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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 56 pubs in 28 different locations, 2 Breweries and 38 Beer Festivals.

Beer and Pub News

At the Royal Oak at Ockbrook to combat the credit crunch selected beers are available at £2 a pint (1 was aptly called Re-Session Ale). Some of the locals (I wonder who?) have affectionately dubbed these offerings "pensioner specials". It is attracting some extra custom.....though not as much as when Derby beat Forest Ha!, Ha!

New guest ales Dave & Eliza Poplar are offering at the Welcome Tavern, Belper include Pedigree from the jug, Bass, Jennings Lakeland Stunner, Wychwood Paddys Tout plus a special from Nutbrook Brewery. Happy friendly atmosphere all welcome

The freehold for the Sportsman at Codnor has been bought by Ken Richards from Heage, who is planning to open it up as a real ale pub

The tenancy is available at the Jovial Dutchman at Crich

The White Post at Stanley Common have announced their beer festival dates for 2009, which are May 22nd to 25th, June 26th to 28th, July 24th to 26th and August 28th to 31st

March 2009

Derek & Staff welcome you to the **PRINCE OF WALES**
Butterley Hill, Ripley
4 Real Ales Available inc.
Marstons Pedigree & Taylor
Landlord. Beers for March are
Jennings Cocker Hoop 4.2% &
Sneck Lifter 5.1%, Brains SA
4.2%, Thwaites Wainwright
4.1%, Batemans Hooker 4.5%,
Palmer's IPA 4.2% and more.
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The Cross Keys at Heanor has boards outside offering the freehold for grabs

The Black Horse at Hulland Ward is now selling a Herefordshire cider from Oliver's at Burley Gate (between Hereford & Bromyard) supplied by one of The Grumpies, of which Charisma has been made an honorary member

The Ketch at Kniveton is under new management after being closed for several months. Andy & Cheryl, originally from Sheffield, promise to serve good home cooked fresh food from a comprehensive menu. Call 01335 342341 for details and to book. Meanwhile by the time we go to press David & Leslie Coullie should have taken over the Red Lion at Kniveton, after an interim period with Andy Gurney behind the bar, offering traditional pub food at lunchtimes and evenings alongside a range of fine beers, lagers, wines & spirits

A couple of pubs have come up with ideas to beat the credit crunch. The Sitwell at Horsley Woodhouse is doing a meal for £2 on Wednesdays with a different set meal, such as steak & ale pie, toad in the hole, sausage & mash, ham, egg & chips, being on offer. Bookings are necessary and there are also 6 real ales available. Meanwhile at the Cliff Inn at Crich Joan Martin has a selection of 4 locally brewed beers and is offering a "buy 5 get 1 free" promotion with a special flyer until Easter. Just buy 5 pints, get your promotional flyer stamped and Bob's your aunties live in lover

Free Copy

Colin's guest beers for March at the Cross Keys Belper include Castle Rock Sand Martin 4.5%, Derby Business as Usual 4.4%, Highwood Lincolnshire Legend 4.2% and Mordue Workie Ticket 4.5%. Keep an eye out for beers from local breweries as the Cross Keys are joining CAMRA's LocAle scheme "promoting pubs that sell locally-brewed real ale, reducing the number of 'beer miles' and supporting your local breweries". For more information on CAMRA's LocAle scheme click on the following link <http://www.camra.org.uk/page.aspx?o=locale>

The Yew Tree at Holloway is closed and for sale

At the Holly Bush beer festival at Makeney, 26th to 28th of March, there will another beer form local Belper Brewery Naylors called Meadows Ale

Steve Birkin of the Rowditch in Derby has recruited former Danelaw man Steve Twells as head brewer when the former Leatherbritches brew plant has been installed at the pub. When the brewery is up and running (hopefully in spring) the plan is to produce consistent quality beers for sale in the pub and there may be opportunity to revive some old Danelaw favourites

The Generous Briton at Ripley is closed

The Greyhound, High St Mansfield Woodhouse is holding a beer festival from 20th to 22nd March there will be 12 beers available 6 on the bar and 6 on stillage, the pub opens at midday through to close and is less than ½ mile from Mansfield Woodhouse station.

Rumour has it the Silk Mill in Derby may be re-opened by former landlord of the Dolphin, Terry Holmes, lets hope this is true as this former GBB pub has not been able to equal its popularity of the past when Nigél Barker was licensee

Paul & Lyn welcome you to the **WHITE POST**
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Beer and Pub News.....continued

The Fishpond in Matlock Bath is reported to be closed

The Travellers Rest at Kilburn re-opened on 23rd February

The White Hart at West Hallam has re-opened, after being closed for four weeks and had Marstons Pedigree and GK Abbot on offer

A slight correction to the snippet in last month's newsletter regarding the proposed brewery at the Navigation in Nottingham. The pub involved is the Trent Navigation on Meadow Lane and the proposed brewery will not be looked at for some time. The pub is though a regular outlet for the nearby Magpie Brewery

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Brewery News

Bottle Brook-Kilburn

A new beer, Oakwood Amarillo, has been brewed for Rotherham Beer Festival and will be appearing alongside Meandering Mild & Road Runner. Richard has also been doing swaps with Boggart Hole Clough, Milestone and Shardlow

Leadmill-Denby

www.leadmillbrewery.co.uk

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Decade 5.7% was brewed to commemorate 10 years of brewing whilst Destitution is set to appear at Rotherham Beer Festival

Del & Rod's Real Ale Rambles

On Sunday February 22nd we started our walk from Bakewell station on the High Peak Trail and headed off up hill on a bridle path across the golf course, through the west end of Manners Wood and up onto Handley Lane. Then it was down to Edensor, which is a fine view with the church in the foreground and Hunting Tower in the woods on the far hillside. For a change I managed to NOT go into the churchyard to see Kathleen Kennedy's (JFK's sister's) headstone and where the great man himself stood. We took the path round the hill to Chatsworth where we stopped for a coffee, I spent most of the time on my belly trying to get a picture of an unusual looking duck...

jumping up and running to the next tree every time it went under.....I should be in the SAS! The path from Chatsworth to Baslow is one we are familiar with....and not especially fondly as it was (maybe still is!) the last mile or so of the 25 mile Chatsworth Challenge Walk that we completed way back in 1995. On arrival in Baslow we called in the Wheatsheaf Hotel on the main road (having been in the Devonshire Arms) where there was Pedi & Cocker Hoop available served by one of the most miserable barman I've ever come across....and if that wasn't bad enough while we were sat outside supping our below average beverage a 2inch piece of mortar came hurtling down off the roof missing my head by inches and nearly landing in my glass! I don't get danger money for this y'know! And Del Boy realised he'd lost the plastic bit off one of the arms on his glasses. Next we moved on up the road passing a sign for Rowley's Restaurant & Bar, buggar that! we thought we'll call in the Prince of Wales instead. Oh no! the Prince of Wales is now Rowleys Restaurant & Bar, which we would have happily walked past if not for a sneaky peek through the window which revealed 2 hand pumps so we called in and Thornbridge Blackthorn and Morrissey Fox Blonde were available the latter being sampled and in fine form. We had a look in the Rutland Arms but there was 1 dead pump so we moved on to Pilsley and the Devonshire Arms to be pleasantly surprised. Firstly the selection, Theakston Black Bull Bitter & OP and Peak Ales Bakewell Best Bitter & Chatsworth Gold, secondly the price £2.50 a pint, for the ones we sampled anyway (both the Peak Ales and Black Bull), the cheapest drink of the day. And thirdly Del Boy found the bit off his glasses he'd thought he'd lost.....it was still behind his ear! It wasn't far back to the car, some of the way we were followed by an unusually friendly pheasant, which turned on me when I tried to get it off the road. Every car that passed us we checked to see if it was plastered to the radiator, but no, it lived to face another cartridge

Olive, Sally, Jean & Steve
welcome you to the

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Sat 11 – 3 and 6 - 11.30

Sun 12 – 4 and 7 - 11

Amber Valley CAMRA Update

Next Meeting - March 26th at the Devonshire Arms, King St, Alfreton at 8.30. Next Free Survey Trip - March 13th to Bargate, Holbrook and Makeney. Pick-ups are Alfreton Bus Station 6.50, Ripley Market Place 7.00, Belper Market Place 7.10 with drop-offs at the same places. Survey Trip - April 3rd to Fritchley, Ambergate and Crich. details TBC. Contact Chairman, Pete 07830 308533 or Social Sec Nathan 01773 570675.

NAGS HEAD

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Monday to Thursday

4 – 12

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

12 – 12

An Oasis in the Desert of
Mediocrity!

In preparation for the arrival of the plonker, sorry, important visitor, I started inspecting some Ilkeston pubs on Wed 11th Feb. The Durham Ox, a former GBG pub with interesting guest beers under the landlord who left last August, has now had 2 managers lasting 3 months each with another new tenant taking over 1st March, with great things promised - allegedly. To be fair the Directors I tried was ok with Old Speckled Hen and GK IPA also on. Moving on to the Erewash Hotel, this grand building with impressive wooden floor and large bar, unfortunately had no real ale because of 'short shelf life'. Further exploration on Friday 13th (of all dates!) commenced in the Three Horseshoes, where the only real ale, GK Kimberley Best, left much to be desired. This pub is up for sale and the former Miners Arms next-door looks like it will never re-open as a pub again. A brief sortie into the Moon & Sixpence found no real ale available with similar at the Market Inn. The Observatory enabled me to try Hook Norton Double Stout 4.8% but the range of beers was less than the usual Wetherspoons outlet. I then ventured into QC (Queens Council) which was more of a trendy bar than a pub, this did have London Pride and Speckled Hen but I did not sample due to vast crowds at the bar and loud music. A visit to The Charter revealed 2 ales at the bar, I had Bombardier, which was not very good with Bass also available. By this time I gave up hope of finding any decent drinks except in known GBG pubs and got the bus home. My list of acceptable pubs for the visit of the plonker includes Needlemakers Arms, Spanish Bar, Poacher, Observatory and Dewdrop plus Good Old Days that I have yet to visit. If any readers know of any others please advise via this publication - Chris P Duck....TO BE CONTINUED....Immediately

After a couple of postponements the long awaited Ilkeston jolly took place on Friday 20th of February. I arrived in **Derby** on my ZigZag ticket a tad early so I had time to call in the **Babington Arms** - Cathedral Ales Black Imp, the **MetroBar** - Wickwar Right Flanker and the **Brewery Tap** - Dashingly Dark before catching the 7.15 IF, which was 10 minutes late. I met up with Chris P Duck (who by chance had also turned out in a Sneck Lifter top) in the busy **Spanish Bar** where of the 5 beers available we both opted for the Mallard Quackerjack and thought it in good order. From there we decided to get the walking out of the way and headed for Station Rd, as we crossed the Market Place a young girl approached us and said "You look nice", we couldn't figure out which of us she was talking to and in either case thought she should have gone to Specsavers. After a brisk stroll we arrived at the **Good Old Days** or **G O D** as it's become known. 3 beers were available here, I opted for the Crouch Vale Brewers Gold and CPD the Copper Dragon Golden Pippin, both were in top nick, a new pub for the Duckmeister. The **Dewdrop** was next but we were so engrossed chatting to the gaffer I forgot to make a note of the beers, I had one from Tollgate and CPD had something he wasn't sure how to pronounce! He'd clocked our matching Jennings shirts and started me off on the Lake District. We had to decline the landlords suggestion to stay, which was very tempting I must admit, so we could head back up top for our buses but first we called in the **JDW Observatory**, which was a new pub for the Rodmeister, where of the 6 or 8 beers on I had Banks & Taylor Golden Fox and CPD the Black Hole No Escape on my recommendation. My final pub was by far the most disappointing for beer selection, the **Poachers** had Nottingham EPA, Bombardier and Directors.....nuff said. From there I had just enough time for a drain down in the Spanish Bar where I left Chris P Duck to have one last pint before his bus turned up - Ed

Michael & Muriel Edwin invite you to visit the

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Around Ripley with AVC

We met up in the **Red Lion** where I sampled Black Hole Stargazer & No Escape, both being in excellent form, before moving on to the **George** where Amber Barnes Wallace and Shardlow Rev Eaton were the choice. Meanwhile at the **Prince of Wales** Sneck Lifter, Cocker Hoop, Landlord and Bass were available and the **Nags Head** had

Derby Dashingly Dark, Cottage Brunel IK and Pedi. This is where Charisma left to get the bus home but the rest of the group also visited the **Woodman**, an Everards pub, and finished off at the **Poet & Castle** at **Codnor**

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While on a bit of a pub-crawl around Wirksworth Sooty & I called in to the **Rising Sun** at **Middleton by Wirksworth** for their beer festival. 6 of the Thornbridge beers and the Derby Brewing Co beer had already sold out leaving Thornbridge Lord Marples & Wild Swan, DBC Admirals Choice, Burton Bridge Festival Ale, Phoenix Wobbly Bob, Hook Norton Old Hooky, Batemans Valiant, Howard Town Wrens Nest, Cocker Hoop, Olde Trip and Landlord. I sampled the Old Hooky, Wobbly Bob & Festival Ale, Sooty who was driving had the Lord Marples. The beer festival went very well, especially with the free bus from Derby full of Derby CAMRA members. The Wobbly Bob was the pick of the crop and I heard that a Thornbridge beer festival is in the pipeline for the next venture. We then went in to **Wirksworth** and visited the **Hope & Anchor** where Cruckbeam, Tribute and Amber Ales IPA were the choice at £2.30 a pint. The **Red Lion** had Pedi, Hobgoblin and Hartington Bitter whilst down the road at the **Royal Oak** Derby Double Mash, Sharps Doom Bar, Bass and Landlord were available at £2.40 a pint. We dropped in at the **Malt Shovel**, which had Marston Bitter, Pedi & Dirty Tackle, before finishing off in the **Bear** at **Alderwasley** where Thornbridge Halcyon & Jaipur, Hartington Bitter, Landlord, Bass and Old Speckled Hen were available ranging between £2.70 - £3.30 a pint - Charisma

Recently in Riddings

Blacksheep and Blue Monkey at the **New Inn** both at £2.40, a Grafton beer and 2 from Shardlow at the **Moulders Arms** at a rather pricey £2.74, Abbot at the **Queens Head** at £2.40 all on good form. Rumours of the sale of the Moulders Arms by GK to a private owner along with 4 pubs in the Stoke area, further news when known - This Chap

We are always hearing about pub closures so it was great to hear of one reopening in Derbyshire, the **Chesterfield Arms** on Newbold road a 10 minute walk from Chesterfield railway station reopened its doors on Monday 26th February so Charisma and myself decided to go up for the opening night. We met at Derby station at 1530 to catch the 1544 train, Two Gallon Man was supposed to be joining us but was laid up at home with man flu. The 20 min journey soon passed and we arrived in **Chesterfield** just after 4, the Chesterfield Arms was not due to reopen until 5 so we set off for a quick tour of the pubs. First calling point was the **Spa Lane Vaults** (JDW) on the bar was Falstaff Phoenix 4.7%, Milestone Rich Ruby 4.5%, Thornbridge Lord Marples 4% & Jaipur 5.9% Charisma and I went for the Jaipur and at £1.80 a pint went down very well. Next was a pub that I had not been to before the **Royal Oak** in the Shambles which is a hidden gem, the building is Tudor timber framed and built in the 16th century a plaque on the wall outside states that it first became an inn in 1722. Inside the pub it is just as interesting but the big plus is the 6 real ales available which on our visit were Stones bitter 4.1%, Peak Ales Swift Nick 3.8%, Skipton Golden Pippin 3.9%, Brampton Best 4.2% Brampton Golden Bud 3.8% all at £2.60 & Brampton Wasps Nest 5% £2.80 I tried the Skipton which was top dollar and Charisma tried the Wasps Nest. Next it was off to the **Market** an ex Festival Ale House which has been a regular in the good beer guide, here Tetley's 3.7%, Landlord 4.3%, Abbot 5%, & Brampton Best 4.2% were available which we both tried which was very good, Saltaire Trio 4.4% had just gone unfortunately as it was a tick but so is life. Just over the way is another Wetherspoons the **Portland Hotel** here apart from the regular beers were Wentworth Peacock 4.6%, Wentworth Oatmeal Stout 4.8%, & Spire Coal Porter 4.6% all beers were £1.80 again so the Peacock was sampled and found to be very good. It was now approaching 5 o'clock so we made our way along to the **Chesterfield Arms** where we were greeted at the door by Dave Brown who famously transformed the rundown Cross Keys in Holbrook into the **Dead Poets**, ironically Dave sold up to Everards brewery and is now in partnership with them at the Chesterfield Arms. On the bar you are greeted by 8 hand pumps which on our visit were dispensing Leatherbritches C.A.D. 4% £2.00, York Constantine 3.9% £2.20, Everards Tiger 4.2%, Spire Dark Side of the Moon 4.3% £2.40, Hartington IPA 4.5%, & Fullers London Pride 4.1% £2.50, Falstaff Phoenix 4.7% £2.60, & Ashover Butts PA 5.5%, we started off with the C.A.D (Chesterfield Arms Drinker) which was bought for us by mine host which should be a regular house beer. It wasn't long before we were joined by Dangerous Dave who is not one to miss out on a good night in a good pub, many thanks to Oliver, James, Dave and his better half for the excellent beer and snacks that seemed to be constantly appearing on the bar. We'll definitely be visiting Chesterfield again very soon maybe even trying pubs along the Brampton Mile - Sooty

Proposed Trips

Trips to Liverpool, Wakefield and Wolverhampton are amongst several in the pipeline when suitable dates can be arranged - Watch this space!

Beer Festival Diary - Near and Not so Near

5th to 7th March Loughborough Beer Festival, Polish Club, True Lovers Walk, off William Street, Loughborough. www.loughboroughcamra.org.uk
12th to 15th March Old Poets Corner Beer Festival, Butts Rd-Ashover
12th to 16th March 1st Trent Navigation Beer Fest, Trent Navigation Inn, 17 Meadow Lane-Nottingham
13th to 14th March Burton Spring Beer Festival, Town Hall-Burton on Trent
20th to 21st March Bingham Beer Festival, Bingham Rugby Club, Brendon Grove-Bingham, Nottingham 10 Ales + 4 Ciders
26th to 28th March Holly Bush Beer Festival, Holly Bush Lane-Makeney
26th to 29th March Royal Oak Beer Festival, 25 Main Road-Watnall, Notts 20 Ales + Cider
26th to 29th March Annual Derby Rowing Club Beer Festival, Open Thursday, Friday Evenings All Day Saturday/Sunday
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, Notts 50+ Beers
10th to 13th April Arkwright Arms Beer Fest, Sutton cum Duckmanton-Chesterfield, 30 Welsh Beers Tel 01246 232053
23rd to 26th April King William IV Beer Festival, Derby Rd-Milford
30th April to 3rd May Poet & Castle Beer Festival, Alfreton Rd-Codnor
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

5th to 7th March Walsall Beer Festival, Walsall Town Hall, Lichfield Street-Walsall 90 Ales www.camra.org.uk/walsall
6th to 9th March Smithfield Beer Festival, 37 Swan Street-Manchester 17 Ales
11th to 14th March Leicester Beer Festival, Charotar Patidar Samaj, Bay St (Off St Margarets Way)-Leicester www.camra.org.uk
12th to 14th March Sussex Beer Festival, Hove Town Hall, Hove 200 Ales www.sussexbeerfestival.co.uk
13th to 14th March Hitchin Beer & Cider Festival, Town Hall, Brand St-Hitchin www.camranorthherts.org.uk
18th to 20th March London Drinker Beer Festival, Camdon Centre, Bidborough St, London 75+ Ales
18th to 22nd March Star Beer Festival, 7 Albert St, Lockwood, Huddersfield 60 ales www.thestarinn.info
19th to 21st March 22nd Wigan Beer Festival, Robin Park Sports Centre, Loire Drive-Wigan 50+ Ales
19th to 21st March Booze on the Ouse, Priory Centre, St Neots-Cambridge www.huntscamra.org.uk/festivals
19th to 21st March New Pudsey Beer Festival, Pudsey Civic Hall, Dawsons Corner, New Pudsey 150 Ales
19th to 21st March Harlequin Spring Beer Festival, Nursery Street, Sheffield www.theharlequinpub.co.uk
19th to 22nd March Criterion Beer Festival, Millstone Lane-Leicester
27th to 28th March Coventry Beer Festival, Coventry RFC, Butts Rd-Coventry
20th to 21st March 22nd Oldham Beer Festival, Civic Centre, West Street-Oldham 75 Ales www.robcamra.org.uk
20th to 21st March Winslow Beer Festival, Winslow Public Hall, Enfield Gate-Winslow www.winslowlions.org.uk
20th to 22nd March The Greyhound Beer Festival, High Street-Mansfield Woodhouse 12 Beers Tel 01623 464403
25th to 29th March Ship & Mitre German Beer Festival, 133 Dale Street-Liverpool Over 80 German Beers
26th to 29th March Beer Weekend, The Black Horse, 72 Redearth St-Darwen 10+ Ales www.theblackun.co.uk
1st to 4th April 33rd Newcastle Beer Festival, Students Union, Kings Walk-Newcastle Upon Tyne 115 Ales
16th to 13th April Charters Beer Festival, Town Bridge-Peterborough
16th to 19th April Harlequin Beer Festival, Nursery St-Sheffield www.theharlequinpub.co.uk

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH: "Bart, a woman is like a beer. They look good, they smell good and you'd step over your own mother just to get one!" - Homer J Simpson