

The Bushey & Oxhey Charity Beer Festival July 16th – 18th

Lovers of real ale will be making their way to The Three Crowns in Bushey Heath for the annual Bushey & Oxhey Round Table Charity Beer Festival.

The first pint will be poured at 6pm on Friday July 16th and will run from noon to 11 on Saturday 17th and from noon till early evening (or when we`ve run dry) on Sunday 18th

This year 9 independently owned breweries from 7 counties will be represented, Hertfordshire, Essex, Yorkshire, Northamptonshire, Suffolk, Northamptonshire and Gloucestershire.

Between them they have won a host of regional and national awards including CAMRA`s “ Supreme Champion Beer of Britain” and the ultimate “Champion of Champions” awarded to the best beer from 25 years of competitions, (Dark Star).

The breweries range in size with the largest brewing over 30 different beers a year to the smallest, Leyden who brew just 3 barrels at a time in a side room of The Lord Raglan pub in Bury,Lancashire.

Throughout the festival the pumps are manned by members from Bushey & Oxhey Round Table who give of their time freely with all proceeds from the event going to local causes and charities.

The festival takes place in the garden of The Three Crowns with the old stable block converted into a beer cellar for the occasion, ales are delivered on Tuesday and then take 3 days to settle and prepare so they are at their best for Friday evenings kick off.

During the festival The Three Crowns chefs will be using some of the ales to cook up beer inspired recipes including :-

*Beef Chilli cooked with ale, birds eye chillis, smoked paprika & cumin

*Pork & Leek Sausages braised in ale with onions and served with creamy mustard mash flavoured with Tring Breweries own mustard flavoured with their Colleys Dog ale

Also on offer will be The Three Crowns own Beef, Mushroom & Guinness Pie which was a finalist in this years “Great British Pie” competition and a Saturday evening barbecue and sausage sizzle.