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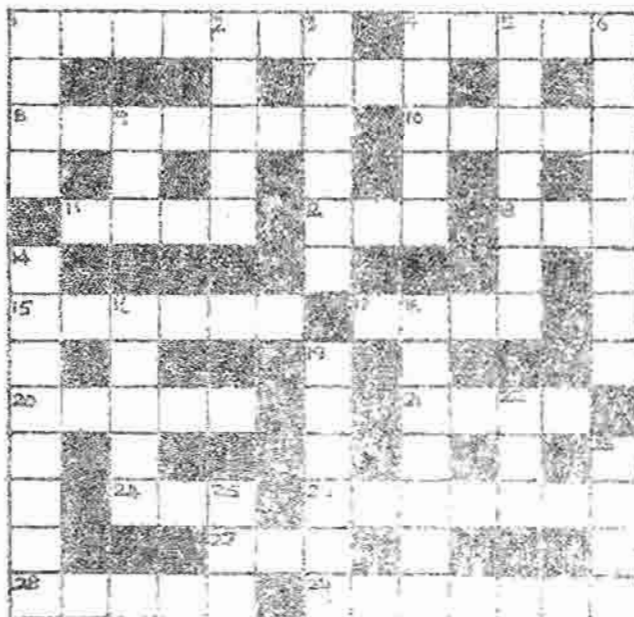
All material for inclusion in the June Newsletter should be in the Editor's hands not later than 23rd May.

Riverside Festival

Festival time is here again and this year the beer tent will have the biggest variety so far. New beers to the festival include those from Ringwood, Bourne Valley, Westcrown, Arkells, Devenish, Eldridge Pope and Morlands Breweries, the first three being new independent Breweries. Beers from Marstons (Owd Roger), Fullers, Adnams, Everards and Morrells breweries plus all the local brews will also be available. There will be a selection of Milds available. Paines the local brewery will be brewing Porter for the festival, a drink that has been extinct for many years until recently. Paines special 'Festivale' will also be on sale. The beer tent is open from Friday night at 6pm, so don't forget to come to the 4th St. Neots Beer Festival. Watch the local press for opening times.

Festival Crossword

Why not try your hand at the crossword. The first correct solution opened will receive £1. All entries to the Editor. The winner's name will be published in the June newsletter.



Clues - Across

1. Not an old beer (7)
- 4, 21A & 14D. Where its at in June (5,4,8)
7. The Imperial pint (3)
8. Defunct home of Ruddles (7)
- 10&11. Old couple from Abington Pigotts (5,4)
12. The seeds of ale (3)
13. Too much will make you (3)
15. Cambs brewer (6)
17. Not a difficult clue (4)
20. Ipswich brewers (5)
21. Weep (3)
26. Home of Fined (7)
27. See 1 down
28. Continental beer? (5)
29. This branch (2,5)

Clues - Down

- 1&27A. Measure of beer? (4,3)
2. The origin of malt (5)
3. "Master" brewers of Essex (6)

4. Aircraft detector (5)
5. Morrells Best Bitter (7)
6. Regal tree (5,3)
9. Better than one (2)
16. Stormy ales? (5)
18. Unplaced runner (4,3)
19. Local brewers (6)
22. Director of Mill... (4,3)
23. "Cheers Charles" (Abrev) (4)
25. Please keep it clear at 4.21.14 (3)

'XX' Yard of Ale contest

There will be a yard of ale contest at the festival this year the XXact time to be announced at the festival. Greene King are promoting it and we will be using XX dark mild in the yard, which local CAMRA branches are trying to save from XXtinction. XXcel yourself and enter, no need for previous XXperience. The prize will be the yard itself. If you are interested in entering ring Clive Parcell on Huntingdon 72099 daytime only.

Beer Guides

The 1979 Cambridgeshire Real Ale Guide should be available towards the end of the month. The guide will list over 350 pubs and will contain more maps. The number of real ale pubs in the St. Neots branch area has increased from 50 to 82 over the past year so be sure to come along to branch meetings and get your copy.

Pub News

White Hart, Godmanchester and Falcon, Buckden changed hands last month. Fred Pollock is moving from the Greenacres, St. Neots to the Prings of Wales, Upper Dean.

The hand pump is now at work at the Fountain, Gamlingay supplying pints of Charles Wells Bitter.

Cross Keys, St. Neots has been leased to Chef & Brewer but will continue to serve Paine's beers.

Half Moon, Kitchington has been awarded 2 Rosettes for their food. Rumour has it that the beer is pretty good as well. Okay Ted.

The second branch handpump has been installed at the Plough, Abbotsley on Paine's XXX Bitter.

Forthcoming Meetings

Thurs 3rd May: Social with Bly branch at the Windmill, Somersham at 8pm. Wed 10th May: Branch meeting at the Black Bull, Godmanchester at 8pm. Tues 30th May: Social with N. Beds branch at the Price of Wales, Upper Dean at 8pm.

Fri 1st June - Sun 3rd June: Beer tent at the Riverside Festival. Wed 13th June: Branch meeting at the Lord John Russell, St. Neots at 3pm. Sat 16th June: Coach trip to Scarbold Brewery Museum and Peterborough. Cost approx £1.50-£2.00 including admission to the museum. All interested should ring Clive Parcell on H 72099 daytime only.

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I wish to become a member of CAMRA. I agree to abide by the memorandum and articles of association of the Campaign, and I enclose £4 (£6 for overseas members) as my annual subscription.

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