

Sons of the Desert – Brats Tent (Sheffield) Oasis 80 (Founded 1988)

Grand Sheik: John Burton

Grand Vizier: Alan Hancock

Sub-Vice Vizier: Brian Jessop

Remember: All members
have absolutely no
authority whatsoever!



Vice Sheik: Kevin Hepplestone

Vice Vizier: Mark Johnson

Everyone Else: Board Members
At Large

It was Ever Thus! - Brats Monthly Newsletter

8th October 2007

Good evening and a very warm welcome to the Nineteenth University meeting of the Brats Tent of Sheffield!

Visit to Denkers' Beer Garden.....

We have been invited to visit the Bradfield Brewery on the evening of Friday 26th October, for a tour of the brewery followed by the opportunity to sample several of the fine ales produced by one of Sheffield's most popular breweries. L&H Films will also be screened and a buffet provided.

The tour will commence at 7:30pm for those wishing to make their own way there, otherwise a minibus will be provided 6:45 New Crown, 7:00 Sheffield (Argos/Bankers Draft). Cost approx £10 Tour, £5 minibus.

Show me that again.....

Tonight we will screen short films, commencing with **Brats** followed by **A Perfect Day**, and **Come Clean**. These will be followed by **Unaccustomed As We Are**, and **The Hoosegow**.

Ronnie Hazlehurst RIP.....

Ronnie Hazlehurst, who wrote the theme tunes for television shows such as *Last of the Summer Wine* and *Blankety Blank*, has died aged 79. Sons remember him best for his ground-breaking release in 1980 of his reconstruction of Laurel and Hardy music, which we listen prior to the start of each meeting. Ronnie was also an active member of the Sons of the Desert. His orchestra performed tremendous renditions of L&H backing tracks at a Laurel and HarDay in Wigan a few years ago which really made it *A Perfect Day*!

Brats v ETB Annual Quiz.....

The annual quiz is upon us once more in which we play against the Early To Bed Tent of Chesterfield for the Julian Tighe Memorial Trophy (The virtual one!). The first leg was held at the ETB Tent meeting on Sunday 16th September, and the Brats team comprised of Mrs and Mr Johnson, Duncan & Ricko. At the end of the quiz both teams had excellent 100% records – although I am sure that if we had called them CD's Grahame would have docked us a point! The return leg will be held tonight the quiz being based upon the first two films to be screened. A warm welcome to Anni, Grahame and the ETB team!

Diary dates.....

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| 21 st October | - | Early to Bed Tent Meeting, Spital Hotel, Chesterfield 7:30 |
| 8 th October | - | Brats Tent Meeting, New Crown Inn, 7:30pm |
| 9 th -13 th July 2008 | - | 16 th International Convention – Amsterdam
Registration forms available from myself |
| 10 th December | - | Brats Xmas meeting – with bring a prize/win a prize raffle! |

Thank you once again for your continued support!

Fraternally Yours,
John,

**You can lead a horse to water
But a pencil must be lead! (Brats 1930)**

Webpage:

www.handsworth.org.uk/societies/sons/