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AUTUMN PUB OF THE SEASON 2023 Message In A Bottle



[L] Ryan Jagger, Message in a bottle. [R] Kevin Donovan, Chair

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Yarborough Hotel, CAMRA members with Michael Evans (shift manager) 2nd right



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Editorial



Hi and welcome to the latest addition of ITD, what a few months its been with our trips away and a fantastic beer festival. I would personally like to thank everyone who helped with our festival and Mariners Trust at Grimsby Town FC for letting us use the space for the weekend and a special thanks to our Chair Kevin for sorting just about

all of the festival planning which would never have happened if it wasn't for all his hard work...Thanks again Kev.

What a brilliant time we had at York beer festival and thank you to everyone who turned up and made it a brilliant day out, watch out for more trips and please suggest anywhere you would like to go in future.. we are open to ideas. I would also like to thank everyone who has contributed to this magazine and specially to Graham for his content

and help in producing as I can not do this alone. As always please send me your photos and stories of your days out and we will do our best to get them in the next issue. keep drinking real ale.

Thanks Bri

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Chair Report



These are difficult notes to write for me, for several months now I have let it be known that at times it feels like I am steering the ship predominantly on my own, [In core roles] and particularly with the festival this was I guess the final straw.

When I first volunteered to take over the Chair, I did this in the belief that I was helping to save the Branch, and as I've always said I am [or should be] one member of a team.

Come the AGM in March, it will then have been 2 years that I feel I have given my best in terms of professionalism and dedication, and improved communication, and lots of other things, too many to mention, but I guess at the end of the day that's up to you the members to decide.

Alas I cannot continue to do this unsupported and therefore I have taken the decision to resign from ALL CAMRA Branch and Committee positions I hold.

Last week saw my 66th Birthday, so I'm officially a pensioner! Its no secret, that I sought and have been accepted to the board of the Mariners Trust, which goes hand in hand with my new Vice President's season ticket at the Football club and Im looking forward to working with like minded people.

I guess my father was right in saying I get bored too easily, I'd like to contra this by saying that I give 100% dedication to everything I do and I'm very passionate, but this can be tested and waned if I feel like I am not supported.

In closing I'd like to say I am very proud and grateful to be given the opportunity of heading the

Branch, and would like to wish whoever succeeds me the very best, I'll still be around but not in terms of being on the Committee.

Kevin



Diary Dates

BRANCH LOCAL OUTINGS:

More to follow, keep an eye on social media

BRANCH MONTHLY MEETINGS:

December 4th

CAMRA meeting, Spiders web, Cleethorpes 8pm

December 15th

Christmas meal with quiz and raffle, Yarborough Hotel, Grimsby 7pm (please book)

January Meeting:

Collesium Picture House, Cleethorpes
(date to be confirmed)

Plus new year socials to Barrow Hill Beer festival and others to be confirmed.



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Awards

Celebrating Willy's 38 CAMRA Good Beer Guide entries

A small presentation party presented special awards today, **Willy's** were presented with an award for being in the CAMRA *Good Beer Guide* the most out of any pub in our area and on it's special 50th edition, the pub had been in the guide a staggering 38 times on the trot, this for a pub a little over 40 years old.



(L) Kevin Donovan, Chair. (R) Bill Parkinson, Landlord



(L) Kevin Donovan, Chair. (R) Paul Rowntree, Landlord

The Number 2 refreshment rooms hits the big 20 in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide

The Number 2 refreshment rooms (under the clock) was also presented with an award for being in the guide 20 years on the trot.

Gainsborough Beer Festival



We ran a minibus trip for the Gainsborough Beer and Cider Festival with a great turnout from the membership, here are a few pictures from a very good day out.

Brian



Local Real Ale Pub Crawl

Cask Beer seems to be chugging along as ever. There appears to be no change in Immingham Town Pubs, however a glimmer of hope rests in The Blossom Way Sports & Social Club, (members club), on the appropriately named Blossom Way, where real ale is reportedly on sale. Sadly an ale desert still exists in Freeman Street Grimsby.

The following list was compiled in October 2023, and was correct at the time of survey, they are listed in no preferential order.

CLEETHORPES

The Number 2, Nottingham House, Kings Royal, Signal Box, Wellow, Trawlerman, The Number One, Willy's Pub and Brewery, Kingsway Club, Brewers Fayre, Punchbowl, The Studio, Countryman, Market Tavern, Grosvenor, Message in a Bottle, Crows Nest, Pear Tree, and Collesium Picture House.

GRIMSBY

Rutland Arms, Barge, Rose and Crown, Docks Beers, Parity, Hope and Anchor, Tivoli Tavern, County, 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)

HOLTON LE MOOR

The Hope Tavern

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

CASK AND BOXED CIDERS

Number 1, Number 2, Willys, Clickhem Inn, Rutland Arms, Yarborough Hotel and Signal Box.

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"

Local News

Hound-Up



[sniffing out the stories]

GRIMSBY

"**Bartender LGBTQ+**". Has now closed after less than a year, and has since reopened as "**Chamber's**" in a return to its former name.

The following venues have been reported as no longer selling Real Ale. >> **Seven Seas, Jubilee, Bradley, Walter's, Haven Inn.**

Application lodged by **Othello Restaurant** to convert part of the premises (ground floor) to Public House.

The **Mariners pub** on Albert Street, has been sold on and is to be converted for community usage.

The **Wellington Arms**. Has reopened for the second time in 2023, this time with a refurbishment, however there's no real ale on sale.

Nunthorpe Tavern, Sutcliffe Avenue. Sadly closed and plated up in October 2023, real ale was removed some time ago, and the search was on for most of this year to find new tenants. Unfortunately there is now no pub to serve two large housing estates, the nearby **Oak Tree** on Norwich Avenue, closed in 2013.

The Barge Inn. Beer range change. Regular ale. >> Navigation Brewery, New Dawn Pale. Plus rotating guest.

CLEETHORPES

The **Foundry**, formerly, O' Neils, originally, The Victoria Hotel, is set to reopen as **The Old Vic**, in a nod to its former glory days. At the time of surveying no hand pumped real ale was available.

So not quite a return to its glorious past of Hewitt's Mild and Bitter to quench the holiday makers thirsts.

The **Number 2**. Now has three rotating guest ales, up from two.

Swashbuckle, no Real Ale. Likewise **The Fisherman's Arms** and the rest of the bars in Seaview Street, apart from the "**Nottingham House**" which is increasing its rotating guest beers to three.

STALLINGBOROUGH



The **Green Man Pub**, currently has a loyalty card scheme running, rather like the tea/coffee deal at Grimsby Minster. At the time of press it was on a receive 6 stamps for each pint of cask ale purchased, then get the seventh pint free.

Graham Larn

Poets Cornered

"Can We Go Back To when..."



By Graham Albeck Esquire

*In some places you could buy a pint of 'Double D'
And in 'The Angel', 'Under the Clock' and
'County' a fine pint of Younger's Number 3.*

*A lively night of music that very seldom fails.
Was a place in Town where you could drink
'Darley's Ale's'.*

*Pubs were full of smokers that made it
cloudy and stuffy
Especially if you spent the evening in the
'Palace Buffet'.*

*They're would be singer's and groups in
pub's all around Town.
Act's like, 'Pat Volley', 'The Illusions',
'Bing Beales' and 'Sandra Browne'*

*'The Lumper's Club' on Thursday's would
host exotic strippers.
And at weekends Cleethorpes Pub's were
always full of day tripper's.*

*Spend an hour or two in 'The Hayloft Bar'
at The Wheatsheaf.
Where the 'Hewitt's Ale' & 'Rock & Roll Jukebox'
were beyond belief!*

(Thank you Graham. More next time.)

Jester's Go Wild!



The good folk at ITD have been asked if we could include some pub/beer jokes in future editions. Yes we can, and here's a few for starters, in true 'Tony Blackburn' style.

A weasle walks into a pub. "What can I get you to drink" asks the Barman, "POP" goes the weasle.

An old geezer was attempting to catch fish in a rain puddle outside a pub, a gentleman took

pity on him and invited him in the pub for a well deserved pint of ale.

As they sat supping their beers, the gent decided to humour the old guy by asking him, "how many have you caught today then?" You're the sixth replied the old scrote.

.....
A man walks into a pub carrying some jump leads, the Barmaid says, "you can have a pint of beer, but please don't start anything".

.....
A tennis player goes into a bar and starts serving juice. (deuce) a bit deep that one eh!

More jests next time.

Graham P. Larn

York Beer Festival Coach Trip



Friday 15th September we hired a coach from PC coaches to take us to York for the Beer and Cider festival located at the new venue of St Lawrence Parish Church.

After a nice breakfast we boarded the coach at Cleethorpes and Grimsby arriving right outside the venue just before 12pm.

We paid our entry fee, collected glasses and a programme and headed inside the lovely venue and after selecting our first ales we found a church pew and had a fantastic afternoon sampling many of the over 200 ales and ciders on offer.

After a good few hours, we then headed to the Waggon and Horses and Rook and Gaskill for a few more beers before a steady walk back to the coach for the ride back home.

A very enjoyable day was had by all and we are looking forward to the next coach trip, please keep an eye out for our trips. Here are some pictures from the day out.

Thanks

Brian



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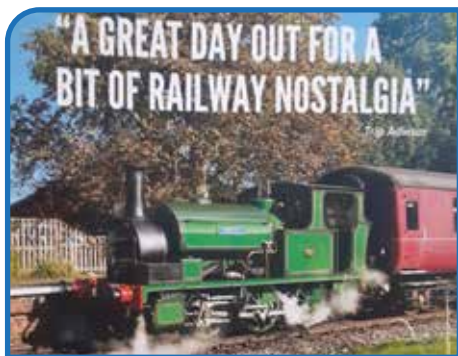
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CAMRA "Charidee" Donation

Each year at the Grimsby Branch AGM a charity fundraising name card is circulated amongst the membership. In 2023 the money raised, £30.00. was donated to The Lincolnshire Wolds Railway at Ludborough, (a registered charity).

Further fundraising events take place throughout the year, and will be duly noted in this column.

Graham P. Larn



Praise To The Ale!

A Beer Prayer

*Our Beer which art in barrel's, hallowed be
thy drink,*

*thy will be drunk and I will be happy at
home as in the tavern,*

give us this day our foamy head,

*and forgive us our spillage, as we forgive
those that spillage against us, lead us
not into difficulties, but deliver us from
hangovers.*

*For thine is the ale, the bitter and the
stout, forever and ever.*

BARMEN (and women). Anon



Dog Martin

(Health Watch Doc)



In a previous edition of "In The Drink" we reported how scientists claimed that moderate beer consumption was good for the heart.

Now a research team at the Dalian Medical University in China, have discovered that beer, particularly 'Real Ale', can be a boost to the human bodies immune system and gut health, because it contains good bacteria.

Beer is high in antioxidant boosting compounds called Polyphenols. Apparently when beer is drunk in low quantities, the interaction between fibre, polyphenols and alcohol, can improve a person's digestive system. A similar effect can be achieved by consuming prebiotics, like yoghurt drinks which contains yeast and live bacteria.



The researchers said that, "Beer is rich in amino acids, trace elements, vitamins and bioactive substances involved in the regulation of many human functions" Fresh and unpasteurised 'Real Ale's' contains high levels of good bacteria and when drank in moderation it can also boost the immune system.

However drinking alcohol to excess can produce the opposite effect.

It brings a whole new meaning to the term 'beer gut' doesn't it!

So for the sake of your health please drink in moderation.



Graham P. Larn

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