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## Where to Buy London Drinker

The following is a list of all the current outlets for London Drinker. Full addresses are only given where there are two pubs of the same name in the same postal district.

### OUTLETS – EAST and SOUTH

#### EAST PUBS

EC1 ARTILLERY ARMS  
EC1 BISHOPS FINGER  
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EC1 ROSEBERRY  
EC1 SEKFORDE ARMS  
EC1 SHAKESPEARE  
EC1 SUTTON ARMS  
EC3 SWAN  
EC4 BLACK FRIAR  
EC4 CITY RETREAT  
E1 LORD RODNEYS HEAD  
E2 CAMDENS HEAD  
E6 MILLERS WELL  
E8 LADY DIANA  
E9 FALCON & FIRKIN  
E9 ROYAL STANDARD  
E10 DRUM  
E10 TAP & SPILE  
E11 GEORGE  
E13 VILLAGE  
E15 GOLDEN GROVE  
SE1 ANCHOR & HOPE  
SE1 COPPER  
SE1 FOUNDERS ARMS  
SE1 GEORGE INN  
SE1 GEORGE TAVERN  
SE1 GOOSE & FIRKIN  
SE1 GRAPES  
SE1 HORNIMAN AT HAYS  
SE1 KINGS ARMS  
SE1 MARKET PORTER  
SE1 OLD BRIDGE HOUSE  
SE1 PRINCE WILLIAM HENRY  
SE1 SHIP, 68 Borough Road  
SE1 ST GEORGES TAVERN  
SE1 ST JOHNS TAVERN  
SE1 TRINITY ARMS  
SE1 WELLINGTON TAVERN  
SE1 WHEATSHEAF  
SE1 WHITE HART, Cornwall Street  
SE3 BRITISH OAK  
SE3 HARE & BILLET  
SE3 PRINCESS OF WALES  
SE3 RAILWAY TAVERN  
SE5 PHOENIX & FIRKIN  
SE6 BLACK HORSE & HARROW  
SE6 TIGERS HEAD  
SE7 McDONNELLS  
SE8 CRYSTAL PALACE TAVERN  
SE8 DOG & BELL  
SE8 ROYAL GEORGE  
SE9 BANKERS DRAFT  
SE10 ADMIRAL HARDY  
SE10 ASHBURNHAM ARMS  
SE10 RICHARD I  
SE13 FOX & FIRKIN  
SE16 BLACKSMITHS ARMS  
SE16 MANOR TAVERN  
SE16 MOBY DICK  
SE18 COOPERS ARMS (Plaisted's)  
SE18 EARL OF CHATHAM  
SE18 MITRE  
SE18 ROSE'S (PRINCE ALBERT)  
SE18 VILLAGE BLACKSMITH  
SE19 ROYAL ALBERT

SE20 HOP EXCHANGE  
SE22 CRYSTAL PALACE TAVERN  
SE25 ALLIANCE  
SE25 GOAT HOUSE  
SE26 DULWICH WOOD HOUSE  
SE26 GREYHOUND  
ADDISCOMBE, CLARET WINE BAR  
BARKING, BARKING DOG  
BARKINGSIDE, NEW FAIRLOP OAK  
BECKENHAM, GEORGE INN  
BECKENHAM, JOLLY WOODMAN  
BEXLEY, BLUE ANCHOR  
CROYDON, ARKWRIGHTS WHEEL  
CROYDON, BEDFORD TAVERN  
CROYDON, BUILDERS ARMS  
CROYDON, DOG & BULL  
CROYDON, FIDDLER & FIRKIN  
CROYDON, GEORGE  
CROYDON, PRINCESS ROYAL  
CROYDON, ROYAL STANDARD  
CROYDON, SHIP  
ILFORD, GREAT SPOON OF ILFORD  
LOUGHTON, LAST POST  
PURLEY, FOXLEY HATCH  
SOUTH CROYDON, FIDDLER & FIRKIN  
SOUTH CROYDON, RAIL VIEW  
WALLINGTON, WHISPERING MOON  
**CLUBS**  
SE1 LENSURBY BAR, SHELL INTERNATIONAL  
SE9 HOWERD CLUB  
SE13 LEWISHAM LABOUR CLUB  
SE18 PLUMSTEAD RADICAL CLUB  
CROYDON, RUSKIN HOUSE

#### OFF TRADE

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 ENTERPRISE  
WC1 OLD MONK  
WC1 PAKENHAM ARMS  
WC1 PRINCESS LOUISE  
WC1 RUGBY TAVERN  
WC1 SUN  
WC1 THREE CUPS  
WC1 UNIVERSITY OF LONDON  
WC2 CROWN & ANCHOR  
WC2 FULMAR & FIRKIN  
WC2 GEORGE IV  
WC2 MARQUESS OF ANGLESEY  
WC2 MOON & SIXPENCE  
N1 129 UPPER STREET  
N1 COMPTON ARMS  
N1 EARL OF RADNOR  
N1 GEORGE & VULTURE  
N1 MALT & HOPS  
N1 MARQUESS TAVERN  
N1 PRINCE ARTHUR  
N1 WENLOCK ARMS  
N2 WELCH'S ALE HOUSE  
N4 OLD SUFFOLK PUNCH BOWL

N4 TAP & SPILE  
N4 WHITE LION OF MORTIMER  
N4 WORLDS END  
N6 OLD GATE HOUSE  
N7 HOLLOWAY  
N8 ELBOW ROOM  
N8 RAILWAY TAVERN  
N8 TOLL GATE  
N9 LAMB  
N10 SPOONS  
N11 BANKERS DRAFT  
N12 TALLY HO  
N13 WHOLE HOG  
N16 NOBODY INN  
N16 ROCHESTER CASTLE  
N16 SHAKESPEARE  
N17 CLUTTERBUCKS  
N17 ELBOW ROOM  
N17 NEW MOON  
N19 DOG  
N21 DOG & DUCK  
N21 HALF MOON  
N21 ORANGE TREE  
N22 STARTING GATE  
BARNET, MOON UNDER WATER  
BARNET, OLD MITRE  
COCKFOSTERS, TRENT TAVERN  
EDGWARE, BLACKING BOTTLE  
ENFIELD, MOON UNDER WATER  
ENFIELD, OLD WHEATSHEAF  
NEW BARNET, BUILDERS ARMS  
NEW BARNET, LORD KITCHENER  
NEW BARNET, RAILWAY BELL  
OUTLETS – NORTH WEST PUBS  
NW1 LORD NELSON  
NW1 QUINNS  
NW1 SPREAD EAGLE  
NW2 BEATEN DOCKET  
NW3 FLASK TAVERN  
NW3 THREE HORSESHOES  
NW4 CHEQUERS  
NW4 WHITE LION OF MORTIMER  
NW8 PRINCESS ROYAL  
NW9 J.J. MOONS  
NW9 MOON UNDER WATER  
NW10 COLISEUM  
NW10 GRAND JUNCTION ARMS  
NW10 OUTSIDE INN  
HAREFIELD, PLOUGH  
HARROW, MOON ON THE HILL  
HARROW WEALD, SEVEN BALLS  
HATCH END, MOON & SIXPENCE  
KENTON, NEW MOON  
NORTH HARROW, J.J. MOONS  
RUISLIP, J.J. MOONS  
SOUTH HARROW, J.J. MOONS  
WEALDSTONE, ROYAL OAK  
WEALDSTONE, SARSEN STONE  
WEMBLEY, J.J. MOONS

#### OFF TRADE

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

#### CLUBS

NW4 HENDON SOCIAL CLUB, Middlesex University Bus. School

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## EDITORIAL

This has been a depressing time for me looking back over the past year's drinking. There have been so many disappointments for London Drinkers in 1994/5, it is difficult to know where to begin. The Brewery closest to my heart is Youngs and this has been a year of variable beer and price increases as well to put the boot into their dwindling number of regulars. I just think back to the days when the company had simple aims – excellent, quality beer in decent pubs. The beer was also one of the cheapest in London.

Wetherspoons now are making that claim about the truly awful 'Scotch Bitter' and their tired range of beers is only enlivened at weekends by a small independent beer as a guest. However, these guests are usually sweet, strong beers, so often there is not a true bitter beer available at all. The company that holds a comparable position to Youngs in Manchester is Joseph Holt. The company still holds to the adage of good quality, cheap beer (96p) in decent surroundings with equally good profits. Oh, how the shareholders have benefited from this unenlightened traditional policy! The shares are almost unobtainable and cost a staggering £33 each. Such are the volumes of beer sold, that most are sold in 54 gallon hogsheads. They don't muck about discounting their beers to the Big Six Breweries to maintain volumes at the brewery. All expansion is carefully planned and is used to capacity to supply their tied houses. Supplies to the free trade are immediately stopped if they cannot keep pace with demand from their tied estate, most of them being packed with loyal regulars. It reminds me of most Young's pubs when I first acquired the taste of the 'amber nectar'.

Now, in London, I first and foremost seek a quality product and if the price is right as well-heaven! Apart from the Hop Back's Sultan, I have to look to the free trade and to the growing number of tied houses that are allowed to stock a guest beer of their choice. But even here, the beers of excellence are few and far between. One of the best must be Harvey's, where the most excellent Miles

Jenner, is liberated to brew the beer from his own chosen ingredients. None of this nonsense about having to buy the cheapest on the open market here! Miles has encouraged local farmers to grow the barley he requires and has started a new Sussex Hop Farm to produce solely for the Brewery. Just listening to the man enthuse about the ingredients and finished product is so refreshing. Apart from the occasional Fuller's product, I now have to wait for my favourite beers to appear at Free Houses or at Beer Festivals. I cannot think of a 'big six' beer worth enthusing about, with the honourable exception of the Highgate products. Draught Bass used to be superb in a couple of London outlets, but now this is a mere shadow of the great beer it once was.

So, now I wait with baited taste buds for the likes of Adnams, Bathams, Holdens, Nethergate, Crouch Vale, Woodfordes and Yates. More and more beers of quality are now being produced for the free trade, and, if the owner is not too greedy with pour-backs, or serving beer on delivery or on price swindles, then I would suggest to our readers to get out there and give them a go.

I do realise that a lot of our readers are very happy with Courage Best, Boddingtons, Wadworth 6X and Tetleys and good luck to you. All I ask is that you risk your taste-buds occasionally by trying an 'unknown' beer in a strange pub or at a beer festival. Some of the best pubs advertise in the magazine and they will always tell you in advance which products will be available on the date of your intended visit.

After all these ramblings, however, if I get a wonderful pint of Young's Ordinary or a pint of Fuller's Chiswick, I will stick like glue to the pub for as long as the quality lasts! It's my age I suppose!

**Chris Cobbold**

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## IDLE MOMENTS

Well, here we are at the beginning of another year, except that a month of it will have already gone by the time you read this. I trust that you had a good Christmas and that you have settled in to what I hope will be a happy and prosperous new year for all of us.

There, that's got the niceties out of the way; now it's time to get on with the usual nasties starting as ever with the number puzzles, but not until we've had last time's answers:

1. 5 Sea Areas are Named After Rivers (Forth, Tyne, Humber, Thames and Shannon)
2. 10 Points is the Value of the Z Tile in Scrabble
3. 4 Times Brazil has Won the World Cup
4. 13 Cards in a Bridge Hand
5. 8 is the Number of the Room Containing the Elgin Marbles at the British Museum
6. 122 Holes in a Crib Board
7. 4 Seasons by Vivaldi
8. 12 Downing Street is the Official Residence of the Government Chief Whip
9. 500 Pounds is the Deposit in a Parliamentary Election
10. 5 Boroughs of New York

So here they are then:

1. 41 S by WAM
2. 603 M from LE to JO'G (as the CF)
3. 25 A of QE the S on her A
4. 1066 D of E the C
5. 4291 VMTN
6. 5 Y is the A at which a FB a M
7. 35 is the MA for a P of the U
8. 100 L in a H
9. 30 was the FND in the FNL
10. 1937 C of KG the S

And here are the answers to December's brewery anagrams:

- |                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| 1. FAT STONE HERE | FEATHERSTONE |
| 2. RED IN 'ERE    | REINDEER     |
| 3. STAB NAME      | BATEMANS     |
| 4. D.S. RULED     | RUDDLES      |
| 5. ERA EIGHT      | HERITAGE     |

Sometimes, you know, it gets a bit difficult thinking up things to introduce the various bits of this column with. Just at the moment it is one of those times; the muse has deserted me (probably down the pub where I should be) so I shall just get on with this month's anagrams:

1. LOUD MAN'S
2. ABLE MONTH

3. BRETT KNEW LOU
4. STEP RON
5. SEAL DIED

I am calling this month's 5BY4 Kings and Other Royalty. It was going to be just Kings but some of the kings were just a bit too obscure (like one chart listing which reached No. 66) so I had to dig elsewhere in the excellent Guinness Book of British Hit Singles to which I am eternally grateful for helping with this column. All you have to do is match the songs with the artists (or groups); answers at the end as usual:

1. Prince
2. Jonathan King
3. Ben E. King
4. Princess
5. Dave King
6. King Brothers
7. Carole King
8. Solomon King
9. King
10. Queen
- A. Stand By Me
- B. Purple Rain
- C. She Wears My Ring
- D. Standing On The Corner
- E. Love And Pride
- F. Say I'm Your No. 1
- G. Memories Are Made Of This
- H. It's Too Late
- I. I Want To Break Free
- J. Everyone's Gone To The Moon

In case you haven't twigged yet, the numbers are the artists and the letters are the songs. And so on with the trivia, starting with (Yes, you've guessed) last time's answers:

1. In a foot; it is the ankle bone
  2. P.P. Arnold
  3. The name "Winston". It is their common second christian name while Winston Smith was the main character in 1984.
  4. A five-pointed star
  5. Millhouse
  6. Theodore Roosevelt
  7. Lymeswold cheese
  8. The Tynwald (the Isle of Man Parliament)
  9. King Arthur
  10. The Presbyterian Church of England and the Congregational Church in England and Wales.
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And here are this month's questions; I hope you don't find them all too easy:

1. If somebody has the letters MHK after his name where does he come from and what does he do?
2. In 1962 Bill Johnson raised the official world speed record for a motorcycle to 224.57mph. What make of engine powered his streamlined machine?
3. The World's largest was 122 feet 8 inches in diameter and it was made in Norwood, South Africa on 8th December 1990. The World's largest what?
4. Arthur Stanley Jefferson was born in 1890 in Ulverston. By what name is he better known?
5. Who designed the Monument?
6. What is the largest breed of terrier?
7. Hector Hugh Monroe (1870-1916) was a writer of satirical stories. What was his pen name?
8. What was introduced by the Corrupt Practices Act of 1883?
9. In 1930 Walter Sellar and Robert Yeatman published a book subtitled "A Memorable History of England". What was its title?

10. Which of London's hospitals is a parish in its own right?

And finally here are the answers to this month's 5BY4:

1-B, 2-J, 3-A, 4-F, 5-G, 6-D, 7-H, 8-C, 9-E, 10-I

And now the moment you've all been waiting for.

Byee!

**Andy Pirson**

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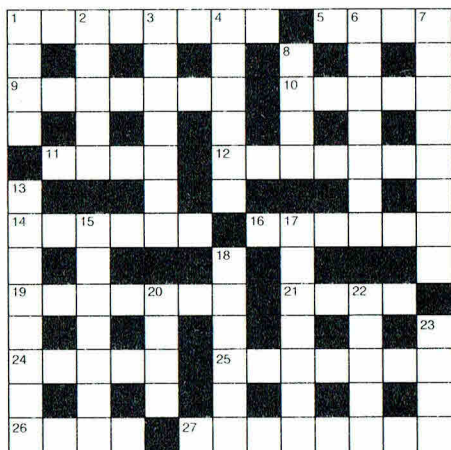
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# THE LONDON DRINKER CROSSWORD

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## ACROSS

1. Wins the children's game apparently. [8]
5. Prevent spot bursting. [4]
9. He leaves the money to make mischief. [7]
10. Time is tight. [5]
11. A vicar went back to her. [4]
12. East Midland couple show affection. [7]
14. Really unfairly denied. [6]
16. Provide group sex for robber. [6]
19. He laces up for the football team. [7]
21. Race round the pond? [4]
24. He takes plants for example in vehicle. [5]
25. Loud cry of protest at pleasure park. [7]
26. Soldiers' union is uncommon. [4]
27. They may be on or under train. [8]

## DOWN

1. Reticent, holds back quote. [4]
2. Beak accepts nothing but the rope. [5]
3. Bum gear? It may be taken. [7]
4. Drew the line on revolutionary eating fish. [6]
6. Drank at melting pot. [7]
7. Stops a couple of happenings? [8]
8. Hits back to kill. [4]
13. Find record finished. [8]
15. It may cut a water bed. [7]
17. A royal rank is put in order. [7]
18. Left the bad became legitimate. [6]
20. Hymn of the triumph of evil over good. [4]
22. Bit of Welsh a respectable person has. [5]
23. One river is a flower. [4]

Name .....

Address .....

All correct entries received by first post on 25th February will be entered into a draw for the prize.

Prize winner will be announced in the April 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 November Crossword:

Martin Weedon, Pinner, Middlesex.

Other correct entries were received from:

Paul Adams, Tony Alpe, Andy Camroux, A.P.Comaish, Big Eric and the Wickford Werewolf, Eileen Graves, Paul Gray, J.E.Green, Guy & Alison, P.Hopkinson, Terry Neill, Rab Noolas, Mick Norman, H.O'Connor, Nigel Parsons, Mrs. B.Smith, Bill Thackray, Robert Young.



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## WHICH BEERS WOULD YOU CHOOSE?

Did you know that there are now over 1100 real ales being regularly brewed. Compare this back to 1977, the year of the first Great British Beer Festival when only around 330 beers were being brewed and you can see how the choice for the beer loving public has grown.



But it's not all good news. Of the breweries known in 1977, 34 have shut and over 80 beers lost forever. In some cases the name of a beer may remain but it is produced elsewhere. Like good wine, change the environment that a beer is brewed in and the beer will never taste the same.

The first Great British Beer Festival boasted 136 beers from 76 breweries of which almost a quarter have now vanished. Despite the loss, every year new small breweries are being set up to take their place. In the last year there were 35 new ones. With this enormous choice, how does the Great British Beer Festival choose? Fortunately, with the increase in size, the beer order now

consists of over 300 real ales, which is almost a third of all real ales brewed. The Festival is a show case for British real ales and so the order is balanced by a breakdown of alcohol strengths and beer styles. This is to ensure that anyone going to the Festival can find a beer style

that they want to try. Then there is the geographical spread to allow representations from all parts of the UK. And finally, there is a balance between regional brewers, which are the most popular beers, and the small brewers who need more exposure.

Whether big or small, a beer is only ordered if the beer quality is known to be good, for bland, indifferent beer is no use to anyone. Every beer is cooled to ensure that the beer is tasted in the best possible condition. If you would like to come to the Beer Festival with the biggest choice of draught beers in the world, make a note in your diary now: 1-5th August 1995, Olympia, London. For more details and group rates phone 0727 867201.

## WILLIAMSON'S TAVERN HOSTS CHARITY PRESENTATION

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of London were in attendance at the Williamson's Tavern, Groveland Court, off Bow Lane, EC4 to accept a cheque for £2000 from Nicholson's Free Houses on behalf of the National Autistic Society.

The money was raised to support the Lord Mayor's Show at which Nicholson's Free Houses entered their own float. Prior to the show, collection boxes for the charity were distributed amongst the 42 Nicholson's pubs and restaurants where customers generously donated to this worthy cause.

The presentation of the cheque marked the launch of National Autism Week from the 4th-10th December which is dedicated to raising awareness about autism and the estimated 115,000 people affected by the condition in the UK.

The licensee of Williamson's Tavern, Ross McGilvery, a Freeman of the City of London himself, was delighted that the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of London were able to

drop in to the pub which stands on the original site of Mansion House. "It is always rewarding to see the Lord Mayor supporting local businesses and with the added charity aspect of the evening, both myself and all the staff at the pub were thrilled to play host to this prestigious event."



*Pictured from left are: Mr Peter Borg-Neal, Marketing Manager Taylor Walker, The Lord Mayor, Mrs Judith Henry, Appeals co-ordinator National Autistic Society, The Lady Mayoress and Mr Joe Boyle, Director of Nicholson's.*

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## PIGS EAR FESTIVAL

Once again thanks are due to those stout fellows (in more ways than one) that helped out at the festival to make it a success, all 86 of you.

The favourite beers of the festivals were:

**MILD:** dead heat in this category, Hop Back, Batemans and Old Mill Bitter. Not having a headbanger category to vote on Golden Pride (really a barley wine) and Butterknowle Banner came out top in this category.

**STOUT:** Hop Back followed by Orkney Dragonhead and Deep Shaft.

**PORTER:** Pickwick and Beer Engine tied.

**OLD:** Hardington followed by Xmas Noggin. Only six people bothered to fill out anything to do with cider and perry. **FOREIGN:** Two votes for the smoked foreign one.

**OVERALL BEER OF THE FESTIVAL:** considering Yates got only four and Summer Lightening three votes in the bitters category, it was surprising both these beers tied with eight votes for overall beer of the festival.

**BEER FOR NEXT YEAR:** Crippledick, it was ordered this year but was unobtainable. Second came Yakima Grande Porter. Surprising this considering there was a half page in October's What's Brewing on the brewery's demise! Not reading the WB these days then chaps? some asked for Youngs beers and we have tried in the past only to be told to pick it up from the brewery. In 1992 letters and phone calls went unanswered and we have not bothered since. One vote was for Uncle Igor's Famous Falling Over Water!

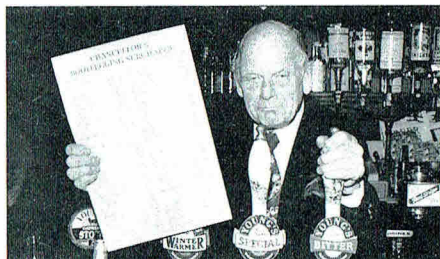
Finally, if you would like to see any changes at Pigs Ear there is always the opportunity to join the committee. This coming April at the AGM there will be several posts that need filling. Date and venue are to be confirmed but please turn up at the March meeting on the 6th which is to be held at the supporters of Leyton Orient Football Club, junction of Brisbane Road and Buckingham Road E10 at 8pm. One trusts they will still be in existence.

Keith Emmerson

## NEWS FROM YOUNGS BREWERY

The chairman of one of Britain's best known independent breweries is so angry about the Government's policy on beer duty that he has produced price lists openly accusing Chancellor Kenneth Clarke of helping cross-Channel bootleggers.

John Young, head of Young's Brewery in Wandsworth, South London, has emblazoned the words "Chancellor's bootlegging surcharge" in large red letters above the new prices, which came into effect on New Year's Day as a result of Mr Clark's post-Budget penny on a pint.



*John Young with the new price list that went up in his company's 180 pubs on New Year's Day.*

Mr Young, who has been at the forefront of a national campaign to persuade the Chancellor to cut duty, said: "Illegal imports of beer from the Continent are now running at a million pints a day.

"Duty on beer in Britain is a scandalous seven times higher than in France, and the latest increase makes it even more attractive for smugglers to flood the British market with cheap European brews.

"We have no alternative but to spell out exactly what effect the Chancellor's greed is having on the British brewing industry. Thousands of jobs are now threatened and many of Britain's valued pubs face permanent closure.

"We cannot stand silently by while the Government's only action is to support the French brewing industry and encourage smuggling."

## ENFIELD & BARNET PUB OF THE YEAR

At a meeting of the branch, held primarily to mark the launch of the 1995 Good Beer Guide, a presentation was made to Dave and Carol Beckett of the Moon Under Water, 148 High Street, Barnet, to commemorate the pub having been voted the branch's 1994 Pub of the Year.

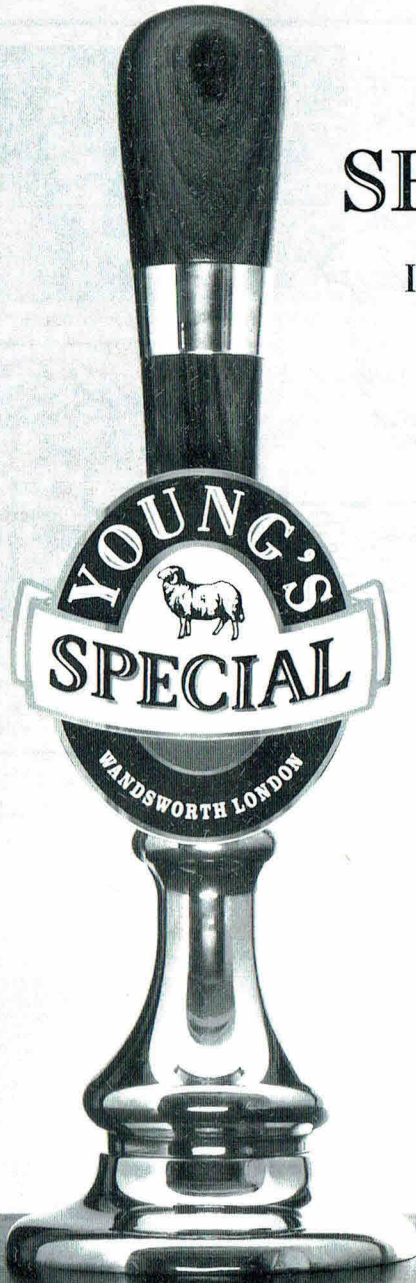


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## EXPRESS REBIRTH AT BRENTFORD

Good news for West London drinkers is that the Express Hotel in Kew Bridge Road, Brentford reopened on Thursday 8th December.

Since it was closed last March the exterior has been repaired and new indoor toilets have been added to the rear of the building, including one for the disabled. The word "Hotel" has been dropped in favour of "Tavern", but apart from that very little has changed. The interior has been spruced up where necessary but the layout, with the separate "Chiswick" bar, is unaltered. The pub remains free of games and music is so subdued that much of the time you would swear there is none (a Cliff Richard LP could be faintly heard at Christmas).



*This photograph shows the Express some time before it was closed for its refurbishment but visitors will notice how little the pub has been changed.*

The Express, built between 1794 and 1797 by Hawkes & Co., has been owned by the Aldington family since 1882 and when it closed there were concerns that it might be sold. Thankfully, this has not happened and Gordon and Elizabeth Rough have been brought in as managers.

As if the reopening itself were not publicity enough, Mrs. Rough ensured nationwide coverage of the event by giving birth on reopening night without even realising that she was pregnant! A 6lb 8oz boy resulted from what she thought were stomach cramps or indigestion.

As before the draught beers available at the express are Bass and Young's Bitter (still known in the pub as PA) and Special, plus currently Winter Warmer.

Roy Hurry

### *Editor's Reminiscences:*

*Those of us who have been around longer than we care to remember will recall that the Express was the pub where the old West London Branch of CAMRA used to meet on the last Wednesday of every month until it split into the current West London, West Middlesex and Richmond & Hounslow (then Richmond & Twickenham) Branches. Even after the split the last Wednesday remained the date for regular joint socials for a few more years - always at the Express. Now, of course, the last Wednesday of the month is the day set aside for the London Liaison meetings and London Drinker distribution - the choice of day is not completely coincidental.*

*Incidentally, I trust Roy will forgive my alteration to his text - the bar on the right (as you face the pub) was never called a public bar in my time as they did not have lower prices in there.*

*On a personal note, it was through being a regular visitor at the Express with an old college friend who lived round the corner that I was inveigled into joining the Campaign in the first place.*

**Andy Pirson**

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#### **THE OLD BELL TAVERN**

Fleet Street, EC4

#### **THE OLD THAMESIDE INN**

Pickfords Wharf, Clink Street, SE1

#### **THE PAXTONS HEAD**

Knightsbridge, SW1

#### **THE RED LION**

Lombard Court, EC3

#### **SOUTHWARK TAVERN**

Southwark Street, London SE1

#### **THE SHIP**

Talbot Court, EC3

#### **THROGMORTONS**

Throgmorton Street, London EC2

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#### **WALKERS OF WHITEHALL**

15 Whitehall, London SW1

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Groveland Court, Bow Lane, EC4



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## BRANCH DIARY

If your branch is not mentioned below, please ring the branch contact. Dates for February of which we have been notified are given below. Branches please send information to Andy Pirson. Branch contacts page 27

**CROYDON & SUTTON:** Wed 1 (8.30) Social. PRINCESS ROYAL, 22 Longley Road, Broad Green, Croydon - Mon 6 (8.00) Two Pub Social. ROSE & CROWN, Wallington Corner then DUKES HEAD, 6 Manor Road, Wallington - Thu 16 (8.00) South Norwood Crawl. Start PORT MANOR, 1 Portland Road then CHERRY TREES, 32 Station Road; ALLIANCE, 91 High Street - Thu 23 (8.00) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. DOG & BULL, 24 Surrey Street, Croydon. Please bring membership cards (GBG final selection) - Mon 27 (8.30) Firkin Social. FIDDLER & FIRKIN, 14 South End, Croydon

**EAST LONDON & CITY:** Mon 6 (8.00) Branch Meeting. ARTILLERY ARMS, Bunhill Row, EC1 - Tue 14 (6.00) "Not the ELAC Guide Pub Crawl. Start TRUSCOTT, 2/4 Curtain Road, EC2 then SIR PAUL PINDAR (7.00); PEWTER PLATTER (8.00), Folgate Street, E1 - Sun 25 (12.00) Sunday Crawl. Start BLACK BULL, 199 Whitechapel Road, E1 then LORD RODNEYS HEAD (1.00); WHITE HART (2.00), 1 Mile End Road - Mon 6 Mar (8.00) Branch Meeting. ORIENT F.C. SUPPORTERS CLUB, Brisbane Road, E10. Please bring membership cards.

**ENFIELD & BARNET:** Tue 31 Jan (9.00) Social. OLIVERS 2, High Road, North Finchley, N12 - Wed 8 (8.30) Informal Branch Meeting. CRICKETERS, 18 Chase Side Place, Enfield - Tue 14 (9.00) Social. PYMMES PARK INN, 56 Victoria Road, Edmonton, N9 - Thu 23 (9.00) Social & London Drinker Pickup. KINGS HEAD, Market Place, Enfield - Tue 28 (9.00) Two Pub Social. RAT & CARROT, 156 Colney Hatch Lane then SPOONS (10.00), 89 Colney Hatch Lane, Muswell Hill, N10.

**KINGSTON & LEATHERHEAD:** Thu 9 (8.30) Social. REGENT, Walton on Thames - Thu 23 (8.30) Branch Meeting. BREWSTER, Kingston (The Triangle).

**NORTH LONDON:** Tue 31 Jan (8.00) London Drinker Beer Festival Final Planning Meeting. WENLOCK ARMS, 26 Wenlock Road, N1 (Old Street BR/LT) - Wed 8 (8.00) Committee Meeting followed (8.30) by Branch & Good Beer Guide Final Selection Meeting. CALTHORPE ARMS, 252 Grays Inn Road, WC1 - Tue 14 (8.00) St. Valentines Social with West Middlesex Branch. J.J. MOONS, 553 Kingsbury Road, NW9 (Kingsbury LT) - Thu 23 (8.00) Social & London Drinker Pickup. 179 UPPER STREET, N1 (Highbury & Islington BR/LT) - Tue 28 (8.00) Leafletting Social. MARQUIS OF CORNWALLIS, 31 Marchmont Street, WC1 (Russell Square LT).

**RICHMOND & HOUNSLOW:** Thu 2 (8.00) Committee Meeting plus Good Beer Guide Short-listing. WATERMANS ARMS, Richmond - Thu 9 (8.00) Hounslow GBG Surveys. Start MOON UNDER WATER, then including CROSS LANCES (9.00); EARL RUSSELL (10.00) - Wed 15 (8.00) Isleworth GBG Surveys. Start KINGS ARMS, then including CASTLE (9.00); TOWN WHARF (10.00) - Mon 20 Branch Meeting and GBG Final Selection. TRIPLE CROWN, Richmond.

**SOUTH EAST LONDON:** Mon 6 (8.00) Committee Meeting. DUKE OF CLARENCE, 181 Camberwell Road, SE5 - Mon 13 (8.00) Branch Meeting. SHIP AGROUND, 33 Wolseley Street, Bermondsey, SE1 - Mon 20 (8.00) Catford Festival Meeting. ASHBURNHAM ARMS, 25 Ashburnham Grove, Greenwich, SE10 - Thu 23 (8.00) Social. MULBERRY BUSH, 89 Upper Ground, Stamford Street, SE1.

**SOUTH WEST ESSEX:** Thu 2 (8.30) Social. WHITE LION, Lion Hill (B1420), Fobbing - Wed 8 (8.30) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. PLOUGH INN, off Sabines Road, Navestock Heath (OS: TQ544961) - Thu 16 (8.30) Social. EASTBROOK HOTEL, junction Dagenham Road & Rainham Road South (A1112), Dagenham - Tue 21 (8.30) Social. RABBITS, Stapleford Road (B175) Stapleford Abbots - Sat 25 (10.30 at brewery) Brewery Trip to WOODFORDES, Woodbastwick, Norfolk. Details/bookings: Wendy Benson on Romford 723897 - Thu 2 Mar (8.30) Social. ROSE & CROWN, 31 Mill Lane (near A104), Woodford Green - Sat 25 Mar (10.30 at brewery)





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**SOUTH WEST LONDON:** Tue 31 Jan (7.30) Open Branch Committee & Festival Committee Meetings. PLOUGH, 518 Wandsworth Road, SW8 -Tue 7 (7.30) Beer Festival Publicity Crawls. Meet 7-8pm at WINDSOR CASTLE, 36 St Johns Hill, SW11, followed by Social at 10.00: BEEHIVE, 197 St Johns Hill, SW11 - Fri 24 (7.00) Post Festival Discussion & Social. HOPE & ANCHOR, 123 Acre Lane, SW2.

**WATFORD & DISTRICT:** Fri 3 (8.30) Photo Quiz; Spot That Pub. WEST HERTS SPORTS CLUB - Tue 7 (8.30) North Watford Social. HERTFORDSHIRE ARMS then VERULAM ARMS (9.15); NASCOT (10.00) - Wed 15 (8.30) Darts Evening. FOX & HOUNDS, Rickmansworth - Wed 22 (8.30) Bushey Heath Social. WINDMILL then DEVONSHIRE (9.15); BLACK BOY (10.00) - Sun 26 (8.30) Branch Committee Meeting. WEST HERTS SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB.

**WEST LONDON:** Sun 5 (12.00) Lunchtime Social. WARWICK ARMS, 160 Warwick Road, W14 - Tue 14 (8.00) GBG Selection Meeting. BEEHIVE, 7 Homer Street, W1 - Fri 24 (8.00) Two Pub Social. JACK HORNER, 236 Tottenham Court Road, W1 then RISING SUN (9.30), 46 Tottenham Court Road.

**WEST MIDDLESEX:** Thu 2 (8.30) Social. GOOD YARN, 132 High Street, Uxbridge. This is a new Wetherspoon outlet - Tue 7 (8.30) Social. GAYTON, Gayton Road, Harrow on the Hill - Wed 15 (8.30) Branch Meeting. CASE IS ALTERED, High Road, Eastcote - Thu 23 (8.30) Social & London Drinker Pickup. VIADUCT, 221 Uxbridge Road, Hanwell, W7 - Wed 1 Mar (8.30) Welcome Back Mr. A.K. Social. J.J.MOONS, Victoria Road, Ruislip Manor - Mon 6 Mar (8.30) Social. DUFFYS WINE BAR, 124 Pithanger Lane, Ealing, W5.

Deadline for the March edition, 1st February. Material for April to arrive by 1st March. **Please be sure to send all diary material to Andy Pirson.**

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## LONDON PUBS WITH A HEART

Six pubs that have raised a combined total of £56,000 in once year have reached the final of Pubs with a Heart, a contest to find the most generous licensees and drinkers in the London area.

They are the **Rose Inn**, in New Cross Road, New Cross; the **Thicket Tavern**, in Anerley Road, Crystal Palace; the **Black Horse**, in New Haw Road, Addlestone, Surrey; the **Richmond Arms**, in The Square, Richmond-upon-Thames; the **Albert Arms**, in Kingston Hill, Kingston-upon-Thames; and the **Swan**, in Fulham Broadway.

Pubs with a Heart, being run for the second year by the Association of London Brewers and Licensed Retailers, is aimed at rewarding pubs that raise money for charity and at the same time highlighting the vast amount of work carried out voluntarily by publicans and pub-goers.

The winner will receive an engraved plaque and £2,000 to give to a charity of the pub's choice.

The **Rose Inn** raised £6,700 for charity during the 12-month qualifying period, most

of it for the Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund, in memory of licensee Bonnie Davison's husband Harry, who died of cancer in 1991.

The **Thicket Tavern** handed over £14,125 to the Across Trust – which provides a specially adapted bus to take handicapped children to Lourdes – to the Rupert Bear ward at Mayday Hospital in Croydon and to local people in need.

Licensees Barry and Chris Stoakes and customers of the **Black Horse** staged a concert at the London Palladium at raise £17,172, most of it for an incubator appeal fund at St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey.

Regulars at the Richmond Arms contributed £4,380 to London Lighthouse and Body Positive.

Customer at the **Albert Arms** handed over £6,147 to the British Heart Foundation, from a London-to-Brighton cycle ride, and £1,062 divided equally between Children in Need and Age Concern.

Licensee Noreen Prendergast and customers of the **Swan** raised £6,200 for a variety of charities through music evenings in the pub.

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## WEST FEST 94

If, like me, you enjoy real ale, real music, real food and real people but find standing for hours in a huge concrete barn in London W14 in the middle of summer a strain, then perhaps the following alternative may inspire you to wander further afield next year (or you could be gross and do both as I did this year!).

On August Bank Holiday (A.B.H.) Saturday, I had cause to travel to Swindon to watch football. As on previous occasions this involved drinking excellent Arkells at the Black Horse in Wanborough and super Archers in the Glue Pot, Swindon, and then being bored rigid at the County Ground: Swindon 1 Watford 0 (yet again).

This year, however, I had noticed a small advert in "What's Brewing" for "West Fest 94" at Wiveliscombe over the A.B.H. Realising that Wiveliscombe is 'only' about 80 miles past Swindon I suggested to my mate Geoff that a visit to Somerset might just be the exercise his nice, new, comfortable, large car might need. Geoff saw through my pathetic ruse, but as he knows that Exmoor and Cotleigh breweries both reside in Wiveliscombe he instantly agreed to my idea.

After Swindon, we made one more mistake. We thought that Taunton might be an interesting drinking town – it isn't, although, to be fair, the GBG-listed pubs serve decent ale. One amusing incident occurred at the end of an interesting evening, however, when a landlord rushed around putting on a new barrel of Wadworth 6X just for us. We were most impressed until he told us that he always insists on the highest standards, so that is why he keeps his beers under nitrogen!!! This misguided soul shall remain nameless but his pub is the Black Horse.

Wiveliscombe is 10 miles from Taunton set prettily amongst the Somerset Hills (Quantocks I believe, if you'll pardon my language). Firstly we had to get the pronunciation of the place right. Would the emphasis be on the "Wiv", the "veli" or the "scombe"? One Taunton local further confused us by pronouncing it "Witheliscombe", but the general agreement is for Withel-IS-combe. All this proved totally and literally academic as everyone who lives in the town calls it "Wivvy".

Wivvy, then, is a typical small west-country town. A few thousand inhabitants, a school, a bank, two pubs, two hotels, a garage, a dozen or so shops. Untypically, though, it has these two independent breweries both working flat-out producing over 10,000 pints a week each.

West Fest is Wiveliscombe's annual community event. Over the past five years it has developed 'organically', i.e. to suit and reflect the interests of the local people. It now runs over four days and includes:

- (i) a summer fayre (or fête);
- (ii) two (count 'em) beer festivals, one housed in the unlikely surrounds of the school canteen with 30+ beers (mainly from small west-country breweries) and another housed in the Courtyard Hotel with 10 more beers;
- (iii) a fun run;
- (iv) a four day music festival with 10 acts performing rock, folk, cajun etc in the school hall;
- (v) barbecued food, including beer sausages
- (vi) a car boot sale;
- (vii) quizzes and games in the pubs;
- (viii) a cricket match and
- (ix) brewery tours.

All activities seemed well-organised and enthusiastically supported.

30-40 people attended the brewery tours, which took place on Sunday morning. Exmoor Brewery still resides in an old, large, dusty part of the ex-Hancocks brewery (closed 1959). They appear never to have had time to do anything other than trying to keep up with the demand for their excellent range of ales. The various vats and tuns were cobbled together with Meccano, string and hope in a delightfully Heath Robinson style. The products and hospitality were first-rate, however, with 'Gold', 'Old', 'Beast' (sic) and 'Summer Ale' available.

By chance Cotleigh used to lease another part of the Golden Hill brewery. They have long since moved 200 yards to a unit on a small industrial estate. Here, in complete contrast to Exmoor, everything is modern, computerised and painted. The two breweries share a dedication to excellence and the "Harrier" and "Old Buzzard" were again first-rate. We noticed no discord between the two fine brewing companies, merely mutual respect and pride in their products.

Geoff and I thoroughly enjoyed our visit to West Fest 94. The good people of Wivvy had obviously spent a long time preparing it and made us and the other visitors welcome. They said they were already preparing next year's event, so, if I've whetted your appetite, look out for the adverts next year or contact either of the breweries for details.

**John Garwell**

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**BARKING AND DAGENHAM**

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**BARKING DOG**

61 Station Parade, Barking, Essex

**LORD DENMAN**

270-272 Heathway, Dagenham

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**BARNET**

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**MOON UNDER WATER**

148 High Street, Barnet, Herts

**WHITE LION OF MORTIMER**

3 York Parade, West Hendon Broadway, NW9

**RAILWAY BELL**

13 East Barnet Road, New Barnet, Herts

**MOON UNDER WATER**

10 Varley Parade, Colindale NW9

**TALLY HO**

749 High Road, North Finchley, N12

**BLACKING BOTTLE**

122-126 High Street, Edgware, Middlesex

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**BEXLEY**

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**THE WRONG 'UN**

234-236 The Broadway, Bexleyheath, Kent

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**BRENT**

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**J J MOON'S**

553 Kingsbury Road, Kingsbury NW9

**OUTSIDE INN**

312-314 Neasden Lane, Neasden NW10

**J J MOON'S**

397 High Road, Wembley, Middlesex

**THE COLISEUM**

Manor Park Road, Harlesden, NW10

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**CAMDEN**

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**MAN IN THE MOON**

40-42 Chalk Farm Road, Camden NW1

**BEATEN DOCKET**

50-56 Cricklewood Broadway, Cricklewood NW2

**THREE HORSESHOES**

28 Heath Street, Hamstead NW3

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**CROYDON**

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**THE GEORGE**

17-21 George Street, Croydon, Surrey

**MOON UNDER WATER**

1327 London Road, Norbury SW16

**FOXLEY HATCH**

8-9 Russell Hill Road, Purley, Surrey

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**RED LION AND PINEAPPLE**

281 High Street, Acton, London W3

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**ENFIELD**

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**MOON UNDER WATER**

115-117 Chase Side, Enfield, Middlesex

**WHOLE HOG**

430-434 Green Lanes, Palmers Green N13

**HALF MOON**

749 Green Lanes, Winchmore Hill, London N21

**BANKER'S DRAFT**

36-38 Frien Barnet Road, New Southgate N11

**THE LAMB**

52-54 Church Street, Edmonton, N9



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**NOW**

- **The Square Peg**, Units 1, 2 & 3 Temple Court, Corporation Street, Birmingham
- **Moon and Stars**, 164-166 High Street, Penge SE20
- **Moon Under Water**, 44 High Street, Watford, Hertfordshire
- **The Regent**, 19 Church Street, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey
- **Masque Haunt**, Old Street, London EC2
- **The Falcon**, 9 Cornmarket, High Wycombe, Bucks

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**OPENIN**

- 109-111 Queensway, Petts Wood, Kent
- 201 Midsummer Boulevard, Bouverie Square, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire
- **The Moon Under Water**, 55-57 Lichfield Street, Wolverhampton
- The Commercial Rooms, Corn Street, Bristol

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**EPHING FOREST**

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**LAST POST**

227 High Road, Loughton, Essex

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**GREENWICH**

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**BANKER'S DRAFT**

80 High Street, Eltham SE9

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**HACKNEY**

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**ROCHESTER CASTLE**

145 High Street, Stoke Newington N16

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**HAMMERSMITH**

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**MOON ON THE GREEN**

172-174 Uxbridge Road, Shepherd's Bush W12

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**HARINGEY**

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**OLD SUFFORK PUNCH**

10-12 Grand Parade, Green Lanes, Harringay N4

**NEW MOON**

413 Lordship Lane, Tottenham N17

**ELBOW ROOM**

503-505 High Road, Tottenham N17

**TOLL GATE**

26-30 Turnpike Lane, Honesey N8

**ELBOW ROOM**

22 Topsfield Parade, Tottenham Lane, Crouch End N8

**GATE HOUSE**

1 North Hill, Highgate, London N6

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**HARROW**

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**J J MOON'S**

3 Shaftesbury Parade, Shaftesbury Circle, South Harrow, Middlesex

**MOON ON THE HILL**

373-375 Station Road, Harrow, Middlesex

**NEW MOON**

25-26 Kenton Park Parade, Kenton Road, Harrow, Middlesex

**MOON AND SIXPENCE**

250 Uxbridge Road, Pinner Middlesex

**SARSEN STONE**

32 High Street, Wealdstone, Middlesex

**J J MOON'S**

19-20 The Broadwalk, Pinner Road, North Harrow, Middlesex

**VILLAGE INN**

402-408 Rayners Lane, Pinner, Middlesex

**MAN IN THE MOON**

1 Buckingham Parade, Stanmore, Middlesex

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**HAVERING**

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**LAST POST**

Unit 3, 46-62 High Street, Hornchurch, Essex

**MOON AND STARS**

99-103 South Street, Romford, Essex

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**HILLINGDON**

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**J J MOON'S**

12 Victoria Road, Ruislip Manor, Middlesex

**MOON UNDER WATER**

10-11 Broadway Parade, Coldharbour Lane, Hayes, Middlesex



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- **The Playhouse**, 4 St John's Street, Colchester, Essex
- **The Good Yarn**, 132 High Street, Uxbridge, Middlesex
- **Harvest Moon**, 141-143 High Street, Orpington, Kent
- **Red Lion**, North Terminal, International Departures Lounge, Gatwick Airport
- **Golden Cross Hotel**, 20 High Street, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire

## G SOON

- **The Banker's Draft**, 28-32 Iron Gate, Derby
- 16-18 Whitehall, London SW1
- **The Moon Under Water**, Berkerly Centre, 15-19 Queens Road, Clifton, Bristol
- 86-88 High Street, Slough, Berkshire
- 68-74 Deansgate, Manchester

### JJ MOON'S

Terminal Four, (Airstide),  
Heathrow Airport, Hounslow, Middlesex

### WETHERSPOONS

Terminal Four, (Landside),  
Heathrow Airport, Hounslow, Middlesex

### MOON AND SIXPENCE

1250-1256 Uxbridge Road, Hayes End,  
Middlesex

### SYLVAN MOON

27 Green Lane, Northwood, Middlesex

### HOUNSLOW

### MOON UNDER WATER

84-86 Staines Road, Hounslow Middlesex

### JJ MOON'S

80-82 Chiswick High Road, Chiswick W4

### ISLINGTON

### THE DOG

17-19 Archway Road, Archway N19

### 179 UPPER STREET

179 Upper Street, Islington N1

### WHITE LION OF MORTIMER

125-127 Stroud Green Road, Stroud Green N4

### LAMBETH

### CROWN AND SCEPTRE

2a Streatham Hill, SW2

### THE BEEHIVE

407-409 Brixton Road, Brixton SW9

### LEWISHAM

### TIGER'S HEAD

350 Bromley Road, Catford SE6

### BIRD IN HAND

35 Dartmouth Road, Forest Hill SE23

### CITY OF LONDON

### HAMILTON HALL

Liverpool Street Station EC2

### MERTON

### WHITE LION OF MORTIMER

223 London Road, Mitcham, Surrey

### NEWHAM

### MILLER'S WELL

419-421 Barking Road, East Ham, E6

### GOLDENGROVE

146-148 The Grove, Stratford E15

### REDBRIDGE

### NEW FAILOP OAK

Fencepiece Road, Barking, Essex

### THE GEORGE

High Street, Wanstead E11

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## FROM OUR ARCHIVES

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO the pastel green cover of the 20 page February 1980 London Drinker bore a photograph of the Star & Garter by Kew Bridge, a Fuller house, to tie-in with an article on that company's history. This was written by Jim Scanlon to intersperse the series on the Big Six.

The introduction to "Drops in the Desert" read: "If you think that real ale is everywhere and that CAMRA has made itself redundant, hearken unto John Ward as he leads you through the barren wastes of North London." It covered Palmers Green (N.13) which only had 4 real ale pubs.

Godson's, the first of London's new breweries, had been in operation for a few months, and was going through all kinds of change. It had already stopped producing one beer — Anchor Bitter — and had one draught beer, Black Horse (o.g.1048). I quote one section of an article listing its 16 outlets: "Godson's are full of surprises. What other brewery produced a Jubilee Ale — in 1979? Did no-one tell them that Idi Amin had got the chop? Also, their bitter has tended to change in appearance and flavour almost from one week to the next, while a story went round that on one of their brews, they forgot to add the hops!"

In "WoT about the workers?", to quote: "B.J. Dickson takes a robust swipe at those who dare to come between a working man and his pint of real ale." One of his main points was that fake handpumps were being used to serve keg, passed off as real ale. His last paragraph read: "I am not a snob. I am a working class man who works in a factory, but I don't drink any old crap the breweries advertise heavily on TV. Surely, even the working man has got some mind of his own; and doesn't just drink lager because all his mates in the football club do?"

TEN YEARS AGO the "guest" colour on the covers of the 28 page February 1985 L.D. was yellow. The front featured a photograph of the King & Barnes dray emerging from the Horsham Brewery. The caption 'Awaydray to Horsham' drew the reader's attention to an article by John Gilbert, outlining a history of that company,

following a visit by the author and the Editorial Team some weeks beforehand. Our host at the time was the late Peter King, then Joint Managing Director, and, as he and I were friends, I join far more august writers in mourning his early death last year.

The back cover consisted of an advert for the first London Drinker Beer Festival, near St. Pancras Station.

The Editorial, in a sub-heading, used the phrase "CAMRA — the biggest pain in the arse." This was taken from an extract, which we re-print in full, from a local South London newspaper, using the words of an anonymous London licensee: "some governors put all the old slops back that have been hanging around the bar for hours, but I don't agree with that. You can put a couple of gallons of water in the barrel and nobody would notice. You can put two gallons of water in 22 gallons of beer without risk — that's £16. This gain is £16 for every 2 gallons of water in one session and that's £32 a day seven days a week. But you can do your trade in if you are not careful because some people like the CAMRA mob can tell the difference between a good pint and a bad one.

In fact they are the biggest pain in the arse you have ever come across to be quite honest. The normal average person can't tell the difference."

Chris Cobbold and Ian Worden, who penned the Editorial, discussed the various ways of "recycling" waste beer and watering casks, and pointed out that many landlords would have nothing to do with the practise.

In "Liquid Lunch", R.M.Rider (pen-name for a writer who did a great deal of travelling on the then ubiquitous Routemaster buses, i.e. R.M.s.) described a crawl "Up and down the City Road" — his sub-heading — visiting four pubs.

A Capital Mild Night was announced. At the venue, the White Horse, Parsons Green, Mitchell & Butler's Highgate Best (light) and Dark were offered at 50p a pint.

Hall & Woodhouse, of Blandford Forum, Dorset, had acquired four London houses — the Woodman, Battersea; the Railway

Tavern, Mortlake; the Eel Pie, Twickenham; and the King's Arms, Hampton Court.

In "Out of Town", Chris profiled the Blue Ship at The Haven, West Sussex.

The first (and, to the best of my knowledge only) London Drinker draw had taken place. The first three prizes were £1,000, £250 and £50 respectively, and 60 runners-up won a copy each of the 1985 Good Beer Guide.

The Battersea Brewery had introduced Nine Elms Mild (o.g. 1038-42) at 76p a pint. The advert concluded: "Lit by gas — we don't close during power cuts!"

The Argyll Arms, W1 was one of only two southern pubs among the six winners of the Pub Preservation Group's annual awards. The other was in Weybridge; both were Nicholson's pubs.

FIVE YEARS AGO, green featured on both covers of the February 1990 issue, and was also used on five other pages. The front cover bore the logo of the first Battersea Beer Exhibition — the Power Station with handpumps instead of chimneys. Details were in the content; and the Fuller's

Chiswick Bitter beermat with the splash "Fullers Chiswick Trail Card enclosed". This referred to the centre spread, a successor to the Fuller's passport, with space for stamps at 71 outlets of Chiswick — the prizes for those completing it were a special Passport Jug with two mugs for the first 200 and, thereafter, a "Fullers Goodie Bag full of gifts," the content of which was not stated. Six months were allowed for completion.

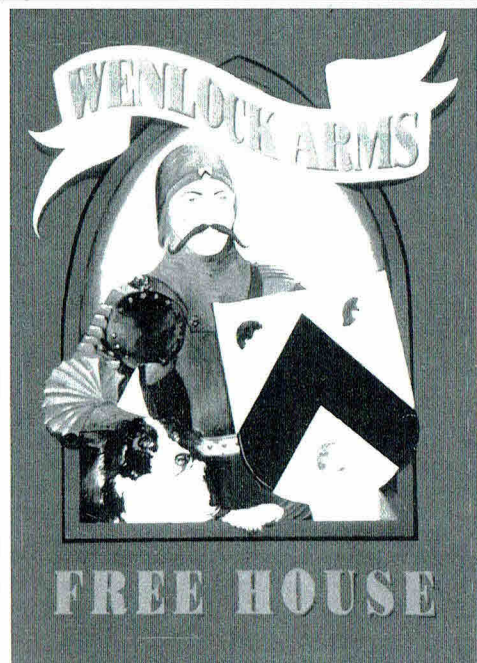
In his Editorial, Chris reflected on the content of a glass of beer, following an illness where certain substances were ruled out — but not beer.

Shepherd Neame had launched Bishop's Finger on draught, o.g.1051-5, ABV 5.4.

Ken Hubberd, of the Nottingham Branch, contributed "The New York Beer Scene", and Alma Books had just published "The Best Pubs in London" by Roger Protz. Finally, the back cover announced the forthcoming LD Beer Festival, whose predecessor was mentioned earlier in this article.

Until next time — cheers!

**Martin Smith**

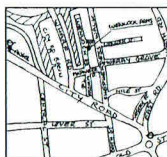


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The pubs will be located throughout the capital and will specialise in offering a range of superior cask-conditioned real ales including a Salmon and Hare Bitter at 99p a pint. Tetley Bitter, Burton Ale, Eldridge Pope, Thomas Hardy and a rotating guest ale from around the country. A selection of world wines are also available along with non-alcoholic drinks, tea and coffee.

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## NEWS FROM YOUNGS – THE PRINCE OF WALES

The Prince of Wales has been learning how to pull a pint.

He was given special tuition by Young's licensee Frank Egan when he visited the historic Dog and Bull in Surrey Street, Croydon.

The Prince went behind the bar after chatting to regulars and pulled a pint of Young's Special.



*"Is that a full pint?" asks the Prince of Wales, much to the amusement of licensee Frank Egan (left).*

Frank Egan said: "He didn't quite get the hang of it at first, but with a bit of coaching, he managed to do almost as well as his grandmother."

The Queen Mother pulled a pint of Special — and drank most of it — in another Young's pub, the Queen's Head at Stepney, seven years ago.

Prince Charles was visiting the Dog and Bull — dating back to 1431 and the oldest pub in Croydon — as part of a tour of the Surrey Street market.

The market traders' chairman, John Williams, said: "It was a chance for the Prince to meet the ordinary people, the people that make Croydon tick."

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## BREWERS GET GO AHEAD FOR PUB

The doors are set to swing open on a new pub for Morden after planning officials showed brewers the green light.

The hostelry is earmarked for a site within the Iceland development in Aberconway Road and will be one of the Wetherspoon chain.

Plans also include a new glass shop front which the council says will add to the vitality of the town centre.

The pub, on the former Odeon Cinema site, will be run within normal opening hours and employ 11 full-time staff.

Councillor Allan Jones, who helped pass the plans, said: "I'm very happy we've got a Wetherspoons pub coming to Morden. They are family orientated and are often run by husband and wife teams."

The pub will have limited parking spaces from the existing car park which holds more than 100 cars.

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## SOUTH-EAST LONDON PUB GUIDE

South-East London branch is pleased to announce that their Pub Guide is now on sale. The guide should have been available at the Catford Beer Festival in June, but was delayed due to a legal dispute between the branch, the printers and their sub-contractors.

Published in December 1994, the fully updated guide lists over 850 pubs, with details of the real ales on sale, and the facilities available. The cover price is £4.95 or £4 to CAMRA members.

The guide will be on sale at the Battersea Beer Festival, and can also be obtained from the Branch, please telephone the Branch Contact for further details.

**Andrew Padgham**

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## AN APOLOGY

We wish to apologise for a typographical error which crept into the November crossword. Owing to the fact that one of the editors was not paying proper attention when wielding his word processor, the clue for 16 across (MATS) was wrongly given as "Do they understand her?" instead of "Do they understand beer?"

Because the altered clue bore no relevance to the answer, all of the completed entries received were entered for the draw for the £10 prize.

We wish to emphasise that this was a typing error and in no way reflects on our crossword compiler, Dave Quinton, who has been giving excellent service for many years.

**Andy Pirson**



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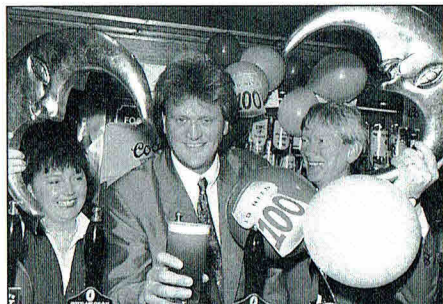
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## J D WETHERSPOONS NEWS RELEASE

J D Wetherspoons Chairman Tim Martin officially opened the company's 100th pub Moon Under Water at Watford, Hertfordshire on January 5th.

The pub cost £1 million to build and has been developed on the site of a former clothes store.



*Left to Right: Manager, Josie Kennedy, Tim Martin Chairman J D Wetherspoon, Liam Kennedy Manager*

Wetherspoon's has now set its sights on nationwide expansion and is aiming to have 250 pubs spread throughout the country by the year 2000.

Whilst the company has its foundations in Greater London, they expect to open pubs in Manchester, Derby, Bristol and Wolver-

hampton this summer, to add to the two new outlets in Birmingham and Bromsgrove.

To mark the 100th pub at Watford all Wetherspoon outlets served a specially brewed beer, Century Ale, for £1 a pint.

### BACK NUMBERS

To date 175 editions of London Drinker have been issued: back numbers of the following are available:

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

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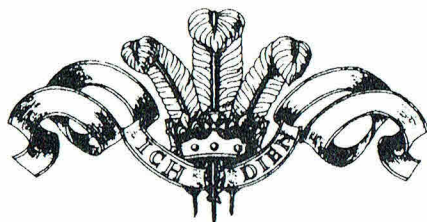
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## BEER BRIEFING

### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 99

A bumper period for new pub openings with a total of 17 recorded including four Wetherspoon Free Houses in the City, SE20 Penge, Orpington and Uxbridge; a Fullers "Ale & Pie" House in W1 Tottenham Court Road; five Davy's establishments selling real ale not previously reported; the third London Yates's Wine Lodge in Croydon; a Tap & Spile airside at Heathrow and a bar specialising in Belgian beers in Bromley. We have obtained information on London pubs now owned by various pub groups and details are included below. The much loved Express in Brentford has reopened.

The numbers in brackets after each entry refer to the page number in the following guides: E – East London & City Beer Guide, 3rd edition; K – 'Real Ale Drinkers Guide to Kent Pubs', 8th 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.

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

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

##### CENTRAL

**EC1, CITY PIPE**, 2 Foster Lane. Davy's: Old Wallop. A basement 'Ale & Port' House in typical Davy's style with emphasis on wine and food, dark wood fittings and sawdust strewn floorboards. 'Old Wallop' sold in pewter tankards and believed to be Courage Directors Bitter. Opens 11.30-3.30, 5-8.30 Mon-Fri, closed weekends.

**EC1, MASQUE HAUNT**, Courage: Directors Bitter. Theakston: Best Bitter, XB. Wadworth: 6X. Younger: Scotch Bitter. Guest beer. Large spacious corner Wetherspoon Free House opened in December 1994 and created in ground floor of office/workshop building. Figures of the Hamlet (Hamlet's father, the King of Denmark) and Ophelia from Hamlet passing through pillars near the entrance reflect the thespian and ghostly theme. The building stands on part of the site of Bunhill Cemetery in which notable actors and entertainers were buried. Local history panels provide the details. Raised no smoking/eating area at rear. Food. Disabled toilet. Open all permitted hours.

**EC3, SIMPSONS**, Lloyds Avenue. No real ale. A Free House/wine bar now selling keg beer on draught.

**W1(F), JACK HORNER**, 236 Tottenham Court Road. Fuller: Chiswick Bitter, London Pride, ESB, Mr Harry (winter). Latest Fullers 'Ale & Pie House' in former Barclays Bank premises. Furnished in traditional style with wood panelled walls adorned with miscellaneous pictures, polished floorboards, smoked glass partitions, tiled bar area and chandelier. Wine racks are out of reach near ceiling height. Newspapers available. Food until 9pm. Disabled toilet. Open Mon-Sat 11-11, Sun 12-3, closed Sun evening.

**WC1, TRUCKLES (OF PIED BULL YARD)**, Pied Bull Yard, off Bury Place. Davy's: Old Wallop. 'Davy's Ale, Port & Steak House' in area of infill development. Real ale only in basement bar decorated in traditional Davy's style (see EC1 Clay Pipe above). Open 11.30-9 Mon-Fri, closed weekends.

##### EAST

**BARKING, COLONEL JASPERS**, 15B Longbridge Road. Colonels: Old Jollop. Davy's 'Wine, Steak & Ale House' next door to Davy's owned SPOTTED DOG. Emphasis on food. Beer is believed to be Courage Directors Bitter.

##### NORTH

**N1, CARDEWS**, 382 Essex Road. Reopened and renamed **GEORGE ORWELL**. Boddington: Bitter. Flowers: IPA. Fuller: London Pride. Marston: Pedigree. Morland: Old Speckled Hen. Originally **NORFOLK ARMS**. (N39, U52, U88)

**N1, LEOPOLD BLOOMS**, 196 Essex Road. Renamed **DISGRACELAND**. Fuller: London Pride. Guest beer. Jazz until 2am Friday. Formerly **SPECULATOR**, previously **JERSEY**, originally **THREE BREWERS**. (N35, U36, U52, U54)

**N10, CAFE TOTO**, 390/392 Muswell Hill Broadway. No real ale. A Free House/cafe bar in former shop premises.

##### NORTH WEST

**NW2, LUCKY 7**, 7 Cricklewood Lane. No real ale. A Free House in former shop premises.

##### SOUTH EAST

**SE1, COOPERAGE**, 48-50 Tooley Street (entrance in Stainer Street). Davy's: Old Wallop. Davy's establishment in typical style in arches under London Bridge Station. Emphasis on wine & food, beer believed to be Courage Directors Bitter served in pewter mugs. Open 11.30-9 Mon-Fri, closed weekends.

**SE1, MUG HOUSE**, 1 Tooley Street. Davy's: Old Wallop. Davy's 'Ale & Port Dining Rooms' created in typical style in arches under London Bridge Station Approach. Beer believed to be Courage Directors Bitter. Open 11.30-3.30, 5-8.30 Mon-Fri, closed weekends.

**SE8, BRADY'S BAR**, 198 Lower Road. Reopened and reverted to **RED LION**. Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SE72, U46, U59, U92)

**SE8, CROWS NEST**, 206 Grove Street. No real ale. H unused. Reopened. (SE69, U92)



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## BEER BRIEFING

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**SE8, OLD MANOR HOUSE**, 58 Bush Road. Young: Bitter. Special. Guest beer. Reopened as a Free House, ex Charrington. (SE71, U72)

**SE20, MOON & STARS**, 164-166 High Street, Penge. Courage: Directors Bitter. Theakston: Best Bitter, XB. Wadworth: 6X. Younger: Scotch Bitter. Guest beer. A brand new Wetherspoon Free House opened in Dec 1994, built on site of former cinema, latterly a bingo hall. The frontage and entrance attempts to recreate the cinematic style and a 'Wizard of Oz' theme has been created within. A figure of Dorothy flies overhead near the entrance, above a sculpture of her Lion companion. Paintings of the Tin Man and Straw Man feature in an alcove. Usual Wetherspoon decor with false fireplaces and local history panels. No smoking/eating area at rear opens out on to small brick patio. Food. Disabled toilet. Open all permitted hours.

**BROMLEY, ABBAYE**, Queens Gardens, The Glade. No real (British) ale. A Belgian Brasserie-Bar under shopping mall. Sells four Belgian keg beers on tap including Hoegaarden Wit, Bellevue Kriek and Leffe Blonde plus a range of bottled beers including bottle conditioned Trappists, Duvel, Witkap Triple etc. Separate bar and restaurant areas.

**BROMLEY, HENRYS**, 2/4 Ringers Road. No real ale. A Greenalls owned cafe-bar/Free House.

**CROYDON, YATES'S WINE LODGE**, 3-11 High Street. Boddington: Bitter. Courage: Directors Bitter. John Smith: Bitter. New Yates's Free House (the third in London) in typical decorative style in former bank premises. Multi coloured ceilings, bright lights, wine casks and tiled bar area all feature. Garden at rear, food until 7pm. Live music in evenings. Disappointing beer range. Open all permitted hours.

**ORPINGTON, HARVEST MOON**, 141-143 High Street. Courage: Directors Bitter. Theakston: Best Bitter, XB. Wadworth: 6X. Younger: Scotch Bitter. New Wetherspoon Free House opened in December 1994 in former shop premises. The name reputedly refers to the benefit to harvesters from British Summer Time whose inventor was a local resident. A sculpture of a lady bearing harvest products stands near the entrance. Usual formula with alcoves, no smoking/eating area at rear and .... dusty books. Local history panels and photos of old Orpington adorn the wood panelled walls. Food. Open all permitted hours.

### WEST

**BRENTFORD, EXPRESS HOTEL**, Kew Bridge Road. Reopened and renamed **EXPRESS TAVERN**. Bass. Young: Bitter, Special, Winter Warmer (in season). A welcome reopening for this long standing real ale Free House. The landlady gave birth upstairs unexpectedly on the opening night thus providing national publicity. (W97, U92)

**HEATHROW AIRPORT, TAP & SPILE**, Terminal 1 (Airside). Adnams: Bitter. Ruddle: County. Tetley:

Bitter. Wadworth: 6X. Guest beers including the Marstons "Brewers Choice" range. New bar in departure lounge and open only to air ticket holders. At balcony level and approached by spiral staircase. Snacks and hot food available. Open from 6am until last flight departs between 11pm and midnight every day.

**UXBRIDGE, GOOD YARN**, 132 High Street. Courage: Directors Bitter. Theakston: Best Bitter, XB. Wadworth: 6X. Younger: Scotch Bitter. Another Wetherspoon Free House opened in December 1994 in former menswear shop premises whose antecedents supplied tailored goods to Queen Victoria. A long narrowish dark wood panelled bar extends into a raised no smoking/eating area at the rear. Local history panels, coloured glass ceiling light, mirrors, fake fireplaces and more dusty books complete the picture. Food. Open all permitted hours.

### PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE

#### CENTRAL

**EC1, ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM**. Taylor Walker, now demolished. (E23, U79)

#### EAST

**E1, ARKWRIGHTS**. Now Anchor Estates, ex Grand Met (Watney), closed, for sale. Formerly ANCHOR & HOPE. (E60, U83)

**E1, CROWN & SCEPTRE**. Shepherd Neame, closed, future uncertain. (E64)

**E2, PENNY FARTHING**. Free House, closed, future uncertain. (E83, U75)

**E2, PRINCE OF WALES**, 1 Teale Street. Free House (Magic), closed, future uncertain. (E84, U98)

**E4, ROYAL FOREST HOTEL**. Free House, closed, future uncertain. (E97)

#### NORTH WEST

**NW2, PRODUCTION VILLAGE**. Charrington. No real ale. (N130, U33)

**NW8, BLENHEIM**. Green King, closed, future uncertain. (N155, U63)

**NW8, KNIGHTS OF ST. JOHN**. Charles Wells, closed, future uncertain. (N157, U63)

**NW8, ROSSETTI**. Fuller, now fully demolished. (N158, U98)

**WEMBLEY, VILLAGE INN**. Grand Met (Truman), H unused. (W159, U78, U79, U86)

#### SOUTH EAST

**SE8, ROUND THE BEND**. Renamed **NOBODYS INN**. Free House. No real ale, H unused. Formerly BRADLEYS BAR, originally HARP OF ERIN. (SE68, U46, U74, U88)

**SE14, CROWN**. Free House (Labatts). H removed. (SE109, U95, U97)

#### SOUTH WEST

**SURBITON, PLOUGH**. Grand Met (Courage), closed and demolished. (SW74)

#### WEST

**W2, CLUTTERBUCKS (ALE HOUSE)**. Taylor Walker, closed, boarded up, future uncertain. Formerly WHEATSHEAF. (W64, U89)



## BEER BRIEFING

### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 99 *continued*

#### **HAMPTON HILL, DUKE OF WELLINGTON.**

Free House, now converted to flats. (W105, U44, U48)

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

**EC1, HARLEQUIN.** Now an Ascot estates pub, ex Grand Met (Watney). (E17)

**EC1, THREE COMPASSES.** Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (E25, U75)

**EC3, CITY FOOD & ALE HOUSE,** 1 Seething Lane. -Fuller: London Pride. -Green King: Abbot Ale. +Adnams: Bitter.+Boddington: Bitter. A Richardson Free House. Note correct title and full address. (E39)

**EC3, EAST INDIA ARMS.** -Young beers, +Adnams: Bitter. +Bass. +Fuller: London Pride. +3 Guest beers, currently Green King: IPA; Hancock: HB and Marston: Pedigree. Closes 10pm Mon-Fri and all weekends. Now reverted to Bass (Charrington), ex Young. (E40, U98)

**EC3, JAMAICA WINE HOUSE.** - Beers listed. +Flowers: IPA. +Fremfins: Bitter. (E40, U69)

**EC3, SHIP,** 3 Hart Street. - Younger: No. 3, Scotch Bitter. +Theakston: Masham Ale (6.7%) (Winter). (E42)

**EC4, RISING SUN.** Renamed **HEDGEHOG & HOGSHEAD.** -Ruddle: County. +Belchers: Best Bitter.+Courage: Directors Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. +Weston: Cider. Ex Truman pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (E53)

**W1(Mar), GOLDEN EAGLE.** -Timothy Taylor: Landlord. +Boddington: Bitter. (W34, U66, U89, U90, U98)

**W1(May), GROSVENOR ARMS.** -Green King: IPA. +Theakston: Best Bitter. (W39, U50, U90)

**W1(May), RUNNING HORSE.** -Courage: Best Bitter. +Theakston: Best Bitter. (W40, U90)

#### **EAST**

**E1, BRITANNIA,** 44 Morris Street. Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E62)

**E1, HENRYS** Is a Greenalls owned Free House. (E67)

**E2, ACORN.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E77)

**E2, BRITANNIA.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. Formerly CHILTONS. (E79, U70, U89)

**E2, CROWN.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E80)

**E2, DOVER CASTLE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E80, U70)

**E2, DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE,** 25 Cambridge Crescent. Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E80)

**E2, EARL GREY.** Confirmed now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E80, U98)

**E2, GLOBE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E81, U75)

**E2, HALFWAY HOUSE.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (E81)

**E2, JOINERS ARMS.** Now Ascot Estates and not Ascot Taverns as reported in Update. (E81, U94)

**E2, ROYAL ALFRED.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E84)

**E2, ROYAL OAK.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E84)

**E2, SPORTSMAN.** Free House now operated by Ascot Estates. (E85, U70)

**E2, STICK OF ROCK.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E85, U70, U89)

**E2, THREE LOGGERHEADS.** Now an Ascot Estates pub ex Grand Met (Watney). Formerly TURTLES. (E85, U98)

**E3, ALBERT.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E87, U98)

**E3, BRIDGE HOUSE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E89, U98)

**E3, GEORGE & DRAGON.** Renamed **NEW COTTON INN.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E90)

**E3, IMPERIAL CROWN.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (E90, U89)

**E3, LORD TREDEGAR.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (E91, U79, U91)

**E3, OLD DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E91, U72, U80)

**E3, ROSE OF DENMARK.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E93)

**E5, HOPE & ANCHOR.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E100, U85)

**E5, JUBILEE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E100)

**E5, SHAMPS.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E101, U70)

**E5, THREE SISTERS.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E101)

**E8, FLORFIELD ARMS.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E113)

**E8, MARKET HOUSE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E114)

**E8, NINETEENTH HOLE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E114)

**E8, ROBIN HOOD.** Free House now operated by Ascot Estates. (E116)

**E8, ROSIE O'GRADYS.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E116)

**E8, ROYAL OAK.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E116)

**E8, UNCLE SAM'S.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E116)

**E9, DAGMAR ARMS.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E120)

**E9, DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E120)

**E9, DUKE OF DENVONSHIRE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E120)

**E9, PLOUGH.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E121)

**E9, STAG.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E122)

**E12, STAR.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E133, U85)

## BEER BRIEFING

### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 99 continued

**E14, CHIMES.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Grand Met (Watney). (E143)

**E14, GAMBOLS.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. Formerly SABBARTON ARMS. (E148, U69)

**E14, LORD STANLEY.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Grand Met (Watney). (E146, U81)

**E14, MANOR ARMS.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Grand Met (Watney). (E146)

**E14, PRINCESS OF WALES.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E147)

**E14, ROYAL NAVY.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E148)

**E14, WELLINGTON ARMS.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Grand Met (Watney). (E149)

**E15, CHEVY CHASE.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (E153)

**E15, LOCK 'N' BARREL.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E154)

**E16, NEW SHAKESPEARE.** Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. Formerly SHAKESPEARES HEAD. (E161, U81)

**E16, ROYAL OAK.** 83 Woodman Street. Now Ascot Estates, ex Belhaven. (E160)

**WOODFORD GREEN, TRAVELLERS FRIEND.** Well established Free House now owned by Grosvenor Inns, ex C H Websters. (X114)

### NORTH

**N1, COCK TAVERN.** Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (N30, U89)

**N1, NAGS HEAD.** Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (N38)

**N1, SLUG & LETTUCE.** Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (N43)

**N1, UNICORN.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (N46)

**N4, WORLDS END.** Now a Grosvenor Inns Free House, formerly Marlers Liberty Inns, originally the EARL OF ESSEX. (N53, U59)

**N5, Highbury Barn Tavern.** Now a Greenalls owned Free House. (N56)

**N6, BLACK ROSE.** Now a Greenalls owned Free House. (N58)

**N10, FLANAGANS VILLAGE BAR.** 260 Muswell Hill Broadway. Renamed **RITCHIES.** -Beers listed. +Courage: Directors Bitter. +Wadworth: 6X. +Young: Special. Now Greenalls owned. (U34)

**N10, SWISS CHALET.** 258 Muswell Hill Broadway. Renamed **TAP & BARREL (SWISS VILLAGE).** -Fuller: London Pride. -Whitbread: Best Bitter. +Flowers: Original Bitter. +Young: Special. (N78, U34, U87)

**N17, SAMS FREE HOUSE.** Renamed **PERRYS.** Now a music venue. (N98)

**N18, CHEESE & ALE HOUSE.** Reverted to **THREE CROWNS.** "Cheese & Ale House" also displayed outside but more as a theme. (N100, U75)

### NORTH WEST

**NW3, O'HENERYS.** Now a Greenalls owned Free House. (N136)

**NW6, CANTERBURY ARMS.** 88 Canterbury Road. Renamed **SHAMROCK.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. Note full address. (N149)

**NW8, PRINCESS ROYAL.** -Beers listed. +Bass. +Worthington: Best Bitter. (N158, U51, U73, U90)

**NW9, GREEN MAN.** Ex Truman pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (N160)

### SOUTH EAST

**SE1, ANCHOR.** +Adnams: Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. (SE15)

**SE1, BAR CENTRAL.** Is a Grosvenor Inns 'Belcher' Free House. (SE35, U92)

**SE1, BRITANNIA.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (SE18, U59)

**SE1, DUKE OF WELLINGTON.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (SE21)

**SE1, KING WILLIAM IV.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker (Friary Meux). (SE27, U54)

**SE8, HOAHS ARK.** +Courage: Directors Bitter. +Young: Bitter. Special. Now a Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE71)

**SE11, BLACK PRINCE.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (SE90, U97)

**SE23 MALT SHOVEL.** Now a Greenalls owned Free House. (SE177, U50, U64)

**SE25, CHERRY TREES.** -Boddington: Bitter. -Ruddle: Best Bitter. +Courage: Best Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. +Morland: Old Speckled Hen. (SE184, U46, U82)

**SE25, CLIFTON ARMS.** -Beers listed except Ind Coope: Burton Ale and Tetley: Bitter. +4 Varying guest beers (e.g. from Arundel, Brewery-on-Sea, Fullers and King & Barnes breweries). (SE184, U56)

**SE25, PORTMANOR.** -Beers listed except Green King: Abbot Ale and Young: Special. +3 Guest beers generally from micro breweries (e.g. Cheriton, Goddards, Wickwar). (SE185, U62)

**BROMLEY (SUNDRIDGE PARK), TEASEL.** Renamed **HUNGRY HORSE.** -Beers listed. +Bass. +Boddington: Bitter. +Flowers: Original Bitter. +Webster: Green Label Bitter. (SE220, U59, K164, U98)

**CROYDON, GRAIN & GRAPES.** -Green King: Rayments Special. +Theakston: Old Peculier. Formerly **DUCK, KEMBERS, WESTSIDE** and **BARREL & BELLY!** (SE252, U52, U94)

**CROYDON, SHIP.** -Beers listed. +Boddington: Bitter. +Flowers: IPA. +Fuller: London Pride. +Wadworth: 6X. +Up to 3 guest beers (e.g. Arkells, Elgoods and Palmers). (SE250, U60)

### SOUTH WEST

**SW1(P), SLUG & LETTUCE.** Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (SW16, U88)

**SW1(SJ), COMEDY.** Now a Greenalls owned Free House. (SW12)





## **THE BEST OF BEER**

### **The 1993 Good Beer Guide Comments**

#### **BADGER BEST BITTER**

(OG 1041 ABV 4.1%)

*The taste is strong in hop and bitterness, with a hint of malt and fruit. A hoppy finish with a bitter edge, a fine best bitter.*

#### **TANGLEFOOT**

(OG 1048 ABV 5%)

*An award winning, straw-coloured beer with full fruit character throughout, malt is also present in the aroma and taste, whilst the finish is bittersweet, Dangerously Drinkable.*

## **THE BEST OF PUBS**

#### **THE KINGS ARMS**

Hampton Court  
East Molesey

#### **NEWT AND FERRET**

Fairfield South  
Kingston

#### **EEL PIE**

Church Street  
Twickenham

#### **WOODMAN**

60 High Street  
Battersea

#### **RAILWAY TAVERN**

Sheen Lane  
Mortlake

#### **COACH & HORSES**

The Street  
Rotherwick  
Hants

#### **DOG & DUCK**

Outwood,  
Nr. Redhill  
Surrey

#### **ARCHERY TAVERN**

4 Bathurst Street  
Lancaster Gate

#### **SUN INN**

Bridge Street  
Godalming  
Surrey

## BEER BRIEFING

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**SW1(W), PAVIOURS ARMS.** -Brakspear: Mild. +Timothy Taylor: Landlord#. (SW17, U33)

**SW6, SLUG & LETTUCE.** Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. Formerly KINGS HEAD TAVERN. (SW29, U45, U63)

**SW8, CROWN & THISTLE.** Renamed **VASCO DA GAMA.** Now owned by Sycamore Taverns, ex Friary Meux. (SW33, U60)

**SW10, WORLDS END DISTILLERY.** -Beers listed except Wadworth: 6X. +Courage: Directors Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. +Morland: Old Speckled Hen. +Ruddle: Best Bitter. Now part of Harvey Floorbanger chain. (SW38, U34, U80)

**SW11, GALLEON.** Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. Formerly **LORD RANELAGH.** (SW40, U34, U61)

**SW15, SLUG & LETTUCE.** Is a Grosvenor Inns Free House. Formerly **WHITE LION.** (SW48, U51, U56, U62, U66, U86)

**SW15, SLUG & LETTUCE.** Is a Grosvenor Inns Free House, ex Watney. Formerly **OLD EAST HILL.** (SW53, U55, U61, U78, U85)

**SW19, HORSE & GROOM.** 131 High street, Merton. Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (SW55, U36, U59, U71, U92)

**KINGSTON, DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.** Renamed **DUKE TAVERN.** (SW65)

**KINGSTON, LIVERPOOL ARMS.** Renamed **LADY JANE.** -Beers listed. +Samuel Smith: OBB. +Webster: Green Label Bitter. Now a Free House, ex Courage. (SW66)

**NEW MALDEN, PRINCE OF WALES.** Ex Truman pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (SW70, U58, U60)

### WEST

**W2, SLUG & LETTUCE.** Ex Watney pub leased to Grosvenor Inns and retaining Courage tie. (W63)

**W4, GEORGE IV.** +2 Guest beers. (W69, U53)

**FELTHAM, CROWN & SCEPTRE.** -Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. +Courage: Directors Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. +Theakston: Best Bitter, XB. (W100)

**FELTHAM, ROSE & CROWN.** Now a Grosvenor Inns Free House, ex Watney. (W100, U80)

**HAMPTON WICK, WHITE HART.** +2 Guest beers. (W106)

**HOUNSLOW, BELL.** +John Smith: Bitter. (W126, U52, U80, U95)

**HOUNSLOW, COACH & HORSES.** -Ruddle: Best Bitter. +Theakston: XB. Now Scottish & Newcastle, ex Grand Met (Watney). Formerly **BARNABY'S.** (W126, U68, U95)

**HOUNSLOW, DUKE OF WELLINGTON.** Renamed **HUNGRY HORSE (WELLINGTON'S).** (W126, U91, U98)

**HOUNSLOW, DUKE OF YORK.** 672 Hanworth Road. -Ruddle: Best Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. +Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (W126)

**HOUNSLOW, FRIEND IN HAND.** -Boddington: Bitter. -Flowers: Original Bitter. +Morland: Old Speckled Hen. +Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (W126, U62, U63, U77, U82, U91)

**HOUNSLOW, HUSSAR.** +Webster: Green Label Bitter. (W126, U56, U75, U91)

**HOUNSLOW, LORD CLYDE.** -Fuller: London Pride. -Morland: OB. +Bass. +Morland: Independent IPA, Old Speckled Hen. (W128, U77)

**HOUNSLOW, MOON UNDER WATER.** -Wadworth: 6X. +Morland: Old Speckled Hen. (U62, U92)

**HOUNSLOW, NORTH STAR.** -Courage: Directors Bitter. +Courage: Best Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. (W128, U53)

**HOUNSLOW, RIFLEMAN.** -Beers listed. +M&B: Highgate Dark. +Worthington: Best Bitter. (W128, U89, U91)

**HOUNSLOW, WINDMILL.** -Fuller: London Pride. +Morland: Old Speckled Hen. +Guest beer. (W128, U71, U77, U95)

**ISLEWORTH, BRIDGE INN.** -John Smith: Bitter. +Hall & Woodhouse: Badger Best Bitter. Formerly **IRON BRIDGE.** (W131, U60, U81, U89)

**ISLEWORTH, MILFORD ARMS.** -Beers listed except Ruddle: Best Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. +Theakston: Best Bitter. Now Scottish & Newcastle, ex Grand Met (Watney). (W131, U53)

**ISLEWORTH, ROSE & CROWN.** +Webster: Green Label Bitter. (W131, U55, U60, U83, U91)

**TWICKENHAM, EEL PIE.** -Beers listed except Hall & Woodhouse: Hard Tackle. +Hall & Woodhouse: Badger Best Bitter. Tanglefoot. +Gribble: Black Adder. +Wadworth: 6X. +Taunton: Traditional Cider. (W150, U71)

**TWICKENHAM, ST. MARGARETS.** -Ruddle: Best Bitter. +Theakston: Best Bitter. Now Scottish & Newcastle, ex Grand Met (Watney). (W151, U94)

### CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 97

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

**SW6, FULHAM TAP.** Address is 248 North End Road.

**PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE**

**SE15, GLENGAL ARMS.** Should read GLENGALL ARMS.

**SE15, TYRRELL ARMS.** Note correct spelling of name (not as SE guide).

**SE16, STANLEY ARMS.** Ref omitted (SE133, U54)

**SE17, PRINCE & PRINCESS OF WALES.** Address is 109 Kingslake Street

**SE18, WELLESLEY.** Address is 39 Hillreach.

**OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES**

**SE1, TOOLEYS.** Ref should read (SE41, U55, U74)

**SE1, WINCHESTER.** Ref should read (SE44)

### CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 98

**PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE**

**SW10, CHURCHILLS BAR.** Formerly **MUSWELLS,** previously **SWIFTS.**



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## BEER BRIEFING

### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 99 continued

OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES  
**W1(Mar), THORNBURY CASTLE.** Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Watney) via S&N.

**W1(May), SPREAD EAGLE.** -Brakspear: Special Bitter.

**E1, QUEENS HEAD.** Address is 83 Fieldgate Street.

**E14, GUILDFORD ARMS.** Now a Labatts Free House.

**SW6, CHELSEA GATE.** Renamed CROSS EYED NEWT (CHELSEA).

**SW6, DURRELL ARMS.** Should read DURELL ARMS.

**SW18, HOP POLES.** Should read HOP POLE.

**W4, RAILWAY TAVERN.** Webster: Yorkshire Bitter should read Webster: Green Label Bitter.

**HOUSLOW, LORD PALMERSTON.** +Boddington: Bitter.

**PUBS ACQUIRED BY LABATTS & MAGIC PUB CO**

**NW6, BRITANNIA.** Note correct spelling.

**SW9, CROWN.** Delete entry, already included correctly under changes.

**W12, SPRINGBOK.** Formerly McQUEENS.

## LORD NELSON STANHOPE STREET, NW1

This is a rather splendid looking hostelry which for the last sixty years has been called the Lord Nelson in commemoration of one of England's great old naval heroes of the 1700's. Raised in 1803 and rebuilt in 1899 and thus becoming a part of the Charrington empire, but is now run as a free house serving a good range of real ales together with an excellent range of good bar meals well as snacks.

The fayre includes an excellent selection of

sandwiches in the door-step style presently retailing at £1.80. "Nelson's Breakfast" is a good and popular seller. The menu sports a full range of hot main courses as well. The prices of which are in the range of £2.50-£2.70. Seasonal prices also apply depending on what the markets offer for their produce.

The bar is decorated in battle scenes, SANTA CRUZ, SEPTEMBER 1797 TRAFALGER 1805 and is reflected in the facade of the building itself.



There are scenes of the Battle of Trafalgar including Nelsons Prayer.

## FORTHCOMING FESTIVALS

- 28-29 Jan St Neots Winter Ale Festival**  
St Neots Football Club
- 4 Feb White Cliffs Winter Ale Festival**  
Maison Dieu  
Dover
- 4-5 Feb Dorchester**  
Corn Exchange, Dorchester
- 15-18 Feb Battersea**  
Grand Hall  
Town Hall Road, SW11
- 24-25 Feb Sussex**  
Hove Town Hall
- 24-25 Feb Basingstoke**  
The Vyne Centre
- 3-4 Mar Portsmouth Winter Fest III**  
Thorngate Halls  
Gosport
- 8-10 Mar London Drinker**  
Camden Centre  
Bidborough Street WC1







During 1995 Fuller Smith & Turner P.L.C. will be celebrating their 150th anniversary. They are delighted to be able to announce that the celebrations will be officially launched by HRH Prince Charles the Prince of Wales during a visit to the Griffin Brewery at the beginning of February.

There will be countless other special events taking place for both Fuller's staff and their customers throughout the year with 20th to 28th May being designated **150th Week** when a number of special promotions, including a Pub Trail, will be running in all of Fuller's pubs and shops.

**Fuller's 1845**, a new bottled beer (abv 6.3%) based on an original recipe from that time, will become available in March and there will also be a new range of 150th promotional merchandise including T-Shirts, Rugby Shirts, Beer Mats, Bar Towels, Pens, Mugs, Polo Shirts and Baseball Hats. All of these items will be available from the Griffin Brewery.

Although beer has been brewed on the site of the Griffin Brewery in Chiswick for over 325 years, it was not until the early part of the nineteenth century that the first Fuller became involved in the brewing industry.

At this time the brewery was in some financial difficulty and the then owners Douglas and Henry Thompson and Philip Wood approached John Fuller of Neston Park, Wiltshire to see if he would inject some much needed capital into the business. In 1829 he agreed and joined the enterprise, but the partnership proved a difficult one and in 1841 Douglas Thompson fled to France to flee his debtors and the partnership was dissolved.

It soon became apparent that it was impossible for one man to run a brewery of that size alone, so in 1845 John Fuller's son, John Bird Fuller, was joined by Henry Smith from the Romford Brewery of Ind & Smith and his brother-in-law, their Head Brewer, John Turner, thereby forming Fuller Smith & Turner as it is known today.

Since that date the Griffin Brewery has gone from strength to strength and descendants of those first partners are still heavily involved in the day to day running of the Company.

If you are interested in finding out more about Fuller's history a book called "London Pride – 150 Years of Fuller Smith & Turner 1845-1995" was commissioned last year and is now available from the Marketing Department at the Griffin Brewery priced £6.99 + £1.50 P&P (please allow 28 days for delivery).

*Where to buy continued*

**OUTLETS - SOUTH WEST and WEST PUBS**

SW1 BARLEY MOW  
SW1 BUCKINGHAM ARMS  
SW1 FOX & HOUNDS  
SW1 MORPETH ARMS  
SW1 ORANGE BREWERY  
SW1 PAVIOURS ARMS  
SW1 RISING SUN  
SW1 ROYAL OAK  
SW2 HOPE & ANCHOR  
SW2 CROWN & SCEPTRE  
SW3 COOPERS ARMS  
SW3 ROSE  
SW3 SURPRISE  
SW4 MANOR ARMS  
SW4 ROSE & CROWN  
SW6 DUKE OF CUMBERLAND  
SW6 WHITE HORSE  
SW7 ANGLESEA ARMS  
SW8 OLD RED HOUSE  
SW8 PRIORY ARMS  
SW8 ROEBUCK  
SW8 SURPRISE  
SW10 FERRET & FIRKIN  
SW10 KINGS ARMS, 190 Fulham Road  
SW10 STARGAZEY  
SW11 BEEHIVE  
SW11 DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE  
SW11 PLOUGH  
SW12 MOON UNDER WATER  
SW12 NIGHTINGALE  
SW12 PRINCE OF WALES  
SW14 HARE & HOUNDS  
SW14 RAILWAY TAVERN  
SW15 DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE, Kingston Vale  
SW15 FOX & HOUNDS  
SW15 GREEN MAN  
SW16 HALF & HALF  
SW16 PIED BULL  
SW16 WHITE LION  
SW17 CASTLE  
SW17 J.J. MOONS  
SW17 LEATHER BOTTLE  
SW18 BREWERY TAP  
SW18 COUNTY ARMS  
SW18 HALFWAY HOUSE  
SW18 OLD SERGEANT  
SW18 PIG & WHISTLE  
SW18 SPOTTED DOG  
SW18 SPREAD EAGLE  
SW18 STAR & GARTER  
SW19 ALEXANDRA  
SW19 GROVE  
SW19 KINGS HEAD  
SW19 PRINCE OF WALES, Morden Road  
SW19 PRINCESS ROYAL  
SW19 SULTAN  
SW19 TRAFALGAR  
CARSHALTON, RAILWAY TAVERN  
CHESSINGTON, NORTH STAR  
CHEAM, RAILWAY

KEW, COACH & HORSES  
KINGSTON, ARTFUL DODGER  
KINGSTON, CANBURY ARMS  
KINGSTON, COCOANUT  
KINGSTON, DRUIDS HEAD  
KINGSTON, FIGHTING COCKS  
KINGSTON, GAZEBO  
KINGSTON, KELLY ARMS  
KINGSTON, NEWT & FERRET  
KINGSTON, PARK TAVERN  
KINGSTON, SPRING GROVE  
KINGSTON, TWO BREWERS  
KINGSTON, WILLOUGHBY ARMS  
KINGSTON, WYCH ELM  
MITCHAM, CRICKETERS  
MITCHAM, WHITE LION OF MORTIMER  
NEW MALDEN, ROYAL OAK  
RICHMOND, DYSARTS  
RICHMOND, ORANGE TREE  
RICHMOND, SHAFTESBURY ARMS  
RICHMOND, TRIPLE CROWN  
RICHMOND, WATERMANS ARMS  
RICHMOND, WHITE CROSS  
SURBITON, BUN SHOP  
SURBITON, NEW PRINCE  
SUTTON, MOON ON THE HILL  
SUTTON, NEW TOWN  
WALLINGTON, WHISPERING MOON  
W1 ARGYLL ARMS  
W1 BEEHIVE, 7 Homer Street  
W1 MOON & SIXPENCE  
W1 MORTIMER ARMS  
W1 WESTMORELAND ARMS  
W1 WINDMILL  
W2 ARCHERY TAVERN  
W2 ROYAL STANDARD  
W3 KINGS ARMS  
W4 WINDMILL  
W5 PLOUGH  
W5 RED LION  
W5 ROSE & CROWN  
W5 WHEATSHEAF  
W6 BROOK GREEN HOTEL  
W6 RICHMOND ARMS  
W10 VILLAGE INN  
W11 FROG & FIRKIN  
W12 MOON ON THE GREEN  
W13 THE FORESTER  
W14 WARWICK ARMS  
BRENTFORD, GLOBE  
BRENTFORD, LORD NELSON  
CRANFORD, QUEENS HEAD  
FELTHAM, GENERAL ROY  
HAMPTON, WHITE HART  
HAMPTON COURT, KINGS ARMS  
HAMPTON WICK, WHITE HART  
HARLINGTON, CROWN  
HAYES, BLUE ANCHOR  
HAYES, MOON UNDER WATER  
HAYES END, MOON & SIXPENCE  
HOUNSLOW, BEAVER  
HOUNSLOW, CHARIOT  
HOUNSLOW, CROSS LANCES  
ISLEWORTH, COACH & HORSES  
ISLEWORTH, COUNTY ARMS  
ISLEWORTH, ROYAL OAK

ISLEWORTH, VICTORIA  
SOUTHALL, BEACONSFIELD ARMS  
SOUTHALL, SCOTSMAN  
TEDDINGTON, QUEEN DOWAGER  
TWICKENHAM, EEL PIE  
TWICKENHAM, PRINCE ALBERT  
UXBRIDGE, PRINCE OF WALES  
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 Bolsover Street  
**OUTSIDE LONDON**  
ALDRESHOT, VOLUNTEER  
ASCOT, CRANBOURNE TOWERS  
BRIGHTLINGSEA, RAILWAY  
BRIGHTON, EVENING STAR  
BRIGHTON, SUSSEX YEOMAN  
CATERHAM ON THE HILL, KING & QUEEN  
CHERTSEY, CASTLE  
CHERTSEY, KINGS ARMS  
COLCHESTER, ODD ONE OUT  
CROXLEY GREEN, SPORTSMAN  
DARTFORD, ROYAL VICTORIA & BULL  
EAST MOLESEY, KINGS ARMS  
EGHAM, JOLLY FARMERS  
KNOWL HILL (Berks), OLD DEVIL  
LALEHAM, FEATHERS  
LEWES, GARDENERS ARMS  
MANCHESTER, JOLLY ANGLERS  
MORTIMER WEST END (Hants), RED LION  
OUTWOOD (Surrey), DOG & DUCK  
POTTERS BAR, CHEQUERS  
ROTHERWICK (Hants), COACH & HORSES  
SALISBURY, WYNDHAM ARMS  
STEVENAGE, RED LION  
SOUTHAMPTON, WATERLOO ARMS  
STAINES, CAVALIER  
STOW MARIES (Essex), PRINCE OF WALES  
STRATFIELD SAYE (Hants), NEW INN  
SUNBURY, FLOWER POT  
SUNBURY, HARE & HOUNDS  
SUNNINGDALE, ROYAL OAK  
TILLINGHAM (Essex), CAP & FEATHERS  
UPPER HALLIFORD, BUGLE  
WATFORD, ONE BELL  
WATFORD, WEST HERTS SPORTS CLUB  
WEYBRIDGE, PRINCE OF WALES  
WHITCHURCH (Hants), YE OLDE BREWERY INN  
WORCESTER, BREWERY TAP & BREWERY  
WORTHING, VINE



# BATTERSEA BEER FESTIVAL 1995

WED FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> 5-11 PM THURS 16<sup>TH</sup> 12 NOON-11 PM

FRI 17<sup>TH</sup> 12 NOON-11 PM SAT 18<sup>TH</sup> 11 AM-6 PM

ADMISSION £1 LUNCHTIMES £2 EVENINGS

EXCEPT FRIDAY £2.50 FREE ON SATURDAY

CAMRA MEMBERS AND NUS STUDENTS FREE WITH CARD  
(EXCEPT FRIDAY NIGHT AFTER 6 PM - £1.50)

- ENTERTAINMENT SATURDAY LUNCHTIME ONLY
- FREE NON-SMOKING FAMILY ROOM FRIDAY/CHILDREN'S ROOM SATURDAY



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BATTERSEA OLD TOWN HALL  
TOWN HALL ROAD SW11**

(OFF LAVENDER HILL) 5 MINUTES WALK  
FROM CLAPHAM JUNCTION