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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 33 pubs in 20 different locations, 4 Breweries and 45 Beer Festivals.

Beer and Pub News

The Marlpool brewery, which is situated behind the Queens Head, will be a 2½ barrel plant, the kit believed to be purchased from Dave Tizard of Fun Fair Brewery. The man behind the venture is Andy McAuley and he is hoping to be operational by the beginning of May

Reports have reached us that the New Inn at Heanor is starting to have some interesting guest beers

The Anchor at Oakerthorpe has had a selection of new beers from Cropton Brewery including a real lager Cropton German Style Lager Beer, which is hoped will be a better alternative to the present "fizz". Other beers include Dutch Wink, Britannia, Old Goat, Yorkshire Warrior and Winters Tale

The White Hart at Duffield has a house beer, White Hart Pale Ale a 4.2% session beer brewed by Derby Brewing Co. The landlord also hopes to increase the number of guest beers when the warm weather comes...if it ever does (you mean it gets warmer than this? - Ed)

April 2010

THE GRAPES

High Street, Belper
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SPRING BEER FESTIVAL

8th to 10th APRIL
18 REAL ALES

MUSIC **FOOD**
A proper beer festival!
Beer served straight
from the cask

The Good Old Days at Ilkeston is reported to be for sale

The Thorn Tree, Woodlinkin is to become a chip shop

The White Hart at Heage is reported closed and boarded up and the Generous Briton at Ripley is also reported to be closed

Fun Fair Brewery are brewing a new house beer for the White Post at Stanley Common called Winning Post 4.5%

A cycling trip on 28th February enabled a visit to the Ostrich at Longford, a Marstons pub with a recent new landlord. It was a friendly locals' pub, deserving of a further visit with good value food and both the Pedigree and Wychwood Dirty Tackle were pretty good

NAGS HEAD

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Dogs Welcome

April 23rd St Georges Day
Charity Event
"Help the Heroes"

Free Copy

Amber Valley CAMRA Update

1st April - Foolish crawl 8pm Thorn Tree Inn, Church St, Waingroves; 9pm Codnor Inn, Jessop St; 10pm Poet and Castle, Codnor. 2nd to 5th April Beer festival Talbot Taphouse, Butterley Hill, Ripley. 17th April - 7pm Ripley Market Place, free bus trip surveying various pubs. For Alfreton and Belper pick ups please contact Nathan. 29th April 8.30pm Branch meeting Thorn Tree Inn, Church St, Waingroves. Contact Social Secretary, Nathan 01773 570675

Thornbridge Kipling and Sharps Doom Bar have been seen recently at the Dog, Pentrich

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On 20th March a walking trip from Allestree to Duffield enabled visits to 3 pubs not visited for years. The White Hart had expensive beers at £3 a pint and had become more like a restaurant than a pub; the beers were Landlord, Pedit & another national I cannot recall. Moving swiftly on to the Kings Head, I tried the Olde Tripp with Jaipur & OSH also available. On to the Patten Makers, which was sparsely attended to begin but numbers grew shortly before my departure - coincidental? I had a Bishops Farewell before sampling a decent Bass from the jug with Pedit and Landlord the other offerings

CRICKET 2010 - Although we do not have a fixture versus the Australian national team this year, we would like a few more cricket players/drinkers for the 2010 season to play friendlies every week on varied evenings, followed by real ale drinking. The team is run on a social basis with drinking trips in winter, you do not have to be great and our average age must be at least 45. There are also a few Sunday matches and overall we get to visit many pubs over quite a wide area from May to September. So if you are keen and like a drink after (or instead of, in bad weather) contact Chris on 07896 678577 for details

Paul & Lyn welcome you to the

WHITE POST

Belper Rd, Stanley Common

Tel: 0115 930 0194

Opening Times: Closed Mon (except
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event on May 2nd for "Help the Heroes" where Leon plans to have live bands on all day and 6 to 8 real ales available, sounds like it could be worth a visit. Also In Holbrook the **Spotted Cow**, where despite its reputation for food, does a range of 4 real ales, which on a recent visit were Derby Afternoons Delight, Blue Monkey 99 Red Baboons & Original and Black Hole Cosmic. Up the road at the **White Hart, Bargate Julie & Malc Fletcher** (after running the pub on a temporary basis) have now put in to run it permanently. Here I found Pedi, OSH and H&H Bitter and they hope to increase this to 4 with Malc informing me that he has a free hand at the moment to put on what he likes and is trying to get Towd Man from Wirksworth Brewery. In **Milford** I paid a visit to the **New Inn** (I have not been here for years) where Carly the landlady told me that the pub was mainly food orientated but got a good turn out of locals at the bar where there was OSH & GK IPA. The **King William IV** down the road seems to be going from strength to strength with 4 ales on that get rotated on a regular basis with a board up telling what beers are coming on. With a regular beer festival to coincide with St Georges Day (22nd to 25th April) it is always worth a visit. The **Strutt Arms** has gone through a bit of turmoil as regards tenants but Nicole & Emma are now running the pub and have been since mid-January. They specialise in home cooked food and the Sunday lunch is a very reasonable £5, entertainment is also planned for the St Georges day weekend with a band (Dammit Jack) and karaoke being the main attractions. I only found Pedi on hand pump but this could possibly increase in future. Finally to **Makeney** and the **Holly Bush**, a classic real ale pub where (despite all the rumours as to who is or isn't going to run the pub) Andy is still there and had a beer festival at the end of march with 20+ beers being available

RuRAD Supporting local beer festivals

Supporting local small beer festivals I went over the border to **Nottingham** and the **Moot Hall** where they had 16 beers on. I first decided to try one from Salopian Brewery, Shropshire Gold 3.8% a light copper coloured ale. There were also beers from Saltaire, Great Newsome, Holdens, Loddon, Ossett & Phoenix. A good little festival but not very well supported. Having just finished a week of nights Alfreton Mark and I went to Coventry Beer Festival at the rugby club, which is a good venue - clean and warm - with 90 beers on sale. There were 76 different breweries, new and small and also the well known ones. I started off with Beowulf Swordsman, a pale hoppy bitter at 4.5% followed by Church End Survivale 5.7%, Halfpenny Anniversary Ale 4.2%, and Kelburn Red Smiddy 4.1%. On the way home we called at the Loughborough festival, one which I

had never been to before. They had a good selection of 75 beers of which I started with Oakham Chaos Engine a light straw coloured 4.1% ale. With time getting on a few more beers from Tring, Hopdaemon, Hammerpot, Brentwood and Allendale before it was time to depart, a long but good day out - Fly South

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Brewery News

Buxton-Buxton

www.buxtonrealale.co.uk

SPA 4.1% a light refreshing ale, Quinns Rustic Irish Stout 4.2% a classic dry stout, Blonde Ale 4.6% a crisp clear ale and Kinder Sunset 5% a ruby red malty ale all appeared at Leicester Beer Festival

Derby Brewing Co-Derby

www.derbybrewing.co.uk

As usual a new selection of Trevor's beers have appeared at the Brewery Tap during March which were Absolute Belter 4.5%, Thirsty Fox 4.2%, After Midnight 4.4%, Golden Grace 4.2%, Hoptiferous 4.5% and Pale Tranquility 4.5%

Leadmill-Denby

www.leadmillbrewery.co.uk

March Violet 5.3% was a new beer to get it's first outing at the RuRAD Bar whilst later on in March Old Oak Pale Ale 4% was on the **Old Oak Inn** bar. Richard continues to supply the **Thorn Tree** at **Waingroves** with their house beer Middle Piddle and has recently done beer swaps with Titanic, Leatherbritches and Wirksworth

Wirksworth-Wirksworth

www.wirksworthbrewery.com

The brewery continues to retail beers direct from the brewhouse on Friday and Saturdays. A selection of beers are available in containers ranging from 2 pints through to 9 gallon casks, Bunny Hops 4.4% is available again along with Snowfield 5% and a couple of Jeff's regular beers. At the start of May Wirksworth Brewery will launch Three Lions, a 4.5% beer to celebrate this summers World Cup. To purchase any beers or for further information please contact Jeff Green on 01629 824011 or visit their website

Charisma's local round up

The **Dead Poets** at **Holbrook** has been voted Amber Valley CAMRA Pub of the Year from a short list of 8. Congratulations to Bill & Sue who received the award on March 11th, Bill was naturally pleased but said it was more for the bar staff and the people that drank in the pub. Well done, long overdue I think. Meanwhile at the top of Chapel St the **Wheel** plan to have a charity

On March 17th St Patrick's day I decided to pay a visit to the **George & Dragon** Padfest beer festival in **Belper**, on entering I was met by a few lively lads who were Charisma Bypass, HQ, and Smiler the bus driver who were already imbibing heavily. The theme was of course Irish with 22 ales to choose from with 6 of them coming from Ireland, we all tried Galway Hooker Belfast Blonde 4.3%, Broad Black Brian Boru Bitter 5%, Eireann Golden Celt 4.8%, & Pearse's Ronnie Drew Brew 5.5% and were very impressed with the quality and flavours. Other Irish themed beers came from Tower, Falstaff, Cottage, Slater's, Messrs Maguire, College Green, Spire, Derventio, Church End, Red Rose and Funfair. All in all it was a very impressive beer list with quality to match which meant us having to stay and try as many beers as time would allow, look out for there next fest 24th to 27th June with approximately 25 ales - Sooty

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The Beer Festival at the **Needlemakers Arms, Ilkeston** in the first week of March was a cosy affair with a good atmosphere. Two ciders and I reckon 14 beers were available and many of them light coloured brews. Supplies were running low or completely out by early evening Saturday. Burton Bridge Porter was lovely and only avoided again to sample some others. Nutbrook Bitlyke and

Beartown Ginger Bear were equally good. The Shardlow Golden Hop was a little down on taste but drinkable and the Old Bristolian Cider was moreish so I enjoyed my stay. The following day a walk past The **White Post** at **Stanley Common** found Slater's Top Totty, which was good as was Consett White Hot. Lack of time meant a beer from Hadrian and Border was not tried. Pity, but it was a great day for walking. The **Punch Bowl, West Hallam** continues with the regular Timothy Taylor Landlord from the jug and Pedigree and recently Castle Rock Hemlock Bitter and Thornbridge Jaipur and Lord Marples. This was a nice selection, which was replaced by Nottingham's Rock Bitter and Legend, and Derby Hop Til You Drop. Guinness was £2 a pint for St Paddy's Day and Spire 80 Shill'ale'e was very good. Having been to the Derby Tap one night for a short session I dropped off the Bus at The **White Hart, West Hallam** and saw Pedigree, Ruddles and coped with a just drinkable pint of GK Abbot. My judgement was not clouded by earlier brews taken - The Escapist

sample the beers on my hit list due to my shift pattern, shame really - Charisma

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On Saturday March 6th the first of what we hope will continue to be a monthly trip departed from the **Old Oak Inn** at **Horsley Woodhouse** for the **Needlemakers** beer festival and after checking the pub for late stragglers the old Routemaster type double decker, which originated from Eastbourne set off for **Ilkeston**. With a selection of 3 on the bar and about 12 in the festival there was something for most peoples taste buds, though the Jaipur had already sold out. With 40-odd people on the bus I thought the bar staff would struggle but everyone got their fill before we left for the **Queens Head** at **Marlpool**. This had a vast selection of 12 to 15 beers, a bit like going to another beer festival, with a selection from Thornbridge, Oakham and Summerwine to name but a few the beer, by now, was starting to go down a treat. The **Codnor Inn** at **Codnor** was the next destination and one of the reasons we decided to call here was that there never seems to be many people in the pub so we thought we would try and fill it up and to their credit they put on an excellent spread including pork pie, pizza, sausage rolls etc. The Castle Rock Screech Owl went down very well here. A short trip saw us arrive at the **Anchor** at **Oakerthorpe**, another out-of-the-way pub that could do with some support. On route it soon became apparent that a certain person had got left behind at the Codnor Inn so had to get a taxi to catch up, to loud applause Lol turned up with smoke coming out of his ears (only joking). There was Old Goat 8%, Cropton IPA, Monkman Slaughter on the bar and not forgetting German Style Lager Beer. Next we alighted in **Ripley** outside that **Nags Head** and **Talbot Taphouse** and when I appeared at the bar of the Nags I was greeted by Martin the Landlord who promptly put a half of Abbeydale Last Rites (not "Rights" - Ed) in my hand bless him. It made sense to have a choice of 2 pubs to reduce the waiting time. It proved tricky but we managed to park

outside the **Thorn Tree** at **Waingroves** where hot roast potatoes were passed around the drinkers. Elland Amnesia 5.8% was nectar. Then we ended up back at the Old Oak where it all becomes a blur. Thanks to Big Chris who organised the bus and the bus driver Andy for a great evening out. I think everyone enjoyed it as the next trip on April 24th to Willington and Burton on Trent was full within 3 hours of announcement - Charisma

Friday 19th of March saw our first trip of the year to the Lakes and for the first time Uncle Albert, Del Boy & I were joined by Hawaii 50, Queenie had entrusted us with his well being....foolishly. It took us 3 hours to get to **Mungrisedale**, where I noticed the Mill Inn was another Jennings pub lost to Robinson's and vowed never to go in it again. We parked up in Mosedale and set off up the valley to join the Cumbria Way, seeking shelter briefly in the bothy on Great Lingy Hill to tog up against the wind. The summit of High Pike 2157ft was bagged before moving on to Carrock Fell 2174ft from where we took a rather unorthodox descent...one of our specialities. All shattered and desperate for a drink - chilled goat wee would have done- we settled for the **Mill Inn**, where there was Cumbria Way, XB, Dizzy Blonde & Dragons Fire available. Del & I went for the Dragons whilst Uncle Albert & H50 went for the Dizzy, with which H50 was enamored. That evening we decided to take H50 to one of the lesser-known real ale hostelrys in **Keswick**, the **Square Orange** where there was Keswick Squorange and Hesket Newmarket Doris' 90th Birthday before moving on to the inimitable **GBG Dog & Gun**. With Keswick Thirst Blossom & Fall, Hawkshead Best Mum in the World, Loweswater Grasmoor Dark & Langdale and OP we managed to get a seat and saw out the night before procuring a fish & chip supper. The following day after bagging Sale Fell, Ling Fell and Rannerdale Knotts the post walk refreshments were taken in the **Bridge Hotel** at **Buttermere** where there was Blacksheep Bitter (on a trendy new handpump) and Hawkshead Lakeland Gold & Buttermere Bitter. Again most of the evening was spent in the D&G but H50 was hankering for some more Dizzy Blonde so we finished the night in the **Packhorse Inn**, a Robinson's pub where the beer was rubbish. The moral of the story is, a good pint of Robinson's is the exception rather than the rule - Ed

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A visit to Burton beer festival on a wet Friday evening in March proved to be fruitful as they were showcasing beers from East Anglia, beers tried were Opa Hay's Fruity Little Number 3.9%, Elmtree Bitter 4.2%, Blackfriars Whyte Angel 4.5%, Enville Cherry Blonde 4.3%, Coachhouse Passion Fruit 5%, Muirhouse Stumbling Around 5.2% & Quartz Crusade 4.8%. Beer of the festival for me though was Blackfriars Winter Ale 6% brewed in Great Yarmouth a dark rich spiced warming ale, over 100 ales were available with a fair number 7% and above beer prices were a bit on the premium side in my opinion but I think the days of cheaper beer at beer festivals has long gone - Sooty

On Thursday 11th March I paid a visit to the **Old Poets Corner** at **Ashover** for their beer festival and to drop off some newsletters. There were some 46 beers on the menu plus a selection of ciders and after perusing the list I came up with 4 beers I really wanted to sample, these being Caledonian Old seadog 5.2%, Crown IPA 7.2%, Kelham Island captain IPA 6% & Peerless Full Whack 6% (I hope you weren't driving - Ed) but unfortunately there was only a small selection on the bar Thursday so I had to settle for Bishops Farewell and Imperial Red. I never got back to

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Beer Festival Diary - Near and Not so Near

- 1st to 4th April New Inn Beer Festival, High Street-Riddings 8 Ales + 4 Ciders Tel 01773 602570
1st to 4th April Alma Inn Beer Festival, 59 Derby Road-Melbourne
2nd April Onwards 13th Easter Beer Festival, The Arkwright Arms-Sutton cum Duckmanton, Chesterfield
2nd to 5th April 1st Talbot Taphouse Beer Festival, Butterley Hill-Ripley
2nd to 5th April Horse Chestnut 4 Counties Beer Festival, Main Road-Ratcliffe on Trent, Nottinghamshire
2nd to 5th April The Chesterfield Beer Festival, Church Street-Bingham, Nottinghamshire
2nd to 5th April Victoria Hotel Easter Beer Festival, Dovecote Lane-Beeston (Up To 30 Beers Featured At One time)
4th to 7th April Unicorn Winter Beer Festival, Repton Rd-Newton Solney
7th to 25th April Wetherspoons Beer Festival, All Wetherspoon Pubs www.jdwetherspoon.co.uk
8th to 10th April Grapes Beer Festival, High St-Belper
22nd to 25th April Cross Keys Beer Festival, Market Place-Belper
22nd to 25th April Steam Packet Beer Festival, Derby Rd-Swanwick
22nd to 25th April The Good Old Days Beer Festival, 93 Station Road-Ilkeston 20 Ales
22nd to 25th April King William IV Beer Festival, The Bridge-Milford, Belper
22nd to 25th April St Georges Day Beer Festival, Air Hostess, Stanstead Avenue-Tollerton 20+ Ales (8 at any one time)
22nd to 25th April Coopers Tavern Beer Festival, Cross Street-Burton-on-Trent 25+ Ales, 10 Ciders Tel 01283 532551
22nd to 25th April Gatehouse St Georges Day Beer Festival, Tollhouse Hill-Nottingham, 7 St Georges Day Special Beers
23rd to 25th April Corner Pin Beer Festival, Palmerston St-Westwood, Nottingham
29th April to 3rd May Poet & Castle Beer Festival, Alfretton Rd-Codnor
30th April to 3rd May Royal Oak Anniversary Beer Festival, Green Lane-Ockbrook
21st to 22nd May Barrow Hill Roundhouse Beer Festival, Campbell Drive, Barrow Hill-Chesterfield (Admission £6 by ticket, £7.50 on the gate)
28th to 30th May The Stag Beer Festival, Nottingham Road-Kimberley
28th to 31st May Stumble Inn Beer Festival, Tamworth Rd-Long Eaton
24th to 27th June George & Dragon Beer Festival, Bridge St-Belper

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2nd to 4th April Green Man Beer Festival 29 Scotgate-Stamford 35+ Ales & Cider
2nd to 5th April George Inn Easter Beer Festival, Castle Street-Eccleshall, Staffordshire 15 Ales
2nd to 11th April Beers of Cumbria Festival, The Watermill Inn-Ings Village, nr Windermere, Cumbria 24 Handpumps
8th to 10th April 20th Doncaster Beer Festival, The Hub, Chappel Drive-Doncaster 90+ Ales
9th to 10th April Lichfield Beer Festival, Lichfield Guildhall, Bore Street-Lichfield 35 Ales
14th to 17th April Newcastle Beer Festival, Student Union, King's Walk-Newcastle upon Tyne 115 Ales www.cannybevvy.co.uk
15th to 17th April Wreake Valley Rotary Club, 6th Real Ale Festival, Syston Community Centre-Leicester 30 Ales
19th to 25th April English Seaside Beer Festival, The Merchants Inn, 5 Little Church Street, Rugby 100+ Ales
21st to 23rd April Jolly Brewfest, Jolly Brewer, 1 Foundry Road-Stamford 15+ Ales
22nd to 25th April St Georges Day Beer Festival, The Criterion 44 Millstone Lane-Leicester Tel 0116 2625418
22nd to 26th April Coalheavers Arms Beer Festival, 5 Park St, Woodston-Peterborough 40+ Ales Cider & Perry
23rd to 24th April Lord Burghley St Georges Day Beer Festival, 17-19 Broad Street-Stamford 20+ Ales
24th to 25th April Hand In Heart St Georges Day Beer Festival, 12 Highbury Street-Peterborough 25 Rare & Special Ales
28th April to 1st May Paisley Beer Festival, Paisley Town Hall, Abbey Close-Paisley 100+ Ales
29th April to 1st May Stourbridge Beer Festival, The Town Hall, Market Street-Stourbridge 80 Ales
29th April to 2 May 16th Reading Beer & Cider Fest, Kings Meadow Napier Road-Reading 550+ Ales 150+ Ciders
29th April to 3rd May The Heathcroft Arms Beerfest, Hill Street-Croft, Leicestershire 15 Ales 3 Ciders
1st to 3rd May The Old Horse Spring Beer Festival, 198 London Road-Leicester 19 Ales 2 Ciders
6th to 8th May Banbury Beer Festival, The TA Centre, Oxford Road-Banbury 90 Ales
7th to 8th May 16th Macclesfield Beer Festival, Rugby Club, Priory Park, Priory Lane-Macclesfield 120 Ales
8th to 9th May Ludlow SIBA Beer Festival, Ludlow Castle-Ludlow-Shropshire 150 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 info 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 0796 4492569 / uplonkerrodneym2006@yahoo.co.uk by the 23rd of the month.

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