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The **FREE** magazine of the Sheffield & District
Branch of CAMRA (The Campaign for Real Ale)

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Tuesday 13th July 2010

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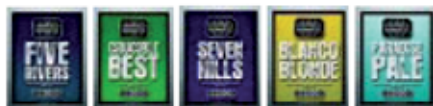
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Dates for your diary... Socials, Meetings etc.

Saturday 3rd July from 12noon - Beer Capital Survey: See page 20 for full info.

Sunday 4th July 10:30am - Day trip to Thornbridge Hall Charity Garden Party: Our minibus will take you to the annual charity day at Thornbridge Hall which offers fun for all the family with all sorts of entertainment, stalls and a Thornbridge Brewery beer tent. Entry to the garden party is £5 plus bus fare.

Tuesday 6th July 8pm - Branch meeting: Members are invited to attend to share pub, club and brewery news, catch up on what the committee and national CAMRA have been doing and discuss any issues, all over a pint of course. The venue this month is the **Mount Pleasant on Derbyshire Lane, Norton Lees**. Bus route 20.

Thursday 8th July 8pm - Members weekend planning meeting: Those involved with organising the CAMRA National Members Weekend and AGM meet at the **Rutland Arms on Brown Street, Sheffield City Centre** to discuss progress.

Saturday 10th July 12noon - RambAle: See page 22-23 for full info.

Tuesday 13th July 8pm - Local guide meeting: At the **Ball Inn, Crookes**.

Saturday 17th July - Three Valleys Festival: See page 8 for full info.

Tuesday 20th July 8pm - Beer Festival planning meeting: We continue planning this years Steel City Beer & Cider Festival which is due to take place in Cemetery Park from Thursday 29th September to Saturday 1st October. The meeting, as usual, is at the **New Barrack Tavern, Penistone Road**. Bus 53 stops outside.

Thursday 22nd July 8pm - Meet the brewer: Join us at the **Old Crown, Handsworth** to taste beers from local breweries and meet the people that brew the beer.

Saturday 24th July 11am - Bradfield Bus Crawl: See page 22-23 for full info.

Tuesday 27th July 8pm - Beer Matters distribution social & Committee meeting: The August 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 3rd to Saturday 7th August - Great British Beer Festival (Earls Court, London): See page 22-23 for full info.

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National Brewery Centre by Dave Pickersgill

I recently invested £8.90 in a Derbyshire Wayfarer ticket, caught some trains and visited the recently reopened "National Brewery Centre" in Burton-on-Trent. Originally opened in 1977, this was previously the "Coors Visitor Centre and Museum of Brewing", and before that, the "Bass Museum". It closed in 2009.



At re-opening, a press release from Planning Solutions Ltd., the company running the "visitor attraction", claimed that, "it will retain key elements of the existing facilities, updating and reorganising the site to create a unique visitor attraction that will ensure its success well into the 21st Century". Molson Coors UK are providing the buildings and artefacts at a "peppercorn rent", and donating an initial £200,000 in matched funding with a further £100,000 annually for the duration of a 25-year lease.



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Adult entrance costs £8.95, with a reduction to £7.00 for card-carrying CAMRA members. This includes tokens for four tastings. Two “tasting stations” are available, each offering a range of bottled products – the only one of real interest is White Shield. In addition, the on-site Brewery Tap offers a selection of Museum Brewery beers. On my visit, in addition to Marston’s Pedigree: Allowance Ale (3.8%), Brewery Tap (4.5%), Red Shield (4.2%), Worthington “E” (4.8%), White Shield (5%) and P2 (8%) were available. The pricing policy was interesting – P2 at £3.00/pint, Allowance at £2.70

The new operator has big plans for the centre, including the introduction of animatronics and “live” actors in full historical character, to entertain and inform visitors. On my visit, I met “George” in the Edwardian bar, who between playing the mouth organ, correctly identified the two stuffed birds on display behind the bar while I sipped my taster of White Shield.

Since my last visit, the centre has been spruced up, has a number of new exhibits and feels more “alive”. However, considering I visited on a Bank Holiday Monday, it was not exactly busy. It is worth a visit, if only to see the on-site White Shield Brewery, an impressive amount of brewing memorabilia, a large collection of brewery vehicles (the White Shield “bottle” van is impressive) and, of course, the shire horses!

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The Three Valleys Beer Festival

Saturday 17th July 2010



On Saturday 17th July, encouraged by Sheffield & District CAMRA Chairman Andrew Cullen, a plethora of pubs in Dronfield, Holmesfield, Bradway and Totley will be teaming up to bring you the Three Valleys Festival with lots of real ales to try along with entertainment and food.

To help you experience as many venues as possible a free bus service will be running between all the pubs that you can hop on and off as you please, this bus will also serve Dronfield railway station to make access to the event as simple as possible.

The first stop on the bus will be the **Jolly Farmer** which will have 12 real ales from breweries in Yorkshire and will be serving bar meals all day, special offers will be available for CAMRA members. The next stop is the **Miners Arms** which will have guest ales and real cider which can be enjoyed in the garden. Meals will be

available here at the normal hours. Next its the **Rutland Arms** where they will have 5 handpumps on the bar, dispensing beers from the "Finest Cask" scheme, then its the **Horns Inn** for a beach party with live music and Kelham Island beers.

The George & Dragon and **Angel Inn** at Holmesfield will be teaming up to bring you a festival tent in the car park with a Peak Ales bar and hog roast, plus more beers on the bar inside the pub.

On to Totley and the **Fleur de Lys** will have live music as part of the Totley Music Festival, its the Rock Finale Party with rock band Redback. Guest ales will feature and the usual value for money food menu will be available. Over the road the **Cross Scythes** will have a great range of real ales and high quality meals.

Next stop is the **Castle Inn** at Bradway which will have additional beers on from Oakwell, Bradfield and Steel City breweries, cider from Woodthorpe Hall in Holmesfield. There will be a BBQ and games in the afternoon and live music in the evening.

The **Hearty Oak** at Dronfield Woodhouse will have 9 real ales with beers from Abbeydale Brewery plus interesting guests from around the country. The theme for the entertainment is American with classic cars, music, dancing and a BBQ.

Last, but certainly not least, the **Coach & Horses** is hosting "Beers, Blues and BBQ". The action is out front in the outdoor area with live blues music at 2pm & 7pm and a Southern style BBQ in the afternoon. The pub will have beers from Thornbridge as usual, plus the festival bar will host guest ales from Brewdog, Fyne Ales, Marble, Dark Star, Roosters, Sharps and Hawkshead.



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Cooking with LocAle Buffalo Beer Pie

Did you realise there is a herd of buffalo roaming round Chesterfield? Peak Buffalo have 350 water buffalo at Eastmoor, and sell their meat at various farmer's markets in the South Yorkshire and Derbyshire area, as well as at their sister shop "Farmhouse Kitchen" at Barns Lane, Dronfield Woodhouse, which stocks a big range of high quality meats and delicatessen products. Their meat is 100% traceable, and certified organic, as well as having a lower fat content than beef.



This slow cooked dish is made richer by the addition of **Bradfield Farmer's Brown Cow**, a creamy deep chestnut ale with a dry finish, brewed at Bradfield, only 20 minutes from Sheffield city centre.

Ingredients (serves 4)

- 1kg Buffalo meat, cubed
(for slow cooking)
- 1 tbsp plain flour
- Sunflower oil
- Salt and pepper
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 2 carrots, diced
- 2 celery stalks, diced
- 1 pint beef stock
- 1 bottle/pint Farmer's Brown Cow
- 2 tbsp tomato purée
- Fresh thyme leaves (or other herbs)
- 200g cold mashed potato
- 150g self-raising flour
- ½ tsp salt
- Black pepper
- 120g butter
- 1 egg, beaten

Method:

Toss the meat in the flour, salt and pepper and, in a large saucepan, add 1 tbsp sunflower oil and brown the meat all over. Remove from pan. Brown the onion, carrot and celery in the same pan. Return meat to pan, and add herbs, tomato purée, stock and beer. Bring to the boil. Transfer to a slow cooker and cook for 8-9 hours on low heat (or a casserole in a low oven for 3-4 hours) until tender. Transfer the meat and vegetables to a pie dish. In a large frying pan, boil down the sauce until rich and thick, taste and season, then pour over the meat.

Pre-heat oven to 200C/400F/Gas 6. Whizz the flour, salt, pepper and butter in a food processor for 30 seconds until it looks like

breadcrumbs. Transfer to a large bowl and mix in the potato. If necessary, add a touch of water to bind it together (it won't need much, if any). Put in a plastic bag and chill for at least 30 minutes. Roll out the pastry and lay over the pie dish, pressing down the edges. Trim the edges and make a couple of dinky pastry horns with the trimmings. Brush the pastry with egg wash. Bake the pie for 35-45 minutes until well browned.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I read your feature on the **Beer Capital Survey** with interest as we in Derby do our Annual Beer Census on similar lines. In the spirit of friendly rivalry, I offer the following comments with regard to your "Beer Capital Of England" claim.

Derby CAMRA usually counts around 140/150 different beers. Our crawl starts early evening and is a walking tour of the city done by 7/8 groups. Given the relative size of Sheffield compared to Derby and the much larger landscape of pubs your figure of 200 is very good. Ours is perhaps even more impressive with our smaller catchment area, but of course it's not all about numbers. We love coming over to Sheffield and visiting your many excellent pubs, especially the Kelham Island Tavern and The Sheffield Tap. I would however recommend our two Beer Festivals to your readers.

Our Summer Festival is in the top 5 in the country for attendance, beer choice and quality, and our Winter Festival is growing rapidly at a new historic venue next year. Oh yes, we also have a Beer King, the only one in the country, who has now reigned for 5 years. He meets up with his Osnabruck counterpart King Ferdi to open each other's festivals.

Our Tourist Unit offers Beer Weekends and calls us "**The Beer Capital of the Midlands**". Last year Wetherspoons named us "**Beer Capital Of England**" as two of the Derby outlets were 1st and 3rd on the list of their pubs selling most real ale at their beer festival.

Anyway we both think we're great Beer Cities and Beer Capitals, so in the spirit of friendly rivalry as mentioned earlier, let's toast each other and maybe have an annual meet up in each city.

Les Baynton (Derby CAMRA Festival Publicity)

Letters to the Editor are always welcome - please send them to beermatters@sheffieldcamra.org.uk not forgetting to include your full name and address (your address will not be published)

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Local Brewery News

Kelham Island Brewery:

It was 20 years ago that the Kelham Island brewers went into the cellars of the Fat Cat pub in Alma Street Sheffield to work on some rare brews. This was to be known as the “Exile on Alma Street” period for the brewery, and recent revisits to the cellar have revealed the recipe to a long lost unbrewed classic called “Tumbling Dice”, which has now been brewed at 6% and is described as a full bodied traditional IPA with a hint of sweetness, balanced with the bitterness of a unique Blend of hops from around the World.



Kelham Island have also, as you might expect, brewed a special World Cup beer, which is a light and refreshing golden ale, with a clean, crisp flavour, brewed with traditional English Hops and is called “Ing-ger-Land” as per the supporters chant!

Kelham also took part in the Sheffield Food and Drink Festival, where they provided the Sheffield Breweries “Summer Beers” tent. Beers from Crown, Abbeydale, Bradfield, Sheffield Brewery Company, The Brew Company and Kelham Island provided a great choice for the local cask ale enthusiast. A

couple of days of good weather ensured the whole festival was a great success.

As part of the festival, the wily old brewer, Nigel Turnbull was out again at Silversmiths Restaurant and Bar on Arundel Street and gave an interesting and informative talk. The food there is excellent and bottled Kelham beers are always on sale.

On Friday 4th June, Kelham launched a new product, “Island Premium”, which will be hitting the shelves shortly and is only available in 330ml bottles; it is brewed using lager malt to produce a refreshing blonde beer. If you enjoy Kelham’s bottled beers, they can be purchased at Waitrose, Tesco and Asda.

June also sees the St Luke’s Hospice Garden party take place. Kelham have donated two barrels of beer with all the proceeds going to charity. Iain and little Ross Kemp have given up their day to run the bar.

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If you are visiting New York this summer you will be pleased to know that Pale Rider is now available in the USA, brewed at the Rohrbachs Brewery and selling well.

Some dates to pencil in your diary are 19th, 20th & 21st of August when the Fat Cat's 29th Birthday Beer Festival.

Finally if you saw the bit on the BBC about the Sheffield bobbies who "won" the European Cup. One of those slim young coppers from 28 years ago was Kelham's very own, Mick, in sales!

Bradfield Brewery:

On Tuesday 15th June, for the first time ever, Bradfield Brewery delivered beer by horse drawn dray... and where else to deliver it to than their own the pub, "The Nags Head" in Loxley. "Charlie" and "China", the brewery's Percheron horses made the delivery with the brewery's traditional brewery dray.

Thornbridge Brewery:

In June 2005 Thornbridge first brewed an IPA style beer named "Jaipur", since then it has gained enormous success across the UK by winning in excess of 60 Beer Festival awards. It has earned tremendous plaudits from, amongst others, Roger Protz, the Editor of the Good Beer Guide who describes the beer as "glorious". Jaipur is now available in cask and bottles across the UK and has gained many fans in the US, Europe, New Zealand and Australia.

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To mark the 5th anniversary of Jaipur first being brewed Thornbridge engaged renowned poster artist Martin F Bedford to produce a Jaipur poster. Bedford produced posters at The Leadmill, Sheffield's premier music venue, in the 1980/90s for an eclectic mix of groups including the Pogues, Wishbone Ash, Pulp and the Fall. As a fan of Jaipur, Bedford was happy to take on the assignment and after visiting the brewery was impressed by the hard, technical work and creative aspects that go into producing premium beers such as Jaipur. The poster is now available for sale, go to www.jaipuripa.com for more information or ring Thornbridge on 01629 64 1000.



Thornbridge has now started supplying Sheffield's Abbeydale Sports Club with a range of their multi-award winning beers. Jaipur IPA and Wild Swan were introduced to customers in the club house on a curry night.

The brewery is also supporting the first Bakewell Acoustic Music Festival (www.bamf.co.uk) due to take place on the Bakewell Showground from 13th to 15th August.

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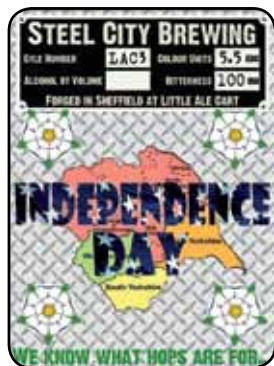
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Barlow Brewery:

Barlow Brewery have showcased their beers at several beer festivals recently, with “Carnival” and “Heath Robinson” both proving popular at the Barrow Hill Rail Ale Festival and “Barlow Black” was a tasty treat at the Welland Valley Festival!



Steel City Brewing:

Steel City finally have their own brewing license from HMRC. The first beer under their own license will be “Independence Day”, which weighs in at 4.7%. It’s described as having 100IBU’s of Columbus goodness, combined with a massive flame-off charge of Centennial, Cascade and Citra hops!

Now they have their own license, they will finally be able to brew monthly as planned, so look out for their beers appearing more often.

Sheffield Brewery:

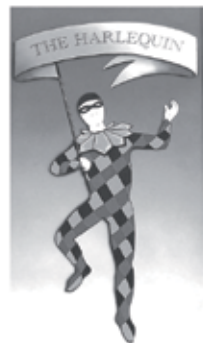
Recent new brews have included a Golden Mild and a special hoppy World Cup beer.

The Brew Company:

The Brew Company has announced that it is to overhaul their beer range throughout the summer. Brewer, Pete Roberts explained “The beer range we started with two years ago covered most styles of beer from dark bitters to IPA’s, but obviously through experience and time we have been able to identify what styles drinkers like most. Since July 2009 I have been experimenting with different yeasts and hops to see what we can achieve and now we feel the time is right for a radical change in our whole beer range”.

Their regular beers will become seasonal, such as “St Petrus Stout”, “Eclipse Porter” and “Abyss Best Bitter”, whilst a new range of paler, hoppy beers will become regular features. Also in the pipeline during 2010 will be a new range of exciting fruit beers to match the season!





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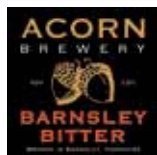
It's time once again for our branch to carry out its annual census of all the pubs across our city. With the help of you we will be doing a selection of pub crawls, during the afternoon and evening of *Saturday 3rd July 2010*, to complete the Beer Capital Survey for this year. The survey will give us up to date details of all the pubs in our city, beer prices and to prove, during the course of just one day, why Sheffield earns the name of the Beer Capital of Britain!

Join us for the afternoon crawls all starting at midday. Everyone is welcome and there promises to be a varied selection of beers and pubs to sample en route.

Route 1: Meet at the Old Mother Redcap (bus route 25/25A/M17), Bradway then onto the Devonshire Arms (Dore), Hare & Hounds, Cricket Inn (Totley), the Cross Scythes, Castle Inn (Bradway), Woodseats Palace (Woodseats), Red Lion, White Lion and ending up in the Sheaf View at Heeley. This crawl will be led by Andy Cullen.

Route 2: Meet at the Commercial, Chapeltown (bus route 265) then onto the Wharncliffe Arms, the Rawson Spring (Hillsborough), the Nags Head (Loxley), the Plough (Low Bradfield), and finally onto the Royal Hotel (Dungworth). Mike Humphrey will be at the helm of this one.

Route 3: Meet at the Hammer & Pincers (Bents Green) (bus route 81/82/83/88),



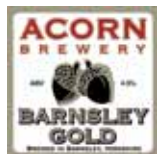
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then next to the Prince of Wales, the Psalter, the Lescar, the Porter Brook, Champs, the Lord Nelson, the Swim Inn and coming to an end at the Bath Hotel. Your leader on this walk about will be Alan Gibbons.

Route 4: Meet at the Cobden View Crookes (bus route 52), then the Grindstone, Noah's Ark, The Ball, Walkley Cottage, Freedom House, Springvale (Commonside), Closed Shop, Hallamshire House and finally the Fox and Duck. Rob Carroll will take charge of leading this crawl if you fancy coming along.

Route 5: Meet at the Three Merry Lads, Lodge Moor (bus route 51), then heading off to the Sportsman (Crosspool), the Rising Sun, the Ranmoor Inn, the Fox and Duck, Nottingham House and the Francis Newton. Look out for John Beardshaw, who will be the designated leader.

Route 6: Meet at the Bankers Draft, for this afternoon City Centre tour, which takes in the Carlton (Attercliffe), the Greyhound, Dove & Rainbow (City Centre), Wig & Pen, the Museum, Benjamin Huntsman, Henrys, the Waterworks, and the Grapes, before concluding at the Red Deer.

Route 7: The alternative afternoon survey trip of the City Centre commences at the Bankers Draft, then off to the Old Queens Head, Sheffield Tap, Showroom, the Howard, Rutland Arms, Red Lion, the Graduate, the Crucible Corner, the Fox and Duck, the Devonshire Cat, the Forum, the Old House and finally the Frog and Parrot.

If you can't make the Saturday afternoons don't worry, because you can still get involved in the Beer Capital Survey by coming along on one of the three evening walk a-rounds. All these start at the University Arms at 7pm. Then you have the choice of which route you want to take around the City centre, before all ending up for a final drink together at the Kelham Island Tavern before heading home.

Route A: The Rawson Spring, the New Barrack Tavern, the Hillsborough Hotel and the Kelham Island Tavern.

Route B: The Gardeners Rest, the Wellington, the Milestone, the Ship and the Kelham Island Tavern. **Route C:** the East House, the Harlequin, the Riverside, the Fat Cat and the Kelham Island Tavern.

Whichever route you take you can choose to take part is as little or as much of the survey you choose. Whatever way you want to help, you will be more than welcome to give us a hand to visit and appreciate the excellent number and variety of pubs and beers Sheffield has to offer! Come along for a social drink with fellow branch members and assist in the Beer Capital Survey 2010.

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Social events round-up

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Saturday 10th July 12:00 - RambAle: We meet on TM Travel bus 214 departing Sheffield Interchange at midday for Fox House, from where we walk through Ringinglow and the Porter Valley, with suitable refreshment stops in pubs along the way, finishing at the ***Rising Sun in Nether Green*** for a few beers at their ***Sunfest Beer Festival***. This is a moderate walk of about 8 miles. Suggested travel ticket is a South Yorkshire Daytripper.

Saturday 17th July 12pm - Three Valleys Festival: We catch the 12:05 train from Sheffield to Dronfield, where a free bus service will take us to and between a number of pubs in Dronfield, Holmesfield, Totley and Bradway all of which will be hosting mini beer festivals with food and other attractions. The bus will return you to Dronfield station at the end too.

Saturday 24th July 11am - Bradfield Bus Crawl: We meet at the Rawson Spring Wetherspoon pub in Hillsborough for breakfast before heading over the road to Hillsborough Interchange for the 'Bradfield Rural Link' service bus 61/62. We split into two parties spread across two buses with one group heading to the Nags Head at Loxley where beers from Bradfield Brewery are available at a reasonable price,

A watercolor-style illustration of a traditional English pub, The Angler's Rest. The building is a two-story structure with a dark roof and white walls. A large tree stands to the right of the building. The text 'The Angler's Rest' is written in a large, elegant, cursive font across the top of the illustration.

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the other heading to the Royal Hotel at Dungworth where an exclusive house beer 'Royal Bitter' from Crown Brewery is available. Both groups then rejoin buses to go to Bradfield Brewery for a brewery tour and lots of their beer to drink (brewery visit cost is £10 including beer). We all then take the short walk into High Bradfield village for the Old Horns Inn which has a selection of beer from Thwaites, and on down to Low Bradfield for the Plough Inn which offers Bradfield beers plus guest ales and food will be available here. The groups then split again to visit either the Nags Head or Royal Hotel, before dropping back to Hillsborough Interchange for buses and trams back towards Sheffield City Centre. Places are limited and should be booked in advance via Richard Ryan (**07956 114926** or **social@sheffieldcamra.org.uk**)

Tuesday 3rd to Saturday 7th August - Great British Beer Festival (Earls Court, London): A group from Sheffield & District branch will be heading down to London to work as volunteers at GBBF, CAMRA's flagship national beer festival - why not join them? Free accommodation is provided each night with breakfast, a subsidised staff canteen is available for lunch and evening meal at the venue and a free staff bar is also provided at the venue. There will also be a heritage pub crawl for staff on the Monday night before the festival opens. We suggest travelling down Monday afternoon and back Sunday afternoon. Apply to staff online at **www.camra.org.uk/gbbfstaffing** and also don't forget the cheapest tickets to London on the trains, buses and coaches require you to book well in advance.



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Local Ale Tasting Kelham Island - Pale Rider

Pale Rider is produced by The Kelham Island Brewery based near to the Fat Cat pub on Alma Street in Sheffield. They started up in 1990 using equipment from Oxford Brewery and they became the first new brewery to start up in Sheffield in the twentieth century.

Increased success (and production) meant that they had to move to bigger premises nearby in 1999, but the original Brewhouse can still be viewed (it is now a Visitor Centre).

Kelham's range of beers now include 4 regular and a number of seasonal brews, these include Easy Rider (similar to Pale Rider, but less alcoholic at 4.3%), Bete Noire (a dark winter beer at 5.5%) and Best Bitter (a good standard bitter at 3.8%). Look out for their beers around Sheffield, especially during the Pub Census, and also at pubs nationwide.

Pale Rider is named after the 1985 Clint Eastwood western and was first brewed in 1993 as a special beer for that spring. It soon became so popular that Kelham Island made it part of their regular beer selection and it's now one of their most



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popular brands. The beer weighs in at 5.2% ABV and is brewed using British and Continental malts and a combination of hops (including North American hops).

Pale Rider is, as its name suggests, a pale beer. It's straw coloured with quite a lively light coloured head that lasts pretty well. There's quite a bit of carbonation present and the texture is smooth and quite full bodied. The aroma is rather hoppy, but this is mixed with a maltiness and slightly fruity smell. The scent is stronger than a lot of beers, but not unpleasant. Instead it gives a sneak preview in the aroma of what delights are to come in the taste! It feels quite lively in the mouth too; it is a bit spicy and makes your mouth feel slightly tingly. A bit like the sensation you get when you eat a citrus fruit or something that is spiced.

What you have to remember is that Pale Rider is deceptively strong! It is a beer with a lot of different flavours to get your taste buds working. To start with I got the taste of citrus and then the slight spiciness came through. There is a bit of fruitiness, a warm spiciness and a slight floral quality that gives Pale Rider depth and interest. This is followed by malt and a bit of sweetness, rather like honey and a faint caramel flavour. This is all levelled out by the distinct bitterness of the hops and what you are left with is a well crafted and well balanced beer. The overall feel is refreshing and it is easy to forget you are drinking a beer of over 5%.

My last pint of Pale Rider was sampled in The Fat Cat. This however, was the Fat Cat in Norwich! This is a testament to how far beers can travel and how well received Pale Rider is throughout the country.

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Local Pub News

The June Pub of the Month award was presented by Chairman, Andy Cullen (pictured) to Rob and Julia at **The Rising Sun** on a presentation night where some excellent beer and sandwiches were enjoyed. The team from Abbeydale Brewery were also present!

June Wheelhouse, who was manager of the **White Lion, Heeley** for several years took over the nearby **Shakespeare on Well**

Road at the end of April. Real ale has been reintroduced with Taylor's Landlord, Tetley Bitter and a rotating guest at present, with more handpumps to be installed shortly.

The Crown, Walkley remains closed but the **Old Heavygate Inn** has re opened after eight months. This historic pub dating from 1696 has an enthusiastic new manager, Craig Barlow who is selling Greene King IPA and Old Trip and has a new menu for bar food. Karaoke is on Saturday nights and he is hoping to get involved in community activities and is planning special events for Summer including Bar-B-Qs.



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Following on from Dovestock 2 in June, **The Dove & Rainbow** will be hosting a selection of bands for the Tramlines Music Festival and is combining the event with a Local Ales Beer Festival starting on Friday 23rd July. If Punch won't let them stock local products on a regular basis (except Easy Rider which is a permanent feature) then this is the only way for them to do it, so look out for more local ale festivals in the future!

The Old Sidings in Dronfield town centre and the **Hen & Chickens in Sheffield** City Centre are both for sale freehold.

Champs Sports Bar, Ecclesall Road is showing all the World Cup action on 36 screens throughout the building. Whether you are sitting in the restaurant or standing in the bar, the atmosphere will be electric. They offer 6 real ales from award winning local breweries Kelham Island and Thornbridge.

The latest pub to join the LocAle scheme is **Trippets on Trippet Lane**, which has a new General Manager, Peter Roberts (no relation to Pete Roberts of the Brew Company!). 6 real ales are available, all from local breweries. A meet the brewer night is planned for Tuesday 20th July with tutored beer tastings and food featured.

The Varsity on West Street is to close for 2 weeks for refurbishment once the World Cup is over and we are told that the new look will be quite a different style from now!

The Rose at High Green now has real ale available in the form of John Smiths Cask Bitter, a second beer from the Enterprise list is expected to join it soon.

The Old Crown, Handsworth is planning a meet the brewer evening on 22nd July.

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The Common Room on Division Street, which is an American Pool Lounge, now has 2 real ales available on the main bar, both from local breweries, on the Editor's last visit the beers were Abbeydale Moonshine and Kelham Island White Falcon.

The Noah's Ark, Crookes has also re-opened selling Black Sheep Bitter. Kevin & Tracy Ryder, who have run other pubs in the area, welcome customers old and new. There is a lively karaoke every Friday night.

A blues music trail featuring real ale pubs will be part of the Tramlines music festival in Sheffield from 23rd - 25th July. The pubs which will have live blues music over this weekend are: **Bath Hotel, University Arms, Hillsborough Hotel, New Barrack Tavern, Gardeners Rest, Fat Cat, Kelham Island Tavern, Riverside** and **Harlequin**.

The University Arms will also be hosting a BBQ on Friday tea time and Saturday afternoon. More information on the gigs and the rest of the Tramlines festival can be found on their website at www.tramlines.org.uk.

Guest beers for July at the **Sheffield Tap** will include Saltaire, St Peters and Fyne Ales. This should also be accompanied by the introduction of an outside seating area. They also now have Hogans Draft Cider, and also 5 Real bottled ciders.

The Old Hall Inn at Whitehough (near Chinley – about a 15 minute walk from the station) has been judged the winner of **Derbyshire Pub of the Year** and now goes forward into the East Midlands regional competition. Also recently announced as the **Yorkshire Cider Pub of the year** is the **Hop & Vine in Hull** and the **East Midlands Cider Pub of the Year** is the **Arkwright Arms at Sutton-Cum-Duckmanton** near Chesterfield.

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***Friday 23rd July* - Tom Rodwell**

***Saturday 24th July* - Beat Merchants**

***Sunday 25th July* - Sean Mac**

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