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**In the Sticks**

**May 2012**

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Welcome to the latest issue of "In the Sticks" the newsletter of RuRAD, Rural Real Ale Drinkers. We hope you enjoy reading it.

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The weekend Stable Bar at the Red Lion at Fritchley has a couple of upcoming events in the next month worth mentioning. On 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> May there is a mini beer festival with a meet the brewer night on the Saturday from 6pm featuring beers from Full Mash, Wentwell, Marlpool & Worthington. Also on 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June there is a Diamond Jubilee Festival with lots of beer, a hog roast and live music

The situation at The Bear at Alderwasley remains unchanged with the pub open as usual with a full range of real ales available but still in the hands of the administrators

As mentioned in last month's newsletter the 3 extra hand pumps in the Five Lamps, Derby have been installed and commissioned and are being used to promote beers from different breweries. The chosen brewery for April/May has been Titanic and on my visit Captain Smith's 5.2%, Commemorative Ale 4.8% and Iceberg 4.1% were available, future Breweries to feature include Jullian Church, Shottle Gate & Brampton. Of course you still have your Buxton, Peak Ales, Muirhouse, Raw and local Derby brews to choose from as well

The freehold and contents of the Bentley Brook Hotel at Fenny Bentley are up for sale at a price of £1,250,000

Richard & Sue at the Sun Inn, Gotham are planning a beer festival from 1st to the 5th June which will include 20 ales & 8 ciders with bands on Friday, Saturday & Sunday there will also be a marquee and hog roast

Tracy and all the staff welcome you to the

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### Amber Valley CAMRA Update

12<sup>th</sup> - Beer survey trip to Broadholme / Ambergate / Bullbridge / Fritchley, minibus leaves Ripley Market Place 7:30pm contact Jane Wallis to book. May 17<sup>th</sup> - Beer Festival Meeting Thorn Tree Waingroves 8pm start. May 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> - mild month crawls, contact Trevor Spencer 07758 265 915 for details. May 31<sup>st</sup> - Branch Meeting Pear Tree, Ripley 8:30pm start. June 4<sup>th</sup> - Walking survey of Belper, meet Cross Keys 12noon. Social Sec Jane Wallis 01773 745966

Ashover cider, a medium dry at 6.5%, has proved very popular at the Poets Corner in Ashover.

The demand is that great Michelle Rafter & Michael Philbin, who are the driving force behind Ashover cider have decided to increase the next batch of cider greatly. Further plans include a Raspberry type cider

To follow up their recent Dancing Duck weekend where a full range of this brewery's ales were on sale Mark at the Hunters Arms, Kilburn aims to follow this with a beer festival from the 1st to 5th of June, which is to coincide with the launching of his cask ale room called the Slaughterhouse, which will be open Friday & Saturday 4 - 11 and Sunday 4 - 8

Stefan from the Queens Head at Marlpool and the General Havelock in Ilkeston is planning to get a range of Brodies ales and is always looking to bring new & different beers to this area, he already has Magic Rock, Hawkshead, and Mallinsons on a regular basis

During April there were some interesting ales at the RuRAD Bar which included Craddocks Crest, Medieval Crusader, Captain Pugwash - Raw, and waiting to come on beer from Elland, Kingstone. Old Claw Foot and 2 beers from local Ilkeston brewer North Star

Darren and all the staff welcome you to  
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### Beer and Pub News

Last month we mistakenly printed that Dave Mountford had left the Rising Sun at Middleton by Wirksworth to take over the Boat at Cromford when in fact he is running both pubs. Our sincere apologies go to Dave for any confusion and inconvenience this caused

Due to the unexpected extension of Paul Needham's stay at the Unicorn, Newton Solney there will be another beer festival 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> July held in conjunction with the Brickmakers Arms across the road. There will be 50+ ales plus the usual array of food and entertainment

The Waggon & Horses in Alfreton will be having a "featured brewery weekend" at the end of each month, which will showcase 5 ales from a single brewery. April's featured brewery was Falstaff from Derby, and May will see the highly acclaimed Welbeck Abbey Brewery on the bar!! As an added bonus, Claire Monk (Head Brewer from Welbeck Abbey) will be in attendance on Thursday 24th May for a "Meet The Brewer" event - See you there!

The Green Man at Ashbourne, which went up for auction on April 18<sup>th</sup> failed to attract a single bidder even at a reserve price of £550,000

## The Bell

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1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> of June

Opening hours:  
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BBQ Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Also bouncy castle

Bramley Street Cider Co from Somercotes are launching a 6.3% light dry cider called Scrimpy at the Corner Pin, Westwood beer festival 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> May

Paul & Lyn welcome you to the

## **WHITE POST**

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0115 930 0194

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### Brewery News

#### Amber Ales-Ripley

[www.Amberales.co.uk](http://www.Amberales.co.uk)

AMBERFEST: yes the news you have been eagerly awaiting - our summer 'iss up in the brewery is planned for 29th/30th June. There are some stunning ales and collaborations planned. Don't forget you can enjoy a pint or two of our beers at the brewery tap - the **Talbot Taphouse**, 1 Butterley Hill Ripley DE5 3LT (01773 742626) or at a local near you. Email us to find out where we are featuring or come up to the beer festivals. OFF SALES: all the above beers are available in bottle or 'beer in a box' to takeaway to accompany your BBQ, make your party go with a swing and they are, of course your essential holiday packing

#### Ashover-Ashover

[www.ashoverbrewery.co.uk](http://www.ashoverbrewery.co.uk)

Ashover won a silver award at the B.O.T beer festival with Hydro. They also plan to bottle all beers over 5% starting with Moscow Imperial Stout, which has been aged for 6 months

#### Black Iris-Derby

[www.blackirisbrewery.co.uk](http://www.blackirisbrewery.co.uk)

There is a new brew available called White Fang 4.2% which is an extremely pale coloured refreshing ale which in my opinion is their best beer to date and judging by how fast it sold out others are of the same opinion

#### Coppice Side-Heanor

[www.coppicesidebrewery.com](http://www.coppicesidebrewery.com)

The latest beer to appear from this brewery is Louis Martin, a mild in the low 4% range

#### Leadmill-Denby

[www.leadmillbrewery.co.uk](http://www.leadmillbrewery.co.uk)

Over the weekend of 20<sup>th</sup> April a new beer appeared at the RuRAD bar, this was called Strange Little Girl at 6.5%

#### Marlpool-Marlpool

[www.marlpoolbrewing.co.uk](http://www.marlpoolbrewing.co.uk)

The new Fermenter is now in use and the

first brew was a mild for May

#### Naked Brewer-Westwood

Sarah has brewed a beer with Pete from Amber Ales called Revolution, which appeared at the Talbot Tap beer festival at the Easter weekend

#### North Star-Ilkeston

Brewing has commenced at there purpose built brewery in Ilkeston so their beers should be more widely available very soon

#### Wirksworth-Wirksworth

[www.wirksworthbrewery.com](http://www.wirksworthbrewery.com)

The second of the Wirksworth special beers produced by Jeff is now available to buy as a take away at weekends or in cask form, it is called Nugget Special 4.7% and is described as a chestnut coloured strong bitter and will be available at this month's Barrow Hill beer festival as well as other select outlets

Nicky & Pete Foster  
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#### Del & Rod's Real Ale Rambles

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> saw our walk start from Colliers Wood car park at Moorgreen. After heading off in completely the wrong direction we got back on route and took the path past Moorgreen reservoir, through Morning Springs (as we approached the M1 it sounded like someone was having a party under it!) and up to Misk Hill before descending to Hucknall. Our first port of call was the **Red Lion** and the looks we got as we walked in led me to believe they don't get many walkers in, which was confirmed when a chap at the bar asked if we were lost (we weren't lost but that doesn't mean we weren't in the wrong place). As we sat and drank our halves of GK IPA I realised I'd got the wrong pub (wrong animal, wrong colour), we only prolonged our stay because it was absolutely slinging it down outside. Just down the road was the JDW **Pilgrim Oak**, which had Mauldons Black Adder and Oldershaws Old Boy alongside the usual

ramble. After getting directions from a local we go to the target pub, the **Green Dragon** (see what I mean? Wrong animal, wrong colour!) a much better hostelry offering Pedit. Holt IPA, Brains SA, St Austell Tribute, Cumberland and McMullen Country Bitter. On the way back we tried to fashion a short cut by using an disused track bed but it was more trouble than it was worth as Del took a tumble down the embankment (I'm considering employing a stunt double for our walks, he is getting far to old for that sort of shenanigans) and we ended up having to get back on to the road anyway

Clare welcomes you to the  
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Recent places that have impressed have been **Moca** at **Matlock**, which is a trendy bar but has 4 real ales on offer, usually including Dancing Duck, Blue Monkey and Abbeydale. Worth a visit in a rather barren area for real ale. The **Gate** at **Awsorth** has an excellent selection of around 8 changing ales all from independent breweries. Off the beaten track but with good beer and a friendly atmosphere- Chris P Duck

How often do you pass by pubs, with little time to call, but wonder what they are like inside? Having been to **Belper "Flicks"** on a Saturday evening in early April it was time to go exploring and past references in RuRAD were acted on. First call was to the **Tavern** on the nearby A6. It was busy and four pumps were available. Shottle Pale Ale was chosen, in front of Pedigree, a Derby brew Company beer and another one, and was quite good too. We didn't stay as the music was a bit loud so went a short trip up the hill to the **White Hart, Bargate** to a very pleasant interior, smelling quite new too, with six on the blackboard to chose from. It wasn't easy to pick between Harvest Pale, Bass, Kingstone Bitter, London Pride but nostalgia crept in and Kimberley Bitter was chosen. It was a decent pint but "nowt" like that served up in my youth. Now that was bitter. Another short trip to the **Seven Stars** at Belper found Burton Bridge Bitter, Hobgoblin and my choice of Springhead Maid Marian, which again was pleasant enough. We left here when the "turn" started singing. She sang well but it was too loud again. I must be getting old. My chauffeur decided it was home time but managed to persuade her to "one for the frog" near home so we called at the **White Post, Stanley Common**

to find it was Race Night (not as noisy) where Coppice Side Deception was my best pint of the night. The three pubs in Belper, not tried before, were all nicely appointed and doing their best to get punters in with beers and entertainment, so fair play to them all - The Escapist

Over the Easter weekend, after threatening for quite a while I finally paid a visit to the Marlpool Brewery Bar. I walked through the door as though I was walking into a front room to be met by 4 handpumps facing me on the bar. The rear room had a log burner in which kept the room warm and cosy, small but compact, with a further 2 beers available from the cellar.. The beers on offer were Bunny Hops from Wirksworth, Stout from Cottage, Pirates Gold from Muirhouse, Little Tic from Wentwell, and Scratty Ratty & Otters Pocket from Marlpool - Charisma

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Following a visit to Sudbury Hall, called in the **Vernon Arms** at **Sudbury** but was disappointed to find 3 Marston's regime beers. Worse to follow as a full half-pint glass slid off the uneven rustic table on to my companion. I returned the empty glass for a refill and politely offered to pay whilst expecting my offer to be declined but the unfriendly barmaid took my money again (more fool me!). At least it was the last time they take any money from me as I shall not be returning - Chris P Duck

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> of April I met up with Trigger, Cassandra, Chris P Duck, Bagpuss, Jasper, The Chair and Honest Hayden in Derby before embarking on Charisma & Didler's trip to Bollington, Macclesfield and Leek. The bus was jam-packed with fellow RuRADians and we headed off in earnest at about 10.30. After an unscheduled convenience stop overlooking Rudyard Reservoir we got to our first port of call, the **GBG Poachers** at **Bollington** (after a fine piece of reversing from the driver) just before 12.00. A fine start it was too with Storm Desert Storm, Weetwood Old Dog, Happy Valley Black Magic, Geeves Bow Hauler and WJ King Brighton Blonde available. Next it was on to the **Vale Inn**, Bollington Brewery's tap house (while the majority were clamouring for service at the bar I nipped in the **Dog & Partridge** for a half of Robinson's Hatters). There were 5 Bollington beers on offer: Bollington Nights, Bollington Best, Northern

Nights, Eastern Nights and Long Hop with Townhouse Audley Gold as guest. The last time I came in here it had a definite restauranty atmosphere, but we all made it feel like a proper pub. The final stop in the village was the **GBG Cock & Pheasant**, which was somewhat of an anticlimax, being well behind schedule we decided not to linger. Next it was on to Macclesfield where we all went our separate ways. Trig, Cassandra, CPD & I called in the **Castle**, which was a fine pub (though not for the beer) with Hooky Bitter, Hobgoblin and Redwillow Wreckless available. Having said that the Wreckless was a nice drop. On leaving was asked the barmaid if she knew where the Baths Hotel was. When she said in her eastern European accent that she wasn't from round here we should have given up as all she did was direct us to a bridge over the railway.....to the other platform. So we headed for the **GBG Waters Green Tavern** where we had a choice from Phoenix White Monk, Acorn Barnsley Bitter, KI Pale Rider, Whim Arbor Light, George Wright Junga and Allgates Celtic Pale Ale - all abet too light for me. After a swift phone call to Charisma the stay was extended so we got some proper directions and were joined by Bagpuss who knew where he was going. As we left the WGT the heavens opened and pelted us with hailstones, which really hurt the top of my head! We got to the **GBG Baths Hotel** to find a range of beers I forgot to make a note of but there was at least a couple of Timmy Taylor brews and a Red Willow beer not forgetting a crocodile on the ceiling and a puffer fish in a cage. Quirky is the correct term I think! The helpful barmaid directed us to the **Treacle Tap** where we had a choice from Merlin Dragonslayer, Happy Valley Lazy Days and Redwillow Endless, probably one of the best pubs of the day. By now it was time to move on with the next stop being the **NI Harrington Arms** at **Gawsworth**, another outstanding pub (though not for the beer) with Robinson's Hatters, Unicorn, Enigma and Lets Build a Rocket (or something like that).

Olive, Sally, Jean & Steve  
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Next on the list was the **GBG Sutton Hall** at **Sutton**, which was more like a stately home than a pub and had Titanic Iceberg, Burton Old Cottage Oak Ale, Brunning & Price Original, Flowers Original and Winkle Lord Lucan. I did feel somewhat out of place even though I stuck my little finger out whilst drinking my half as one should. Our final destination was **Leek** where, again, we all went our separate ways. Trigger, Cassandra, CPD & I first called in the **Quiet Woman** where Charles Wells Eagle IPA & Bombardier and Everards Elixir were on offer. However we took the opportunity to have a Bacardi & Coke (CPD had Whiskey) and toast the memory of a fine, fine man. Our attempt to visit the **GBG Den Engel** was scuppered as there was a private party taking place.....not very accommodating. The **GBG Wilkes Head** was just up the road so in we popped in to find Whim Hartington Bitter, Hartington IPA, Flower Power & Cascade and Marble Stout. As we enjoyed our halves (except CPD who had his changed) we measured ourselves against celebrities on a wall chart, I'm a little taller than Michael Douglas, if only I was a little richer too! Someone dropped something, which gave us cause to leave rapidly and move on to the **Cock Inn**, which had Joules Original Pale Ale, Slumbering Monk, Blonde and Sarah Hughes dark Ruby. With time running short it was a hop skip and a jump across the street to the **Roebuck Hotel** to find Titanic Steerage, Anchor, Iceberg, Cpt Smith's, White Star & Plum Porter, Everards Tiger and Townhouse Styrian Pale. I nipped out to find a chip shop and found Charisma and several others already partaking. I returned to be coaxed into one final half, which meant we never had time to go to the chippy anyway. We got on the bus - I would like to take this opportunity to apologise to Bald Eagle for pinching a piece of his pepperroni pizza (a lot of p's there!) but I was ravenous - and we arrived back in **Derby** at about 9 O'clock. There was time for a swift one in the **Exeter Arms** before I had to head off for my bus and some much need sustenance. Thanks to Charisma and Didler for another great days supping and also to The Chair who sent me his notes, which filled in the many blank spaces I had accumulated. Train trips to The Three Valleys Beer Festival (2<sup>nd</sup>) and the Welland Valley Beer Festival (16<sup>th</sup>) are pencilled in for June, so looking forward to them - Ed

## Beer Festival Diary – Near and Not so Near

- 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May The Exeter Arms Beer Festival, Exeter Place-Derby up to 14 Ales  
4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May Booze & Blues Festival, The Cow & Plough, Stoughton Park, Gartree Road, Oadby-Leicester 30 Ales  
4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May Organ Grinder Beer Festival, Alfreton Road, Canning Circus-Nottingham  
4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May South Notts Beer Festival, Nottingham Moderns Rugby Club-Wilford 30+ Unusual/Rare Ales + Cider  
4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> May Royal Oak Anniversary Beer Festival, Green Lane-Ockbrook  
4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> May The Red Lion Mini Beer Festival, Front Street-Fritchley, Derbyshire Tel 01773 852476  
9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> May Johnson Arms Beer & Cider Festival, 59 Abbey Street-Dunkirk, Nottingham 30 Ales (6 Rotating) 10 Ciders  
11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> May Grafton Beer Festival, Grafton Hotel, Gateford Road-Workshop  
11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> May 18<sup>th</sup> Macclesfield Beer Festival, Macclesfield Rugby Club, Priory Lane-Macclesfield, Cheshire 130+ Ales  
17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> May Gardeners Rest Last Orders Beer Festival, 105 Neepsend Road-Sheffield 40 Ales  
18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> May Barrow Hill Beer Festival, Barrow Hill Roundhouse-Chesterfield 150+ Ales Cider/Perry & Fruit Wines  
24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> May Coopers Tavern & Devonshire Arms Joint Beer Festival, Cross Street-Burton on Trent 50 Ales + Ciders  
24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> May Test Match Beer Festival, The Vat & Fiddle, Queens Bridge Road-Nottingham 27+ Ales  
25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> May West Indian Beer & Cricket Festival, Trent Navigation, Meadow Lane-Nottingham 30 Ales  
25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> May Swan In The Rushes Beer Festival, 21 The Rushes-Loughborough  
25<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> May Newark Beer Festival, Riverside Park-Newark 140+ Ales Ciders & Perry  
31<sup>st</sup> May to 4<sup>th</sup> June Ruddington Village Fest, White Horse, Three Crowns & Red Heart-Ruddington 75+ Ales  
31<sup>st</sup> May to 5<sup>th</sup> June Jubilee Weekender, The Tramway Tavern, 192 Chatsworth Road-Chesterfield (Themed Guest Ales)  
1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> June Stag Inn Beer Festival, 67 Nottingham Road, Kimberley-Nottingham up to 30 Ales 4 Ciders  
1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> June Bentley Brook Inn Beer Festival-Fenny Bentley, Ashbourne  
1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> June 1<sup>st</sup> Willington Beer Festival, Featuring The Dragon, The Rising Sun & The Green Man-Willington  
1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> June Diamond Jubilee Beer Festival, Victoria Hotel, Dovecote Lane-Beeston 50+ Ales (35 at one time) + Cider  
1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> June The 3<sup>rd</sup> Royal Oak Beer Festival, The Green-Long Whatton, Loughborough 50+ Ales Cider/Perry  
1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> June The Red Lion Beer Festival, High Street-Kegworth 50+ Ales + Cider & Perry  
1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June The Red Lion Diamond Jubilee Beer Festival, Front Street-Fritchley, Derbyshire Tel 01773 852476  
1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June Black Lion Beer Festival, Main Road-Radcliffe-on-Trent, Nottingham 50+ Ales  
1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June General Havelock Beer Festival, Stanton Road-Ilkeston, Derby's 100 Ales + Cider  
1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> June Moca Bar Beer Festival, 77 Dale Road-Matlock Tel 01629 258084  
14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> June The Chesterfield Arms Beer Festival, 40 Newbold Road-Chesterfield Tel 01246 236634
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- 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May 18<sup>th</sup> Reading Beer Festival, Kings Meadow Recreation Ground-Reading 500+ Ales 200 Ciders  
3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> May Forever Bury Beer Festival, Bury FC Social Club, Gigg Lane-Bury 45+ Ales  
4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> May 34<sup>th</sup> Bath Beer Festival, Widcombe Soc Club, Widcombe Hill-Bath 48+ Ales Cider & Bottled Beers  
4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> May The Barton Arms Beer Festival, 144 High Street, Aston-Birmingham 15+ Ales  
4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> May Barnsley Beer Festival, Elsecar Heritage Centre, Wath Road, Elsecar-Barnsley 30+ Ales  
4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Blandford Beer Festival, The Railway, Oakfield Street-Blandford Forum, Dorset, 40 Southern Counties Ales  
11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> May Sale Beer Festival, Sale Masonic Hall, Tatton Road-Sale, Greater Manchester 40+ Ales  
2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> June Headingley Beer Festival, New Headingley Club, 56 St Michaels Road-Headingley, Leeds 30 Ales  
2<sup>nd</sup> June 3 Valleys Beer Festival, Dronfield, Holmesfield, Dore & Totley More Info [www.threevalleysfestival.org.uk/](http://www.threevalleysfestival.org.uk/)  
5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June Colchester Beer Festival, Colchester Arts Centre, Church Street-Colchester 120+ Ales 20+ Cider/Perry  
8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> June Stratford-on-Avon Beer & Cider Fest, Stratford Racecourse, Luddington Rd-Stratford, 50 Ales 12 Ciders  
14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> June 37<sup>th</sup> Wolverhampton Beer Festival, Wulfrun Hall, Mitre Fold-Wolverhampton 75 Ales Cider/Perry  
15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> June Welland Valley Beer Festival, More info at [www.wellandvalleybeerfestival.co.uk](http://www.wellandvalleybeerfestival.co.uk) 250 Ales

***We advise confirmation of dates and times before attending the above festivals, as changes may occur.***

Well that's all for this issue folks however if you have any info or news which could be included in a subsequent issue of "In the Sticks" please contact Charisma Bypass on 07974 171243 / [charismabypass2005@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:charismabypass2005@yahoo.co.uk) or Rodders on [uplonkerrodneym2006@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:uplonkerrodneym2006@yahoo.co.uk) by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month.

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### **Cross Keys**

35 Market Place, Belper Tel 01773 599191

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Bar Snacks Available.

QUIZ NIGHT Tuesday 9.30pm

Weekends Live Music, Karaoke & Discos

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday – Jamming Session, all musicians welcome. 3 songs – free drink.

Only pub in Belper in the GBG

### **The Codnor Inn**

Jessop Street, Codnor

5 hand pumps with local micro brewery beers including Coppice Side.

Oakham beer on permanently.

5 minutes from the Market Place

Tel 07952 067009

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***Quote of the Month:***

**"The mouth of a perfectly happy man is filled with beer"**