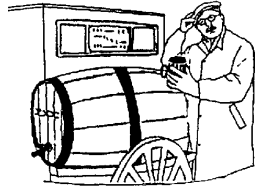




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New Pub Opens

We are normally reporting more and more pub closures so we are delighted to be able to announce that a new pub has opened and at least one developer is providing facilities for the people moving into their new homes.

The Orchard on the Archers Gate development in Amesbury has been built by Marstons. It has modern facilities for eating and for families but the space is nicely broken up providing private corners and larger spaces if you go there as a group. When I visited there were others just

there for a drink and a chat and a choice of four real ales available and Ham Egg & Chips was on the menu... The **Burton Bitter** and **Marstons Pedigree** were both good and I have heard reports of excellent Jennings Snecklifter. If you live in the area you now have a Local Pub with good real ale whether you are going out to eat or just want to pop out for a pint.

Out and About

Our usual social campaigning trips have been Saturday evening minibuses and Wednesday evening crawls of Salisbury or other places with evening public transport. With these we keep in touch with the pubs visiting them all at least every 2 years. Recently we have been out at other times so different groups of people may be able to join us.

We had a Saturday afternoon minibus to Stonehenge Brewery followed by the **Dog & Gun at Netheravon, the Swan at Enford and the Red Lion at East Chisenbury**. It was a change to see the pubs during the day and spend some time in their gardens - have you met the pigs at the Red Lion? After a few samples and a good chat with Stig at Stonehenge we had an excellent lunch at the **Dog & Gun** - good quality pub grub such as sausage and mash and lasagne. Ideal to wash down with some well kept **Wadworths** beers including the seasonal special **Malt & Hops**. It was nice to see some **Ramsbury** beer, **Flintknapper**, at the **Swan** at Enford along with some really tasty **Stonehenge Heel Stone**. Finally at the **Red Lion** we tried the **Butts Jester** and Cottage **Whippet Strikes Back** both very tasty and something a bit different to the regular brews seen in Salisbury. The minibus was full so we'll do more of

these lunchtime trips - especially in the Summer.

We also tried using the service bus to get out on a Saturday. That means we can run a trip more than once depending on when people are free. We went to **Shrewton** on two Saturdays in November with 1 and 6 people on each trip. On the second visit the **Royal Oak** had **Plain Ales Innocence and Box Steam Tunnel Vision** on offer which went well with the soup and baguette while the George had **Stonehenge Great Bustard and Pigswill** we had a bus to catch so didn't try the Rev James. Once again all the beers were very good so it makes our Good Beer Guide decisions very difficult.



Meet the Cider Maker at the Duke of York

Just to ring the changes again we were celebrating cider in October and arranged a social to meet Nigel the cider maker from Wessex Cider at the Duke of York. Several new faces came along to find out more about cider so another successful event - and some very good cider.

Why not join us for a social sometime - Jill is our Social Secretary and her details are on the back page and on our web site.

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Monday - Friday
6pm - midnight

Saturday
2pm – midnight

Sunday
2pm - 11pm

- ◆ 5 Real ales and 2 Trad Ciders
- ◆ Belgian & German Bottled Beers
- ◆ Quiz night Tuesdays



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**

Wot More Pub Festivals.....

The last edition reviewed the pubs which had held beer festivals over the August Bank holiday weekend and into September, now we are moving into the Winter festival season. **The Pheasant** in Salt Lane had a small festival in November and to my delight it featured **Box Steam Funnel Blower** - a delicious Vanilla Porter, one of my all time favourite beers and in superb condition. The Winchester Gate has a festival on 8th - 11th December which is always worth a look.



Sixpenny Brewery

Winner of
Beer of the Festival at
Salisbury Beerex 2011
with their IPA.

Government reforms are too weak to save Britain's Pubs

The Government responded to the Business select committee's report on pub companies, announcing a deal between the Government and the British Beer and Pub Association (BBPA) involving a package of reforms. While this package promises some small steps forward including a new arbitration service, a requirement to follow rental guidelines and to publish national wholesale price lists, the package will do little to stop pub closures.

CAMRA, MPs and Licensees had called for far greater reforms to help reduce pub closures.

See more on www.camra.org.uk

Branch Events

December

Wed 7th Barrel Organ
Branch Meeting 8pm Village
Fri 16th GBG Crawl (6.30 Duck) 7.30 Wyndham, 8 Winchester Gate,
8.30 Anchor & Hope, 9 Rai D'Or, 9.30 Kings Head, 10 Deacons, 10.30
Village

January

Wed 4th Branch Meeting 8pm Royal George
Wed 18th City Crawl Harnham
Fri 27th & Sat 28th Winterfest

February

Wed 1st Barrel Organ
Branch Meeting 8pm Ox Row Inn

Socials contact Jill 01722 330445

More details about events on www.salisburycamra.org.uk

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

THE WINCHESTER GATE WINTER BEER FESTIVAL 8-11 DECEMBER 2011

Don't miss our mini beer festival where there will be a small selection of winter and Christmas ales.

Proceedings will commence in the afternoon of Thursday, 8 December and continue till all the beer has gone.

There will also be cider plus food plus live music throughout the weekend

113-117 Rampart Road, Salisbury
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www.winchestergate.co.uk



Winterfest XV



Fri 27th & Sat 28th Jan
2012

Fri 6.30—11.00

Sat 11.00—3.30

Sat 6.30—11.00

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Salisbury

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