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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 HAND & SHEARS
EC1 PHEASANT & FIRKIN
EC1 SEKFORDE ARMS
EC1 SUTTON ARMS
EC1 THOMAS WETHERED
EC4 BANKER
E1 LORD RODNEYS HEAD
E2 APPROACH TAVERN
E2 MARKSMAN
E2 NELSON'S HEAD
E8 LADY DIANA
E8 VILLAGE
E9 FALCON & FIRKIN
E9 ROYAL STANDARD
E10 DRUM
E10 TAP & SPILE
E14 QUEENS HEAD
E17 COLLEGE ARMS
E17 VILLAGE
SE1 ANCHOR & HOPE
SE1 FOUNDERS ARMS
SE1 GOOSE & FIRKIN
SE1 HORNIMAN AT HAYS
SE1 KINGS ARMS
SE1 LEATHER EXCHANGE
SE1 PRINCE WILLIAM HENRY
SE1 SHIP, 68 Borough Road
SE1 WELLINGTON TAVERN
SE1 WHEATSHEAF
SE3 BRITISH OAK
SE5 PHOENIX & FIRKIN
SE6 TIGERS HEAD
SE7 McDONNELLS
SE8 DOG & BELL
SE8 ROYAL GEORGE
SE10 ASHBURNHAM ARMS
SE10 BRITISH SAILOR
SE10 FROG & RADIATOR
SE10 RICHARD I
SE13 FOX & FIRKIN
SE16 BLACKSMITHS ARMS
SE16 MANOR TAVERN
SE16 MOBY DICK
SE17 TANKARD
SE18 EARL OF CHATHAM
SE18 COOPERS ARMS (PLAISTED'S)
SE18 PRINCESS OF WALES
SE19 RAILWAY BELL
SE20 HOP EXCHANGE
SE22 CRYSTAL PALACE TAVERN
SE24 COMMERCIAL
SE24 PRINCE REGENT
SE25 ALLIANCE
SE25 GOAT HOUSE
SE25 SHIP
SE26 DULWICH WOOD HOUSE
SE27 HOPE
SE27 GIPSY QUEEN

ADDISCOMBE, CLARET WINE BAR

BEXLEY, BLUE ANCHOR
CROYDON, DOG & BULL
CROYDON, LION

OFF TRADE

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

OUTLETS - WEST CENTRAL, AND NORTH PUBS

WC1 CALTHORPE ARMS
WC1 CITTIE OF YORKE
WC1 LAMB
WC1 MARLBOROUGH ARMS
WC1 PAKENHAM ARMS
WC1 PRINCESS LOUISE
WC1 RUGBY TAVERN
WC1 SUN
WC1 YORKSHIRE GREY
WC2 CROWN & ANCHOR
WC2 GEORGE IV
N1 ALWYNE CASTLE
N1 COMPTON ARMS
N1 MITRE, Copenhagen Street
N1 PINT POT
N1 RADNOR ARMS
N1 FLOUNDER & FIRKIN
N1 GEORGE & VULTURE
N1 HEMINGFORD ARMS
N1 KINGS HEAD, 59 Essex Road.
N1 MALT & HOPS
N1 MARQUESS TAVERN
N1 PRINCE ARTHUR
N2 OLD WHITE LION
N4 NICHOLAS NICKLEBY
N4 MORTIMER ARMS
N4 OLD SUFFOLK PUNCH
N4 TAP & SPILE
N4 WHITE LION OF MORTIMER
N7 ADMIRAL MANN
N7 FAT HARRY'S
N8 ELBOW ROOM
N8 TOLL GATE
N9 BEEHIVE
N10 WETHERSPOONS
N11 NORTHERN STAR
N12 MOSS HALL TAVERN
N12 TALLY HO
N12 TILTED GLASS
N13 WHOLE HOG
N14 WOOLPACK
N16 ROSE & CROWN
N16 TANNERS HALL
N17 BOAR
N17 ELBOW ROOM
N17 NARROW BOAT

N19 DOG
N19 J. J. MOONS
N21 DOG & DUCK
N21 HALF MOON
N22 MOON UNDER WATER
N22 NELSON
N22 PHOENIX
BARNET, MOON UNDER WATER
BARNET, OLD MITRE
COCKFOSTERS, TRENT TAVERN
ENFIELD, CRICKETERS
ENFIELD, KING & TINKER
ENFIELD, OLD WHEATSHEAF
NEW BARNET, BUILDER ARMS
NEW BARNET, LORD KITCHENER
NEW BARNET, RAILWAY BELL

CLUBS

OUTLETS - NORTH-WEST PUBS

NW1 DUCK INN
NW1 GLOUCESTER ARMS
NW1 MAN IN THE MOON
NW3 FLASK TAVERN
NW4 CHEQUERS
NW4 WHITE BEAR
NW4 WHITE LION OF MORTIMER
NW6 QUEENS ARMS
NW7 RAILWAY TAVERN
NW9 GEORGE
NW9 J. J. MOONS
NW9 MOON UNDER WATER
NW10 GRAND JUNCTION ARMS
NW10 OUTSIDE INN
HAREFIELD, PLOUGH
HARROW, MOON ON THE HILL
HARROW WEALD, SEVEN BALLS
KENTON, NEW MOON
RUISLIP, J. J. MOONS
SOUTH HARROW, J. J. MOONS
SUDBURY, BLACK HORSE
WEALDSTONE, ROYAL OAK

OFF TRADE

N1 Beer Shop, Pitfield Street.
N2 GROGBLOSSOM
NW6 Grogblossom, 235 West End Lane.

CLUBS

NW4 MIDDLESEX POLYTECHNIC SOCIAL CLUB

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
SW1 ROYAL OAK

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EDITORIAL

Those of you whose interest in beer goes beyond British beers pulled up from the cellar into your glass by handpump from a vented cask will know that there are some excellent beers to be found in bottles and that many of them come from foreign parts. Amongst the foreign countries noted for their beers is Czechoslovakia and probably the best known beer from that country available in off licences and supermarkets is Budweiser Budvar. It takes its name from the town where the brewery is to be found - Ceske Budejovice, only it was known by its German name of Budweis when the brewery was founded in 1895.

But we all know, don't we, of another beer called Budweiser - in this country it comes from Mortlake, brewed under licence from the World's biggest brewery company Anheuser-Busch. Adolphus Busch toured Europe in the late 19th century to study brewing techniques and was most taken with the beers brewed in Budweis so when he went home he produced a beer in the style which he called Budweiser, his "King of Beers", a name which he registered in 1876 - nearly twenty years before the Budvar brewery was founded. (Thanks go to Michael Jackson and his Pocket Beer Book for this abbreviated history).

This history has led over many years to conflict between the two companies and made many lawyers very wealthy in the process of deciding which company had the right to sell its products under its own name in what countries. After all Anheuser-Busch did register the name first but on the other hand Budvar does come from the town in question. We British have, of course, compromised and allowed both companies to use their name in this country - more to the annoyance of A-B, I suspect, than of Budvar.

Now the news we hear is that A-B have made moves to end the conflict - a good thing perhaps. Unfortunately they do not propose simply calling a halt to the law suits but have made a bid for 30% of their rival when it is

privatised in the wake of the demise of the communist regimes in Czechoslovakia. A-B's bid is actually one of 42 received by the Czech Government but is being described as the preferred bid.

Although A-B have made a list of eight guarantees to protect the Czech company I cannot help feeling that these sound like so many other brewers' "promises" along the lines of "We have no plans to close . . . *within the foreseeable future*". CAMRA's view is firmly that Budweiser Budvar should remain under Czech control free from any foreign brewer's control to protect its identity and its beer. As stated by CAMRA's Iain Dobson and Roger Protz at a meeting with A-B's executive vice-president John McDonough our fear is that a 30% holding in 1992 would rise eventually to a controlling 51% interest before too long and very soon thereafter all that would effectively exist of Budweiser Budvar would be its trade mark and Anheuser-Busch will have won the war.

By the way, if you are a CAMRA member who has read all this in What's Brewing or a reader of the Morning Advertiser I apologise but I know that many of our readers are neither and I believe that they should be acquainted with the facts.

I should also like to make the point that this scenario is not confined to a single brewery in far off eastern Europe. Our own brewers are not exempt from the greedy eyes of big foreign brewers like Anheuser-Busch who are known to have been looking for a foothold in the British industry for quite some time. There are others as well like San Miguel, Heineken and Kirin of Japan who all make our giants Bass (and now the Watney/Courage grouping) look pretty small beer, if you will pardon the expression. When the trade barriers come down over the next year or so every brewery in the country will face the prospect of having to fight for its independent existence.

Andy Pirson

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors

Your "Croxley Crawl" piece in the March issue rightly stated that the area was "readily accessible to Tube travellers". It would be readily accessible to BR travellers as well, if only there were a decent service on their Watford Junction - Croxley Green branch. This has now dwindled to the ludicrous level of two trains in the morning (both before 7.30) and one in the evening (after 7.00) - virtually no use to anybody, and looking suspiciously like another case of "closure by stealth". There is a long-running proposal to link the two lines up at Croxley to form a useful through route from Watford Junction to Rickmansworth - but that may not happen for years, or indeed at all. In the meantime BR should at least be obliged to provide a reasonable level of service on their existing line. Then everybody would benefit - including those keen to explore the delights of Croxley's pubs!

Yours sincerely,

Graham Larkby,

Co-Ordinator, RAIL (Rail Action In London)

Dear Editors

Tony Hedger's editorial on short measure missed one important point. Yes, it is important that beer drinkers are getting less than a pint in their glasses, but only as an indication of the contempt in which major brewers appear to hold their customers. It is futile to attempt to do anything about it. Not only will the cost of new glasses be passed on to the customer, but so will the loss of income due to having to put more beer in glasses.

Major brewers appear to be totally oblivious to the law of diminishing returns. Any threatened drop in profits is immediately fended off by the knee-jerk reaction of increased beer prices, whether it is because of customer reaction to an inferior product, or by their own ineptitude. The former is easily overcome; sales of an inferior product can always be boosted by an expensive advertising campaign - the cost of which is, of course, passed on to the consumer.

Recently we have had an excellent example of the latter situation with the frantic pub disposal by brewers such as Whitbread. In order to avoid the Government's intention of improving choice in big brewers' pubs, they have sold

property at a time of extremely depressed house prices, thereby making a paper loss in the accounts. Even though this paper loss is more than likely actually a profit over the original price paid for the property, the paper loss is recouped by . . . yes, you guessed it, increased beer prices.

If these reasons for increased beer prices are not true, why then do beer prices soar above the rate of inflation? Therefore, it is actually in the customers' interest to leave the situation as it is where 99% of the beer drinking population are paying for the little bit of extra beer in the glasses of the 1% who ask for their glasses to be topped up.

By the way, Wolverhampton & Dudley mainly achieve the rare situation of accurate pints by measured dispense - electric pumps, not lined glasses.

Yours faithfully

Rob Trough, Cirencester, Gloucestershire

Tony Hedger Replies

I find it hard to disagree with most of Rob's views on the current state of the brewery trade but I can't accept that it is futile to stand up for our legal rights. My suggestion for glasses was simply that brim measure ones no longer be made available. Natural wastage ought to do the rest so it would be a replacement cost which would be there anyway, rather than new investment. As regards increasing the price, brewers already account for sales of 144 pints per kil so I would not anticipate any impact. Brewers will, as Rob obviously knows, increase prices by as much as they can get away with anyway!

Rob's point about W&D raises an interesting point. I have been told that brim measure glasses actually do hold more than a pint and that most handpumps deliver an accurate measure. Whether or not this is true, I would prefer to be able to see justice being done through the side of my glass.

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135 PUB OF THE YEAR

The members of the 135 Association recently voted for their Pub of the Year and over fifty of the 170 or so Young's tied houses received nominations. The winner was the LAMB in Lamb's Conduit Street, WC1, with the MARQUESS OF ANGELSEA, Bow Street, WC2 in second place and the WAGGON & HORSES, Surbiton Hill Road third. All three are in the current edition of the Good Beer Guide.

I was only going to mention these three but the fourth pub is rather special. This is HOLLAND'S, Exmouth Street, E1 which has only been a Young's pub for about six months. Its high placing is hardly surprising, however, as it is a first-rate pub with a Grade 2 listed interior.

Incidentally, the Association's Seventeenth Birthday Bash takes place on Thursday 23rd April, starting at the ROYAL OAK, Regency Street, SW1 at 6.00 pm and moving on to the BUCKINGHAM ARMS, Petty France, SW1 at 9.00 pm. "BBB"

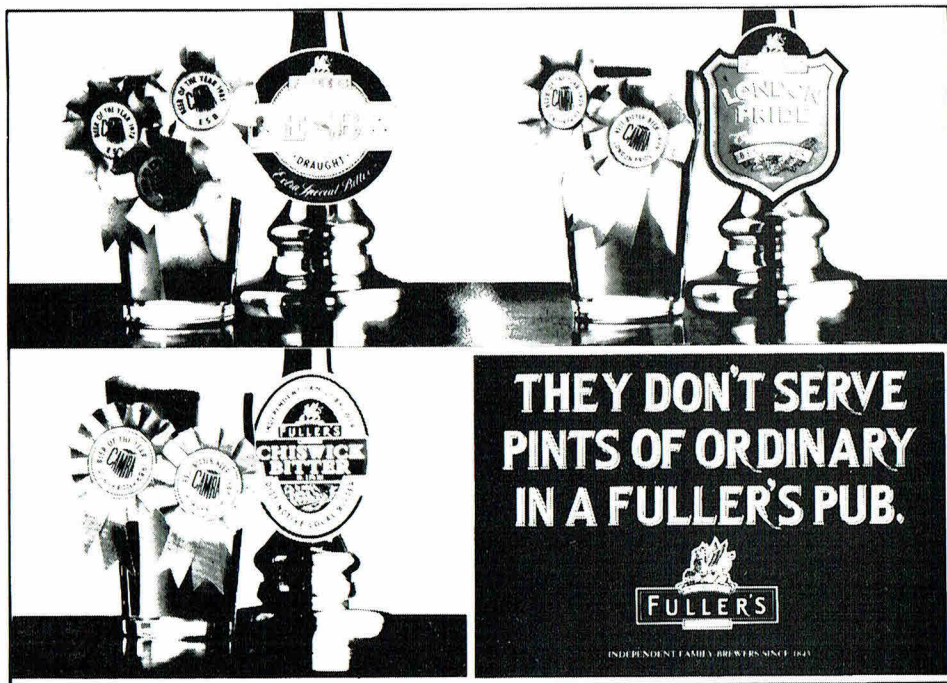
GOLDEN PRIDE

For several months now, a regular stockist of the "Drinker" has been the GOLDENEAGLE, High Street, Lincoln. The pub was, until a couple of years ago, Batemans' only tied house in the city. Last year the real ale distributors, Small Beer, took over the tenancy adding Fullers London Pride to the full range of Batemans' beers, Mild, XB and XXXB.

A constantly changing range of guest beers followed and, along with the success of London Pride, has led to the purchase of the pub by Small Beer to be run as a free house. Regular beers available now are Bateman XB, Exmoor Gold and of course London Pride, sales of which have boosted the popularity of the pub. Guest beers including a mild are also available.

However, for an exiled "yellow belly" there can be some drawbacks. On a recent visit there, alongside the "Pride", the guest beer was Young's Special I chose the Batemans' Mild.

Doug Scott



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

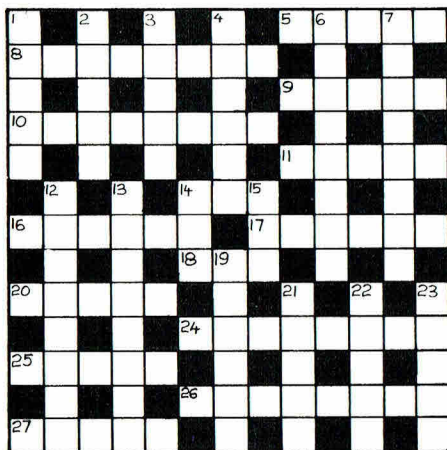
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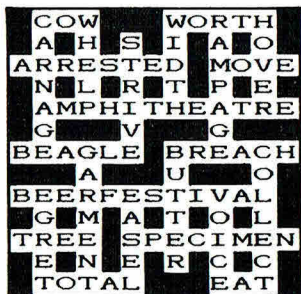
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All correct entries received by first post on 29th April will be entered into a draw for the prize.

The winner of the prize will be announced in the June 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

5. Cowboys finally manage the range. [5]
8. Let me be with rights o'eturned. Forget not! [8]
9. Tell of broken ankles - left not included. [5]
10. Return the Spanish lion trap, though it still holds. [8]
11. Monk without hesitation provides food. [5]
14. Bird is somewhat bemused. [3]
16. He tastes, I hear, the brewer's water. [6]
17. It's safe to have dog in sight. [6]
18. Beer of the festival easily wins. [3]
22. Land of bad taste. [5]
24. Royalty is incorporated in the papers. [8]
25. It provides a safe opening. [5]
26. Secretary after time becomes model. [8]
27. It creates too much interest. [5]

DOWN

1. Western ceremony is put down. [5]
2. Change at noon? [5]
3. Dirty mares reared up. [5]
4. Ambled off to madhouse. [6]
6. Touch with redhead's agreement. [8]
7. Rush round headless madman. It gets you nowhere. [8]
12. Great way to pressure lover? [8]
13. Is he infallible to those who serve him? [8]
14. Time of the Education Reform Act. [3]
15. Exploit American east? [3]
19. In this cellar German beer is more abundant. [6]
21. Pick off bird. [5]
22. Started to ask for article [5]
23. gain little donkey? [5]

Winner of the prize for the February crossword:

Alan Brooke, 23 Deane Way, Eastcote, Ruislip, Middlesex, HA4 8SX.

Other correct entries were received from:
Robert Anderson, Pat Andrews, Geoff B, Andy Brookes, Brendan Casey, Andy Darnbrough, Jane Darnbrough, Enigmatist, Kathryn Everett, The "Ex-Troglodyte", Mikes Farrelly/Richards, B.H.Fletcher, Eileen Graves, J.E.Green, John Heakin, Alison Henley, Mike Jolly, Jim Mason, Rab Noolas, David Peers, Steve Piggott, 369 I/P W.Priestley, A.C.Scutter, Norma Stitz, N.Vett, Martin Weedon, Chris Whithouse, Yak.

There were also 2 incorrect entries.

LONDON'S BEST



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Red Lion EC3
Kingsway Tavern



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Viaduct Tavern
Dog & Duck
Antelope
Argyll Arms
Australian
Ship
Golden Lion
Clachan
Coal Hole
Barley Mow
Unicorn

Devonshire Arms
Williamsons Tavern
George
Harcourt Arms
Leinster Arms
Prince Alfred
Doggetts Coat & Badge
Catherine Wheel
Horniman at Hays
Red Lion SW1
Southwark Tavern



IDLE MOMENTS

Well hello again! Do you remember that last month I finished off with a query from Mike Gigg, he of the non-rhyming limericks. Well I shall not keep you in suspense any longer; the first verse of the 1001 carpet cleaner jingle in full was:

One thousand and one, one thousand and one,
Gets rid of that work-a-day frown.
One thousand and one cleans a big, big carpet
For less than half a crown.

I say first verse advisedly because I recall that there was a second one though I cannot remember it in full. If you can remember it . . . I suggest that you keep quiet otherwise people might think you are a loony. Now to get down to business, starting with the answers to last month's number puzzles:

1. 25 Years to your Silver Wedding Anniversary
2. 10 Pounds is the Prize for the London Drinker Crossword
3. 999 Dialling Code for the Emergency Services
4. 3 Funnels on the Queen Mary
5. 24 Pieces in a Game of Draughts
6. 1296 Square Inches in a Square Yard
7. 15 Scores Two Points in Crib
8. 80 Quarters in a Ton
9. 4 Bishops on a Chess Board
10. 13 Sat Down to Eat at the Last Supper

And following right along with this month's:

1. 5 NRS from the BBC
2. 50 Y are C by a GJ
3. 72 P in a F
4. 3 N in a T
5. 1897 QVDJY
6. 204 OSM (in the LS)
7. 29 is the MPS for a CH
8. 82 TN of SA on a DB
9. 4 A in a D of C
10. 40 Y of the R of QE the S (in 1992)

You know, it sometimes gets quite difficult to work out new brewery anagrams each month. There are some where I have to admit defeat so one day I may have to give up on them; not just yet, though. In the meantime here are last month's answers:

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|--------------|----------|
| 1. SINGE SUN | GUINNESS |
| 2. UGH! ROT | TROUGH |
| 3. CUBE TOMB | BUTCOMBE |

- | | |
|-----------------|------------|
| 4. THIGH AGE | HIGHGATE |
| 5. HOME SO SOUR | MOORHOUSES |

And this month's posers:

1. THAT WISE
2. COST SWEAT
3. WIRE HILTS
4. PEEL DID GROPE
5. THROW WAD

It's time for that man Mike Gigg again; amongst the stuff he sent me (of which I used some last month) are some more examples of negatives for which, by some quirk of the language, there does not seem to be a positive. So here we go to set things straight by providing a few words that the dictionary compilers have seen fit to eschew:

SULT: (v) To compliment [opp. insult]
SIPID: (adj) Tasty [opp. insipid]
ANE: (adj) Sensible [opp. inane]
DAIN: (n) Respect [opp. disdain]
TERESTING: (adj) Boring [opp. interesting]

He also submitted "Traught" but we had already had that.

And now it's tr... general knowledge time so we shall dive straight in with last month's answers:

1. Michael Flanders and Donald Swan
2. Antonio
3. The Sud Aviation Caravelle
4. The Iron Bridge
5. Stanley Gibbons Ltd
6. Phobos and Deimos
7. John Wyndham
8. Quinces
9. Bernard Miles
10. The art of trimming trees into decorative shapes.

And, as if by way of prolonging the torture here are a few more questions for you to have a go at:

1. By what pseudonym is the cartoonist Terence Parkes better known?
2. In what country would you expect to find playing cards where the usual suits are replaced by swords, cups, batons and coins?
3. Around which group of offshore islands would you be going if you took a boat trip from Seahouses harbour?

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4. Who was the mathematician who invented logarithms, first published in 1614?
5. Who is the only person to have won world championships racing both motor cars and motor cycles?
6. What is the popular name of Beethoven's Sixth Symphony?
7. What charitable organisation has its headquarters in West Quay Road, Poole?
8. On which Pacific island are the giant stone statues studied by Thor Heyerdahl and written about in his book "Aku-Aku"?
9. What was the name of the founder of New York (originally New Amsterdam)?
10. Who was the author of the books "The Devil Rides Out" and "The Haunting of Toby Jug"?

Last month I sold Harry Davies of Shepherds Bush short; I told you that he provided brain teasers numbers 2 to 4 when he also provided No. 5. Here are the answers:

1. Ian Amy, Chris Cobbold and Andy Pirson.
2. 49
3. 18
4. Neither; each has average of 3
5. The little boy told the policeman that he had run away from home, but he was too young to cross the road.

This month's five also come from Harry Davies. Unless he sends me some more there will only be one more from him (for which you may, or may not, be very grateful):

1. Where do you go to buy a nuclear computer?
2. What is always in front of you, even though you cannot see it?

3. Russell, the lucky blighter, had a win on the horses. On the day he collected his winnings he spent 95p. The next day he spent £1.90, the next day £2.85, the day after that £3.80 and so on, each day spending 95p more than the day before until on the last day he spent £190, expending the last of his winnings buying drinks for all his mates down at the Thatched House. What did Russell's total winnings amount to?

4. Whenever Mrs Palmieri made a pizza she had a problem deciding which of her two sons should have which piece. However carefully she cut the pizza, both boys would complain that "their" piece was smaller.

One day she had an idea. She called both boys into the kitchen, stood them beside the table on which lay the pizza and the knife and said something which at once put an end to all argument. What did she tell her sons to do so that neither could complain about the size of the piece of pizza he received?

5. If you add the age of Dave to that of Dawn you get a combined age of 91 years. Dave is now twice as old as Dawn was when he was as old as she is now. How old are Dave and Dawn?

Well, that's about it for another month you will no doubt be relieved to learn. I'll just leave you with a bit of wisdom from an ex colleague of mine, a Yorkshireman by the name of Hugh Goodlet, who asked, "If Teflon is so good how do they get it to stick to frying pans?"

Bye for now!

Andy Pirson

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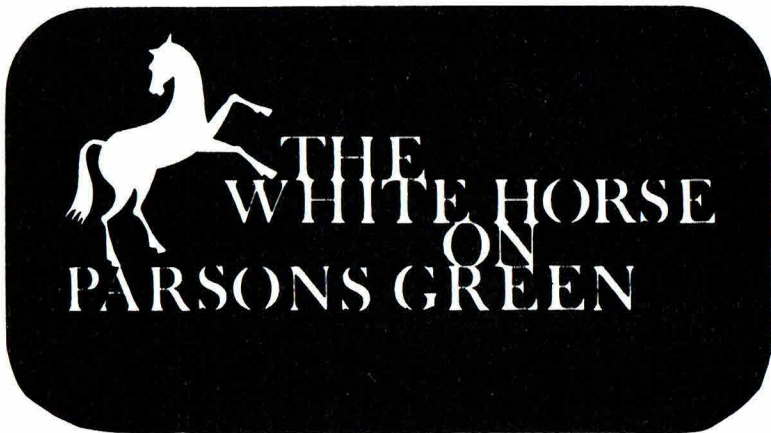
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FULLERS NEWS

"Passports Please!"

Great news for all you inveterate pub crawlers. The Fuller's Passport Scheme is about to be revived very soon.

I do not have all the final details as such, but I do know that with the addition of 44 new pubs from Allied plus a few more new ones and acquisitions, there will be over 200 pubs to visit this time!

The Trail will be divided into three stages with a special reward for each section completed. I won't give too much away by revealing the prizes but I am sure they will go down extremely well (clue there).

It is due to be launched by the end of April. Ask your local Fullers licensee for more details.

More New Pubs and Pub News

I must apologise to your correspondent, Colin Price (letters Nov. 91 and Feb. 92), for not having put pen to paper sooner.

Colin pointed out that there were a few errors and omissions from the new "Taste of Tradition" leaflet put out by the brewery. This is a leaflet that should provide a comprehensive list of all their current outlets and facilities.

I am now in a position to clarify what Colin already knew or surmised.

The Andover Arms in Hammersmith W6 (see Beer Briefing Update No. 67) was acquired from Watneys in November and missed the new list.

The Swan in Ship Tavern Passage (Near Leadenhall Market), EC3 was formerly a Whitbread house and needed a considerable amount of work to bring it up to scratch. By the time you read this, the beer should be flowing from the pumps of this tiny city pub.

As far as the Northcote Arms in Southall is concerned - this is no longer a Fullers tied house, having been sold off several years ago. it does however still sell London Pride - the quality of which is variable to say the least! The Midland Tavern in Luton never traded as a Fuller's house and has been disposed of.

There was a question-mark over the Wolseley Arms in Bedford but I have spoken to Richard Fuller and the brewery has now decided to

keep it. That is more than can be said for the Princess of Wales in Woking and the brewery is seeking to dispose of it. The Volunteer at Theale should now be open after a complete refurbishment.

Handpumps were fitted to the Waterfront, E14 during the middle of 1991 and at the Master Spearpoint in the Autumn. Let us hope that handpumps will soon sprout through the bar of the oddly named Latymers. Colin is quite correct - the beer is dispensed unpressurized via electric pump. (I have inspected the cellar). The Wheatsheaf, Ealing, W5 and the Chincham Arms in Basingstoke both **do** have handpumps.

That only leaves the Swan at Bicester (shame!), the Red Lion, Brentford (knock it down and start again!), and the Feathers, Ealing W5 as the only remaining "sweet shops" (fizz!) in the Fullers estate. However, I noticed the other day that the last named is closed for refurbishment. Although Fullers own the freehold (and thus the beer tie), it has been on a very long lease to Berni Inns. Berni Inns are now wholly owned by Whitbread and it has been their policy to install real ale into the majority of their "eateries". Let's hope that this will be the case here.

There will soon be two more pubs to add to the list. Both are brand new - one will be the Sir Isaac Newton and will be near the old Royal Mint, near St Katherine's Dock. The other, the Cat and Canary, will be in the heart of Docklands at - You guessed it . . . Canary Wharf. Both should be opening in the early summer.

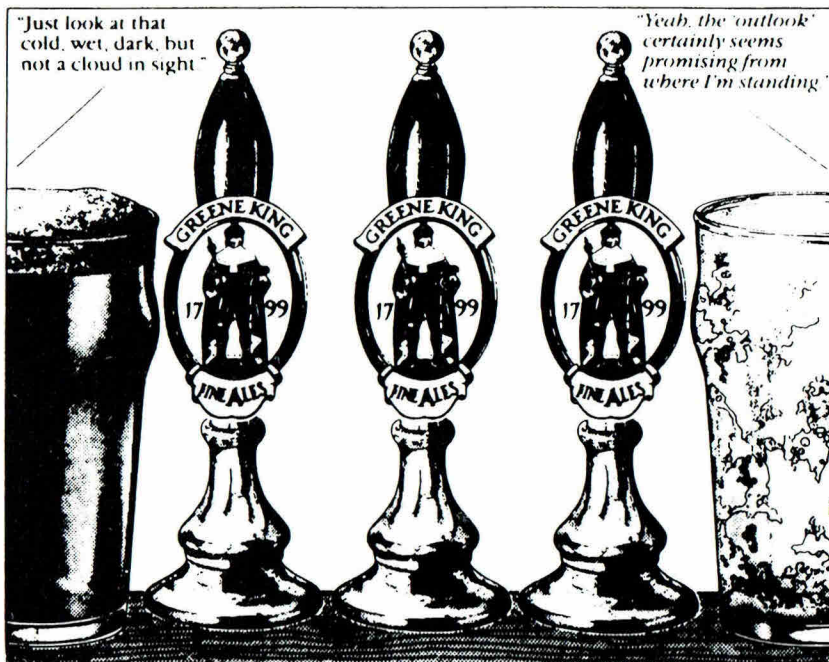
I expect you will be seeing an amended Taste of Tradition leaflet quite soon.

Goodbye 2U K2

Last month it was reported that Young's Brewery had struck up a supply deal with Bass and that in exchange for Youngs selling Tennants Extra in all their pubs, certain Charrington pubs would be stocking Youngs P.A.

Well, Fullers have made a similar deal with Bass and will supply many Charrington houses with London Pride (what future for Charrington IPA now?) In exchange for this, "selected" Fullers pubs will now be stocking the advertising

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PUB PLANNING TO BREW ITS OWN BEER IN A GARAGE

Connoisseurs of a fine pint could soon be supping a new brand brewed exclusively in a garage.

The Wheelwright Arms, in Southbridge Road, has applied to Croydon Council for permission to turn its garage into a brewery.

And, if it gets planning permission, the first barrels of the homemade beverage could be "on the market" by next summer.

Manager Dave Turner said installing the equipment, including two huge copper vessels, would cost £10,000-£12,000.

He hopes eventually to produce 20 barrels a week and to sell the spare capacity off to neighbouring pubs.

"It is a little bit of a gamble", Mr Turner admitted.

"We have been in a recession but we have had a very good year so we thought why not go one step further", he said.

"Our regulars are very enthusiastic about the plan."

The new brew is likely to cost 10p-20p less than commercial mid-strength bitter.

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executives favourite lager . . . Carling Black Fable!

To cope with the upturn in demand for London Pride extra space had to be found at the brewery. As space is a bit limited, something had to go . . . Yes, poor old K.2, Fullers only house brand lager.

I don't believe that K.2 was ever a great success and having spoken to several publicans who stocked it, they tell me it is amazing that it survived as long as it did.

I tried a half pint once (for research purposes only - you understand!) and I personally didn't think it was all that bad. It was additive free and actually tasted of something - which is probably why "your average lager drinker" didn't go for it. However, for "your average lager drinker", Carling should fit the bill perfectly!

Bernie Peal

LORD RODNEYS HEAD

Finding out who streets are named after is relatively easy as most reference libraries have books on the subject.

Usually they are named after local dignitaries as was Barnes Street near Limehouse Station (formerly Stepney East). When they wanted a second street named after WH Pemberton Barnes they reversed his surname and we have a Senrab Street in the East End. Not so easy found out is the names of pubs and other buildings. For instance Crowders Well, Andrewes House (in EC2), probably not Leslie Crowder or Archie Andrewes as the spelling does not ring true.

So what of Lord George Bridges Rodney and any connection with Whitechapel Road? He was born in 1719, entered the Navy when he was 14, distinguished himself at the battle of Ushant in 1747 as captain and while in command of the Leeward Island station in 1761 he captured Martinique, Santa Lucia, Grenada and St Vincent. He was made a baronet in 1764 and was the Governor of Greenwich Hospital 1765-71. After a time in retirement he was re-appointed to the Leeward Islands in 1779. Instructed to relieve Gibraltar, he utterly defeated the Spanish fleet

off Cape St Vincent in January 1780 where, of the nine Spanish ships only two escaped, one was blown up and the other six captured. Gripping stuff this isn't it? Proceeding to the West Indies, he fought several indecisive battles and was superseded in 1781, but in 1782 he returned and defeated Grasse off Martinique where though recalled, was made a baron in 1782 and died in May 1792 at his house in Hanover Square. Even his son's address is given as 93 Denmark Hill, SE, so where is the connection with the East End?

Lord Rodneys Head is owned by London Regional Transport and before being leased to Banks & Taylor it was leased to Charrington. As well as brewers and vicars in their midst there was also an Admiral. In 1782 one Nicholas Charrington commanded 600 men on the sixty-four gun ship of war Ajax. Before that he served under Rodney.

After imbibing in the Rodders Head you may care to wander eastward to the White Hart, 1 Mile End Road where Cains Bitter or Thwaites have been selling at 99p for the past few months.

Keith Emmerson

WETHERSPOON'S BEER FESTIVAL

Wetherspoons are holding a massive beer festival at its biggest free house, the White Lion of Mortimer, West Hendon, this month featuring no less than 250 ales. All beers will be on sale at just £1.20 a pint through the event which runs from Wednesday 8th to Sunday 12th April, opening hours being 11.00 to 11.00 every day except Sunday when they will of course be 12.00 to 3.00 and 7.00 to 10.30.

Among the beers on offer will be Archer's Headbanger; Cotleigh Old Buzzard; Nethergate Old Growler; Hopback Summer Lightning; Glenny Hobgoblin; Mauldons' Blackadder and Moorhouse's Pendle Witches Brew. To add to the festival atmosphere, a cooper will be displaying his skills and there will be a show by West-minster Morris Men on Sunday between one and two pm. Brewers Greene King and Theakston will

have stalls as will CAMRA and Wetherspoons themselves and O'Hagan's real ale sausages will be on sale.

Wetherspoon's retail director Keith Lunn is reported as saying, "We believe this is the largest beer festival in London so far this year, and possibly the largest held in one pub anywhere in the UK." We are not sure how it will compare in beer sales with Battersea held in February and the London Drinker Festival which will have taken place by the time you read this but we would certainly not quibble about its comparison with any other pub based festival.

The White Lion of Mortimer is to be found at 3 York Parade, West Hendon Broadway, NW9. Nearest stations are British Rail Hendon and Hendon Central on the Northern Line.

NEWS FROM YOUNG'S

Young's Winter Warmer - voted Britain's best draught beer in the 1992 Brewing Industry International Awards - is to make its first appearance at the Pub, Club and Leisure Show.

The south London-brewed dark old ale will join Young's Bitter and Special on the brewery's popular bar at the show at Olympia in April.

Chairman John Young said: "Winter Warmer is normally available only from October to March each year, but we are giving it an extended run this year because we want to give people in the trade a chance to sample Britain's champion cask-conditioned beer."

Winter Warmer, brewed at an original gravity of 1055 (5.0 ABV), has enjoyed increased sales this winter and Youngs will be making it available to free houses and clubs, as well as their own pubs, for an extended period if demand continues.

PUB MEASURES ROW BROUGHT TO A HEAD

Beer drinkers will at last get what they pay for in pubs and clubs - a full pint of beer.

BACK NUMBERS

To date 144 editions of London Drinker have been issued: back numbers of the following are available:

1979: March, April, May, June, August, September, December.

1980: February, March, April, May, July, August, September, October, November, December.

1981: February, April, May, June, July, August, September, November, December.

1982: March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, December.

1983: February, April, June, July, August, September, October, November, December.

1984: All issues (May 1 copy only)

1985 to date: 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.

The Government has announced that it will be illegal to serve a smaller measure of liquid topped up with foam. All standard pub glasses must have a line below the rim to indicate a full pint of liquid.

"This should be cheering news for beer-drinkers everywhere", said the consumer affairs minister, Edward Leigh.

A date for the legal changes has not been announced. Mr Leigh will have talks on implementing them.

Surveys have suggested that as many as four in five servings are less than a pint. The shortfall is valued at £225 million a year by the Institute of Trading Standards Administration. A representative of one trading watch-dog was recently served a pint with the head taking up 17.5 per cent of the glass.

But the new law could result in a dear pint. "Somebody has got to pay for a change-over if it means disposing of the current glasses, and the cost is going to be borne by the customer," said John Overton, chief executive of the National Licensed Victuallers' Association.

A Brewers' Society spokesman said: "The head on a pint of beer is a matter of taste, and if in any doubt the customer asks for a top-up".

SOUTH WEST LONDON PUB OF THE YEAR

The winner of the award for South West London Branch's Pub of the Year is the NIGHTINGALE, in Nightingale Lane, Balham, SW12. The contest was decided by a postal ballot of branch members and the Nightingale easily topped the poll with over 40% of the 53 votes cast. The result was announced at the Battersea Beer Festival held in February.

A presentation will take place at the pub at 9.00 pm on Wednesday 8th April, the celebrations beginning at 8.00 pm.

In second place was J J Moon's in Streatham and the Princess Royal at Merton was third.

Martin Butler



TWENTY-ONE YEARS YOUNG

I expect that the subjects of this little piece have lost count of the time that they have heard that pun by now - the above title, I mean. The subjects are Bill and Betty Lubbock of the Queen Dowager in North Lane, Teddington and the reason is that they have just celebrated twenty one years as licensees with Young & Co of Wandsworth.

After a fair number of years (not to give too many secrets away) in the licensed trade in other parts of the country, Bill and Betty returned more or less to their roots - they originate from Tooting - and took over the Britannia in Allen Street, just off Kensington High Street in 1971. In between times they have run the Alexandra in Wimbledon Hill Road, Wimbledon and the Prince William Henry in Blackfriars Road before coming to the Dowager about four years ago.

The event was celebrated on the lunchtime of Friday 21st February by a visit from the brewery chairman John Young and several other luminaries and, of course, a Young's dray drawn by two of their magnificent draught horses. Free drinks, were provided courtesy of the brewery as was a magnificent buffet prepared by Betty Bamford of the nearby Popes Grotto in Twickenham where, incidentally, the dray and horse were transported to for their final walk to the QD.

All our thanks and congratulations go to Bill and Betty for their great service to Youngs, but more especially to their customers who are always made completely at home. We hope you enjoy many more happy years at the Dowager - for as long as you do enjoy it, that is.

Andy Pirson

BATTERSEA BEEREX

This was a highly successful event this year, a bit too successful on some nights though. Our apologies must go out to those readers who were present at the festival when the day's allocation was at its end and whose choice was severely limited. We hope to rectify this situation next year by expanding into the lower hall. We were overwhelmed on Thursday night (1,150 people attended) and decided we had to ration the beer, to safeguard the subsequent sessions. hence, on Saturday, we started the session with 23 draught beers on offer and still ran out by 5.15pm. The Family room proved to be extremely popular with people who travelled some distance to attend with their children.

In general terms though, we found most people thoroughly enjoyed themselves, the lack of music in the evenings provoking a lot of favourable comment. The comfortable seating and the surroundings also being appreciated although apparently our flower arranging left a bit to be desired! It was apparent to us how many ladies attended overall (we estimated one third of all customers) and how many large groups stayed from opening time till early evening. We also had over 40 publicans with

their guests on Thursday afternoon. We signed up 63 new members and a higher proportion of the 4,500 total attendance were non-members, a trend we wish to encourage.

Although we appreciate members who often travel vast distances to attend, we are, after all, a campaigning organisation who should be demonstrating to a new audience, how diverse and interesting well-kept draught beer can be.

A few statistics: we sold 11,500 pints of beer (which included a 15 kil re-order), 8 dozen bottles of country wines, 720 pints of cider and every single crate of foreign beer (50) including a 4 case re-order. All low-alcohol beers and soft drinks also were given away. All tombola prizes were also won, except for 3. We raised £500 for Battersea Dog's Home largely through the dictatorial style of Jay Hall.

My personal thanks to him and to all our loyal members, but especially to our own members who turned up in sufficiently large enough numbers to be able to serve the customers and still smile at the end!

Chris Cobbold
SW London Chair

SEEING IS BELIEVING

It is generally accepted that snooker took off in a big way with the advent of colour TV. From its humble, early presentation via Pot Black in black and white to saturation coverage and eventual near overkill. I see a strong resemblance to the growth of lager sales.

If snooker's 'Big Bang' was the take-off in mass sales of colour TV sets then what gave lager its big boost?

Obviously, colour itself did a lot for lager advertising. One recalls the Hofmeister bear; the voice of Orson Wells harnessed to promote Carlsberg and Victor Borge helping Heineken reach our extremities; McEwan's macho grousebeaters; the Carling couple and Lamot's mountie. But I would go further back for what one can at least describe as lager's 'Little Bang!' I refer to a film made in 1958 called "Ice Cold in Alex" in which four disparate characters slog across the Egyptian desert beset by Germans, minefields, sand and each other, but above all by heat and thirst. The urge to survive is given that extra edge by the thought of a long cold drink in Alexandria. They get through, of course, and in a memorable scene down a long cold lager. "Worth waiting for," says hero John Mills. It was beautifully done and highly evocative of all those occasions when all that one wanted was a drink like that. That film gave a small but significant boost to lager sales prior to the big advertising yet to come.

A further boost from a visual story line was provided by a popular TV series that just happened to coincide with the advertising assault.

No-one better epitomised the Jack-the-Lad of his time than character Terry McCann, convincingly played by Denis Waterman in TV's "Minder". Terry always drank lager - in fact did the Winchester Club even sell beer in those days? There's no doubt thousands of our youth watched Terry and related to him. Looking as they will for some way of rebelling against perceived adult values, our youth began to turn its back on beer, Dad's drink, and founded a new culture based on lager - louts and all. perhaps the adman's greatest success story, but I'm convinced Terry McCann was in there too. So natural, so persuasive, so influential.

At least, thanks to another successful body, CAMRA, real ale has survived and sales are increasing and a lot of our younger people are now trying what their dads enjoyed. It could be that lager sales have peaked and people will decide for themselves that there's nothing like choice.

I see there's now a handpump in the Winchester bar.

Bill Mell

The above article is reproduced from the January/February edition of Ale Talk, the magazine of Kirklees Branch of CAMRA, with thanks to the author and editor.

A DICKY IN YOUR BOTTLE . . .

(East London & City News)

Alan Sheppard took over the Nelson's Head, Horatio Street, E2 in December and continues to sell Bateman's Mild, XB and XXXB to which he has added Salem Porter (formerly known as Winter Warmer) which sells for £1.80 a pint. Because it is rather tucked away the Nelson's Head doesn't always get the custom it deserves, so why not pay it a visit. On your way there you can call in at the Marksman free house on the corner of Horatio Street and Hackney Road.

Alison Tudor is the licensee at the Manby Arms, Water Lane, E15, which is a Bass

Charrington pub without any Bass real ales! It does have Greene King IPA, Fuller's London Pride and Young's Special, all in good condition and at very reasonable prices. All too often one finds pubs where the quality of the beer is not as high as the prices, but at the Manby Arms it's the other way round!

Finally, Eugene Ward is leaving the Blue Posts, Cowcross Street, EC1 to become tenant of the Smithfield Tavern in nearby Charterhouse Street. I'll pen a few lines on the latter pub next time, after I've paid it a visit. Cheers!

"East Ender"



King & Barnes

FINE SUSSEX ALES

BEER CASKS OBEY THE NEW BARCODE

Losses of empty beer casks and kegs costs the UK brewing industry an estimated £10 million a year.

The brewers have managed to cut the losses from more than double that amount over the past five years by alerting police, pub staff and metal dealers to the organised theft and smelting of the aluminium and stainless steel containers for their scrap metal value.

But about 200,000 kegs, with an average replacement value of £50 each, are still lost every year. Many are "borrowed" for use as mooring buoys and supports for fences at local gymkhanas. Mountain bikers use them as obstacles, and building tradesmen erect working platforms on them.

Others are merely stacked in forgotten corners by customers who cannot be bothered to return them to the brewery.

As the distribution networks of the brewers have extended well beyond their own pub estates in the UK and into export markets, keeping track of the where-abouts of individual containers has become more difficult.

But Charles Wells, the family-owned Bedford brewery, and management consultants P-E International, of Egham, Surrey, have devised a computerised system of monitoring the movement of the kegs using barcode technology.

Charles Wells labels each of its casks and kegs with a barcode which identifies the brewery, the size of the container, and the date and place of its manufacture.

This basic information is fed into the computer database along with the manufacturer's serial number stamped on each keg.

A computer terminal at the production line is used to key in details of each day's brew - brand of beer brew number and date. Then automatic scanners read the barcodes of the kegs as they are filled.

When the containers are moved to the loading bay, the make-up of each load is fed into the

computer by radio-linked portable data capture units. Any other brewer's products included in the load are also identified.

Draymen with portable scanners again identify each container after it is loaded and add in personal identity codes and information about the time, place of loading and the vehicle in use.

All deliveries and collections at each outlet they visit are similarly recorded. The portable unit is plugged into a printer in the cab of the vehicle to produce delivery notes for signature by the landlord or manager.

When the drays return to the brewery, the data from their portable units are downloaded to the central computer. The brewery thus has a daily record of every container delivered to, and returned by, each customer.

Undue delays in returning empty casks can be spotted and action taken to recover them.

The system has cost about £250,000 to develop. But Jonathan Harrison, Charles Wells's finance director, says: "We have about 66,000 containers, and we reckoned that if our losses were in line with the industry average, they were costing us more than £150,000 a year."

After a year's operation, he says, losses are less than 2 per cent compared with an estimated 5 per cent for the industry as a whole.

Apart from combating theft, the system has brought other benefits. Containers are being used more efficiently by speeding the return of empties to the brewery and reducing stock-holding.

Other cost savings are likely to flow from the analysis of data that the system provides on keg repairs, usage patterns in different trade sectors and the return of spoiled beer.

Brand marketing and sales are expected to benefit from the flow of information; and the system provides extra insurance in any contamination emergency by enabling the brewer to trace and recall the affected product quickly.

DRINKERS PRICED OUT OF THE PUB

Big brewers were blamed recently for driving drinkers out of pubs through soaring prices.

As the £2 pint loomed, a Consumers' Association survey showed **the price of beer has risen by three times the rate of inflation.**

And one in three Britons spends less time at the local than they did two years ago.

"It's difficult to understand how recent big increases can be justified," said Sue Leggate, editor of the association's magazine, *Which?*

But the Brewers' Society replied: "It's no wonder the price has gone up. The Chancellor keeps putting the tax up."

"People not going to the pub has more to do with the recession. People have less money to spend."

The survey shows a third of Britons never have a night out. Most of them prefer to buy drink more cheaply at the supermarket or off-licence and stay at home to watch TV or a video.

A separate survey of 900 pubs nationwide found that the average price of a pint of bitter is £1.24. It is cheapest, at 86p, in North-west England and most expensive, at £1.72, in London. A pint of lager can cost £1.82 in London but £1 in North-west England. The national average is £1.39. *Which?* said it will soon be a commonplace to pay £2 a pint. In the

year to last October, the price of beer rose 13 per cent, three times the inflation rate. The survey also revealed that orange juice can cost £3 a pint. A glass of mineral water often costs £1. A gin and tonic can be £1.95 in Northern England, just 1p less than the top price found in London. G & T prices are lowest, at 85p, in Yorkshire and Humberside.

Scotch is still best value in Scotland, where the average price is 91p for a measure that is 20 per cent bigger than in England and Wales.

Which? said the Monopolies Commission's bid to spark more competition in brewing had failed. "The rules have had a big impact inside the industry", it said. "Thousands of pubs have been put up for sale and many tenants face new rental agreements. However it is hard to see how consumers have benefited."

The Brewers' Society insisted: "There is competition. The Consumers' Association's own survey shows that pubs next door to each other do charge different prices."

MEPs BACK CIDER CASE

The European Parliament has agreed an amendment that cider be given a duty category of its own after fears that European Community proposals could price it out of the market. The European Commission had proposed that cider should be taxed as wine - at £1.20 a litre.

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BRANCH DIARY

If your branch is not mentioned, please ring the Branch Contact. Dates for April of which we have been notified are given below. Branches please send information to Andy Pirson. Branch Contacts page 20.

CROYDON & SUTTON: Thu 2 (8.00) Joint Social/Games Night with South East London Branch. DOG & BULL, Surrey Street, Croydon - Thu 9 North Croydon Crawl. FISHERMANS ARMS (dep. 8.45) then NEWTON ARMS (dep. 9.30); LION - Tue 14 SE25 Crawl. GOAT HOUSE (dep. 8.45) then ALBION (dep. 9.30); ALLIANCE - Wed 22 Croydon Crawl. DUKE OF GLOUCESTER (dep. 8.30) then BIRD IN HAND (dep. 9.00), both in Sydenham Road; HORSE & JOCKEY; OAKFIELD TAVERN - Mon 27 (8.00) Branch Meeting. NEW TOWN, Lind Road, Sutton (Gallery Bar).

ENFIELD & BARNET: Thu 2 (8.30) Barnet Price Survey Evening. Meet at YEOLDE MITRE INN, 58 High Street, Barnet - Wed 8 (8.30) Branch Meeting. PLOUGH, Crews Hill, Enfield - Tue 14 (9.00) Social. CAVALIER, 67 Russell Lane, Whetstone, N20 - Wed 22 (9.00) Two Pub Social in East Barnet. PRINCE OF WALES, 2 Churchill Road then CAT & LANTERN, 243 East Barnet Road - Thu 30 (8.30) Enfield Price Survey Evening. Meet at KINGS HEAD, Market Place, Enfield.

KINGSTON & LEATHERHEAD: Wed 1 (8.30) Business Meeting. KINGS ARMS, Epsom - Sun 5 (12.00) Sunday Social. BRICKLAYERS ARMS, Kingston - Wed 8 (4.00) Visit to GIBBS MEW Brewery. Names to Branch Contact ASAP please.

NORTH LONDON: Thu 26 Mar (8.00) Joint Social with University College Real Ale Society and London Drinker Pick-up. MARLBOROUGH ARMS, Torrington Place, WC1 - Sun 29 Mar (12.00) Lunchtime Social. CAMDEM ARMS, Randolph Street, NW1 - Tue 31 Mar (8.00) Mew Members' Social (free pint for new members). SPREAD EAGLE, Albert Street, NW1 then PARKWAY, Camden Town, NW1 - Sat 4 (12.00) Skittles Match Vs. Mensa. FREEMASONS ARMS, Downshire Hill, NW3 (in the skittle alley - ask at bar) - Tue 7 (8.00) Two Pub Social. STAGS HEAD, Hawley Road, NW1 then HAWLEY ARMS, Castlehaven Road, NW1 - Tue 14 (7.30/8.30) Branch Meeting. THREE CUPS, Sandland Street, WC1. Open Committee Meeting in bar at 7.30 followed by Branch Meeting in function room - Sun 19 (12.00) Eastern Sunday Social. SIR RICHARD STEELE, 97 Haverstock Hill, NW3 - Tue 21 (8.00) Two Pub Social in N1 (Essex Road area). SUSSEX ARMS, Culford Road then DOG & DUMPLINGS (9.30), Southgate Road - Thu 30 (8.00) Social and London Drinker Pick-up. OLD QUEENS HEAD, 44 Essex Road, N1. MAY is MILD MONTH - Born to be Mild! Sun 3 May (12.00) Lunchtime Social. LORD WOLSELEY, White Lion Street, N1 - Tue 5 May (8.00) Mild Social. ROEBUCK, 15 Pond Street, Hampstead, NW3 - Advance Notice: Thu 9 Jun BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. Venue to be arranged - Advance Notice: Sat 12 Nov 1994. Day trip to Brussel & Antwerpen. See details elsewhere in this edition of London Drinker.

RICHMOND & HOUNSLOW: Tue 7 (8.30) Committee Meeting. COACH & HORSES, 8 Kew Green, Kew - Thu 23 (8.30) Social. WHITE HORSE, 14 Worples Way, Richmond - Mon 27 (8.30) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. ALBANY, Old Station Yard, Twickenham.

SOUTH EAST LONDON: Mon 30 Mar (8.00) Open Committee Meeting. BIRD IN HAND, 35 Dartmouth Road, SE23. Thu 2 (8.00) Joint Dominoes Social with Croydon & Sutton Branch. DOG & BULL, 24 Surrey Street, Croydon - Mon 6 (8.00) Branch Meeting. STAR INN, 158 Plumstead Common, SE18 - Thu 23 (7.30) Bromley Social and Pub Crawl. Start JOLLY WOODMAN, Chancery Lane, Beckenham - Thu 30 (8.00) Social. DOG & BELL, 116 Prince Street, SE8.

SOUTH WEST ESSEX: Thu 2 (8.30) Social & Memorabilia Auction. FOXHOUND, 18 High Road (B188) Orsett - Wed 8 (8.30) Branch Meeting. WHITE BEAR, London Road (A113), Little End - Tue 14 (8.00) Herts Essex Borders/S W Essex Games Match. THREE HORSESHOES, West Road, Sawbridgeworth - Thu 23 to Sat 25 (11.00-3.30 & 5.00-11.00) Colchester Beer Festival. Colchester Institute, Sheepen Road, Colchester - Mon 27 (8.30) Social. VICTORIA, 122 Victoria Road, Romford.

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SOUTH WEST LONDON: Wed 8 (8.00) Pub of the Year Presentation. NIGHTINGALE, Nightingale Lane, Balham, SW12 (Presentation at 9.00) - Tue 28 (8.00) Open Branch Committee Meeting followed by Social (at 9.00). OLD SERGEANT, 104 Garratt Lane, SW18 - Fri 8 May (8.00) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. SPREAD EAGLE, 71 Wandsworth High Street, SW18.

WATFORD & DISTRICT: Fri 3 (8.30) Watford & District Branch Ten year Celebration. West Herts Sports Club - Wed 8 (8.30) Oxhey Social. HAPPY HOUR then VICTORIA (9.45) - Mon 13 Herts Liaison Meeting. West Herts Sports Club - Sun 26 (8.30) Committee Meeting, all welcome. West Herts Sports Club - Tue 28 (8.30) Mill End Social. HAPPY MAN then TREE (9.15); WHIP & COLLAR (10.00).

WEST LONDON: Thu 16 (8.00) Branch meeting. BEEHIVE, Homer Street, W1 - Wed 8 (8.00) Social. DUKE OF YORK, Harrowby Street, W1 then DEVONSHIRE ARMS (8.45), 7 Duke Street; ANGEL (9.30), 37 Thayer Street; LAMB & FLAG (10.15), 24 James Street - Thu 14 May (8.00) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. WHITE HORSE, 1 Parsons Green, SW6.

WEST MIDDLESEX: Thu 2 (8.30) Social and London Drinker Pick-up. SCOTSMAN, Scots Road, Southall - Tue 7 (8.30) Social. LITTEN FREE HOUSE, Oldfield Lane South, Greenford - Wed 15 (8.30) Branch Meeting. TURKS HEAD, Harlington Road, Hillingdon - Sat 25 (4.00) Joint Social with Slough Windsor & Maidenhead Branch. TAP & SPILE, Terminal 1, Heathrow then BULSTRODE (7.00), Lampton Road, Hounslow (next to Hounslow Central tube) - Thu 30 (2.15) Morlands Brewery Trip, Oxford. Phone Branch Contact for details.

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- 06.45 Meet London Waterloo (International Concourse
- 07.00 Train to Brussels (direct, via Channel Tunnel);
- 10.30 Arrive Brussels Zuid; change for Antwerpen Centraal;
- 11.30 Lunchtime drinks in Antwerpen (details to be finalised);
- 16.00 Train from Antwerpen Centraal to Brussels Centraal;
- 17.00 Cafe Mort Subite, Brussels (other cafes to be arranged);

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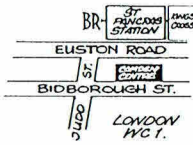
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FROM OUR ARCHIVES

TEN YEARS AGO the April 1982 edition of London Drinker consisted of 24 pages including a pink cover. Gremlins were once again bugging the Crossword department as the December entries had still not re-appeared, and there were no entries for the March crossword as a clue had been mis-printed. No crossword appeared in this edition - due to lack of space, but "We hope to do so from May onwards when our proof-checking should be improved".

As I recall, when I first joined the Editorial Team a year later the scripts were sent to the printer, and the finished items delivered without a chance to proof-read, sometimes with disastrous results. That remained the case for a further year.

An advert for the 1982 Good Beer Guide contained the phrase "6,000 of the best pubs in the UK" and gave the price as £3.95. Mentioning prices, those quoted in the Bargain Beers column included Ind Coope Burton Bitter for 55p a pint and Burton Ale for 60p, Shepherd Neame bitter for 54p and Charrington IPA for 51p.

FIVE YEARS AGO the April 1987 edition used red as its colour theme - the "Masthead" (title) appeared as pink on a black "Tombstone", surmounting a cover panel in the form of a newsvendor's placard with the headline "EEC BANS PURE BEER LAW". The text itself was typed - on the same machine as is being used to prepare this piece (looked like it! - Ed) - and referred to the German Rheinheitsgebot, or Pure Beer Law. It was set at the last moment as

a STOP PRESS, and referred to an article inside the 32 page magazine, prepared before the news broke, discussing additives in beers. In the Editorial, Andy Pirson gave a worker's eye view of the Wimbledon Beer Festival. An alternative angle from a customer was contributed by Derek Edwards. Both were in favour despite misgivings.

Merton produced a spurious explanation for the spire of Salisbury Cathedral leaning off-centre - the reason involved beer, but attention was rightly drawn to the publication date. A two-yearly review of pubs in Real Beer in London revealed that in that period - up to December 1986 - 2.5% of the 5440 pubs listed had switched to real ale, giving a total of 4016, or 74%. Courage had a 6% rise (the greatest for the big brewers), Fullers 16%.

Borrowing from a sister publication, the season was celebrated with a review of pubs in TV and radio programmes, and a book review - of "The Lager Cookbook" - was in a similar vein. On a more serious note, Eatender treated readers to a crawl entitled LIMEHOUSE B(L)OOZE, and Dick Ebohen contributed a learned piece on Belgian beers.

Three writers of Letters to the Editors were displeased that a previous Editorial had suggested that returning slops to a cask could spread AIDS. So maybe it doesn't, who knows? It should be a capital offence anyway!

More old, and maybe still topical items next time.

Martin Smith

A DOG'S LIFE AT BATTERSEA

Battersea Dog's Home felt the benefit of an exceptionally popular Battersea Beer Festival recently when real ale drinkers raised £500 for the capital's best known animal refuge.

Our picture shows dog handlers Ann O'Brien (left) and Kathy Ball helping to launch the appeal, along with CAMRA's Ted Higgins, who made the first donation.

A report on the festival is on page 16.



WHITEHALL WOMEN ARE DRINKING MORE

Women in white-collar jobs are increasing their consumption of alcohol faster than their male colleagues, a study among Home Office civil servants has found.

Although women have not joined men as persistent heavy drinkers, they are almost equal in terms of moderate alcohol consumption, say the researchers.

Doctors from the Institute of Psychiatry and the Civil Service Medical Advisory Service, took drinking histories, together with blood tests, to confirm these, from a group of 184 direct-entrant executive officers, the main Civil Service administrative grade, in 1980. They repeated the exercise with 75 of the original group in 1986, trying to assess whether alcohol consumption played a role in promotion prospects and sickness absence.

Publishing their findings in the British Journal of Addiction, the researchers say that a third of women drank the same amount as before, a third drank more and a third drank less.

Among men, 37.5 per cent remained the same, 23 per cent increased their drinking, and 39.5 per cent decreased it.

Eight per cent of women were heavy drinkers - more than 20 units of alcohol a week - in 1980, but none were in 1986. The figures for men were 45 per cent and 22 per cent.

A unit of alcohol is half a pint of standard strength beer, a glass of wine or a single

measure of spirits.

"There was little sex difference in the movement of those drinking 10-19 units a week in 1980; 43 per cent of women and 44 per cent of men maintained or increased their consumption in 1986," says the report.

The researchers found that marital status was one of the best indicators of how much people were drinking.

In 1980, average reported consumption among married men was 16 units and for married women eight; for single people the figures were 24 and 12. Divorced men drank 76 units. There were no divorced women in the 1980 sample.

The researchers say that the general trend of men drinking less and women drinking more, is worrying because women are far more vulnerable to the medical ill-effects of alcohol than men.

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19.45 Train from Brussels Centraal to Brussels Zuid;

20.00 Train from Brussels Zuid;

23.30 Arrive London Waterloo

The above times are approximate; exact times will be issued during September 1994. In the event that this trip has to be postponed, everyone who has expressed an interest will be notified of the revised date. Exact details of the Biercafes to be visited will be arranged nearer the time.

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Coach and Horses, 27 High St
White Hart, The Terrace, Riverside
- BATTERSEA, SW11**
Castle, 115 Battersea High St
Duke of Cambridge, 228 Battersea Bridge Rd
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Plough, Croydon Rd
- BETCHWORTH, Surrey**
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Lamb, 94 Lamb's Conduit St
Three Cups, 21-22 Sandland St
- BOROUGH, SE1**
Bunch of Grapes, 2 St Thomas St
- BOW, E3**
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- BRISTOL**
Hope and Anchor, 123 Acree Lane, SW2
Trinity Arms, 45 Trinity Gardens, SW9
- CARSHALTON, Surrey**
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- CATFORD, SE6**
Catford Ram, 9 Winslade Way
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Chelsea Ram, Burnaby St, SW10
Coopers' Arms, 87 Flood St, SW3
King's Arms, 190 Fulham Rd, SW10
- CHERTSEY, Surrey**
Crown, London St
- CHISLEHURST, Kent**
Bulls Head, Royal Parade
- CHISWICK, W4**
Crown and Anchor, 374 Chiswick High Rd
- CITY OF LONDON**
Chapman's, the Wine Lodge, 145 Fenchurch St, EC3
City Retreat, 74 Shoe Lane, EC4
Dirty Dick's, 202 Bishopsgate, EC2
East India Arms, 67 Fenchurch St, EC3
Elephant, 119 Fenchurch St, EC3
Lamb Tavern, Leadenhall Market, EC3
Master Gummer, Cathedral Place, EC4
Three Lords, The Minories, EC3
- CLAPHAM COMMON, SW4**
Windmill, South Side
- CLAPHAM JUNCTION, SW11**
Plough, 89 St John's Hill
- CLAPHAM, E5**
Prince of Wales, 146 Lea Bridge Rd
- CLAYGATE, Surrey**
Foley Arms, Foley Rd
- CLEGGHURST, EC1**
London Spa, 70 Esmouth Market
Sektorde Arms, 34 Sektorde St
- COVENT GARDEN, WC2**
Marquess of Anglessey, 39 Bow St
- CROYDON, Surrey**
Dog and Bull, 24 Surrey St
Gloaster, 111 White Horse Rd
Tamworth Arms, 62 Tamworth Rd
- DARTFORD, Kent**
Maid Shovel, 3 Darent Rd
- DORKING, Surrey**
Old House at Home, 24 West St
- DULWICH, SE26**
Dulwich Wood House, 39 Sydenham Hill
- EAST DULWICH, SE22**
Clock House, 196a Peckham Rye
- EAST SHEEN, SW14**
Hare and Hounds, 216 Upper Richmond Rd West
- EPPINGHAM, Surrey**
Plough, Oreston Lane
- EPSOM, Surrey**
King's Arms, 144 East St
- ESHER, Surrey**
Bear, 71 High St
- ETON WICK, Berkshire**
Pickwick, 32 Eton Wick Rd
- ETZBOVIA, W1**
One Tun, 58 Goodge St
- FULHAM, SW6**
Duke of Cambridge, 235 New King's Rd
- GREENFORD, Middlesex**
Bridge Hotel, Western Avenue
- GREENWICH, SE10**
Green I, 52-54 Royal Hill
- HAMMERSMITH, W6**
Brook Green, 170 Shepherd's Bush Rd
Bulldog, 81 King St
Tutched House, 115 Dalling Rd
- HAMPSTEAD, NW3**
Plank, 14 Plank Walk
- Horse and Groom, 68 Heath St**
- HARLESSEN, NW10**
Grand Junction Arms, Acton Lane
- ISLEWORTH, Middlesex**
Castle, 18 Upper Square
- COACH AND HORSES, 183 London Rd**
- ISLINGTON, N1**
Marquess Tavern, 32 Canonbury St
- KENSINGTON**
Britannia, 1 Allen St, W8
Britannia Tap, 150 Warwick Rd, W14
- Kew, Surrey**
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Albert Arms, 57 Kingston Hill, Norbiton
Bishop Out of Residence, 2 Bishop's Hall, off Thames St
Grey Horse, 46 Richmond Rd
Spring Grove, 13 Bloomfield Rd
- LAMBETH, SW8**
Plough, 518 Wandsworth Rd
Prince of Wales, 99 Union Rd
Surprise, 16 Southville
- LEE, SE12**
Crown, 117 Burnt Ash Hill
- LOUGHBOROUGH JUNCTION, SE5**
Wickwood Tavern, 58 Flaxman Rd
- MARYLEBONE, W1**
Black Horse, 109 Marylebone High St
Wargrave Arms, 42 Brendon St
- MAYFAIR, W1**
Guinea, 30 Bruton Place
Windmill, 6-8 Mill St
- MERTON, SW19**
King's Head, 18 High St
Prince of Wales, 98 Morden Rd
- MITCHAM, Surrey**
Bull, 32 Church Rd
Cricketers, 340 London Rd
King's Arms, 260 London Rd
- MORTLAKE, SW14**
Charlie Butler, 40 High St
Jolly Gardeners, 36 Lower Richmond Rd
- NORWOOD**
Hope, 49 High St, SE27
Railway Bell, 14 Cawnpore St, SE19
- NOTTING HILL, W11**
Duke of Wellington, 179 Portobello Rd
Hoop, 83-85 Notting Hill Gate
- OXFORD**
King's Arms, 40 Holywell St
- OSHEROTT, Surrey**
Bear, Leatherhead Rd
- PIMLICO, SW1**
Morpeth Arms, 58 Millbank
Rising Sun, 46 Ebury Bridge Rd
Royal Oak, 1 Regency St
- PLUMPTON GREEN, East Sussex**
Fountain Station Rd
- PUTNEY, SW15**
Castle, 220 Putney Bridge Rd
Duke's Head, 8 Lower Richmond Rd
Green Man, Putney Heath
Half Moon, 93 Lower Richmond Rd
Spotted Horse, 122 Putney High St
- REDHILL, Surrey**
Home Cottage, Redstone Hill
- REGENT'S PARK, NW1**
Queens, 49 Regent's Park Rd
Spread Eagle, 141 Albert St
- RICHMOND-UPON-THAMES, Surrey**
Fox and Goose, 327 Petersham Rd, Ham
Mitre, 20 St Mary's Grove
Old Ship, 3 King St
Orange Tree, 45 Kew Rd
Red Cow, 59 Sheen Rd
Shobshobry Arms, 123 Kew Rd
Shakespeare, Lower Richmond Rd
Waterman's Arms, 12 Water Lane
White Cross, Riverside
- ROEHAMPTON, SW15**
Angel, 11 High St
Milkstone Cat, Aubyn Square
- ROTHERHEATH, SE16**
Ship, 38-47 St. Marychurch St
- SHEPHE, Surrey**
Prince of Wales, Sherre Lane
- SOUTHWARK, SE1**
Founders' Arms, Bankside, 52 Hopton St
Prince William Henry, 217 Blackfriars Rd
- STEPNEY**
Halshead, 7-9 Esmouth St, E1
Queen's Head, 8 Flamborough St, E14
- STREATHAM, SW16**
Bedford Park, 223 Streatham High Rd
Pied Bull, 498 Streatham High Rd
- SURBITON, Surrey**
Black Lion, 58 Brighton Rd
Victoria, 28 Victoria Rd
Waggon and Horses, 1 Surbiton Hill Rd
- SUTTON, Surrey**
Lord Nelson, 32 Lower Rd
New Town, 7 Lind Rd
Robin Hood, 52 West St
- SYDENHAM, SE26**
Bricklayers' Arms, 189 Dartmouth Rd
- TELDONINGTON, Middlesex**
Abercorn Arms, 76 Church Rd
Queen Dowager, 49 North Lane
- THORNTON HEATH, Surrey**
Fountain Head, 114 Parchmore Rd
Lord Napier, 111 Beulah Rd
Railway Telegraph, 19 Bristock Rd
- TOOTING, SW17**
Castle, 38 High St
Corringe Park, 29 London Rd
Leather Bottle, 538 Garratt Lane
Prince of Wales, 646 Garratt Lane
- TWICKENHAM, Middlesex**
Old Anchor, 71 Richmond Rd
Pope's Grotto, Cress Deep
- WALTON-ON-THAMES, Surrey**
Royal George, 130 Hersharn Rd
Swan, 50 Manor Rd
- WALTON-ON-THE-HILL, Surrey**
Chequers, Chequers Lane
- WALLINGTON, Surrey**
Duke's Head, 6 Manor Rd
- WANDSWORTH, SW18**
Alma, 499 York Rd
Brewery Tap, 68 Wandsworth High St
County Arms, 345 Trinity Rd
Crane, 14 Armoury Way
Gardeners' Arms, 268 Merton Rd
Grapes, 39 Fairfield St
Halfway House, 521 Garratt Lane
King's Arms, 96 Wandsworth High St
Old Sergeant, 104 Garratt Lane
Pig and Whistle, 481 Merton Rd
Queen Adelaide, 35 Putney Bridge Rd
Ship, 41 Jew's Row
Spread Eagle, 17 Wandsworth High St
Two Brewers, 147 East Hill
Wheatheaf, 30 Putney Bridge Rd
- WESTMINSTER, SW1**
Buckingham Arms, 62 Petty France
- WIMBLEDON, SW19**
Alexandria, 33 Wimbledon Hill Rd
Crooked Billet, 15 Crooked Billet
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Hand in Hand, 6 Crooked Billet
Rose and Crown, 55 High St

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BEER BRIEFING

LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 70

This month we welcome Fuller's latest acquisition in the City, EC3, and two more Wetherspoon Free Houses in NW3, Hampstead and Wealdstone. Five Wetherspoon pubs have been sold to the Devenish owned Inn Leisure group who are, however, continuing with a bargain beer policy at £1 a pint. Five more Wiltshire Brewery, ex-Charrington pubs have been discovered in E8, Hackney and N1, Hoxton.

The numbers in brackets after each entry refer to the page number in the following guides: E - East London & City Beer Guide, 3rd edition; N - North London Beer Guide, 2nd edition; SE - South East London Pub Guide, 3rd edition; SW - Real Beer in South West London; W - Real Beer in West London; X - Essex Beer Guide, 8th edition. U refers to earlier updates. ♦ Indicates a guest beer.

Following publication of the new East London & City guide, a number of omissions and errors have come to light. These are listed after the regular updates at the end of the listings, and the ELAC guide should be updated accordingly. The guide can be obtained from Keith Emmerson, 111 Ordell Road, Bow, London E3 2EQ; cheques for £2.50 (incl. p&p) payable to CAMRA ELAC please.

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

NEW & REOPENED PUBS & PUBS CONVERTED TO REAL ALE

EAST

E17, BENTLEYS, 300 Hoe Street. No real ale. Free House in former commercial premises. (Already in E guide, omitted in error from U68. Subsequently renamed BOOGGIES - see U69)

NORTH

N1, ADMIRAL KEPPEL, 232 Hoxton Street. Wiltshire: Stonehenge Best Bitter. Now a Wiltshire Brewery pub, ex-Charrington. Beers now brewed at former Premier brewery premises in Stourbridge, West Midlands. (N45)

N1, PRINCESS ALICE, 13 Murray Grove. Wiltshire: Stonehenge Best Bitter. Now a Wiltshire Brewery pub, ex-Charrington. (N46)

N1, SOUTHGATE ARMS, 1 Southgate Road. Renamed ONE'S (THE). Courage: Directors Bitter. Young: Special. Now a Free House, ex-Courage. (N46)

NORTH WEST

NW3, OLD ORLEANS, 64 Heath Street. No real ale. A Free House/bar & restaurant.

NW5, NEWBERRY ARMS, 40 Malden Road. Wells: Eagle Bitter. Note correct spelling of title. (N146, U65)

WEALDSTONE, SARSEN STONE, 32 High Street. Greene King: IPA, Abbot Ale. Marston: Pedigree. Theakston: XB. Younger: Scotch Bitter. Guest Beer. Latest Wetherspoon Free House in former newspaper shop premises. Furnished in typical Wetherspoon style, the pub goes back a long way behind deceptively narrow frontage. Open all licensed hours, food available until 10pm.

SOUTH WEST

SW13, OLD RANGOON, Castlenau. Reverted to previous name BOILEAU ARMS. Bass. Courage: Best Bitter, Directors Bitter. John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. Converted to Harvester but with proper pub area (including bar billiards). (SW43, U54)

PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE

NORTH

N1, DUNSTAN ARMS. Charrington, demolished. (N31)

N1, ROSEMARY BRANCH. Free House, closed, future uncertain. (N41)

SOUTH WEST

SW14, LORD NAPIER. Watney, closed, to let. (SW45, U52)

WEST

W2, HERO OF MAIDA. Benskins, closed &

converted to offices, as yet unlet. (W59)
W2, JOOLS. Watney (fizz), closed & converted to building society office. (W59)

W11, NORLAND ARMS. Taylor Walker, closed & converted to offices. The sad loss of a good 'local'.

OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES

CENTRAL

EC1, SMITHFIELD TAVERN. No longer uses early morning licence. Opens 11 am. (E24)

EC3, SWAN. - Beers listed. + Fuller: Chiswick Bitter, London Pride, ESB. Tiny narrow pub off alleyway between office blocks, acquired by Fullers from Whitbread and extensively refurbished in traditional style. Rolls and sandwiches only. Good stand-up boozier. Smart dress only, no jeans policy. Open 11-9.30 Mon - Fri, 11-3 Sat, closed Saturday evening & all day Sunday. (E43)

EAST

E1, YORKSHIRE GREY. - Beers listed.

+ Fuller: Mr. Harry. + Greene King: Abbot Ale. + Sam Smith: Museum Ale. + Tetley: Bitter. + Wadworth: 6X. + Sepham Farm Cider (G). (E76)

E8, GRANGE TAVERN. Acquired by Wiltshire Brewery, ex-Charrington, still fizz. (E113)

E8, MARION ARMS. + Wiltshire: Stonehenge Best Bitter. Now a Wiltshire Brewery pub, ex-Charrington. (E114)

E8, MIDDLETON ARMS. Acquired by Wiltshire Brewery, ex-Charrington, still fizz. (E114)

E15, QUEEN VIC. Is now a Free House, ex-Charrington, still fizz. (E151, U69)

E17, COLLEGE ARMS. - Beers listed except Greene King Abbot Ale. + Flowers: Original Bitter. + Greene King: IPA. + Marston: Pedigree. + Varying beer at £1 per pint, currently Whitbread: Best Bitter. Free House acquired by Devenish Inn Leisure group from Wetherspoons. (E166)
DAGENHAM, EASTBROOK HOTEL. - Courage; Directors Bitter. + Courage: Best Bitter. + Felinfoel: Fothergills Ale. + Guest beer changed every 2 months, currently Worthington: Best Bitter. (X40)

DAGENHAM, FARMHOUSE TAVERN. + Felinfoel: Fothergills Ale. (X40, U69)

NORTH

SIR WALTER RALEIGH. Renamed RALEIGHS.

- Beers listed in update except Tetley Bitter. + Greene King: IPA. + Ind Coope: Burton Ale. Formerly a Nicholson 'Free House' now badged as a Taylor Walker pub (N40, U41)

POLITICAL SUICIDE?

I am aware that this is the April issue, but from the outset let me assure you that this offering is in deadly earnest, and if you can follow my train of thought, I will eventually get to a point of vital interest to us beer drinkers.

Every so often one or other political party seems hell-bent on destruction by making itself unpopular, and many are the politicians whose indiscretions, either verbal or in lifestyle behaviour, do great damage to their own career and possibly also party. I'm not just thinking about causing panic over eggs, or giving cause for allegations of underhanded affairs with a member of the same, or opposite gender. Those often blow over without too much trouble except to the person concerned, who in the long run rarely suffers. However, have you noticed how the major parties tend to drop a large brick at a time of crisis? As I write a great deal is being said about "dirty tricks" with an election impending. But I run ahead of myself.

No, I'm not advocating casting one's vote for a particular ideology and that would be out of place here, unless there were a Free Beer Party, which would have me in the forefront as a candidate. Indeed, I was once introduced to an audience as being from the Campaign for Free Ale. But from our own specialist angle, every party has at one time or other done us harm. In 1916 a teetotal Liberal prime minister introduced the Defence of the Realm Act, supposedly a temporary arrangement for the duration of the First World War, drastically curtailing permitted pub hours - this was only partly remedied (and never repealed) by the Licensing Act of 1988 - 68 years later. During the last War a Coalition government outlawed "treating" - i.e. buying a round in the pub, in fact a means of stopping a drinker buying several pints for his own consumption. Another "temporary" wartime move, introduced in 1799, and still a source of chagrin to all of us, was a tax still with us despite various attempts over the years to scrap it was Income Tax, brought in by a Whig (Liberal) government led by William Pitt. Bringing us almost up to date, and arguably more unpopular, was the Poll Tax brought in by the present government. That in itself would, to my mind, lead to its fall at the next Election, were it not for the fact that the Labour Party

now seems to intend to push up taxation on alcohol even higher than its already scandalous and punitive level. The lead article of weekly Licensed trade paper The Publican for 17th February bore the headline "Labour's secret tax threat to alcohol". Now I know that publications belongs to an industry which largely supports the Conservative party, but I presume it has got its facts right as Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition (a contradiction in terms to my mind, whoever is in office) does not appear to have denied the allegations. The first paragraph of the article reads "*Labour plans to cut alcohol consumption if it wins the next election. And it is likely these cuts will be fuelled by huge tax increases on alcohol.*" That party - presumably a spokesperson thereof - is quoted as saying "*Taxation would be a consideration (for cutting consumption) and we would be putting forward a case for health promotion to the Chancellor for consideration in his Budget*", in other words to get it through without reference to the Electorate as the idea has not been published in official policy documents. CAMRA's view, in the words of campaigns manager Stephen Cox, is quoted and I doubt if many of us would disagree: "*We do not think tax rises above inflation are justified. If a political party wants to be Government of this country it has a duty to say if it has plans to put up beer prices. Why should people drinking healthy amounts of alcohol be penalised? Taxation is an indiscriminate weapon. People with drinking problems will buy it anyway.*" An indication that, if this report is true, it has already done enough harm. In one pub I know in a constituency which has been staunchly Labour for many years, a copy of the article is pinned to a notice board. It includes a photograph of the aspiring next Prime Minister with the caption "*Kinnock: tax threat on booze?*" But it has been burned away with cigarette ends. In the words of the landlord: "If they had a copy of that in every pub they'd never get in". OK, the principle of democracy is freedom of speech. Should I meet my local candidate I propose to ask for a clear statement on policy before deciding where to place my X. I suggest you do likewise.

Martin Smith

BEER BRIEFING

LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 70 Continued

N4, MORTIMER ARMS. - Beers listed except Marston Pedigree. + Greene King: IPA, Abbot Ale. + Varying cheap beer at £1 per pint, currently Whitbread: Best Bitter. Free House acquired by Devenish Inn Leisure group from Wetherspoons. (N52)
N7, PRINCE ARTHUR, Renamed TIRCONAILL BAR. Now a Free House, ex-Charrington. (N69)
N15, GOAT. - Beers listed except Marston Pedigree. + Flowers: Original Bitter. + Greene King: IPA, Abbot Ale. + Varying cheap beer at £1 per pint, currently Courage Best Bitter. Former Wetherspoon Free House acquired by Devenish Inn Leisure group. (N87)
N17, BOAR. Renamed NEW MOON. - Wadworth: 6X. - Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + Greene King: IPA. + Theakston: XB. + Younger: Scotch Bitter. Remains with Wetherspoons. (N96)
N19, J J MOONS. - Beers listed except Greene King IPA and Marston Pedigree. + Flowers: IPA. + Greene King: Abbot Ale. + Varying cheap beer at £1 per pint, currently Whitbread: Best Bitter. Another Wetherspoon Free House sold to the Devenish Inn Leisure group. (N102)
N22, MOON UNDER WATER. - Wadworth: 6X. - Younger: Scotch Bitter. + Greene King: IPA. + Whitbread: Castle Eden Ale. + Varying cheap beer at £1 per pint, currently Courage: Best Bitter. Ex-Wetherspoon Free House sold to Devenish Inn Leisure group. (U36)

NORTH WEST

NW3, THREE HORSESHOES. - Beers listed. + Greene King: IPA, Abbot Ale. + Marston: Pedigree. + Theakston: XB. + Younger: Scotch Bitter. + Guest beer. Former Truman pub acquired by the Wetherspoon Free House chain. Refurbished in typical house style. Food available at most times. Open all licensed hours. (N139)

SOUTH EAST

BROMLEY, ANGLESEY ARMS. + Courage: Directors Bitter. (SE216)
BROMLEY, RAILWAY HOTEL. - Young: Bitter. (SE219, U44)
BROMLEY, ROYAL BELL. - Courage: Directors Bitter. - John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. + Flowers: IPA. + Greene King: Abbot Ale. + Rayments: Special. Beers vary. (SE220, U58)
BROMLEY, STAR & GARTER. - Young: Bitter. + Young: Special. (SE220, U44)
BROMLEY, THREE COMPASSES. - Ind Coope: Burton Ale. + Tetley: Bitter. (SE220)

SOUTH WEST

SW6, ADELAIDE. + Young: Bitter. (SW27)
SW6, LORD PALMERSTON. + Bass + Stones: Best Bitter. + Worthington: Best Bitter. (SW29)
SW6, NORMAN ARMS. - Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + Fuller: London Pride. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SW29)
SW6, SALISBURY TAVERN. - Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + Greene King: IPA. (SW29, U32)
SW7, PRINCE OF WALES. Renamed SWAG & TAILS. - Watney: Stag Bitter. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SW32)
SW8, NOTTINGHAM CASTLE. - Burke: Lion Bitter. + Theakston: XB. (SW34, U51)
SW8, PAVILION. + Hall & Woodhouse: Badger Best Bitter. (SW34)

SW8, VICTORIA, 166 Queenstown Road.

- Ruddle: Best Bitter. Formerly BROWNS. (SW33, U32, U48, U52)

SW9, RAILWAY HOTEL. + Charrington: IPA. (99p a pint). (SW37)

SW11, CEDARS. - Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (SW39, U68)

SW11, CORNET. - Courage: Best Bitter. - John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. + Brakspear: Bitter. (SW39)

SW11, CROWN. - Truman: Best Bitter. + Flowers: Original Bitter. (SW39, U39)

SW11, FALCON. - Worthington: Best Bitter. + guest Beers (2 or 3). (SW39, U61, U67)

SW11, PRINCE OF WALES, 151 St. Johns Hill. Renamed PRINCES PUZZLE. - Charrington: IPA. + Adnams: Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter.

+ Theakston: XB. + Wadworth: 6X. Now a Free House, ex-Charrington. (SW45, U52)

SW14, QUEENS ARMS. - Tetley: Bitter.

+ Fuller: London Pride. (SW45, U63)

SW14, SPUR. - Ruddle: Best Bitter.

+ Fuller: London Pride. (SW45, U61)

SW15, HALF MOON. - Young: Winter Warmer. (SW46)

SW15, WHITE LION. - Fuller: London Pride.

- Ward: Sheffield Bitter. + Nethergate:

IPA. + Wadworth: 6X. + Young: Winter Warmer. (SW48, U51, U56, U62, U66)

SW19, BREWERY TAP. - Flowers: Original Bitter. + Boddington: Bitter. + Wadworth:

6X. (SW54, U40, U55, U60)

SW19, SWAN. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SW56, U28)

WORCESTER PARK, PLOUGH. - Courage: Directors Bitter. - John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. - Young: Special. + Bass. Now a

"Harvester". (SW78)

WEST

W2, KINGS ARMS. + Fuller: London Pride. (W9)

W2, OLD ENGLISH GENTLEMAN. + Young:

Bitter. (W62)

W8, ELEPHANT & CASTLE. + Fuller: London Pride. (W82)

W11, ACADEMY. + Fuller: London Pride. (W87)

W14, COLTON ARMS. + Fuller: London Pride. (W94)

W14, OLD PARRS HEAD. + Stones: Best Bitter. (W95, U68)

HAMPTON COURT, KINGS ARMS. - Adnams Beers. - Everard: Old Original. - Ridley:

PA. - Shepherd Neame: Bitter. + Gribble

Ale. + Hall & Woodhouse: Hard Tackle.

+ Mauldons: Black Adder. + Wells: Eagle

Bitter. (W104, U66)

HOUNSLOW, JOLLY FARMER. - Wadworth: 6X.

- Young: Special. + Fuller: London Pride.

+ Ruddle: Best Bitter. (W125, U55, U58,

U65)

RUISLIP, WHITE BEAR. + Courage: Best

Bitter. + Fuller: London Pride. (W138)

RUISLIP, WINDMILL. - Beers listed except

Bass. + Fuller: London Pride.

+ Worthington: Best Bitter. + Young:

Special. (W138, U50)

CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 67

NEW & REOPENED PUBS ETC.

W1 (S), SOHO TAVERN. Former name was

ROUNDHOUSE.

OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES

SW17, KINGS HEAD. Already listed in SW

Guide.

BEER BRIEFING

LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 70 Continued

CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 68

NEW & REOPENED PUBS ETC.
EC3, JAMAICA WINE HOUSE.
EC3, SIMPSON'S TAVERN. Address should be 38½ Cornhill
EC4, BLUE ANCHOR.
E2, KINGS HERO. Should read **KINGS HEAD**.
E17, KILKENNY CASTLE. Is in E16.
PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE
E1, OLD TWO BREWERS. Already recorded in U67.
E2, **GREEN GATE**.
E14, WHITE LION. Should read **WHITE SWAN**.
OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES
E13, PINKIES. Renamed **MANHATTENS**.

CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 69

NEW & REOPENED PUBS ETC.
EC4, SPATZ. Add reference (E54)
OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES
W1 (F), WHEATSHEAF. Add reference (U50).
HAREFIELD, KINGS HEAD. Pub name omitted in error.

EAST LONDON & CITY BEER GUIDE, 3RD EDITION - CORRECTIONS

Following publication of the new East London & City Beer Guide a number of omissions and errors have come to light. A number of new pubs and changes reported in recent updates did not find their way into the guide since they were received after its publication deadline. In addition there are a few omissions and errors. In order to bring the guide up to date, the relevant entries in Beer Guide Update No. 69 (published last month) and those in the listings above should be included together with the amendments set out below. For details refer to the relevant updates published in previous Drinkers as indicated.

NEW PUBS

EC1, BLUE ANGEL. (U65)
EC1, MORGAN'S DINER/OCEANS. 55-63 Goswell Road. Free House, H removed, no real ale. Omitted from guide. (U44, U54)
EC2, ARBITRAGER, 27A Throgmorton Street. Free House, no real ale. Basement "Traders Bar". (U56 - incorrectly reported, there being no connection with Throgmorton Restaurant next door)
EC2, CITY HOUSE. (U67)
EC2, HAMILTON HALL. (U68)
EC2, SIR PAUL PINDAR. (U66)
EC3, BRITANNIA, Gartmore House, Monument Street. Bass. Charrington: IPA. Charrington basement bar in office development replacing former pub in Fish Street Hill. Closed Sat evening and all Sunday. Opened Sept 1987, omitted in error. (U34)
EC4, BLUE ANCHOR. (U68)

OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES

EC1, HAND & SHEARS. (E17, U67)
EC1, LONDON SPA. (E19, U67)
EC1, OLD RED LION. (E21, U67)
EC1, SMITHFIELDS FREE HOUSE. Formerly SMITHFIELDS PAST & PRESENT. (E24, U66)
EC2, DIRTY DICKS. (E31, U67)
EC2, FOX. (E31, U66)
EC2, WHITE HART, 121 Bishopsgate. (E36, U64, U67)
EC2, WHITE HART, 24 Clifton Street. (E36, U66)
EC3, ELEPHANT. (E40, U67)
EC3, SHIP & TURTLE. (E42, U64)

EC3, WALRUS & CARPENTER. (E43, U67)
EC4, CITY RETREAT. (E47, U67)
EC4, MAGPIE & STUMP. (E50, U66)
EC4, MASTER GUNNER. (E51, U67)
E1, JOLLY SAILOR. (E68, U65)
E1, SEVEN STARS. (E73, U67)
E2, GREEN MAN. (E81, U66)
E2, OLD KING JOHN'S HEAD. (E83, U65)
E3, LITTLE DRIVER. (E90, U67)
E8, KINGS ARMS. (E113, U65)
E8, RAILWAY TAVERN. (E115, U65)
E8, VILLAGE (AT DALSTON). (E117, U67)
E10, HARE & HOUNDS. (E125, U67)
E15, KING EDWARD VII. (E153, U63)
E15, PIGEONS HOTEL. (E154, U63)
E17, LORD BROOKE. (E167, U67)
E17, VILLAGE. (E169, U67)
E18, RAILWAY BELL. (E171, U67)
E18, WHITE HART. (E171, U67)

CORRECTIONS

EC1, CASTLE. Address is 34/5 Cowcross Street.
EC1, MITRE TAVERN (YE OLDE). Is a Taylor Walker signed pub, although retaining Friary Meux Best Bitter.
EC2, CROWDERS WELL. Address is 185 Fore Street.
EC2, PENNY BLACK. Address is 45 Moorfields.
EC2, THROGMORTON RESTAURANT. Address is 27B Throgmorton Street. It has three restaurants and five bars. Open Mon-Fri only 11am - 9pm.
EC3, CITY OF LONDON YEOMAN. Address is 2 London Street.
EC3, SIMPSON'S TAVERN. Address is 38½ Cornhill.
EC4, BAYNARD CASTLE. Should read **BAYNARDS CASTLE**.
EC4, BENTLEYS. Map reference should read (A1/6).
EC4, ST BRIDES TAVERN. Address is 1 Bridewell Place
E1, HOLLANDS. Official address is 7-9 Exmouth Street.
E1, MERCERS ARMS. Address is 34 Belgrave Street.
E2, CHILTONS (ex BRITANNIA). Is a Belhaven pub.
E2, DOVER CASTLE. Is a Belhaven pub.
E2, FLORISTS. Should read **FLORIST (THE)**.
E2, GEORGE & DRAGON. Is a Brent Walker owned pub.
E2, SPORTSMAN. Address is 181 Whiston Road.
E2, STICK OF ROCK. Is a Belhaven pub.
E3, PRIORY TAVERN. Address is 37 St Leonards Street.
E3, WENTWORTH ARMS. Address is 127 Eric Street.
E3, WHITETHORN. Is a Belhaven pub.
E5, SHAMPS. Is a Belhaven pub.
E6, SPIRIT BAR. Should read **SPIRITS BAR**.
E7, EAGLE & CHILD. Is an Ind Coope Taylor Walker badged pub.
E7, TRAVELLERS REST. Should read simply **TRAVELLERS**.
E8, KINGSLAND. Was formerly the **BULL INN**, not **YOUNG PRINCE**.
E9, BRIDGE HOUSE. Is **BRIDGE HOUSE TAVERN**.
E9, EAGLE. Address is 103 Wick Road.
E11, KIRKDALES WINE BAR. Address is 25 Kirkdale
E13, MANHATTENS. Is a Free House.
E14, QUEENS. Should read **QUEEN (THE)**.
E14, ST LEONARDS ARMS. Is a Brent Walker owned pub.
E17, TAVERN ON THE HILL. Address is 318 Higham Hill Road.

Where to buy Continued

SW2 HOPE & ANCHOR
 SW2 J J MOONS
 SW3 COOPERS ARMS
 SW3 ROSE
 SW3 SURPRISE
 SW4 ROSE & CROWN
 SW6 DUKE OF CUMBERLANDSW6
 WHITE HORSE
 SW7 ANGLESEA ARMS
 SW8 SURPRISE
 SW8 PRIORY ARMS
 SW8 RED HOUSE
 SW10 FERRET & FIRKIN
 SW10 KINGS ARMS, 190 Fulham
 Road
 SW11 BEEHIVE
 SW11 DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE
 SW11 PLOUGH
 SW12 NIGHTINGALE
 SW12 PRINCE OF WALES
 SW14 RAILWAY TAVERN
 SW15 FOX & HOUNDS
 SW15 GREEN MAN
 SW15 JOLLY GARDENERS
 SW15 WHITE LION
 SW16 GREYHOUND
 SW16 PIED BULL
 SW17 CASTLE
 SW17 J J MOONS
 SW18 BREWERY TAP
 SW18 PIG & WHISTLE
 SW18 SPREAD EAGLE
 SW19 ALEXANDRA
 SW18 BREWERY TAP
 SW18 HALF WAY HOUSE
 SW18 OLD SERGEANT
 SW19 HAND IN HAND
 SW19 GROVE
 SW19 KINGS HEAD
 SW19 PRINCESS ROYAL
 SW19 PRINCE OF WALES,
 Morden Road
 SW19 TRAFALGAR
 SW19 WILLIAM MORRIS
 CARSHALTON, RAILWAY TAVERN
 CHESSINGTON, NORTH STAR
 KINGSTON, CANBURY ARMS
 KINGSTON, COCOANUT
 KINGSTON, DRUIDS HEAD
 KINGSTON, KELLY ARMS
 KINGSTON, NEWT & FERRET
 KINGSTON, PARK TAVERN
 KINGSTON, WYCH ELM
 MITCHAM, KINGS ARMS
 MITCHAM, RAVENSBURY ARMS
 MITCHAM, WHITE LION OF
 MORTIMER
 RICHMOND, ORANGE TREE
 RICHMOND, RED COW

RICHMOND, SHAFTESBURY ARMS
 RICHMOND, WHITE CROSS
 SURBITON, BUN SHOP
 SUTTON, NEW TOWN
 WEYBRIDGE, PRINCE OF WALES,

Oatlands Park
 W1 ARGYLL ARMS
 W1 MORTIMER ARMS
 W1 WINDMILL
 W2 ARCHERY TAVERN
 W2 ROYAL STANDARD
 W3 KINGS ARMS
 W3 KINGS HEAD
 W3 RED LION & PINEAPPLE
 W4 WINDMILL
 W5 PLOUGH
 W5 RED LION
 W5 ROSE & CROWN
 W5 WHEATSHEAF
 W6 BLACK LION
 W6 BROOK GREEN HOTEL
 W6 RICHMOND ARMS
 W6 SALUTATION
 W7 VIADUCT
 W8 UXBRIDGE ARMS
 W10 NARROW BOAT
 W10 VILLAGE INN
 W11 FROG & FIRKIN
 W12 CROWN & SCEPTRE
 W12 MOON ON THE GREEN
 W13 THE FORESTER
 W14 WARWICK ARMS
 BRENTFORD, BREWERY TAP
 BRENTFORD, LORD NELSON
 CRANFORD, QUEENS HEAD
 GREENFORD, BLACK HORSE
 HAMPTON HILL, WINDMILL
 HAMPTON COURT, KINGS ARMS
 HAMPTON WICK, WHITE HART
 HILLINGDON, RED LION
 HILLINGDON, STAR
 HOUNSLOW, CHARIOT
 HOUNSLOW, CROSS LANCES
 HOUNSLOW, EARL RUSSELL
 HOUNSLOW, HUSSAR
 HOUNSLOW, MOON UNDER WATER
 ISLEWORTH, COACH & HORSES
 SOUTHALL, BEACONSFIELD ARMS
 SOUTHALL, SCOTSMAN
 TEDDINGTON, QUEEN DOWAGER
 TWICKENHAM, ALBANY
 TWICKENHAM, EEL PIE
 TWICKENHAM, MOON UNDER
 WATER
 TWICKENHAM, POPE'S GROTT
 TWICKENHAM, PRINCE ALBERT
 WHITTON, ADMIRAL NELSON

OFF TRADE
 W11 GROGBLOSSOM

CLUBS

ISLEWORTH, Western Geophysical
 Social Club
 W1 Polytechnic of Central London
 S.U. Bar, 104 Bolsolver Street

OUTSIDE LONDON

COLCHESTER, ODD ONE OUT, 28
 Mersea Road.
 EASTBOURNE, CAVALIER, 13-15
 Carlisle Road
 LINCOLN, GOLDEN EAGLE, High
 Street
 MANCHESTER, JOLLY ANGLERS,
 Ducie Street
 MILTON KEYNES, PLOUGH,
 Simpson Village
 PETERBOROUGH, BOGART'S,
 North Street
 POTTERS BAR (Herts), CHEQUERS,
 Coopers Lane.
 SALISBURY (Wilts), WYNDHAM
 ARMS, Estcourt Road.
 STEVENAGE (Herts) RED LION,
 High Street, Old Town.
 SOUTHAMPTON, PLATFORM
 TAVERN, Town Quay
 SOUTHAMPTON, WATERLOO
 ARMS, Waterloo Road
 STOW MARIES, PRINCE OF
 WALES, Woodham Road
 SUNBURY - HARE & HOUNDS, 132
 Vicarage Road
 TEYNHAM, (Kent) SHIP INN
 Conyer Quay
 TILLINGHAM (Essex) CAP &
 FEATHERS, South Street
 WATFORD - WEST HERTS SPORTS
 CLUB
 WINCHESTER, BELL,
 St. Cross Road
 WORCESTER, BREWERY TAP &
 BREWERY, 50 Lowesmoor
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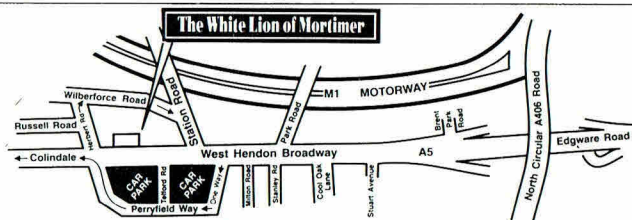
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