Mild & Bitter

Keeping Derby CAMRA drinkers informed since 1975

City Brewers Shine at Costa Del Derby Fest

The sun shone and temperatures soared as the City Charter Festival debuted in the Market Place, in a move that was nothing less than transformational. Drinkers flocked to the underused square to take advantage of Mediterranean style weather and a fabulous selection of up to 275 beers. And it wasn't just the 10,227 punters who were smiling as Derby breweries celebrated picking up awards. James Salmon of Brunswick brewery took gold in the Dark Strong Ale category with Black Sabbath, and Derby Brewing Company's Penny's Porter gained bronze in the Porter section. East Midlands' Champion Beer was Bateman's Salem Porter, brewed in Wainfleet, Lincolnshire, More cider than ever was sold. A presentation was made to the 350,000 attendee of the Derby City Charter Festivals and no fewer than 124 new members were recruited to the cause. Derby CAMRA wishes to thank each of the many volunteers who made the festival a stratospheric success, particularly Martyn Reek's cellar team for ensuring good quality beer in the blistering heat. The festival review meeting will be at the Alexandra on Wednesday, 31st July, starting at 730pm, and volunteers can look forward to a day out in Liverpool, the 2008 European Capital of Culture; see page 4 for details. More on the festival on page 2.

Advance Notice of EGM

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting will be convened at the Station Inn, Midland Road, Derby, on Thursday, 10th October at 8pm. The primary purpose of the meeting will be to ratify accounts, and a branch meeting will also be held on the same evening.

BLOs Required

Brewery Liaison Officers are needed for Nutbrook of Stanley Common and the new Titan brewery on Agard Street, Derby. Should you be interested, please contact branch Secretary, Ian Forman, on 01332 882996 or secretary@derbycamra.org.uk

Pub Protection Officer

Derby CAMRA is seeking to fill the important post of Pub Protection Officer. As May's report on the White Post, Stanley Common, illustrated, we need to get certain pubs listed as Community Assets. If you're interested, please apply to branch Secretary, Ian Forman *secretary@derbycamra.org.uk*

Derby CAMRA Branch Meeting, Horse and Groom, Thursday, 8th August

The August branch meeting will be at the Horse and Groom, Parker Street, Derby, starting at 8pm on Thursday, 8th August. Further information from the Branch Secretary, Ian Forman, on 01332 882996 or email secretary@derbycamra.org.uk

National Winter Ales Working Party Meeting, the Parlour, Brunswick. Thursday, 5th September

We have a remarkable team of volunteers and are thankful for their time, energy and commitment. With a view to complimenting the existing team we are seeking to fill the following positions:

Tutored Tastings' Manager
Cellar team - quality specialist
Cellar team/Bar Manager - trainer
Staffing team - registration,
processing and general duties
Finance team - assistance for accounts and general duties
Foyer team 2 x door/glasses deputy

Continental team 2 x deputy managers Chair/Organisers team - press assistance

Membership team - deputy 2014 and then manager 2015

If you are interested please contact Gill Williams on 07847 504074 before 8th August. After this date these positions will be advertised in the staff area at The GBBF.

Planning Applications

Should you become aware of planning applications in relation to pubs in the Derby area, please could you notify our Pubs' Officer, Stewart Marshall, whose contact details are on page 4. If you are supportive of, or objecting to, the application, please do so as an individual and not as a representative of CAMRA or its policies. Thank you.

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More Festival Info

The attendance of 10.227 was up 815 on the 2012 figure. The new innovation of the festival app saw some 500 hits and 150 feedbacks. Unsurprisingly, the hot weather induced greater consumption and the festival committee want to thank the following for extra beer supplies: Falstaff, Dancing Duck, Mr Grundys, Leatherbritches, Babington, Wentwell and Middle Earth. Also, the committee would like to thank The Exeter, Thomas Leaper, Royal Oak (Ockbrook) and Acropolis café for feeding and watering volunteers. The Derby Live team deserve a special mention for their excellent handling of advance ticket sales.

Refurbishment for Morledge Pub

The White Horse is set to undergo a £270k refurbishment with an attractive drinking area outside at the rear, and real ale will once again be given the priority it deserves. The city centre pub has had something of a chequered history with name changes and a knocked through interior. It did, however, enjoy a golden spell in the John Barnes' era of the mid 80s, when, in the editor's opinion, it was Derby's best real ale pub, serving impeccable Ansells' Mild and Ind Coope Draught Burton Ale.

DBC Acquire Kedleston Hotel

Derby Brewing Company, which has rescued a string of pubs in the Derby area, has now acquired the Kedleston Hotel, a fine Georgian building on the edge of Allestree and Quarndon. 5 luxury letting rooms, a restaurant and a classy public bar are planned, and given the Harris' track record it's hard to see the venture being anything other than a resounding success. The £750k facelift should be completed by spring when it will become known as the Kedleston Country House. The Kedleston was a popular haunt in the 70s when it served Draught Bass and Pedigree.

Bell Chimes Again

Older patrons of the Bell and Castle at the town end of Burton Road may cock a snook at the contemporary design and reconfiguration of the newly revamped Georgian inn. There's no doubt, however, that it has style with extensive use of natural materials. The sun soaked garden, too, is a delight and on my visit Muirhouse and Ossett beers were available at the bar at a very reasonable £2.80 a pint. This is no cheap renovation either, as evidenced by the pub's new roof, so let's hope the Bell can find the market it deserves.

GBBF

London Olympia, between 13th and 17th August, is the venue for the 2013 Great British Beer Festival which will feature over 800 ales, ciders and perries.

Fox and Hounds Closes

The Fox and Hounds at Coxbench has closed.

Membership Secretary

Konrad Machej, our Membership Secretary, may be retiring next year, so if you fancy learning about this interesting position, please contact

membership@derbycamra.org.uk

Derby Pubs Map

Derby CAMRA requires pub photos for a new Derby pub map that we are designing. If you have any current pub photos from the list below, or are able to take any, please e-mail them to

photos@derbycamra.org.uk

Barracuda, Bedford, Blue Jay, Bonnie Prince, Brackens, Broadway, Coach & Horses, Corner Pin, Golden Pheasant, Jonty Farmer, Junction, Kensington, Kingfisher, Kings Corner, King's Highway, Lawns, Little Chester Ale House, Lodge (Alvaston), Markeaton, Master Locksmith, Maypole, Mile, New Bridge Inn, No 5, Oaklands, Peregrine, Pitcher & Piano, Rose & Crown, Smithfield, Stenson Fields, Tavern, Toby Carvery, Traveller's Rest, Waggon & Horses, Windmill, Woodlands.

Farewell Terry

Terry Holmes is leaving the Old Silk Mill this month and Derby branch wishes to thank Terry for all of his good work that saw the Mill and the Dolphin crowned as Derby CAMRA Pub of the Year in 2011 and 2002 respectively.

Photos Required for What Pub

CAMRA has launched a new, national pub site which you can review and update yourself. Visit whatpub.com and log in with either the same details you use to visit the members' area of CAMRA's national website or, if you have not visited the Members' area of CAMRA's national website before, try your CAMRA membership number and postcode when you joined the campaign (upper case, no space). To enable Derby branch to provide a comprehensive online guide to all of its pubs, we are seeking your images of pubs from all over our area. photos@derbycamra.org.uk

Regional Meeting in Derby

The quarterly regional meeting will be held at the Rowing Club, Darley Grove, Derby, at noon, Saturday, 7th September. Let's see a good turnout from Derby, Amber Valley and Ashbourne branches.

Beer Festivals

22nd to 25th August – Flower Pot, Derby. 5th to 7th September – Peacock, Old Nottingham Road, Derby. 7th and 8th September – Talbot, Hilton. **N.B. this is not an exhaustive listing.**

<u>Derby Branch Meeting</u> <u>Agenda</u> 1. Apologies. 2. Minutes of last meeting. 3.

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Minutes of the Derby CAMRA Branch Meeting, 4th July, 2013 at the Alexandra, Derby

Apologies. Paul Gibson, Les Baynton, Chris and Sue Rogers, Adrian Howell. Minutes of last meeting. Printed in June M&B. Accepted as a true record. Matters arising. None. Officers' reports: Chair Thurs 3rd July 2014 meeting will be the branch's 40th Birthday and will be here at the Alex to celebrate. City Charter festival next week. GBBF 13th to 17th Aug at Olympia. Pubs and charity month in July to highlight pubs and charity activities. Materials available from HO. Branch EGM will be at the Oct meeting. Venue TBC. COTY certificate presented to the Nunsfield Club at their Beer Festival. Allenton BL to follow. Derby Mild certificates to be presented 25th July. Vacancies- Pubs Preservation Officer and BLO for new Titan Brewery on Agard St. Secretary Nothing to report. Treasurer Nothing except little change in branch finances. Invoice for DD pending. DD revenue received. Normal operating costs. VAT credit not returned. National Winter Ales Festival Gillian not at meeting so Julian Hough spoke for her. Committee Names had been submitted to HQ who had objected that most were from Derby. Meeting dates being sorted and to be published in M&B in due course. 1st meeting imminent.

City Charter Summer Festival Starts on Wednesday. Russ thanked everyone for their support. Marquee on Market Place. HQ equipment had arrived early. All going as planned. Good publicity so far. Website—beers have been updated. Security is in place. Campaigning goals 1. Pub map to be completed, 2. To get a pub preservation officer to head off hostile closures. 3. What pub to be completed for our branch area to achieve green status. DD Out now. Gareth thanked all the distributers for their prompt collection and distribution. Russ thought this edition looked very good and was the best for some time.

GBG Stewart Marshall spoke to members. Keep submitting many NBSS. Easiest way to submit is by Whatpub. Whatpub can update pub details so use it please. Basic mini info survey for GBG needs updates; Stewart read a list of information areas he

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needed. He aimed to achieve green status in Whatpub. At moment we are on amber. He needed volunteers. GBG launch to be in Sept. Date pending? 12th Sept? It will be in a new entrant pub. Membership 28 new members 2 transferred and 13 lapsed. 149,425 members nationally. 2350 in Derby. Konrad asked for help at the membership desk at the festival. Konrad gave advanced warning of his retirement from post next year. The branch thanked him for his sterling work over the years. There might, however, be an alternative solution! M&B Paul Gibson not at meeting. Regional Next meeting in Sept at Rowing Club. Socials As published see M&B. Dean gave details. Surveys planned. 25th Jul Mild presentation. Washup summer 31st venue TBC. Thank you trip 3rd Aug to Liverpool. **Ashbourne** Sub Branch Mark Grist not at meeting. John Arguile asked about the state of the Ashbourne festival accounts. Julian Tubbs gave details of progress. The accounts would be ready for scrutiny in due course. The srutineer had been informed of the losses in the festival. Auditor to be Jok. Website Committee to be updated. News and new information needs to be put on the site to make it more attractive and presentable. Information Exchange The Bell is opening in phases. They have a Facebook page. Mitre has no real ale. Little Chester not getting DDs. Terry Morton to sort out. Bell and Castle has reopened. Rams bar open on Normanton Rd. Kings Head in Duffield reopen. Moon at Spondon to let, Spinning Wheel for sale. Liversage gutted. Mansion wine bar has real ale. Strutt at Milford has a planning application? **AOB** A Derby CAMRA member had quoted our name in his objection to the extension of hours for the Little Chester Ale House. It was felt that this was inappropriate and he would be written to, requesting that he doesn't quote us as supporters to his cause in future. Clarification from HQ would be sought before writing as per the legal position. Dennis at the Chequers, Ticknall, is retiring. Pianist, Eric Buxton, has died. Meeting closed 9.45pm.

Ashbourne CAMRA Minutes of the Ashbourne CAMRA Sub-Branch Meeting 25 June 2013 at The Bowling Green, Ashbourne

Present: Mark Grist, Dave Leigh, Michelle Leigh, Hannah Barton, Kevin Woolley, Gareth Butterfield, Richard Bright, Kim Dorrington, Keith Palmer, Pat Laughlin, Diane Grist, Malcolm Philippe. Also In attendance: Colin Wright, Darren Archer of Green Man Restoration Team. Jon Barrs of Ashbourne Town Council. Corin Brown, Chair of the Potteries Branch.

Apologies for absence: David Coackley, Phil Lee, Tony Beech, Lizzie Butterfield, Discussion on Planning Application for the Green Man The Chairman thanked

Colin Wright (CW) and his team for attending the meeting. CW explained that the application was for the first phase of the restoration which was largely for change of use of the former bar areas to retail. This phase would fund further stages of the plan which was to create a real ale pub, possibly a micro-brewery, café, imaginative public space use of the courtyard area and the creation of a boutique hotel. Overall the hotel was in a very bad state of repair, including the existing bar areas. Although the building was listed this did not extend to the Johnson and Boswell Bars as previously thought. The floors within the bar areas were in a particularly bad state with many areas rotten. As these overlay deep cellars they were a health and safety concern. While no timing could be given for the overall restoration, as this would be dependent on the delivery and commercial success of Phase 1, the plan was to restore the building to a vibrant multi-use centre which would be an asset to the town. It was noted that the Town Council had given support to the proposal. CAMRA members indicated support for the proposal . Matters Arising from May **2013 Meeting** The Minutes had been circulated and were approved. All Matters Arising were covered by the Agenda except Community Assets Process ongoing. Note: The Cock at Mugginton (closed) is being considered. Chairman's Report CAMRA has now published it future Strategic Plan - summary circulated. Derby Beer Festival seeking volunteer helpers - forms circulated. What Pub app should be available in September 2013. Branch Pub of the Year – only one nomination proposed in the future. Entries have to be made by February 2014. Four global brewing companies are sponsoring a global campaign for beer. CAMRA is involved, although the campaign does not only cover Real Ale. Entries are open for a CAMRA Campaigner of the Year. This is someone who has worked to support pubs and real ale and does not have to be a CAMRA member. All members can nominate. Little Chester Ale Trail trip had taken place including representatives from Derby and Amber Valley. Six pubs visited.

Relationship with Potteries/Staffordshire Moorlands

Branch Corin Brown reported that the new Staffordshire Moorlands Sub-Branch would cover 143 pubs. The Potteries Branch was happy that seven pubs with DE postcodes should move into the Ashbourne Sub-Branch. These are the Duncombe Arms, Rose & Crown at Upper Mayfield, George at Alstonfield, Dog & Partridge at Swinscoe, Royal Oak at Wetton, Russell Watts and the Izaak Walton (when reopened). This proposal was welcomed and accepted by the Ashbourne Branch.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report Formal appointment letters for Officers now received. New membership list still awaited. Affiliation fee to Ashbourne

Community Transport paid £20. Branch fund now reduced to £1.27. Funding issue needs further discussion with Derby Branch. Action: Chairman. Branch Activity Keith Palmer provided details for a walking and cycling route of pubs in southern Derbyshire Dales. The walk would start from Ashbourne and would conclude at Brailsford (The Rose & Crown) where the Swift could be used for a return to Ashbourne; estimated length 7 miles. Sunday would be the preferred day. Proposed date for walk: Sunday 11 August 2013. Action: Keith Palmer. No date agreed with the owner of Callow Top Brewery – possible September Branch meeting - action: Chairman. Pubs' Report: New Chef at the Red Lion, Kniveton, Yew Tree, Ednaston – Auction 11 July 2013. White Hart, Ashbourne has temporary management in place. Work has started on the refurbishment of the Coach & Horses, 2014 Beer Festival - The Green Man had been offered as a venue for 2014 if the refurbishment had progressed as planned. Dave Leigh suggested that an August Bank Holiday Festival (as per the former Green man) should be considered. More volunteers were needed for the organisation of the 2014 event. Planning meetings would be scheduled. The Chairman would confirm a date – possibly Tuesday 23 July ahead of the Branch meeting. Action: Chairman. Any Other **Business** The following were tabled: Atlow Village Beer Festival - 27 June, Atlow Village Hall. Beer Festival at The Talbot, Hilton, 7/8 September 2013. This 15 century pub has been reopened and is under new management with a commitment to serving Real Ale. Branch trip proposed. Dates for Diary: July Branch Meeting - Tuesday 30 July at the Shoulder of Mutton. Branch Walk -Brailsford, Sunday 11 August 2013. August Branch Meeting - Tuesday 27 August, Bluebell, Tissington. Branch Visit - Talbot Beer Festival, Hilton 7 or 8 September.

Beer Festivals

Marchington Melee 2, village hall, 8th to 10th August. Bluebell, Tissington, 24th to 26th August.

Amber Valley CAMRA

Beer Festival Tickets Available

The 4th Amber Valley CAMRA Beer and Cider Festival is at the Bowls Hall, Alfreton Leisure Centre, between 12th and 15th September. Friday and Saturday night tickets may be purchased online by going to *ambervalleycamra.org.uk* Alternatively, you can get them from the Furnace, Duke Street, Derby; Talbot Taphouse, Butterley Hill, Ripley; Victoria, Nottingham Road, Alfreton; Hunter Arms, Kilburn, and the Black Bulls Head, Openwoodgate.

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Festival Staff Required

Amber Valley CAMRA is now recruiting staff for the Alfreton festival. If you are interested please email avbfstaffing@gmail.com with your

preferred area of work and availability.

H & S Officer Required

A Health and Safety Officer is urgently required for the Alfreton beer festival between 12th and 15th September. Please contact Chris Rogers 01332 880041 for further information.

Beer Festivals

Poet and Castle, Codnor, $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ August. Victoria, Nottingham Road, Alfreton, $2^{nd} - 4^{th}$ August. Steampacket, Swanwick and Beehive, Ripley, $22^{nd} - 26^{th}$ August.

Amber Valley Diary AUGUST

Mon 12th – Beer festival meeting, Old Oak, Horsley Woodhouse-8pm.

Sat 17th – Free survey trip to Somercotes and Swanwick departing from Ripley Market Place 730pm.

Thu 29th – BRANCH MEETING, Poet and Castle, Codnor-8pm.

For all Amber Valley Socials contact Jane Wallis on 01773 745966

Amber Valley Contact

Chairman: Chris Rogers 01332 880041

Ashbourne Diary

JULY

Tue 30th – BRANCH MEETING, Shoulder of Mutton, Osmaston -8pm.

AUGUST

Sun 11th – Branch Walk, Brailsford. Tue 27th – BRANCH MEETING, Bluebell, Tissington-8pm.

Ashbourne Contact

Chairman, Mark Grist m.grist2@sky.com

Derby Branch Diary

JULY

Wed 31st – City Charter Festival review meeting, Alexandra-730pm.

AUGUST

Sat 3rd – Charter Festival thank you trip to Liverpool. A fantastic city for the imbiber, and plenty of other sight-seeing opportunities as well. Full of history, museums, shops and culture and, of course, beer. The city centre has a staggering 28 entries in the Good Beer guide, 6 National inventory pubs (4 of them in the GBG). You could also take the ferry cross the Mersey. Leave Derby Cathedral Green 9.30am and returns from Liverpool 7.30pm. Free to Festival workers. There are places remaining. £5 deposit required from everyone to secure a

seat, which for workers will be returned on the day. Non workers total price £12. Contact Dean 0770 3458623.

Thu 8th – BRANCH MEETING, Horse and Groom, Parker Street, Derby-8pm.

Wed 14th - Social — Bell & Castle-9pm. For anyone not going to GBBF, come along and enjoy a pint at this stylish pub.

Thu 22nd – Survey/Social – Spondon (by public transport). Visiting: White Swan, Prince of Wales, Vernon Arms, Malt Shovel. Catch the Trent 'Spondon Flyer' very regular service, there and back. Meet at 7.50 for the 8.00 pm bus, Bay 7, Bus station

Tue 27th – Committee meeting, Furnace-8pm.

SEPTEMBER

Wed 4th - BRANCH MEETING,

Brunswick, Railway Terrace, Derby-8pm. Thurs 5th – Winter Festival Meeting, Brunswick-8pm.

Thu 12th - Good Beer Guide Launch, New Zealand Arms, corner of Langley St and Peel St)-8pm.

Sat 21st – Social, Great Central Railway Beer Festival – Loughborough.

More than 50 real ales and ciders over 3 days. Either drink on the move or stand and watch the trains go by! Live music and hot food. Besides the main marquee at Loughborough Central, there'll be bars at: the new Greenacres site (adjacent to Leicester North station) on Saturday and Sunday; Butler Henderson cafe at Quorn. There's also a range of ciders and perries. The event also features: • beers on the train (Griddle Car trains) • festival programme – free.

http://www.gcrailway.co.uk/beer-festival-20th-22nd-september/

Meet at the railway station for the 11.20 am train or use the 'skylink' bus or make your own way there. After the festival we will probably head into Loughborough and certainly visit the Organ Grinder before making our way home.

For all Derby Socials contact Socials@derbycamra.org.uk

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