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# MILD MISFORTUNE

## - Price Factor Blamed

By Mike (Mild) Meara

Much has been said in recent years about the sad decline in the fortunes of a famous English drink - Mild Ale. Many breweries no longer find it economic to produce a cask mild, and in only the last few years Fullers and Youngs of London, Elgoods of Wisbech and Devenish of Weymouth have dropped the beer from their ranges. These have very recently been joined by Border (brewed - or rather, not brewed - by Marstons) and Theakstons, both of whom used to produce not one but two real milds.

But is the situation quite so bad locally? Some of you may remember a publication called REAL ALE IN AND AROUND DERBY, the second edition of which was published by Derby CAMRA in 1979. It listed 94 pubs in the City of Derby, almost half of which sold cask-conditioned mild at that time. In the seven years since then, 30% of these have ceased to do so, which on the face of it looks pretty bad. Set against that, however, the fact that most of the "Real Ale Gains" made in that period are selling real mild, and it turns out that the total number of real mild outlets in the city has declined by only 10%.

But there is no doubt that the trend locally, as nationally, is downwards. The usual reasons given for this are that Mild hasn't shaken off its working-class, "cloth cap" image, and that the quality of the beer suffers, not only because it is a lower-gravity, less well-hopped beer and therefore more difficult to keep, but also as a result of the activities of the unscrupulous minority of licensees who rely on its dark colour to hide the fact that this is where they recycle all the "slops",

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All this may well be true, but an equally important factor is the reduction in price differential, which makes Mild seem poor value for money in relation to Bitter. In the good old days, when mild was 4d a pint and bitter 6d, the difference of two pence was very significant. Nowadays the difference in price is often still two pence (new rather than old) but on a price of 70-odd pence a pint this hardly matters.

## DRINK FOR CAMRA

Derby and its surrounds are blessed with vast numbers of discriminating and knowledgeable drinkers, who prefer real ale, know why and make sure they get it. It's the great Derby drinking public, as much as CAMRA, who have ensured that the city is still a great place for a pint.

Many of those in that happy band must have at one time or another contemplated joining CAMRA. Not just to register their support and help the finances, but also to take some of the benefits, such as the free and highly informative monthly newsletter, the discounts on beer guides and free entry to many beer festivals.

To thank such drinkers for their past "unofficial" support, and to provide the final gentle nudge into joining CAMRA, the Derby Branch has put together a special membership offer linked to the beer festival. Details are given elsewhere in this issue, but the basic message is "Join up now - get in to the festival free, and ... (well, why not take a look)."

There are some areas where Mild still retains a strong position. In the North-West, Thwaites and Hydes still manage to brew two cask milds, and many breweries continue to do well with mild in Wales. But it is the West Midlands where mild is king; believe it or not two-thirds of the beer brewed by Banks's of Wolverhampton is mild! Managing Director David Thompson attributes this to several factors: Banks's Mild is a relatively high original gravity (1036) and is brewed, like all their beers, from only the very best ingredients. It is also paler in colour than many - no hiding place here! - and in the West Midlands is a full 5p a pint cheaper than the bitter. And, of course, when they advertise, Bitter and Mild receive equal prominence.

Sounds like a recipe that gives results. Meanwhile, there are still a good number of pubs in Derby where you can enjoy a good-value, tasty pint of mild. To name but a few: you can sample Ansells Mild in the White Horse (Morledge) and the Wardwick Tavern; Shipstones Mild in the Alexandra (Siddals Road); Home Mild in the Maypole (Brook Street); Hardy and Hansons in the Furnace (Duke Street); both Marstons milds in the Exeter (Exeter Place); M&B Mild in the White Swan (Chapel Street, Spondon) ... and last but not least, Banks's Mild in the Grandstand (Nottingham Road).

## SPINEY SUCCESS

"Hedgehog-flavour" crisps created something of a stir when they were launched just over a year ago but are now big business.

Phil Lewis, licensee of The Vaults, Welshpool, who had some packets made up as a joke for his customers, is finding that demand is still going up. He has had to give up his pub in order to run the business, which is going flat out (ouch) at 100,000 packets a week.

In case this raises the prickles, sorry, hackles, of animal lovers, we hasten to re-affirm that not a single Tiggywinkle has ended up in a plastic bag as a result; the so-called "hedgehog" flavour is merely a blend of herbs and artificial flavouring agents.

## BAR FACTS By Phil McCarrykeg

#### **Cricketing Colliers?**

The former Colliers Arms, Kilburn, until recently an Ansells tenanted house, is all set to re-open, as a free house, under the new name of "The Cricketers".

David and Marilyn Foulke, mine hosts at The Tiger, Lock-Up Yard in Derby, are planning to run The Cricketers in addition to the Tiger and are having considerable alterations carried out to the old Colliers, to give it a "proper country pub atmosphere," as David puts it.

Initially, they will have Marstons Pedigree on handpump and are also planning to add beers from Bass in due course.

#### Burgeoning Bass Boost Business

Good news for all Bass lovers - the brewery has submitted planning applications for two new pubs in Derby. The first being at Derby Road, Spondon, and the second is to be built at the Oakwood District Centre, thus ending the beer desert in Derby's newest suburb.

### Horsely's Border

As Marstons took over the Border Brewery at Wrexham you'd be forgiven for thinking that Border Bitter would be made available locally and we understand many local tenants and even managers have asked for this tasty brew only to be turned down. Except the Coach and Horses at Horsley that is - curious. Get along and sample some - if drinkers can demonstrate there is a demand perhaps Marstons will relent and make Border Bitter more widely available.



#### Royal Revelations

You've all heard the one about the Queen and the ex-Guardsman in Windsor Park - well we can now confirm that the ROYAL STAND-ARD, in Derwent Street, Derby features one or two ladies in a partial state of undress on a Thursday night. The one (?) major boob in your intrepid reporter's view (apart from the obvious) was that on the two Thursdays the pub has so far been visited the real ale was not on sale - surely not through lack of support.

# Brewers Booze Their Loaf

By Our Food Correspondent, Roland Butter

News reaches me that a collaboration between Everards Brewery of Leicester and a bakery by the name of Geary's of Ratby has resulted in the first commercially available Real Ale Bread.

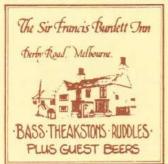
It appears that 6 ounces of Everards ale goes into every loaf but there's apparently no danger of the vicar getting paralytic on your cucumber sandwiches, as the alcohol evaporates in the baker's oven, leaving a pleasant beery taste and aroma in the bread, which is presumably made from stonedground flour.

Everards are quite keen on the idea, so it may be that other breweries will jump on the bandwagon, sorry, bread-van and who knows, possibly the Burton Bridge Bunloaf, Bass Baps, or even Ind Coope Crumpets could be vying for our teatime delection? (Try saying "some Shipstones Scones" ... no, somehow I think not.)

Actually, I bumped into my old friend and cookery writer, Mrs. Beertins, the other day and she said that anyone who makes their own bread can try it for themselves simply by substituting beer for water in the recipe when mixing the dough. Even better, if you're a home brewer, use some of the yeast sediment from your latest brew instead of baker's yeast. (It may take longer to ''prove''.)

Another pint, er, slice, vicar?





## Royal Oak Wins Award



Lew and Olive Wilson of the Royal Oak, Ockbrook are pictured being presented with a 'Good Pub Award' by Derby CAMRA Chairman, David George.

The excellence of their Draught Bass, Springfield Bitter, M&B Mild and, before it was withdrawn from the area by Bass, Worthington Bitter has earned them a place in the Good Beer Guide for the past ten years. A rare achievement and one which Derby CAMRA members voted to honour with this equally rare award.

## 1852 AND ALL THAT

Breweries have been issuing special commemorative bottled beers for well over 100 years - since 1852 in fact, when Ind Coope did an 'Arctic Ale' to celebrate an expedition to that lager-cold land.

Not many people know that. And not many people know as much about these beers as Bob Heath of the Association of Bottled Beer Collectors, who enthralled his audience of CAMRA members and guests at the Royal Oak, Ockbrook with a talk illustrated by exhibits from his own extensive collection.

Got any Coronation Ales from 1953? Over 200 breweries did one, but the largest collection known to exist contains only 40 or so of them. Better check the attic now.

Among the more curious items in Bob's collection are the Christmas Ale from Fremlin's of Kent, which came complete with seasonal wrapping paper; the "Adam's Ale" whose label depicts a nude lady; and one issued by Mansfield Brewery to celebrate the opening of their new brewhouse, which came in a handsomely printed tin box!

You can even arrange your very own commemorative bottle with one of the smaller breweries like Burton Bridge, who are very big in this field. Bob himself had one done to celebrate moving house; the beer, of course, was Porter.

All agreed it was a most interesting evening. If you missed it, and would like to know more about collecting bottled beers, contact the Editor who can put you in touch with Bob and the ABBC.

#### **GOT ANY CASTLES?**

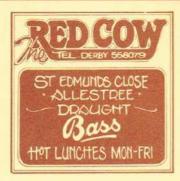
Dick Jones, licensee of the Bell and Castle on Burton Road, is looking for pictures, drawings or prints of castles with which to decorate the walls of his pub.

If you've got anything moatworthy that you no longer wish to keep, why not call in and see Dick with your asking price?

Oh, and before you ask ... he's already got enough bells, thanks.

#### Not Closing

Following the story in DD14 that the Buck in the Park was about to close for refurbishment we have been asked to point out that this is not the case - any refurbishment will take place without the pub closing. Our reporter has been given a free transfer - to the SUN.





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## STIRRING UP THE SEDIMENT

Derby Drinker is a campaigning magazine. We make no secret of our aims, to press for the freedom of the pub customer to be able to drink whatever he or she wishes and to provide any factual information necessary to prevent that customer from being misinformed, deceived or simply ripped off.

We are **not** in the business of forcing real ale down people's throats but when we are faced with such a torrent of misinformation as that used to promote the sale of lager we feel we have to fight fire with fire.

This was the reason for the hard-hitting article on the front page of the last issue of Derby Drinker under the headline "Lager Conl" which upset one or two licensees, who are the last people we would wish to offend. After all, we are in the same business, basically wishing to see the customers satisfied and able to purchase whatever they want, wherever and whenever they want. Notice we said "whatever they want," not a word about real ale. If people want to drink vodka and advocaat you won't find us standing in their way. CAMRA is about freedom of choice, not making real ale drinking compulsory.

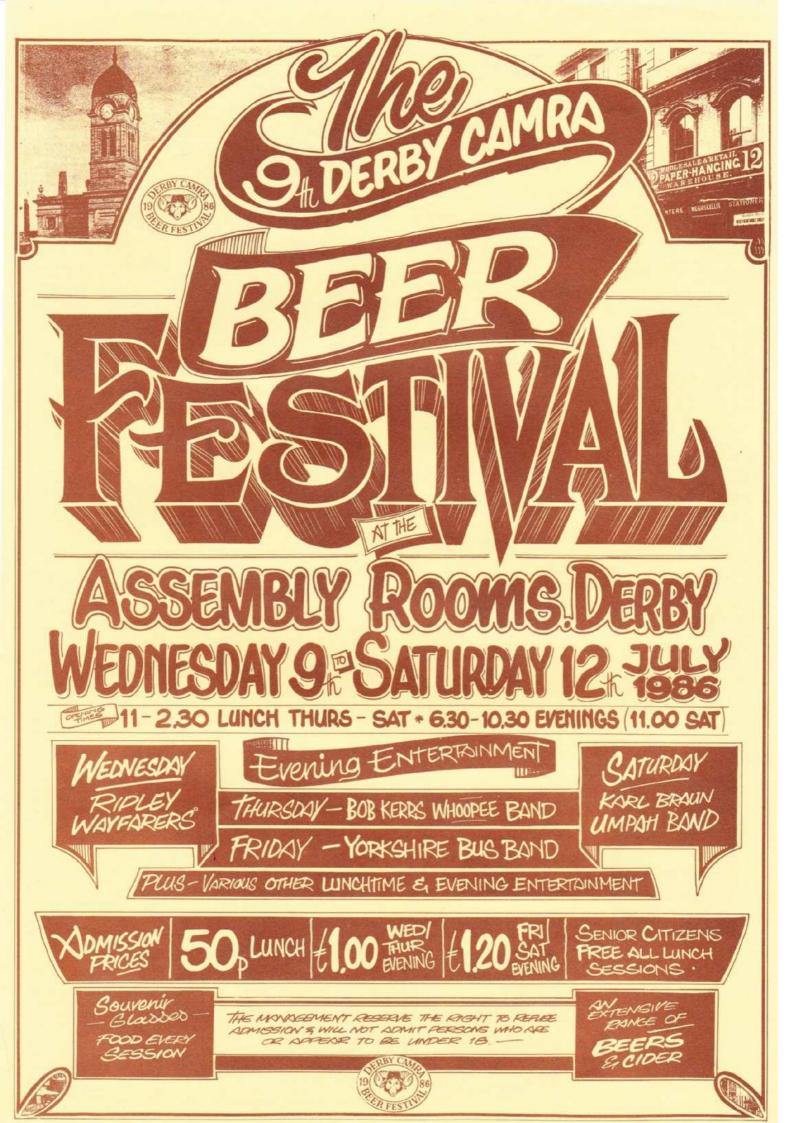
We accept that a lot of people like lager and will go on drinking it no matter what. Fine. What we cannot accept is the way in which many large breweries constantly seek to associate their lagers with properties such as strength, status and prestige, either by using a famous name for a product which, as we showed, doesn't bear comparison with the justly-famous continental original, or by half-implied hints that such and such a lager will give you superhuman powers and bring social esteem.

The way they get round the regulations governing the advertising of alcohol, which forbid the attribution of strength or social status-related benefits to an alcohol product, is to exploit the loophole in the code of practice which says that this does not apply if the subject is treated in a way which is obviously humorous and not intended to be taken at full face value. Hence all those tongue-in-cheek lager ads on the television, just to keep the Advertising Standards Authority happy.

#### WHO DO THEY THINK THEY ARE KIDDING

At Derby Drinker we just think you should know the facts. It's for you to weigh them up and make your own judgement. And landlords; we're not knocking you, just the big breweries and their marketing policies.

We will continue to speak our minds and we will occasionally ruffle a few feathers. If you disagree with us, put your point of view on paper; we'll print any well argued case which adds constructively to the debate.



## ONE OVER THE EIGHT — A Full Guide

New - Guest Beer Stall

If you attend every session of this year's Derby CAMRA Beer Festival (from Wednesday 9th July to Saturday 12th July) you will be able to sample at least 44 different beers from 26 breweries as well as traditional cider.

In order to increase your choice we have decided to have a "Guest Beer" stall this year - and what a treat for regular Festival-goers! At lunchtimes you will be able to sample either RINGWOOD Best Bitter (original gravity 1040), HALL & WOODHOUSE Badger Bitter (1041) or GODSON CHUDLEY Wilmot's Hop Cone Bitter (1042), and in the evenings you will be treated to either HALL & WOODHOUSE Tanglefoot Bitter (1048), ELDRIDGE POPE Royal Oak (1048), KING & BARNES Draught Festive (1050) or GALES Horndean Special Bitter (HSB) (1051).



#### NEW BEERS TO DERBY

Of the 44 beers available a staggering (!) 18 have never before been on sale at a Derby Beer Festival. Apart from the seven mentioned above there is JOHN SMITH'S Bitterat 1036 a good session beer, Chiltern Ale (1036) - a distinctive light bitter and Beechwood Bitter (1043) - full-bodied and nutty, both these from CHILTERN of Aylesbury. Also new from the South are GLENNY'S from Witney in Oxfordshire whose Witney Bitter (1037) - another tasty session bitter, and Wynchwood Best (1044) will be available as well as beers from BRAKSPEAR of Henley-on-Thames who brew a distinctive Bitter (1035) and the rich rather smooth Special (1043).



#### Ye Olde Spa Inne

Lunches Mon-Sat inc

Childrens Room Garden

enjoy Ind Coope's Traditional Ales in a convivial atmosphere

#### A Full Guide to the Ninth Derby CAMRA Beer Festival

From Manchester we bring you BODDINGTON'S famed Bitter (1035) and Mild (1032), and from the nearby OLDHAM brewery comes their pale and full-flavoured Bitter (1037). From Liverpool is HIGSON'S hoppy Bitter (1036).

#### HEADBANGER RETURNS

ARCHERS of Swindon are back with their Best Bitter (1040), Special Bitter (1050) and their famous Headbanger which at 1065 is the third strongest of the Festival.

MORRELLS of Oxford supply the second strongest - Celebration Ale, which although pale in colour is a heady 1066. An appropriate way to celebrate the Rams' promotion? Our other beers from Morrells are Best Bitter (1036) and Varsity (1041). From Melksham in Wiltshire we have MOLE'S Cask (1040) and their new "97" (1050), and our other Southern brewery is DONNING-TON'S of Stow-on-the-Wold whose rare Dark Mild (1035), and SBA (1042) will be available.

#### THE BEST OF THE REST

Others are HYDES Best Mild (1034) and Bitter (1037), HOLT, PLANT & DEAKIN'S Mild (1036) and Entire (1043), Bridge Bitter (1042) and the very popular Porter (1045) from BURTON BRIDGE, MANSFIELD'S 4XXXX (1045) IND COOPE'S Burton Ale (1047.5), Aylesbury Bitter (1037) and Ansell's Mild (1035.5), Highgate Mild (1036) and Draught Bass (1044) from BASS and from MARSTON'S is, of course, Pedigree (1043), Border Pitter (1034) and the strongest widely-available beer in Britain ... Owd Roger at a mind-blowing 1080!

We think it's a truly magnificent feast of the varieties of traditional draught beers available in Englandwe hope you agree. See you there.

#### TOMBOLA FUN, FUN, FUN

For the first time this year you can have a go at winning some of the several hundred prizes in the Breweriana Tombola - bottles, beer mats, ashtrays, bar towels, bar maids, no not barmaids, beer glasses, books, in short anything we can get our hands on to give away as prizes! So roll up, roll up and try your luck.



Bob Kerr's Whoopee Band, who will be serenading Thursday night Festival visitors with their own brew of nutty jazz numbers and popular songs given the Whoopee treatment.

## ENTERTAINMENT —

# The Full Festival Line-up

As usual we've lined up a full and varied programme of entertainment for all sessions of the Festival. Entertainments Manager Terry Morton fills in the details:

#### WAYFARING WEDNESDAY

The most popular trio on the Derbyshire folk scene make their fourth visit to the Festival on Wednesday night. These guys need no introduction to folk fans and Festival regulars.

Performances by the Ripley Morris Men and the Black Cap Sword Dancers will add further colour (and sound!) to the evening.

#### WHOOPEE!

Thursday night sees the return of Bob Kerr's Whoopee Band, who made such a good impression last year. You don't have to be a jazz fan to appreciate this zany seven-piece outfit who have delighted audiences all over Europe with their mixture of music and madness.

#### MONTY'S

In the foyer MONTY'S MUSIC SHOP will be playing 30's & 40's music on THURSDAY & FRIDAY EVENING

#### IT'S BETTER BY BUS

The Yorkshire Bus Band are newcomers to Derby, but not to beer festivals. This award-winning silver band delighted beer-swillers at CAMRA's National Beer Festivals at Leeds in 1982 and Birmingham in 1983; watch out for a grand finale guaranteed to raise the roof by closing time on Friday.

#### UMPAH, UMPAH ...

"Raise your glasses, swing and sing" is the message from Karl Braun, who'll be bringing his Umpah Band for the sixth time. I'm sure we'll all drink to that on Saturday night!

#### RHYTHMIC LUNCHTIMES

We haven't forgotten those who prefer more room to move around and who enjoy the quieter atmosphere of the lunchtime sessions.

On Thursday we have the everpopular jazz piano of Tommy Owen, and on Friday, Cyril Bennet takes over at the keyboard to present a mixture of jazz and rag-

On Saturday we're pleased to welcome back **Burnt Peat**, a Leeds based folk band who delighted audiences at our 1984 Festival with their renditions of Scottish and Irish jigs and reels.

#### CODA

As if all that wasn't enough Terry tells us that he has some further "fringe" entertainment in the pipeline. So here's the deal: we'll tap the casks if you'll tap your feet.





#### LEISURELY LUNCHES

The lunchtime sessions, at 50p admission are good value for money and more relaxed than those in the evening. Why not come and eat your lunch - the Assembly Rooms caterers, Giradot, have a food bar - washed down by some of the lighter, refreshing beers whilst listening to one of the piano players, playing one of several traditional pub games or just browsing through the stalls. Incidentally, admission at lunchtime is free to pensioners.

## Wish you were here for the beer

A holiday in England has many disadvantages. But even if the traffic doesn't hold you up and the weather doesn't bring you down, there remains the problem of where to find a decent drink, and what to do with the kids when you do.

#### Pint of \*\*\*\*B?

Following our report in the last DD about landlord John Barnes of The White Horse on the Morledge, who talks to his beer, some wag at the Grampian, Sinfin, has suggested that landlord, Steve "Sailor Copestake, achieves similar results by swearing at his! We think this is a gross slur on poor Steve, who is a gentle soul, and would you please stop hitting me, Mr. Copestake?

Incidentally, our note about John and his cask conversations seems to have started something. Not only did the Derby Evening Telegraph did the Derby Evening Telegraph do a follow-up on the item but our "rival" publication, "Pubs and Clubs", also ran the story. At least they had the decency to say where they got it from, admitting that "once again, Derby Drinker got a scoop over Pubs & Clubs." Well, fellas, you've got to get up pretty early in the morning to beat us to the hot news. beat us to the hot news.

Stand by for the motor-cycling pub dog and the Zen Bhuddist landlord who levitates the beer from the





As always, CAMRA has at least part of the answer. We can't do anything about the rain or the tailbacks, but we can equip you with local beer guides covering many of the popular holiday destinations.

As well as giving a far more comprehensive coverage of a particular area's real ale hostelries than our National Good Beer Guide can manage, they'll also tell you which pubs cater for children, which offer meals and which can for the night. These guides are generally quite reasonably priced in the £1-£2 range.

Where can you get them? Come to the CAMRA Sales stall at the Beer Festival and see what Terry Morton and his staff can offer. This is the only place where non-members can get hold of this information, so don't miss your chance.

While you're at it, why not pick up a Derby Beer Festival T-shirt to show the natives what good taste you've got? Terry also has books on Real Cheese and Real Cider, and many other aspects of beer, pubs and brewing, plus beer mats, bar towels and who knows what else?

Come along and find out.

## **BRITAIN'S** BIGGEST BAR

The biggest celebration of Real Ale in Britain takes place at the Brighton Metropole from Tuesday August 5th (evening) to Saturday August 9th (11.00 - 2.30, 5.00 - 11.00 each day).

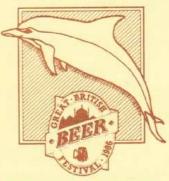
Admission costs £1 after 6.00 but is free at all other times. (Accompanied children are admitted free at all times.) Season tickets covering all nine sessions cost £2.50, and for any group of 12 or more there is no charge - although you must contact CAMRA at 34 Alma Road, St. Albans, Herts. All 3BW before-

#### It seems like yesterday...

From "Mild & Bitter", Derby CAMRA's members' newsletter, July 1980: 'Branch Meeting Minutes (cont.): Chris Gale asked the branch for information con-cerning the rumoured closure by Bass of the Burton Union Room.

Britain's biggest beer festival boasts over 200 Real Ales and Ciders, a fine selection of hot and cold food at all times, live entertainment both lunchtimes and evenings, a family room, plus stalls and games.

May to November is high season for beer festivals; many more are held around the country besides our own in Derby and the National in Brighton. For details of these Brighton. check the Membership Desk at the Assembly Rooms.



#### BRIGHTON METROPOLE **AUGUST 5-9 1986**

sessions without charge, but will not give refunds on admissions already paid. We will also give you two free pints of beer (per sub-scription whether single or joint).

Existing or previous members who renew or re-join at the festival will have to do so at the new subscription rate.

Please note that there is some small print: you will still have to join the admission queue (if any); we cannot guarantee admission, even to members (for example, the hall may be full); and the free beer and cider offer is limited to ordinary strength brews and is subject to availability.

Note also that many other CAMRA festivals have free admission to members. As a member you will eceive advance notice of these via CAMRA's national monthly paper which is sent to you free of charge.

## Festival - GET IN FREE!

CAMRA members can get into the Derby Beer Festival FREE OF CHARGE! So can anyone who joins CAMRA at the event!

There is even a SPECIAL OFFER for new members who sign up before the festival, worth up to £12 (compared with joining after the festival, see below).

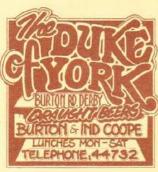
The first part of this special offer is CAMRA membership at one pound off the old price (saving £3 on the new subscripition rate). To take advantage of this, all you need to do is to complete the form below and send it with your payment to the address shown by Monday 30th June 1986.

We will send your application to CAMRA HQ for processing and will send you, in time for the festival, a temporary membership card which will get you in to any 1986 Derby Beer Festival session without paying (a possible saving of

But there's more ... the offer includes two free pints of beer or cider. To obtain these all you need to do is to come along during the festival to the CAMRA Membership Information desk in the main foyer on the first floor, and we will give you tokens for these, plus an information pack about the Derby Branch of CAMRA. The free beer or cider gives a further saving of about £1.50, bringing the total possible savings (if you come to all sessions) of £12.

But you can do EVEN BETTER if you're married. Joint husband and wife membership costs just the same as individual membership, but you can both get in free, and we'll give you THREE FREE PINTS between you.

Those who join CAMRA at the festival need pay only the old subscription (saving £2). We will give a temporary membership card so that you can get into any further



# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

I/We wish to join the Campaign for Real Ale Limited.

I/We agree to abide by the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Campaign.

- 1/We declare that we have not previously been members of CAMRA, and therefore enclose my/our remittance for:
- Full/Husband and Wife membership for one year £6,00, or
- Full/H & W overseas membership for one year £9.00
- Delete as appropriate. Those who are or have been CAMRA members must enclose £3.00 more than the appropriate rate shown above.

Remittances should be made payable to CAMRA Ltd, and should be sent to: Les Williams, Membership Offer, 39 Breedon Hill Road, Derby, DE3 6TH.

To arrive no later than Monday 30th June 1986

THE CAMRA SUBSCRIPTION AFTER THE BEER FESTIVAL WILL BE £9.00 (£12.00 OVERSEAS) EXCEPT THAT THE REDUCED RATES OF £7.00 (£10.00) MAY BE AVAILABLE AT BEER FESTIVALS ELSEWHERE FOR A LIMITED PERIOD.

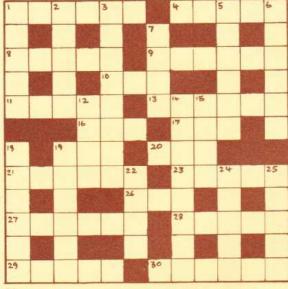
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## Prize Crossword — Win Festival Goodies!



Name

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Pub where you picked up your Derby Drinker

Entries to: Drinker Crossword, 40 Weston Park Gardens, Shelton Lock, Derby, DE2 9EU. No later than Saturday 5th July 1986.

- Local beer to bank on (6)
- 4. Medical stand-in (5)
- Get this right, for his sake (5) 8.
- 0 A stop in the cop shop (6) The way the weasel went (3)
- Back us with nothing against this Indian Cricketer (5)
- This beer's no prize (6) 13
- 16. Taxing tub (3)
- 17. Surgeons perform short ones (3)
- Biological bag (3)
- 20. President Lincoln sounds familiar (5)
- Higher than trains, drier than boats 21
- Hint about mixed up ref in charge (5) 23
- 26. Cornish mines can (3)
- You need 21 across to do this (6)
- Fair dinkum exercise (5) 28.
- Pig house after the French manner (5) 20
- Tricky problem could involve string and Diddymen (6) 30

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- The way a wolf walks (5)
- 2. Frequently, five is half (5)
- Move to dat place (8)
- Sneaky crawlers give me the shivers (6)
- The alcohol that really does make you blind drunk! (6)
- Confused part needs attention (4)
- Russian in transit? (4)
- Old Tom and his missus (8)
- What the pubs aren't in the afternoon (4) 15.
- Spares used to make javelins (6) 18.
- Not to have this would be madness (6) 19
- 22. Maggie's damp foes back for an Irish meal (4)
- Do this to the law and you may be under 9 across (6)
- Toad's irritable friend (5)

## COACH HORSES HORSLEY TELDER Handpumped PEDIGREE MERRIE MONK & CAPITAL Lunches & Bar Snacks

## WARM WELCOME AWAITS YOU at MICKLEOVER TEL DERBY 513956

Winner of the £5 prize for the crossword in DD13 was N. Miller, 24 Empress Road, Derby.

The Boozagram competition in DD14 attracted a plethora of entries and had us poring over the dictionary at some of the verbal gems you came up with.

No real doubt about the winner, though, with a monstrous total of 1133 words, Dilwyn Evans, of 17 Arundel St., Derby. (I always knew these Welsh were a verbose lot.)

#### CROSSWORD PRIZES

FIVE lucky people will win the following fabulous Festival prizes:

FREE admission to all lunchtime sessions. (only)

FREE half-pint souvenir glass

FREE two halves of beer of your choice.

Wowee, what generosity? Sorry, that should be, what generosity! How can you not enter??

## ENTERTAINMENT By F. Sharp

Not much space this time, so just a word to all you landlords, folk club secretaries, etc., to keep us informed as to what's on at your pub. A mention in this column is as good as a free advert!

A subject we shall be looking at in the Autumn is pub guizzes, which seem to be growing in popularity. Congratulations to the Vine, Mickleover on winning the Ind Coope Top of the Pubs recently, by the way, and The Holly Bush, Church Broughton, victors in the Derbyshire League Knockout. If your pub is interested in putting a team in for the League next season, phone Frank Saunders on 557669 for details

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Everyone is welcome at Derby CAMRA socials and meetings. For more information about these events phone Social Secretary Pat Meara on Derby 663332.

#### TUESDAY SOCIALS - 9.15pm

24th June - Seven Stars, King Street (S&N); 1st July - Three Horseshoes, Long Lane (Ind Coope); 8th July -Exeter Arms, Exeter Place, Derby (Marston); 15th July - double-header in Middleton-by-Wirksworth: 9pm at Nelson's Arms (Marston), then 10pm at Duke of Wellington (Bass). 10pm at Duke of Wellington (Bass). Minibus leaves Exeter Arms 8.30pm (book!); 22nd July - out-of-area social at Cross Keys, Castle Donington (Free); 5th August - Victoria, Midland Road, Derby (Bass); 12th August - Black Boy, Heage (Whitbread); 19th August - Honeycomb, Ladybank Road, Mickleover (Everards); 26th August - Red Lion, Burton Road, Repton (Marston).

#### BRANCH MEETINGS - 8.00pm

Wednesday 2nd July - Gas Board Club, Ashbourne Road, Derby (Marston); Thursday 14th August - Dog and Duck, London Road, Shardlow (Marston).

Please note that we will be running special trips for Beer Festival workers and members signing up under our "special offer" deal (see inside). Call at the Membership Desk at the Festival for details.

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