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Dates & Times:

Friday 21st July 12.00pm-11.00pm
Saturday 22nd July 11.00am-11.00pm
Sunday 23rd July 12.00pm-6.00pm

Entrance fee £5 [includes souvenir programme & glass].

Facilities/venue details:

Turnstile foyer area for Bar, Mariners Trust Bar [inside seating]

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SATURDAY 22ND JULY

SAM SIMMONS 1pm-4pm

EMMA DOUGLAS 6pm-9pm

SUNDAY 23RD JULY

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Editorial



Welcome to the latest edition of In The Drink and what a year it has been so far, we have had some fantastic trips to festivals by public transport and organised coach trips with plenty more to come, keep an eye on our social section for future trips. Also exciting times ahead with our first beer festival organised by our new Chair and beer festival committee at Grimsby Town football ground, I would like to thank everyone involved for getting this off the ground.....Its been hard work but it's all paid off so please come along and support us and have a few beers or lend a hand if you can spare a few hours, Thanks for now, Bri.

Brian Calladine
Editor

Chair Report



I'm absolutely delighted that after much hard work our Festival budget plan has been given the go-ahead from CAMRA HQ.

It's 5 years since we had our last festival and for this year we have moved to a new venue, namely Blundell Park home of

Grimsby Town F.C.

We will have 24 real ales and 8 ciders on sale, the Mariners Trust [our chosen Charity for the event] have kindly donated their facilities, we will have use of the Mariners Trust Bar, the Fan zone and the Findus stand for outside seating.

Wine and spirits, food and entertainment will be supplied by the Mariners Trust.

The dates are: Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd July.

We have sponsorship packages available and are also looking for volunteers for pre set up, during the festival and post festival. For further details please contact chair@grimsby.camra.org.uk If this festival is successful, we will then look to hold it on an annual basis, to this aim we cannot achieve this without support from both our members in terms of assistance and the general public to attend in what is an ideal venue, in terms of facilities, location and hopefully good weather to accompany it.

We look forward to your support.

Cheers,

Kevin

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Our Pubs of the Year

**PUB OF THE YEAR AND TOWN
PUB OF THE YEAR 2023**
Yarborough Hotel, Grimsby



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Our Results

**Town
Pub of the Year**

- 1st: Yarborough
- 2nd: Rutland
- 3rd: Docks

**Country
Pub of the Year**

- 1st: Station
- 2nd: Clickem
- 3rd: Crown & Anchor

**Spring
Pub of the Season**
Spiders Webb



Clickem Inn

Diary Dates

BRANCH LOCAL OUTINGS:

September

Loughborough beer festival at great Central Railway.
More to follow, keep an eye on social media

BRANCH MONTHLY MEETINGS:

July 10th: Yarborough Hotel 8pm

August 7th: Number 1 Cleethorpes 7pm

September 4th: Wheatsheaf Grimsby 8pm

October 2nd: Farmhouse, New Waltham 8pm

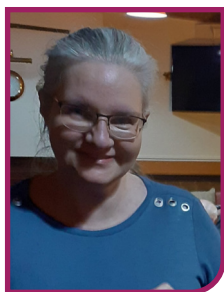


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Ladies Afternoon



The date was set April 29th and the time 1pm. King's Royal, Cleethorpes was the starting point for what was to my knowledge the first event for our branch of its type.

The concept was first floated at a branch meeting earlier in the year by a female member - to have a gathering solely for female members. I was tasked with putting this together and looked to Discourse for ideas, I found an entry from 2016. It made some really good suggestions on what to think about, such as location within the venue, E.G Don't hold it at the back, so the women have to walk past loads of tables to get there.

With this in mind, I chose the King's Royal as a meeting point as it is a quiet pub, it's on a bus route, but mainly because it has a beautiful cosy window seat area with a table and views overlooking the beach.

An initial email was sent out to all members that had indicated to CAMRA that they were female and that they wanted to receive communications. In our branch that was 27. The Chair also set up a specific email address just for this group. The email address was given out, and anyone that hadn't received the email but wanted to be on the mailing list could request details that way. Although in order to receive future events emails, they would need to amend their preferences on their own CAMRA account. Members were also encouraged to bring a female friend, who didn't need to be a member. Some members kindly replied to say that they thought it was a good idea, and expressed an interest in hearing about other events.

On the day, it was a small group that ventured out. There were 3 beers on at our venue, Green King IPA, Yardbird Pale Ale and Rev James. The Rev James is my go to beer, whenever I see it on, it has a real warming flavour.

We moved onto the Kingsway, which is a sports bar and in the downstairs section of the Kingsway Club. The pub is open to anyone, it had 2 handpulls, Tetley Cask and Black Sheep. There was a lovely relaxed atmosphere in there and we got a seat by the door, in front of the tv screen. The Tetley was beautiful.

Next stop was Willy's Wine Bar, just a short stroll away. They had 3 beers on, Willy's Original, Ossett Silver King and Fixed Wheel Gradient Inflation which was refreshingly citrusy. They also do food which was very welcome after a few beers. The Croque Madame was delicious!

After Willy's, we stopped off at The Smugglers. Wychwood Gold was the beer of choice. The Smugglers was bustling, with folk in every corner, which was lovely to see, especially as it's quite a large pub.

Next stop on our route was The Notts, again that was busy, but we managed to find a space in the snug at the back. There was lots of beers on offer here. We plumped for the Plum Porter which was spot on!

There was a slight detour into Fourty One, which does not serve Real Ale, but some rather refreshing gin based cocktails. I felt as though we had stepped into a nightclub, but it was daytime, it was very surreal.

Back out into the light of day, and we made our way to our final destination, MIAB. They'd had 2 beery offerings earlier in the day, but 1 left when we arrived. Tiny Rebels Under the Sun, which was a pale ale. Very cloudy, but tasted better than it looked. We sat outside in 'The Cage'. After drinks had been drunk, our merry little tribe parted ways.

Details of future gatherings will be published in the coming months and invitations sent out accordingly. Please make sure that your CAMRA preferences are up to date, if you wish to be included in the next potential adventure. As with all CAMRA outings non members are most welcome.

Katie Marks

Local Real Ale Pub Crawl

Cask Beer is doing fine at the moment in the majority of pubs in Grimsby and North East Lincolnshire region. However there are inevitably some outlets that no longer sell Real Ale, for whatever reason! Here is a current list of known stockists, which we will update occasionally.

Let's start with the bad news. Freeman Street....

Sadly not a single pub has any real beer on sale. Wellington Arms, who's claim to fame is that Grimsby Town F.C. was formed in 1878, following a meeting held on the premises, currently closed and has been since 2019. Wine pipe, Angel, Corporation Arms, Cottees, Freemans Arms, Smokers Arms & White Bear, all of these pubs sold Real Ale a couple of decades ago, The former Darley's owned White Bear is currently closed and in a derelict state. Moving on to Immingham Town.

Sadly this is now a cask beer desert too... And now for the good news. The following have at least one Real Ale available and probably more. (not in any order of preference).

CLEETHORPES

The Number 2, Nottingham, Tale of Two, Kings Royal, Signal Box, Wellow, Trawlerman, Swashbuckle, Number One, Willy's, Kingsway Club, Brewers Fayre, Punchbowl, Studio, Countryman, Market Tavern, Grosvenor, Message in a bottle, Crows Nest, Pear Tree, Collesium Picture House, Cleethorpes Cricket Club and Smugglers.

GRIMSBY

Rutland Arms, Barge, Rose & Crown, Seven Seas, Docks Beers, Parity, Hope & Anchor, Tivoli Tavern, Wheatsheaf, Yarborough Hotel, Beachwood Farm, Spider's Web, Millfields and the Trawl.

THE OUTER LIMITS

Barnolby The Ship Inn; **Binbrook** The Plough; **Caistor** White Hart; **East Holton** Black Bull; **Habrough** Station Inn; **Healing** Pig & Whistle (Healing Manor); **Keelby** Kings Head, Nags Head; **Kirmington** Marrowbone & Cleaver; **Ludborough** Livesey Arms; **Marshchapel** White Horse; **Nettleton** Salutation; **New Waltham** The Farmhouse; **Rothwell** Blacksmiths Arms; **Stallingborough** Grange, Green Man; **Swallow** Swallow Inn; **Swinhope** Click'em Inn; **Tetney** The Plough; **Tetney Lock** Crown & Anchor; **Ulceby** Fox Inn, Yarborough Arms; **Waltham** Kings Head, Tilted Barrel

This list was correct at time of compilation.

There are some pubs not listed here at the moment, as they need to be surveyed and updated, the results will be published in a later edition of "In The Drink"

Graham Larn

Local News

Hound-Up



[sniffing out the stories]

As this edition of "In The Drink" is something of a festival special, this column is slightly reduced on this occasion, and featuring news 'in brief'.

GRIMSBY

We begin with the news that the local Microbrewery "**Crafty1**", situated on Grimsby's Pywipe Estate, sadly closed down in April 2023, also reportedly closed is the "**Bartender**" in the Old Market Place, however the same management appear to have reopened **Annie's Bar** on West Saint Mary's Gate, now under the heading, "**The Old Star**". Back on the Old Market Place, "**Walters**" has no real ale available, (I must look through the window sometime), "**Wellington Arms**", reopened earlier this year, closed again in May. "**Central Hall**" Duncombe Street Grimsby, now has a four-ale bar, with a selection of locally brewed beers on sale, however real ale is not amongst them. Cask ale and 3 handpulls removed from "**The Jubilee**"



CLEETHORPES

Over in Cleggies, "**The Foundry**" (aka Victoria) is closed and up for sale. And finally, the long standing Landlord of "**The Signal Box Inn**", Alan Cowood has pulled his last pint and announced his retirement, we all wish Alan good luck for the future, "au reservoir" AL.

Graham Larn

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Bill Tidy MBE

Cartoonist and Illustrator Bill Tidy sadly passed away on the 11th March 2023 aged 89. Bill's was a familiar face on T.V. during the last fifty odd years, appearing in such gems as 'Its a Knockout', 'Blankety Blank', 'Countdown', 'Quick on the Draw' for Thames Television, and not forgetting the classic Radio 4 "antidote to panel games" 'I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue'. Bill was a contributor to 'Private Eye' magazine, and created the long running cartoon strip 'Keg Buster' for CAMRA's newspaper 'What's Brewing'. In which the character Keg Buster would bemoan the going-ons in the brewing industry at the time.



An example of Bill Tidy's artwork

I was fortunate to have met Bill at the CAMRA conference in Derby in the year 2000, I found him a very friendly chap. We had a chat about Grimsby Town F.C. and he then signed his book of cartoons that I had purchased from the CAMRA products stall... Bill later provided an illustration for the local history book, "Beer, Hope & Charity" Hewitt's Brewery Remembered. He had also, on a previous

occasion, produced a cartoon featuring Willy's Pub and Brewery, Cleethorpes for a charity event. Willy's owner, Bill Parkinson, put in a successful bid for the rarely seen drawing, and it is still in his possession.

May Bill Tidy rest in peace, I'm sure his work will live on.

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Bill Tidy MBE (1933 - 2023)

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Anna



visit to Penderyn Distillery

Anna was born at Brandy Wharf, so her career was mapped from birth! Having gone to Manchester from school to learn how to work on computers, she worked at Butlins as a bar maid but within a week for she then moved on to ordering beer and deal with the trade. 1760 Gallons of John Smiths at a time!

She then took to Bar management at the Wig & Mitre and the Cornhill vaults [a Sam Smiths pub] where she was joint licensee.

In March of 84 she ran the Cornhill on her own, she became Sam Smith's first female licensee and was congratulated by the then owner Humphrey Smith.

The pub unfortunately was leased from the Co-op who would not extend the lease and at the time she was asked to run Nellie's in Beverley, around 2008-9 she was asked to run the Strugglers at



Star Bars award

Lincoln, but was on a 3 month notice period which meant her first day was on the 2nd December, one day before the Lincoln Christmas Market started!

Most of our members will remember Anna from the strugglers who spent 15 years there before retiring and moving to Cleethorpes, with the aim of [in her own

words] it is time for myself, to do what I want to do!

Her proudest moment came in 2018 when @ the Strugglers she was awarded with the best cask pub nationwide from Star bars.

Facts:

20 years plus, CAMRA Member

Fav drink: mostly pale ales [has to be 5% abv or more]

Jaipur, Ossett Excelsior, Fat cat marmalade, Bear town Crem Bearly, to name a few.

Best parts: drinking real ale and meeting people

Worst parts: deal with drunks from the Christmas market from 3pm til closure!

And her surname you ask?

Whilst at the Wig and mitre and Cornhill vaults, she was involved in the shop next door [off licence] and catering too. Everything was official in those days, and no one used her first name, so she decided to change her name to just Anna and that is what she is called today.

She fondly recalls a time when you had to apply formally for an extension to the licensing hours, they called you in by your title and then surname, obviously when "Anna" was called in, the other licensees would chunter well she has got it already, she's on first name terms!

So, what does the lady who's given so much time to pub industry do nowadays? she visits people's houses to look after their pets whilst they go on vacation, something that she enjoys immensely and she has travelled to some wonderful places.

Have a happy retirement Anna, you've certainly earned it.

Kevin Donovan

Poets Cornered

"Ode to a Festival"

By Stew Tobrish Esquire



*It's that wonderful time of year
Looking forward to a festival of beer.*

*This time It's at Blundell Park normally a place for
some soccer lark.*

*Try a taste of IPA, Golden or Porter
a proper drink for any Grimsby Town supporter.*

At the end of the day the barrel's run dry.

there's no more real ale for you to try,

*but leave some for me, I'm thirsty you see
as I've had more than enough mugs of tea.*

So here's to the ale festival this time next year,

*with sunshine, a pie, a tasty beer,
to give you happiness and plenty of cheer!*

Consortium Beer Festival

On Saturday 8th April we had a bus ride to the Consortium beer festival in Louth.

Lots of different ales offering a very good choice for all.

We also visited a few other pubs including Louths newest brewery tap, luda.

Another successful day out.



Classic Beer Mats



Courtesy of
Graham Larn &
Graham Albeck
Esquire

Barrow Hill Coach Trip

MAY 20TH 2023

We hired a coach from PC Coaches for a trip to Chesterfield and Barrow Hill beer festival for our members to enjoy either the beer festival or a day out in Chesterfield. A good day was had by all and here are a few pictures from the day.



Young Brewer!

Is this the youngest brewer in Britain? Huw Newman, aged 10, has recently created his own beer, 'Galaxy Druid IPA'. at his Dad's brewery, Lines Brew Co, which is located in Usk, a small community town in Monmouthshire, Wales.

Apparently Huw loves the smell of beer so much that he devised a recipe with the help of his father Tom. The lad mixes his own ingredients and sniffs various hops, then chooses the one based on smell.

The ale is said to be cloudy and citrus tasting, (a current trend), with a strength of 4.3%..... Its a good job they didn't make Hewitt's Ale's based on smells, I remember the combination of whiffs emerging from the Tower Brewery, Ticklers Jam Factory, and not to mention the town gas from the Grimsby Gas Works, all within a close proximity in Grimsby Town centre. Now there's a combination, "Hewitt's Marmalade Gas Ale".... hey I think I'm on to something here, how about it Tom and Huw, worth a go?



Graham Larn

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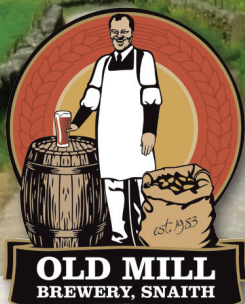
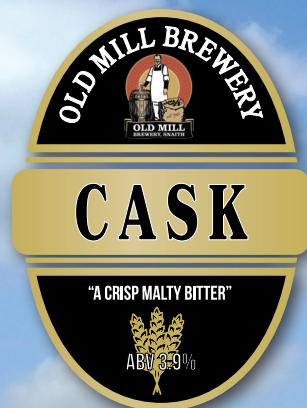
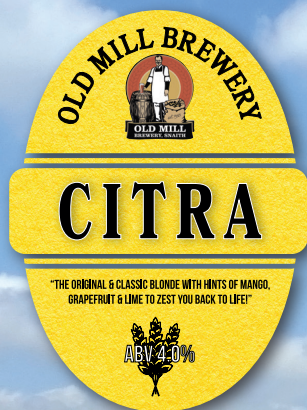
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