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## Our Winning Beers

When the local branch of CAMRA hold their beer festivals they like to ask the punters which beers were their favourites. The top two are then presented with a certificate. It's a great opportunity to find out what our festival goes like and

to meet brewers around the country - some of my best holidays have been planned around presentations.

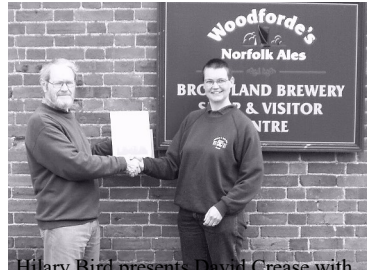
The winner at **Summerfest 2005** was **Hop Back Taiphoo**, normally only available in bottles but casked specially for the festival. Fourteen of us were treated to a chat about brewing, Hop Back and beer in general from Roger when we presented him with the certificate in March. For some of our newer members it was their first visit to a brewery.



Chairman Richard Knox  
Roger McBride with the certificate

**Winterfest 2006** saw **Woodforde's Norfolk Nog** voted runner up. At Easter we visited the brewery

and presented Head Brewer David Crease with their certificate. Woodforde's were delighted to have won another certificate from Salisbury and they hope more local pubs will consider stocking their beers.



Hilary Bird presents David Crease with the certificate for Norfolk Nog.

### BEEREX IS BACK

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## PRIDE OF THE MIDLANDS BEER FESTIVAL

A visit to a Nottingham rugby festival with the Mini  
Section of Salisbury RFC coincided with the  
weekend of this festival at Easter.

It was held at the Victoria Hotel, Beeston, easily  
accessible by train, just a hop over the fence from  
the railway station.

There were 40 beers were available over the  
period, the odd one changed day to day and an  
extensive food menu reasonably priced.

I paid 3 evening visits and tried a range of beers  
from 3.1% (Jennings mild, from W&D alas) to  
4.4%, covering 22 in all.

For me the pint of Funfair Gallopers which I had  
was outstanding. From a small brewery in  
Derbyshire it is a pale bitter 3.8%, similar in style  
and taste to the Dark Star Hophead. My second  
favourites were the Belvoir Star, 3.9%, and  
Oldershaw Harrowby Pale, 3.9%.

I am looking forward to next year when Salisbury  
RFC compete in the same rugby festival again  
over the Easter period. **John**

[www.salisburycamra.org.uk](http://www.salisburycamra.org.uk)

## Still Crawling!

First an apology to the **Wig & Quill** for  
not mentioning them in last editions  
city crawl - we did go there and the  
beer was very good.

We recently did a Harnham crawl and  
were generally disappointed. The **Rose  
& Crown** was the best.

On 20th May we went to the **Hook &  
Glove in Farley, Silver Plough in  
Pitton, Lions Head & Lord Nelson in  
Winterslow** and ended up in the  
**Winterbourne Arms**. The beer was  
good all around except for the **Crop  
Circle** in the **Lord Nelson** - but that was  
swapped for some **Ringwood** as soon as  
we returned it so we can't complain.  
It was good to see some more unusual  
beers like **Palmer's Dorset Gold** in the  
**Hook and Glove** and **Theakstons XB**,  
once again brewed in **Masham**, in the  
**Winterbourne Arms**.

[www.savegales.org.uk](http://www.savegales.org.uk)

## Pub & Brewery News

The **Winterbourne Arms** has re-opened and is now non-smoking. We visited in May and had excellent Theakstons XB and the menu looks tasty.

The **Old Inn at Woodfalls** has changed hands and now allows dogs. They are 'trying to run an old-fashioned boozier with good but plain Pub Grub.'

The **Cross at Tisbury** is now run by **Westbury Ales** so the beer is more interesting there -and better quality.

The **Cross Keys at Upper Chute** has some arrangement with **Fullers** so their beers feature strongly although they also had Adnams.

The **White Horse in Castle Street** has changed as well and has received some good reports on beer quality and the **Wadworths 'Pint Size Brewery' Mild** has been tasted there.

**Hop Back Summer Lightning** is 18 years old and held a party in the Arts Centre to celebrate.

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## Gales Victory!

If it is any consolation one of the Save Gales campaign targets was that if the brewing moved to Fullers they should stop using the term 'Gales of Horndean'. Fullers had intended to keep the Horndean reference but at the Wessex CAMRA regional meeting in May John Keeling from Fullers showed us the new style cans for HSB without the Horndean reference. It will take a little while to get this onto all pump clips but it is happening.

## Young's Loss

Young's of Wandsworth is to shut and brewing will move to Charles Wells in Bedford. The site in Wandsworth has the longest brewing history in the UK as brewing started at the Ram Brewery there in 1581.

The local council want to redevelop the site and have put extreme pressure on Young's to move. CAMRA are urging Young's and Wells to retain all of their beers, keep the two pub estates as separate entities and not refer to Wandsworth on beer brewed in Bedford.

## Branch Events

### June

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Branch Meeting 20.00 Anchor & Hope  
Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Pub of Year Presentation - Wyndham Arms Salisbury  
Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Bike Ride Wylde Valley meet SCATS 10.30  
Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> - Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Beerex Tickets from Arts Centre (01722 321744)

### July

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Branch AGM 20.00 Village  
Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Bike Ride Cuckoo meet Petersfinger 10.30  
Wed 19<sup>th</sup> City Crawl 20.00 Clocktower, 21.00 Kings Arms, 22.00 Deacons  
Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Hall & Woodhouse at Bear Wilton 19.30  
Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Tisbury Crawl 17.40 Salisbury Station, 18.15 Cross

Names for Bear visit to Chris White 07989185049  
Details for cycle rides contact Ian Turner 01722 331134

Items for Barrel Organ [hilary.bird@salisburycamra.org.uk](mailto:hilary.bird@salisburycamra.org.uk) 01722 333839

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