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EDITORIAL

Welcome to the new summer edition of Lakes & Ale. There have been some significant changes to the ranks of Westmorland Branch Officers and we extend a warm welcome to all those who have generously volunteered to help continue the work of CAMRA in the area. We must also thank those officers who for various reasons have retired from their posts. They include Marilyn Molloy who for many years has been a stalwart of the Branch but who now, after some hospital operations, wishes to spend more well earned time with Mike. Also we say goodbye to Caroline Schwaller who has been a truly dedicated member of the Branch this last few years and also we learn that our Webmaster Dave Brown will need to leave post in the near future. They will be hard to replace.

This is also a poignant moment for me as, after some ten very enjoyable years as Editor, I find that a combination of the increasing effects of Parkinson's coupled with eyesight problems makes it more than time to call it a day. I am happy to see that we have an admirable replacement in Jodie Duxbury who has all the necessary technical skills to deal with Microsoft Publisher and no doubt she will have much support from our printer Howard Duff at Kent Valley. Next edition will be a joint effort by Jodie and myself and then I can concentrate on just quaffing ale!

Thanks to all those who have contributed over the years, it has been a pleasure, and a personal public thanks to Howard especially in recent times.

Cheers David Currington.

Closing date for contributions to the next Issue is 14th August 2018

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FROM THE CHAIR

Sarah Moore

Dear members and friends of Westmorland CAMRA,

Welcome to the Summer 2018 edition of Lakes and Ale! Since our last edition there have been changes afoot at Westmorland CAMRA. As I write our annual general meeting took place yesterday where an (almost) new committee was elected and I accepted the nomination and election to serve as branch chair.

So first of all I introduce myself. My name is Sarah Moore, I live in Kendal, and I have been a member of CAMRA off and on for a number of years and of Westmorland CAMRA for about six years. I got hooked into real ale by good beer loving parents and was introduced to CAMRA via the Great British Beer Festival. Last year I volunteered at GBBF for the first time and thoroughly recommend the experience to other members. In regard to our own branch I have previously served as branch secretary, as a brewery liaison officer, and currently also am a member of the Cumbria beer tasting and judging panel. For my day job I am a United Reformed Church minister currently working as church leader for Cumbria. Suffice to say that I am familiar with the leadership of organisations and look forward to learning more about CAMRA! Leading the branch with me among others are Philip Walker (vice chair), Tony Jackson (secretary), Colin Ashton (treasurer), and Ivor Chittenden (membership secretary). Our contact details are listed elsewhere in Lakes and Ale.

I would like to offer my huge thanks to the commitment of the outgoing committee for all that they did for the branch: Steve Charlton (branch chair), Marilyn Molloy, (vice chair) and Caroline Schwaller (secretary). I also pay particular tribute to Jill Clarkson who sadly died in the last year who worked tirelessly as branch contact and in a number of other roles.

Looking to the future I look forward to meeting friends and members of the branch, particularly those I haven't met before, and hope to find more ways of enabling our members to join with events and activities. Ideas for socials are always welcome along with new ways that we can play our part in furthering the cause of good beer and top notch pubs.

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Remember there are lots of ways that you can find out what is going on in the branch. Check out our website at <https://westmorland.camra.org.uk> like our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/camrawestmorland/> join our Facebook members group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/470902190006356/>

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Sarah Moore

Chair of Westmorland CAMRA

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Steve Charlton. Immediate Past Chairman

Hello once again and welcome to the uninformative page of this fine tome. It is with a little sadness that I write this for the last time before I stand down after two years in the Chair. It has been an honour to have been Branch Chairman, and I would like to say a huge thanks to all of the hard working committee members who have made me look magnificent (at least they have in my world).

There have been some great changes during this time, but the stand out must be the introduction of the social meetings every other month; so if the politics of CAMRA are not your thing, then just come to a social, drink beer (or cider) chat and find out what happening.

Nationally it has been all about Revitalisation and I'm not convinced that CAMRA needed it or particularly achieved any major improvements. It's always been about championing and supporting great breweries and our great pubs that serve it. We still seem unclear about the latest American invasion which kicked off the confusion of craft keg/ keg craft and what it is and does. In my humble opinion if it knocks a lager pump off the bar, tastes good then it has a place there. As to whether CAMRA acknowledges it or not is still up for discussion. It is perhaps more a case of can you afford it. Do I want to pay that much will more likely give an answer as to its continued presence.

I would like to congratulate all new committee members, particularly our new chairperson, Sara Moore and Vice Chairman Phil Walker, two enthusiastic, passionate, forward thinking young whippersnappers, who have been in the branch for a few years now and I think they are the right people to take the Branch onwards and upwards. The Branch and myself wish them good fortune.

I will now retire back to the fells and continue my BLO roles.

Cheers and happy supping.

Steve Charlton

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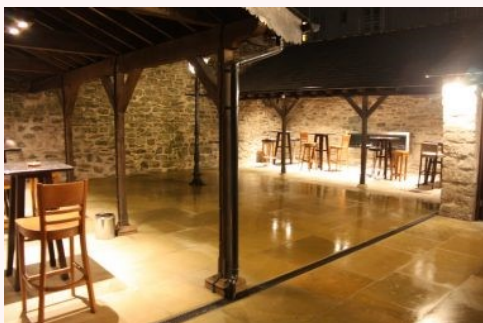
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In the last edition of this magazine we announced that branch members voted the Masons Yard 24 as the Branch Pub of the Year 2018.



The presentation took place a few weeks later and above you see, on the right, joint landlords Darren Lincoln and Tom Quelly who have just received the Shield and Certificate to add to their Summer Pub of the Season Award from last year. Also in the picture are on the left Robert Newbould, a customer who always makes a point of coming in when he visits Kendal on business and 'lurking' in the background bar staff Jon Ritson and Dan Carr.

This is a remarkable achievement for a venture which only opened to the public in 2017. The beers on

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six pumps are ever changing and always kept in top form by Darren.

Plans are well advanced to install and open a new micro brewery in the pub yard. The new completely renovated yard is very well used in these warmer nights. Food is a big factor in the success of the pub with a diverse menu being served. CAMRA wish Darren Tom and all the staff the very best for a successful future. DC



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Hamburg, second largest city in Germany a country renowned for its beers, so must be a sure thing for good beer, right? Well up until a couple of years ago, not really, as the beer scene was dominated by the giant Holsten brewery, with little of the variations to be found further south. However, this has made Hamburg ripe for small breweries to introduce foreign beer styles, leading to an untypical German beer scene.

Due to the various opening hours and days my order of beer hunting was pre-determined, and so the first port of call was the Circle8 brewery in the Alsterdorfer suburb. This has a small taproom set back from the main road which is open during the week. It was a very sunny day, so all the tables were outside with a relaxed attitude. Brewer Nikhil Jani was behind the bar, originally from London, obviously very passionate about his beers and we managed to have a few conversations about beer especially his. These are more of the IPA and stout style rather than Keller beer and Pils, and included Passion8 which is brewed with Passion fruit and was, hmm, interesting. The Golden Ale and Atlantic Ale are more standard fare, with the latter

The Beer scene in Hamburg

Dave Brown



being highly recommended and causing a later departure than originally planned!

New day, and new brewery to visit. The Landgang Brauerei is in the Altona district, which used to be a separate city at one time. In an industrial unit with a bar in an old shipping container, on this sunny day most of the customers were sitting outside or playing basketball. Brewery tours were possible, but I settled for sampling

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the Wuidsau (Red/Amber), Helles (blond) and Amerikanisier Traum (IPA). Very much in the UK/American modern brewery style, rather than the traditional German beer hall!

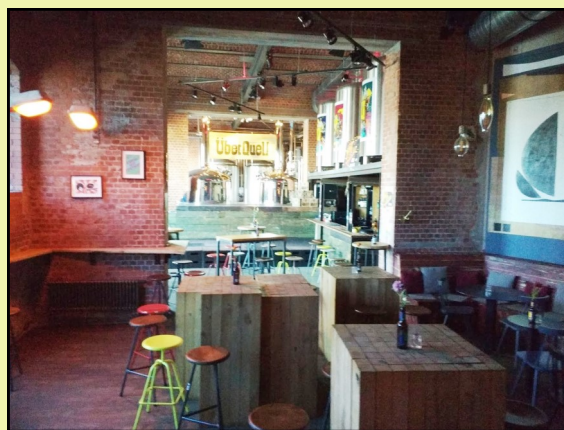
One item that came out of my chat with Nikhil at Circle8 was that another

brewery had just opened a new bar in Hamburg, and as that happened to be open the following day it seemed rude not to try it. The brewery in question was Buddelship which has been going for a couple of years and they have opened the Oorlam bar in partnership the Filosoof Jenever distillery. A street corner bar, with natty beer taps in the form of dock derricks, the beer choice was mainly Buddelship beers, although there were some guests including Wylam Brewery Us & Them. Chatting with Nienke, the Filosoof distiller, Simon the Buddelship brewer learnt his trade in London and then returned to Hamburg, so it will be of no surprise that the beers are of an international flavour. The Great Escape (IPA),



Steelyard (Pale Ale) and Belgian Pale Ale were all sampled and found to be very acceptable.

Hamburg is, of course, a major port and one of the main attraction is the Altona Fishmarket. Just along the waterfront from this heading back to Hamburg proper is the Uberquell Brewpub. As it was a hot day, the brewpub itself was shut with instead bar outside serving the patio. Again, they



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appear to be concentrating on the American styles, and the IPA I had was very acceptable.

If you want a more traditional German beer, further along the waterfront at the main ferry terminal is Blockbräu. Occupying the building below the clocktower, this is a large brewpub serving the traditional style of German beer with their Pilsener being the main brew. This was quite tasty and perfect to go with some food on a hot day.

The final stop on this whistle stop tour was the Alles Elbe bar. It may have a small brewery in the back, but it is basically a cellar bar a couple of blocks north of the Reeperbahn in St Pauli. The basic concept for the beers is that they all come from breweries on or near the Elbe River, which basically means Hamburg, Berlin or Czech Republic. A friendly place with bar on the right and seating on the left, with some chairs outside on the pavement. I went inside to avoid the cigarette smoke, and had a very pleasant time sampling the Wildwuchs Alt Kanzler, Simian Ales IPA and Landgang Anstich, all of which are from the Hamburg area, with the former two being cuckoo



breweries, although Wildwuchs are due to open their own Brewery in July. There was even a pub quiz (in English) going on while I was there. So Hamburg is becoming a good beer destination, although it is not a very typical German one. Whether that is a good thing I will leave you to decide, but the beers I had made it a very good trip for me. DJB

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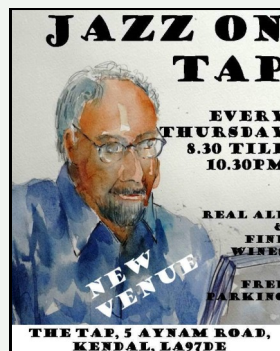
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Brewery Updates

Updates have been received by our Brewery Liaison Officers
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Appleby Brewery

Appleby Brewery are still looking for new premises having moved out of the Eden village of Morland and still have the 5 beers in their range. Fred Mills is looking at label re-designs and is also in the early stages of developing a recipe for a new 3.8-4% Porter for the autumn. *Richard Owen, BLO*

Bowness Bay Brewery

The brewery, as last winter, has recently produced some more strong ales to be stored in old whisky casks for some five months. There will be two brews. A stronger version of their Steamer Stout and also a strong version of their Red Ale; both should finish at around 8.5% and whilst most will be bottled some casks will be made available to selected pubs.

The Brewery continues to be very busy with two brews per day on their 12 barrel kit. Some summer specials are also in the pipeline for later this summer. *David Currington Acting BLO*

Brac'N'brew

With the introduction of our 500ml bottle range in the winter, we have seen demand for both our bottle range and also our cask range increase and we can now say that we have our beers spread around the county. We have also introduced a sample table and we can now go out to events around Cumbria showcasing our range to people, we have already got a number of dates put into the diary and are very much looking forward to the summer, it certainly feels like an exciting time for Brack'N'Brew. *Steve Charlton BLO*

Chadwicks Brewery

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Dent Brewery

No report received from Brewery.

Eden Brewery

2018 is shaping up to be just as busy and exciting as 2017 for Eden, as it welcomes new beers to its range and prepares to explore new markets.

The brewery, based in Penrith, consolidated its traditional range of beers early in the year - bidding farewell to its 20 per cent rye brewed Blonde Knight and welcoming two permanent additions Eden Pale and Eden Cracker to sit alongside the old favourites Best, Fuggle, Gold and First Emperor.

The brewery recently released the latest range of 440ml canned beers with packaging designed by students from University of Cumbria. It is the second

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year the brewery has run its Eden Student Design Project, which challenges graphic design students to create the artwork for a special range of beers.

This year the range will consist of four fruit-based beers with cans designed by student Sam Mallard.

At the same time, the brewery is also in the process of revamping its high-hopped 330ml can range with new artwork which will give drinkers a very up close and personal view of the brewery team.

Managing director Jason Hill said, "The new cans for the 330ml range will give people a bit of a laugh I think, but we're going to keep the exact designs a secret for now!"

"So far we've been so busy that 2018 has flown by and, as usual, we've been working hard to keep up with demand. In fact, it's just as well the weather has been a bit chilly this spring or people's thirst might have outstripped capacity!"

Richard Owen, BLO

Handsome Brewery

The new bar with outside seating by the river is now open every weekend with at least 3 cask beers on, but usually four with its Blacksmith stout and very popular FKR lager on keg, both of which won awards in March in Liverpool at the annual SIBA awards, where the brewery won two Golds.

Inside the building Handsome Brewery has already installed a bar for the new Gaddum restaurant and lounge venue.

Upcoming events include a bar at the Great North Swim at Brockhole on the side of Windermere. July 1st is this year's Potter the Fell eight mile beer walk. Beer stations are located around the route. Sign up quickly; last year the brewery had 180 people and numbers this year are limited to 250.

A new beer due to be launched is the Handsome Hound with donations to Wainwrights animal shelter. It's a cheeky IPA with an ABV of "Four Paw Cent"

It is being launched on June 15th, which is national beer day at various pubs around the Lakes.

Consult the breweries Facebook page [handsomeatbowstonbridge](https://www.facebook.com/handsomeatbowstonbridge) or call in for more details on where to find a pint.

Next on the development plans is a beer to celebrate the anniversary of the first World War. More details in the next edition of Lakes and Ales.

Ronnie Mullin BLO



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Hawkshead collaborated with Wylam back in April brewing a Double Dry Hopped Pale with citra, chinook and Amarillo, this will be launched with the other seven collaborations beers from, Thornbridge, Magic Rock, Buxton, Cloudwater, Box Social, Black Lodge and Northern Monk on 22nd June, beers available in keg and to buy in a special 8 can box. Hawkshead's Beer Hall will host one of the launches from 5pm.

New Beers

Imperial Flump King – 10%

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Unfashionably Late – 7.4%

DDH HAZY IPA - The aroma is full on tropical fruit with a hint of blackcurrant. Hawkshead used 25/g of dry hop per litre with citra, mosaic and galaxy

Smooth Criminal - 5.6% CASK & KEG

Brewed in collaboration with Behemoth Brewing Company from New Zealand. Smooth Criminal brings the soft full mouthfeel of a smoothie and the bitterness and aromas of an IPA. Brewed with Mango and peach puree and dry hopped with Citra. The beer pours hazy golden with pronounced aromas of mango and tropical fruits, a full mouthfeel from the addition of oats, wheat and lactose which is almost brushed aside in the finish with an pithy bitter finish from the fruit and hops.

The Wheat Goes on - 4.5% Cask & Keg

An evolution of style from our collaboration with Modern Times brewery called Fortunate Tarns. This beer is all about the wheat - made up of 40% wheat malt and Maris Otter. The mouthfeel is full and smooth, layered upon with massive late additions of Citra, Amarillo and Galaxy hops. The result: enticing aromas of tropical fruit, big hits of pineapple, mango and tangerine with low bitterness and soft mouthfeel which makes for a very easy drinking session beer. This beer is naturally cloudy due to the high presence of wheat malt and also is vegan friendly.

La'al Lager -4% Cask & Keg

LA'AL BY NAME BIG BY FLAVOUR! Made from lager malt with a small addition of malted wheat. Hopped with German varieties Hallertau Blanc and Tettnang and dry hopped with NZ Motueka to complement the beer rather than over power it. Very crisp and clean with a delicate spicy, herbal bitterness which sweeps across the palate. On the nose expect subtle floral notes and

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enticing aromas of lime. Unfiltered and unfined this beer pours slightly hazy and is also vegan friendly.

I think that is enough to be going on with.

David Currington BLO

Helm Bar Appleby

No response from Helm Bar

Steve Charlton BLO

Kendal Brewery NEW

The new Brewery, to be installed in the yard at the Masons Yard 24, is hoped to be in production by the time of the next issue

Acting BLO David Currington

Kirkby Lonsdale Brewery OK

The brewery is very busy at present as they have now taken on the Kircabi Coffee roasters and this is situated in the Royal Barn. So as well as getting the aromas of the beer being brewed you also have the aroma of coffee roasting when this is taking place. Stuart the head brewer is now also the head coffee roaster. This could now have an effect on some future brews. In fact they have already produced a new beer "Kircabi Pale Ale" or KPA at 4.6%. This was brewed using their roasted coffee which was added during racking which gives late coffee flavours to the beer.

Stuart is extra busy with his other pursuits and is taking part in an off road 550 mile mountain bike ride in the Scottish Highlands. In connection with this they have relabelled a batch of their bottled Jubilee Stout and named it "Highland Trail 550". All proceeds from the sale of this will go to CancerCare and £1500 has been raised already.

Colin Ashton BLO

Tirril Brewery

By popular request, Tirril are again distributing their beers in and around the Barnard Castle and Middleton-in-Teesdale area in County Durham, where they have been received well as old acquaintances.

The brewer's Pennine Pilsner keg lager is being tested during February to see if it conforms to being gluten free, which looks likely. To pass, it has to be less than 50 parts per million gluten.

If accreditation is passed, Tirril will again bottle the pilsner and also work on any small changes to the Ullswater Blonde (pale ale) on cask and bottle to develop that to conform to gluten-free specifications with a view to selling a gluten-free real ale.

Richard Owen, BLO

Watermill Brewery

At the moment there is an American IPA in the conditioning plant, the bridge is under construction with the aim of the new brewery being built by the end of 2019. On the ale side, Golden Retriever (originally brewed for the Westmorland Beer Festival) is proving very popular at the moment

Tony Jackson BLO

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Grasmere Guzzler Beer Festival
Friday 31 August – Sunday 2 September 2018
Tweedies Bar (Dale Lodge Hotel), Grasmere
For details see www.dalelodgehotel.co.uk/.

WESTMORLAND CAMRA

FUTURE MEETINGS

Please let Caroline know if you are planning to attend. If you are a driver, please give her the names of all your passengers – it's the best way to avoid double-counting. Many thanks. All meetings start at 8pm.

Monday 11th June, 8pm, Patterdale pub crawl

Monday 9th July, 8pm, branch meeting at The Stag, Dufton

Saturday 11th August, meet at Kendal bus station to catch the 11.10 route 555 to Keswick; first pub Wainwrights in Keswick then we'll make our way back to Kendal via whichever pubs en-route those attending wish to visit. If you wish to join further along the route, please check the bus timetable accordingly. Cost approx £12 for an all day bus ticket plus beer and food.

Monday 10th September, 8pm, branch meeting at the Fell Bar, Kendal

For details of Kendal transport and future events or to book a seat on the minibus, please contact: Carline Schwaller

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For Eden transport please contact Steve Charlton at steveknock54@gmail.com or 07432 671699

Camra LocAle promotes pubs serving locally brewed ale. The Sustainable Communities Act, supported by Camra, suggests the definition of Local as brewed within 30 miles of the point of sale. Westmorland Camra adds to this definition with “any beer brewed within Cumbria or North Lancashire- as far south as Lancaster and Morecambe.”

The following Pubs are listed on WhatPub as regularly serving Local Ales. This list was checked in June 2018, but if there is any we have missed please let us know and we will update the relevant website entries.

Badger Bar- Ambleside	Riflemans Arms- Kendal
Queens Hotel- Ambleside	Ring O' Bells- Kendal
White Lion- Ambleside	Royal Hotel- Kirkby Lonsdale
Midland Hotel- Appleby- In-	Platos- Kirkby Lonsdale
Westmorland	Royal Barn- Kirkby Lonsdale
Hare & Hounds Inn- Bowland Bridge	Kings Arms Hotel- Kirkby Lonsdale
Boathouse- Bowness- On- Windermere	Orange Tree- Kirkby Lonsdale
Butchers Arms- Crosby Ravensworth	Sun Hotel- Kirkby Lonsdale
Punch Bowl Inn- Crosthwaite	Kirkston Pass Inn- Kirkstone Pass
George & Dragon- Dent	Hare & Hounds Inn- Levens
Sun Inn- Dent	Three Shires Hotel- Little Langdale
Stag Inn- Dufton	Station Inn- Oxenholme
Britannia Inn- Elterwater	Brackenrigg Inn- Penrith
Tweedies Bar- Grasmere	White Horse Inn- Penrith
Old Dungeon Ghyll Hotel- Great	Dalesman- Sedbergh
Langdale	Beer Hall- Staveley
Brotherswater Inn- Hartsop	Mortal Man- Troutbeck
Watermill- Ings	Black Labrador- Underbarrow
Factory Tap- Kendal	Gate Inn at Yanwath- Yanwath
Romneys- Kendal	

Camra Members Discount Scheme.

A number of pubs within our branch offer a discount for Camra members on production of their card. This list was checked on Whatpub in June 2018, but if there is any we have missed, or any who have stopped offering a discount, please let us know and we will update the relevant website entries.

Badger Bar- Ambleside	New Union- Kendal
Wheatsheaf Inn- Brigsteer	Royal Barn- Kirkby Lonsdale
Punch Bowl Inn- Crosthwaite	Orange Tree- Kirkby Lonsdale
George & Dragon- Dent	Dalesman- Sedbergh
Castle Inn- Kendal	Beer Hall- Staveley
Ring O' Bells- Kendal	

For details of each offer please see their individual Whatpub pages, websites or social media. Please be aware that any of these offers can be removed at any time.

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Station Hotel PDF as last time

NB No membership form this time

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