

High Peak, Tameside and North East Cheshire CAMRA

Branch meeting

Tuesday 10th May 8pm The Station Buffet Bar, Stalybridge

Minutes

1. **Present:** Peter Mitchell, Ben Zwierink (chair), Kevin Wilson, Rod Oliver, Tom Lord, Andy Potter, Jax Wells, Phil Moss, Neil Hay, Geoff Lees, Martyn Arden, Nick Earle, Steve Parsons
2. **Apologies for absence:** John Litt, Mike Knowles, Steve Wright, Colin Phillips, Frank Wood, Geoff Williamson
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting** were *agreed*.
4. **Pub news—**
 - a. Jack's Bar now closing Tuesday and Wednesday
 - b. Corner Cupboard (Glossop) now serving cask (Wainwright)
 - c. Sportsman (Strines) will be re-opening at the end of July
5. **Brewery News**
 - a. Globe produced a special for the Outlaw festival – Outlaw 4.8% Golden Pale
 - b. Poynton Brewery now operating as part of Neighbourhood Brew Co. Craft keg badged as Neighbourhood Brew, and most cask still badged as Poynton, with occasional Neighbourhood Brew cask (e.g. currently NB Milk Stout). New brewer, Jake Astbury, formerly at First Chop.
 - c. Chadkirk Brewery – no changes
 - d. Stockport – some new beers, including Olicana 4.0% pale ale
 - e. Millstone have a new brewer, Tom Braithwaite, and two new beers – Trinnacle, a 4.2% hoppy amber ale, and Citra, a 4.0% pale
6. **Officers' reports**
 - a. Chair
 - i. GM regional meeting 30/4/22
 - ii. Phil Moss (RD) re-elected, but will stand down after 1 more year
 - iii. Regional account closed
 - iv. Volunteers needed for Regional Equipment officer(s)
 - v. Campaign to save the Briton's Protection from PubCo and development
 - vi. Guest speaker Catherine Tonry (NE, GBBF organiser)
GBBF22 smaller than previous years

- vii. Next Regional Meeting 1pm Saturday 16th July Petersgate Tap
- viii. New branch website is at <https://highpeak.camra.org.uk/>
- b. Treasurer – balance now £722.09, with amount owing for closure of old account
- c. membership secretary – 1147 members (-26 on month)
- d. beer scoring coordinator - 4224 scores in last 12 months
- e. social secretary
 - i. Socials as in schedule for May, June and July – times and venues to be advised
 - ii. Tom Lord will stand down as social secretary at AGM
 - iii. Rod Oliver is planning the overseas trip to Antwerp in October. Details, including dates, to follow.
- f. Secretary
 - i. Volunteers needed to collate Opening Times material, and to co-ordinate distribution (TL wishes to hand over)

7. Meetings schedule

Date and time	Day	Meeting	Venue
May 14 th 1pm	Saturday	Cellarman presentation + social	Old Hall, Whitehough
May 14 th 5pm	Saturday	Club of the Year presentation	Buxworth Club
May 21 st 12noon	Saturday	High Peak Beer Festival trip (buy tickets in advance online)	Chapel-en-le-Frith Town Hall
June 11 th 1:30pm	Saturday	Branch meeting and Social	Half Way House, Ashton
June 18 th TBD	Saturday	Branch trip to Horwich	TBD
July 2 nd TBD	Saturday	Stalybridge social	TBD
July 11 th 8pm	Monday	AGM	Harewood Arms
July 16 th 1pm	Saturday	GM CAMRA	Petersgate Tap
July 23 rd 2:30pm	Saturday	Pub of the Summer presentation and social	Beer Shed
August 13 th 1:30pm	Saturday	Branch meeting and social	Queens, Buxton TBC
August 30 th TBD	Tuesday	Branch trip to Shrewsbury	TBD
September 19 th 8pm	Monday	Branch meeting	Carters Arms, Denton TBC
October 1 st 1pm	Saturday	GM CAMRA	Manchester TBD

8. Watch List

7 pubs which were considered for GBG23, but which have fewer than 5 surveyors, were *agreed* as the starting watchlist:

Kingfisher (Poynton) was *agreed* to be added, unless it already has 5 surveyors or more. [Note added later – currently has 7 surveyors, so not added]

9. Stockport Beer Festival Publicity Materials were taken by members for distribution.

10. Opening Times May/June edition will shortly be made available to distributors.

11.AOB

- a. Members with information about pubs and clubs with bowling greens which may be used by members of the public – please pass this on to Tom Lord, who is planning an article for Opening Times
- b. Beatnikz Republic Brewing Co has ceased trading
- c. Kelham Island Brewery has ceased trading
- d. Tom Lord will liaise with Frank Wood about reviving the Sunday morning branch walks

12. Date of next meeting – 1:30pm Saturday June 11th Half Way House, Ashton.

Peter Mitchell, Secretary