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"FIND THE BREWERY" COMPETITION

W E L S H C M A C L A Y S
S L T S S A M U E L N M A
H G O T E S U A E N I A P
I O L A K L I S R T Z S G
P O L L A R D K H S K E R
S D Y T C H L D P E T N E
T S C O B S L B U M R O E
O E O R G I A A L R I T N
N P B M A N N S X E S S E
E O B H L E E S U D E L K
S P O I E V E R A R D L I
S M L A N E R E V O Y E N
E L D R I D G E O B H W G

Hidden in the above grid are the names of 29 well known breweries. The names are all arranged vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and are written both forwards and backwards. With double-barrelled names, the two names may be separated.

All entries to be received by the Editor by the end of the month. The winner will receive £1.00

(Sarah Orbell)

FUTURE MEETINGS ALL WELCOME

Contact Geoff Parsons, 12 Green Lane, Great Staughton, Huntingdon, Cambs; Telephone Kimbolton 551 for further details.

NO RIVERSIDE FESTIVAL IN 1982

The main campaigning and fund raising event of the year for the St. Neots Branch of CAMRA has, as you will have read in the local press, been scuppered by the shock decision of the St. Neots Round Table to discontinue with the Riverside Festival. This is a great blow to the branch, who are now looking at alternative ideas for a local beer festival next year, possibly in the new Priory Centre. No decisions have been reached at present but if anyone has any ideas please contact the Editor.

(GEORGE COTTAM)

AN INTRODUCTION TO CAMRA

CAMRA was started in 1971 as the "Campaign for the Re-vitalisation of Ale", but as this was a mouthful especially after a few pints, it was later changed to the "Campaign for Real Ale".

Its principal function is as a consumer movement, to give the drinker the choice of traditional ale by an approved method of dispense (gravity, handpump, electric pump) without the use of gas, and to prevent the Big Six: Watney, Whitbread, Bass, Charrington, Courage, Allied Breweries and Scottish and Newcastle, from increasing their monopoly, CAMRA also concern themselves with other items such as prices, licensing hours and pub preservation.

CAMRA holds beer festivals including the Great British Beer Festival and publishes the Good Beer Guide annually. Local Branches often publish a local beer guide as well

WHY NOT BECOME A MEMBER?

Why not become a member of CAMRA and help to protect your beer heritage. Membership costs only £7.00 a year and for this you will receive the Campaign's newspaper "What's Brewing" every month and also get the opportunity to purchase the "Good Beer Guide" at a reduced rate. This is on top of being able to attend brewery trips and other local events.

Come to one of our next meetings, or contact Karen on Huntingdon 50150 for further details.

THE NEWSLETTER

Apologies for the lack of original articles in this month's newsletter. There are two possible reasons for this:

- 1) Everybody has been on holiday and so they have had little time to write anything; and/or
- 2) Apathy of the majority of the branch when it comes to producing a paragraph or two for THEIR newsletter.

I trust that the first reason is the correct one because if it is not there will cease to be a newsletter before the year is out.

(The Editor)

All material for inclusion in the October newsletter should be in the hands of the Editor by September 25th at the latest.

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