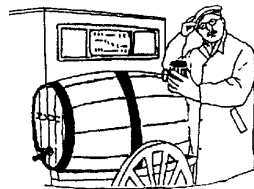


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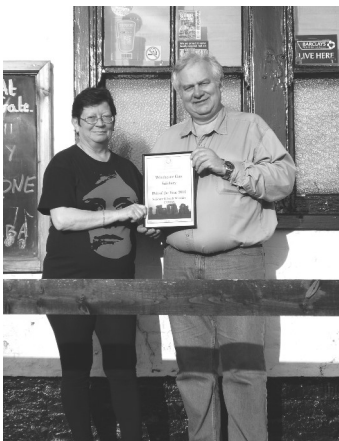
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Pub of the Year 2010—The Winchester Gate Salisbury



On May 28th Salisbury CAMRA presented Bill and Anne Duncan, licensees of the Winchester Gate in Rampart Rd Salisbury with their certificate for branch Pub of the Year. The certificate has been with the pub for a while but their May beer festival seemed the best time to formally present it.

Since they took over in December 2008, the pub has been amongst the best in the area for a good choice of unusual, often local, real ales and always in good condition. They won a place in CAMRA's Good Beer Guide, where all entries are decided by the local branch. Then there are the beer festivals, involvement in local events such as the Petanque league and Salisbury Live and of course the friendly welcome and atmosphere. A pub you go to for a beer and a chat or the latest

local band. This makes it not just a great place for real ale but for all the other things which make a pub what it should be. If you haven't been there yet it is well worth the visit.

The branch Pub of the Year is entered into the national competition, the first stage of which is being judged now. We wish the Winchester Gate every success in the competition and we look forward to many more excellent ales at this excellent pub.

What about the Clubs?

This year for the first time the branch have awarded a Club of the Year, we realised there were a lot of clubs with real ale and asked members to nominate ones for judging. The winner is Salisbury Railway Club in Fisherton St, near the postal sorting office and the certificate will be presented on June 2nd. We wish them well in the national competition.

But I can't get into a members club without joining it The Railway Club have ruled that CAMRA members can have free entry to the club if they show their membership card - so that's another reason to join CAMRA.

Salisbury Ruby club are open to all with no membership required. They were also nominated for the competition with their annual beer festival an added attraction. Maybe now is the time to discover real ale in clubs.

Saving Pubs

CAMRA launched the Beer Drinkers and Pub Goers Charter calling on the government to change planning laws to protect pubs, to support community pubs and to make it law that if a pub is being sold the community or lessee have a right to buy it. Members and branches urged prospective parliamentary candidates to sign up to the charter. an amazing 650 did and 150 of them are now MPs. CAMRA is now urging the government and those MPs to follow through on their support with new rules to support the traditional British pub. To find out if your MP signed up go to www.camra.org.uk and follow the link.

Pub Saved for the Community by the Community

The **Barge Inn in Honeystreet near Pewsey** has been awarded a grant for £270,000 to save it as a community pub. This is part of the **Village SOS project** run by the BBC and the BIG Lottery Fund. Six village projects have been funded and programmes will be made of their progress. It's great that one of the projects involves a pub, look out for it on TV and visit it as well as your own village pubs. For more information go to <http://www.bbc.co.uk/villagesos/>

LocAle locale@salisburycamra.org.uk

The Crown at Alvediston, has been added to the list of branch accredited LocAle pubs - always selling quality beer brewed within 30 miles of the pub.

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
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Pub of the Year 2009**



The Rai D'Or Salisbury CAMRA Pub of the Year 2008

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Still Crawling

April saw a full minibus making the most of the Salisbury end of the Wylde Valley visiting the **Bell at South Newton** for Courage Best & Directors, the **Boot at Berwick St James** for Wadworth 6X and Strong in the Arm, the **Swan at Stoford** had excellent Triple fff Altons Pride, Hop Back Odyssey and Taylors Landlord and **Royal Oak at Great Wishford** was offering Harveys Sussex Best, Hop Back GFB, Wells Bombadier and Young's Special. A great evening out with a good choice of well kept ales!

The May city crawl visited some edge of city pubs with the **Devizes Inn** for Hop Back GFB, the **Royal Oak** for Sharps Doom Bar and the **Butt of Ale** for Deuchars IPA, Courage Best and Greene King Old Speckled Hen. The Royal Oak and Butt of Ale had both been shut for some time and its good to see them up and running again. Visit your pub now so its there for the future.

And Festivals

The **Crown at Alvediston** was rocking on Friday 21st of May at the start of their weekend beer festival. 11 beers, 3 ciders and a perry provided great choice with many from local breweries including the newly opened **Sixpenny Brewery** in Sixpenny Handley. Another pub which has re-opened with style and is once again a great place for a pint. More festivals are planned and they are already LocAle accredited.

Join CAMRA www.camra.org.uk

Branch Events

June

Wed 2nd Branch Meeting & Club of Year Presentation 8pm Railway Club
Wed 23rd Walk to Victoria & Albert Netherhampton meet Halfway House 7.30
Sat 26th Minibus to Tilshead, Shrewton, Chitterne names to Chris

July

Wed 7th Branch AGM 8pm Winchester Gate
Wed 21st City Crawl Amesbury
Sat 31st Minibus to Woodford Valley, Winterbourne Stoke names to Chris



Aug

Wed 4th Branch Meeting 8pm Venue TBC

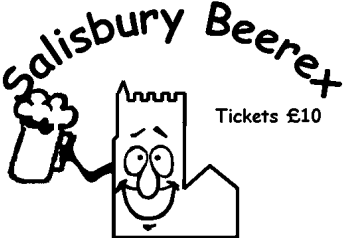
11 - 12 June Victoria & Albert Netherhampton Beer festival

Minibus details from Chris 07989185049

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