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## Collyfobble

Opening on 15 July 2017, the Collyfobble Brewery, based at The Peacock in Barlow, promises a selection of beltingly good ales from their stunning barn conversion overlooking the beautiful Derbyshire countryside. As well as distributing their new range of Derbyshire-inspired ales to pubs and bars throughout Barlow and beyond, the Collyfobble team will be welcoming customers into

their beautifully renovated barn to enjoy a one-of-a-kind brewing experience.

Master brewer Matthew Clark has been in the brewery game for over 10 years, previously working for Thornbridge Brewery before joining the Collyfobble team. What he doesn't know about crafting the perfect pint isn't worth knowing.



## Exit 33

Exit 33 Brewing's special for the month is **Hopnotised**, 4.0% ABV. A golden beer which takes elements from three of their favourite beer recipes. Hop flavours abound with a liberal use of late and dry hopping techniques using Azacca, Simcoe, Chinook, Mosaic and Citra hops. Balance and colour is provided by the sweet Munich malt.

We have been lucky enough to source some special malt. **Chevallier** malt has been resurrected from the world seed bank and is once again been grown in small amounts. In the UK, it was at peak utilisation in the late Victorian era covering some 80-90% of the barley area, it fell out of favour due to newer varieties. 'I tasted the malt grains at a brewers roadshow in Nottingham last month and the depth of flavour blew me away'. We will be brewing a traditional English golden bitter but as ever with a twist. Burton ales which were popular at that time were generally hopped using Fuggles and Goldings. We will be using a Slovenian hop called Cellia as its parent hops were Fuggles and Goldings. We'll probably also brew a more traditional darker brown ale to let the malt flavour shine through.



## Acorn

Acorn Brewery have announced their new range of limited edition beers for the summer season. **Summer Pale**, 4.1% ABV, is back by popular demand. This beautifully hopped and balanced session ale is the taste of summer. **Freebird**, 5.1% ABV, is a golden American-hopped ale brewed with Chinook,

Cluster and Cascade hops, imparting a crisp bitterness and a highly zesty aroma. **Ultra IPA**, 5% ABV, is the latest in the brewery's series of US-hopped IPAs. This rich golden IPA has a spicy, zesty aroma. **Scarlet Oak**, 4.5% ABV, is a rich, red coloured ale with berry fruits and toasted malt flavours.



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Brewery tours will take place on Saturday afternoons on 8 July, 2 September and 4 November. Tickets from [sheffieldbrewery.com](http://sheffieldbrewery.com). We also offer venue hire and

large group tours with food, as well as Brewer For A Day packages. Visit the above web address for details about The Brewery Experience.

In other news, we're pleased to announce that due to popular demand, we are adding **Razor Paste** (5.6% razor sharp IPA packed with ample Citra and Mosaic) to our regular line ups of beers. Watch out for it hitting the bars in both cask and 330ml bottles very soon.

Keep an eye out on our website for news and details with all the latest happenings with The Sheffield Brewery Company, including our Brewery Tap Room opening dates on the first weekend of every month, with a host of live music, food and great beer.

## Steel City

Steel City are still awaiting the go-ahead at their potential new home, but the away collaborations are still flowing. **Bunch of Cnuts**, brewed at Imperial, is doing the rounds at present, and is like a liquid Tunnocks Teacake, big chocolate and raspberry jam flavours backed up with slightly more subtle coconut. Meanwhile, the Black Metal collab **Kvassphemy** has finally turned up in Sheffield and has started appearing on bars. Black as Satan's heart and sour as a lost soul, with bready notes from the rye and a slight cherry fruitiness.

The next collab at Imperial was a double brew, the main brew being a 6.3% IPA named **Strong & Stable** and a smaller batch being liquored back to 4.5% and blackened, and named **Coalition of Chaos** (a pretty good way to sum up Imperial v Steel City collabs!).



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## Sentinel

We are now entering our second year and celebrating our first anniversary with a special brew, **Double Ar**. Coming in at a whopping 7.2%, this is a 'double' version of our first award-winning beer, *Ar: American red*.

Tasting notes are as follows: "What better way to celebrate our first anniversary than to beef up our first award-winning beer. *Double Ar* is a hunky 7.2% red ale with heaps of toffee and chocolate malt, fruit, citrus and berry character. Rich with berry, pine and citrus over granary toast and bonfire toffee. Pleasantly sweet with balancing bitterness. Big and warming, smooth but sparkling with a dry fruity finish."

Due to the whopping ABV this will be sparsely available in cask with only 6 being racked, around 18 kegs and the remainder in 330ml cans.

Also in the tank we have:

**TpM: The pale Mistress.**  
Brewed specially for the

Mistress Cutler's Challenge with a minimum of £10 per cask and £5 per case going in aid of the Childrens Hospital and Cavendish Cancer Care charities, *TpM* will be available in a limited edition run of 15 casks with the remainder in 330ml bottles. The beer is a cracker, based upon our biggest seller, SG, this is a more robust 4.8% and has Centennial hops alongside the Aurora for a more lemon citrus character. "Brewed specially to support the Mistress Cutler's charities 2017, this premium ale is a ray of sunshine evoking golden summer days with every refreshing mouthful of soft peach and ripe lemon."

**AcW: Apricot cumin Wit.**

Our Summer seasonal keg beer is a twist on the classic orange and coriander flavourings added to the Belgian style Wit beer. Destined mostly for keg and can, we will make a very limited run of 6 casks available. Get it while you can, it's delicious!



## Kelham Island

Kelham Island are extremely happy to announce the launch of our new kegged beer to the collection. **KIB One**, a 4.2% light hoppy kegged beer, will be ready to hit pubs just in time for the summer and perfect for any beer garden.

We have two specials this month:

**California Drinking**, 4.8%  
A California Common or Steam Beer, which is brewed with ale malt and then fermented with a German lager yeast, gives this beer a robust malty character, enhanced by citrus, spicy, herbal aromas from a blend of German and US hops.

**Full Nutty Jacket**, 4.3%  
An American style brown ale, brewed with a quartet of coloured malts to give you the full nutty flavour and US hops give this beer a slightly earthy, pine aroma with fruity notes.





## Stancill

### Stancill heads to the *South Pacific*

There's been plenty of happy talk at Stancill Brewery this month, which is taking a trip to the new world with its latest special, ***South Pacific***. Promising to be the perfect pint enjoyed every enchanted summer evening, the recipe has been carefully refined since its original launch, resulting in a powerfully hopped IPA which features New Zealand Waimea hops.

The New Zealand hop variety is balanced with English Olicana hops to create a beautifully blended beer which features notes of citrus and tropical fruit flavours which are balanced with a

complex bitterness, resulting in a refreshing, easy-drinking summer drink.

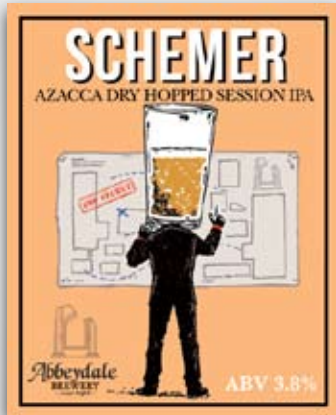
Perfect for enjoying in your favourite beer garden, tailored to suit the Great British summer, come rain or shine. One sip and you'll be whistling a happy tune!

### Record sales for *Shiny Sheff*

A special beer produced to commemorate the 35th anniversary of the sinking of HMS Sheffield during the Falklands War proved to be so popular that all casks brewed were sold within a week of the beer going on sale. Veteran crew members took part in a special launch at Stancill Brewery to sample the new beer and proceeds

from each cask sold were used to support Penistone's Armed Forces Day. The beer proved to be so popular that a second brew of the beer was produced, helping to raise additional funds for the popular event which supports veterans across South Yorkshire.

Both *South Pacific* and a very limited amount of *Shiny Sheff* are now available at selected pubs throughout Sheffield, as well as in the brewery's two pubs, the Norfolk Arms in Grenoside and The Horse & Jockey in Wadsley. CAMRA members can benefit from a 20% discount on the complete range of Stancill ales at both brewery taps.



## Welbeck Abbey

With the summer months upon us our brewery tours are in full swing! We are so pleased to be hosting these again this year, and the turn out so far has been fantastic. Tours will be running monthly and finishing in September so grab tickets while you still can! For details or to buy tickets online visit [welbeckabbeybrewery.co.uk](http://welbeckabbeybrewery.co.uk).

We have some fantastic specials on this month as well. We start with **Admiral Keppel**, a 4.3% golden English ale brewed with Admiral hops which brings pithy bitterness and the delicate aroma of spiced oranges.

Next we've brewed **Peachwall**, a gutsy American IPA hopped with Sorachi Ace and Azacca for big-hitting tropical fruit flavours and a subtly peachy aroma. It boasts an impressive 5.2% and is dangerously drinkable.

We finish with the ever popular **Tink's Pixie Dust Pale**. Named after our head brewer James (or who we like to call Tinkerbell the beer fairy), this 3.9% fruity session pale is brewed from a magical blend of hops from three continents and is the perfect companion for a summer day! Each of our beers tells a story, and you can read more about the inspiration behind them on our website.

Enjoy the summer months!

## Abbeydale

How has it got to July, or as it's known here at Abbeydale "Sunfest month", already?! We all can't wait to put Sunfest on at the Rising Sun for the 11th time this year and hope to see (or have seen, depending on when you read this!) many of you there between the 6th and 9th of July. Make sure you try a pint of our beer brewed in support of Cavendish Cancer Care too, with 10p from every pint going to the charity.

In other news! Firstly, we're very excited to announce we will be brewing three collaborations this month. We will be creating a historical collaboration brew with renowned beer historian Ron Pattison and Jules from Sheffield Beer Week. Look out for our strong Scotch ale coming soon, with some of the brew being kept back and aged in wooden barrels to be released during Sheffield Beer Week 2018! We're also rustling up another fruity concoction (as yet unnamed)

with the pups at Brewdog Sheffield, to be released towards the end of the month. And finally, two of the team are heading over to Barcelona for the return leg of our collaboration with the lovely guys from Insituto de la Cerveza Artesana, who brewed *Encantada* with us earlier in the year.

In terms of beers making their way onto bars this month, we'll have our latest Beerhead, **Schemer** (3.8%), plotting his way into your pint glass! Dry hopped with Azacca for a hit of mango on the aroma, and a piney, citrusy flavour. The aforementioned charity beer will be on offer too, **Triple C**, hopped with three different hops beginning with C! Doctor Morton is up to his old tricks shaking his **Bag O' Nuts** (4.1% pale) and finally we have a release of **Arson** (4.4%) with brand new artwork. Expect fruity aromas with hints of biscuit and caramel complemented by a bitter orange finish.



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## The Plough, Sandygate

Many of you will be aware of the recent plight of the Plough and the community members striving to prevent the loss of their local pub. It had been feared that the site was set to be converted into a Sainsbury's convenience store, and while that has not happened yet, the pub is still advertised to let and fears remain over its closure.

A group of regulars and local residents mounted a petition against the proposals last month, and they are now starting to make progress towards taking over the running of the pub as a collective. The Plough Community

Benefit Society Ltd has now registered with the Financial Conduct Authority, meaning they are now able to legally fundraise through a Community Share Issue.

Earlier this week came the news that a private investor has offered to buy the freehold of the pub on the group's behalf, carry out renovations and then lease it back to them at a reasonable rate for an initial 10-year period. This means that the group would need to raise £120,000 through sales of shares in the business in order to cover the start-up costs and rent rates.

The group are now looking to gauge the amount of interest in these shares. Shares will be valued at £1 and sold in batches, with a minimum investment of £250 rising to the legal maximum of £20,000. All shareholders will have equal voting rights irrespective of the value of their holding. If you would be interested in making an investment in the Plough, please contact the group at [ploughsandygate@gmail.com](mailto:ploughsandygate@gmail.com) for a copy of the pledge form or for more information. There will also be a public meeting in Crosspool on 15 June for potential investors.





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## Stancill sets sights on new city centre pub

2017 has already been a busy year for Stancill. So far this year, they have launched a search for the region's best home brewer, worked in conjunction with Penistone Armed Forces to produce a special, limited edition beer to commemorate the sinking of the HMS Sheffield and now, the Sheffield brewery is set to open its third brewery tap in the city.

Eagle-eyed readers of June's *Beer Matters* may have spotted a cryptic stop press notice at the end of the article. As the deadline for the magazine loomed, the ink was still drying on a new deal signed by the brewery, which will see the opening of its first city centre venue.

At the time of writing, The **Albion** on London Road is currently undergoing an extensive refurbishment. New beer lines have been added to accommodate a changing selection of hand pulled beers which will be complemented by a range of craft beers.

The pub is set to open its doors in July and will

follow the tried and tested formula bringing together special themed evenings and entertainment.

Believed to have been built in the 1830s, The Albion will open every day and, as with other Stancill Brewery pubs, CAMRA members will be able to benefit from a 20% discount on all Stancill ales when The Albion re-opens. If you can't wait to redeem the discount until the end of July, the Norfolk Arms and The Horse & Jockey also operate the 20% discount for CAMRA members, with plenty to choose from including the award winning Barnsley Bitter, No.7 and Blonde as well as Stancill Pilsner and Lager.

An official re-opening date has not been confirmed, but details will be released via Stancill Brewery's Facebook **/StancillBrewery** and Twitter channels **@StancillBrewery**.

The brewery is also planning to add another new venue to its growing pubs division. Look out for more news in the next edition!

## Inn Brief

**True North Brewery** have announced a series of open days at their brewery tap at 47 Eldon St. The next dates are the 16-18 June and the 7-9 July.

The **Fox & Duck** in Broomhill is set to improve its beer garden and install a kitchen. They'll be bringing some of their culinary know-how from their sister pub, the Doctor's Orders, and you'll still be able to bring in your own food outside of kitchen hours.

An application has been made to the council by a developer to convert the former **Royal Oak** in Chapeltown into two shops and a restaurant. The pub closed in 2013.

The **Harlequin** has a number of live music events going on in July: 1 July – Searching for Silvia, 7 July – Iridium 77, 8 July – Rocket 88, 15 July – Blue Review, 22 July – Blaze.

Tramlines Festival will see the **Tap & Tankard** have their Buskers' Corner event stretched out over the weekend. There will also be the usual great selection of real ales and ciders availables.

The **Fat Cat** are making the most of the sunny weather by bringing back the Everly Pregnant Brothers. They will be playing a gig on the roof of the pub on 22 July at 6pm, and there will also be outside bars and a barbecue.

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## Heritage Pubs - The Wellington

Congratulations to the Wellington – it has recently become part of the CAMRA National Inventory of Pub Interiors in the SRI (Some Regional Importance) category. There are now 21 Sheffield pubs listed in the three inventories: [pubheritage.camra.org.uk](http://pubheritage.camra.org.uk).

Built in 1839, the Wellington was the brewery tap for the A.H.Smith and Company, Don Brewery. In 1916, Tennants bought out Smiths, then following the 1962 takeover, Whitbread ran the pub. The Wellington was refitted in 1940 and retains many fixtures in the three-roomed layout from that time. The previous layout included a 'Smoke Rm.', 'Small Tap Room,' 'Tap Room' and 'Public Bar.' The servery was moved into the area previously occupied by the Small Tap Room; the former tap room on the front right had minor changes and became the smoke room and

the rooms on the left of the door (smoke room, tiny public bar and the servery) were converted into the new Tap Room (Architect: Wiggul, Inott & Ridgeway for Messrs Tennant Bros.Ltd).

A passageway from the front door to the lobby bar area has a terrazzo floor, inter-war tiling to two-thirds height and double internal doors with leaded glazed panels. The lobby bar has a terrazzo floor, and retains the 1940 ply panelled bar counter (but it has been pushed back some 18 inches in recent years) and bar back fitting. There is some modification to the bar back such as small mirror pieces from the 1960s, and fridges and a glass washer have replaced two-thirds of lower shelving. Note the unusual keyhole in the part of the bar on the right top section – was it to lock the staff hatchway in place? A 2016 refurbishment introduced

shelving to both the left and right of the bar area, including the two stained glass windows above the lounge bar.



The panelling on the walls of the lobby bar area and (painted) pine ceiling was installed in 1978 when new tenants, Gordon and Pauline Shaw, arrived. They left in 1983, hav-





ing had a successful time, the (legendary) Highcliffe Folk Club taking up residence for a number of years.

A door on the left with a leaded glazed panel in the top and the figure '3' leads to the tap room with inter-war fixed seating around most of it and it retains the 1940 ply panelled bar counter with a dark stain added. The exterior has 1930s stained and leaded windows and the fireplace is Victorian-style. The piece of wall near the counter is a modern addition having closed a gap created when the lobby bar counter was pushed back. There are good exterior inter-war (Tennants) leaded windows.

The front smoke room on the right has a wide gap to the lobby with more 1930s exterior windows but the fixed seating is post-war and has lost its fireplace. The terrazzo

floor continues to the right with another door with 1930s stained and leaded windows and the figure '1' and beyond is a terrazzo passage that goes past a door with the figure '5' on it and the ladies' toilet has a 1930s door and terrazzo floor (modern tiles); the gents' toilet is modern.

The late 1980's saw the pub becoming run-down, many original features becoming hidden. It became a free house in 1993 under the ownership of Neil and Sheila Clarke. At that time, the walls and ceilings were yellow and the bar was covered with hardboard. This was removed and stripped back to bare wood, before stain and varnish were added. Over a period of some years, they renovated the building. The window frames were stripped and repainted, the wood was stained dark and varnished, the walls were papered and boarding was

removed from the door to the toilets.

They renamed the pub as 'The Cask and Cutler,' establishing the Port Mahon Brewery in 2000. In 2006, when they moved to France, Richard Appleton took on the pub, reinstated the old name and, after a two year pause, restarted and renamed the brewery, Little Ale Cart. The brewery has hosted a number of cuckoo breweries, most notably Steel City who were in residence from their inception in 2010 until 2013. Brewing ceased in 2016, when the pub was taken on by James Birkett, owner of two other Sheffield pubs, the Blake and the Sheaf View. It was closed for a period, redecoration and some refurbishment occurring. The pub reopened in late September 2016 as the brewery tap for the nearby Neepsend Brewery.

**Dave Pickersgill**



## Nags Head, Killamarsh

On the Spring bank holiday Monday an American BBQ was held at the Nags Head in Killamarsh, reflecting the Texan roots of Mary, who runs the pub with husband Martin.

Customers enjoyed huge portions of smoky ribs and bris-

ket, washed down with beer from Drone Valley Brewery at just £2 per pint.

Unfortunately the weather was typically British bank holiday – it poured down with rain, so the intended garden party was held indoors, with

those in attendance entertained by live music.

The pub hosts regular live music nights and a single handpump offers real ale on a permanent basis.

**Nick Williams**

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## Cherry Tree, Millhouses

You may remember that last year the Co-op Group put in a planning application to demolish the Cherry Tree and build a new store in its place as Enterprise Inns who own the pub had agreed to sell it to them. We have opposed that application, and made a bid to have the pub declared an Asset of Community Value to try to preserve it. That has now been successful - the Council granted the pub Community Asset status in May. That means that if Enterprise Inns want to proceed with a sale they must give six months' delay to allow an alternative bid to be put together - although that doesn't guarantee its success.

The Co-op Group complained to the Council that their planning application was not being decided by the Planning Committee and appealed to the national Planning Inspectorate to force Sheffield to hear the application. The Council quite reasonably replied that they were waiting for the result of the Asset of Community Value bid, and that in any case there were design issues for the proposed store that were still not resolved. Once the Community Value decision was made they then scheduled a Planning Committee for the 20th June. The Planning Officer however

will recommend that the Committee refuse the Application, because of the pub's Community Asset status, but also because of the design issues - the Co-op having refused to modify the designs as the Planning Dept thought was necessary.

However Co-op Group have refused to withdraw their appeal, which means that the final decision will now be made by the Inspector and the Planning Committee can only make a recommendation. It seems that Co-op Group [perhaps encouraged by Enterprise Inns] are using the appeal process to try to undermine the Community Asset decision and persuade the Inspector to ignore it and approve the application. This Appeal will be decided by mid-July, but on the basis of written documents. The Group will be submitting additional evidence both to the Planning Committee and to the Inspector.

Those of you who made objections or comments on the planning application will probably have received a letter notifying you of the Appeal. Please note that you have until **4 July** to make any new or additional individual objections or comments. If you do make any such objections or comments to the Planning Committee they will automatically be passed to the Inspector.

In view of the Co-op Group's apparent wish to undermine the Community Asset decision it would be helpful if you could stress your support for the Cherry Tree as well as any opposition to the Co-op store

proposal. If the pub is saved then we as a Group will support any efforts to bring about a new management regime for the pub, to make it a more community-friendly place with a positive future. The current managers have done a lot to improve service and popularity but are restricted by the owners Enterprise Inns in what they can do. There are at least a couple of other parties interested in buying the pub and running it more effectively.

The Group will circulate a new Petition in support of the Cherry Tree which can be signed in either of the shops adjacent to the pub, or in the Away You Go cafe. There is also a standard letter attached to this email which you could use to write to the Inspector, adding to or modifying it if you wish. You could refer to my previous emails about this for some of the grounds on which we have opposed the application.

You can email these letters to **[west2@pins.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:west2@pins.gsi.gov.uk)** quoting the appeal reference **APP/J4423/W/17/3171556** or you can post them to:

**Sarah Hardy, The Planning Inspectorate, Room 3M, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, BRISTOL BS1 6PN**

**Please don't forget the appeal reference or the 4 July deadline.**

Any queries or comments I will be happy to respond to them.

**Mike Hodson**

Secretary Carter Knowle & Millhouses Community Group





## Pub of the Month July 2017

We are pleased to announce that the Sheffield & District CAMRA Pub of the Month for July 2017, as voted for by our members, is **Wisewood Inn** at Loxley.

The Wisewood Inn was re-opened in its current guise in October 2015 by owner Steve Wesley and licensee Pete Hebb. They have managed to take a run-down establishment at a difficult time for the pub trade and completely turn it around in 18 months. Their vision was to create a suburban pub that sold great beer, offered an exciting food menu, hosted regular music events and appealed to a large customer base, and they have certainly managed to achieve all these.

On the beer front, the Wisewood Inn is Cask Marque accredited and offers a wide range of cask, keg, bottled and canned ales. There are five handpumps installed, with three regular real ales available in Barnsley Bitter, Bradfield Farmers Brown

Cow, and an Abbeydale pump. The remaining two pumps have seen guest beers from numerous local and national breweries, and since the re-opening there have been more than 200 different cask and keg ales on offer.

The pub also has a fantastic beer garden, perfect for sitting outside and enjoying the view on a warm summer's day. They are soon to start hosting regular barbecues, so be sure to watch out for those! Funds raised from many of the events hosted have been used to support local business and charities, so it's all for a good cause. For those wanting to host their own celebrations, there is a cellar bar available for hire.

Going forward, the owners are hoping to continue increasing their profile as a good real ale pub, and hopefully start to make it into Sheffield & District CAMRA's annual Top 20 pubs of the year lists. They are also

planning to extend the kitchen to deal with increased demand, and there are rumours of the pub launching its own on-site micro-brewery, so watch this space!

Steve and Pete would like to thank CAMRA, and all the members who voted for the Wisewood Inn as their Pub of the Month. A huge mention also goes to the staff, suppliers and breweries who have been really supportive, but of course none of this would be possible without the customers who have returned to the pub and made it their regular.

CAMRA members, don't forget to vote for your next Pub of the Month. The list of current nominees can be found in *Beer Matters* and on our website, or if there's a pub not on the list that you would like to see receive some recognition, you can also nominate a pub. All votes and nominations can be made through our website, or at any branch meeting.



Left to right: Richard Vale, Pam Kenworthy, Patrick Johnson (social secretary) and Amanda Taylor.

## District Pub of the Year 2017 presentation

On 20 May, members of the branch headed into the Peaks to visit some of the less easy-to-reach hostelries. As part of this, the group stopped in at **Anglers' Rest** in Bamford, where they presented their District Pub of the Season award. Congratulations to everyone from the Anglers, who made us very welcome and fully deserved the accolade.



## Pub of the Month June 2017 presentation

Members headed to the **Broadfield** on 13 June to celebrate the Pub of the Month award. With its wide range of real ales (there were nine handpumps available on the night with the usual selection of True North plus guests), good food and relaxed atmosphere, the Broadfield was a worthy winner. The pub last won the award in May 2015.



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we get enough votes in time we will make the award. Nomination forms are available at branch meetings and on the website. The pub must have been open and serving real ale for a year and under the same management for 6 months.

Winners compete alongside our *Good Beer Guide* entries for branch Pub of the Year, the winner of which is entered into the national competition.

The list of nominees is below and includes which buses to take if you fancy a trip to try them out.

### Broomhill Tavern

Broomhill (bus 120)

### Doctors Orders

Glossop Road (buses 6, 120, 271)

### Eyre Arms

Hassop (bus 275)

### Head of Steam

City Centre (buses 1, 3, 7, 8, 20, 32, 75, 76, 83, 88)

### Nottingham House

Broomhill (buses 51, 52, 52a, 273, 274, 275)

### Sentinel Brewhouse

Sharrow (buses 4, 4a)

### Shakspeares

Gibraltar Street (buses 57, 61, 62, 81, 82, 85, 86)

### Strines Inn

Bradfield Dale (buses 273, 274, 275 to Moscar or Moscar Lodge then about an hour's walk)

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## National Pub Design Award 2016 presentation

The **Ship Inn** in Kelham Island was presented with its CAMRA National Pub Design Award 2016 on 31 May. Impressively, the pub has become only the fourth pub in Sheffield to receive one of these awards in almost forty years.

The Ship has been nationally recognised for its iconic 19th century features and eccentric décor, and was one of only four pubs in the UK to win the accolade last year. The award itself was handed over to landlords Dean and Sally Smith and Lorraine Hakes (representing pub owners, Hawthorn Leisure) by our own Pub Heritage Officer, Dave Pickersgill, who had previously travelled to London on the pub's behalf to collect the prize.

Numerous Sheffield & District CAMRA members made the trip down to Kelham Island for the presentation, and they were treated to celebratory

drinks and food, all of which was much appreciated!



The pub's design itself is an intriguing mixture of old and new. Concept Design, the company who masterminded the Ship's aesthetic refurbishment, have blended contemporary design with carefully restored original features discovered by builders as they chipped away through the old paint and plaster. As for the atmosphere, Dean and Sally have turned the Ship into a welcoming and tranquil environment. Candlelit tables and subtle background music, combined with the excellent selection of real ales

and food available, create a unique ambience that is not to be missed.

"The Ship Inn is proof that change can be a positive thing. From a pub that at one time was a part off-licence with no ladies, to become a shining light for Kelham Island speaks for itself," said Dean. Promising more to come, Dean disclosed future plans to add even more hand pulled beer and development of an outside space using shipping containers, to ensure the ongoing growth of the pub.

"Everyone in this area pulls together to make it the special island it has become," added Dave. "CAMRA are delighted with the entire effort in this small yet impactful community. Awarding the understated Ship Inn this prestige offers a representation of the area making it all that more appealing."



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# Festival guide

## June

### Central Manchester CAMRA

**Thu 29 Jun – Sat 1 Jul**

Central Manchester CAMRA are holding their annual Beer & Cider Festival. The festival has a new venue this year, the 53two Theatre, 8 Albion St, Manchester, M1 5LN. CAMRA members receive a £2 discount on their entrance fee for all sessions.

[centralmanchestercamra.org.uk](http://centralmanchestercamra.org.uk)

### Worrall Festival

**Fri 30 Jun – Sat 1 Jul**

The annual Worrall Festival returns for another year. Past years have seen a plethora of real ales from local breweries such as Blue Bee, Bradfield, Kelham Island, Little Critters, Fuggle Bunny and more. There will also be plenty of live music to enjoy.

Worrall Festival is held in the grounds of Worrall Memorial Hall, Towngate Road, Worrall, S35 0AR. The number 57 bus from the city centre runs through Worrall; alight at the Blue Ball pub and head left up Towngate Road. Friday admission is by ticket only from 7pm, while Saturday is open to all from 4pm onwards.

### Wortley Mens Club

**Fri 30 Jun – Sun 2 Jul**

Despite the name all are welcome! The beer festival is their 5th annual event and runs from 5pm Friday and from midday Saturday and Sunday with a range of 60

cask ales, 30 ciders, craft keg beers, food stalls, live music and kids zone. Bus 29 (Chapeltown-Holmfirth) goes to Wortley.

## July

### Derby CAMRA

#### Summer Beer Festival

**Wed 5 – Sun 9 Jul**

2017 marks the 40th year of Derby CAMRA's Summer Beer Festival, which will be held in the market place in the centre of Derby.

[derbycamra.org.uk](http://derbycamra.org.uk)



### Sunfest

**Thu 6 – Sun 9 Jul**

This annual beer festival at the Rising Sun pub at Nether Green in Sheffield sees the car park closed to make way for a tent filled with around 100 guest beers on cask plus a selection of craft beers on keg along with cider and food. There is also music and stalls. Meanwhile inside the pub all the handpumps on the bar are given over to Abbeydale Brewery, who own the pub, showcasing their range including a charity beer brewed for the festival. Buses 86a and 120 stop right outside the pub.

[risingsunsheffield.co.uk](http://risingsunsheffield.co.uk)

### 1st National Woodfest

**Thu 6 – Sat 8 Jul**

This is being held at the Junction pub in Castleford (between Wakefield and Leeds if you catch the Sheffield to Leeds via Barnsley stopping train) and organised by members of the Society for the Preservation of Beers from the Wood showcasing a selection of beers served from wooden casks. Capacity is limited so it is advisable to book tickets in advance online.

[woodfest2017.com](http://woodfest2017.com)

### Bassetlaw

**Fri 7 – Sun 9 Jul**

The 3rd annual summer beer festival at the Grafton Hotel, 5 minutes walk from Worksop station, featuring 24 real ales, 10 ciders and live music. Free entry.

### Wetherspoons

#### Real Cider Festival

**Fri 7 – Sun 23 Jul**

For a two week period Wetherspoons pubs around the country will be offering an enhanced range of real and craft ciders. Why not head down and use your CAMRA Wetherspoons vouchers to receive a 50p per pint discount.

### Gillyfest

**Sat 15 Jul**

Gillyfest at the Sportsman Inn, Redmires Road, Lodge Moor, returns for its fifth year. Festivities start at 1:30 pm and visitors can look forward to live music, animal attractions and local food. Admission is by donation.



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## Tramlines Festival

**Fri 21 – Sun 23 Jul**

This music festival sees a massive party take over central Sheffield. The main official stages that a paid for wristband get you into are Ponderosa Park, Devonshire Green and Endcliffe Park; however the beer lover will be more interested in the fringe going on in pubs, bars and other venues with many real ale serving pubs putting on live music and DJs.

As usual of special note is the Blues stage organised by Saxbob, this will be the final year of Tramlines Blues being held at the CADS venue near Shalesmoor before it closes. This free admission event will see a programme of bands on Friday night and Saturday afternoon/evening, a real ale bar in the courtyard, a BBQ and veggie food stall.

## Dore Beer & Burger Festival

**Sat 29 Jul**

The Dore Moor Inn, Hathersage Road, S17 3AB, is hosting a beer and burger festival, featuring local and national beers, burgers, a barbecue and live music. Buses 65, 271 and 272 from the city centre all stop opposite the pub.

## August

### CAMRA

## Great British Beer Festival

**Tue 8 – Sat 12 Aug**

CAMRA's annual major beer festival held at Olympia Exhibition Halls in London

(next to Kensington Olympia rail station, served by London Overground and Southern) and staffed by volunteers from across the UK, Europe and America, this year celebrating it's 40th anniversary. Features several hundred real ales including a number imported from the USA along with European beers both on draft and in bottles. There are also dedicated cider & perry bars offering a huge choice. Food and product stalls, games and a programme of entertainment also features. More info at [gbbf.org.uk](http://gbbf.org.uk), advance tickets are available that offer cheaper and quicker entry. Regular trains and coaches run between Sheffield and London operated by East Midlands Trains, National Express and Megabus.

## Peakender

**Fri 18 – Sun 20 Aug**

Arranged by Thornbridge Brewery at Bakewell Showground, this festival features a range of beers from Thornbridge plus guests including Hawkshead, Magic Rock, Tiny Rebel, Wild Beer Co and others along with live music. Entry to the beer festival is free. A campsite is available (must be booked in advance). TM Travel Bus 218 runs regularly from Sheffield to Bakewell – every half hour in the daytime, less frequent in the evening.

## Blackhill Festival

**Wed 23 – Mon 28 Aug**

The 3rd annual Blackhill Festival takes place at the Miners Arms in Hundall, near Dronfield, over the August bank holiday weekend. There will be

around 30 real ales on offer, with a further 20 real ciders available. Featuring live music in the evenings and a charity cricket match on Bank Holiday Monday.

## Hope Valley (Old Hall Hotel)

**Fri 25 – Mon 28 Aug**

The Old Hall Hotel in Hope holds one of their regular bank holiday weekend beer & cider festivals featuring a marquee with a range of up to 50 real ales and ciders plus live music, souvenir glasses and food in addition to the normal pub offering.

Buses 272, 273, 274 from Sheffield passes right outside the hotel (bus stop around the corner) or Hope railway station is about 10-15 minutes walk away.

[hopevalleybeerfestival.com](http://hopevalleybeerfestival.com)

## September

### Cleethorpes

## Rail Ale & Blues Festival

**Fri 15 – Sun 17 Sep**

Held at the Cleethorpes Coast Light Railway, this event features over 50 real ales, a programme of live blues music performances and narrow gauge steam train rides. Admission to the beer festival is free. Regular direct trains run from Sheffield to Cleethorpes, operated by Transpennine Express (daily) and Northern (Saturdays).

[cclr.co.uk](http://cclr.co.uk)

## Amber Valley CAMRA

**Thu 28 Sep – Sun 1 Oct**

The 8th Amber Valley CAMRA Beer & Cider Festival will be held at Strutts on Derby Road,

Belper from Thursday 28th September to Sunday 1st October 2017. The former Herbert Strutt Grammar School is situated on the A6 just outside the town centre and has its own car park, with the railway and bus stations only a short walk away and buses stopping right outside the venue.

There will be live music in the main hall on Friday and Saturday nights – for full details of all entertainment, times and prices, please visit [ambervalleycamra.org.uk](http://ambervalleycamra.org.uk).

Advance tickets are not required at any sessions but be sure to arrive early to ensure admission. Over 18's only after 6pm. There is free wi-fi at the venue. Dogs are welcome but only allowed in certain areas.

## October

### Sheffield Steel City 43 Beer & Cider Festival

**Wed 18 – Sat 21 Oct**

Our 43rd annual festival, back again at Kelham Island Industrial Museum with over 200 real ales plus bottled beers from around the world and a range of traditional cider and perry.

The festival also features a variety of street food vendors, products stalls and entertainment.

We're currently looking for volunteer staff plus sponsors. [steelcitybeerfestival.co.uk](http://steelcitybeerfestival.co.uk)

## November

### Hull CAMRA

**Thu 16 – Sat 18 Nov**

Held at the Holy Trinity Church, later in the year than normal to allow for refurbishment of the church to become Hull Minster which as a result will enable this years festival to be bigger and better – as well as lots of beer and cider there will be an extended range of food and stalls plus the introduction of entertainment.

Direct trains run from Sheffield to Hull every hour, operated by Northern. [hull.camra.org.uk](http://hull.camra.org.uk)

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## Branch diary

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### RambAle

**12pm Sat 1 Jul**

This month we are walking in the countryside to the north of the City, from the Royal Oak in Deepcar to Wortley Mens Club, where their annual beer festival will be taking place.

Stagecoach bus 57 runs direct from Sheffield Interchange to Deepcar, alternatively Stagecoach Supertram Link bus SL1 / SL1a goes there from Middlewood tram terminus. TM Travel bus 29 returns from Wortley as far as Chapeltown for connecting buses into Sheffield. A South Yorkshire Connect day ticket at £6.30 covers all buses and trams in South Yorkshire.

### Branch meeting

**8pm Tue 4 Jul**

The usual monthly formal where members get together to discuss branch business, share pub, club and brewery news and catch up on what is happening in the campaign. Venue this month is the Cross Scythes on Derbyshire Lane, Norton Lees. Bus 18 will get you there.

### Pub of the Month presentation

**8pm Tue 11 Jul**

We are heading to the Wise-wood Inn in Loxley to present the Pub of the Month award for July. Join us from 8pm for the presentation. The pub has

also kindly offered to put on some food on the evening. Buses 31 and 31a stop right outside.

### Cider Pub of the Year presentation

**8pm Wed 26 Jul**

Join us at the Harlequin on Nursery Street as we present the Cider Pub of the Year award for 2017. We are arriving from 8pm for a presentation around 8:30. Buses 3, 7, 8 and 83 all stop nearby.

### Branch meeting

**8pm Tue 1 Aug**

Nag's Head, Stacey Bank.

### RambAle

**10:30am Sat 19 Aug**

This month's RambAle will take place in Baslow and has been timed to coincide with Thornbridge Brewery's Peak-ender weekend. More details will follow nearer the time.

### Branch meeting

**8pm Tue 5 Sep**

Riverside, Mowbray Street.

### Pub heritage walk

**2:30pm Fri 8 Sep**

Dave Pickersgill is leading his now famous Pub Heritage Walk, taking in some of the most historically significant watering holes in Sheffield City Centre. The tour will run twice, at 2:30pm and again at 5:30pm. Both start at Fagan's on Broad Lane and will take in the Dog & Partridge, The Grapes, The Red Deer and Bloo88 before finishing at the Bath Hotel. The event is part of Heritage Open Days and Sheffield Walking Festival 2017 and places can be booked via Eventbrite.

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A photograph of four men sitting around a wooden table in a pub, each holding a glass of beer and smiling. The background features a black sign with white text and two framed pictures on the wall.

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