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## Pub and Club of the Year 2006

To find a good pub and club out of the 300 or so in and around Barnsley is not too big a challenge, come on you are probably sat in your favourite right now. However to find a great pub and club, say one where you were only calling in for a drink but you cancel your plans and stay for another, is quite another story.

Our judging team at Barnsley CAMRA do tend to go that one step further. All year round we are looking for Pubs and Clubs where not only is the beer so good that you want to stay, but beer comes in full pints, topped up without asking or in a lined glass, and where friendly considerate staff treat each customer as equal as the next. As well as this we look for them to be clean and possibly offer things like a warming fire during the winter months and outside areas for the summer.

So who is this years Barnsley CAMRA Pub and Club of the year for 2006? Read the full details on pages 3 and 5...

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# SOCIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

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## Saturday 10th June

Commitment to Real Ale Award to Dave Wright and Sue Benson at the Market Hotel Elsecar. Catch the 227 bus from Barnsley at 7.30pm (See page 16)

## Saturday 17th June

Ossett Brewery visit. Meet at 9.45am at Barnsley train station. Book with Margaret

## Sunday 25th June

Pub of the Year presentation to the Dog and Partridge at Hazlehead, Flouch. Catch the 24 bus at 12 noon then the 1.28pm 269 bus from Langsett. Presentation at 3.30pm (See page 5)

## Tuesday 27th June

Branch meeting and social at the Hope Inn, Cundy Cross, 8pm start. Catch the 211 at 7.30pm or the 246 at 7.45pm

## Wednesday 5th July

Club of the Year presentation to the Darfield Cricket Club, presentation to be made about 9pm. Catch the X19 bus from Barnsley at 7.15pm or the 212 at 8.10pm (See page 3)

## Wednesday 12th July

Pub crawl and survey evening around Darfield. Starting at the Goldmine at 7.30pm. Catch the 7.10pm 212

## Tuesday 18th July

BAR distribution, Gatehouse 8pm. Pick up your copies of the August September Edition

## Saturday 22nd July

Day out around Stockport. Meet at Barnsley train station at 9.45am for the 10.01am train. £12.60 cheap day return

## Tuesday 25th July

Branch meeting and social at the Cherry Tree at High Hoyland. Catch the 235 bus at 7.20pm (note this bus leaves from Eldon St and not the bus station). Meeting starts at 8pm

The new Interchange is now well into phase two, they have demolished the bus stations and now you can see the base of the "Slug" Interchange taking shape. Most buses will leave the interim station until mid 2007 but note that buses from street stands are not shown on the departure screens. I.E. the 235 for High Hoyland.

Times were correct when going to print, however some bus times will change again on July 2nd and train times change on 11th June. These constant changes to timetables make forward planning of outings by public transport an awkward task.

Call Traveline on 01709 515151 before heading out. *Margaret Craft*

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# Club of the Year 2006 Darfield Cricket Club

Judges for Barnsley CAMRA Club of  
the Year have again been impressed  
with Darfield Cricket Clubs range and  
quality of the real ales on offer that it  
has been voted the winner for the  
2006 competition.

Again this is all down to the care and  
attention of club steward Frank  
Hoyland and wife Sharon who have  
been steward and stewardess here  
for 4 years.

The club has always served real ale  
in its 28-year history, however, 2 years ago,  
with backing from the committee, Frank  
increased the real ale choice to the  
members. Now the club has a rotating choice  
of 4 real ales (one more than last year) on  
offer and has offered well over 150 real ales  
in the last year all in oversized lined glasses.  
Membership in the last year has also slowly  
increased, as has the trade. Frank is  
insistent that the real ales are the biggest  
reason for this, "The members here have  
always enjoyed the real ales on offer and the  
new members and their guests are drinking  
the real ales too. We sell smooth and lager  
just like everyone else but you will always  
find someone in the club talking about the  
real ales, you don't get that with the keg  
stuff. The away cricket teams love coming  
here too, not sure if it's for the match or the



real ales though."  
Throughout May one of the hand pumps had  
a rotating mild. This offered, amongst others,  
Acorn Darkness 4.2%, Sarah Hughes Dark  
Ruby Mild 6% and Clarks Black Gold 4%.  
The club also offers food. Sharon spends  
most of the day in the kitchen on Saturdays  
and Sundays as well as Bank Holidays  
preparing hot and cold meals. Sunday lunch  
here is very popular.

Barnsley CAMRA branch secretary, Nigel  
Croft said, "This is great news for the club,  
winning the award a second time just proves  
what a wonderful place the club is to  
socialise and try excellent real ales."

Frank Hoyland said, "Having just received  
the Pub of the Season for Spring and now  
winning Club of the Year again it's just great  
and it is all thanks to the members who are  
drinking and enjoying the real ales.  
They are demanding the best and  
I think we are serving it to them!"  
Presentation for Barnsley CAMRA  
Club of the Year will be made at  
9pm on Wednesday 5th July. Call  
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*Nigel Croft*

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Pub of the Year 2006



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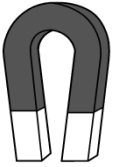
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# Pub of the Year 2006 Dog and Partridge

## Hazlehead - Flouch



The competition was hot for the Pub of the Year, with seven pubs getting into the shortlist. The judges who had just 6 weeks to return their votes left it to the very last, and even had an extension of a week to re-check. (I think this means the beer was good then, and they just wanted more... ED). So the winner is one of our most recent Pub of the Season winners and is one of the outskirt pubs, situated west of Barnsley just inside the Peak District National Park. Congratulations go to Stephen and Audrey Marsh at the Dog and Partridge, Hazlehead – Flouch.

The Dog and Partridge is an old coaching Inn set in the high moorland countryside, just below the east side of Woodhead Pass, this 15<sup>th</sup> century inn has now been improved by adding 12 guest rooms one of which is a ground floor room which accommodates for disabled visitors. The extension to the rear is also very popular with families. It is the last pub when leaving Barnsley heading for Manchester and is located on the A628 about a mile and a half from Flouch roundabout, or a 25-minute walk off the 23 or 24 buses.

The heart of the pub is the old original coaching inn; this has the main bar and a warming large real fire during the cold winter months, and stone flagged floors. The bar offers four real ales, which are usually rotating with locally produced beers. Stephen and Audrey have been in the Dog and Partridge for five years and have been entered into the Good Beer Guide for three years in succession. Barnsley CAMRA branch secretary, Nigel Croft said, "The warm and friendly atmosphere you get when you come into the pub stays throughout your visit and is so genuine it leaves you wanting to call back for more. And that's before you even get to

drink a pint. The changes to the pub over the years have only improved the visitor experience and with four real ales on offer all in excellent condition I only wish I lived next door, which would be about a mile away."

Stephen said, "We are delighted that CAMRA reached out as far as here, and has named the Dog and Partridge, Barnsley's best pub for 2006. Audrey and I would like to thank all our staff for their help. We'd also like to say a thank you to our customers, both the regulars and our passing visitors of maybe once a year without these people we wouldn't be here winning awards".

The presentation for Pub of the Year 2006 will be made on Sunday 25th June at about 3:30pm. We will be catching the 12 noon number 24 bus to Langsett then the 1:28pm number 269 bus to the pub. Hope to see you there.



Above is Stephen (left) and Audrey Marsh receiving their award for Pub of the Season Winter 2005/2006 presented by chair Eric Gilbert.

The runners up for this years Pub of the Year were (in no particular order) The Keel Inn, and the Gatehouse, Barnsley; the Market, Elsecar; the Huntsman, Thurlstone; the Cock Inn, Birdwell and the Ring O'Bells, Silkstone. All the pubs mentioned served excellent beers when the judges called in.

*Nigel Croft*

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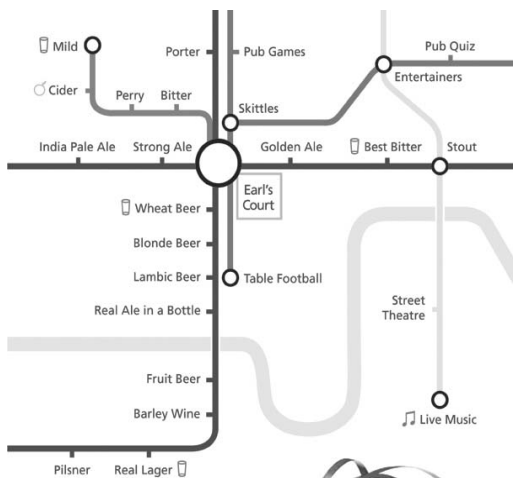
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## Pub & Club News

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The **Fountain Inn** at Ingbirchworth should now be re-open after a major refurbishment and so should the **Wentworth Arms** at Mapplewell. **Farm Road Social Club** is offering its members Acorn Barnsley Bitter. The **Thawleys** at Wombwell is doing well with the guest beers, recently beers from E & S Elland have been available alongside the Acorn beers. Work to refurbish the **Wortley Arms** at Wortley is ongoing but slowly, the development is awaiting a possible grant approval.

Brad has left the **Elephant and Castle** at Hemingfield, Brad is a very enthusiastic character who welcomed in every customer. During his years at the Elephant and Castle the pub picked up Pub of the Season Awards for Spring and Autumn 2000. No other pub in the Barnsley area has managed two season awards in the same year. Barnsley CAMRA wish Brad the very best for the future in his new ventures. We also wish the new licensees at the pub the very best, Brad will be a hard act to follow.

The **Wentworth Arms**, Penistone has had some wonderful guest beers on over the last month, including the excellent Marstons Merry Monk. The **Darfield Cricket Club** and the **Cock Inn** at Birdwell will both be holding beer festivals during August. The Cricket Club will have around 20 real ales and runs from 17th to 20th August while the Cock Inn will also have around 20 real ales and runs the bank holiday weekend from 25th to 28th August. Barnsley CAMRA will have special membership offers on at both events. Bring yourselves and friends along for some summer fun.

*Nigel Croft*



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## Brewery News

### Acorn Brewery

The brewery, which was set up in July 2003 has just brewed its MILLIONTH pint. The "MILLIONTH PINT" milestone was reached whilst brewing ST Georges Best 4.6% ABV, a St Georges Day special brewed using Maris Otter, crystal, roast barley and WGV hops. The brewery is brewing to its maximum capacity yet will still be offering seasonal specials like Lions Roar 4.2% abv for the World Cup, as well as its flagship beers Barnsley Bitter and Old Moor Porter.

### H.B.Clarks

A beer for the World Cup is out in June, Rooney's XXXXXX Ale, a very pale ale with bags of hops and grapefruit aroma with an extra "kick" ABV 4.6%. And for July sees Bursting Nectar "Grab your pint, this is a must", A straw coloured beer with malt and hop flavours, fruity and slightly spicy. Don't

forget that Classic Blonde 3.9% will also be available amongst the other regular brews.

### Kelham Island

Brooklyn Smoked Porter that was brewed in conjunction with the American Brewmaster Garrett Oliver scooped the overall Beer of the Festival 2006 award at the Bradford CAMRA beer festival. Head brewer Stuart Ross was at the presentation evening to collect the award. He also collected an award on behalf of the sister Brewery - Thornbridge who won in the Extra Strong category with St Petersburg Imperial Stout 7.7%! A charity beer "Hot Metal" 4.1% is now available, the proceeds of the sale go to the Cavendish Centre, a Sheffield based charity that has helped thousands of Yorkshire people and their families since it opened in 1992, providing help and support to cancer patients.

*Nigel Croft*

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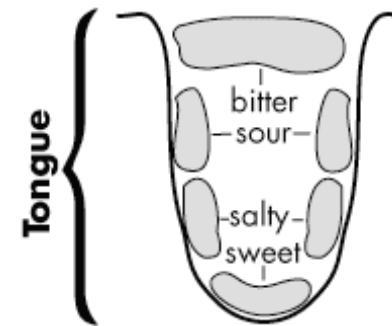
# HOW TO TASTE YOUR BEER

Everyone knows how to taste beer, right? Pick up your glass and knock it back ... But if you want to appreciate the flavours that make up our favourite brews, there are finer points to keep in mind. The first point is that we drink beer because we enjoy it. Many people will tell you they don't like beer, or they only like one brand. But with the range of flavours now being offered around our local pubs, there is a beer that almost everyone will enjoy. Not everyone enjoys every beer, but every beer is brewed because someone enjoys it. By learning to appreciate more beers, we appreciate beer more.

Secondly, taste is a subjective experience. Like any sensory stimulus, it is experienced differently by different people. What tastes refreshingly crisp to one person may be mouth-puckering bitter to another. Other factors affect perception, as well. Depending on circumstances, an individual will perceive the same stimulus differently - a stout that is rich and creamy on a cold winters' evening may seem thick and cloying on a summer afternoon.

Finally, taste is not a single sense, but a complex interaction of various sensations including sights, odours and flavours. Most people think of flavour as the same as taste, but that is just one component. All of these should be considered when tasting beer. Flavours are made up of four basic flavours, just as colours are made up of primary colours. These four basic flavours (sour, sweet, salt and bitter) are experienced on different parts of the tongue. Sweet is tasted at the tip of the tongue, salt is on the sides toward the front, sour on the rear sides and bitterness from the back of the tongue and the roof of the mouth. This is why tasters swish the beer around their mouths before

swallowing, to let all the parts of the tongue come in contact with the beer. How a beer is served will affect your perception of the beer. The glass should be clean and well rinsed. The temperature should be at what is known as cellar temperature (10°C-15°C, 40°F-50°F). Now lets taste some beer. First, look at it. Colour and clarity are the two first impressions, and both are dependent on the style of beer being tasted. Darker beers are often, though not always, stronger flavoured and heavier but some brewers use dark malts in light-tasting beers. Most beers are intended to be clear, but some wheat beers should have a cloudiness to them. A chill haze can make a beer cloudy, but disappears when the beer warms.



Smell the beer. It is largely the head that releases the odours of the beer. You will find such smells as malt, hops, caramel and fruit. OK, you have waited long enough. Have a drink of the beer, holding it in your mouth and swishing it around your tongue before swallowing. Are the flavours in balance? Is the

sweetness of the malt matched by bitterness from the hops? What taste sensations make up the flavour? Does the first impression change as you savour the beer, and does it leave a pleasant aftertaste or finish? Have another drink and do the same again. Some beers take a couple swallows to fully experience all the flavours. How does the beer feel in your mouth? Thick or thin, creamy or cloying? Fizzy, flat, or zestfully effervescent?

Now take another drink. Lean back in your chair as you swallow. Fix your gaze on the middle distance, have another drink and reflect that you're not just drinking beer, you're TASTING beer.

Cheers...

# On The Buses

By Reg Varney  
By Laurence Mace

Barnsley to Rotherham bus route number 227 links an excellent range of real ale houses, quite a few of which feature in this year's CAMRA Good Beer Guide (GBG). The recommended ticket for this crawl would be a Tracky Day Tripper still only £3.50, (this ticket is only valid on Yorkshire Traction & Barnsley and District services, however this can be confusing as they are all being Stagecoach branded. Other tickets are available. Phone Traveline on 01709 515151 for information.

Start your crawl at the nearest good pub to the stand D2 in Barnsley's "Interim Transport Interchange" or (bus station as they used to call it): the **Gatehouse** on Eldon Street, Opening only last summer - so not yet in the GBG - it has become the main real ale

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Don't forget the five-minute walk (or ten-minutes if the level crossing barriers are down) round the building site of the new £24 million bus station, "the slug" as it's been called, to get to your 227 departure at 30 minutes past the hour (35 minutes past on Sundays).

Literally first stop out of town is the **Outpost** on Sheffield Road, for Hardy Hanson's Kimberly Bitter, this is served on an electric pump so don't go looking for a handpump. Next pubs are the **Button Mill** at Worsbrough Bridge and **Edmunds Arms** in Worsbrough Village. The Button Mill usually has John





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Smiths Bitter, Magnet and a guest beer while the Edmunds Arms is a Sam Smiths outlet, so Old Brewery Bitter is the choice. The Edmunds Arms is in the GBG. Back on the bus for less than a mile and alight at the **Travellers**, Birdwell. Here you get John Smiths Magnet again – and a short walk brings you to the **Cock Inn** where you'll enjoy three handpulled beers that change regularly. The Cock Inn will be holding a Beer Festival August bank holiday weekend, more about this in next edition. Returning back to Sheffield Road the next 227 bus will drop you at Elsecar for the **Fitzwilliam Arms**, next to the train station. Here you have the choice of Tetley Bitter plus guest beers. You can then walk down hill calling in the **Crown Inn**, Tetley Cask and the **Milton Arms**, Stones Bitter and a guest beer before arriving at the **Market Hotel**. The Market offers Copper Dragon and Wentworth brewery beers plus a guest. Dave and his wife Susan will be awarded a "Commitment to Real Ale Award" on Saturday 10th June, see page 16 for more information. The Fitzwilliam and the Market are both in the GBG.

Leaving Barnsley CAMRA's patch we continue to the next village in Rotherham CAMRA's area, Wentworth. Two more GBG pubs either end of the village – only one bus stop apart! First is the **George and Dragon** with Taylor Landlord, Wentworth W.P.A. (Woppa) and guest beers, then the **Rockingham Arms** offering a choice of Theakston Best Bitter and Old Peculier plus Wentworth beers and guests. The next 227 service will then speed you through the first "desert" of no pubs onto Greasbrough for another GBG regular – the **Prince of Wales** and a choice of John Smiths Bitter and a guest ale. Catch another 227 through a second "desert" of no pubs (with real ale) on into Rotherham bus station and find two more GBG pubs, which sit back to back a short walk away along Wellgate. The **Hare and Hounds** sits on Wellgate itself and has Greene King Abbot Ale and a guest beer. Go up the side of this pub and you'll be at the back of the **Blue Coat**, a hidden Wetherspoons gem with a

huge variety of locally-sourced micro-brewery ales. Definitely a finish on a high. N.B. This crawl can just as easily be done in reverse, and the 227 leaves Rotherham at the same time as Barnsley. However, we always advise you to call Traveline on 01709 515151 for up to date information.

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Travellers Rest and Cock Inn (Birdwell)  
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Then you:

Sprinkle both sides of the chicken with the cumin. You may need a little more than 1/2 tsp.

Heat the oil in a large fry pan over a medium heat and sauté the chicken until golden brown and cooked thoroughly, about 5 to 7 minutes per side.

Remove the chicken from the pan and keep warm.

Add the garlic and shallots to the pan and sauté briefly.

Add the ale and cook to reduce slightly, about 5 minutes.

Add the cream and Worcestershire sauce and cook until syrupy, about 5 minutes.

Season with salt and pepper, to taste.

Spoon the sauce over the chicken, sprinkle with parsley and serve.

You need:

- 4 chicken fillets
- 1/2 tsp or more ground cumin
- 2 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1/4 minced (or finely chopped) garlic
- 1 tsp minced (or finely chopped) shallot
- 1 fluid ounce of amber ale
- 1 fluid ounce of single cream
- 2 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
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- Finely chopped parsley (optional garnish)

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Bramah, who was born in Stainbrough in 1749 and was the son of a farmer, invented the beer engine. He was the eldest of five children, and set for a life behind the plough. After a basic education, at the age of 16 he broke his ankle (then a serious injury), which made it impossible for him to continue farming. While confined at home he spent his time doing woodwork and it occurred to him that as he was now of no use on the farm he might become apprenticed to the village carpenter and by the time his apprenticeship was finished had acquired such skill that he determined to try his fortune in London.

Arriving there, having made the journey on foot despite his lameness, he then went from strength to strength and so did his inventions. He is best known for the Bramah Safety Lock, which he patented on 21st August 1784. He considered the lock 'unpickable' and offered £200 to the first person who could pick it. It was not until 1851 that the money was won by a skilled American locksmith and it took him 51 hours of manipulation using a variety of elaborate instruments.

Bramah's name is best remembered for this lock, his greatest legacy though was his

discovery and development of hydraulic power. Put to greatest use with his hydraulic press. The hydraulic press depends upon the well-known principle that water is almost incompressible. In this invention Bramah had the edge on competition with a self-tightening collar for the piston of the machine that rarely leaked. This work was undoubtedly the inspiration for the many pumps he invented, including of course, the most important one that he patented in 1795 - the beer pump.

In all, Bramah took out patents for over 20 inventions during his lifetime. These included rotary pumps for fire engines, a quill sharpener, and an improved printing machine which was eventually used for putting consecutive numbers on bank notes. He also made a hydrostatic press capable of removing trees and their roots. Whilst watching this machine working once, he caught cold, which developed into pneumonia, and he died at the age of 66.

He was undoubtedly an engineering genius of his day, but did he drink beer? As a Barnsley lad I bet he sank a beer, or four. I have found no better method for serving real ale than through a beer engine. I for one will raise a pint in honour of Joseph Bramah, the inventor of the beer engine, a simple marvel that has remained basically unchanged for over 200 years.

*Jeremy Sykes*

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**August 25th to 28th** - Summer Beer Festival at the Cock Inn, Birdwell.

**August 26th** - CAMRA Sponsored Walk in aid of Pathways, Thurlstone to Cawthorne. (See page 15)

**September 28th to 30th** - Keighley CAMRA Beer Festival Victoria Hall.

**September 28th to 30th** - Sheffield CAMRA Beer Festival St Phillips Social Club.

**October 12th to 14th** - Wakefield CAMRA Beer Festival, Light Waves Leisure Centre.

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## Pub of the Season Spring 2006

Frank and Sharon Hoyland (left and centre) were awarded the Pub of the Season for Spring 2006 to the Darfield Cricket Club. Making the presentation, Eric Gilbert (right) said "Winning the Pub of the Season is quite an achievement, even

more so when you are a Club". He went on to say that the real ales served to the members of the club are always in excellent condition and wished the club more success for the future. See page 3 for Club of the Year Award 2006.



# Commitment to Real Ale Award

When Dave and Sue took over the Market Hotel, Elsecar about 5 years ago the pub served a couple of real ales, these were drinkable and CAMRA didn't think any more about it. However, Dave was keen to change things and soon joined (got coerced into) CAMRA and started to ask his customers what beers they would like to try. One thing led to another and before long the guest beers started changing over night. Regulars to the pub were loving it. Barnsley CAMRA were calling in now and again (but never as often as landlords would like) and try a pint or four and before long Dave and Sue were awarded Pub of the Season for Autumn 2004. Since then Dave and Sue have gone from strength to strength with their offerings to the

locals and visitors to the Market, but were just getting pipped to the post for winning another award.

Now Dave and Sue are soon to leave the Market, but they will be serving beers in other pubs but only covering while licensees take a break.

Barnsley CAMRA feel that their achievements here should not go without a big thank you, and we have a Commitment to Real Ale Award. This award has only been awarded twice and now we feel that it should be awarded again. So on **Saturday 10th June** at about 9pm the award will be presented to Dave and Sue for their hard work and commitment to serving good quality real ale. This award is portable and can be displayed in any pub they run which serves real ale.

*Nigel Croft*

Is your pint short? Then ask for a top up. Still short? See page 22 - Page 16

# My Trip To Cains Brewery

In March I was fortunate to be invited to the Cains brewery in Liverpool as guests of the charming and enthusiastic Sudarghara and Ajmail Dusanj, the joint Managing Directors. It was wonderful to meet two positive beer lovers who are trying to build up a brewery that had gone a long way downhill since its heyday as Higsons. Housed in a truly magnificent edifice overlooking the River Mersey they have built up a range of real ales, they had eight on tap plus real handpulled lager.

The brewery is situated on a ten acre site and, unlike most breweries has masses of space to play with. When they took over the then failing brewery from a Danish company four years ago they owned no pubs. Now they own eleven and they have turned a loss of £2 million into a profit of £80,000. With so many regional brewers of this size closing, few beer lovers held much hope of ever seeing real ale produced there again when the Higsons brand was moved out many years ago. Higsons once had a Sheffield pub in Fitzalan Square, Sheffield until it was demolished for road widening in the 1970s and in those days they had a few devotees in South Yorkshire.

Now that has gone we should all be delighted with the range of Cains ales which include an IPA, Three Hop, FA (Formidable Ale) and Raisin Beer. Thanks to a £1 million sponsorship deal they also brew 2008, the official beer for Liverpool's year in 2008 as the Cultural Capital of Europe.

Apart from the wonderful tasty, and vastly different array of beers, one of the most pleasing aspects of talking to Sudarghara and Ajmail was their constant reference to the fact they were there for the long term. All the planning was aimed a strong long term growth of the brewery and the beers. What a refreshing contrast to the pub chains whose only decision making is to seek short term profit.

Sudarghara and Ajmail, who have come a long way since starting out with a small chin of fish and chip shops in Kent. For the sake of real ale in Britain let's hope that they continue to grow their brands and that their beers become more widely available in our area.

*From Sheffield Beer Matters  
Dave Wickett*

# E & S Elland Brewery Tour

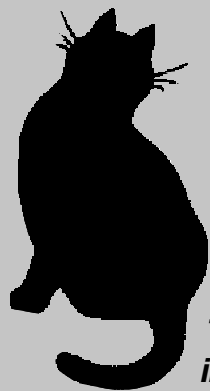
One Saturday morning in late April a small bunch of Barnsley CAMRA members headed off to Elland in West Yorkshire. We were heading for the E&S brewery for a tour and a few samples. The itinerary changed, it was more than a few samples and a short tour. I didn't hear any complaints...



Dragged away from the beer for a picture outside the brewery.

After lunch at the Barge and Barrel in Elland we headed off to Halifax for a couple more drinks in the Pump Room and the Three Pigeons. Then it was off to Sowerby Bridge and into the Ram's Head, then the Navigation, the Puzzle Hall Inn and the Works. All this was done with a West Yorkshire Day Rover and a cheap day return to Darton...

Thanks to Martin, Bob and Helen...



# The Devonshire Cat

*Devonshire Green  
Sheffield*

**The Devonshire Cat is a completely independent pub offering an enormous range of interesting beers; we hope you will experiment with many different styles and flavours available. Some you will love, others you may not, but finding those you love is part of the fun**



#### 12 Real Ales on at All Times:

- 7 Guest Ales
- 5 Permanent - The Devonshire Cat Best Bitter, Caledonian Deuchars IPA, 2 Abbeydale beers and Theakston Old Peculier.



#### 12 Continental Draught Beers:

- Including Erdinger, Liefmans Frambozen, Fruli, Leffe, San Miguel, Amstel and Warsteiner and a guest Belgian Beer. We are now the only pub in Sheffield to sell Paulaner Wheat Beer on Draught!



#### 100+ Bottled Beers from Around the World:

- Belgium, Germany, Czech Republic, Britain, USA, Austria, Australia, Corsica, China, Indonesia, Italy, Kenya, Mexico, Sri Lanka and Thailand.



#### Traditional Cider Straight from the Barrel:

- We sell 2 guest Saxon Ciders. They are similar to Scrumpy cider with something extra as they are brewed by an Italian who has added his own style to the ciders.



#### Homemade Food Served Until 8pm Everyday:

- We take as much pride in our food as we do in our beer. All our food is prepared on the premises, not pre-packaged like all the pub chains. Here at The Devonshire Cat we believe that the best thing to accompany a great meal is a great beer, so each item on the menu has a recommended beer.

**The Devonshire Cat - 49 Wellington Street, Sheffield S1 4HG**



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# Gatehouse Festival

Back in February the Gatehouse in Barnsley town centre offered around twenty real ales to hundreds of visitors during its first beer festival.

But setting up the festival was not all easy running. The week before the stillage (shelves for beer) was put into place, glasses started to crash to the ground and beers in the cellar were shaking. Not a spirit, or ghost like other pubs would clam... but a dragon... (Well that's what the wife calls them.) These dragons had just started to demolish the bus station. The vibrations were literally shaking the pub. Robert Rudge the landlord at the Gatehouse went out to the fence surrounding the bus station and started waving his white flag. Robert was told that the bus station was going to be demolished during the week leading up to the festival, after negotiations and explaining that real ales would be ruined by the demolition going off outside, the transport interchange people successfully delayed the demolition for a week.

The Gatehouse Beer Festival which was run during CAMRA's national pubs week was a huge success.

The festival also raised money for one of Roberts well loved charities, the PDSA. Over £400 was raised over the weekend and Robert would like to thank every individual person who bought a raffle or tombola ticket.

The Gatehouse offers up to six real ales and food both lunchtimes and early evenings see their advert on page 10.



Robert with the beer stillage

# Sponsored Walk 2006

This years sponsored walk for the Pathways centre will take place on Saturday 26th August.

We will be meeting at the Huntsman, Thurlstone at 11am using the No 21 bus at 10:15 from Barnsley to get there and start leaving from 11.45am and finish at the Spencer Arms at Cawthorne at about 5 to 5.30pm.

The walk will take us to Penistone, Oxpring, Silkstone Common, Silkstone and Cawthorne. The idea is to call at many of the pubs on route.

The walk (OK pub crawl) has been very popular over the last few years and we are expecting a good turn-out again this

year, with this in mind we would like to ask people to register before the walk takes place. However you will be able to turn up on the day without any problems.

Register your name, address and mobile telephone number (if you have one) with Margaret Croft (see page 26) A.S.A.P. and details of the walk along with sponsor forms will be sent to you as soon as they are available. You will also be able to register on line and information will be emailed to you when you register.

The walk is for fun, and to raise money for the Pathways Centre here in Barnsley. You can do the whole walk or if you prefer just part of it.