

WHAT'S DOING

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THE MANCHESTER BEER DRINKER'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE

October Ales

Two of the area's leading free houses have beer festivals this month, both lasting the whole of the month.

The Crescent (below) is holding its third annual Oktoberfest - 'dozens and dozens of real beers'. The Marble Arch is following up last year's successful '100 years - 100 beers' with, you guessed it - '101 years - 101 beers'.



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POLICING THE PUBS

Many CANRA members, concerned about the alterations made to public houses, have blamed not only the breweries who have carried out the work but also the licensing committees who have permitted it and the police and other agencies who have advised them. It was with this in mind that Chief Inspector Chris Berry of the Manchester Central Licensing Unit was invited to talk to the North Manchester branch on 8th September. Surprisingly, our own feelings about what public houses should be like were not too dissimilar to those of the police.

Over the last 10 years the number of full on licences in Greater Manchester has increased by around 700 to 3712 in 1988. The age structure of the clientele has changed and the drug scene is far more prevalent than it was 10 years ago. The police believe that the licensee should be aware of what is going on in the pub. As well as drugs there are also problems of indecent displays and illegal gambling. It is for this reason that the police have sometimes recommended the use of mirrors or the alteration of the building so that surveillance is possible from a central point. They believe that this is one way of protecting the licensee so that he can run his pub properly. At the moment a constable is required to visit around 30 pubs each month and some licensees ask for police assistance in sorting out their clientele.

Chief Inspector Berry told us about an initiative in Brighton where 67% of offences of all types were found to be alcohol related. Four officers were assigned full time to visit pubs on a daily basis. Licensees were warned where necessary and crime was reduced by 14%. In Greater Manchester crime has fallen by about 3%. Chief Inspector Berry was firmly of the belief that much more attention should be given to licensed premises and that the police should work closely with licensees to help reduce crime. Licensees are now responsible for disorder outside as well as inside their pubs. Residents and others can apply to restrict licences. It was pointed out that the police do not impose constraints on buildings - many of these were as a result of considerations of fire, safety and environmental health.

Asked about pub target marketing and its effect on the age structure of pub clientele, Chief Inspector Berry said that this was a great problem for the police and illustrated this with the problems in the shires where yuppies descended on the village pub and caused havoc. His views on bouncers or 'door supervisors' were equally caustic. There was evidence of violence to customers for next to no reason and the development of protection rackets. In Migan 11 late night licences

had caused considerable problems and Bolton also suffered from poor supervision. It was Chief Inspector Berry's view that there should be legal control and vetting of bouncers. Two local MPs had received complaints from constituents about attacks from doormen.

On the subject of pub layout and multi-roomed pubs, it was said that the police have no policy which dictates the layout of pubs, but that each pub should be judged on its merits. Chief Inspector Berry agreed that small roomed pubs were less troublesome than single room establishments.

The police had not experienced any problems with large licensed supermarkets, but small off-licences did create a number of difficulties. All day drinking had made no real difference to crime or public order. The police had a national policy not to get involved in the issue of identity cards but had supported an initiative in Bradford. As most problems occur at closing time, the staggering of hours may be a useful way of minimising trouble. The possibility of clubs closing at 4am in Manchester may mean a re-thinking of police shifts and transport facilities.

One of the major difficulties of policing pubs was the shortage of manpower, yet, as much crime was alcohol linked, any concentration on policing pubs would bring results as both the Brighton and Coventry initiatives had shown. The old methods of community policing did work but community support for the police is being lost because of a loss of contact and a loss of visibility.

The questioning could easily have gone on for hours, particularly as the police views did in many respects mirror our own. Duncan Roberts gave our speaker some respite by proposing a vote of thanks. Talk continued in the bar afterwards and the views expressed by Chief Inspector Berry will no doubt stimulate discussions about pub management and layout for a long time.

Words of wisdom

MOVE over Mastermind. A competition organised by Watney for its Budweiser beer contains these instructions for contestants: "...then, using your skill and judgment, fill in your name and address".

COLLECTOR'S CORNER

M A Taylor of Bury has a small collection of bottled beers which he wishes to sell. Interested collectors should telephone him on 061 764 7256.

ECCLES NEWS

DEVONSHIRE ARMS

Formerly called Addisons, the Devonshire Arms, Liverpool Road, has been bought by Whitbread and undergone a partial refurbishment. All the disco lights have been banished to a separate back room and the lounge now looks a bit more like a pub. Real ales available are Chesters mild and bitter and Marstons Pedigree, all on handpump.

At the time of visiting the prices had yet to be finalised. The new licensees, Steve Bennett and Vicky Evans-Creel, plan to operate a two-tier pricing system with the beers being cheaper at lunchtime. Food will be available at lunchtimes and until 7pm in the evening.

TIMOTHY TAYLORS BACK AT THE DUKE OF YORK

Yes, it's true! At the time of writing Taylors Landlord and Ram Tan are in the cellar of the Duke of York and due to go on sale on 20th September. This latest U-turn shows that no-one at Whitbread has any idea what their sales policy is regarding other breweries' beers. However, the message to Eccles beer drinkers is simple. Get these excellent beers down your necks before someone at Whitbread changes his mind. Again.

REAL ALE LOSSES

Central Manchester seems to have ceased in its march towards 100% real ale. Sore pubs are kicking out the real stuff in favour of naughty keg. Among the culprits are the City Arms, Oldham Street, which sports an empty Trophy handpump; the Royal George, which is entirely keg Websters; Top Yates's, where Holts is no sore; Polars, where empty Tetley pumps were on display, and the Hat & Feathers, where they'd just run out of Chesters bitter. The Lower Turks Head was serving what tasted like keg Belhaven through handpumps - the bar person didn't know what cask beer was. So much for the downside. Now for the ticks - Navas, just past the Marble Arch, now serves all three Chesters beers.

HOLTS CORNER

The Crown & Cushion, Manchester, is planned to reopen on 16th December 'if all goes well'.

The grand opening of the 'Cheadle Hulme' (formerly the Junction) is due to take place on 7th November.

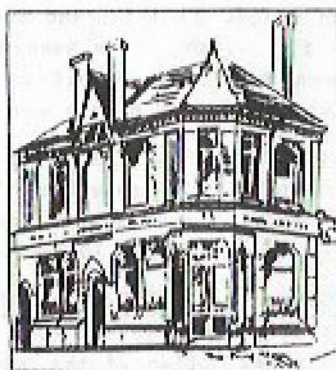
Work at the Cart & Horses, Astley, is now finished and the result is quite pleasing.

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LETTERS



THE GREAT DEBATE

Sir - As ND's self-appointed foreign Correspondent, could I add a few comments to the recent letters of Messrs Barnes, Cash, Collier, Whitley, Wort and Mrs Richardson.

I believe several CAMRA members are very insular and narrow-minded in their views on beers. They believe that real ale ends south of Chesdle Hulne. The very title 'Campaign for Real Ale' suggests that the only drink involved is unhopped, malted beer, which would rule out more or less all the brews mentioned in the Good Beer Guide!

With the open European market of 1992 just around the corner it is up to the Campaign and organs such as ND to educate the public on the vast range of beers available beyond these shores. I mentioned in my article on Californian beers that the products available over there were more carbonated than English beers - I was referring to the natural carbon dioxide produced during fermentation and not to any outside influence.

Mr Wort suggests that we 'could forget about lager until Messrs Furstenburg (sic) et al come up with something which doesn't depend on fizz'. The fact is that the FUrstenburg available around its Black Forest homeland of Donaueschingen is the tastier, hoppier Pils, rather than the bland Export and Dunkles versions available over here. The other main point is that in most outlets in Germany the beer is served under natural carbon dioxide pressure, rather than added CO², and is therefore not fizzy. There is no possible comparison between a litre of L wenbr u served straight from the barrel in Munich and the gassy, inferior chemical version produced in Wrexham by Allied Breweries.

One local brewer that produces a real lager worthy of note is John Willie Lees, for its premium Edelbr u. This has a very hoppy flower taste, similar to many Belgian pils. Apart from being tastier and cheaper than most lagers reproduced in this country under licence, it is also quite a bit stronger, weighing-in at 5.5% alcohol!

There is no British-produced 'continental' lager that is anything like its real namesake. Stella Artois available in its Belgian home is a pleasant, smooth, hoppy drink - nothing remotely like the Whitbread-produced version in this country. Becks was the first of the real

German beers to be mass imported (I deliberately omit Holsten, as it is again a special export version shipped to England, not the product available in Hamburg). Becks in Germany has the same reputation as Websters Yorkshire Bitter here. It is a bland beer that can be sold anywhere without offending the taste buds (neither does it stimulate them!)

Many years ago I wrote a feature on the wonderful world of Belgian beers, which very few people had heard of. Now these beers are available in free houses across Greater Manchester. The range of German speciality beers is also as interesting - from the top-fermented KÜlsch products, also top-fermented Alt and Melzenbiers, to the very much acquired taste of the Barberg Rauchbiers (smoked beers).

In the light of the toned-down KMC report, the EEC report still awaited and the Free Market only three years away, there is going to be a great change in the British local and CAMRA must gear itself up. The small independent brewers such as Holts, Lees and Robinsons account for only a small percentage of UK total beer output and therefore it is quite true to state that British beer is largely under-strength, overpriced and bland when compared to its EEC counterpart.

Paul Roberts

HOLTS AGAIN

Sir - Although a regular writer in your magazine, it appears that Glenn North does not read other articles or is too lazy to check facts before criticising others.

In his letter (Sept XD) he states that I wrote 'Beer is not bad when it leaves the brewery' and 'All beer is the same when it is delivered to the public house'. Not so - both these statements were by A Brown in August WD. For the record, I wrote, 'I've had bad pints of all kinds of beer but that does not mean it is bad when it leaves the brewery'. I went on to add, 'One of the problems of real ale houses is the fact that little-used pumps will give a poor and often warm pint. This also applies to pubs with a small turnover.'

As it happens, I am in full agreement with Glenn North as regards his objections to A Brown, who took the liberty to slag Holts licensees out of hand. Of course Holts had problems some time ago, but I can honestly say that even during this hot summer I've never had a bad pint of either mild or bitter at the Derby Brexery Arms, Cheetham Hill Road, or the Bridgewater, Hollinwood, which I frequent more than any others when I want a pint of Holts. I have, however, had 'malt

vinegar' mild at both the Hipp, Harpurhey, and CANRA's favourite Holts pub, the Eagle, Collier Street, Salford.

The two pubs I've recommended above sell a fair proportion of both mild and bitter, but some pubs are predominantly mild or bitter. If this is so, you're taking a chance if you order the little-used beer.

D Mason

AND AGAIN

Sir - If Glenn Worth (WD Sept) is a Holts pub manager then I would not deny him the right to speak out in reply to my critical letter on the variable quality of the beer in Holts establishments. However, I do object to him twisting my words when he says that I am 'slagging Holts managers willy-nilly'. In my letter (WD Aug) I stated, 'Some are excellent and worthy of the name'. If Glenn Worth has such an establishment, then fine and all credit to him. Let us know where it is situated and, if possible, I will pay him a visit.

As for his comment about my 'avoiding the pubs serving bad beer,' well, I can assure him that I do not, and will not, pay for bad beer no matter whose it is, Holts or any other brew! Unfortunately, where I am domiciled leaves me little choice. Apart from my local Holts pub I am left with the alternative of 4 Bass houses and 3 Websters/Wilsons. Muff said?

To get a decent drink of beer necessitates a £3 taxi ride, and the same for the return journey, which makes it an expensive night out even allowing for Holts' excellent price structure. I do it some nights, but to make the trip every night is out of the question. Therefore, I use the local Holts pub for the company of my friends but, and this is the point, we do not drink bad bitter! We have to resort to draught Guinness, extra-strong lager, or even spirits.

Being a dedicated bitter drinker, along with many of my friends I find it ludicrous to have to drink other brews in my local. Sadly, judging from the lack of response from the brewery, the trend is going to continue for some time to come. I am beginning to wonder; perhaps home brewing is the answer.

A Brown (Still a professional boozier)

(Correspondence on this subject is now closed - Ed)

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WIGAN & DISTRICT

Dave White

As anticipated last month, **STANLEY'S SNOOKER CLUB**, Powell Street, Wigan, has reopened after some facelift. You can still play snooker there, but the lounge has been opened out considerably, and the range of ales is as impressive as ever. Tetley dark mild and bitter and Walker Best are the mainstays, but Batemans mild and Taylors Landlord are virtually regular beers as well. Other additions included Everard Old Original and Tiger and Moorhouses Pendle Witch. The quality of the ales is consistently high, and there is a Quiz Night every Thursday, which is a good laugh. If anyone had told me twelve months ago that I'd be drinking Batemans and Everards in the old Snooker Club, I'd have laughed at them! They'll be serving Belhaven 80/- at the **CROFTERS ARMS** next.

Still in Wigan, the word is out that Oak best bitter was on sale at **GEM'S** free house, Upper Dicconson Street, recently, though I can't substantiate this rumour. Has the Whitbread yoke been shaken off at last? Watch this space...

Tommy Dickens ran a mean pub in the **BOWLING GREEN**, Wigan Lane, Wigan. Alas, he moved to the **DOG & PARTRIDGE** on School Lane in Standish. This dismal Tetley pub was refurbished and TD is packing 'em in up there now. In sharp contrast, the **BOWLING GREEN** (also Tetley) is now like a Chapel of Rest. The popular Draught Bass was replaced by Ind Coope Burton Ale, which made matters worse and now the **BELLINGHAM** and the **MILLSTONE** (which sells the cheapest ale in town) elsewhere on Wigan Lane are the beneficiaries. What went wrong?

I reported last month that John Smith's had bought **NORMA JEAN'S** (formerly the **ROCK FERRY**), Warrington Road, Lower Ince. The bad news is that the pub now sells only keg beers. John Smiths - like another Big Six brewery named after a bloke - do not inspire confidence in Wigan; cask ale at **BANNERS**, Hindley, didn't last. The **WALMESLEY ARMS** at Spring View (Tetleys) is your best bet if you happen to be in Lower Ince.

Cask Banks's beers come to Wigan. Well, sort of. Aspull Labour Club on Haigh Road is selling both the mild and bitter at a reasonable price, but the ale is as cold as a witch's tit. The Hansons bitter, also sold out of an illuminated box, is believed to be keg. Aspull Labour Club used to sell Burtonwood beers.

For those of you who remember the **PLOUGH & HARROW**, Ormskirk Road, Newtown, this ex-Greenalls pub - closed in 1986 - is now a pebble-dashed Wigan Hospice. Aah, there was a pub!

MARBLE ARCH

Last year it was 100, this year it's 101 - different real ales, that is, at the Marble Arch in October. Vance hopes to bring in a number of home-brew beers to complement the wide variety of beers from small and independent brewers which will be available. Alterations at the pub continue apace; the lounge should be open by the end of October and completely furnished in November. The Marble will then sport sixteen handpumps in two bars. Will the sloping mosaic floor be intact when the bar's moved and the floor exposed? Wait and see.

THEAKSTONS IN WALKDEN

The Kenyon Arms (S&N) at Little Hulton is now selling Theakstons and IPA, both on handpumps, at 90p.

All because it's 'a good boozy area'

A COMMON and increasing trend, it appears, is for viewers in the Granada region to be the nation's guinea pigs for alcoholic beverages of all kinds.

The word in the advertising world, I hear, is that the North-West is "a good boozy area", hence the latest TV campaign for Murphy's stout, an Irish brew that has been produced in Cork for hundreds of years, and is only just available over here, on draught only, in selected outlets.

The advert — which shows two New York cops, a mature Irishman and a young black man, knocking off duty for a

pint — is being advertised in the North-West before the rest of country sees it.

But it's only the latest in a long line.

Says Con Gornell of London-based agency Bartle Bogle Hegarty: "Perhaps the ultimate example was the Labatt's lager advert, which was mentioned in Coronation Street.

"One of the girls in the show compared Curly Watts to Malcolm the Mountie.

"Everyone in the Granada region knew what she meant, of course, but it meant absolutely nothing to the rest of the country."

POST VINTAGE MONGRELS

Those of us (including the author) who'd been involved in surveying pubs for 'Vintage Pubs' in places like Eccles, Salford and Manchester could be forgiven for imagining that all selections in other parts of the county were of the calibre of the Peveril, the Lamb, the Queens Arms, the Old House at Home or the Black Friar. Well, it ain't necessarily so, particularly in Rochdale. I knew the Cemetery and imagined that all other entries would be of a similar standard. But, sadly, no. The Albert and the Merry Monk are excellent, thriving locals, great pubs in their own way but hardly vintage. Even the Reed Hotel, whilst having some pedigree, had been tarted up in such a way as to lose some of its original character. Tasteful, yes, but not quite what the author had in mind.

Roger Hall

TOP HOUSE TEASHOP

The change of image at the Top House (formerly the Railway), Eccles, is now complete. Following the name change, the interior has been transformed into one room as reported last month. The wood-panelled vault has disappeared and the facade has been rebuilt in brick with low level windows so you can see in - like a teashop. The beer line-up is Tetley dark mild and bitter, Walker Best Bitter and Burton Ale. The pub needed some attention, but now it is just like thousands of other refurbished pubs. "Yes, but there is more space," they say. Presumably to pack more people in. We'll see.

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by Rob Magee

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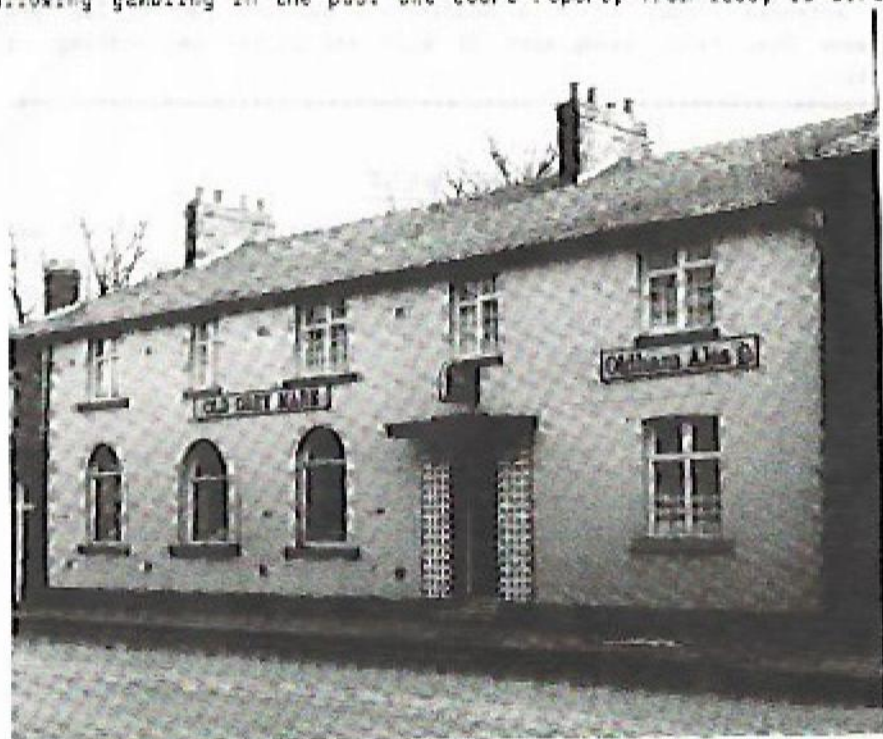
OLD GREY MARE

331 Oldham Road, Royton

The Old Grey Mare started life about 1820 as the Dog & Partridge, kept by John Butterworth. A few years later it was called the Dog & Grouse. Mr Butterworth's fortunes took a downward turn in 1835, when the pub was broken into and all his spirit stock was stolen. In the following year he was involved in a strange court case. It seems that he refused to pay 5/- towards a 'feasting', which led to three fellow licensees ill-treating and harassing him. The three were found guilty, but Mr Butterworth had had enough and left the following year.

The pub was renamed the Grey Mare about 1850, but the new name didn't bring good fortune! At 4.30 one morning a man was found dead in the gutter outside. He had been drinking heavily in the Engine at Dry Clough before making his way up to the Grey Mare. The body was put into the cellar to be identified.

George Richards, licensee from 1864, got into trouble a few times for allowing gambling in the pub. One court report, from 1869, is worth



quoting: "On Friday 18th June at 7.30pm George Richards, landlord of the Grey Mare, was playing cards for 6d when a man dressed like a tramp whose face was blackened with grime suddenly stepped forward and said he was a policeman and charged Mr Richards with gambling. Mr Richards came out with some mumbled remark and said to go away, not believing him. The tramp immediately produced a pair of handcuffs and said, 'My name is PC Twiss.' PC Twiss said he was offered 2/6d and told to go away again. The Bench then asked why he was in disguise, adding, 'The Bench do not like the idea of police dressed as tramps,' and asked Inspector Brakell to explain. He answered that gambling had been going on for some time but they could never catch them. So he had given permission for PC Twiss to disguise himself as a mechanic. (Laughter) The defendant, Mr Richards, glared at PC Twiss and muttered 'he favoured a tramp'. He was fined 10/- plus costs."

By 1871 the pub was being called the Old Grey Mare and in 1890 it was very run-down - "dilapidated, dirty and not fit for travellers". However, Fletcher & Travis's Brewery bought the pub in the 1890s, and under their successors, Oldham Brewery, the Old Grey Mare was improved and extended. Today it is a Boddingtons pub and current landlord Raymond Shaw sells handpumped OB mild and bitter and Boddingtons bitter.

GONE WEST

There used to be a lot of pubs on Cross Lane. Indeed, Salford was famous for it. Housing clearances and road schemes have seen off nearly all of them, and now one of the few remaining is to go. The London & North Western (latterly the Norwest) is to be pulled down to make way for a car showroom.

POOR OLD BET!

CAMRA members recently carried out a survey of pubs in T.V./radio soaps and poor old Bet Lynch of the Rovers Return was slammed for beer which looks like gripe water and an atmosphere that is a definite turn-off. The Rovers polled only 10%. The Bull at Anbridge (Radio 4's Archers) managed only 22%. But grumpy Amos of the Woolpack in Emmerdale farm topped the lot with 44%. Maybe Newton & Ridley should seriously consider throwing out the keg at the Rovers and re-installing handpumps.

RUPERT'S PAGE



One of my favourite hostelrys was a Broodingnags house in West Slurley which Efrex had improved at vast expense despite pointless protests by an unthinking and ungrateful clientele. One of the major reasons for the hostelry's excellence was the presence of the personable mine host, 'Littletrousers', as he was affectionately known by the regulars. The tavern was never crowded and you could always park your car or get a table in the art deco restaurant. 'Littletrousers' saw to it that the place never became too popular - he even threw out local MPs who'd booked if he didn't like the look of them. His masters didn't approve of his selectivity and deselected him. A cruel move, for who else would employ a failed tavernkeeper?

The place just wasn't the same when he went; perhaps a motel is what's called for? Iish and Fiona felt that all the other local hostelrys catered exclusively for the gin, Jaguar and no knickers brigade so, searching for authenticity we strayed off patch to the environs of Friggin and Scrotton. My companions were not too happy with the large number of establishments which employed tuxedoed heavies to keep out the riff-raff. I pointed out that 25 years ago there were fights every night and twice on Saturdays in every pub on Dockley Road and entirely because there was no door security. They ignored me and dragged me off to a tavern devoid of gargantuan penguins.

We'd no sooner been served when in walked two gentlemen in black and white. One had a violin case so we assumed they were members of a local orchestra. But no, we couldn't help but overhear their little chat with mine host. "Ron and me find it very surprising that you don't employ no door security, what with all the violence and lager yuppies and everything - look, even as I speak, a young hoodlum is breaking up your pub." At this point Ron crossed the lounge, knocking over a table where some OAPs were playing dominoes and nutted a tattooed youth who was cracking willow pattern plates with a baseball bat. "As it 'appens Ron and me are principals of Scrotton Doorman Associates and we can guarantee total freedom from this kind of thing for only two hundred quid a week. Sleep easy. Fully qualified door supervisors, changed daily, many with form for GBH, will keep your establishment free from the scum what cause trouble. How's about it, guv?" A ring from the till, the rustle of notes and the two gentlemen were on their way, knocking over the domino table and nutting a

customer who was about to cause trouble by talking as they left. Yet another hostelry which will be saved from the mindless violence of its customers by a simple process of scientific discrimination. A rave to be applauded.

WHITEFIELD NEWS

The Coach & Horses (Holts) on Bury Old Road has finally had the 'sinking floor' behind the bar replaced. After 159 years it had become almost ready to collapse. The work entailed the closing down of the bar, so with the prospect of no 'Uncle Joseph's' for a week the 'Keep the Coach Open' plan swung into action. Holts's joiner built a temporary bar which was secured to the floor in the snug! Holes were drilled to bring the beer lines through the floor from the cellar to four mobile handpumps which were loaned by members of CANRA's Rochdale, Oldham & Bury branch. The whole operation was a great success.

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BREWERY ACTION GROUP

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| Brewery | Licensing District | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|--------------------|-----|------|--------|-----|------------------|------|-----|-------|-----|------|
| | SALFORD | | | ECCLES | | MANCHESTER(part) | | | TOTAL | | |
| | Real | Not | Real | Real | Not | Real | Real | Not | Real | Not | Real |
| Banks's | - | 1 | 2 | - | 3 | - | 5 | 1 | | | |
| Bass | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 16 | 18 | | | |
| Boddingtons | 11 | - | 21 | - | 12 | - | 44 | - | | | |
| Burtonwood | 2 | - | - | - | 3 | - | 5 | - | | | |
| Greenalls | 7 | 12 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 15 | 22 | | | |
| Holts | 12 | - | 20 | - | 15 | - | 47 | - | | | |
| Hydes | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | | | |
| Lees | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | - | 8 | - | | | |
| Marstons | 2 | - | - | - | 8 | - | 10 | - | | | |
| Robinsons | 3 | - | 3 | - | 4 | - | 10 | - | | | |
| John Smiths | - | 2 | 1 | 3 | - | 3 | 1 | 8 | | | |
| San Smiths | 2 | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 4 | 1 | | | |
| SSN | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | | | |
| Tetleys | 1 | 6 | 19 | 7 | 16 | 4 | 36 | 17 | | | |
| Thwaites | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | | | |
| Whitbread | 11 | 16 | 5 | 2 | 25 | 12 | 41 | 30 | | | |
| Wilson's | 14 | 3 | 12 | 1 | 31 | 7 | 57 | 11 | | | |
| Free | 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 4 | 15 | 6 | | | |
| Totals | 60 | 45 | 96 | 26 | 142 | 43 | 318 | 114 | | | |

Brewers with highest percentage of pubs in each district:

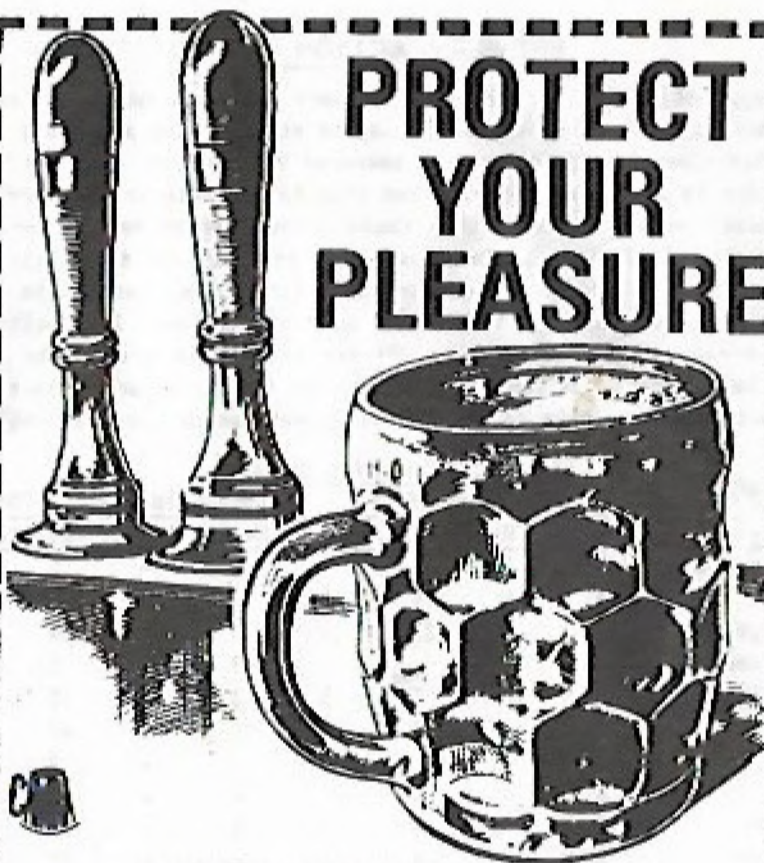
Salford Whitbread (22%)

Eccles Tetleys (21%)

N. Manchester Wilson's (21%)

Other monopoly threats: Holts/Boddingtons in Eccles (34%)

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Wed 4 Oct. Trip to Clarke's Brewery

Wed 11 Oct. Regional Meeting. 8pm Kings Arms (Dobbin's Brewery).

Wed 18 Oct. Branch Meeting, Crescent, Salford. 8pm

Wed 25 Oct. Eccles Crawl. Lamb 7pm, Old Bulls Head (posh side) 8pm.

Wed 1 Nov. Clifton Crawl (A666): Robin Hood 7pm, Lord Nelson 8-8.30pm

Wed 8 Nov. City Price Survey - meet Wheatsheaf, Oak Street, 7.30

Contact: Roger Hall 740 7937

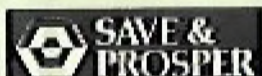
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