

# Drake's Drinker



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PHOTO – This is what a 2021 real ale drinker would have looked like in 1971 – what-style! A Retro 1970's CAMRA tee shirt and the new CAMRA book, 50 Years of CAMRA.

Welcome to the Fourth Edition of Drake's Drinker, produced by unpaid volunteers of the Plymouth Branch of CAMRA, during the Covid-19 pandemic and Lockdown 3. We hope that the end of Lockdown is in sight!

We hope that you enjoy reading our news.



# Hop Off The Press



Hi, Fellow Beer and Cider Lovers.

The Prime Minister published his Roadmap to the easing of the restrictions placed upon all of us due to Covid-19, with a speculative calendar of when, he hopes, the restrictions can begin to be eased. We have listed the pertinent details of The Roadmap on Page 5. The basic dates for us, as pub, beer and cider lovers, are Monday April 12<sup>th</sup>, when pubs with gardens, or a patio or other outside space, will be able to open for outside drinking and dining. If all goes well, we can hope to be back inside the pub from 17<sup>th</sup> May.

Last month, on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March, we held a virtual online birthday celebration for our 50<sup>th</sup> birthday, unfortunately we won't be celebrating inside a pub together for a short time yet – but we will do when it is safe to do so. We will be able to visit pub gardens or other outside spaces from today, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April, or can continue to drink safely at home. Some local breweries are able to deliver beer directly to our doors, such as Dartmoor, Roam and Summerskills (and they can also deliver Countryman and Hunts cider).

Details for local breweries providing home deliveries can be found on our website, *Pulling Together*. The website link is <a href="https://www.camra.org.uk/pullingtogether">https://www.camra.org.uk/pullingtogether</a>. If you fancy trying beers from further afield and nationally, please try out the *Brew2You* App, via this link <a href="https://brew2you.co.uk">https://brew2you.co.uk</a>. Further details are shown in the article on page 13 for both initiatives.

We have been publishing details of pubs reopening throughout the last 12 months, and provided links to either the pub Facebook page or pub website. However, we will need your help in making sure that we list the pubs that will be opening, when they are permitted to do so, and what the pub will be offering. Please email our webmaster, Ian Dickinson, with the details <a href="webmaster@plymouth.camra.org.uk">webmaster@plymouth.camra.org.uk</a> When we are back to normal, hopefully this year, we need your help to support breweries, pubs and clubs. You can encourage your friends and family to join the campaign, supporting their local pub or club. It's about keeping the unique *British Pub* alive,

Cheers, Bob Holmes and the Plymouth CAMRA Committee









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# Branch Diary



In line with Government Lockdown restrictions, all official CAMRA activities, such as branch meetings, social activities and beer festivals, have been postponed, or in reality, cancelled until further notice.

We all hope that we will be able to get back to "normal", as soon as it is safe to do so. This will obviously not be normal, but a "New Normal".

# **Some Technical Brewing Terms 2**

*Chill Proof* Clarifying beer to remove solids that would cause a haze at low

temperatures.

**Cold Break** Rapid cooling of the wort\* to remove proteins and other material.

**Condition** The amount of dissolved carbon dioxide in a beer.

Conditioning Maturing beer in tanks or bottles to improve flavours and

conditioning.

**Decoction** European method of mashing, involving more than one mash vessel

and varying temperatures.

Dry Hopping Adding unboiled hops to the beer during or after fermentation to

enhance aroma.

Esters Fruit or solvent-flavoured organic compounds created during

fermentation.

**Ethanol** Alcohol created by fermentation; also known as Ethyl Alcohol.

**Extract** The amount of sugar in the wort\*.

Fermentation The conversion, by yeast, of sugars into alcohol and carbon dioxide.

\* the unfermented sweet, sugary liquid produced by the mash.



# The Roadmap



A "roadmap" for easing Covid restrictions in England has been announced by the UK Government on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021.

Easing of the restrictions will take place in four stages, with a minimum of five weeks between each stage. After the first stage in March, further lifting of the restrictions will only happen if certain conditions are met – such as the vaccine rollout going to plan. The aim is for all restrictions to be lifted, but this will not happen until 21<sup>st</sup> June at the earliest.

**Stage one** is in two parts: 8 March 2021 and 29 March 2021 Achieved! **Stage two** No earlier than Monday 12 April 2021: In hand today!

• **Restaurants and pub gardens** will be allowed to serve customers sitting outdoors, including alcohol

**Stage three** No earlier than Monday 17 May 2021:

• Pubs, restaurants and other hospitality venues can seat customers indoors

**Stage four** No earlier than Monday 21 June 2021:

- All legal limits on social contact will be removed
- No legal limits on the number of people who can attend weddings, funerals and other life events. From April, the government will run pilots for events such as large weddings, festivals and work conferences. This will help to determine how measures such as enhanced testing might allow large groups to attend without social distancing
- Nightclubs will be allowed to reopen

# What are the four tests for easing restrictions?

Each stage will be a minimum of five weeks apart. Four conditions must be met at each stage before proceeding to the next one:

- 1. The coronavirus vaccine programme continues to go to plan
- 2. Vaccines are sufficiently reducing the number of people dying with the virus or needing hospital treatment
- 3. Infection rates do not risk a surge in hospital admissions
- 4. New coronavirus variants do not fundamentally change the risk of lifting restrictions





# Where Are They Now No 7





in here, and comfort could be assured by using the leather easy chairs.

(Admiral) Stopford Arms, 172, Devonport Road, Devonport PL1 5RE

This was a typical suburban pub, situated on the Devonport Road between Stoke Village and the College of Further Education. This unpretentious two-room local's pub had a very good reputation for well-kept real ales, and an excellent selection of malt whiskeys.

The room at the front housed what was termed the lounge bar, and had a serving counter rather than a bar. Lunchtime meals were often served

The real bar area was at the back of the pub from the photo view shown here, with an entrance in Stopford Place. The pub was in the Webster family for around 50 years or so, until the early 2000's. Courage Heavy, Best and Directors were regularly available over the years, latterly having a major makeover under new licensees which opened the pub out a lot, and saw the garden opened up. Regular guest beers also came to the fore.

Unfortunately, for whatever reason, the pub closed in about 2012 and remained boarded up for a couple of years, before eventually being sold and converted to housing in 2015.







# Pub & Brewery News



### **Local Pub News**

We have over 90 pubs in our branch area who have decided when they will reopen when permitted, both for outside service – with effect from today, Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 – and some that will not until inside service is permitted. In addition, there are around 30 that have continued to offer Takeaway or a delivery service during Lockdown 3. All pubs known to be operating these services are listed on the branch website. Please select the "PUBS REOPENING DURING COVID" left hand side menu option.

1620 Bar have started a Crowdfunding campaign; Ales & Tails, Plymstock, is a new bar located in the Broadway; Bitter & Twisted, Tavistock, formally the Duke of York, is under new management, and has been refurbished inside and outside; it will be opening "soon", but without an outside area, we suspect it will be May; Boringdon Arms will reopen from today, Monday 12/4/21; BrewDog, City Centre, will open from today, Monday 12/4/21; Brook Inn, Plympton St Maurice, are under new management from today, Monday 12/4/21, but will not open until May; Burrator Inn, Dousland, is also under new management and are advertising for staff. They intend to open "soon"; Market Inn, Tavistock, is under new Management and will open from today, Monday 12/4/21; Nowhere Inn will reopen under New Management from Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July; A planning application has been submitted for change of use for the Office, Stonehouse, in to domestic dwelling; Steel Brewery Tap will open from 1500 on Friday 16/4/21, using temporary outside seating. They intend to be open from 1200 on Saturdays and Sundays, and remain so until inside service is permitted; Tavy Club, Tavistock, formally RBL Tavistock, is now called Stannary Arms; Three Crowns, Barbican has been refurbished and have a new outside area on the cobbles; Union Inn, Tavistock, will reopen from today, Monday 12/4/21; Victualling Office Tavern, Stonehouse, is being advertised for sale at £525 000.00.

Plymouth CAMRA would like to wish all new licensees the very best of luck in their new ventures.

# **Brewery News**

With the news of pubs and restaurants being able to reopen for outside service, I would expect the majority of breweries to be brewing again, if they had not re-started prior to the Prime Minister's announcement. However, Hunters has started a Crowdfunding campaign.





# Pub & Brewery News



During the various stages of the Pandemic, and the various restrictions placed upon the Hospitality Trade, Plymouth CAMRA have tried to maintain up-to-date lists of pubs providing services as permitted during those periods. We aim to do so again, when pubs are permitted to re-open during the easing of restrictions.

If you are aware of any hospitality venues providing services during the easing of restrictions, please email <a href="webmaster@plymouth.camra.org.uk">webmaster@plymouth.camra.org.uk</a> with details of services being provided, and a link to where the details are advertised, such as social media page or website – Many Thanks! Stay safe!

For the latest list of pubs trading with an outside trading area, please follow this link to **Pubs Known To Have An Outside Area - From April 12th 2021 - Plymouth CAMRA** Please use the link to the pub's social media page or website to check the latest information – Plymouth CAMRA cannot keep up with this rapidly-changing situation.

For a list of pubs which MAY still be offering food and drink deliveries, please follow this link to <u>Pubs</u> <u>Offering Takeaway or Delivery Services - from 31st December 2020 - Plymouth CAMRA</u> Please use the link to the pub social media page or website to check the latest information – we cannot keep up with this rapidly-changing situation.

We have also tried to maintain Historical Details of what pubs were able to do, and when, which can also be viewed via the above links. Alternatively, visit our website and select "Pubs Reopening During Covid Pandemic" from the left hand side menu.





# Happy Birthday!



Last month, the Campaign for Real Ale was fifty years of age, a big milestone in our organisation's history! That first meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> March 1972 with four friends discussing the quality, or lack of quality, in beer at that time could not have imagined how their feelings would strike such a chord with so many people.

Sadly, we haven't been able to celebrate our fiftieth birthday in a pub this year (yet), but we would hope to be able to do so later in the year when it is safe to do so.



With this in mind, I have taken a look back to our fortieth birthday, which took place on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2011, where we held a joint social with University the Plymouth Real Ale and Cider Society (UPRACS). We had decided to hold a joint pub crawl around Mutley and Greenbank, to enable the students to join us in an area close to their halls/accommodation.

We started off in the Mannamead, Mutley Plain, which has a great

area to meet people in you would expect, there was a good selection of real ales and real ciders available, although what they were, I can't remember! From the Mannamead, we moved down the road to the Fortescue for another great selection or real ales and real ciders. We had made some publicity material for the occasion, a special Fortieth Birthday card, which we gave out to customers and left on a couple of pub tables.





# Fortieth Birthday





I'd like to say that the balloons on the left were for our celebratory occasion, but they weren't on this occasion! The photo on the left shows a rather younger-looking me (holding the card), Colin (our social secretary), Jez (UPRAKS) and Roger (our treasurer, who sadly passed away in 2014). Vernon is hiding rather too closely to the bar, but I seem to remember that he bought the round — what a nice chap!

From the Fort, we went into Greenbank and into the Providence Inn, Providence Street. Being a small locals pub, the students didn't know that it was there.

Here, we've got Jez, Vernon, Colin, Jez, Roger, Norm and Dave Biss.

From the Provi, we went round the corner to the Clifton Inn, which the Students used to meet in for the society socials at that time.







# Fortieth Birthday



And from the Clifton, we continued down the hill towards the city centre and finished in the Fawn Club, Armada Street. And here's me with the card which we left in all of the pubs.







# Pulling Together



Like pubs, breweries were not initially deemed as essential businesses at the beginning of the pandemic. However, this changed quite early on, and a large number of breweries joined the Pulling Together Campaign to publicise, free of charge, what customers were able to order.

The Pulling Together website, <u>Pulling Together - CAMRA - Campaign for Real Ale</u> (link) lists all known breweries and pubs which are providing beer sales (and other options) direct to the public during the Covid-19 pandemic, the first pandemic in 100 years.

There is no known UK brewery brewing at anywhere near their usual production levels for this time of year, as the majority of beer is sold direct to the Licensed Trade for consumption in Licensed Premises.



Unusual Pub Name	es 3		
Cow and Snuffers	Cardiff	Donkey & Buskins	Essex
Cracke	Liverpool	Drunken Duck	Cumbria
Crown & Kettle	Manchester	Elephant's Nest, Hor	rndon, Devon
Crown Pasada	Newcastle-Upon-Tyne	Flat Iron	Manchester
Dog & Bell	London	Flood's Tavern, Cambridgeshire	





The **CAMRA LocAle Scheme** is an initiative that promotes pubs stocking locally-brewed real ale. The scheme builds on the growing consumer demand for quality local produce and an increased awareness of "green" issues. List correct as at 12 April 2021.

### **Avonwick**

Avon Inn, Avonwick, TQ10 9NB Turtley Corn Mill, Avonwick, TQ10 9ES

Bere Ferrers Ermington

Olde Plough Inn, Fore Street, PL20 7JG Crooked Spire Inn, The Square, PL21 9LP

Bittaford Hemerdon

Horse & Groom, Exeter Road, PL21 0EL Miner's Arms, PL7 5BU

**Brixton** Hexworthy

Foxhound Inn, Kingsbridge Road, PL8 2AH Forest Inn, PL20 6SD

Buckland Monachorum Holbeton

Drake Manor Inn, Buckland, PL20 7NA

Dartmoor Union Inn, Fore Street, PL8 1NE

California Cross Mary Tavy

California Inn, PL21 0SG Mary Tavy Inn, Lane Head, PL19 9PN

**Chipshop** Meavy

Copper Penny Inn, PL19 8NT Royal Oak Inn, PL20 6PJ

Clearbrook Milton Combe

Skylark Inn, PL20 6JD Who'd Have Thought It Inn, PL20 6HP

**Dousland** Modbury

Burrator Inn, PL20 6NP Exeter Inn, Church Street, PL21 0QR

Modbury Inn Proyungton Street, PL21 0PC

Modbury Inn, Brownston Street, PL21 0RQ





# **Noss Mayo**

Ship Inn, PL8 1EW

# **Plymouth**

Artillery Arms, 6 Pound Street, Stonehouse PL1 3RH Brass Monkey, 12-14 Royal Parade, PL1 1DS Bread & Roses, 62 Ebrington Street, PL4 9AF Brewery Tap, 99 Edgecumbe Street, PL1 3SZ Britannia Inn, 2 Wolseley Road, Milehouse PL2 3BH Clifton Inn, 35 Clifton Street, Greenbank PL4 8JB Dolphin Hotel, 12 Barbican, Barbican PL1 2LS Fareham Inn, 6 Commercial Road, Coxside PL4 0LD Fawn Members Club, 39, Prospect Street, Greenbank PL4 8NY Ferry House Inn, 888 Wolseley Road, Saltash Passage PL5 1LA Fisherman's Arms, 31 Lambhay Hill, Barbican PL1 2NN Fortescue Hotel, 37 Mutley Plain, Mutley PL4 6JQ Gog & Magog, 58 Southside Street, Barbican PL1 2LA Golden Hind, 260 Mannamead Road, Hartley PL3 5RJ Kitty O'Hanlon's, 5 St Andrews Street, City Centre, PL1 2AH Mannamead, 61 Mutley Plain, Mutley PL4 6JH Maritime Inn, 19 Southside Street, Barbican PL1 2LD Masonic Inn, 65 Devonport Road, Stoke PL3 4DL Minerva Inn, 31 Looe Street, Barbican PL4 0EA Noah's Ark, 32a Courtney Street, City Centre PL1 1EP Nowhere Inn, 21 Gilwell Street, City Centre PL4 8BU Plymouth Hoe Club, 1-2 Osbourne Place PL1 2PU Porters, 20-21 Looe Street, Barbican PL4 0EA – (closed) Prince Maurice, 3 Church Hill, Eggbuckland PL6 5SR Providence Inn, Providence Street, Greenbank PL4 8JQ Pub On The Hoe, 159 Citadel Road, The Hoe PL1 2HU Stoke Inn, 43 Devonport Road, Stoke PL3 4DL Swan Inn, 15 St Andrews Street, City CentrePL1 2AX Thistle Park Tavern, 32 Commercial Road, Coxside PL4 0LE Union Rooms, 19 Union Street, City Centre PL1 2SU West Hoe, 24 Bishop's Place, The Hoe, PL1 3BW **Plympton Plymstock** 

Colebrook Inn, Colebrook Road, PL7 4AA London Inn, 8 Church Road, PL7 1NH Stannary Court, 95-99 Ridgeway PL7 2AA Union Inn, 17 Underwood Road PL7 1SY Drake's Drum, 19 Radford Park Road, PL9 9DN





# **Postbridge**

East Dart Hotel, Sat Nav 50.5949, -3.9097, OS Ref 652792, PL20 6TJ Warren House Inn, Sat Nav 50.613, -3.8752, OS Ref 674809, PL20 6TA

### **Princetown**

Dartmoor Inn, Merrivale PL20 6ST Plume of Feathers Inn, Plymouth Hill PL20 6QQ Prince of Wales Hotel, Tavistock Road PL20 6QF

# Ringmore

Journey's End Inn, TQ7 4HL

# **Shaugh Prior**

White Thorn Inn, PL7 5HA

# **Sparkwell**

Treby Arms, PL7 5DD Welbeck Manor Hotel, PL7 5DF

### **Tavistock**

Bedford Hotel, Plymouth Road, PL19 8BB Queen's Head Hotel, 80 West Street PL19 8AQ Trout 'N' Tipple, Parkwood Road, PL19 0JS

# **Turnchapel**

Boringdon Arms, 13 Boringdon Terrace PL9 9TQ Clovelly Bay Inn, 1 Boringdon Road PL9 9TB

# Walkhampton

Walkhampton Inn PL20 6JY

# Wembury

Odd Wheel, Knighton Road PL9 0JD



# Local Bus Companies.

If you have any questions about public transport in and around Plymouth, please contact our Public Transport Officer, George McCarron, on <a href="mailto:pto@plymouth.camra.org.uk">pto@plymouth.camra.org.uk</a>

# Plymouth CityBus – visit <a href="https://www.plymouthbus.co.uk/">www.plymouthbus.co.uk/</a> (link)

Plymouth Citybus Limited, 1 Milehouse Road, Milehouse, Plymouth, Devon, PL3 4AA **telephone 01752 662271.** Please email <u>customer.services@plymouthbus.co.uk</u>

Stagecoach South West - visit www.stagecoachbus.com/localdefault.aspx?Tag=Plymouth/ (link)

Stagecoach South West, Belgrave Road, Exeter, Devon, EX1 2LB

telephone 01392 427711, disability helpline 01392 889749

Please email southwest.enquiries@stagecoachbus.com

Tally Ho Coaches – visit www.tallyhocoaches.co.uk/ (link)

Tally Ho Coaches, Station Yard Industrial Estate, Kingsbridge, Devon, TQ7 1ES telephone 01548 853081 Please email info@tallyhocoaches.co.uk

# Target Travel – visit www.targettravel.co.uk/ (link)

Langage Business Park, Plympton, Plymouth, Devon PL7 5JY telephone 01752 242000 Please email admin@targettravel.info

Country Bus – visit www.countrybusdevon.co.uk/index.html (link)

King Charles Business Park, Old Newton Road, Heathfield, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 6UT telephone 01626 833664. Please email info@countrybusdevon.co.uk

# **Traveline South West Journey Planner**

Combine journey's by bus, train, coach and ferry for travel in the south west. **Visit - www.travelinesw.com/** (link) **telephone 0871 200 2233** (calls cost 10p/min from a BT landline, price at December 2017)

# **Train Companies**

**Great Western Railway – visit <u>www.gwr.com/</u>** (link)

Write to GWR Customer Support, FREEPOST RSKT-AHAZ-SLRH, Plymouth PL4 6AB

Cross Country Trains – visit www.crosscountrytrains.co.uk/ (link)

Office: XC Trains Limited, Admiral Way, Doxford International Business Park, Sunderland, SR3 3XP

National Rail Enquiries – visit <a href="https://www.nationalrail.co.uk/">www.nationalrail.co.uk/</a> (link)

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The Campaign has provided, for a number of years, a national pub website, which we have called What Pub, and is available <u>UK Pub Guide</u>, <u>Campaign for Real Ale • whatpub.com</u> (link). This lists over 55 000 pubs, clubs and hotels throughout the whole of the United Kingdom, with over 37 000 of these establishments serving real, cask-conditioned ale.

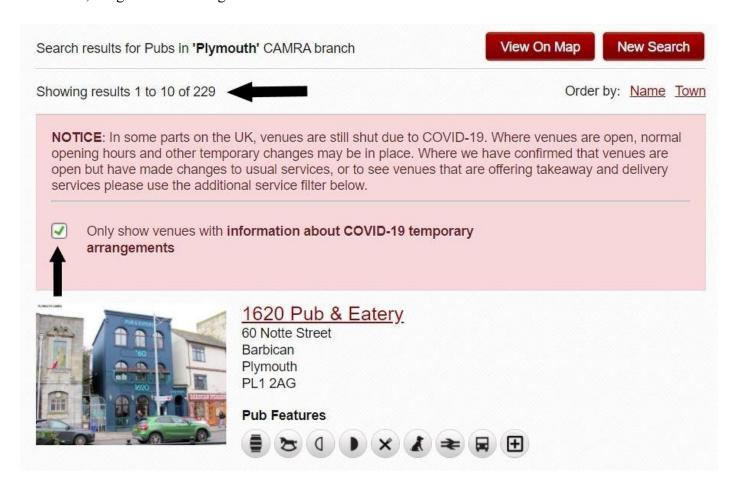
This website is maintained and managed by unpaid volunteers on a local level, in the case of Plymouth CAMRA by four local volunteers. We update the website whenever we are aware of changes to a pubs details, or made aware by people providing details of any errors or changes, such as telephone number has changed, for instance.



However, due to the pandemic, things have changed slightly. We no longer make changes to the pub opening hours, or food timings, due to the rapidly-changing situation due to the pandemic. Instead, we make amendments to an additional field, which we have called Covid-19 Temporary Arrangements. Before you click in the Search Box, tick the "Only show venues with information about COVID-19 temporary

**arrangements**", just below the search box as shown by the arrow above, then type in your search criteria, such as Plymouth, or Tavistock, or Ivybridge, or whatever – see screenshot above.

You can search using a pub name, or postcode, or Plymouth (CAMRA), if you wish. You can also tick the "search for pubs and clubs that serve real ale" as well if you wish. Using the search criteria "Plymouth CAMRA", we get the following screenshot.



This lists the total number of establishments we are aware of that are open under the present trading conditions following Government guidelines (229 pubs, clubs and hotels). You can sort this, in order, by Pub Name, or by Town.

# Famous Beer Advertising Slogans 3 11. "I'm only here for the beer" Double Diamond 12. "It looks good, tastes good and by golly it does you good" 13. "It's blended, it's splendid" Pabst Blue Ribbon 14. "Lose the carbs, not the taste" Michelob Ultra 15. "No fokker comes close" Shepherd Neame Spitfire

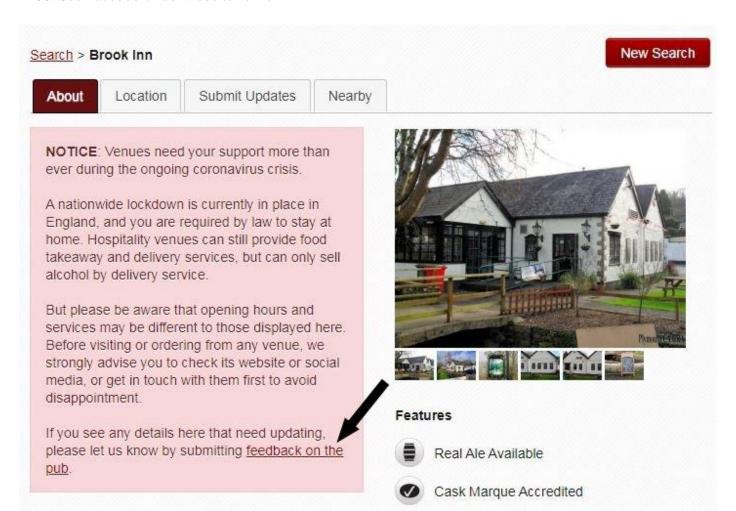


# What Pub Help



To help the unpaid volunteers to try and keep up with news about what pubs may be able to provide during this Lockdown Period, please use What Pub in the usual way and search for the pub. Then click on the "Feedback On The Pub" link at the top of the pub entry, as shown below by the arrow. Then just fill in the details about the services being provided, such as:-

"Food and drink deliveries are available on Tuesdays to Sundays, from 1200 until 1400, and 1700 until 2100. See Facebook/Pub Website for full details".









Real cider and perry grows on trees

Real cider is made from fresh apple juice, and real perry is made from fresh pear juice. Naturally fermented and free from concentrate or artificial processing.

Visit www.whatpub.com to find real cider and perry pubs



# Traditional British Beer Styles No 6



# 11. Light/Pale Mild Ales, up to and including ABV 4.0%

The characteristic thread of English maltiness weaves its way through this style, but the tell-tale hops of the bitter family manifest here slightly softer and more restrained. *England's old favourite*.

What used to be a house favourite, on tap at every pub across the English countryside in the 1960's, has seen drastic decline in the last several decades. This softer, less hoppy brew, has relinquished much of its former following to bitters. However, these low-alcohol, light-coloured ales are perfect session brews and still have a place in the English beer family. They have experienced a recent resurgence and are quite fittingly served on cask. Without a great variety of specific distinctions, this style is pleasant, often with lightly fruity notes mixing harmoniously with the soft, English-style hops. The malt backbone is consistent and sturdy, without being overpowering.

# Three examples of this style:

*Timothy Taylor's Brewery Golden Best ABV 3.5%* – light amber and clear, a slight aroma of bready malts mix with fruit. Light in body, it is refreshing and quaffable.

*McMullen's Brewery AK ABV 3.7%* – this is a classic light mild, brewed at McMullen's family brewery with pale malt and a touch of chocolate malt. Rich and fruity with gentle hop character balancing juicy malt.

*Olde Swan Brew Pub Original ABV 3.5%* – straw-coloured light mild, smooth but tangy, and sweetly refreshing with a faint hoppiness.

# 12. Dark Mild Ales, up to and including ABV 4.0%

As a low-gravity beer, sessionable but well-built, dark mild ales are the perfect accompaniment to a hearty lunch. *Pleasingly mellow*.

In true English beer-naming fashion, mild is an understated style. With a low ABV, but still flavourful and solid, this beer becomes the perfect choice for many occasions. This mellow, almost flat ruby/dark-coloured brew is a chameleon of style. It is said that "if the brewer calls it mild – then, by Jove, it is!". Generally speaking, hops are on the light side and malts are prevalent, bringing roasty chocolatey notes. The best of the dark mild family are low in alcohol, but still flavourful, rich and interesting beers.

### Three examples of this style:

*Moorhouse's Brewery Black Cat ABV 3.4%* – a dark mild-style beer, with delicate chocolate and roast coffee flavours and a crisp, bitter finish.

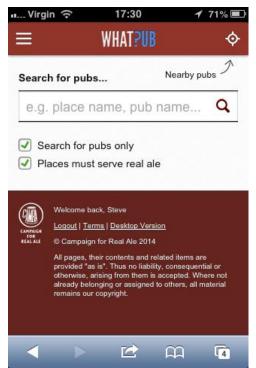
Elgood's Brewery Black Dog ABV 3.6% – black-red mild with liquorice and chocolate. Dry roasty finish.

Mighty Oak Brewery Oscar Wilde ABV 3.7% – roasty dark mild with suggestions of forest fruits and dark chocolate. A sweet taste yields to a more bitter finish.



CAMRA Members have been able to play an active part in their local Branch for many years, without having to commit to devoting a lot of extra time to the cause. Beer scoring is an easy way to do this!

Beer scoring enables a number of things – firstly, it lets us (the Branch) know that *A Pub* is open and trading – which is very important in these very difficult trading times. Secondly, it also lets us know how the beer is being kept in *A Pub*. It also shows us what different real ales are being sold in branch area pubs which have been Beer Scored.



A full explanation, and screenshots, are available on the Plymouth CAMRA website, **National Beer Scoring System - Plymouth CAMRA** (link)

Beer scoring is very easy to do, even when you are enjoying a meal and a pint in the pub, if you have a smart phone or a tablet/iPad.

As can be seen on the left, for a smart phone, start the What Pub App. You will see a Button at the top right of the screen which states "Nearby Pubs". Simply tap the button and you should get a refreshed screen showing the pub that you are currently in.

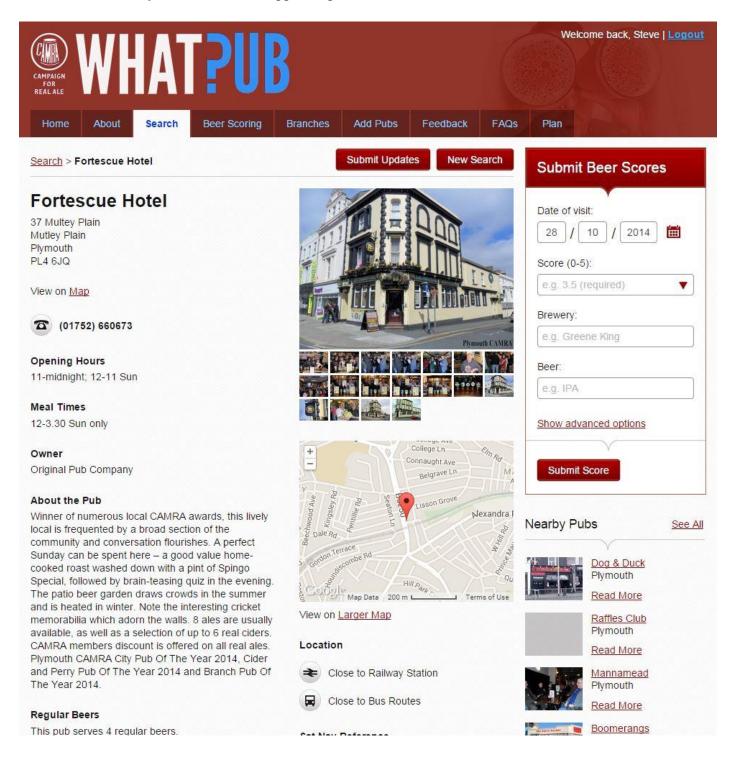
You will need to sign in with your current CAMRA membership number and your password in order to beer score, by tapping on the Login. Enter your number and password.

The screen will be similar to the one shown below on Page 24.

The screenshot shown below on Page 24 is for a laptop/tablets, but it is pretty similar for the smart phone. Once signed in, you can then go ahead and score the beer for the pub you are currently sat down in.

For the example below, for the Fortescue, Mutley Plain, you can tap the Calendar button and add the date. Then you can tap the upturned triangle and select your beer score – please remember that this is NOT whether you like the particular beer, but how it has been kept and served to you.

Next, click/tap in the Brewery box and start typing the name of the brewery and select from the auto fill list. A list of that brewery's beers will then appear – please select from that list.



If the beer you are currently drinking doesn't appear, please check the brewery name. If the brewery is correct, it could well be that the beer you are drinking is a new one, so please select "Advanced Options", where you can then add the name of the beer in the "comments" box.

Once you have finished adding your details, please click/tap "Submit Score" to finish the simple Beer Scoring Process.



The following pub discount information has been received by Plymouth CAMRA and is given in good faith, but is liable to change at short notice. Some discounts may be modified, restricted or withdrawn when special promotions are on offer. List believed to be correct as 12 April 2021.

<b>PUB NAME</b>	ADDRESS	DISCOUNT
Boringdon Arms	13 Boringdon Terrace, Turnchapel PL9 9TQ	10p/pint
Bread 'N' Roses	62 Ebrington Street, City Centre PL4 9AF	10%/pint
Dolphin Hotel	14, The Barbican, PL1 2LS	15p/pint
Fareham Inn	6 Commercial Road, Coxside PL4 0LD	10p/pint
Fisherman's Arms	Lambhay Hill, Barbican, PL1 2NN	15p/pint, 5p/half, 20% food
Fortescue Hotel	Mutley Plain, PL4 6JQ	10% pint & half
Golden Hind	Mannamead Road, PL3 5RJ	10%/pint & half
Horse and Groom	Exeter Road, Bittaford PL21 0EL	10p/pint, 5p/half
Jack Rabbit	7-9 Howeson Road, Derriford PL6 8BD	20p/pint
London Inn*	8, Church Rd, PSM, Plympton PL7 1 NH	See below
Minerva Inn**	31 Looe Street, Plymouth PL4 0EA	See below
Olde Plough	Fore Road, Bere Ferrers PL20 7JG	10%/pint, real ale and cider
Pub On The Hoe	159 Citadel Road, The Hoe PL1 2HU	10%/pint real ale and cider
Sir Joshua Reynolds	25 Ridgeway, Plympton PL7 2AW	10p/pint, 5p/half
Tamar	Morshead Road, Crownhill, PL6 5AD	10%/pint

# Key:

- \* London Inn Grumpy Hour daily deals for all customers.
- \*\* Minerva has a loyalty card (cost £1.00) available Mon Fri 1130 1500 for all customers

The following pubs accept CAMRA member vouchers as part payment for real ales and real ciders

<b>PUB NAME</b>	ADDRESS	DISCOUNT
S Brass Monkey	Royal Parade, City Centre, PL1 1DS	10%/pint & CAMRA vouchers
S Noah's Ark	32A Courtney Street, City Centre PL1 1EP	10%/pint (guest beer only) &
CAMRA vouchers		
S Roundabout	2-4 Drake Circus, City Centre PL4 8AQ	CAMRA vouchers
W Britannia Inn	Milehouse, PL2 3BH	CAMRA vouchers
W Gog And Magog	Southside Street, Barbican, PL1 2LA	CAMRA vouchers
W Mannamead	Mutley Plain, PL4 6JH	CAMRA vouchers
W Queen's Head Hot	tel 80, West Street, Tavistock, PL19 8AQ	CAMRA vouchers
W Stannary Court	Ridgeway, Plympton, PL7 2AW	CAMRA vouchers
W Union Rooms	Union Street, City Centre, PL1 2SU	CAMRA vouchers

# Key:

**S** prefix denotes Stonegate outlets accepting CAMRA Member vouchers – please check the reverse of your voucher to ensure that it is still in date!

**W** prefix denotes JD Wetherspoon outlets accepting CAMRA member vouchers – please check the reverse of your voucher to ensure that it is still in date!



# Where Are They Now No 8





**Leg O'Mutton Inn**, Leg O'Mutton Corner, Yelverton PL20 6AA

The Leg O'Mutton Inn used to be located just round the corner from the main roundabout in Yelverton, on the way towards Tavistock on the left hand side. It was set back off the main road in its' own grounds, and had a very large car park.

We have very few hard facts about this pub, other than, back in the Moor To Sea – A Devon Real Ale guide of 1993 we had the pub listed with a choice of two real ales on handpump, Courage Best Bitter and Courage Directors. The pub also

retained the traditional afternoon and evening sessions in winter and during the week, then opening for what we would consider "the usual 12 all-day permitted hours of today" at weekends and every day in summer.

The pub struggled throughout the noughties but was believed to have closed during 2010, prior to being bought at auction and sold. The pub was demolished around 2013, with new housing being built on the site.



# Join up, join in, join the campaign

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### Beers' Dates of Birth 1 Adnams Broadside 1972 Eggenberg Samiclaus 1979 Alaskan Smoked Porter Exmoor Gold 1988 1976 Anchor Liberty Ale 1975 Fuller's ESB 1971 Fuller's London Pride Bateman's Victory Ale 1987 1959 Brains SA Gold Fuller's vintage Ale 2006 1997 Brooklyn Lager Gale's HSB 1988 1959 Budweiser 1876 Harveys Armada Ale 1988 Budweiser Budvar 1895 Hoegaarden 1966 Hook Norton Old Hookey Caledonian Deuchars IPA 1991 1977 Carlsberg Special Brew Hop Back Summer Lightening, 1950 1988



# Traditional British Beer Styles No 7



# 13. Strong Dark Mild Ales, ABV 4.1% and above

As a medium-gravity beer, sessionable but well-built, dark mild ales are the perfect accompaniment to a hearty lunch. *Pleasingly mellow*.

In true English beer-naming fashion, mild is an understated style. With a medium ABV, but still flavourful and solid, this beer becomes the perfect choice for many occasions. This mellow, almost flat ruby/dark-coloured brew is a chameleon of style. It is said that "if the brewer calls it mild – then, by Jove, it is!". Generally speaking, hops are on the light side and malts are prevalent, bringing roasty chocolatey notes. The best of the dark mild family are lower in alcohol, but still flavourful, rich and interesting beers.

### Three examples of this style:

*Orkney Brewery Dark Island ABV 4.6%* – a sweetish roast chocolate malt taste leads to a long-lasting roasted, slightly bitter, dry finish. Winner of many awards.

Sarah Hughes Brewery Dark Ruby Mild ABV 6.0% – a dark ruby strong ale with a good balance of fruit and hops, leading to a pleasant, lingering hops and malt finish.

*Tintagel Brewery Poldark Ale ABV 4.5%* – brown strong mild with malt aroma. Assertive malty flavour with stone fruits, dates, sweet caramel, smokiness and a citrus edge.

# 14. English Porters, ABV 4.0% and above

The original choice of London's market and dock workers was a blend of three beers. The style has changed constantly since its advent and remains ambiguous even today. *A varied style*.

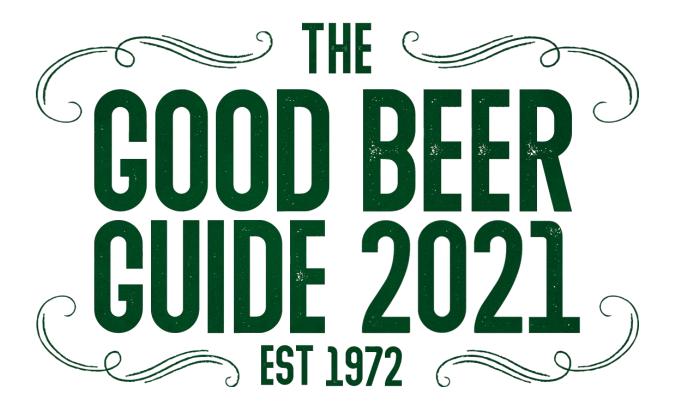
From a light-chestnut to a black-edged deep brown, English porters have a vast and varied style guideline. Generally, less full-bodied than a stout, some push even this boundary. Typically, an off-white head may approach tan, and generally has decent weight and retention. The texture is soft and smooth, with just enough carbonation to leave a dry, malty, bready finish. In many examples, there are caramel, toffee, chocolate, and light coffee notes — all blended eloquently with the malt core. With its reasonably light alcohol content, this is a perfect partner for hearty dinners of grilled and roasted meat.

# Three examples of this style:

*Elland Brewery 1872 Porter ABV 4.6%* – a sweetish roast chocolate malt taste leads to a long-lasting roasted, slightly bitter, dry finish. Winner of many awards.

**Summerskills Brewery Plymouth Porter ABV 5.0%** – strong sweet chocolate aroma, flavours of chocolate and toffee. The aftertaste dies off quickly but this is a nice drinkable sweet Porter.

*Tintagel Brewery Poldark Ale ABV 4.5%* – brown strong mild with malt aroma. Assertive malty flavour with stone fruits, dates, sweet caramel, smokiness and a citrus edge.





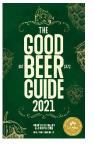
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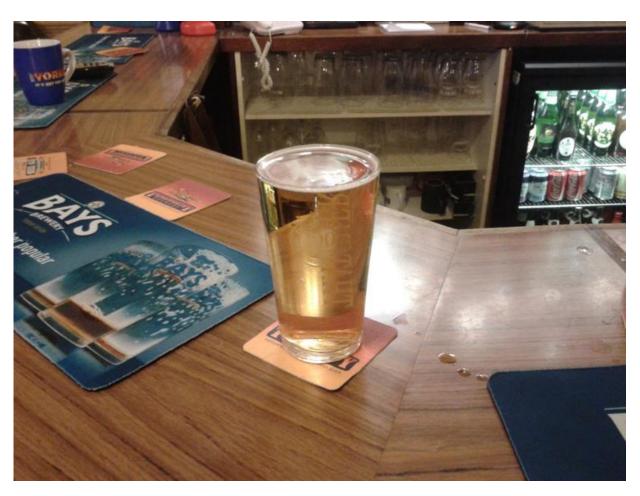
# A Pint Of The Usual, Please!



Sadly, at the time of writing, pubs were still closed when I compiled this whilst we are in the third Lockdown. The Prime Minister's Roadmap outlines plans for us to come out of Lockdown, hopefully the final Lockdown. BUT there are a number of caveats for this to happen, and nothing is set in concrete.

The earliest date that we can look forward to is Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 (**ie today!!!**), when pubs, restaurants and other hospitality venues with gardens or other outside trading area can reopen. There is no longer a requirement for customers to purchase food with alcohol. We can still order beer and cider for delivery direct from brewers and cider producers – please see the Pulling Together website (details on Page 13).

If all goes well, pubs and restaurants will be permitted to seat customers indoors from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021.



If you do go to the pub, please remember to be polite to all the staff and be courteous to them – it is not their fault that things have changed! Please also remember to comply with the latest Government guidelines in force, and to wash your hands often. But please

Stay Safe!