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### In the Sticks

September 2011

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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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The Widow Frost in Mansfield will be holding the first of what will hopefully be a monthly mini-beer festival in September. The theme for this first festival will be LocAle, with all of the ales coming from local breweries such as Leadmill, Coppice Side, Brampton, Funfair etc. The festival dates are Thursday 1st to Sunday 4th September inclusive, and a CAMRA members discount will be offered for the duration of the festival on the festival ales

Richard Creighton and Chris Turner of Leadmill & Coppice Side respectively, have leased the Butchers Arms in Heanor from a property developer on a 5-year lease with an option to buy, once the lease is up. Both breweries beers, as well as Bottle Brook, are regularly available at the Red Lion at Ripley

News has reached us that the proposed takeover of the Green Man in Ashbourne by the Wetherspoon group has fallen through. Ed's Leatherbritches Brewery, which was based there moved out a while ago and has been brewing on the plant at the Tap House Brewery in Smisby nr Ashby. Though it is reported that new premises have been found in Ashbourne

The Bulls Head at Belper Lane End is due to re-open after over a year closed

The Railway at Cowers Lane should have re-opened by now after a refurbishment

The Cross Keys at Turnditch is still closed as is the Cock Inn at Muggington which still shows no sign of progress

#### Amber Valley CAMRA Update

1<sup>st</sup> Sept - 8.30 beer festival meeting Thorn Tree, Waingroves. 17<sup>th</sup> Sept - 7.30 free bus surveying pubs in Heage and Nether Heage. Departs Ripley MP, for Alfreton and Belper pick-ups, please ring Alison 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept - 8.30 Branch meeting Black Boy, Heage. 29<sup>th</sup> Sept - 2nd Oct 2nd Ripley Rail Ale Fest at Butterley Station, staff required, please Contact Social Sec Alison on 01773 570675

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#### Beer and Pub News

Martyn & Sharon Wright have taken over the Shakespeare Inn at Shardlow. Pedigree is the regular beer together with 3 changing guest beers on offer with lunch and evening food being available

Mr. Grundy's on Ashbourne Rd, Derby raised £400 from their recent Derby ales beer festival and donated to the round table

Blue Monkey brewery have brought the Lord Nelson in Eastwood

The Mallard on Worksop railway station will be holding an 'Ale'oween Beer Festival 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> of October, which will be open 11-11 daily and have up to 18 real ales and 2 traditional ciders. Snacks will also be available at all sessions

The Peacock on old Nottingham Road, Derby is currently closed for refurbishment

The Horse & Groom on Parker Street Derby has dropped Pedigree as a regular beer due to quality issues and so now has 3 guest beer plus Bass available, recently Oakham JHB and Phoenix Arizona 4.1 were the guest beers available

The Headmasters Office at Kilburn has been closed for several months, not surprising after charging around £3.50 for Greene King IPA

#### The Codnor Inn

Jessop Street, Codnor

5 hand pumps with local micro brewery beers including Coppice Side.

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A visit was paid recently to Gotham, Notts to see Richard & Sue fellow RuRADians who have taken over the Sun Inn. On the bar were 3 Everards beers, Tiger, Beacon and Original also 2 guest beers from Titanic and Ironbridge. The pub was busy and well supported by the locals, with the Beacon flying out. Future events include a beer festival and a meet the brewer evening on October 18<sup>th</sup>

Alan & Jane Johnson regulars at the Old Oak Inn, Horsley Woodhouse, have bought the Nelson at Middleton by Wirksworth after the pub had gone bust. We believe Alan is hoping to open as soon as he has got the license sorted out as the pub had already been de-licensed, good luck to Alan & Jane

Recent beers to appear at the RuRAD Bar included Prancing Pony 3.9% from Middle Earth Brew Co and St Stephen's 3.8% from Rowditch Brewery, both went down very well for lower gravity beers as most of the drinkers in the RuRAD Bar like their strong stuff

Now in its 24<sup>th</sup> year the beer festival at the Brunswick Inn, Derby will run from Sept 28<sup>th</sup>-Oct 1<sup>st</sup> featuring over 40 real ales, real cider is also available, and as you are in the area don't pass by the Alexandra Hotel next door where quality ales are also served with 20p a pint CAMRA discount

**Paul & Lyn welcome you to the**

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beer that he was after. It has also appeared at the RuRAD Bar, Derby's Brewery Tap, and the Flowerpot among others. A second beer Dragons Gold 4.1% has been brewed and Twelley tells us "It is a golden ale using cascade hops for a citrus bitterness. It should contrast nicely with Prancing Pony that has a very dry bitterness. We have had great reports about Pony from landlords so far and have some repeat orders including the Tavern at Belper". A darker beer is planned for the winter months

After a cycle ride on 6<sup>th</sup> August we stopped late afternoon in Longnor to visit the Grapes, which had recently re-opened after a long period of closure. It obviously needs a lot of TLC and there was no-one else in but to their great credit offered 3 ales, none of which were nationals. We sampled Weetwood Cheshire Cat, Storm Tornado and Wincle Rambler, all of which were good before foolishly deciding to visit the other pubs in Longnor. The Horseshoe had a very poor Pedigree and Marstons Bitter, which my friend could not drink at all whilst the Cheshire Cheese which is more of a restaurant had a moderate Robinsons Unicorn. The Crewe & Harpur now advertises outside as only open to residents which was particularly hard to understand - Chris P Duck

On the 17<sup>th</sup> August Bold Eagle and myself went to Nottingham CAMRA presentation evening at the Gate Inn at Awwsworth, the place was packed in fact I have never seen so many people at a pub for a long time. There were 5 or 6 beers of which 2 had sold out before we left, but the big disappointment was that the promised Bathams Bitter never appeared, I think a lot of people came especially for this beer, we left like a lot of others extremely disappointed - Charisma

of the beers included Elsie Mo and Harvest Pale from Castle Rock, T'owd Man from Wirksworth, Stairway to Heaven Burton Bridge, Dovedale from Leatherbritches, other beers included Coal Porter, Ashby Pride, and Alton Abbey, with the BG Sips from Blue Money sold out. I sampled the Elsie Mo and the Jaipur from the main bar, but with the music appearing to get louder I decided it was time to go - Charisma

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## **Brewery News**

### **Ashover - Ashover**

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

The brewery have produced a new beer called Turning Stone at 4.4%, which we are told is brown in colour

### **Bottle Brook - Kilburn**

Richard has produced 2 new beers, which were on sale at the Old Oak Inn, Horsley Woodhouse on bank holiday weekend, the beers being Butterley Tunnel 4.2% and Mellow Yellow, which is 5%+

### **Dancing Duck - Derby**

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

A 4% experimental beer has been seen in various pubs in the area and it seems to have a variety of names including, Mucky Duck, Brown Clough & Mystery Duck

### **Derventio - Trusley**

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

Two new beers doing the rounds have been Pegasus 4.1% and Mermaid 3.9%

### **Funfair Brewing Co - Ilkeston**

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

Planning permission to relocate the brewery from Ilkeston to Elston has now been granted. Preparations will begin in the coming weeks, although no timeframe has been given. The brewery continues to produce its core range of beers and is running at full capacity. Meanwhile a "Back to School" theme night is next on the list of innovative social events being planned for the Chequers Inn, Elston, as the brewery tap continues to gain popularity with locals

### **Marlpool - Marlpool**

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

Things are back to normal at the brewery with Andy now being able to serve beer again after clarifying the situation with the local council

### **Middle Earth Brewing Co - Derby**

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

The first beer from Middle Earth brewery based at the Rowditch Inn, Derby appeared on the bar at the Rowditch on 11<sup>th</sup> August, called Prancing Pony 3.9% it is a pale bitter beer, which according to brewer Steve Twells is the style of

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On a Friday evening I paid a visit to the Eagle Tavern in Heage, which had a local ales theme there were 10 beers and 3 ciders to choose from, the pub was very busy. Some

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> of August I Manged my way to West Hallam to visit the Punch Bowl beer festival where the entertainment was in full swing when I arrived. There were 14 beers on the festival bar, with, unusually, the same amount being rotated on the pumps in the pub. I started off with Brewsters Rutterkin and Rudgate Well Blathered before I was joined by Uncle Albert & Sea Bass. Ossett Excelsior was sampled before we ventured in to the pub to try Kelham Island Riders on the Storm and Peakstones Rock Chained Oak. We were later joined by Comical Ali and even Mr. Sleepy managed to drag himself out of bed! Steady Steve turned up later on, which was handy as he gave me a lift home...much appreciated after finishing off on B&T SOD and Westons Scrupmy! - Ed

On Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July I called into the Newdigate at West Hallam to take a look at the beer festival but being Sunday it was a case of what was left, out of the 18 ales 12 remained, with the 4 ciders all sold out. I decided to sample the Bank Top, Gold Digger and the Blonde Bombshell from Houston, beers from other breweries included Skinners, Potbelly, Nutbrook, Milk Street, Green Jack, Spire, Spectrum, Beartown, Buffy's and the list goes on. Pity the stronger beers had sold out, these being Narrowboat & Old Stoa Wobbler still it looked as if they had had a very good festival - Charisma

During the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of August we had business in Wantage, Oxfordshire so an overnight stay was decided on, which gave us chance to look at the pubs. We looked in the GBG to find 1 entry, the Royal Oak (battleship not king & tree) so business complete we searched the town. First in sight was the Shoulder of Mutton, which had a huge banner advertising CAMRA on the side of the building. We were greeted by 10 hand pumps in the central servery. The beers were from the likes of Tring, Loddon, 1648, Ridgeway, Art Brew, Butts, Vale & Tutt's Clump all of which were £3 a

pint, which seemed to be the standard price for the area. We were made very welcome by the bar manager and the landlord who had to leave to attend a CAMRA branch meeting. Our next port of call was the **Royal Oak** with 8 ales on hand pump but the landlord fetched the beer from the cellar on the ground floor. There were 4 beers from West Berkshire Brewery, Wadworth, Mighty Oak Oscar Wilde (new champion beer, I didn't like it) and Adkin. Again we were made very welcome and we met the landlord of the King Alfred who told us he is trying to get in the 2012 GBG. What was a business trip turned out to be an excellent evening and will be repeated. You just have to avoid the Greene King pubs (that can be said for anywhere - Ed) - Don Pedro & 'Er in Doors

were 8 more that we did not find. On 10<sup>th</sup> July we took a trip to the Wirral, an area largely unknown to me. Targeting the old-fashioned seaside resort of **New Brighton** which held 5 GBG pubs, I was pleased with the gardens and shoreline as we walked along the promenade although slightly less so by views of Liverpool. After a couple of miles we reached the former **Egremont Ferry** and decided to visit a rustic pub of the same name. This had 4 beers on plus my favourite - a friendly barmaid. The beers were Bombardier, Speckled Hen, Rev James & I had a local Cains Bitter. With time pressing we walked back to the GBG **Magazine Hotel** which is only yards from the sea & famous locally for its Bass. I was tempted by a new brewery to me, Brimstage, of which the Trapper's Hat & Scarecrow were sampled and enjoyed especially the former. Landlord and York Pride of York were also available in this great pub with an excellent meal and a forthcoming beerfest promoted. Later in the afternoon nearer the town another GBG pub, the **Queens Royal** was visited for a quick half before departure. This again had Trapper's Hat plus Hawkshead Bitter & Windermere Pale; decent beer again but with less atmosphere than those earlier hostelries. I intend to return here later this year and stay over to try the 3 other GBG pubs plus any more not yet visited - Chris P Duck

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A bus trip to **Cambridge** on 9<sup>th</sup> July saw us arrive at about 11-00 to find dozens of police on the streets because of an anti-racism demonstration. Add to this hundreds of teenage foreign tourists being herded round the attractions and it was manic. Many of the pubs were shut until after the riot squad departed so had to settle for a punt on the river for a while. The **Mitre** was our first call but despite having 8 ales was heaving with tourists and far too hot. The beers were good; we had Hopdaemon Incubus and White Horse Saracen IPA with the others from St Peter's, Brewdog, Fullers, Adnams, Sharps and Ringwood. Nearby was the GBG **Maypole**, which looked good but was closed until 6pm so we returned to the **Champion of the Thames** which had been closed earlier. A great old-fashioned backstreet pub with very friendly barmaid and locals; whilst the beer was decent, it was a disappointing GK range with only St Austell Trelawny as my alternative. Just along the road the tiny **St Radegund** was a classic drinkers' pub with a very interesting selection of ales with 3 from Milton of which I had Pegasus. I did not have time to try their Justinian or Habit nor Wadworth Horizon, North Yorkshire Crystal Tips and Dizzy Dick or JW Lees The Governor. We needed food by now and were directed to the **Burleigh Arms** where the food was good and Young's Special was my choice from 4 national beers. Overall from a pub viewpoint I found Cambridge disappointing especially in the main centre but the outer areas would hopefully reveal a few more GBG gems on a further visit as there

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Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> of August I met up with Bagpuss & Sooty in Derby and awaited the minibus that would take us on the RuRAD trip to West Yorkshire. The bus arrived on time (and we were waiting in the right place this time) almost full to overflowing with the likes of Charisma, Didler, Bald Eagle and many other RuRADians too numerous to mention. We arrived about an hour and a half later at our first port of call, the GBG **Nook** at **Holmfirth** where there was a beer festival. Some went in while others sampled the delights of the brewhouse of which Best, Red, Fiery Red, Yorks, Blond and Oak Stout were available with Wentworth Lemonade. . .

sorry, Lemonale being a guest beer. After an hour or so we were on the move to **Huddersfield** where the first stop was the GBG **Star** where there were 10 ales including Pictish Blue Moon, Triple F Dazed & Confused, Mallinsons Mount Pleasant Mild & Hoxal Paramount, Spectrum Bezants and Brew Co Hip Hop. The GBG **Grove** was next, which had its customary array of 16+ ales from the likes of Gadds, Durham, Marble, Dark Star, Magic Rock, Buntingfords, Hawkshead and Redwillow to name but a few. Not to mention a "Guest Kegs" board???? And some rather corpulent nudes on the wall. From here the bus dropped us at the station where most went to the GBG **Kings Head**, but Charisma & I had a fleeting visit to the GBG **JDW Cherry Tree** where we had a swift half of Elland Nettlethrasher before meeting up with everyone else at the GBG **Sportsman's**. There was yet another beer festival here but it only comprised of the house brewery's 10 experimental beers and the one I tried did taste experimental. There were however 8 on the wickets of which I tired Empire Little Frog Porter and Blue Bee Nectar Pale, with other beers from Taylor, Acorn, Mallinsons and Hop Scotch from Sportsman's (which I presume has been mastered). **Ossett** was the next venue and the GBG **Brewers Pride**, which had a proper beer festival though with no beer lists. 9 beers were available on the inside bar with 10 or so outside though all beers were advertised whether they were yet to come, on or gone, which I thought over-complicated things. The GBG **Tap** was next, an Ossett Brewery house that had Pale Gold, Silver King, Excelsior & Yorkshire Blonde as well as beers from Fullers, Brown Cow, Acorn & B&T. **Wakefield** was the final port of call where we were all left to our own devices. A few of us called in O'Donoghues, which is now owned by Great Heck Brewery and called the **Bull & Fairhouse**. . . or something like that. There were about 6 beers on here, by this time I was more interested in food than beer, from the likes of Raw, Brown Cow, Bob's, 5 Towns and Great Heck. A fleeting visit was made to **Fernandes Brewery Tap & Bier Keller** where a half of Brentwood Marvellous Maple Mild was favoured over beers from Ossett, Oldershaws, Fullers and Fernandes. Charisma & I got our supper and met up with everyone else at **Harry's Bar** where we all took some rounding up before we could bog off - Ed

## Beer Festival Diary - Near and Not so Near

8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> September Thorn Tree Beer Festival, Church St-Waingroves  
9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> September Derbyshire Brewers Collective Beer Fest, Darwin Suite, Assembly Rooms-Derby 60+ Ales  
16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September National Brewery Centre 1<sup>st</sup> Beer & Cider Festival, Horninglow Street-Burton-on-Trent 90 Ales  
16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September Erewash Beer Festival, Westgate Suite, Westgate-Long Eaton, 40+ Ales + Cider  
16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 9<sup>th</sup> Melton Mowbray Beer Festival, Cattle Market, Scalford Road-Melton Mowbray 50+ Ales  
19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September Criterion Beer Festival, Millstone Lane-Leicester Beers from Berkshire & Wiltshire  
22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September Princess Victoria Beer Festival, South Parade-Matlock Bath [www.pricessvic.co.uk](http://www.pricessvic.co.uk)  
22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September Holly Bush Beer Festival, Holly Bush lane-Makeney  
24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September Great Central Railway Beer Festival, Great Central Rd-Loughborough  
28<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October 24<sup>th</sup> Brunswick Beer Festival, Station Approach-Derby 50 Ales  
29<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October Burton Bridge Inn Beer & Banger Beer Festival, Bridge St-Burton on Trent  
29<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October 37<sup>th</sup> Steel City Beer & Cider Fest, Ponds Forge International Sports Centre-Sheffield  
29<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October Grapes Beer Festival, High St-Belper  
29<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October Amber Valley CAMRA Beer Festival, Midland Railway Centre-Ripley. Tickets advised  
29<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October Corner Pin Beer Festival, Palmeston St-Westwood  
29<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October Salmon Beer & Cider Festival, Butt Close Lane-Leicester, 25 Scottish & North East Ales  
5<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> October Wetherspoons Real Ale & Cider Fest, All Wetherspoon Pubs [www.jdwetherspoon.co.uk](http://www.jdwetherspoon.co.uk)  
29<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October 12<sup>th</sup> Oktoberfest, The Charnock Club, Shelthorpe Avenue-Loughborough, Leicester 35+ Ales  
6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> October The Royal Oak Beer Festival, Green Lane-Ockbrook, 40+ Lancashire Ales Tel 01332 662378  
13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> October Nottingham Beer Festival, Nottingham Castle Grounds-Nottingham up to 1,000 Ales & Ciders Available  
13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> October Old Poets Corner Beer Festival, Butts Lane-Ashover [www.oldpoets.co.uk](http://www.oldpoets.co.uk)  
27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October Poet & Castle Beer Festival, Alfreton Rd-Codnor [www.poetandcastle.co.uk](http://www.poetandcastle.co.uk)  
28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> October Mallard 'Ale'oween Beer Festival, Platform 1, Railway Station-Worksop  
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1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> September Durham Beer Festival Dunelm House, New Elvet-Durham 80 Beers Thu 5-11 Fri 11-11  
1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> September Queen Adelaide Beer Festival, 50 Manor Road, Kingthorpe-Northampton 30 Ales Tel 01604 714524  
8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> September 18<sup>th</sup> Tamworth Beer Festival, Assembly Rooms, Corporation Street-Tamworth 100 Ales  
10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> September 12<sup>th</sup> Minehead Beer Festival, The Railway Station-Minehead, Somerset 100+ Ales Ciders & Perries  
15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September York Beer & Cider Fest, Knavesmire (nr Racecourse)-York, 250 Ales 50+ Ciders & Perries  
15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> September 4<sup>th</sup> Hinckley Beer Festival, The Atkins Buildings, Lower Bond Street-Hinckley 60 Ales Cider/Perry  
16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Northwich Beer Festival, Northwich Memorial Hall, Chesterway-Northwich  
22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September Keighley Beer Festival, Victoria Hall-Keighley, 70+ Ales, Cider/Perry & Foreign Beers  
22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September 14<sup>th</sup> Scunthorpe Beer Festival, Scunthorpe Conservative Club, Doncaster Road-Scunthorpe 30 Ales  
23<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 4<sup>th</sup> North Cotswold Beer Festival, Moreton-in-Marsh, Cricket Club, Batsford Road, 50 Ales Cider/Perry  
23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September 10<sup>th</sup> Nantwich Beer Festival, Nantwich Cricket Club, Whitehouse Lane-Nantwich 60 Ales Cider/Perry  
23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September Abbfest Beer & Food Festival, Fermoy's Garden Centre, Totnes Road-Newton Abbot, Devon 150 Ales  
28<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October St Albans Beer Festival, Alban Arena, Civic Centre-St Albans 350 Ales + Cider & Perry  
29<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October Carmarthen Beer Fest, St Peters Civic Hall, Nott Sq-Carmarthen 40 Ales Cider/Perry Country Wine  
30<sup>th</sup> September to 1<sup>st</sup> October 5<sup>th</sup> Ascot Racecourse Beer Fest, 200+ Ales Cider/Perry [www.ascot.co.uk](http://www.ascot.co.uk)  
5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October 34<sup>th</sup> Bedford Beer Festival, Corn Exchange, St Pauls Square-Bedford 110 Real Ales 35 Ciders & Perries  
6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunderland Oktoberfest, Bonded Warehouse, Low St-Sunderland 30 Ales +Cider  
6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October Carlisle Beer Festival, Hallmark Hotel, Court Square-Carlisle 50 Ales & Cider  
6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October 12<sup>th</sup> Ayrshire Real Ale Fest, Concert Hall-Troon 100+ Ales Cider Perry & Wine  
12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> October 18<sup>th</sup> Milton Keynes Beer Festival, The Buszy, Elder Gate-Milton Keynes 60+ Ales Cider  
13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> October 31<sup>st</sup> Stoke Beer Festival, Fenton Manor Sports Complex-Stoke on Trent Over 200 Ales & Cider  
13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> October Huddersfield Oktoberfest, Sikh Leisure Centre, Spring Grove St-Huddersfield 90+ Ales Cider/Perry

***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](mailto:charismabypass2005@yahoo.co.uk) or Rodders on [uplonkerrodney2006@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:uplonkerrodney2006@yahoo.co.uk) by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month.

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