

Aggie Brew

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Summer Abroad

For the first time, a version of the FST3 Introduction to Beer and Brewing class was taught by Charlie Bamforth as part of the UC Davis Summer Abroad program. The class was held at the University of Nottingham, England, throughout the month of July. Each week there was a field trip. Week One saw the team go to the Munton's maltings in Flamborough – where the students were generously treated to a fish and chip lunch by the team from one of UK's most famous malting companies.



Week Two brought the group to Burton, with visits to Marston's (where the students attempted barrel making), the National Brewery Centre and the Burton Bridge Brewery, prior to participating in the evening's Institute of Brewing and Distilling meeting.



In the third week it was to Elgar country and Stocks Farm, where hop guru Peter Darby joined us to impart his wisdom as well as a few tunes on his trusty squeeze box.



Finally it was staying in Nottingham for a trip to Murphy and Son, to see inter alia how isinglass finings are made.



IBD Midland Section

Charlie made his first section presentation as President of IBD with some informal recollections and anecdotes from his career. The event was upstairs at the Burton Bridge Brewery on July 16th. A large turnout included the Midland Section chairman Flo Vialan (front right) as well as the mastermind of the host brewery, Bruce Wilkinson (back, right).



Of course the students had plenty of homework to do.



Michael J Lewis Endowment

Your contribution would be most welcome. For questions about this endowment, contact Melissa Haworth [mdhaworth@ucdavis.edu; (530) 979-1440]. Or you can contact Charlie Bamforth (address below). All donations are tax deductible and may be eligible for a matching contribution from your employer.

We are hugely grateful to all of our hosts for their remarkable generosity and marvelous welcomes.

Meanwhile, Charlie also found time to meet up with a number of old friends and colleagues, including David Quain who was responsible for this selfie in the Victoria Hotel in Beeston.

A happy camper

We were delighted that good friend Logan Plant was able to give one of our Master Brewers students, John Anaya, the opportunity to spend time gaining valuable experience at Beavertown in London. Not sure where that glass came from.





Availability of brewery for trials

Our brewery is available for trial work. We are delighted that it is already being used to a significant extent. If you are interested in using the brewery for commercial studies, then please contact Charlie Bamforth for rates.

Vigorous tapping

Charlie was honored to be asked to tap a firkin to formally launch the second Annual Davis Bike & Brewfest. Pour with vigor is one thing – but perhaps less robustness is needed in thumping in a spile.



The Torpedo Room

Charlie hugely enjoyed delivering Beer Science Night at Sierra Nevada's Torpedo Room in Berkeley in August.



From left to right: Christian Griffith, Santino LaGamba, Bamforth, Connie Parsons, Brad Griebenow and Desi Hatton

Lots of chatter

Barely a week goes by without a speaking engagement somewhere. Charlie Bamforth stepped off the plane back from the summer gig in UK to board again within 24h to deliver a plenary lecture to the Biennial Conference on Chemical Education at Grand Valley State University in Michigan.

And then there is inevitably a talk for some worthy group somewhere, such as below to the Rotary Club of Cupertino, CA.



Thank you

...to the various companies that support us in so many ways. If you aren't already a supporter, we would love to hear from you – cwbamforth@ucdavis.edu – and Charlie can explain the benefits.

It appeared

So the Brew Dogs Northern California episode appeared.

<http://tv.esquire.com/now/full-episode/northern-california/313846851579>

For a bijou piece go to

<http://tv.esquire.com/videos/71353-brew-dogs-the-perfect-pour>

It turned out pretty well, I guess (apart from the udder nonsense). Phew.

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Thank you/2

Very many thanks to Anton Paar for the gift of an Alcolyzer and Portable Density Meter.

ALUMNI TRACKING

We are eager to keep better track of our brewing alumni. Please send us your up-to-date contact information. Please also forward this newsletter to others who came through the UC Davis campus brewing programs and urge them to contact Charlie and tell him what they have been up to. Thank you.

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