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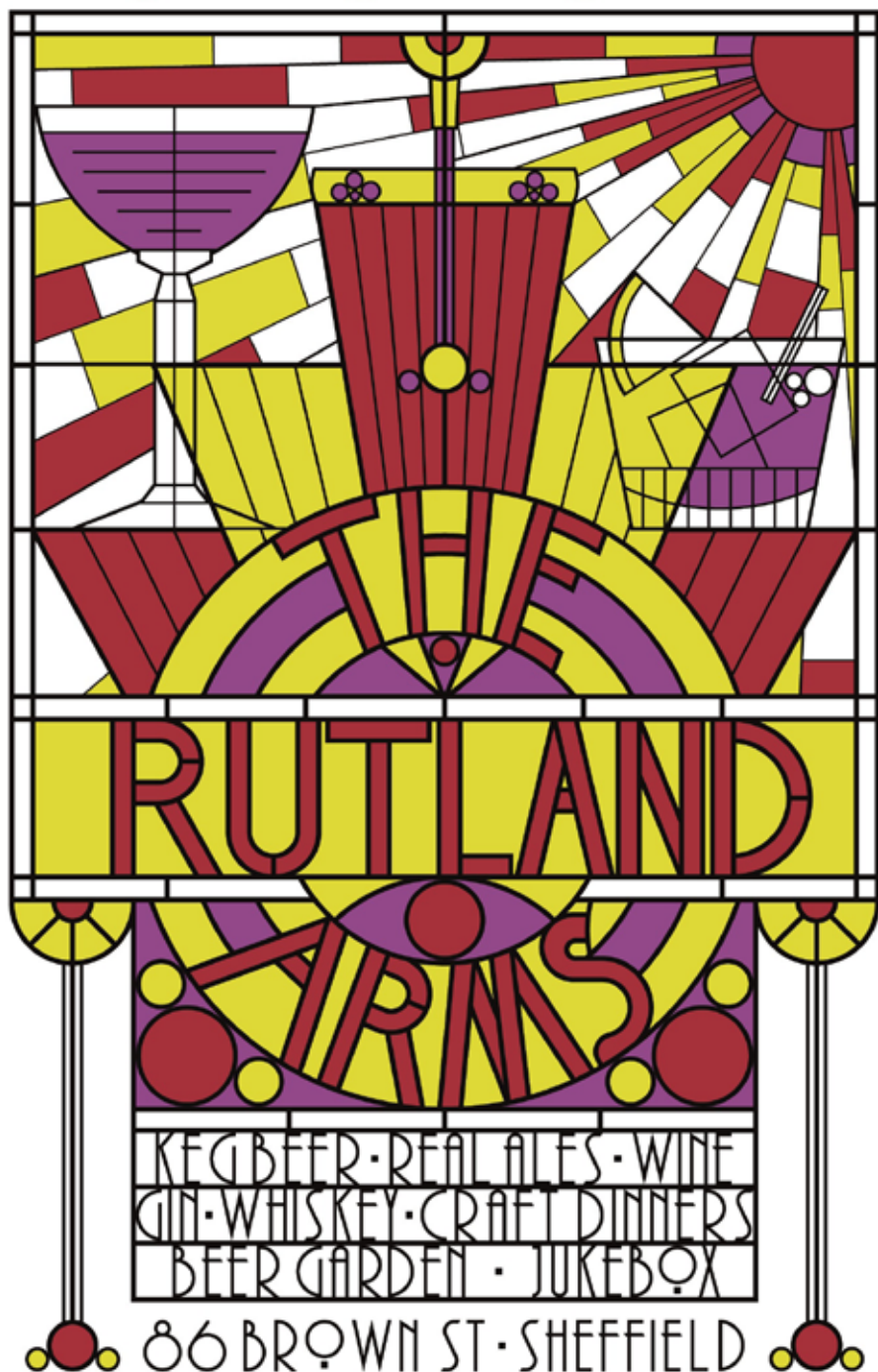
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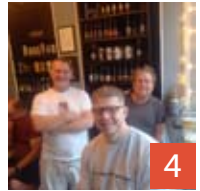


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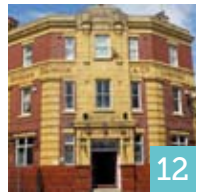


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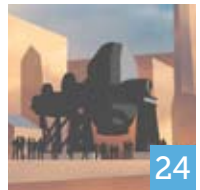


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Bear Abbeydale Rd

The Bear recently celebrated their first birthday. The bar has gone from strength to strength since winning last years' Pints of Sheffield Battle of the Boozers, and already feels like a long-established venue on the Sheffield beer scene.

After a bit of a spruce up for the bar, everything was ready for a celebration weekend that included beer, food and music. A collaboration brew with Loxley Brewery, *On A Wing & A Bear* sold out in 6 hours, which pleased the brewery to such an extent they generously bought everyone a pint!

To keep everyone's thirst going, food was provided at various times by Dough Truck Pizza and Four Corners Canteen.

Matt has built up a loyal following in the area, with regular tap takeovers and Meet The Brewer sessions and they came out in force to celebrate with him. Here's to another year.



Loxley Brewery at the Bear

Inn Brief

The **Ball** at Crookes has had a refurbishment and reopened on the 16 July with live entertainment to celebrate.

The people behind the Indie-go bar at Steel Yard Kelham in Neepsend have announced they are opening a second bar, **Indie-go Resurrection** in the City Centre premises that was previously the Devonshire Cat. It is expected to open until 3am and feature live music at the weekend. They are hoping to have opened at the end of July in time for Tramlines Fringe.

Neepsend Social Club & Canteen

is now open on Burton Road, next to the Parrot Club and Peddler Warehouse. This venue is themed on a traditional working men's club and membership is available offering various perks, however it is open to all Wednesday to Sunday. They serve food until 9pm with a limited seasonal modern British food menu, with dishes like sausage and mash, scampi and chips and chicken in a basket. They also have games including a table football and darts and have quiz nights and bingo! There is no cask ale currently, however local breweries including Abbeydale and Thornbridge are represented on the keg taps.

The **Boston Arms** at Woodseats have been running a Monday Cask Ale Club with beer reduced to a very affordable £2.80 a pint. Also offering discounts on a Monday to keep the ale flowing on a typically quiet day is the Clubhouse on London Road offering bargain £2.50 pints.

The opening of the **Tunnel Tap** at Totley Rise gets closer, at the time of writing the flooring was in and the bar was under construction!

1st July saw a beer launch at **Heist Brew Co.**'s tap room involving a collaboration with Emperors. The beer involved was *Something Something Dark Side*, an 11% salted

caramel imperial stout with three versions available – the base beer, one aged in a rum barrel and another aged in a bourbon barrel, the latter being on cask.

The first beer out of **brewSocial** hit the bar at the Social on Snig Hill on Friday 15 July with brewer Richard Hough and the team there to make it a bit of a launch event. The beer was *Out to Launch* a 4.5% pale ale with Cascade hops. All the brewSocial beers are to be unfiltered therefore suitable for vegans and naturally slightly hazy. The first few beers to be brewed will be pale and hoppy at various strengths and with various hop varieties, once they are established a dark beer will follow in time for winter!

The **Little John Inn** at Hathersage continues to offer a changing selection of beers on both cask and keg and have recently been featuring the relatively local Eyam Brewery with their premium bitter on handpump and strong stouts on keg such as the *Bubonic Orange* (6%) and *Imperial Black Death* (11%). A Jam night has been launched on Tuesdays from 8pm and they continue to have a pool table and table football.

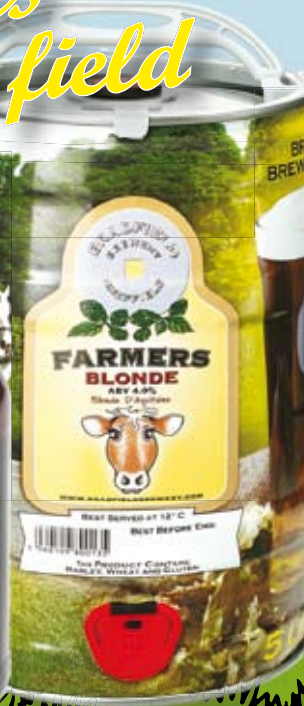
The **Dog & Partridge** on Trippet Lane in Sheffield City Centre have announced they are now free of tie from the pub company they lease the pub from, meaning they can now go to any brewer or wholesale for all their beer lines rather than just the pub company. We can look forward to seeing what interesting different beers start appearing on their bar!

There has been a change of management at the **Old Queen's Head** (by Sheffield Interchange), which is leased from Thwaites Brewery, with Mike and Zuzana calling it a day. The new manager is Josh Tomlinson and there is a new chef, initially serving a limited menu of pub classics plus lunchtime sandwiches and burgers. We wish every success to Josh and also look forward to seeing Mike and Zuzana on the right side of the bar!

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Steel City

Remember a few years ago when Steel City blagged a col-lab at Weird Beard?

Well finally it was time for the return fixture! While Weird Beard has undergone a change of ownership and is currently relocating from up that London to up North, founder Bryan remains fully involved, and came to Sheffield to brew a proper DIPA with actual bitterness – remember them?

Dave and Bryan are both big fans of old skool IPAs with lots of bitterness and citrusy hops, and rue the lack of them these days. The recipe drew on Weird Beard's *Holy Hoppin Hell* and old Steel City recipes, and features a mix of American and Polish hops.

The result is ***Russian warship, Go F**k Yourself***, a pale 9.8% brew, bone dry, with high bitterness (126IBU!) and citrus flavours. The brew was Steel City's second for #brewforUkraine, with profits again donated to the DEC Ukraine Appeal. Between this and the earlier *Vlad the Invader*, nearly £1,500 has been raised for Ukraine humanitarian aid.



Chantry

Long awaited on-site tap opened on 23 June

Located on a mezzanine level overlooking the brewing areas, the bar showcases the range of Chantry beers.

It is open to the public on Thursday evenings 6-11pm and Saturdays 1-11pm, while on Fridays they will be hosting

ticketed live music gigs with doors open at 7pm and bands on from 8pm. On those Fri-days without a gig the bar will open to the public 5-11pm.

The brewery is in Parkgate, a short walk from the tram-train terminus.

Brewery Bits

Stancill Brewery's classic American pale ale ***American Beauty*** is back! All-American hops, Cascade and Citra, provide soft floral aromas and citrus flavours with a punchy, peppery finish. It is also a fairly sensible strength at 4.8% ABV.



Recent beers from

Neepsend Brewery available in cask include ***Dema***, a 3.8% session pale hopped with Azacca and Sabro; ***Pitthea***, a 4.2% hazy pale; ***Cybele*** a 4.7% American pale hopped with Ekuanot and HBC431 (which promises to be a fruity, tropical little number).

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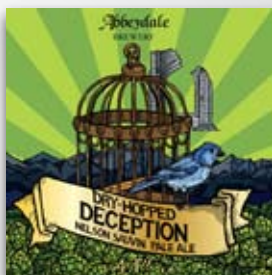
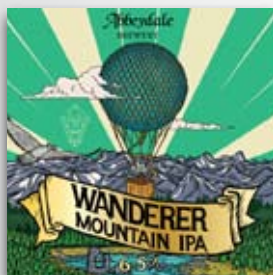
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Abbeydale

We're welcoming back **Alchemy** (4.2%) this month! It will have new artwork (due to a revamp of this series by our in house designer, James Murphy), but the same recipe, which is always a popular one – single hopped with Amarillo for notes of juicy orange and tropical fruits. And also in the pale ale corner will be **Exodus** (3.9%) – at the time of writing, the hops for this one are yet to be decided, but it's sure to be a light and easy drinking refresher!

We're getting back into the swing of collaborations at the moment and have **Wanderer – Mountain IPA** (6.5%) on the way. This one sees us teaming up with Heist Brew Co – their head brewer, Scott, previously worked for us, so we just had to invite him back for the day! Having visited Heist last year and brewing *Battle of the Axes* there, we've reused the same recipe to see how it works on our kit, rustling up a hybrid between a West Coast IPA and a NEIPA, with Citra, Centennial and Idaho 7 hops. Expect resinous pine sitting alongside notes of

black tea, juicy mango and pink grapefruit.

We hope you'll all be as excited as we are to hear that we're brewing a riff on our "People's Champion" New Zealand Pale Ale, and have **Dry Hopped Deception** (4.1%) coming soon! Our regular Deception recipe, still at the same sessionable ABV, but turned up to 11 with a double dry-hopping of Nelson Sauvvin for flavours of white grape, gooseberry and elderflower in absolute abundance.

Finally, there are two new releases from the Funk Dungeon to look out for – **Pull of Gravity** (5.6%), a graf (apple raw ale, brewed in collaboration with Ascension Cider Co) and **Ryes Again** (6.0%) – a reimagining of Ryes From the Grave, which some of you may remember was the first ever full release from our mixed fermentation project. A blend of beers aged in barrel for up to four years, fruited with sour cherries, raspberries and blackcurrants. We reckon this one's pretty special.

Brewery Bits

Bradfield Brewery have a new beer out, **Elderflower Ale**. This is a one off small batch brew produced with fresh elderflowers giving it a subtle summery floral aroma, balanced by zesty citrus and grapefruit notes from the hops, finishing with a slight bitterness. It should be a perfect refreshing beer for a hot summer evening! Once all that has gone, the next seasonal beer to look forward to is the return of **Farmers Blueberry Ale**, which some may describe as summer's answer to *Belgian Blue*!

Little Critters continue with their series of Single Batch Cask Specials. The latest is **#3 Session IPA** (4.5%) hopped with Galaxy and Sabro.

New from **St Mars of the Desert** is **Scarlet's**, a Victorian inspired golden mild using Bramling Cross and Whitbread Goldings hops with British malt and historical invert sugars, brewed by Scarlet, the brewery's apprentice brewer.

Grizzly Grains have been busy brewing interesting new beers including **Pine Marten**, an English pale ale; **NZ Pale** brewed with Rakau and Waititi hops; **Get Down**, a pale ale brewed with Citra and Amarillo hops. They've also been making a mixed fermentation braggot using fresh organic UK cherries.

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Early Day Motion

Early Day Motion 292 – Pub Tenants has been tabled by John Cryer MP

An Early Day Motion (EDM) has been tabled by John Cryer MP (Lab, Leyton and Wanstead) on the use of upward-only rent reviews for pub tenants.

The text of the EDM reads: That this House is deeply concerned at the prevalence of upward-only rent reviews among pub tenants; recognises that large numbers of tenants are being placed in extremely difficult financial positions by such rent reviews and the actions of avaricious landlords; notes that in Ireland and Australia such rent reviews have been made illegal; and calls on the Government to follow those examples and to make upward-only rent reviews illegal in order to help very hard-pressed tenants.

CAMRA supports the topic of this motion – we oppose the imposition of upward-only rent reviews on pub tenants, and support reform of leasehold legislation to ban such practices. Therefore, **we encourage members to ask their MPs to sign this EDM or, if they do not sign EDMs, ask them to write to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy to raise the issue.**

If your MP has already signed, you can write to thank them.

Pubs Code Review

The Government is required to review the operation of the Pubs Code and Adjudicator (England and Wales) every three years. This is done through the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS). The Review for the first three years of the Code finally concluded last year, with few meaningful changes being made. This Review, covering 2019-2022 is a chance to secure more meaningful changes from the Government to help ensure that the Code can start to deliver on its founding principles.

CAMRA's Campaigns team will be making a formal submission to the review and have launched a survey to collect the views of tied tenants and other interested parties as part of the Government review of the Pubs Code and Adjudicator in England and Wales.

The survey is primarily aimed at tied tenants of the six regulated pub companies (Stonegate/Ei Group, Punch, Greene King, Star Pubs and Bars, Marston's, Admiral Taverns) but we have written it so that tenants not currently covered by the Code can also take part. The survey is online at forms.office.com/r/SBN3ymJax9 and open until 8 August.

Membership Direct Debit issue

At the end of June a system error resulted in around 2,700 members having an incorrect amount debited from their accounts. Refunds of those amounts were processed on Friday 8 July, and depending on banking providers, all affected members should have received the funds back in their accounts by the end of that weekend.

Some members contacted their banks themselves and reversed the direct debit payments and will not be included in the refund payments – which should avoid them receiving the refund twice, and CAMRA having to recover the additional funds. We will be taking the correct subscription payment from the affected members in August.

Any member who has incurred bank charges as a result of our error will be able to claim those charges back from us. We have set up an online form at account.camra.org.uk/direct-debit-up-date for them to provide evidence of charges so we can refund. Some members may have completely cancelled their direct debits and if they wish to remain members, will need to set up payment again. We will be contacting all affected members to inform them about renewing direct debits and/or claiming back bank charges, but you may be contacted directly. Apologies to any members affected by this issue.

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Rutland Arms
Brown Street

Pub of the Month
August 2022

When I started going to the Rutland it was under the old Reet Ale Pubs management, and was renowned for good beer, great food and legendary parties.

When it was taken over five years ago (where did that time go?) by Chris (previously manager of last month's PotM, Shakespeares) and Kate (previously manager of Three Tuns) not much changed apart from the beer went up a notch, in fact several notches.

Two house cask beers are from the local Blue Bee Brewery, with a further five handpumps featuring an ever-changing range, always including something dark and often including something slightly (or seriously!) unusual.

Keg-wise, the house pale is a rotating Kernel tap dispensing whatever is new and pale from the brewery who started the infamous 'Bermondsey Mile', while up to eight more

craft taps have a wide range of styles, including dedicated lines for sours and imperial stouts.

Cider is not forgotten, with one draught and two regularly changing handpumps dedicated to all things apple (and often pear).

Regular tap-takeover and meet-the-brewer events are held, recently including Holy Goat from Dundee and Brewski from Sweden.

Following their success with the Rutland, in 2019 Chris and Kate opened a second pub, former PotM winner the Crow Inn on Scotland St, which features a similarly top-notch craft beer range as well as seven comfortable ensuite bedrooms.

As well as one of the best beer ranges in Sheffield, there is also an excellent spirit range including a wide array of single malt whiskies and a good selection of rums. As previously mentioned, the food is very high standard, especially the ever-changing specials board, and always includes vegetarian and vegan options.

There is also a jukebox with an eclectic selection of music, over which stands a blackboard of 'recommended music' and 'forbidden music', both regularly updated but the latter quite rightly permanently including Morrissey.

The Rutland was built, in 1936, on the site of a previous pub built in 1902. It has since

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been opened up with the removal of internal walls. However, it is possible to see the layout of the 1936 pub, with the tap room and servery on the left and the lounge on the right (from *Sheffield's Real Heritage Pubs* by Dave Pickersgill, available from Sheffield CAMRA).

The pub is decorated with a mix of pumpclips on the walls and ceiling plus a miscellany of props dotted around. Outside is a smallish garden, usually offering a choice of sun (subject to availability, this is Britain after all...) and shade.

Dave Szwejkowski

The presentation will take place on the evening of **Thursday 18 August**, all are welcome to join us from 8pm for a beer or two!



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Shakespeares Gibraltar Street

Pub of the Month
June 2022



Sheffield CAMRA Secretary Paul Manning (centre left) presents the Pub of the Month award to managers Lucienne Mullen and Chris Wadsworth.

Following the presentation there was a buffet to enjoy. The weather was kind and the opportunity to sit outside with a pint or two was also enjoyed!



Rising Sun Nether Green

Pub of the Year
2022 (West and Overall)



Chantry Inn Handsworth

Pub of the Year
2022 (East Sheffield)



Andy Cullen with manager Gary Raynes.



Paul Manning presenting the award to Terry and Alison.

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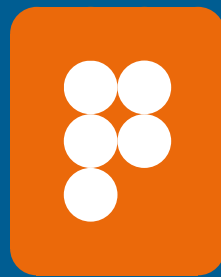
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Sheaf View Heeley

**Pub of the Year
2022 (South Sheffield)**

The Sheaf View at Heeley has been voted as CAMRA Sheffield & District Pub of the Year 2022 (Sheffield South) by our members.

The 19th century pub, near Heeley City Farm, became a real ale oasis after reopening as a free house in 2000. The walls and shelves are adorned with breweriana and provide

an ideal background for good drinking and conversations.

The pub provides eight real ales plus a wide range of Belgian and other continental beers. An incredible selection of malt whiskies also feature and traditional cider is also available.

This is a popular local pub, especially on Sheffield United match days.

The Sheaf View was previously voted Pub of the Month Feb 2018, Pub of the Year (Sheffield South) in 2019 and 2020.

Glyn Mansell

The Sheaf View can be found at 25 Gleadless Road, Heeley, Sheffield S2 3AA. Buses 10, 10a, 24, 25, 43, 44 and X17 stop nearby on London Road by the railway bridge/Ponsfords furniture store. Car park also available.



Our branch chair, Glyn Mansell presents the certificate to Dominic Durham.



Kelham Island Tavern Russell Street

**Pub of the Year
2022 (Kelham Island)**

Congratulations to KIT on being voted as the PotY 2022 (Kelham Island)!

Constructed in the 1830s as part of a terrace, and originally operating as the Sawmaker, the pub was later renamed the White Hart, and in 1995 became the Kelham Island Tavern, before closing in 1999.

Local CAMRA guides from this period describe the pub as: 'Typical back street pub serving local factories at lunch times, quiet in the evenings' (1979); 'A three roomed unspoilt local, situated amongst the factories' (1981); 'Tiny three roomed pub. Rosettes and trophies adorn the bar.' (1985); 'Small open plan pub. Recently modernised from three small rooms' (1996).

In March 2002, the derelict building was purchased and reopened, specialising in real ale. By the following year, the local press had noted it as one of five pubs in the area

among the 'best real ale pubs in Yorkshire.'

In 2003, the Sheffield CAMRA guide described the pub as 'The newest free house to join the Upper Don Valley Ale Trail offering eight real ales of which seven are constantly changing. Opened in March 2002 after being closed for three years. A single room with a wood panelled bar, and a friendly welcome awaits you here. The scheduled garden to the rear is being developed.'

Over the last 20 years, the pub has continued to evolve from this promising start. Since 2019, under the new management of Josh and Louise, it has continued to offer a wide range of both cask (13) and craft beers: the beer garden is outstanding and the pub maintains the standards to which others aspire. The beer range is consistently excellent, always including at least one from Blue Bee. A simple snack menu is available including pork pies and samosas (while stocks last!).

KIT is the only pub to be CAMRA National Pub of the Year two years running (2008/9). It has been CAMRA Yorkshire Pub of the Year five times and Sheffield Pub of the Year on 15 occasions: a record which is unlikely to be overtaken.

Dave Pickersgill

Our presentation will be on **Tuesday 9 August**, meeting from 8pm, presentation at 9pm.



Sheffield Tap Sheaf Street

Pub of the Year 2022 (Sheffield Centre)

Winners in 2020, the Tap has won this award on successive occasions (there were no awards in 2021).

The story of the Tap is well known (see March 2022 *Beer Matters*). Suffice to say that this multiple award-winning pub, reopened in 2009, has become both an integral part of the nationwide beer tourism network while providing an ever-changing range of beers, including those brewed on-site.

The space is adorned with Minton tiled walls and fine ornamented bar fittings. In the 1960s, the space lost its original use and by the 1970s was a waiting room. 34 years after closure, a £180,000 comprehensive overhaul saw the tiling, terrazzo floor and woodwork, including parts of the bar fittings, beautifully restored.

The later key development was when the Tap expanded into the former First Class Dining Room. The tiled and mirrored interior was restored and in January 2013, Tapped Brew Co. began brewing on-site. Two years ago, Ben Tysoe, took on the head brewer role.

Congratulations to the Tap for this award. Long may they continue to provide a warm welcome to Sheffield while simultaneously causing many customers to decide to wait for their next train.

Dave Pickersgill

Join us at the Tap from 8pm on **Tuesday 30 August** for the presentation.



Judging North Derbyshire pubs

CAMRA Sheffield & District get to enter two of our Pub of the Year award winners into the national competition: one in Yorkshire and one in North Derbyshire. Part of the deal of entering a pub in the North Derbyshire competition is that you have to help out judging all the other branches' entries, and this made for an enjoyable day out!

Judging is to a set criteria, this includes factors such as beer quality, clientele mix,

cleanliness, service, promotion of real ale, value for money, community and sympathy with CAMRA's aims.

We started with a ride on the Stagecoach X17 bus from Sheffield to Matlock, this is a limited stop service routed via the Dronfield bypass and Chesterfield and takes just over an hour to get there, where we planned to visit the Matlock & Dales entry to the competition.

The **Twenty Ten** in Matlock was of a relatively modern design with a mixture of sofas, dining tables, and a pool table at the back. The bar boasted a good selection of cask ales along with some interesting craft beers on keg. There was also quality sausage rolls and other bar snacks, as well as a more substantial food menu, all served by a friendly manager and staff. Standards were high with everything kept clean and tidy, and this is the pub that went on to win the competition.

While in Matlock we took the opportunity to visit **Bod**. Newly opened just a few doors down, this is the latest branch of a cafe-bar chain owned by Titanic Brewery. It's a laid back kind of place with two counters – a traditional pub bar serving beers from Titanic plus guests, and a coffee shop counter serving hot drinks and some rather nice cakes.

A half hour or so back on the X17 bus took us to Chesterfield to judge their entry, the **Chesterfield Arms**, which is now also home to Twisted Devil brewery. A visit here is



Twenty Ten, Matlock





Bod, Matlock



Chesterfield Arms



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of course an opportunity to try their beers, however there is a wide range of ales from various breweries both modern and traditional, including the classic bitter that is Bass. Bar snacks from the fridge include pork pies and cheese platters, while the hot food menu features pizzas, wings and loaded fries.

Again, while in the area, we succumbed to the temptation to pop in another close-by pub that we had to walk past to reach the bus stop. **Nep-tune Beer Emporium** is on a residential street just down the hill and is of an interesting design. You walk in and are immediately faced with the bar, which features a great range of reasonably priced beers on both cask and keg. There are rooms to both the left and right, plus a decent sized outdoor drinking area at the rear. This pub also regularly features live music.

Our next hop was on TM Travel's number 15 bus to judge the Dronfield & District branch entry. The bus dropped us outside the **Miners Arms** in Hundall, which sits on the edge of a hill in a rural spot with a great view



Miners Arms, Hundall

over the valley. The Miners is a traditional local village boozery with a range of reasonably priced ales and ciders, pool table, sport on TV, occasional live music and beer garden. You can usually find beer from Pictish along with the local Drone Valley Brewery plus changing guests, a great atmosphere and lots of dogs wandering around looking for attention.

To get back to Sheffield we had to join the next number

15 bus down to Dronfield town centre and connect with the Stagecoach 43 or 44 to Sheffield. This of course offered the chance for a beer between buses around the Dronfield High Street area (pubs here include the **Victoria, Blue Stoops, Manor House Hotel** and **Green Dragon**) or Dronfield Bottom (options include the **Dronfield Arms, Underdog** and **White Swan**).

Andy Cullen



What?Pub

For more information about the pubs, visit whatpub.com, CAMRA's national pub database maintained by volunteers (we are looking for some assistance with this if you are interested by the way!)

Bus and train tickets

Stagecoach

A Gold DayRider offers unlimited travel on all their buses in Derbyshire plus South & West Yorkshire and Nottinghamshire along with Supertram. Adult £7.80, group of up to 5 people £20.

Bus 43/44 provides up to 3 buses an hour between Sheffield and Dronfield whilst the X17 runs hourly through to Matlock (half hourly as far as Chesterfield).

TM Travel

Their Daysaver costs £4.50. The rural bus 15 runs once every 2 hours.

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Festival guide

August

Great British Beer Festival

Tue 2 – Sat 6 Aug

CAMRA's big national event returns to Olympia in London (next to Kensington Olympia London Overground station) featuring a huge range of real ales and other craft beer from across the UK, Europe and the USA, plus an extensive selection of cider & perry along with food vendors, stalls, games, live music and more. For more details and advance tickets visit the GBBF website.

Abbeydale Road

Fri 5 – Sun 7 Aug

A number of bars along Abbeydale Road team up, each hosting tap takeovers for various breweries. Check out their Facebook for more details.

Peakender

Fri 19 – Sun 21 Aug

The Bakewell based festival of beer and music organised by Thornbridge Brewery returns. Advance tickets are advisable and available to buy online. Camping also available to book. TM Travel bus 218 runs from Sheffield to Bakewell.

Peterborough

Tue 23 – Sat 27 Aug

Tented CAMRA volunteer run beer festival held on the river embankment at locations walkable from the railway station. It features a large range of beer and cider plus gin and wine, food vendors, live music and even a small funfair! More information on the festival website.

Seven Hills

Fri 26 – Sun 28 Aug

The beer festival at Sheffield Tigers RUFC is back! Their ground and clubhouse is at Dore Moor, buses 65, 271 and 272 go there (and Dore journeys on bus 81/82 are a short walk away).

Hope Valley

Fri 26 – Mon 29 Aug

The Old Hall Hotel in Hope host their regular bank holiday weekend beer & cider festival. In addition to the pub's normal food and drink offering, a marquee in the car park features a range of over 50 extra beers and ciders along with snacks and entertainment. Trains and buses 271/272 run from Sheffield to Hope.

September

Bolsover

Fri 2 – Sat 3 Sep

Organised by the friends of Bolsover Scouts. Open 4-11pm Friday and 10am-11pm on Saturday, with the latter being a family fun day with a bouncy castle, face painting, live music and stalls (as well as beer, cider and gin). The venue is Bolsover FC on Moor Lane, S44 6EB. More details on their Facebook page. Bus 53 runs from Sheffield to Bolsover Centre from where it is walkable or you can connect with bus 1/1a/81.

Tamworth

Thu 8 – Sat 10 Sep

CAMRA beer festival at the Assembly rooms with around 75 real ales plus a selection of cider & perry. More information on their website.

Grenoside

Sat 10 Sep

Organised by "The Yellow Jersey Team", this event is held in a marquee behind Grenoside Community Centre featuring beer, food and music and is on from 2pm to 11pm. Advance tickets available online. Buses 86 and 135 stop outside.

York

Wed 14 – Sat 17 Sep

York CAMRA's big tented festival on the York Knavesmire racecourse showcasing over 500 beers and 100 ciders along with food stalls and entertainment. Buses are available from the rail station to the festival if you don't fancy walking. The festival is open from 5-11pm Wed (with a members only preview session from 3pm) then 12-11pm the rest of the week.

Derby

Wed 14 – Sun 18 Sep

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Cleethorpes Rail Ale & Blues

Fri 16 – Sun 18 Sep

The festival returns to Cleethorpes Coast Light Railway for its seventh year! A stunning line up of blues musicians from around the country will be making their way to the stage at Lakeside Station to put on a show you will not forget. The award winning Signal Box Inn will be bursting at the seams with a superb variety of real ales and there will be even more ales available from the external bar in The Engine Shed. Then if you fancy a relaxing trip along the coast, take a ride on the light railway, where steam trains will be in action all weekend. The event

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Steel City 46

Plans are coming together for the festival's return after two years off

We're back at Kelham Island Museum from 19 to 22 October, and as this is fast approaching it's time to share with you what to expect.

You may have already seen the posters and flyers out and about promoting the event, with beermats to follow soon. As has become a tradition in recent years there are several versions of the beermats which, when put together, create the festival poster. On the rear is branding from our very much appreciated sponsors. For those of you keen to join the team of volunteers who organise and staff the event, the staffing form is now live on the website to sign up.

We have live music booked from Thursday night onwards, kicking off with Steve Delaney & The Rockets, who are on stage from 8pm. Friday night the music starts earlier with Slim Wilson & The Swamp Brothers playing at 6:30pm, followed by Soul Battalion at 8:30pm. On Saturday there is an all-day programme with the Loxley Silver Band at 2pm, The House Rats at 4:30pm and Tin Soldiers at 7:30pm. We'll also have the Kelham Island Rap-er dancing during the afternoon.

We're inviting all the local cask breweries to nominate a beer to enter into our Champion Beer of Sheffield competition. This will be judged by tasting panels hosted by Beer Central's Sean Clarke on Wednesday afternoon, with the winners announced on stage during the evening. Also, on the first couple of days of the festival there are a number of private talks and tastings available to book onto, with sessions hosted by the Cider Hole's Mike Pomranz, Hop Hideout's Jules Gray and *Sheffield's Real Heritage Pubs* book editor Dave Pickersgill.

As with previous years the festival will be featuring over 300 different beers, ciders and perries spread across a number of bars. The main cask ale and cider bars are in the Upper Hall and Marquee. There have also been some changes, with the Bradfield Brewery bar relocated to the Brearley Room and the craft beers in keg, bottle and can moved to the Crucible Room, a new area added to the festival. The Millowners Arms is now a full-time pub open all year round. This will be open for festival visitors, offering additional food and drink choices alongside the street food traders in the Courtyard and the stalls in the Upper Hall.

For more information please visit the website: sheffield.camra.org.uk/fest.

is free to enter with charges applying for drinks and train rides. A card only policy will be in force across the whole site. More details at cclr.co.uk.

Torrside Smokefest

Sat 17 – Sun 18 Sep

An event at Torrside Brewery in New Mills (10 minutes walk from New Mills Central station on the Sheffield-Manchester line, trains operated by Northern) dedicated to all things smokey – it is a showcase of their range of smoked beers along with guests, on both cask and keg. Food is also available. Advance tickets are required, costing £12, which includes a glass and your first beer.

Calderdale

Thu 22 – Sat 24 Sep

CAMRA beer festival held at the Viaduct theatre in Halifax featuring up to 60 beers – of which about 20 will be served from a wooden cask.

October

Robin Hood

Wed 12 – Sat 15 Oct (TBC)

Nottingham CAMRA are back at Trent Bridge cricket ground, a short bus ride from the station, with a huge range of real ales, other craft beers, cider, perry, food and entertainment.

Steel City 46

Wed 19 – Sat 22 Oct

Sheffield CAMRA's usual annual event returns to the atmospheric Kelham Island Museum following a couple of years off for Covid. See latest news left.



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Pub of the Year (District)

3pm Sat 30 Jul

We present the award to the Anglers Rest in Bamford and enjoy a beer or two. Get there on bus 256/257, alternatively it is walkable uphill from Bamford railway station.

Branch meeting

8pm Tue 2 Aug

All our members are welcome to come along, share pub, club and brewery news, discuss campaigning updates, get involved and more importantly enjoy a beer with us! The venue is the Commercial at Chapeltown, get there on bus 2 or it is a short walk from the railway station.

Pub of the Year (Kelham)

8pm Tue 9 Aug

We present the Kelham Island Tavern with their award and enjoy a beer or two. Buses 57,81,82,86 stop nearby or Shalesmoor tram stop is a short walk away.

Festival planning meeting

8pm Tue 16 Aug

Planning for Steel City 46. The meeting venue is upstairs at the Gardeners Rest, Neepsend. Buses 7 and 8 stop outside or Infirmary Road tram stop is a 5 minute walk.

Committee meeting

8pm Tue 23 Aug

The monthly business meeting for the committee. The venue is the Dog & Partridge on Trippet Lane in Sheffield City Centre.

RambAle

Castleton-Hope

Sat 27 Aug

We start in Castleton for a walk to Hope for the beer festival at the Old Hall Hotel. Catch the 11:20 272 from Sheffield Interchange for a 12:10 start in Castleton.

Pub of the Year (City Centre)

8pm Tue 30 Aug

We are at the Sheffield Tap to present their award and enjoy a beer or two. The bar is at the railway station and easily reached by bus, train or tram.

Branch meeting

8pm Wed 7 Sep

The venue is Factory Floor bar at Neepsend and will include a tour of Neepsend Brewery. Get there by bus 7/8 or it is a short walk from Infirmary Road tram stop.

Festival planning meeting

8pm Tue 20 Sep

Gardeners Rest

RambAle

Penistone-Thurlstone Circular

11:30am Sat 24 Sep

We catch the 11:35 train from Sheffield to Penistone for a circular walk with stops at Crystal Palace (brewpub) in Thurlstone, Huntsman, Whitefaced Brewery & Bar and other pubs in Penistone.

Committee meeting

8pm Tue 27 Sep

Dog & Partridge

52 bus crawl

1pm Sat 1 Oct

A bus ride offering an opportunity to visit some East Sheffield venues including the Oxbow at Woodhouse Mill, Chantry Inn at Handsworth and possibly the Brewery of St Mars of the Desert in Attercliffe – all located along Stagecoach route 52. Buy an all day travel pass such as CityBus and hop on and off. We meet at the Oxbow at 1pm, bus 52 stops outside the pub or the X5 stops around the corner on Retford Road.

Branch meeting

8pm Tue 4 Oct

Venue TBC

Steel City 46

Wed 19 – Sat 22 Oct

The return of our beer and cider festival at Kelham Island Museum.

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