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SUMMER FEST UPDATE 2005

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28th Derby CAMRA Beer Festival A Mecca for Midlands beers

The best time of the year to drink in Derby city centre is with us once more. For an amazing 28th occasion the Derby Beer Festival is being staged, as usual at the Assembly Rooms, in the Market Place, from 6th-10th July.

In recent years the Great Hall has featured beers from as far away as Valhalla in the north, and the Lizard in the south. This year though, every beer in the Great Hall has been brewed within 50km of Derby. A little boring perhaps, on the face of it: nothing at the festival but the regular beers found on every bar in Derbyshire.

However, a flick through the *Good Beer Guide*, a browse on www.quaffale.org.uk and a compass on a map tells us that there are some 39 breweries within the designated 50km radius.

Quite mind boggling really. Even the beer manager hadn't heard of some of them - and the chances are that you won't have



come across 70% of the beers in the Great Hall unless you frequent good beer type pubs an awful lot, a good 20% being special brews or new seasonal beers.

Unlike some festivals where ostensibly you'll find a massive choice of zillion beers but in small casks, so the beer you want is either finished or not on tap yet, the Great Hall at the Derby Beer Fest features a more modest 60 odd beers, but enough volume of each to last from the Wednesday through to the Saturday night. No disappointment whichever night you come.

The Darwin Suite, the smaller of the two halls in the Assembly Rooms will feature 40 odd beers over the festival period, (max of 24 on tap at one time). Some 20

new or seasonal beers should keep those seeking new beers happy and a few old favourites will add a little familiarity, as in the Great Hall.

Most of the breweries within the festival range in size from small to very small.

Holland and Mallard are probably the smallest, Mallard literally being in the shed at the bottom of Phil Mallard's garden.

At the opposite end of the scale, Derby CAMRA are proud to associate themselves with our three large regional breweries: Hardys and Hansons, Marstons, and Everards.

Going even bigger, Coors, an international giant, is represented, albeit by a small, well known, local concern in the form of the White Shield Brewery where Steve is going to recreate 1744 to his recipe for us.

As usual, for those of you drinkers who prefer another style of tippie, three perries and six ciders, a choice of 30 plus continental beers, both draught and



bottled, and half a dozen fruit wines will surely tempt you.

Four beers are being brewed especially to celebrate the 28th Derby Beer Festival. Milestone, Falstaff, Burton Bridge and Leadmill breweries have come up with original recipes - and a few Derby CAMRA members are going along to help brew them, just to add that final stir that turns them into truly great brews.

Dates, Times & Prices

Wed 6th	Closed		6.30-11	£3
Thu 7th	11.30-3	Free	6.30-11	£4
Fri 8th	11.30-3	£1	5-6.30	£1
			6.30-11	£5
Sat 9th	11.30-4	£2	6.30-11	£5
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Royal Oak Turns Over A New Leaf

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The Etheridge's have also restarted the hotels food trade, serving meals everyday from noon till nine in the 35-seater



restaurant and a Sunday roast from noon till eight.

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Daniel Cramp

Marston's at the Grass Roots

Marston's has returned to honour its grass roots supporters by sponsoring the 2005 Derby Beer Festival again.



Their Old Empire logo will appear on the festival glass.

It has been busy in the intervening years trying to convert those down south to Pedigree's fascinating aroma and palate and has been rewarded by increased sales and £2 million worth of investment at the

Burton-on-Trent Victorian brew-house.

Pedigree appears at the festival with Marston's Old Empire a 5.7% abv India Pale Ale brewed in a genuine authentic style and Marston's Burton Bitter a refreshing 3.8% abv full flavoured bitter.

Head Brewer, Steve Brooks is most proud of his creation, Old Empire and urges all festival goers to discover the golden colour, bursting with quenching malt, hops and fruit character. A best seller in the supermarkets, the draught version is a must-stock beer in good ale pubs as recommended in this year *Good Beer Guide*. Urge your landlord to discover Old Empire too!

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Presentation at the Stables Bar



Leadmill brewer Richard Creighton (right) is happy to receive the Derby CAMRA Pub of the Year certificate from branch chairman Ian Winterton (left), on behalf of the Stables Bar at Denby in May.

Brief news.....

Trevor Harris of **Derby Brewing Co** to brew a beer for the **Bishops Blaise - Blaise Bitter**...Helston Spingo beers have been on at the **George** in Ripley... **Danelaw** launched first brew at Falstaff festival and are brewing Cnut for Derby Beer Festival. The editor is assured there is no French Connection connection...things are on the up at the **County** in Sinfin where Simon has had Monkman's Slaughter delivered directly from Crompton Brewery... Real Ale Gains at the **Waggon & Horses** on Ashbourne Road and the **Bedford** in the street of the same name.

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Festival Special Beers

The Festival special brews at the 2005 Derby CAMRA event all commemorate Andrew Handyside, whose bi-centenary falls this year. Here are the pumpclips for the beers, which have been commissioned from Leadmill, Burton Bridge, Falstaff and Milestone breweries, with the explanation behind the chosen names:

OLD WHITE HORSE

5%

Nostalgically named after the venerable old thatched tavern that was pulled down to accommodate Handysides' Friar Gate Bridge way back in 1878.



IRON BREW

4.8%

Not, of course, the popular soft drink of old, but an even tastier

dry stout,

named in honour of Derby's world-famous iron-builder, Andrew Handyside. Brewed at Milestone Brewery in Cromwell, Notts.

BRITANNIA BITTER 4.6%

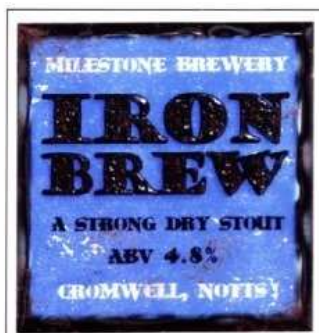
Brewed by Burton Bridge and named after Handysides Foundry in Duke Street, where the famous Friar Gate Bridge was cast. Hardy & Hanson's Furnace Tavern, built to quench the big thirst of foundrymen and railway workers, now stands at that site, where it continues to quench the thirsts



of more contemporary ale-supers!

MYSTERY TRIBUTE BEER

Brewed by the Falstaff Brewery in Normanton, more about this ale will be revealed at the time of the festival. Until then all is being kept under wraps.



A wheat beer from the award-winning Leadmill Brewery at Denby, better known (until now) for its darker beers.

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FOYER BAR – UK & FOREIGN BEERS

2004 saw the introduction of a UK foyer bar, serving a few of the same beers that were in the Great Hall. This year, both the UK foyer bar and foreign beer bar will be standing side by side serving their respective beers together with Fruit Wines and Fentimans brewed condiments.

Some people may not like Real Ale, or may want to try a beer from another country. Don't fret, because the Derby Beer Festival can accommodate you with a good selection of foreign beer served up from the foyer bar. The past few years have seen all bottled beers on the foreign beer bar, but this year you will find four draught beers on tap – the first four beers on the beer list below.

BEER	BREWERY	BEER	BREWERY
Ultramour	Ecaussinnes	Ename Blond BC	Roman
Sparta Pils	Van Steenberge	Mater Witbier BC	Roman
Budvar	Budweiser Budvar	Erdinger Alkoholfrei	Erdinger
Kuppers Kolsh	Kuppers	Brigand	Van Honsebrouck
Scaldi's Amber (Bush Amber)	Dubuisson	Goose Island IPA	Goose Island
Timmerman Peche	Timmermans	Anchor Liberty Ale	Anchor
Guinness Special Export	John Martin	Singha	Boon Rawd (Tailand)
Val-Dieu Blonde	Val-Dieu	Achel Blonde	Trappists of Achel
Blanc de Bruxelles	Lefebvre	Achel Bruin	Trappists of Achel
Piraat	Van Steenberge	Ultrablond BC	Ecaussinnes
Kwak	Bosteel	Oude Gueuze BC	Oud Beersel
Schlenkerla Rauchbier	Heller Trum	Duvel	Moortgat
Weizenland Dunkel Weisse	Kaiserdom	Maisels Weisse	Maisels

GREAT HALL BEER LIST



A full flavoured bitter balanced with malt flavour, refreshing beer, using the best Fuggles and Goldings hops



Made to a traditional recipe. With its pale appearance and strong hoppy taste has all the characteristics of a genuine IPA



Fruity Fuggles hops married with bitter and spicy Golding hops beautifully balanced beer

BREWERY	BEER	ABV	TASTING NOTES
ABBEYDALE	AS YET UNNAMED	4.5%	Very hoppy, pale colour, highly aromatic
ABBEYDALE	AS YET UNNAMED	4.8%	Dark & bitter, full bodied, rounded with bitter flavours
ALCAZAR	DESERT FOX	4.3%	Cask conditioned lager - refreshing, packed with flavour
ALCAZAR	GAOLORS ALE	7.5%	Dark, amber, traditional old ale - robust, malty, spine tingling
BELVOIR	GORDON BENNETT	4.1%	Pale chestnut, refreshing, slight biscuity flavour, hoppy notes
BELVOIR	PIONEER	4.2%	Light, golden, delicious hoppy beer - lovely floral aroma
BLYTHE	BLYTHE BITTER	4.0%	A pale bitter, refreshingly citrussy from a good dose of cascade hops
BREWSTERS	BELLE STAR	4.8%	Wickedly seductive, wild golden and fruity
BREWSTERS	RUTTERKIN	4.6%	A rich full bodied bitter, with zesty hop flavour
BRUNSWICK	BRUNSWICK PILSNER	5.0%	Very pale, mellow, pilsner lager style beer
BRUNSWICK	RAILWAY PORTER	4.3%	Chocolaty, spicy fruity, deep, dark and dangerous
BURTON BRIDGE	BRITANNIA BITTER	4.6%	Golden, fresh in the mouth, slightly bitter, Styrian aroma
BURTON BRIDGE	DAMSON PORTER	4.5%	Slightly sweet- liquorice and damson mingle in the same glass. Imagine!
CASTLE ROCK	BLACK GOLD	3.5%	A dark ale with a slight bitterness but without undue sweetness.
CASTLE ROCK	HARVEST PALE	3.8%	Beautiful, pale, tasty beer brewed with an aromatic blend of American hops
DANELAW	CNUT	4.5%	Malty bitter, hoppy undertaste & aroma, dryish & bitter
DERBY	LION BREW	4.5%	Copper colour, trad bitter, packs your glass with hop aromas
DERBY	TRIPLE HOP	4.1%	Pale, smooth, distinctively hoppy - very easy drinking
FALSTAFF	LALORAIL	4.6%	Malty, creamy, smooth, almost toffee flavours - an Irish Red Ale style
FALSTAFF	WITCHES BREW	4.7%	Dark, bitter, dry - a good Irish stout
FULL MASH	GOLDEN MIST	5.5%	Trad hazy wheat beer - Slightly sweet with an orange/grapefruit twang
FUNFAIR	TOFFEE APPLE SURPRISE	TBC	Malt & hop blend to give a bonfire toffee colour, toffee apple overtones
HARDYS & HANSONS	DRUID'S DROOP	5.0%	Fruity, floral aroma, dry, bitter finish - a good summer ale
HARDYS & HANSONS	KIMBERLEY MILD	3.1%	Caramel sweetness mingles with rich chocolate flavours
HARDYS & HANSONS		4.3%	A well hopped premium bitter with a good balance of sweetness and robust bitterness to balance the sweetness
HAYWOOD	WOGGLE DANCE	4.5%	Full bodied ale brewed with with a good dollop of honey
HOLLAND	ELEANOR BEARE	4.5%	Chocolaty, fruity, hoppy - dark & mysterious as Derby's darkest landlady
JOHN THOMPSON	SUMMER GOLD	4.5%	Single malt, single hop. Pale, fruity with slight, refreshing sharpness
LEADMILL	BLACK WIDOW	5.5%	Rich, dry, smooth, black - a beer with a deadly bite!!
LEADMILL	OLD WHITE HORSE	5.0%	Pale Wheat Beer, nice fruity flavour, slight earthy undertones
LEATHERBRITCHES	HAIRY HELMET	4.7%	Very pale, fruity, zingy, refreshing - extremely quaffable
LEATHERBRITCHES	ROASTED BARLEY	5.0%	Roasty toasty, bitter sweet bitter. Slides silkily past the tonsils.
LEEK	COPPER CASCADE	4.0%	Light, super-refreshing lager style, mellow bitterness

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LEEK	LEEKENBRAU	5.0%	Copper and fruity, as in grapefruit & orange & lemon
MALLARD	DUCKTILE	4.1%	Floral, pale, slight sweetness, moorish -blonde lager style
MARSTON, THOMPSON & EVERSLED	BURTON BITTER	3.8%	Light, fruity beer with a touch of roasty flavour in the bitterness
MARSTON, THOMPSON & EVERSLED	OLD EMPIRE	5.7%	Stylish, malty sweet start, leaving you with a fruity bitterness
MARSTON, THOMPSON & EVERSLED	PEDIGREE	4.5%	Hoppy, fruity taste, touch of sulphur, dry bitter finish
MAYPOLE	MAYFAIR	4.1%	Lager style, slightly earthy, flowery, touch of bitterness
MILESTONE	CRUSADER	4.4%	Blonde Belgian style, mellow, citrus accents. Fit for a King
MILESTONE	IRON BREW	4.8%	Strong, dry, roast flavours complimented with a delicious bitterness
NOTTINGHAM	DREADNOUGHT	4.5%	Ruby colour - rounded, deep, malty flavours, throat tingling bitterness
OLD COTTAGE	ARCH ALE	5.5%	Dark and broody as a shadow at dusk
PARISH	PSB	4.0%	Golden copper colour, malty, good, bitter aftertaste
PEAK ALES	SWIFT NICK	3.8%	Crisp, refreshing, amber in colour. Quaffer's delight
SHARDLOW	PLATINUM BLONDE	5.0%	Blonde Bier, bit of a citrus fruit tang
SHARDLOW	WHISTLE STOP	5.0%	Pale, smooth, creamy, strong - beware!
THORNBRIDGE	BLACKTHORNE	4.4%	Light, golden, lemon & grapefruit aromas with a good bite of bitterness
TITANIC	ICEBERG	4.1%	Zesty, fruity, refreshing, tangy wheat beer
TOWER	DARK & DANGEROUS	6.0%	Rich, chocolaty, dry, dark & smooth
TOWER	SUNDOWNER	4.0%	Golden, crisp, subtly hoppy, delightful bitterness
TOWNES	LOWGATE LIGHT	4.1%	Light, refreshingly fruity wheat beer.
WHIM ALES	HARTINGTON BITTER	4.0%	Spicy, floral aroma, golden colour, fruit, zesty - dead easy to drink!!
WHIM ALES	AS YET UNNAMED	5.7%	Very citrusy, floral, a good bite - super pale!
WHITE SHIELD	1744 - A WELLIE RECIPE	4.4%	A Steve Wellington reincarnation brewed at White Shield to Steve's recipe!
WHITE SHIELD	ST MODWEN	4.5%	Light & fruity, apples, pears, oranges - touch of bitterness. Yum!
WHITE SHIELD	WHITE SHIELD	5.6%	A rare treat - this fruity and satisfying IPA on draught. Take advantage while you can
WICKED HATHERN	SOAR HEAD	4.8%	Dark, ruby bitter. Rich fruit taste and a mellow aroma



A rare treat at the Derby Fest - this clean, fruity, aromatic and satisfying IPA on draught. Take advantage while you can

Light & fruity pale coloured beer, apples, pears, and oranges shine through, finished with a little bitterness



Derby CAMRA are extremely impressed with the keen attitude of Rob and Adrian of Leek Brewery. So eagerly were they anticipating Derby Beer Festival they delivered their two beers a full month too early, causing great consternation at the Assembly Rooms!

DARWIN SUITE BEERS



It is anticipated one beer will feature from most of the following breweries. Many of the beers are new, so details are not known at the time of publication. See festival programme or the beer list in the Darwin Bar for details.

Bazens	City of Cambridge	Olde Swan	Cannon Royall
Beartown	Facers	Sarah Hughes	Church End
Beowulf	Halifax Steam	St George	Kinver
Black Country Ales	Hobsons	Steamin' Billy	Oakham
Bradfield	Hopback	Teme Valley	Toll End

BREWERY	BEERS	ABV	TASTING NOTES
RED ROSE	FELIX	4.2%	Dry, smooth, hoppy, pale
RED ROSE	CARE TAKER OF HISTORY	6.0%	Complex, dark copper- loadsa mouthfeel
PHOENIX	BLACK BEE	4.5%	Rich & dark with a hint of honey on the tongue
PHOENIX	WEST COAST IPA	4.6%	Pale, fruity, hoppy, quaff in quantity!!
EVERARDS	BEACON BITTER	3.8%	Traditional session ale - fresh, clean taste & lingering bitter finish
EVERARDS	ORIGINAL	5.2%	The elite of premium cask ales. Full-bodied and fruity, with a delicate hoppiness.
EVERARDS	SUNCHASER	4.0%	Pale ale, lager malt & hops, hints of peach & lychees
EVERARDS	TIGER BEST BITTER	4.2%	A true best bitter with a clean, malty, hoppy flavour & a delightful hoppy aroma
EVERARDS	NEW BEER		Not known as yet
FROG ISLAND	CROAK & STAGGER	6.0%	Honey & dark chocolate slide over your tongue
FROG ISLAND	NATTERJACK	4.8%	Smooth, golden, fruity, floral, hoppy
HOLDENS	BLACK COUNTRY MILD	3.7%	Beautiful, smooth, malty, dark mild - One of the best
HOLDENS	OLD NICK	4.2%	As yet unknown

CIDER & PERRY

Available in the Great Hall and Darwin Suites, John Reek of Merrylegs Cider has come up trumps with this year's selection.

Name	Approx ABV	Origin	Description
TROGGI PERAI	6.5%	Wales	Med dry, semi cloudy, all the way from Wales
WESTONS PERRY	4.5%	Herefordshire	Med sweet, clear, fruity - a good introduction to Perry
BROOME FARM PERRY	6.0%	Herefordshire	Dry, fruity - a delicious true Perry
DOUBLE VISION CIDER	7.5%	Kent	Clear, dry, wine like - sooo easy to drink
MAHORAL CIDER	8.0%	Shropshire	Dry cider, a hint of spirit from the casks in which its fermented
PERRY BROTHERS DABINET	6.0%	Somerset	Med cider made from the Dabinet cider apple
STOAT WOBBLER	5.5%	Cheshire	Easy going, orange coloured, med sweet cider
WILKINS CIDER	6.0%	Somerset	Sweet, cloudy & fruity - a good scrumpy style
AVALON CIDER	8.3%	Somerset	Trad straw pressed cider, sweet distinctive flavour. Cloudy

FRUIT WINES

This year's wines are being supplied by Lombard Wines of Newark. Vastly superior in quality to some more common brands, Sue Frecklington of Lombard Wines (Sue is Lombard Wines) ferments the wine on the fruit in the traditional way. No fermented sugar syrup with flavour added here!! Wine flavours are as yet unknown.

Festival Entertainment

Geno Washington, Jean Genie, Acoustic Folk, Celtic & Classic Rock, Jazz, Morris, Brass, Blues & Barbershop.

Take your choice from the above writes **Terry Morton, Entertainment Manager:** We do pride ourselves on giving a choice of musical styles, there is no shortage of bands wanting to jump on our beer wagon, plenty high on enthusiasm who failed to make the last cut. Thanks to all groups & individuals that contacted me. We also note festival goers do not want music all the time hence the Darwin Bar will be band-free on Wednesday and Thursday evening so enjoy the peace while you can. For music-lovers - read on.



Wednesday Evening

Derwent Brass Ensemble lead the parade, their diverse repertoire moves from concert bandstand items to popular easy listening bluesy numbers, tunes from old musicals, a big band set and foot-tapping swing.

Ripley Morris Men will give their usual opening night colourful performance of Cotswold dances, indebted to Cyril Sharpe who revived Morris Dancing last century. **Grand Central Chorus:** Owen Cash revived Barbershop singing in Tulsa in 1938 - this acapella style hit the UK in the early 1960s and there are now around 40 amateur men's chorus's in Britain. Tonight British Champions, Grand Central will give two short sets in the foyer starting at 9pm.

Thursday Evening

Tonight Generously sponsored by Finesse Hotels Ltd

Geno Washington & the Ram Jam Band (right) take the stage around 9.30pm. It's no tribute but the real thing. Geno first visited Derby's Clouds club in the early 1960s and was later immortalised by Dexy's Midnight Runners 1980 number one hit *Geno*. The old guru of soul, blues and R&B still gives out the magic with his irrepressible showmanship and high energy that keeps packing them in. His super tight band is one of the hardest working outfits in the country and the buzz around Derby indicates it will be a popular night.

Three Wheel Drive are delighted to take on the responsibility of warming up the atmosphere with a one-hour session of rock and blues beforehand.

Friday Evening

Tonight we are grateful to Coors for sponsorship

Fronted by Julie McClelland **The Band From County Hell** (left) make a

second festival visit. Modelled on the superb Pogues, this band will definitely go out to enjoy themselves. A seven-piece (Glasgow Irish roots) with a live show of acoustic Celtic rock, haunting ballads but mostly upbeat with fast and furious rhythms. Those at the front will definitely need their dancing shoes.

Piano man vocalist **Tony B** will be



gently warming up earlier with songs by Elton John, Billy Joel etc from 8pm.

In contrast **Gatecrasher** snapped up the invitation to handle the Darwin stage tonight. These classic rockers are one of the Midlands top cover bands, expert in delivery of stuff from the likes of Free, AC/DC, Deep Purple, Sabbath, Zeppelin, the Stones through to the Cult. Being a five-piece enables those dual guitars to really give it out. It doesn't come much better than this so check it out yourself!

Saturday Evening

The Beer Monsters may have recovered from the afternoon session to open up tonight. Their website www.soldiershaveabeer.co.uk indicates a liking for laughing juice.

This year's sole tribute band **Jean Genie** (below left) was formed following the discovery of David Bowie look & soundalike John Mainwaring. They soon became famous for their flamboyant stage show, complete with dazzling costumes and stunning lighting (the latter may be curtailed by the practicalities of the festival). Stand by for the hits like *Starman*, *Rebel Rebel*, *Life on Mars* through to *Lets Dance* and more up to date stuff plus great album favourites for the non-chartists.

Treebeard hold court in the Darwin, acoustic treatment of rock, pop and folk with six and twelve string guitars, mandolin, violin, bouzouki and balalaika. The unusual style is quite a hit with beer festivals countrywide.

LIVELY LUNCHTIMES

Thursday

Martin Attlebury at the theatre organ, a regular at the Tower wurlitzer, Blackpool with plenty of old time tunes to fit in with the city veterans awareness week, so don't be afraid to sing up.

Friday

Welcome return of the **Bill Bailey Jazzband**. Jazz from cocktail to dixieland but their main focus is always trad.

Saturday

Newcomers the **Beer Monsters**, a Nottingham band who have made a name for themselves at various Midlands beer festivals. Set includes rock covers, blues, R&B, 70s glam to 90s indie. It's the only music lunchtime in the Darwin with **Treebeard**.

Sunday

Yes **Three Wheel Drive** are back to bring the final session to a close with rock blues and guest musicians.

Magic

Derby Magician **Clivo the Clown** and assistant Jean appear Sat & Sun lunchtime in the foyer area. There will also be face painting - not always a good idea after five pints of Old Tom so best leave it to the kids eh?

As always if you want more room to move around, the least busy sessions are Wednesday evening along with Thursday & Friday lunchtime.

Have a good festival.

Terry Morton

Veterans at the Festival

What a coincidence, the government has decided to launch the first Veterans Awareness Week at the same time as the 28th Derby Beer Festival. Veterans Week starts a little earlier than our festival, on Monday 4th July and is a national project to make everyone more aware of the old soldiers contribution to our society today.

The Imperial War Museum is taking a travelling exhibition around the country called Their Past Your Future.

The centrepiece of this will be at the end of Sunday 10th July, which is World War Two national Commemoration Day. There will be a show on Horseguards Parade, a service of remembrance in Westminster Abbey, a flypast over Buckingham Palace and a lunch for veterans hosted by the Queen.

Also during the week a series

of wartime images will be projected onto Buckingham Palace.

With all this going on at the time of our festival we felt strongly that we should do something to relate to our local veterans. Of course Derby City Council, the tourist information and British Legion branches will all be organising activities.

At the Beer Festival we have dedicated Thursday lunchtime, July 7th as a special Veterans Lunchtime. There will be wartime music, flags and a special surprise for all veterans attending. If any readers of *Derby Drinker* know of any veterans please make them aware of this and bring them along for a nostalgic lunchtime.

To change the words of the old song... "There'll be bluebirds over the Assembly Rooms of Derby" at this very special time.

Les Baynton

Everards sponsor Darwin and open new tied house in Derby

Everards are sponsoring the Darwin Suite at the Derby Beer Festival. Their ales are renowned for their consistency and quality throughout the region. Tiger Best Bitter (4.2% ABV) is Everards flagship brand and

is brewed in Leicestershire alongside Beacon Bitter (3.8% ABV) and Premium Ale Original (5.2% ABV). All three ales are award winners, the most recent being Original winning gold in the Draught Cask Conditioned Ale (ABV 4.6 - 6.9%) class at the Brewing Industry International Awards 2004.

In addition to the core range, Everards Brewery also produce a range of seasonal ales available at various times of year. Previously a Summer seasonal beer, Sunchaser (4% ABV) is now available all year round. Brewed using lager hops, the ale is light and refreshing.

In January 2005, Everards unveiled a new look for its core ales and a new campaign 'Support Your Local' demonstrating Everards commitment to supporting local pubs and events and they are proud to support the Derby Beer Festival.

Locally the Five Lamps reopened as an Everards house in May complete with some free tastings and a talk about the brewery from Phil Douglas. Tiger and Sunchaser were available at the bar. Mine hosts Gordon Horrocks and Amit Zala have been at the Lamps for two years and are looking forward to the return of cask beer.

GET TO KNOW THE LOCALS



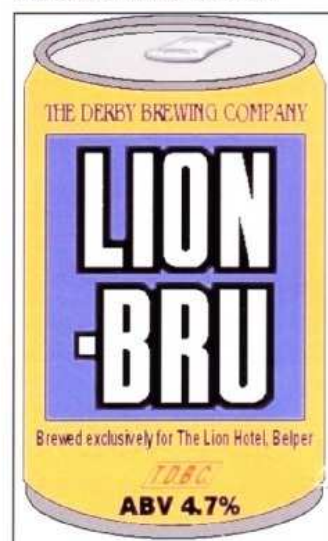
Finnese sponsorship and Lion Bru

Geno Washington and the Ram Jam Band will feature as Thursday night's entertainment at this year's CAMRA Beer Festival.

The event is kindly sponsored by Finesse Hotels, which includes the Lion Hotel in Belper, and the Donington Manor Hotel at Castle Donington. To coincide with the Finesse promotion a special ale is to be sold at the Lion Hotel, brewed by The Derby Brewing Company - "Lion Bru" (a light bitter ABV 4.7%).

James Blick, Managing Director of Finesse Hotels told the *Derby Drinker* "We are delighted to be associated with this years festival, and it is the policy of the Lion Hotel to continuously sell real ale, hence our own Lion Bru. It is a

pleasure to be sponsoring Geno Washington, and hope that everyone attending Thursday evening will have a wonderful time".



Kimberley- main hall sponsors Saturday night



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the Main Hall on Saturday; we thank them for their loyal support of our Festival.

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