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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 BLUE POST  
EC1 PHEASANT & FIRKIN  
EC1 SEKFORDE ARMS  
EC1 SUTTON ARMS  
EC1 THOMAS WETHERED  
EC3 SWAN  
EC4 BANKER  
E1 LORD RODNEYS HEAD  
E1 YORKSHIRE GREY  
E2 APPROACH TAVERN  
E2 MARKSMAN  
E2 NELSON'S HEAD  
E8 LADY DIANA  
E9 FALCON & FIRKIN  
E9 ROYAL STANDARD  
E10 DRUM  
E10 TAP & SPILE  
E11 GEORGE  
E14 QUEENS HEAD  
E17 COLLEGE ARMS  
SE1 ANCHOR & HOPE  
SE1 FOUNDERS ARMS  
SE1 GOOSE & FIRKIN  
SE1 GRAPES  
SE1 HORNIMAN AT HAYS  
SE1 KINGS ARMS  
SE1 LEATHER EXCHANGE  
SE1 MARKET PORTER  
SE1 PRINCE WILLIAM HENRY  
SE1 SHIP, 68 Borough Road  
SE1 WELLINGTON TAVERN  
SE1 WHEATSHEAF  
SE3 BRITISH OAK  
SE3 HARE & BILLET  
SE3 RAILWAY TAVERN  
SE5 PHOENIX & FIRKIN  
SE6 TIGERS HEAD  
SE7 McDONNELLS  
SE8 DOG & BELL  
SE8 ROYAL GEORGE  
SE10 ADMIRAL HARDY  
SE10 ASHBURNHAM ARMS  
SE10 RICHARD I  
SE13 FOX & FIRKIN  
SE16 BLACKSMITHS ARMS  
SE16 MANOR TAVERN  
SE16 MOBY DICK  
SE18 ANGLESEA ARMS  
SE18 COOPERS ARMS  
(PLAISTED'S)  
SE18 EARL OF CHATHAM  
SE18 PRINCESS OF WALES  
SE18 ROSE'S (PRINCE ALBERT)  
SE18 VILLAGE BLACKSMITH  
SE19 RAILWAY BELL  
SE20 HOP EXCHANGE  
SE22 CRYSTAL PALACE  
TAVERN

SE23 BIRD IN HAND  
SE24 COMMERCIAL  
SE24 PRINCE REGENT  
SE25 ALLIANCE  
SE25 GOAT HOUSE  
SE26 DULWICH WOOD HOUSE  
SE27 HOPE  
ADDISCOMBE, CLARET WINE  
BAR  
BARKINGSIDE, NEW FAIRLOP  
OAK  
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  
WC2 MARQUESS OF ANGLESEY  
N1 ALWYNE CASTLE  
N1 COMPTON ARMS  
N1 CROWN  
N1 EARL OF RADNOR  
N1 FLOUNDER & FIRKIN  
N1 GEORGE & VULTURE  
N1 HEMINGFORD ARMS  
N1 KINGS HEAD, 59 Essex Road.  
N1 MALT & HOPS  
N1 MARQUESS TAVERN  
N1 MITRE, Copenhagen Street  
N1 PINT POT  
N1 PRINCE ARTHUR  
N1 RADNOR ARMS  
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 PRINCE OF WALES  
N16 ROSE & CROWN  
N16 SHAKESPEARE  
N16 TANNERS HALL  
N17 ELBOW ROOM  
N17 NEW MOON  
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  
OUTLETS - NORTH-WEST PUBS  
NW1 QUINNS  
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  
NW8 KNIGHTS OF ST JOHN  
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

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## EDITORIAL

At last month's Great British Beer Festival I helped to run the Yorkshire bar. Here, we had Timothy Taylors, Marston Moor and other independent breweries' beers. We also had beers from John Smiths, Bass and Allied which could not be obtained in London. Guess which beers we had left over at the end?

There was also two cider bars with a vast selection of real ciders and perries. We needed a reorder to cope with demand, foreign beers likewise. You would think that 38,000 people gathered for the event might persuade publicans and brewers to take note of the best selling ales and ciders and try to stock them in the pubs of London. Yet nothing is further from the truth unfortunately. Try to drink real cider in a London pub and you'll be told the same old story; the brewery don't allow us to stock it. Ask for one of the award-winning cask ales in a London pub and it will be the same answer.

The brewers still have the attitude that they know best and will quote facts and figures at us to prove that, for instance, Tetleys is Britain's biggest selling draught beer, therefore it must be the best. The truth of the matter is, if Tetleys were compared to most of the other beers at Olympia, it would struggle to sell at all.

The same can be said for most other offerings from the Big Brewers. One landlord on the south coast asked me which was the biggest selling beer is Sussex and which was the best. I had to think carefully as Harveys of Lewes are everywhere in the free trade in Sussex now, but, as he was a Bass Charrington landlord, I said Charringtons IPA because it has considerably more outlets than Harveys. I also added that IPA must be the best as it sold the most. I'm afraid that the big brewing

companies actually believe the same nonsense. Draught Bass used to be a great drink until the accountants dictated to the brewer to change production methods. The industry is riddled with similar stories. Perhaps our readers can think of many. The worst offenders must be Whitbread and Scottish and Newcastle, who now must brew the worst beers currently available; 'Real Keg' would be a better description of some of these appalling products.

Yet it is not only the tied trade who deny us real choice by bribing and bullying their tenants to take what the brewer decides. Customers who head for the free trade in London are often disappointed. Such are the discounts on these inferior products offered by the Big Brewers, that most of the free houses in some areas can only offer Boddingtons, Theakstons, Courage Best and Ruddles, all brewed by the Big Six. It is no wonder that the discerning drinker will search for a pub that offers a real alternative at a reasonable price. 'The Prince of Wales' in Balham sold Hop Back GFB for years until the landlord was forced out by a massive rent hike which took note of the fact that he offered a beer other than that from the 'approved' list. Thankfully for S.W. London drinkers 'The Princess Royal' another Courage pub in Merton has taken the beer. The Mitre in Copenhagen Street, near Kings Cross, is another enterprising tied house (Charrington) which stocks two milds and Crouch Vale bitter. There are many others that readers become aware of through RBIL updates in our magazine.

Publicans like these deserve our praise and patronage. Please let us know of your own personal favourites so they get a 'plug' in these pages.

Chris Cobbold



## BR SELLS OVER 100 SITES FOR NEW STATION PUBS

British Rail is hoping to tempt brewers and pub companies to open pubs in more than 100 disused railway buildings across the country.

Licensees could soon be operating on station platforms as the BR's Property Board puts empty railway buildings that can be converted into successful pubs, up for sale.

Peckham Rye station in London, Bridlington station on the Humberside coast, and the arches under the busy London Bridge terminal are just some of the BR buildings between 1,000 and 3,000 square feet of space to spare.

"We are conscious of the potential interest the brewing industry may have in these properties", said Richard Marks in British Rail Property Board's marketing department.

"There is plenty of vacant space available for pub developments and local authorities seem to be more relaxed about granting licences for these types of premises".

Marks said properties were generally available on lease. Some of the buildings have been burnt out and a considerable amount of investment will be required at some sites.

"We will be open to offers and charging realistic rents", he claimed.

"The majority of property is located alongside operational train lines, and Marks explained that the cost of railway maintenance had to be considered by BR when discussing prices.

The pub potential is there and it could be an opportunity waiting for the brewers and pub companies to move in on", he said.

London free house chain J D Wetherspoon could be an interested party in the available properties.

"We won the tender for the property at Liverpool Street station in London, now a pub called Hamilton Hall, which has been hugely successful", said development manager Gerry Martin.

### BACK NUMBERS

To date 149 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.

## McDonnells of Charlton require an Experienced Brewing Manager

*With an eye to new opportunities, this small independent chain of public houses is recommencing the brewing of real ales from natural ingredients with its 35 barrel length ex-Godson & Chudley equipment. The Brewing Manager would be expected to deal with all brewing and distribution aspects of the business, and with ensuring quality at the bar counter.*

*A salary package of £15K plus benefits would be negotiable for the right person. A Clean Driving Licence would also be necessary.*

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428 Woolwich Road, Charlton SE7 8SU.**

**Tel: 081-853-0143**



## IDLE MOMENTS

Let me start by apologising in advance if this column does not reach its usual high state of mediocrity. I got home late last night from working all week at the Great British Beer Festival at Olympia and tomorrow I shall be off early to spend three days working "Oop North"; in the mean time I have to churn this out and get it to the printers. Anyway, enough of my troubles, I start this month with a letter from Tony Gayfer of Blackheath who writes:

"I may very well not be the first reader to comment on June's Idle Moments; but a lego-size brickbat for answers 2 and 8 to May's puzzles:

2. A tetrahedron has four points and also four faces, but six edges.
8. The six-pointed star of David is Jewish, not Welsh, being named after the king and not the saint."

Thanks for pointing those out Tony; I had been told about the star by a couple of people but nobody else spotted the tetrahedron - both my fault entirely. Now with some trepidation here are last month's answers to the number puzzles:

1. 12 Dozens in a Gross
2. 27 Cubic Feet in a Cubic Yard
3. 49 is Seven Squared
4. 744 Hours in January
5. 209 Miles in the Length of the River Thames
6. 2 Blank Tiles in a Scrabble Set
7. 50 Stars on the United States Flag
8. 4 Stations on a Monopoly Board
9. 180 Degrees Longitude is Half Way Round the World
10. 32 Boroughs in Greater London

And now, as I have to meet my deadline, I shall pitch straight in with this month's:

1. 28 P in a Q
2. 90 DN is the NP
3. 124 is a GM a S
4. 2 MW by SG at B (OG, OB)
5. 651 M of P in the H of C
6. 1 S on a S
7. 5 T on a F
8. 10 S on a D
9. 16 T (S by TEF)

### 10. 100 is TS

Now, as usual, it is brewery anagram time and here, once again are the answers to last month's:

- |                 |             |
|-----------------|-------------|
| 1. A BRASS PERK | BRAKSPEARS  |
| 2. RAT MOANS ON | ASTON MANOR |
| 3. S.F. BORE    | FORBES      |
| 4. LIMP BAG     | BIG LAMP    |
| 5. SHARE LOAM   | EARL SOHAM  |

And this month's which follow all come from the current Good Beer Guide breweries section (as indeed they usually do):

1. DAVE ERRS
2. PEER RIM
3. NINE BEE REG
4. AH, THE GIG
5. A BLOWN TACK

Now we get back to the silly alphabets again. I have had another letter, this time from Michael Stevens from Wandsworth. Yes Michael, fame (of a sort) has come to you this month - it will be your round tonight! I have edited his letter somewhat as some of his suggestions are already covered in the letter from Derek Edwards which I put in last month. The ones he comes up with that we have not had before are as follows:

A: Ava Gardner; B: for lamb (slight preference for this one's brevity); G: I've not found a really satisfying answer - G for the movies or 'Jeefers' creepers are the best I can do; H: before beauty (*I particularly like this one - AP*) I: for an eye; N: for mation; O: for a pee; P: for relief (*I have repeated this for obvious reasons when you read the next one - AP*); Q: for a pee; S: for tando (for musicians); U: vula; V: for la France; W: for a five; Y: for mistress *almost the same as last month*); Z: for de doctor; I've got a code.

He goes on to say:

"I can't remember what you called the alphabet that started A for aubergine (I think of it as the boiled brain alphabet). (*Actually it was Mike Gigg's confuse a child alphabet - AP*) but I liked A for are, which has elegant simplicity or A for 'ay, Aesop, aye, and you'll have to work out the "O"

and "U" sounds yourself; U for Ur (of the Chaldes); Q for quay which is less esoteric than Qibla and the delightful E for ey, 'e, eye, eau and ewe.

Other ways of passing the time until they are open are:

Silent alphabet: e.g. B as in lamb, H as in whine (one of the best as the word exists with and without the H). The whole alphabet exists in silent form but they won't be revealed yet.

Words pronounced differently if they start with a capital rather than lower case letters: Polish, Reading, Woking (woking is a method of Chinese cooking).

The alternative phone list: Run your friends names through a word processor's spelling checker to find what they give. For example:

Andy Pirson - Handy Parson  
Chris Cobbold - Chars Cable  
Stan Tomkins - After offering star, swan,  
stand and stain, my WP gave up on  
Tompkins  
Ian Amy - Inn Aim  
Watneys - Wetness

Finally, for when we talk behind your back, just how do you pronounce Pirson? I as in women, or I as in Ernest?"

So there we are. We seem to be working towards the ultimate misleading alphabet - any more ideas anyone?

And now it appears to be sanity time again with our general knowledge quiz, starting with last month's answers:

1. At the Battle of Balaclava in the Crimea
2. Maidenhead
3. Jacob Bronowski
4. R J Mitchell
5. Sir Sydney Camm
6. Gerry and the Pacemakers
7. Miles Kington
8. Mr Creosote
9. The death of Buddy Holly
10. Thomas Cubitt

You may find some linking between the questions that follow - it just shows how the mind (well mine anyway) works in producing

this sort of thing.

1. Who was the only British Prime Minister to be assassinated?
2. Still on the subject of untimely ends who was the first person to be killed in a railway (moving train) accident who was run over at the opening of the Liverpool and Manchester Railway?
3. Still on the L&M story what were the names of the four engines in the Rainhill Trials, apart from Stephenson's Rocket?
4. Whose house bore the famous address No. 1 London?
5. What is the name of the house in question No. 4?
6. What was the Beatles' first hit record?
7. During the First World War only one Nobel Peace Prize was given. To which organisation was it awarded?
8. What is the nickname given to the civil defence fire engines that were called into service during the strike by the regular fire service in 1977/78.
9. What is a caryatid?
10. Of what wood are cricket bats made.

And now just to tidy things up, here are the answers to the brain teasers we had last month. As I said last time I do not have any more in stock so that is it for the time being - until somebody sends me in some more, or I have enough idle moments of my own to think some up.

1. It is Sunday.
2. Give the last person the tray with the last drink on it.
3. Push the cork right through the neck into the bottle, then remove the coin.
4. Farmer Porter had 11 animals; Farmer Osborne had 21 and Farmer Hughes had 7.
5. She put 27 poppadoms into the bowl.

And by way of a closing thought, I can't remember where I first heard it, but it has amused me for a long time:

"If the population of New York were all piled one on top of the other, they would be on their way to work".

Bye for now.

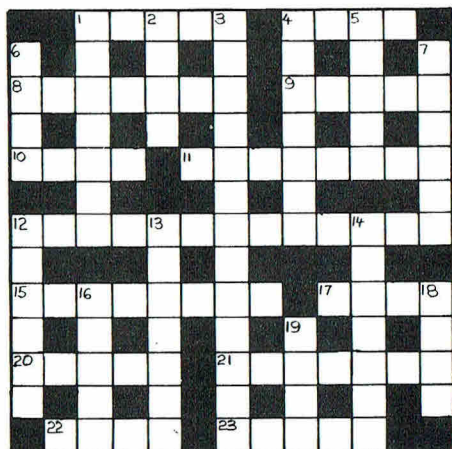
**Andy Pirson**



# LONDON DRINKER CROSSWORD

COMPILED BY DAVE QUINTON

£10 PRIZE TO BE WON



## ACROSS

1. Jelly found in the Capitals of Austria, Sweden, Portugal, Italy and China. [5]
4. Author losing direction becomes crazy. [4]
8. The market to Scotsman is alien. [7]
9. Attain some rare achievements. [5]
10. Pleasant town? [4]
11. Is relieved in a flash. [8]
12. Paper has time to state what makes paper. [6,7]
15. Later man has makings of a mother. [8]
17. Hits back and causes fight. [4]
20. I care about her. [5]
21. Devil loves worker to engage in graft. [7]
22. Charge a pound for grope. [4]
23. We have nothing on the president. [5]

## DOWN

1. A priest, I am able to be continental. [7]
2. Father in agony? [4]
3. Tory team share payment. [13]
4. Can't quite see a less suitable joint for service. [7]
5. The French way to go. [5]
6. The last word in steam engines. [4]
7. Article bears little relation to paper. [6]
12. Adder season? [6]
13. Prince of Wales, I hear, achieves high post. [3,4]
14. Make clear what was ugly. [7]
16. Journey east is rubbish. [5]
18. Correct ceremony? [4]
19. Primate, unknown, makes it to the top. [4]

Name.....

Address.....

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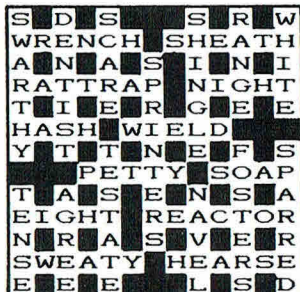
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All correct entries received by first post on 30th September will be entered into a draw for the prize.

The winner of the prize will be announced in the November 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



Winner of the prize for the July crossword:  
Piers Todd, 93 York Road, Teddington,  
Middlesex, TW11 2SL

Other correct entries were received from:  
Tony Alpe, R.H.Arnold, Dave Aylett, Geoff B,  
Donald Barker, Jeremy Brinkworth,  
Alan Brooke, Peter Brown, Neil Chapman,  
A.P.Comaish, Andy Darnbrough,  
Jane Darnbrough, Mikes Farrelly/Richards,  
B.H.Fletcher, Eileen Graves, Paul Gray,  
J.E.Green, Belynda Hammond, Alison Henley,  
William Hill, Hugh Jampton,  
Masonic Jimmicus, Doug King & Queen,  
Pete Large, Terry Lewis, Jan Musson,  
Rab Noolas, R.J.G.Oxenbury, Steve Piggott,  
Dave Rice, W.J.A.Rudderham, A.C.Scutter,  
Roger Slapper, Bes Spotman, David Tyrell,  
N.A.Walton, Martin Weedon, Chris Whithouse,  
Susan Wilson, Robert Young,  
There was also one incorrect entry.

# REAL DRAUGHT BEER

## and where to find it

### A LIST OF YOUNG'S PUBS

#### BALHAM, SW12

Duke of Devonshire, 39 Balham High Rd  
Grove, 39 Oldridge Rd  
Nightingale, 97 Nightingale Lane

#### BAKING, Essex

Britannia, 1 Church Rd

#### BAKES, SW13

Bull's Head, 373 Lonsdale Rd  
Coach and Horses, 27 High St  
White Hart, The Terrace, Riverside

#### BATTERSEA, SW11

Castle, 115 Battersea High St  
Duke of Cambridge,  
229 Battersea Bridge Rd

#### BEDDINGTON, Surrey

Plough, Croydon Rd

#### BETCHWORTH, Surrey

Dolphin, The Street

#### BLOOMSBURY, WC1

Calthorpe Arms, 252 Gray's Inn Rd  
Lamb, 54 Lamb's Conduit St  
Three Cups, 21-22 Sandford St

#### BOROUGH, SE1

Bunch of Grapes, 2 St Thomas St

#### BOW, E3

Coburn Arms, 8 Coborn Rd

#### BRXTON

Hope and Anchor, 123 Acre Lane, SW2

Trinity Arms, 45 Trinity Gardens, SW9

#### CARSLTON, Surrey

Greyhound, 2 High St

#### CATFORD, SE8

Catford Ram, 9 Winslade Way

#### CHELSEA

Chelsea Ram, Burnaby St, SW10

Coopers' Arms, 87 Flood St, SW3

King's Arms, 190 Fulham Rd, SW10

#### CHELTEN, Surrey

Crown, London St

#### CHELSHURST, Kent

Bull's Head, Royal Parade

#### CHISWICK, W4

Crown and Anchor,  
374 Chiswick High Rd

#### CITY OF LONDON

Chuggman's Wine Lodge,  
145 Fenchurch St, EC3

City Retreat, 74 Shoe Lane, EC4

Dirt Dicks, 202 Bishopsgate, EC2

East India Arms, 67 Fenchurch St, EC3

Elephant, 119 Fenchurch St, EC3

Lamb Tavern, Leadenhall Market, EC3

Master Gunner, Cathedral Place, EC4

Three Lords, The Minories, EC3

#### CLAPHAM COMMON, SW4

Windmill, South Side

#### CLAPHAM JUNCTION, SW11

Plough, 89 St John's Hill

#### CLAPTON, E5

Prince of Wales, 146 Lea Bridge Rd

#### CLAYGATE, Surrey

Foley Arms, Foley Rd

#### CLERKENWELL, EC1

London Spa, 70 Essexmarket

Salford Arms, 34 Salford St

#### COVENT GARDEN, WC2

Marquess of Anglesey, 39 Bow St

#### CROYDON, Surrey

Dog and Bull, 24 Surrey St

Gloverton, 111 White Horse Rd

Tamworth Arms, 62 Tamworth Rd

#### DARTFORD, Kent

Malt 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, 186a Peckham Rye

#### EAST SHEEN, SW14

Hare and Hounds,  
216 Upper Richmond Rd West

#### EFFINGHAM, Surrey

Plough, Oreston Lane

#### EPSOM, Surrey

King's Arms, 144 East St

#### ESSEX, Surrey

Bow, 71 High St

#### ETON WICK, Berkshire

Pidcock, 32 Eton Wick Rd

#### FITZROVIA, W1

One Tun, 58 Goodge St

#### FULHAM, SW6

Duke of Cumberland,  
235 New King's Rd

#### GREENFORD, Middlesex

Bridge Hotel, Western Avenue

#### GREENWICH, SE10

Richard I, 52-54 Royal Hill

#### HAMMERSMITH, W6

Brook Green, 170 Shepherd's Bush Rd

Buildern, 81 King St

Thatched House, 115 Dalling Rd

#### HAMPSTEAD, NW3

Flask, 14 Flask Walk

Hare and Groom, 68 Heath St

#### HARLESDEN, 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

Coach and Horses, 8 Kew Green

#### KILBURN, NW6

Queen's Arms, 1 High Rd

#### KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, Surrey

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

Widewood 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

Hull, 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

#### OSWOTT, Surrey

Beer, Leatherhead Lane

#### 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, 83 Lower Richmond Rd

Spotted Horse, 122 Putney High St

#### REDHILL, Surrey

Home Cottage, Redstone Hill

#### REGENTS 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

Shalbury Arms, 123 Kew Rd

Shakespeare, Lower Richmond Rd

Waterman's Arms, 12 Water Lane

White Cross, Riverside

#### ROEHAMPTON, SW15

Angel, 11 High St

Mallard Cat, Aubyn Square

#### ROTTERHAM, SE16

Ship, 39-47 St Marychurch St

#### SHERE, Surrey

Prince of Wales, Shere Lane

#### SOUTHWARK, SE1

Founders' Arms, Bankside, 52 Hopton St

Prince William Henry, 217 Blackfriars Rd

#### STEPNEY

Hollands, 7-9 Emouth 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

#### TEDDINGTON, Middlesex

Abercorn Arms, 76 Church Rd

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#### THORNTON HEATH, Surrey

Fountain Head, 114 Parkmore Rd

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Railway Telegraph, 19 Brigstock Rd

#### TOOTING, SW17

Castle, 38 High St

Garrigue Park, 29 London Rd

Leather Bottle, 538 Garratt Lane

Prince of Wales, 646 Garratt Lane

#### TWICKENHAM, Middlesex

Old Anchor, 71 Richmond Rd

Poppy's Grotto, Cross Deep

#### WALTON-ON-THAMES, Surrey

Royal George, 130 Hershams Rd

Swan, 50 Manor Rd

#### WALTON-ON-THAMES, Surrey

Chequers, Chequers Lane

#### WALLINGTON, Surrey

Duke's Head, 6 Manor Rd

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Alma, 499 York Rd

Brewery Tap, 68 Wandsworth High St

County Arms, 54s Trinity Rd

Croft, 14 Armoury Way

Gardeners' Arms, 266 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, 13 Putney Bridge Rd

Ship, 41 Jew's Row

Surrey Eagle, 71 Wandsworth High St

Two Brewers, 147 East Hill

Wholesale, 30 Putney Bridge Rd

#### WESTMINSTER, SW1

Buckingham Arms, 62 Petty France

#### WIMBLEDON, SW19

Alexandra, 33 Wimbledon Hill Rd

Crooked Billet, 15 Crooked Billet

Dog and Fox, 24 High St

Hand in Hand, 6 Crooked Billet

Rose and Crown, 55 High St

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors

On a recent visit to one of my favourite 'out of town' haunts, the Waterloo, Waterloo Road, Southampton, (where landlord Charles serves an excellent range of Hop Back beers from Salisbury, GFB, Hop Back Special, Entire Stout, and Summer Lightning) I was interested to learn from one of the regulars of another good value real ale outlet in the town.

For visitors to Southampton who may be interested, this establishment is the Royal British Legion club, Eastgate Street (near the Star Hotel), which currently sells Wadworth 6X at £1.18 pint and Bass at £1.21. CAMRA members are welcome upon presentation of membership card, especially at lunchtimes.

I hope this may be of interest to any visitors to Southampton.

Nearer to home, the Two Brewers, Stratford High Street, E18 is selling Pitfield Bitter (from Wiltshire) at £1 a pint.

Cheers

Pete Large

Dear Editors

I was delighted to see in London Drinker editorial columns July 1992 that CAMRA has referred brewery hype of draught beer in cans - CANS - to the Consumer Protection Minister, Edward Leigh MP.

Keep up the good work. The outside back cover of Sunday Times colour magazine 5th July 1992 displayed full colour advertisement copy from Boddington showing one of their pints short measure in a brim measure thin glass, so I've made a cutting of the ad and sent it to the Minister, for his attention, also.

Surely the Advertising Standards Authority shall need to get involved?

Yours sincerely

Stephen J. Fothergill

Dear Editors,

Congratulations on the wonderful article LONDON SE1 - Pub Crawl. I have seen several copies of the London Drinker and this has been by far the best article.

I thought you might be interested in one or two observations.

Some of the pubs were already known to me, but I was surprised that you omitted The Hole in The Wall at Waterloo (although there are a great number to choose from as you point out).

We tried The Southwark Bridge to London Bridge section after work (and before!) on a number of occasions. The Market Porter was a splendid pub - very different in atmosphere to the City pubs on the other side of the river. Definitely worth a return visit.

Unfortunately, I could not say the same of The Wheatsheaf. It did not have a very Victorian appearance to it, although it was certainly unspoilt. In mitigation it does serve Imperial Russian stout.

Moving on to the Southwark Tavern, there is no problem getting a drink here in the mornings. It is a splendid find. Especially so while The Fox and Anchor in Smithfield is closed for renovation. If you want a breakfast, however you do need to order in advance, and there has to be a minimum of 6 people. The easy going attitude here is a pleasant change to the Hope in Smithfield, where unless you are a market worker, a breakfast is compulsory if you want to drink.

I still use a 1975 edition of the Good Beer Guide and it is interesting to note that The George in Borough High Street is featured in it. I had been meaning to visit ever since! We drank pints of London Pide here, so there were no problems with it being a Whitbread house. The architecture however was something of a disappointment. It looks better on paper than it actually appears. Having said that the actual route of the crawl from Southwark Bridge was very interesting and left me with a favourable impression of an area I had previously written off.

Peter Campbell, Chessington, Surrey

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## LETTER TO THE EDITORS

*(Contd. from p. 9)*

Dear Editors

I couldn't help but feel exasperated when I read your leader in July Drinker. I'm sure I'm not the only member of the campaign who can't understand why with a ballooning membership the percentage of active members in London branches and elsewhere seems to be falling. Yet you focus the crosshairs on CAMRA's foot and turn it into Swiss cheese with deadly accuracy. Clearly the campaign faces an internal challenge in this respect but why wash our linen in public? We must be getting something right to be growing as we are. Let's have something more positive in future.

On a second note, why is London Drinker afraid to use the simple device that sells tens of millions of newspapers every week? Yes, a headline. Month in month out we are treated to an obscure black and white photo or line drawing of someone's local. The front cover of the August issue belies belief. In a month where the biggest beer festival the campaign has ever promoted in London let alone the Country as a whole, buyers with telescopes may pick out across the bar that the new issue is in. We should be shouting from the roof tops, using every opportunity available to us to promote the Great British Beer Festival. Comment on the festival just scraped in on page seventeen when it could have been right up on the front pages, celebrating as it does the twenty-first successful year of campaigning for real ale. YES, campaigning not complaining, every month copy seems to be littered with more froth about beer measures, quality, etc. than there is in those drinkers glasses.

On a separate note, readers interested in edition three of the North London Beer Guide please note that it is hoped to have the guide ready for the London Drinker Beer Festival in March '93. The areas where help is needed are the London postal areas of N6 Highgate, N8 Hornsey, N17 Tottenham and WC1 Holborn and Bloomsbury. Ring the North London branch contact for details of how to help put together YOUR local beer guide and help

contribute to CAMRA's success.

Yours sincerely,

Laurence Fryer, Enfield & Barnet Pub Information Co-ordinator, Henson, NW4

### *Editor's Comment:*

*Thanks Laurence for your comments which are very helpful, although I cannot say that I agree with you wholeheartedly in every detail. Undoubtedly membership is ballooning but the attendance at meetings most certainly is not within my own area and, I understand in most other London branches. Moreover, the average age of members attending meetings is rising steadily - we are not getting the new blood we need although the interest in real beer is clearly there - just look around at every beer festival you go to.*

*Of course CAMRA is doing something right - It's getting its publicity right at a national level. That, and beer festivals national and local, are the reasons why people are joining. If they are not coming to meetings we need to reach them in some other way and I believe that London Drinker is one of those. Many of our readers are CAMRA members and the other regular readers are presumably committed to real beer - as that is the basis of the magazine.*

*I'm afraid that I don't quite follow your phrase "campaigning not complaining". Are we only to report the positive side of life? The Drinker would be pretty thin some months if that were the case. We do not live in a perfect world and I'm afraid we must reflect that fact; a major part of campaigning is indeed complaining.*

*The reason why the Great British Beer Festival did not feature on the front cover (rightly or wrongly) is that the magazine has a currency of a month so that for a large part of the time that it is on display it would have been advertising a past event. Your comments are very valid but should they not have been applied to the July edition? On the question of headlines generally, they work excellently on dailies (including Sunday papers) and quite well on weeklies but with a monthly they can too easily be out of date by the time they hit the streets. This applies particularly in our case where the magazine is produced in our spare time and we do not have the machinery to react that quickly to major issues*

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## BRANCH DIARY

If your branch is not mentioned, please ring the Branch Contact. Dates for September of which we have been notified are given below. Branches please send information to Andy Pirson. Branch Contacts page 23.

**CROYDON & SUTTON:** Fri 4 (8.00) Social. RAILWAY BELL, North End, West Croydon. New members especially welcome! - Thu 10 (8.00) Social. RAILWAY, Station Way, Cheam. New members especially welcome! - Wed 16 (8.00) Social. FOUNTAIN HEAD, Parchmore Road, Thornton Heath. New members especially welcome! - Thu 24 (8.00) Branch Meeting. CONQUERING HERO, 262 Beulah Hill, SE19. On 68 bus route near Crown Point - Wed 30 (8.00) Social. WINDSOR CASTLE, 387 Carshalton Road, Carshalton.

**ENFIELD & BARNET:** Tue 1 (9.00) Two Pub Social in Barnet. BLACK HORSE, Wood Street then ALBION (10.00), 74 Union Street - Wed 9 (8.30) Branch Meeting. BULL & BUTCHER, 1277 High Road, Whetstone, N20 - Sat 12 (12.00) Visit to Kew. Meet at EXPRESS, Kew Bridge Road, Brentford. We plan to visit a few pubs and the Steam Museum which has a "Tower Open Day". Horticulturalists may prefer to visit Kew Gardens (Joint with Richmond & Hounslow Branch) - Thu 17 (9.00) Social. TURKEY, 13 Turkey Street, Enfield - Tue 22 (9.00) Campaigning Social. SPOONS, 89 Colney Hatch Lane, N10 - Thu 1 Oct (9.00) Social & London Drinker Pick-up. WILLIAM IV, 192 Hertford Road, N9 - Tue 6 Oct (9.00) Two Pub Social in Barnet. WEAVER, Greenhill Parade, High Road then OLD RED LION (10.00), Underhill, Great North Road.

**KINGSTON & LEATHERHEAD:** Thu 3 (8.00) Pub Crawl of Esher. Start BEAR then ALBERT (8.30) and on from there - Tue 15 (8.30) Business Meeting. NEW PRINCE (formerly PRINCE OF WALES), Surbiton.

**NORTH LONDON:** Sun 30 Aug (12.00) Bank Holiday Weekend Lunchtime Social. ROSSETTI, Queens Grove, NW8 - Tue 1 (8.00) Two Pub Social in Tottenham, N17 (nearest station: Bruce Grove BR). BEEHIVE, Stoneleigh Road then ELBOW ROOM, Tottenham High Road - Tue 8 (8.00) Three Pub Social in N1 (nearest station: Kings Cross). TARMON, 270 Caledonian Road then DUKE OF WELLINGTON (8.45), 74 Richmond Avenue; HUNTINGDON ARMS (9.30), 115 Hemingford Road - Tue 15 (8.00) London Drinker Beer Festival 1993 First Planning Meeting. LAMB, Lambs Conduit Street (in function room; ask at bar) - Tue 22 (8.00) Two Pub Social in Belsize Park, NW3. WASHINGTON, 50 Englands Lane then SIR RICHARD STEELE (9.30), 97 Haverstock Hill - Thu 1 Oct (8.00) Branch Pub of the Year Presentation & London Drinker Pick-up. PHOENIX, Alexandra Palace, N22 (W3 bus from Finsbury Park station) - Sun 4 Oct (12.00) Lunchtime Social. RADNOR ARMS, 106 Mildmay Grove, N1 - Tue 6 (8.00) Birthday Social for Anne Lodge & Ian Hassell in High Holborn, WC1. ROYAL CONNAUGHT then CITTIE OF YORK - ADVANCE NOTICE; Tue 3 Nov Crouch Vale Brewery Visit and rural pub crawl by minibus. Joint event with Dengie Hundred Branch; details to be arranged.

**RICHMOND & HOUNSLOW:** Fri 4 - Sat 5 Feltham Beer Festival. Feltham Assembly Rooms, Hounslow Road, Feltham. Opening Times: Fri 11-3 & 5-10.30; Sat 11-10.30 - Sat 12 (12.00) Joint Social with Enfield & Barnet Branch. KEW BRIDGE STEAM MUSEUM. Meet at EXPRESS HOTEL, Kew Bridge Road, Brentford - Fri 18 (8.30) Joint Social with North Surrey Branch. HARE & HOUNDS, 132 Vicarage Road, Sunbury (with Trad Jazz and cheap Chiswick) - Mon 21 (8.30) Business Meeting. JOLLY FARMER, 177 Lampton Road, Hounslow.

**SOUTH EAST LONDON:** Thu 27 Aug (7.30) Boules Social. DULWICH WOOD HOUSE, 39 Sydenham Hill, SE26 - Mon 7 (8.00) Open committee Meeting. TRINITY ARMS, 29 Swan Street, SE1 - Mon 14 (8.00) Branch Meeting. MARKET PORTER, 9 Stoney Street, SE1 - Thu 24 (8.00) Branch Social. PILOT, 68 River Way, SE10 - Thu 1 Oct (8.00) Bromley Social. WILLIAM IV, 116 Croydon Road, Elmers End.

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**SOUTH WEST ESSEX:** Thu 3 (8.30) Social. GREEN MAN, Cricketers Lane (off A128), Herongate - Tue 15 (8.30) Out of Area Social. LITTLE GEM, High Street, Aylesford, Kent - Thu 24 (8.00 at brewery) Brewery Trip to Charles Wells, Bedford. Details/bookings from Wendy Benson on Romford 723897 - Thu 1 Oct (8.30) Social. ROSE & CROWN, 16 Ilford Hill (A118, near A406), Ilford.

**SOUTH WEST LONDON:** Fri 11 (8.00) Presentation for 10 consecutive years in Good Beer Guide. PRINCESS ROYAL, 25 Abbey Road, Merton, SW19. Also launch of Hop Back GFB at the pub. - Tue 15 (8.00) Open Committee & Open Festival Committee meetings. ROSE & CROWN, 2 The Polygon, Clapham Old Town, SW4 - Fri 2 Oct (7.30) Crawl of GBG Pubs in Barnes, SW13. Start BULLS HEAD then COACH & HORSES (8.30); SUN (9.15); RED LION (10.00).

**WEST LONDON:** Wed 9 (8.00) Kensington Crawl. Start MERRIE GO DOWNE BAR, Gloucester Hotel, Ashburn Place, SW7 then HARRINGTON (9.00), Gloucester Road; QUEENS ARMS (10.00), 30 Queens Gate Mews - Thu 17 (8.00) Branch Meeting. WHITEHORSE, 1 Parsons Green, SW6.

**WEST MIDDLESEX:** Tue 1 (8.30) Social. MILITIA CANTEEN, Elthorne Road, Uxbridge (The Branch's only Greene King tied house) - Fri 11 (8.00) Pinner Peramble. Start GEORGE then VICTORY (8.30); HAND IN HAND (9.00); QUEENS HEAD (9.30); ODDFELLOWS (10.00), all times approximate - Wed 16 (8.30) Branch Meeting. BLUE ANCHOR, Printing House Lane, Hayes - Thu 24 Social. KINGS ARMS, The Vale, Acton, W3 - Tue 29 (5.00) Morrells Brewery Trip. Coach leaves White Horse, Uxbridge at 5.00 or meet 7.30 at brewery.

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## 25 YEARS ON THE WAGGON

Two MPs joined pub regulars and directors from Young's Brewery when licensees Joe and Brigid Reilly celebrated 25 years in charge of a Surbiton pub.

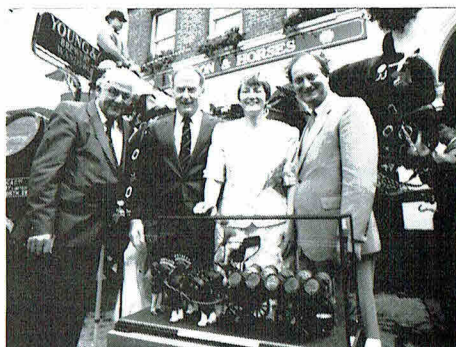
Mr and Mrs Reilly threw a lavish party at the Waggon and Horses in Surbiton Hill Road, complete with free beer, a running buffet and a barbecue, to mark their anniversary.

The guests included brewery chairman John Young, who presented the couple with a cased model of a horse-drawn Young's dray, Surbiton MP Dick Tracey, who is a regular at the Waggon and Horses, and Gillingham MP Jim Couchman, who is the licensee of the Hope, a Young's pub in Norwood, south London.

A brass band played in the pub garden as the Reillys unveiled a special bottled beer brewed by Youngs in recognition of their long service.

Mr and Mrs Reilly are best known in the Surbiton area for raising vast sums of money for charity, mainly through a series of

Waggoners' Walks by customers in fancy dress. The latest walk, on the day before their 25th anniversary, raised more than £6,000.



*Joe and Brigid Reilly, flanked by brewery chairman John Young (left) and Dick Tracey, MP for Surbiton, admire the model of a Young's dray presented to them on their 25th anniversary at the Waggon and Horses. A real dray is in the background.*



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## A DICKY IN YOUR BOTTLE

### (East London & City News)

A welcome newcomer to the Bethnal Green area is the CAMDEN'S HEAD, 456 Bethnal Green Road, which reopened as a Wetherspoon's pub on 7th July. This former Bass fizz-house has been completely refurbished and now offers Draught Bass; Greene King IPA and Abbot; Theakston's XB and Younger's Scotch Bitter.

The Camden's Head is managed by Jack and Linsey Kelly - formerly at the Drum, Lea Bridge Road - ably assisted by Kevin Armes and Wendy Gould. The Drum has been noteworthy for its numerous guest beers and we hope that this policy will become a feature of the Camden's Head as well.

The MINT, 60 East Smithfield Street, E1 is one of Fuller's newest pubs and is situated almost at the foot of a modern office block opposite the entrance to St Katharine's Dock. I say "almost at the foot" because access is via a steep flight of stairs, making it totally inaccessible to anyone in a wheelchair. How can anyone in their right mind build an anti-wheelchair pub in this day and age? Once up the stairs, you will find that there are two steps down to the patio which faces the road.

I found the piped music intrusive but at least the beer was in good condition (Chiswick at £1.43 a pint).

SPARROWSBAR on the edge of the Stratford Shopping Centre was selling Charrington IPA and Young's Special when surveyed for the East London & City Beer Guide (PLUG!!). Since then the IPA has been replaced by Fuller's London Pride and the Young's by Adnams' Bitter.

Stop Press: Fuller's replaced by Greene King

IPA. The present two beers sell for £1.40 a pint.

"East Ender"

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## WANTED! BEERHUNTERS

CAMRA member for 10 years, Steve Mathews has taken the plunge and set up his own company to specialise in beer tours of Belgium, Germany, Prague and the American West Coast.

Steve started over 10 years ago by organising 'beer jollies' for friends to various parts of the UK. On one occasion he remembers being refused a second bottle of Holts 5X because the landlord claimed 'there wouldn't be enough left for the locals'. So much for expanding sales!

GREAT ESCAPES first tour will be to Belgium (October 25th - 28th) to coincide with the start of the IAMBIC brewing season. There will also be two visits to SAISON farmhouse breweries, followed by a specially arranged evening of unlimited beer and food at Brasserie a Vapeur.

For those wishing to travel further afield and visit the attractive city of Prague and its many excellent bars, there is a tour in late October to celebrate the 150th anniversary of PILSNER URQUELL. Steve recently returned from the Pilsner Urquell brewery and was amazed at the largering cellars, which are so vast (6 miles) they are named after continents!

If you want to become a Beerhunter, contact Steve Mathews at GREAT ESCAPES on 071-622 6494. Tailor made itineraries for groups (minimum 15 people) can also be arranged.

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## SOUTH EAST LONDON CELEBRATES ITS MAJORITY

CAMRA's 21st Birthday coincides with South East London Branch's own coming of age celebrations. Formed on 15th July 1974 at the Lord Derby in Plumstead, an 18th Birthday party was held at the pub. A special effort was made to contact former branch members for the event.

Present chairman, Dave Sullivan, said how surprised but delighted he was to see so many old friends at the party. Eleven of the founder members were present as were all but one of the branch's nine former chairmen.



*The gavel of chairmen, pictured from the left, are the first chairman Mostyn Lewis, Carl Payne, John Hilton, Mike Constable, Mike Warner, Mike Dobson and Cliff Cork with Dave Foord and Dave Sullivan in front.*

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## SIDRA

As any student of Spanish or anyone who has read the 1990 Good Cider Guide will know, sidra is the Spanish for cider. Having taken this as inspiration for a cycling holiday, I had my first experience of Asturian sidra in a sidreria (cider house) in Ribadesella.

Asturias has a method of dispense all of its own. This consists of holding the bottle in the right hand above head height and pouring steadily into a glass held in the left hand at hip height. Simple eh! (If anyone wants to try this at home - practice in the bath.)

Experimentation - which the locals found entertaining - quickly revealed that there is a lot more to this than meets the eye (tip no. 1: don't look up or a lot more may meet the eye). The main requirement seems to be to pour the cider in a thin, steady stream and concentrate on arranging for the side - the inside - of the glass to be in a position to catch it. Splashing the cider on the side of the glass is part of the technique and even the most skilled practitioner will get some on the floor. The glasses are filled to no more than a quarter of their capacity.

The bottles are about the size of wine bottles, but more like beer bottles in shape. There are no labels on the bottles: the corks and the crates reveal the origin. The glasses are thin-walled, plain, tapered with heavy bases and have a total capacity of about a quarter of a litre.

Further researches over several days in Colunga,

Gijon, Arriendas and Arenas de Cabrales revealed more details of custom. Sidrerias have buckets -sawn off barrels such as are sold in garden centres in this country to decorate patios - at strategic points to catch the mistakes: one sidreria had a drainage channel around the bar. If two or three people are drinking together, they generally share the same bottle and glass, drinking alternately with fairly long intervals between "rounds". The shot of sidra is downed in one go and any residue is tipped away before the next is poured. Those who don't trust their skill at pouring can rely on the bar staff for that service (as in other Spanish bars, the bill is paid at the end of the visit rather than for each drink and tipping for service is in order). Drinking cider is very much a social pastime and the sidreria more closely resembles a traditional English pub than any other type of continental bar I have visited.

The sidra natural (real cider for the want of a better term) costs a little under £1.00 a bottle - about the cost of a very much smaller bottle of beer in the cheaper bars. The cider looks and tastes akin to a very dry, still English cider. Other bottled ciders are available, equivalent to English filtered, pasturised and carbonated varieties, which are sweeter and fizzy and sold in champagne-type bottles with wired corks - total absence of sediment rules out the Champagne method of putting the gas in. Keg cider is also available.

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## A GLIMPSE FROM THE PAST

This article comes from the SUNDAY COMPANION of April 2nd, 1898 price one penny, which recently came to light in a pub with which I am involved. The publication was one of the "Moral" kind so prevalent at that time, and I won't dwell upon the majority of the context, although the adverts are worth studying. What follows may offer an insight into the social situation at the time:

**"Serving Children With Drink -** Should children be served at public houses? Every reader of the Sunday Companion will say 'No!' And will therefore be pleased to hear that the Brighton School Board has persuaded the borough magistrates to express an opinion adverse to the serving of drink to children in public-houses.

"It was stated that in the case of one public-house that was kept under observation a hundred children entered in forty minutes, eighty per cent of whom were under twelve years of age, whilst two of them were taken to be not more than three years old. Some of the children were seen to drink from the jugs that they carried.

"Strange to say, when the above resolution was passed the following notice, which appears in the window of a Liverpool publican, was also published:

**"Take Notice -** Children thirteen, fourteen, and fifteen years of age who do not reach the height of 4ft 6in will not be served on or off the premises, and parents who persist in bringing children with them will be refused also."

The last paragraph indicates that children were drinking at the pubs of the day as well as collecting take-outs from the "Jug & Bottle" department. Beer was certainly purer than many water supplies, for which reason at that time each pupil of Eton College was issued a daily beer ration of six pints. With the wide availability of alcohol to all via off-licences (often purchased by older brothers etc.) under-age drinking is certainly rife, to this very day. Could it be that it is encouraged by making a mystique of alcohol consumption, doing it covertly (to juvenile eyes) out of sight in pubs behind closed doors? After all, the easiest way to get a kid to do something is to say 'Don't'.

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## SHEPHERD NEAME STAGE KENTISH HOP TRAIL

A country tour for all the family, celebrating Kent's hop growing and brewing heritage, is being organised by Shepherd Neame, Britain's oldest brewery.

The Shepherd Neame Kentish Hop Trail will be staged over the August Bank Holiday weekend, Saturday, Sunday and Monday August 29, 30 and 31, and - coinciding with the Faversham Hop Festival - on Saturday, September 5.

The Hop Trail will include tours of Shepherd Neame's Faversham brewery - where they've been producing fine ales since 1698 - and the nearby Homestall Farm, where visitors will see hops on the bine, and visit the Hop Museum and working oast.

Tours of both the brewery and the farm will be available 10 am - 4 pm on all four days of the Hop Trail.

Admission to the brewery is free, although a charity collection will be made on behalf of Kent Air Ambulance. Admission to the farm is £1 adults, 50p children and pensioners, with tractor and trailer rides through the hop garden 50p extra, as available.

Drivers will be given a free leaflet and map, which will guide them on a beautiful 20-mile country lanes tour of the Kentish countryside and its hop gardens.

Hungry travellers can stop off at any one of 11 Shepherd Neame pubs along the way - many of them with family facilities - which will stay open all day (except Sunday afternoon) for traditional pub lunches and snacks.

For a free copy of the Kentish Hop Trail leaflet, write to: Hop Trail, Shepherd Neame Ltd, The Brewery, Court Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 7AX, enclosing an s.a.e.



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## DRIVEN TO DRINK - By Train

Merton's article a year ago about beer on London's railway stations revealed a very limited choice for the customer. A station bar, or a nearby pub, is the ideal place to wait for the rush hour to subside, or for the late arrival of the train scheduled to run your service (or its crew), and variety, being the spice of life, goes a long way to relieving the tedium of your journey, particularly if you commute, or prefer real trains with steam engines to keg modern rolling stock.

The deficiency looks to be remedied from two different sources. The JD Wetherspoon chain plans to go public in October, and open a pub on Victoria Station, where the Unicorn has operated successfully as a purpose-built Greene King pub since 1987. The first Wetherspoon pub in the City, the Hamilton Hall, was opened at Liverpool Street last November.

Those premises were acquired from British Rail, whose Property Board is about to put more than a hundred empty buildings suitable for conversion into pub premises on the market throughout the country. It has been done before - the former Hum station on the long closed original London to Bournemouth main line near Christchurch has been the successful Avon Causeway free house for many years. Nearer to home, at Denmark Hill the old station building, partly destroyed by fire in 1980, was rebuilt in replica and is now the Phoenix & Firkin of the former David Bruce chain. Just one stop along the line, part of Peckham Rye station is one of the sites on offer, as are some of the arches under London Bridge station. Actually one pub exists there already, the appropriately named Arch 970, a Youngers tied house. Another thriving business a few arches along is the London Dungeon, which demonstrates how man's inhumanity to man gave the brewers the idea of Keg.

In years gone by the majority of main stations had bars, some on the Underground, of which the last, Moriarty's at Baker Street,

closed a couple of years ago. Here on my CAMRA patch in Wales, Llandeilo station had a licensed catering establishment known locally as "The Refresh." It is some distance from the town centre, down a steep path and a staircase (or even further by road) yet until it closed about five years ago it was a fashionable venue for wedding parties, and provided a good pint of Buckley's Bitter. Sadly the 1857 station is scheduled for demolition to make way for a by-pass road, and its replacement will be even further from town. As I was preparing this article, one who was there on the last night of opening told me that the last of the beer was given away, and at least one local notable (the undertaker) ended up on the track. Fortunately for him the last train had already gone.

British Rail has many historical buildings, most of which are not subject to preservation orders, and their policy is not to insure them, so any damage - usually by fire - gives the ideal excuse for demolition with impunity and, of course, the added benefit of less maintenance costs. With what a representative of BR's Marketing Department has recently described as a relaxation on the part of local licensing authorities over their willingness to grant licences for such premises, things bode well for the London pub-goer. I was present at the hearing in 1983 when David Bruce was granted the licence for the Phoenix & Firkin, and afterwards one of the magistrates - who was known to me - told me the self-same thing. The Victorian railway engineers made everything to last, not least their buildings, and as an amateur historian as well as a railway enthusiast (not to mention a beer drinker) I welcome this move. It might even be worth returning to London when prices become more reasonable!

**Martin Smith**

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## TIME PLEASE TO HONOUR OUR PUB GUV'NORS

Des Tuddenham starts his new monthly column with an appeal for pub Guv'nors to be given a break

What about a National Landlords' Day? Fathers, Mothers, the disabled and many others all have their turn and quite right too. But what about the Guv'nors?

Heaven knows how the wretches deserve a break. Right now, with trade slack the pressure on the humble licensee is immense - so much so its a wonder how few of them are topping themselves.

Consider a Guv'nor I know in the West End. He has a tiny pub that turns over many barrels of excellent ales every week and by all accounts is making his company (he is a manager: a *directly salaried employee*) proverbial packets.

One sad night of late he tells me of a visit by a worried Area Manager (*mobile accountant-cum Angel of Death*) who tells him about a "great worry". Apparently, the pub averaged 17 toilet rolls per week over the last quarter, but, for the last month had averaged 21 per week.

"Couldn't you make do with 17 again?"

This is just the tip of a particularly nasty iceberg, regularly rammed into decent Guv'nor's lives. What a way to treat people.

But such is the drive to control costs in today's fast-paced leisure experience trade - *formerly known as the brewing industry*.

Managers have it tough but they are not alone. Tenants and Leaseholders (*people who pay a sum to the pub company to secure tenure and then a rent* - in return for tied products and largely area manager-free existence), have it just as bad.

I was appalled to learn how one south London tenant was treated over a new lease recently. His brewer was asking for the usual Rackeman rate of ~~rent~~ increase but also proving extra sticky over his guest beer, a lovely drop brought in from the West country. The trouble was the guest beer was selling so well that it was proving an embarrassment to the national brands (well backed by TV ads and the like) that the brewery preferred to push.

The result has been our Guv'nor leaving the

pub and possibly the trade too. On the way consumer choice has suffered and soaks like me have lost an excellent ale.

Words cannot blacken the role of the area manager in all this well enough. I would dearly love to see some costings produced on doing away with them altogether - with monies from their wages, company cars and expense accounts re-allocated toward giving their Guv'nors a better deal for what is now a much harder - and very much longer - day's toil behind the pumps.

So, let's all get agitating for a national Guv'nors day. Letters to John Major would be a good start. Meanwhile, if you see somebody walking around town with a "Thump an Area Manager Today T-shirt", you'll know its me.

Des Tuddenham

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## MORE ON LINED GLASSES

In March, the government announced that legislation concerning the definition of a pint of beer will be enacted at last. The law, requiring a 'pint' to contain a full 20 fluid ounces of liquid, regardless of any head, had been on the statute book for decades but was awaiting a Ministerial 'Order in Council' to set the date for it to start.

Previous Governments, of both persuasions, had resisted calls to set a date, leaving weights and measures inspectors virtually powerless to prosecute even the most blatant cases of short measure. Notwithstanding changes of priorities following the recent election, the law will operate from April, 1994.

To ensure that the customer receives a full pint, oversize glasses will be mandatory, a line just below the rim of the new glasses will mark the one pint level. Currently, glass makers produce 22 and 24 ounce glasses as well as the familiar 20 ounce 'brim measure', it is not yet clear whether the manufacturers will produce any other sizes, although a 21 ounce glass would probably be welcomed in the South where we do not expect a large head on our beer. Any head must be served above the line, even draught stouts such as Guinness will have to comply.

At present, there are estimates that, nationally, drinkers pay £400 million a year for froth and air. On average, pints of beer are served about one fluid ounce short (5%). With an average price of around £1.50, this represents 7.5 pence worth of beer. Dismay and outcry would follow if beer were to rise by 7.5 pence as the result of a brewery or budget increase yet short measures represent a hidden price premium on beer of which few people are aware. Of course, if the law is properly enforced, it will take 7.5 pence off of the publican's profit margin on every pint. The trade will not accept this, so compensating price rises will be introduced; it will be interesting to see the varied explanations that will be given for these rises!

As could be expected, the Brewers' Society has reacted angrily towards the new legislation. They claim that the traditional handpump is unsuitable for serving a full pint and that handpumps will have to be ripped out to be replaced by more expensive metered electric

dispense systems. This, together with the requirement for new glasses, will, in the Brewers' Society view, add 14 pence to a pint! They maintain that the law is unnecessary, arguing that customers can always ask for a top up if they are unhappy with their measure.

This is just the kind of response that CAMRA has come to expect from the Brewers' Society. The threatened increase in price is a combination of scare-mongering, intended to stall the new legislation and an attempt to more than make up for the lost margins. Claims that handpumps would have to be abolished are hysterical over-reaction or perhaps just a smoke-screen to hide the real reason for a price rise. One thing is certain, the violent reaction and the suggested price impact is absolute confirmation of the present incidence of short measure.

CAMRA believes that the assertions of the Brewers' Society are misguided. It is perfectly simple to serve a full pint of beer with a handpump - the amount per pull is adjustable and any pump can be set up such that a couple of pulls virtually fills the glass, leaving just a slight top-up to reach the line exactly. In fact, lined glasses make it easier to serve a pint, as the space above the line can be used to contain the head from a lively beer or to create a foaming head for those that prefer one. Bar staff would quickly become accustomed to checking to see if the liquid level reached the line. Lined glasses are already in use in many parts of the country and they have not proved to be any problem. As for the brewers' suggestion that it is a commonplace act to ask for a top-up, those who have tried will be all too familiar with the surly response that this request often elicits. Most people visit a pub for a pleasant relaxation, not for a stand-up row! It is the publican's duty to supply a proper measure, not the customer's task to argue for one.

The cost of replacing glasses has been cited by many in the trade, as prohibitive. However, breakages and hygiene requirements give rise to a continuous replacement; in most pubs the entire stock of glasses are replaced in the course of a year, the old style will have been

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## STREETS PAVED WITH GOLD?

A brief return to London on the way to and from the Kent Beer Festival in July was what you might term an interesting experience - for interest on the resulting overdraft is what I will probably be paying for quite some time. You've guessed it - I'm on about over-pricing again. It seems that some pubs are determined - or forced - to price themselves off the market. After an absence of eleven months - my longest period away in 43 years - I was staggered at the amount that was being asked for a pint of what is basically water and a few minor ingredients worth a few pence. Blame several taxing authorities for quite a lot of what you pay. My staggering was, however, only philosophical, not physical sufficient inebriation was impossible due to financial constraints even had I been so inclined. It was too damned expensive by considerably more than half.

A friend with mathematical expertise calculates that of every pound of your income before any taxation, you will only receive about tuppence-worth of liquid, if you discount duty, VAT, profits and so-called overheads down the line. Disregarding the tax-person, which we'd all dearly love to do, where do those other pennies in the pound go? Staff wages and other running costs, yes. And profits - that's what business is all about. But what is reasonable profit as opposed to blatant profiteering? Everyone wants to earn more, that's natural. But the cost of living seems to be rising much faster than one's disposable

income, certainly mine. In consequence pub custom is dropping everywhere, and they still have to pay their bills, which are in effect passed on to their loyal customers. I found myself paying extortionate amounts in London, often for inferior products. Yet in one central pub I have used for years I found excellent Fuller's London Pride going out on special offer - for the month - at £1.20. Obviously the landlord wasn't selling at a loss, which says rather a lot about pub mark-up. Of course, London pubs are in a good position to charge over the odds in areas frequented by tourists - if they never come back, there are always more to take their place. But in my favourite South London watering-hole customers were very thin on the ground although the prices seemed about average for the area.

It is an undeniable fact that the pub trade is going through a bad patch, and bankruptcies and re-possession have reached record proportions. Many must be due to sheer greed - if the customers don't have money to pay high bar prices, they will naturally drink more cheaply at home courtesy of the off-licence. As a general rule pubs which close don't tend to re-open - though we all know of exceptions. The pub has been part of the traditional English scene since time immemorial, and if the current trend continues, it is set to disappear forever.

Martin Smith

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## NEWS FROM WETHERSPOON

JD Wetherspoon is gearing itself up to develop a record number of sites over the next four months (September to December). It has already opened J J Moons at terminal four (August 10) and will open 156 more free houses by Christmas.

The free houses will open in November and December, bringing the company's total to 59. The new outlets are being converted from a wide range of buildings, including a bank, cinema, restaurant and supermarket.

Among the areas for the new free houses are Croydon, Brixton, Islington, East Ham and

Chiswick.

A landside site at Heathrow and one at Victoria will also be among those opening up.

And an extension will also be added to the Drum at Lea Bridge Road, Leyton.

Development manager Gerry Martin said: "A lot of planning has gone into ensuring all the building work runs smoothly.

"The new free houses will give us the opportunity to attract new people to our style of operation".



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Martin Haire - Treasurer

### Correction

The Yorkshire Grey has not ceased brewing as stated in our last issue. It only closed during refurbishment. Our apologies to all concerned.

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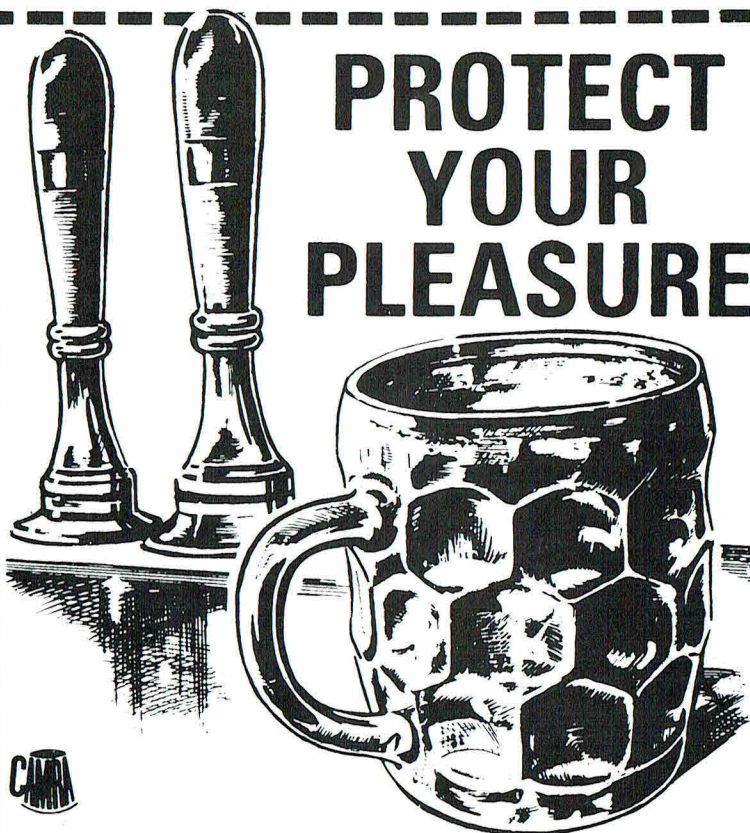
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## PHEASANT PLUCKING POACHER FILCHES A FIRKIN PINT!

Howzatt for a Firkin tongue twister! It relates to the picture when a real life poacher-cum-pheasant plucker turned up at a pub's re-opening recently and promptly poached himself a pint. The pub was the Pheasant & Firkin in Goswell Road, EC1, which re-opened after a major refurbishment costing £75,000 including a completely rebuilt bar area and much work on the cellar. The poached pint was a new beer brewed for the occasion called *Plucker* (ABV 5%). "But I didn't mind at all really, it's nice to have somebody entering into the spirit of things", said licensee Melissa Harrison.

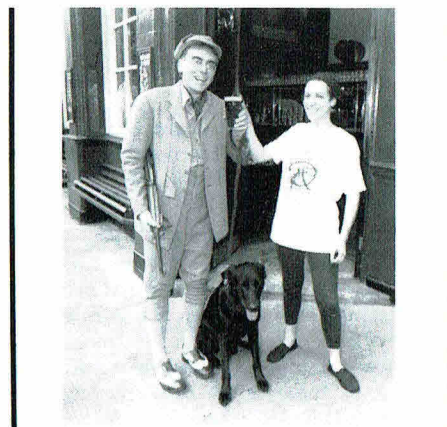
At just 21, Melissa is the youngest manager in the Firkin chain. She came to her pub after a spell as manager at the Flounder & Firkin at Islington, which she took over while still 19. "It is the real ale side of the business interests me most", says Melissa, who has passed Firkin's cellar management course with flying colours and once organised a course on beer appreciation for her staff at Dr Keith Thomas's Brewlab facility at the City Polytechnic of Central London.

"My five real ales are handpulled and drawn straight from the cask. Looking after them is more than a necessity for me, it's also a pleasure", she added, "and it's nice when people take an interest in cellar management, such as some new friends I've made in CAMRA's East London & City Branch."

A new Firkin pub opened its doors at the end of august when the former Rising Sun in Euston Road became the Friar & Firkin after six weeks closure for major conversion.

Says Firkin brewery's Simon Keep: "This is a prime site for us, neatly between Euston and King's Cross/St Pancras stations. The Friar & Firkin has its own brewery downstairs and so offers three new real ales plus occasional ad-hoc Firkin brews. Other attractions include a new line of 'Great Firkin Fodder' and regular, free live entertainment.

"And I can promise London Drinker readers of news soon of two further Firkin pubs, one north and one south of the river".



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## OUT OF TOWN: Platform Tavern

A Marston's tenancy, the Platform Tavern is located on Town Quay in the heart of Southampton's old waterfront district - an area rich in the City's nautical past. At one end of Town Quay stands the God's House Tower, once an important part of the City's wall defences, now converted into a museum. The tower, in Victorian times, had a 'time ball' and a cannon, used to synchronise clocks and chronometers. Adjacent is, reputedly, the world's oldest bowling green.

Opposite the Platform Tavern, on land reclaimed from the sea, is the new Town Quay retailing and restaurant development. The pub also serves an excellent waiting room for the nearby ferry departures to the Isle of Wight and Hythe. In addition to the front entrance on Town Quay, there is also a rear entrance in the quaintly named and ancient, Winkle Street.

The original seaward section of the City walls of Southampton once occupied the site where the Platform Tavern now stands. The walls were constructed in 1350 following a French invasion and stood directly on the shore. They remained largely unaltered until the early 19th Century, by which time, after centuries of battering from high-tides, the walls were in a state of severe disrepair. In 1830 most of the walls were demolished during the construction of the East Quay. At this time colonial trade was at its peak and Southampton was becoming one of the English's most important ports. The Platform Tavern building was constructed at this time and was at first a school - the forerunner of the present King Edward's School. In 1873 the building became a public house, the name coming from the gun battery at God's House Tower. Not unusually for Marstons, whose seem not to do even the simplest research, the pub-sign erroneously depicts a Railway Station scene, although a plaque outside the pub reveals much of the true history.

The Platform has an attractive white-washed facade with black iron-work. Inside, the pub is small and the ground floor comprises the single bar; it is half stone-flagged and half carpeted. One corner has an attractive bar and

diagonally opposite a part of the original city wall, discovered during renovation work, is preserved behind glass. An attractive wrought iron spiral staircase leads up to the licensee's accommodation (and the 'ladies'). Overall, the pub exudes a comfortable, lived-in ambience with just a suggestion of a slightly continental air. One feature that grates in such historic surroundings is the presence of mock Tudor beams, introduced during a former landlord's renovations. The current tenants are Jocelyn and Michael Hendrickx who moved here a year ago after a very successful sojourn at the excellent Junction Inn at St. Denys. They have brought much of their bric-a-brac including probably the world's largest collection of invalid feeder mugs.

The Platform serves excellently kept Marston's Burton Best and Pedigree and the Border Mild, which makes the Platform one of very few traditional mild outlets left in Southampton City Centre. During the winter months, Border Mild may be replaced by the more substantial Merry Monk Mild. Marston's truly formidable strong ale, Owd Rodger, is also available to warm most cold winter nights. Excellent home cooked food is served every lunchtime except Sunday. A bar billiards table provides a suitably restrained sporting element.

The Platform, in its current incarnation, can be summed up as a very welcome boost for the Real Ale scene in a part of the city that needs it most. It provides a wonderfully cosmopolitan mixture of clientele - always someone willing to discuss putting the world to rights. If you are shopping in Southampton or catching one of the ferries and feel the need for a relaxing pint you can be sure of a friendly welcome here.

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## BEER BRIEFING

### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 75

This month we report the first two Greenall pubs in Greater London at New Barnet and Harefield, both acquired as part of a batch from Allied (Benskins) in areas to the north of London. Fullers have opened another brand new pub, this time in E1 not far from Tower Bridge.

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.

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#### **NEW & REOPENED PUBS & PUBS CONVERTED TO REAL ALE**

##### **CENTRAL**

**WC1, FRIEND AT HAND TAVERN**, 4 Herbrand Street. Now simply **FRIEND AT HAND** again. Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. Reopened. (W46, U54)

**WC2, CHAMPAGNE CHARLIES**, 17 The Arches, Villiers Street. Courage: Directors Bitter, labelled "Davy's Old Wallop." Latest Davy's 'Ale & Port House' located under Charing Cross Station.

##### **EAST**

**E1, CHINA SHOP**, 4 Orton Street. Bass. Charrington; IPA. (E63)

**E1, MINT**, Royal Mint Court, East Smithfield. Fuller: Chiswick Bitter, London Pride, ESB. New Fullers pub at base of office block. Comfortably furnished with balcony, also available for functions. Open 11-9.30 Mon - Wed; 11-11 Thu - Fri; 11-3.30 Sat; closed Sat evening & all day Sun. Food lunchtimes & evenings until 8.30.

**E1, THREE SWEDISH CROWNS**, 83 Wapping Lane. Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (E74)

**E2, ANGEL & CROWN**, 170 Roman Road. Young: Bitter (@ £1 a pint, 70p a half). (E77)

**E2, CAMEL**, 277 Globe Road. Tetley: Bitter. (E79)

**E2, GLOBE**, 109 Columbia Road. Ruddle: County. Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (E81)

**E2, NICE LITTLE EARNER**, 281 Kingsland Road. Courage: Best Bitter. Greene King: IPA. (E83)

**E2, PENNY FARTHING**, 3 Kingsland Road. Charrington: IPA. Fuller: London Pride.

Wethered: Bitter. Plus exotic dancers! (E83) **E2, RAILWAY TAVERN**, 131 Globe Road.

Tetley: Bitter. Now a Free House, ex Charrington. (E84)

**E3, ELEANOR ARMS**, 460 Old Ford Road. Shepherd Neame: Bitter. (E90)

**E3, LORD MORPETH**, 402 Old Ford Road. Marston: Pedigree. (E91)

**E3, UNICORN**, 27 Vivian Road. Flowers: Original Bitter. Fuller: London Pride. Wethered: Bitter. (E93)

**E10, COACH & HORSES**, 391 High Road.

Worthington: Best Bitter. (E123)

##### **NORTH**

**ENFIELD, WHEATSHEAF**, 185 Baker Street. Wells: Eagle Bitter, Bombardier. (N190, U63)

##### **SOUTH EAST**

**SE1, HERCULES TAVERN**, 2 Kennington Road. Boddington: Bitter. Flowers: Original Bitter. Greene King: Abbot Ale. Whitbread: Best Bitter. Now reopened as a Free House, ex Courage. Also carries name **MADIGANS**. (SE25, U54)

##### **WEST**

**CRANFORD, AIRLINKS GOLF CLUB BAR**, Southall Lane. Boddington: Bitter. Morland: Old Speckled Hen. Free House bar open to general public at golf club located on old Heston Aerodrome, venue of Neville Chamberlain's 'Peace in our Time' speech.

#### **PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE**

##### **EAST**

**E2, OLD KING JOHNS HEAD**. Wells, H removed. (E83, U65)

##### **NORTH WEST**

**NWB, SIR ISAAC NEWTON**. Watney, converted to restaurant **ST JOHNS CAFE**, H removed. (N158)

##### **SOUTH WEST**

**SW18, PUNTERS**. Free House, closed again. (U52, U61, U69)

#### **OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES**

##### **CENTRAL**

**EC1, GOLDEN HIND**. + Boddington: Bitter. (E17)

**EC1, KINGS HEAD**. + Thwaites: Bitter. (E19, U74)

**EC1, LEOPARD**. - Cornish: Draught Steam Bitter. (E19)

**EC1, SHAKESPEARE**, 2 Goswell Road. - Young: Special. + Friary Meux: Best Bitter. (E23)

**EC1, ST PAULS TAVERN**. + Greene King: Abbot Ale. + Thwaites: Bitter. (E23, U74)

**EC1, SUTTON ARMS**, 16 Great Sutton Street. - Marston: Pedigree. - Wethered: Bitter. + Greene King: Abbot Ale. Note correct address. (E25)

## BEER BRIEFING

### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 75 Continued

EC1, THREE COMPASSES. - Real Cider. (E25)  
EC1, VAULTS. + Thwaites: Bitter. (E26)  
EC2, RAILWAY TAVERN. - Brakspear: Special Bitter. - Flowers: IPA. + Brakspear: Bitter. + Flowers: Original Bitter. (E35)  
W1 (F), ALBANY. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter. - Young: Bitter. + Adnams: Bitter. (W28)

W1 (F), CANONS. - Benskins: Bitter. - Taylor Walker: Best Bitter. + Tetley: Bitter. + Young: Bitter. (W28)  
W1 (F), STAGS HEAD. - Younger: No. 3. + Theakston: Best Bitter. + Wadworth: 6X. (W32, U62)

W1 (May), BURLINGTON BERTIE. - Charrington: IPA. + Fuller: London Pride. + Young: Bitter. (W38)

W1 (May), DUKE OF ALBEMARLE. + Fuller: London Pride. + Young: Bitter. (W38)

WC1, SUN. - Real Ciders. (W51)

#### EAST

E1, OLDE CARPENTERS ARMS. Note correct title. (E70)

E1, WHITE SWAN & CUCKOO. + Rotating guest beer. (E75)

E2, FLORIST. - Ruddle: Best Bitter, County. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (E80, U70)

E2, OLDE HOPE (YE). - Ruddle: Best Bitter. + John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. Formerly BUSKERS. (E79, U68)

E3, PLAYWRIGHTS. Reverted to MORGAN ARMS. (E92)

#### NORTH

N18, THREE CROWNS. Renamed CHEESE & ALE HOUSE. Delete beers listed. + Boddington: Bitter. + Flowers: Original Bitter.

+ Morland: Old Speckled Hen (G). + Guest beer. Plus 5 additional beers on gravity: Brass Hammer (OG 1038-42); Cockerel Ale (1038-40); Governors Choice (1034-38); Hurricane Ale (1034-38); Old Fart

(1032-34), origin unknown. Now a Devenish "Inn Leisure" Free House, ex Midsummer Leisure, originally Rose's. (N100)

ENFIELD, CRICKETERS, 19 Chase Side. + Courage: Directors Bitter. + McMullen: AK Mild. Note correct address. (N182)

NEW BARNET, JESTER. - Beers listed. + Greenall: Bitter (brewed by Tetley Walker). + Tetley: Bitter. Now a Greenall's pub, ex Benskins. (N174)

#### NORTH WEST

NW8, CROWN. - McMullen: Country Bitter. Part of pub used as restaurant named The Conical Strainer. (N156)

HAREFIELD, WHITE HORSE. - Benskins: Best Bitter. - Butcombe: Bitter. + Greenall: Bitter. + Greene King: Abbot Ale (labelled as White Horse: Bitter. Now a Greenall's pub, ex Benskins. (W109, U59, U63, U73)

#### SOUTH EAST

SE1, DUKE OF SUSSEX. - Truman: Best Bitter. (SE21, U65)

SE1, HOLE IN THE WALL, 204 Borough High Street. + Fuller: London Pride. + Young: Bitter. (SE25)

SE1, NEW CROWN & CUSHION. - Courage: Directors Bitter. - Ruddle: County. + Hall & Woodhouse: Tanglefoot.. (SE34, U59, U66)

SE1, WELLINGTON TAVERN. - Burke: Best Bitter. - King & Barnes: Sussex Bitter, Festive. - Ruddle: County. + Adnams: Bitter. + Theakston: Best Bitter. + Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (SE43)

#### SOUTH WEST

SW1 (B), RISING SUN. + Young: Porter. (SW11)

SW1 (P), CLARENDON ARMS. Renamed GROSVENORS. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. + Theakston: XB. (SW15)

SW1 (P), PRINCE OF WALES. + John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. (SW15)

SW1 (P), PRINCESS ROYAL. + Courage: Best Bitter. (SW15)

SW1 (P), MARQUIS OF WESTMINSTER. - Ruddle: County. + Ruddle: Best Bitter. + Wadworth: 6X. (SW15)

SW1 (P), WHITE FERRY HOUSE. - Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. + Whitbread: Best Bitter. (at £1 a pint). (SW16)

SW2, JOHN COMPANY. - Wethered: Bitter. + Marston: Pedigree. (SW19, U49)

SW3, BUILDERS ARMS. - Wethered: Bitter. + Morland: Old Speckled Hen. (SW21)

SW6, JOLLY BREWER. - Brakspear: Bitter. + Courage: Best Bitter. (SW28, U66)

SW11, FALCON. + Young: Bitter. (SW39, U61, U70)

SW11, PRINCES PUZZLE. - Adnams: Bitter. - Theakston: XB. + Friary Meux: Best Bitter. + Younger: IPA. Formerly PRINCE OF WALES. (SW41, U52, U70)

SW12, PRINCE OF WALES. - Hop Back: GFB. (SW43, U51, U55)

SW15, BRICKLAYERS ARMS. - Fuller: London Pride. - Ruddle: County. + Courage: Directors Bitter. + Wadworth: 6X. (SW46, U56, U62)

SW15, STAR & GARTER. - Courage: Directors Bitter. - John Smith: Yorkshire Bitter. + Bass. (SW47, U56)

SW15, WHITE LION. + Harvey: Bitter. + Nethergate: IPA. + Wadworth: 6X. Above guest beers may vary. (SW48, U51, U56, U62, U66)

#### WEST

W6, CAMBRIDGE ARMS. + Charrington: IPA (@ 99p a pint). (W74)

W6, LATYMERS. - Fuller: ESB. Fuller: London Pride now on traditional handpump.

W8, GAIETY. Reverted to MALL TAVERN. - Brakspear: Bitter. (W82)

W11, HOOP. + Young: Porter. Formerly FINCH'S (W88, U67)

W11, PRINCE ALBERT. - Ind Coope: Bitter. + Ind Coope: Burton Ale. + Tetley: Bitter. + Young: Bitter. Still retains green 'Ind Coope' livery but without brewery name. (W90)

HOUSLOW, HUSSAR. Remove reference to cider. (W126)

RUISLIP, BELL. - Ind Coope: Burton Ale. + Young: Bitter. (W137, U49)

#### CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 74

OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES  
SW2, BIRD IN HAND. Should read HAND IN HAND.

SW3, AUSTRALIAN. Now a Taylor Walker Nicholson badged pub.

SW10, GUNTER ARMS. Ref should read (SW38, U51)

SW10, SPORTING PAGE. Formerly RED ANCHOR.  
HESTON, MASTER ROBERT MOTEL. Should read MASTER ROBERT, now renamed ROBERT INN.



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## 6TH CHAPPEL BEER FESTIVAL

Once again CAMRA have teamed up with the East Anglian Railway Museum for the 6th Chappel Beer Festival at Chappel and Wakes Colne Station featuring over 75 beers in two big bars. It is on From Wednesday 9th to Saturday 12th September with opening times from 11 am - 4 pm and 5 pm - 11 pm on each day.

Admission costs £1.30 per person or £1.80 after 5pm on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and this includes entry to all the railway exhibits during daylight hours. Admission is free at all times to members of CAMRA and EARM on production of membership cards. A special "members and friends" session is also being held on Tuesday 8th September from 7 to 11 pm. Limited camping facilities are available nearby for members. Priority will be given to those working at the festival of whom more are needed. If you would like to volunteer please contact Graham Platt on 081-599 2143 (H).

Coaches and minibuses are welcome and big discounts are available for pre-booked parties of non-members.

Chappel & Marks Tey station is just off the

A604 near the viaduct for those driving. If you go by train it is on the BR Marks Tey to Sudbury branch line (which has a roughly hourly service) off the Liverpool Street to Colchester main line. British Rail have confirmed that on the Wednesday to Saturday evenings they will be running an additional late train back to Marks Tey and Colchester at 11 pm. This should have a connection back to London, but NOT on the Saturday.

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## SUBSCRIPTION NEWS

For many years London Drinker has had subscribers in Europ and North America, but London Drinker is now read in Papua New Guinea! Ian Shimmia, who hails from Canada, has been a regular subscriber for three years or so and has spent the last year working in New Zealand, he has now taken a job in Papua New Guinea.

Ian reports that the local brews are good, but I'm sure his looking forward to a pint of Youngs in the Lamb, Lambs Conduit Street on his next visit to the U.K.

Stan Tompkins

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## Fuller's Passport Scheme Returns!

Following the success of the Passport scheme some years ago, Fuller's are running it again to give you the opportunity of discovering all their pubs, both new and old.

The pubs have been divided up into three areas of equal size, loosely grouped into North, West and South and these may be completed in any order.

All you have to do to qualify for your Passport prizes is to visit each Fuller's pub and have your Passport stamped after you have purchased a pint of Fuller's beer.

There are *exclusive* prizes to be won on the completion of each stage!

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| Section 1 | One minipin of London Pride.  |
| Section 2 | One Passport T-shirt and one minipin of London Pride.   |
| Section 3 | A personalised engraved Pewter Tankard and a Passport tie for the men and a scarf for the ladies. |

Pick up an application form at your nearest Fuller's pub NOW!

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## SURVEYING FOR THE GOOD BEER GUIDE

The 1993 Good Beer Guide is now with the printers, its proofs corrected and returned by hundreds of volunteer inspectors throughout the country. Its production is a massive operation and a miracle of co-ordination, considering that only the editing and printing are carried out by paid professionals. All the leg-work is done by local CAMRA members at their own expense. There are a few misconceptions about the fact, often promulgated by cynics, the ignorant and sometimes licensees disgruntled at not being included. Each pub is selected, theoretically by the local CAMRA branch, but in practise in some areas with little CAMRA presence, by one or two stalwarts who take all the flak. To give some examples, when I went around cross-checking the dozen antries for which I was responsible, onr irate guv'nor of a previous entry but listed as a "Try Also" for 1993. remarked "Why should those two (in the same town) go in and not us? Someone must be making a rake-off!" I disabused him of that idea without actually being abusive (the implication being obvious), and forgave his tactlessness next day when he revealed a newly installed real cider handpump, but not without showing him the paragraph inside the front cover of the current edition: "the information contained in the Good Beer Guide is the result of surveys by volunteer CAMRA members, who receive no payment and accept no hospitality or other inducements. The only way for a pub to be included in the GBG is for it to receive sufficient votes at the selection meeting of the local CAMRA branch". Being the only CAMRA presence for miles around the 25 miles from the nearest Branch (whose meetings I can never attend for lack of evening trains) that does rather narrow the field. Another landlord in the same town (which boasts 8 pubs out of 13 serving real ale) organized, unbeknown to me, a petition for inclusion which was sent to CAMRA HQ. Had I been aware of that, he would have been a "Try Also" instead of one of the two entries which so incensed the previously-mentioned publican. Another, whose pub I knew under previous ownership when I occasionally relieved as manager, approached me in a

different establishment and asked "Do we have to buy your book every yer to get in?" His pub was not one of "mine" anyway. No, you can't buy your way in OR out, and some do try to avoid inclusion. At one I surveyed in London some years ago, the proprietor offered me a bribe in the form of a free pint any time I called if he did not appear. He was left out for other reasons and I never claimed my "prize". He had good reason for wanting his establishment to enjoy the least possible attention (apart from his regulars who were not always candidates for canonisation, and the pub is now closed.

Most inspectors I know make it policy to order and pay for their drink before revealing the purpose of their visit, and when the form (a complex thing twice the size of this page) makes its appearance, the first reaction is often "How much will it cost?" You get quite used to answering fatuous questions, and fed up with repeating the same old spiel. It can easily take an hour to collect and cross-check the relevant information (allowing for interruptions to serve other customers) and a return trip with the printer's proofs is essential to check again and amend inaccurate details, which may be a misprint or a changed fact, such as opening time. As we have all found to our cost, there is no point in going out of your way to visit a particular pub and find it doesn't open for another hour after the published time. Of course, circumstances change all the time and it is impossible for a guide to be completely up to date, however soon after the survey it is on the bookshelves. In the case of the 1993 Guide, most of the surveying was done in March, checking done at the end of June, and it is due for launch in October. Two of my entries for 1992 - in the same village - had ceased trading by New Year. Well, is it worth all the effort? Hopefully. The entries are of necessity selective, and you can't please everyone. A pub you quite happily miss a few trains for can easily be one the next man wouldn't want to be seen dead in. The greatest - and ideally the only criteria is the quality of beer on a consistent basis. Where the choice is too wide there are other consideration, but after all we are producing a GOOD beer guide,



## Existing Establishments

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

**HARINGEY**  
**OLD SUFFOLK PUNCH**  
10-12 Grand Parade N4

**TURNPIKE LANE**  
**THE TOLLGATE**  
26-30 Turnpike Lane NB

**STOKE NEWINGTON**  
**THE TANNERS HALL**  
145 High Street N16

**WOOD GREEN/TOTTENHAM**  
**THE NEW MOON**  
413 Lordship Lane N17

**TOTTENHAM**  
**THE ELBOW ROOM**  
503-505 High Road N17

**ARCHWAY**  
**THE DOG**  
17/19 Archway Road N19

**KINGSBURY**  
**J J MOONS**  
553 Kingsbury Road NW7

**WEST HENDON**  
**THE WHITE LION OF MORTIMER**  
3 York Parade  
West Hendon Broadway  
London NW9

**WALTHAMSTOW**  
**THE DRUM**  
557/9 Lea Bridge Road E10

**BARNET**  
**THE MOON UNDER WATER**  
148 High Street Barnet

**ENFIELD**  
**THE MOON UNDER WATER**  
115/117 Chase Side Enfield

**NEASDEN**  
**THE OUTSIDE INN**  
312-314 Neasden Lane  
NW10

**SOUTH HARROW**  
**J J MOONS**  
3 Shaftesbury Parade  
Shaftesbury Circle  
South Harrow

**EAST BARNET**  
**THE RAILWAY BELL**  
13 East Barnet Road  
East Barnet

**CHALK FARM**  
**THE MAN IN THE MOON**  
40-42 Chalk Farm Road  
NW1

**HAMPSTEAD**  
**THE THREE HORSESHOES**  
28 Heath Street,  
Hampstead, NW3

**WEALDSTONE**  
**THE SARSEN STONE**  
32 High Street, Wealdstone,  
Middlesex

**FOREST HILL**  
**THE BIRD IN HAND**  
Dartmouth Road,  
Forest Hill, SE22

**WANSTEAD**  
**THE GEORGE**  
High Street, Wanstead, E11

## NOW OPEN

### THE MOON UNDER WATER

10/11 Broadway Parade, Coldharbour Lane  
Hayes, Middlesex

### THE CAMDEN'S HEAD

456 Bethnal Green Road,  
Bethnal Green, E2

### THE MOON UNDER WATER

28 Leicester Square, London WC2  
(Next to Comedy Store)

## OPENING SOON

179 Upper Street, Islington, N1

402-408 Rayners Lane, Harrow, Middlesex

Old Coliseum, Manor Park Road,  
Harlesden, NW10

52-54 Church Street, N9

419-421 Barking Road, East Ham, E6

25 Ross parade, Woodcote Road,  
Wallington, Surrey

36-38 Friern Barnet Road, N11

17-21 George Street, Croydon

20 The Broadwalk, Pinner Road,  
North Harrow

80-82 Chiswick High Road, Chiswick, W4

1250-1256 Uxbridge Road, Hayes End,  
Middlesex

407-409 Brixton High Road, London SW9



**STREATHAM**  
**J J MOONS**  
2 Streatham Hill SW2

**SHEPHERDS BUSH**  
**THE MOON ON THE GREEN**  
172-174 Uxbridge Road  
Shepherd's Bush W12

**PALMERS GREEN**  
**THE WHOLE HOG**  
430-434 Green Lanes  
Palmer's Green N13

**COLINDALE**  
**THE MOON UNDER WATER**  
10 Varley Parade  
Colindale NW9

**RUISLIP MANOR**  
**J J MOONS**  
12 Victoria Road  
Ruislip Manor

**MITCHAM**  
**THE WHITE LION OF MORTIMER**  
223 London Road  
Mitcham

**WEMBLEY**  
**J J MOONS**  
397 High Road  
Wembley

**TOOTING**  
**J J MOONS**  
56a High Street  
Tooting SW17

**NORTH FINCHLEY**  
**THE TALLY HO**  
High Road, North Finchley  
London N12

**HOUSLOW**  
**THE MOON UNDER WATER**  
84-86 Staines Road,  
Hounslow, Middlesex

**CROUCH END**  
**THE ELBOW ROOM**  
22 Topsfield Parade  
Tottenham Lane  
London N8

**HARROW**  
**THE MOON ON THE HILL**  
373-375 Station Road  
Harrow, Middlesex

**HATCH END**  
**THE MOON AND SIXPENCE**  
250 Uxbridge Road, Hatch End

**WINCHMORE HILL**  
**HALF MOON**  
749 Green Lanes, Winchmore Hill  
London N21

**KENTON**  
**THE NEW MOON**  
25-26 Kenton Park Parade  
Kenton Road, Kenton, Middx

**CATFORD**  
**THE TIGER'S HEAD**  
Bromley Road, Catford, SE6

**CRICKLEWOOD**  
**THE BEATEN DOCKET**  
50-56 Cricklewood Broadway NW2

**LIVERPOOL STREET**  
**HAMILTON HALL**  
Liverpool Street Station EC2

**BARKINGSIDE**  
**THE NEW FAIRLOP OAK**  
Fencepiece Road, Barkingside

**TWICKENHAM**  
**THE MOON UNDER WATER**  
53-57 London Road  
Twickenham

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## RIP-OFFS

### A Series of 1,000,000

One of the more recent additions to the tied estate of Messrs Fuller Smith & Turner is the Cat & Canary on Canary Wharf, E14, thoughtfully sited within staggering distance of the Docklands Light Railway station and providing you with views across the waters of the dock while you hum that well known folk tune, "Where have all the Yuppies Gone?"

The answer is, of course, "Gone broke" after shelling out £1.60 a time for pints of Chiswick Bitter - one of the capital's less potent ales (ABV 3.5%). I don't think I want to know how much the London Pride costs, let alone the ESB.

Meanwhile, over in snooty Belgravia, the Star Tavern (also a Fuller's tied house) makes a living from the sale of Chiswick Bitter at £1.38 a pint.

"Ebenezer Scrooge"

*Editors' Comment::*

*We don't think Ebenezer is including the Star as a rip-off - it's merely there for comparison, in case you were wondering.*

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## Serveying for the Good Beer Guide

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not a comprehensive one for any district. Large gaps on the county maps can indicate a dearth of suitable pubs, little coverage by local members, or a lack of suggestions from casual customers, who as often as not are the ones who set things in motion. The enterprising guv'nors who propose their own pub by asking the local "rep" or ringing CAMRA HQ (as has happened on a number of occasions which have come to my notice) are rarely included; word gets round about a good pub, and the converse is also true. So if you have a recommendation to make for future inclusion, why not contact the local CAMRA branch? Some lucky member might be pleasantly surprised.

Years ago, when there were real trains, I liked to take engine numbers. With the Good Beer Guide, you know where to go to get your tick!

Martin Smith

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## LINED GLASSES *Contd. from p. 19*

replaced, at no additional cost, by the time the law comes into effect.

Most readers will have noticed that brewers have, in their mass media advertising, tried to accustom us to beer being served with a giant head. As an example, the Boddington advertisements depict a pint with nearly an inch of head, in a brim measure glass. Whitbread's internal trade magazine advises landlords that it is 'traditional' for Boddingtons to be served under such a thick layer of froth. Do you believe that Whitbread have adopted this policy out of respect for tradition?

CAMRA does not believe that the new law should justify a price rise. The brewers owe the drinkers quite a few billion pounds for decades of short measure, it would be a nice gesture for them to accept the new regulations and to absorb the cost increases. Pigs may also be induced to fly but probably not voluntarily!

from 'Hop Press'

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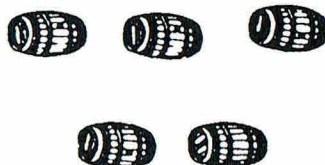
## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS *Contd. from p. 10*

that come up at the "wrong" time. If we carried a headline we would be in great danger of reporting some moderately exciting item which had been overtaken by some really major story; then we could expect criticism on that score.

Finally I wish all concerned good luck with the new North London guide; but doesn't the appeal for help through our pages go quite some way to justify the basis of my July editorial - that we are not getting as many people active in the branches to do the campaigning (and other things) that we wish to do?

Andy Pirson

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Where to buy Continued

# OUTLETS - SOUTH WEST and WEST PUBS

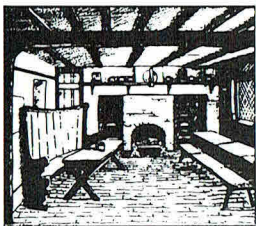
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 SW1 RED LION  
 SW1 ROYAL OAK  
 SW2 HOPE & ANCHOR  
 SW2 JJ MOONS  
 SW3 COOPERS ARMS  
 SW3 ROSE  
 SW3 SURPRISE  
 SW4 ROSE & CROWN  
 SW6 DUKE OF CUMBERLAND, SW6  
 SW6 WHITE HORSE  
 SW7 ANGLESEA ARMS  
 SW8 SURPRISE  
 SW8 PRIORY ARMS  
 SW10 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 DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE, Roehampton Vale  
 SW15 FOX & HOUNDS  
 SW15 GREEN MAN  
 SW15 JOLLY GARDENERS  
 SW15 WHITE LION  
 SW16 GREYHOUND  
 SW16 PIED BULL  
 SW17 CASTLE  
 SW17 JJ MOONS  
 SW18 BREWERY TAP  
 SW18 HALF WAY HOUSE  
 SW18 OLD SERGEANT  
 SW18 PIG & WHISTLE  
 SW18 SPREAD EAGLE  
 SW19 ALEXANDRA  
 SW19 GROVE  
 SW19 KINGS HEAD  
 SW19 PRINCE OF WALES, Morden Road  
 SW19 PRINCESS ROYAL  
 SW19 TRAFALGAR  
 SW19 WILLIAM MORRIS  
 CARSHALTON, RAILWAY TAVERN  
 CHESSINGTON, NORTH STAR  
 CHEAM, RAILWAY  
 KEW, COACH & HORSES  
 KINGSTON, CANBURY ARMS  
 KINGSTON, COCOANUT  
 KINGSTON, DRUIDS HEAD  
 KINGSTON, KELLY ARMS  
 KINGSTON, NEWT & FERRET  
 KINGSTON, PARK TAVERN  
 KINGSTON, WYCH ELM

MITCHAM, KINGS ARMS  
 MITCHAM, RAVENSBRURY ARMS  
 MITCHAM, WHITE LION OF MORTIMER  
 NEW MALDEN, ROYAL OAK  
 RICHMOND, ORANGE TREE  
 RICHMOND, RED COW  
 RICHMOND, SHAFTESBURY ARMS  
 RICHMOND, WHITE CROSS  
 SURBITON, BUN SHOP  
 SUTTON, NEW TOWN  
 WEYBRIDGE, PRINCE OF WALES, Otlands Park  
 WHITTON, WHITE HART  
 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 COURT, KINGS ARMS  
 HAMPTON WICK, WHITE HART  
 HARELINGTON, CROWN  
 HAYES, BLUE ANCHOR  
 HILLINGDON, RED LION  
 HILLINGDON, STAR  
 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  
 WHITTON, WHITE HART  
 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 (Wills), 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 Lowestmoor  
 WORTHING, ALEXANDRA, Lyndhurst Road  
 WORTHING, VINE, Tarring High Street

Do you have difficulty in getting your copy of London Drinker? If so, please ask your local outlet to increase its order. It helps us greatly to know of increased orders before printing as we work to a tight budget. It also ensures that potential readers are not disappointed.

# WHAT REALLY GREAT PUBS!



*The Blue Ship, The Haven*



*The Stag Inn, Balls Cross*



*The Cherrytree, Faygate*

## JOIN THE KING & BARNES ALE TRAIL

With the summer months here at last, what better way of getting out and about than to use an **ALE TRAIL PASSPORT** as your guide to the glorious countryside of Sussex, Surrey and Kent?

In each of King & Barnes' individual Traditional English Pubs you will find a warm welcome, good food and FINE SUSSEX ALES.

Pick up an **ALE TRAIL PASSPORT** in any King & Barnes Pub (or write to The Brewery at the address below), and you are on your way to winning either an **ALE TRAIL CLUB** Dartington Pint Mug, or a specially emblazoned Sweatshirt.

All you have to do is to visit each Pub (in any order you like), buy a PINT of any of our FINE SUSSEX ALES, and then kindly ask the Bar

Staff to enter a House Sticker and date it in the space provided in your **ALE TRAIL PASSPORT**.

But there's no need to hurry – there's no closing date – so take your time and enjoy a leisurely pint in all of these individual Pubs. For obvious drink and drive reasons, no more than 4 pubs may be entered in the Passport per day. Remember be safe, don't drink and drive.

Over 1,350 people have already completed the ALE TRAIL, and currently 32 have been round more than 10 times. There are different coloured Sweatshirts denoting one, three, five, ten and fifteen TRAILS.

Finally don't worry if you don't manage to make it all the way round – at least you will have found some great pubs, met new friends, and enjoyed a few pints of FINE SUSSEX ALES.



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