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Has your MP signed up to the pub goers charter?

Just over a month ago, CAMRA launched its 'Beer Drinkers and Pub Goers Charter' at its Annual Parliamentary Reception. CAMRA has since been asking MP's and Prospective Parliamentary Candidates (PPCs) from all the main political parties to support these 5 key commitments:

- · Promote the interests of Britain's 15m regular pub goers
- · Champion the community importance of well-run pubs
- · Support the re-balancing of alcohol taxation to protect well-run community pubs, small brewers and traditional cider producers
- Press reform of beer tie arrangements to ensure a fair deal for consumers, allow local brewers to sell their beers to local pubs and to deliver a sustainable future for Britain's pubs
- Seek to address issues of alcohol-related harm through a more targeted, nuanced policy approach that supports pubs which play a positive role in community life and provide a safe and responsible place to enjoy a drink

So far, 234 MPs and PPCs from all the main political parties have signed up in support of the commitments. CAMRA is encouraging all members and supporters to continue the



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lobbying effort, by going to the charter website and following instructions to email their candidates. For more information, visit the CAMRA website at www.camra.org.uk.





Pub news

News from Crookes

Following a major refurbishment, the **Punch Bowl**, known locally as the Top Shop, is now selling real ale again. This is down to the enthusiasm of new managers Dave and Julie Woodward. Dave and Julie have previously run real ale pubs in the area and are starting here with Jennings Cumberland Ale and hope to try a different guest beer every month.

The **Old Grindstone** has had a succession of managers for about two years and had become neglected but the new management team of Christy Beardshaw and Damian Prenter, both local residents, have turned the pub round offering a warm and friendly welcome to both old and new customers. A range of bar snacks and main meals are now available along with the Sunday Carvery. Timothy Taylor Landlord and Black Sheep Bitter are the current beers with a guest soon to appear.

The **Hallamshire Hotel** on Lydgate Lane now has Greene King IPA on handpump.

Marble at the Tap

Following the success of the Dark Star beers on the guest pumps in March, including 6Hop, Hophead and Espresso Stout amongst others, all which sold out quite quickly, April will see Marble Brewery of Manchester on the guest pumps. More information on this should appear on the Tap's Facebook group.

Other bits of news from the Tap, a meet the Thornbridge brewer session was recently held and following customer feedback radiators are now installed in the bar area!

Music Festival at the University Common Room

The Common Room at The University Sheffield is putting on its first ever festival of live music alongside a wide selection of real ales. The event is being organised in conjuction with Thornbridge Brewery and takes place on Saturday 24 April from 3pm till late. Ticket holders will get a festival glass and their first pint free. Snacks and refreshments will be available all day for those who would like a bite to eat.

The music features world renowned blues singer "Kyla Brox" and the UKs leading Gypsy Jazz outfit "The Samuel C Lees Quartet". Sheffield artists are also on the bill including Verlan, Dale Storr and The Beat Merchants.

For further information and tickets contact 0114 222 8968

Nags Head latest

The Nags Head at Loxley will be having another theme night, this time English to celebrate St George's day with a Sheffield themed quiz on Thursday 22nd April.

The Pie and a pint of Farmers Ale for £5 deal offered on Friday lunchtimes is proving popular and will be available on Good Friday.

On Easter Monday 5th April (and other bank holidays) food will be available 12-4pm and that is the day the summer opening hours start with the pub open all day every day.

Pub news

Wick at Both Ends 'Best New Bar' at Exposed Awards

The Wick at Both Ends bar on West Street in Sheffield City Centre saw success at the recent Exposed magazine awards ceromony held at the Octagon where they picked up the award for Best New Bar. The Wick at Both Ends has one real ale available, supplied by Thornbridge Brewery, which is rebadged for the pub as 'Airtight Ale'.

The bar has recently increased its bottled beer selection with the addition of Thornbridge Jaipur IPA along with some interesting American beers including 'Raging Bitch' Belgian style Pale Ale (8.3%), and 'Gonzo' stout (8.5%) both from the Flying Dog Brewer along with the most special addition, Bourbon County Stout (13%), the 1000th Brew special edition from Goose Island USA which has been aged in used Bourbon Barrels and is an amazing stout with dark chocolate, coffee and Mollasses flavours.

Other successes of note at the awards were the Lescar winning best traditional pub and the Spice Market Cafe on Ecclesall Road, part of the Brewkitchen chain, winning best new restaurant. Brewkitchen is part owned by Jim Harrison of Thornbridge in partnership with Richard Smith.

Totley news

The **Crown** has again closed following apparant issues with the new management. It is thought a former member of staff is planning to take the pub on and reopen it.

The **Fleur de Lys** is open again and has real ale and reasonably priced food available. Pool table and Sky TV also feature.

Henry's now open!

Henry's Cafe Bar on Cambridge Street in Sheffield City Centre opened on Friday 12th March with a line up of 12 real ales on handpump including a house beer called Henry's Long Blonde (this is actually Clark's Classic Blonde rebadged for Henry's). All the real ales are quite reasonably priced. At the time of going to press only drinks were available as the kitchen wasn't finished, however food will be available from early April and they plan to open early to serve breakfasts

Venue, Stocksbridge

The Venue has two real ales available.

Greyhound up and running

The Greyhound on Attercliffe Road has undertaken referbishments and is serving real ale, with 2 ales available from the Marstons range. Food is also now being served. It is open daily from 8am-6pm, bar from 11am, fri till 1am, sun 12-4. The function room is now available for parties.

Kelham Island Tavern on the campaign trail

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Island Tavern with Liberal Democrat party leader Nick Clegg to congratulate Trevor on winning National Pub of the Year, where they also met up with Dave Williams, who as well as working behind the bar at the Kelham is Sheffield CAMRA campaigns officer and beer festival organiser. He explained to Paul and Nick not only his role in CAMRA but the issues facing the pub trade and presented them with a copy of the CAMRA beer drinkers and pub goers charter.

Rutland Arms stuff

Walkley Feral Writers are collecting peoples stories of the Rutland and would like anyone with stories, recollections etc of the pub going back as long as people can remember to send them to them, any length, at rutlandarms.stories@googlemail.com.

The results will form part of the off the shelf festival in October.

For National Cask Ales Week the Rutland Arms is holding a 'Sheffield Best of the Best Cask knockout'.

The Rutland is now open all day on Sunday.

News from the Plough

By the time this magazine hits the pubs the Plough at Low Bradfield will have real Cider and Perry available for the first time, with both being supplied by Westons.

The Plough celebrated three years since reopening on 1st March. Bradfield Brewery has again brewed a special to mark the occasion, following on from the popular Single Furrow and Twin Furrow. Hopefully there will be enough of this year's brew, Three Furrow to last throughout March and into April.

The pub is holding a charity evening on Saturday 27th March from 8pm for Weston Park Hospital. Tickets are just £5, and there will be music, a sing song, entertainment and a pie & pea supper.

Landlords Chris and Mandy wish to thank CAMRA members for voting them Pub of the month in February.

Wetherspoon events

A number of Wetherspoons pubs linked by the tram route are holding a charity event on Wednesday 7th April to launch the annual Spring Beer Festival.

Proceedings kick off at 10am in the Rawson Spring, Hillsborough with a meet the brewer session hosted by Thornbridge Brewery, followed by a charity event at the Swim Inn before moving on to the Benjamin Huntsman for meet the brewer from Titanic Brewery. Next call is the Sheffield Waterworks for another charity event, before finishing at the Bankers Draft where Kelham Island Brewery will be hosting the final meet the brewer session.

Tickets are just £4 from the participating pubs and include a Day Rider ticket for the tram and food at the Bankers Draft.

The Rawson Spring at Hillsborough now has a quiz night every Monday from 8pm. Entry is £1 and the winning team takes the proceeds.



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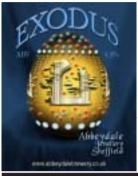
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Brewery news

Abbeydale Brewery

The brewery upgrade is proceeding with the brewery still working flat out to keep up with demand. Sales for February were up more than 20% on the same period last year, with

the limiting factor being production capacity.



The new Abbeydale beer is Exodus ABV 4.3%, a golden, fruity beer with a vaguely Easter theme.

Acorn Brewery

American cask beer fans are to sample award winning Yorkshire brews from Acorn Brewery later this month.

Two of the fast growing Barnsley brewers' championship ales - *Conquest* and *Gorlovka Imperial Stout* — will feature in the major US beer festival NERAX 2010 in Somerville, New England. The four day festival is dedicated to promoting the British style of beer to the growing number of cask ale enthusiasts in the States and is organised by the Cask Conditioned Ale Support Campaign (CASC)



Both Acorn beers have recently been hailed as among the country's champion brews. At the Camra (Campaign for Real Ale) National Winter Ales Festival – which

judges stouts, porters, barley wines and old

ales - *Gorlovka* first claimed a gold award in its class before winning the festival's overall bronze accolade. A premium strength stout, it is named in honour of Barnsley's Ukrainian twin town.

Conquest (5.7%), is a strong IPA (India Pale



Ale) style ale first brewed last autumn. It was quickly hailed one of the North's top beers from more than 100 brews at the SIBA (Society of

Independent Brewers) North Beer Competition. After first claiming gold in its class it was voted the contest's bronze winner to qualify for the national final.

Altogether Acorn's core cask-conditioned brews, which also include *Barnsley Bitter*, *Barnsley Gold, Old Moor Porter and Sovereign*, have won more than forty awards for the seven-year-old South Yorkshire brewer. Recently top UK beer writer Roger Protz - editor of the Good Beer Guide-praised Acorn as 'a shining example for craft brewers' on a visit learn more of the brewery's success. All beers use the same yeast strain as the original Barnsley Brewery of the 1850's, to provide their distinctive Yorkshire character.

Head brewer Dave Hughes said: "NERAX is a major event for cask beer lovers in the States. Being able to showcase two of our acclaimed ales to the Americans is a great opportunity to highlight the uncompromising quality of our beers."

The festival takes place from the 24th to 27th March. Website http://nerax.org/nreax.

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Bradfield Brewery



April sees the return of Bradfield Ye Olde English Ale to commemorate St Georges day, at 4.6% it is a light copper coloured traditional ale, full bodied with a long dry aftertaste.

On the 26th April Bradfield will have been brewing for 5 years and will be brewing a special on that day.

Head brewer Paul Ward who has been at the brewery from the beginning said "I have had a fantastic time so far, it was a great opportunity to start at a new brewery from the beginning and it is very rewarding to know that the beers brewed here are all new original recipes brewed with English malts, hops and using our very own spring water".

The beer will be called Farmers 5 P.A. and predictably will be a 5% pale ale, it will be available from the beginning of May.

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Sheffield Mild out now!

Our new mild is a darker mild at 4.6% ABV. Customers are really enjoying our newest ale with its deliciously smooth slightly malty and chocolaty taste. Landlords should order now while stocks last!

Award win at Oakwood

The Rotherham Real Ale and Music Festival 2010 was by all reports one of the best

attended festivals at Oakwood. The Sheffield Brewery enjoyed three very busy nights and Blanco Blonde was once again our most popular beer followed closely by the Five Rivers, Sheffield Porter and Crucible Best.

The brewery picked up awards for its Five Rivers in the Golden Ale category and Blanco Blonde in the Speciality Ales section. Pete Rawlinson, director, said "this was a great festival for us and we always enjoy the buzz of getting involved with the Oakwood team – we're certainly looking forward to next year's event"

Tim Stillman, head brewer, said "we have worked hard to develop our range of beers and it's really encouraging that the experts have selected our beers for these awards."



Pete is pictured pulling a few pints at the bar while Tim enjoys some "slack" time with support from Sheffield CAMRA! Can you name that man?

Wirksworth Brewery

Wirksworth brewed 'A Fair Brew' with Fair Trade honey to celebrate Fair Trade fortnight at the end of February. The beer is 4% ABV.

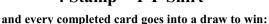


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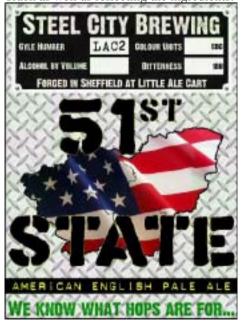
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Steel City Brewing

The Black No1 Stout proved very popular in all three variations and the brewers Dave and Gazza were pleased with how the complex chocolate and coffee flavours came out. In fact such good feedback was received about the Czarna Kawa, which was the version heavily loaded with coffee beans, that it may be brewed again as a full length brew next winter.

Moving on, Dave & Gazza have been back at Little Ale Cart Brewery's premises to do their next beers which is a return to the pale and hoppy form they love so much.

The beer uses bucket loads of American hops - Columbus, Centennial and Amarillo and is dry hopped with Amarillo for extra hop aroma and flavour. The name of the beer - 51st State - comes from a New Model Army Track as well as reflecting the ingredients.



The map outline on the pump clip however reflects where the beer is brewed - Yorkshire.

As is traditional with Steel City Brewing, two extra variations of the beer will be produced. One will be without the dry hopping and this is the second in the Bez Sucheho Chmele series, the other will be dry hopped with Citra for Doncaster Beer Festival and called Degeneration XX.

The word from the brewhouse is 51st State will be around 4.7% ABV with bitterness level at 78.2 IBU and the colour measured at 4.1ebc. So now you know exactly how pale and hoppy it will be...

Thornbridge Brewery

Growth through recession for resilient local brewing industry

Thornbridge brewery is part of a young, vibrant and 'recession-resilient' local brewing sector, which managed to buck the downward trend of the larger, global brewers and increase sales last year, according to the annual report of the Society of Independent Brewers (SIBA).

Smaller brewers grew volumes by nearly 4% in 2009, compared to an overall decline in the total UK beer market of 4.2%. Total production from SIBA members passed a million hectolitres (around 175 million pints) for the first time and the number of pubs selling local cask ales grew by 12%. [The majority of SIBA brewers, including Thornbridge, were founded after 2000, so the current recession is the most severe they have traded through.

Thornbridge's success was achieved despite

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the recession and a 20% increase in beer duty over the past two years. In today's report, SIBA publishes its pre-Election manifesto, which asks Government to reconsider the 'punitive' taxation policies that threaten the future of the local brewing industry.

Alex Buchanan, Thornbridge's Marketing Manager, says, "Local beers are relatively low in alcohol content and are generally served in the controlled environment of a pub where drinking is part of a social occasion, rather than an end in itself. As such, we believe we deserve to be treated as part of the solution to alcohol-related harm, rather than part of the problem."

He continues, "Local brewers support their local communities by employing local people, both in the breweries and in pubs and other related businesses. They are also advocates for sustainable development, employing 'green' technologies and reducing food miles.

Brewery wins Beer "Oscar"



Just like the Oscars having your product recognised by your fellow professionals as a success is fantastic in any industry.

Thornbridge brewery has just been presented with its winning "Oscar" when its

Lord Marples beer was judged Champion Bitter by the Society of Independent Brewers (SIBA).

From 1000s of entries, from hundreds of brewers across the UK Thornbridge's Lord Marples came through regional heats to the national final announced in Stratford recently.

Simon Webster, Thornbridge's Director, says, "We are very proud of our beers and delighted to win this Award, ahead of some of the finest brewers in the country. This is a reward that reflects on the skills of our brewers and on the many local pubs that have supported us. We will continue to innovate with our cask and bottled beers for many more years, and this Award will help us bring our beers to many more people."

As a winner, Thornbridge will have a place on the SIBA Champions Bar at the Great British Beer Festival in London this summer, which is visited by over 60,000 people.

Photograph: Gordon Tilley of Award sponsor Crisp Malting presenting Alex Buchanan, Marketing Manager from Thornbridge with the Award.

Spire Brewery

Some cooking tips now via the Spire Brewery Facebook group...

Beef Bourguinion made with 3 bottles of Wee Heavy (instead of the Burgundy) is absolutely the new taste of the week! Isn't beer wonderful stuff? A glass of Wee Heavy is also a great drink to wash it down with. Apparantly gravy made with Spire Sgt Pepper Stout goes very will with Shepherds pie too...



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CAMRA news - national

Tetleys latest



CAMRA has expressed its discontent at the move by Carlsberg UK to ship its iconic Tetley's cask brand from its Yorkshire heartland to Marston's of Wolverhampton. Since the announcement to shut the historic Hunslet site in Leeds was made in November 2008, CAMRA has attacked Carlsberg UK, owner of the Tetley's Leeds site, for failing to promote Tetley's beers at a time of increasing consumer interest for real ale.

As part of a national campaign, CAMRA has previously written to Carlsberg UK, offering ways to keep Tetley's cask brands brewed in the city of Leeds, and has seen mass support for its 'Save Tetley's' campaign, launched at the Great British Beer Festival in August 2009.

Bob Stukins, CAMRA Vice-Chairman, and Yorkshire resident, said: 'Carlsberg don't do geography lessons, but if they did (....?), they'd clearly realise the impact this move will have on the pub-going community in Yorkshire.

'It's unbelievable to think that a longstanding global brewer would make this move at a time when the real ale industry is enjoying year on year growth, and CAMRA's annual research is showing a steep increase in the number of consumers trying real ale for the first time.

'While it is comforting to know that Tetley's iconic cask brand will continue to be brewed by an experienced party, it is difficult to comprehend how this latest move will be received positively by pub-goers when this historic brand is stripped of its provenance and tradition in 2011 and shipped over 100 miles away from its Yorkshire heartland.'

Last chance saloon for large pub companies to reform

CAMRA, the Campaign for Real Ale, has welcomed today's Business, Innovation and Skills Select Committee Report on Pub Companies which demands major reform in the way the Large Pub Companies operate and threatens statutory intervention if these reforms are not implemented voluntarily by June 2011. The Committee also urges the Office of Fair Trading to look more carefully at the issues involved as it responds to CAMRA's super-complaint for the second time.

In addition to today's Select Committee Report the Liberal Democrats have indicated that they will pursue radical reform of the Beer Tie in the next Parliament, including a free of tie option and a guest beer right.

Mike Benner, CAMRA Chief Executive, said: 'The Large Pub Companies are now in the last chance saloon. The pub sector has had long enough to deliver self regulation and failed. They either voluntarily reform to ensure a fair deal for consumers or risk potentially punitive

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intervention from the Competition Authorities and Government.

'CAMRA is demanding that the Large Pub Companies act immediately to allow their licensees the option of selling one guest real ale purchased at free market prices. Given the popularity of locally brewed real ale it is simply crazy that most pub licensees are prevented from buying beer from their local brewers. The Large Pub Companies should also agree to a legally binding code of conduct and move quickly towards offering all their lessees a free of tie option at a fair rent

'Over half of the UK's pub licensees are prevented from buying beer on the open market at freely negotiated prices and the Large Pub Companies are exploiting this to charge licensees between 40% - 45% more than free market prices. These artificially inflated prices are passed onto consumers in the form of higher prices, reduced investment in pubs and pub closures.'

The big Sheffield Breweries that closed

Did you know it is almost 11 years since the last large scale brewery closed down in Sheffield? Wards ceased brewing in June 1999. The Stones brewery had also closed down the same year. Whitbread's Exchange Brewery closed in 1993.

Barrow Hill staffing

The organisers of Barrow Hill Rail Ale Festival, which takes place on the 21st and 22nd of May, are looking for volunteer staff to help out behind the bar.

There are various shifts between midday and 11pm and staff get free entry, free glass, free beer allowance and transport to and from Chesterfield station. If working the late shift transport may be provided back to Sheffield after closing time if enough volunteers from Sheffield work.

Anyone wishing to volunteer should contact Mark Burgess the staffing officer by emailing mark.burgess@futuretravel.co.uk.

Oakwood awards

Rotherham CAMRA organised a blind tasting session at Oakwood beer festival before it opened to judge the beer of the festival (or Champion Northern Beer of Britain as they have rather grandly titled it!).

The Champion beer was Elland 1872 Porter with the silver going to Kelham Island Pale Rider and the bronze to Kelham Island Easy Rider.

The other categroy winners included Three Bs Stoker's Slake in the mild category, Theakston Black Bull in the bitter category, Thwaites Lancaster Bomber in the best bitter category and Little Valley Fair Trade Ginger in the speciality beers category.

For our local breweries here in Sheffield congratulations to Kelham Island for their success, however a well done also to Crown Brewery who picked up a couple of silvers in the respective categories for Stannington Stout and Samuel Berry IPA and to Sheffield Brewery Company who picked up a couple of Bronze awards in the respective categories for Blanco Blonde and Five Rivers.

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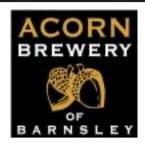
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An outside bar will showcase the range of beers brewed by Peak Ales. Inside the usual favourites plus beers from the new local Barlow Brewery.



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Castle Inn Bradway

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The new sun-trap beer garden will be open, come and drink local beers and cider in it! There will also be a hog roast and live music in the evening



Jolly Farmer Dronfield Woodhouse

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Cooking with LocAle

Whirlow Hall Farm Pork Fillet Medallions with Marsala Sauce with Sheffield Blanco Blonde



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continental style beer made with lager malt and Saaz hops from the Czech republic. The beer is not currently available in bottles, which at least is an excuse to go to the pub after your dinner, but if anyone fancies bottling it for them the brewery would be interested to hear from you!

Whirlow Hall Farm source their pork on the farm, and are proud to measure their food miles in metres.

Ingredients (serves 3-4)

1 Whirlow Hall Farm pork fillet, approx 400-500g salt and pepper

2 tbl vegetable oil

25g butter

100ml chicken stock (home made is best!)

100ml marsala wine

fresh thyme, a few sprigs

1 tsp arrowroot

Method

Firstly prepare the fillet: Trim off any fat and tissue from the fillet using a sharp knife. Cut into 1 ½ cm thick rounds and season each side with salt and pepper.

Heat the oil and butter in a frying pan until it starts to brown (very hot). Cook the fillets for 2 minutes each side, until browned. Put the fillets into an ovenproof dish, cover and warm in a low oven for 10 minutes to finish cooking.

Pour most of the fat out of the frying pan – there will be some nice brown crusty bits stuck to the pan. Add the stock and work the bits into the stock with a wooden spoon. Add the thyme and marsala, and boil until reduced by half, then sieve. The sauce will thicken, but if not thick enough mix the arrowroot with a little cold water, then add gradually stir into the sauce until it thickens.

To serve, arrange the medallions on plates and dribble the sauce over. Nice with roast potatoes and a green vegetable such as broccoli or green beans.

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Hear about the ghost of flat capped Jack and Charlie Peace's local and meet Henry Stuart, Lord Darnley. Available this Summer. Further information from Ron at bigronclayton@hotmail.co.uk or on Sheffield 2346669

Walkley Cottage



Members of Sheffield & District CAMRA spent the evening at the Walkley Cottage for the presentation of a well deserved Pub of the Month Award and enjoyed real ale at just £2 per pint and free pie and peas. Thanks for the hospitality and congratulations on the award go to Sandra, Tony and the staff!

CAMRA Meetings and socials

Friday 26th March 8:15pm - Walkabout in Nether Edge

A pub crawl of the Nether Edge area starting in the Broadfield on Abbeydale Road (buses 75/76/97/98). Alternatively meet us in the Bessemer in town and catch the bus with us.

Tuesday 30th March 8pm - National Members Weekend 2011 planning meeting

We start work planning the 2011 Members Weekend and National AGM, which we are hosting in Sheffield at the Octogan Centre and University House, including the conference, members bar, administration and excursions.

Tuesday 6th April 8pm - Branch meeting and AGM

If you are a CAMRA member in Sheffield & District you are invited to attend the branch AGM at the University Arms to debate any motions submitted, elect the new committee, hear the announement of the pub of the year winner and other formal business. The usual branch meeting then follows where we share pub, club and brewery news, brief members on any campaigning issues and more. All over a beer of course. The University Arms is on Brook Hill, just around the corner from the University tram stop and on bus routes 51, 52 and 80.

Tuesday 20th April 8pm - Beer Festival planning meeting

We meet at the New Barrack Tavern on Penistone Road to continue planning the 2010 Steel City Beer & Cider Festival due to take place this October. Buses 53 and 78 stop outside the pub.

Tuesday 27th April 8pm - Beer Matters Distribution & Committee meeting

The May issue of Beer Matters will be available at the Kelham Island Tavern on Russell Street to collect and deliver to real ale outlets in our area. Distribution volunteers normally come down around 8pm and have a social pint together before taking their copies. The monthly committee meeting takes place around the corner at the Fat Cat from 9pm.

Tuesday 4th May 8pm - Branch meeting

We share pub, club and brewery news, brief members on any campaigning issues and more. All over a beer of course. The venue this month is the Castle Inn on Twentywell Road in Bradway. Bus 53 stops at the shops at the top of Twentywell Lane or buses 97/98 stop outside Dore & Totley railway station at the bottom of Twentywell Lane.

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Contact Richard Ryan, Social Secretary, on 07956 114926

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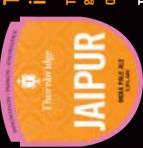


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