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Taiphoon takes Summerfest by Storm



Hop Back Taiphoon was voted Beer of the Festival by drinkers at the Salisbury Summerfest in July this year. Brewed with Lemon Grass as an additional ingredient this 4.2% ABV light coloured beer proved very refreshing in the hot weather of the festival weekend.

Normally only available in bottles, we persuaded Hop Back to put some into cask for us and it went down a treat. Congratulations on a well deserved win and maybe you could cask some more sometime.

Runner up in the Beer of the Festival competition was another refreshing, light coloured beer. As its name suggests, Hophead from Dark Star Brewery in Sussex is full of hop flavours and has a refreshing bitterness. At 3.8% ABV it made easy drinking in the hot weather.

Dark Star Brewery started as a Brew Pub in the Evening Star in Brighton and moved to Burgess Hill to allow for expansion.

The branch hope to present the winners with their certificates in the autumn.

Taiphoon is a rare beer in cask, another really rare beer we managed to get was Oakham 12 Monkeys from Peterborough. This was a one off brew which was featured in the CAMRA newspaper "What's Brewing". When the branch visited Oakham to present their certificate from last years Summerfest they managed to persuade the brewery to release one of the "casks we set aside for beer festivals" to us.

"We were so pleased we got that, it's a real coup for a small festival like ours" announced the beer selection committee.

Everyone who attended Summerfest said the beer was in good condition and there were favourable comments about the music free Friday night session. All of the 18 beers got some votes in the Beer of the Festival competition which has to be a good indicator of beer quality.

Our next festival is Winterfest IX on 3rd & 4th February 2006 we intend to repeat the quiet Friday evening and in line with CAMRA's new rules it will be entirely non-smoking.

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Pub regularly selling short measures? - Contact Wiltshire Trading Standards (01722) 328367

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



The Old Mill
Netheravon
01980 670631

Regular Beers

Spire Ale 3.8% ABV

Pigswill 4.0% ABV

Heel Stone 4.3% ABV

Great Bustard 4.8% ABV

Danish Dynamite 5.0% ABV

Seasonal Beers

Sign of Spring 4.6% ABV
(March - May)

Second to None 4.6% ABV
(June - August)

Old Smokey 5.0% ABV
(Sept. - Nov.)

Rudolph 5.0% ABV
(December - January)

Pub & Brewery News

The Bull, Fisherton St is now a bookmakers. **The Ale & Cider Press, Fisherton St** has had a refit and a new name—It is now **Bar 44** and we don't know if it still has Real Ale. **The Three Horseshoes, Bishopstone** has been granted change of use after an appeal. There has been a lot of coverage of this in the local press and CAMRA are disappointed that it was granted especially **without a public appeals hearing** and when we believe there was at least one potential purchaser who wanted to run it as a pub.

Stig Andersen at Stonehenge Ales is hopping mad having broken his ankle while out running but delighted as bottled **Great Bustard Ale** was awarded a **Gold Medal** in the taste of the West Competition.

If you have any news of pubs under threat or re-opening please let us know.

Around the Gardens

The Branch City Crawl on 15th June was a celebration of the excellent pub gardens around the city. And the excellent Real Ale you can drink in them!

So many of the City Pubs look as if they are just bars but behind a lot of them are large gardens with views across the city, views of the Cathedral or just a new look at the pub architecture.

We visited the New Inn, The Royal George and the Winchester Gate and despite the slightly cool evening some of us sat out and enjoyed the air.

We enjoyed the Beer as well - Fursty Ferret in the New Inn, GFB in the Royal George and Taylors Landlord in the Winchester Gate.

Down the Valley

We had a minibus full for the trip along the Chalke Valley to the White Hart- Bishopstone, Queens Arms - Broadchalke, Talbot - Berwick St John, Crown - Alverdiston and Horseshoe - Ebbesbourne Wake.

**Join in the Fun at the First Real Ale
& Festival Weekend in Amesbury**



**Bank Holiday Weekend
26th - 29th August**

**Many Real Ales
Available all Weekend!!!**

GREAT ENTERTAINMENT

including: Bands, Duo's, Family BBQ, etc.

FARMERS' MARKET on Saturday 27th,
9am - 2pm in The George Hotel Car Park

FRENCH BOULES COMPETITION
on Saturday 27th in aid of Church Funds,
£5 to Enter Your Team of 2 Players

Tel: 01980 623145 by 15/08/2005

Optional Ploughman's Lunch £2.50 each

General Enquires Tel: 01980 624900

Festival Bonanza

Every year several local pubs and clubs organise beer festivals. Some have a few additional beers above their normal range, others really push the glass out and have lots more beers and other events such as music.

Here are the festivals we know of, if you know of others or are organising one yourself let us know and we'll mention it here.

August 2005

Bank Holiday Weekend 26th - 29th
The George Shrewton (01980 620431) all day, about 24 beers (12 at a time) music each evening and Sat, Sun, Mon lunch

The Wyndham Arms Dinton (01722 716999) 27th - 29th all day, 20 beers, music, Hog Roast, Bouncy Castle, Pig Racing.

Amesbury Real Ale Festival (01980 624900) around the pubs in Amesbury,

Salisbury Food & Drink Festival beer tent in Market Square on Sun & Mon 12-8.

September 2005

Mill Arms, Dunbridge (01794 340401) over 50 beers 16th 6 pm onwards, 17th & 18th noon onwards.

Langford Beer Festival (01722 790131) 16th & 17th.

Village Freehouse, Salisbury (01722 329707) 22nd - 24th 11 am to 10 pm Summerlite Festival 20 beers on or below 3.9%

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Branch Events

August 2005

Wed 3rd Branch Meeting 20.00 Winchester Gate
Wed 17th City Crawl 20.00 Dust Hole 20.30 Winchester Gate, 21.30 Duck
Sat 20th Basingstoke with North Hants Branch
18.10 Salisbury Rail Station, 19.00 Queens Arms

Bank Holiday Weekend Beer tent at Salisbury Food & Drink Festival, Pub Festivals at Wyndham Arms Dinton, George Shrewton, Amesbury Pubs.

September 2005

Wed 7th Branch Meeting 20.00 Royal George
Fri 16th Mill Arms Dunbridge 18.50 Station
16th - 17th Festivals at Langford Cricket Club and Mill Arms Dunbridge
Wed 21st Wilton Crawl 20.00 Wheatsheaf, 21.00 Bell, 22.00 Bear
22nd-24th Village Freehouse Festival

October 2005

Wed 5th Branch Meeting 20.00 Village Freehouse

Coach trips - Chris White 07989185049

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

JOIN CAMRA TODAY

Fill in the form and send it with a cheque (payable to CAMRA Ltd.) to:
Membership Secretary, CAMRA, 230 Hatfield Rd, St Albans HERTS AL1 4LW.

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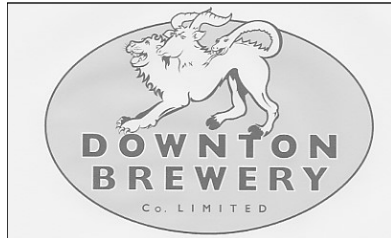
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I/We wish to join the Campaign for Real Ale.

Signature.....

Date.....

Salisbury and South Wilts Branch BO Aug 2005



QuadHop ABV 3.9%

A very hoppy crisply refreshing lower gravity bitter.

Chimera Red ABV 4.6%

Copper-coloured beer with a delicious malty bitterness.

Chimera IPA ABV 6.8%

Award-winning real IPA with the alcohol and hops to survive at trip to India (we believe).

Now available in bottles.

Also a range of monthly specials contact Martin 01722 322890