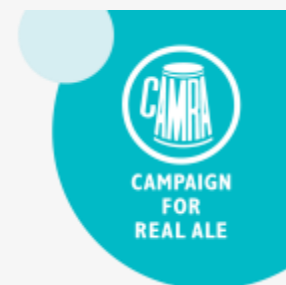


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## **Bromley CAMRA Newsletter November 2019**

Dear CAMRA Member, welcome to this month's newsletter.

This month as usual we have our branch diary, listing details of forthcoming events, details of how to book your place at our Christmas lunch, (*do please read this carefully to avoid disappointment*), a request for a volunteer to take over as our Beer Festival Coordinator, news about Beer Scoring, a tasty taster of an article hopefully (or should that be hop-fully) to be a regular feature about home brewing and lastly news of a pop-up pub event at the Copper Tap in Peckham.

### **November Events**

Monday 11th. Bromley Common Social.

- (7.30pm) [Chequers](#), 177 Southborough Lane. BR2 8AP;
- (8.45pm) [Chatterton Arms](#), 41 Chatterton Rd. BR2 9QW;
- (10pm) [Two Doves](#), 37 Oakley Rd. BR2 8HD.

Wednesday 13th. Young Members (Under 40's) Social.

- Brick Brewery, Arch 209, Blenheim Grove. SE15 4QL.
- NB. Pre-booking is mandatory via web-link on website.
- Further info contact: [Young.Members@bromley.camra.org.uk](mailto:Young.Members@bromley.camra.org.uk)

Tuesday 19th. Petts Wood Social.

- (7pm) [Petts Wood Royal British Legion Club](#), Queensway. BR5 1DH;
- (8pm) [One Inn The Wood](#), 209 Petts Wood Rd. BR5 1LA;
- (9.40pm) [Daylight Inn](#), Station Square. BR5 1LZ.

Tuesday 26th. Committee Meeting.

- (7.30pm) [Graces](#), 1-3 Witham Rd, Birkbeck. SE20 7YA.

Thursday 28th. Dark Beers Festival, Social at the 2019 Greater London Club of the Year.

- (12 noon) [Hope](#), 48 West St, Carshalton. SM5 2PR.

## December Events

Monday 2nd. Pub Beer Festival Social

- (7.30pm) [Bricklayer's Arms](#), 237 High St. Beckenham. BR3 1BN

Tuesday 10th. Young Members (Under 40's) Social.

- (6.30pm) [Real Ale Way](#), 55 Station Approach, Hayes. BR2 7EB
- NB. Pre-booking is mandatory via web-link on website.

## Branch Christmas Lunch

I am pleased to announce that we are holding a branch Christmas lunch social on **Saturday 21st December** at [The Chelsfield](#), 1 Windsor Drive Chelsfield BR6 6EY. This will be a **2 course** meal. The pub's function room is booked for lunch for 1pm, so I would suggest we all meet up at the bar prior to dining.

If you would like to come along, please forward your name and that of any guests to me, Barry Phillips, Social Secretary ([social.secretary@bromley.camra.org.uk](mailto:social.secretary@bromley.camra.org.uk)) so that I can keep track of numbers attending.

To enable the pub to plan for the event, please also indicate for each person that you are making reservations for, your choice for each course of the meal. This should be either a starter and main course or main course and dessert. (Please see the menu below).

Please note that all bookings and payments of deposits must be made by Friday 29th November 2019.

I look forward to seeing you at The Chelsfield on 21st December.

Kind regards

Barry Phillips, Social Secretary



Payment details for the Christmas Lunch at the Chelsfield.

To reserve your place and any guest places:

- Pay **£10 deposit** per person (balance payable on the day).
- Cost of the 2 course meal is £17 per person.

Please make an electronic bank transfer to:

- Bromley CAMRA, 20 45 45, Ac: 70443379
- Please put your name in the reference field,

Alternatively you can pay at your bank, by cheque made out to Bromley CAMRA.

- If you pay by cheque, please email: [treasurer@bromley.camra.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@bromley.camra.org.uk) to confirm you have paid into the branch bank account.

In lodging your deposits, please also don't forget to forward your name and that of any guests and your meal choices, to me, Barry Phillips, Social Secretary [social.secretary@bromley.camra.org.uk](mailto:social.secretary@bromley.camra.org.uk)

NB. In the event that you do not attend, it is unlikely that the pub will issue a refund of deposits (to be confirmed).

## **Beckenham Beer and Cider Festival 2020 - Festival Coordinator Needed**

Bromley CAMRA is planning to run another Beckenham Beer and Cider Festival in 2020.

We are looking for a volunteer to take on the role of Festival Coordinator. The Coordinator's primary role is to chair the Festival Organising Committee which is made up of a team of people with Festival specific jobs relating to beer selection, bars, advertising, staffing, programme, tasting notes, tombola, health and safety, finance etc.

The Coordinator is there to ensure these activities are "coordinated" and, for example, that key deadlines for submission of documents to the CAMRA office are met. Inevitably this also involves convening periodic meetings of the committee at suitable local hostelryes!

Guidance and a full handover will be provided by last year's Coordinator and further information can be found on the main CAMRA website in the Volunteers Area' section [via this link](#).

If you are interested in finding out more, please email [contact@bromley.camra.org.uk](mailto:contact@bromley.camra.org.uk)

## **Beer Scoring Update**

Bromley CAMRA uses Beer Scoring as the means to select pubs and clubs for consideration for entry in the Good Beer Guide (GBG). No pub/club can get into the GBG unless it receives sufficient scores, submitted by enough members throughout the year. To be eligible for consideration, a pub/club must have received not less than 10 scores, from at least 5 different

members, recorded over not less than 4 different calendar months during the year.

As at the end of October more than **3,880** scores had been submitted by 140 members for 92 different pubs/clubs serving real ale. Of those 37 had already received sufficient scores to be eligible for consideration, however the other 55 still need more scores from more members....

The final day for submitting scores for 2012 is **24th December**, please continue to submit your scores until that date. If you have not yet done any beer scoring, why not give it a try next time you visit the pub or a club. More information about beer scoring can be found on the [branch website](#).

The selection meeting for the next edition of the guide (GBG 2021) will be held on Tuesday 14th January 2020. More information about this meeting will be in the December issue of the newsletter.

Bob Keaveney, Beer Score Coordinator

### **Brewing an English Pale Ale from local Beckenham hops**

I was most fortunate in September in that I was the happy recipient of some very fine hops from Bob Keaveney's garden. Harvesting the hops themselves was a great deal of fun on a very hot, late summer day. Besides me, a good crowd of fellow CAMRA Bromley branch members turned up to give a helping hand. Here is a picture of some of us hard at work:



After much hard work and plenty of refreshing beer, as well as fine food from Bob's cuisine, we had a bumper crop of fresh Cascade, Fuggles, Target and Goldings. So, having picked and dried all these fine hops, I decided to brew a traditional English Pale Ale for the benefit of Bromley CAMRA branch members. This will be an all-grain brew using traditional kilned malts and adjuncts.

Have a look at this link to see the recipe and find out how it was brewed and finally bottled: <https://beohhasbrewhouse.com/bromley-camra-branch/>

Charles Tucker, Committee Member

*NB. Bob still has some 2020 Beckenham-grown hops available (free!) if any members of the branch want to use them for home brewing. Email him on [beerscores@bromley.camra.org.uk](mailto:beerscores@bromley.camra.org.uk)*

### **And finally...**

Just a note to mention that our colleagues in South London Branch have posted news on Facebook of a "Pop Up Micropub" event being held at the

Copper Tap on Peckham High Street on Saturday 26 and Sunday 17 November.

The team behind this "The Camberwell Shark" include David C, a Bromley Branch CAMRA member looking to open a micro pub in South London focused on selling locally brewed beer. Beer for the weekend is planned to be sourced from Brick, Brockley, Canopy, Common Rioters and Gipsy Hill with real cider from DuckChicken. Discount for CAMRA members.

News can be found at: <http://www.camberwellshark.co.uk/>

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