

CAMRA Calling

Stockport & Sth Manchester



Branch Diary & News for: May — July 2018

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MAY

- Thursday 3rd 8.15pm Committee Meeting.
 Plough, 925 Hyde Road, Gorton, M18 7FB.
 Bus: 168, 171/2, 201, 203/4/5.
- Thursday 10th 8.15pm Branch Meeting.
 Blossoms, 2 Buxton Road, Heaviley,SK2 6NU.
 Bus: 192, 199, 309, 374/5, 378; Train: Davenport.
- Friday 18th Stagger: Stockport North & Portwood,
 7.30pm Midway, 263 Newbridge Lane, SK1 2BZ.
 (8.30pm Railway, 1 Avenue Street, Portwood, SK1 2BZ.)
 Bus: 330, 383, 384, 380/1.
- Thursday 24th 8pm Pub of the Month.
 Red Lion, 83 Stockport Road, Cheadle, SK8 2AJ.
 Bus: 11/A, 307/9, 310, 312.
- Thursday 31st to Saturday 2nd June -Stockport Beer and Cider Festival, Edgeley Park, Hardman Street, SK3 9DD.

JUNE

- Thursday 7th 8.15pm Committee Meeting.
 Ladybarn Social Club, 13 Green Street, Ladybarn,
 M14 6TL. Bus: 25, 44; Train: Mauldeth Road.
- Saturday 9th 7pm Club of the Year 2018. Wythenshawe (Cricket and Sports) Club, 78 Longley Lane, M22 4JF. Bus: 11A, 41, 43, 99, 101/2/3, 178. Presentation at approximately 8pm.
- Thursday 14th 8.15pm Branch Meeting.
 Magnet, 51 Wellington Road North, Heaton Norris, SK4 1HJ. Bus: 25, 192, 364.

- Friday 22nd Stagger: Withington.
 8pm Orion, 8 Burton Road, M20 3ED.
 (8.30pm Victoria, 438 Wilmslow Road, M20 3BW.)
 Bus: 41, 42/A/B, 43, 111, 142/3; Metro: Burton Road.
 Note later start time.
- Thursday 28th 8pm Pub of the Month.
 Griffin, 552 Didsbury Road, Heaton Mersey, SK4 3AJ.
 Bus: 23/A, 42/A, 370; Train/Metro: East Didsbury.

JULY

- Thursday 5th 8.15pm Committee Meeting.
 Fred's Ale House, 843 Stockport Road, Levenshulme, M19 3PW. Bus: 168, 172, 178, 192, 197;
 Train: Levenshulme.
- Saturday 7th Day Out in Altrincham.
 Train departs Stockport 11.52am, arrives 12.09pm.

 Itinerary: 12.15pm Old Market Tavern (food here);
 13.15pm Orange Tree; 13.45pm Pi; 14.15pm Jack in a Box; 14.45pm Cheshire Tap; 15.15pm Costello's;
 15.45pm Rustic. Times are approximate and may run late. See website for more details.
- Thursday 12th 8.15pm Branch Meeting.
 Petersgate Tap, 19a St Petersgate, Stockport,
 SK1 1EB. Bus: 300; Train: Stockport.
- Friday 20th Stagger: Cale Green & Higher Hillgate.
 7.30pm Blossoms, 2 Buxton Road, SK2 6NU.
 (8.30pm Wheatsheaf, 205 Higher Hillgate, SK1 3RB.)
 Bus: 192, 199, 309/10, 378; Train: Davenport.
- Thursday 26th 8pm Pub of the Month.
 Midland, 19 Wellington Road North, Heaton Norris, SK4 1HJ. Bus: 25, 192, 364.

AUGUST

- Saturday 4th Day Out in Leeds.
 Train departs Manchester Piccadilly 11.05am, arrives
 12.08pm. (Connection from Stockport departs 10.40am.)

 See website for more details.
- Thursday 9th 8.15pm Branch Meeting.
 Hope, 118 Wellington Road North, Heaton Norris, SK4 2LL. Bus: 25, 192, 364.

32nd Stockport Beer and Cider Festival

STAFFING - A VERY WARM WELCOME.

Stockport Beer and Cider Festival is one of the largest local CAMRA festivals and we need over 160 volunteers to run the Festival. **WE URGENTLY NEED YOUR HELP!**

Please don't leave it to others - we have a role for you - on the bars, customer care, reception, glasses, CAMRA shop, tombola or membership. It's especially important that we have help at our busiest times: Friday 25th and Tuesday 29th May set up (there's free food and beer/cider vouchers for all set-up volunteers), on Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd June, and especially on Sunday 3rd June knock-down (free beer/cider and food). You can really make the difference.

'Why should I help?' It's a great opportunity to enjoy yourself while making an important contribution to the Campaign. During the festival itself you receive a free T-shirt, food and drink, and a subsidised taxi home if you work until 11.30pm. All volunteers are invited to the staff party at the Gateway, East Didsbury, where you will be royally treated to free food and drink (beer, from a range of breweries, and cider). Most of all though, it's great fun and a chance to meet new people!

Fill in your form online at:

https://www.stockportfestival.org.uk/volunteer (a paper version is enclosed for those receiving a paper copy of CAMRA Calling). If you need additional forms, please contact Pete Farrand or go online.

Remember this is your Festival! Please complete your staffing form NOW

CUSTOMER CARE TEAM - THE PUBLIC FACE OF THE FESTIVAL

Our Customer Care Team is very important to the festival and we need volunteers to help our customers have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

The team is the friendly, welcoming, first point of contact when customers need assistance and the eyes and ears of the festival. The primary responsibility of the team is caring for the welfare of our customers from the moment they walk through the door. So, if you enjoy working with the public then our Customer Care Team will welcome you with open arms. Please contact **Mike or Jan Flynn**.

PUBLICITY - HELP SPREAD THE WORD

While there can be no Festival without staff, equally we need customers. You can help bring in those extra drinkers by displaying the enclosed poster prominently at work, your local pub/club/shop/library or even in your front window. If you need extra copies (or receive the online version) please contact Jim Flynn or print them off from the website. Help spread the word!

Please tell your friends, relatives, work colleagues and neighbours. Encourage them to come along. Word of mouth is very powerful!

TOMBOLA / GAMES

If you have any pub/brewery/real ale memorabilia (e.g. glasses) please phone **Dave Platt** or bring them down to the Festival.

Please put these dates in your diary:

Setting up	Friday 25th and Tuesday	
	29th to Thursday 31st May	9.00am – 6pm
Trade Session	Thursday 31st May	3.30 – 5.30pm
Drinking sessions	Thursday 31st May	5.30 – 11pm
	Friday 1st June	Noon – 11pm
	Saturday 2 nd June	Noon – 11pm
Knock-down	Sunday 3 rd June	9.00am onwards

All contacts can be found at

https://www.stockportfestival.org.uk/volunteer

- **Staffing** Pete Farrand on 07786 283990
- **Information** Jim Flynn on 07917 596751
- Customer Care Team Mike Flynn on 07588 605606 or Jan Flynn on 07788 715816
- Tombola Dave Platt on 0161 256 1166
- Website www.stockportfestival.org.uk

Mild Magic 2018

Our mild pub passport scheme Mild Magic' runs until 13th May. Please support it by taking part, it's very easy, plus there are great prizes, including beer tickets, T-shirts, polo shirts, sweatshirts and fleeces. See March/April's 'Opening Times' magazine or contact Margaret O'Brien or David Platt for details.

Good Beer Guide 2018

The special £10 branch price (if you pick it up from Jim Flynn) will cease at the end of May - copies posted to an address in the branch area cost £11.00 send a cheque made payable to "CAMRA Stockport & South Manchester" to Jim's home address

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