

# DRINKER



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## Where to buy London Drinker

The following is a list of all of the current outlets for London Drinker. Where the full addresses of outlets are not given, these pubs are to be found in one of the local beer guides, covering the whole of Greater London.

OUTLETS - EAST and SOUTH	SE25 PRINCE OF DENMARK	N15 K. K. McCOOLS
EAST PUBS	SE25 SHIP	N16 ROSE & CROWN
EC1 ARTILLERY ARMS	SE27 HOPE	N16 TANNERS HALL
EC1 CROWN	SE27 GIPSY QUEEN	N17 BOAR
EC1 EAGLE	BEXLEY, BLUE ANCHOR	N17 ELBOW ROOM
EC1 PHEASANT & FIRKIN	CROYDON, LION	N17 NARROW BOAT
EC1 PRIDE OF SPITALFIELD	THORNTON HEATH, FOUNTAIN	N19 DOG
EC1 SEKFORDE ARMS	HEAD	N19 J. J. MOONS
EC1 STICK & WEASEL	THORNTON HEATH, WHEAT	N20 BULL & BUTCHER
EC1 SUTTON ARMS	SHEAF	N20 CAVALIER
EC1 THOMAS WETHERED	SILAI	N21 DOG & DUCK
EC2 FLEETWOOD	OFF TRADE	N22 MOON UNDER WATER
EC2 RAILWAY TAVERN	E4 Waltham Wines, 72 Seward-	N22 NELSON
EC4 BLACKFRIAR	stone Road.	BARNET, ALEXANDRA
EC4 HATCHET	SE3 Bitter Experience, 128 Lee	BARNET, MOON UNDER WATER
EC4 WILLIAMSON'S TAVERN	Road.	BARNET, WEAVER
E1 FISH & RING	BEXLEYHEATH, Bitter Experience,	EAST BARNET, CAT & LANTERN
E2 APPROACH TAVERN	216 Broadway.	ENFIELD, JOLLY BUTCHERS
	BROMLEY, Bitter End, 139 Masons	
		ENFIELD, KING & TINKER
E2 OWL & THE PUSSYCAT	Hill.	ENFIELD, KINGS HEAD
E2 SHIP & BLUE BALL	CLUBS	ENFIELD, OLD WHEATSHEAF
E3 PEARLY KING	CROYDON, Ruskin House, 23	NEW BARNET, BUILDER ARMS
E8 LADY DIANA	Coombe Road.	
E9 CHESHAM ARMS	Coombe Road.	OUTLETS - NORTH-WEST PUBS
E10 DRUM	OUTLETS - WEST CENTRAL,	NW1 DUCK INN
E11 NORTHCOTE	AND NORTH PUBS	NW1 GLOUCESTER ARMS
E17 COLLEGE ARMS	WC1 CALTHORPE ARMS	NW1 VICTORIA
SE1 ANCHOR & HOPE	WC1 CITTIE OF YORKE	NW3 FLASK TAVERN
SE1 BUNCH OF GRAPES	WC1 HANSLER ARMS	NW3 WELLS HOTEL
SE1 FOUNDERS ARMS	WC1 LAMB	NW4 CHEQUERS
SE1 GEORGE INN	WC1 MADI DODOUCH ADMC	NW4 WHITE BEAR
SE1 GOOSE & FIRKIN	WC1 MARLBOROUGH ARMS	NW7 RAILWAY TAVERN
SE1 HORNIMAN AT HAYS	WC1 MOON	NW8 CROCKERS
SE1 KINGS ARMS	WC1 PAKENHAM ARMS	NW8 ORDNANCE
SE1 LEATHER EXCHANGE	WC1 PRINCESS LOUISE	NW9 GEORGE
SE1 SOUTHWARK TAVERN	WC1 RUGBY TAVERN	NW9 J.J. MOONS
SE1 SULTAN	WC1 SUN	NW10 GRAND JUNCTION ARMS
SE1 WELLINGTON	WC2 CROWN & ANCHOR	HAREFIELD, PLOUGH
SE3 BRITISH OAK	WC2 GEORGE IV	HARROW, KINGSFIELD ARMS
SE5 PHOENIX & FIRKIN	N1 COMPTON ARMS	WEALDSTONE, ROYAL OAK
SE7 McDONNELS	N1 FLOUNDER & FIRKIN	WESTERDOTORIES, NO TAIL OTHE
SE8 DOG & BELL	N1 GEORGE IV	OFF TRADE
SE8 ROYAL GEORGE	N1 GEORGE & VULTURE	N1 Beer Shop, Pitfield Street.
SE9 PARK TAVERN	N1 HEMINGFORD ARMS	NW6 Grogblossom, 235 West End
SE9 ROYAL ELTHAM	N1 KINGS HEAD, 59 Essex Road.	Lane.
SE10 BRITISH SAILOR	N1 LORD WOLSELEY	
	N1 MALT & HOPS	CLUBS
SE10 FROG & RADIATOR	N1 MARQUESS TAVERN	WC1 UNIVERSITY OF LONDON
SE10 HARDY'S	N1 PRINCE ALBERT	UNION, Malet Street
SE13 FOX & FIRKIN	N1 PRINCE ARTHUR	WC2 L.S.E. Houghton Street
SE16 BLACKSMITHS ARMS	N2 OLD WHITE LION	
SE16 MANOR TAVERN	N2 WINDSOR CASTLE	OUTLETS - SOUTH WEST and
SE17 TANKARD	N4 MARLERS	WEST PUBS
SE18 EARL OF CHATHAM	N4 MORTIMER ARMS	SW1 BARLEY MOW
SE18 GATEHOUSE	N4 OLD SUFFOLK PUNCH	SW1 BUCKINGHAM ARMS
SE18 MELBOURNE ARMS	N4 WHITE LION OF MORTIMER	SW1 FOX & HOUNDS
SE18 PRINCESS OF WALES	N7 ADMIRAL MANN	SW1 GROUSE & CLARET
SE18 VILLAGE BLACKSMITH		
SE19 RAILWAY BELL	N7 FAT HARRY'S N7 FLOUNDER & FIRKIN	SW1 MORPETH ARMS
SE19 ROYAL ALBERT		SW1 ORANGE BREWERY SW1 PAVIOURS ARMS
SE20 HOP EXCHANGE		SWI PRIJUUKS AKMS
SE22 CRYSTAL PALACE TAVERN	N10 MAID OF MUSWELL	SW1 RED LION
SE24 COMMERCIAL	NIZ MOSS HALL IAVERN	SW1 ROYAL OAK
SE24 PRINCE REGENT	N12 TILTED GLASS	
SE25 GOAT HOUSE	N15 GOAT	Continued on p31
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#### **EDITORIAL**

Back in the early seventies there was a brewing company which owned more breweries in Britain than any one of its competitors. Not content with this, along with one of its associated companies it owned an impressive portfolio of significant minor shareholdings in many of Britain's regional brewery companies. Like its competitors of the day it was keen to get into "brand name" and brewery conditioned (ie keg) beers. In its attempt to pursue these goals and produce beer from a number of breweries it ended up with a national brand beer brewed in a number of breweries to different recipes and original gravities; in some cases brewery conditioned or in others cask conditioned (or even supplied part conditioned to cellar tanks in pubs and clubs); dispense was by hand or electric pump for the cask whilst various styles of pressure taps graced the bar top for the keg. If you have not by now identified the company - it's Whitbread - and the product - Trophy. In effect a company offering some choice but apparently keen to hide the fact.

Amongst the breweries owned were three large modern plants at Luton (near the M1); Magor, S. Wales; and Salmesbury (near Preston, Lancs) All three were geared to the production of keg ale and lagers such as "Dutch" Heineken and "Belgian" Stella Artois. Had the national brewing combines been as successful as they hoped in forcing keg ale and lager on the consumer all would have been well but alas (from their viewpoint) the demand for cask conditioned beer (so-called real ale) increased. This awkward fact made it difficult to close the smaller older plants (which brewed cask beer) and concentrate on the larger plants. As a result the former Wethered plant at Marlow in the Thames Valley and the former Fremlins plant had their production levels raised and advantage was taken of a strike at the Luton plant to close it down. A range of cask beers which in most cases bore a name related to the brewery from which they came was produced and sold. However, subsequent brewery closures

did not see the withdrawal of the beers; their production was simply moved to another plant. As a result of the closure of the former Brickwood brewery in Portsmouth Pompey Royal moved to Fremlins in Faversham, E. Kent; closure of Wethereds in Marlow saw all their brews moved to Cheltenham and closure of the former Chesters brewery in Manchester saw their brews moved to Sheffield. Needless to say none of this has resulted in the production of better beers as they try to recreate brews in a totally different plant.

What, you may be saying, has this got to do with 1990? The sad fact is that this company are intent on further closures this coming summer. Last autumn the once proudly independent Manchester brewers Boddington ended their slide from greatness by selling both their Strangeways brewery and the Higsons brewery in Liverpool to Whitbreads. The pubs remain in Boddingtons hands but will be supplied with beer by Whitbreads. Hardly had the ink dried on the contract of sale than Whitbread announced the closure of the Higson brewery and their intention to supply the beer from Sheffield. Not content with one closure they also announced their intention to close the Fremlins brewery in Kent. These are exactly the type of takeovers, closures and consequent reductions in consumer choice which were identified in the MMC Report. They are an insult to the intelligence (and tastebuds) of you the beer drinker and so soon after the MMC report constitute a defiant wave of two fingers at a government who have let them off comparatively lightly as far as corrective action goes.

So why not put pen to paper and let Whitbreads know what you think of their policies and products and also let your MP know that you think the brewers are getting away with it all too easily.

**Terry Hewitt** 

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#### WEST MIDDX NEWS

OUR LOSS, YOUR GAIN: A body blow for West Middlesex branch was the sudden and totally unexpected departure from the BEACONSFIELD ARMS in Southall of its popular manager Derek Mahon. Derek has taken on the job of managing the NORTH STAR, North Road, Brentford for a Courage multiple tenant, Jeff Harden. Whilst this is bad news for us, it can only be good news for the North Star, Jeff Harden, and Richmond & Hounslow Branch.

Derek had built up the cask ale trade tremendously at the "Beak" since 1987 after it had spent a terible period in the doldrums, when all but the most loyal supporters had deserted it. So good at his trade was Derek that within no time people started coming from far and wide to sample the imaginative and sometimes unusual beer range on offer. Mitchells, Thwaites, Taylors, Pitfield, Golden Hill, and Burton Bridge were all regular visitors to the pub cellar - although they didn't stop too long - the customers saw to that!

One of his best decisions was to stock mild on a regular basis. It started as an experiment, but sales proved so good that it has since become a common feature. Sunday lunchtime Bateman's Mild drinking bouts were and still are a not uncommon sight!

Anyway, the outlook for the "Beak" is not entirely "Bleak". The present owners, Suki and Shera have given assurances that they are committed to the real ale trade. If there are any problems the "West Middx Cellar Management Team" has promised to give them any assistance when required.

We wish Derek every success in the NORTH STAR. One thing is for sure - that the Courage Best in there should certainly be just that!

OTHER PUB NEWS: Two pubs have undergone name changes. Firstly the GREENFORD HOTE L, next to the Iron Bridge at Southall has had a complete facelift, closed down its troublesome and infamous Disco Barbarellas, introduced Real Ale in the form of Ruddles Best, County and "Websters Ubiquitous" - but sadely has had its name changed to the PIG & WHISTLE and has announced to one and all that it is "West

London's Premier Pub''! The name change is particularly to be regretted as its original name came about as the curious result of a mix up by Licensing Magistrates in 1936. Two new road houses were being built on the then new Greenford Road - the other was the Bridge Hotel in Greenford. Until a flyover was built in the early 1970's there was no bridge near the Bridge Hotel, and the Greenford Hotel which sits in the lee of the famous Iron Bridge on the Uxbridge Road is nearly two miles from Greenford! (Information courtesy of Real Beer in W. London.) The PIG & WHISTLE was a former Truman brewery pub, alas no longer brewing.

The other pub - although of minimal interest to anyone, barring masochists - is the ex-Pub 80 theme emporium from the Host Group (remember them?) called "Royals", which has now reverted back to its original name, the Royal William. If anyone cares, this can be found on the Ealing Road in Alperton.

Watch this space next month for a Horror Story from Acton. (Clue: A Canary Yellow and Royal Blue monstrosity).

Bernie Peal

#### 135 ASSOCIATION

The 135 Association will be celebrating its Fifteenth Birthday on Monday 23rd April - Saint George's Day. The venue is the BUCKINGHAM ARMS in Petty France, SW1, a regular entry in the Good Beer Guide, and the starting time is around 8.00 pm.

For the benefit of those who don't know, membership of the Association is open to anyone who has completed a tour of all 150 (now - previously there were 135 of them) Young's pubs, collecting the guv'nors' signatures against the names of all the pubs on the Young's pub list. You don't have to be a member to join us on the 23rd April; we shall be delighted to meet anyone who is, has been, or is thinking of becoming a member of the Association, including those who have only just begun their tours.

Hugh Smith Hon. Social Secretary

#### **QUIZ QUERIES**

Who was the second man to walk on the Moon? Which teams played in last year's FA Cup Final? How many "prongs" are there on a standard fork and what is their correct name? This statue's proper name is the Angel of Christian Charity, but what is it better known as?

If you want to know the answers to these questions, you will find them at the bottom of this article. But if you do not, then you may find yourself becoming part of a definite minority. In November's London Drinker Andy Pirson asked if any pubs were holding quizzes on a regular basis, and I am sure that by now readers will have told him of numerous examples because Courage, Taylor Walker and Fullers are just three of several breweries that are running quiz leagues through the winter. In addition, of course, it has become common to see a quiz machine in the local public house along with the slot machines.

Quizzes first came to popularity in the working men's clubs in Northern England, Scotland and Wales and percolated down to London and the South-East comparatively late in the day. As Andy Pirson observed, pub quizzes are not everyone's idea of a fun-packed evening and for many people they conjure up painful memories of school exams. Many others do like to show off their range of general knowledge, however. A surprisingly high number of people also do assume that people with a good general knowledge must also be of above averge intelligence and the quiz players are usually happy to go along with this assumption. However, I don't see why this should be so. Instead it could be argued that people show more wisdom by not cramming their minds with useless trivia. What is certain, though, is that quizzes are a great way of starting arguments and driving people to drink. Two otherwise sensible acquaintances of mine nearly came to blows over what is the largest mammal in Britain (one said the red deer, the other said it was the human being).

There is also the danger that these quizzes do a disservice in that they give people a shallow

grasp of things without actually teaching them anything worthwhile and often they are incorrect anyway. One quiz machine that I encountered is convinced that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle wrote a Sherlock Holmes Story about the "Adventure of the Red-Headed Leek". Also every quiz that you come across will tell you that the Portuguese Man of War is a jellyfish. (Technically it isn't, but that's the way to answer should you ever be asked the question). Sometimes I have a feeling that the quizzes are part of a secret plan by extra terrestrial aliens to slow down our technological development. They devised crossword puzzles in the early years of the century and as a result some of our best brains spent a large part of their leisure time each week trying to find the answer to 6 Down instead of thinking of a cure for the common cold, or inventing the jet engine a couple of decades earlier. Perhaps they also created other time-wasting activities such as Contract Bridge, Monopoly and the Rubik's Cube (do you really think that any human could have invented that last one?). Quizzes are merely the latest development in this subtle alien plan.

Even people who would never play in a quiz match may occasionally play a quiz machine. And as a result, many people now know more about, for example, Cliff Richard's number one hits or African capital cities than they ever wanted to know previously. In a way it is a pity that the information they convey is so trivial, because these machines are mildly addictive and would be a good means of teaching useful rather than useless knowledge. Why not have machines that specialize in the basics of first aid, plumbing, French vocabulary or the Highway Code, for instance? Used properly they could be a highly useful educational tool and could perhaps earn some money for the schools once they were installed in every classroom!

Glyn Thomas

#### Answers

Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin; Liverpool (who won 3-2) and Everton; 4 tines on a common fork; "Eros".

#### **BRANCH DIARY**

If your branch is not mentioned, please ring the Branch Contact. Dates for March of which we have been notified are given below. Branches please send information to Andy Pirson, Branch Contacts

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EAST LONDON & CITY: Fri 2 Evening visit to Farncombe Cider House. (Train from Waterloo - Ring Branch Contact for times). - Sat 3 (7.00) Walthamstow Crawl. Start QUEENS ARMS, 42 Orford Road, E17 then NAGS HEAD (7.40), 9 Orford Road; VILLAGE (8.20), 31 Orford Road; CASTLE (9.00), 15 Grosvenor Rise East; GROVE TAVERN (9.40), 74 Grove Road; WINDMILL (10.20), 20 Grosvenor Park Road - Tue 6 (8.00) GOOD BEER GUIDE Selection Meeting. APPROACH TAVERN, Approach Road, E2 - Tue 20 (8.00) Committee Meeting. WHITE HORSE, White Horse Road, E1 - Fri 23 Beer & Curry Night. PRIDE OF SPITALFIELDS, Heneage Street, E1; followed by a visit to a Brick Lane curry house - Mon 2 Apr (8.00) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. APPROACH TAVERN, Approach Road, E2.

ENFIELD & BARNET: Thu 1 (9.00) St. David's Day Social. PRINCE OF WALES, 2 Church Hill Road, East Barnet - Tue 6 (9.00) Two Pub Social in Edmonton N18. THREE CROWNS, 164 Fore Street then GROVE TAVERN (10.00), 51 Snells Park - Wed 14 (8.30) Branch Meeting. BULL & BUTCHER, 1277 High Road, Whetstone, N22 - Thu 15 Social at London Drinker Beer Festival, evening session - Wed 21 (9.00) New Pub Social. WHITE LION & MORTIMER, West Hendon Broadway, Hendon, NW4 - Thu 29 (9.00) Two Pub Social in New Barnet. LORD KITCHENER, 49 East Barnet Road then BUILDERS ARMS (10.00), 3 Albert Road - Tue 3 Apr (9.00) Two Pub Social in Southgate, N14. WOOLPACK, 52 High Street then YE OLD CHERRY TREE (10.00), 22 The Green.

KINGSTON & LEATHERHEAD: Sun 4 (12.00) Three Pub Social in Surbiton. VICTORIA then LAMB (1.00) and BLACK LION (2.00) - Wed 14 (8.30) Branch Meeting. ASHLEY PARK HOTEL, Walton on Thames - Sun 25 (12.00) Pub Crawl of Ewell. Start EIGHT BELLS - Sun 1 Apr (11.58) Pub Crawl of Kingston. Start ROYAL CHARTER then JOLLY BREWER; BOATERS.

NORTH LONDON: Sunday Lunchtime Socials: SKINNERS ARMS, WC1 - Sun 4 (12.00) Pre-London Drinker Beer Festival Posters Meeting. SKINNERS ARMS, WC1 - Tue 6 (8.00) Final 1991 GOOD BEER GUIDE Entries Selection Meeting. RUGB Y TAVERN, WC1 - Tue 14 to Fri 16 London Drinker Beer Festival. See details elsewhere in magazine - Tue 20 (8.00) Post London Drinker Beer Festival Social. ROSETTI, NW8 - Tue 27 (8.00) Two Pub Social. WIG & GOWN, Holloway Road, N1 then COMPTON ARMS - Sunday Lunchtime Socials in April: HEMINGFORD ARMS, N1 - Tue 3 (8.00) Three Pub Social in WC1. SHIP INN (Royal National Hotel), Bedford Way then SWAN and QUEENS LARDER.

RICHMOND & HOUNSLOW: Tue 6 (8.30) Committee Meeting. MITRE, 20 St. Mary's Grove - Tue 20 (8.30) Social. WHITE CROSS, Riverside, Water Lane, Richmond - Mon 26 (8.30) Branch Meeting. TOWN WHARF, Swan Street, Isleworth - Mon 23 Apr (8.30) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. RED COW, 59 Sheen Road, Richmond.

SOUTH EAST LONDON: Mon 5 (8.00) Open Committee Meeting. RAILWAY TELEGRAPH, 112 Stanstead Road, SE23 - Mon 12 (8.00) Branch Meeting. PILOT, 68 River Way, SE10 - Thu 29 (8.00) Branch Social. DOG & BELL, 116 Prince Street, SE8.

SOUTH WEST ESSEX: Thu 1 (8.30) St. David's Day Social. WHITE HORSE, High Road (A118), Chadwell Heath - Mon 5 (8.30) Social. GREEN MAN, Navestockside (OS: TQ562975) - Wed 14 (8.30) Branch GOOD BEER GUIDE Selection Meeting. BRICKLAYERS ARMS, Bridge Road (just south of A126), Grays - Thu 22 (8.30) Social. THATCHED HOUSE, 348 St. Mary's Lane (B187), Cranham, Upminster - Mon 26 (8.30) Social. ALMA ARMS, Horsemanside, Navestock (OS: TQ544961) - Thu 5 Apr (8.30) Out of Area Social. THE COLLEGE ARMS, 807 Forest Road (A503), Walthamstow, E17 - Thu 12 Apr (all day) Brewery Trip to MORLANDS, Abingdon. Bookings/details from Wendy Benson, Tel: Romford 23897.

SOUTH WEST LONDON: Thu 8 (8.00) Open Committee Meeting. COUNTRY HOUSE, 4 Groton Road, SW18 (close to Earlsfield BR Station) - Wed 21 (7.30 for 8.00 sharp) Post Beer Festival Analysis & GOOD BEER GUIDE Selection. CASTLE, 38 Tooting High Street, SW17 - Thu 10 May

**First question:** What are the best Free Houses in

North London

**Answer:** Those run by

J. D. Wetherspoon Organisation

**Second question:** Where are they?

#### Answer:-

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10-12 Grand Parade N4

HARRINGAY
THE MORTIMER ARMS
405 Green Lanes N4

STROUD GREEN
WHITE LION OF
MORTIMER
125/127 Stroud Green Road N4

WEST GREEN
THE GOAT
414-6 West Green Road N15

STOKE NEWINGTON
THE TANNERS HALL
145 High Street N16

TOTTENHAM
THE BOAR
413 Lordship Lane N17

BRUCE GROVE
THE ELBOW ROOM

503-505 High Road N17

TOTTENHAM
THE MOON UNDER
WATER

423 Lordship Lane N17

RIVER LEA
THE NARROW BOAT
Reedham Close N17

ARCHWAY THE DOG 17/19 Archway Road N19

HOLLOWAY
J J MOONS
37 Landseer Road N19

KINGSBURY

JJ MOON'S

553 Kingsbury Road NW9

WALTHAMSTOW THE DRUM 557/9 Lea Bridge Road E10

WALTHAMSTOW THE COLLEGE ARMS 807 Forest Road E17

BARNET THE MOON UNDER WATER

WATER 148 High Street, Barnet

ENFIELD
THE MOON UNDER
WATER
115/7 Chase Side Enfield

Final (Vital) question: What do they provide?

The final answer:

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## LONDON DRINKER CROSSWORD

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Name......Address....

All correct entries received by first post on 28th March will be entered into a draw for the prize.

The winner of the prize will be announced in the May London Drinker. Solution next month.

All entries to be submitted to: London Drinker Crossword 25 Valens House Upper Tulse Hill London SW2 2RX

#### Last Month's Solution



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#### **ACROSS**

1	. Being off drink.	[5]
4	. Mother of sailor queen.	[6]
9	. Do they make insensitive book?	[7]
10	. Tree found in Texas penitentiary.	[5]
11	. Disturbed water boy.	[4]
12	. State it's in female P.O.W.	[7]
13	. A nervy show, though apparently	
	correct.	[3]
14	. Knock back a small dose of drink.	[4]
16	. She's in bed, naturally.	[4]
18	. Tie cockney bells.	[3]
20	. He doesn't believe in revolutionary	
	leader.	[7]
21	. Exercise after soldiers' attack.	[4]
24	. Churchman, I hear, could be fired.	[5]
25	. Comfort you see in clean surrounding	gs?
	*	[7]
26	. He makes road level.	[6]
27	. Animal is little companion.	[5]

#### DOWN

5.	Points to short measure of spirit,	
	unused.	[5,3]
6.	Clarify what was obvious.	[7]
7.	Northern salad tossed in shoe.	[6]
8.	Snake in charge turns to jelly.	[5]
13.	Is it done to water music?	13,51
15.	Receiver's crime?	171
17.	Endless talk event.	[6]
18.	Embarrassment of second rate drin	ker.
		[5]
19.	Shortage of dead soil.	[6]
22.	Concerning a fight.	[5]
23.	It's a sore point when he works.	[4]

1. Extreme need, when in drink, to have

2. Traveller put stopper on returning.

3. Container found in brewery.

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[5]

Winner of the prize for the December crossword:

A.P. Comaish, 48 Cherry Tree Walk, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 3PQ

Other correct entries were received from: Geoff B, B.P. Casey, Charlie Creasey, Mike Crilly, Robert Day, Ian Fairweather, Elaine Glover, Eileen Graves, J.E. Green, 'Arry Hart, Alison Henley, Odd John (Colchester), Hugh Jampton, Hugh Jarris, Mrs G.M. Lines, M.J. Moran, Steve Mott, Maura Mullington, U. Mycock, Steve Piggott, R. Prince, A.G. Whitehead, D. Woodward, Yak. There were also 9 incorrect entries.

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#### THE CAMPAIGN FOR REAL ALE MEN ONLY?

Bearded men with a beer gut and sandles, middle aged and middle class. This can sometimes spring to mind when CAMRA is mentioned. This is very far from the truth. CAMRA encompasses all ages, backgrounds and sex. Yes, there really are women in CAMRA!

Many women do like a drop of beer. Their tastes are as varied as their male counterparts. Some prefer milds, some the heavy stuff. They are married or single, with and without children.

Most active branches of CAMRA have female members. Some drink pints, some halves; some are on the committee, some just go along to socials. CAMRA currently has two female directors so they have an impact even there! In total, over a quarter of CAMRA's membership is female.

And before some start to say that beer is a man's world, it is interesting to note that it was back when water was totally undrinkable (as opposed to only partly as now) it was the women who did the brewing. The term Brewster, as in the Brewster sessions for the licensing year, means lady brewer.

British beer is as much a part of your mother's heritage as your father's.

Women are made as equally welcome as men in CAMRA. So any women who would like to find out more, come along to a CAMRA beer festival or one of the CAMRA events listed in the branches diary in this magazine. Women beer drinkers come out of the closet!

#### WELL-HEELED ARE WELL-OILED

Half of all young men in well-paid jobs are drinking more than the recommended safe limit, according to an official survey.

Almost one in five young men in well-off households are drinking at levels associated with alcohol-related diseases and dependence, according to the General Household Survey report.

In the population as a whole, people are drinking more. Almost three times as many men as women are drinking above recommended limits, but professional women are nearly four times as likely to be heavy drinkers as women in an unskilled manual occupation.

The survey, based on the 1986 GHS, assesses the total amount of all drinks taken in a week rather than, as before, only the drink taken most frequently.

When results of the 1984 GHS are adapted for comparison, the proportion of men drinking more than the recommended limit of 21 units a week - where a unit equals a half-pint of beer, a glass of wine or one measure of spirts - shows an increase from 25 to 27 per cent between 1984 and 1986.

The proportion of women drinking more than their recommended limit of 14 units rose from 9 to 10 per cent. The accompanying map shows that 22-units-plus drinking among men

in 1986 was most pronounced in the north, where 36 per cent drank more than that limit. The lowest corresponding figure was 20 per cent in East Anglia.

Regional differences among women were far less clear.

Alcohol consumption is shown to increase with income. Among men with weekly household income of £100 or less, 17 per cent drank more than their limit. Among those with whose income was above £400, the figure was 37 per cent.

Similarly, 15 per cent of professional women were drinking above their limit, compared to 4 per cent from the unskilled manual category.

The biggest increases in consumption occurred among men and women aged 18-24 - the men drinking more than the limit rose from 35 to 39 per cent; women from 15 to 19.

Among men in this age-group with earnings of more than £200 a week, 51 per cent drank above their limit and 22 per cent above 50 units - the level associated with dependency and disease. Where the age group's income was above £300, 18 per cent drank above 50 units a week.

Drinking (OGHS No. 16, Supplement A); HMSO; £5.

## BASS CHAIN BOTTOM IN GOOD PUR GUIDE

Bass, Britain's biggest brewer, was judged the worst chain of pubs in the country.

Only 35 of the 7,400 tied houses owned by Bass rate a mention in the 1990 Good Pub Guide, published by the Consumers' Association.

"That rating is about a quarter of the national average attained by other brewers," said Mr Alisdair Aird, the guide's editor.

Other big national brewers also scored badly. Courage, Allied (Ind Coope) Scottish and Newcastle (McEwans, Youngers) and Grand Metropolitan (Watneys) managed to reach only half the national average. Whitbread achieved three quarters.

The three brewers with the most good pubs are: Harveys of Sussex, Brakspear from Oxfordshire and Adnams from Suffolk. Others rated highly include Wadworth of Wiltshire, Hook Norton of Oxfordshire and Youngs of London.

The 5,000 pubs which received an entry in the guide were judged on the quality of their beer, comfort, and quality of service among other factors.

The Brewers' Society said: "The Consumers' Association has a built-in dislike of big brewers."

Britain's best cellerman, the guide says, is a woman, Mrs Phyllis Cheffers, who handles 16 real ales at The Bridge in Topsham, Devon.

#### **BACK NUMBERS**

To date 121 editions of London Drinker have been issued, back numbers of the following are available:

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(7.30 sharp) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. SPREAD EAGLE, 71 Wandsworth High Street, SW18 (Advance warning).

WEST LONDON: Thu 15 (8.00) Branch Meeting. WHITE HORSE, Parsons Green, SW6 - Wed 7 (8.00) Soho Social. DOG & TRUMPET, 37 Great Marlborough Street, W1 then BLUE POSTS (9.00), 18 Kingly Street; RED LION (10.00), 14 Kingly Street.

WEST MIDDLESEX: Would all members please make every effort to attend the GBG selection evenings with their suggestions. Mon 5 (8.30) GOOD BEER GUIDE 1991 Selection Social. PLOUGH, Tentelow Lane, Norwood Green - Sat 10 (8.30) GOOD BEER GUIDE 1991 Selection Social. SUDBURY ARMS, Sudbury Heights Avenue, Sudbury - Wed 14 (8.00) Branch Meeting and Final Selection for GOOD BEER GUIDE 1991. BEACONSFIELD ARMS, 63 West End Road, Southall - Thu 22 (8.30) Out of Branch Crawl in Old Isleworth. Start CASTLE, 18 Upper Square then SWAN (9.30), Upper Square; TOWN WHARF (10.15), Swan Street - Tue 27 (8.30) Social. LITTEN, 118 Oldfield Lane, South Greenford.





J & W Nicholson is a group of high quality London Inns which specialise in selling a range of English Country Ales. The pubs have an authentic London pub atmosphere and also sell a selection of traditional food.

Our recommendation for the Month of March is:

# Prince Alfred

5A Formosa Street London W9

A large corner pub boasting no less than 5 bars. Each are tiny and individually tiled. It is possibly one of the best examples of a Victorian pub in London. A frequent location for film companies, it has been recently restored inside and out.

The bars which maintain very individual identities are separately screened but interconnected.

How many pubs have a separate Ladies' bar.

## Food always available

Warwick Avenue tube close by

# THE FUTURE OF BRITISH BREWING CAMRA'S WORK IS OVER!

If only that were true. It would be very nice for CAMRA to shut up shop and stop campaigning, but nothing is further from the truth.

During 1989 the troubles for British beer continued.

- \* Boddingtons sold off its two breweries, Boddingtons and Higsons, to Whitbread, to become a pub owning chain. As predicted by CAMRA, Higsons, the only Merseyside brewery, is now under threat of closure.
- \* Davenports Brewery was closed down in 1989 by Greenall Whitley and the beer is now brewed elsewhere. The new taste is reported to be nothing like the old.
- \* Brent Walker purchased Tolly Cobbold and Camerons a couple of years ago. In 1989 they announced the closure of Tolly Cobbold. Initially the new Tolly beers were not thought to be up to scratch and it is believed that this drove people away from drinking it. The rumours are that the Tolly beers may now be dropped.
- \* 1989 also saw the Monopolies and Mergers Report into the Brewing Industry. The Big Brewers used their money and influence to lobby for significant changes to the report. The result was somewhat watered down but the Big Brewers didn't get all their own way. CAMRA scored more than a few points in the drinker's favour.

Although 1990 and 1991 will not see another Monopolies and Mergers Report, there are the 1992 recommendations that are likely to come

out of the EC. Not all are likely to be to the British Drinkers' taste. CAMRA is already lobbying in this area.

And in CAMRA's view there is nothing to stop the continual decline in the number of British Breweries. As the current excise duty laws stand, there is no tax advantage in being small (unlike in Germany). Large efficient, sterile brewing plants appear to be the way of the future. Big, is again, beautiful.

Needless to say CAMRA is against this.CAMRA is for the choice of different beer flavours not one taste for the whole of Britain.

It is no longer good enough for the real ale drinker to say that they support CAMRA by drinking beer. If you are really concerned with what you are drinking, we need your voice added to ours. Not just to talk to the UK government but the EEC as well. Numbers really do matter.

#### WE ARE LOSING ON AVERAGE TWO BREWERIES A YEAR. YOUR FAVOURITE COULD BE NEXT

Chris Cryne
CAMRA's Director of Strategy

Footnote: All CAMRA beer festivals will be offering £2 off the usual membership fee to new members. Join at the London Drinker Festival and get free entry to the festival plus two free pints. Otherwise you can find a membership form in this magazine.

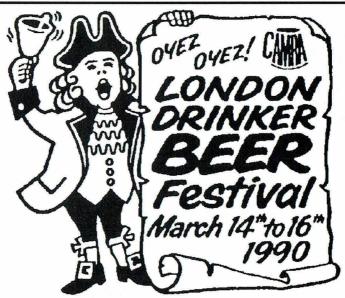
#### **NEWS FROM ENFIELD AND BARNET**

Two of the branch's pubs have scooped major awards. The Green Dragon, a courage tenanted house in Winchmore Hill, N21, beat off stiff competition to become the London Regional winner in CAMRA's National pub of the year contest for 1989. Licensees Eddie and Phyllis Gale were presented with an engraved CAMRA mirrior by CAMRA Chairman John Cryne to mark their achievement at a recent Branch social evening.

The historic King and Tinker, in the rural

depths of Enfield Whitewebbs, was the national winner in the 1989 Burton Guild of Master Cellarman Awards. Ray and Val Hunt were runners up in 1988 and are naturally overjoyed with their success. Taylor Walker, in whose area the pub is, also made a special presentation at a social evening attended by locals and branch representatives from CAMRA.

Both pubs have been consistantly featured in the Good Beer Guide since being run by their present licensees.



# Camden Centre, Bidborough Street WC1

# **PROGRAMME**

Welcome to the 1990 London Drinker Beer Festival, to be held at the Camden Centre

1989 promised much for the beer drinker. The eagerly anticipated Monopolies Commission report on the sale of beer at long last threatened to acknowledge the desires of the consumer and inject some much needed competition into the industry. Alas, it was not to be, and another Trade Minister found himself castrated by the vested interests of the brewery barons. As I write this, Whitbread have announced the closure of Fremlins brewery, their last in the South of England, as well as Higsons of Liverpool, the first victim of Boddington's disgraceful sell out. The independent future of Arkells of Swindon appears uncertain - the trail of merger and closure continues.

Despite the gloom and doom the hard working

team who bring you the London Drinker Festival have again assembled a selection of the very best beers from Britain and further afield. As usual one region is specially featured - this year it is Scotland where in spite of the stranglehold enjoyed by the big brewers a few plucky independents manage to keep their heads above the sea of tasteless fizz that threatens to engulf them.

Beers from many other parts of the country, together with real farmhouse ciders and perries and foreign beers are also available - so good drinking!

Trevor Unwin Festival Organiser

#### **FESTIVAL BEERS**

This year our theme is the beers of Scotland. Among our range of Scottish beer is a range of Beers from Belhaven, Belhaven have recently acquired a number of pubs in the London area but do not sell their own beer in these pubs, so now is your chance to try it. Scottish beers differ from English beers in a number of ways. They were traditionally known by the term 60 shillings, 80 shillings etc, which is a reference to the price of a barrel many years ago, not to the price of a pint! Hops, being grown in the South of England, were less easily obtained by the Scots so less are used in Scottish beers. 60/- is a mild, 70/- a bitter and 80/- a strong bitter. In Scotland, 60/- is also known as Light. and 70/- and 80/- are known as Heavy, 90/- is a Strong Ale, also known as Wee Heavy, Try these excellent beers and taste the difference for yourself.

#### **ORIGINAL GRAVITY**

Original Gravity is density or specific gravity of the brew before fermentation and an approximate indication of the strength of beers.

#### BAR A

DIEN IN		
ARCHERS	Village	1035
Swindon	Best Bitter	1040
	Head Banger	1065
BUNCES	Benchmark	1035
Netheravon, Wilts	Best Bitter	1042
BURT	Mild	1030
Ventnor, IOW	4X	1040
	Tanner	1050
EXMOOR	Exmoor Ale	1039
Wiveliscombe, Son	nerset	
HOPBACK	GFB	1035
Salisbury	Stout	1042
ULEY	Bitter	1040
Dursley, Glos	Old Spot Ale	1050
WADWORTH	IPA	1034
Devizes, Wilts	Old Timber	1055
MOLE	PA	1035
Melksham, Wilts	Bitter	1040
HIGSON	Mild	1033
Liverpool	Bitter	1038

#### BAR B (Scottish Bar)

BELHAVEN	60/- Light	1031
	80/- Heavy	1035
	90/- Strong Ale	1070
BORVE	Borve Ale	1040
Ruthven, Aberdeens	shire	
<b>BROUGHTON</b>	Special Bitter	1038
Broughton, Peebles	Greenmantel 80/-	1042
HARVIESTOUN	80/-	1040
Dollar,	Old Manor	1050
Clackmannan		
MACLEY	60/- Light	1034
Alloa	80/- Export	1039
ORKNEY	Raven Ale	1038
Sandwick, Orkney		
TRAQUAIR	Bear Ale	1050
Innerleithen, Peeble	sshire	

#### BAR C

DAK		
PITFIELD	Bitter	1038
London	Dark Star	1050
PREMIER	Old Merlin	1040
Stourbridge	Maidens Ruin	1075
MALTON	Pale Ale	1043
Malton, N Yorks	Pickwick's Porter	1042
BATEMAN	Mild	1033
Wainfleet, Lincs	XB	1036
TIMOTHY	Golden Best	1033
TAYLOR		
Keighley, Yorks	Landlord	1042
WARD '	Darley Dark Mild	1032
Sheffield	Kirby Ale	1050
YOUNG	Bitter	1036
Wandsworth	Special	1046
FULLER	Chiswick	1035
Chiswick	London Pride	1041
RIDLEY	Mild	1034
Chelmsford	Bitter	1034
HANBY	Drawell Bitter	1042
Wem, Shropshire		
JOHN SMITH'S	Magnet	1040
Tadcaster, Yorks		

The Higson's Brewery in Liverpool is under threat of closure from Whitbread, and John Smith's is also under threat from Courage. At the time of going to press it is not certain whether these beers will be available at the festival. We will only offer Higson's beers if they have been brewed at the Higson's Brewery in Liverpool.

#### CIDER AND PERRY

Cider Perry NAISH FRAN

CROSSMAN COOMBES PLUMTREE RIDDLE FRANKLIN HARTLAND SUMMERS

SUMMERS VICKERY WILKINS

#### **FOREIGN BEERS**

#### From West Germany

Bavarian Weizenbier (wheat beer) Weizen Bock (strong wheat beer)

Furstenberg: Export

Antonius Dunkles (dark)

#### From Belgium

Trappist Beers from Chimay, Orvalle & Westmalle

Lambic Beers from Timmermans:

Kriek - Cherry beer

Framboise - Raspberry beer

Hoegaarden "White" beer

We would like to thank the Malt and Hops, Caledonian Road, N1, for obtaining our licence for the festival.

The sixth London Drinker Beer Festival has been devised organised and staffed entirely by volunteer members of CAMRA, the Campaign for Real Ale.

Festival Organiser - Trevor Unwin

Foreign Beers

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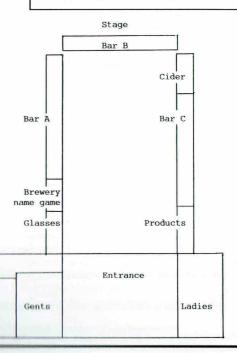
#### FOOD

Our "real" food is designed to complement our real ale. We offer a choice of traditional pub food at all sessions. We feature the "Pedigree" sausage, a truly British all-meat banger, made with real ale and free of all preservatives and artificial ingredients. To accompany it, there is traditional mashed potato, baked beans or crusty French bread. Our chilli con carne is made to a CAMRA recipe which has proved a resounding success at many beer festivals. We also have vegetable samosas and onion bhajis for the lover of spicy food. Our cornish pasties are delivered from the West Country every day. We also offer giant baps and rolls filled with cheese or our homecooked ham and beef.

Bon appetit!

John Conen

We will all do our best to ensure that the range of beers and ciders listed above is available throughout the festival. However, due to factors beyond our control it may be necessary to make changes.



Food

## CAMRA North London Branch - forthcoming social events

#### March

Sunday lunchtime socials: Skinners Arms, WC1

Tue 20th: Rosetti, NW8

Tue 27th: Wig and Gown, Holloway Road, then Compton Arms, N1

#### April

Sunday lunchtime socials: Hemingford Arms, N1

Tue 3rd: Ship Inn (Royal National Hotel, Bedford Way) then the Swan, then Queen's Larder, All WC1

Tue 10th: Fat Harry's, then The Globe, both N7

Tue 17th: Engineer then Prince Albert (Princess Road) Both NW1

Tue 24th: Victoria then Prince of Wales, both N7

#### May

Sunday lunchtime socials: Flask, NW3 All Tuesday socials start at 8.00 pm.

You've played the TOMBOLA now try THE BREWERY NAME GAME. If you pick out a brewery in current operation you win a prize! You will be surprised by the number of breweries which have been closed. Lots of prizes to be won.

#### MUSIC

Wednesday 8.00 pm - Mad Jocks and Englishmen

Tonight we have this outstanding Midlands based comic folk trio. They have appeared before at the festival and always been a resounding success.

Thursday 8.00pm - Stan Greg & Diz Disley This jazz duo consists of Stan at the piano and Diz on the guitar. Dis plays with Stephan Grapelli amongst many others, and is a well loved favourite on the folk/jazz scene.

Friday 7.30 pm - Brian Cookman
Brian is a folk singer and comedian who is well
known on the folk scene.



Mad Jocks and Englishmen

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Join CAMRA at the Festival - only £7.00 plus 2 free pints or a copy of the North London Beer Guide - also get back your admission money

#### APPLICATION FOR CAMRA MEMBERSHIP

I/We wish to join the Campaign for Real Ale Limited, and agree to abide by the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Campaign.

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#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF SCOTTISH BEER

Although primarily thought of as a distilling nation, Scotland has in fact a long and rich brewing tradition, which stretches back beyond that of whiskey. It is known that even in pre-Roman times the people of Scotland, notably the Picts, were noted brewers, but by the early Middle Ages the Pictish art of brewing had been lost, and brewing was restricted to monastic establishments such as Melrose, Holyrood, Banff and Arbroath.

By about the 15th Century, however, the secularisation of brewing had taken place, and brewing was extensively practised domestically, as a major by-product of the predominantly agrarian economy. Brewing was seasonal, from October to March, following on from the Harvest, and was usually carried out in the home by women. But at about this time the first 'publick' breweries - commercial brewers for sale - began to make an appearance. Commercial brewing gradually overtook domestic brewing until by the beginning of the present century the latter had virtually died out. Most towns of any size in Scotland could boast a brewery, and in 1850 Scotland had nearly 300 breweries. But increasingly, with better inland transport, the brewing industry began to concentrate into larger units in the more populous areas of the Central Lowlands, such as Edinburgh, Glasgow and Alloa.

Scottish brewing practice was distinctive, and departed from that of England in several respects, notably that of mashing at a higher temperature, sparging and fermenting longer at lower temperatures. Also the hop levels were traditionally much lower. The traditional beer produced in Scotland was a sweet, dark, heavy, strong drink known as Scotch Ale, and a weaker derivative of this was known as small or table beer, but from the 19th Century onwards most Scottish brewers turned to paler, more bitter, lower gravity beers known as Pale Ales, to which the water in many parts of Scotland was particularly suited. Their beers kept well, could be brewed all the year round and became very popular for export to the colonies, where they were known as India Pale Ales. As a result, Scottish beers had a large share of the export trade. From at least the 1880's when

Beer Duty replaced Sugar & Malt Taxes, Scottish beers were usually categorised by the shilling system, this being the invoice price of a barrel of beer before duty and discounts were added. The range of beers was vast in these days, ranging from weak Table beers of 28/- & 35/-, through Light and Mild Beers of 42/- & 48/-, Pale Ales of 54/- & 60/-, Export and Imperial Ales of 80/- & 100/-, right up to Strong Ales of 12gns & 15gns. The effect of two world wars and an inter-war depression was to greatly reduce both the varieties of beers and the number of breweries. By 1950 the number of breweries in Scotland was down to less than forty, and there was no brewery north of Dundee. Scottish breweries, with their particularly heavy dependence on the export trade, suffered badly in the post-war years when many export markets were lost for good. As a result there was a further rationalisation of the industry, and the late 1950's and 1960's took a particularly heavy toll of some of the most famous names in Scottish brewing history; breweries were down to only eleven and this trend towards reduction in number of units continued into the 1980's. despite the appearance of a handful of very small and ephemeral new breweries.

Today there are seven major breweries left in Scotland, with the addition of a few micro breweries. Of this seven, there is one large Scottish-based consortium, Scottish and Newcastle, with only one brewery in Edinburgh, but five in England. Tennent Caledonian, which has breweries in both Glasgow and Edinburgh, and Alloa Brewery Company Ltd. are subsidiaries of English-based companies, whilst there are three nominally independent brewery companies, Belhaven of Dunbar, Maclays of Alloa and Caledonian in Edinburgh. Although total output is much higher than in former times, the industry is now confinedd to the Central Belt, and in terms of both the number of units and persons employed it is a far cry from the days when the industry could be found the length and breadth of Scotland, and Scottish beers were revered world wide.

Courtesy of the Scottish Branches

#### **IDLE MOMENTS**

Firstly, let me refer you to last month's letters page and the two bits at the end of Robert McGowan's letter. You will all have worked out, of course, that the brewery of which ROMANCES is an anagram is none other than the one remaining operational plant in the empire of Brent Walker Leisure, CAMERONS. Now I'll bet that none of you got the solution to 168 PNV 1000. There's a good reason for that; our typesetters made an error. I'm afraid - the puzzle should have read 168 PNU 1000. Rather than spoil the puzzle by giving you the answer straight away I shall hold the solution over for another month. (We certainly know how to milk a subject to the limit here!)

You may recall as long ago as last May I offered a prize of £5 to the writer of what I thought was the best Mirror Writing sentence submitted. In fact, I promised to announce the winner in the December edition but what with one thing and another (which is a long winded way of saying I forgot) it hasn't happened until now. Well, I suppose I had to expect it but I'm afraid I was a bit put off by the number of entrants who had to lower the tone of things by insisting on the use of the word VOMIT, often in conjunction with TOMATO. At the end of the day I thought the following limerick from Noel Jones which we printed in December was about the best (partly because it contained neither of those words) so I am awarding it the promised fiver:

MIHW YHT OT WOV I HTAO YM .MIH OT MIA MUMIXAM HTIW OHW .YHTOMIT OT **WITHOUT A TATTOO,** !MIV HTIW YMMOT YXAW TIWTUO

You may also recall that one of our contributors. Denys Vernall promised a similar sum to the writer of the first mirror writing non-rhyming limerick. The only one received came from Neil Rutherford and we printed it in September. He said in his letter that he was too ashamed to receive the prize (though not to be known as a purveyor of rubbish, you will note) and if no better solution be received the money should be given to a deserving cause. Well Neil, the money is your's; I shall leave it up to you to donate where you see fit if you are still too ashamed to pocket it. Anyway, here is a reminder

of Neil's literary effort:

MIA YHTOMIT WOH YTTAT WOH MIH TA OTAMOT TIMOV OT **HTOUM MUMIXAM HTIW** HTUOY TOH TIWTUO OT "M'I" HTIW YMMUT YM OOTTAT I

Now it's brewery anagram time again and as usual I shall start with last month's solutions:

1. OLD HEN HOLDEN 2. LEW SELLS CHAR CHARLES WELLS

3. NOAH HELD A LOUD SOW

WOODHOUSE 4. DANNY CASTS YATES AND A JOKE **JACKSON** 

HALL AND

5. NEW CAT SLOT **CASTLETOWN** 

Now, by way of a change, I present for your delectation and delight a changed format. This was invented by two chaps who use the pseudonyms Mild and Bitter in their letter but who give the game away by saying that they are really Iain Cobb and Antony Whitehead of West Norwood (Yes lads, you're famous - the beers will be on you tonight). They say that they came up with the following while exercising their grey matter over several pints of Youngs Special (Who said that's a contradiction in terms); say what you like about its literary style, it contains no less than twenty one brewery anagrams. I thought I might highlight them to make life easier but then I changed my mind because I've got a cold at the moment so I thought I'd make you lot suffer as well. So here goes; see how many you can find:

#### A MAD PROSE

Turn Martin red? He's full. Will he swell and burst? There's no room for a sampler of a sneaking brand or even the brewers ale you cry by. No guys shall drink this now, not even Hard Ian from Darnall (Sheffield). Here they have no trams so no bare sparks. Hence we went by bus to a bar that holds faded lion skin. Here, with jellied eels, we discuss brewing and the effect of yeast strains and so we propose a toast: Lover hand down empty laud to what I bred so as to engineer K.G. and to ensure that binds don't go and the threat of closure sighs on.

# Whatever your taste .... whatever your style ....





Ordnance Arms 29 Ordnance Hill St John's Wood London NW8

...at a

You can be sure
of the perfect pint...



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That was good, wasn't it? Now to get on with the number puzzle - nobody has sent me anything extraordinary about this so we shall just get on with last month's solutions:

- 1. 12 Months in a Year
- 2. 8 Henries (Kings of England)
- 3. 3 Colours on the Traffic Lights
- 4. 19 Nervous Breakdowns (Rolling Stones)
- 5. 1000 Words that a Picture is Worth
- 6. 1728 Cubic Inches in a Cubic Foot
- 7. 4000 Holes in Blackburn, Lancashire
- 8. 6 Pockets on a Snooker Table
- 9. 3 Volumes to the Lord of the Rings
- 10.37 Slots on a Roulette Wheel

followed by this month's puzzle:

1. 13	LM in a Y
2. 192	DE

3. 186,000 S of L (MPS) 4. 12 GM and T (on a J)

5. 1812 O (T) 6. 1 KE 7. 2468 WDWA

8. 212 BP of W (F) 9. 1000 K in a T

9. 1000 K in a T 10.4 Q in a C

See you soon!

**Andy Pirson** 

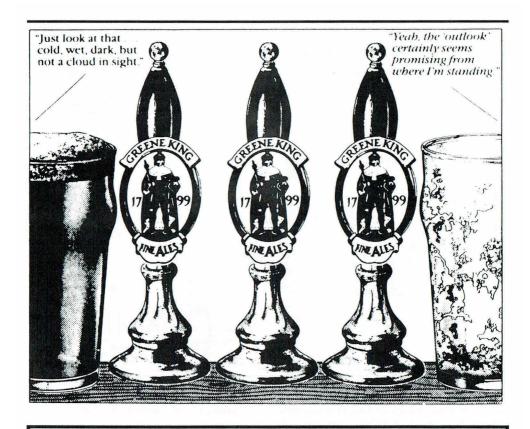
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#### BEER BRIEFING

#### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 51

The pub and real ale scene in London is constantly changing. The aim of this column is to keep "London Drinker" readers up to date with events as they happen and record confirmed changes to pubs and beers as they are reported.

This month we welcome a new Clifton Inns (Grand Met.) pub brewery installed at the Duke of Norfolk, 202 Westbourne Grove, W11. This joins the three existing Clifton Inns pub breweries in London at the Yorkshire Grey, WC2; the Orange, SW1 and the Greyhound, SW16. A mild and three bitters are produced at the Duke of Norfolk and can be sampled at the pub itself and also under different names at two other Clifton Inns pubs in W2. On the minus side, a number of well established Grand Met. 'free houses,' now absorbed into an enlarged Clifton Inns chain, have ceased selling non-Grand Met. beers and have effectively reverted to 'Watney' pubs. In many other parts of London these quasi-free houses offered the only respite from Big Brewers products, albeit at a price. The compilers would welcome more information on the current situation in these pubs.

The numbers in brackets after each entry are intended to make it easy to update your London beer guides. They refer to page numbers in the East London & City Beer Guide, 2nd edition (E prefix); the North London Beer Guide, 2nd edition (N prefix); the South East London Pub Guide, 3rd edition (SE prefix), Real Beer in South West London (SW prefix); Real Beer in West London (W prefix); the Essex Beer Guide, 7th edition (X prefix) or previous updates (U prefix).

If you would like to report changes to pubs or beers please write to: Beer Guides Updates, 2 Sandtoft Road, London SE7 7LR.

#### NEW PUBS & PUBS CONVERTED TO REAL ALE SOUTH EAST

SE1, GENERAL ABERCROMBIE, 94 Webber Street. Courage: Best Bitter, Directors Bitter. (SE22)

SE5, HERMITS CAVE, 28 Camberwell Church Street. Flowers: Original Bitter. Marston: Pedigree. Wethered: Winter Royal. Whitbread: Castle Eden Ale. (SE57) SE5, SILVER BUCKLE, 19 Camberwell Green. Theakston: Best Bitter. Probably the last Youngers pub in Greater London to convert to real ale. (SE59)

SE22, UPLANDS TAVERN, 90 Crystal Palace Road. Courage: Best Bitter, Directors Bitter. John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (SE174)

#### SOUTH WEST

**SW6, PITCHER & PIANO,** 871-3 Fulham Road. Ruddle: County. Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. Wine bar now with range of expensive beers. Beware Greene King: IPA on false handpull.

**SW9, GROSVENOR,** 17 Sidney Road. Charrington: IPA. (Reinstatement) (SW36, U39)

SW12, PITCHER & PIANO, 8 Balham Hill. Ruddle: County. Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. New wine bar in former workshop premises; expensive.

#### WEST

HAMPTON, RAILWAY BELL, Station Road. Courage: Best Bitter. (W103)

## PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE. SOUTH EAST

SE1, DOVER CASTLE, 6A Great Dover Street. Watney, H unused. (SE20)

SE5, STATION, 296A Camberwell New Road. Watney, H removed. (SE59)

SE15, EDINBURGH CASTLE. Truman, H removed. (SE118)

SE15, STUART ARMS. Truman, closed future uncertain. (SE124) SOUTH WEST

SW4, JOLLY GARDENERS. Charrington (fizz), closed – future uncertain. (SW24)
SW8, LORD PALMERSTON. Truman, closed – future uncertain. (SW33)
SW9, CANTERBURY ARMS. Free House,
H unused. (SW36)

HAMPTON HILL, VALIANT KNIGHT. Watney, closed - future uncertain. (W106)

#### OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES CENTRAL.

W1 (Mar), BRICKLAYERS ARMS, 6 New Quebec Street. + King & Barnes: Festive Ale. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (W34)

W1 (Mar), CASK & GLASS. - Ruddle: Best Bitter. + Ruddle: County. (W34)

W1 (Mar), HENRY HOLLAND. - Wethered: Bitter. + Boddington: Bitter. (W34)

W1 (Mar), ROYAL OAK. - Ind Coope: Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter. + Young: Special. (W36) W1 (Mar), THREE TUNS. - Everard: Old

Original. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter.

## BEER BRIEFING LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 51 Continued

W1 (Mar), VICTORY. Whitbread range beers rotate on single handpump. (W36) W1 (S), ADMIRAL DUNCAN. + Theakston: Best Bitter. (W61) WC1, DOLPHIN TAVERN, 44 Red Lion Street. - Flowers: Original Bitter. + Flowers: IPA. + Marston: Pedigree. (N15, W46) WC1, MOON. - beers listed. + Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. Erstwhile renowned 'Free House' now demoted to Watney range beers as part of enlarged Clifton Inns group. Reclassify as Watney house. (N18, W47) WC1, QUEENS LARDER. - Greene King: Abbot Ale. + Marston: Pedigree. (N22, W50) WC2, EVERGREENS. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. WC2, KEMBLES HEAD. - Greene King: Abbot Ale. - Wells: Bombardier. + Ruddle: County. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. Another Clifton Inns 'Free House' reverts to Watney range beers only. Reclassify as a Watney house. (W54) WC2, SUGAR LOAF. + Fuller: ESB (winter). WC2, SUN, 21 Drury Lane. - Greene King: Abbot Ale. + Boddington: Bitter. + Flowers: Original Bitter. (W56) WC2, WHITE HART. + Fuller: ESB (winter). ((W57))NORTH WEST NW8, CROWN. - McMullen: Country Bitter. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (N156) NW8, PRINCESS ROYAL. + Fuller: ESB. (N158) SOUTH EAST SE1, BELL. - Charrington: IPA. + Bass. SE1, BLUE EYED MAID. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SE16) SE1, GUYS ARMS. - Courage: Directors Bitter. (SE25) SE1, LORD CLYDE. - Truman: Best Bitter. + Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. (SE29) SE1, ROEBUCK. - Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SE38) SE1, SKINNERS ARMS. + Flowers: IPA, Original Bitter. (SE40) SE1, TRINITY ARMS. - Banks & Taylor: St. Albans Ale. (SE43) SE1, WHITESMITHS ARMS. - Courage: Directors Bitter. (SE44) SE5, FATHER REDCAP. - Courage: Directors Bitter. + Courage: Best Bitter (SE56) SE5, GROVE HOUSE TAVERN. - Tetley: Bitter. (SE57, U43)

SE15, MAN OF KENT. - Truman: Best Bitter.

+ Ruddle: County. + Webster: Yorkshire

Bitter. (SE120)

SE15 MONTPELIER, 43 Choumert Road. - Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SE121) SE15, RYE HOTEL. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter. (SE123) SE15, WAVERLEY ARMS. + Bass. (SE125) SE15, WISHING WELL, 79 Choumert Road. - beers listed. + Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. Now Watney range beers only in this independent Free House. Note correct address. (SE125) SE21, CROWN & GREYHOUND. - Benskins: Bitter. - Taylor Walker: Bitter. + Young: Special. (SE167, U43) SE21, SIR ERNEST SHACKLETON. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SE167) SE22, CASTLE. - Ind Coope: Bitter. (SE171) SE22, CHEERS. Renamed DULWICH MANOR. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SE171) SE22, FORESTERS ARMS. + Marston: Pedigree. (SE172) SE22 LORD PALMERSTON. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SE174) SE22, PLOUGH. + Fuller: ESB (winter). (SE174) ADDISCOMBE, CLARET WINE BAR. + King & Barnes: Broadwood. + Palmers: IPA. (SE238) SOUTH WEST SW2, DUKE OF WELLINGTON. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter. + Ind Coope: Burton Ale. Real ale not always available. (SW19) SW3, MAN IN THE MOON. - beers listed. + Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. Clifton Inns 'Free House' now selling Watney range beers only. Reclassify as Watney house. (SW22) SW6, ATLAS. - Truman: Best Bitter. + Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. (SW27) SW8, BUCKLEYS. - beers listed except Young: Special. + Ruddle: County. Real ale not always available. Formerly LORD RAGLAN. (SW33, U34) SW8, MAWBEY ARMS. Believed to be using cask breather. (SW34, U39, U43) SW8, NOTTINGHAM CASTLE. - beers listed except Young: Bitter, Special. + Burke: Lions Bitter. + Greene King: Abbot Ale. (SW34) SW8, PRIORY ARMS. - beers listed except Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + Fuller: London Pride. + Hall & Woodhouse: Badger Best Bitter. + Young: Bitter, Special, Winter Warmer. Now a Free House, ex-Watney. (SW34) SW9. DUKE OF EDINBURGH. - beers listed. + Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. + Webster:

Yorkshire Bitter. (SW36)

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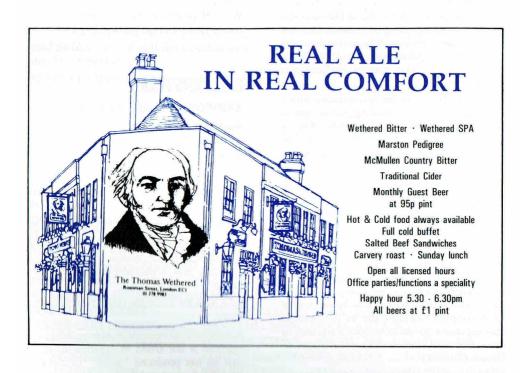
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#### FIRST NATIONAL CIDER AND PERRY EXHIBITION

For a city with as many pubs as London has, the number of outlets for traditional cider is depressingly small. In fact the number of different ciders generally available in our Capital's drinking establishment is are even smaller! And as perry, forget it.

But in May this situation changes dramatically - well, for two days anyway - as CAMRA'S First National Cider and Perry Exhibition takes place at King's Cross, at the venue better known for hosting the London Drinker Beer Festival.

Approximately 40 ciders and perries will be available for the tasting and no area of Britian has been unscathed in our search for these disappearing drinks. Somerset, of course, is a must and a variety of ciders from the famous cider county will be there, including the cider that changes colour in your glass, (Makes a change from these new "white" ciders, that don't have any colour at all!)

The rest of the West country will be well represented as well. A number of Devon ciders will be appearing, along with examples from Avon, Worcestershire, Gloucestershire and Herefordshire. Quite a number of these are completley unknown outside of their own villages.

Dorset and Wiltshire are two counties with a long tradition of cider-making that are not as well known today as they should be. Among the various offerings from these areas will be the quaintly named Lazy Daisy, making its debut in London.

The home counties used to produce quite a lot of cider, but unfortunately this is not the case now. But we have managed to trace a new producer in the New Forest and a couple from Surrey and Sussex. Hopefully, these too will be available. Of course, the exception to the disappearing cider in the South East is Kent, and at least one of their producers will be represented. East Anglia, once very well known for its cider, is unfortunately now known mainly for its Gaymers Keg cider. But we've employed very expensive private investigators and tracked down Potmere from Norfolk and Boxford of Groton (Suffolk).

Moving north, comes Skittain, produced at the

British Oak, Dudley, part of the Black Country area of the West Midlands, a region better known for its chain and lockmaking industries than its cider. From even further north comes Rooftop cider, occasionally available at the Flying Pig at Ravensthrope, West Yorkshire. To complete the line-up, the most obscure so far discovered is a genuine Scottish cider (no doubt pressed through old kilts) which we are hoping to import for this historic occasion.

Perry is getting harder to find and with last year's pear crop in short supply, a number of smaller producers will not have any available this year. But have no fear, a selection will be found to suit all tastes.

The exhibition will also include entertainment and on the Friday evening will feature the Yetties, a band who have been associated with cider for many years. Food will be served throughout and a family room will be available.

The exhibition takes place on 18/19 May at Camden Centre, Bidborough Street, London WC1. Hope to see you there and please feel free to find me in the hall and buy me a drink.

Mick Lewis

#### CIDER AND PERRY

ASHWOOD Cheddar, Somerset, Cider

Small producer who moved south from Scotland. Although laborious, still presses through straw

BAKER Devon. Cider.

Another small producer, from north Devon. One of the many farm producers whose main business is still farming!

BROMELL Tedburn St. Mary, Devon Cider.

One of a number of cidermakers in the Exeter area. Eric Bromell produces around 30,000 gallons a year, a considerable amount for a farmer.

**FRANKLIN** Little Hereford, Herefordshire. Perry.

A fairly recent convert to eidermaking, Jim Franklin is not afraid to experiment. In the past he has produced "pider" (a blend of apples and pears) and bottle-conditioned sage

perry, as well as a natural pink coloured cider.

**HARTLAND** Eldersfield, Gloucestershire. Cider and perry.

As featured on Central TV news, Ray and Derek Hartland are about as rural as they come. Their perry won the perry of the festival Award at the Great British Beer Festival last year.

#### HECKS Street, Somerset, Cider

One of the few producers situated in the middle of a town! They have recently been planting new perry pear trees and hope that these will bear fruit in the distant future.

#### HOOPER Somerset. Cider

A very small producer who usually supplies just his own village.

#### LANE West Monkton, Somerset. Cider

Over recent years, Gary and his father have been planting new apple trees and installing new equipment, perhaps the way forward for a lot of producers.

#### RICHARDS Congresbury, Avon. Perry.

One of the small number of producers still making perry, a drink still almost unknown to the British public.

SUMMERS Halmore, Gloucestershire. Perry.

Another producer who in the past has made "pider". This perry is very dry and free from artificial fertilisers, pesticides and fungicides.

WILKINS Mugdley, Somerset. Cider.

No stranger to beer festivals, Roger Wilkins has won the Cider of the Festival Award at the Great British Beer Festival for the last two years.

CLUB NEWS: Our Campaigns Officer, Ted Bradley, is compiling a list of all clubs in the W. Middlesex branch area that sell Real Ale. proper beer is becoming more and more available on the club scene nowadays and we feel that this is an area worth campaigning in. If you know of any Club - be it C.I.U., Conservative, Liberal, Labour, your own Works or Sports Club, then let Ted know. He can be contacted on 573 8144 or write to him at 4, Derwent Drive, Hayes, Middlesex.

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#### **DEAR DIPSY**



Dear Dipsey

We write to you with our problems as you well know but I am beginning to have my doubts as to whether you are the right person to solve my problems when you seem to be going through an identity crisis of your own. I refer to the fact that in February you grew an extra "e". You are not turning into a Yorkshireman are you? I'm told that they say "ee" a lot. Furthermore from your portrait it appears to me that you are going to pieces.

A Solicitous Reader Teddington

#### Dear A.S. Reader

Thankyou for your concern. It was just an experiment I was trying as I had heard that beer is cheaper in Yorkshire. As to my portrait, it is more a case of going to pixels than pieces.

Dipsy

Dear Dipsy

I regularly drink 30 pints of Beamish and Guinness a week and am beginning to put on a lot of weight. I blame this on my wife because it stands to reason that this is caused by all the salads that she is making me eat. After all, the biggest animals are all vegetarians (elephants, hippos, cows etc). Can you reason with her?

Stout Drinker

#### Dear S. Drinker

Years of research have shown that it is impossible to reason with wives who insist on feeding their husbands on salad, so I'm afraid that it's just hard luck. One thing you could try is cutting down your beer intake. I suggest that you should be able to manage on just thirty pints of Beamish OR Guinness a week (or maybe fifteen pints of each).

Dipsy

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Dear Dipsy

Half the time I try to get into a strange pub I bump into a door that has been locked or walled shut. What is the point of doors that aren't meant to be used? Are pubs built this way to confuse drinkers? Why do breweries spend so much on conversions **inside** the premises but do nothing about this.

Sorehead

Dear Sorehead

You've found this problem as well have you? I too have drunk in some pretty strange pubs in my time and have found that the only solution is to become better acquainted with them - but mind that you don't become as strange as some of the pubs are. One of your many questions can be answered, however; the reason that the breweries spend so much on the insides of their pubs is that they are trying to conceal the blocked up doors!

Dipsy

## BEER BRIEFING LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 51 Continued

SW9, GREEN MAN. - Ruddle: County. (SW36) SW9, LANDOR. - Truman: Best Bitter. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. Full range not always available. Note correct title. SW9, PRINCE ALBERT. + Flowers: Original Bitter. (SW36) SW9. WHITE HART. - beers listed. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SW37) SW10, GUNTER ARMS. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter. + Young: Special. (SW38) SW10, IFIELD TAVERN. - Ind Coope: Burton Ale. + Tetley: Bitter. (SW38) SW10, SOMERSET ARMS. - beers listed except Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (SW38) SW12, PRINCE OF WALES. + John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (SW43) SW13, MANOR ARMS. - John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (SW43) SW13. ROSE OF DENMARK. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SW43) SW14, PIG & WHISTLE. - Greene King: IPA. - Ruddle: County. + Greene King: Abbot Ale. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. N.B. normal opening hours apply. (U43) SW14, RAILWAY TAVERN. - beers listed except Hall & Woodhouse: Badger Best Bitter, Tanglefoot. + Adnams: Bitter, Broadside. (SW45) SW15, FOX & HOUNDS. - Wethered: Samuel Whitbread Ale, Winter Royal. - Whitbread: Castle Eden Ale. + Flowers: IPA. + Marston: Pedigree (SW46, U48) SW15, WHITE LION. - beers listed except Vaux: Sampson and Ward: Sheffield Best Bitter. + Adnams: Broadside. + Boddington: Bitter. + Brakspear: Special Bitter. + Eldridge Pope: Royal Oak. + Greene King: Abbot Ale. + Timothy Taylor: Landlord. + Ward: Darley Thorne Best Bitter. Range may well vary but above changes make list more representative. (SW68) MITCHAM, QUEENS HEAD. - Bass. + Fuller: ESB. (SW68, U39) MITCHAM, STAR. - Tetley: Bitter. (SW69, MITCHAM, THREE KINGS. - Young: Special. + John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (SW69, RICHMOND, WHITE HORSE. + Fuller: Chiswick Bitter. (SW73, U31) WEST

W2, DUKE OF KENDAL. - Younger: Scotch

W2, KINGS HEAD TAVERN. - Truman: Best Bitter. + Duke of Norfolk: Checkmate Mild (OG 1033-7), Checkmate (1042-6). (W59)

Bitter, IPA. (W59, U43)

W2, ROYAL EXCHANGE. - Arkell: BBB. + Wethered: Bitter. (W62) W2, ROYAL STANDARD. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter. + Young: Special. (W63) W2, TAVISTOCKS. - Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + Duke of Norfolk: Portobello Mild (OG 1032-6), W2 (1040-4), Tavistock Best (1045-9). (W63) W4, GROVE PARK HOTEL. Beware John Smith pump clip merely advertising keg dispense. (W69) W4. PACKHORSE & TALBOT. - beers listed. + Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. Another well established Clifton Inns Free House reverting to Watney range beers only. Reclassify as Watney house. (W69) W11, BLENHEIM ARMS. - Flowers: Original Bitter. - Wethered: Bitter. + Boddington: Bitter. Now refurbished. (W87) W11, DUKE OF NORFOLK. - beers listed. + Duke of Norfolk: Portobello Mild (OG 1033-7), Broads Bitter (1043-7), Norfolk Best (1045-9), Dynamite (1054-8). + Bulmer: Traditional Cider. A new Clifton Inns pub brewery using the equipment previously installed at the Jolly Fenman, Blackfen. Beers are also supplied to the Kings Head and Tavistocks, W2 (see above). (W87)BRENTFORD, NEW INN. + John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (W98) CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 49

CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 49
OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES
SW6, WATERFORD. Should read renamed
PICKLED PELICAN.

CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 50

NEW PUBS & PUBS CONVERTED TO REAL ALE

E8, TAYLORS. Reference omitted Œ110).

SW3, MARLBOROUGH ARMS. Address is Elystan

Street.

PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE SW1 (P), DOLPHIN. EL FLAMENCO is a tapas bar & restaurant.

OTHER CHANGES TO PURS & BEER RANGES
Pages 24 & 26 should be reversed except
that RUISLIP and SOUTHALL should appear
under WEST on page 24.

WEMBLEY, HARROW TAVERN. Reference should read (W159).

SW9, PRINCE OF WALES. Reference should read (SW37, U46)

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RICHMOND, WHITE HORSE

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Park Place OUTSIDE LONDON BRIGHTON, NOBLES BAR, New Road BRIGHTON, HAND IN HAND, Upper St James Street. BRIGHTON, QUEENS HEAD, Opposite Station. COLCHESTER, ODD ONE OUT, 28 Mersea Road. ELLAND (Yorks), BARGE & BARREL. HITCHIN (Herts), NEW FOUND OUT INN, Stevenage Road. LEWES, BREWERS ARMS, High Street. MANCHESTER, JOLLY ANGLER, Ducie Street PETERBOROUGH, BOGART'S, North Street POTTERS BAR (Herts), CHEQUERS, Coopers Lane. READING, GROG SHOP (Off Licence), London Road READING, WARWICK ARMS, Kings Road READING, HOOK & TACKLE, Katesgrove Lane. SALISBURY (Wilts), WYNDHAM ARMS, Estcourt Road. SHREWSBURY, ADMIRAL BENBOW, 10 Swan Hill STEVENAGE (Herts) RED LION, High Street, Old Town. SOUTHAMPTON, JUNCTION INN, Priory Road, St Denys. TILLINGHAM (Essex), CAP & FEATHERS, South Street. WINCHESTER, BELL, St. Cross Road WORTHING (Sussex), WHEAT-SHEAF, Richmond Road. WORCESTER, BREWERY TAP & BREWERY, 50 Lowesmoor WORTHING, VINE, Tarring High Street Do you have difficulty in getting your copy of London Drinker?

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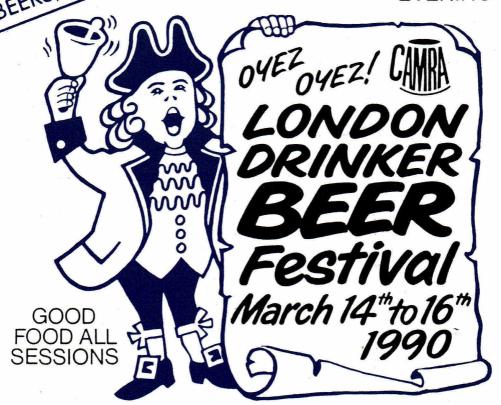
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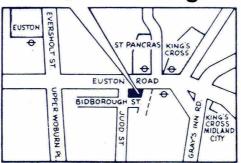
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