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Durham Drinker

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Hello and welcome to issue 138 of Durham Drinker.

As the country slowly wends its way back towards normal (whatever that is these days), CAMRA Durham has been doing its best to keep people informed about the situation with our pubs, clubs, and breweries, all the while encouraging people to use those pubs and clubs, and to try real ale if they're not already doing so.

Conversations with licensees have revealed that in certain sectors those returning to pubs are doing so while going for "non-real" beers, with the cask side of things being slower to recover. Whether this is a by-product of drinkers getting used to certain products that were available to them during lockdown, which in many cases didn't involve real ale, is open to debate. However, one thing that is definite is that pubs and clubs were closed for a long time and this had an effect on people's drinking habits. Bottles and cans became the norm for many, and the social aspect of visiting the local disappeared for some. The buzz-words of "mental health" have been on everyone's lips, and even the most cynical of us will have realised that this is a very real problem which has grown as a result of the pandemic. As a friend of mine said recently when asked why he'd started going down the pub of a Sunday afternoon, "for a bit of man-chat." That can obviously be applied to both genders, as it just means getting together with friends over a few drinks and putting the world to rights. Getting it off your chest rather than shouting at the television, sharing everything from the silly jokes to the serious debates of the day. CAMRA Durham recognises the vital role pubs play in our community, and continue discourse with local MPs and councils, sending them a monthly newsletter pressing for their intervention on various matters that affect pubs and brewers. Several points have been raised in parliament as a direct result of our work with MPs, so big thanks are due to them for responding.

As CAMRA has recently celebrated its golden anniversary, various celebratory awards were made, and we in Durham must congratulate long-standing member and former chairman (amongst various other roles) **Peter Lawson** on his Golden Award for his outstanding contribution over the years. Well done Peter.

..and you can do your bit. Please use our pubs and clubs: help keep them alive.

Paul Dobson

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Diary Dates:

- March 10th, Thursday, branch meeting 7:30pm, Butchers Arms Chester le Street
- March 23rd, Wednesday afternoon, wander around Tantobie area
- March 24th– 27th Station House Beer Festival, Durham City.
- Saturday March 26th Tyne Valley trip
- March 30th—April 3rd Surtees Arms beer festival, Ferryhill Station
- April AGM, to be arranged
- April 6th-9th Newcastle beer festival, Northumbria University students' Union
- Thursday May 12th 7:30, branch meeting, Grand Electric Hall, Spennymoor
- Saturday May 21st, regional meeting. Details to follow





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Pub and brewery news

- The Black Bull in Wolsingham has reopened, with a real ale voted for by the customers.
- The Queens Head in Shildon has closed and reopened since our last issue. No real ale yet, but perhaps they'll join Elm Road Club, the Railway Institute, the Three Tuns, and the Bar & Kitchen on the Shildon Ale Trail.
- Caps Off brewery has taken over the site formerly occupied by the Bishop Auckland Brewery, which is no longer in operation, giving more space for expansion of cask production.
- No real ale at the Coal Face, Seaham (not to be confused with the Coal House)
- The Moorings at Hett Hills has changed hands and removed the real ale
- The Happy Wanderer in Framwellgate has reopened as The Gate, with hand-pumps in place—if you get the chance to visit, please let us know what you find.
- The Half Moon in Kirk Merrington has reopened and is trying cask ale, with Black Sheep and Yard of Ale being featured.
- The Chester Moor was due to reopen in February
- The saga of the sale or otherwise of the Smiths Arms at Castle Dene near Chester le Street rumbles on, with the owner, who want to convert to residential use, and the Save the Smiths group working to move forward on the situation. The pub remains closed for the foreseeable future.
- The Durham sausage company has opened an outlet in Durham with keg taps from Hops & Dots and McColl's.
- The Brawn's Den at Brandon has new management
- The former Black Horse at Brandon is now the Pub and Kitchen, but with no real ale.
- No real ale at the Moors Tavern, Spennymoor after reopening

A warm welcome awaits you on the East Sussex coast!

CAMRA's Members' Weekend, AGM & Conference will be hosted by our Sussex branches at the **Winter Garden in Eastbourne 8-10 April 2022.**

After two years without a physical event, hundreds of members have already registered to attend – to see what Sussex has to offer by way of great beer, cider and perry. The weekend is a chance to meet friends, make new ones, go on organised brewery trips and take part in activities.

It's free to attend and open to all CAMRA members.

The weekend is staffed by volunteers – with a range of opportunities to help on offer.

All the information is on the event page – where you can register to attend / sign up to help - go to

www.camra.org.uk/members-weekend-agm-conference

Or email membersweekend@camra.org.uk



Pub and Club of the Year

After much voting and counting., the results of the CAMRA Durham Pub and Club of the Year competition were announced in early February.

Here we go, then, with the winners and runners-up...

Town Pub of the Year

Winner: The Grey Horse, Consett 1

Runners Up: The Little Tap, Spennymoor, 3 and the Butchers Arms, Chester le Street 2

City Pub of the Year:

Winner: The Station House, Durham 4

Runners Up: Ye Old Elm Tree, Durham 5 and the Victoria, Durham 10

Country Pub of the Year

Winner: The Surtees Arms, Ferryhill Station 9

Runners Up: The Beamish Mary, No Place 12, and the Stapylton Arms, Hawthorn 11

Cider Pub of the Year

Winner: The Station House, Durham 4

Runners Up: Fram Ferment, Framwellgate Moor, 14 and the Holy Gale, Durham 13

Club of the Year

Winner: Chester le Street Masonic Centre 6

Runners Up: Tanfield Lea Club 7 and Durham City Rugby Club 8

See pictures of successful venues overleaf, numbered above



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Many congratulations to all the pubs and clubs in the various categories. We'll be presenting them all with their certificates as soon as possible, so please watch out for details on our social media, and join us at the presentations to help them celebrate.

Thanks to all who voted, as it's your opinions and comments that make these pubs and clubs winners and runners up. If you think your local is worth an award, then watch out for next year's competition and make your feelings known with your votes.

Watch out for how CAMRA Durham's pubs and clubs fare in the regional, and hopefully national, competition -again, we'll keep you posted. We've had regional winners in the past, with the Grey Horse, Consett, the Surtees Arms at Ferryhill Station, and Durham City's Victoria Inn among our pubs that have gone on to "greater" things. Even being nominated beyond our Durham area means positive publicity for our venues, so make your vote count when you get the chance.

The “Goth” and the Gothenburg system

Lying about eight miles east of Edinburgh is the small town of Prestonpans, nestling on the coast north of the A1. It is well blessed with places of interest, such as an industrial museum, a famous battle site (in 1745- Bonnie prince Charlie’s highland army defeated a government army) and a nationally important heritage pub, the Prestoungrange Gothenburg. Known locally as the Goth, it lies facing the sea on the High street, with excellent views over the Firth of Forth to the kingdom of Fife.



It has its own brewery and is part of a much bigger history, which we will visit later. Built in 1908 in Arts and Crafts style, the public bar is magnificent, featuring low segmented arches, wall panelling and rich green Art Nouveau tiling. The central bar was an island bar with a tiny jug bar joining it next to the front door. To the left is an elegantly panelled lounge which functions as a dining room, and in an extension to the rear is the brewery.

The beer is brewed by the Faking Bad brewery ,set up, as one would expect from the name, by two chemistry teachers. They brew two beers: Sub Atomic, a light fruity APA 5.2%, and Proton Porter, a warm dark 5.7% beer subtly spiced with ginger. The beers are available as mini kegs as off sales. I don’t know if they supply any other pubs.

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But the real story is The Gothenburg System, originating in the Swedish city of that name. In the mid-nineteenth century spirits were widely distilled in



homes in Sweden, producing a major health and economic challenge to the nation. In 1865 this was outlawed and one provider was given a monopoly, but any profit was limited to 5% with the rest being returned to the community, controlled by town council, and used to build schools, hospitals, parks etc. The idea was picked up by coal merchants who exported Scottish coal to Gothenburg.

Then in 1893 the Industrial and Provident Societies Act allowed a similar system to be adopted in Scotland. Local coal companies set up these pubs almost entirely in the Scottish coalfields, and by 1914 there were more than 20 in Fife. The pubs were initially designed to be unwelcoming and austere to discourage drinking, gambling, and spirits. and any games (including dominos) were banned, while no credit was allowed. The system funded libraries, bowling greens, museums, parks, and cinemas.



Throughout Scotland several Gothenburg pubs remain but only three operate under the old system where profits are returned to the community. The Goth in Prestonpans is far from austere but still operates under the old system, serving three real ales at any one time, making it well worth a visit. Whatpub describes it as a *superb Gothenburg pub listed on*

CAMRA's National Pub Inventory with a magnificent painted ceiling in the bar. The in-house microbrewery that can be viewed from the bar is now used by Faking Bad Brewery (<https://www.fakingbadbrewery.co.uk>) to produce the in-house real ales. There is an upstairs lounge and function room with superb views over the Forth. The walls throughout are covered in murals and paintings depicting past local life. Meals are served all day and include gluten free options.



The Strangers' Bar

Fans of *Only Fools and Horses* will remember the famous, “New York, Paris, Peckham” tagline on Del Boy’s battered Robin Reliant van.... well ,for **Consett Ale Works**, we can now add a similar tag to our equally over-worked fleet - “*Consett, Whitby, Alston, Sea-houses... Palace of Westminster.*” An equally far- fetched claim, but in this case, accurate - for a short time at least. On the 8th of February, four casks of Consett Ale Works’ **Steeltown**, headed to the big city, and the exclusive “Strangers’ Bar”, where MPs are known to assemble in “work-related gatherings” after a long day at the furnaces of power. It’s the most exclusive of the many bars within Parliament, open only to MPs, senior civil servants, and invited guests.

It’s on the bar thanks to a scheme, believed to have been instated under Harold Wilson (who had Federation Best as his recommendation), that any MP can nominate a brewery from their constituency and invite them to supply a flagship ale to appear on the bar. In 2019, **Yard Of Ale** sent their **Local Hero** and **Village Brewer** near Darlington also had the honour in 2011. It’s worth noting that the bar pays the going price for the beer, does not ask for discounts, supplies casks, and pays the courier. So, unlike some notorious pub chains, the brewer doesn’t lose out.

So what is the Strangers Bar like? It’s customary for breweries who supply the beer to be invited down for a visit, and we did exactly that on February 23rd. Recently, however, Speaker of the House Lindsay Hoyle said this in an interview. “You’re quite right, Strangers’ Bar has had a bad reputation – I want it to have a better reputation. I want to make sure that we have the right standards, the right protection in there, and that it is there for social drinking, not heavy drinking.”

Maybe that explains why they have such strict rules on the beer they will stock. “4.5% or less, traditional styles, brewed throughout the year, and no names that could in any way be interpreted to demonstrate political alliance or leaning”

So that’s our own Red Dust out of the window! Strength (tick) traditional style (tick), brewed every week (tick), “no names that that could in anyway be interpreted to demonstrate political alliance or leaning” Hmm, in a constituency that was Labour from the day it was founded, and now has a Conservative MP?.... **Steeltown** it is, though some might argue that the fact Consett is no longer an actual “Steel Town” is all



down to politics.

So how did we get here?

It all started on a very wet, very windy, and very cold (typical Consett) December evening, just prior to Polling Day. Sick of hearing customers say “no politician has ever knocked on my door for a chat”, I invited every candidate to come down and speak to the drinkers at the **Grey Horse**. Each potential MP got the floor for one night to speak to, and take questions from, their voters. Who says you shouldn’t discuss politics over a pint?

Each night started with them pulling themselves an ale (they love a photo op!), and each night ended with me asking them if they would pledge to get Consett beer into the Parliamentary bar. Despite the fact I was obviously saying it with my tongue firmly in my cheek, every candidate enthusiastically agreed to do what they could. If I’m honest though, I wasn’t holding my breath.

Richard Holden got a particularly rough time, as one might expect for a Conservative candidate in the so-called Red Wall, but he took it in good spirit. He talked passionately about his interest in pubs and beer as well as his politics, and even stayed for the quiz. In fact, he’s become something of a regular at **The “Hoss”, The Steel Club**, and also **The Black Lion** in Wolsingham. He also spoke regularly with publicans in the area during covid19, and campaigned for the area’s pubs in debate in Commons, mentioning many by name. Safe to say, Richard Holden is a “pub person”



MP Richard Holden at the Grey Horse.... Select Committee?

Along with many of our MPs. Richard has also spoken with CAMRA about its work. He brought Secretary of State for Business, Kwasi Kwarteng, to the brewery to talk to us about the challenges faced by pubs and breweries. For the record,

Kwasi is a dark beer man himself, and took a few bottles of Consett Stout away with him. I might not agree with a lot of what his party says or most of what it has done, but Richard Holden’s genuine passion for beer and pubs is refreshing to say the least.



Sandra Wilkinson, Liam Fox MP, Dave Wilkinson, & Richard Holden MP

Within about a month of him getting the nod from the people of Northwest Durham, there

was an order in place for our ale. We might not yet have the railway line that was proposed, but the beer was going to London in three months' time. An election pledge fulfilled before he even had an office or many staff. A great start!

Or so it seemed. Then came COVID and all the turmoil that went with it. Pubs had to close, and that meant the Strangers' Bar would close too. Those "work-related gatherings" had to find new venues. Our order was cancelled. Pubs reopened with strange rules, but with no outdoor areas and the vast majority of its customers working remotely, the Strangers' Bar remained closed. Time passed, and we had pretty much resigned ourselves to the fact we were unlikely to have our moment. Let down by politicians again.....

Then it came. The call that they were back up and running and our ale would be among the first to appear. Surely two years is the longest any pub has had a "coming soon" sticker on its pump-clips! This was rapidly followed by the expected invite to London to sample the beer ourselves, and to enjoy a tour of the historic building, and perhaps even a look in on PMQ's. It's a day out we were looking forward to, even if the very next day saw the start of the **Grey Horse** Beer Festival, by far our busiest and most exhausting weekend of the year. It was quite a week for us!

I look forward to updating Whatpub with this rather unusual bar, and I was very curious as to what our politicians pay for our beer. Given the horror stories I have heard from drinkers in the capital, I was hoping they had a happy hour - not that it mattered too much, as one of the other quirks of the Strangers' Bar is that guests aren't allowed to pay for their own drinks: the MP has to pick up the bill. It was certainly a lot less than the subsequent pint in Covent Garden!



Ale Woks brewer Ian Jackson oversees the pulling of a pint of Steeltown in Westminster

Dave Wilkinson

Grand Spring Quiz

nee Googling, mind

Answers inside back page



- 1) In which city would you find the land of green ginger?
- 2) Which was Roger Moore's first James Bond film?
- 3) Who played Polly in Fawlty Towers?
- 4) Which singer died on the golf course in 1977?
- 5) Which country was the first to make car seat belts compulsory, in 1969?
- 6) In which city is Logan airport ?
- 7) Which was the first planet to be landed on by a spacecraft (from earth)?
- 8) How many children did queen Victoria have?
- 9) Which king appointed Thomas a Beckett as his chancellor?
- 10) Who was the last Viceroy of India ?
- 11) In which country was the first police force established? (bonus for the exact year)
- 12) What two things is a sirocco?
- 13) Which play do actors consider it unlucky to mention by name?
- 14) Take my Breath Away is a song from which film?
- 15) Where in Yorkshire is the end (or beginning) of the Coast to Coast Walk?

South West Durham? Why not pop along to
your three local Wetherspoon's?

THE HORSE SHOE, CROOK



A YEAR OF ALE 2022



JANUARY

Battle Of The
Beers

FEBRUARY

HADRIAN BORDER
Favourites

MARCH

Wetherspoon
Spring Real Ale Festival

APRIL

Showcasing
ALLENDALE BEER

MAY

Tap Takeover
FROM A LOCAL FAVOURITE **MAXIM BREWERY**

JUNE

Tap Takeover & Meet the
Brewer
FIREBRICK BREWERY

JULY

BRITISH
CLASSICS

AUGUST

Daleside Tap
Takeover

SEPTEMBER

Stouts In September
SHOWCASING STOUTS AND DARK BEER
THROUGHOUT SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

Wetherspoon
Autumn Real Ale Festival

NOVEMBER

Battle Of The
Beers

DECEMBER

Christmas Ales
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February Tap Takeover
Hadrian & Border
Brewery

March- Tap Takeover
Black Sheep Brewery

April - JDW Spring Beer
Festival

May- Tap Takeover
Rudgate Brewery

June- Tap Takeover
Daleside Brewery

July - Tap Takeover
Camerons Brewery

August - Tap Takeover
Maxim Brewery

September - Tap Takeover
Allendale Brewery

October - JDW Beer
Festival

November - Tap Takeover
Customer best of the best
festival

December - Christmas
Ales

OUR YEAR OF ALE MONTHLY EVENTS



Last Week Of Every Month

GRAND ELECTRIC HALL, SPENNYMOOR

March 30th till 10th April - Wetherspoon
Beer Fest

April - Regulars Requests Take Over

May - Allendale Brewery

June - York Brewery

July - Daleside Brewery

August - Regulars Request Take Over

September - Maxim Brewery

October - Wetherspoon Beer Fest

November - Autumn Tap Take Over

December - Christmas Ales



GRAND ELECTRIC
HALL, SPENNYMOOR



Wednesday Wanders

Last autumn, in an attempt to attract more members to CAMRA Durham functions, someone had the brilliant idea of a midweek get-together once a month, purely on a social rather than branch business level, in places other than Durham City that are served by public transport.

To say they've been a success is putting it mildly. Starting off in November in Bishop Auckland (Sportsman, Stanley Jefferson, Bay Horse, Pollards), we've since taken in Newcastle (yes, we know, it's not Durham. Centurion, Newcastle Tap, Forth, Bodega, Crown Posada, Head of Steam, Gunner Tavern), Sedgefield (Social Club, Hardwick Arms, Pickled Parson, Impeccable Pig, Dun Cow) and Seaham (Dempseys,

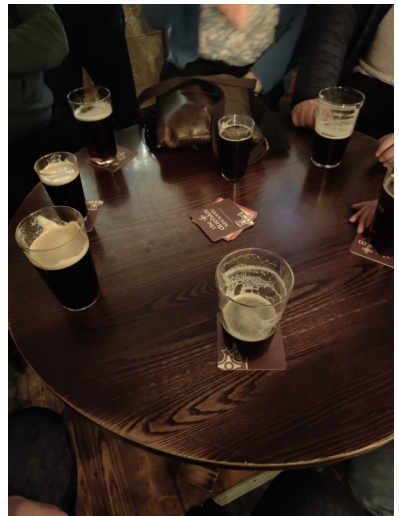


Hat & Feathers, Coal House), with attendances always over a dozen and peaking at the February trip to Seaham, when members from neighbouring Sunderland and South Tyneside joined us, as well as National Executive officer Hubert Gieschen. We fully realise that these events are restricted to folks who are free



on a weekday lunchtime, but they've provided a great opportunity to "fact find" about pubs and beer in the locations involved, without the rigours of an agenda and in the case of Seaham, have a social chat with members from other branches and swap some ideas and information. If you're not lucky enough to have Wednesdays free, please come along to our branch meetings on an evening—we'd love to meet you. If you are, please check our online diary and come along to our next wander around Tantobie.

Also of vital importance to our knowledge of the pubs and beers in our area, these outings give the opportunity for a dozen or more members, including those from outside our branch area, to score their beers on Whatpub, and this information simply lets us know what folks think of the beer in those pubs.



Next up is the Tantobie area on March 23rd, so be there or be square—details of transport options will be published on our social media platforms.



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Durham Drinker

Picture Quiz

can you name these local hostelries?

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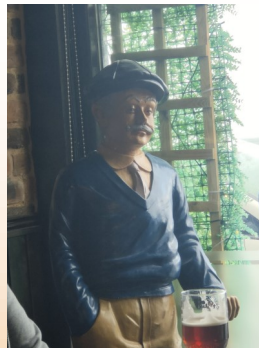
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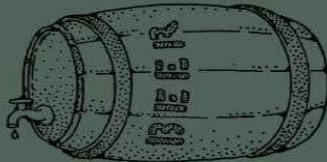
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Ye Old Elm Tree



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- Our Famous Pub Quiz every Wednesday at 9pm.
- Acoustic Nights on the first Sunday of every month from 8pm.

More pub news

The Tap & Spile at Framwellgate Moor has reverted to its original name of the Queens Head, and offers four real ales

The Three Horse Shoes at Maiden Law has reopened and promises real ale from Consett Ale Works

Sam Smiths have added dogs to the list of things banned in their pubs. No swearing, no mobile phones, no dogs....

Various pubs across the county offer discounts to CAMRA members (make sure you take your membership card). The offers available, as known to us in December 2021, are:

- Green Tree, Bishop Auckland: 10p off pint, 5p off half cask ale on production of valid CAMRA membership card
- Red Lion, North Bitchburn: 20p off pint cask ale for CAMRA members
- Pack Horse, Burnopfield: 10% off real ale for card carrying CAMRA members
- Church Mouse, Chester Moor: 20p off pint of cask ale to card carrying CAMRA members
- Grey Horse, Consett: 10p off a pint on production of valid CAMRA card
- Duke of Wellington, Durham: 20p off a pint of cask ale for CAMRA members.
- Elm Tree, Durham: 10% off real ale on production of valid membership card
- Head of Steam, Durham: 20p off a pint of cask ale for card carrying CAMRA members
- Market Tavern, Durham: 10% off real ale for CAMRA members.
- The Waiting Room, Durham 5% discount on cask ales (not keg) on production of valid CAMRA membership card
- Pelaw Grange Greyhound Stadium: free entry to race meetings for CAMRA members.
- Crow's Nest, Seaham: 10% off cask ale on production of valid CAMRA membership card
- Three Tuns, Shildon: 20p off real ale on production of valid CAMRA membership card
- Hare and Hounds, Westgate: First two pints of Weard'ALE beer half price with an evening meal or Sunday carvery. Table must be booked in advance.

In addition, all CAMRA members currently receive £30 of CAMRA vouchers redeemable in the form of 50p off a pint of any cask ale nationally in many pubs. Full details of the scheme can be found on [CAMRA's website](#). In the Durham Branch area these are pubs operated by the Wetherspoon, Stonegate and Amber Taverns pub companies:

Stonegate pubs in our area are the Library, Durham, The Three Bridges, Durham, and the Whitehills, Chester-le-Street, and the Chester Moor. Amber Taverns in our area unfortunately don't sell real ale.

If you are aware of any offers that aren't listed, or have any problems with the above offers, please let us know. You can find out more about these outlets by viewing their entries in CAMRA's national database whatpub.com.



THE THREE TUNS

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More pub news

Amber Taverns have applied for change of use of former retail outlet in Peterlee.

No more real ale at the Inn Between, Seaham, the Golden Lion, Sedgfield, the Crown & Thistle at Catchgate, the Manor House, Ferryhill, Castle Eden Golf Club, The Cast Iron (formerly the 1815) bar in the Royal County, Durham, and the New Board Inn at Esh.

THE STAPYLTON ARMS

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Quiz Night - Sunday

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Please score your beers!

0. No cask ale available.

1. Poor. Beer that is anything

from barely drinkable to drinkable with considerable resentment.

2. Average. Competently kept, drinkable pint but doesn't inspire in any way, not worth moving to another pub

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