



ROBIN HOOD, SHERWOOD AT 8.00 P.M. ON 25TH JUNE 2009

The meeting commenced at 8.14 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	Nigel Johnson (NJ) - Tasting Panel	A
Graham Jackson (GJ) – Political Officer	Steve Hill (SH) Young Members Rep	
Ian Barber (IB) – Committee member	Andrew C Ludlow (ACL) - Secretary	

Spyke opened the meeting and informed the branch that at the conclusion there would be a guest speaker – Andrew Crawford, Pub People Company.

1. Apologies for Absence and declarations of interest – NJ; Jill Kerry and Terry Bissett	ACTN
2. Approval of Minutes and matters arising - The May branch meeting minutes were confirmed as a true record. There were no matters arising.	
3. Questions to Committee – There were no questions to members of the committee. David Thornhill raised a general question relating to an article in Private Eye that suggested that CAMRA’s actions in using their ‘Super complaint status’ may have played into the hands of pub co’s, who were worried about a possible monopolies commission investigation. After a lively discussion it was agreed that GJ would pursue this matter and contact local MP’s if appropriate.	GJ
4. Pubs awards/POTY/Club – The meeting heard comments for the nominated pubs and a vote was taken. The Stag at Kimberley received more votes than the other three nominations put together. A date for the presentation would be arranged.	RK
5. Campaigning – (i) Pubs Week – AW informed the meeting that the 3 Mapperley pubs would be selling Mapperley Gold during the week 4-12 th July and pub events had been planned. Spyke thanked AW for his determination in ensuring that there was a local event for Pubs week. (ii) AW reminded the meeting that there was a pub walk on 11 th July – see ND for details.	
6. LocAle – (i) ACL briefed the meeting on the scheme – now 109 pubs. He encouraged members to provide feedback on pubs when completing the NGBG survey score lists. (ii) The meeting noted that The Castle Inn; Rose of England; Queens Head, Marlpool and The Willowbrook Club, Carlton had joined LocAle.	
7. ND/NGBG – (i) SH informed the meeting that he had visited the Dunkirk recently and they had expressed an interest in advertising in ND.	Spyke
8. Beer Festival (i) SGW briefed the branch on the BF. He again reminded the branch of the need for more volunteers and specifically for helpers for the wine and the cider areas. (ii) SGW invited all to attend an open meeting on 9 th July at the Canal House at 8.00 pm.	
9. Pub News – (i) Three Tuns, Eastwood shut (ii) Red Lion, Alfreton Road hope to increase range of real ales and have a LocAle (SH) (iii) Royal Oak, RoT, shut for refurb (Julian)	

(iv) Magpie Brewery night on 1 st Wednesday in July at the Globe	
(v) Blue Bell, Nottingham re-opened with Hobgoblin at £3.20 a pint (RK)	
(vi) Yates Wine Lodge has two handpulls (W&Y Bombardier and 'Yates' – when available) (RK)	
(vii) Red Cow, Sneinton demolished.	
11. AOB – Mild Trail – SA most successful ever with 165 entries. Comments both positive and negative to SA/DM/RK.	
The meeting finished at 9.31pm.	

At the conclusion of the meeting Andrew Crawford gave a powerful and insightful presentation on pub co's and the impact that they were having on pubs.

37 Attendees.

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