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FOR
REAL ALE**

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Salisbury & South Wiltshire Campaign for Real Ale

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Did You go to Winterfest?

You might even be there now as you read this so I can't tell you how well it went or what was voted beer of the festival but ticket sales were good and we had to buy more beer than the original plan. Running this festival is one of my favourite things of being a CAMRA member and lots of members enjoy visiting and helping at the hundreds of beer festivals around the country.



CAMRA isn't just about festivals, campaigns cover pubs, breweries, planning, taxation and more. As a CAMRA member you can get involved with your local branch for socials, brewery visits and pub crawls, join the tasting panel and learn how to describe beer flavours and have your say in choosing which pubs get into the Good Beer Guide. There are national events as well, with regional conferences and workshops and in April the members weekend and national AGM which this year is in Nottingham. As well as national business there are workshops, brewery visits guided pub crawls and lots of Real Ale.



If you don't have time or don't want to get involved in big events you can even help by campaigning on line by supporting or objecting to planning

applications or lobbying your MP - these campaigns may be organised by a branch or via the national website www.camra.org.uk. Or you can just get to the pub and enjoy some real ale.

CAMRA currently has 168553 members with varied reasons for joining - discounts at beer festivals and some pubs, social events with the branch and or support of CAMRA's aims are frequently the reasons given.

If you are already a member and want to get more involved locally get in touch or come along to a social or meeting. If you aren't a member you could add your name to the campaign and be part of the most successful campaigning organisation ever.

To Join CAMRA go to www.camra.org.uk

Derek Down Under.....

In 6 weeks in Australia & New Zealand I devoted much time to a study of local beers. 15 years ago my experience of Aussie beer was of searingly cold mass produced keg brews that were bland. This time things were different. None of the places I visited in Melbourne area had real ale but in New Zealand I was guided by my son-in-law to some beers on hand pump which could have been real ale. In both places there was an eclectic range of excellent craft beers with their roots in styles from across Europe & USA. What surprised me was the quality & quantity dark beers and the acceptance as normal of beers that were hazy & in some cases very cloudy (like a heavy wheat beer). The citrus flavour of new world hops was, as expected, very evident as was the welcoming and friendly nature of the people serving the beer.



Detailed reports of the beers and bars have been posted in the general forum on our website at <http://www.salisburycamra.org.uk>.

Should any Aussie or Kiwi be in or branch area do contact me & I will be happy to introduce you to our local brews.

Derek Blackshaw, chair of branch.

Stonehenge Ales

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Spire Ale 3.8%
Pigswill 4.0%
Heel Stone 4.3%
Bodyline 4.3%
Eye-Opener 4.5%
Five Rings? 4.5%
Great Bustard 4.8%
Sign of Spring 4.6%
Danish Dynamite 5.0%
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Rudolph 5.0%

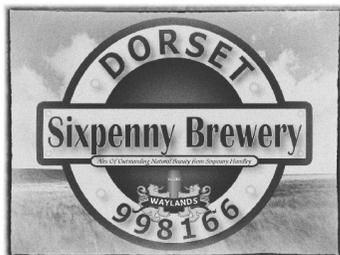
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(front door closes at 10.50 p.m.)

Forest Edge and beyond

Our regular minibus pub visits continued in November at the Forest Edge - **The Lamb in Nomansland** (just in Wiltshire) was busy with diners but ready to welcome a few drinkers as well. The **Palmers Copper** was as good as ever and its still a regular outlet for **Taylors Landlord**. We ventured into wet & windy **Fritham to the Royal Oak**, roaring fires and a choice of 8 ales. **Ramsbury Black Panther** and **Londog Golden Poacher** were my choice - and I found out which bus goes nearby so I feel a lunchtime venture is needed. Back to Wiltshire for the **Woodfalls Inn** welcome featuring **Palmers Dorset Gold** and **Yorkshire Terrier** from York Brewery. Then to the **Kings Head at Redlynch** with **Goffs Joust** a tasty sup.

December saw us celebrate Christmas and some of the Pubs in the Good Beer Guide. **Downton Honey Blonde** was a refreshing start at the Dust Hole and I was delighted to find **Red Cat Prowler Pale** at the **Rai d'Or**. My best of the evening was the lovely dark **Keystone Porter** at the **Village Freehouse** - I returned for more 2 days later.

Christmas saw me at pubs in Lowestoft and London including one which is about to get rid of the keg pumps to make more room for real ale.

Back home and the **Winchester Gate** winter festival had plenty of American hops with the **Peerless Winter Witch & Roosters Union Gap**. My favourite was the one from Lowestoft - **Green Jack Lurcher Stout**.....

The branch celebrated the festive season with a social at the **White Horse in Quidhampton** where the **Exmoor Ale**, **Doom Bar** and **Black Sheep** were joined by a cask of **Plain Ales Inspiration** direct from the cask. That washed my nicely spicy chilli down well.

So many pubs and so many beers - you just have to keep on crawling

Branch Events

February

Wed 4th Branch Meeting 7.30pm Kings Head (Wetherspoons)
Wed 18th Salisbury Crawl 8pm Queens Arms then Wig & Quill, New Inn,
Cosy Club.
Fri 27th Minibus 7pm Cholderton, Newton Tony, Allington,
Idmiston.

March

Wed 4th Branch Meeting 7.30pm Avon Brewery Salisbury
Wed 18th Amesbury Crawl 8.05pm X5 bus Blue Boar Row 8.35 Antrobus
Arms
Sat 21st Box Steam Brewery Visit 10.30 from Coach station.

April

Wed 1st Branch Meeting 7.30pm venue TBC

*For Minibus trips and more details contact Chris MacMahon
social.secretary@salburycamra.org.uk or 01722 503259*

Why not come along and join us.

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Monday - Friday
6pm - midnight

Saturday
4pm - midnight

Sunday
2pm - 11pm

- ◆ 5 Real ales & 2 Trad Ciders
- ◆ Belgian & German Bottled Beers
- ◆ Quiz night Tuesdays

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