



# Nottingham CAMRA



## BRANCH MEETING: MINUTES

### THE DEUX: 8.00 P.M. ON 27TH NOVEMBER 2008

The meeting commenced at 8.15 p.m.

#### Committee Members

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

Spyke opened the meeting and advised the branch that at the conclusion of the meeting he intended introducing a new game 'The weakest drink' and that he was seeking 8 volunteers to take part.

1. Apologies for Absence – SGW	ACTN
2. Approval of Minutes and matters arising - The October branch meeting minutes were confirmed as a true record. There were no matters arising.	
3. Questions to Committee – Spyke explained that in future rather than have branch reports this was an opportunity to question members of the committee.	
4 Pubs awards/POTY/Club – (i)DM invited nominations for the 2009 POTY. He also sought volunteers to assist in the judging. (ii) Spyke asked for nominations for Club of the Year.	
5. Stout and Porter stroll/Mild trail – RK confirmed that the next Stout and Porter Stroll would take place in March and he asked for details of pubs which would like to participate.	
6. Campaigning – (i) Spyke – briefed the meeting on the situations at Middletons and referred to issues at FMC (which was no longer a Great Northern pub). (ii) Spyke referred to the closure of the Windsor Castle in 2010 as GK was selling the land to Tesco's. He explained that locally this would be opposed.	
7 LocAle – (i)Spyke informed the meeting that three pubs had joined the scheme since the last meeting. (ii) New Brewery lists for pubs were issued along with locAle beer mats. (ii) The meeting was told that The Grove wished to join.	ACL
8. ND/NGBG – (i) Spyke advised that the next edition of ND was available at the meeting and that currently advertising costs covered the printing costs. (ii) NJ provided details of scores pubs had received for the NGBG. He explained that there was an urgent need to survey pubs outside the City boundaries. (iii) RK explained that it had been agreed to adopt new boundaries for entries based on the City and four quadrants (iii) SA- New NGBG's were available at the meeting for £10.	
9. Pub News – (i) Woodthorpe Top (Wetherspoons) now open (Spyke) (ii) Plainsman to open 11 <sup>th</sup> December (Spyke) (iii) FMC still doing 20 p CAMRA discount (RK) (iv) Larks Nest, Nuthall available freehold (NJ) (v) Plough, Radford, landlord left (RK)	

(vi) Three Horseshoes, Beeston available freehold (Glenn)	
(vii) Duke of Cambridge, lease available (SA)	
(viii) Portland Arms ' lease available June 2009 (RK)	
10. Branch three aims - noted	
11. AOB – none	
The meeting finished at 9.20pm.	

At the conclusion of the meeting Spyke presented the first ever 'Weakest Drink' competition

29 Attendees.

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