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Pub of the Year 2009 - The Cuckoo Inn Hamptworth



This year the Salisbury & South Wiltshire branch of CAMRA voted the Cuckoo Inn at Hamptworth their Pub of the Year. On 28th Feb they presented the pub with a certificate and spent an evening enjoying the excellent real ales they had on offer. Unfortunately Landlord Tim Bacon was in hospital so the certificate was presented to

Pete who is one of his regulars. Tim was home the following day and we wish him well in his recovery.

The Pub of the Year award recognises that there is more to a good pub than good real ale and is awarded to one which actively promotes real ale and the aims of CAMRA, which is part of its community and has a friendly welcoming atmosphere. It can be a town or country pub—it must be a good example of the type of pub it is and a great place to go for a few beers.

The Cuckoo is a worthy winner, a genuine community focused pub with excellent real ale much from local brewers. On the presentation visit we had a choice of 8 ales and the farthest travelled on was **Archers Best** from Swindon. The **Bowmans Cuckoorado (aka Elderado)** and the **Three Castles Knights Porter** proved most popular with the branch. The branch winners enter the regional pub of the year competition and we wish the Cuckoo well in that.

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Sponsor a cask and get your name known as a supporter
For details contact; salisbury.beerex@virgin.net

Winterfest Winners

Keystone Porter was voted Beer of the Festival at this years Winterfest with **Red Stag** from **Newmans** brewery runner up.

Congratulations

Still Crawling

February saw the branch crawl visiting the **Dusthole** where the **Downton Quadhop** was in top condition. The **Huntsman** had **Ringwood Best and Jennings 1828** and the **Five Bells** had **Ringwood Best**. We had intended going to Conran's but the hours there have changed so we were too late and instead went to the Royal George which now regularly has **Sharps Doom Bar** which we enjoyed alongside yet more **Ringwood Best**.

In March the minibus trip picked up our Whiteparish members before heading to **Winterslow, Farley, Whaddon and Alderbury**.

Between them we had **Ringwood, Palmers, Greene King and Badger beers**. The **Palmers in the Hook & Glove** was especially good as were the **Badger beers in the Green Dragon**.

Salisbury Arts Centre & Rotary COGS

SALISBURY BEEREX

Salisbury Arts Centre

June 19th & 20th

Fri eve, Sat afternoon, Sat eve

Tickets £10 including first drink

from Arts Centre Box Office

01722 321744

Over 60 Real Ales

Beer management by CAMRA

Music All Sessions

In aid of Alzheimer's Society

**ENGLISH ALES
SCOTTISH MEASURES
IRISH CRAIC**

No Sky TV

DEACONS

FISHERTON STREET

Salisbury

01722 504723

PLUS A WARM WELCOME FROM
FRANK, ANNIE AND STAFF

**We're in
The Good Beer Guide**

Campaigns Update

CAMRA are supporting the "Axe The Beer Tax" campaign which brings together all those with an interest in saving the British pub - a great British tradition which is under threat. The campaign urges the Chancellor to axe plans to further increase the tax on beer, to deal with irresponsible drinkers and premises, to trust adults to make informed choices not punish them for the actions of an irresponsible minority and to support the British Pub as a vital part of local communities. To find out more and add your support go to www.axethebeertax.com over 40,000 people have already signed up.



CAMRA has branded the Prime Minister's claim that he does not wish to penalise the "sensible majority of moderate drinkers" as hypocritical. Last year the Government increased tax on beer by an eye watering 18%, a move which has penalised responsible drinkers and contributed to the loss of nearly 6 pubs a day. CAMRA supports the introduction of a minimum price per unit of alcohol set at a level sufficient to prevent the major supermarkets selling alcohol at a loss and thereby encourage people to drink in the regulated and social environment of the pub.

The Cuckoo Inn



The Cuckoo Inn
Hamptworth is a warm, friendly and traditional pub run by Tim Bacon. Just North of the New Forest

accessed from the A356 at Landford. It is well known for providing a good selection of beers all served from the cask also excellent food and snacks. Children are welcome and can be accommodated within the enclosed garden that surrounds this pleasant English pub.

Private garden with barbecue and Petanque terrains available by arrangement.

**Hamptworth, Salisbury, Wiltshire
SP5 2DU**

**Tel: 01794 390302
Pub of the Year 2009**

For a great selection of interesting local, national or international beers, visit Abbey Stores or Coombe Bissett Stores.

We have just received our first delivery of the 2008 vintage of the immensely popular "Cider by Rosie". We also have a wide range of quality foods to go with your beer and, dare we say it, some very nice wines.

**Abbey Stores
30 Salt Lane
Salisbury
SP1 1EG
01722 336984**

**Coombe Bissett Stores
Homington Road
Coombe Bissett
SP5 4LR
01722 718852**

Branch Events

April

Wed 22nd New Street Crawl 8pm Old Ale house, 9pm Wig & Quill,
10pm Rai D'Or
Sun 26th Bike Ride Woodford Valley 10.30 Leisure Centre

May

Wed 6th Branch Meeting 8pm Winchester Gate
Fri 8th Branch visit to Rugby Club Beer Fest
Wed 13th Harnham Crawl 8 Greyfisher, 8.30 Rose & Crown, 9 Old Mill, 10
Deacons
Sat 16th Minibus Bourne Valley contact Chris
Sun 31st Bike Ride Cuckoo 10.30 Petersfinger

June

Wed 3rd Branch Meeting 8pm Village Freehouse TBC

Minibus details from Chris 07989185049

Bike ride details from Ian 01722 331134

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

Winchester Gate

Beer Festival

Fri 22nd - Mon 25th May

About 15 real ales from
around the country

Cider and Perry

Food

Music

Open all day at:

The Winchester Gate
Rampart Rd
Salisbury SP1 1JA
01722 322834

SALISBURY RUGBY CLUB BEER FESTIVAL

Fri 8th May

Sat 9th May

Fri 7.00 - Midnight

Sat 7.00 - Midnight

Tickets £5

On sale from April
at the Clubhouse
Castle Rd, SALISBURY

Tel 01722 325317

**Bar Games
No Music**