



## QUEEN ADELAIDE AT 8.00 P.M. ON 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2009

The meeting commenced at 8.11 p.m.

### Committee Members

Peter (Spyke) Golding - Chairman (& ND)		David Mason (DM) - Vice Chairman	
Steve Armstrong (SA) - Treasurer		Alan Ward (AW) - Membership Secretary	
Steve Westby (SGW) Festival co-ordinator		Ray Kirby (RK) - Social Secretary	
Howard Clark (HC) – Webmaster/Conservation	A	Nigel Johnson (NJ) - Tasting Panel	
Graham Jackson (GJ) – Political Officer	A	Steve Hill (SH) Young Members Rep	
Ian Barber (IB) – Committee member		Andrew C Ludlow (ACL) - Secretary	

In the absence of both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Steve Westby agreed to take the chair, until Spyke arrived.

1. Apologies for Absence and declarations of interest – GJ & HC	ACTN
2. Approval of Minutes and matters arising - The June branch meeting minutes were confirmed as a true record. Matters arising: (i) ACL briefed the meeting on the work that GJ had undertaken with regard to CAMRA's submission to the OFT relating to the pub 'tie'. (ii) RK confirmed that the POE award to the Stag would take place on Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> August 2009.	
3. Questions to Committee – (i) RK was asked to look at providing more socials on a Friday evening. (ii) The meeting was told that the Tourist Office was no longer displaying copies of ND. ACL agreed to look into this matter. (iii) The meeting was told that Chris Watkinson had been taken into Haywood House and that his health was deteriorating. SGW informed the meeting that CAMRA had sent him a selection of beers. (iv) The meeting was advised of a lack of information on the web site relating to the BF. SGW explained that this was due to issues relating to the advance sales of tickets and that the web site would be up and running very soon.	RK ACL
4. Pubs awards/POTY/Club – (i) ACL informed the meeting that the Conservative Club in Hucknall had been selling a cask beer for about nine months and that they were considering joining LocAle. CAMRA members were able to gain admittance to the club by showing their CAMRA membership cards. (ii) The meeting was told that the University was to set up its own brewery for R&D purposes.	
5. Campaigning – (i) SA informed the meeting that he had a supply of CAMRA raffle tickets. (ii) SA stated that the mild trail T-shirts had been printed and were now being issued. There was a short beer break during which time both Spyke and DM joined the meeting.	
6. LocAle – (i) ACL briefed the meeting on new pubs that had joined the scheme and asked that people visiting pubs help 'police' the scheme. He said that consideration was being given to seeking people to become 'friends' of individual pubs – to ensure that they are visited and checked on a regular basis. (ii) RK advised the meeting that the Crown and Mitre in Newark had joined LocAle.	Cmte agenda
7. ND/NGBG – (i) Spyke informed the meeting that he was still trying to improve ND and welcomed comments. He said that in the next edition he would publish some basic information on CAMRA – as not	

everyone was fully aware of what CAMRA or Real Ale was. (ii) The suggestion was made that the public transport section should be returned to the centre pages – as that would make it easier to carry when visiting the pubs. (iii) AW reminded the meeting of the ‘beer walks’.	Spyke
8. Beer Festival (i) SGW informed the meeting that the Beer Festival web site should be live from tomorrow. Advance tickets were now available. He again stressed the need for more volunteers. (ii) Spyke explained that food provision had been improved and that he was optimistic that a special beer festival T-shirt would be available. (iii) RK reminded the meeting of the Grantham BF – see ND.	
9. Pub News – (i) Portland Arms – new manager (ii) Chestnut Tree – landlord leaving (SA) (iii) Fox & Crown, Carlton up for sale (IB) (iv) Last Post, Beeston – new manager (Andy Heath) (v) Roebuck – new manager (Andy Heath)	
11. AOB – Spyke informed the meeting that he had met with NCT and it was intended that a new ‘beer by buss’ guide would be produced in time for the BF.	
The meeting finished at 9.39pm.	

At the conclusion of the meeting a picture quiz took place.

35 Attendees.  
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