

# Introduction

A warm wintry welcome to the Winter Garden and Eastbourne's ninth annual Beer Festival, organised by Eastbourne Borough Council in association with CAMRA.

This year's festival which comes a little later in our usual calendar proves worth the wait as over 150 cask ales are at the ready!

A generous selection of farm ciders, perries, bottled beers, wines plus hot and cold food and pub-style snacks enable you to enjoy the festival, combining eating with drinking.

An abundance of entertainment will feature each session including live music and Morris dancing as well as a variety of pub games for your participation.

Special thanks go to CAMRA – South East Branch Members and Headquarters for their valued assistance again this year as well as Harveys, HT White, Dark Star and 1648 Brewery for their generous sponsorship.

I wish you an enjoyable time sampling the delights of real ale and hope to welcome you to another Eastbourne event very soon.

**Councillor Carolyn Heaps, Mayor of Eastbourne**

CAMRA is pleased to be invited again by Eastbourne Borough Council to help with the selection, racking and serving of over 150 different real ales.

We at CAMRA believe that everyone should have the opportunity to sample a wide range of ales, many of which are rarely served in local pubs.

The South East Sussex Branch of CAMRA is extremely proud of its successful promotion of local Sussex beers. You can find many of them here in the Devonshire Hall, some showcased on hand pumps.

Over the nine years the Eastbourne Beer Festival has been running, the standard and choice of ales, both nationally and particularly in this area, have improved enormously. There are many pubs selling a wider selection of ales and ciders than before and some which serve ale or real cider where none was previously available. If you have enjoyed your ale and/or cider here, please support your local pubs if they are seeking to provide more choice.

To find out more about CAMRA please visit our stand in the Floral Hall Foyer.

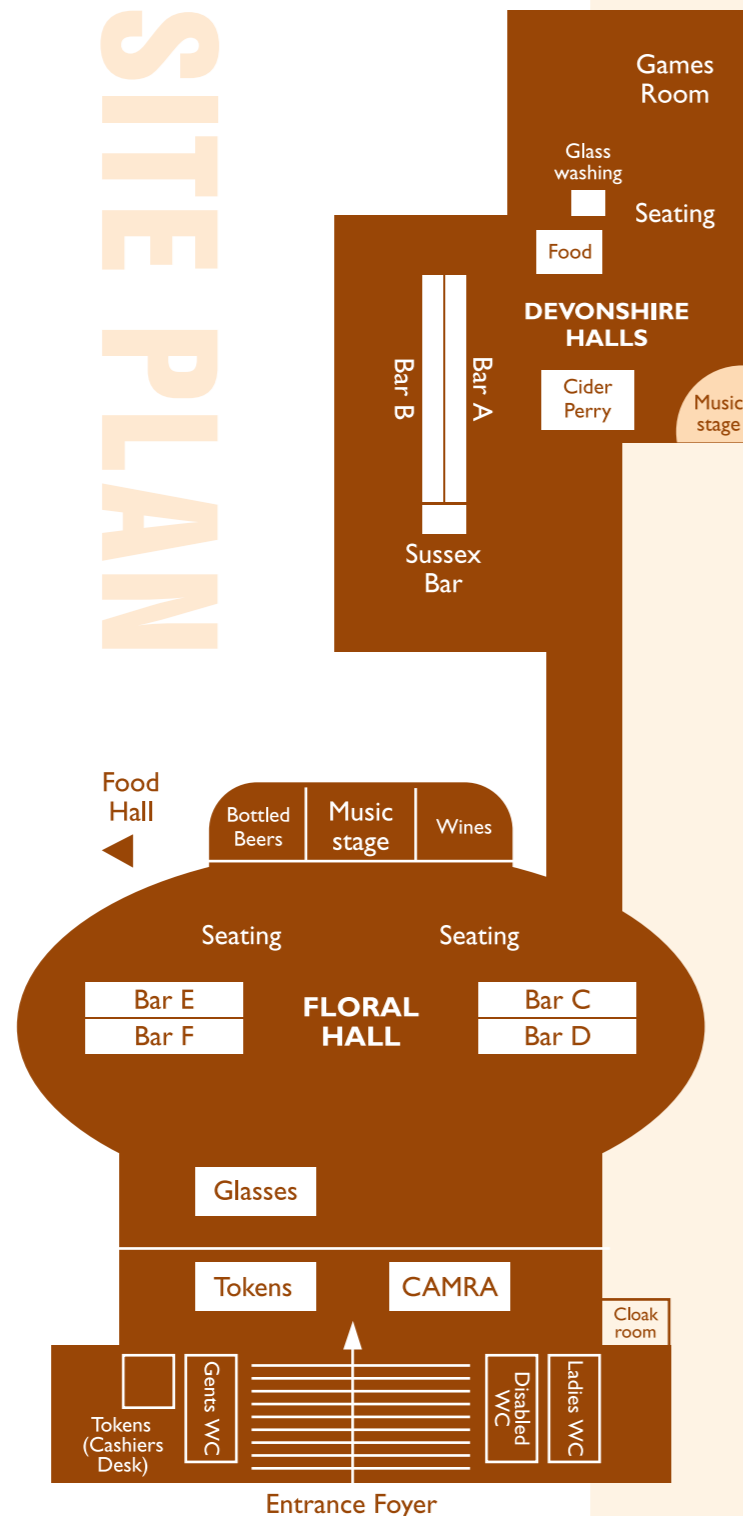
**Peter Adams**  
Chairman, CAMRA South East Sussex Branch



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# Information

Drinks can only be purchased using tokens available from the Cashiers' Desks. No cash will be accepted at the bars. Last Orders are 10 minutes prior to closing of the session with 10 minutes 'drinking up time'.

Beer Festival souvenirs are available from the Cashiers' Desks with other ale related souvenirs found at various stands.

# Pub Games

The Games Room is located at the far end of the Devonshire Park Halls (see Site Plan). Games are available for all:

**Traditional Pub Games** – A variety is kindly available by Tony Carter which includes Shove Ha'Penny, Shuffleboard and Toad-in-the-Hole.

**Bar Skittles** – A pub version of ten pin bowling using wooden pins and balls – create a team with your friends and have some fun.

**Table Top Games** – Available at all sessions and includes Dominoes, Chess, Draughts, Backgammon and Cards. Just sign out your chosen game with staff in the Games Room.

**Shuffleboard** – There are two versions of this game which is a cross between curling and bowls. The large floor-based game will be available depending on crowd numbers and is played in pairs.

**Toad-in-the-Hole Competition – Thursday 7.30pm-10.30pm**

Several local Sussex pubs are the proud owners of this traditional pub game with leagues and championships held each year. We are pleased to be hosting the ninth 'Eastbourne Beer Festival Toad Competition'. The trophy will be awarded to the winning team in the main hall.

Special thanks to the companies who have contributed sponsorship to the ninth Eastbourne Beer Festival:

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We would also like to thank the following who have supported this year's Festival:

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- CHICHESTER BEER FESTIVAL • CAMRA HEADQUARTERS •
- EASTBOURNE THEATRES • LONG MAN MORRIS • HUNTERS MOON MORRIS •
- TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE • TONY CARTER • MILES JENNER •
- MIDDLE FARM (NATIONAL CIDER COLLECTION) •

# Entertainment 2011

**Thursday** – Cold Shot, The Tourle Brothers, The Bonanza, Howlin' Blues

**Friday** – Ragati String Band, The Mojo Makers, Smugg Jam

**Saturday (day)** – Band of Two, Long Man Morris Masterclass, Hunters Moon Morris

**Saturday (evening)** – The Cajun Dawgs, Beve and the Beatroots, Smugg Jam presents...

# Beer of the Festival

There are three opportunities to vote for prize winning brews this year – so make your vote count!

HT White Beer of the Festival; CAMRA Sussex Microbrew of the Festival which will be awarded to a local Brewery and Star of Eastbourne Beer of the Festival (Sussex Exemption) which Harvey's Brewery will award to the most popular national brew.

You can collect a voting slip from the Beer Glass Collection Point or the Cashiers' Desks in the foyer by 8pm on Saturday evening.

Once completed please post in the boxes provided. Winner will be announced at 10pm.

All completed voting slips will be entered into a **FREE PRIZE DRAW** for two Aviator Club seats at Airbourne, Eastbourne's International Airshow, on Sunday 12th August 2012, so make sure you add your name and address on the back.

# Eastbourne Events 2012

- **Magnificent Motors** 5th & 6th May
- **Cycling Festival** 19th & 20th May
- **Fiesta/Queen's Diamond Jubilee** 2nd to 5th June
- **AEGON International Tennis** 16th to 23rd June
- **999 Emergency Services Display** 7th & 8th July
- **Eastbourne Extreme** 14th & 15th July
- **Airbourne International Airshow** 9th to 12th August
- **Beer Festival** 4th to 6th October
- **Beachy Head Marathon** 27th October

For further information on all our annual events register at [events@eastbourne.gov.uk](mailto:events@eastbourne.gov.uk)

**0871 663 0031\*** [www.visiteastbourne.com](http://www.visiteastbourne.com)

\*Calls cost 10p per minute from BT landlines. Calls from non BT lines and mobile networks may vary.

Whilst every care has been taken in compiling this programme, Eastbourne Borough Council cannot accept responsibility for changes and cancellations.

# Ciders and Perries

<b>Appledram</b> West Sussex (Medium) <i>Zesty-apple West Country style with hints of honeysuckle.</i>	7.5%	<b>Severn Sider</b> Gloucestershire (Sweet) <i>Funky aroma of mushroom, cheddar cheese, wood and apple skin; apple juice flavour with hints of citrus and honey.</i>	6.3%
<b>Biddenden</b> East Sussex (Medium) <i>Sweet, flowery, sharp and beautifully balanced flavours that keep on developing.</i>	8.0%	<b>Springfield 'Red Dragon'</b> Gwent (Medium) <i>Cloudy yellow gold in colour with citrus, hints of caramel and light apple aroma.</i>	7.2%
<b>Burrow Hill</b> Somerset (Dry) <i>Smooth, easy to drink, refreshing, dry and definitely leaves you wanting more.</i>	6.0%	<b>Totham 'Kneecracker'</b> Essex (Medium) <i>Cider apple varieties; Characterful and not for the faint of heart.</i>	8.5%
<b>Chiddingstone</b> Kent (Medium/Sweet) <i>Perfumed and spicy with a sharp edge. Tastes innocent but packs a punch.</i>	7.5%	<b>Wiscombe 'Suicider'</b> Devon (Medium/Dry) <i>Clear light to medium orange colour with aroma of apples, vanilla and wood notes.</i>	8.0%
<b>Chucklehead</b> Devon (Dry) <i>Aroma is moderate to light heavy apple with a tart flavour of apples and peel.</i>	7.0%	<b>Broadoak</b> Somerset (Sweet) <i>Clear, almost without colour with a sweet, light pear flavour and aroma.</i>	7.5%
<b>Double Vision 'Vision in Pink'</b> Kent (Medium Sweet) <i>Be the first to write your own review.</i>	7.4%	<b>Double Vision 'Impeared Vision'</b> Kent (Medium) <i>Moderate pear aroma with a heavy sweet and light acidic flavour.</i>	7.4%
<b>Gwatkins 'Kingston Black'</b> Hereford (Dry) <i>Moderate to light heavy apple, tart apple, sour apple, sulphur notes aroma.</i>	7.5%	<b>Gregg's Pit</b> Hereford (Medium/Dry) <i>Sharp, tart, musty, woody aroma; Tart, fruity flavour with some woody tannins.</i>	7.5%
<b>Hecks 'Brown's Apple'</b> Somerset (Medium Sweet) <i>Good fruity zappy apple shock; feels like your mouth has done a workout!</i>	6.5%	<b>Newton 'Autumn Harvest'</b> Hereford (Medium/Sweet) <i>Slightly hazy golden colour; Flavour is fruits, tart apple, yeast, mild grapes, spices and mild cheesy notes.</i>	5.0%
<b>Hecks 'Port Wine of Glastonbury'</b> Somerset (Medium Sweet) <i>Full and juicy, spicy apples aroma; Thick and lightly warming with lots of sweetness, a mild tart balance and some woodiness.</i>	6.5%	<b>Gwynt y Draig 'Two Trees'</b> Glamorgan (Medium/Sweet) <i>Like downing a juicy liquid pear drop sweet, really fruity and fairly moreish.</i>	4.5%
<b>Naish/Chant 'Badger's Spit'</b> Somerset (Dry) <i>Soft, unpretentious, great cider.</i>	Well over 8.9%	<b>Little Red Rooster</b> East Sussex (Dry) <i>Mix of apples with pears.</i>	8.4%
<b>Orchard Pig</b> Somerset (Medium) <i>Aroma of tart apples with a moderate sweet and light to moderate acidic with a long duration flavour.</i>	6.5%	<b>Severn Sider Perry</b> Gloucester (Sweet) <i>Perry pear blend, whisky-casked.</i>	6.4%
<b>New Forest 'Snake Catcher'</b> Hampshire (Medium) <i>Firm and fruity on the palate with moderate tannin. A very decent drop.</i>	7.0%	<b>Out of the Orchard</b> Gloucester (Dry) <i>Be the first to write your own review.</i>	6.0%
<b>Pookhill 'Rum Reserve'</b> East Sussex (Medium/Dry) <i>Moderate to heavy apple and rum aroma with a heavy sweet, vinegar and dry flavour.</i>	8.4%		
<b>Rosie's 'Wicked Wasp'</b> Wales (Dry) <i>Moderate crispy apples and wood aroma with a moderate to heavy sweet apple flavour with dusty notes.</i>	7.4%		

**Vote for your favourite Cider and Perry of the Festival**

Collect a Voting Slip from the Cider Bar and return it to the ballot box provided.

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# Beer Tasting Notes

The breweries with an **(M)** denote they are a Sussex Microbrewery and eligible for a vote in the CAMRA Microbrew Beer of the Festival Award.

This letter relates to Bar location

<b>Adnams</b>		
<b>Southwold Bitter</b> 3.7%	F	
<i>Copper-coloured beer, late and dry-hopped with Fuggles for a distinctive, lingering hoppiness.</i>		
<b>Arundel (M)</b>		
<b>Castle</b> 3.8%	Sussex	
<i>Tawny coloured with a hoppy aroma; good balance of malt, fruit and hops with a dry hoppy finish.</i>		
<b>Gold</b> 4.2%	Sussex	
<i>A light golden beer with a malty, fruit flavour leading to an assertive hop in the finish.</i>		
<b>Batemans</b>		
<b>Autumn Fall</b> 4.2%	F	
<i>A copper red beer brewed with Maris Otter pale, crystal and amber malts and hopped with classic Goldings variety.</i>		
<b>Bath</b>		
<b>Barnstormer</b> 4.5%	F	
<i>Fruits dominate the smell and sweet malt infuses the taste. Burnt embers mingle with the fruity nose resulting in a complex dark bitter with traces of chocolate.</i>		
<b>Beachy Head (M)</b>		
<b>Legless Rambler</b> 5.0%	Sussex	
<i>Brambling cross hops give its distinct flavour. The name is in tribute to those who walk the South Downs Way.</i>		
<b>Original</b> 4.5%	Sussex	
<i>Produced with only water, floor malted barley and challenger hops from English producers. An English bitter with a strong hoppy flavour and light floral notes.</i>		
<b>Southdown Ale</b> 4.4%	Sussex	
<i>This pale ale has sweet bitterness and floral characteristics, brewed using First Gold and Boadicea hops.</i>		
<b>Boggart</b>		
<b>Rum Porter</b> 4.7%	F	
<i>Smooth roast finish, enhanced by a sweet spicy hop taste, complemented with a hint of dark rum.</i>		
<b>Bowman</b>		
<b>Quiver Bitter</b> 4.5%	F	
<i>Rich golden in colour, with a mown grass aroma; flavours include a hint of caramel with a dry hop finish.</i>		
<b>Swift One</b> 3.8%	F	
<i>A pale, golden quaffing ale, hoppy throughout. The finish is dry with a small twist of sweetness at the end.</i>		
<b>Brewsters</b>		
<b>Stilton Porter</b> 4.9%	F	
<i>Dark brown, it smells of roast malt and tastes of dark roast malt and chocolate.</i>		
<b>Burton Bridge</b>		
<b>Sovereign Gold</b> 4.0%	F	
<i>A straw coloured beer with a citrus hop flavour and a dry bitter finish.</i>		
<b>Thomas Sykes</b> 10.0%	F	
<i>Warming ale consisting of pale malt, invert sugar and target hops; straw-like colour and a sherry aroma.</i>		
<b>Butcombe</b>		
<b>Gold</b> 4.7%	F	
<i>Rounded malt with a fresh vitality balanced by the full bittersweet finish of English fuggle hops.</i>		
<b>Caledonian</b>		
<b>Autumn Red</b> 4.4%	F	
<i>A slightly fruity red beer with a hint of malt and a longer caramel taste.</i>		
<b>Deuchars IPA</b> 3.8%	F	
<i>Extremely tasty and refreshing light coloured beer. Hops and fruit are evident and are balanced by a soft maltiness.</i>		
<b>Church End</b>		
<b>What the Fox's Hat</b> 4.2%	F	
<i>A beer with a malty aroma and a hoppy and malty taste with some caramel flavour.</i>		
<b>Conwy</b>		
<b>Rampart</b> 4.5%	F	
<i>A premium bitter with a blend of citrus Goldings and floral Fuggles hops. Dark malts give a dark amber hue and a lasting finish.</i>		
<b>Shipwrecked</b> 5.0%	F	
<i>An IPA triple hopped with Goldings to give the beer a citrus hoppy flavour.</i>		
<b>Copper Dragon</b>		
<b>Black Gold</b> 3.7%	F	
<i>A dark ale with subtle fruit and dark malts on the nose.</i>		
<b>Cottage</b>		
<b>Golden Arrow</b> 4.5%	F	
<i>Golden beer with a powerful floral bouquet, a fruity, full bodied taste with a bitter finish. A thirst quenching pint.</i>		
<b>Crouch Vale</b>		
<b>Amarillo</b> 5.0%	E	
<i>A premium golden ale with a hoppy aroma and a lasting spicy flavour.</i>		

Beer Tasting Notes continued overleaf

**Crouch Vale** *continued*  
**Brewers Gold** 4.0% E  
*Striking grapefruit aroma and generally citrus hoppy character underpinned by a perfumed sweetness and aftertaste of orange wine gums.*

**Dark Star**  
**American Pale Ale** 4.7% Sussex  
*Great citrus flavour, with a whole melange of fruits mixing in with a slightly bready and caramel malt spine. Substantial, but well balanced, this is a gem.*

**Best Bitter** 4.0% Sussex  
*A traditional Sussex style bitter, its character is enhanced by the late addition of aromatic full flower hops.*  
**Festival** 5.0% Sussex  
*Brewed in homage to King & Barnes Festive. A premium strong beer; chestnut-bronze, full of freshness and smooth throughout.*

**Hophead** 3.8% Sussex  
*Extremely clean drinking light straw coloured bitter. Strong floral aroma, light malt with a well balanced refreshing hoppy finish.*

**Oktoberfest** 5.2% Sussex  
*A version of the Oktoberfest Marzen, brewed with imported German malts. Noble hop varieties are added at 3 stages during the boil.*  
**Original** 5.0% Sussex  
*Dark, strong bitter; a complex malt with a hint of burnt flavour from the Crystal and Chocolate grist mixture.*

**Smoked Porter** 5.4% Sussex  
*A smooth dark beer with a mixture of soft hop varieties and a hint of smoked malt.*

**Dorset**  
**Jurassic** 4.7% E  
*An organic clear golden ale with a lingering head. Hop flavours of honey and caramel and a distinct hoppy bitterness in the aftertaste.*

**Edge (M)**  
**Franklins EXP** 4.2% Sussex  
*Crisp English amber bitter, rich in flowery aroma with a harmony of malty sweetness and bitterness.*

**Franklins Chilly Willy** 5.1% Sussex  
*Darker old ale using a fruity hop with a blackcurrant finish.*

**Franklins Dry Hop** 3.6% Sussex  
*Delicious ruby light bitter; fruity aroma, nicely combined with a subtle malty sweetness for a longer aftertaste.*

**Franklins Dark Mild** 4.0% Sussex  
*A dark mild, deep ruby in colour with a smooth malty flavour, good taste and hop aroma.*

**Elgoods**  
**Blackdog Mild** 3.6% E  
*Full-flavoured, black-red, bitter-sweet mild with gentle roast malt aroma with a balance of liquorice and caramel, ending with a persistent dryness.*

**Elgoods** *continued*  
**Cambridge** 3.8% E  
*Deep amber session bitter with a light malty aroma. A bitter, malty palate with underlying hops ending increasingly dry and bitter.*

**Greyhound SB** 5.2% E  
*Full-bodied, copper-coloured with a fruity aroma. Malty, fruity palate with a bitter edge and strong developing dry, bitter finish.*

**Elland**  
**1872 Porter** 6.5% E  
*Award winning Porter based on an original 1872 recipe. Very dark and rich with a complex bittersweet palate, luscious malt flavours with warming rich port aroma and subtle hoppy finish.*

**FILO (M)**  
**Cardinal** 4.6% Sussex  
*Classic black porter brewed with chocolate malt and roasted barley for a smooth deep flavour that even the Irish would have to admit 'is the real thing'.*

**Ginger Tom** 4.5% Sussex  
*A golden brown beer brewed with the addition of root ginger. Has a spicy, hoppy bittersweet finish.*

**Flowerpots**  
**Perridge Pale** 3.6% E  
*Light straw colour with a subtle twist of citrus hop, very refreshing with a perfect clean finish.*

**Frog Island**  
**Croak & Stagger** 5.6% E  
*An initial honey/fruit aroma is overpowered by roast malt then bitter chocolate and pale malt sweetness. Gentle, bittersweet finish.*

**Fullers**  
**London Porter** 5.4% E  
*Rich, dark and complex porter captures the outstanding depth of flavours of those original brews perfectly.*

**Great Heck**  
**Life Begins** 4.0% E  
*A pale ale packed with Nelson Sauvin hops from New Zealand.*

**Treason Stout** 5.4% E  
*Complex stout brewed with a high proportion of wheat as well as malted barley.*

**Super Dave** 5.0% E  
*Brewed to celebrate the 100th batch of beer, this stronger version of 'Dave' is dark and very enjoyable.*

**Gribble (M)**  
**Gribble Ale** 4.1% E  
*A favourite, running a close second to Ferret in popularity. Medium strength, hoppy bitter.*

**Plucking Pheasant** 5.2% E  
*Light dry hopped and available all year round. Don't be fooled by its light appearance and easy drinking.*

**Hammerpot (M)**  
**Bottle Wreck Porter** 4.7% Sussex  
*A traditional black porter with chocolate coffee and rich roast malt flavours which warm your cockles.*

**Pale Ale** 4.2% Sussex  
*A light, golden, tangy pale ale with a full, fresh, hop flavour.*

**Harveys**  
**Armada Ale** 4.5% Sussex  
*A golden bitter, 'dry hopped' to produce a dry, bitter, fruity palate. Well balanced fruit and hops dominate with a splendid aroma.*

**Bonfire Boy** 5.8% Sussex  
*Seasonal amber ale using highly roasted malts to give a slightly burnt quality and hint of smoke.*

**Hadlow Bitter** 3.5% Sussex  
*Made with Hadlow hops, malt and hops dominate the aroma while a hoppy bitterness develops throughout the taste.*

**Lewes Castle Brown Ale** 4.8% Sussex  
*Aroma of liquorice, grape and toffee. Very balanced and pleasant.*

**Star of Eastbourne** 5.5% Sussex  
*A premium dry hopped strong pale ale full of flavour both spicy and sweet.*

**Sussex Best Bitter** 4.0% Sussex  
*Full bodied brown bitter. A hoppy aroma leads to a good malt and hop balance and a dry aftertaste.*

**Sussex XXXX Old Ale** 4.3% Sussex  
*Its devotees every year year for this rich dark beer with a fruity, nutty palate and a malty caramel finish.*

**Hastings (M)**  
**Blonde** 3.7% Sussex  
*Refreshing Golden Ale, hopped with American Cascade hops and a touch of elderflower.*

**Hepworth (M)**  
**Iron Horse** 4.8% Sussex  
*A premium bitter with a dense flavour and subtle sweetness.*

**Hogs Back**  
**T.E.A. or Traditional English Ale** 4.2% E  
*Pale brown malty bitter with a hoppy and slightly fruity aroma. A well crafted bittersweet beer with a long dry finish.*

**Hook Norton**  
**Old Hooky** 4.6% D  
*Well balanced and full bodied pale copper beer. Fruity with malt and hops on the aroma and taste.*

**Jennings**  
**Sneek Lifter** 5.1% D  
*A dark reddish rich strong bitter derived from the use of coloured malts and English aromatic hops.*

**JW Lees**  
**Coronation Street Bitter** 4.2% D  
*Smooth, full bodied, crisp, moreish Manchester ale with a rich, auburn glow.*

**Holdens**  
**Black Country Bitter** 3.9% E  
*Golden straw coloured medium bodied ale, distinctive hop character, balanced with a fruity flavour and malty finish.*

**Hook Norton**  
**Old Hooky** 4.6% D  
*Well balanced and full bodied pale copper beer. Fruity with malt and hops on the aroma and taste.*

**Hop Back**  
**Summer Lightning** 5.0% D  
*A very drinkable pale beer with a fresh, hoppy aroma and malty, hoppy flavour. Finely balanced with intense bitterness and a long, dry finish.*

**Kelham Island**  
**Easy Rider** 4.3% D  
*Easy Rider premium strength pale ale. The initial crisp bitterness gently gives way to a lingering fruity aftertaste.*

**Pale Rider** 5.2% D  
*Well balanced, strong, fruity, full-drinking pale ale, flavoured with North American hops.*

**Kissinggate (M)**  
**Best** 4.0% Sussex  
*A glorious chestnut coloured ale. Pleasant fruity notes with a slightly dryer finish.*

**Old Tale Porter** 4.5% Sussex  
*Full roasted flavours using a blend of pale black and amber malts. Simply delicious.*

**Larkins**  
**Porter** 5.2% D  
*Sweet, plum, chocolate and coffee aroma.*

**Traditional Bitter** 3.4% D  
*Tawny in colour, a full tasting hoppy ale with plenty of character for its strength.*

**Lymestone**  
**Ein Stein** 5.0% D  
*A continental style pale ale brewed with the German Hersbrucker hop. Floral, zesty aroma and plenty of citrus fruit lead to a clean finish and good bitterness kick.*

**Mauldons**  
**Black Adder** 5.3% D  
*A dark stout. Roast malt is strong in the aroma and taste but malt, hop and bitterness provide an excellent balance and a lingering finish.*

**Dickens** 4.0% C  
*A light coloured bitter with a fine distinctive hop nose. A refreshingly dry fruity finish.*

**Suffolk Pride** 4.8% C  
*Full bodied strong dry bitter, light in colour with an aroma of hops and fruit.*

**Meantime**  
**London Pale Ale** 4.3% C  
*Mix of spearmint, grass and 'hop sack' aromas with fruity citrus flavours and a bitter finish.*

**Milestone**  
**Black Pearl** 4.3% C  
*Produced using an authentic Irish recipe. A mix of roast and malt with some caramel and hop, give a moderately bitter finish.*

**Cool Amber** 6.0% C  
*Pilsner style full bodied golden ale.*

**Rich Ruby** 4.5% C  
*Lightly hopped with a malty berry finish.*

**Moorhouses**  
**Pendle Witches Brew** 5.1% C  
*Amber-coloured strong bitter with a flowery, malty aroma. The taste is full bodied and malty with honey-sweet overtones and a dry and bitter finish.*

**Pride of Pendle** 4.1% C  
*An exceptional balance of malt and hops provide a long, dry and satisfying taste.*

**Mordue**  
**Autumn Tyne** 4.0% C  
*Copper coloured with a fruity flavour and bitter finish.*

**Workie Ticket** 4.5% C  
*This award winning ale is a tasty, complex beer with malt and hops throughout and a long satisfying bitter finish.*

**Nethergate**  
**Augustian** 4.5% C  
*Crystal malt and the late hopping with Styrian Goldings create a continental flavour with bitter sweetness and some citrus notes.*

**Old Dairy**  
**Blue Top** 4.8% C  
*A dangerously drinkable pale ale - nice and hoppy with hints of lemon.*

**O'Hanlons**  
**Port Stout** 4.8% C  
*A black beer with a roast malt aroma that remains in the taste but gives way to a hoppy bitterness in the aftertaste.*

**Yellow Hammer** 4.2% C  
*A well balanced, smooth pale yellow beer with a predominant hop and fruit nose and taste, leading to a dry, bitter finish.*

**Pictish**  
**Brewers Gold** 3.8% C  
*A pale golden session beer with malty undertones and a powerful spicy hop aroma.*

**Pilgrim**  
**Porter** 4.1% C  
*A richly coloured beer, very smooth with some roast barley bitterness.*

**Ramsgate**  
**Dogbolter** 5.6% C  
*Brewed with six different malts, full of roasty chocolatey flavours and a lasting hop bitterness.*

**Ramsgate** *continued*  
**Gadds No.3** 5.0% C  
*Kentish ale brewed with pale malt and goldings hops for a fresh, clean taste.*

**RAW**  
**New Dawn Amber** 4.9% B  
*Autumn Special - slightly dry toffee malts with a moderate - fruity hop finish.*

**Red Squirrel**  
**Hertfordshire Hop** 4.5% B  
*A well balanced, copper coloured tasty beer with a hoppy aroma and sweet fruity notes.*

**Ringwood**  
**Fortyniner** 4.9% B  
*Light, fresh hop bouquet. Rounded malt in the mouth with strong hop balance, deep bittersweet finish.*

**Old Thumper** 5.6% B  
*A mid brown beer. A fruity aroma precludes a sweet, malty taste with some fruit. Surprisingly bitter aftertaste with malt and fruit.*

**Robinsons**  
**Cumbria Way** 4.1% B  
*Full bodied bitter with aromas of spicy hop, malt and tart fruit.*

**Double Hop** 5.0% B  
*Rich, classic golden bitter with a balance of hop flavour and bitterness.*

**Old Tom** 8.5% B  
*Full bodied dark beer with malt, fruit and chocolate in the aroma. Delightful range of flavours including dark chocolate and port with a long, bittersweet aftertaste.*

**Rother Valley (M)**  
**Blues** 5.0% Sussex  
*Dark sugar and malt aroma with a soft, creamy, toffee flavour.*

**Copper Ale** 4.1% Sussex  
*Back by popular demand. Try and see.*

**Level Best** 4.0% Sussex  
*Full bodied tawny session bitter with a malt and fruit aroma, malty taste and dry finish. A very refreshing Sussex bitter at its best.*

**Smild** 3.8% Sussex  
*A dark mild with good roasted flavours, fruity aroma and hint of chocolate.*

**Rudgate**  
**Battleaxe** 4.2% B  
*Fuller bodied, reasonably bitter despite its sweet aroma of caramel and toffee; with a nutty flavour.*

**Salopian**  
**Lemon Dream** 4.5% B  
*Light and airy with a crisp, refreshing citrusness.*

**Saltaire**  
**Crystal Red** 4.4% B  
*Deep red crystal malt ale providing rich toffee flavours balanced with classic fuggle hops.*

**Rasperry Blonde** 4.0% B  
*Refreshing blonde ale delicately infused with raspberry flavours.*

**1648 (M)**  
**Armistice** 4.2% Sussex  
*Deep mahogany coloured, a full bodied but mild drinking old style ale.*

**Beehead** 4.6% Sussex  
*A honey coloured ale gently flavoured with Sussex honey with a gentle biscuit edge.*

**Brewmaster** 3.9% Sussex  
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**Saltaire** *continued*  
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