



# TO PARAD Real Real Ale Drinkers

In The Sticks May 2004

Welcome to this months edition of "In the Sticks"

## Beer and Pub News

Regular guest beers are starting to appear at Leadmill's **Old Stables Bar** in **Denby** and the **Old Oak** in **Horsley Woodhouse**.

Forth coming attractions include Blackwater Monsoon 4.2%, Blackwater Top Twister 4.4%, Cairngorm Nessies Monster Mash 4.4%, Fronkton Bagby Dizzy Blonde 4.0%, Mordue A'L Wheat Pet 4.1%, Inveralmond Thrappledouser 4.3% and Courage Directors 4.7%.

Our correspondents from Ripley, Nigel & Mo, have very kindly donated two seating benches for use at the Leadmill's **Old Stables Bar** in **Denby**.

Leadmill have agreed a leasing arrangement to take over the **King William** in **Milford** from the 14<sup>th</sup> June.

Our best wishes go CAMRA members Nigel and Mo from Ripley who will be running the pub.

Carl from the **George Inn Ripley**, and formerly of the **Royal Oak** and **Sun Inn**, has now taken over the **Prince of Wales** on Butterley Hill, it is hoped to be selling real ale from the jug in the near future to compliment the hand drawn beers.

An application to turn the **Matrix** in **Ripley** into a Pole and Lap Dancing club has been submitted to Amber Valley Borough Council, the final date for objection is the 14<sup>th</sup> May.

The **George Inn Ripley** no longer serves real ale from the jug.

The **Pear Tree** in **Ripley** has been nominated to be included in CAMRA's Good Beer Guide for 2005 making it Ripley's only entry.

Mick and Jill, formerly of the **Prince of Wales Ripley**, have now taken over the **Thorn Tree** at **Waingroves**.

The application to Amber Valley Borough Council to demolish the **Jolly Colliers** in **Waingroves** has been withdrawn.

**Marehay Welfare** continues to sell real ale.

The annual May beer festival at the **Dead Poets Inn Holbrook** has been postponed due to painting the outside of the pub.

The **Dog Inn** in **Pentrich** is due to re open on 20<sup>th</sup> May it is reported to have three hand pumps.

The **Cross Keys** in **Belper** is holding a beer festival with an "Ecclesiastical" theme from the 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> of June.

The "provisional" list of beers are: - Abbey Bellringer 4.2%, Abbeydale Vespers 4.2%, Absolution 5.3%, Black Mass 6.6%, Black Dog Whitby Abbey Ale 3.8%, Coach House Old Priory 4.4%, Darwin Saints Sinner 5.9%, Durham Prior's Gold 4.5%, Sanctuary 6.0%, Benedictus 6.4% and Triple FFF Stairway to Heaven 4.6%.

The **Queens Head Belper** is holding a beer festival from 28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May with a "Sporting" theme.

May saw the return of a classic Sheffield beer Wards Best Bitter 4.0% as a guest at the **Hollybush Inn Makeney**.

A visit to the **Falstaff** in **Derby** on 7<sup>th</sup> May saw four "House" ales including 3 Phase 3.8% at £1.70 a pint, Beer with no Name 4.3% at £1.90 a pint, High Society Mild 4.4% at £1.70 a pint and Corby's 5.0% at £2.00 a pint.

The "guest" was Brunswick Old Accidental 5.0% at £2.20 a pint.



As reported in a previous issue of "In the Sticks" the Nottingham "Beer by Tram" Guide is now available and features some of Nottingham's excellent real ale pubs that are accessible from the cities Tram system. The 36-page guide also includes a photograph of the pubs en route, details of real ales available, a brief description of the pub and directions from the nearest Tram stop.

## Brewery News

The **Wheel Inn** at **Holbrook**, home of the new Funfair Brewing Company had their first brew Big Wheel IPA 3.9% available in time for their Easter beer festival. The news on the street is that the beer may even make an appearance at the Rail Ale Festival at Barrow Hill.

## Visit report-Borrowwash 08<sup>th</sup> May 2004

As all the pubs visited in Borrowwash are situated on the main road we had no problem finding them. Starting off at the **Wilmot Arms** where we were pleasantly surprised to find five real ales on offer these being Marstons Pedigree 4.5%, Wadworth 6X 4.3%, Courage Directors 4.7%, Morland Old Speckled Hen 5.2% and Ind Coope Burton Ale 4.8%. We tried the Directors at £2.26 a pint, a pleasant drink. Our second pub was the **Noah's Ark**, which from the outside looks very run down and in need of a coat of paint; the same can be said for the inside.

Two real ales are usually on offer Ind Coope Burton Ale 4.5% and Draught Bass 4.4%, as the Bass was off we tried the Burton Ale and at £2.20 a pint, we've had better.

Next stop was the recently refurbished **Foresters**, now an open plan bar serving two real ales, Marstons Pedigree 4.5% and St Austell Tribute 4.2%, as the "guest" which changes every two to three weeks.

We sampled the Tribute and at £2.15 a pint, quite a pleasant drink.

Finally the last pub on our survey was the **Nags Head**, a nice pub with a newly refurbished bar.

Unfortunately only one

real ale on offer, Martons Pedigree 4.5% at £2.16 a pint, and although a nice drink we felt it was a pity that there was nothing else on offer.

### Del & Rodney

#### Stop Press!

The **Old Red** in **Ashover** is to be renamed The **Old Poets Corner**.

Kim Beresford, former Cellarman at the **Dead Poets Inn Holbrook**, and his partner Jackie are hoping to re open on the 4<sup>th</sup> June. Plans are already in hand to increase the number of hand pumps from three to six.

On our last visit, at the end of April, three real ales on offer these being

Leatherbritches Gouldings 3.6%, Timothy Taylors Landlord 4.3% and Morland Old Speckled Hen 5.2%. Our best wishes go Kim and Jackie.

**Finally** forthcoming attractions at the **Thorn Tree Belper** are Sarah Hughes Surprise 5.0%, Church End Classic Gold 4.5%, Church End Gravediggers 3.8%, Salamander Mud Puppy 4.2%, Salamander Golden Salamander 4.5%, Shardlow Reverend Eaton's Ale 4.5%, Green King Abbot Ale 5.0%, Flowers Original Bitter 4.3% and Green King Ruddles County 4.3%.

### Billy One Mate

## Forthcoming Trips

Coach trip to the Rail Ale Festival at Barrow Hill **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May-Fully Booked waiting list in operation.**

Train trip to York on a Saturday in June- date yet to be finalised for 2<sup>nd</sup> city centre pub-crawl.

## Beer festivals

14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May The Plough Ford Street-Burton on Trent.

21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May Rail Ale Festival-Barrow Hill Roundhouse.

27<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May The Anchor Inn "Major May Festival"-Bradford Street Digbeth Birmingham.

27<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May The Bell Inn-Nottingham.

28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May Newark Beer Festival-Riverside Park Newark.

28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May The Criterion "Yorkshire" Beer Festival-Oxford Street Leicester.

28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May The Swan & Rushes "Yorkshire" Beer Festival-Millstone Lane Leicester.

28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May The White Post-Stanley Common.

28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May Leatherbritches 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Peaks Booze & Blues Festival-Bentley Brook Inn.

28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May The Queens Head "Sporting" Beer Festival-Belper.

28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May The Wheel Inn-Holbrook.

28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May The Stag-Kimberley.

29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May The Black Lion-Radcliffe.

4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> June The 1<sup>st</sup> Boundary Beer Festival-Broadmeadows South Normanton.

8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> June The Bishop Blaise-Derby.

11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> June The Cross Keys "Ecclesiastical" Beer Festival-Belper.

18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> June Haslams (Derby Rugby Club)-Derby.

18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> June The Foresters Arms-Scropton.

Well that's all for this issue folks however if you have any information or news which could be included in the next issue of "In the Sticks" please contact Charisma Bypass on 07974 171243.

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