



he local branch of the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) organises 2 beer festivals a year. Keighley Beer Festival is approaching it's 23rd year at the end of September

at Victoria Hall, the other is the relatively new Skipton Beer Festival held in Sprina.

This year's Keighley festival will be featuring at least 10 different porters (a black, richlyflavoured beer style) in the "Porter Potter". in addition to a selection of

other beer styles. For a bit of fun, Friday night is "Silly Hat Night" with spot prizes for the best hats.

There'll be cooled cask-conditioned beers from local breweries and some more unusual ones not often seen in this area. Alternative drinks on offer are real cider and perry, fruit wines, foreign bottled beers and soft drinks. Quality food will be served throughout the festival by Rural Recipes. In 2011, CAMRA is celebrating 40 years of campaigning for real ale and pubs, and

this is reflected in the logo for the festival. which will be on the souvenir alasses and T shirts. The popular tombola offers unique prizes includina unusual bottled beers

and T shirts. Souvenir T shirts and other CAMRA merchandise can be purchased from the Products stand, where you can also find out about the benefits of CAMRA membership and the special offer if you ioin at the festival.

Opening Times: Thursday 22nd September 3-11, Friday 23rd and Saturday 24th 11-

11. Entry: £3.00 (free to CAMRA members). Prearranged groups of 10 or more, arriving at the same time, can benefit from free admission. For more information visit: www.keighleyandcravencamra. org.uk

When they aren't organising beer festivals Keighley and Craven branch of CAMRA is part of the national not-for-profit

organisation with over 120,000 members enjoying a busy social life and campaigning for drinkers, pubs and breweries. The local branch will be supporting National Cask Ale Week in October with an event open to the public,

and pubs in the Worth Valley on Saturday 8th October. See the website for more details or ask at Keighley Beer Festival.

focussing on new breweries

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