

CAMRA

IPSWICH & EAST SUFFOLK BRANCH

MINUTES OF 22ND March 2018 MEETING

Date: 22nd March 2018 @ 08:06pm

Venue: Spread Eagle

Welcome:

Gordon welcomed 12 people to the meeting.

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Terry, Sophie, Phil and Roger

Minutes of last meeting:

Read & Approved

Officers Reports:

Chairman

Gordon emailed his monthly newsletter. Again feedback seems to be all positive
The CAMRA quiz team won the Fat Cat Quiz, there was talk of suggesting more CAMRA teams in pub quizzes.

Vice-Chairman

Sophie was absent.

Treasurer

Allan reported progress with the VAT situation and now has the required information needed to move forward.
HQ have written off the £1300 invoice outstanding from 2015 IBF. No further transactions in the Branch accounts since last month.

Membership

Tim was absent.

Youth Membership

Chris reported a possible trip to London at the end of July. He also reported a successful tasting panel meeting in Norwich. He was also keen to keep relevant social media up to date. Rae suggested advertising Quoits to the younger members.

Media & Newsletter

Nigel reported the newsletter might have be a little late. He also is on the look out for new articles to put in the magazine.

Social

Matt reported a successful Colchester trip. He also reminded people that there's an upcoming Real Ale Runabout to Sweffling and Great & Little Glemham on the 27/04/2018 at 7pm. He also suggested a weekend up North, possibly to Leeds as a future social event. It was suggested that a ferry trip to Frankfurt to go beer tasting as well as Amsterdam. It was also reported that when the Holbrook Swan reopens, CAMRA will be welcome to come and visit!

Pubs news

Roger was absent.

However, the Three Wise Monkeys is reported to be taking over the site of the Lloyd's Tavern on Lloyds Avenue. There is talk of it being a 3 storey (bar, restaurant and function room) pub. There was also speculation of Robinson's showing interest in the former Golden Lion and Brew Dog looking at the former O'Neill's/Giles Tavern Site.

There are also reports that the locals are trying to buy the The King's Head in Laxfield as a community pub.

Beer Festival

Nigel reported that Ipswich Borough Council had spoke about CAMRA sponsoring the Maritime Beer Festival. As of present, there is no further news regarding this.

Chris mentioned that the festival at the John Peel Centre had been cancelled, but should be rescheduled for later in the year.

Brewery Liaison Officers

- ⤴ **Dove St Inn** – Close to 200th brew.
- ⤴ **Butley Brewhouse** – New brewer started.

Tasting Panel:

Training session to be arranged. Next Panel Thu 19 April, Greyhound, Ipswich

Any Other Business:

Allan discussed the revitalisation changes at length. The CAMRA page link is here <https://revitalisation.camra.org.uk/news/>

The branch thanked Allan for attending the regional meeting on the 10/03/2018.

Next Meeting:

Dove St Inn for brief meeting Cider PoTY presentation & St Georges Day festivities

Meeting closed at 22.00