

MASH TUN

Newsletter of the Nottingham Brewery – issue#23 August AD2017

**GEORGE steps
up to the mark**

**Ned Ludd gets
full on Food**

**Word from
the Boss**

**News from
the GCR**

Bank Holiday Beer Festivals



Frame Breakers



Ruddington village

Burger night is every Thursday from 5pm offering home-made burgers such as Minted Lamb, Beef & Chorizo, Breakers' Burger (DBL burger topped with chilli & cheese!), Ultimate Veggie, and Hunters Chicken. Prices start from £8 and all include an alcoholic or soft drink. Meat is sourced from Owen Taylors Butchers of Leabrooks (www.owentaylor.co.uk) and all veg & salad is sourced locally from the Ruddington green grocers.

Sunday Ciabattas

Lamb & Mint, Pork & Apple, or Chicken & Cranberry are served with stuffing, roast potatoes & gravy dip (£5.95). A dessert can be added for just £2.50.

Daily food specials which are always changing have recently included Nachos; Mexican Chicken Wraps; Tuna Steak Salad; and Ham, Egg & Chips.

We are looking at how we can expand the kitchen to improve/renew our food menu. We always try to source our meat locally and may include menu options such as beer-infused sausages and hand-made burgers from C.Brampton Butchers, Melton Road, West Bridgford (www.cbramptonbutchers.co.uk/west-bridgford-store)



Knowledge Pays!!!

Every 3rd Sunday of the month (5pm to 7pm) we have a 40-question Quiz Night, including a picture round, hosted by quiz-master Martin.

1st prize – £25 bar tab

2nd prize – 6 bottles of EPA

3rd prize – a bottle of wine.

The next quiz is on August 20th and September 17th.

Amy, Manageress.



Firstly we would like to congratulate Jennifer on her massive effort completing the 10k Walk for Life in record time (for her at least), and raising £250 in memory of Ian Lambert who we lost last year to cancer.

Cider

Our cider range has changed with the Bottle Kicking Cider Company providing our bottles of choice. Thirsty Farmer and Broadoak are our real ciders available on our new cider wall (it's actually a four-foot T-bar, but we are not going to be out-done by the 'Breakers, are we?').

We are looking forward to the return of the students at the end of September with our annual open day for the Real Ale Societies in October.

Following the excellent gig with the Boot Hill Toe-tappers in July, live music continues this month. On August 20th Wholesome Fish (shown below) entertain

from 5pm and the ever reliable Steve entertains with his *Bit of the Blues* on the last Sunday of the month.



Finally, the Plough is phasing in a new fairer discount policy. During September, Mel is changing the present CAMRA discount, for a **LOYALTY card scheme**. The loyalty card is open to everyone with **5%** discount on all wet products, not just the real ales. Plus **10%** on food and snacks. This will come into force on Monday 2nd October, so pop your head around the Plough pub door and see Mel for an application form. Cards will be issued a week later.

Persons enrolling in the new scheme will also have the option of receiving monthly updates, plus an electronic version of the *Mash Tun*, the Nottingham Brewery magazine.



Summer fun with the Framework Knitters

During August there will be kids' craft activities running every Thursday at the Framework Knitters Museum, Ruddington, as part of a new summer holiday initiative called 'The Griswold Gang'.

On Saturday 19 August, the museum's annual summer event will take place – and it's set to be quite different from last year. Instead of the traditional Garden Party, the museum will be holding a Vintage Summer Festival with FREE entry, from 11am to 4pm. There'll be a

packed programme of live jazz music in the garden, stalls selling vintage crafts and collectibles in the Chapel, and refreshments served street party-style on Chapel Street.

The Festival is being held on the same day as Ruddington Summer Fayre, which takes place 12 noon to 6pm, so there'll be lots to see and do in the village throughout the day.

Why not come along for a great family day out, and enjoy a pint or a bite to eat in The Frame Breakers afterwards?



The Ned Ludd

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ONIFY APP

The Ned Ludd will be joining up to this digital loyalty card devised locally in Nottingham. Download the APP at the Ned and receive an immediate loyalty discount. You can then enjoy the Lunch For Less (L4L) menu and after the 7th visit, get the 8th free.



We've made some changes for the summer with Khobez flatbreads, seeded rustic baguettes, falafel, and lamb kofta along with the firm favourites like the fish finger butty. This summer we've included a number of salads in the deal; £5 L4L with a soft drink or hot beverage* and £5.95 with a premium soft drink or alcoholic beverage* (*see menu for details of drinks available)



NEW Brewers Breakfast



Breakfast won't be the same, with this plate full including pork & supreme sausages (made by Brumptions butchers, West Bridgford), EPA/maple syrup glazed bacon, IPA plum tomatoes, stout baked beans and hoppy salt hash browns. It's served 10am-noon every Saturday and Sunday. All our main breakfast items come with a free* coffee, tea or juice (* see menu for details)

HOPPY MEALS



Burger, fries, & craft beer... simple Have you tried the new 'Hoppy' Meals at the Ned? Choose from a burger, beer sausage on a bun, IPA chicken strip burger, meatball baguette or steak baguette with fries and a choice of craft beer or cider in a can – ask for the daily range available.



MONTHLY SUPPER CLUB

The Ned will be starting a monthly supper club which will have beer and food matching events as part of the diary including the return of our popular Gluten Free evenings. Look out for the events matching beers from the Lagunitas, Asahi and Devils Peak range with some inspired dishes created by our head chef Aaron and his team. Many of the events will be hosted by the beerbelle, Annabel Smith www.beerbelle.co.uk Check social media or the website for dates and details.

Craft Beer Week



During Nottingham Craft Beer week in June 2017 the Ned Ludd teamed up with Devils Peak brewery from Cape Town to showcase their Blockhouse IPA on draught, before the launch of their beers into the UK market. A donation of £1 from every pint sold is being sent to support the excellent work undertaken by Masikhule Childcare Masikhule strive to help women and children within marginalised communities develop self-reliance, independence and their full potential as well as the community as a whole. The Ned has 1 keg left of this excellent IPA. Watch this space for a date when the team from Devils Peak will be at the Ned for a tap takeover with their new beers brewed in conjunction with Fierce Brewery, Aberdeen, along with some traditional South African food dishes on offer as well.

THE CORN MILL BEER & CIDER FESTIVAL 2017

The Corn Mill in Chilwell will again break the records with a beer and cider festival during August Bank Holiday. The 40 ales and 20 ciders festival will include live music, a BBQ, and entertainment for the whole family.



Under Starters Orders




The Starting Gate pub, near the racecourse at Colwick, is running a mini beer festival throughout August.

A chilled 3-cask stillage will feature ales from far and wide. If it's a success, which we believe it will be, then they will continue to sell other guest beers throughout the year, including Gate Ale from Nottingham Brewery.

The food menu is great too, so call in if you are passing – you can always get the other half to leave you there in peace, whilst they shop at the massive retail park nearby!!











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GREAT CENTRAL RAILWAY
Loughborough, Leicestershire

GCR Annual Beer Festival

Thursday 14th to Sunday 17th September

The now much-acclaimed annual beer festival returns for its eleventh year and is better than ever!

Take your taste buds on a sentimental train journey at the award-winning heritage line's 4-day beer festival with 70 guest beers & ciders are on offer, specially selected from different breweries.

Trains are running on the Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The festival begins on Thursday 14th at midday.

The entrance charge is just £3, but best of all it's FREE to anyone buying a ticket to travel on the steam trains that run weekend! GCR's normal train fares apply with an adult runabout for just £16.

Look out for the specially named "Legend of Nottingham" steam trains. Live music and hot food will be on offer too so a great weekend is promised.

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BEHIND THE MUSIC 26 AUG 2017 AN EVENING OF WORLD MUSIC & SPOKEN WORD

Behind the Music not only lets us hear the music, but invites us inside the music too... Meet and hear from the performers themselves, featuring:

ÆSOP MĪZEN BAND

This odd two piece sounds like a full band, playing progressive electro-jazz that mixes new material with re-worked standards

JUST JUDE

Just Jude is joining our special line-up for the evening, playing her 21 string kora, a west African bridge harp originating from The Gambia and Guinea Bissau

CHRIS MILES

With other experienced improvisers, Chris Miles leads the way, creating in the moment, a brand new piece; no agreed keys or chords; no agreed structure or feel

ADAM NIGHTINGALE

Hear published author and writer of historically based performances turn his attention to mixing words and music.

Tickets limited, buy early to avoid missing out!

Event only: £4 / Event + 1 drink + 1 tapas: £10

Tapas menu available on the night, doors open at 7pm.

Ask at the bar or buy on Eventbrite. In association with The Framework Knitters Museum, Ruddington.

Join us online, search "Ned Ludd Nottingham" #WeMakeNottinghamRock



PLEASE TO BE A PART OF THE NOTTINGHAM BREWERY FAMILY



Say Hello, Say Goodbye

We were very sad to see brewer Dan Ashley left us at the end of June to return to his adopted City of Barcelona where his fiancé comes from. He has been a great asset to the brewery and became a good friend too. We gave him a good send-off at Henley Royal Regatta for a day out (see image showing him just about keeping awake on the train!).

However cometh the hour cometh the man....up steps George Darby who is full of enthusiasm (see picture above and on the front cover). He has been shadowing Dan for the last month or more and with Niven's wisdom and guidance and mentoring, is already producing excellent quality beers, brewing solo. Here's to an illustrious career!



MEET THE BREWER NIGHTS

The Observatory, Ilkeston, was the latest pub opening their doors to a brewery take-over by NB from August 14 with a Meet the Brewer evening on Wednesday 16th – a great range of beers were on offer at some great prices!

Keep a look-out on social media for the next Meet-the-Brewer event – it could be at a pub near you soon!

FULL STEAM AHEAD
Sunday 1st October
Adults £18 U12s £12 U3s FREE

Starting at Quorn & Woodhouse station choose either a 5, 8 or 10 mile walk, then hop aboard the **LOROS Express** for the return journey. **Dogs are welcome** (on the train too). A 9 mile circular walk (excluding train ride) is also available.

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Real Ale Train

Sat Oct 14th

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ROBIN HOOD BEER FESTIVAL

There will be a Nottingham Brewery marquee at the Robin Hood Beer Festival. This is staffed by the brewery and not Camra so if anyone has any spare time during the festival and would like to volunteer to work just at the Nottingham Marquee, give Billy a call on 07815 073447. T-shirts will be provided. It is planned to cover various "shifts" this year to keep the bar manned; most likely 11am to 3pm, 3pm til 7pm, and 7pm till close (11pm), Wednesday through Saturday. Volunteering will also give you access to the festival as a whole, either before or after your shift so there is an added value to your time. You will need to sign in at the staff gate and the brewery bar to comply with health and safety rules.



A TRIP TO THE TRIP!!

Ye Olde Trip To Jerusalem will be holding a cider festival in their courtyard over August Bank Holiday weekend, with at least a dozen local ciders, and with a few in reserve. They will also repeat the Fringe Fest Festival in the courtyard whilst the Robin Hood Beer Festival takes place at Nottingham Castle in October, with at least 9 or 10 ales on sale, that **WILL NOT BE** available at the 'Castle festival.

Nottingham's Bell Inn will also be taking part in the Festival Fringe Fortnight. Keep an eye-out on social media or in the next edition of *Mash Tun* for more details.



RUN FOR HOME

The Notts Athletic Club held the 10 mile road race this year with record numbers of entries. The men's race was won by Kevin Seaward from Cardiff and the ladies' was won by Olympic runner Sonia Samuels. Everyone enjoyed the race and many personal records were broken. All the runners were treated to a glass of isotonic Rock Bitter to revive them at the finish! A great incentive to get over that finish line in record time!!



Don't chase the yellow jersey
...chase the yellow pumpclip

BULLION
Nottingham Brewery
Bullion
(cycle helmets optional)

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PALE ALE & CHOICEST HOPS
THE NOTTINGHAM BREWERY LTD

Please drink responsibly

FREEMASONS

The Tercentenary of the Masonic Movement in Nottingham held in the Market Square was very well attended to see the pomp and pageantry paraded through the City, escorted by our good friends the Knights of Nottingham (see below) in glorious sweltering sunshine. They were almost cooked alive in their chain mail and armour! It was a good job The Nottingham Brewery Beer Tent was at hand to rehydrate them. A grand day was had by all.



Annual Beauvale Beer Festival

The 16th century Beauvale Priory set in rural surroundings, and nearby to the Nottinghamshire village of Moorgreen, will again be the setting for their August Bank Holiday Beer Festival. At least 100 real ales and 25 ciders are promised. There will also be a hog roast and live music courtesy of the much acclaimed Wholesome Fish who will no doubt be including some dance-along waltzing-type tunes. Described as "global pop punk meets traditional folk", amongst other things, this Nottingham five-piece can often be seen playing at the Plough Inn, Radford. They are there next on August 20th.

Drink by the Drink



Canal & River Trust

A new beer festival organised by the Canal and River Trust makes its local debut in a marquee on the Gallows Inn fields on the Ilkeston / Trowell border during August Bank Holiday weekend. The festival is held at a different location around the country each year. 30 ales will be up for grabs over the weekend, including a large selection of ciders and perrys. This event is open to all.

Great Central Railway are running an all-steam midweek passenger service on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 15th to 24th in August and also on 6th, 13, 20, 27th in September.

Why not enjoy a journey (or travel all day) through the Leicestershire countryside behind a beautifully restored historic steam locomotive. There's a café at each station to enjoy a meal, and the Griddle Car service serves a selection of meals including our famous all-day breakfast on the move.

For timetable (our green timetable applies) and fares, check-out their website at www.gcrailway.co.uk.

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STREET FOOD

EAT YOUR WAY AROUND THE WORLD, WITH A BEER ONLY £7.95

Choose a main from the Street Food menu, served with fries. Pick a selected can of craft beer or cider from the fridge - ask for today's selection.

Join us online, search "Ned Ludd Nottingham" #WeMakeNottinghamRock

DRINK TO BE A PART OF THE NOTTINGHAM BREWERY FAMILY

PRIVILEGED & PROUD!

Nottingham Brewery has a long standing working relationship with Greene King from even before their much maligned buy out of Hardy and Hanson.

Since those early days they have expanded massively, most recently acquiring the Spirit group and its huge estate. Our relationship has remained solid and our service and support to the new pubs has meant that many of which, either didn't serve real ale or if they did, they may not have served it to its best potential, are now stocking locale alongside GK products in tip top condition and there is an enthusiasm amongst the managers to better their knowledge of the products and to try new beers to the extent of hosting mini beer festivals and encouraging customer participation in asking for guest ales.

We are very proud of our privileged position and continue to work alongside this prestigious company and are grateful for their confidence in our products and service, So if you see a Beer Event at a GK pub, give it a go, some of the new managers need encouragement and you'll be supporting the cause. PNJD

BOWLED OVER

The Bell Inn were "bowled over" with the success of their recent beer festival throughout the duration of the Trent Bridge Test Match, so much so, that they are planning another similar one soon, so watch this space – we wouldn't want you to duck out!!





Where have you seen Nottingham Brewery beers? Send us your pix

Please drink responsibly



Frame Breakers Sunday Sessions

featuring various acoustic acts

August

27th – Lady Rose; duo/covers/guitarist

September

3rd – Joe Strange; singer/guitarist/covers

10th – Blurred Mondays; duo/covers

24th – Bob Willmott; jazz pianist/covers

#WeMakeNottinghamRock

Dipping our toe in the water for brewing a strong IPA (5.7%) has been a tremendous success and the craft version has had fantastic feedback. Unfortunately, this is more than can be said of our venture into bottling on a short run of Supreme that we did last Christmas. We out-sourced to a bottling plant closer to home than our ever-dependent Holdens Brewery, who bottle our much acclaimed EPA. This new company messed up big time. Hence we had recall over 30% of the beer as we were so disappointed with the quality, and the bottles towards the end of the run were unrecognizable as Supreme! It will be a while before we try that again. I hate pouring beer away!

If you are travelling nationwide over the next few months, look out for Roses Oatmeal Stout – Sooty under a different name. It is on the JDW national listing and they couldn't use the name Sooty for political correctness reasons, but rest assured that Roses was an original recipe brewed in the 1800s. With our pubs geared up for what we hope will be the rest of a supreme summer (no pun intended), what better way to enjoy the warmer times than with a cool pint of Nottingham Ale down at the PUB! ...Cheers!!

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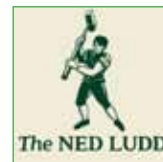
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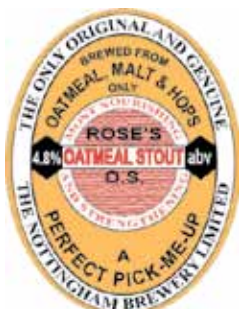
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