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Sooty informs us that the long standing landlady, Mary Bagley, will be pulling her last pint at the **Coopers Tavern in Burton-upon-Trent** in January after 10½ years to take over the running of the **Craven Arms in Birmingham** which is a Black Country Ales owned pub

Wentwell brewery in Derby ceased brewing in November and the pub that they leased and supplied in **Burton-upon-Trent**, the **Derby Inn** is now in the hands of Admiral Taverns

### Amber Valley CAMRA Update

9<sup>th</sup> - 8pm, 1st Beer Festival meeting, the Talbot, Ripley. 26<sup>th</sup> - 8pm, committee then branch meeting, the Thorn Tree, Waingroves. 23<sup>rd</sup> February - 8pm AGM, the Old Oak, Horsley Woodhouse

Amber Valley CAMRA Branch have 2 vacancies: a WEBMASTER from end February '17 to manage our website and social media networks and secondly, a Young Persons Rep. Both roles will be fully supported by committee members. If you are willing to help your local branch in its myriad tasks and activities, please e-mail [secretary@ambervalley.camra.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ambervalley.camra.org.uk) your details

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A new management team was drafted in to run the **Abbey Inn in Darley Abbey** over the Christmas period. It seems the former managers were dismissed over a dispute about beer quality

### Brewery News

Littleover Brewery brought out a Christmas beer named Sooty's Sack, which has a very colourful pump to match

The **Angels** pub in **Nottingham** is to start brewing in January, from the on site brewery

### The view from The Chair

Amongst the many things I did not know about **Mansfield** is that it has a very prominent stone railway viaduct across part of the centre of town, more akin to Burnley or Accrington. Also the Bus and railway stations are adjacent just like Barnsley...still I digress...not been before so on the back of my experience of a couple of weeks ago, going to South Normanton beer festival, the plan was to go a bit further this time, visiting Mansfield and the two recently opened micro pubs in Kirkby in Ashfield on the way back. Travel arrangements were the Trent Barton Comet Bus from Derby Bus station to Ripley/Alfreton and return, then Trent Barton 9.1/9.3 to and from Mansfield (they also originate in Derby) and between them provide a 15-minute frequency service through the day. The latter 9.3 is via Kirkby in Ashfield (30 min frequency). So on arrival in Mansfield we set off to explore, unwittingly the first place we came across was the **Beer Shack** which is a very narrow premises with the Bar along one side, a drinking shelf along the wall opposite and a few padded high stools between the two. Here we met Steve, one of the partners from Newbie.... Langwith Brewery, with Stumpy's Bitter, Pocket Locket & Mozza on the bar alongside Shardlow Five Bells & Golden Hop.

### Beer and Pub News

Sooty reports "The **Hope and Anchor** in **Wirksworth** is closed at the moment but rumour has it that it is likely to reopen in the future but more of an eatery kind of pub"

In **Matlock Bath** the **Princess Victoria** is closed and it's future unknown but on the plus side a new micro pub inside the Bank Note café on North Parade should be up and running by the time you read this, hand pumps have been acquired from the now closed **County & Station**

A new bar has opened in Friargate, **Derby**, in the old casino and is called **Gaslights**

Another micro bar has opened in **Kimberley**, called **Roots**

Lincoln Green Brewery now run the **Station Hotel** in **Hucknall**

Another new pub has reopened in **Derby**, the **Lord Nelson**, on the corner of Curzon Street boasts 8 real ales

Charisma informs us "The **Talbot** in **Ripley** is under new management with Steve and Angela taking over the reins from Amber Brewery. On my last visit there was a varied choice of real ale - ranging from 4 to 6 depending on what time of the week it is. I think this will be one to visit as they are passionate about beer and have a free

It turns out the previous tenants handed back the Keys a few weeks ago and Langwith have taken a very short lease, for 3 months, whilst they look for premises on a longer term basis, possibly not in Mansfield. So I guess the timing of our visit was fortunate. Anyway the Langwith beers are all unfinned as discovered at South Normanton a couple of weeks ago, and very good. Whilst here we also met Lee who is involved with the Barrel & Bean in Kirkby and also we were advised of which pubs were best in town and those to be avoided, this info was duly noted. We were also able to firm up on directions for the two micro's in Kirkby so all in all a fortunate first stop. Notwithstanding the advice, we still had a quick scoot round town, not lingering where appropriate. In the Stag & Pheasant (Spoons) it was too busy to get served, whilst round the corner in the **Widow Frost** (also Spoons) I tried the Grafton Bananalicious...sadly it was mud so I left! Next up was the **Brown Cow**, Project William with Raw, sadly not such a range of guests as found in the White Swan (similar Raw establishment in Chesterfield). Nevertheless a nice comfortable pub with beer in good order. Then on to the **Railway** pub, seemed to be a busy community pub fair choice on their four wickets, I had an excellent Full Mash Dark and the end of the Cap House. Then on to the 9.3 for the five-minute journey from the Bus station towards **Sutton in Ashfield**, there is a stop almost opposite the **Bold Forrester**, which is a GK Hungry Horse pub. It has around 15 wickets with GK occupying 5 and the remainder guests...most were a bit predictable but my Lytham Harvest Gold was very good. Then back across the road onto the next 9.3 for the journey to **Kirkby in Ashfield**. You alight at the cross and returning from the bus stop to the mini roundabout turn right into Chappel St, which after a while becomes Victoria Rd. It is around 8-10 mins walk to the **Dandy Cock** a new micro pub, which opened in September. Four wickets here with a fair selection, although disappointingly no Priors Well (there was one in the cellar), and that's as close as we came to it all day! Still we enjoyed a very nice Lincoln Green Xmas ale and a double hopped Pale (Oliciana /Dr Rudi) from Welbeck Abbey. We then retraced our steps to the cross and around 150 yds beyond the Bus Stop is the **Barrel & Bean** (new-ish micro open for 6 months) here there were four wickets, three in use but sadly a

lack lustre choice...Brampton Xmas beer as good as it got. Place was busy none the less, so a swift half and onwards. As luck would have it we were R/T on our itinerary so catching the next 9.3 back to Alfreton gave us the required 50 mins to find...and visit the **Handle Bar** (Landlocked) only open around 4 weeks. It is tucked away up a snicket alongside the Indian restaurant, which is almost opposite the road leading to the bus station. Thanks to Rodders for indicating his difficulty in tracking it down, thus ensuring we searched thoroughly! Five ales on offer including a collab at Toolmakers and with Steel City. Mike was saying he enjoyed brewing that beer especially. The bar has to watch it's P's and Q's with regard to licensing agreement as it's domiciled in a residential zone according to the council, so it is having a very soft opening period, where custom is not actively sought, but rather you have to seek it out. Anyway he will be brewing on site shortly. We came away with a couple of Bottles including a Dark Destroyer which Mike said was around 7% originally, but has turned into something special since! Back into **Derby** via the Comet non-stop bus with time to call at the **Alex** and **Brunswick** before our train and then a quick call at the **Weighbridge** (Wentwell) on arrival back in **Burton**, here 3 wickets still offered Wentwell beers, whilst Walter decides if he will continue brewing! One of the beers was Deathcap 5.6%, which I had previously had in Keg form, cask this time and it sure is a fine beer! So Mansfield pubs disappointed a touch, and only one of the two Micro's in Kirkby cut the mustard...but later things finished well



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Recently I took the Transpeak bus from Derby to **Buxton**, which is decent value at £7 return in order to do a recce for an upcoming visit. Initially walking to the unlikely part of the town I was not surprised that the Milton's Head was NRA and did not bother going in the GK Railway, which offered a 'Flame Grill'. The Wetherspoons was also poor with a shoddy interior and only a 5.8%

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porter and a peach ale apart from the usuals. My first drink was in the **Buxton Tap** where the Rednik Stout was good but Moor Top was the only other real ale. There were also about 12 craft ales advertised on a blackboard but displaying no pump clips at a now very bland bar. Quickly on to the Old Clubhouse, which previously had some interesting beers but now is standard GK ales so another sharp exit. I then gambled on the **Old Hall Hotel**, which was rather posh but at least had 3 ales on. I tried Lord Marples, which was so-so with Doom Bar & Atlantic also on, the latter masquerading as a house beer and did not linger as it was a bit uncomfortable with coffee and cake takers around. So far no pubs found for my next visit but I then charged up towards the Market Place and into **53 Degrees North**, which is now in GBG. This is a café bar, which has always on my visits had good and interesting local ales and did not disappoint with Peak Chatsworth Gold, Thornbridge Jaipur, Brakspear Oxford Gold and my choice Winkle Life Of Riley. This was possibly the best drink of the day and the barmaid was equally pleasant, so one on the list for my next visit. I looked through the window of the Marstons eating house King's Head across the road but was unsurprisingly not tempted by the 2 ales on offer. Then after eating my sandwiches outside I went in the **Eagle** where one of the 2 Hydes ales was not available but the Full Steam Ahead was ok and the interior appeared to have been smartened up by the latest landlady. The **GBG Ale Stop** sported an amusing sign outside pointing to 'No Beer' in the opposite direction so of course I went in and had a Slightly Foxed Quick Brown Fox whilst engaging in humorous chat with several locals. I did not try the Raw Archer EPA or North Riding NZ IPA due to lack of time but will return on the next visit. Around the corner the Queen's Head did not appeal with frosted glass windows and I did not fancy what I might see when opening the doors so I stepped on to the **Swan**. As usual the Storm Silk of Amnesia was particularly good but the landlord had either had too much of it and had forgotten how to smile or was formerly an undertaker. The London Road was closed down and apparently had been for a while although I had been in about a year ago. I decided to carry on along the road to the **Blazing Rag** for a first ever visit. I was the only customer and whilst the Doom Bar & Wainwright were not very appealing I had a half of the former at only £1-00, which was in

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reasonable order. It was a good locals' pub, which deserves to survive after some sad recent events. The pub next door, which I believe was the Robin Hood has been demolished and replaced by a Premier Inn, which could be a useful stopover. Back into the town the **GBG Cheshire Cheese** was my next call and as usual sported 5 Titanic ales and as usual I had Capt Smith. It had an excellent selection of ales with Ossett Quick Silver, Goff's Joust, Castle Rock Snow White and the obligatory Everards Tiger completing the range. I next entered the nearby **Old Sun** without much hope as it is a Marston's house but on this occasion was pleasantly surprised by new manager Dave, formerly of the Snake Pass Inn who offered Wychwood Wickerman which was one of the best drinks of the day. It is an interesting old building with poky corners everywhere. Dave had 2 empty sticks on this occasion plus 3 standard Marston's ales so it looks promising enough with 6 ales on for a return visit along with the previous pub. Local info had already advised me of a new venue so my next call was to **Gilberts**, which is another café bar. I tried Winkle Rambler, which was good with Caledonian Autumn Red & Golden XPA also available. The lady proprietor was very friendly so I added this to the list for the last of 5 for my next trip. Then to the **New Inn** with Wizard the preferred drink of the 3 Robinsons available and may try this on my return along with the Eagle and the Swan if time permits. In other words do not leave the Market Place area as all of the best pubs are there with little to commend the other parts of the town to real ale drinkers as far as I could see—Chris P Duck

### RuRAD supporting local beer festivals

On December 1<sup>st</sup> I popped in to beer festival at the **Steampacket** at **Swanwick**, where I found a choice of 15 ales and a selection of ciders on the festival bar, tucked away on a stillage inside the pub. There were also 6 ales and 4 ciders on the main bar. I started with Gold Digger from Bank Top, followed by Chorlton Pale from Bootleg before finishing off with Crystal Gold from Clarks. Other beers were from Castle Rock, Thornbridge, Blue Monkey, Pentrich, Falstaff and Adnams. I just had time for a taste of Big Job from St Austell, which at 6% was very nice. Not a bad little festival at all, and as the landlady said it was put together at the last minute - Charisma

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### Del & Rod's Real Ale Rambles

December 4<sup>th</sup> we started our walk from a little car park on Billa Barra Lane in the Australian outback, not really, it's just off junction 22 on the M1. We set off down the road and a short section of old track bed before crossing the 511 for a footpath to Copt Oak. Unfortunately, due to quarry expansion, the footpath we wanted - and pretty much every other in the vicinity - was closed. This necessitated a long stretch of road walking for us to get back on track at Copt Oak, which we did and stopped for a well-earned coffee in the churchyard. We walked down Whitcroft's Lane the took a footpath to **Markfield** where our first port of call was the **Fieldhead Hotel** where we had a choice from GK IPA, Abbot, a house beer and Rockin' Rudolph with the latter being enjoyed whilst we perused the Christmas menu in some just-ever-so-slightly-too-comfortable chairs. Next it was on to the **Coach & Horses** just across the road, this Everards house had Beacon Hill, Tiger, Sunchaser Blonde, Old Original and Youngs Winter Warmer on hand pump with the Old Original in fine form. From there it was predominantly road walking back to the car for an 8.9 miler

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> we started our walk from the car park at Bramcote Hills and almost immediately got lost in Hemlock Stone Wood! After wandering around aimlessly for about 10-minutes we got back on the Robin Hood Way and set off in earnest down the Nottingham canal path. We took a footpath through Cossall (now both riveted to the Derby/Forest game on the radio) and on to Awsworth where we called in the Crown. We've been in here before but left immediately as there was no real ale, and once again there was no real ale but we decided to stay and have a swift half of Strongbow as we most certainly won't be returning again. In fact the best thing about this pub was Bentner's own goal! With the

initial plan to go to Kimberley shelved we cut across country to **Strelley**, accompanied by strikes from Ince and Hughes, and called in the **Broad Oak** to find Abbot, IPA, Landlord and Nottingham Pale Ale on hand pump in this busy boozier. Determined not to get lost again or climb any unnecessary hills we stuck to the road back to the car for a rather tiring 11.16 Miler

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> our walk started from a little car park just outside Whitwick, well, it would have done if we could have got on it, luckily there were a few spots for road side parking. We set off down Swannymote Rd, then Forest Lane before taking a bridleway that joined a footpath along Black Brook to **Shepshed**. Our first port of call was the **Bull & Bush** a friendly back street boozier with Bass and Pedi on hand pump, the Bass was a decent drop. A short walk away we came upon the **Railway**, or the Bottom Railway, a pub I thought was further down the road and not our route so it was a bit of a bonus. Pedi, EPA and Hobgoblin Gold were on offer with the EPA being preferred and in decent nick. A few yards up the road we called in the **Top Railway**, which certainly was on the itinerary, Bombardier was the only ale on offer and thus imbibed. Finally we called in the **GBG Horse** on the main road, this cosy little boozier had Nene Valley Lone Star, Abbot, Pedi, Leatherbritches Ashbourne Ale and Burton Bridge Bitter, the Nene Valley was probably the best drink of the day. From there we got on to Sandhole Lane and a footpath got us back to Swanemote Rd for a much more acceptable 8.4 miler

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On Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup> I met up with HH, who was leading a small group of RuRADians, at **Sheffield** Interchange where we got the 12.00 No57 Stocksbridge bus. We got off at the **Horse & Jockey** at **Wadsley** to find 10 Stancill ales on handpump, which were Mistletoe, Porter, India, Blonde, Stainless, Barnsley, No7, Ginger Pale, Blizzard and Black Gold, of which I tried the Porter and Black Gold and both were in top form and surprisingly inexpensive with a CAMRA card. Next we got the bus back to the **Hillsborough Hotel** and found Pennine Black Fell Porter, Little Critters Simcoe, Tapped Brambling & Mojo, Dukeries Red Nose, Saltaire Blonde and Acorn Barnsley Bitter, I tried the Little Critters and

the Black Fell Porter, which was especially nice. From there we had a 10-minute walk to the **Gardeners Rest** where HH had arranged a nice buffet of sandwiches, black pudding, pork pies, scratchings and crisps to tide us over, which was most welcome. Alongside Sheffield Ginger Secret Santa, Five Rivers, Bessemer & Forgemaster there was Salopian Holly Bush, Holsworthy Bee Merry, Millowners Ale and Clarkes Haydn's Festive Fruit Stout, my first half of which mysteriously disappeared! I tried HH's brew - managing to keep hold of the second half - and

the Sheffield Forgemaster. At this point the group began to fragment as some moved on to the **Toolmakers Brewery** to find Nutcracker & Black Edge alongside Steel City Forked Tongue. The Chair and his better half called in and a Christmas jig demonstrated his continuance down the road to recovery. It was at this point I left the group and headed back to the train station calling in the **Forest** where Toolmakers Lynch Pin was favoured over their Belt Sander, Sonic 2 and Bandsaw. Back at the beginning

of November I decided to bag all the real ale pubs in the city centre so on my way back I called in **Cavell's**, which on a previous visit had been nra, and found Bradfield Belgian Blue and Stancill Barnsley Bitter on offer with the former being preferred. Not far away my final port of call was the **Mulberry Tavern** where of Abbeydale Daily Bread & Deception I favoured the former. From there it was the train back to **Derby** and a swift half of Crate Porter in the **Brunswick** before my bus home. Thanks to HH for leading our merry band and for sorting out the sustenance - Ed

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

27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January Lichfield Winter Beer & Wine Fest, Lichfield Guildhall, Bore Street-Lichfield 30+ Ales, Cider

27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January The Old Volunteer Beer Festival, 35 Burton Road-Carlton, Notts 22 Ales 6 Ciders & Haggis

3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February 19<sup>th</sup> Chesterfield Beer Festival, Winding Wheel-Chesterfield 100+ Ales Ciders/Perry, Wine, World Beers

10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> February Hucknall Beer Festival, The John Godber Centre-Hucknall, Nottingham 50+ Ales

15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> February Derby Winter Ales Festival, The Roundhouse, Pride Park-Derby 300+ Ales, Cider/Perry

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13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> January 28<sup>th</sup> Exeter Festival Of Winter Ales, Exeter FC, St James Park, Stadium Way-Exeter 76 Ales 12 Ciders

13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> January 38<sup>th</sup> Whittlesea Straw Bear Festival, Whittlesea-Peterborough, Various Pubs Holding Beer Festivals

19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January Manchester Beer & Cider Festival, Manchester Central, Windmill Street-Manchester 550+ Ales Cider

19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> January 21<sup>st</sup> Cambridge Winter Ales Fest, University Social Club, Mill Lane-Cambridge 100+ Ales Cider/Perry

25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January Colchester Winter Ale Festival, Colchester Arts Centre, Church Street-Colchester 120+ Ales 25+ Ciders

27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January 8<sup>th</sup> Elysian Beer Festival, The Maltings, Ship Lane-Ely, Cambridgeshire 75 Ales, 20 Ciders

27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January 5<sup>th</sup> Beamish Winter Fest, Best Western Country House Hotel-Beamish Stanley, County Durham 90+ Ales

27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January Salisbury Beer Festival, British Legion Club, Endless Street-Salisbury 24 Ales 2 Ciders

2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February The Snooty Fox Rock N Ale Festival, 75 Grosvenor Avenue-London

2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February Stevenage Winter Beer Festival, Arts & Leisure Centre, Lytton Way-Stevenage 100+ Ales + Cider

2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February 22<sup>nd</sup> Tewkesbury Winter Ales Fest, George Watson Hall, Barton St-Tewkesbury 80+ Winter Ales + Cider

2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February 13<sup>th</sup> Pendle Beer Festival, Municipal Hall-Colne, Lancashire 100+ Ales Cider/Perry Bottled Beers

2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February 28<sup>th</sup> Bent & Bongs Beer Bash, Formby Hall-Atherton, Manchester 70 Ales, Trad Cider, Foreign

3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February White Cliffs Festival of Winter Ale, Town Hall-Dover 100+ Winter & Strong Ales

3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February 29<sup>th</sup> Dorchester Beerex, Corn Exchange, High St West-Dorchester 80 Ales

8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> February Brood at the Prince of Wales, 52 Coventry Road-Hinckley, 25-30 Stout Porter & Milds

9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> February 35<sup>th</sup> Fleetwood Beer & Cider Festival, Marine Hall, Esplanade-Fleetwood 125+ Ales, Cider/Perry

10<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> February 10<sup>th</sup> Ilkley Beer Festival, Ilkley Kings Hall, Station Road-Ilkley 150 Ales Cider/Perry Foreign Beers

*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 or Rodders on [uplonkerrodne2006@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:uplonkerrodne2006@yahoo.co.uk) by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month.

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