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Friday	17th June	11am – 3pm
Friday	17th June	5pm – 10.30pm
Saturday	18th June	11am – 7pm†

†Or until the Beer sells out, if earlier.

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Friday 11am - 3pm: £5.50 ticket†

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Introduction

Welcome to the 24th CAMRA South Downs Beer & Cider Festival, at the Corn Exchange. We hope you enjoy your session with us, the team have sought out more than 75 beers together with a selection of real ciders, perries and specialty ciders (cider with additional fruit!). Also, for the first time, we will have some great keg beers from our local breweries.

If you are new to CAMRA, we are not just about promoting real ale and cider but campaigning for consumer rights; be this keeping pubs open as these are the best place to drink real ale and cider; but also on taxation, which affects the price of your drink.

Ticket Details

See poster below for Sessions, Ticket Prices and availability at outlets, by Mail Order and On-line; QR Code below goes direct to the on-line purchasing site

Camra Membership Stand

This is in the main hall. The staff will be happy to explain the many benefits of CAMRA membership; and will be even happier to sign you up!

If you are already a member or join on the day, this is where you can pick up your £2 worth of tokens on production of a valid membership card.

CAMRA and other Merchandise, bottled water, crisps, nuts and other snacks can also be purchased here for cash only, Tokens will not be accepted.

Catering

Food, including vegetarian, vegan and gluten free options will be available in the

Main Hall. Hot and cold drinks, including tea and coffee will also be available.

No tokens, please, only cash will be accepted here.

A separate queue may be in operation for our volunteer staff. This enables them to get back to the bar to serve you. Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

Tokens

Beer, Cider and Perry can only be purchased using tokens; Tokens sheets can be purchased at the Tokens area next to the Glasses.

Unused tokens can be refunded for cash up until "TIME" is called at the end of each Session.

Payment

Payments for tokens may be made by cash or using Debit/Credit Cards, either contactless or by chip and PIN, up to a limit of £30; payment for all other items is by cash.

Facilities

Disabled toilets; the toilets adjacent to the entrance hall are accessible.

Please note that no-one under the age of 18 is permitted; this includes babies and young children. Dogs will only be allowed if kept quiet and on a lead at all times.

Festival Charity

We are proud to have as our festival charity this year the St Peter & St James Hospice. (for more on our festival charity see Home - St Peter & St James Hospice (stpjhospice.org) or talk to their volunteers at the stand located on the way into the Main Hall).

The easiest way to give is to place any unused tokens in the collecting box near the exit; we will remit the value of these donations in full to St Peter & St James, or you can choose the traditional way with donations in collection boxes.

SUSSEX PUB SCRATCHINGS

News of new developments and updates on the Sussex pub scene will be gratefully received by the Editor for consideration in Scratchings. The standard disclaimer on p26 applies to all items.

NOTICE: As venues recover following the coronavirus lockdown period they need your support more than ever. Special restrictions may apply, opening hours may be different to those displayed here, and some pubs may be yet to re-open at all. Please use [WhatPub.com](https://www.whatpub.com) for details of all Sussex pubs, and we've made every effort to ensure details on WhatPub are accurate, however we strongly advise checking ahead before visiting, by phone, website or Facebook page.

■ ASHURST WOOD

The **Three Crowns** reopened in March.

The **Maypole** continues to serve an excellent pint of Harvey's Sussex

■ BELLS YEW GREEN



The **Brecknock Arms** has much improved recently and has returned to being an unpretentious

friendly village local. There are usually at least two, often three, Harvey's beers available (always including Sussex Best Bitter) which have always been in good condition when visited several times over the last few months. Good simple pub food is offered and there is a largish events building in the pleasant garden behind the pub which is also used for the September beer festival.

■ BEXHILL

Apologies to the **Albatross (RAFA) Club** and their chief steward, Jody Lee. We

unfortunately got his name wrong in the Spring issue.

The **Brickmaker's Alehouse** held their second beer and cider festival in March - it was superb. CAMRA members attending their Members Weekend and AGM in Eastbourne in April were flocking there.

■ BILLINGSHURST

The **Billi Tap** usually has a beer truck out the back on Saturdays, providing food for pub goers, while they sample the range of Little Monster and Brolly ales and other local drinks on offer.

■ BRIGHTON



Congratulations to Jim and the team as the **Hole in the Wall** has been awarded the Brighton and South Downs Branch Pub of the Year for 2022. They have a consistently good selection of four or five real ales, always

including a bitter and a dark beer. There are regular tap takeover events which are publicised in the pub and on their Facebook page.

■ CHICHESTER

The **Bell** returned to pre-Covid opening times in April (see WhatPub for details). This friendly local serves three changing real ales, usually locally sourced and always well kept. Well worth a visit.

The **Foundry** by the railway station (a Greene King pub) was serving Side Pocket for a Toad (Tring Brewery) and Taylor's Landlord on a recent visit.



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■ COOKSBRIDGE

The **Rainbow Inn** has a lease available for £55,000, as the current leaseholder is looking to move it on, as apparently the pub does not fit operator Revived Inns business model. The pub has a large restaurant, a bar area, a function room and three double bedrooms.

■ CRAWLEY

On recent visits to the **Brewery Shades** in Crawley in recent weeks their excellent range of beers and ciders have been sampled.

■ EASTBOURNE



Beerarama is now open in Bolton Road in the town centre. It's a friendly craft bar with a wide selection of bottles and cans and six keg lines, two being KeyKeg, usually from Beak or Abyss. Shown behind the bar are Rachel, John and Jamie.

Another craft ale bar, **Ninkaci**, in the Enterprise Centre next to Eastbourne station, has moved to a larger unit in the Centre. Expect a good range of KeyKeg and standard keg beers.

Around 1,000 enthusiastic real ale buffs descended on Eastbourne on the second weekend of April for CAMRA's annual conference at the Winter Garden. This event rotates around the country, 2009 was the last year it was in Eastbourne. Although there was a special Real Ale and Cider bar at the event, the delegates managed to boost takings at pubs all around the town and beyond. According to CAMRA's Beer Scoring database the four most visited

pubs over the weekend, perhaps not surprisingly, were in the Old Town area: the **Hurst**, the **Crown** and the **Lamb**; plus Wetherspoon's **London and County** opposite the station.

■ EAST GRINSTEAD

The **Engine Room** had a great choice of mainly dark beers for the third birthday beer festival over the first weekend of March. Definitely a date to put in diaries for next year if you are a dark beer lover.

■ EAST PRESTON

Clockhouse Bar has been sold with the new owners taking over on the 1st April.

■ FAIRLIGHT

The **Cove** closed about six years ago, but has now reopened, having had a complete transformation. Whilst externally reminiscent of the style of the Net Huts in



Hastings Old Town, internally it has an open modern feel with a large dining area. The small bar has a single handpump dispensing Harvey's Sussex Best. Guest bedrooms have now been added. Food is available; accommodation will follow in time. See thecovefairlight.co.uk.

■ FITTLEWORTH, NR PETWORTH

The **Swan** closed in December 2020 due to being unviable for the previous lessees. Stonegate, the owners, instructed Fleurets to market the hotel, bar & restaurant either for lease or for sale. It is available for £1,250,000.

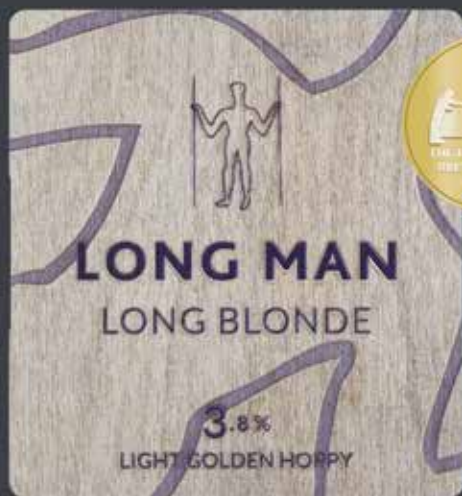
■ FOREST ROW

A new management team have taken on the **Swan**, which now serves Harvey's Sussex Best Bitter and a beer from Cellar Head, as well as house keg beers brewed for them by Cellar Head.



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■ HASSOCKS



The **BN6 Craft beer and Tap** bar recently opened, and is showing great potential. When visited they had six keg and three casks

on and a row of fridges stocking cans of craft beer favourites and some local wines. Cider lovers were offered a good choice too. The bar concentrates on serving local beers and were keen to hear about beers you would like to see offered. Work to complete the frontage and rear outside area are still ongoing, so care needs to be taken not to walk past it. From the station head East: you have gone too far if you reach National Tyres!

■ HASTINGS

The **Seadog**, Station Road, is a new venture in the town centre, close to the station. It was formerly the Royal George and, before that, Frank's Front Room.

The **Plough** in Priory Road reopened in March, to the delight of residents in the West Hill area.

■ HAYWARDS HEATH

The **Tap** is a new bar which opened on 1st April by Bestens Brewery on South Road. The offering kicked off with four cask beers (including offerings from Brolly and Hand) and six kegs (mostly from Bestens)

The **Hop Sun** - home of Heathen Brewers - has extended its hours opening on Thursdays and Fridays at 3pm and Saturdays and Sundays at noon. Closing time is 9pm on all days. The beer range varies and can include Mild and Stout from Heathen. A Burning Sky beer is often available. There is also a new inside drinking area.

The **Lockhart Tavern** continues to boast six cask ales sourced both locally and from breweries such as Bristol Beer Factory, Thornbridge, and Dorking.

■ HENFIELD



The **Henfield Club** on Henfield High Street (17 and 100 bus routes) celebrates 102 years this year. There are

always two ales from Downlands, currently Club Centenary Ale (Best) and Bramber both at £3.60. There are two snooker tables, darts, and a range of other pub games. Card-carrying CAMRA members can be signed in at the bar. There is a non-members open day on Saturday 4th June, 12-4 pm, with a local Jubilee ale from Riverside Brewery

The **Bull** has Harvey's Best and one or two craft keg ales from 360 Degrees.

■ HORSHAM

It's great to see a big increase in very local beers available in the Horsham pubs, notably at the **Kings Arms**, **Black Jug**, **Malt Shovel** and **Anchor Tap**, with all these now regularly having at least one available.

■ HOVE

The **Blind Busker** continues to offer its regular six real ales (Greene King Abbot, Doom Bar, Timothy Taylor's Landlord, Dark Star Hophead, St Austell Proper Job, and Harvey's Best).

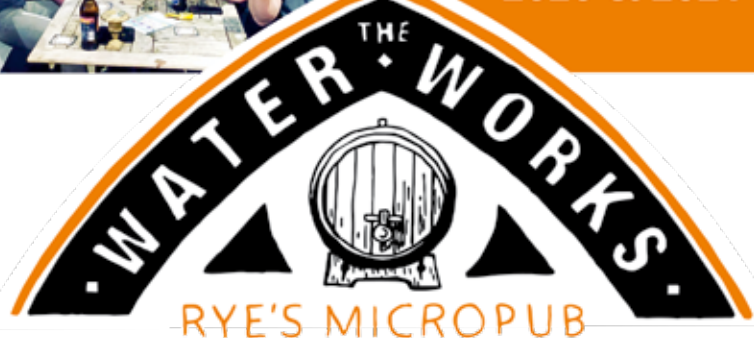
The **Neptune** is also hoping to offer cask cider on hand pump soon, in addition to its regular real ales (Long Blonde, Abbot, Harvey's Best, and Adnams Ghost Ship).

The **Watchmaker's Arms**, having recently received the Cider Pub of the Year award, now offers six real ciders (the selection included Sandford Orchard Devon Scrumpy, Dorset Nectar Foxy Ginger, and Napton No.3 when we called). It also serves four regularly changing cask beers (always including a stout or other dark beer) and two keg. Selections change regularly -

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often twice a week - and up to date information can be found on the pub's website.

■ HUNSTON

The **Spotted Cow** is being revitalised as a traditional village local under its new tenants. Four well-kept Fuller's ales are always available, often including ESB, unusual for the area. The quality of the food too has a growing reputation; both drinkers and eaters are assured of a warm welcome.

■ HURSTPIERPOINT

Tim and Lainey Powell, landlord and landlady of the **Horse Inn** (formerly the White Horse Inn), are aiming to raise tens of thousands of pounds to send essential medical supplies to Ukraine. They planned to send their first consignment



to Poland in early April. There are several ways to donate to the appeal, including cash, bank transfer or an in-person donation at the pub. You may contact the pub by calling 01273 834717 and the bank account details are at thehorseinnhurst.co.uk

■ ICKLESHAM

The **Robin Hood** continues to support local breweries, featuring several amongst the



excellent ales on its six handpumps. Recently they were serving Mosaic Pale and Best Bitter by Three Acres, and Old Man from Long Man. In addition, up to 16 ciders are offered. The family owned pub, with its hop-bine decorated bar, and a display of coppers and brasses, serves very reasonably priced

quality food, and is well worth a visit if in the area.

■ LITTLEHAMPTON

The **Dolphin** has been closed since sometime in 2021. The **Steam Packet** was closed for much of the winter but appears to have reopened under existing management.

■ PETT

The **Royal Oak** continues to support local breweries by showcasing their wares. On their four handpumps two are usually from local sources. Recent choices have included Rother Valley's Level Best and OPM Pale, Kent's Breakfast and Sunset, and Long Man's Sussex Pride and Old Man - all in fine condition.



■ PORTSLADE

The **Stanley Arms** are taking part in this year's Ale Trail. Their website is thestanley.com and they also have a Facebook page.

■ RODMELL

The freehold of the Grade II listed **Abergavenny Arms** has been sold subject to contract, for £600,000.

■ RYE

The **Waterworks** micropub now brews its own ales at a local brewery. On the beer menu blackboard look for the WW CREW brewery and names like uRYEnal and Pee Shooter Best. The toilet puns are due to the Waterworks having been, in a previous life, public conveniences. As well as ten real ales, always at least five locally produced ciders are offered, so it's not surprising that the pub has just been voted Cider Pub of the Year by CAMRA's South East Sussex branch.

■ ST LEONARDS ON SEA

David Sansbury, landlord of the **Horse and Groom**, in Mercatoria, sadly died in February, age 68. He'd been running the pub for 27 years. In 2009 the pub was awarded a certificate for being in the CAMRA's *Good Beer Guide* for over ten years in a row. The pub has reopened and still offers up to four real ales. Tributes were paid by regulars in the local press, describing Dave as kind and friendly, and keeping an orderly pub.

The **Welcome** is now offering up to three local real ales.

The **Tower** held an excellent beer festival in February and remains very busy offering six real ales.

■ SOUTHWICK



Southwick Beer Engine is undergoing some refurbishment during April, with a new pump unit for craft keg

beers. They have a Platinum Jubilee beer festival from June 1st to 6th, including live music on the evenings of 2nd, 3rd, 4th & in the afternoon on 5th. See their website southwickbeerengine.co.uk for details. They are also taking part in this year's Brighton and South Downs Ale Trail.

■ STEYNING

The **Norfolk Arms**, a regional entry on the National Inventory of Historic Pub Interiors, closed during the pandemic lockdowns. The owners have now submitted a planning application for conversion to two separate residential properties.

■ THAKENHAM

The **White Lion Inn** has been closed since sometime in 2021 since its purchase by the owners of the Black Horse at Amberley. No timeline yet for when it might reopen.

■ WEST WITTERING

The **Old House at Home** has reopened as the Wittering. The two rooms to the left of the entrance have been brought back into use, and there is to be a bar with street food in the garden in the Summer. The real ale available is Long Man Best Bitter, but the emphasis, especially in the evening, is definitely on food.

The **Bell** opening times are now Mon-Tue, 5pm to midnight; Wed-Sat, 12-2pm and 5pm-midnight; Sun, 12-3pm and 6pm -1pm.

■ WICK

The **Dew Drop** Inn is reported as being for sale but continues to trade as usual.

■ WORTHING



The former general stores in High Salvington (at the top of Salvington Hill) has now re-opened

under the name **Refreshment Rooms**. It is described as a shop and micropub. The shop opens early, the bar opens later. It sells coffee and cake but also sells two cask beers (with local ales, Harveys and Bedlam recently) plus various keg beers, bottled beer and wine. It's dog friendly and has parking. For those walking on the downs it's a convenient refreshment stop, and a welcome addition in a beer desert. The number 7 bus stop is nearby.

The former **Castle Alehouse** in Newlands Road has now reopened with a new name **Toad in the Hole**, and is owned by Hand Brew Co. It had three casks ales and several craft keg beers recently, the cask ales from Hand Brew Co. The pub is named after the traditional pub game, and of course it has one, along with the Selden Arms and the Fox & Finch and Hand Brew Co's taproom. It is hoped to set up a Worthing league with other local pubs joining in.

Bru News

The Sussex Breweries Pages

Information here is generally supplied by the Brewery Liaison Officers (BLOs) named at the end of each report. BruNews is compiled by Roy Bray. A complete list of the breweries operating in Sussex, and their contact details, can be found on the [breweries](https://sussex.camra.org.uk/breweries) page on the Sussex branches website <https://sussex.camra.org.uk/breweries>

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East Hoathly

The brewery is keeping four beers available and will be brewing **Sacred Solstice** 4.3% and **Saint George** in the Spring. Favourites such as **Triple Champion**, **Signature** and **Laughing Frog** are available via call & collect. The Kings Head at East Hoathly, adjacent to the brewery, is open for food and the 1648 beers, with all details of availability plus hours of opening on the website.

BLO Barry Blewitt

360 DEGREES BREWING

Sheffield Park

The brewery resumed producing its full range of cask ales, including oatmeal stout, **Just Right** (4.5%), named in reference to the Goldilocks tale of tasting the bears' porridge. The brewery's on-site taproom is



now open afternoons & evenings on Friday and Saturday, with a rotating brand of food truck. Their own beers are served on gravity and handpump, but the shop sells a quality selection of canned craft: it's open Monday to Saturday. They hosted a CAMRA members' coach trip from Eastbourne Members' Weekend in April.

BLO Jason Phillips

ADUR

Steyning

Following a return to positive sales over recent months, at both Steyning and Shoreham Farmers markets, as well as various retail outlets, they are now brewing their Summer ranges of beer led by **Rope Tackle Gold**. They are also looking forward to the ever-popular Steyning Brewery Walk, planned for the end of May, final date to be advised.

BLO TBC

BALCOMBE

Balcombe

Balcombe brewery continues to supply the Half Moon in the eponymous village with their own craft ales. In March they produced a limited edition canned pale ale called **Budmo** in support of Ukraine.

BLO Paul Sanders

BATTLE

Battle

Battle Brewery continues to expand and improve with the addition of two new unitanks arriving in May. This will allow a brand new range of beers to be produced alongside the core range. Following a very popular CAMRA members' tour in early April, the on-site brewery bar at Beech Farm has reopened. Open Fridays noon-4 pm, and Saturdays noon-6 pm, offering two to three fresh cask beers plus bottles from the guest breweries featured in their High Street taproom. They continue to provide weekly home deliveries and are seeing new venues contacting them for beer every week. Their High Street taproom and bottle shop has been hugely successful and offers something for all tastes, showcasing their beers at their freshest. Children and dogs are also welcome at the High Street taproom which is open from 11am every day.

BLO Mac McCutcheon

BEDLAM

Ditching

Bedlam have experienced a fabulous start to the year and thank all you happy Sussex beer lovers for your continued support! **Phoenix Pale Ale** won GOLD at the recent SIBA National Awards, within the keg Session Pale Ale section: it's a truly popular and delicious session ale with widespread appeal. **Pilsner** and **Wilde East Coast Pale** both won Silver in the regional SIBA categories. You'll be able to enjoy Wilde in cask throughout the summer. This delicious, super-fruity beer explodes with passion fruit and just enough tropical juice character.

BLO Peter Mitchell

BREWHOUSE & KITCHEN

Horsham

The seasonal ale changes come into effect in June. **Saxon Warrior** golden ale increases to 5% abv, rather than 4.2%. **Comic Genius** cask IPA reduces to 4%, from 5%. The seasonal ale will be a citrus pale ale. Regarding keg brews, keg IPA will be 6% instead of 5%. The seasonal keg will be a New England IPA at 5.5%. If visiting the bar, CAMRA members can receive a discount on in-house brews.

BLO Terry Shouler

BREWING BROTHERS

Hastings

There is going to be crowdfunding to raise money for the establishment of a Tap Room at the Ivyhouse Lane brewery site.

The excellent Brickmakers Alehouse in Bexhill will soon have the **Coens NEIPA** available.

BLO Peter Page-Mitchell

BROLLY

Wisborough Green

The brewery isn't able to run the usual weekend sessions on the beer field but are instead running a number of sessions around the area. Brollyfest 2022 is happening on the 13th August with the usual mix of music, comedy and beer. The Billi Tap in Billingshurst has a full range of Brolly beers and if you have a Brolly Growler you can get discounted fills as well.

BLO Timothy Ayre

BRITHOP

Ringmer

BritHop is currently working on plans to open its own brewhouse & taproom in Ringmer (ex-Franklins site), address BritHop Brewing Company Ltd, Highfields Farm, The Broyle, Ringmer BN8 5AR. This is an active task and it means that production is not reliable at present (March 2022), indeed **Sweet Symphony** has been the only cask beer available at times. The recently added DDH IPA **Thirst for Knowledge** sold out very quickly, but the core range is likely to vary from what is suggested here once production resumes.

BLO TBC

CHAPEAU BREWING

Horsham

Two Chapeau brews were

sent to the 2022 CAMRA Members Weekend, **Freewheeler** and **Rouleur**.

There is one new beer to report: **Out of Steam** (4.5% abv), a lager-ale hybrid. Made like a traditional ale but with lager yeast. A beautiful golden colour with a harmony of hops and malt giving a refreshing, crisp finish.

BLO Paul Sanders

DOWNLANDS

Small Dole

We've read a lot of "cask is in decline" commentary on social media over the last month but Downlands' sales don't seem to be reflecting that at all. They have been incredibly busy brewing and delivering cask all over the South East since production restarted after the capacity upgrade. At the moment there is four times the amount of cask vs keg beer in tank.

BLO Peter Mitchell

GOLDMARK

Poling, nr Arundel

The brewery now has a bar area and shop where many of the beers can be purchased. Draught, bottled, cans and Mini Kegs are also available to take away from the shop which is open 10am-2pm Friday and Saturday. Monthly brewery tours on the last Saturday of the month can be booked through the website.

BLO Jim Waterston

GUN

Gun Hill, Heathfield

Brewery output has picked

up, after the lifting of COVID restrictions. The new brewhouse is largely plumbed in, and two new 9,000 litre tanks are in place. The rest of the fermentation tanks will come up from the old brewery as and when they are emptied. The brewery welcomes everyone to the new taproom, where you can enjoy a drink and admire the views: choose from Sussex Downland on one side or brewery production area on the other. See gunbrewery.co.uk for details.

BLO Barry Blewitt

HAND BREW CO

Brighton

The tyres have been well and truly kicked at the Hand in Hand's Tower brewery, where the Fudge Patch and the Hand Brew team collaborated on a **Fudge Porter**. Now that the brewery at the Hand in Hand pub is back up and running, they are planning a series of new brews throughout the year. Expect to hear more about these specials and seasonals - keep an eye on our socials for lots of photos and updates.

BLO Peter Mitchell

HARVEY'S

Lewes

The brewery remains very busy. In celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, and in collaboration with Court Garden Vineyard, Ditchling, they are producing a sparkling barley wine using **Elizabethan Ale**. An in-house canning plant is

planned. Vegan-friendly beers will become available. Harvey's arranged three separate brewery tours over the CAMRA Members' Weekend / AGM in Eastbourne in early April. They are also generously sponsoring the passports for the upcoming Summer Ale Trail and have kindly agreed to sponsor the glasses for the 24th Brighton and South Downs Beer and Cider Festival on 17 and 18 June at the Corn Exchange in Lewes.

BLO Ian Hodge

HEATHEN

Haywards Heath

Heathen supplied the bar at the CAMRA Members Weekend with a **Session IPA** and a **Vienna Lager**. They will also be supplying the South Downs Beer & Cider Festival at Lewes Town Hall in June, the beers for that event yet to be confirmed.

BLO Paul Free

HEPWORTH

North Heath

After the trials and tribulations of covid, the brewery is back in full swing with the brewery shop open from 10am every day (except Sunday) for takeaway and home deliveries. The **Right Stuff APA**, available in cask and 500ml bottle, was the winner of the GBFA (Great British Food Awards) Beer & Lager category and has subsequently been added to the range of core ales. Other new offerings are two low alcohol (0.5% ABV) offerings which are both vegan & gluten-free. **Spartan** ale and

Aztec organic lager (also a GBFA prize winner) are available in 500ml bottles. Brewery tours take place on the first Saturday of the month and can be booked via telephone on 01403 269696.

BLO Les Johnson

HORSHAM

Great news! **Roffey Rocket**, a one-off beer at a whopping 9.5%, is to be brewed again, alongside all the other favourites, such as

Normandy Weiss (a more subtle 4.5%, brewed with orange peel and coriander).

Check out Facebook, Instagram and the website for a full list of all the beers, available at the brewery on Thursdays and Fridays 5pm-9pm and Saturdays 10am-4pm. **HBC Best Bitter**

(4.2%) and **Carfax IPA** (6.0%) are also available in cans. Tim, Rohan and Lucy are pleased that Horsham Brewery is a finalist in the Horsham Life best brewery awards. There will be a special beer event with other local brewers at the Barn in the Causeway in Horsham RH12 1HE on Sat 9th July. Tickets on Brolly Brewery website.

BLO Nigel Bullen

KILN

Burgess Hill

After a two year pause due to COVID, Kiln are bouncing back and brewing again. New beers are being released and old favourites being revived over the coming months. The first new beer is an American

blonde, **Atomic** (4.2% abv) available in cask, this is being followed by an English pale ale, **Even Flow** (3.9%), made with all English malt and hops, again cask. The beer that started it all, pale ale **Boardwalk Transatlantic** (4.5%), is being re-released, brewed with English malt and American hops.

BLO Paul Free

LANGHAM

Lodsworth, Petworth

Langham are still busy up in Lodsworth, offering drive-thru pick ups, keeping everybody safe. New brews are released every week including test brews from the micro-kit: a sour could be next. Friday and Saturday are the most popular pick-up days with home delivery also provided. In the 'Hence.Mute.Lizards' one-off brews range, some unfined **Cry Wolf** (2.8%) may still be available and **Chestnut Ale** too. If you don't understand 'Hence.Mute.Lizards', it's the brewery's 'What3Words' SatNav code: useful if you need to call the emergency services in a hurry!

BLO Peter Luff

LONG MAN

Litlington

The new tanks have been installed to facilitate canning and expand the beer range. Following the successful a single hop beer **Mosaic Pale** (3.9% abv), April saw the launch of **New Zealand Pale**, a 4.8% floral session beer combining three hops - Nelson Sauvin, Kohatu and Rakau - with a light Munich

malt. Perfect as we begin to take our beer into the pub garden!

BLO Richard Scullion

ROTHER VALLEY

Northiam

Sales good. Three new beers planned for the summer.

BLO Dawn Lincoln

RIVERSIDE

Upper Beeding

There are new developments happening at the brewery whose beers will now be available at the popular Jazz Club at the Steyning Centre. For all jazz lovers this is a treat not to be missed. The brewery has established links with local football club Shoreham, who play in the Southern Combination Football League, as a sponsor and supplier of beer. A new assistant brewer, Louie, has recently joined the team. We wish him well for the future. Five litre mini kegs have been introduced for the ever popular Tangmere Tower and Tuns of Fun. An exciting new addition to the brewery's range is **Cuthman's Quaff**.

This is a rich, full bodied stout at a very quaffable 3.9% and is very Morris's for those who enjoy a fine stout. It is appropriately named after St. Cuthman of Steyning whose statue is prominently displayed in the village. By tradition he pushed his disabled mother many miles in a handcart before arriving in Steyning when presumably he was ready for a well deserved pint!

BLO Chris Payne

SUSSEX SMALL BATCH

Poling

A new brew **Bountiful Stout** was released late 2021. Collaborations are planned for 2022 with several local breweries.

BLO Colin Penniford

THREE ACRE

Blackboys,

The new 10bbl brewhouse was commissioned in late March, doubling the brew length. Production of keg beers has started but the brewery remains firmly committed to the cask market. Among the new beers planned for 2022 **English Pale** (3.5%) is already available with others to come, including **Hayloft Lager** (4.6%), **Mild** (3.2%), **Blood Orange Pale** (4.9%), and an as yet unnamed **Pilsner** (5%). In addition, production of a new series of experimental single batch beers is underway, the first being **Mighty Mosaic Pale** (Single Batch) (4%).

BLO John Quick

WATCHMAKER'S ARMS

Hove

After missing the last two years they are delighted to be back with their annual birthday beer festival! There will be ten casks pouring over the early May bank Holiday weekend as well as six real ciders and a couple of kegs. There are some absolute bangers lined up so look out for more updates through April.

BLO Peter Mitchell



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Spotlight on

BREWERIES

Bedlam Brewery Brighton Dome welcomes Bedlam Brewery as new bars partner



Award-winning local company Bedlam Brewery has been selected as the new brewery partner for Brighton Dome & Brighton Festival and will be on tap for gig-goers and visitors to Brighton Dome.

Bedlam Brewery will supply freshly brewed pilsners and ales to each of Brighton Dome's

two existing bars. The new partnership sees Bedlam Brewery join the venue at an exciting time as the ambitious capital redevelopment project continues to take shape. This will see an additional two new bars open in the beautifully restored Grade I listed Corn Exchange and Grade II listed Studio Theatre once the project is complete.



Maxine Hort, Director of Operations for Brighton Dome and Brighton Festival said: "We're

delighted to welcome Bedlam Brewery to Brighton Dome as our new bars partner. As an award-winning local Sussex company with a strong focus on sustainability,

community and diversity, we felt that they were the ideal fit for our venue. I'm sure their brews will be a big hit with our customers as part of a great night out at Brighton Dome."

Bedlam Brewery, based in Plumpton near Lewes, has a reputation for quality and has produced several award-winning beers. On tap at Brighton Dome will be Bedlam Pilsner, Benchmark Sussex Best Bitter, Wilde East Coast Pale Ale and Turtle Recall.

Danny Hoskins, Sales and Marketing Director at Bedlam Brewery said:

"We are thrilled to be working in partnership with Brighton Dome to supply brewery fresh beer and offer the best customer experience at one of Brighton's most iconic and creative venues. A first for Bedlam, we're producing tank fresh beer, direct from our brewery only a few miles away on a farm near Plumpton. We brew from our Solar Powered brewhouse and we're looking forward to working with Brighton Dome to explore ways to highlight and improve sustainability and community values and offer a quality, exciting experience."



KELP! #HelpOurKelp Porter - brewed to raise awareness and support of the Sussex Kelp Restoration Project



Kelp is not only healthy, sustainable and nutritious, but it's the special ingredient in the latest release from Sussex-based Bedlam Brewery.

The Bedlam team have a keen interest in the environment, the South Coast and marine life. Rob Shepherd, MD, has been fascinated by all things seaweed-related since early 2021 and Sally O'Connor, Communications Manager, is a year-round cold water and Channel Swimmer.

A day of excellent talks and presentations at the Sussex Kelp Restoration Project's first ever Kelp Summit in November 2021 included a film preview of 'The Man Who Loves Kelp' by Big Wave Productions (hopefully to be shown on BBC or channel Four). The footage included emotional documentary evidence from Eric Smith, underwater diver, about the dramatic loss of the once abundant kelp over time due to the devastating storms of 1987 followed by bottom-towed trawling gears leaving just a few small patches along the Sussex coast.

Following a successful campaign that was supported by many local residents as well as Sir David Attenborough, the Sussex Nearshore Trawling Byelaw was enacted in March 2021 banning bottom-towed trawling gears from the nearshore seabed off the Sussex coast.

The hope now is that the regeneration over time of Sussex's remarkable kelp forest will provide a home for hundreds of species just off the coastline, creating a vast habitat and marine ecosystem and furthermore help to sequester carbon in our fight against climate change. This was huge encouragement for the team at Bedlam Brewery to want to help bring kelp back!

Bedlam Brewery were thrilled when the attendees at the talks enjoyed a pilot brew of Kelp! #HelpOurKelp Porter so much so that they decided to release the beer in can and keg in support of this campaign.

A 5% porter brewed using organic, sustainably sourced Cornish kelp, which produces flavours of liquorice, salt and umami, alongside cacao nibs for a dark chocolate bitterness and fig which gives a round sweetness. A mix of five malts bring a smooth toffee and biscuit flavour base to this complex, dark and deliciously flavoursome beer.



Henri Brocklebank, Director of Conservation Sussex Wildlife Trust and Chair of Sussex Kelp Restoration Project said "At the end of a day of passionate and emotional

presentations, a glass of Bedlam Brewery's Kelp beer created a memorable finale for the day. It was really popular with attendees and we are delighted that Bedlam are continuing with this brew and donating 5% of the proceeds towards The Sussex Kelp Restoration Project."

Horsham Equinox Beer Festival weekend a big success

It felt great to be back at the Drill Hall in Horsham this March with the 8th North Sussex CAMRA Equinox Beer and Cider festival.



Our brilliant team of volunteers rose to the challenges thrown at them, and Festival Organiser Mike would like to thank each and every one for enabling the event to go ahead.

We tried a few things differently this year, notably using glasses from previous CAMRA events and replacing the usual programme with some simpler tasting notes. As well as making the event a bit greener, it also played a part in reducing the costs of the event, and helped us make a highly satisfactory surplus for CAMRA's campaigning activities.

We were delighted to be joined for the event by Kinsbrook vineyard from Thakeham, who seemed to very much enjoy themselves introducing festival goers to their wines and spreading news of their facilities at the vineyard.

The range of beers proved as popular as ever, with 42 of the 50 beers receiving votes for beer of the festival. We have a trip to Bristol to look forward to, to present the Dark beer award to New Bristol's Cinder Toffee Stout. The Light beer award stays in Sussex with a trip to Sheffield Park to present the certificate to 360 Degrees' Azacca pale.

Branch brewers again filled the runner up

spot in both categories, with Brolly's Coco de Moo pastry stout and Chapeau Echelon raspberry wheat beer taking those accolades.

Stringer's cider bar again featured an excellent range of Sussex ciders and perries.

We invited the Horsham and Crawley branch of the Samaritans to be our festival charity, and the donations of money and beer tokens raised over £840. Their presence and support was greatly appreciated, and thanks to all who donated.

With the hall planned to pass from the Council to the Royal British Legion, the future of the event is uncertain, but hopefully will return next March. Please pencil in March 24th & 25th 2023. We would like to offer our thanks and appreciation to hall supervisor, Rob Boole, for all the support he has given us over the years.

Cheers from CAMRA North Sussex branch

Bus to the Pub (Bttp)

Bus to the Pub is organised on a weekly basis, all the trips are on Thursdays, generally meeting at noon, usually visiting three pubs.

Max is the coordinator: "We mainly travel by train whilst buses are used as well. We visit various locations across Sussex but our core area is between Worthing & Lewes because of the high volume of great pubs with an excellent choice of great beers."

If you would like to be added to their mailing list, please contact whu@maxmalkin.plus.com or phone 01243 828394.

The Ale Trail is back!



The very popular Brighton and South Downs Ale Trail is back this summer after a two-year break. The trail runs from Thursday 2nd June through to the 30th September.

This year's theme is

Summer of the Pub as part of the branch's contribution to the National CAMRA campaign.

There are several rewards of Ale Trail t-shirts and sweatshirts for completing 20, 30 or 40 pubs. There is also a reward for completing the Cider Rider.

A launch will be held on Thursday 2nd June, the venue has yet to be decided. Details will be advertised nearer the time on the branch website.

For further information of pubs participating and where you can pick up a passport and start your trail and collecting pub stamps. Please check the branch website

<https://brighton.camra.org.uk>

Enjoy!

Belgium Trip

Sean Burke (Brighton & South Downs CAMRA) is asking for people to join him on a trip:

Open invitation to travel to Belgium from May 16th to 21st May via Eurostar staying in Antwerp and Bruges.

Contact: - Sean Burke. Email seangburke1962@gmail.com

Bev Robbins Shield (Beer of the Festival, Bluebell Railway)



On Saturday 4th December the presentation of the Bev Robbins Shield and Beer of the Festival certificates were made by the Brighton & South Downs Branch of CAMRA to Heathen Brewers, at the Hop Sun Taproom, Haywards Heath. Previously the Bev Robbins Shield has been awarded to the Sussex beer gaining the most votes at the Sussex Branches Beer Festival (latterly held at Brighton Racecourse). This time it was decided to award it to the brewery that won the most votes at the Bluebell Railway Beer Festival which was jointly run with the Sussex CAMRA Branches.

Heathen Imperial Stout won both the best Dark Beer Category and best Overall Beer of the Festival, therefore deservedly was awarded the Bev Robbins Shield. The event was attended by CAMRA members from several Sussex Branches and even a couple from the Isle of Man! Also in attendance was the Haywards Heath Town Mayor, Howard Mundin, his consort Margaret Baker and the MP for Mid Sussex, Mims Davies.



The Certificate and Shield were presented by Brighton & South Downs Branch Chairman Jason Phillips, and Heathen Brewery Liaison Officer Paul Free to the Heathen Head Brewer Mark Balcombe.



PRESSING NEWS

Battle Cider

Opening the first Cider Bar in East Sussex



Brothers Matt and Jem (Jeremy) Eldridge started Battle Cider. Here's Matt's introduction: 'How do you fancy making some cider?' I asked my brother. 'How do we do that?' he answered.

'We find some local apples and use the kit that's stored in my mate's garage, from when I used to make it up in Cambridgeshire', I said. 'Then what?', he asked. 'We sell some of it on a stand at the local Medieval Fayre and drink the rest', I stated. 'Sounds like a good idea', he said with a smile.

That was summer 2016. Battle Cider have long since moved out of the garage into a barn and stepped up production from 300 to 4000 litres, which this year will increase to almost 7000. They still make the cider in the same way, pressing local apples, then wild yeast fermenting and maturing the cider in French oak wine barrels. Nothing is added to the cider, so there's no 'diet coke' aftertaste you might detect if artificial sweetener is added. The natural taste of the apples does the talking. A core range of four ciders is complemented with three or four seasonal specials.

Battle Cider's newly opened bar, in Battle High Street, is certainly the only cider bar in East Sussex, and possibly the only 'High Street' cider bar in the South East. You can always find at least three of the core range on draught, with their full range available in bottles.

The final word goes to Matt. "We are not sure what the future holds for Battle Cider, more cider for sure, maybe bigger premises, a website, another bar, employing



having fun and that's the most important thing. Cheers!"

Currently the bar at 35A High Street is open on Fridays and Saturdays, 12 to 7, but as the weather improves will be open longer, check their facebook page ([BattleOrganicCider](https://www.facebook.com/BattleOrganicCider)).

staff (that's a scary thought), who knows - but the cider still tastes good and we are still

Phil Packham

South East Sussex Branch

South East Sussex Branch – Cider Pub of The Year tour February 2022

In recent years the branch has moved from holding a vote for its Cider Pub of the Year (CPotY) at a branch meeting to visiting a number of shortlisted cider pubs, and then voting after those visits. It's the same way that the branch Pub of the Year (PotY) is selected.

The branch is fortunate to have a number of pubs selling high quality real cider. CAMRA recently strengthened the definition of real cider, principally ruling out the use of concentrated apple juice. This means that a number of pubs can no longer be considered to offer real cider, mainly those that only sold ciders from Westons and Thatchers.

Nevertheless, a shortlist of four pubs was agreed: the Albion, Hastings; the Brickmaker's Alehouse, Bexhill; the Jolly Fisherman, Hastings and the Waterworks, Rye. The strength of this shortlist is borne out by the fact that two previous winners of the Branch CPotY award, the Tower, St. Leonards and the George in Hailsham, could not get onto the shortlist this time.

Despite the best efforts of Storm Eunice to put us off, causing a one-week postponement, a group of members visited all four pubs, by public transport, on 26th February.

An eclectic mix of ciders were enjoyed at all four locations. Ciders from Sussex and Kent, including from Ascension, Hunts of Sedlescombe, Nightingale and Wise Owl were enjoyably sampled, as well as ciders from further away, such as Celtic Marches (Worcester), Pulpt (Somerset) and Ross-on-Wye!



Sampling and scoring in Waterworks, Rye

Scoring is based on the same principles as the PotY vote with a number of categories to ensure the breadth and depth of the pub and cider offer was tested. Quality of cider as well as knowledge and promotion of the



A likely looking bunch outside the Albion in Hastings

product carry a premium weighting. Not that we had to worry about any quality issue as the scores at all four pubs exceeded *Good Beer Guide* standards.

The results were close but there has to be a winner, so this year the award went to the Waterworks in Rye with the Brickmaker's Alehouse, Bexhill, a very close runner-up. The current holder of the award, the Jolly Fisherman in Hastings, was only a few points behind.

In summary, it was an enjoyable day visiting four welcoming pubs to sample some familiar and unusual ciders. Members from other branches should always find something of interest should they visit any of them.

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Pub of the Year 2022. Winner, Selden Arms, Lyndhurst Rd, Worthing. Highly Commended, Brookstead Alehouse, South Farm Rd, Worthing. There were no nominations for either Cider Pub or Club of the Year.

Brighton & South Downs



In March, members and regulars helped to celebrate the Hole in the Wall, Brighton, being crowned as our very-well deserved branch Pub of the Year. An excellent evening was had by all.



Chairman, Jason Phillips presenting the certificate and trophy to Jim Paine and his team



A few days later, members assembled at the Watchmaker's Arms, Hove, for a double celebration.

The pub won the accolade of both branch Cider Pub of the Year as well as being Runner-Up Pub of the Year – a fantastic achievement.



Chairman, Jason Phillips and Adrian Heft (PotY organiser) presenting the certificate to Ali and Dave



The team at the Watchmakers Arms, with Ali on the left and Dave on the right



Last, but no means least, the Brewer's Arms in Lewes was also voted as joint Runner-Up PotY – very well done! At the time of writing, the presentation was yet to happen (it is scheduled for mid-April), but more details and photos

can be found on our branch website Brighton & South Downs CAMRA. Very well done to all three pubs.

Graham Eaton

Press & Publicity Officer, Brighton & South Downs CAMRA

North Sussex

CAMRA North Sussex has awarded its Pub of the Year shield this year to the Brewery Shades in Crawley, which wins the award for the first time.

The pub has been a jewel on Crawley's High Street for beer and cider lovers for many years, under the stewardship of Nicki Cheek and her team, and after being a runner-up lots of times, this year they get their hands on the shield, as well as completing the double by retaining the Cider Pub of the Year award.

The branch AGM will be held at the pub on Tuesday May 10th, from 7:30pm, giving us the perfect chance to toast their success.

The branch would like to give a huge thank you to Simon Johnson, landlord of the White Horse in Maplehurst, who has beautifully enlarged the shield for us, enabling us to use it for many years to come.

In a close competition, the runners up this year were the Malt Shovel in Horsham and the Engine Room in East Grinstead.



In the photo are a delighted Nicki and her son Ben, being presented with the shield and certificates by an equally delighted regional director, Paul Sanders.

North East Sussex

Pub of the Year: Hare & Hounds, Framfield.

Cider Pub of the Year: Kings Head, East Hoathly

South East Sussex

Pub of the Year: Brickmaker's Alehouse, Bexhill.

Runner Up: Hurst Arms, Eastbourne.

Cider Pub of the Year: Waterworks, Rye.
Runner Up: Brickmaker's Alehouse, Bexhill.

Club of the Year: Albatross (RAFA) Club, Bexhill.

Western Sussex

Pub of the Year: Hornet Ale House, Chichester.

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Montreal Arms, Brighton

Following a failed Crowdfunder attempt to renovate the Albion Hill pub so that Ukrainian refugees could be housed there. Property developer Charlie Southall hired builders to remove the historic United Brewer green tiles from the frontage of the building, an action that was called by Brighton Pavilion MP Caroline Lucas “utter vandalism”.

By 4pm that same day Brighton Council had issued a stop notice, but by then large sections of the tiles had been destroyed. Local residents have been dismayed by this action.

The previous owner The Stonegate group had applied to remove the tiles last year as reported in a previous edition of *Sussex Drinker*, but the application was withdrawn after objections.

A leaflet handed out to people asking why the tiles had been removed stated that many of the tiles were beyond repair, blaming the previous owner for cutting through the glazing and nailing through the tiles as well there being large sections of missing, cracked and heavily weathered tiles.

It also states that is no formal protection to the locally listed building and the owner do not need to apply for listed building consent to change the property.



Adrian Craig Towler



Adrian passed away on 3rd March 2022, aged 71.

“A lovely man with a slightly unconventional way of operating”

Adrian was a much valued active member of CAMRA. Not just for his branch (Brighton & South Downs) but across Sussex.

He was involved in many Beer Festivals but most noticeably stepping in to keep Amberley

beer festival going when most needed.

Adrian had edited the *Sussex Drinker* and then went on to manage the distribution of 10,000 copies every quarter for many, many years.

Adrian was our branch Social Secretary and was, although quietly spoken, a very friendly and sociable individual.

He gave his time freely to good causes and was part of the Committee that created The Bevy Community Pub.

His funeral was held on 22nd March and was attended by many CAMRA members in respect of one of our great volunteers.

Jason Phillips

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12-15 May Yapton Beer Festival,
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14 May Kissingate Brewery, Lower Beeding - Spring Festival noon-8pm, 14 beers, cider, full bar and BBQ

20-22 May Eastbourne Beer and Cider by the Sea, Western Lawns Eastbourne, for details and tickets see visiteastbourne.com/beer-festivals.

27 May Southwick Beer Festival at Southwick Community Centre. See <https://www.facebook.com/southwickbeerfestival/> for more details

1-6 Jun Southwick Beer Engine, Southwick - Platinum Jubilee Beer Festival, including Live Music. See southwickbeerengine.co.uk for details.

2 Jun Brighton & South Downs Ale Trail - Commences on the 2nd of June. See page 21 and brighton.camra.org.uk for more details.

2-5 Jun Robertsbridge Club Jubilee Beer Festival, Robertsbridge Club, Station Road, Robertsbridge, TN32 5DB. See Facebook for more details.

3-5 Jun Crown Inn, Newick - Beer & Cider Festival, see page 25.

3-5 Jun Glastonwick Beer Festival at Church Farm, Coombes.

16-19 Jun Wilkes Head, Eastergate - Ale, Cider & Gin Festival, see page 27.

17-18 Jun Lewes Beer Festival, Town Hall, Lewes - **23rd South Downs Beer and Cider Festival.** See pages 2-3.

17-18 Jun Worthing Football Club, Worthing - Midsummer Beer Festival. Organised by Highdown Rotary Club. See page 17 and highdownrotarybeerfestival.co.uk.

18-19 Jun West's Wood Fair, East Dean. Real ale, food, live music. See www.westswoodfair.co.uk.

9 Jul The Barn, Causeway, Horsham - Summer Bash, Horsham Brewers Collective. Tickets from www.brollybrewing.co.uk/events

13 Aug Brollyfest Beer and Music festival, Wisborough Green, 1-10pm. Tickets and details from www.brollybrewing.co.uk/events.

20 Aug Live@Langhams2022, Langham Brewery, 1pm-10.30pm. Beer and music fest; six live acts; street food.

26-29 Aug Crown Eastbourne - Summer Beer Festival, see page 17.

7-8 Oct Eastbourne Beer Festival, Winter Garden, for details see visiteastbourne.com/beer-festivals.

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PotY: Selden Arms, Worthing

CPotY: none; COTY: none

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Beer Festival: South Downs, Lewes, 17-18 June 2022

PotY: Hole in the Wall, Brighton

CPotY: Watchmaker's Arms, Hove; CotY: none

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Beer Festival: Spring Equinox, 2023 TBC

PotY: Brewery Shades, Crawley;

CPotY: Brewery Shades, Crawley; CotY: none

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PotY: Hare & Hounds, Framfield;

CPotY: King's Head, East Hoathly; CotY: none

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Beer Festival: TBC

PotY: Brickmaker's Alehouse, Bexhill;

CPotY: Waterworks, Rye;

CotY: Albatross Club (RAFA), Bexhill on Sea

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Beer Festival: TBC

PotY: Hornet Ale House, Chichester; CPotY: none

CotY: none

*PotY: Pub of the Year; CPotY: Cider Pub of the Year;

CotY: Club of the Year



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PILS & KELLERBIER
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