



NOTTINGHAM CAMRA BRANCH INFORMATION

AUGUST 2007 BRANCH MEETING

It is intended that at each Branch meeting these information notes will be supplied, keeping you informed over the issues that are being addressed by Nottingham CAMRA.

LocAle

The East Midlands CAMRA branches have been provided with guidance notes on the LocAle scheme. Pubs in the Erewash Valley and Belvoir Branches have been added to the expanding list of Nottingham pubs operating the scheme. Mansfield & Ashfield CAMRA used LocAle as a feature at the Moorgreen Festival which took place over the August Bank Holiday and was again successfully, selling out of beers and cider late on the Monday.

NOTTINGHAM DRINKER

Following the decision of David Mason to step down from his post as editor of ND a new editorial team has been appointed. The team led by Spyke Golding will include Steve Armstrong and Steve Westby. Arrangements are also being made for the typesetting to be undertaken by an external company. It brings into focus the amount of effort David put into making ND such a brilliant magazine and that it will be a very hard act to follow.

BEER CENSUS

The Beer census is to take place on Saturday 29th September. Routes are being finalised and teams of dedicated drinkers will be asked to join in this fun event which does have a serious side in that the extent and range of cask beer available in the Nottingham area on a single night will be determined.

NATIONAL BEER SCORING SYSTEM

The on-line version of the National Beer Scoring System has been successfully running for eight months. NBSS on-line allows CAMRA members to enter beer scores without having to fill in cards, although the cards will still be available for those not on-line.

Registering on the site is simply a matter of entering your CAMRA membership number. A password (which you may change) will then be emailed to you. The site is very easy to use and you can submit scores for the whole of the UK right away.

NATIONAL GOOD BEER GUIDE

The Good Beer Guide 2008 is due to be released on Wednesday September 12th. This is the 35th edition of the guide since it was first published in 1974.

LOCAL BEER FESTIVALS

Sat 1 Sept – Sun 2: Glossop Victorian Weekend Beer Festival, Glossop Labour Club, Chapel Street, Glossop, 25+ beers

Thur 6 Sept – Sun 9 July - Sun 22: Criterion Beer Festival, Millstone Lane, Leicester, featuring beers from Surrey and London

Thur 6 Sept – Sat 8: Smithfest, Smithfield, Meadow Rd, Derby www.thesmithfield.co.uk

Thur 6 Sept – Sat 8: 14th Tamworth Beer Festival, Assembly Rooms, Corporation Street 100+ beers, cider, perry & foreign bottled beers, food, music Fri & Sat eves www.last-orders-camra.org.uk/beerfestival.htm

Fri 7 Sept – Sun 9: Gladstone Beer festival, Loscoe Road, Carrington, 20+ Beers, Barbecue Sat & Sun

Fri 7 Sept – Sun 9: Grantham Beer Festival, Lord Harrowby Dudley Road, 25 Ales (subject to availability), Cider and Perry, Food Available. Open Fri 4-11pm, Sat 11am-11pm, Sun noon-Close

Thur 13 Sept – Sat 15: Birmingham Beer Festival, Aston Students Guild Aston University Campus Gosta Green
Beers, cider and perry, imported bottled beers, food, live entertainment from 8pm Thu + Fri eves, open noon-11pm.

Fri 14 Sept – Sat 15: Melton Mowbray Beer Festival, Cattle Market, Scalford Rd, 50+ beers, cider, food, live music Fri + Sat

Thur 20 Sept - Sun 23: Royal Oak Beer Festival, Watnall. Approx 20 beers + cider 'Festival in the Cabin'

Thur 20 Sept - Sat 22: Burton Beer Festival, King Edward Place, Burton on Trent 5 minutes from Railway Station, 100+ Cask Ales from around Britain & Irish Republic, cider, perry, country wines and foreign bottled beers, food, entertainment Friday & Saturday lunch and evening. available. Music in only one of two halls. Thur 7-11; Fri 12-4 & 6.30-11; Saturday 11.30-11

Thur 20 Sept - Sat 22: North Notts Dukeries Beer Festival, Worksop Town Hall, Ceres Suite, Queen Building, Potter St, 50 beers, Cider, Perry & Fruit Wines www.camra.org.uk/nnotts

Thur 18 Oct - Sun 21: Nottingham CAMRA 31st Beer and Cider Festival, Victoria Leisure Centre, Gedling Street, Sneinton (10-15 minute walk from either Bus stations or railway station); 8 minutes from Tram Stop (Lace market) over 400 real ales in total, plus ciders, parries & country wines. Around 300 beers will go on sale at opening on the Thursday and then an additional 100 different beers will be added at opening time on Saturday. All Day opening Thurs & Fri 11-11, and Saturday (earlybird start) 10-11, Sunday 12-3. Card carrying CAMRA Members free admission to all sessions. www.nottinghamcamra.org for further details

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