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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 52 pubs in 25 different locations, 5 Breweries and 43 Beer Festivals.

Beer and Pub News

MAB has informed me that me the **Horse & Groom** at **Scarcliffe** had Archers Pole Axed 5% amongst 6 real ales and the **Blue Bell** at **Bolsover** had Bishops Finger 5% & Jennings Crag Rat 4.4% amongst 6 real ales on a recent visit.

The **Prince Alfred** on Derby Street, **Burton on Trent**, is to re-open in early October after refurbishment work

The **Horse & Jockey** on Cromford Road **Ripley** saw a change of licensee in 31st August when Russell Hale took over the helm.

The lease at the **White Hart** on Church Street **Heage** is for sale and not the pub as previously advised.

The **Cross Keys Belper** Annual Autumn Beer Festival runs from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th November and will be open from 1pm daily. The list of guest beers are E&S Elland First Light 3.5%, Belhaven 80/- 4.2%, Taylors Ram Tam 4.3%, Dent Ramsbottom Strong Ale 4.5%, Bridge of Allan Glencoe Wild Oat Stout 4.5%, Wychwood The Dogs Bollocks 5.2%, Mauldons Black Adder 5.3%, Spectrum Old Stoatwobbler 6.0%, White Shield Bass No1 10.5% and Bateman's Victory 5.9%. There will also be Saxon Ruby Tuesday 6.2% and Thatcher's Cheddar Valley Cider 6.0% and Herefordshire Perry 4.5%, Belgian Lambic and Abbey Beers and Fruit wines with food available throughout.

The Beer Festival at the **Royal Oak** at **Ockbrook** starts on Thursday 5th of October and runs til Sunday 8th. Steady Steve is hoping to have at least 2 beers from the following breweries: Blackfriars, Blue Moon, Buffy's (4 beers), Bull Box, Fat Cat, Fox, Iceni (4 beers), Reepham, Spectrum (4 beers), Tipples, Waveney, Why Not, Winters, Wissey Valley, Wolf, Woodfordes (6 beers) & Yetmans. There will also be several ciders from Banham Ciders of Banham, Greewoods of Norwich & Crones of Kenninghall. If all goes to plan it looks like its going to be another outstanding Royal Oak Beer Festival

October 2006

**A Warm Welcome Awaits
At The
Royal Oak**

**Ockbrook
Derby
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**Lunches Served
Everyday 12.00 – 2.00**

**Evening Meals
Monday &
Wednesday – Friday
6.00 – 8.00**

**Norfolk Ales Beer Festival
5th to 8th October**

We understand that the GBG listed **Yew Tree** in **South Wingfield** saw a change of licensee in mid September; apparently the new owners also have the **Kestrel** in **Marehay**.

The **White Swan** on **Belper** Market Place had Shepherd Neame Bishops Finger 5.0% and Jennings Cocker Hoop 4.6% recently; I also learned that live gigs are on twice a week on Thursdays and Saturdays with the bands for October being Three Wheel Drive (5th), Some Kinda Mushroom (7th), Humming Birds (12th), Vida (19th) and TFX (26th).

We have been reliably informed that a decision on the future of the **Old Stables Bar** at **Denby** will be made in the next couple of weeks. Keep it here for more info.

Tweedle Dum has informed me that **Mansfield Camra** were awarded the Cask Marque for the beer tent at the **Moorgreen Country Show** at **Watnall**, which is the first for an outdoor event.

Nigel & Mo from the **Nags Head Ripley** are running a trip to the Stoke Beer Festival on Saturday the 28th of October.

Guest beers are starting to appear at the **Thorn Tree** on **Chesterfield Road Belper** with **Fist Full of Hops** 4.5% & **So Dreamy** 4.5% from **Falstaff** and more recently **Thieving Rogue** 4.5% from the newly opened **Magpie Brewery** in **Nottingham**; Other breaking news is the pub is also up for sale.

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Forthcoming attractions for October at the **Cross Keys Belper** include **Ruddles Orchard** 4.6%, **Bateman's Victory** 5.9%, **Bateman's Autumn Fall** 4.1%, **Rudgate Battle Axe** 4.2%, **Jennings Cumberland** 4.0%, **Mordue Workie Ticket** 4.5% and **Bateman's Salem Porter** 4.7%, the guest Cider will be **Saxon Platinum Blond** 6.0%

The first beer from the **Amber Ales** brewery in **Hammersmith** was on sale recently at the **Nags Head** in **Ripley** at £1.10 a pint.

As part of the **Waingroves** Show weekend the **Thorn Tree** had regular **Pedigree**, **Wells Bombardier**, **Ruddles County**, **Milestone Tucks Tipple** 4.2% @ £2.40 a pint and **Weston's Old Rosie Cider**. In the cellar were **Leadmill Full Moon**, **Swansong** and **Old Oak Bitter**. The **Beehive** on **Peashill Ripley** had **Ruddles Orchard** 4.2% at £2.00 a pint look out for the next beer festival on 4th November this year where there will be between 6 and 8 real ales on offer. The **Railway Inn** on **Peashill** had no real ale but bottled beers were available. The **Rising Sun** on **Derby Road** had **H&H Kimberley Bitter** at £2.06 a pint and **GK Abbot Ale**. The **Woodman** on **Maple Avenue** had **H&H Kimberley Mild** at £2.00 a pint and **Kimberley Bitter**. The **Horse & Jockey** a **James H Porter** pub which saw a change of licensee on 31st August when Russell Hale took over the helm had **GK IPA**, **Abbot Ale**, **Pedigree**, **Deuchars IPA** and **Theakstons Best Bitter** at £2.20 a pint.

This months Friday Five pub-crawl, the seventh in the series, sees us visit pubs in **Ripley** on Friday 27th October. We will be starting at the **George Inn** on **Lowes Hill** at 7.30 then the **Prince of Wales** at 8pm, the **Nags Head** at 8.30, **Red Lion** at 9pm, **Hippodrome** 9.30pm finishing off at the **Pear Tree** at 10pm. If you are unable to join us at the start call **Billy** on 07802 914832 to find out where we are-*Billy*

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**Serving a wide selection of beers
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On a night out in September Bald Eagle & Chippie called at the **Red Lion** in **Heanor**. Here we sampled Thornbridge Brock & Theakston Old Peculier both at £1.65 a pint. We then travelled to **Ison** stopping off at the **Poacher**. Here 4 beers were on offer. Blacksheep Bitter Springhead Charlies Angel & Roaring Meg and our choice Nottingham Extra Pale Ale. This was only £1.85 and in excellent condition. We'll be back. Next stop was the **Spanish Bar**. Here there were three real ales, Hartington IPA, Cottage Great Western & Mallards Quackerjack, the tasty Quackerjack was £1.66 a pint. Our final stop was the **Observatory**. There were 3 Wyre Piddle beers amongst the usual spoons fayre, we both had the Dark Delight. This was a shock as it wasn't dark but flavoured with blackcurrants and at £1.65 a pint. This proves that you can go out and get great quality real ales at very reasonable prices without getting ripped off-Bald Eagle

RuRAD Supporting Local Beer Festivals

On Friday 15th of September Del, Steady Steve & I visited the 1st **Harrington Arms** Beer Festival at **Thulston**. Along with the 12 beers on the programme there were also Shardlow 5 Bells and Magpie 2 4 Joy plus Bass, Elgoods Cambridge and the house beer Earl of Harrington from Wicked Hathern in the bar. We managed to try almost all on offer between us (apart from the Milestone as it hadn't dropped) and all were in good order, but Steady Steve was thwarted when he went to try the House beer as it went in mid pull. There was a good showing from RuRAD and our friends at Derby Camra (I didn't realise there was a direct bus from the city centre to Thulston).

On Friday 15th September Loco & I decided to pay Jasper a visit after he visited us at the RuRAD Beer Festival we returned the complement by attending the 11th Beer Festival at the **Storey Arms** at **Osgathorpe** in Leicestershire. 19 beers were on offer with 12 from the wood and 7 from the hand pumps on the bar. After arriving at 8.00 we discovered that the beer festival didn't start until 8.30. Inveralmond, Great Oakley, Dent, Moles, Woodfordes & St Austell were just a few of the breweries on offer. Charisma was designated driver so only tried Uley Old Spot & Great Oakley Wots Occurin' while Loco sampled Moles Barley Mole, Enville Ginger & Inveralmond Ossian's Ale to name but a few and all were in good form. After meeting up with Jasper and his wife we headed off to the beer festival at the **Harrington Arms** at **Thulston** where we joined Del, Rodders, Steady Steve & Old Mother Redcap. Good little beer festivals well worth a visit was the verdict on the night.

Trigger & Cassandra reported from the **Brunswick** Beer Festival that there were 28 beers on the festival bar which included brews from the likes of Sarah Hughes, Holdens, Black Country, Windsor Castle Toll End, Olde Swan, Kinver, Teme Valley, St George & Beowulf. There was a selection of beers on the Everards bar plus 16 alternating beers on the main bar. Cassandra tried Brunswick Big Fat Budda 3.9%, Windsor Castle Gentle Ginger 4%, Kinver Edge Kinver Edge 4.2% and Sarah Hughes New Imperial Stout 7.3% to name but a few.

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On Friday 22nd of September Charisma and I got the 1.38 train to Burton on Trent to visit the beer festival at the town hall. There were over a hundred beers available from the likes of Atlas, Cairngorm, Hanby, Hesket Newmarket, Kinver, Oakleaf, Orkney, Peak Ales, Pot Belly, Skinners & Tollgate to name but a few, there were also a few beers from America. I tried Oakleaf Maypole Mild 3.8%, Potbelly Aisling 4%, Peak Ales Bakewell Best Bitter 4.2%, Tollgate Wooden Box Bitter 4.3%, Mallard Spittin' Feathers 4.4%, Skinners Figgy's Brew 4.5% before finishing off with the **AWesome** Sarah Hughes New Imperial Stout 7.3%. When we arrived back in Derby I missed the last flyer so I called in the Babington, where I bumped in to Sooty, sampled Falstaff Poes Pot before getting a bag of chips and walking back to Borrowwash along the riverside path....believe me it seemed like a good idea at the time. Just managed to get back for last orders.

Editors Beer Festival Summary

The 1st RuRAD beer festival eventually got under way, after the odd hiccup or two, at the **Moss Cottage Hotel** on the 31st of August. The sudden closure of the **Old Stables Bar** could easily have brought an end to the whole venture but Tweedle Dee pulled out all the stops to re-locate to the Moss Cottage Hotel at Ripley and thus save the festival. Though the re-location saved the festival it also had a large bearing on the attendance levels, which were not as high as anticipated, though the evening sessions were reasonably well attended especially Saturday & Sunday when entertainment was provided. Having said that, ours wasn't the only festival to suffer from low attendances this year Derby Summer Festival and Erewash (with whom our festival clashed) were also hit. Orkney Dark Island was the first beer to go and the first festival special to go was Thornbridge Hall Half-Pint Ale and

the general census of opinion from those who completed and returned their Feedback slips was very positive praising the beer selection and friendly atmosphere, a big thank you goes to all who took the time to put pen to paper (even a certain Mr. R.Soul who complained about the lack of lager!). A huge thank you must go to the willing RuRAD members who helped to set up (David Brett especially) and staff the festival and provide a relaxing and jovial drinking experience, also our gratitude goes to Steve Crispin and Pip Southall of Derby Camra and Nottingham Drinker, Leicester Drinker and Innspire for their assistance in promoting the festival. Of course the biggest thanks must go to the punters that turned up...THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! Lessons have been learnt from this venture and, in the event of it being repeated next year, will go to making it, if not bigger, certainly better. LONG LIVE RuRAD!

On the night Friday the 29th of September, whilst on route for my usual evening tippie at the **Royal Oak**, I decided to refresh my memory on what the other 3 pubs in **Ockbrook** village have to offer (not including the Bartlewood Lodge...it's too far to walk... a waste of good drinking time). My first port of call was the **White Swan** opposite the church on Church Street (funnily enough) where I had a choice from Pedi, Abbot, Deuchars IPA and Landlord was the guest: I plumped for the Abbot at £1.25 a half. Next on the way was the **Queens Head** on Flood Street, which had Pedi, Directors, Blacksheep Bitter & Youngs Special, I sampled the Youngs at £1.27 a half. The final pub was the **Cross Keys** at the top of Green Lane, which had Pedi & Cumberland at £1.20 a half I tried the latter and moved swiftly on to the Oak safe in the knowledge that my evening was on the up. The 3 guest beers that Steady Steve had got on along side the Bass were Burton Bridge Cliffhanger, Oldershaws Byards Leap & Abbeylee Absolution I sampled the Byards at £2.20 & the Absolution (I've been in need of it for a long time) at £2.40. So, as Ted McMinn would say, at the end of the day the Oak is still the cheapest and best real ale pub in Ockbrook (like that was ever going to be any different) so I will revert to my more accustomed direct route to it in future-Ed

On Saturday 23rd of September I met up with Loco, Charisma, Tweedle Dum and (for RuRAD purposes) Dodgem at Derby train station where armed with a Derbyshire Wayfarer we got on the 9.25 train to Sheffield. Due to maintenance work on the track the train had to go via Long Eaton, which meant we missed our connection to New Mills from where we were going to go on to Manchester. So we got on the first available train to Manchester on the understanding that we would be able to pay the difference from New Mills but no one checked our tickets and we were waved through at Piccadilly so it only cost us £6.25 that was a good start. Loco directed us to the first stop, which was the **GBG** listed **Jolly Angler** on Ducie St where we sampled Hydes Original after the landlord had begrudgingly let us in, Man City were at home and it was members only. Next it was on to the **GBG** listed **Castle Hotel** on Oldham St which had the entire Robinsons range

except XB (to Charisma's delight). From there it was a short walk to the GBG listed **Bar Fringe** on Swan St which had 3 Rivers Hilary Gold 4.3% & Howard Town Glott's Hop 5% but the next planned stop, the GBG listed Smithfield, was padlocked shut so we moved on to the GBG & NI listed **Marble Arch Inn** on Rochdale Rd where Marble Lagonda IPA 5%, Ginger Marble 4.5%, Manchester Bitter 4.2% & GSB 3.8%, which are brewed on the premises, along side Milestone Millers Ale 3.8%, Copper Dragon Golden Pippin 3.9%, Pictish Brewers Gold 3.8%, Rugby Victory 4.2%, Facers Clwyd Gold 3.8% & York Centurions Ghost 5.4%. This is a truly awesome pub in every way. Another GBG & NI pub was next on the list the **Hare & Hounds** on Shudehill, where we had a choice of either Holts Bitter or Tetleys. The NI listed **Mr. Thomas' Chop House** on Cross St was worth a fleeting visit if only to get away from the anti Labour protesters before moving on to the GBG listed **City Arms** on Kennedy St which had Tetley Mild & Bitter, Hopback Crop Circle, Hydes 1863, GK IPA, Smiles Slap & Tickle & Adnams Explorer. Next was the pub with possibly the smallest bar in the world EVER!!, the NI listed **Circus Tavern** where we were serenaded by a man on the spoons? Whilst supping a half of Tetleys, the only real ale available. Good atmosphere. The GBG & NI listed **Briton's Protection** on Great Bridgewater St was next a good pub with lots of character and a reasonable selection of ale which included Crouch Vale Autumn Ale 5%, Tetley, Cumberland, Robbo's Unicorn & Coach House Postlethwaites 4.6% the complete opposite to the GBG listed (WHY!) **White Lion** on Liverpool Rd the most memorable thing about this pub was the phone call I got saying that the Rams had beat Sheff Wednesday 2-1. The **Knott Bar** on Deansgate was next serving Pictish Blue Moon 6%, Salamander Shark Attack 4%, Phoenix White Tornado 4.3% & Marble Ginger & Manchester Bitter before calling in the GBG & NI listed **Peveril of the Peak** (Deuchars Bombardier & Copper Dragon Golden Pippin) back on Great Bridgewater St. The final pub of the day was the **Lass O'Gowrie** on Charles St where I felt decidedly out of place cheering when Reading scored a penalty against Man United. From there it was a mad rush to the train station where we jumped straight on the train, which cost about £3 to New Mills.

The smaller the brewery the harder it can be to find outlets for their beers. Thanks to The New Imbiber here are a few regular outlets for local brewers: Coach House: **Railway View** at Macclesfield, Edale: the **Old Nags Head** at Edale, Haywood: only at **Callow Top Holiday Park**, Ashbourne, Howard Town: **Old Gloveworks** at Glossop, Malled: **Bell** at Smalley, Maypole: **Beehive** at Maplebeck, Nottinghamshire

Brewery News

Bottle Brook-Kilburn

Celtic Porter 4.5% was specially brewed for the North Notts beer festival.

Danelaw-Chellaston

www.danelawbrewery.co.uk

The lads at Danelaw are reported to be supplying the Stoke Beer Festival with Cnut 4.5% and Rape & Pillage 5.7%

Falstaff-Normanton

www.falstaffbrewery.co.uk

The latest beer continuing the Rocky Horror theme are Voyeuristic Intention 4.5% is described as pale brown in colour with a fruity nose. Full fruit and malt flavours with hops coming through at the end with a long malty aftertaste and Another Dimension 5.7% which is a classic IPA. Honey and hops on the nose rich hop flavours and a sharp hoppy after taste.

Funfair Brewing Co-Ilkeston

www.funfairbrewingcompany.com

Gallopers 3.8% was the first beer brewed by Dave and Gemma at their new brewery in Ilkeston over the weekend of 16th & 17th September. Dodgem 4.7% was on at the **Babington Arms** in Derby over the same weekend. The popular Gallopers was spotted on at the **Coopers Tavern** in **Burton on Trent** the same weekend as the Burton Beer Festival.

Leadmill-Denby

www.leadmillbrewery.co.uk

Fossil Fuel 5.1% is the latest new beer from Richard at Leadmill

Del & Rod's Real Ale Rambles

On the rather Autumnal morning of Sunday the 10th of September we were joined by Uncle Albert as we made yet another foray into Leicestershire. We parked up at Burton Lazars (by which time the Autumnal conditions had been replaced by blue sky and blazing sunshine), which is just southeast of Melton Mowbray on the A606, and made our way via Burrough Hill Country Park to **Burrough on the Hill** where we called in the **Stag & Hounds**. Now with this being the home of Parish Brewery (since it moved back from Somerby in 2003) I didn't think it

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unreasonable to expect to sample some of the local brews but to my severe disgruntlement none were available and we had to make do with either Adnams Bitter & Broadside or Greene King IPA, mind you on such a hot day the IPA went down a treat. From there we made our way to **Somerby**, where we had a choice of 2 GBG pubs, the **Stilton Cheese** didn't look to have any outdoor seating free so we went down to the **Three Crowns** (Formerly the Old Brewery Inn when Parish resided here). Here we had a choice from Landlord, Bass, Greene King IPA & (would you believe it) Parish Special Bitter, which I believe hovers around the 3.9% mark, we sampled a couple of pints of the PSB whilst sitting in the garden in the shade of the Coolibah tree (actually I think it was holly) before heading back via Little Dalby. If all the crane flies we saw today had been locust's it would have been a plague of biblical proportions. And there wasn't a single closed pub to be seen all day, not that I would have mentioned it anyway ...you know who you are!

BigFoz's Travels with BigDave

Water Rates.

I have not used the names of the pubs involved in these incidents because the last time I told the truth about something certain people didn't want to hear, I got into trouble for it...and I wouldn't want that to happen again, would I?

Start of a new season. Football withdrawal symptoms beginning to fade. It's only been about a month since the end of a rather poor World Cup but it seems like an age. For some inexplicable reason: Derby County are on the telly two weeks in a row. Oh, joy! Oh, rapture!

Walk down to the usual venue...big screen, good choice of ales, well kept.

But, this time: raucous clientele (not all of them but enough to make it uncomfortable); constant racist abuse hurled at the opposition players (hang on, aren't half of Derby's players black?); chain smokers (two of them: one sits to my right and the other sits behind me); pointless threats of physical violence to a guy from Southampton (hasn't he got enough problems as it is?).

"We are never going there again," says BigDave as we come out early.

Problems as to where to go for the next match.
Halfway up the hill: "sorry, we haven't got a TV...we're having a disco, though."
Top of the hill: "We haven't got a telly." "You had a huge plasma." "There was no demand for it."
Top of the hill, other side: closed until 6.
Bottom of the hill, ten minutes of the game gone. Big screen in the Lounge (difficult to see but it'll have to do); Broadside on (it'll have to do as well).
"Pint of Broadside, please and a pint of tap water for the lad."
"£3 please."

I hand over a tenner and look puzzled.
She turns back from the till.
I check my change.
"Have you charged me for the tap water?"
"Yes. 50p."
"Are you legally entitled to do that?"
"Yes...we've got other sorts of water...in bottles."
"And are they 50p?"
"No...they're a pound."
Dumbstruck (a rare occurrence for me), I return to BigDave and attempt to watch the

match (as through a fog until we move to the Public Bar and watch it on a plasma they've got in there). Short-sighted of the landlady (in a business sense) because, she may have made 50p but I only had one pint instead of two or three (that's why we walk) and I shan't be watching any further matches there (although BigDave says he wouldn't mind but he didn't have to pay the money) and it's the principle of the thing (I'm also still not convinced of the legality of charging for something that's basically free) and Derby were rubbish as well (nothing new there then).

Proposed Trips

27th October Friday Five pub crawl visiting pubs in Ripley starting at the George, if you want to join in on route ring Billy on 07802 914832 to find out where we are.

Beer Festival Diary - 3 Month Look Ahead

- 5th to 7th October 10th Louth Beer Festival, Masons Arms, Cornmarket-Louth
5th to 8th October 7th Royal Oak Beer Festival featuring beers from Norfolk, Royal Oak, Green Lane-Ockbrook
5th to 8th October Fox & Crown Beer Festival, Church Street-Old Basford, 30 beers including some new ones
5th to 8th October Old Poets Corner Beer Festival, Butts Road-Ashover
6th to 8th October The Clock Beer Festival, The Clock, Market Street-South Normanton
10th to 12th October Warrington Oktoberfest 10 Parr Hall, Square South-Warrington 60 Ales www.warrington.rotary-site.org.uk
11th to 14th October 13th Westmorland Beer Fest, The Town Hall, Highgate-Kendal 50 Ales www.camrawestmoorland.org
11th to 15th October Music & Beer Festival, Bell, Market Square and Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem, Castle Road-Nottingham www.thebell-inn.com
11th to 15th October Bolton Beer Festival 2005 Howcroft Inn, Pool St-Bolton 200 Ales www.beer-festival.co.uk
12th to 14th October 16th Wakefield Beer Festival, Lightwaves Leisure Centre-Wakefield 150 Ales www.camra.org.uk/wakefield
12th to 14th October Quorn Oktoberfest, Quorn Village Hall, Leicester Rd-Quorn, Nr Loughborough, 30+ beers
12th to 14th October Oxford Beer Fest, Town Hall, St Aldates-Oxford 120 Ales www.oxfordcamra.org.uk
13th 14th October Out of the Vaults Beer Festival, King Street-Leicester www.outofthevaults.com
19th to 22nd October 30th Nottingham Beer Festival, Victoria Leisure Centre, Gedling Street-Sneinton www.nottinghamcamra.org
19th to 22nd October Steam Packet Autumn Beer Festival, Steam Packet Inn, Derby Road-Swanwick
20th to 21st October 29th Bath Beer Fest, The Pavilion, North Parade Rd-Bath 60 Ales
20th to 22nd October Worth Valley Railway Folk & Beer Festival, Oxenhope Railway Station, Exhibition Shed 80 Ales www.kwvr.co.uk
20th to 31st October The Full Moon Beer Festival, Wetherspoons and Lloyds No 1 Bars in the area
23rd to 28th October 29th Norwich Beer Fest, St Andrews Hall, St Andrews Plain-Norwich 200 Ales www.camra.org.uk/norwich
23rd to 30th October 10th Shovels Beer Fest, 260 Common Rd Edge-Blackpool 80 Ale Tel 01253 762702
25th to 28th October Stoke Beer Festival, Kings Hall, Kingsway-Stoke on Trent. www.stokebeerfestival.co.uk
26th to 28th October 20th Swindon Beer Fest, Steam Museum Of The GWR, Kemble Drive-Swindon 60 Ales www.swindoncamra.org.uk
26th to 28th October Barnsley Beer Fest, The Keel Inn, Canal St-Barnsley 36 Ales www.yourpint.com
26th to 28th October Bells Brewery Beer Fest, The Workshop, Lutterworth Rd, Ullesthorpe-Lutterworth Leics www.bellsbrewery.co.uk
26th to 29th October Ruddington Beer Festival, The White Horse, Church Street and Three Crowns Easthorpe Street-Ruddington
26th to 29th October Holly Bush Beer Festival, Holly Bush, Holly Bush Lane-Makeney
27th to 28th October 'Ale'oween Beer Festival, The Mallard, Worksop Railway Station-Worksop festivals@theregencyhotel.plus.com
30th October to 3rd November Merchants Inn Autumn Beer Festival, Merchants Inn, Little Church Street-Rugby
31st October to 6th November Bold Forester Beer Festival, Bold Forester, Botany Avenue-Mansfield
2nd to 4th November Hull Real Ale & Cider Fest, Hull City Hall, Victoria Square-Hull 70 Ales www.hullcamra.org
2nd to 5th November Cross Keys Autumn Beer Festival, Cross Keys, Market Place-Belper
4th November Beehive Beer Festival, Beehive, Peashill-Ripley
9th to 11th November West Bridgford Hockey Club Beer Festival, 276 Loughborough Road, next to Fire Station-West Bridgeford
9th to 11th November Lady Bay Beer Festival, Trent Boulevard-West Bridgeford
9th to 11th November York Beer Fest Priory St Centre-York 100 Ales www.yorkcamra.free-online.co.uk
23rd to 25th November Dudley Winter Ales Fayre, Dudley Concert Hall, St James Road-Dudley www.dudleycamra.org.uk
23rd to 26th November Ilford Beer Festival, Ilford Club, Station Road-Ilkeston
8th to 9th December Out of the Vaults Beer Festival, King Street-Leicester. Approx 35 beers www.outofthevaults.com
4th to 6th January Derby Winter Beer Festival, Assembly Rooms, Market Place-Derby
14th to 16th December Old Oak Beer Festival, Old Oak, Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse
17th to 20th January National Winter Ales Festival-Manchester
18th to 20th January Magpies Beer Festival, Meadow Club, Notts County Football Club, Meadow Lane-Nottingham
26th January Boat Club Annual Beer Festival, Trentside-Nottingham, 20 beers, open from 6pm

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 or e-mail: uplonkerrodneym2006@yahoo.co.uk by the 23rd of the month.

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