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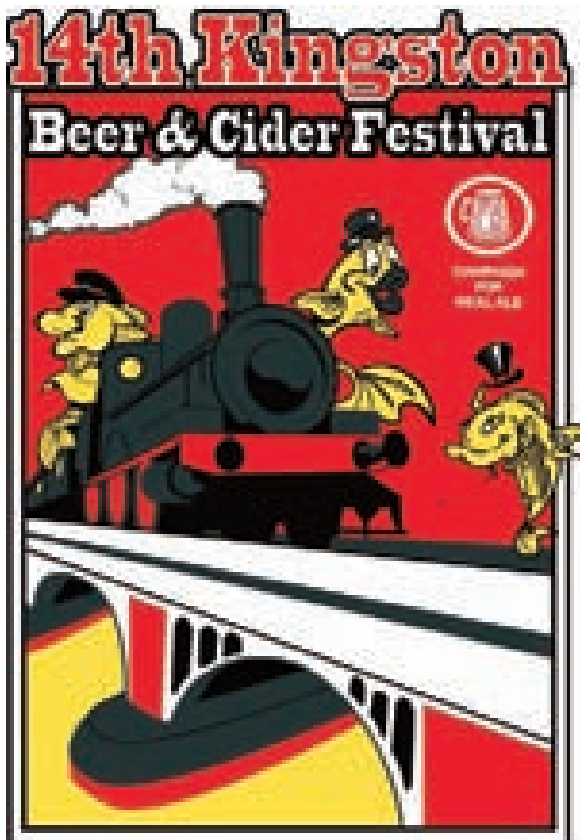


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The Campaigning Issue

Welcome to this bumper edition of News & Ale for Spring 2013. The theme for this one is campaigning. We have a feature on the fight to save the Tumbledown Dick in Farnborough, and a report on the mass lobby of Parliament organised by CAMRA in December. Even our occasional correspondent "Malty" has something to say about the proposed minimum alcohol pricing!

But it's not all about waving placards; we also have articles on Irish micro-breweries, breweries in Woking, past and present, and the Grumpy Old Man makes his regular appearance, this time with musings on children on trains and in pubs (where else?). A lot has been happening on the pub front recently so we have a larger than usual section with updates notified to the editor, along with details of forthcoming events from this and our neighbouring Surrey branches.

Cheers!

John

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The Fight to Save the Tumbledown Dick

Driving past the landmark heritage building along the main Farnborough Road, Farnborough, Hants, back in October 2012, the Tumbledown Dick pub was a very sorry sight indeed. A once thriving public house, hotel and live music venue, it had been closed by the brewery since 2008 and had been left to fall into semi-dereliction by the leaseholders, Spirit Pub Company, and no action to intervene had been taken by the freeholders, Bride Hall, a firm of London developers.



This building means a lot to the people of Farnborough. After all, it has been standing since before Farnborough was even built. Over the years, the building has been a coaching inn, used by the Army for passing out celebrations, by the gentry as a nice hotel, and by the Masons who formed masonic lodges in it. More recently it has been a well-known live music venue. The Jam played here 13 times in 1975 just before they were signed. Not only The Jam, but also the Buzzcocks, the Vapors and latterly bands such as A Hundred Reasons and Reuben.

It also hosted a very popular nightclub on Friday nights called Quarantine which was extremely popular and to this day local people talk about how much they miss the pub and venue for the live music and entertainment it once offered the town which has not been replaced. We were proud to have it in our town on the main road in the town centre. After it was closed, a lot of people lobbied local the council to find out about the plans for it. Leaseholders Spirit Group said they were going to spend £1million on a refurbishment. Well, that didn't materialise and the pub stayed empty and was eventually boarded up. It's a very sad sight especially on such a prime location.

So back to that day in October, I noticed that all the trees had been cut down, some of which were over 300 years old, and new perimeter security fencing had been erected. The site looked as if it was being prepared for demolition. I drove home immediately and started a Facebook page "Save the Tumbledown Dick Pub & Live Music Venue". Within a matter of weeks the page had been shared literally hundreds of times by local people and we had thousands of people involved who supported our campaign to Save the Tumbledown. We put people in teams to carry out heritage research and put together business plans. We formed a committee, called ourselves "Friends of the Tumbledown Dick" and set ourselves up as a Community Interest Company with aims to acquire the building and renovate it as a community-run pub. We hoped to use new legislation under the Localism Act to help us achieve this.

It was at this point we discovered the pub had been sold to McDonald's by Bride Hall. This was devastating news and after some research and Freedom of Information Requests with the local council, Rushmoor, we discovered that plans were afoot to demolish the building and replace it with a large 2 storey box for a huge "drive-thru". We were appalled, not least because Farnborough already has a large McDonald's drive-through a mile up the road and a considerable number of other fast food outlets, including several directly opposite the Tumbledown, family-run businesses that would undoubtedly go out of business if this scheme goes ahead.



We acted immediately and applied for the pub to become an Asset of Community Value (ACV) with Rushmoor Borough Council which has been granted, however this will not necessarily save the building. The sale to McDonald's is still in place and if their planning permission is granted we will lose this building forever. We lobbied parliament and our MP Sir Gerald Howarth met with McDonald's. They agreed to keep the façade of the building but the rest would be demolished and rebuilt to suit their scheme for a 2 storey drive-through but more in keeping with the existing building.

Sir Gerald is content with this as a result, however we are not. We want to keep our pub and we don't need or want a 2nd drive-through in a town centre location. We have already had a couple of large public demonstrations outside the pub and a further rally was organised on Sat 9th March

from The Tumbledown up to the McDonald's in Farnborough Gate. The Tumbledown is in the local paper nearly every week thanks to our campaigning and we have recently been the subject of a BBC documentary for 'Inside Out' due to the amazing community involvement. We are also lobbying Rushmoor council to add the building to their Local List of Buildings of Importance.

So at the time of writing, we are now awaiting the final plans to be submitted to Rushmoor Borough Council and we are hoping to lobby the council directly to listen to our business plan. If they reject the McDonald's planning application, we will get the opportunity to fundraise and bid on the building, for the benefit of the people of Farnborough. I don't think many people can say that another fast-food restaurant with drive-through will benefit anyone other than the profit of an international fast food chain and a firm of property developers. The people of Farnborough will be the losers. As daunting an opponent as McDonald's undoubtedly are, we will not stand by and watch them destroy this heritage and unique pub and music venue without a fight to the last. Nearly 4,000 Rushmoor residents agree!

Fran Beauchamp

Chair – Friends of the Tumbledown Dick

<http://friendsofthetumbledowndick.org.uk>

Malty

"So the world did not end on the 21st December, as predicted by the Mayan calendar", Malty gleefully stated to his superstitious friend Pi. Pi got his nickname because of his skill in mathematics.

"Malty, you are right this time but I can tell you precisely when our world will end." he replied to Malty. Malty looked back at Pi, knowing he would come up with another strange prediction. "1st of May 2092 at 2:31pm". "Okay, what dire prediction is this?" Malty asked. "It is when the very last pub will close in the UK according to current statistics. But the good news is that there also will be 13,240 breweries."

Malty was beginning to see a flaw in Pi's figures. "And those predications are based on the recent statistics?" Malty asked of Pi. "That's right, Malty", Pi replied. "There will also be 1,703,267 members of CAMRA", Pi concluded. "Are you sure your figures are correct?" Malty queried. "I have double-checked them using the statistics from the last couple of years" Pi confidently said.

"Have you looked at the statistics that show that the minimum price of alcohol will reduce deaths by 2000 people in ten years, that there will be 60,000 fewer hospital admissions and 20,000 fewer crimes over ten years?" Pi explained, "Malty, these figures are based on research and are best estimates". Malty thought for a moment, "But these figures are being treated as facts in the press, which clearly they are not". "Look Malty, everyone wants to reduce the bad effects of alcohol but is controlling the price the best way to do it?" "I also suspect that if the actual statistics to prove those estimated figures are wrong, and the price change did not reduce the effects of alcohol, then the authorities will not put the price of alcohol back down again."

On that point Malty said to Pi, "I know one statistical prediction that is going to come true". "What's that, Malty?" asked Pi. "You are 100% going to buy the next round of drinks!"

Ascot Ales scoops a hat-trick of awards



A slightly bemused Rob Thomas of Camberley-based Ascot Ales needs a lending hand from Kevin Travers to collect his trio of awards. "On The Rails" won a bronze medal in the mild category of the Champion Beer Of Britain (London & South East Area). "Anastasia's Exile Stout" also came third in the stout/porter category. "Anastasia's Imperial Russian Stout" was voted "beer of the festival" in the stout/porter category of the Woking Beer Festival 2012. Nazdaroye!

Microbreweries of Ireland

Part one of an epic tour of Ireland, all in the name of beer!

"We're going on holiday with Roger Protz!" was our proud response to anyone asking about our holiday plans last summer. Roger is of course editor of the Good Beer Guide and well respected beer luminary; we don't usually get to mix in such esteemed company.

We had booked an intensive microbrewery tour of Ireland, visiting 8 of the Republic's best microbreweries in 4 days and Roger was with us, researching his latest book, "300 More Beers to Try Before You Die."

Before the trip we had a couple of days in **Dublin** and armed with maps and lists of bars we headed off in search of good beer. The bars of Dublin are worthy of a separate article but any fears of a week being force fed Guinness and Murphy's, were quickly blown away. The craft beer scene in Ireland is undergoing a renaissance akin to the one that took place in the UK in the 1980s, with small breweries offering a range of high quality products being established at an incredible rate; there were 22 last summer and we heard of at least 4 more in the pipeline.

Dublin has embraced this development with at least half a dozen specialist beer bars opening in the past few years. They typically sell up to a dozen Irish craft beers, together with a good selection of imported beers. If microbrewing is in its infancy in Ireland then cask beer has only recently been conceived. The beers we sampled were predominantly filtered and pasteurised, although very recently hand-pumps have started to appear, with breweries making their beers

available in cask to order, so as to meet this new demand. So if you find yourself in Dublin looking for a decent pint I would recommend any of the following: L. Mulligan Grocer, W. J. Kavanagh, Against the Grain, Black Sheep, Brew Dock, Messrs. Maguires, Bull & Castle and any of the 4 Porterhouse bars.



The pearly gates

There was a prologue to the trip with a beer tasting, hosted by Roger, at **Porterhouse Central**. Porterhouse is Ireland's longest established microbrewery, starting off with a brew-pub in 1996. Brewing now takes place in the suburbs of Dublin and a wide range of beers is supplied to Porterhouse bars in Dublin, New York and London as well as a small chain of tapas restaurants. They are the only micro-brewed Irish beers regularly available in the UK. After an introductory talk by Roger, owner Oliver Hughes led us through the full range of his beers, apart from the lagers, or 'mortgage beers' as Oliver called them!

Microbreweries of Ireland

Unsurprisingly Porterhouse's focus is on darker beers with Plain Porter (4.3%), Oyster Stout (4.8%) and Wrassler's XXXX, (a 5% bittersweet, strong stout) all being produced regularly. However the most interesting beer I discovered was An Brain Blasta, a 7% strong ale, triple hopped and given a long fermentation time.

Well and truly warmed up from our Porterhouse experience, we set off the next morning, our first stop being **Carlow Brewing Company**, widely known as O'Hara's, after owner Seamus O'Hara, and a large, well established microbrewery. O'Hara's is something of a veteran on the Irish microbrewing scene. Established in 1996, they produce 5 regular beers, with a couple of stouts, a red ale, and most unusually for Ireland an authentic, lemony wheat beer, Curim Gold at 4.7%, and rated by beer writer Michael Jackson as one of the best 10 wheat beers in the world. The brewery tour was much like one in the UK, with the key difference being the inclusion of filtering and pasteurisation within the production process.

After a visit to the tasting room and a quick stop for lunch it was off to Metalman in Waterford, one of the newest of Ireland's microbreweries and run by Gráinne Walsh, the only brewster in the country. Metalman's focus is very much on something a bit different and so it was we found ourselves tasting a recently brewed, ginger beer directly from the fermenting tanks. Although obviously very green, the makings of a fine beer were clear to see. We also sampled some finished products, where my personal highlight was Moonbeam, a superb, full-bodied flavoursome stout.

The pace didn't let off as we finished our first day at **Dungarvan**, one of Ireland's few real ale only breweries and a visit that felt much like a brewery visit at home. Cormac O'Dwer is an unassuming character who says that he believes that it takes quality ingredients, time, care and attention to detail to create perfect brews. With an Irish brogue and a real passion for beer, he gave us a very laid



A drop of the gold stuff

back tour of his brewery. It was his bottling line that attracted the most attention. State of the art it wasn't, with two bottles manually filled, before labels were stuck on by hand. Then we retired to the sampling room where the bottle conditioned,

Helvic Gold (golden ale), Copper Coast (red ale) and Black Rock (stout) were all tasted. The sampling of Dungarvan beers carried on into the night though as several of the bars in the town had a cask of real ale available, allowing us to try the seasonal Comeragh Challenger, a light 3.5% bitter. The beers are easier to spot than many as the brewery supplies a very large board proclaiming 'Dungarvan real ale available here' to his local outlets; simple advertising at its best!

Part 2 in the next issue

Kevin Travers

Doing Some 'Proper' Campaigning

Manning the barricades – well, not quite

A criticism sometimes levelled at me is that CAMRA has just become a beer drinking club since our work is done, with real ale safe and widely available. However, as I hope the articles in News & Ale demonstrate, there is still much to campaign for, no more so than our current lobbying against the beer duty escalator.

So it was on a damp Wednesday morning in December, I found myself in the company of about a dozen other branch members and over 1000 nationally, all heading to London, to take part in a mass lobby of parliament. For the first time ever, I was also going to meet my local MP, Gerald Howarth, to ask him to commit to support our campaign concerning the beer duty escalator and to ask him pledge to take a number of actions.



The beer duty escalator and its impact on local licensees trying to make a living has been covered in this newsletter several times before, but briefly the escalator has been in place since 2008 and it increases tax on beer by 2% above



inflation automatically each year. However, despite an increase of 5% at the last budget, duty actually paid to the Government rose by just 0.3%. This is principally because the increased cost of beer means people are going to the pub less often. Oxford Economics have forecast that scrapping the escalator would actually save money as the loss in revenue would more than be offset by increased sales.

We had either arranged meetings or attempted to lobby 5 of our 6 local MPs. However, owing to other commitments, changes in their schedule, general unavailability etc. none of James Arbuthnot, Michael Gove, Jeremy Hunt and Anne Milton agreed to a meeting and it was only those of us in the Aldershot constituency who got to speak to and engage with their local MP, Gerald Howarth.

It was somewhat daunting having to put an argument forward to your local MP, but we were well prepared and it was made easier by Sir Gerald listening to us and, pleasingly understanding and agreeing with our arguments against the escalator. In particular he showed a great concern about the impact this policy is having on local pubs and economy. The list of pubs closed in Aldershot continues to grow with the recent closure of the Heron, Albion, Wheatsheaf and Railway Tavern as publicans are no longer able to make a living, which in turn impacts on local jobs.

At the meeting Sir Gerald agreed to:

- Speak up in Parliament and call on Government to scrap the beer duty escalator
- write or speak to Treasury Ministers outlining the damaging effect of this policy and call for an end to the beer duty escalator
- publicise his support for this campaign in the local media

Afterwards, when asked about his support for the campaign by the Aldershot News, he said, "I have considerable sympathy for the campaign. CAMRA has done a brilliant job in standing up for real ale. The pub is intrinsic to the rural and city scene but we are all aware of the alarming rate of pub closures – clearly pubs which are closed pay no tax at all." I'm sure we would all drink to that!



Following the meeting we all returned to a major rally CAMRA had organised, where a number MPs and CAMRA campaigners spoke passionately about the escalator. What I was particularly struck with was the cross-party support for its abolition and

the genuine sense of opportunity that is currently available to really influence the Treasury on this issue. So if you have not done so it is still not too late to support the campaign and contact your MP, asking them to speak up against this illogical tax.



Buoyed with this campaigning fervour, there was only one final thing to do when the rally had ended and that was to retire to a few nearby pubs and do a bit of socialising; with my mates from the beer drinking club!!

Kevin Travers

Brewery News

Ascot Ales, Camberley

Our branch AGM mystery tour in February took us to Ascot Ales Brewery. Rob welcomed us in and immediately invited us to sample a beer from the range on offer of Aureole, Anastasia's Exile Stout (flavoured with vanilla & raspberry) and their brand new Rhino. This is a 5% rye beer; it's a hoppy pale ale brewed with 25% rye and that gives it a slight spiciness with a good clean bitterness. We all enjoyed it on the day, so look out for it in a pub near you now!

Val Helliwell

Farnham, Upper Hale

Farnham Brewery continues in full mash production however volumes have reduced slightly and the beers are now only available at the Ball & Wicket pub with which it shares premises and ownership. William Cobbett best bitter is brewed all year round. The light session bitter Bishop Sumner is available from Spring to Autumn while the Mike Hawthorne strong bitter is available from Autumn to Spring. There are occasional seasonal specials, notably a Christmas ale flavoured with spiced fruit mixture and a strong summer ale flavoured with honey, appropriately called Stinger.

John Karban

Hogs Back, Tongham

The brewery has won another award, "A over T" winning a gold medal at the National Winter Ales festival in the barley wine category. It is hoped to be re-introduced as a bottle-conditioned beer in the near future, and is also occasionally available in bright form from the brewery shop on site.

Planning permission has been granted for the expansion of the brewery, with new fermenters and conditioning vessels. This will mean the

replacement of the whole roof, but will double the brewery capacity.

A new seasonal beer has been launched, a dark winter stout, named Snout, at 3.8%. It has been very well received, and can also be found in bottles, at Waitrose and Majestic Wines. England's Glory is now on sale and there will be a spring ale at the end of April, followed by summer and autumn beers.

Something really new is that the brewery is working on a cloudy cider at present, although it may be some months yet before it is ready for release. Hopefully more news on this in the next issue.

The brewery's re-branding has been a great success, and sales have increased by double digit figures, and are accelerating further, following its introduction. New head brewer Miles Cheserman has settled in well, following his move from Coors, and the brewery can now be found on both Facebook and Twitter

Peter Hayward

Little Beer Corporation, Guildford

Jim is continuing to brew his beers. This year he is starting a little project with a local music establishment, the Boileroom. The first event took place on 9th March. The plan is to create beers in connection with bands that are playing there. The first beer will be called "Little Boileroom". It's brewed together with the staff at the Boileroom, using Amarillo & Cascade hops. These "gigs" will be called "Brew-day Gigs".

Michael Bell

Tillingbourne, Shere

A new beer has come out recently. Named "Evolution No 2", it is a mega hoppy IPA at 4.8%. The Evolution Series is for new beers to be tried out and then developed into what should be a permanent beer in the portfolio. The first batch takes quite a while to drop bright (around three days) but is worth it.

Roy Golding

Adventure, Chessington

The brewery has moved to bigger premises in Sutton, Surrey. The office address is still in Chessington. A larger 2.5 barrel brew plant has been delivered and trial brews have been run. The ales should now be available in cask form and in more pubs. The beers are still available in bottle conditioned form at a number of local outlets and directly from their website.

Nick Payne

Thurston's Brewery, Horsell

This new brewery has now produced their third brew, a milk stout, which was available at the Crown in Horsell mid-February.

Nick Banyard

Triple fff, Four Marks

The 4.2% Moondance is now available in selected Ember Inns, Nicholson's, and Vintage Inns outlets. Winter Bourbon Stout (4.4%) won the "Slpahead Shield" at the recent Alton Beer festival. The seasonal special Rock Lobster at 5% is now available in bottles from both online and onsite shops.

Triple fff Facebook page

Pub Clips

Reports from local pubs in the Surrey Hants borders area are always appreciated and welcomed, always talk to the publican when compiling a report.
If your pub does not feature, send one in yourself!

ASH VALE

Napiers – Regular beers in this Punch-owned pub are Fullers London Pride and Wells Bombardier, supplemented by a rotating guest. Landlord Bruce has gained Cask Marque accreditation. Pub food is available lunchtimes and evenings (not Mondays) and there is also a Thai kitchen operating here offering take-away. Events include quiz night on Mondays, bingo on Sunday afternoon, live entertainment once a month, also a monthly draw, 5 darts teams and 3 pool teams. Sky sports is also available for popular sports events (it is NOT on all the time!). A small amount of info can be found on their website www.napiers-ashvale.com

KD & DH

BAGSHOT

Forester's Arms – This traditional pub was in danger of being developed into a gastro-pub, but that fell through, and Adrian and Quentin took on a long-term lease. They've built up a good trade, keeping 5 cask ales, and open all day. The skittle alley (narrowly averting conversion into a restaurant!) remains well used, and there is also a darts board. Regular beers are Brakspear Bitter, Courage Best, and London Pride, with 2 Guests, all priced at £3.20/pt, with a special offer of **£2/pt** on 2 of the beers all day on Mondays and Thursdays! I took advantage of this on a Monday lunchtime and enjoyed a £2 pint of Skinners Ginger Tossler (now then, now then)

Doug Fish

Grumpy Old Man

Further days NOT to visit the pub part 2 – the schools' half term week.

Increasingly the half term is associated with kids on the move creating overcrowding on public transport and the 'invasion' of the pubs. There is also a trend for the grand parents to be the custodians for the day which are often the ingredients for the totally unable attempting to get a grip on the utterly uncontrollable! Last year, the half term in October/November corresponded with the Wetherspoon Beer Festival and I was to find out just how dreadful things could really get.

I decided to catch a train to the West Country which was my first mistake. Let me give you a tip here. It is always best to catch a Plymouth Train rather than a Penzance one which is always liable to be more crowded. By the time I had crawled over a sea of industrial wheelie bins (aka suitcases on wheels) it was obvious that the train was 'bursting at the seams' and mainly with noisy kids with a natural propensity to run up and down the corridors. Eventually I obtained a seat opposite a rather 'posh' little girl called Annabelle. You have to remember that Cornwall has a high rate of second home ownership and this family were clearly 'well heeled'.

"Annabelle, please don't jump on the seat." And, "Oh, please get off the seat, Annabelle." Also, "Oh Annabelle, please do as you are told".

Annabelle had no intention of listening to her grandmother and carried on regardless. More corrective measures were clearly required and I got very close to be the person who was to apply them! Any moment I expected her to ride her pony

down the train, merely to be told to be a little quieter. I had had enough of this and 'jumped ship' (apologies for the mixed metaphor) and headed towards the nearest Wetherspoon pub with the 'grump' factor already in the ascendancy.

On approaching the pub it was obvious that I had to endure a dash through the smokers who somehow always manage to look a little seedy and appear as older versions of schoolboys skulking behind the bicycle shed. Once inside there was a considerable number of push chairs with children heavily in residence and there was also a very dominant smell of chips and the sight of piled up plates with the detritus of previous meals. At the bar an elderly gentleman with a small boy about 10 years of age (should he be at the bar at all?) was waiting to be served.

"Grandad, can I have a milk shake?"

Foolishly, this order was repeated over the bar.

"We don't sell milk shakes, Sir."

What a surprise, and when was the last time that this 'old duffer' was in a pub?

"Grandad, can I have a choc ice?"

This was also repeated over the bar, producing the same, and obvious, response from the bar person. I felt like shouting out, *"No! It's a PUB and not an ice cream parlour!"* Grandmother now joined in with something about onion rings and extra cheesy chips. Now, all I wanted was a pint, but it was not to materialise in the near future. They all wanted weird combinations of soft drinks, food with lots of

chips without knowing their table number, and were paying by credit card. Save me from all of this chaos. Eventually it was my turn and I ordered a pint of Okell's Steam Beer which subsequently proved to be excellent. However, before the order could be executed grandmother returns, and interrupts, enquiring about the location of the tomato sauce. Given the interruption, the barman now forgets my order which needs to be repeated.

The 'grump factor' is now rising even more rapidly and I retire to a quiet area in the expectation of calming down. On the way, I notice a child crawling across the floor which was not only stupidly dangerous but remarkably unhygienic. Although, I had spotted the child, and was therefore not about to trip over the menace on the floor, the ingredients for an accident were obvious. At least the parent was in attendance, but I would not have the gall to allow a child of mine in an adult environment to be in danger or to inflict potential danger on others. Did that parent really think that that was the correct thing to do or were they not actually capable of thinking at all? The word 'moronic' comes to mind

I now find a seat, get out my newspaper, and start to settle down, but not for long.

"Glugaluglug."

I look up to see a small child with a dummy in its mouth standing at the end of the table without any apparent supervision.

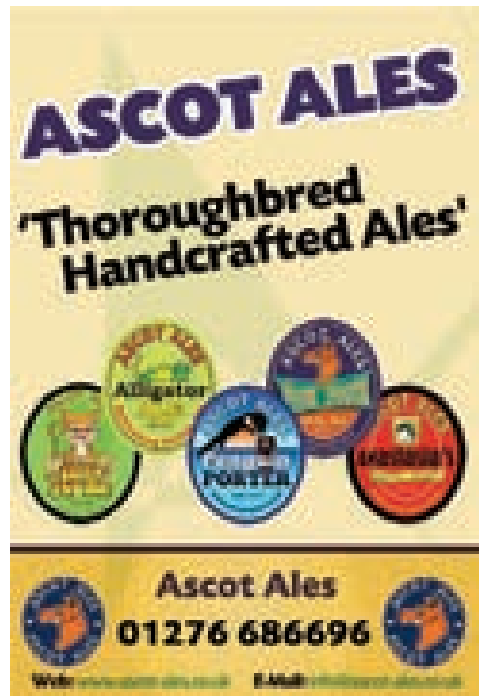
"Globagibishk."

At least the conversation was not offensive as that of the xenophobes and the whipping-and-thrashing brigade often is.

Things now take a turn for the worse as the child lurches towards the table and I grab my pint for its safety. Suddenly, an elderly woman (another grandmother) rushes over and apologises, but the reason for her absence was readily apparent.

She reeked of cigarette smoke and her breath was worse than my cat after he has eaten a tin of sardines. I am now in favour of having a compulsory decontamination unit attached to pubs where, at the very least, they must stop until the 'stench factor' makes them fit to return to civilised society. I recommend a large illuminated sign with an automated voice telling us all that the contaminated person has now passed the breathalyser! The 'grump factor' had now gone off the scale and I was starting to 'lose my marbles'!

*The Grumpy Old Man
Aka Bob Southwell*



SHB Social Diary

Visit the webpage: www.camrasurrey.org.uk/surrey-hants-borders/sh-diary

March 2013

- Thurs 14th** **South Farnborough:** 7:30pm Old Ford, Lynchford Rd. 8:15pm Squirrel, Park Rd (for the quiz, £1 entry per person). 10:15 North Camp, Lynchford Rd (but only if we don't stay for the pub quiz)
- Thurs 21st** **Beer & Music in Ascot at Jagz** They serve Ascot Ales and Colvin Quarmby are playing. Lifts etc to be arranged via Yahoo group.
- Sat 23rd** **William's London Crawl** – Devoted to the joys of South East London. Meet 11am in the Hole in the Wall, Waterloo.
- Sat 30th** **Mytchett Beer Festival** 5pm at Mytchett Community Centre

April 2013

- Mon 8th** **8pm Sausage Platter Night at the Crown, Knaphill** £9.95 for 5 or 6 sausages 'n chutney inc a pint of beer. Beer is then at £2.75 a pint for diners for the night. Book your table with Ian if you plan to attend.
- Wed 17th** **Tongham:** 8.30pm Cricketers 9.30pm White Hart
- 19th – 21st** **CAMRA National AGM and Members weekend in Norwich**
- Tues 23rd** **8.30pm Celebrate St Georges Day** at the Prince of Wales, Farnborough including branch pub of the year presentation approx. 9.30pm
- Thurs 25th-Sat 27th** Farnham Beer Festival - helpers always required - contact Ian
- Tue 30th** Branch Committee meeting, time & venue tbc, look out for details on the branch Yahoo group

May 2013

- SHB Weekend Away in Kent** Saturday-Monday. Many staying at the Ramada, Chatham
- Sat 4th** Rough Old Wife, Cidery Visit. Contact Kevin if you want to go.
- Sun 5th** Rochester Sweeps Fair shb@camrasurrey.org.uk
- Fri 10th** **6pm -8pm Camberley Football Club Supporters Club** Have a few drinks here and meet the guys before moving on. Further locations tbc.
- Tues 14th** **Godalming:** 8pm Jack Phillips 9.30pm The Star including branch cider pub of the year presentation.

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Use our yahoo group: http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/shb_camra/

- Fri 17th-Sat 18th** **14th Kingston Beer Festival** – sign up to work here on the web site or come along and drink – we will all be there at some point I'm sure!
- Thurs 23rd
Sat 25th** **Frimley Green:** 8pm Miners Arms 9pm Rose & Thistle 10pm Wheatsheaf
Rowbargh Beer Festival, Guildford. Meet at 10.30am in the **Rodboro Buildings** for breakfast, before walking along the river Wey to the pub
- Fri 31st** **Guildford Cricket Club Beer Festival – Working Social 5.30pm – 10pm.** Come and work at this relaxed event in sunny Guildford! Contact Ian to add your name to the staffing list.

June 2013

- Mon 3rd
Wed 12th
Mon 17th
Thurs 20th** **Farncombe:** 8pm Cricketers 9pm Freeholders 10pm Three Lions
Guildford: 8pm Robin Hood 9pm Royal Oak 10pm Boatman
Woking: 8pm Cricketers 9pm HG Wells 10pm Sovereigns
Midsummer Walk through Farnham Park Meet in the Nelson, depart by 6pm to walk through the park to Ball & Wicket then Alfred's, Upper Hale, walk back through the park into Farnham. (or get a bus!)
- Tues 25th
Sat 29th** **Weybourne:** 8pm Running Stream 9pm Elm Tree 10pm Six Bells
Les Leads Us Around London – a wander around Greenwich, which may include a Meantime Brewery visit. Keep an eye on our web site.

July 2013

- Thurs 4th** **London workers' pub crawl:** 5pm meet at Old Fountain, Baldwin St, EC1V 9NU (Old St tube), then several (or more!) pubs in Islington
- Tue 9th
Fri 12th** **Ash Vale:** 8pm Swan 9.30 Napiers
7pm Working Social at Camberley Football Club Beer Festival. Contact Ian to volunteer to work here or simply turn up to drink.
- Sat 13th** **Isle of Wight Coach Tour No.5** 08.45 train from Woking. Fully booked but contact shbtransport@heathwey.com to go on waiting list.
- Sat 20th** **Bristol RE Pubs Running Day in Alton** – we will be there!

or text him 07828 575 360 to book a place on a trip or volunteer to help

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BYFLEET

Plough – This ambitious pub now offers 8 ales with a strong showing from Wells & Young's brands but also beers from further afield such as Black Sheep and Harvey's, as well as the ubiquitous Doom Bar. The beer list will vary and the new landlord has stated he also wants to offer beers from local micros alongside an otherwise "safe" selection.

David Houston

CAMBERLEY

RSVP (ex Cambridge) – Landlord Peter has been here for 2 ½ years now, and has done much to improve the choice and quality of real ale, having persuaded his bosses at Stonegate Pubs to allow him to serve Ascot beers, brewed within a mile of the pub - how 'LocAle' can you get? Normally 2 ales on offer, of which at least 1 is an Ascot ale, and often both – furthermore, real ales here have been a bargain £1.99/pt for a year or so now! The meals here are also good value, and it's a popular lunchtime place for office staff in the area. Has 2 pool tables, and Sports T's. Karaoke night on Thursdays, and occasional live bands.

DF

Royal Standard – This Greene King pub had a refurb last December, including the kitchen, and renewed beer lines. New landlady Samantha seems much more accommodating to real ale drinkers than some GK outlets. Old Golden Hen has proved very popular here, and seasonal beers such as GK Ridley's Fireside and H&H's Rocking Rudolph have also gone down well. Jan continues to work behind the bar, and organises numerous fund-raising activities during the year for local charities and hospitals - very much a community pub. The pub gets very busy during lunchtimes, when many office workers come here for good-value food and

drink. Has a pool table and Sports TVs. Quiz/curry nights on Thursdays, and live music on Fridays.

DF

DOCKENFIELD

Bluebell - The pub re-opened mid-January with two ales, Hogs Back TEA and Triple fff Moondance. Landlord Robin Catchpole says he hopes to offer a guest beer at weekends and is open to suggestions, given enough notice.

KT

EVERSLEY

Chequers – New landlord since November, serving Fullers London Pride and Sharps Doombar

Ian Nunn

Golden Pot – Recent ales on have included Dorset Piddle, Bowman Wallop Wood, and Langham Best.

IN

FARNBOROUGH

North Camp – The Cask Marque accredited North Camp is part of the Orchid Pubs & Dining group. Landlady Carol has been in charge for over a year and has overseen a mild facelift with a fresh lick of paint and tasteful new decorations featuring local institutions such as the military and the air show. The pub has a strong sports theme but aims to be at the heart of the wider local community with an emphasis on value for money. This is affirmed by the pricing of both drinks and food, with the latter being exceptionally good value. Only one cask ale is on offer at present but that is the rarely-seen-around-these-parts Old Speckled Hen, in excellent condition, whether served "North" or "South", a good choice for a sole ale. CAMRA members receive a 20p discount on production of their membership card, making the OSH particularly good value. Carol said

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that she'd like to put on a second ale as a rotating guest, subject to demand (and restricted Greene King list).
John Karban

Squirrel – A Stonegate Pubs "Classic Inn", the Squirrel has been recently refurbished with a tasteful colour scheme and new flooring and furniture; all but one TV has been removed. The garish pub quiz sign has been replaced by one proclaiming real ales and five are usually available. Regulars London Pride, Sharps Doom Bar, and Greene King IPA (the ordinary 3.6% variety) are supplemented by two rotating guests, one of which is from Hogs Back. Prices have edged up slightly, especially food, but most ales are still under £3/pt. Quiz night on Thursdays.
JK

FARNHAM

Six Bells – Closed mid-February for major remedial work by owners Greene King. Lease up for grabs with £40k price tag and annual rent of £43k. Any takers?

Wheatsheaf – Novice landlord recently taken over, already struggling. Only one real ale on, quality so-so.
Chris Hunter

FLEET

Falkners Arms – Landlord Dave is in 7th year of 10-year lease with M&B in this modern estate, community-oriented pub. Keen on real ale, he has 4 beers on and is Cask Marque accredited. Regulars are London Pride, Doom Bar, and Timothy Taylor Landlord, plus a rotating guest from Andwell, Ruddy Darter on date of visit and in good condition. Good value lunches with light snacks evenings. Live music Saturdays, not too many Sky Sports screens.
JK

Links – due to re-open mid-March following refurb as "Station Pizza Kitchen Bar". Despite unpromising name they will have one real ale available, more than can be said for it up to now.
Phil Clark

FRIMLEY

Railway Arms – Unusually for nowadays, this small pub maintains two completely separate bars with no interconnecting door. To go from the lounge bar to the village bar (or vice versa) you have to go via the pavement! Bruce (who also runs the Napiers in Ash Vale) took over the lease here over three years ago, and has settled on two permanent cask ales popular with the regulars – the ubiquitous Doom Bar, and Young's Special (which I find very dependable). Another excellent community pub, the Railway Arms is renowned for raising funds for charities, recent ones being Make-a-Wish, Help for Heroes, and Air Ambulance - most of this is done by activities such as "dartathons" (with one ladies' and two men's teams there's no shortage of players!) and bike rides. Also has a Golf Society, monthly Karaoke nights, and Sports TVs.
DF

FROGMORE (Blackwater)

Bell – This is a Scottish & Newcastle leased pub - the current landlady, Claire has only been here since November, but keeps the beers well. The regular cask ale is Courage Best, with at least one guest on, and certainly two at weekends. Recent guest beers have been from Fullers, Wychwood, and Thwaites breweries. In mid-January I'd just missed Wychwood's Bah Humbug, and the other guest was London Pride, but I decided on the Courage Best, which was on good form. There is a pool table, darts, and Sports TV. There's entertainment on Friday evenings, which can be Karaoke, disco, or occasional live music.
DF

GUILDFORD

Rowbarge – one of the branch's favourite pubs, it closed briefly early February, apparently due to a dispute with HMRC over tax. Seemingly resolved, the pub re-opened soon after with long standing landlord Mark East still at the helm, ably assisted by Chrissy. There are three regulars from Ascot (Compass Point, Posh Pooch, and On The Rails) and one from Andwell, plus a rotating guest. Prices have crept up a little but still good value for Guildford so well worth the trip. *Peter Sweeney*

HARTLEY WINTNEY

Waggon & Horses - Niall and Linda have been at this traditional village pub for 33 years now - surely something of a record these days! Apparently it was originally an ale-house called 'The Bull' until about 1850, when a 'carter' took it over, and renamed it after his trade. There are two separate bars, the left one (from the road) being a 'Village' bar, and the right a cosy 'Lounge' bar, both with log fires during the winter months. Apparently, the fire in the village bar was somewhat over-supplied a couple of years ago, and set the chimney on fire! The regular beers here are Courage Best and Fullers Gales HSB, the latter still served straight from the cask, as it was when Gales brewed it. Westons traditional cider is also available. Has a dart-board, and a secluded back patio for a peaceful drink in good weather, though some prefer to sit in front of the pub, watching the world go by. Good pub food at lunchtimes. The Waggon has featured in the Good Beer Guide for many a year, and in 2012 won North Hampshire branch's Pub Of The Year award. *DF*

MYTCHETT

Community Centre – CAMRA members welcome on production of current membership card. Bar is open from 6pm weekdays, from 12 noon weekends. Two ever changing ales are usually available, often from local breweries; most recently Hogs Back and Ascot. This year's beer festival is Easter Saturday and Sunday, 30th & 31st March. *KD*

SEND

New Inn – beer quality here remains high. A second guest beer has been introduced, from the Punch range, complementing the other guest beer

which is mainly from local breweries. A former storage area has been turned into a rather nice 24-seat dining area and new toilets have also been built. These changes have helped to increase trade at an already popular pub. Recent guest beers have included local beers from Andwell, Weltons, & WJ King. There have been Otter and Butcombe from the Punch list, also Tetley's Mild which sold very well. *Mick Pullen*

WOKING

Station – Very close to its namesake, this pub has recently re-introduced real ale. No surprise to see Sharps Doom Bar; the Brains SA Gold was presumed to be a guest. No need to shiver on the station platforms, there is a feed from the departure boards displayed on a screen above the bar. *DF*

“MiniClips”

Abinger Hammer – Abinger Arms is closed.

Bisley – Fox closed & boarded up, planning permission sought to build care home in its place.

Chobham – Sun and **Castle Grove** have new landlords. **Four Horseshoes** is undergoing refurbishment, due to reopen early April as a gastro pub.

Farnborough – Thatched Cottage closed for refurb, due to re-open mid-March.

Guildford – Ship in Worplesdon Rd closed, planning permission sought to convert it to residential premises.

Knaphill – Anchor has new landlord, **Fox** permanently closed, rumoured to become (yet another) Tesco Express. Hilltop Leisure-owned **Robin Hood** has new licensees, Jo & Phil Andrews, the fourth since a £200k refit in November 2011.

Old Woking – White Hart is closed.

Yateley – Dog & Partridge has yet another new landlord, now sells Doom Bar and a “house” beer called Dog & Partridge (brewery unknown).

The History Of Brewing In

Fortunately News & Ale is always so full of topical interest there isn't a great deal of space to devote to the history of brewing in Woking – because for a town of its size it has remarkably little! This can probably be explained by the fact that in the heyday of the industry the town as we know it didn't exist, so we are left looking at a number of local villages. By the time that the town was established the relentless drive to fewer, larger, enterprises was well underway and the area had been served by such firms as Friary, Holroyd & Healy, and Lascelles, Tickner of Guildford, Simonds of Reading (who had a local outlet) and Hodgson of Kingston, amongst others.

Going back in time we have three breweries of note operating in the area now covered by the borough – The West Surrey Brewery in what is now Old Woking, Stedman's in Horsell and Holroyd's in Byfleet. These were all lost about a century ago, but in the micro revolution of the past 20 years we have suddenly done rather well with three in the town centre and two of these actually being next door to one another. It must have seemed like Burton for that brief spell!

Looking at the early local breweries in turn.

West Surrey Brewery, *Town Street, Woking (now known as High Street, Old Woking).*

The former brewmaster's house for this business, dated by Crosby to 1715, still stands beside the roundabout on the road to Send. The brewery buildings themselves were behind this and have now been replaced by housing.

Looking at early deeds, Thomas Newman of Woking, common brewer, bought the White Horse, opposite the brewery in Old Woking, in 1838. It is not known whether he owned the

brewery at this time, but it would seem a reasonable assumption as in 1847 he sold the brewery for £2900 to a George Robinson. It remained in this family until Francis Robinson died in 1855 after which his trustees included Samuel Strong.



Woking, Old Woking Village 1898. Ref: 42247

In 1860 Richard Isaac Strong bought it for £8000 and it remained in this family until sold to HW Charrington, in partnership with CT Tyler, in 1873 when it traded as Charrington & Co. West Surrey Brewery. In 1876 there was a court action between these two and the partnership was dissolved with the brewery being sold to Joseph Oldfield in 1877.

Oldfield owned the business until 1887 when he sold it to Lascelles, Tickner & Co. Ltd. in 1889, along with 15 tied houses. Although these were mainly fairly local, they did include such far away pubs as the Ship in Weybridge and the Dog and Pheasant at Brook, which makes the delivery process interesting. As Lascelles, Tickner were themselves taken over by Friary in 1926 it is easy to see the roots of Friary Meux', later Allied, strong local presence, particularly having already absorbed the Byfleet Brewery.

Woking

An earlier set of deeds may well relate to this same business. These cover the 'brewhouse called the Falcon' in the ownership of various members of the Harvest family from 1694 to 1744, and beyond.

John Stedman, Brewery Road, Horsell

John Stedman was a maltster and brewer who ran his business from c1867 to his death in June 1906 at the age of 78. He left over £18,000 in his will so it was a considerable business and a photograph shows a reasonably large building, with two stables alongside. Brewing had certainly ceased by 1910, when the premises were being used by Tyler & Co. as a store. Directories of the period also list James Stedman from 1855 to 1867 and a John jnr. around 1890.



Old map clearly marking the brewery

There is also some evidence of the business from long before this time though, in that it is known that there was a 5 gallon stone jar inscribed 'John Stedman, Horsell, 1714' around, and there was a newspaper report of another 2 gallon jar inscribed 'Stedman Brewer 1666 Horsell'. Whilst the assumption is that these are founding dates, that may not be so.

Stedman's advertisements claimed that he 'only used hops and barley grown by himself and produced beer of the highest quality' - in the 1859 hop return Horsell is listed as having 2.5 acres under cultivation.

The Byfleet Brewery

This brewery, which was in the centre of the village at the junction of the High Road and the Willows, again still has the brewmaster's house standing and has had the other buildings replaced by housing, as at Old Woking.

Henry Dennett started the business in 1845, following in the footsteps of his father, another Henry, who was a local farmer and reputedly pushed a handcart with a barrel of his beer around the village. It became Dennett and Holroyd in 1867 and thrived under George Barron Holroyd until its sale to Friary in 1889, along with 16 public houses. Healy of Chertsey then came into the fold to make Friary, Holroyd and Healy, which merged with Meux in the 1950s and eventually ended up within the Allied empire. The Byfleet brewery closed in 1909.

Rebirth of the industry

More recently brewing was restarted in Woking when the micro revolution arrived in 1996.

H G Wells Planets Brewery / Brooklands Brewery, Crown Square, Woking

This micro-brewery was established in 1996 within a leisure complex (now The Big Apple) and had a full mash, ten barrel, plant which was commissioned and installed by Practical Brewing, providing a 40 barrel weekly capacity. A range of real ales were produced, alongside a continental style lager, by head brewer Rob Dupre who had previous experience at Pilgrim and Hog's Back. The beers were sold on the site and to the free trade under the Brooklands Brewery name.

The History Of Brewing In Woking

Brewing ceased in 1999 and Rob left to work at Itchen Valley. The plant was put up for sale for £30,000 and was purchased to create the Oakleaf Brewery in Gosport.



Beers produced included:

Hyper Lager 4.2% ABV, Hurricane (also Bobbys Bitter) 4.2%, Stealth Bomber (aka Stealth Stout) 5%, H G's 5%, Buccaneer 5.2%, Bodywarmer 6.5%

The Boston Experience, 1-3 Church Path, Woking

This American style Brewpub was owned and run by Gary Wallace of The Hale and Hearty Brewery in Upper Hale near Farnham, and opened on 21st May 1999.

The five-barrel plant was highly visible from the bar, and the malt extract beers were sold at the Brewpub. The beers were chilled and then filtered into cellar tanks and included:- Babe Ruth 3.8% ABV, Bunker Hill 4.5%, Boston Strangler 5.3%

Fahrenheit & Firkin, Chobham Road, Woking

The former Red House pub (now O'Neill's) was added to the Firkin chain in 1996 as a brewpub named the Fahrenheit & Firkin. Brewing ceased in

1998 with beers then being supplied from the Flag & Firkin in Watford for a while.



Collectables

There are very few collectables relating to the area that have turned up. Stedman are known to have had jars, as mentioned above, but the only other items are a few labels issued by H&G Simonds of Reading (later subsumed into Courage), which are overprinted with Woking. These would have come from their store at 88 Chertsey Road. I would love to hear if anyone knows of anything else.

Jeff Sechiari
Brewery History Society

News From Other Branches In The Surrey Area

North Surrey Branch

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Diary

March

- 16th (Sat)** 11:30am Surrey & Sussex liaison meeting at the John Harvey Tavern, Bear Yard, Cliffe High St, Lewes, BN7 2AN
- 20th (Wed)** Meeting postponed to 10th April (see below)
- 28th – 31st** 14th Egham Beer Festival, United Services Club, Egham, TW20 9PE. Open daily from 10am (Sunday from 12noon). Volunteers still required, email "Spike" Milligan at northsurrey@camrasurrey.org.uk

April

- 5th (Fri)** 8.00pm branch Pub Of The Year presentation at the Happy Man, Harvest Rd, Englefield Green, TW20 0QS.
- 10th (Wed)** 7.30pm re-arranged branch social at the George, Staines, TW18 4EE to coincide with Wetherspoon's beer festival.
- 27th (Sat)** Coach trip to Windsor & Eton brewery, 1 Vansittart Estate, Duke St, Windsor. Presentation of the Beer Of The Festival award for "Guardsman", voted by visitors to the 1st Runnymede Beer Festival. Followed by tour of Berkshire pubs. Contact Bob for details.
- 29th (Mon)** 8.15pm Branch business meeting, Wheatsheaf & Pigeon, Penton Ave, Staines, TW18 2LL (back room)

May

- 4th (Sat)** Social at The Beehive, Englefield Green, TW20 0JQ (beer fest) from 1pm onwards
- 17th – 18th** 14th Kingston Beer Festival. Kingston Workmen's Club & Institute, Old London Road, KT2 6ND (behind the "falling down" telephone boxes). Open 11am to 11pm (until 9pm on Saturday).

June

- 10th (Mon)** 8.15pm Branch business meeting The Crown, 38 High St, Egham, TW20 9DP.

Contact: Clive Jennings (01737) 778711

Diary

March

25th (Mon) 8.30pm Branch meeting at the King & Queen, Caterham, CR3 5UA

April

25th (Thu) 8.30pm Branch meeting at the Garland, Redhill, RH1 6PP

May

13th (Mon) 8.30pm Branch meeting at the Oxted Inn, Oxted, RH8 9HR

20th (Mon) 8.00pm Branch social and Cider Pub Of The Year Presentation at the Royal Oak, Staffhurst Wood, RH8 0RR

June

3rd (Mon) 8.30pm Branch meeting at the Garland, Redhill RH1 6PP

17th (Mon) 8.00pm Branch social and Club Of The Year Presentation at the Kingswood Village Club, Lower Kingswood, KT20 6SZ (CAMRA membership card required)

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Burstow

Old House Inn – With so many pub closures nationally it is a pleasure to announce a new pub opening. This 16th century building was recently a restaurant but following closure has re-opened as a smart free house with good food and accommodation. Two real ales are sold, usually from Westerham and Dark Star.

Caterham

King & Queen – Now in its 19th consecutive year in the Good Beer Guide, this Fullers pub is well known for the quality of its ale. A recent beer festival featured a number of beers from both Fullers and guest breweries.

Dorking

Cobbetts Real Ales – This off-licence in West Street sold over 150 different cask real ales last year including some stunning hop monsters from the likes of Arbor and Magic Rock along with local favourites from Dorking, Dark Star and Surrey Hills. An excellent selection of bottled beers from Europe and beyond is also sold. Show your Camra membership card for a discount.

Red Bar & Lounge – This bar, in a side street off the High Street, added a fourth handpump in December which is being used for real cider (Thatcher's Heritage and Weston's Old Rosie have both been seen). There are also three beers on offer, Dark Star Hophead, one from Surrey Hills, usually Shere Drop, and a frequently changing guest which is usually from a micro- brewery. Although not a 'traditional' pub this is well worth a visit.

Horley

Foresters – This town centre pub has recently had a makeover and has installed extra handpumps for mainly local ales. Recently a couple of beers from Dorking and one from Kings were on sale at very reasonable prices.

Limpsfield Chart

Carpenters Arms – This pub close to the Kent border became Westerham Brewery's second tied house in 2011. It was totally refurbished last year and sells a good range of that brewery's products along with some German and Belgian beers on draught.

Oxted

Oxted Inn – This Wetherspoon's pub by the station has upped its beer selection and quality quite dramatically, with Surrey Hills and Dark star beers usually being available. Recently a number of Thornbridge beers have been on sale and there are plans to get a number from Oakham. Worth a visit.

Redhill

Garland – This Harvey's pub will soon be selling a beer made with Surrey hops. Surrey Hop Garland Ale (4.5%) will be brewed on the micro-plant at Lewes and will feature Fuggles hops from the Hampton Estate in Seale.

Kingston & Leatherhead Branch

Contact: Clive Taylor: 020 8949 2099, (ctaylor2007@freeuk.com)

Diary

March

- 5th (Tues)** 8.15pm Branch meeting, Manor, Malden Manor, KT3 5PN.
- 14th (Thurs)** 8pm Esher visit, meet Bear, KT10 9RQ.
- 20th (Weds)** 8pm Hampton visit, meet Railway Bell, TW12 2AP.

April

- 13th (Sat)** Visit to Aylesbury by train, see CAMRA Surrey web site for details.

If you would like to keep up to date with what is going on in our area, please join us at:
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14th Kingston Beer Festival

17th and 18th May 2013

(note that the dates differ from those previously published in News & Ale)

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Pub News

Claygate, Foley

Reopened in the Autumn after a major rebuild. A good sized bar area is retained selling a range of Wells & Young's products plus a guest.

Ewell, Queen Adelaide

Is now the Adelaide & Dragon.

Kingston, Kings Tun

Was our Winter Pub of the Season.

Kingston, Slug & Lettuce

Selling real ale again in the form of Greene King IPA.

Thames Ditton, Red Lion

Has reopened after a refurbishment and is selling two locally brewed beers.

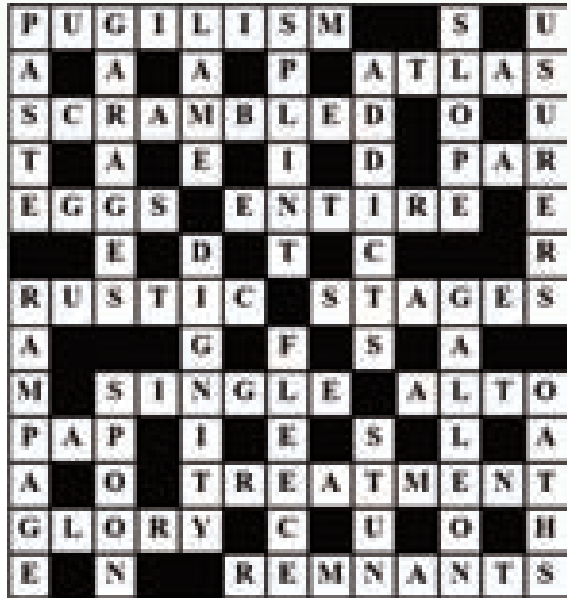
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Headscratcher **No.71** Results

The winner of Headscratcher No 71 was **Brian Cotterill** from Farnham, Surrey and the draw was made by Jan Theodore, landlady of The Hyde Tavern, Winchester.

Correct entries were also received from R Andrews, Cliff Ball, Steve Block, Diane Burnell, Doug Fish, George French, John Graham, Jim Grant, Caroline Green, Alan Greer, Peter Hanks, Bob Heaps, Mrs Kay Hilsdon, Martin Jones, Richard Jones, C McWhinnie, Paul Rogers, Mrs D Rudolph, Bob Selwood, Pete Simmonds, Paul Telling, Chris Truin, Peter Vicary, Alan Welsh, Ian Whitby, Bob Winrow, Mary Wise.

There were 7 incorrect entries.



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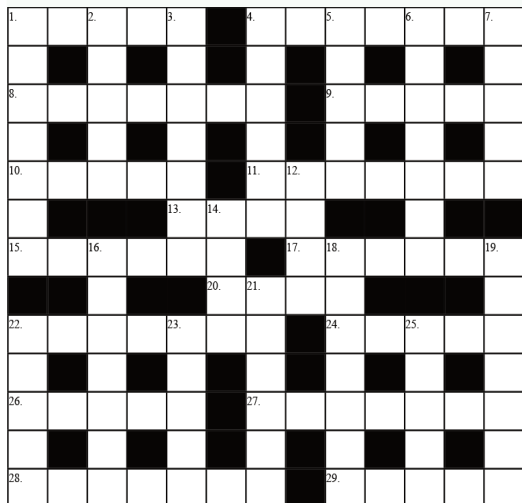
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Headscratcher No.72

£20 Prize Crossword



Headscratcher No.72 Xword Clues

DOWN

1. French worker in charge goes berserk. (7)
2. The first cows are born in a shed. (5)
3. Hits the road and causes an explosion. (4, 3)
4. Move faster to see an air attack. (6)
5. A character from Greece took part in the home game. (5)
6. Take on a character from scholarly papers on acting. (7)
7. Somehow tries to take the exam again. (5)
12. Check the French share prices index for port. (4)
14. A spider on the snooker table (4)
16. I'm involved in a great variety of jazz piano music. (7)
18. This bird is a different sort originally inhabiting Cornish hedgerows. (7)
19. Showing tolerance is part of the new beginning that is found in Lent. (7)
21. Chart line connecting pressure points. (6)
22. Prams have been redesigned for slopes. (5)
23. Pay tribute to a former bad lot. (5)
25. Took a picture containing an animal. (5)

ACROSS

1. Moves fast around Cuba to get the whole story. (5)
4. Spy on poser in various positions. (7)
8. The referee comes from a nomadic tribe near the middle of Syria. (7)
9. Is entitled to regular repair and servicing. (5)
10. This dance has got an awkward movement. (5)
11. Very quickly became exhausted. (4, 3)
- 13/17 A brawl that is all for nothing. (4-3-3)
15. An artist in a bistro depicts a wine jug. (6)
20. Has one's portrait painted in Paris it seems. (4)
22. Romeo greets upsetting sorrows. (7)
24. A hooter, after a time, becomes a source of irritation. (5)
26. The fog over the ocean is wet. (5)
27. A fighting force was found blowing up a bridge. (7)
28. Some astronomers tell a rather strange history involving the stars. (7)
29. Robbery is the breakdown of order. (5)

£20 Prize Crossword. Please send your entries in by Friday 3rd May 2013

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 Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy) _____
 Address _____

 _____ Postcode _____
 Email address _____
 Tel No(s) _____

	Direct Debit	Non DD
Single Membership	£23 <input type="checkbox"/>	£25 <input type="checkbox"/>
(UK & EU)		
Joint Membership	£28 <input type="checkbox"/>	£30 <input type="checkbox"/>
(Partner at the same address)		

For Young Member and concessionary rates please visit www.camra.org.uk or call 01727 867201.

I wish to join the Campaign for Real Ale, and agree to abide by the Memorandum and Articles of Association

I enclose a cheque for _____

Signed _____ Date _____

Applications will be processed within 21 days

Partner's Details (if Joint Membership)

Title _____ Surname _____
 Forename(s) _____
 Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy) _____

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Instruction to your Bank or Building Society to pay by Direct Debit

Please fill in the whole form using a ball point pen and send to: Campaign for Real Ale Ltd, 230 Hatfield Road, St. Albans, Herts AL1 4LW

Name and full postal address of your Bank or Building Society Service User Number

To the Manager _____ Bank or Building Society _____
 Address _____

 _____ Postcode _____

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This is not part of the instruction to your Bank or Building Society

Membership Number _____
 Name _____
 Postcode _____

Name(s) of Account Holder

Branch Sort Code

Bank or Building Society Account Number

Reference

Instructions to your Bank or Building Society

Please pay Campaign For Real Ale Limited Direct Debits from the account detailed on this instruction subject to the safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with Campaign For Real Ale Limited and, if so will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.

Signature(s) _____

Date _____



This Guarantee should be detached and retained by the payer.

The Direct Debit Guarantee

- This Guarantee is offered by all banks and building societies that accept instructions to pay by Direct Debits.
- If there are any changes to the amount, date or frequency of your Direct Debit The Campaign for Real Ale Ltd will notify you 10 working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed. If you request The Campaign for Real Ale Ltd to collect a payment, confirmation of the amount and date will be given to you at the time of the request
- If an error is made in the payment of your Direct Debit by The Campaign for Real Ale Ltd or your bank or building society you are entitled to a full and immediate refund of the amount paid from your bank or building society.
 - If you receive a refund you are not entitled to, you must pay it back when The Campaign For Real Ale Ltd asks you to
- You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by simply contacting your bank or building society. Written confirmation may be required. Please also notify us.