



# CAMRA Calling

# Stockport & Sth Manchester



## *Branch Diary & News for:* **Aug – Oct 2018**

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### AUGUST

- **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> - Day Out in Leeds.** Train departs Manchester Piccadilly **11.05**, arrives **12.08**. **Itinerary:** **12.30** Victoria Family and Commercial (food here); **13.30** Foleys Tap House; **14.00** The Ship; **14.30** Whitelocks Ale House; **15.15** Duck and Drake; **16.00** Tapped; **16.30** Scarborough Hotel; **17.00** The Hop. *Times are approximate and may run late. See website for more details.*
- **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> 2pm - Regional Cider Pub of the Year.** **Petersgate Tap**, 19a St Petersgate, Stockport, SK1 1EB. Bus: 300; Train: Stockport. *Presentation approximately 3pm.*
- **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> 8.15pm - Branch Meeting.** **Hope**, 118 Wellington Road North, Heaton Norris, SK4 2LL. Bus: 25, 192, 364. *Includes Quiz Night.*
- **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - Stagger: Levenshulme.** **7.30pm Klondyke Club**, 1 Burnage Range, M19 2HQ. (8.30pm **Station Hop**, 815 Stockport Road, M19 3BS.) Bus: 168, 171/2, 192, 197; Train: Levenshulme.
- **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> 8pm - Pub of the Month.** **Sidings**, Broom Lane, Levenshulme, M19 3WU. Bus: 171/2, 192, 197; Train: Levenshulme.
- **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> 7pm - Beer of the Festival Gold Award.** **Blackjack Brewery**, 36 Gould Street, M/cr, M4 4JT.

### SEPTEMBER

- **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 8pm - Mild Magic Champion Award.** **Petersgate Tap**, 19a St Petersgate, Stockport, SK1 1EB. Bus: 300; Train: Stockport.

- **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> 8.15pm - Committee Meeting.** **Alexandra**, 195 Northgate Road, Edgeley, SK3 9NJ. Bus: 309, 310; Train: Stockport.
- **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> 8.15pm - Branch Meeting.** **Gateway**, 882 Wilmslow Road, East Didsbury, M20 5PG. Bus: 23/A, 42/A, 50, 130, 142, 171, 270; Train/Metro: East Didsbury. *Includes Meet the Brewer.*
- **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> 11-11.30am - Beer of the Festival Silver Award.** **Stockport Brewing Co**, Unit 16, Gate Centre, Bredbury Parkway, Bredbury SK6 2SN. Bus: 322, 327.
- **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> 8pm - Pub of the Month.** **Bakers Vaults**, Market Place, Stockport, SK1 1ES. Train: Stockport.
- **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> - Stagger: Heaton Norris East.** **7.30pm Carousel**, 156 Reddish Road, SK5 7HR. (8.30pm **Silver Jubilee**, 21 Hamilton Square, SK4 1JG.) Bus: 7/A, 203.

### OCTOBER

- **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> 8.15pm - Committee Meeting.** **Fred's Ale House**, 843 Stockport Road, Levenshulme, M19 3PW. Bus: 168, 172, 178, 192, 197; Train: Levenshulme.
- **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> 8.15pm - Branch Meeting.** **Blossoms**, 2 Buxton Road, Heavily, SK2 6NU. Bus: 192, 199, 309, 374/5, 378; Train: Davenport. *Includes guest speaker, David Bremner.*
- **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> - Stagger: Gorton/Hyde Road.** **7.30pm Plough**, 927 Hyde Road, M18 7FB. (8.30pm **Royal Oak**, 114 Cross Lane, M18 8NZ.) Bus: 168, 171/2, 201/3/4/5; Train: Ryder Brow.
- **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> 8pm - Pub of the Month.** **Navigation**, 1 Manchester Road, Heaton Norris, SK4 1TY. Bus: 7/A, 203, 329.

### NOVEMBER

- **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> 8.15pm - Committee Meeting.** **Swan with Two Necks**, 36 Princes Street, Stockport, SK1 1RY. Bus: 300, 330; Train: Stockport.
- **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Day Out in Huddersfield via Stalybridge.** *See website for more details.*
- **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 8.15pm - Branch Meeting.** **Petersgate Tap**, 19a St Petersgate, Stockport, SK1 1EB. Bus: 300; Train: Stockport.

## Stockport Beer & Cider Festival

### The Future is at Stake

Jim Flynn writes

With a good steady flow of festival goers from beginning to end (and despite Northern Rail's best efforts) beer and cider sales per head held up well. There was a great atmosphere and the 2018 Festival was a pleasing success attracting numerous compliments.

All our members who contributed should be really proud, as it was due to their efforts that festival goers enjoyed themselves so much. I would particularly like to thank the organising committee who worked so tirelessly to put the festival on. Thank you all.

The Festival is returning to **Edgeley Park** for **2019**, subject to contract, but we need a new organising committee to rise to the challenge. New people must come through if the Festival is to continue to prosper and I would urge everybody to consider joining the organising committee. In particular, Pete Edwardson, our Finance Manager needs to job share his responsibilities and we need further management resources on the Reception and Staffing teams. Please volunteer, all necessary training will be provided.

If you are interested in joining us please contact me on **0161 432 1816** or **07917 596751** and come to first meeting of the committee at the **Armoury, Shaw Heath on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 8.15pm**.

#### Volunteers Wanted

There are members who can't make events or work at festivals but who would like to do their bit for the Campaign, and there may be others who would like to do a little more.

**All sorts of things happen behind the scenes. If you would like to help, please attend one of the meetings or contact John Abrams at: [secretary@ssmcamra.co.uk](mailto:secretary@ssmcamra.co.uk)**

## Good Beer Guide 2019

The 2019 Good Beer Guide will be out in September and promises to be bigger and better than ever before. With more and more new breweries and the rapidly changing pub scene can you afford to be without the most up-to-date Guide?

The cover price is £15.99, the official CAMRA member price is **£11** (plus £1.50 p&p) but the branch is selling copies at **£10 each**. These prices apply if you pick up the Guide from **Jim Flynn** at a branch event or at his home address (please ring first to check availability). All copies posted will cost £11 each (which is still a £1.00 saving on the official members' price including p&p). For postal sales please send a cheque made payable to **CAMRA, Stockport & South Manchester**, to Jim at his home address, **66 Downham Rd, Heaton Chapel, Stockport, SK4 5EG**. Please don't send in your postal requests until mid-September.

NB Fewer copies have been ordered this year, so please get your order in early.

## Stockport Beer Week 2018

Stockport Beer Week is back again, running from **20th - 30th September**, and will feature a number of events mainly concentrated in and around the Town Centre. Stockport has some great pubs and bars and many different styles of beer are available, so we want to encourage people to visit different places, try new beers and learn more about the industry. And to illustrate the point, you could become a **brewer for a day at Stockport Brewing Company** by supporting the raffle run by our charity partner, **Stockport Cerebral Palsy Society**.

The **Ale Trail**, supported by **Robinsons**, will be back and features some different pubs this year whilst the pub cellar tours are expanded to include new venues. The **Remedy Bar** will, again, be holding a beer festival, whilst the **Calvert's Court** will be showcasing Stockport beers. The fiendish **Stockport Quiz** returns to the **Spinning Top** on Wellington Road, where you can also meet the people behind **Poynton Brewery** and enjoy another "**Woodstockport**" music event featuring local bands.

The **Petersgate Tap** is the regional **Cider Pub of the Year**, so it is only appropriate that they will be running a tasting of ciders and perries, whilst they will also host the brewers from **Torrside Brewery**, who will be launching a new barrel aged beer. Up the Slope at the **Hope**, there will also be a new beer launch and brewery tours, and **Daisy Turnell**, marketing manager of the **Head of Steam** chain, will run a tasting of North East beers, where you are encouraged to bring non-beer drinkers along.

Watch out for an event at the new **Light Cinema** in the Redrock development and keep your eyes open for the special "**Beer Week Beer**" brewed for us by Richard at **Thirst Class Ales**. Out of the town centre, we have a guided tour of some of the pubs on the **bus 384** route in **Romiley and Marple**.

Thanks to all our sponsors including **Stockport Council, Totally Stockport, Robinsons Brewery, Imagine FM, Stockport Express** and **Metro Taxis** as we all have one goal; to assist in the regeneration of our Town Centre. Go to the branch website and social media to see full details of all the events.

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