

Pint Taken



Autumn 2011



Fruiterer's Arms, Uphampton

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News Roundup

Champion beer of the year

After a year of local tasting panels and regional heats leading up to the finals, Mighty Oak brewery's Oscar Wilde was crowned the 'Best Beer' in Britain at the Great British Beer Festival, Earls Court, London.

Oscar Wilde, which has an ABV of 3.7%, is described in CAMRA's Good Beer Guide 2011 as a 'roasty dark mild with suggestions of forest fruits and dark chocolate. A sweet taste yields to a more bitter finish'.

NOT BAD FOR AN ESSEX BEER

The Maldon brewed real ale was judged the Supreme Champion over a host of other finalists in seven different beer categories (Bitters, Best Bitters, Strong Bitters, Golden Ales, Milds, Winter Beers, and the Speciality class), including beers from both small micro-brewers and large regional brewers.

An elated John Boyce, Managing Director of Mighty Oak brewery, on hearing the results, said: **"I always had a lot of confidence in Oscar Wilde as it was successful from day one. We've been brewing it for at least ten years, winning prizes ever since. Not bad for an Essex beer!"**

OTHER RESULTS

With Mighty Oak securing the Gold award for 2011, this year's Silver went to Marble brewery's Chocolate, whilst

the Bronze award went to Salopian brewery's Shropshire Gold.

The top three placings were Champion Beer of Britain - Mighty Oak, Oscar Wilde (3.7% ABV, Maldon, Essex) Second - Marble, Chocolate (5.5% ABV, Manchester, Gtr Manchester) Third - Salopian, Shropshire Gold (3.8%ABV, Shrewsbury, Shropshire) .

A full list of all the category winners can be found on the CAMRA website www.camra.org.uk

Cask Ale Week is back

National Cask Ale Week is a campaign organised between



CAMRA and Cask Marque. Some of the National Cask Ale Week aims are to encourage non-real ale drinkers to try real ale for the first time and to encourage non-real ale pubs to stock real ale for the first time.

With free promotional material and space on the CAMRA website for CAMRA branches and pubs to promote their **planned activities, it's a great opportunity for pubs to encourage pub visitors to join in.**

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CAMRA – help or hindrance?

A help as CAMRA members appreciate the range of ale and score the quality which helps promote the pub.

Biggest challenge facing pubs this year: Trying to overcome the rising prices of the ale because of brewing costs, VAT and duty.

Single wish for the future: To provide the customer with the largest possible choice of ale.



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Local News

One year on

Licenseses Matt and Mel have just celebrated one year at the Rose and Crown, Feckenham and are making quite a go of it. They both worked for Marston's and spent a long time looking for a village pub that suited them. The pub has a public bar, a lounge and a restaurant that may be used for private parties. There is also a sitting area adjacent to the garden. The garden has been restored and it is lovely to sit in when the weather is good. There are usually three real ales on and one traditional cider. Brakspear Oxford Gold is the house beer with guests from the Marston's portfolio, with beers such as Jennings, Ringwood and Wychwood. Sometimes local breweries are used.

DISCOUNT

CAMRA members qualify for a discount on real ale on selected days, currently the first Monday of the month.

Brewery floored

Cannon Royall are arranging to have new flooring put down in the mash tun room, but trying to co-ordinate a time with the flooring company and a non brew day is proving trickier than anticipated. They are also hoping to upgrade their "executive suite" before the winter sets in. Enquiries into suitable units have been

made but no firm plans are in place as yet.

LOVELY HOPS

They are still experimenting with new hops and recently tried a New World hop that produced a very citrusy, grapefruit flavour that was greeted appreciatively by lager drinkers when it was trialled at the Hartlebury Club.

Pub chain sell off

The freehold of the Railway Inn, Hewell Road Redditch is currently up for sale for **£225,000. The pub is one of 22** across the Midlands that have been put on the market by Penn Street Taverns, a public house management company. Properties in the portfolio **range from £95,000 - £450,000** and are mainly freehold. Some are being marketed

with the potential for alternative use, subject to the necessary local authority planning consents.

Red Lion refurbished

The Red Lion, Bromsgrove has had work carried out to improve the Grade II listed 18th century building as part **of the district council's Frontage Improvement Scheme.**

As a result, the frontage has been redecorated, windows repaired and brickwork repaired.

At the same time the interior has undergone a complete refurbishment, returning the pub image to that of a more traditional one.

The Frontage Improvement Scheme has already helped owners of other historic buildings in the High Street since being launched last year.

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Bear Hill Boogie

Redditch & Bromsgrove CAMRA branch members Mark and Kathy Collinson were lucky enough to brew their own beer at Enville Brewery, having successfully bid for the chance to do so at the Dudley Winter Ales Festival in November last year.

CIRCUS CONNECTIONS

The 4.5% dark golden beer, brewed with honey and caramel plus four malts and three hops, was showcased at Stourbridge Beer Festival in April (where it won the joint bronze award). A second brew enabled it to also make the line up at Bromsgrove Beer Festival in July.

It has also been available at



the Barnt Green Social Club and the Weighbridge, Alvechurch.

The name was chosen by Kathy to reflect the fact that it is a honey beer, and because Bear Hill is the area in Alvechurch where they live.

Only after the name was chosen was it discovered that the road gained its name by association with a travelling circus that used to visit the village with a dancing bear as part of the repertoire.

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Fri	12 - 2.30	5.30 - 12
Sat	12 - 11	
Sun	12 - 4	Closed

Food served

Mon	Closed	5.30 - 8
Tues - Thu	12 - 2.30	5.30 - 9
Fri	12 - 2.30	5.30 - 9
Sat	12 - 9.30	
Sun	12 - 4	Closed

Ted May celebrates his 72nd birthday in style

On the Pull for 60 Years

Ted May the licensee of the **Fruiterer's Arms**, Uphampton, which is also his family home, celebrated his 72nd birthday on 4th July. He has actually served in the pub for over 60 years, having pulled his first pint at the age of 14.

TWO GUINEA LICENCE

Ted is the great grandson of the founder Thomas May, who purchased the estate in 1848 for the princely sum of **£200**. He took advantage of the **Duke of Wellington's** Beer House Act of 1830, paid the necessary two guineas fee for a licence to the Excise, and turned a room of his house into a small bar. He chose the name of "**The Fruiterer's**" because that was his occupation. A small brewery was opened at the rear of the beer house, which specialized in a popular Ombersley drink of the time, a form of malty mild with a gravity of 1060, the second highest in England! Brewing continued there until the **1930's**.

THE FAMILY LINE

After the founder's death in 1871, his widow Ann held the licence and their youngest son Thomas became landlord in 1878. He held the licence for 50 years until his death in 1928, when it was then taken up by his widow Emma until 1931.

Ted told Pint Taken that he remembers setting up the Radcliffe's beers from Kidderminster, "**wonderful tasting beer with a golden colour**". Today, Radcliffe's posters

adorn the bar and lounge. **Radcliffe's were taken over** by W. Butler of Wolverhampton in 1947.



163 YEAR RECORD

Then the grandson (another Thomas May) took over right up to 1966, when great grandson Thomas continued the tradition until his death in 2004, to be followed by brother Ted.

The May family has held a consecutive licence at the **Fruiterer's for 163 years**. A county record!

BREWING RETURNS

History repeated itself in 1993, when after a gap of 60 years, brewing began again at the

Fruiterer's. Cannon Royall Brewery was opened at the rear of the pub, and continues to brew a range of award winning beers,



including the popular Arrowhead Bitter which has been served in the House of Commons bar. Jim Wonders, founder of Cannon Royall Brewery said, "**Ted is a reliable, modest man who is keeping on the tradition left by his brother and other members of the May dynasty of licensees**".

RELAXED ATMOSPHERE

Ted and his wife Doreen continue to provide a happy and relaxed atmosphere at the **Fruiterer's** in what remains an unspoilt country pub, a hub of the local community and a CAMRA Good Beer Guide regular.





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Editoreale



I was saddened to hear of the untimely death of Len Irving (see page 15). Len was

a great supporter of CAMRA, his local branch in Worcester and Pint Taken. Over the last few years Len was always ready to search out news, articles and produce artwork for advertisers. He was a great volunteer and will be missed.

There are now over 2,000 CAMRA members within Worcestershire, but possibly only 200 who are active volunteers supporting their local branch. It is a similar story across many voluntary or social organisations where a number of dedicated members do most of the groundwork and keep the organisation going. Some of us do it because we don't want to see things fail, but many do it just for fun!

Over 1,000 CAMRA volunteers work at the Great British Beer Festival each year using their working life skills to ensure a fantastic event happens for the visitors.

Worcester CAMRA branch are actively seeking a secretary and a publications officer. Each role is not that demanding, but can be very rewarding and looks good on your CV too! If you are a CAMRA member and able to support your local branch I would encourage you to do so, as many hands make light work and it's very rewarding as well.

Cheers,
Charlie Ayres,
Editor



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A Fortnight of Festivals

Local beer festivals are becoming very popular in the Redditch & Bromsgrove CAMRA branch area as pubs and clubs put together their own events to showcase the best of beer and cider.

NEW EVENT

Our first festival, and the **venue's**, was at Astwood Bank Cricket Club, found on Sambourne Lane just outside the village. Eight beers were on offer on stillaging loaned from Purity, as well as two beers on hand pump from Enville and Bathams. My favourite beer was Kinver Brewery's **Noble 600**, a pale bitter brewed from citrus hops. There was also a separate wine tent and a hog roast. Blackwell Social Club was

our second port of call on Saturday evening, and it was **the club's second festival** as well. A small tent had been set up at the back of the club with eight beers and a cider – the last tub out of six! The most popular beer was Wye Valley's **seasonal special** – a pale straw coloured beer made from elderflower called Flower Power, but Devon Dater from Clearwater Brewery and Scrumdigitty (Goddards Brewery in the Isle of Wight) were also enjoyed. The club also provided a good value food and entertainment in the clubroom.

CATSHILL FIRST

On the following Friday we headed over to Catshill to support the first beer festival

at the Crown Inn. **The pub's** beer garden was busy with drinkers enjoying a range of six beers served from the small marquee. The Davenport's **IPA was in very good** form, as were Pure Gold and Mad Goose from Purity brewery. The Crown also stocked **Castle Rock's Harvest Pale**, a blond beer brewed with American hops having a crisp finish, which is a regular favourite with the locals.

BUSIEST YET

Our final festival was at the Red Lion, Alvechurch. This Vintage Inns owned pub had a great showcase of beer from across the nation in a small marquee, with bales of hay arranged for extra seating.

This festival was the busiest of the four we had visited and also had the biggest beer range – twenty beers! The breweries featured included the Moor Beer Company in **Somerset and Rudgate's Ruby Mild**, but my favourite here was Freeminer Speculation, a hoppy sweet bitter at 4.8% with a malt aftertaste. Three ciders were also available as well as two local beers from Purity and Weatheroak Hill.

SPOILT FOR CHOICE

With four festivals taking place over two weekends we certainly were spoilt for choice and it just goes to show that real ale is in strong demand! There are more pub festivals taking place throughout the year, visit the Redditch & Bromsgrove CAMRA website **for details. If you're a licensee** looking to run a great event then why not give a beer festival a go...?



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Good Beer Guide 2012

The 2012 edition of CAMRA's best-selling Good Beer Guide will be released on 15th September 2011 (RRP £15.99).

EXTRA PAGES

The Guide has had 20 extra pages added to allow for 100 new real ale brewers to be included and now lists 900 breweries of every shape and size along with details of the regular beers they brew.

BEST REAL ALE PUBS

The Guide also features 4,500 of the best real ale pubs in the UK. The pub listings are as varied and interesting as always and with every corner of the country represented there is definitely a pub for every-

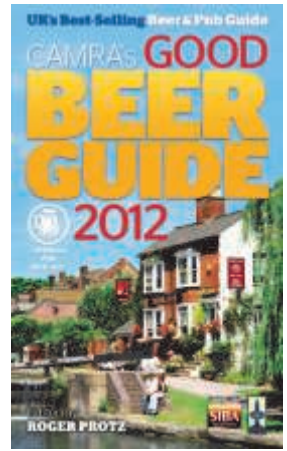
one's taste in the Guide.

TECHNICAL REVOLUTION

The Good Beer Guide is also joining the technological revolution, with plans for an eBook edition well advanced for release in 2011. The CAMRA marketing team have also begun work on a GBG eNewsletter for CAMRA members as well as a Good Beer Guide twitter feed (@greatpubs), both these projects are aimed at raising awareness of the Guide and further promoting the featured pubs.

GREAT VALUE

CAMRA's Good Beer Guide 2012 is available for pre-order from the CAMRA shop (visit



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County Pub of the Year award

Worcestershire's Winning Pub

Ye Olde Seven Stars, Kidderminster was recently presented with the Worcestershire Pub of the Year award. The presentation was well attended with members from local CAMRA branches and many of the local customers

who came to cheer them on.

HARD WORK

During an enjoyable evening Charlie Ayres, Area Organiser for Worcestershire CAMRA presented

the certificate to Robin and Mat Copeman who were delighted to win, stating "although we have worked hard to bring good quality real ale to Kidderminster, we could not have won this without the hard work of all our bar staff".



Ye Olde Seven Stars now goes forward to the next stage of the competition where a total of five pubs will be judged for the coveted title of West Midlands Region Pub of the Year.

FINALISTS

The other four pubs are the Green Dragon, Bishops Frome; the Lord Nelson Inn, Coventry; the Blue Bell, Kidsgrove and the Beacon Hotel, Sedgley.



Robin and Mat Copeman celebrate their win



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Young's to quit brewing
Pubs Only

Young & Co has announced that it is to stop brewing and sell its minority stake in the **Wells & Young's Brewing Company** to Charles Wells. It intends instead to concentrate on managing its pub portfolio, which is based mainly in London and the South East.

An arrangement will ensure that Charles Wells will supply beer to be served in the pubs.

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In memory of a dedicated CAMRA member

Len Irving 1947 – 2011

Tragically Len Irving died suddenly in June this year. Len has been an active member of CAMRA for many years acting as the Worcester branches



point of contact and distribution co-ordinator for the region's CAMRA quarterly magazine, Pint Taken. More recently he became a Brewery Liaison Officer and secretary to the branch.

MUCKING IN

Len was also very active in the organisation of the Worcester CAMRA Beer, Cider and Perry festival. He didn't mind mucking in during the setting up and taking down. He sat on the festival committee for several years and last year took over the cooling manager role.



Len also worked at many festivals around the CAMRA West Midlands region, Bromsgrove, Hereford and Stourbridge to name a few.

SOCIAL

Needless to say Len liked his real ale and often attended social trips where you would see him enjoying a few halves but never a pint. In fact I think



I have only seen Len with a pint once and that was as a prop whilst a photograph was taken for an awards ceremony!



TRAVELLING

It was whilst Len was combining his love for real ale with his other love of travelling around the West Country in June that he suddenly had a heart attack.

MISSED

Len will be greatly missed by many. He was quietly spoken but always happy to engage in discussions on all sorts of topics. He was a great listener and would provide good advice and support when it was really needed. He was a true gentleman, always with a smile on his face and a twinkle in his eye.

SPECIAL ALE

Our thanks go to Cannon Royal for brewing a special ale in memory of Len called "Irving Beerlen" a 4.2%, extra pale ale with an interesting selection of hops. I'm sure Len would have loved it.

This year's Worcester Beer, Cider and Perry festival is dedicated to the memory of Len Irving.



Festival - Best Yet

Redditch and Bromsgrove CAMRA has hailed this year's Bromsgrove Beer and Cider Festival a resounding success. The event held over three days in June/July at the town Rugby Club proved as popular as ever with glorious sunny weather encouraging many visitors from Bromsgrove and beyond to attend.

Lots of people were impressed with the larger, new style marquee though the transparent roof did cause some problems for the staff. As usual gazebos and picnics were prevalent demonstrating that many were making a day of the event. Beer (over 7300 pints served) was available right until close of play with the cider and perry (over 2000 pints served) only running out 30 minutes before the published closing time. The increasing popularity in real ale and pub campaigning was demonstrated by no less a record than 84 new CAMRA members signing up at the festival. Festival games proved popular as did the books and gifts available from the CAMRA shop. In addition, festival charity J.A.Y.s was



delighted to have raised **£1,225.35 for multiple sclerosis** with the public **donating £394.54 of unspent tokens.**

As voted by festival goers, Beer of the Festival went to Titanic Plum Porter with the cider/perry award going to Gwynt Y Draig Two Trees Perry. New Halesowen brewery Angel Ales were delighted to find that their Vanilla Sky Ale was the first beer to run out.

CUSTOMER REACTION

Reaction from customers was very positive with the following being typical: "Probably the best reason for living in Bromsgrove! Thanks to all the **volunteers involved**", "**Great, I proposed to my other half here last year**", "**Very well organised, great choice of dark ales & stouts. Staff are a great bunch - roll on next time!**", "Fantastic, great beers, great company. Keep up the good work", "Best festival I have been to. Good range of beers and I commend the branch and the Rugby Club for this and the good atmosphere."

A festival review has already been held and a number of ways to improve the event for 2012 have been discussed including not having a clear **"sun trap" roof and improving** the range and quality of food on offer.

For more reaction and photos of the ninth Bromsgrove Beer and Cider Festival go to www.bromsgrovebeerfestival.org.uk



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More local pub events

Pub Fun

It's a bit of a festival frenzy around the Redditch area over the next three months at a number of pubs and clubs.

Below are the dates that the pubs and clubs are holding beer festivals.

2nd September - 4th Barnt Green Social Club, Barnt Green

23rd September - 24th Weighbridge, Alvechurch

14th October - 15th Wythall Community Club, Wythall

26th November Goat and Trousers (Peace Hall), Rowney Green near Alvechurch

All of the clubs will let you in if you present your CAMRA membership card. Why not pop along and join in?

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New young members contact Ali Fitton takes over the diary

Young Member Events

SOCIAL IN STUDLEY

Saturday 1st October: Social trip to Studley Cricket Club beer festival for 1pm. Meet at the Shakespeare, Studley and then stroll to the club.

BIRMINGHAM BEER FESTIVAL

Saturday 29th October: A working social at Birmingham Beer Festival 12 noon onwards with a social in the evening. Meet at New Street Station around 11.30 am. The evening social will be around the Digbeth pubs.

CURRY NIGHT

Thursday 10th November: A Young Members Curry Night at the Royal Enfield, Unicorn

Hill, Redditch. Meet at around 7.30 pm, have something to eat and afterwards see where the evening takes us around Redditch Centre...

SUNDAY EVENT

On the last Sunday of every month meet at the Seven Stars, Headless Cross for pub games and a pub crawl.

These young member events are open to all, regardless of age or CAMRA membership. For further details and more events, check out **the Young Member's web** page at www.rbcamra.org.uk, e-mail ym@rbcamra.org.uk or join our Facebook group, Redditch & Bromsgrove CAMRA Young members.

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New management bring spirit back to historic pub

Life in the Old Cock Yet

The Old Cock Inn situated on Friar Street, Droitwich is steeped in history. It was first licensed in the reign of Queen Anne and has been linked to the infamous Judge Jeffries and the Assizes. Since then the old inn has been a focal point for merriment, liquor and victuals.

FOCAL POINT

Last December this Marston's pub was taken over by Stuart Wilcox and Graham Leonard who are determined to bring the spirit of the Old Cock Inn back to life. They have been working over the past few months to revive the essence of the Inn and develop its concept into a real pub for its

community and visitors, serving good quality products, real ales and real home cooked food within a friendly welcoming environment.

AUTUMN FESTIVAL

The goal is to get the Old Cock Inn back on the map as an ideal venue for all real ale drinkers. Autumn 2011 will also see the pub showcasing its own Real Ale and Cider Festival.

The pair are hoping that the next few months will prove positive for the Old Cock Inn and that once again it will become a great place to visit, socialise, meet and have fun. www.oldcockinn.co.uk



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Romania or Remain Here

After what can only be described as a quieter than usual start to the working year, I was despatched to Bucharest, capital of Romania. Despite it becoming one of the new EU states, with major hotel chains occupying the new buildings and the ever present international stores and fast food outlets assaulting your senses with their garish signage, the city was grey. The buildings generally square and grey, the atmosphere grey, and for the first three days the weather was grey.

The work itself went reasonably well, so when the bulk of it was done I felt that it was time to start beer hunting.

I searched the web, asked the hotel staff, spoke to locals and the only name that came up was **Caru'cu Bere**.

OLDEST BEERHOUSE

Just a one mile taxi ride from **the hotel, the Caru'cu Bere** was the oldest remaining beerhouse in Bucharest, and was opened for the first time in 1879 in the old Zlatari Inn. After 20 years it moved to



Stavropoleos Street, where it can be found even today. The architecture of the building, both inside and out was amazing, with mural paintings, the stained glasses and the carved cross-beams. The bar has its **own symbol 'Old Ghita'**, whose silhouette guards the cellar to this day. Old Ghita, the cellar man, worked some **dozens of years within Caru'cu Bere**, moving up and down the stairs to the cellar crammed full with wine and beer barrels.

FOOD ORDER

However, this is not an architecture magazine, so onto the beer. The home brewed (but no longer on the premises) beers were palatable and refreshing but typically continental. The choice was either a pilsner style or a weiss beer. The weiss beer hit the spot, but my relaxation was spoiled by the constant flow of waiters trying to get a food order. This place is very popular so a drinker taking a table appears to be frowned upon. After three beers I had had enough and although there was some very enjoyable Folk dancing going on, I vacated the table.

JAZZ BAR

The following day with the sun shining, having given up on achieving any great beer experience, while wandering about 100m from my hotel in the Calea Victoriei, I spotted a

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sign for “Green Hours Jazz Bar” and what a treat it turned out to be. It was the courtyard of a small theatre, furnished with roughly made wooden benches all under the shade of some ancient trees. The bar was a kiosk, and the waiters that served the tables were always on hand ready for a top up. The bar/courtyard was buzzing with the sound of people relaxing and enjoying an after-work relaxant. I took my place on a big circular bench, sat back against the tree and waited for service. The waiter was there within seconds, and on asking about the beers produced a list, most of which I had never heard of let alone tried. His suggestion was that while I studied the list I had a glass of the “special” Ursus draught

beer. This turned out to be an un-filtered, un-pasteurised delight! This was dispensed using its own naturally produced CO2 to drive it from the keg to the glass, Needless to say, this disappeared and another was ordered.

DILEMMA

Next came a serious dilemma. I checked my wallet, ordered a third drink and asked the waiter about paying by card. **Shock, horror.... they didn't take cards.** I knew I had only **about £20 in cash so asked the waiter the price of the beer, to make sure I had enough for a couple more. “Its happy hour” came the reply, “from four till seven you can drink at a special price”. He quoted me a price which made me very happy.** This beautiful beer was

86p for a large glass (500ml) which works out at just under **£1 a pint.**

APOLOGY

And because of this, dear readers, I have an apology to make. For some strange reason I completely forgot to take any photos of this bar, so you will have to use your imagination.

I have since found out that the Green Hours theatre and jazz bar are a non-profit making charitable organisation. **Now that's my idea of helping a charity!**



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A Taste of Chinatown

Birmingham's Chinatown may not compare in size with those of San Francisco, Toronto or even London but, nevertheless, it is fascinating to visit. In the evening it is very busy so it is better to devote a lunchtime to its exploration. There is still a vibrant atmosphere and good value lunch offers are available.

SUITABLY REFRESHED

Of course one would not wish to embark upon this project unless suitably refreshed, so where better to start than the Old Fox, Hurst Street, opposite the Hippodrome. This two roomed pub has a U-shaped bar which serves both the wooden floored public bar

area and the carpeted lounge with adequate seating. There are impressive coloured glass windows and mirrored columns in the lounge. There are usually four real ales on offer with guests from micro-breweries, often local ones. Some beers not normally seen in this area have been known to appear. Prices are reasonable, particularly for a city centre pub.

PLENTY OF CHOICE

Back to Chinatown, there is a wide variety of restaurants and Chinese mini-markets where you may stock up those items not easy to find in ordinary supermarkets. In many of the restaurants you will find



most of the customers are of Chinese descent. The Chung Ying has been in the area for about 30 years and has lovely food. Their lunchtime special **at £10 is excellent value.** The Big Wok is a cheap and cheerful, eat all you like, buffet and the Ken Ho is a more home cooked style with some exotic dishes you would be brave to try. The portions are gigantic. It is best to walk around and see what you can find that suits you and perhaps return to the Old Fox to think it over.

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Redditch & Bromsgrove CAMRA award

Club of the Year

The Redditch and Bromsgrove CAMRA area is blessed with a number of excellent clubs that **sell real ale, and this year's** Club of the Year competition was hotly contested. The winner was Barnt Green Social Club, located close to the main high street in Barnt Green.

The club stocks three real ales, with London Pride as a permanent feature and two rotating guests which are often LocAles.

BEER FESTIVAL

The club organises an annual beer festival, which this year is taking place from 2nd to 4th September, and CAMRA members just need to show their card to gain entry.

Pictured from left to right are barmaid Christy Dusconi, club steward Roger Butcher, club president Bill Fitzpatrick,



barmaid Lisa Whitehouse and Redditch and Bromsgrove branch chairman Paul Richards.

THRILLED

Roger Butcher said "We were thrilled to win the award and thank CAMRA for their continuing support. CAMRA members are always very welcome at the club, and we hope that people will be able to join us at the beer festival in the Autumn."



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On the Map and On the Drawing Board

As well as being one of the most beautiful places on earth, the Lake District is legendary for its real ales, increasingly based around a growing number of pubs that have decided to brew their own beer.

ON THE MAP

Two of the most famous have been established for some time and are definitively on **the real ale drinker's map**. The first is the Black Bull, Coniston which stocks the full range of Coniston beers and has ten hand pulls. The second is the Watermill, Ings which stocks 16 beers, of which around six are brewed in-house and are all based around doggy



themes due to the passion of the landlord and landlady for our canine friends. The beer names include Dogth Vader and Wuf Justice.

BOTTLED ALES

What prompted this article was one particular day of our Easter holiday when we went to Cartmel in the southern Lake District to visit the priory and popped into the village centre, where we discovered a shop in the square called the Red Pepper. Not only do they stock an excellent range of bottled ales and wines (for those who also like the grape), but they are also starting their

own brewery. The owners inherited the square from their grandfather and have already set up a bakery and a cheese shop, so for them a brewery seemed to complete the set nicely (the picture below shows the work in progress). In the shop they have a bottle showing the coats of arms from each of the four founders of the village, and these are planned to be the first four beers from the brewery.

SPECIALITY BEER BAR

The reason why the day stands out for us is that very same afternoon we ventured into Kendal and popped into **Burgundy's Wine Bar**, as this also sells a number of real ales. It is probably more accurate to say that the place is a speciality beer bar that also sells some nice wines, and on this particular occasion they were just winding up a beer festival in the lower cellar bar. You can imagine our surprise and delight, when going down to select a beer or two, we noticed some brewing equipment in the area behind the pumps. It turns out that **Burgundy's will also be brewing** its own beers in the near future, and apparently the lower bar will be turned into a dedicated beer haven.

MORE DELIGHTS

If we can, by sheer chance, find two breweries that are on the drawing board in one afternoon, how many more delights must await the discerning real ale traveller in this wonderful part of the country?

A vertical advertisement for Woodcolliers Arms pub. The top part shows an interior view of the pub. Below that is the text: "Woodcolliers Arms", "Traditional family run Free House", "Genuine Russian Food menu", "Cordon Bleu chef Boris Ruzhba", "Traditional pub food", "Railway themed dining room", "Casque Marque accredited", "CAMRA Guide 2011", "Real Fires in winter Dog friendly", "Character old pub made out of 5 old buildings dating as far back as 1600's", "The only pub in the world by this name!". At the bottom left is a small photo of the pub's exterior. At the bottom right is the address: "Woodcolliers Arms", "76 Welch Gate", "Bewdley, Worcs.", "DY12 2AU", "Tel: 01299 406589". At the very bottom is the website: "E: info@woodcolliers.co.uk www.woodcolliers.co.uk".

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Letters

Dear Sir,

On behalf of J.A.Y.s, we would like to say a big thank you to all the breweries and pubs that donated items for prizes that were used in our tombola and raffle at this **years' Bromsgrove Beer Festival**.

We would also like to thank all the visitors and staff members who had a go on our stall. With the proceeds from the tombola and raffle plus the donated beer tokens we **raised a fantastic £1,225.35**

This money will be donated to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, with half going to research and the rest to local specialised nurses. For more

information and details of those who donated prizes please visit our website www.jays.org.uk

Cheers,
Jackie, Anthony & Yvonne.
(J.A.Y.s) (by email)

Hello,
I enjoy reading Pint Taken, and thought the guys who did the Wetherspoon challenge performed very well and obviously had a great time. One small point, Ayr is not in Dumfries and Galloway as reported by Richard Scarth in the Spring edition, it is in Ayrshire (the name is a clue).

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Quick Halves



- Studley Cricket Club will be holding a Beer Festival from Friday 30th September to Saturday 1st October. There will be 15 beer and five ciders available. Entertainment will also be available including morris dancing, a barber shop quartet and cabaret on the Saturday night.
- The Royal Oak, Catshill has a new owner. Peter Savin has re-opened the restaurant and is serving a range of traditional, home produced fare. Two real ales are served, Greene King Old Speckled Hen plus a guest beer. On the day of our visit Black Sheep Bitter was on offer with Birds Natural Blonde coming next as Peter is keen to source locally produced beers.

- Wythall Community Club, Wythall will be holding their annual Beer Festival on 14th & 15th October. This year's festival will be offering 20 real ales and ciders along with food and entertainment. There are also plans to run a Cheese & Wine event in conjunction with the festival on Saturday afternoon. Opening times are 6.30pm – 11.30 pm on Friday and 12 noon – 11.30 pm on Saturday. For the latest information go to: www.wythallbeerfestival.co.uk

- The Duck Pond, Oakenshaw Redditch having been recently refurbished has re-opened with a new name. It is now called the Duck Inn. More details about the pub and what it has to offer are available at their website www.theduckinnoakenshaw.com

- com
- The Book and Candle, Church Hill Redditch is to be demolished to make way for a new road.
 - If you are out in Studley do visit the Entaco Club. Currently there are two real ales available, Tribute from St Austell and a guest ale. Recently this was Victoria Works from the Weatheroak Brewery.
 - The Galton Arms, Himbleton has had a change of management. The current chef is taking over as the manager but, it is believed, will still focus on real ale as one of the pub's strengths. The pub currently

offers five beers including Bathams, Wye Valley, Banks's Bitter and two guests. It is not known yet if the beer range will change.

- The Dolphin, Bishampton, has been totally refurbished and is being run by a new management team. Ken Rothwell is the chef and his wife Dee the manager. Ken has expanded the range of ales to four and has inaugurated a beer festival. The pub offers good value home cooked food and a take away fish & chips service from Tuesday to Saturday (until 9 pm).
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To the left is the Tap Room with high backed settles and a stove. The Five Mile has many hidden rooms. A snug lies

down a few steps and surprise, surprise there is another room below a few more steps with its own cellar bar.

Free from the spoiling hands of pub companies and even breweries, the **pub is listed in CAMRA's National Inventory of Historic Pub Interiors.**

The current owners took over from the Ruck family who kept the pub for 65 years until the landlady Ivy Ruck died in 1995. Much needed and sympathetic restoration ensured that the key, historic features of this beautiful pub were maintained but turned the Georgian extension into a



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- Sat 10 Sept Pub tour around Stourport, details to be advised
- Tue 4 Oct Social meeting 7.45 pm - Mug House, Bewdley DY12 2EE
- Sat 22 Oct Pub tour of Worcester, 11.20 am train from Kidderminster
- Tue 1 Nov Social meeting 7.45 pm - Ye Olde Seven Stars, Kidderminster DY10 2BG
- Sat 5 Nov Pub tour of Bewdley, details to be advised

Redditch and Bromsgrove branch (contact Paul on: 07974 889553)

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when an employee selected the wrong operating mode on a vat full of beer. Apparently there were no training materials or written procedures provided to staff on how to operate the system properly.

NO POLLUTION

Speaking after the case, an Environment Agency spokesman said that small breaches in procedure can lead to big environmental impacts, but Heineken were lucky on this occasion that there was no pollution.

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