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### Number Crunching

In this issue we bring you news of 55 pubs in 42 different locations, 3 Breweries and 35 Beer Festivals.

### Beer and Pub News

The **Steampacket** at **Swanwick** is up to let

The **White Hart** at **Stanley** has good food at reasonable prices and on Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> June I found the **Black Sheep** to be very enjoyable (the beer that is I hasten to add). The next guest beer was to be **Otter Ale**, which I was disappointed to miss - Chris P Duck

The **Coopers Tavern** at **Burton-on-Trent** is stocking **Thornbridge Brewery** ales on a regular basis, **Jaipur IPA** has been seen most recently and the **Devonshire Arms** at **South Normanton** is also regularly keeping **Thornbridge** ales. Recent offerings include **Jaipur IPA**, **Blackthorn** and **Lord Marples** to name a few

A visit was made to the **Gate Inn, Lower Hartshay** on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June, where the guest ale from **Amber Ales**, **Amber Pale 4.4%**, complemented the house regulars of **Marstons Pedigree**, **GK Abbot** and **Old Speckled Hen**. The pub is also holding its first beer festival entitled "Festival in the Garden" over the **August Bank Holiday weekend 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>**, where there will be approximately 10 ales available in addition to those from the main bar. There will be a music finale on bank holiday Monday and children's entertainment. **FREE camping** will also be available - **Tweedle Dee**

The **Silk Mill** in **Derby** has had a new **Landlord** since May and in the short time that he has been there he has made a big impression this former good beer guide pub 2000, 2003-2005. The pub has been decorated and the seating reupholstered to a high standard giving the pub a bright look. Freshly made food is available 12-3 Mon-Fri, 11-4 Sat & 12-4 Sun and there are 8 Rotating real ales to choose from, on my last visit **Adnams Broadside 4.7%**, **Bass 4.4%**, **Black Sheep Bitter 3.8%**, **Adnams Explorer 4.3%**, **Brewster's Rutterkin 4.6%**, **Caledonian Deuchars 3.8%**, **Lees GB Mild 3.5%**, & **Wychwood Hobgoblin 5%** - **Sooty**

There will be a beer festival at the **Newdigate Arms, West Hallam** on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of July. There are 16 beers and 5 ciders planned with 6 of the beers coming from local micros, which is a rarity for a pub owned by **Punch Taverns**. There will be 2 beers from **Funfair**, 2 from **Full Mash** and 2 from **Nutbrook** (1 of which being produced for the festival) for more details ring **Steve** on 01159 320604. Opening times are 6 - 12 Friday and 12 - 12 Saturday

The annual Beer Festival at the **Victoria** at **Alfreton** will be taking place from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> August. There will be 9 ales available straight from the cask from the outdoor stillage area, plus a couple of traditional cider and perry offerings. Entertainment will be provided on the Saturday evening from **Smokestack**

The **Tram Inspector** has reminded me that the **Red Lion** at **Crich Tramway Museum** will be running the usual bar over the weekends of 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of July (Edwardian weekend with horse trams), 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of August (1940s weekend) and 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> August (Extravaganza). There will be a selection of beers straight from the barrel. The August weekends will be particularly busy, and it is hoped to break the record of 18 nines (yes, 18) in two days. All the beer comes from **Micros**. Many come from **Leadmill**, but other micros will be represented

After cricket on 13<sup>th</sup> June we visited the **Cross Keys** at **Turnditch**. I sampled the **Bass & Pedigree**, both of which were ok but not memorable. **Black Sheep Bitter** was also available - Chris P Duck

Colin's guest beers for July at the **Cross Keys Belper** includes **Oldershaw Regal Blonde 4.4%**, **Highwood Summer Daze 4.4%**, **Castle Rock Harvest Pale 3.8%**, **Hop Back Wilt Alternative 4%**, **Clarks Westgate Gold 4.2%**, **Oakham Bishops Farewell 4.6%**, **Mordue A' Wheat Pet 4.1%** and **Castle Rock Skylark 4.6%**. Don't forget that **Bateman's Salem Porter 4.7%** is available as one of the regular beers

Congratulations go to **Katy Parkes** at the **Royal Oak, Barton-under Needwood**; **Paul Hyde** at the **Dog & Partridge, Tutbury**; **John Bannister** at the **Queens Head, Little Eaton**; **Chris Wood** at the **Bradway, Derby**; **Clive & Julie Wint** at the **Horse & Jockey, Wessington**; **Graeme Fulton** at the **Mundy Arms, Markeaton**; **Gary Slack** at the **Queens Arms Bakewell** and **Rob & Rachel Shooter** at the **Plough Inn, Diseworth** as all have recently received **Cask Marque** accreditation

### Billy's Belper Bulletin

Work continued during June on the refurbishment of the former **Duke of Devonshire**, now to be known simply as the **Devonshire**, on **Bridge Street**. Flyers were posted inviting us to "Embrace the Experience" at the opening on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

The exterior paintwork is now complete at the **Royal Oak** on **Mill Street**.

**Half Pint** and I called in recently at the **Greyhound Inn** on **Whitemoor Lane Belper** to sample a couple of excellent pints of **Wadsworth 6X 4.3%**. The other beers available were **GK Abbot Ale 5%**, **Ruddles County** and **Shepherd Neame Spitfire 4.5%** all at £2.60 a pint-Billy

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## Old Mother Redcaps Report

**Meynell Ingram Arms, Hoar Cross** - Pedi £2.70, Landlord £3 and guest beer Adhams Explorer £2.80. Pleasant GBG listed pub set in rural splendour seems to be turning into more of a gastro-pub but with a couple of set aside for drinking. Plenty of room for outdoor drinking, weather permitting. Guess which sucker asked for a pint of Landlord? I needed the drink to recover from handing over £3 for a pint. You need to be rich to drink here regularly. **Golden Cup, Yoxall** - Pedi and guest beer Hop Back Crop Circle £2.45. Another GBG listed pub situated opposite the church in this attractive village, L-shaped lounge is set out for diners but there is a down to earth public bar. The garden goes down to the River Swarbour and is an ideal spot on a sunny day, also included is a place for caravans and motor homes. **Old Boat, Alrewas** - Pedi and Bass £1.20 a ½. Vast barn like pub next to the canal with not a lot of character or atmosphere apart from a fight going on over a game of pool. I necked my half of Pedi and beat a hasty retreat, not a pub I would recommend. **Crown Inn, Alrewas** - Bombardier, Pedi, Bass and guest beer Mauldons Black Adder £1.30 a ½. GBG pub doing a good trade early on a Friday evening (unlike previous pub for some unknown reason). Well worth a visit. **George & Dragon, Alrewas** - Pedi, Burton Bitter and guest beer Hop Back Crop Circle. Friendly multi-roomed pub served by a central bar, again doing a good trade on food and drink. Another pub in the village that's worth a look. **Bulls Head, Repton** - Pub had just re-opened the previous evening after being shut for about 3 years, called in on my way home from work to have a quick look. Extensive refurbishment but keeping the original floor lay out, not exactly traditional but good none the less, lots of bare floor boards and some beams and exposed brickwork. Friendly bar staff. Good to see the old place back up and running as a pub when so many are being turned onto private housing, shops, offices or just being knocked down. Congratulations to the new owners, a real asset for the village

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## On the Rounds

On my rounds delivering the RuRAD newsletter on the 8<sup>th</sup> June I visited the newly refurbished and thriving **White Hart** at **Heage**. They had had a fire in the bar in the early hours (4am) of Friday morning, apparently caused by a faulty glass washer. Luckily no one was hurt, but the bar suffered smoke damage and will need to be re-decorated fully just a few weeks

after being refurbished. Steve and Hazel were undeterred and open for business as usual, they have really turned the pub round in terms of decor, beer and food. The current project is landscaping the garden in time for summer. Beer choice is good, usually at least 4 ales available including Pedigree, Speckled Hen and guests such as Bombardier or Summer Lightning. A trip Heage and Nether Heage is well worth it with at least 4 decent pubs and a working windmill to visit! - The Baron

With Del Boy off on his hols the onus fell on me to deliver some newsletters. At the GBG listed **Crown** at **Cavendish Bridge** there was Marston's Pedigree, VPA & Old Empire, Jennings Cocker Hoop & Tom Fool, St Austell HSD, Hook Norton Hooky Gold and Adhams Explorer on offer, I opted for the Hooky Gold. Next on the delivery list was the **Shakespeare** at **Shardlow**, here there was Pedi and Abbot available and a half was quaffed before it was on to **Thulston** and the GBG listed **Harrington Arms**, which had Bass, Pedi, London Pride and Leatherbitches Dove Dale (which was in good order). From there it was all the way to the **Malt Shovel** at **Spondon**, which (along with the best barmaids, apparently) had Banks' Amber, Marstons Pedi & Burton Bitter, Jennings Cocker Hoop & Sneck Lifter, Adhams Explorer, St Austell HSD, Hook Norton Hooky Gold & Hop Back Crop Circle, which along with the Amber went down a treat. Shame I only had time for a half in most, I'm sure a pint would have been better to dull the pain in my aching posterior (I really should cycle more often), come back Del all is forgiven - Ed

While delivering the newsletters I have come across quite a few varied and unusual beers and some snippets of information. At the **Old Poets Corner** at **Ashover** there was Salamander Firebrand 5% whilst at the **Rays Arms** at **Heanor**, where they now have a proper approved smoking area, there was Hook Norton Hooky Gold 4.1% and **Horse & Jockey, Ripley** had Retford Grafton Grog 4%. The **George** at Ripley now has new licensees, namely Carl & Liz, who have taken over the pub on a 6 year lease. Carl informed me that he plans to have Ashover Brewery beer on regularly and also hopes to have several rotating guest beers from local micros and with 2 more hand pumps being installed there will be up to 5 real ales on offer. Meanwhile at the **Anchor** at **Oakerthorpe** John & Jean had Cropton Tunnel Vision 4.2%, which is only usually seen on the North Yorkshire Moors Railway and 2 more of Cropton's rarely seen beers are planned (If they've not already been on) Pullman Pint and 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ale. Finally at the **Black Horse, Hulland Ward** Michael had Grafton Lady Julia 4.3%, Peakstones Rock Nemesis

3.8%, Thornbridge Brother Rabbit 3.7% and the excellent Exmoor Bitter, which was in superb form - Charisma

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The cider and perry making tradition of many rural people in Britain is under attack from Brussels. Please note that we are NOT talking about the mass produced, fizzy-over-ice garbage that probably contains more water, sugar and chemicals than apples or pears. In the 1970's, Duty was introduced for cider and perry, but a tax exemption was made for small-scale craft cider and perry producers, which allowed the production of up to 70 hectolitres (7000 litres or 1540 gallons) without having to pay any duty. This was to allow struggling UK farmers to diversify and provide much needed income, and to protect rural producers who see the production of small quantities of cider and perry as being part of a British rural tradition. Also, let's not forget that the traditional orcharding techniques used by these small producers have helped sustain valuable and recognised ecologically sensitive habitats. The exemption has also helped many small cider producers to get started, who have then grown and moved on to bring much needed employment and income into rural areas. The EU are starting to review the 70hl tax exemption for small craft UK cidermakers, it is quite possible that it will be abolished. Things are looking far from rosy and those involved are having to tread very warily in case the all-seeing evil eye of the EU Commission focuses too tightly on the current exemption solely enjoyed by UK craft cider makers. If the exemption is withdrawn, many will have to stop producing their unique 100% pure juice ciders and perries; those that continue will have to put up prices to cover the extra tax burden, which of course you and I as drinkers, will have to pay for. Ultimately, we could lose a traditional cottage industry and so part of our British culture. An on-line Downing Street email petition to the PM and UK government to resist this attack on a part of Britain's historical heritage has been set up. If more than 250 signatures are received, then a "ministerial response" is triggered. Obviously, the more signatures the better...! Here is the petition link: <http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/CiderExemption/> If you want to know more about this issue, try this link: [http://ukcider.co.uk/wiki/index.php/Small\\_Cidermaker\\_s\\_Exemption](http://ukcider.co.uk/wiki/index.php/Small_Cidermaker_s_Exemption). Here you will find more details and a taste of what has already been discussed - Ciderapple

## Brewery News

### Bottle Brook-Kilburn

Nothing much Happening due to Richards involvement in the extension work at the **Old Oak Inn** at **Horsley Woodhouse**, which is well advanced, only to say that Columbus will be appearing at Derby Summer Beer Festival 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> of July

### Funfair Brewing Co-Ilkeston

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Dive Bomber 4.6% was awarded "Beer of the Festival" at the Erewash Camra beer festival, which was held at the Regency Rooms Ilkeston. Hot off the press news is the latest beer from Funfair will be called Ilkeston Brown Ale 4.5%.

### Leadmill-Denby

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During the month of June 2 new beers have appeared, Canny Lad 4.1% (probably inspired by a recent trip to Newcastle) and Summer Hop. Both are available at the **Old Oak Inn** at **Horsley Woodhouse** and the Canny Lad comes highly recommended

### Del & Rod's Real Ale Rambles

With Del being on his hols Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> of June I decided to do a walk from home. I headed for Station Road and got on to the old Derby Canal path, a nice easy start, and followed it to Breaston before cutting up over the A52 and on to Risley. I negotiated the golf course with relative ease, crossed No Mans Lane and headed down into **Stanton by Dale**. Being slightly ahead of schedule I had a bit of a walk round the churchyard (always a good way to kill time). I had planned to visit both pubs in the village but the Stanhope Arms was undergoing some sort of work so I had to make do with the **Chequers Inn**, which had Bass and Deuchars available. This pub is a taxidermist's utopia. From there it was on to **Dale Abbey** and the **Carpenters Arms**, which had Pedi, Abbot, Adnams Bitter & Broadside we used to frequent here years ago before it went too foody. A swift half of Adnams Bitter was quaffed then it was off again via the Spots Plantation to **Ockbrook** and the good old **Royal Oak** where along with Bass the guest beers were Jennings Tom Fool, Archers Crystal Clear and a Gold Medal beer from Burton Bridge the name of which escapes me (I think it had "Mack" somewhere in there). A pint of Tom Fool was enjoyed in Dicks Garden (where my exertions caught up with me and I lost myself for 10 minutes) followed by a half of Crystal Clear, which was more a case of drinking Archers while you still can. Needless to say I didn't need the map for the last bit home...but I'll say it anyway

On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> of June with Del still on his hols I went solo again, so starting from home I made my way to Station Road and got on the riverside path to idyllic hamlet of Ambaston. I walked down Main St, which happens to be the only street, and took the Bridleway that goes through the old gravel pits where I was surrounded by the tiny electric blue flashes of Common blue Damselflies. Crossing the A50 I made my way to **Aston on Trent** and called in both pubs in the

village, the **Malt Shovel** on The Green had Pedi, Landlord and Blacksheep Bitter and the **White Hart** on Derby Road had Pedi, Cumberland and Hooky Gold. The former was the friendlier and cheaper place but the latter was the busier (I had orange & water, which was £1 so I dread to think how much the beer was, it was only 50p in the Malt Shovel). From there I joined the Trent & Mersey Canal at Acrelane Bridge and followed it all the way to **Shardlow** where I called in the **Navigation Inn** on London Road. A few years ago this place experienced a real ale renaissance keeping a good range of unusual beers, sadly it didn't last long and soon reverted to the bog standard nationals such as Pedi, Abbot and another pump I felt unworthy of investigation (I think it was an Adnams brew). I had a coke, my most expensive drink of the day at £1.60. I headed down Wilne Lane and as I passed the **New Inn** on The Wharf I noticed a board outside claiming 3 guest ales so I decided to Investigate and found only 2, Adnams Broadside and Archers (who apparently haven't gone into receivership) Bitter alongside Bass and Pedi but the service was leisurely to say the least and I didn't think another orange and water warranted the wait so I buggered off. I made my way through Great Wilne, back over the River Derwent, through Church Wilne and Draycott onto the Derby Canal path for a nice easy end to the day and I got home just before I'd had enough

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The **Olde Bear Inn** at **Alderwasley** has a great selection, at the time of my visit there were Taylor Landlord 4.3%, Draught Bass 4.4%, Whim Ales' Hartington Bitter 4%, Old Speckled Hen 4.5%, Pedigree 4.5% and Black Sheep Bitter 3.8%. Also Weston's Old Rosie 7.3% for the cider lovers. Best to visit in good weather and sit outside though, as it seems to be permanently packed with diners inside. Paid a visit to the **Hanging Gate** at **Shottle** for the first time in months, and

found a very posh modern restaurant, the old pub is hardly recognisable. The only real ale is Draught Bass, but strangely there were fizzy varieties of Pedi and Old Speck. The **Bull's Head** at **Belper Lane End** has seen Jennings Cocker Hoop 4.6%, now replaced by the splendid Sneck Lifter 5.1%, as well as Peak Ales Bakewell Bitter 4.2% and Bass, which will at some point temporarily be replaced by Bombardier 4.3%. Finally, the **Talbot Hotel** at Bridge Foot has two real ales, Pedi and St. Austell Tribute 4.2% - Midshiresman

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On Fri 25<sup>th</sup> May, took the Black Cat bus to **Ilkeston**, firstly visiting the **Durham Ox** where I tried the guest Hydes Mild. Following this with a meal and bottle of wine a brisk walk up Bath Street led to my first visit to the **Spanish Bar**. I was aware of the good beer reputation but expected to be overrun with loud music and young bottle swiggers. It was a pleasant surprise to find an excellent décor and relaxed atmosphere - even the wife enjoyed it. Unfortunately I got stomach cramp by trying to gulp down as many as possible of the ales before racing for the last bus but do recall that they were good and not expensive. Definitely worth a re-visit, might even attempt a jug of sangria! - Chris P Duck

On June 16<sup>th</sup> Cassandra and I took the bus to **Long Eaton** to celebrate my old girls birthday and we called in the **Hole in the Wall** on Regents St. The beers on offer were Pig on the Wall 4.3%, EPA 4.2%, Web Ellis 3.8% and Bass all priced between £2.10 and £2.35. They also had a guest cider called Rose Hip Hoare Farm 7.5% at £2.70. Forthcoming beers for next month are Golden Arrow 4.5%, Mallard IPA 4%, English Summer 4.1% and all Cottage beers. The landlord, Kevin Thompson, must be one of the longest serving in the Erewash area having clocked up a cracking 20 years, congratulations on your achievement and keep up the good work - Trigger

On June 23<sup>rd</sup> a visit to the **Malt Shovel** at **Shardlow** enabled a first taste of Hooky Gold for me. This was an excellent refreshing drink and I was torn between another or a St Austell Tribute - this was decided for me when I was invited on to a narrowboat for a bottle of Abbot Ale. This has always been a good ale pub and is, I am advised, cheaper than the adjacent New Inn. Later that day I tried a Magpie 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary 5.2% at the **White Post**, **Stanley Common**, which is brewed next to the

oldest football league club and imagine that most people would prefer this fine ale to the not so fine football. I would also reiterate the comments from the last issue regarding the success of the Erewash Camra Ilkeston Beer Festival and look forward to next year - Chris P Duck

Never mind the smoking ban. Will the 1p and 2p disappear soon in most pubs? This is just an observation and whilst I cannot claim to know all the financial workings of the brewery trade the prices of beers and wines do seem to be only increasing in lumps of 5p

these days. Look around and you will see most drinks are rounded to figures ending in 5 or zero. Perhaps it is my beer fuddled brain that only seems to remember the Chancellor putting 1 or 2 pence on at budgets. Customers do notice these things whilst peering into the bottom of the glass - The Escapist

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5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> July Queen Adelaide Beer Festival, Windmill Lane, Sneinton-Nottingham

7<sup>th</sup> July Whatstandwell Beer & Music Festival, Hankin Farm, New Road-Whatstandwell

11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> July 30<sup>th</sup> Derby Summer Beer Festival, Assembly Rooms, Market Place-Derby [www.derbycamra.org.uk](http://www.derbycamra.org.uk)

14<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> July Victoria Hotel Beer & Music Festival, Dovecote Lane, Beeston-Nottingham [www.victoriabeeston.co.uk](http://www.victoriabeeston.co.uk)

20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> July Newdigate Arms Beer Festival, High Lane East-West Hallam

20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> July Stainsby Music and Beer Festival - Stainsby South of M1 Jct 29 (Take first exit then left on Mill Lane)

25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July Ye Olde Dolphin Beer Festival, Queen St-Derby

25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> July West Country Cider, Perry & Ale Festival, Bell Inn, Angel Row-Nottingham

27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July Mallard Beer Festival, Carlton Rd-Worksop

2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> August 2<sup>nd</sup> Newton Solney Beer Festival, Unicorn Inn, Repton Rd-Newton Solney

3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> August Kings Head Beer Festival, Yeoman St, Bonsall-Matlock

3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> August Victoria Inn Beer Festival, Nottingham Rd-Alfreton

4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> August Okeover Arms Beer Festival, Mappleton-Ashbourne

17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> August Swan Inn Beer Festival, Main St-Milton

24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August Wheel Inn Beer Festival, Chapel St-Holbrook

24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August White Post Inn Beer Festival, Belper Rd-Stanley Common

24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August Harrington Arms Beer Festival, Tamworth Rd-Sawley

24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August Ashbourne Beer Festival, Green Man & Blacks Head Royal Hotel, St John St-Ashbourne

24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August "Festival in the Garden", The Gate Inn, Main Rd-Lower Hartshay

1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> September 4<sup>th</sup> Glossop Victorian Weekend Beer Festival, Labour Club, Chapel St-Glossop

6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> September Smithfest, Smithfield, Meadow Rd-Derby [www.thesmithfield.co.uk](http://www.thesmithfield.co.uk)

7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> September Gladstone Inn Beer Festival, Loscoe Rd, Carrington-Nottingham

20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September Burton Beer Festival, Town Hall, King Edward Place-Burton on Trent

28<sup>th</sup> September to 7<sup>th</sup> October Oktoberfest, Bell Inn, Angel Row, Off Market Sq, Nottingham 40 Real Biers

18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> October Nottingham Beer Festival, Victoria Leisure Centre, Gedling St Nottingham [www.nottinghamcamra.org](http://www.nottinghamcamra.org)

6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> July German Beer Festival, Swan In The Rushes, Infirmary Square, Leicester Tel 0116 2339167

6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> July Beer on the Wye 3<sup>rd</sup> Hereford Beer Festival, Hereford Rowing Club, Greyfriars Ave-Hereford [www.herefordcamra.org.uk](http://www.herefordcamra.org.uk)

7<sup>th</sup> July Warslow Beer and Food Festival, Village Hall, Cheadle Rd-Warslow, Staffordshire

7<sup>th</sup> July Riverside Festival, Stamford Meadows-Stamford

11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Abbeydale Brewery Beer Festival, The Rising Sun, Nether Green-Sheffield. 20 Rare Beers

12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> July 5<sup>th</sup> Bromsgrove Beer Festival, Bromsgrove Rugby Club, Finstall Park-Bromsgrove [www.bromsgrovebeerfestival.org.uk](http://www.bromsgrovebeerfestival.org.uk)

13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> July Cow & Plough Beer Festival, Stoughton Farm Park, Oadby, Leicester 50 Ales Tel 0116 2720852

14<sup>th</sup> July West Cheshire Beer Festival, Spitting Feathers Brewery, Common Lane, Waverton-Chester. For ticket go to [info@spittingfeathers.org](mailto:info@spittingfeathers.org)

18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> July Star Inn Beer Festival, Albert St, Lockwood-Huddersfield [www.thestarinn.info](http://www.thestarinn.info)

7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> August Great British Beer Festival, Earls Court, Warwick Rd-London [www.gbbf.org](http://www.gbbf.org)

21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August 29<sup>th</sup> Peterborough Beer Festival, The Embankment, Bishops Rd-Peterborough

1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> September 8<sup>th</sup> Codsall Beer Festival, Codsall Station-Wolverhampton

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

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