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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 EAST PUBS

EC1 ARTILLERY ARMS
EC1 BETSY TROTWOOD
EC1 CITY PRIDE
EC1 CROWN TAVERN
EC1 EAGLE
EC1 HAND & SHEARS
EC1 HORSESHOE
EC1 PHEASANT & FIRKIN
EC1 SEKFORDE ARMS
EC1 THOMAS WETHERED
EC2 FLEETWOOD
E1 ARTFUL DODGER
E1 FISH & RING
E2 APPROACH TAVERN
E2 NELSON'S HEAD
E2 SHIP & BLUE BALL
E8 LADY DIANA
E9 ROYAL STANDARD
E10 DRUM
E11 NORTHCOTE
E14 QUEENS HEAD
E15 ESSEX ARMS
E15 PRINCESS OF WALES
E17 COLLEGE ARMS
E17 COPPERMILL
SE1 ANCHOR & HOPE
SE1 FOUNDERS ARMS
SE1 GEORGE INN
SE1 GOOSE & FIRKIN
SE1 HORNIMAN AT HAYS
SE1 KINGS ARMS
SE1 LEATHER EXCHANGE
SE1 MARKET PORTER
SE1 SOUTHWARK TAVERN
SE1 WELLINGTON
SE1 WHEATSHEAF
SE3 BRITISH OAK
SE5 PHOENIX & FIRKIN
SE7 McDONNELLS
SE8 DOG & BELL
SE8 ROYAL GEORGE
SE9 PARK TAVERN
SE9 ROYAL ELTHAM
SE10 ASHBURNHAM ARMS
SE10 BRITISH SAILOR
SE10 FROG & RADIATOR
SE10 HARDY'S
SE13 FOX & FIRKIN
SE16 BLACKSMITHS ARMS
SE16 MANOR TAVERN
SE16 MOBY DICK
SE17 TANKARD
SE18 EARL OF CHATHAM
SE18 GATEHOUSE
SE18 MELBOURNE ARMS
SE18 PRINCESS OF WALES
SE18 VILLAGE BLACKSMITH
SE19 RAILWAY BELL
SE19 ROYAL ALBERT
SE20 ANERLEY ARMS
SE20 HOP EXCHANGE
SE22 CRYSTAL PALACE TAVERN

SE24 COMMERCIAL
SE24 PRINCE REGENT
SE25 GOAT HOUSE
SE25 PRINCE OF DENMARK
SE25 SHIP
SE27 HOPE
SE27 GIPSY QUEEN
BEXLEY, BLUE ANCHOR
CROYDON, LION
THORNTON HEATH, FOUNTAIN
HEAD
THORNTON HEATH, WHEAT
SHEAF

OFF TRADE

E4 Waltham Wines, 72 Sewardstone Road.
E15 Bacchus's Bin
SE3 Bitter Experience, 128 Lee Road.
BEXLEYHEATH, Bitter Experience, 216 Broadway.
BROMLEY, Bitter End, 139 Masons Hill.

CLUBS

CROYDON, Ruskin House, 23 Coombe Road.

OUTLETS - WEST CENTRAL, AND NORTH PUBS

WC1 CALTHORPE ARMS
WC1 CITIE OF YORKE
WC1 HANSLER ARMS
WC1 LAMB
WC1 MARLBOROUGH ARMS
WC1 MOON
WC1 PERCY ARMS
WC1 PAKENHAM ARMS
WC1 PRINCESS LOUISE
WC1 RUGBY TAVERN
WC1 SUN
WC2 CROWN & ANCHOR
WC2 GEORGE IV
WC2 LYCEUM
WC2 FREEMASONS ARMS
N1 COMPTON ARMS
N1 EARL OF RADNOR
N1 FLOUNDER & FIRKIN
N1 GEORGE IV
N1 GEORGE & VULTURE
N1 HEMINGFORD ARMS
N1 KINGS HEAD, 59 Essex Road.
N1 LORD WOLSELEY
N1 MALT & HOPS
N1 MARQUESS TAVERN
N1 PRINCE ALBERT
N1 PRINCE ARTHUR
N2 OLD WHITE LION
N2 WINDSOR CASTLE
N4 MARLERS
N4 MORTIMER ARMS
N4 OLD SUFFOLK PUNCH
N4 WHITE LION OF MORTIMER

N7 ADMIRAL MANN
N7 FAT HARRY'S
N7 FLOUNDER & FIRKIN
N8 TOLL GATE
N12 MOSS HALL TAVERN
N12 TILTED GLASS
N15 GOAT
N15 K. K. McCools
N16 ROSE & CROWN
N16 TANNERS HALL
N17 BOAR
N17 ELBOW ROOM
N17 NARROW BOAT
N19 DOG
N19 J. J. MOONS
N20 BULL & BUTCHER
N21 DOG & DUCK
N22 MOON UNDER WATER
N22 NELSON
BARNET, ALEXANDRA
BARNET, MOON UNDER WATER
BARNET, WEAVER
ENFIELD, KING & TINKER
ENFIELD, MOON UNDER WATER
(OFF TRADE) N2,
GROGBLOSSOM
ENFIELD, OLD WHEATSHEAF
NEW BARNET, BUILDER ARMS

OUTLETS - NORTH-WEST PUBS

NW1 DUCK INN
NW1 GLOUCESTER ARMS
NW1 VICTORIA
NW3 FLASK TAVERN
NW3 WELLS HOTEL
NW4 WHITE LION OF MORTIMER
NW7 RAILWAY TAVERN
NW8 CROCKERS
NW9 GEORGE
NW9 J. J. MOONS
NW10 GRAND JUNCTION ARMS
HAREFIELD, PLOUGH
HARROW, KINGSFIELD ARMS

OFF TRADE

N1 Beer Shop, Pitfield Street.
NW6 Grog Blossom, 235 West End Lane.

CLUBS

WC1 UNIVERSITY OF LONDON
UNION, Malet Street
WC2 L.S.E. Houghton Street

OUTLETS - SOUTH WEST and WEST PUBS

SW1 BARLEY MOW
SW1 BUCKINGHAM ARMS
SW1 FOX & HOUNDS
SW1 MORPETH ARMS
SW1 ORANGE BREWERY
SW1 PAVIOURS ARMS
SW1 RED LION

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EDITORIAL

About this time last year there was a little excitement within CAMRA circles that a little known (except to fairly keen beer drinkers) Scottish brewery was buying pubs in London and the South East. The brewery concerned has had a chequered history of ownership including Eric Morley's Miss World Organisation. It has for some time now been a subsidiary of financier, Nazmu Virani's London based Control Securities PLC and is, in fact, Scotland's oldest "independent" brewery, Belhaven of Dunbar. What was perhaps of most interest to the beer drinker was that all the pubs they were acquiring were ex Watney or Truman pubs, a significant proportion of them coming via the Brent Walker estate who had not exactly gone out of their way to increase the choice of real ale to the punter.

Over the months from July to November 1989 the Beer Guide Updates column of London Drinker listed 98 pubs in the Greater London area (of which one was, admittedly, closed) which had transferred to Belhaven but our joy was somewhat tempered by the fact that among these pubs not a single sighting of Belhaven's excellent real ales was to be seen. I visited one of them in my branch area and found it selling Tetley Bitter with another handpump featuring a Benskin's pump clip turned away from the customer's gaze. The pub did have Belhaven keg bitter and lager though.

So we are now a year on from when this all started happening; what progress has been made towards seeing real Belhaven beers in London? Frankly, so far as I can see, none whatsoever (I was going to write "b***** all" there but I wouldn't be so crude). A friend and fellow CAMRA member went into that selfsame pub a couple of weeks ago to see what was happening; he was told by the landlord that last November they received a Belhaven 80/- pump clip but this had not been followed by any liquid product bearing that name.

The landlord reported that the Belhaven beers were being distributed (presumably along with the Allied real beers) from the Friary Meux depot in Effingham, Surrey. He also said that they were waiting until they had an estate of sufficient size down here to warrant shipping real beer down. I was a little surprised at this statement; isn't 97 (open) pubs in Greater London and presumably some more outside in

the Home Counties enough? After all, Belhaven only has about 40 tied pubs in its Scottish estate.

This, I am afraid strikes me as a load of eyewash; I don't think that Belhaven has any intention of supplying the South East with its real beers. What I think is more significant is that the number of pubs they are buying (and the 1990 Good Beer Guide indicates a target of a 1,000 pub estate serviced by Allied) will be far in excess of what the brewery could supply with real beer. I believe that the estate in the South East has nothing to do with Belhaven as such, the parent company is just using the brewery name as a front because nobody would go into a pub that had "Control Securities" banners all over it. I should love to be proved wrong, but I don't think I shall.

One particular reason why I should like to see these pubs selling Belhaven beers is that the closed down pub I referred to earlier is located just round the corner from my home. It is the second closest pub to my front door and is also the pub where I first started drinking with my Dad on a Sunday lunchtime, first on glasses of ginger, and progressing on through shandies to Watney's Special Bitter. (There's an admission to make!) The pub, which was a small street corner local, became very run down and was closed and boarded up some months after it was bought by Brent Walker and it was in this state when it was transferred to its present owners. Then, around last Christmas time, while it was being occupied by squatters there was a major fire in the building which left it open to the sky.

We thought that was the end. A paddock attached to the pub had been sold and a row of four town houses built there; we thought that the row would be increased further. But no! Only about a month ago (as I write this in early July) some new timber started appearing around the window openings. Last week they started putting up new roof timbers; the building is being rebuilt - hopefully it will still be a pub. What are the chances that its reopening will be celebrated by it being supplied with real Belhaven beers?

Over to you Belhaven! Will you do the decent thing?

Andy Pirson

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

In the past month we have received two letters from Mr Price of Barking on different subjects. We have combined them into the following composite letter:

Dear Andy,

Re my previous letter about Bruce's, according to the Herts newsletter (No. 120) I picked up recently, beers at the Flock, the Phantom and the Fuzzcock are all full mash and served without blanket pressure.

In your July editorial you comment on Youngs beers in Allied pubs. In the Captain Cook, an Allied pub in Barking, Youngs Ordinary at £1.12 a pint is 3p cheaper than the Youngs pub in Barking, the Britannia, and usually just as good. Both these pubs are managed.

I have seen Flowers IPA as a guest beer in a Truman pub, The Gun, E1. Presumably "any supplier" includes another Big Five brewery.

Best wishes

Colin Price, Barking

Editor's reply:

Taking your last point first, most certainly although it could also be that there is a cross trading agreement between the breweries concerned. Either way, I hope that CAMRA members are not drinking the Whitbread beer.

On the question of Youngs beers and Allied pubs your report is certainly the reverse of my, admittedly limited, experience. In my area the price differential has definitely been the other way and more like 8p to 10p a pint.

Thanks for the information you also sent about transfers of pubs to Youngs. This confirms information from another source and is covered elsewhere in this issue.

Andy Pirson

Dear Sir

Your West Middlesex news item in June's edition regarding the Ealing Beer Festival states that the beer had all but one (sic) out by 9.30 pm on the Saturday. It also says the Festival "was a resounding success".

It was not a resounding success for anyone who turned up on the Saturday at 8.45 pm.

May my friends and I please have an explanation why the beer was allowed to run out and some

not held back, and why, in any event, there was no notice outside the hall indicating the position. A refund of our entrance fees would not be out of place.

Yours faithfully

Maurice Guyer, Ealing, W13

Editor's reply:

Unfortunately a lack of time, brought about by pressures of work etc has not allowed us time to put your points to the West Middlesex Branch of CAMRA who organised the event for a direct reply; maybe they will be able to do so in time for the next edition.

May I, however, be allowed to put a point of view from somebody who was not involved in this event but who has helped to organise other beer festivals in the past. In an ideal world all of the beers at a festival would run out at the same time - closing time of the last session but it is a fact of life that this never happens. It is also a sad fact that beer festivals have to come to an end in contrast to pubs where there is always tomorrow to sell the beer that you didn't sell today.

There are two good reasons that I can think of why it can be poor practice to hold back beers until the last session. The first is that, particularly at small events where only one or two casks of a particular brew are ordered sealing up a part used cask tends to do the beer no good at all; it tends to warm up more quickly than a full cask and it also tends to lose its condition.

Secondly, I have worked at a number of festivals where the last night attendance has been particularly disappointing. I understand that West Middlesex's Acton Festival last year was just such an event, although I didn't work at that one either. Under these circumstances, if you are going to be left with unsold beer it is better from the organiser's point of view that you are left with a few full casks which can be returned as they are often on sale or return than a lot of half empty ones which is so much waste liquid - this improves the chances of being able to run another festival next year.

Yes, it is always unfortunate when customers cannot get all of the services advertised right up to the end of a festival but that is just a fact of life - a beer festival can never be the same

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BRUCE'S BREWERY

'I spectre Firkin ghoul pint when I ghost to the
Phantom & Firkin'

'For Flocks Sake Wool Ewe Baa Me Another Firkin Pint'



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to be two lesser known "FIRKINS"
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every bit as good as the original!

So why not get yourself along to **THE PHANTOM**
in Plaistow or **THE FLOCK** in Dalston where the food
is great, the music is free, the beer is excellent
and where, as far as we know, not a single member
of Royalty has ever been **BARRED!**
(You can even bring your corgi).

MORE NEWS FROM YOUNGS

Following our news on new Youngs pubs last month we can now report that the COOPERS ARMS in Flood Street, Chelsea, SW3 transferred from Watney control on Thursday 28th June. We are informed that by the time you read this the BEDFORD PARK HOTEL in Streatham High Road will also have been changed from Watney to Youngs, the transfer date being Monday 9th July.

On the subject of guest beers a CAMRA committee member from Hounslow, which is totally devoid of Young's beers, has been chatting up local tenants to see if any would be interested in taking Young's products as guest beers. One landlord he spoke to reported that Youngs had been his first choice but the brewery seemed to show no interest in dealing with individual pubs. A promise to telephone back to the landlord was never followed up so he is going elsewhere for his guest beer. This seems to back up the statement from John Young made in their house organ, Ram News that Youngs were looking forward to entering trading agreements with more big breweries - something which (at the risk of repeating ourselves ad nauseam) never required a change in the law.

WADDINGTON HINTS AT REFORM OF LICENSING

Almost 18 years after the Erroll Committee reported on the liquor laws in England and Wales it looks as though the Government is thinking seriously of a wide-ranging review of Britain's licensing laws.

It was to the Erroll Committee that the Campaign - then known as the Campaign for the Revitalisation of Ale - made one of its first submissions. Since the report was published in December 1972 it has just gathered dust.

But at a recent meeting of the British Institute of Innkeeping, Home Secretary David Waddington indicated that "when time was found" matters relating to current licensing laws would be debated.

How near such a review is remains a mystery but, as the recent controversy in Birmingham over decisions by justices not to grant new licenses has shown, the sooner the review takes place the better.

The whole question of how easy or difficult it

should be to obtain a licence is in urgent need of re-examination, as is the admission of children to pubs.

WOMEN STAND SHOULDER TO SHOULDER AT THE BAR

After decades of feeling excluded from the male-dominated culture of the local public house, women are beginning to claim their place at the bar, according to a Gallup poll published recently.

Three women in five say they can now walk into a bar unescorted without attracting unwanted attention.

But despite the more relaxed attitudes nationally, as many as one in eight women in Yorkshire and Lancashire believes that any woman who walks into a bar without a male companion is "asking for trouble".

The poll, conducted among more than 400 licensees and 855 women customers, finds that publicans have helped to make women feel at ease. Almost all said that they would intervene if a woman was bothered by male drinkers.

More than half said they would ask the woman if she was all right while 45 per cent said they would "keep an eye" on the situation and act if the woman seemed intimidated.

One fifth of the publicans said women customers matched men drink for drink. The survey, conducted for Eisberg alcohol-free wine, found that full-strength lager and beer were the most popular drinks among women.

BACK NUMBERS To date 126 editions of London Drinker have been issued, back numbers of the following are available:

1979: April, May, September, December.

1980: Feb, March (1 copy only), April, Sept, Nov.

1981: April (1 copy only), June, July, Aug, Oct.

1982: Feb (1 copy only), May, July, Sept.

1983: Mar (1 copy only), June - Dec inc.

1984: March - Dec incl.

1985 to 1990: All issues.

If you need any of the above for your collection, they are available at 50 pence each, post free from:

Stan Tompkins, 122 Manor Way, Uxbridge, Middlesex.

FULLERS NEWS

On the 10th July, Fullers announced the intended purchase from Ind Coope of 44 pubs (all tenancies) for £9m. The majority of the pubs are in the Bucks/Oxon area and will come as very good news to all Fullers fans and even better news to the drinkers in these localities where Allied Breweries have had a virtual monopoly for the last two decades.

The deal has yet to be finalised, but they should be appearing in the Fuller's livery during September. This means that there will now be around 200 Fullers houses and at a stroke they have increased their tied estate by nearly 25%. This is also the first time that they have purchased a "package deal" of pubs and it must be seen to follow a continuing trend. At the same time, Allied struck a deal with Gales

(42 pubs) and Shepherd Neame (38 pubs). Not all that long ago over 80 pubs were sold to Greene King from the same source. A full list of all the new Fuller's pubs will appear in next month's London Drinker.

On a sadder note, Carol Tippen (formerly Hickey), a good friend of CAMRA at Fuller's, has moved on to pastures new after several years as the Fullers Public Relations Officer. For some time she conducted the Brewery trips and was known for her speed at whizzing through the technical bits and getting everyone into the Hock Cellar (hospitality bar) for the "really important" bit of a Brewery Visit! She was a frequent guest at many CAMRA functions and was adept at laying on a few surprises for us. We wish her well in her new job.

Bernie Peal



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BLOCK PUBS FOR BREWERY MERGER SAYS CAMPAIGN

CAMRA told the Monopolies and Mergers Commission last month that the proposed pubs-for-breweries deal between Grand Metropolitan and Elders should be blocked.

CAMRA argued that proposals made by the two groups looked good on paper, but might not materialise.

For example, having created a large pub-owning company and a single brewer, it was proposed to reduce the tie between the companies in stages. This was better than the original proposals, which amounted to an absolute tie, but still worse than the existing situation.

The "reducing tie" was a palliative for a problem which would not arise if the merger was prohibited, the Campaign argued. CAMRA was also sceptical about the freeing of pubs proposed in the Government Orders taking place.

The Commission should be cautious in assuming that market conditions had changed since they

blocked the Elders bid for S&N in 1989, the Campaign added.

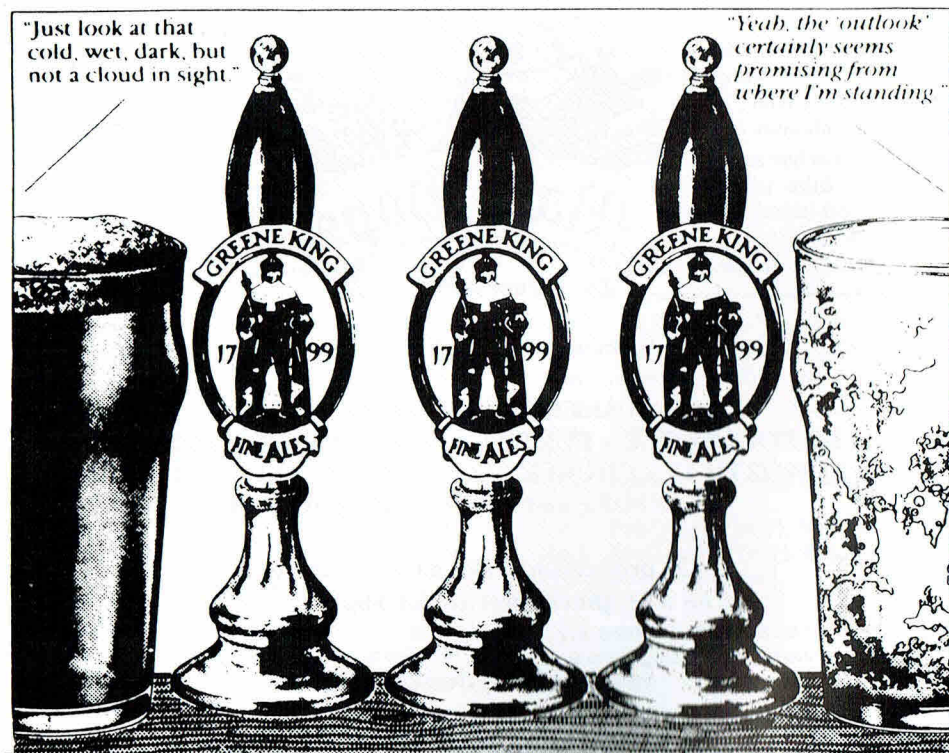
The Commission will report towards the end of August. The final decision rests with the Secretary of State for Trade. It is thought that the Commission's decision could go either way.

NEW POPE ALE IN HARDY'S YEAR

In the year that celebrates the 150th anniversary of Thomas Hardy's birth, Eldridge Pope has brought out a bitter to replace IPA, known as Thomas Hardy Country Bitter.

At the beginning of the year the brewery relaxed its policy on cask breathers and allowed selected pubs to serve real beer as well as offering guest beers. Recent guest beers have been Everard's Tiger, Palmer's IPA and St Austell Tinner.

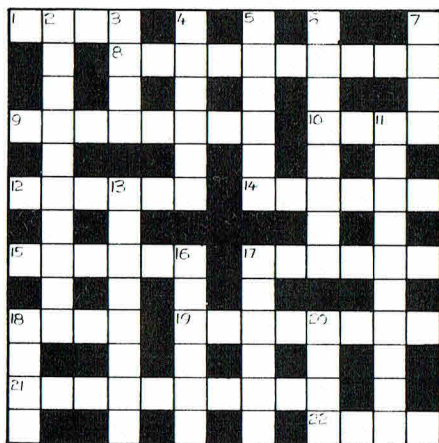
Coming soon are King & Barnes Sussex Bitter and Brains SA. The beers are changed monthly.



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The winner of the prize will be announced in the October 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



ACROSS

1. Demonstrate how to follow skinhead. [4]
8. Players make cart horses bolt. [10]
9. Do they follow after deer? [4,4]
10. desire to be a heart surgeon? [4]
12. Round table man shows disappointment in success. [6]
14. Member devoured representative. [6]
15. Halt alien mine. [6]
17. Make point in boxing. [6]
18. Grand National required little flier. [4]
19. Does he send out old ale? [8]
21. Cobbler's drinking time? [4,6]
22. Throw in Arthur Lowe. [4]

DOWN

2. Waiting? Fiddling; he's at it, Number One. [10]
3. Promise William's first or Edward's last. [4]
4. You may be seen behind it. [6]
5. Disturbed lament? [6]
6. Fight highway regulation about horse. [8]
7. It may be found in drink. [4]
11. Become lawyer and get drink. [2,2,3,3]
13. Disarm a friend who's out of place. [8]
16. He is taken in by conservative idea. [6]
17. Picked for England in the covers. [6]
18. A prisoner returned for fête. [4]
20. Plant race. [4]

Winner of the prize for the June crossword:
369 Ass. Sgt. W. Priestley, Ward 5/10,
The Royal Hospital, Royal Hospital Road,
Chelsea, London SW3 4SR

Other correct entries were received from:
Mrs D.M. Amy, I.W. Ardon, Blenheim,
John Bonser, N. Canton, Brendan Casey,
The Cellarman, A.P. Comaish, Grant Cook,
Andy Darnborough, Harry Davies, Robert Day,
John Edwards, Ian Fairweather, Count Famine,
B.H. Fletcher, Elaine Glover, Eileen Graves,
Alison Henley, Odd John (Colchester),
Mike Jolly, Phil Kempton, D.A. King & Queen,
Mrs G.M. Lines, Maisie the Cat, M.J. Moran,
Steve Mott, Rab Noolas, D. Oddie,
Steve Piggott, Rod Prince, Bill Sealey,
Anthony Strangeways, Jay Tamsitt,
P. & G. Tuhey, David Tyrrell, Martin Weedon,
Tony Whitford, Chris Whithouse, Yak.



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.

CAMRA members have been enjoying Nicholson's and its select group of 34 traditional beers for years. They've been savouring the line up of at least five real ales in each pub, which includes the likes of Wadworth 6X, Adnams, Youngs and Burton Ale. Many of the pubs feature in the Good Beer Guide.

And they've been enjoying the pubs themselves. Each with its own character and quality traditional feel. In fact, Nicholson's pubs have won more CAMRA Design Awards than any other brewer or pub company.

CAMRA has the knack of latching on to a good thing. Find out for yourself by dropping in to your nearest Nicholson's pub - and see for yourself what they are on about.

A Selection of Nicholson's houses:

The Blackfriar	174 Queen Victoria Street
Bloomsbury Tavern	236 Shaftesbury Ave
The Butlers Head	11 Telegraph Street
The Crown	51 New Oxford Street
The Globe	37 Bow Street
Kingsway Tavern	43 Clerkenwell Green
Old Bell Tavern	95 Fleet Street
Punch Tavern	99 Fleet Street
The Red Lion	8 Lombard Court
The Ship	11 Talbot Court
Ship & Compass	18 London Street
Viaduct Tavern	126 Newgate Street
Williamsons Tavern	Groveland Court
Doggetts Coat & Badge	1 Blackfriars Bridge
Golden Lion	25 King St, St James's
The Horniman at Hay's	Hay's Galleria, Tooley Street
Red Lion	2 Duke of York St., Jermyn St.
The Southwark Tavern	22 Southwark Street, London
The Unicorn	32a Duke Street, St James's

IDLE MOMENTS

Well, here I am again sat in front of my cheapo word processor trying desperately to think of some witty aphorism to kick off this month's collection of information rejected as useful by the real world. You know the sort of thing - like the intriguing graffiti that one used to find in the gents at the old Tudor Close in Richmond. Remember it? It's now a Sam Smith's pub called the Rose of York (Natch!) but in those days it was one of the best free houses in London. probably the best remembered went along the lines of, "A man without a woman is like a fish without a bicycle."

Well that's probably the most inconsequential start that this column has had in a while, so on with the real rubbish. First we have the answers to last month's number puzzles starting with the one that had been annoying Mr Hurren of Islington for eight years.

1. 5 Digits in a Zip Code
2. 1492 Columbus Sailed the Ocean Blue
3. 3 Wheels on a Motor Bike and Sidecar
4. 50 Metres is the Length of an International Swimming Pool
5. 2 Bottles in a Magnum
6. 6 Firkins in a Hogshead
7. 1100 Opening Time (not Sundays)
8. 5 Channels on British Satellite Broadcasting
9. 1440 Minutes in a Day
10. 25 (Ordinal) December is Christmas Day

Was it worth the wait, Mr Hurren? And now for a few more. You know, it gets harder each month to think up some new ones; I shall have to start pinching them from that chap on the radio.

1. 6 G (K of E)
2. 1548 K is the F of CG
3. 256 CPS is MC
4. 8 S on a M
5. 15 (Ordinal) M is the I of M
6. 1066 B of H
7. 4 S in the OC
8. 1000 F in a NM
9. 6 C in a G of TP
10. 1957 L of SO

Last month somebody calling "himself" Thin Dan Pin told us that NERD'S BARLEY WATER

is an anagram of (and now it can be revealed) WATNEY'S RED BARREL. By the way Dan, I've broken your pseudonym and can reveal to the world at large that you are in reality a woman, DINAH N. PINT. Anyway (I use that word far too often; I must find another way of linking unreal matters) here are last month's brewery anagram solutions:

1. RAY LED DARLEY
2. DEEP OLDE PRIG ELDRIDGE POPE
3. COD TOLL LOBBY TOLLY COBBOLD
4. TON DONG INN DONNINGTON
5. HINT TO WRONG WORTHINGTON

And here are this month's:

1. WING DOOR
2. RUNG EYES
3. USE TAIL SLANT
4. A SHALLOW DUNE HOOD
5. SET BREWS

I have recently been compiling the odd hundred or so trivia questions for a quiz I've been told I have to run for my firm's social club. Take this as a warning - if you do too well at something (Okay so my team won) they stop you winning next time by making you organise the next one. I was thinking of introducing a few questions each month when I run out of ideas for the other things but I would like to know if they would be popular. Please write and tell me if that's what you would like.

Meanwhile just for your edification here are a few more False Negatives:

PATCH: (v) To gather in or collect. [opp. dispatch]

TAFF: (adj) Referring to the male side of a family [opp. distaff]

NOUNCE: (v) To endorse [opp. denounce]

TERCITY: (adj) Operating within one conurbation, a local service (relating to railways etc.) [opp. Intercity]

EXTRIGUING: (adj) Not very interesting at all. [opp. Intriguing]

TRAUGHT: (adj) Of calm demeanour. [opp. distraught]

And now, to use the valedictory greeting of Glenda Slagg, Bye!

Andy Pirson

BRANCH DIARY

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

CROYDON & SUTTON: Thu 9 (8.00) Social. PRINCE OF DENMARK, 152 Portland Road, South Norwood (Outside if fine, otherwise in back bar) - Thu 16 (8.00) Social. RAILWAY, 47 North Street, Carshalton - Tue 21 (8.00) Social. DOG & BULL, Surrey Street, Croydon - Wed 29 (8.00) Branch Meeting. RAILWAY TELEGRAPH (Small Bar), 19 Brigstock Road, Thornton Heath - Thu 6 Sept (8.00) Social. LORD NELSON, 32 Lower Road, Sutton.

EAST LONDON & CITY: Mon 30 Jul (8.00) Poplar & Stepney Social. GRAPES, Narrow Street, E14 then QUEENS HEAD (9.00), Flamborough Street; FISH & RING (10.00), White Horse Road, E1 - Tue 21 (8.00) Branch Social. WHITE HORSE, White Horse Road, E1 - Wed 29 (5.30) Smithfield Crawl. BLUE POSTS, Cowcross Street then WHITE BEAR (6.15), St. John Street; COCK TAVERN (7.00), Central Market; BISHOPS FINGER, (7.45), West Smithfield; RISING SUN (8.30), Cloth Fair; HAND & SHEARS (9.15), Middle Street - Tue 4 Sept (6.00) THEATRE ROYAL BAR then GREYHOUND (8.00), West Ham Lane; PRINCESS OF WALES (9.00), West Ham Lane.

ENFIELD & BARNET: Sun 5 (12.00) Lunchtime Garden Social. BEEHIVE, Little Bury Street, N9 - Sat 11 (11.00) Lunchtime Social at the Great British Beer Festival, The Metropole, Brighton - Wed 15 (8.30) Branch Meeting. BULL & BUTCHER, 1277 High Road, N20 - Wed 22 (8.30) Annual Barbecue. GREEN DRAGON, 889 Green Lanes, N21 - Sat 25 (11.00) TRAMDAY. Meet at ORANGE TREE, Richmond for Travelcard Real Ale Manoeuvre Day on the North London Line and Gospel Oak/Barking Line. Details elsewhere in this issue - Thu 30 (9.00) Social. CAVALIER, 67 Russell Lane, N20 - Thu 4 Sept (9.00) Two Pub Social in Barnet. KINGS HEAD, 84 High Street then ALBION (10.00), 74 Union Street.

KINGSTON & LEATHERHEAD: Wed 15 (8.30) Branch meeting. ALMA, Weston Green - Sat 1 Sept (11.00) Surrey Liaison Meeting. Railway Club, Woking (Provisional) - Sun 2 Sept (7.00) Social. VICTORIA, Victoria Road, Surbiton.

NORTH LONDON: Sunday Lunchtime Socials for August, ANCHOR & HOPE, E5 - Tue 7 (8.00) Two Pub Social. CAMDEN HEAD, NW3 then PINT POT - Tue 18 (8.00) Two Pub Social. EDINBURGH CASTLE, NW1 then SPREAD EAGLE - Tue 21 (8.00) Two Pub Social. SWISS CHALET, N10 then ROYAL OAK, St. James Street - Tue 28 (8.00) Two Pub Social. PAKENHAM ARMS, WC1 then CALTHORPE ARMS - Tue 4 Sept (8.00) Social (& London Drinker distribution). J.J. Moons, N19 - Sunday Lunchtime Socials for September. NARROW BOAT, N1.

RICHMOND & HOUNSLOW: Thu 2 (8.30) Committee Meeting. ROYAL OAK, 128 Worton Road, Isleworth - Mon 20 (8.30) Branch Meeting. QUEEN DOWAGER, 49 North Lane, Teddington - Thu 30 (8.30) Social. FOX & GOOSE, 327 Petersham Road, Ham.

SOUTH EAST LONDON: Thu 2 (8.00) Social. DULWICH WOOD HOUSE, 39 Sydenham Hill, SE26 - Mon 6 (8.00) Open Committee Meeting. ANCHOR TAP, 28 Horselydown Lane, SE1 - Mon 13 (8.00) STATION TAVERN, 18 John Ruskin Street, SE5 - Thu (8.00) Social. CRYSTAL PALACE TAVERN, 193 Crystal Palace Road, SE22.

SOUTH WEST ESSEX: Thu 2 (8.30) Abridge Pub Crawl. MALSTERS ARMS, London Road (A113) and WHITE HART, Market Place (A113). Choose the order! The other pub is the Blue Boar in the Market Place but it is a Whi***** managed house and will be treated accordingly - Tue 7 (8.00) Moulsham Street (Chelmsford) Pub Crawl. Too many pubs to programme; those interested please ring Branch Contact for suggestions - Wed 15 (8.30) Branch Meeting. BALD HIND, Hainault Road (A123 - Jet B173), Chigwell - Wed 22 (8.00) Quiz Night against BRICKLAYERS ARMS, Bridge Road (near A126) Grays - Tue 28 (8.30) Social. RABBITS, Stapleford Road (B175), Stapleford Abbots - Wed to Sat 5-8 Sept (11.00 - 4.00 & 5.00 - 11.00) 4th CHAPPEL BEER FESTIVAL, East Anglian Railway Museum, Chappel & Wakes Colne Station (just off A604, near the viaduct). Entrance charge £1.00 per day.

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ODD-BALL BREWERY THAT REJECTED KEG

Youngs, the South London independent brewers famous for their dray horses and their self-confessed eccentric chairman, were in the business of promoting real ale long before CAMRA was thought of.

John Young, former Fleet Air Arm pilot and shipping company director, took over as chairman from his father in 1962 and embarked on a policy that brought derision from his counterparts at other breweries.

He decided against following the trend towards keg beer and instead positively promoted real ale. He even brought out a list of Young's pubs - thought to have been the first of its kind in Britain - and called it "Real Draught Beer and Where to Find It".

FAITH

One of John Young's colleagues at the Brewers' Society was one day telling him just how foolish was his stand against keg beer when a hearse went past. "Look," said the big brewery boss, "there's another of your customers".

But Youngs had great faith in their real ale policy, which attracted a huge and loyal following in and around London. When the tide finally turned against keg in the early 1970s, Youngs already had what other breweries were going to have to revert to - high quality traditional beers, served on hand-pump in every one of their tied houses.

Such was demand in the 1970s that Youngs invested £6 million in building a new brewhouse alongside the old brewery that had been in use since the reign of William IV. The new building, which was completed in 1984, increased brewing

capacity and replaced some equipment that was beyond repair.

The two brewhouses are now operating side by side to produce Young's draught Bitter (OG 1036°), Special (1046°) and Winter Warmer (1055°), as well as a range of bottled beers that includes Old Nick barley wine (1084°) and Strong Export Bitter (1062°), which was judged best bottled beer in Britain at the 1990 British Bottlers' Institute ale and lager competition.

BOOST

Nearly 20 years after CAMRA's first influences on the brewery industry, Youngs are now experiencing another boost to trade with the new guest beer regulations.

Even before the MMC's recommendations were put into law, Youngs had signed a reciprocal deal with Allied Breweries that saw Young's Bitter and Special in more than 150 Taylor Walker and Benskins managed houses. Now, with tenants joining in, Young's real ales are available in well over 200 Allied pubs in the Home Counties.

Youngs have also reached agreement with Charrington to distribute to their tenants from four depots in the south-east of England, and similar arrangements are being discussed with other breweries.

Young's campaign to woo the major brewers' tenants was launched at the Pub Club and Leisure Show in London in April. The brewery's stand was decorated with posters showing John Young dressed as Lord Kitchener and advising publicans: "Your customers need Young's beers."

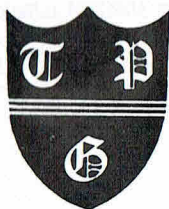
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WEST LONDON: Thu 16 (8.00) Branch Meeting. **HARCOURT ARMS**, Harcourt Street, W1 - Wed 22 (8.00) Mayfair meander. **ROSE & CROWN**, 2 Old Park Lane, W1; **SHEPHERDS TAVERN** (8.45), Hertford Street; **CHESTERFIELDS** (9.30), 7 Shepherd Street; **KINGS ARMS** (10.15), 2 Shepherd Market.

WEST MIDDLESEX: Wed 15 (8.30) Branch Meeting. **KINGS HEAD**, 214 High Street, Acton, W3. All new members especially welcome; come and receive a free pint on the branch! - Sun 19 (12.00 - 5.00) Real Ale Tent at **EALING COUNTRY FIELD DAY**, Horsenden Hill, Perivale - Fri 24 (8.00) Harrow Hike. Start **TIMBER CARRIAGE**, 15 Northolt Road, Roxeth - Thu 30 (8.30) Social. **BRIDGE HOTEL**, Western Avenue, Greenford (Young's first hotel conversion, recently reopened).

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Saturday August 25th 1990**

(South West London Beer Guide Area)

11.00 RICHMOND ORANGE TREE (YOUNGS) Leaving 11.40 and cross back to Station opposite (Kew Road) Leaving at 11.43 arr:

11.46 KEW GARDENS on platform is PIG AND PARROT (INN LEISURE) take the 12.26 arr:

(North London Beer Guide Area)

12.45 WEST HAMPSTEAD leave station and turn LEFT along WEST END LANE approx 5 mins walk to OLD BLACK LION 325 West End Lane. (COURAGE) Leave at 13.15 for 13.25 arr:

13.30 HAMPSTEAD HEATH out and RIGHT into SOUTH HILL and MAGDALA TAVERN (BASS CHARINGTON) Leaving at 14.08 for 14.10 arr:

14.11 GOSPEL OAK change for Barking train at 14.15 arr:

(Essex Beer Guide Area)

14.49 BARKING exit and LEFT and LEFT again into WAKERING ROAD continue to bridge bear RIGHT and follow CHURCH ROAD around to RIGHT approx 100 yards is BRITANNIA (YOUNGS) leave at 15.20 for 15.30 train arr:

(East London and City Beer Guide Area)

15.36 WANSTEAD PARK exit cross WOODGRANGE ROAD and enter STRACEY ROAD continue to crossroads and LEFT into STATION ROAD approx 50 yards on LEFT is EARL OF DERBY (COURAGE) allow about 20 mins then exit and left continue to end then LEFT and RIGHT into KUHN WALK at end turn LEFT into FOREST LANE forward to junction the RAILWAY TAVERN (IND COOPE) or FOX AND HOUNDS (WATNEY) are immediately on your LEFT. Leave at 13.30 and LEFT along WOODGRANGE ROAD 150 yards on RIGHT is WANSTEAD PARK station for 16.36 arr:

16.40 LEYTONSTONE HIGH ROAD leave and RIGHT along HIGH ROAD LEYTONSTONE approx 200 yards on LEFT is BELL (BASS CHARRINGTON) Leave at 17.05 and retrace steps to station for 17.10 arr:

(North London Beer Guide Area)

17.28 CROUCHHILL out and cross over to MARLERS BAR (BRENT WALKER) opposite station leave at 17.56 for 17.58 arr:

18.05 GOSPEL OAK change for N. WOOLWICH service at 18.11 arr:

18.13 KENTISH TOWN WEST exit and cross PRINCE OF WALES ROAD, LEFT and immediate RIGHT into HADLEY STREET; at junction with CASTLE ROAD for FUZZOCK & FIRKIN (MIDSUMMER) Leave at 18.48 for 18.53 arr:

19.22 CUSTOM HOUSE exit and LEFT along VICTORIA DOCK ROAD approx 500 yards and footbridge over railway crossover into TIDAL BASIN ROAD and LEFT 50 yards on RIGHT is TIDAL BASIN TAVERN (FULLER) Leaving at 20.05 for 20.21 arr:

(North London Beer Guide Area)

20.44 Highbury & Islington exit and RIGHT crossing Highbury Station Road and Upper Street then RIGHT into Cannonbury Road and Compton Avenue 100 yards on LEFT is Compton Arms (Greene King) leaving at 21.35 for 21.44 arr:

21.46 CALEDONIAN ROAD & BARNSBURY exit and LEFT into CALEDONIAN ROAD and LEFT into OFFORD ROAD and second LEFT into Roman Way and Railway Tavern (Fuller) is 50 yds on RIGHT

Last Train at 22.58

Laurence Fryer

HISTORICRAWL, Chichester, W. Sussex

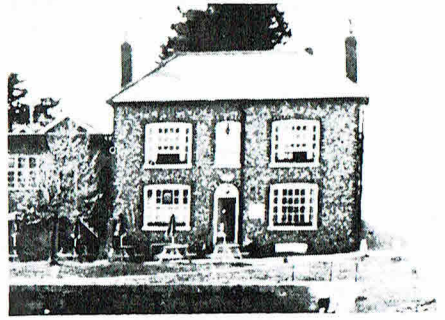
Note: Not all pubs on this crawl are open all day; where indications are lacking, it is safest to assume 11-2.30, 6-11, Sundays normal.

For some years I have been planning this crawl, and spending the last festive season nearby provided not only the opportunity - by virtue of two day visits - but the inspiration to put pen to paper. My lightning tours of the area revealed the recent closure of three pubs, plus a number of other major changes which are incorporated below.

The modern name of **Chichester** derives from a version of "*Cissa Ceastir*" - Cissa's fortified place. Cissa received the town from his father Aella, a chieftan from North Germany who arrived locally in about AD457, 47 years after the Roman withdrawal. This was the Roman city of *NOVIOMAGVS* (the New Market) at the seaward end of **Stane Street**, running from London Bridge in a series of now-disjointed straight lines, still for the most part in use as sections of the A24, A29 and A285. The configuration of the City's roads, as well as its walls, are largely as they were set out around AD53, only a decade after the first Roman settlement hereabouts, just after Claudius' invasion. The local tribe, the *Atrebates* were friendly, and *COGIDUBNUS* their chief assisted the young General Vespasian in his campaigning westwards with the II Legion. A military base was established at Fishbourn, 1½ miles to the west - but military use of the area only lasted for about two years. At that time the Romans established a small local kingdom for the *Atrebates*, called *REGNUM*. In AD70 Vespasian, now Emperor, appointed Cogidubnus as client king (equivalent to Herod at the time of the Nativity), and he not only became a Roman citizen - adopting the names Claudius Tiberius to go with his own - but had a palace built at Fishbourne, whose substantial remains (open daily March-November) are regarded as among the best ever uncovered in Britain.

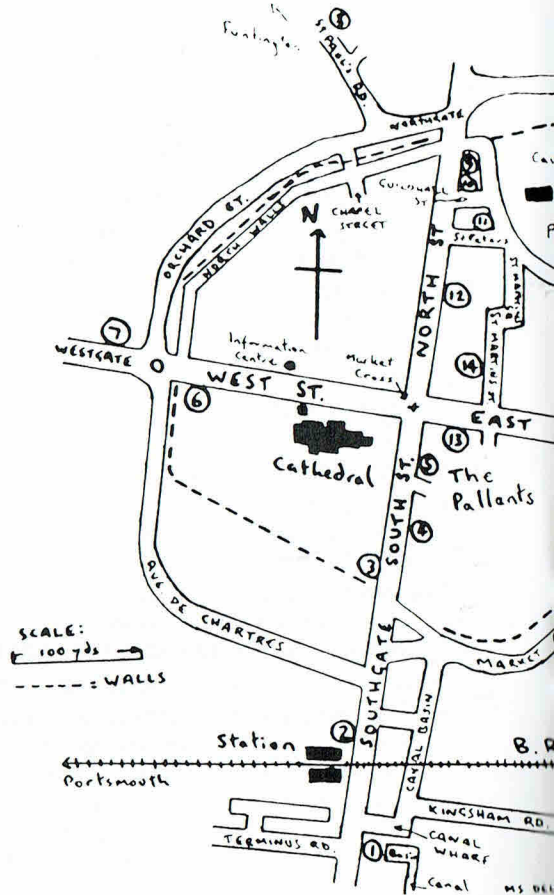
We begin at Chichester Station, first reached from London via Brighton in 1846; nowadays the journey takes about 1½ hours on the most direct route, via Horsham connected in 1864.

A few yards south of the "down" side of the station is the Richmond Arms (1), Friary Meux and Ind Coope Burton Ale. It is open all



The Richmond Arms from the Canal Basin

permitted hours (11-11, 12-3; 7.00 to 10.30 Sunday) and can profitably be left for later, but visit it during daylight and have a look at the Canal Basin on to which it backs. The Chichester



Canal connected with the Portsmouth & Arundel Joint Canal, opened in 1823 but now all but untraceable. It once found part of a direct inland waterway route from London to Portsmouth, which also pushed through the rivers Thames, Wey & Arun, the Wey & Arun Canal (now largely derelict but partly restored) and Chichester and Langstone Harbours. Just across the road is Terminus Road, indicating the northern end of the Hundred of Manhood and Selsey Tramway - in fact a railway - which from 1897 until it went bankrupt in 1935 ran for 7½ miles from Chichester to Selsey. Services were prone to delay due to such minor inconveniences as cows - and the sea - on the line, and competition from buses eventually put paid to its short existence. Go over the level crossing to the Globe Hotel (2), open 11-

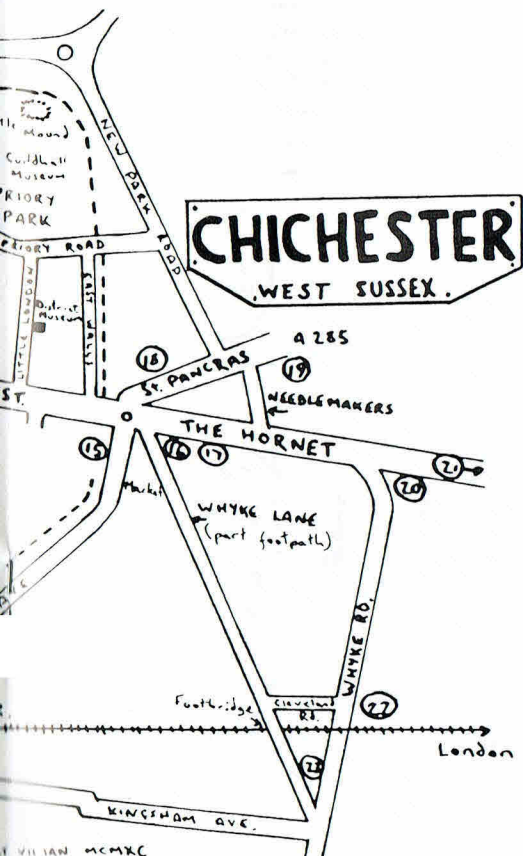
3, 6-11 (11-11 Sat) and serving the beers as above. Walk up Southgate to the Cathedral Tavern (3) adjacent to the site of the former Gate of that name which, along with its counterparts at the other cardinal points of the compass, was demolished in 1783. This pub also serves the beers already mentioned (we are in for a change soon - *honest!*) and until about 4 years ago was known as the Fountain. In her childhood it was the home of the mother of futuristic writer "Wall Walk" a sign for which you will have seen just prior to reaching this pub. For the most part Chichester's City Walls still stand at the height they were during Mediaeval times - when they were essential defence works. Little demolition was done to them, unlike those of London. At the points where there is public access along the top of the ramparts - the northern half - there are excellent views of the City from unusual angles.

Proceeding up South Street, we next encounter the King's Head (4) on the right, with Tetley, Friary and Burton - open from 10.30, with all permitted hours. This was Chichester's first "Bus Station" - in 1880 six local carriers used it as their terminus, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays to coincide with the markets, which have existed by charter since 1135. This 18th century building is the latest in succession on a site occupied since before 1400, having been acquired by the Dean & Chapter of the Cathedral in the 13th century. Known as the *King's Head Inn* from 1740, the last word became "*Alehouse*" in 1770; a discussion about the distinction is irrelevant here. Next we come to the White House (5). For a change it offers Flowers Original, Marston's Pedigree and Strong Country Bitter. Open all hours, it is a timber-framed building dating from 1416, and has pleasing stained glass windows in keeping with its name. In 1859 its annual rent, on a 40 years lease, was £1-13s-3d!

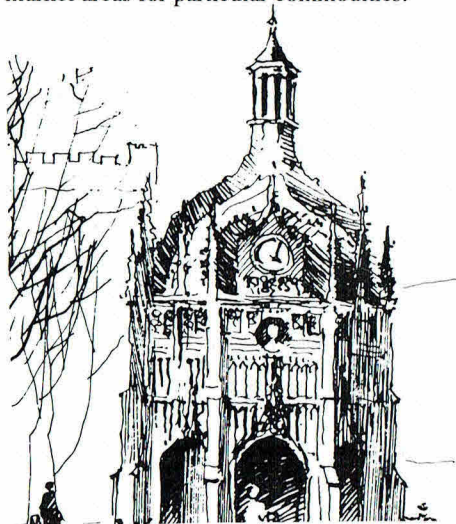
West Pallant, adjacent, leads in to the area known as the Pallants, a name deriving from the latin *Palantia*, indicating the exclusive jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Canterbury, which lasted until 1864. This area is renowned for its architecture, particularly of the 18th Century.

From here we proceed to the very centre of the City, the **Market Cross**. It was constructed in

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1501 as the gift of Bishop Story, as a means of enabling poor people to buy and sell there without let or hindrance - or dues to the city. This remained in force until 1808, when local regulations led to the founding of specific market areas for particular commodities.



The Market Cross

We turn left along West Street. The Dolphin & Anchor is an impressive coaching house; it was the most important in Chichester, and is now the only local pub not to sell real beer. It has as central a location as possible, and is thought to stand on the site of the Roman Forum. Just across the way is Chichester's most prominent building, the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity. A church dedicated to St Peter existed on the site from about the 7th Century. Originally the See (Bishop's seat of administration) was to the South at Selsey, but this suffered badly from the action of the English Channel. In 1075 an edict of Archbishop Lanfranc transferred the See to Chichester, in line with the Norman Conqueror's policy of basing bishoprics in towns and cities. Work began on the present building in 1100, and its conservation (in hardly started - let alone completed - form) took place 8 years later. By 1123 it had reached more or less its present form, despite a disastrous fire in 1114, and another in 1187 - both of which have left their effect to this day. The Diocese of Chichester covers - as it always has done, the old Kingdom of the South Saxons - that is, Sussex, stretching

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from Emsworth in the west to east of Rye, and as far north as Gatwick. The Cathedral is the only one in Britain visible from the sea. However, its 277ft spire is not original; in 1861 its predecessor and the central tower collapsed in upon itself in high winds. It had previously been found to be unsafe, to such an extent that a contractor trying to save it withdrew his labourers, none too soon. The fall was described as sounding no louder than a cartload of stone being tipped as it subsided, causing little other damage. As always, I recommend you buy a guide book, and confine myself to mentioning only one monument - that of William Huyskisson, a local MP for 10 years, who in 1830 became the first victim of a railway incident. Stepping from his stationary train at the opening of the Liverpool to Manchester Railway in order to shake hands with the Duke of Wellington (who had opposed its construction) he failed to realize that, unlike stagecoaches, trains can't go around obstacles, and he was run down by the famous Rocket, succumbing shortly afterwards from his injuries.

The external Campanile (Bell Tower), completed in 1436, is unique for any Mediaeval Cathedral. Just across the road, the Tourist Information Centre will supply any information about the area.



Chichester Cathedral

At the far end of West Street we encounter the Castle (6) Friary, Burton and King & Barnes Sussex Bitter, open all hours. The etched windows - facing outwards from the now single front bar, proclaim "Public Bar" and "Bar Parlour", with a somewhat inaccurate impression of Windsor Castle. There is a back

bar and garden. This pub is reputed to be haunted by Roman soldiers, and well it might be as it is adjacent to the old West Gate, on whose site the former toll house is now the "Indian Cottage Restaurant". Just beyond the roundabout, on the right, the Swan (7) offers Flowers Original and Strong Country, while the windows proclaim "United Ales". With one single bar, it is open all hours (permitted ones, that is, as with every other pub so described). The two last mentioned are the only ones on the west side of the city. A short distance further along Westgate is the former Henty Brewery house, dated 1751. It is now the local Allied offices, with the Friary depot on the brewery site behind. Through a complicated series of mergers and one de-merger, the Henty estate ended up in Allied hands, hence the presence locally of so many of their pubs. The choice of beers and brewers increases immensely after the next two ports of call, which mark the half-way point geographically, though in no other way, of this crawl. We still have 16 pubs to visit, and no less than 15 beers not already mentioned to sample!

Although Westgate was a Roman and later a Turnpike road, you can't follow it very far on wheels as everything has been diverted. Even the level crossing at the head is now pedestrians only! We backtrack from the Swan a little to North Walls, which we follow to Northgate. However if like me you are fond of putting ticks in your Good Beer Guide, you might care for a deviation - through the only arch left in the Walls, on Chapel Street (beware traffic!) then follow the map to the Rainbow (8) on the B2178 Funtington road, selling Tetley's, Friary, Burton, King & Barnes, Sussex and Addlestons Cider. Open all hours, this one bar pub's predominant decor will interest philomenists. There is a children's room and a garden

Make your way through Northgate to the George & Dragon (9), a 2-bar pub with Friary, Burton and K & B Sussex - closes 2.30 pm. A few doors down - where the "different" ales begin - the Ship Hotel (10) offers Gibbs Mew Bishop's Tipple and Burton - at a price. It closes at 2.30, but is worth a visit and a quick half. "Hornblowers" - the bar open to the public - is available for accompanied tame kids, and is most comfortable. Recently

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remodelled very tastefully incorporating the original features, including fine plaster mouldings and main staircase, it gives an excellent, authentic impression of a Georgian town house which, of course, it always was. There is no piped music and, if you disregard fizz, electrical equipment and - of course - prices, the 20th Century barely intrudes. It was originally built around 1790 as a private residence for Admiral Sir George Murray who, in 1801, served under Nelson at the Battle of Copenhagen. Nelson is believed to have stayed here, and a portrait of Lady Hamilton is in evidence. More recently, on the eve of the D-Day landings in France - 6th June 1944 - the most distinguished guest was the Supreme Allied Commander, General Dwight Eisenhower, alias "Ike".



Guildhall Museum

Walk the short distance down adjacent Guildhall Street and you will find yourself at the gate to Priory Park. Straight ahead is the Guildhall Museum. This was originally the Choir of the Church of the Greyfriars Priory. The Franciscans - founded by St Francis of Assisi who brought them to England - were known as the Grey Friars from the colour of their habits, and first settled in this area in 1225. They occupied this site from 1269 until the Dissolution in 1538, when this one surviving small portion - other buildings stood to the north - was retained as the Guildhall and Court of Law. Here in 1804 the poet and artist William Blake (author of "Jerusalem", inter alia) was tried for sedition and acquitted. Falling into disuse, the building was restored in 1933, and is currently undergoing similar work. It is a branch of the Chichester District Museum, which we will visit shortly and is open Tuesday to Saturday afternoons from June to September.

The whole of Priory Park was once occupied by Chichester Castle. Only the motte (mound) on which its keep stood is still to be seen. Nowadays it provides grandstand seating for spectators at cricket matches. What a surprise

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**THEY DON'T SERVE
PINTS OF ORDINARY
IN A FULLER'S PUB.**

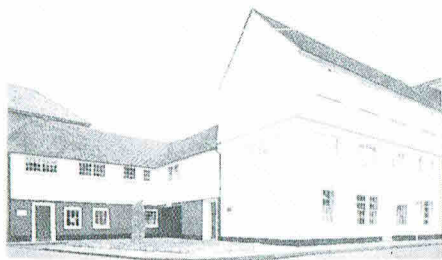
FULLER'S
INDEPENDENT FAMILY BREWERS SINCE 1845

our version of fair play would give to the the Knights who once jousted on the same field! Granted to Roger de Montgomery - a favourite of William I - in 1066, it was the headquarters of the westernmost of the 6 "Rapes" (administrative sub-counties) of Sussex. Each was near the coast, and on a direct road to London. The others were Arundel, Bramber, Lewes, Pevensey and Hastings, of which only the first is still inhabited, though in a highly rebuilt form, substantial ruins of the others remain. In 1193 the threat of siege led to the laying-in at Chichester of supplies of barley, beans and bacon (the alliteration in modern verbiage is fortuitous). In 1216 the castle was captured by the French, only to be re-taken by Henry III's forces and subsequently demolished to prevent re-use in 1217.

Time for another drink, and different brews. The Park Tavern (11) is a Gales House, serving Best, BBB, HSB and Winter Ale in season. A GBG entry, it closes at 2.30 (3 Fri & Sat) re-opening at 5 pm. From here, go along St. Peter's adjacent then left along North Street to the Old Cross (12), serving Ruddles County and Best, and Webster's Yorkshire. Afternoon closing is 2.30 pm

Continue to the Market Cross then turn left into East Street, which until 1871 was the sheep market. The Royal Arms (13) on the right is now the only pub on a street where nearly every building once served that function. Offering the same range as the last pub mentioned, its 18th century exterior conceals a far older building with Tudor panelling. Here in 1591 Queen Elizabeth I was entertained by Lord Lumley. It is known locally as the "Punch House", being famous in the early 19th century for a Milk Punch made on the premises. Queen Victoria sampled and enjoyed it, and in 1840 the then owner, John Hudson, was appointed "Manufacturer of Punch in Ordinary" to Her Majesty. The next left turning - St Martin's Street - leads to the Hole in the Wall (14) with Flower's Original, Marston's Pedigree and a guest beer. Wethered's Winter Royal on my last visit, open all hours. Go back to East Street, turn left then take the next left, Little London. Legend has it that it gained its name from Good Queen Bess, who found it so busy as to remind her of London Town. It had in fact borne the name for a century prior to her time.

District Museum - open Tues-Sat from 10 till 5 (6pm Apr - Sept), it is well worth a visit.



District Museum

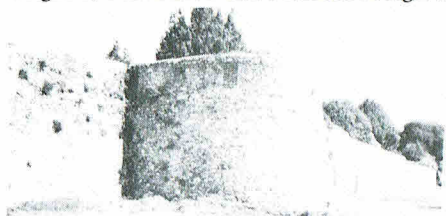
Among the unusual exhibits is the City's mobile stocks. Mounted on a wheeled platform, a towbar allowed them to be hauled around the Market Cross while onlookers pelted occupant with refuse (!) - the last victim was one Henry Mason, for drunk and disorderly conduct, in 1852.

Back on East Street, we find ourselves facing the former Fleece Inn (now a kitchenware shop). The title is a reminder that in the 13th Century Chichester was one of 12 Staple Towns - the only places entitled to export wool. Almost next door the former cinema's impressive palladian frontage - which would not have been out of place here in the 1st century - now leads into McDonalds! How the mighty are fallen.

Continuing down East Street, the junction with East Walls (where you can walk along the ramparts) is the site of the East Gate, which served as the local prison. Here, for the last time in this crawl, we go outside the circuit of the walls and the old City boundary. We turn right at Eastgate Square by the former Cattle Market Tavern (still marked as such - both this and the Fleece only closed recently, this was a Gales house, the other Allied) and come to the Bull Inn (15), Friary only in both bars, opposite the modern-day market place. Return to the Square and take the first right - The Hornet - to the Eastgate (16), Gales BBB, HSB and Winter Ale in season - proudly displaying a certificate proclaiming its appearance in the first 10 Good Beer Guides. Stickers in the window testify to subsequent inclusions. The hours are 11-11, with closure from 2.30 to 7pm Monday to Thursday. Whyke Lane, adjacent, is a short

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cut on foot to pub No. 22, which should not be missed. A few doors down, the Bush (16) offers Burton in two bars. Back to the Square, then go sharp right into St. Pancras, so named from a church dedicated to a 14-year old early martyr (as is the London terminus). A few yards along, the Nag's Head (17) has Flowers Original, Gale's HSB and Marston Pedigree.



Roman City Walls and Bastion

The city walls, now behind us, were until comparatively recently Chichester's main line of defence against the enemy, and last saw strategic use in 1642. During a fierce battle within the walls in 9th Century, the Vikings were severely defeated. According to the Domesday survey of 1086, over 1300 people

lived in 160 dwellings within the walls (60 more houses than prior to the Conquest) and some of the area enclosed was still used for farming. That land had been almost completely covered by buildings in Roman times, as the vast majority is now.

During the Civil War, in November 1642, the Royalists seized the keys to the City, took possession of artillery and supplies, imprisoned Parliamentary sympathisers and prepared for a siege, which was not short in coming in the form of General Sir William Waller - who caused great damage to Arundel Castle - with 6000 troops and 6 cannon. The whole area was very much a Royalist stronghold, and the bust of King Charles I looks down East Street from the Market Cross. After seven days of bombardment which caused a great deal of devastation, the city surrendered. The areas outside the Gates had been razed to leave a clear line of fire, and the St Pancras area never fully recovered, particularly its specialist needle-making industry, which had flourished since the 13th Century. Chichester remained a garrison

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BEER BRIEFING

LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 54

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 four additional Youngs pubs (in W1, SW3, SW16 and Ham) acquired from Grand Met, Allied and the free trade. The last Fullers pubs with the dreaded Porter-Lancastrian system have finally installed handpumps after 16 years of campaigning, leaving only two Fullers pubs without real ale and serving only keg beers. For the record these are the Red Lion at Brentford and the Feathers (managed by Berni Inns) in W5, Ealing. The "guest beer" legislation is finally having an influence and those pubs reported as having genuine guest beers are especially highlighted in the listings below by means of a diamond (◆) symbol. As a result a number of beers new to London are making a welcome appearance. In addition a new beer from Shepherd Neame - Spitfire Ale (OG 1044) and Magnet Ale (OG 1040) from John Smiths have both been sighted. The otherwise encouraging news is tempered by a record number of pub closures.

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 CENTRAL

EC1, VAULTS, 42 Chiswell Street.
Boddington: Bitter. Greene King: Abbot Ale.
Marston: Pedigree. On site of former
CHISWELL STREET VAULTS, closed in 1986,
next to Whitbread Brewery. In basement of
office building and largely rebuilt during
redevelopment. Notably, no Whitbread
labelled beers are sold. Note amended
address.
EC4, TIPPERARY, 66 Fleet Street. Greene
King: IPA, Abbot Ale. Another pub reopened
after 2 years closure while major
redevelopment took place. No jeans policy
enforced, presumably so as not to offend
the city slickers. (E47)
WC2, RUMOURS, 33 Wellington Street. No
real ale. A free house/cocktail bar.

EAST

E6, DUKES HEAD, 593 Barking Road.
Charrington: IPA. Note correct address.
(E97)
E6, ALPINE BAR, Mountain Top Dry Ski
Slope, Alpine Way. No real ale. Bar
attached to ski slope complex, open to
general public.
E6, FERNDALE, 40 Cyprus Place. Charrington:
IPA. Note correct title. (E99)
E6, GOLFER, Beckton Golf Range, East Ham
Manor Way. No real ale. Free House
attached to golf driving range and
Beckton FC football ground. Open to
general public.

NORTH

N15, MANIONS PRINCE ARTHUR, 158 Broad
Lane. No real ale. Formerly **PRINCE ARTHUR**,
reopened as Whitbread, ex Truman.
(N89, U33)

SOUTH EAST

SE1 FLOWERS OF THE FOREST, 14
Westminster Bridge Road. Courage: Best
Bitter, Directors Bitter. John Smith:
Yorkshire Bitter. Formerly **OXFORD ARMS**.
(SE35)
SE5, DUKE OF CLARENCE, 181 Camberwell
Road. Charrington: IPA (SE56)
SE8, McMILLANS, 74 McMillan Street. No
real ale. Formerly **REMY'S**. Reopened
Belhaven pub, still fizz. (SE72)
SE10, GEORGE & DRAGON, 2 Blackheath Hill.
Young: Special. A Taylor Walker pub.
(SE83)
SE15, BARNABY, 224 Ilderton Road. Courage:
Best Bitter. John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter.
(SE117)
SE16, NEPTUNE, 17 Rupack Street. Young:
Bitter. A Taylor Walker pub. (SE131)
SE16, STANLEY ARMS, 418 Southwark Park
Road. Flowers: Original Bitter. Whitbread:
Best Bitter. (SE133)
SE16, SURREY DOCKS TAVERN, 1 Redriff Road.
Courage: Best Bitter. Formerly **FITCHETTS**.
(SE129)
SE17 LIAM OG'S TAVERN, 374 Walworth Road.
Ruddle: County. Webster: Yorkshire Bitter.
Formerly **ROCK**, a Truman pub now possibly
"Free"? (SE139)
SE17, MASONS ARMS, 109 East Street.
Young: Special. A Taylor Walker pub.
(SE139)

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SE17, PRINCE & PRINCESS OF WALES, 109 Kingslake Street. Flowers: Original Bitter. (SE139)

SE17, VICTORY, 32 Barlow Street. Courage: Best Bitter. John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (SE140)

SOUTH WEST

SW2, GEORGE IV, 144 Brixton Hill. Courage: Best Bitter, Directors Bitter. (SW19)

SW2, PRINCE OF WALES, 169 Lyham Road. Charrington: IPA. (SW19)

SW2, WINDMILL, 22 Blenheim Gardens. Courage: Best Bitter. John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. Note correct address. (SW19)

SW4, ALEXANDRA, 14 Clapham Common South Side. Courage: Directors Bitter. John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (SW24)

SW8, PHOENIX, 104 Dorset Road.

Charrington: IPA. Reasonable prices. (SW34)

SW15, DRUMMONDS, 202 Upper Richmond Road. No real ale. Reopened. (SW47, U29, U53)

SW18, FREEWAYS, 134 Wandsworth High Street. No real ale. Reopened as night club, free entry Tue & Thu evenings and free membership. (SW51, U46)

SW18, SPENCERS, 262 Merton Road. No real ale. Reopened. (SW54, U37, U46)

WEST

W13, SPINNING WHEEL, 227 Northfield Ave. No real ale. Now a pub, formerly an Irish club.

SOUTHALL, NORTHCOTE ARMS, Northcote Ave. Fuller: London Pride. Ex Fullers pub reopened as Free House. Real ale not always available. (W142)

UXBRIDGE (COWLEY), PADDINGTON PACKET BOAT, High Road, Cowley Peachey. Fuller: London Pride, ESB. A long awaited conversion from the once commonplace Porter-Lancastrian top pressure system for this Fullers pub. (W154)

PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE CENTRAL

EC1, CROWN & WOOLPACK. Courage, closed, future uncertain. (E16)

W1 (S), GLASSHOUSE. Taylor Walker, closed, future uncertain. (W42)

W1 (S), GOLDEN LION. Younger, H unused. (W42)

W1 (S), STORE. Watney, closed, converted to Korean Restaurant. (W44)

WC1, FRIEND AT HAND TAVERN. Watney, closed, future uncertain. (N16, W46)

EAST

E1, ROOSTERS. Watney (fizz), closed, future uncertain. (E66)

E2, GEORGE & DRAGON. Brent Walker (fizz), closed, future uncertain. (E72)

E2, LIMES. Free House (fizz), closed, future uncertain. (E73)

E3, BIRD IN HAND. Truman, closed, for demolition. (E81)

E9, RETREAT. Whitbread (fizz), closed, future uncertain. Formerly RISING SUN. (E115)

NORTH

N1, ROTHERFIELD ARMS. Courage (fizz), converted to flats. (N41, U39)

SOUTH EAST

SE1, FLOWERS OF THE FOREST, 123

Blackfriars Road. Courage, closed and boarded up, future uncertain. (SE22)

SE1, GIN PALACE (OLD KENT ROAD). Free House, H unused. (SE23)

SE1, HERCULES TAVERN. Courage, closed and boarded up, future uncertain. (SE25)

SE1, KING WILLIAM IV. Friary Meux, H unused. (SE27)

SE1, ROYAL GEORGE, 27 Carlisle Lane. Free House, demolished. First reported casualty of the Channel Tunnel railway link. Will be sadly missed. (SE39)

SE1, ROYAL STANDARD. Charrington, H unused. (SE39)

SE1, UXBRIDGE ARMS. Watney, closed and boarded up. (SE43)

SE5, DUKE OF EDINBURGH. Watney, H removed. (SE56)

SE5, ST GEORGES TAVERN. Taylor Walker, H unused. (SE59)

SE8, BLUSHERS. Free House, closed & boarded up. Formerly WINSTONS. (SE73, U46)

SE8, BROWN BEAR. Free House, closed & boarded up. (SE68, U41)

SE8, WINDSOR CASTLE. Belhaven (fizz), closed & boarded up. (SE72)

SE15, CHIMES. Free House (fizz), converted to flats. (SE117)

SE16, BLOOMERS. Free House (fizz), closed, for sale. (SE127)

SE16, COOPERS. Free House (fizz) demolished. (SE129)

SE17, ARCHDUKE CHARLES. Watney, H unused. (SE135)

SE17, DUCHESS OF YORK. Free House (fizz), closed & boarded up, for sale. Previously Truman. (SE137)

SE17, DUKE OF CLARENCE. Courage, H unused. (SE137)

SE17, GIRAFFE. Watney, H unused. (SE138)

SE17, HORSE & GROOM. Charrington, H unused. (SE138)

SE17, NORTHUMBERLAND ARMS. Whitbread, H unused. (SE138)

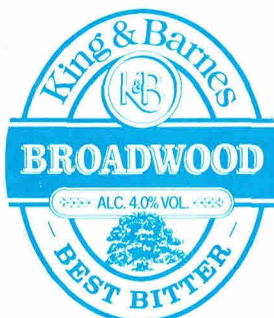
SE17, QUEEN ELIZABETH. Watney, H removed. (SE139)

CROYDON, EAST CROYDON STATION. Free House, H removed (both bars). (SE241)

CROYDON, PARROTS WINE BAR. Free House (fizz), converted to Chinese restaurant. (SE247)

SOUTH WEST

SW4, JOLLY GARDENERS. Charrington (fizz), demolished. (SW24, U39)



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THE ALBERT ARMS

82 High Street, Esher

THE APPROACH TAVERN

47 Approach Road, London E2

THE BARLEY MOW

Curtain Street, London EC2

BOATERS

Lower Ham Road, Kingston

THE BRICKLAYERS ARMS

63 Charlotte Road, London EC2

CANBURY ARMS

Canbury Park Road, Kingston,
Surrey

THE CLARET WINE BAR

33 The Broadway, Cheam

THE CLARET WINE BAR

5 Bingham Corner,
Lower Addiscombe Road, Croydon

THE CRICKETERS

32 Rowtown, Addlestone, Surrey

THE HOLE IN THE WALL

Mepharm Street, Waterloo Station

THE HOP EXCHANGE

149 Maple Road, Penge, London

THE LION

182 Pawsons Road, Croydon

THE LITTERN

118 Oldfield Lane South, Greenford

THE NEW INN

Walton Road, East Molesey, Surrey

THE ORCHARD

Orchard Road, Shirley

THE OSTRICH

High Street, Colnbrook, Middlesex.

THE RACEHORSE

17 West Street, Carshalton, Surrey

THE RAILWAY TAVERN

Ewell Road, Surbiton, Surrey

REFUGE WINE BAR

Selsdon Road, Croydon, Surrey

ROSE AND CROWN

333 London Road, Isleworth

THE SHERGAR

Consort Road, Peckham SE15

THE SUN

Lambs Conduit Street, London WC1

THE TRAFALGAR

High Path, Merton SW19

THE TWO CHAIRMEN

39 Dartmouth Street, London
SW

THE VICTORIA

56 Buckingham Palace Road,
London SW

THE WELLINGTON TAVERN

81/83 Waterloo Road, London
SE1

THE WESTMINSTER ARMS

9 Storays Gate, London SW1

THE WHEATSEAF

34 Kingston Road, Ewell,
Surrey

WHEELWRIGHTS ARMS

Southbridge Road, Croydon,

THE WHITE HART

70 High Street, Hampton,
Middlesex

WOODIES FREEHOUSE

Thetford Road, New Malden

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215 Tower Bridge Road, London
SE1

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SW8, CAVENDISH ARMS. Whitbread, H unused. (SW33)

SW8, MAWBEY ARMS. Shepherd Neame. Believed to be using cask breather. (SW35, U39, U43, U51)

SW11 OLD SWAN. Watney (fizz), demolished by Dec. 1987. Address was 116 Battersea Church Road. (SW41)

SW13, OLD RANGOON. Courage, H removed. (SW43)

SW18, LORD PALMERSTON. Watney, H unused. (SW53, U38)

SW18, ROYAL OAK. Charrington, H unused. (SW54)

WEST

W2, BRITISH OAK. Taylor Walker, H unused. (W58)

ISLEWORTH, HARLEQUIN. Courage, H unused. (W131)

SOUTHALL, VICTORY. Watney (fizz) closed & boarded up, future uncertain. (W143)

OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES

♦ denotes "Guest Beer" in tied house introduced under new legislation.

CENTRAL

EC1, BIG CITY BRASSERIE. Split in two and renamed **MORGAN'S DINER** which retains Ruddle: County and **OCEANS LEISURE BAR** which is now fizz. (U44)

EC1, COCK TAVERN. - Courage: Best Bitter. - Young: Special. + Courage: Directors Bitter. + John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. Early morning licence restricted to porters. (E16)

EC1 FOX & ANCHOR. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter. + Young: Special. (E17)

EC1, GLUEPOT. Renamed **MURPHY'S TAVERN.** (E17)

EC1, HOPE. + Young: Special♦. (E18)

EC1, SMITHFIELDS PAST & PRESENT. Now has early morning licence to replace **VICTORIA.** Incorrectly listed under EC4 in E guide. (E47)

W1 (MAR), BRICKLAYERS ARMS, 33 Aybrook Street. + Arkell: BBB. + Adnams: Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter. (W33)

W1 (MAR), DEVONSHIRE ARMS, 21A Devonshire Street. - Arkell: BBB. + Tetley: Bitter. (W34)

W1 (MAR), DUKES BAR. - Ruddle: Best Bitter. + Ind Coope: Burton Ale. + Tetley: Bitter. Now Belhaven, ex Truman. Ignore board outside proclaiming Belhaven Scottish Bitter as a real ale! (W34)

W1 (MAR), NIKI'S. Reverted to former name **QUEENS HEAD.** + Ruddle: County. + Fuller: London Pride♦. (W35)

W1 (MAR), PHOENIX. - Ind Coope: Bitter (W35)

W1 (MAR), WESTMORELAND ARMS. - beers listed except Boddington: Bitter. + Tolly Cobbold: Original. + Young: Bitter, Special. (W36)

W1 (MAR), WORCESTER ARMS. - beers listed. + Brakspear: Mild, Bitter. + Eldridge Pope: Thomas Hardy Country Bitter. + Marston: Pedigree. + Nethergate: Bitter. + Thwaites: Bitter. (W36)

W1 (MAY), WINDMILL. - beers listed in W guide. + Young: Bitter, Special. Another Free House is lost, albeit to Youngs. Now a Youngs tied house. (W40)

W1 (S), SUN & 13 CANTONS. - beers listed in W guide. + Boddington: Bitter. + Flowers: IPA. + Marston: Pedigree. Now a Free House, ex Watney with beers from the Whitbread range. (W44)

WC1, HANSLER. - Wethered: Bitter. + Brakspear: Bitter. + Marston: Pedigree. (W46)

WC1, PERCY ARMS. + Young: Special. A Charrington pub. (W49)

WC2, COACH & HORSES. - Ruddle: Best Bitter. + Young: Bitter♦. (W53)

WC2, KINGSWAY TAVERN. - Boddington: Bitter. + Wadworth: 6X. (W54)

WC2, MARQUIS OF GRANBY, 51 Chandos Place. + King & Barnes: Sussex Bitter♦ (W55)

WC2, NELL OF OLD DRURY. + John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (W55)

WC2, NEW SAVOY TAVERN. - Wadworth: 6X. - Younger: Scotch Bitter. + Theakston: Best Bitter. (W55)

WC2, RAT & PARROT. - Adnams: Bitter. - Ruddle: Best Bitter. + Everard: Tiger. + Ruddle: County. (W56)

EAST

E1, GUN. + Flowers: IPA♦. (E61, U41)

E2, MARTINS. Renamed **METROPOLIS.** (E73)

E3, BROMLEY ARMS. + Shepherd Neame: Spitfire Ale. (E81, U43)

E6, GREEN MAN. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter. Now only one function room. (E99)

E6, HAMMERS. + Ruddle: County. (E99)

E6, TOLLGATE TAVERN. + Flowers: Original Bitter. (E99)

E17, BELL. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (E159)

E17, ROYAL STANDARD. - Ind Coope: Burton Ale. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter.

+ Adnams: Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter. (E164)

E17, TAVERN ON THE HILL. - Young: Bitter.

+ Ind Coope: Burton Ale. (E164, U42)

BARKING, JOLLY FISHERMAN. + Ruddle:

County. (X14)

BARKING, RED LION. + Tetley: Bitter. (X14,

U42)

NORTH

N1, NORTH ONE CAFE BAR. - Younger: IPA. + Young: No. 3. (U52)

N1, SPECULATOR. Renamed **LEOPOLD BLOOMS,** the fourth name since 1986. Previously **JERSEY,** originally, **THREE BREWERS.** (N35, U36, U52)

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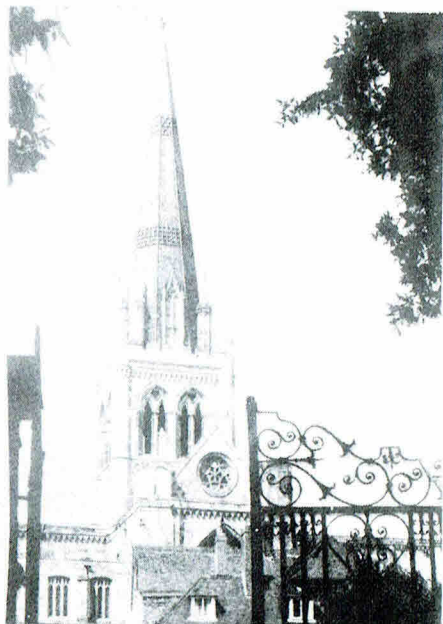
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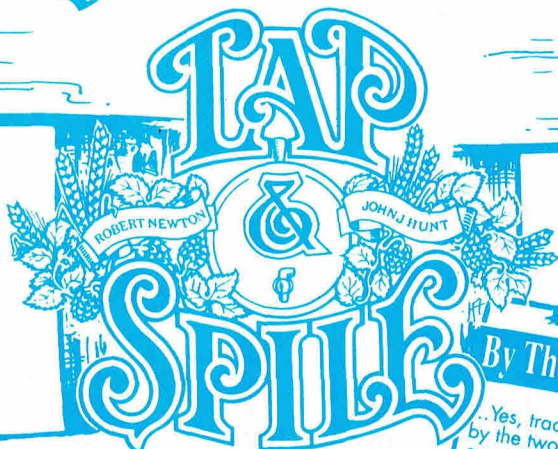


Cathedral through Deanery Gates

This bit is somewhat tricky from the navigational point of view, so please follow the map if you are trying it in sequence. Continue along St Pancras to the Coach & Horses (18). Open all day Wednesday to Saturday, it has Ruddell's County and Webster's Yorkshire. Its name is a reminder of this road's former importance to traffic, as the main route from London since early Roman times, and one of the most important thoroughfares in the country. Just a little further along on the right is the former Victoria, recently closed and until then a free house with a fine range of well-kept beers and a superb atmosphere from decor and furnishings appropriate to its name. We back-track a little and take a left down Needlemakers, a modern road, the significance of whose name has already been mentioned. To indicate the importance of that essential but little mentioned industry, there is a record going back to 1763 - at the very end of its decline locally - of the

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sum of 9s 3d. (46p) paid by one Thomas Turner for supplying 13,625 assorted needles to his draper's shop in East Hoathly.

At the end of this street we turn left into The Hornet, to the Four Chestnuts (19), serving Friary and Burton, and listed in the current Good Beer Guide. Its published hours are 10.30-2.30 and 6-11 daily except Sunday, when lunchtime closing is 2pm. Further along in the same direction is the Chequer (20) Whitbread, listed in the current GBG. The Four Horseshoes stands at a fork in the road, and we bear right down Whyke Road to the New Inn (21) next to a level crossing. I mention that detail as the name may well have changed by the time this appears. A Gales tied house until last Autumn, and now free, it offers Wadworth 6X, Gales HSB, Hall & Woodhouse Tanglefoot and other guest beers, including a mild. At the time of my visit these were Bateman Mild and Bitter, Brakspear Special, Ruddles Best and Fullers London Pride - the latter on gravity. Total renovation is planned, including a new real ale bar, and a possible change of name. Hours are 11-3, 5.30-11 Mon.to Thurs., all day Friday and Saturday, Sunday normal, with happy hours 11-12.30 and 5.30-7.00, Sunday 12-1.

There remains but one pub to mention on this lightning Historicrawl - the Crown (22) just a little beyond the level crossing serving Ruddles and Websters.

Rather than giving you long-winded directions back to the centre or the station, I will again refer you to the map, which has, of course, been simplified for clarity's sake. There is plenty of interest if you have the time and inclination to seek it out. Chichester is a superb old city, not too big to visit on foot which, with restricted traffic access and pedestrianised areas, is the best way to get around. Even the modern buildings do little to detract from its charm, and the amenities compare favourably with many far larger conurbations. I have known it for many years, and hope you will enjoy visiting it as much as I always do.

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as a local pub. The only advice I can offer is that you try to attend the earlier sessions of beer festivals.

On the question of notices outside the hall and refunds of entrance fees, these are matters particular to this event. I am sending a copy of your letter and this reply direct to the organising branch and I must leave them to make their own reply on those scores.

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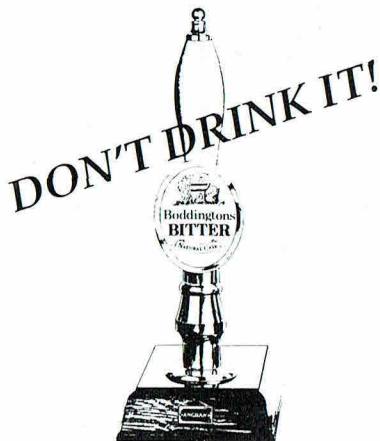
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