



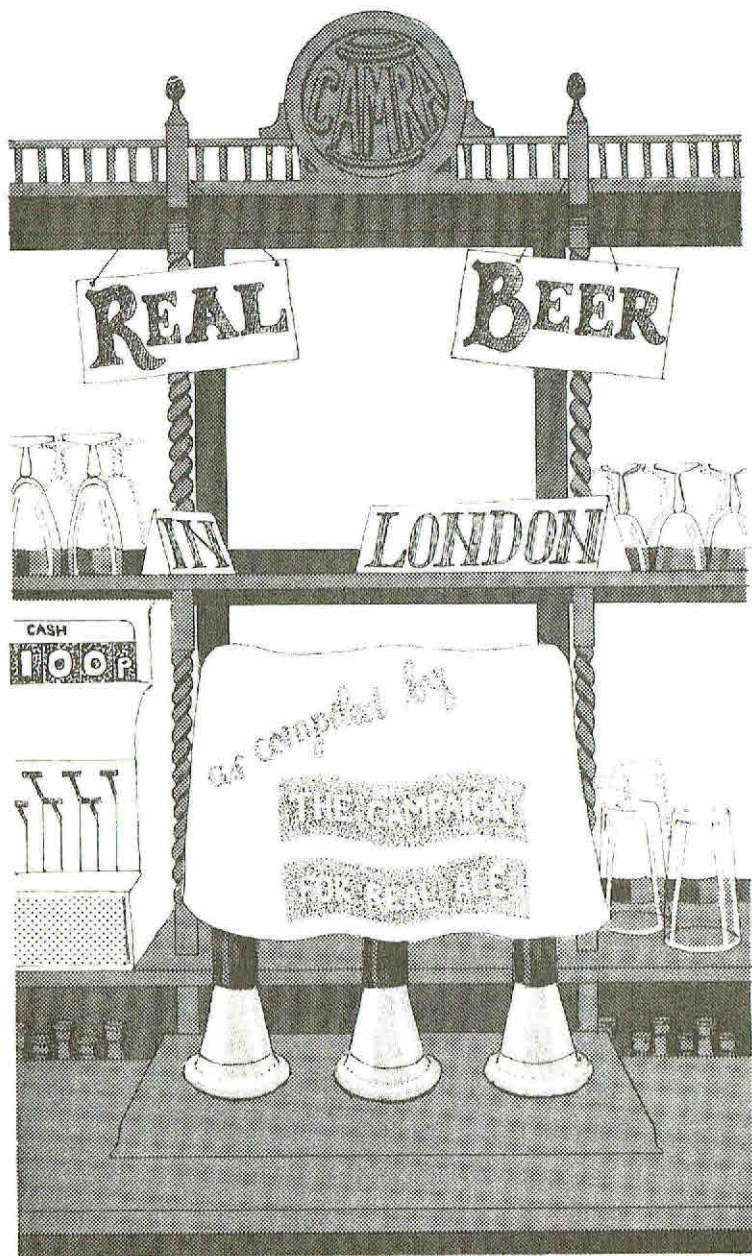
YOUR GUIDE TO 1600 PUBS AND 66 BEERS

LONDON MAY NOW OFFER THE REAL BEER DRINKER A BETTER CHOICE THAN FOR MANY YEARS, BUT THREE QUARTERS OF LONDON'S PUBS STILL SELL ONLY PRESSURISED OR PROCESSED BEERS.

MANY AREAS OF LONDON HAVE VERY FEW PUBS OF ANY SORT - LET ALONE ONES WITH REAL BEER - AND FINDING PUBS IN THESE AREAS REQUIRES SOME PSYCHIC POWERS OR LUCK.

REAL BEER IN LONDON REMOVES THIS ELEMENT OF CHANCE AND DIRECTS YOU TO THE BEST OF LONDON'S BEER, BEER WHICH IS NATURALLY CONDITIONED AND SERVED WITHOUT ANY GAS PRESSURE:-

BEER WHICH STILL TASTES LIKE BEER





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CAMRA coined the term 'Real Ale' to describe beer brewed from traditional ingredients-malted barley hops and yeast-kept in casks which allow it to continue 'working' in the pub cellar and dispensed by any method that does not involve the beer being kept in contact with carbon dioxide.



AREAS

For the purpose of this guide London has been divided into seven areas – CENTRAL LONDON, EAST, NORTH, NORTH WEST, SOUTH EAST, SOUTH WEST and WEST. The boundaries of these areas and the postal districts within each area are illustrated on the centre page map.

Under each postal district the pubs are arranged alphabetically with the entry giving the address, details of the beer sold and the facilities offered.

HOURS

The times shown after the area names are the normal Monday to Saturday hours but all pubs can open until 11 pm Friday and Saturday. Opening hours on Sunday are normally 12 noon to 2 pm and 7 pm to 10.30 pm.

Where an individual pub's hours are known to differ from this it will be mentioned in the entry for that pub. It may be worth noting however, that several pubs delay Saturday evening opening and that some, particularly in Central London, do not open at all at the weekend.

BEERS SOLD

The means of serving is given – Handpump, Electric pump, Gravity – more information about the beers will be found in the section on Brewers on pages 8 to 13.

MAPS

In some cases the pub name will be followed by a number; this number indicates the location of the pub on an adjacent map of the area.

For areas not covered by such maps a good London street guide will prove invaluable for finding the pubs.

Sutton

10.30-2.30, 5.30-10.30

Cricketers

344 High Street
Ind Coops: Bitter, Burton (H)
 Large saloon bar and newly revamped public bar with interesting views through the ceiling joists

PGX

← Locality

← Permitted opening hours

← Pub name

← Pub number (where applicable)

← Beers sold and dispense

← Comments

← Facilities

FACILITIES

Symbols are used to indicate the facilities offered and in some cases a brief description of the facilities or the pub will be given.

P PUBLIC BAR

G GAMES

Usually darts, pool or bar billiards, but can be anything including a skittle alley. There will be a note in the comments for the more unusual games.

7 LIVE MUSIC

Anything from a live group to an occasional pianist and also includes a disco which has a live DJ.

A mention will be made in the comments of the type and the frequency of the music to be found.

♣ OUTDOOR DRINKING AREA

Garden or other outdoor drinking area but not a few chairs on the pavement alongside the road.

X MEALS

Cooked meals broadly envisaged as something and two veg or a substantial salad. We have not included snacks or pies and pizzas served alone. Where this symbol is used the facility is known to be available at lunchtime on weekdays.

Practically all pubs provide some form of snacks at lunchtime.

Restr RESTAURANT

Used for pubs which have a separate restaurant area. (We have not included restaurants which may serve beer.)

Acc ACCOMMODATION

We have tried to give a comment to indicate whether you should expect two rooms above the bar or a four star hotel.

The telephone number will be given for pubs offering a restaurant or accommodation.

The inclusion of a symbol for a facility does not guarantee its availability, only that it is usually available. Facilities offered by a pub may have changed since it was inspected.



What is CAMRA?

The origins of CAMRA date from 1971 when a group of beer drinkers, fed up with the fizzy, bland beers which most brewers were keen to promote, formed the Campaign for the Revitalisation of Ale.

A disturbing picture emerged—close on 80% of all the beer brewed in this country came from six giant brewing outfits.

Not only was there a trend for these brewers to inflict their own ideas about beer, based on the profit motive, on the public, but the independent brewers who offered the only alternative were fast being taken over and absorbed into what one day might have been a vast beer machine producing beer to please share holders and not drinkers.

It soon became apparent that the founders of CAMRA were not alone and the fight for better beer caught the imagination of thousands. The Campaign for the Revitalisation of Ale became the Campaign for Real Ale and flourished. Since those early days CAMRA has adhered to its objectives and a look at today's brewing scene demonstrates its effectiveness.

Apart from a small full time staff to administer the every day running and produce the publications, CAMRA is run entirely by volunteers and is dependent on subscriptions to protect and promote real beer.

CAMRA is headed by a National Executive which is voted into office by the members at the Annual General Meeting.

Under the Executive comes a system of Regional and Area officers culminating in the branches of which there are 140 spread across the country. It is from these branches that the ideas and policies emerge and it is the branches who are involved in campaigning at local level, organising events and promoting CAMRA and real beer in their localities.

CAMRA is not sponsored by any brewery and neither does any brewery belong to CAMRA. However individuals in most breweries who share the Campaign's views are members.

What does it do?

CAMRA tries to increase public awareness through such means as publications and beer exhibitions, and seeks to influence the brewing industry itself by making responsible and intelligent representations to the industry's bosses and the nation's legislators.

The Campaign is now accepted as one of Britain's foremost consumer and conservation bodies. Its views on a wide range of subjects connected with the brewing industry and the licensed trade are listened to seriously by the industry itself and by the Government. CAMRA's growing concern with a whole range of legal and technical issues with pricing policies, brewing technology, monopolies, the licensing laws and consumer protection reflect a mountain of effort by unpaid individuals.

Thriving small independent breweries brewing real beer and the trend amongst larger brewers to produce real beers bear witness to CAMRA's success.

The Campaign though is only the mouthpiece for millions of drinkers but if CAMRA can have this effect on brewers and the beer you drink, should you not have a voice in deciding its actions?

What's in it for me?

Membership of CAMRA costs £4 a year or £5 for husband and wife and that is roughly the equivalent of one pint of beer per month. It could therefore be considered an investment which will help ensure that the beer you prefer to drink will still be there for you in years to come.

More immediately you receive a membership handbook which tells you all about CAMRA and the brewing and serving of beer. Every full member receives monthly a copy of 'What's Brewing' which covers the major issues affecting the brewery industry giving details of and the stories behind the activities of both large and small breweries. Besides the more serious issues it also takes a look at the more light hearted stories as well as following the activities of Keg Buster.

