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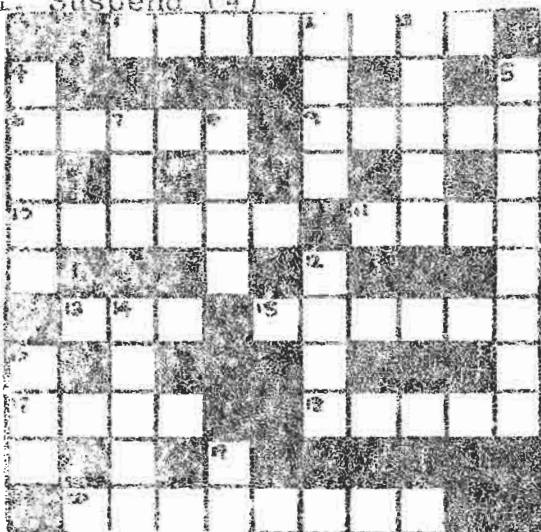
## Charles Wells Price Freeze

In December's 'Opening Times' we included Charles Wells amongst the breweries who were increasing their prices. This article was incorrect as Charles Wells, who haven't raised their prices since last summer, had just announced a price freeze until some time in the New Year. We apologise to Charles Wells for this misunderstanding and congratulate them on their stand against inflation. We hope other breweries follow this good example.  
C.J.P.

## SMALL CROSSWORD NO 1

### Clues - Across

1. Huntingdon pub selling Manns (8)      13. National Health Service (1,1,1)  
5. Pub game (5)      15. 72 pint container (5)  
9. Weapon (5)      17. Noisy (4)  
10 & 14 Down. Drinking establishment (5,5)      18. Coarse Tweed (5)  
11. Suspend (4)      20. Tegestology is collecting them (4,4)



### Clues - Down

2. Flower (4)  
3. Musical Drama (5)  
4. Choose (5)  
5. Tolly's first beer? (8)  
7. Steal (3)  
8. Spade depth (4)  
12. Not bitter (4)  
14. See 10 across  
16. Malt liquor (3)  
19. Alternative to heraldic gold (2)

Entries should be sent to the Editor by the 27th January 1981. The first correct entry drawn will receive £1. The winner of crossword 13 was Sue Taylor.  
R.S.O.

## Committee Changes

Due to outside commitments, Wendy Enderby has resigned her position on the committee as Secretary. We would like to thank her for the excellent job she did. Geoff Parsons has taken over the post but this now leaves vacancies on the committee for a social secretary and a press-relations officer. If there are any Camra members who would like to apply for these posts which run up to our AGM in March, please contact the Editor.  
(C.J.P.)

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## Prices Watchdog is back

After a three year gap, CAMRA is bringing back its prices watchdog in What's Brewing. The tremendous support for the motion at this years AGM calling for the Watchdog's return, reflected an almost universal view, that the price of our pint is more of a burning issue than ever before.

As well as keeping an eye on prices nationally, Watchdog will examine specific parts of the country and spotlight the high-priced brewers. Watchdog will investigate local monopolies to see if they lead to drinkers being ripped off. Breweries who force their customers to subsidise canned beers in supermarkets will also come under close scrutiny.

## National A.G.M. 1981

This years A.G.M. will be held in Durham, an oasis in the North East, the largest remaining real ale desert, on March 28th & 29th. Members wishing to attend should consult their What's Brewing if they require accommodation at Durham University.

## Pub News

The Red Lion, Bassingbourne, the King William IV, Fenstanton and the George & Dragon, Elsworth are all now serving Tolly Old Strong. Grant and Dee Liddell have become the first ever tenants of the Three Horseshoes, Gt. Stukeley. The pub had been managed since being rebuilt in the mid-sixties.

The Barley Mow, Hartford has been awarded second place for the best kept cellar in a Charles Wells managed house.

The Chestnuts, Needingworth hopes to add Ind Coope Burton to its range of real ales. It currently sells the full range of Greene King.

The Vine, Buckden is hoping to instal Wethereds shortly.

Greene Kings Christmas beer has been on sale only in Rayments pubs. We will probably have to wait till next winter before we get it locally. Apparently it's well worth trying, but make certain someone else is doing the driving.

## CROSSWORD NO 13

### Answers

Across. 1. Wort. 4. Brains 6. Benskins 8. Lull 10. Blue 11. Pollards  
14. Martlet 16. Pedigree 18. Lees 20. Mead 21. Go 22. Syrup 24. Bylaws  
25. Merrie Down. 2. Okell 3. Skipper 4. Bus 5. Alloa 7. Steam  
9. Lodge 12. Lilies 13. Brewery 15. Tolly 17. India 19. Emu 21. Gas  
23. A.M. (RSO)

## FUTURE DATES

Tue Jan 6th: Brewery trip, Charles Wells.

Wed Jan 14th: Meeting, Old Sun, Eaton Socon.

Wed Jan 28th: Social, the Windmill, Somersham.

Wed Feb 11th: Meeting, the Waterloo, Huntingdon.

Wed Feb 25th: Social, the Plough, Abbotsley.

Wed March 11th: A.G.M., Venue to be decided.

Meetings start at 8.00pm. We welcome new faces.

Also enter in your diary the 29th, 30th, 31st May. These are the dates for this years Riverside Festival.

## WE WANT YOU NOW!

Join the Campaign for Real Ale now! For the £5 for individual or £6 for a combined husband and wife membership you receive What's Brewing every month. This gives you all the up to date info on most aspects concerning beer. You also get the opportunity to purchase the Good Beer Guide at a reduction. This is on top of being able to attend brewery trips and local events. If I've convinced you then contact Ian Roberts, 122 Queens Gardens, Eaton Ford, St. Neots, Cambs.