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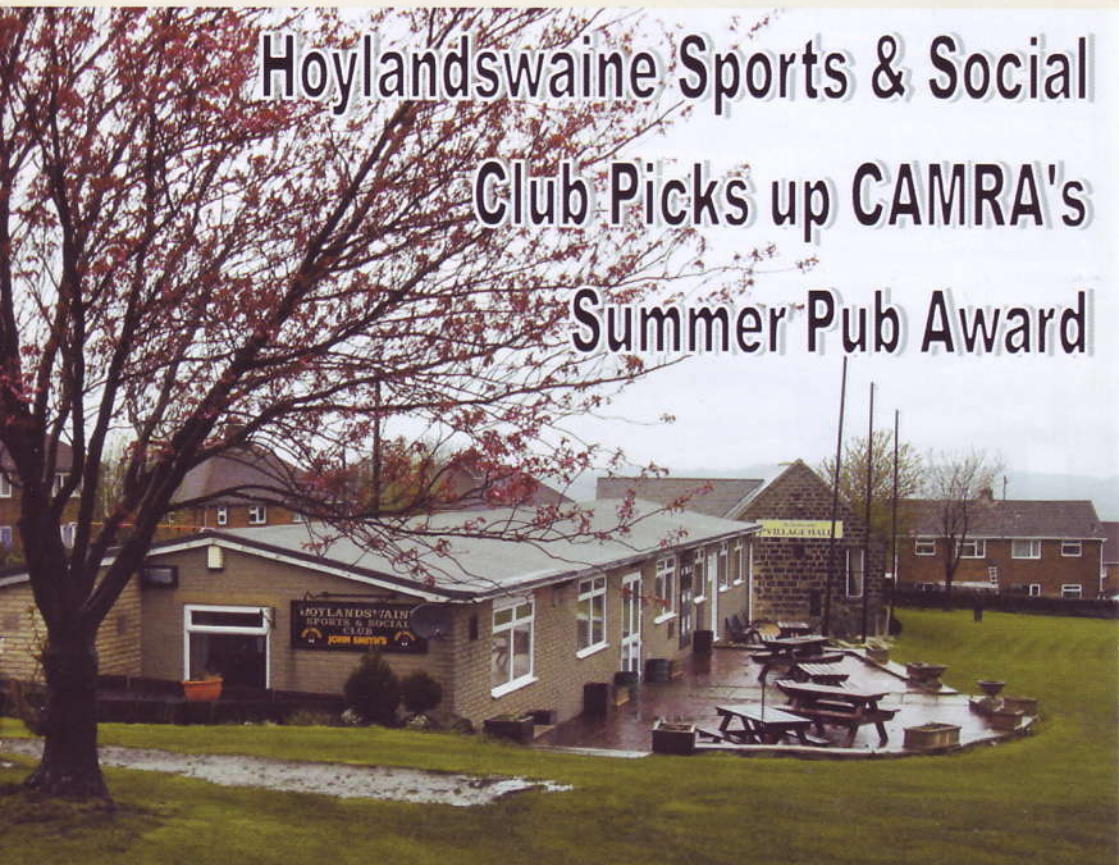
Barnsley Ale Report

Summer 2012



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Hoylandswaine Sports & Social Club Picks up CAMRA's Summer Pub Award



Hoylandswaine's popular Sports and Social Club has been awarded Barnsley CAMRA's Accolade of Summer Pub of the Season.

This is not the first time that a Club has picked up the Pub Award says Phil Gregg, Barnsley CAMRA's Pub and Clubs officer, and with around 20 Clubs in our area offering some wonderful real ales it won't be long before a club wins again.

Full story on page 3

THE DOG & PARTRIDGE

COUNTRY PUB & HOTEL

A warm welcome awaits at the Dog and Partridge, an ancient Inn with a history that can be traced back to the Elizabethan period. Relax in front of the roaring open fire on those cold winter months or enjoy the stunning Moorland views from the beer garden during the long summer days, whilst sampling the selection of beers, lagers and wines which are available. A CAMRA awarded winner, the Dog & Partridge is proud to include a good choice of cask conditioned beers, some locally sourced and others from around the country. Traditional country cooking the way it used to be, featuring many old favourites is complimented by modern cuisine.

- Four Real Ales
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Steve and Audrey with their latest award from Barnsley CAMRA, Winter Pub of the Season 2011/2012



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Barnsley CAMRA Summer Pub of the Season

Hoylandswaine Sports and Social Club

This year's Summer Pub of the Season isn't a pub at all It's a cracking little Sports Club. Situated in the rural village of Hoylandswaine and with panoramic views over the borough this club has rapidly established itself as a favourite amongst CAMRA members.

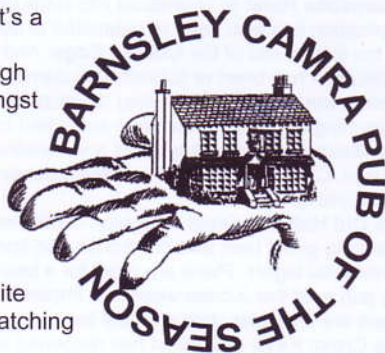
Over recent years we have seen a wealth of clubs within the borough offering members quality cask ale and the Hoylandswaine Sports Club is testament to the club revolution in the area.

With an outside patio to enjoy the picturesque views accompanied by a pint of fantastic cask ale it could be quite easy to pass away the hours on a summer's day whilst watching a game of Cricket.

The club is situated in the heart of the village and is a fantastic asset to the local community and is well supported by the local residents.

The guest ale is usually sourced from local breweries and is always in great condition. The cask ale is kept well thanks to the hard work of Steward John Round and the hardworking staff. On hearing the news John was pleasantly surprised as it was unexpected.

Barnsley CAMRA will be making a presentation on Friday 17th August at around 8:30pm so come along and raise a toast to this fantastic club.



For a full list of presentation dates for Pub of the Season, Pub of the Year, Club of the Year and Cider Pub of the Year. See page 26

Elsecar Heritage Railway

Well the rain stayed away and the customers came and came and just kept coming. Our four-day beer festival, held over the May Day weekend at the Elsecar Heritage Railway, proved to be our most successful since the heady days of the Civic Hall.

Two re-stocks provide testimony to revellers appetite for real ales and cider at affordable prices. Our willing volunteers served over 6,000 half pints and all our commemorative glasses were sold.

A big thank you goes out to all our volunteers and customers alike and of course to our hosts the Elsecar Heritage Railway. A special mention to CAMRA's sponsors the Acorn Brewery, Wentworth Brewery and H.B. Clarks, and Del Tilling for expertly sourcing so many new beers.

The event also raised funds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

We'll be back next year with more beers, cider, entertainment and trains, but be sure to put our next beer festival in your diary – back at the Milton Hall, Elsecar from 13th-15th September 2012.



The Organising Committee.

Pub, Club & Brewery News

News that has been heading our way in the last few months.

An application has been submitted to turn the closed **Thurnscoe Hotel** at Thurnscoe into retail use. Also an application has also been re submitted to build houses on the former site of the **Cutting Edge**. And an application has been re submitted to demolish the **Flouch Inn** and build a housing development. Finally a planning application has been submitted to demolish **The Masons Arms**, Mapplewell and construct 5 houses. CAMRA have sent in letters opposing all the above plans.

The **Old Hall Inn**, Great Houghton continues to sell a changing guest beer and has introduced some continental lagers. Plans are afoot for a beer festival at the pub over the Jubilee weekend. Imperial Brewery beers are a regular choice on the bar.

The **Cross Keys** at Darfield has reopened and feedback has been very good. There are two cask ales available Tetley's cask and John Smiths Cask. The licensee is looking at adding another cask ale and was thinking of Taylors Landlord.

The **Darfield Hotel** is undergoing a major refurb. Stuart and Tina (formerly landlord and landlady of the Fitzwilliam Arms, and Market Hotel) and Sarah and Mathew (Stuart and Tina's daughter and son in law). are the New Owners of **The Crown Inn**, Elsecar. The pub offers 3 changing real ales and all from local breweries.

The **Cross Keys** at Hoyland Common is now selling cask ale, it's very popular said the bar man, only to find it had run out, again!

Birdwell Venue (Formerly Birdwell Club) is now selling Acorn Barnsley Bitter.

The **Keel Inn**, Barnsley is offering a regular Acorn beer alongside its changing guest beers.

The **Fitzwilliam Arms** at Elsecar has four changing guest beers from four breweries, though it seems Steve has to keep the Old Mill Blonde Bombshell on for the drinkers, changing beers are from Acorn, Theakstons and Oakwell Brewery. Other brewery's beers do make the odd guest beer occasionally.

The **Star** at Hoyland Common is selling what seems to be John Smiths Keg beer through a hand pump. This is miss leading dispense but trading standards don't recognise a hand pump as a sign for real cask conditioned beer (real ale) as opposed to brewery conditioned beer (keg beer). On our visit the word "cask" on the pump clip had been covered up by masking tape.

The **Old Number 7** in Barnsley will be hosting a Beer Festival from 5th to 8th July with over 20 cask ales and around 10 ciders

Rhythm & Booze the local off license chain has recently been bought from administration by Bibby group owners of the Cost Cutter chain saving 425 jobs.

Acorn Brewery - Wombwell

Out for this season is God Save the Queen to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. You should still be able to get Lightness & Darkness the two milds for Mild Month of May.

The current Newport IPA will be replaced by Bullion IPA which is a rich golden colour with tastes of exotic fruits and has a slight citrus aroma. England's Dreaming is making another appearance for Euro 2012, a light golden well hopped bitter.

The Olympic beer is called Hoptathlon a pale ale with hops from across the world. The ever popular Yorkshire Pride is now available in bottles (cold filtered). The brewery has increased trade and has now purchased another 200 firkins and two 20 barrel conditioning tanks from Germany as well as a new cooling system, an investment of around £50k



Geeves Brewery - Stairfoot



It's all hands (well both of Pete's) to the deck at the brewery. Harry had a collision with a taxi in Leeds and is out of action so Pete is working flat out. A new brew called Extra Pale will be out soon using low-colour marris otter malt and American hops, it will have a really citrusy kick to it. Other beers out are CoCo Canal, Red Diesel, No. 1, Smokey Joe and Gunwale Dance.

Two Roses Brewery - Darton

A new beer from the brewery is Galaxy IPA, a single hopped pale ale, smooth with a hoppy finish.

The Regular beers are ever popular and include Black Beauty Stout, First Edition and Chinook, with seasonal brews including Summer Special. Watch out for new brews for the forthcoming Queen's Jubilee and possibly the Olympics.



Nigel Craft

Elsecar Odd Box



During a clean out of an out-building at the Fitzwilliam Arms, Elsecar Steve the landlord discovered a strange box; that he has no idea what it is, or indeed been used for. It has now become a local oddity. He wants to know its origin and past use. It's made from Oak, stands 3ft, the inside partition is in two halves. It stands outside the front of the pub if you want a closer look. If you have any ideas as to what it is or what it was used for, please pass your knowledge to either me, Jeff Harrison (details on page 26) or to Steve or Sharon at the Fitzwilliam Arms.

Spring Pub of the Season



A wonderful atmosphere greeted Margaret and the rest of the CAMRA members who turned up to make the presentation of Spring Pub of the Season to the Engineers Arms at Higham. The pub was full of locals who had arrived early to get a seat, one chap even moved from his seat to take a place at the bar so we could all sit together. *Thank you.* Margaret made the presentation to a hushed pub who all congratulated Tony and June on winning this pub's accolade from CAMRA for a second time. Raffles, domino cards and sandwiches were bought, won and eaten, while quantities of Samuel Smith's Old Brewery Bitter was drunk. Next time you're passing, stop and call in for a pint.

The Three Valleys Beer Festival 2012

10 pubs over 3 valleys!

Dronfield - Holmesfield - Barlow - Bradway - Topley

The Coach & Horses

The Horns Inn

Barlow Brewery

The Three Tuns

The Dronfield Arms

The Orkell Inn

Jolly Farmer

Miners Arms

Castle Inn

Hearty Oak

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The Three Valleys Festival is now in its third year and is a fantastic way to support local pubs. The one day event (Sat 2nd June) will feature over 100 beers in 10 pubs over 3 valleys! A free bus will get you around and a free programme will help you plan your day. The idea and co-ordination is from local CAMRA members.

For more info visit www.threevalleysfestival.org.uk
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Timothy Taylor Landlord, Black Sheep Best Bitter and Tetley Trad on all the time and 3 guest beers appearing regularly we can't expect you to like everything - so please ask for a free taster before you buy!

Many of our guest beers come from micro breweries within a 25 mile radius, which gives us the Barnsley CAMRA Locale certificate, although we do also feature other beers from around the country.

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Live music every Wednesday evening, feel free to come and listen or join in.

Well-behaved dogs and children are always welcome!



20 Miles Brewery To Bar

CAMRA LocAle - the accreditation scheme to promote pubs that sell locally-brewed real ale, reducing the number of 'beer miles' and supporting your local breweries.

Listed below are participating pubs in the Barnsley area. These pubs should regularly serve at least one real ale that is 20 miles or less from the brewery to the bar.

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 Barley Sheaf - Wombwell
 Birdwell Club, Venue - Birdwell
 Bowling Club - Penistone
 Chennells - Barnsley
 Cherry Tree - High Hoyland
 Commercial - Barnsley
 Conservative Club - Barnsley
 Courthouse - Barnsley
 Crown Inn - Elsecar
 Cubley Hall - Penistone
 Dog and Partridge - Hazlehead
 Dodworth Valley Arms - Dodworth
 Fitzwilliam Arms - Elsecar
 Fox and Hounds - Shafton
 Foxhouse - Carlecoats
 Harborough Hills Club - Barnsley
 Horseshoe - Wombwell
 Huntsman - Thurlstone </p> | <p> Joseph Bramah - Barnsley
 Keel Inn - Barnsley
 Market - Elsecar
 Milton Arms - Elsecar
 Old Hall - Great Houghton
 Old Number 7 - Barnsley
 Old Moor Tavern - Broomhill
 Rose and Crown - Hoylandswaine
 Saville Square - Hoyland Common
 Shaw Lane Sports Club - Barnsley
 Silkstone - Barnsley
 Silkstone Golf Club - Silkstone
 Silkstone Inn - Barnsley
 Sports and Social Club - Hoylandswaine
 Station Inn - Silkstone Common
 Waggon and Horses - Langsett
 West End Club - Cudworth
 Wortley Arms - Wortley
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Updated May 2012



How can you help?

- Watch out for pubs displaying the up-to-date LocAle sign
- Order a LocAle beer, this may be highlighted with the LocAle Crown on the pump
- Enjoy the quality local real ale
- Ask your local if they can stock a LocAle real ale or contact Barnsley CAMRA if you would like us to speak to a licensee about LocAle on your behalf

LocAle Pub Sudoku

Sudoku rules are easy: Fill all empty squares so that the letters (Upper and Lower Case) from 'LocAle Pub' appear once in each row, column and 3x3 box.

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Pub of the Year

Old No 7 Barnsley

This year's Barnsley CAMRA Pub of The Year Award goes to The Old No.7, Market Hill, Barnsley. The pub reopened in August 2011 after being bought and extensively refurbished by the new owners Acorn Brewery. The pub has now transformed into Barnsley's premier cask ale venue and created a haven for real ale lovers in the town centre area.

Since the pub opened in 2011 we have seen an explosion in the popularity of real ale in the town with an increasing number of town centre pubs now selling cask ale.

The success story is all down to the hard work of Acorn Managing Director Dave Hughes and his business partner Michael Thorpe.

Through their hard work and boldness, the pub now offers the finest selection of cask ale, cider and continental beers in the borough.

The huge day to day task of running the pub is magnificently carried out by pub manager Fiona Holmes and her loyal band of staff. All the members of staff pride themselves on their levels of customer service and product knowledge and are all passionate about cask ale.

On hearing the news Dave and the team at Acorn Brewery and the Pub were delighted. Dave said "it's fantastic news, for ourselves and the town. The town centre has been crying out for a great cask alehouse for a number of years like other towns and cities across the county. I'd like to thank everyone who has helped us along the way and hopefully this will be the start of many awards."

The pub will be hosting its second beer festival on 5 - 8th of July with over 21 cask ales and over 10 ciders available. Barnsley CAMRA will be making a presentation on the Friday night of the festival at around 9pm.



Club of the Year

Wortley Club

This year's Barnsley CAMRA Club of the Year Award goes to Wortley Club. This is the clubs' first ever award from CAMRA and they have certainly started in style. The judges gave the Club rave reviews and were impressed with the atmosphere and quality of beer and cider on offer.

Situated in the heart of the pretty Village of Wortley, the Club has rapidly gained a fantastic reputation for good quality cask ale and traditional cider. Under the stewardship of Nigel and his loyal staff this fantastic Club is certainly worth a visit. CAMRA members are welcome but are asked to show their CAMRA membership card on entry.



Inside the plush interior is warm and welcoming and oozes charm. The bar would wet the appetite of any real ale fan. The permanent Timothy Taylors Landlord is accompanied by a changing guest beer often sourced locally and a guest draught cider. The Wortley Club will now go forward into the CAMRA Yorkshire Regional Club of the Year Competition.

Barnsley CAMRA will be holding a presentation evening at the club on Friday 20th July at around 9pm. So please come along and celebrate this fantastic Club.

Join CAMRA And Receive Fantastic Membership Benefits

For just **£23 a year** you will receive:



Exclusive members newspaper - 'What's Brewing' - A monthly colour newspaper informing you of beer and pub news and detailing events and beer festivals from around the country.

Exclusive members magazine - 'BEER' - A quarterly copy of the magazine 'BEER' which is packed with superb features on pubs, beers and breweries.

Free / Discounted entry to over 160 beer festivals - Free or discounted admission to the 160 + beer festivals that CAMRA organise, including the Great British Beer Festival and the National Winter Ales Festival.

Branch Social Activities - CAMRA is organised into 200 branches that cover the UK. Each branch runs a variety of socials events for their members.

Active Campaigning - Have the chance to campaign to save pubs and breweries under threat of closure, for the right to receive a Full Pint and a reduction in beer duty that will help Britain's brewing industry survive.

Book Discounts - CAMRA produce a variety of books every year and as a member you are entitled to discounts on all of the books we produce including CAMRA's best-selling, annual Good Beer Guide.

CAMRA Complimentary Clubs - Complimentary Clubs have been designed to offer additional benefits to CAMRA members and give breweries the opportunity to use them as a communications tool, promoting new beers, sharing exciting news and running competitions.

So why not join today? You will be helping to actively support the British Brewing and Pub industry as well as enjoying the benefits of CAMRA membership.

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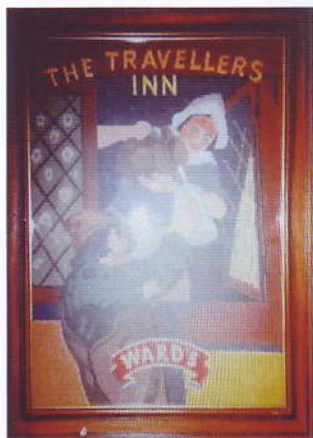
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Have Your Pub In Stitches



David and Joy want to help capture some of Barnsley's Free House pub signs and like many others they have made, make them into hand sewn tapestries. David and Joy are a retired couple who just want to keep their hand in at this unique artwork that they have been doing for a few years now. All it costs is the raw materials as their time (hobby) is free.

So here is your chance, If you are the owner of a Free House they are offering you the

chance to add class to your interior décor in the form of a hand sewn tapestry of your pub sign.

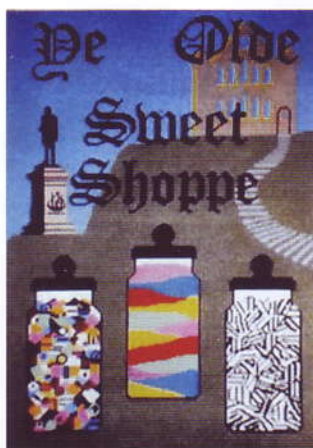
As already mentioned, all they ask is the price of materials used; canvas, wool and the framing, the time spent doing the tapestry (about 6 weeks) is free, and the size of your tapestry is up-to-you.

The first one they made was for the Travellers Inn (above left) at Oxspring fifteen years ago, and the last one was for the Crown and Anchor (above right) at Barugh Green, both are proudly on display in the pubs today. Many others have been made in-between these including The Drunken Duck at St. Peter Port, Guernsey; The White Lion, Upton-on-Seven; The Black Dog Brewery and The Hunters Sweet Shop (below left) both in Whitby. "The double tapestry

hangs as the outside sign"; The Millers Inn at Low Barugh and La Gondopala restaurant, Benalmadena, Spain; Gawber Road WMC, (right) Barnsley. As a guide, the Gawber Road WMC tapestry is 33" x 23" and cost a total of £145, this includes the non-reflective glass and frame.

Your tapestry can be handed down to future generations as a real symbol of English History.

If you are interested in having your pub sign made into a tapestry we ask that you contact Nigel Croft as liaison with David and Joy. Nigel's details are on page 28. He will quickly pass on your interest and let them contact you.



The Pictures are all hand sewn tapestries not pub signs.

Beer Festival Line Up

Not too many local festivals for this issue, so you may have to travel, but there are loads of good ones here. I've found in the past that it's more interesting to go somewhere totally new and explore other areas, but just remember to set off early and check the travelling arrangements not only for getting there, but you'll need to get back as well!

I guess there will be a few added later on with a sporting theme ('5 Rings of Fire' maybe – featuring the Wentworth Chilli beers?)

1 - 3 June Kirkburton Diamond Jubilee Beer Festival at the Scout HQ, Hallas Road, Kirkburton HD8 0QQ, Friday 4-11, Saturday 11-11, Sunday 11-3, With beers still only £2.00 a pint.

1 - 3 June Diamond Jubilee Beer Festival at the Reindeer Inn, Overton WF4 4RL sponsored by **Cap House Brewery**, starting Friday 4pm, Pub is just uphill from the National Mining Museum.

2nd June (only one day this year) The Three Valleys Festival in 10 pubs and 3 valleys around Dronfield and South Sheffield There is a FREE shuttle bus between venues.

2 - 3 June The Old Hall, Great Houghton, Diamond Jubilee Beer Festival. Open all day Saturday & Sunday. Saturday afternoon is the Champion Beer of Great Houghton Competition...

2 - 3 June The first Brockholes beer festival, to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Brockholes Village Hall 11-8.30 each day.

2 - 5 June Queen's Jubilee Weekend Beer Festival at Misterton Sports & Social Club in its new premises at West Moor Road, Walkeringham, Doncaster DN10 4LR.

7 - 9 June Shakespeare's, Gibraltar St, Sheffield. A Summer Beer and Cider festival, up to 10 beers on the bar, plus extra beer in the room upstairs. Lots to choose from including some original and new ales. This is fast becoming one of the must-go-to pubs in Sheffield.

8 - 10 June Jemmy Hirst at the Rose & Crown, Rawcliffe Beer Festival from 5pm Friday and from noon Saturday and Sunday. On Fri & Sat the ghost train leaves Rawcliffe Station for West Yorkshire at 6:56pm (**Yorkshire Pub the Year 2011**)

The Barnsley CAMRA Charity Beer Festival at the Elsecar Heritage Railway was a Huge Success, so we will be back 3rd to 6th May 2013



22 - 23 June Greater Manchester CAMRA Cider and Perry Festival at the Palace Hotel, Oxford Rd, Manchester, 60 in all, 12 - 10:30pm Admission on door.

29 June - 1 July Tenth Idle Beer Festival at the Hepworth & Idle Cricket Club, Idle, Fri 7-11 with a local band, Sat 2-11, Sun 2-5, admission £1.

7 - 8 July Sixth Annual Monkeyfest at Armitage Bridge Monkey Club, Armitage Bridge HD4 7PB.

11 - 15 July Derby CAMRA Summer Festival. 200 beers, Assembly Rooms. Free entry to CAMRA members, closed afternoons.

20 - 22 July Beer Festival at the Little Bull, Middlestown, Wakefield WR4 4NR, open all day on the Saturday and Sunday, live music. Visit tramlines.org.uk for up-to-date information.

20 - 22 July Tramlines Music and Ale Festival. Venues across Sheffield including The Leadmill, Sheffield Cathedral and the O2 Academy.

26 - 29 July Yorkshire Festival of Ales at the Black Swan, Fearby near Masham, 30 Yorkshire ales, live music.

26 - 29 July Third Annual Yarnbury Beer Festival, Yarnbury RFC, Horsforth, Leeds, LS18 5HB .

28 July Bobtown Beer Bash at Roberttown Community Centre, Roberttown WF15 7LS, 35+ real ales including festival specials, perry and cider, food, live music open 12-10.

11th August Garforth Lions' First Beer Festival at the Miners' Welfare Hall, Garforth LS25 1AA in aid of local charities, trains from York, Selby & Leeds,

7 - 11 August The Great British Beer Festival, Olympia, London. Over 800 cask and bottled real ales, ciders & foreign beers from around the world.

21 - 25 August Peterborough CAMRA Beer Festival. Over 200 cask-conditioned ales from around the country + ciders / perries and bottled beers. One of the biggest and best festivals around, with fun for all the family.

And a date for your diary – 13th, 14th & 15th September Barnsley CAMRA will be holding its second Beer Festival in Elsecar, this time at the Milton Hall. Open Thu 4-11; Fri & Sat 12-11, watch out for the publicity in the coming months.

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Around Barnsley in 80 Beers

Beers 13 to 16

If I had thought of putting this challenge of finding 80 beers in Barnsley 20 years ago I would have probably had to throw the towel in at this stage, however, not even a 5th of the way in I see I have a good chance of finding another 64... Lets see.



Just a 5 minute walk down the hill from town, off Old Mill Lane you will find this wonderful pub, **The Keel Inn** is well hidden on Canal Street and was once on the now closed Barnsley Canal which was a branch of the Aire and Calder Navigation. The Keel is a friendly multiple roomed local with memorabilia from the original Oakwell Brewery. The Keel offers a couple of rotating guest beers and on my

recent visit I was delighted to find this beer from the **Dark Star Brewery, Golden Gate at 4.5% abv**

Dark Star brewery have been offering North American hopped beer for some time now and this is the beer that started them of on this wonderful hoppy drinking adventure, not as hoppy as their IPA's but recommended if you like hops.

Food Matching - This beer goes well with curry dishes, and cheese ploughman's.



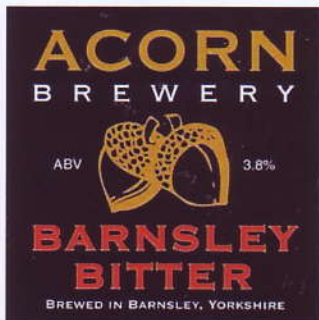
At Shafton Two Gates stands the Fox and Hounds, on the once busy main road (A628) to Pontefract. The pub has a large open plan area served by an 'L' shaped bar. The Fox and Hounds is very popular at weekends with disco's and karaoke. Upstairs is the restaurant where good home cooked food is served. You don't have to go through the bar to get upstairs, at busy times

just use the

stairs from the side of the pub. The pub offers two real ales and today I have opted for Acorn Barnsley Bitter.

Acorn Barnsley Bitter at 3.8% abv is brewed in Wombwell and in the last couple of years has become extremely popular in the area. The beer is smooth malty with a hint of chocolate and caramel and has a fruity bitter finish.

Food Matching – This goes well with beef or strong cheese. ►



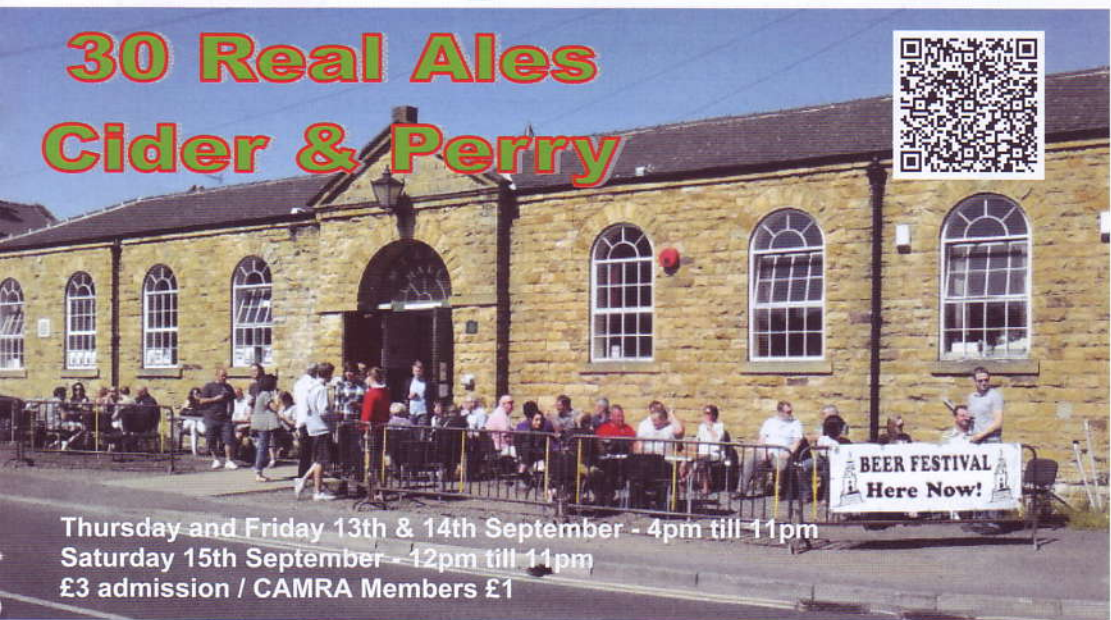
BEER AGAIN

Barnsley CAMRA Beer Festival

Milton Hall, Elsecar

13 - 15 September 2012

30 Real Ales Cider & Perry



Thursday and Friday 13th & 14th September - 4pm till 11pm

Saturday 15th September - 12pm till 11pm

£3 admission / CAMRA Members £1



Only a 7 minute walk from Elsecar Train Station or catch the 66 bus from Barnsley or 227 from Rotherham.

As usual the Pubs in the Village will be putting on extra beers so please visit them on route to and from the festival.

To Be Confirmed As We Went To Print





The Tom Treddelhoyle is in Pogmoor, about a mile west of Barnsley and is a wonderful community pub with fun packed theme nights, charity events and quiet nights. The bar serves an open-ish plan of three areas. A conservatory to the rear of the pub leads to a large beer garden with play area for the kids. The pub has up to three real

ales but my choice on this visit was Copper Dragon's Golden Pippin.

Copper Dragon, Golden Pippin at 3.9% abv is as the name suggests a golden beer, it has a citrus aroma and flavour, its bitterness increases in the aftertaste, leaving you wanting more.

Food Matching - This beer goes well with ploughman's and vegetable soup.



The Huntsman may be a little off the beaten track for folk who don't venture much further than the town centre, but next time you are coming back from Manchester Airport and you get to Thurstone, stop at the Huntsman for a pint of real beer to flush out the stuff you had on holiday. The Huntsman is a good old-fashioned pub

with no jukebox, television or loud music, with the exception of Wednesday night! Six real ales are always on offer and after my bus ride from town I opted for a beer from Stairfoot, Geeves No.1

Geeves No.1 at 3.8% abv Named after a freelance transporter, or simply a boatman who owned his own narrow boat. As all the boats in a fleet would be numbered, his would be No.1. The beer itself is a traditional bitter beer with a hoppy finish.

Food Matching - This beer goes well with meat pie and peas and a mild cheese.

16 down, 64 to go...

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Angler's Rest for this first award not only for the condition of the ciders or perrys, but also for the commitment Simone has put into this. So pleased is she that a small box is being fitted to the bar for displaying and dispensing cider.

For anyone who has not yet visited the Angler's Rest, you are missing a true gem. The pub may only be small but it is full of heart, a true community pub. The pub does huge amount for charity, with the main benefactor being Help for Heroes, the latest idea is making a donation for which of three designs Simone is going to have tattooed! Come along on the 23rd of June and you will be able to take a look. At the pub that is...

The BAR

Friday 29th June 2012

Second Ale Festival Hits Else

Only a couple of months after the first roaring successful beer festival at the Elsecar Heritage Centre, Railway Yard News hits us that a second festival is on its way to Elsecar this year. There is nothing stopping the enthusiastic volunteers who help to offer guidance in the choice of 30 real ales and untold ciders and bottled beers. It seems that the 3 day event is already booked for Thursday 13th to Saturday 15th September 2012. Again, we can only offer the best advice, which is to leave the car at home and catch the 66 bus or train to the Milton Hall, Elsecar. For more up to the minute news use the world wide web and look for Barnsley CAMRA. And as always, have a great time.

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Hannah At The Hob

By
Hannah Lucas

I have been reading Ian Macmillan's article about the demise of snap & the flask of coffee. He comments on the fashion for a "skinny –mocha – chocka – blocka with marshmallows" and fancy sandwiches made with "samphire picked by naked peasants at dawn." The English language is rich with words for packed meals and for their containers, Piece, Bait, Snap, Scran, Packup, Baggin etc. Any more examples? Some of these words seem to have more adult meanings too! The packed lunch started when workers no longer worked near home. The tin miners enjoyed the Cornish pasty and now it's so popular with the Prime Minister. The ploughman's lunch has nothing to do with horses & fields. The Milk Marketing Board invented it to boost cheese sales in the 60s. Reinvented as the ploughman's sandwich AKA Cheese & Branston Pickle. Works canteens were introduced as a welfare measure now they have almost totally disappeared. I can also remember going to the pub on a Friday lunchtime with the gang from our office. Enjoying hot food with several beers or a couple of ciders. Then, of course, there were the steelworkers who had beer brought into work to quench their thirst. Do you remember those Ward's pubs near the steel works in Attercliffe? Now lunchtime drinking is a definite no for most workers.

We eat lunch at our desks and even worse, use the office microwave to heat that sachet of porridge with the smell of golden syrup. We even have those mini fridges that hold a small bottle of

milk and a packet of sandwiches. We network at the water cooler when we used to gossip at the tea trolley. I am not promoting drinking during the working day but I do think that we have lost the habit of eating and socialising. We are busier but no more

efficient. Our continental cousins are fighting to keep a decent lunch break. Let's have good quality snap at realistic prices.

I am not nostalgic for the contents of some of those lunch boxes, smelly egg & cress or sandwich spread with marg on white sliced bread. My mother used to add a few extras such as a triangle of Dairylea, a greaseproof paper twist with sultanas and tomatoes or grapes. I have recently been reading Nigel Slater's "Eating for England" which is a fantastic trip down memory lane.

We should support the campaign for better bread and better fillings. I am fed up with poor quality, over chilled, expensive sandwiches with ingredients that sound great but taste of nothing. They are bulked out with mayo too. The most disappointing being offered by supermarkets and on trains.

Some pubs are no better; I want good bread and a good filling to be centre stage and not several pots of dips, piles of tired mixed leaves and crisps. I am tired of Ploughman's with very large chunks of very average cheese, soggy pickled onions, tons of pickle, half a tasteless Golden Delicious and those ubiquitous leaves. Lets support local produce and lets support quality sandwiches.

Quality bread is more expensive than the sliced variety and local cheese is more expensive than Kraft slices but lets start encouraging pubs to give us better quality & cut the fripp. A fine example being the quality local bread, cheese, pork pies and ham served at the Birch Inn at Beck Hole. They also sell homemade scones & their famous Beer Cake. The pub is 1 steep mile from the N. Y Railway at Goathland. YO22 5LE (See Website and Good Beer Guide)



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BY THE BOCK



Bock to the future for **Roger Protz**, who investigates the classic German beer style with a billy goat symbol

Bavarians enjoy lederhosen and lager, and both will be on display this month when they celebrate the arrival of spring with a special beer called Maibock. They're partial to bock, a strong lager that's brewed in various forms throughout the year, including a double bock for Lent, when the godly turn to 'liquid bread' to sustain them during the fasting season.

While the Bavarians like to claim bock beer as their own, its origins lie in the north of Germany. The Hanseatic city of Einbeck was famous for its beer, specially so when it sent supplies to Martin Luther when he was on trial for heresy in 1521.

In the German fashion, the beer was known as Einbecker – from Einbeck. The style moved south in the 17th century when the Duke of Brunswick in Lower Saxony married the daughter of a Bavarian aristocrat. The duke took his court brewer with him to make some Einbecker for the wedding guests and the Bavarians took a liking to a beer they refashioned as *Oanbocker* in the local dialect. This was rapidly shortened to bock – the Bavarian name for a billy goat. Ever since, a true bock beer carries the symbol of a goat on the label as a sign of virility and strength. A special bock, called Märzen, was brewed in March and stored for the Oktoberfest in Munich. It dates from 1810 and started as a celebration for yet another royal wedding.

The Bavarian interpretation of bock had already achieved fame as a result of a 7.5 per cent double bock brewed by the monks of the Paulaner monastery in Munich. The beer was called Salvator or Holy Father. When the monastery was secularised in the 19th century, the new commercial owner of the beer started to sell it with such vigour that other Munich brewers produced their own versions of double bock under such names as Kulminator and

Triumphator. I once asked the head brewer at Löwenbräu why he called it Triumphator – with the emphasis on the second syllable – and he replied by blowing a raspberry with his lips. Very blunt, the Bavarians.

Bock beers vary in strength and colour, though by law they must be between 6 and 8 per cent ABV. While a Lenten bock is chestnut coloured, a Maibock quite rightly celebrates the arrival of spring with a tempting bronze hue. Sadly, the March beers brewed for the Oktoberfest are now hard to find and have been replaced by festival beers that have been lagered or stored for shorter periods.

The style is not confined to Bavaria. In Einbeck, the Einbecker Brauhaus flies the flag with a 6.9 per cent beer called – pointedly – Ur-Bock or Original Bock. Americans of German stock have a number of bock beers of which the best known is a mouthful in every way: Hübsch Sudwerk Privatbrauerei Doppelbock (7.1 per cent) from Davis in California. Sudwerk is German for brewhouse and has given Americans the slang 'suds' for beer.

One of the most famous beers in the world, Samichlaus, is a bock and weighs in at 14 per cent. It was first brewed in Switzerland and has since moved to Eggenberg in Austria. The name means Santa Claus and the beer is brewed every year on 6 December and stored for nine or 10 months. That's what I call lagering. There's even a British bock. St Austell makes a Cornish Bock (6.5 per cent) with German and Czech hops. It's released in the spring, making it a Cornish Maibock. It comes with a billy goat on the label.

That's what I call brewing to style.

From "Beer" the Free Quarterly Magazine for CAMRA Members

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Just a bit different this issue:

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The Questions Are:

- A) How many tiles are in the double twelve set?
- B) How many dots in total?
- C) What's the largest score you can make with one drop in 5 & 3's?

As usual, please send your answers, who you are, your address, and you **must state that you are 18 or over**, and where you would like to drink your tenners worth of beer.

Send your answers to me "Jeff Harrison" by post, text or email, all my details are on page 24.

Entries should be no later than 23rd July 2012, and will be entered into a draw to take place the next day.

Good Luck...

Last Issues Answer This was the **Fountain Inn** at Ingbirchworth, The pub is open and offer real ales and good food, so well worth a trip out.

The winner was **Mrs M Greatorex** of Greenfoot Lane, Barnsley. Mrs Greatorex and her husband will be drinking the £10 worth of beer at the Miners Rest, Old Town where they play bowls.

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Saturday 2nd June

A visit to 1st Great Houghton Beer Festival at the Old Hall. Catch the 219 bus at 11.55 We will be judging for Champion Beer of Great Houghton.

Wednesday 6th June

Survey social of Kendray and Worsbrough Dale. We meet in the Ashfield Club at 7:45pm. Catch 226 bus at 7:35pm or 6 at 7:38pm. We leave the Ashfield at 8pm.

Monday 18th June

Beer Festival Meeting at the Fitzwilliam Arms, Elsecar. Starts at 8pm

Saturday 23rd June

Barnsley CAMRA presents its first Cider Pub of the Year to the Anglers Rest, Wombwell. The award will be presented at around 9pm. Catch the 226 bus at 7:35pm or 229 at 7:50pm

Tuesday 26th June

Branch meeting and Social at Shaw Lane Sports Club. Meeting starts at 8pm.

Wednesday 4th July

Survey social of Monk Bretton and Carlton. Meet at the Full House catch the 7:30pm 59a and meet at the pub at 7:45pm. Alight at Tennyson Road.

Friday 6th July

Barnsley CAMRA presentation night for Pub of the Year. This is to the Old No 7 in Barnsley. The presentation will be made during the pub's second real ale and cider festival and will be awarded at around 9pm.

Sunday 8th July

The gauntlet has been thrown down by Rotherham CAMRA after Barnsley CAMRA were shamefully defeated at Croquet in 2010. We have accepted the challenge of Rounders. All we need now is a team to beat Rotherham. The venue is the George and Dragon at Wentworth and we kick off at 2pm. Please contact Margaret if you would like your name on our team.

Friday 20th July

Barnsley CAMRA Club of the Year Award. Presented to Wortley Club. The presentation will be around 9pm. Mini bus arrangements are being made to get us there. Pick up at Old No 7 at 7:15pm. Return to town centre for 10:30pm. If you would like a seat please ring Margaret. Return fare is £4

Monday 23rd July

Beer Festival Meeting at the Crown Inn, Elsecar. Starts at 8pm

Tuesday 31st July

Branch meeting followed by social at Keel Inn, Canal Street. Barnsley. Meeting starts at 8pm.

Wednesday 1st August

Back off to the Anglers Rest, Wombwell to Celebrate Yorkshire Day. Anytime from 5pm onwards.



Friday 17th August

Pub of the Season presentation to Hoylandswaine Social Club made around 8:30pm. If the weather is good there are lovely vistas from outside on the seating area. Catch the 92 Tates Travel at 6:30pm. Return bus is at 9:45pm.

Monday 20th August

Beer Festival Meeting at the Milton Arms, Elsecar. Starts at 8pm

Tuesday 28th August

Branch meeting and social at the Black Bull Stairfoot. Catch bus 226 at 7:35pm. Meeting starts at 8pm.

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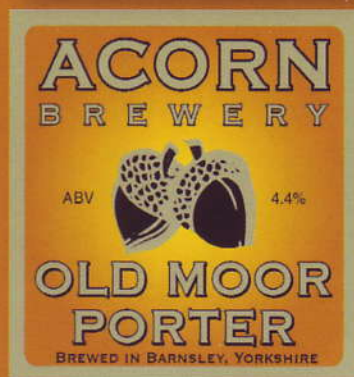
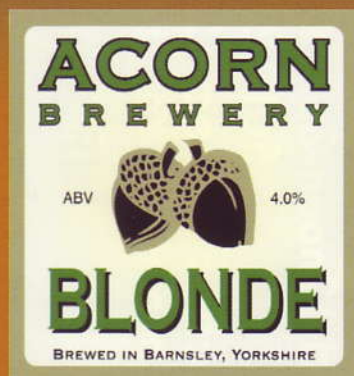
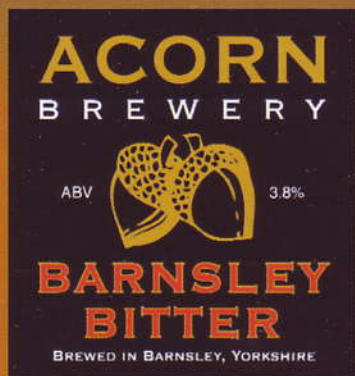
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