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Hop Off The Press



I would like to start by wishing our new branch Chairperson, Dan Scott every success for his 2017/18 year in office. Hopefully the branch will support him fully.

Congratulations goes to the following:

Vernon Shutler of Countryman Cider, Milton Abbot for winning Gold in the CAMRA National Championships.

Jon Clargo of Tavy Ales for winning Bronze in the Porters category at the CAMRA Champion Winter Beer of Britain Competition and Silver in the Porters, Stouts and Old Ales category at SIBA Southwest Competition at Tuckers Maltings.

I hope you enjoy reading the articles about about the awards in this edition.

We are always looking for articles to be submitted for future editions of Drakes Drinker.

Please have fun on your visits to the many hostelries in our branch area and beyond.

Please drink responsibly.



National Cider and Perry Championships name winners

Cider and perry lovers rejoice: the Campaign for Real Ale has scoured the length and breadth of the nation to find the best out there so you don't have to. After more than a year of local tasting panels and regional heats (good job, if you can get it), the National Cider and Perry Championships named the top of the crop at the Reading Beer and Cider Festival.

Countryman, Medium was a big winner, taking home the Gold in the cider category after impressing judges with its floral aroma, pleasant sharpness and refreshing taste.

Nempnett, Piglet's Perry scooped Gold in the perry category, with judges remarking that it had a well-balanced sweet taste with a dry finish.

'The competition has shown that the quality of the real cider and perry continues to improve, and also demonstrates the standard of cider and perry being produced throughout Britain,' Andrea Briers, CAMRA National Cider and Perry Committee chairman, said.

To be in with a chance to win, each cider and perry had to impress judges with its individual taste, aroma, flavour, after-taste and overall appeal. To make a refreshing change, both experienced and novice judges were selected to dish out the top awards.

Speaking after the big win, Keith Balch of Nempnett said: 'We're delighted to hear that we've won Gold, it's absolutely brilliant. This is the big award that everyone wants to win.'

More than 550 beers and 150 ciders and perries, plus a selection of foreign beers, wines and mead were on offer at the Reading Beer and Cider Festival held at Christchurch Meadows in Caversham.

Cider

Gold – Countryman, Medium (Devon)

Silver – Salt Hill, Autumn Gold (Berkshire)

Bronze – Gwatkin's, Captain Gwatkin's Rum Cask (Herefordshire)

Perry

Gold – Nempnett, Piglet's Perry (Somerset)

Silver – Waulkmill, Mooseheid Perry (Dumfriesshire)

Bronze – Hartland, Perry (Gloucestershire)



BRANCH DIARY & EVENTS

Here is the branch diary of meetings and socials for the next few months. All meetings start at 20:00 pm unless indicated otherwise. Please contact our Branch Contact, **Ian Daniels**, contact@plymouth.camra.org.uk or **01822 616861**, or **Andy Richardson**, our Social Secretary, onsocials@plymouth.camra.org.uk or **07546 937596** for further details.

For details of Regional Events, members are asked to sign in and see Members' Area.

Pub Crawl - Yelverton Area

Saturday 27th May 2017

10:10 am Rock Inn

To get the Bank Holiday off to a good start, we are using public transport to visit several pubs around Yelverton.

From Plymouth, meet at the bus stop outside the Brass Monkey, Royal Parade, by 1010, to catch the Stagecoach bus X1 (depart 1025, arrive Yelverton 1056).

From Tavistock, meet at the bus station by 1030 for the Stagecoach No 1 (depart 1045, arrive Yelverton 1103).

Alight at Yelverton and then transfer to the Target Travel 55 bus for the 1120 to the Drake Manor Inn, Buckland Monochorum. We will then walk about 1 1/2 miles to the Who'd Have Thought It Inn, Milton Combe. For those unable to walk, remain at the Drake Manor and catch the bus (at 1331) back to Yelverton. We will then catch the bus from Milton Combe (at 1339) back to Yelverton. Change to the Target Travel 56 at 1355 to alight at the Royal Oak Inn, Meavy, and return to Yelverton on the 1640, waiting for the return buses in the Rock Inn, Yelverton.

Buses back to Plymouth or Tavistock are readily available from Yelverton.

Plympton Pub Crawl

Wednesday 7th June 2017

7:00 pm London Inn

A pub crawl of Plympton will start at the London Inn, 8, Church Road, Plympton, PL7 1NH, at 1900, followed a gentle stroll around Plympton.

Branch Social

June 2017 Wednesday 5th July 2017

8:00 pm Horse & Groom

Branch Social will take place at the Horse & Groom, Exeter Road, Bittaford, PL21 0EL, at 2000.

THE AMAZING CIDER-MAN

In this edition the Amazing Cider-Man identifies some of the outlets where cider can be purchased.

“O cider, where art thou?” I once said to myself whilst wandering forlornly on the outskirts of the metropolis that is Yealmpton. It was early summer and, not for the first time, I needed a drink.



I needed nectar; that sweet juice from the Gods that would halt a thousand men in their tracks so that they might guzzle frantically from the flagon. Oh to be cleansed from within by the golden fountain!

And there it was..... The Riverford Farm shop. The answer to my dreams! I hurried in, wearing the grin of a three – armed Frenchman and immediately sniffed out the precious cider selection.

I settled on three litres of Sheppey’s Farmhouse. This was consumed in haste by the bowling green. Never has watching bowls been so much fun! Alas, I was “caught short” on the way home and as I stumbled into my landlady’s pantry, my jeans hot with urine, I uttered the words of the late Windsor Davies.....

I digress. The point of this article is to make you aware of some of the places where one can buy scrumpy cider. Of course, there’s nothing better than drinking it in a pub but sometimes it’s nice to indulge at home.

Cider producers are a good start. In the Plymouth CAMRA branch area we have two fine ones. Countryman (just outside Milton Abbot) is to be found within a rambling 15th century coaching inn. The owner, a magnificent fellow by the name of Vernon, is very friendly and so are the ciders.

On the other side of the branch area is Creber's Rock, which is on the outskirts of South Brent. They sell a field scrumpy and also a very nice Normandy style cider.

Just to be on the safe side, it's always a good idea to give producers a call before you make the journey. You want to make sure there will be somebody to serve you when you arrive!

You can check out other cider producers by looking at the Plymouth CAMRA website.

Good cider can be found at any local farmers markets or food festivals. The Plymouth Flavour Fest is interesting and this year it is being held from 2nd to 4th June.

Shops of note are the Vessel Beer shop on Plymouth's Exeter Street, Roots and Vines on Tavistock's West Street and the mighty Darts Farm Shopping Village just outside Topsham.

Happy hunting and see you in Cyderspace!

The Amazing Cider-Man



Plymouth Summer Homebrew Competition

Saturday 1st July
Judging from 1300, Winners announced from 1700



The Fortescue, Plymouth

Entry Requirements: 2 x 330ml-1L bottles (PET or Glass accepted).

Entry forms will be available on the day

If you are unable to attend on the day, brews can also be submitted beforehand to:

The Hop Shop, Dale Road, Plymouth, PL4 6PE.

Please e-mail homebrewersplymouth@gmail.com for an entry form.

Entry Categories

Beers will be entered and judged in line with SIBA Classification:

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HOMEBREWERS OF PLYMOUTH



Andrea Briers, Chair of the Cider & Perry Campaigns Committee (aka APPLE) talks about the bag-in-box phenomenon.

Quality Real Cider in Pubs - From Simple Beginnings

Since I discovered real cider at my first CAMRA beer festival in the late 80's the availability of the product in pubs has dramatically increased. At the time the nearest pubs to me where I could enjoy a real cider or perry were around 50 miles away in Norwich or Cambridge, and there were only one or two pubs there where it was available.

Thankfully it is a very different situation now, with not only most real cider drinkers being able to find a pub nearby where they can enjoy their favourite tippie, but the number of producers has also increased with most areas of the country having at least a few that they could call local.

One reason for the increase in availability of real cider in pubs is, no doubt, the fact that they can buy it in a bag-in-box. This means that the producers don't have to get their tubs back and there is less likelihood of spoilage due to the air getting in to the container in which the cider is kept. It is also much easier for a pub to keep a box at the back of the bar than a tub.

Whilst the cider in a box is unlikely to spoil due to air getting in to it, it still

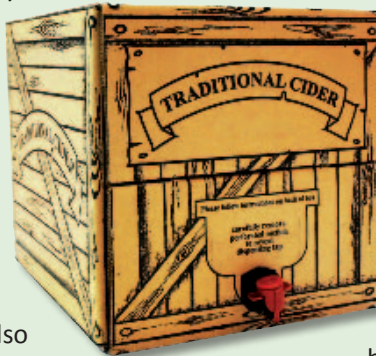
needs some care and one of the most common problems that I come across is cider that has not been kept at the right temperature. You may find it convenient just to put your box of cider on the bar and leave it there but you are very likely to find that, unless you are selling it very quickly, the quality of the cider will deteriorate. In fact, I have spoken to at least one producer who has refused to sell his cider to a pub which does this because he was worried about the quality of his cider at point-of-sale.

So, what temperature should you keep your cider at? Real cider is best kept at cellar temperature. I realise that it is not possible for all pubs to keep their cider in the cellar at all times

but, if you can find a way of overcoming this problem, the quality is likely to be better and it could reduce wastage due to cider going off. One of the ways some pubs deal with this is they only have the boxes on the bar during the hours that they are open.

Hopefully having good quality real cider available for customers throughout the country will give more people the opportunity to visit their local pub and enjoy a product that has been produced in Britain for many years.

Andrea Briers



Pub & Brewery News



March 2017 Pub and Brewery News Wednesday 1st March 2017

The following pub and brewery news was reported at the branch meeting on Wednesday 1st March 2017.

The **CAMRA** Discount Scheme enables pubs to promote their business to our members easily, and to hopefully encourage more trade. The discount given will be advertised free of charge in our branch magazine, **Drake's Drinker**, as well as on this website **CAMRA** Discount Scheme and the National **CAMRA** website. We can also provide posters to advertise the offer to visitors. If you are the licensee of a pub and are interested of taking part in this scheme, please contact our Pubs Campaigns Coordinator, at pubnews@plymouth.camra.org.uk

The pub discount information has been notified to Plymouth **CAMRA** and is given in good faith, but is liable to change at short notice. Some discounts may be modified or restricted when special promotions are on offer.

Pub News

There have been no Cask Marque changes to the official list of pubs by Cask Marque in the Plymouth area this month; due to retirement, the **Morley Arms** is having a leaving do for the current tenant at 2.00 pm on Sunday 26th March. The pub will subsequently close if another tenant or manager is not found; the **Slug & Lettuce** has closed for refurbishment until the end of March; the **Warren House Inn**, Postbridge, is closed for minor refurbishment until the end of next week (Sunday 12th March); & the **White Thorn Inn**, Shaugh Prior, now has ACV status. Post meeting note: **Noah's Ark**, City Centre, has reopened and has joined the **CAMRA** Discount Scheme, giving a 10% discount on real ale, except Greene King IPA – thank you very much !

Brewery News

Tavy Ales Porter won Bronze in the Porter category at the **CAMRA** National Winter Ales Festival in February 2017; Penpont Brewery is brewing again, although the beer range is unknown; the SW BLC reported that there are 200 breweries in the South West; 105 BLOs signed off their tasks which left 77 for the SW BLC to deal with, plus 24 breweries with no appointed BLO; & Bob Holmes has volunteered to be the BLO for Bale Ale at Brentor.

Many, many congratulations to Jon and all at Tavy Ales on the achievement of being awarded Bronze Medal (third place) in the National Winter Ales Festival for Tavy Porter in the Porter Category – A truly great achievement!

We would like to wish all new licensees all the very best in their new ventures, and to wish Ray all the very best of luck on his retirement from the **Morley Arms**.

February 2017 Pub and Brewery News Wednesday 1st February 2017

The following pub and brewery news was reported at the branch meeting on Wednesday 1st February 2017.

Pub News

There have been no Cask Marque changes to the official list of pubs by Cask Marque; **Porters**, Looe Street, Barbican, no longer offers a **CAMRA** discount; the **Noah's Ark** is to close mid-February to mid-March for refurbishment; the **Boringdon Arms** recently had a beer festival with seven extra beers; the **Boringdon Arms**, Turnchapel, **Horse & Groom**, Bittaford, **Clovelly Bay Inn**, Turnchapel, **Minerva Inn**, Barbican, **Who'd Have Thought It Inn**, Milton Combe, **Prince Maurice**, Egguckland, and the **Dolphin Hotel**, Barbican, all have beer festivals in the next two months; the **Dolphin Inn** in Kingston has a new manager; the **Swan Inn** in Noss Mayo has new tenants – the beer garden will re-open at Easter; & the **Forest Inn** at Hexworthy has re-opened.

Brewery News

Stannary Brewery is expanding from 300 to 800 litre run. They are also supplying two more pubs since Christmas. Summerskills is releasing a new Summerskills Stout (4.4%). **CAMRA** have decided to change the way in which the "CAMRA Says This Is Real Ale" for bottle conditioned beers is verified. Basically, the brewery are responsible for sending the bottled beer(s) to Brew Lab in Sunderland, along with a cheque for £15.00 to cover the technical issues involved in testing the beer for fermentable products. One bottle of each beer is sufficient for testing. The brewery should contact **CAMRA** head office in the first instance for full details on **01727 867201** and speak to reception.

We would like to wish all new pubicans all the very best in their new ventures.



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MAL DE MER

Happy, happy, happy! And so it was in the beginning. A little expedition by sea to Kingsand and Cawsand on a lovely sunny windless day. Doris, Mal, and I set out from the Stonehouse creek next to the Victualling Office Tavern where they serve a fine pint of Bass and Tribute. The landlord, Gerry, kindly photographed our departure. You will see from the photograph that in addition to Doris we are accompanied by a Walker Bay 10 rowing boat which has a significant role to play in our travels.



The travellers commence their journey

And so we set off an hour before HW for Kingsand/Cawsand, Doris taking the plane after crossing the Bridge. There was plenty of water at our destination and I was able to set Mal ashore at the steps. I then took Doris round to Cawsand bay and anchored her, and I then went ashore in the Walker Bay which we carried up the beach, it being important at all times, as I explained to Mal, to remain dry.



The Cross Keys

As you come off the beach you are immediately greeted by the Cross Keys where they serve Tribute, Dartmoor Legend and Best. I spoke to the landlord Geoff who kindly explained his meticulous pipe cleaning and beer keeping procedures, which I can assure you work as his beers were of the finest quality. Mal confirmed that the Guinness was excellent.

At this point it appeared that Mal was having difficulty orientating himself as he assured me that the next pub was up the hill from Cross Keys. I knew it

was not, but to humour him we walked up the hill to find no pub. It turned out that Mal thought he was in Millbrook instead of Cawsand. Having corrected this misapprehension we then made our way up the next hill to the Rising Sun where they serve Rame Head cider but I can't remember the beers as I have lost my notes – the one I had was great. Mal was able to confirm that the Guinness was excellent.



Guess which pub?



No prizes for guessing this one

And so to the Halfway House, where again we had a warm welcome. I had a superb pint of Tim Taylor's Landlord (as recommended by Madonna) whilst Mal had a Bacardi and Coke which he considered to be very good value. I can't tell you what other beers were on offer because of the lost notes. We also sampled a little Cornish speciality, navy rum and shrub on the rocks.

The last pub is the Devonport Inn on the north end of the sea front, The Cleave. A great welcome yet again. Lost notes routine for the beers on offer but the one I had was excellent. Mal was able to give a good report on the house white and coke.

Time to end our trip. The tide was still sufficiently high to enable Mal to board Doris from the steps, and of course that is what we should have done. We still needed to carry the Walker Bay down to the water so over to Cawsand beach. A lovely calm sea. At this point I should explain that Mal is a retired Royal Marine, and so has great expertise in the art of landing and leaving the shore by boat. Mal said should he go round to the steps? As captain, I considered the conditions suitable for launching the Walker Bay with both of us in it from the beach, against Mal's better judgement. I held the bow and Mal got in and sat at the blunt end. I got the boat as far in as I could while keeping my feet dry. I then decided that the most effective way of getting into deeper water was to dive into the boat which I did with alacrity. The next thing was that I had a strange sensation

of being underwater. The reason for this was that I was under water, and so was Mal. We quickly adjusted to our new environment and stood on the bottom knee deep but fully soaked. We were then able to walk to Doris without the assistance of the Walker Bay. Mal's fags were US but everything else was OK including the mobile phones. We went back to Stonehouse and I dropped Mal off at the Cremyll ferry hard. All at The Vine appeared amused at our soggy appearance. A loyal toast to Cornwall and the day was done.



And yes, it's the Devonport Inn

Lessons learned: -

1. You can have a jolly good day out in Kingsand/Cawsand where there is lots to do and 4 top pubs with top and varied beers. The villages are easily reached from Plymouth by the ferry that goes from the Barbican
2. A Walker Bay is a tippy boat and should be entered carefully.
3. Mal is sometimes right.

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Brass Monkey Royal Parade, City Centre, Plymouth, PL1 1DS, where the discount is **10%/pint**

Bread & Roses 62 Ebrington Street, City Centre, Plymouth, PL4 9AF, where the discount is **10%/pint**

Dolphin Hotel 14, The Barbican, Plymouth, PL1 2LS, where the discount is **15p/pint**

Fishermans Arms Lambhay Hill, Barbican, PL1 2NN, where the discount is **10%/pint, 20% on food**

Fortescue Hotel Mutley Plain, Plymouth, PL4 6JQ, where the discount is **10%/pint, and on half pint**

Golden Hind Mannamead Road, Plymouth, PL3 5RJ, where the discount is **10%/pint, and on half pint**

Horse & Groom Exeter Road, Bittaford, Ivybridge, PL21 0EL, where the discount is **10%/pint**

Minerva Inn 31, Looe Street, Barbican, Plymouth PL4 0EA* **See below**

Noah's Ark 32A, Courtney Street, City Centre, Plymouth PL1 1EP, where the discount is **10%/pint** on Guest Beers (not Greene King IPA)

Nowhere Inn Gilwell Street, City Centre, Plymouth, PL4 8BU, where the discount is **10%/pint**

Olde Plough Inn Fore Street, Bere Ferrers, PL20 7JG, where the discount is **10%/pint**, for both real ale and cider

Stoke Inn Devonport Road, Stoke, Plymouth, PL3 4DL, where the discount is **10%/pint**

Tamar Morshead Road, Crownhill, Plymouth, PL6 5AD, where the discount is **10%/pint**

Waterloo Inn 30, Waterloo Street, Stoke, PL1 5RS, where the discount is **10%/pint**

Who'd Have Thought It Inn Milton Combe, Yelverton, PL20 6HP, where the discount is **6%/pint**

W Britannia Inn 2 Wolseley Road, Milehouse, Plymouth, PL2 3BH

W Gog & Magog Southside Street, Barbican, Plymouth, PL1 2LA

W Mannamead Mutley Plain, Plymouth, PL4 6JH

W Queen's Head Hotel 80 West Street, Tavistock, PL19 8AQ

W Stannary Court Ridgeway, Plympton, PL7 2AW

W Union Rooms Union Street, City Centre, Plymouth, PL1 2SU



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* Minerva Inn offers a discount on all real ales via a monthly Loyalty Card, which costs £1.00. The card is valid between 1130 - 1500 Mon - Fri. Real ales are then £3.00/pint.

W prefix applies to all JD Wetherspoon outlets which accept CAMRA Member vouchers for both real ale and real cider/perry – please check the reverse of the voucher to check that it is still in date!

Information correct on 8th May 2017

PRESS RELEASE

Black Tor Brewery launches beer to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Devon Air Ambulance



Black Tor Brewery based in Christow, Dartmoor National Park have launched a special new beer to celebrate 25 years service of the Devon Air Ambulance and raise money for the charity by donating 10p for every pint/bottle sold.

Down Draught 4% ABV, a refreshing and easy drinking amber bitter will be available in pubs across Devon from now until November and bottles available from May at farm shops, hotels, restaurants and off-licenses.

Jonathon Crump, award-winning brewer and Director of Black Tor Brewery said, "I am very excited and proud to be involved with the 25th anniversary celebrations of Devon Air Ambulance, and hope that Downtraught is well supported by local pubs and enjoyed by real ale drinkers to raise funds for such an important and essential local charity."



Caroline Creer, Fundraising Director of Devon Air Ambulance said, "What a great way to celebrate 25 years of service by having a pint of Down Draught! Huge thanks to Jonathan and the team at Black Tor Brewery for creating this special brew and for their continued support. If you have a pub or club which stocks ale why not get on board and sell Down Draught to help us celebrate our 25th anniversary."

Black Tor Brewery is a family run brewery with a growing reputation for consistently great tasting beers, handcrafted in small batches using only the finest whole-flower hops and British grown

barley, they produce circa 10,000 pints a week with plans afoot to increase this by building a larger new brewplant having acquired premises next door.

If you would like to stock Down Draught in your establishment in either cask or bottle, contact Black Tor Brewery by calling **01647 252120** or emailing **beer@blacktorbrewery.com**





It has been a very successful year so far for local Devon brewery Tavy Ales, based just on the outskirts of Plymouth.

TAVY ALES

As well as achieving yet another award at this year's South West Independent Beer Competition held at Tuckers Maltings in Newton Abbot, the brewery has also clinched its first National Award. Tavy Ales Porter was awarded the Bronze in the Porters category at the CAMRA Champion Winter Beer of Britain Competition held in Norwich earlier this year. Head Brewer Jon Clargo said "We are very happy to be recognised at this level. What with so many fantastic breweries entering this year, it really was amazing to receive such a high accolade for our Porter. Our aim has

always been to produce the best beer that we can, placing real importance on quality."

The brewery has been going from strength to strength since its takeover nearly two years ago, and has some exciting plans for the coming months, including a new core beer 'Sound Bitter', a premium strength beer. Their popularity in the South West continues to grow, and the beer is widely available in the Plymouth and throughout Devon.



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Congratulations to the Cornish Arms, Tavistock.

The Cornish Arms, West Street, Tavistock, has been named as the best pub in Devon in the National Pub and Bar Awards 2017, an industry-organised competition.

The manager of the Cornish Arms, John Hooker, said “It is a huge honour for the pub to be selected for such a prestigious award, and one of the best in the country. It is a credit to our hard working and dedicated team who aim to exceed expectations every time”.

In total, 94 venues across the country have been nominated as the best in their county and go forward to the National Pub and Bar Awards grand final at BAFTA, London, on Tuesday 23rd May.

Plymouth CAMRA congratulate John and his team at the Cornish Arms and wish them every success in their quest to become the best in the region and the National Pub and Bar of the Year. Good Luck !



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Visit DEVON TRADING STANDARDS

Telephone 01392 381381 (from Devon)

Telephone 0845 3459181 (from Somerset)

Please email tsadvice@devon.gov.uk



Plymouth CAMRA LocAle Scheme

The Campaign for Real Ale has a scheme called CAMRA LocAle. This initiative promotes pubs which sell locally-brewed real ale, builds on the growing consumer demand for quality local produce and an increased awareness of “green” issues. It is coordinated by local branches of CAMRA, in this case the Plymouth branch. In Devon and Cornwall, the distance from the pub to the relevant brewery must be 30 miles or less to qualify. County boundaries and CAMRA branch boundaries are totally irrelevant.

Avonwick

Avon Inn Avonwick TQ10 9NB

Turtley Corn Mill Avonwick TQ10 9ES

Bere Ferrers

Olde Plough Inn Fore Street Bere Ferrers PL20 7JG

Bittaford

Horse & Groom Exeter Road Bittaford PL21 0EL

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Foxhound Inn Brixton Brixton PL8 2AH

Buckland Monachorum

Drake Manor Inn The Village Buckland Monachorum
PL20 7NA

California Cross

California Inn California Cross PL21 0SG

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Copper Penny Inn Chipshop PL19 8NT

Clearbrook

Skylark Inn Clearbrook PL20 6JD

Dousland

Burrator Inn Dousland PL20 6NP

Ermington

Crooked Spire The Square Ermington PL21 9LP

Hemerdon

Miner's Arms Hemerdon PL7 5BU

Hexworthy

Forest Inn Hexworthy PL20 6SD

Mary Tavy

Mary Tavy Inn Lane Head Mary Tavy PL19 9PN

Meavy

Royal Oak Inn Meavy PL20 6PJ

Merrivale

Dartmoor Inn Merrivale PL20 6ST

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Plymouth

Artillery Arms 6 Pound Street Plymouth PL1 3RH

Brass Monkey 12-14 Royal Parade Plymouth PL1 1DS

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Clifton Inn 35 Clifton Street Plymouth PL4 8JB

Fawn Private Members Club 39 Prospect Street Plymouth PL4 8NY

Fishermans Arms 31 Lambhay Street Plymouth PL1 2NN

Fortescue Hotel 37 Mutley Plain Plymouth PL4 6JQ

Gog & Magog 58 Southside Street Plymouth PL1 2LA

Golden Hind 260 Mannamead Road Plymouth PL3 5RJ

Kitty O' Hanlon's 5 St Andrews Street Plymouth PL1 2AH

Mannamead 61 Mutley Plain Plymouth PL4 6JH

Maritime Inn 19 Southside Street Plymouth PL1 2LD

Masonic Inn 65 Devonport Road Plymouth PL3 4DL

Minerva Inn 31 Looe Street Plymouth PL4 0EA

Noah's Ark 32a Courtney Street Plymouth PL1 1EP

Nowhere Inn 21 Gilwell Street Plymouth PL4 8BU

Plymouth Hoe Club 1-2 Osbourne Place Plymouth PL1 2PU

Porters 20-21 Looe Street Plymouth PL4 0EA

Prince Maurice 3 Church Hill Plymouth PL6 5RJ

Providence 20 Providence Street Plymouth PL4 8JQ

Pub On The Hoe 159 Citadel Road Plymouth PL1 2HU

Stoke Inn 43 Devonport Road Plymouth PL3 4DL

Thistle Park Tavern 32 Commercial Road Plymouth PL4 0LE

Union Rooms 19 Union Street Plymouth PL1 2SU

Waterloo Inn 30 Waterloo Street Plymouth PL1 5RS

West Hoe 24 Bishop's Place Plymouth PL1 3BW

Plympton

Colebrook Inn Colebrook Road Plympton PL7 4AA

London Inn 8 Church Road Plympton PL7 1NH

Stannary Court 95-99 Ridgeway Plympton PL7 2AA

Union Inn 17 Underwood Road Plympton PL7 1SY

Plymstock

Drake's Drum 19 Radford Park Road Plymstock PL9 9DN

Postbridge

East Dart Hotel Postbridge PL20 6TJ

Warren House Inn Postbridge PL20 6TA

Princetown

Plume Of Feathers Inn Plymouth Hill Princetown PL20 6QQ

Prince Of Wales Hotel Tavistock Road Princetown PL20 6QF

Ringmore

Journey's End Inn Ringmore TQ7 4HL

Sparkwell

Welbeck Manor Hotel & Sparkwell Golf Course Sparkwell PL7 5DF

Tavistock

Bedford Hotel 1 Plymouth Road Tavistock PL19 8BB

Queen's Head Hote l80 West Street Tavistock PL19 8AQ

Trout 'N' Tipple Parkwood Road Tavistock PL19 0JS

Turnchapel

Boringdon Arms 13 Boringdon Terrace Turnchapel PL9 9TQ

Clovelly Bay Inn 1 Boringdon Road Turnchapel PL9 9TB

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Help make beer and pubs a priority in this election

On the 8th of June, the UK will go to the polls for the General Election. We need your help to ensure that your local candidates know how important beer and pubs are to you as a potential voter.

This election gives us a chance to put forward CAMRA's specific proposals to better support the UK's beer drinkers and pub-goers. Together in 2015 we persuaded 1,160 candidates to pledge support for beer and pubs. As a result of this campaigning, we had 211 MPs who had promised to speak up in Parliament on our behalf.

Our campaigning efforts paid dividends: we've seen successes with a beer duty freeze in 2016, support for pubs facing high business rate bills and most recently on planning protection for pubs in England.

But there is more to do. We need to make sure these successes are protected and push the next Government to ensure beer drinkers and pub-goers get a good deal as Britain prepares to leave the EU.

CAMRA is asking election candidates to commit to do the following if elected:

1. **Beer:** Celebrate and promote Britain's 1,540 breweries
2. **Pubs:** Support action to help pubs thrive
3. **Consumers:** Represent the interests of pub goers, beer and cider drinkers

Please visit CAMRA's website at www.camra.org.uk/pledgeforpubs to:

View our full manifesto asks

Contact your local candidates

See a list of which candidates have signed up so far

Want to get more involved?

If you're on social media, make sure to thank your candidates on Twitter and Facebook by using the hashtag #pledgeforpubs and #ge2017 when they confirm support. You can also upload a short video at the pub about why candidates should pull together for beer and pubs this election and tweet @CAMRA_Official.

CAMRA Manifesto 2017 #pledgeforpubs

Beer, brewing and pubs support nearly 900,000 jobs in the UK, and contribute £23.1bn to the UK economy annually.

Pubs are a uniquely British institution which showcase our nation's brewing tradition and also provide essential community facilities for those that use them. Research from Oxford University found that people who regularly use a local pub have more friends, are happier and more trusting of others and feel more engaged with their communities.

About CAMRA

CAMRA is a consumer group with more than 187,000 members and acts as an independent voice for real ale drinkers and pub goers. Our vision is to have quality real ale and thriving pubs in every community.

Pledges:

CAMRA is asking General Election candidates to pledge their support for Britain's pub goers and beer drinkers by committing to do the following if elected:

- 1. Beer:** Celebrate and promote Britain's 1,540 breweries
- 2. Pubs:** Support action to help pubs thrive
- 3. Consumers:** Represent the interests of pub goers, beer and cider drinkers

Pulling together to support pubs and clubs:

Pubs face a huge tax burden, including VAT, excise duties, business rates, corporation tax and other pub-specific regulatory costs. In total £9.7bn in taxes are paid across the beer and pubs sector per year. Tax makes up around one third of the cost of a pint sold in a pub.



Pubs pay 2.8% of the total amount paid in business rates, but account for only 0.5% of total business turnover. The Pubs Business Rate Relief Scheme in England goes some way to alleviating the business rates burden on pubs. **The Pubs Relief Scheme should be made permanent and extended to £5,000 per pub per year.**

I'm backing Beer and Pubs



Britain's expected departure from the EU will present opportunities for the UK Government to re-balance the tax differential between the on-trade and the off-trade, and demonstrate support for the vast majority of consumers who drink responsibly and in social environments.

- **Consideration should be given to introducing a more favourable rate of VAT for on-trade alcohol and food service which will ease the tax burden specifically for on-trade licensed venues.**

- **A lower rate of duty for draught beer sold in pubs should be introduced to alleviate disproportionate taxation and recognise the social benefits of alcohol being consumed in regulated, social environments.**

How candidates can sign up and pledge their support

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