



# RuRAD Rural Real Ale Drinkers

In The Sticks

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Welcome to this month's edition of "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 50 pubs in 32 different locations, 4 Breweries and 42 Beer Festivals.

## Beer and Pub News

The Pedigree at **Belper's** only back street pub the **Royal Oak** on Mill Street was as good as ever when Jonathan Kriek and I called in on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August.

The number of guest beers has been increased to three on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays at the **George & Dragon** on Chapel Street **Belper**.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August these were Marston Moor Quartermasters Quaff 4.3%, Archers Merry go Round 4.1% and Shepherd Neame Spitfire all at £2.40 a pint.

Steve Baines the new licensee at the **Lord Nelson** on Chapel Street **Belper** is trying a selection of beers to find the most popular with the locals to enable him to select a regular.

To date these have included Courage Directors, Greene King IPA, Abbot Ale, Black Sheep Bitter and Taylors Landlord.

Steve a fan of B52 told us that he is also keen to try beers from local micros such as Leadmill.

Two guest beers were available at the **Cross Keys** on the Market Place **Belper** the same evening were Gales Butser Bitter 3.4% and Willy's Original Bitter 3.8% both at £2.10 a pint; I'm told the later is supposed to taste of the sea-mmm?

Nigel & Mo report that the **Nags Head** in **Ripley** no longer sells real ale. (19/08/05)

The **Hunters Arms** in **Kilburn** has been closed since Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July.

Tweedle Dumb and The Old Man called in at the **Hawthorns**, in **South Normanton** on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August to find that it had been reborn.

They had 3 (three) Real ales on offer, Abbott, Old Speckled Hen and Landlord just coming on. We tried the two that were available and both of them were in a fine condition.

After that, they went on to The **Station**, in **Alfreton**, where the new landlord, who has only been in for just 2 weeks so far, had Adnams on sale.

This too was very drinkable, and on chatting to the licensee, we found out that he wants to try some of our local micro's to build up his real ale trade.

The beer list for the VJ Weekend at the **Crich** Tramway Villages **Red Lion** on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> August was their biggest ever range and included Clark's (Wakefield) Classic Blonde. Hop Back: Odyssey. Leadmill: B52, Charisma Bypass, Curly Blonde, Dreamweaver, Old Oak, and Splash & Dash. Moorhouses: Black Cat. Tom Wood: Harvest Bitter. Vale (Bucks): Black Beauty, Black Swan, Wychert plus Thatcher's Medium cider.

Over the August Bank Holiday weekend the beers included Acorn Barnsley Bitter, Ossett Silver King, Burton Bridge Golden Delicious, Leadmill: Curly Blonde, Dreamweaver, Ginger Spice, Maple Porter, Old Oak, Old Mottled Cock, Snakeyes, Splash & Dash and Thatcher's Cider.

Me Owd Conker visited the **Holybrook Inn**, **Heatherton** on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August and found the following beers available Marstons Pedigree 4.5%, Draught Bass 4.4%, Tetley's Imperial Cask Bitter 4.3% and Mansfield Cask Ale 3.9%.

With his pass out still valid the following day **Ye Olde Packhorse Inn Kings Newton**, Nr **Melbourne** had Top Hat Bitter 4.8%, Adnam's Broadside 4.7% and Cameron's Creamy Bitter 3.6%.

**Hardys & Hansons** have opened a new bar in **Eastwood** called the **Gallery**, it is not yet clear if real ale is available.

The **Princess Victoria** in **Matlock Bath** saw a change of licensee on 9<sup>th</sup> September when Emma Hill took the helm. Emma has previously worked at the **Cross Keys Belper**.

Colin's "Brewery of the Month" for this month at the **Cross Keys Belper** continues with beers from the Durham Brewery and will include: - Definitive 3.8%, Dark Secret 4.3%, Evensong 5.0% and White Amarillo 4.1%. Other attractions will include Bateman's Combined Harvest 4.4%, Bateman's Victory 5.9%, Brains Merlin's Oak 4.3% and Everards Sunchaser 4.0%.

Fresh from their exploits at the GBBF in London and after attending Nicks the beer festival at the **Victoria** on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August, Tweedle Dumb and the Old Man conducted a mini pub survey round **Alfreton** and reported the following: -

### Hudson Bay

Banks Fine Fettle 4.8% £2.20 pint

### Robin Hood

Appeared to be no real ale but possibly had H & H Kimberley Bitter dispensed by electric pump?

### Plough

Draught Bass; Caledonian Deuchars IPA; Tetley's Dark Mild - we were told that a Mild is always available!!

### Blue Bell

Greene King IPA 3.6% £1.90 a pint; Ruddles County 4.3% £2.16 a pint; Greene King Abbot Ale 5.0% £2.30 a pint.

### Waggon & Horses

Marston's Burton Bitter; Greene King Abbot Ale 5.0%; Arundel Footslogger 4.4%; Wood's Summer That 3.7%; Weston's Old Rosie 7.3%; Weston's Vintage Cider 7.3% - 2 Real Ciders Available!!

A new massive outside drinking area (estimated. 400 - 500% bigger than before!!) - we were told that this could appear at a lot more Wetherspoons pubs in preparation for the Smoking Ban.

Haddonsman reports that on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August Smiling Steve at **Ockbrook's Royal Oak** had Durham Magus 3.8% £2.00, Berrow Topsy Turvey 5.9% £2.30 (lovely stuff) and Cottage JTW 4.2% £2.20.

Jedediah Trippe called in at the **King William Milford** at the end of August where they had Bass, Shardlow Golden Hop and St Austell Tribute, all at £2.20. "The Shardlow was good"

## Brewery News

### Leadmill-Denby

[www.leadmillbrewery.co.uk](http://www.leadmillbrewery.co.uk)

August saw the introduction of two new beers to add to the Leadmill's large portfolio of Ales, these being the Beast at 5.7%, a stronger version of B52, and Born in the USA at 5.0%.

Plans are afoot to open the **Old Stables Bar** in **Denby** on Thursday nights, but this is likely to be later on this year.

Leadmill came to the rescue at **Moor Green Show** by supplying additional beers when supplies ran low on the last day.

Future plans are to increase the brewing capacity to meet ever-increasing demand by setting up another brewery in the out buildings at Richards's new property in Kilburn. Building work is well under way and the 2 and a half barrel plant is hoped to be in operation by the end of October. The Brewery will be called the **Bottle Brook Brewery**.

### Funfair Brewing Co-Ilkeston

[www.funfairbrewingcompany.com](http://www.funfairbrewingcompany.com)

Dave continues to develop recipes for new beers which will include Candy Floss 4.4%, Tunnel of Love 4.3% and Wall of Death which, at the time of writing the ABV was not known, A special one off 4.7% pale beer was recently brewed for a Birthday celebration, which was held at the **Out of the Vaults** pub in **Leicester**.

In between creating new recipes the focus is now to build up local trade.

Dodgem 4.7% seems to be favoured at pubs locally being spotted recently at the **Old Stables Bar Denby** and the **Dew Drop Beer Festival Ilkeston**.

Brandy Snap 4.7% was amongst the guest beers at the **Old Oak Horsley Woodhose Beer Festival** in early September.

### Falstaff-Normanton

[www.falstaffbrewery.co.uk](http://www.falstaffbrewery.co.uk)

Smiling Assassin 5.2% and GBBF debutant Fist Full of Hops 4.5% were both available at Mansfield & Ashfield CAMRA's beer tent as part of the 156<sup>th</sup> Moor Green Show over the August Bank holiday weekend.

### Danelaw-Chellaston

[www.danelawbrewery.co.uk](http://www.danelawbrewery.co.uk)

Steve & Paul recently brewed a festival special for the Birmingham Beer Festival which follows the Nelson theme called Flagship, the beer will be the basis for Danelaw Valhalla to be brewed sometime in the future. It's a strong, dark bitter at 5.0% with less hops than the Cnut, and will hopefully taste maltier.

The brew plant has been extended with a larger Mash Tun to cope with more malt for

the stronger ales and the copper is larger to increase the yield per mash. The lads have been averaging 8 nines a brew, the weaker beers, which are made over strength, are watered down in the fermenter to increase the yield to 10. It is hoped that the improved plant will ensure 10 or 11 of even the stronger beers.

## Visit Reports

Whilst taking a short break in **Skegness** during August we decided to visit the Inventory pub, this being the **Ship Hotel**, which was in the 1930's style and Décor. Full of character, but was unfortunately spoilt by a bar full of electric pumps offering a large choice of larger and very little in the way of bitter, with no hand pumps in sight!

The next day we visited the **Willoughby Arms** in the country village of **Willoughby**, sampling the guest beer HSB and the seasonal beer from Bateman's; Middle Wicket. Also, on the bar was Bateman's XB. Both the beers we tried were on form, and so they should be for the price we paid, £2.80 for a pint and £1.45 for a half and no evident price list visible! Needless to say we never stopped for another.

The following day when we visited **Louth**, calling in at the **Wheat Sheaf Inn**, in Westgate and the **Old Whyte Swanne** in Eastgate.

The **Wheat Sheaf Inn** had 6 real ales on, and the **Tipsy Toad** 3.8%, house beer was sampled at £2.00 a pint. Other beers available were: Bass, Deuchars IPA, Flowers Original, Greene King IPA and Tom Wood.

The **Whyte Swanne**, 10 minutes down the road served up **Old Peculiar**, which went down a treat, also on the bar was Deuchars IPA. It was a pity we didn't have time to try the other three real ale pubs in Louth.-Charisma

### Supporting local Beer Festivals

#### **White Post Stanley Common Beer Festival August bank Holiday weekend.**

It's always a nice little Beer Festival that's well worth a visit, not only for its varied selection of beers, but also for its warm friendly atmosphere.

They had a selection of 12 ales, with something to suit everyone's taste, from the local micros such as Tower, Falstaff and Derby Brewing Co, to the more unusual beers like Caveman 5.0% from the Kinver Brewery and the Caretaker of History 6.0% from the Red Rose Brewery. However, I was surprised to see a beer specially brewed for the Peterborough beer festival on the bar, this being **Posh Stuff** from the Tower Brewery, but my favourite was **Khyber Pass** from Oakham at 5.5%, and very nice!

That's one thing about Vic the Landlord, he likes his strong beers, a man after my own heart!

The highlight of the festival was to see the beer tent still standing, as on the past three occasions it had all blown away!

Well done to Vic, who was well assisted by Ant behind the festival bar and the rest of his staff.-Charisma

### **Del, Rod & Triggers Sassenach Tour PART ONE**

On Saturday July 30<sup>th</sup> we, along with 18 other various family members and Friends, set off to Scotland. What with it being such a long way away we decided to stay over night in **Stirling**, where Trigger & I seized the opportunity to visit the city's GBG pubs. Our first stop was **Portcullis** on Castle Wynd (near Stirling castle ..... Surprisingly) just one real ale was available, Inveralmond Lia Fail 4.7%, but the place is full of character and well worth a visit. Then we had to walk all the way down the hill to the **Settle Inn** on St Mary's Wynd, this pub (of which half seemed to be in a cave) usually has 3 real ales on but on our visit Inveralmond Thrappledouser 4.3% was the only one available, still it was another characterful pub. At this point several other members of the party had joined us and were too comfy to move so we left them and went in search of the **Hogshead** on Baker Street. After walking the length of Baker Street twice with no sign of the Hogshead, Trigger and I were left scratching our heads until we asked one of the locals who told us the name had been changed, about 6 weeks, ago to **No2 Baker St** .....the pub we were standing outside of!!!!!! On entry to the pub we found Greene King IPA 3.6%, Abbott 5.0% & Ale Fresco 4.3%, Taylors Landlord 4.3%, Caledonian IPA 3.8%, a bit of a Wetherspoons towny type pub but the locals were friendly enough. Not bad for a first night.

The Following day we all met up at **Aviemore** to do some shopping but Del, Trig & I managed to visit the GBG listed **Cairngorm Hotel**, Cairngorm Stag 4.1% was the only real ale on offer so we tried it and nice it was too. We then rejoined the rest of the team in the peculiarly named **Winking Owl**, which had Caledonian Deuchars IPA 3.8% & 80/- 4.1%. We decided to leave Aviemore's other GBG listed pub, the **Old Bridge Inn**, for another day.....but forgot.

On a drive out to Loch Ness I was Joined by Ringo (a fizz drinker but a nice bloke all the same) as I went in search of the GBG listed **Benleva Hotel** at **Drumnadrochit**. The pub is situated about 800 metres down a lane off the A82 and had 3 ales to go at, Caledonian Deuchars IPA, Isle of Skye Young Pretender 4.0% & Orkney Red MacGregor 4.0% we both tried the IPA....well done Ringo.

## The Ex Adman Column

For this month, we visit **Shrewsbury** and a real classic - the **Loggerheads**, which can be found on Church Street in the town centre. Grade 2 listed, the original layout of four rooms has been retained. Three of the rooms, including the lounge, are served by hatchways, two via a superb stone - flagged corridor. There is a magnificent formerly gentleman's - only room that has old - fashioned scrubbed tables and comfortable settles within it, and the superb wood - panelled Poet's Room hosts the monthly meetings of the Anglo - Welsh Poets Society. Folk music sessions, held occasionally on Thursday evenings, are also a feature. All in all, a superb pub with a very traditional, welcoming atmosphere, and good beer to boot. The pub is a Good Beer Guide regular as well as being in the National Inventory, and regular beers include Banks Original and Bitter, Bass, Pedigree and a changing guest. Meals are available at lunchtimes from Monday to Saturday, and the opening hours on those days are 11 - 11. On Sundays the pub is open from 12 - 3 and 8 - 10:30. The Loggerheads is the only pub in Shrewsbury to feature in the National Inventory, and is a short and worthwhile walk from Shrewsbury railway station.

It occurred to me whilst writing this column that I haven't been to Shrewsbury for about 6 years. It is a town well worth a visit, and can be relatively easily reached by train, so if anyone is interested in going there, and apart from the 6 GBG pubs there are a few others worth going to, then you can contact me via "In The Sticks"

Cheers, Exadman

In mid August Bald Eagle, Pac-a-Mac and Edmond called at the **George (& Dragon) in Belper**. Here were 5 real ales; Tetley Bitter. Greene King Abbot (the two regular ales) and 3 guests; Lloyd's Copperhead, Arundel ASB and Skinner's Davy Jones's Knocker. The quality was outstanding! They have 2 guests throughout the week and 3 at the weekend. After having a brief chat with the land lady we can reveal that there is a possibility in the future for 4 guest beers at the weekend...Fingers crossed!

On the same night the **Pear Tree in Ripley** had 5 real ales from the Hardy's & Hanson's Stable; Mild, Bitter, Olde Trip and 2 seasonals; Davios Droop and Friars Fancy. Both the seasonals were of excellent quality. Next on is Williams Declaration.

### Teddy's Travels (in Albert's Taxi)

Teddy has been on his travels to the woods, not in search of a picnic but in search of Beer - in the **Forest Of Dean**.

Teddy stayed with his friend Fluffy in the village of **Bream**. The village has two pubs, the

**Cross Keys** which unfortunately had no real ale on offer and the **Rising Sun** which has been a past entry in the GBG but has changed hands a couple of times recently. However it now seems to be thriving again and real Ale is once again a priority. On the night we visited, a couple of ales had just gone but there was still a choice of Goffs- Jouster and Freeminer - Speculation. Both were well kept. The new landlord is keen to promote Real Ale once again.

Just outside Bream is the hamlet of **Parkend** where we both visited the GBG listed **Fountain Inn**. This was excellent with three beers on offer, Rev. James - Hooky Bitter and Freeminer Bitter. Beers change regularly and the food which is served in a separate dining room comes well recommended.

Teddy and Fluffy had planned to walk in the nearby Black Mountains the next day but the weather forced them into the pub once again. They chose another GBG entry, the **Clytha Arms Hotel** near to **Abergavenny**.

This again was excellent with an ever-changing range of beers.

On offer on their visit were, Cambrian Best Bitter, Hook Norton Hooky Bitter, Fullers Discovery, Tanglefoot Strong Ale and four ciders, Old Rosie, Thatcher's Gold, Stowford Press and Herefordshire Country Perry.

A Beer and Cheese Festival was being held over the August Bank Holiday weekend which sounded absolutely wonderful but Teddy had to say Goodbye to Fluffy and pack his case for home, or at least pack , unpack and then pack again for his next travels to Whitby Folk Festival, but that's another tale !!

### Bigfoz's travels with his Dad

2<sup>nd</sup> August 2005

**Ace of Diamonds, Miles Platting, Greater Manchester**

Holt Bitter, Twaites Bitter, Lancaster Bomber

Dad says: frightening location.

BigFoz says: but smashing Victorian pub inside.

**Royal Oak, Oldham, Greater Manchester**

Robinsons Best Bitter, Robinson Hatters

BigFoz says: found this place easily enough.

Dad says: *after* we went into the wrong Royal Oak.

5<sup>th</sup> August 2005

**Gate Inn, Cutthorpe**

Black Sheep Bitter, Deuchar's IPA Fullers, London Pride, Fuller's ESB

Dad says: not really in Cutthorpe though, is it?

BigFoz says: therefore, difficult to find.

Dad says: it's difficult for *you* to find.

BigFoz says: shut up and drink your beer.

**Royal Oak, Belper**

Pedigree

BigFoz says: it'll take more than good intentions to turn this pub around.

Dad says: and more beer choice as well

9<sup>th</sup> August 2005

**Admiral Rodney, Calverton, Nottinghamshire**

Brunswick Bitter, Everards Original

BigFoz says: typical old Home Ales house.

Dad says: now owned by Everards. Good food...

BigFoz says: ...and one of my favourite beers

16<sup>th</sup> August 2005

**De Engelbewaarder, 59 Kloveniersburgwal, Amsterdam, the Netherlands**

Cristal bier, Bruges Tripel, Grumbergen

Blonde, Grumbergen Brun, Palm bier

BigFoz says: now this place is a real find. Sit here by the canal and watch the world go by...

Dad says: bit wobbly, these tables and chairs; no safety rail; somebody could easily fall i...

BigFoz says: ...good range of beers; great atmosphere; live jazz Sundays and...dad? Dad?

21<sup>st</sup> August 2005

**Old Stables Bar, Denby**

Leadmill Old Oak Bitter, Sidewinder, Splash

and Dash, Dead End Job, Agent Orange, Born in the USA, Maple Porter, Blackwater Hop

Twister, Holden Frail Rib, Leatherbritches

Roasted Barley, Okell's Summer Storm

Dad says: we've been here before.

BigFoz says: glad to see you're not suffering from Alzheimer's, then, Dad.

Dad says: have we been here before?

24<sup>th</sup> August 2005

**Bar, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Greater Manchester**

Marble Manchester Bitter, Phoenix White

Tornado, Phoenix Wobbly Bob

BigFoz says: keep coming back here because of the superb food.

Dad says: the Wobbly Bob's got nothing to do with it?

BigFoz says: you might have something there.

29<sup>th</sup> August 2005

**Greyhound, Belper**

Bombardier, Pedigree, Directors

BigFoz says: you know that new landlord I was praising the other month? Well he doesn't

seem to be here any more. Beer's good though.

Dad says: It's served too cold...freezes me gums.

30<sup>th</sup> August 2005

**Hop Inn, Belper**

Pedigree

BigFoz says: never have got on with this place.

Dad says: decent Pedigree...never thought I'd say that again.

BigFoz says: it was the only place open and the quiz machine means we'll go out with more than we came in with.

31<sup>st</sup> August 2005

### **Lathkill Hotel, Over Haddon**

Iceni Celtic Queen, Hartington IPA

BigFoz says: ever get the impression a landlord doesn't really know what he's doing?

Dad says: good ale, though.

BigFoz says: that forgives a lot.

### **George Hotel, Youlgreave**

Old Speckled Hen, Theakston's Mild, John Smith Cask, Peak Bakewell Best Bitter

BigFoz says: like this place. First taste of Peak beers.

Dad says: food in monstrous portions. This steak and ale pie has defeated me.

BigFoz says: pass us your plate, then, I'll finish it off for you.

### **Cross Keys, Belper**

Bateman XB, Bateman XXXB, Bateman Valiant, Willy's Coxswain Bitter

BigFoz says: I don't think we've ever given Colin the credit he deserves for turning this pub around and presenting us with consistently well-kept ale.

Dad says: which one's he, then?

**Proposed Trips** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September Burton Beer Festival by train: Contact Charisma on 07974 171243 for further details.  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October Milestone Brewery visit by minibus: Contact Tweedle Dee on 01332 881299 for further details.

### **Beer Festival Diary**

15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September Birmingham Beer Festival Aston University Guild of Students, Gosta Green-Birmingham.

15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 12<sup>th</sup> Scunthorpe Beer Festival, Crosby Hotel, Normanby Road-Scunthorpe.

15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 26<sup>th</sup> Darlington Beer and Music Festival, Arts Centre, Vane Terrace-Darlington.

15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September Bagthorpe Beer Festival at the Dixie's Arms Pub, School Road-Lower Bagthorpe. [www.mansfieldcamra.org.uk](http://www.mansfieldcamra.org.uk)

15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September 9<sup>th</sup> Severn Valley Railway Festival, SVR Bridgenorth Station.

16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 12<sup>th</sup> Northwich Beer Festival, Memorial Hall-Northwich.

16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 3<sup>rd</sup> Melton Mowbray Beer Festival, Cattle Market, Scalford Road-Melton Mowbray.

16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September Green Man Beer Festival, 29 Scotgate-Stamford.

16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September North Notts Beer Festival, Ceres Suite, Queen Building, Potter Street-Worksop. [www.camra.org.uk/nnotts](http://www.camra.org.uk/nnotts)

18<sup>th</sup> September Crayke Village Real Ale Festival at the Durham Ox-Crayke near York. [www.crayke.org.uk/beerfest](http://www.crayke.org.uk/beerfest)

22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> Brunswick Beer Festival, Station Approach-Derby.

22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 26<sup>th</sup> Burton upon Trent Beer Festival Town Hall-Burton upon Trent.

23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September Nantwich Beer Festival Civic Hall, Market Street-Nantwich. [www.sustainability-alliance.org.uk/food/fetival/beerfestival.htm](http://www.sustainability-alliance.org.uk/food/fetival/beerfestival.htm)

23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September Gladstone Autumn Beer Festival, Loscoe Road-Carrington.

23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September Greyhound Inn Beer Festival, 82 High Street-Mansfield Woodhouse.

29<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October Sheffield's 31<sup>st</sup> Steel City Beer Festival St Philips Social Club-Sheffield. [www.sheffieldcamra.co.uk](http://www.sheffieldcamra.co.uk)

29<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October Grapes Beer Festival High Street-Belper.

29<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October Keighley Beer, Cider & Perry Festival Victoria Hall, Victoria Park, Bradford Road-Keighley.

30<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October 7<sup>th</sup> Solihull & District Beer Festival, British Legion, Union Road-Solihull. [www.solihullcamra.org](http://www.solihullcamra.org)

30<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October Royal Oak Beer Festival-Watnall.

2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October Maltings Beer Festival, Lendal Bridge-York. [www.maltings.co.uk](http://www.maltings.co.uk)

5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October Bedford Beer Festival, The Corn Exchange, St Pauls Square-Bedford. [www.northbedscamra.org.uk](http://www.northbedscamra.org.uk)

6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October Hull Real Ale & Cider Festival, Mortimer Suite, Hull City Hall-Kingston upon Hull.

6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October Huddersfield Oktober Beer & Cider Festival, Irish Centre Fitzwilliam Street-Huddersfield. [www.huddscamra.org.uk](http://www.huddscamra.org.uk)

6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> October Royal Oak Beer Festival-Ockbrook.

6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> October Steam Packet Beer Festival-Swanwick.

6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> October Crescent Beer Festival, The Crescent, Windsor Crescent-Salford.

8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> October Royal Oak Beer Festival Hanging Bridge-near Ashbourne.

12 to 16<sup>th</sup> October Bolton Beer Festival, Howcroft Inn, Pool Street-Bolton. [www.beer-festival.co.uk](http://www.beer-festival.co.uk)

13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> October 15<sup>th</sup> Wakefield Beer Festival, Light Waves Leisure Centre-Wakefield. [www.camra.org.wakefield](http://www.camra.org.wakefield)

13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> October Quorn Octoberfest, Village Hall, Leicester Road-Quorn.

20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> October 29<sup>th</sup> Nottingham Cider & Beer Festival Victoria Leisure Centre-Sneinton. [www.nottinghamcamra.org](http://www.nottinghamcamra.org)

20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> October Old Poets Corner Beer Festival-Ashover.

27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October Cross Keys Beer Festival Market Place-Belper.

27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October Holly Bush Inn Beer Festival-Makeney.

27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October Barnsley Beer Festival at the Keel Inn near Asda-Barnsley. [www.yourpint.com](http://www.yourpint.com)

28<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> October Mallard Halloween Beer Festival, Railway Station-Worksop.

10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November Monarch Hockey Club Beer Festival, Clubhouse, 276 Loughborough Road-West Bridgeford.

11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> November The Boat Inn Beer Festival, The Scarthin-Cromford. [www.theboatatcromford.co.uk](http://www.theboatatcromford.co.uk)

17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November Cask & Cutler Beer Festival, Henry Street, Shalesmoor-Sheffield.

18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November Erewash Camra 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Beer Festival Sports Centre-Sandiacre [www.erewash-camra.org](http://www.erewash-camra.org)

24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November Ilford Club Beer Festival, Station Road-Ilkeston.

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

In the next issue of "In the Sticks" look out for Del, Rod & Triggers Sassenach Tour Part 2, the Exadman's column on historic pubs, Big Foz's travels with his Dad and Jedediah's first Trippe to outer Birmingham.

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 or e-mail : [billyonemate2004@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:billyonemate2004@yahoo.co.uk)

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