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# DRINKER



Priory Arms, SW8

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## Where to Buy London Drinker

The following is a list of all the current outlets for London Drinker of which the editors have been informed. 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  
EC1 MASQUE HAUNT  
EC1 PHEASANT & FIRKIN  
EC1 ROSEBERRY  
EC1 SEKFORDE ARMS  
EC1 SHAKESPEARE  
EC1 SUTTON ARMS  
EC3 SWAN  
EC4 BLACK FRIAR  
EC4 CITY RETREAT  
E1 BLACK BULL  
E1 LORD RODNEYS HEAD  
E2 CAMDENS HEAD  
E6 MILLERS WELL  
E8 LADY DIANA  
E9 FALCON & FIRKIN  
E9 ROYAL STANDARD  
E10 DRUM  
E11 GEORGE  
E14 QUEENS HEAD  
E15 GOLDEN GROVE  
DAGENHAM, LORD DENHAM  
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 MULBERRY BUSH  
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 WHEATSHEAF  
SE1 WHITE HART, Cornwall Street  
SE3 BRITISH OAK  
SE3 HARE & BILLET  
SE3 PRINCESS OF WALES  
SE3 RAILWAY TAVERN  
SE5 FOX ON THE HILL  
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  
SE20 MOON & STARS  
SE22 CRYSTAL PALACE TAVERN  
SE25 ALLIANCE  
SE25 GOAT HOUSE  
SE26 DULWICH WOOD HOUSE  
ADDISCOMBE, CLARET WINE BAR  
BARKING, BARKING DOG  
BARKINGSIDE, NEW FAIRLOP OAK  
BECKENHAM, GEORGE INN  
BECKENHAM, JOLLY WOODMAN  
BEXLEY, BLUE ANCHOR  
CROYDON, ARKWRIGHTS WHEEL  
CROYDON, BUILDERS ARMS  
CROYDON, DOG & BULL  
CROYDON, FIDDLER & FIRKIN  
CROYDON, GEORGE  
CROYDON, PRINCESS ROYAL  
CROYDON, ROYAL STANDARD  
ILFORD, GREAT SPOON OF ILFORD  
LOUGHTON, LAST POST  
PURLEY, FOXLEY HATCH  
SOUTH CROYDON, FIDDLER & FIRKIN  
SOUTH CROYDON, RAIL VIEW  
WALLINGTON, WHISPERING MOON  
**CLUBS**  
SE1 LENSURY BAR, SHELL INTERNATIONAL  
SE9 HOWARD 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 HOGS HEAD  
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  
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, WHITE LION  
BARNET, YE OLDE MONKEN HOLT  
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  
NW7 RISING SUN  
NW8 PRINCESS ROYAL  
NW9 J.J. MOONS  
NW9 MOON UNDER WATER  
NW10 COLISEUM  
NW10 GRAND JUNCTION ARMS  
NW10 OUTSIDE INN  
NW11 WHITE SWAN  
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

Just about everywhere we turn these days we can find people giving us advice about what is good for us – or rather what isn't good for us. There seem to be so many foods that we should be avoiding these days that if we tried to follow all the advice given to us, the biggest health problem of the nation would surely be malnutrition.

Anyway, that's not quite what I sat down here to write about. The discussion topic for today is the "unit of alcohol". Do you know what it is? I don't think you do, and I'll tell you why – I don't think that there is such a thing as a "unit of alcohol". Oh, I know that the concept exists and of course the term exists – I've used it twice already but I believe its definition is severely lacking. It is supposed to be a unit, right? Well, if it is, how big is it?

Let us think about what a unit is by considering the units that we come across every day. The pound – if you buy a pound of cheese in Tesco's and a pound of cheese in Sainsbury's you have an absolute legal right to expect that the standards used in both of those shops to be identical. Likewise a litre of petrol from your local Shell garage is the same as a litre of petrol from an Esso station at the other end of the M1. They are standard units of measurement, but what is a "unit of alcohol"? They haven't even given it a name. When did you last go shopping for ten "standard weight units" of potatoes? Let us, for the fun of it, give the "unit of alcohol" a name; as it seems to be referred to mainly in terms of its effect on health let's call it the Bottomley. There. Now I can stop using the term "unit of alcohol" for the rest of this article.

Over the last couple of years my day job has seen me working on projects for two well known organisations which have very strict rules on alcohol and work because they are both public transport bodies; they are Railtrack (or British Rail as it was when I first started) and London Underground Ltd. When I started these projects I had to attend a seminar or course which related to attending work while under the influence of alcohol. The BR one was a seminar for all staff working in the office specifically about their policy on alcohol and drugs while the

Underground one was a subject covered in a more general half day course on safety. At the BR course we were given a booklet on the policy for which we had to sign a slip of paper acknowledging that we had received it and that we would follow its guidelines.

The rule at BR applies to ALL employees and contractors so a typist is governed by the same rule as a train driver. It states that if somebody signs on for work with a blood alcohol level higher than 30 milligrams per 100 millilitres they will probably be dismissed or may "get away" with a final warning and a permanent entry on their personal record. Over 80 milligrams (the limit for driving a car) and it is instant dismissal with no alternative.

The BR booklet gives advice about average blood alcohol levels for the consumption of so many "units of alcohol" (In retrospect "Bottomleys" is a bit flippant for this subject) but under the heading "What is a UNIT (their capitals) of alcohol?" they say "The following drinks contain ABOUT (MY capitals) one unit of alcohol:

A half pint of beer

A single measure of whisky

A glass of wine."

The guideline given by LUL was put differently and went like this: "Before you sign on for duty you must have drunk no alcohol in the previous eight hours and no more than seven "units of alcohol" in the previous twenty four hours." As a hard and fast rule, I suspect that this is unenforceable but I consider that it is given as a guideline that if followed will protect the employee from failing a spot check like a breath test. The training officer described a "unit of alcohol" as equivalent to "half a pint of Sainsbury's cheapest bitter not something like Guinness."

So where does this leave us? How many "units of alcohol" are there in a pint of Old Peculier – or even London Pride? I strongly suspect that the "unit of alcohol" has deliberately not been defined because even if it were, the effect of a standardised unit would be so different on different people, or even the same person under different circumstances that it would not be very helpful.

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# HOOK NORTON

*is in town*

## **BEST BITTER**

(OG 1036, ABV 3.4%)

*An excellently-balanced, golden bitter. Malty and hoppy on the nose and in the mouth, with a hint of fruitiness. Dry, but with some balancing sweetness. A hoppy bitterness dominates the finish.*

## **OLD HOOKY**

(OG 1049, ABV 4.6%)

*An unusual, tawny beer with a strong fruity and grainy aroma and palate, balanced by a hint of hops. Full bodied, with a bitter, fruity and malty aftertaste.*

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from 29th May for two weeks



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## IDLE MOMENTS

Hello again. Fed up with all the bank holidays yet? I'm not as I'm writing this before Easter and the traditional bank holiday weather hasn't set in yet. Still if it is persisting down outside, you can always stay indoors and tax your mind on the little collection of puzzles I've put together for you. That should be enough for you to think it's not so bad out and go for a walk.

Right, well, let's get on with it then - and to make a start, here are the answers to last month's number puzzles:

1. 100 is C in Roman Numerals
2. 21 Rolling Stones Top Ten Hits
3. 65 Pence is the Price of the Radio Times
4. 10 Dimes in a Dollar
5. 22 Legs in a Football Team
6. 12 Wheels on a Pacific (Four-Six-Two) Railway Locomotive
7. 7,000 Grains in a Pound
8. 141 Million Miles Between the Sun and Mars
9. 12 is a Hurricane on the Beaufort Scale
10. 746 Watts is approximately One Horse Power

And for those of you foolhardy enough to ignore the warning (or dim enough not to spot it) -you're trapped! You will now not be able to tear yourselves away from this month's fiendish number puzzles

1. 99 P is the CP of the HC
2. 1471 N to D for your LCN
3. 4 M of the Y are TDL
4. 500 P is a M
5. 5 C in a N
6. 1801 SPCA to the UF
7. 30 OP in a HC
8. 3 UP is an A
9. 669 MD in a MY
10. 8 RSNOH

And now that I have you in my power I command you to send me large sums of money to make up for the fact that I didn't win the National Lottery yet again. Or failing that you have to sit through the brewery anagrams, starting (yawn!!) with last month's answers:

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| 1. MIP GIRL | PILGRIM |
| 2. RULE DAN | ARUNDEL |
| 3. NOR PETS | PRESTON |

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|-------------------|-------------|
| 4. TORE CHIN      | CHERITON    |
| 5. 'ELL, OX TURDS | OLD LUXTERS |

Quick, hurry up and do this month's number puzzles; I can hear the men in white coats coming up the road!

1. DAMN LIKE ASH
2. S.P. HAIR
3. AT TENNERS
4. LONE TONGS
5. ON AFTER SHEET

I wonder if anybody reads this tosh that I put in between the puzzles. That's always assuming that somebody looks at the puzzles at all. Still, I know that I can write rude things about Bob Kelly. (I suggest you look at the letters pages if you don't know what I'm on about now.)

This month I've called 5BY4 Going Underground. Before any of you smartarses write in I shall admit that I know this is a complete misnomer. All you have to do is match the stations with the Underground lines they are on (apart from the one on the DLR). Yes of course I know that they are almost all surface stations but they are still run by London Underground Ltd, except for the DLR one. And don't forget that the deepest lines at Bank & Monument Station are the DLR lines. Anyway here are the stations (A lot of Roads and Parks, aren't there):

1. Barkingside
2. Elm Park
3. Belsize Park
4. Oakwood
5. Preston Road
6. Devons Road
7. Blackhorse Road
8. Latimer Road
9. Neasden
10. Kenton

And here are the lines:

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|----------------------------|
| A. Jubilee                 |
| B. Docklands Light Railway |
| C. District                |
| D. Piccadilly              |
| E. Hammersmith & City      |
| F. Bakerloo                |
| G. Metropolitan            |
| H. Northern                |
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- I. Central
- J. Victoria

As usual, the solution to this one is to be found after the General Knowledge bit which is coming up next. Don't get too excited though; you've still got last month's answers to come first:

1. George III - 59 years from 1760 to 1820
2. Lady Jane Grey
3. The Campaign for Real Ale
4. Seven
5. Phyllis Dorothy
6. John Peter Rhys
7. James Hilton in "Lost Horizon" published in 1933
8. The World Cup
9. The giraffe
10. William Wordsworth and his sister Dorothy

I'll bet you couldn't work out what question number 4 was just from the answer. Never mind, all you have to do is answer these ones and then I'll release you to take your place back in the real World (a most overrated place if you ask me, which nobody ever does):

1. Last month, on 4th April a brand new length of canal was opened in England, the first for over 90 years. What canal is it an extension to?
2. Which is the second largest state in the USA?
3. Who was the first Englishman to leave the ground in a British aeroplane?
4. What contribution did Hugh Lock King make to motor racing?

5. Where is the Royal Mint?
6. How many of Henry VIII's children became monarchs of England?
7. Of what corporation is Bill Gates the chief executive?
8. Who was created by cartoonist Jim Davis?
9. What national daily newspaper was the first to have news rather than adverts on the front page when it was founded in 1900?
10. Who was the architect of St. Paul's Church, Covent Garden and the Banqueting House in Whitehall?

Right off you go out to play then children and make sure you've got your raincoats with you. You What? What have I forgotten? Well spotted, I was just checking how many of you were still awake. Here they are then:

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

Now go carefully, we don't want to run out of people silly enough to read this through to the end.

**Andy Pirson**

## WIGGERLY WORMS, JUGGLERS & POP!

This might not be your idea of a great time out but for younger visitors these three things constitute heaven.

The Great British Beer Festival is pleased to welcome everyone and realises that five year olds do not find the delights of Brain's Dark or Robinson's Old Tom quite to their taste (yet). To this end, the Festival is running its Family Room again. Situated in the Pillar Hall, which is Grade II listed, parents can enjoy a pint or two (and the decor) while the offspring get into the toys or the live entertainment which takes place every lunchtime. But rolling around on the floor making a tea party (albeit with Dad's Woodforde's Wherry) doesn't suit everyone and so for older children there are video games laid on.

The Great British Beer Festival is open 1st-5th August 1995, Grand Hall, Olympia and the Family Room is open every session and until 9pm at night. Contact 01727 867201 for further details.

**Advertise in next month's**

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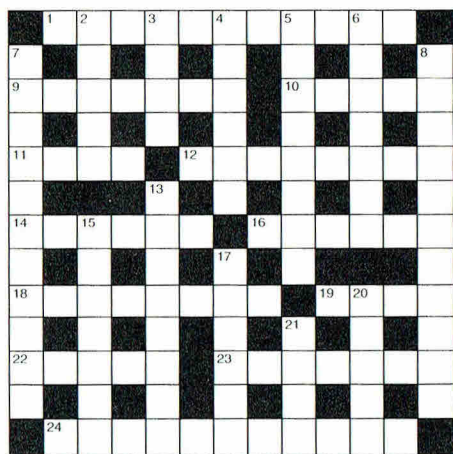
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# LONDON DRINKER CROSSWORD

Compiled by DAVE QUINTON



Name .....

Address .....

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All correct entries received by first post on 31st May will be entered into a draw for a double season ticket to the Great British Beer Festival.

Prize winner will be announced in the July 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



## SPECIAL PRIZE TO BE WON

### ACROSS

1. Three quarters arrive with request for racing. [11]
9. He leaves headdress to make speech. [7]
10. Argumentative sportsman? [5]
11. Almost discover how to make money. [4]
12. Wanted paper to be in colour. [8]
14. Detectives Ronald brought back from the north. [6]
16. Soundly against poetry [6]
18. Hot stuff Conservative makes in little room. [8]
19. I am returning twice for her. [4]
22. Letter after teacher makes temptress. [5]
23. Nurses consumed by feeling. [7]
24. Tides out – people at the landing stage. [11]

### DOWN

2. Command of Senor Derigo. [5]
3. Look noble. [4]
4. Thanks to Edward it's eaten. [6]
5. He takes great pains with his work. [8]
6. Advance in hospitals. [7]
7. A later pint's out for him. [11]
8. Longed to possess revolutionary estate. It's sure to happen. [11]
13. It's clear there's metal caught under Sid's back. [8]
15. Mistakenly worships defeat. [7]
17. Little prince is on porridge. [6]
20. I had nothing corrupt. What a state! [5]
21. One hundred thousand in return tie. [4]

Winner of the prize for the March Crossword:  
Old Smokey, Ealing, W5.

Other correct entries were received from:

A.Aardvark, P.Adams, R.Appleby, Geoff B., The Bean, J.Blundell, R.Bolt, S.Bremner, A.Brooke, F.Burns, A.Camroux, B.Casey, A.Comaish, S.Cooper, T.Danks, R.Dodds, R.Drees, R.Eastwick, K.Everett, U.Farquarson, M.Farrelly, B.Fletcher, H.Gardner, L.Gordon, E.Graves, P.Gray, J.Green, M.Green, G.Gobbler, Guy & Alison, B.Hall, J.Heath, J.Heekin, A.Henley, W.Hill, D.Hull, J.Mole, Doug K&Q, P.Large, G.Martin, J.Mason, T.Maton, M.Moran, J.Murphy, T.Neill, R.Noolas, M.Norman, H.O'Connor, S.Osgood, N.Parsons, R.Prince, D.Pryce, K.Reeve, J.Richards, S.Scooper, F.Slaughter, B.Smith, J.Smith, T.Smith, Y.Smokey, D.Stares, M.Steward, W.Thackray, N.Titsoffv, N.Walton, M.Weedon, S.Whale, S.Williams, H.Woodhams, D.Woodward, P.Wyles, Yak, R.Young.

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## THE SULTAN

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**0181-542 4532**



## HIDDEN GEMS – NO. 2

### THE PRIORY ARMS

Make your visit a priority

*Danny Blyth continues his series on London's best pubs that are a little out of the way.*

The Priory Arms is well worth seeking out – and you don't have to look that far. Exit left Stockwell tube, take the first sharp left and this will bring you on to Lansdowne Way. Hey bingo you're there in two minutes.

Inside you'll find a very well appointed free house. Standards of decor, orderliness and comfort are high throughout the 140 year-old premises. It was first taken on by hosts Gary and Nicky Morris in 1985, a couple who shared a past in hotel catering. They became free of tie in 1988 and trade has improved every year since.



*Gary and Nicky Morris at the Priory Arms*

The Priory is the perfect place for those new to the licensed trade to visit – living proof that even though you haven't a high street site and have to battle for trade – success does come through hard work.

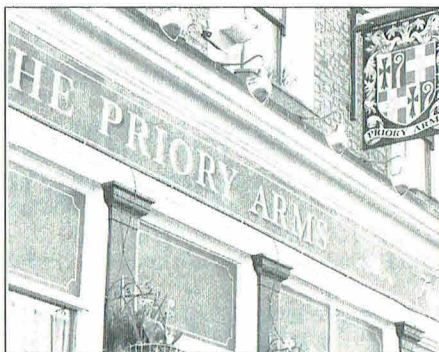
For Gary and Nicky this has meant long hours over many years building up a reputation for quality real ales. They have recently picked up SW London CAMRA's gong for pub-of-the-year for the second time in three years. And hadn't it been for the usual CAMRA complications when it comes to voting on anything, they'd surely have had a three-in-a-row success and been allowed to keep the trophy.

Says Nicky: "There are 847 pubs in this branch area so to win the award is really pleasing. However, to win a second time really is something special."

There are usually four or five real ales on tap.

Youngs Ordinary and Special are regular features, with the others coming in from the pick of the regionals and micros from all over the UK. Says Gary: "It is often the case that the smaller the brewer, the better and more interesting is the beer."

As if that wasn't enough, there's a superb selection of Belgian, Czech and German bottled goodies, real cider and perry and Gales country wines on offer. There are even five types of both coffee and tea. German wheat beer is very popular. Sometimes the Priory can shift over four cases in a single evening. "People are going more for genuine quality in their bottled beers these days, as opposed to things like Sol and Fosters Ice and it is good to see," says Gary.



*The Priory Arms is found at 83 Lansdowne Way, Stockwell, SW8. Tel: 0171-622 1884.*

*Open 11am -11pm, Mon-Sat, normal hours Sun.*

This reputation for quality, choice and hospitality is spreading. Afficionados come from as far as Enfield on the misery line to pay their homage.

Extra custom has been attracted to Gary's "theme months" during which he features the entire range of certain brewers' ales over a four-week period. Last month it was the turn of Hop Back brewery., the previous month, the stage was shared by the ranges from Riddleys and Adnams. Future themes are to include Woodfordes over June and a small German bierfest (draught and bottled wheat, smoked beer etc. at a date to be decided.)

# VICTORY BEER FESTIVAL

Monday 1st to Monday 8th May 1995

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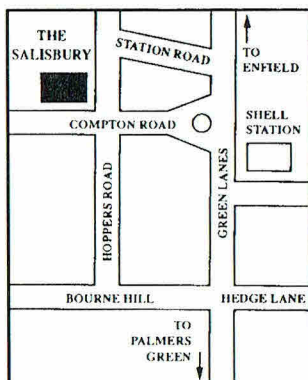
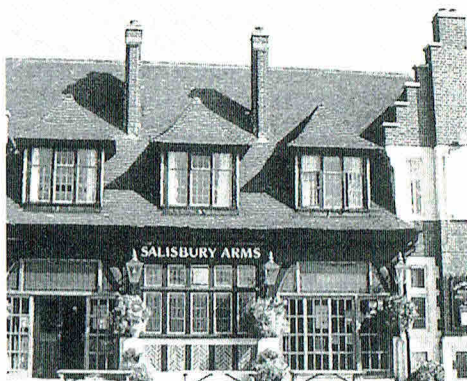
including:

**BATEMANS** Victory Ale  
**WOODFORDES** Nelsons Revenge  
**MARSTON MOOR** Cromwell Bitter  
**HOOK NORTON** Old Hooky

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## Salisbury Arms

21 HOPPERS ROAD, WINCHMORE HILL, N21. 0181 886 1943





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## BRANCH DIARY

If your branch is not mentioned below, please ring the branch contact. Dates for May of which we have been notified are given below. Branches please send information to Andy Pirson. Branch contacts page 13.

**EAST LONDON & CITY:** Mon 1 (8.00) Branch Meeting. SEKFORDE ARMS, 34 Sekforde Street, EC1 – Tue 16 (8.00) Branch Social: Darts Match with North London Branch. WENLOCK ARMS, 26 Wenlock Road, N1 – Wed 24 (6.00) Two Pub Social. FLEETWOOD, Wilson Street, EC2 then HAMILTON HALL (7.30), Liverpool Street Station – Mon 5 Jun (8.00) Branch Meeting. Venue to be advised.

**ENFIELD & BARNET:** Tue 2 (9.00) Two Pub Social. WHITE HART, 165 High Street then GOAT, 252 High Street, both Ponders End – Wed 10 (8.30) Branch Meeting. OLD WHITE LION, 121 High Road, Finchley, N2 – Tue 16 (9.00) Social. ORANGE TREE, 18 Highfield Road, Winchmore Hill, N21 – Wed 24 (9.00) Social. WHITE LION, 50 St Albans Road, Barnet – Thu 1 Jun (9.00) Social & London Drinker Pickup. BANKERS DRAFT, 36-38 Friern Barnet Road, N11

**KINGSTON & LEATHERHEAD:** Wed 11 (8.30) Branch Meeting. WAGGON & HORSES, Surbiton – Fri 19 (8.00) Social. WHEATSHEAF, Esher – Tue 30 (8.00) Social. KING WILLIAM IV, Mickleham. Also presentation of “10 Year” mirror. Possible minibuss; phone Branch Contact for details.

**NORTH LONDON:** Tue 2 (8.30) Branch Meeting & Pub of the Year Final Selection. RUGBY TAVERN, Great James Street, WC1 (Holborn or Russell Square tube) – Tue 9 (8.00) Marylebone Mild Social in NW1. FEATHERS, 43 Linhope Street then PERSEVERANCE, 11 Shroton Street (Landlord is happy to show his cellar to anyone who is interested; Marylebone or Baker Street tube) – Tue 16 Darts Match with East London & City Branch. WENLOCK ARMS, 26 Wenlock Road, N1 (Old Street BR/tube) – Tue 23 (8.00) Euston Mild Social. HEAD OF STEAM, Euston Square (formerly Rails, by bus terminus) then LORD NELSON (9.30), 48 Stanhope Street (Euston BR or Euston Square tube) – Thu 1 Jun (8.00) Brewery Trip & London Drinker Pickup. FLOUNDER & FIRKIN, 54 Holloway Road, N7 (There will be free food; Highbury & Islington BR/tube) – Tue 6 Jun (8.00) London Drinker Beer Festival Post-mortem Meeting. DUKE OF HAMILTON, New End (off Heath Street), NW3 (There will be free food; Hampstead tube).

**RICHMOND & HOUNSLOW:** Tue 2 (8.00) Committee Meeting (open to all from 9.00). BEEHIVE, 227 High Street, Brentford – Mon 15 (8.00) Branch Meeting. DUKE OF WELLINGTON, 279 Staines Road, Hounslow – Thu 25 (7.30) Ham Survey Crawl. Start HAND & FLOWER, Upper Ham Road, Ham Common.

**SOUTH EAST LONDON:** Tue 2 (8.00) Dominoes Social (CAMRA members only). The Howard Club, Eltham, SE9 – Tue 9 (8.00) Committee Meeting. EDINBURGH CASTLE, 110 Samuel Street, Woolwich, SE18 -Wed 17 (8.00) Bromley Social. HARVEST MOON, 141-143 High Street, Orpington, Kent.

**THE FOLLOWING EVENTS ARE LINKED TO CATFORD BEER FESTIVAL:** Tue 23 (7.30) Publicity Crawl of Catford. Start BLACK HORSE & HARROW, Rushey Green, SE6 – Thu 25 (7.30) Publicity Crawl of Lewisham. Start HOGSHEAD, near Lewisham Hospital, SE13 – Sat 27 (10.00am) Leaflet distribution in Lewisham. Meet at the information point in the Riverdale Centre, SE13. Free buffet afterwards – Tue 30 (7.30) Publicity Crawl of Bromley. Start RAILWAY HOTEL opposite Bromley North Station – Thu 1 Jun (7.30) Publicity Crawl & Social. MANSION HOUSE, 46 Kennington Park Road, SE11 – Tue 6 Jun (7.30) Publicity Crawl of Greenwich. Start ASHBURNHAM ARMS, Ashburnham Grove, SE10 – Thu 8 Jun (7.30) Publicity Crawl of London Bridge. Start WHEATSHEAF, Stoney Street, SE1 – Sat 10 (10.00am) Leaflet distribution in Catford. Meet outside BLACK HORSE & HARROW, Rushey Green, SE6. Free buffet afterwards -Wed 14 to Sat 17 Jun CATFORD BEER FESTIVAL. Volunteers needed from 9.00am on Mon 12 to help setting up. Contact for Festival only: Andrew Padgham 0181-291 2874(H), 0181-693 0181 (W).

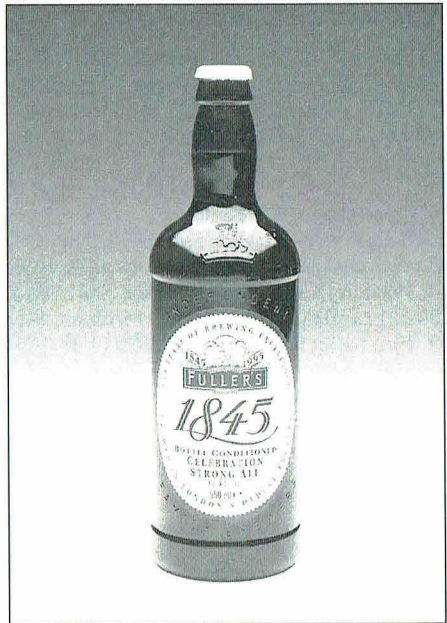
**SOUTH WEST ESSEX:** All May meetings SHOULD feature Mild. Mon 1 (8.30) Mad Mayday Mild Social. HOOP, 21 High Street (B1007), Stock – Wed 10 (8.30) Social. PRINCE OF WALES, Roman Road (B1002), Mountnessing – Mon 15 (8.30) Social. PLOUGH INN, off

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## FULLER'S UPDATE



The arrival of the Mild Month of May heralds the welcome return to the bar of Fuller's Mild, Hock. This rich, dark and malty ale at 3.2% ABV is for sale in the majority of Fuller's pubs at around £1.43 a pint. Fuller's revived Hock in 1993 and it is now part of the exciting new range of seasonal beers that the Chiswick Brewery is producing; Mr Harry in the winter, India Pale for spring, Hock for May and Summer Ale for the balmy months. Not only does Fuller's offer the beer lover something different for every season, together with the legendary London Pride, ESB and Chiswick Bitter but 1995 also sees the arrival of the Brewery's only bottle conditioned beer, 1845 Ale, the celebration ale brewed to commemorate Fuller's 150th Anniversary. A study of Fuller's oldest Brewing Book, dated 1848, showed that a typical gravity of beer 150 years ago was about 1060°. A mild beer marked X or XX was frequently brewed and besides pale malt, the grist included 25% of Amber Malt. All beers had high hop rates in those days and therefore even milds would be expected to have considerable bitterness. As Reg Drury, Fuller's Brewing Director explains, "In the creation of 1845 Ale I have tried to combine the biscuity flavour of the Amber Malt with a traditional hop character from Kent Goldings, the oldest variety currently grown. The result has been a bottle conditioned beer of a rich amber colour, well hopped and with an ABV of 6.3%." The beer comes in a uniquely moulded and embossed 550ml bottle and is priced at £1.65 a bottle in Fuller's Quality Wine Merchants and £2.10 a bottle in the majority of their pubs.





Sabines Road, Navestock Heath (OS: TQ538970) – Thu 25 (8.30) Social. CRICKETERS, 299/301 High Road (A104), Woodford Green -Wed 31 (1.00) Two Brewery Trip. WORLDHAM, East Worldham, Hampshire then (6.30) HOGS BACK, TONGHAM, Surrey. Coach arranged; details/bookings from Wendy Benson on Romford 723897 – Tue 6 Jun Pub Games Social with NW Essex. STAR, Mill End (B184), Thaxted.

**SOUTH WEST LONDON:** Sun 30 Apr (12.00) Branch Cricket Club Match. Haydons Road Recreation Ground, SW19 (near junction with Quicks Road). Branch members wishing to play cricket this season must attend this event or nets – Tue 2 (6.00-7.00) Cricket Nets, Clapham Common, SW4 (near Clapham South tube). Subject to confirmation – please ring Andy Robinson on 0171-417 3005 (work) or 0181-653 8885 (home) – Sat 6 (7.30) Pub of the Year Presentation. PRIORY ARMS, 83 Lansdowne Way, SW8 – Fri 12 (7.00) Branch & Festival Committee Meeting then (8.00) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. PRIORY ARMS, 83 Lansdowne Way, SW8 – Mon 15 (7.30) SW London Guide Inspections. Meet OLD RED HOUSE, 133 Battersea Park Road, SW8 – Sun 28 (2.00) Cricket Vs Priory Arms on Wandsworth Common. Meet COUNTY ARMS, Trinity Road, SW18 – Sun 4 Jun Cricket Vs SPBW Common Branch. Meet DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE, 228 Battersea Bridge Road. Match starts 2.30pm in Battersea Park.

**WATFORD & DISTRICT:** Wed 3 (8.30) Bushey Survey. Start WHITE HART then RED LION (9.00); SWAN (9.45) – Mon 8 (12.00) Bank Holiday Social. Start DUMB BELL then STAG (1.30); LAND OF LIBERTY (2.15). Walkers start at 10.30 from Rickmansworth Station – Tue 16 (8.30) GBG Social. KINGS HEAD, Hunton Bridge – Sun 21 (8.00) Branch Committee Meeting. WEST HERTS SPORTS CLUB – Thu 25 (8.30) Watford Survey. Start ONE CROWN then ROSE & CROWN (9.15); ESTCOURT TAVERN (10.00) – Sat 29 to Mon 31 CROXLEY BEER FESTIVAL. Croxley Community Centre. Free to CAMRA members.

**WEST LONDON:** Thu 4 (8.30) Social. LEINSTER ARMS, 17 Leinster Terrace, W2 – Thu 18 (8.00) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (Guest speaker – John Cryne). WHITE HORSE, 1-3 Parsons Green, SW6.

**WEST MIDDLESEX:** Tue 2 (8.30) “Hock” Social with Fullers. PRINCE OF WALES, 1 Harlington Road, Hillingdon – Thu 11 (8.30) Social. CASTLE, 140 Victoria Road, Acton, W3 (opp. North Acton tube) – Wed 17 (8.00 sharp) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. LOAD OF HAY, Villiers Street, Uxbridge. Keen new members welcome; don’t forget your membership cards! – Thu 25 (8.30) Social & London Drinker Pickup. FOX, Green Lane, Hanwell, W7.

Deadline for the June edition, 1st May. Material for July to arrive by 1st June. **Please be sure to send all diary material to Andy Pirson.**

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## FROM OUR ARCHIVES

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO the light blue front cover of the 20 page May 1980 issue bore a line drawing of Arkell's Brewery in Swindon. This linked with an article entitled "Beer from the Ark", the first in a series of independent brewers who were regularly selling their beers in London. Dave Backhouse wrote about Arkell's with a history and profile of the brewery and its ales, interspersed with local dialect for various orders, and thoughtfully providing a glossary. At the time 14 London pubs were stocking their products.

"Profile of a Bishop" was about the Bishop Out of Residence, a Young's house recently opened in Kingston. On the same page was news that the local council had granted approval for building another pub next door, the Gazebo, despite opposition by the company last mentioned plus Courage and Whitbread. It is a Sam Smith's tied house.

The 1980 Good Beer Guide was on sale, priced £2.60.

"The Canonbury Circle" covered a crawl of nine pubs in that area.

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The back cover bore a list of the 37 outlets of the magazine, including 11 off-licenses.

TEN YEARS AGO in May 1985 the theme colour of magenta appeared on 8 of its 28 pages, including the front cover, which featured a photograph of the Pakenham Arms, WC1, a free house, which had undergone refurbishment.

In his Editorial, Chris wrote about brewery takeovers and how in the 60s, 147 breweries had closed, 41% of the total at the beginning of that decade, which had also seen the upsurge of the Big Six. At the time it was written, a similar situation seemed about to recur.

The Pineapple, SE1, which had been a frequent venue for L.D. pickups, had just changed hands. Meanwhile, the Two Woodcocks, SW2 had been entirely refurbished and re-opened as a Conway Tavern, serving the products of the Brixton and Battersea Breweries, a fact for which I was duly grateful as it became my local the same month. David Bruce's seventh pub, the Flounder and Firkin in Holloway Road, had opened in the well-established style.

It was confirmed that, contrary to rumours previously circulating, Webster's really was being brewed at Halifax, not Mortlake or elsewhere.

In a Letter to the Editors, Ian Worden corrected two mistakes and updated one detail in Merton's "Terminal Case" the previous month. The author conceded, and presented his shortest ever contribution, just two words: "Sorry! - Merton". It was preceded by a drawing of an inverted ancient train, carrying equally inverted casks, the content of which can be easily guessed.

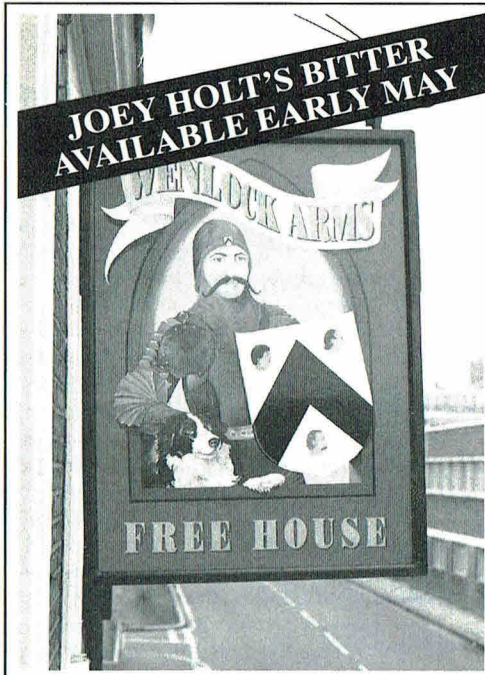
"Production and Reproduction", from the Editorial Team, explained the rather complicated procedure of producing, printing and distributing London Drinker. It was rather detailed and technical, and you've probably read it all before!

"Out of Town" was Chris's crawl of his favourite six pubs in Oxford.

Mild was making a minor come-back - Mitchell & Butler's Highgate Mild (o.g. 1036) had appeared in Surbiton, while Shepherd Neame's 5X had been introduced in the Royal George, Greenwich, at 82p a pint.

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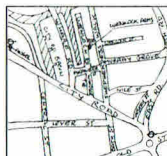


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## NEWS FROM YOUNG'S BREWERY

Youngs, the London brewers who defied air-raids, bombs and black-outs to brew beer throughout the war, have launched a cut-price ale to celebrate the 50th anniversary of VE Day.

Victory Ale is available in Young's pubs, free houses and clubs from 3rd April 1995 until the end of May. It is being sold at £1.35 a pint in Young's managed houses.

The Wandsworth brewery, owned by Youngs since 1831, was hit by 14 bombs in the war, with considerable damage to buildings and barrels. But Youngs continued brewing uninterrupted and overcame petrol rationing by delivering much of their beer by horse-drawn dray.

Brewery chairman John Young, a distinguished wartime fighter pilot in the Fleet Air Arm, said: "We are very proud of the people who kept the brewery going for six difficult years during the war.

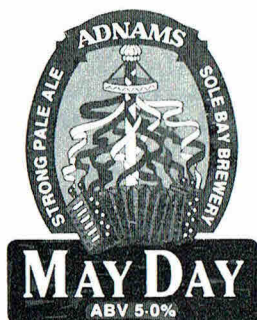
"Young's beer helped to lift the spirits both the troops and of the people who worked so hard at home to achieve victory."



*Approval for Young's Victory Ale from former Grenadier Guardsman Ernie Small, a resident of The Royal Star and Garter Home at Richmond, Surrey who was serving in Germany on VE Day.*

The new beer is brewed at 5 per cent alcohol by volume from the finest English malt and hops and is dry-hopped in the cask.

A bottled version, along with a bottled Victory Lager, also at 5 per cent ABV, was introduced in the middle of April, with 5p from the sale of each bottle being donated to The Royal Star and Garter Home for disabled ex-service men and women at Richmond-upon-Thames, Surrey.



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- ✧ **Rutland Arms**, Perry Hill, SE6
- ✧ **Plume of Feathers**, Park Vista, SE10
- ✧ **White Horse**, Parsons Green, SW6
- ✧ **Priory Arms**, Lansdowne Way, SW8
- ✧ **William Morris Club**, The Broadway, SW19
- ✧ **Better Half**, The Broadway, W5
- ✧ **Princess Louise**, High Holborn, WC1
- ✧ **Pamphilon**, High Street, Bromley
- ✧ **Palace Tavern**, Napier Road, Bromley
- ✧ **Lion**, Pawsons Road, Croydon
- ✧ **Porter & Sorter**, Station Road, Croydon
- ✧ **Derby Arms**, The Downs, Epsom Downs
- ✧ **Noble Half**, High Street, Hounslow
- ✧ **Royal Oak**, Shoreham, Kent
- ✧ **Cricketers**, Chislehurst Road, Orpington
- ✧ **Load of Hay**, Villier Street, Uxbridge
- ✧ **Firkin & Nicholsons** pubs throughout London



## THE SIXTH BATTERSEA BEER FESTIVAL

This was held in February and it turned out to be more successful in terms of numbers through the door than any of the previous ones. The record attendance put a tremendous strain on our beer range and, despite a re-order we unfortunately sold out of every alcoholic drink three hours before our official closing time on the last day.

In common with other CAMRA Beer Festivals we have to have our 'budget' approved in advance and are therefore limited in the quantity of beer that we are allowed to order. Despite an increase in Bavarian and Overseas bottled beers, these also sold out before time. Country wines and soft drinks were extremely popular and Ciders also 'went for a Burton' early.

Most of our customers were 25 years and under with a large percentage of women and the average consumption of beer was over five pints per head. Many thanks to all of these people who came along for a good laugh and a good drink. There were no complaints from neighbours or from the police afterwards, so it proves again that pure, natural beer in agreeable surroundings with good service can please most pub-goers.

## CCC LEISURE

All Corporate Catering Co pubs will be participating in the celebrations during the week of the VE Day 50th Anniversary. A feature will be Courage VE 45 Ale (at 4.5% ABV) and the Castle in Chertsey will be taking the opportunity to combine this with its Third Annual Beer Festival which runs from Thursday 4th to Saturday 13th May. Beers on offer, apart from the special Courage brew will include Caledonian Deuchars IPA; Crouch Vale Willie Warmer; Golden Hill Exmoor Beast; Nethergate Old Growler and Titanic Premium plus half a dozen or so others.

In addition to this CCC are running a small passport scheme based on the area of Staines and points west. All you have to do is visit eight pubs to receive an engraved tankard. Details can be obtained from the Castle which is situated at 1 Fordwater Road, Chertsey.

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## BELGIANS COME TO KENTISH TOWN

We have received news of a new(ish) outlet for Belgian beers in Kentish Town. The Jester Off Licence is an unassuming, unpretentious establishment and the nearest thing to heaven that lovers of Belgium's finest brews are likely to find in the South East of England – or that's how its owner Luigi Simeone describes it anyhow.

Luigi tells us that he has been dabbling in Belgian beers for about four years but has now got serious and has organised a regular supply so that you should find over 150 of them available.

The Jester Off Licence is at 129 Castlehaven Road, NW1, at its junction with Prince of Wales Road – opposite Kentish Town Swimming Baths. If you want to call to check that they have got what you want before you go, the telephone number is 0171-916 9283.





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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors,

As an occasional buyer of London Drinker I thought I would take up your suggestion in the March 1995 issue and make a few comments on the magazine.

I like:

1. The area news articles, eg "Richmond & Hounslow News".
2. Articles such as "What on Earth..." because it was different.
3. Branch Diary – much more readable than that in What's Brewing.
4. Adverts for pub beer festivals and sometimes adverts for new pubs.

I suggest the cover is a little old fashioned and more emphasis (ie size) should be given to CAMRA.

I dislike:

1. "From Our Archives" – who cares what colour the cover was 10 years ago or whether there was a printers error over the issue number.
2. "Idle Moments" – sorry, but I skip straight over these pages.

Cheers,  
Bob Kelly,  
Kingston.

*Editor's Comment:*

*Thanks for your thoughts, Bob. I shall be sure to keep your contribution on file. Hopefully some more readers will follow your example so that we can build up a consensus of what our readership at large wants. Obviously, we are not going to drop Idle Moments overnight because one reader doesn't like it but if this turns out to be a general view, I shall save myself some time each month.*

*Andy Pirson*

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Dear Editors,

May I thank Rod Prince for drawing to my attention the fact that the new South East London Guide doesn't include Thornton Heath and Croydon. I would have bought it without thinking but it doesn't seem worth the expense now. I'll stick to my old guide.

Yours faithfully,  
Brian Henley,  
South Norwood, SE25

Dear Editors,

Of great interest to your readership surely, are the few remaining public bars left in London and its environs. Might the editorial columns feature a different public bar in each edition of the Drinker.

Readers may write in and detail the public bar of their liking; there is an excellent public bar at the CUMBERLAND ARMS in Parsons Green, yet rumours abound that it is to be turned into a food and wine bar.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen J. Fothergill, London SW6

*Editor's Comment:*

*I like your idea Stephen, we tend to report on closures or threatened or impending closures of public bars when we hear about them but by then it is often too late. If we can do our bit to raise the profile of the public bar we may help to save it. Obviously though, we need the information from you, our readers, to make this work. Why not write in and tell us about particularly good public bars you know – and please do let us know whether or not there is a difference in beer price between the public and saloon or lounge bars.*

*Andy Pirson*

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Dear Editors,

### **Caffyn's Hornsey Brewery**

I am trying to find out more about the history of Caffyn's Hornsey Brewery, because Cable London plc occupies premises at Clarendon Road, N8, which I believe are on the site of the brewery. If any of your readers could provide me with any information, and particularly any photographs, then I should be very pleased to hear from them. Reasonable duplicating costs and postage will be reimbursed, of course, and any items loaned will be treated very carefully and returned promptly.

In due course I hope to write a small piece for our in-house newspaper, and full credit for any contributions will be given.

I hope that you will be able to find space for this letter in your magazine.

Yours faithfully,

Simon Haste

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1 North Hill, Highgate, N6

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**HARROW**

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**11 MOON'S**  
3 Shattlesbury Parade, Shattlesbury Circle,  
South Harrow

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

**NEW MOON**  
25-26 Kenton Park Parade, Kenton Road,  
Harrow

**MOON AND SIXPENCE**  
250 Uxbridge Road, Pinner

**SARSEN STONE**  
32 High Street, Wealdstone

**11 MOON'S**  
19-20 The Broadwalk, Pinner Road,  
North Harrow

**VILLAGE INN**  
402-408 Rayners Lane, Pinner

**MAN IN THE MOON**  
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**MOON AND STARS**  
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The Kursaal was a Victorian amusement and leisure complex in Southend and has been referred to as the 'Thorpe Park' of its time. From one of the country's biggest amusement parks in its heyday of the 1930s & 40s, the arrival of the foreign package holiday led to a sad decline and ultimate closure of the park in 1986. Today, only 3 of the original 16 acres remain and the whole site is sadly delapidated. The Kursaal remains however an important part of the history of Southend alongside the famous pier, the head of which was almost completely destroyed by fire in 1975.



The word "Kursaal" derives from the German word for "spa or place of healthy amusement" and the "Flyer" was a train (with a top speed of perhaps 10 mph!) which circulated around the park.

Kursaal Flyer is a pale mid-strength beer with a pronounced malt & hop character, brewed from 100% maris otter malted barley. It would have been much enjoyed by those who came to see the illuminations, visit Never Never Land and Peter Pans playground and feed on fish, chips & jellied eels! It would certainly have been preferable to the ghastly keg beers of the 60s, all of which have now thankfully passed to the great Red Barrel in the sky!



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Yapton
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Cambridge City Football  
Ground  
Milton Road
- 27th May** 3rd Rare Breed  
Rare Breeds Centre  
Woodchurch  
Ashford, Kent
- 14-17 June** 3rd Catford  
Lewisham Theatre  
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Catford
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- 23-24 June** 7th Surrey  
Dorking Halls  
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- 13-15 July** 21st Kent  
Cowshed  
Merton Farm  
Canterbury
- 1-5 Aug** Great British Beer Festival  
Grand Hall  
Olympia  
London W8
- 18-19 Aug** 20th Portsmouth  
Guildhall  
Portsmouth

## RICHMOND & HOUNSLOW NEWS

The MOON ON THE SQUARE opened in the Centre, Feltham on April 5th, giving a much needed fillip to Feltham drinkers. This large pub on the site of the Cricketers boasts the regular range of beers: Younger Scotch Bitter, Theakston XB, Courage Directors Bitter, Marston Pedigree and the chosen guest beer. Manager Ian hopes to put on other guest beers if there is sufficient demand.

Between the Moon and the excellent GENERAL ROY in Poplar Way, what was once a beer desert, Feltham now offers one of the best choices of beers in the area.

**Doug Scott**

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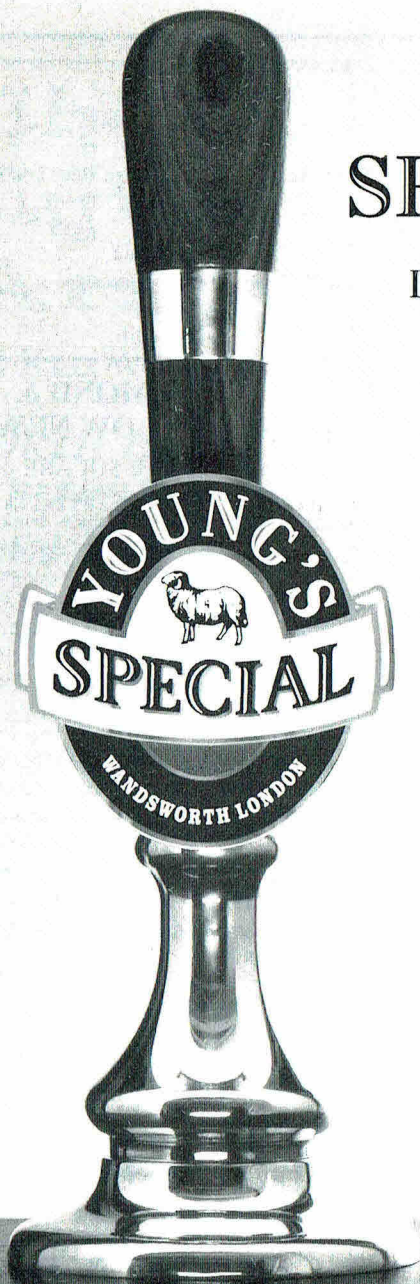
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**Thursday 29th June:** Join the party at either the Freemasons Arms, Long Acre WC2 at 6.30pm or at 8.15pm at the Chandos, St Martins Lane, WC2; finishing at the Ship, 116 Wardour Street W1 and a free pint with the organiser.

**Saturday 8th July:** Start at 11.15am at The Stargazey, Fulham Road, Chelsea. Finish back there at 4pm with a free buffet and free beer courtesy of Fullers.

**Tuesday 18th July:** Join the party at either the Windmill, 6 Mill Street, W1 at 6.30pm or at 8.15pm at Worcester Arms, 89, George Street W1. Finish at the George & Dragon, 151, Cleveland Street and a free pint with the organiser.

For further information contact Anne Lodge, 0181 889 0513.

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Dear Editors,

Chris Cobbold very accurately points to the decline of most of those London pubs which are still in the ownership of the big brewers or pub chains which are usually closely related to them in some way, (April Editorial). It is not just cheap continental imports which are killing these pubs, otherwise Youngs and Fullers pubs, which are certainly not cheap, would be going the same way.

It is a deliberate strategy by the men in suits and accountants who see pubs not places for a social drink or community chat, but for profit. Fewer, but more profitable pubs would suit them. Would it suit CAMRA if the beer quality was better and the beers on offer more varied? I hope not.

So, to take matters on shouldn't CAMRA be pressurising the Labour Party for a

commitment that it will bring in legislation to protect the traditional pub from the ravages of the free market? Perhaps by the same kind of subsidy that is given to some bus and rail routes and for the same reason. Pubs are more than beer, they are life itself.

Yours sincerely,

Keith Flett  
London N17

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Dear Editors,

As a CAMRA member, Ale enthusiast and not least as somebody employed in the "Beerage" I have extreme interest in the selling and promoting of cask conditioned ale, particularly to those members of the public yet to discover the merits and pleasures associated with the consumption of cask ale.

There are a small number of licencees totally committed to promoting traditional ale, but alas for every one licencee extolling the virtues of cask ale, there are considerably more, happy dispensing lager, stout and the "new wave" mixed gas keg beers.

CAMRA Beer Festivals, are by and large,

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# Jester

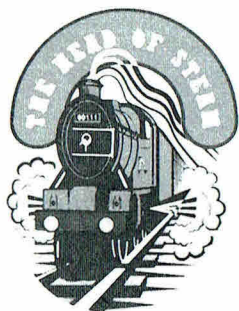
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superbly organised and extremely popular, representing a wonderful opportunity for traditional ale to be introduced or re-introduced to a wider drinking public.

The publicity that some of the festivals generate is such that many of those attending have little knowledge of the cask ale scene and are ready to hear and "drink" the arguments "for and against" drinking our country's heritage.

Apart from wishing to praise CAMRA's army of volunteers for planning and running such good festivals I would like to air one of my areas of concern.

Looking at one of London's most recent festivals (London Drinker, Camden Centre) it shows that over half of the featured breweries are 5 or less years old. Of the 25 breweries listed only 3 or 4 are southern brewers and by far the majority of featured brewers would fit most peoples definition of 'micro-brewers' or 'pub-brewery's'.

Let me be the first to say that micro-brewers, pub brewery's, beers from the Midlands, West, East and North are just as able to produce good beer as anybody else. They probably produce better beer than most. Being a new brewery too is no barrier in the production of cask ale.

My point is this... Assuming anybody

attending a festival for the first time enjoys the fruits of the brewers labour, where will he be able to repeat the experience?

Wouldn't it be better to offer a better combination of regional brewers beers and micro's enabling the converts the opportunity to realistically badger his local "governor" to get some in. There would be a good chance too that our newly converted ale drinker would re-discover his old favourites whilst away from the capital at weekends, holidays, business trips etc.

There are many regional brewers still under exposed in London, presumably having elected not to opt for nationalised exposure from the BIG 5 i.e. King & Barnes, Arkells, Batemans, Felinfoel, Robinsons, Adnams, Mansfield, Everards, Tolly, Ridleys, Brains etc, etc.

The promotion of these beers need not be at the expense of new, micro brewers, but hopefully side by side; the festivals would appeal to both the knowledgeable CAMRA drinker as well as the all important converts.

Yours faithfully,

B A Wilkinson

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## BEER BRIEFING

### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 102

This month we welcome no less than 8 brand new pubs and 2 significant conversions. These include 3 Regent Inns outlets in WC2 Covent Garden, N13 Palmers Green and SW11 Battersea; 2 Wetherspoons in Petts Wood and Feltham; 2 Old Monks in WC1 Holborn and EC2 City; a real ale/transport emporium at N1 Euston and a Fullers "Ale & Pie" House in Surbiton. We have lost at least 2 Taylor Walker real ale pubs to the "Scruffy Murphy" Irish theme and more 'silly names' are recorded. We also include a comprehensive update to the recently published South East London guide.

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, 4th edition; 3SE – 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

**EC2, OLD MONK**, 128 Bishopsgate, Courage: Directors Bitter, Greene King: IPA, Marston: Pedigree, Theakston: Best Bitter, XB, Wadworth: 6X, Guest beer, New Free House opened in March 1995 and operated by the 'Old Monk Pub Co' believed to be related to Wetherspoons. Large basement bar created under office block. Comfortably furnished in typical 'Wetherspoon' style but with red replacing blue as the predominant colour. No smoking/eating area at rear. Food 12-10. Open 11-11 Mon-Fri, closed weekends.

**WC1, OLD MONK**, 39 Grays Inn Road, Morland: Old Speckled Hen, Theakston: Best Bitter, Wadworth: 6X, Younger: Scotch Bitter, Guest beers. Another new Free House run by the Old Monk Pub Co. Opened in former wine bar/restaurant premises in July 1994. Pine panelled/carpeted decor with island bar. Food 12-10 (sunday 12-2.30, 7-9.30). Open all permitted hours.

**WC2, OUTBACK INN**, 11 Henrietta Street, Brakspear: Bitter, John Smith: Bitter, New Regent Inns Free House in former commercial premises with bare board decor and an Australian theme. Open all permitted hours.

##### NORTH

**N13, OCCASIONAL HALF**, 67-77 Green Lanes, Bass, Brakspear: Bitter, Courage: Best Bitter, Mac's Best Bitter (House beer, £1.30, probably Hancock: HB), Theakston: XB, New Regent Inns Free House in former shop premises. Comfortably furnished with carpets and sofas. Disabled toilet. Food. Open all permitted hours.

##### SOUTH EAST

**PETTS WOOD, SOVEREIGN OF THE SEAS**, 109-111 Queensway, Courage: Directors Bitter, Theakston: Best Bitter, XB, Wadworth: 6X, Younger: Scotch Bitter, Guest beer, New Wetherspoon Free House in former shop premises opened in March 1995. Usual decor now including 'fireside alcove' with dusty bottles. Named after the largest ship in the Navy launched at Woolwich in 1637 for Charles I. It was constructed by Peter Pett from a shipbuilding family which gave its name to oak woods in the locality used in ship construction. Local history panels record that General De Gaulle and his family live locally for a short period in 1940 after escaping occupied France. No smoking area at rear end of bar. Food. Disabled toilet. Open all permitted hours.

##### SOUTH WEST

**SW11, SIGNIFICANT HALF**, 3-7 Northcote Road,

Brakspear: Bitter, Greene King: Sorcerer (4.5% ABV), Wadworth: 6X, New Regent Inns Free House in former shop premises decorated in cafe-bar style, bare boards, pine furniture and stripy sofas. Food. Open all permitted hours.

**SURBITON, DENBY DALE**, 84 Victoria Road, Fuller: Chiswick Bitter, London Pride, ESB, seasonal beer (currently IPA), New Fullers 'Ale & Pie' House in former bank premises adjacent to Surbiton Station. Internal decor includes wood panelling, snob screens and stained glass. Whilst catering for the food trade a pub atmosphere prevails. Food 12-9. Open all permitted hours.

##### WEST

**FELTHAM, CRICKETERS**, 30 The Centre, High Street, Reopened and renamed **MOON ON THE SQUARE**, Courage: Directors Bitter, Marston: Pedigree, Theakston: Best Bitter, XB, Younger: Scotch Bitter, Guest beer, Farmbrand Country Cider (4.8% ABV), Latest Wetherspoon Free House in former Courage pub closed in 1993. Modern building with side entrance to pedestrian shopping area. Open plan interior, ground floor disabled toilet. Staircase disappointingly serves only toilets upstairs. Local history panels and photos of Feltham adorn the walls. (W100, U89)

**HOUNSLOW, RUBY TUESDAY**, 417 Staines Road, Reopened and renamed **HUNGRY HORSE**, Bass, Boddington: Bitter, Marston: Pedigree, Webster: Green Label Best, (W128, U91, U95, U98)

**WEST DRAYTON, CLUBHOUSE**, Stockley Park Golf Course, off Bennetts Field Road, Adnams: Broadside, Wells Bombardier, New Free House located on first floor of golf complex forming part of Stockley Park business and country park development and opened in 1993 but not previously reported. Extensive views over park and golf course. Food lunchtime. Open Mon-Sat 11-7, Sun 12-3, longer opening hours in summer. Beers may vary.

##### OUTSIDE LONDON

**GATWICK AIRPORT, RED LION**, North Terminal, International Departure Lounge (airside), Courage: Best Bitter, Theakston: Best Bitter, XB, Wadworth: 6X, Younger: Scotch Bitter, Guest beer, Weston: Cider, Wetherspoon Free House open only to passengers with air tickets. Opens 24 hours including for food.

#### PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE

##### CENTRAL

**EC4, KING & KEYS**, Renamed **SCRUFFY MURPHYS**, H removed, Converted to Taylor Walker Irish theme pub. (E50)

**W1(S), QUEENS HEAD**, Renamed **SCRUFFY**



## BEER BRIEFING

### LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 102 continued

**MURPHYS.** H removed. Another Taylor Walker Irish theme pub conversion. (W44, U48, U90)

#### SOUTH WEST

**SW3, GREENS.** Renamed **CAHOOTS.** H removed and converted to cafe-bar. (SW20)

### OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES

#### CENTRAL

**EC4, GLOBE.** Renamed **TOAD IN THE HOLE.** -Beers listed. +Bass. +Boddington: Bitter. Courage: Best Bitter. +Fuller: London Pride. +Young: Special. Latest Magic Pub Co renaming with usual refurbishment. (E48, U98)

**W1(May), GILLRAYS BAR.** -Flowers: IPA. (W39, U90, U93)

#### NORTH WEST

**NW1, CLUTTERBUCKS (ALE HOUSE).** Reverted to **HOPE & ANCHOR.** (N120, U91)

**NW1, RAILS.** Euston Station Concourse (near bus station). Renamed **HERO OF STEAM.** -Beers listed. +Bass. +Bateman: XXXB (or Salem Porter). +Hop Back: Summer Lightning. +Shefford: Mild. +Shepherd Neame: Bitter (or Spitfire). +4 Varying guest beers from predominantly small breweries (eg Black Sheep, Daleside etc.). +Biddenden: Cider. Free House acquired by new company set up by former beer agency 'Legendary Yorkshire heroes' and first of a proposed chain. Railway memorabilia, transport models and videos for sale. Food until 10.30pm (10pm Sunday). Open all permitted hours, children's licence granted. Note correct address. (N126)

#### SOUTH WEST

**SW9, LOUGHBOROUGH HOTEL.** Now a Free House, ex Charrington, still fizz (HU). (SW36)

**SW9, OLD WHITE HORSE.** -Beers listed. +Tetley: Bitter. (SW36)

**SW18, TWO BREWERS.** Renamed **BREWERS INN.** Now a residential hotel but retaining bars open to the public. (SW54)

**KINGSTON, CANBURY ARMS.** +Guest beers from micro-breweries. (SW65, U60, U61, U68)

**KINGSTON, DUKE TAVERN.** -Courage: Directors Bitter. Formerly DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE. (SW65, U99)

**KINGSTON, LADY JANE.** -Beers listed. +Courage: Best Bitter. Formerly LIVERPOOL ARMS. (SW66, U99)

**KINGSTON, KELLY ARMS.** +Guest beers, including a Titanic brew. (SW66)

**NEW MALDEN, DUKE OF WELLINGTON.** +King & Barnes: Broadwood. (SW70, U58)

**NEW MALDEN, FOUNTAIN.** +Theakston: Best Bitter. (SW70)

#### WEST

**W2, BENTLEYS.** Renamed **RAT & PARROT.** -Courage: Best Bitter. +Theakston: Best Bitter, XB. +Wadworth: 6X. (W58, U55, U94)

**W4, WINDMILL.** -Fuller: Hock, ESB. (W69, U92, U101)

**W6, HOP POLES.** Is a S&N 'Barras & Co' concept pub. (W76, U72, U74, U95, U101)

**HOUNSLOW, DUKE OF WELLINGTON.** -Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. +Courage: Best Bitter. (W126, U91, U98, U99, U101)

**HOUNSLOW, HUSSAR.** -Young: Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. Is a Delaney's Free House. (W126, U56, U75, U91, U99)

**HOUNSLOW, QUEEN VICTORIA.** -Fuller: Hock. +Fuller: Chiswick Bitter, IPA. Pub still open despite

demolition threat. (W128, U91)

**HOUNSLOW, WINDMILL.** +Wadworth: 6X. (W126, U71, U77, U82, U95, U99, U101)

### S.E. LONDON PUB GUIDE (4TH EDITION)

#### ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES, OMISSIONS & CORRECTIONS

The South East London Pub Guide (4th edition) was published in January 1995 and covers the SE London postal district only. As a result of delays in printing, much of the survey material dates from early 1994, hence information on pubs in the area included in recent London Drinker updates has not generally been included in the guide. In addition, there are a number of omissions and errors, and former names of renamed pubs (since the last edition) are not comprehensively included. The listings below therefore include a compendium of all known information to date necessary to bring the new guide up to date with cross references to the relevant page numbers.

Outer south east London areas in Bexley, Bromley and Croydon Boroughs are not covered in the 4th edition. Real ale pubs in Bexley and Bromley (at the time of survey) were included in the Kent guide (8th edition) but the guide was not comprehensive. A new guide covering Croydon Borough is planned. Consequently until such time as comprehensive guides are published for Bexley, Bromley and Croydon Boroughs, the updates will continue to refer to the relevant pages in the S.E. London Pub Guide 3rd Edition (i.e. pages 204 to 288) referred to as 3SE followed by the page number.

**SE1, ABBEY.** Formerly GENERAL ABERCROMBIE. (SE8)

**SE1, ARCH 970.** Was a S&N pub. (SE9)

**SE1, BABUSHKA.** Formerly OLD KINGS HEAD. (SE10)

**SE1, BALCONY BAR.** Formerly TRIPS BAR. (SE10)

**SE1, BONAPARTES CAFE BAR.** Delete 'CAFE BAR' - not part of title. (SE10)

**SE1, BRIDGE HOUSE (YE OLDE),** 218 Tower Bridge Road. Should read **BRIDGE HOUSE (YE OLD).** (SE11)

**SE1, BRIEFS WINE BAR.** Renamed **INDIANNAS** 7/90. Free House, demolished by 1994. (SE11)

**SE1, BRITANNIA.** Now Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (SE11)

**SE1, BUNTERS BAR & RESTAURANT.** Delete 'BAR & RESTAURANT' - not part of title. (SE12)

**SE1, CAFE DELL'UGO,** 56 Tooley Street. Boddington: Bitter. A Whitbread cafe bar. Formerly TOOLEYS, previously STATION HOUSE. (3SE41, U55, U74, U97) (omitted)

**SE1, COOPERS,** opp. Platforms 2/3, Waterloo Main Line Station Concourse. Bass. Fuller: London Pride. Tetley: Bitter. Worthington: Best Bitter. Young: Special. Basement Travellers Fare Free House, opened 7/94. (U95) (omitted)

**SE1, COOPERAGE,** 48/50 Tooley Street (entrance in Stainer Street). Davys: Old Wallop. A Davys Free House (description in U99) (omitted)

**SE1, DEAN SWIFT.** Formerly BRICKLAYERS. (SE13)

**SE1, DOCKHEAD.** Formerly DOCKHEAD STORES. (SE13)

**SE1, DRAPERS TAVERN.** Is Grand Met (Watney), not Charrington. (SE14)

**SE1, DUKE OF WELLINGTON.** Now Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (SE14)

**SE1, FLOWERS OF THE FOREST,** 123 Blackfriars Road. Was Grand Met (Courage) and was demolished in

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1994. (SE16)

**SE1, FORT.** Formerly BUGLES, originally ROYAL FORT. (SE16)

**SE1, GEORGE.** 109 Long Lane. Reopened. No real ale. (SE17)

**SE1, GLOBE TAVERN.** 8 Bedale Street. Is a Wessex Taverns Free House. (SE18)

**SE1, HERCULES TAVERN.** Is subtitled MADIGANS. Note correct title (no 's). (SE20)

**SE1, HOP POLE.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE21)

**SE1, HORNS.** Is Grand Met (Courage). (SE21)

**SE1, KING WILLIAM IV.** Now Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker (Friary Meux badged). (SE23)

**SE1, MITRE.** Whitbread, demolished for Jubilee Line construction (SE25)

**SE1, MUG HOUSE.** 1 Tooley Street. Davys: Old Wallop. A Davys Free House (description in U99) (omitted)

**SE1, MULBERRY BUSH.** 89 Upper Ground. Young: Bitter, Special, Winter Warmer. Youngs pub opened 9/94. (description in U97) (omitted)

**SE1, OLD FATHER THAMES TAVERN.** Now a Whitbread pub, ex Grand Met (Watney) via Scottish & Newcastle and Magic Pub Co. Note full title. (SE27)

**SE1, PAVILION BAR.** Renamed BAR CENTRAL 4/94. Belchers: Best Bitter, Bootleg Bitter. Now a Grosvenor Inns 'Belcher' Free House. (description in U92) (SE28)

**SE1, PRINCE ALBERT.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE29)

**SE1, QUICK SNACK BUFFET BAR.** Is a 'Free House' dispensing Tetley on fizz. Delete 'BUFFET BAR' - not part of title. Formerly HUSSAR BUFFET BAR. (SE29)

**SE1, SHAKESPEARE TAVERN.** Formerly BEN TRUMAN. (SE32)

**SE1, STUDIO SIX.** Gabriels Wharf. 56 Upper Ground. Boddington: Bitter. Flowers: Original Bitter. Free House opened in 6/88. Prefabricated building, including restaurant, next to Gabriels Wharf market (U40, U47, U97) (omitted)

**SE1, SULTAN.** Reopened. Shepherd Neame: Bitter, Spitfire. (SE36)

**SE1, VALENTINES.** Formerly VALENTINE & ORSON. (SE37)

**SE1, WHEATSHEAF.** Closed Sundays. (SE38)

**SE1, WINCHESTER.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE39)

**SE1, WELLINGTON TAVERN.** Free House acquired by Regent Inns, being refurbished. (SE37)

**SE2, JOLLY MARSHMAN.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Watney) via S&N. (SE43)

**SE3, BRITISH OAK.** -John Smith: Bitter. -Wadworth: 6X. +Theakston: Best Bitter, Old Peculier. (SE45)

**SE3, CROWN HOTEL.** Now simply CROWN. Now S&N, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE46)

**SE3, DOVER PATROL.** Grand Met (Courage) demolished for housing development in 1994. (SE46)

**SE4, BROCKLEY JACK.** Now a magic Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage) via S&N. (SE51)

**SE4, GOLDEN DRAGON.** Address is 48 Norbert Road. -Courage: Best Bitter. +Webster: Yorkshire Bitter. (SE51)

**SE5, BREWERS.** Address is 546 Southampton Way. (SE56)

**SE5, FOUNTAIN.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Watney) via S&N. (SE58)

**SE5, IVANHOE.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). still fizz. (SE58)

**SE5, PAULET ARMS.** Maritime Taverns are now trading under Labatts name. Ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE61)

**SE5, PRINCE ALFRED.** Charrington. Demolished, site incorporated into Burgess Park. (SE61)

**SE5, SILVER BUCKLE.** Theakston: Best Bitter. Occasional guest beers. Refurbished. Open all permitted hours. (SE61)

**SE6, BLACK HORSE & HARROW.** Previously BLACK HORSE. (SE61)

**SE6, PRINCE HENRY.** Renamed PLACE HOUSE TAVERN. -Marston: Pedigree. +Boddington: Bitter. +Flowers: Original Bitter. +Wadworth: 6X. (SE68)

**SE6, TIGERS HEAD.** Previously SQUIRE. (SE69)

**SE7, THAMES BARRIER ARMS.** Grand Met (Watney). No real ale. H removed by 1991. No food. Description well out of date. (SE73)

**SE7, WOODMAN.** Charrington: IPA. Fuller: London Pride. Has consistently sold real ale. (See previous guide for description.) (SE74)

**SE8, BLUSHERS.** Formerly WINSTONS. (SE77)

**SE8, BRADYS BAR.** Reopened and reverted to RED LION. Ruddle: Best Bitter. (SE77)

**SE8, CROWS NEST.** Reopened. No real ale. (SE78)

**SE8, GOSTERWOOD TAVERN.** Formerly SPORTING HOUSE, previously ODD BALL. (SE80)

**SE8, McMILLANS.** Formerly REMYS. (SE81)

**SE8, MAMIE O'LEARYS.** Formerly WHITE SWAN. (SE81)

**SE8, MANSION HOUSE.** -Bishops: Cathedral Bitter. +Greene King: IPA (not always available). (SE81)

**SE8, NOAHS ARK.** +Courage: Directors Bitter. +Young: Bitter, Special. Now a Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE81)

**SE8, OLD MANOR HOUSE.** Young: Bitter, Special. Guest beer. Reopened as Free House, ex Charrington. (SE81)

**SE8, ROUND THE BEND.** Renamed NOBODYS INN. No real ale, H unused. Formerly BRADLEYS BAR, originally HARP OF ERIN. (SE82)

**SE9, WELCOME INN.** Reopened several years ago as part of Whitbread Beefeater chain. Boddington: Bitter. Flowers: Original Bitter. Marston: Pedigree. Wadworth: 6X. Guest beer. Spacious comfortable bar with separate eating area. (SE88)

**SE10, BELL.** Was acquired by Belhaven from Grand Met (Watney) in 5/89, still closed (SE92)

**SE10, BRITISH SAILOR.** Address should read 24 Lasse|| Street. (SE93)

**SE10, FROG & RADIATOR.** Formerly SHIP & BILLET. (SE94)

**SE10, GREENWICH VILLAGE.** Reverted to original name BRITISH QUEEN. in 5/89 and renamed again to RICKS in 10/93. Sells Bass. Now a 'Bar & Brasserie'. (SE95)

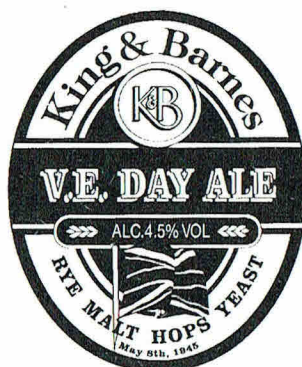
**SE10, McGOWANS FOX & HOUNDS.** Should be listed as FOX & HOUNDS. It is a McGowans owned Free House but this is not part of title. (SE98)

**SE10, MITRE.** 291 Greenwich High Road. -Charrington: IPA. +Courage: Best Bitter, Directors Bitter. +Fuller: London Pride. +John Smith: Bitter. An O'Sullivan's Free House, ex Charrington since 9/94, with one through bar. (SE98)



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**LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 102 continued**

**SE10, ROYAL ALBERT.** Grand Met (Courage), closed due to fire, future uncertain. (SE101)

**SE10, ROYAL STANDARD.** No real ale, H unused. (SE101)

**SE10, WHITE SWAN.** Was acquired by Belhaven from Grand Met (Watney) in 5/89, probably now free. (SE103)

**SE11, BLACK PRINCE.** Now Sycamore Taverns, ex Taylor Walker. (SE106)

**SE11, CHARLIE CHAPLIN.** Renamed **DOG HOUSE** 9/94. Fuller: London Pride. Now a Free House, ex Charrington. Comfortable two bar pub with friendly atmosphere and emphasis on food. Note previous correct title. (SE106)

**SE11, DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.** Renamed **DUKES** by 9/94. Appears to be open at least in evenings as disco bar. (SE106)

**SE11, LORD CLYDE.** Reportedly sold by Grand Met (Truman) to Brent Walker in 1989 but never reopened. (SE108)

**SE11, WHITE HART.** Renamed **FINCA**, a 'Tapas bar & restaurant' in 8/91. No real ale but beer etc. can be obtained at the bar without eating. (SE111)

**SE12, DUKE OF EDINBURGH.** Reopened as Free House (McDonnells). Hancock: HB. Shepherd Neame: Spitfire. Bishops Finger. Guest beer. Beers may vary. Small corner local. Live music Sunday lunchtime. (SE113)

**SE12, GROVE PARK TAVERN.** -Whitbread: WCPA. +Boddington: Bitter. Formerly CHINBROOK. (SE113)

**SE12, NORTHBROOK.** -Courage: Best Bitter. +Wychwood: Shires (ABV 3.4%). Best (4.2%). Now a Wychwood pub. Originally Watney, more recently run by Hennelly Taverns (SE114)

**SE13, ANCHOR.** -Flowers: IPA. -Whitbread: Strong Country Bitter. Now a Labatts Free House, ex Whitbread. (SE118)

**SE13, CASTLE.** Has not been renamed KELLYS. -Hancock: HB. +Bass. +Courage: Best Bitter. Directors Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. Real ale not always available. (SE118)

**SE13, DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.** Was a Taylor Walker pub. (SE118)

**SE13, FOX & FIRKIN.** House brewed beers including Ladywell (ABV 3.5%), Fox (4.3%) and Dogbolter (5.6%) held in cellar tanks under low mixed gas pressure. Guest beers in casks. (SE118)

**SE13, HANSBURYS FREE HOUSE.** 'FREE HOUSE' is not part of the title. Formerly SIR DAVID BREWSTER. (SE120)

**SE13, ROSE OF LEE.** Previously SPORTS. (SE122)

**SE13, SWAN.** Full title is now 'THE FAMOUS SWAN OF LEE' i.e. **SWAN (THE FAMOUS, OF LEE)**. (SE123)

**SE14, CROWN.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Charrington. No real ale, H removed. (SE126)

**SE14, FOX.** Whitbread, closed and converted to a tyre shop by 3/90. (U53) (SE127)

**SE14, GOLDSMITHS TAVERN.** Grand Met (Courage), converted to **TOUCHDOWN** nite spot - a multi racial club by 10/94. (SE127)

**SE14, HOLLERANS TAVERN.** Formerly DUKE OF ALBANY. (SE127)

**SE14, MONTAGUE ARMS.** Should be listed under **SE15** - an error carried forward from the previous guide.

Full postal address is SE15 2PA. (SE128)

**SE14, PARADISE BAR.** Formerly ROYAL ALBERT. (SE128)

**SE14, RAILWAY TAVERN.** Was a Charrington pub. (SE130)

**SE14, ROYAL ARCHER.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE130)

**SE15, CADELEIGH ARMS.** Should read **CADELEIGH ARMS**. (SE134)

**SE15, CHIMES.** Was a Free House. (SE134)

**SE15, CROWN.** Renamed **SALLY O'BRIENS**. (SE134)

**SE15, HEATONS ARMS.** Courage: Best Bitter. Formerly DUCHESS OF PECKHAM. Note correct title. (SE136)

**SE15, HOLLYDALES.** Formerly HOLLYDALE TAVERN. (SE136)

**SE15, KING JOHN.** Formerly BRITANNIA (SE136)

**SE15, LONDON & BRIGHTON.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Charrington. Still fizz. (SE136)

**SE15, McCABE FREE HOUSE.** Should read **McCABES TAVERN**. Now a Free House, ex Whitbread. Formerly APPLE TREE. (SE137)

**SE15, MAN OF KENT.** Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Truman) via S&N. (SE137)

**SE15, SAILOR PRINCE.** Was a Free House. (SE139)

**SE16, BARONS ARMS,** 122 Oldfield Grove. Closed former Charrington pub with boarded up ground floor; upper floors converted to flats, future uncertain. (omitted)

**SE16, BOATMAN.** Formerly ROYAL GEORGE. (SE145)

**SE16, SURREY DOCKS TAVERN.** Previously FITCHETTS. (SE152)

**SE17, BELL.** Formerly ROYAL ALBERT. (SE155)

**SE17, FLACKS.** Formerly DUCHESS OF YORK. (SE156)

**SE17, GOOD INTENT.** Grand Met (Courage), reopened, still fizz. (SE158)

**SE17, LIAM O G'S TAVERN.** Formerly ROCK. (SE159)

**SE17, PRINCE ALFRED.** Renamed **BEATEN PATH**, 9/94. Bishop: Cathedral Bitter (ABV 3.7%). Flowers: IPA. Morland: Old Speckled Hen. Tetley: Bitter. Beers may vary. Now a Free House, ex Ind Coope. Refurbished. (SE159)

**SE17, ROYAL STANDARD.** Bass. Flowers: IPA. (SE160)

**SE17, SURREY GARDENS ARMS,** 204 Manor Place. Should have read SURREY GARDENS (not ARMS). Renamed **ROSIE O'GRADYS**, 7/90. (SE160)

**SE18, FORTYS.** Renamed WESTMINSTER ARMS 4/94, stil fizz. Originally DERBY ARMS. (SE168)

**SE18, FOX UNDER THE HILL.** Bass. Boddington: Bitter. Webster: Green Label Best. Now a Magic Free House, ex Grand Met (Watney) via S&N. (SE168)

**SE18, HORSE & GROOM.** Previously SPORTS. (SE169)

**SE18, LORD BLOOMFIELD.** Belhaven, closed for sale, future uncertain. (SE169)

**SE18, LORD RAGLAN.** Reopened. Tetley: Bitter. (SE169)

**SE18, MELBOURNE ARMS.** Is a Free House, not Belhaven (SE169)

**SE18, MILLION HARE.** Is a Free House, not Belhaven (SE169)

**SE18, RED LION,** 95 Plumstead High Street. John Smith: Bitter. Theakston: Best Bitter. Pub of character. Now S&N, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE173)

**BEER BRIEFING**  
**LONDON BEER GUIDES UPDATE 102 continued**

**SE18, STAR**, 84 Wellington Street. Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE174)

**SE18, UNION TAVERN**. -Bass. +Courage: Directors Bitter. +John Smith: Bitter. +Ruddle: County. Now a Conquest Inns Free House, ex Charrington. (SE174)

**SE19, ALMA**. +Guest beer. (SE178)

**SE19, CONQUERING HERO**. -Courage: Directors Bitter. +Theakston: Best Bitter. (SE179)

**SE19, PALACE TAVERN**, Queens Hotel. Renamed **CELLAR BAR**. Is a Free House, not Charrington. (SE180)

**SE19, QUEENS ARMS**. Now a Magic Free House, ex Grand Met (Watney) via S&N. (SE180)

**SE19, WHITE HART**. Charrington. No real ale. (SE181)

**SE20, GALLERY**, 14/16 High Street, Penge. Free House, opens Thursday to Sunday only, admission charge after 10pm Fri/Sat. (U83) (omitted)

**SE20, GOLDSMITHS ARMS**. +House beer (ABV 3.3%). (SE188)

**SE20, LORD PALMERSTON**. Grand Met (Watney), closed for sale. (SE189)

**SE20, MARKET TAVERN**. Real ale not always available. Formerly DEWDROP INN. (SE189)

**SE20, MOON & STARS**, 164/166 High Street, Penge. Courage: Directors Bitter. Theakston: Best Bitter, XB. Wadworth: 6X. Younger: Scotch Bitter. Guest beer. New Wetherspoon Free House opened in 12/94, (description in U99) (omitted)

**SE20, QUEEN ADELAIDE**. Ruddle: Best Bitter. Still displays STREETS as a secondary name. (SE190)

**SE20, ROYAL OAK**. No real ale, H removed. Now a Free House, ex Charrington. (SE190)

**SE21, ROSENDALE**. Should read **ROSENDALE TAVERN**. (SE194)

**SE22, CASABLANCA TAVERN**, 78 East Dulwich Grove, Boddington: Bitter. Free House in former restaurant premises. (U96) (omitted)

**SE22, NEW HAMLET INN**. Formerly DULWICH MANOR, previously CHEERS. (SE200)

**SE22, UPLANDS TAVERN**. Should read **UPLAND TAVERN**. Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE201)

**SE23, BIRD IN HAND**. +Regular guest beers. (SE204)

**SE23, FOREST HILL HOTEL**. Now simply **FOREST HILL**. (SE205)

**SE23, GENERAL NAPIER**. Address should read 73 Bovill Road. (SE205)

**SE23, MALT SHOVEL**. Now a Greenalls owned Free House. (SE205)

**SE23, PIE & KILDERKIN**. -Beers listed. +Wychwood: Shires (ABV 3.4%), Dogs Bollocks (6.5%). Now a Wychwood pub, originally Watney, more recently run by Hennelly Taverns. (SE207)

**SE24, HALF MOON HOTEL**. Should read simply **HALF MOON**. (SE210)

**SE24, TULSE HILL TAVERN**. Should read **TULSE HILL HOTEL**. (SE210)

**SE25, ALBERT TAVERN**. -Beers listed. +Bass. +Boddington: Bitter. +Webster: Green Label Best. +2 Guest beers. Now a Magic Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage) via S&N. (SE213)

**SE25, CHERRY TREES**. -Boddington: Bitter. +Courage: Best Bitter. +2 Guest beers. (SE214)

**SE25, PLEASANT PHEASANT**. Formerly SPREAD EAGLE. (SE217)

**SE25, PORTMANOR**. -Fuller: London Pride. (SE217)

**SE26, RAILWAY TAVERN**, 401 Southend Lane. Now a Labatts Free House, ex Grand Met (Courage). (SE224)

**SE27, RAILWAY TAVERN**. Should read **RAILWAY**, formerly BUFFERS. (SE229)

**SE27, TWO TOWERS**. Tetley: Bitter. (For description see previous guide.) (SE229)

**SE28, CUTTY SARK**. +John Smith: Bitter. (SE231)

**PUBS 'LOST' SINCE 3RD EDITION, 6/88**

The new guide lists a few pubs now demolished or converted to other uses, but it is not comprehensive in this respect. For the record, the following additional pubs have also been 'lost' over the six year period since the last guide was printed.

**SE1, DUKE OF KENT**, 365 Old Kent Road. Ind Coope, converted to Nigerian Muslim centre.

**SE1, GOOSEBERIES**, 86 Old Kent Road. Belhaven, renamed CAESARS. Now a 'nite spot' with entry fee. Previously UNCLE SAM'S.

**SE1, HORSESHOE**, 115 Tower Bridge Road. Grand Met (Watney), demolished.

**SE1, ROYAL GEORGE**, 27 Carlisle Lane. Free House, demolished for Channel Tunnel Terminal access railway lines.

**SE1, ROYAL OAK**, 97 Tooley Street. Whitbread, demolished.

**SE6, GOVERNOR GENERAL**, 360 Verdant Lane. Grand Met (Watney), demolished. Site used for petrol filling station. (Listed erroneously under Bromley in 3rd edition guide)

**SE8, BROWN BEAR**, 154 Deptford High Street. Free House, converted to community project accommodation and flats.

**SE8, DOVER CASTLE**, 7 Deptford Broadway. Free House, renamed BROADWAY TAP, demolished after fire.

**SE9, KING & QUEEN**, 76 Kimmeridge Road. Grand Met (Truman), demolished for new housing development.

**SE15, TRAFALGAR**, 47 Sumner Road. Grand Met (Watney), converted to private members club, ATTITUDE.

**SE16, BLOOMERS**, 37 Brunel Road. Free House, converted to Chinese restaurant. Formerly BRICKLAYERS ARMS.

**SE23, TYROLS**, 149 Stanstead Street. Grand Met (Watney), demolished for new housing development. Formerly SWISS COTTAGE.

**SE26, NEW ELLERSLIE HOTEL**, 2 Sydenham Hill. Renamed **ASTRA PALACE HOTEL**. Now an unlicensed residential hotel.

**CORRECTIONS TO UPDATE 101**

**PUBS CLOSED OR CEASED SELLING REAL ALE**

**E1, HEARTS OF OAK**. Ref should read (E67, U73)

**E1, KNAVE OF CLUBS**. Ref should read (E69)

**OTHER CHANGES TO PUBS & BEER RANGES**

**W4, GEORGE IV**. Delete ref to Fuller: Hock – not sold.

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FIVE YEARS AGO orange featured as the second colour on both covers and six other pages of the May 1990 issue. The back advertised the Greenwich Real Ale Festival. The front, unusually, only bore words, "Guest Beers Arrive" and Boddington Under Threat", each followed by page number references. One for the latter led to an advert including the words "Don't drink it!" Both formed the content of Andy's Editorial, which dwelt largely on brewery closures and mergers.

King & Barnes took a full page advert to list their 25 London outlets.

"The Brewers Dray" was a survey and history of that organisation, a joint venture by several independent breweries to make their distribution in the London area more economical.

"Far from the London Crowd" described a visit by a group from S.E. London Branch to Dorset in order to sample the local ales, and visit the breweries.

Piers Todd had visited, and offered a description of, the Bridge, Topsham, where the cellarkeeper, a lady, had been pronounced the best in Britain.

It had been stated in Parliament that imperial measures for spirits were about to be phased out and replaced by measures of 25 ml, which became mandatory at the beginning of this year.

Taylor Walker had been making their pubs more accessible for the disabled.

That's about all for this month.

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Notwithstanding this, I have done a few sums to come up with an amount of alcohol that could be used as a standard "unit of alcohol". Because there is no such thing as a standard ordinary bitter, I went to the other end of the scale and looked at the bottles of spirits in my cabinet. There were several bottles of Scotch and a bottle of mother's ruin (I seem to be given them but hardly ever drink any) and they all (all eight bottles – terrible isn't it!) proclaimed the strength of their contents to be 40% ABV. So here we have a standard starting point. Also since the beginning of the year the standard measure for spirits in pubs throughout Great Britain has been set at 25 millilitres (a little under 1 fluid ounce). From this we can say that a standard measure of a standard spirit contains 40% of 25 ml which is 10 millilitres of alcohol. So let us say (and I have never seen this in print before) that one "unit of alcohol" is ten millilitres of alcohol. There, now we have a standard, even if it is unofficial, that we can use to compare different strengths of beer.

Now assuming that when we go to our local pub tonight we get a full pint of beer, this will contain 568 millilitres of liquid some of which will be alcohol and to try to get back to standards a half pint will contain 284 millilitres (unless it's a "half pint" bottle which actually contains 275 ml). If our half pint were to contain exactly one "new standardised unit of alcohol", ie 10 millilitres, its alcoholic strength would be 3.52% ABV (quite an easy sum – it's 10 times 100 divided by 284). So now we can compare this to some sample beers picked not quite at random from the back of the Good Beer Guide. The following little list gives the number of "new standardised units of alcohol" per half pint of the beers in question:

Fuller:	Hock (3.2%) – 0.91 units
	Chiswick Bitter (3.5%) – 0.99 units
	London Pride (4.1%) – 1.16 units
	ESB (5.5%) – 1.56 units
Young:	Bitter (3.7%) – 1.05 units
	Special (4.6%) – 1.31 units
	Winter Warmer (5%) – 1.42 units

You can do the sums for any other beer yourselves by dividing the ABV of the beer in question by 3.52.

Finally, I did learn one thing new at the BR seminar that I referred to earlier and it was this. When you do all your calculations about how long it takes to get rid of the alcohol in your bloodstream at the standard one unit per hour, do not count the time from when you start drinking, count the time from an hour AFTER you STOP drinking. The reason for this is that your liver does not start breaking the alcohol down until it senses that the blood alcohol level has stopped rising and that is some time after you stop drinking. So now you know; however slowly you drink your blood alcohol level peaks about one hour after you stop.

Sorry to have gone on so long but I wanted to get it all said in one go.

Andy Pirson

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## THE CITY HOUSE

The Lord Mayor of London has reopened what is believed to have been the last pub wrecked by the IRA before the Northern Ireland peace initiative got under way.

The City House, a Young's pub in Bishopsgate, City of the London, was ripped apart by a massive bomb in 1993 and was later demolished along with neighbouring buildings that were beyond repair.

Now the Lord Mayor, Alderman Christopher Walford, has declared the new pub open. He and brewery chairman John Young welcomed back the licensees, Nigel and Karolina Field, who were in charge of another Young's pub while the City House was being rebuilt. The pub was closed for the weekend, in common with most City pubs, when the bombers struck. The Fields were six miles away at their home in Bayswater, but Mr Field had been intending to pop into the City House to do some paperwork.

"The alarm went off and I switched it off," he recalled. "Then I turned over and went back to sleep. Tiredness saved my life."

The City House – taken over by Youngs in 1991 – was the only one of the brewery's 180 pubs not to serve draught beer, because there was no proper cellar. But cellar facilities have been incorporated into the new building and Young's Special is now quenching City workers' thirsts.

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# **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 SURPRISE  
 SW10 FERRET & FIRKIN  
 SW10 KINGS ARMS, 190 Fulham Road  
 SW10 STARGAZEY  
 SW11 BEEHIVE  
 SW11 DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE  
 SW11 PLOUGH  
 SW11 UNITY  
 SW12 MOON UNDER WATER  
 SW12 NIGHTINGALE  
 SW12 PRINCE OF WALES  
 SW13 BULLS HEAD  
 SW13 RED LION  
 SW14 HARE & HOUNDS  
 SW15 FOX & HOUNDS  
 SW15 GREEN MAN  
 SW16 HALF & HALF  
 SW16 PIED BULL  
 SW16 WHITE LION  
 SW17 CASTLE  
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 SW17 LEATHER BOTTLE  
 SW18 BREWERY TAP  
 SW18 COUNTY ARMS  
 SW18 HALFWAY HOUSE  
 SW18 OLD SERGEANT  
 SW18 PIG & WHISTLE  
 SW18 SPOTTED DOG  
 SW18 SPREAD EAGLE  
 SW19 ALEXANDRA  
 SW19 GROVE  
 SW19 KINGS HEAD  
 SW19 PRINCE OF WALES, Morden Road  
 SW19 PRINCESS ROYAL  
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 RICHMOND, TRIPLE CROWN  
 RICHMOND, WATERMANS ARMS  
 RICHMOND, WHITE CROSS  
 SURBITON, BUN SHOP  
 SURBITON, NEW PRINCE  
 SURBITON, RISING SUN  
 SUTTON, MOON ON THE HILL  
 SUTTON, NEW TOWN  
 WALLINGTON, WHISPERING MOON  
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 W1 BEEHIVE, 7 Homer Street  
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 W1 MOON & SIXPENCE  
 W1 MORTIMER ARMS  
 W1 WESTMORELAND ARMS  
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 W3 KINGS ARMS  
 W4 WINDMILL  
 W5 PLOUGH  
 W5 RED LION  
 W5 ROSE & CROWN  
 W5 WHEATSHEAF  
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 W6 RICHMOND ARMS  
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 W11 FROG & FIRKIN  
 W12 MOON ON THE GREEN  
 W13 THE FORESTER  
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 READING, HOP LEAF  
 READING, MONKS RETREAT  
 READING, THREE GUINEAS  
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 SALISBURY, WYNDHAM ARMS  
 STEVENAGE, RED LION  
 SOUTHAMPTON, WATERLOO ARMS  
 STAINES, CAVALIER  
 STAINES, PHOENIX  
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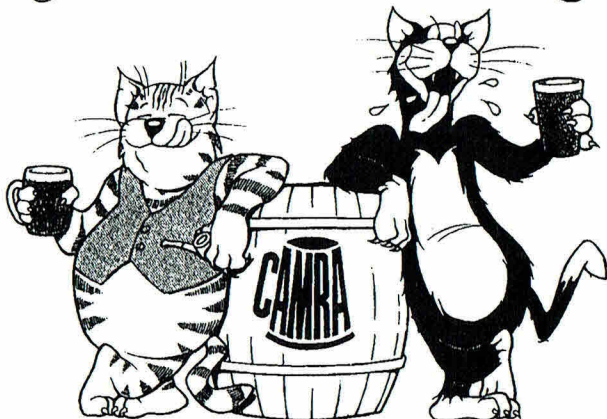
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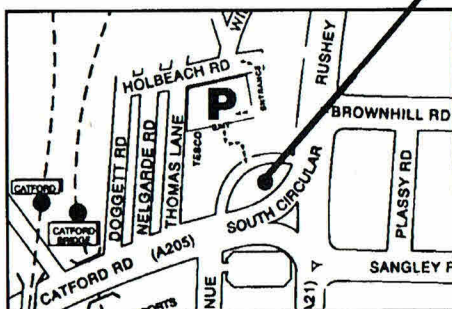
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