

Haywards Heath Cricket Club Beer Festival 2009

Guide to the Beers



Dark Star Brewery, Ansty, West Sussex

Hophead – 3.8%. An extremely clean-drinking pale gold-coloured ale with a strong floral aroma and elderflower notes. This beer is full bodied despite it's very quaffable strength and dryness.

Festival – 5%. A chestnut bronze coloured bitter with a smooth feel and freshness; a classic Sussex style strong bitter.

Original – 5%. This brewer's eponymous former Champion Beer of Britain. A dark, strong and bitter beer with a complex malt flavour.

Winter Meltdown – 5% Brewed with chocolate and crystal malts producing a deep bronze beer with subtle malty flavour and bittered with Golding Hops and conditioned with Chinese ginger and other warming spices

APA –4.7%. The yeast for this American ale is imported from the USA. The Maris Otter malt produces the light colour and dryness to enhance the crisp taste and full hop aroma.

Beers from Other Breweries.

Triple FFF Brewery, Alton, Hants.

Alton's Pride - 3.8% Bronze award at Olympia 2003&4. An initially malty flavour fades as citrus notes and hoppiness take over, leading to a lasting hoppy, bitter finish." Good Beer Guide 2005.

Ballards Brewery, Nyewood, Hants.

Wassail - 6% A strong, full bodied fruity beer tawny red in colour. Wassail won beer of the festival at Cardiff in 1992 and Bronze in the Barley Wine category of the 1993 Champion Beer of Britain.

Arundel Brewery, Arundel, W Sussex.

Stronghold - 4.7% A very smooth, full-flavoured premium bitter. An excellent balance of malt, fruit & hops comes through in this rich, chestnut-coloured beer.

Bowman Brewery, Droxford, Hants.

Nuts - 5% Not a session beer this one. One to be savoured sitting by a roaring log fire. Aroma of Chestnuts, intriguing Chestnut flavours and rather Chestnutty in colour.

Which is as it should be, as it is brewed with organic Chestnuts from the farm of Patrice Dupre in the Ardeche region of France. May contain nuts! And,

South Sea Spice 3.9% - A dark amber beer brewed with fresh root ginger to give it a gentle ginger flavour and a refreshing ginger aroma.

Ramsgate Brewery, Broadstairs, Kent

Dogbolter 5.6% - Roast barley and chocolate and crystal malts combine to give the ale a deep deep ruby colour and sweet mocca and toast flavour.

Crouch Vale Brewery, Chelmsford, Essex.

Amarillo – 5% A superb premium golden ale with wonderful aroma and a lasting spicy flavour.



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RCH Brewery, Weston Super-Mare, North Somerset.

Firebox – 6.0% A reddish deep brown coloured beer which is a deceptively drinkable strong bitter with a fine combination of citrus hops and cherry fruit bittersweet flavours which gives a strong dry bitter finish.

Oakleaf Brewery, Gosport, Hampshire.

I can't believe it's not bitter - 4.9% Cask conditioned lager. Clean and crisp with a fruity aftertaste.

Red Squirrel Brewery, Hertford, Hertfordshire.

Dark Ruby Mild - 3.7% Highly acclaimed by the Daily Telegraph - a deep red rounded genuine ruby mild.

Westons Cider and Perry, Ledbury, Hertfordshire.

Westons Perry 4.5%. Made from perry pears and fully matured in old oak vats to develop its strength and traditional character. Free from all artificial colouring, flavouring and sweetening it retains its natural pale colour.

Little Red Rooster

A cider perry mix from East Sussex - 8.4% Dry. Culinary, dessert & cider apples + pears. A well-rounded crowd pleaser.

Hecks Traditional Cider Company, Street, Somerset.

Port Wine of Glastonbury - 6.5% Medium Sweet Hecks are a well respected makers of quality ciders and perries, Hecks have won numerous national awards. Another single apple variety cider with a rich red colour and mellow finish.

Winkleigh Cider Co, Winkleigh, Devon

Sams Sweet - 6% Sam's Sweet Cider is named in honour of Sam Inch who started the tradition of cider making on the Hatherleigh Road site. It is a clear refreshing drink, which has a taste that appeals to those with a sweet tooth.

Orchards Cider and Perry Company, Brockweir, Chepstow.

Blakeney Red Perry - 6.4% Medium. A popular Gloucestershire perry pear named after the village of Blakeney in the Forest of Dean, which can be red in colour, and makes a very pleasant single variety perry.

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Guide to Cider

Moles Brewery, Melksham, Wiltshire.

Black Rat 6% Med/Dry Black Rat Cider is made by Thatcher's Ciders of the West Country for Moles Brewery. It is a

strong dry premium blend cider of flavour with a clean apple bite.

Gwent Y Ddraig, Pontypridd, Rhondda Cynon Taff, Wales.

Orchard Gold - 4.9% Oak Conditioned. Medium. Golden medium cider with a refreshing apple aroma and a Smooth balanced flavour that has a fresh, crisp sharpness. It shows off its true origins as a traditional oak matured farmhouse cider. And Dog Dancer – 6.5% Medium- no further information.



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