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### In the Sticks

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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#### Number Crunching

In this issue we bring you news of 38 pubs in 29 different locations, 4 Breweries and 33 Beer Festivals.

#### Beer and Pub News

Due to a few set backs the Derby Brewing Co owned **Royal Standard** in Derby did not open in May as anticipated but will now open in the first week of June if all goes to plan

At the **Lion Hotel, Belper** CAMRA members can still get discounts on the cask ales on offer (on production of a valid CAMRA card). Currently £2.20 pint as opposed to £2.60 - £2.80. It has come to us that CAMRA members have been asking for jugs/carry-out kegs to be filled at the discount price and that this has been refused as it was not thought to be in the spirit of the offer

There have been some interesting beers appearing lately at the **White Hart** at **Stanley**

Roger from the **Smithfield, Derby**, via his communications officer Phil Jackson, has informed us that there is to be another beer festival this year 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> of August with 40 plus beers and 20 new ones. There will be entertainment on Friday & Saturday night plus a BBQ on Friday and a hog roast on Saturday, there will be a new 7.5% beer from Headless Brewery

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### June 2008

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The **Moon** at **Sheffield** is closed due to a dispute amongst the owners

The **Boat Inn** at **Cromford** reopened on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, beers on offer are Pedigree, Ruddles County, Bombardier & London Pride

The opening times at the **Tavern, Belper** are 12 - 2 & 5 - 11 Monday to Thursday and not 7 - 11 as printed in last month's newsletter (Apologies-Ed) and all day Friday, Saturday & Sunday. The courtyard has now been completed and the licence has been obtained enabling them to stay open until 1am, at the landlord & landlady's discretion. Clubs and societies are always welcome to hold meetings at the pub with a platter of sandwiches provided

The **Rays Arms** at **Heanor** is up to let as Saul & Sabrina are leaving due to Sabrina's health. It seems a shame really as they have both worked very hard in turning the pub around but we wish them both well and especially a speedy recovery to Sabrina, Good Luck!

The **Flying Childers** at **Stanton in Peak** now have a regular guest beer on from Storm Brewery, the last one was Boom Banger, which was followed by a Boggart Hole Clough beer

On a recent visit to the **George** at **Ripley** Amber Pale Ale 4.4%, Tower Thomas Salt's Bitter 3.8% and Hoskins (Tower) HOB 4% with Amber Steam Bitter, Colonial IPA & Bursley Bitter ready to come on. The best place to go for Amber Ales without a doubt

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Colin's guest beers for June at the **Cross Keys Belper** include Bateman's Summer Swallow 3.9%, Derby Derbyshire Dark Mild 4.3%, Highwood Fathers Pride 4.5%, Mordue A'l wheat Pet 4.1% & The Blond 4.6%, Fullers London Pride 4.1%, Riverside Hoppy Days 4.2%, and Oldershaw Grantham Stout 4.3%. Also to coincide with the Belper Food Festival the Cross Keys will be holding a mini "Old Favourites" Beer festival between Friday 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July. As well as the regular Bateman's beers there will be 8 guests which include Abbeydale Moonshine 4.3%, Amber Mild 4.8%, Coniston Bluebird 3.6%, Hook Norton Old Hooky 4.6%, Mauldons Black Adder 4.3%, O'Hanlon's Original Port Stout 4.8%, Orkney Dark Island 4.6% and Sharps Cornish Jack 3.8%

Called in the **Green Man** at **Ashbourne** in early May to try Edwards beers from the relocated Leatherbitches brewery, I tried Dr Johnsons 4% at £2.00 a pint & Hairy Helmet 4.7% at £2.40 a pint and both were very quaffable, the Green Man is well worth a visit as they have guest beers on as well as good food

Reports have reached us that the **Knockerdown Inn** near **Carsington**, which was very popular years ago and a premier real ale pub serving Pedigree straight from the wood, now has no real ale and only deals in bottles

Cheadle beer festival held in the Guild Hall will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> August and will be organised by Dave Edwards of Peakstones Rock Brewery

There is a new manager running the **Bell** at **Smalley** as Angie is giving up the pub due to health reasons, we wish her all the best and a speedy recovery

The **Tollgate** on Brook Street, **Heage** has finally got its real-ale. After much promising from breweries/suppliers the pub has had two handpumps supplied and 'fitted' - the fittings did not actually work at the time of my visit on 13<sup>th</sup> April however the landlady was determined to serve the beer and so it was being supplied direct from the barrel! Two beers were on offer Pedigree and Adnams bitter both at a reasonable £2.50

At the **Anchor, Oakerthorpe** in early May there was Oakerthorpe Ale 4.5% and new beers Yorkshire Warrior 4.4% and Get Shafted 5.9% as well as the usual Anchor Special and Monkman Slaughter. Tunnel Vision and the famous Old Goat will follow in the near future

The **Norfolk Arms** in **Glossop** is now owned by **Holts Brewery** and is serving their **Mild, Bitter** and a seasonal

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### **Brewery News**

#### **Bottle Brook-Kilburn**

A further new beer has been brewed, IPA 4.7%, and the Emperor 3.6% is proving very popular as within hours of it going on the bar at the **Old Oak Inn, Horsley Woodhouse** it tends to sell out. Eternity 4.3%, which appeared at the Erewash CAMRA beer festival at Ilkeston was going down well with a lot of complementary comments

#### **Falstaff-Derby**

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Milds for may produced under the Dr Who banner were Adipose 4.4%, Astrid 4.5% & Martha Jones 5.9%. Beers coming soon are Zygon 4%, Sontaran 4.2% & Sea Devil 4.3%

#### **Funfair Brewing Co-Ilkeston**

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The Latest beer from Funfair is a 5.0% stout called Blueberry which made its first appearance at the Barrow Hill Beer festival. One to look out for later in the year is to be called Wall of Death which will be available as 5.0% cask conditioned ale and a 7.0% bottled conditioned version. Dave proudly opened the Erewash Beer Festival on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May at the King Edward IV Suite of the Regency Rooms, Co-op in Ilkeston where Ilkeston Brown Ale took 1<sup>st</sup> place, Funstripe took 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Dive Bomber took 3<sup>rd</sup> place as beers of the festival.

#### **Leadmill-Denby**

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The brewery is still ticking over and future beer swaps are planned with Northumbria, Milestone, Crouch Vale, Shardlow and Black Country breweries

#### **Del & Rod's Real Ale Rambles**

Oh bliss, oh joy it's that time of year again when we head off to the magical mountains of the lovely Lake District. Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of May we drove up to Cumbria and after circumnavigating some

congestion on the M6 at Stoke we met up with Mr. Sleepy & Preacher Man. We parked a car at Hartsop and then drove to Patterdale to start our walk, a tad behind schedule. A gentle ascent got us to Boredale Hause from where we bagged Angletarn Pikes and Brock Craggs before the slightly more laborious toil up to Rest Dodd. Uncle Albert & I chilled out while we waited for Del Boy, Mr. Sleepy & Preacher Man to take in The Knott then we had a coffee before going on to Kidsty Pike, High Raise and Rampsgill Head. The hour was late and the legs were tiring, so with 2 more days walking still in store we headed down to Hayeswater and back to Hartsop. Refreshments were taken in the **Patterdale Hotel**, which had Tirril Old Faithful & Academy Ale, I had a pint of each even at £2.90 ...1 for each leg. After we ensconced ourselves in our B&B in **Keswick** we headed off for a pint and predictably we bee lined to the GBG **Dog & Gun** and were rewarded with Keswick Thirst Fall & Thirst Rescue, Coniston Bluebird & Old Man Ale, Bombardier and OP, the Keswick beers were in good order as usual and the Old Man is always a delight. Supper was procured from the Olde Keswickian (thankfully re-opened after February's fire damage). Next morning after a hearty breakfast we met up with a few late arrivals and proceeded to **Grasmere** and conquered Silver How, Blea Rigg and Tarn Crag (I did Sergeant Man and the other High Raise just for the hell of it). After all that we called in the GBG **Tweedies Bar** ("Mrs Tweedie, the chickens are revolting") at the Dale Lodge Hotel. A couple of years ago I called in here and was suitably impressed with the selection of ale and thought the others would be too. Blacksheep Ale, Yates Bitter, Harviestoun Schiehallion, Brakspear Bitter, OP, Keswick Thirst Celebration and Deuchars IPA were available. I necked a Yates and went for the Thirst Celebration (brewed to celebrate the brewery's birthday) at 7%...purely for medicinal purposes you understand. On the way home we decided to call in the **Travellers Rest**, on the main road, for some food, Jennings Bitter, Cocker Hoop & Sneck Lifter were available and the Bitter complemented the meal perfectly. Again that evening the Dog & Gun was chosen where the Bombardier and Thirst Fall had changed for Tirril Red Barn Ale and Thirst Blossom and we even managed to get a seat...result! A good kip and another satiating breakfast later we headed off for a gentler walk...or so we thought. From a road side car park near Farm Uzzicar (9mml) we took an obvious looking path up the fellside...unfortunately it turned out to be sheep track that just went to a rather lush patch of grass half way up. The majority of us decided to forge on, probably the first ever to gain the ridge by that particular route...which is always fun? The windy summit of Barrow was attained and a break was taken before descending to

Barrow Door and moving on to Outerside (via Stile End for me). I left Del & Uncle Albert on the summit (the rest went back after Barrow) and took in Scar Craggs and Causey Pike out of sheer doggedness and met up with them at the bottom of the Stoneycroft Gill path, they did stop for a lunch break...or that's what they told me. We drove to the Swinside for a pint but it was closed until 6.00 just for the day, which turned out to be a spot of luck as instead I directed Del to the 2008 GBG **Middle Ruddings Hotel** (not the Middle Wicket, Uncle Albert) just off the main road at **Braithwaite**. Cumbrian Wicked Jimmy, Ulverston Another Fine Mess and Barnegates Westmorland Gold were available and all were in good order. The landlord, obviously a real ale aficionado, keeps only Cumbrian beers (except Dent...it's too far) of lower gravities (for the session drinkers) and he was very accommodating towards us when we enquired about a large booking for a meal...he even offered to get a beer of our choice, splendid! That evening for a change we called in the **Oddfellows**, which offered the usual Jennings fayre, before going to ...you guessed it... the Dog & Gun where Hawkshead Lakeland Gold had replaced Old Man Ale, Once again seats were to be had, which are a rare thing in Keswick pubs on a Bank Holiday weekend, so we stayed for the night. Another productive weekend, despite the weather forecast, Del Boy is now down to 60 and Uncle Albert has 86 Wainwrights to go

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### **RuRAD Supporting Local Beer Festivals**

On returning from the Lake District Del Boy and I headed straight for the **Royal Oak** at **Ockbrook** to catch the back end of the anniversary beer festival...damned inconsiderate of them, I thought, to arrange it while we were away! A warm greeting welcomed us from Steady Steve (still basking in the glow of the Red Dog's promotion...what goes around comes around as they say) and of the meager amount of beers left I sampled Idle Landlord 4.6%, Peak Ales Bakewell Best Bitter 4.2% and Grafton Blondie 4.8% whilst catching up with Hawaii 5.0 & Queenie. The festival started on Friday lunch with 12 beers and 1 cider in the Assembly Room plus 2 rotating beers on the bar and that evening was opened by non other than the East Midlands CAMRA Regional Director, Mr. Julian Tubbs who gave a speech thanking Olive and giving a brief history of her tenure at the pub and of CAMRA's commitment to supporting local/rural

pubs. The Saturday sessions were well received (Steve snook off early for a more important engagement at the City Ground as the Red Dogs gained promotion-have I mentioned that already-which guaranteed the Rams at least 6 points next season). Ashover Poets Tipple 4% was the first (of 6) to go that evening followed by Whim Flower Power 5.3% and Nutbrook Banter Bitter 4.5% but by far the quickest to go was, not surprisingly, Thornbridge Jaipur, which came on the main bar and lasted about 2 hours and at midnight the Assembly Room was restocked with beers from Derby and Grafton. Sunday was "steady" throughout with Hott Boxx (hot rockin' music from the deep south...America not Hampshire!) providing the entertainment and BBC TV came to do an interview with Olive in the afternoon. Bank Holiday Monday, where we came in, was another "steady" session and all the festival beers were consumed by the end of play

On Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup> the planned outing from the **Old Oak Inn at Horsley Woodhouse**; 16 of us set off to the **Jervis Arms Beer Festival at Onecote**. It was a lovely night in the Staffordshire countryside, thanks to Charisma. The Jervis, was a Gem of a Pub, with the garden having En-Suite River and bridges to complete the setting. A fantastic beer list, 22 rare ales and 3 ciders. Though not able to try them all, the 15 we shared were in excellent condition, our favourites were - Copper Dragon Golden Pippin 3.9%, Ulverston Lonesome Pine 4.2%, Millstone Pig 'N' Whistle 4.3%, Bradfield BPA 5.2%, Boggart Hole Clough Bog Eyed 4%, Empire Ale St George 4.1%, Salamander Epic 5%. We broke off from the festival to visit 2 renowned pubs in the area. **Ye Olde Butchers Arms at Reapmoor Staffs'** Carl the entertaining Landlord had his usual single choice of mystery ale. No matter how hard we tried; he would not divulge its name! Back on the coach to visit the **Quiet Woman**, (oh yes there really is one!) at **Earl Sterndale**, set in a breathtaking view of Derbyshire. We 2P's had Timothy Taylor Landlord, in excellent condition, but who ate all the pies? Coz Kevin missed out. We beat a hasty retreat to the Beer Festival, to sample more ale, and enjoy the stomping good Thin Lizzie Tribute band. Once again, a good evening in good company, with more to follow we hope - 2 P's in a pod

Jim Bradford, landlord of the **Bulls Head at Openwoodgate**, is trying very hard to put this pub on the map and deserves a lot of credit for making things happen. Although his beer festival range wasn't fantastic being owned by a Pub Co his hands are somewhat tied but having said that it seemed to be well attended. The beers on offer were Bass, Blacksheep Bitter, Spitfire, Admans Bitter, Bombardier, Old Speckled Hen, Pedi, Theakston Dark Mild and Landlord. I tried the Admans and Landlord and both were very nice. The pub is beginning to take shape with the decorators giving the place a lick of paint, in fact they'd not long left before the festival opened (I bet the Queen would have been right at home - Ed). It was a nice evening and together with a

good group on Jim got a good atmosphere

On Friday May 9<sup>th</sup> I got the Ilkeston Flyer from Derby and called in the Erewash Valley CAMRA Beer Festival. On arrival I immediately bumped into Charisma & Sooty who gave me a few pointers. There was a good RuRAD contingent among the serving staff with Chris P Duck, Tweedle Dum and Bluestreak all helping out. Of the 60 odd beers on offer I sampled Funfair Sky Diver & Meteorite, B&T Edwin Taylor Stout, Bee's Navigator, Bottle Brook Eternity, Moor Portered Peat Porter, North Cotswold Hang, Drawn & Portered, Pot Belly Best Bitter and White Horse Black Horse...not necessarily in that order. All were in good form especially the Funfair, which are rapidly becoming one of my favourites for their consistent quality, I was also pleased to sample some beer from Leicestershire's newest brewery, Bee's from Queniborough. I was later joined by Uncle Albert, Sea Bass & Comical Ali and I also bumped into Poirot...it was like a party at our house! I caught the 9.30 bus (so did Charisma even though he went for the 8.30) got off at Spondon and walked across country to **Ockbrook** for last orders - Ed

I decided to pay a visit to the **King William IV** beer festival at **Milford**, which always has a 1 or 2 interesting beers on offer. After purchasing my vouchers at the main bar I kicked off with Amber Ale 3.8%, which was very flavoursome for a low gravity beer. Next was a new beer from Brampton called Jerusalem 4.6% quickly followed by Dent Frollicking Good Beer 4.5% and Glastonbury Excalibur 4%. All beers were in fine form. I returned on the Sunday lunch to find just 3 beers left, Hartington IPA, Shardlow Reverend Eaton and Idle Black Abbot Porter the landlord said he was hit hard by demand on Saturday night so I could safely say the festival was a success - Charisma

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**25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> July**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August**

It being the dying embers of another football season Postman Pat and myself decided to head up to Yorkshire to catch the Bentley Colliery v Gedling Miners Welfare match and whilst there sample a few ales to

boot. We caught the 1.15 from Derby and arrived an hour later. First up, whilst waiting for the train back to Doncaster, we called in the **Railway Tavern at Bentley**, not real ale really, but they do serve a fine pint of John Smiths Cask 3.8% a rare treat indeed. Next up, **Doncaster**, where having nervously negotiated Brands Hatch directly opposite the station we managed to find two top pubs next door to one another. The **Plough**, a classic back street pub, welcomed us with Acorn Barnsley Bitter 3.8% and Darkness Mild 4.2%. Literally next door is the **Tap 'n' Shive** and well worth a visit it is too especially if you like your 80's & 90's indie music with your jar. 6 ales on offer, Black Cat 3.4%, Blacksheep 3.8%, Old Hooky 4.6% Abbot 5%, Old Speckled Hen 4.5% and the dreaded GK IPA...we didn't want to leave. Next the **Leopard**, and interesting pub where you can enjoy some classic punk sounds to accompany Doncaster Skellon Gold 4.2% & Honey Blonde 4%, Blacksheep 3.8% and John Smiths 3.8% again... well it just wouldn't be Yorkshire without it. A good day well worth a jaunt, Oh and if you are interested Bentley Colliery got deservedly beaten 2-1 by Gedling MW - Davo

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The Mail House in Ilkeston re-opened on 22<sup>nd</sup> May under the Smith & Jones banner with a new name the **Charter**, named after the medieval fair. It is aimed at the younger element of drinkers but did have Theakston Best, Bass & Bombardier available. I tried the former & it did not take long to realise why I have not had this beer for ages, as it was as tasteless as previous recollections. I cannot blame the pub for this & it was only £1-75 but the other beers may have been a better bet for me. I then ventured to the former Spring Cottage, now **Last Orders** where great things had been promised by the new manager. There were 5 handpumps at the bar but only one active so I tried this which was St George by I don't know who. This was below average quality although only £1-50 a pint. There were plenty of people in & it was a good local if you like lager, pool & Setanta Sport - Chris P Duck

Further to the May issue of "In the Sticks" the **Nags Head at Mickleover** has had the refurbishment work carried out. Following other "Pub Co" refurbishes it is now a restaurant that sells

beer, the nice lounge leather settees have been replaced by tables and chairs for dining. The hand pumps have been reduced from 8 to 6 (only 4 in use when we called) what a pity - Don Pedro & 'Er in Doors

Your excellent 'organ' RuRAD is avidly read by the Grumpies (The Doc, Mart and myself). RuRAD is reserved for weeknight Grumpy reading - we meet most early doors - and helps keep us in touch with the outside world. You must remember that out here at

the **Black Horse** in **Hulland Ward** we have a lot to put up with, especially now that summer is here, - Tourists, badly behaved children, caravans, children that scream a lot and have large prams, more tourists - bah!!! get the idea. Then of course, there's the landlord Michael, we have to put up with him as well, so it's hardly surprising we are Grumpy! However, we struggle on drinking as a social responsibility - where else would The

Chancellor get his money from for the poor people if everyone stopped drinking? On Sunday's we have a special Grumpies meeting, normally starting around 1.30pm when we complain about most things, but sadly by the time we leave - we aren't Grumpy at all! So here's to RURAD, The Black Horse, The Engine Shed, and The Far Pavillion. Keep up the good working producing and editing RURAD. - The Grumpies (nice to know it's all worth while - Ed)

**Thought for the Month: If a quiz is quizzical, what's a test?**

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

- 29<sup>th</sup> May to 1<sup>st</sup> June Three Counties Beer Festival, Hosted jointly by the White Horse (Church St) and the Three Crowns (Easthorpe St)-Ruddington  
6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June Needlemakers Arms Beer Festival, Kensington St-Ilkeston  
27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> June White Post Beer Festival, Belper Rd-Stanley Common  
4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> July Cross Keys Mini "Old Favourites" Beer Festival, Market Place-Belper  
9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> July 31<sup>st</sup> Derby Summer Beer Festival, Assembly Rooms, Market Place-Derby About 110 Ales [www.derbycamra.org.uk](http://www.derbycamra.org.uk)  
11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> July Foresters Arms Beer Festival, Main St-Scropton DE65 5PP  
16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> July Ye Olde Dolphin Inne Beer Festival, Queen St-Derby  
25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> July White Post Beer Festival, Belper Rd-Stanley Common  
22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August White Post Beer Festival, Belper Rd-Stanley Common  
24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> August Moorgreen Beer & Cider Festival, Moorgreen Show, Watnall-Nottingham  
28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> August Smithfield Beer Festival, Meadow Rd-Derby [www.thesmithfield.co.uk](http://www.thesmithfield.co.uk)  
  
5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> June Soar Bridge Inn 2<sup>nd</sup> Beer Festival, Bridge St-Barrow upon Soar 01509 412686 14 Real Ales  
5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> June 12<sup>th</sup> Southampton Beer Festival Guildhall, West Marlands Road-Southampton 80+ Ales [www.shantscamra.org.uk](http://www.shantscamra.org.uk)  
5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June New Oxford Beer Festival, Bexley Square, Salford-Manchester 30+ Ales  
6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June Brewers Weekend Prince Of Wales, Foxfield-Broughton in Furness 30 Ales Tel 01229 716238 [www.princeofwalesfoxfield.co.uk](http://www.princeofwalesfoxfield.co.uk)  
12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> June Great Welsh Beer & Cider Festival, Cardiff International Arena, Mary Ann Street-Cardiff 200+ Ales [www.qwbcf.org.uk](http://www.qwbcf.org.uk)  
12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> June Tynedale Beer Festival 08, Tynedale Rugby Club, Tynedale Park-Corbridge 100+ Ales  
12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> June Bitter Suite Beer Festival, Bitter Suite, 53 Fylde Rd-Preston 20+ Ales Tel 01772 827007 [www.bittersuitepreston.co.uk](http://www.bittersuitepreston.co.uk)  
19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> June Kelham Island Tavern Beer Festival, Russell St-Sheffield 30+ Beers  
20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> June Out of the Vaults Beer Festival, King St-Leicester [www.outofthevaults.com](http://www.outofthevaults.com)  
20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> June Welland Valley Beer Festival, Jointly held between 11 Pubs info from [wellandvalleybf@ntlworld.com](http://wellandvalleybf@ntlworld.com) or call 07790 197220  
26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> June Beer Weekend, The Black Horse, 72 Redearth St-Darwen 10+ Ales [www.theblackun.co.uk](http://www.theblackun.co.uk)  
26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> June Lichfield Beer & Music Festival, Rugby Club-Lichfield  
27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June 9<sup>th</sup> Kingston Beer Festival, Surrey County Staff Club, Penrhyn Rd-Kingston upon Thames 454 Ales  
28<sup>th</sup> June Congleton Summer Beer Festival, Congleton Leisure Centre, Worrall St-Congleton 50 Ales [www.congletonroundtable.org.uk](http://www.congletonroundtable.org.uk)  
4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> July Hereford Beer & Cider Festival, Hereford Rowing Club, Greyfriars Ave-Hereford [www.herefordcamra.org](http://www.herefordcamra.org)  
10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> July 6<sup>th</sup> Bromsgrove Beer Festival, Bromsgrove RFC, Finstall Park-Bromsgrove [www.bromsgrovebeerfestival.org.uk](http://www.bromsgrovebeerfestival.org.uk)  
10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> July Abbeydale Brewery Sunfest, The Rising Sun, 471 Fulwood Road-Sheffield Tel 0114 2303855  
12<sup>th</sup> July West Cheshire Beer Festival, Spitting Feathers Brewery, Common Lane-Waverton, Chester [www.spittingfeathers.org](http://www.spittingfeathers.org)  
18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> July Walsall Cricket Club Ashover Brewery Mini Beer Festival, Gorway Rd-Walsall [www.walsallcricketclub.com](http://www.walsallcricketclub.com)  
5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> August Great British Beer Festival, Earls Court, Warwick Road-London [www.gbbf.org](http://www.gbbf.org)  
19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August 31<sup>st</sup> Peterborough Beer Festival, The Embankment, Bishops Rd-Peterborough [www.beer-fest.org.uk](http://www.beer-fest.org.uk)  
29<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> August Cheadle Beer Festival, The Guildhall-Cheadle

***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 information or news which could be included in a subsequent issue of "In the Sticks" please contact Charisma Bypass on 07974 171243 or Rodders on 07964492569 or e-mail: [uplonkerrodneym2006@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:uplonkerrodneym2006@yahoo.co.uk) by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month.

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