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In the Sticks

Welcome to the latest issue of "In the Sticks" the newsletter of RuRAD, Rural Real Ale Drinkers. We hope you enjoy reading it.

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Number Crunching

In this issue we bring you news of 48 pubs in 26 different locations, 4 Breweries and 37 Beer Festivals.

Beer and Pub News

The **Grapes** boasts to be the only pub in **Belper** that holds the Cask Marque for the quality of its beer "Drink in Peace"

The **Corner Pin** at **Westwood** will be holding its 1st Beer Festival from Thursday 23rd April to Sunday 26th April. Sarah advises that she will have around 12 choices available, together with a limited edition souvenir festival glass. Food and entertainment will also be available. With the festival starting on St Georges Day, the theme will be "Battle of the Brewers", pitting small local micros "George" against the big PLC's "Dragon". Getting to the pub is very easy, as the Trent Barton Rainbow 1 from Alfreton stops at the bottom of Palmerston Street

The **Brickmakers** at **Newton Solney** re-opened recently after being closed for a month but with no food yet and only Hardys & Hansons on tap

Pedro and 'Er in Doors report that Brains Bread of Heaven has recently been available at the **Nags Head** at **Mickleover** and the **Yeaveley Arms** at **Yeaveley** continues to offer 4 well kept real ales

April 2009

Carl & Liz welcome you to the

GEORGE INN

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Only pub in Ripley in the 2009 Good Beer Guide.

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The **Green Dragon** at **Willington** is still very shut

The **Wheel** at **Holbrook** has now got regular guest beers appearing, some to feature have been Clarke's Rams Revenge, Wild Walker Old Big 'Ead and Abbeydale Absolution and on a recent AVC trip the Bombardier was on top form

It is reported that the **White Cow** at **Ikeston** has now closed down to become a Tesco Express

The **Cricketers** in **Kilburn** is closed

Local man Ian Darlington has signed a 5 year deal with Punch Taverns to become the new landlord of the **Cross Keys** at **Ockbrook** and though there is only Pedigree available at the moment it is hoped rotating guest beers will be available soon

The **Hop Inn** at **Openwoodgate** is having a mini beer festival 10th to 13th of April. 6 beers will be available from various brewers including Leeds, Triple FFF, Riverside, North Yorkshire and Shepherd Neame. On Friday there will be a Karaoke disco and on Saturday & Sunday there are two bands, Apollo Creed and a local Derby band Dead Factories with Monday being the quiet night

The **Bearded Theory Music Festival** is to be staged at **Hulland Ward** May 15th to 17th. The bar and beer is to be supplied by Derbyshire Ale Supplies and we are informed that Rob Roddy will be looking for bar staff in order to make this venture a success

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Colin's guest beers for April at the **Cross Keys Belper** include Amber Samuel Slater 4.5%, Thornbridge Lord Marples 4%, Derby Hop til you Drop 3.9%, Wirksworth First Brew 4.2%, Brampton Best 4.2%, Bateman's Eggs B 4.2%, Derventio Et tu Brutus 4.5%, Falstaff Fist full of Hops 4.5%, Hook Norton Hooky Gold 4.1%, Howard Town Dinting Arches 4.5%, Spire Twist and Stout 4.5%, Black Country BFG 4.2%, Townes Staveley Cross 4.3%, Whim Hartington Bitter 4% and Bateman's Dark Mild 3%

The **Red Lion** at **Riddings** is closed

On a recent visit to the **Needlemakers** at **Ikeston** there was a superb selection of ales including Blue Monkey Original 3.6%, Exmoor Hound Dog 4%, Butcombe Brunel IPA 5% and Holdens Springheel Jack and if that wasn't enough "mine host" Charlie even fetched some of the Blue Monkey Evolution from the cellar to sample...nice one

The **Generous Briton** at **Ripley** has reopened with just Tetley available at the moment

The **Holly Bush** at **Marehay** is rumoured to be opening in April selling a selection of ciders as well as real ale

Steady Steve at the **Royal Oak** at **Ockbrook** is repeating the very successful "Anniversary Beer Festival" that ran last May Day Bank Holiday. It will run from Friday May 1st to Monday May 4th but as we went to press not much information was forthcoming only that the 20 or so beers are going to be sourced from farther afield than last year...and your editor, again, is going to miss it

Amber Valley CAMRA Update

3rd April - 7.15pm meet Ripley Market Place for free bus to Ambergate, Bullbridge and Fritchley. Pick up from Alfreton and Belper on request only, phone to book. 14th April - 9.00pm **Lion Hotel**, Bridge St, **Belper** joint social with Derby Branch. 30th April - 8.30pm Branch Meeting at the **White Hart**, Church St, **Heage**. Contact Nathan on 01773 570675

Derventio Brewery have signed a lease to take additional buildings on their site at Trusley Brook Farm. The new buildings are to be used as conference & training facilities and are available to hire go to www.derventibrewery.co.uk for more info

In the Spring Issue of Beer News I read an article about top chef Marco Pierre White and

Clare welcomes you to the
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his restaurant pub, **Yew Tree Inn** near **Andover**. Staggered to read that his real ales are £4 a pint I never thought I would visit but as I was down that way, and the wife loves a culinary treat, we went for lunch. The food, service and place are first class. On offer were T.T. Landlord, Black Sheep, Butcombe Bitter and Mr Chubbs Lunchtime Bitter. I had the latter and it was fine but didn't see anyone else drinking beer although the place was full. Astronomic and gastronomic. What recession? To think I once complained about a £3 pint. There's one born every minute-The Escapist

Paul & Lyn welcome you to the
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Brewery News

Amber Ales-Ripley

www.Amberales.co.uk

info@amberales.co.uk

The latest beer from Pete and Andy is Samuel Slater 4.5%, named after an industrialist born in Belper - the third beer in the 'Amber Valley Heroes' series after Barnes Wallis 4.1% and Outram's 3.8%. Recent new beers have included Scary's Dark 3.5% - a mild produced with the help of the landlady of The **Corner Pin** at **Westwood**; and Terri's Chocolate Orange 4% - an orange and vanilla flavoured version of the award-winning Original Stout, named after one of the duty managers at The **Waggon & Horses** in **Alfreton**. Scary's Dark was featured at The **Old Oak Inn** beer festival at **Horsley Woodhouse** recently and the Chocolate Orange Stout has been ordered by Mansfield & Ashfield CAMRA for their next beer festival in early April! When not busy brewing, work continues on the new brewery across the yard from the current location

Bottle Brook-Kilburn

A new beer exclusive to the RuRAD Bar was Suck it and See at 5%

Falstaff-Derby

www.falstaffbrewery.co.uk

info@falstaffbrewery.co.uk

The latest beers in the constellations range are Vela a pale gold 4% , Aries a light brown 4.1% and Columba a light gold 4.1%

Leadmill-Denby

www.leadmillbrewery.co.uk

tlc@leadmill.net

Another new beer to appear at the RuRAD Bar was Local Hero 4.7% and is unlikely to appear anywhere else. Richard informs us that a beer festival is on the cards for the RuRAD Bar so watch this space!

Del & Rod's Real Ale Rambles

On Sunday 15th of March the planets were suitably aligned for Uncle Albert to join us (or could it have something to do with going up the lakes in a fortnight?) as we started our walk from the village of Monyash in the Peak District. We took the path down Lathkill Dale (you know I still haven't seen any water coming out of the cave where the river starts) having a look down the mine shaft at Bateman's House and seeing a few Dippers.....not down the mine shaft, on the river of course. It's a smashing stretch of path, even with all the tourists. We had a good pull up the road to **Over Haddon** where we called in the **GBG Lathkil Hotel** and had a choice from Tiger, Hartington Bitter, Anglo Dutch Apistus, Cottage Somerset & Dorset and Peak Ales Chatsworth Gold. Del & I went for the S&D (a typically delicious malty Cottage brew) and Uncle Albert had the Hartington and both were in fine form. From there we took the footpath past Bole Hill and Magpie mine to **Sheldon** where we called in the **Cock & Pullet** (Ooh Matron!)...no, no, no, a pullet is young hen that is yet to produce eggs! Here there was Blacksheep Bitter, Hartington Bitter and Landlord, the Blacksheep & Hartington were sampled and found to be satisfactory though from the inside of this rustic pub you'd think it was called the Clock & Pullet, even with the mainly trite selection this is worth a visit. And the barmaids red hair suited her far better than mine suited me! From Sheldon it was back to Monyash via Hard Rake, which is a microcosm apparently! Next time I put my boots on I'll be in the Lakes... Woo and most definitely Hoo!

Derek & Staff welcome you to the

PRINCE OF WALES

Butterley Hill, Ripley

4 Real Ales Available inc.

Marstons Pedigree & Taylor

Landlord. Beers for April are

Wells Bombardier 4.3%, Wadworth
St Georges Dragon 4.5%, St Austell

Proper Job 4.5%, Camerons

Nimmo's XXXX 4.4%, Thwaites

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Salisbury Plain? No, it isn't. Besides having a fine cathedral and Stonehenge to visit, it

has plenty of decent pubs and has five in the latest **GBG**. Whilst I visited only three of these, in a two-night stay in early March, there were some others of interest too. 2008 Salisbury Pub of the Year was the **Rai D'or**, translated means ray of light. This served very local and good tasting Downton Mad Hare and Gillingham Small Pauls and discounts on production of **CAMRA** card and also fine Thai food. Across the road was the **Queens Arms**, which had an old Ushers sign above it and served Ringwood, Banks and Brakspear Bitters and Hobgoblin. Nearby was the **New Inn**, which had Badger First Gold, Tanglefoot and Hopping Hare. Also in the same area was the **GBG Royal George**, which had Hopback **GBJ**, Sharps Doom Bar and Ringwood Bitter. An interesting pub in the City Centre was the **Haunch of Venison**, which had pewter covered bar and very old wood panelling behind which was an illuminated petrified hand said to have been there as a result of cheating at gambling. The beers on offer were Courage Bitter and Ringwood Old Thumper that wasn't bad. The other **GBG** pub visited was a drinkers bar packed full of locals, which served Hopback **GBJ** and very good Summer Lightning and Sharps Doom Bar. To beat the recession we stayed at the Wetherspoons Lodge, **Kings Head Inn** alongside the River Avon, on a two nights for the price of one deal. Unusual beers on offer were Banks and Taylor Golden Fox, Weymouth Harbour Master and Stonehenge Sign of Spring. The first two were good as nightcap drinks but the latter came the green colour of a pale gin bottle. Very strange and not much taste either. The only downside was the loud music in the 'Spoons bar on Thursday and Friday from disco's but by late on we fortunately didn't take much rocking - The Escapist

Tracey and all the staff welcome
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On Friday 27th after discovering in InnSpire that there was a beer festival at the **Elm Tree** at **Elmton Loco** and I decided to pay a visit. On the way we called in the **Horse & Groom** at **Scarcliffe** where I was tempted to have Tetley but plumped for one of the guest beers, the name of which escapes me. We then proceeded to the festival where I sampled Butcombe Brunel IPA and Exmoor Hound Dog whilst Loco, who was driving, went for the Harvest Pale. Also on offer was Clarke's Classic Blonde, Brampton Impy Dark & Golden Bud, Copper Dragon Golden Pippin plus 5 or so more, not bad for a first attempt. After a guided tour of

Bolsover, complements of Loco, we ended up at the **Arkwright Arms at Sutton cum Duckmanton** where we sampled a very average from Sheffield Brewery before we headed home - Charisma

Olive, Sally, Jean & Steve welcome you to the

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Anniversary Beer Festival

1st to 4th May

On Friday March 20th I met up with Charisma Bypass at Derby station to catch the 5.28 to **Sheffield**, the one we ended up catching was an hour late and departed at 5.45-ish and got us into Sheffield at just after 6.15. We headed straight to the **Harlequin** on Nursery St for their beer festival, neither of us knowing quite how to get there but working it out between us easily enough.....we usually just follow Sooty & 2 Gallon Man. On arrival the pub wasn't as busy as we'd anticipated but still doing a good trade with 4 or 5 of the beers having already gone and several, as Mike Knowles informed us, very close. There were 40 or so beers on the list with 16 available on the bar at any one time but also request forms were available for cellar runs for those yet to appear. I started off with Wagtail Goldrush 4% and Hart of Stebbing Hart & Soul 4.2% and Charisma had Beeston Bottom Lip 4.2% and Wagtail Plan B 4%. Someone ordered a Hart of Stebbing Black Hart, which I ended up wearing when it tipped over! We managed to get a seat and filled in a cellar run form from which I had Cliff Quay Black Jack Aniseed Porter 4.2%, Earl Soham Brandeston Gold 4.5% and Hopshackle Special No1 Bitter and Charisma went for the Hopshackle as well plus Mallinson's Spring in your Step 4.6% and Mill Green Good Ship Arbella 5.4%, which smelled and tasted a little like Stilton.....glad I never went for that one. We decided to move on to the **Fat Cat** where from the stunning array of beer we both went for Grindleton Old Fecker 4% and the National POTY the **Kelham Island Tavern**, which was appositely packed, I had Sheffield Stout, Charisma had something eminently forgettable. Final port of call was the **Riverside** where we had Sheffield 5 Rivers and Crown Art Blakey and chilled out for a bit on a soporific sofa. We decided to get an earlier train and we got some food from Burger King, Charisma didn't leave it on the counter! Back in **Derby** we had time for a half in the **MetroBar** (Palmer's Bitter & Camerons White Rabbit) before heading for our buses and vowing to visit Sheffield more often - Ed

On Sunday 8th March, LJE and I caught the 1101 HST off Derby to Leicester and walked to

the **Cow and Plough** at **Oadby**. Beers available were Harviestoun Bitter and Twisted, Fullers London Pride, Marston Moor Brewers Drop (5.0%), plus 4 offerings from Steamin' Billy: Scrumdown Mild (4.0%), Billy's Porter (4.2%), Bitter (4.3%) and Skydiver (5.0%). We had good pints each of both the Mild and Porter. Onwards to the centre of Oadby and the **Wheel Inn** where we had a pint of the guest beer JW Lees Hopping Mad (3.5%), with Bass and Pedigree also available. We called in at the Wetherspoons in both Oadby and Wigston before arrival at the **Star and Garter** in **Wigston**. Beers available here were Everards Beacon and Tiger, Fullers London Pride and Fox Mr Tod (4.2%) - both the Tiger and Mr Tod were in good order. We next called in at the **Aberdale** in West Knighton, which had Everards Beacon and Tiger plus Fullers London Pride - we opted for Tiger. The next venue was the **Black Horse** at **Aylestone**, which had Bath SPA as the guest plus Everards Beacon, Tiger, Sunchaser, Old Original and All Black (4.3%) - we had the All Black, which went down a treat. We then walked back into **Leicester** as the last bus from Aylestone on Sunday is 1822. We called in at the recently re-opened **Queen Victoria** and had a pint of Oakham JHB as the only other beer on was an 8.1% offering from Bells (the name eluded me). There were also a number of hand pumps with the clips reversed, which had apparently "gone" over the weekend - business must have been good then! We caught the 2050 HST back to **Derby** for the obligatory pints of Dashingly Dark in the **Brewery Tap** before our buses home.

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Do you have any information about Pentrich and the surrounding area from the 50's & 60's for a short film called "Drinking with Derbyshire Countrymen"? Any history of pubs or farming from around that time would be gratefully received especially any information about an old butchers van with the license plate FMU 638 that had the name George Hule on it. Please contact

Ashley on 07912 516185 with any information or ashley@deltatacho.net

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For further details contact Dave Tizard

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I was over in Japan recently for the New Years Grand Sumo Tournament and was pleasantly surprised by the wide range of real ales available. **Aldgate**, located in central **Tokyo**, is a pub worth a mention. I called in after seeing "Glasvegas" at the liquid rooms and was greeted by the inspiring sight of 19 draught beers on offer. Some of which included Aldgates very own, Aldgate Ale 5%, Yona Yona 5.5%, Harry Porter 6%, Isekadaya Pale Ale 5%, Baird IPA, Preston Stout, London Pride. Abbot Ale and the delectable Old Speckled Hen. Guest ales available on the night were Rogue Shakespeare Stout from the US of A Swan lake Rye Ale 5%, Echigo Pale Ale 5% and our very own John Smiths. I opted for the smokey but excellent Harry Porter and settled in for the duration. Aside from the fine Ale on offer Aldgate also has an extensive range of music, all on glorious vinyl and played on request by the boss, Anaka San, who prefers to play British music only. A true anglophile with good taste. Next day I paid a visit to the **Yebusi Beer Museum** where the Japanese have been brewing their fine Yebusi beer since 1870. A very interesting place, especially when I came across their tasting lounge with 5 different Yebusi beers all on draught and all waiting to be sampled. First up Yebusi Major Weiss (very Germanic), then Yebusi Major Ale (very mild), then Yebusi Premium Malt & Premium Red (both fine tasting beers) and finally the excellent Yebusi Black. All at 5.5% the best by far was Yebusi Black, a fine stout with a lovely roast caramel taste to it. Very nice indeed. Well lubricated I headed to the nearby **Inishmore** pub, an Irish/Japanese bar that served Tokyo Black, Yebusi Premium Red & Aldgate Yona Yona ale, Bass, Kilkenny and, of course, Guinness. I had been informed that the Tokyo Black was a firm favourite at last years Wetherspoons beer festival so I went for it, as you do, and was not disappointed. It was getting late so on my way home I called into Footnik, a sports bar very close to Yebusi subway station in order to catch up with the Sumo. A decent pub with Yona Yona ale, Premium Red, Kilkenny and London Pride all on offer. I settled for a pint of Yona Yona and some sushi before heading home. Sumo, raw fish and Japanese real ale, top indeed, or as they say in Japan "Sergoy" - Davo (Thanks for the can - Ed)

Proposed Trips

9th May Train trip visiting GBG & NI pubs in Liverpool. Contact Rodders for details (after 6pm by phone)

30th May Train trip visiting GBG pubs in Wakefield. Contact Charisma for details

Beer Festival Diary - Near and Not so Near

2nd to 5th April Grapes Beer Festival, High St-Belper

2nd to 5th April 18th Mansfield Beer Fest, Intake Club, Kirkland Avenue-Mansfield , 80+ Beers & Ciders

9th to 12th April 5th Annual Alma Inn Beer Fest, 59 Derby Road, Melbourne-Derby 15 Ales Tel 01332 695200

10th to 13th April Victoria Easter Beer Festival, Dovecote Lane-Beeston, Nottingham 50+ Beers

10th to 13th April Hop Inn Beer Festival, Sandbed Lane-Openwoodgate, Belper

10th to 13th April Harboro Hotel Beer Festival, Burton St - Melton Mowbray

10th to 13th April Arkwright Arms Beer Fest, Sutton cum Duckmanton-Chesterfield , 30 Welsh Beers Tel 01246 232053

11th to 17th April Thornbridge Beer Festival at The Rising Sun, Middleton-by-Wirksworth, 10 Thornbridge Beers

15th April to 4th May The Worlds Biggest International Beer Festival, All Wetherspoons www.jdwetherspoons.co.uk

23rd to 25th April Coopers Tavern/Devonshire Arms Joint Beer Festival, Cross St/Station St-Burton on Trent

23rd to 25th April Bold Forester Beer Festival, Botany Ave-Mansfield

23rd to 26th Air Hostess Beer Festival, Stanstead Avenue, Tollerton-Nottingham

23rd to 26th April King William IV Beer Festival, Derby Rd-Milford

23rd to 26th April Corner Pin Beer Festival, Palmerston St-Westwood

30th April to 3rd May Poet & Castle Beer Festival, Alfreton Rd-Codnor

1st to 4th May Royal Oak Anniversary Beer Festival, Green Lane-Ockbrook

15th to 16th May Barrow Hill Beer Festival, Roundhouse, Campbell Drive, Barrow Hill-Chesterfield 140+ beers. Admission by ticket £5, £6 on the gate

22nd to 25th May White Post Beer Festival, Belper Rd-Stanley Common

26th to 28th June White Post Beer Festival, Belper Rd-Stanley Common

2nd to 6th April New Oxford Spring Beer Festival, Bexley Square , Trinity Way , Salford-Gtr Manchester 50 Ales

9th to 11th April Victoria Beer Festival, 48 John Bright St-Birmingham, 2 min From New St 15 Cask Ales

9th to 12th April Bitter Suite Beer Festival, 53 Flyde Road-Preston 30+ Ales

9th to 13th April Charters Easter Beer Festival, Town Bridge-Peterborough , 50+ Ales www.bluesontheboat.co.uk

10th to 13th April 14th Easter Beer Festival, The Green Man, 29 Scotgate-Stamford , up to 50 Ales

10th to 13th April 2nd Wapping Beer Festival, The Baltic Fleet, 33 Wapping-Liverpool 30 Wapping Beers

10th to 13th Barnsley Beer Festival, Milton Hall, Fitzwilliam Street-Elsecar 40 Ales www.yourpint.com

10th to 13th April The George Inn Beer Festival, Castle St-Eccleshall 15 Ales Tel 01785 850300

16th to 13th April Charters Beer Festival, Town Bridge-Peterborough

16th to 19th April Harlequin Beer Festival, Nursery St-Sheffield www.theharlequinpub.co.uk

20th to 25th April The Merchants Inn Beer Festival, Little Church Street-Rugby 80+ Ales www.merchantinn.co.uk

22nd to 26th April Ship & Mitre Beer Festival, 133 Dale St-Liverpool 100 Ales www.theshipandmitre.com

22nd to 26th April St Georges Beer Festival, Cow & Plough, Stoughton Park Farm, Gartree Road, Oadby-Leicester

23rd to 25th April Wellington Beer Festival, Bennetts Hill-Birmingham www.thewellingtonrealale.co.uk

23rd to 25th April 3rd Skipton Beer Festival, Town Hall, High St-Skipton 60+ Ales

23rd to 25th April Maltings Beer Festival, Tuckers Maltings, Teign Road-Newton Abbott Over 240 Ales

24th to 25th April Chippenham Beer Fest, Studio Hall, Monkton Park , Chippenham 90+ Ales

24th to 26th April The Loweswater Real Ale Festival, Kirkstile Inn-Loweswater, Cumbria 20 Ales

We advise confirmation of dates and times before attending the above festivals, as changes may occur.

Well that's all for this issue folks however if you have any information or news which could be included in a subsequent issue of "In the Sticks" please contact Charisma Bypass on 07974 171243/charismabypass2005@yahoo.co.uk or Rodders on 07964 492569/uplonkerr Rodney2006@yahoo.co.uk by the 23rd of the month.

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH: "I feel sorry for people who don't drink. When they wake up in the morning, that's as good as they're going to feel all day." - Frank Sinatra