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Salisbury & South Wiltshire Campaign for Real Ale

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David and Alasdair the Food & Drink Festival

Food & Drink Festival 2006

The third Salisbury Food & drink festival took place in the market square on Sunday 24th September. Abbey Stores arranged the beer tent and CAMRA helped with stillage and staff. It is an ideal opportunity for people to try local real ales, some for the first time.

Keystone Brewery from Berwick St Leonard, which only started brewing this summer, had their 3.6% beer 'Bedrock' available. Alasdair Large, one of the brewery owners spent the day serving and meeting the CAMRA members and ale drinkers of Salisbury.

Keystone Brewery Launched

Several members of the branch went to the launch of Keystone brewery and enjoyed a tour of the brewery and a tasting of the full range of beers. Brian reports on the visit.....

"The first beer I tried was Large One (4.2%), Alasdair's first brew, this is malty with a delicate addition of bittering hops to give a spicy aftertaste. The next was Bedrock Bitter with a balance of hops and malt and a delicate citrus aroma from a late addition of English hops. The Gold Standard (4%) is next on my list. This is a Gold coloured hoppy beer full of citrus fruit and floral aromas. Finally we come to Cornerstone Premium Bitter (4.8%). This is darker in colour with plenty of hops and full of flavour up front and was my favourite. I found all the beers had a distinctive taste - perhaps it came from the water which is Fonthill spring water. We had a good day out, were well looked after and wish Keystone well in the future."

The Keystone beers are available at the Royal Oak in Swallowcliffe.

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Out & About

The local branch has been out and about as usual with a summer crawl to **Tom Browns** with a new landlord and better beer quality. Then a walk to the **Victoria & Albert** in Netherhampton with as excellent a selection as ever including Keystone.

We set off to unknown destinations on a mystery minibus trip and visited the **Stag** at Charlton all Saints, which had Youngs Waggledance and Palmers Dorset Gold. Via the **Rose & Thistle** at Rockbourne to the **Cartwheel** at Whitsbury with its excellent range of Ringwood beers. Finally the **Yew Tree** at Odstock capped the evening with the best beer quality and they now have a changing 'guest' beer.

In September we visited the new brewing equipment at Stonehenge Ales. Thanks to Stig and Anne-Marie for the excellent hospitality. We can report that the beer is as good as ever - the Old Smokey at the Food & Drink festival was superb.

Just popping to The Goose !?

To find out when this was possible you need a copy of

Inns & Alehouses of Alderbury & Whaddon

This book produced by Alderbury & Whaddon Local History group has interesting information about past and present drinking places in the area. It is well researched quoting from lots of county records.

The Green Dragon and Three Crowns are described in detail with plenty of pictures through the ages and discussion of local tales such as The Tunnel.

Long closed establishments are also located and described.

For an interesting read copies are available from Cross Keys Bookshop price £3 or the History group for £3.25 (inc p&p) via briangilly@waitrose.com

Pub & Brewery News

It seems to have been fairly quiet in the pubs over the summer. The Black Horse at Tilshead remains closed the Tollgate is for sale and may be looking for change of use - although so close to the college this pub ought to be successful. The Winchester Gate has changed hands but as yet I have no reports on current beer range or quality. All the breweries in our area have continued to produce a range of regular and seasonal beers with Downton Rye Smile and Hop Back Hopscotch available for the food & drink festival. Two new breweries have opened nearby, Keystone in Berwick St Leonard and Three castles near Pewsey. Look out for their beers locally.

Good Beer Guide 2007

The number one Guide to the Pubs serving good quality Real Ale has just been published. It is the only one of these guides which is put together by volunteers who know and visit all of the Pubs included. Each branch of CAMRA have a number of entries, we have 15 for an area with 155 pubs but we would like to have more. To date they have been chosen by discussions at branch meetings.

Good Beer Guide 2008

We start the selection for this Guide soon and with a new selection process. All CAMRA members in the branch will be able to vote without attending branch meetings and will be sent a voting form. We hope this will widen the input and give pubs which the active members rarely get to a better representation.

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Branch Events

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Wed 4th

Wed 18th

Branch Meeting

City Crawl

8 pm Royal George

8pm Black Horse, 9pm Avon Brewery,
10pm White Horse

Sat 21st

Fri 27th, Sat 28th

Minibus Trip to Wylve Valley

6.45 Coach station

Overton Beer Festival sort own tickets

Rugby Club Beer Festival

November

Wed 1st

Wed 15th

Sat 25th

Branch Meeting

8 pm Bird in Hand

Wilton Crawl

8pm W heatsheaf, 9pm Bell, 9.30 Bear

Minibus Trip to Upper & Lower Chutes

6.45 Coach station

Names for minibus trips to Chris White

07989185049

Items for Barrel Organ hilary.bird@salisburycamra.org.uk 01722 333839

Winterfest 2007 2nd & 3rd February Castle St Social Club

Fri Evening, Sat Lunch, Sat Evening Sessions.

Tickets £5

Music on Saturday Evening only.

Look out for details.

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