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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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### Beer and Pub News

The proposed refurbishment at the **Cross Keys** in **Belper** was cancelled by Batemans and has been put on hold.

The **New Inn** at **Riddings** is now closed

The **Coach & Horses** at **Horsley** has re-opened, after several weeks of being closed despite all the speculation.

**Bald Eagle** reports that **Castle Rock** are to open a micro bar on Nottingham railway station, and **Wetherspoons** are opening a pub on Liverpool Lime St railway station

5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> March sees the 39th Loughborough Beer Festival at The Polish Club, True Lovers Walk, off William Street, Loughborough, Leics, LE11 3DB. Approx 60 beers plus cider and perry will be on offer and it will be open 12-11 Thursday (FREE entry), 12-11 Friday and Saturday (£1.50 entry before 6pm, £3 after 6pm). CAMRA and University Real Ale Society members free at all sessions. Commemorative glasses to hire or buy. Hot & cold food available at all sessions. Quiet night Thursday, live music Friday & Saturday. See [www.loughboroughcamra.org.uk](http://www.loughboroughcamra.org.uk) for further details including a link to a map

**Snug Dave** informs us "Alan (landlord) & James (brewer) invited me, Ged, Jim Chapple & Neil

### February 2015

Heselton - these last two are Brunswick regulars - to help with the brewing of a new beer. Called Banjoed (something to do with trains apparently) it is a 5% premium ale, amber with a citrus fruity twist. Fermentation started January 11th but I can't remember when James said it was going to be ready. However, some will be available at his stand at the National Winter Ales Festival if anyone wants to try it"

Following on from the relocation of the Black Iris brewery based at the back of the Flowerpot in Derby to new premises in Basford, Nottingham last year there is now a new brewery in town. Frontier first started brewing at The Pot in December last year and they have brewed a number of beers already. Over the Christmas period there was Christmas Ale 5% available closely followed by Gold Rush 4% and Outpost 5%

Nicky & Pete Foster  
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The **Malt Shovel** in **Spondon** has now been registered by Derby City Council as an Asset of Community Value. It was proposed by Spondon Community Association, in their application they said: "The Malt Shovel has been at the heart of Spondon's community for centuries. The pub is listed in CAMRA's register of Historic Pub Interiors: 'This late 18th or early 19th century red brick pub retains its original floor plan of off-sales, drinking passageway with bar, rare partitioned snug, a small lounge that you can now only access by walking through part of the servery and a separate snug.' It lies within the City Council's designated Spondon Conservation Area and is a Grade II listed building in the national register. Currently,

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the pub attracts a wide clientele offering traditional ales as well as 'pub food'. It provides a venue for formal and informal meetings of a wide variety of local groups, including its own darts team. Its proximity to St Werburgh's Church makes it a popular venue for pre- and post-wedding events as well as funeral wakes. It supports a number of local and national charities with events, including barbecues in the garden."

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[Good Beer Guide listed](#)

### Amber Valley CAMRA Update

7<sup>th</sup> - survey trip, contact Jane Wallis on 01773 745966 to book. 9<sup>th</sup> - Beer Festival Meeting, White Hart, Bargate, 8pm. 16<sup>th</sup> - GBG selection Meeting, Sir Barnes Wallis, Ripley, 8pm. 26<sup>th</sup> - Branch AGM, Poet & Castle, Codnor, 8pm start (please notify Sec ahead of interest in vacant committee positions, tel. 01773 769215)

**Don Pedro** informs us that the **Nags Head** at **Mickleover** has increased its number of hand pumps from 6 to 8. There are now 5 real ales, **Pedi & Doom Bar** plus 3 guest beers from the likes of Brunswick, Derby, Castle Rock and **Dancing Duck** as well as 3 real ciders

**Chris P Duck** reports "The former **Smith & Jones Green House** in **Belper** has been refurbished and re-opened by **Stonegate**. It is better than previous with the **Springhead Maid Marion** a very good drink on my visit but the other 3 ales were predictable nationals"

On Saturday February 7<sup>th</sup> 8.30pm - late the **Royal Oak** at **Ockbrook** will be playing host to **The Roomates**, 100% a cappella "for the first time in 20 years, as you've never seen them before!" plus resident DJs **Matt, Frank & Tiny**. Admission is £8 on the door. Bookings are also being taken for Valentines meals on the 14<sup>th</sup> from 7pm as well as for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> of March for Mothers Day lunches with sittings at 12.15 and 2.15

## Highland Fling 5 - Pt2

On day 3, after a good breakfast we set off from the Glenfinnan House Hotel, which commanded fantastic views on the edge of Loch Shiel. We made our way to the railway station via the woods in which the Glenfinnan brewery is located - we poked our heads into the brewery but sadly no-one was about. At the railway station we were just in time to see the steam train to Mallaig pull in. We caught the train to Fort William where we picked up the bus to Inverness, just having time to nip in to the **Nevisport Inn** for a swift drink before doing so. Just short of Inverness we got off at a place called **Drumnadrochit** where a taxi was waiting to take us to the Loch Ness beer festival at the **Benleva Hotel**, home of the Loch Ness brewery. We found they had a list of some 40 ales, not all of which were on at any one time though. The choice consisted of mainly Scottish beers with a mixture of English breweries thrown in, including Atom, Rudgate, St Austell, Wychwood, Dark Star and Thornbridge. On the main bar was Lumford-Thornbridge, HoppyNess-Loch Ness, Kowabunga-Cromarty, Old Scatness-Valhalla, Red Ness-Loch Ness, Espresso-Dark Star, Hop Trial Rakau-Loch Lomond and Piledriver from Wychwood. This was complemented by more beers in the tent outside including Highlander from Fyne, Blonde-Windswept, Brother Rabbit-Thornbridge, SnaziNess-Loch Ness and three ales from Dark Star- Original, Hophead and Hylder Blonde. After sampling a selection of these beers and having a bite to eat, it was a taxi into Inverness, where we dropped our bags at the digs before embarking on a trek around. Down the road we found a G.B.G. pub, the **Corriegarth**, which had Happy Chappy and Flying Scotsman available. Then it was on to the recently opened **Phoenix** where we found an array of hand pumps on the bar. Beers included Tribute and Proper Job from St Austell, Crackshot from Hunters, Easy Ryder from Belhaven, 3 Sisters-Atlas and Dark Island from Orkney. This was followed by another bus ride out to the **Anderson Bar** at Fortrose, which turned out to be a pub full of character - a real gem! Beers available included Bondgates Hexham Riot 4.6% and Porter 5.5%, Clarence- Fredericks American Pale Ale 4.5%, Fyne Superior IPA 7.5% and Belhaven Best - along with beers from Brew Dog and By The Horns. Definitely well worth the

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visit! Soon we were back on a bus to Inverness and a return visit to the **Phoenix** where we noticed some extra real ales to our earlier visit including Ghost Town from Cromarty, Bottlenose Bitter from Speyside and Timmy Taylors. Our next pub, The Blackfriars, was just across the road where we found yet another good selection of ales including Orkney No.1, Palmers Copper Ale, Batemans Black & White, Happy Chappy from Cromarty and Highland IPA from Cairngorm. The crawl continued with a visit to the **Kings Highway** Wetherspoons where they had the usual suspects - Abbot, London Pride, Doom Bar, Broadside, Deuchars IPA, plus three Scottish beers - Black & Tan from Houston, Dark Island from Orkney and The Hector from An Teallach, which we all had. The **Hootenanny** was next on the list with Red Kite and Heather Honey Beer, both from Black Isle, on the bar. This was where HH and myself stopped to watch the Scottish folk group and Didler went back to The Blackfriars to watch the rock group. **No.27** was the next pub, where we found Wolf and North Hop from Windswept, and Bow Fiddle Blond and Bottlenose Bitter from Speyside. We finished off at the **Castle Tavern** where the choice included Scapa Special, Bottlenose Bitter, Proper Job, Punter from Upham, Dark Munro from Highland and Ebony Fall from Camerons. After all this it was time to head back to the digs, just a stones throw away, for some shut eye! In my eyes Inverness is a fantastic place for pubs with plenty of entertainment taking place as well. The next day it was time to catch the train home, changing at Edinburgh where luckily we had just enough time to call in a few favourite pubs. At the **Guildford Arms** we found Bombardier, Pentland from Stewarts, Dark Island from Orkney, Starlaw Pale Ale from Alechemy, La Tene from Celt, Highlander from Fyne and St. Andrews Blonde from Eden. Then it was on to the **Cafe Royal** where we could choose from Inkie Pinkie and Lia Fail from Inveralmond,

Goldihops and Dark Moor both from Kelburn brewery, Clipper IPA from Broughton and Old Mortality from Strathaven. Our final stop was the **Halfway House**, which is situated virtually next to the railway station and where we found Black Grouse from Allendale, Track & Field from Harviestoun and Calverhouse Red from Strathaven. With just enough time to grab something to eat for the journey home we got on the train, to be greeted by a group of geordies who had been to a rally or a march in Glasgow. They took quite a shine to HH's deerstalker hat, taking it in turns to parade up and down the carriage with it on their heads! I must admit it got a bit annoying when all we heard all the way to Newcastle was "Do you want a can mate?", the choice offered being cider, lager or creamflow, it was proving difficult not to offend! This was an excellent trip and for me Inverness was fantastic- the only trouble was that I needed several days to get over it!!!



**BLACK BULLS HEAD**

**2 Kilburn Lane, Openwoodgate,  
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### **RuRAD Supporting Local Beer Festivals**

On Boxing Day I took a bus to Kilburn toll bar, then walked up to the **Old Oak Inn** at **Horsley Woodhouse** to sample some of their Xmas beer festival ales. I found a selection of some 20 ales, I started with Borough Pale Ale at 3.7%, this was quickly followed by the Twisted Grove from Bootleg 4.2%, then the Spikes Gold from Small World & Sharks Head from Sunny Republic both at 4.4%, which went down in quick succession. The Mud Wrestler from 4 Ts was next on my list at 4.6%, not forgetting the Seventeen Eighteen from Pentrich 4.5%. I had to try one of Jeff Greens last brews from Wirksworth brewery before it was sold on, and the Laura Rose was in excellent form, before finishing on Sitting Bull from Pied bull 5%. The rest of the beers were from local Derbyshire brewers with the exception of the Off Temptation from Abbeydale, Jack Porter from Piddle, 3 Sisters from Orkney and Oracle from Salopian. Then it was a brisk walk up to the Black Bulls Head at Openwoodgate to try the Snowflake from Sarah Hughes at 8.5%. It was now time to call for a lift home before I fell over - Charisma

On Saturday January 24th I got the bus into Nottingham from where I got the train to **Newark** for the 4th Beermuda Triangle Beer Festival. I arrived at around 11.00 and headed straight for **Just Beer** just of Castle Gate where there was an



impressive (as usual) array of 14 ales on offer and 3 or 4 ciders. Beers from the likes of Brass Castle, Fixed Wheel, Hand Drawn Monkey, Norland, North Riding, Sonnet 43, Two by Two, Windsor & Eaton and a couple of collaboration brews were available as well as my choices, Wilson Potter In Shreds, Erddig Penny Farthing and Idle Valley Torpid Expression. As on previous visits to this festival I could have stayed all day but there was much ground to cover. As I was leaving our very own Sooty arrived and said he'd just come from the **Prince Rupert**, so I headed to Stodman St safe in the knowledge that it would be open. As on previous occasions there were beers available on the bar as well as on a separate stillage, 15 in total. The beers were predominantly from Milestone and Navigation but I sampled the 2 from Newark, Norwegian Blue and 5.5, both being reasonable. Next it was time for something completely different, the **Flying Circus** on Castle Gate - the Crown & Mitre when I last visited - which seemed to have a Scottish theme going on with 3 beers from Stewart and a couple from Black Wolf alongside offerings from Milestone, Newark and Dark Star. I sampled Newark Phoenix and Stewart Edinburgh No3 and earmarked the Cauld Reekie 6.2% for a possible return. Next it was a new pub for me (even in it's previous incarnation as the Horse & Gears, which was a much better name if you ask me), the **Organ Grinder** on Portland St. I overheard someone in JB saying how disappointing it was and I must say I had to agree with 6 Blue Monkey beers on offer, I just had a swift half of Howler. When Sooty and Bagpuss arrived Sooty never even had a drink! The **Fox & Crown** on Appletongate was another disappointment even though there were 10 beer available. I only saw fit to make a note of the one I had, Grafton Winters Dream. Next I decided to bag a couple of pubs just for my collection, the **White Hart** had Doom Bar and the **Old Malt Shovel** had Doom Bar, Abbot and Milestone Fletcher's Ale. I needed some assistance in finding the **Vaults**, which Sooty and Bagpuss put me on to. B&T Clanger, Fyne Ales Maverick, Titanic Stout and my choice Brass Castle Sunshine. The Sunshine was in good order but then it should be at £2 a half! From there I made my final port of call the **Castle Barge**, where I completely forgot to make a note of the beers, which is a shame because they did put some effort in as there were several pins set up

along the back of the bar. I'm sure I picked a beer list up but I'm bugged if I know what I did with it. I decided to call it a day - in Newark at least - and headed back to **Nottingham** where I found the **Barrel Drop** on Hurts Lane with relative ease. My note taking abilities had left me but there were about 7 beers and a cider straight from the tub on offer, I tried a honey beer, but I can't remember whose, before I headed back to the bus station and home for some tea - Ed



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#### Trip to Bath & Bristol. Part 2: Bristol

After a good night's sleep and a hearty breakfast in the hotel, we meet Mark again on the #38 bus and head into **Bristol**. And now travel tip of the day: do NOT catch the #38 bus from Keynsham into Bristol! 30 minutes into the journey and we still hadn't actually left Keynsham. By the time we got into Bristol, Mark swears that he had been on the bus for well over an hour. However, it did give us the opportunity to observe and study the citizens of the Keynsham suburbs... we decided that they were a very close-knit community. The journey wasn't helped by the presence of a man whose personal hygiene left a LOT to be desired. Many complaints, flapping of hands, scarves over noses and so on. The plan was to visit 8 of the GBG pubs in or close to the centre of Bristol and we started at the **Cornubia**, a charming pub hidden away in an area of offices and industrial units. Every available inch of wall and ceiling space was filled with pump clips presumably of the beers that they have sold. Impressive. We had a choice from Bath Forest Hare 3.9%, Castle Rock Screech Owl, Peerless Jinja Ninja 4%, Yeovil Stout Hearted 4.3% and Purity Pure Ubu 4.5%. We then moved on to the **King's Head** a short distance away. This is what The CAMRA Heritage Pubs web-site has to say: *A mid 17th-century building with a wonderful long, narrow, one room bar, the King's Head can justifiably boast a unique interior and some of the oldest bar fittings in the whole of the UK.* A small choice of

beers with Otter Amber 4% and Butcombe Gold 4.4% being sampled. An essential port of call in Bristol is the **Seven Stars**, which has won many CAMRA awards over the years. It is a very rough and ready pub featuring 8 hand pumps and regular live music. Breweries featured on our visit were Cheddar Ales Gorge Best 4%, Green Duck, Mumbles, Towles Old Smiler 4.1%, Arbor, Plain Ales Arty Farty 3.9% and Peerless. We then moved on to the **Bridge Inn**, a small family-friendly pub close to the Floating Harbour which features 2 regular Dark Star beers Hophead, 3.8% and American Pale Ale, 4.7% plus the guest on our visit was from Arbor Ales based in Bristol. Our next port of call was the **Bank Tavern**, another one-room pub hidden away in the back streets to the west of Castle Park. It has an outside seating area which I'm certain would be packed in summer. There were 4 hand pumps offering beers from XT Brewing 5, 5.5%, Box Steam Porter, 4.8% and Twisted Oak Spun Gold, 4.5%. It was from here that the tour took a turn for the worse. When we arrived at the Gryphon mid-afternoon, it was closed (on a Saturday!) so we headed for No.1 Harbourside in the Waterfront area. Well, call us a useless bunch of bastards if you like, but we couldn't find it. What we found instead was an establishment catering for hen and stag parties with lots of lager and TVs in evidence. We gave up and continued on to the Beer Emporium. This sounds promising but is another bar/restaurant catering for the younger end of the market. True, it had 10 hand pumps (and lots of "Craft" beer) but it was very foody and way too trendy for our tastes. So we headed back to the Seven Stars where we found three new beers since earlier in the day. It was even mild enough to sit outside and listen to a bit of live music. Learning from our earlier mistake, we caught the X39 bus back to the hotel. It took 20 minutes-Snug Dave (with help from GC)

Recently I was staying at the **Temple Hotel** at **Matlock Bath** for a family wedding. Before leaving for the wedding venue I was able to sample both beers available at the bar and had a good chat with the owner. The regular house beer is Blue Monkey BG Sips, which was very good as was the Falstaff seasonal (cannot remember the name). Worth a visit and good accommodation but restricted opening times. Fortunately the venue in **Matlock** was a few yards walk from **Stanley's Alehouse**, which is the recently opened micro pub tap house of Bumpmill Brewery. Went in before the wedding event and sampled their own Glory Daze, the latter word becoming the theme for the rest of the evening. The wedding party was at the **Designate@TheGate**, which did at least offer the statutory Doom Bar despite not really being a pub. Back at the micro pub on a further 2 occasions I did have a Coastal ale but could not recall what else although it was very good and both the owners and a couple of locals were very sociable. A very good addition to the Spartan real ale scene in the town. Could be a good scenic walking trip around Matlock Bank with the nearby Thorn Tree and Sycamore plus Moca when returning downhill to base camp-Chris P Duck

### Proposed Trips

March 21<sup>st</sup> Coach trip to Halifax, Sowerby Bridge & Hebden Bridge, contact Charisma for details

### Beer Festival Diary - Near and Not so Near

- 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> February Champion Beer of Nottingham, The Canal House, 52 Canal St-Nottingham, Featuring around 23 Breweries  
6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February Chesterfield 17<sup>th</sup> Chesterfield Beer Festival, Winding Wheel-Chesterfield 120 Ales 16 Ciders/Perry  
6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> February Syston & District Social Club 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Winter Beer Festival, 36 High St-Syston, Leicester  
11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> February National Winter Ales Festival, The Roundhouse, Pride Park-Derby 400 Ales Cider/Perry, Continental  
11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> February Shiny & Beavertown Beer Festival, Furnace Inn, Duke Street-Derby 20+ Ales  
13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> February Hucknall Beer Festival, The John Godber Centre-Hucknall, Nottingham 30+ Ales  
13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> February National Brewery Centre International Festival of Beer, Horninglow Street-Burton-upon-Trent  
20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> February Old Hall Inn Beer Festival-Whitehough, Chinley, High Peak 100+ Ales  
26<sup>th</sup> February to 1<sup>st</sup> March Champion Beer of Nottingham Beer Festival, The Canal House, 52 Canal St-Nottingham 60 Ales  
5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> March 39<sup>th</sup> Loughborough Beer Festival, The Polish Club, True Lovers Walk (off William St)-Loughborough [www.loughboroughcamra.org.uk](http://www.loughboroughcamra.org.uk)  
11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> March Leicester Beer Festival, Charotar Centre, Bay St, South Churchgate-Leicester 250 Ales 35 Ciders/Perry  
11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> March The Salmon Beer Festival, Butt Close Lane-Leicester  
19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> March Old Poets Corner Beer Festival, Butts Rd-Ashover  
26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> March Holly Bush Beer Festival, Holly Bush Lane-Makeney

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- 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February Fleetwood Beer & Cider Festival, Marine Hall, Esplanade-Fleetwood 100+ Ales  
5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February 11<sup>th</sup> Pendle Beer Festival, Colne Municipal Hall, Lancashire 70+ Ales Cider/Perry Bottled Beers  
5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February 20<sup>th</sup> Tewkesbury Winter Ales Festival, George Watson Hall, Barton St-Tewkesbury 80 Winter Ales + Cider  
6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February 27<sup>th</sup> Dorchester Beerex, Corn Exchange, High St West-Dorchester 80 Ales  
6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February Redditch Winter Ale Festival, Rocklands Social Club, Birchfield Road-Redditch 30+ Ales  
6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February 22<sup>nd</sup> White Cliffs Festival of Winter Ales, Maison Delu (Town Hall)-Dover 75 Winter & Strong Ales  
6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February 8<sup>th</sup> Ilkley Beer Festival, Ikley Kings Hall, Station Road-Ilkley 150 Ales Cider/Perry Foreign Beers  
12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> February 36<sup>th</sup> Warwick University Beer Festival, Copper Rooms, Gibbet Hill Road-Coventry 120 Ales plus Cider  
16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> February London Beer Week [www.londonbeerweek.com](http://www.londonbeerweek.com)  
18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February 16<sup>th</sup> Winter Ale Festival, King Edward VI Grammar School Broomfield Rd-Chelmsford 180+ Ales, Cider  
18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> February A Theatre of Beer, The Clapham Grand, 21-25 St John's Hill, Clapham Jct-London 200 Ales Cider/Perry  
19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> February Craft Beer Rising, The Old Trueman Brewery, 91 Brick Lane-London 70 Brewery's, 450 Beers  
19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February Liverpool Beer Festival, Metropolitan Cathedral Crypt-Liverpool, 200+ Ales Cider/Perry  
19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February Stockton Ale & Arty Beer Festival, ARC Dovecot St-Stockton on Tees 80+ Ales  
19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February 32<sup>nd</sup> Luton Beer & Cider Festival, Hightown Sports & Arts Club, Concorde St-Luton 100+ Ales Cider/Perry  
20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February Gosport Winter Beer Festival, Bury Road-Gosport 100+ Ales Cider & Perry + Bottled  
20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February Alton Winter Beer Festival, Alton College, Old Odiham Road-Alton Hampshire  
20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> February 7<sup>th</sup> Boston Spa Beer Festival, Village Hall, 199 High St-Boston Spa, West Yorkshire 40 Ales  
26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February Bradford Beer Festival, Victoria Hall-Saltaire, Bradford 100+ Ales  
27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February Chappel Winter Beer Festival, East Anglian Railway Museum-Chappel 60+ Winter Ales  
5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> March Wigan Beer Festival, Robin Park Indoor Centre, Loire Drive-Wigan 60+ Ales 35 Ciders  
12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> March Bristol Beer Festival, Brunels Old Station, Temple Meads-Bristol 130 Ales 40 Ciders Ticket Only  
12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> March Leeds Beer Festival, Pudsey Civic Hall-New Pudsey, Leeds 200+ Ales

**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 07891 365887 / [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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## **Cross Keys**

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