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# BEER MATTERS

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Pub of the Year  
The Kelham Island  
Tavern*

*District  
Pub of the Year  
The Anglers Rest,  
Millers Dale*



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Beer and food at The York

The Great Wall of Cider at The Rutland  
plus all the details of the Three Valleys Festival!



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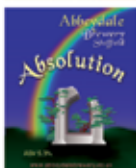
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**Deception 4.1%**

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beer\*

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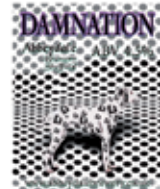
**Absolution 5.3%**

Champion Beer of  
Yorkshire 2011\*

Awarded at the White Rose Festival, Magna  
Feb 2011.

## Specials for May

**Damnation 4.5%**



Pale beer with lots  
of hop character  
and a long bitter  
finish.

## Dr Morton's Rabbit Punch



**4.1%** Golden beer  
with malt and  
biscuit flavours and  
fruity hops.



# Local Brewery News



## **Thornbridge Brewery - [www.thornbridgebrewery.co.uk](http://www.thornbridgebrewery.co.uk)**

Thornbridge brewery has agreed an exclusive partnership with Waitrose to sell its award winning bottled beers across their stores. Three beers will be launched on the 18th April; Jaipur IPA, Kipling South Pacific Pale Ale and Wild Swan White Gold Pale Ale.

Sensoria, the UK's festival of film, music and digital, returns for its fourth year this April/May and this year it's expanding. The festival will grow from 7 to 10 days and has more venues on board than ever before.

Earlier this year, Sensoria, the UK's festival of film, music and digital, launched a beer mat design competition in association with Thornbridge Brewery, where applicants were asked to design a series of up to four beer mats relating to music and film. Beating off tough competition and a number of high quality designs was winner Robin Byles.

Thornbridge's Alex Buchanan commented: "Despite strong competition, we were particularly taken with Robin's design which features lyrics from famous Sheffield bands. There was a great deal of thought behind the choice of lyrics and the design concept."

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**d'beers**



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**Abbeydale Brewery - [www.abbeydalebrewery.co.uk](http://www.abbeydalebrewery.co.uk)**

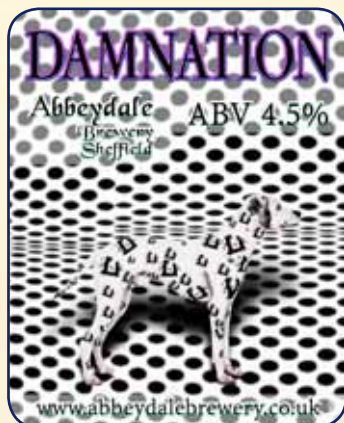
Abbeydale completed implementation of its new 30bbl fermenter a few weeks ago and is now able to take full advantage of its new brewhouse to produce up to 30 bbl of wort in a single brew. Work is now continuing to extend cool storage areas and do other bits and pieces all of which will lead to an increased capacity. The new brewing area is looking quite smart too with all the time and money spent on sealing the walls and tiling the floors in the new unit really paying off.

The specials for May are two new beers, though one is a re-use of an old pumpclip. **Dr Morton's Rabbit Punch** at 4.1% is a golden, hoppy beer and **Damnation** at 4.5% is a pale, rather bitter beer in the style of a modern IPA. Sue Morton of Abbeydale said "Damnation is one of my all-time favourite pumpclips but the beer we originally designed for it was disappointing so this time we have completely reformulated it and I hope it will become one of my all-time favourite beers!"

**Steel City Brewing - [www.steelcitybrewing.co.uk](http://www.steelcitybrewing.co.uk)**

Steel City's April beers weigh in at 5% and a massive 120IBU. The main brew, Decadent & Desperate (named after a Mortis song, but of course you all knew that already...) was hopped at almost every conceivable stage of the brewing process - Citra in the mash and the sparge, a First Wort Hop charge of Citra, some Columbus at the start of the boil, Citra at various stages during the boil...

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## *The Angler's Rest*

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Fri 6th	M & J Blues 9pm
Sat 7th	Jim O'Mahoney 9pm
Fri 13th	John Keane and Friends 9pm
Sat 14th	Black Hares 9pm (see below)
Thurs 19th	Scandi Session 9pm
Fri 20th	Jackalope Tales 9pm
Sat 21st	Five Rivers 9pm
Thurs 26th	Galactic Session 9pm
Fri 27th	Billy Martin Jnr. 9pm
Sat 28th	Robin Hoare 9pm

## Quiz Night

Every Sunday  
from 9pm  
A general  
knowledge quiz  
(free) followed  
by the  
'On the Spot'  
Raffle quiz  
with the  
chance to win  
up to £150  
(tickets 50p)



**Saturday 14th May**  
**Eddy's Birthday Party**  
Music from the Black Hares, general  
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### Normal Opening Hours

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Tel: 0114 2724978 e-mail: [gardenersrest@btinternet.com](mailto:gardenersrest@btinternet.com)

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Citra and Chinook at flame-off, more Citra and Chinook in the fermenter, and finally some more Citra in the cask. A tongue-in-cheek variant was produced to coincide with the CAMRA Members' Weekend, entitled BAGS (Beard And Gut Society)! We also got in on the royal wedding act, with 'No Future' (whether this refers to the marriage or the royal family is for the drinker to decide...). Finally, a special version was produced for Doncaster Beer Festival - dry-hopped at 4 times our usual rate ( a 3:1 ratio of Citra and Chinook), and aptly named A Slight Case of Overhopping (again full credit to those who spot the music reference). The mini-kit was used to brew a 6%, 140IBU single-hop Citra IPA.

For May, we brewed Weapons of Mouth Destruction, using Green Bullet, Nelson Sauvin and Simcoe hops. Looking further ahead, June should see a porter, while the summer will see a German theme, with Stahlstadt Ersatzkolsch, Stahlstadt Alt and Stahlstadt Hopfenweiss.

***Crown Brewery - [www.crownbrewery.co.uk](http://www.crownbrewery.co.uk)***

Crown brewery will be brewing a mild for CAMRA's mild month, which will be available from mid May. A new beer that is out now is Near Enough, a 4.5% IPA and making a return is Royal Crown a 3.9% pale session bitter.

***Welbeck Abbey Brewery, Nottinghamshire***



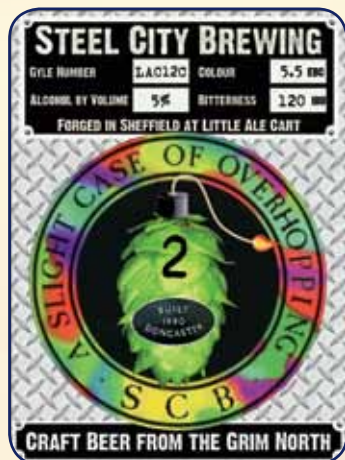
This new brewery is part of Welbeck, a village centred around the stunning Welbeck Abbey. The microbrewery is housed in a listed barn at the centre of this country estate, and will be producing cask ales available in the local area from May. The first beer will be a pale ale called 'First Brew', however we will be brewing a range of different styles of beer throughout the year. To follow the progress of the brewery, become a fan on facebook: Welbeck Abbey Brewery, and follow their

blog: ***[www.welbeckabbeybrewery.blogspot.com](http://www.welbeckabbeybrewery.blogspot.com)***.

***Kirkstall Brewing Company***

According to Head Brewer Dave Sanders, The Kirkstall Brewery is set to come on stream on Wednesday 20th April. All the preparation in the brewhouse should be completed by then, and the yeast is due to be collected on the Tuesday.

All other ingredients are in place and raring to go! The first brew will be named Kirkstall Pale Ale at 4% ABV, and the second will be a porter called Black Band Porter – a reference to a local coal seam – and will be 5.5%ABV. Both beers should be available at Skipton Beer Festival.





## Fantastic Spring events at The University Arms

The University Arms is now firmly back on the map in the heart of Sheffield's real ale circuit. Over the past few weeks they've brought us a fantastic selection of local beers, as well as some of the best of British beers.



Now that spring has arrived, we can start to

enjoy the longer evenings and the glorious British sunshine. The University Arms' beer garden is one of Sheffield's few city centre outdoor drinking spaces and a fantastic haven for the summer. With all of their live music events, it's going to be our first port of call for the next sunny day.

### Top events include:

- Saturday 7 May – Zak Black, musician.
- Saturday 21 May – The Hummingbirds, musicians.
- Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 June – Cider Festival with over 25 ciders from around the UK as well as last year's National Gold and Silver winners.
- Every third Thursday of the month – Bluegrass Soul, musicians.

During the Cider Festival weekend there'll be live music from local bands and a BBQ available from 2pm – 7pm on Saturday and 2pm – 6pm on Sunday, serving flame grilled, locally sourced produce.

The University Arms' traditional pub food has our mouths watering, and over the next few weeks there'll be some new dishes to sample, including Sally's Homemade Quiche and their take on Ploughman's Lunch.

**For more details of what's happening  
at the University Arms, why not look them up  
on Facebook, [www.facebook.com/universityarms](http://www.facebook.com/universityarms)  
or visit their website, [www.withUS.com/drink](http://www.withUS.com/drink)**



# Local Pub, Club & Beer Festival news...

The programme of guest and seasonal ales at the **Old Queens Head** (behind Sheffield Interchange) has been proving popular, with Young's Dr Okells, Thwaites Black Magic Stout, Thwaites Bloomin' Ale (a wheat beer) and Yorkshire Terrier appearing during April and expected in May so far is Castle Rock Harvest Pale and Thwaites Bee Good (an amber beer made with Lancashire Heather Honey).

Wells' classic Banana Bread Beer made a rare appearance in Sheffield on cask recently when it appeared on the bar at the **Graduate in the City Centre**.

At the **Old Crown, Handsworth**, three handpumps are now back in use with a beer from Bradfield Brewery and changing guests.

**The Cutlers at Gleadless** is to become an Indian/Bangladeshi restaurant, although the owners are considering offering bottled beers from local breweries to accompany meals.

Alison Newbold has become the new bar manager at the **Hillsborough Hotel**, having previously been front of house Manager at the Leadmill. Having worked in the industry for many years she is looking forward to this new challenge, and is looking forward to meeting all customers old and new.

A correction to the new local guide - **The Green Dragon in Dronfield** offers two real ales, currently Tetley Bitter and Theakston's Bitter.

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**Thursday** - Acoustic Session (Join in or just enjoy!) 9pm

**Sunday** - That's Entertainment Quiz 9pm Win A Gallon

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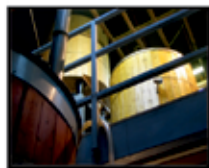
Watch out this month for our May special celebrating Mild Month. We have brewed a traditional Mild full of a variety of rich dark roast malts. Also look out for our 4.4% Sheffield Porter awarded Gold in the Porter category at the Magna Festival and second overall.

## Core Beer Range

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Crucible Best 3.8%  
Blanco Blonde 4.2%  
Seven Hills 4.2%  
Sheffield Porter 4.4%  
Sheffield IPA 4.7%  
Plus monthly specials

## Brewery Tours

Book the brewery for a tour or your own private party. Sample a range of our beers along with a pie and peas supper and an informed tour of the brewery.



## .....STOP PRESS.....

Following the success of the trial version of our Tramlines bitter brewed as the official beer of the annual TRAMLINES music festival in July, it is now available all the time. It has proved very popular in two new outlets on West Street, so pop into The Wick@ Both Ends or The Harley and give it a try.



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or (0114) 2724978 (Eddy, Gardeners Rest)

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**The Ball on Myrtal Road** is closed and boarded up.

**The New Barrack Tavern** are holding a charity day on Saturday 4th June in aid of Western Park Hospital, billed as an all day music Festival.

Richard Westran is the new manager of the **Old Grindstone, Crookes** having moved from the Mason's Arms in Wickersly. The beers are Greene King IPA, Abbot Ale and a rotating guest, Old Speckled Hen on a recent visit. There is a new menu with breakfasts starting at £2.99 served from 9am and bar snacks and main meals from noon until 9pm. At the moment Wednesday is Curry Club, curry and a pint for £5.20 and with a quiz night planned and pool, snooker and darts there is something for everyone.

Dronfield is to have its first Beer and music festival. Based at **Hill Top Club, Hill Top Road, Dronfield.**

To celebrate the Royal Wedding, from the afternoon of Friday 29th April – 1st May. Free entry on Friday, Sunday, Monday. Small charge of £3 for the Saturday evening as there will be a big band on (Party Poppers), 1pm-midnight all days until barrels dry!!!

All Local Beers from Sheffield and Chesterfield including Kelham, Abbeydale, Raw, Brampton, Spire, Sheffield Brewery, The Brew Co., Crown and Bradfield. All to be sold at £1.20 a half irrespective of strength. (also wines and ciders will be available)

Live entertainment from Local Bands including Scuppered on Sunday, Barlow singers on Friday and Party Poppers on Saturday. Food available throughout with bar snacks and on Friday cut price restaurant. Children welcome on Monday for Dronfields got talent, disco etc

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**The Angler's Rest at Handsworth** has begun selling cask beer. They currently have Bombardier and Jennings's Bitter; both of which are cheaper than the keg.n sale. These will change occasionally. This is the fourth of the five pubs in Handsworth to sell cask beer, albeit only a couple in each pub.

**Roosters Brewery** has been sold to Ian Fozard of **Market Town Taverns** and will be managed by his two sons from next year, with the brewery founders staying on as consultants until then.

**The Greystones** has changed the dates of their comedy club, it now takes place on the first Thursday of the month.

**D'Beers** is bucking the trend of the cash 'n' carry style off-license, they aim to be your friendly, traditional and local beer shop. D'Beers has a wide range of beers and ales from local and national brewers that will impress real ale enthusiasts.



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# Pub of the Month - May 2011

## The Harlequin, Sheffield

The Harlequin on Nursery Street was formerly a Wards house known as the Manchester Hotel. It fell out of favour in the 1990's and early 2000's and then closed for a time. New owners re-opened it in September 2006 and decided to re-name it after the recently demolished pub around the corner on Johnson Street. The introduction of a large range of real ales together with other improvements transformed the pub and led to 2 Camra Pub of the Month Awards.

Liz Aspden and Pete Roberts took over the licence in March 2010. Pete had already established an excellent relationship with the pub in his capacity as brewer at the Brew Company on Carlisle Street. The brewery supplied one of the 2 house beers and at least one of the guest ales.

Liz and Pete have not changed the winning formula. However since their arrival both house beers, Harlequin Blonde and Harlequin Best Bitter, are now supplied by the Brew Company. The beer range is still equally impressive but more Brew Company beers can be found on the bar. A range of American craft beers has also been introduced to complement the Belgian beers and continental favourites. A more significant change has been the massive extension of the real cider range which has now increased to 10 making the Harlequin one of the City's principal providers. On the food front Liz has introduced Sunday roasts with all the trimmings. The food is home-cooked and locally sourced.

The Harlequin attracts a diverse range of customers. The pub provides the venue for a number of clubs and societies. It is the meeting place of the Sheffield Forum and the pub hosts a thriving chess club. An upstairs room is available for parties. The pub has also developed as deserved reputation as a music venue. Live music is on offer every Saturday night and occasionally on Thursday and Friday nights as well. A popular general knowledge quiz and "Play Your Cards Right" is held every Wednesday.

*The quality of the ale is only matched by the warmth of the welcome at the Harlequin making it a very popular choice as Camra's Pub of the Month for May. Please come along on the 10th to see the presentation of the award.*



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**Green Onions - Rhythm 'n' Blues - 15th May**

**Black Hares - Folk - 22nd May**

**Impressions - Jazz - 29th May**

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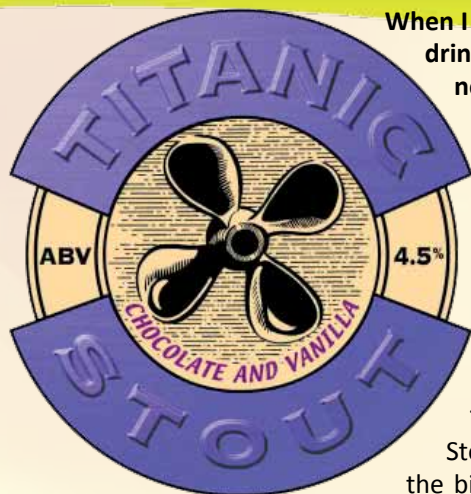
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# Titanic Chocolate and Vanilla Stout

## by Andrea Waterhouse



When I hear it said in some pubs that people don't drink dark beers, I recall one famous night, not too long ago, when all but one person in The Beer Parlour on Whittington Moor in Chesterfield, had a pint of Titanic Chocolate and Vanilla Stout! Everyone intended to have just one and then try something else. Several beers later and I think the cask had almost gone. One bloke even went away and came back half an hour later, with a very tenuous excuse, to have some more.

Titanic Brewery started in 1985, in Burslem, Stoke on Trent. This area in the potteries was the birthplace of Captain Smith (the unfortunate captain of the equally unfortunate Titanic), so the brewery was named after this famous vessel. From a small initial start the brewery now brew over 1.5 million pints of beer each year and their excellent selection of ales can be found in pubs around the country. Look out for Titanic Mild (roasty and easy to drink at 3.5% ABV), White Star (refreshing and hoppy at 4.8% ABV) and Titanic Stout (well balanced and dark at 4.5% ABV).

The Chocolate and Vanilla is brewed using Roast Barley and Maris Otter Malt, combined with Northdown Hops, chocolate and Madagascan Vanilla. It is slightly sweeter than the brewery's regular stout, but is also brewed to the same strength of 4.5%. Looks wise, it is almost black in colour, with a small, but pretty long lasting coffee coloured head. Texture is smooth and quite rich, with a lovely mouth feel. Aroma has a slightly caramel edge, with generous amounts of sweet vanilla and chocolate coming through. You can also smell the roast of the malt and a hint of berry fruit. The taste is pretty much like the aroma; sweetness from the vanilla and a nice balancing bitter, dark chocolate. This continues throughout, becoming increasingly dry, ending with a rich chocolaty finish and an aftertaste of vanilla.

Titanic Chocolate and Vanilla Stout is definitely I beer I can recommend. Unlike some vanilla flavoured beers it is nicely balanced and resists the tendency to be too sweet and sickly. The vanilla is certainly well evident, but not overpowering so, being tempered by bitter chocolate and a good roasted malt base. It is very easy to drink too and really did make me hungry for more. It is one of those beers where just one pint simply WON'T do! Look out for it....and enjoy!

For more information about Titanic Brewery, please visit their excellent website at [www.titanicbrewery.co.uk](http://www.titanicbrewery.co.uk)

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Dronfield Railway Station	11:15	then at the same minutes past each hour until	22:15	23:15
Coach & Horses	----		----	23:20
Jolly Farmer	11:22		22:22	23:25
Miners Arms	11:24		22:24	23:27
Rutland Arms	11:26		22:26	23:29
George & Dragon	11:28		22:28	23:31
Cross Scythes / Fleur de Lys	11:37		22:37	23:39
Abbeydale Sports Club	11:40		22:40	23:42
Dore & Totley Station	11:41		22:41	23:43
Dore Village	11:44		22:44	23:46
Dore & Totley Station	11:47		22:47	23:49
Castle Inn	11:49		22:49	23:51
Hearty Oak	11:54		22:54	23:56
Miners Arms	11:55		22:55	23:57
Coach & Horses	12:00		23:00	00:02
Dronfield Railway Station	12:05		23:05	----

Route 2 - anti-clockwise circular				
Dronfield Railway Station	11:45	then at the same minutes past each hour until	18:45	----
Coach & Horses	11:50		18:50	----
Miners Arms	11:56		18:56	----
Hearty Oak	11:58		18:58	22:36
Castle Inn	12:03		19:03	22:41
Dore & Totley Station	12:05		19:05	22:43
Dore Village	12:08		19:08	22:46
Dore & Totley Station	12:11		19:11	22:49
Abbeydale Sports Club	12:12		19:12	22:50
Fleur de Lys / Cross Scythes	12:16		19:16	22:54
George & Dragon	12:25		19:25	23:03
Rutland Arms	12:27		19:27	23:05
Miners Arms	12:29		19:29	23:07
Jolly Farmer	12:31		19:31	23:09
Coach & Horses	----		----	23:14
Dronfield Railway Station	12:38		19:38	----

Route 3 - The Barlow Connection					
The Hearty Oak		12:36	then at the same minutes  past each hour until	20:36	21:36
Miners Arms	11:39	12:39		20:39	21:39
Rutland Arms	11:41	12:41		20:41	21:41
Royal Oak	11:46	12:46		20:46	21:46
Barlow Brewery	11:51	12:51		20:51	21:51
Barlow Brewery	12:23	13:23		21:23	22:23
Royal Oak	12:28	13:28		21:28	22:28
Rutland Arms	12:33	13:33		21:33	22:33
The Hearty Oak	12:36	13:36		21:36	22:36
Miners Arms	12:39	13:39		21:39	----
22:23 ex Barlow continues via Bradway & Totley to Holmesfield and Dronfield as bus 2					

## **Connecting Services**

### **Trains**

Our festival buses will pick up at the Dore & Totley and Dronfield railway stations, which are served by regular Northern Rail trains on the Sheffield-Manchester and Leeds-Nottingham lines.

Additionally at certain times of day they are also served by East Midlands Trains (Liverpool-Norwich) and First Transpennine Express (Cleethorpes-Manchester Airport).

At Dronfield the buses will serve the turning circle next to the southbound platform, at Dore & Totley the buses will stop at the bus stop on the main road by the car park entrance.

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- 89 Sheffield-Woodseats-Dronfield-Dronfield Woodhouse-Holmesfield-Barlow-Chesterfield
- 293 Sheffield-Millhouses-Dore Station-Bradway-Dronfield Woodhouse-Dronfield

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- 15 Marsh Lane-Apperknowle-Coal Aston-Dronfield-Holmesfield
- 30 Mosborough-Sheffield-Dore
- 218 Sheffield-Totley-Baslow-Bakewell-Buxton
- M17 Jordanthorpe-Bradway-Totley-Dore

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- 89 Chesterfield-Barlow-Holmesfield-Dronfield Woodhouse-Dronfield.

## ***Venue information***

**Abbeydale Sports Club - Abbeydale Road South, Dore, Sheffield. S17 3LJ**

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### **Coach & Horses - Sheffield Road, Dronfield. S18 2GD**

Routes 1 & 2

- Outside bar with guest ales from 8 breweries
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- Local buses 43,89



### **Cross Scythes - Baslow Road, Sheffield. S17 4AE**

Routes 1 & 2

- Festival bar with beers from Blue Monkey
- Normal beers on pub bar
- Normal gastro pub menu
- Live music on Sunday evening
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### **Fleur de Lys - Totley Hall Lane, Sheffield. S17 4AA**

Routes 1 & 2

- Live music
- Beers from Spire Brewery
- Meet the Brewer session
- Local buses 97, 218



### **George & Dragon - Main Road, Holmesfield, Dronfield. S18 7WT**

Routes 1 & 2

- Beers from Peak Ales
- Live music (tbc)



## **Hearty Oak - 22 Northern Common, Dronfield Woodhouse. S18 8XJ**

Routes 1, 2 & 3

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## **Jolly Farmer, Pentland Road, Dronfield Woodhouse. S18 8ZQ**

Routes 1 & 2

- Guest ales
- Food offers
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- Local buses 14, 43, 89, 293



## **Miners Arms - 115 Carr Lane, Dronfield Woodhouse. S18 8XF**

Routes 1, 2 & 3

- Guest ales
- Charity stalls
- Local buses 14, 15, 89



## **Rutland Arms - 96 Main Road, Holmesfield, Dronfield. S18 7WT**

Routes 1, 2 & 3

- Beers from Castle Rock
- Local buses 14, 15, 89



## **Royal Oak, Cordwell Lane, Millthorpe, Dronfield. S18 7WJ**

Route 3

- Guest ales
- Food
- Local bus 89





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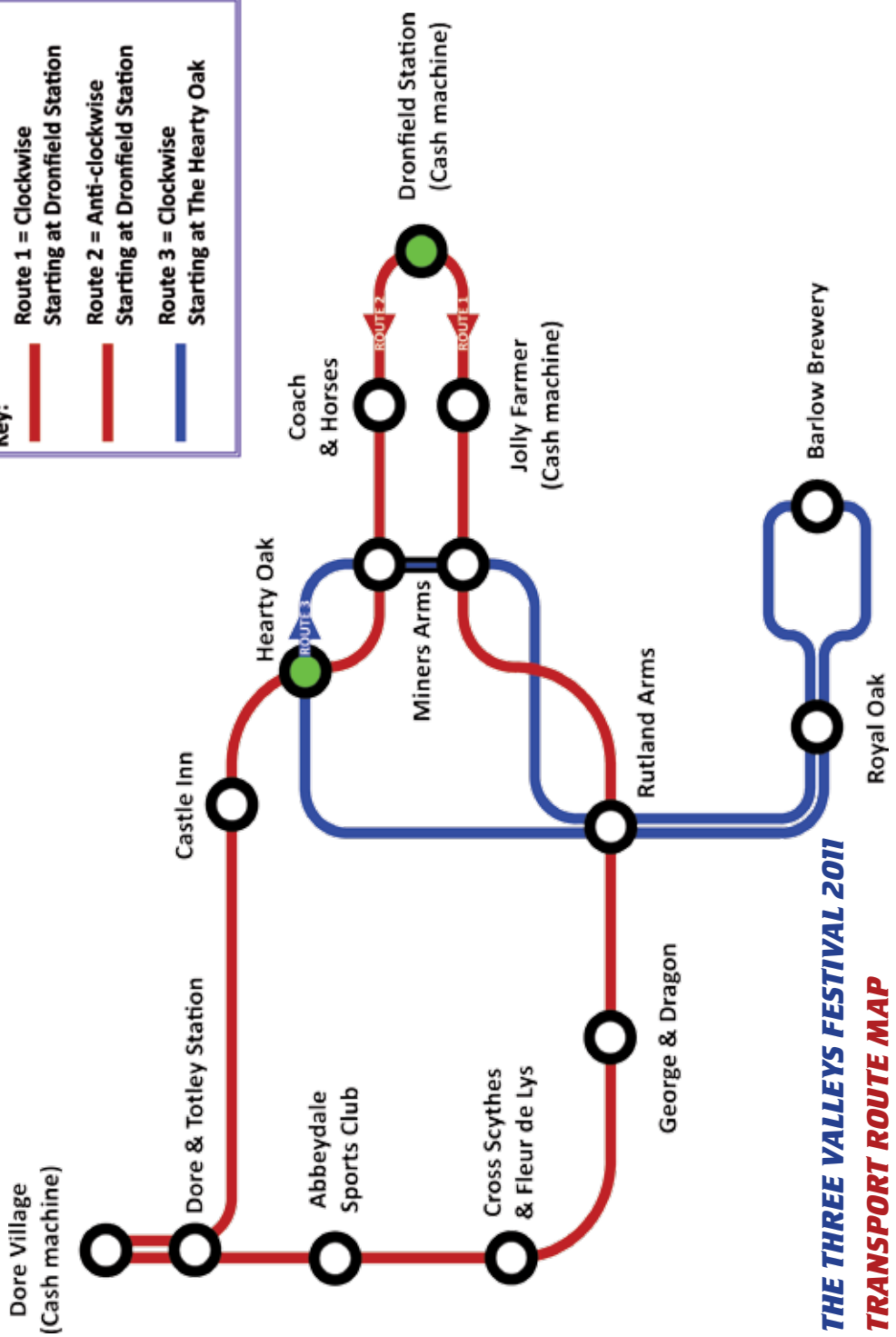
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Route 2 = Anti-clockwise

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Route 3 = Clockwise

Starting at The Hearty Oak



THE THREE VALLEYS FESTIVAL 2011  
TRANSPORT ROUTE MAP



# Sorry, you've got how many?

As a fairly local CAMRA member (and the numpty who puts this magazine together) I seriously considered working at the recent CAMRA AGM and Members' weekend in Sheffield, in some capacity, but when the call came from Spire Brewery (as I'm their Brewery Liaison Officer) to work behind the bar during the AGM weekend, the choice was simple!

The Friday and Saturday evening trips, both had been booked up for ages, descended on the little town of Staveley, which has to be North East Derbyshire's brewery capital with three established breweries all within a mile of each other

The plan was for the bus to shuttle people between Raw Brewery, The Speedwell Inn, home of Townes Brewery, and Spire Brewery, where food would be provided.

At Spire Brewery there were a total of thirteen beers on the bar, yes 13! There was the paler beer bar, which had an interesting choice of pale beers and bitters – but the more interesting of the two bars, because this is the one I was working on, was the dark beer bar, which had a mild, 2 porters and 3 stouts – one “regular” stout, one laced with luscious black pepper, and Prince Igor, an impressive Imperial Russian stout @ 8.5%

As people entered the brewery, we tongue-in-cheekly apologised for only having 13 beers on the bar... Everyone just thought we were exaggerating about the quantities, but when they spied both the light and dark bars, they were truly impressed.



Sarah had put in to providing lovely food for 100 hungry visitors.

A comments book was left out for both days, and the messages written, left the whole brewery team in no doubt that the whole experience at the brewery had left a lasting impression on our guests.

Most of the comments either praised the excellent quality and range of the beers on the bars, or indicated that the soakage provided (curries, naans, Bombay potatoes and onion bhajis) were of the highest quality, which highlighted the work that

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The favourite quote of the weekend was from one (obviously) habitual brewery trip attendee who claimed that he had visited well over 200 breweries during his imbibing life, and had never, ever seen thirteen great quality beers available during any one visit. This put a huge grin on brewer, Dave McLaren's face – which is probably still visible now!

I definitely intend to try and participate in the CAMRA AGM and Members' weekend

in 2012, which is being held in sunny Torquay, but obviously I will be on the other side of the bar and enjoying the beers that Devon have to offer.

However, I am left wondering just if Torquay and Devon can match or even exceed the warmth, hospitality and welcome that the visitors to South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire have received over the past weekend...

A similarly successful event took place at Bradfield Brewery where the visitors got to sample some cracking ales and also meet Bradfield Brewery's famous friends, China and Charlie. Below are a few images from the visit.



**Alun Waterhouse - Spire Brewery's BLO**







# Athos in Pafos by PRP Sheldon

We recently went for a holiday in Cyprus immediately prior to Christmas last year and stayed half board in a small hotel in Paphos, the Dionysos-Central by the municipal beach and harbour. As we wandered about, there were the usual bars and clubs serving the ubiquitous bland beers alongside the local brew, which was so bad, I even refused a pint which had to be replaced because I thought it had gone off - you know the usual vinegar type sharp after taste — YUK!

The 'usual' bars and clubs included the Crocodile Pub serving on draught Keo, Carlsberg, Carling, Fosters, Kronenberg, Beamish, Guinness, John Smiths, Worthington, Caffrey's Ale, Strongbow Dry and Magners; various off licence stores like the one on Danaes 5, shop1 and the ever present Lineker's Bar coupled with the usual Irish pubs. Throw in the real crocodile when you visited the Crocodile Pub and you get the picture. Cast adrift on a beautiful holiday island but where was the real ale? The Slug, The Triple Gold, The Big lamp Brewery Ales, The Rebellion Roasted Nuts, Dr Morton's Duck Baffler and the Impy Dark to quench the thirst and revitalise the pallet.

As we drifted about at night and during the day in between trips/excursions booked, despair started to set in - my mind longing for a pint of real ale amber nectar, like the Exmoor Beast or the strong amber coloured bitters like Brampton Wasp Nest.

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Then halfway through the holiday one lunchtime, we came across the Old Shack Pub on a back street on Tefkrou Street. My heart raced in anticipation as we approached, but then fell flat as it had the look of a closed pub out of season, closed in disrepute and abandoned! It was closed until the new season probably. Damn! Across the road from it was a Sixties Pub and ironically it was this that first caught our eye from the end of the street with its neon sign. Needless to say it didn't have any Real Ales, so hope abandoned we carried on.



However being the eternal optimist I am, after dinner that night we walked back to The Old Shack on the off chance that we were wrong. And guess what? we were... and for the rest of the holiday, over the next 4 nights from early evening to late at night. we became regulars. Ecstasy and a lesson to be learnt, appearances can be deceptive during the day under the baking hot sunshine!

So to everybody going to Cyprus and staying in Paphos Town this is the one Real Ale establishment you have to visit because you won't want to be left wanting. It is on Tefkrou Street between Kostanis and Apollonas, near Nefkakliones, just 10 minutes



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walk from the municipal beach and the hosts are Athos (from Pathos) and Suzanne from England. They run a superb real ale watering hole with a brilliant blues/rock soundtrack in the background. Rock classics from early Fleetwood Mac to Black Sabbath. Now that's what I call good music.

At last Bishops Finger, 1884, Old Engine Oil (Port), Brew Dog, Punk IPA, Old Speckled Hen, Fullers London Pride, various fruit beers and Trappist Brews like Orval to name just a few out of a huge selection of classic bottled Real Ales all on offer in fantastic surroundings.

Real Ale ephemera adorned the walls along with mementoes of Athos' love of fishing. The company was brilliant, the real ales flowed and I was in seventh heaven. Athos is quite an expert on real ales and he certainly knows his stuff. Check out his yellow 'Free Pass to the Old Shack Pub' and don't forget to turn over the stone in the bar! The Free Pass has numerous quotes and one of the best, states 'This bar is dedicated to those who make drinking a pleasure, who reach contentment before capacity, and who can take it, hold it and still remain gentlemen. Stirring words indeed for all Real Ale Drinkers. Also check out his large collection of beer branded glasses/pint pots.

Many conversations can be had with Athos about his love for real ale and he imparts his vast knowledge with great gusto and charm. He even has a real ale Festival on the island in the Pub which was well attended and his pub has even been mentioned in the Nottingham Real Ale magazine. So I thought not to be outdone, and being a member of CAMRA along with my better half, Sheffield's branch of CAMRA can do his pub better justice with an even better article to help spread his gospel in Cyprus and keep the faith.

Finally all going to Paphos make sure you give them a visit, you won't be disappointed I promise — after all you won't find anything better on the island.

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# The Great Wall of Cider

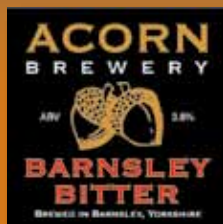
The Rutland Arms Cider and Perry Festival 2011  
Held during the National AGM & Members Weekend

The Wall of cider was a concept that originated with Andy Stephens, Licensee of the Rutland Arms in Sheffield. The Rutland already known as one of the best Real Cider & Perry pubs in South Yorkshire has already had a few Cider Festivals which are usually held outside in the Beer Garden. An idea which was bounced around between Andy his team of staff and myself was to hold the biggest cider festival in Sheffield, of 2011 in the Rutland Arms. Also to hold the festival during the National AGM and Members Weekend, in order to maximise possible footfall and generate possible new business for the pub.

Various copious amounts were discussed until we decided to have fifty ciders and perries available for sale. Over the weeks leading up to the weekend of the fifteenth of April both Andy and I carefully put the order together with a ratio of four to one between ciders and perries. We kept the ABV's to under 7.5% and even ordered ciders with ABV's as low as 3.8% and 4.2% to encourage non cider drinkers to try a few without having to worry too much about drinking irresponsibly. Ciders and perries sold over this weekend would also be sold at a mark down of around fifteen per cent, allowing customers to try more varieties without breaking their personal budgets too much.

A few weeks before the festival opened, I also suggested to Andy that we organise a tasting panel to judge the ciders and perries at the festival. The judges were myself, Joe

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from the Rutland, Jude, Brian & Dave Barrett from Sheffield CAMRA cider bar team, Brian Mc Auliffe from the US and Chris Gascoyne from the Chesterfield Branch.

The results came as a slight surprise to me, as my all time favourite cider Gwynt-y-Ddraig Black Dragon came in fourth place, although it did prove very popular during the festival and was the first to completely sell out.



**Cider:** **Gold Award** Orchard Pig Farm Pressed Sweet. **Silver Award** Moorlands Farm Medium Dry. **Bronze Award** Ben Crossman Medium.

**Perry:** **Gold Award** Newton Court Perry. **Silver Award** Rathay's Painted Lady. **Bronze Award** Oliver's Perry.

The overall champion with easily the highest score was the Newton Court Perry, which in my experience is only the second time in the last twenty six years that a perry has come out above a cider. Besides being able to sample such a vast range of ciders & perries at the Rutland, Richard the Head Chef is also creating Cider based meals to tantalize your taste buds.

My thanks go to Andy Stephens and his team who have worked very hard throughout this festival as they always do, even coping with the extended opening hours. This event which has been very well attended not only by members of CAMRA but also by a whole load of Twitterers, can only add to further increasing Real Cider & Real Perry Sales and awareness within Yorkshire.

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# The York Beer and Food evening

On 28th March the York in Broomhill held their first Beer & Food evening. The York already has an excellent reputation for food, this evening as well as showing off the chefs skills delivering good food, it also picked beers to accompany the meal where the flavour profile complemented the food, demonstrating not only that beer is a credible alternative to wine with food but also the range and versatility of the York's beer range - the draught products made an appearance but it was dominated by the foreign bottled beers on the occasion.



Before the meal we enjoyed real ales at the bar from local breweries such as The Brew Company and Sheffield Brewery and being a warm evening investigated the patio area outside. The evening was held in a separate dining area of the venue and featured excellent friendly and efficient service, with each course and the beer paired with it explained.

First up was a trio of appetisers with a shot glass of beer with each - Ham Hock and Mustard Terrine with Kelham Island Pale Rider saw the subtle flavours of the ham hock brought to life by the light hoppy bitterness of the beer - Red Onion Marmalade Filo Parcel had quite a citrus zing to it and the pairing of Goose Island IPA worked well -

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Apple & Black Pudding Pot Pie was allowed to hold its own flavour with the Staropramen lager being smooth and bland, which normally I wouldn't approve of but worked in this case!

Onto the Starter, Razor Clams with Leek, Carrot and Courgette, finished with Lemon and Chorizo Butter Sauce, this was served with a glass of Celis White, a Wheat Beer with its sweetness complementing the food quite well.

The main course was Cherry Duck Quartet - a Confit Duck Leg with poached duck egg, Kirsch puree and Smoked Duck Breast with duck crackling. The beer was Duchesse De Bourgogne, an Oak Cask matured Flemish Red Ale with a strong cherry and passion fruit flavour which went well with the duck - the idea is such a flavour cuts through the naturally fatty characteristic of duck.

Finally, dessert was Salted Caramel in a chocolate mayo cup with Westmalle Dubbel Puree and Malt Barley Ice Cream. This was a very rich, decadent dessert. The beer with it was Franziskaner, a wheat beer with hints of spice and banana in both the flavour and aroma, almost an antidote to the heavy going dessert!

*Many thanks to the York for inviting Beer Matters to this event and we look forward to other similar evenings, possibly with locally sourced beers.*



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# Workshop and Retford Brewery: Information wanted

We are currently researching the Workshop and Retford Brewery, which was demolished in 1962, as background for a novel. We would love to hear from anyone who worked for the company in the late 1950s or early 1960s. We are particularly interested in finding an original recipe for Workshop Ale, and in speaking to anyone who can remember the taste, or the experience, of drinking this, or any of, their beers.

The Workshop and Retford Brewery was a large employer and a landmark enterprise for the whole of Bassetlaw. Workshop malt was critical to the success of brewing operations in Manchester and the Midlands. Victorian photographs provide an indication of the sheer size of the operation. Ornate wrought iron gates opened out onto a large eye-catching and decorative five storey building, built from bricks of different colour in a style in favour at the time.

The brewery was acquired by Tennant Brothers of Sheffield, in 1958 and demolished in 1962 when Tennants were taken over by Whitbread. The company was voluntarily wound up by a Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting held at the Exchange Brewery, Sheffield in April 1970. Ironically, the latter closed some years ago.

If you have any info that might be useful, please contact Dave Pickersgill & John Stocks via [dave@stksbge.demon.co.uk](mailto:dave@stksbge.demon.co.uk)

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## **Tuesday 3rd May 20:00hrs - Branch meeting**

We meet and discuss pub, club and brewery news, catch up on any campaigning issues, vote for pub of the month and any other local branch business, all over a pint or two. This month the venue is the Crown & Glove in Stannington.

## **Sunday 8th May 11:00hrs - RambAle**

A Sunday stroll through beautiful Peak District scenery combined with drinking real ale at country pubs. This month we get the 11:14 train from Sheffield out to New Mills Central and walk back to Chinley, stopping off at a number of pubs including the Old Hall Inn, before getting the train back to Sheffield.

## **Tuesday 10th May 20:00hrs - Pub of the Month award presentation**

We present the winners certificate at the Harlequin on Nursery Street. Come and join the celebrations.

## **Tuesday 17th May 20:30hrs - Beer Festival planning meeting**

We discuss plans for our annual Steel City Beer & Cider Festival, which takes place in October. The meeting is at the New Barrack Tavern on Penistone Road. If you are interested in helping with the organisation you are welcome to attend. (buses 53,78,79. Postcode S6 1GA)

## **Tuesday 24th May 20:00hrs - Beer Matters Distribution Social & Committee meeting**

The April issue of Beer Matters will be available to collect from the Rutland Arms to distribute to real ale outlets across our area, if you come down tonight why not have a social pint with other distributors? The Committee meeting follows at 9pm in the upstairs room.

## **Saturday 28th May 12:00hrs - Three Valleys Festival**

Our branch chairman has once again co-ordinated a number of venues in Dronfield, Holmesfield, Totley and Bradway to offer a pub crawl featuring real ale, cider, food and entertainment, with venues linked together by a free bus service which also serves the railway station at Dronfield.

## **Monday 30th May 12:00hrs - Hope Valley Train (& bus) Crawl**

Our annual pub crawl of the Hope Valley, roughly along the route of the railway utilising the train service and the odd bus here and there! We catch the 12:14 train from Sheffield to Edale then work our way back towards Sheffield via Castleton, Hope and Hathersage.

**For more information and to book places on trips,  
please contact our Social Secretary [Richard Ryan](#) on 07956 114 926**



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