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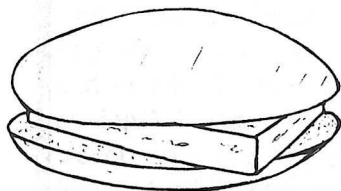
by Des Nogalski, Chairman of the Beer Festival Organisation Committee

On behalf of the Greater Manchester branches of CAMRA I'd like to welcome you all to the 3rd *Great North Western Beer Festival*. This year the festival is the biggest and best ever, with around 150 real ales and ciders from almost 100 producers, large and small, ranging from farmhouse breweries and brewpubs to the large megabreweries.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the CAMRA members who have given up so much of their free time to make this festival a success; Anne Mack-Smith, Steve

Gannon and the staff at *Bolton Sports & Exhibition Centre* for their patience; the licencees of the *York Hotel*, *George and Dog & Partridge*, Bolton, the *Beer House* and *Castle* in Manchester, the *Crescent*, Salford, and the *Queens Arms*, Patricroft for their hospitality during the seven months it took to plan it all; to GM Buses for their sponsorship and to all our advertisers and stallholders. Please support them.

Finally, thanks to you, the punters, for turning up and helping us to shift all this beer!



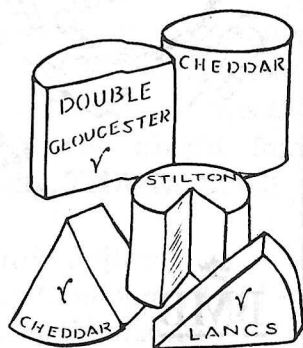
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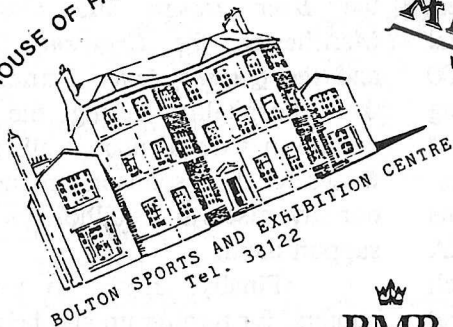
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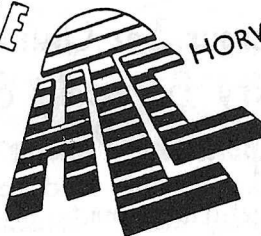
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FOREWORD

by Andy Cooper, Regional Director, Greater Manchester CAMRA

Welcome to the Great North Western Beer Festival. This is a time of rapid changes in the brewing industry; changes which will dramatically affect most - if not all - pub goers, and thus most of you reading this programme.

In the last two or three years, drinkers in Greater Manchester and the North West have seen many changes. The desire to cut costs at any consequence has led to the closure of a number of historic breweries in the area, including such landmarks as Chesters, Wilsons and Oldham breweries, together with the Carlisle and Workington breweries of Matthew Brown/Theakstons. Who can say where is next for the chop - be it Matthew Brown at Blackburn, Higsons in Liverpool or even Boddingtons!

The drinker's lot has therefore become increasingly difficult - with changes in beers, increased prices, and the tarding up of once fine, traditional pubs, with one goal in mind - the profits of the Big Seven national breweries - and some of the smaller ones too.

The one bright spot on the horizon has been the recommendations from the Monopolies and Mergers Commission report on the tied house.

They have clearly taken note of CAMRA's concerns and the proposals to reduce the monopoly powers of the big brewers is to be welcomed.

However, drinkers and pubgoers still need to be vigilant. The new regime may also open up opportunities

for the American and Australian mega-breweries and property developer interests, if brewing and pub-owning activities are split.

So, amidst all these rapid changes, CAMRA soldiers on - attempting to protect the lot of drinkers everywhere by promoting choice and competition amongst breweries. At the festival you will have the opportunity to sample a wide variety of beers at fair prices - come on Big Seven, when are you going to do the same?

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Funnily enough, we agree. The Bavarians - and nobody takes beer more seriously than they do - can go out to their local, order "*ein helles*" (a light beer) or "*ein dunkles*" (a dark beer) and relax in the knowledge that their beer - whose precise brand name they might not even know - will be pure, satisfying, and - by law - brewed only from traditional ingredients. If only things were that simple here!

British beer has been the plaything of big-money corporations for a generation. Not surprisingly, quality and choice suffered. Also not surprisingly, the drinkers eventually fought back. And CAMRA is, no more and no less, the organisation that helps you do that.

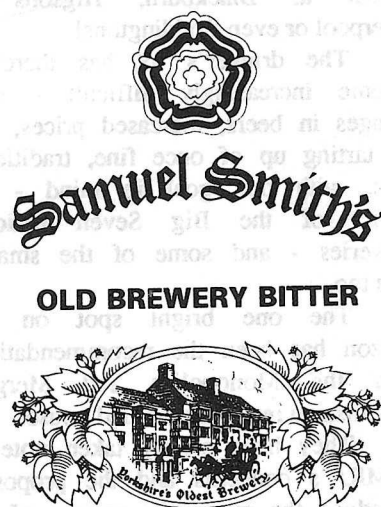
So there's no such thing as a typical CAMRA member. If you drink in the North West (or anywhere else in the country), one of us certainly knows your local, is probably a regular there, and may even run the place (we have many licensees amongst our members). We include militant atheists and regular churchgoers; we span the political spectrum from card-carrying Communists to drier-than-dry Tories; a mental trawl of my CAMRA acquaintances produces almost with-

out thinking about it, students, postmen, the unemployed, chartered accountants, and a dozen occupations beside.

In fact, there's only one thing that unites us. We believe that your beer, your pub are worth not just passively enjoying but fighting for. If you feel the same way, come along to the CAMRA stall and join what is not just the best drinking club in Britain - but the **ONLY** one dedicated to ensuring that something worth drinking, and somewhere worth drinking it in, endure into the next century.

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Welcome to the Great North Western Mild Festival

At the Great North Western Beer Festival you will be able to sample the largest selection of traditional mild beers ever assembled in the area. I hope that you will all try some of them. Although we have a good choice of local cask conditioned milds in the North West (unlike the North East, Kent, London and large chunks of Scotland) we have deliberately brought in those not normally available in the area. They come from as far apart as Cornwall and East Lothian, South Wales and East Anglia.

What we know as "Mild" in the North West is called "Light" in the North East, "60/-" in Scotland and "Dark" in South Wales. These beers range in colour from almost black to light straw coloured ales. They usually have lower original gravities than bitters, porters and old ales but this does not mean they are any less flavoursome. Many of them are in fact stronger than the British lagers, which are given foreign-sounding names to make them seem worth the premium prices.

Unfortunately Mild still has a cloth cap image. This is largely due to the brewers, particularly the large national combines, who do not promote Mild because they make far more profit from bland, national brand bitters, keg beer and lagers. Greenall Whitley, for example, last year closed Wem brewery and discontinued the local Shropshire Mild and Pale Ale. What hope would the future have held for Home & Matthew Brown Milds if Scottish and Newcastle had fallen into the hands of the Australian lager giant Elders IXL with their multi-million campaign to Fosterise the world?

I believe that real Mild is a quality product which should be enjoyed for its own merits. I always make a point of asking for traditional Mild and I have lost count of the number of times the reply has been "Oh, there's no demand for it."

Ask for this most traditional ale in your local. Remember it's our choice:

Booze It Or Lose It!

Cheers, *Andy Pringle*
CAMRA Mild Marketing Board.

Regional Brewers for REAL ALE!

Whether you are an "old hand" at beer festivals or this is your first visit, you are sure to find a beer to suit your taste among the large selection available. Looking at the names of all the companies who are represented here, it seems hard to believe that the number of breweries in Britain is declining, and that in many areas of the country it is only the new "micro-breweries" who provide genuinely local beers to contrast with the blander products of large brewing combines, which are often transported considerable distances. Even worse, the competition for good regional beers may consist largely of poor copies of foreign beer styles which are not part of our brewing heritage.

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One of the key factors leading to the decline in the number of regional breweries is the financial muscle of the large combines. A typical ploy is for a large group to buy up shares in regional breweries by making offers "too good to refuse", taking over the company, maintaining its local brewery for a settling in period, increasing the exposure of the parent company's name and logo in the former regional's pub, and finally closing the taken-over brewery, concentrating on brewing on their own site. Thus, the larger company increases its tied estate of pubs (and hence outlets for its own beer) and unique local beers are lost.

The free trade is another area in which the large firms dominate. Whereas the regional firms have only the quality of their beers as a selling point, the large firms can offer financial inducements, such as cheap loans to licensees in return for selling their beer. The report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission which was published three weeks ago suggested a number of radical reforms, including the outlawing of these "loan ties", a reduction in the number of pubs the largest brewers may control and allowing all tied houses to carry guest beers. If implemented (the decision lies with Lord Young) these reforms will have far-reaching consequences.

We are fortunate in the North West to have a good number of well-established regional breweries, continuing to produce a variety of beer styles. To take Greater Manchester as an example, there are 5 local breweries: Boddingtons, Holts, Hydes, Lees & Robinsons, producing a total of 18 different beers, each with its own distinct character. Although these beers are produced within a few miles of each other, even the most inexperienced drinker could not fail to distinguish between, say, the fruity hoppiness of Robinsons Best Bitter and the clean, sharp tang of Lees Bitter. All these breweries produce at least one

mild and, again, the difference in flavour can be an eye opener to those who regard mild as a rather inferior brew. Strong winter ales from Hydes, Lees and Robinsons complete the line up of styles.

As you sup your beer at the festival today, remember that the price of maintaining a good choice of traditional, regional beers is vigilance by CAMRA and other concerned drinkers against threats of take-over and closure, and support for local breweries in the best possible way - by drinking their fine products!

Graham Chinn

Chairman, Rochdale, Oldham & Bury Branch

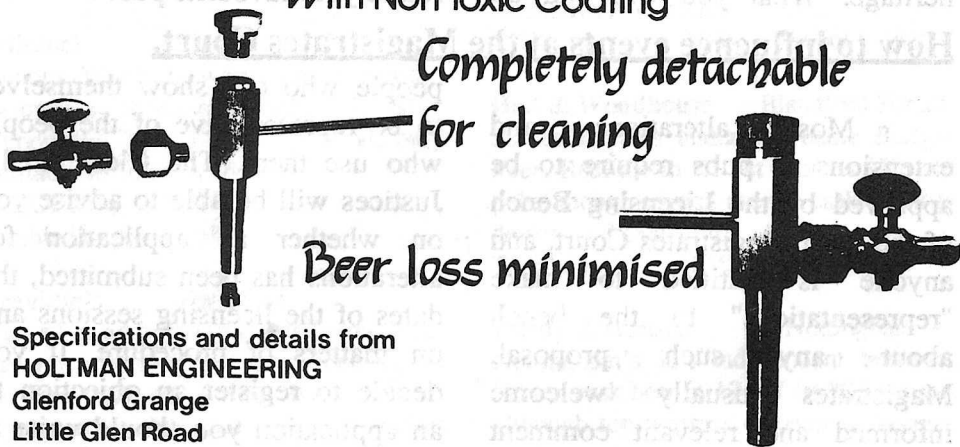
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with is a refurbished pub created by a committee of market researchers, merchandisers and interior design consultants.

Sometimes, if you are lucky, the result might not be so bad. If the owner is a small, independent brewery which has some pride in its estate. Also the influence of a long-serving tenant can help to counterbalance the crass schemes of the big brewers.

If you feel that our pub heritage has already been irretrievably damaged, that we should draw the line here, take on the breweries and resist their awful schemes then the following notes on pub campaigning may be of some help when they come sniffing round your favourite pub.

How to influence events at the Magistrates Court.

Most alterations and extensions to pubs require to be approved by the Licensing Bench of the local Magistrates Court, and anyone is entitled to make "representations" to the bench about any such proposal. Magistrates usually welcome informed and relevant comment from members of the public about pubs, particularly comment from

people who can show themselves to be representative of the people who use them. The Clerk to the Justices will be able to advise you on whether an application for alterations has been submitted, the dates of the licensing sessions and on matters of procedure. If you decide to register an objection to an application you should write at least two weeks in advance to make known your objections.

Magistrates in the West Midlands, Northamptonshire and Sussex have opposed plans to alter pubs which involved the elimination of the public bar. Magistrates in Worcestershire

threw out plans to convert a village local into a Beefeater Steak House. In each of these cases the result might have been different had local people not come to court to oppose the schemes.

How to take advantage of the planning system.

The first consideration is whether the pub is listed as a building of special architectural or historical merit. Most local authority planning departments have a Conservation Officer who can advise you whether a pub is listed or not. Generally speaking, the older the building and the less it has been altered, the greater the chances that it will be listed, but historical associations, architectural qualities and unique features are also of importance. Once listed, a building cannot be demolished or altered in any way which significantly affects its character without first obtaining consent from the local planning authority.

Apart from the listing procedure, the planning system offers little succour to pub campaigners. There is always a presumption in favour of allowing applications for development. Apart from inappropriate development in a Green Belt, a planning

application is not required to prove the case for development; rather it is for the local planning authority to demonstrate why it cannot be permitted.

Environmental factors may be the best line of attack: the scale of the development relative to the site and neighbourhood; adequacy of car parking, congestion and nuisance from traffic and noise and disturbance to residents.

Contacting the planning officer concerned with the project, visiting the Town Hall and looking at the plans and talking to the planners about possible objections is often useful in helping to formulate a case. The Town Hall can also supply lists of local councillors together with those on the planning committee. Whilst it should be remembered that magistrates must never be lobbied, councillors can be, and early contact can help to establish how the land lies.

How to get other people on your side.

Publicity is important. It bolsters the spirits of those who are already committed to the campaign and it also raises awareness and helps to involve other people. In addition to the Press and the local media, other useful contacts are councillors, planners, the clerk to the licensing magistrates, the local MP, the Licensed Victuallers Association, local civic or amenity bodies, residents associations and school governors.

Information about the history of the pub, previous licensees, the history of the village or town and other pubs with similar alterations in other districts is useful to enable you to present a cogent case and to keep the media fed with new information. Also, what other pubs and restaurants are

there in the district? Do they have a public bar? How do people get to the pub? Is it on a bus route? What alternatives are there, and how would people get there? What beers are on sale in other outlets and at what price are they sold? With information like this at your fingertips you are in a much better position both with the press and at court and committee meetings.

These notes provide a brief outline of how you can protect your pub. If you need further information on any of this or if you would like to be put in touch with your local CAMRA Pub Preservation Officer and others who have had experience of fighting a pub campaign, then please contact:

***Roger Hall, Pub Preservation
Officer for Greater Manchester***

061 736 3065 (daytime)

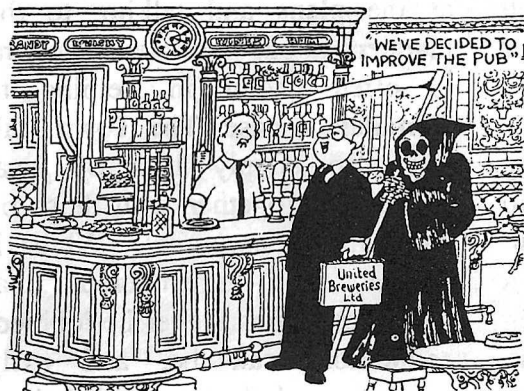
***Sean Murphy, Chairman of the
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Fri Lunch *Banjo Man & Friends*

Fri Eve *The Eagley Band*

Sat Lunch *Barbers Shop Chorus*

Sat Eve *French Quarter*

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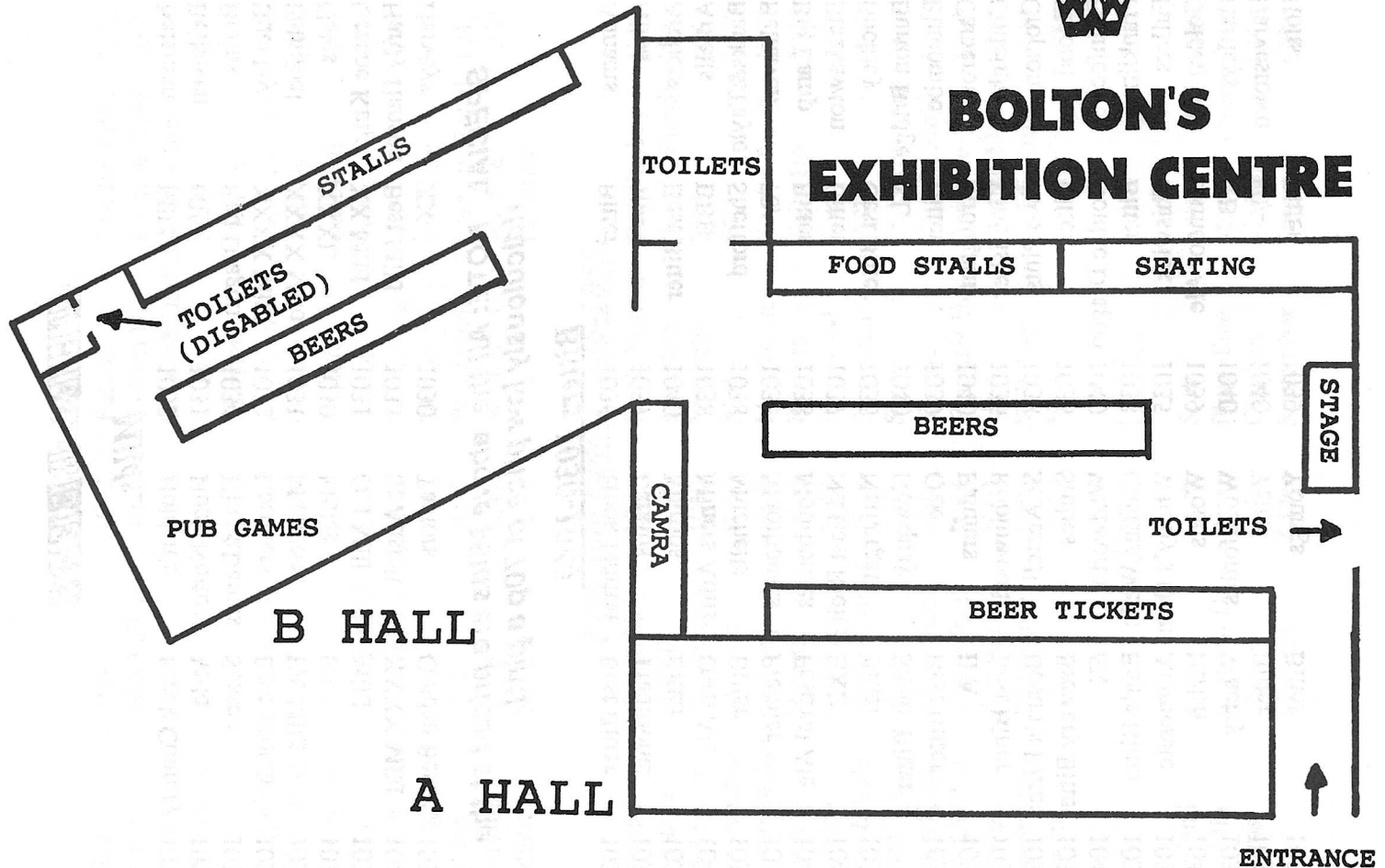
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THE BEERS

Milds

Bateman	Mild	1033	Holden's	Black Country	1038
Belhaven	60/-	1031	Hook Norton	Mild	1032
Brains	Red Dragon	1034	King&Barnes	Sussex	1034
Buckley	XXXX Mild	1032	Lorimers	Best Scotch	1036
Felinfoel	XXXX Mild	1031	Mauldons	FA Mild	1034
Gales	XXXL	1030	Moles	PA	1035
Greene King	XX Mild	1031	Old Mill	Mild	1034
Hardy Hanson	Best Mild	1035	St Austell	XXXX Mild	1041
Harveys	XX	1030	Taylors	Golden Best	1033

SPECIAL NOTE: All the above Milds are priced at the ridiculously low price of 70p a pint!

Bitters 1030-1040

Adnams	Bitter	1036	Hook Norton	Best Bitter	1036
Alloa	70/-	1037	Larkins	Traditional	1035
Archers	Best Bitter	1040	Martins	Bitter	1035
Arkells	BBB	1038	Miners Arms	Own Ale	1040
Banks&Taylor	Shefford	1038	Mitchells	Bitter	1036
Belhaven	70/-	1035	Moorhouses	Premier	1036
Big Lamp	Bitter	1038	Moorhouses	Festival Ale	1040
Blackawton	Bitter	1037	N&East Riding	EXB	1040
Buckley	Cest Bitter	1036	Nethergate	Bitter	1039
Burton Bridge	XL	1040	Newquay	Steam Bitter	
Butcombe	Bitter	1039	Oak	Best Bitter	1038
Camerons	Strongarm	1040	Palmers	IPA	1039
Cotleigh	Kingfisher	1036	Robinwood	Best Bitter	1036
Cropton	Two Pints	1038	St Austell	Bosun's Bitter	1038
Elgood	Bitter	1036	Smiles	Brewery Bitter	1037
Felinfoel	Double Dragon	1040	Wadworth	6X	1040
Franklins	Bitter	1038	Charles Wells	Eagle Bitter	1035
Fullers	Chiswick	1035	Whitby's Own	Ammonite	1038
Golden Hill	Exmoor Ale	1039	Woods	Parish	1040
Hartleys	XB	1040	Woodfordes	Wherry	1039
Harvestown	80/-	1040	Yates	Bitter	1035
Holts	Bitter	1039	Youngs	Bitter	1036

Best Bitters 1041-1045

Alloa	80/-	1042	Fullers	London Pride	1041
Barron	Exe Valley	1043	Golden Hill	Exmoor Gold	1045
Bathams	Bitter	1043	Hoskin&Oldf'd	Kelly's Stout	1046
Blackawton	44	1044	Linfitt	Stout	1041
Brains	SA	1042	Marstons	Pedigree	1043
Broughton	Merlin's Ale	1044	Marstons	Merrie Monk	1043
Burton Bridge	Porter	1045	Old Mill	Bullion	1044
Caledonian	80/-	1043	Taylors	Landlord	1042
Clarks	Burglar Bill	1044	Taylors	Porter	1043
Cornish	Wessex Royal	1042	Theakstons	XB	1044
Eldridge Pope	IPA	1041	Titanic	Premium	1042
Elgood	GSB	1045	Whitbread	Pompey Royal	1043
Everards	Tiger	1041	Whitby's Own	Wobble	1045
Federation	Special	1041	Yates	Premium	

Premium Bitters 1046-1055

Adnams	Broadside	1049	Hook Norton	Old Hookey	1049
Batemans	XXXB	1048	Mauldon	Suffolk Punch	1050
Blackawton	Headstrong	1049	Mitchells	ESB	1050
Blue Anchor	Medium	1050	Moles	97	1050
Burton Bridge	Festival	1055	Moorhouses	Pendle Witch	1050
Clarks	Hammerhead	1050	Palmers	Tally Ho	1046
Cotleigh	Old Buzzard	1048	Ringwood	49er	1048
Crouch Vale	Heroes Porter	1048	St Austell	HSD	1053
Gales	HSB	1051	Stocks	Old Horizontal	1054
Green King	Abbot Ale	1048	Titanic	Captain Smith	1050
Hall&W'hse	Tanglefoot	1048	Traquair House	Bear Ale	1050
Harveys	Armada	1050	Vaux	Double Maxim	1054
Harviestown	Old Manor	1050	Wiltshire	Old Grumble	1049
Holdens	SB	1050	Woods	Wonderful	1050

Perry and Cider

Hartland	Dry	Perry	Stott	Sweet	Cider
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Lee	Medium	Cider	September	Dry	Cider

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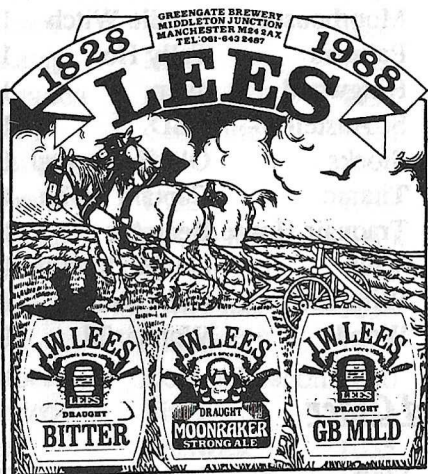
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Blue Anchor	Extra Special	1070	Robinwood	Old Fart	1060
Broughton	Old Jock	1070	St Austell	Cripple Dick	1104
Crouch Vale	Willie Warmer	1060	Theakstons	Old Peculier	1056
Sarah Hughes	Dark Ruby	1058	Traquair House	House Ale	1075
Marstons	Owd Roger	1080	Woodfordes	Headcracker	1069
Oak	Wobbly Bob	1060			

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Wirral	Peter Day	061 639 1839

THE BREWERS

This year's Great North Western Beer Festival has around 130 beers, ciders and perrys from almost 100 producers, and is easily the biggest range ever assembled in the North West. The following list of the brewers and their beers was correct at the time of going to press, although there will inevitably be last minute cancellations or changes.

Adnam's Southwold, Suffolk
Famous east Anglian brewery. Real ale in all 65 pubs and almost 2,000 free trade accounts. Launched *Broadside* in 1988.
Bitter 1036 Broadside 1049

Alloa Alloa, Scotland
Scottish arm of Allied Breweries (who also own Tetley). Poor real ale record, with just 90 out of 400 houses selling the real thing.
Arrol's 70/- 1037 80/- 1042

Archer's Swindon
Small brewery set up in 1979. Serves 100 free trade outlets, mainly in the west country, together with 3 tied outlets.
Best Bitter 1040
Headbanger 1065

Arkell's Swindon
The older of Swindon's two breweries, having been established in 1843. Still a family concern, with real ale in 59 of its 68 tied houses. Has expanded into the free trade in London and Thames Valley area.
BBB 1038

Banks & Taylor Shefford, Beds
Making its debut here, this brewery began in 1982 and now serves 12 tied houses and around 40 free trade outlets.
Shefford Bitter 1038

Barron Silverton, Devon
Farm brewery set up in 1984. Supplies outlets in and around Exeter.
Exe Valley Bitter 1042

Bateman's Wainfleet, nr Skegness
Award winning brewery which, in 1987, won a hard fought battle to remain independent.

Mild 1033
XXXB 1048

Batham's Brierly Hill W Midlands
Family concern set up in 1877 and still brewing for 8 tied houses plus free trade.
Bitter 1043

Belhaven Dunbar, East Lothian
Scotland's oldest independent brewery, best known for its regular appearance on the financial pages. Serves real ale in about 30 of its 40 pubs and about a third of its 600 free trade outlets.
60/- 1031 70/- 1035

Big Lamp Newcastle
The longest established real ale brewery in the North East, despite only having been formed in 1982. Serves 2 tied houses plus a number of free trade outlets.
Bitter 1038

Blackawton Totnes, Devon
Founded in 1977 and now the oldest in Devon. Serves 75 free trade outlets.
Bitter 1037 44 1044
Headstrong 1049

Blue Anchor Helston, Cornwall
One of Britain's oldest established home-brew pubs, serving justly famous beers
Medium 1050 Extra Special 1070

Brains Cardiff
Independent brewer established in 1713 and selling real ale in all its 128 pubs. Mild was runner-up in last year's Beer Festival awards
Red Dragon Mild 1034 SA 1042

Broughton Broughton, Peeblesshire
Set up in 1980 by former S&N executive. Supplies over 200 outlets in Scotland.
Merlin's Ale 1044 Old Jock 1070

Buckley Llanelli
The oldest brewery in Wales, dating back to 1767. Now owned by Harp, after a brief flirtation with Peter Clowes and Guy Von Cramer. Cask beer in most of its 130 pubs.
XXXX 1032 Best Bitter 1036

Burton Bridge Burton-On-Trent
Established in 1982, now serves one tied house and 200 free trade outlets.
XL Bitter 1040 Porter 1045
Festival Ale 1055

Butcombe Butcombe, Avon
One of the most successful new breweries which recently celebrated 10 years in the business. Extensive free trade in the West Country, plus three tied houses.
Bitter 1039

Caledonian Edinburgh
Formerly *Lorimer & Clark*; the brewery was closed by owners *Vaux* in May 1987 and subsequently sold to a management team, who renamed it.
70/- 1036 80/- 1043

Cameron Hartlepool
Narrowly escaped capture by S&N in 1984, but recently acquired by Brent Walker. Have expanded southwards in recent years with the purchase of 78 pubs in Humberside and 32 in Lincolnshire.
Strongarm 1040

Clark's Wakefield
Drinks wholesale company which recommenced brewing in 1982. 3 tied houses and 27 free trade outlets.
Burglar Bill 1044
Hammerhead 1050

Cornish Redruth
A subsidiary of *Devenish* under whose name most of the 380 pubs sell the beers.
Wessex Royal 1042
Newquay Steam

Cotleigh Wiveliscombe
Begun in Devon in 1979, but moved to purpose-built premises in Somerset in 1985. Serves 75 free trade outlets. Their beermats have won praise from collectors!
Kingfisher Ale 1036
Old Buzzard 1048

Cropton Pickering, N Yorkshire
Formerly a home-brew pub, the *New Inn*, which was expanded in 1987 to supply the free trade.
Two Pints 1038

Crouch Vale Chelmsford, Essex
Begun in 1981 by CAMRA enthusiasts. Supplies one tied house and 65-70 free trade outlets in Essex and Greater London.
Heroe's Porter 1048
Willie Warmer 1060

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Eldridge Pope Dorchester

180 pubs, mainly in the West Country, although most serve beers using a device known as a "caskbreather".

IPA 1041

Elgood Wisbech, Cambs

Small Fenland brewery tucked away near the Wash. Real ale in 30 of its 54 tied houses.

Bitter 1036

GSB 1045

Everards Burton-On-Trent

Small family-owned brewery with real ale in 98 of its 138 tied houses. Tiger is brewed at Everards' old brewery, now the Heritage brewery, at Burton, although the company has a plant at Leicester.

Tiger 1041

Federation Dunston, Tyne & Wear

Co-operative brewery founded in 1919 to supply the clubs that own it. Keg only until 1986 when it resumed brewing cask-conditioned beer.

Special 1041

Felinfoel Llanelli

Famous Welsh brewery, whose name - contrary to common belief - is NOT pronounced "Feelin' Fowl". Real ale only available in 30 of its 76 pubs.

XXXX Mild 1031

Double Dragon 1040

Franklin's Harrogate

Tucked away behind the *Gardeners Arms*, this microbrewery has been brewing for the free trade since 1980. Now serves 3 permanent outlets and 25 guest outlets (though the *Gardeners* isn't one of them).

Bitter 1038

Fuller's Chiswick, London W4

One of the two London breweries to survive the takeover mania. A regular award winner at CAMRA's *Great British Beer Festival* [Leeds, next August]. Real Ale in 136 of their 145 tied houses.

Chiswick Bitter 1035

London Pride 1041

Gale's Horndean, Portsmouth

Hampshire independent with real ale in all of its 92 pubs, plus extensive free trade.

XXXL 1030 HSB 1051

Golden Hill Wiveliscombe

Win the *Best Bitter* award at the GBBF in 1980, just a few months after starting up. Serves over 100 free trade outlets in the South West and is beginning to make inroads to the south.

Exmoor Ale 1039

Exmoor Gold 1045

Greene King Bury St Edmunds

Regional brewer which seems in perpetual fear of takeover. Real ale in half of its 770 pubs; rest use top pressure. Famed for its distinctive *Abbot Ale*.

XX Mild 1031 Abbot 1048

Hall & Woodhouse Blandford Forum

Serves its ales under the name *Badger Beer*. Real ale in all but 4 of its 150-odd pubs, though several use the cask breather device on *Tanglefoot*.

Tanglefoot 1048

Hardy & Hanson Nottingham

Nottingham's last independent brewery. Serves cask beer in 174 of its 205 houses, although top pressure dispense is becoming increasingly common.

Best Mild 1035

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Hartley's Ulverston, Cumbria
The famous beer of the Lakes. Taken over by locals *Robinsons* of Stockport, but still brewing for its 57 pubs. Also available in a number of *Whitbread* houses.
XB 1040

Harvey's Lewes, East Sussex
Small family concern. Real ale in all 34 tied houses and a free trade which is expanding into the Home Counties.
XX Mild 1030
Armada 1050

Harviestoun Dollar, Clackmannashire
Based in a former dairy near Stirling. Serves 15 outlets in central Scotland
80/- 1040 Old Manor 1050

Holden Dudley, West Midlands
Long-established firm of Black Country brewers. Real ale in all 18 tied houses and over 100 free houses.
Black Country Mild 1038
Special Bitter 1050

Holt Manchester
Independent family firm established in 1849. Real ale in all 93 tied houses, practically all of which are within a 15 mile radius of the brewery at Cheetham Hill. Reputation for excellent, distinctive, and - above all - cheap ale; you can still get Holt's mild for around 70p a pint!
Bitter 1039

Hook Norton Banbury, Oxfordshire
One of the most delightful tower breweries in Britain. Rural brewery serving real ale in all 35 country pubs plus extensive free trade.
Mild 1032 Bitter 1036
Old Hookey 1049

Hoskins & Oldfield Leicester
Set up in 1984 by members of a famous Midlands brewing family. No tied houses, but a fairly scattered free trade.
Tom Kelly Stout 1043

Sarah Hughes Dudley, W Midlands
Pub brewhouse, the Beacon Hotel, run by Sarah Hughes from 1921 to 1958 and reopened by her grandson a couple of years ago. Dark Ruby is a "mild" brewed using her original recipe.
Dark Ruby 1058

King & Barnes Horsham, Sussex
Yet another family-run brewery. Serves real ale in all its 65 pubs. Runs a popular "ale trail" passport scheme.
Sussex Mild 1034

Larkin's Tunbridge Wells
Brews additive-free beers using partly their own home-grown hops. Supplies 40 outlets in and around Tunbridge Wells.
Traditional Ale 1035

Linfit see *Sair Inn*
Lorimer's see *Vaux*

Marston's Burton-On-Trent
Large independent with 856 pubs stretching from Cumbria to Hampshire. The only brewer still using the *Burton Union* system of fermentation. Merrie Monk is supposedly a mild!
Pedigree 1043
Merrie Monk 1043
Owd Roger 1080

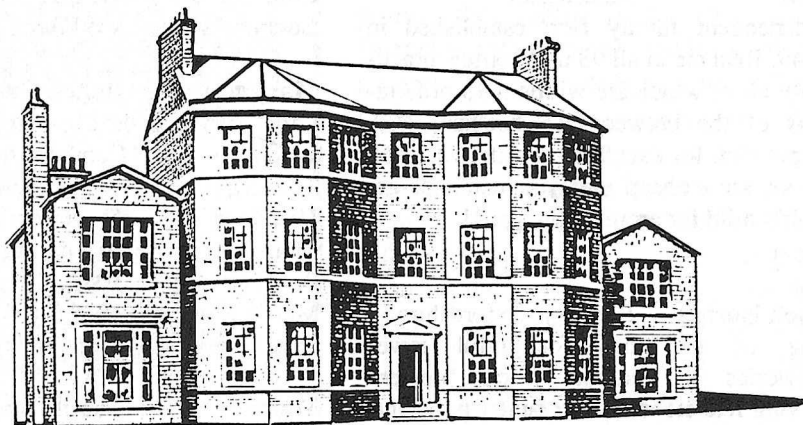
Martins Martin, Nr Dover
Set up in 1983 in an 18th Century brew-house which lay idle for 70 years
Johnson's Bitter 1042

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Mauldon Sudbury, Suffolk
An old family brewing name revived in 1982 by former *Watney's* head brewer. Supplies 100+ free outlets in East Anglia.
FA Mild 1034

Miner's Arms Westbury-Sub-Mendip
Homebrew pub set up in 1973 producing bottle-conditioned beer. Moved to present site in '81 and switched to draught beer for the free trade. One tied house and around 35 free outlets.
Own Ale 1040

Mitchell's Lancaster
Independent brewery established in 1880. Last in the city since the closure of *Yates & Jackson*, whose former premises Mitchell's now use.
Bitter 1036 ESB 1056

Mole's Melksham, Wiltshire
Started in 1982 by a former brewer with Usher's of Trowbridge, who lent his nickname to the company. One tied house and around 50 free trade outlets.
PA 1035 97 1050

Moorhouse's Burnley
Popular North West brewery established in the last century as a brewer of hop bitters for shandies. Began brewing beer in 1979 and now had two tied houses. Festival Ale has been brewed specially for this event.
Premier Bitter 1036
Festival Ale 1040
Pendle Witches Brew 1050

Nethergate Clare, Suffolk
Set up in 1986 at a purpose built brewery. Now serves 60 outlets in East Anglia
Bitter 1039

North & East Riding Scarborough
Small independent brewery set up behind the Hotel Stresa to brew Scotch-style beers for the Highland bar
EXB 1040

Oak Ellesmere Port
Small brewery established in 1982, which supplies the North West free trade. Wobbly Bob is alleged to be named after a three legged cat.
Best Bitter 1038
Wobbly Bob 1060

Old Mill Goole, Humberside
Rapidly expanding brewery set up in '83. Owns 3 pubs and supplies 75 others.
Mild 1034 Bullion 1044

Palmer Bridport, Dorset
Britain's only thatched brewery(!) Most of its 70 pubs serve the real stuff.
Tally Ho 1046

Ringwood Ringwood, Hampshire
Began in the late 70s by Peter Austin, pioneer of the new brewery revolution. Two tied houses and 80 free trade outlets.
49er 1048
Old Thumper 1058

Robinwood Todmorden
Sited at the *Staff Of Life* pub on Burnley Road. Began brewing additive free beers last spring.
Best Bitter 1036
Old Fart 1060

Sair Inn Linthwaite
Pub brewhouse, also known as the Linfit Brewery. Recently featured in an article on homebrew pubs in the *Independent*.
English Guineas Stout 1041

St Austell **St Austell, Cornwall**
 "Holiday" brewery with real ale in most of its 133 pubs plus free trade. Crippledick is a rarely found brew - we believe it is a cask version of their bottled "Prince's Ale" - and is the strongest beer at the festival.

XXXX Mild 1038
 Bosun's Bitter 1038
 Tinner's Ale 1041
 Hick's Special 1050
 Crippledick 1104

Smile's **Bristol**
 One of the earliest new brewers, dating back to 1977. It has now grown to supply four tied houses and over 120 free trade outlets.
 Brewery Bitter 1037

Stocks **Doncaster**
 Originally a home-brew pub, now has two tied houses plus expanding free trade.
 Old Horizontal 1054

Taylor's **Keighley, W Yorkshire**
 Legendary brewery whose quality ales can be found in 29 tied houses and an extensive free trade.

Golden Best 1033
 Landlord 1042
 Porter 1043

Theakston's **Masham, N Yorks**
 Part of the *Scottish and Newcastle* group following the takeover of *Matthew Brown* in 1987 (the latter took *Theakston's* three years previously.) One local pub; the *Hart Common* in Westhoughton
 XB 1044
 Old Peculier 1056

Titanic **Burslem, Stoke**
 Recently "sank" due to financial problems - now resurrected. Originally set up in 1985 at the Travellers Rest
 Premium 1042
 Captain Smith's 1050

Traquair House **Innerleithen**
 Eighteenth century Scottish manor-house brewery revived by the Laird of Traquair in 1965.
 Bear Ale 1050 House Ale 1075

Vaux **Sunderland**
 Britain's second largest regional independent, dating back to 1806. Runs a guest beer scheme in 33 of its 410 tied houses, one of which is *Maxim's*, Bradshawgate. Double Maxim is rarely seen in draught form. Closed down their *Lorimer & Clark* subsidiary in 1987 (see *Caledonian*)
 Lorimer's Best Scotch 1036
 Double Maxim 1054

Wadworth **Devizes**
 Traditional independent with real ale in all its 155 tied houses.
 6X 1040

Wells **Bedford**
 Regional independent now expanding into London. Real ale in most of its 280 pubs.
 Eagle Bitter 1035

Whitbread **Faversham**
 One of Britain's Big 7 brewers, which owns five breweries as well as this one. Closed *Wethereds* of Marlowe and *Chesters* of Salford in 1988. 50 pubs in the Bolton are; most serve real ale, and refurbishment of keg pubs is usually accompanied by conversion to cask ale.
 Pompey Royal 1043

Whitby's Own Whitby, N Yorks
New brewery set up last year in a former
workhouse.

Ammonite 1038
Wobble 1045

Wiltshire Tisbury
Set up in 1985 and restructured in 1987
when 15 managed houses were replaced
by 9 tenanted pubs.
Old Grumble 1049

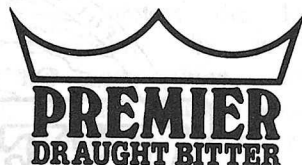
Wood Craven Arms, Salop
Still going strong after 9 years in the
business. Now supplies over 50 outlets.
Parish Bitter 1040
Wonderful 1050

Woodforde's Erpingham, Norfolk
Begun in 1981. Now supplies a wide
range of beers to one tied house as well as
70 free trade outlets.
Wherry 1039
Headcracker 1069

Yates Aspatria, Cumbria
Set up in 1986 in a converted barn by
Peter Yates, former head brewer at Jen-
nings. Owns a herd of pedigree goats!
Yates Bitter was voted *Best Beer* at this
festival last year
Bitter 1035
Premium 1048

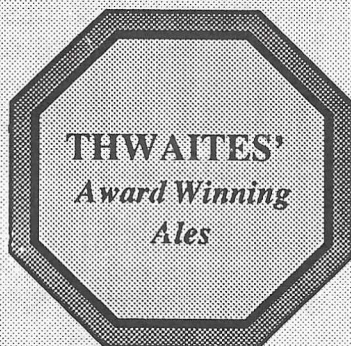
Youngs Wandsworth, London
Well regarded brewery which remained
true to its tradition by maintaining cask
conditioned beers during the keg "Red
Revolution" era. All 150 pubs offer Real
Ale. Young's Special is the Queen mum's
favourite tipple!
Bitter 1036

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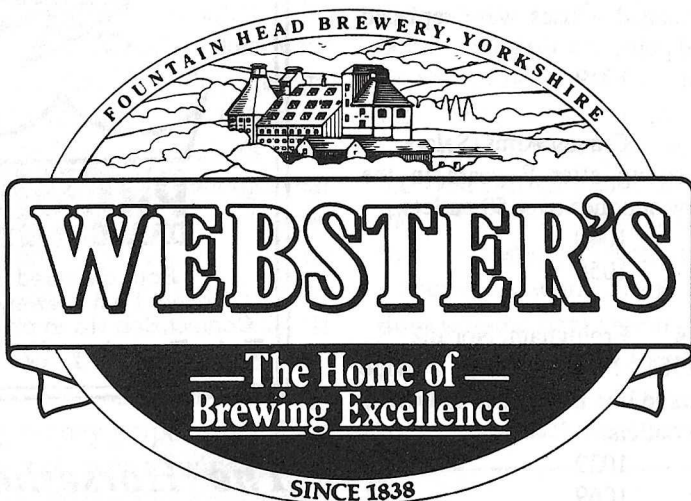


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The site is situated in Queens Park, Bolton, adjacent to the Bolton Royal Infirmary, and immediately facing the Medical Institution. It is eminently suitable for the purpose, being in the centre of Bolton Metro, well served by public transport and readily accessible to everyone. Its proximity to the Royal Infirmary will also provide many advantages.

The Bolton Hospice Council of Management would very much like to commence the building operations during the summer of 1989, which would enable the hospice to become operational before the end of 1990; however, this will be dependent on sufficient funds being available.

Every year, more than 700 Bolton residents are diagnosed as being terminally ill, mainly with cancer but also with other terminal illnesses. The Bolton Hospice will be specially designed to meet all their needs; it will be built to the highest possible standards and will employ very highly trained specialist nursing staff and experts in the field of caring for the terminally ill.

The aim of the hospice is to improve the quality of life for the terminally ill, to relieve their pain, to help the patients and their families through the many problems they will encounter and to create an environment in which the patient is able to live each day to the fullest and die in dignity without physical or emotional suffering.

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Funds are urgently required and I am asking you please to consider making a generous donation or to organise a fund-raising event. Remember, the Bolton Hospice will be helping to ease the pain and suffering of our relatives, friends and neighbours; support them through the hospice appeal.

On behalf of the Bolton Hospice Council of Management and Members, also the patients and families who will benefit from your generosity, **THANK YOU!**

John Spiller
Chairman, Community Fund
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Rupert Periwinkle

Epistle from a crenellated howdah

It was a great compliment to be asked to write a welcome to the great unwashed at the Scotton Amber Nectar Show. It makes a change to address the uninitiated rather than the already converted aficionados of the hop. I was, however, miffed by the caveat that I must not produce anything which was likely to bring the good township of Scotton into disrepute. I am not wont to throw gratuitous obscenities around so there would be no likelihood of the odd bum,tit or fart rearing its ugly head. I'm not likely to suggest that Norman Tebbit eats ferrets, or that a certain religious leader copulates with water buffaloes. My contribution will be confined entirely to an introduction to the world of living ale.

The trouble with real ale is the enthusiasts. They aren't content with holding halves of esoteric ales up to the light, testing the "nose" and discussing their various qualities with other like minded connoisseurs. Far from being grateful to the brewers who supply us with their delectable wares and manage their hostelries with tender loving care, some CAMRA members actually campaign against the very people who provide

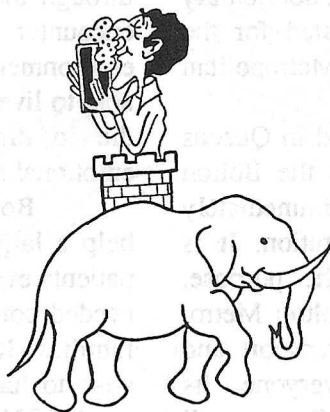
both the thirst quenching amber nectar and the tasteful environment in which it can be consumed.

I would warn new enthusiasts to shun these campaigners who can only bring trouble. Enjoy the amber nectar whilst you may, seek out beer

from the wickets and enthuse about the micro breweries, but don't join the carping critics who are their own worst enemies. Despite all their whingeing over the years, the brewers have still closed down lots of breweries resulting in greater efficiency, lower prices, more consumer choice and a vast

improvement in quality. At the same time they've knocked down most of the multi-roomed hovels that masqueraded as pubs and replaced them with modern state-of-the-art premises decorated in the latest theme style and catering for the latest trends.

Most of these prophets of doom don't know which side their bread's buttered on, although they do add some idiosyncratic colour to the Campaign. Their demented mutterings are not to be taken seriously. After all, there's nothing much wrong with our beers and our licensed emporia. The brewers can be left alone to look after their products and their premises without any fear as they have done for centuries without any interference from silly fusspots.





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