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Branch Meeting & Social - Derby Rowing Club, Darley Grove, Derby - Thursday 11th February.

The February Branch Meeting will be held at the Derby Rowing Club on Darley Grove near the entrance to Darley Park where a range of Guest Beers will be on offer.

The Rowing Club itself lies on the banks of the River Derwent and is quite easy to find being just along the river path from the Furnace pub on Duke Street with the entrance door being on the side of the building as you approach. The meeting will be held in the upstairs bar and club area beginning at 8pm and the agenda is printed elsewhere in M&B.

So why not join us at the Rowing Club as it's always a pleasure to have a Branch Meeting there with its pleasant riverside setting. For further information *contact the Branch Secretary, Ian Forman on 01332 882996 or e-mail: ianforman@btinternet.com*



Derby Branch Pubs of the Year - Selection Time



The February Branch Meeting at the Derby Rowing Club will see the Branch Pubs of the Year short-listed and once again there will be a City and Country Pub of the Year Award with one overall Branch Pub of the Year Award from the two winners.

Last year saw the **Old Oak Inn at Horsley Woodhouse** take the overall award and the **Royal Standard in Derby** the City award and this year's contest is sure to be as keenly fought.

The Branch Committee has reviewed the POTY selection procedure and amended it as follows:-

- 1) Long List to be created from top 100 pubs according to NBSS scores (attached and available at the meeting).
- 2) A Short List finalised by branch members choosing 5 city and 5 country pubs from Long List at February Branch Meeting. (Branch Committee cannot vote).
- 3) Branch Committee then judge Short List based on re-weighted National Camra Scoring System.

If you can't make the meeting but would still like to register your votes then please contact *the Branch Secretary, Ian Forman on 01332 882996 or e-mail: ianforman@btinternet.com* before the meeting starts.

East Midlands Regional Meeting - Gainsborough

The next East Midlands Regional Meeting will be held on **Saturday 27th February at 12 noon in the Eight Jolly Brewers, Gainsborough** and Branch members are encouraged to attend.

The meetings themselves are held every few months and represent a chance for all the CAMRA Branches in the East Midlands region to get together and discuss policies and ideas at the Regional level instead of just the Branch level.

The day itself is not just about CAMRA business though but represents a chance to socialise with fellow members from around the region. For any further information *contact the Regional Director, Julian Tubbs on 07962 267743 or e-mail RD.EastMidlands@camra.org.uk*

Derby Winter-Fest Wrap-Up Meeting



This will take place on **Monday 22nd February at 7:30pm in the Brunswick, Derby.** If you have any items of information/comments/observations on the Festival then please forward them to the Winter Beer Festival Secretary, Joyce Sawford joyce.sawford@ntlworld.com by Wednesday 17th February 2010 please.

Derby Winter-Fest Workers Trip

A reward trip has been organised for all those of you who helped out at this year's Derby Winter Beer Festival. This will take place on **Saturday 13th March 2010.**

The trip will begin at Derwent Street, Council House in Derby at 11:30am and take in the Barley Mow, Kirk Ireton, the Yew Tree Inn at Caudon (for lunch), the Black Lion at Consall, the Wilkes Head at Leek and the Green Man Royal Hotel in Ashbourne, arriving back at Derwent St, Derby at 11pm. If you haven't already put your name down for it then please **contact the Staffing Manager, Janette Edge on 01332 347601 or e-mail:- winterstaffing@derbycamra.org.uk**

Branch Annual General Meeting - Advance Notice

The Derby CAMRA Annual General Meeting will take place on **Thursday 22nd April** in the rear Function Room of the Flowerpot pub on King Street in Derby. It will begin at approx. 8pm.

The evening will include the election of the new Committee, presentation of Branch Accounts and



handing out of Branch Awards. Any current member can stand for any committee post but nominations must be in the hands of the **Secretary, Ian Forman on 01332 882996 or e-mail: ianforman@btinternet.com** prior to the start of the AGM. There are up to nine posts in total - Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and 6 Committee Posts.

Current Chairman, Dan Cramp has indicated he is standing down as is Stewart Marshall from the Committee so there will be a few posts that need filling at the AGM. If you are interested then please come forward and volunteer. No experience is necessary just a willingness to get involved. If you would like to know what it entails then just contact any current Committee member for an informal chat.

Membership - Are you Up-to-Date?

Have you checked your personal membership details recently on the National website? It's very easy to do. Visit www.camra.org.uk and log in. Your login name is your membership number, without any leading zeros. Your password is your postcode, without the space, so DE95 9EX becomes DE959EX.

Check your date of birth. If you are approaching or over 60 and pay by annual direct debit, and we do not have your date of birth on record, you will be charged the full subscription instead of the reduced concessionary rate. If it is on record, the adjustment will be made automatically when the time comes. So, do it now while you're reading this, even if you're only 27, and no longer receive the young person's discount!

If you have any membership queries, please contact **Konrad Machej on 01773 827281 or 07976 749671 or konradmachej@yahoo.co.uk**. Alternatively if you are an Amber Valley Member then you could have a word with Gus Manning on **07734 084083 or gusinthepub@yahoo.co.uk**

Derby Branch Social Secretary Wanted

Derby CAMRA is actively seeking a new Branch Social Secretary as Simon Tankard has given up the job after a brief stay at the helm. We therefore require anyone who is interested in this role to come forward and volunteer. The Social Secretary is responsible for organising Branch Social events and trips.

If you would like any further information on this job or would like to volunteer then please contact **the Branch Secretary, Ian Forman on 01332 882996 or e-mail: ianforman@btinternet.com**

Derby January 2010 Pub Survey Report

February Surveys

Willington, Hilton & Boylestone by minibus – Friday 12th February

- Cherry Tree Farm, Willington (arr. 19:20, dep. 19:50)
- Green Man, Willington (arr. 20:00, dep. 20:40)
- Old Talbot, Hilton (arr. 20:55, dep. 21:35)
- Rose & Crown, Boylestone (arr. 21:55, dep. 23:00)

To join this free mini-bus survey, please contact Stewart Marshall on 07944 163737 or beersurvey@derbycamra.org.uk to reserve your seat. The mini-bus will depart at 19:00 from the X3 bus stop on Full Street, Derby and aims to return back to Derby by 23:45.

GBG 2011 Selection Meeting, Falstaff – Monday 15th February

This meeting will take place in the lounge of the Falstaff, starting at 8pm. The final selection of pubs from the Derby Branch, for entry in the 2011 Good Beer Guide will be made at this meeting, open to all members.

Good Beer Guide 2011 Candidates

At the GBG selection meeting held on 17th November at the Falstaff, the following candidates were selected (shown in alphabetical order by place name):

Green Man & Black's Head, Ashbourne, Smith's Tavern, Ashbourne, Rose & Crown, Boylestone, Olde Gate Inne, Brassington, Bell & Harp, Coxbench, Alexandra Inn, Derby, Babington Arms, Derby, Brunswick Inn, Derby, Crompton Tavern, Derby, Exeter Arms, Derby, Falstaff Tavern, Derby, Flowerpot, Derby, Horse & Groom, Derby, Metro Bar, Derby, Mr Grundy's Tavern, Derby, Old Silk Mill, Derby, Peacock Inn, Derby, Rowditch Inn, Derby, Royal Standard, Derby, Smithfield, Derby, Standing Order, Derby, Station Inn, Derby, Thomas Leaper, Derby, Ye Olde Dolphin Inne, Derby, Hawk & Buckle, Etwall, Coach & Horses Inn, Fenny Bentley, Old Talbot, Hilton, Old Oak Inn, Horsley Woodhouse, John Thompson Inn, Ingleby, Barley Mow, Kirk Ireton, Alma Inn, Melbourne, Blue Bell Inn, Melbourne, Royal Oak, Ockbrook, Sycamore Inn, Parwich, Bull's Head, Repton, Malt Shovel Inn, Shardlow, Shakespeare Inn, Shardlow, Bell, Smalley, Malt Shovel Inn, Spondon, White Post Inn, Stanley, Common, Harrington Arms, Thulston, Cherry Tree Farm, Willington, Green Man, Willington, Hope & Anchor, Wirksworth, Royal Oak, Wirksworth.

Remember, these pubs are only candidates. There is no guarantee at this stage that a pub will actually make it into the Guide. Of these 45 pubs, about 26 will be chosen at the selection meeting on 15th February for entry into the 2011 GBG. Please make a concerted effort to submit surveys for these candidates before the meeting, especially those pubs outside Derby City Centre.

Survey Trip Organizer required

The job of Pub Surveys Officer has several roles:

- Organise Pub Surveys,
- Collect Pub Survey Data
- Organise selection of pubs for the GBG
- Organise and edit pub entries in the GBG

When the GBG 2011 has been put to bed at the end of February 2010, your current Pub Surveys Officer will be taking a sabbatical. It is vital that one or more members take on this role of organising pub surveys. Without it, it is doubtful whether enough pub surveys would be carried out to produce a set of data useful enough for selecting entries for the GBG.

A brief description of the role is to organise pub surveys in the Derby Branch area by a variety of transport methods including walking, cycling, public transport and minibus. These surveys need to be planned about two months in advance to allow enough time for them to be published in Mild & Bitter,

Derby Drinker, What's Brewing and the Derby CAMRA website. Any changes or new information about the pubs visited and the beers surveyed need to be returned to the Pub Surveys Officer.

If you are interested in this role, please contact Stewart Marshall or any committee member.

How to Submit Surveys

Remember that surveying for the Good Beer Guide is not confined to organised survey trips. It should be carried out by any CAMRA member when they visit a pub.

The preferred method of submitting surveys is via the Nation Beer Scoring System website. You can also submit surveys on behalf of other CAMRA members. Go to <http://www.beerscoring.org.uk>

CAMRA ID: your CAMRA membership number without leading zeros.

Password: same as that used on the National CAMRA website, default is your postcode in uppercase without spaces. A printable survey sheet can be downloaded from the Derby CAMRA website: <http://www.derbycamra.org.uk/documents/Survey%20Forms.pdf>

Paper surveys for the Branch Area can be given to me at branch meetings or sent to me in the post.

Contact Details

Stewart Marshall, 07944 163737, beersurvey@derbycamra.org.uk, 64 Dale Rd, Derby, DE23 6QW.

New Derby Drinker

Will all distributors please note that the new edition of Derby Drinker should be ready for collection from your usual supplier right now.

Also, if you know you are unable to do yours this time then please give *the Distribution Manager, Joy Olivent a ring on 07766 306985* so that an alternative distributor can be arranged, otherwise copies will be left lying around for weeks and their publicity potential lost, costing the Branch money.

Derby CAMRA's e-group

Derby CAMRA has an e-group service and it's only open to members of CAMRA. Its purpose is to augment the information about real ale, pubs and consumer rights in the Derby area beyond what is already in Derby Drinker and Mild & Bitter. It also sends you reminder e-mails of upcoming events a few days beforehand.

You can communicate with all the members of the group by sending to a single email address and will receive all replies made by other members of the group. For that reason it is important to join if you are at all interested and it is also important that you stick to the subject and remain polite. Although small the previous group regularly circulated information about pubs, beer and beer festivals. If you want to join please send an email to derbycamra-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

You will then receive an e-mail from Yahoo asking you to confirm your request to join. Once you have done this an e-mail will be sent to the moderator, Julian Tubbs to confirm who you are. If he doesn't know who you are he might ask for your CAMRA membership number before accepting your membership to the group.

Derby Branch Meeting held at the Station Inn, Derby on Thursday 14th Jan 2010

Present. 40

Apologies. Konrad Machej (report received), Julian Tubbs (report received), Bill Dudley.

Mins of Last Meeting. As published. Accepted as a true record.

Matters Arising. None.

Officers' Reports

Chair. Michael Edwin of Black Horse Hulland had died. Margaret Clissold, wife of former chair Ivor had died. Both families to be sent condolences from the branch.

Treasurer. Jok had prepared a report. £500 to go to HQ for Office of fair trading campaign to appeal decision. Accounts ready for scrutiny by members at meeting. We had spent a lot more this year.

A good financial year.

Other reports

Winter festival. Ralf told members that all was in place apart from the staffing which was worrying him and his committee. Publicity pub crawl imminent with Telegraph coverage Tues 19th at 7pm.

Summer Report. Deposit paid. New Treasurer in place. Will try to open all day during the festival in the Darwin at least. This will be subject staffing. Several questions were asked about the efficacy of this policy.

Derby Drinker. Was on schedule. Software problems had been resolved. New stands have been ordered but had not arrived. Issue pretty much full so Pip asked for any important news to him ASAP especially BLO info.

GBG and Surveys. All GBGs sold save for 12 passed over to winter festival.

Surveys. As published in M&B. Still need a coordinator for surveys (advertised in M&B)

Final GBG selection on Mon 15th Feb venue TBA. Feb minibus survey Willington to Boylestone will be last one organised by Stewart. Write-ups in process (by end of Jan).

Pub Of The Year Competition. Dan had decided to postpone the POTY competition until the next meeting to give members more time to look at the contenders.

Membership. Konrad had sent a report in his absence. Movement this month - we have lost 7 members, of whom 5 are lapsed and I shall be sending them a reminder. We have gained one member moving in from another branch but, above all, we have 25 new members, an overall gain of 17. I shall write to the new members as well. Our membership rose by 307 last year, more than outnumbering the 280 we lost to Amber Valley when it was set up. Our total membership now stands at 1446.

M&B. New format had not happened in the New Year but was imminent.

Pubs Officer. Mild month being sorted. Pubwatch article had been published in Telegraph which had been supplied by Julian Tubbs using data sent to HQ in annual pub closure survey. City council to be lobbied to stop pubs change of use.

Sales. Tee shirts for winter festival on sale.

Amber Valley. No one at meeting and no report received.

Website. Steve Crispin had stepped down as webmaster and Dan had taken over for the short term. Ian Phillips to take up the job shortly.

Information Exchange. Bass will be delisting 9 gal casks from 1st March. New measure will be 10 gal. Coors launching 40 barrel brewery in the old Bass museum. Will be solely real ale. George on Midland Rd and Five Lamps closed. Kensington up for lease? Odd opening hours. M&B AGM trying to replace non exec director? Mr Grundy meet the brewer nights 5th Feb and 5th March at 8pm. Committee mins available. Diary as per M&B. Simon Tankard had stepped down as social secretary. Volunteer required.

AOB. Osnabruk trip. Position of Envoy is rumoured to be dropped by City Council. Les Baynton, our Beer King, is not able to go this year. Mid May dates. He urged members to go.

Coach to go to Shrovetide on the 16th Feb. ABC tour. One crawl leader needed.

Terry Morton was to propose a motion at the AGM to stop advertising on the front page of DD concentrating on campaigning. He showed examples of other publications. He heaped praise on DD but wanted the current practise to stop. A short discussion ensued.

A question was asked about how a sub branch became a branch. Three year period with approval of RD.

Meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Derby Branch Meeting Agenda

1. Pub of the Year.
2. Apologies.
3. Minutes of the last meeting.
4. Matters arising.
5. Officers' reports - Chair, Secretary, Treasurer.
6. Other reports - Beer Festivals, Campaigning, Derby Drinker, Good Beer Guide & Surveys, LocAle inc Liaison Officers, Membership, Mild & Bitter, Pubs Officer, Publications, Pub Preservation, Regional, Sales, Sub-Branch, Tasting Panel, Transport, Website, Etc
7. Information exchange - Pub, Brewery and Technical
8. Committee Meeting Report Back.
9. Diary - Meetings, Socials, Trips and Events.
10. Any other business (give notice to Chair prior to meeting commencing meeting).

VALLEY VIEW

News from the Amber Valley Sub-Branch

AMBER VALLEY SUB-BRANCH NEXT MEETING



The next Amber Valley Sub-Branch Meeting will take place on **Thursday 25th February** in the **Tavern, Derby Road, Belper** and all interested members in the region are encouraged to attend. It will begin at approx. 8.30pm.

The area the Sub Branch covers includes: DE5, DE55 1, DE55 4, DE55 7 and DE56. For further information contact *the Chairman, Pete Hounsell on 07830 308533 or the Social Secretary, Nathan Dilley on 01773 570675*

THORN TREE, WAINGROVES RE-OPENS

On a January Saturday, when the mercury struggled to reach zero degrees centigrade, I paid a visit to the Thorn Tree Inn, Waingroves, now free of tie following Chris Buxton's acquisition. A roaring fire and many familiar faces that were recognisable from the Old Oak's RuRad bar greeted me.

The dog friendly, Church Street pub is managed by another Chris-Keighley, whose main responsibility is to ensure that the five-handpulled beers are kept in pristine condition. The ever-reliable Oakham Bishop Farewell lined up alongside Bees Knees, Light Oak and Mild, all from Woodlands, the Cheshire brewery. Bottlebrook Roadrunner was the local representative from nearby Denby, and traditional cider drinkers are catered for with Janet's Jungle Juice. I understand that the beer range will be subject to constant change. Internally, Brewer's Tudor is evident and there is a rear bar come function room, all of which creates a welcoming ambience during the opening hours of 5-11 weekdays and 12-11 weekends.

In the neighboring parish of Codnor, The Codnor Inn on Jessop Street is open again as previously reported, and with the Thorn Tree and the Good Beer Guide listed Poet and Castle in close proximity there is the prospect of an excellent pub-crawl that, not long ago, would have been unimaginable. An April Fools Day walkabout is scheduled to coincide with National Cask Ale Week

RECORD ATTENDANCE

January's branch meeting at the newly refurbished Talbot Taphouse, Ripley saw our highest attendance to date, with some thirty members present including some of our Derby branch friends. Thanks go to the Brett family for the cracking ale and sandwiches served up in the Amber Ales brewery tap.

PUB NEWS

CAMRA has launched a national scheme for licensees serving discounted real ale to card carrying CAMRA members, and the following Amber Valley pubs oblige: George and Dragon, Belper, Talbot Taphouse and George, both in Ripley. I understand that the Lion Hotel in Belper no longer offers this facility. The Seven Stars, Openwoodgate and the Strutt Arms, Milford have reopened, the latter serving Draught Bass and Pedigree.

EVENTS

Saturday, 20th February 7pm, free bus trip surveying pubs that are in contention for 2011 Good Beer Guide nomination. Bus departs Ripley Market Place but if you wish to board at Alfreton or Belper, *please ring Nathan on 01773 570675*.

Thursday, 25th February 8.30pm, branch meeting at the Tavern, Derby Road, Belper (pictured).

MINUTES OF THE AMBER VALLEY CAMRA MEETING AT THE TALBOT TAPHOUSE, RIPLEY ON 28TH JANUARY 2010

The meeting started at 830pm with 30 attendees and **apologies for absence** from Chris Wilbraham, Nathan and Alison.

Minutes of last meeting Accepted as a true record.

Matters arising None.

Committee reports Pete and Paul had nothing to report, whilst Gus was absent. Charisma announced free survey trips on Saturday, 20th February to "borderline" GBG pubs and on the 19th March to Shottle, Windley and Turnditch. April's would visit Somercotes and Leabrooks.

Price Surveys Paul handed out forms and asked members to return them to him at February's branch meeting.

Amber Valley Beer Festival Paul suggested that we consider synchronizing with the grand opening of the Ecclesbourne Valley Railway (Duffield to Wirksworth) in April 2011. A festival at Duffield station could be hugely popular with the dual attractions of beer and a newly opened railway. It would doubtless draw people from the neighboring city of Derby. Bob Bramson felt that there could be parking difficulties but Paul countered this by saying that few would wish to attend by car. Kath Lomas said, alternatively, that the Midland Railway centre at Butterley could be a potential venue. Paul will write to EVRA and the Midland to ask them as a matter of principle whether they would entertain a festival where we could reciprocate their hospitality with a donation from any profit we made. The Amber Valley committee to meet soon to discuss this important issue.

Good Beer Guide Selection Paul passed round latest statistical data that highlighted the highest ranked pubs. Forms for those pubs likely to feature in the 2011 edition were distributed as follows: Bob Bramson, Bear and Dead Poets; Charisma, Pattenmakers; Nigel Brown, Holly Bush, Makeney; Andy Pearson, George and Dragon; Karen, Poet and Castle. Forms to be returned to Paul Gibson by 25th February, when our final nominations will be made.

Amber Valley Pub of the Year Seven surveyors returned their completed forms to Paul.

National Beer Discount Scheme Paul said it would be an opt-in scheme for licensees offering discounted beer to card carrying CAMRA members. We will submit our participating pubs online and HQ will contact them offering point of sale material as well as a listing on a national database.

National Cask Ale Week Paul's proposal of an April Fools Day crawl was welcomed. 8pm Thorn Tree, Waingroves; 9pm, Codnor Inn, Jessop Street, Codnor and 10pm, Poet and Castle. There is a footpath across a field linking Waingroves to Codnor.

Pub info Thorn Tree and Codnor Inn open with good selection and Seven Stars, Openwoodgate open. Landlord at Gate, Swanwick plans to revive Red Lion, Riddings. Three Horse Shoes, Leabrooks, change of licensee and selling real ale. Blue Bell, Farnah Green open. Plough, Wessington selling beer at £1.95 a pint. Wetherspoon festival 15th March. Barrow Hill festival 21,22 May.

Future Branch Meeting Dates 25th February, Tavern, Derby Road, Belper. 25th March, Waggon and Horses, King Street, Alfreton. 29th April, Thorn Tree, Waingroves-Eddie to book.

AOB Charisma said we should liaise more with Derby by attending their meetings. Secretary's note: Derby receives Amber Valley contributions to Derby Drinker, Mild and Bitter and copies of our minutes. Peter Hounsell to speak to Daniel Cramp. Mark Thorpe suggested a small festival THIS year. Konrad Machej reported that Derby had met relevant branches and ceded Crich, Holloway and Lea to Matlock branch.

Meeting finished at 9.15pm.

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Derby Branch Diary

BRANCH MEETINGS - 8pm

Thu 11th Feb – Rowing Club, Derby.

Thu 11th Mar – Brunswick, Derby.

Thu 22nd Apr – Flowerpot, Derby – AGM.

Contact the Branch Secretary, Ian Forman on 01332 882996.

COMMITTEE MEETING - 8pm

Mon 1st Mar – Brunswick Inn, Derby.

Contact the Branch Secretary, Ian Forman on 01332 882996.

BEER-FEST MEETINGS

WINTER Wrap-Up – Mon 22nd Feb – Brunswick Inn, Derby – 7.30pm. Contact the Chairman, Ralf Edge on 07739 967465.

SUMMER – Thu ? Feb – Alexandra, Derby – 8pm. Contact the Chairman, Martin Roden on 07814 776337.

REGIONAL MEETING - 12pm

Sat 27th Feb – Eight Jolly Brewers, Gainsborough. Contact Regional Director, Julian Tubbs on 07962 267743.

TRIPS

More to be arranged soon.

SURVEY TRIPS

Fri 12th Feb – Willington to Boylestone by minibus.

Mon 15th Feb – GBG Selection Meeting – Falstaff, Silverhill Road, Derby.

Contact Stewart Marshall on 07944 163737.

WEEKLY SOCIALS - 9pm

FEBRUARY

Thu 11th – Rowing Club, Derby – 8pm.

Tue 16th – Shrovetide Social – Coach&Horses – Fenny Bentley & Ashbourne pubs.

Wed 24th – Horse & Groom – Derby.

MARCH

Tue 2nd – Lawns/Corner Pin – Chellaston.

Thu 11th – Brunswick, Derby – 8pm.

Tue 16th – Coach&Horses/Garden City, Derby

Wed 24th – Hope&Anchor/Royal Oak Wirksworth.

Tue 30th – Malt Shovel, Spondon

Amber Valley Diary

BRANCH MEETINGS– 8.30pm

Thu 25th Feb – Branch meeting at the Tavern, Derby Rd, Belper. Contact the Social Secretary, Nathan on 01773 570675.

SURVEY TRIPS

Sat 20th Feb - free bus survey trip to survey pubs that are in contention for 2011 Good Beer Guide. Departs Ripley Market Place 7pm. For Alferton and Belper pick-ups contact the Social Secretary, Nathan on 01773 570675.

Beer Festivals

FEBRUARY

12-13 - Hockey Club BF - West Bridgford.

13-21 - Rising Sun BF - Middleton by Wirksworth.

22-28 - Criterion BF – Leicester.

25-28 - Moot Hall BF – Nottingham.

MARCH

3-7 - Johnson Arms BF – Nottingham.

4-6 - Loughborough BF - Polish Club.

4-7 - Unicorn BF – Newton Solney.

5-6 - Needle makers BF – Ilkeston.

10-13 - Leicester BF - CharotarPatidarSamaj

11-14 - Old Poets Corner BF – Ashover.

18-20 – Burton BF – Town Hall.

Hollybush, Makeney.

APRIL

1-4 – Alma Inn BF – Melbourne.

7-25 – Wetherspoons BF – All pubs.

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