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THE 4th

ALFRETON



Brewers Society, lapdog of the big brewers, spent over £6-million on a scare advert campaign to block MMC recommendations to limit pub ownership. Where did that money come from? You and me - the drinker.

Many pubs are being turned into restaurants, disco-style funpubs or American-style bars. Where does the money come from? You and me.

Enjoy this real ale festival. Better still, join CAMRA and help keep the one thing which makes any beer festival possible - REAL ALE.

In the year since the last Alfreton Festival, Derby CAMRA has increased its commitment to campaigning issues.

Derby CAMRA, although it runs enjoyable events like pub socials, real ale trips and (of course) Beer Festivals, is far more than a beer-drinking club.

As part of a national consumer group, Derby branch of CAMRA does its best to retain our drinking heritage - real British Ale.

When CAMRA was first formed in the 1970's, Britain was in danger of drowning in a flood of fizzy keg beer. Tasteless, bland and dead before it hit your glass.

The great traditional beers of Britain were on the verge of extinction. The young CAMRA turned back that tide - but the battle is not yet over. Indeed, it may never be over.

As you sample the range of beers at this festival, enjoying their different tastes, strengths and characters; or when you drink real ale in your own local pub, think about this.

Big breweries are still trying to standardise beer. They have taken over and closed down many small regional breweries over the years, and in the last couple of years takeovers have accelerated. The

THE BREWERIES

BATEMANS

Batemans XXXB ABV 4.8% OG 1048
Fiercely independent, Batemans of Wainfleet produce some of Britain's finest ales. Their Windmill Brewery, set in the misty fens, recently fought off a takeover bid masterminded by part of the family, and so we are able to bring you the famous, glorious XXXB at this festival.

SARAH HUGHES

Sarah Hughes Dark Ruby OG 1058
A beautiful traditional brewery set up at the Beacon Hotel, Sedgely, Nr. Dudley. Well worth a visit for both pub and brewery. A deep, dark colour with a glowing ruby heart; smooth, warm flavour and the kick of a strong ale.

BROUGHTON

Merlin's Ale OG 1044
Old Jock ABV 6.7% OG 1070
Based in Broughton, Peebleshire. Set up in 1980 by former Scottish and Newcastle exec. David Younger, the brewery has some 200 outlets in Scotland. Aptly-named Merlin's Ale is magical, and Old Jock usually comes in bottles, with occasional forays into draught.

BRAINS

Brains SA ABV 4.2% OG 1042
Established in 1713, this Cardiff brewery is as much a part of Wales as Rugby Union. Good value, distinctive beers are served in all 128 pubs. The S.A. is a full-bodied, malty bitter.

BULLMASTIFF

Son of a Birch ABV 6.2% OG 1062
Another Welsh wonder, this time from Penarth, a seaside town in South Glamorgan. Bullmastiff was set up in late 1987 by a fanatical homebrewer and now supplies some 20 outlets in S.E. Wales. Son of a Birch is a rich, sweetish strong ale, so go steady!

BURTON BRIDGE

Burton Bridge Bitter ABV 4.2% OG 1042
Burton Bridge Porter ABV 4.5% OG 1045
Situated, rather obviously, on the bridge at Burton-on-Trent, this tiny two-man brewery must be one of the great success stories in independent brewing this decade. Burton Bridge brews excellent, traditional beers, and we offer two from their range. We strongly recommend both, but do try the Porter before it all gets supped!

BURTONWOOD

Burtonwood Bitter ABV 3.2% OG 1036
A family brewery hailing from Warrington with 282 scattered pubs including several in North Wales. 242 of the pubs offer real ale, but beware of some few which still sell keg through handpumps (naughty!). Burtonwood Bitter is a pleasantly light, creamy beer; ideal for lunchtime supping.

BURTS

Burts VPA OG 1040
One of Britain's most remarkable breweries, this Ventnor, Isle of Wight survivor has only 11 pubs, nine of which serve real ale. VPA is a hoppy, distinctive bitter.

COURAGE

Courage Directors ABV 4.8% OG 1046
Part of the giant Oz brewers Elders IXL, Courage has been used as a catapult to shoot the disgusting Fosters lager into our pubs. Still, Courage Directors is a full-bodied and distinctive brew, which is more than can be said for the thin and fizzy so-called 'amber nectar'.

FEDERATION

Federation Special ABV 4.0% OG 1041
A co-operative founded in 1919 which expanded to supply pubs and clubs, this Dunston, Tyne and Wear brewery resumed brewing cask-conditioned ale in 1986. Special is their premium ale - lightly coloured and delicately hopped.

FULLERS

ESB ABV 5.5% OG 1055
One of only two independent breweries in London to survive the takeovers of the sixties, Fullers has won more awards at CAMRA's Great British Beer Festival than any other brewery. Based in Chiswick, the brewery serves real ale in all but nine of its 145 tied houses. ESB stands for Extra Special Bitter - no idle boast!

GLENNY

Hobgoblin ABV 6.5% OG 1055
Based in Witney, Oxon. Set up in 1983 in part of the old Clinch's brewery, Glenny now have their own premises, from which they supply roughly 70 free trade outlets. Hobgoblin, despite its name, is unlikely to turn you into a frog, but the ruby-red, dry, strong ale is well worth trying.

HARTLEYS

Fell Runner ABV 3.3% OG 1035
Hails from Ulverston, Cumbria, amid the lakes. Hartleys was taken over by Robinsons of Stockport in 1982, but still brews for its own 57 pubs.

HARVIESTOUN

Harviestoun 80/- ABV 4.0% OG 1040

One of Scotland's few remaining small breweries, operating from Dollar, Clackmannanshire near Stirling. Serves 15 outlets in Central Scotland, and beer is also available by the pint from the brewery - and from Alfreton Beer Festival! 80/- is a surprisingly pale, full-bodied beer.

HERITAGE

Heritage Bitter ABV 3.5% OG 1045
Thomas Sykes' Ale ABV 10.0% OG 1105
 Based in Burton, this is the brewing company of the Heritage Brewery Museum - well worth a visit. Beware of the Thomas Sykes' Ale - with an OG of 1105 it is definitely a beer to treat with respect.

HOLDENS

Holdens Stout ABV 3.5% OG 1036
 One of the long-established family breweries of the Black Country, based in Woodsetton, Dudley, Holden produce a good range of real ales in their 18 tied houses and for over 100 free trade

customers.

IND COOPE

Burton Ale ABV 4.4% OG 1047
 Part of the massive Allied group, Ind Coope have come under fire recently for phasing out the delightful Bitter. So we can only offer you one beer - but when it's on form, it's a good one.

MANSFIELD

Riding Bitter ABV 3.6% OG 1037
Riding Dark Mild ABV 3.5% OG 1035
 Mansfield, once committed entirely to keg beers, now brew some good 'uns. Riding Bitter is a light, tasty session beer, and the Mild is good too.

MARSTONS

Burton Bitter ABV 3.6% OG 1037
 Currently under fire for their obsession with turning perfectly good pubs into irradiation centres for frozen food (restaurants, they keep telling us), Marstons should stick to what they do best - brewing good beer. How long they can keep their heads above the flooding waters of Whitbread, now with a large stake in Marstons, we don't know. But we are trying to find out.

MOLE'S

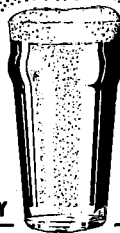
Mole's Bitter ABV 3.9% OG 1040
 Established in 1982 by a former Usher's brewer, who called his new venture by his own nickname. Based in Melksham, Wiltshire, and now serving around 50 outlets in the Wilts/Avon area plus one tied house. The bitter is light and hoppy.

NORTH & EAST RIDING BREWERS

William Clark's Thistle Bitter OG 1040
 A family-run independent from Scarborough, set up behind a Victorian hotel to brew Scottish-type beers for the hotel's Highlander bar. The beers are now finding their way into a widespread free trade.



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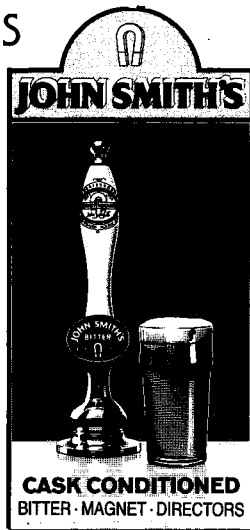


**RIDING
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 SUPERB BEER FROM MANSFIELD BREWERY

JOHN SMITHS

Magnet 4% 1039

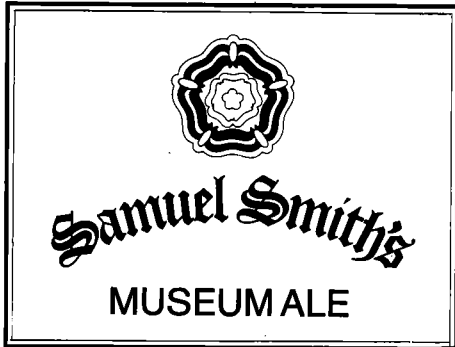
An extensively modernised brewery based in Tadcaster, JS re-introduced cask conditioned beer in 1984; Magnet is the latest in this line and fits nicely in between Bitter and Directors.



SAM SMITHS

Museum Ale ABV 5.2% OG 1047

Also based in Tadcaster, in fact enfolded by the massive John Smiths brewery, Samuel Smith is Yorkshire's oldest and most traditional brewery which brews ales containing no adjuncts. Still using wooden casks, the brewery operates the only brewery-based cooperage in the UK. Museum Ale is delightful - rich, full-flavoured and warming.



ORKNEY

Raven Ale ABV 4.0% OG 1040

The Orkneys have gained their first brewery in living memory - set up in 1988 by a former licensee, Roger White. A real ale addict, he had to brew keg "to appease the local palate" but hopes to entice the islanders onto the real thing soon. We've got the real stuff!

TIMOTHY TAYLOR

Landlord ABV 4.3% OG 1042

An old-established Keighley brewery, said by some to brew one of the finest beers in the country. The fame of their Championship ales has spread far and wide, and the incredible Landlord is the pride of their range. Try it before the Beer Festival committee snaffles the lot!

THEAKSTON

Old Peculier ABV 5.1% OG 1058

Masham, North Yorks. This Yorkshire Dales brewery of great antiquity is now sadly in the iron grip of Scottish and Newcastle. Old Peculier (spelt like that) sprang to fame in the real ale revival, and is a rich, heavy beer.

DAVENPORT

Davenport Mild ABV 3.2% OG 1035

The name no longer means beer at home, in fact, it no longer means Davenports because it has been swallowed by ghastly octopus Greenall Whitley. Still, the mild is dark, smooth and not too heady.

TRAQUAIR HOUSE

Bear Ale OG 1050

Another one from Peebleshire, this time the Borders town of Innerleithen. An 18th-century brewery in an ancient fortified manor house, revived by the Laird of Traquair in 1965. Bear Ale is a good, strong ale, brewed for the free trade.

ULEY

Old Spot ABV 5.0% OG 1050

Based in Dursley, Glos. A Victorian village brewery, re-opened in 1985 to serve the free trade in Gloucestershire and neighbouring counties. Old Spot (named after the famous breed of pig) is a smooth, malty ale.



THE BIER OF THE FESTIVALS

OG 1052 ABV 5.5%

It's hardly surprising that Real Beer enthusiasts are no longer amazed to see FÜRSTENBERG LAGER at CAMRA sponsored events.

After coming to prominence in the 1988 Great British Beer Festival, Furstenberg has gone on to feature most successfully at countless Beer Festivals from Edinburgh to Bolton before returning to Leeds for the 1989 Great British Beer Festival. In total over 30,000 satisfied customers have quenched their thirsts on Fürstenberg during these festivals!

"PURE SATISFACTION!"

As you may know, the Reinheitsgebot (German Purity Laws) decree that only hops, malt, water and yeast are used in

brewing German Bier. Fürstenberg go one step further and guarantee the water itself is pure! In these times of industrial pollution, a supply of pure water for brewing is becoming increasingly important.

An independent analysis from the Chemistry Lab of Stirling University found that Furstenberg was completely uncontaminated by trace metals, PCB's, pesticide residues or industrial waste. Indeed, we are delighted to report that the analyst went on to further state that Fürstenberg "contained fewer impurities than tap water"!

Bismark's personal doctor, Professor Schweningen, presumably with regard for his patient's health, called Fürstenberg "The Beer of Beers". Today, a century later, we are proud to say that there have been no reasons why this statement is any less true.

It is worth quoting from Fürstenberg's Head Brewer who often reminds us "It is not so much what goes into a brew which makes a Great Bier, more what is left out"!

ENTERTAINMENT

Popularity is the keynote for this year's Festival entertainment programme. Two great bands will play for you, the amazing R. Cajun and the Zydeco Brothers on Friday evening and Rogues Gallery on Saturday.

Two contrasts - two entertaining bands, Rogues Gallery stick to traditional folk, but add their own inimitable style and harmonies to the genre. Ever-popular at Derby Beer Festival, Rogues Gallery are sure to get toes tapping, legs dancing and voices joining in all over the hall with a mix of keyboards, fiddle, melodeon and various other musical instruments, some quite weird and wonderful!

R. Cajun give no quarter. Described as Britain's greatest cajun band, and local, too! they are the first ever band, apart

from the Umpah band, to get the whole of Derby Beer Festival dancing at the same time. Undeniably loud, frenetic and beaty, their music has roots in the Deep South swamplands of America, but is anything but wet. Louisiana here we come!

The Folk Band, Rogues Gallery ▽



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Derby branch of CAMRA run weekly social evenings in pubs around the area. We have regular meetings to discuss branch policy and campaigning issues - and the meetings are good fun, lively, interesting and held (naturally) in good pubs!

Our social secretary arranges trips to other areas, sometimes over a full weekend. In fact, there's never a dull moment!

Years ago, when CAMRA had only 2,000 members in the UK, we were derided as cranks. Now, with 20,000 members, CAMRA is hailed as the most successful consumer group ever - and we are still growing.

Join our success. Join our fight. You'll be made very welcome, be able to work for something in which you believe and have a heck of a good time doing it!



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