

HITCHMOUGH'S BLACK COUNTRY PUBS



WEST BROMWICH
(INC. GOLDS GREEN, GREET'S GREEN, HILL TOP, LYNDON)

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INTRODUCTION

Well over 40 years ago, I began to notice that the English public house was more than just a building in which people drank. The customers talked and played, held trips and meetings, the licensees had their own stories, and the buildings had experienced many changes.

These thoughts spurred me on to find out more. Obviously I had to restrict my field; Black Country pubs became my theme, because that is where I lived and worked. Many of the pubs I remembered from the late 1960's, when I was legally allowed to drink in them, had disappeared or were in the process of doing so.

My plan was to collect any information I could from any sources available. Around that time the Black Country Bugle first appeared; I have never missed an issue, and have found the contents and letters invaluable. I then started to visit the archives of the Black Country boroughs. Directories were another invaluable source for licensees' names, enabling me to build up lists. The censuses, church registers and licensing minutes for some areas, also were consulted. Newspaper articles provided many items of human interest (eg. inquests, crimes, civic matters, industrial relations), which would be of value not only to a pub historian, but to local and social historians and genealogists alike.

With the advances in technology in mind, I decided the opportunity of releasing my entire archive digitally, rather than mere selections as magazine articles or as a book, was too good to miss. This would allow those people with interests, such as mentioned above, to search for relevant information. (sic) The files contain information about every pub that has been found to exist in each of the districts within the Black Country, along with a number of illustrations.

Originally a series of 3 CDs was for sale, covering the Black Country boroughs. After 2 editions of each CD I am now producing individual files for each township sub-area. These files are available for free download by anyone interested.

A number of years have passed since the first CD came out. In that time I have looked at a lot more sources of information (discovering some new old pubs), acquired many more photographs, and made many helpful friends. Thanks to the many people such as Denis Harper and Keith Hodgkins, who have allowed their own photographs to be used. In 2010 I was asked by the relatives of the late John V. Richards to sort through his own archive of material, in order to redistribute it to appropriate groups. This has been very useful in confirming, and providing new, information. I have also been asked to disseminate information gathered by Jim Laws, Wolverhampton CAMRA's pub preservation officer/pub historian, who is unfortunately incapacitated.

I hope you find this file useful. Please, if you can, show your appreciation by contributing information or photographs. If you feel so inclined you can even make a donation via the [downloads](#) page on the website to help defray our expenses.

The work, as ever, continues.

Tony Hitchmough
December 2014

With many thanks to the 'back office': Janet, Sam and Gavin.



Hitchmough Reflects

DISTRICTS

The districts covered by the CDs were generally based on the modern places created in the 1970's, ie, Sandwell, Dudley, Walsall and Wolverhampton.

These are then subdivided into the old townships which had existed for many years previous, and are as follows:-

SANDWELL

Oldbury (inc. Causeway Green, Langley, Oakham, Rounds Green, Tividale)

Rowley Regis (inc. Blackheath, Cradley Heath, Old Hill, Whiteheath)

Smethwick (inc. Bearwood, Londonderry, Warley)

Tipton (inc. Dudley Port, Great Bridge, Princes End, Toll End)

Wednesbury (inc. Kings Hill, Leabrook, Mesty Croft)

West Bromwich (inc. Golds Green, Greets Green, Hill Top, Lyndon)

DUDLEY

Brierley Hill (inc. Pensnett, Quarry Bank, Round Oak)

Dudley (inc. Harts Hill, Kates Hill, Priory, Woodside)

Halesowen (inc. Colley Gate, Cradley, Hasbury, Lapal)

Kingswinford (inc. Himley, Wall Heath)

Netherton (inc. Darby End, Dudley Wood, Saltwells, Windmill End)

Sedgley (inc. Coseley, The Gornals, Woodsetton)

Stourbridge (inc. Lye, Wollaston, Wollescote)

WALSALL & WOLVERHAMPTON

Bilston (inc. Bradley, Hallfields)

Darlaston (inc. Butcroft, Moxley, Wood's Bank)

Walsall (inc. Bloxwich, Leamore, Palfrey, Pelsall, Rushall, Shelfield, Walsall Wood)

Wednesfield (inc. Ashmore Park, Fallings Park, Heath Town, Moseley Village, Park Village, Wood End)

Willenhall (inc. Bentley, New Invention, Portobello, Short Heath)

Wolverhampton (inc. Blakenhall, Codsall, Oxley, Penn, Tettenhall, Whitmore Reans)

UPDATES

I am planning to continue my researches, and will be producing updated versions of each file (for free download) as sufficient additional content is found. Hopefully new old pubs will continue to be discovered, as will some mysteries be cleared up.

I maintain an Update service on the website to advise of pub discoveries made during the interim between releases.

If anyone is able to provide extra, relevant information and / or pictures, about any of the pubs and people contained within this work, I would be grateful to hear from you, initially by e-mail at:
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I look forward to hearing from you.

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ACORN

107, New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Simcox
Joseph McKenley [1899]
Charles J. Thompson, Churchfield, West Bromwich
Charles Darby, Bush Inn, West Bromwich [1914]
Darby's Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Simcox [1871] – [1873]
Joseph Silvester [] – **1872**);
William Foley (**1872** – []
Joseph McKenley [1880] – [1904]
John Glover [] – **1906**);
George Heath (**1906 – 1909**);
Samuel Richard Brett (**1909 – 1911**);
Frank James Adams (**1911 – 1912**);
Francis George Fletcher (**1912** – [1921]
Edward Perry [1924] – **1948**);
Leslie Perry (**1948 – 1949**);
George Edward Harris (**1949 – 1953**);
Norman Simcox (**1953 – 1956**);
Frank William Corbett (**1956 – 1957**);
John George Frederick Kightley (**1957 – 1958**);
George William Healey (**1958**);
Alan Peniket (**1958** – []

NOTES

1871 Census

New Street – The ACORN

- [1] *Joseph Simcox* (51), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Simcox* (54), wife, born Bromley, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Joseph Simcox* (21), son, house painter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Simcox* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Joseph McKenley = Joseph McKentley

He married Elizabeth Simcox in 1876, and Annie Meakin in 1889.

1881 Census

107, New Street – ACORN INN

- [1] *Joseph McKenley* (33), licensed victualler, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Elizabeth McKenley* (28), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Simcox McKenley* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Frank McKenley* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Maria Hadley* (21), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

107, New Street – ACORN INN

- [1] *Joseph McKenley* (43), publican, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Annie McKenley* (25), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *May McKenley* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Millard* (18), servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Matilda Wootton* (18), servant, born West Bromwich;

1901 Census

197, New Street – ACORN INN

- [1] *Joseph McKenley* (53), publican, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Annie McKenley* (36), wife, born Saltley, Birmingham;
- [3] *Joseph S. McKenley* (23), son, publican's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George F. McKenley* (22), son, tailor, cutter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *May McKenley* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Louisa McKenley* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Florrie Hemmings* (20), general servant, born Finley;

Joseph McKentley was a committee member of West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers' Association. [1902]

On 10th March 1904 the Licensing Justices consented to certain structural alterations of the licensed premises, upon the express condition that the gateway at the rear of the premises is used for domestic purposes only.

1911 Census

107, New Street

- [1] *Samuel Richard Brett* (31), publican, born Chester;
 - [2] *Ann Brett* (29), wife, married 10 years, born West Bromwich;
 - [3] *Lester Ralph George Brett* (9), son, born West Bromwich;
 - [4] *Annie Allen* (17), niece, servant, born Chester;
- [Ann Brett may have been a Spittle.]

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

F. W. Corbett died in 1957.

ALBION TAVERN

108, Bull Lane, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

David Duffield
William Duffield
George Duffield
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1947]

LICENSEES

David Duffield **(1868 - 1879);**
William Duffield **(1879 - 1928);**
George Duffield **(1928 - 1947);**
Arthur Knowles **(1947 - 1951);**
James Henry Iliffe **(1951 - 1953);**
Frederick Joseph Willetts **(1953 - 1955);**
Dan Lawrence **(1955 - 1968)**

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It was known locally as "Duffield's".

David Duffield = David Duffell

David Duffield married Susannah Hill in 1849.

David Duffield, beer retailer, Bull Lane. [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

Bull Lane

- [1] *David Duffell* (47), publican and grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sushannah Duffell* (46), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sushannah Duffell* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Duffell* (14), son, butcher's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Duffell* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice Duffell* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Duffield married Harriet Darby in 1877.

1881 Census

108, Bull Lane – ALBION INN

- [1] *William Duffield* (24), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Duffield* (24), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Susannah Duffield* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Duffield* (7 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Round* (18), domestic servant, born Rowley Regis;
- [6] *John Simcox* (44), boarder, general labourer, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

108, Bull Lane

- [1] *William Duffield* (34), beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Duffield* (34), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *George Duffield* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Round* (30), general servant, born Rowley;
- [5] *Sarah Ann Richards* (15), general servant, born West Bromwich:

William Duffield, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 108, Bull Lane. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908]

1901 Census

108, Bull Lane

- [1] *William Duffield* (45), beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Duffield* (45), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *George Duffield* (20), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *May Duffield* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Round* (40), domestic servant, born Blackheath;
- [6] *Emma Yates* (19), domestic servant, born Birmingham:

1911 Census

108, Bull Lane

- [1] *William Duffield* (54), brewer and beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriett Duffield* (54), wife, married 33 years, born Oldbury;
- [3] *George Duffield* (30), brewer's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Alice Duffield* (28), daughter in law, assistant in business, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice May Duffield* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice Duffield* (1), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

A wine license was granted on 30th April 1936.

A full (Publican's) license was granted on 11th March 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1948]

Dan Lawrence was married to Lil.

It closed on 25th July 1971.

It reopened as a Royal Naval Association Club on 14th April 1972.

ALBION HOTEL

1-5, New Street North / Reform Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Peter McMahon
Nash Goular (acquired in May 1989)

LICENSEES

Miss Frankie McMahon [] - **1989**
Paviter Singh Golar [1992]

NOTES

[1986]

Closed [2008]

It was converted into housing. [2010]



1986



2014

ALBION TAVERN

55-57, (55), (53), Newhall Street, (Lyng Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Lund, Thimblemill Farm, Smethwick
Thomas Lund, Spon Lane, West Bromwich (later at Thimblemill Road, Smethwick)
Thomas Henry Bates
Darby's Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

George Stokes [] - **1873**);
Richard Butcher (**1873**);
Thomas Lund (**1873**);
George Hobday (**1873 - 1877**);
John Bradley (**1877 - 1886**);
Mrs. Selina Ann Bradley (**1886 - 1893**);
George Warrall (**1893 - 1894**);
Edwin Hatton (**1894 - 1906**);
Benjamin Fenton (**1906 - 1911**);
George Davies (**1911 - 1914**);
Samuel Southall [1914] ?
Herbert Partridge (**1914**);
Albert Edward Williams (**1914 - 1915**);
Edward Smith (**1915 - 1916**);
Ruth Smith (**1916 - 1921**);
Edward Smith (**1921 - 1923**);
Thomas Roberts (**1923 - 1933**);
Frederick Hill (**1933 - 1955**)
James Henry Hope [] - **1966**):

NOTES

Lyng Street
55, Newhall Street [1881], [1891]
53, Newhall Street [1888], [1892]
55-57, Newhall Street

It was originally called the UNION.

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

55, Newhall Street – ALBION INN (beer house)

- [1] *John Bradley* (46), publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *Selina Ann Bradley* (46), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Matilda Bradley* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Jane Bradley* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Jesse Bradley* (20), son, packing case maker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Edward Bradley* (18), son, commercial clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Joseph Bradley* (16), pupil teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Meyrah* (?) *Ann Bradley* (8), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [9] *Peter Bradley* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Selina Ann Bradley, beer retailer, 53, Newhall Street. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

55, New Hall Street

- [1] *Selina A. Bradley* (56), widow, beerhouse proprietress, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Margaret A. Bradley* (18), daughter, domestic work, born Tipton;
- [3] *Ada Bradley* (16), daughter, domestic work, born West Bromwich:

Edwin Hatton = *Edwin Watton*

Edwin Watton, beer retailer, 55, Newhall Street. [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

57, Newhall Street – ALBION INN Public House

- [1] *Edwin Hatton* (60), beerhouse keeper, born Lye;
- [2] *Hannah Hatton* (48), wife, born Kidderminster:

Benjamin Fenton, beer retailer, 55, Newhall Street. [1908]

1911 Census

55, Newhall Street

- [1] *George Davies* (39), publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *Mary Ann Davies* (40), wife, married 9 years, born Tipton;
- [3] *Gladys Davies* (8), daughter, born Tipton:

George Davies, beer retailer, 55, Newhall Street. [1912]

Albert Edward Williams – see also NEW BELL.

The frontage was altered in 1920.

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

A full license was granted on 7th February 1957, and confirmed on 3rd April 1957.

It closed in 1966.

ALBION

138, (122), Oldbury Road, (Oldbury Lane), Greet's Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Stevenson, Greet's Green
Edward Timmins
John Hamilton-Day and Co., Sparkbrook Brewery [1902]
The Birmingham Breweries Ltd., Kings Heath
Ansells Ltd.
Darby's Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

James Stevenson [1861] – 1871);
John Rogers (1871 – 1874);
Edward Timmins (1874 – 1898);
William Beckett (1898 – 1904);
Mrs. Caroline Beckett (1904 – 1922);
John 'Jack' Henry Reece (1922 – 1950);
William Clemson (1950 – 1952);
Sarah (Clemson) Steventon (1952 – 1954)
Percy Thomas Brindley (1954 – 1955);
Ernest William Pearce (1955 – 1956);
Edna May Parkes (1956 – []
James Henry 'Jim' Hope [post 1956]
Derek Rudge [c. 1980]

NOTES

122, Oldbury Road [1881], [1888], [1889]
138, Oldbury Road [1891], [1892], [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

It was originally unnamed.



Token

James Stevenson, beer retailer, Oldbury Lane. [1861]
James Stevenson, beer retailer, Oldbury Road. [1868]

John Rogers = John Rodgers

1881 Census

122, Oldbury Road

- [1] *Edward Timmins* (45), publican, born Staffordshire;
- [2] *Eliza Timmins* (43), wife, born Staffordshire;
- [3] *Elizabeth Timmins* (18), daughter, born Staffordshire;
- [4] *John W. Timmins* (15), son, born Staffordshire;
- [5] *Edward Timmins* (12), son, scholar, born Staffordshire;
- [6] *Ada Timmins* (8), daughter, scholar, born Staffordshire;
- [7] *Fred Timmins* (4), son, scholar, born Staffordshire;
- [8] *Eliza Timmins* (2), daughter, born Staffordshire:

Edward Timmins, beer retailer, 122, Oldbury Road. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

138, Oldbury Road

- [1] *Edward Timmins* (55), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Timmins* (51), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Timmins* (24), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ada Timmins* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frederick Timmins* (15), son, under roller, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eliza Timmins* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Edward Timmins, beer retailer, 138, Oldbury Road. [1892], [1896]

William Beckett, beer retailer, 138, Oldbury Road. [1900]

He was married to *Caroline*.

1901 Census

138, Oldbury Road

- [1] *William Beckett* (36), blacksmith, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Bathsheba Beckett* (37), wife, born Wednesfield;
- [3] *Ethel Beckett* (14), daughter, born Wednesfield;
- [4] *Minnie Beckett* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Wilfred Beckett* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Doris Beckett* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Harrold Beckett* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Sarah A. Clee* (18), housemaid, born Tipton:

Mrs. *Caroline Beckett*, beer retailer, 138, Oldbury Road. [1904], [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

Oldbury Road – ALBION INN

[1] *Caroline Beckett* (72), widow, licensed house keeper, born Newent, Gloucestershire;

[2] *Henry Beckett* (33), son, coach builder, born Greet Green;

[3] *Annie Beckett* (29), daughter, assists in business, born Greet Green;

[4] *Ada Ann Lewis* (36), daughter, assist in business, born Greet Green;

[5] *Marjorie Irene Lewis* (14), granddaughter, assist in business, born Birmingham:

Jack Reece issued tokens from here.

William Clemson was married to *Sarah*.

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

Sarah Clemson was remarried to a Mr. *Steventon* in 1953.

Jim Hope was an ex-boxer.

He was married to *Madeleine*. She was from Arras in France.

See also LOCOMOTIVE, Dudley.

[1982]

Closed

ALBION

30, Paradise Street, (High Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

The City Brewery Co. Ltd., Lichfield

John William James Kingstone, Summit Brewery, Smethwick [1917]

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1928]

LICENSEES

Aaron Baggott [] - **1872**);

George Stokes (**1872** - []

Robert Henry Jones [1888]

John Edward Shilton [1889] - **1892**);

James Smith (**1892** - **1894**);

Richard Wells (**1894** - **1905**);

George Deans (**1905** - **1907**);

William Deans (**1907** - **1908**);

Douglas Lee (**1908** - **1910**);

Alfred Stockley (**1910** - **1912**);

William Arthur Bell (**1912** - **1913**);

John Langton Hunt (**1913** - **1916**);

Charles William Herrick (**1916** - **1920**);

Raymond Leslie White (**1920** - **1930**);

Albert Munday (**1930** - **1931**);

Archibald Alan Smart (**1931** - **1933**);

Harold Thomas Plumb (**1933**);

John Edward Earp (**1933** - **1937**);

Frederick William Ingram (**1937** - **1939**);

Harold Morris Naylor (**1939** - **1941**);

Catherine Mary Naylor (**1941** - **1942**);

Charles Kershaw (**1942** - **1948**);

Jack Harrison (**1948** - **1950**);

George Thomas Bennison (**1950** - **1955**);

John Frank Watson (**1955** - []

NOTES

ALBION HOTEL [1892], [1901], [1911]

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/11/1881

“On Wednesday an inquest was held before Mr. E. Hooper, at the ALBION INN, High Street, West Bromwich, upon the body of Aaron Debney (22), who died in the District Hospital on Sunday night.

William Debney said he was the brother of the deceased, who resided in Eel Street, Oldbury. He was a puddler employed at Bridge and Gills. The accident occurred about nine o'clock on Saturday night. Deceased was at the time over the rails against Morris's brickyard. A number of young men were around a bonfire that had been lighted. The cannon, which was being fired belonged to his brother. Deceased had fired the cannon during the day four or five times, the last time he charged it he put a good handful of powder in it, and also rammed it with stones, dirt, paper, and pieces of brick. He then placed it near the pigstye, and lighting a short rocket stick, about 12 inches long, at the fire, he proceeded to fire the cannon.

In reply to the coroner: The cannon was about two yards from the fire. The cannon exploded, and the pieces struck deceased on the side of the head. He then fell against the wall, and bled a great deal. He was taken at once to the West Bromwich Hospital in a cab. He had been in possession of the cannon about a fortnight, and purchased it for one penny from a rag and bone man named Amos, of Newbury Lane.

In answer to the coroner, witness said his brother had charged the cannon several times during the same day, and did not put so much powder in it as when it exploded.

John Beach, Portway Road, said he was sitting by the fire on Saturday and saw the deceased charge and fire the cannon. He, the deceased, did it all himself, and no one interfered with him whatever respecting it.

Robert Kitely, porter at the Hospital, proved the death, which took place on Sunday night at seven o'clock.

The Coroner said it seemed to him to be the result of a pure accident, and he did not see that any person was to blame except the unfortunate young man himself. The jury then found a verdict of Accidental Death."

[This has been included here as it seems the most likely ALBION.]

Smethwick Telephone 8/6/1889 - Advert

"*J. E. Shilton* (Warwickshire County Eleven) – Cricket and tennis outfitter – ALBION HOTEL, Paradise Street, West Bromwich – best stock of cricket bats in the Midlands – Lichfield City Ales, wines and spirits – cigars of the choicest brand - J. E. S. is open for matches and coaching."

John Edward Shilton = John Edward Shelton

1891 Census

30, Paradise Street

[1] *John E. Shilton* (29), licensed victualler, born Coventry;

[2] *Jane Shilton* (32), wife, born Malton, Yorkshire;

[3] *Annie Shilton* (8), daughter, scholar, born Sowerby Bridge, Yorkshire;

[4] *Mary Shilton* (17), sister, born Leeds;

[5] *George E. Wright* (23), barman, born Birmingham;

[6] *Edwin H. Harrison* (15), visitor, born Wellington, Shropshire:

1892 Advert – ALBION HOTEL

"The leading football and cricket depot in the district."

Midland Sun 3/6/1893 - Advert

"ALBION HOTEL / Paradise Street, West Bromwich / Lichfield City Brewery Ales. Wines and Spirits of the Choicest Quality / Tobacco and Cigars of Best Brands / Every Accommodation for Commercials, and Good Stabling / *James Smith*, Proprietor."

1901 Census

30, Paradise Street – ALBION HOTEL

[1] *Richard Wells* (44), widower, public house keeper, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Richard Wells* (15), son, coach painter, born Hednesford, Staffordshire;

[3] *Annie Griffiths* (28), housekeeper, born Wrexham;

[4] *Ada Thrupp* (15), barmaid, born Hednesford, Staffordshire:

The license renewal to *Richard Wells* was adjourned until the Adjourned Licensing Session in 1901, because he was in the habit of playing a gramophone on Sunday, creating "a great nuisance to the neighbourhood".

- It was renewed on the understanding that no music was to be allowed on Sundays.

Smethwick Weekly News 30/8/1902

"*Elizabeth Taylor* (46), married woman of Paradise Street, was fined £3 including costs, or 14 days in default, for stealing a quantity of coal, the property of *Richard Wells*, landlord of the ALBION HOTEL, Paradise Street.

Prosecutor stated that he heard a noise in the yard, and on throwing the window open saw the defendant in the act of taking coal from the coal-house."

1911 Census

30, Paradise Street

[1] *Alfred Stockley* (49), widower, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Harry Stockley* (19), son, brewer, born Walsall;

[3] *Adie Stockley* (22), daughter, helps in business, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Marion Stockley* (18), daughter, helps in business, born Walsall;

[5] *Mabel Stockley* (9), daughter, school, born West Bromwich:

It was sold at auction on 23rd February 1928 for £5,000.

ALBION HOTEL.

PARADISE STREET, WEST BROMWICH.

LICHFIELD CITY BREWERY ALES WINES AND SPIRITS OF THE CHOICEST QUALITY.

TOBACCOOS AND CIGARS OF BEST BRANDS.

EVERY ACCOMMODATION FOR COMMERCIALS. AND GOOD STABLING.

JAMES SMITH, PROPRIETOR.

ANCHOR

Great Bridge Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Moseley [1870]

NOTES

License renewal to *William Moseley* was refused, in September 1870.

ANCHOR

303, (13), High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Raybould, Sams Lane, West Bromwich
Arthur James Price, High Street, West Bromwich
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1908]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]
Enterprise Inns

LICENSEES

Samuel Frier [1840] – [1861]
James Frier [1864]
Samuel Frier [1867] – [1870]
George Matthews [] – **1872**;
James Williams (**1872** – [])
Thomas Lines Turner [1872] – [1873]
William Edwards [1881]
James Jones Raybould [1888] – **1895**);
Mrs. Ruth Raybould (**1895** – **1900**);
William Isaiah Bassett (**1900** – **1906**);
Enos Parsons (**1906** – **1908**);
Elijah Parsons (**1908** – **1912**);
David Brookes (**1912** – **1914**);
Ernest Thomas Morgan (**1914** – **1916**);
Ann Davies (**1916** – **1917**);
Frederick Lingard (**1917** – **1923**);
William Bunn (**1923** – **1935**);
Mrs. Minnie Withers (**1935** – **1944**);
Harry Moseley (**1944** – **1951**);
Howard Hughes (**1951** – **1957**);
Norman Hollyhead (**1957** – [])
N Davies [1992]
Jeff Wakefield [1993]

NOTES

13, High Street [1861]
303, High Street [1881], [1891], [1911]

It was extended to take in the grocer's shop next door.



Samuel Frier, beer retailer, High Street. [1845], [1850], [1858], [1861]

1861 Census

13, High Street – The ANCHOR

- [1] *Samuel Frier* (57), victualler, born Barrow, Leicestershire;
- [2] *Susannah Frier* (48), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *Eliza Frier* (26), daughter, born Tipton;
- [4] *Joseph Crofts* (6), visitor, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 26/6/1875

“On Monday evening the anniversary dinner in connection with the Loyal Hope and Anchor Lodge, MU, was held at the ANCHOR INN, High Street.....”

1881 Census

303, High Street – ANCHOR INN

- [1] *William Edwards* (31), publican, victualler, born Hill Top;
- [2] *Mary Edwards* (33), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Joseph Edwards* (11), son, scholar, born Beoley;
- [4] *Elizabeth Edwards* (10), daughter, scholar, born Eccleshall;
- [5] *Alfred Edwards* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Francis Edwards* (3), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Annie Payton* (14), general servant, born Wordsley:

James Jones Raybould was fined £15 and costs, on 26th November 1888, for three cases of permitting gaming.

He was the son of *John Raybould* and *Mary Ann Jones* (daughter of *James Jones*, brewer of Sams Lane, West Bromwich).

He married *Ruth Summerfield*.

He was a director of West Bromwich Albion. [c. 1888]

1891 Census

303, High Street

- [1] *James J. Raybould* (38), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ruth Raybould* (36), wife, born Lichfield;
- [3] *Fanny Fisher* (24), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

James Raybould was fined £7 and costs, on 13th February 1893, for permitting gaming.

West Bromwich Weekly News 31/3/1900

“The death occurred on Wednesday evening of Mrs. *Raybould*, the genial proprietress of the ANCHOR INN, High Street, and the widow of the late Mr. *James Raybould*. The deceased lady was only confined to her bed since Friday of last week, and her sudden decease has come as a great shock to her relations and friends. It is stated that the end was accelerated by an affection of the heart.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 8/9/1900

“On Tuesday evening an interesting gathering took place at the ANCHOR HOTEL, High Street, when Mr. *Cornelius Cole*, who is leaving West Bromwich to take up an appointment at Earlstown, near Warrington, was entertained at dinner by a few of his intimate friends.....”

William Isaiah Bassett was a footballer. He played for West Bromwich Albion and England. He was born in 1869 in West Bromwich, the son of Charles (a coal agent of Nicholas Street) and Rebecca Bassett.

He married Beatrice Birch, the daughter of *Charles Henry Birch*, of the COMMERCIAL HOTEL, Great Bridge, on 24th June 1900.

He was chairman of West Bromwich Albion from 1908 to 1937.

He died in 1937.

See also DARTMOUTH HOTEL.

1901 Census

303, High Street – ANCHOR INN

[1] *William I. Bassett* (32), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] Beatrice Bassett (27), wife, born Tamworth;

[3] Kathleen M. Bowring (24), barmaid, born Tipperary, Ireland;

[4] Emma Rollason (22), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

303, High Street

[1] *Elijah Parsons* (57), licensed victualler, born Dudley;

[2] Mary Jane Parsons (61), wife, married 36 years, home work, born West Bromwich;

[3] Jane Dunn (84), widow, mother in law, born Sedgley;

[4] Alice Ward (25), boarder, bar assistant, born West Bromwich;

[5] Earnest Leach (24), boarder, bar assistant, born Tipton;

[6] Sarah Potter (20), domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

Elijah Parsons – see also BEEHIVE.

Minnie Withers – see also COTTAGE SPRING, Spon Lane, and CROSS KEYS, Wood Lane.

[2006]

Closed [2007], [2008]

It became a gentleman's club. [2011]



2006



Ex Pub 2012

ANCHOR

160, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Beddow, Brierley Hill
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Thomas Henry Bates, Sponwell Brewery, West Bromwich [1910]
Arnold and Bates Ltd. [1924]
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

George Matthews [1871]
James Williams [] - **1876**;
Richard Morris (**1876 - 1877**);
Mary Ann Morris (**1877 - 1883**);
John Duffield (**1883 - 1889**);
Thomas Henry Neale (**1889 - 1890**);
William Morris (**1890 - 1897**);
Edwin Turton (**1897 - 1901**);
William Morris (**1901 - 1906**);
William Henry Price (**1906 - 1908**);
George Mee (**1908 - 1910**);
Moses Millington (**1910**);
William Thomas Walker (**1910 - 1913**);
Elijah Willis (**1913 - 1915**);
Richard Poulton (**1915 - 1926**);
Edward Fletcher (**1926 - 1931**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Fletcher (**1931 - 1951**);
Thomas Henry Parton (**1951 - 1954**);
Leslie Horace Knight (**1954 - 1957**);
Harold Mallen (**1957 - 1959**);
Harold Fortnam (**1959** - [mid 1960's])

NOTES

It was situated just below Boulton Road, almost opposite the entrance to Sams Lane.

1871 Census

Spon Lane – ANCHOR INN

- [1] *George Matthews* (35), publican and japanner, born Handsworth;
- [2] *Hannah Matthews* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Matthews* (14), son, smith's striker, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Frederick Matthews* (12), son, out of employ, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Ann Matthews* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Jane Matthews* (5), daughter, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [7] *Arthur Matthews* (3), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

160, Spon Lane – ANCHOR INN

- [1] *Mary Ann Morris* (41), widow, publican, born Dudley;
- [2] *Thomas Llewelyn Morris* (15), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Morris* (11), son, scholar, born Otago, New Zealand (British subject);
- [4] *George Morris* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William James Morris* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 10/6/1882

“*William Bowen* (45), was charged at the West Bromwich Police Court, on Monday, with being drunk on the licensed premises of the ANCHOR INN, Spon Lane, West Bromwich, on May 20th.”

[He was fined 10s 6d including costs.]

John Duffield, beer retailer, 160, Spon Lane. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

160, Spon Lane – ANCHOR INN

- [1] *William Morris* (53), beerhouse keeper, born Buckden, Huntingdonshire;
- [2] *Ann Maria Morris* (53), wife, born Monks Kirby, Warwickshire;
- [3] *Florence Miller* (20), niece, born Derby:

William Morris, beer retailer, 160, Spon Lane. [1892], [1900], [1904]

Edwin Turton, beer retailer, 160, Spon Lane. [1900]

1901 Census

160, Spon Lane

- [1] *Edwin Turton* (38), publican, born West Smethwick;
- [2] *Ann Turton* (38), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *William Turton* (13), son, errand boy, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Maud Turton* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Clara Turton* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ethel Turton* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Alfred Turton* (1), son, born West Bromwich:

William H. Price, beer retailer, 160, Spon Lane. [1908]

1911 Census

160, Spon Lane – The ANCHOR INN

- [1] *William Thomas Walker* (56), licensed victualler, born Bristol;
- [2] *Isabella Walker* (55), wife, married 37 years, born Bristol:

William Thomas Walker, beer retailer, 160, Spon Lane. [1912]

Richard Poulton was fined £1 and £1 3s 6d special costs, on 30th December 1915, for giving overmeasure of beer.

Edward Fletcher was married to *Mary Ann*.

He died in 1931.

Teams from here took part in the Spon Lane Dominoes League. [1946], [1951]

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

A full license was granted on 9th February 1956, and confirmed on 18th April 1956.

ARCHERS

Thorneycroft Way, Yew Tree Estate, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Darby's Brewery Ltd.
Bass Ltd. [1992]

LICENSEES

Harold William Rogers **(1955 – 1956);**
Harold Gillard **(1956 – []**

NOTES

It was opened on 29th July 1955 by the Mayor of West Bromwich, Cllr. Mrs. E. W. Guest.

Harold William Rogers – check also HALFWAY HOUSE.

It closed in August 1996 after being damaged by thugs fighting on two occasions, 48 hours apart.

It reopened as The ORCHARD. [2005], [2007]

It was renamed The ARCHERS. [2010]

[2014]



2007



2014

ASBURY TAVERN

Newton Road, Grove Vale, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Ansells Ltd.
Mr. Q's (Punch Taverns)

LICENSEES

Alfred Vernon Evans [] - **1929**);
William Alfred Marson (**1929 - 1932**);
Ernest Kynaston (**1932 - 1933**);
Frank Barber (**1933 - 1935**);
Sidney Gwilt (**1935**);
Carrie Jeanette Flynn (**1935 - 1936**);
Charles Austin Maybury (**1936 - 1947**);
Charles Arthur Scott (**1947 - 1952**);
Reginald Charles Newland (**1952 - 1959**);
Thomas Ward Walker (**1959 - 1960**);
Joseph Beresford (**1960 - []**)

NOTES

It was originally the NEW INN.

It had a beerhouse license.

It was originally under the jurisdiction of Perry Barr.

A full license was granted on 19th March 1954, and confirmed on 14th April 1954.

It was demolished in 1965.

It was rebuilt, and reopened as the NEWTON.

Its name was changed to the ASBURY TAVERN [1998]

It became a bar and restaurant. [2014]



2008

BARREL

2, Cross Street / Smith Street, Lyng, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

James Arkinstall, Littleton Street, West Bromwich
Mrs. Jane Arkinstall, Lyttleton Street, West Bromwich
William Arkinstall, Lyttleton Street, West Bromwich
William Price, Birmingham Road, West Bromwich
Arthur James Price, West Bromwich
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1908]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Jane Arkinstall [1870]
Isaac Baker [1871] - **1874**);
Jabez Pearsall (**1874** - []
James Pearsall [] - **1877**);
Frederick Green (**1877** - **1888**);
Joseph Tipler (**1888** - **1889**);
Joseph John Guest (**1889** - **1891**);
John Rollason (**1891** - **1895**);
John Golding (**1895** - **1904**);
William Wills (**1904**);
Edward Henry Whiting (**1904** - **1906**);
Robert Woolley (**1906** - **1907**);
James Hawkes (**1907**);
Alfred Cooke (**1907** - **1908**);
Mary Hughes (**1908** - **1909**);
William Thomas Walker (**1909**);
Matilda Brooks (**1909** - **1910**);
Benjamin Akroyd (**1910** - **1911**);
Henry Homer Bates (**1911** - **1912**);
Richard Plant (**1912** - **1924**);
Arthur Drew (**1924** - **1932**);
Archibald William Nichols (**1932** - **1940**);
Frederick Howard Carter (**1940** - **1946**);
Mrs. Emily Carter (**1946** - **1957**);
Harriet Bevin (**1957** - **1958**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It was originally unnamed.

Mrs. *Jane Arkinstall*, beer retailer, Cross Street. [1870]

1871 Census

Cross Street – BARREL INN

- [1] *Isaac Baker* (39), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Ann Baker* (36), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Baker* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Tabatha Baker* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Jane Pugh* (20), domestic servant, born New Town, Staffordshire:

Isaac Baker, beer retailer, Cross Street. [1872]

1881 Census

2, Cross Street

- [1] *Frederick Green* (38), publican, born Pershore;
- [2] *Harriet Green* (35), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Green* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George H. Green* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Green* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Green* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Frederick Green* (3), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Ernest Green* (1), son, born West Bromwich:

Frederick Green, beer retailer, 2, Cross Street. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

2, Cross Street – BARRELL INN

- [1] *John Rollason* (33), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Ann Rollason* (30), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Maud Rollason* (6 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

John Rollason, beer retailer, 2, Cross Street. [1892], [1896]

John Golding = John Gelding

John Golding, beer retailer, 2, Cross Street. [1900]

1901 Census

2, Cross Street

- [1] *John Golding* (54), beerhouse keeper, born Chepstow;
- [2] *Elizabeth Golding* (54), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Elizabeth Golding* (17), daughter, born Bilston;
- [4] *Herbert J. Field* (29), son in law, plumber and decorator, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Maud Field* (27), daughter, born Bilston:

John Golding – check CHURCH TAVERN.

William Wills, beer retailer, 2, Cross Street. [1904]

Alfred Cooke = Alfred Cook

Alfred Cooke, beer retailer, 2, Cross Street. [1908]

1911 Census

2, Cross Street

[1] *Benjamin Akroyd* (36), licensed beer retailer, born Ripponden;

[2] *Catherine Florence Akroyd* (24), wife, married 6 months, house duties, born Anglesey:

Frederick Howard Carter was married to *Emily*.

He died in 1946.

The license was surrendered as part of the grant for a new off license in Hamstead.

The house closed on 2nd June 1958.

BARREL WINE VAULTS

187, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Jones [1881]

NOTES

1881 Census

187, High Street – BARREL WINE VAULTS

[1] *William Jones* (65), widower, wine dealer, born Rushuck [Rushock], Worcestershire;

[2] *Frank Jones* (21), son, filer, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Annie Jones* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Frederick Scoltock* (19), boarder, painter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Samuel Scoltock* (16), boarder, painter, born West Bromwich:

BARREL

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Ann Yates [1864] – [1865]

BEAR AND RAGGED STAFF

Dagger Lane, (Sot's Hole), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Reeves [c. 1750's]

NOTES

It was situated between Hill House and Meadow Street.

[1750]

Richard Reeves was nicknamed "Old Sot".

Closed
Demolished

BEEHIVE

112, (48), (44), Brickhouse Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Daniel Lawrence, High Street, Wednesbury (later at West Bromwich)
William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Daniel Lawrence [1868] – [1872]
William Lawrence [] – **1876**;
Mrs. Harriet Lawrence (**1876 – 1878**);
John Snape (**1878 – 1885**);
Elijah Parsons (**1885 – 1908**);
Moses Dunn (**1908 – 1915**);
Joseph Stackhouse (**1915 – 1922**);
Frank Corbett (**1922 – 1926**);
John Thomas Sawry (**1926 – 1937**);
Eric Smith (**1937 – 1948**);
Mrs. Elizabeth (Smith) McGuire (**1948 – []**)
Robert Batchelor [1968]
S Singh [1983]
James Arnold [1992]
Barry Arnold [1994]



c. 1971

NOTES

Brick House [1868]
48, Brickhouse Lane [1889]
44, Brickhouse Lane [1901]
112, Brickhouse Lane [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

Daniel Lawrence, beer retailer, Brickhouse Lane. [1868], [1872]

Elijah Parsons, beer retailer, Brickhouse Lane. [1888], [1892], [1900], [1904], [1908]
Elijah Parsons, 48, Brickhouse Lane. [1889], [1896]

1891 Census

44, Brick House Lane
[1] *Elijah Parsons* (38), beerhouse keeper, born Dudley;
[2] *Mary Jane Parsons* (41), wife, born Tipton;
[3] *Enos Parsons* (13), son, scholar, born Tipton;
[4] *Elizabeth Harris* (23), general servant, born Tipton;
[5] *Emma Harris* (14), general servant, born Tipton:

1901 Census

44, Brickhouse Lane – BEE HIVE INN

- [1] *Elijah Parsons* (47), beer retailer, born Dudley;
- [2] *Mary Jane Parsons* (51), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Jane Dunn* (74), mother in law, widow, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ada Copper* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

112, Brickhouse Lane

- [1] *Moses Dunn* (51), beer retailer, born Tipton;
- [2] *Annie Maria Dunn* (54), wife, married 5 years, born Tipton;
- [3] *Noah Dunn* (27), son, born Tipton;
- [4] *John Arthur Dunn* (25), son, born Tipton;
- [5] *Mary Jane Dunn* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Maud Dunn* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Florrie Cottam* (19), born Tipton:

Moses Dunn, beer retailer, 112, Brickhouse Lane. [1912]

He was fined £3 plus £3 5s 2d special costs, on 10th May 1915, for permitting drunkenness.

Eric Smith was married to *Elizabeth*.

He died in 1948.

A publican's license was granted on 4th February 1960, and confirmed on 12th April 1960.

A pigeon fliers club was based here. [1992], [1994]

It had stables at the rear. [1992]

[2014]



c. 1986



2014

BEEHIVE

246, Great Bridge Street, (Swan Road) / Charles Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Elijah Parsons, Brickhouse Lane
The City Brewery Co. Ltd., Lichfield
Peter Walker and Co., Warrington and Burton on Trent [1900], [1912]
Frederick Smith Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1959]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Davis **(1852 - 1895);**
Charles Ingram **(1895 - 1907);**
Emily Ingram **(1907 - 1909);**
Margaret Donnellan **(1909 - 1910);**
Samuel Raybould **(1910);**
George Jackson **(1910 - 1952);**
Frederick John Whitehouse **(1952 - 1953);**
Frederick George Thomas Rogers **(1953 - 1955);**
Joseph Henry Suffolk **(1955 - 1956);**
William Joseph David Tonkiss **(1956 - 1957);**
Peter Dan Fleming **(1957 - 1960);**
Raymond Smith **(1960);**
Ronald Charles Clarke **(1960 - []**
Leonard Morgan [1969]
Pargon Singh Cheema **[] - 1988):**

NOTES

Swan Road [1879]
246, Great Bridge Street [1881]

Thomas Davis = Thomas Davies

1871 Census

Great Bridge Road
[1] *Thomas Davis* (37), butcher and publican, born Wem, Shropshire;
[2] Helen Davis (41), wife, born Coseley;
[3] Joseph Davis (16), son, born Harts Hill;
[4] Jane Davis (10), daughter, born Swan Village;
[5] Thomas Davis (8), son, scholar, born Swan Village;
[6] Rebekah Davis (7), daughter, scholar, born Swan Village;
[7] Frederick Davis (5), son, scholar, born Swan Village;
[8] Sarah Davis (1), daughter, born Swan Village:

1881 Census

246, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *Thomas Davis* (48), butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ellen Davis* (51), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Thomas Davis* (18), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Frederic Davis* (15), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Samuel Davis* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Emily Davis* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Alfred Davis* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Clara Lavender* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Davis, butcher and beer retailer, 246, Great Bridge Street. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

246, Great Bridge Road – BEEHIVE

- [1] *Thomas Davies* (57), butcher and publican, born Wem, Shropshire;
- [2] *Ellen Davies* (60), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Emily E. Davies* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Alfred W. Davies* (16), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Day* (22), general servant, born Birmingham:

Charles Ingram, butcher and beer retailer, 246, Great Bridge Street. [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

246, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *Charles Ingram* (36), publican, born Heywech (?), Staffordshire;
- [2] *Emily Ingram* (28), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Charles Ingram* (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lizzie Ingram* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alfred Ingram* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Nellie Ingram* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Charles Ingram died in 1907.

1911 Census

BEE HIVE

- [1] *George Jackson* (38), licensed victualler, born Walsall Wood;
- [2] *Florrie Fullelove Jackson* (31), wife, married 7 years, born Brownhills;
- [3] *Howard Jackson* (2), son, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *George Jackson* (7), son, school, born Walsall Wood;
- [5] *Annie Gibson* (19), domestic servant, born Brownhills:

An application was submitted for alterations to the layout in 1912.

George Jackson, beer retailer, 246, Great Bridge Street. [1912]

He was nicknamed "Monkey".

The smoke room was renamed 'The Monkey Pen' after him.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 20th April 1949.

It closed on 22nd August 1988.

Demolished

BILLIARD HALL

5, St. Michael's Ringway, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

J. D. Wetherspoon

LICENSEES

Andrew Summers [2002] manager

Jason Kelly [2006] manager

Luke Smith [2008] manager

Tony Carty [2013] manager

NOTES

It was originally a billiard hall, which opened on 13th August 1913.
The architect was Albert Bye of West Bromwich.

It opened as a Wetherspoon's pub.

[2000]

[2014]



2003



2014

BIRD IN HAND

9, (19), Phoenix Street, Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Dudley, Phoenix Street, West Bromwich
Joseph Slim
W. Hartland, Dudley Road, West Bromwich
John Hartland
James W. Hartland, West Bromwich
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1900]

LICENSEES

Joseph Slim [] - **1875**);
Noah Granger (**1875 - 1877**);
Henry Davies (**1877 - 1882**);
John Fereday (**1882**);
Mary Ann Fereday (**1882 - 1884**);
Josiah Hadley (**1884**);
James Baker (**1884 - 1885**);
Aaron Garner (**1885 - 1887**);
Mrs. Caroline Howard (**1887 - 1888**);
Alfred Duckworth (**1888 - 1893**);
John Parton (**1893 - 1895**);
David Holding (**1895**);
Mrs. Rose Hannah (Holding) Care (**1895 - 1896**);
Mrs. Mary Parton (**1896 - 1902**);
John Patrick (**1902 - 1903**);
Fred Jones (**1903 - 1906**);
Samuel Baker (**1906 - 1907**);
James Hale (**1907**);
John Kettell (**1907 - 1908**);
Albert William Henry Pursey (**1908**);
George Clark (**1908 - 1909**);
Walter Henry Carpenter (**1909 - 1910**);
John Hill (**1910 - 1911**);
Mervyn Arnold (**1911 - 1912**);
Albert Griffin Jr. (**1912 - 1913**);
James Ellis (**1913 - 1915**);
William 'Caggy' Roberts (**1915 - 1922**);
John Roberts (**1922 - 1927**);
Eliza Yates (**1927 - 1928**);
George Henry Moore (**1928 - 1929**);
William Read (**1929 - 1930**);
Thomas Whitehouse (**1930 - 1931**);
Albert Elwell (**1931 - 1932**);
Archibald Seton Pugh (**1932 - 1933**);
Walter Ernest Baker (**1933 - 1956**);
Alfred Carl Ryan (**1956 - 1957**);
William Ford (**1957 - []**)



Ronald Booker [1982]
Kate Elson [1992] – [1993]

NOTES

19, Phoenix Street [1881], [1891], [1892], [1912]
9, Phoenix Street

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

19, Phoenix Street
[1] Henry Davies (44), publican, born Clatton, Shropshire;
[2] Sophia Davies (50), wife, born Shropshire;
[3] Henry Davies (15), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;
[4] Thomas Davies (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[5] Jane Davies (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[6] Humphrey Davies (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 27/8/1885

“Aaron Garner, a publican, of Phoenix Street, Swan Village, was summoned for non-payment of a poor rate amounting to £1 6s 8d.....”

[The case was dismissed on his paying the costs.]

Mrs. Caroline Howard, beer retailer, 19, Phoenix Street. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

19, Phoenix Street – BIRD IN HAND INN
[1] Alfred Duckworth (39), public house manager and iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
[2] Eliza Duckworth (30), wife, born Rowley;
[3] Howard Duckworth (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[4] Edith Duckworth (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[5] Alice M. Dckworth (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Alfred Duckworth, beer retailer, 19, Phoenix Street. [1892]

Mrs. Rose Hannah Holding, beer retailer, 19, Phoenix Street. [1896]

Mrs. Mary Parton, beer retailer, 19, Phoenix Street. [1900]

Fred Jones, beer retailer, 19, Phoenix Street. [1904]

Albert Henry Pursey, beer retailer, 19, Phoenix Street. [1908]

Mervyn Arnold, beer retailer, 19, Phoenix Street. [1912]

See also LION, High Street, WHEEL, Elwell Street, RED LION, Oldbury Road, and GOLDEN CUP, Great Bridge Street.

A full license was granted on 12th February 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

It closed on 26th May 1999.

It was converted into a pizza shop.

BIRD IN HAND

68, Queen Street / Castle Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Adams, Hill Top
Samuel Woodhall, High Street, West Bromwich
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1938]

LICENSEES

Jethro Adams [1864] – [1888]
John Adams [] – **1889**);
John Hawthorn (**1889 – 1937**);
Leslie William Rhodes (**1937 – 1939**);
Walter Charles Goodman (**1939 – 1944**);
Robert William Morgan (**1944 – 1945**);
Horace George Hemming (**1945 – 1952**);
George Hunt (**1952 – 1960**);
Jack Wright (**1960 – 1966**);

NOTES

Castle Street [1889]

It had a beerhouse license.

Jethro Adams, beer retailer, Queen Street, Hill Top. [1864], [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

Queen Street

- [1] *Jethro Adams* (35), publican and pawnbroker, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Ann Adams (41), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Emma Adams (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Unice Adams (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Priscilla Adams (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Louisa Adams (4) daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Jethro Adams, pawnbroker and beer retailer, Queen Street, Hill Top. [1872], [1888]

1881 Census

68, Queen Street – BIRD IN HAND

- [1] *Jethro Adams* (45), beer seller and pawnbroker, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Ann Adams (50), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Eunice Adams (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Priscilla Adams (21), daughter, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/7/1881

“On Tuesday morning a boatman found the body of Henry Butler (7), the son of Henry Butler, ironworker, Castle Street, Hill Top, in the Birmingham Canal.

An inquest was held on the above on Thursday, at the BIRD IN HAND, Hill Top, before Mr. E. Hooper. The Jury returned a verdict of Accidentally Drowned.”

1891 Census

68, Queen Street – BIRD IN HAND

- [1] *John Hawthorn* (34), beerhouse keeper, born Willenhall;
- [2] *Sarah A. Hawthorn* (33), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Hawthorn* (7), son, scholar, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Sarah A. Hawthorn* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Martha E. Hawthorn* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

John Hawthorn, beer retailer, 68, Queen Street, Hill Top. [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912]
He issued tokens from here.

1911 Census

68, Queen Street – BIRD IN HAND

- [1] *John Hawthorn* (53), beerhouse keeper, born Willenhall;
- [2] *Sarah Ann Hawthorn* (51), wife, married 30 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Frank Sainsbury* (29), son in law, glass blower, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Martha Elizabeth Sainsbury* (26), daughter, married 3 years, born Hateley Heath;
- [5] *James Ernest Sainsbury* (2), son, born Hill Top:

John Hawthorn died on 8th March 1937.

A publican's license was granted on 12th February 1948, confirmed on 21st April 1948.

It closed on 8th November 1966.

BLACK BOY

45, Lyndon Street, (All Saints Street), (9, Lyndon), (Lyne), (Charlemont), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Morris, Hargate Lane, West Bromwich

Mrs. Mary Edwards, Ring o' Bells, Churchfield, West Bromwich [1910]

Thomas Oliver Ltd. [1918]

Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1931]

LICENSEES

Thomas Simmonds [1818]

Thomas Salmons [1828] – [1835]

Mary Salmons [1841] – [1842]

Thomas Brooks [1845]

Richard Aston [1851]

George Bridgwood [1855]

Thomas Brookes [1858] – [1870]

Susan Brookes [] – **1870**);

Somerset McQuead (**1870 – 1871**);

William Brooks (**1871 – []**)

William Morris [1888] – [1889]

Thomas Edwards [1891] – **1908**);

George Phipps Faulkner (**1908 – 1923**);

George Woodhall (**1923**);

Thomas Stephen Baker (**1923 – 1926**);

Sarah Baker (**1926 – 1927**);

Abraham Baker (**1927 – 1928**);

David Arthur Darby (**1928 – 1929**);

John Roberts (**1929 – 1931**);

William Edward Tonkinson (**1931 – 1932**);

NOTES

Lyne [1828]

9, Lyndon [1861]

Charlemont [1870]

45, Lyndon [1891], [1911]

All Saints Street [1911]

45, Lyndon Street

OLD BLACK BOY [1861]

Thomas Salmons = Thomas Salmon

Thomas Brookes, beer retailer, Lyndon. [1858]

1861 Census

9, Lyndon

[1] *Thomas Brookes* (59), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Susan Brookes* (58), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Thomas Brookes* (17), son, born West Bromwich:

Somerset McQuaid, beer retailer, Charlemont. [1870]

1871 Census

Lyndon

[1] *Somerset McQuead* (38), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Emma Mc Quead* (33), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Annie McQuead* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Somerset McQuead was also a wheelwright. [1872]

West Bromwich Weekly News 21/5/1881

“On Monday a meeting of miners was held at the BLACK BOY INN, Lyndon, West Bromwich, to consider the question of the proposed mutual insurance scheme.

A miner presided.

Mr. H. Rust (Oldbury) pointed out that they were met to consider a most important question – a subject which would not only affect the interests of the miners in the present day, but also the interests of miners in the future. They were all aware that the Employers’ Liability Act came into operation at the beginning of this year, and there was a great dissatisfaction concerning that law. To a certain extent the act was very good, but they believed that it did not meet the needs of the miners, as there were very many ways in which the employers could get out of paying compensation.....”

William Morris, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 85, Hargate Lane and BLACK BOY, Lyndon. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

45, Lyndon

[1] *Thomas Edwards* (28), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Edwards* (29), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Mary Morris* (75), grandmother, widow, born Tipton:

1901 Census

Lyndon – BLACK BOY

[1] *Thomas Edwards* (38), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Edwards* (38), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Mary Walters* (24), general servant, born West Bromwich:

T. Edwards was a committee member of West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers’ Association. [1902]

1911 Census

45, Lyndon

- [1] *George Phipps Faulkner* (32), licensed victualler, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Annie Faulkner* (31), wife, married 7 years, assistant in business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Pamela Faulkner* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Martha Faulkner* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Faulkner* (5 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eliza Inglefield* (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

The license was removed to premises situate at Crankhall Lane, West Bromwich, and known as the FRIAR PARK INN beerhouse.

The premises closed for Licensing Purposes on 1st May 1932.

BLACK BOY

Tenscore Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

George Robert Hope [1873]

BLACK COCK

79, Guns Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Nicholls

William Price, Bagnall Street, West Bromwich (later at Birmingham Road)

Arthur James Price, High Street

Holders Brewery Ltd. [1909]

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

Centric

Enterprise Inns [2002]

LICENSEES

William Beddoes []

William Nicholls* [1864] – [1872]

William Nicholls* [] – **1879**;

William Griffiths (**1879**);

George Standing (**1879 – 1881**);

John Hands (**1881 – 1883**);

George Dyke (**1883 – 1884**);

John Gadd (**1884 – 1889**);

Edward Clemson (**1889 – 1907**);

Mrs. Sarah Clemson (**1907 – 1909**);

Samuel Green (**1909 – 1911**);

Mrs. Matilda Brookes (**1911 – 1912**);

Aaron Brocklehurst (**1912 – 1913**);

Thomas Bridges (**1913 – 1914**);

Agnes Woodhall (**1914 – 1926**);

David Henry Brooks (**1926 – 1931**);

Frank Robinson (**1931 – 1938**);

Fred Birch (**1938 – 1940**);

John Henry Richards (**1940 – 1941**);

Clara (Richards) Day (**1941 – 1943**);

William Percy Day (**1943 – 1952**);

Jack Bodley (**1952 – 1956**);

Thomas William Lefevre (**1956 – []**)

John Sippetts [1984]

Joanna Mary Henley [1986]

Sandra Radford [1992]

Glen Edwards [1993]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It was originally called the WELLINGTON until the 1880's.

Black Country Bugle (March 1984) - Pub of the Month

“Legend has it that the original beerhouse on the site was financed by the proceeds of a special breed of fighting cocks Smacker's Black Uns One of these [beerhouses] was kept by *William Beddoes* The *Beddoes* had long been known as the Smackers Their famous breed proved extremely profitable and provided ample proceeds for the conversion of their humble beerhouse into a sizeable tavern.”

William Nicholls, beer retailer, Guns Lane. [1864], [1872]

* probably the same person

1881 Census

79, Guns Lane

- [1] *John Hands* (49), beer seller and contractor, born Jilever Coaton (?);
- [2] *Mary Ann Hands* (48), wife, born Nuneaton;
- [3] *Lucy Taylor* (13), niece, servant, born Coventry;
- [4] *Ernest Worsey* (23), son in law, boat steerer, born Darlaston;
- [5] *George N. Worsey*, son, born Walsall:

Wednesbury Herald 8/10/1881

“On Wednesday afternoon an inquest was held before Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, at the BLACK COCK INN, Guns Lane, West Bromwich, upon the body of *William Lavender* (57), puddler, formerly residing in Duke Street.

Eliza Lavender said the deceased went to bed on Saturday night between ten and eleven o'clock. He was strange in his manner and excited. Early on Sunday morning he got up and dressed himself, and calling out for her (witness) to escape, as the roof was falling in, he ran into the back room and jumped through the window. He died a few hours afterwards.

In answer to the Coroner witness said deceased had been under medical treatment nine weeks, and at times was given to intemperate habits.

The jury returned a verdict of Suicide while in an unsound state of mind.”

Smethwick Telephone 10/5/1884

“Inquest at the BLACK COCK INN, Guns Lane *Mary Ann Eliza Maley* (5 weeks) convulsions natural death.”

John Gadd, beer retailer, 79, Guns Lane. [1888]

1891 Census

79, Guns Lane

- [1] *Edward Clemson* (23), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Clemson* (26), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lizzie Johnson* (15), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

Edward Clemson, beer retailer, 79, Guns Lane. [1896], [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

79, Guns Lane

- [1] *Edward Clemson* (33), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Clemson* (36), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Gertrude Clemson* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joseph E. Clemson* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Glays D. Clemson* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary E. Hill* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 23/11/1901

“The annual open show of working homers in connection with the West Bromwich Homing Society was held on Saturday and Sunday last in the assembly room of the BLACK COCK INN, Guns Lane, West Bromwich. There were 235 entries for the various classes – a large increase compared with any previous show – and the quality of the exhibits was in many respects considerably above the average. Mr. William Grigg, of Smethwick, acted as judge.....”

Mrs. Sarah Clemson, beer retailer, 79, Guns Lane. [1908]

Mrs. Matilda Brookes, beer retailer, 79, Guns Lane. [1912]

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

[1997]

Closed [2002]

It was converted into a house. [2003]



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1997

BLACK HORSE

248, (296), (294+296), Great Bridge Street, (Swan Road), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Edward Allen, Allerton Road, Northampton
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Hampton [] - **1870**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Cole (**1870 - 1873**);
William Ray (**1873 - 1876**);
Alfred Davis (**1876 - 1894**);
John Sheldon (**1894 - 1913**);
Samuel Lunn (**1913 - 1915**);
Emily Sheldon (**1915**);
Jose Lopez Perez (**1915 - 1927**):

NOTES

294+296, Great Bridge Street [1881], [1891]
296, Great Bridge Street [1888], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904]
148, Great Bridge Street [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

It was originally the MINERS ARMS

1871 Census

Great Bridge Road

[1] *Elizabeth Cole* (44), MINERS ARMS, publican, born Radnor;
[2] Charlotte Whinfield (25), domestic servant, born Harborne:

Mrs. *Elizabeth Cole*, beer retailer, Great Bridge Street. [1872]

1881 Census

294-296, Great Bridge Street – BLACK HORSE

[1] *Alfred Davis* (26), publican, born Dudley;
[2] Ada Florence Davis (21), wife, born Dudley;
[3] Alexander James Davis (4), son, scholar, born Great Bridge;
[4] Ernest Davis (1), son, born Great Bridge;
[5] Ada Florence Davis (under 1 month), daughter, born Great Bridge;
[6] Mary Woodhouse (17), general domestic servant, born Dudley:

Alfred Davis, beer retailer, 296, Great Bridge Street. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

294+296, Great Bridge Road – BLACK HORSE INN

- [1] *Alfred Davis* (37), beerhouse keeper, born Dudley;
- [2] *Ada F. Davis* (31), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *Alexander J. Davis* (14), son, engine fitter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ernest Davis* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mabel B. Davis* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alfred J. Davis* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Beatrice L. Davis* (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Arthur H. Davis* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *George A. Davis* (5 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Sarah Williams* (59), mother in law, widow, born Dudley;

John Sheldon, beer retailer, 296, Great Bridge Street. [1896], [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

296, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *John Sheldon* (44), metal roller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Elizabeth Sheldon* (36), wife, born Smethwick;
- [3] *John George Sheldon* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jennie Sheldon* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Maud Elizabeth Sheldon* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Simeon Whitehouse* (64), father in law, widower, retired metal roller, born Langley Green;
- [7] *Polly Neadle* (23), general servant, born West Bromwich;

1911 Census

296, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *John Sheldon* (54), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane E. Sheldon* (46), wife, married 19 years, born Smethwick;
- [3] *John G. Sheldon* (18), son, brass moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jenny Sheldon* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Maud E. Sheldon* (11), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Edith A. Parsons* (23), general servant, born Tipton;

John Sheldon, beer retailer, 248, Great Bridge Street. [1912]

Jose Lopez Perez was married to *Rose*,

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1926.

The license renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 22nd June 1926.

The license was extinguished on 31st May 1927.

Demolished

BLACK PONY

49, Reform Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Ann Miller
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Mrs. Ann Miller [1870] - **1882**;
Samuel Ashbury (**1882 - 1888**);
Isaiah Ashton (**1888 - 1889**);
William Roberts (**1889 - 1892**);
Robert Bates (**1892 - 1893**);
William Taylor (**1893 - 1898**);
Thomas Hadley (**1898 - 1900**);
Henry Davis (**1900**);
William Taylor (**1900 - 1902**);
Harriet Taylor [1901]
James Kendrick (**1902 - 1903**);
David Albert Scott (**1903 - []**)
Albert S Dawes [1904]
William John Richards [1908]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

49, Reform Street - BLACK PONY

- [1] *Ann Miller* (69), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Miller* (32), daughter, widow, laundress, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Rose Duffell* (13), daughter, domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Duffell* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Annie Duffell* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Isabella Duffell* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Emma Duffell* (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *William Miller* (46), boarder, carter, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Ann Miller, beer retailer and shopkeeper, Reform Street. [1872]

1881 Census

49, Reform Street – BLACK PONY

- [1] *Ann Miller* (69), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Miller* (32), daughter, laundress, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Rose Duffell* (13), daughter, domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Duffell* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Annie Duffell* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Isabella Duffell* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Emma Duffell* (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *William Mullix* (46), boarder, carter, born West Bromwich:

Samuel Ashbury, beer retailer, 49, Reform Street. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

49, Reform Street – BLACK HORSE INN

- [1] *William Roberts* (37), manager for brewer, born Aigburth, Liverpool;
- [2] *Kathleen Roberts* (37), wife, assistant, born Kings Heath:

William Roberts, beer retailer, 49, Reform Street. [1892]

William Taylor, beer retailer, 49, Reform Street. [1896]

Thomas Hadley, beer retailer, 49, Reform Street. [1900]

1901 Census

49, Reform Street – BLACK PONY

- [1] *William Taylor* (47), roll turner (iron), born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Taylor* (48), wife, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Rachel Taylor* (9), grandchild, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Minnie Johnson* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 6/9/1901

“*William Watkiss* (34), Cronehills Street, West Bromwich, was summoned for being drunk on the licensed premises of the BLACK PONY INN, Reform Street, West Bromwich, kept by *William Taylor*, on the 22nd ult.

Mr. James Clark defended.

Inspector Aldridge spoke to visiting the house on the night in question when he observed the defendant asleep in the bar. On arousing him witness found that the man was drunk, and he was taken home by a man in the house.

Sergeant Hooper gave corroborative evidence.

For the defence Mr. Clark argued that the police had made a mistake as to the man's condition. He was not drunk, but was lame, and doubtless when the officers saw him walk they came to the conclusion that he was intoxicated.

Mrs. *Taylor*, wife of the landlord, and defendant gave evidence.

The magistrates considered that there was a doubt in the case, and of this they gave the defendant the benefit.

The case was accordingly dismissed.”

Smethwick Weekly News 12/10/1901

“On the application of James Clark, the temporary transfer of the license of he BLACK PONY INN, Reform Street, West Bromwich, was granted to *James Kendrick* from *William Taylor*.

Mr. *Kendrick* said he was gong to take 7 years lease of the house.”

Albert S. Dawes, beer retailer, 49, Reform Street. [1904]

William John Richards, beer retailer, 49, Reform Street. [1908]

Closed
Demolished

BOAT

5, Canalside, (5, Old Row), Golds Hill, (Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Burgess

Hickman and Pullen Ltd. [1919]

George Norman Bridgewater, Victoria Brewery, Cradley Heath. [1928]

Millward Brothers, Albrighton Maltings. [1933]

LICENSEES

Elizabeth Hall [1871]

Thomas Hale [] - **1880**);

John Foster (**1880**);

Thomas Burgess (**1880 - 1885**);

Daniel Robert Bishop (**1885 - 1899**);

William Harris (**1899 - 1900**);

John Bishop (**1900 - 1910**);

Herbert Francis (**1910 - 1919**);

Mrs. Florence Ann Francis (**1919 - 1937**):

NOTES

5, Old Row [1891]

It was situated at the canal junction at Brades Bridge.

It had a beerhouse license.

Elizabeth Hall was fined 20s and costs for selling alcohol during prohibited hours, in August 1871.

Wednesbury Herald 15/1/1881

“At the Tipton Police Court on Monday, before W. L. Underhill and James Sully, Esqrs., John Burgess, ironworker, was charged with attempting to blow up a public house, occupied by his father, whereby the lives of several people were endangered.

Mr. Sheldon, who appeared for the father, stated that his client wished him to mention that he would be satisfied if the magistrates would bind the prisoner over to keep the peace, as he did not believe he would have committed the act if he had not been in a drunken state. He had been drinking day by day for some time.

Mr. Underhill said they would hear the evidence first.

Thomas Burgess, father of the prisoner, said he kept the BOAT INN, at Gold's Hill, West Bromwich. On Saturday night, the prisoner came to his house, and asked for something to drink but he refused to give him any.

Joseph Burgess, ironworker, and brother to the prisoner, said he was sent for by his mother. When he arrived at the BOAT INN, the prisoner was there. His brother Phillip asked his mother to give him a half pint of ale for his brother, the prisoner, but she said that she could not. Prisoner then said, ‘Shut your eyes; I am going to blow you away.’ He then produced a can containing gunpowder, and was in the act of throwing it into the fire when witness knocked it out of his hands.

Police-constable Sheldon produced some of the powder which fell out of the can on the floor.

The Magistrates' Clerk (Mr. Underhill) said as the brother Phillip was not present, they would have to adjourn the case. He was a very important witness in the case, as he seized the can when it was knocked out of the prisoner's hands.

Mr. Superintendent Holland said he wished to summon a witness who heard the prisoner make use of other threats after this occurrence. The prisoner was then remanded until Monday next."

Wednesbury Herald 22/1/1881

"At the Tipton Police Court on Monday, Thomas Burgess, puddler, of Golds Hill, was charged on remand with attempting to blow up the licensed premises of the BOAT, Golds Hill, which were in the occupation of his father. Mr. Sheldon appeared to prosecute, and said the case had been adjourned for additional evidence to be forthcoming. The brother, Philip Burgess, was then called, and said that he gave some gunpowder to the prisoner on the 4th November last, for the purpose of rabbiting and ratting, and the can produced was the same which contained the explosives.

Charles Clarke proved that on the night of the 8th inst the prisoner came into the bar and asked to be served with drink. This was refused him, upon which he said, 'All right; shut your eyes; I will blow you all to ____ hell.' He then got up and was about to throw something on the fire, but one of the Burgesses knocked the tin can containing the powder out of his hand, some of the powder being scattered about the floor. The tin of powder was picked up, and for safety at once thrown into an adjoining canal. It was recovered and produced in court, still containing about half a pound of powder.

Other evidence was given of a conflicting character, one witness swearing that prisoner was perfectly sober, and the others that he was so drunk he did not know what he was doing.

The prisoner was committed to the Assizes for trial, bail being refused on the ground that the Assizes would be held next week."

1881 Census

BOAT INN

- [1] *Thomas Burgess* (59), beer retailer, born Derbyshire;
- [2] *Ann Burgess* (58), wife, born Gloucestershire;
- [3] *Joseph Burgess* (23), son, iron worker, born Staffordshire;
- [4] *Maria Burgess* (16), daughter, born Staffordshire;
- [5] *Jane Pegg* (21), daughter, born Staffordshire;
- [6] *Mary A. Birch* (10), granddaughter, born Staffordshire;
- [7] *Ann Burgess* (3), granddaughter, born Staffordshire:

Wednesbury Herald 11/6/1881

"*Thomas Burgess*, landlord of the BOAT INN, Golds Green, was summoned for having a quantity of sugar in an unauthorised place, and which was intended to be used in lieu of malt.

Mr. Thomas Hudson, the supervisor of excise for the Wednesbury district, said the prosecution was a rather important one, and was the first of the kind that had taken place in the district. The excise authorities were not desirous for pressing for a heavy penalty, but wanted to show brewers and the public in general that it was not legal for sugar to be stored in the cellar in the way in which it was alleged the defendant had done.

John Orlando Daniel, officer of excise, and formerly supervisor for the Wednesbury district, said on the 15th March he visited the defendant's premises at Golds Green, and upon entering the cellar, which was registered as a place for strong beer, he found a parcel of sugar on the head of one of the barrels. Knowing that it was illegal for sugar to be placed in the cellar, he asked the brewer what he had been doing with the sugar, and he replied that he had just put a handful into two casks of ale which he had racked. He informed the man it was illegal to use sugar in the cellar, and the brewer replied, 'Everybody does it.' He subsequently saw the defendant and told him that he must seize the sugar and report to the Board. Upon asking defendant for an explanation, said he knew nothing of the sugar as he left the brewing to the brewer. The whole of the beer was fully manufactured.

In reply to Mr. Farley, the officer stated that a duty was imposed on sugar which was placed in beer, consequently a fraud had been committed upon the revenue.

Robert Henry Hampshaw Ingram, also an officer of excise, corroborated.

The defendant said he had not the slightest intention of defrauding the revenue.

Mr. Daniel being recalled, stated that a handful of sugar placed in beer must increase the alcoholic strength, as the sugar would ferment, and form spirit. He thought it only right that he should state that for every 56lbs weight of sugar used during the manufacture of beer, a duty of 6s 3d was imposed.

Mr. Hudson said that although he believed defendant did not intend to defraud the revenue, he submitted that defendant had committed an offence by permitting sugar to be put in a room which was not duly entered.

Defendant said he had nothing to do with the brewing and had no idea that his man had any sugar in the cellar.

The Bench said they believed that defendant had no intention of defrauding the revenue, but as the sugar had been found in an unauthorised place, they should inflict a minimal penalty of 20s and costs.”

Wednesbury Herald 21/1/1882

“On Wednesday afternoon Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner), held an inquest at the BOAT INN, Golds Hill, respecting the death of Rosannah Crumpton (76), who was found drowned in the Birmingham Canal on Sunday morning.

The evidence showed that on the Saturday night the deceased accidentally fell into the canal and was drowned.

A verdict of Accidental Death was returned.”

Wednesbury Herald 28/2/1882

“Gideon Burgess, Golds Hill, was charged with refusing to quit the BOAT INN, Golds Hill, occupied by his father, *Thomas Burgess*.

On the afternoon of the 11th inst, the defendant came into the house, and for two hours used the most abusive language to the customers. The prosecutor was continually being annoyed by his sons, one of whom (not the defendant) was tried at Stafford Assizes and acquitted for trying to blow up the house.

The defendant was ordered to pay a fine of 5s and costs, and enter into his own recognisances in the sum of £10, and one surety in £5, to keep the peace for twelve months; in default of a surety to be imprisoned for two months, with hard labour.

The Stipendiary remarked that defendant had been guilty of disgraceful conduct.”

1891 Census

5, Old Row – BOAT INN

[1] *Dan Bishop* (39), retail brewer, born Cholesbury, Buckinghamshire;

[2] *Ann Bishop* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Dan Burgess Bishop* (9), son, scholar, born Oxford;

[4] *Oscar Percy Bishop* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Maud Maria Bishop* (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Thomas Bishop* (3), son, born West Bromwich;

[7] *John Bishop* (1), son, born West Bromwich;

[8] *Harold Bishop* (1 month), son, born West Bromwich:

Daniel R. Bishop, beer retailer, Golds Hill. [1892], [1895]

1901 Census

5, Old Row – BOAT INN

[1] *John Bishop* (66), retail brewer, born Colebury, Buckinghamshire;

[2] *Martha Bishop* (54), wife, housekeeper, born Cholesbury, Buckinghamshire;

[3] *Dan Bishop* (49), brother, living on own business, born Cholesbury, Buckinghamshire;

[4] *Ann Bishop* (45), sister in law, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Catherine Gardner* (71), visitor, born Hanridge, Buckinghamshire;

[6] *Percy Bishop* (17), nephew, iron roller, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Maud Bishop* (14), niece, born West Bromwich;

[8] *Maria Burgess* (15), domestic servant, born Hanley, Staffordshire;

[9] *John Bishop* (11), nephew, born West Bromwich;

[10] *Harold Bishop* (10), nephew, born West Bromwich;

[11] *Anne S. Bishop* (7), niece, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

Golds Hill – BOAT INN

[1] *Herbert Francis* (28), warehouseman, born Hill Top;

[2] *Florence Francis* (28), wife, married 5 years, landlady of public house, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Florence Beatrice Francis* (4), daughter;

[4] *Harold Francis* (2), son;

[5] *Herbert John Francis* (1), son;

[6] *Jane Timmiss* (17), general servant, born Wednesbury:

Herbert Francis died in 1919.

The license renewal was not applied for on 11th February 1937.

The license was surrendered as from 25th March 1937 in consideration of the sanction to the rebuilding of premises known as the HALFWAY HOUSE beerhouse, Old Meeting Street.

It became a private dwelling.

BOAT

164, (36), Greets Green Road, (Oldbury Road), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

James Davis, Greets Green
Thomas Newman
Elizabeth Newman, Greets Green
Samuel Woodhall, High Street, West Bromwich
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Newman [1870] – **1880**;
Mrs. Elizabeth Newman (**1880 – 1887**);
John Lea (**1887 – 1888**);
Thomas Harris (**1888 – 1895**);
Mrs. Sarah Whitehouse (**1895 – 1914**);
William Draper Jnr. (**1914 – 1927**);
Ethel May Draper (**1927 – 1928**);
Henry Jones (**1928 – 1961**);
Robert Charles Phillips (**1961 – 1963**):

NOTES

36, Greets Green Road [1881], [1888], [1889], [1891], [1896], [1900]
164, Greets Green Road [1904], [1908], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Newman, beer retailer, Greets Green Road. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Canalside – BOAT INN

- [1] *Thomas Newman* (43), innkeeper, born Holt, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Newman* (48), wife, born Greets Green;
- [3] *John Newman* (15), son, iron worker, born Greets Green;
- [4] *Coleman Newman* (12), son, scholar, born Greets Green;
- [5] *William Newman* (10), son, scholar, born Greets Green;
- [6] *Elizabeth Newman* (8), daughter, scholar, born Greets Green:

1881 Census

36, Greets Green Road

- [1] *Elizabeth Newman* (59), widow, beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Newman* (17), daughter, born Great Bridge;
- [3] *Nellie Lemmon* (5), granddaughter, born Handsworth;
- [4] *Julia Raybone* (13), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

John Lea = John Lee

John Lea, beer retailer, 36, Greets Green Road. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

36, Greets Green Road

- [1] *Thomas Harris* (43), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Martha Harris* (42), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Isaiah Harris* (20), son, puddler, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Harris* (18), son, iron puddler, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Edward Harris* (16), son, iron puddler, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Ann Harris* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Martha Harris* (12), daughter, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [8] *Sarah Harris* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Samuel Harris* (3), son, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Harris, beer retailer, 36, Greets Green Road. [1892]

Mrs. Sarah Whitehouse, beer retailer, 36, Greets Green Road. [1896], [1900]

Mrs. Sarah Whitehouse, beer retailer, 164, Greets Green Road. [1904], [1908], [1912]

She was fined 40s and costs on 5th July 1897 for permitting drunkenness.

1911 Census

Greets Green – BOAT INN

- [1] *Sarah Whitehouse* (65), unmarried, publican, born Darlaston;
- [2] *Tom Whitehouse* (63), brother, unmarried, born Darlaston;
- [3] *Edith Breakwell* (20), domestic servant, born Tipton:

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946], [1948]

It closed in November 1963.

BOAT

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Pearson [1870]

NOTES

The license renewal to *William Pearson* was refused in September 1870.

BOILERMAKERS ARMS

25, (23), (22), Ryder Street, (Great Bridge Street) / William Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Edward Whitehouse
Joseph Whitehouse
Mrs. Ann Worrall, Avondale, Charlemont Road, West Bromwich
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1942]

LICENSEES

Edward Ellis* [1868] – [1872]
Edmund Ellis* [1873]
Edward Whitehouse [1881] – **1905**;
Edward James Whitehouse **(1905 – 1906)**;
Joseph Worrall **(1906 – 1908)**;
Joseph Whitehouse **(1908 – 1914)**;
Joseph Worrall **(1914 – 1930)**;
James William Harris **(1930 – 1944)**;
George Henry Patchett Turner **(1944 – 1953)**;
Michael Conway **(1953 – 1955)**;

NOTES

Great Bridge Street [1868], [1870]
William Street [1871]
Ryder Street
22, Ryder Street [1881]
23, Ryder Street [1891], [1911]
25, Ryder Street [1908]

It stood opposite to the works of Josiah Guest & Son.

It was known locally as "Worralls".

1871 Census

William Street
[1] *Edward Ellis* (34), carpenter and publican, born Warwick;
[2] *Hannah Ellis* (34), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] *John N. Ellis* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[4] *Julia Ellis* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[5] *Edward Ellis* (5), son, born West Bromwich;
[6] *Louisa Ellis* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[7] *Joseph H. Ellis* (1), son, born West Bromwich:

Edward Ellis, beer retailer, Ryder Street. [1872]

* possibly the same person

1881 Census

22, Ryder Street

- [1] *Edward Whitehouse* (42), publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *Hannah Whitehouse* (40), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Emily Whitehouse* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edward Whitehouse* (20), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William Whitehouse* (16), son, iron worker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *George Whitehouse* (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Lizzie Whitehouse* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

23, Ryder Street – BOILER MAKERS ARMS

- [1] *Edward Whitehouse* (61), public house keeper, born Tipton;
- [2] *Hannah Whitehouse* (56), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *George Whitehouse* (24), son, barman, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Whitehouse* (9), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Whitehouse* (6), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Ann Edwards* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

23, Ryder Street

- [1] *Joseph Whitehouse* (60), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Alice Whitehouse* (62), wife, married 2 years, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Edward Whitehouse* (28), son, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Worrall married *Ann*, the daughter of *Edward* [James?] *Whitehouse*.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946]

The Ordinary Removal of the full license from here to the VINE INN (beerhouse), Dartmouth Street, was granted on 10th March 1955, and confirmed on 19th April 1955.
The premises closed on 19th April 1955.



Licensee Edward Whitehouse

BOOT AND SLIPPER

114, (52), Sandwell Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Holmes, Sandwell Road, West Bromwich.

Richard Dipple, Lodge Road, West Bromwich

Penn Brewery Co. Ltd.

Burton Brewery Co. Ltd. [1898]

Captain Haden, Netherby, Sedgley [1903]

Thomas Underwood Oliver Ltd., Sandwell Brewery, West Bromwich [1911]

William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]

LICENSEES

William Holmes* [1858] – 1861]

William Holmes* [1868] – **1878**);

Mrs. Elizabeth Holmes (**1878 – 1883**);

Richard Dipple (**1883 – 1884**);

Thomas Reeves (**1884 – 1885**);

Alfred Sandland (**1885 – 1886**);

George Burr Rose (**1886 – 1888**);

William Evans (**1888 – 1893**);

Sarah Jane Cakebread (**1893 – 1894**);

Amos George Silvester (**1894 – 1895**);

William Massey (**1895 – 1897**);

George Worrall (**1897 – 1898**);

Henry Ratcliffe (**1898**);

Harry Shepherd (**1898**);

William Trowbridge (**1898 – 1899**);

John Perry (**1899 – 1900**);

John William Copson (**1900**);

James Pace (**1900 – 1902**);

Harry Beckett (**1902 – 1903**);

Thomas Baker (**1903 – 1912**);

Mrs. Selinor Baker (**1912 – 1913**);

William Maybury (**1913 – 1914**);

George Lawrence Burdett (**1914 – 1924**);

Arthur Jones (**1924 – 1947**);

John David Davies (**1947 – 1949**);

Thomas Stanley Jackson(?) (**1949 – 1952**);

William Thomas Hill (**1952 – 1954**);

James Smith (**1954 – 1958**):

NOTES

52, Sandwell Road [1881], [1891]

114, Sandwell Road [1901], [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

William Holmes, beer retailer, Sandwell Road. [1858], [1861]

* probably the same person

William Holmes, beer retailer, Sandwell Road. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Sandwell Road

[1] *William Holmes* (66), beer seller, born Darlaston;

[2] *Elizabeth Holmes* (64), wife, born Shropshire:

William Holmes died in 1878.

1881 Census

52, Sandwell Road – BOOT AND SLIPPER

[1] *Elizabeth Holmes* (79), widow, beer retailer, born Shropshire;

[2] *Richard Dipple* (37), son, chemist, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Elizabeth Dipple* (36), wife, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Elizabeth Dipple* (13), daughter, scholar, born Worcester:

George Burr Rose, beer retailer, 52, Sandwell Road. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

52, Sandwell Road

[1] *William Evans* (49), painter, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Elizabeth Evans* (47), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Evans* (18), son, painter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Emily Evans* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Betsy Evans* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Polly Evans* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Florence Evans* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Evans, beer retailer, 52, Sandwell Road. [1892]

William Massey, beer retailer, 52, Sandwell Road. [1896]

He was fined £15 and costs, on 26th June 1896, for suffering his premises to be used for betting on three occasions.

James Perry, beer retailer, 52, Sandwell Road. [1900]

West Bromwich Weekly News 18/8/1900

“James Fellows, of Colley Street, West Bromwich, and Walter Gadd, of no fixed address, were charged with being drunk while on the licensed premises of the BOOT AND SLIPPER INN, Sandwell Road, West Bromwich, on the 4th inst. P.C. Heatherley deposed to visiting the BOOT AND SLIPPER at 8pm on the date in question, accompanied by P.C. Tiernan. In the taproom he found the defendants, both of whom he alleged were drunk. They had cups containing ale in front of them. He called the attention of the landlord’s wife to the condition of the men, and she requested them to leave. P.C. Tiernan corroborated.

Mr. C. H. Darby, who appeared for Fellows, denied that the latter was drunk. The Bench considered the cases proved, and Fellows was fined 12s including costs, and Gadd 22s 6d. The last named defendant had a bad record. *John William Copson*, the licensee of the BOOT AND SLIPPER INN, was summoned for permitting drunkenness upon his licensed premises and also for supplying drink to a drunken person on the 4th inst. Mr. C. H. Darby defended. P.C.s Heatherley and Tiernan gave evidence in support of the charges. The charge of permitting drunkenness was dismissed, but for the other offence defendant was fined £1 2s 6d including costs.”

1901 Census

114, Sandwell Road

- [1] *James Pace* (57), foundry labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Caroline Pace* (53), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Henry Pace* (22), son, foundry labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Pace* (20), son, holloware caster, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary A. Pace* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Pace* (16), son, foundry labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Emanuel Pace* (13), son, assistant iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Joseph Perks* (22), nephew, ironworks labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *James Perks* (17), nephew, foundry labourer, born West Bromwich:

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

1911 Census

114, Sandwell Road

- [1] *Thomas Baker* (54), public house keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Selina Baker* (51) wife, married 5 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Baker* (23) daughter, elementary school teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hilda Baker* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Jack Baker* (11), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Annie Timmins* (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1911 – it advertised Oliver's home brewed ales

Thomas Baker was married to *Selinor*.

The license was surrendered in reduction of monopoly value, on the grant of a publican's license to the COTTAGE SPRING, Oldbury Road.
It closed on 15th April 1958.

BOX IRON

132, Hill Top, (132, High Street, Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Scafe, 16, Station Street, Bloxwich (later at Bridge Street, Wednesbury)

John Stone, Ryland Road Brewery, Birmingham [1897]

C. C. Cooper, Standard Brewery, Birmingham [1910]

LICENSEES

John Siddons [1801]

John Siddons* [1828] – [1835]

John Siddons* [1841] – [1842]

John Siddons Jnr. [1849] – [1851]

James Hayes [1855] – [1870]

Mrs. Jane Hayes [1871] – [1873]

William Turton Siddons **(1875 – 1876);**

Charles Rhodes **(1876 – 1880);**

William Burman **(1880 – 1884);**

John Mills **(1884 – 1886);**

Alfred Nayler **(1886 – 1887);**

John Nayler **(1887);**

Charles Crump **(1887 – 1888);**

Thomas Finney **(1888 – []**

John Cunningham Isitt [1891] – **1892);**

Susan Scafe **(1892);**

Arthur Lane **(1892 – 1897);**

Thomas Gooding **(1897 – 1902);**

Mrs. Ann (Angelina?) Gooding **(1902);**

Miss Lois Gooding **(1902);**

Thomas Fowler Spencer **(1902 – 1903);**

Arthur Gould **(1903 – 1905);**

James Smalley **(1905 – 1911);**

NOTES

It stood opposite the park, just up the hill from the THREE CROWNS.

GRID IRON [1888]

John Siddons was also a saddle pistol maker.

* possibly the same person

1841 Census

Hill Top

[1] *John Siddons* (65), victualler, born Staffordshire;

[2] *Walter Siddons* (20), butcher, born Staffordshire;

[3] *Matilda Morris* (20), f.s, born Staffordshire:

1851 Census

Hill Top

- [1] *John Siddons* (48), iron founder employing 33 hands, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Hannah Siddons* (49), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Louisa Siddons* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charlotte Siddons* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Catherine Siddons* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John R. Siddons* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William J. Nightingale* (4), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Ann Haselove* (19), house servant, born Coton, Warwickshire:

1861 Census

25, Hill Top – BOX IRON INN

- [1] *James Hayes* (45), victualler and builder employing 6 men, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Hayes* (48), wife, born Broseley, Shropshire;
- [3] *James Hayes* (20), son, forgeman, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Hayes* (18), son, iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Hayes* (15), son, iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Jane Hayes* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Benjamin Hayes* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Charlotte* ____ (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Jane Hayes – see also LEWISHAM ARMS, Castle Street.

The inn sign, which depicted a golden coloured box iron used for pressing frilled cuffs, was removed in 1868 by supporters of Alexander Brogden, who attacked the pub, because the landlord was a Tory. They also smashed all of the windows and the lamp outside the front. Brogden was the first Liberal MP for Wednesbury.

1871 Census

Hill Top – BOX IRON INN

- [1] *Jane Hayes* (59), widow, licensed victualler, born Broseley, Shropshire;
- [2] *John Hayes* (29), son, bricklayer's labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Hayes* (26), son, iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jane Hayes* (19), daughter, domestic duties, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Bernjamin Hayes* (17), son, bricklayer, born West Bromwich:

William Turton Siddons – see also BRITISH OAK, Hawkes Lane, and ROYAL EXCHANGE.

Charles Rhodes was fined 20s and costs for permitting drunkenness during the year ending 30th August 1876.

Dudley Herald 27/1/1877

“Inquest at BOX IRON INN on infant girl found in canal near the Crookhay Basin.....”

1881 Census

132, Hill Top – BOX IRON INN

- [1] *William Burman* (40), licensed victualler, born Southam, Warwickshire;
- [2] *Marianne Burman* (31), wife, born Bristol;
- [3] *Winifred M. Burman* (2), daughter, born Norwich;
- [4] *Agnes Burman* (2 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alfred J. Burman* (35), visitor, grocer, born Southam, Warwickshire;
- [6] *Margaret Toyer* (13), niece, scholar, born Highbridge, Somerset;
- [7] *Ann Evers* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

132, High Street – Public House

[1] *John Cunningham Isitt* (40), married, licensed victualler, born Belton, Rutlandshire;

[2] *Edith Cashmore* (15), general servant, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Winifred Neale* (24), visitor, machinist, born Hinckley, Leicestershire:

On 29th June 1896, *Arthur Lane* was charged with suffering gaming, for which he was charged costs only of £1 6s 6d.

He was fined 10s and costs, on 28th September 1896, for being drunk on his own licensed premises.

West Bromwich Licencing Magistrates – August 1899 – the license renewal to *Thomas Gooding* was opposed for 'selling intoxicating liquor during prohibited hours.'

[For this he had been fined 40s and £2 14s 6d costs on 20th February 1899.]

1901 Census

132, High Street

[1] *Thomas Gooding* (64), publican, born Birmingham;

[2] *Angelina Gooding* (62), wife, born Birmingham;

[3] *Arthur Gooding* (27), son, sheet iron roller, born West Bromwich;

[4] *John Gooding* (19), son, roller, coach spring works, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Louisa Gooding* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Milly Russell* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

[Was Louisa really Lois?]

Smethwick Weekly News 5/4/1902

“On Tuesday Mr. Lyon Clark (Deputy Coroner) held an inquest at the BOX IRON INN, High Street, Hill Top, concerning the death of *Thomas Gooding* (65), landlord of the inn, who committed suicide, on Sunday morning. It appeared that deceased had been in failing health for some time past, and was shortly to undergo an operation, which had apparently preyed on his mind. He went to bed the same as usual on Saturday night, and about six o'clock the following morning he was missed by his wife, who on going into the club room discovered her husband hanging by the neck by means of a handkerchief tied to a gas bracket. A man named Webb promptly cut the body down. He had evidently been hanging for some time, the body being rigid. The jury returned a verdict of Suicide whilst of Unsound Mind.”

Arthur Gould, beer retailer, 132, Hill Top. [1904]

James Smalley, beer retailer, 132, Hill Top. [1908]

Chronicle for West Bromwich and Oldbury 3/6/1910

“George Perry (39), of Holloway Bank, Hill Top, was charged with attempting to rob a till at the BOX IRON INN, Hill Top, on Saturday night.

Mr. A. J. Glover, who appeared for the defendant, pleaded guilty, but asked for leniency. Defendant was discharged under the Probation of Offenders Act on his paying 20s costs.”

1911 Census

132, Hill Top

[1] *James Smalley* (43), licensed victualler, born Oldbury;

[2] *Emily Smalley* (35), wife, born Oldbury;

[3] *Emily Smalley* (12), daughter, school, born Oldbury:

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 9th March 1911.

The license renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 13th June 1911.

The license was extinguished on 30th September 1911.

BRADFORD ARMS

Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Duffield [1870]

BREWERS ARMS

294, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Rowley, Hall Street, Spon Lane, West Bromwich
Edward Mason, Over Whitacre, Warwickshire
Thomas Mason, Over Whitacre, Warwickshire
Frederick Smith Ltd.

LICENSEES

Jesse Wilkes [1870] – [1872]
Jessie Wilkes [1881] – **1884**;
Edward Nock Brettell (**1884 – 1886**);
Joseph Wild (**1886 – 1892**);
Alfred Harriman (**1892 – 1893**);
Joseph Adey (**1893 – 1894**);
Richard Glover (**1894**);
William Snead (**1894**);
Robert Tyrell (**1894 – 1895**);
William Bebb (**1895 – 1896**);

NOTES

It had a beer and wine license.

Jesse Wilkes, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Spon Lane

- [1] *Jesse Wilkes* (56), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Wilkes* (52), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Jesse Wilkes* (16), son, butcher's apprentice, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Josiah Wilkes* (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Hannah Wilkes* (87), boarder, widow, annuitant, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

294, Spon Lane

- [1] *Jessie Wilkes* [sic] (65), widow, publican, born Darlaston;
- [2] *Josiah Wilkes* (22), son, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Pemela Wilkes* (17), granddaughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Wilkes* (15), grandson, hinge filer, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Wilkes* (14), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Annie Wilkes* (13), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Thomas Lees* (31), boarder, painter, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Wild, beer retailer, 294, Spon Lane. [1888], [189], [1892]

1891 Census

294, Spon Lane

- [1] *Joseph Wild* (39), coal miner, born Netherton;
- [2] *Jane Wild* (38), wife, born Blackheath;
- [3] *Sarah Wild* (14), daughter, scholar, born Old Hill;
- [4] *Lizzie Wild* (11), daughter, scholar, born Old Hill;
- [5] *James Wild* (8), son, scholar, born Old Hill;
- [6] *Walter Davies* (28), boarder, nail caster, born Old Hill;
- [7] *Emma Wild* (6 months), daughter, born Old Hill:

William Bebb, beer retailer, 294, Spon Lane. [1896]

The license was surrendered on 10th October 1896 in consideration of extension to premises granted to Frederick Smith Ltd., to a house known as the WHITE HART beerhouse, Walsall Street, occupied by *William Day*.

BRICKLAYERS ARMS

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

J Woodbridge [1855]

BRICKMAKERS ARMS

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

West Bromwich Weekly News 1/10/1881

“Jesse Stott (59), Ryders Green, was charged with refusing to quit the BRICKMAKERS ARMS, West Bromwich. *R. H. Whitehouse*, landlord, said on the 19th ult, defendant went into his house in a drunken condition and was refused ale, when he became disorderly and refused to quit, witness then ejected him, when he was found by the police. A fine of 10s and costs or 14 days was imposed.”

BRIDGE

305, (5), Bromford Lane, (Bromford Bridge), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Thompson, The Elms, Langley Green, Oldbury
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Fisher [1845] – [1851]
Mrs. Jane Fisher [1855] – [1861]
William Fisher [1861] – [1873]
Stephen Cashmore (1880 – [1887])
Thomas Allen [1888] – 1892;
Mrs. Caroline (Allen) Hill (1892 – 1901);
Joseph Hill [1896] ?
Charles Cottrill (1901 – 1904);
Mrs. Matilda Cottrill (1904);
Daniel Pickering Capewell (1904 – 1906);
Alfred James Freeman (1906 – 1931);
Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Freeman (1931 – 1937);
Charles Wilfred Peniket (1937 – 1940);
John Aubrey Jones (1940);
Lillian Anne Jones (1940 – 1946);
Donald Thomas Warner (1946 – 1952);
George Frederick Hibbs (1952 – 1954);
Bertram William Walters (1954 – 1957);
Robert Alexander Hunt (1957 – 1959);
Samuel Gaynham (1959 – 1961);
Joseph Bradley (1961 – [])

NOTES

Bromford Bridge [1849]
5, Bromford Lane [1881], [1891], [1896]
305, Bromford Lane [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]

1851 Census

Bromford Iron Works

- [1] William Fisher (63), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Jane Fisher (58), wife, born Swindon, Staffordshire;
- [3] William Fisher (20), son, glass grinder, born Oldbury;
- [4] Joseph Fisher (17), son, labourer, born Oldbury;
- [5] Eliza Fisher (15), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [6] Sarah Shelton (19), servant, born Madeley, Staffordshire:

[Was the pub renamed BOAT?]

1861 Census

Bromford Road – BOAT INN

- [1] *William Fisher* (30), licensed victualler, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Emma G. Fisher* (23), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Emma T. Fisher* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William C. Fisher* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Stockley* (20), nurse maid, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Alice Stockley* (18), house servant, born Oldbury;

Dudley Herald 16/1/1869

“On Thursday, before Edwin Hooper Esq. (Coroner), an inquest was held at the BRIDGE INN, near Bromford Works, upon the body of Rebecca Stubbs (14), the daughter of William Stubbs, a boatman. The deceased travelled with her father and mother in law, in a cabin boat, trading between London, Liverpool and Manchester. On Thursday last they were coming from London to Bromford Works, and had arrived at a canal bridge opposite the Oldbury Carriage Works, when the deceased, who was standing upon the cabin, came in contact with the same, and she was knocked into the water. Before she could be extricated from the canal she was drowned. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental death.”

1871 Census

Bromford Lane – BRIDGE INN

- [1] *William Fisher* (40), licensed victualler, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Emma Fisher* (33), wife, born Knoll, Staffordshire;
- [3] *William Charles Fisher* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joseph Edwin Fisher* (5), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Turley Fisher* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ann Fisher* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Agnes Maria Fisher* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Frederick Fisher* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Emma Whitehouse* (33), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Matilda Whitehouse* (17), general servant, born Oldbury;
- [11] *Emma Whitehouse* (17), general servant, born Oldbury;

Wednesbury Herald 27/12/1879

“Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner) held an inquest at the BRIDGE INN, Bromford Lane, West Bromwich, on the body of Patrick Connor (14), Lower Town, Oldbury, on Tuesday.

Deceased left home in his usual health on Wednesday morning, the 17th inst, to go to work at Messrs. Hamblett’s brick-yard, at the Albion. He left there at six o’clock the same day, and did not reach his home.

His father, Patrick Connor, assisted by his daughter, proceeded to drag the canal where the boy would have to pass on his way home, but the body was not discovered, and Connor and his daughter narrowly escaped drowning by an unfortunate circumstance which occurred during the search. Connor’s daughter fell into the water before they had been long dragging. Connor could not swim, and at the risk of his own life he plunged into the water and brought her to the towing path of the canal in safety. Although the dragging was continued daily nothing transpired until Sunday, when a man named Samuel Sh____ discovered the body in the water, and it was conveyed to the BRIDGE INN. There were no marks of violence on the body, nor was there anything else to lead to the belief that the deceased met with his death by foul means.

A verdict of Accidental death was returned, and the Coroner remarked that he regretted to find that this was the sixth death in his district which had resulted from drowning during the fog on Wednesday, the 17th inst.”

1881 Census

5, Bromford Lane

- [1] *Stephen Cashmore* (44), licensed victualler and tradesman, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Rose A. Cashmore* (41), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ann M. Cashmore* (16), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Stephen E. Cashmore* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Florence Cashmore* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice R. Cashmore* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Martha Walton* (21), domestic servant, born Bilston:

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/8/1887

“Re *Stephen Cashmore*, of the BRIDGE INN, Bromford Lane, West Bromwich, licensed victualler.

At the Oldbury County Court, on Monday, the first meeting of the creditors of *Stephen Cashmore* was held. Mr. G. Woollett (chief clerk to the Official Receiver) presiding. The debtor was represented by Mr. H. Jackson, and Mr. Podbury (from the offices of Mr. Shakespeare) appeared on behalf of Mr. George Thompson, the mortgagee.

The statement of accounts showed total liabilities £250, and assets £43, leaving a deficiency of £207. The Official Receiver reported that the bankrupt commenced business in 1867, at High Street, West Bromwich, as a boot and shoe dealer, with a capital of £10. A sum of £230 was lent to him, and had subsequently been repaid. In April, 1880, he took the BRIDGE INN, West Bromwich, and agreed to give £500 for the goodwill, lease, etc. This amount was advanced by the landlord upon a mortgage of the lease, and the bankrupt had since repaid the sum of £200. Until 1883 he traded fairly well, but at that time he lost money by the strike amongst the ironworks in the neighbourhood. He got behind with his payments at that time, and did not appear to have entirely recovered himself. The immediate cause of the failure was attributed to the closing of Bromford Ironworks. The bankrupt was afterwards publicly examined by before Mr. Registrar Watson.”

Thomas Allen, beer retailer, 5, Bromford Lane. [1888]

Thomas Allen, beer seller, 5, Bromford Lane. [1889]

1891 Census

5, Bromford Lane

- [1] *Thomas Allen* (52), publican, born Bilston;
- [2] *Elizabeth Allen* (52), wife, born Dudley Port, Tipton;
- [3] *Samuel Allen* (25), son, barman, born Brades Village, Oldbury:

Caroline Allen married a Mr. *Hill* in 1892.

Joseph Hill was also a plumber. [1896]

[He was probably the Mr. Hill that *Caroline Allen* married.]

Charles Cottrill = Charles Cotterill

Charles Cottrill was married to *Matilda*.

He died in 1904.

1911 Census

305, Bromford Lane

- [1] *Alfred James Freeman* (35), licensed victualler, born West Smethwick;
- [2] *Elizabeth Freeman* (32), wife, married 11 years, born Cradley, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Mercy Hume* (26), domestic servant, born Tipton:

Alfred James Freeman was married to *Sarah Elizabeth*.

BRIDGE

63, (63 and 65), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Edward Holland
Charles Frederick Thompson, Churchfield, West Bromwich
James Stanton, brewer, Braybrook Street
Atkinsons Ltd. [1924]
Peter Walker and Co. Ltd. [1938]

LICENSEES

Edward Holland [1881] - **1896**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Holland (**1896 - 1897**);
Thomas Pearson (**1897 - 1898**);
Mrs. Annie Ford (**1898 - 1908**);
Dennis Woodhall (**1908 - 1920**);
Thomas Edward Beattie (**1920 - 1923**);
Walter Ernest Warden (**1923**);
George Perks (**1923 - 1925**);
Charles Bowcott (**1925 - 1928**);
Horace George Round (**1928 - 1931**);
Roland Henry Biggs (**1931 - 1932**);
William Wardle (**1932 - 1937**);
Thomas Taylor (**1937**);
David William Davies (**1937 - 1940**);
John James Silvester (**1940**);
Harry Pegg (**1940 - 1946**);
Walter John Macdonald (**1946 - 1953**);
William Humphrey Jones (**1953 - 1956**);
Harry Farmer (**1956 - 1957**);

NOTES

63, Spon Lane [1881], [1891], [1901], [1911]
63 and 65, Spon Lane [1911]

It was situated near Bell Street.

It had a beerhouse license.

Its windows had a J. S. emblem (James Stanton).

1881 Census

63, Spon Lane – BRIDGE INN

- [1] *Edward Holland* (56), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Holland* (61), wife, born Rowley Regis;
- [3] *William Benton* (22), son in law, moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sara Elizabeth Benton* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Hannah Griffin* (54), domestic servant, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Joseph Stokes* (48), smith, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Henry Benton* (3 months), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Charles Davis* (29), lodger, fitter, born Wednesbury:

Smethwick Telephone 15/3/1884

“West Bromwich and Smethwick Retail Brewers’ Protection and Benevolent Association. On Tuesday [11/3] the ninth annual meeting held at BRIDGE INN, Spon Lane, West Smethwick.”

Edward Holland, beer retailer, 63, Spon Lane. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

63, Spon Lane

- [1] *Edward Holland* (65), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Holland* (71), wife, born Rowley;
- [3] *Sarah Givise* (22), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Groves* (54), nephew, living on his own means, born Halesowen:

Edward Holland died in 1896.

West Bromwich Weekly News 21/4/1900

“Important sale on Tuesday April 24th Lot 4 – All that valuable freehold beerhouse and premises known as the BRIDGE INN, situate in Spon Lane, West Bromwich, now in the occupation of Mrs. *Ford*, together with the shop adjoining, and used as a Barber’s shop. The whole is let on lease for ten years from the 24th June, 1897, at £40 per annum.

This is a well built property, and the Public House contains Five Bed Rooms, Kitchen, Parlour, Club Room, Smoke Room, Tap Room, and Bar, with a large yard, Pigsty, Stable for two horses. Coach House, Brew House with Malt Room over, and three Cellars and with Cartway Entrance from the front.....”

Mrs. *Annie Ford*, beer retailer, 63, Spon Lane. [1900], [1904], [1908]

1901 Census

63, Spon Lane

- [1] *Annie Ford* (54), widow, beerhouse manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *John Ford* (24), son, cab driver, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary Ford* (27), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Annie Reynolds* (22), visitor, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William Parkes* (32), visitor, cycle driller, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Leader 27/7/1906

“At the West Bromwich County Court on Wednesday, before his Honour Judge Smith, an action was brought by *Annie Ford*, widow and licensee of the BRIDGE INN, Spon Lane, against her son, John Ford, cab proprietor, of Oak Road, West Bromwich, for the return of certain vehicles, horses, and other goods, or their value, £100.

The plaintiff alleged that when her husband died twenty-six years ago he left the business of a cab and car proprietor to her. When defendant left home she gave him goods of the value of about £200 or £300, but she never made over to him the vehicles and things which she now claimed for. She added that on Saturday night defendant and one of his men stripped the place, taking away a landau, a victoria, a horse, lamps, poles, shafts, and harness, which she valued at £100.

The defence was that the goods belonged to the defendant.

The Judge gave a verdict for the plaintiff, ordering the return of the goods in fourteen days.”

1911 Census

63, Spon Lane

- [1] *Dennis Woodhall* (47), white smith, spring and balance works, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Elizabeth Woodhall* (43), mistress, married 22 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Arthur Woodhall* (19), son, spring maker, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Gertrude Woodhall* (17), daughter, house duties, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Florence Woodhall* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Headquarters of Dai William Davies, boxing promoter and manager. [1930's]

He was the manager of Dick Mann, who died after collapsing in the ring at Dudley's Trindle Road Rink on 5th October 1937.

The license was surrendered on the removal of the publican's license from the TURKS HEAD, Great Bridge Street, to the HAMSTEAD.

The house closed at 10pm on 16th July 1957.

BRITANNIA

Church Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Wolverhampton Chronicle 21/4/1858

“On Saturday last an inquest was held before G. H. Hinchcliffe Esq., at Mr. *H. Parish*’s NAGS HEAD INN, on the body of a fine full grown female child found dead. On the preceding day a man, named Piper, employed in emptying a privy at the back of the BRITANNIA INN, Church Lane, had found amidst the soil the body above referred to. It was much decomposed, and Mr. J. W. Kite, surgeon, who had, under the coroner’s precept, made a post mortem examination of the body, said that in his judgement the infant had been exposed about a fortnight previously. Mr. Kite gave it as his opinion that it had been born alive. A wound in the side of its head might have been given just after birth. There was also a mark around the infant’s neck, but the surgeon said this might have arisen from the umbilical cord attaching round that point after the birth. The inquest was adjourned until Tuesday, the 27th inst., with a view to obtain a clue to the parents of the child.”

Wolverhampton Chronicle 5/5/1858

“The police stated that after making every possible inquiries they were unable to find any clue to the parentage of the child. The landlady of the BRITANNIA INN and her daughters were examined the jury returned a verdict of Wilful murder against some person or persons unknown.”

BRITANNIA

119, Dial Lane, (Brickhouse Lane), (Golds Green), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry West

R. D. Brown and Co. Ltd., Fenny Compton [1897]

The City Brewery (Lichfield) Co. [1904]

Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Peter Tonks [1858] – **1871**);

Thomas Dunn (**1871** – []

Henry West [1873] – **1894**);

Thomas West (**1894** – **1897**);

Horace Percy Chavasse (**1897** – **1900**);

Daniel Collins (**1900** – **1912**);

George Deans (**1912** – **1914**);

James Jones (**1914** – **1929**);

William George Cartwright (**1929** – **1931**);

Alice Solloway (**1931** – **1933**);

Norman Yorke (**1933** – **1935**);

James Lloyd (**1935** – []

Alfred Payne (**1939** – **1940**);

George William Chilton (**1940** – **1950**);

Henry Saunders (**1950** – [1962]

John Whyle [1991]

Janet Buck [1992]

J P Poole [1993]

NOTES

Golds Green [1858]

Brickhouse Lane [1860], [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1873]

Dial Lane [1892]

119, Dial Lane [1896], [1904], [1911]

It was a double fronted building, with its entrance up three steps.

Peter Tonks = Peter Tonk

1871 Census

Brick House Lane

[1] *Thomas Dunn* (43), plater and licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Eliza Dunn* (30), wife, born Malvern;

[3] *A. A. Dunn* (20), son, pattern maker, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Ann Brooks* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Sarah Stokes* (17), visitor, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Jane Willcox* (13), visitor, born Birmingham;

1881 Census

119, Dial Lane – public house – BRITANNIA INN

- [1] *Henry West* (52), licensed victualler, born Boynton, Gloucestershire;
- [2] *Hannah West* (49), wife, born Radford, Warwickshire;
- [3] *Alice Sherwood* (23), daughter, born Hiversum [Hilversum?], Belgium;
- [4] *John West* (21), son, joiner, born Cappellia, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg;
- [5] *Joseph West* (18), son, carpenter, born Theria (?), Grand Duchy of Luxembourg;
- [6] *William West* (12), son, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [7] *Thomas West* (9), son, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [8] *Anne Fisher* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 9/4/1881

“James Isherwood, of 109, Dial Lane, Hill Top, was summoned on a charge of maliciously damaging a door, the property of *Henry West*, licensed victualler, of Dial Lane, Hill Top. Mr. F. W. Topham represented the complainant, and stated that the defendant had a short time ago married the complainant’s daughter, but had since so ill-treated her that she had to leave him on several occasions. On the 21st March he turned her out of doors, and she went to her father’s house for protection. Defendant followed her there, and it being after closing time, threw a large stone at the front door, doing damage to the extent of 5s.

Complainant having deposed to the above facts, defendant was fined 10s, 5s for the damage, and 11s 6d costs, or 21 days hard labour.”

Wednesbury Herald 5/5/1883

“Yesterday, Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner) held an inquest at the BRITANNIA INN, on the body of an infant, who had been found on a heap of night soil in Dial Lane.

On Wednesday a man found the body in a heap of night soil, which had been removed from premises in Ten House Row, on March 5th.

The body was in such a state of decomposition that it was impossible to discover the sex or the features.

A verdict of Found Dead was returned.”

An inquest was held here, in 1886, on *Thomas Broxton* (37), a miner at Black Lake Colliery.

-The verdict was death from natural causes.

1891 Census

119, Dial Lane – BRITANNIA INN

- [1] *Henry West* (59), widower, licensed victualler, born Doynton, Gloucestershire;
- [2] *John West* (31), son, engine fitter, born Cappellia, Luxembourg;
- [3] *William West* (22), son, engine stoker, born West Smethwick;
- [4] *Thomas West* (19), son, brewer, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Harriet Phillips* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Henry West was fined £5 and costs, on 15th December 1891, for permitting drunkenness.

He was fined £1 and costs, on 17th October 1893, for selling intoxicating liquor to a drunken person.

See also VINE, Smethwick.

Percy Chavasse issued tokens from here.

1901 Census

119, Dial Lane

- [1] *Daniel Collins* (36), public house, born Westfarndon, Northamptonshire;
- [2] *Ann Collins* (34), wife, born Atherstone, Warwickshire;
- [3] *Lily Collins* (14), daughter, born Dordon, Warwickshire;
- [4] *Thomas Collins* (9), son, born Dordon, Warwickshire;
- [5] *Sarah Ann Collins* (8), daughter, born Dordon, Warwickshire;
- [6] *John Collins* (6), son, born Dordon, Warwickshire;
- [7] *Nellie Collins* (2), daughter, born Dordon, Warwickshire:

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich and Tipton Quoits League. [1903]

1911 Census

119, Dial Lane – BRITANNIA INN

- [1] *Daniel Collins* (48), hotel manager, born Westfarndon, Northamptonshire;
- [2] *Ann Collins* (46), wife, married 27 years, born Atherstone, Warwickshire;
- [3] *Thomas Collins* (19), son, caster, born Dordon, Warwickshire;
- [4] *Sarah Ann Collins* (18), daughter, born Dordon, Warwickshire;
- [5] *John Collins* (16), son, labourer, born Dordon, Warwickshire;
- [6] *Mable Collins* (7), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Nellie Collins* (12), daughter, school, born Dordon, Warwickshire;
- [8] *William Horace Cole* (2), grandchild, born West Bromwich:

Alice Solloway was fined £2 10s 0d and £2 12s 6d special costs for selling intoxicating liquor other than during permitted hours.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

It was replaced by a new building to the rear.

The new building was opened on 25th November 1962.

[2008]

Closed [2012]

It was converted to the New Britannia Inn Function Rooms. [2014]



1996



Ex Pub 2014



2006

BRITANNIA

54, Parliament Street, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Bullock, Handsworth
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Henry Duckworth [1871] – **1879**);
Thomas Barratt (**1879 – 1880**);
Thomas Swain (**1880 – 1902**);
Samuel Nicholls (**1902 – 1908**);
Francis William Fellows (**1908 – 1913**);
Edwin Povey (**1913 – 1942**);
James Henry Fenton (**1942**);
George Thomas Davies (**1942 – 1944**);
Alice Woodfield (**1944 – 1946**);
John James Woodfield (**1946 – 1956**);
William Harold Jones (**1956 – 1957**);
Arthur Henry James (**1957**);
Charles Archibald Ackroyd (**1957 – 1959**);
James Herbert Layland (**1959 – []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Parliament Street – BRITANNIA INN

- [1] *Henry Duckworth* (47), iron moulder, born Hawarden, Flintshire;
- [2] *Eliza Duckworth* (50), wife, born Brierley Hill;
- [3] *Annie Duckworth* (23), daughter, born Brierley Hill;
- [4] *Alfred Duckworth* (20), son, iron moulder, born Brierley Hill;
- [5] *Eliza Duckworth* (16), daughter, scholar, born Brierley Hill;
- [6] *Martha Duckworth* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Henry Duckworth* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Henry Duckworth, beer retailer, Parliament Street. [1872]

1881 Census

54, Parliament Street

- [1] *Thomas Swain* (36), beerhouse keeper, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Myra Swain* (38), wife, born Bromsgrove;
- [3] *Hannah Swain* (70), mother, widow, annuitant, born Coleshill;
- [4] *Henrietta Chambers* (17), general servant (domestic), born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 7/10/1882

“At an inquest held before Mr. E. Hooper (District Coroner), on Wednesday, at the BRITANNIA INN, Parliament Street, West Bromwich, touching the death of Samuel Care, son of George Care, 47, Neale Street, who was found drowned in a cistern in the brewhouse on Sunday night, a verdict of Accidental death was returned.”

Thomas Swain, beer retailer, 54, Parliament Street. [1888], [1900]

Thomas Swain, beer seller, 54, Parliament Street. [1889]

Smethwick Telephone 9/8/1890

“Grand United Order of Oddfellows. The juveniles of the ‘Onward’ lodge of the above order No.1420, which is held at the house of Bro. *Swain*, BRITANNIA INN, Parliament Street, Spon Lane, had their annual excursion to Hampton in Arden.”

1891 Census

54, Parliament Street – BRITANNIA INN

[1] *Thomas Swain* (46), widower, beer retailer, born Birmingham;

[2] Sarah A. Robinson (24), niece, barmaid, born Birmingham;

[3] Clara Dipple (24), general servant, born Birmingham:

West Bromwich Weekly News 21/4/1900

“On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Lyon Clark (Deputy Coroner) held an inquest at the BRITANNIA INN, Parliament Street, West Bromwich, concerning the death of Kate Chilton (34), wife of James Chilton, an engine driver, of 45, Parliament Street, who was discovered burnt to death on Easter Monday evening.

The husband stated that he left home at 9.30 on Monday morning and did not return until about the same hour at night, when he found his wife dead. Deceased seemed all right when he left her in the morning, but he understood she was the worse for drink during the day.

P.C Mason, said the death of Mrs. Chilton was reported to him at 8.45 on Monday night. Upon visiting the house he found deceased lying in a corner of the kitchen quite dead. The whole of her clothing was burnt, and the woman was shockingly burnt all over the body and head and face. The wall paper near to where the deceased lay was also burnt off. A couple of larks which were in the house had apparently died from suffocation The jury arrived at the following conclusion:- That deceased was accidentally burnt to death by her clothes becoming ignited through a piece of coal falling out of the grate, and that deceased contributed to her own death by being the worse for beer.”

1901 Census

54, Parliament Street

[1] *Thomas Swain* (56), widower, beerhouse keeper, born Birmingham;

[2] Sarah Ann Robinson (34), niece, barmaid, born Birmingham;

[3] Clara Dipple (34), cook, born Bromsgrove;

[4] Florrie Field (24), domestic servant, born America, British Subj:

Samuel Nicholls, beer retailer, 54, Parliament Street. [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

Parliament Street – BRITANNIA INN

[1] *Francis William Fellows* (39), beerhouse keeper, born Wolverhampton;

[2] Clara Fellows (33), wife, married 11 years, assisting in business, born West Bromwich;

[3] Kathleen Fellows (9), daughter, school, born Smethwick;

[4] Doris Fellows (4), daughter, born Smethwick;

[5] Lilly Smiles (20), general servant, born Sunderland:

Francis William Fellows, beer retailer, 54, Parliament Street. [1912]

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and was confirmed on 29th April 1949.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1951], [1966]

BRITANNIA

80, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green, (Golds Hill), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Heath
George Arnold and Co.
Darby's Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Heath [1853] – **1898**);
Mrs. Medelina Heath (**1898 – 1900**);
Miss Medelina Heath (**1900**);
William Heath (**1900 – 1921**);
Sumaria Heath (**1921 – 1922**);
Arthur Francis Hill (**1922 – []**)
John William 'Bill' Merther [1937] – **1957**)

NOTES

It was known locally as "Merther's"

It had a beerhouse license.

William Heath, beer retailer, Golds Green. [1853], [1864]

1861 Census

Pikehelve Street

- [1] *William Heath* (37), publican, born Princes End;
- [2] *Medlina Heath* (40), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] Edwin Heath (12), son, scholar, born Golds Green;
- [4] Agnes Ann Heath (9), daughter, scholar, born Golds Green;
- [5] Samuel Heath (6), son, scholar, born Golds Green;
- [6] Richard Heath (6 months), son, born Golds Green:

William Heath, beer retailer, 80, Pikehelve Street. [1872], [1888], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

80, Pikehelve Street – BRITANNIA INN

- [1] *William Heath* (66), publican, born Sedgley;
- [2] *Medelina Heath* (70), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] Richard Heath (30), son, puddler, born West Bromwich;
- [4] William Heath (25), son, tube maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Medelina Heath* (28), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Heath died in 1898.

Medelina Heath = Madalene Heath = Medlina Heath

Mrs. Medlina Heath, beer retailer, 80, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green. [1900]

West Bromwich Weekly News 2/6/1900

“On Monday, Mr. D. Harford conducted a most successful sale of freehold properties at the ODFELLOWS ARMS, High Street, West Bromwich. The BRITANNIA beerhouse, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green, together with brewing plant, trade fittings and fixtures realised £1,500.....”

William Heath, beer retailer, 80, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green. [1904]

Bill Merther was married to Martha.

Dudley Herald 17/3/1956

“License of a 92 year old inn has been renewed provisionally referred full renewal to Compensation Authority.”

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 8th March 1956.

The license renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 13th June 1956.

The license was extinguished on 1st April 1957.

It became the offices of Whitehouse Brothers.

BRITANNIA

317, (157), Whitehall Road, (Dunkirk Road), (Oldbury Road), (Oldbury Lane), Newtown, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Robinson and Co., brewers, Burton on Trent
Butler's Crown Brewery Ltd. [c. 1900]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1895]
Arthur Beebee, Sandwell Road, Walsall [1912]
Ind Coope and Co. Ltd. [1929]
Ansell's Ltd. [1960], [1968]

LICENSEES

Abigail Bradley [1845]
John Bradley [1850] – [1851]
John Barrow [1855] – [1870]
William Smith [] – **1870**);
Robert Sudbury (**1870** – [1873]
Henry B Erwin [1881]
Daniel Lawrence [1882] – [1889]
William Jervis Sturgess [1891]
William Ashcroft [] – **1890**);
John Pearson (**1890**) – **1892**);
John Turner [1892] ?
William Bedford (**1892** – **1895**);
William Butler (**1895** – **1900**);
James Wilson (**1900** – **1902**);
Alfred Ernest Stanton (**1902** – **1906**);
William Thomas Mathieson (**1906** – **1907**);
Thomas Jones (**1907** – **1910**);
William Roberts (**1910** – **1911**);
John Cameron (**1911** – **1912**);
James Edwin Pascall (**1912** – **1913**);
Samuel Ernest Padgett (**1913** – **1914**);
William Henry Meek (**1914** – **1916**);
Fanny Meek (**1916** – **1920**);
William Henry Jones (**1920** – **1936**);
Joseph Edward Lowndes (**1936**);
William Henry Best (**1936** – **1943**);
Charles Edward Whitehouse (**1943** – **1953**);
Fred Leeson (**1953** – **1974**);
Raymond Terence Tumelty (**1974** – **1975**);
Martyn James Cox (**1975** – **1977**);
Matthew Regan (**1977** – **1979**);
Roy Alfred Butterworth (**1979** – **1980**);
Francis Anthony Melough (**1980** – **1982**);
Naranjan Singh Khag (**1982** – **1987**);

NOTES

Oldbury Lane [1851], [1860]

Dunkirk Road [1858]

New Town [1861]

Oldbury Road [1868], [1870], [1872]

157, Whitehall Road [1881], [1888], [1891], [1892], [1896]

317, Whitehall Road [1904], [1908], [1912], [1916]

OLD BRITANNIA [1845]

1851 Census

Oldbury Lane

[1] *John Bradley* (58), publican, boen Paisley, Shropshire;

[2] *May Bradley* (57), wife, born Wolverhampton;

[3] *Maryanne Bradley* (19), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Elizabeth Bradley* (14), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Eliza Cheadle* (21), vis, scholar, born Stickley, Yorkshire:

John Barrow = *John Barrows* = *John Barron*

Dudley Herald 9/1/1869

“Unreserved clearing out sale to be sold by auction a quantity of blacksmith’s tools belonging to Mr. *John Barrows*, who has no further use for them, having given up the inn.”

W. Smith issued tokens from here.

1871 Census

Oldbury Road – BRITANNIA INN

[1] *Robert Sudbury* (23), innkeeper, born Kingsbury, Warwickshire;

[2] *Ellen Sudbury* (25), wife, born Alrediston, Wiltshire;

[3] *Ann Sudbury* (78), mother, widow, born Bearwood;

[4] *Emma Wyatt* (18), general servant, born Colwich, Staffordshire:

1881 Census

157, Whitehall Road

[1] *Henry B. Erwin* (42), licensed victualler, born Liverpool;

[2] *Eliza J. Erwin* (42), wife, born Tipton;

[3] *Ada E. Erwin* (17), daughter, born Tipton;

[4] *Lizzie M. Erwin* (16), daughter, born Tipton;

[5] *Clara E. Erwin* (13), daughter, born Tipton;

[6] *Caroline L. Erwin* (10), daughter, born Tipton;

[7] *Pattie G. Erwin* (9), daughter, born Tipton;

[8] *John Holland Erwin* (8), son, born Tipton;

[9] *Florence A. Erwin* (7), daughter, born Tipton;

[10] *Annie M. Wheeler* (42), sister in law, born Tipton;

[11] *Selina Wagstaffe* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 24/9/1881

“Mr. E. Hooper, District Coroner, held an inquiry on Tuesday at the BRITANNIA INN, Greets Green, into the cause of the death of John Haywood (58), No.1, Darby’s Court, Moxley, who died suddenly in the Eight Locks Colliery on Saturday, while attending to his work as underground manager or ‘deputy’.

John Powell, a pikeman at the colliery, said deceased went down the pit at five o’clock on Saturday morning with witness and others. At the time he seemed in his usual health and spirits. Witness saw the deceased again about twelve o’clock, when he seemed ‘rather bad’ in his throat, and he asked him if there was anything the matter. Deceased replied that he ‘had a touch of the stomach ache’, and sat down. After sitting about an hour deceased commenced coughing. Witness asked him if he would have any tea, but he refused. Deceased grew worse and continued his coughing, but still refused all proffers of on the part of the witness to bring him tea or brandy. About two o’clock Haywood stepped back about seven yards, and witness shortly after heard him breathing heavily, and on going up he found him lying on his back. Deceased breathed four or five times and then expired.

Thomas Haywood, deceased’s son, also employed at the colliery, said his father and he breakfasted together on the morning in question about eleven o’clock. His father had some beef and some beer. He also drank beer from the same glass. He saw his father going into the works about 1.30pm, when he appeared all right.

Sarah Piddock, who assisted in laying the body out, said no marks of violence were observable.

The Coroner said if the jury desired it he would adjourn the inquest for a post mortem examination of the body to be made, but this was not considered necessary, and a verdict of Death from natural causes was returned.”

Evening Star 6/6/1882

“Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, held an inquest on Monday, at the BRITANNIA INN, Greets Green, respecting the death of Hannah Perry (40), wife of James Perry, shearer, residing in Farley Street, who committed suicide by taking poison on Friday last.

James Perry said between five and six o’clock on Friday evening the deceased left home stating that she was going to get something for supper. Shortly afterwards she returned and went into the pantry. Mr. Butler, chemist, of Great Bridge, came into the house and told witness that his wife had obtained some poison from his shop. Deceased then came out of the pantry and said she had just taken it. He asked what she had taken it for, when she replied that she wished she had not done it. Witness fetched Mr. Eddowes, surgeon, and the stomach pump, but she died soon after seven o’clock. Until three weeks ago deceased was confined in the Burntwood Lunatic Asylum. In reply to the Coroner, witness stated that deceased was sister to William Fryer, who was tried at the Stafford Assizes for drowning his sweetheart, and who was found to be insane.

James Bennett said deceased met him in the street at Great Bridge, and asked him to be a witness for her, as she wanted to purchase some vermin killer for rats. He told Mr. Butler that he did not know the woman, but he was willing to sign if it was for killing rats.

The Coroner said as the witness did not know the woman the poison should not have been supplied. It was very desirable that the witness in such a case should be acquainted with the applicant. He strongly recommended Bennett to be more careful in future as to what he signed.

The jury returned a verdict of Suicide whilst in a state of temporary insanity.

The Coroner remarked that these cases seemed to be very much on the increase in the district, that was the second he had had that day, having just come from an inquest at Wednesbury, where a lady had destroyed herself in a similar way.”

Wednesbury Herald 1/7/1882

“At the West Bromwich Police Court on Saturday, before Messrs. Reuben Farley and P. D. Bennett (magistrates), *Daniel Lawrence* of the GEORGE AND DRAGON INN, Wednesbury, who also holds the license of the BRITANNIA INN, Whitehall Road, Greets Green, was charged with keeping his licensed premises open during prohibited hours at the latter place.

Sergeant George Chatham stated that he went into the BRITANNIA INN, Greets Green, on Friday night the 16th inst, about 11.30pm, when he found five women in the tap room.

John Turner (50), Mary Turner (39) his wife, Eliza Steadman (52), Deborah Parker (64), Sarah Ann Stokes (27), Alice Lycett (21), and Fanny Bates (27) were charged with being on the premises at the time.

The offence was admitted, and the landlord was fined 20s and costs, and the other defendants 1s and costs.”

Daniel Lawrence was also a brick maker of Greets Green Road. [1888]

1891 Census

157, Whitehall Road – BRITANNIA INN

- [1] *William Jervis Sturgess* (30), publican, born Exeter;
- [2] *Esther A. Sturgess* (26), wife, born Blackpool;
- [3] *Victor Charles Sturgess* (3), son, born Bristol;
- [4] *Agnes Maria Williams* (12), general servant, born West Bromwich:

William Butler – see also STORK.

Wednesbury Leader 14/9/1906

“On Tuesday evening Mr. James Clark (Coroner) held an inquest at the BRITANNIA INN, Whitehall Road, concerning the death of William Cooper, aged nine weeks, who died on Monday morning.

It appeared that Maria Cooper, wife of Abraham Cooper, and residing in Horton Street, Greets Green, put her son to bed about 11pm on the 9th inst. About two o’clock the next morning she woke up, and upon looking at the child found him to be dead. She further said that deceased had been subject to convulsions since his birth. After hearing the evidence the jury returned a verdict of Death from Convulsions.”

1911 Census

317, Whitehall Road

- [1] *John Cameron* (29), unmarried, hotel manager, born Walsall;
- [2] *Betsy Cameron* (67), widow, mother, born Walsall;
- [3] *Alloe Cameron* (7), nephew, school, born Walsall:

Teams from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946], [1948], [1951]

Fred Leeson was Mayor of West Bromwich 1957/8.

The license was not renewed on 5th March 1987.



c. 1968

BRITANNIA

Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

[1869]

BRITISH OAK

36, (32), Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John C. Holder, brewer, Birmingham
Joseph Foley
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Hugh Williams [1858] – [1865]
David Evan Williams [1867] – **1871**);
William Turton Siddons (**1871 – 1875**)
William T Siddons [1881]
Henry Field [1888] – [1889]
Charles William Chapman [1891] – **1892**);
Henry Field (**1892 – 1894**);
William Cock (**1894 – 1895**);
William Samuel Chambers (**1895**);
Henry Reynolds (**1895 – 1896**);
John Potter (**1896**);
Joseph Foley (**1896 – 1899**);
Emmanuel Hartshorne (**1899 – 1901**);
Leo Thomas Brighton (**1901 – 1902**);
Isaac George Foxcroft (**1902 – 1905**);
George Wilcox (**1905 – 1909**);
William Henry Hammond (**1909 – 1911**);
Albert Edward Hall (**1911 – 1914**);
Amos Jones (**1914 – 1941**);
Sidney Gwilt Bruerton (**1941 – 1951**);
Albert Ruddle (**1951 – 1960**);
Neville Hoct (**1960 – []**)

NOTES

32, Hawkes Lane [1881], [1889], [1891]
36, Hawkes Lane [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912]

Hugh Williams, beer retailer, Hawkes Lane. [1858], [1861]

Dudley Herald 7/9/1867

“*David Evan Williams* permitting gambling adjourned.”

An inquest was held here in 1868.

1881 Census

32, Hawkes Lane – BRITISH OAK

- [1] *William T. Siddons* (52), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Ann E. Siddons (48), wife, born Wales;
- [3] Alfred T. Siddons (20), son, auctioneer's clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [4] William H. Siddons (16), son, butcher's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Frances A. Siddons (14), daughter, scholar, born Shrewsbury;
- [6] Alice M. Siddons (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Ernest Siddons (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Rebecca Martin (25), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [9] Samuel Martin (74), boarder, annuitant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 28/5/1881

“On Monday, an inquest was held at the BRITISH OAK INN, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, by Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner) as to the death of Joseph Vowles (23) who had died from the effects of the injuries received at the Swan Colliery belonging to Messrs. E. Phillips and Co.

The evidence showed that the deceased was engaged in the colliery as a horse driver, and on the 19th inst he caused a wagon to come in contact with a pillow [pillar] which held up the roof, the result being that the pillow slipped and the roof came down upon the deceased killing him almost instantaneously.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental death.”

Wednesbury Herald 1/7/1882

“On Tuesday, Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner), held an inquest at the BRITISH OAK INN, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, respecting the death of John William Cooper, aged five years, who was found drowned in the Birmingham Canal on Saturday.

Whilst deceased and a number of other children were fishing in the canal for ‘Jack Bannocks’, the deceased overbalanced himself, fell into the water, and was drowned before assistance could be rendered.

A verdict of Accidental death was returned.”

The London Gazette 26/1/1883

“.....In the County Court of Staffordshire, holden at Oldbury.

In the Matter of Proceedings for Liquidation by Arrangement or Composition with Creditors, instituted by *William Turton Siddons*, residing in lodgings at the BRITISH OAK INN, 32, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, West Bromwich formerly a Publican and Commission Agent, but now out of business.

Notice is hereby given, that a First General Meeting of the creditors of the above-named person has been summoned to be held at the offices of Mr. William Shakespeare, 51, Church Street, Oldbury, in the county of Worcester, on the 7th day of February, 1883.....”

1891 Census

32, Hawkes Lane – BRITISH OAK

- [1] *Charles Chapman* (41), gas fitting maker and beer retailer, born Wednesbury;
- [2] Sarah Chapman (37), wife, born Leicester;
- [3] George Chapman (12), son, scholar, born Wednesbury;
- [4] Elizabeth Chapman (5), daughter, scholar, born Wednesbury;
- [5] Henry Chapman (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Fanny Clarke (17), general servant, born Wednesbury;
- [7] Sarah Whitley (10), niece, scholar, born Leicester:

1911 Census

Hawkes Lane, Hill Top – BRITISH OAK

- [1] *William H. Hammond* (42), publican, born Tipton;
- [2] Ruth Hammond (45), wife, married 23 years, born Bilston;
- [3] Florence Ruth Hammond (19), daughter, assists in business, born Smethwick;
- [4] Maude Hammond (15), daughter, born Smethwick
- [5] Ethel Hammond (14), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [6] Gladys Hammond (10), daughter, school, born Smethwick;
- [7] William Hammond (9), daughter, school, born Smethwick;
- [8] Ivy Hammond (5), daughter, school, born Smethwick:

Amos Jones – see also WHITE SWAN, Hawkes Lane.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

A darts team from here won the Hill Top League in 1954.

BROWN LION

111, (113), Barncroft Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Enoch Dabbs

James Allmark (later at 106, Ebenezer Street, Hill Top, West Bromwich)

LICENSEES

Mary Ward [] - **1872**);

Enoch Dabbs* (**1872** - []

Enoch Dabbs* [1891] - **1895**);

Mrs. Eleanor Dabbs (**1895** - **1906**);

William Bladon (**1906** - **1908**);

James Allmark (**1908** - **1921**):

NOTES

113, Barncroft Street [1891], [1901]

111, Barncroft Street

It had a beerhouse license.

* probably the same person

1891 Census

113, Barncroft Street – Public House

[1] *Enoch Dabbs* (55), innkeeper, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Ellen Dabbs* (59), wife, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Enoch Dabbs* (23), son, holloware turner, born Wednesbury;

[4] *Henry Hodgkins* (16), boarder, caster in iron foundry, born Wednesbury:

[Was *Ellen* the same person as *Eleanor*?]

Enoch Dabbs was married to *Eleanor*.

He died in 1895.

Mrs. Eleanor Dabbs, beer retailer, 111, Barncroft Street, Hill Top. [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

113, Barncroft Street

[1] *Eleanor Dabbs* (64), innkeeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Florence Dabbs* (12), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

William Bladon, beer retailer, 111, Barncroft Street, Hill Top. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

Barncroft Street

[1] *James Allmark* (47), widower, publican, born Ketley, Shropshire;

[2] *Alice Allmark* (27), daughter, house keeper, born Tipton;

[3] *William Allmark* (20), son, furnace man, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Ethel Bailey* (18), general servant, born Tipton:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1921.

The license renewal was refused on 24th May 1921.

The license was extinguished on 30th November 1921.

BULLS HEAD

132, (130), Bull Lane, Albion, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Trevitt
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1899]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1986]
Enterprise Inns [1990's]

LICENSEES

Henry Trevitt **(1870 - 1897)**;
Mrs. Hannah Trevitt **(1897 - 1898)**;
Miss Annie Trevitt **(1898 - 1899)**;
William Bennett Lowe **(1899 - 1931)**;
William Edward Purcell **(1931)**;
Ernest Kay **(1931 - 1940)**;
Joseph Grice **(1940 - 1959)**;
Charles Arthur Scott **(1959 - 1961)**;
William Albert Hammond **(1961 - []**
F K Taylor [1976]
C P Patel [1983] - [1990]
V Patel [1992]
Timothy Woodcock **(1997)**



c. 1986

NOTES

130, Bull Lane [1881], [1891], [1892], [1901], [1911], [1912]
132, Bull Lane [1994]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Bull Lane

- [1] *Henry Trevitt* (40), labourer in iron works, born Shropshire;
- [2] *Hannah Trevitt* (35), wife, born London;
- [3] *Mary A. Trevitt* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jane Trevitt* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Pamerlia Trevitt* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ann Trevitt* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Elizabeth Trevitt* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Sarah Trevitt* (6 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Henry Trevitt, beer retailer, Bull Lane. [1872]

Henry Trevitt, beer retailer, 130, Bull Lane [1888], [1892]

Henry Trevitt, beer seller, 130, Bull Lane. [1889]

He was married to *Hannah*.

1881 Census

130, Bull Lane

- [1] *Henry Trevitt* (50), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Hannah Trevitt* (45), wife, born Portland Town, Middlesex;
- [3] *Jane Trevitt* (25), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Annie Trevitt* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eleanor Trevitt* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

130, Bull Lane – BULLS HEAD

- [1] *Henry Trevitt* (60), publican, born Hilton Bank, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Hannah Trevitt* (54), wife, born London;
- [3] *Annie Trevitt* (24), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Trevitt* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Marian Trevitt* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eleanor Trevitt* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

William B. Lowe = William Blowe

1901 Census

130, Bull Lane

- [1] *William Bennett Lowe* (36), beer retailer, born Pelsall;
- [2] *Mary Lowe* (34), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *May Lowe* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harry Lowe* (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Nellie Lowe* (5), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Ernest Lowe* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Clara Lowe* (10 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Polly Hadley* (14), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

He was described as a beer retailer of 130, Bull Lane. [1904], [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

130, Bull Lane

- [1] *William Bennett Lowe* (46), beer retailer, born Walsall;
- [2] *Mary Lowe* (44), wife, married 20 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *May Lowe* (18), daughter, assistant to head, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harry Lowe* (17), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Nellie Lowe* (15), daughter, school, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Ernie Lowe* (13), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Clara Lowe* (10), daughter, school, born West Bromwich:

The original pub closed.
It was demolished.

A full license was granted on 7th February 1957, and confirmed on 9th April 1957, on the condition that alterations were made.

It was rebuilt on the same site
The new building opened for trade on 1st November 1957.

It closed in July 1997.
It was converted into flats.

BULLS HEAD

29, Grout Street, (Oldbury Lane), Greet Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Daniel Round
Sarah Ann Richards, Grout Street
Benjamin Dunn
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1939]

LICENSEES

Daniel Round [1861] – 1882);
Joseph Richards (1882 – 1904);
Benjamin Dunn (1904 – 1940);
Edwin William Wilson (1940);
Ernest Evans (1940 – 1943);
James Bird (1943 – 1944);
Agnes Emily Hill (1944 – 1946);
Charles Victor Hill (1946 – 1950);
Herbert Standley (1950 – 1951);
Sidney George Spencer (1951 – 1953);
John Etheridge (1953 – 1954):

NOTES

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.

Daniel Round = Daniel Roune

Daniel Round, beer retailer, Grout Street. [1861]

1861 Census

Grout Street – BULLS HEAD

- [1] *Daniel Round* (44), publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *Amelia Round* (45), wife, born Halesowen;
- [3] *Maria Round* (24), visitor, born Tipton:

Daniel Round, beer retailer, Grout Street, Oldbury Lane. [1864], [1868], [1872]

1871 Census

Grout Street

- [1] *Daniel Round* (59), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Amelia Round* (55), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ann Dunn* (21), general servant, born Tipton:

1881 Census

29, Grout Street – BULLS HEAD

- [1] *Daniel Round* (64), retail brewer, born Tipton;
- [2] *Amelia Round* (65), wife, born Halesowen;
- [3] *Ann M. Williams* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

D. Round issued tokens from here.

Joseph Richards, beer retailer, 29, Grout Street. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

1891 Census

29, Grout Street

- [1] *Joseph Richards* (34), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah A. Richards* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Daniel Dunn* (20), son, sheet mill iron works, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Benjamin Dunn* (19), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Amelia A. Richards* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eva S. Richards* (7 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 2/3/1901

“Yesterday (Friday) afternoon, Mr. Lyon Clark (deputy coroner) held an inquest at the BULLS HEAD INN, Grout Street, Greets Green, respecting the death of Elizabeth Prime (63), wife of John Prime, of Grout Street.

It appeared that on the 19th ult deceased was arranging a clothes line in the house when she fell off the table on to the floor. The back of her head came in sharp contact with the quarries [tiles].

Dr. Allen said death was due to compression of the brain caused by the rupture of a blood vessel.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”

1901 Census

29, Grout Street – BULLS HEAD INN

- [1] *Joseph Richards* (44), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah A. Richards* (48), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Eva Richards* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joseph Richards* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Richards* (72), father, widower, invalid, born West Bromwich:

Benjamin Dunn, beer retailer, 29, Grout Street. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

29, Grout Street

- [1] *Benjamin Dunn* (39), brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Dunn* (40), wife, married 14 years, assisting in the business, born Handsworth;
- [3] *Benjamin Dunn* (12), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Horace Dunn* (9), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Howard Dunn* (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *David Elisha Dunn* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Olive Maud Dunn* (8 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Mary Bonehill* (41), general servant, born Handsworth:

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Darts League. [1951]

The license was surrendered, and the house closed at 10pm on 29th August 1954.

BULLS HEAD

4, (6), Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Phoebe Knowles [1881]
Benjamin Fones
Messrs. E. and W. Raybould
Thomas Henry Bates, Spon Lane, West Bromwich
Thomas Oliver Ltd. [1908]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]

LICENSEES

Thomas Knowles [1853] – **1877**);
Mrs. Phoebe Knowles (**1877 – 1882**);
Benjamin Fones (**1882 – 1894**);
Harry Fones (**1894 – 1895**);
John William Gutteridge (**1895**);
William Danks (**1895 – 1896**);
Harry Heaven (**1896 – 1897**);
Thomas Withers (**1897**);
Alfred William Thomas Green (**1897 – 1898**);
William Wood (**1898 – 1899**);
William Clansey Jnr. (**1899 – 1900**);
William Reeves (**1900 – 1901**);
Arthur Gould (**1901 – 1903**);
John James Bullock (**1903 – 1908**);
Isaac George Foxcroft (**1908**);
Herbert Edward Pritchard (**1908 – 1931**);
Joseph Harper (**1931 – 1945**);
Bernard Farmer (**1945 – 1948**);
John William Robinson (**1948 – 1950**);
Bernard Farmer (**1950 – 1952**);
Joseph Parker (**1952 – 1954**);
Roland Oliver Aston (**1954 – []**)

NOTES

4+6, Hawkes Lane [1888], [1889], [1891], [1892]
6, Hawkes Lane [1896], [1900], [1901]
4, Hawkes Lane [1904]

It was originally the MOULDERS ARMS.

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Knowles, beer retailer, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1853], [1861], [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Hawkes Lane

- [1] *Thomas Knowles* (70), iron founder and publican, born Dudley;
- [2] *Phebe Knowles* (68), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *Phoebe M. G. Knowles* (24), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Rhuben Knowles* (34), son, moulder, born Dudley;
- [5] *Fanny Knowles* (24), daughter in law, born Warton, Warwickshire;
- [6] *Abigail Knowles* (12), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Thomas Knowles* (10), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Francis Knowles* (4), grandson, born West Bromwich:

Phoebe Knowles = *Phebe Knowles*

1881 Census

Hawkes Lane – MOULDERS ARMS

- [1] *Phebe Knowles* (81), widow, beer seller, born Netherpton;
- [2] *Reuben Knowles* (45), son, lodger, iron moulder, born Netherpton;
- [3] *Fanny Knowles* (43), wife, born Waston (?), Warwickshire;
- [4] *Thomas Knowles* (20), grandson, roll turner, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frank Knowles* (14), grandson, born West Bromwich:

Benjamin Fones, beer retailer and butcher, 4-6, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1888], [1889], [1892]

1891 Census

4+6, Hawkes Lane – MOULDERS ARMS

- [1] *Benjamin Fones* (58), butcher and beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Fones* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Harry Fones* (23), son, butcher's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Fones* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Kate E. Fones* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice M. Fones* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ethel M. Fones* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

The name was changed to BULLS HEAD in 1892.

Smethwick Telephone 25/2/1893

“.....Mr. Josiah Field is instructed to sell by Auction, on Tuesday, February 28th 1893 Lot 1. – All that Old-Established and Valuable Freehold Beerhouse, situate in Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, West Bromwich, and known as the BULLS HEAD INN, with the Licenses, Goodwill and Possession, together with the Retail Butcher's Shop attached thereto. The premises comprise Bar, Tap Room, Sitting Room, Large Kitchen, Scullery, Verandah, Club Room, 2 Capital Cellars. China Pantry, 4 Bedrooms, 2 Attics, Large Workshop at Rear, Slaughterhouse, Cowhouse, Sausage House, Stable with large loft over, paved yard and side entrance. This property is at present in the occupation of the owner, who is retiring from business, solely on account of ill-health. The premises are in first-class repair, have a commanding front, and a capital business is being carried on, both in the Beerhouse and the Butcher's Shop, which could be readily extended by a pushing and persevering young man.”

William Danks, beer retailer, 6, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1896]

William Clansey, beer retailer, 6, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1900]

1901 Census

6, Hawkes Lane

- [1] *William Reeves* (66), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Nancy Reeves* (64), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Kate Reeves* (30), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Leah Reeves* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Samuel Sinltock* (34), boarder, house painter, born West Bromwich:

William Reeves – see also CROWN AND ANCHOR.

John Bullock, beer retailer, 4, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 27/7/1906

“*John Tandy* (28), carter, of Handsworth, was indicted for stealing a quantity of oats, the value of £5, the property of *Alfred Lloyd*, by whom he was employed, between the 1st of January and the 24th of May.

Joseph Wheatley (50), fruiterer, of Hill Top, and *John James Bullock* (37), landlord of the BULLS HEAD INN, Hawkes Lane, were charged with receiving the oats.

Mr. Millward (instructed by Messrs. Sharpe and Darby) appeared to prosecute, and *Mr. Dorsett*, with *Mr. G. C. Lewis* defended.

Mr. Millward described the case as one of the utmost importance to the trading community, as a servant had been encouraged to rob his master of goods that were of a character easy to steal. The evidence he proposed to give would show that *Tandy* was formerly employed by the prosecutor as a carter. Oats were missed by *Mr. Lloyd* on one or two occasions, and it was alleged that *Tandy* stole them and sold them at a very cheap rate to the other prisoners.

For the defence it was urged that what were sold were only the sweepings from the mill, and it was claimed that *Tandy* had a right to sell these. A fair price was paid for them, and the whole of the transactions took place in the daylight, and there was no attempt to conceal anything.

The three prisoners denied that the oats produced in Court were those sold.

The jury found the prisoners not guilty, and immediately afterwards there was a regular demonstration, a large number of people shaking hands with the accused before they left the Court. Outside the Court there was a good deal of jubilation at the result of the case, and the three men were taken by brake to Hill Top, a second brake containing their friends and sympathisers following and causing some little commotion.”

1911 Census

Hawkes Lane

- [1] *Herbert Pritchard* (36), licensed victualler, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Mary Pritchard* (35), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Hubert Pritchard* (8), son, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Ivan Pritchard* (6), son, born Wednesbury;
- [5] *Ann Headley* (15), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

A Provisional Order of Removal, to new premises partly on the existing site and partly on a site adjoining, was granted on 9th March 1950. It was confirmed on 21st April 1950. The Final Order was granted on 6th January 1955.

A full license was granted on 8th March 1956, and confirmed on 18th April 1956.

BULLS HEAD

146, High Street / Dartmouth Square / Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Peter Walker and Co. Ltd., Burton on Trent
Atkinsons Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Kempson [] BOOT
Whitehouse [] BOOT
William Hardware [1802]
Roger Hardware [1818] – [1841]
Edward Freeman [1858] – [1872]
Edward Cox [1873]
William Brennand [1881] – **1920**);
Thomas Brennand [1921] ?
John Henry Turner **(1920 – 1921)**;
Charles Matthews **(1921 – 1926)**;
Arthur John Gardner **(1926 – 1928)**;
Thomas Hodgkiss **(1928 – 1933)**;
James Freer **(1933 – 1934)**;
Richard Fantham **(1934 – 1935)**;
Claude Freer **(1935 – 1936)**;
Aquilla Roach **(1936 – 1937)**;
Sydney Garbett **(1937 – 1940)**;
Percy Edwards **(1940 – 1945)**;
Charles Enoch Taylor **(1945 – 1947)**;
John Thomas Dunn **(1947 – 1949)**;
Harold John Hatton **(1949 – []**
Hugh Williams **(1952 – 1956)**;
Alfred Walter Staden **(1956 – 1957)**;
Ronald Bruce Dempster **(1957)**;
Raymond Harry Swinson **(1957 – 1964)**

NOTES

Spon Lane [1828]
146, High Street [1891]

It was originally called the BOOT.

It was renamed the BULLS HEAD.

BULLS HEAD (and commercial) [1828]

It was known locally as “The Top Wrexham”.

Black Country Bugle 5/11/1998

'The Old Inns Of West Bromwich'

"The old inn was, in 1790, a farm as well as a pub and was known as the BOOT because it stood near to Boot Meadow. It had farmlands reaching back to Sams Lane....."

The original pub stood on the opposite corner of Spon Lane. The DARTMOUTH HOTEL was built on this site.

It was rebuilt c. 1825.

Smethwick Telephone

'Rub A Dub Dub Memories Of The Old Washtub'

"On opposite corners of Spon Lane at the Dartmouth Square end, the DARTMOUTH, a comparatively large Mitchells and Butlers house – and a Wrexham house, the BULLS HEAD were situated....."

Edward Freeman was fined £1 and costs for permitting gambling, in November 1870.

1871 Census

BULLS HEAD

- [1] *Edward Freeman* (42), publican, born Worcester;
- [2] *Jane Greeman* (50), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Morris* (32), daughter, married, annuitant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hannah Strong* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Bird* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Taylor* (50), brewer, born Darlaston:

Edward Cox was also an auctioneer, valuer and surveyor. [1873]

1881 Census

146, High Street – BULLS HEAD INN

- [1] *William Brennand* (34), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Latham (?), Lancashire;
- [2] *S. J. Brennand* (60), mother, housekeeper, born Grenningham, Lancashire;
- [3] *E. G. Brennand* (22), sister, dress maker, born Burton in Lonsdale, Yorkshire;
- [4] *C. M. Brennand* (19), sister, dress maker, born Burton in Lonsdale, Yorkshire;
- [5] *Walter Joseph Booton*, (24), barman, born Cleobury Mortimer;
- [6] *Elijah Rose* (19), general servant, born Long Compton, Warwickshire:

1891 Census

146, High Street – BULLS HEAD

- [1] *William Brennand* (44), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Askrigg, Lancashire;
- [2] *Elizabeth C. Brennand* (32), sister, born Barton, Yorkshire;
- [3] *Catherine M. Brennand* (29), sister, born Barton, Yorkshire;
- [4] *Walter J. Booton* (32), barman, born Bewdley;
- [5] *John A. Turner* (18), groom, born Studley, Warwickshire;
- [6] *Thomas Ashworth* (26), barman, born Barton, Lancashire;
- [7] *Eli Taylor* (21), barman, born Moscow, Russia (British subject);
- [8] *Sarah A. Noakes* (17), domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

West Bromwich Weekly News 6/1/1900 – Advert

“Use the Wrexhams / West Bromwich and Market Place, Great Bridge / Single bottles of wines and spirits at wholesale prices / Comfortable public smoke room / Football Results at All Houses / Walkers, Burton on Trent, Ales in Splendid condition / *Thomas Brennand*, proprietor.”

Charles Matthews was fined £1 and £4 4s 0d special costs, on 15th August 1921, for supplying intoxicating liquor to a drunken person.

It was the headquarters of Wrexham FC (West Bromwich) [1956]

A Provisional Removal Order was granted to premises to be erected on the corner of Gorse Farm Road and Langford Avenue [Red Admiral, Hamstead], on 6th March 1958, and confirmed on 15th April 1958.

It closed on 29th March 1959.

USE THE WREXHAMS,

WEST BROMWICH,

AND MARKET PLACE, GREAT BRIDGE.

Great Bridge Market Days: Wednesdays and Saturdays.

SINGLE BOTTLES OF WINES AND SPIRITS AT WHOLESALE PRICES.

COMFORTABLE PUBLIC SMOKE ROOMS.

FOOTBALL RESULTS AT ALL HOUSES.

WALKER'S, BURTON-ON-TRENT, ALES IN SPLENDID CONDITION.

THOMAS BRENNAND, Proprietor.

Advert 1901

BUSH

157, (61), Wood Lane, (Bull Lane), (74, (28), Claypit Lane), (Greets Green Road), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Darby
Charles Darby
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Mrs. Susannah Pugh [1835] – [1850]
John Pugh [1855] – [1865]
Richard Jesson [1865] – [1870]
George Darby [1872] – **1895**);
Charles Darby (**1895 – 1932**);
David Emmings [1904]
Benjamin Shuttle [1908]
Arthur James Hill (**1932 – []**)
Arthur Francis Hill [] – **1945**);
Edwin Henry 'Harry' Reynolds (**1945 – 1951**);
Leslie Edward Perry (**1951 – [1961]**)
Raymond Harry Swinson [1966]
Miss Alison Hill [1992]
Alan Greenaway [1993]

NOTES

Greets Green [1849]
Greets Green Road [1860]
Wood Lane [1868], [1889], [1904]
Claypit Lane [1888], [1896], [1900], [1904]
28, Claypit Lane [1881]
61, Wood Lane [1891]

1841 Census

Bull Lane
[1] *Susannah Pugh* (45), publican, born Staffordshire;
[2] *John Pugh* (20), butcher, born Staffordshire;
[3] *Mary Ann Pugh* (18), born Staffordshire;
[4] *Mary Pugh* (60), ind, born Staffordshire;
[5] *Martha Rodgers* (20), f.s, born Staffordshire:

John Pugh was also a lime burner and brickmaker. [1860]

1861 Census

Clay Pit Lane

- [1] *John Pugh* (41), victualler and iron merchant, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Pugh* (48), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Maria Mole* (19), house servant, born Yardley;
- [4] *Emily J. Mole* (14), house servant, born Oldbury;

Inquests were held here in 1868 and 1884.

1871 Census

Claypit Lane – OLD BUSH INN

- [1] *George Darby* (36), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Darby* (32), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alice Darby* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Darby* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Darby* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Charles Darby* (3 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Priscilla Street* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Elizabeth Powell* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *John Haywood* (34), boarder, brewer, born West Bromwich;

1881 Census

28, Claypit Lane – BUSH INN

- [1] *George Darby* (46), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Darby* (42), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alice Darby* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Darby* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Darby* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Charles Darby* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Elizabeth Darby* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Harry Darby* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Eleanor Darby* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Samuel Darby* (3), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Phoebe Whitehouse* (18), general servant, born Tipton;

1891 Census

61, Wood Lane – BUSH INN

- [1] *George Darby* (56), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Darby* (50), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Pollie Darby* (24), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charles Darby* (21), son, victualler's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Darby* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Harry Darby* (17), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Nellie Darby* (15), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Samuel Darby* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Elsie Darby* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Annie Whitehouse* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich;

George Darby founded *Darby's Brewery*.

Charles Darby was also a brewer of 6, Whitehall Road. [1916].

He was the son of *George*.

He was a committee member of West Bromwich & District Licensed Victuallers' Association. [1902]

West Bromwich Weekly News 22/12/1900

“A meeting of the Committee of the West Bromwich and District Licensed Trade Protection and Benevolent Association was held on Wednesday at the BUSH HOTEL, Wood Lane.....”

1901 Census

74, Claypit Lane

- [1] *Charles Darby* (30), brewer and wine and spirit merchant, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ada Darby* (30), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Ada M. Darby* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth G. Darby* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Darby* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Wilson* (27), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Mary J. Littlewood* (23), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 27/7/1901

“On Saturday, Court ‘Child of the Forest’, 2420, Ancient Order of Foresters (Greets Green and Wednesbury district), attained its jubilee, and a dinner was held at the Court House, the BUSH INN, Wood Lane, Greets Green, to celebrate the occasion. Bro. W. Wright, D.C.R. presided.....”

Charles Darby, BUSH, Claypit Lane, and *David Emmings*, BUSH, Wood Lane, appear in the same 1904 Directory.

[Was Charles Darby the owner, and David Emmings the manager? Why the different addresses?

The pub was on the corner of both streets. Likewise with Charles Darby and Benjamin Shuttle in 1908.]

Bush Rangers FC were based here.

They took part in the Handsworth and District Junior Football League.

They won Division I in the 1930's.

A Combined Provisional Grant and Ordinary Removal of a Publican's License was confirmed on 30th April 1936.

The original premises closed on 9th May 1937 at 10pm.

Demolished

It was rebuilt, and opened in 1937.

Edwin Henry Reynolds was married to Nancy.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946]

Midland Chronicle 23/3/1951

“The prize presentation of Darby's Domino League was held at the BUSH INN, West Bromwich on Wednesday week presided over by Mr. Whitehouse. He congratulated the winners, and paid tribute to the work of Mr. Sewell and the committee. Mr. J. Worrall of Darby's Brewery presented the prizes.....”

Tipton Herald 11/6/1965

“The first outing of the Tote Fund of the BUSH INN, Claypit Lane, West Bromwich, yesterday took 120 old age pensioners on a day trip to Rhyl.

The pensioners left the BUSH INN in three coaches, accompanied by five members of the Tote Committee.

A meal was laid on in Rhyl, and the old people were each given 10s spending money.

The money for this first effort on behalf of the BUSH was raised by raffles and bingo, as well as by the Tote itself.”

Closed
It reopened as DARBY'S on 7th December 1984.

[1998]

It was renamed AVEY'S.

Closed [2000]
It was converted into a community centre in 2002.



1986



Ex Pub 2003

BUSH +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Herbert Cole **(1927 - 1932)**

NOTES

Herbert Cole – see also NAGS HEAD, Carters Green and ROYAL EXCHANGE, Great Bridge.
He was married to Emma.

CAPE HOTEL

336, (366), Spon Lane, Mares Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

J. C. Ledbury, Handsworth
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd. [1894], [1895]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Rudge [1818]
William and Edward Rudge [1828] – [1830]
Samuel Southall [1834] – [1835]
Mary Mitchell [1841] – [1842]
Thomas Craggs [1845] – [1850]
Edwin Holland [1851]
Henry Mitchell **(1852 – 1854)** tenant
Alfred Andrews [1855]
Thomas Turner [1855] – [1865]
George Turner [1868] – **1887)**
George Turner Jnr. [1888]
Arthur Andrews [1889] – **1893);**
Frederick Wheldon **(1893 – 1895);**
Edward John Arthur Glover **(1895 – 1898);**
Joseph Hotchkiss **(1898 – 1901);**
Jesse Stokes **(1901 – 1904);**
Edward Alexander Frowen **(1904 – 1906);**
Harry Chatwin **(1906 – 1907);**
Philip Bill **(1907 – 1908);**
George Wilfred Jones **(1908 – 1909);**
William Thomas Hall **(1909 – 1914);**
John James Underwood **(1914 – 1917);**
Henry Vann **(1917 – 1918);**
Emma Vann **(1918 – 1919);**
Henry Vann **(1919 – 1923);**
Charles William Morrison Niblett **(1923 – 1927);**
Frank Parish **(1927 – 1932);**
Arthur William Wilkins **(1932 – 1934);**
John Simpkins **(1934 – 1938);**
Frederick William Whatman **(1938 – 1939);**
Reginald Watkins **(1939);**
Frank Elbro **(1939 – 1940);**
Thomas Albert Bayliss **(1940 – 1945);**
Frederick Davies **(1945 – 1950);**
George Joseph Hawkins **(1950 – 1954);**
Edward 'Eddie' Boughton **(1954 – 1957);**
John Morris **(1957);**
Frederick Henry Prestidge **(1957 – 1958);**
Alexander Raeburn Hornby **(1958 – 1959);**
John Henry Richards **(1959 – [1961]** manager

NOTES

It was situated on the West Bromwich side of the canal.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE [1828], [1830], [1842]

CAPE INN [1860], [1861], [1864], [1870]

CAPE HOTEL [1845], [1849], [1850], [1855], [1869], [1873], [1881], [1889], [1891], [1892], [1897], [1899], [1902], [1904], [1908], [1912], [1916], [1921]

Smethwick Telephone

'Rub-A-Dub-Dub Memories of the Old Washtub'

"Next, opposite the entrance to Chance's Glassworks, there was a second M&B house, the CAPE OF GOOD HOPE, where the glassworkers slaked their lunch time thirst with a fourpenny beer...."

Black Country Bugle 5/11/1998

'The Old Inns of West Bromwich'

".....The other Spon Lane inn of the time was the CAPE OF GOOD HOPE. This house stood beside the canal, and its landlord of 1800 (?), *Samuel Southall* ran a wharf at the rear of his premises. It may have been that the inn was rebuilt on grander lines in the 1860's, for in 1869 *George Turner* is styled as landlord of the CAPE HOTEL. Next to the pub was a cottage known as the 'dead house', which was used as a mortuary for people drowned in the canal. The keys to this grim building were kept at the pub. The CAPE as it was known was rebuilt in 1894 and a massive building was erected. Its trade was not all that was expected, however, for Arthur Mitchell (of M&B) wrote in his diary of 1897, 'Hardly does enough trade, try change'. The CAPE was demolished in the late 1960's."

Samuel Southall was also a wharfinger, Spon Lane Wharf.

1841 Census

Spon Lane

[1] *Mary Mitchell* (45), licensed victualler, born Staffordshire;

[2] *Mary Mitchell* (15);

[3] *John Harris* (20), warfinger;

[4] *John Butcher* (30), brewer, born Staffordshire;

[5] *Emila Lister* (3), born Staffordshire;

[6] *Thomas Lister* (1), born Staffordshire:

1851 Census

Spon Lane

[1] *Edwin Holland* (30), innkeeper, born Birmingham;

[2] *Mary Holland* (45), wife, born Stourbridge;

[3] *Anne Holland* (54), mother, unmarried, born London;

[4] *Emma Price* (20), house servant, born Bromsgrove;

[5] *Jane Lloyd* (19), house servant, born Madeley:

Edwin Holland was married to *Mary*.

Henry Mitchell was born in Bromyard in 1810.

He was a member of Court 'Shakespeare', A.O.F., which met at the CAPE. This Court ceased to exist c.1930, when it amalgamated with Court 'John H. Cheshire', which met in West Bromwich.

- See also ODDFELLOWS ARMS, Hall St. and CROWN, Oldbury Rd., Smethwick.

A. *Andrews* issued tokens from here.

Thomas Turner was also a wharfinger. [1860]

1871 Census

Spon Lane – CAPE HOTEL

- [1] *George Turner* (50), licensed victualler, born Shrewsbury;
- [2] *Hannah Turner* (55), wife, born Astley, Lancashire;
- [3] *Thomas Turner* (23), son, pattern maker, born Liverpool;
- [4] *Margaret Turner* (19), daughter, born Liverpool;
- [5] *George Turner* (16), son, born Liverpool;
- [6] *Thomas Edwards* (14), nephew, pupil teacher, born Smethwick;
- [7] *Matilda Baker* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Mary Jackson* (30), visitor, dressmaker, born West Bromwich:

George Turner was also a wharfinger. [1873]

Wednesbury Herald 8/1/1881

“On Tuesday Mr. Edwin Hooper (South Staffordshire Coroner) held an inquest at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, West Bromwich, on the body of *James Cook* (54), keeper of the bottom lock on the Birmingham Canal at Spon Lane. On Thursday deceased went at midday to receive 30s, the value of a pig he had sold, and at night, accompanied by his housekeeper, *Emma Taylor*, he went to a pork butcher in Spon Lane and received a further sum of between £2 and £3. Deceased and *Taylor* subsequently went to the CAPE HOTEL, and the deceased preceded *Taylor* homewards. When the housekeeper got to the house she found it closed as when she had left it. A search was made for *Cook*, and his body was next morning found in the Birmingham Canal about half way between the CAPE HOTEL and deceased’s house. Of the £4 he was supposed to have had in his possession when he started on his way home, there was but 3d in his pockets.

There was no evidence of foul play having been used towards the deceased, and a verdict of Accidental death was returned.”

1881 Census

Spon Lane – CAPE HOTEL

- [1] *George Turner* (60), licensed victualler, born Shrewsbury;
- [2] *Hannah Turner* (64), wife, born Astley, Lancashire;
- [3] *George Turner* (26), son, assistant, born Liverpool;
- [4] *Annie Myers* (32), daughter, born St. Ellens [St. Helens];
- [5] *John Myers* (36), son in law, pattern maker, born Smethwick;
- [6] *George Myers* (8), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Annie Myers* (4), granddaughter, born Astley, Lancashire;
- [8] *Margaret Howard* (38), niece, barmaid, born Smethwick;
- [9] *Alphonse Bregy* (11), grandson, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [10] *James Day* (28), servant, born Bolton on the Water, Gloucestershire;
- [11] *Clara Lawrence* (20), domestic servant, born Great Bridge;
- [12] *Agnes Borcett* (16), domestic servant, born Aston, Warwickshire:

Smethwick Telephone 5/11/1887

“Inquest at CAPE OF GOOD HOPE, Spon Lane, re the death of *George Turner*, the landlord of the CAPE OF GOOD HOPE, who was found drowned on Monday last – *John Myers*, pattern maker, son in law of the deceased, said he had lodged at the CAPE OF GOOD HOPE during the last 14 years. He last saw the deceased alive on Monday [31/10], when he was speaking to him on business matters. Deceased seemed to be in very good spirits, and was also a very abstemious man. – *Alice Bregg* [Bregy?], barmaid and granddaughter of the deceased, said she went to take his tea upstairs to him at 5.30. When she entered his room he was asleep, and she did not disturb him. On going into the room again at 8.30, she found that deceased was not there. She went and told the former witness, who searched all the rooms, but could not find him.

George Cottam, a cab proprietor, said he walked to the canal wharf and got a rake to drag the canal, where in a few minutes he found the body of the deceased. PC *John Murphy*, stationed at West Bromwich, said he found the body on the bank. On searching deceased’s clothes he found in his pockets four bottles of ginger beer, one lump of glass and a piece of tile; also a little box containing a fourpenny bit and a few stamps. – Suicide during temporary insanity.”

Smethwick Telephone 16/2/1889

“CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane – Mr. *Arthur Andrews* (who has lately purchased the business of the above inn), together with Mr. *George Turner*, late owner, provided a supper on Wednesday evening last upon the premises, when about a hundred of the friends and customers were invited to partake of a substantial meal. The business was carried on successfully for 27 years by Mr. *Turner*’s respected father.”

1891 Census

361, Spon Lane – CAPE HOTEL

- [1] *Arthur Andrews* (34), licensed victualler, born Rowney Green, Gloucestershire;
- [2] *Mary L. Andrews* (34), wife, born Smethwick;
- [3] *Florence Andrews* (11), daughter, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [4] *Ernest Andrews* (10), son, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Emily Andrews* (9), daughter, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [6] *Agnes Griffiths* (18), domestic servant, born Smallbrook, Staffordshire:

Arthur Andrews was fined 40s and costs, on 2nd July 1891, for permitting drunkenness.

Smethwick Telephone 27/1/1894

“Clearing Out Sale of Public House Fixtures, Fittings and Furniture at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane (near the L & NW Railway Station) by J. W. Florance. To be sold by auction on Friday next, February 2nd 1894 (by direction of Messrs. Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd. who are rebuilding) the whole of the fixtures and fittings comprising Countering, beer engine, spirit fountain, shelving and bar fittings, partitionings, cupboards, gas fittings, pier glasses, hydrometer, seating chairs, tables, pictures, clocks, tap room, smoke room and club room furniture, stone and other casks and miscellaneous effects.”

Smethwick Telephone 2/3/1895 - Advert

“CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane / This magnificently fitted hotel offers every accommodation / Good (Concert and) Assembly Rooms / Splendid Smoke Room and Bar / Good Stabling, Warehouses and Canal Wharfage / Mitchells Prize Medal Ales / Wines, Spirits and Cigars of the Finest Quality.”

Smethwick Telephone 13/4/1895

“On Tuesday evening the opening of the Large Assembly Room at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, was celebrated by a smoking concert. A large company was present and Mr. Harper of West Bromwich presided.....”

Smethwick Telephone 18/1/1896

“The quarterly meeting of the Foresters delegates in the Smethwick and West Bromwich district was held on Saturday afternoon at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane. Mr. G. H. Weston (DCR) presided.....”

Smethwick Telephone 18/4/1896

“A largely attended meeting of the representatives of the Foresters’ Courts in the Smethwick and West Bromwich district was held at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, on Saturday.....”

Smethwick Telephone 21/10/1896

“On Saturday last a good number of members and visiting members attended ‘Perseverance’ Lodge No. 953 (National United Order of Free Gardeners) held at the CAPE HOTEL.....”

Smethwick Telephone 17/4/1897

“Smethwick and West Bromwich District of Foresters. The quarterly meeting of the representatives of the Courts comprising the Smethwick and West Bromwich District was held at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, on Saturday afternoon.....”

Smethwick Telephone 2/7/1898

“A smoking concert was held at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, on Wednesday night, in connection with the Smethwick and West Bromwich District A.O.F., for the purposes of presenting to Bro. John Smith a souvenir of his services as district treasurer for the past 40 years.”

Wolverhampton Chronicle 12/7/1899

Smethwick and West Bromwich Foresters – ordinary quarterly meeting of delegates held here.

Joseph Hotchkiss = Joseph Hotchkess

Smethwick Telephone 16/9/1899

“There was an interesting gathering of Foresters at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, on Thursday night, when the opportunity was taken, as one of the brethren said, ‘of doing honour to whom honour is due’. After a very enjoyable spread, admirably catered for by the genial host, Mr. *Hotchkiss* The event of the evening was the presentation of a gold albert chain, with Foresters’ pendant (or jewel as it is called) attached, to Bro. John Cotterell.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 20/1/1900

“The ordinary quarterly meeting of delegates representing the Courts forming the Smethwick and West Bromwich District of the Ancient Order of Foresters was held at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, on Saturday afternoon.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 17/3/1900

“There was a large gathering at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, on Monday evening, when Mr. Archie Martin gave his first smoking concert. Mr. J. Onslow presiding.....”

1901 Census

366, Spon Lane – CAPE HOTEL

- [1] *Joseph Hotchkiss* (53), licensed victualler, born Dudley;
- [2] Jane Hotchkiss (61), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Annie F. Hotchkiss (22), daughter, born Dudley;
- [4] Mary Gilbert (58), visitor, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Alfred B. Swan (19), barman, born West Smethwick;
- [6] Emma L. Thompson (22), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 18/1/1902

“Josiah Smith (26), ironworker, of Union Street, Spon Lane, was brought up in custody, charged with attempting to obtain 19s 9d by means of a trick from *Jesse Stokes*, landlord of the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, West Bromwich, on Wednesday afternoon.

Florence Lee, barmaid, stated that prisoner entered the ‘snug’ at the CAPE HOTEL, and asked to be supplied with a pint of ale. Witness served him with the ale, whereupon accused put on the counter a coin. Witness took it in her hand, and enquired, ‘Is it a sovereign?’ Prisoner replied, ‘Yes’. Witness thereupon went to the till to obtain change, but as there was insufficient money in the till she took the ‘sovereign’ to the landlord, and asked him to change it. *Jesse Stokes*, the prosecutor, said his suspicions were immediately aroused when the barmaid gave him the coin. He compared it with a sovereign, and found it to be considerably larger in size and lighter in weight. Witness called prisoner’s attention to the matter, and told him he should refuse to change the coin. Accused persisted that it was a sovereign, and on witness threatening to call in a policeman he bolted out of the house.

Sergeant Wilson said the coin was a shilling, which had been gilded.

Prisoner gave himself up at the police station at 6.45 on Thursday morning. He pleaded that the coin was given to him by a youth, who found it on the canal side.

The magistrates inflicted a fine of 10s and costs (in all 30s), or, in default, one month’s imprisonment.”

Smethwick Weekly News 22/2/1902

“Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants. It is well known the only day on which railwaymen can meet together is Sunday, and last Sunday evening the members of the Birmingham and District Council of the above Society, together with their wives, met in the Club room of the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane. Mr. John Hough presiding.....”

Court ‘Pride of the Forest’ (A.O.F.) met here. [1903]

Wednesbury Leader 19/10/1906

“There was a full attendance of delegates at the annual meeting of the Smethwick and West Bromwich District of the Ancient Order of Foresters, which was held at the CAPE HOTEL, West Bromwich, on Saturday afternoon last. Bro. J. Holloway, DCR, presided, and the vice chair was occupied by Bro. H. H. Wimbury.....”

1911 Census

Spon Lane – CAPE HOTEL

[1] *William Thomas Hall* (47), hotel keeper, born Staffordshire;

[2] *Mary Hall* (47), wife, married 15 years, assisting, born Worcestershire;

[3] *Arthur Biddlestone* (21), assistant, born Staffordshire:

West Bromwich Weekly News 25/1/1913

“L & N.W.Railway Company, Goods Department. On Saturday last a very enjoyable evening was spent at the CAPE HOTEL, Spon Lane, when upwards of 60 members of the staff and friends were present. Representatives attended from the following firms:-

The Metropolitan Carriage, Wagon, and Finance Co. Ltd. Mr. J. Baker (who presided) and Mr. Thomas Castles; Chance Brothers and Co. Mr. J. H. Tarleton; Lewis Demuth and Co. Mr. Williams. In addition, there were also present representatives from the whole of the other departments in the district, rolling stock, goods managers, and traffic, including the stationmaster, also Mr. J.Parsons, of the Midland Railway Co. After full justice had been paid to the very excellent dinner provided by the host (*Mr. Hall*), the cloth was drawn, and a very capable musical programme provided solely by the staff.....”

John James Underwood was born in Halford Street, Smethwick c. 1860.

He was described as a beerhouse keeper in August 1895.

He died in January 1934, aged 74, and was buried at the Uplands Cemetery.

See also – STAR, BRIDGE, and BOILERMAKERS ARMS, Smethwick, and CAPE HOTEL, West Bromwich

Teams from here took part in the Spon Lane Dominoes League. [1946], [1951], [1966]

Eddie Boughton was married to *Laura*.

J. H. Richards rescued a woman from drowning in the canal, in 1961.

Closed

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

206, Hill Top, (206, High Street) / Barrack Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Robert Spittle, Old Meeting Street
Enoch Dabbs, Barncroft Street
Elwell, Williams [1907]
Smith and Williams [1917]
Julia Hanson and Son (acquired on 2nd July 1934)

LICENSEES

William Whitehouse [1861] – **1886**);
Ann Whitehouse (**1886 – 1887**);
Alfred Wheatley Dabbs (**1887 – 1897**);
Mrs. Hannah Maria Dabbs (**1897 – 1907**);
Thomas Firkin (**1907 – 1909**);
William Bladon (**1909 – 1915**);
William Parkes (**1915 – 1916**);
Arthur Betts (**1916 – 1928**);
Arthur Henry Owen (**1928 – 1929**);
Frederick Gaden (**1929 – 1930**);
William Thomas Humphries (**1934 – 1938**);

NOTES

It was originally called the STAR HOTEL until the 1880's.

It had a beer and wine license.

William Whitehouse, beer retailer, Hill Top. [1864], [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Hill Top – CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

- [1] *William Whitehouse* (36), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Whitehouse* (46), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Whitehouse* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Whitehouse* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William Whitehouse* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Lois Whitehouse* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Eunice Whitehouse* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Isaac Whitehouse* (1), son, born West Bromwich:

William Whitehouse was fined 40s and costs, on 15th June 1874, for permitting drunkenness.

1881 Census

206, Hill Top – CAPE OF GOOD HOPE INN

[1] *William Whitehouse* (66), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Ann Whitehouse* (58), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Whitehouse* (23), son, blacksmith, unemployed, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Lois Whitehouse* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 21/10/1882

“An inquest was held at the CAPE OF GOOD HOPE, Hill Top, on Monday, before Mr. E. Hooper, on the body of John Wall (74), of 23, Lea Street, Hill Top, who was found dead under a wall at Holloway Bank on Thursday afternoon.

A verdict of Death by natural causes was returned.”

Alfred W. Dabbs, beer retailer, 206 Hill Top. [1888]

Ann Whitehouse, beer retailer, 206, Hill Top. [1889]

1891 Census

206, High Street – Public House

[1] *Alfred W. Dabbs* (33), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Hannah M. Dabbs* (29), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Beatrice W. Dabbs* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Alfred M. Dabbs* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Florence W. Dabbs* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Edith W. Dabbs* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Emma Stanley* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Alfred Dabbs, beer retailer, 206, Hill Top. [1892]

Alfred W. Dabbs, beer retailer, 206, Hill Top. [1900]

Mrs. Hannah Dabbs, beer retailer, 206, Hill Top. [1900]

[These appeared in the same directory.]

1901 Census

Hill Top

[1] *Hannah M. Dabbs* (39), widow, publican and brewer;

[2] *Beatrice Dabbs* (16), daughter, assistant, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Alfred Dabbs* (14), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Florence Dabbs* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Edith Dabbs* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *William Dabbs* (9), son, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Emma Wheatley* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Harriet Dabbs, beer retailer, 206, Hill Top. [1904]

Thomas Firkin, beer retailer, 206, Hill Top. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

206, Hill Top

- [1] *William Bladon* (54), manager beerhouse, born Tipton;
- [2] *Emily Bladon* (53), wife, married 33 years, assisting in business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Endora Bladon* (21), daughter, domestic, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Bladon* (16), son, box turner, coach axles, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frank Bladon* (14), son, milling, coach axles, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Laurence Bladon* (11), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Alice Bladon* (27), daughter, domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Conveyance dated 2/7/1934

“All that piece of land situate at Hill Top in the Parish of West Bromwich aforesaid bounded on the East by the High Road leading from Birmingham to Shrewsbury on the West by property now or late of James Almark and on the North by Barrack Street And Also All That freehold dwelling-house known as The CAPE OF GOOD HOPE and numbered 206 Hill Top West Bromwich aforesaid together with the outbuildings erected on part of the said land and now or formerly occupied by *A. Betts* And Also All Those two freehold shops and messuages numbered 202 and 204 Hill Top.....”

Cape Villa FC was based here. They won the Handsworth League in 1935/36 season.

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1938.

The renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 15th July 1938.

The license was extinguished on 31st December 1938.

CHAMPION OF ENGLAND

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Perry **(1852 - 1857)**

NOTES

William Perry was born c. 1819, in Park Lane, Tipton.
He was an ex-prizefighter, known as 'The Tipton Slasher'.
He died on Christmas Eve 1880.
He was buried in Kates Hill churchyard.

'The Tipton Slasher' by Tom Langley

".....He [*Perry*] retired from the ring and set up a beer house in Spon Lane, West Bromwich, called the CHAMPION OF ENGLAND. The pub disappeared many years ago to make way for an extension to Chance's Glass Works....."

[I have only ever found this pub mentioned in connection with William Perry. It is quite likely that it was known by another name, and was merely changed whilst he was landlord.]

CHURCH TAVERN

87, (55), Trinity Road (Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John C. B. Rolfe
George Perks
Arthur James Price, Lewisham Brewery, West Bromwich
Holders Brewery Ltd. [1909]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

George Perks [1870] – **1889**;
Francis Johnson (**1889 – 1890**);
John Griffiths (**1890 – 1899**);
William Taylor (**1899 – 1902**);
Levi Smith (**1902 – 1904**);
John Golding (**1904 – 1912**);
George Powell (**1912 – 1936**);
Mrs. Annie Powell (**1936 – []**)
Leonard Joseph Powell [1951] – **1958**);
Josephine May Espley (**1958 – []**)

NOTES

55, Trinity Street [1881]
55, Trinity Road [1888], [1889], [1891], [1892]
87, Trinity Road [1901], [1904], [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

George Perks, beer retailer, Trinity Road. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Trinity Road – CHURCH TAVERN

- [1] *George Perks* (55), publican, born Moxley;
- [2] Sarah Perks (54), wife, born Brettell Lane;
- [3] Frances [sic] Perks (21), son, butcher, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

55, Trinity Street

- [1] *George Perks* (65), beerhouse keeper, born Staffordshire;
- [2] Sarah Perks (64), wife, dressmaker, born Staffordshire;
- [3] Frank Perks (21), son, butcher, born Staffordshire:

George Perks, beer retailer, 55, Trinity Road. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

55, Trinity Road – CHURCH TAVERN

- [1] *John Griffiths* (51), coal miner and beerhouse keeper, born Donington, Shropshire;
- [2] *Fanny Griffiths* (50), wife, born Dawley Green, Shropshire;
- [3] *Rose Griffiths* (21), daughter, adjuster of weights at holloware works, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Griffiths* (19), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary J. Griffiths* (14), daughter, general servant, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Anne E. Griffiths* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Alice Griffiths* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

John Griffiths, beer retailer, 55, Trinity Road. [1892]

1901 Census

87, Trinity Road

- [1] *William Taylor* (44), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Taylor* (45), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Taylor* (21), daughter, born Hoxton, London;
- [4] *Harriet Taylor* (11), daughter, born Ilford, Essex;
- [5] *William Taylor* (8), son, born Ilford, Essex;
- [6] *George Taylor* (5), son, born Ilford, Essex:

Levi Smith, beer retailer, 87, Trinity Road. [1904]

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

1911 Census

Trinity Road – CHURCH TAVERN

- [1] *John Golding* (64), beerhouse keeper, born Chepstow, Monmouthshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Golding* (64), wife, married 43 years, assisting in business, born Bilston;
- [3] *Herbert J. Field* (39), son in law, house painter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Maud Field* (39), daughter, married 11 years, born Bilston;
- [5] *Percy Victor Field* (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Hannah Simkiss* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

George Powell was married to *Annie*.

A team from here took part in the Sandwell Darts League. [1946]

It was granted a publican's license on 8th February 1951, and confirmed on 17th April 1951.

CHURCHFIELD TAVERN

18, (8), (7), Little Lane, (Tenscore Street), Lyndon, (Church Vale), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Samuel Woodhall Ltd.
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1938]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1986]

LICENSEES

Paul Woodhall [1858] – [1872]
Henry Woodhall [1881] – **1890**);
Thomas Whateley (**1890 – 1892**);
Mrs. Hannah Whateley (**1892 – 1897**);
Joseph Hefford (**1897 – 1901**);
Charles William Mounsey (**1901 – 1905**);
Alfred James Knight (**1905**);
John Wise (**1905 – 1907**);
David Parker (**1907 – 1908**);
George Carr (**1908**);
Alfred Higgison (**1908 – 1909**);
George Ratcliffe (**1909 – 1911**);
Frederick Taylor (**1911 – 1912**);
Herbert Tuckley (**1912**);
Mrs. Emma Jane Tuckley (**1912 – 1913**);
Tom Stanley (**1913 – 1921**);
Thomas Stanley (**1921 – 1924**);
Frederick William Adams (**1924 – 1936**);
William Whitehouse (**1936 – 1938**);
Anthony Miller (**1938 – 1940**);
Thomas Charles Lewis (**1940 – 1941**);
John James Grocott (**1941 – 1947**);
James Birks (**1947 – 1960**);
Henry Raybould Whitehouse (**1960 – []**)
Peter Sutcliffe [1986]
Jeff Whitehouse [1992] – [2004]

NOTES

Church Vale [1868]
7, Little Lane [1881]
8, Little Lane [1891]
Tenscore Street [1892], [1896], [1900]
18, Little Lane [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

Churchfield Tavern.
P AUL WOODHALL'S NOTED OLD
HOUSE.

FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION, PURE
ALES, WINES & SPIRITS, GOOD CIGARS.

SMOKING CONCERT Every Saturday
Night.

Fine Assembly Rooms, suitable for private
theatricals, Dancing, Parties, Political Meet
ings, etc. Terms moderate.
Present Proprietor—JOHN WISE.

Advert 1906

Paul Woodhall beer retailer, Lyndon. [1858]
Paul Woodhall, beer retailer, Little Lane. [1861]

1871 Census

Little Lane – CHURCH FIELD TAVERN

- [1] *Paul Woodhall* (66), widower, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Henry Woodhall* (24), son, agent, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary Woodhall* (16), granddaughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Griffiths* (29), son in law, boat loader, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Griffiths* (33), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah Griffiths* (14 months), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

7, Little Lane

- [1] *Henry Woodhall* (34), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Caroline Woodhall* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Henry P. Woodhall* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Alice Woodhall* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Arthur Woodhall* (5 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Paul Woodhall* (76), father, retired publican, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ann Horton* (18), general servant, born Wednesbury;
- [8] *Eliza Horton* (16), nurse, born Wednesbury:

Wednesbury Herald 1/3/1884

“An inquest was held on Wednesday, by Mr. E. Hooper, (South Staffordshire Coroner), at the CHURCHFIELD TAVERN, Church Vale, West Bromwich, on the body of Elizabeth Holding (37), wife of Thomas Holding, collierysmith, of 27, Parsonage Street, who was found drowned in an arm of the Birmingham Canal, at Hall End, on Sunday.

The evidence showed that deceased was not generally a sober woman. She had been drinking all the week.

Police-constable Durris proved the finding of the body in the canal. It smelt strongly of drink.

As there was no evidence to show how deceased got into the canal the jury returned a verdict of Found drowned.”

AND

“A second inquest was held on Wednesday by Mr. Hooper at the CHURCHFIELD TAVERN, West Bromwich, on the body of James Hodgetts (64), All Saints Street, who was found dead in bed on Tuesday.

Deceased lived alone, and had died from the effects of a stroke or fit.

The jury returned a verdict of Death from natural causes; the Foreman remarking that death had evidently been accelerated by excessive drinking.”

Henry Woodhall R.A.O.B., CHURCHFIELD TAVERN and pleasure gardens, Little Lane, Church Lane.
[1888]

1891 Census

8, Little Lane – CHURCH FIELD TAVERN

- [1] *Thomas Whateley* (38), publican, born Tamworth;
- [2] *Hannah Whateley* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ada H. Whateley* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Whateley* (15), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emanuel Beddoe* (62), boarder, widower, spring maker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *David Freeman* (18), barman, born Tamworth;
- [7] *Lilley Joel* (23), visitor, teacher of music, born Birmingham;
- [8] *William Brewer* (17), visitor, carpenter, born Stratford on Avon:

1901 Census

Little Lane

- [1] *Joseph Hefford* (59), publican, born Alderbury, Hertfordshire;
- [2] *Hannah Hefford* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Charles W. Monsey* (37), son in law, tailor, born Penrith, Cumberland;
- [4] *Ada H. Monsey* (28), stepdaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ada G. Monsey* (7), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah L. Cartwright* (14), servant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Leader 12/1/1906 - Advert

“CHURCHFIELD TAVERN / Paul Woodhall’s Noted Old House / First Class Accommodation, Pure Ales, Wines & Spirits, Good Cigars / Smoking Concert Every Saturday Night / Fine Assembly Rooms, suitable for private theatricals, Dancing, Parties, Political Meetings, etc. Terms moderate. / Present Proprietor - *John Wise*.”

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

George Carr, beer retailer, 18, Little Lane. [1908]

1911 Census

18, Little Lane

- [1] *Frederick Taylor* (51), licensed victualler, born Tamworth;
- [2] *Adeline Taylor* (45), wife, born Burton on Trent;
- [3] *Jessie Adeline Taylor* (20), daughter, born Burton on Trent;
- [4] *Winifred Mary Taylor* (17), daughter, born Burton on Trent:

Frederick Taylor, beer retailer, 18, Little Lane. [1912]

Herbert Tuckley was married to *Emma Jane*.
He died in 1912.

It was the headquarters of West Bromwich Harriers athletic club from 1923.

It had a bowling green [2004]

It had a bowling club [2004], [2006]

[2008]

Demolished [2013]



1986



2008

CLAYTON HOUSE

Dudley Road, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Clayton

LICENSEES

John Clayton [1870] – [1889]

NOTES

CLAYTON HOTEL

It had a beer and wine license.

1871 Census

Bilhay Lane – CLAYTON HOUSE

[1] *John Clayton* (51), civil engineer and publican, born Tipton;

[2] *Elizabeth Clayton* (51), wife, born Darlaston;

[3] *Angelina L. C. Grice* (2), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Martha Fisher* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

John Clayton, wine and refreshment rooms and beer retailer, Dudley Street. [1872]

Wednesbury Herald 8/11/1879

“..... To be sold by Auction, by Messrs. Ashcroft & Son, at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, West Bromwich, on Tuesday the 11th day of November, 1879.....

Lot 1 – CLAYTON HOUSE HOTEL, situate on the Dudley Road, midway between West Bromwich and Great Bridge, and close to the Swan Village Station on the Great Western Railway, with the Outbuildings, Yards, Stabling, Gardens, and grounds thereto belonging.

The Hotel contains spacious, highly decorated Hall, extending through the building, with handsome Portico, Entrance, Reception Rooms, Bar, Public Room, Domestic Offices, Lavatories, six Bed Rooms, Dressing Rooms, Bath Room, Attics, Tower fountaining water tanks for the supply of hot and cold water; large Concert Room 70 feet long; and capital Store Cellar &c.

The interior of the Hotel has been fitted up regardless of cost. The Out Buildings consist of 4-horse Stable, Coach-houses, Saddle-Room and other domestic offices. There is also a large Courtyard. The Grounds, which are well planted with Trees and Shrubs, consist of Flower Garden, Lawn, tastefully laid out, and a spacious Green. There is also large and handsome Conservatory, containing some choice Vines. The whole is surrounded by a strong wall, and contains 1,595 square yards, or thereabouts.

The Hotel is well adapted for carrying on an extensive business. It may also be easily adapted to an educational or other public establishment, as its close proximity to the railway affords a ready access to a very populous district. It was originally a gentleman's mansion, to which it can again be restored at but little cost.”

John Clayton, beer retailer, Dudley Street. [1889]

1881 Census

CLAYTON HOUSE – public house

Unoccupied.

COACH AND HORSES

33, Kesteven Road / Essex Avenue, Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Enterprise Inns [1990's]
J. D. Wetherspoon

LICENSEES

Leslie Horace Knight **(1959 – 1968)**
Brenda Henefer [1992]
Robert Fisher [2001]
Heath Curley [2001]

NOTES

Dudley Herald 17/3/1956

“.....also approved M&B building licensed premises on corner of Kesteven Road and Essex Avenue.”

It opened on 5th November 1958.

It was acquired by the Wetherspoons chain, and its name was changed to MOON UNDER WATER in 1998.

It was put up for sale in 2001.

Its name was changed back to the COACH AND HORSES. [2006]

[2014]



c. 1986



2014

COACH AND HORSES

39, Lyng Lane, (Ling Lane), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Maston, Lower Gornal
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Abell [1861] – [1865]
Edwin Partridge [1868] – [1873]
Isaac Baker [1881] – [1884]
Mrs. Ann Baker [1888] – **1890**;
John Rollason (**1890**);
Alfred Cottrill (**1890 – 1891**);
Mrs. Sarah Cottrill (**1891 – 1897**);
Thomas Ashworth (**1897 – 1907**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Ashworth (**1907 – 1908**);
Joseph Thomas Enoch Lowe (**1908 – 1911**);
Samuel Scholey (**1911 – 1921**);
Samuel Chaler (**1921 – 1923**);
Horace Simpkin (**1923 – 1931**);
William Fred Hunt (**1931 – 1937**);
Alfred Sidney Steen (**1937 – 1938**);
Isaac Weston (**1938 – 1958**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Abell, beer retailer, Lyng Lane. [1861]

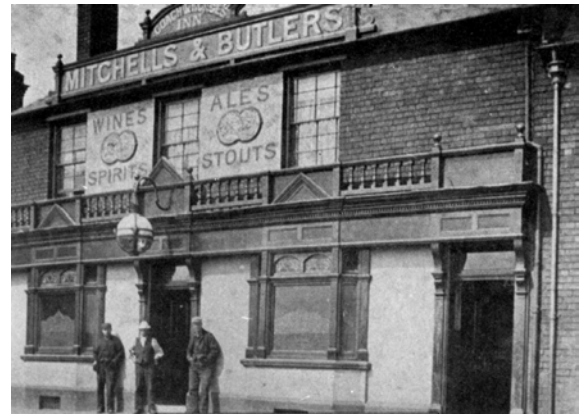
1861 Census

COACH AND HORSES

[1] *Thomas Abell* (37), publican, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Hannah Abell* (32), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Sarah Elizabeth Barnes* (15), servant, born Padbury, Buckinghamshire:



c. 1910

Edwin Partridge was fined £2 15s 6d (or 2 months imprisonment) for permitting drunkenness, in March 1869.

1871 Census

Lyng Lane

- [1] *Edwin Partridge* (64), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lavinia Partridge* (36), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Edwin Partridge* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Josephine Partridge* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lavinia Partridge* (1 month), daughter born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Jane Baker* (15), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Hannah Edwards* (22), nurse born Oldbury;

1881 Census

39, Lyng Lane

- [1] *Isaac Baker* (49), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Baker* (54), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lizzie Baker* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Tabitha Baker* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Russell* (22), servant, born West Bromwich;

Smethwick Telephone 8/2/1884

“*William Ingram* (35), Lyng Lane was fined £1 10s 6d and costs or 21 days for stealing 3s from a till in the bar of the COACH AND HORSES, on the 27th ult. The money of *Isaac Baker*.”

Alfred Cottrill was fined £2 and costs, on 28th August 1890, for permitting drunkenness.

1891 Census

39, Lyng Lane – COACH AND HORSES

- [1] *Alfred Cottrill* (50), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Cottrill* (53), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alfred Cottrill* (22), son, fitter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charles Cottrill* (19), son, painter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth H. Cottrill* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;

1901 Census

39, Lyng Lane

- [1] *Thomas Ashworth* (32), licensed victualler, born Barton, Lancashire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Ashworth* (27), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alfred J. E. Ashworth* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Annie Jordan* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich;

1911 Census

39, Lyng Lane

- [1] *Joseph Lowe* (34), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Susan Lowe* (29), wife, married 6 years, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Susan Lowe* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Clara Loach* (22), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;

A Provisional Ordinary Removal to premises to be erected at the corner of Essex Avenue and Kesteven Road [COACH AND HORSES] was granted on 6th February 1958, and confirmed on 15th April 1958. A Final Order was made on 2nd October 1958.

COACH AND HORSES

5, Ryders Green Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Isaiah Kendrick, Greets Green

John Pratt

Jane (Pratt) Milner

Charles Henry Clarke, JOLLY BREWER INN, Camp Street, Wednesbury

LICENSEES

William Massey [1845] – [1861]

John Hale [1861] – **1873**;

Peter Fisher (**1873 – 1878**);

John Pratt (**1878 – 1891**);

Mrs. Jane (Pratt) Milner (**1891 – 1909**);

Joseph Worrall (**1909 – 1911**);

Joseph Lakin (**1911 – 1912**);

William James Jones (**1912**);

George Hadley (**1912 – 1915**);

Edward John Morgan (**1915 – 1919**);

Edwin Thomas Aston (**1919**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

William Massey, beer retailer, Swan Village. [1845], [1850]

1851 Census

Ryders Green

[1] *William Massey* (34), grocer and publican, born Sedgley;

[2] *Hannah Massey* (34), wife, born Tipton;

[3] *John Massey* (15), son, brewer, born Tipton;

[4] *William Massey* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Thomas Massey* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Richard Massey* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Sarah Price* (19), house servant, born Cardigan, Wales:

William Massey, beer retailer, Riders Green. [1858]

John Hale, beer retailer, Ryders Green Road. [1861], [1870], [1872]

1861 Census

Ryders Green

- [1] *William Massey* (45), publican, born Sedgley;
- [2] *Hannah Massey* (45), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Thomas Massey* (19), son, labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Richard Massey* (17), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Arthur Massey* (67), boarder, puddler, born Tipton;
- [6] *Mary Thomas* (21), servant, born Tipton:

1871 Census

Ryders Green – COACH AND HORSES

- [1] *John Hale* (52), boatman, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Hale* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Fanny Hale* (29), daughter, seamstress, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Isaac Hale* (27), son, boatman, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Hale* (16), son, boatman, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Richard Hale* (14), son, boatman, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Mary Fisher* (6), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 16/2/1878

“Richard Haines, labourer, was charged with cutting and wounding Isaac Hale, of Greets Green, on the previous Saturday. Mr. Jackson defended.

On the afternoon of the day mentioned the prosecutor and prisoner were drinking at the COACH AND HORSES public house, Greets Green, when they disagreed respecting the wages they had received, and the prisoner remarked that if the prosecutor did not hold his noise he would put the knife he was using into him. Hale told him to do it, and the prisoner then aimed a back-handed blow at him, and the knife struck him in the breast. The wound, however, was not a dangerous one. Prosecutor was subsequently attended by Mr. Barnes, surgeon, West Bromwich. The prisoner was apprehended the same night by Police constable Abernethy, and was in such a helpless condition that he had to be assisted to the police station.

The prisoner was committed to the Sessions.”

Wednesbury Herald 20/1/1881

“At the West Bromwich Police Court, on Saturday, Samuel Godfrey, George Fuel, and John Farley, all labourers of New Meeting Street, Oldbury, were charged with uttering counterfeit coins in the district. On the 17th inst the prisoners were in the neighbourhood of Greets Green, when seventeen bad florins were passed.

Police-constable Robinson arrested Fuel, who had tendered a counterfeit florin to the landlord of the COACH AND HORSES INN; and afterwards arrested Farley and Godfrey in the act of passing another bad florin. Five counterfeit florins were found on Farley.

Prisoners were committed for trial.”

1881 Census

5, Ryders Green Road

- [1] *John Pratt* (38), publican, born Rowley;
- [2] *Jane Pratt* (38), wife, born Shrewsbury;
- [3] *George Pratt* (16), son, blacksmith, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jane Downs* (78), widow, mother in law, born Clun:

John Pratt, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 5, Ryders Green Road. [1889]

1891 Census

5, Ryders Green Road – BLACK HORSE INN

- [1] *John Pratt* (51), publican, born Tividale;
- [2] *Jane Pratt* (51), wife, grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Hooper* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Jane Pratt married *Mr. Milner* in 1893.

Mrs. Jane Milner, beer retailer, 5, Ryders Green Road. [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908]

1901 Census

5, Ryders Green Road

- [1] *John Milner* (44), shingler, ironworks, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Milner* (54), wife, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Pratt* (13), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Ann Homer* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

5, Ryders Green Road

- [1] *Joseph Lakin* (46), beerhouse manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Ann Lakin* (50), married 23 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Lakin* (18), nut and bolt riveter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ethel Baker* (17), niece, envelope making at printer, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Lakin, beer retailer, 5, Ryders Green Road. [1912]

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 13th March 1919.

The renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 28th May 1919.

The license was extinguished on 6th December 1919.

COACH FARM TAVERN

Coles Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Samuel Bennett [1870]

NOTES

[Is this possibly a misspelling of GOUGHS ARMS, Jowetts Lane?]

CORNER HOUSE

214, (210), High Street / Queen Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Horton Estate Ltd., 31a, Colmore Row, Birmingham
Atkinsons Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1959]
Bass Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Kimberley **(1911 - 1912);**
Arthur Louis Bradbury **(1912 - 1913);**
Alfred Charles Lawrence **(1913 - 1914);**
John Little **(1914 - 1924);**
George Sidwell **(1924 - 1927);**
Frederick Slingsby Gales **(1927 - 1928);**
Edwin James Hall **(1928);**
Thomas McGeorge Bell **(1928 - 1931);**
Gilbert Webley **(1931 - 1937);**
Austin William Goodway **(1937);**
William John Taylor **(1937 - 1939);**
Raymond Frank Watts **(1939 - 1943);**
Alfred Potter **(1943 - 1944);**
James John Galbraith **(1944 - []**
Edward Kennison **(1952 - 1954);**
James John Galbraith **(1954 - 1955);**
Mrs. Annie Maud Galbraith **(1955);**
John Samuel Woodhall Gibbons **(1955 - 1959);**
Thomas Henry Perks **(1959);**
William Edward Sitch **(1959 - []**

NOTES

BASS CORNER HOUSE [1916], [1921]
CORNER HOUSE [1924]

Final Order granted 5th October 1911.

It had a jazz club.

Edward Kennison was married to Margaret.

James John Galbraith was married to *Annie Maud*.

COTTAGE SPRING

10, Crook Hay Lane / Schofield Avenue, (1, Crook Hay Lane / 38, Witton Lane), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mary Dickens
James Dickens
Bent's Brewery Ltd. [1929]
Atkinsons Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Dickens [1850] – 1872);
Mary Dickens (1872 – 1875);
James Dickens (1875 – 1878);
Elizabeth Munday (1878 – 1886);
Thomas Munday (1886 – 1898);
William Henry Bowater (1898 – 1901);
Sarah Bowater (1901 – 1902);
Joseph Wilkes (1902 – 1905);
Arthur Burns Gould (1905 – 1914);
Josephus Simpson (1914 – 1922);
Ernest James Lacy (1922 – 1929);
Mrs. Gertrude May Lacy (1929 – 1931);
John Thomas Hornby (1931 – 1936);
George Daniel Ferguson (1936 – 1956);
Mrs. Jane Ferguson (1956 – 1966)
Thelma White [1992]
Mark Parkes (1993)
George Taylor (2007 – [2009]



NOTES

Witton Lane [1850], [1864], [1875], [1886]
1, Crook Hay Lane [1881], [1891], [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]
38, Witton Lane [1889], [1892], [1896]
10 Crook Hay Lane

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Dickens, beer retailer, Witton Lane. [1850], [1860], [1864], [1872]

1881 Census

1, Crookhay Road – COTTAGE SPRING
[1] *Elizabeth Munday* (58), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Kingswinford;
[2] *Mary E. Munday* (19), daughter, born Wall Heath:

Thomas Munday, beer retailer, 38, Witton Lane. [1889], [1892]

1891 Census

1, Crookhay Lane – COTTAGE SPRING

- [1] *Thomas Munday* (35), beer seller, born Wall Heath;
- [2] *Elizabeth Nunday* (39), wife, born Wordsley;
- [3] *Betsy Jones* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Samuel Metcalf* (47), visitor, potter's labourer, born Wordsley:

Thomas Munday, beer retailer, 1, Crookhay. [1896]

He issued tokens from here.

1901 Census

Crookhay Lane – COTTAGE SPRING

- [1] *William H. Bowater* (45), beerhouse keeper, born Sedgley;
- [2] *Sarah Bowater* (44), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *James Bowater* (22), son, barman, born Sedgley;
- [4] *David Bowater* (20), son, horse driver (coal), born Dudley;
- [5] *Elizabeth Bowater* (18), daughter, born Moxley;
- [6] *William Bowater* (15), son, labourer axle works, born Moxley;
- [7] *Annie Clark* (22), general servant, birthplace not known;
- [8] *Mabel Clark* (1), adopted daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Henry Bowater was referred to as *John Bowater* in August 1901, when he left for America.

Joseph Wilkes, beer retailer, 1, Crook Hay Lane, Hill Top. [1904]

Arthur Gould, beer retailer, 1, Crook Hay Lane, Hill Top. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

1, Crookhay Lane

- [1] *Arthur Burns Gould* (41), grinder iron, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Charlotte Burns Gould* (39), wife, married 14 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Arthur Burns Gould* (14), son, school part time, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edgar Burns Gould* (13), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Gladys Burns Gould* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Polly Talbot* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Elsie Firkins* (3), niece, born West Bromwich:

Ernest James Lacy was married to *Gertrude May*.

He died in 1929.

It was sold at auction for £3,628 on 14th October 1929.

A full license was granted on 8th February 1951, and confirmed on 17th April 1951.

George Daniel Ferguson was married to *Jane*.

He died in 1956.

A Provisional Removal Order to new premises to be erected at the corner of Crookhay Lane and Schofield Avenue was granted on 5th March 1959, and confirmed on 31st April 1959.

The Final Order was granted on 7th April 1960.

It closed on 6th April 1960.
It was demolished.
It was rebuilt on a nearby site.
The new building opened for trade on 7th April 1960.

Mark Parkes – see also PRINCE OF WALES, West Bromwich, WHEELWRIGHTS ARMS, Netherton, and WATERFALL, Old Hill.

George Taylor was born c. 1975.

[2014]



2008



2014

COTTAGE SPRING

Oak Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John White [1870]

NOTES

The license renewal to *John White* was refused in October 1870.

COTTAGE SPRING

36, Oldbury Road, Greet's Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Owen Reece
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Lester [1881]
Owen Reece [1888] – 1889);
William Bynion (1889 – 1899);
Mrs. Betsy Bynion (1899 – 1901);
Albert Henry Bynion (1901 – 1912);
Jesse Seymour Coley (1912 – 1926);
Arthur Tonks (1926 – 1928);
William Henry Best (1928 – 1930);
William Read (1930 – 1965);
Lawrence Allen Gibson (1965 – 1979):

NOTES

It was situated on the opposite corner to the RED LION, near Stour Street.

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

36, Oldbury Road

- [1] *William Lester* (72), widower, publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *Rebecca Wright* (18), general servant, born Northampton;
- [3] *Catherine Wright* (15), visitor, born West Bromwich:

Owen Reece, beer retailer, 36, Oldbury Road. [1888]

1891 Census

36, Oldbury Road

- [1] *William Bynion* (62), publican, deaf, born Kingswinford;
- [2] *Betsy Bynion* (50), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary Ann Bynion* (26), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Albert Henry Bynion* (23), son, iron worker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Herbert Tom Bynion* (19), son, iron worker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Betsy Bynion* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Bynion, beer retailer, 36, Oldbury Road. [1892], [1896]
He died in 1899.

Mrs. Betsy Bynion, beer retailer, 36, Oldbury Road. [1900]

1901 Census

36, Oldbur Road

[1] *Betsy Bynion* (63), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Hary C. Chandler* (23), son in law, barman, born Warwick;

[3] *Betsy Chandler* (23), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 2/11/1901

“On Tuesday afternoon an inquest was held at the COTTAGE SPRING INN, Oldbury Road, Greets Green, by Mr. J. Clark (coroner), relative to the death of *Louisa Wilkins* (64), married woman, of Oldbury Road. On Sunday week deceased had a fall at her home, and subsequently had an apoplectic seizure, which deprived her of her speech. She died on Saturday last.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”

Henry Bynion, beer retailer, 36, Oldbury Road. [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

36, Oldbury Road

[1] *Albert Henry Bynion* (42), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Florence Annie Bynion* (40), wife, married 10 years, born Quarry Bank;

[3] *Gertrude May Lewis* (20), domestic servant, born Hill Top;

[4] *Fanny Watson* (28), visitor, born Great Bridge:

Albert Henry Bynion, beer retailer, 36, Oldbury Road. [1912]

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946], [1948]

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Darts League. [1951]

A full license was granted on 6th March 1958, and confirmed on 15th April 1958.

It closed on 18th March 1979.

COTTAGE SPRING

42, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Riley, Harts Hill, Brierley Hill

John Guest

William Molineaux (until 1883)

Daniel Tomlinson (acquired in May 1883 for £220)

Mrs. Sarah Ann Beddard, Albert Street, Spon Lane, West Bromwich

Mrs. Harriet Lewis, Dudley Street, West Bromwich

W. B. Price and Co. Ltd., Wellington Road, Handsworth

J. W. J. Kingstone Ltd. [1918]

Hubert Richard Twist, 9, Union Street, Birmingham [1928]

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Mrs. Sarah Riley [1868] – 1877);

Joseph Talbot (1877 – 1879);

William Molineux (1879 – 1883);

Daniel Tomlinson (1883 – 1884);

Albert James Wright (1884 – 1885);

Joseph Robinson (1885 – []

George Samuel Daulman (1887 – 1888);

John Guest (1888 – 1895);

Samuel Bayley (1895 – 1900);

John William Griffiths (1900 – 1908);

Arthur Beddard (1908 – 1909);

Edward Joseph Crinnian (1909 – 1910);

Henry Elmore Whitehouse (1910);

Archie Martin (1910 – 1911);

Frank Victor James (1911);

George Guest (1911);

James Pickering (1911 – 1912);

Alfred Cooper (1912 – 1915);

Joseph Henry Scott (1915 – 1926);

Bernard Wilkinson (1926 – 1928);

Arthur Harris (1928);

John Crisp (1928 – 1929);

Joseph Harold Williams (1929 – 1930);

Minnie Withers (1930 – 1935);

Charles Sumner (1935 – 1939);

John Birch (1939 – 1951);

George Hill (1951 – 1956);

Benjamin Hamblett (1956 – 1958);

William Hemming (1958 – 1960):

NOTES

It was situated between Thomas Street and George Street.

It had a beerhouse license.

Mrs. *Sarah Riley*, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Spon Lane – COTTAGE SPRING

- [1] *Sarah Riley* (67), widow, retail brewer, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Sarah L. Riley* (16), granddaughter, born Brierley Hill;
- [3] *Julia Riley* (14), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ellen Riley* (4), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Sarah Riley was fined 20s and costs for serving during prohibited hours, in September 1871.

William Molineux = *William Molineaux*

1881 Census

42, Spon Lane – Inn (COTTAGE SPRING)

- [1] *William Molineux* (34), commission agent, born Wellington, Shropshire;
- [2] *Emily Molineux* (36), wife, born Kingswinford;
- [3] *Emily Shakespeare* (12), niece, scholar, born Walsall;
- [4] *Alice Maria Bullock* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 9/2/1884

“*William Molineaux* of Oak Road, West Bromwich sued *Daniel Tomlinson* of the COTTAGE SPRING, Spon Lane for £5 5s for goods sold and delivered It was explained that the plaintiff was formerly the owner of the COTTAGE SPRING public house, which he had sold together with the lease, fixtures and goodwill of the house for £220 to the defendant in May last. The money being paid by an arrangement. On the defendant entering into possession, he asked *Molineaux* to get him some ale, and he accordingly ordered two casks and a cider cask from Messrs. Showells, and it was for the value of these that he now sued adjourned.”

- The County Court (26th March 1884) - judge held that the evidence was not sufficiently clear and ‘non-suited’ the plaintiff.

Samuel Daulman, beer retailer, 42, Spon Lane. [1888]

John Guest was fined £1 and costs, on 15th October 1891, for permitting betting.
He was fined £1 and costs, on 24th September 1894, for opening during prohibited hours.

Samuel Bayley, beer retailer, 42, Spon Lane. [1896], [1900]

Smethwick Telephone 26/8/1899

“.....Sell By Auction Lot 5. - All that well-known Beerhouse, known as the COTTAGE SPRING, situate in Spon Lane, West Bromwich having a frontage thereto of 14 yards and containing 420 square yards or thereabouts. The House and Premises contain good Sleeping Rooms, Club Room, Smoke Room, Tap Room, Bar, Malt Room, Brew House, Cellar and enclosed Yard with Cart Entrance.

And also a Piece of Land, containing 140 square yards or thereabouts, situate at the back of the said Public House. The COTTAGE SPRING is leasehold for a term of 150 years, from the 25th March 1831, at an annual ground rent of £3; and the said piece of land at the rear thereof is also leasehold for 151 years, from the 25th March 1839, at the annual ground rent of 15s.”

- It was sold, with the piece of land, on 4th September 1899 for £1,150.

William Griffiths, beer retailer, 42, Spon Lane. [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

42, Spon Lane

[1] *Frank Victor James* (47), professor of music, born Dudley;

[2] *Harriett Lizzie James* (48), wife, married 24 years, carries on public house business, born Birmingham;

[3] *Doris Hill James* (9), daughter, school, born Aston;

[4] *Elsie Blakemore* (18), general servant, born Wednesbury:

James Pickering, beer retailer, 42, Spon Lane. [1912]

It was sold at auction on 23rd February 1928 for £1,900.

Minnie Withers – see also ANCHOR, High Street, and CROSS KEYS, Wood Lane.

Teams from here took part in the Spon Lane Dominoes League. [1946]

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority in 1959.

The house closed on 7th March 1960.



c. 1932

CRICKETERS ARMS

43, (17) Lower Trinity Street, (Glover Street), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Frank Woodbridge, West Bromwich
Mary Woodbridge, West Bromwich
Charles Darby, Dunkirk Brewery.
Darby's Brewery Ltd.
Ansell's Ltd. [1904]

LICENSEES

John Woodbridge [1858] – [1860]
Rebecca Gutteridge [1861]
John Woodbridge [1864] – [1872]
Henry Mason [1873]
Caleb Hale [1874] – **1892**;
Myra Hale (**1892 – 1893**);
John Richards (**1893 – 1895**);
Mrs. Mary Richards (**1895 – 1897**);
John Stockley (**1897 – 1904**);
Joseph Ainsworth Jr. (**1904 – 1905**);
William James Payne (**1905 – 1906**);
George Henry Stainer (**1906**);
John Elton (**1906 – 1907**);
Henry Mason (**1907 – 1909**);
Joseph Evans (**1909 – 1912**);
Robert Squires (**1912 – 1917**);
Julia Squires (**1917**);
Abraham Jones (**1917 – 1933**);
Charles Gibbons (**1933 – 1938**);
Edwin Henry Reynolds (**1938 – 1945**);
Joseph Frederick Pedley (**1945 – 1950**);
Frederick Yates (**1950 – 1952**);
Geoffrey Beasley (**1952 – 1953**);
Frederick Barther (?) (**1953 – 1955**);
Herbert Henry Styles (**1955**);
Patrick Joseph Kene (**1955 – 1956**);
Thomas Leonard Scott (**1956 – 1960**);
Joseph William Haynes (**1960 – []**)
Shurinder Bains [1992] – [1993]
Bob Walker [2012]

NOTES

Glover Street [1858]
Lower Trinity Street [1860]
17, Lower Trinity Street [1881], [1888], [1892]
43, Lower Trinity Street [1889], [1896], [1901], [1912], [1916], [1921], [2002]

Rebecca Gutteridge, CRICKETERS ARMS, Lower Lamby Street. [1861]

John Woodbridge was also a builder [1872]

1881 Census

17, Lower Trinity Street – CRICKETERS ARMS

- [1] *Caleb Hale* (43), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Myra Hale* (35), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Percy Samuel N. Hale* (2), son, born West Bromwich:

Evening Star 29/6/1882

“Yesterday afternoon Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, held an inquiry at the CRICKETERS ARMS, Lower Trinity Street, West Bromwich, relative to the death of a child named Sarah Ann Cash, aged one year and five months, who was drowned on the 27th inst. Deceased was seen playing in the yard adjoining its home about 2.20 on the day in question, but on its mother, Triposser Cash, going there a short time afterwards, she found her child with its head downwards in a small tub of water. Deceased was taken out, but died in a few minutes afterwards. A verdict of Accidental death was returned.”

1891 Census

43, Lower Trinity Street – CRICKETERS ARMS

- [1] *Caleb Hale* (54), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Myra Hale* (45), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Percy S. U. Hale* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jane Cutler* (67), visitor, widow, born Bilston:

John Stockley, beer retailer, 43, Lower Trinity Street. [1900]

1901 Census

43, Lower Trinity Street

- [1] *John Stockley* (31), brewer and publican, born America (British subject);
- [2] *Amy J. Stockley* (24), wife, born Australia (British subject);
- [3] *Adelaide U. Stockley* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John W. Stockley* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frank H. Stockley* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Rhoda Lloyd* (22), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Rachel Cunliffe* (70), widow, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Amsworth, beer retailer, 43, Lower Trinity Street. [1904]

Chronicle for West Bromwich and Oldbury 4/3/1910

“Mr. Lyon Clark, deputy coroner, held an inquest at the CRICKETERS ARMS, Lower Trinity Street, West Bromwich, on Monday afternoon, relative to the death of May Clark, 2 years and 4 months old, who lived with her mother in Union Street, West Bromwich, and who was killed by being run over on Friday, the 25th ult.

Elizabeth Clark, the mother, said that on the afternoon in question, about 4.15, she had the child in her arms, but as she wanted to fill a kettle the child was put on the floor. The next she heard was a man named Hodgetts running up the entry with the child, who was quite dead.

A miner named Isaac Hodgetts of Union Street, said he was standing at the door of his house, which is about 40 or 50 yards from the house occupied by the Clarks, when he saw the child run down the entry as hard as it could go, and it ran right into the side of a baker’s cart. The driver pulled up. Upon looking at the child the wheel was noticed to have gone over the right temple.

George Silk, of 30, Bridge Street, Wednesbury, said he was employed by Mr. Collett, baker, of Spon Lane, with whom he had been for the last twelve months. On Friday he was driving along Union Street, and when passing Hall Street he noticed something white flash down an entry. Immediately the cart jolted, and upon turning round to see the cause, to his horror and surprise he saw a child lying in the roadway. With two women he was on his way to the doctor, when, one of them said, ‘She’s dead.’ The horse was turned round, and the child taken home.

PC Milner said he found a very large bruise on the right temple of the child, and she was fairly well nourished. From inquiries he found that the child was continually running in the streets, and on the day of the fatality she was playing in the street.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death, and exonerated the driver from all blame.”

1911 Census

Lower Trinity Street – CRICKETERS ARMS

[1] *Joseph Evans* (45), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Annie Evans* (45), wife, married 19 years, assisting in the business, born Hereford;

[3] *Annie Evans* (17), daughter, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich:

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1946], [1966], [1967]

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

A team from here took part in the Smethwick and District Charity Darts League. [1986/7]

[2014]



1986



2014

CRONE HILLS TAVERN

31, Beale Street, (Beall Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Israel Moore
William Baggott
Arthur James Price, Lewisham Brewery
Holders Brewery Ltd.,
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]

LICENSEES

Isaiah Moore [1871] – **1880**);
William Baggott (**1880 – 1902**);
George William Harper (**1902 – 1926**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Beall Street

- [1] *Isaiah Moore* (62), beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Moore* (64), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Hager Rowley* (14), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Samuel Holden* (14), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Isaiah Holden* (7), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Benjamin Green* (57), lodger, nailor, born Oldswinford:

Isaiah Moore, beer retailer, Beal Street. [1872]

1881 Census

31, Beale Street – CRONE HILLS TAVERN

- [1] *William Baggott* (28), bricklayer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Baggott* (29), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary Ann Baggott* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lily Baggott* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ann Green* (15), boarder, servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

31, Beale Street

- [1] *William Baggott* (38), grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Baggott* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary A. Baggott* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lilly Baggott* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

William Baggott, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 31, Beale Street. [1892], [1896]

1901 Census

31, Beale Street

[1] *William Baggott* (48), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Baggott* (48), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Lilly Baggott* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich:

George William Harper, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 31, Beale Street. [1904], [1908], [1912]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1926.

The license renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 22nd June 1926.

The license was extinguished on 29th November 1926.

CROSS KEYS

1, Wood Lane / Lamberts End, (Dartmouth Street), Lamberts End, (Greets Green), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Reuben Farley Esq., New Street, West Bromwich
Ann Hill
Minnie Withers and others
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1965]
Maple Leaf Inns

LICENSEES

Thomas Wood [1855] – [1858]
Jeremiah Richards [1860] – [1881]
Thomas Finney [1888]
Thomas Hill [1891] – **1896**;
Mrs. Ann Hill (**1896 – 1908**);
Mrs. Minnie Withers (**1908 – 1929**);
William Tinsley (**1929 – 1940**);
John Powell [1932] ?
Henry Bate (**1940 – 1960**);
Harry Evans (**1960 – []**)
Harry Conway [1960's]
Philip Partridge [2001]
David Holdness [] – **2006**



c. Late 1950s



2005

NOTES

It was the District house of the United Order of Free Gardeners [1868]

1871 Census

Wood Lane – CROSS KEYS INN

- [1] Jeremiah Richards (43), licensed victualler, born Coseley;
- [2] Hannah Richards (38), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] Hannah Richards (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Ezekiel Richards (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] John Richards (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Ellen Richards (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Jeremiah Richards (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] David Richards (10 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] Sarah Casey (13), nurse maid, born Oldbury;
- [10] John Hall (50), lodger, mill wright, born Penkridge, Staffordshire:

1881 Census

1, Wood Lane – CROSSED KEYS

- [1] *Jeremiah Richards* (52), licensed victualler, born Sedgley;
- [2] *Hannah Richards* (48), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Ezekiel Richards* (21), son, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Richards* (18), son, bricklayer, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ellen Richards* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Jeremiah Richards* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *David Richards* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Thomas Richards* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Arthur Richards* (4), son, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 5/8/1882

“An inquest was held on Saturday, by Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, at the CROSS KEYS INN, Greets Green, West Bromwich, respecting the death of *Henry Smith* (44), butcher, formerly residing in Wood Lane, Greets Green, whose body was found in a marl hole at Messrs. Pearce’s brickworks on Friday night. Deceased had been missing since the 21st ult. He was a man of eccentric habits, and it is supposed that he committed suicide. As there was no evidence to show how he got into the water, the jury returned a verdict of Found drowned.”

1891 Census

1, Wood Lane – CROSS KEYS

- [1] *Thomas Hill* (49), publican, born Bristol;
- [2] *Ann Hill* (48), wife, born Stafford;
- [3] *Minnie Hill* (17), daughter, teacher in elementary school, born Stafford;
- [4] *Ann Hill* (10), daughter, scholar, born Stafford:

Thomas Hill died in 1896.

1901 Census

1, Wood Lane

- [1] *Ann Hill* (58), widow, licensed victualler, born Stafford;
- [2] *Minnie Hill* (27), daughter, board school teacher, born Stafford;
- [3] *Mary A. Ward* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

1, Wood Lane – Public House

- [1] *George M. Withers* (39), iron safe manufacturer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Minnie Withers* (38), wife, married 8 years, born Stafford;
- [3] *George Thomas Withers* (7), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Hill* (36), brother in law, barman in public house, born Worcester;
- [5] *Winifred E. Creaney* (15), cousin, born Birmingham:

Mrs. *Minnie Withers* – see also ANCHOR, High Street, and COTTAGE SPRING, Spon Lane.

H. Bate retired in 1961.

[2006]

It closed in 2006.

It was converted into a Ladbrokes betting shop.

CROWN

Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Charles Dowdeswell, Terrace Street, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Benjamin Bates [] - **1871**);
Emma Jackson (**1871** - []
Richard Davis [] - **1872**);
John Kendrick (**1872** - **1873**);
William Jackson (**1873**);
John Johnson (**1873** - **1874**);
David Gascoigne (**1874** - **1878**);
George Thompson (**1878** - **1888**);
Thomas Hedges (**1888** - []

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It was briefly known as the TRAMWAY INN in the 1870's.

Richard Davis, beer retailer, Carters Green. [1872]

West Bromwich Weekly News 15/10/1881

“Jesse Hipkins (33), Swan Village, was fined 40s and costs, or two months hard labour for refusing to quit the licensed premises of *George Thompson*, and acting in an indecent manner whilst on the premises. The Stipendiary remarked that it was one of the most disgraceful cases that ever came before him.”

AND

“*John Sperrins* (27), beerhouse keeper, [VINE] Dartmouth Street, was fined 10s and costs for an assault on the wife of the above prosecutor.”

CROWN

5, Church Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Stephen Blincow
Edward Bailey, Dartmouth Street, West Bromwich
Charles Bailey, Dartmouth Street, West Bromwich
John Joule and Co. Ltd. [1929]

LICENSEES

Stephen Blincow [1872] – **1902**);
Levi Cornfield (**1902 – 1910**);
Bert Sperring (**1910 – 1911**);
George Austin (**1911 – 1922**);
Benjamin Green (**1922 – 1925**);
Mrs. Harriet Green (**1925 – 1926**);
Herbert Longhurst (**1926 – 1929**);
Robert George Knott (**1929 – 1930**);
John Cottrell (**1930 – 1932**);
John Henry Lewis (**1932 – 1933**);
Alfred Biggs (**1933**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Stephen Blincow, beer retailer, Church Lane. [1872]

1881 Census

5, Church Lane – CROWN INN

- [1] *Stephen Blincow* (55), publican and breeze dealer, born Northampton;
- [2] Hannah Blincow (55), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Ann Butler (26), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Stephen Blincow, beer retailer and scrap dealer, Church Lane. [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900]
He was fined 20s and costs, on 25th April 1889, for opening during prohibited hours.

1891 Census

5, Church Lane – CROWN INN

- [1] *Stephen Blincow* (60), scrap dealer, born West Haddon, Northamptonshire;
- [2] Eliza Blincow (58), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Ann Giddins (32), widow, domestic servant, born Tipton;
- [4] George Robins (35), lodger, carter, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

5, Church Lane

- [1] *Stephen Blincow* (71), publican, born West Haddon, Northamptonshire;
- [2] Eliza Blincow (68), wife, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 12/10/1901

“The West Bromwich magistrates were asked on Thursday to transfer the license of the CROWN INN, Church Lane, to *Levi Cornfield*. Mr. James Scattergood enquired what wages *Cornfield*, who was to manage the house, would receive, and on receiving a reply the magistrate said he would then be paid at the rate of 3½d per hour for 15 hours a day. He hardly thought this sufficient to keep a man from falling into temptation, while the state of his health on entering into the licensing trade would only be one-seventh of what it was today. The application was granted.”

Levi Cornfield, beer retailer, Church Lane. [1904], [1908]

George Austin, beer retailer, 5, Church Lane. [1912]

West Bromwich Weekly News 18/1/1913

“Joseph Garbett (13), Old Meeting Street, was charged with stealing 3s out of a till.

George Austin, licensee of the CROWN INN, Church Lane, stated that he had occasion to leave the bar, and upon coming back he saw prisoner at the open till, from which 3s was missing.

Mr. J. S. Sharpe, for the defence, asked the magistrates to deal leniently with the prisoner, as he did not know the enormity of his offence.

Defendant was bound over for three months under the Probation of Offenders Act.”

Benjamin Green was married to *Harriet*.
He died in 1925.

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 9th March 1933.
The license was extinguished on 9th December 1933.

CROWN

Hargate Lane / 1, Mill Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Rev. John Salter, West Bromwich
William Price, Birmingham Road, West Bromwich
Holders Brewery Ltd. [1909]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

John Willsbury [] - **1878**);
William Wheatley (**1878 - 1887**);
Mrs. Maria Llewelyn (**1887 - 1888**);
Robert Bates (**1888 - 1891**);
John Tonks (**1891 - 1893**);
Alfred Hadley (**1893 - 1919**);
Ernest Hadley (**1919 - 1937**);
Mrs. Gertrude May Hadley (**1937 - 1938**);
Charles Sumner (**1938** - [1948])

NOTES

1, Mill Street [1881], [1891], [1911]
Hargate Lane

It had a beerhouse license.

Tokens were issued from here.

Mrs. *Maria Llewelyn*, beer retailer, 1, Mill Street. [1888]

1881 Census

1, Mill Street – CROWN INN

[1] *William Wheatley* (35), unmarried, coach spring forger and publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Sarah A. Wheatley* (28), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Benjamin Wheatley* (67), visitor, annuitant, born Walsall:

[Were Sarah and Benjamin relatives of William?]

William Wheatley, beer retailer, 1, Mill Street. [1889]

1891 Census

1, Mill Street – Public House

[1] *Robert Bates* (50), beerhouse keeper, born Padbury, Buckinghamshire;

[2] *Harriet Bates* (57), wife, born Ivinghoe, Buckinghamshire:

Robert Bates, beer retailer, 1, Mill Street. [1892]

Alfred Hadley, beer retailer, 1, Mill Street and Hargate Lane. [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

1, Mill Street

[1] *Alfred Hadley* (43), beerhouse keeper, born Cakemore;

[2] *Jane Hadley* (48), wife, married 20 years, assisting in the business, born Toll End;

[3] *Ernest Hadley* (20), son, billiard marker, born Smethwick:

A publican's license was granted on 12th February 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

CROWN AND ANCHOR

73, (39), Hollyhedge Road / Pennymill Lane, (The Field), (Church Vale), Charlemont, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Andrew Dawes, High Street, Wednesbury
Thomas Smith, Holloway Bank, West Bromwich
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd. (lessees) [1900]
Ann Elizabeth Smith, 57, Cemetery Lane, West Bromwich [1913]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]
Arena Pubs

LICENSEES

William George Cooper [] - **1877**);
Robert Charles Cooper (**1877 - 1879**);
Henry Sutton Whitehall (**1879 - 1880**);
George Gough (**1880 - 1883**);
William Reeves (**1883 - 1900**);
William Bennett (**1900 - 1901**);
Edward Riley (**1901 - 1909**);
Albert William Withers (**1909 - 1911**);
Edwin Bicknell (**1911 - 1912**);
George Alfred Lewis (**1912 - 1915**);
Edward Carpenter (**1915 - 1935**);
Arthur Leslie Hinton (**1935 - 1936**);
Stanley Cowell (**1936 - 1940**);
Samuel Lewis Hallard (**1940 - 1941**);
Albert Bytheway (**1941 - 1950**);
Frederick John Pedley (**1950 - 1953**);
Geoffrey Beesley (**1953 - []**)
Thomas Alfred Broomhall (**1957 - [1960's]**)
Dorothy Meredith [1992]



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NOTES

39, Hollyhedge Road [1881], [1891], [1901], [1911], [1932]
73, Hollyhedge Road

It was known locally as "Jinglers".

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

39, Hollyhedge Road

- [1] *George Gough* (37), retail brewer, born Retford, Nottinghamshire;
- [2] *Mary Gough* (36), wife, born Middleton, Warwickshire;
- [3] *George A. Gough* (16), son, iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William E. Gough* (13), son, scholar, born Sutton, Staffordshire:

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/11/1881

“A meeting of the creditors of *George Gough*, of the CROWN AND ANCHOR, Hollyhedge Road, retail brewer, was held on Monday, at the offices of Messrs. Jackson and Sharpe. Mr. Charles Russell in the chair. The statement of affairs showed liabilities £257 18s 8d. An offer was made by Mr. Jackson of 11s in the £, which was refused. After the examination of the debtor, it was ultimately resolved to liquidate his affairs. Mr. Charles Russell and Mr. Reuben S. Batchford, were appointed joint trustees. Messrs. Jackson and Sharpe were entrusted with the registration of the resolution.”

William Reeves, beer retailer, 39, Hollyhedge Road. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900]

1891 Census

39, Holly Hedge Road – CROWN AND ANCHOR

- [1] *William Reeves* (55), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Nancy Reeves* (53), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Kate Reeves* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William H. Reeves* (19), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Leah Reeves* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

39, Hollyhedge Road – CROWN AND ANCHOR

- [1] *Edward Riley* (36), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Riley* (32), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Sarah Riley* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *May Riley* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Edward Riley, beer retailer, 39, Hollyhedge Road. [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

39, Hollyhedge Road

- [1] *Edwin Bicknell* (36), publican, born Stockton, near Rugby;
- [2] *Alice Charlotte Bicknell* (29), wife, married 8 years, assisting in business, born Long Itchington, near Rugby;
- [3] *Geoffrey Edwin Bicknell* (4), son, born Stockton, near Rugby;
- [4] *Elizabeth Bicknell* (34), sister, visitor, born Stockton, near Rugby:

Edwin Bicknell, beer retailer, 39, Hollyhedge Road. [1912]

A team from here took part in the Stone Cross and District Dominoes League. [1951]

A Provisional Removal of the license of the KING AND CONSTITUTION was granted.

The Final Order was granted on 4th July 1957.

Closed

Demolished

It was rebuilt.

The new building opened for trade on 19th September 1957.

[2014]



CROWN AND CUSHION

1, (8), Lloyd Street / 1, Seagar Street, Mayers Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Richards, High Street, West Bromwich
Arthur James Price, High Street, West Bromwich
Holders Brewery Ltd. [1913]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. (acquired in 1919) [1961]
Punch Taverns

LICENSEES

Joseph Richards [1871] - **1873**);
John Watts (**1873 - 1888**);
David Cornfield (**1888**);
John Frederick Noke (**1888 - 1889**);
Samuel Lyons (**1889 - 1896**);
William Coleman (**1896 - 1908**);
Arthur Care (**1908 - 1912**);
Stephen Dawes (**1912 - []**)
George Baddeley [] - **1930**);
Harold Washbourne (**1930 - 1931**);
Stanley Davies (**1931 - 1935**);
William Edgar Stafford (**1935 - 1940**);
Harry James Lucas (**1940 - 1941**);
Beatrice Ellen Lucas (**1941 - 1944**);
Ernest Bevan (**1944 - 1958**);
F Elbro (**1958 - 1961**);
Ivy Selina Elbro (**1961 - []**)
Peter McMahon [] - **1989**)
Ray Timmins [1992]
S J Niblett [2008]

NOTES

Seagar Street [1871]
8, Lloyd Street [1881], [1901], [1911]
1, Lloyd Street

It was originally unnamed.

It had a beerhouse license.



1871 Census

Seagar Street

- [1] *Joseph Richards* (54), widower, public house keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Aaron Haines* (?) (31), son in law, miner, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Haines* (28), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joseph Haines* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Edward Haines* (6), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elizabeth Haines* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Richards, beer retailer, Lloyd Street. [1872]

1881 Census

8, Lloyd Street – CROWN AND CUSHION

- [1] *John Watts* (49), smith, born Maxhampton (?), Staffordshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Watts* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Watts* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Henry Watts* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Rebecca Watts* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John William Watts* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Blanche Watts* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 18/6/1881

“To be sold by auction Tuesday June 21st 1881 All that very desirable Freehold Corner Property, situate at the junction of Lloyd Street and Seagar Street, West Bromwich, comprising that Old-Established Retail Beer House known by the sign of the CROWN AND CUSHION, having a frontage to each of the above mentioned streets, containing Entrance Hall, Tap Room, and Parlour fronting Lloyd Street, roomy Bar, large Kitchen, and Passage leading into and fronting Seagar Street, spacious Club Room, excellent Cellars, Brewhouse, and other conveniences.”

David Cornfield, beer retailer, 1, Seagar Street. [1888]

1891 Census

1, Seagar Street – CROWN AND CUSHION

- [1] *Samuel Lyons* (45), stone mason, born Rugeley;
- [2] *Sarah A. Lyons* (42), wife, born Penkridge, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Albert A. Lyons* (21), son, general labourer, born Rugeley;
- [4] *Jessie F. Hall* (22), general servant, born Wainfleet, Lincolnshire:

Samuel Lyons, beer retailer, Seagar Street. [1892], [1896]

See also PRINCE ALBERT, Smethwick.

William Coleman, beer retailer, Seagar Street. [1900], [1908]

1901 Census

8, Lloyd Street – CROWN AND CUSHION

- [1] *William Coleman* (50), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Coleman* (33), wife, born West Bromwich:

William Coleman, beer retailer, 8, Lloyd Street and Seagar Street. {1904}

1911 Census

8, Lloyd Street

- [1] Arthur Care (36), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Ellen Care (37), wife, married 15 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Sarah Ellen Care (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Ethell Care (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Olive Care (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Emma Willis (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Arthur Care, beer retailer, 8, Lloyd Street. [1912]

West Bromwich Weekly News 15/3/1913

“The question of a public improvement was involved in another application by Mr. J. S. Sharpe for a provisional order sanctioning the removal of a beerhouse license from the CROWN AND CUSHION, Lloyd Street, to premises about to be constructed in the same street. Mr. Sharpe explained that the CROWN AND CUSHION was an old and somewhat inconvenient house near the main entrance to Dartmouth Park. It was proposed to pull the premises down, as well as three cottages adjoining, and rebuild the licensed house on the site. This would not only improve the aspect of the district, but an important public improvement would be effected, as the owners, Messrs Holders, Ltd, were prepared to give to the town 170 square yards of land to widen the highway at that point. The magistrates granted the application, subject to the surrender of an off-license which the applicant undertook to do.”

The license was removed to new premises erected partly on the site of these premises and partly on land adjacent.

The Ordinary Removal was granted on 13th March 1913, and confirmed on 1st May 1913.

Final Order issued on 2nd July 1914.

Stanley Davies played centre forward for West Bromwich Albion, Birmingham City and Everton, and Wales. He was nicknamed 'Mr. Versatility'.
He died in 1972.

F. Elbro was married to Ivy Selina.
He died in 1961.

Peter McMahon (tenant) suddenly sold up and left with his wife, Maureen and daughter, Orla, in August 1989.

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DARTMOUTH ARMS

2, Paradise Street / High Street, (New Road), (Dartmouth Square), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Charles Willis, The Elms, Moseley near Birmingham
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Beeson [1841] – [1842]
William Lowe Shinton [1845] – [1851]
Joseph Sheldon [1851]
Henry Sanderson [1855] – [1865]
Edward Hale [1868] – **1871**;
Thomas Woolley (**1871** – [1875]
John Gale [1881] – [1889]
Christopher Clark [] – **1890**;
Mrs. Sarah Ann Clark (**1890** – **1893**);
Uriah Evans (**1893** – **1895**);
William Charles Cashmore (**1895** -**1896**);
Joseph Gatti (**1896** – **1902**);
Samuel Richard Massey Brown (**1902**);
Harry Goulthorpe (**1902** – **1905**);
Richard Albert Knowles (**1905** – **1906**);
William Isaiah Bassett (**1906** – **1920**)
Harry Clements (**1920** – **1939**)
Frederick William Ingram (**1939** – **1945**);
Wilfred Charles Bott (**1945** – **1952**);
Walter Charles Sharman (**1952** – **1956**);
Jack Richard Andrews (**1956** – [1960's]

NOTES

It was built on the site of the original BULLS HEAD in 1834.

DARTMOUTH HOTEL [1841], [1842], [1850], [1860], [1861], [1865], [1868], [1881], [1889], [1891], [1892], [1901], [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]

Family and Commercial Hotel [1872]
Commercial and posting house [1845], [1855], [1858]
Posting house [1849], [1860]
Posting house and Inland Revenue Office [1873], [1877]
Commercial and Family hotel and posting house [1896]

The Petty Sessions were held here from 1834 until 1851.

Coaches ran from here. [1845]

William Lowe Shinton was also a wine and spirit merchant. [1845], [1849]

1851 Census

Paradise St – DARTMOUTH HOTEL

- [1] *William Shinton* (45), innkeeper, born Astley, Stourport;
- [2] *Mary Holford* (69), mother, widow, housekeeper, born Witley, Worcestershire;
- [3] *Elizabeth Davis* (65), aunt, widow, farmer's wife, born Witley, Worcestershire;
- [4] *John Lowe* (60), uncle, farmer, born Witley, Worcestershire;
- [5] *Mary Ann Lowe* (49), aunt, farmer's wife, born Nun Solars, Shropshire;
- [6] *Mary Lowe* (18), cousin, born Astley, Stourport;
- [7] *Sarah Webb* (30), barmaid, born Stanford, Worcestershire;
- [8] *Sarah Brown* (25), waiter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Maria Ackwood* (20), cook, born Wednesbury;
- [10] *Ann Thome* (19), housemaid, born Wellington, Shropshire;
- [11] *William Roads* (32), boots, born Ombersley, Worcestershire;
- [12] *Thomas Green* (23), ostler, born Henley in Harden, Warwickshire;
- [13] *Peter Levesyne* (34), visitor, commercial traveller (in wine and spirit trade), born London;
- [14] *Thomas Paund* (25), visitor, draper, born Tenbury, Worcestershire;
- [15] *James Hopkins* (49), visitor, woolen draper, born Scropton, Derbyshire;

Henry Sanderson was also a wine and spirit merchant. [1860]

1861 Census

Paradise Street

- [1] *Henry Sanderson* (52), innkeeper, born Coventry;
- [2] *Ann Sanderson* (50), wife, born Upton Bishop, Herefordshire;
- [3] *Ellen Sanderson* (10), daughter, born Abergavenny, Monmouthshire;
- [4] *Maria Rutherford* (23), barmaid, born Lynn, Norfolkshire;
- [5] *Mary Mallawes* (27), chambermaid, born Manchester;

Stourbridge Observer 26/3/1864

“On Wednesday, Mr. Hooper, Coroner for South Staffordshire, resumed the enquiry at the DARTMOUTH ARMS, West Bromwich, touching the death of the men killed at the works of Mr. T. Johnson, jun, at Hall End, on the 1st inst.

Joel Cashmore, a miner in the employ of Mr. Whitehouse, Hill Top, stated that he once worked under Mr. Johnson for eighteen months, and had the management of some boilers. All the time I was engaged, the boiler which has since burst, was in very bad order. The bottom plates were thin. When I went to work in the morning I was obliged to carry water out of the slack-hole in consequence of a leakage in one of the boilers, before I could commence to fire. I left because I considered the boilers unsafe.

Richard Woodhall, a puddler, working at the Hall End Works, said: I have been in Mr. Johnson's employ for sixteen or seventeen years, and know the exploded boiler. I have always considered it safe. I know nothing of the cause of the explosion.

David Turbey, of Hateley Heath, boiler maker, said: I saw this boiler the Sunday before the accident, examined the flues and boiler generally, and considered everything connected with it to be sound. I cannot say what was the cause of the explosion. It was very thin but in my mind sufficiently thick to bear a pressure of 27lbs to the inch.

William Bagnall, the engineer, was called and cautioned by Mr. Jackson. He said: I have been in the employ of Mr. T. Johnson, as engineer for twelve years. On the 29th of February I went to take the night turn and when I arrived at about half past nine, I found my brother in charge of the engine. We cavilled together about the men having been stopped. Before he went home he stepped on the plates. I worked the engine till the men had done between 11 and 12 o'clock. I then filled the boiler, raked the fire, put the dampers down, and lay myself down on the Forge until between three and four in the morning of the 1st of March, when I got up and stirred the fires. At half past I started the engine. Everything went on all right all day. The explosion took place about half past 2 in the afternoon. I have never since 1861 considered it safe to work the engine, but I have worked it to the risk of my own and many other lives because I was obliged to. I have told the partners about it many times. The weak points were where the boiler exploded from. My opinion is that the boiler burst in consequence of the thinness of the plates, and the water getting into the cinder of the flues connected with the furnaces.

Mr. E. B. Marten, civil engineer, residing at Stourbridge, said: I have in compliance with your instructions, inspected the boiler at the Hall End Works. I found that there had been long-continued leaking of the seams, and the water in flowing down had eaten a channel near to the line of rivets nearly through the plate. The leaking of the seams was most likely set up by the boiler being at some time over heated, or from the common but very bad practice of emptying the boiler for cleaning before the furnaces are properly cooled. The tippet plate was very much corroded by the leaking from above, and perhaps also from the joints of the blow-pipe, and the corrosive action was hastened by the water being held against the plate by the brick setting. There are other places in the shell besides those torn asunder where the plates are channelled by corrosion from continuous leaking. This corrosion must have existed for some time, as there had been a patch on the inside put on since the plates have been thinned. The cause of the explosion was, without doubt, that the extensive corrosion had rendered the boiler too weak to bear the pressure to which it was exposed. It must have worked in a very dangerous state for some time past, and the finishing strain may have been given by some slight increase of pressure just at the time, which is now quite impossible to prove, but it is needless to suppose that the pressure was much more than usual to account for the explosion. I would remark that there was nothing inside the boiler to indicate dangerous corrosion, but a proper inspection of the outside of the shell, as seen in the flues, would have revealed it to any one accustomed to the inspection of boilers, as some of the most faulty places were not concealed by the brickwork. Of course the corrosion which is so easily seen and measured from the fractured edge would not be so clearly discerned in the unbroken plate in the dark flue when daylight is quite excluded; and even when such faults are seen the extent of the damage is half appreciated by the ordinary class of engine tenters, who can with difficulty be persuaded that there is danger unless there is visible leaking.

After hearing the evidence of several other witnesses, the Coroner said that as this was a case requiring the most serious consideration that can be given it, he should therefore adjourn the inquiry till Thursday evening at six o'clock.

The enquiry lasted over ten hours.”

1871 Census

Paradise Street – DARTMOUTH HOTEL

- [1] *Thomas Woolley* (27), hotel keeper, born Kings Bromley, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Woolley* (38), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Anne Elizabeth Woolley* (15), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Kate Woolley* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Robert Woolley* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ada Sarah Woolley* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Charles A. Woolley* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Jane Perry* (22), barmaid, born Smethwick;
- [9] *Emily E. Booke* (30), waitress, born Kidderminster;
- [10] *Teresa Hanley* (25), cook, born Wednesbury;
- [11] *Martha J. Lawrence* (21), nurse, born Cromford, Derbyshire;
- [12] *John Roper* (32), boots, born Birmingham;
- [13] *Thomas Bailey* (23), nephew, soldier, sergeant 15th Foot, born France (British Subject):

Midland Counties Evening Express 11/11/1874

“West Bromwich Licensed Victuallers’ Association – The annual dinner and public meeting of the association was held yesterday evening at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, West Bromwich.....”

Midland Counties Evening Express 12/5/1875

“At Wednesbury Police Court, yesterday Mr. *Thomas Woolley*, landlord of the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, West Bromwich, appeared to a summons charging him with having assaulted Wm. Whitcroft, one of the county police, while in the execution of his duty. Under cross-summonses, the constable was charged with being drunk and disorderly in the street and assaulting Mr. *Woolley* The summons had been taken out by the officer on the instructions of the chief constable, the complainant being meanwhile suspended.- The complainant’s statement was to the effect that at about twenty five minutes past one o’clock on the morning of the 24th March he went to meet his sergeant by the DARTMOUTH HOTEL. Being too early for the appointment, and being tired, he sat down on the liquor vaults step. Soon afterwards, the defendant and the ostler opened the yard gate, and let out a carriage, and the defendant came towards him and said, ‘What the devil are you doing there?’ Seeing that the defendant was under

the influence of drink, he said it was no business of his, *but* on the defendant saying, 'I am Mr. *Woolley*, the landlord of the DARTMOUTH HOTEL.', he said he was waiting for his sergeant. Defendant replied, 'I will give you waiting for the sergeant,' and gave him a 'clout' on the eye. He then told the defendant that he would lock him up, and seized him by the arm. They struggled together, the defendant trying to get inside the gateway, and fell; but they got up again, and defendant struck him upon the shoulder and back. After that they struggled again, and again fell, complainant's leg being broken in the fall a little above the ankle. Upon that he let defendant go, but went to the front door, and asked to see him, and, being unsuccessful, he took a cab, and went to the hospital, where he remained as an in-patient three weeks. Before joining the police force he was, for nearly twelve years, in the 5th Lancers, and left with a good character.- In cross-examination by Mr. Young [defence], he admitted that since he joined the force in November last, he had been twice fined by his superior for drunkenness, and had been reported for being found concealed in the pantry of a brothel. He had been to see the defendant since he left the hospital, but it was by the defendant's request. It was not true that he had gone for money, and that defendant on one occasion gave him a sovereign. He did sign the paper produced, promising not to take any proceedings in consideration of the summonses first taken out against him by the defendant being withdrawn. That was done at the request of Mr. Instone, Mr. Jackson's clerk. He did go to the police station on Saturday night the worse for liquor.- Mr. Young said the public must feel grateful to the Chief Constable for having caused this matter to be fully enquired into. The real facts of the case were that on this particular night Mr. *Woolley* and the boots had remained up to hand over the horse and carriage of Mr. Jackson, who had been away from home, and as they were retiring into the yard the boots drew the attention of the defendant to the complainant, who was sitting upon the steps apparently asleep. The defendant arouse him, and he got up, staggered about, asked who Mr. *Woolley* was, and on being told called him a liar, and seized him, at the same time threatening to lock him up. They struggled together, but on Mrs. *Woolley*, with the view of frightening the complainant, calling out that there was a policeman inside, he ran away, thus showing that his leg could not have been broken then; but in about half an hour he returned with another drunken man.- The Stipendiary [I. Spooner Esq.] intimated that he did not require further evidence. He could not trust the complainant in the least, and therefore, without reference to whether Mr. *Woolley* was the cause of the breaking of the leg, the case must be dismissed. It was just as possible that the leg was broken elsewhere as there; but if he was injured there he brought it upon himself.- The summons was then dismissed. The cross summonses were not gone into."

West Bromwich Weekly News 22/5/1875

"The Spon Lane Colliery Company.- The statutory meeting of the shareholders of this company was held on Tuesday at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, West Bromwich, for the purpose of receiving the report....."

Midland Advertiser 30/3/1878

"An inquest was held by Mr. Hooper, at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, on Wednesday, on the body of Isaac Hill (71), coach smith, of High Street. The deceased, who had been ailing for some time, while returning home on Saturday evening, fell down and slightly injured himself. He shortly afterwards went to bed, and the next morning he was heard to get up for the purpose of dressing himself. About half an hour afterwards his son went upstairs, and found the deceased lying across the bed dying. Medical aid was sent for, but, on the arrival of Mr. Pickering, the man was found to be dead.

After a brief consultation, the jury returned a verdict to the effect that deceased Died from Natural Causes."

Wednesbury Herald 8/5/1880

"A billiard match was played at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, West Bromwich, on Saturday night, between Mr. H. Roberts, champion handstroke playe, and a local amateur....."

Wednesbury Herald 7/8/1880

The adjourned enquiry into the dire circumstances of the explosion which occurred at the Black Lake Colliery, West Bromwich, on the 7th June last, by which one man, Thomas Foster (Darlaston) was killed and six others, including the manager of the pit (Mr. E. Cooksey), were injured, was held at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL on Tuesday, before Mr. Edwin Hooper, the South Staffordshire Coroner. Mr. Baker, Government inspector of mines, and Mr. Scott, his assistant, were present. Mr. Hooper, from the offices of Messrs. Stokes and Harper, Dudley, watched the case on behalf of the relatives of the deceased and also for the Local Miners' Association. Mr. E. Caddick appeared on behalf of the owners of the colliery (the Black Lake Colliery Company) and Mr. Cooksey, the manager. Mr. Griffiths (miners' agent) was also present.

James Stephens, miner, Harvills Hawthorn, West Bromwich, the first witness called, said he was in the pit in question when the explosion occurred, working a headway in a road direct from the shaft, and about seventy yards away. The deceased was working with witness. He tried the pit with his lamp before commencing work, and found no gas. A 'blow george' had been put down for the safety of the men, and this was turned on every morning. On the morning of the day of the explosion the deputy overseer, Mr. Oldbury, set the men to work, and they went on till half past one o'clock, when his lamp went out. The deceased man Foster handed witness a Davy lamp to light him along the workings of the shaft, and he went up to the surface and obtained another lamp. The lamp he had from Foster was locked. He returned to the workings, and gave it back to Foster, whom he set to work. Shortly afterwards Foster said he had to take back Oldbury's lamp, with which he was working. It was a Davy lamp. He did this and immediately afterwards witness felt the air turn, and exclaimed, 'O good Lord, the sulphur has fired.'

By Mr. Baker: He heard no report.

By the Coroner: His explanation when he felt the air turn was made to himself. It was generally known that there was sulphur in that part of the mine. The explosion happened at two o'clock. Two hours before, the manager, Mr. Cooksey, was down, and asked witness if he had seen any sulphur where he was working, and he replied that he had not. He saw no smoking in the pit by any of the men.

By Mr. Baker: When the sulphur made its appearance he ran towards the shaft, and then met the others who had been working in the pit. They were all in darkness, and some exclaimed that they were burnt. He had never heard the men refuse to work in the pit on account of the gas.

By Mr. Hooper: Some men were 'at play' that day, but witness was not aware that it was because of the existence of gas.

Another miner, named Edward Cadman, said he saw Mr. Cooksey and Mr. Oldbury in the pit. He called at the station and the people in charge said the portion of the pit to which he was going was unsafe – that there was gas, and a stopping would have to be put in the crossroads to turn the air. The stopping was put in at about half past one o'clock. When it was nearly finished Mr. Cooksey went to Mr. Oldbury, the deputy overseer, and asked if the work had been done.

By Mr. Baker: At that time the air was reversed.

By the Coroner: Oldbury and witness and a man named Dudley went up to the shaft, and were supplied with tools at Mr. Cooksey's direction. They then went into the fan-drift and turned the air. He and his companions with Mr. Cooksey got on to the cages and descended some distance down the pit, and when they reached the arch in connection with the fan-drift Mr. Cooksey tried the air, and then went on to the bottom. Witness had heard that the lamps were discovered unscrewed.

By Mr. Baker: He had heard of Foster striking matches on the lamp gauze to light his pipe. That was a fortnight before the explosion, during the night shift. Witness told Foster he should inform the manager, if the circumstances occurred again. He did not tell the manager then, because Foster might have had three months imprisonment for the act.

The Coroner advised the witness always to report such acts in future, as he might thus save his own life and that of others.

George Wheeler, surveyor of the colliery, said he went down the pit two hours after the explosion in company with the engineer, Edwards; and upon going up the first right-hand road found two clanny lamps. Going further round he found five others, four of which were clanny lamps, the other being a Davy lamp. One clanny lamp was detached from the oil can. The Davy lamp was likewise detached. [The lamps in question were here produced.]

Mr. Baker said this was a very important part of the inquiry. He was bound to tell the Coroner that this was not the first time the matter of the unscrewing of the lamps had been before him (Mr. Baker).

The lamps were then put together with some difficulty, and the Coroner said he thought they should be examined by a competent man. He was of opinion that they should spare no pains to find out the cause of the explosion.

Mr. Baker agreed with the suggestion, and thought in case any defect was discovered they should endeavour to ascertain the cause of the defect. He never was in such a fix in his life with regard to an explosion. The evidence before the Court already was one of the most extraordinary character.

After some discussion with regard to the lamps produced, Mr. Baker, referring to the two lamps found open, said that inasmuch as those two safety lamps opened, and the lights consequently naked, were discovered at the spot where the explosion occurred, it was patent to him, and must be so to the jury, that they had something to do with the explosion, and therefore they should undergo some test. The enquiry was further adjourned."

1881 Census

2, Paradise Street – DARTMOUTH HOTEL

- [1] *John Gale* (51), hotel manager, born Trowbridge;
- [2] *Clara Gale* (44), wife, born London;
- [3] *William Cooper* (40), barman, born Kempsey, Worcestershire;
- [4] *Abraham Bailey* (16), assistant barman, born Wednesbury;
- [5] *John Leek* (21), boots, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Belinda Jones* (19), waiter, born Smethwick;
- [7] *Martha Jane Poole* (15), housemaid, born Tuckhill, Staffordshire;
- [8] *Elizabeth Reader* (21), barmaid, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 20/8/1881

“An inquest was held on Thursday, at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, before Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, touching the death of *Beatrice Ann Heeley*, whose parents reside at No.15, Bull Street. It appears deceased was taken ill on Saturday, and died on Monday.

A verdict of Death from Natural Causes was returned.”

Smethwick Telephone 4/7/1885

“Crimea and Waterloo Heroes. On Wednesday evening a meeting of gentlemen interested in these celebrated campaigns was held at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL for the purpose of inaugurating a movement to provide an annual dinner for the heroes agreed.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 29/2/1887

“*William Gorton* (68), of New Street, Hill Top, was charged with obtaining 3s by false pretences on the 24th October last. It appears prisoner has been for some time in the Hospital, where he underwent an operation, and on being discharged the police lost sight of him.

Seymour Mole, prosecutor, stated that he was an undertaker in Spon Lane, and on the date in question, defendant went into the FLOWER POT INN, where he [prosecutor] was and represented himself as being the landlord of the BROWN LION INN, at Oldbury, and asked him to accompany him to Oldbury to measure his mother for a coffin, adding that his trap was standing outside the DARTMOUTH HOTEL. He then asked the loan of 3s until he got to Oldbury, when he would repay him, and left the house saying he would be back in three quarters of an hour. A few minutes afterwards he went to the DARTMOUTH, and found that there was no trap there at all, and the person failing to turn up he communicated with Superintendent Whitehurst. Prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to three months’ hard labour.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/7/1887

“The annual dinner in connection with Court ‘Shakespeare’, Ancient Order of Forresters, was held on Wednesday evening in the Club Room, at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, an excellent repast being served by the host, Mr. *Gale*. After dinner Bro. Councillor Heelis occupied the chair, and Bro. Cotterill (district secretary) the vice-chair.....”

Smethwick Telephone 22/9/1888

“On Wednesday the annual dinner of Court Shakespeare, Ancient Order of Foresters was held at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL.....”

Christopher Clark was fined 20s and costs, on 5th August 1900, for supplying a constable whilst on duty.

1891 Census

Paradise Street – DARTMOUTH HOTEL

- [1] Sarah A. Clark (40), widow, hotel manageress, born Manchester;
- [2] Louisa H. Foxcroft (28), sister in law, widow, barmaid, born Liverpool;
- [3] Henry J. Foxcroft (4), nephew, born Hull;
- [4] Frederick C. Foxcroft (3), nephew, born Hull;
- [5] Dorothy E. Foxcroft (2), niece, born Hull;
- [6] Emily C. Lewis (49), niece, nurse, born Liverpool;
- [7] Albert Hunt (30), boarder, clerk, born Park Gate, Yorkshire;
- [8] Ann Noakes (70), cook, born Bridgnorth;
- [9] Annie Lowe (20), waitress, born Gnossall, Staffordshire;
- [10] Hesther Willetts (18), housemaid, born Nether-ton;
- [11] Emily Corton (21), barmaid, born Derby;
- [12] Richard Bishops (25), barman, born Birmingham;
- [13] Mary C. Walker (22), barmaid, born Birmingham;
- [14] William Nille (25), boots, born Torquay, Devonshire:

Smethwick Telephone 26/9/1891

“On Wednesday night the anniversary dinner of Court Shakespeare, Ancient Order of Foresters was held at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL.....”

William Charles Cahmore was fined £1 and costs, on 14th January 1895, for permitting drunkenness. He was fined 10s and costs, on 17th August 1895, for the same offence.

West Bromwich Weekly News 3/2/1900

“West Bromwich Unity Cycling Club.- The 9th annual dinner in connection with the above club took place at the headquarters, the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, on Wednesday night, and was in every way a big success.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 2/6/1900

“On Wednesday night the members of Chance’s Football Club, Spon Lane, West Bromwich, were entertained at dinner at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, in honour of their winning the West Bromwich Works Charity Cup. Mr. Henry Tabot presided.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 18/8/1900

“Ancient Order of Druids – On Wednesday afternoon a very pleasant outing took place, in connection with ‘Earl Dartmouth’ Lodge, A.O.D. the locale being Stonebridge. About forty members were conveyed in charabancs from the Lodge room, DARTMOUTH HOTEL, the destination being reached at about 4 o’clock after a delightful drive. A substantial tea was partaken of at the Stonebridge Hotel after which the party rambled about the beautiful gardens adjoining, some of them participating in a game of bowls and other out-door amusements. The return journey commenced about 7 o’clock, the DARTMOUTH HOTEL being reached shortly before 10pm.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 15/12/1900

“West Bromwich Wednesday Athletic Association. In connection with the above, a well attended and highly successful dinner and smoking concert took place at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL on Wednesday night. Mr. J. Jones (president) was in the chair.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 23/2/1901

“West Bromwich Unity Cycling Club. The tenth annual dinner in connection with the above club was held at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL on Wednesday evening. Mr. Jerry Jones (vice president) presided, and the vice chair was filled by Mr. T. Price.....”

1901 Census

2, Paradise Street – DARTMOUTH HOTEL

- [1] *Joseph Gatti* (47), hotel manager, born Switzerland (Foreign Subject);
- [2] Clara Gatti (42), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] Victor Payne (11), nephew, born Birmingham;
- [4] Florence Orford (23), barmaid, born Liverpool;
- [5] Frank Price (21), barman, born Birmingham;
- [6] Marian Rollason (21), cook, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Sarah Roberts (19), domestic servant, born Llangollen, Denbighshire;
- [8] Benjamin Knight (23), boots, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 18/5/1901

“The second dinner in connection with Earl Dartmouth Lodge of the Ancient Order of Druids took place on Tuesday evening at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, High Street, and was in every way a big success. There was a large attendance of brethren, and a capital programme of music was gone through, the contributors including Bros. Archie Martin, S. Coleman, and J. Jones.”

Smethwick Weekly News 18/1/1902

“On Saturday Mr. James Clark (Borough Coroner) held an inquest at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, High Street, concerning the death of Jane Ann Emery (45), formerly residing in Thomas Street, who died suddenly on the 10th inst.

According to the evidence, the woman had been ill for the last four months, she having been subject to giddiness, but during this time she had not received proper medical treatment, it being stated that deceased had a great aversion to doctors. Deceased gradually became weaker, and expired on the 9th inst, after she had been seen by Dr. Lawson. Death was attributed to heart disease.

The jury returned a verdict of Death from Natural Causes, and added an expression of opinion that the woman’s death was in some measure brought about by overwork and self neglect.”

Smethwick Weekly News 8/2/1902

“Ancient Order of Druids, Lodge No. 537, (Earl of Dartmouth). The most interesting, as well as the most successful meeting of the brethren of the above lodge, was held on Tuesday, at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, West Bromwich, they having held their New Year’s dinner provided by the host Bro. *Gatti*.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 22/2/1902

“West Bromwich Victoria Cricket Club Annual Dinner. The 13th annual dinner in connection with the above club took place on Friday night at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, West Bromwich, and was attended with considerable success.....”

Joseph Gatti – see also SANDWELL.

Court ‘Shakespeare’ (A.O.F.) met here. [1903]

Wednesbury Leader 19/10/1906

“A complimentary concert was given at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL last week to assist Mr. Fred Wainwright, who was formerly in the employ of Messrs. Edward Danks and Co, Oldbury, and who is suffering from consumption. The proceeds were to enable him to receive treatment at the Ventnor Hospital, Isle of Wight, to which place he had been ordered by his medical adviser, Dr. S. D. Gill.

The chair was occupied by by Mr. Enoch Wood, JP, who was supported by Councillors Joseph Lawley and Joseph Holland, and others.....”

Wednesbury Leader 16/11/1906

“The fourth annual dinner in connection with the Dartmouth Park Bowling Club took place at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, on Wednesday evening. The President of the Club (Mr. T. H. Bates) presided.....”

Wednesbury Leader 28/12/1906

“On Friday afternoon Mr. James Clark (Coroner) held an inquest at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, West Bromwich, concerning the death of Samuel Henry Russell (2), whose parents reside in Scotland Passage, West Bromwich, who died on the 20th inst, after being burnt on the 11th of November.

Alice Russell, mother, said on the 10th of November she left deceased and another child in the house whilst she went up the yard, and when she got back she found him on fire. There was a fire guard in the house. The child was burnt at five o'clock, but they did not get him to the Hospital until 6.30. In the meantime they took the child to a chemist's and also to Dr. Lawson's surgery.

The Coroner: And you were hawking this child about for an hour and a half before you took it to the Hospital?

Witness (continuing) said when they got to the Hospital the child was not detained. She kept on taking the child to the Hospital until the following Wednesday, when he was treated as an in-patient, and he remained there a little over two weeks. Then she received a postcard from the Hospital, asking her to take the child out. Witness kept on taking the child backwards and forwards to the Hospital until Saturday last, when he became so ill that a nurse had to attend and dress him at home. When the nurse came on the Sunday she said the child ought not to have been sent out of the Hospital. Witness discovered that a lot of paper in a cupboard had been burnt. Dr. Lawson attended deceased until he died at 5 o'clock on Thursday morning. Deceased always suffered with his head.

Rebecca Smart, a neighbour, deposed to hearing screams and to extinguishing the child's clothes. Witness also took the child to the chemist's, to Dr. Lawson's, and afterwards to the Hospital. Witness noticed some burnt paper on the hearth where the deceased had been playing.

Dr. Lawson said the child was brought to his surgery on the 10th of November, and he advised that it should be taken to the Hospital. On the 17th inst, witness was again called in to attend the child. He found him suffering from the effects of bronchitis. There was also partial paralysis of the limbs, as the result of brain trouble. The cause of death was convulsions due to brain mischief and accelerated by bronchitis. The burns only indirectly had anything to do with the child's death. Witness did not think the bronchitis was the result of the delay in taking the child to the Hospital.

Replying to the Coroner, witness thought it would have been better had the child been detained in the Hospital instead of being taken backwards and forwards in the cold weather.

The Coroner said it appeared to him the child ought to have been kept at the Hospital and not been taken to and fro. Dr. Lawson added that in all cases of burns, children ought not to be exposed.

The House Surgeon at the District Hospital – Dr. Neil – said the child was brought to the Institution on the 10th inst about 6.25. Witness saw the child, who was suffering from burns about the right hand and the arm, and they may have extended to the chest. Witness did not think the burns were sufficiently serious to detain the child and the children's ward was also very full at the time.

Questioned by the Coroner: Witness honestly thought that the burns were not of such a character to warrant him in detaining the child.

The Jury returned a verdict of Death from Natural Causes.”

William Isaiah 'Billy' Bassett was born in 1869, in West Bromwich, the son of Charles and Rebecca.

He married Beatrice Birch on 24th June 1900.

He played football for West Bromwich Albion (1886 – 1899), and England (16 caps).

He later became chairman of the club.

Chronicle for West Bromwich and Oldbury 4/3/1910

“The eighth annual dinner in connection with West Bromwich Tradesmen's Association, was held on Wednesday evening at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL. His Worship the Mayor (Councillor J. Brockhouse, JP), president of the association occupied the chair

1911 Census

2, Paradise Street – DARTMOUTH HOTEL

- [1] *William Isaiah Bassett* (42), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Beatrice Bassett* (37), wife, married 10 years, born Tamworth;
- [3] *Norman William Bassett* (9), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Beatrice Marriott Bassett* (6), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Doreen Bassett* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Edith Emma Birch* (31), cousin, assisting in the business, born Edgbaston;
- [7] *George Wesley Coster* (30), boarder, golf professional, born Appledore, Devon;
- [8] *Edith Crimp* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Elizabeth Jukes* (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Emily Cope* (25), domestic servant, born Tipton;
- [11] *Abraham Thomas Turley* (21), barman, born West Bromwich;
- [12] *Harry Keys* (20), barman, born West Bromwich:

Midland Advertiser 18/1/1930

“In connection with the West Bromwich Branch of the Hearts of Oak Benefit Society, a well-attended smoking concert was held on Monday evening at the DARTMOUTH HOTEL. Mr. Charles Scott presiding.....”

William Isaiah Bassett died in April 1937.

See also ANCHOR and GLOBE.

On 2nd April 1908 the Licensing Justices consented to the provision of an additional door to the large smoke room, subject to an undertaking from the licensee that the large gates communicating with Spon Lane and backing into the yard of the hotel should be closed except when required to be open for the unloading of goods, domestic purposes, for stabling of horses and storage of conveyances.

Harry Clements played football for West Bromwich Albion.

He died in 1939.

Tipton Herald 17/7/1948

“West Bromwich Rabbit Club held its annual young stock show in the DARTMOUTH HOTEL, Dartmouth Square, West Bromwich, and exhibits came from all over the country. The total entries were 294, this being a record for the club.....”

The West Side Jazz Club was based here.

It closed in February 1977.

Demolished

DOG AND DUCK

54, (58), Braybrook Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Representatives of Joseph Dicken c/o Mr. Martin, agent, High Street, West Bromwich
John Dean, Great Bridge
Mrs. Naomi Dean, 27 King Street, West Bromwich
J. W. J. Kingstone Ltd.
James Stanton [1922]
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1938]

LICENSEES

Charles Darby [1864] - **1881**);
James Russell (**1881 - 1895**);
Isaac Richards (**1895 - 1896**);
Mrs. Agnes Bracknell [1896] ?
Joseph Shutt (**1896 - 1897**);
George Evans (**1897 - 1899**);
Mrs. Florence Evans (**1899 - 1900**);
George Mansell (**1900 - 1901**);
Hubert Richard Twist (**1901 - 1902**);
Job Hawkes (**1902 - 1903**);
Walter Arch (**1903 - 1904**);
Walter Griffiths (**1904 - 1905**);
Thomas Aspley (**1905 - 1906**);
James Stanton (**1906 - 1930**);
Sidney Joseph Twist (**1930 - 1931**);
Alfred Blakemore (**1931 - 1935**);
Joseph Arthur Rushton (**1935 - 1938**);
Harold Bownse(?) (**1938 - 1942**);
James William Stevens (**1942 - 1946**);
John Male (**1946 - 1954**);
Harry William Hadley (**1954 - 1957**);
Albert McLuckie (**1957**);
Raymond Frederick Seeney (**1957 - 1958**);
Derek Hudson (**1958 - 1959**);
Alan John Capstick (**1959 - 1960**);
Denis Brett (**1960**);
Kevin Jameson (**1960 - []**)

NOTES

58, Braybrook Street [1891]
54. Braybrook Street [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

Charles Darby was the father of the brewer, *George Darby*.
He was described as a beer retailer of Braybrook Street. [1864], [1868], [1872]

Dudley Herald 10/9/1870

“*Charles Darby*, beerhouse keeper, Braybrook Street, fined 20s and costs for serving intoxicating liquor during prohibited hours.....”

James Russell, beer retailer, 58, Braybrook Street. [1888], [1889], [1892]

1891 Census

58, Braybrook Street – DOG ANS DUCK

- [1] *James Russell* (40), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Clementina Russell* (38), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alice Russell* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edith Russell* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *James Russell* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Stephen Russell* (9 months), son, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Agnes Bracknell, beer retailer, 58, Braybrook Street. [1896]

Joseph Shutt was fined £2 and costs, on 3rd December 1896, for permitting drunkenness.

George Evans, beer retailer, 58, Braybrook Street. [1900]
He was married to *Florence*.
He died in 1899.

1901 Census

58, Braybrook Street

- [1] *George Mansell* (50), cabinet maker, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Louisa Mansell* (54), wife, born West Smethwick;
- [3] *George Mansell* (24), son, soldier on leave, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Edward Mansell* (21), son, cabinet maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Mansell* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Louisa Mansell* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 15/6/1901

“*George Mansell* (44), landlord of the DOG AND DUCK INN, Braybrook Street, West Bromwich, was summoned for keeping open his licensed premises during prohibited hours on the 29th May, and also for attempting to bribe the police.

Mr. J. S. Sharpe prosecuted.

PC Henrt Barrett deposed to seeing the defendant’s daughter, *Julia Mansell*, leave the inn at 12.40 on the morning of the date in question with a jug containing half a gallon of ale. She refused to say where she was going to take it and on witness speaking to the defendant about the matter, the latter, he alleged, offered him half a crown to say nothing about it.

Sergeant Wilson said he interviewed *Mansell* subsequently about the matter, when he admitted having attempted to bribe the officer, and explained that his daughter intended to take the beer to a house close by where a party was being held. He was vert sorry for what had happened.

For keeping his house open during prohibited hours defendant was fined 40s and costs, and for attempting to bribe the constable he was malsted in a further penalty of £3 and costs, in all £6 18s.”

It was described as a house of disorderly character in August 1901.

Walter Griffiths, beer retailer, 58, Braybrook Street. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 3/8/1906

“A very pleasant evening was spent at the house of the old Albion captain, Mr. *James Stanton*, at the DOG AND DUCK INN, Braybrook Street, by the officers and members of the Hearts of Oak Lodge of Free Gardeners, the chair being ably filled by Bro. S. Bolton, and the vice chair by Bro. G. S. Saunders, supported by Bro. Charles Egnall (district secretary).....”

James Stanton, beer retailer, 58, Braybrook Street. [1908]

Black Country Bugle

‘Family Ties With West Brom Player And Brewer’

“*Jim Stanton*, whom I believe played for West Bromwich Albion, but was unable to continue playing on account of being badly injured and was given a benefit match, the proceeds of which went towards the opening of the DOG AND DUCK public house, which was later turned into a brewery of the same name in Braybrook Street where Stanton’s Ales were brewed and sold. This event was probably some 80 years ago.....”

Blackcountryman (Spring 1975)

‘The Lyng In The Twenties’ by Lew Turner

“Another personality was *Jimmy Stanton* who kept the DOG AND DUCK It was a home brew pub and we used to fetch a pennyworth of balm from there to make home made pop. He used to deliver beer to his customers in a pony and float.”

1911 Census

54, Braybrook Street

[1] *James Stanton* (49), brewer, born Smethwick;

[2] Lucy Harriet Stanton (50), wife, married 26 years, born Walsall;

[3] Joseph James Stanton (25), son, brewer’s traveller, born Walsall:

James Stanton sold the brewery to Darby’s Brewery.
He died in 1932.

James Stanton – see also ROEBUCK.

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

It was subject to a Compulsory Purchase Order in July 1959.

Alan John Capstick – see also SOHO FOUNDRY TAVERN and CROWN, Smethwick.

Closed

DOG AND GATE

Old Meeting Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

[1911]

DOVECOTE

Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Peter Goddard **(1989 - [1992]**

Ming Li **(2007 - [2008]**

Xupen Gao [2009]

NOTES

It opened on 22nd April 1971.

It was originally known as the FLASH HARRY.

The license was transferred from the THREE CROWNS, Hill Top.

It was known as the HILLCREST from 1979 to 1991.

Closed

It reopened in October 1991, as the DOVECOTE.

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DUKE OF WELLINGTON

2, (19), Church Lane, Ridgacre, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Spittle, Carters Green
Ann Spittle, Penn, near Wolverhampton
North Worcestershire Breweries Ltd. [1898]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. (acquired in 1909)

LICENSEES

Richard Basnett [] - **1871**);
George Cartwright (**1871 - 1873**);
Benjamin Mann (**1873 - 1881**);
John Varlow (**1881 - 1886**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Varlow (**1886 - 1891**);
William Henry Carter (**1891 - 1892**);
William Henry Wilkes (**1892 - 1893**);
Thomas Longhurst (**1893 - 1899**);
William Hadley (**1899 - 1903**);
Frederick Lucas Smart (**1903 - 1904**);
Isaiah Collins (**1904 - 1910**):

NOTES

19, Church Lane
2, Church Lane

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

DUKE WELLINGTON

- [1] *George Cartwright* (56), publican, born Dudley;
- [2] *Lydia Cartwright* (53), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *Ezekiel Cartwright* (21), son, cinder burner, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] *John C. Cartwright* (19), son, cinder burner, born Wolverhampton;
- [5] *Hannah Cartwright* (25), daughter, dressmaker, born Wolverhampton;
- [6] *Ada Ralph* (4), granddaughter, scholar, born Walsall;
- [7] *Betsy Ralph* (5), granddaughter, scholar, born Walsall;
- [8] *Sarah J. Shirley* (14), servant, born West Bromwich:

George Cartwright, beer retailer, Church Lane. [1872]

1881 Census

Church Lane – DUKE OF WELLINGTON

- [1] *John Varlow* (44), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Varlow* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Carter* (23), son, shingler iron, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Anne Carter* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Carter* (16), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Silas Carter* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Elizabeth Varlow, beer retailer, 19, Church Lane. [1888]

Mrs. Elizabeth Varlow, beer retailer, 2, Church Lane. [1889]

William Henry Carter, beer retailer, 2, Church Lane. [1892]

Thomas Longhurst, beer retailer, 2, Church Lane. [1896]

William Headley = *William Hadley*

1901 Census

Church Lane – DUKE OF WELLINGTON

- [1] *William Hadley* (49), engine driver (forge), born Rowley;
- [2] *Eliza Hadley* (48), wife, born Rowley;
- [3] *Albert Hadley* (14), son, worker in rolling mill, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Emily Hadley* (22), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [5] *Alice Gibbs* (12), servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 31/8/1901

“*Thomas Hickman*, Chapel Street, Swan Village, was fined 11s (including costs) for being drunk, on 24th August, on the licensed premises of the DUKE OF WELLINGTON INN, Church Street, West Bromwich, kept by *William Hadley*.

PC J. Cartwright proved the case.”

Frederick Lucas Smart, beer retailer, Church Lane. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 9/11/1906

“*Isaiah Collins*, licensee of the DUKE OF WELLINGTON INN, Church Lane, was charged with assaulting *Benjamin Jones*, moulder, of Hargate Lane, on the 30th ult.

Mr. Waldron, Brierley Hill, defended.

Complainant stated that on the day in question he finished work and went to the public house, kept by the defendant. Complainant said his sister was there, and urged him (Complainant) to leave the house. In the subsequent argument defendant entered the room and interfered, and it was alleged that upon leaving the house that he struck complainant two blows in the face. As the result of the assault complainant had done no work for several days.

Complainant’s sister corroborated this statement, but for the defence Mr. Waldron gave a total denial of the charge, and said that on account of complainant’s conduct he had to be put out of the house. He further said that complainant tore the shirt off defendant’s back and also threatened him.

Evidence was called to this effect.

The Bench, however, thought that an offence had been committed. Councillor Turley remarking that it was in defendant’s power to remove anyone who was disorderly out of the house, but they thought defendant had gone too far on this occasion, and a fine of 10s and costs - £1 1s 6d in all, was imposed.”

Isaiah Collins, beer retailer, Church Lane. [1908]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1909.

The license renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 15th June 1909.

The license was extinguished on 22nd April 1910.

DUKE OF YORK

High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Angell, Overend Street, West Bromwich
Thomas Salter, High Street, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Edwin Blakemore [1870] – **1874**);
James Coxon (**1874 – 1876**);
Eliza Thorley (**1876 – 1877**);
Joseph Warwick (**1877 – 1878**);
John Aston (**1878**);
Moses Aston (**1878**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Edwin Blakemore = Edwin Blackmore

Edwin Blakemore, beer retailer, High Street. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

High Street – The DUKE OF YORK

- [1] *Edwin Blakemore* (50), publican, born Tonge, Shropshire;
- [2] Jane Blakemore (46), wife, born Codsall Wood;
- [3] Annie Blakemore (15), daughter, scholar, born Codsall Wood;
- [4] Julia Goodwin (21), niece, barmaid, born Shrewsbury:

James Coxon was fined £5, on 11th May 1874, for permitting drunkenness.

Dudley Herald 11/3/1876

James Coxon was fined £10 and costs for permitting drunkenness and his license was endorsed. [On 1st March] The pub was described as “a resort for bad characters.”

The license was abandoned in 1878.

DUN COW

173, (71), Sandwell Road, Cronehills, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

J. G. Donicourt, Bratt Street, West Bromwich
William Bunn, High Street, West Bromwich
Mrs. Chinn, Sandwell Road, West Bromwich
Ansells Ltd. [1899]
Thomas H. Bates, Sponwell Brewery, West Bromwich [1907], [1914]
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929], [1950's]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Harriet Knott [1871] – **1874**);
George Bradley (**1874 – 1878**);
Miss Maria Stevens (**1878 – 1887**);
Joseph Chinn (**1887 – 1898**)
Simeon Slater (**1898 – 1900**);
Arthur William Lawrence (**1900 – 1901**);
Thomas Southan (**1901**);
Cornelius Lucas (**1901 – 1910**);
George Wilkinson (**1910**)
William Coleman [] – **1913**);
Thomas Roberts (**1913 – 1923**);
Horace Mountford Gibbs (**1923 – 1924**);
Edith Sarah Gibbs (**1924 – 1930**);
John William Reeves (**1930 – 1939**);
Albert William Finney (**1939 – 1947**);
Leonard Tranter (**1947 – 1951**);
Herbert Standley (**1951 – 1955**);
John Leslie Whitehouse (**1955 – 1956**);
Thomas William Malpass (**1956 – 1958**);
John David McGann (**1958 – 1959**);
Paul Thomas O'Neill (**1959** – [1960])

NOTES

71, Sandwell Road [1881], [1889], [1901], [1904]
173, Sandwell Road [1908], [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Sandwell Road – DUN COW

- [1] *Harriet Knott* (42), widow, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] James Smith (16), lodger, cowman, born Hereford;
- [3] Priscilla Baylie (12), visitor, born Wolverhampton:

Mrs. *Harriet Knott*, beer retailer, Sandwell Road. [1872]

1881 Census

71, Sandwell Road

[1] *Maria Stevens* (40), unmarried, retail brewer, born Halesowen;

[2] *Eliza Hackett* (27), domestic servant, born Halesowen:

Joseph Chinn, beer retailer, 71, Sandwell Road. [1888], [1892], [1896]

Simeon Slater, beer retailer, 71, Sandwell Road. [1900]

1901 Census

71, Sandwell Road – DUN COW INN

[1] *Cornelius Lucas* (22), general filer, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Lily Lucas* (22), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Sarah Lilian Lucas* (2 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Hayward John Lucas* (66), father, mineral water boiler, born Warwickshire;

[5] *Sarah Jane Lucas* (51), mother, born Walsall;

[6] *Charles Lucas* (25), brother, whitesmith, born West Bromwich:

Cornelius Lucas, beer retailer, 71, Sandwell Road. [1904]

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

Cornelius Lucas, beer retailer, 173, Sandwell Road. [1908], [1912]

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Darts League. [1951]

Herbert Standley = Herbert Stanley

Herbert Standley married Beatrice Cowles.

See also RISING SUN, Tipton.

It closed on 28th May 1968.

Demolished

DUNKIRK

8, (2), Whitehall Road, (Oldbury Road), Greet's Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Reuben Farley Esq., New Street, West Bromwich
Charles Darby, Bush Inn, Wood Lane, West Bromwich (acquired 1900)
Darby's Brewery Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Norgrove [1860] - **1886**);
William Shepherd (**1886 - 1900**);
Leonard Bates (**1900 - 1909**);
George Hall (**1909 - 1914**);
George John Yates (**1914 - 1944**);
George Hadley (**1944 - 1948**);
Thomas 'Tom' Delham Knight (**1948 - 1953**);
Benjamin Chadwick (**1953 - 1954**);
Claude Sippits (**1954 - 1955**);
James Geoffrey Taylor (**1955 - 1957**);
John Jones (**1957 - 1959**);
Jack Jones (**1959 - 1961**);
Ernest Bevan (**1961 - []**)
Raymond Swinson [1968]
Michael Roberts [] - **1977**)

NOTES

2, Whitehall Road [1881], [1891], [1901]
8, Whitehall Road [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.

It was called the DUNKIRK HALL INN. [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

It was originally Dunkirk Hall (from 1660).
Part was converted into the pub.

William Norgrove = William Morgrove

William Norgrove was the first licensee and was also a dairy farmer.

William Norgrove, beer retailer, Greets Green. [1864]

William Norgrove, beer retailer, Oldbury Road. [1868], [1872]

1871 Census

Dunkirk Road – DUNKIRK INN

[1] *William Norgrove* (53), publican, born Folbrook, Oxfordshire;

[2] Sarah Norgrove (47), wife, born Wescott Barton, Oxfordshire:

William Norgrove was fined 40s and 13s 6d costs, on 1st May 1875, for suffering drunkenness.

1881 Census

2, Whitehall Road

[1] *William Norgrove* (65), publican, born Fullbrook, Oxfordshire;

[2] Sarah Norgrove (59), wife, born Barton, Oxfordshire;

[3] Annie Carter (25), domestic servant, born Blackheath:

William Shepherd = William Sheppard = William Sheppherd

William Shepherd (1841 – 1913) was a nephew of *William Norgrove*.

William Shepherd, beer retailer and blacksmith, 2, Whitehall Road. [1888], [1896], [1900]

1891 Census

2, Whitehall Road – DUNKIRK HALL

[1] *William Sheppherd* (49), shoeing blacksmith and publican, born Taynton, Oxfordshire;

[2] Eliza Sheppherd (46), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] Julia Sheppherd (22), daughter, domestic servant, born West Bromwich;

[4] Charles Sheppherd (19), son, assistant shoeing blacksmith, born West Bromwich;

[5] John E. Sheppherd (12), son, scholar, imbecile from childhood, born West Bromwich;

[6] Frederick Sheppherd (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[7] Gertrude Sheppherd (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[8] Frank Sheppherd (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[9] Sidney Sheppherd (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[10] Maude Sheppherd (9 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

2, Whitehall Road – DUNKIRK HALL INN

[1] *Leonard Bates* (36), engine fitter (brickworks), born West Bromwich;

[2] Phoebe Bates (35), wife, born Oldbury;

[3] George A. Bates (15), son, engine fitter (brickworks), born West Bromwich:

Charles Darby built a brewery next door to the house in 1902.

Leonard Bates, beer retailer, 8, Whitehall Road. [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

8, Whitehall Road

[1] *George Hall* (48), puddler, born Breden, Gloucestershire;

[2] Esther Hall (50), wife, married 22 years, born Quarry Bank;

[3] Esther Eugene Nock (15), niece, home duties, born West Bromwich;

[4] George Frederick Nock (9), nephew, school, born West Bromwich:

George Hall, beer retailer, 8, Whitehall Road. [1912]

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1948]

A publican's license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

It closed on 5th January 1977.

It was demolished in the 1970's.



c. 1912

EAGLE TAVERN

163, (73), Greet's Green Road, Greet's Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Beckett, Greet's Green
Manchester Brewery Co. Ltd.
Edward Birch, London and North Western Hotel, Wednesbury
Atkinsons Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Bebb* [1864] – [1871]
William Bebb* [1881] – **1885**;
Daniel Butler (**1885 – 1886**);
Enos Perrins (**1886**);
William Bebb (**1886 – 1894**);
Richard Glover (**1894 – 1896**);
Thomas Vincent (**1896 – 1899**);
Jesse Banks (**1899 – 1902**);
John Beasley (**1902 – 1904**);
George Henry Merrett (**1904** – [1908])
George Hadley [c. 1913]

NOTES

73, Greet's Green Road [1891]
163, Greet's Green Road [1901]

It stood to the left of the FOX AND GOOSE, separated by an alley.

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.

It became the EAGLE. [1871]

It was later called MANCHESTER HOUSE. [1891]

* probably the same person

1871 Census

Greet's Green Road – EAGLE TAP HOUSE

- [1] *William Bebb* (44), miner, born South Wales;
- [2] *Elizabeth Bebb* (44), wife, born Shropshire;
- [3] *Maryann Bebb* (21), daughter, general servant, born Shropshire;
- [4] *Elizabeth Bebb* (18), daughter, general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Harrriett Bebb* (16), daughter, general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Enoch Bebb* (14), son, minor, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Lucy Bebb* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Agnes Bebb* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Ada Bebb* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

71-73, Greets Green Road

- [1] *William Bebb* (54), miner (unemployed), born Welshpool;
- [2] *Elizabeth Bebb* (54), wife, born Broseley;
- [3] *Thomas Bebb* (2), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Affie Bebb* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ada Bebb* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

73, Greets Green Road – MANCHESTER HOUSE

- [1] *William Bebb* (63), widower, publican, born North Wales;
- [2] *Agnes Bebb* (26), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Thomas Birch* (12), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich:

William Bebb, beer retailer, 73, Greets Green Road. [1892]

Richard Glover, beer retailer, 73, Greets Green Road. [1896]

Thomas Vincent was fined £2 and costs, on 30th January 1896, for permitting drunkenness.

Jesse Banks, beer retailer, 73, Greet Green Road. [1900]

1901 Census

163, Greets Green Road

- [1] *Jesse Banks* (36), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lizzie Banks* (24), wife, born Walsall;
- [3] *Caroline Banks* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Eliza May Banks* (9 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Beckitt* (19), sister, barmaid, born West Bromwich:

John Beasley = John Beesley

John Beesley, beer retailer, 163, Greets Green Road. [1904]

George H. Merrett, beer retailer, 163, Greets Green Road. [1908]

It closed in 1915.

It became a general store.

EIGHT LOCKS

1, Ryders Green Road / Phoenix Street, Ryders Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Spencer, Dartmouth Street, West Bromwich
William Henry Morris
Atkinsons Ltd. [1898]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1959], [1986]
Enterprise Inns [1993]

LICENSEES

Joseph Gwilt* [1845] – [1855]
J Givitt* [1858]
Joseph Gwilt* [1860]
William Hale [1861] – [1873]
Emma Hale [1881]
William Thomas Hale [1884] – [1889]
Mrs. Leah Hale [1891] – **1893**;
William Henry Morris **(1893 – 1901)**;
Harry Braden **(1901)**;
Thomas Cottrill Wedgberrow **(1901 – 1902)**;
John 'Jack' Yorke **(1902 – 1914)**;
Frederick Ednam Chancellor **(1914 – 1926)**;
Edgar Harold Baker **(1926 – 1937)**;
John Tipping **(1937)**;
David Charles Woodings **(1937 – 1938)**;
George Woodings **(1938 – 1940)**;
Joseph Timmins **(1940 – 1949)**;
John Robinson **(1949 – 1954)**;
Archibald Lewis Sinclair **(1954 – 1955)**;
Henry Charles Gray **(1955 – 1958)**;
Arthur Webb **(1958 – 1959)**;
John Henry Davies **(1959 – [])**
William Austwick [1968]
Joan Gadman [1992]
Brona J Cargill [1993]
Pam Walker **(1994 – [1995])**
Paul Heath [1995] tenant
Dave Clarke [2012]

NOTES

It was situated next to the Walsall Canal.

Joseph Gwilt, beer retailer, Riders Green. [1845], [1850]

* possibly the same person



William Hale, beer retailer, Ryders Green Road. [1861]

An inquest held here in 1868.

1881 Census

1, Ryders Green Road – EIGHT LOCKS INN

[1] *Emma Hale* (50), widow, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Sarah Hale* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[3] *James Hale* (13), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Enoch Hale* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Eliza Stevens* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Ellen Parkes* (25), visitor, born Bradley, Staffordshire:

West Bromwich Weekly News 11/6/1881

“Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, held an inquest on Tuesday at the EIGHT LOCKS INN, Ryders Green, upon the body of *Samuel Marchant*, aged seven, who was drowned on Friday last.

Mary Jane Marchant said she was the wife of *Samuel Marchant*, boatman, living in Tasker Street. The deceased was seven years old. She last saw him alive on Friday afternoon about half past three, when he was at home. He left to go to his father’s boat at the Eight Locks. Witness’s brother came about four o’clock, and brought deceased’s hat, and asked her where he was, saying that the hat had been found in the water, and that he was not at home he was in the water. Her husband searched the canal, but failed to find him. The body was subsequently found by a man named *Woodfield*. She supposed that he fell into the canal accidentally.

William Fellows, a boy of 12 years of age said he saw the deceased playing on the ice-boat on Friday afternoon, near the Top Lock. He (witness) got into deceased’s father’s boat. Soon afterwards another boy found deceased’s hat in the water, and gave it to witness, and he took it to deceased’s father, who was standing on the towpath. His father saw deceased playing on the ice-boat. Witness told his father that he thought deceased had gone down home, but upon going to see he found he was not there.

John Woodfield deposed to finding the body.

The Jury found a verdict of Accidental Death.”

Smethwick Telephone 1/3/1884

“West Bromwich Police Court *Richard Stanford* (34), boatman, Charles Street, West Bromwich was summoned for being quarrelsome and disorderly at the EIGHT LOCKS INN and refused to quit the premises; also for committing wilful damage by breaking 4 drinking cups, the property of the landlord *William Thomas Hale* fined 10s and costs or 14 days.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 8/1/1887

“On Tuesday an inquest was held at the EIGHT LOCKS INN, Ryders Green, touching the death of *William Duffin*, aged 48, who lived on the canal side.

Mary Duffin, wife of the deceased, stated that her husband was lock keeper, and at six o’clock left the house on Friday morning to do his duty. He came back, woke her eldest boy and had his breakfast, afterwards taking the boy up to the gate. She heard shortly afterwards that someone was lost, and her husband was brought home dead, having fallen into the canal. She had known him fall into the water before.

W. Stokes stated that he was engaged filling a lock the same morning, when he heard someone shout, and missed deceased, when he at once raised an alarm. They began to search the canal, and his body was got out in about three quarters of an hour afterwards. Deceased had a stick, which was afterwards found to be broken.

A verdict of Accidental Death was returned. We understand that deceased has left a large family totally unprovided for, and strange to say the lock keeper whose place he took six months ago was drowned in the same place. Another man, at the same time, was struggling in the water some short distance away at the same time deceased was in, but managed to escape. The bricks at the side are said to have been very slippery.”

1891 Census

1, Ryders Green Road – EIGHT LOCKS INN

- [1] *Leah Hale* (29), widow, innkeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Joseph W. Hale* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William T. Hale* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Reginald W. Hale* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Naomi Wood* (22), visitor, confectioner, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah Wood* (20), visitor, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Harry Burrows* (25), barman, born Leeds;
- [8] *Kate Bayless* (20), general servant, born Tipton:

Smethwick Weekly News 16/2/1901

“*William Henry Morris*, landlord of the EIGHT LOCKS INN, Ryders Green Road, West Bromwich, was charged with being drunk on his licensed premises on the 2nd inst. Mr. J. Clark defended.

PC Hollis stated that at 4.50 on the date in question he saw defendant in an intoxicated condition behind his bar.

Mr. Clark, who admitted the offence, explained that *Morris* did not open his house till four o'clock on the afternoon in question owing to the funeral of the late Queen. He had had some rhubarb wine during the afternoon, which upset him.

In consideration of his previous good character, defendant was fined 5s and costs, in all 13s 6d.”

1901 Census

1, Ryders Green Road

- [1] *Harry Braden* (35), manager public house, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Miriam Braden* (35), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mabel Braden* (16), daughter, clerk, drapery business, born New Cross, London;
- [4] *Jane Braden* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Lane Braden* (12), son, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 20/7/1901

“Mr. Lyon Clark (deputy coroner) held an inquest on Wednesday night, at the EIGHT LOCKS INN, Greets Green, concerning the death of *Florence Stevens*, aged two years, whose parents reside in Henry Street, Greets Green, who was drowned by falling into a cistern on Wednesday morning. It appeared that the deceased was in the brewhouse with her mother. The latter heard a splash, and upon turning round observed that the covering of the cistern had been removed and her daughter had fallen into the water. Neighbours rendered assistance, but life was extinct when the child was got out of the water. It was stated that the covering, a stone slab, had been broken for some time, and the mother had complained to the agent of the owner of the property about the defective condition of the stone, but he refused to have it repaired.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death, and suggested that the cistern ought to be bricked over and not allowed to be covered over only by a broken stone. They considered it was dangerous, and requested the Coroner to communicate with the agent, urging him to give the matter immediate attention. It was stated that the agent's attention had been called to the matter, and he had promised to repair it and make the cistern safe.”

Smethwick Weekly News 17/8/1901

“*James Martin* and *Mary Ann Kirkham*, of Greets Green, were each fined 13s including costs, or 14 days imprisonment, for refusing to quit the licensed premises of the EIGHT LOCKS, Ryders Green Road, West Bromwich, on Bank Holiday, kept by *Thomas Cotterell Wedgberrow*.”

1911 Census

1, Ryders Green Road

- [1] *John Yorke* (35), publican, born Langley;
- [2] *Florence Yorke* (36), married 14 years, assist in business, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Jack Yorke* (13), son, school, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Mary Ann Yorke* (11), daughter, school, born Oldbury;
- [5] *Matilda Elkizabath Jones* (40), widow, domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Field Yorke* (65), father, born Langley:

Birmingham Mail Supplement 1/3/1974

“Jack Judge used to perform at the EIGHT LOCKS.....”
Local legend says that he first sang ‘Tipperary’ publicly here.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946], [1948]

[2014]



1986



1997



2014

ENGINE

High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Daniel Smith [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census

High Street – ENGINE

- [1] *Daniel Smith* (44), beer and coal dealer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Smith* (44), wife, born Yardley, Warwickshire;
- [3] *John Smith* (22), son, carter of coal, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emila Smith* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Julina Smith* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Smith* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Hannah Smith* (6 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Jemima Spitter* (15), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Joseph Horton* (28), general servant, born West Bromwich:

ENGINE

Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Sanders [1828] – [1830]

ENGINEER

Cophall Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Taylor [1870]

NOTES

The license renewal to *William Taylor* was refused in September 1870.

FARRIER

3, Sandwell Centre, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Maurice Rich **(1971 - 1972);**
Douglas Walker **(1972 - 1974);**
David Charles Jones **(1974 - 1978);**
Brian Edward Sidwell **(1978 - 1984);**
Kenneth Roger Cresswell **(1984 - 1986):**

NOTES

It opened in 1971.

Maurice Rich – see also FLASK.

It closed in 1986.

It was sold to C. I. N. Properties.

FARRIERS ARMS

2, Queen Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Oliver Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Robert Pearce [1858] – [1873]
Jane Pearce [1881]
Thomas Oliver [1888] – **1896**);
William Smith (**1896 – 1898**);
Thomas Oliver (**1898 – 1909**);
George Henry Cupples (**1909 – 1917**);
Mrs. Helen Cupples (**1917 – 1919**);
William Whitehouse (**1919 – 1936**);
Ernest Charles Harris (**1936 – 1948**);
Margaret Murray Harris (**1948 – []**)

NOTES

It was the headquarters of *Thomas Oliver's* Brewery.

Robert Pearce, beer retailer, Queen Street. [1858], [1861], [1868], [1870]

1861 Census

Queen Street

- [1] *Robert Pearce* (46), master shoeing smith and publican, born Bythin, Herefordshire;
- [2] *Jane Pearce* (46), wife, born Little Ashby;
- [3] Henry Pearce (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Ellen Smith (18), house servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] James Bridge (22), servant, shoeing smith, born Smethwick;
- [6] Thomas Hodgkins (16), servant, shoeing smith, born Willcot;
- [7] Jesse Langford (28), boarder, carman, born Wem, Shropshire:

1871 Census

Queen Street

- [1] *Robert Pearce* (56), farrier, born Wales;
- [2] *Jane Pearce* (57), wife, born Hinckley;
- [3] John H. Pearce (24), son, farrier, born West Bromwich;
- [4] George Hardwick (27), shoeing smith, born Kinver;
- [5] George Barwell (23), groom, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Annie Bibb (20), domestic servant, born Loughborough:

Robert Pearce was described as also being a farrier. [1872]
He was described as also being a shoeing smith. [1873]

1881 Census

2, Queen Street – FARRIERS ARMS

- [1] *Jane Pearce* (64), widow, born Ashby, Leicestershire;
- [2] *Thomas Hall* (39), boarder, engineers' model maker, born Rotherham;
- [3] *Martha Hays* (19), general servant, born Wellesbourne, Warwickshire:

1891 Census

2, Queen Street – FARRIERS ARMS

- [1] *Thomas Oliver* (30), married, rope manufacturer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Annie Lizzie Allen* (21), barmaid, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Annie Thompkinson* (21), barmaid, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] *Maria Scarf* (25), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Barratt* (30), groom, born Swansea:

1911 Census

Queen Street – FARRIERS ARMS

- [1] *George Henry Cupples* (39), licensed victualler, born Sutton, Warwickshire;
- [2] *Helen Cupples* (27), married 3 years, assisting business, born Hill Top;
- [3] *Marjorie Cupples* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Louie Bates* (20), domestic servant, born Birmingham:

George Henry Cupples was married to *Helen*.
He died in 1917.

Closed
Demolished

FIVE WAYS

58-60, (16), Seagar Street, (Lyndon), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Gibson, Birmingham
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1910]
Inn Partnerships
Punch Taverns

LICENSEES

Samuel Nock [1863] – [1870]
Annie Nock [1871] – [1874]
Thomas Deakin [] – **1877**;
Edwin Hassall **(1877 – 1878)**;
Thomas Thompson **(1878 – 1880)**;
John Laughton **(1880 – 1881)**;
Job Bezer **(1881 – 1882)**;
Joseph Cartwright Parkes **(1882)**;
Joseph Powell **(1882 – 1899)**;
Mrs. Elizabeth Powell **(1899 – 1911)**;
Ernest Willetts **(1911 – 1912)**;
Mrs. Phoebe Willetts **(1912 – 1936)**;
Bertie Willetts **(1936 – 1959)**;
Alice Willetts **(1959)**;
John David McGann **(1959 – 1965)**;
Ernest George Miller **(1965 – 1970)**;
Lily Florrie Atkiss **(1970 – 1982)**;
Thomas Henry Forrester **(1982 – 1990)**;
Geoffrey Martin 'Geoff' Johnstone **(1990 – [1995]**
Charanjit Singh Johal [2007]

NOTES

16, Seagar Street [1881], [1891], [1911]
58-60, Seagar Street

It had a beerhouse license.

It was originally called the POOR MAN'S FRIEND. [1877]

It was renamed MANCHESTER SHOP.

It was known locally as the "Fourpenny Shop".



Licensee Phoebe Willetts



c. 1997

1871 Census

Seagar Street – POOR MANS FRIEND

- [1] Annie Nock (62), widow, public house keeper, born Bridgnorth;
- [2] Phoebe Nock (40), daughter in law, born Wednesbury;
- [3] Samuel Nock (39), son, miner, born Birmingham;
- [4] Harriet Williams (13), granddaughter, born Crewe;
- [5] Martha Nock (16), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Samuel Nock (14), grandson, born Tipton:

Mrs. Ann Nock, beer retailer, Seagar Street. [1872]

Job Bezer = Job Beyer

1881 Census

16, Seagar Street – FIVE WAYS INN

- [1] Job Bezer (53), publican, born Wapley, Gloucestershire; [probably Wapley, NE of Bristol]
- [2] Sophia Bezer (53), wife, born Kilpeck, Staffordshire;
- [3] Annie Haylings (23), stepdaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Henry Jones (28), son in law, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Mary Jones (27), stepdaughter, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 15/4/1882

“At the West Bromwich Police Court, on Saturday, before Messrs. R. Heaton and J. H. Pearson (magistrates), *Joseph Powell*, the landlord of the FIVE WAYS INN, Seagar Street, West Bromwich, was charged with permitting drunkenness on his licensed premises on the 18th ult. The house had been visited by several constables on the night in question at various times from 7.40 to 10.55, and on each occasion several men were found there drunk. Some of the men had been before them.

Mr. Hughes, who defended, said his client acknowledged that there were men in the house who were the worse for drink, but he contended they were not supplied with any on his premises.

The defendant was fined 40s and costs.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/4/1887

“An inquest was held at the FIVE WAYS INN, Seagar Street, West Bromwich, on Wednesday, before Mr. E. Hooper (coroner) touching the death of Jane Hancox (53), who died suddenly on Sunday evening at her residence. *John Hancox*, boat loader and publican [HARE AND HOUNDS], 18, Seagar Street, husband of deceased stated that he had been married 22 years. His wife had been in very good health for more than four years, but had occasionally complained of giddiness in the head. On Sunday evening about seven o’clock he had some friends at his house, when she laid the supper things, after which she went to the brewhouse, and immediately returning she caught him by the collar and was gasping for breath. She went towards the brewhouse again and fell on the floor. They bathed her lips with brandy and sent for Dr. Evans but he came too late. She died in about twenty minutes after she was first taken. She went black and blue all over her face, and the doctor did not say the cause of death.

Maria Crofts, friend of Mrs. Hancox, stated that she had known deceased many years and her health was good, but she had consequently complained frequently of a sick headache. She confirmed the statements of the husband and thought she had died from natural causes.

A verdict of Natural Causes was returned.”

1891 Census

16, Seagar Street – FIVE WAYS

- [1] *Joseph Powell* (57), head, beerhouse keeper, born Bloxwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Powell* (55), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Lucy Powell* (18), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Joseph Powell* (16), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Phoebe Powell* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elizabeth Powell* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Lucy Martin* (3), granddaughter, born Oldbury;
- [8] *David Bellwell*(?) (8 months), grandson, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Powell, beer retailer, 16, Seagar Street. [1888], [1892], [1896]

He was fined 20s and costs, on 12th August 1897, for selling ale during prohibited hours.

Mrs. *Elizabeth Powell*, beer retailer, 16, Seagar Street. [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

16, Seagar Street

- [1] *Elizabeth Powell* (74), widow, licensed trade, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Ernest Willetts* (38), son in law, tube drawer, born Netherton;
- [3] *Phoebe Willetts* (34), daughter, married 13 years, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Bertie Willetts* (12), grandson, school, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Bessie Willetts* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Joseph Powell Willetts* (7), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ernest Willetts* (6), grandson, born West Bromwich:

Ernest Willetts was married to *Phoebe*.

He died in 1912.

Phoebe Willetts was fined 20s and £1 3s 6d costs, on 23rd December 1915, for giving over measure of beer.

Bertie Willetts was married to *Alice*.

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

Geoff Johnstone was married to *Kerry*.

It was extended in 1997 (?) by swallowing up the next door HARE AND HOUNDS.

The licensing hours were reduced, in October 2007, after more than 100 reports of disturbances were made in just over a year.

Closed [2008], [2010]

It became the HARE & FIVE HOUNDS HOTEL. [2012]

FLASK

Queen Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

George Dean Norton **(1969 - 1970);**
Maurice Rich **(1970 - 1971);**
Clive Mason **(1971 - 1974);**
Brian Milton Isitt **(1974 - 1975);**
Kevin Richard Morrissey **(1975 - 1976);**
Frederick William Thornton **(1976);**
Arty Ebanks **(1976 - 1978);**
Rose Campbell **(1978 - 1986):**

NOTES

It opened in 1969.

It closed on 10th January 1986.

The license was surrendered by the brewery under a Compulsory Purchase Order.

FLOWER POT

Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Charles Walker [] - **1881**);
Sarah Smith (**1881** - []

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

FLOWER POT

137, (131), (121), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Samuel Woodhall Ltd.
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd. [1938]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.
Marstons plc



LICENSEES

Edward Woodward [1852] – [1881]
Mrs. Mary Ann Woodward [1888] – [1889]
Arthur Mason [] – **1890**);
George Walter Parker **(1890 – 1896)**;
Mrs. Henrietta (Parker) Sutton **(1896 – 1901)**;
Frank Loach **(1901 – 1905)**;
Henrietta Loach [1901]
Henry Lutwyche **(1905 – 1913)**;
Charles James **(1913 – 1914)**;
William Taylor **(1914 – 1921)**;
Frederick Robert Pullen **(1921 – 1932)**;
Job William George Ellis **(1932)**;
Thomas Henry Baker **(1932 – 1933)**;
John Henry Lewis **(1933 – 1939)**;
Frederick Arthur Lees **(1939 – 1955)**;
Gerald Douglas Wiles **(1955 – [])**
Tommy McMahon [c. 1980]
Whyte [1992]
Stephen Hadley [1993]
Lynn Eades and Steve Morley [] – **1999**)

NOTES

121, Spon Lane [1888], [1889]
131, Spon Lane [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904], [1908], [1912]
137, Spon Lane [2008]

Smethwick Telephone

'Rub-a dub dub Memories of the Old Washtub'

“.....which was next door to a men’s lodging house or doss house, where for eight old pence a night a bed could be had.”

Black Country Bugle 28/5/2009

Letter from Andrew Woodward, Canada

“Family lore says that workers would drop into the FLOWER POT on the way home from their jobs to relax and have a good time. *Edward* Snr. [*Edward Woodward*], the victualler, had a habit of sitting on the doorstep of the inn, while waiting for his customers to come in for a drink. This was much to the disapproval of his wife, Mary Ann. She would often nag him about it, as she believed it appeared unprofessional.....”

1881 Census

121, Spon Lane

[1] *Edward Woodward* (63), whitesmith, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Ann Woodward* (60), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Jane Blackham* (18), boarder, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 10/2/1881

“On Tuesday, Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, held an inquest at the FLOWER POT INN, Spon Lane, West Bromwich, upon the body of Thomas Loomes (59), carter, who died from injuries received on the 18th ult. The deceased was formerly in the employ of the Patent Nut and Bolt Company. On the day named he was proceeding along Grace Street, Spon Lane, with a horse and cart, when he slipped and fell under one of the wheels, which passed over his body. The jury found a verdict of Accidental death.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 24/9/1881

“On Wednesday, an inquest was held before Mr. E. Hooper, at the FLOWER POT INN, upon the body of William Blakemore, a child aged two years, whose parents reside at Spon Lane.

Deceased had been unwell for some time, and was taken worse on the 18th, and died suddenly the following day. A verdict of death from Natural Causes was returned.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 29/2/1887

“William Gorton (68), of New Street, Hill Top, was charged with obtaining 3s by false pretences on the 24th October last. It appears prisoner has been for some time in the Hospital, where he underwent an operation, and on being discharged the police lost sight of him.

Seymour Mole, prosecutor, stated that he was an undertaker in Spon Lane, and on the date in question, defendant went into the FLOWER POT INN, where he [prosecutor] was and represented himself as being the landlord of the BROWN LION INN, at Oldbury, and asked him to accompany him to Oldbury to measure his mother for a coffin, adding that his trap was standing outside the DARTMOUTH HOTEL. He then asked the loan of 3s until he got to Oldbury, when he would repay him, and left the house saying he would be back in three quarters of an hour. A few minutes afterwards he went to the DARTMOUTH, and found that there was no trap there at all, and the person failing to turn up he communicated with Superintendent Whitehurst. Prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.”

1891 Census

131, Spon Lane

[1] *George W. Parker* (36), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Harrietta Parker* (26), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Ada E. Parker* (3), daughter, scholar, born Norris Town, America;

[4] *Esther I. Parker* (2), daughter, born Norris Town, America;

[5] *Clara Waterhouse* (17), general servant, born Oldbury:

George W. Parker brewed his own beer.

1901 Census

131, Spon Lane

[1] *Frank Loach* (34), general haulier, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Henrietta Loach* (36), wife, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Ada A. Parker* (13), daughter, born America (British subject);

[4] *Annie F. Parker* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Thomas R. Parker* (7), son, born West Bromwich;

[6] *George W. Parker* (9), son, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 7/9/1901

“Yesterday (Friday) morning, Mr. Lyon Clark (Deputy Coroner), held an inquest at the FLOWER POT INN, Spon Lane, concerning the death of William Gibbs (57), carter, formerly residing at 153, Spon Lane, who died suddenly on Thursday. It appeared from the evidence that the deceased, who was in the employ of Messrs. Grigg and Bone, Neal Street, had suffered from chronic bronchitis and asthma for some years past, and was only able to follow his employment at intervals. He returned home from work about 7.30 on Wednesday night and complained of being unable to breathe properly. He went to bed about 9.30, and on his daughter, Elizabeth Gibbs (16), going into his bedroom about 5.30 the following morning, she noticed that he looked very peculiar. She fetched a woman named Mrs. Lansbury, of Ault Street, who found that Gibbs was dead. The Jury returned a verdict of Death from Natural Causes.”

Closed

Demolished

Rebuilt c. 1948 on the original site and adjoining land.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1968]

A team from here took part in the Smethwick and District Charity Darts League. [1981/2]

Lynn Eades and *Steve Morley* – see also WROTTESLEY ARMS, Wolverhampton.

[2014]



2005



2014

FLOWERY LAND

High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Brookes [1871]

NOTES

1871 Census

High Street – The FLOWERY LAND

[1] *James Brookes* (28), publican, born Braunston, Northamptonshire;

[2] *Ellen Brookes* (25), wife, born Billington, Staffordshire;

[3] *Alice A. Brookes* (9 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Sarah Frier* (66), wife's mother, widow, annuitant, born Tipton;

[5] *Emma Parton* (15), nurse, born Tipton:

FORESTERS ARMS

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

The Patent Nut and Bolt Co., Spon Lane, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Benjamin Smith [] - **1873**):

NOTES

It had a beer and wine license.

The license was given up in 1873.

[Was this in favour of the FORRESTERS ARMS, Ault Street?]

FORGE HAMMER

150, Union Street, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Stamps, Union Street, West Bromwich
William Twist
J. W. J. Kingstone Ltd. [1927]
Thomas Oliver Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Elias Lones [1864] - **1872**;
Samuel Lawton (**1872 - 1878**);
William Twist (**1878 - 1914**);
William Linney (**1914 - 1915**);
Harry William Warren (**1915 - 1931**);
Mrs. Louisa Ellen Warren (**1931 - 1934**);
Ernest Slater (**1934 - 1938**);
Percival Thomas Jacques (**1938 - []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Elias Lones, beer retailer, Union Street. [1864], [1868], [1872]

1871 Census

Union Street – Stamps Building

- [1] *Elias Lones* (43), publican, born Sedgley;
- [2] Sarah Lones (44), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] Joseph Lones (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Sarah Winbush (19), general servant, born Oldbury;

Samuel Lawton was fined 40s and costs, on 21st April 1873, for permitting drunkenness on 7th April.

1881 Census

Union Street – FORGE HAMMER INN

- [1] *William Twist* (34), beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Louisa Twist (36), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Julia Twist (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Caroline Twist (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] William Twist (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Elizabeth Twist (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Emma Twist (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Thomas Twist (8 weeks (?)), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] Emma Brompton (16), domestic servant, born Smethwick;

William Twist issued tokens from here.

Wednesbury Herald 18/11/1882

“*William Twist* of the FORGE HAMMER INN, Union Street, Spon Lane, was summoned on Saturday at the West Bromwich Police Court to answer the charge of keeping his house open during prohibited hours for the sale of intoxicating liquor, viz at 11.40am on the 4th inst.

Mr. F. W. Tipham defended.

Police-constable Bishop proved the case, the defence being that the defendant was not aware that he was doing wrong, as the person who got the ale was a member of a club and did not pay for it.

Fined 20s and costs.”

William Twist, beer retailer, 150 Union Street. [1888], [1904]

William Twist, beer seller, 150, Union Street. [1889]

1891 Census

150, Union Street

- [1] *William Twist* (44), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Louisa Twist* (46), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Julia Twist* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Caroline Twist* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William Twist* (15), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elizabeth Twist* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Thomas Twist* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Mary A. Twist* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

150, Union Street – FORGE HAMMER INN

- [1] *William Twist* (54), widower, publican and brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *William Twist* (26), son, cooper and wood cask maker, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lizzie Twist* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Twist* (20), son, iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary A. Twist* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Phyliss Holmes* (16), general servant, born Tipton:

1911 – “Home brewed ales”.

1911 Census

150, Union Street

- [1] *William Twist* (63), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Emma Twist* (50), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Bradley Twist* (36), son, cooper, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Phyliss Ann Holmes* (26), domestic servant, born Great Bridge:

Harry William Warren was married to *Louisa Ellen*.

It was sold at auction on 23rd February 1928 for £1,500.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1946]

FORRESTERS ARMS

12, Ault Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Ault, West Bromwich
Edward Cheshire, Windmill Lane, Smethwick
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.



2004

LICENSEES

Peter Capel [] - **1871**);
Catherine Lewis (**1871** - []
Henry Cracknell [] - **1872**);
Joseph David Reynolds (**1872** - []
Nathaniel Ward [] - **1873**);
Benjamin Smith (**1873** - [1881]
John Stokes [1888] - **1889**);
Alfred Harriman (**1889** - **1892**);
Martha Knight (**1892**);
William Frederick Knight (**1892** - **1895**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Hannah Lloyd (**1895**);
Annie Darby (**1895** - **1896**);
John Thomas Castle (**1896** - **1898**);
William Crees (**1898** - **1924**);
William Lee (**1924** - **1935**);
Mrs. Millicent Lee (**1935** - **1951**);
Annie Gertrude Colley (**1951** - **1954**);
Charles Henry Thompson (**1954**);
Josiah Gerald Cowdell (**1954** - **1955**)
Reeves Barrington Riley (**1978** - **1983**);
Maureen Mary Jenkins (**1983** - []
Kashmir Singh [1992] - [1993]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

James David Reynolds, beer retailer, Ault Street. [1872]

1881 Census

12, Ault Street – public house
[1] *Benjamin Smith* (50), publican, born West Bromwich;
[2] *Mary A. Smith* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] *Emily Singleton* (23), niece, formerly laundress, born West Bromwich:

John Stokes, beer retailer, 12, Ault Street. [1888]

1891 Census

12, Ault Street

[1] *Alfred Harriman* (33), beerhouse keeper and traveller, born Wolverhampton;

[2] *Emily Harriman* (30), wife, born Birmingham;

[3] *Frank B. Harriman* (2), son, born Langley, Worcestershire;

[4] *Selina Powell* (17), servant, born Wednesbury:

Alfred Harriman, beer retailer, 12, Ault Street. [1892]

He was fined £5 and costs, on 16th October 1890, for selling whisky without a license.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lloyd, beer retailer, Ault Street. [1896]

John Thomas Castle was fined 10s and costs, on 7th October 1897, for permitting gaming.

1901 Census

12, Ault Street

[1] *William Crees* (39), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Fanny Crees* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *John Crees* (15), son, sheet glassmaker, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Ernest Crees* (13), son, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Florrie Crees* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Fred Crees* (7), son, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

12, Ault Street

[1] *William Crees* (49), publican, (beerhouse), born West Bromwich;

[2] *Fanny Crees* (49), wife, married 27 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Fred Crees* (17), son, carver, wood, furniture trade, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Wilfred Crees* (6), son, school, born West Bromwich:

William Lee was married to *Millicent*.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1946], [1951], [1966], [1967], [1968]

A full license was granted on 10th March 1955, and confirmed on 19th April 1955.

A team from here were champions of the Smethwick and District Darts League 'A' Section in 1964.

A team from here took part in the Smethwick and District Charity Darts League. [1981/2]

[2008]

Closed [2010]

It was converted into a shop and café. [2012]

FOUNTAIN

116, (124), (63), Holloway Bank, Wednesbury Bridge, (Bridge End), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Ward
Millward Brothers, Wednesbury
Frederick Smith Ltd. [1941]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1959]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Mercury Taverns [1996]
Punch Taverns
Admiral Taverns [2008]

LICENSEES

John Hall [1818]
Charles Wilson [1828] – [1861]
Ann Wilson [1864] – [1865]
Richard Grice [1868] – [1870]
Thomas Beckett [1871] – [1872]
John Grist []
Henry Hinton [1873] – **1875**);
William Rowley (**1875** – []
George Ward Snr. [1881] – **1892**);
George Ward Jnr. (**1892** – **1894**);
George Peters (**1894** – **1895**);
Edward Forrest (**1895** – **1898**);
Joseph Walleth (**1898**);
William Benjamin Tickle (**1898** – **1899**);
John William Lazenby (**1899** – **1900**);
Henry Arthur Waterfield (**1900** – **1901**);
Enoch Page (**1901**);
James Latham (**1901** – **1902**);
George Willetts (**1902** – **1916**);
Mrs. Emma Maria Willetts (**1916** – **1924**);
George Willetts (**1924** – **1928**);
Edward Clamp (**1928** – **1929**);
Albert Henry Owen (**1929** – **1931**);
James Arthur Harper (**1931** – **1937**);
Walter William Barnett (**1937** – **1938**);
Stanley George Buckle (**1938** – **1950**);
Leonard Farmer (**1950**);
Albert Parsons (**1950** – [1963]
George Carpenter (**1986** – [1990]



1986



NOTES

Wednesbury Bridge [1830]

Bridge End [1845], [1849], [1850], [1851]

63, Holloway Bank [1861]

116, Holloway Bank [1881], [1888], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]

124, Holloway Bank [1889]

It was known locally as the "Fountain in Th'Ole".

1851 Census

Bridge End

- [1] *Charles Wilson* (58), licensed victualler and coach smith, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Ann Wilson* (54), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *Elizabeth Wilson* (26), daughter, dress maker at home, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Wilson* (22), son, iron works, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Wilson* (20), son, coach smith, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Charlotte Wilson* (18), daughter, at home, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ann Wilson* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Hannah Wilson* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1861 Census

63, Holloway Bank

- [1] *Charles Wilson* (68), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Wilson* (64), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *Charlotte Wilson* (27), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ann Wilson* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Hannah Wilson* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Richard Grice was fined 2s 6d and costs for selling alcohol during prohibited hours in February 1869.

1871 Census

Holloway Bank – FOUNTAIN INN

- [1] *Thomas Beckett* (65), licensed victualler, born Baschurch, Shropshire;
- [2] *Hannah Beckett* (58), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Annie Perry* (19), general servant, born Bilston:

Midland Counties Evening Express 19/5/1875

“At the Wednesbury Police Court, today a singular case under the Licensing Act was heard. *John Grist*, of the FOUNTAIN INN, Hill Top, was summoned for selling beer without a license. The evidence showed that the defendant, who had by past misconduct forfeited the privilege of holding the license himself, had transferred it to his father in law, a man named *Hinton*. The defendant, when this arrangement was entered into, made it clear that he should virtually be the landlord. His father in law, however, became so dissipated [addicted to drink] in his habits, and generally was so unfitted to carry on the trade, that *Grist* determined to transfer the license of the house to a person named *Rowley*. *Hinton*, upon hearing this, was greatly annoyed, and, determined to frustrate his son in law’s intentions, gave notice to the police that he intended to give up the house on the 10th instant, but in the information the date was given as 1st May. Upon the police entering the house at the beginning of the month, they saw several persons in the place drinking ale; hence the summons against the defendant.

The Bench dismissed the case; but they admitted that the case was a very proper one for inquiry by the police.

Mr. Sheldon (who appeared for *Grist*) said the case had emanated from vindictive feelings on the part of *Hinton*, and after the magistrates had disposed of the charge against his client applied that the license of the house might be transferred to *William Rowley*.

Mr. Superintendent Holland said he had no objection to *Rowley* occupying the house provided Mr. Sheldon could prove that *Grist* had no participatory benefit, and that the license was made from *Hinton*.

Hinton, when called, refused to give up the notice; he had come 50 miles, and he wanted compensation.

Mr. Walter Williams [magistrate], who said the demand of *Hinton* was extortionate, granted the transfer.”

1881 Census

116, Holloway Bank

[1] *George Ward* (41), coach smith and publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Selina Ward* (40), wife, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Mary J. Ward* (17), daughter, general servant, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Elizabeth A. Ward* (15), daughter, general servant, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Selina F. Ward* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[6] *George Ward* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Emma Ward* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[8] *John Ward* (4), son, born West Bromwich;

[9] *Alice Ward* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

G. Ward issued tokens from here.

Wednesbury Herald 18/7/1882

“Thomas Jones Snr and Thomas Jones Jnr, both residing at Holloway Bank, were summoned for refusing to quit the FOUNTAIN INN, Holloway Bank, when requested to do so by the landlord, *George Ward*.

Mr. Ebsworth appeared for the complainant.

It was alleged that the defendants went into the complainant’s house, created a disturbance, and refused to leave when ordered to do so.

Each of the defendants was fined 5s and costs.”

1891 Census

116, Holloway Bank – FOUNTAIN INN

[1] *George Ward* (51), widower, publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *George Ward* (20), son, coach smith, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Ward* (18), son, striker, born West Bromwich;

[4] *John Ward* (14), son, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Elizabeth Ward* (24), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Emma Ward* (16), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Alice Ward* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[8] *Leonard Davis* (30), son in law, filer, born Gloucestershire;

[9] *Leonard G. Davis* (18 months), grandson, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 5/5/1900

“Thomas Bowdler, of Rigby Street, Hill Top, (labourer) was fined 5s and costs for refusing to quit the licensed premises of the FOUNTAIN INN, Holloway Bank on the 30th ult.”

Smethwick Weekly News 9/2/1901

“Thomas Wardle (24), of Bridge Street, Wednesbury, was charged with refusing to quit the licensed premises of the FOUNTAIN INN, Holloway Bank, West Bromwich, and also with assaulting the wife of the landlord (*Enoch Page*) on the 2nd inst.

For refusing to quit, defendant was fined 2s 6d and 8s 6d costs, and the case of assault was dismissed on payment of costs, 6s, or fourteen days imprisonment in default.”

1901 Census

116, Holloway Bank – FOUNTAIN INN

- [1] *Enoch Page* (54), publican, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Mary H. Page* (44), wife, born Liverpool;
- [3] *May L. Page* (12), daughter, scholar, born Darlaston;
- [4] *Ethel H. Page* (8), daughter, scholar, born Wednesbury;
- [5] *Martha Williams* (18), housemaid, born West Bromwich:

A team from here took part in the Wednesbury and District Air Gun League. [1909]

1911 Census

117, Holloway Bank

- [1] *George Willetts* (39), licensed victualler, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Emma Willetts* (36), wife, married 16 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Willetts* (15), daughter, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *George Willetts* (13), son, office boy, tube works, born Wednesbury;
- [5] *Fred Willetts* (11), son, school, born Wednesbury;
- [6] *Raymond Willetts* (6), son, born West Bromwich:

It was renamed YE OLD FOUNTAIN [1912]

James Arthur Harper was married to *Ivy*.

The name was changed back to the FOUNTAIN.

Demolished

It was rebuilt in 1936.

On 12th November 1956, *Albert Parsons* was fined £5 in each of five cases of permitting his premises to be used for the purpose of betting, plus £3 3s 0d costs.

[2008]

It closed in 2009. [2011]

It was converted into a builders merchants. [2012]



1996

FOUR IN HAND

Tenscore Street, All Saints Way, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Gayle Stephanie Cox [1992]

NOTES

[1976]

It closed on 16th August 1995.
It was demolished in August 1995.
A Macdonald's was built on the site.



1986

FOX

Holly Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Humphreys [1867]

FOX AND DOGS

140, (138), High Street / Thomas Street, Heath, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Holt Brewery Co. Ltd.
Samuel Woodhall Ltd. [1912]
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1938]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Matthew Thomas [1818] – [1830]
Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas [1834] – [1851]
Miss Sarah Thomas [1855] – [1868]
Miss Jane Thomas [1872] – [1881]
James Thomas [1883]
Samuel Woodhall [1885]
Mrs. Ann Jackson [1888] – [1889]
Thomas Bromley [] – **1889**);
Albert Clayton (**1889 – 1890**);
Charles Henry Burrows (**1890 – 1891**);
Samuel Woodhall (**1891 – 1920**);
William Turner [c. 1920] manager
Frederick William Stamps (**1920 – 1939**);
Henry Elwen Cox (**1939**);
Ernest George Miller (**1939 – 1954**);
Rudolph Longmore (**1954 – []**)
Mrs. Valerie Quinney [1992] – [1993]

NOTES

FOX AND DOG [1860], [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900]

138, High Street

140, High Street [1881], [1883], [1891], [1892], [1888], [1896], [1900], [1906], [1992], [2001]

Miss Sarah Thomas, wine and spirit vaults, High Street. [1868]

Miss Jane Thomas, wine and spirit vaults, High Street. [1872]

1881 Census

140, High Street – wine shop

[1] Jane Thomas (65), unmarried, wine and liquor seller, born West Bromwich;

[2] Mary Cartwright (30), attendant, born West Bromwich:

1883 Advert

“Old established wine, spirit and ale stores. Bass ale and Guinness bottled stout.”

Samuel Woodhall's Borough Brewery was erected in 1885, behind the pub.

THIS IS WORTH NOTICE ! !

FOX AND DOGS HOTEL,
140, HIGH STREET, WEST BROMWICH.

A

Sick & Dividend Society

Is held at the Above Hotel,
ON MONDAY EVENINGS at 7 p.m. prompt.

Honorary Treasurer - Mr. S. Woodhall.
Secretary - Mr. W. Lole,
Glover Street, West Bromwich.

Entrance Fee - 1s. per member.
Weekly Subscription - 3d. „

BENEFITS.

Sick Pay - 5s. per week,
Payment on death of member - £3 0 0
Payment on death of member's
wife - £2 0 0

Members' Contributions for year ending
December, 1905, £90 2s. 9d.

Dividend to Full Member - £0 7 3/4
Total Dividends paid for year - £43 3 0

Join at once. Members enrolled any Club
Night.

Fulllest information, and copy of Balance
Sheet may be had from the Secretary.

Advert 1906

Samuel Woodhall was also a brewer, and wine and spirit merchant. [1888], [1900]

1891 Census

140, High Street

[1] Charles H. Burrows (35), licensed victualler, born Woodchester, Gloucestershire;

[2] Alexa Burrows (33), wife, born Darlaston;

[3] Henry J. Burrows (11), son, scholar, born Moxley;

[4] Fanny E. Burrows (10), daughter, scholar, born Moxley:

Samuel Woodhall, brewer and FOX AND DOGS, 140, High Street. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 23/21906 - Advert

“This Is Worth Notice! / FOX AND DOGS HOTEL, 140, High Street, West Bromwich. / Sick & Dividend Society / Is held at the Above Hotel / On Monday evenings at 7pm prompt. / Honorary Treasurer – Mr. S. Woodhall, Secretary – Mr. W. Lole, Glover Street, West Bromwich / Entrance Fee – 1s per member, Weekly subscription – 3d per member / Benefits / Sick Pay – 5s per week, Payment on death of member - £3 0s 0d, Payment on death of Member’s wife - £2 0s 0d / Members' Contributions for year ending December, 1905, £90 2s 9d / Dividend to Full Member – 7s 6d / Total Dividends paid for year - £43 3s 6d / Join at once. Members enrolled any Club Night / Fullest information, and copy of Balance Sheet may be had from the Secretary.”

Samuel Woodhall Ltd., brewers, 140, High Street. [1912]

Wiliam Turner was married to Elizabeth.

A license for ALEXANDER’S was originally granted in Dudley Crown Court on 13th February 1978. It was renamed the CHOSEN FEW.

[Was this a night club attached to the FOX AND DOGS at 140, High Street?]

[2014]



1986



2014

FOX AND GOOSE

161, (157), (51), Greets Green Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mary Webb
Thomas Harris
Rushton's Brewery Co. Ltd. [1921]
Ansells Ltd. [1923]
Sycamore Taverns
Inn Business [2001]

LICENSEES

John Harris [1872] – [1881]
Mrs. Mary Harris [1888] – [1889]
Thomas Harris [1891]
Mrs. Mary Webb [1892] – **1895**);
Thomas Harris (**1895 – 1926**);
William Beckett (**1926 – 1932**);
Mrs. Bathsheba Beckett (**1932 – 1933**);
Albert Harry Lowe (**1933 – 1937**);
William George 'Bill' Hutchings (**1937 – 1939**);
William Charles Terry (**1939 – 1943**);
Albert Victor Herbert (**1943 – 1945**);
George Sibley (**1945 – 1959**);
Emanuel George Price (**1959 – 1960**);
Eric Albert Lowe (**1960** – [1962]
Fred Barker [pre 1981]
D W Rudge [1982]
James Stevenson Taylor [1987] – [1993]
David Jones [2001]

NOTES

51, Greets Green Road [1881], [1888], [1889], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]
157, Greets Green Road [1901], [1912], [1916], [1921]
161, Greets Green Road [1990], [1992], [2001]

An inquest was held here in 1867.

1881 Census

51, Greets Green Road – FOX AND GOOSE INN
[1] *John Harris* (56), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
[2] *Mary Harris* (41), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] *John Harris* (21), son, coach builder, born West Bromwich;
[4] *Daniel Harris* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[5] *Annie York* (18), visitor, born Crewe, Wiltshire;
[6] *Eliza Beckett* (17), visitor, born West Bromwich;
[7] *Daniel Beckett* (48), brother in law, unemployed, born West Bromwich;
[8] *P. Bottom* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

51, Greets Green Road – FOX AND GOOSE INN

- [1] *Thomas Harris* (22), publican manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Amelia Harris* (23), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Daniel Harris* (20), brother, grocer's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Daniel Beckett* (58), uncle, widower, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Harriet Holmes* (19), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Hannah Raybould* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

157, Greets Green Road

- [1] *Thomas Harris* (32), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Amelia Harris* (32), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Thomas E. Harris* (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary B. Harris* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Daniel Harris* (68), uncle, blacksmith, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Harriet Poston* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Harris was a committee member of West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers' Association. [1902]

He was also a brewer.

He was married secondly to *Louisa*.

William Charles Terry was born in 1902.

Wednesbury Leader 19/10/1906

“On Saturday evening a most successful ‘Smoker’ was held at the FOX AND GOOSE INN, Greets Green. There was a good attendance. Councillor R. Prince proposed that Mr. W. Ellis should preside, as he had taken the initiative with regard to the presentation; he had put his heart and soul into it, and had collected the subscriptions. Councillor Prince was elected his vis a vis.

The Chairman said in the first place he proposed making the presentation to Mr. Jones, the park-keeper of Farley Park. They were all aware that he had done them good service on the ground during the season, he had always been very courteous and willing to assist them in any way that he could. (Hear, hear)

And it was thought amongst the different people who used the green that they should recognise his services to some little extent. He was asked to take the matter in hand, and was only too pleased to do so. He had great pleasure in asking Mr. Jones's acceptance of a marble timepiece, which contained the following inscription:- ‘Presented to Mr. H. Jones, as a token of respect and esteem, by friends using the bowling green, Farley Park, Greets Green, West Bromwich. October 13th, 1906.’.....”

Closed

Demolished

It was rebuilt c. 1935.

Albert Victor Herbert – see also MARKSMAN.

George Sibley – check also MANCHESTER STORES, Oldbury.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 27/4/1946

“If it was land instead of water I’d walk over!” says Mr. *Thomas Harris*, of Shaunavon, Canada, expressing a yearning for West Bromwich, from where he went in 1926 to join his son, Ernest. Mr. *Harris* is now a porter in the Kings Hotel, his experience as a licensed victualler in West Bromwich being extremely valuable. As proprietor of the FOX AND GOOSE, Mr. *Harris* was advertised as a licensed brewer and retailer of wines, brandy, whiskey and spirits. His brewery was a high building in which he brewed 600 gallons of ale every week before the 1914-18 war, during which it was reduced to 72 gallons. He used to buy two hogsheads of Irish whiskey every year, keep it in bond and break it down to sell 150 gallons.

Within half a mile radius of his public house were two factories making iron tubes, eight brickworks, foundries and a carriage works.

Mr. *Harris* is 67 (?) years of age, having been born on August 18th, 1868. Though he finds the climate of Canada cold in the winter he is not troubled with rheumatism. A daughter, Mrs. M. B. Holmes, resides at 36, Slater Street, Great Bridge, and a son, Albert, at 46, Geoffrey Place, Philip Sidney Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham.”

Emmanuel George Price – see also KINGS ARMS.

Fred Barker was married to Rene.
See also RED LION, Tividale.

[2014]



c. 1911



1986



Licensee Bill Hutchins



2014

FURNACE

Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

[1870]

GEORGE

21, (23), John Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Benjamin Hopkins
Samuel Woodhall Ltd.
Meade and Co. Ltd. [1905]

LICENSEES

Benjamin Hopkins [1861] – **1890**;
Theophilus Shaw Batchford (**1890 – 1903**);
Arthur Edward Simpson (**1903 – 1905**);
George Austin (**1905 – 1907**);
Peter Austin (**1907 – 1914**):

NOTES

21, John Street [1881], [1891], [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

Benjamin Hopkins, beer retailer, John Street. [1861], [1864], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

John Street

- [1] *Benjamin Hopkins* (44), glazier and publican, born Darlaston;
- [2] *Maria Hopkins* (44), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *Joseph Hopkins* (18), son, holloware tinman, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Hopkins* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Taylor* (50), widow, visitor, born Darlaston:

1881 Census

21, John Street – GEORGE INN

- [1] *Benjamin Hopkins* (54), house painter and beer seller, born Darlaston;
- [2] *Maria Hopkins* (56), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *Joseph Hopkins* (27), iron turner, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Hopkins* (22), daughter, dress maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Taylor* (73), widow, born Darlaston:

Benjamin Hopkins, beer retailer, 21, John Street. [1888]

Benjamin Hopkins, beer retailer, 23, John Street. [1889] [Possibly a misprint.]

1891 Census

21, John Street – The GEORGE

- [1] *Theophilus S. Batchford* (39), wood pattern maker, born Dudley;
- [2] *Maria S. Batchford* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Winifred S. Batchford* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ethel S. Batchford* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Clara S. Batchford* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Theophilus Shaw Batchford, beer retailer, 21, John Street. [1892], [1896]

1901 Census

21, John Street

- [1] *Theophilus S. Batchford* (48), pattern maker and beer retailer, born Dudley;
- [2] *Maria M. Batchford* (42), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Winifred S. Batchford* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah A. Batchford* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ethel S. Batchford* (19), daughter, cardboard box maker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Clara S. Batchford* (16), daughter, stationer's female clerk, born West Bromwich:

Arthur Edward Simpson, beer retailer, 21, John Street. [1904]

Peter Austin, beer retailer, 21, John Street. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

21, John Street

- [1] *Peter Austin* (33), beer retailer and salesman (mineral water and brewery), born Bradley;
- [2] *Emily Austin* (34) wife, married 4 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Charles Austin* (3), son, born West Bromwich:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 13th March 1913.

The license renewal was refused on 10th June 1913.

The license was extinguished on 31st July 1914.

GEORGE

Old Meeting Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Powell, Old Meeting Street, West Bromwich
George Thompson, Oldbury

LICENSEES

John Boddington [] - **1885**;
Joseph Darby (**1885** - []

GEORGE

Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Ernest Jackson [1870]

NOTES

The license renewal to *Ernest Jackson* was refused in September 1870.

GEORGE

109, Phoenix Street, Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards, Wednesbury (later at Hollyhedge Road, West Bromwich)
Samuel Woodhall Ltd.
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd.
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.
Avebury Taverns

LICENSEES

Aaron Bagnall Snr. [1871] – 1876);
Aaron Bagnall Jnr. (1876 – 1879);
Charlotte Bagnall (1879 – 1883);
Richard Cole (1883 – 1893);
Mrs. Charlotte Cole (1893 – 1901);
John Wardle (1901 – 1902);
George Arthur Woodward (1902 – 1903);
John Pitt Ellis (1903 – 1904);
William Henry Woodward (1904 – 1905);
William Harding (1905 – 1911);
Walter Hall (1911 – 1912);
William Church (1912 – 1913);
Sylvia Gould (1913 – 1923);
Frank Joseph Steventon (1923 – 1933);
Mrs. Mary Ann Steventon (1933 – []
Francis Kirkpatrick 'Frank' Fearnis (1949 – 1964)
Ray Kinsell [1950's]
James Birks [1968]
Jeffrey Whitehouse [1982]
Linda Jarvis [1992] – [1993]
Jill Britton (1994 – [2007]



2007

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Aaron Bagnall = Aaron Baggott

Aaron Baggott, beer retailer, Phoenix Street. [1872]

Aaron Bagnall Jnr. was the son of Aaron Bagnall Snr.
He was married to *Charlotte*.
He died in 1879.

1891 Census

109, Phoenix Street – GEORGE INN

- [1] *Richard Cole* (40), publican, born Bewdley;
- [2] *Charlotte Cole* (45), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Minnie M. Cole* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charlotte Baggott* (21), stepdaughter, born West Bromwich:

Richard Cole, beer retailer, 109, Phoenix Street. [1892]
He died in 1893.

Mrs. Charlotte Cole, beer retailer, 109, Phoenix Street. [1896], [1900]

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/6/1900

“GEORGE INN, Phoenix Street, Swan Village, West Bromwich. John Pritchard has been recently instructed to Sell by Auction, on Monday next, June 25th 1900, the whole of the Brewing Plant, comprising Mash Tub, Wrought-iron Boiler, Collecting Tubs, nearly new Square, 36-barrel Barrels, Copper-bottomed Sieve, 4½ Pockets of Hops, quantity of Household Furniture.....”

1901 Census

109, Phoenix Street – GEORGE INN

- [1] *John Wardle* (50), stationary engine driver, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Mary Wardle* (48), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *Annie Wardle* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ellen Goodwin* (49), widow, visitor, living on her own means, born Stone, Staffordshire:

John Pitt Ellis, beer retailer, 109, Phoenix Street. [1904]

William Harding, beer retailer, 109, Phoenix Street. [1908]

1911 Census

Phoenix Street – GEORGE INN

- [1] *William Harding* (45), brewer's labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Harding* (45), wife, married 23 years, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Florance Harding* (19), born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Victor Harding* (14), electrical fitter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Thomas Harold Harding* (11), school, born West Bromwich:

Frank Joseph Steventon was married to *Mary Ann*.
He died in 1933.

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Darts League. [1951]

*Frank Fearn*s was married to *Renee*.

The pub was a popular entertainment venue during the 1950's and 1960's.

[2011]

Closed [2012]

I was converted to housing. [2014]

GEORGE

257, (255), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Powell, Old Meeting Street, West Bromwich
George Thompson, Langley
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1899]

LICENSEES

Joseph Darby [] - **1880**;
William Powell (**1880 - 1888**);
William Cooper (**1888 - 1889**);
Thomas H Cooksey [1888] - [1889] ?
William Powell (**1889 - 1907**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Powell (**1907 - 1912**);
Mary Florence Willis (**1912**);

NOTES

255, Spon Lane [1881], [1891]
257, Spon Lane [1912]

It had a beer and wine license.

1881 Census

255, Spon Lane – public house

- [1] *William Powell* (40), publican, born Walcot, Shropshire;
- [2] *Mary A. Powell* (36), wife, born Meole, Shropshire;
- [3] *William A. Powell* (16), son, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Charles E. Powell* (12), son, scholar, born Wednesbury;
- [5] *Mary Ann F. Powell* (9 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ann James* (60), mother in law, born Meole, Shropshire;
- [7] *Caroline Roberts* (20), domestic servant, born West Smethwick:

Thomas Cooksey, beer retailer, 255, Spon Lane. [1888]

William Powell was fined £2 and costs, on 12th August 1889, for three cases of permitting gaming.

1891 Census

255, Spon Lane

- [1] *William Powell* (50), retail brewer, born Shropshire;
- [2] *Mary A. Powell* (49), wife, born Shropshire;
- [3] *Charles E. Powell* (22), son, coal dealer, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Mary A. F. Powell* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice Westwood* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

William Powell, beer retailer, 255, Spon Lane. [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]
He was married to *Mary Ann*.

1901 Census

255, Spon Lane – GEORGE INN

- [1] *William Powell* (60), publican and retail brewer, born Shropshire;
- [2] *Mary A. Powell* (59), wife, manageress, born Shropshire;
- [3] *Mary A. F. Powell* (20), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich:

William Powell died in 1907.

Mrs. *Mary Ann Powell*, beer retailer, 255, Spon Lane. [1908]

1911 Census

Spon Lane – GEORGE INN

- [1] *Mary Ann Powell* (68), widow, manager, born Wellington, Shropshire;
- [2] *Mary Ann Florence Willis* (31), daughter, married 1 year, assists in bar, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *James Willis* (33), son in law, machine hand, nut and bolt trade, born Smethwick;
- [4] *Alice Monk* (32), domestic servant, born Birmingham:

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 9th March 1912.

The license renewal was refused on 13th June 1912.

The license was extinguished on 30th June 1912.

GEORGE +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Edwin Steventon [] - **1871**);
Elizabeth Edwards (**1871** - []

GEORGE AND DRAGON

47, Barton Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

James Simcox, Barton Street, West Bromwich

Sarah Bell, Boulton Road, West Bromwich

North Worcestershire Breweries Ltd. [1898], [1900]

Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. (acquired in 1909) [1910]

LICENSEES

Joseph Elwell [1881] – **1882**);

Job Hawkes (**1882 – 1886**);

Mrs. Elizabeth Hawkes (**1886 – 1892**);

James Hawkes (**1892 – 1902**);

Robert Dawson (**1902**);

Israel Kinsell (**1902 – 1903**);

Thomas Scriven (**1903 – 1904**);

Frederick Charles Small (**1904 – 1905**);

Samuel Tate (**1905 – 1906**);

George Withers (**1906 – 1916**);

Albert Edward Hall (**1916 – 1920**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It was originally called the WELLINGTON.

The name was changed to GEORGE AND DRAGON in the 1880's.

1881 Census

47, Barton Street – public house

[1] *Joseph Elwell* (44), publican, born Handsworth;

[2] *Elizabeth Elwell* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Sarah E. Elwell* (14), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Job Hawkes was married to *Elizabeth*.

He died in 1886.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hawkes, beer retailer, 47, Barton Street. [1888], [1889], [1892]

James Hawkes, beer retailer, 47, Barton Street. [1896]

West Bromwich Weekly News 22/9/1900

“Mr. J. S. Sharpe made an application for permission for alterations to be carried out at the GEORGE AND DRAGON INN, Barton Street, West Bromwich, belonging to North Worcestershire Breweries Company

Mr. Field intimated that the justices would grant the application on condition that a separate out-door department would be provided.”

1901 Census

47, Barton Street

- [1] *James Hawkes* (52), holloware turner and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Hawkes* (55), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary A. Hawkes* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Alfred Hawkes* (12), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Nellie Hawkes* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Charlotte Whitehouse* (3), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Elsie Whitehouse* (1), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

Frederick Charles Small was fined £1 and 12s 6d costs, on 29th December 1904, for selling to a child.

1911 Census

47, Barton Street

- [1] *George Withers* (40), innkeeper, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Annie E. Withers* (40), wife, married 15 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Hetty Heyes* (18), general servant, born Oldbury:

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 13th March 1919.

The renewal was refused on 28th May 1919.

The license was extinguished on 6th November 1920.

GLOBE

89, Holloway Bank, (Wednesbury Bridge), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

J. Jones, Holloway Bank, West Bromwich
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1897]
The Highgate (Walsall) Brewery Co Ltd. [1901]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. (acquired in 1939)

LICENSEES

John Jones [1855] – [1868]
Joseph Leigh [1870] – **1871**;
Hugh Williams (**1871** – [1873])
John Jones [1873]
Sarah A Jones [1881]
James Rigby [1888] – [1889]
William Woodward [1891] – **1895**;
George Cockayne (**1895** – **1897**);
John Baker (**1897** – **1900**);
William Harry Hadley (**1900** – **1901**);
Joseph Baker (**1901** – **1908**);
Samuel Tongue (**1908** – **1922**);
Harry Faulkner (**1922** – **1930**);
Leonard Woodcock (**1930** – **1931**);
Thomas Alfred Tarry (**1931** – **1934**);
Isaac Pinner (**1934** – **1936**);
Baden Powell Whitehouse (**1936** – **1937**);
Francis George Wardle (**1937** – **1939**);
Albert Ridgway (**1939** – **1943**);
George Jones (**1943** – [])

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It had a six-day license.

John Jones, beer retailer, Hill Top. [1865]

Wednesbury Herald 20/1/1881

“On Tuesday, Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, held an inquest at the GLOBE INN, Hill Top, West Bromwich, on the body of James Deeley (87), who had lived with his son, at 50, Holloway Bank. The evidence showed that on Friday last, the deceased called at the above named public house for the purpose of warming himself, and having some liquor. He sat by the fire and went to sleep, and in a short time began to vomit, and on being taken home he expired shortly afterwards. A verdict of Died from cold and exposure was returned.”

1881 Census

89, Holloway Bank

- [1] Sarah A. Jones (33), unmarried, publican, born Darlaston;
- [2] Emma Jones (25), sister, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Harriette Jones (23), sister, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Elizabeth Holyhead (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 24/12/1881

“On the same day [Monday] an inquest was held by Mr. Hooper, at the GLOBE INN, Hill Top, respecting the death of a male child, the illegitimate son of Jane Harper, of 23, New Street. The coroner explained that the inquest was necessary because Mr. Sansome’s assistant was called to see the child, and not being a qualified surgeon he could not give a certificate. The jury returned a verdict of Natural Causes.”

J. Baker issued tokens from here.

An inquest was held here in January 1876 on Enoch Horton (35), colliery engineer, killed at the Brick House Pit, Great Bridge.

1891 Census

Holloway Bank – GLOBE INN

- [1] William Woodward (44), publican, born Warwickshire;
 - [2] Emily Woodward (39), wife, born Alderminster, Worcestershire;
 - [3] John Woodward (13), son, born Warrington;
 - [4] Arthur Woodward (12), son, scholar, born Warrington;
 - [5] Emily Woodward (9), daughter, scholar, born Warrington;
 - [6] Arthur Woodward (7), son, scholar, born Walsall;
 - [7] Agnes Pearson (29), relative, born Alderminster, Worcestershire:
- [Two sons named Arthur?]

Wednesbury Herald 18/5/1895

“On Friday afternoon last week, Mr. F. W. Topham held an inquest at the GLOBE INN, Holloway Bank, touching the death of George Lowe (13), of Holloway Bank. On Wednesday the deceased was playing at football on land near the railway, and subsequently in crossing the line he was knocked down and killed by an express. The railway officials stated that they warned several boys on the same evening not to trespass on the railway. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 30/6/1900

“Job Whitehouse (22) of Hill Top, West Bromwich, was charged with being disorderly and refusing to quit the licensed premises of the GLOBE INN, Holloway Bank, Hill Top, on the 16th inst, and also with assaulting the landlord *William Alexander* (sic) *Hadley*.

Mr. C. N. Wight, of Wolverhampton, appeared to prosecute, and explained that on the afternoon in question defendant visited the public house. Complainant had refused to supply defendant since Christmas last, and on this occasion requested him to leave. This he declined to do, and complainant then tried to eject him, but in the struggle, defendant assaulted him. They both fell to the ground, and defendant struck the landlord in the mouth and kicked him on the legs.

Defendant was fined £1 16s 0d including costs, or five weeks imprisonment in default.”

1911 Census

89, Holloway Bank – GLOBE INN

- [1] Samuel Tongue (34), manager, born Brownhills;
- [2] Maria Tongue (33), wife, married 10 years, born Brownhills;
- [3] Jessie Tongue (9), daughter, born Brownhills;
- [4] Doris Freda Tongue (3 months), daughter, born Wednesbury;
- [5] Annie Maria Cooper (17), barmaid, born Walsall Wood:

Thomas Alfred Tarry was fined £1 plus £5 5s 0d special costs, on 25th June 1934, for supplying intoxicating liquor otherwise than during permitted hours.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

A seven-day license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

[1982]

Closed
Demolished



GLOBE

46, New Street / Norbury Road, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Dyke
Samuel Woodhall Ltd.
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1938]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

George Millward [1861]
John Field [1864] – [1865]
Joseph Leigh [1868]
John Kenlett [1869] manager
Thomas Dyke [1876] – **1891**);
John Brown (**1891 – 1898**);
Edward Arnold [1900] ?
Thomas Fowler Spencer (**1898 – 1901**);
John Pugh (**1901 – 1902**);
Titus Stanley Wood (**1902**);
Robert Etterley (**1902**);
John Harper (**1902 – 1904**);
Samuel Standley (**1904 – 1914**);
Mrs. Jane Standley (**1914 – 1931**);
William Walter Norris (**1931 – 1933**);
Walter James Mann (**1933 – 1935**);
William John Evans (**1935 – 1939**);
George Cope (**1939 – []**)
Paul Shaw [1986]
Richard Fitzgerald [1992] – [1993]

NOTES

STRUGGLER [1861], [1864], [1865], [1871]
STRUGGLERS INN [1868], [1870]
STRUGGLING MAN [1888], [1889]

The name was changed to GLOBE. [1881], [1900]

John Field, beer retailer, New Street, Hill Top. [1864]

Dudley Herald 22/5/1869

“*John Kenlett*, manager STRUGGLER INN, New Street, Hill Top, Wednesbury was fined £2 and costs for being drunk and riotous in charge of a public house.”

Dudley Herald 5/11/1870

“*Joseph Leigh*, STRUGGLERS INN, New Street, Hill Top, West Bromwich. To be sold by auction, all that valuable old licensed public house and premises known by the sign of the STRUGGLERS INN The premises comprise front tap room, front smoke room, sitting room, bar, large club and store room, 2 good chambers, 2 excellent cellars, cooking kitchen, brewhouse, butcher’s slaughterhouse, 4 stalled stable, coach house and store room over, with carriage drive and pair of folding doors and other outbuildings, and is well supplied with hard and soft water.....”

Thomas Dyke was fined 40s and costs for permitting drunkenness, during the year ending 30th August 1876.

1881 Census

46, New Street – GLOBE INN

- [1] *Thomas Dyke* (43), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Dyke* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary A. Dyke* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Dyke* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Laura Dyke* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice Dyke* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Christelena Dyke* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *William Dyke* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Thomas Dyke* (81), father, annuitant, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Mary A. Dyke* (76), mother, annuitant, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Isaac Thompson* (17), lodger, labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [12] *George A. Ward* (24), lodger, bricklayer, born West Bromwich;
- [13] *George Wheatly* (23), lodger, puddler, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Dyke was fined 20s and costs and his license was endorsed, on 11th July 1889, for keeping open during prohibited hours.

1891 Census

46, New Street – GLOBE INN

- [1] *Thomas Dyke* (53), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Dyke* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary A. Starkie* (25), daughter, married, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah French* (23), daughter, married, dressmaker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Laura A. Dyke* (20), daughter, dressmaker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Crestelina A. Dyke* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Edward W. Dyke* (12), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Thomas Dyke* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *William T. Starkie* (2), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *William M. French* (28), son in law, mechanic, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Laura French* (1), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [12] *Henry French* (1 month), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [13] *Thomas Williamson* (59), lodger, coal miner, born Whitehill, Leicestershire;
- [14] *John Lloyd* (58), lodger, coal miner, born Madeley, Shropshire;
- [15] *Mary A. Lloyd* (12), lodger, born West Bromwich;
- [16] *John Lloyd* (21), lodger, moulder, born West Bromwich:

Edward Arnold, beer retailer, 46, New Street. [1900]

West Bromwich Weekly News 27/1/1900

“*Thomas Fowler Spencer*, and his wife *Annie Spencer*, of the GLOBE INN, New Street, Hill Top, were summoned, the former for adulterating a quantity of rum, which on analysis was found to be 30.3 degrees under proof, and the latter with supplying the liquor on December 6th to an assistant inspector, under the Food and Drugs Act.- Mr. James Clark, who defended, urged that Mrs. Spencer sold the rum in question by mistake. It had been adulterated by Mr. *Spencer* for his own use, and had been inadvertently left in the bar. The defendants were each fined 40s and £1 4s 3d costs.”

1901 Census

46, New Street

[1] *John Pugh* (49), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Harrit Pugh* (48), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Julia Webster* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

John Pugh – check also OAK TAVERN.

Chronicle for West Bromwich and Oldbury 1/4/1910

“Much amusement was caused during the hearing of a case at West Bromwich Police Court yesterday, in which, *Samuel Standley*, licensee of the GLOBE INN, New Street, Hill Top was the defendant in an action brought by a moulder named *Arthur Deakin*, of 217, Dial Lane, Hill Top, for the recovery of a pigeon alleged to have been taken from him by the defendant.

Mr. C. H. Darby appeared for *Standley*.

Prosecutor stated that he was a pigeon fancier, and on the 10th inst, he was taking the bird out for the purpose of flying it when, nearing Black Lake, he met the defendant, who said, ‘Where are you going with that?’ Witness said, ‘I was going down here to fly him.’ Thereupon defendant said, ‘Let me have a look at him.’ Immediately complainant opened his hand and the bird was examined by *Standley*, who said, ‘This is mine, it’s a chequer hen. I lost her twelve months ago, it’s about 13 years old.’ ‘It’s a cock, and only about nine months old,’ replied witness, ‘and it belongs to me.’ Nevertheless defendant refused to hand it back, and ultimately took it home. A complaint was then made by *Deakin* to the police, and on Tuesday evening, along with a policeman, he identified the bird as his when in the pen amongst a number of other birds.

Replying to Mr. Darby witness denied that he purchased it from Oldbury, but he did say he had had it from Newtown, Great Bridge, off the breeder.

By Mr. Darby: Did he tell you he won a diploma as first prize at Jersey with the pigeon?

Witness: He did say that but they are all lies.

The chairman: Have you got the bird here?

Defendant: Yes, sir.

The bird was handed to the magistrates and a little discussion took place as to whether the bird was a hen or a cock, and whether it was 13 years or 9 months, but the opinion prevailed that the bird was not 13 years, but it was rather difficult to say whether it was a hen or a cock.

Mr. Withers: That bird’s a cock. (laughter)

William Hicks, of Grout Street, recognised the bird as the one he changed with complainant some four months ago, and would now be about nine months old.

Mr. Bywater: Is that bird a hen or a cock?

Hicks: It’s a cock.

Mr. Field: How do you know?

Witness: I can tell by its head.

The pigeon was again handed round, and the comments of the Bench caused much amusement. Mr. Darby said it resolved itself into this. If the bird was a hen then the defendant should have it, and if it was a cock then complainant should have it. Mr. Darby then sent for an accountant who was in his office, and who had been formerly secretary to the National Homing Union.

Charles Harrison, the gentleman in question, said there was no doubt it was a hen, and it was over three years old, but he would not be sure.

Another little discussion took place, and it was ultimately decided to send for a well known pigeon fancier, Mr. *George Perkins Jr.* When Mr. Perkins came he told the Bench his opinion and that of his father that the bird was a hen, but not 12 months old. At this a smile went over the face of the defendant and the complainant.

‘There’s no doubt whatever about it being a hen?’ asked the solicitor for the defence.

‘No doubt whatever.’ said Mr. Perkins.

The complainant then produced another hen, which he said the bird in question had mated with, and asked Mr. Parkes to put the bird into it.

This he did, and to the astonishment of the defendant said, ‘It’s a cock, I’ve been deceived for once.’

A fleeting smile passed over the face of the complainant upon hearing this remark, and Mr. Perkins then said there was no doubt that it was a cock.

Mr. Darby: Well, on that I think my client must pay the costs and give the bird to complainant.

Mr. Field: That’s very fair of you.

The case was ultimately dismissed on the payment of costs by the defendant, who gave the bird to its rightful owner.”

1911 Census

46, New Street – The GLOBE INN

[1] *Samuel Standley* (50), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Jane Standley* (46), wife, married 25 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Standley* (24), son, electrical wireman, born Balmain, Sydney, NSW, Australia:

Samuel Standley died in 1914.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

It closed in 2010.

It was damaged by arsonists in January 2011.

Demolished [2012]



1996



2007



2008

GLOBE

27, Reform Street / Park Street, (Overend), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Courage Ltd. [1986]
Enterprise Inns

LICENSEES

Thomas Roberts [1861] – [1870]
Benjamin Roberts [1871] – [1873]
Christopher Mountford [1881] – [1892]
William I Bassett [1896] – [1900]
William Darby [1901] – [1908]
Frederick Udall [1912] – **1929**;
Mary Ann Udall (**1929 – 1930**);
George Baddeley (**1930 – 1940**);
John Thomas Franklin (**1940 – 1947**);
Mrs. Sarah Ann Franklin (**1947 – 1949**);
Albert Richard Bolton (**1949 – 1952**);
Thomas Hawley Jackson (**1952 – 1956**);
Wilfred Lawrence Garrod (**1956 – 1957**);
Richard Albert Harrison (**1957 – []**)
Kevin Woods (**1992 – [1994]**)
John James [2012]



1986



2006

NOTES

It was the headquarters of West Bromwich Homing Society.

Thomas Roberts, beer retailer, Reform Street. [1861], [1864], [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

Reform Street

[1] *Benjamin Roberts* (57), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Ann Roberts* (59), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Mary A. Aston* (29), visitor, dress maker, born West Bromwich:

An inquest was held here in 1872.

Midland Counties Evening Express 27/2/1875

“William Matthews, a hawker, of Leicester, was charged with attempting to commit suicide. On Wednesday morning last, the defendant was found to be madly intoxicated at the GLOBE INN, Overend. He had a knife in his hand when a police officer entered the place and was trying to cut his throat It was shown that the defendant was suffering from delirium tremens; and he was fined 10s and costs, or 14 days imprisonment. The fine was not paid.”

1881 Census

27, Reform Street – GLOBE INN

[1] *Christopher Mountford* (47), retail brewer, born Shellsley, Worcestershire;

[2] *Mary Mountford* (41), wife, born Castle Morton, Worcestershire;

[3] *William Parkes* (18), assistant brewer, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Jane Mumford* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 9/2/1884

“An inquest was held at the GLOBE INN, Reform Street, West Bromwich, on Monday, before Mr. E. Hooper (Coroner), on the body of James Welsh (12), a school boy, of No.4 Herbert Street, who committed suicide on Friday morning by hanging himself.

Phoebe Welsh, mother of the deceased, said he had always enjoyed good health, with the exception that about 12 months ago he had a fit caused by a blow on the head from a stone. He had been attending Queen Street Board Schools between four and five years. She had been very well satisfied with the progress he had made. On Thursday night, one of the boys who attended the school came and inquired how many half days witness had kept the deceased at home from school that week. The lad was in the house at the time, and she turned to him and said, ‘Now Jimmy, tell the truth.’ In reply deceased said, ‘Thou have not kept me away, mother.’ The boy from the school said deceased had been absent four half-days that week. Deceased rose at his usual time on Friday morning, and his little brother went down sometime afterwards. When he got on the stairs he called out, ‘Mother our Jimmy is hanging up.’ Witness immediately ran down stairs, and found deceased hanging by a string from a staple in the ceiling of the room. He had moved the table, and placed a basket upon a chair to get up. The basket was sideways, as if it had been kicked. She cut the body down. Deceased was quite warm.

The Coroner asked if the deceased had been troubled about his schooling at all.

Witness replied that he had been very ‘mithered’ about his lessons on the Thursday night. He said, ‘Mother, it is very hard what Mr. Cotterell (senior assistant master) puts me’, and also added, ‘He is very strict with me, and gave me a slap on the ear the other day.’ She went to the school on one occasion and saw Mr. Cotterell, and asked that the lad should be let off. The deceased afterwards told her that Mr. Perkins (headmaster) said if he had been in at the time he should have put her out of the school. She never saw any marks on the boy to indicate that he had been badly beaten, and she was satisfied that it was nothing very serious. Deceased passed the fourth and fifth standards, and was preparing for the sixth.

Ellen Welsh (15), sister to the deceased, deposed that she slept in the same room with him on the Thursday night. About three o’clock on Friday morning she heard him muttering a great deal about his schooling.

The Coroner: What did he say?

Witness: He said he could not pass his examination.

What were his words?

‘Oh Master I cannot pass this examination; it is too much for me.

In reply to further questions witness said deceased had never told her that he had been beaten at school, but he had given the master a very good character.

Thomas Perkins, headmaster of Queen Street Board School, which the lad had attended, deposed that he had known the deceased for a period of seven years. He was not a bright lad, and witness had occasion several times to punish him, but he had lately refused to do so as it was useless, and he had told his mother that she must do it. Deceased had been preparing for examination for the fifth standard, but no pressure had been put upon him to get him to pass, more than setting him to do the ordinary work which the other lads had done. He had never heard before that Mr. Cotterell had punished the deceased. No one except himself had a right to do so.

The Coroner: I should strongly advise you to make some enquires about it. I certainly cannot allow this sort of thing to pass, and shall communicate with the School Board.

Mr. Perkins: I quite understand.

Coroner: What time did leave school on Thursday?

He was not there on Thursday afternoon. That was why the messenger was sent. He was a good and quick reader, but not a good arithemetician, and he was a decided truant.

A Juror: Two of my children are often complaining that the teachers take up broken slates and rap their fingers. It is carried on a great deal at these schools.

The Coroner: Are you speaking of the same school?

No, I am speaking of the Trinity School, but I have heard the same thing about other schools.

Another Juror said he could fully endorse this, it was carried on pretty generally; and a third remarked that a boy of his said the master did not do it; but it was always the teachers.

Several other Jurors expressed similar sentiments, and requested the Coroner to communicate with the School Board, which he promised to do, adding that he should make representations not about one particular school, but the whole of them.

The jury then returned a verdict that the deceased died from hanging and strangulation, but as to what state of mind he was in at the time there was no evidence to show.”

[A question was asked in the House of Commons regarding this case.]

1891 Census

27, Reform Street – GLOBE INN

[1] *Christopher Mountford* (57), licensed victualler, born Great Shelsley, Worcestershire;

[2] *Mary Mountford* (51), wife, born Birts Morton, Herefordshire;

[3] *Mary Annie Birch;ey* (33), niece, born Rushton, Shropshire;

[4] *Jane Landor* (25), barmaid, born Kinver;

[5] *Jane Hunt* (24), general servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/5/1900

“On Wednesday night a dinner was held at the GLOBE HOTEL, Reform Street, West Bromwich, for the purpose of celebrating the 40th anniversary of the opening of the ‘Loyal Artisan’ Lodge, Number 1800, of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, Manchester Unity An excellent repast was laid upon the table by the host (*Mr. W. I. Bassett*) to which full justice was done.”

1901 Census

27, Reform Street – GLOBE INN

[1] *William Darby* (30), publican, born Oldbury;

[2] *Lizzie Darby* (27), wife, born Birmingham;

[3] *Martha A. Darby* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *William Darby* (4), son, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Annie Millward* (22), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

William Darby married firstly *Lizzie Pittam* in 1894. She died in 1920.

He married secondly *Mary Harmon* in 1922.

He died in 1929.

See also PLUMBERS ARMS, Hargate Lane.

1911 Census

27, Reform Street – The GLOBE

[1] *Frederick Udall* (33), hotel manager, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Ann Udall* (33), wife, married 9 years, assisting in business, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Doris May Udall* (20 months), daughter,

[4] *Ann Maria Woodward* (41), widow, relative, assisting in business,

[5] *Florence Cooksey* (21), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

George Baddeley = *George Badderley*

John Thomas Franklin was married to *Sarah Ann*.

He died in 1947.

[2014]



2014

GLOBE

Walsall Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Check Reform Street.

Smethwick Telephone, 14/4/1884

“A large meeting of miners held at the GLOBE INN, Walsall Street, West Bromwich on Wednesday [11/6].....”

- They were objecting to the Wages Board.

GOLD CUP

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Mason [1861]

NOTES

Check GOLDEN CUP, Cross Street.

GOLDEN CROSS

25, St. Michael's Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Bass and Co., Burton on Trent
Thomas Spencer, High Street, West Bromwich
Birmingham Breweries Ltd. [1897]
Rushton's Brewery Ltd. [1902]
Ansells Ltd. [1923]
Admiral Taverns

LICENSEES

William McKenley [1868] – [1881]
Francis Wilson [1888] – **1893**;
Sarah Ann (Clark) Parker (**1893**);
John Arthur Spencer (**1893 – 1907**);
Alfred Cottrell [1900] – [1901] manager?
William Fradgley (**1907 – 1909**);
Arthur Wright (**1909 – 1922**);
Albert Slim (**1922 – 1925**);
Mrs. Emma Slim (**1925 – 1934**);
Harry Samuel Hancock (**1934 – 1938**);
Edward Lloyd (**1938 – 1940**);
William Allen Phillips (**1940 – 1944**);
Clement John Evans (**1944 – 1945**);
Percy Thomas Brindley (**1945 – 1950**);
Charles Stephen Eccles (**1950 – 1954**);
Donald Tudor Millar (**1954 – 1956**);
Harold Watts (**1956 – 1957**);
Thomas Cemm (**1957**);
George Alder Oakley (**1957 – []**)
Paul Hissey [2008]
Steve Flood [2012]

NOTES

GOLDEN CROSS HOTEL [1911]

[1867]

Jack Harvey sold hot potatoes outside.

William McKenley, beer retailer, St. Michael's Street. [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

St. Michaels Street – GOLDEN CROSS

- [1] Charles McKenley (54), coal miner, born Gloucester;
- [2] Louisa McKenly (52), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William McKenley* (29), son, unmarried, licensed victualler, born Rowley Regis;
- [4] Joseph McKenley (22), son, barman, born Oldbury;
- [5] Jane McKenley (21), daughter, barmaid, born Oldbury;
- [6] Elizabeth McKenley (19), spinster, daughter, born Oldbury;
- [7] Selina McKenley (15), daughter, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [8] Charles McKenley (12), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [9] Maria McKenley (10), daughter, scholar, born Oldbury:

1881 Census

25, St. Michaels Street

- [1] *William McKenley* (39), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Blackheath;
- [2] Marie McKenley (20), sister, housekeeper, born Oldbury;
- [3] Jane Lifely (22), barmaid, born Bristol;
- [4] Mary Atwell (23), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 10/12/1881

“Mr. Edwin Hooper, district coroner, held an inquest at the GOLDEN CROSS INN, St. Michaels Street, on Thursday, touching the death of Enoch Lloyd (45), fitter of 41, Henley Street, Dudley, who met with an accident, while at work at Messrs. Kendrick’s in Spon Lane, on Saturday, from the effects of which he died in the District Hospital on Sunday night. Deceased was engaged in fitting a piece of piping to the main gas-pipe in one of the shops, and for that purpose stood upon a ladder which he had thoughtlessly placed against the main pipe. While twisting the piece of piping (which was about 3ft 6in long) to screw it on he caught the shaft above, which works the machinery. This had the effect of shaking the main pipe, which in turn shook the ladder and caused the deceased to fall. He alighted on a turning tool, which made a deep wound in his thigh, and was the cause of death.
Verdict – Accidental death.”

Sarah Ann Clark married Mr. *Parker* in 1893.

John Arthur Spencer was fined £4 and costs, on 17th July 1900, for three cases of permitting betting.

Alfred Cottrell = Alfred Cotterill = Alfred Cottrill

West Bromwich Weekly News 15/12/1900

“National United Order of Free Gardeners Friendly Society. The officers and members of Snowdrop lodge (West Bromwich and Smethwick district) held a special meeting on Monday night for the purpose of initiating Mr. *Alfred Cottrell*, the host of the lodge house, the GOLDEN CROSS INN, St. Michael Street.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 2/2/1901

“On Friday sennight the Lamplighters of the West Bromwich Corporation Gas Department held their annual dinner at the GOLDEN CROSS INN, St. Michaels Street. The chair was occupied by the Mayor (Councillor Chesshire) An excellent supper was provided by the host Mr. *Cotterill*, to which justice was done.....”

1901 Census

25, St. Michael Street

- [1] *Alfred Cottrill* (32), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Mary Cottrill (31), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Alfred C. Cottrill (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Mary Cottrill (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] John W. Bevan (21), barman, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Emma Nock (23), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Mary A. Hopkins (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Albert Slim was married to *Emma*.

Clement John Evans – see also HARE AND HOUNDS.

Charles Stephen Eccles – see also PRINCE OF WALES.

The name was changed to BUSBY'S in 1983.

The name was changed to CRAIC HOUSE. [2012]

The name was changed to WOODMAN CORNER. [2014]

[2012]



1986



2008



2014

GOLDEN CUP

40, Cross Street, (40, Braybrook Street), Lyng, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Griffiths Pugh, High Street, West Bromwich
George Arnold and Co. Ltd.
Arnold and Bates Ltd. [1924]
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929]

LICENSEES

John Mason [1855] – [1873]
Timothy Bridge [1888] – **1890**;
Jules Thiebert **(1890 – 1893)**;
Jeremiah Laister **(1893 – 1894)**;
Eliza Air **(1894 – 1895)**;
William Griffiths **(1895 – 1896)**;
Charles Perry **(1896 – 1906)**;
George Woodhall **(1906 – 1909)**;
William Horton **(1909 – 1911)**;
Frank Walls **(1911)**;
William Smith **(1911 – 1925)**;
Mrs. Clara Smith **(1925 – 1929)**;
Samuel Charles Kendrick **(1929 – 1932)**;
Charles Hickman **(1932 – 1936)**;
Mrs. Elizabeth Hickman **(1936 – 1937)**;
John Henry Quantick **(1937 – 1938)**;
John Absalom Robins **(1938 – 1947)**;
Gordon Whitehouse **(1947 – 1954)**;
Alfred Richard Westwood **(1954 – 1955)**;

NOTES

Braybrooke Street [1860]
Braybrook Street [1868]
40, Braybrook Street [1870], [1873], [1888], [1889], [1892], [1895]
40, Cross Street [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908], [1916], [1921]

CUP [1858], [1873]

1871 Census

Braybrook Street – GOLDEN CUP INN

- [1] John Mason (55), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Harriet Mason (53), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Caroline Jones (30), visitor, no occupation, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Maria Johnson (19), domestic servant, born Oldbury;

Charles Perry was an ex-WBA centre half. He won 3 caps for England. He died on 2nd July 1927.

1901 Census

40, Cross Street

- [1] *Charles Perry* (35), brewer and beerseller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Perry* (31), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ernest Perry* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charles Perry* (6), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Arthur A. Perry* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah A. Arnold* (28), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Louisa Rollinson* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

George Woodhall was an ex-WBA footballer.

1911 Census

40, Cross Street – GOLDEN CUP INN

- [1] *William Horton* (48), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Horton* (41), wife, married 21 years, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Helen Elizabeth Evans* (22), servant, born West Bromwich:

William Smith was married to *Clara*.
He died in 1925.

Samuel Charles Kendrick – check HEARTS OF OAK, Oldbury.

Charles Hickman was married to *Elizabeth*.

John Absalom Robins – see also PRINCE ALBERT.

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

Alfred Richard Westwood was married to *Lavinia Mary*.

A Provisional Order of Removal to premises to be erected in Thornycroft Way, Yew Tree Estate [ARCHERS] was granted on 11th March 1954, and confirmed on 7th July 1955.
The house closed at 10pm on 28th July 1955.

GOLDEN CUP

66, (42), Great Bridge Street, (Dudley Road, Swan Village), (66, Swan Village), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Rusby
Mr. Neale
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1894]

LICENSEES

Thomas Rusby [1858] – **1895**);
Thomas Henry Neale (**1895 – 1906**);
George Powell (**1906 – 1914**);
Mervyn Arnold (**1914 – 1915**);
William Thomas (**1915 – 1917**);
Mrs. Clarie Thomas (**1917 – 1922**);
Priscilla Claribel Sylvester (**1922 – 1923**);
William Holden Simeon Best (**1923 – 1934**);
Lottie Best (**1934 – 1936**);
Sidney Cooper (**1936 – 1937**);
Stanley Joseph Humpage (**1937 – 1959**);
Joseph Grice (**1959 – 1969**)
Donald Luke McLeod [c. 1972]
Gordon Richards (**1977 – 1978**):

NOTES

Dudley Road, Swan Village [1871]
42, Great Bridge Street
66, Great Bridge Street [1881], [1904], [1908], [1912], [1916]
66, Swan Village [1888], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1911]

Thomas Rusby, beer retailer, Swan Village. [1858], [1861], [1864]

1871 Census

Dudley Road, Swan Village – GOLDEN CUP INN

- [1] *Thomas Rusby* (42), licensed victualler, born Barnby upon Dow, Yorkshire;
- [2] Hannah Rusby (51), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Mary Rusby (74), mother, widow, born Conisborough, Yorkshire;
- [4] Emma Webster (22), visitor, born Wolverhampton;
- [5] Ann Johnson (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Sarah Ann Stevens (12), domestic servant, born Old Hill:

1881 Census

66, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *Thomas Rusby* (52), licensed victualler, born Barnby Dunn, Yorkshire;
- [2] Hannah Rusby (62), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Jane Hodgkins (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Mary Jane Green (20), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 25/7/1885

“West Bromwich Police Court. William Burden (29), boatman of Henry Street, West Bromwich and George James (24), Great Bridge Street were charged with stealing £2, the money of Mr. Councillor *Rusby*, licensed victualler.”
– They were remanded.

1891 Census

66, Swan Village – GOLDEN CUP INN

- [1] *Thomas Rusby* (62), licensed victualler, born Barnby Dun, Torkshire;
- [2] *Hannah Rusby* (72), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Annie Roe* (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Rollason* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Francis Hodgkiss* (15), nephew, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 24/3/1900

“West Bromwich and District Trade Association.- On Thursday evening a meeting of the committee of the above association was held at the GOLDEN CUP INN, Swan Village, West Bromwich, under the presidency of Mr. J. S. Round of Smethwick (vice president).....”

1901 Census

66, Swan Village – GOLDEN CUP INN

- [1] *Thomas Henry Neale* (42), married, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lillie Neale* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alice Neale* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Frederick Neale* (14), son, assistant in public house, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Hannah Green* (76), mother, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *James Green* (65), stepfather, unable to work, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William Clark* (18), visitor, sailor, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 29/6/1901

“West Bromwich and District Licensed Trades’ Association. A meeting of the committee of the above association was held on Friday evening, the 21st inst, at the GOLDEN CUP INN, Swan Village, West Bromwich, the President (Mr. J. S. Round) occupying the chair....”

The President moved a resolution of sympathy with Mr. Lyman in his illness, and expressed the sincere hope that he might have a speedy recovery. (Hear, hear)

Mr. Fullwood seconded the proposition, which was carried....”

Thomas H. Neale was a committee member of West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers’ Association. [1902]

Smethwick Weekly News 23/8/1902

“GOLDEN CUP INN, Swan Village, West Bromwich. Hauliers, Cab Proprietors, Furniture Removers, and others. Messrs. Thomas Harford and Son are instructed by Mr. *Neale*, who is giving up the brake business, to sell by Public Auction on the above Premises, on Tuesday, August 26th, 1902, the Live and Dead Rolling Stock....”

Wolverhampton Chronicle 1/10/1902

“At a meeting of the West Bromwich, Smethwick and District Licensed Trades Association at the GOLDEN CUP INN, Swan Village, on Wednesday night, Mr. J. S. Round presiding, a discussion took place on the subject of the war tax imposed by a number of brewers upon the tenants....”

Court ‘Alma’ (A. O. F.) met here. [1903]

1911 Census

66, Swan Village – GOLDEN CUP

[1] *George Powell* (34), licensed victualler, born Newport, Shropshire;

[2] *Mabel Powell* (31), wife, married 9 years, born Great Barr;

[3] *George Harry Powell* (8), son, born Stonnall, Staffordshire;

[4] *Eunice Powell* (7), daughter, born Tipton;

[5] *Colin Powell* (5), son, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Margery Powell* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Stanley Joseph Humpage – see also ROYAL EXCHANGE.

Joseph Grice was married to Gladys.

London Gazette 19/7/1973

“*McLeod, Donald Luke*, lorry driver formerly residing and carrying on business at The GOLDEN CUP, Swan Village Date of Filing Petition 26th June 1973.”

It closed on 5th March 1978.

GOLDEN CUP

92, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Jones, by Samuel Dunslow, High Street, West Bromwich
Garrard Brothers, Rowley Brewery, Blackheath
North Worcestershire Breweries Ltd.
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd. [1900]

LICENSEES

Edward Harrison [1871] - **1877**);
George Griffin (**1877 - 1890**);
Benjamin Spruce (**1890 - 1891**);
Henry Mason (**1891**);
John Parker (**1891 - 1892**);
Sidonia (Nicklin) Cook (**1892 - 1893**);
John Parker (**1893 - 1894**);
John O'Brien (**1894**);
William Thomas Shirley Bishop (**1894 - 1896**);
Joseph Atkins (**1896**);
William Smith (**1896 - 1900**);
Joseph James Smith (**1900**);
William Davis (**1900 - 1901**);
Joseph Evans (**1901 - 1903**);
Edwin Tee (**1903 - 1906**);
Solomon Sheldon (**1906 - 1908**);
Mary Ann (Ashworth) Biddlestone (**1908 - 1910**);
David John Griffiths (**1910**);
William Frederick Field (**1910 - 1911**);
William Henry Hammond (**1911 - 1913**);
Arthur Randle (**1913 - 1914**);
Edward Thomas Randle (**1914 - 1915**);
Alfred Crump (**1915**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

High Street – GOLDEN CUP Public House

- [1] *Edward Harrison* (34), blacksmith, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Harrison* (34), wife, born Dudley Port;
- [3] *Mary E. Harrison* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George E. Harrison* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Thomas H. Harrison* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Thomas Barker* (29), brother in law, labourer in ironworks, born Wednesbury;
- [7] *Isabella Barker* (14), sister in law, domestic servant, born Great Bridge;

Edward Harrison, beer retailer, High Street. [1872]

George Griffin, beer retailer, 92, High Street. [1888], [1889]

Sidonia Nicklin married a Mr. Cook.

1891 Census

92, High Street

[1] *John Parker* (46), publican, born Burford, Shropshire;

[2] *Lucy Parker* (44), wife, born Warboys, Huntingdonshire;

[3] *Martha Parker* (17), daughter, born Woolwich, Kent;

[4] *George Parker* (15), son, butcher, born Woolwich, Kent;

[5] *John Parker* (13), son, hosier's errand boy, born Woolwich, Kent;

[6] *Charles Parker* (7), son, scholar, born Woolwich, Kent:

John Parker, beer retailer, 92, High Street. [1892]

William Thomas Bishop, beer retailer, 92, High Street. [1896]

William Smith, beer retailer, 92, High Street. [1900]

He was fined 20s and costs, on 15th March 1897, for permitting drunkenness.

Joseph James Smith was charged costs for permitting drunkenness during the year ending 23rd August 1900.

Smethwick Weekly News 12/1/1901

“Mr. James Clark applied for the transfer of the license of the GOLDEN CUP INN, High Street, West Bromwich, to Archibald Dunn, a West Bromwich Albion football player.

In reply to Chief-superintendent Whitehurst, Dunn said he was not married, but had engaged a barmaid. He admitted that when Inspector Biddulph called at the house a few days ago he told him he was married to the barmaid, but he was under the impression that the Inspector was joking. When he discovered he was in real earnest he informed him that his former statement was untrue. He had a perfect knowledge that the barmaid was a married woman living apart from her husband, but he strongly denied that they were living together as man and wife. At the time he made the statement to the inspector he had no intention of deceiving the police.

Replying to Mr. Clark, Dunn who is a Scotchman, said he had been married, but he had recently obtained a divorce from his wife in a Scotch Court. This had been fully reported in the papers, and he thought the police knew of the fact. As a footballer, he should have to leave his house at various times and he had engaged the woman as barmaid to look after the house in his absence.

After a short consultation, Alderman Salter said the Bench were not satisfied with the application, and they would adjourn it for 14 days, in order for further enquiries to be made by the police.”

Smethwick Weekly News 26/1/1901

“Mr. J. Clark, solicitor, applied to the West Bromwich Magistrates, on Thursday, for the transfer of the license of the GOLDEN CUP INN, High Street, West Bromwich, to *Joseph Evans*. It will be remembered that a fortnight ago the Bench were asked to transfer the license to Archibald Dunn, one of the West Bromwich Albion players, but they declined to do so.

It was stated by the police that *Evans* possessed a satisfactory character. Mr. Josiah Field (assistant overseer) said he objected to the transfer of the license on account of the poor rates of the public house in question having not been paid. A sum of £2 12s 10d was owing.

Mr. Clark thought this difficulty could be surmounted.

The Magistrates Clerk (Mr. H. Jackson) said the Bench could not refuse the man the application if they were satisfied with his character, but Mr. Field might raise the point he had submitted as to the sanction of the overseers at the transfer day.

The application was then granted.”

1901 Census

92, High Street

[1] *Joseph Evans* (31), stock taker at iron foundry and public house manager, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Annie Evans* (36), wife, born Bishops Stone, Herefordshire;

[3] *Annie Evans* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Amy Taylor* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Edwin Tee, beer retailer, 92, High Street. [1904]

Solomon Sheldon, beer retailer, 92, High Street. [1908]

See also STORES.

Mary Ann Ashworth married a Mr. Biddlestone.

1911 Census

92, High Street

[1] *William Field* (40), beerhouse manager, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Florence Field* (30), wife, married 10 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Robert Field* (4), son, born West Bromwich:

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1915.

The license was extinguished on 30th September 1915.

GOLDEN CUP +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

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Smethwick Telephone 5/5/1894

“A meeting of the West Bromwich, Smethwick, Tipton and District Licensed Victuallers’ Association was held on Tuesday at the GOLDEN CUP INN, West Bromwich.”

GOLDEN LION

Hall Green Road / Westminster Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Enterprise Inns

LICENSEES

Emily Clara Dugmore **(1938)**;
Harry Philpott **(1938 - 1943)**;
John Cope **(1943 - 1950)**;
Alfred Parkes **(1950 - 1954)**;
James Leonard Hogan **(1954 - 1957)**;
Brian Anthony Dorsett **(1957 - 1959)**;
John Thomas Manley **(1959 - []**
Linda Hudson [1983]
Glen Bailey [1992]

NOTES

It opened in 1938.

It had a football team based here. [1950's]

A skittle alley was opened in 1983.

It had a pigeon club. [1992]

[2003]

Closed

It was demolished in July 2007.



1996



c. 2003

GOLDEN LION

67, (43), Witton Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Care
Millward Brothers, maltsters, Wednesbury
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1894]

LICENSEES

John Hartland [1835] – [1858]
Mrs. Ann Hartland [1860]
Henry Martin [1864] – **1871**);
Henry Field (**1871** – []
William Foley [] – **1872**);
Joseph Silvester (**1872** – []
Henry Field [1873] – [1881]
Joseph Care [1888] – **1890**);
Frederick Hereford Barker (**1890** – **1895**);
Frank Harvey (**1895**);
Ellen Forrest (**1895** – **1897**);
Hannah Grice (**1897**);
William Henry Chambers (**1897** – **1898**);
John Care (**1898** – **1899**);
James Leach (**1899**);
Mrs. Mary Leach (**1899** – **1907**);
William Edward Leach (**1907** – **1912**);
Edward Stephen Stambridge (**1912** – **1915**);
Joseph Edward Dugmore (**1915** – **1916**);
Mrs. Emily Clara Dugmore (**1916** – **1920**);
Joseph Edward Dugmore (**1920** – **1929**);
Mrs. Emily Clara Dugmore (**1929** – **1938**);

NOTES

Wittons Lane [1860]
43, Witton Lane [1881], [1889], [1896], [1900], [1904]
67, Witton Lane [1912], [1916]

John Hartland, beer retailer, Witton Lane. [1835], [1841]
He was also a builder and chartermaster.

1841 Census

Wittons Lane

- [1] *John Hartland* (45), builder, born Staffordshire;
- [2] *Ann Hartland* (45), born Staffordshire;
- [3] *Betsey Hartland* (15), born Staffordshire;
- [4] *Ann Hartland* (15), born Staffordshire;
- [5] *John Hartland* (14), born Staffordshire;
- [6] *Emma Hartland* (11), born Staffordshire;
- [7] *James N. Hartland* (9), born Staffordshire;
- [8] *Sarah Hartland* (6), born Staffordshire;
- [9] *Harriet Cottrell* (19), fs:

John Hartland was described as a builder. [1841], [1849], [1850], [1851]

1851 Census

Witton Lane

- [1] *John Hartland* (58), builder, born Gornal;
- [2] *Ann Hartland* (59), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ann Hartland* (26), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Hartland* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *James Hartland* (18), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah Hartland* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Emma Dutton* (16), servant of all work, born West Bromwich:

Henry Martin was also a plumber. [1864], [1865]

1871 Census

Wittons Lane – GOLDEN LION

- [1] *Henry Field* (40), licensed victualler, born Craberaws, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Hannah Field* (35), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Thomas Field* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Amelia Field* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ann Rushton* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 8/2/1879

“At the GOLDEN LION INN, Witton Lane, Hill Top, Mr. Edwin Hooper, held an inquest touching the death of Martha Causer, aged two years and eight months. Mary Ann Causer, the mother, stated that on the 18th January, she pored out some tea when the child pulled it over and received scalds on her arm. Mr. Sansome, surgeon, was called in on the following Monday, and on Wednesday the child was seized with bronchitis, and died on Saturday. A verdict of Accidental death was returned.”

1881 Census

43, Witton Lane – GOLDEN LION

- [1] *Henry Field* (50), licensed victualler, born Tr__knam, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Hannah Field* (44), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Thomas W. Field* (19), son, apprentice, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Amelia Field* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Robert Field* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Field* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Elizabeth Berry* (44), visitor, dress maker, born Redditch;
- [8] *Sarah A. Gooding* (18), house maid, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *George Ruell* (21), brewer, born Worcestershire:

West Bromwich Weekly News 31/12/1887

“Free Gardeners (Rescue Lodge). The members of the above lodge held their annual gathering on Tuesday at the GOLDEN LION INN, Witton Lane, Hill Top, when about 40 sat down to a good repast, part of which was provided for by gentlemen of Hill Top, to whom the members tender their best thanks for their benevolence. After the cloth was drawn, the chair was occupied by Brother J. Taylor, District Manager, and Brother G. Satchwell, Deputy District Manager, in the vice-chair.....”

Joseph Care was also a grocer and draper and general dealer. [1888]

Frederick Hereford Barker, beer retailer, 43, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1892]

1901 Census

Witton Lane – RED LION INN

[1] *Mary Leach* (40), married, manager public house, born Wolverhampton;

[2] *William Leach* (26), son, barman, born Staffordshire;

[3] *Mary Leach* (7), daughter, born Handsworth;

[4] *Emma Leach* (24), sister, domestic servant, born Oldbury:

Joseph Dugmore was married to *Emily Clare*.

He died in 1929.

Combined Provisional Grant and Ordinary Removal to Hall Green Road granted on 11th March 1937, and confirmed on 30th April 1937.

Closed

Demolished

GOLDEN LION +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Deans [1897] - **1909**

GOLDEN PHEASANT

85, New Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Lever
Sarah Lever, Hill Top
Mrs. Whitehouse, Holloway Bank
Alice Elizabeth Taylor
John Hamilton Day, Hill Top [1904]
Henry Chevalier Rigaud, Streethouse, Corkscrew Road, Surbiton, Surrey [1913]
Frank Myatt Ltd. [1921]

LICENSEES

Thomas Lever [1861] – **1882**;
Mrs. Sarah Lever (**1882 – 1884**);
William Whitehouse (**1884**);
Josiah Hadley (**1884 – 1886**);
Albert Taylor (**1886 – 1899**);
Mrs. Alice Elizabeth Taylor (**1899 – 1900**);
Albert Henry Taylor (**1900 – 1901**);
Edward Slater (**1901 – 1903**);
Walter Albert Simmonds (**1903 – 1907**);
Thomas Capsey (**1907 – 1909**);
Charles Stuart Price (**1909 – 1913**);
Joseph Statham (**1913 – 1914**);
Henry John Birkin (**1914 – 1915**);
Emily David (**1915 – 1919**);
George Henry Oakley (**1919 – 1921**);
Thomas Langford (**1921 – 1924**);
Richard Read (**1924**);
Benjamin Joseph Hill (**1924 – 1928**);
Charles Shaw (**1928 – 1932**);

NOTES

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.

Thomas Lever, beer retailer, New Street, Hill Top. [1861], [1864], [1870], [1872]

1881 Census

85, New Street – GOLDEN PHEASANT

- [1] *Thomas Lever* (69), widower, publican, born Baverstock, Wiltshire;
- [2] *Henry Lever* (31), son, carpenter and joiner, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Lever* (31), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ann Smith* (17), domestic servant, born Darlaston:

Thomas Lever died on 11th May 1882.

Wednesbury Herald 12/5/1883

“Re *Thomas Lever* Deceased. Pursuant to the Statutes 22 and 23 Victoria, cap.55, An Act to further amend the Law of Property and to Relieve Trustees. Notice Is Hereby Given, that all Creditors and Persons having any Claims or Demands upon or against the Estate of *Thomas Lever*, of the GOLDEN PHEASANT INN, Hill Top, West Bromwich, in the County of Stafford, Publican, who died on the 11th day of May 1882, and whose Will was proved in the District Registry at Lichfield of the Probate Division of Her Majesty’s High Court of Justices, on the 6th day of November 1882, by Henry Smith of Hill Top West Bromwich, Contractor: Henry Barmes, of Hill Top West Bromwich, Agent: and Samuel Harbour, of Birmingham, Shoe Manufacturer, the executors therein named.....”

1891 Census

85, New Street – GOLDEN PHEASANT

- [1] *Albert Taylor* (41), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Alice E. Taylor* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lilian B. Taylor* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lizzie M. Eardley* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Albert Taylor, beer retailer, 25, New Street, Hill Top. [1896] [Possibly a typo.]
He was married to *Alice Elizabeth*.
He died in 1899.

1901 Census

85, New Street

- [1] *Albert H. Taylor* (23), coach spring fitter, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Maria Taylor* (23), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *Gladys Taylor* (1), daughter, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Beatrice Taylor* (18), sister, domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

Walter Albert Simmonds, beer retailer, 85, New Street, Hill Top. [1904]

Thomas Capsey – check also WAGGON AND HORSES, High Street, INKERMAN COTTAGE, and KING EDWARD VII.

1911 Census

New Street, Hill Top – GOLDEN PHEASANT

- [1] *Charles Stuart Price* (27), son, unmarried, publican, born Dudley Port;
- [2] *Mary Ann Price* (64), mother, widow, born Rotherhithe, Surrey;
- [3] *Harry Edward Price* (30), son, clerk, iron foundry, born Birmingham:

Charles Stuart Price, beer retailer, 85, New Street, Hill Top. [1912]

Henry John Birkin – see also WHITE SWAN, Spon Lane.

Emily David was fined 20s and £1 3s 6d costs, on 23rd December 1915, for giving an over measure of beer.

Thomasw Langford – see also GOUGHS ARMS.

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1932.

The license renewal was refused on 15th June 1932.

The license was extinguished on 7th November 1932.

GOUGH'S ARMS

36, Jowetts Lane / Witton Lane / Coles Lane, (Church Lane), (Four Ways), Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

S. Partridge, Perry Street, West Bromwich
John Phillips, Hill Top, West Bromwich
William Cooper
Atkinsons Ltd. [1899], [1905]
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd. [1929]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1986]
Marstons PLC

LICENSEES

Samuel Bennett [1849] – [1861]
T Bennett [1858]
John Partridge [1864] – **1871**;
David Evan Williams (**1871** – [1873])
Benjamin Harley [1881]
Henry Albert Hardman [1888] – **1891**;
Mary Ann (Phillips) Mitchell (**1891** – **1892**);
William Ernest Mitchell (**1892** – **1895**);
William Cooper (**1895** – **1899**);
William Henry Bowater (**1899** – **1901**);
Daniel Wilkes (**1901** – **1907**);
Joseph Smith (**1907** – **1912**);
Mrs. Edith Smith (**1912** – **1913**);
Ernest William Crump (**1913** – **1914**);
Arthur Gould (**1914** – **1922**);
Henry Charles Drewry (**1922** – **1923**);
James Heath (**1923** – **1924**);
Thomas Langford (**1924** – **1929**);
Albert Wright (**1929** – **1937**);
George Norris (**1937** – **1939**);
Harry Priest (**1939** – **1960**);
William Henry Ingram (**1960** – [])
Arthur Stretton (**1984** – [])
Terry Spike [1986]
Trevor Wallace [1992]

NOTES

Church Lane [1849], [1850]
Jowetts Lane [1900], [2006]
36, Jowetts Lane [1896], [1904]
Witton Lane [1858], [1908], [1912]



1986



2005



2014

1861 Census

Hateley Heath – Public House

- [1] *Samuel Bennett* (59), victualler, born Brierley Hill;
- [2] *Eleanor Bennett* (59), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Thomas Jones* (13), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Martha Jones* (10), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

1871 Censusx

Hateley Heath – GOUGHS ARMS

- [1] *John Partridge* (55), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Partridge* (50), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary Partridge* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Partridge* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Partridge* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Partridge* (12), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Martha Granger* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich;



Wednesbury Herald 11/1/1879

“John Fenn was charged with being disorderly in the GOFF’S ARMS, Hateley Heath.....”

Wednesbury Herald 5/7/1879

“An inquest was held on Monday afternoon, at the GOUGHS ARMS, Hateley Heath, Wednesbury, before Edwin Hooper, Esq, district coroner, relative to the death of Thomas Danks, aged three years and eight months.

On Saturday afternoon, the deceased went into the Mill Field levelling, Hateley Heath, belonging to the Patent Shaft and Axle-tree Company, and when near the water engine, the crank hit him on the head, killing him instantaneously.

The poor little fellow’s body was afterwards found in a water pit.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental death.”

Wednesbury Herald 2/10/1880

“On Tuesday morning Mr. Edwin Hooper (South Staffordshire Coroner) held an inquiry at the GOUGH’S ARMS INN, Witton Road, Hateley Heath, near Wednesbury, relative to the death of Thomas Horgill (13), who was killed under shocking circumstances at Messrs. Firmstone’s furnaces, Crookhay.

Edward Horgill, the father of the deceased, said his son was employed by Mr. Keen as an errand boy, and on Friday he was authorised to accompany some men to Messrs. Firmstone’s works for the purpose of assisting in repairing the boilers. In the afternoon he heard of his death.

The Coroner: Do you blame anyone?

Witness: I certainly think that the place where my son was killed ought to be fenced.

Henry Clark (14) said that on Friday afternoon, at two o’clock, he went to the bottom of the incline which proceeded to the furnaces, and without the permission of the ‘filler’ he got into the wagon which was about to be drawn up the incline. Upon the engine causing the wagon to move deceased attempted to jump into the wagon, and in doing so, he became wedged between the wagon and a wall which was in close proximity to the incline. The boy was shockingly crushed by the moving wagon, and he saw blood flow from his mouth. He afterwards slipped, and the side of the wagon severed his head from the body. He raised an alarm and the wagon was stopped.

In reply to the Coroner witness said he had no business in the wagon, and also that he got in without even the knowledge of the filler. There was no person to prevent boys from getting into the wagons.

The Coroner: Have you ever been up to the furnaces before?

Witness: No, sir.

What did you wish to go up for?

I was anxious to see what was to be seen; but after this I shall never attempt to go up it again.

In reply to the jury, witness said he had heard of other boys going up to the furnace in the wagon.

The Coroner asked for a sketch of the place where the accident had occurred, and the manager of the works said he had not thought it necessary to bring one.

The Coroner said he was afraid that in the present case due care had not been taken to prevent the accident. He regretted to say that several similar accidents had taken place in his district, and he was desirous of it being made known that if any more of such accidents occurred he should deem it his duty to direct the jury to return a verdict of manslaughter against the owners for not doing their duty in preventing such accidents from taking place. In the present case no precautions appeared to have been taken, the consequence being that a boy had lost his life.

The manager: But he was a trespasser.

The Coroner (continuing) said the deceased was not a trespasser, as he was employed on the premises. At the same time he must remind the representative of the firm that it was his duty to prevent, as far as possible, trespassers from being injured.

The manager: Everything possible has been done to prevent accidents from taking place. The 'filler' is a man to prevent boys from getting on to the wagons.

The Coroner: I am astonished that a man has not been appointed to look after the unchaining arrangements, and to prevent persons from interfering with them. I tell you plainly that I will not allow life to be taken away in this way, and to be passed over lightly. I consider in the present instance great negligence has been displayed, and I know Mr. Firmstone will not approve of his work being conducted in such a way.

The manager: We have done everything possible to drive the boys away from the place, but all seems to be of no avail.

The Coroner: You should summon persons found trespassing to appear before the magistrates.

The manager: We have not summoned any of them although the boys have been a great nuisance to us.

The Coroner: If a similar case occurs I shall certainly direct the jury to find a verdict of manslaughter. This boy's life had been thrown away, and if I were the parent I would endeavour to obtain good compensation for the loss sustained. I now begin to see the advantages to be derived from the Employers' Liability Act, and I certainly think that it will be advisable for employers to adopt proper means to prevent accidents from taking place.

The manager: I think you are mistaken in saying that great negligence has been displayed in the present case.

The Coroner: I will not allow you to contradict me. I, as judge of this Court, say that great negligence has been displayed in not employing a person to prevent such an occurrence.

William Davies, the 'filler', said he could not prevent boys from getting on to the waggon owing to his attention being called to other work. On the day of the accident he did not know that any boys were in the wagon.

The Coroner said he should make it his business to see Mr. Firmstone with reference to the matter, for people's lives were not to be trifled with.

The manager would see that a man was employed to look after the wagons.

The Coroner having summed up, the jury returned a verdict of Accidental death. They also recommended that a man be permanently employed to attend to the wagons, and also that boys be summoned to appear before the magistrates for trespassing on the works.

The manager said he would see that the recommendations of the jury were carried out.

Two ratepayers named Bird and Cease who failed to put in an appearance as jurymen, were each fined 40s by the Coroner."

Wednesbury Herald 8/1/1881

"Mary Ann Moore, a married woman, residing at Hateley Heath, was summoned for refusing to quit the GOUGH'S ARMS INN, Hateley Heath, when requested to do so.

Benjamin Harley, the landlord, said on the 20th ult, the defendant came to his house and created a serious disturbance, and upon being requested to quit, she refused to do so.

Defendant said her husband was in the habit of going to the public house for the purpose of gambling, and on the day in question she simply went to the house and asked him to go home.

The Bench dismissed the case."

1881 Census

Hateley Heath – GOUGH'S ARMS

[1] *Benjamin Harley* (39), licensed victualler, born Tipton;

[2] *Ann Harley* (39), wife, born Tipton;

[3] *John T. Harley* (15), son, born Tipton;

[4] *Herbert Harley* (14), son, scholar, born Tipton;

[5] *Priscilla Harley* (10), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;

[6] *Sarah Palmer* (21), domestic servant, born Tipton:

1891 Census

Hateley Heath – GOUGH ARMS

- [1] *Henry A. Hardman* (34), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Ellen Hardman* (33), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Henry R. Hardman* (9), son, scholar, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Louisa C. Hardman* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Rebecca Grey* (17), general servant, born Bilston:

Smethwick Telephone 18/5/1895

“GOUGHS ARMS, Four Ways, Hateley Heath, bottom of Coles Lane, off Hill Top, West Bromwich Mr. Wm. Hackett will Sell By Auction on Wednesday next the superior Household Furniture, Public House Fixtures, Fittings, Trade Effects, Brewing Plant &c Excellent Brewing Plant comprising Oval Mash Tub with false bottom, Copper Boiler, Iron Boiler, Mash Rule, Wort Spout, Wort Pump, Refrigerator, Hop Sieve, Malt Hopper.....”

William Cooper was also a shopkeeper. [1900]

Black Country Bugle

‘When Daniel Willies Was Gaffer At The Gough’s Arms’

“The pub was rebuilt thirty or forty years ago, and is today a sprawling establishment on the corner of Coles Lane and Witton Lane *Dan Willies* later entered business in Princes End, where he took over his mother’s drapery shop. This was managed by his wife (Annie), whilst he worked as a charge hand at the Patent Shaft. He was also well known in the area as a pigeon fancier and a breeder of prize poultry. He passed away in 1941.”

[Was this Daniel Wilkes?]

1911 Census

Hateley Heath – GOUGHS ARMS

- [1] *Joseph Smith* (34), publican, born Ireland;
- [2] *Edith Smith* (30), wife, married 13 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Edith Smith Jr.* (12), daughter, school, born Staffordshire;
- [4] *Doris Smith* (8), daughter, school, born Staffordshire:

It was sold at auction for £2,152 on 14th October 1929.

Bilston and Willenhall Times 2/2/1946

“West Bromwich Discussion Group. Eight questions were asked and discussed by members of No.1 Discussion Group, at the GOUGHS ARMS, Jowetts Lane, West Bromwich, on Friday last. Three members acted as a brains trust, with Mr. G. Johnson (chairman) as question master.....”

In March 1951, floral tributes were sent to the funeral of Mr. J. E. Crozier, sub-postmaster at Hateley Heath, from the bottom Smoke Room, GOUGHS ARMS.

It had a football team.

Closed

Demolished

Its replacement was built at the junction of Witton Lane and Coles Lane.

[1982]

[2014]

GRAND JUNCTION

Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

S Davies [1864] – [1865]

GRAPES

10, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Benjamin Field, Hawkes Lane, West Bromwich
Mrs. Esther Field, Hawkes Lane, West Bromwich
Mrs. Louisa Wearing, Carters Green, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Samuel Wilson [] - **1871**);
Samuel Johns (**1871 - 1875**);
Benjamin Fones (**1875 - 1880**);
Alfred Smith (**1880 - 1883**);
William Clansey Jnr. (**1883 - 1891**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Wesley (**1891 - 1897**);
John James Bullock (**1897 - 1903**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Samuel Wilson died in 1871.

Samuel Johns = Samuel Jones

Samuel Johns, beer retailer, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1872]

1881 Census

10, Hawkes Lane

- [1] *Alfred Smith* (22), beerseller and builder's clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Catherine M. Smith (22), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Ruth A. Smith (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Louisa M. Smith (8 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Elizabeth Smith (15), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

William Clansey, beer retailer and coachsmith, 10, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

10, Hawkes Lane

- [1] *Elizabeth Wesley* (49), widow, beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Charles Wesley (4), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Ellen Withington (16), niece, general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Eliza Carter (63), boarder, living on her own means, born West Bromwich:

John Bullock, beer retailer, 10, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1900]

1901 Census

10, Hawkes Lane

[1] *John J. Bullock* (31), publican and brewer, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Matilda Bullock* (28), wife, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Dolly Bullock* (5), daughter, born Wednesbury;

[4] *Nelly Bullock* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *George H. Bullock* (1), son, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Cissie Baker* (21), servant, born Oldbury:

The license was surrendered as from the 15th August 1903 by William Edward Dempster upon the grant of a Victualler's License to certain premises known as the HAWTHORN HOTEL, Birmingham Road.

GRAPES

174, (172), (89), High Street, (and Paradise Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

J. C. Holder, brewer, Birmingham
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919], [1960]

LICENSEES

Thomas Griffiths [1835]
Isaiah Smith [1841] – [1842]
Mrs. Hannah Smith* [1850] – [1861]
H R Smith* [1864]
Robert Watson [1867] – **1872**;
Mrs. Eleanor Watson (**1872** – [1873]
Charles Frederick Huggett [1885] – **1891**);
Arthur Apsley Brett (**1891** – **1906**);
William Bell (**1906** – **1912**);
George Green (**1912** – **1913**);
Watson Bunn (**1913** – **1923**);
Harold Naylor (**1923** – **1927**);
John George Giles (**1927** – **1930**);
Albert Frederick Thomas Jones (**1930** – **1933**);
Richard Arthur Parkinson (**1933** – **1937**);
Harry Broadbent (**1937** – **1940**);
Leonard Farmer Keeley (**1940** – **1941**);
Herbert Hayfield (**1941**);
Beatrice Annie Hayfield (**1941** – **1946**);
Herbert Hayfield (**1946** – **1957**);
Harry Martin (**1957** – **1961**);
Jack Jones (**1961** – []

NOTES

174, High Street [1891]
174, High Street and Paradise Street [1904]

GRAPES HOTEL [1887], [1889], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]

It was originally a three storey building.
The top storey was removed.

1841 Census

High Street

- [1] *Isaiah Smith* (55), wine merchant, born Staffordshire;
- [2] *Hannah Smith* (45), born Staffordshire;
- [3] Elizabeth Reeves Smith (25), born Staffordshire;
- [4] Hannah Reeves Smith (25), born Staffordshire:

* possibly the same person

1851 Census

High Street

- [1] *Hannah Smith* (58), widow, wine and spirit dealer and stamp officer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Hannah Smith* (36), daughter, at home, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Louisa Spencer* (21), servant, born Ross, Herefordshire;
- [4] *Matilda Woodward* (13), servant, born West Bromwich:

Hannah Smith, GRAPES and wine and spirit vaults, High Street. [1861]

1861 Census

High Street

- [1] *Hannah Smith* (68), widow, wine and spirit dealer and stamp office, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Hannah R. Smith* (46), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Louisa Spencer* (30), servant, born Ross, Herefordshire;
- [4] *Caroline Spencer* (22), servant, born West Bromwich:

H. R. Smith, wine and spirit vaults, High Street. [1864]

Robert Watson, beer retailer, High Street. [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

High Street

- [1] *Robert Watson* (56), licensed victualler, born Denbigh, Wales;
- [2] *Ellen Watson* (57), wife, born Anglesey;
- [3] *Margaret Walker* (55), sister, widow, helper, born Anglesey;
- [4] *Thomas Hather* (65), relative, widower, helper, born Shrewsbury;
- [5] *Ellen Walker* (23), niece, helper, born London;
- [6] *Ellen Sutton* (12), niece, helper, born Manchester:

1881 Census

174, High Street – GRAPES INN

- [1] *Margaret Walker* (64), sister, widow, housekeeper (late proprietor recently deceased), born Anglesea, North Wales;
- [2] *Ellen Walker* (33), niece, barmaid, born Manchester;
- [3] *Ellen Sutton* (21), niece, barmaid, born Manchester;
- [4] *Arthur Watson* (13), nephew, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 9/6/1883

“On Monday morning a meeting of ironworkers was held at the GRAPES INN, High Street, West Bromwich, for the purpose of considering certain complaints received from some of the works in the district with regards to the working of the Consiliation Board, and the increase in the contributions required from the workmen for its support. Mr. Thomas Piggott was voted to the chair. Mr. James Capper, in a lengthy address, defended the wisdom of the automatic system of regulating the wages of the men, and contended that it was the best system that the human mind could conceive, because they simply agreed to have their wages regulated by the selling price of the article they were engaged in manufacturing, and if the basis was a fair and just one the man would be beside himself who attempted to undertake to impeach the principle. If the present basis was not a fair one, let them give notice at the proper time for an improvement in the basis, and he felt sure that all the world would justify their conduct. He contended that the men were fully consulted, and had pronounced themselves in favour of the automatic system of regulating the wages. He denied that the ironworkers in that (West Bromwich) district were placed at a disadvantage compared with those of other districts, and it would be well to adopt a uniform rule of wages where the conditions of labour were also uniform.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 15/1/1887

“Henry White (47), Cooper Street, was charged with stealing an umbrella, value 3s, the property of Paul Spencer, on the 1st inst, at the GRAPES HOTEL.

Prosecutor said he had been in the house at half past six. He stood his umbrella near where he was sitting, and immediately after some men had left he missed it.

Charles Huggett, landlord of the GRAPES, stated that when prosecutor mentioned the loss he charged another person with having stolen it, but he afterwards found that the prisoner, who had been sitting next Mr. Spencer, had stolen the umbrella and he ordered him out of the house. Prisoner said, he hadn't got it, but it could be fetched. Witness gave information of the loss to the police, and shortly after the prisoner returned with the umbrella.

Prisoner said he did not steal the umbrella; it was snowing very fast and as he wanted to go up the street he took the umbrella, and afterwards returned it.

Prisoner was fined 5s and the costs, 20s 6d, or fourteen days imprisonment.”

1891 Census

174, High Street

[1] *Arthur Brett* (49), licensed victualler, born Ashford, Kent;

[2] Elizabeth Brett (50), wife, born Kensington, London;

[3] Elizabeth Brett (24), daughter, born Worcester;

[4] William Day (23), barman, born Swindon, Wiltshire;

[5] Mary Stevens (25), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 9/6/1894

“Meeting of Enginemen at West Bromwich. – On Monday, a meeting of the enginemen under the auspices of the Amalgamated Association of Enginemen, Cranemen and Boilermen was held at the GRAPES HOTEL, West Bromwich. Mr. Smith presided. Mr. G. H. Conley (Midlands District Secretary) explained the object of the Association, after which, it was decided to form a branch in West Bromwich, and also to thoroughly organize the men in the whole district.”

Smethwick Telephone 6/10/1894

“Trades Council – On Tuesday night a meeting of this council was held at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich.....”

Smethwick Telephone 22/1/1898

“On Tuesday afternoon the Midland Counties' first annual show of bantams and pigeons, promoted by Mr. Arthur A. Brett, of West Bromwich, was opened at the GRAPES HOTEL. Altogether 535 entries were received for the various classes.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/1/1900

“West Bromwich United Angling Association. The annual dinner, under the auspices of the above association, was held on Wednesday night, at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, the president (Mr. Edwin Pointon) presided over a good attendance.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 20/1/1900

“West Bromwich and District Poultry and Pigeon Society.- The annual dinner and smoking concert, arranged under the auspices of the above popular society, took place on Monday night in the spacious and well appointed assembly room of the GRAPES HOTEL There was a numerous attendance, over which the Mayor (Councillor S. Pirt) presided.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 10/2/1900

“Under the auspices of the local branch of the National Amalgamated Union of Shop Assistants, Warehousemen and Clerks, a capital smoking concert was held in the Assembly Rooms of the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, on Wednesday night. Mr. J. Jones presided over a large attendance.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 24/2/1900

“The annual dinner in connection with the Dartmouth Park Military Band will take place on Tuesday night. That as usual it will be held at the headquarters, GRAPES HOTEL, High Street.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 14/4/1900

“On Wednesday night a very successful smoking concert was held in the Assembly Rooms at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, the proceeds being in aid of the funds of the Victoria Cricket Club. There was a large attendance. A most enjoyable programme of music was gone through, the contributors being the Clef Club Concert Party, Mr. Herbert Bates etc.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 21/7/1900

“The first annual meeting of the members of the West Bromwich and District Butchers’ Association was held on Wednesday night at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, the President (Councillor T. Newman) occupying the chair.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/10/1900

“Butchers’ Association. A very successful smoking concert took place in the Assembly Room of the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, on Tuesday evening in connection with the above association.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 1/12/1900

“The annual dinner of the West Bromwich Borough Fire Brigade was held on Friday night last week, at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich. The Mayor (Councillor) H. Chesshire presided, and the vice chair filled by Captain Tozer.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 19/1/1901

“On Wednesday night, the 19th annual dinner and smoking concert under the auspices of the West Bromwich and District Poultry, Pigeon, Rabbit and Cavy Society was held at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich. Councillor Haywood Hartland occupied the chair An excellent repast was laid upon the tables by the genial host (Mr. *A. A. Brett*), to which ample justice was done.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 16/2/1901

“United Angling Association. On Wednesday night the annual dinner in connection with this association was held at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street. Mr. T. H. Salter (president) occupied the chair, the vice chair being filled by Mr. F. Wainwright, of Aston. During the evening toasts were proposed. The membership of the association is about 100, and the past season was a fairly successful one. Mr. Walter Shore created a record by a pike weighing 15lbs. Selections of music were rendered at intervals, and a pleasant evening was spent.”

1901 Census

172, High Street – GRAPES HOTEL

- [1] Matilda Baker (32), widow, housekeeper, born Sheffield;
- [2] Frank Griffiths (23), barman, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Alice J. Watkins (21), barmaid, born Stourbridge;
- [4] Charles W. Newman (16), boots, born Tipton;
- [5] William Bell (20), barman, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Ruth Vann (22), kitchen maid, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Agnes Perks (20), housemaid, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 21/9/1901

“At a meeting of the West Bromwich and District Poultry and Pigeon Society, held at the GRAPES HOTEL, on Wednesday, Mr. E. Pointon presiding, a vote of condolence with the widow and family of the late Mr. Thomas Gould, who for several years was chairman of the society, and who died on the 7th inst, was passed. The Secretary (Mr. George Hitchman) was instructed to send a copy of the resolution to the family.”

Smethwick Weekly News 7/6/1902

“A meeting of the West Bromwich and District Butchers’ Association was held on Thursday night at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street, the President (Councillor T. Newman) in the chair.....”

Wednesbury Leader 7/9/1906

“The members of the West Bromwich Poultry and Pigeon Society had their annual trip on Wednesday. A start was made from the GRAPES HOTEL shortly before dinner, the place visited being Shirley, where a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. The party numbered about thirty or forty, and they were conveyed to Shirley in brakes supplied by Messrs. Crowthers.”

Wednesbury Leader 14/9/1906

“The members of the West Bromwich Angling Association had their annual prize distribution on Monday night at the GRAPES HOTEL, High Street. The prizes were awarded in connection with the recent contest at Patshull Park, and the usual custom was followed.....”

AND

“The annual young birds’ show in connection with the West Bromwich and District Poultry and Pigeon Society took place on Wednesday night, at the GRAPES HOTEL. There were about fifty entries.....”

Chronicle for West Bromwich and Oldbury 15/4/1910

“The usual monthly meeting of the West Bromwich and District Trades Council was held at the GRAPES HOTEL on Wednesday evening, when Mr. W. H. Day presided.....”

1911 – “Choice wines and spirits direct from bond.”

1911 Census

174, High Street – GRAPES HOTEL

- [1] *William Bell* (67), widower, hotel proprietor, born Birmingham;
- [2] *C. S. Bell* (17), daughter, assistant at home in the business, born Aston;
- [3] *W. A. Bell* (26), son, assistant at home in the business, born Aston;
- [4] *R. E. Bott* (23), barmaid, born Birmingham;
- [5] *A. Willis* (23), general servant, born Tipton;
- [6] *J. Williams* (21), general servant, born Pensnett;
- [7] *A. E. Pountney* (46), housekeeper, born Great Bridge;
- [8] *T. E. Oliver* (23), barman, born Bridgnorth:

Watson Bunn – see also HARE AND HOUNDS.



c. 1960

GRAPES

2, (3), Kenrick Street / Glover Street, (Spon Lane), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Holders Brewery Co. Ltd.
Arthur James Price, High Street, West Bromwich
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

John Jones [1864] – [1872]
Alfred Jones [1888] – **1896**);
John Rollason (**1896 – 1906**);
John Blower (**1906 – 1913**);
John Baggott (**1913 – 1922**);
Frank Enoch Bridges (**1922 – 1927**);
Thomas Mason (**1927 – 1934**);
Mrs. Amy Mason (**1934 – 1937**);
Harry Povey (**1937 – 1943**);
Joseph Williams (**1943 – []**)

NOTES

3, Kenrick Street
2, Kendrick Street [1891]
2, Kenrick Street [1892], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]
Glover Street [1913]

John Jones was also a butcher. [1864], [1872]

1871 Census

The GRAPES

- [1] *John Jones* (45), publican and butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Ann Jones (49), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] Ann N. Jones (14), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Alfred Jones (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Clara Jones (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

2, Kendrick Street

- [1] *Alfred Jones* (28), married, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Ann N. Gill (33), sister, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Gladys Gill (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Hock (?) Gill (5 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Rosanna Ball (32), domestic servant, born Oldbury:

1901 Census

2, Kendrick Street

[1] *John Rollason* (42), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary A. Rollason* (40), wife, born Old Hill;

[3] *Maud Rollason* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich:

John Rollason was a committee member of the West Bromwich and District LVA. [1902]

1911 Cenus

2, Kenrick Street

[1] *John Blower* (37), publican, manager, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Alice Blower* (36), wife, married 16 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Winifred Shakespeare* (14), domestic servant born West Bromwich:

Thomas Mason was married to *Amy*.

He died in 1934.

It was subject to a Compulsory Purchase Order in January 1961.

GREAT WESTERN

36, Chapel Street, Old Meeting Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Aaron Baggott, Phoenix Street, (later at Bilhay Lane), West Bromwich
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd. [1907]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]

LICENSEES

Elizabeth Varlon [] - **1872**);
John Varlon (**1872 - 1876**);
Aaron Baggott (**1876**);
Robert Mountain (**1876 - 1879**);
Richard Holding (**1879 - 1881**);
James Wilkes (**1881 - 1883**);
Richard Williams (**1883**);
Joseph Clayton (**1883 - 1885**);
John Cartwright (**1885 - 1909**);
William Maybury (**1909 - 1913**);
Albert Richard Reece (**1913 - 1930**);
Arthur Taylor (**1930 - 1931**);
Alfred James Brookes (**1931 - 1933**);
Benjamin Pedley (**1933 - 1936**);
William Arthur Crompton (**1936 - 1941**);
Enoch Shuker (**1941 - 1943**);
Mrs. Emmie Shuker (**1943 - 1954**);
Elizabeth May Povey (**1954 - 1955**);
Joseph Andrews (**1955 - 1958**);
Elsie May Andrews (**1958**);
Henry Whittingham (**1958 - [1960]**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

John Varlon was fined £10 and costs, on 1st June 1874, for permitting drunkenness on 26th May.

Robert Mountain was fined £1 and costs for permitting drunkenness in March 1877.

Wednesbury Herald 12/4/1879

“A petition was filed in the Oldbury County Court, on Tuesday, on behalf of *Robert Mountain Jnr.*, beerhouse keeper, Chapel Street, West Bromwich. The liabilities are estimated at £400; assets not yet ascertained. Mr. Henry Jackson, West Bromwich, has been appointed solicitor for the debtor.”

Richard Holding = Richard Holden

1881 Census

36, Chapel Street – GREAT WESTERN INN

- [1] *Richard Holding* (52), beerhouse keeper (blacksmith), born West Bromwich;
- [2] Amelia Wilkes (16), niece, born Kidderminster;
- [3] Annie Wilkes (17), niece, barmaid, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 17/12/1881

“Mr. E. Hooper held an inquest at the TALBOT INN, Dudley Road, west Bromwich, on Monday, on the body of Henry Crow (57), boot and shoe maker, of No.1, Claypit Lane, West Bromwich, who died from suffocation on Friday afternoon. Deceased, who was a man of intemperate habits, had been in the GREAT WESTERN beerhouse, Chapel Street, when he was given a piece of cooked beef. He complained of the meat being tough and soon afterwards appeared to be choking. Dr. Delaney was called in, and put an instrument into deceased’s throat. The instrument meeting with no opposition the doctor applied an emetic of mustard and water, but that had no effect; and Dr. Brown, who was then sent for, made an incision for the purpose of producing respiration, but this also had no effect, and the man died almost immediately.

The verdict returned was Suffocation by attempting to swallow a piece of beef.”

John Cartwright, beer retailer, 36, Chapel Street. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900]

1891 Census

36, Chapel Street – GREAT WESTERN INN

- [1] *John Cartwright* (40), beer retailer and cider brewer, born Wolverhampton;
- [2] Jane Cartwright (39), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] George T. Cartwright (16), son, boiler maker, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Florence Cartwright (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Emily Cartwright (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Alice Cartwright (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Ethel Cartwright (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

John Cartwright was cleared of assault in June 1900.

1901 Census

36, Chapel Street

- [1] *John Cartwright* (50), beer retailer, born Wolverhampton;
- [2] Jane Cartwright (49), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] Fanny Cartwright (25), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Alice Cartwright (20), daughter, hospital nurse, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Ethel Cartwright (12), daughter, born West Bromwich:

John Cartwright, beer retailer, 36, Chapel Street, Old Meeting Street [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

74, Chapel Street, Carters Green

- [1] *William Maybury* (37), publican, beerhouse, born Princes End;
- [2] Sarah Maybury (35), wife, married 14 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Beatruce Jane Maybury (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Edith Lilian Maybury (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Charles Austin Maybury (10), son, born West Bromwich:

William Maybury, beer retailer, 36, Chapel Street, Old Meeting Street. [1912]

Enoch Shuker was married to *Emmie*.
He died in 1943.

Harry Whittingham was fined £5 and £1 10s costs, on 4th August 1960, for permitting his premises to be used for the purpose of betting.



GREAT WESTERN HOTEL

242, (240), High Street (and Paradise Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Manchester Brewery Co. Ltd.
Samuel Allsopp and Sons Ltd. [1908]
John Francis Myatt [1913]
Frank Myatt Ltd. [1921]
Holt Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ansells Ltd.
Holt, Plant and Deakin (acquired in 1989)

LICENSEES

Joseph Hall [1858] – [1865]
Josiah Barlow [1868] – [1872]
William Barlow [1873]
John Egan [] – **1877**)
Mrs. Elizabeth Egan [1880] – [1881]
Harry Robins [1888]
John Quinn [1889] – **1890**);
Robert J Ward (**1890 – 1899**);
William Frederick Clayton (**1899 – 1900**);
James William Chambers (**1900 – 1909**);
William Crisp Rose (**1909**);
Frederick James S Atkinson (**1909 – 1919**);
Walter Goodall (**1919 – 1920**);
Charles William Herrick (**1920 – 1923**);
George Woodhall (**1923**);
Frank Locke (**1923 – 1924**);
George James Briscall (**1924 – 1929**);
Josiah Riley (**1929 – 1935**);
John George Giles (**1935 – 1951**);
Harold Phineas Kendrick (**1951**);
Harold Hodges (**1951 – 1952**);
William Bethwaite Elliott (**1952 – 1955**);
William Albert Beck (**1955 – 1957**);
Frederick George Richards (**1957**);
William Lawley (**1957 – 1965**);
Francis Henry Morris (**1965 – 1969**);
Joan Florence Nodder (**1969 – 1980**);
Thomas Patrick Johnston (**1980 – 1982**);
Joan Florence Nodder (**1982 – 1988**);
David John Ellis (**1988 – 1989**);
Brian Preece (**1989 – 1991**);
Adrian Colin Butler (**1991 – 1995**);
Anthony William Good (**1995 – 1996**);
Roger John Cartwright (**1996 – [1998]**)



Advert 1989



1982



1986

NOTES

240, High Street [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

242, High Street [1881], [1908], [1916], [1921], [1924], [1996]

It also had a frontage on to Paradise Street.

It had a dining room.

Joseph Hall, beer retailer, High Street. [1858], [1861]

1861 Census

High Street – RAILWAY INN

[1] *Joseph Hall* (38), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] Elizabeth Hall (33), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] Benjamin Fellowes (70), relative, born Wednesbury;

[4] Betsey Skidmore (18), house servant, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Hall – check NORTH WESTERN, Smethwick.

1871 Census

High Street

[1] *Josiah Barlow* (52), licensed victualler, born Worcester;

[2] Dinah Barlow (48), wife, born Stourbridge;

[3] Josiah Barlow (16), son, born Kingswinford;

[4] George Barlow (14), son, born Kingswinford;

[5] Priscilla Barlow (12), daughter, born Kingswinford;

[6] Elizabeth Barlow (12), daughter, born Kingswinford;

[7] James Barlow (11), son, born Kingswinford;

[8] Frederick Barlow (5), son, born West Bromwich;

[9] Eliza Evans (21), domestic servant, born Kingswinford;

[10] Mary Povey (20), domestic servant, born Langley;

[11] Maria Reader (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/6/1875

“Early on Monday morning, Alfred Lord, platelayer, aged 55, residing in Sams Lane, was knocked down and killed by the six o’clock train from Birmingham, as it was approaching the West Bromwich Great Western Station. The body of the man was dreadfully injured, his head being badly crushed.

At noon on Tuesday, E. Hooper Esq., coroner, held an inquest at the GREAT WESTERN INN, where the body lay Samuel Lord, son of the deceased, living in Pleasant Street, deposed that his father had been very ill, and had complained of giddiness for about twelve months. He had a wife and a family of 8 children. He had been in the employment of the Great Western Railway Company only a few days, and he was not aware of any intimation of his giddiness had been made to the company Accidental death.”

Dudley Herald 10/2/1877

“On Tuesday an inquest held at the GREAT WESTERN INN, on the body of Mr. *John Egan*, the late landlord of the house. On Sunday night [4/2] the deceased was apparently in good health and assisted in the bar until closing time. He went to bed about midnight, but half an hour afterwards was taken ill and died almost immediately. The medical evidence showed that death was produced by natural causes.”

Wednesbury Herald 10/1/1880

“The Fatal Railway Accident at West Bromwich. An inquest was held on Monday, before Mr. Hooper (District Coroner), at the GREAT WESTERN INN, West Bromwich, on the body of Silas Lowe (60), Pleasant Street, Lyng. The evidence showed deceased had lost one of his eyes, and the sight of the other was defective. His hearing was also bad. He had two tickets from Birmingham to West Bromwich. A quarter of an hour would elapse between the time the train came into West Bromwich from Birmingham, and the arrival of the train by which deceased was killed. A verdict of Accidental death was returned.”

[A description of the finding of the body appeared in the edition of 3rd January.]

The premises were described as newly erected in August 1880.

1881 Census

242, High Street – GREAT WESTERN

- [1] *Elizabeth Egan* (43), widow, licensed victualler, born Cradley, Worcestershire;
- [2] *James Daniel Egan* (5), son, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *Emily Harriet Egan* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur Mason* (21), brother, barman, born Hartshill;
- [5] *James Kershaw* (26), barman, born Sutton, Cheshire;
- [6] *Caroline Piper* (22), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Elizabeth Bartlam* (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Mary Ann Culwick* (29), barmaid, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

242, High Street

- [1] *Robert J. Ward* (37), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Ireland;
- [2] *Harriett Ward* (59), mother, housekeeper, born Blackley, Leicestershire;
- [3] *Fanny Ward* (31), sister, barmaid, born York;
- [4] *Adolphus Ward* (26), brother, barman, born Colchester;
- [5] *Margaret Molloy* (19), general servant, born Great Bridge;
- [6] *Alice S. Ward* (21), sister, barmaid, born York:

Smethwick Weekly News 5/1/1901

“George Evans (43), of Sams Lane, West Bromwich, was charged with stealing 19s 9d, the money of *James William Chambers*, landlord of the GREAT WESTERN HOTEL, High Street, on the 22nd December.

It was alleged that about 7.15pm on the date in question prisoner ordered from the barmaid – Eve Billingham – three pennyworth of whisky. She gave him change for what she first thought to be a sovereign, but a minute or so later found that it was a brass token. Prisoner persisted in the statement that he gave Miss Billingham a sovereign in payment of the whisky, and detained the 19s 9d change.

Prisoner was committed to the Borough Quarter Sessions for trial.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 26/1/1901

“West Bromwich Quarter Sessions. George Evans (42), a labourer, of Sams Lane, West Bromwich, pleaded not guilty to an indictment charging him with stealing 19s 9d, the money of *James William Chambers*, landlord of the GREAT WESTERN HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, on the 23rd December.

Mr. Lewis (instructed by Mr. A. A. Caddick) appeared to prosecute and Mr. Lawrence (instructed by Messrs. J. and L. Clark) defended.

The case for the prosecution was that on the night in question the prisoner entered the bar of the hotel, in Paradise Street, and called for three penny worth of whisky, the barmaid, Eva Billingham, supplied the whisky and gave him change for what she thought was a sovereign. Shortly afterwards a man named Peters, who was in the bar, called the barmaid’s attention to what she had received from Evans, and on looking into the till found he had given her a brass token.

Prisoner, however, persisted in the statement that he had given her a sovereign in payment for the whisky. He was found not guilty and discharged.”

1901 Census

High Street – G. W. R. INN

- [1] *James Chambers* (31), licensed victualler, born Manchester;
- [2] *Sarah Chambers* (29), wife, born Manchester;
- [3] *Clara Chambers* (8), daughter, born Manchester;
- [4] *Ernest Chambers* (6), son, born Manchester;
- [5] *Ada Lippins* (37), barmaid, born London;
- [6] *Eva Billingham* (27), barmaid, born Cradley Heath;
- [7] *Agnes Smith* (20), general servant, born Kidderminster:

Smethwick Weekly News 18/1/1902

“The annual dinner in connection with the West Bromwich Flying Club took place at the headquarters, GREAT WESTERN HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, on Tuesday evening, and was attended with conspicuous success. Mr. D. Tonks (in the unavoidable absence of the President) presided.....”

Chronicle for West Bromwich and Oldbury 3/6/1910

The West Bromwich and District Canine Society are holding a show for members at the GREAT WESTERN HOTEL, High Street, on Tuesday next.”

1911 Census

GREAT WESTERN HOTEL

- [1] *Frederick J. S. Atkinson* (50), hotel proprietor, born Barnsley, Yorkshire;
- [2] *Hannah Atkinson* (51), wife, married 26 years, born Sheffield;
- [3] *Florrie Jones* (26), barmaid, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] *Matilda Jordan* (26), barmaid, born Swan Village;
- [5] *Alice Ruston* (21), domestic servant, born Swan Village:

Charles William Herrick – see also WAGGON AND HORSES, Tipton.

Harold Phineas Kendrick – see also KING EDWARD VII.

It had a jazz club. [1959]

Permission was granted, to provide a new servery, to enlarge the lounge, and provide new toilets, on 3rd February 1972.

It was refurbished in 1989.

[1997]

Closed

It reopened as BARNABY'S.

Closed

It reopened as DURANS.

[2005]

Closed [2006]

It reopened as a café.



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GREAT WESTERN +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Elizabeth Carter [] - **1871**);
Joseph Carter (**1871** - []

GREAT WESTERN +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Earp [1885]

NOTES

Smethwick Telephone 21/2/1885

“West Bromwich Police Court. Albert Johnson (25), Temple Street, Smethwick, an engineer, was charged with being drunk and refusing to quit the GREAT WESTERN INN, at West Bromwich on Tuesday night, also with doing willful damage to a glass door to the extent of 18s and assaulting PC Murphy – *Thomas Earp*, landlord of the house defendant went into the house on Tuesday and was supplied with a small quantity of whisky. As he then appeared to be in an intoxicated condition he was requested to leave, but refused to do so, and was ultimately put out. He afterwards deliberately smashed a pane of glass in the door.

The barman followed the defendant till they came up with a policeman, when he was given to charge. – PC Murphy stated that he took the defendant into custody, and went back with him to the GREAT WESTERN INN to ascertain what he had been doing. While they were in the bar the defendant struck him a blow on the nose, causing it to bleed for 20 minutes. Witness then tried to handcuff him, to which the defendant hit him upon the hand and kicked him about the legs. With assistance defendant was eventually got to the station.”

– The defendant had since apologized and offered to pay the damage. He was fined 10s and costs for the assault
– other cases dismissed.

GREETS GREEN HOUSE

168, (40), Greets Green Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Davis, Water Orton
C. H. Jacques, 95, Colmore Row Birmingham
Birmingham Town Brewery
Birmingham Breweries Ltd. [1897]
Ansell's Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Bunn [1858] – [1875]
John Jones [] – **1890**);
Robert Pettigrew (**1890 – 1891**);
John Donnelly (**1891**);
Frederick Overton (**1891 – 1894**);
Edward Lee (**1894 – 1895**);
John Aston (**1895 – 1897**);
Thomas Henry Davies (**1897 – 1903**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Bradbury (**1903 – 1908**);
Harry Lakin Hayden (**1908 – 1909**);
John Harpin (**1909 – 1911**);

NOTES

40, Greets Green Road [1891]
168, Greets Green Road [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

William Bunn, beer retailer, Greets Green. [1858], [1861]
William Bunn, beer retailer and furniture broker, Greets Green. [1864]
William Bunn, beer retailer, Greets Green Road [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Greets Green Road – GREETS GREEN HOUSE

- [1] *William Bunn* (52), publican and baker, born Brockmore;
- [2] *Eliza Bunn* (51), wife, born Shrewsbury;
- [3] *Ann Glover* (80), mother, widow, born Shrewsbury;
- [4] *Maria Bunn* (23), daughter, domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Bunn* (17), daughter, domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ann Bunn* (15), daughter, domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Thomas Bunn* (13), son, iron foundry, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Enoch Bunn* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

It was put up for sale (freehold, old established public house) on 19th June 1875.

1891 Census

40, Greets Green Road

[1] *Frederick Overton* (26), mill furnaceman, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Clara Overton* (23), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Clara Annie Overton* (3 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Elizabeth Robinson* (18), servant, born West Bromwich:

Frederick Overton, beer retailer, 40, Greets Green Road. [1892]

John Aston, beer retailer, 40, Greets Green Road. [1896]

Thomas Davies, beer retailer, 40, Greets Green Road. [1900]

1901 Census

168, Greets Green Road

[1] *Thomas H. Davies* (31), innkeeper (beerhouse), born Tenbury, Worcestershire;

[2] *Jane Davies* (20), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Davies* (1), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Frederick Jones* (21), boarder, puddler, ironworks, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Elizabeth Bradbury, beer retailer, 168, Greets Green Road. [1904]

Henry Lakin Hayden, beer retailer, 168, Greets Green Road. [1908]

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 9th March 1911.

The license was extinguished on 30th September 1911.

Check GREETS GREEN INN.

GREETS GREEN SPORTS BAR

Whitehall Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Stuart Cleamer **(2014 - []**

NOTES

It was formerly the Greet Green Sports and Social Club.

GREETS GREEN SPORTS BAR [2013]

It reopened on 8th July 2014.

[2014]



2014

GREYHOUND

330, Spon Lane / Union Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Downing, Holly Lane, Smethwick
Holders Brewery Ltd. [1905], [1911]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Robert Pitt [1871] – **1876**);
Emanuel Beddoe (**1876 – 1877**);
William Worley (**1877**);
Thomas Fullwood (**1877 – 1888**);
William Henry Smith (**1888 – 1890**);
John Minshull (**1890 – 1891**);
Edwin Viner (**1891 – 1892**);
Matthew Mason (**1892 – 1893**);
Charles Arthur Hazlewood (**1893**);
John Price (**1893 – 1894**);
Alfred Newton (**1894 – 1895**);
Samuel Turley (**1895 – 1897**);
Mrs. Sarah Turley (**1897 – 1903**);
Henry Welsh (**1903 – 1905**);
William Wilson Barnes (**1905 – 1907**);
James Warren (**1907 – 1908**);
Mrs. Julia Warren (**1908 – 1911**);
Frederick Hughes (**1911 – 1918**);
Walter Ernest Warden (**1918 – 1920**);
Walter Frederick Ailton (**1920 – 1922**);
Isaac William Sharman (**1922 – 1929**);
John Goode (**1929 – 1931**);
John Thomas Hamer (**1931 – 1940**);
John Thomas Woolley (**1940 – 1944**);
Horace Holder (**1944 – 1952**);
Edward Arthur Smith (**1952 – 1953**);
Frank Thomas Lacey (**1953**);
Herbert Morris (**1953 – 1955**);
Florence May Jennings (**1955 – 1956**);

NOTES

It had a beer and wine license.

1871 Census

Spon Lane – The GREYHOUND

[1] Robert Pitt (35), retail brewer, born Bristol;

[2] Sarah Ann Pitt (30), born Bristol:

Robert Pitt, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1872]

Emanuel Beddoe = Emmanuel Beddoes

Dudley Herald 10/6/1876

Emmanuel Beddoes was fined £1 and costs for “keeping his house open ten minutes after the closing hour on the previous Monday night.”

1881 Census

Spon Lane – GREYHOUND INN

- [1] *Thomas Fullwood* (56), publican, born Brockmore [Brockmoor];
- [2] *Mary A. Fullwood* (55), wife, born Gorsey Bank, [Gorsty Hill?], Staffordshire;
- [3] *Phoebe Fullwood* (33), daughter, born Gorsey Bank, Staffordshire;
- [4] *William Henry Dally* (32), son in law, pattern maker, born Stourbridge;
- [5] *Eliza Ann Dally* (29), daughter, born Harts Hill;
- [6] *Frances M. Dally* (10), granddaughter, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [7] *William Dally* (7), grandson, scholar, born Wednesbury;

Wednesbury Herald 8/4/1882

“*Thomas Fullwood*, landlord of the GREYHOUND INN, Spon Lane, was summoned before the West Bromwich magistrates on Saturday last, for opening his licensed premises during prohibited hours.

Mr. Jackson (Messrs. Jackson and Phipps) defended.

Police-constables Bishop and Meredith gave evidence to the effect that on the previous Sunday morning, between 11 and 12, they saw a woman named *Mary M’Geary* received a bottle containing ale from some one on the defendant’s premises. The defence was that the ale was supplied because *M’Geary*, her husband ‘was very bad, and had a pain in his throat.’ (Laughter)

M’Geary’s husband who was asked, said, ‘I was choked up in the neck, and going thirsty.’ (Laughter)

A fine of 20s and costs was inflicted.”

Thomas Fullwood, beer retailer, 330 Spon Lane. [1888]

1891 Census

330, Spon Lane – GREY HOUND INN

- [1] *Edwin Viner* (32), licensed victualler, born ___ntham, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Julia Viner* (25), wife, born Gloucester;
- [3] *Willis Viner* (3), son, born Gloucester;
- [4] *Frederick Viner* (1), son, born Gloucester;
- [5] *Kate Loydon* (15), general servant, born Wednesbury;

Edward Viner, beer retailer, 330, Spon Lane. [1892]

Samuel Turley was married to *Sarah*.

He died in 1897.

Samuel Turley, beer retailer, 330, Spon Lane. [1896]

1901 Census

330, Spon Lane – GREYHOUND INN

- [1] *Sarah Turley* (50), publican, manageress, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Samuel Turley* (33), son, glass blower, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Abraham Turley* (24), son, glass blower, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emily Turley* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Turley* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elizabeth Turley* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;

Henry Welsh = Henry Welch

Henry Welch, beer retailer, 330, Spon Lane. [1904]

Mrs. Julia Warren, beer retailer, 330, Spon Lane. [1908]

Frederick Hughes, beer retailer, 330, Spon Lane. [1912]

Horace Holder was born in West Bromwich, circa 1916.

He was married to Kathleen.

See also QUEENS HEAD, West Bromwich and RAILWAY TAVERN, and SWAN, Smethwick.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1946]

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1955.
It closed on 3rd March 1956.

HALFWAY HOUSE

75, (57), Old Meeting Street / Greswold Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Sarah Powell
William Powell
Hannah Powell
George Thompson, Oldbury
Thomas Henry Bates, Sponwell Brewery [1914]
Arnold and Bates Ltd. [1924]
Darby's Brewery Ltd.
Enterprise Inns

LICENSEES

William Powell [1881] - **1884**;
James Bodington (**1884** - []
William Powell [1888] - [1889]
Thomas Jones [1889]
William Powell [1891] - **1894**;
Edwin Albert Jones (**1894** - **1897**);
George Amos Cowles (**1897** - **1899**);
Thomas Jones (**1899** - **1900**);
Mrs. Jane Ann Poulton (**1900** - **1907**);
Albert William Poulton (**1907** - **1916**);
David Turner (**1916** - **1922**);
John Walter Martin (**1922** - **1926**);
Andrew Poynton (**1926** - **1942**);
Harold Bourne (**1942** - **1951**);
Arthur Knowles (**1951** - **1953**);
Albert Edward 'Ted' Woodward (**1953** - **1956**);
Harold William Rogers (**1956**);
James Vickerstaff (**1956** - **1957**);
Harold Cartwright (**1957** - **1958**);
William Kenneth Griffiths (**1958** - **1960**);
Dennis William Goodman (**1960** - []
Peter Douglas Legatt [1968]
Richard Parry [1992]
Raymond W Smallman [2008]

NOTES

It had a beer and wine license.

57, Old Meeting Street [1881], [1891], [1901], [1911]
75, Old Meeting Street

It was previously known as the GEORGE.



1986



2008



2014

1881 Census

57, Old Meeting Street – HALF WAY HOUSE

- [1] *William Powell* (35), publican, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Hannah Powell* (30), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Emily Powell* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Henry Powell* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Phoebe Taylor* (19), general servant, born Wednesbury:

William Powell, beer retailer, 57, Old Meeting Street. [1888], [1889]

Thomas Jones had his license renewal opposed in August 1889 for “not being a fit and proper person” – it was renewed in September 1889.

1891 Census

57, Old Meeting Street – HALFWAY HOUSE

- [1] *William Powell* (45), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Hannah Powell* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Emily Powell* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William H. Powell* (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Edith M. Richards* (5), niece, born Wolverhampton:

William Powell, beer retailer, 57, Old Meeting Street. [1892]

Edwin Albert Jones, beer retailer, 57, Old Meeting Street. [1896]

George Amos Cowles was fined £5 and £3 12s 6d costs, on 21st August 1899, for 3 cases of permitting betting.

Thomas Jones, beer retailer, 57, Old Meeting Street, [1900]

1901 Census

57, Old Meeting Street

- [1] *Jane Ann Poulton* (55), widow, beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Albert William Poulton* (22), son, unmarried, assisting management, born Smethwick:

Mrs. Jane Ann Poulton, beer retailer, 57, Old Meeting Street. [1904]

Albert William Poulton, beer retailer, 57, Old Meeting Street. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

57, Old Meeting Street

- [1] *Albert William Poulton* (31), beer retailer, born Smethwick:

Albert William Poulton was fined £2 plus £2 4s 6d special costs, on 16th December 1915, for giving over measure of beer.

Permission to rebuild the premises was granted in 1937.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

Albert Edward Woodward was the son of *Albert Edgar Woodward*.

He married to *Margaret* in 1943. He died aged 89.

See also STONE CROSS and OLD BELL.

[2014]

HALL END TAVERN

114, Vicarage Road, (99, (43), Hall End), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Holding
Mary Holding
Charles Abraham Woolley
William Bowen Ltd. [1915]
William Butler and Co. [1944]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Punch Taverns

LICENSEES

Joseph Holding [] - **1879**);
Mary Holding (**1879 - 1893**);
David Holding (**1893**);
Charles Abraham Woolley (**1893 - 1895**);
Thomas William Alexander (**1895 - 1896**);
Henry Horton (**1896 - 1911**);
Herbert Horton (**1911 - 1916**);
Joseph Smith (**1916 - 1930**);
John Henry Lewis (**1930 - 1932**);
James James (**1932 - 1950**);
Joseph Timmins (**1950 - 1955**);
Alexander Burnfield Lamont (**1955 - 1957**);
John Thomas Manley (**1957 - 1959**);
William Wade (**1959 - [1960's]**)
Keith Hazlehurst [1992] - [1995]
Royston Burford (**1996 - 2007**)
Sundeeep Thind (**2007 - [2012]**)



2004



2014

NOTES

43, Hall End [1891]
99, Hall End [1901], [1911]

It was known locally as "The Rampatampa".
It was noted in the licensing register as the 'Rumper Tumper'.

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Holding was married to *Mary*.

1881 Census

Hall End – HALL END TAVERN

- [1] *Mary Holding* (65), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *David Holding* (25), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Emily Holding* (13), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Nelly Holding* (7), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. *Mary Holding*, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 43, Hall End. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

43, Hall End – HALL END TAVERN

- [1] *Mary Holding* (75), widow, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *David Holding* (35), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Harriet Withers* (45), daughter, widow, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ellen Withers* (17), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

Charles Abraham Woolley – see also WHITE HART.

Midland Sun 20/5/1893

“On Wednesday morning, Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, held an inquest at the HALL END TAVERN, West Bromwich, respecting the death of John Wright, aged three months, the son of a single woman, named Hannah Wright, of Church Lane, West Bromwich. A verdict of death from Natural Causes was returned.”

Thomas William Alexander, beer retailer, 43, Hall End. [1896]

Henry Horton, beer retailer, 43, Hall End. [1900]

1901 Census

99, Hall End

- [1] *Henry Horton* (63), widower, manager of beerhouse, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ellen Horton* (37), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [3] *Aymon James Horton* (26), son, barman, born Smethwick;
- [4] *Emmie Kate Horton* (22), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Herbert Horton* (14), son, postal messenger, born Smethwick;
- [6] *Elsie Horton* (12), daughter, born Tipton:

1911 Census

99, Hall End

- [1] *Henry Horton* (74), widower, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Herbert Horton* (25), son, clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elsie James* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William James* (23), son in law, mechanic, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary James* (3 months), born West Bromwich:

Herbert Horton, beer retailer, Hall End. [1912]

John Henry Lewis – see also CROWN, Church Lane.

The original pub was demolished in the 1930's.
A new pub was erected further up the road.
It opened c. 1934.

A full license was granted on 12th February 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

[2008]

It was renamed The RAMPA. [2010]

[2014]

HARE AND HOUNDS

18, Seagar Street, (Dartmouth Street) / Taylors Lane, Mare's Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Mountain
Mrs. M. Mountain [1910]
King and Barton, West End Brewery, Birmingham
Rushton's Brewery Ltd. [1912]
Ansell's Ltd. [1923]

LICENSEES

John Webb [1828] – [1835]
Elizabeth Webb [1841] – [1842]
Henry Mountain [1850] – [1870]
Mrs. Mary Ann Mountain [1871] – [1881]
John Hancox [1887] – **1892**;
Henry Mountain (**1892 – 1894**);
Mrs. Matilda Mountain (**1894 – 1897**);
Henry Holden (**1897 – 1905**);
Watson Bunn (**1905 – 1913**);
Arthur Hutt (**1913 – 1914**);
Mrs. Rose Hutt (**1914 – 1915**);
Joseph Jones (**1915 – 1919**);
Mrs. Ada (Jones) Marsh (**1919 – 1920**);
William Edward Watkins (**1920 – 1933**);
William Reginald Nicholls (**1933 – 1938**);
Daniel Clifford Smith (**1938 – 1940**);
Mark Satterthwaite (**1940 – 1943**);
Clement John Evans (**1943 – 1944**);
Percy Thomas Brindley (**1944 – 1945**);
Samuel Johnson (**1945 – 1954**);
John George Giles (**1954 – 1955**);
Rosannah Lucy Giles (**1955 – 1958**);
Joseph Edward Mills (**1958**);
Dragoljab Jurisic (**1958 – 1960**);
Patrick Byrne Sylvester (**1960 – []**);
Emanuel Jones [];
Raymond J Hadley [];
Ernest A W Anderson [];
David T Ward [];
Ethelbert Morrison []

NOTES

Dartmouth Street [1858]

It was built in 1797.

Black Country Bugle Annual 1989

'Bad Bill's Banished Tombstone' by Alan Grosvenor

".....it was here [HARE AND HOUNDS] that a serving-girl, peeping through a keyhole into a back room reserved and secured by [William] Booth, observed the distribution of 'bad coins' on a table. The tavern was a regular rendezvous for a gang of forgers and coiners.

Booth used to visit the HARE AND HOUNDS regularly and a number of local nailmakers worked for him on his farm at Perry Barr....."

Henry Mountain, beer retailer, Mare's Green. [1850]

1851 Census

HARE AND HOUNDS

[1] *Henry Mountain (51)*, publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Ann Mountain (44)*, wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Mary Ann Mountain (17)*, daughter, house servant, born West Bromwich:

1861 Census

Seagar Street – HARE AND HOUNDS

[1] *Henry Mountain (60)*, carter, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Ann Mountain (53)*, wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Henry Mountain (8)*, grandson, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Robert Mountain (7)*, grandson, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Isaac Yardley (14)*, visitor, born Darlaston:

Henry Mountain, beer retailer, Seagar Street. [1864]

1871 Census

HARE AND HOUNDS

[1] *Mary Ann Mountain (66)*, widow, beershop keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Henry Mountain (13)*, nephew, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Hannah Mountain (10)*, niece, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

18, Seagar Street – HARE AND HOUNDS

[1] *Mary Ann Mountain (76)*, widow, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Hannah Mountain (20)*, granddaughter, born West Bromwich;

[3] *James Mountain (5)*, great grandson, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/4/1887

"An inquest was held at the FIVE WAYS INN, Seagar Street, West Bromwich, on Wednesday, before Mr. E. Hooper (coroner) touching the death of Jane Hancox (53), who died suddenly on Sunday evening at her residence. *John Hancox*, boat loader and publican [HARE AND HOUNDS], 18, Seagar Street, husband of deceased stated that he had been married 22 years. His wife had been in very good health for more than four years, but had occasionally complained of giddiness in the head. On Sunday evening about seven o'clock he had some friends at his house, when she laid the supper things, after which she went to the brewhouse, and immediately returning she caught him by the collar and was gasping for breath. She went towards the brewhouse again and fell on the floor. They bathed her lips with brandy and sent for Dr. Evans but he came too late. She died in about twenty minutes after she was first taken. She went black and blue all over her face, and the doctor did not say the cause of death.

Maria Crofts, friend of Mrs. Hancox, stated that she had known deceased many years and her health was good, but she had consequently complained frequently of a sick headache. She confirmed the statements of the husband and thought she had died from natural causes.

A verdict of Natural Causes was returned."

1891 Census

18, Seagar Street – HARE AND HOUNDS

- [1] *John Hancox* (48), widower, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Joseph Hancox* (23), son, safe maker, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Rebecca Hancox* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Henry Mountain was married to *Matilda*.
He died in 1894.

1901 Census

18, Seagar Street

- [1] *Henry Holden* (29), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Susan Holden* (27), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *James Holden* (6), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ethel L. Holden* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Richards* (67), mother in law, widow, born West Bromwich:

Arthur Hutt was married to *Rose*.
He died in 1914.

It was rebuilt in 1897.

Henry Holden, beer retailer, 18, Seagar Street. [1900]

1911 Census

18, Seagar Street

- [1] *Watson Bunn* (45), widower, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Gladys Marion Bunn* (18), daughter, helping in business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Bunn* (42), sister, unmarried, helping in business, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Agnes Woodhall* (57), sister, married, helping in business, born West Bromwich:

Watson Bunn – see also VINE, Dartmouth Street.

Joseph Jones was married to *Ada*.

Ada Jones remarried a *Mr. Marsh* in 1920.

Clement John Evans – see also GOLDEN CROSS.

Percy Thomas Brindley – see also GOLDEN CROSS.

Samuel Johnson – see also MARKSMAN.

Dragoljab Jurisic – see also COCK, Smethwick.

[1976]

Closed [1986], [1992]

It became part of the FIVE WAYS next door in 1994.



c. 1986

HARGATE ARMS

Hargate Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Enterprise Inns [2001]

LICENSEES

Mary Lea [1992]

NOTES

It opened in the 1970's.
It was originally the CHINA CLIPPER. [1978]

Its name was changed to HARGATE ARMS in November 1996.

[2014]



c. 1986



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HARGATE TAVERN

123, (85), Hargate Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Benjamin Carter
William Morris
Mrs. Mary Jane Hadley Edwards, Chesterfield
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1945]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1954]

LICENSEES

William Morris [1872] – **1909**);
Thomas Moorhouse (**1909 – 1945**);
Sarah Moorhouse (**1945**);
John Edwin Guest (**1945 – 1948**);
James Reginald Guest (**1948 – 1951**);
Walter Frederick Hilton (**1951 – 1954**);
Albert James Bailey (**1954 – 1956**);
Leslie John Daniels (**1956 – 1957**);
James Arthur Brookes (**1957 – 1958**);
Charles Henry Griffiths (**1958 – []**)

NOTES

85, Hargate Lane [1881], [1888], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904], [1908]
123, Hargate Lane [1911], [1912]

HARGATE LANE TAVERN [1881]

It had a beerhouse license.

William Morris, beer retailer, Hargate Lane. [1872]

1881 Census

85, Hargate Lane – HARGATE LANE TAVERN
[1] *William Morris* (42), beer retailer, born Tipton;
[2] *Hannah Morris* (60), wife, born Rounds Green;
[3] *Mary J. Morris* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Morris, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 85, Hargate Lane. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908]

1891 Census

85, Hargate Lane
[1] *William Morris* (51), beerhouse keeper, born Tipton;
[2] *Hannah Morris* (70), wife, born Oldbury;
[3] *Louisa Morris* (26), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

85, Hargate Lane

- [1] *William Morris* (61), publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *Sarah Morris* (80), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Louisa Morris* (35), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lizzie Morris* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

123, Hargate Lane

- [1] *Thomas Moorhouse* (33), brewer, public house keeper, born Bradley;
- [2] *Louisa Moorhouse* (44), wife, married 2 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Moorhouse* (19), sister, general servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Moorhouse, beer retailer, 123, Hargate Lane. [1912]

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

Walter Frederick Hilton was married to *Sophia*.

They retired in 1954.

See also LODGE TAVERN.

James Arthur Brookes – see also PLUMBERS ARMS.

HARVILLS HAWTHORN TAVERN

Harvills Hawthorn, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Hancox [1845]

NOTES

James Hancox was also a hay and corn dealer. [1845]

HATELEY HEATH TAVERN

17, Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

J. Baggott, Hateley Heath
Patent Shaft and Axletree Co. Ltd., Wednesbury

LICENSEES

William Cooper [1891]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1891 Census

17, Hateley Heath – HATELEY HEATH TAVERN

[1] *William Cooper* (62), beerhouse keeper, born Curdworth, Warwickshire;

[2] *Ann M. Cooper* (51), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *George Cooper* (18), son, axle turner, born West Bromwich;

[4] *John Cooper* (15), son, fitter in tube factory, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Amanda* (20), domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

[No surname given for Amanda.]

The license was forfeited on 17th September 1896 on proof that the house was unwanted and had been vacant since December 1895.

HAWTHORN

245, Dial Lane, Harvills Hawthorn, Hill Top, (Golds Green), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Matthew Sheldon, Leabrook, Wednesbury
King and Barton, Sparkbrook Brewery, Birmingham
Hamilton Day and Co. [1903]
Rushton's Brewery Ltd. [1912]
Ansells Ltd. [1923]
Holt, Plant and Deakin [1989]

LICENSEES

John Smith [1835] – [1842]
Samuel Butler [1858] – [1861]
William Bath [1864]
Matthias Sheldon [1868] – [1873]
James Sheldon [1881]
Thomas Griffiths [1888] – **1898**;
Lewis Lloyd **(1898 – 1907)**;
Joseph Jones Snr. **(1907 – 1915)**;
Joseph Jones Jr. **(1915 – 1918)**;
Harry Jones **(1918 – 1947)**;
Mrs. Sarah Jones **(1947 – 1948)**;
John Edward Bloxham **(1948 – 1956)**;
Ernest William 'Billy' Pearce **(1956 – []**
J Hawkins [1983]
Steve Bruton []
Gaynor Page [1992]
Vince Kelly [1993]



Advert 1989

NOTES

Golds Green [1858]

HAWTHORN TAVERN [1858], [1861], [1881], [1891], [1906]
HAWTHORNS [1912]

It had a bowling green.

John Smith, beer retailer, Harvills Hawthorn. [1835], [1841]

Samuel Butler was also a shopkeeper. [1860], [1861]



1871 Census

Dial Lane

- [1] *Matthias Sheldon* (37), pig dealer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Sheldon* (34), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *James Sheldon* (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Matthias Sheldon* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Sheldon* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elizabeth Sheldon* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Elizabeth Hammonds* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Matthias Sheldon was also a pig dealer.

1881 Census

245, Dial Lane – HAWTHORN TAVERN

- [1] *James Sheldon* (24), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Charlotte A. Sheldon* (24), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Charlotte A. Sheldon* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Stokes* (28), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

245, Dial Lane – HAWTHORN TAVERN

- [1] *Thomas Griffiths* (50), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Amelia Griffiths* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Griffiths* (26), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Samuel Griffiths* (24), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Griffiths* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Henry Griffiths* (18), son, moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Thomas Griffiths* (16), son, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Ellen Griffiths* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Frederick Griffiths* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Griffiths – see also SOW AND PIGS.

Lewis Lloyd = *Lewes Lloyd*

1901 Census

245, Dial Lane

- [1] *Lewis Lloyd* (33), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Frances Lloyd* (29), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Annie Whitehouse* (21), domestic servant, born Tipton:

Wednesbury Leader 27/7/1906

“On Thursday Mr. James Clark (borough coroner) held an inquest at the HAWTHORN TAVERN, Dial Lane, Hill Top, concerning the death of Florence Mabel Woodin, aged fifteen weeks, whose parents live at 221, Dial Lane. The child had been healthy from birth, but its mother had been subject to fits, and early on the morning of the 26th inst, deceased, whilst in bed with its parents, was apparently seized with a fit. The mother at once went to the surgery of Dr. Sansome, but was unable to make anyone hear, and the child died in her arms. Police constable Jewson said the child had every appearance of having died in a fit. The jury returned a verdict of Death from Natural Causes.”

1911 Census

245, Dial Lane

- [1] *Joseph Jones* (53), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ada Jones* (42), wife, married 3 years, born Handsworth;
- [3] *Minnie Jones* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Daisy Jones* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Harry Jones was married to *Sarah*.
He died in 1947.

John Edward Bloxham – see also MANCHESTER STORES, Oldbury.

Steve Bruton's partner was *Fiona Turner*.

[2012]

It was converted into housing. [2014]



1996



2008

HAWTHORNS

2, Birmingham Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Sandwell Park Colliery Ltd.

William Edwin Dempster, Birmingham Road, West Bromwich [1904]

Samuel Allsopp and Sons Ltd. [1905]

Cheshire's Brewery Ltd. [1911]

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Edwin Dempster [1903] - **1908**);

Thomas Samuel 'Tom' Parker (**1908**);

Hezekiah Harris (**1908 - 1910**);

Arthur Harpley (**1910**);

Henry Anslow (**1910 - 1912**);

William Charles Waldren (**1912 - 1915**);

David North Mason (**1915 - 1916**);

Mrs. Maud Louisa Mason (**1916 - 1919**);

Frank Jones (**1919 - 1947**);

Leonard James Dyte (**1947 - 1961**);

Arthur William Ince (**1961 - []**)

Tony Webb [1992] - [1993]

NOTES

It was built on the site of Street House.

HAWTHORNS HOTEL [1904], [1911], [1912], [1913], [1921], [1934], [1938]

It was Grade II listed.

Thomas Parker - see also WAGGON AND HORSES, Great Bridge Street, Tipton.

1911 Census

HAWTHORNS HOTEL

[1] *Henry Anslow* (37), licensed victualler, born Cluniford, Shropshire;

[2] *Annie Anslow* (38), wife, married 11 years, assistant in business, born Edgmond, Newport, Shropshire;

[3] *Amy Anslow* (8), daughter, school, born Bilston;

[4] *William Sinott* (42), boarder, barman, born County Cork;

[5] *John Davies* (14), boarder, assistant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 11/1/1913

“The career of a runaway horse created a commotion in High Street, West Bromwich on Thursday afternoon. The animal was attached to a covered van belonging to a firm of Willenhall carriers, and had the bridle off for feeding purposes in front of the HAWTHORNS HOTEL, when he took fright and bolted. He dashed through the High Street at a furious pace. Several men made ineffectual attempts to stop the runaway, and once he was temporarily checked by the cart colliding with a tramway standard near Bull Street. Fortunately no accident occurred, and eventually the horse’s mad race was ended at Hill Top, over two miles from the spot where it started.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 18/1/1913

“George Cauldwell, a Birmingham man, was charged with stealing an overcoat from a West Ham supporter who came to see the Cup-tie on Saturday.

Mr. A. H. Hebbert appeared to defend.

Harry Clifton of Claystoke, Sussex, stated that on account of the match being postponed he went into The HAWTHORNS HOTEL. He was in the concert room when he missed his overcoat, which he had placed on a bench. Later PC Benton brought in prisoner, and witness identified the coat.

PC Benton stated that he stopped prisoner, and saw that he had the coat, and thinking something was suspicious he took him back to the hotel, where the coat was identified.

Mr. Hebbert, for the defence, said defendant had a stroke some time ago.

Defendant was fined 50s towards the costs.

PC Benton was complimented by the magistrates in strong terms.”

David North Mason was married to Maud Louisa.

Throstle Lodge (No.5319) of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes met here. [1935]

Smethwick Telephone 27/8/1938

“The Magistrates on Monday: Mr. James Hill. Mr. W. H. Harris and Mr. Joseph Darby, granted the application of Mr. *Frank Jones*, of the HAWTHORNS HOTEL, for occasional licenses in respect of the bars at the Hawthorns Football Ground, during the opening days of the football season.”

Frank Jones was president of the West Bromwich, Smethwick and Oldbury LVA. [1942], [1943], [1944], [1945], [1946]

[2008]

It closed in 2009. [2014]



2004



2014

HEN AND CHICKENS

90, Hill Top (90, High Street) (11, High Road) / Hawkes Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1986]

LICENSEES

Joseph Caddick [1818]
Joseph Belcher [1828] – [1845]
John Cattell [1849] – [1851]
Elkanah Boyes (1858 – 1878)
Samuel Lambert [1881]
Richard Quance (1886 – 1901);
Dohrety Owen [1889]?
Edwin Holden (1901 – 1902);
William McDonnell (1902);
Richard Albert Knowles (1902 – 1905);
Robert Thomas Stevenson (1905 – 1906);
William Thomas Dalton (1906 – 1907);
Thomas Green (1907 – 1910);
Benjamin Chambers (1910 – 1930);
Richard Henry Thomas Jackson (1930 – 1931);
Joseph Cooper (1931 – 1955);
Frank Victor Akers (1955 – 1957);
Leslie Horace Knight (1957 – 1959);
Robert Alexander Hunt (1959 – 1960);
Howard Heath (1960 – [1967])
Vic Baldwin (1967 – 1978)
Sham Singh [1992]
Kalbir and Gurinder Singh [2010]



c. 1940s



1986

NOTES

11, High Road [1861]
90, High Street, Hill Top [1901]
90, Hill Top [1911]

OLD HEN AND CHICKENS [1818]
HEN AND CHICKENS HOTEL [1911]

Joseph Caddick was also a farmer. [1818]

1841 Census

Hill Top

- [1] *Joseph Belcher* (40), publican, born Staffordshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Belcher* (30), born Staffordshire;
- [3] *Sarah Belcher* (9), born Staffordshire;
- [4] *Joseph Belcher* (7), born Staffordshire;
- [5] *Emma Belcher* (5), born Staffordshire;
- [6] *John Belcher* (3), born Staffordshire;
- [7] *Rebecca Belcher* (1), born Staffordshire;
- [8] *John Lowe* (50), ms, born Staffordshire:

Elkanah Boyes = *Alexander Boyes*

E. Boyes, beer retailer, Hill Top. [1858]

1861 Census

11, High Road

- [1] *Elkanah Boyes* (45), public house keeper, born Fazeley;
- [2] *Catherine Boyes* (44), wife, born Comberford, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Jane Martin* (19), daughter, married, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Boyes* (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Boyes* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Emma Boyes* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Eliza Boyes* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Paul Martin* (22), son in law, lock filer, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Paul Martin Junior* (4 months), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *John Edmonds* (25), lodger, blacksmith, born Pontego, Monmouthshire;
- [11] *Edward Morgan* (24), lodger, hitter iron works, born Pontego, Monmouthshire;
- [12] *Morgan Griffiths* (21), lodger, blacksmith, born Betivas, Glamorganshire:

Dudley Herald 22/5/1869

“*Elkanah Boyes*, landlord of the HEN AND CHICKENS, Wednesbury fined £5 and costs for permitting gambling.”

1871 Census

Hill Top – HEN AND CHICKENS

- [1] *Elkanah Boyes* (55), licensed victualler, born Fazeley;
- [2] *Catherine Boyes* (54), wife, born Comberford, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Mary Boyes* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Boyes* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Boyes* (14), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Paul Martin* (10), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Henry Hawkes* (32), lodger, labourer in iron works, born Cheltenham:

1881 Census

90, Hill Top – HEN AND CHICKENS

- [1] *Samuel Lambert* (57), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary A. Lambert* (56), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Isaiah Lambert* (24), son, coal boat loader, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah R. Lambert* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Samuel Lambert* (18), son, butcher's apprentice, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary C. Lambert* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *John A. Lambert* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

90, High Street – HEN AND CHICKENS

- [1] *Richard Quance* (59), widower, licensed victualler, born Road, Wiltshire;
- [2] *Walter C. Quance* (33), son, commercial clerk, born, West Bromwich;
- [3] *Phoebe J. Quance* (32), daughter in law, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Florence D. Quance* (7), granddaughter, scholar, born Essington, Staffordshire;
- [5] *Arthur Quance* (5), grandson, scholar, born Essington, Staffordshire;
- [6] *Walter C. Quance* (1), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Annie H. Tustin* (22), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Martha Griffin* (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Ellen E. Ridgway* (16), nurse, born Wolverhampton:

1901 Census

90 High Street, Hill Top

- [1] *Edwin Holden* (29), publican, born Worcester;
- [2] *Rose Holden* (40), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Frederick Smith* (13), stepson, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Louis Smith* (5), stepson, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [5] *Edwin T. Holden* (5 weeks), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Louisa Robinson* (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Richard Albert Knowles – see also DARTMOUTH ARMS, Paradise Street.

Wednesbury Leader 21/9/1906

“Forestry at Hill Top. On Saturday evening the annual dinner of Court Robin Hood, No.3662, took place at the HEN AND CHICKENS HOTEL, Hill Top. Upwards of fifty members sat down.....”

Wednesbury Leader 30/11/1906

“A most successful ‘smoker’ was held at the HEN AND CHICKENS HOTEL, Hill Top, under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Foresters Court, Robin Hood (3662), on Wednesday evening. There was a large attendance, presided over by His Worship the Mayor (Councillor J. E. Wilson).....”

William Thomas Dalton was fined 5s and costs, on 8th July 1907, for being drunk on his own licensed premises.

1911 Census

90, Hill Top

- [1] *Benjamin Chambers* (42), licensed victualler, born Bradley;
- [2] *Ellen Chambers* (47), wife, married 14 years, born Walsall:

Robert Alexander Hunt – see also BRIDGE.

Howard Heath – see also PRINCE ALBERT.

Vic Baldwyn was married to *May*.
See also ODDFELLOWS ARMS.

[2014]



2014

HEN AND CHICKENS

52, Messenger Lane / Reform Street, (52, Seagar Street), (52, Mayers Green), Mares Green, (Lyne), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Turner
Arthur Mason [1900]
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1935]

LICENSEES

Thomas Biddlestone [1834] – [1858]
William Biddlestone [1861]
William Mason [1864] – **1874**);
Emily Mason (**1874** – [1878]
Henry Turner [1878]
Thomas Turner [1881] – **1890**);
Arthur Mason (**1890** – **1920**);
Mrs. Ann Mason (**1920** – **1930**);
Miss Emily Emmy Mason (**1930** – **1931**);
Hubert Pryor Pearson (**1931** – **1934**);
Robert William Winspeare (**1934** – **1940**);
Charles Victor Hill (**1940** – **1941**);
Agnes Emily Hill (**1941** – **1944**);
James Bird (**1944** – **1952**);
Frederick Yates (**1952** – [1961]
Emily Yates [] – **1969**);

NOTES

52, Mayers Green [1881]
Seagar Street [1882]
52, Seagar Street [1891]
Messenger Lane and Reform Street [1896], [1904]
52, Messenger Lane [1901], [1911]

Thomas Biddlestone, beer retailer, Messenger Lane. [1835], [1841]

1841 Census

Mares Green

[1] *Thomas Biddlestone* (30), coal dealer;
[2] *Lydia Biddlestone* (30), wife;
[3] *William Biddlestone* (13), son;
[4] *Charles Biddlestone* (11), son;
[5] *Mary Biddlestone* (4), daughter;
[6] *Emily Biddlestone* (2), daughter;
[7] *Rebecca Biddlestone* (3 weeks), daughter;
plus one servant:

Thomas Biddlestone, coke dealer and beer retailer, Mares Green. [1845]

Thomas Biddlestone, beer retailer, Mare's Green. [1850]

1851 Census

Messengers Lane

- [1] *Thomas Biddlestone* (44), retail brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lydia Biddlestone* (44), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *William Biddlestone* (22), son, engine fitter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charles Biddlestone* (21), son, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Biddlestone* (19), daughter, dressmaker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Ann Biddlestone* (14), daughter, dressmaker, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Emily Biddlestone* (11), daughter, scholar at home, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Rebecca Biddlestone* (9), daughter, scholar at home, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Angelina Biddlestone* (7), daughter, scholar at home, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Lydia Biddlestone* (5), daughter, scholar at home, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Hannah Himmingsley* (29), house servant, born West Bromwich:

1861 Census

Messenger Lane - beerhouse

- [1] *William Biddlestone* (32), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Biddlestone* (29), wife, born Ireland;
- [3] *Lydia Biddlestone* (5), daughter;
- [4] *William Biddlestone* (3), son;
- [5] *Charles Biddlestone* (2), son:

William Mason, beer retailer, Messenger Lane. [1864]

Dudley Herald 30/7/1870

“The Nelsonic Crimson Oaks Friendly Society held their 33rd annual festival on Monday last at the house of the HEN AND CHICKENS, Mayers Green, West Bromwich.....”

1871 Census

Messenger Lane – HEN AND CHICKENS

- [1] *William Mason* (32), innkeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Emily Mason* (31), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Arthur Mason* (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lydia Biddlestone* (25), sister in law, born West Bromwich:

Midland Advertiser 20/4/1878

“William Grice was summoned for refusing to quit the licensed premises of Mr. *Henry Turner*, landlord of the HEN AND CHICKENS INN, Mayers Green.

Complainant said early on Friday last the defendant came in his house and was a little the worse for drink; he requested the defendant to go, which he did; but later in the day the defendant came again quite drunk and became quarrelsome. He requested him to go, but he refused to do so and used indecent language to the complainant.

There were several previous convictions against the defendant, and he was fined 40s and costs, or in default one month's imprisonment.”

1881 Census

52, Mayers Green HEN AND CHICKENS

- [1] *Thomas Turner* (39), licensed victualler, born Shipton, Oxfordshire;
- [2] *Emily Turner* (41), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Arthur Mason* (17), son in law, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Angilina Silvester* (37), sister in law, general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lydia Silvester* (14), niece, born West Bromwich:

Evening Star 3/2/1882

“A meeting of miners was held on Thursday night at the HEN AND CHICKENS INN, West Bromwich, in connection with the inauguration of the South Staffordshire and Worcestershire Miners’ Permanent Provident Society. Mr. Thomas Howkett presided. A resolution was passed expressing approval of the principles of the society, but a considerable number of miners did not vote, and it was intimated that the Sandwell Park colliers would not join the society, they having one of their own. At a meeting held in Oldbury last night a resolution in favour of joining the society was passed unanimously.”

Evening Star 5/4/1882

“Last night a crowded meeting was held in a large room at the HEN AND CHICKENS, Seagar Street, West Bromwich, respecting the wages question. Mr. S. Whitehouse, a working miner, was voted to the chair, and briefly called on Mr. H. Rust to explain the result of the interview with Mr. Fisher Smith, Lord Dudley’s agent and chairman of the trade, held that afternoon After further discussion, a resolution was passed ‘that this meeting pledges itself not to work at the reduction pending the decision of the trade, but those who can have the old wages are requested to go on’.”

Wednesbury Herald 26/1/1884

“An inquest was held on Monday at the HEN AND CHICKENS INN, Messenger Lane, by Mr. E. Hooper, on the body of George Melmus (17), assistant gardener at Dartmouth Park, who died suddenly on the previous Wednesday. On the night in question deceased went out of the lodge, where he resided with Mr. Brown, being at the time apparently in perfect good health. Subsequently he was found lying outside the greenhouse on his face, bleeding profusely from his nose, and in a dying condition. A doctor was called in, and expressed the opinion that deceased had died from heart disease.

A verdict of Death from Natural causes was returned. A subscription was raised on behalf of the deceased’s mother, who was in poor circumstances, the sum of £1 16s 6d being collected.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/11/1887

“West Bromwich Conservative Association Smoking Concert. The first of a series of Smoking Concerts arranged in connection with Sandwell Ward took place on Thursday night at the HEN AND CHICKENS INN, Myers (sic) Green – under the presidency of Mr. J. H. Cheshire. . . .”

1891 Census

52, Seagar Street – HEN AND CHICKENS

- [1] *Arthur Mason* (27), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Annie Mason* (25), wife, born Sandon, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Florence Mason* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur W. Mason* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emily E. Mason* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ann Mason* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Annie Duffield* (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Martha Law* (15), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 18/8/1900

“A somewhat alarming explosion of gas occurred on Saturday morning at the HEN AND CHICKENS INN, Reform Street, the property of Mr. *Arthur Mason*. It seems that gas had been accidentally allowed to escape from a cooking range in the kitchen, and suddenly there was a loud report, which could be heard some distance away. The damage done, however, was only slight, but some members of Mr. *Mason*’s family had a narrow escape from injury.”

1901 Census

52, Messenger Lane

- [1] *Arthur Mason* (37), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Mason* (35), wife, born Hilderstone, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Florence Mason* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur W. Mason* (13), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emily E. Mason* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Bertram Mason* (9), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Gertrude Mason* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

52, Messenger Lane

- [1] *Arthur Mason* (47), licensed victualler, spirit and beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Mason* (45), wife, married 26 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Mason* (25), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur W. Mason* (23), son, electrician, iron works, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emily Emma Mason* (22), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Bert Mason* (19), son, clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Gertrude Mason* (17), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich:

Arthur Mason died in 1920.

Ann Mason died on 1st January 1930.

She was the wife of *Arthur Mason*.

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

It closed on 8th June 1969.

HEN AND CHICKENS +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Smethwick Telephone 4/3/1899

“The Dartmouth Permanent Money Society – The sixth annual meeting of this society was held on Thursday evening at the registered office, HEN AND CHICKENS HOTEL, West Bromwich.”

HIGHLAND LADDIE

286, Spon Lane / Neal Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Mason, Trinity Road, West Bromwich
Samuel Withers, Bagnall Street, West Bromwich
William Downing, Holly Lane, Smethwick
The Uttoxeter Brewery Co. Ltd.
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Bates [1871] - **1875**);
George Freeman (**1875 - 1879**);
David Thompson (**1879 - 1888**);
Mrs. Phoebe Ann Thompson (**1888 - 1890**);
Joseph Richards (**1890**);
Elizabeth Pembrey (**1890 - 1891**);
Thomas Smith (**1891 - 1892**);
Alfred Wilkinson (**1892**);
Thomas Henry Bates (**1892 - 1893**);
William Harding (**1893 - 1895**);
William Wesson (**1895 - 1896**);
Arthur Edward Allen (**1896 - 1897**);
Joseph Plant (**1897 - 1899**);
Thomas William Potts (**1899 - 1901**);
Charles Henry Wilkins (**1901**);
Edward Davis (**1901 - 1903**);
Henry Vann (**1903 - 1917**);
John Horton (**1917 - 1921**);
Edward South (**1921 - 1926**);
Ewart Bickford Simcox (**1926 - 1927**);
Stanley George Buckle (**1927 - 1932**);
Thomas Edward Box (**1932 - 1935**);
George Thomas Smith (**1935 - 1940**);
Horace John Storer (**1940 - 1943**);
William John Worrell (**1943 - 1944**);
Thomas William Aspley (**1944 - 1946**);
William Boyle (**1946 - 1948**);
Thomas Davies (**1948 - 1949**);
George Albert Williams (**1949 - 1951**);
Frank Batchelor (**1951 - 1953**);
Kenneth John Evans (**1953 - 1954**);
George William James (**1954 - 1956**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Spon Lane – HIGHLAND LADDIE

[1] *John Bates* (57), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Eliza Bates* (58), wife, born West Bromwich:

John Bates, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1872]

1881 Census

286, Spon Lane

[1] *David Thompson* (46), publican, born Smethwick;

[2] *Phebe A. Thompson* (42), wife, born Brierley Hill;

[3] *Sarah A. Thompson* (19), daughter, born Smethwick;

[4] *David J. Thompson* (14), son, scholar, born Smethwick,

[5] *Hannah M. Thompson* (11), daughter, scholar, born Smethwick;

[6] *Mary E. Thompson* (8), daughter, scholar, born Smethwick;

[7] *Phebe E. Thompson* (5), daughter, scholar, born Smethwick:

West Bromwich Weekly News 19/11/1887

“Mr. E. Hooper (coroner) held an inquest on Tuesday at the HIGHLAND LADDIE, in Spon Lane, touching the death of Abraham Harris, aged 15, of Union Street, Spon Lane, who fell from a lift at Messrs. Kenrick’s Work, on Saturday morning. Mr. Fred Ryland was present on behalf of the firm.

Henry Harris, father of the deceased, stated that his son was engaged at Messrs. Kenrick’s as a core carrier, and on Saturday morning he called his son up at 5.15 to go to work, but did not see him as he left home before he got up. About seven o’clock he heard that the lad was hurt, and he went to the works and saw him dead in the lobby. Mr. Ryland then took him and showed him where the accident had occurred. He had never heard the boy complain about the place not being safe.

William Smith, of Parliament Street, a bricklayer, deposed that he was engaged on the new work at Kenrick’s on Saturday, and about half past seven, as he was about 50 yards away from the hydraulic lift he heard a crash, and on going to the lift he saw Mr. Harrison and Mr. Williams pick up the lad Isaac Richards, and take him to the lobby. He had to pass the hydraulic lift on going back, and he thought he would look at the trolley to see if it was smashed as it was upside down, when he saw another lad’s legs about a foot out of the lift, and he pulled the trolley from over him and got assistance to carry him to the lobby where he found he was dead. His neck was bleeding, and his head very much swollen. Dr. Pitt was sent for.

William Moore, a caster, stated that he saw deceased about 25 minutes past six in the morning, with Richards, near the top of the lift, taking the trolley along the lines about 25 yards away. They were doing their proper business, but he saw the lift was down and went to the bottom of the lift to tell the boy to send it up, but when he came back he heard the crash. He had to go down the steps to tell the lad to send the lift up. It was only a few minutes afterwards when he heard the crash, being still down below. He then began to shout, for he saw Richards on top of the trolley. He started for Richards’ father, and when he came back he heard that Harris had been found dead. They employed a boy to do nothing else but attend to the lift, and the electric light was burning immediately over the lift.

In reply to the Coroner witness stated that there was nothing to prevent the trolley going down if the lift was not up. The lads were not playing at all, and he told them the lift was not up. Sometimes the lads rode on the trolley and pushed it with their feet when he was away.

Mr. Ryland asked why Harris was there?

Witness said that he had received orders to go with him to fetch some patterns.

Mr. Ryland showed plans to the jury of the lift and its position. He stated that it was 22 feet from top to the bottom. The lad had no right whatever to have been at the lift, and that there had been a distinct breach of the rules, as they had instructions posted in the works with the names of the persons alone who could work the lift.

The Coroner asked if there could not be a possibility of having gates?

Mr. Ryland said they proposed to build a table as he did not like gates. The Factory Inspector had been there time after time, but could not foresee any more than himself that any danger could arise from it, but they had now decided that the place should always be covered by the table, which would lift up and down on the lift itself.

The Coroner said he had hoped having the other boy who fell present, but he found he was not able to attend, being still ill in the West Bromwich Hospital.

Abraham Richards, father of Isaac Richards, stated that he asked his boy on Sunday how it happened, when he told him that deceased got under the trolley and told him to push it, thinking that the lift was up, and it was pushed on and he knew no more. He thought it was the boy's own fault, for they well understood the work.

Mr. Ryland asked what brought the lad on the bottom of the trolley.

Witness said he wanted to have a ride, and they would not allow him to get on the top of the trolley. His lad was not seriously injured, and he thought he would be all right in a week or two. The trolley was about 3½ cwt.

The Coroner said it appeared very clear how the accident occurred, but he was quite sure Messrs. Kenrick would do all that they could to avoid such accidents occurring in the future. If the alteration Mr. Ryland suggested was made, it would obviate the possibility of any such accident in the future, and they could do no more.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death."

Smethwick Telephone 7/7/1888

"To let. HIGHLAND LAD INN, Spon Lane, West Bromwich. This well known and well accustomed beerhouse to be let. Death the sole cause of leaving: In same hands ten years....."

Phoebe Ann Thompson, beer retailer, 286, Spon Lane. [1888], [1889]

Smethwick Telephone 15/2/1890

"HIGHLAND LAD INN, Spon Lane, West Bromwich. Unreserved clearing out sale sell by auction the brewing plant and effects comprising cast iron boilers, mash tub, deal vats with lead pipe to cellar and brass tap, steps, barrel, casks, round tubs and other effects."

1891 Census

286, Spon Lane

[1] *Thomas Smith* (25), general labourer, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Annie Smith* (22), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Ada Smith* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Jabez Wilkes* (43), father, coal miner, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Jemima Wilkes* (43), mother, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Ada Keen* (12), visitor, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Smith, beer retailer, 286, Spon Lane. [1892]

William Harding, beer retailer, 286, Spon Lane. [1896]

Thomas William Potts, wine retailer, 286, Spon Lane. [1900]

West Bromwich Weekly News 31/3/1900

"William Woolley, ironworker, back of 268 Spon Lane, West Bromwich, was charged with refusing to quit the licensed premises of the HIGHLAND LADDIE INN, Spon Lane, on the 24th inst Evidence was given by *Thomas William Potts*, the landlord, his wife, Clara, and an independent witness named John Wallace to the effect that at 9pm on the night in question, defendant visited the inn in company with three other young men. They were supplied with a quart of fourpenny, and before this was consumed the defendant was heard by Mrs. *Potts* to use some offensive language towards a woman in the house. Mrs. *Potts* acquainted her husband of the fact, and the latter immediately requested Woolley to leave the premises. He thereupon used more obscene expressions, and it was not until the defendant's friends interfered that he could be induced to leave the place.- The defendant, who denied the offence was fined £1 2s 6d including costs, with the alternative of 21 days imprisonment. The Bench complimented Mr. *Potts* upon bringing the case into court."

1901 Census

286, Spon Lane

- [1] C. H. Wilkins (44), publican (beerhouse), born West Bromwich;
- [2] S. J. Wilkins (42), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] H. R. Wilkins (24), son, ironworker (bolter down at rolls), born West Bromwich;
- [4] A. C. Wilkins (20), son, fitter, turner of brass, born West Bromwich;
- [5] A. J. Wilkins (18), son, turner of iron, born West Bromwich:

Charles Henry Wilkins was fined £2 and costs, on 24th June 1901, for permitting drunkenness.

It was described as a house of disorderly character in August 1901.

Smethwick Weekly News 29/6/1901

“William Woolley, oliverman, of Spon Lane, was charged with refusing to quit the HIGHLAND LADDIE INN, Spon Lane, on the 24th inst, and also with assaulting *Charles Henry Wilkins*, the landlord. For the first offence defendant was fined 10s and costs, and the second charge was dismissed on payment of costs, the total amounting to £1 7s, or fourteen days imprisonment in default.”

Henry Vann, beer and wine retailer, 286, Spon Lane. [1904], [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

286, Spon Lane

- [1] *Henry Vann* (38), manager of public house, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Emma Vann* (36), wife, married 14 years, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Joseph Henry Vann* (12), son, school, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Ernest Vann* (11), son, school, born Birmingham;
- [5] *James William Vann* (8), son, school, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Violet Vann* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Edward Box – see also TALBOT, Dudley Street.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Dominoes League, South Division. [1946]

George Albert Williams – see also NEW HOP POLE.

The license was surrendered on the grant of a full license to The VINE, Hill Top. It closed at 10pm on 18th April 1956.

HOLLY BUSH

Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Pew [1818]
Pugh [1830]

HOP AND BARLEYCORN

Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Samuel Gregory, High Street, West Bromwich
W. H. Edmunds, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

William Thomas Shirley Bishop [] - **1876**);
Isaac Haywood (**1876 - 1878**);
Joseph Clare (**1878 - 1885**);
Edward Phibbs (**1885 - 1886**);
James W Stones (**1886 - 1887**);
Joseph Hayward (**1887 - []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

HOP AND BARLEYCORN

57, (27), Dartmouth Street / Duke Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Bradley
Myra Ashton
John Thomas Duffield
Charles Bailey (1)
Edward Bailey
Charles Bailey (2)
John Joule and Sons Ltd. [1929]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Enterprise Inns [2002]

LICENSEES

George Bradley [1861] – [1872]
Myrah Bradley [] – **1873**;
Thomas Ashton (**1873 – 1882**);
George Bradley (**1882 – 1886**);
Mrs. Myra Ashton (**1886 – 1891**);
John Holyoake Hale (**1891 – 1892**);
John Thomas Duffield (**1892 – 1897**);
Charles Bailey (1) (**1897 – 1899**);
Edward Bailey (**1899 – 1902**);
Mrs. Alice Bailey (**1902 – 1910**);
Charles Bailey (2) (**1910 – 1930**);
Bertram Povey (**1930**);
Sydney Noake (**1930 – 1933**);
Mrs. Comfort Wallice Noake (**1933 – 1934**);
Daniel Yates (**1934 – 1946**);
Albert Leslie Yates (**1946 – 1947**);
William Grundy (**1947 – 1957**);
Alan William Pitt (**1957 – 1959**);
Stanley North (**1959 – 1986**)
S Hindley [1992]



1997

NOTES

57, Dartmouth Street
27, Dartmouth Street [1881], [1891], [1912]

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.



2005

George Bradley, beer retailer, Dartmouth Street. [1861], [1864], [1870], [1872]

1861 Census

Dartmouth Street – Retail Brewers

- [1] *George Bradley* (58), engine fitter and retail brewer, born Shiffnale [Shifnal], Shropshire;
- [2] *Ann Bradley* (58), wife, born Halesowen;
- [3] *Myrah Bradley* (30), daughter, house assistant, born Tipton:

1871 Census

Dartmouth Street – HOP AND BARLEY CORN

- [1] *George Bradley* (68), retail brewer, born Stirchley, Shropshire;
- [2] *Myrah Bradley* (40), spinster, born Tipton:

1881 Census

27, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *Thomas Ashton* (55), beerhouse keeper, born Princes End;
- [2] *Myra Ashton* (50), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Annie Ashton* (36), daughter, dress maker, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harriet Bradley* (19), boarder, dress maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eugenie Tart* (25), visitor, born Oldbury:

Mrs. Myra Ashton, beer retailer, 27, Dartmouth Street. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

27, Dartmouth Street – HOP AND BARLEY CORN

- [1] *John H. Hale* (46), holloware turner and beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet M. Hale* (29), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Frederick H. Hale* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hilda Hale* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Archibald Hale* (10 days), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Hannah Parker* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

John Holyoake Hale, beer retailer, 27, Dartmouth Street. [1892]

John Thomas Duffield, beer retailer, 27, Dartmouth Street. [1896]

Edward Bailey, beer retailer, 27, Dartmouth Street. [1900]

1901 Census

27+29, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *Edward Bailey* (51), brewer and tavern keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Alice Bailey* (49), born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Charles Bailey* (29), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joseph Bailey* (27), son, printer's manager, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice Bailey* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Adelaide Bailey* (22), daughter, school teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Edith Bailey* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Maud Bailey* (16), daughter, school teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Nellie Bailey* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Marie Bailey* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Adelaide Darby* (42), sister in law, unmarried, born West Bromwich;

Charles Bailey (1) was married to *Alice*.

Mrs. Alice Bailey, beer retailer, 27, Dartmouth Street. [1904], [1908]

Wednesbury Leader 12/10/1906

“Mr. Lyon Clark (deputy coroner) held an inquest on Wednesday afternoon at the HOP AND BARLEYCORN INN, Dartmouth Street, West Bromwich, on the body of Charles Neads (51), formerly residing at Dartmouth Street, who committed suicide by hanging himself on Wednesday morning last.

Roger Charles Whitehaed Meads, residing with the deceased identified the body. He said deceased was a general dealer. He last saw deceased alive on Tuesday at dinner, when he appeared to be alright. Witness's attention was called to deceased on Wednesday morning at 7.15, by a little girl named Sarah Evans, who told him his father was hanging. Witness called his mother and they went together to the brewhouse. They found deceased hanging from the beam. He had a piece of rope round his neck. His mother cut deceased down and witness held him up. The mother was ill in consequence of the affair. Deceased got up at six o'clock on Wednesday morning, but this was usual. Deceased was in financial difficulties, but not seriously. He had a lot of money owing him, and he could not get it in. This had been a big trouble to him, and witness was afraid it had preyed upon his mind. Apart from these deceased had no other troubles. Witness had never heard deceased threaten to take his life. He did not threaten to take his life by saying he would clear off his debts in that way.

A servant, Sarah Evans (13), deposed that when she came to work on Wednesday morning she found deceased hanging in the brewhouse. Witness informed the son of what she had seen. She had never heard deceased threaten to take his life.

Police constable Smedley said he received a report of the death at 8am on Wednesday morning. There were no marks of violence on the body. Deceased appeared from his injuries to have worried over money troubles. He had not found that deceased had any other trouble.

The jury returned a verdict of Suicide while of Unsound Mind.”

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

1911 Census

27, Dartmouth Street

[1] *Charles Bailey* (39), brewer of beer and publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Alice Bailey* (39), wife, married 7 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Phyllis Dorothy Bailey* (6), born West Bromwich;

[4] *Sarah Jones* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Charles Bailey, beer retailer, 27, Dartmouth Street. [1912]

Charles Bailey (2) was president of the West Bromwich, Smethwick and District Licensed Trade Association. [1918]

He was chairman of West Bromwich, Smethwick and District Licensed Victuallers' Association. [1921]

Sydney Noake was married to *Comfort Wallice*.

Daniel Yates died in 1946.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

Stanley North was married to *Audrey*. She died in 1984.

Phoebe Stevens became his partner.

It closed in 2004.

It was demolished after it had attracted squatters and drug abusers. [2007]

HOPE

Witton Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Wednesbury Herald 18/12/1879

“Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner), held an inquest at the HOPE INN, Witton Lane, Hill Top, on Wednesday, relative to the death of Stephen Jenkins (30) an ironworker who was found dead in a brook on Sunday morning.

The evidence was to the effect that on Sunday morning two persons were passing the boundary brook near Witton Lane, they saw a man lying in the water. Information was given to the police, and Sergeant Curtiss went to the spot, and found the deceased in the water, his head only being covered, and being in a kneeling position. He was quite dead, and the body was removed to his late home. A witness named Newton said he saw the deceased on Saturday night, in an intoxicated state in Ridding Lane, and he supposed that in consequence of a dense fog which prevailed deceased missed his way and fell into the brook.

The jury returned a verdict of Found dead.”

HOPE AND ANCHOR

58, (48), Bull Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Dows, Claremont Villa, Cheltenham
Mrs. Mary Ann Parker
Joseph and Florence Mabel Parker
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1936]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Brookes [1881] – **1886**;
Mrs. Emma Brookes (**1886 – 1888**);
George Simmons (**1888 – 1912**);
Joseph Arthur Parker (**1912 – 1936**);
Joseph Poynton (**1936 – 1938**);
Charles Gibbons (**1938 – 1939**);
Frederick Thomas Court (**1939 – 1954**);
Albert William Finney (**1954 – []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

48, Bull Street – HOPE AND ANCHOR

- [1] *William Brookes* (47), licensed publican and plasterer, born Ludlow;
- [2] *Emma Brookes* (50), wife, born Newhall, Derbyshire;
- [3] *Emma Brookes* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Alice Brookes* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Agnes Brookes* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Brookes* (6), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Emma Brookes, beer retailer, 48, Bull Street. [1888], [1889]

George Simmons, beer retailer, 48, Bull Street. [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

1891 Census

48, Bull Street

- [1] *George Simmons* (54), publican, born Bilston;
- [2] *Mrs. G. Simmons* (52), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Sarah Simmons* (24), daughter, born Tipton;
- [4] *Lizzie Lane* (19), domestic servant, born Bilston:

1901 Census

48, Bull Street – HOPE AND ANCHOR

- [1] *G. Simmons* (64), beerhouse keeper, born Sedgley;
- [2] *Ann Simmons* (63), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Sarah A. Parker* (34), daughter, married, born Sedgley;
- [4] *J. A. Parker* (35), son in law, butcher – shopkeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Florence M. Parker* (1), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *M. J. Farrington* (17), female, general servant, born Bilston:

1911 Census

58, Bull Street

- [1] *George Simmons* (75), widower, publican, born Bilston;
- [2] *Joseph Arthur Parker* (45), son in law, butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Ann Parker* (46), daughter, married 15 years, born Bilston;
- [4] *Florence Mable Parker* (11), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Arthur Parker* (7), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Maud Loach* (17), servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Alice Meese* (18), servant, born Bilston:

Joseph Arthur Parker was fined £5 and £3 3s 0d special costs, on 16th October 1912, for selling over measure of beer.

Albert William Finney – see also LEOPARD.

A Publican's License was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 25th April 1949.



HOP POLE

32, (38), (30), Holloway Bank, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Sarah Hampson, Holloway Bank, West Bromwich
William Jinks, Bagnall Street, West Bromwich
Miss Annie Jinks (later Hampson)
David Jinks
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1934]

LICENSEES

William Jones [1872] - **1876**);
William Jinks (**1876 - 1886**);
Richard Jinks (**1886 - 1895**);
William Jinks (**1895 - 1909**);
Annie (Jinks) Hampson (**1909 - 1933**);
David Hampson [1911]
David Jinks (**1933 - 1934**);
Richard Joseph Thursfield (**1934 - 1935**);
Alfred Parkes (**1935 - 1937**);
George William Newbould (**1937 - 1948**);
Sidney Roobottom (**1948 - 1955**);
Joseph Richards [1940's] ?

NOTES

38, Holloway Bank [1891]
30, Holloway Bank [1901]
32, Holloway Bank [1911]

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.

William Jones, beer retailer, Holloway Bank. [1872]

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/7/1887

“An inquest was held on Friday morning, at the HOP POLE INN, Hill Top, by Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, touching the death of two brothers, named Albert and Ernest Deeley, aged seven and four, respectively, residing at Holloway Bank, Hill Top.

Susannah Deeley, mother of the children, stated that she last saw the little one at 12.30 on Wednesday, when he was playing in the yard. Albert she had not seen for half an hour previously. She went to look after them shortly afterwards down the fields. She thought the younger one was in the yard at the time, and she again went towards 12 o'clock, when she met a little boy who told her child was in the canal. She made an alarm and went to the place, but saw nothing of them. She asked the boy where they were, and he pointed to the place where they got them out of the water. She kept the eldest from school because he was ill and lame.

Thomas Aston (a youth too young to have the oath administered to him) stated that Ernest Deeley was stooping down to get some cork out of the water, when he fell in. Albert tried to get him out when he fell in also. Witness stated that he then laid hold of Albert's hand, but he loosed again. He ran and told Albert's mother about it. Charles Robbins, boatman, stated that at 12.30 on the date in question he heard the alarm as he was sitting at his back door, near to the bridge, when he went with a boat shaft and got them out, they were both dead. He saw the corks floating on the water that the children had been after. It was 20 minutes before he succeeded in finding them. The Jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death."

Richard Jinks, beer retailer and joiner, 38, Holloway Bank, Hill Top. [1888]

Richard Jinks, beer retailer, 38, Holloway Bank, Hill Top. [1889]

1891 Census

38, Holloway Bank – HOP POLE INN

[1] *William Jinks* (59), publican, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Eliza Jinks* (59), wife, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Richard Jinks* (29), son, joiner, born West Bromwich:

[Richard held the license in 1891 according to the licensing register.]

William Jinks, beer retailer, 52, Holloway Bank, Hill Top. [1894], [1896], [1900], [1904]

Smethwick Weekly News 9/2/1901

"Mr. J. W. Green sold by auction, at the HOP POLE INN, freehold property known as Kimberley House, Harwood Street, estimated to produce £19 per annum. The sum realised was £290."

1901 Census

30, Holloway Bank – HOP POLE INN

[1] *William Jinks* (68), beer retailer, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Eliza Jinks* (66), wife, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Annie Jinks* (36), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Richard Jinks* (38), son, unmarried, general carpenter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Annie Jinks* (17), granddaughter, pupil teacher, born West Bromwich:

Annie Jinks married a Mr. *Hampson* c. 1910.

1911 Census

32, Holloway Bank – HOP POLE

[1] *David Hampson* (39), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Annie Hampson* (41), wife, married 12 months, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Richard Jinks* (50), brother in law, carpenter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Mary Wardle* (40), servant, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Richards was married to *Eleanor*.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

The license was surrendered, on 19th April 1955, on the confirmation of a full license to the FORRESTERS ARMS, Ault Street.

HORNTPIPE

High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

[1982]

HORSE AND JOCKEY

2, Hall Street, (Lyng Lane), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Marson, 75, High Street, Dudley
John Marston, Lyng Lane, West Bromwich
Arthur James Price, Lewisham Brewery, West Bromwich
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1909]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

Thomas Harrison [1864] – **1875**);
Henry Mason (**1875 – 1882**);
Joseph Bird (**1882 – 1896**);
John Hancox (**1896 – 1902**);
John Arthur Mason (**1902 – 1903**);
Joseph Pearsall (**1903 – 1905**);
William Henry Lyndon (**1905 – 1922**);
Horace Simpkin (**1922 – 1923**);
Thomas Edward Beattie (**1923 – 1929**);
Joseph Henry Beckley (**1929 – 1939**);
Jack Langford (**1939 – 1941**);
Kathleen Mary Langford (**1941 – 1945**);
Wallace John Clifford Edwards (**1945**);
George Holyhead (**1945 – 1950**);
Jim Williams (**1950 – 1953**);
Elsie Mary Moseley (**1953 – 1955**);
Beatrice Mary Higginson (**1955 – 1958**);
Harriet Bevin (**1958 – []**)
Alfred Bevin [c. 1960] – [c. 1963]

NOTES

Lyng Lane [1871]
2, Hall Lane [1891]

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Harrison, beer retailer, Hall Street. [1868], [1872]

1871 Census

Lyng Lane
[1] *Thomas Harrison* (45), publican, born Marchington, Staffordshire;
[2] *Martha Harison* (59), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] *Sarah Hacket* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Bird, beer retailer, 2, Hall Street. [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

2, Hall Street

- [1] *Joseph Bird* (56), publican, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Mary Bird* (53), wife, born Stourport;
- [3] *James Bird* (29), son, time keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Margaret Bird* (26), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Thomas Bird* (20), son, spring maker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Esther Bird* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *John T. Bird* (16), son, telegram messenger, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

2, Hall Street

- [1] *John Hancox* (57), unmarried, public house manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Duffield* (45), housekeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alice Duffield* (24), soap wrapper, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ann Duffield* (21), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Bailey* (20), boarder, soap wrapper, born Wolverhampton;
- [6] *Rose Duffield* (9), boarder, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Gertrude Duffield* (4), boarder, born West Bromwich:

William Henry Lyndon, beer retailer, 2, Hall Street. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

2, Hall Street

- [1] *William Henry Lyndon* (59), beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Martha Lyndon* (59), wife, married 38 years, assistant business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Olive J. Lyndon* (23), daughter, assistant business, born Smethwick:

Horace Simpkin – see also COACH AND HORSES.

Thomas Edward Beattie – see also BRIDGE, Spon Lane and PLUMBERS ARMS, Hargate Lane.

Joseph Henry Beckley – see also STAR, Smethwick.

Alfred Bevin was married to Harriet.

See also RAILWAY, Harwood Street.

HORSE AND JOCKEY

49, (20), Stoney Lane (Stonehill Lane) / St. Clements Lane, (Summer Street), Lyndon, (Mare's Green), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Cotterill
Chesters Brewery Co. Ltd. (acquired in 1895)
North Worcestershire Breweries Ltd. [1898]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. (acquired in 1909) [1910]

LICENSEES

Charles Cotterill [1818] – [1851]
Sarah Cotterill [1858]
William Cotterill [1860] – [1873]
Mrs. Mary Wilkins [1881]
Francis Adams [1888] – **1891**;
James Edward Ransom [1889] ?
Edwin Pointon **(1891 – 1895)**;
Joseph Swift **(1895 – 1896)**;
Alfred Paley **(1896 – 1898)**;
John Swift **(1898)**;
Edward Downs **(1898)**;
Mrs. Maria Downs **(1898 – 1900)**;
Charles Herbert William Phillips **(1900 – 1901)**;
Robert Dawson **(1901 – 1902)**;
George Calloway **(1902 – 1903)**;
Matthew Albert Magness **(1903 – 1904)**;
Albert William Meller **(1904 – 1905)**;
William Burton **(1905 – 1909)**;
John Purshall Fox **(1909 – 1911)**;
Frederick Green **(1911 – 1913)**;
Josiah Hall **(1913)**;
William Henry Field **(1913 – 1914)**;
Christina Butler **(1914)**;
George Sutton **(1914 – 1921)**;
Helen Cupples **(1921 – 1930)**;
John Mann **(1930 – 1932)**;
Matthew Owen Shutt **(1932 – 1935)**;
James Macfarlane **(1935 – 1938)**;
Walter Watts **(1938 – 1940)**;
Thomas Joseph Oakley **(1940 – 1941)**;
Alfred Bernard Timmins **(1941 – 1944)**;
George Kitchener Stapenhill **(1944 – 1949)**;
James Lane **(1949 – 1951)**;
Frank Chatwin **(1951 – 1952)**;
William Parker **(1952 – 1959)**;
Gladys May (Parker) Stevens **(1959 – [1961])**



1986



2005



2014

Peter Fay [1973]
Terence R Skelding [1976]
Michael Henderson [1992]
Gordon Brindley and Linda Davies [2008]

NOTES

Stonehill Lane [1835], [1841], [1842]
Stoney Lane [1849], [1896]
Summer Street [1858]

HORSE AND GROOM [1835], [1841], [1842]

Charles Cotterill = Charles Cottrill

Charles Cotterill was also a horse dealer [1818], [1828], [1830], [1834]
He was described as a horse dealer and farmer [1845], [1849], [1850]

William Cotterill = William Cottrell
He was also a surveyor. [1860]

1861 Census

Stoney Lane

- [1] *William Cotterill* (21), miner, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Susannah Cotterill* (27), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Mary Ann Ronalson Cotterill* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Henry Cotterill* (6), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Isaiah Cotterill* (2), son, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

Stony Lane – HORSE AND JOCKEY

- [1] *Mary Wilkins* (55), widow, innkeeper, born Hugglescote, Leicestershire;
- [2] *Selina Hutchinson* (29), daughter, born Moreston, Leicestershire;
- [3] *Selina M. Hutchinson* (5), granddaughter, born Moreston, Leicestershire;
- [4] *Harry Hutchinson* (3), grandson, born Moreston, Leicestershire:

1891 Census

20, Stoney Lane – HORSE AND JOCKEY Pub. House

- [1] *Edwin Pointon* (36), licensed victualler's manager, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Agnes Pointon* (30), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Agnes M. Pointon* (9), daughter, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Edwin Pointon* (8), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [5] *Frederick Pointon* (5), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [6] *May Pointon* (3), daughter, born Birmingham;
- [7] *Sarah Worton* (19), general servant, born Dudley:

Edward Downs was married to *Maria*.
He died in 1898.

Mrs. *Maria Downs*, beer retailer, Stoney Lane. [1900]

1901 Census

Stoney Lane – HORSE AND JOCKEY

[1] *Robert Dawson* (37), licensed victualler, born Scotland;

[2] *Susannah Dawson* (27), wife, born Oxford;

[3] *Robert Dawson* (5), son, born Birmingham;

[4] *Thomas Dawson* (2), son, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Munro Wilson* (20), barman, born America:

Matthew Magness, beer retailer, Stoney Lane. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 21/12/1906

“*William Burton*, licensee of the HORSE AND JOCKEY INN, Stoney Lane, was charged with selling intoxicants to a drunken man named *William Taylor*, on Saturday, the 1st inst.

Mr. Clulow (Birmingham) prosecuted, and *Mr. J. S. Sharpe* defended.

Mr. Clulow explained that at 10 o'clock on Saturday the 1st inst, *PC Shirley*, in company with *PC Rushton*, paid a visit to the house in question. The house was at present undergoing alterations. Upon entering the two officers found the man *Taylor* leaning upon the bar counter. He was at the moment having a drink from a glass, which it was believed contained rum and aniseed. Upon going to the man they found that he was drunk. The man was under the constant observation of the landlord, and when the officers spoke to the latter he said: ‘It is alright, officer; I did not know he was there; he has only been a few minutes; the servant girl must have served him.’ *Taylor* was then taken to the station and asked his name. He was in such a condition, however, that he could not give it; he also became very noisy.

PC Shirley bore out *Mr. Clulow*’s statement and said that in consequence of hearing a noise in the public house they went inside and there discovered the defendant *Taylor* in the state described.

PC Rushton corroborated this evidence.

Mr. Sharpe, for the defence, admitted the drunkenness. The circumstances were somewhat exceptional, and he contended that the offence did not come within the meaning of the Act. He explained that shortly before ten o'clock the man *Taylor* entered the public house, followed by a woman named *Perry*. She went to the outdoor department and ordered a drink for him and herself, and the landlord did not know that the drink was for the man in question. It was while they were having drinks that the officers came in.

The Stipendiary remarked that a technical offence had been committed, and in view of this he would be leniently dealt with. A fine of 10s and costs, £3 11s 6d in all, was imposed.

The case against *Taylor*, who resides in Lyndon, was next heard. The offence was admitted and defendant was fined 7s 6d and costs, or 14 days.”

William Burton, beer retailer, Stoney Lane. [1908]

Indenture dated 28/10/1909

“All that plot of land containing 342 superficial square yards or thereabouts situate in Stoney Lane Lyndon West Bromwich in the County of Stafford. And also all that messuage or public house called The HORSE AND JOCKEY and the cottage and other erections and buildings erected and built and now standing and being on the said plot of land.....”

Gladys May Parker married a *Mr. Stevens*.

A 1990's television advert made for Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd., and featuring wolves descending into a pub cellar, was filmed here.

[2014]

HORSE SHOE

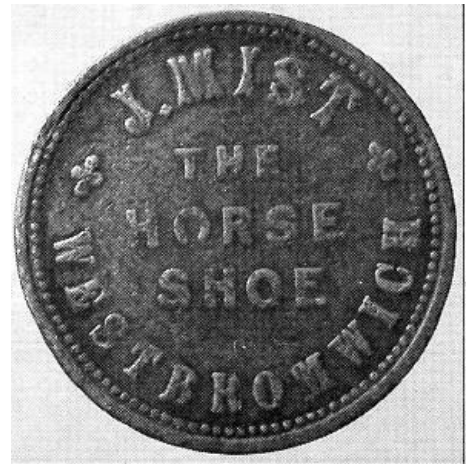
198, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

M. W. Birch, High Street, West Bromwich
Arden Grove Brewery Co., Langley, Oldbury
William Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

J Mist []
Joseph Bettany [] - **1871**);
John Rolfe (**1871**);
Peter Greenfield (**1871 - 1872**);
Frederick Perry (**1872 - 1875**);
George Askin (**1875 - 1882**);
Walter Enoch Middleton (**1882**);
Harry Hamer Powderhill (**1882 - []**)
Ampliss Fox [] - **1883**);
George Woodhall (**1883 - 1884**);
William Blackham (**1884**);
Harry Hamer Powderhill (**1884 - 1887**);
James Robert 'Bob' Roberts (**1887 - 1888**);
Ampliss Fox (**1888 - []**)
George Woodhall [1889] - **1890**);
Arthur Henry Green (**1890 - 1893**);
Sarah Whitehouse (**1893 - 1894**);
Thomas Dimbylow (**1894**);
William Ezra Bynion (**1894 - 1896**);
Benjamin Pickering (**1896 - 1901**);
Thomas England (**1901 - 1902**);
Thomas William Manyer (**1902**);
Ernest Caulkett (**1902**);
James Haywood (**1902 - 1903**);
Louisa Crossley (**1903**);
John Beasley (**1903 - 1904**);
Elijah Jukes (**1904 - 1905**);
William Edmund Kilby (**1905 - 1906**);
William Jones Roberts (**1906 - 1907**);
John Hill (**1907 - 1909**);
William George (**1909 - 1926**);
William Burton Walker (**1926 - 1928**);
George Powell (**1928**);
Harry Green (**1928 - 1931**);
Samuel Penn Snr. (**1931 - 1932**);
Samuel Penn Jr. (**1932**);
Charles Gibbons (**1932 - 1933**);
John Clark Trueman (**1933 - 1935**);
Oscar Frederick Aston Phillpot (**1935**);
Henry John Clarke (**1935 - 1938**);



Token

Thomas Charles Lewis (1938 - 1940);
Benjamin Francis (1940);
Elizabeth Jones (1940 - 1941);
Leopold Loon (1941 - 1943);
Gladys Beatrice (Perkins) Whitehouse (1943);
William Dean (1943 - 1946);
Leslie Edward Williams (1946 - 1947);
John Hadley (1947 - 1948);
George Morris (1948 - []
Sidney Scragg [1951]
Stanley Harry Meredith [1965]
Roland Ernest Copus [] - 1976):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

J. Mist issued tokens.

1871 Census

High Street

[1] *John Rolfe* (40), fitter, born Northampton;

[2] *Mary Ann Rolfe* (37), wife, born Chirk, Denbighshire;

[3] *Mary Ann Rolfe* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

George Askin = George Askins

1881 Census

198, High Street – HORSE SHOE

[1] *George Askin* (41), carver and gilder and beer seller, born Kates Hill;

[2] *Ann Maria Askin* (39), wife, born Great Bridge;

[3] *George Edward Askin* (15), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Beatrice Ellen Askin* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Violet Effie Askin* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Betsy Askin*, (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[7] *William Frederic Askin* (6), son, born West Bromwich;

[8] *John Middleton Askin* (4), son, born West Bromwich;

[9] *Elizabeth Tinsley* (23), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

George Askin – see also MALT SHOVEL.

Wednesbury Herald 28/10/1882

“At the West Bromwich Police Court on Saturday, before Messrs. G. C. Adkins, Ralph Heaton, and J. H. Pearson (magistrates), *Henry Hamer Powderhill*, the landlord of the HORSE SHOE, High Street, was summoned for having his house and premises open after eleven o'clock on the 14th October for the sale of beer.

Mr. Sharpe defended.

Police-constable Bishop stated that he saw the defendant about 11.30 on the 14th inst, leave his own premises with something in his pocket. He went into Mr. Simcox's, butcher, and witness followed. He found defendant with a bottle of ginger ale. Defendant said, 'This is ginger ale; have some?' Witness drank some of the ginger ale. Defendant also went out and brought two more bottles.

Mr. Sharpe said he would ask the Clerk whether he had any offence to answer.

The Clerk (Mr. Hebbert): I am not sure about it. I believe the authorities have analysed this ginger ale, and find it to contain such a large amount of alcohol that it is believed to be intoxicating.

Mr. Sharpe: But is it intoxicating?

Mr. Hebbert: I am told so.

Mr. Sharpe: I am afraid I shall have to have the analysts present to prove that.

Mr. Heaton: He was not keeping his house open for the sale of drink?

Mr. Sharpe: No.

Mr. Heaton: We think it is drawing the spring too tight.

Mr. Sharpe: If the defendant is a guilty party the policeman ought to stand with him.

Mr. Heaton: He found it 'a dry night' as well then. (Laughter)

The case was dismissed.”

Smethwick Telephone 12/4/1884

“West Bromwich Police Court. George Thompson (24) of West Smethwick refused to quit the HORSE SHOE INN, High Street, West Bromwich and assault on Police constable Comerford.....”

- He was fined 55s including costs.

West Bromwich Weekly News 16/7/1887

“*Robert James Roberts* (sic) HORSESHOE INN, High Street, was charged with selling beer without a license.

PS Ainsworth stated that on the 3rd he visited defendant's house and found men drinking. He had failed to get his license renewed the previous day, and was ordered to close his house, but he had been advised by Mr. Jackson and Mr. Hetherington to open.

Mr. Jackson defended, and said that Mr. *Roberts* was the best goalkeeper in England if not the best Innkeeper. The magistrates clerk had been entrusted with the making out of the notices, and had failed to let him know of it. He admitted there was a technical offence, but he was sure he was the last person in the world to treat the police or the Magistrates with contempt.

The Clerk said it was not a serious offence, but it caused some confusion, and it was these people's duty to look after the matter.

Major Williams said there appeared no intention to evade the law, and he would be let off on payment of the costs.”

The F. A. Cup was displayed here in 1888.

Smethwick Telephone 31/8/1889

“*George Woodhall* of the HORSE SHOE INN, High Street beer retailer.....”

Bob Roberts played football in goal for West Bromwich Albion.

1891 Census

198, High Street

[1] *Arthur H. Green* (25), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Jane Green* (23), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Harry Green* (1), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Elizabeth Woodward* (16), visitor, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Sarah Hale* (40), visitor, widow, spring maker, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Sarah A. Howl* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Arthur Green, beer retailer, 198, High Street. [1892]

William Ezra Bynion, beer retailer, 198, High Street. [1896]

1901 Census

198, High Street – HORSE SHOE INN

[1] Benjamin Pickering (47), beerhouse keeper, born Wolverhampton;

[2] Elizabeth Pickering (45), wife, born Wolverhampton;

[3] Elizabeth Pickering (21), daughter, born Wolverhampton;

[4] Albert Pickering (20), son, born Wolverhampton:

Smethwick Weekly News 17/8/1901

“Thomas England, licensee of the HORSE SHOE INN, High Street, West Bromwich, was charged with permitting drunkenness on Bank Holiday, and also with supplying ale to a drunken person. Robert Long of Braybrook Street, West Bromwich, was summoned for being drunk on the premises on the date in question.

Mr. Pritchett (instructed by Mr. F. Dawes, Oldbury) defended *England*.

Detective Smedley said he had reason to visit the HORSE SHOE INN, on the evening of Bank Holiday concerning an alleged theft of a watch, and he found Long there sitting in a drunken condition. He saw him drink from a glass containing beer. When he spoke to the landlord about it the latter asked if it would cost him much. He had only served him with three pints and a half of fourpenny.

Inspector Sykes and PC Hall also gave evidence.

For the defence Mr. Pritchett denied that Long was drunk. *England* had only had the management of the house eight weeks.

England was fined 20s and 13s 6d costs, and Long 2s 6d and 9s 6d costs.....”

Thomas William Manyer – see also PLUMBERS ARMS.

Elijah Jukes, beer retailer, 198, High Street. [1904]

A team from here took part in the Sandwell Darts League. [1946]

[1956]

Horse Shoe Inn,
HIGH STREET,
WEST BROMWICH,
WILL BE OPENED AS A
RESTAURANT & REFRESHMENT ROOMS
BY
WRIGHT'S DINING ROOMS,
OF WALSHALL, WOLVERHAMPTON, LEICESTER,
COVENTRY, AND DUDLEY.
BREAKFASTS, DINNERS,
TEAS AND SUPPERS.
HOT JOINTS DAILY, FROM 12 A.M. TO 10 P.M.
HOME-CURED HAM COLD ROAST BEEF.
OX TONGUE. A LA MODE BEEF.
PARTIES AND PIC-NICS CATERED FOR AT REASONABLE TERMS.
FINE HOME-BREWED ALE.
GUINNESS'S STOUT. BASS'S ALE.
Accommodation for Cyclists.

INKERMAN COTTAGE

21, Old Meeting Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Sarah Rolfe, Wednesfield Heath
John Charles Bayliss Rolfe, Quadrant, Duddeston Mill Road, Birmingham
King and Barton Ltd. [1904]
Rushton's Brewery Ltd. [1912]
Ansell's Ltd. [1923]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Sabina Wright [1864]
Henry Rolfe [1864] - **1880**);
William Woodhall (**1880 - 1883**);
Sabina Mary Wright (**1883 - 1887**);
Charles Rolfe (**1887**);
Daniel Munslow (**1887 - 1888**);
Henry Johnson (**1888 - 1890**);
Richard Wetton [1888] ?
Edward Phillips (**1890 - 1891**);
Thomas Capsey (**1891 - 1904**);
George Sturgess (**1904 - 1905**);
Thomas Walton (**1905 - 1911**);
Mrs. Eliza Ann Walton (**1911**);
Mrs. Hannah Farham (**1911 - 1913**);
John Golding (**1913 - 1921**);
Herbert Joseph 'Joe' Field (**1921 - 1931**);
Mrs. Maud Mary Field (**1931 - 1934**);
Anthony Miller (**1934 - 1935**);
George Alfred Reece Allen (**1935**);
Joseph Thomas 'Joe' Connor (**1935 - 1940**);
Beatrice Marie Connor (**1940 - 1942**);
Joseph Thomas 'Joe' Connor (**1942 - 1952**);
John George Giles (**1952 - 1954**);
Thomas Frederick Hansford (**1954 - 1957**);
Ian Thomas Turner (**1957 - 1958**);
Alfred Herbert Wareham (**1958**);
Thomas Reuben John Hiron (**1958 - []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Henry Rolfe, beer retailer, Carters Green. [1864]

Henry Rolfe, beer retailer, Old Meeting Street. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Old Meeting Street – INKERMAN COTTAGE

[1] *Henry Rolfe* (40), widower, retail brewer, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Betsy Rolfe* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Joseph Rolfe* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Sarah Rolfe* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Henry Rolfe* (5), son, school, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 4/10/1879

“*Henry Rolfe*, INKERMAN COTTAGE, Old Meeting Street, West Bromwich, retail brewer, filed his petition in the Oldbury County Court, on Monday, with liabilities amounting to £200, and assets not yet ascertained. Messrs. Jackson and Sharpe, West Bromwich, are solicitors for the debtor.”

1881 Census

21, Old Meeting Street

[1] *William Woodhall* (51), pistol filer, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Rebecca Woodhall* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Samuel Woodhall* (26), son, pistol filer, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Peter Woodhall* (22), son, gardener, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Elizabeth Woodhall* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Richard Wetton, beer retailer, 21, Old Meeting Street. [1888]

The license was not transferred on 7th August 1888.

[Check Henry Johnson]

Henry Johnson, beer retailer, 21, Old Meeting Street. [1889]

Sabina Mary Wright, beer seller, 21, Old Meeting Street. [1889]

Daniel Munslow, beer retailer, 21, Old Meeting Street. [1889]

- All three appeared in the same directory.

Edward Phillips was fined 20s and costs, on 22nd September 1890, for permitting drunkenness.

1891 Census

21, Old Meeting Street – INKERMAN COTTAGE

[1] *Thomas Capsey* (30), beerhouse keeper, born Birmingham;

[2] *Florence Capsey* (29), wife, born Plymouth:

Thomas Capsey, beer retailer, 21, Old Meeting Street. [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

25 (?), Old Meeting Street – INKERMAN Public House

[1] *Thomas Capsey* (40), beer retailer, born Birmingham;

[2] *Florence Capsey* (38), wife, born Plymouth;

[3] *Annie Maria Hunt* (23), barmaid, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Capsey – see also WAGGON AND HORSES, High Street.

Smethwick Weekly News 13/4/1901

“In connection with the West Bromwich Quoiting League, the INKERMAN COTTAGE Club, Carters Green, played COPHALL TAVERN, Great Bridge, on the latter’s ground.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 12/10/1901

“INKERMAN COTTAGE Quoit Club. The first annual dinner in connection with the above club was held at the INKERMAN COTTAGE INN, Old Meeting Street, on Thursday evening. Mr. *T. Capsey* presided over a good attendance of members and friends, including Messrs. E. H. Smith (secretary).....”

Smethwick Weekly News 22/11/1902

“West Bromwich and Smethwick Licensed Trades Association. On Thursday afternoon a meeting of the committee of this association was held at the INKERMAN COTTAGE INN, Old Meeting Street, Carters Green. Councillor J. S. Round, of Smethwick, presiding over a good attendance.

The president was congratulated upon his election to the Smethwick Town Council.

It was decided to postpone the united conference in the licensing trade interests in the district until a date to be appointed in March.

Delegates were appointed to attend four kindred association dinners.

A report of the association’s dinner committee was presented, the secretary (Councillor E. Pointon) being complimented upon the success of the arrangements.

Six new members were admitted, making a total membership of the association to date of 200.”

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich and Tipton Quoits League. [1903], [1906]

Thomas Walton, beer retailer, 21, Old Meeting Street. [1908]

He was married to *Eliza Ann*.

1911 Census

23-21, Old Meeting Street

[1] *Eliza Ann Walton* (38), widow, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Blanche Emily Walton* (20), boarder, typist and shorthand writer, born Leicester;

[3] *Gertrude Walton* (9), daughter, born Leicester;

[4] *Thomas Outhwaite Walton* (4), son, school, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Alice Burkett* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Hannah Farham = *Hannah Faram*

Mrs. Hannah Faram, beer retailer, 21, Old Meeting Street. [1912]

Herbert Joseph Field was married to *Maud Mary*.

He died in 1931.

ISLAND

Kenrick Way, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Island Inn Ltd.

LICENSEES

Dal Singh [2012]

NOTES

[1996]

[2014]



2008



2014

JENNY LIND

7, Rydding Lane, (5, Allerton Lane), 1, Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Patent Shaft and Axletree Co. Ltd., Wednesbury

LICENSEES

James Richards [] - **1871**);
James Wright (**1871** - [1873]
Joseph Hickman [1881]
Mrs. Elizabeth Hickman [1888] - **1903**):

NOTES

JENNY LIND ARMS [1881]

1881 Census

Rydding Lane – JENNY LIND ARMS

- [1] *Joseph Hickman* (57), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Elizabeth Hickman* (55), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Thomas Hickman* (37), son, coal miner, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joseph Hickman* (11), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Randle* (26), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Frederick Randle* (3), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *George Henry Hickman* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *John Hawthorn* (23), son in law, coal miner, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Sarah Ann Hawthorn* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Mary Ann Tilley* (79), mother in law, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *William Clark* (18), boarder, coal miner, born Wednesbury:

Mrs. Elizabeth Hickman, beer retailer, Hateley Heath. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

7, Rydding Lane – JENNY LIND

- [1] *Elizabeth Hickman* (66), widow, licensed victualler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Thomas Hickman* (47), son, coal miner, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Hickman* (21), grandson, coal miner, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Snape* (8), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Hannah Ingle* (21), domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

Mrs. Elizabeth Hickman, beer retailer, 1, Hateley Heath. [1896]

1901 Census

5, Allerton Lane – Tavern

- [1] *Elizabeth Hickman* (75), widow, licensed victualler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Thomas Hickman* (56), son, coal miner (hewer), born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Snape* (18), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *David Snape* (8), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frederick Randle* (23), visitor, grinder patent manure, born West Bromwich:

The license was surrendered on 10th October 1903, as part of the grant of a Victualler's License to the HAWTHORNS HOTEL, Birmingham Road.

It closed on 10th October 1903.

It became a private dwelling

JOLLY COLLIER

Seagar Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Cornelius Peacock [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census

JOLLY COLLIER – Seagar Street

[1] *Cornelius Peacock* (30), victualler, born Kingswood, Bristol;

[2] *Sarah Peacock* (38), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Samuel Wakelam* (20), stepson, labourer, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Samuel Barton* (68), father in law, widower, coffee mill maker, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Samuel Barton* (30), brother in law, coffee mill maker, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Simon Barton* (12), nephew, coffee mill maker, born West Bromwich:

JOLLY NAILOR

2, Lyndon Street / Taylors Lane, Lyne, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Cottrell, West Bromwich
Sykes Brewery Co. Ltd., Birmingham
Garrard Brothers, Rowley Brewery, Blackheath
North Worcestershire Breweries Ltd. [1896]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. (acquired in 1909) [1910], [1986]
Union Pub Co. (W&D) [2001]

LICENSEES

Luke Gilbert [1818] – [1842]
John Cotterill [1849] – **1878**)
William Marsh [1881] – [1882]
John Green [1888] – [1889]
Henry Mason [1889]
John Thomson [] – **1890**);
Faulconer Morgan (**1890 – 1891**);
William Henry Blackford (**1891 – 1893**);
Henry Millward [1892] ?
Thomas Withers (**1893 – 1896**);
Henry Morris (**1896 – 1899**);
Edgar Young (**1899 – 1900**);
Mrs. Florence Young (**1900**);
Frederick 'Fred' Darby (**1900 – 1902**);
James Davies (**1902 – 1903**);
Frank Lloyd (**1903 – 1905**);
Alfred Griffin (**1905 – 1927**);
Alfred Griffin (**1927 – 1929**);
Charles Gwilt (**1929 – 1931**);
Henry James Bayley (**1931 – 1944**);
John Thomas Pitt (**1944 – 1945**);
Sarah (Taylor) Beeson (**1945 – 1955**);
Benjamin Hodgetts (**1955 – []**)
Harry Rose [1968]
Alf Mitchell [1992]
Trevor Constable []

**“JOLLY NAILER'S”
RUNNING GROUND**
(Adjoining the West Bromwich old Football Ground)
Is now in good condition for Cycle Practice
and Runs.
N.W.B. ENTIRE. Ales, Wines, Spirits and Cigars
of the finest quality.
1964 FRED DARBY, Proprietor.
Advert 1900

NOTES

It was formerly the RED LION.

JOLLY NAILER [1849], [1860], [1865]
JOLLY NAILERS [1881], [1882], [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896]
JOLLY NAILOR
JOLLY NAILERS HOTEL [1911]

It had a nail shop at the rear.

Emmanuel Tinsley was born here on 6th March 1820.

John Cotterill = John Cottrell

John Cotterill was also a horse dealer.

1881 Census

2, Lyndon – JOLLY NAILERS

- [1] William Marsh (57), hame maker, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Elizabeth Marsh (42), wife, born Stalybridge;
- [3] *William Marsh* (22), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Charles Marsh (15), son, parcel deliverer, born West Bromwich;
- [5] John Marsh (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Thomas Marsh (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Alice Marsh (14), daughter, domestic, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Agnes Marsh (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:



Wednesbury Herald 4/3/1882

“At the West Bromwich Police Court on Saturday, *William Marsh*, landlord of the JOLLY NAILERS, Lyndon, West Bromwich, was charged with keeping his house open during prohibited hours on the night of the 18th ult. Mr. Sharpe defended.

Police-constable Bakewell deposed that at a quarter past eleven o’clock he found eight or nine persons inside the defendant’s house. In defence it was contended that witness was mistaken as to the time.

The Bench inflicted a fine of 20s and costs.”

Edgar Young, beer retailer, 2, Lyndon Street. [1900]

He was married to *Florence*.

He died in 1900.

West Bromwich Weekly News 18/8/1900 - Advert

“JOLLY NAILERS Running Ground / (Adjoining the West Bromwich old Football Ground) / Is now in good condition for Cycle Practice and Runs. / N. W. B. Entire. Ales, Wines, Spirits and Cigars of the finest quality. / *Fred Darby*, Proprietor.”

1901 Census

2, Lyndon

- [1] *Frederick Darby* (30), publican, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Maud Darby* (29), wife, born Newport, Monmouthshire;
- [3] *Beatrice Darby* (7), daughter, born Weymouth, Dorset;
- [4] *Dorris Darby* (5), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Mable Darby* (2) daughter, born Oldbury:

Frank Lloyd, beer retailer, 2, Lyndon Street. [1904]

Alfred Griffin = Alfred Griffins

Indenture dated 28/10/1909

“All that messuage or dwelling-house with the brewhouse necessary, house and pigstye thereto situate in Lyne otherwise Lyndon in the Parish of West Bromwich in the County of Stafford formerly known as the RED LION but now as The JOLLY NAILER.....”

1911 Census

2, Lyndon

[1] Alfred Griffin (60), licensed victualler, born Smethwick;

[2] Maria Griffin (60), wife, married 40 years, born at sea;

[3] Joseph J. Hartland (35), son in law, commission agent (general), born Droitwich;

[4] Nellie Hartland (30), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] Margery Hartland (7), granddaughter, born Winson Green;

[6] Dorothy Hartland (8 months), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;

[7] Lillie Marshall (11), granddaughter, born Birmingham:

Sarah Taylor married a Mr. *Beeson* in 1945.

It closed in December 2010.

It was damaged in an arson attack on 17th March 2011.

It was converted into housing. [2014]



1985



2005



2008

JOLLY SAILOR

63, Oldbury Road / Vernon Street, Greet's Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1986]
Paul Copson

LICENSEES

Vic Lofthouse [1985] – [1986]
George Sidney Walker [] – **1993**)
Karl Morris (**1993** – [1995]
I S Riarr [2012]

NOTES

It was built in 1962 to replace the WHITE SWAN, Vernon Street.

It was named after Able seaman Joseph Sidney Weston, a local man, who was lost with his ship, HMT Pine, on 31st January 1944.
He had worked at Darby's Brewery before the war.

Part of the building was converted into a fish and chip shop in 2007.

[2014]



1986



2014



1997

JUNCTION

Dudley Street (14 Dudley Road) / Old Meeting Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Charles Dowdeswell, Terrace Row, West Bromwich
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Wright [1841] – [1842]
Frederick Wright [1840's]
James Walter Purves [1845]
Edward Wright [1849] – [1852]
J Ester [1858]
Richard Davis [1860] – [1861]
George John Davis [1868] – [1870]
Richard Davis [1871]

NOTES

High Street and Dudley Road [1849], [1850]

JUNCTION COMMERCIAL INN [1849]
JUNCTION COMMERCIAL HOTEL [1858]
JUNCTION HOTEL [1860], [1868]

It had a beerhouse license.

1841 Census

Carters Green – JUNCTION INN

[1] *Thomas Wright* (35), publican, born Staffordshire;
[2] *Mary Wright* (30), born Staffordshire:

Commercial inn. [1845], [1850]

Coaches ran from here. [1845]

1861 Census

14 Dudley Road – JUNCTION HOTEL

[1] *Richard Davis* (71), widower, victualler, born Hasbury, Worcestershire;
[2] *Sarah Davis* (42), daughter, born Wednesbury;
[3] *Eliza Lloyd* (13), general servant, born West Bromwich;
[4] *Rebeca Pritchard* (13), general servant, born Hatfield, Herefordshire;
[5] *George Howard* (22), brewer, born Darlaston;
[6] *John Hendrick* (50), son in law, farmer (not in business), born Wednesbury;
[7] *Harriet Hendrick* (39), daughter, born Hatfield, Herefordshire;
[8] *John Hendrick* (17), grandson, born Darlaston;
[9] *Richard Hendrick* (14), grandson, scholar, born Darlaston;
[10] *Henry Hendrick* (2), grandson, born Darlaston;
[11] *Edward Hendrick* (1), grandson, born Darlaston;
[12] *Harriet Hendrick* (3), granddaughter, born Darlaston:

George John Davis, JUNCTION HOTEL and ivory rule maker. [1868], [1870]

Dudley Herald 6/8/1870

“On Saturday evening last an adjourned meeting of ironworkers was held at the JUNCTION INN, West Bromwich, for the purposes of considering what steps should be taken most likely to obtain an advance of wages.”

1871 Census

Carters Green

[1] *Richard Davis* (81), widower, publican, born Hasbury;

[2] *Sarah Davis* (52), daughter, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Elizabeth Hughes* (77), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Sunday Mercury 15/11/1970

“The site of the old Wesleyan chapel is to be part of a gigantic traffic island.

The church was opened in 1876

Originally, before the chapel was built, Carters Green was a triangular island that was bounded by Dudley Street, Old Meeting Street and Carters Green Passage

..... one notorious concert hall,

This last was none other than the JUNCTION INN, as one old minister of the chapel recalled at the laying of the foundation stone of the new chapel in 1875.

He had heard reports that some of the chapel members were in the habit of frequenting this place of dubious amusement. So muffling his face, he went into the JUNCTION INN one evening and stood on the stage where he removed his muffler. Immediately a great number of people present made a hasty retreat through the doorway!

The fiddler made a menacing movement towards the minister and demanded to know what he wanted – to which the reverend gentleman replied, ‘What I see is what I want.’

At the annual meeting of the trustees of the chapel in 1874 it was decided to take up the option of buying the land on which the JUNCTION INN stood and to build a new chapel in its place.

The Inn was bought for £700 and some of this was recouped by the sale of surplus materials from the demolition of the building.....”

JUNCTION

36, Witton Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Timmins

Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1937]

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1986]

Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [2005]

LICENSEES

Thomas Timmins [1853] - **1877**);

Joseph Johnson (**1877 - 1898**);

Matthew Fletcher (**1898 - 1901**);

Thomas Fletcher (**1901 - 1902**);

Emmanuel Hartshorne (**1902 - 1904**);

Harry Bladon (**1904 - 1948**);

Herbert Ernest Dixon Snr. (**1948 - 1956**);

Herbert Ernest Dixon Jnr. (**1956 - 1957**);

Alan McKechnie (**1957 - 1958**);

Arthur Evans (**1958 - []**)

George Round []

Steve Morley [1992]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Timmins, beer retailer, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1853], [1861], [1872]

Thomas Timmins, beer retailer and grocer, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1864]

Thomas Timmins, beer retailer and shopkeeper, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1870]

1881 Census

36, Witton Lane – JUNCTION INN

[1] *Joseph Johnson* (34), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Hannah Johnson* (28), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Thomas Timkins* (? (70), boarder, retired beerhouse keeper, born Wednesbury;

[4] *Eliza Powell* (16), domestic servant, born Darlaston:

Emmanuel Hartshorne, beer retailer. 36, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1888], [1889], [1892]

1891 Census

36, Witton Lane – JUNCTION INN

[1] *Joseph Johnson* (46), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Hannah Johnson* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Mary Hall* (17), general servant, born Netherton:

Matthew Fletcher, beer retailer, 36, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1900]

Emanuel Hartshorne, beer retailer, 36, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1904]

Henry Bladon, beer retailer, 36, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1908], [1912]

Demolished
Rebuilt

Ordinary Removal of Publican's license from the DARTMOUTH ARMS, Sheepwash Lane to these premises was granted on 7th March 1940, and confirmed on 18th April 1940. It opened with a full license on 19th April 1940.

[2005]

Closed [2008]

It was converted into a supermarket. [2011]



2005



2008

KING AND CONSTITUTION

27, (19), Loveday Street South, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Watson, West Bromwich
Arthur James Price, Lewisham Brewery, West Bromwich
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd. [1905]
Thomas Brennand, Bratt Street, West Bromwich [1913]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. leased [1919], [1922]

LICENSEES

Charles Jones [1834] – [1842]
John Watson [1850] – [1851]
Thomas Pooley [1860] – [1861]
Joseph Mosley [1864]
Mrs. Mary Biddlestone [1868] – [1870]
Samuel Charlton [] – **1871**);
George Oldham (**1871** – [1873]
James Price [1881]
Allan Price [1888] – **1891**);
Arthur James Price (**1891** – **1892**);
William Silk (**1892** – **1893**);
David Evans (**1893** – **1895**);
Henry William Cole (**1895** – **1902**);
Frederick Charles Hirons (**1902** – **1904**);
Andrew Clarke (**1904** – **1905**);
Frank Naylor (**1905** – **1906**);
David Evans (**1906** – **1907**);
George Sturgess (**1907** – **1908**);
Frank Griffiths (**1908** – **1909**);
Edwin Spencer Dawkins (**1909**);
Joseph Hinton (**1909** – **1920**);
James Alfred Scholey (**1920** – **1927**);
Mrs. Rose Elizabeth Scholey (**1927** – **1930**);
Isaac Goodson Jukes (**1930** – **1931**);
Walter Caldecott (**1931** – **1934**);
Joseph Standley Ross (**1934** – **1938**);
Percy Thomas Brindley (**1938** – **1939**);
Walter Charles Sharman (**1939** – **1940**);
Joy Marion Sharman (**1940** – **1946**);
Frederick George Roath (**1946** – **1951**);
Anthony Corbett (**1951** – **1952**);
Percival Dewis (**1952** – **1957**);

NOTES

19, Loveday Street [1881], [1891]
19, Loveday Street South [1889], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904]
27, Loveday Street South [1908], [1911], [1912], [1919]

Thomas Pooley = Thomas Pooler

1871 Census

Loveday Street

- [1] *George Oldham* (40), fuller in screw shop, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Esther Oldham* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Rose H. Oldham* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah J. Oldham* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Oldham* (14), son, fuller in screw shop, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Oldham* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William H. Oldham* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Frederick Oldham* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Samuel T. Oldham* (6 months), son, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

19, Loveday Street

- [1] *James Price* (49), licensed victualler, born Eastnor, Herefordshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Price* (52), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Ann Griffiths* (22), general servant, born Moxley;
- [4] ? *Wood* (26), boarder, farmer, born Mount Bretton, Yorkshire:

1891 Census

19, Loveday Street – KING AND CONSTITUTION INN

- [1] *Allan Price* (53), licensed victualler, born Birts Morton, Herefordshire;
- [2] *Eva Price* (37), wife, born Taunton;
- [3] *Archibald Price* (15), son, merchant's clerk, born Taunton;
- [4] *Frederick J. Price* (14), son, cycle maker's assistant, born Taunton;
- [5] *William J. Price* (4), son, scholar, born Worthing, Sussex:

William Silk – see also ORANGE TREE.

1901 Census

19, Loveday Street

- [1] *Henry William Cole* (49), licensed victualler, born Bradley;
- [2] *Maria Cole* (51), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Samuel Cole* (27), son, pawnbroker's assistant, born Bradley;
- [4] *Ernest Cole* (14), son, born Bradley;
- [5] *Mary A. Talbot* (15), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Frederick Charles Hiron was charged £2 10s 6d costs, on 22nd December 1902, for selling ale to a drunken person.

Frederick Charles Hiron – see also TWELVE BELLS.

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

George Sturgess was fined £2 and £2 17s 0d costs, on 19th December 1907, for selling during prohibited hours.

1911 Census

27, Loveday Street

[1] *Joseph Hinton* (46), publican, born Widnes, Lancashire;

[2] *Elizabeth Hinton* (46), wife, married 17 years, born Madeley, Shropshire;

[3] *Ernest Hinton* (23), son, musician, professional pianist, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Horace Hinton* (11), son, at school, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Joe Arthue Hinton* (8), son, at school, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 12/5/1919 - Advert

“J. Green and Sons, will offer for Sale by Auctionon Monday next, July 14th 1919

Lot 9 – A Fully licensed Public House known as the KING AND CONSTITUTION, 27, Loveday Street, West Bromwich, let to Messrs. Mitchells and Butlers Ltd, on lease expiring Michaelmas next, and containing Bar, 2 Smoke Rooms, Club Room, 3 Bedrooms, Sitting Room, Kitchen, outside wc, cellar, garden and large yard with gateway entrance.”

James Alfred Scholey was married to *Rose Elizabeth*.

He died in 1927.

Provisional Ordinary Removal to a Hollyhedge Road site was granted on 9th February 1956, and confirmed on 18th April 1956.

The Final Order was given to the CROWN AND ANCHOR, Hollyhedge Road on 4th July 1957.

KING EDWARD VII

91, (67), Old Meeting Street / Church Lane, (Black Lake), Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Holding, Old Meeting Street, West Bromwich
Alfred Caddick, New Street, West Bromwich
John Bowen, Golds Hill, West Bromwich
Hamilton Day and Co.
King and Barton, West End Brewery, Birmingham
Ansells Ltd. [1923] – 1984.
Chris Jameson (acquired in 1984)

LICENSEES

John Parker [] – **1871**);
Joseph Hickman (**1871 – 1877**);
David Cornfield (**1877 – 1886**);
Ezekiel Cartwright (**1886 – 1894**);
Eliza Cartwright (**1894 – 1895**);
Joseph Reeves (**1895 – 1899**);
Elizabeth Bishop (**1899 – 1900**);
Isaac Harris (**1900 – 1901**);
Horace Percy Chevasse (**1901**);
David Evans [1901] ?
Robert Duncan Evans (**1901 – 1902**);
Moses Robert Cutler (**1902**);
Joseph Lawton (**1902 – 1906**);
Wilfred Smith (**1906**);
John Glover (**1906 – 1908**);
Samuel Thomas Staines (**1908 – 1909**);
Thomas Capsey (**1909 – 1915**);
Elizabeth Finneman (**1915 – 1920**);
Thomas Capsey (**1920 – 1921**);
Elizabeth Capsey (**1921 – 1934**);
Sidney New (**1934 – 1937**);
Daniel Smith (**1937 – 1946**);
Frank Peters (**1946 – 1951**);
Harold Phineas Kendrick (**1951 – 1952**);
Joseph Thomas Connor (**1952 – []**)
S Richards [1992]

NOTES

67, Old Meeting Street [1881], [1888], [1892], [1901]
91, Old Meeting Street

It was originally known as the BRITANNIA.

The name was changed to LAME DOG. [1871]

1871 Census

Old Meeting Street – LAME DOG

- [1] *Joseph Hickman* (53), butty collier and publican, born Ocker Hill;
- [2] *Elizabeth Hickman* (46), wife, born Princes End;
- [3] *Mary Hickman* (15), daughter, born Great Bridge;
- [4] *Sarah A. Hickman* (12), daughter, born Golds Green;
- [5] *Charlotte Hickman* (6), granddaughter, born New Town, Staffordshire:

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

67, Old Meeting Street – LAME DOG INN

- [1] *David Cornfield* (43), publican, beerhouse keeper, born Tipton;
- [2] *Mary Ann Cornfield* (41), wife, born Dudley Wood;
- [3] *Abigail Cornfield* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Eliza Cornfield* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Levi Cornfield* (18), son, collier, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eva Jane Cornfield* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Albert Edward Cornfield* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Mary Ann Cornfield* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Ezekiel Cartwright, beer retailer, 67, Old Meeting Street. [1888], [1892]

He was married to *Eliza*.

He died in 1894.

Joseph Reeves = *Joseph Rees*

Joseph Rees, beer retailer, 67, Old Meeting Street. [1896]

Joseph Reeves, beer retailer, 67, Old Meeting Street. [1900]

The name was changed to KING EDWARD VII in 1901.

1901 Census

67, Old Meeting Street

- [1] *David Evans* (?) (37), publican, born Llandyfriog, Cardiganshire;
- [2] *Genia* (?) *Evans* (34), wife, born Kenilworth:

Moses Robert Cutler was fined 10s and costs, on 20th March 1902, for selling ale without a license.

He was fined £2 and costs, on 17th April 1902, for permitting drunkenness.

Smethwick Weekly News 15/3/1902

“District Police Court, Thursday. Mr. C. H. Darby applied for a temporary transfer of the KING EDWARD VII, Old Meeting Street, to *Moses Robert Cutler*. He explained that the matter came up before the Bench the previous Monday, when it was adjourned for the lease to be produced. Defendant went on selling after the adjournment on his (Mr. Darby’s) advice.

Superintendent Whitehurst said that after the matter was adjourned he told Mr. Darby to tell his client to close the house. Mr. Darby, however, told him to go on selling, and he did so until defendant himself was told not to sell on Tuesday.

Mr. Blades said he was much obliged to Mr. Whitehurst for bringing the matter forward.

The application was granted.”

Smethwick Weekly News 12/4/1902

“*Moses Robert Cutler*, of the LAME DOG INN, Old Meeting Street, was charged with permitting drunkenness on his premises and selling drink to a drunken person.

Mr. Sharpe, who defended, explained that he should apply to the Bench for an adjournment for a week to summon two witnesses and to instruct counsel.

Mr. J. Clark, who appeared for the police, offered no objection, and the case was adjourned for a week.”

Smethwick Weekly News 6/9/1902

“*Thomas Hickman*, of Chapel Street, Swan Village, was fined 15s and costs, or a month’s imprisonment, for being drunk on the licensed premises of the KING EDWARD VII INN, Old Meeting Street, on the 23rd ult.

PC Ansell proved the case.”

Joseph Lawton, beer retailer, 67, Old Meeting Street. [1904]

John Glover, beer retailer, 67, Old Meeting Street. [1908]

1911 Census

Old Meeting Street – KING EDWARD VII

[1] *Thomas Capsey* (52), publican, born Birmingham;

[2] *Florence Capsey* (49), wife, assistant in business, born Plymouth;

[3] *Elizabeth Cole* (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Ada Cole* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Capsey, beer retailer, 67, Old Meeting Street. [1912]

See also INKERMAN COTTAGE.

Frank Peters – see also KINGS ARMS.

A full license was granted on 12th February 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

Harold Phineas Kendrick – see also GREAT WESTERN.

Disc jockey, *Michael Lumley* was shot here in 1995.

[1976]

[2001]

Closed [2006], [2007]

It was demolished in January 2008.



1996

KINGS ARMS

106, Great Bridge Street (Great Bridge Road), Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Woolley, Carters Green, West Bromwich

Henry Gittins

Eli Brain

Emma Brain

Ansells Ltd. [1919]

Joseph Albert Wells, The Cottage, Perry Hall Estate, Walsall Road, Perry Barr (leased)

LICENSEES

Mrs. Hannah Hampton [1868] - **1874**);

Henry Gittins (**1874 - 1891**);

Eli Brain (**1891 - 1907**);

Mrs. Emma Brain (**1907 - 1918**);

William Brain (**1918 - 1919**);

Samuel Holmes (**1919 - 1923**);

Frederick Thomas Gilbert (**1923 - 1927**);

William Ray (**1927 - 1935**);

Frank Barber (**1935 - 1936**);

Harold William Bloxham (**1936**);

Thomas Morris (**1936 - 1944**);

Frank Peters (**1944 - 1946**);

Daniel Smith (**1946 - 1950**);

George Henry Marshall (**1950 - 1953**);

Clifford 'Cliff' Ivor Edwards (**1953 - 1955**);

George Samuel Wall (**1955**);

Victor Joseph Bonham (**1955 - 1956**);

Arthur Waddams (**1956 - 1957**);

John Robinson (**1957**);

Emanuel George Price (**1957 - 1959**);

Harold Lawley (**1959 - 1961**);

Bernard Harry Burkitt (**1961 - []**)

NOTES

Great Bridge Road [1871]

106, Great Bridge Street [1881], [1888], [1891], [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

Mrs. *Hannah Hampton*, beer retailer, Great Bridge Street. [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Great Bridge Road

[1] *Hannah Hampton* (59), widow, beerhouse keeper, KINGS ARMS, born Tipton;

[2] *Elizabeth Morgan* (26), niece, born Tipton;

[3] *Catherine Hall* (33), domestic servant, born Tipton;

[4] *Lucy Homer* (15), visitor, born West Bromwich:

Henry Gittins = *Henry Gittings*

Wednesbury Herald 4/10/1879

“At the West Bromwich Police Court, on Monday, before Mr. Boughey (Stipendiary), *Henry Gittings*, landlord of the KINGS ARMS INN, Great Bridge Street, Swan Village, was charged with selling to *Lucy Harris*, three pints of ale during the time when his house should have been closed, on Monday the 31st inst.

Evidence in support of the charge was given by Police-constable Brown, and the defendant said he regretted that the offence had been committed. He was away from home at the time. The mitigated penalty of 10s and costs was imposed, upon the defendant promising not to offend again.”

1881 Census

106, Great Bridge Street

[1] *Henry Gittings* (40), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Gittings* (47), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *James Gittings* (19), son, helper in ironworks, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Henry Gittings* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Thomas Gittings* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Hannah Gittings* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Mary Stevens* (14), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;

[8] *Job Stoiting* (21), boarder, helper in ironworks, born West Bromwich:

Henry Gittins, beer retailer, 106, Great Bridge Street. [1888]

1891 Census

106, Great Bridge Street – KINGS ARMS INN

[1] *Eli Brain* (38), coal miner and publican, born Oldbury;

[2] *Emma Brain* (33), wife, bar attendant, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Brain* (15), son, iron worker, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Eli Brain* (14), son, iron worker, born Hucknall Torkard, Nottinghamshire;

[5] *George Brain* (13), son, iron worker, born Hucknall Torkard, Nottinghamshire;

[6] *Florence Brain* (10), daughter, scholar, born Hucknall Torkard, Nottinghamshire;

[7] *Pollie Brain* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[8] *Sarah Homer* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[9] *Robert Stevens* (30), son, boarder, iron worker, born Wellington, Shropshire:

Eli Brain, beer retailer, 106, Great Bridge Street. [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

He died in 1907.

1901 Census

106, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *Eli Brain* (47), publican, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Emma Brain* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Brain* (25), son, general labourer (in iron foundry), born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Brain* (23), son, general labourer (iron foundry), born Nottingham;
- [5] *Emma Gittings* (15), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Betsy Homer* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *May Glover* (4), grandchild, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Emma Brain, beer retailer, 106, Great Bridge Street. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

9, William Street

- [1] *William Brain* (35), brewer, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Florry Brain* (31), wife, married 8 years, born Old Hill;
- [3] *Louisa Brain* (8), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Brain* (7), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Brain* (5), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eli Brain* (2), son, born West Bromwich:

Frank Barber – check also ASBURY TAVERN.

Frank Peters – see also KING EDWARD VII.

A full license was granted 12th March 1957, and confirmed on 14th April 1957.

Emanuel George Price – see also FOX AND GOOSE, Greets Green Road.

Cliff Edwards was married to *Ida*.

KINGS ARMS

220, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Perrins, butcher, High Street

LICENSEES

George Stamps [] - **1873**);
George Boulton (**1873 - 1874**);
James Whittaker (**1874 - 1876**);
William Cox (**1876 - 1887**);
Elihu Hodges (**1887**);
Jethro Powderhill (**1887 - 1888**);
Joseph Robinson (**1888 - 1890**);
William Cox [1889] ?
John Hodges [1889] ?
James Hamblin (**1890 - 1891**);
Jethro Powderhill (**1891 - 1893**);
John Howells (**1893**);
Ernest Edward Slim (**1893 - 1895**);
William Hale (**1895 - 1896**);
Arthur Hugh Kendrick (**1896**);
William Hale (**1896 - 1898**);
Walter Charles Nash (**1898**);
Alfred Platt (**1898**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

220, High Street – KINGS ARMS

[1] *William Cox* (53), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Ellen Cox* (31), wife, born Wordsley;

[3] *David Cox* (18), son, packer, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Robert Cox* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Sarah Cox* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Sarah Thompson* (65), mother in law, born Wordsley;

[7] *Elizabeth Peters* (21), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Robinson, beer retailer, 220, High Street. [1888], [1889]

William Cox, beer retailer, 220, High Street. [1889]

John Hodges, beer retailer, 220, High Street. [1889]

1891 Census

220, High Street

[1] *Jethro Powderhill* (53), married, manager KINGS ARMS, born Winchcomb, Gloucestershire:

Jethro Powderhill, beer retailer, 220, High Street. [1892]

Ernest Edward Slim was fined £10 and costs, on 10th September 1894, for permitting betting.

The Licensing Committee refused to renew his license on 20th September 1894.

An appeal on 16th October 1894 allowed a renewal subject to him giving up possession.

William Hale, beer retailer, 220, High Street. [1896]

The license was surrendered, on 10th October 1898, as part of the granting of a Victualler's License to the WHITE HART, Walsall Street.

KINGS ARMS

116, Moor Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Miss Rebecca Gutteridge, Lower Trinity Street, West Bromwich
Mrs. Amy Jane Stockley, Holly Lane, Smethwick (later of the White Lion, Alvechurch)
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Isaac Horton [1871] – **1876**);
Francis Underhill Woodbridge (**1876 – 1879**);
Mary Woodbridge (**1879 – 1882**);
John Richards (**1882 – 1883**);
Harry Davis (**1883 – 1885**);
William Darby (**1885 – 1886**);
Cassandra Burns (**1886 – 1888**);
Major George Cox (**1888**);
Harriet Blanche Wright (**1888 – 1889**);
William Shaw Cox (**1889**);
George Adrian Slim (**1889 – 1890**);
William Aldridge (**1890**);
Job Hall (**1890 – 1891**);
Richard Rice (**1891**);
William Schofield (**1891**);
Mrs. Caroline Schofield (**1891**);
Thomas Dimbylow (**1891 – 1893**);
John Cox (**1893**);
William Naylor (**1893**);
Elisha Beddow (**1893 – 1897**);
Henry Silcox (**1897 – 1898**);
Thomas Pearson (**1898 – 1900**);
William Smith (**1900 – 1901**);
Abner Rushton (**1901**);
Thomas Hinton (**1901 – 1902**);
Jane Barker (**1902 – 1903**);
Israel Kinsell (**1903 – 1904**);
Zachariah William Neal (**1904 – 1907**);
Rose Waldron (**1907**);
Albert Pinnock (**1907**);
David Evans (**1907 – 1909**);
William Coleman (**1909**);
Robert Charles Watkins (**1909 – 1911**);
Albert Smith (**1911 – 1913**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Moor Street

- [1] *Isaac Horton* (44), publican and grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Esther Horton* (43), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Abraham Horton* (18), son, pipe heater, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Phebe Horton* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

116, Moor Street

- [1] *Mary Woodbridge* (29), widow, beerhouse keeper, KINGS ARMS, born Edinburgh;
- [2] *Emily J. Woodbridge* (4), daughter, born Brisbane, Australia;
- [3] *Elizabeth Wilson* (25), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 19/2/1887 - Advert

“KINGS ARMS, Moor Street, West Bromwich. This well-known home brewing Beerhouse to be Sold, in a populous neighbourhood, good Brewing Plant, Fixtures, Furniture &c &c, lease 3½ years. Rent £50, Set off £19 10s. – Part purchase money can remain; for price and particulars apply W. H. Pass, Auctioneer, 50, Church Street, Oldbury.”

Major George Cox, beer retailer, 116, Moor Street. [1888]

Cassandra Burns, beer retailer, 116, Moor Street. [1889]

William Cox, beer retailer, 116, Moor Street. [1889]

1891 Census

116, Moor Street – KINGS ARMS

- [1] *William Schofield* (43), stocktaker and beerhouse keeper, born Hulme, Manchester;
- [2] *Caroline Schofield* (33), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Frederick William Schofield* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Maud Schofield* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Downing* (14), general servant, born Bilston:

Mrs. Caroline Schofield, beer retailer, 116, Moor Street. [1892]

Elisha Beddow, beer retailer, 116, Moor Street. [1896]

He was fined 10s and costs, on 13th August 1896, for being drunk on his own licensed premises.

Henry Silcox was fined £2 and costs, on 20th January 1898, for supplying ale to a drunken person.

Thomas Pearson, beer retailer, 116, Moor Street. [1900]

1901 Census

116, Moor Street

- [1] *Abner Rushton* (30), beer seller (manager), born St. Georges, Shropshire;
- [2] *Clara Rushton* (25), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *Dora Timmins* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Israel Kinsell – check also GEORGE AND DRAGON, Barton Street.

Zachariah William Neal = *Zachariah William Neale*

He was described as a beer retailer, 116, Moor Street. [1904]

1911 Census

116, Moor Street

- [1] *Robert Charles Watkins* (33), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Dinah Watkins* (30), wife, married 11 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Frederick Charles Watkins* (9), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Millicent Watkins* (7), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Violet Watkins* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Florence Watkins* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William Watkins* (3 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Bertha Evans* (14), servant, born Smethwick:

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 7th March 1912.

The license was extinguished on 24th March 1913.

KINGS ARMS

Ryder Street, (Swan Village), (Great Bridge), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Charles Taylor [1851]

NOTES

Closed
Demolished

KINGS HEAD

High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Benjamin Withers [1868] – [1870]

NOTES

Benjamin Withers, beer retailer, High Street. [1868], [1870]

Benjamin Withers was fined £2 and costs, for permitting gambling, in November 1870.

KING WILLIAM

158, Great Bridge Street, (Great Bridge Road), (Swan Road), Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

C. C. Prance, solicitor, Evesham
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1897]

LICENSEES

Benjamin Garbett [1849] – [1850]
William Sheldon [1860]
Kate Price Sheldon [1861]
Thomas Price [1864] – [1865]
James Pilkington [] – **1868**);
Ralph Small (**1868** – []
Samuel Lambert [1872] – [1873]
Thomas Green [1881]
Henry Cox [1888] – **1892**);
Josiah Boswell [1889] ?
Richard Price (**1892** – **1894**);
William Hassell (**1894** – **1903**);
Mrs. Mary Jane Hassell (**1903** – **1908**);
Mrs. Mary Jane Edginton [1908] ?
Fred Jones (**1908** – **1914**);
Mrs. Eliza Jones (**1914** – **1915**);
Percy Sanders (**1915** – **1916**);
Emma Sanders (**1916** – **1920**);
Percy Sanders (**1920** – **1923**);
Lucy Ada Stanger (**1923** – **1925**);
Stephen Cook (**1925** – **1930**):

NOTES

Great Bridge Street [1860]
Great Bridge Road [1861]
Swan Road [1861]

KING WILLIAM [1860], [1889], [1916], [1921]
KING WILLIAM THE FOURTH [1861], [1865]
KING WILLIAM IV [1864], [1888], [1889], [1892]
WILLIAM THE FOURTH [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912]

1861 Census

Great Bridge Road

- [1] *Kate Price Sheldon* (33), widow, victualler, born Worcester;
- [2] Elizabeth Horley (13), visitor, scholar, born Southam, Warwickshire;
- [3] Sarah Bryags (35), lodger, birthplace unknown;
- [4] Jame Bryags (7), male, lodger, scholar, birthplace unknown:

1881 Census

158, Great Bridge Street – KING WILLIAM FOURTH

- [1] *Thomas Green* (33), licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;
- [2] *Elizabeth Green* (33), wife, born Scotland;
- [3] *Arthur Green* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Marian Green* (1 month), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Ann Lloyd* (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Florence Clark* (13), nurse girl, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

158, Great Bridge Road – KING WILLIAM IV

- [1] *Henry Cox* (38), iron founder, born Bilston;
- [2] *Drucilla J. Cox* (35), wife, born Tettenhall;
- [3] *James H. Cox* (16), son, iron founder, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Ada L. Cox* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Clara Cox* (6), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [6] *Florence M. Cox* (2), daughter, born Tipton;
- [7] *Lucy Oakley* (15), general servant, born Tipton:

William Hassell = William Hassall

William Hassell was fined £3 and costs, on 9th January 1899, for three cases of suffering gaming on his licensed premises.

1901 Census

158, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *William Hassell* (53), publican's manager, born Kidderminster;
- [2] *Mary Jane Hassell* (57), wife, born Woolwich, London;
- [3] *Cedra Pritchard* (23), general servant, born Birmingham:

William Hassell was married to *Mary Jane*.
He died in 1903.

1911 Census

158, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *Fred Jones* (38), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Eliza Jones* (35), wife, married 15 years, born Staffordshire;
- [3] *Eliza Baker* (80), boarder, widow, old age pensioner, born Wellington, Shropshire;
- [4] *Florence Collins* (16), domestic servant, born Tipton:

Fred Jones was married to *Eliza*.
He died in 1914.

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 14th March 1929.
The license renewal was refused on 28th May 1929.
The license was extinguished on 20th June 1930.

Check Trinity Street.

KING WILLIAM

Trinity Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Sheldon [1851]

NOTES

Check Great Bridge Street.

LEOPARD

60, Church Vale, (Churchfield), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Reeves, Churchfield, West Bromwich

Mrs. Elizabeth (Worsey) Dudley, Hill Top, (later Dagger Lane), West Bromwich
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1939]

LICENSEES

William Reeves **(1870 - 1882);**
Samuel Walker Webster **(1882 - 1884);**
Catherine Bates **(1884 - 1888);**
Aaron Hall **(1888 - 1891);**
William Worsey **(1891 - 1898);**
Mrs. Elizabeth Worsey **(1898 - 1900);**
James Dudley **(1900 - 1907);**
William Horton **(1907 - 1913);**
John Bates **(1913 - 1922);**
John Henry Bates **(1922 - 1939);**
Frederick Samuel Owen **(1939 - 1947);**
Albert William Finney **(1947 - 1954);**
John Male **(1954 - 1955);**
Charles Walter Jeef **(1955 - 1956);**
Peter McGowan **(1956 - 1957);**
John Henry Richards **(1957 - 1959);**
Edwin Harold 'Harry' Reynolds **(1959 - 1964)**
Ronald Rennie [] **- 1965):**

NOTES

42, Church Vale [1881]

60, Church Vale

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Church Vale – The LEOPARD

[1] *William Reeves* (35), coach smith (forger), born West Bromwich;

[2] *Nancy Reeves* (33), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Frederick Reeves* (14), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Ada Clara Reeves* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Kate Maud Reeves* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Edward Mills* (65), father in law, born Tipton:

William Reeves, beer retailer, Church Vale. [1872]

1881 Census

42, Church Vale

- [1] *William Reeves* (45), coach smith, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Nancy Reeves* (43), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ada C. Reeves* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Kate M. Reeves* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William H. Reeves* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 17/12/1881

“An Inquest was held on the same day [Wednesday], before Mr. E. Hooper, at the LEOPARD INN, Church Vale, on the body of *Eliza Jane Holyhead*, 15 weeks old, daughter of *James Holyhead*, miner, 23, Parsonage Street, Church Vale, who was found dead in bed on Monday morning.
Verdict Found Dead.”

Aaron Hall, beer retailer, 60, Church Vale. [1889]

1891 Census

60, Church Vale – LEOPARD

- [1] *William Worsey* (45), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Worsey* (32), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Beatrice B. Worsey* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Fanny Betts* (17), general servant, born Gornal:

William Worsey, beer retailer, 60, Church Vale. [1892], [1896]
He died in 1898.

West Bromwich Weekly News 25/8/1900

“Mr C. H. Darby intimated that he had given notice of opposition [to the license renewal] on behalf of the Birmingham and Midland Counties’ Wholesale Brewers’ Association to the licenses of *Elizabeth Worsey*, of the LEOPARD INN, Church Vale, on the grounds that they continued to give the ‘long pull’ Mrs. *Worsey* had ceased to continue the practice they objected to, and he now applied for the objections to be withdrawn.”

James Dudley married *Elizabeth Worsey*.

1901 Census

60, Church Vale

- [1] *James Dudley* (43), publican, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Elizabeth Dudley* (42), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Beatrice Worsey* (19), stepdaughter, born Sedgley:

Smethwick Weekly News 27/4/1901

“On Wednesday afternoon Mr. *James Clark* (coroner) held an inquest at the LEOPARD INN, Church Vale, concerning the death of an unnamed male child of *Eva* and *Percy Bagnall*, residing at 19, Parsonage Street. The child was born on Sunday night, but the following morning it was found to be dead.
The jury returned a verdict of Accidentally suffocated.”

Smethwick Weekly News 24/5/1902

“*John Griffiths* (28), of Tenscore Street, was charged with refusing to quit the licensed premises of the LEOPARD INN, Churchfield, on the 19th inst, when requested to do so by the landlord, *James Dudley*.
Defendant, who admitted the offence, was fined 5s and costs, 13s 6d altogether.”

James Dudley was fined 10s and £2 19s 6d costs, on 26th March 1903, for permitting drunkenness.

James Dudley, beer retailer, 60, Church Vale. [1904]

1911 Census

60, Church Vale

[1] *William Horton* (35), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Matilda Horton* (37), wife, married 12 years, born Great Dalby, Leicestershire;

[3] *Dorothy Horton* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Ethel Horton* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Francis Horton* (5), son, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Annie Horton* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Frederick Samuel Owen – check also HEARTS OF OAK, Oldbury.

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

Albert William Finney – check also DUN COW.

A full license was granted on 7th March 1957, and confirmed on 9th April 1957.

Edwin Henry Reynolds was known as Harry.

See also CRICKETERS ARMS, BUSH, and VICTORIA.

It closed on 15th August 1965.

LEOPARD

33, Moor Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

W. Simcox, Watton Street, West Bromwich
Samuel Woodhall Ltd. [1911]
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd. [1938]

LICENSEES

Peter Pearson [1871] - **1883**);
Mrs. Mary Pearson (**1883 - 1890**);
George Deans (**1890 - 1896**);
Alfred Bird (**1896 - 1900**);
John Holden (**1900 - 1901**);
Israel Kinsell (**1901 - 1902**);
Charles Eastgate (**1902 - 1904**);
George Withers (**1904 - 1906**);
William Henry Gilbert (**1906**);
William Alexander Barnsley (**1906 - 1908**);
Sydney Charles Robert Mansfield (**1908 - 1909**);
Joseph Bissell (**1909 - 1911**);
Mrs. Annie Ford (**1911 - 1913**);
John Rollason (**1913 - 1927**);
Walter Howard Umbers (**1927 - 1928**);
James Macfarlane (**1928 - 1931**);
Mrs. Annie Macfarlane (**1931 - 1935**);
Dennis Day (**1935 - 1943**);
Arthur Charles Farmer (**1943 - 1955**);
Thomas Leonard Titley (**1955 - 1957**);
Moses Alphonsus Smith (**1957 - []**)
Peter J Fay [1976] - [1983]
Harold Francis Smith [1992] - [1993]
Andrea Berkley [] - **1999**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.



1871 Census

Moor Street

- [1] *Peter Pearson* (45), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Pearson* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Pearson* (23), son, fitter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Comfort Dutton* (19), daughter, married, visitor, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice Pearson* (16), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Pearson* (14), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Selina Pearson* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Peter Pearson* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Thomas Pearson* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Hannah Pearson* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Peter Pearson, beer retailer, Moor Street. [1872]

1881 Census

33, Moor Street

- [1] *Peter Pearson* (55), retail brewer, born Sedgley;
- [2] *Mary Pearson* (54), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Mary Pearson* (24), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Satina Pearson* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Peter Pearson* (16), son, mechanic out of employ, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Thomas Pearson* (15), son, school teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Hannah Pearson* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Thomas Bayfield* (44), brewer, born Tipton:

Mrs. *Mary Pearson*, beer retailer, 33, Moor Street. [1888]

George Deans = *George Dean*

1891 Census

33, Moor Street

- [1] *George Deans* (52), timber sawyer, born Wombourne;
- [2] *Elizabeth Deans* (51), wife, born Bridgnorth;
- [3] *William Deans* (20), son, painter, born Chase Town;
- [4] *Harriet Deans* (18), daughter, born Chase Town;
- [5] *Eliza Deans* (16), daughter, born Chase Town;
- [6] *Alfred Deans* (13), son, errand boy, born Hednesford;
- [7] *Thomas Deans* (11), son, scholar, born Hednesford;
- [8] *Richard Deans* (7), son, scholar, born Hednesford:

George Deans, beer retailer, 33, Moor Street. [1892], [1896]

Alfred Bird, beer retailer, 33, Moor Street. [1900]

1901 Census

33, Moor Street

- [1] *John Holden* (30), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary A Holden* (25), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Gladys M. Holden* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Clara Thomas* (23), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Israel Kinsell – see also *GEORGE AND DRAGON* and *KINGS ARMS*, Moor Street.

George Withers, beer retailer, 33, Moor Street. [1904]

William Alexander Barnsley, beer retailer, 33, Moor Street. [1908]

1911 Census

33, Moor Street – LEOPARD INN

[1] *Joseph Bissell* (68), beerhouse manager, born Halesowen;

[2] *Dorothy Bissell* (57), wife, married 38 years, assisting in business, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Alfred Traynor* (8), boarder, school, birthplace unknown:

1911 – “Woodhall’s famous ales. Best cigars.”

Mrs. Annie Ford, beer retailer, 33, Moor Street. [1912]

James Macfarlane was married to *Annie*.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

Closed

It was demolished in 1999.



1986



1997

LEWISHAM ARMS

1, Castle Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Jane (Hayes) Sanders

Hamilton Day and Co., Sparkbrook Brewery, Birmingham [1903]

King and Barton and Co. [1910]

Rushton's Brewery Ltd. [1912]

John William James Kingstone, Summit Brewery, Smethwick [1914]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Jane Hayes [1881] – **1890**);

Miss Jane Hayes (**1890 – 1900**);

John Chambers (**1900 – 1902**);

William Chambers (**1902 – 1903**);

Mrs. Clara Hunt (**1903 – 1904**);

Frederick Mander (**1904 – 1906**);

James Parry (**1906 – 1907**);

Mrs. Martha Dodd (**1907 – 1914**);

Frederick Ralph Sturges (**1914**);

Ezbon Foy (**1914 – 1920**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

[1869]

1881 Census

1, Castle Street – LEWISHAM ARMS

[1] *Jane Hayes* (68), widow, publican, born Broseley, Shropshire;

[2] *John Hayes* (37), son, general labourer, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Jane Hayes* (29), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Benjamin Hayes* (27), son, bricklayer, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 23/7/1881

“Yesterday, Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner), held an inquest at the LEWISHAM ARMS INN, Hill Top, as to the death of William Henry Butler (7), the son of Henry Butler, ironworker, Castle Street, Hill Top, who was found dead in the Birmingham Canal on Tuesday morning last.

The evidence showed that the deceased left home on Monday night for the purpose of going to play with his companions. He did not return home at night and a search was made for his body on the following morning when it was found in the Birmingham Canal at Hill Top.

The jury returned a verdict of Found Drowned.”

Mrs. *Jane Hayes*, beer retailer, Castle Street, Hill Top. [1888], [1889]
See also BOX IRON.

1891 Census

1, Castle Street – Public House

- [1] *Jane Hayes* (39), unmarried, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Benjamin Hayes* (37), brother, bricklayer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William C. Sanders* (36), boarder, mechanic, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

1, Castle Street

- [1] *John Chambers* (32), beerhouse keeper, born Bradley;
- [2] *Fanny Chambers* (40), wife, born Banbury;
- [3] *Annie Chambers* (20), daughter, barmaid, born Tipton;
- [4] *Thomas Chambers* (18), son, miner, coal, (hewer), born Tipton;
- [5] *Frank Chambers* (16), son, born Tipton;
- [6] *Ethel Chambers* (10), daughter, born Tipton;
- [7] *Job Chambers* (7), son, born Tipton;
- [8] *Gladys Chambers* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. *Clara Hunt*, beer retailer, 1, Castle Street, Hill Top. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 5/10/1906

“*John Williams* (18), Barrack Street, Hill Top, was charged with refusing to quit licensed premises, and also with doing damage to six glasses, to the extent of 3s 4d, on the 22nd ult.

James Parry, licensee of the LEWISHAM ARMS Inn, said that at 10.30pm on the date in question defendant was in his house. In consequence of something that was said to him, witness asked the defendant to leave the house. This he refused to do, however, and it was then that the glasses were alleged to have been broken.

Defendant afterwards left the house.

Evidence was given in support of this statement.

Defendant went into the witness box and denied the charge. He said that he was not requested to leave, and the glasses were broken by accident. Defendant said he did not walk out of the house on his own accord, as he was thrown out. (Laughter)

Defendant called witnesses, who denied that he was asked to leave the premises.

The Bench, however, fined defendant 2s 6d and costs on the first charge, and on the charge of breaking the glasses he was fined 2s 6d, costs, and the damage, 3s 4d, or twenty one days.”

Mrs. *Martha Dodd*, beer retailer, 1, Castle Street, Hill Top. [1908]

1911 Census

1, Castle Street – LEWISHAM ARMS

- [1] *Martha Dodd* (41), married 23 years, beerhouse keeper, born Tunstall, Stoke on Trent;
- [2] *James Dodd* (48), husband, carpenter, born Silverdale, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Leslie James Dodd* (8), son, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Samuel Lawley* (26), son in law, roll turner, born Golds Hill;
- [5] *Rhoda M. Lawley* (21), daughter, married, barmaid, born Tunstall, Stoke on Trent:

Fredderick Ralph Sturges – see also BRIDGE, Oldbury.

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 13th March 1919.

The license renewal was refused on 28th May 1919.

The license was extinguished on 6th November 1920.

LEWISHAM ARMS

43, (45), High Street, (Birmingham Road), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Arthur James Price
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1908]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]
Centric Pub Co. Ltd. (acquired 26th March 1992)

LICENSEES

William Smith [1858] – [1861]
William Price [1864] – [1873]
Arthur James Price [1881] – **1906**);
James Plant [1881] manager/tenant?
Miss Agnes Collett [1901] manageress
William Arthur Price (**1906 – 1908**);
William ETTY Polter (**1908 – 1909**);
John Milner (**1909 – 1913**);
George Samuel Chance [1911] manager?
Samuel Ernest Reeves (**1913 – 1925**);
George Abner Milward (**1925 – 1946**);
Henry Thomas Keys (**1946 – 1949**);
Edward Charles Silburn (?) (**1949 – []**)
Calvin McLean [1974] – [1992]



1986

NOTES

45, High Street [1881], [1889], [1896], [1900], [1904]
43, High Street [1911], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1992], [1996], [2007]

LEWISHAM [1860]
LEWIS ARMS INN [1861] – probably a typographical error
LEWISHAM ARMS HOTEL [1864], [1870], [1872], [1900]
LEWISHAM ARMS INN [1888], [1893]
LEWISHAM HOTEL [1896], [1900], [1901], [1908], [1912], [1913]

1861 Census

High Street

- [1] *William Smith* (48), victualler and maltster, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Martha Smith* (48), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Eliza Smith* (25), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charles Smith* (17), son, clerk in glass trade, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alfred Smith* (16), son, warehouseman in hardware, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Louisa Smith* (14), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Martha Smith* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Adalaide Smith* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Walter W. Smith* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *John Price* (25), boarder, draining labourer, born Worcestershire:

1871 Census

High Street – LEWISHAM ARMS

- [1] *William Price* (36), maltster and innkeeper, born Birmorton, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Price* (48), wife, born Shipston on Stour, Warwickshire;
- [3] *Arthur J. Price* (14), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Fanny Bishop* (24), stepdaughter, barmaid, born Chelmarsh, Shropshire;
- [5] *William Bishop* (21), stepson, grocer's assistant, born Chelmarsh, Shropshire;
- [6] *Jane Fenton* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William Elcock* (17), servant, working maltster, born Wednesbury:

1881 Census

45, High Street

- [1] *Arthur J. Price* (24), licensed victualler, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Annie Price* (20), wife, born Shifnal;
- [3] *Eliza Hateley* (22), cook, born Walsall;
- [4] *Emma Blackwell* (44), general servant, born Harbury, Warwickshire;
- [5] *Thomas Watson* (16), porter, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 27/8/1881

“Edward Wood, a private of the 28th, stationed in Sandwell Park, was summoned for being drunk and doing wilful damage to glasses belonging to *James Plant*, of the LEWISHAM ARMS, to the extent of 6s, on the 15th inst. PC Spincher proved the case of drunkenness, and the landlord the charge of damage.

The Corporal of the Regiment appeared in court and stated that defendant had been punished for his conduct.

Major Williams remarked that it was very seldom that the soldiers uniform was disgraced in such a manner, but taking into consideration the defendant had been punished in camp, they would only order him to pay the damage, and a fine of 1s and costs.”

Wednesbury Herald 8/4/1882

“Mr. E. Hooper (District Coroner) held an inquest at the LEWISHAM ARMS, High Street, West Bromwich, on Monday, on the body of a boy named Bertie Hill, son of Samuel Hill, of High Street, West Bromwich, who was killed by being run over by a butcher's cart on Friday night.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental death, exonerating the driver of the cart of all blame.”

Arthur James Price was also a dealer in wines and spirits, wholesale and family brewer, Lewisham Brewery, High Street. [1888]

He was also a wholesale brewer and wine and spirit merchant, Lewisham Brewery. [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

He was described as a brewer and wine and spirit merchant, and trustee of the West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers' Association. [1902]

Lewisham Brewery, 43, High Street [1908]

1891 Census

45, High Street – LEWISHAM ARMS

- [1] *Arthur J. Price* (34), brewer and licensed victualler, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Frances A. Price* (25), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Edith A. Price* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William A. Price* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Louisa House* (23), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Agnes Cooper* (25), housemaid, born Tipton;
- [7] *Martha Westwood* (20), housemaid, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 31/3/1900

“West Bromwich Dartmouth Cricket Club. The annual meeting of the members of the above club was held at the LEWISHAM ARMS HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, on Tuesday night.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/6/1900

“On Monday afternoon, Mr. James Clarke (borough coroner) conducted an inquest at the LEWISHAM ARMS HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, relative to the death of Thomas Benjamin Ball (32), caster, formerly residing at No 6, Trinity Road, West Bromwich, who committed suicide on Saturday by hanging himself.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 9/2/1901

“Mr. Frank Swift, at the LEWISHAM HOTEL, on Tuesday, disposed of several lots of freehold property, the total proceeds of the sale amounting to £3,950.....”

1901 Census

High Street – LEWISHAM HOTEL

- [1] *Agnes Collett* (32), unmarried, hotel manageress, born Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire;
- [2] Kate M. Woodthorpe (20), barmaid, born Stapenhill, Derbyshire;
- [3] Joseph Ainsworth (24), barman, born Willenhall;
- [4] Harriet N. Morris (22), housemaid, born Coseley;
- [5] Florence M. Shepherd (24), housemaid, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Polly Newman (18), kitchen maid, born Oldbury:

Smethwick Weekly News 8/3/1902

“On Thursday night a dinner and smoking concert were held at the LEWISHAM HOTEL to celebrate the inauguration of the Old Players’ Union in connection with the Albion Football Club. Mr. Joseph Homer (late financial secretary) presided.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 19/4/1902

“The annual dinner and smoking concert in connection with the Dartmouth Cricket Club, West Bromwich, is always looked forward to with interest by the members and the supporters of the club, and the gatherings are of the pleasantest character. That which took place on Tuesday evening, at the LEWISHAM HOTEL, High Street, was no exception to the rule, the proceedings being most enjoyable throughout. The President of the Club (Mr. Arnold Caddick) occupied the chair, and Councillor A. J. Price the vice chair.....”

Wednesbury Leader 7/9/1906

“The committee of the Dartmouth Cricket Club held a meeting on Tuesday night at the LEWISHAM HOTEL for the purpose of considering the question of engaging a professional for next season. There is a strong desire among the members that someone should be appointed who will be able to act as coach on the ground, and the committee are anxious to secure a capable cricketer, who will be able to give his attention to the juniors. However, no definite action has yet been taken, but it is expected in a short time some satisfactory arrangements will be made.”

1911 Census

43, High Street – LEWISHAM HOTEL

- [1] *George Samuel Chance* (37), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Mary Edith Chance (39), wife, married 1 year, born Wales;
- [3] Edith Gwendoline Burton (7), stepdaughter, born Edgbaston;
- [4] Bristol Bennett Burton (6), stepson, born Edgbaston;
- [5] Gwendoline Ruth Bennett (32), visitor, born Handsworth;
- [6] Harry Hobson (26), visitor, tile slabbing, born Hanley, Staffordshire;
- [7] Sarah Jane Lavender (29), domestic servant, born Rowley Regis;
- [8] Maria Hadley (32), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [9] Elizabeth May Turner (19), domestic servant, born Wednesbury;
- [10] Thomas Robinson (21), barman, born Wednesbury:

Samuel Ernest Reeves was fined 10s and £2 10s 6d special costs, on 26th September 1912, for supplying intoxicating liquor to a drunken person.

Bilston and Willenhall Times 18/5/1946

“Difficulties and complications involving both the brewers and licensees consequent upon the reduction of 15 per cent in raw materials, announced last week, were discussed at the annual meeting of the West Bromwich, Smethwick and Oldbury Licensed Victuallers’ Association, held at the LEWISHAM HOTEL, West Bromwich, on Thursday week. Mr. *Frank Jones* [HAWTHORNS, Birmingham Road] (chairman) presiding over a good attendance.

Visitors included Mr. George Darby, Mr. A. G. P. Smith, Mr. F. E. S. Pethwick and Mr. A. E. Mole.

Mr. *Jones* mentioned that since the last annual meeting the Association had suffered greatly by the loss of a valued servant in the late Mr. Daniel Yates [HOP AND BARLEYCORN], and the assembly stood in silence.

Mr. Bernard A. Wheatley (secretary) before presenting his report, said that the Council wished to pay tribute to those members in His Majesty’s Forces who had given their lives in the course of freedom and to express their sympathy with the bereaved relations. He conveyed the congratulations of the Council to all who had received decorations and awards for services in connection with the war and extended a cordial welcome to all members on their return to the trade.

The secretary then presented the balance sheet, which revealed a very healthy financial position and was unanimously approved.

Mr. *Frank Jones* was re-elected president for the sixth year in succession, and Mr. *Leonard Dodd* [RAILWAY, Harwood Street] vice-president.

There was much discussion over the question of an annual outing and it was unanimously agreed that such should take place this year and that arrangements should be left in the hands of the committee.

Messrs. Darby, Pethwick and Mole spoke on the production cut, and Mr. A. G. P. Smith referred to matters connected with the trade in general.”

[1996]

It was renamed DESI JUNCTION. [2001]

[2014]



1993



2014

LION

204, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Isaac Horton, High Street, West Bromwich
John Jordan and Co.
Horton Estate Ltd, Colmore Row, Birmingham [1903]
Atkinsons Ltd.

LICENSEES

Eli Cartwright [1864] – [1870]
Joseph Cottrill [] – **1871**);
Isaac Baker and Samuel Green (**1871** – [1873]
Samuel Green [1881] – [1889]
Mary Ellen James [] – **1891**);
Thomas Alfred Ward (**1891**);
Samuel Nicklin (**1891**);
Walter Joseph Booton (**1891** – **1892**);
William Heale (**1892** – **1894**);
George Dimbylow (**1894**);
Robert James Roberts (**1894** – **1896**);
John Henry Timmins (**1896**);
George Dean (**1896** – **1899**);
James Tabner (**1899** – **1902**);
George Bonser (**1902**);
Isaac Emms (**1902** – **1903**);
William Nightingale (**1903** – **1904**);
Joseph Plant (**1904**);
Thomas Joseph Johnson (**1904** – **1905**);
James Healey (**1905** – **1907**);
Herbert McGowan (**1907**);
Dan Andrews (**1907** – **1908**);
Mervyn Arnold (**1908** – **1909**);
Arthur Smith (**1909** – **1910**);
Sarah Horton (**1910** – [1911]:

NOTES

It had a music hall. [1873]

LION VAULTS [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]

LION LIQUEUR VAULTS.

MESSRS. THOMAS HARFORD & SON will offer for Sale by Public Auction, at the Birmingham Heene Inn, High Street, West Bromwich, on Tuesday, August 9th, 1887, at Seven o'clock in the Evening, the **GOODWILL, LICENSES, LEASE and POSSESSION**, of the Lion Liqueur Vaults, situated in the centre of High Street, West Bromwich, and having the advantage of Three Entrances, and possessing accommodation for carrying on a Large and Profitable Business. The house contains Large Liqueur Vault, with good Counter Trade; good Cellaring, Dining Room, Sitting Room, good Sleeping Accommodation, Kitchen, and usual Outbuildings, Stabling, Open Yard, with Cart Entrance from Paradise Street leading from the Great Western Railway Station.

For further particulars apply to the Auctioneers, Junction Chambers, West Bromwich. 1790o

Advert 1887

1881 Census

204, High Street

- [1] *Samuel Green* (43), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Green* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Annie Green* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Green* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Samuel Green* (10 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Tabitha Richards* (20), visitor, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Sarah Ann Lunn* (15), servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 6/8/1887 - Advert

“Messrs. Thomas Harford and Son, will offer for Sale by Public Auction, at the BIRMINGHAM HOUSE INN, High Street, West Bromwich, on Tuesday, August 9th, 1887, at Seven o’clock in the Evening, the Goodwill, Licenses, Lease and Possession, of the LION LIQUOR VAULTS, situated in the centre of High Street, West Bromwich, and having the advantage of Three Entrances, and possessing accommodation for carrying on a Large and Profitable Business. The house contains Large Liquor Vault, with good Counter Trade; good Cellaring; Dining Room, Sitting Room, good Sleeping Accommodation, Kitchen, and usual Outbuildings, Stabling, Open Yard, with Cart Entrance from Paradise Street leading from the Great Western Railway Station.....”

1891 Census

204, High Street

- [1] *Thomas A. Ward* (32), licensed victualler’s manager, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Emma Ward* (30), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Philip Ward* (11), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Angelina Ward* (9), daughter, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [5] *Sidney Ward* (5), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Beatrice Ward* (3), daughter, born Birmingham;
- [7] *Owen Ward* (4 months), son, born Birmingham;
- [8] *Pamela Grayer* (20), general servant, born Oldbury:

John Henry Timmins – check also BARREL, Oldbury.

James Tabner = James Tabberner

Smethwick Weekly News 6/7/1901

“*Annie Hadley* (25) of *Rix’s* lodging house, Paradise Street, West Bromwich, admitted having used obscene language towards a publican names *Tabberner*, of the LION INN, High Street, and was fined 15s 6d, including costs, or 14 days imprisonment in default.

PC Thomas heard the language complained of, which Alderman Pitt described as being abominable.”

1911 Census

LION VAULTS

- [1] *Arthur Horton* (30), stamper at steel works, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Sarah Horton* (40), wife, married 3 years, manageress, public house, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John William Beasley* (22), stepson, driller, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Benjamin Beasley* (21), stepson, driller, born West Bromwich:

The license was removed to new premises erected at High Street (corner of new part of Queen Street) and known by the sign of the BASS CORNER.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINE

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

NOTES

[1920's]

LODGE TAVERN

140, Lodge Road / Oak Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

David Williams
Samuel Thompson, Rolfe Street, Smethwick
Holder's Brewery Ltd.
David Brookes (leased)
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

David Williams [] - **1879**);
Thomas Rock (**1879**);
Edward Wright (**1879 - 1882**);
William Cox (**1882 - 1901**);
David Brookes (**1901 - 1905**);
Joseph Lowe (**1905 - 1907**);
Albert Samuel Brown (**1907 - 1910**);
George Day (**1910 - 1912**);
Henry John Hope (**1912 - 1913**);
Charles Gough (**1913 - 1918**);
Mrs. Deborah Gough (**1918 - 1922**);
Walter Frederick Hilton (**1922 - 1928**);
John Henry Howard (**1928 - 1932**);
Edward Jones (**1932 - 1936**);
Edwin Thomas Reeves (**1936 - []**)
Edward Jones [] - **1937**);
Lilla Phoebe (Jones) Hamblett (**1937 - 1944**);
Henry Gillard (**1944 - 1956**);
Jack Whatley (**1956 - 1957**);
Edward Bate (**1957 - []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license (6-day).

1881 Census

LODGE TAVERN

- [1] *Edward Wright* (60), beerhouse keeper, born Hagley;
- [2] *Naomi Wright* (37), wife, born Worcestershire;
- [3] *Flora Wright* (12), daughter, scholar, born Wordsley;
- [4] *Charles Wright* (10), son, scholar, born Wordsley;
- [5] *Ernest Wright* (8), son, scholar, born Wordsley;
- [6] *James B. Wright* (5 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Amelia Thompson* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

William Cox, beer retailer, 140, Lodge Road. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900]

1891 Census

140, Lodge Road

- [1] *William Cox* (50), beer retailer, born Willenhall;
- [2] *Ann Cox* (44), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Henry Cox* (24), son, bricklayer's labourer, born Tipton;
- [4] *Ellen Cox* (19), daughter, born Tipton;
- [5] *Maud Cox* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Cox* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 9/2/1901

"*David Brookes*, landlord of the LODGE TAVERN, Oak Road, West Bromwich, was summoned for two offences under the Licensing Act; first for permitting drunkenness on his licensed premises on January 29th last, and secondly for supplying ale to two drunken persons, named William Johnson and James Henry Challinor, on the same date. Mr. James Clark appeared for the defence.

Chief Superintendent Whitehurst said the two summonses really amounted to one case.

PC Ansell said he was on duty in Oak Road at 1.40pm on the date in question, when he saw a pony and float standing outside the LODGE TAVERN. The float was still there at 2.25pm, and a few minutes later he saw the two men, Johnson and Challinor, in Price Street, a short distance away. Both men were drunk, one being locked up and the other taken home.

PC Tiernan gave corroborative evidence.

For the defence a large number of witnesses were called to prove that the men in question, who had since been convicted of drunkenness, were only in the tavern a few minutes and left perfectly sober.

The Bench dismissed the case."

1901 Census

140, Lodge Road

- [1] *David Brookes* (50), widower, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lilly Price* (26), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Jane Cornfield* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

David Brookes, beer retailer, 140, Lodge Road. [1904]

Check also OLD ENGINE, Smethwick.

Albert Brown, beer retailer, 140, Lodge Road. [1908]

1911 Census

Lodge Road – LODGE TAVERN

- [1] *George Day* (56), barman, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Esther Day* (58), wife, married 35 years, born Birmingham:

George Day, beer retailer, 140, Lodge Road. [1912]

Check also OLD ENGINE, Smethwick.

Henry John Hope – check also PRINCE ALBERT, Smethwick.

Plans for the entire rebuilding of these premises were sanctioned on 2nd July 1914, subject to the surrender of an existing license.

On 1st November 1916 the owners acquired and surrendered as from that date the beer off license in respect of premises at No.26 Oak Road.

Charles Gough was married to *Deborah*.

He died in 1918.

Walter Frederick Hilton was married to *Sophia*.

Edward Jones was married to *Lilla Phoebe*.

Lilla Phoebe Jones married a *Mr. Hamblett*.
Check also ROYAL OAK, Oldbury.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

It closed in 1988.

It became Headstart, a hairdressing salon.



c. 1986

LOVING LAMB

67, (39), Dartmouth Street / Brook Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Wincott, Moreton Morrell, Warwickshire
William Downing, maltster, Smethwick
Edgar Evans, Wellhead Brewery, Birmingham
William Bowen, Union Cross, West Bromwich [1905]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1944]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1968]

LICENSEES

John Wincott [1868] - **1875**);
Edward Bailey (**1875 - 1899**);
William Lowe (**1899 - 1903**);
William Hartshorne (**1903 - 1904**);
Arthur Jones (**1904 - 1905**);
Joseph Lowe (**1905**);
Joseph Hunt (**1905 - 1907**);
John Thomas Jones (**1907**);
James Pickering (**1907 - 1910**);
Isaac Lissimore (**1910 - 1911**);
Daniel Yates (**1911 - 1915**);
Henry Lawrence (**1915 - 1922**);
Joseph Haynes (**1922 - 1928**);
Archibald Simcox (**1928 - 1943**);
Mrs. Violet (Simcox) Collins (**1943 - 1947**);
Arthur Eli Fellows (**1947 - 1969**);
Norma Ellen Fellows (**1969 - 1970**);
Patrick Joseph D'Arcy (**1970 - 1972**);
Joginder Singh (**1972 - 1976**);
Balbir Singh (**1976 - 1982**);
Malkit Singh (**1982 - 1986**);

NOTES

39, Dartmouth Street [1881], [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]

67, Dartmouth Street

It had a beerhouse license.

John Wincott, beerhouse keeper, Dartmouth Street was fined 5s and costs, in February 1868, for selling beer on Sunday, during prohibited hours.

John Wincott, beer retailer, Dartmouth Street. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Dartmouth Street

- [1] *John Wincott* (48), publican and brass dealer, born Moreton Morrell, Warwickshire;
- [2] *Louisa Wincott* (51), wife, born Daventry, Northamptonshire;
- [3] *William Wincott* (18), son, fitter and turner, born Moreton Morrell, Warwickshire;
- [4] *Ann Stokes* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Edward Bailey = Edward Bayley

1881 Census

39, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *Edward Bailey* (31), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Alice Bailey* (28), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Charles Bailey* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joshua Bailey* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Harry Bailey* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice Bailey* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Adelaide Bailey* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Edith Bailey* (4 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Adelaide Darby* (22), wife's sister, assistant to beer seller, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 12/5/1883

“West Bromwich Retail Brewers’ Association.

On Thursday evening a quarterly meeting of this association was held at the LOVING LAMB INN, Dartmouth Street, Mr. J. Guttridge, the president, in the chair. There was a large attendance.

The secretary (Mr. W. Molineux) presented his report, which showed at the end of the year they had a balance in hand of £50 13s 9d and a membership of 94. The membership had increased to 96. The members’ subscriptions and contributions for the quarter amounted to £10 15s, and the donations and annual subscriptions collected to £34 2s 6d, making the total amount received during the quarter £45 0s 6d.

The other business was connected with trade matters.”

Edward Bailey, beer retailer, 39, Dartmouth Street. [1889], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

39, Dartmouth Street – LOVING LAMB

- [1] *Edward Bayley* (41), retail brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Alice Bayley* (38), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Charles Bayley* (19), son, science student, chemistry, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joshua Bayley* (17), son, printer's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Harry Bayley* (15), son, fitter's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice Bayley* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Adelaide Bayley* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Edith Bayley* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Maud Bayley* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Eleanor Bayley* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Adelaide Darby* (32), wife's sister, born West Bromwich:

William Lowe, beer retailer, 39, Dartmouth Street. [1900]

1901 Census

39, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *William Lowe* (46), beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Hannah Lowe* (43), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ada Lowe* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Lowe* (15), son, jewellers engraver, born Smethwick:

William Hartshorne, beer retailer, 39, Dartmouth Street. [1904]

Joseph Lowe – check also LODGE TAVERN.

James Pickering, beer retailer, 39, Dartmouth Street. [1908]

1911 Census

39, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *Daniel Yates* (38), hammer maker, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eleanor Yates* (37), wife, married 15 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Leslie A. Yates* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Florence Edna Yates* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Doris Ethel Watkins* (11), niece, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Bertha Reynolds* (14), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Daniel Yates, beer retailer, 39, Dartmouth Street. [1912]

Archibald Simcox was married to *Violet*.
He died in 1943.

Violet Simcox married a *Mr. Collins* in 1946.

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

[1983]

It closed on 11th March 1986.
It was converted into an Islamic centre.



Ex Pub c. 2005

MALT SHOVEL

2, Dove Street, (Moor Street), (Braybrook Street), (Hall Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Thompson, Langley Green, Oldbury
Thomas Oliver Ltd. [1898]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]

LICENSEES

Thomas Moore [1858] – [1873]
George Hardy Askin [1888] – **1892**);
George Austin Askin (**1892 – 1893**);
William Henry Leigh (**1893 – 1895**);
Harry Heaven (**1895 – 1896**);
Mary Ann Mitchell (**1896 – 1898**);
William Herbert Cook (**1898 – 1929**);
Esther Cook (**1929 – 1939**);
Harry Botfield (**1939 – 1952**);
John Forrester (**1952 – 1955**);
Norman Poultney (**1955 – 1959**);
Robert Sneddon (**1959 – []**)

NOTES

Hall Street [1858]
Dove Street, Moor Street [1860]
Dove Street [1861]
Braybrook Street [1868], [1870]
2, Dove Street [1888], [1892], [1912]

Thomas Moore was also a maltster. [1860], [1864], [1872]

An inquest was held here in January 1870.

1871 Census

Dove Street – MALT SHOVEL INN

[1] *Thomas Moore* (65), malster and publican, born Fleckham, Worcestershire;
[2] *Elizabeth Moore* (55), wife, born Leamington:

George Askin was also a carver and gilder of 5, St. Michaels Street. [1888]
22, St. Michaels Street [1892]
[Was this the son of George Hardy Askin?]

1891 Census

2, Dove Street – MALT SHOVEL INN

- [1] *George Hardy Askin* (51), licensed victualler, born Dudley;
- [2] *Ann Maria Askin* (49), wife, born Great Bridge;
- [3] *George E. Askin* (25), son, guilder (sic), born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Violet E. Askin* (26), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Betsy E. Askin* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Frederick Askin* (16), son, assistant guilder, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *John M. Askin* (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Florence May Askin* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Mary Ann Hardy* (71), aunt, widow, living on her own means, born West Bromwich:

George Askin – see also HORSESHOE.

Harry Heaven – see also BULLS HEAD, Hawkes Lane.

1901 Census

2, Dove Street

- [1] *William H. Cook* (38), licensed victualler, born Cheltenham;
- [2] *Esther Cook* (36), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Georgina Cook* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Bertha Cook* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Marian Cook* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Phoebe Lowe* (23), barmaid, born Darlaston;
- [7] *Sarah A. Hawkes* (30), general servant, born Liverpool:

1911 Census

2, Dove Street

- [1] *William Herbert Cook* (46), license victualler, born Cheltenham;
- [2] *Esther Cook* (47), wife, married 23 years, assisting in business, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Georgina Gertie Cook* (21), daughter, clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Bertha Cook* (19), daughter, assisting in business, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Marion Cook* (18), daughter, assisting in business, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Dorothy Cook* (5), daughter, school, born West Bromwich:

William Herbert Cook died in 1929.

Robert Sneddon – check also THREE CROWNS, Great Bridge Street.

It was a subject of a Compulsory Purchase Order in July 1959.

MALT SHOVEL

1, Newton Road, Grove Vale, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Darby's Brewery [1961]

Toby Inns [2001]

LICENSEES

Thomas Marsh []

Henry Whitehouse [1930's] - **1950**);

Isaac Bradley (**1950 - 1957**);

Alexander Gilbert (**1957 - [1961]**)

NOTES

It was a home brewed house.

Prior to 1st April 1931 it was included in the Parish of Rushall.

It was demolished for road widening and rebuilt further back.
It opened c. 1935.

[2014]



2008



2014

MALT SHOVEL

Sandwell Park, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Moore [1878] – [1881]

NOTES

Midland Advertiser 23/2/1878

“On Monday, at the Oldbury County Court, before Mr. W. D. Griffiths (Judge), an action was brought by Messrs. Watkins and Co, wine merchants, Bristol, to recover £46 12s 8d for wines and spirits supplied to Mr. *T. Moore*, MALT SHOVEL INN, West Bromwich. The defendant had paid £32 16s 9d into Court reducing the amount to £12 15s 11d.

Mr. Rankin appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Jackson for the defendant.

The defendant disputed the claim on the ground that the liquors supplied were all of an inferior quality to the _____. Mrs. Moore, wife of the defendant, was called, and stated that in September 1876, she ordered a cask of rum from the plaintiff’s agent, stipulating that it should be 10 degrees over proof. On testing the rum, however, she found that it was 10 degrees under proof. The rum was, therefore, sent back, and another cask was supplied in its place, but she found cask like wine was of inferior quality, being 5 degrees under proof. Witness complained of this to Mr. Watkins himself, telling him that unless he sent better spirits she should have to go somewhere else.....

His Honour ultimately gave a verdict for £42 6s 2d.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/3/1881

“On Thursday, about noon, a rick of hay, the property of *Thomas Moore*, MALT SHOVEL INN, situate in Sandwell Park, was discovered to be on fire by some boys who were passing at the time. The local fire engine was speedily brought on the spot, and the fire was soon subdued.....”

Check Newton Road or Dove Street.

MANCHESTER HOUSE

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

MANOR HOUSE

Hall Green Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

County Borough of West Bromwich
Ansells Ltd. (leased from 1960)
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.



LICENSEES

Eric Harold Williams []
Sue and David Bird [1980]
Timothy Capner [1992] – [1993]
Les Millard [1994]

NOTES

A medieval timber framed building built by Richard de Marnham in the 1270s.

Grade I listed building.

It was restored in 1960.

It became a public house in the 1960s.

Les Millard was married to Rose.

[2007]

Closed [2008]

It became the Manor House Museum owned and operated by Sandwell Council. [2013]



1996



2008

MARKSMAN

1, High Street, (1, Carters Green), Heath, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Critchley, West Bromwich
Thomas Brennand [1908], [1912]
Frank Myatt Ltd. [1930]
Ansells Ltd. [1986], [1994]

LICENSEES

Benjamin Darby [1818]
William Darby [1828] – [1850]
Thomas Darby [1851]
George Wilkinson [1855]
George Thomas Patterson [1858] – [1865]
Henry Crutchley [1868] – [1873]
Thomas Brennand [1881] – **1929**;
R Ormrod [1906] manager
Samuel Johnson (**1929 – 1930**);
Ernest Walker Clark (**1930 – 1931**);
Frederick Joseph Moore (**1931 – 1935**);
Samuel Johnson (**1935 – 1945**);
Albert Victor Herbert (**1945 – 1947**);
Howard Leslie Guest (**1947**);
Henry William Mackie (**1947 – 1949**);
James Reginald Dickinson (**1949 – 1957**);
Joseph Frederick Faulkner (**1957**);
Frank Wilson (**1957 – 1958**);
Henry Herbert Biggins (**1958 – 1959**);
Frederick Cartwright (**1959 – 1960**);
Andrew Thompson (**1960 – 1961**);
Joseph Edward Mills (**1961 – []**)
Walter Francis McEvelly [1982]
Tony Hudson [1993]
Belal Hussain (**2007 – [2008]**)

NOTES

Carters Green [1860]
1, Carters Green [1881], [1891], [1904], [1912]
1, High Street

It was originally called the CROSS GUNS.

[1644]

1851 Census

Carters Green

- [1] *Thomas Darby* (42), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Darby* (30), wife, born Wellington, Shropshire;
- [3] *Fanny Darby* (4), daughter, born Wellington, Shropshire;
- [4] *Hannah Darby* (18), general servant born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Partridge* (56), brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Davis* (19), general servant, born Crudington, Shropshire;
- [7] *Eliza Turner* (9), visitor, born West Bromwich:

An inquest was held here on Joseph Griffiths, of West Bromwich, who was killed in the Gawn Pit Explosion, Rowley Regis on 10th September 1857.

George Thomas Patterson = George Thomas Pattison

1881 Census

1, Carters Green – CROSS GUNS

- [1] *Thomas Brennand* (27), licensed victualler, born Burton Lonsdale, Yorkshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Brennand* (29), wife, born Church Lawton, Cheshire;
- [3] *Sarah Brennand* (8), daughter, scholar, born Liverpool;
- [4] *Henry Brennand* (5), son, scholar, born Liverpool;
- [5] *Eleanor Brennand* (2), daughter, born Liverpool;
- [6] *Elizabeth Grace Brennand* (4 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William Pearson* (22), barman, born Nessward, Cumberland;
- [8] *William Powel* (23), barman, born Madeley, Herefordshire;
- [9] *Sarah Ann Baker* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 24/12/1881

“On Monday, Mr. Hooper held an inquest at the CROSS GUNS INN, touching the death of Sarah Jane Huxley (5), whose parents reside at 33, Guns Lane. The deceased returned home from school on the Wednesday previous and complained of feeling ill. Dr. Evans was sent for on the following day about four o’clock in the afternoon, but the child died about half past six o’clock, before the doctor arrived.

The coroner offered to adjourn the inquest for a post-mortem examination to be made, but the jury considered there was no suspicion about the case, thought it unnecessary, and returned a verdict of Death from Natural Causes.”

1891 Census

1, Carters Green – CROSS GUNS

- [1] *Thomas Brennand* (39), licensed victualler, born Burton in Lonsdale, Yorkshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Brennand* (39), wife, born Church Lawton, Cheshire;
- [3] *Sarah J. Brennand* (18), daughter, cook, born Liverpool;
- [4] *Henry Brennand* (15), son, student, born Liverpool;
- [5] *Eleanor Brennand* (12), daughter, scholar, born Liverpool;
- [6] *Elizabeth G. Brennand* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Harriet L. Brennand* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *William Brennand* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Phoebe O. Brennand* (10 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Thomas Ashworth* (26), waiter, born Broughton, Lancashire;
- [11] *Richard Ashworth* (23), groom, born Broughton, Lancashire;
- [12] *Arther Cumberbatch* (17), waiter, born Talke, Staffordshire:

Midland Sun 8/7/1893 Advert

“Reserved For / *Thomas Brennand* / CROSS GUNS / West Bromwich.”

RESERVED FOR
THOMAS BRENNAND
CROSS GUNS
WEST BROMWICH.

Advert 1895

1901 Census

87, Beeches Road

- [1] *Thomas Brennand* (48), licensed victualler, born Burton in Lonsdale, Yorkshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Brennand* (48), wife, born Church Lawton, Cheshire;
- [3] *Elizabeth G. Brennand* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harriet L. Brennand* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Phoebe O. Brennand* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Kate G. Brennand* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Maude Brennnand* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Brennand was vice president of the West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers' Association. [1902]

Wednesbury Leader 16/2/1906

"Birmingham Equalised Order of Druids. The members of the 'Pride of Windmill' Lodge, 1807, of the above order held their annual dinner on Saturday, when a splendid repast was partaken of, the catering being done by Bro. *R. Ormrod*, manager of the CROSS GUNS, Carters Green, the club house of the lodge....."

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

Albert Victor Herbert – see also FOX AND GOOSE.

Closed
Demolished
Rebuilt

The name was changed to MARKSMAN on 16th February 1973.

[2008]

Closed [2009], [2010]
Half of the building was converted into a restaurant. [2009]

[2011], [2012]

Closed [2014]



1986



2008

MAZEPPA

212, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Humphrey Simcox, butcher, High Street, West Bromwich
William Henry Edwards, Lower High Street, West Bromwich
West Bromwich Corporation (acquired in 1910)

LICENSEES

Mrs. Catherine Loveridge [1868] – **1871**);
William Challinor (**1871 – 1880**);
William Cox (**1880 – 1882**);
Ann Cox (**1882 – 1883**);
John Cox (**1883 – 1886**);
George Edgar S Mills (**1886 – 1887**);
Isaac Roberts (**1887 – 1891**);
Richard Lambert (**1891 – 1911**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Mrs. *Catherine Loveridge*, beer retailer, High Street. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

High Street

- [1] *William Challinor* (61), publican, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Sarah Challinor* (58), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Thomas Challinor* (21), son, forgeman, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] *Hannah Cook* (18), general servant, born Wolverhampton:

William Challinor, beer retailer, High Street. [1872]

1881 Census

212, High Street

- [1] *William Cox* (40), beer retailer, born Walsall;
- [2] *Anne Cox* (38), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Ferdinand Cox* (17), son, colliery stoker, born Tipton;
- [4] *Henry Cox* (15), son, factory work, born Tipton;
- [5] *George Cox* (11), son, scholar, born Tipton;
- [6] *Ellen Cox* (9), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [7] *Ernest Cox* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Agnes Maud Cox* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Charles William Cox* (8 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Ann Cox* (67), mother, widow, born Willenhall;
- [11] *Sarah Davies* (18), domestic servant, born York:

William Cox was married to *Ann*.

1891 Census

212, High Street

- [1] *Richard Lambert* (52), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Lambert* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Richard Lambert* (17), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Lambert* (9 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Margaret Lambert* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Richard Lambert was fined £1 and costs, on 29th October 1891, for permitting betting.

1901 Census

212, High Street – MAZEPPA INN

- [1] *Richard Lambert* (62), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Lambert* (54), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Richard Lambert* (27), son, sheet glassworks labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Margaret Lambert* (25), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Lambert* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1910.
The license renewal was refused on 21st June 1910.

1911 Census

212, High Street

- [1] *Richard Lambert* (72), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Lambert* (64), wife, married 24 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Lambert* (20), daughter, home duties, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Richard Dowler* (36), boarder, service layer, West Bromwich Electricity Department, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Margaret Dowler* (33), general servant, born West Bromwich:

The license was extinguished on 14th August 1911.

It was acquired by the Corporation in 1910 for the intention of providing a new street from High Street to Paradise Street.

MERRY GO ROUND

Garratt Street, Tantony, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Ansells Ltd.

LICENSEES

Brian Bevan [1990]

Margaret Westwood [1992]

NOTES

[1972]

[2014]



1986



2014

MILL

Beacon View Road / Wyndmill Crescent, Charlemont Farm Estate, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1986]

Punch Taverns [2001]

LICENSEES

Thomas Clarence Egginton **(1967 - 1972);**

Tom Edwards **(1972 - []**

Mick Powell [1987]

Dennis Gardner [1992]

Joseph John Partridge **(2000 - [2005]**

NOTES

[2008]

Closed

It was damaged in an arson attack in July 2010.

Closed [2012]

Demolished [2014]



1986



2008



MINER

Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Sheldon [1830]

MINERS ARMS

58, Bagnall Street, Golds Green, (Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Sarah Milner, Golds Green, West Bromwich
John Carter, Ladywood, Birmingham
George Thompson, The Beeches, West Bromwich
John Smith, High Street, West Bromwich
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1902]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1986]
Enterprise Inns [1990's]

LICENSEES

John George Maybury [] - **1875**);
Daniel Tilley (**1875** - [1876]
William Picken [] - **1878**);
Samuel John Mason (**1878** - **1879**);
Edward Gwilliam (**1879** - []
Daniel Tilley [1888] - **1890**);
George Thompson (**1890** - **1895**);
Mrs. Selina Thompson (**1895** - **1896**);
Arthur William Butler (**1896** - **1898**);
Henry Wood (**1898** - **1899**);
Susannah Pritchard (**1899** - **1900**);
William Hincks (**1900**);
Ruth Munger (**1900** - **1902**);
Charles Muskin (**1902** - **1903**);
Albert Gideon Wilson (**1903** - **1904**);
John Gainham (**1904** - **1906**);
Samuel Cook (**1906** - **1907**);
Charles Holyhead (**1907** - **1910**);
John Lewis Maybury (**1910** - **1913**);
Joseph Clark Snr. (**1913** - **1920**);
John Rogers (**1920** - **1924**);
Sarah Ann Rogers (**1924** - **1926**);
Frank Corbett (**1926** - **1931**);
Sidney Christie Gardom (**1931** - **1936**);
Raymond Carpenter (**1936** - **1942**);
Samuel Fletcher (**1942** - **1950**);
Mrs. Ann Fletcher (**1950** - **1959**);
Ernest George Miller (**1959** - [1965]
R C Tinsley [1992]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Daniel Tilley was charged costs for permitting drunkenness during the year ending 30/8/1876.

Midland Advertiser 18/5/1878

“Charles Williams was summoned for refusing to quit the MINERS ARMS INN, Hill Top, occupied by *Samuel John Mason*.

Mr. Sheldon defended.

Complainant said the defendant struck a man who was in the house when he requested him to go, but he refused.

Cross examined: He caught hold of him and pushed him out.

The defendant was drunk.

He was further charged with being drunk.

PC Sheldon said from information he obtained he went to the house of the last complainant and saw the defendant there drunk.

Cross examined: He did not see anyone strike him. There was a crowd around him.

Mr. Williams to the defendant: There’s a black list against you.

Defendant: I think there’s more there than I have been.

Mr. Williams: I think it is truer than your statement.

Defendant was fined 40s and costs, or in default to go to prison for two months.”

Daniel Tilley, beer retailer, Golds Green. [1888]

Daniel Tilley, beer retailer, Bagnall Street, Golds Green. [1889]

1891 Census

58, Bagnall Street – MINERS ARMS

[1] *George Thompson* (42), clerk, iron works, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Selina Thompson* (41), wife, born Linton, Herefordshire;

[3] *Sarah Ann Measey* (26), general servant, born Lye:

[George previously ran the JUNCTION STORES off license at Carters Green.]

George Thompson died in 1895.

1901 Census

58, Bagnall Street – MINERS ARMS INN

[1] *James Munger* (48), licensed victualler, born Hentor, Oxfordshire;

[2] *Ruth Munger* (48), wife, born Crowell, Oxfordshire;

[3] *Minnie Manning* (32), daughter in law, blind, born Crowell, Oxfordshire;

[4] *Daisy Rogers* (25), niece, born Chinnor, Oxfordshire;

[5] *Edith M. Rogers* (15), niece, born Chinner, Oxfordshire:

John Gainham, beer retailer, 58, Bagnall Street, Golds Green. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 3/8/1906

“*Samuel Cook*, licensee of the MINERS ARMS, Bagnall Street, Golds Green, was charged with selling ale during prohibited hours.

Mr. A. A. Caddick appeared to prosecute, and Mr. J. S. Sharpe defended.

Mr. Caddick explained that the alleged offence took place on Sunday, July 8th, when Police constable Jewson saw the defendant about twenty minutes past three appear at the rear of the house wearing an apron, with something bulky underneath. Apparently he was going to a group of men who were assembled on some hilly ground. He did not take it to them, however, and went behind another mound. Upon going to that place the constable found a gallon bottle of beer in a canal boat. He spoke to the wife of the licensee, and also to the licensee himself, who said the beer was placed outside the yard before closing time, and he had arranged with the men who had purchased the beer to take it to them.

Mr. Sharpe contended that the beer was paid for in prohibited hours, and it came within the law even if it was delivered outside prohibited hours.

Samuel Cook, the licensee, said that the beer was drawn in the bar, and he was told to put it outside the gate. He did not know what made him take the bottle when he saw the officer and put it in the canal boat, but he did not know what to do.

After a brief deliberation in private, the Bench dismissed the case. Councillor S. Baggott remarking that this was a proper case to bring before them, and the publican had been very indiscreet.”

Charles Holyhead = Charles Hollyhead

Charles Hollyhead, beer retailer, 58, Bagnall Street, Golds Hill. [1908]

1911 Census

58, Bagnall Street

[1] *John Lewis Maybury* (59), publican, born Princes End;

[2] *Elizabeth Maybury* (60), wife, married 40 years, assisting in business, born Princes End;

[3] *Naomi Maybury* (39), daughter, assisting in business, born Princes End;

[4] *John Henry Maybury* (22), son, coach axle turner, born Hateley Heath;

[5] *Nelly Maybury* (19), daughter, draper's assistant, born Hill Top;

[6] *Florence Elizabeth Maybury* (16), daughter, dressmaker, born Hill Top:

John Maybury, beer retailer, 58, Bagnall Street, Golds Green. [1912]

Ordinary Removal of Publican's License from the THREE FURNACES, Golds Green, to these premises, granted on 13th March 1913, and confirmed on 1st May 1913.

Sydney Christie Gardom – see also CAPE, Tipton.

Samuel Fletcher was married to *Ann*.

He died in 1950.

[2014]



1996



2014

MINERS ARMS

91, (93+91), Holloway Bank, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Smith, High Street, Wednesbury
John Smith, High Street, Wednesbury
Joseph Smith, Darlaston
Wordsley Brewery Co. Ltd. [1906]

LICENSEES

James Bullock [1868] – [1872]
John James Sergeant [] – **1876**);
Thomas Stevens (**1876 – 1877**);
James Dangerfield (**1877**);
William Preston (**1877 – []**)
Edward Gwilliam [] – **1880**);
Thomas Stevens (**1880 – 1886**);
Mary Jane Stevens (**1886 – 1887**);
Edward Jones (**1887 – 1900**);
David Churchill (**1900 – 1904**);
Mrs. Eliza Churchill (**1904 – 1905**);
William Liddiard (**1905 – 1907**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

James Bullock, beer retailer, Holloway Bank. [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Holloway Bank – MINERS ARMS

- [1] *James Bullock* (40), innkeeper, born Tipton;
- [2] *Mary A. Bullock* (31), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Ada Bullock* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Martha Endley* (17), domestic servant, born Tipton:

1881 Census

91, Holloway Bank

- [1] *Thomas Stevens* (34), publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *Mary J. Stevens* (29), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Thomas A. Stevens* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Amelia B. Stevens* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Stevens* (1) son, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

93+91, Holloway Bank – MINERS ARMS

- [1] *Edward Jones* (37), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah A. Jones* (36), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Florence Jones* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Albert Jones* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Louisa Wright* (19), servant, born Wednesbury;
- [6] *Joseph Oldham* (24), brother in law, sheet leveller, born Oldbury;
- [7] *Amelia Oldham* (23), sister, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *William Oldham* (1 month), nephew, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Harriet A. Sheldon* (43), boarder, tailoress, born London:

1901 Census

Holloway Bank – MINERS ARMS

- [1] *David Churchill* (26), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Churchill* (26), wife, born Leeds;
- [3] *Hilda Churchill* (4), daughter, born Wollaston;
- [4] *Eva Churchill* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

David Churchill was fined 10s and costs, on 5th June 1902, for being drunk on his own licensed premises.

He died in 1904.

David Churchill, beer retailer, 91, Holloway Bank, Hill Top. [1904]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 8th March 1906.

The license renewal was refused on 26th June 1906.

The license was extinguished on 25th March 1907.

NAGS HEAD

86, (6), Church Lane / Scafell Way, Ridgacre, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Stephen Hipkins
Mary Elizabeth Hipkins
Henry Parish, Church Lane, West Bromwich
Samuel Woodhall Ltd. [1912]
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1938]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1986]
Discovery Inns [2008]

LICENSEES

James Parish [1828] – [1850]
Henry Parish* [1858] – [1864]
Charles Cartwright [1868] – **1872**);
Henry Parish* (**1872** – [1881]
Stephen Hipkins [1888] – **1890**);
Mrs. Mary Elizabeth (Hipkins) Stanford (**1890** – **1899**);
Samuel Woodhall (**1899** – **1907**);
Ernest Thomas Morgan (**1907** – **1915**);
John Henry Lewis (**1915** – **1927**);
Thomas Philpotts (**1927** – **1932**);
Samuel Eaton (**1932** – **1935**);
Walter James 'Jackie' Mann (**1935** – **1949**);
Richard Winsper (**1949** – **1954**);
Herbert Ernest Dixon (**1954** – **1955**);
William Ashley Maubridge (**1955** – **1958**);
Frederick Arthur Sale (**1958** – **1959**);
John White (**1959** – []
Joe Sadler []
Pam Johnson []
Charles Johnson (**1994** – [1996]
Jan Smith (**2003** – [2004]

NOTES

6, Church Lane [1891]
86, Church Lane

It was reputedly haunted by a small blond boy.

James Parish was also a farmer. [1845], [1849], [1850]

Henry Parish was born c. 1823, the son of *James*.
He was described as also being a coal master. [1860], [1861]
He owned a brickyard in Church Lane and the Hill End Colliery. [1864]
He was married to Hannah (b. c. 1821 in Wednesbury).

Wolverhampton Chronicle 21/4/1858

“On Saturday last an inquest was held before G. H. Hinchcliffe Esq., at Mr. *H. Parish*’s NAGS HEAD INN, on the body of a fine full grown female child found dead. On the preceding day a man, named Piper, employed in emptying a privy at the back of the BRITANNIA INN, Church Lane, had found amidst the soil the body above referred to. It was much decomposed, and Mr. J. W. Kite, surgeon, who had, under the coroner’s precept, made a post mortem examination of the body, said that in his judgement the infant had been exposed about a fortnight previously. Mr. Kite gave it as his opinion that it had been born alive. A wound in the side of its head might have been given just after birth. There was also a mark around the infant’s neck, but the surgeon said this might have arisen from the umbilical cord attaching round that point after the birth. The inquest was adjourned until Tuesday, the 27th inst., with a view to obtain a clue to the parents of the child.”

Wolverhampton Chronicle 5/5/1858

“The police stated that after making every possible inquiries they were unable to find any clue to the parentage of the child. The landlady of the BRITANNIA INN and her daughters were examined the jury returned a verdict of Wilful murder against some person or persons unknown.”

1871 Census

NAGS HEAD

- [1] *Charles Cartwright* (29), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriot Cartwright* (27), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *George Cartwright* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charles Cartwright* (3 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Jane Spruce* (20), domestic servant, born Newport, Shropshire;
- [6] *Ann Grise* (15), nurse, no birthplace given:

Charles Cartwright – see also WHITE SWAN, Wednesbury.

West Bromwich Weekly News 19/6/1875

“On Monday morning an inquest was held at the NAGS HEAD INN, Church Lane, before Edwin Hooper Esq., coroner, touching the death of a child, named William Joseph Insley, aged 4 years, who lived with his parents at the Tantany Colliery.

Elizabeth Insley, the mother, identified the body as that of her child. She last saw him on Friday, the 11th instant, about half past five in the afternoon, when he left the house to play with a neighbour’s child. Half an hour afterwards she went to look for him, and saw his cap floating on the water at Mr. Sargeant’s coal wharf. She gave an alarm and Mr. Smith and another man got the deceased out quite dead.

Thomas Smith, a labourer at Mr. Sargeant’s wharf, deposed that at a few minutes past six on the date mentioned, he was called by the previous witness. He saw a cap in the water, and with the assistance of a man named Haynes, got the body out with a boat shaft.

Re-examined by the Coroner: There was a plank partly in the water and partly on the bank. He believed the child had been playing on it and had fallen in. He did not think any foul play had been used. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental death.”

* possibly the same person

1881 Census

Church Lane – NAGS HEAD INN

- [1] *Henry Parish* (58), licensed victualler and coal master employing 70 men, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ellen Parish* (60), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Joseph A. Parish* (33), son, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Mary E. Parish* (28), daughter, born Wednesbury;
- [5] *Mary Ann Parish* (20), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

6, Church Lane – NAGS HEAD INN

- [1] *Mary E. Hipkins* (38), widow, licensed victualler, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Francis H. Hipkins* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *George Edward Hipkins* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur George Parish* (14), nephew, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Hannah Nightingale* (22), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice Sarah Jones* (13), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *John Medlicott* (44), domestic servant, born Bewdley;

Elizabeth Hipkins married a Mr. Stanford.

[They married in or before 1896.]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 28/4/1928

“Two police officers’ watch on a licensed house in Church Lane, West Bromwich, on March 24th, led to the appearance of three men and a woman before the Stipendiary (Mr. Bertram Grimley), at the West Bromwich Police Court, on Monday, on charges of supplying and consuming intoxicants after permitted hours. The defendants were *Thomas Philpotts*, licensee of the NAGS HEAD INN, Church Lane, who was charged with supplying the intoxicants, and *Joseph Vowles* (38), of 23, Church Lane, *Louisa Jukes* (21), 17, Little Fields, Rounds Green, Oldbury, and *William Penniket* (21), 195, Hall End, who were charged with consuming. The case for the prosecution was presented by Mr. Hadgkiss, and Mr. H. A. Tucker represented the defendants.

Mr. Hadgkiss said the charges were brought under Section 4 of the Licensing Acts. *Philpotts* was charged with supplying to the defendants, *Vowles*, *Penniket*, and *Jukes* intoxicating drinks after permitted hours, and there were further charges against those defendants of consuming the drinks. The licensee was the tenant of the NAGS HEAD in Church Lane, and the facts of the case, he submitted, were quite conclusive. On March 24th PS Hewitt and PC Allen noticed there was a light in the smoke room of the inn at 10.20pm, and by standing on the window ledge of the smoke room, they looked through the window. In the room were the licensee, his wife and daughter, *Joseph Vowles* and his wife against whom no proceedings had been taken, *Louisa Jukes* and *William Penniket*. The licensee’s daughter, *Edna May*, had a glass of freshly drawn beer, and placed it on the mantelpiece near her father, whilst on tables in the room were four other glasses of beer. All the defendants were sitting round drinking. Between 10.20 and 10.35 the officers watched the defendants drink, and at 10.45pm the sergeant went round to the front of the premises and found that the door was locked. After knocking for some time, footsteps were heard in the hall, and Sergeant Hewitt called out, ‘It’s the police. Open the door.’ The door was not opened, and the person who had been to the door walked away. The sergeant continued knocking the door till 11pm, and then it was at last opened by the licensee. Meanwhile PC Allen, who had been watching through the smoke room window, saw the licensee stand up and heard him say, ‘It’s the police. It’s the police. Drink your beer up; don’t let them in.’ Everyone drank up, and the licensee said, ‘Don’t let them in. Get outside.’ The smoke room lights were turned out, and PC Allen then went to another window, and saw the defendants leave and go into the living room. The officer then went round to Sergeant Hewitt, and in accordance with his instructions, went to the back door and knocked. The defendant *Philpotts* came, and Allen said, ‘It’s the police. Open the door.’ But the door was not opened and the licensee walked away. When the officers eventually gained admission, *Philpotts* said, ‘There’s nobody in the smoke room. You have made a mistake.’ The landlord added that the defendant *Jukes* was staying with them for the weekend. *Joseph Vowles* and his wife were found concealed under a wall in the yard. The licensee, asked to explain why he had supplied the defendants with intoxicants after permitted hours, by Sergeant Hewitt, said, ‘They’re friends of mine, and I asked them to have some supper and a drink.’ Asked where the supper was he made no reply. The defendant *Penniket* was not on the premises when the officers gained admittance, and he now denied being there after 10pm on that night.

Mr. Hadgkiss’s statement was confirmed by Sergeant Hewitt, who added that when *Penniket* was seen later at his home, he said, ‘I was not there.’

Cross-examined by Mr. Tucker, witness said the window ledge was quite wide enough to stand on in comparative comfort, and a good view of the room was obtained. He strongly denied telling *Annie Vowles*, when she was informed she would not be summoned, that she had better keep away from the Court.

PC Allen gave similar evidence, and added that the licensee told him. ‘They are friends of mine, and I asked them to have a drink and some supper.’ Sergeant Hewitt asked where the supper was, and no reply was given. The landlord later said, ‘Come and see me tomorrow.’

This concluded the case for the prosecution and for the defence Mr. Tucker said that the defendants were bona fide friends of the licensee and were entertained to supper. True it was not a knife and fork supper, but a spread of bread and cheese and pickles. They had that in the kitchen, and then returned to the smoke room. There was no doubt there were five glasses of beer, and those who had taken them were the licensee and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Vowles and Miss Jukes. Mistakes were made by the police like everybody else, and the evidence of the defendants would be that Penniket was not there at all.

The Stipendiary said it was obvious that the case could not be concluded that day, and by agreement an adjournment of the evidence for the defence was made to May 21st at West Bromwich.”

Samuel Eaton – see also NEW TALBOT.

Demolished

It was rebuilt in 1933.

Jackie Mann was married to *May*.

Richard Winsper – check also RISING SUN.

Jan Smith's partner was *Steve*.

[2008]

Closed [2012]

It was converted into a shop. [2014]



c. 1986



2008

NAGS HEAD

15, Dudley Street (15, Dudley Road) / Carters Green Passage, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Brinton, Spon Lane, West Bromwich
Harriet Lewis
Alfred Stockley, The Pleck, Walsall
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1912], [1929]

LICENSEES

Samuel Lewis [1871] - **1875**);
Mary Lewis (**1875 - 1886**);
Mrs. Harriet Lewis (**1886 - 1900**);
Thomas Pearson (**1900 - 1901**);
Alfred Stockley (**1901 - 1911**);
Alfred Jules Stockley (**1911 - 1912**);
Herbert Cole (**1912 - 1927**);
Robert 'Bobby' McNeal (**1927 - 1949**);
Leslie Edward Perry (**1949 - 1951**);
James Reginald Guest (**1951 - 1957**);
Harry William Hadley (**1957 - []**)

NOTES

15, Dudley Street [1881]
15, Dudley Road [1891]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Dudley Road – NAGS HEAD

- [1] *Samuel Lewis* (55), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Lewis* (59), wife, born Murton, Staffordshire;
- [3] William Bayley (37), son in law, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Harriet Bayley (28), daughter, born Great Barr;
- [5] Mary A. Bayley (8), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Samuel Bayley (6), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] William Bayley (4), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Harriet Bayley (3), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] Thomas Bayley (10 months), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [10] Emma Hill (15), general servant, born Willenhall;
- [11] Rachel Davies (12), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [12] Frederic Lewis (16), boarder, labourer in iron works, born Tettenhall:

Samuel Lewis died in 1875.

Wednesbury Herald 14/8/1880

“On Monday, Joseph Slim, an old man, was whitewashing a brewhouse in the rear of the NAGS HEAD public house, Dudley Road, West Bromwich, when his foot slipped, and he fell into a large copper full of boiling water. When he was taken out the flesh hung from his right leg. He was removed to the District Hospital.”

1881 Census

15, Dudley Street – NAGS HEAD

- [1] Mary Lewis (71), widow, innkeeper, born Merton, Shropshire;
- [2] Harriet Bayley (38), daughter, barmaid, born Great Barr;
- [3] Harriet Bayley (23), granddaughter, general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Mary A. Bayley (18), granddaughter, dress maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Samuel Bayley (16), grandson, ironworks roller, born West Bromwich;
- [6] William Bayley (14), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Maria Bayley (9), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] John Jones (21), boarder, coal miner, born Worthen, Shropshire:

Mrs. Harriet Lewis, beer retailer, 15, Dudley Street. [1888], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

15, Dudley Road – NAGS HEAD INN

- [1] Harriet Lewis (48), married, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Samuel Bailey (26), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] William Bailey (24), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Maria Bailey (19), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 26/8/1899 - Advert

“Messrs. T. Harford and Son are favoured with instructions from the Trustees of the late Harriet Lewis, to sell by public auction Lot 4. All that valuable Old Licensed Freehold Beerhouse, known as the NAGS HEAD, situate in Dudley Street, West Bromwich and for many years in the possession of the late Harriet Lewis. The house and premises consist of good Bed Room accommodation, Club Room, Smoke Room, Tap Room, Bar Parlour, Kitchen, Cellarage, Brewery, Stabling, Outbuildings and Enclosed Yard.

This well known Beerhouse occupies a prominent position with an extensive frontage to the Birmingham and Dudley main road. The business is entirely free from any restrictions, and the trade for years has been of a remunerative character. The position is one of the best in the Borough.....”

- It sold on 4th September 1899 for £3,000.

1901 Census

15, Dudley Street

- [1] Thomas Pearson (34), unmarried, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Mary Pearson (63), mother, widow, born Coseley;
- [3] Rose Lee (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Alfred Stockley, beer retailer, 15, Dudley Street. [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

15, Dudley Street

- [1] Alfred Jules Stockley (21), publican, beerhouse keeper, born Walsall;
- [2] Florence Stockley (24), wife, married 5 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Florence Mabel Stockley (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Alfred Jules Stockley (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Henry James Stockley (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Polly Stockley (14), sister, born Walsall:

Alfred Jules Stockley, beer retailer, 15, Dudley Street. [1912]

Herbert Cole was married to Emma.

Robert McNeal was a former half back for West Bromwich Albion.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946]

A full license was granted on 11th March 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

Leslie Edward Perry – see also BUSH.

James Reginald Guest – see also HARGATE TAVERN.

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

Harry William Hadley – see also DOG AND DUCK.

Closed

It became a shoe shop, and later a motor cycle shop, and eventually a furniture shop.

NAGS HEAD

Hall End, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Mason [1851]

NAVIGATION

2, (12), Bagnall Street, (2b, Puddingbag Street), Golds Green, (Golds Hill), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Hinkinson
Mary Ann Egginton, Harvills Hawthorn, West Bromwich
Flower and Sons Ltd., Stratford on Avon

LICENSEES

William Calloway [1869]
Thomas Hinkinson [] - **1873**);
George Egginton (**1873 - 1878**);
Joseph Henry Bache Egginton (**1878 - 1894**);
Alfred Henry Flukes (**1894**);
George Arnold (**1894 - 1902**);
Mrs. Sarah Arnold (**1902 - 1908**);
William Preece (**1908 - 1910**);
Richard Ralphs (**1910 - 1911**):

NOTES

12, Bagnall Street [1871]
2, Bagnall Street [1881]
2b, Puddingbag Street [1891], [1901]

It had a beerhouse license.

William Calloway was fined 2s 6d and costs for selling ale during prohibited hours, in February 1869.

1871 Census

12, Bagnall Street
[1] *Thomas Hinkinson* (33), bricklayer and publican, born West Bromwich;
[2] Sarah Hinkinson (32), wife, born Tipton;
[3] Sarah Ann Hinkinson (32), sister to head, unmarried, general servant, born West Bromwich;
[4] Thomas H. Hinkinson (6), scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

2, Bagnall Street
[1] *Joseph H. B. Egginton* (33), unmarried, innkeeper, born West Bromwich;
[2] Arthur Rhodes (13), errand boy, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

2b, Pudding Bag Street – NAVIGATION INN
[1] *Joseph Egginton* (42), unmarried, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
[2] Samuel Pitt (16), servant, errand boy, born Tipton:

1901 Census

2b, Puddingbag Street

[1] *George Arnold* (49), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Sarah Arnold* (50), wife, born West Bromwich:

George Arnold was married to *Sarah*.

He died in 1902.

Mrs. *Sarah Arnold*, beer retailer, 2b, Puddingbag Street, Golds Green. [1904]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1910.

The license renewal was refused on 21st June 1910.

1911 Census

Golds Hill – NAVIGATION INN

[1] *Richard Ralphs* (54), publican, born Brittle [Brettell] Lane;

[2] *Leiza Ralphs* (54), wife, married 29 years, assistant in the business, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Rich Albert Ralphs* (27), son, plate layer, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Edith Ralphs* (19), daughter, shop assistant, tobacconist, born West Bromwich:

The license was extinguished on 14th April 1911.

NAVIGATION

Navigation Lane, (Beacon View Lane), (Walsall Road), (Tame Bridge), (Bushleholme), Friar Park, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Parker, Peel Street, Walsall
Thomas Fox, King Street, Walsall
Henry Kirby, licensed victualler, Pleck Road, Walsall
William Butler and Co. Ltd. (leased)
Twist's Brewery Ltd., Walsall [1925], [1943]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Benjamin Breakwell [1869] - **1876**);
Thomas Fox (**1876 - 1894**);
Caroline Fox (**1894 - 1899**);
Enoch Marshall (**1899 - 1925**);
Henry Preston (**1925**);
Frank Allen (**1925 - 1937**);
Graham Douglas Rees (**1937 - []**)
Robert Jenkins (**1961 - 1969**)
Keith Horton [1990]
Henry Melody [1997]

NOTES

Tame Bridge [1891]
Walsall Road [1901], [1982], [1990]
Beacon View Lane [1997]

It had a beerhouse license.

Benjamin Breakwell = Benjamin Brakswell = Benjamin Brakwell

1871 Census

Tame Bridge

- [1] *Benjamin Brakwell* (50), unmarried, plate layer, born Wednesbury;
- [2] Ann Turner (46), widow, housekeeper, born Wellington, Shropshire;
- [3] James Turner (24), son, labourer, born Moxley;
- [4] Frederick Turner (21), son, labourer, born Moxley;
- [5] Mary H. Turner (16), daughter, assistant in house, born Moxley;
- [6] Robert Turner (14), son, labourer, born Wednesbury;
- [7] Emiley Turner (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Thomas Turner (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] Elizabeth Turner (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] Charles Turner (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [11] Mary A. Morriss (17), servant, born Rowley;

Benjamin Breakwell was fined 20s and costs, circa 1876.

1881 Census

Tame Bridge – NAVIGATION INN

- [1] *Thomas Fox* (52), coal miner, born Rushall;
- [2] *Caroline Fox* (52), wife, born Rushall;
- [3] *Mary Ann Fox* (15), daughter, born Walsall;
- [4] *William Fox* (11), son, scholar, born Walsall:

Thomas Fox was fined £7 and costs, on 8th August 1889, for three cases of being open during prohibited hours.

1891 Census

Tame Bridge – NAVIGATION INN

- [1] *Thomas Fox* (62), beerhouse keeper, born Rushall;
- [2] *Caroline Fox* (62), wife, born Rushall;
- [3] *Mary A. Fox* (24), daughter, born Walsall;
- [4] *William Fox* (20), son, born Walsall:

Thomas Fox died in 1893.

1901 Census

Walsall Road – Tavern

- [1] *Enoch Marshall* (30), beer retailer, born Wyrley, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Polyxana Marshall* (26), wife, born Bloxwich;
- [3] *Edith Nellie Marshall* (3), daughter, born Bloxwich;
- [4] *Nellie Somerfield* (22), sister in law, unmarried, born Bloxwich:

Enoch Marshall, beer retailer, Bushelholme. [1904]

1911 Census

Tame Bridge – NAVIGATION INN

- [1] *Enoch Marshall* (40), publican, born Wyrley, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Polyxena Marshall* (36), wife, married 16 years, born Bloxwich;
- [3] *Edith Nellie Marshall* (13), daughter, school, born Bloxwich;
- [4] *Harold Marshall* (6), son, school, born West Bromwich:

Walsall Observer 9/8/1924 - Advert

“Announcement of Sale of Well-known, Valuable Licensed Property. Messrs. Fox and Harrison, FAI, are favoured with instructions from the Owner to Offer for Sale by Public Auction, at the STORK HOTEL, Walsall, on Tuesday, 19th August, 1924, at Seven o’clock in the Evening (subject to conditions):-

The Valuable, Widely-known, Old-established Free Freehold Beerhouse, with Wine License, known by the Sign of the NAVIGATION INN.

Situate on the Walsall and West Bromwich Road at Tame Bridge, near Wednesbury, at present held by Messrs. W. Butler and Co, Ltd. whose tenancy expires on 22nd November, 1924. When possession can be obtained.

The Accommodation comprises:-

Smoke Room, Tap Room, Entrance with Out-door serving window, Public Bar, Three Bedrooms, Kitchen, Scullery, and good dry Cellarage.

Outside are: Stabling for 7 horses, Coach House, Coal-house, and the usual Offices.

The Two Freehold Cottages adjoining will be included in the Sale. They are let at weekly rentals producing £27 1s 8d per annum.

This Licensed Property occupies an excellent position on the West Bromwich Road, Tame Bridge. It is soundly built and in a good state of repair. It is doing a lucrative business. There is ample ground for a through Roadway and Motor accommodation.

The Trade Fixture are the property of the Tenant, and are not included in the Sale.....”

Friar Park Rangers FC were founded here in the 1930's.

William Pritchard, beerhouse, 48, New Street. [1936]

The Licensing Justices granted a Publican's License in respect of these premises on 10th March 1938, and confirmed on 29th April 1938.

A team from here took part in the Stone Cross and District Dominoes League. [1951]

Black Country Bugle 11/4/2013

This covers the story of the explosion at Friar Park on 6th February 1962.

"The load [methyl ethyl ketone] was being driven by John Walker of Blackburn in an Albion Chieftain, and according to official fire brigade reports shown to us by John Bowen, the driver noticed smoke coming from under the sheeting on the back of his lorry as he headed along Walsall Road towards West Bromwich. Well aware of the nature of his load, he kept his eyes peeled for somewhere open and isolated to park up, and saw an expanse of waste ground at Friar Park.

He left the lorry as far as possible from any buildings, and ran to the nearest pub, The NAVIGATION, to raise the alarm. While the landlord was calling the Fire Brigade, the driver ran out of the pub to head back and check on the lorry – when the entire load went up in one massive explosion....."

There were many people injured, and property damaged, including the NAVIGATION which had its roof destroyed and its windows blown in.

Black Country Bugle 2/3/2000

Letter from Ken Ford, Friar Park

".....I used to live near the now defunct NAVIGATION INN, Friar Park In the late 50's and early 60's in the days of Teddy Boys and Rock & Roll he ['Johnny Guitar'] would perform in the smoke room on Sunday mornings....."

Henry Melody was married to Jenny.

It closed on 20th July 1998.
Demolished



c. 1986

NELSON

48, (34), New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Hampton, Moor Street, West Bromwich [1872]
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]
Enterprise Inns

LICENSEES

John Fairbrother [1861]
John Green [1870] - 1903);
William Thomas Colclough (1903);
Alfred Phillips (1903 - 1906);
Isaac Jebulon Richards (1906 - 1922);
Mrs. Florence Richards (1922);
John George Giles (1922 - 1925);
Herbert Steventon (1925 - 1927);
William Pritchard (1927 - 1940);
Samuel Edgar Law (1940);
Thomas William Whittaker (1940 - 1942);
Philip Daw (1942 - 1943);
Arthur Cumberbach (1943 - 1949);
Harold Victor Wood (1949 - 1950);
Maurice George Corbett (1950 - 1953);
George Henry Finch (1953 - 1956);
Norman John Dearn (1956 - 1962);
Arthur Pedley (1962 - 1963);
Richard Joseph Roberts (1963 - 1968);
Edward Walter William Randle (1968 - 1969);
Ronald Cooksey (1969);
Robert Thompson (1969 - 1970);
Kenneth Victor Mallin (1970);
Raymond Simcox (1970 - 1971);
James Albert Jones (1971 - 1980);
Brian Lawrence Price (1980 - 1982);
Gordon Stevens (1982 - 1983);
Christine Lily Haynes (1983 - 1987);
Michael William Drury (1987 - 1989);
John Arthur Lolbourne (1989 - 1992);
John David Gilbert (1992 - 1993)
Nigel Bailey [1993]
Howard Turrell (1993 - 1995);
William Alexander MacGowan (1995);
David Brian Gilbert (1995 - 1997);
Paul Charles Turner (1997 - 1999);
Anthony Melia (1999 - 2000);
Linda Davies (2000 - []



NOTES

34, New Street [1881], [1888], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1899], [1900], [1901], [1904], [1912], [1914]
48, New Street [1936]

It had a beerhouse license.

John Fairbrother, beer retailer, New Street. [1861]

1861 Census

New Street

- [1] *John Fairbrother* (46), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Fairbrother* (45), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Emily Fairbrother* (18), daughter, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Mary Fairbrother* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William Fairbrother* (10), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Joseph Fairbrother* (4), son, born West Bromwich:

* possibly the same person

John Green, beer retailer, New Street. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

New Street

- [1] *John Green* (25), taylor, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Green* (24), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Amy Green* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

John Green, beer retailer, 34, New Street. [1880]

1881 Census

34, New Street

- [1] *John Green* (35), tailor, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Green* (34), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lizzie Green* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Green* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Robert Green* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Frederick Green* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ellen Green* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Hannah Stevens* (15), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

John Green, beer retailer, 34, New Street. [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

34, New Street – NELSON INN

- [1] *John Green* (45), tailor, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Green* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lizzie Green* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Bob Green* (15), son, safe maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frederick Green* (14), son, engine fitter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Nelly Green* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *John Green* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Edith Green* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Joseph Albert Green* (3), son, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

34, New Street

[1] *John Green* (55), publican, beerhouse, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Jane Green* (54), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *John Green* (18), son, machine fitter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Edith Green* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Joseph Albert Green* (13), son, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Clara Crowley* (13), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 13/4/1901

“On Wednesday evening Mr. Lyon Clark (Deputy Coroner) held an inquest at the NELSON INN, New Street, respecting the death of Peter Johnson (67), formerly residing in Griffin Street, who died on Tuesday from the effects of injuries sustained through a fall on January 17th last. Deceased had been treated at the District Hospital and by Dr. Somers. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”

William Thomas Colclough was fined £1 and costs, on 29th June 1903, for permitting drunkenness.

Alfred Phillips, beer retailer, 34, New Street. [1904]

Isaac Richards, beer retailer, 34, New Street. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

New Street – NELSON INN

[1] *Isaac Jebulon Richards* (39), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Florence Richards* (33), wife, married 10 years, assisting in business, born West Bromwich:

Isaac Richards died in 1922.

Maurice George Corbett – see also ROYAL OAK, Tipton and WAGGON AND HORSES, Tipton.

A full license was granted on 12th March 1953, and confirmed on 14th April 1953.

George Henry Finch was married to Gertrude Lucy Alice.

Norman John Dearn – see also QUEENS HEAD, Tipton.

[2006]

Closed [2008]

It was demolished in 2008.



2006

NEW INN

42, Ault Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Jane Taylor

George Thomas Taylor, Ault Street, West Bromwich

John Jordan and Co.

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1921]

LICENSEES

Jane Taylor [] - **1881**);

Catherine Taylor (**1881** - []

Thomas George [] - **1883**);

Joseph George (**1883 - 1884**);

Joseph Parsonage (**1884**);

Thomas Danks (**1884 - 1891**);

Isaiah Hodgetts (**1891 - 1892**);

William Hodgetts (**1892**);

Thomas Hodgetts (**1892 - 1893**);

Herbert Steventon (**1893**);

Samuel Savage (**1893**);

David Hill (**1893 - 1895**);

James Nickless (**1895 - 1896**);

Mrs. Lucy Nickless (**1896**);

Alfred Wilkinson (**1896 - 1897**);

John Frederick Vale (**1897**);

Isaiah Hodgetts (**1897 - 1900**);

Mrs. Emily Hodgetts (**1900 - 1901**);

Reuben Hodgetts (**1901**);

Samuel Slim (**1901 - 1902**);

Thomas Philpotts (**1902 - 1903**);

William Henry Lyndon (**1903 - 1904**);

Thomas Henry Hayhoe (**1904 - 1905**);

Sarah Ann Bonser (**1905**);

Joseph Wesley (**1905 - 1906**);

Sarah Turley (**1906 - 1908**);

Norman Ernest Poultney (**1908 - 1911**);

William Holloway (**1911**);

Edward Carpenter (**1911 - 1913**);

Robert Charles Watkins (**1913 - 1914**);

Albert Scott (**1914 - 1921**);

Arthur Cartwright (**1921**);

NOTES

It had a beer and wine license.

1881 Census

42, Ault Street – Public House

- [1] *Catherine Taylor* (52), married, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *George Taylor* (23), son, glass maker, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Taylor* (20), son, labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hatie Taylor* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eli Taylor* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ann Prince* (31), daughter, married, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ada Prince* (3), niece, scholar, born Tamworth:

1891 Census

42, Ault Street

- [1] *Thomas Danks* (36), iron works roller, born Rowley;
- [2] *Mary Ann Danks* (34), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Sarah Ann Danks* (12), daughter, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Thomas Danks* (11), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [5] *James Danks* (9), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Polly Danks* (7), daughter, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [7] *William Danks* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Ann E. Danks* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Maria Kew* (16), domestic servant, born Oldbury:

Isaiah Hodgetts (b. c. 1850, Brierley Hill) was married to *Emily* (b. c. 1851, Brierley Hill).
He died in 1900.

See also BIRD IN HAND, Smethwick.

1901 Census

42, Ault Street

- [1] *Reuben Hodgetts* (28), coal miner, underground hewer, born Gornal;
- [2] *Eliza Hodgetts* (25), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Lizzie Hodgetts* (4), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [4] *Annie Hodgetts* (2), daughter, born Smethwick:

James Nickless was married to *Lucy*.
He died in 1896.

William Henry Lyndon, beer retailer, Ault Street. [1904]

1911 Census

42, Ault Street – NEW INN

- [1] *William Holloway* (37), holloware tinner and public house manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Holloway* (40), wife, married 13 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Gladys Holloway* (13), daughter, cardboard box maker, iron foundry, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Alfred Holloway* (11), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Bertha Holloway* (7), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Wilfred Holloway* (5), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Thomas Holloway* (under 1), son, born West Bromwich:

Robert Charles Watkins – see also KINGS ARMS, and WHITE SWAN.

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1921.
The license was extinguished on 31st December 1921.

NEW INN

2, Grout Street, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Strange Hatton, Wednesbury
A. Parish, Lanehead Farm, Bewdley
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Abraham Parish [1881] – **1884**);
Thomas James Wall (**1884 – 1886**);
James Botten (**1886 – 1897**);
Richard Thomas Finch (**1897 – 1900**);
Daniel Mills (**1900 – 1912**);
Thomas Hyde (**1912 – 1913**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

2, Grout Street – NEW INN

- [1] *Abraham Parish* (49), grocer and publican, born Dudley;
- [2] *Eliza Parish* (48), wife, born Rowley;
- [3] *George Parish* (25), son, coal miner, born Rowley;
- [4] *Eliza Parish* (17), daughter, born Rowley;
- [5] *Abraham Parish* (15), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary M. Parish* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 15/8/1885

“West Bromwich Police Court. George Smith (28), collier, 24 Grout Street, West Bromwich, was summoned for being quarrelsome, on Bank Holiday, in the NEW INN, Grout Street, Greets Green. - *Thomas James Wall*, landlord of the house deposed to defendant having started a disturbance, in consequence of which he was ordered to leave. As he refused he was put out. Defendant said the house was a gambling house, and because he went to the station to fetch the police to see things used for gambling he was roughly used, and his clothes pulled about 2s 6d fine and costs or 7 days.”

1891 Census

2, Grout Street

- [1] *James Botten* (35), grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Botten* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Arthur Botten* (20), brother, ironwork roller, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Gertrude Wall* (9), niece, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Tolley* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

James Botten was fined 20s and costs, on 13th July 1896, for suffering gaming.

1901 Census

2, Grout Street

- [1] Daniel Mills (43), publican and grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Emma Mills (43), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Polly Mills (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Gertrude Mills (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Arthur Mills (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Elizabeth Mills (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Daniel Mills (10), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Emma Mills (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] Maud Mills (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [10] Gladys Mills (3), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Daniel Mills, shopkeeper and beer retailer, 2, Grout Street. [1904]

1911 Census

2, Grout Street

- [1] Daniel Mills (56), beerhouse keeper, born Greets Green;
- [2] Emma Mills (56), wife, married 31 years, born Tipton;
- [3] Gertrude Mills (26), daughter, assists in business, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Emma Mills (18), daughter, assists in business, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Gladys Mills (12), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Christine Lloyd (2), grandchild, born West Bromwich:

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 13th March 1913.

The license renewal was refused on 10th June 1913.

The license was extinguished on 31st December 1913.

NEW INN

46, New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Arnold, Dartmouth Park Brewery, West Bromwich
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929]

LICENSEES

Henry Field [1868] – **1871**);
George Arnold (**1871 – 1881**);
William Arnold (**1881 – 1887**);
George Arnold (**1887 – 1891**);
Edward Arnold (**1891 – 1905**);
Daniel Garbett Nurse (**1905 – 1911**);
William Edward Watkins (**1911 – 1913**);
William Horton (**1913 – 1950**);
Frederick Charles Yates (**1950 – 1954**);
Thomas Leonard Scott (**1954 – 1956**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Henry Field, beer retailer, New Street. [1870]

George Arnold, beer retailer and builder, New Street. [1872], [1888], [1889], [1896]

1881 Census

46, New Street

- [1] *William Arnold* (45), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Catherine Arnold* (43), wife, born Steventon;
- [3] *George Arnold* (16), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Arnold* (14), daughter, pupil teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Arnold* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Edward Arnold* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Charles Arnold* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Annie Arnold* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Helen Williams* (20), visitor, domestic servant, born Steventon;
- [10] *Rose Smith* (21), domestic servant, born Haddow, Northamptonshire:

1891 Census

46, New Street – NEW INNS

- [1] *George Arnold* (59), retail brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Emma Arnold* (53), wife, born Penkridge, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Edward Arnold* (23), son, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Arnold* (21), daughter, assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice Lawrence* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

George Arnold, beer retailer, 46, New Street. [1892]
He was the son of James [MILL POOL].

Edward Arnold, beer retailer, 46, New Street. [1896], [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

46, New Street

- [1] *Edward Arnold* (33), brewer and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eleanor Arnold* (35), wife, born Redditch;
- [3] *Edith Arnold* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Arnold* (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Herbert Arnold* (5), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elizabeth Wilkes* (64), mother in law, born Redditch;
- [7] *Mary Ann Worthington* (22), nurse, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Alice Thomas* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Daniel Garbett Nurse – see also THREE MILE OAK.

1911 Census

46, New Street – NEW INN

- [1] *William Edward Watkins* (41), army pensioner, beerhouse manager, born Wolverhampton;
- [2] *Sarah Ellen Watkins* (37), wife, married 15 years, born Percy Main, Newcastle on Tyne;
- [3] *Edith Watkins* (14), daughter, born Maryhill, Glasgow;
- [4] *Edward Percy Watkins* (13), son, born Whitefield, Lancashire;
- [5] *William Ernest Watkins* (10), son, born Montrose, Forfarshire:

William Edward Watkins, beer retailer, 46, New Street. [1912]

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

Frederick Charles Yates – see also GEORGE, Smethwick.

Thomas Leonard Scott – see also CRICKETERS ARMS.

The license was surrendered on the grant of a Publican's License to the ANCHOR INN, Spon Lane.
It closed at 10pm on 18th April 1956.

NEW BELL

77, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Holt Brewery Co.
Ansell's Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Hadley [1818]
Elizabeth Hadley [1830] – [1835]
Samuel Mason [1841] – [1861]
John Marson [1858]
John Thomas Ray [1864] – [1865]
William Chamberlain [1868] – [1881]
Benjamin Hammond [1888] – [1889]
Arthur P Mason [1891] – **1892**);
Thomas Jones (**1892 – 1893**);
Samuel Thomas Staines (**1893**);
Thomas Jones (**1893**);
Arthur Henry Green (**1893 – 1894**);
Harry Reed (**1894 – 1895**);
James Armstrong (**1895 – 1899**);
Edward John Bird Martin (**1899**);
William Day (**1899 – 1904**);
Joseph Yates (**1904 – 1905**);
George West (**1905 – 1909**);
John Lovekin (**1909 – 1910**);
Charles James Udall (**1910 – 1911**);
John Thomas Handley (**1911 – 1912**);
Albert Edward Williams (**1912 – 1914**);
George Perks (**1914 – 1921**);
Ernest Frederick Spurrier (**1921 – 1925**);
Edward Jones (**1925 – 1926**);
Joseph Henry Scott (**1926 – 1927**);
Isaiah Baker (**1927 – 1934**);
John Tipping (**1934 – 1935**);
Josiah Riley (**1935 – []**)
Walter Barnsley [1938] – **1941**);
Ada Barnsley (**1941**);
Edward Charles Jefford (**1941 – 1946**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Jefford (**1946**);
Albert John Beacham (**1946 – 1953**);
Christopher Arthur Bray (**1953 – 1958**);
Albert Harry Parkes (**1958 – 1960**);
Stanley Clarke Withers (**1960 – 1961**);
Samuel Hinett (**1961 – []**)

NOTES

BELL [1860], [1861], [1871]

Samuel Mason, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1845]

Black Country Bugle 5/11/1998 **'The Old Inns Of West Bromwich'**

"Further down the lane [from the OLD BELL], on the opposite side, was the NEW BELL. This inn has also been closed within the last few decades In 1850, *Samuel Mason* moved the business six houses closer to Dartmouth Square, the former inn remaining with its brewhouse for many years and becoming a radio shop by the 1940's."

1851 Census

Spon Lane – NEW BELL INN

- [1] *Samuel Mason* (42), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lucy Mason* (43), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary A. Mason* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Mason* (17), son, pistol filer, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Selina Mason* (15), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Samuel Mason* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Elizabeth Mason* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Emma Mason* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Martha Wheeler* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Wolverhampton Chronicle 20/1/1858

"About half past eleven o'clock on Friday night a serious robbery was committed at the NEW BELL INN, Spon Lane, kept by Mr. *John Marson*. Entrance was effected through an upper window, and of course at such a comparatively early hour, the inmates not having gone to bed, it was necessary to make short work. Accordingly, having untouched some watches and other articles of value, the thieves made off with the sum of £16 in gold and silver from a drawer, and effected their escape with their booty without discovery....."

1861 Census

Spon Lane

- [1] *Samuel Mason* (52), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lucy Mason* (53), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Mason* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Mason* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Charles Williams* (47), servant, born Tipton;
- [6] *Ann Moore* (21), servant, born West Bromwich:

John Thomas Ray was also a millwright and engineer, Valley Engine Works. [1864]

John Thomas Ray, NEW BELL, Spon Lane, and millwright and engineer, Stour Valley Works, Sams Lane. [1865]

1871 Census

Spon Lane – BELL INN

- [1] *William Chamberlain* (38), ale and porter dealer, born Nottingham;
- [2] *Celia Chamberlain* (36), wife, born Willenhall;
- [3] *Sarah Chamberlain* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Louisa Chamberlain* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice Chamberlain* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Celia Chamberlain* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Emma Chamberlain* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Chamberlain was also a wine, spirit, porter and ale merchant. [1872]

1881 Census

77, Spon Lane – NEW BELL INN

- [1] *William Chamberlain* (48), licensed victualler, born Nottingham;
- [2] *Alice Chamberlain* (46), wife, born Willenhall;
- [3] *Alice Chamberlain* (18), daughter, pupil teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Celia Chamberlain* (15), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Chamberlain* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Arthur Chamberlain* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

77, Spon Lane

- [1] *Arthur P. Mason* (31), publican, born Harts Hill;
- [2] *Mary Mason* (35), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Florence K. Mason* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Stanton* (20), general servant, born Tipton;
- [5] *Sarah Hodgetts* (14), general servant, born Tipton:

Smethwick Telephone 7/11/1896

“On Monday night the jubilee dinner of Court ‘Love’ in connection with the Ancient Order of Foresters, took place at the NEW BELL INN, Spon Lane, West Bromwich.....”

1901 Census

77, Spon Lane

- [1] *William Day* (34), licensed victualler, born Wombourn;
- [2] *Elizabeth Day* (30), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Day* (9), son, born Trysull;
- [4] *Ernest Day* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah A. Day* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Harry Day* (7 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Susan Civil* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

George West – check also TALBOT.

John Thomas Handley = John Thomas Henley

1911 Census

77, Spon Lane

- [1] *John Handley* (48), publican, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Mary Handley* (41), wife, married 13 years, assisting in business, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Marrion Handley* (12), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Beatrice Handley* (10), daughter, school, born Dudley:

Joseph Henry Scott – see also COTTAGE SPRING.

Edward Charles Jefford was married to *Elizabeth*.
He died in 1946.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Dominoes League, North Division. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Dominoes League. [1951]

Stanley Clarke Withers – see also BARLEY MOW, Tividale, and ROWLEY RAG, Rowley Regis.

NEW CHURCH TAVERN

3, (1+3), Sandwell Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Isaac Downing, Rowley Regis
Rev. J. H. Crump, Cambridge (later at Smethwick)
Arthur James Price, West Bromwich
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1909]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Richard Walker [1871] - **1874**);
William Walker (**1874 - 1886**);
John Walker (**1886 - []**)
Joseph Walker [1891] - **1896**);
Mrs. Helen Walker (**1896 - 1905**);
Frederick Charles Hiron (**1905 - 1907**);
James Thomas Johnson (**1907 - 1908**);
William Burton (**1908 - 1913**);
William Edward Watkins (**1913 - 1915**);
William Henry Hunt (**1915 - 1934**);
Frederick Hudson (**1934 - 1951**);
Robert Baden Walker (**1951 - 1957**);
Sydney Dennis Whale (**1957 - 1959**);
William Andrew Davies (**1959 - []**)

NOTES

1+3, Sandwell Road [1881]
3, Sandwell Road [1891]

CHURCH TAVERN [1874], [1885], [1886], [1891]
NEW CHURCH TAVERN [1896]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Sandwell Road

- [1] *Richard Walker* (49), corn factor, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Elizabeth Walker* (49), wife, born Rowley Regis;
- [3] *Annie Walker* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Walker* (22), son, corn factor, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Hannah Walker* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elizabeth Walker* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Harriett Walker* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

1+3, Sandwell Road

- [1] *William Walker* (32), corn dealer and beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary A. Walker* (33), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Gertrude E. Walker* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Florence J. Walker* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Walker* (23), brother, assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah E. Bale* (17), general servant, born Darlaston:

Wednesbury Herald 10/9/1881

“A meeting of creditors of *Willam Walker*, corn merchant and beerhouse keeper, Sandwell Road, West Bromwich, was held at the office of Mr. William Shakespeare, solicitor, Oldbury, on Tuesday. Mr. Ernest Howard, corn merchant, Leicester, presided. The statement of affairs showed unsecured creditors £1,483 19s 4d; creditors for rents, rates and taxes £61 6s 10d; liabilities on bills discounted £371 15s 3d of which sum it is expected £40 15s 6d will rank with the estate for dividend; total liabilities £1,523 14s 10d. The assets consist of £90, stock-in-trade at Sandwell Road, West Bromwich; book debts £732 6s 8d, estimated to produce £80; furniture, fixtures, &c £53; horses, carts, and machinery £70; total £298, less creditors to be paid in full £61 6s 10d; nett £231 18s 3d. A composition of 1s in the pound was offered on behalf of the debtor, but this was refused; and, after considerable discussion, an offer of 2s 6d in the pound was accepted, payable 1s in the pound in two months; a second instalment of the same amount in five months; and 6d in the pound in nine months from the confirmation of the proceedings.”

Wednesbury Herald 27/1/1883

“West Bromwich Brewers’ Association. A quarterly meeting of the members of this association was held on Wednesday afternoon, at the CHURCH TAVERN, Sandwell Road. Mr. *W. Walker* presiding.....”

Smethwick Telephone 29/8/1885

“Quarterly meeting of West Bromwich, Smethwick and District Retail Brewers Protection and Benevolent Association [president Mr. *W. Walker*] held at CHURCH TAVERN, Sandwell Road.....”

William Walker was chairman of the West Bromwich, Smethwick, Oldbury and District Retail Brewers, Beer and Wine Trade Protection and Benevolent Association.

1891 Census

3, Sandwell Road – CHURCH TAVERN

- [1] *Joseph Walker* (33), corn factor and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Helen Walker* (30), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *Richard Walker* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ernest Walker* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Helen Walker* (3), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Joseph Walker* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Florence M. Walker* (under 1 month), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Norah Night* (19), general servant, born Banbury, Oxfordshire;
- [9] *Amplès Fox* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 5/7/1902

“A very enjoyable evening was spent by the officials and a few of the members of the money society held at the CHURCH TAVERN, Sandwell Road, on Tuesday, on the occasion of a supper and smoking concert. Mr. G. Dimbylow occupied the chair.....”

1911 Census

Sandwell Road – CHURCH TAVERN

- [1] *William Burton* (39), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Alice Burton* (40), wife, married 20 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Henry Burton* (19), son, groom, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Florence Burton* (16), daughter, assisting in bar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lilly Burton* (13), daughter, assisting in bar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Burton* (5), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Maudie Burton* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *James Spooner* (33), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

William Edward Watkins – see also NEW INN, New Street.

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

[1959]

NEW HOP POLE

376, (324), High Street / Dartmouth Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Wakeman
Thomas Brennand [1900], [1912]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1929]
Courage Ltd.
Scottish and Newcastle
Admiral Taverns

LICENSEES

George Wakeman [1858] - **1891**;
Charles Gwynne [1891] manager
Thomas Brennand (**1891 - 1929**);
Joseph Adams [1901] manager
Benjamin Pedley (**1929 - 1933**);
Alfred James Brooks (**1933 - 1951**);
George Albert Williams (**1951 - 1952**);
John Mann (**1952 - 1955**);
Thomas Alfred Broomhall (**1955 - 1957**);
Geoffrey Beesley (**1957 - []**)
Norman John Dearn [1960's]
Richard Stynes [1983]
Gerald Francis Quinn [1992] - [2001]
Deepak Kumar [2012]



2003

NOTES

324, High Street [1881], [1888], [1889], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900]
376, High Street [1901], [1904], [1908], [1912], [1916], [1921], [1990], [1993]

HOP POLE [1864], [1865], [1868], [1888], [1889]
NEW HOP POLES [1896]

It was known locally as the "Bottom Wrexham".

It had a beerhouse license.

George Wakeman, beer retailer, High Street. [1858], [1861]

An auction of dwelling houses in Bond Street was held here on 21st June 1875.

George Wakeman = George Wakelam

1881 Census

324, High Street

- [1] *George Wakelam* (55), licensed victualler, born Worcestershire;
- [2] *Maria Wakelam* (44), wife, born Staffordshire;
- [3] *Mary A. Wakelam* (27), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elijah Reynolds* (30), general servant, born Staffordshire:

1891 Census

324, High Street – HOP POLE

- [1] *Charles Gwynne* (28), public house manager, born Marlby, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Annie Gwynne* (26), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alfred Gwynne* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Henry Gwynne* (6 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Abigail Holloway* (14), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Brennand – see also CROSS GUNS.

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/1/1900

“National United Order of Free Gardeners, West Bromwich and Smethwick District At the District House, the NEW HOP POLE, High Street, West Bromwich, a very interesting ceremony took place on Saturday night, before the initiating into the above Order of Mr. James Clark (Borough Coroner).....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 20/1/1900

“The annual meeting of the Free Gardeners Convalescent Home General Committee was held on Thursday evening at the NEW HOP POLE.....”

1901 Census

376, High Street

- [1] *Joseph Adams* (25), hotel manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eleanor Adams* (22), wife, born Liverpool;
- [3] *Eleanor M. Adams* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 18/1/1902

“Free Gardeners Friendly Society, West Bromwich and Smethwick District. The yearly meeting of the Convalescent Home and General Committee in connection with the above was held at the NEW HOP POLE INN, Dartmouth Street, West Bromwich, on Thursday last. Bro. William Mallin PDM, presided, Bro. William Grigg DM, occupying the vice-chair.....”

Alfred James Brooks = Alfred James Brookes

A. J. Brooks died in 1951.

George Albert Williams – see also HIGHLAND LADDIE.

[2008]

It was renamed STROLLERS. [2011]

[2014]



2014

NEW STREET TAVERN

5, New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James H Hodgetts [1861]

NOTES

1861 Census

5, New Street

- [1] *James H. Hodgetts* (37), born France;
 - [2] *Mary Hodgetts* (35), wife, born West Bromwich;
 - [3] *Thomas Hodgetts* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
 - [4] *Fanny Hodgetts* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
 - [5] *Kate Hodgetts* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
 - [6] *Henry Hodgetts* (1 month), son, born West Bromwich;
- and one boarder and two visitors:

NEW TALBOT

41, Black Lake / Brecknock Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Walton, Swan Road, West Bromwich
J. A. and A. Thompson, Oldbury
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd.
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Garrington [] - **1871**);
Thomas Taylor (**1871 - 1875**);
Thomas Goldie (**1875 - 1885**);
Samuel Richard Mansell (**1885 - 1886**);
Mary Ann Phillips (**1886**);
James Lawley (**1886 - 1887**);
William Phillips (**1887 - 1889**);
John Pritchard (**1889 - 1890**);
Mrs. Harriet (Pritchard) Lyman (**1890 - 1911**);
George Lyman (**1911 - 1912**);
Joseph Willoughby (**1912**);
William Williams Bullock (**1912 - 1913**);
Alfred Jules Stockley (**1913 - 1919**);
Mrs. Florence Rose Stockley (**1919 - 1922**);
Frederick William Adams (**1922 - 1924**);
Philip Blundell (**1924 - 1925**);
John William Mallett (**1925 - 1926**);
Samuel Eaton (**1926 - 1932**);
John Connard (**1932**);
Bernard Dagnan (**1932 - 1933**);
Arthur George Hawthorne (**1933 - 1942**);
Mrs. Ellen Hawthorne (**1942 - 1944**);
Herbert Ernest Dixon (**1944 - 1953**);
Norman Charles Harding (**1953 - 1959**);
Mrs. Ivy C Harding (**1959 - [1968]**)
Thomas Hoskins [1992]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

TALBOT INN

- [1] *Thomas Taylor* (52), widower, publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *William Taylor* (18), son, caster, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Eliza Taylor* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hannah Taylor* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Taylor, beer retailer, Black Lake. [1872]



Thomas Goldie = Thomas Golder

1881 Census

Black Lake – NEW TALBOT INN

- [1] *Thomas Goldie* (43), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Goldie* (45), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Mary Goldie* (25), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah J. Goldie* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Goldie* (13), son, scholar, born Boston, America;
- [6] *Isabella Goldie* (36), sister, domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

William Phillips, beer retailer, 41, Black Lake. [1888], [1889]

James Lawley, beer seller, 41, Black Lake. [1889]

John Pritchard was married to *Harriet*.

He died in 1890.

Harriet Pritchard married *George Lyman*.

1891 Census

41, Black Lake – NEW TALBOT INN

- [1] *George Lyman* (23), iron worker, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Lyman* (40), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Emma Earp* (23), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Harriet Lyman, beer retailer, 41, Black Lake. [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908]

1901 Census

Black Lake – NEW TALBOT INN

- [1] *George Lyman* (32), brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Lyman* (50), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Eliza Gaynor* (17), servant, born Tipton:

1911 Census

Blacklake – NEW TALBOT INN

- [1] *George Lyman* (43), son, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Lyman* (60), head, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Francis Johnson* (17), servant, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Jane Willoughby* (14), visitor, born West Bromwich:

George Lyman, beer retailer, 41, Black Lake. [1912]

William Williams Bullock – see also RISING SUN.

Alfred Jules Stockley was married to *Florence Rose*.

Frederick William Adams – check also CHURCHFIELD TAVERN.

Ordinary Removal of Publican's License, from the VULCAN INN, Oldbury Road, to these premises was granted on 13th March 1930, and confirmed on 17th April 1930.

Bernard Dagnan – check also BELL, Dudley Port, Tipton.

Arthur George Hawthorne was married to Ellen.
He died in 1942.

Norman Charles Harding was married to Ivy C.
He died in 1959.

Express and Star 24/11/1997 - Advert
“Bar and lounge, big garden, car park.”

[2014]



1986



1996



2014

NOAHS ARK

Duke Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Noah Collins [1834]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license. [1834]

NOAHS ARK

New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

George Till Wood [1900]

NORTH WESTERN

Shoe Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Edward Bostock [1885]

NOTES

Smethwick Telephone 14/3/1885

“West Bromwich Stipendiary Court. *Edward Bostock*, retail brewer, of the NORTH WESTERN INN, Shoe Lane was summoned for having his house open during prohibited hours on Sunday, February 22nd – dismissed.”

Check Spon Lane.

NORTH WESTERN

253, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Townsend, Spon Lane
Charles King, Arden Grove Brewery, Langley, Oldbury
J. Nunnely and Co., Burton on Trent
J. A. and A. Thompson, maltsters, Oldbury

LICENSEES

Samuel Johnson [1868] - **1874**);
Jonadab Townsend (**1874 - 1879**);
Edward Bostock (**1879 - 1881**);
Robert Gray (**1881 - 1887**);
Edward Asson (**1887 - 1888**);
Harry Reed (**1888 - 1891**);
Charles Watson (**1891 - 1892**);
Thomas Key (**1892 - 1893**);
Herbert Powell (**1893 - 1894**);
John Alfred Adams (**1894 - 1895**);
Henry Holland (**1895**):

NOTES

It had a beer and wine license.

Samuel Johnson, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1868]

1871 Census

Spon Lane

- [1] *Samuel Johnson* (54), publican, born Leicestershire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Johnson* (52), wife, born Witton, Northamptonshire;
- [3] *Maria Johnson* (22), daughter, born Newhold, Warwickshire;
- [4] *Mary Ann Johnson* (20), daughter, born Longsandford:

Jonadab Townsend was fined 20s and costs, on 11th September 1875, for supplying liquor to a police constable on duty.

1881 Census

253, Spon Lane – public house

- [1] *Edward Bostock* (35), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary A. Bostock* (30), wife, born Long Lawford;
- [3] *Edgar H. Bostock* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Herbert A. Bostock* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frank Bostock* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Harrold Bostock* (4), nephew, scholar, born Bilston;
- [7] *Ellen Wale* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Harry Reed, beer retailer, 253, Spon Lane. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

253, Spon Lane

[1] *Harry Reed* (29), publican, born Wolverhampton;

[2] *Martha Reed* (29), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Ethel Reed* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

The license was surrendered as from 10th October 1895, by the owners, Messrs J. A. and A. Thompson, in consideration of the grant to Joseph William Gray of a license to sell by retail, Beer off, in respect of certain premises known as No. 48, Florence Road.

OAK TAVERN

15, (16), Richard Street South, (Richmond Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Holland, Oldbury Road, West Bromwich
Daniel Rolinson (He sold it in 1897)
John Rolinson Ltd. [1921]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1943]

LICENSEES

Susannah Harris [1871] - **1875**);
Thomas Smith (**1875 - 1877**);
George Millership (**1877 - 1883**);
Jethro Powderhill (**1883 - 1885**);
George Johnson (**1885 - 1886**);
Simeon Cresswell (**1886- 1887**);
William Thomas Edwards (**1887 - 1891**);
Eunice Barnsley (**1891 - 1892**);
Henry Bagnall (**1892**);
Henry Stamps (**1892 - 1902**);
Martha Elizabeth Bird (**1902**);
John Pugh (**1902 - 1909**);
Mrs. Harriet Pugh (**1909 - 1910**);
Charles Priest (**1910 - 1939**);
Frederick George Coleman (**1939 - 1940**);
Walter Reginald Noake (**1940 - 1941**);
Arthur Charles Farmer (**1941 - 1943**);
Jeremiah Whitehouse (**1943 - 1950**);
Joseph Sadler (**1950 - [1956]**)

NOTES

16, Richard Street South [1881], [1891], [1901], [1911]
15, Richard Street South

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Richard Street South - OAK TAVERN

[1] *Susannah Harris* (26), widow, publican and grocer, born Shropshire;

[2] *Caroline Adams* (40), visitor, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

16, Richard Street South

- [1] *George Millership* (40), brewer's traveller, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Lucy Millership* (35), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *George Millership* (14), son, born Tipton;
- [4] *Ann L. Millership* (11), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [5] *Clara Millership* (8), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [6] *Charles H. Millership* (4), son, scholar, born Tipton;
- [7] *Richard Millership* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Eliza A. Millership* (11 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Sarah Roberts* (10), stepdaughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [10] *Thomas Roberts* (6), stepson, scholar, born Tipton:

1891 Census

16, Richard Street South

- [1] *William T. Edwards* (43), beerhouse keeper and bricklayer, born Dudley;
- [2] *Mary J. Edwards* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William J. Edwards* (21), son, packing case maker, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Beatrice Edwards* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alfred C. Edwards* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Florence J. Edwards* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Sarah E. Edwards* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

16, Richard Street South

- [1] *Henry Stamps* (31), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Martha E. Bird* (43), sister, widow, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Fanny Howell* (33), cousin, born Wolverton, Buckinghamshire;
- [4] *Harry Bird* (14), nephew, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Thomas Wright* (33), visitor, hoe setter, born West Bromwich:

John Pugh was married to *Harriet*.

He died in 1909.

1911 Census

16, Richard Street South

- [1] *Charles Priest* (44), beerhouse manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Priest* (43), wife, married 22 years, born Walsall;
- [3] *Edwin Priest* (19), son, wood turner, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *A. Harry Priest* (16), son, printer, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lillian Priest* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah Reed* (18), domestic servant, born Great Bridge;
- [7] *Elise Beasley* (16), barmaid, born West Bromwich:

Walter Reginald Noake – check ENGLISH OAK, Tipton.

Arthur Charles Farmer – see also LEOPARD, Moor Street.

Jeremiah Whitehouse – see also WINDMILL.

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

A full license was granted on 16th February 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

Joseph Sadler was born circa 1915.

ODDFELLOWS ARMS

Hall Street, (Ling Lane), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Henry Mitchell [1851]

NOTES

Henry Mitchell was born in Bromyard.

He was the father of Henry Mitchell (of Mitchells and Butlers).

See also CAPE, West Bromwich and CROWN, Oldbury Road, Smethwick.

He left home aged 14 and went to Worcester.

He married, firstly, Sarah Griffiths c. 1835. She died on 13th June 1837, after giving birth to Henry Mitchell II.

He moved to Stourbridge in 1842.

He was a builder's foreman here.

He moved to Dudley.

He married, secondly, Ruth Mogg (a widow), at St Thomas' Church, Dudley on 30th April 1843.

1851 Census

Ling Lane

[1] *Henry Mitchell* (40), beerseller, born Bromyard;

[2] *Ruth Mitchell* (44), wife, born Stourbridge;

[3] *Henry Mitchell* (13), son, scholar, born Worcester;

[4] *Anne Mitchell* (17), niece, house servant, born Stourbridge;

[5] *Joseph King* (15), servant, labourer, born Belbroughton:

ODDFELLOWS ARMS

468, (450), (388), High Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Dawes

Arthur James Price, High Street, West Bromwich

Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1909]

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

Premier Midland Ales (acquired in January 1991)

United Breweries of India

Punch Taverns [2001], [2008]

LICENSEES

Henry Dawes [1868] - **1893**;

Samuel Jaquiss (**1893 - 1896**);

Joseph Hartley (**1896**);

William Bayley (**1896 - 1897**);

Arthur Loseby Bonas (**1897 - 1922**);

Mrs. Annie Eliza Bonas (**1922 - 1923**);

Herbert George Essex (**1923 - 1924**);

Joseph Cooper (**1924 - 1925**);

Abraham Thomas Turley (**1925 - 1952**);

Mrs. Charlotte Turley (**1952 - 1960**);

John Anthony 'Tony' Holloway (**1960 - []**)

Victor John 'Vic' Baldwyn (**1963 - 1967**)

Charles William Whitehouse [1968]

Kevin Adey-Nutt [1990]

Sean Lester []

Lee Merritt [1992]

Dave Roundtree [1993]

Paul Houghton [1993]



Licensee Victor Baldwyn (wife Mary)

NOTES

388, High Street [1881], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900]

450, High Street [1901], [1904], [1911], [1912], [1916], [1921]

468, High Street [1992], [1995], [2002]

It had a beerhouse license.



2006

Henry Dawes, beer retailer, High Street. [1868], [1870]

1881 Census

388, High Street

- [1] Henry Dawes (53), licensed victualler and soda water manufacturer (6 men 2 boys), born Tettenhall;
- [2] Ann Dawes (51), wife, born Brewood;
- [3] Edward Dawes (19), son, assistant licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Henry Dawes (17), son, articled pupil to veterinary surgeon, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Arthur Dawes (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Martha Brooks (19), general servant, born Kingswinford;
- [7] Jane Barker (20), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

388, High Street – ODDFELLOWS ARMS

- [1] Henry Dawes (63), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Ann Dawes (61), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Arthur Dawes (25), son, grocer's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Emmie Fowler (22), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Sarah J. Hayes (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 30/4/1892

"West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers' Association. A special meeting of the members of this association which embraces Smethwick, Harborne, West Bromwich and Tipton, was held on Wednesday at the ODDFELLOWS ARMS INN, Carters Green, West Bromwich. Mr. T. Rusby presided....."

West Bromwich Weekly News 17/2/1900

"William Haines (23), a carter, of Carters Green, was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and also with assaulting PC Cartwright.

Mr. J. S. Sharpe appeared to prosecute.

According to the evidence the prisoner visited the ODDFELLOWS ARMS INN, Carters Green, West Bromwich on Saturday night, in an intoxicated condition. The landlord (*Arthur Bonas*) refused to supply him with anything, and ordered him to leave the premises. Haines then became very excited, and PC Cartwright was summoned. The officer induced him to go away, but he again returned, and when Cartwright went to him a second time the prisoner struck him a blow in the eye and kicked him about the legs.

Haines, who pleaded drunkenness as an excuse, was fined 5s and costs in each case, the total being 19s, or one month imprisonment in default."

1901 Census

450, High Street

- [1] Arthur L. Bonas (34), licensed victualler, born Walsall;
- [2] Annie E. Bonas (33), wife, born Walsall;
- [3] Jane James (65), visitor, retired, living on own means, born Walsall;
- [4] Dorothy Bonas (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] William Bonas (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Frank Bonas (5 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Eden Clarke (32), housemaid, born Coseley;
- [8] Fanny New (15), nurse, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 26/4/1902

"A meeting of the West Bromwich and District Licensed Trades' Association was held on Wednesday afternoon, at the ODD FELLOWS ARMS HOTEL, Carters Green, West Bromwich. Mr. J. S. Round (president) in the chair. There were also present Councillor Price, Councillor Pointon (secretary), Messrs. J. Fullwood [TURKS HEAD], A. L. Bonas, W. Higgins, T. Harris [FOX AND GOOSE], D. Bagnall [WHITE LION], T. Edwards [BLACK BOY], A. Lord [OLD CROWN], G. West [TALBOT], M. E. Toddington, J. Woolley, J. Rollason [GRAPES], T. Capsey [INKERMAN COTTAGE] &c.

The Chairman reported that the circular concerning the Sunday evening competitions at public houses had been duly issued since the last meeting. It was drawn up by the secretary, and though it evoked some criticism, he was not inclined to draw back from the position he had taken up on the subject. Some hard things had been said about those who were responsible for the circular, but he could only regret that those critics did not see the matter in the same way as the committee. The circular had not met with the approval of the people to whom he referred, because they did not like to be interfered with in the discharge of what they considered their business.....”

Arthur L. Bonas was a committee member of West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers' Association. [1902], [1918]

Wednesbury Leader 31/8/1906

“On Monday evening Mr. James Clark (Coroner) held an inquest at the ODDFELLOWS ARMS, Carters Green, concerning the death of Jane James (70), formerly residing at the above house, who died from the effects of a fall. *Arthur Bonas*, proprietor of the ODDFELLOWS ARMS, said deceased resided with him at his house. About 5pm on the 2nd inst deceased was in the kitchen getting the tea ready. Shortly afterwards witness went to the kitchen, and found the deceased on the floor. He obtained assistance and carried her upstairs, when she said, ‘I have fell down and hurt myself.’ Drs. Browne and Plummer were sent for, and upon examination found that deceased had fractured her hip. On the 25th inst deceased became worse and expired. Death was due to the fracture followed by exhaustion.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”

1911 Census

450, High Street – ODDFELLOWS ARMS

- [1] *Arthur L. Bonas* (44), licensed victualler, born Walsall;
- [2] *Annie E. Bonas* (43), wife, married 18 years, born Walsall;
- [3] *William Bonas* (13), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Dorothy Bonas* (15), daughter, domestic duties, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frank Bonas* (10), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Tom Penniston* (58), barman, born Saxby;
- [7] *Lottie Kirby* (21), domestic servant, born Birmingham:

Arthur Loseby Bonas was married to *Annie Eliza*.
He died in 1922.

Abraham Thomas Turley was married to *Charlotte*.
He died in 1952.
See also ROYAL OAK, Park Street, Oldbury.

John Anthony Holloway – see also ROUND OF BEEF, Cradley Heath, and NEW TALBOT, Smethwick.

Vic Baldwyn was married to *May*.
See also HEN AND CHICKENS.

Tony Holloway was married to *Jacqueline*.
See also FAIRFIELD (Halesowen), ROUND OF BEEF (Cradley Heath), and NEW TALBOT (Smethwick).

It closed in May 2009.
It became part of the next door firm of Decoron Wallpapers.

OLD BELL

108, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Brinton, High Street, West Bromwich
Peter Walker and Son (Warrington and Burton on Trent) Ltd.
George Arnold and Co. Ltd. [1904]
Arnold and Bates Ltd.
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929]

LICENSEES

John Brinton [1801]
William Moore [1818] – [1830]
John Brinton [1834] – [1835]
Joseph Glover [1841] – [1851]
Mrs. Ann Glover [1858] – [1861]
John Brinton* [1864] – [1872]
William Chamberlain [1872]
John Brinton* [1873]
Joseph Bird [1881]
Thomas White [1888] – [1889]
Ann Jemima White [] – **1889**;
John Whitehead (**1889 – 1890**);
Tom Wright Brayshay (**1890 – 1891**);
Mrs. Clara Ellen Brayshay (**1891 – 1892**);
William Henry Mills (**1892 – 1893**);
John Compton (**1893 – 1895**);
George Steane (**1895 – 1896**);
Phineas John Kendrick (**1896**);
William Henry Chambers (**1896 – 1897**);
William John Piper (**1897**);
Mrs. Louisa Piper (**1897**);
Thomas Nicholls (**1897 – 1898**);
Enoch Archer (**1898 – 1899**);
Richard Thomas Mullett (**1899 – 1901**);
Harry Haynes (**1901 – 1904**);
William Frederick Field (**1904 – 1910**);
Charles Beasley (**1910 – 1912**);
John Morris (**1912 – 1914**);
George Callaghan (**1914 – 1915**);
William Henry Clark (**1915 – 1916**);
Harry Ashmore (**1916 – 1920**);
Daniel Bagnall (**1920 – 1927**);
Walter Frederick Hilton (**1927 – 1934**);
Arthur Fitzpatrick (**1934 – 1938**);
Samuel Cooper (**1938 – 1946**);
James William Stevens (**1946 – 1948**);
Albert Edward Woodward (**1948 – 1953**);
Job Joynes (**1953 – 1958**);
Eric Higginson (**1958 – []**)

NOTES

BELL [1818], [1851], [1864], [1865], [1872], [1881]

OLD BELL [1860], [1868], [1871]

John Brinton was also a slaughterer and retail butcher. [1801]

* possibly the same person

1841 Census

Spon Lane

[1] *Joseph Glover* (30), publican, born Staffordshire;

[2] *Ann Glover* (30);

[3] *Mary Glover* (8 months), born Staffordshire;

[4] *Eliza Brinton* (8), born Staffordshire;

[5] *John Brinton* (4), born Staffordshire;

[6] *Frances Lucas* (15);

[7] *John Smart* (30), ms;

[8] *Ann Stewart* (25), fs, born Scotland:

1851 Census

Spon Lane – BELL INN

[1] *Joseph Glover* (43), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Ann Glover* (48), wife, landlady, born Henley in Harding [Arden?], Warwickshire;

[3] *Elizabeth Brinton* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *John Brinton* (14), son, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Frances Lucas* (34), niece, barmaid, born Henley in Harding [Arden?];

[6] *Charles Williams* (28), general servant, born Dudley Port:

John Brinton was also a butcher. [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1872], [1873]

1871 Census

Spon Lane – OLD BELL HOTEL

[1] *John Brinton* (34), butcher and publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Ellen Brinton* (33), wife, born Tipton;

[3] *Annie Brinton* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Eliza Brinton* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Mary Catherine Brinton* (3), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[6] *John Robinson* (38), manservant, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Clara Spittle* (18), visitor, born Tipton;

[8] *Louisa Reeves* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Black Country Bugle 5/11/1998

'The Old Inns Of West Bromwich'

".....This inn, one of the oldest in West Bromwich, was closed in the 1970's, a sad loss to the town he [*John Brinton*] was famous as a home brewer. A window of the inn bore until recently the legend 'Arnold's Noted Pale Ales'....."

1881 Census

108, Spon Lane – OLD BELL INN

- [1] *Joseph Bird* (45), publican, born Netherton;
- [2] *Mary Bird* (42), wife, born Stourport;
- [3] *James Bird* (19), son, time keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Margaret Bird* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Jane Bird* (14), daughter, dress maker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Joseph Bird* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Thomas Bird* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Esther Bird* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *John Thomas Bird* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/7/1881

“On Monday, an inquest was held before Mr. E. Hooper at the BELL INN, Spon Lane, on the body of John Powell (28), tinner, 154 Spon Lane.

Jane Powell, wife of the deceased, said on Friday her husband got up as usual to go to work, and soon after he left the room she heard a stumble. She called ‘Jack’, and he answered, ‘Oh, come to me.’

She immediately went down and found him lying at the bottom of the stairs. He could not speak; he was in a cold sweat, his hands were closed, and his lips were discoloured. There were a few spots of blood near where his head lay. She fetched Dr. Sutcliffe, who came at once. Soon afterwards he died.

Elizabeth Orme said she saw deceased alive on Friday morning at half past six. He was coming down the garden, walking fast, stooping, and holding his belly. He passed her, but did not make any remark. About ten minutes afterwards his wife said she thought he was dying. The jury returned a verdict of Death from Natural Causes.”

Tom Wright Brayshay was married to *Clara Ellen*.

He died in 1891.

1891 Census

108, Spon Lane

- [1] *Clara E. Brayshay* (31), widow, licensed victualler, born Leeds;
- [2] *Mary Brayshay* (7), daughter, born Leeds;
- [3] *William W. Brayshay* (5), son, born Leeds;
- [4] *Emily Brayshay* (3), daughter, born Leeds;
- [5] *Elizabeth Horton* (17), servant, born Stourbridge;
- [6] *Arthur Hawker* (18), visitor, potman, born Liverpool:

William Henry Chambers – check GOLDEN LION.

William John Piper was married to *Louisa*.

He died in 1897.

Harry Haynes = *Hary Haines*

Smethwick Weekly News 16/2/1901

“On the application of Mr. C. H. Darby, the license of the OLD BELL INN, Spon Lane, West Bromwich, was transferred to *Harry Haines*, of West Bromwich.”

1901 Census

108, Spon Lane

- [1] *Harry Haynes* (36), publican and painter, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ada Haynes* (41), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *Mabel Davis* (20), stepdaughter, born Great Bridge;
- [4] *Alfred Davis* (16), stepson, fitter at iron foundry, born Great Bridge;
- [5] *Lillian Davis* (14), stepdaughter, born Great Bridge;
- [6] *Arthur Davis* (12), stepson, born Great Bridge:

William Henry Field – see also GOLDEN CUP.

1911 Census

108, Spon Lane – OLD BELL INN

[1] *Charles Beasley* (39), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Ann Beasley* (38), wife, married 9 years, born Whitwick, Leicestershire;

[3] *William Beasley* (15), son, apprentice to spring making, born Whitwick, Leicestershire:

George Callaghan – check also ROEBUCK.

Walter Frederick Hilton – check also VICTORIA.

Arthur Fitzpatrick – check also TWELVE BELLS and PRINCE ALBERT.

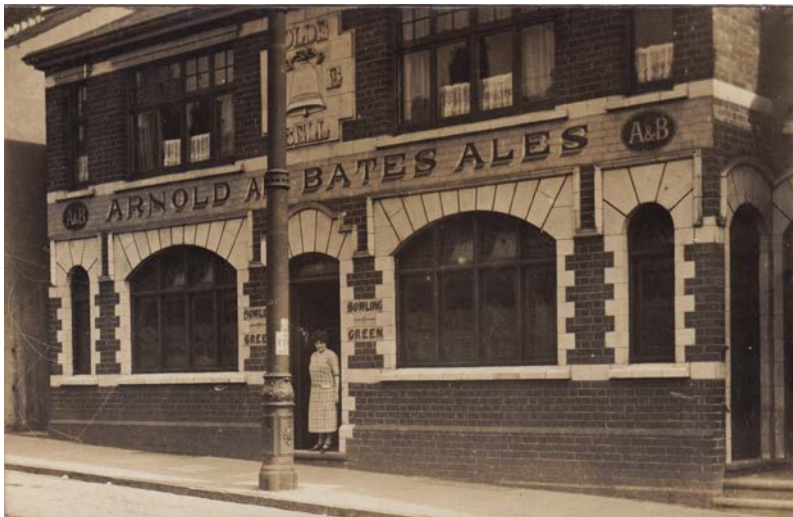
Albert Edward Woodward was the son of *Albert*.

He married to *Margaret* in 1943.

He died aged 89.

See also HALFWAY HOUSE and STONE CROSS.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1967]



Old Postcard

OLD BUSH

13, Lloyd Street, Mares Green, (Coopers Hill), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Cotterill, 11, Seagar Street, West Bromwich
Arthur James Price, Lewisham Brewery, West Bromwich
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1909]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

Isaac Povey [1818] – [1835]
Joseph Povey [1841] – [1881]
John Cox [1888] – **1892**;
William Jones (**1892 – 1906**);
Samuel Ernest Reeves (**1906 – 1913**);
Albert Henry Bynion (**1913 – 1922**);

NOTES

HOLLY BUSH [1818], [1830], [1868], [1870], [1872]
OLD BUSH [1834], [1835], [1841], [1845], [1850], [1860], [1861], [1870], [1873], [1881],
[1888], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912], [1916], [1921]
BUSH [1881]

1841 Census

Lloyd Street

- [1] *Joseph Povey* (25), maltmill maker, born Staffordshire;
- [2] *Hannah Povey* (29), pnd (?), born Staffordshire;
- [3] *Caroline Povey* (20), ind (?), born Staffordshire;
- [4] *Philnochny* (?) *Babstock* (60), pauper, born Staffordshire:

Joseph Povey was also a malt and steel mill maker. [1845], [1849]

1861 Census

Lloyd Street – OLD BUSH

- [1] *Joseph Povey* (44), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Emma Povey* (47), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Povey* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

Lloyd Street – OLD BUSH

- [1] *Joseph Povey* (54), widower, innkeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Joseph Povey* (21), son, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 26/3/1881

“Yesterday, an inquest was held before Mr. Hooper, at the BUSH INN, Lloyd Street, upon the body of John Henry Bebbington, of No.12, Lloyd Street, aged 13 months, who died suddenly on the 23rd inst. It appeared that the deceased had been delicate from birth.

The jury returned a verdict of Natural Causes.”

1881 Census

13, Lloyd Street – OLD BUSH INN

- [1] *Joseph Povey* (64), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Marian Povey* (38), wife, born Bridstone, Herefordshire;
- [3] *William Povey* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

13, Lloyd Street – OLD BUSH INN

- [1] *John Cox* (45), licensed victualler, born Willenhall;
- [2] *Mary Cox* (47), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Elizabeth Cox* (16), daughter, born Tipton;
- [4] *Florence Cox* (11), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [5] *Joseph Cox* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Dinah Broome* (64), widow, general servant, born Tipton:

1911 Census

13, Lloyd Street- The OLD BUSH

- [1] *Samuel Ernest Reeves* (36), widower, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Hilda Helena Reeves* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Samuel Ernest Reeves – see also LEWISHAM ARMS.

The license was removed to premises situated in Lloyd Street, West Bromwich, and known as the CROWN AND CUSHION beerhouse.

These premises were closed on 8th June 1922.

OLD CROWN

30, George Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Hindes, Oldbury
John Hindes, Oldbury
Richard Harper, Old Park Brewery, Bilston
Mrs. Hartland, Crosswells Road, Langley, Oldbury
John Jordan and Co. [1912]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1921]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Eliza Mason [1868] – [1870]
Emmaus Jackson [] – **1888**;
Samuel Thomas Staines (**1888 – 1889**);
Thomas Twist (**1889 – 1895**);
Richard Alvan Prince (**1895 – 1897**);
David Turley (**1897 – 1898**);
Arthur Reynolds (**1898 – 1906**);
Samuel Edward Williams (**1906 – 1914**);
John William Willder (**1914 – 1916**);
John Cornard (**1916 – 1924**);
Albert Homer (**1924 – 1927**);
Mary Adelaide (Homer) Wilkins (**1927 – 1932**):

NOTES

CROWN [1868], [1870]
OLD CROWN [1888], [1889]

It had a beerhouse license.

1891 Census

30, George Street

- [1] *Thomas Twist* (47), forge manager and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Theresa Twist* (37), wife, born Handsworth;
- [3] *Herbert Twist* (14), son, glass cutter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Nellie Twist* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Maud Twist* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Annie Stevens* (20), servant, born West Bromwich:

David Turley was fined 10s and costs, on 6th June 1898, for supplying intoxicating liquor to a drunken person.

1901 Census

30, George Street

[1] *Arthur Reynolds* (33), beerhouse manager, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Mary A. Reynolds* (29), wife, born Bradley;

[3] *Eva Reynolds* (6), daughter, born Bradley;

[4] *Ida M. Reynolds* (5), daughter, born Bradley:

Arthur Reynolds, beer retailer, 30, George Street. [1904]

1911 Census

30, George Street

[1] *Samuel Edward Williams* (41), electro plater and beerhouse keeper, born Penn;

[2] *Mary Williams* (37), wife, married 15 years, assistant beerhouse, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Edward Williams* (13), son, butcher's boy, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Samuel John Williams* (11), son, school, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Alvan Williams* (9), son, school, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Violet Fanny Williams* (7), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Martha Williams* (5), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;

[8] *Mary Hilda Williams* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1932.

The license renewal was refused on 15th June 1932.

The license was extinguished on 31st December 1932.

OLD CROWN

62, (30), (12), Harvills Hawthorn, (Hill Top), (Golds Green), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Elizabeth Butler
Enoch Dabbs
Henry Ford Isacke and Allan Howard Clarke, trading as J. A. and A. Thompson Ltd., Oldbury
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

R Butler [1818]
Richard Pugh [1828] – [1834]
Richard Butler [1849] – [1873]
Thomas Griffiths [1881] – **1895**;
Sarah Griffiths (**1895 – 1896**);
Enoch Dabbs (**1896 – 1914**);
Harry Thomas (**1914 – [1921]**)
Arthur Edwin Cole (**1933 – 1938**)
Harry Conway [] last licensee

NOTES

Arvill's Hawthorn [1828]
Harwells Hawthorn
Harvills Hawthorn [1860], [1868]
Hill Top [1861]
12, Harvills Hawthorn [1861]
30, Harvills Hawthorn [1881], [1889], [1891], [1895], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908]
62, Harvills Hawthorn [1912]

CROWN [1828], [1830], [1834]
ROSE AND CROWN [1861]

1851 Census

Harvills Hawthorn
[1] Richard Butler (32), innkeeper, born Wednesbury;
[2] Elizabeth Butler (31), wife, born Wednesbury;
[3] Richard Butler (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[4] Samuel Butler (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[5] George Butler (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[6] Joseph Butler (2), son, born West Bromwich;
[7] John Butler (3 months), son, born West Bromwich:

1861 Census

12, Harvills Hawthorn – ROSE AND CROWN INN

- [1] *Richard Butler* (42), victualler, born Darlaston;
- [2] *Elizabeth Butler* (41), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Richard Butler* (19), son, carpenter's apprentice, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Butler* (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Howard Butler* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Howard Butler* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Mary Hammond* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

Harvills Hawthorn

- [1] *Richard Butler* (52), publican, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Elizabeth Butler* (51), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *John Butler* (15), son, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

30, Harvills Hawthorn – OLD CROWN INN

- [1] *Thomas Griffiths* (39), widower, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Griffiths* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Harry Griffiths* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Griffiths* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Fred Griffiths* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Frank Griffiths* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Paul Griffiths* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Amelia Hitchen* (21), house keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Agnes Raybould* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 12/7/1890

Court 'William Tell', Ancient Order of Foresters, OLD CROWN INN, Harvills Hawthorn, Hill Top.

1891 Census

30, Harvills Hawthorn

- [1] *Thomas Griffiths* (50), widower, publican, born Greets Green;
- [2] *Harry Griffiths* (19), son, born Wigmore, West Bromwich;
- [3] *Thomas Griffiths* (17), son, born Wigmore, West Bromwich;
- [4] *Annie Purslow* (23), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 20/7/1895- Advert

"..... by Messrs. T. Harford and Son, to Brewers, Maltsters, Licensed Victuallers

Lot 3. All that Old Established and Valuable Freehold, Full Licensed House, known as the OLD CROWN INN, situate and numbered, 30, Harvills Hawthorn, Hill Top, aforesaid, and late in the occupation of the said *Thomas Griffiths*, deceased.

The said House contains Kitchen, Brewhouse, Bar, Tap Room, Club Room, and Malt Room, three Bed Rooms, Cellars, Coalhouse, Piggeries, and ususal Outbuildings with a large Yard and Stabling Accommodation for 5 horses, together with Cart Entrance from side road. Together with all those Three Freehold Messuages or Dwelling Houses, £8 with a Retail Shop and Premises thereto situate and adjoining the OLD CROWN INN, and numbered 34, 36, and 38, Harvills Hawthorn....."

Wednesbury Herald 17/8/1895 - Advert

“By Messrs. T. Harford and Son. / On Monday Next, August 19th, 1895. / To Pigeon fanciers and Others.

An Important Sale of of the well-known VALUABLE LOFT OF RACING PIGEONS, belonging to the estate of the late Mr. Thomas Griffiths deceased, which will be sold by public auction, by Messrs. Thomas Harford and Son, by order of the trustees, at the OLD CROWN INN, Harvills Hawthorn, Hill Top, West Bromwich, on the above date.

These Pigeons are of the best strain, and quick flying birds, being winners of upwards of 300 prizes, including many 1st Prizes, Specials, &c., &c.

Sale to Commence At Two o'clock.

Catalogue may be obtained on application at the OLD CROWN INN; THE ROYAL EXCHANGE, Harvills Hawthorn; V. W. Topham, Esq., Solicitor, Paradise Street; or to the Auctioneers, Junction Chambers, all of West Bromwich.”

1901 Census

Harvills Hawthorn - Tavern – OLD CROWN INN

[1] *Enoch Dabbs* (32), licensed victualler, born Hill Top, West Bromwich;

[2] *Sarah Ann Dabbs* (32), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Ann E. Dabbs* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Sarah A. Hartill* (16), general servant, born St. Helens, Lancashire:

Closed

Demolished

The new SPRING COTTAGE was built on the site in 1961.

LOT 3.

All that Old Established and Valuable Freehold FULL-LICENSED PUBLIC House, known as the “OLD CROWN INN,” situate and numbered 30, Harvill's Hawthorn, Hill Top, aforesaid, and late in the occupation of the said Thomas Griffiths, deceased. The said House contains Kitchen, Brewhouse, Bar, Tap Room, Club Room and Malt Room, Three Bed Rooms, Cellars, Coalhouse, Piggeries, and usual Out-buildings, with a large Yard and Stabling Accommodation for 5 horses, together with Cart Entrance from side road. Together with all those Three FREEHOLD MESSUAGES or DWELLING-HOUSES with a RETAIL SHOP and PREMISES thereto situate and adjoining the “Old Crown Inn,” and numbered 32, 34, 26, and 38, Harvill's Hawthorn, Hill Top, aforesaid, in the occupation of Mr. Bullock and others, and the whole estimated to produce an annual rental of £100.

Advert 1895

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Advert 1895

OLD CROWN

56, (32), Sandwell Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Ruskin, Streethouse, West Bromwich
Richard Ruskin, Poplar Farm, Beoley, near Redditch
Hamilton Day and Co. Sparkbrook Brewery, Birmingham [1900]
King and Barton, West End Brewery, Birmingham [1903]
Rushton's Brewery Ltd. [1912]
Ansell's Ltd. [1923], [1986]
Pubmaster (acquired in August 1994)
Chania Patel **(1994 - 2006)**



Beermat

LICENSEES

William Parsons [1861] - **1889**);
Mrs. Winifred Parsons **(1889 - 1899)**;
William Caleb Parkes **(1899 - 1900)**;
Albert Joseph Lord **(1900 - 1914)**;
John James Paddock Jnr. **(1914 - 1934)**;
Thomas William Slim **(1934 - 1941)**;
Mrs. Emma Slim **(1941 - 1946)**;
Thomas William Slim **(1946 - 1959)**;
Ernest Blackall **(1959 - 1961)**;
Cecil Henry Hayes **(1961)**;
Joan Cooper **(1961 - 1962)**;
John Phillips **(1962 - 1963)**;
Eric Albert Lowe **(1963 - 1966)**;
Bernard Charles Carney **(1966 - 1967)**;
Albert Frederick Hutton Clewer **(1967)**;
Albert Ashfield **(1967 - 1969)**;
Joseph Thomas Connor **(1969 - 1971)**;
Gwendolyn Green **(1971 - 1977)**;
Catherine Melough **(1977 - 1985)**;
Susan Ann Howitt **(1985)**;
David Alan Board **(1985 - 1986)**;
Anthony MacMahon **(1986 - 1987)**;
Corinne Mary Horton **(1987 - 1990)**;
Diane Rogers **(1990 - 1991)**;
Andrew Leslie Jones **(1991 - 1992)**;
Barbara Jane Bottomer **(1992 - 1994)**;
Chania 'Pat' Parbhubhai Patel **(1994 - 2006)**
Maurice McLeod **(2012 - [])**



c. 1986



2014

NOTES

32, Sandwell Road [1881], [1891], [1892], [1900]
56, Sandwell Road [1914]

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census

Sandwell Road

- [1] *William Parsons* (39), publican, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Winifred Parsons* (36), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Thomas Parsons* (15), son, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *Sarah Parsons* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Parsons* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Parsons, beer retailer, Sandwell Road. [1864], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Sandwell Road – OLD CROWN

- [1] *William Parsons* (49), beerhouse keeper, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Winifred Parsons* (48), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Eliza Parsons* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Parsons* (6), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Geffenerf(?)* (70), mother in law, born New Hull, Derbyshire;
- [6] *William Atkins* (52), lodger, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

32, Sandwell Road – OLD CROWN

- [1] *William Parsons* (60), publican, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Winifred Parsons* (56), wife, born Walsall;
- [3] *William Parsons* (15), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joseph Taylor* (49), boarder, saddler, born Wickhampton, Worcestershire:

William Parsons, beer retailer, 56, Sandwell Road. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

32, Sandwell Road – OLD CROWN INN

- [1] *Winifred Parsons* (69), widow, beerseller, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Thomas Parsons* (46), son, plumber, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Thomas Parsons* (70), widower, brother in law, brewer, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *William Parkes* (26), grandson, cycle maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ada Perry* (26), visitor, case maker, born Redditch;
- [6] *Emily Taylor* (16), general servant, born Wednesbury:

Mrs. Winifred Parsons, beer retailer, 56, Sandwell Road. [1892], [1896]

William Parkes, beer retailer, 56, Sandwell Road. [1900]

Albert Lord, beer retailer, 56, Sandwell Road. [1904], [1908], [1912]

Court 'Crown of the Forest', Ancient Order of Foresters, met here. [1903]

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

'*Pat*' *Patel* was married to '*Julie*' *Manjula*.

He suffered a stroke in 2005.

He died in December 2012.

[2013]

OLD CROWN

157, (117), Walsall Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Evans, Carters Green, West Bromwich
Joseph Thompson, West Bromwich
Thomas Henry Bates, Sponwell Brewery, West Bromwich
Arnold and Bates Ltd. [1924]
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929]

LICENSEES

Joseph Thompson [] - **1880**);
Simeon Povey (**1880 - 1881**);
Joseph Holberry (**1881 - 1882**);
Joseph Thomas (**1882 - 1885**);
William Bradshaw (**1885 - 1886**);
Joseph Thompson (**1886 - 1896**);
Samuel Nicholls (**1896 - 1898**);
Phineas John Kendrick (**1898 - 1911**);
Thomas Henry Aggar (**1911 - 1913**);
Mrs. Anne Louisa Aggar (**1913 - 1950**);
Alfred Ernest Wall (**1950**);
Thomas Hemming (**1950 - 1951**);
Ernest John Holyhead (**1951**);
Bertie John Rogers Clarke (**1951 - 1956**);
John Thomas Round (**1956 - 1957**);
Harold John Samuel Wall (**1957 - []**)

NOTES

117, Walsall Street [1881], [1891], [1901]
157, Walsall Street

CROWN [1880]

It became known as the OLD CROWN in the late 1880's.

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

117, Walsall Street

- [1] *Simeon Povey* (49), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Susan Povey* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Harry Povey* (19), son, painter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Ann Povey* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Robert Povey* (6), son, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 20/6/1885

“*William Bradshaw* (34), OLD CROWN, Walsall Street, summoned to answer a charge of being drunk on his own licensed premises on the 1st inst.”

- He was given a 10s fine.

1891 Census

117, Walsall Street – The OLD CROWN

- [1] *Joseph Thompson* (51), retail brewer, born Wolverhampton;
- [2] *Elizabeth Thompson* (51), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Edith Thompson* (18), daughter, assists at home, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Thompson* (15), son, boot shop assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Thompson* (14), son, chemist's assistant, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

117, Walsall Street

- [1] *Phineas J. Kendrick* (35), beerhouse keeper, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Sarah Kendrick* (35), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Clarice E. Kendrick* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Charles P. Kendrick* (7), son, born Birmingham;
- [5] *James W. Kendrick* (29), brother, bricklayer's labourer, born Wednesbury:

Smethwick Weekly News 14/9/1901

“*Edward Ward* (43), of Walsall Street, West Bromwich, was fined 13s 6d, including costs or 14 days imprisonment in default, for refusing to quit the licensed premises of the OLD CROWN, Walsall Street, on August 24th, and kept by *John Kendrick*. Mr. *Kendrick* proved the case.”

Phineas John Kendrick, beer retailer, 117, Walsall Street. [1904]

Check also VICTORIA.

Thomas Henry Aggar = *Thomas Henry Agger*

Thomas Henry Agger, beer retailer, 157, Walsall Street. [1912]

He was married to *Anne Louisa*.

He died in 1913.

Bertie John Rogers Clarke – see also QUEENS HEAD, Tipton.

OLD FLOWER POT

Parliament Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Allcock [1868]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license. [1868]

Dudley Herald 10/10/1868

John Allcock was fined 1s and costs for serving during unlawful hours (Sunday) – first offence – in October 1868.

OLD FORGE

90, (78), Great Bridge Street, (90, Old Forge), (Elwell's Field), Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Gittens
Joseph Stott
William Blencowe and Co. Ltd., Cannock

LICENSEES

Henry Gittens [1868] – **1874**);
Joseph Stott (**1874 – 1889**);
Thomas Law (**1889 – []**)
William Birch [] – **1893**);
Noah Stott (**1893**);
Enoch Bunn (**1893 – 1894**);
Joseph Simms (**1894 – 1896**);
George Hadley (**1896 – 1910**):

NOTES

90, Old Forge [1881]
90, Great Bridge Street

FORGE

It had a pre '69 beerhouse license.

Henry Gittens = Henry Gittins

Henry Gittins, beer retailer, Great Bridge Street. [1868]

1871 Census

Great Bridge Street – OLD FORGE

- [1] *Henry Gittins* (38), iron puddler / publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Gittins* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Gittins* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ann Gittins* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Gittins* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Gittins* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Henry Gittins* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Harriet Gittins* (6 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Henry Gittens – see also KINGS ARMS, Great Bridge Street.

1881 Census

90, Old Forge – OLD FORGE INN

- [1] *Joseph Stott* (53), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lydia Stott* (54), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Arthur Stott* (21), son, assistant beerhouse keeper born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Noah Stott* (17), son, assistant beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elijah Stott* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Isaac Boden* (26), son in law, railway guard, born Willenhall;
- [7] *Harriet Boden* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Alice Boden* (3 months), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

George Hadley = *George Handley*

1901 Census

Great Bridge Street

- [1] *George Hadley* (48), beerhouse keeper, and tube fitting maker, born Rowley Regis;
- [2] *Rose Hannah Hadley* (46), wife, born Rowley Regis;
- [3] *Caroline Hadley* (20), daughter, born Rowley Regis;
- [4] *James Hadley* (18), son, tube fitting maker, born Rowley Regis;
- [5] *Harry Hadley* (16), son, tube fitting maker, born Netherton;
- [6] *Harriet Hadley* (14), daughter, born Netherton;
- [7] *Lillie Hadley* (7), daughter, born Rowley Regis:

George Handley, beer retailer, 90 Great Bridge Street. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 11/3/1910

“.....The objection to the OLD FORGE, Great Bridge, was first taken. The licensee was *George Hadley*. Inspector Mycock and Superintendent Whitehurst gave evidence of the faulty construction of the house and the excessive number of houses in the district. Being a pre-'69 license, Mr. Rockstop, who appeared for the owners (Messrs. Blencoe, Cannock), maintained that on structural grounds the objection against the house must be an entirely subsidiary one. His clients were perfectly willing to make the house into thorough good order; and there had been no evidence, he contended, to show that that house should be selected on account of redundancy.

The magistrates retired for one or two minutes, and on returning the Chairman said the magistrates had all seen the house, and taking everything into consideration, had decided to refer the house to the Compensation Authority.”

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1910.

The license renewal was refused on 21st June 1910.

The license was extinguished on 30th September 1910.

OLD HOP POLE

474, (456), (394), High Street / Guns Lane, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Edward Hipkins, Jervoise Street, West Bromwich
Henry Dawes, High Street, West Bromwich
Showells Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp Ltd. [1935]
Ind Coope Ltd. [1959]
Ansells Ltd. [1960]
Holt, Plant and Deakin
Greyfriars Taverns [2001]

LICENSEES

George Parry [1867] – [1870]
Francis Garbett [1870] – **1883**;
Alfred Kendrick (**1883 – 1886**);
Edward Phillips (**1886 – 1887**);
Ann Phillips (**1887 – 1888**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Phillips (**1888 – 1889**);
Edward Phillips [1889] ?
Albert John Tipping (**1889 – 1890**);
Thomas Sharp (**1890 – 1891**);
Thomas Pearson (**1891 – 1897**);
Samuel Henry Dunn Dudley (**1897 – 1898**);
Benjamin Dunn (**1898 – 1902**);
Albert Edward Stanley (**1902 – 1903**);
Harry Gascoigne (**1903**);
Harry Bruton (**1903 – 1905**);
Arthur James Cartwright (**1905 – 1911**);
John Lowe (**1911 – 1912**);
Samuel Timmins (**1912 – 1916**);
Florence Timmins (**1916 – 1919**);
Samuel Timmins (**1919 – 1922**);
Sidney Thomas Biffin (**1922 – 1923**);
Thomas Edward Vale (**1923**);
Charles William Walton (**1923 – 1927**);
George Thomas Cartwright (**1927 – 1932**);
Frederick Robert Pullen (**1932 – 1934**);
Tom Lane (**1934 – 1953**);
Lawrence Simmonds (**1953 – 1955**);
John William Smith (**1955**);
Wilfred Simson (**1955 – 1972**)
Brian Price [1989]
Brian Martin [] – **1990**
Alan Clark [1992] – [1993]
David John Colley [1993]
Maxine Grainger [1995] – [2001] manager
David Paul Forrest [1998] ?



Advert 1989



NOTES

394, High Street [1881], [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900]
456, High Street [1904], [1908], [1912], [1916], [1921]
474, High Street [1993], [1996], [2001]

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

394, High Street

[1] *Francis Garbett* (64), beerhouse keeper, born Cley Hills, Shropshire;

[2] *Ann Garbett* (64), wife, born Cherberry, Shropshire;

[3] *Elizabeth Holey* (16), general servant, born Oldbury:

A Lodge of Free Gardeners met here in 1885.

Smethwick Telephone 3/10/1885

“Inquest held at the OLD HOP POLE, Lower High Street, relating to the death of *Alfred Kendrick*, landlord of the house, who died in a distressingly sudden manner on Sunday last [27/9]. Mrs. Kendrick deposed that her husband was 56 years of age and carried on the business of lime merchant in addition to that of retail brewer. He had of late complained of his head, and had formerly been subject to fits. On Sunday morning he went out into the yard The deceased was well-known and highly respected in the town. He carried on business as retail brewer for nearly 30 years.”

[He was found, dead, in one of the outhouses. The fits were not the cause of death.]

He was Vice Chairman of West Bromwich and District Retail Brewers Association.

He was Past High Sub-Chief Ranger of the Ancient Order of Foresters.

He was Treasurer of Caledonian Corks.

He was the father of *William Kendrick*, who was responsible for the restoration of the Oak House.

See also ROYAL OAK, Whitehall Rd.

Edward Phillips, beer seller, 192, High Street. [1889]

1891 Census

High Street – OLD HOP POLE

[1] *Thomas Pearson* (24), unmarried, public house manager, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Peter Pearson* (26), brother, fitter in engineers works, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Mary Pearson* (64), mother, born Sedgley;

[4] *Comfort Dutton* (39), sister, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Mary E. Dutton* (8), niece, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Peter Dutton* (6), nephew, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[7] *John Dutton* (5), nephew, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[8] *Thomas Churmes* (60), servant, general labourer, born Coseley:

Thomas Pearson was fined 5s and costs, on 26th January 1895, for permitting gaming.

Albert Edward Stanley was fined £6 and £5 5s 2d costs, on 22nd December 1902, for three cases of permitting betting.

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

Wednesbury Leader 7/12/1906

“NUP Free Gardeners. The tenth annual dinner of the Victoria Lodge of Past Officers of the above Order took place on Wednesday night at the OLD HOP POLE, High Street.

Bro. Thomas S. Wilkes (President), occupied the chair and Bro. Henry Jones (Vice President) the vice chair.

The dinner was provided in a most excellent manner by Bro. Joseph Adams, to which full justice was done by the forty members present.....”

Frederick Robert Pullen – check also FLOWER POT.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

A full license was granted on 11th March 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

It opened as a Holt, Plant and Deakin pub in 1986.

Brian Price was born in Great Bridge.

He was married to Linda.

[2014]



2003



2014



2008

OLD HOUSE AT HOME

Bilport Lane, Old Fields, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Strange-Hatton, Wednesbury
South Staffordshire Brewery Co. Ltd.
The Bilston and District Provident Society

LICENSEES

Elizabeth Hitchens [] - **1879**);
Thomas Rogers (**1879 - 1883**);
Joshua Griffiths Jnr. (**1883 - 1888**);
Joseph Skidmore (**1888 - 1889**);
Elizabeth Griffiths (**1889**);
Thomas Layland (**1889 - 1894**);
William Lunn (**1894 - 1901**);
James Phillips (**1901 - 1905**);
John Croft (**1905 - 1908**);
William Williams (**1908 - 1910**);
Mary Ann Liddiard (**1910 - 1911**);
Edward Inston (**1911 - 1921**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

OLD HOUSE AT HOME

- [1] *Thomas Rogers* (54), stock taker in iron works and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Elizabeth Rogers (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Emily Anderson (22), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

Bilport Lane – OLD HOUSE AT HOME

- [1] *Thomas Layland* (50), fitter, born Birmingham;
- [2] Margaret Layland (34), wife, born Perth (?);
- [3] Maria M. Layland (15), daughter, born Fort Nelson, Hampshire;
- [4] Muriel Layland (9), daughter, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [5] Herbert S. Layland (7), son, scholar, born Handsworth;
- [6] Annie K. Layland (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] John D. Layland (2 months), son, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

Old Fields – OLD HOUSE AT HOME INN

- [1] *William Lunn* (59), publican, born Bentley;
- [2] Sarah Lunn (59), wife, born Wednesbury:

The license was surrendered on 25th March 1921 in consideration of the sanction of the Justices to the entire rebuilding of a beerhouse known as the NEW TALBOT, Black Lake.

OLD MILL POOL

Rydding Lane, (Ryddins Road), Hill Top, (Hateley Heath), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Patent Shaft and Axletree Co., Wednesbury

LICENSEES

James Arnold [1871] – **1875**;
Mrs. Maria Arnold (**1875 – 1879**):

NOTES

Hateley Heath [1871]
Hill Top [1876]

OLD MILL POOL [1871]

James Arnold was born c. 1813.
He was married to *Maria*.
He died in 1875.

Maria Arnold was fined 10s for permitting drunkenness during the year ending 30/8/1876.

The license was abandoned in 1879.

OLD POST OFFICE

325, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

It was originally a Post Office which closed in 1994.

It reopened after a £1M refurbishment as a fun pub.

In 2004, it became the first pub in Sandwell to be given an enforced 24 hour closure, after a police officer was injured by a drunken brawl.

[2000]

[2002]

It closed in 2005.

It was converted into offices. [2006]

It failed to reach its £1.2M reserve at auction in February 2007.



Ex Pub 2006

OLDE ROSE AND CROWN, YE

56, Cape Street, (56, Grout Street), (Ryders Green), (Grout Village), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Price, Hanley, Staffordshire
William Bowen Ltd. [1899]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1944]

LICENSEES

Sam Lavender [mid 19th century]
John Butler [1851]
James Welch [1860] – [1861]
John James Butler [1864] – [1865]
Joshua Bailey [1872] – [1881]
Frederick Bangham [1888] – [1889]
Henry George Day [1889] – **1891**);
James Henry Guy (**1891**);
Benjamin Richard Slater (**1891 – 1895**);
Mrs. Catherine Slater (**1895 – 1900**);
George Meers (**1900**);
Thomas Yates (**1900 – 1901**);
Abraham Matthews (**1901 – 1902**);
George Meers (**1902 – 1903**);
Mrs. Rebecca Meers (**1903**);
Thomas Worthington (**1903 – 1905**);
Henry York (**1905 – 1906**);
Thomas Fox (**1906 – 1911**);
Mrs. Mary Jane Fox (**1911 – 1915**);
William Dunn (**1915 – 1924**);
William Owen Gamble (**1924 – 1939**);
Thomas Arnold (**1939 – 1953**);
John Hadley (**1953 – 1979**);
Keith Moorcroft (**1979 – []**)
David Jones [1992] – [2001]
Claire Janine Turner [2007]

NOTES

Grout Street [1861], [1864]
56, Grout Street [1888]
56, Cape Street [1881], [1892], [1896], [1904], [1912]

ROSE AND CROWN [1860], [1880], [1889], [1904], [1953]
YE OLDE ROSE AND CROWN [1996]

1851 Census

Grout Village

- [1] *John Butler* (55), widower, innkeeper, born Tipton;
- [2] *Mary Butler* (18), daughter, born Tipton;
- [3] *William Butler* (22), son, moulder, born Tipton;
- [4] *Thomas Butler* (17), son, miner, born Tipton;
- [5] *John Butler* (13), son, scholar, born Tipton;
- [6] *Mary Ann Waife* (28), servant, born Shrewsbury:

James Welch = James Welsh

Joshua Bailey, beer retailer, Cape Street. [1872]

Wednesbury Herald 30/10/1880

“On Tuesday Mr. Edwin Hooper (Coroner) held an inquest at the ROSE AND CROWN INN, Cape Street, Greets Green, West Bromwich, on the body of William Cooper (66), described as a ‘bull-dog’ burner, of Horseley Heath, Tipton. Deceased lived with a married daughter. On the morning of the 14th inst he called at the house of a daughter named Nicholls, at Sheepwash Lane, Great Bridge, and subsequently left, stating that he was going on a visit to a brother, a publican at Bilston, after which he was not seen by any members of his family, and Nicholls stated no enquiries were made as to his whereabouts.

On the following day he was seen sitting on a pile of bricks at the top of a large cinder mount, near Greets Green, the cinders being on fire at the time. Last Saturday a boy named Tonks was picking coal and iron from the mount, when he saw a man’s feet projecting over the summit. Upon scrambling up the mount he saw the deceased, and then hastened to give information to the police.

Police-sergeant Chatham went to the mount, and found the body, which was lying with his face upwards, in a shocking state of decomposition. The face was black, and it appeared that the body had been there from the time when the man was last seen alive. The body was in the midst of burning cinders, and beneath it there were cinders which emitted suffocating fumes of sulphur. The clothing had been burnt, and the body was generally badly scorched. The police were unable to obtain identification of the body until half an hour previous to the inquest, when Chatham discovered who the man was, and informed his friends.

The Coroner said it appeared that the body had been on the mount for a week, as it was much decomposed. There was no doubt death had resulted from suffocation by the fumes arising from the burning cinders around him.

The jury returned a verdict to this effect, and commented upon the seeming indifference on the part of the deceased’s friends in not making enquiries as to his whereabouts.”

1881 Census

56, Cape Street – ROSE AND CROWN

- [1] *Joshua Bailey* (42), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Rachael Bailey* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alice Bailey* (18), born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary A. Bailey* (9), scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Rachael Bailey* (7), scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Charlotte Bailey* (4), scholar, born West Bromwich:

Henry George Day was fined 10s and costs, on 7th March 1889, for permitting gaming.

Benjamin Richard Slater was married to *Catherine*.
He died in 1895.

1901 Census

56, Cape Street – ROSE AND CROWN INN

- [1] *Abraham Matthews* (29), licensed victualler, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Ellen Matthews* (27), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Florence E. Matthews* (5), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Susannah Matthews* (4), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [5] *Harriet Yates* (25), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

George Meers was married to *Rebecca*.
He died in 1903.

1911 Census

Cape Street

- [1] *Thomas Fox* (39), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Jane Fox* (31), wife, married 10 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Eva Fox* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Doris Fox* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lilly Littleone* (19), general servant, born Thoyland, Yorkshire:

Thomas Fox died in 1911.

Mary Ann Fox was fined 15s and £3 4s 6d costs, on 13th November 1911, for opening her licensed premises for the sale of intoxicating liquor during prohibited hours.

Greets Green Bowling Club were based here. [1930's]
They played their home games in Farley Park.

It had a jazz band. [1930's]

It had a shooting club. [1930's]

William Gamble was married to *Hannah*.

[2007]

Closed [2008], [2014]



c. 1986



2008

OLDE WINE SHOPPE, YE

89, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Smith Morris, High Street, West Bromwich
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd. [1897]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Courage Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Smith Morris [1868] – [1881]
Samuel Woodhall [1889] – **1897**;
Walter John Sealey [1891] manager
William Henry Hall (**1897**);
Horace Arthur Stimpson (**1897 – 1898**);
John Henshaw (**1898 – 1899**);
Marcus Paul Roberts (**1899**);
William Jones (**1899 – 1901**);
Jesse Stokes (**1901**);
Benjamin Pickering (**1901 – 1910**);
Frederick Herbert Ryder (**1910 – 1916**);
Emma Ryder (**1916**);
Charles Kay (**1916 – 1924**);
William Arthur Newall (**1924 – 1928**);
Edward Henry Hunt (**1928 – 1929**);
James Fletcher (**1929 – 1935**);
Mrs. Emily Fletcher (**1935 – 1950**);
Edward Hartland (**1950 – 1955**);
James Henry Rowberry (**1955 – 1956**);
Thomas William Joseph Gibson (**1956 – 1959**);
Roy Compton (**1959 – []**)
James Lee (**1961 – 1985**)
McKella [1992]
A Singh [2012]



c. 1980s

NOTES

It was formerly the OLD GRAPES. [1872], [1889], [1896]
GRAPES [1891]

OLD WINE SHOP [1904]

William Smith Morris, spirit vaults, High Street. [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

High Street

- [1] *William S. Morris* (56), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth A. Morris* (50), wife, born New York;
- [3] *Frederick Morris* (15), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harry A. Morris* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

89, High Street

- [1] *William S. Morris* (66), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth A. Morris* (61), wife, born United States;
- [3] *Frederick Morris* (26), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harry A. Morris* (18), son, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

89, High Street – GRAPES INN

- [1] *Walter John Sealey* (43), publican's manager, born Tardebigg, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Emma A. Sealey* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Albert W. Sealey* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mabel Sealey* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Edmund Sealey* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ethel Sealey* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Sarah Dudman* (70), widow, mother in law, born Woolwich, Kent;
- [8] *Mary A. Chambers* (18), general servant, born Priestfield, Staffordshire;
- [9] *Harriet M. Caverley* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Walter John Sealey – see also PRINCE ALBERT.

Samuel Woodhall – see also FOX AND DOGS.

He was also a brewer and wine and spirits merchant, 61, High Street. [1892], [1896]

Its name was changed to GEORGE [1900]

West Bromwich Weekly News 7/4/1900

“On Monday at the West Bromwich Police Court before the Stipendiary (Mr. E. G. A. Neville), *William Jones*, licensee of the GEORGE INN, or what is commonly known as YE OLDE WINE SHOPPE, High Street, West Bromwich, was charged with permitting drunkenness upon his licensed premises on March 15th last He had previously kept a public house in another part of the town. There was nothing recorded against him.

The Stipendiary said, as the charge in the case was heavy, he should only impose a small fine. Defendant was fined 10s and costs, the total amounting to £2 15s 6d.”

– He had been there about three months.

It was renamed OLD WINE SHOP [1900], [1912], [1916], [1921]

Smethwick Weekly News 16/2/1901

“Mr. A. A. Caddick applied for the temporary transfer of the license of YE OLDE WINE SHOPE, High Street, West Bromwich, from *William Jones* to *Jesse Stokes*, lately residing at Birmingham. *Stokes*'s character was reported as satisfactory, and the application was granted.”

1901 Census

89, High Street

- [1] *Jesse Stokes* (33), manager public house, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Amy Stokes* (32), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Elizabeth Stokes* (22), sister, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Rose Timmins* (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Jesse Stokes* (9), son, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Ada Stokes* (5), daughter, born Birmingham:

Jesse Stokes – see also CAPE HOTEL.

Benjamin Pickering – check also HORSE SHOE.

1911 Census

89, High Street

- [1] *Frederick Herbert Ryder* (32), public house tenant, born Smethwick;
- [2] *Emma Ryder* (36), wife, married 7 years, assisting in the business, born Northfield;
- [3] *Leonard Everard Ryder* (6), son, born Smethwick;
- [4] *Fred Ryder* (4), son, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Annie Dowd* (27), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 24/8/1912

“Mr. *F. Ryder*, formerly of the WINDMILL INN, and now of YE OLDE WINE SHOP, West Bromwich, organized an outing by motor charabanc for the pleasure of his customers on their annual trip. About 50 were taken to Worcester. Dinner was served at the Angel Hotel, and in the afternoon a river trip to Holt Fleet was greatly enjoyed. The return journey was commenced at 6pm, West Bromwich being reached in good time. It was a very enjoyable outing, and the kindness of ‘mine host’ was greatly appreciated.”

James Fletcher was married to *Emily*.

James Henry Rowberry – see also THREE MILE OAK.

It was renamed YE OLDE WINE SHOPPE [1996]

[2014]



1996



2014

OLIVER CROMWELL

128, (62), Wood Lane / Piercey Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

James Hill
Harriet Hill, Oldbury Road, West Smethwick
Samuel Woodhall Ltd. [1896]
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1938]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.
Inspired Inns [2001]

LICENSEES

James Hill [] - **1881**);
Thomas James Wall (**1881 - 1896**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Wall (**1896 - 1903**);
Mark Copson (**1903 - 1925**);
Bertie Willetts (**1925 - 1927**);
Henry Thomas Gazey (**1927 - 1934**);
Frank 'Yank' Hadley (**1934 - 1949**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Hadley (**1949 - 1951**);
Norman Charles Harding (**1951 - 1953**);
Sidney Ernest Hodson (**1953 - 1959**);
James Ryan (**1959 - 1960**);
Harvey Etherington (**1960 - []**)
Douglas J Whitehouse [1976]
Charles Henry Carson [1982]
F G Rotton [1983]
Trevor Constable [1992] - [1993]
Tracy Thomas (**1997 - [1998]**)

NOTES

62, Wood Lane [1881], [1891], [1901]
128, Wood Lane

It had a beerhouse license.
It was originally unnamed.

1881 Census

62, Wood Lane - OLIVER CROMWELL

- [1] *James Hill* (58), beer seller and grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Harriet Hill* (58), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Alice Hill* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jacob Hill* (21), son, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Hill* (19), daughter, assistant school mistress, born West Bromwich:

Thomas James Wall, beer retailer, 62, Wood Lane. [1888], [1892], [1896]



c. 1986



2003

1891 Census

62, Wood Lane

- [1] *Thomas James Wall* (34), grocer and beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Ann Wall* (32), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Bella Wall* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Alice Wall* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Edith Wall* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William James Wall* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ellen Scanlon* (67), general servant, born Dudley Port:

Thomas James Wall died in 1896.

Mrs. *Mary Wall*, beer retailer, 62, Wood Lane. [1900]

She was charged £1 13s 0d costs, on 3rd February 1898, for permitting drunkenness.

1901 Census

62, Wood Lane

- [1] *Mary Ann Wall* (42), widow, beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Bella Wall* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alice Wall* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edith Wall* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William James Wall* (12), son, born West Bromwich:

Mark Copson, beer retailer, 62, Wood Lane. [1904], [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

Wood Lane – OLIVER CROMWELL

- [1] *Mark Copson* (48), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Copson* (47), wife, married 27 years, assisting in business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lillian Groom* (20), niece, assisting in business, born West Bromwich:

Greets Green Flying Club (pigeons) met here. [1929], [1998]

Frank Hadley was married to *Mary Ann*.

He died in 1949.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946]

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Darts League. [1951]

[2006]

Closed [2007], [2008]

It was demolished in 2008.

ORANGE TREE

12, (32), (26), Overend Street / Water Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Humphries
William Silk
Mrs. Elizabeth Silk
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]

LICENSEES

John Humphries [1852] – **1892**);
Sarah Ann Humphries (**1892 – 1893**);
William Silk (**1893 – 1901**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Silk (**1901 – 1907**);
Joseph Evans (**1907 – 1909**);
Daniel Knight (**1909**);
Arthur John Beddoe (**1909 – 1911**);
Samuel Green (**1911 – 1921**):

NOTES

26, Overend Street
12, Overend Street [1891]

It had a beerhouse license.

J. Humphries, beer retailer, Over End. [1858]
John Humphries, beer retailer, Overend. [1864]
John Humphries, beer retailer, Overend Street. [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Overend Street – The ORANGE TREE

- [1] *John Humphries* (49), publican and labourer, born Lowensen, Shropshire;
- [2] *Mary Humphries* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Humphries* (24), daughter, charwoman, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Humphries* (17), daughter, dressmaker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Humphries* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Elizabeth Humphries married *William Silk* in 1875.

John Humphries, beer retailer, 12, Overend Street. [1888], [1889], [1892]
He was fined 5s and costs, on 11th June 1888, for permitting drunkenness.

1891 Census

12, Over End Street

- [1] *John Humphries* (72), widower, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah A. Humphries* (43), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Humphries* (13), granddaughter, scholar, born Handsworth:

Smethwick Telephone 3/9/1892

“Messrs. Thomas Harford and son are instructed (in consequence of the death of *John Humphries*) to offer for sale by public auction all that old-established, free beerhouse known as the ORANGE TREE, with the land, outbuildings and appurtenances thereto belonging, situated and being No. 12 Overend Street, West Bromwich having extensive frontages to Overend Street and Water Street. To investors wishing to secure a noted Free Beer House, this offers an exceptional opportunity, the same being well arranged and occupying a prominent corner position in a thickly populated neighbourhood. This business was carried on by the late *John Humphries* for upwards of 40 years.....”

William Silk, beer retailer, 12, Overend Street. [1896], [1900]

1901 Census

Overend Street

- [1] *William Silk* (48), publican and coal dealer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Silk* (47), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Silk* (23), daughter, born Handsworth;
- [4] *Sarah Humphries* (54), sister in law, unmarried, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elsie Bates* (2), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

William Silk – see also KING AND CONSTITUTION.

Mrs. *Elizabeth Silk*, beer retailer, 26, Overend Street. [1904]

1911 Census

32, Overend Street

- [1] *Arthur John Beddoe* (42), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Emmie Kate Beddoe* (31), wife, married 4 years, born West Smethwick;
- [3] *Edward James Beddoe* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hyman James Horton* (35), brother in law, unmarried, baker, born West Bromwich:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1921.
The license was extinguished on 31st December 1921.

PACKET OF GRAPES

Phoenix Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Benjamin Cox, Oldbury Road, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Joseph Hickman [] - **1871**);
Benjamin Ince (**1871 - 1875**):

NOTES

PACKET [1871]

It had a beerhouse license.

Benjamin Ince, beer retailer, Phoenix Street. [1872]

The license was abandoned in 1875.

PEACOCK

141, (139), Dartmouth Street / Lambert End, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Davis, Portway, near Oldbury
Reuben Farley Esq., New Street, West Bromwich
Charlotte Lowe
J. A. and A. Thompson, maltsters, Oldbury
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd.
Thomas Oliver Ltd. [1911]

LICENSEES

William Lowe [1864] - **1876**);
Mrs. Mary Lowe (**1876 - 1889**);
John Lowe (**1889 - 1895**);
Mrs. Charlotte Lowe (**1895 - 1897**);
Mrs. Agnes (Lowe) Richards (**1897 - 1898**);
Sarah Dicken (**1898**);
Edward Birchall (**1898 - 1899**);
William Taylor (**1899 - 1900**);
Robert Carter (**1900 - 1901**);
William Cox Snr. (**1901 - 1904**);
William Cox Jr. (**1904 - 1905**);
Mrs. Comfort Cox (**1905 - 1906**);
John Richards Asson (**1906 - 1914**);
Mrs. Florence Asson (**1914 - 1927**);
George Eric Hill (**1927 - 1928**);
George Harold Dunn (**1928**);
Harry Botfield (**1928 - 1938**);

NOTES

139, Dartmouth Street [1881], [1891], [1901]
141, Dartmouth Street [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Dartmouth Street

- [1] *William Lowe* (60), retail brewer, paralytic, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Lowe* (60), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Lowe* (30), son, puddler, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Joseph Lowe* (27), son, shoemaker, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

139, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *Mary Lowe* (72), widow, beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Joseph Lowe* (34), son, shoemaker, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. *Mary Lowe*, beer retailer, 139, Dartmouth Street. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

139, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *John Lowe* (48), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Charlotte Lowe* (46), wife, born Walsall;
- [3] *Ann Lowe* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Lowe* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William Lowe* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Charlotte Lowe* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Maud Lowe* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *John Lowe* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Joseph Lowe* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Joseph Lowe* (46), brother, shoe maker, deaf and dumb, born West Bromwich:

John Lowe, beer retailer, 139, Dartmouth Street. [1892]

He died in 1895.

Mrs. *Charlotte Lowe*, beer retailer, 139, Dartmouth Street. [1896]

Edward Birchall was fined £5 and costs, on 9th January 1899, for suffering gaming.

West Bromwich Licencing Sessions – August 1899 – *William Taylor's* renewal was opposed – “keeps a house of disorderly character.”

William Taylor, beer retailer, 139, Dartmouth Street. [1900]

1901 Census

139, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *Robert Carter* (28), publican, born Portsmouth;
- [2] *Emily Carter* (26), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lilian Carter* (5), daughter, born United States (British subject);
- [4] *Mary A. Carter* (5 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Johnson* (56), son in law, general labourer, born Streton on Torse, Warwickshire:

William Cox, beer retailer, 139, Dartmouth Street. [1904]

John R. Asson, beer retailer, 139, Dartmouth Street. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

141, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *John Richards Asson* (29), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Florence Asson* (27), wife, married 7 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Edith Ruth Asson* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Asson* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Asson* (1 month), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Phoebe Parkes* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

John R. Asson died in 1914.

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1938.

The license renewal was refused on 15th July 1938.

The license was extinguished on 30th December 1938.

PHEASANT

49, Albert Street, Lyng, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

J. Freeth
Thomas John Beddard
Sarah Ann Beddard
Allan, Huw, and Clarke, Oxford Road, Moseley, Birmingham
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]

LICENSEES

James Freeth [1861] – 1874);
Joseph Westwood (1874 – 1876);
John Beasley (1876 – 1877);
Catherine Downing (1877 – 1887);
Thomas John Beddard (1887 – 1915);
Mrs. Sarah Ann Beddard (1915 – 1916);
Albert Boot (1916);
Edwin Capewell (1916 – 1921);
Frank Bridges (1921 – 1922);
Thomas Sidney Smith (1922 – 1923);
Joseph 'Joe' Cox (1923 – 1940);
Ernest Hartley (1940 – 1941);
William Walker (1941 – 1947);
Mrs. Maria Walker (1947 – 1950);
Horace Edward Cooper (1950 – 1951);
May Comfort Skidmore (1951 – 1955);
Ernest George Miller (1955 – 1959);
Alice Malin (1959 – 1960);
Harold Reginald Elliston (1960):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census

Albert Street – PHEASANT INN & Grocer's shop
[1] *James Freeth* (52), publican, born Smethwick;
[2] *Maria Freeth* (50), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] *James Freeth* (21), son, born West Bromwich;
[4] *Maria Freeth* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[5] *Jane Freeth* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[6] *William Freeth* (13), son, born West Bromwich;
[7] *Louisa Freeth* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[8] *Joseph Balton* (29), lodger, furnace of hand foundry (?), born West Bromwich:

James Freeth, beer retailer, Albert Street. [1868]

1871 Census

Albert Street

- [1] *James Freeth* (62), publican, born Smethwick;
- [2] *Maria Freeth* (61), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Freeth* (22), son, bundler in ironworks, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Louisa Freeth* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Westwood was fined £5 and costs for permitting drunkenness during 1875 – 1876, licensing period.

1881 Census

49, Albert Street – Public House

- [1] *Catherine Downing* (54), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Dudley;
- [2] *Samuel Hartshorn* (81), father, widower, coal miner, unemployed, born Gornal;
- [3] *Catherine Jesson* (23), niece, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Thomas Beddard* (31), nephew, mining engineer, born Crockmoor, [Brockmoor], Staffordshire;
- [5] *Sarah Ann Beddard* (29), niece, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Catherine Beddard* (2), niece, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

49, Albert Street

- [1] *Thomas J. Beddard* (41), publican, born Brockmoor;
- [2] *Sarah A. Beddard* (37), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Sarah A. Beddard* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Catherine Beddard* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Arthur Beddard* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Marion Beddard* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Jane J. Bromley* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

49, Albert Street

- [1] *Thomas J. Beddard* (51), publican, born Brockmoor;
- [2] *Sarah A. Beddard* (47), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Sarah A. Beddard* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Catherine Beddard* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Arthur Beddard* (19), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Marion Beddard* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Matilda Simkins* (17), domestic servant, born Oldbury:

Thomas J. Beddard, beer retailer, 49, Albert Street. [1904]

1911 Census

49, Albert Street

- [1] *Thomas J. Beddard* (61), brewer and publican, born Brierley Hill;
- [2] *Sarah A. Beddard* (57), wife, married 39 years, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Marion Beddard* (21), daughter, assists in business, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Kath Griffiths* (31), daughter, married, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Thomas Griffiths* (7), grandson, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Wilfred Griffiths* (5), grandson, school, born West Bromwich:

Thomas John Beddard died in 1915.

William Walker was married to *Maria*.

The license was suspended from 24th August 1960.

PHEASANT

Hawkes Lane / New Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Langford []

NOTES

Closed
It became a private dwelling.

A British Legion was built in front of it.

Demolished

PHEASANT

83, Oldbury Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Phipps [1891] – **1895**);
William Robinson (**1895 – 1902**);
James Williams (**1902 – 1907**);
William Draper Jnr. (**1907 – 1913**);
Edmund John Lawton (**1913 – []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1891 Census

83, Oldbury Road – Grocer's Shop

- [1] *Joseph Phipps* (59), general labourer, born Stow on the Wold, Gloucestershire;
- [2] *Fanny Phipps* (56), wife, born Stow on the Wold, Gloucestershire;
- [3] *George C. Phipps* (21), son, iron roller, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *James R. Phipps* (18), son, iron roller, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice E. Phipps* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Draper, beer retailer, 83, Oldbury Road. [1908], [1912]

Joseph Phipps, beer retailer and shopkeeper, 83, Oldbury Road. [1892]

William Robinson, beer retailer and baker, 81, Oldbury Road. [1900]
[The address above is probably a printing error.]

1901 Census

83, Oldbury Road

- [1] *William Robinson* (28), baker & confectioner & off license, born Dublin;
- [2] *Mary Robinson* (26), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Phillip Robinson* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Kathleen Robinson* (10 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Douglass* (19), shop assistant, born Church Lawford, Warwickshire;
- [6] *Rachel Cooper* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

James Williams, beer retailer, 83, Oldbury Road. [1904]

Closed

PHOENIX

Phoenix Street, Swan Village, (Ryders Green), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Edward Rowley [1868] – [1872]

NOTES

Edward Rowley, beer retailer, Phoenix Street. [1868], [1870]

West Bromwich Weekly News 29/5/1875

“Unreserved Clearing Out Sale at the PHOENIX INN, Phoenix Street, Ryders Green Mr. W. Hickman will sell by auction, on Wednesday next, June 23rd 1875, a portion of the clean and substantial Household Furniture. And the whole of the Brewing Plant, Stock In Trade, and other effects including Metallic Half tester and French Bedsteads, Palliasses, Feather and Flock Beds, Mahogany and other Chests of Drawers Cross legged Drinking Table, all the Seating and Partitioning in the Tap Room, all the Gas Fitting throughout the Premises, Hop Press (nearly new), Capital Malt Crusher, 16 strike Mash Tub, two Vats, lots of Tubs and Barrels, large Gathering Tub, Coasters and Shelving, 4 pull Beer Machine and piping, Lead Wort Pipe with brass tap To be sold in consequence of leaving the Premises.....”

PLEASANT INN

Horton Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Westwood [1875]

NOTES

West Bromwich Weekly News 1/5/1875

“A young man named Samuel Fairclough was charged with being drunk on licensed premises. Police constable Colclough proved that on the previous night he was called to a disturbance at the PLEASANT INN, Horton Street. During a melee, which was going on, the defendant threatened witness, and a great crowd gathered round.

Sergeant Turner corroborated the evidence of this officer, and the Bench inflicted a fine of 5s and costs, in default 14 days imprisonment. In connection with this case the landlord of the PLEASANT public house, *Joseph Westwood*, was summoned for permitting drunkenness in his premises Miss (sic) Fanny Westwood, on being placed in the box, stated that her husband was ill in bed with a sprained ankle. The disturbance mentioned was not created on his premises, but in another part of the street. Several witnesses were called to prove that Fairclough was not drunk at all, nor anybody else in the house.

The magistrates, however, expressed their opinion that there was drunkenness in the house, and accordingly fined the defendant 40s and costs.”

PLOUGH

40, (36), (16), Overend Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

S. and W. S. Downing, maltsters, Smethwick
George Arnold and Co. Ltd.
Arnold and Bates Ltd. [1899]
Ansells Ltd. [1924]
Darby's Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Catherine Vernal [1861]
Daniel Smith [1864]
Caroline Smith [1868]
Daniel Smith [1871] – [1873]
Edward Bagnall [] – **1881**)
Joseph Cooper [1881] – [1882]
James Pritchard [1888]
Dennis Hickey [1889]
Francis Lavinia Pursall [1889] – **1891**);
Ann Phillips (**1891 – 1892**);
Charles Clifton (**1892 – 1893**);
Frederick Worrall (**1893**);
William Bailey (**1893**);
Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Gould (**1893 – 1898**);
William James Payne (**1898 – 1905**);
Samuel Payne (**1905 – 1912**);
John William Reeves (**1912 – 1930**);
Richard James Gibson (**1930 – 1931**);
Sidney Joseph Twist (**1931 – 1944**);
Thomas Parker (**1944 – 1954**);
Francis Arthur Bradley (**1954 – [1957]**)

NOTES

16, Overend Street [1881], [1889], [1891]
36, Overend Street [1901], [1904], [1908], [1912], [1916]
40, Overend Street [1911], [1921]

It offered 'accommodation for cyclists'.

1871 Census

Overend Street – The PLOUGH

- [1] *Daniel Smith* (55), victualler and coal dealer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Smith* (52), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Selina Smith* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hannah Smith* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Thompson* (70), general servant, born Walsall;
- [6] *Isaiah Timmins* (58), boarder, whitesmith, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Charles Horton* (26), boarder sailor, born West Bromwich:

Daniel Smith was fined £5 and costs and his license endorsed for permitting drunkenness in November 1873.

West Bromwich Weekly News 1/1/1881

“A petition in liquidation was filed at the Oldbury County Court, on Wednesday, by Messrs. Jackson and Thompson, West Bromwich, on behalf of *Edward Bagnall* of the PLOUGH INN, Overend Street. The liabilities amounted to £400.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 8/1/1881

“*Edward Bagnall*, landlord of the PLOUGH INN, Overend Street, was charged with harbouring prostitutes, on the 13th ult. Mr. Jackson defended, and Mr. F. Caddick appeared for the owner of the house.

PC Wright said that on the day named he went to defendant’s house in plain clothes, and saw standing at the bar seven prostitutes. He heard the defendant make certain suggestions to some men who were in the shop. Mrs. *Bagnall* and the barmaid were behind the bar and could hear the whole of what was going on in the bar. He left the house, and subsequently visited it again, when he saw several of the prostitutes there still. Each time he was in the house he heard bad and indecent language used.

Cross-examined by Mr. Jackson: Should say it was most difficult to keep prostitutes out of the house. Mrs. *Bagnall* reprovved several persons for using bad language.

PCs Robinson and Bishop and PS Clayton gave corroborative evidence.

Mr. Jackson for the defence contended that it was impossible for the defendant to keep his house free from bad women, considering the street in which it was situated. His client had lost a great deal of money on the PLOUGH, and he was about to leave the town.

The Stipendiary said he considered the case was proved, and should fine the defendant £5 and costs.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 26/3/1881

“Joseph Cope and Isaac Franks were summoned on a charge of being disorderly and refusing to quit the PLOUGH INN.

Fined 5s and 10s 6d costs each.”

1881 Census

16, Overend Street – PLOUGH INN

- [1] *Joseph Cooper* (68), publican, born Bilston;
- [2] *Phoebe Cooper* (60), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Ann Sharley* (66), sister, general servant, born Bilston;
- [4] *Elijah Cooper* (25), son, bundler, born Bilston;
- [5] *Joseph Cooper* (19), son, born Bilston:

Wednesbury Herald 11/2/1882

“At the West Bromwich Police Court on Saturday, *Joseph Cooper*, the landlord of the PLOUGH INN, Overend Street, was charged with harbouring women of bad character, and with permitting drunkenness on his premises, on the 7th January. Mr. H. Brevitt, Wolverhampton, prosecuted on behalf of the police; Mr. G. Walters, from the office of Messrs. E. and A. Caddick, West Bromwich, defended.

Evidence was given by the police to prove both charges.

The evidence was that defendant’s house was in the midst of a street where many of the women lived, and he could not exactly refuse them admittance. The drunken men were not supplied with any drink on the premises.

Defendant was fined £10 on each charge, and the license was endorsed.”

Francis Lavinia Pursall was fined 20s and costs, on 7th February 1889, for harbouring prostitutes.

Mrs. *Ann Phillips* was fined 20s and costs, on 19th February 1891, for supplying intoxicating liquor to a drunken person.

1891 Census

16, Over End Street – The PLOUGH INN

- [1] William Phillips (40), tube maker, born Plymouth;
- [2] *Ann Phillips* (43), wife, publican, born Birmingham;
- [3] William Phillips (16), son, born Birmingham;
- [4] Henry Phillips (13), son, born Birmingham;
- [5] Samuel Phillips (7), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [6] Harriet Cox (19), servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. *Ann Phillips* was fined £4 and costs, on 11th April 1892, for harbouring prostitutes.

Frederick Worrall was fined £2 and costs, on 1st March 1893, for supplying intoxicating liquor to a drunken person.

William James Payne, beer retailer, 16. Overend Street. [1900]

1901 Census

36, Overend Street

- [1] Louisa Payne (58), widow, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *William J. Payne* (26), son, public house manager, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Eliza J. Paynes (28), daughter, duller, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Agnes Payne (23), daughter, warehouse, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Samuel Payne* (20), son, spring maker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Sarah Payne (18), daughter, warehouse, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Nellie Payne (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;

William James Payne – see also CRICKETERS ARMS, and STORES.

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

1911 Census

40, Overend Street

- [1] Louisa Payne (68), widow, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Eliza Payne (38), daughter, general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Agnes Yenton (33), daughter, married 5 years, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Samuel Payne* (30), son, unmarried, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Sarah Payne (28), daughter, warehouse girl, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Nellie Payne (22), daughter, dressmaker, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Leslie Yenton (3), nephew, born West Bromwich:

Sidney Joseph Twist – check also DOG AND DUCK.

A team from here took part in the Sandwell Darts League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

Closed

PLOUGH AND HARROW

2, Taylors Lane, (Sandwell Road), (Woodward Street), (Stoney Lane), Mares Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Betsy Bayley
Sarah Granger Bayley
Worcestershire Brewing and Malting Co. Ltd. [1901]
Kidderminster Brewery Ltd. [1914]

LICENSEES

George Granger [1818] – [1842]
Mrs. Dorothy Granger [1845]
George William Bayley [1849] – [1873]
Mrs. Betsy Bayley [1881] – **1893**;
Mrs. Sarah Granger Bayley (**1893 – 1897**);
Joseph Morris Lofthouse (**1897 – 1899**);
Edward Poole (**1899 – 1900**);
William Ayre (**1900 – 1901**);
William Marhenke (**1901 – 1902**);
William Henry Hunt (**1902 – 1914**);
William Henry Fell (**1914 – 1915**);

NOTES

Mares Green [1849]
Sandwell Road [1858]
Taylors Lane [1860], [1864], [1892], [1896]
Woodward Street [1868], [1870]

PLOUGH AND HARROW [1860], [1868], [1881], [1891]
PLOUGH [1864], [1865]

George William Bayley = George William Bailey

1871 Census

Taylors Lane – PLOUGH AND HARROW
[1] *George W. Bayley* (44), licensed victualler, born Dudley;
[2] *Betsy Bayley* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
[3] *Sarah G. Bayley* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[4] *Caroline Bayley* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[5] *John Gough* (20), billiard marker, born Dudley;
[6] *Jane Botfield* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich;
[7] *James Dales* (18), servant, labourer, born Albrighton, Shropshire:

Wednesbury Herald 17/1/1880

“West Bromwich and District Retail Brewers’ Association. On Wednesday night the fifth anniversary dinner in connection with this association was held at the PLOUGH AND HARROW HOTEL, West Bromwich.....”

Betsey Bayley = Betsy Bayley

1881 Census

2, Taylors Lane – PLOUGH AND HARROW INN

- [1] *Betsey Bayley* (53), widow, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah G. Bayley* (30), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Caroline Bayley* (28), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Henrietta Lowe* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Howard* (16), general servant, born Warwickshire;
- [6] *Joseph B. Smith* (18), gardener, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 9/4/1881

“Bicycle Club. The annual dinner in connection with this club was held at the PLOUGH AND HARROW HOTEL, West Bromwich, on Monday night.

Captain Bache presided, and Mr. Thomas Spencer occupied the vice chair.....”

Wednesbury Herald 17/9/1881

“On Saturday night a quarrel, which terminated fatally to one of the disputants, occurred in Taylors Lane, West Bromwich. The quarrel was between Solomon Howard (34), of 9, Taylors Lane, puddler, and Richard Franklin (43), another puddler, also living in Taylors Lane. It appears that the men had been in the habit of keeping pigeons together up to about a fortnight ago. Since then they have dissolved the partnership, if it may be so termed, and divided the pigeons, but no quarrel appears to have taken place with regard to them up till Saturday night, the result being that Franklin was killed. An inquest was held on the body on Wednesday, before Mr. E. Hooper, district coroner, at the PLOUGH AND HARROW INN, when Howard, who is in custody, on the charge of causing deceased’s death was present at the inquiry. The following evidence was adduced.

The first witness called was Elizabeth Grice, a single woman, Popes Field, Walsall Street. She said: I know Richard Franklin. He was an underhand puddler by trade. I believe he was about 36 years of age. He lived in Taylors Lane. The body which has just been viewed by the jury is his. I went into Solomon Howard’s house on Saturday night about half past nine or ten o’clock. I have been in the habit of going in often. He also lives in Taylors Lane. I told Howard, that my brother-in-law (Richard Franklin) was coming to the pump for a kettle of water. The pump is facing Howard’s door. I told Howard that he was to have no bother with him, if he said anything to him. My reason was this: Franklin had had a drop of beer. They had kept pigeons together, but had divided the pigeons between them about ten days before. I believe both parties were satisfied as to the division. I saw Franklin come down to the pump. When he came Howard stood at his own door. Franklin said to Howard, ‘Sol, I am going to fill the kettle and make a drop of tea, and we are going to have a sup of rum in it, if I can find money enough.’ Franklin filled the kettle and went away from the pump. There are two houses above Howard’s house, and Franklin stood by the window of the top one. He then said to Howard, ‘Sol, I wish I had got some pigeons as good as yours.’ Howard said, ‘Let them be as good as they may I wanted my rights.’ Franklin said, ‘You are lucky you had them.’ Howard said, ‘If I had not had them I would have knocked the _____ pen down.’ Howard then walked up to Franklin and struck him at the back of the ear. They had been standing about half a dozen yards apart. Howard walked straight up to Franklin. I did not see that Howard had anything in his hand. I did not see him strike more than once. Howard walked straight back into his own house. Franklin was standing. He threw his head back and staggered and fell into my arms. He did not attempt to strike Howard again. There was no one else near. When he tumbled into my arms, I ‘hooted’ for help, and Mrs. Sheldon came. She said he was dying. Howard seemed to be sober. I don’t think he had had any beer. We carried Franklin home, and sent for Dr. Manley. He came, and said deceased was dead. These two men have known each other for a long time; they kept company together for a long time; and had been good friends. I don’t believe they had seen each other for a fortnight previous to this. Franklin never spoke after he was struck.

The Coroner: How long was it after the blow was struck that Franklin died? – I should think it would be about five minutes.

By a juror: After Franklin filled the kettle he went away from Howard’s house. Franklin did not tantalise Howard.

By another juror: I did not see the first blow struck. I was in Howard’s house. I heard it struck, and ran out and saw the second blow struck, when Franklin fell into my hands.

A Juror: If she only heard the first blow, how did she know Franklin did not strike it.

The Coroner: The blow might have been struck by Franklin, she did not see it.

John Benjamin Whitehouse said: I am a puddler, and live in Summer Street, West Bromwich. On Saturday night I was in Howard's house between nine and ten o'clock. I had been in half an hour. Elizabeth Grice, Howard, and his wife were there. I was there when Elizabeth Grice came in. She said Dick was coming to do something to somebody, but I don't know whether it was meant to me or Howard. Franklin came down to the pump for a kettleful of water. I heard him go to the pump. When he was going away he said, 'Sol, I have got some water, and I am going to have some rum.' Then they began to quarrel over the pigeons. I don't know which commenced, but something was said about some pigeons. Howard said, 'If I had not had my pigeons I should have knocked my pen down.' Franklin replied, 'If you had knocked the pen down you would have knocked me down.' I was in Howard's house when I heard this. Howard then went away from the door, and I then heard a scuffle. Howard afterwards came back to the house and stood against the door. Franklin's wife was then hooting 'Murder.' Howard came into the house, and a little girl followed him in and said, 'Father they say you have killed Dickey.' Howard replied, 'I can't help it.' I said, 'Sol, what have you done?', and he replied, 'Well, I have done it.' Before this scuffle took place I tried to induce Howard not to leave the house. I said, 'Sol, don't go out to have any bother; what you have to say go up and tell him in the morning.' He did not say anything when I told him that, but went out, and then the bother began.

By a Juror: I told Franklin that I should not go out to have any bother. Deceased and I had a bit of a bother on Oldbury Wake Monday night, but not about the pigeons. The three of us had a bit of bother about some pigeon matches we had. I heard some scuffling before Elizabeth Grice went out. She went out directly it commenced.

Mr. John Manley said: I am a surgeon practising in West Bromwich. On Saturday night I was sent for to see Franklin. I found him lying in the downstairs room in his house, dead. The body was warm. Since then I have had a post mortem examination. The examination was made on Tuesday afternoon assisted by Dr. A. Underhill, of Great Bridge. My assistant (Mr. Aston), was also present. On superficial inspection I found a slight contusion over the left eyebrow, and a large one below and behind the left ear. On opening the skull I found a large clot at the base of the brain caused by a rupture of the spinal arteries. I found the neck dislocated. The other organs of the body were healthy and the body was fairly nourished. The immediate cause of death was dislocation of the neck. The dislocation might be caused by the blow in the first instance, which might possibly have caused the deceased to throw his head back, and to cause the dislocation.

In answer to the jury Mr. Manley added that he had never before in his own experience met with a case in which a man's neck was dislocated by a blow from another man's fist. He did not think the blow would have been sufficient to cause death if deceased's neck had not been dislocated.

The Coroner then briefly summed up. He pointed out that the most important evidence was given by the first witness, and if the jury were satisfied that the blow was struck, as she stated, by Howard, and if they relied upon the evidence of Mr. Manley, there could not be the slightest doubt that the blow had been the primary cause of death. If that was the case they were bound by duty to return a verdict of manslaughter.

Mary Ann Franklin, widow of the deceased, was called. She stated that her husband was 34 years of age. He went to the pump believing the water on the night in question.....

Evening Star 3/1/1882

"Mr. Hooper (coroner) held an inquest at the PLOUGH AND HARROW INN, Taylors Lane, West Bromwich, on Monday, on the body of William Smith, aged 85, a coach harness maker by trade, living with his daughter, Mrs. Webb, at 8 Summer Street. On Friday he was attacked with a fit, and died before a medical man could come. A verdict of Death from Natural Causes was returned."

'West Bromwich Albion, The First Hundred Years' by G. A. Willmore

"At this time [1885/5], the players now changed at the PLOUGH AND HARROW public house wherein the landlady kept a thrush (or throstle) in a cage on the wall, which was regarded as the players' mascot during these Cup exploits....."

Black Country Bugle (February 1986)

Letter from H. Bates, West Bromwich

".....it had an imposing frontage and extensive grounds to the rear, and enjoyed a plethora of select customers It was the headquarters of West Bromwich Albion when they played on the Stoney Lane ground The premises were ultimately taken over by Grant's Bakeries."

1891 Census

2, Taylors Lane – PLOUGH AND HARROW

- [1] *Betsy Bayley* (63), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Bayley* (40), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Selena Jones* (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Wright* (18), general servant, born Dudley;
- [5] *Hannah Humphries* (16), general servant, born Codsall:

Smethwick Telephone 1/7/1893

“Quoits – League Matches. West Bromwich v Locomotive – The league match between these two clubs was played on the grounds of the former club, which are pleasantly situated at the rear of the PLOUGH AND HARROW, Taylors Lane.”

Wolverhampton Chronicle 19/7/1899

“Wanted – Smart youth, live in, make himself useful with knowledge of gardening.”

Smethwick Weekly News 20/4/1901 - Advert

“PLOUGH AND HARROW Commercial Hotel / Stoney Lane, West Bromwich / *William Ayre* Proprietor / Standing in Own Grounds of an Acre / Stabling, Bowling Green, Tea Gardens, Billiards, Quoit Ground, &c. / Wines, Spirits / Worcestershire Malting Co.’s Ales.”

Smethwick Weekly News 27/4/1901

“PLOUGH AND HARROW HOTEL Bowling Club. The bowling green at the above hotel was opened by the members on Wednesday, the 24th, and a good gathering took place, the green being found in excellent condition. As darkness drew in an adjournment was made to dinner, which was served in the usual good style.”

1911 Census

PLOUGH AND HARROW

- [1] *William Henry Hunt* (39), widower, licensed victualler, born Stafford;
- [2] *Violet Florrie Hunt* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Hunt* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Reginald Hunt* (9), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Doris Barnsly* (21), housekeeper, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Alice Withouse* (16), servant, born West Bromwich:

The license was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1915.

The license renewal was refused on 8th June 1915.

The license was extinguished on 30th September 1915.

PLOUGH AND HARROW

89, William Street, Swan Village, (Great Bridge), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John George
Mrs. R. Guest, Eagle Street, Toll End, Tipton
J. and J. Yardley and Co. Ltd.
South Staffordshire Brewery
Old Wolverhampton Breweries Ltd.
Frank Myatt Ltd.
Holt Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ansells Ltd. [1958]

LICENSEES

John George [1871] – **1883**;
Rosannah George (**1883 – 1887**);
William Stokes Cox (**1887 – 1888**);
William Colwell (**1888**);
John Copper (**1888 – 1905**);
Thomas Lissimore [1889] ?
James Hunt (**1905 – 1914**);
Thomas 'Tom' Withington (**1914 – 1942**);
John Joseph Whittingham (**1942 – 1967**)
Cyril Jones [c. 1963]
George Eaton [] *last*

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

William Street

- [1] *John George* (40), steel dealer and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Rosanna George* (28), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William George* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Dolphin* (20), boarder, labourer in coach (?) yard, born Claremont, Herefordshire:

Midland Counties Evening Express 4/3/1875

“Ancient Order of Foresters. On Saturday evening the 20th February, the members of Court ‘Britannia’ No. 3920 of the Wolverhampton and Tipton District, celebrated the removal of their court to the PLOUGH AND HARROW INN, William Street, West Bromwich. They met at the house of Mr. Kendrick, the ROYAL OAK, Newtown, and walked in procession to their new court house.....”

1881 Census

89, William Street

- [1] *John George* (48), beerhouse keeper and farmer, born Cleeton, Shropshire;
- [2] *Rosehanna George* (40), wife, born Walsall;
- [3] *William George* (10), son, born Walsall;
- [4] *Joseph George* (4), son, born Walsall;
- [5] *Sam George* (3), son, born Walsall;
- [6] *Mary Rogers* (18), general servant, born Walsall;
- [7] *Harriet Rogers* (14), general servant, born Walsall:

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/3/1887

“*Rosannah George*, of the PLOUGH AND HARROW INN, West Bromwich, also appeared for her adjourned [public] examination. Mr. Caddick represented the debtor, and Messrs. Podbury (from the office of Mr. Shakespeare) and J. S. Sharpe examined the bankrupt with reference to the removal of a pig from her premises shortly before the petition was filed. She admitted that the pig was taken away, but said it did not belong to her at the time it was removed. She sold the animal to Mr. Guest, her husband, for £2 19s, to maintain the family. The pig was removed something like two months before the petition, and was brought back a few weeks ago.

Mr. Woollett remarked that Mr. Caddick had agreed to lay the whole of the facts relating to certain property claimed before the Official Receiver.

Mr. Caddick, said he had decided to adopt that course to avoid taking proceedings in equity, which would swallow up the whole of the estate in dispute.

The examination was then adjourned sine die.”

William Colwell, beer retailer, 89, William Street. [1888]

Thomas Lissimore, beer seller, 89, William Street. [1889]

John Copper, beer retailer, 89, William Street, Swan Village. [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

1891 Census

89, William Street – PLOUGH AND HARROW

- [1] *John Copper* (46), bricklayer, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Mary Ann Copper* (42), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Copper* (20), son, general labourer, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/1/1900

“National United Order of Free Gardeners. The annual meeting of the above district (West Bromwich and Smethwick) was held at the PLOUGH AND HARROW INN, William Street, West Bromwich on Saturday afternoon.....”

1901 Census

89, William Street

- [1] *John Copper* (56), publican, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Mary Ann Copper* (52), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Hannah Rees* (26), domestic servant, born Bloxwich:

James Hunt, beer retailer, 89, William Street, Swan Village. [1908]

1911 Census

89, William Street

- [1] *James Hunt* (63), publican, born Cradley, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Christiana Hunt* (63), wife, married 43 years, assisting in business, born Dudley;
- [3] *Eliza Jane Hunt* (30), daughter, worker at home, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Herbert Hunt* (23), son, moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Benjamin Hunt* (18), son, assistant roll turner, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *James Hunt* (36), boarder, stationary engine driver, born Dudley;
- [7] *Francis Louisa Hunt* (31), wife, married 11 years, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Harold Hunt* (10), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *James Hunt* (8), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Joseph Hunt* (6), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Louisa Hunt* (2), daughter, school, born West Bromwich:

Tom Withington was fined 10s and £2 4s 6d special costs, on 16th December 1915, for selling beer on 28th November (Sunday) after 8.30pm.

He was married to Elizabeth.

John Whittingham was married to Hilda.

Closed

Demolished

PLUMBERS ARMS

113, (75), Hargate Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Bayley Corbett
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd. [1897]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Cross [1818] – [1830]
John Watson [1845]
Charles Horden [1851]
Thomas C Bayley [1858]
Thomas Corbett* [1861]
Thomas Bayley Corbett* [1864] – **1897**);
William Collins (**1897**);
Thomas Cocks (**1897**);
William Jones (**1897 – 1899**);
Edwin Holden (**1899 – 1901**);
Clara (Potts) Neal (**1901**);
Zachariah William Neal (**1901 – 1902**);
Thomas William Manyer (**1902**);
George William Taylor (**1902 – 1904**);
Samuel Baker (**1904 – 1907**);
Charles Garrett (**1907 – 1909**);
William Darby (**1909 – 1929**);
Mrs. Mary Darby (**1929**);
Thomas Edward Beattie (**1929 – 1938**);
John Thomas Bate (**1938 – 1941**);
Robert Reed (**1941 – 1947**);
Edward Avery (**1947 – 1950**);
Horace Bruce Woodhall (**1950 – 1952**);
Joseph Evans (**1952 – 1955**);
Anthony Joseph Povey (**1955 – 1957**);
Robert William Leason (**1957 – 1958**);
James Arthur Brookes (**1958 – 1961**);
Kenneth George Toussaint (**1961 – []**)

NOTES

75, Hargate Lane [1881], [1888], [1892], [1896], [1901]
113, Hargate Lane [1911], [1916], [1921]

It had a beerhouse license.

Black Country Bugle 2/12/1999

Letter from L. Lofthouse, Taunton

It was known locally as 'The Blood Tub' – "My mother would not pass on a Saturday night because of fighting after 10pm."

John Cross was also a shoemaker. [1818]

Thomas Corbett = Thomas Cobbett

* possibly the same person

1871 Census

Hargate Lane

- [1] *Thomas B. Corbett* (46), victualler and brewer's agent, born Bloomsbury, Middlesex;
- [2] *Caroline Corbett* (48), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Harriet Corbett* (24), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas W. Corbett* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

75, Hargate Lane – PLUMBERS ARMS

- [1] *Thomas B. Corbett* (56), victualler and brewer, born London;
- [2] *Caroline Corbett* (58), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Harriett Corbett* (34), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

75, Hargate Lane

- [1] *Thomas B. Corbett* (66), licensed victualler, born Marylebone, London;
- [2] *Caroline Corbett* (68), wife, born West Bromwich:

William Jones, beer retailer, 75, Hargate Lane. [1900]

1901 Census

75, Hargate Lane

- [1] *Clara Potts* (23), widow, brewer's manageress, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Phoebe Potts* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *May Bromley* (22), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Clara Potts married a Mr. Neal in 1901.

William Darby was born in 1871, in Oldbury.

He married, firstly, *Lizzie Pittam* in 1894.

Lizzie Darby died in 1920.

William married, secondly *Mary Harman* in 1922.

He died in 1929.

See also GLOBE.

1911 Census

113, Hargate Lane

- [1] *William Darby* (40), public house keeper, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Lizzie Darby* (37), wife, married 17 years, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Marthan Annie Darby* (16), daughter, house work, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Darby* (14), son, assistant book binder, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lizzie Darby* (7), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Daniel Darby* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *John Darby* (1), son, born West Bromwich:

Plans for a bathroom on first floor, and sanitary convenience for ladies on ground floor, approved in 1934.

A new service counter in the bar was provided in 1935.

James Arthur Brookes – see also HARGATE TAVERN.

It closed on 24th July 1977.

The license was transferred to the CHINA CLIPPER.

PLUMBERS ARMS

36, (16), Tyndal Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Holding, Carters Green, West Bromwich
George Jerrams, Tat Bank, Oldbury
Walter Jerrams, Oldbury
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1902]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

Joseph Jennings [1868] - **1880**);
Isaiah Dicken (**1880 - 1881**);
Sarah Dicken (**1881**);
Harry Hamer Powderhill (**1881 - 1882**);
David Gascoigne (**1882 - 1886**);
Myra Ashton (**1886**);
George Timmins (**1886 - 1887**);
Enoch Joseph Wyres (**1887 - 1888**);
Stephen Turner (**1888 - 1889**);
John Baugh (**1889 - 1895**);
Jane Vaughan (**1895 - 1898**);
John William Darby (**1898 - 1906**);
Samuel Raybould (**1906 - 1909**);
Edwin Corfield (**1909 - 1911**);
John William 'Jack' Pedley (**1911 - 1941**);
Harold Passmore (**1941 - 1958**);
Annie Passmore (**1958 - 1959**);
John Henry Cooper (**1959 - []**)

NOTES

16, Tyndal Street [1881], [1891]
36, Tyndal Street [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Tyndal Street - PLUMBERS ARMS

- [1] *Joseph Jennings* (67), widower, retail brewer, born Bislton;
[2] *Isaiah Dicken* (34), nephew, coal miner, born West Bromwich;
[3] *Mary Dicken* (28), niece, housekeeper, born Handsworth:

1881 Census

16, Tyndal Street – PLUMBERS ARMS

- [1] *Isaiah Dicken* (40), beer seller and pit labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary A. Dicken* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Dicken* (9), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Frank Dicken* (6), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Charles Dicken* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Samuel Dicken* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Mary A. Buckley* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Harry Hamer Powderhill – see also HORSE SHOE.

Myra Ashton – see also HOP AND BARLEYCORN.

Ernest J. Wyres, beer retailer, 16, Tyndal Street. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

16, Tyndal Street – PLUMBERS ARMS

- [1] *John Baugh* (48), married, beerhouse keeper, born Wednesbury:

John Baugh, beer retailer, 16, Tyndal Street. [1892], [1896]

He was fined £8 and costs, on 21st August 1890, for two cases of permitting gaming, and a further 10s and costs for permitting gaming.

Check also WINDSOR CASTLE.

John William Darby, beer retailer, 16, Tyndal Street. [1900], [1904]

West Bromwich Weekly News 10/2/1900

“On Saturday last a rabbit supper took place at the PLUMBERS ARMS, Tyndal Street, (Host *W. Darby*) in connection with the Long Pipe Club held at the above house. A large assembly partook of the repast, and during the evening harmony was indulged in, interspersed with short speeches.”

1901 Census

16, Tyndal Street

- [1] *John W. Darby* (45), brass caster and beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Helen Darby* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Emily Rook* (27), cousin, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 27/4/1901 - Advert

“PLUMBERS ARMS, Tyndall Street, West Bromwich / Proprietor – *J. W. Darby* / Holder’s Celebrated Ales, Stouts, &c, always in good condition.”

Smethwick Weekly News 2/11/1901

“The West Bromwich Coroner (Mr. James Clark) held an inquest on Monday evening at the PLUMBERS ARMS INN, Tyndal Street, Carters Green, concerning the death of Arnold Sydney Goldie, aged 13 months, son of Louisa and Reuben Goldie, who reside in Tyndal Street, who was drowned under distressing circumstances on the 24th ult. The mother of the child stated that she had been a victim to fainting fits for some years past. About 11 o’clock on the morning in question she went into the brewhouse to fetch some potatoes, carrying her baby in her right arm. Just as she was about to return to the kitchen she was seized with a fit. She did not know what next happened, but when she recovered consciousness she missed the child. Nobody was near at the time, and she screamed, whereupon she again went insensible. Upon coming to herself again she explained that she thought the baby was in the cistern, which is near to the sink. A man got in and got the baby out, but she was told it was dead. The fits ran in the family, but when she had had one before she always had time to put the baby down before she lost consciousness. She had removed the lid off the cistern between 9 and 10 o’clock in the morning. The house was provided with tap water, but witness used the water out of the cistern for washing purposes.

John Habberley said he was working at Messrs. Tickle's works, in the vicinity of Goldie's house, on the 24th ult, when he heard a woman scream about 11.30 in the morning. He went out into the street, and two women told him that Mrs. Goldie had dropped her baby into the cistern. He immediately ran to the spot and descended the cistern, which contained about four feet of water. He could neither see or feel the child, but with the assistance of a drag recovered the body from under the arch. The infant was quite dead.

Lavinia Kent, a neighbour, said about 11 on Thursday morning, the 24th ult, she observed Mrs. Goldie lying in the yard wringing her hands and shouting, 'My child.' Witness went to her and asked where the baby was, to which Mrs. Goldie replied, 'In the cistern.' Witness asked how it had happened, and she replied that she dropped him.

The Coroner said open cisterns were frightful things about houses where children were.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death, and requested the Coroner to communicate with the owner of the house suggesting that a fixed covering should be placed over the cistern, and a pump provided.

This the Coroner promised to do, adding that he quite agreed with the suggestion."

J. W. Darby became bankrupt,

Samuel Raybould, beer retailer, 16, Tyndal Street. [1908]

John 'Jack' Pedley was born in February 1881, in West Bromwich(?).

He played football, as a left winger, for Wolverhampton Wanderers 1905 – 1910, making 168 appearances, and scoring 28 goals. He also played for Wednesbury Old Athletic and Wrexham.

1911 Census

36, Tyndal Street

[1] *John William Pedley* (28), professional footballer and beerhouse keeper, born Coseley;

[2] *Annie Pedley* (28), wife, married 5 years, born West Bromwich:

PRINCE ALBERT

79, Moor Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Edward Partridge, The Lyng, West Bromwich (later Church Street, Oldbury)
Sarah Hale
Charles Darby, brewer, West Bromwich
Darby's Brewery Ltd.
Courage Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Law [1871] - **1872**);
Mrs. Mary Law (**1872 - 1873**);
Joseph Brookes (**1873 - 1874**);
John Turner (**1874 - 1875**);
John Skidmore (**1875 - 1879**);
Edwin Hassall (**1879 - 1881**);
William Beasley (**1881 - 1885**);
Stephen Turner (**1885 - 1886**);
Samuel Hale (**1886 - 1893**);
Mrs. Sarah Hale (**1893 - 1915**);
Abraham Jones (**1915 - 1917**);
Thomas Mason (**1917 - 1921**);
Richard Hodgetts (**1921 - 1928**);
Alfred Phillips (**1928 - 1930**);
Mrs. Winnifred Emma Phillips (**1930 - 1940**);
James Henry Waldron (**1940 - 1941**);
Gladys Waldron (**1941 - 1943**);
Samuel Hadley (**1943 - 1947**);
John Absalom Robins (**1947**);
Leonard Riley (**1947 - 1951**);
Walter Giffiths (**1951 - 1953**);
Douglas Geoffrey Mercer (**1953 - 1955**);
Ernest Norris (**1955 - 1956**);
Leslie Alfred Berrow (**1956 - 1958**);
Howard Heath (**1958 - 1960**);
Henry Northwood Millner (**1960 - []**)
Lew Poxon []
Julie Whitby [1993]

NOTES

It was originally known as the PRINCE ALBERT. [1872]
Its name was changed to PRINCE OF WALES. [1885]
Its name was changed back to PRINCE ALBERT. [1953]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Moor Street

- [1] *William Law* (38), widower, puddler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Binsley* (58), mother, widow, housekeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Thomas Law* (11), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [4] *John William Law* (11), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [5] *Edwin Law* (6), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Pheobe Millership* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Mary Law, beer retailer, Moor Street. [1872]

1881 Census

79, Moor Street

- [1] *William Beasley* (40), publican and fitter, born Warwick;
- [2] *Elizabeth Beasley* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Beasley* (18), daughter, press(?) girl (glass), born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Beasley* (15), son, safe maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Jane Beasley* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Charles Beasley* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Rose Beasley* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Ellen Beasley* (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Thomas Beasley* (1), son, born West Bromwich:

Samuel Hale, beer retailer, 79, Moor Street. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

79, Moor Street

- [1] *Samuel Hale* (53), publican, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Sarah Hale* (47), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Lizzie Hale* (20), daughter, barmaid, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Carry Harvey* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Samuel Hale died in 1893.

Mrs. Sarah Hale, beer retailer, 79, Moor Street. [1896], [1900], [1908], [1912]

1901 Census

Moor Street

- [1] *Sarah Hale* (59), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Elizabeth Cottrell* (30), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Samuel Cottrell* (6), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Herbert Cottrell* (5), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Thomas Howell* (34), boarder, brewer, born Wednesbury;
- [6] *Selina Mouse* (15), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Louisa Jones* (28), visitor, musical artist, birthplace not known:

Mrs. Sarah Hale, beer retailer, 79, Moor Street, and shopkeeper, 95, Arthur Street. [1904]

1911 Census

79, Moor Street

- [1] Sarah Hale (69), widow, licensed victualler, born Oldbury;
- [2] Elizabeth Cottrell (40), daughter, widow, assistant in public house, born Oldbury;
- [3] Samuel Cottrell (16), grandson, safe maker, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Bertrand Cottrell (15), grandson, compositor, printing works, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Louisa Jones (39), niece, barmaid, born Hovelthlon Aspring, Durham;
- [6] Florence Wooton (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Alfred Phillips was married to Winnifred Emma.
He died in 1930.

John Absalom Robins – see also GOLDEN CUP.

Samuel Hadley – check also FRIAR PARK, Wednesbury.

A full license was granted on 7th February 1952, and confirmed on 15th April 1952.

Howard Heath – check also JOLLY COLLIER, Tipton.

[2008]

Demolished [2012]



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2008



1997

PRINCE ALBERT

101, Sams Lane / Horton Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Margaret Morris
Samuel Woodhall Ltd.
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1938]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Morris [1857] – [1865]
Charles Dutton [] – **1868**;
Thomas Morris **(1868 – 1869)**;
Mrs. Margaret Morris **(1869 – [1873])**
John Beasley [1881]
Thomas Hill [1884] – [1888]
John Beasley [1888] – [1889]
Samuel Woodhall [1889] – **1894**;
William Beasley **(1894 – 1897)**;
Walter John Sealey **(1897 – 1901)**;
Mrs. Emma Ann Sealey **(1901 – 1903)**;
Thomas Hill **(1903 – 1910)**;
Harry Shirley **(1910 – 1923)**;
Arthur Wakeman **(1923 – 1935)**;
Anthony Miller **(1935 – 1937)**;
Albert Beardsley **(1937 – 1938)**;
Arthur Fitzpatrick **(1938)**;
Joseph Harold Looms **(1938 – 1958)**;
William Ashley 'Bill' Mauldridge **(1958 – [])**
Dave A Lambert [1993]



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NOTES

PRINCE ALBERT'S ARMS [1861], [1869], [1888], [1892], [1896]
PRINCE ALBERT ARMS [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912]

Brierley Hill Advertiser 12/12/1857

“On Wednesday morning last, about nine o'clock, another of those fearful accidents, which are of too frequent occurrence in the neighbourhood, took place at Bullocks Farm Colliery, in the occupation of Mr. Davies, of Spon Lane by which a man, named James Webb, lost his life. It appears that the engine driver who has had charge of the boiler, was absent on account of ill health, and that the engine, &c, were under the immediate care of the head engineer, James Ray, and that Webb was assisting at the engine when the accident occurred. Webb's wife had been with his breakfast, and had just started on her return home, when the explosion took place by which her husband was in an instant deprived of life. The boiler was one of a pair connected together, and was 7ft by 28ft, and had been in work about five years. By the force of the explosion one end of the boiler was torn off and the brick work scattered in all directions. The twin boiler and stacks escaped injury.

An inquest was held on Webb's body on Thursday, before G. H. Hinchcliffe, Esq, at Mr. *Morris's* PRINCE ALBERT's ARMS INN, and a respectable jury. The Government Inspector, J. Brough, Esq, was present during the inquiry. Several witnesses were examined; but nothing was elicited as to the immediate cause of the explosion,

although it was suggested that the blow-out pipe had become leaky and had run the water out of the boiler, which becoming heated, and cold water being pumped in, had caused the accident. Mr. Brough has made, and is still engaged in making, examinations as to the cause of the explosion, and the inquest was adjourned to Wednesday evening next. Webb was about 35 years of age, and has left a widow and one child.”

Thomas Morris, beer retailer, Sams Lane. [1858]

Charles Dutton was also an engineer. [1868]

1871 Census

Sams Lane

- [1] *Margaret Morris* (60), widow, victualler, born Crofton, Shropshire;
- [2] *James Morris* (24), son, grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Charles Francis* (11), nephew, visitor, born Burwarton, Shropshire;
- [4] *Thomas M. Dutton* (4), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Adams* (27), niece, visitor, born Burwarton, Shropshire;
- [6] *Elizabeth Duncan* (13), general servant, born Coventry:

An inquest was held here, in August 1877, on *John Thomas Chatterton*, aged 6, who had drowned in a well.

1881 Census

101, Sams Lane – public house

- [1] *John Beasley* (40), licensed victualler (PRINCE ALBERT), born Warwickshire;
- [2] *Sarah Beasley* (38), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Benjamin Beasley* (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Beasley* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sophia Beasley* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Nelley Beasley* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Clara Beasley* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Agnes Beasley* (2), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [9] *Mary Williams* (17), servant, born Oldbury;
- [10] *James Hawkes* (35), servant, born West Bromwich:

John Beasley = *John Beesley*

William Beasley was fined 10s and costs, on 21st May 1894, for being drunk on his own licensed premises.

Walter John Sealey was married to *Emma Ann*.

Henry Shirley = *Henry Sherley*

Anthony Miller – check also INKERMANN COTTAGE.

Arthur Fitzpatrick – check also OLD BELL.

Bill Mauldridge was married to *Edie*.

[2014]



2014

PRINCE OF WALES

130, High Street / George Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Clement Cottrill
Alfred Cottrill
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Enterprise Inns

LICENSEES

Clement Cottrill [1868] – 1885);
Alfred Cottrill (1885 – 1889);
Thomas Whateley (1889 – 1890);
George William Morris (1890 – 1891);
Henry Woodhall (1891 – 1892);
Ellen Woodhall (1892 – 1894);
William Franks (1894 – 1897);
John Groom (1897 – 1899);
Rose (Smith) Holden (1899);
Edwin Holden (1899);
Thomas Green (1899 – 1902);
Thomas Wood Richards (1902 – 1904);
Mrs. Rebecca Richards (1904 – 1905);
George Averill (1905);
William Albert Purslow (1905 – 1906);
Alfred Day (1906 – 1910);
Albert Samuel Brown (1910 – 1916);
Mary Brown (1916 – 1919);
Albert Samuel Brown (1919 – 1924);
Herbert Shayler (1924 – 1928);
George Emmanuel Tillotson (1928 – 1946);
Harold Francis Devey (1946 – 1955);
Alfred Povey (1955 – []
John Bonas (1967 – 1985)
Carol Morris [1988]
Noreen Marcia Riley [1992]
Robert Molloy [1993]
Mark Parkes []
Rajinder Singh [2012]

NOTES

George Street [1873]

It had a beerhouse license.



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Advert 1988

Clement Cottrill, beer retailer, High Street. [1870]

1871 Census

George Street – PRINCE OF WALES

- [1] *Clement Cottrill* (55), publican, beerhouse, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Fanny Cottrill* (55), wife, born Ashby, Warwickshire;
- [3] *Elizabeth Ashton* (26), daughter, boarder, general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Nelley Ashton* (4), daughter, scholar, born Birmingham:

1881 Census

130, High Street – PRINCE OF WALES INN

- [1] *Clement Cottrill* (64), widower, publican (beer retailer), born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth H. Ashton* (34), daughter, married, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Helen Ashton* (14), granddaughter, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Elizabeth Trass* (?) (39), visitor, born Chester:

Alfred Cottrill, beer retailer, 130, High Street. [1888]

Henry Woodhall = Henry Woodall

Henry Woodall, beer retailer, 130, High Street. [1892]

William Franks, beer retailer, 130, High Street. [1896]

Rose Smith married *Holden* in 1899.

Edwin Holden, beer retailer, 130, High Street. [1900]

1901 Census

130, High Street

- [1] *Thomas Green* (35), holloware moulder and public house manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Matilda Green* (31), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alice Green* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur Green* (6), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Thomas Green* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah Worley* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Richards, beer retailer, 130, High Street. [1904]

Thomas Wood Richards was married to *Rebecca*.
He died in 1904.

Alfred Day, beer retailer, 130, High Street. [1908]

1911 Census

130, High Street

- [1] *Albert Sanuel Brown* (35), publican, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Mary Brown* (41), wife, assists in business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Alfred Charles Cottrell* (17), son, timekeeper, clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Cottrell* (16), daughter, assists in business, born West Bromwich:

Albert Brown, beer retailer, 130, High Street. [1912]
Check also LODGE TAVERN.

Harold Francis Devey – check also NAGS HEAD, Tipton.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

John Bonas died in March 1985.

Mark Parkes – see also WHEELWRIGHTS ARMS, Netherton.

[2014]



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2014



1996

PRINCE OF WALES

73, John Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Baugh, Wednesbury
Mrs. Baugh, Church Street, West Bromwich
Thomas Alexander Sadler
Windsor Castle Brewery, Oldbury
Thomas Downing
Grigg and Brettell Ltd.

LICENSEES

Aaron Baggott [1861] – 1871);
John Bagnall (1871 – 1874);
Mrs. Elizabeth Bagnall (1874 – 1875);
Edwin Bagnall (1875 – 1878);
John Howells (1878);
Edward James Wilson (1878 – 1883);
John Harris (1883 – 1884);
Ezekiel Cartwright (1884 – []
Thomas Downing [1896] – 1925);
James Thomas Powell (1925 – 1928);
Arthur Elijah Ellis (1928 – 1929);
Ernest Walker (1929 – 1930);
Frank Smith (1930 – 1932);
Charles Poxon (1932 – 1935);
Alfred Blakemore (1935 – 1937);
Albert Henry Lowe (1937 – 1951);
Mrs. Beatrice Betsy Lowe (1951 – 1954);
Charles Stephen Eccles (1954 – 1955);
James Richard Lloyd (1955 – 1957);
Matilda Jones (1957 – 1960);
Frederick Cartwright (1960 – []

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Aaron Baggott, beer retailer, Carters Green. [1861]

John Bagnall, beer retailer, John Street. [1872]
He was married to *Elizabeth*.

1881 Census

73, John Street

[1] *Edward Wilson* (62), brass turner, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Caroline Wilson* (60), wife, born Wednesbury;

[3] *Joseph J. Wilson* (24), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Henry A. Wilson* (21), son, draper's clerk and cashier, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Downing was fined 20s and costs, on 29th June 1896, for suffering gaming on two occasions.

1901 Census

73, John Street

[1] *Thomas Downing* (47), brewer and publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Elizabeth Downing* (47), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Downing* (45), brother, blind, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Downing, beer retailer, 73, John Street. [1904]

1911 Census

73, John Street

[1] *Thomas Downing* (58), widower, brewer, born West Bromwich;

[2] *William Downing* (55), brother, assisting in business, blind, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Elizabeth Carter* (26), born West Bromwich;

[4] *Eliza Carter* (9), visitor, school, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Thomas Carter Downing* (4 months), born West Bromwich:

Alfred Blakemore was fined £5 and £5 special costs, on 15th March 1937, for supplying intoxicating liquor otherwise than during permitted hours.

Albert Henry Lowe was married to *Beatrice Betsy*.

He died in 1951.

Charles Stephen Eccles – see also GOLDEN CROSS.

PRINCE OF WALES

34, Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Thornton, near Old Church, West Bromwich
Thomas Yates, Perry Barr
Frederick Birch, Great Barr
Samuel Woodhall Ltd.

LICENSEES

James Filton [] - **1879**);
William Hawkins (**1879 - 1894**);
Mrs. Helen Hawkins (**1894 - 1899**);
Henry Hawkins [1901]
Mrs. Selina Hawkins (**1899 - 1910**);
Sylvia Gould (**1910 - 1912**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

William Hawkins = William Hawkes

1881 Census

34, Paradise Street – PRINCE OF WALES

- [1] *William Hawkins* (52), coach smith and beer seller, born West Bromwich;
 - [2] Ellen Hawkins (46), wife, born Northfield, Worcestershire;
 - [3] Henry Hawkins (16), son, coach smith, born West Bromwich;
 - [4] George Hawkins (15), son, coach smith, born West Bromwich;
 - [5] Joseph Hawkins (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
 - [6] Sarah Hawkins (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:
- [Ellen was probably Helen.]

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/8/1881

“*William Hawkins*, landlord of the PRINCE OF WALES, Paradise Street, was summoned for opening his house for the sale of intoxicants during prohibited hours. PC Bishop said on the 24th ult he was concealed near defendant’s premises and saw a man named Hall go up and give money to defendant, who took it saying, ‘That’s for a quart.’ Defendant then fetched the jug of ale produced. Defendant pleaded that he gave the ale to Hall, but did not receive any money.

The magistrates inflicted a fine of £2 and costs.

George Hall was then charged with being on the above licensed premises during prohibited hours. The case was dismissed on payment of costs.”

William Hawkins, beer retailer and coach wrench maker, 34, Paradise Street. [1888], [1889], [1892]

1891 Census

34, Paradis Street

- [1] *William Hawkins* (62), coachsmith and publican, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Helen Hawkins* (55), wife, born Kings Norton;
- [3] *Henry Hawkins* (26), son, whitesmith, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Hawkins* (25), son, blacksmith, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Hawkins* (22), son, coachsmith, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah Hawkins* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Florence Jones* (15), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

William Hawkins died in 1894.

Helen Hawkins = *Ellen Hawkins*

Mrs. *Helen Hawkins*, beer retailer, 34, Paradise Street. [1896], [1900]

1901 Census

34, Paradise Street – PRINCE OF WALES INN

- [1] *Henry Hawkins* (36), beerhouse keeper, birthplace not known;
- [2] *Selina Hawkins* (34), wife, birthplace not known;
- [3] *Lily Hawkins* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Henry Hawkins* (5), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Doris Hawkins* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. *Selina Hawkins*, beer retailer, 34, Paradise Street. [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

34, Paradise Street

- [1] *Sylvia Gould* (62), widow, licensed holder, born Wood Green;
- [2] *Sarah Gould* (32), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Frank Steventon* (35), boarder, decorator, born West Bromwich:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 7th March 1912.
The license was extinguished on 24th December 1912.

QUEENS HEAD

101, (21), Church Lane / Small Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Hannah Basnett
William Blencowe and Co. Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Enterprise Inns [1990's]
Dew Drop Inns [2002], [2008]

LICENSEES

G Perrins []
Mrs. Hannah Basnett [1870] - **1881**);
Mrs. Phoebe Butler (**1881 - 1888**);
William Griffiths (**1888 - 1891**);
George Ward (**1891 - 1892**);
Richard Collett (**1892 - 1895**);
John Baugh (**1895 - 1900**);
William Ferguson (**1900**);
William Howells Harvey (**1900 - 1902**);
William Veitch (**1902**);
William Bickley (**1902 - 1903**);
Benjamin Dunn (**1903 - 1904**);
George Sperring (**1904 - 1912**);
Mrs. Annie Sperring (**1912 - 1915**);
Bert Sperring (**1915 - 1951**);
Mrs. Annie Sperring (**1951**);
William Freeman (**1951 - 1958**);
W R Dean (**1958 - []**)
Dalbir Singh Cooner [1984]
Susan Martin [1992]
Michelle Harrison [2008]

NOTES

21, Church Lane [1888], [1891], [1916], [1921]
101, Church Lane [1990], [1992], [1996], [2002]

It had a beerhouse license.

G. Perrins issued tokens from here.



Hannah Basnett = Hannah Bassnett

1871 Census

Church Lane – QUEENS HEAD

- [1] *Hannah Bassnett* (59), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] William H. Bassnett (10), grandson, born Darlaston;
- [3] Mary K. Lavender (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. *Hannah Basnett*, beer retailer, Church Lane. [1872]

1881 Census

Church Lane – QUEENS HEAD

- [1] *Hannah Bassnett* (69), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Phoebe Butler* (39), widow, daughter, housekeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Phoebe E. Butler* (17), granddaughter, assistant, born Burslem;
- [4] *Edith Annie Butler* (14), granddaughter, scholar, born Burslem;
- [5] *Richard H. Butler* (10), grandson, scholar, born Burslem;
- [6] *Frederic C. Butler* (8), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Arthur W. Butler* (7), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Sarah Harrison* (16), general servant, born Rowley:

Mrs. *Phoebe Butler*, beer retailer, 21, Church Lane. [1888]

1891 Census

21, Church Lane – QUEENS HEAD INN

- [1] *George Ward* (21), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Edith Ward* (21), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Alice Ward* (1), daughter, born Tipton;
- [4] *George Ward* (5 months), son, born Tipton;
- [5] *Agnes Holden* (13), general servant, born Tipton:

George Ward, beer retailer, 21, Church Lane. [1892]

George Baugh – see also STORES.

Richard Collett, beer retailer, 21, Church Lane. [1896]

1901 Census

Back Church Lane – QUEENS HEAD INN

- [1] *William Howells Harvey* (55), publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *Eliza Harvey* (55), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Ada Harvey* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Laura Harvey* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eva Harvey* (16), daughter, dressmaker, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 5/4/1902

“*Thomas Furnival* (56), puddler, of Church Lane, was charged with stealing eight pigeons, value 12s 6d, the property of *William Harvey*, of the QUEENS HEAD beerhouse, Church Lane, during the night of the 1st inst.

Prosecutor said at 10 o'clock on the 1st inst, he saw the pigeons locked up in the pen. The next morning he went to clean them out and then found they had been stolen.

PC Ansell deposed to arresting the prisoner at prosecutor's house, and in reply to the charge he said he took them and loosed them off again when he knew prosecutor was after him.

Prisoner said the pigeons were given to him by *Harvey*.

The Bench dismissed the case.”

Benjamin Dunn, beer retailer, 21, Church Lane. [1904]

George Sperring, beer retailer, Church Lane. [1908]

1911 Census

21, Church Lane

[1] *George Sperring* (54), publican, born Oldbury;

[2] *Annie Sperring* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *George Sperring* (8), son, born Tipton:

Bert Sperring, beer retailer, 21 Church Lane. [1921]

He was married to *Annie*.

He died in 1951.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

[2014]



c. 1986



2014

QUEENS HEAD

35, Great Bridge Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Edward Persehouse, Bank Hall, Liverpool
Samuel Woodhall Ltd.

LICENSEES

Hannah Bird [] – **1892**);
William Beasley (**1892 – 1902**);
Mary Ann Harding (**1902**);
Albert Lawton (**1902 – 1903**);
John Eccleston (**1903 – 1905**);
William Hickox (**1905**);
Frank Naylor (**1905 – 1906**);
Edward Naylor (**1906**);
Harry Snape (**1906 – 1907**);
Walter Jackson (**1907**);
William Henry Marsh (**1907**);
Ellen Mullett (**1907 – 1909**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1901 Census

35, Great Bridge Street – QUEENS HEAD

- [1] *William Beasley* (60), beer retailer, birthplace unknown;
- [2] *Elizabeth Beasley* (57), wife, birthplace unknown;
- [3] *Fred Beasley* (16), son, tube drawer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Nellie Beasley* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Benjamin Beasley* (18), son, tube shortener, born West Bromwich:

William Hickox was fined 10s and costs, on 31st August 1905, for being drunk on his own licensed premises.

John Eccleston, beer retailer, 35, Great Bridge. [1904]

Frank Naylor's license was declared void because he had been convicted of a felony.

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1909.
The license was extinguished on 29th August 1909.

QUEENS HEAD

3, New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mary Bassett
Allsopp and Co. Ltd. [1899]

LICENSEES

Mary Bassett [1881] – **1884**;
Henry Brown (**1884 – 1885**);
George Hackett (**1885 – 1889**);
George West (**1889 – 1892**);
Thomas Henry Neale (**1892 – 1893**);
John Allbrooke (**1893**);
Samuel Wheatley (**1893**);
John Hancox (**1893 – 1895**);
Frederick Jeffries (**1895**);
Joseph Hand (**1895 – 1896**);
Louisa Williams (**1896 – 1901**);
William Cox (**1901**);
George Withers (**1901 – 1903**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

3, New Street – QUEENS HEAD INN

[1] *Mary Bassett* (74), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Brewood;

[2] *Mary A. Smith* (30), niece, companion, born Brewood:

George Hackett, beer retailer, 3, New Street. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

3, New Street

[1] *George West* (42), moulder, born London;

[2] *Hannah West* (40), wife, born Great Bridge;

[3] *Frank West* (18), son, labourer in foundry (brass?), born Great Bridge;

[4] *Elizabeth West* (16), daughter, barmaid, born Great Bridge;

[5] *Arthur West* (14), son, scholar, born Great Bridge;

[6] *Samuel West* (12), son, scholar, born Great Bridge;

[7] *Ernest West* (10), son, scholar, born Great Bridge;

[8] *Theodore West* (5), son, scholar, born Great Bridge:

John Hancox, beer retailer, 3, New Street. [1896]

See also VINE, Paradise Street, and HORSE AND JOCKEY, Hall Street.

1901 Census

3, New Street – QUEENS HEAD

[1] *William Cox* (53), iron moulder, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Elizabeth Cox* (51), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Mary A, Cox* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *May Cox* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich:

George Withers – check also VINE, Paradise Street.

This license was surrendered as from the 7th November 1903, by William Edwin Dempster, upon the grant of a victualler's license to certain premises known as the HAWTHORNS HOTEL, Birmingham Road.

QUEENS HEAD

33, Stoney Lane / Lewisham Street, (33, Lyndon), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Edward Fereday, Stoney Lane, West Bromwich
Charles F. Thompson, Hargate Lane, West Bromwich [1899]
William Bowen Ltd. [1913]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1944]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. (acquired 1951)
Enterprise Inns [2002]

LICENSEES

John Greenfield [1839]
Edward Fereday [1861] – [1872]
Joseph Fereday [] – **1881**;
John Wilson (**1881 – 1884**);
Mrs. Hannah Parkes (**1884 – 1900**);
George Parkes (**1900 – 1918**);
Mrs. Sarah Parkes (**1918 – 1920**);
Dennis Woodhall (**1920 – 1930**);
George John Briscall (**1930 – 1931**);
Josiah James (**1931 – 1954**);
Ivy Irene Dixon (**1954 – 1973**);
William Kenneth Griffiths (**1973 – 1983**);
William Drakesford (**1983 – 1992**);
John Sidney Ernest Lea (**1992 – 1993**);
Cecilia Anne Stapleton (**1993 – 1999**);
Marie Anne Gozeley (**1999 – 2000**);
Raymond William Smallman (**2000 – []**)
Robert L J Leadbeater [2008]

NOTES

33, Lyndon [1881], [1889], [1892], [1896]
33, Stoney Lane [1891], [1904]

QUEENS ARMS [1861], [1870]

It was originally two houses.

It had a beerhouse license.

Edward Fereday = Edward Freday

Edward Fereday, beer retailer, Lyndon. [1861], [1868], [1870], [1872]



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1871 Census

Stoney Lane

- [1] *Edward Fereday* (62), brewer, born Tipton;
- [2] *Mary Ann Fereday* (59), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Phoebe Barker* (18), general servant, born Great Barr:

1881 Census

33, Lyndon

- [1] *John Wilson* (23), unmarried, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Martha Wilson* (50), mother, born Tipton:

1891 Census

33, Stoney Lane

- [1] *Hannah Parkes* (71), widow, publican, born Warwickshire;
- [2] *William Parkes* (40), son, metal pattern maker, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *George Parkes* (29), son, stocking knitter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Parkes* (35), daughter in law, born Buckinghamshire;
- [5] *James Parkes* (15), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Parkes* (6), grandson, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Hannah Parkes, beer retailer, 33, Lyndon [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896]

1901 Census

33, Stoney Lane

- [1] *George Parkes* (39), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Parkes* (38), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary Dean* (32), boarder, stamping machinist, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Hannah Parkes, beer retailer, Stoney Lane. [1904]

George Parkes, beer retailer, Stoney Lane [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

QUEENS HEAD

- [1] *George Parkes* (49), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Parkes* (48), wife, married 11 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ivy Willis* (4), visitor, born Worcester:

George Parkes died in 1918.

Dennis Woodhall – check BRIDGE.

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

Ivy Irene Dixon was married to Albert.

William Kenneth Griffiths – see also ROYAL OAK, Newton Street.

[2008]

Closed [2010], [2011]

Demolished [2014]

RAILWAY

79, Harwood Street, (Guns Lane), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Smith

Samuel and William Smith (exors of John Smith)
William Price, Birmingham Road, West Bromwich
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1909]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

John Smith [] - **1874**);
Samuel Smith (**1874 - 1880**);
Charles Harrison (**1880 - 1886**);
Charles Hemmings (**1886 - 1891**);
Anne (Hemmings) Pope (**1891 - 1893**);
John Skidmore (**1893**);
John Cox (**1893 - 1900**);
Mrs. Mary Cox (**1900 - 1901**);
William Ernest Crockett (**1901 - 1902**);
John Haywood (**1902 - 1904**);
Joseph Lakin (**1904 - 1906**);
Charles Morris (**1906 - 1924**);
Mary Ann Morris (**1924 - 1933**);
Leonard Dodd (**1933 - 1966**)
Alfred Bevin [mid 1960's]
Harriet Bevin [1968]
Peter Perry [1992]
John Hughes [1990's] - [2000's]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

79, Harwood Street

- [1] *Charles Harrison* (54), beer seller, born Marchington, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Harriet Harrison* (67), wife, born Draycott in the Clay, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Ann Campbell* (33), daughter, born Draycott in the Clay, Staffordshire;
- [4] *Charles Colin Campbell* (5), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Robert Watson* (41), nephew, carter, born Burton on Trent:

Charles Hemmings, beer retailer, 79, Harwood Street. [1888], [1892]



Token

1891 Census

79, Harwood Street

- [1] *Charles Hemmings* (35), beerhouse keeper, born Stow on the Wold, Gloucestershire;
- [2] *Anne Hemmings* (42), wife, born Draycott in the Clay, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Charles C. Campbell* (15), stepson, cabinet maker's apprentice, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harry Hemmings* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Annie Hemmings* (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Harriet Harrison* (78), mother in law, widow, living on her own means, born Draycott in the Clay, Staffordshire:

Ann Hemmings married a *Mr. Pope*.

John Cox, beer retailer, 79, Harwood Street. [1896], [1900]

He was married to *Mary*.

He died in 1900.

Charles Morris, beer retailer, 79, Harwood Street. [1908]

He was married to *Mary Ann*.

He died in 1924.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

Leonard Dodd's daughter, *Audrey*, died.

He had a photograph of her, in her coffin, in the bar.

Leonard Dodd was vice-president of the West Bromwich, Smethwick and Oldbury LVA. [1946]

Alfred Bevin was married to *Harriet*.

See also HORSE AND JOCKEY, Hall Street.

It had a successful darts team in the 1970's.

[2014]



c. 1986



2014



1997

RAILWAY

21, St. Michaels Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Downing, Holly Lane, Smethwick
Mrs. Martha Mason, Over Whitacre, Coleshill
J. W. J. Kingstone Ltd. [1927]
Netherton Bottling Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Whiley [] - **1878**);
Samuel Robinson (**1878 - 1879**);
Noah Turner (**1879 - 1888**);
Joseph Clemson (**1888 - 1900**);
Samuel Bayley (**1900**);
John Finnemore (**1900 - 1901**);
James Dicken (**1901 - 1902**);
Alfred Cooper (**1902 - 1912**);
William Arthur Parish (**1912 - 1916**);
Mrs. Alice Parish (**1916 - 1929**);
Ernest Edward Stephens (**1929 - 1931**);
Sydney Waldron (**1931**);
Harry Green (**1931 - 1932**);
Arthur Howell Clewer (**1932 - 1933**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

21, St. Michaels Street

- [1] *Noah Turner* (29), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Ann Turner* (29), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *Elonza Turner* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Frederick James Turner* (5), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Louis Charles Turner* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Harris* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 4/7/1885

“West Bromwich Police Court. Thomas O’Donnell (21), Moor Street, West Bromwich was summoned for being quarrelsome and disorderly on the licensed premises of *Noah Turner*, the RAILWAY INN, refusing to quit and doing willful damage on the 21st defendant came into the house 2 or 3 times on Sunday night last to endeavour to get some beer, but as he had evidently had enough he was refused. On the last occasion the defendant became very quarrelsome and had to be ejected, when he deliberately smashed a piece of glass valued at 2s 6d 2s 6d damages and a fine of 2s 6d for each offence and costs – or 14 days hard labour.”

Joseph Clemson, beer retailer, 21, St. Michaels Street. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900]

1891 Census

21, St. Michaels Street – RAILWAY INN

[1] *Joseph Clemson* (25), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Martha E. Clemson* (24), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Emma Collett* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Samuel Bayley was fined 10s and costs, on 21st June 1900, for being drunk on his own licensed premises.

Alfred Cooper – check also COTTAGE SPRING.

Alfred Cooper, beer retailer, 21, St. Michaels Street. [1908]

West Bromwich Weekly News 18/1/1913

“A poorly dressed man, of foreign aspect, who described himself as *Thomas William Rogers* (38), of no fixed abode, was charged with attempting to obtain 2s 6d, by fraud.

Chief Superintendent *Whitehurst* explained that the man was a stranger to West Bromwich, and on Sunday last he went to the RAILWAY INN, St. Michaels Street, and attempted to pass a base half crown (produced). The proprietor rejected the coin, and the prisoner paid for the beer in coppers.

Superintendent *Whitehurst* asked for a remand, as other witnesses were forthcoming to prove that prisoner attempted to pass the coin at other public houses.

Prisoner here said that he had had it in wages from the Trades Exhibition.

A remand until Thursday was granted.”

William Arthur Parish was fined 20s and £2 19s 6d costs, on 30th January 1913, for supplying intoxicating liquor to a drunken person.

He was married to *Alice*.

He died in 1916.

It was sold at auction on 23rd February 1928 for £3,100.

Harry Green – check also WHITE SWAN.

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 9th March 1933.

The license was extinguished on 30th December 1933.

RAILWAY

35, Tunnel Road, (Castle Street), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Morris, Hill Top, West Bromwich
George Morris, Hill Top, West Bromwich
Mrs. Morris, Hill Top, West Bromwich
Major George Cox (acquired February 1906)
Theodore Crawford, Bloomfield Home Brewery, Tipton [1908]
Home Brewery (Quarry Bank) Ltd. [1909]
Major George Cox, Woodman Inn, Bromsgrove Road, Halesowen [1913]

LICENSEES

John Davis [] - **1871**);
George Henry Parks (**1871** - []
James Whitehouse [] - **1875**);
James Spencer (**1875** - **1877**);
Thomas Stevens (**1877**);
Robert Isaac Smith (**1877** - **1878**);
Thomas Stanworth (**1878**);
Benjamin Harvey (**1878** - **1879**);
John Bach (**1879**);
James Hampton (**1879** - **1897**);
Mrs. Mary Hampton (**1897**);
George Brindley (**1897** - **1898**);
Alfred Cooper (**1898** - **1902**);
William Cooper (**1902** - **1906**);
George Plant (**1906** - **1907**);
James Green (**1907** - **1908**);
James Bloor (**1908** - **1909**);
Thomas Walter Timmins (**1909**);
Elizabeth Ann Timmins (**1909** - **1910**);
Edward Pennington (**1910** - **1911**);
Harry Roberts (**1911** - **1913**);
Bejamin Paul Ludlow (**1913** - **1922**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Wednesbury Herald 12/1/1884

“Mr. E. Hooper, District Coroner, held an inquest at the RAILWAY INN, Tunnel Street, Hill Top, on Saturday, on the body of Benjamin Clinton (83) of 23, Tunnel Road, Hill Top, who had died suddenly. On Wednesday afternoon deceased was left alone from one o’clock until four, when his daughter in law found him dead. A verdict of death from Natural Causes was returned.”

1891 Census

35, Tunnel Road – Public House

- [1] *James Hampton* (47), forge stock taker, manager of public house, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Hampton* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Minnie Hampton* (20), daughter, assistant teacher school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lizzie Hampton* (17), daughter, dressmaker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice Hampton* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Joseph Hampton* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Nellie Hampton* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Albert Hampton* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

James Hampton died in 1897.

William Cooper, beer retailer, 35, Tunnel Road, Hill Top. [1904]

Wednesbury Leader 6/7/1906

“..... Mr. Carter applied for the transfer of the license of the RAILWAY INN, Tunnel Road, Hill Top, from *William Cooper* to *George Plant*. A question of the incoming tenant’s age was raised by the Presiding Magistrate (Mr. J. Field), and some difficulty was experienced with regard to it.

Plant, upon being sworn, said he did not know his age, but he thought he was sixty.

Mr. Field: Are you sixty or seventy?

Applicant said he was a month or two over sixty.

Mr. Field asked the applicant if he could find out his age, and he replied that he had it in his Bible at home.

In answer to Chief Superintendent Whitehurst, applicant said he had had previous experience of a licensed house at Dudley Port, but he had for some time been living in private.

Mr. Field asked applicant if he felt himself equal to keeping a public house.

Applicant: Yes.

Mr Field said it was very desirable that they should know whether the applicant was sixty or seventy years of age, but he apparently did not feel inclined to tell them.

In answer to Mr. Carter applicant said he did not think he was sixty-one yet.

The Bench ultimately granted the application.”

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1921.

The license was extinguished on 24th June 1922.

RED COW

2, (2a), Pikehelve Street, Golds Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Josiah Mason, Golden Orchard, West Bromwich
Mrs. Eliza Mason, Golds Green, West Bromwich
Thomas Rushton, Jervoise Street, West Bromwich
Major George Cox, brewer, Bilston [1902]
Theodore Crawford, Bloomfield Home Brewery, Tipton [1908]
Home Brewery (Quarry Bank) Ltd. (leased) [1909]
Major George Cox (acquired February 1910)
Holt Brewery Co. Ltd. [1910]

LICENSEES

Ann Owen [] - **1871**);
John Richards (**1871 - 1881**);
Thomas Rushton (**1881 - 1883**);
Jonathan Hallard (**1883 - 1884**);
Thomas Jones (**1884 - 1885**);
Thomas James Chadd (**1885 - 1886**);
Edward Jones (**1886 - 1887**);
George Granger (**1887 - 1888**);
George Churchill (**1888**);
Jonathan James Holland (**1888 - 1889**);
Amelia Emery (**1889**);
Emma Ellen Turner (**1889 - 1890**);
Thomas Sparrow (**1890 - 1891**);
George Henry Roden (**1891 - 1892**);
Joseph Adams (**1892 - 1897**);
George Fox (**1897 - 1898**);
Thomas Aspley (**1898 - 1901**);
Harry Wheatley (**1901 - 1902**);
George Brain (**1902 - 1905**);
William Brain (**1905 - 1907**);
John Davis (**1907**);
Herbert Mounfield (**1907 - 1908**);
Charles William Knights (**1908**);
John Thomas Jones (**1908 - 1909**);
Herbert Mounfield (**1909 - 1910**);
John Lewis (**1910 - 1911**):

NOTES

2, Pikehelve Street
2a, Pikehelve Street [1891]

It had a beerhouse license.

1891 Census

2a, Pikehelve Street – RED COW INN

[1] Phylis Roden (63), widow , born Tipton;

[2] *George Roden* (26), son, publican, born Tipton;

[3] Naomi Roden (15), general servant, born Wednesbury:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 10th March 1910.

Chronicle for West Bromwich and Oldbury 11/3/1910

“.....was structurally worse than the ROSE AND CROWN, which was seventy five yards distant.....”

£50 compensation paid.

The license was extinguished on 2nd April 1911.

RED LION

190, All Saints Way, (48, All Saints Road), (48, (34), (17), All Saints Street), Churchfield, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Walter Showell and Sons
Showells Brewery Ltd. [1911]
Ind Coope and Allsopp Ltd. [1935]
Ind Coope Ltd. [1959]
Ansell's Ltd.
Punch Taverns

LICENSEES

Thomas Woodhall [1818]
Sarah Smith [1834] – [1835]
Thomas Brunsdon [1841] – [1842]
Caleb Brunsdon [1845]
William Smith [1849] – [1851]
Joseph Millership [1858]
Amos Moore [1860] – [1861]
William Marsh [1864] – [1865]
Henry Marsh [1868] – [1870]
William Marsh [1871] – [1873]
Thomas Cotterill* [1874] – [1881]
Thomas Cotterell* [1888] – [1889]
Thomas Fullwood [1889] – **1895**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Fullwood (**1895 – 1900**);
William Henry Dalby (**1900 – 1904**);
William Wilson (**1904**);
William Blagburn Williamson (**1904 – 1907**);
Frederick Udall (**1907 – 1909**);
Joseph Partridge (**1909 – 1912**);
William Joseph Moore (**1912 – 1915**);
Charles James Udall (**1915 – 1917**);
Adelaide Gertrude Udall (**1917 – 1919**);
Charles James Udall (**1919 – 1922**);
John Hugh Roberts (**1922 – 1924**);
Howard Ludlow Yates (**1924 – 1932**);
George Thomas Cartwright (**1932 – 1939**);
John Chambers (**1939 – 1940**);
Alfred James Clarke (**1940**);
William Northall (**1940 – 1951**);
Leslie Wanklin (**1951 – 1952**);
Frank George Standen (**1952**);
Ian Macdonald Brown (**1952 – 1953**);
Eric Francis Small (**1953 – 1955**);
John Scott (**1955 – 1958**);
Horace William Powell (**1958 – []**)
Arthur Isherwood [] – **1981**)
Steve Lynex [1994]

NOTES

Churchfield [1849]

All Saints Street [1860], [1868], [1881], [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

17, All Saints Street [1861]

34, All Saints Street [1901]

48, All Saints Street [1912]

48, All Saints Road [1916], [1921]

190, All Saints Way [1983], [1990], [1996]

It was situated close to the church.

Woodhall's Friendly Society met here fortnightly. [1818]

Thomas Brunsdon = Thomas Brunsden

1851 Census

Curchfields – RED LION

[1] William Smith (34), victualler and butcher, born Wednesbury;

[2] Mary Smith (44), wife, born Birmingham;

[3] Richard Smith (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] Mary Pack (18), general servant, born Wednesbury;

[5] Thomas Woodhall (16), servant, errand boy, born West Bromwich:

1861 Census

17, All Saints Street – RED LION Public House

[1] Amos Moore (58), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] Elizabeth Moore (60), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] Mary Ann Smith (18), house servant, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

All Saints Street – RED LION

[1] William Marsh (33), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] Elizabeth Marsh (29), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] Isaiah Marsh (10), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] Elizabeth Marsh (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] Ann Marsh (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[6] Amos Marsh (4), son, born West Bromwich;

[7] William Marsh (2), son, born West Bromwich;

[8] Emma Marsh (1 month), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[9] Charles Gough (35), servant, labourer, born West Bromwich;

[10] Elizabeth Moore (70), widow, servant, born West Bromwich;

[11] Emma Robinson (16), general servant, born Liverpool:

* possibly the same person

Thomas Cotterill = Thomas Cottrell

Midland Counties Evening Express 23/11/1874

“At the West Bromwich Police Court, on Saturday, *Thomas Cotterill*, landlord of the RED LION, West Bromwich, was charged with keeping open during prohibited hours defendant was fined 5s and costs.”

1881 Census

All Saints Street – RED LION

- [1] *Thomas Cottrell* (44), licensed victualler, born Darlaston;
- [2] *Elizabeth Cottrell* (43), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Mary J. Cottrell* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Thomas Cottrell* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Alice Cottrell* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eliza Cottrell* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *George Cottrell* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Olive Cottrell* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *John Cottrell* (5 months), son, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 28/5/1881

“A meeting of miners was held at the RED LION INN, Churchfield, West Bromwich, on Tuesday, to consider the question of the proposed permanent relief fund.

Mr. Henry Barnes, district agent, said the fund was proposed because the Employers’ Liability Act did not give the men all they desired. Miners were thankful for such advantages as it conferred upon them, and were obliged to the gentlemen who were instrumental in its promotion, still it did not meet all requirements. The proposed fund would be of inestimable value to the miners. It was desirable that it should be established and supported by South Staffordshire and East Worcestershire districts combined. Probably it would be the means of augmenting union amongst the mining population. The union of that district had paid £20,000 on account of sickness and death amongst the miners forming it. Referring again to the Employers’ Liability Act, Mr. Barnes contended that the means that measure provided for obtaining compensation were, so far as the men were concerned, defective, inasmuch as miners had not money to prosecute their case or submit to the risk involved in an action in the County Court.

One of the thick coal miners proposed that the section of colliers to which he belonged agreed to pay 1d per week as a contribution to the proposed fund, providing the masters would add to it so much per week as to make the weekly contribution equal to that of the thin coal miners.

Another miner said he quite agreed with the proposition, and thought it would be making a good start on their part when it was considered that hitherto thick coal miners had not paid anything to secure sick pay from the pit.

The resolution was duly seconded and carried. Mr. Barnes instanced several fatal accidents which had occurred lately wherein friends of the deceased would have been beneficially affected by the proposed Permanent Relief Fund. The fund would be one of the best institutions ever advocated in the interests of the miners of South Staffordshire. Replying to a question from a miner, Mr. Barnes said members of the proposed fund would only receive pay in case of sickness arising from accident.”

Thomas Fullwood was fined £5 and costs, on 12th December 1889, for permitting drunkenness. This conviction was reversed on Appeal held at Stafford Quarter Sessions on 8th January 1890. He was married to *Mary Ann*.

Mary Ann Fullwood – see also TURKS HEAD

1901 Census

34, All Saints Street – Tavern

- [1] *William Henry Dalby* (54), licensed victualler, born Lye;
- [2] *Eliza Ann Dalby* (48), wife, born Harts Hill;
- [3] *Jemima Astbury* (19), domestic servant, born Old Hill:

Smethwick Weekly News 24/8/1901

“*Martha Jones* (44), of Cherlemont, Church Vale, was fined 17s, including costs, for refusing to quit the RED LION INN, Church Vale, when requested to do so by the landlord, *William Henry Dalby*, on Saturday night.”

1911 Census

Churchfield – RED LION HOTEL

[1] *Joseph Partridge* (56), widower, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Kelsey* (24), niece, house keeper, born Coseley:

Bilston and Willenhall Times 12/5/1928

“The seventh annual dinner and prize distribution of the West Bromwich Harriers was held on Saturday evening at the RED LION HOTEL, Churchfields, and a considerable number of members and friends enjoyed the substantial repast which was served.....”

Combined Provisional Grant and Ordinary Removal given on 10th March 1938, and confirmed on 13th April 1938.

The Final Order was granted on 5th October 1939, to the new building.

Arthur Isherwood was married to Sheila.

He was born c. 1928.

See also WHEATSHEAF, Rowley Regis.

Steve Lynex played football for West Bromwich Albion and Birmingham City.

It was refurbished in 2012.

[2014]



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RED LION

113, Barracks, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Enoch Dabbs [1881]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

113, Barracks – beerhouse – RED LION

[1] *Enoch Dabbs* (45), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Eleanor Dabbs* (49), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Alfred Dabbs* (22), son, labourer in factory, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Emily Dabbs* (15), daughter, pupil teacher, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Enoch Dabbs* (12), son, born West Bromwich:

RED LION

Moor Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Brooks [1858]
William Farmer [1870]

NOTES

William Brooks, beer retailer, Moore Street. [1858]

Wolverhampton Chronicle 6/1/1858

“Charge of Cock Fighting. *William Brooks*, landlord of the RED LION, Moor Street; James Reeves, a coal carter, residing in Sams Lane; and Edward Wilkinson, living in Oldbury, were summoned by the Chief Superintendent of police on the above charge. *Brooks* being also summoned for keeping a room in his house for the purpose of cock fighting. Mr. Bayley appeared for the defendants. Pc Denston stated that on the 26th December he went, accompanied by two other constables, to the house of *Brooks*, and that when he neared the place he heard a man, who was standing by the door, call to those inside ‘Here’s the police’. Having pushed his way into the house, he went upstairs, and there saw *Brooks* holding a game cock in his hand, Wilkinson having another in a bag. The defendant said they had a bet of £1 as to which bird would show the finest feathers, and upon his telling them that he should report them to the Superintendent for cock fighting, and they fought for a minute or so, after which they were separated. Only the three defendants and Martin were present in the room, but the house downstairs was full of company. Pc Fenner said that he had been shoved down twice on endeavouring to enter the house, and that he observed some money staked on the table, which was withdrawn on the entrance of the police. Mr. Bayley contended that the defendants had simply laid a wager as to which was the finest bird, and that they were no more to blame than the parties who had sent their favourites of the feathered tribe to be exhibited in Bingley Hall. The magistrates considered the charge proved, fined all of the defendants 40s each and costs, and inflicted upon *Brooks* for the second charge against him, a further fine of 50s, including costs, or in default of payment committed them to gaol.”

RED LION

38, Oldbury Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Sarah Ann Baggott (later of Toll End, Tipton)
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1900]

LICENSEES

Ann Posser [] - **1870**);
Mrs. Sarah Ann Baggott (**1870 - 1873**);
Elijah Collins (**1873 - 1886**);
Frederick Goodwin (**1886 - 1887**);
Samuel Wilkes (**1887 - 1888**);
James Holme (**1888 - 1890**);
Phyllis Holme (**1890 - 1893**);
Job Whitehouse (**1893 - 1896**);
John Rigby (**1896 - 1897**);
William Beckett (**1897 - 1898**);
James Davies (**1898 - 1901**);
William Burns (**1901 - 1904**);
Albert Harris (**1904 - 1909**);
Joshua Gill (**1909 - 1912**);
Charles Withers (**1912 - 1913**);
Arthur Hood (**1913**);
Mervyn Arnold (**1913 - 1914**);
Joseph Haynes (**1914 - 1915**);
Frances Haynes (**1915 - 1917**);
Emily Sheldon (**1917 - 1922**);
Joseph Aston (**1922 - 1927**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Mrs. *Sarah Ann Baggott*, beer retailer and shopkeeper. [1872]

1881 Census

38, Oldbury Road

- [1] *Elijah Collins* (48), publican, born Wordsley;
- [2] *Sarah Collins* (48), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *John Collins* (18), son, puddler, iron, born Wordsley;
- [4] *George Collins* (16), son, ironworks, born Stoke Prior, Staffordshire;
- [5] *Thomas Collins* (11), son, born Stoke Prior, Staffordshire;
- [6] *William Collins* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Maria Collins* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;

1891 Census

38, Oldbury Road

- [1] *Phyllis Holme* (36), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Tipton;
- [2] *Joseph Holme* (12), son, scholar, born Tipton;
- [3] *John Holme* (10), son, scholar, born Tipton;
- [4] *Annie Holme* (8), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [5] *Phyllis Holme* (6), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [6] *James Holme* (4), son, scholar, born Tipton;
- [7] *Margaret Holme* (9 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

James Davies was fined £1 and costs, on 11th August 1898, for permitting drunkenness.

1901 Census

38, Oldbury Road

- [1] *James Davies* (43), publican, manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mahalah Davies* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Davies* (13), son, office boy galvanize works, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Beatrice Davies* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Davies* (10), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Florence M. Davies* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Burns, beer retailer, 38, Oldbury Road. [1904]

1911 Census

Oldbury Road – RED LION

- [1] *Joshua Gill* (34), iron worker, hotter down, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ada Gill* (26), wife, born St. Helens;
- [3] *George Dudley Gill* (2½ years), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Stanley Gill* (1 year 5 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Violet Dixon* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1926.
The license was extinguished on 31st May 1927.

RED LION

184, Union Street, (Spon Lane), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Sarah Lones, Union Street (later at Thynne Street), West Bromwich
Joseph Lones, 26, Bagnall Street, West Bromwich
Arthur James Price, High Street, West Bromwich
Messrs. J. A. and A. Thompson, Oldbury [1902]
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1908]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

William Dutton [1858] – [1865]
Frances Watton [1868] – [1870]
James Jeavons [] – **1870**);
Charles Ross (**1870 – 1871**);
Thomas Turner Thomas (**1871 – 1872**);
Elias Lones (**1872 – [1873]**)
Sarah Lones [1881]
William Henry Hollyhead [1888] – **1902**);
William Spooner (**1902**);
Thomas 'Tom' Darby (**1902 – 1906**);
Thomas Slim (**1906 – 1907**);
Herbert Edward Pritchard (**1907 – 1908**);
Peter Churchley (**1908 – 1910**);
James Lane (**1910 – 1911**);
John Bott (**1911 – 1912**);
William Charles Summerhayes (**1912**);
John Garner (**1912 – 1913**);
John Nock (**1913 – 1916**);
Florence Nock (**1916 – 1928**);
John Nock (**1928 – 1933**);
Aquilla Roach (**1933 – 1935**);
Harry Moseley (**1935 – 1944**);
Harry Welch (**1944**);
Albert Green (**1944 – 1953**);
Sydney Beasley (**1953 – []**)
George Muse (**1965 – 1969**);

RED LION INN,

UNION STREET, SPON LANE,
WEST BROMWICH.

MB. TOM DARBY, late of the "Golden Cross," High Street, Smethwick, begs to inform his numerous friends and customers that he has taken to the above house, where he hopes to see old and new faces.

ALES, WINES, SPIRITS AND CIGARS
Of the best quality.

N.B.—Jobbing Hauling done. Building Sand for Sale from the Summit beds.

NOTES

William Dutton, beer retailer, Union Street. [1858], [1861]

1861 Census

Union Street – RED LION

- [1] *William Dutton* (46), retail brewer, iron bundler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Ann Dutton* (43), wife, born Ketly, Shropshire;
- [3] *Ann Dutton* (21), daughter, born Bilston;
- [4] *Elizabeth Dutton* (19), daughter, born Moxley;
- [5] *Susan Jane Dutton* (18), daughter, born Moxley;
- [6] *William Francis Dutton* (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Samuel Frederick Dutton* (11), son, born West Bromwich:

Dudley Herald 31/7/1869

“To be disposed of, the RED LION INN, being an old licensed public house situated in Union Street, Spon Lane, West Bromwich. It is surrounded with works And manufactories and doing a fair trade. The house contains bar, parlour, tap room, smoke room, club room, chambers, malt room, brewhouse, good cellars, stable, piggeries, shed, yard with double gate entrance and garden.....”

1871 Census

The RED LION

- [1] *Thomas Thomas Snr.* (50), publican, born Dudley;
- [2] *Priscilla Thomas* (49), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Thomas Thomas Jr.* (16), son, born Dudley;
- [4] *Kathleen Thomas* (21), daughter, born Erdington;
- [5] *Mary A. Farley* (18), general servant, born Smethwick:

Elias Lones was the brother of *Jabez Lones*, Smethwick’s first mayor.

An inquest was held here in 1874.

1881 Census

Union Street – RED LION INN

- [1] *Sarah Lones* (59), widow, licensed victualler, born Langley Green;
- [2] *Joseph Lones* (22), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary A. Green* (31), domestic servant, born Old Hill:

Smethwick Telephone 23/2/1884

“Inquest on Tuesday [19/2] at RED LION, Union St, Spon Lane upon the body of *Eleanor Westbury* (40) who died suddenly”

- natural causes.

William Hollyhead = *William Holleyhead*

1891 Census

184, Union Street – RED LION

- [1] *William Holleyhead* (34), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary A. Holleyhead* (32), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Ann M. Holleyhead* (12), daughter, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [4] *William H. Holleyhead* (10), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [5] *Gertrude Holleyhead* (7), daughter, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Ernest Holleyhead* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *George Holleyhead* (6 months), son, born Oldbury;
- [8] *Fanny Waterhouse* (20), general servant, born Oldbury:

1901 Census

184, Union Street – RED LION INN

- [1] *William H. Hollyhead* (44), licensed victualler, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary A. Hollyhead* (42), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *William H. Hollyhead* (20), son, assistant brewer, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Gertrude Hollyhead* (17), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [5] *Ernest Hollyhead* (12), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *George Hollyhead* (10), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Bertha Hollyhead* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Lily Hollyhead* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Edith Hollyhead* (4 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 15/2/1902

“Mr. J. S. Sharpe, solicitor, applied for the transfer of the license of the RED LION INN, Union Street, Spon Lane, from *William Spooner* to Messrs. J. A. and A. Thompson, of Oldbury, the owners of the house, and also for a certified copy of the license to be granted to the owners. He explained that the circumstances connected with the application were of a most unusual character. *Spooner* was formerly the manager of the house, but the owners had recently placed another man in the establishment, and wished the license to be transferred to them. *Spooner* was, however, wilfully withholding the license until he was paid a certain sum of money, which he alleged he was entitled to. The Bench granted both applications.....”

William Spooner – check also WAGGON AND HORSES, Spon Lane.

Smethwick Weekly News 29/3/1902 - Advert

“RED LION INN, Union Street, Spon Lane, West Bromwich. / Mr. *Tom Darby*, late of the GOLDEN CROSS, High Street, Smethwick, begs to inform his numerous friends and customers that he has taken to the above house, where he hopes to see old and new faces. / Ales, Wines, Spirits and Cigars (of the best quality) / NB – Jobbing Hauling done. / Building Sand for Sale from the Summit hole.”

Smethwick Weekly News 3/5/1902

“A dinner took place at the RED LION, Union Street, Spon Lane, on Saturday last to inaugurate the new Shooting Club held at this house. About 30 sat down to an excellent repast supplied by the host (Mr. *Tom Darby*). After the removal of the cloth, Mr. A. Leeson occupied the chair, and Mr. N. Williams the vice chair. A capital musical programme was provided.....”

A team from here took part in the Smethwick and District Air-gun League. [1902]

Herbert Edward Pritchard – check also BULLS HEAD, Hawkes Lane.

Peter Churchley – check also STORES, Oldbury.

1911 Census

184, Union Street

- [1] *John Bott* (44), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Augusta Amelia Bott* (47), wife, married 26 years, born Tipton;
- [3] *Lilian Beatrice Bott* (22), daughter, assistant, born Tipton;
- [4] *John Ernest Bott* (20), son, hairdresser, born Tipton;
- [5] *Florence Maud Bott* (16), daughter, assistant, born Tipton;
- [6] *Percy Harold Bott* (13), son, born Tipton;
- [7] *Dorothy Gladys Bott* (12), daughter, born Tipton:

Harry Moseley – see also ANCHOR.

It closed on 15th December 1969, when construction of the ring road was started.

RED LION

Field, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Shaw [1830]

RESERVOIR TAVERN

93, Union Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Abraham Green [1871]
Joseph L Fullwood [1881] – **1899**;
John Banks (**1899 – 1901**);
Samuel Henry Carr (**1901 – 1925**);
James Henry Bate (**1925 – 1934**);
Edward Bate (**1934 – []**)

NOTES

It had a beer and cider license.

1871 Census

Union Street – RESERVOIR TAVERN

- [1] *Abraham Green* (27), turner, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Green* (36), wife, born Smethwick;
- [3] *Joseph Green* (13), son, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [4] *James Green* (8), son, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Anne Maria Green* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Jane Green* (4), daughter, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [7] *Sarah Hannah Green* (2), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [8] *Walter Green* (3 months), son, born Smethwick:

Joseph Fullwood = Joseph Fullford

1881 Census

93 Union Street - RESERVOIR TAVERN

- [1] *Joseph L. Fullwood* (27), publican, born Harts Hill;
- [2] *Emma J. Fullford* (25), wife, born Kates Hill;
- [3] *Ernest Fullford* (2), son, born Smethwick;
- [4] *Esther A. Reeves* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

93, Union Street – RESERVOIR INN

- [1] *Joseph Fullwood* (37), beer retailer, born Dudley;
- [2] *Emma Jane Fullwood* (35), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *Ernest Fullwood* (13), son, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [4] *Clarence Fullwood* (19), son, scholar, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Mary Ann Fullwood* (2), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [6] *Mary Ann Griffiths* (26), servant, born Dudley:

Joseph Fullwood – see also CROWN AND ANCHOR, Smethwick.

These premises prior to 31st March 1898 were in the Parish of Smethwick.

Samuel Henry Carr, beer retailer, 93, Union Street. [1904]

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Dominoes League, South Division. [1946]

The license was surrendered on the grant of a Publican's License to the ROYAL EXCHANGE, Fisher Street in 1957.

RIDGACRE

New Gas Street, Black Lake, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Whitbread Group PLC
Brewers Fayre

LICENSEES

NOTES

It opened in 1997.

[2014]



1997



2014

RING O' BELLS

All Saints Way, (29, (87), All Saints Street), (Tenscore Street), (Church Vale), Churchfield, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Edwards
Mary Ann Edwards
Caroline Edwards
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1929]

LICENSEES

Thomas Edwards [1871] - **1880**);
Mrs. Caroline Edwards (**1880 - 1908**);
Thomas Edwards (**1908 - 1927**);
Wilfred Gordon Stevenson (**1927 - 1929**);
Frederick Cooper (**1929 - 1932**);
Henry Bate (**1932 - 1940**);
Harold David Skelding (**1940 - 1942**);
Megan (Skelding) Reeves (**1942 - 1943**);
Brynmor Davies (**1943 - 1950**);
Thomas McCloud (**1950 - 1952**);
Charles Clifford Fletcher (**1952 - 1955**);
Arther David Selwyn Piggott (**1955 - 1957**);
Arthur Bill Grigg (**1957 - []**)

NOTES

All Saints Street [1888], [1900]
29, All Saints Street [1881], [1891], [1901]
87, All Saints Street [1911]

It was situated next to the animal pound.

It had a beerhouse license.

It was a home brew house.



Old Postcard c. 1910

Black Country Bugle

Letter from H. Bates, West Bromwich

“.....It was an oak beamed low-ceilinged inn of obvious antiquity.”

1871 Census

All Saints Street – RING OF BELLS

- [1] *Thomas Edwards* (43), innkeeper, born Ladbury Green, Warwickshire;
- [2] *Caroline Edwards* (43), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Thomas Edwards* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Timmins* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

29, All Saints Street

- [1] *Caroline Edwards* (53), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Thomas Edwards* (18), son, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Charlotte Millington* (13), general servant, born Bradley, Derbyshire:

Mrs. Caroline Edwards, beer retailer, All Saints Street. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1904]

1891 Census

29, All Saints Street – RING OF BELLS

- [1] *Caroline Edwards* (63), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Mary Haywood* (22), general servant, born Dudley:

1901 Census

29, All Saints Street – RING OF BELLS

- [1] *Caroline Edwards* (73), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Julia Powers* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Phoebe Jones* (15), barmaid, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 22/9/1900

“Mr. J. S. Sharpe supported an application made by Mrs. Caroline Edwards, of the RING-O’-BELLS, Church Vale, for a wine license. He mentioned that Mrs. Edwards had resided at the inn about 40 years, and he had no hesitation in saying that it was one of the best conducted houses in West Bromwich. The house was extensively patronized by cyclists in the summer months. He pointed out that Messrs. Showells, who opposed the application on previous occasions (they having a licensed house in the locality) now refrained from offering opposition, and in a letter Mr. C. Showell expressed the hope that Mrs. Edwards would be successful in obtaining the license. He handed to the Bench a memorial signed by 140 persons, including five doctors – whom he said ought to possess some knowledge as to the requirements of the people of that neighbourhood – two clergymen, two church-wardens, two justices of the peace, several councillors, and the Mayor elect of the borough.

Mr. Huff opposed the application on behalf of the British Women’s Temperance Association. He said the ladies of that association had the highest respect for Mrs. Edwards, but they felt they must oppose the application on principle. The Bench refused the application.”

1911 Census

87, All Saints Street

- [1] *Thomas Edwards* (48), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Edwards* (48), wife, married 20 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Emily Woolley* (26), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Eliza Clark* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Edwards was married to *Mary Ann*.

Wilfred Gordon Stevenson – check also IVY BUSH, Smethwick.

Megan Skelding married a Mr. Reeves in December 1942.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

Thomas McCloud died in 1952.

Closed

It was demolished in February 1971.

RISING SUN

7, Barton Street / Moor Street, (51, Richard Street South), Old End, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Cashmore, Victoria Street, West Bromwich
Richard Roberts
George Thompson, maltsters, Dudley
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.
Avebury Taverns [1998], [2002]

LICENSEES

Eliza Roberts []
Richard Roberts [] - **1879**);
Sarah Roberts (**1879 - 1886**);
Henry Cracknell (**1886 - 1891**);
William Bayley (**1891 - 1892**);
Azariah Jones (**1892 - 1893**);
George Evans (**1893 - 1897**);
George Satchwell (**1897 - 1899**);
Thomas Green (**1899**);
Frank Lester (**1899 - 1902**);
William Veitch (**1902**);
Mrs. Annie Powell (**1902 - 1906**);
David Hayes (**1906 - 1907**);
Miss Annie Garbett (**1907**);
James Hale (**1907 - 1908**);
Ann Bullock (**1908 - 1909**);
Frank Walters (**1909**);
Albert Harris (**1909 - 1911**);
Robert Turner (**1911 - 1913**);
William Williams Bullock (**1913 - 1914**);
Thomas Keyes (**1914 - 1916**);
Thomas Samuel Weaver (**1916**);
Emma Bishop (**1916 - 1922**);
Alfred Macefield (**1922 - 1923**);
John McNulty (**1923 - 1925**);
Reginald Moses Asherton (**1925 - 1928**);
Benjamin Green (**1928 - 1930**);
George Alfred Merrall (**1930**);
William Tansley (**1930 - 1931**);
Albert Henry Barnett (**1931 - 1935**);
Albert Henry Bywater (**1935 - 1936**);
Frederick Harold Darby (**1936**);
Herbert Leslie Bishop (**1936 - 1938**);
Richard Winsper (**1938 - 1949**);
Leslie Ferguson (**1949 - 1954**);
Moses Alphnsas Smith (**1954 - 1957**);
Arthur Evans (**1957 - 1958**);
Stanley Frederick Church (**1958 - 1960**);
George Benjamin Round (**1960 - []**)

Ivan Hall [1992]
Canice Lanigan [1993]

NOTES

1+51, Barton Street [1881]
51, Richard Street South [1901]
7, Barton Street

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

1+51, Barton Street
[1] Sarah Roberts (59), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;
[2] Eliza Roberts (32), daughter, milliner, born West Bromwich;
[3] Eliza Evans (8), grandchild, scholar, born Pensnett;
[4] Ruth Moore (79), mother in law, widow, laundress, born West Bromwich;
[5] Jane Jones (22), domestic servant, born Sedgley:

Henry Cracknell was fined 10s and costs, on 2nd January 1890, for supplying a constable when on duty.

Midland Sun 15/4/1893

“At the West Bromwich Police Court on Monday before Mr. Neville (stipendiary), *George Evans*, landlord of the RISING SUN INN, West Bromwich, was charged with being drunk and incapable on his own licensed premises on the 3rd inst.

Police constable Wood stated that he visited the RISING SUN at 10pm on the 3rd, and found defendant under the influence of drink. At 19.50 on the same evening he again saw defendant who was carrying a jug of beer from the bar to the taproom. He was so drunk that he staggered around across the floor and the officer asked him if it was all right. Wood replied, ‘No you are drunk’. Upon this the defendant explained his determination of testing the officer’s veracity at the station., and accordingly proceeded there in company with about a dozen people who were in the house at the time.

Police constable Cartwright described seeing defendant on his way hence, about 11.50, when he had to be assisted by a friend. I was drunk, but not incapable of looking after my business.
Fined 10s and costs.”

George Evans was fined 20s and costs, on 9th July 1896, for permitting drunkenness.

1901 Census

51, Richard Street South – RISING SUN INN
[1] Frank Lester (33), publican, born Pensnett;
[2] Ada Lester (23), wife, born West Bromwich:

Frank Lester was fined £4 and costs, on 28th April 1902, for two cases of permitting gaming.

Mrs. *Annie Powell*, beer retailer, 7, Barton Street. [1904]

Albert Henry Barnett was fined £4 4s 0d and £6 6s 0d special costs, on 4th March 1935, for supplying one Thomas Rushton on 16th February 1935 intoxicating liquor otherwise than during permitted hours.

Herbert Leslie Bishop – check also WHITE SWAN, Oldbury.

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

Moses Alphonsas Smith – check also LEOPARD.

Richard Winsper – see also NAGS HEAD.

A full license was granted on 14th October 1965.

It had a bowling club. [1983]

[2002]

Closed [2005], [2011]

It was demolished in 2012.



1986



2008

RISING SUN

Oldbury Road, Greet Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Whitehouse, Princes End, Tipton

LICENSEES

Benjamin Cox [] - **1871**);
Edward Jackson (**1871 - 1874**);
Edward Booth (**1874 - []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Oldbury Road

- [1] *Benjamin Cox* (59), coal miner, born Shropshire;
- [2] *Sarah Cox* (56), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *Esaw Cox* (21), son, coal miner, born Bloxwich;
- [4] *Frank Cox* (20), son, coal miner, born Bloxwich;
- [5] *Noah Cox* (17), son, coal miner, born Bloxwich;
- [6] *Ann Cox* (16), daughter, scholar, born Bloxwich:

ROEBUCK

Carters Lane, (Black Lake), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Brown
Mrs. Brown [1858]

LICENSEES

Thomas Brown **(1834 – [1851])**
Thomas Siddons [1858]

NOTES

Thomas Brown was also a farmer. [1845], [1849], [1850]

Wolverhampton Chronicle 28/7/1858

“Mrs. *Brown* owner of the ROEBUCK INN, West Bromwich, received £300 for damages occurred to her through mining activities of Mr. Robson erected in 1834 by her late husband.....”

An inquest held was here in 1870.

ROEBUCK

91, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Matthew Milliner [] - **1871**);
Samuel Lawton (**1871 - 1872**);
George Cakebread (**1872** - [1873]
Stephen Kick [] - **1879**);
Joseph Sheldon (**1879 - 1880**);
William Bradford (**1880 - 1881**);
Benjamin Ward (**1881 - 1883**);
Frederick Midwinter (**1883 - 1889**);
Emma Anne Midwinter (**1889 - 1890**);
John Gould (**1890 - 1901**);
Mrs. Sylvia Gould (**1901 - 1907**);
Thomas Skidmore (**1907 - 1909**);

NOTES

OLD ROEBUCK

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

High Street – The ROEBUCK

- [1] *Samuel Lawton* (49), glass flattener, born Bilston;
- [2] *Grace Lawton* (50), wife, born Dover,
- [3] *Harry V. Squire* (20), son, glass packer, born Brighton;
- [4] *Mary A. Skidmore* (16), general servant, born Dudley:

George Cakebread = *George Cakbrado* = *George Cakebrade*

Dudley Herald 20/12/1873

George Cakebread was fined £5 and costs for permitting drunkenness.

1881 Census

91, High Street

- [1] *William Bradford* (30), engine fitter, born Leamington;
- [2] *Eliza Bradford* (30), wife, born Leicester;
- [3] *Alfred Bradford* (8), son, scholar, born Leicester;
- [4] *Kate Bradford* (7), daughter, scholar, born Leicester;
- [5] *William Bradford* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eliza Bradford* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

91, High Street – ROEBUCK INN

- [1] *John Gould* (44), coal miner and beer retailer, born Tipton;
- [2] *Sylvia Gould* (41), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Arthur Gould* (21), son, axle grinder, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Amy Gould* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Gould* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

91, High Street

- [1] *John Gould* (54), publican, retired miner, born Tipton;
- [2] *Sylvia Gould* (50), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Sarah M. Gould* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich:

John Gould died in 1901.

Mrs. *Sylvia Goulde*, beer retailer, 91, High Street. [1904]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 12th March 1908.

The license renewal was refused on 23rd June 1908.

The license was extinguished on 27th April 1909.

ROEBUCK

133, (131), New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mary Webb c/o Mr. Martin, house agent, High Street, West Bromwich [1872]
William Price, West Bromwich
Exors. of William Price [1899]
Arthur James Price, Lewisham Brewery, West Bromwich
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1909], [1914]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

Joseph Llewelyn [1870] - **1877**);
Mrs. Maria Llewelyn (**1877 - 1887**);
Thomas Smith (**1887 - 1898**);
William Williams (**1898 - 1901**);
James Stanton (**1901 - 1906**);
Alfred Burns (**1906 - 1907**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Page (**1907 - 1922**);
Albert Joseph Gibbs (**1922 - 1944**);
Harold Fortnam (**1944 - 1954**);
Thomas Henry Parton (**1954 - 1958**);
Benjamin Hamblett (**1958 - []**)

NOTES

131, New Street [1881], [1888], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904], [1908], [1916], [1921]
133, New Street [1911]

It was originally called the STAG.

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Llewelyn, beer retailer, New Street. [1870]

1871 Census

New Street

- [1] *Joseph Llewelyn* (41), retail brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Maria Llewelyn* (40), wife, born Moxley;
- [3] *Harriet Llewelyn* (16), daughter, born Walsall;
- [4] *Joseph W. Llewelyn* (5), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Amy Llewelyn* (10 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

131, New Street – ROEBUCK INN

- [1] *Maria Llewelyn* (50), widow, retail brewer, born Moxley;
- [2] *Harriet Llewelyn* (25), daughter, born Walsall;
- [3] *Joseph Walter Llewelyn* (15), son, holloware caster, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Amy Llewelyn* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Smith, beer retailer, 131, New Street. [1888], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

131. New Street – ROEBUCK INN

- [1] *Thomas Smith* (37), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Phoebe A. Smith* (35), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Kate Jukes* (33), sister in law, unmarried, born Tipton;
- [4] *Florry Smith* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Smith was fined 20s and costs, on 26th November 1891, for permitting drunkenness. This conviction was reversed on Appeal at the Borough Quarter Sessions on 15th January 1892.

William Williams, beer retailer, 131, New Street. [1900]

1901 Census

131, New Street – The ROEBUCK

- [1] *James Stanton* (39), beerhouse keeper, born Smethwick;
- [2] *Lucy H. Stanton* (40), wife, born Walsall;
- [3] *Joseph J. Stanton* (15), son, plumber's apprentice, born Walsall:

Smethwick Weekly News 9/3/1901

“On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Lyon Clark (Deputy Coroner) held an inquest at West Bromwich Law Courts, concerning the death of William James Bate (20), a spring maker, formerly lodging at 2a, Pitt Street, West Bromwich, whose dead body was found in a field near Stone Cross, early on Monday morning last.

Mary Stanley said deceased had lodged with her about four years. His parents were dead. He worked at Messrs. Griffin and Wilson's, in Overend Street, West Bromwich. He was of a very quiet disposition and was fond of reading penny dreadfuls. He left home on Sunday night about eight o'clock and did not return. Witness could not account for him being in the locality of Stone Cross. He was in regular employment. She had never heard him threaten to commit suicide.

Frederick Harris, of Guns Lane, West Bromwich, a pattern maker, said he had known deceased about four months. He last saw him alive at 9.40 on Sunday night, at the bottom of New Street. Witness saw him go into the SANDWELL HOTEL. They had previously had two pints of ale at the ROEBUCK INN, New Street. Witness had never seen the revolver (produced) in deceased's possession. He was aware that Bate was in the habit of reading cheap novels, but deceased never referred to them in his conversation.

William Burkett, residing at Hall End, West Bromwich, stated that he was proceeding to work about 6 o'clock on Monday morning, when he discovered the body of deceased lying beneath the hedge of a field situated between Charlemont Hall and Stone Cross. A revolver lay close to the side of the body. Witness expressed the opinion that deceased shot himself through the head while lying on the ground.

PC Beardsmore deposed to receiving information of the affair, and accompanying the last witness to the place where the body lay. A six-chambered revolver lay close to deceased's right hand, and witness found some cartridges in his pockets, and also at his lodgings. There was a wound near to the right temple, which witness thought to be self-inflicted. Nobody seemed to know that he possessed the revolver or the cartridges.

The Deputy Coroner, in summing up, remarked that it was possible that deceased's mind had become unhinged by reading that pernicious and frightful literature, which unfortunately was too much in vogue.

The jury returned a verdict of Suicide whilst in a state of unsound mind.”

Smethwick Weekly News 12/10/1901

“ROEBUCK Cricket Club. On Thursday night the first annual dinner and smoking concert under the auspices of the above club was held at the headquarters, the ROEBUCK HOTEL, New Street, there being a good attendance of members and friends. A splendid repast was laid upon the tables by the well-known host (Mr. *Jim Stanton*), formerly captain of the West Bromwich Albion FC, and afterwards the proceedings were of a convivial character. It was mentioned that the club had a fairly successful season, some very good matches having been played, while the organisation was on a sound financial basis.”

James Stanton, beer retailer, 131, New Street. [1904]
See also DOG AND DUCK.

Mrs. Elizabeth Page, beer retailer, 131, New Street. [1908], [1916], [1921]

1911 Census

133, New Street

[1] *Elizabeth Page* (62), widow, license holder, born Pleck;

[2] *Emily Florence Page* (33), daughter, born Hanley;

[3] *Mary Alice Page* (29), daughter, born Hanley;

[4] *Henry Albert Page* (25), son, motorman, born Hanley:

Harold Fortnam – check also WELLINGTON, Tipton.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

Thomas Henry Parton – check also ANCHOR, Spon Lane.

Benjamin Hamblett – check also COTTAGE SPRING.

ROEBUCK

184, (106), (104), Old Meeting Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Phillips
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1894]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Elizabeth Brown [1860]
Joshua Bayley [1861] - **1871**);
John Bassnet (**1871** - [1873]
George Pearsall [1888] - **1889**);
William Phillips (**1889** - **1893**);
Sabina Mary Phillips (**1893** - **1894**);
Charles Henry Birch (**1894**);
George Bertram (**1894** - **1903**);
Frederick James Partridge (**1903**);
Matthew Thomas Dowell (**1903** - **1906**);
William Maybury (**1906** - **1909**);
William Williams (**1909** - **1913**);
Elizabeth (Williams) Finnemore (**1913** - **1915**);
George Callaghan (**1915** - **1923**);
Mrs. Martha Abigail Callaghan (**1923**);
George Alfred Shaw (**1923** - **1930**);
Edward Walter Norris (**1930** - **1947**);
Albert Edward Morton (**1947** - **1952**);
John Cope (**1952** - **1958**);
Jack Sagar (**1958** - []

NOTES

106, Old Meeting Street [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904]
104, Old Meeting Street [1891]
184, Old Meeting Street [1908], [1911], [1912], [1916]

ROEBUCK HOTEL [1900]

Joshua Bayley = Joshua Bailey

1891 Census

104, Old Meeting Street – ROEBUCK INN

- [1] *William Phillips* (33), publican and clerk, born Bilston;
- [2] *Sabina Phillips* (46), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Harold Phillips* (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Walter Phillips* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sabina Phillips* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ethel Phillips* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William Phillips* (4), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Eliza Smith* (45), servant, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Elizabeth Smith* (24), servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 27/1/1900

“*George Bertram*, landlord of the ROEBUCK HOTEL, Old Meeting Street, West Bromwich, was charged with selling a quantity of whisky on December 6th, which upon being analysed, was discovered to be 38.64 degrees under proof The Stipendiary, after perusing the new Act, said the proceedings were illegal and the Corporation under the circumstances were unable to amend the summons. He had no alternative than to dismiss the case.”

1901 Census

106. Old Meeting Street

- [1] *George Bertram* (48), publican, born Stamford, Lincolnshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Bertram* (42), wife, born Colwich, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Elsie Deakin* (12), niece, born Cannock;
- [4] *George Mason* (19), barman, born Shelfield:

George Bertram was a committee member of the West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers' Association. [1902]

1911 Census

184, Old Meeting Street – ROEBUCK INN

- [1] *William Williams* (41), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Williams* (43), wife, married 20 years, born Wednesfield;
- [3] *Elsie Williams* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Stanley Williams* (4), son, born Wednesfield;
- [5] *Fanny Edwards* (18), domestic servant, born Cosley [sic]:

Elizabeth Williams married a Mr. Finnemore in 1913.

George Callaghan was married to *Martha Abigail*.
He died in 1923.

Jack Sagar – check also ROYAL EXCHANGE.

[1983]

ROEBUCK

56, Roebuck Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Walton
Arthur James Price, Lewisham Brewery, West Bromwich [1892]
Holder's Brewery Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

William Walton [1864] - **1892**);
Thomas Headley (**1892 - 1898**);
John Rogers (**1898 - 1900**);
John Oliver Webb (**1900 - 1902**);
Mrs. Alice Maud (Webb) Kerr (**1902 - 1905**);
Thomas Allen Lunn (**1905 - 1907**);
Styles Willis (**1907 - 1908**);
John Smith (**1908 - 1911**);
Leonard Charles Chapman (**1911 - 1923**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

William Walton, beer retailer, Roebuck Lane. [1864]

1881 Census

56, Roebuck Lane
[1] *William Walton* (72), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
[2] Ann Walton (57), wife, born Shropshire;
[3] Elizabeth Lee (63), relative, widow, born Shropshire:

Wednesbury Herald 5/11/1881

“At the West Bromwich Police Court, on Saturday, before Messrs. J. A. Kenrick and W. S. Harding (magistrates), William Berry (17), Ault Street, Spon Lane, labourer, was charged with stealing 1s 6d from a till in the house of *William Walton*, beerhouse keeper, Roebuck Lane, on the previous day. Prisoner was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.”

1891 Census

56, Roebuck Street
[1] *William Walton* (82), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
[2] Ann Walton (68), wife, born Melverley, Shropshire;
[3] Elizabeth Lee (75), relation, widow, born Melverley, Shropshire:

Thomas Headley = Thomas Hadley

John Oliver Webb was married to *Alice Maud*.
He died in 1902.

1911 Census

Roebuck Lane – ROEBUCK INN

[1] *Leonard C. Chapman* (32), licensed victualler, born Wolverhampton;

[2] *Bertha M. Chapman* (40), wife, married less than one year, born Dawley, Shropshire;

[3] *Elizabeth M. Lavender*, (13), stepdaughter, school, born Dawley, Shropshire;

[4] *Charles R. Lavender* (9), stepson, school, born Dawley, Shropshire;

[5] *Elsie Guy* (17), housemaid, born Tettonhall;

[6] *William Deakikn* (49), servant, general labourer, born Lawley, Shropshire:

The license was removed to premises situated at Birmingham Road, known as the THREE MILE OAK.
These premises were closed on 4th July 1923.

ROEBUCK +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

It was situated adjacent to Bunn's Field, the West Bromwich Albion ground.
The Albion players changed here. [1881/1882]

ROSE

Oldbury Lane, Roway, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Brooks [1841] – [1842]

Job Brooks [1845] – [1851]

NOTES

Check ROWAY

Job Brooks was also a blacksmith. [1845]

He was also described as being a shoeing and blacksmith. [1849], [1850]

1851 Census

Oldbury Lane

[1] *Job Brooks* (47), victualler, born Tipton;

[2] Ann Brooks (44), wife, born Melbas, Worcestershire;

[3] Job Brooks (4), son, born Greet Green;

[4] Sarah Turley (13) servant, born Sedgley;

[5] Ann Mills (16), servant, born Whitehaven, Cumberland;

[6] Ann Ruth Miles (29), visitor, annuitant, born Cheltenham:

ROSE AND CROWN

27, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green, (Golds Hill), (Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Charles Marsden
Thomas Butler, Wolverhampton
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Haywood [] - **1875**);
Isaiah Titley (**1875 - 1880**);
Andrew Law (**1880 - 1881**);
Charles Marsden (**1881 - 1888**);
John Thompson (**1888 - 1894**);
Henry Portsmouth (**1894 - 1897**);
Mary Ann Tilley (**1897**);
William Hewitt (**1897 - 1902**);
William Harris (**1902 - 1908**);
George Alfred Buffy (**1908 - 1910**);
Joseph Dunn (**1910**);
John Croft (**1910 - 1912**);
Alice Price (**1912 - 1920**);
Joshua Sillitoe (**1920 - 1923**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Sillitoe (**1923 - 1927**);
Jessie Sophia Maud Meir (**1927 - 1933**);
John Dunne (**1933 - 1935**);
Sidney Cooper (**1935 - 1936**);
Leslie William Rhodes (**1936 - 1937**);
David Proctor (**1937 - 1938**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Wednesbury Herald 4/9/1880

“Gideon Burgess, of Hill Top, was charged with being drunk, and refusing to quit the ROSE AND CROWN INN, Gold’s Green. The landlord (*Andrew Law*), said the defendant, when requested to leave, refused to do so. Fined 5s and costs or 14 days.”

Charles Marsden, beer retailer, 27, Pikehelve Street. [1888]

1891 Census

27, Pikehelve Street – ROSE AND CROWN

- [1] *John Thompson* (52), copper refiner, born Swiford, Somersetshire;
- [2] *Betsy Thompson* (54), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Clara Thompson* (28), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Phoebe Thompson* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Arthur Thompson* (10), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Lily Thompson* (5), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;

John Thompson, beer retailer, 27, Pikehelve Steet. [1892]

Henry Portsmouth, beer retailer, 27, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green. [1896]

William Smith, beer retailer, 27, Pikehelve Street. [1900]

William Haris, beer retailer, 27, Pikehelve Street. [1904]

1911 Census

27, Pike Helve Street

[1] *John Croft* (49), beerhouse keeper, born Willenhall;

[2] *Elizabeth Croft* (50), wife, married 26 years, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Ada Smith* (19), general servant, born Golds Hill:

Alice Price remarried *George Talbot*.

Joshua Sillitoe was married to *Elizabeth*.

He died in 1923.

The license was renewed on 8th March 1923 on condition that the gate or door at the rear of the building leading to the towing path shall be closed except for domestic purposes.

Jessie Sophia Maud Meir – see also STAR AND GARTER.

Leslie William Rhodes – see also BIRD IN HAND.

These premises were to be surrendered on the Final Order for the Ordinary Removal of the GOLDEN LION, Witton Lane to premises in Hall Green Road.

The license was, in fact, surrendered and the premises closed on 28th April 1938.

ROSE IN JUNE

2, Long Square, (Rydding Square), Witton Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Benjamin Fones, Hawkes Lane, West Bromwich
Samuel Woodhall Ltd. [1906]

LICENSEES

Richard Quill [1881] – **1882**);
Mrs. Mary Quill (**1882 – 1884**);
William Hammond (**1884 – 1907**):

NOTES

It had a beer and cider license.

1881 Census

2, Long Square, Witton Lane – ROSE IN JUNE

[1] *Richard Quill* (42), beerhouse keeper, born Stockingford, Warwickshire;

[2] *Mary Quill* (45), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Nancy Stanton* (15), general servant, born Worcestershire:

William Hammond, beer retailer, Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1904]
He died c. 1950.

Wednesbury Leader 23/11/1906

“.....The average trade during the last three years had been 198 barrels per annum and 139 dozen of bottled beer. He considered the figure [£1,870] they applied for was a very moderate one.”

[The case was adjourned so a sub-committee could determine the Compensation.]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 8th March 1906.

The license renewal was refused on 26th June 1906.

The license was extinguished on 25th March 1907.

ROWAY

222, (140), Oldbury Road, (Oldbury Lane), (Albion), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Ann Bamford, New Street, West Bromwich
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

James Brookes [1851]
Richard Sandall [1860] – [1861]
Job Brookes [1864] – [1873]
Ann Brooks [1876]
Samuel Bamford [1881]
Allan John Bamford [1888]
John Allen [1889] – **1891**;
Mrs. Maria Allen **(1891 – 1893)**;
William Clift Barratt **(1893 – 1902)**;
William David Barratt **(1902 – 1905)**;
Charles Adams **(1905 – 1911)**;
Fred Cox **(1911 – 1921)**;
Richard Alfred Byland **(1921 – 1923)**;
Percy Sanders **(1923 – 1933)**;
Albert Brookes **(1933 – 1940)**;
Mrs. Edith Brookes **(1940 – 1956)**;
Albert Booker **(1956 – 1966)**;

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Oldbury Lane [1851], [1861]
Oldbury Road [1868]
140, Oldbury Road [1881], [1888]
222, Oldbury Road [1872], [1892], [1896], [1901], [1904], [1912], [1916]

ROWAY TAVERN [1851]
ROWAY INN [1860], [1892], [1916], [1921]

It was situated near Albion Railway Station. [1867]

1881 Census

140, Oldbury Road

- [1] *Samuel Bamford* (45), unmarried, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Ann Bamford (43), sister, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Elizabeth Rutter (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Alice Rutter (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 9/2/1901

“*William Clift Barratt*, landlord of the ROWAY INN, Oldbury Road, West Bromwich, was summoned at the instance of the Inland Revenue authorities for placing water in a spirit cask, on 14th of December.

Mr. R. Hawkins, of Somerset House, prosecuted, and Mr. James Clark appeared for the defence.

Evidence was given by Mr. B. O’Brien (Inland Revenue Supervisor) to the effect that on the date named he examined several casks in the yard at defendant’s premises. One he found to contain liquor which defendant said was rain water, but afterwards he admitted that he had put water into the cask for the purposes of extracting any spirit which might be soaked in the wood of the barrel.

Mr. Clark, for the defence, said the cask belonged to defendant, and he did not think he was breaking the law by putting water into it. He admitted that his client had received a communication from the Inland Revenue authorities, but he pointed out, amidst laughter, that lawyers, let alone laymen, were often flabbergasted by the Revenue authorities.

Defendant was fined £5 without costs.”

1901 Census

222, Oldbury Road

[1] *William C. Barratt* (55), widower, licensed victualler, born Tipton;

[2] *William D. Barratt* (20), son, cycle and gun factor’s clerk, born Wolverhampton;

[3] *Louisa C. Barratt* (18), daughter, born Wolverhampton;

[4] *John H. Barratt* (15), son, butcher, born Wolverhampton;

[5] *William Barnes* (36), barman, born Dudley;

[6] *Lucy A. Roper* (22), housemaid, born Nottingham:

Smethwick Weekly News 14/12/1901

“On Monday evening an inquest was led by Mr. James Clark (Borough Coroner) at the VULCAN INN, Oldbury Road, Greets Green, concerning the death of *William Clift Barratt* (57), licensee of the ROWAY INN, Albion, who died under peculiar circumstances on Friday night, the 6th inst.

William David Barratt, son of deceased, stated that his father had not enjoyed very good health during the past few years. On Friday night, November 29th, he came home in a trap, accompanied by Mr. Johnson and Mr. Lowe. Witness could see he had had drink, and was unable to speak for a time. Suddenly, however, he seemed to wake up and said he wanted to go to ‘roost’, meaning that he wished to go to bed.

The Coroner: Did he tell you how he came by the injury to his leg?

Witness: No, I don’t think he knew what had really happened.

Did he have his faculties afterwards?

Yes, two or three days after the occurrence. He said he did not know how he came by the injury.

Witness, continuing, said about five or six minutes after he returned home on the night in question he tried to get his father up to bed. He could not use his legs, and witness noticed some moisture on the floor. This led him to examine deceased’s legs, when on one of them he found a wound, while his trousers had also been torn. Witness thereupon sent for Dr. Allen. Witness did not know the two men (Johnson and Lowe) to be friends of his father. His father was not insured.

In reply to the foreman of the jury (Mr. Richards), witness said he did not see his father until he had been brought out of the trap into the house.

Joseph Lowe was next called into the room, and the Coroner said it was his duty to inform him that he need not give evidence unless he wished to do so, inasmuch that in connection with *Barratt’s* death something might have happened in which he (Lowe) took an interest and would be consequently involved.

Lowe intimated that he would prefer to give evidence, whereupon he was sworn. He stated that he was a breeze dealer and general haulier, and resided at Chapel Farm, Smethwick. He did not know Mr. *Barratt*, the deceased, and so far as his knowledge went had never seen him until the day in question, when witness and a friend named Johnson visited the ROWAY INN, Albion, formerly kept by the deceased. They drove there in a trap. They had something to drink, and subsequently Mr. Johnson mentioned that he wished to go to Dudley, whereupon Mr. *Barratt* said he would like to go with them. Witness, who was the owner of the pony and trap, offered no objection, and they all three started for Dudley about six o’clock in the evening. They drove to the CASTLE HOTEL, Dudley, first, where Johnson and witness had a glass of mild and bitter beer, but witness was unable to say what *Barratt* had. They did not stay there many minutes, and on leaving *Barratt* asked them to go with him to his brother’s public house [possibly the SWAN] opposite the CASTLE HOTEL. They did so, had another drink, and left deceased there.

Witness and Johnson then went about their business, and did not see *Barratt* again till about 9.30 the same night. They drove back to the CASTLE HOTEL, and witness went across to the public house opposite, where they had previously left deceased, and found him still there and under the influence of drink. *Barratt* insisted on being supplied with another drink, and the barmaid allowed him to have one. After he had drunk it witness caught hold of deceased's arm to assist him across to the CASTLE HOTEL yard, where the pony and trap was standing. As soon as *Barratt* got into the fresh air he seemed to lose the use of his legs, and witness asked a gentleman to hold him up while he fetched Mr. Johnson out of the hotel. They had to almost carry *Barratt* across the road, and they laid him across the bottom of the trap, his head being put to rest on a rug. He lay on his side, and his legs hung out of the other side of the vehicle. Witness had charge of the reins, and Mr. Johnson sat on his left.

The Coroner: Did *Barratt* move at all?

Witness: He moved when about half way between Dudley and his home.

Did you hear him cry out at all? No, sir, he only moved his body about.

You mean to say he got rather restless while in the trap?

Yes, sir.

When you started back from Dudley were his legs away from the wheel?

Yes, sir.

Where did you first notice him move?

By the BLUE BALL, Tividale.

Then till you reached there he never manifested any signs that anything wrong was happening?

No, sir. Continuing, witness said they pulled up at *Barratt's* house and got him into the sitting room. They then saw that a portion of his trousers was torn.

By the Coroner: They did not know they were torn until they had returned to the house. A doctor was then sent for. Witness did not see the actual injury to deceased's leg until the doctor arrived.

The Coroner: Did it not occur to you that the wheel of the trap might injure the man in the position you placed him?

Witness: No, sir. We could see his legs were clear of the wheel until we got into Oldbury Lane, where it was so dark that you could not see your hand before you.

By the Foreman: Deceased was put into the vehicle quite safe.

Was he injured at all in being got into the trap? Asked the foreman, witness replying that he was not.

William Johnson, breeze dealer, etc, of 46, Crocketts Lane, Handsworth, said the previous witness and himself called at the ROWAY INN, Albion, about three o'clock in the afternoon of November 29th. About six o'clock they drove to Dudley. Mr. *Barratt* accompanying them. Witness believed the latter had whisky at the CASTLE HOTEL, though he could not say for certain. Witness corroborated the evidence of Lowe with reference to visiting another public house kept by the deceased's brother, to leaving *Barratt* there, and to assisting him out about 9.30. He was helplessly drunk. Witness got into the trap first, caught hold of deceased's arms, and pulled him in. He was laid in front of the vehicle, his head being on the driving side and his legs extended over the other end. Deceased lay on his side. When driving through the Duck Hole witness noticed *Barratt* move, and he seemed to put his foot further down.

The Coroner: When he was first put into that position were his legs away from the wheel?

Witness: Oh, yes!

Witness added that he did not observe that *Barratt's* position in the vehicle had altered until they came by the gasworks. His left leg was on top of the right leg, and appeared to be further out of the trap. Witness did not notice that his leg was in contact with the wheel of the vehicle. There was no skotch on the wheel, and witness did not notice anything to effect its freedom in the least. When they got him out of the trap at his home they found that his trousers had been worn through, the wheel evidently having been grinding against his leg. The cloth was worn quite through, and an examination showed that the flesh had been cut also. When they started from Dudley witness and Lowe were careful to see that deceased's legs did not touch the wheel of the trap. Witness was of opinion that the wheel did not come in contact with deceased until they reached the BLUE BALL at Tividale. They could see from the light of the street lamps that his legs were clear of the wheel until they reached the BLUE BALL, the road afterwards being very dark. There was only one lamp on the trap, that being on the driving side, while deceased's legs were on the other side. Witness never heard *Barratt* cry out at all.

Dr. William Allen, of Great Bridge, stated that he was summoned to the ROWAY INN, Albion, late on Friday night, the 12th inst. He saw Mr. *Barratt*, who was in a very intoxicated condition. The two witnesses, Lowe and Johnson, were also present. Both were sober. Upon examining deceased's right leg he found a contused lacerated wound on the lower part of the thigh, which contained pieces of cloth, and other foreign matter. The wound was one which would be likely to be caused by constant rubbing against a wheel of a trap. Deceased expired on the Friday following, the 6th inst, at seven o'clock. The cause of death was blood poisoning supervening the injury to the leg.

Witness attended him every day up to the time of his death. He knew *Barratt* very well, having previously attended him. He was a fairly healthy man, but had of late been a heavy drinker.

The Coroner summed up at considerable length. The circumstances of the case, he remarked, were most peculiar and unusual; in fact, he had never had such an extraordinary case to inquire into before. Should the jury be of opinion that the two men, Johnson and Lowe, who having taken charge of a helpless man had been so grossly and culpably negligent in the way they dealt with him, then the case would amount to one of manslaughter against them; but if, on the other hand, they felt that the two men in question had done their best they could with the deceased man under the circumstances, then they would be free from blame. It was a similar case to a person taking charge of a baby who could not look after itself. He asked them to form their verdict simply on the evidence given before them that afternoon. It was an important matter. Personally, he was of opinion that Lowe and Johnson did not act utterly regardless as to the safety of the man, and after examining the vehicle in question he failed to see what more they could have done. Could they have put deceased in the vehicle in a different way, and so secure his safety? Personally, he could not see how they could have done so.

The jury, after consulting together in private, returned a verdict of Accidental Death and exonerated Johnson and Lowe from any blame in the matter. The foreman, on behalf of the jury expressed sympathy with the relatives of the deceased.

The funeral of the late Mr. *William C. Barratt* took place on Tuesday afternoon at the Uplands Cemetery, Smethwick.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 3/5/1902

“On Saturday evening a dinner generously given by Mr. Frank Jones, tailor, High Street, to the members of his clothing club took place at the ROWAY INN, Albion. There was a numerous attendance a capital smoking concert followed.....”

William C. Barratt – see also SANDWELL, and HALFWAY HOUSE, Smethwick.

1911 Census

Oldbury Road – ROWAY INN

- [1] *Charles Adams* (45), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Leah Adams* (49), wife, married 17 years, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph William Hale* (29), stepson, coach builder, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Reginald Wood Hale* (26), stepson, clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Neale* (19), potman, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Leah Maude Sheldon* (22), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Mary Wall* (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Fred Cox was fined £1 and costs, on 7th March 1918, for permitting beer for consumption off the premises to be taken from the premises at 9.20pm on the 26th February.

Albert Brookes was married to *Edith*.
He died in 1939.

It closed on 31st December 1966.

ROYAL EXCHANGE

84, (70), Bromford Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Pessall, Tipton
Samuel Jones
Ann Jones, 19, Littleton Street, West Bromwich
Thomas Cottrell
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. (leased) (acquired c. 1926)
Enterprise Inns [2002]

LICENSEES

Samuel Jones [1871] – **1882**);
Mrs. Ann Jones (**1882 – 1883**);
James Lyman (**1883 – 1888**);
Robert Davies (**1888 – 1890**);
Thomas Cottrell (**1890 – 1897**);
George Cottrell (**1897 – 1906**);
Mrs. Sarah Maria Cottrell (**1906 – 1908**);
George Valentine Turton (**1908 – 1909**);
Alfred Richard Woodhall (**1909 – 1931**);
Mrs. Martha Jane Woodhall (**1931 – 1944**);
William George Durrant (**1944 – 1954**);
George Joseph Hawkins (**1954 – 1957**);
Raymond Christopher Hickman (**1957 – 1959**);
Frederick Taylor (**1959 – []**)
A Burford [1983]
Phil Dale [1992]
John Lea [1993]

NOTES

70, Bromford Lane [1881], [1891]
84, Bromford Lane [1901], [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Bromford Lane – ROYAL EXCHANGE INN

- [1] *Samuel Jones* (49), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Jones* (35), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Ann Jones* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

70, Bromford Lane

- [1] *Samuel Jones* (58), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Jones* (46), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Jones* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harriet Aston* (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:



1997



2014

James Lyman, beer retailer, 70, Bromford Lane. [1888]

James Lyman was secretary of the West Bromwich, Smethwick, Handsworth, and District Retail Brewers, Beer and Wine Trade, Protection and Benevolent Society. He was the brother of John. (See VINE)

Thomas Cottrell = Thomas Cotterell

1891 Census

70, Bromford Lane – ROYAL EXCHANGE

- [1] *Thomas Cotterell* (54), publican, born Darlaston;
- [2] *Elizabeth Cotterell* (53), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Thomas Cotterell* (22), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Alice Cotterell* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Cotterell* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Olive Cotterell* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *John Cotterell* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Cottrell, beer retailer, 84, Bromford Lane. [1892], [1896]

George Cottrell, beer retailer, 70, Bromford Lane. [1900]

1901 Census

84, Bromford Lane

- [1] *George Cottrell* (25), brewer and public house keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Cottrell* (24), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Fred Robson* (30), servant, general labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lydia Newell* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 21/9/1901

“West Bromwich Adjourned Licensing Sessions were held on Thursday He [Mr. Field] mentioned that the licensing justices noticed that Mr. *Cottrell*, of the ROYAL EXCHANGE INN, Bromford Lane, had ‘penny in the slot’ machines on his premises, a thing which the Bench strongly deprecated, and they advised him to do away with them.”

Smethwick Weekly News 12/10/1901

“On Thursday evening a capital smoker took place in the large assembly room of the ROYAL EXCHANGE, Bromford Lane, when a large gathering congregated to listen to the talent provided.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 12/10/1901

“Wanted, at once, good Pianist for ROYAL EXCHANGE, *Cottrell*, Bromford Lane, West Bromwich.”

Smethwick Weekly News 1/3/1902

“A dinner was held in the large assembly room of the ROYAL EXCHANGE, Bromford Lane, on Saturday evening last, when an excellent repast was provided by Mr. and Mrs. *George Cottrell*. After the removal of the cloth, Mr. J. Palmer occupied the chair, and during the evening music and songs were given by friends. At the conclusion a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the host and hostess.”

Smethwick Weekly News 18/10/1902

“The first of a weekly series of smoking concerts took place on Thursday evening at Mr. *Cotterell*’s ROYAL EXCHANGE, Bromford Lane, when a large company assembled to enjoy the programme, which was well filled with good artistes.....”

George Cottrell, beer retailer, 84, Bromford Lane. [1904]

He was married to *Sarah Maria*.

He died in 1906.

Wednesbury Leader 3/8/1906

“*Sarah Maria Cotterill*, widow, licensee of the ROYAL EXCHANGE INN, Bromford Lane, was charged with having her premises open during prohibited hours on Sunday, the 22nd of July, and *Sylvanus Stokes*, baker Dudley Road, and *Benjamin Fox*, fruiterer, of Oak Road, were summoned for being on the premises.

Mr. J. S. Sharpe prosecuted, and Mr. A. A. Caddick defended.

Mr. Sharpe explained that the house was open on the date in question some twelve minutes before it ought to have been. The proper time for opening was 12.30, but instead of that customers were being admitted at 12.18. That twelve minutes might seem in an isolated case a trifling matter, but if no notice was taken of it by the police, the whole thing would soon become a mere farce. On the date in question Police sergeant Richards, in company with Police constable Smedley, were in front of the defendant's house at 12.13. They noticed a man walking up and down evidently preparing to go in. At 12.18 the man was admitted and the house began to do business. Others were admitted, and the officers called the defendant's attention to the time, and she seemed to offer no contradiction of the allegations.

Evidence in support of this statement was given, and it was stated that when the officers went into the house the clock in the bar was 12.25.

Mr. Caddick said was a matter of mistaken time.

Stokes said the house was open and he naturally thought they could go in, but when the officers spoke to them they went out.

The Bench fined Mrs. *Cotterill* £2 0s 6d including costs, and they dismissed the cases against *Fox* and *Stokes* upon the payment of the costs, 5s. Mr. Jefferson remarking that had the publican exercised greater care two respectable citizens would not have broken the law. Addressing *Fox* and *Stokes*, Mr. Jefferson said although they may unwittingly have gone into the house seeing it open, it was their duty to obey the law the same as other citizens.

Defendant *Stokes* said he was not aware of that, and he thought when he saw a public house open, he had a perfect right to go in and ask for a drink.

Mr. Jefferson: Yes, within the proper hours, but you have no right to ask for it even though the house is open if it is open during prohibited hours.”

Mrs. *Sarah Cottrell*, beer retailer, 84, Bromford Lane. [1908]

She was fined 10s and £1 10s 6d costs, on 2nd August 1906, for opening during prohibited hours.

1911 Census

84, Bromford Lane

[1] *Alfred Woodhall* (37), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Martha Woodhall* (32), wife, married 5 years, born Coseley;

[3] *Ernest Woodhall* (4), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Sarah Evans* (22), general servant, born Coseley:

Alfred Woodhall, beer retailer, 84, Bromford Lane. [1912]

Alfred Richard Woodhall was married to *Martha Jane*.

He died in 1931.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

[2008]

Closed [2014]

ROYAL EXCHANGE

33, (35), Cape Street, (Grout Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Samuel Dudley

LICENSEES

Samuel Dudley Snr. [1861] - **1877**);
Samuel Dudley Jnr. (**1877 - 1905**);
Edward Dudley (**1905 - 1910**);
Mrs. Emma (Dudley) Smith (**1910 - 1914**):

NOTES

35, Cape Street
33, Cape Street [1888], [1891], [1896], [1900], [1904]

It had a beerhouse license.

It had Dudley's Home Brewed Ales etched windows.

Samuel Dudley (Snr) was originally an engineer. [1851 Census]

1861 Census

Grout Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE

- [1] *Samuel Dudley* (44), publican, born Oldbury;
- [2] Ann Dudley (43), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] Sarah Dudley (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Eliza Dudley (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Samuel Dudley* (17), son, forgerman, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Joseph Dudley (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Elizabeth Dudley (62), grandmother, widow, born Madeley Wood, Shropshire;
- [8] Robert Corbett (14), visitor, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

Cape Street

- [1] *Samuel Dudley* (54), grocer, born Tipton;
- [2] Ann Dudley (53), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Samuel Dudley Junior* (28), son, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Joseph Dudley (21), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Timothy Dudley (11), grandson, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Elizabeth Dudley (9), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Ellen Soughly (15), visitor, born West Bromwich:

Samuel Dudley, beer retailer, Cape Street. [1872]

Samuel Dudley Jnr., beer retailer, 33 Cape Street. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904]

1891 Census

33, Cape Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE INN

- [1] *Samuel Dudley* (46), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Dudley* (29), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Samuel Henry Dudley* (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edward Dudley* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Amelia Dudley* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Lily Eliza Dudley* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

33, Cape Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE INN

- [1] *Samuel Dudley* (57), widower, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann M. Dudley* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lily E. Dudley* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edward Dudley* (22), son, general labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Dudley* (23), daughter in law, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah J. Dudley* (1), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Lily E. Dudley* (1 month), granddaughter, born West Bromwich:

Edward Dudley was married to *Emma*.

1911 Census

Cape Street

- [1] *Emma Dudley* (33), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Rowley;
- [2] *Samuel Darby* (13), son, school, born Tipton;
- [3] *Sarah Jane Dudley* (11), daughter, school, born Tipton;
- [4] *Lily Eliza Dudley* (10), daughter, school, born Tipton;
- [5] *Ann Maria Dudley* (6), daughter, born Tipton;
- [6] *Elizabeth Shearman* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Emma Dudley, beer retailer, 33, Cape Street. [1912]
She married a *Mr. Smith* in 1912.

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 13th March 1913.
The license renewal was refused on 10th June 1913.
The license was extinguished on 31st March 1914.

ROYAL EXCHANGE

Dudley Street, (Dudley Road), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Rogers [1861] – **1871**;
William Letts (**1871** – []

NOTES

Dudley Road [1868], [1871]

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Rogers, beer retailer, Dudley Street. [1861]

1871 Census

Dudley Road

[1] *Joseph Rogers* (65), married, licensed victualler, born Tipton;
[2] *Elizabeth Harris* (40), domestic servant, born Leamington:

Check Cape Street.

ROYAL EXCHANGE

185, Harvills Hawthorn, (135, Golds Green), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Dawes
William Henry Edmunds, High Street, West Bromwich
J. A. and A. Thompson, Oldbury
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

James Tipler [1870]
Joseph Dawes [1872] - **1876**);
James Tipler (**1876 - 1883**);
Edward Ward Jnr. (**1883 - 1887**);
Sarah Bower Ryding (**1887 - 1888**);
Joseph Noad (**1888 - 1895**);
Harry Griffiths (**1895 - 1898**);
Mrs. Jane (Griffiths) Bishop (**1898 - 1900**);
Joseph Jones Snr. (**1900 - 1908**);
Joseph Jones Jnr. (**1908 - 1915**);
Thomas Pargeter (**1915 - 1916**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Pargeter (**1916 - 1920**);
Frank William Davis (**1920 - 1923**);
Charles Harold Barnett (**1923 - 1924**);
Walter Randall (**1924 - 1928**);
Herbert Jones (**1928 - 1929**);
Arthur Care (**1929 - 1932**);
Albert Ashford (**1932 - 1934**);
Frederick Hassall (**1934 - 1939**);
Nancy Leona Jones (**1939 - 1950**);
Frank Raymond Doman (?) (**1950 - 1953**);
John Wallace (**1953 - 1954**);
John Thomas Sowry (**1954**);
Jack Sagar (**1954 - 1958**);
Charles Arthur Scott (**1958 - 1959**);
Stanley Joseph Humpage (**1959 - 1961**);
Albert Lawrence (**1961** - [1962]
Gordon Stevens [] - **1977**)

NOTES

135, Golds Green [1891]
185, Harvills Hawthorn

It was situated opposite Golds Green Primitive Methodist Chapel.

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Dawes, beer retailer, Harvills Hawthorn. [1872]

1881 Census

135, Golds Green – public house – ROYAL EXCHANGE INN

- [1] *James Tipler* (29), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Tipler* (27), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Ann Tipler* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

135, Golds Green – ROYAL EXCHANGE

- [1] *Joseph Noad* (36), beerhouse keeper and haulier, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Catherine Noad* (36), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Noad* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Andrew Noad* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Tom Brown Noad* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Oswall B. Noad* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Robert B. Noad* (2 months), son, born West Bromwich:

Harry Griffiths was married to *Jane*.
He died in 1898.

Jane Griffiths married a *Mr. Bishop* in 1899.

1901 Census

185, Harvills Hawthorn

- [1] *Joseph Jones* (45), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lilena Jones* (51), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Jones* (22), son, boiler maker's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harry Jones* (18), son, boiler maker's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Phillis Jones* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Samuel D. Jones* (12), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ivy M. Jones* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Daisy Jones* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Jones, beer retailer, 185, Harvills Hawthorn. [1904], [1908]

Joseph Jones, beer retailer, 185, Harvills Hawthorn. [1912]

Thomas Pargeter was married to *Mary Ann*.
He died in 1916.

Herbert Jones was fined £1 and costs, on 25th April 1929, for aiding and abetting in the consumption of beer during non-permitted hours.

Jack Sagar – check also ROEBUCK.

Charles Arthur Scott – check also BULLS HEAD.

Stanley Joseph Humpage – check also GOLDEN CUP.

A spirits license was granted on 4th April 1962.

It closed on 8th September 1977.

ROYAL EXCHANGE

50, Temple Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Richard Walters, Temple Street, West Bromwich
Reuben Shaw Batchford
Reuben Henry Shaw Batchford
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]

LICENSEES

Reuben Shaw Batchford [1870] – 1908);
Reuben Henry Shaw Batchford (1908 – 1912);
George Callaghan (1912 – 1914);
Albert Boot (1914 – 1915);
John Norris (1915 – 1916);
William Tickle (1916);
Mrs. Annie Tickle (1916 – 1937);
Aquilla Roach (1937 – 1940);
George Johnson (1940 – 1957);
Harold Ashmore (1957 – []
Malcolm Pearsall [] – 1978):

NOTES

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.

Reuben Shaw Batchford, beer retailer, 50, Temple Street [1870], [1872], [1908]

1881 Census

50, Temple Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE

[1] *Reuben S. Batchford* (53), retail brewer, born Tewkesbury;

[2] Sarah Batchford (61), wife, born Dudley:

1891 Census

50, Temple Street

[1] *Reuben S. Batchford* (63), retail brewer, born Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire;

[2] Eliza Batchford (34), wife, born Smethwick;

[3] Martha Batchford (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Reuben S. Batchford* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] Bertha Batchford (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[6] Elsie Batchford (2 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

50, Temple Street

- [1] *Reuben Batchford* (73), beerhouse keeper, born Tewkesbury;
- [2] *Elizabeth Batchford* (45), wife, born Smethwick;
- [3] *Martha Batchford* (19), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Reuben Batchford* (14), son, grocer's porter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Bertha Batchford* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elsie Batchford* (10), daughter born West Bromwich:

Reuben Henry Batchford, beer retailer, 50, Temple Street. [1904], [1912]

Reuben Henry Shaw Batchford was fined £1 and £5 2s 10d costs, on 17th November 1910, for permitting drunkenness.

1911 Census

50, Temple Street

- [1] *Reuben Batchford* (24), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jennie Batchford* (22), wife, married 3 years, housekeeper, born Stratford on Avon;
- [3] *Reuben Batchford* (1), son, born West Bromwich:

George Callaghan – see also ROEBUCK, and OLD BELL.

William Tickle was married to *Annie*.
He died in 1916.

Aquilla Roach = check also BULLS HEAD, and STAR AND GARTER.

It closed on 25th June 1978.

ROYAL EXCHANGE

82, (80), Walsall Street, (Queen Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Charles Udall Snr. [1851]
Henry Parish, Church Lane, West Bromwich
Showell's Brewery Co. Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp Ltd. [1935]
Ind Coope Ltd. [1959]
Ansell's Ltd.

LICENSEES

Charles Udall Snr. [1851] – [1873]
Henry Colin Hazlewood [1881]
Charles Howland [1888] – **1889**;
Joseph G Rainbow **(1889 – 1893)**;
Mrs. Emma Jane Rainbow **(1893 – 1894)**;
James Page Moore **(1894 – 1897)**;
William Howard Edmunds **(1897 – 1899)**;
Harry Trevanion **(1899 – 1901)**;
John Ratcliffe **(1901 – 1903)**;
George Woodhall **(1903 – 1906)**;
Walter James Osborne **(1906 – 1907)**;
Colin Hazelwood **(1907 – 1909)**;
George Woodhall **(1909 – 1922)**;
Ernest Walter Clark **(1922 – 1928)**;
Samuel John Mullins **(1928 – 1939)**;
Alfred Potter **(1939 – 1941)**;
John Thomson **(1941 – 1942)**;
Thomas George Belcher **(1942 – 1946)**;
William Henry Walker **(1946 – 1950)**;
Richard Davies **(1950 – 1953)**;
Cyril Charles George Carthy **(1953 – 1955)**;
Harry Southan **(1955 – 1958)**;
Arthur Charles Hill **(1958 – 1959)**;
Alfred Edridge Vickers **(1959)**;
George Memetz Sheppard **(1959 – 1960)**;
Bernard Frank Cooper **(1960)**;
Joseph Love **(1960 – [])**

NOTES

Queen Street
Walsall Street [1860], [1912]
80, Walsall Street [1881], [1889], [1901]
82, Walsall Street [1916]

EXCHANGE VAULTS [1895]

ROYAL EXCHANGE VAULTS [1888], [1889], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912], [1916]

ROYAL EXCHANGE AND CONCERT HALL [1872]

THEATRE ROYAL VAULTS [1901]

Charles Udall = Charles Udal

Charles Udall was born in Handsworth circa 1814.

He married Lavinia Wilks (b. Smethwick).

1851 Census

Walsall Street

- [1] *Charles Udall* (36), retail brewer, born Handsworth;
- [2] Lavinia Udall (35), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Charles Udall (12), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Lavinia Udall (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Frederick Udall (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] James Udall (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Joseph Udall (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] John Udall (2), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] George Udall (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] William Udall (6 days), infant, son, born West Bromwich;
- [11] Mary Jeffrey (56), visitor, born Aldridge;
- [12] Martha Parker (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Charles Udall was described as being also a van proprietor. [1860]

He was also described as cab proprietor and goods remover, and funeral carriage proprietor.

Blackcountryman (Spring 1969)

'These Inns Are Out'

"*Charles Udall*, a funeral carriage and car proprietor, was the owner of the ROYAL EXCHANGE in 1851. Four years later he erected a Concert Hall next to the inn. This hall was later known as the Theatre Royal.

Udall's public house was reached from a passage in Queen Street and his home brewed beer was sold for 1½d a pint. One of the helpers at the inn was Old Blind Joe who was also the local knocker-up One of the most interesting customers of 25 years ago was 'Donkey' Bacon, known as the wickedest man in West Bromwich. This character sold coal from a donkey drawn bacon box He was the subject of many practical jokes....."

1871 Census

Walsall Street

- [1] *Charles Udall* (56), licensed victualler, born Handsworth;
- [2] Lavinia Udall (55), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Frederick Udall (27), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] James Udall (24), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] John Udall (22), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Cecilia Wilkes (22), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Mary Fitzpatrick (14), general, servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] John Scoltock (14), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Dudley Herald 8/7/1871

"*Charles Udall* applied for a license to perform stage plays in the ROYAL EXCHANGE Concert Hall, Walsall Street for 18 years licensed to keep a concert hall license granted."

West Bromwich Weekly News 17/4/1875

“On Monday afternoon, an inquest was opened before Mr. Edwin Hooper, at the ROYAL EXCHANGE INN, on the body of a newly born child of Hannah Stephens, a young woman aged 19, who lives with her mother in Park Street. The evidence of the mother, who swore that she had not the least idea that her daughter had been enceinte, was to the effect that on Sunday, at the dinner hour, she noticed her daughter looking very ill. Shortly afterwards she was so weak and exhausted that she had to be assisted to bed, where the dead body of a full grown child was discovered wrapped up in some old carpeting. Some hours after the discovery, Dr. Gerrard was called in, and he informed the police of what had taken place. It was elicited from Mrs. Stephens that about two o’clock on the Sunday morning she heard a strange noise in her daughter’s bedroom.

The Coroner, who thought there were grave reasons for suspicion, adjourned the inquest for a week, so that in the meantime a post mortem examination of the body of the child may be made.”

- The jury’s verdict was that the child died, but how it came to its death, there was no evidence to show.

1881 Census

80, Walsall Street – ROYAL EXCHANGE

- [1] *Henry Colin Hazlewood* (41), licensed victualler, born London;
- [2] *Ruth Hazlewood* (38), wife, actress, born Rotherham;
- [3] *Elizabeth Hazlewood* (16), daughter, scholar, born London;
- [4] *Percy Hazlewood* (14), son, scholar, born London;
- [5] *Gilbert Hazlewood* (8), son, scholar, born Wolverhampton;
- [6] *John Harding* (21), barman, born Leicester;
- [7] *Charles Robert* (17), barman, born Wrexham;
- [8] *Sarah Jane Mill* (22), domestic servant, born Dudley Port:

1891 Census

80, Walsall Street

- [1] *J. G. Rainbow* (50), art theatre proprietor, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Emma Rainbow* (45), wife, actress, born Leicester;
- [3] *Lillie B. Rainbow* (18), daughter, actress, born London;
- [4] *Cecil Breton* (28), servant, actor, born London;
- [5] *Walter Beltrew* (25), visitor, actor, born Exeter;
- [6] *Sarah Hale* (30), barmaid, born Dudley;
- [7] *Jane Cartrwright* (25), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Rachel Powers* (20), domestic servant, born Dudley:

Joseph Rainbow was married to *Emma Jane*.

He died in 1893.

Managers of the Theatre Royal were William Turton Sanders (1878 – 1880); Henry Hazelwood (1880 – 1884); Joseph G. Rainbow (1884 – 1893); Mrs. Rainbow (1893); James Page Moore (1894 – 1895):

The Theatre Royal was destroyed by fire on 9th September 1895. The theatre was gutted and only the walls remained standing.

1901 Census

80, Walsall Street – Hotel – THEATRE ROYAL

- [1] *Harry Trevanion* (42), licensed victualler, born London;
- [2] *Adelaide Trevanion* (33), wife, born Dublin;
- [3] *Emily Udall* (25), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lucy H. Riley* (21), barmaid, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 22/6/1901

“The annual outing to Stonebridge, arranged by Mr. *Harry Trevanion*, of the THEATRE ROYAL VAULTS, took place at the beginning of the week, and was, as usual, a big success. With the exception of one or two showers, the weather was everything that could be desired, and an enjoyable time was spent by those present. The party were photographed before starting by Mr. C. E. Bates, of Carters Green.....”

Smethwick Weekly News 5/10/1901

“On Monday, at the West Bromwich Police Court, before Mr. N. C. A. Neville (Stipendiary), *John Ratcliffe*, licensee of the ROYAL EXCHANGE VAULTS, Walsall Street, West Bromwich, was summoned for keeping open his licensed premises during prohibited hours on September 8th.

James Page Moore, proprietor of the Theatre Royal, West Bromwich, Guy Morville, Frederick Lewis Arthurs, Edward Ashby, George Wybrow, and Lingford Carson, all connected with ‘The Heart of a Hero’ Company, were summoned for being on the premises during illegal hours. A good deal of interest was centred in the case, the Court being well filled by members of the theatrical profession and others.

Mr. James Clark prosecuted on behalf of the police, and Mr. C. H. Darby (Sharpe and Darby) defended.

Inspector Aldridge gave evidence of finding the defendants in the circle bar at 12.10am, and said when he asked the landlord how he accounted for having his premises open at that hour the latter said, ‘I am going by what has been done before. For goodness sake don’t make a case of it.’

Mr. Moore made a statement to the effect that it was half past eleven when he went into the bar, and he had only had a glass of whisky. There was an internal communication between the circle bar and the ROYAL EXCHANGE VAULTS.

Mr. Darby submitted a plan of the premises, drawn by Mr. *Ratcliffe*.

Sergeant Heapey gave corroborative evidence.

Cross-examined by Mr. Darby, he said he understood the scenery etc, was removed from the theatre on Sundays, and not on Saturday nights.

Inspector Sykes was called to prove that the circle bar formed part of the licensed premises.

For the defence, Mr. Darby urged that no drinks were served after eleven o’clock, and that the people in the bar, all of whom were connected with the theatrical business, simply remained to hear Mr. Lingford Carraon recite the plot of his new play entitled, ‘The Drama of Life’ with a view to induce Mr. Moore to back the play. A number of men were engaged removing scenery out of the theatre, and it was necessary for most of the gentlemen found in the bar to stay to see that the work was done properly. He also contended that the circle bar was not part of the licensed area.

Defendant gave evidence, and denied that any drinks were supplied after eleven o’clock. He also gave an emphatic denial to the officer’s statement that he asked them not to make a case of it – on the contrary, he said, ‘let the law take its course’.

Mr. J. P. Moore stated that he did not hear anyone shout police! He declared that no drinks were served after Mr. *Ratcliffe* called time at eleven o’clock.

In reply to Mr. Clark he said the circle bar was not part of the licensed premises, and he did not know by what authority Mr. *Ratcliffe* sold there. He denied telling the police officers that he went into the bar at half past 11 and had only had a glass of whisky. All the glasses except one were empty, and that contained a little drop of stout.

Emily Udall, the barmaid, said that no drinks were served in the circle bar after 11. On the night in question, she simply remained to hear Mr. Carson recite the plot of a new play. It was, she said, ten minutes to 12 when the police put in an appearance.

George Wybrow and Edward Ashby, two professionals, and Mrs. *Ratcliffe* gave evidence, the latter witness, in reply to Mr. Clark, denied moving any of the glasses when the police entered the bar.

The Stipendiary said assuming the circle bar was part of the licensed area, though he did not for a moment believe such to be the case, he was of opinion that the gentlemen found there were there in connection with their theatrical business and met for the purpose of obtaining drink after hours. The police, however, were perfectly right to in investigating the matter. Whether the bar in question was part of the licensed premises was a question for the licensing justices to deal with.

The case against *Ratcliffe* would be dismissed.

The other cases were withdrawn.

The hearing of the case lasted close upon four hours.”

Smethwick Weekly News 30/8/1902

“Mr. C. H. Darby made an application on behalf of Mr. *Ratcliffe*, licensee of the EXCHANGE VAULTS, on the 10th prox. He explained that the occasion was a complimentary benefit to the proprietor of the Theatre Royal (Mr. J. P. Moore). On that date the performance at the theatre would last until 11.30, and the hour’s extension was to enable the public who visited the theatre to obtain refreshments after the usual hour.

There were no objection on the side of the police, and the application was granted.”

An application made for alteration to the scullery and theatre entrances at ROYAL EXCHANGE INN and THEATRE, by Mr. Walter Showell of Edgbaston.

It closed in 1966.

It was demolished in 1967.

ROYAL EXCHANGE +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Daniel Marsh [] - **1871**);
Edward Hickman (**1871** - []

ROYAL EXCHANGE +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Wolverhampton Chronicle 11/8/1858

“On Saturday last, G. H. Hinchcliffe Esq., coroner, held an inquest at the ROYAL EXCHANGE, on the body of Selina Piggott, aged 15 months. On the previous day the mother of the child placed some flour and water in a joul for the purpose of making bread, she then went upstairs leaving the child at the bottom, upon her return to the kitchen she found the deceased head down in the joul and quite dead Accidental death.”

ROYAL GEORGE

Church Vale, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Barton, Penn Park, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

William Albert Rogers [1870] – **1871**);

Abraham Beresford (**1871**);

James Lawley (**1871 – 1873**);

Samuel Baggott (**1873 – 1874**):

NOTES

It had a beer and wine license.

Dudley Herald 6/8/1870

“*William Rogers*, landlord of the ROYAL GEORGE.....”

James Lawley, beer retailer, Church Vale. [1872]

A license transfer was refused on 4th April 1874.

ROYAL OAK

14, Newton Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Richard Smith
William Henry Piper
Samuel Woodhall Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1932]
Enterprise Inns (acquired on 7th September 1996)

LICENSEES

John Marsh [1873] – **1880**);
Richard Smith (**1880 – 1882**);
Samuel Asbury (**1882**);
Charles Thomas Jones (**1882 – 1884**);
Josiah Holden (**1884 – 1885**);
William Henry Piper (**1885 – 1899**);
Thomas Spooner (**1899**);
Alice Fenn (**1899 – 1924**);
Arthur Poynton (**1924 – 1925**);
Joseph Tate Hawley (**1925 – 1926**);
Sarah Ann Rogers (**1926 – 1932**);
Albert Ogden (**1932 – 1954**);
Mrs. Mabel Ogden (**1954 – 1956**);
George Edward England (**1956 – 1971**);
William Kenneth Griffiths (**1971 – 1973**);
Walter Herbert Wilkins (**1973 – 1979**);
William Raymond 'Bill' Tiler (**1979 – 1989**);
William McBay (**1989 – 1992**);
Dawn Ann Darby (**1992**);
David Samuel Maydew (**1992 – 2001**);
John Raymond Smallman (**2001 – []**)
Phil Ruston (**2007 – [2008]**)
Virginia Josephine Ruston [2008] – [2010]



2008



2014

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

John Marsh was fined £1 and 14s 6d costs for being open between 2.30pm and 5pm (a Sunday) on 19th October 1873. The hearing was on 25th October.
He was fined £2 and 13s costs, on 8th April 1876, for permitting gaming on 5th April 1876.

Richard Smith, retailer of beer, Newton Street. [1880]

1881 Census

Newton Street

- [1] *Richard Smith* (43), wood turner and innkeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Smith* (38), wife, born London, Middlesex;
- [3] *Kate Smith* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hannah Smith* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Richard Smith* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Smith* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William Smith* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Edith Smith* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Alice Smith* (1), daughter born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 18/2/1882

“By Mr. J. Field. Important Sale of a Valuable Public House, Garden Ground & Premises known as the ROYAL OAK INN, Newton Street, near the Old Church, West BromwichAll that Valuable Freehold Messuage or Public House, situate in Newton Street, West Bromwich, aforesaid, known as the ROYAL OAK INN, together with the large and valuable Garden Ground adjoining. The said Property comprises Tap Room, Front Parlour, Bar, Back Kitchen, Three good Bedrooms, Two Cellars, Brewhouse, and Pigsty. The frontage to Newton Street is 52 yards, and the total area of the Premises is 943 square yards or thereabouts. The whole is now in the occupation of Mr. *Samuel Asbury*, at the low rental of £20 a year.”

William Henry Piper was fined £5 and costs, on 27th June 1889, for being open during prohibited hours, and £2 and costs for permitting drunkenness.

1891 Census

14, Newton Street – ROYAL OAK

- [1] *William Piper* (62), manufacturer boiler comp[onents?], born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Piper* (52), wife, born Shenstone, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Maud Piper* (18), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [4] *Clara Smith* (14), general servant, born Walsall:

Sarah Ann Rogers – see also MINERS ARMS

A full license was granted on 7th February 1952, and confirmed on 25th April 1952.

Albert Ogden was married to *Mabel*.
He died in 1954.

William Kenneth Griffiths – see also QUEENS HEAD, Stoney Lane.

Phil Ruston was married to *Josie*.

[2014]



ROYAL OAK

Oldbury Road, New Town, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Alfred Kendrick [1861] – [1872]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Alfred Kendrick, beer retailer and plumber, New Town. [1861]

1871 Census

Oldbury Road – ROYAL OAK

[1] *Alfred Kendrick* (41), licensed victualler, born Warwickshire;

[2] *Emma Kendrick* (40), wife, born Staffordshire;

[3] *Hannah Kendrick* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Matilda Kendrick* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *William Round* (75), father in law, widower, no occupation;

[6] *Agnes Round* (21), general servant:

Check Whitehall Road.

ROYAL OAK

261, (216), (113), Whitehall Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Samuel Thompson, maltster, Smethwick
Samuel Thompson and Son, Smethwick
Showells Brewery Co. Ltd. [1920]
Ind Coope and Allsopp Ltd. [1935]
Ind Coope Ltd. [1959]
Ansells Ltd.
Inntrepeneur Estates Ltd.
Courage Ltd.
Alan Wakefield

LICENSEES

Alfred Kendrick [1854] – [1873]
Thomas Clark [1881]
Cornelius Shelton [1888] – [1889]
James Leach [1891] – **1893**;
George Hardy **(1893 – 1896)**;
Thomas Darby **(1896 – 1897)**;
Edwin Poulton **(1897 – 1900)**;
Walter White **(1900)**;
Charles Gray Dore **(1900 – 1902)**;
Hiram French **(1902 – 1910)**;
Henry James Darby **(1910 – 1921)**;
Thomas Charles Henry Lander **(1921 – 1922)**;
Harold Henry Williams **(1922 – 1926)**;
George Ernest Shepherd **(1926 – 1928)**;
Thomas Humphries Williams **(1928 – 1931)**;
Benjamin Rose **(1931 – 1932)**;
George Henry Brown **(1932 – 1935)**;
Jeremiah Bray **(1935 – 1945)**;
Lottie Best **(1945 – 1951)**;
Joseph Nash **(1951 – 1953)**;
Edward 'Ted' Penny **(1953 – [1967]**
John Griffiths [1976]
John Deakin [1983]
Alan Wakefield **(1984 – 1990)**
Philip Bates [1993]
Graham Griffin [1995]



2002

NOTES

113, Whitehall Road [1888], [1889], [1891], [1892], [1896]
216, Whitehall Road [1983] - probably a typographical error
261, Whitehall Road [1904], [1912], [1916], [1996]

It provided accommodation for artistes playing the Dudley Hippodrome.

It opened in 1854.

Alfred Kendrick was also a coal and lime merchant of Greets Green Road.
He was a partner in Kendrick and Wooldridge, ironfounders, Brickhouse Foundry, Great Bridge.

1881 Census

113, Whitehall Road

- [1] *Thomas Clark* (59), innkeeper, born Deepfields;
- [2] *Helen Clark* (60), wife, born Shrewsbury;
- [3] *Mary E. Clark* (29), daughter, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Thomas Clark* (25), son, iron worker, born Scotland;
- [5] *Leonard Clark* (23), son, iron worker, born Scotland;
- [6] *Helena Clark* (12), daughter, born Monmouth;
- [7] *M. Webster* (18), general servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 28/5/1881

“*Thomas Clarke*, ROYAL OAK INN, Oak Road, was charged with having his house open for the sale of liquors at 8.20 on Sunday, the 8th inst. He was fined 10s and costs.”

[I have included this here because of the Census above. The only pub in Oak Road was the Cottage Spring.]

1891 Census

113, Whitehall Road – ROYAL OAK INN

- [1] *James Leach* (36), widower, publican, born Tipton;
- [2] *William E. Leach* (16), son, born Tipton;
- [3] *Amelia Gittins* (57), widow, domestic servant, born Sedgley:

George Hardy was also a baker and grocer of 120, Whitehall Road. [1896]

Edwin Poulton, beer retailer, 113, Whitehall Road. [1900]

Lottie Best – see also BIRD IN HAND, Oldbury

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946], [1948]

Ted Penny was married to Ann.

News Telephone 2/7/1970 - Advert

“Country and Western Music / Friday evening / 8.30 / ROYAL OAK / Whitehall Road / West Bromwich.”

John 'Jack' Griffiths married *Kitty* in 1941.

See also WHITE SWAN, Spon Lane.

[2012]

It closed in 2012

It was demolished in 2013.

Check Oldbury Road.



2008

ROYAL OAK

Churchfield, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Joseph Oakley []

NOTES

Joseph Oakley issued tokens from here.

ROYAL OAK

Hill Top, (Carters Green), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Beddoe [1871]

LICENSEES

John Pavey [1830]

John Tonks [1834]

Edward Beddoe [1841] – [1858]

Miss Sarah Beddoe [1860] – [1861]

William Wilkinson [] – **1871**;

Phoebe Beddoe (**1871** – [])

Hartland [c. 1870]

NOTES

Hill Top [1830], [1860]

Carters Green [1842]

Edward Beddoe was also a coalmaster, colliery agent and maltster. [1845], [1849]

Miss Sarah Beddoe was also a maltster. [1860]

Dudley Herald 26/8/1871

“ROYAL OAK, Hill Top, West Bromwich owned by Mr. Beddoe The last licensee Mr. *Hartland* – bankrupt had remained vacant for 18 months new license applied for.....”

ST. GEORGE'S INN

Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Russell [1868]

NOTES

Check GEORGE.

Dudley Herald 20/6/1868

“A middle aged woman, named Mary Hughes, was charged with attempting to rob a till in the house of Mr. *Richard Russell*, ST. GEORGE'S INN, Paradise Street, and also with stealing a wash leather. On Monday afternoon last the prisoner entered the prosecutor's house and called for a glass of ale. She went into the tap room, but afterwards was seen in the bar, where she had no business and was noticed to open a cash drawer. She was charged with the offence, on a search being made, a piece of wash leather was missed, and this the prisoner, when she knew it was missed, drew from underneath her cloak and threw it under a chair sentenced to 6 weeks imprisonment.”

SAMSON AND LION

45, (21), Cooper Street, (Virgins Court), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Riley
Ann Riley
Henry Swain and Co.
Showells Brewery Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Joseph Riley [1864] – **1886**);
Mrs. Ann Riley (**1886 – 1897**);
Joseph Green (**1897 – 1904**);
Alfred James Freeman (**1904 – 1906**);
George Parkes (**1906 – 1915**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Riley, beer retailer, SAMSON AND LION, Cooper Street. [1864], [1872]
He was fined £20 and costs, on 6th November 1875, for two cases of serving before 12.30pm on Sunday.

1871 Census

Virgins Court – SAMPSON AND LION

- [1] *Joseph Riley* (31), publican, born Harts Hill;
- [2] *Ann Riley* (31), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] James Riley (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Edward Riley (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Alice R. Riley (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 21/8/1880

“*Joseph Riley*, landlord of the SAMSON AND LION INN, West Bromwich, was on Wednesday charged at West Bromwich with stealing ale, whiskey, and cigars belonging to *Joseph Parker*, of the BIRMINGHAM HOUSE, High Street.

Prisoner asked to be served with articles, some of which he gave to friends in the bar of Mr. *Parker*'s house, and the rest he consumed himself, but refused to pay. He was therefore given into custody, when his pockets were searched, and it was found that he was penniless. The prisoner was remanded.”

1881 Census

21, Cooper Street – SAMPSON AND LION

- [1] *Joseph Riley* (41), retail brewer, born Dudley;
- [2] *Ann Riley* (41), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] James Riley (20), son, forge labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Edward Riley (16), son, core maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Ellen Riley (14), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] John Riley (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Joseph Henry Riley (3 months), son, born West Bromwich:

Ann Riley, beer retailer, 21, Cooper Street. [1888], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

21, Cooper Street

- [1] *Ann Riley* (51), widow, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *John Riley* (19), son, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph H. Riley* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Uriah Wilkes* (42), lodger, bricklayer, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Andrew Howley* (37), lodger, grinder, born Oxenhall, Gloucestershire:

1901 Census

21, Cooper Street – SAMSON AND LION

- [1] *Joseph Green* (56), publican, born Tievesey, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Mary Green* (56), wife, born Burton on Trent;
- [3] *Charles J. Green* (25), son, holloware packer, born Oldbury;
- [4] *George W. Green* (18), son, stove polisher, born Oldbury;
- [5] *Hilda Wootton* (4), granddaughter, born Smethwick:

Alfred James Freeman – see also BRIDGE,

1911 Census

45, Cooper Street – SAMSON AND LION

- [1] *George Parkes* (42), beerhouse manager, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Violet Louisa Parkes* (40), wife, married 20 years, beerhouse mistress, born Bromsgrove;
- [3] *George Parkes* (18), son, driller, carriage works, born Oldbury;
- [4] *William Parkes* (16), son, screwdriver, carriage works, born Smethwick;
- [5] *Bartie Parkes* (9), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Richard Parkes* (6), son, born Manchester:

Ann Riley, beer retailer, 21, Cooper Street. [1888], [1892], [1896]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1915.

The license renewal was refused on 8th June 1915.

The license was extinguished on 30th October 1915.

SAMSON AND LION

2, Harvills Hawthorn (New Street) / Peters Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Cole
Edward Williams
James Lloyd
Atkinsons Ltd. [c. 1927]
Bent's Brewery Co. Ltd. [1929]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd. [1982]

LICENSEES

William Cole [1872] - **1877**);
Edward Williams (**1877 - 1883**);
James Lloyd (**1883 - 1897**);
James Allmark (**1897 - 1899**);
Henry Homer (**1899**);
William Alfred Turner (**1899 - 1929**);
Thomas Langford (**1929 - 1931**);
James Jones (**1931 - 1946**);
Eric William Preece (**1946 - 1955**);
Thomas Wood (**1955 - 1958**);
Mrs. Florence Elsie Wood (**1958 - 1959**);
John Francis Goodman (**1959 - []**)
George Henry Whiting [1982]
Glanville Thomas Mayers (**1992 - 1994**):

NOTES

SAMPSON AND LION

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

2, Harvills Hawthorn

[1] *Edward Williams* (47), hinge manufacturer, employs 5 men 9 boys, born Kingswinford;

[2] *Esther Williams* (41), wife, born West Bromwich:

James Lloyd, beer retailer and butcher, Harvills Hawthorn. [1888], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

2, Harvills Hawthorn

- [1] *James Lloyd* (38), publican, born Wales;
- [2] *Jane Lloyd* (36), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Mary Lloyd* (13), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jane Lloyd* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Lloyd* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Rosa Lloyd* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Selina Cashmore* (21), servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Lillie Lloyd* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Alfred Turner, beer retailer, Harvills Hawthorn. [1900], [1904], [1908], [1912]

It was sold at auction on 14th October 1929 for £3,181.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

Thomas Wood was married to *Florence Elsie*.

It closed in 1994.

It was converted into a fish and chip shop and a newsagent's shop.



c. 1927



1996

SANDWELL

277, High Street (Birmingham Road) / New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Gibson, Moseley Road, Birmingham
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Stonegate Pub Co. [2012]

LICENSEES

Henry Knight [1851]
Walter Heaps [1861]
Richard Gadie [1864] – [1870]
Ann Catherine Gadie [] – **1871**):
John Morgan (**1871** – [])
Joseph Parker (**1871 – 1892**);
William Clift Barratt (**1892 – 1893**);
Francis Salt Wilson (**1893 – 1895**);
Albert Edward Stone (**1895 – 1898**);
Harold Lort Williams (**1898 – 1899**);
Harry Peters (**1899 – 1902**); manager
Joseph Gatti (**1902 – 1905**);
William Reeves (**1905 – 1919**);
Alfred Pitcairn Roy (**1919 – 1925**);
Mrs. Charlotte Roy (**1925 – 1928**);
Harry Dale (**1928 – 1952**);
Ronald Philip Gadd (**1952 – 1958**);
John Norman Howlings (**1958 – 1961**);
Arthur Gilbert Barnett (**1961** – [])
John Leedham [1990] – [1991]
A McFarlane [1992]
Spencer Roberts [1994]
Jeff Wakefield [1998]
Trevor McLeish [2012]

NOTES

The BIRMINGHAM HOUSE originally stood on the site.

1851 Census

Birmingham Road

- [1] *Henry Knight* (52), widower, innkeeper, born Marstock, Somersetshire;
- [2] John Whitehaed (50), man servant, born Kingsbury, Warwickshire;
- [3] Mary Holland (33), house servant, born Wednesbury;
- [4] Hannah Clarke (19), house servant, born Smethwick:

1861 Advert

“First Class Accommodation for Commercial Gentlemen / Old Wines and Foreign Spirits / Home Brewed Beer, Porter &c.....”

The Sandwell Hotel,
HIGH STREET, WEST BROMWICH.
WALTER HEAPS, Proprietor.
FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION FOR COMMERCIAL GENTLEMEN.
Old Wines and Foreign Spirits.
HOME-BREWED BEER, PORTER, &c.
SPACIOUS BILLIARD ROOMS.
Livery and Bait Stables and Lock-up Coach-houses.
HORSES AND GIGS FOR HIRE.
Cabs meet each train to and from the Station.

Advert 1861

1871 Census

High Street

- [1] *Ann C. Gadie* (41), widow, licensed victualler, born Beaumaris, Anglesea;
- [2] *John Morgan* (52), brother, private schoolmaster, born Beaumaris, Anglesea;
- [3] *Ellen Jonathan* (50), sister, tailor's wife, born Beaumaris, Anglesea;
- [4] *Elizabeth Kingdon* (48), sister, gardener's wife, born Beaumaris, Anglesea;
- [5] *Jane E. Morgan* (46), sister, housekeeper, born Beaumaris, Anglesea;
- [6] *John May* (25), barman, born Stockfield, Leicestershire;
- [7] *William Morgan* (20), nephew, student at college, born Beaumaris, Anglesea;
- [8] *Mary A. Randall* (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 21/8/1880

“*Joseph Riley*, landlord of the SAMSON AND LION INN, West Bromwich, was on Wednesday charged at West Bromwich with stealing ale, whiskey, and cigars belonging to *Joseph Parker*, of the BIRMINGHAM HOUSE, High Street.

Prisoner asked to be served with articles, some of which he gave to friends in the bar of Mr. *Parker*'s house, and the rest he consumed himself, but refused to pay. He was therefore given into custody, when his pockets were searched, and it was found that he was penniless. The prisoner was remanded.”

1881 Census

277, High Street – BIRM HOUSE

- [1] *Joseph Parker* (42), licensed victualler, born Smethwick;
- [2] *Emma Parker* (37), wife, born Alvechurch;
- [3] *Henry Howett* (?) (33), barman, born Gainsborough;
- [4] *Frederick Taylor* (19), groom, born Cheltenham;
- [5] *Annie Till* (20), servant, born Bloxwich;
- [6] *Eliza Smith* (19), servant:

Smethwick Telephone 22/8/1885

“Wednesbury Police Court. *Elizabeth Butler*, a respectably dressed young woman, was charged with having stolen some whisky, a small bottle of ale and a corkscrew, the property of *Joseph Parker*, of the BIRMINGHAM HOUSE INN, High Street – she was also charged with having stolen wearing apparel, the property of *Elizabeth Beddoes*, a fellow servant with her in Mr. *Parker*'s employ. It seemed that the prisoner had entered Mr. *Parker*'s service on the 1st inst., as cook and girl of all work and on Monday afternoon she became the worse for drink and went to bed. On Mr. *Parker* hearing of her behaviour, he ordered her to leave at once and her box was hurriedly packed and put into the street with the accused. In consequence of something which had transpired, however, it was taken back into the house and examined.” - An empty beer bottle and corkscrew and underwear were found and whisky noticed missing from a bottle in a private sitting room.

She was dismissed and advised to refrain from drink.

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/7/1887

“On Monday morning a meeting of ironworkers from West Bromwich and Oldbury district was held at the BIRMINGHAM HOUSE, High Street, for the purpose of electing a delegate to the forthcoming conference, to be held at Sheffield, on August 1st, also to approve the work of revising rules by the committee for registration, and select general officers of the association.

After a brief discussion the meeting was adjourned until next Monday, and it was decided to invite three delegates from each lodge to attend.”

1891 Census

277, High Street – BIRMINGHAM HOUSE INN

- [1] *Joseph Parker* (52), licensed victualler, born Smethwick;
- [2] *Emma Parker* (47), wife, born Alvechurch, Warwickshire;
- [3] *Ada Edwards* (20), niece, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Henry Howett* (43), barman, born Derby;
- [5] *Mary A. Benbow* (26), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Kate Nichols* (25), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *John Leek* (31), boots, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 15/7/1893

“The marriage of Mr. *Joseph Parker*, late of the BIRMINGHAM HOUSE HOTEL, West Bromwich, to Mrs. Clarke, widow of the late Mr. Clarke, of the GOLDEN CROSS, was solemnized at Christ Church on Thursday, 6th inst The newly married pair have taken up their residence at the BULLS HEAD INN. Tame Bridge.”

Joseph Parker – see also RAILWAY, Oldbury Road, Smethwick.

William Clift Barratt = see also ROWAY.

Closed

It was demolished in 1895.

The SANDWELL HOTEL was built on the site.

SANDWELL HOTEL [1894], [1900], [1904], [1916]
SANDWELL COMMERCIAL HOTEL [1896]

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/1/1900 - Advert

“SANDWELL HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich / proprietor *Harry Peters* / Telephonic Orders (No. 5082) promptly attended to / Good Assembly Room 54’ long by 18’ wide / Dinners Daily 1 till 2, Ordinary Thursday / Coffee, Smoke and Club Rooms / Finest Wines, Spirits and Cigars / Mitchells & Butlers’ Ales and Nourishing Stout.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 3/2/1900

“The annual meeting of the West Bromwich Friendly Societies’ Medical Association was held on Thursday night at the SANDWELL HOTEL, High Street. Mr. Burgess presiding.”
AND

“On Thursday night, a commission of the Birmingham Football Association sat at the SANDWELL HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, for the purpose of enquiring into a charge made by Oldbury Town FC against Darlaston, and also one brought by Coombes Wood against Wednesbury Old Athletic, for approaching several of their players without the sanction of the club. Mr. C. Crump presided. The proceedings were conducted in private, but we understand that the decision arrived at will be made public in the course of a few days.”

SANDWELL HOTEL,
LATE BIRMINGHAM HOUSE,
HIGH STREET AND NEW STREET,
WEST BROMWICH.
—
EXTENSIVELY ALTERED.
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Advert 1894

Smethwick Weekly News 9/3/1901

“On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Lyon Clark (Deputy Coroner) held an inquest at West Bromwich Law Courts, concerning the death of William James Bate (20), a spring maker, formerly lodging at 2a, Pitt Street, West Bromwich, whose dead body was found in a field near Stone Cross, early on Monday morning last.

Mary Stanley said deceased had lodged with her about four years. His parents were dead. He worked at Messrs. Griffin and Wilson’s, in Overend Street, West Bromwich. He was of a very quiet disposition and was fond of reading penny dreadfuls. He left home on Sunday night about eight o’clock and did not return. Witness could not account for him being in the locality of Stone Cross. He was in regular employment. She had never heard him threaten to commit suicide.

Frederick Harris, of Guns Lane, West Bromwich, a pattern maker, said he had known deceased about four months. He last saw him alive at 9.40 on Sunday night, at the bottom of New Street. Witness saw him go into the SANDWELL HOTEL. They had previously had two pints of ale at the ROEBUCK INN, New Street. Witness had never seen the revolver (produced) in deceased’s possession. He was aware that Bate was in the habit of reading cheap novels, but deceased never referred to them in his conversation.

William Burkett, residing at Hall End, West Bromwich, stated that he was proceeding to work about 6 o’clock on Monday morning, when he discovered the body of deceased lying beneath the hedge of a field situated between Charlemont Hall and Stone Cross. A revolver lay close to the side of the body. Witness expressed the opinion that deceased shot himself through the head while lying on the ground.

PC Beardsmore deposed to receiving information of the affair, and accompanying the last witness to the place where the body lay. A six-chambered revolver lay close to deceased’s right hand, and witness found some cartridges in his pockets, and also at his lodgings. There was a wound near to the right temple, which witness thought to be self-inflicted. Nobody seemed to know that he possessed the revolver or the cartridges.

The Deputy Coroner, in summing up, remarked that it was possible that deceased’s mind had become unhinged by reading that pernicious and frightful literature, which unfortunately was too much in vogue.

The jury returned a verdict of Suicide whilst in a state of unsound mind.”

1901 Census

High Street – SANDWELL HOTEL

[1] *Harry Peters* (35), licensed victualler, born Birmingham;

[2] *Clara Peters* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Harry Peters* (13), son, born Handsworth:

Harry Peters was fined £1 10s 6d and costs, on 31st October 1901, for permitting drunkenness.

Smethwick Weekly News 1/2/1902

“Mr. *Harry Peters*, manager of the SANDWELL HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich, appealed against the conviction of the local magistrates for permitting drunkenness upon his licensed premises on the 12th of October last. The appeal was supported by the West Bromwich and District Licensed Trades’ Association, which was represented in Court by Mr. J. S. Round (president), and Councillor E. Pointon (secretary). Mr. Disturnal appeared for the respondents and Messrs. Vachell and Lawrence (instructed by Messrs. Sharp and Darby, of West Bromwich), were for the appellant. The case aroused considerable interest.

Mr. Disturnal, in opening, explained that in October last Mr. *Peters* was charged before the magistrates with permitting drunkenness, and was fined 30s and costs. The whole question for the learned Recorder to decide would be whether or not the manager of the hotel had permitted drunkenness within the meaning of the Act, and he (Mr. Disturnal) understood that it would not be denied that the man concerned in the case was drunk. The SANDWELL was the principal hotel in West Bromwich. On the evening of October the 12th, about 6.40, two police officers saw a man named John Shakespeare, of Church Vale, brought out of the vaults by the landlord, in a helplessly drunken condition, and put into a cab and driven off. The police spoke to Mr. *Peters* about the matter, when the latter made a statement to the effect that the man had not been in the hotel many minutes and, had escaped his attention. As soon as he noticed him he led him out. He (Mr. Disturnal) contended that the landlord knew perfectly well that Shakespeare was drunk. Another police officer saw the man in High Street, some distance away, at 4.30 the same afternoon, when he was drunk, and the officer advised him to go home.

Police Inspectors Sykes and Aldridge, PC Sherratt, Joseph Harrington, and Maria Harrington gave evidence in support of Mr. Disturnal’s statement.

The appellant (Mr. *Peters*), in answer to Mr. Vachel, denied any knowledge that Shakespeare was drunk in the house. He had been in the licensing trade for over ten years, and had been the manager of the SANDWELL HOTEL for 2½ years. He knew Shakespeare to be a feeble old man, and had occasionally given him meals out of charity. Cross-examined by Mr. Disturnal, witness said he should not think the man was drunk at the time in question, although he would not undertake to swear that he was not so. Several witnesses were called whose evidence was to the effect that Shakespeare, while sitting at a table was handed some beer by different customers, in the hotel, and was not actually supplied by the barman.

Mr. Vachel and Mr. Disturnal both addressed the Recorder at considerable length, after which the Court adjourned for luncheon.

Upon returning into Court the Recorder said he was indebted to the learned Counsel who had appeared for the respondents and appellant. He agreed that the question at issue was one of the meaning of the word 'permitting'. The fact that a man was found drunk in a public house did not go to show that the landlord had been guilty of permitting drunkenness. He quite sympathised with the publicans in the difficulties they were subjected to in the conduct of their houses, and it must be shown that a landlord had evaded the law by allowing a drunken man to remain on his premises. He could not believe, however, the evidence of the appellant's witnesses, and therefore the appeal would be dismissed with costs."

Smethwick Weekly News 10/5/1902

"A dinner took place on Thursday night under the auspices of the West Bromwich Branch of the Birmingham Pawnbrokers' Protection Association, at the SANDWELL HOTEL. The Birmingham Association, which has its branches in Wolverhampton, Coventry, and West Bromwich, is one of the strongest organisations in the trade....."

Court 'John H. Chesshire', Ancient Order of Foresters, was held here. [1903]

Property auctions were held here in 1905.

Wednesbury Leader 16/2/1906

"At the SANDWELL HOTEL on Tuesday evening, his Worship the Mayor (Councillor J. E. Wilson) was initiated a member of the Earl of Dartmouth Lodge (537) of this Order....."

Wednesbury Leader 23/11/1906

"The annual flower night in connection with the Earl Dartmouth Lodge of the Ancient Order of Druids was held at the SANDWELL HOTEL on Tuesday evening. The room was beautifully decorated with flowers, etc. and in the centre a table was artistically arranged a good display of evergreens and fruit. Invitations to the nurses of the Hospital, Workhouse, and Infirmary were sent, and the latter inspected the show during the afternoon. In the evening Bro. J. P. Moore presided over a good attendance....."

1911 Census

SANDWELL HOTEL

- [1] *William Reeves* (47), hotel manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Maria Elizabeth Reeves* (50), wife, married 10 years, assisting in the business, born Birmingham;
- [3] *William Kershaw* (25), barman, born Southport, Lancashire;
- [4] *Eva Alice Jeavons* (24), barmaid, born Wolverhampton;
- [5] *Francis Piper* (26), potman, born Smethwick;
- [6] *Mary Anne Allen* (30), waitress, born Oldbury;
- [7] *Mary Ann Harmey* (21), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *James Henry Moore* (50), visitor, police pensioner, engineering agent, born Poplar, London;
- [9] *Philip Thomas Willis* (52), visitor, police pensioner, engineering agent, born Coombe Martin, Devon:

Alfred Pitcairn Roy was married to *Charlotte*.

Bilston and Willenhall Times 21/1/1928

"The president (Mr. Joseph C. Bird) presided at the annual dinner and smoking concert of the West Bromwich Wednesday Cricket Club, held at the SANDWELL HOTEL on Monday evening, and there was a large attendance of members and friends."

Loyal Order of the Moose, West Bromwich Lodge No. 80, held meetings here 1929 – [1950]

Bilston and Willenhall Times 2/11/1946

“The annual prize distribution and smoking concert under the auspices of the West Bromwich (Hospital) Bowling Committee, bowls and darts sections, was held at the SANDWELL HOTEL, West Bromwich, on Wednesday of last week. In the absence of Mr. F. J. Adams (chairman), who was indisposed, Mr. H. W. Cole presided.

Winners of the Free Press Cup were Old Oak House, who gained the trophy for the fourth year in succession. The runners-up were Windmill.....”

The annual dinner and prize distribution of the West Bromwich Dartmouth (Ladies) Bowling Club was held here on 2nd December 1959.

Arthur Gilbert Barnett – see also THREE MILE OAK.

John Leedham was married to Jean.

It was refurbished in 1994.

It was renamed GOOSE AND GRANITE

It was renamed GOOSE

[2014]



c. 1986



2006



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SARACENS HEAD

Great Bridge Street, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Nathaniel Millward [1849] – [1851]

Benjamin Aston [1868] – **(1870):**

NOTES

1851 Census

Greets Green Village, Wood Lane

[1] *Nathaniel Millward* (29), retail brewer, born Oldbury;

[2] *Mary Ann Millward* (28), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Joseph P. Millward* (5), born West Bromwich;

[4] *John P. Millward* (4), born West Bromwich;

[5] *James Millward* (2), born West Bromwich;

[6] *John Scott* (20), servant, labourer, born Coleshill;

[7] *Mary Wheeler* (20), domestic servant, born Wednesbury:

Benjamin Aston, beer retailer, Great Bridge Street. [1868]

License renewal to *Benjamin Aston* was refused in September 1870.

SHOULDER OF MUTTON

9, (7), Dial Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

George Wilkes [1887]
Joseph Whitehouse [1901]
Joseph Worrall [pre 1908]

NOTES

7, Dial Lane [1887], [1901]
9, Dial Lane

It had a beerhouse license.

West Bromwich Weekly News 26/3/1887

“Mr. Josiah Field will Sell by Auction, by Order of the Mortgagees, on Tuesday, March 29th, 1887
Lot 2 – All that valuable and well-built Freehold Beerhouse known as the SHOULDER OF MUTTON, situate and numbered 7, Dial Lane, Hill Top, West Bromwich, in the occupation of Mr. *Wilkes*, containing 4 Bed Rooms, Bar, Parlour, Tap Room, Kitchen, Brewhouse, Malt Room, and 4 Cellars, let at a yearly rental of £30. Together with the Dwelling House adjoin, numbered 9.....”

London Gazette 10/8/1888

“*Wilkes, George*, lately residing at SHOULDER OF MUTTON, 7, Dial Lane lately Retail Brewer Date of Public Examination – August 27th, 1888.”

1901 Census

7, Dial Lane

- [1] *Joseph Whitehouse* (44), widower, beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Edward Whitehouse* (18), son, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ann Whitehouse* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich:

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority in 1906.

It was subject to a Compulsory Purchase Order in the 1930's?

SHOULDER OF MUTTON

Gads Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Smith [1869]

NOTES

James Smith was declared bankrupt in July 1869.

Dudley Herald 14/8/1869

“Bankrupt. – *James Smith*, late of the SHOULDER OF MUTTON, Gads Lane, West Bromwich was sentenced to 6 months in prison for embezzling prior to bankruptcy.”

SHOULDER OF MUTTON

209, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Walter Showell and Sons Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp Ltd. [1935]
Ind Coope Ltd. [1959]

LICENSEES

John Underhill [1845] – [1851]
J Zella* [1858]
Joseph Zelberl* [1860]
Joseph Yeller* [1861] – [1865]
Joseph Zeller* [1868] – [1870]
Mrs. Louisa Zeller [1871] – [1873]
Francis Joseph. Zeller [1881]
George Thompson [1888] – [1889]
Edward Tipper [1891] – **1892**);
William George Wincott (**1892 – 1906**);
Albert Edward Leeson (**1906 – 1909**);
Walter Hooper (**1909 – 1913**);
William Henry Hadley (**1913**);
Aaron Unwin (**1913 – 1916**);
Arthur Standley (**1916 – 1921**);
Thomas Stephen Baker (**1921 – 1924**);
John Hawkes (**1924**);
Samuel Clarke (**1924 – 1936**);
Mrs. Florence Clarke (**1936 – 1937**);
George Jarvis (**1937 – 1938**);
Alfred Potter (**1938 – 1939**);
Benjamin Francis (**1939 – 1940**);
John Henry Lewis (**1940 – 1941**);
Frank Alfred Pratley (**1941 – 1942**);
Joseph Edward Foster (**1942 – 1944**);
James Edward Picken (**1944 – 1951**);
Austin Joseph Elsmore (**1951**);
Howard Edward Jackson (**1951 – 1952**);
Henry Robert Tomkinson (**1952 – 1953**);
Edith Mary Tomkinson (**1953 – 1954**);
Albert Victor Smart (**1954**);

NOTES

1851 Census

Spon Lane – SHOULDER OF MUTTON

- [1] *John Underhill* (45), widower, victualler, born Warley Wigorn;
- [2] *Louisa Underhill* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Ann M. Underhill* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Samuel Underhill* (15), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Underhill* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *George Underhill* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Caroline Underhill* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Martha Woodhouse* (22), general servant, birthplace not known:

Joseph Zeller = *Joseph Yelberl* = *Joseph Yeller*

* probably the same person

1871 Census

Spon Lane

- [1] *Louisa Zeller* (38), widow, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Yorgness Joseph Zeller* (13), son, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Caroline Zeller* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Louisa Margaret Zeller* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Catherine Zeller* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

209, Spon Lane – public house

- [1] *Francis J. Zeller* (23), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Emma R. Zeller* (25), born Great Barr;
- [3] infant *Zeller* (2 days), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Jones* (54), midwife, born Baschurch, Shropshire;
- [5] *Sarah Tildesley* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Israel Knowles* (15), boots, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

209, Spon Lane

- [1] *Edward Tipper* (51), public house manager, born Nottinghamshire;
- [2] *Sarah A. Tipper* (46), wife, born Redditch;
- [3] *Mary A. Evans* (18), niece, barmaid, born Birmingham:

Smethwick Telephone 2/5/1891

“SHOULDER OF MUTTON INN, Spon Lane – This well-accustomed old licensed inn, to be let, either yearly or upon lease. Rent £60. Stock and fixtures at evaluation.....”

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/1/1900

“Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes ‘Black Prince’ Lodge.- The first annual dinner in connection with the above lodge was held at the SHOULDER OF MUTTON, Spon Lane, on Thursday evening last, when about fifty Brothers sat down to a capital spread provided by the host, Prime *W. G. Wincott*.....”

Wolverhampton Chronicle 20/1/1900

“.....About two o’clock on Saturday morning, the SHOULDER OF MUTTON INN, also in Spon Lane, was entered by means of forcing in a back window, and a quantity of jewellery, fancy articles, and wearing apparel carried off.”

1901 Census

207+209, Spon Lane

- [1] *William G. Wincott* (34), licensed victualler, born Smethwick;
- [2] *Harriet E. Wincott* (38), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Victoria E. Wincott* (2 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William H. R. Aldridge* (8), stepson, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Frank M. Wincott* (21), brother, sheet glasscutter, born Smethwick;
- [6] *Clifford R. Wincott* (15), brother, glasscutter, born Smethwick;
- [7] *Thomas Jukes* (40), brother in law, barman, born Oldbury;
- [8] *Florence Newman* (20), general servant, born Broadmill, Gloucestershire;
- [9] *Sarah Whitehouse* (14), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Walter Hooper was the brother of *Harry Hooper* (GOLDEN CROSS).

1911 Census

207-209, Spon Lane – SHOULDER OF MUTTON

- [1] *Walter Hooper* (27), licensed victualler, part time roll turner, born Smethwick;
- [2] *Lucy Hooper* (25), wife, married 2 years, assisting in the business, born Smethwick;
- [3] *Lily Ward* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Samuel Clarke was married to *Florence*.
He died in 1936.

Alfred Potter – see also ROYAL EXCHANGE, Walsall Street.

Smethwick Telephone

'Rub-a-dub-dub Memories Of The Old Washtub'

“Crossing to the other side of the road we had a small beer only house. There were many of these until 1947, when full licenses for wines and spirits were granted by magistrates to almost all who applied for them.”

The premises were sold to the Spon Engineering Co. on 12th September 1954, and was no longer used as a pub.

SHOULDER OF MUTTON

Wood Lane, (Dunkirk Lane), (Dartmouth Street), Greets Green, (Gads Green), (Cutlers End), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Smith [1835] – [1865]
Edward Henson [1868] – [1870]

NOTES

Cutlers End [1849], [1850]
Dartmouth Street [1858]
Gads Green [1861]

William Smith, beer retailer, Dunkirk Lane. [1835], [1841]
He was also a butcher. [1860], [1864]

1861 Census

Wood Lane – SHOULDER OF MUTTON

- [1] *William Smith* (47), butcher and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Smith* (47), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Smith* (23), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *James Smith* (14), son, butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Smith* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Smith* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Joseph Smith* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Mary Sway* (20), servant, born Oldbury;

SHOVEL

Dudley Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Midland Advertiser 4/5/1878

“An inquest was held on Tuesday, at the SHOVEL INN, Dudley Road, before Mr. Edwin Hooper, Coroner, on the body of William Worton, who was killed on Friday last, at Messrs Anstri___ pit, Swan Village. A verdict of Accidental Death was returned.”

SMITHS ARMS

46, Pleasant Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Silas Stokes

John Jordan, British Queen Brewery, Oldbury

J. W. J. Kingstone Ltd. [1920]

Thomas Oliver Ltd. [1928]

William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]

LICENSEES

Silas Stokes [1868] – 1874);

Phoebe Stokes (1874 – 1880);

Daniel Baugh (1880 – 1884);

John Baugh (1884 – 1886);

Edward Waterhouse (1886 – 1889);

Charles Williams (1889 – 1892);

Edward Othello Smith (1892 – 1893);

Thomas Footman (1893 – 1897);

Mrs. Ellen Harris (1897 – 1904);

Samuel Green (1904 – 1909);

Sarah Jones (1909 – 1910);

William John Richards (1910);

Henry Shilton (1910 – 1911);

John Thomas Butler (1911 – 1912);

William Hodgkins (1912 – 1913);

Arthur Frederick Hawkins (1913);

George Farmer (1913 – 1914);

William Clay (1914 – 1916);

James Plant (1916 – 1920);

Thomas Firkin (1920 – 1922);

Bertram Povey (1922 – 1926);

William James Woodward (1926 – 1932);

Thomas Hamblet Davies (1932);

Mary Cartwright (1932 – 1935);

George Alfred Dean (1935 – 1940);

Harold Thomas Wells (1940 – 1957);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Silas Stokes, beer retailer, Pleasant Street. [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

Pleasant Street

- [1] *Silas Stokes* (59), railway smith, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Phebe Stokes* (57), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *Sarah Stokes* (32), daughter, visitor, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Silas Stokes* (16), son, carter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Louisa Stokes* (21), relative, domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Silas Stokes, beer retailer and coach smith, Pleasant Street. [1872]

1881 Census

46, Pleasant Street – SMITHS ARMS

- [1] *Daniel Baugh* (71), publican, born Bradley, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Mary Baugh* (68), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] *Moses Mann* (17), grandson, labourer, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 16/4/1881

“..... Important Sale of Valuable Freehold Property, known as the SMITHS ARMS Retail beerhouse all that Freehold Public House, known as the SMITHS ARMS, situate in Pleasant Street, West Bromwich aforesaid, comprising Tap Room, Kitchen, three Bed Rooms, Cellar, Outer Kitchen, Brewhouse, Stable, Cart Shed, and appurtenances thereto belonging.....”

Edward Waterhouse, beer retailer, 46, Pleasant Street. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

46, Pleasant Street

- [1] *Charles Williams* (49), mill roller, born Darlaston;
- [2] *Agnes Williams* (43), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Emma Satterthwaite* (65), mother in law, widow, living on her own means, born Oldbury:

Charles Williams, beer retailer, 46, Pleasant Street. [1892]

Thomas Footman, beer retailer, 46, Pleasant Street. [1896]

Mrs. *Ellen Harris*, beer retailer, 46, Pleasant Street. [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

46, Pleasant Street

- [1] *Ellen Harris* (59), married, beerhouse keeper, born Ludlow;
- [2] *Robert John Roberts* (39), son in law, manager (retail grocer), born Conwy, Carnarvon;
- [3] *Eva Roberts* (37), daughter, born Dudley;
- [4] *Vera Roberts* (2), granddaughter, born Birmingham;
- [5] *Montague M. Roberts* (10), adopted son, born Barrow, Lancashire;
- [6] *Ethel James* (18), visitor, born Kings Heath:

Samuel Green, beer retailer, 46, Pleasant Street. [1908], [1912]

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

The license was surrendered on the grant of a Publican's License to the BULLS HEAD, Bull Lane. The house closed on 31st October 1957.

SMUGGLER

Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

James Lee [1868]

SOW AND PIGS

26, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

James Law, Bull Street, West Bromwich
Messrs. Horton and Sons, London
Richard Stoker
William White (acquired in 1799 for £100)
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd. (acquired in 1938 for £1,500)

LICENSEES

George Sheldon [1799]
John Sheldon [1818] – [1835]
Samuel Brighton [1841] – [1842]
John Collins [1845]
Joseph Thornett [] – **1872**;
Sophia Thornett (**1872** – []
Thomas Griffiths [1872] – **1882**);
Charles Wesley (**1882** – **1887**);
Mrs. Elizabeth Wesley (**1887** – [1889]
John Wesley [1892]
Joseph Wesley [1896] – [1904]
Harry Jones [1908] – [1912]
William Granville Hardy []
N Hornby [1976]
John Roberts [1984]
Albert Keith Gill [1992]
Mrs. Mary Teresa Hackett [1993]
Paul Wood [] – **2008**
Nirmal Cheb (**2008** – [2010])



1996

NOTES

OLD SOW AND PIGS [1828], [1830], [1834], [1835], [1845]

It had a beer and cider license.

John Sheldon was also a pig dealer. [1818]

Thomas Griffiths, licensed to brew. [1871]
Thomas Griffiths, beer retailer, Hill Top. [1872]
See also HAWTHORN TAVERN.

1881 Census

Hill Top – SOW AND PIGS INN

- [1] *Thomas Griffiths* (40), beerhouse keeper, boot maker, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Amelia Griffiths* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Griffiths* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Samuel Griffiths* (14), son, holloware caster, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Griffiths* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Henry Griffiths* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Thomas Griffiths* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Elen* (sic) *Griffiths* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Elizabeth Wesley, beer retailer, 26, Hill Top. [1888]

John Wesley, beer retailer, 26, Hill Top. [1892]

Joseph Wesley, beer retailer, 26, Hill Top. [1896], [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

26, High Street, Hill Top

- [1] *Joseph Wesley* (34), publican and brewer, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Bertha Wesley* (31), wife, born Shropshire;
- [3] *Charles Wesley* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elija Wesley* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William A. Wesley* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Elizabeth M. Wesley* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Joseph Wesley* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Dora B. Wesley* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Sisy* (?) *Wesley* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Elizabeth Wesley* (59), mother, widow, born West Bromwich:

Harry Jones, beer retailer, 26, Hill Top. [1908], [1912]

1911 Census

Hill Top _ SOW AND PIGS

- [1] *Harry Jones* (42), unmarried, brewer, born Willenhall;
- [2] *Eliza Gerrard* (43), sister, married, born Willenhall;
- [3] *Ealena Gerrard* (37), sister, helper, born Willenhall;
- [4] *Rosa E. Gerrard* (22), niece, general servant, born West Bromwich:

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

A full license was granted on 12th February 1953, and confirmed on 14th April 1953.

[2014]



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SPINNEY

Smithmoor Crescent / Beacon View Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Punch Taverns

LICENSEES

D Jukes [1992]

NOTES

[1976]
[2014]



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SPRING COTTAGE

155, Harvills Hawthorn, (105, Golds Green), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mary Ann Egginton
Flower and Sons Ltd.
Thomas Oliver Ltd. [1921]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

Richard Butler [1858]
Mary Ann Egginton [1881] - **1896**;
William Preece (**1896 - 1909**);
Mrs. Mary Preece [1908] ?
William Edward Walters (**1909 - 1910**);
Henry Iddles (**1910**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Ingram (**1910 - 1913**);
James Walters Bailey (**1913 - 1928**);
Ralph Shone (**1928 - 1929**);
Arthur Hampton (**1929 - 1930**);
Jeremiah Bray (**1930 - 1932**);
Joseph Butler (**1932 - 1954**);
Joseph Arthur Butler (**1954 - [1961]**)
Anthony Trevor Wallace [1976]
Bob Page [1986]
Lloyd David [1992]

NOTES

105, Golds Green [1881], [1891]
155, Harvills Hawthorn [1912]

It had a beerhouse license.

Wolverhampton Chronicle 24/3/1858

“Organisation of a Puddlers’ Protection Society. Pursuant to the resolution adopted at the last meeting of puddlers at the SPRING COTTAGE, Hill Top, ‘to hold quarterly meetings’ in imitation of the ironmasters, a meeting was held on Monday afternoon, at the same public house. Mr. Joseph Baker, from Messrs. Solly’s works, was unanimously elected chairman.....”

1881 Census

105, Golds Green – public house – The SPRING COTTAGE
[1] Mary Ann Egginton (64), widow, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
[2] Mary Ann Egginton (23), daughter, general servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

105, Golds Green – COTTAGE SPRING

[1] *Mary A. Egginton* (74), widow, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary A. Egginton* (33), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

155, Harvills Hawthorn

[1] *William Preece* (40), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Preece* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *William Preece* (14), son, carpenter's apprentice, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Frances Preece* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Elsie Preece* (6), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Preece, beer retailer, 155, Harvills Hawthorn. [1904]

Mrs. Mary Preece, beer retailer, 155, Harvills Hawthorn. [1908]

1911 Census

SPRING COTTAGE INN

[1] *Mary Ingram* (56), widow, keeper of beerhouse, born Birmingham;

[2] *Sarah Hutchin* (35), visitor, domestic servant, born Dublin;

[3] *Charles Wakefield* (31), boarder, lithographer, born Gloucester:

Mrs. Mary Ann Ingram, beer retailer, 155, Harvills Hawthorn, Hill Top. [1912]

Joseph Butler was married to Elizabeth.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

A full license was granted on 4th February 1960, and confirmed on 12th April 1960.

The original pub at 155, Harvills Hawthorn was closed on 4th October 1961 and demolished.

The new pub opened on 5th October 1961 on the site of the OLD CROWN.

London Gazette 24/4/1989

“Wallace, Anthony Trevor latterly residing at the BREWER AND BAKER, Upper Church Lane formerly residing at The GEORGE, Lower Church Lane [?], Wednesbury, aforesaid and previously residing and carrying on business at the SPRING COTTAGE, Harvills Hawthorn Discharge granted subject to consent to judgment”

It closed on 16th August 1999.

Demolished.



1996

SPRINGMAKERS ARMS

74+76, Hill Top, (High Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Shaw
Ann Shaw
The City Brewery Ltd., Birmingham
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1900]
William Bowen, Union Cross Brewery, West Bromwich
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1944]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Shaw [1868] – 1877);
Ann Howell (1877 – 1879);
William Alsop (1879 – 1886);
Edward Asson [1881] ?
James Read (1886);
Thomas Bradbury (1886 – 1887);
Thomas Jones (1887);
Eleanor Jones (1887 – 1894);
Isaac Sargeant (1894 – 1895);
Eliza Addison (1895);
William Henry Aston (1895 – 1896);
William Dewis (1896);
Annie Scholey (1896);
Arthur Wilson (1896 – 1897);
Eli Fudge (1897);
John Thomas Newton (1897 – 1898);
Joseph Lindon (1898 – 1899);
Edwin Bullock (1899 – 1900);
Horace Percy Chavasse (1900);
Emma Jones (1900 – 1901);
Charles Andrews (1901);
Herbert William Henry Warner (1901 – 1902);
John Edwards (1902 – 1906);
Charles Shaw (1906 – 1921);
James Smith (1921 – 1925);
Thomas Tarr (1925 – 1933);
William Wyke (1933 – 1940);
Anthony Miller (1940 – 1942);
Andrew Sorrill (1942 – 1944);
Anthony Miller (1944 – 1949);
John David Davies (1949 – 1953);
William Henry Hornby (1953 – 1955);
Samuel Thomas Ford (1955 – 1956);
Joseph Francis Leadbetter (1956 – 1958);
Randolf Ratcliffe (1958);
Irving Askins (1958 – []

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Thomas Shaw, beer retailer and coach spring maker, Hill Top. [1868], [1870]

Edward Asson married Christiana YATES.

1881 Census

74 and 76, Hill Top – SPRING MAKERS ARMS

- [1] *Edward Asson* (42), beer seller and coal miner, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Christiana Asson* (42), wife, born Wem;
- [3] *Edward Asson* (16), son, beer seller and coal miner, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary A. Asson* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Phebe Asson* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Asson* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Eliza Asson* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Henry Asson* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Henry Grindcutt* (20), boarder, coal miner, born Melton [Melton Mowbray?], Leicestershire:

1891 Census

74+76, High Street – SPRINGMAKERS ARMS

- [1] *Eleanor Jones* (53), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Wolverhampton;
- [2] *Thomas Jones* (30), son, coal miner, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *George Jones* (28), son, horse driver, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] *Harry Jones* (22), son, horse driver, born Wolverhampton;
- [5] *James Jones* (20), son, saucepan handle maker, born Wolverhampton;
- [6] *Frank Jones* (15), son, spring maker's helper, born Wolverhampton;
- [7] *Edith M. Jones* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Thomas W. Banks* (6), grandson, scholar, born Wolverhampton:

Joseph Lindon – see also NOAHS ARK, Oldbury.

John Edwards, beer retailer, 74, Hill Top. [1904]

STAR AND GARTER

252, High Street / Star Alley, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Elizabeth Woolley
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1965]
Bass Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers [1986]

LICENSEES

Edward Spittle [1841] – [1845]
Mrs. Elizabeth Spittle [1849] – [1850]
Benjamin Fisher [1851]
Thomas Woolley [1858] – [1870]
Thomas Davies [1872] – [1873]
Hannah Davies [1875] – [1881]
Mrs. Elizabeth Woolley [1888] – **1892**;
Louis Ford **(1892 – 1897)**;
John Handley **(1897 – 1900)**;
Robert Ferguson Minnis **(1900 – 1907)**;
Mrs. Ellen Eliza Birch **(1907 – 1910)**;
George Deans **(1910 – 1912)**;
Julia Warren **(1912 – 1916)**;
Mrs. Sophia Hicken **(1916 – 1925)**;
Jessie Sophia Maud Meir **(1925 – 1927)**;
Robert Middlemass **(1927 – 1928)**;
Alexander Hadley **(1928 – 1930)**;
Mrs. Lilian Gertrude Hadley **(1930 – 1933)**;
Joseph Onions **(1933 – 1937)**;
Henry Jesse Croof **(1937 – 1940)**;
Aquilla Roach **(1940)**;
Herbert Worrall **(1940 – 1946)**;
John Wilson **(1946 – 1950)**;
Alexander Robert Wilson **(1950 – 1953)**;
Donald James Barton **(1953 – 1958)**;
Albert Pickering **(1958 – [])**
Leonard John Arnold [1965]
Melvyn Camp [1992] – [1993]
Anthony Hanson **(1996 – [1998])**
Miss Chris Yates [1999]

NOTES

1841 Census

High Street – South western side

[1] *Edward Spittle* (55), grazier, born Staffordshire;

[2] *Elizabeth Spittle* (35), born Staffordshire:



1965

Edward Spittle was also a butcher. [1845]

Elizabeth Spittle was also a butcher. [1849], [1850]

1851 Census

High Street

- [1] Benjamin Fisher (36), builder and innkeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Elizabeth Fisher (48), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Mary Ann Bayley (16), niece, barmaid, born Wednesbury;
- [4] Sarah Cooper (18), servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Benjamin Horton (24), servant of all work, born West Bromwich:

Wolverhampton Chronicle 3/3/1858

“On Thursday last inquests were held before Mr. G. H. Hinchcliffe, coroner, at the STAR AND GARTER INN, West Bromwich, on the bodies of John Hanley and John Toplass, and at the CROWN INN, on the body of Joseph Ingram, all of whom were killed on the preceding Tuesday at the Lodge Colliery belonging to Messrs. Davies, by the fall of about fifty tons of coal from the roof.....”

1861 Census

STAR AND GARTER INN

- [1] Thomas Woolley (27), licensed victualler, born Bromley;
- [2] Elizabeth Woolley (28), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] Kate Woolley (1) daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Robert Woolley (8 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Ann Bailey (62), widow, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Elizabeth Garmon (24), barmaid, born Birmingham;
- [7] Mary A. Banks (29), house servant, born New Town, Staffordshire;
- [8] Martha Martin (23), nurse, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 19/6/1875

“On Tuesday, at the Wednesbury Police Court the undermentioned persons were summoned at the instance of the West Bromwich Improvement Commissioners Hannah Davies, landlady of the STAR AND GARTER INN, High Street, was ordered to provide a proper urinal in connection with her house within seven days.”

1881 Census

High Street (252) – STAR AND GARTER

- [1] Hannah Davies (60), widow, licensed victualler, born Dudley;
- [2] Harry Davies (26), son, butcher, born Dudley;
- [3] Ellen Davies (20), daughter, barmaid, born Dudley;
- [4] Maud Mary Davies (14), granddaughter, visitor, born Dudley;
- [5] Ellen Masters (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

252, High Street

- [1] Elizabeth Woolley (57), married, licensed victualler, born Wednesbury;
- [2] Ada S. Woolley (25), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Jane S. Lawrence (64), nurse, born Wednesbury;
- [4] Alice E. Royers (29), barmaid, born Bloxwich;
- [5] Martha Burton (20), general servant, born Kidderminster;
- [6] Carmi Millard (24), barman, born Coseley:

Midland Sun 17/6/1893 - Advert

“STAR AND GARTER HOTEL, High Street, West Bromwich / Ten minutes walk from Station / Louis Ford, Proprietor / Ales and Spirits of the Finest Quality / Cricket and Football Teams Specially Catered For.”

Ellen Eliza Birch – see also WAGGON AND HORSES, Tipton.

West Bromwich Weekly News 22/2/1913

“Edward Peel (25), Joseph Peel (24), both of IZONS ROAD; Thomas William Millichamp (24), Winkle Street; and Samuel Henton, Bond Street, were summoned for refusing to quit the premises of the STAR AND GARTER INN, High Street, occupied by *Julia Warren*.

Mr. J. S. Sharpe (Sharpe and Darby) appeared to prosecute.

It was stated that the four men entered the house shortly before closing time on Saturday night, and began to quarrel with other men. They refused to leave when requested, and a number of free fights were in progress when PC Hill came on the scene and cleared the premises.

Defendants denied the charge, but they were each fined 5s and costs, or 14 days’ hard labour.”

Jessie Sophia Matd Meir – see also ROSE AND CROWN.

Sophia Hicken = Sophia Hickin

Alexander Hadley was married to *Lilian Gertude*.
He died in 1930.

Aquilla Roach – see also BULLS HEAD, and ROYAL EXCHANGE.

Express and Star 17/12/1999

“Revellers at a West Bromwich pub may have been dreaming of a White Christmas – but certainly not the birth of a baby boy during their karaoke singalong.

A pregnant woman at the STAR AND GARTER pub had to cut the chorus short to have a baby. She was drinking with her partner last night but then alerted pub staff and gave birth in the bar.....”

[2008]

It was closed in August 2012 after a police raid.

Re-opened

[2014]



c. 1986



2014

STEAM GAUGE

Sams Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

[1920's]

STEAM PACKET

47, (49), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Adams, Spon Lane, West Bromwich
Thomas Twist
Betsy Twist
William Proctor, brewer, Edmund Street, Birmingham [1907]
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929]

LICENSEES

John Cashmore [1871] - **1874**;
Thomas Wootton (**1874 - 1875**);
John Tomalin (**1875**);
Joseph Howle (**1875**);
Thomas Twist (**1875 - 1896**);
Francis Twist (**1896 - 1905**);
Mrs. Betsy Twist (**1905 - 1907**);
James Pickering (**1907 - 1908**);
Arthur Edward Mumford (**1908**);
Herbert George Victor Proctor (**1908 - 1909**);
William Valentine Jones (**1909**);
William Alexander Sheldon (**1909 - 1912**);
William Henry 'Harry' Hooper (**1912**);
John Thomas Handley (**1912 - 1922**);
Thomas James Gardner (**1922 - 1925**);
Edward Jones (**1925**);
Harry Tapp (**1925 - 1932**);
Edward Samuel Fullwood (**1932 - 1942**);
Joseph William 'Joe' Pridmore (**1942 - 1952**);
William Thomas Woodhall (**1952 - 1953**);
Norman Berrington Gregory (**1953 - 1954**);
James Vickerstaff (**1954 - 1956**);
Leslie Howard Bennett (**1956 - 1959**);
Eric Every (**1959 - 1960**);
Derek Harold Fullard (**1960 - []**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Spon Lane – STEAM PACKET

- [1] *John Cashmore* (33), retail brewer, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Maria Cashmore* (30), wife, born Coventry;
- [3] *John G. Cashmore* (11), son, assistant brewer, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Joseph H. Cashmore* (9), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [5] *George R. M. Cashmore* (7), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Albert E. Cashmore* (4), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [7] *Alfred O. Cashmore* (3), son, scholar, born Birmingham:

Wednesbury Herald 24/1/1880

“On Tuesday morning last, as a platelayer named Thomas Dangland [Langland?] was proceeding along the Great Western Railway, he found the body of John Kelly (33), safe maker, 61, Cooper Street, Mayers Green, West Bromwich, lying near Trinity Road Bridge on the down line, with his head completely severed.

On Monday night he was in the STEAM PACKET INN, Spon Lane, and upon leaving he wished some persons ‘Goodbye’, and vaguely intimated that he intended to destroy himself.

An inquest was held on the body on Thursday, before Mr. Edwin Hooper (South Staffordshire Coroner). The body was formally identified by deceased’s wife, who stated that Kelly had been out of work for the past six weeks.

Annie Roach, domestic servant at the STEAM PACKET INN, Spon Lane, said the deceased was at the house named from six o’clock until half past seven o’clock, and when he was leaving he said, ‘Good night, and God bless you pray for me; I am prepared. I am going to do it.’ Witness replied, ‘Go on, you soft fool.’ She heard him say when in the tap room that he intended to put himself upon the rails. She thought he was joking. He did not say why he was going to destroy himself; but during the evening he remarked that he had been to his employer and asked for work, which was refused him. The other men in the tap room laughed at deceased’s threats, but witness did not hear any one of them say that he had not the courage to do so himself, or otherwise dare him to do it. He had had nothing to eat during the day, and the landlord’s son (Mr. Twist), gave him some bread and cheese, which he said he should take home for the children, he should never need anything more for himself.

Thomas Langland _____ platelayer deposed to finding the body of the deceased on the down line of the Great Western Railway near Trinity Road bridge, West Bromwich, with the hand and left leg completely severed.

The Coroner said he thought.....”

1881 Census

49, Spon Lane

- [1] *Thomas Twist* (62), publican, born Erdington;
- [2] *Caroline Twist* (56), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Joseph Twist* (21), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edwin Twist* (19), son, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Twist, beer retailer, 49, Spon Lane. [1888], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

49, Spon Lane

- [1] *Thomas Twist* (70), publican, born Erdington;
- [2] *Caroline Twist* (66), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Joseph Twist* (31), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Harriet Lunn* (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Staines* (12), grandson(?), scholar, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Frances Twist, beer retailer, 49, Spon Lane. [1900], [1904]

Smethwick Weekly News 12/1/1901

“On Saturday, a meeting of Court Love, 1908, was held at the STEAM PACKET INN, when a good number assembled for the purpose of receiving the resignation of Bro. J. Northwood (treasurer), who has held that position for over 20 years; also the appointment of a new treasurer. The CR (Bro. A. Reeves), occupied the chair, and was supported by Bros. Cashmore SCE, F. G. Gibson, C. Francis (secretary).....”

1901 Census

47, Spon Lane

- [1] *Francis Twist* (45), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Betsy Twist* (50), wife, born Greets Green, West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Adams* (29), son, brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Caroline Twist* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Twist* (15), son, whitesmith, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John T. Twist* (13), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Ada Beech* (16), visitor, tobacco shop assistant, born West Bromwich:

Court 'Love', Ancient Order of Foresters, met here. [1903]

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

Alfred Edward Mumford, beer retailer, 49, Spon Lane. [1908]

1911 Census

49, Spon Lane

- [1] *William Alexander Sheldon* (39), publican, born Burnt Tree;
- [2] *Sarah Sheldon* (32), wife, married 13 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William Leslie Sheldon* (11), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Raymond Alexander Sheldon* (6), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Leonard Victor Sheldon* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Emma Yates* (29), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Joseph Saunders* (50), boarder, grinder, carriage works, born West Bromwich:

William Sheldon, beer retailer, 49, Spon Lane. [1912]

John Thomas Handley – see also NEW BELL.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Dominoes League, North Division. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

James Vickerstaff – see also HALFWAY HOUSE.

A full license was granted on 8th March 1956, and confirmed on 18th April 1956.

A team from here were champions of the Smethwick Charity Darts League 'A' Section in 1966.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1966]

Closed

STOCKTAKERS ARMS

Golds Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Wolverhampton Chronicle 31/3/1858

“Yesterday (Tuesday) G. H. Hinchcliffe Esq., coroner, held an inquest at the STOCKTAKERS ARMS, Golds Green, on the body of Isaac Smith, a waggoner, aged 61 years. On Sunday evening last the deceased left his home in his usual health, and in about an hour afterwards was found dead in a field, a quantity of blood lying near him. Mr. Lewis, surgeon of Hill Top, stated that he had examined the body, and found an old wound in the leg, between the knee and the ankle: one of the arteries of the leg had burst, and the deceased died from loss of blood. Verdict accordingly.”

STONE CROSS

Walsall Road, (Hall Green Road), Stone Cross, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Sarah Sheldon, Bristol (later at Hall Green, West Bromwich)
James Stanton [1913] – **1928**
Darby's Brewery Ltd. (acquired in 1928)
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Sheldon (**1804** – [1851])
Walter Siddons [1860] – [1861]
John Barton [1868] – [1870]
William Martin [1872] – **1890**;
Mrs. Ann Martin (**1890** – **1897**);
William Fox (**1897** – **1900**);
Frank Fox (**1900** – **1907**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Gertude Fox (**1907**);
Alfred Edward Jarvis (**1907** – **1911**);
George Lawrence Burdett (**1911** – **1914**);
Samuel Baker (**1914** – **1920**);
Thomas Snead (**1920** – **1921**);
Albert Edgar Woodward (**1921** – **1951**);
Albert Edward Kirkham (**1951** – **1953**);
John Philip Bonas (**1953** – **1956**);
Albert Edward 'Ted' Woodward (**1956** – [1972])
Brian Narbett (**1979** – [1994])

NOTES

Stone Cross [1849], [1860]
Hall Green Road [1908], [1912]

The original pub was on the site of the present car park.

Blackcountryman (Spring 1969)

'These Inns Are Out'

“.....In 1804 *Thomas Sheldon* (no doubt dissatisfied with the rewards of his labour as the local blacksmith) applied for a license for his house, which stood adjacent to his smithy. He named his inn after the wayside cross that stood outside. The cross was the place where goods were left for the local people in times of plague, the money for the goods being left at a prearranged time.

Thomas Sheldon brewed his own beer on five days a week and his inn became a popular place of call for waggons en route for Birmingham. Much talk at the inn, no doubt, centred on the landlord's boast of once riding 100 miles on his chestnut mare without dismounting. The skeleton of the horse was found, incidentally, buried in the garden during demolition of the inn the original inn being demolished in 1933.....”

1851 Census

Stone Cross

- [1] *Thomas Sheldon* (69), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Sheldon* (71), wife, born Sheafshall, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Sarah Sheldon* (28), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ellen Sheldon* (17), niece, born Wednesbury:

1861 Census

Stone Cross – Public House

- [1] *Walter Siddons* (43), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Matilda Siddons* (41), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Thomas Marsh* (9), nephew, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jane Barlow* (19), house servant, born Liverpool:

John Barton was also a farmer. [1868], [1870]

Wednesbury Herald 11/8/1880

“A dinner promoted by several shopkeepers and licensed victuallers, has been held at the STONE CROSS INN. Mr. J. F. Rudge (Smethwick) presided. There were also present Messrs. T. Rushby (President of the Licensed Victuallers’ Association), W. Walker (President of the Retail Brewers’ Association).....”

1881 Census

STONE CROSS ARMS – Stone Cross

- [1] *William Martin* (45), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Martin* (43), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary Powel* (18), general servant, born Oldbury;
- [4] *Joseph Wheeler* (20), general servant, born Henington, Oxfordshire:

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/11/1881

“Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, held an inquest on Wednesday, at the STONE CROSS INN, touching the death of Joseph Martin (28), platelayer, of Birmingham, whose body was found on the London and North Western Railway near Bescott Junction, on Friday night. It appeared that deceased was working the earlier part of Friday with an extra gang, but owing to the wretched weather the men left work and went to the BULLS HEAD INN, Wednesbury. Deceased left to catch a train to Birmingham, and was not seen alive again. His head was completely smashed. The jury returned an Open Verdict.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 17/12/1881

“On Wednesday, an inquest was held before Mr. E. Hooper, at the STONE CROSS INN, relative to the death of James Green (39), living at Newton Road, who met with his death on Saturday, near Bescot Station. The evidence went to show that the deceased had been at work all day on Friday, and on Friday night he was on duty as a fog-signal man. He continued at work all day on Saturday. Shortly before four o’clock in the afternoon he called at the BULLS HEAD INN, Tame Bridge, and had two pints of ale. When there, he complained that he felt ill and giddy. He shortly afterwards left, and was not seen again alive. The body was found the following morning lying in the four foot, horribly mutilated.

The jury returned a verdict that deceased had been Accidentally Killed on the railway, but by what train there was no evidence to show.”

Wednesbury Herald 7/1/1882

“An inquest was held before Mr. E. Hooper, at the STONE CROSS INN, West Bromwich, on Monday, on the body of A. Burrows (44), labourer, Bustleholme, who was killed by a slip of sand in a sandpit belonging to Mr. Jeremiah Siddaway, near the Walsall Road, on Thursday.

Edward Woodaby, whom was with the deceased, was buried up to the shoulders with sand, but catching hold of the cart, which they had been loading, the horse started off and he was dragged out, escaping with injuries to his leg and ankle, which have prevented him following employment since.

A verdict of Accidentally Killed was returned.”

Wednesbury Herald 7/4/1883

“On Monday Mr. Edwin Hooper held an inquest at the STONE CROSS INN, West Bromwich, respecting the death of John Cattel (13), formerly residing at the Delves, Wednesbury, who met with his death on the London and North Western Railway, near Bescot Station, on the 20th ult.

John Duffield, said deceased was employed on the sewerage farm at Bescot, as pipe carrier. On the day of the accident witness sent him to a man named Suker, down the siding of the railway. He did not return, and in about an hour afterwards another lad came and told witness that deceased was killed on the railway.

Joseph Planton, goods guard, said on Thursday, about 2.30pm, he found the deceased in the six foot side on his back, close to the rails. He was then alive. Witness called the station master, who administered brandy and sent for a surgeon, but before the latter could arrive the lad died.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”

1891 Census

Walsall Street – STONE CROSS Public House

[1] *Ann Martin* (53), widow, licensed victualler, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Thomas W. Sheldon* (13), visitor, blacksmith's assistant, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Hannah Woolton* (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;

[4] *John Golder* (25), servant, waggoner, born North End, Warwickshire:

Ann Martin was fined £5 and costs, on 10th October 1892, for selling during prohibited hours.

William Fox, beer retailer, Hall Green Road. [1900]

1901 Census

Stone Cross – Tavern

[1] *Frank Fox* (25), licensed victualler, born Walsall;

[2] *Mary Ann Gertrude Fox* (26), wife, born Walsall;

[3] *Ellen Ann Fox* (2 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Lucy Griffin* (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Ernest Jamea Howell* (12), nephew, born Walsall:

Frank Fox was fined 10s and costs, on 12th April 1906, for selling to a child. He committed suicide in the cellar in 1907.

1911 Census

STONE CROSS INN

[1] *George Lawrence Burdett* (34), publican, born St. Marks, Leicester;

[2] *Amelia L. Burdett* (34), wife, married 6 years, born St. Michaels, Leicester;

[3] *Amelia L. Burdett* (14), daughter, born St. Michaels, Leicester;

[4] *George L. Burdett* (11), son, school, born St. Michaels, Leicester;

[5] *Frederick L. Burdett* (9), son, school, born St. Michaels, Leicester;

[6] *Ernest Sharpe* (26), brother in law, unmarried, barman, born St. Michaels, Leicester:

George Lawrence Burdett – see also BOOT AND SLIPPER.

Thomas Snead = Thomas Sneyd

Thomas Snead was an ex-police sergeant.

Albert Woodward was married to Edith.

‘The Best of Times: The Best of Places’ compiled by Dave Reeves

‘Life in the STONE CROSS Pub’ by Ivy King

“.....The old pub had a little parlour for the women, a tap room and a front bar There was a big lawn at the back of the pub

It was demolished in 1933
It was rebuilt and reopened in September 1934.

The Roman Catholic church held services here on Sunday mornings from 1947 until [1951].

Albert Edward Woodward was the son of *Albert*.
He married to Margaret in 1943.
He died aged 89.
See also HALFWAY HOUSE and OLD BELL.

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]
A team from here took part in the Stone Cross and District Dominoes League. [1951]

It was refurbished in 1984 at a cost of £500,000.

Brian Narbett was married to Joanna.

[2003]

Closed [2008]

Re-opened

[2012], [2014]



c. 1986



2014

STONE CUPPS

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Walter Siddings [1858]

STORES

125, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Arkinstall, High Street, West Bromwich
Bass and Co. Ltd.
Birmingham Breweries Ltd. [1901]
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd. [1902]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]

LICENSEES

David Gascoigne [] - **1891**);
William Thomas Edwards (**1891 - 1892**);
George Dimbylow (**1892 - 1893**);
Herbert Howles (**1893 - 1894**);
Edwin Hatton (**1894**);
Mary Tate (**1894**);
Samuel Bright Oliver (**1894 - 1895**);
Mary Ann Cole (**1895 - 1896**);
Thomas Hogg (**1896**);
William Henry Allen (**1896 - 1897**);
Hannah Grice (**1897 - 1898**);
Robert Charnock (**1898 - 1899**);
William Izon (**1899 - 1900**);
John Baugh (**1900**);
Charles Eastgate (**1900 - 1901**);
Mrs. Lucy Whetstone (**1901 - 1902**);
Joseph Hudson (**1902 - 1903**);
Thomas Taylor (**1903 - 1906**);
William James Payne (**1906 - 1907**);
Roger Ward (**1907 - 1934**);
Harold Passmore (**1934 - 1941**);
Charles Jeremiah McCarthy (**1941 - 1949**);
William Henry Thursfield (**1949 - 1958**);
James Lee (**1958 - []**)

NOTES

It was originally called the COACHMAKERS ARMS.

It had a beerhouse license.

1891 Census

125, High Street - COACHMAKERS ARMS

[1] *David Gascoigne* (56), beer seller, born Little Harwood, Buckinghamshire;

[2] *Eliza Gascoigne* (58), wife, born Shifnal, Shropshire;

[3] *Nellie L. Gascoigne* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Phoebe Acton* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

William Thomas Edwards – see also OAK TAVERN.

The name was changed to the STORES c. 1892.

Mary Ann Cole was fined 20s and costs, on 29th June 1896, for two cases of suffering gaming.

1901 Census

125, High Street

[1] *Charles Eastgate* (30), house keeper, born Swindley, Lincolnshire;

[2] *Florence Eastgate* (30), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Lucy Gadd* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Lucy Whetstone was a widow, formerly of Beeches Road, West Bromwich. She was born c. 1834, in Stourbridge.

Thomas Taylor, beer retailer, 125, High Street. [1904]

William James Payne – check also CRICKETERS ARMS.

1911 Census

125, High Street

[1] *Roger Ward* (49), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Harriett Ward* (46), wife, married 23 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Minnie Ward* (22), daughter, typist, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Mable Ward* (14), daughter, photographer's assistant, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Reginald Ward* (7), son, school, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Ada Hartwell* (18), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

STORES

High Street, (63, Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Birch and Rawlings, 41, Cherry Street, Birmingham
Jacob Page, 61, Burnt Tree, near Dudley
Charles Stackhouse, farmer, Woodhouse, Ledbury
Wordsley Brewery Co. Ltd. (leased)

LICENSEES

Samuel Jones [] - **1871**);
William Whittington (**1871** - []
Samuel Johns [] - **1871**);
John Higginson (**1871 - 1876**);
Thomas Baker (**1876**);
George Churchill Snr. (**1876 - 1891**);
George Churchill Jnr. (**1891**);
Thomas Rogers (**1891 - 1896**);
Mrs. Amelia Rogers (**1896**);
George Churchill (**1896 - 1897**);
David Churchill (**1897 - 1900**);
Solomon Sheldon (**1900 - 1906**);
James Bayley (**1906 - 1907**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

63, Hill Top

- [1] *George Churchill* (72), publican, born Dudley;
- [2] *Caroline Churchill* (74), wife, born Walsall:

George Churchill Snr. retired to Queen Street.

1891 Census

63, Hill Top – STORES INN

- [1] *George Churchill* (46), beer agent, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Phoebe Churchill* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *David Churchill* (6), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Frances Butler* (22), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Grainger* (4), visitor, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Rogers was married to *Amelia*.
He died in 1896.

1901 Census

Hill Top – STORES INN

- [1] *Solomon Sheldon* (38), miner, picking below, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Sheldon* (37), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John E. Sheldon* (18), son, follows leader below, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William J. Sheldon* (16), son, blacksmith, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lizzie Sheldon* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Annie Sheldon* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Harold Sheldon* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Emma Turner* (13), general servant, born Brierley Hill:

Solomon Sheldon, beer retailer, 63, Hill Top. [1904]

Check also GOLDEN CUP.

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 8th March 1906.

The license renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 26th June 1906.

The license was extinguished on 10th October 1907.

STORES

Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Walton, Dudley Road, West Bromwich
George Downing, maltster, Smethwick

LICENSEES

William Jones [] - **1876**);
Richard Timmins (**1876 - 1879**);
Eliza Jones (**1879** - []

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Check High Street.

STORES

Sandwell Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Dowdeswell and Spencer [1868] – [1870]

NOTES

Dowdeswell and Spencer, wine and spirit merchants, and agents for Bass's and other burton ales and Guinness, D'Arcy and Sons, and Findlater and Co.'s dublin stout. [1868]

STORK

Heathfield Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

[1875]

STOUR VALLEY

227, Spon Lane / Grice Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

James Reeves (later of Shirley, Birmingham)
Cheshire's Brewery Ltd. [1898]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]

LICENSEES

James Reeves [1868] – **1874**);
Titus Cooper Jnr. (**1874 – 1875**);
Mrs. Jane Cooper (**1875 – 1876**);
William Crees (**1876 – 1892**);
James Cox (**1892 – 1894**);
Henry 'Harry' Crees (**1894 – 1915**);
Henry 'Harry' Crees (**1915 – 1949**);
John Edward William Doherty (**1949 – [1951]**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

It was known locally as "Crees's".

James Reeves, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Spon Lane

- [1] *James Reeves* (46), grocer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Reeves* (46), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Mary Evans* (20), general servant, born Smethwick:

James Reeves was also a hay and corn dealer. [1873]

Titus Cooper was married to *Jane*.
He died in 1875.

1881 Census

227, Spon Lane – public house

- [1] *William Crees* (47), retail brewer, born Chichester, Sussex;
- [2] *Rebecca Crees* (46), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John H. Crees* (20), son, blacksmith, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Crees* (19), son, holloware turner, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Crees* (17), daughter, assistant in house, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *George Crees* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Fred Crees* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/2/1887

“On Wednesday night the annual meeting of the West Bromwich Retail Brewers’ Association was held at the STOUR VALLEY INN, Mr. J. Crees presiding. The report of the secretary (Mr. J. Lyman) stated that there were 104 members on the books, a decrease of 10 compared with last year.....”

William Crees, beer retailer, 227, Spon Lane. [1888], [1892]

1891 Census

227, Spon Lane

- [1] *William Crees (57)*, publican, born Chichester, Sussex;
- [2] *Rebecca Crees (57)*, wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Crees (25)*, daughter, tailoress, deaf and dumb, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Crees (22)*, son, balance maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Fred Crees (18)*, son, stain glass leader, born West Bromwich:

Harry Crees, beer retailer, 227, Spon Lane. [1896], [1900], [1904], [1908]

1901 Census

227, Spon Lane

- [1] *Henry Crees (45)*, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Crees (45)*, wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Millie Crees (16)*, daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Henry Crees (15)*, son, iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Nancy Crees (10)*, daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Lily Crees (6)*, daughter, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

227, Spon Lane

- [1] *Henry Crees (54)*, publican, ale, porter, cider, tobacco, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Crees (54)*, wife, married 33 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Henry Crees (24)*, son, iron founder, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Annie Crees (20)*, daughter, helps in father’s trade, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lilly Crees (15)*, daughter, helps in father’s trade, born West Bromwich:

A Publican’s License was granted on 8th February 1951, and confirmed on 17th April 1951.

A team from here were champions of the Smethwick and District Darts League ‘A’ Section in 1961/2.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1966], [1967], [1968]

It closed in 1972.

It was demolished for road widening.

STRUGGLING MAN

New Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

George Millward [1858] – [1860]
Mary Dyke [1887]

NOTES

STRINGERS INN [1858]
STRUGGLER [1860]

West Bromwich Weekly News 1/10/1887

“Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, held an inquest on Tuesday evening at the STRUGGLING MAN INN, Hill Top, respecting the death of Louisa Martin (21), domestic servant, of New Street, Hill Top, who died suddenly on Saturday.

Frances Martin, mother of the deceased stated that her daughter, who had been in the service of Mrs. Whitehurst returned home on the 23rd inst, and upon witness enquiring why she left her place deceased said she ran away because she was worried by the children and could not stand it. She also said her mistress was very angry with her and struck her with a poker; but she added that it did not hurt her, as it came down lightly on her arm.

The Coroner: Did she tell you that?

Witness: She said the blow did not hurt her. On the following morning deceased went to West Bromwich to fetch her box from the police station, and returned about twelve o'clock. She then stated that Mrs. Whitehurst would not allow her to take her box then, as the magistrates were in the room, and it could not be got out. Mrs. Whitehurst wished her parents to go with her for the box. Deceased had some bread and cheese for her dinner. Shortly afterwards she began to vomit, and went into the yard. Witness followed her, and upon forcing open the door of an outhouse she found deceased lying on the floor in a dying condition. She expired in about a quarter of an hour afterwards and before medical assistance could be procured. Several of witness's relatives had died suddenly.

Mr. Whitehurst asked witness if she knew what deceased was doing on Friday, to which she replied that deceased had told her she had wandered as far as Wolverhampton after leaving Mr. Whitehurst's house.

Mr. Whitehurst: Did you press her for a reason why she left our employment?

Witness: She said the children worried her, as she had not been accustomed to children.

Mrs. Whitehurst, wife of Superintendent Whitehurst, stated that she engaged the deceased through a Mrs. Smith, who keeps a registry office. Witness applied to a person with whom deceased had previously lived for a character, and the reply not being satisfactory, told deceased on Thursday that she was afraid that she would not suit her, to which she replied she did not like children. The statement made by the deceased to the effect that she (witness) struck her with a poker was totally untrue. She had never raised a poker to any servant in her employ. Deceased's father told witness that when they pressed her, she said it was because she squeezed one of the children's fingers. Witness never heard of one of the children's fingers being squeezed, and she did not speak angrily to the deceased, as she could see that she did as much work as her abilities would permit; but she could not do the whole of the work. On Friday morning she discovered that the deceased had left, and the front door was partly open. Witness sent a letter to her parents the same evening. On the following morning deceased came, and said she would return to her service, but witness declined to allow her to do so, as she had left her in a shabby way. Deceased told her that she did not know where she had been, and that she had wandered about. Deceased said she wanted to take her box, and witness told her she might do so if she brought one of her parents, as she was afraid the girl would not go home. In reply to the Coroner, witness stated emphatically that no angry words passed between her and the deceased.

The Coroner remarked that the jury had no evidence before them to show the cause of death, and he considered it would be more satisfactory to them and to the public if a post-mortem examination of the body were made. The jury agreed with the coroner's suggestion, and the enquiry was adjourned for a post-mortem examination to be made.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 8/10/1887

“The adjourned Inquest, on the body of Louisa Martin, was held on Monday at the STRUGGLING MAN, New Street, by Mr. E. Hooper.

Robert Tremble gave evidence that the girl died from heart disease. There were no marks of violence on the body. The coroner remarked that the girl’s statement as to having been struck with a poker was utterly untrue. The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death, and exonerated Mrs. Whitehurst from all blame.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 26/11/1887

“The adjourned inquest on the body of Thomas Price (19), of Jervoise Street, Swan Village, who was found dead on the railway about 10 yards in the Hill Top Tunnel on the 11th inst, was resumed on Tuesday afternoon, before Mr. E. Hooper (Coroner), at the Town Hall, West Bromwich.

Inspector Ledbrook appeared on behalf of the Railway Company, and Mr. A. F. Brookes, of Wednesbury, on behalf of the family of deceased.

Elizabeth Ellen Gorton, of Wednesbury, stated that deceased had been staying at their house for the last twelve months. On the 10th inst, he left the house, and said he was going up the street and should not be long away. She heard nothing further of him until the next morning. He had a silver watch and a gold chain on when he left the house. He had done a little horse racing, but she could not say whether he had lost any money or not. He was in good spirits when he left home. She was engaged to be married to him for four months, and they were as friendly as ever when he left.

Kate Arnold Price, sister of deceased, stated that her brother did a little dealing in pigs and horses for his livelihood. He spent part of his time at home and part at Mrs. Horton’s (?). She last saw her brother on Sunday night, the 5th inst. He collected rents for his mother, but she could not say whether they were all paid over.

In reply to Mr. Brookes, witness said that deceased should have had £12 in his pockets when found, he had been collecting rents.

Thomas Randall, corn merchant, of Wednesbury, stated that he saw the deceased at ‘The Struggler’ INN, at Hill Top, on the evening before his death. He had been with him previously at the BULLS HEAD INN. He saw deceased with a lot of money, and he knew his watch was going because he took it out to see what time a telegram was received. Mr. Jackson, the bookmaker, had the telegram about four o’clock. It was about the winner of the Liverpool Cup, and deceased had some money on that race, and would have won if he had received it, for he backed the winner. Deceased was drunk, but not incapable of walking.

A Juror: Do you think you did right to go and leave him there if he was drunk?

Witness: I thought a sleep would do him good. Witness further stated that several of the Siddon’s colliers went into the house before he left. He had a gold pin in his scarf, but witness did not remember seeing a ring on his finger. It would be 150 yards from there to where he was found, but he could not have possibly got on to the railway himself, as it would have been certain death before he got on to the line.

Mary Dyke, landlady of the STRUGGLING MAN INN, stated that on the 10th inst she remembered the last witness going to her house and paying for three drinks. German John then went in.

The Coroner: German John?

Witness: You know.

The Coroner: Really, I have not the honour of his acquaintance. (laughter)

Witness then stated that deceased went out the house very merry, and carried on a few games. She would swear that deceased did not have anything to drink in her house. Deceased and Mr. Randall seeing the tea things set, went into the back place, and deceased sat in an easy chair and went to sleep. They had their drinks together, and ‘German John’ and Randall left. She heard Mr. Randall say he had been winning on a horse that day. Deceased left her house about 6.30 alone, but she could not say which way he went. She could not say how many people were in the house at the time, but there were about five or six.

John Krauss (German John), a marine store dealer, of Wednesbury, stated that he went into the ‘Struggler’ to Mr. Randall and deceased on the 10th inst, when deceased was that drunk he could not walk. He was not in the house more than five minutes, but he afterwards went back, and saw deceased lying on a chair asleep. He walked to Wednesbury the same evening.

Thomas Wood, a watchman in the employ of the Great Western Railway Company, at Black Lake, stated that he was on duty on the morning of the 11th inst, and the signalman sent him word that something had been run over in the tunnel. He walked down until he found the corpse of the deceased, about ten yards in the tunnel at the Swan Village end. He was lying across the down line, cut in two. He then went for the police. He had not seen anyone pass that way during the night.

PC Wilson said that he found deceased lying in the tunnel, his head and shoulder lying on the down line facing West Bromwich. His feet and the body lay in the four foot, his feet towards Wednesbury. The back of his head was badly knocked about, and the fingers of the right hand were smashed. His coat and waistcoat were all unbuttoned. He found a copy book, and a copy of the 'Middleham Opinion', and a letter of an engagement from a tipster in London, and a tip for the Liverpool Cup, that was run on the 10th inst. He found £1 near the spot, and a gold ring. At the mortuary he made a further examination, and found a tobacco pouch and a latch key. He had searched the pawnshops for the watch and chain but could not find it. He had no reason to suspect that any foul play had been shown towards him. The left hand pocket where his watch was in had been cut open.

A Juryman suggested that the watch and chain had been forced into his inside. The last goods train would be 12.40, and the up goods train 1.5.

Inspector Ledbrook said he had made every enquiry to get information as to the train that killed the man, but he was unable to do so. The body was warm at two o'clock.

Frederick Jones, engine driver, stated that he was going through the tunnel he saw something on the down line, and called the pointsman's attention to it at Swan Village.

The Jury returned an Open Verdict that deceased was found killed on the railway, but there was no evidence to show how he got there."

SWAN

Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Walter Kay []

NOTES

Check High Street and Dudley Street.

SWAN

101, (85), Dudley Street, (Dudley Road), Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Wilkes Marsh, West Hill, Kings Heath, Birmingham
Charles Bailey, Hop and Barleycorn, Dartmouth Street, West Bromwich [1912]
John Joule and Sons Ltd. [1926]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. (acquired in 1971)

LICENSEES

Richard Sterry [1638] – [1655]
Wright []
Samuel Holloway [1810] – [1818]
Mrs. Ann Holloway [1830] – [1834]
Thomas Dedicoat [1841] – [1851]
R White [1858]
Benjamin While [1860] – [1872]
Mrs. Maria While [1873]
Charles McGuigan [1881]
Joseph Plant [1888] – **1900**);
John Beasley (**1900 – 1903**);
William Hensman (**1903 – 1905**);
George Brain (**1905 – 1913**);
Frank James Adams (**1913 – 1915**);
Daniel Yates (**1915 – 1934**);
Enoch Drew (**1934 – 1949**);
Samuel Thomas Butler (**1949 – 1958**);
Mrs. Ann Butler (**1958 – 1968**);
Joyce Partridge (**1968 – 1985**);
Sukhbir Singh (**1985 – 1992**):

NOTES

85, Dudley Road [1891], [1901]
85, Dudley Street
101, Dudley Street [1911]

SWAN HOTEL [1918]

The original building was built in 1550. ?

Coaching house [16th century]

Commercial [1830]

Coalmasters held a meeting here.

Blackcountryman (Vol. 18 No 3)

'The Swan, Swan Village'

".....The oldest pub in the town however, and said to be the first one actually built in the parish is the SWAN INN, from which Swan Village takes its name. The name evidently derives from the badge of Anne of Cleves and the inn is said to have existed in 1550. The earliest documented record of the inn, however, is recorded in the parish register 1655.....(cont'd)".

Richard Sterry was married to Alice.

A library was established here in 1770 by George Osborn.

Samuel Holloway was married to Ann.

Lord Dartmouth held court here.

Petty sessions were held here until 1834.

Thomas Dedicoat was also a farmer. [1845], [1849], [1850]

Thomas Dedicoat = Thomas Diddicott

It was rebuilt in 1860.

1871 Census

Dudley Road – SWAN INN

- [1] *Benjamin While* (66), licensed victualler, born Dudley;
- [2] *Maria While* (64), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *John Fry* (38), son in law, pattern maker, born Dudley;
- [4] *Eliza Fry* (36), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Clara Fry* (12), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *John Fry* (9), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Anne Fry* (5), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Sarah A. Cutler* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Mary Morris* (15), general servant, born Enville:

Wednesbury Herald 9/10/1880

"On Wenesday, Mr. Hooper (South Staffordshire Coroner), held an inquest at the SWAN INN, West Bromwich, on the body of John Flannery (35), forgerman, Hill Top, who was knocked down by a passing train and killed whilst walking on the line. Mr. Sheldon (Wednesbury) appeared to watch the proceedings on behalf of the relatives of the deceased, and Mr. Ledbrook represented the Great Western Railway Company.

John Clarke, signalman at Swan Village Railway Station crossing on the Wolverhampton side, said it was his duty to attend to the signals and also to collect tickets. When the 10.17 down train from Birmingham on Sunday night arrived he placed the signals 'all right' before leaving his box, and then he went over to collect the tickets. After the train had started he observed deceased in the middle of the line along which the train was passing, but there was not time to call him back again, nor had he the opportunity.

In returning a verdict of Accidental death, the jury appended a recommendation to the effect that the company should be requested to cause lock gates to be placed at the crossing.

Mr. Ledbrooke for the company, said it had already been decided that this should be done."

Wednesbury Herald 1/1/1881

“On Thursday, Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner) held an inquest at the SWAN INN, Swan Village, on the body of an infant named Mary Ann Hawkins, whose parents reside at Swan Village. On the 27th ult Mary Ann Hawkins, the mother of the deceased, was drinking at a neighbouring inn with her husband. She returned home sober, but her husband was the worse for drink. The mother stated, in evidence, that she found the child dead in bed at six o'clock on the following morning, and added that deceased and another child, four years old, slept between her and her husband. The jury returned a verdict to the effect that the child had died from suffocation, but whether accidental or otherwise there was not sufficient evidence to show. The parents of the deceased were called in and severely censured by the Coroner.”

[Mary Ann Hawkins was aged 5 weeks.]

1881 Census

85, Dudley Street – SWAN INN

- [1] *Charles McGuigan* (49), licensed victualler, born Scotland;
- [2] *Hannah McGuigan* (49), wife, born Gloucester;
- [3] *Henrietta McGuigan* (16), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Cooper* (21), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

85, Dudley Road – SWAN INN

- [1] *Joseph Plant* (37), licensed victualler, born Dudley;
- [2] *Annie Maria Plant* (34), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *Joseph Plant* (8), son, scholar, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *James Plant* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Ellen Plant* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Thomas Plant* (8 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Amelia Jones* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

85, Dudley Road – SWAN INN

- [1] *John Beasley* (30), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Minnie Beasley* (23), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *Phyllis Baker* (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Lane* (22), man servant, born West Bromwich:

George Brain was fined £1 and costs, on 2nd March 1905, for selling during prohibited hours.

1911 Census

101, Dudley Street – SWAN HOTEL

- [1] *George Brain* (33), licensed victualler, born Nottinghamshire;
- [2] *Agnes Brain* (30), wife, married 9 years, born Old Hill;
- [3] *Emmie Brain* (9), daughter, born Tipton;
- [4] *Sarah Ann Cartwright* (23), domestic servant, born Tipton:

Samuel Butler was married to *Ann*.

Joyce Partridge was *Ann Butler's* daughter in law.

It closed in 1992.

It was demolished in January 1993.

SWAN

69, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Mansell
F. Humphries, Hawkes Lane, West Bromwich
Thomas Griffiths
John Hickton, Old Cross Inn, Oldbury
John Rolinson and Sons Ltd. (acquired in 1906 for £1,600)
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd.

LICENSEES

Richard Humphries [1868] – [1873]
Thomas Mansell [] – **1876**;
Joseph Haywood (**1876 – 1879**);
Lucy Haywood (**1879**);
Charles Marsden (**1879 – []**)
Richard Humphries [1881]
Mrs. Louisa Humphries [1888] – [1889]
Henrietta Cotterill [] – **1890**;
Thomas Griffiths (**1890 – 1891**);
Miss Sarah Griffiths (**1891 – 1896**);
Ernest Wilfred Hickton (**1896 – 1906**);
Arthur Robert Harding (**1906 – 1907**);
William Hammond (**1907 – 1909**);
Amos Jones (**1909 – 1914**);
Albert Edward Hall (**1914 – 1915**);

NOTES

WHITE SWAN [1872], [1876], [1891], [1895]

It had a six-day beerhouse license.

Richard Humphries, grocer and spirit vaults, Hawkes Lane. [1868]
He was described as being also a grocer. [1872]
He was described as being also a grocer and provision dealer. [1873]

Joseph Haywood was married to *Lucy*.
He died in 1879.

1881 Census

69, Hawkes Lane

- [1] *Richard Humphries* (59), grocer and licensed victualler, born Frome, Somerset;
- [2] *Louisa Humphries* (60), wife, born Frome, Somerset;
- [3] *William S. Humphries* (32), son, grocer's assistant, born Tipton;
- [4] *Laura Humphries* (30), daughter, school teacher, born Tipton;
- [5] *Mary Humphries* (25), daughter, school teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alfred Humphries* (23), butcher, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Walter Humphries* (21), school teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Ernest Humphries* (19), engine fitter at works, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Frank Humphries* (17), pupil teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Elizabeth Sheppard* (52), sister in law, assistant in grocer's shop, born Frome, Somerset;
- [11] *Lavinia Sheppard* (50), sister in law, assistant in grocer's shop, born Frome, Somerset;

Mrs. *Louisa Humphries*, grocer and beer retailer, 69, Hawkes Lane. [1888]

1891 Census

69, Hawkes Lane – WHITE SWAN INN

- [1] *Sarah Griffiths* (21), unmarried, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
 - [2] *Frederick Griffiths* (10), brother, born West Bromwich;
 - [3] *Paul W. Griffiths* (11), brother, scholar, born West Bromwich;
 - [4] *Frank Griffiths* (13), brother, born West Bromwich;
 - [5] *Louetta Moseley* (18), general servant, born Derby;
- [Was Sarah the daughter of Thomas, who had died recently?]

Wednesbury Herald 20/7/1895

“..... Messrs. T. Harford and Son, to Brewers, Maltsters, Licensed Victuallers

Lot 4. All that Old Established and Valuable Freehold Licensed Public House, known as the WHITE SWAN INN, situate and numbered 69, Hwwkes Lane, Hill Top, aforesaid, in the occupation of Miss *S. Griffiths* at an estimated rental of £60 per annum

West Bromwich Weekly News 6/1/1900

“On Tuesday, whilst two miners were working at the Crookhay Colliery, a serious ‘bump’ occurred and a large quantity of coal fell, killing instantaneously one man named James Cooper (49) of Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, and fracturing the thigh and forearm of another, John Wilkinson (40) of 27, Chapel Street, Carters Green, who was taken to the District Hospital for treatment.

On Wednesday afternoon, Mr. James Clark (Coroner) opened an enquiry at the WHITE SWAN INN, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, into the circumstances attending the death of Cooper

The man John Wilkinson succumbed to his injuries at one o'clock on Thursday afternoon. The inquest was opened last night at the Law Court.....”

[See WHITE HORSE, Crookhay Lane.]

Ernest Hickton, beer retailer, 69, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top. [1904]

1911 Census

69, Hawkes Lane

- [1] *Amos Jones* (47), iron worker, mill furnace, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Jones* (46), wife, married 26 years, born London;
- [3] *Alice Jones* (25), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Matilda Jones* (24), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Amos Jones* (22), son, iron worker, roller, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Nellie Jones* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Lizzie Jones* (19), daughter, tailoring, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Sidney Jones* (13), son, office boy, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *May Jones* (10), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Marrie Jones* (7), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Ernest Lewis* (27), boarder, spring fitter, born West Bromwich:

Amos Jones – see also BRITISH OAK, Hawkes Lane.

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1915.

The license renewal was refused on 8th June 1915.

The license was extinguished on 30th September 1915.

SWAN

High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

William Davis [1871]

NOTES

1871 Census

High Street – The SWAN

[1] *William Davis* (55), publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Sarah Davis* (62), wife, born Cherrington, Shropshire;

[3] *Michael Judge* (35), lodger, bricklayer's labourer, born Ireland;

[4] *Sarah Ann Raybould* (17), general servant, born Birmingham:

SWAN +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Albert Courbney [] - **1870**);
James Brookes (**1870** - []

TALBOT

62, (42), Dudley Street, (Dudley Road), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Letts

Arthur James Price, Lewisham Brewery, West Bromwich

Holder's Brewery Ltd.

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

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LICENSEES

William Letts [1872] - **1873**

William Letts [1881] - **1894**;

George Wainwright (**1894 - 1896**);

James Francis Bradney (**1896 - 1900**);

William Tomlinson (**1900 - 1904**);

William Derry (**1904 - 1922**);

William Charles Shaw (**1922 - 1925**);

Edward Lloyd (**1925 - 1934**);

George Charles James (**1934 - 1935**);

Thomas Edward Box (**1935 - 1939**);

Gilbert Milner (**1939 - 1954**);

Frank Victor Akers (**1954 - 1955**);

Cain Mayer (**1955 - 1958**);

Samuel Edwin Stockley (**1958 - []**)

Victor Hodgetts [1976]

Paul Gibbons [1992]

Brian Vaux [1993]

NOTES

42, Dudley Street [1881], [1888], [1889], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1901], [1904]

62, Dudley Street [1912]

It was originally called the ROYAL EXCHANGE.

Its name was changed to the NEW TALBOT.

TALBOT HOTEL [1891], [1892], [1896], [1904], [1908], [1912]

It was known locally as "The Lamp".

Dudley Herald 10/5/1873

"The adjourned inquest upon the body of *William Lett*, landlord of the TALBOT INN, West Bromwich, was held on Friday morning at the BOAT INN, Birchfield Lane, Oldbury Mr. Sainsbury, who made the examination [post mortem], expressed his opinion that death had resulted from injury to the brain, caused by the accident."

West Bromwich Weekly News 1/1/1881

“The same day [Thursday] an inquest was held at TALBOT INN, Dudley Road, touching the death of Enoch Genders, aged 16 months. A verdict of Death from Suffocation was returned.”

1881 Census

42, Dudley Street – TALBOT INN

- [1] *William Letts* (22), licensed victualler, born Halesowen;
- [2] Clara Letts (22), wife, born Walsall;
- [3] Lavinia Brownhill (23), general servant, born Tipton:

West Bromwich Weekly News 17/12/1881

“Mr. E. Hooper held an inquest at the TALBOT INN, Dudley Road, West Bromwich, on Monday, on the body of Henry Crow (57), boot and shoe maker, of No.1, Claypit Lane, West Bromwich, who died from suffocation on Friday afternoon. Deceased, who was a man of intemperate habits, had been in the GREAT WESTERN beerhouse, Chapel Street, when he was given a piece of cooked beef. He complained of the meat being tough and soon afterwards appeared to be choking. Dr. Delaney was called in, and put an instrument into deceased’s throat. The instrument meeting with no opposition the doctor applied an emetic of mustard and water, but that had no effect; and Dr. Brown, who was then sent for, made an incision for the purpose of producing respiration, but this also had no effect, and the man died almost immediately.

The verdict returned was Suffocation by attempting to swallow a piece of beef.”

1891 Census

42, Dudley Street – TALBOT HOTEL

- [1] *William Letts* (32), widower, licensed victualler, born Halesowen;
- [2] Annie Letts (9), daughter, born West Bromwich:

James Francis Bradney, beer retailer, 42, Dudley Street. [1900]

1901 Census

42, Dudley Street

- [1] *William Tomlinson* (51), licensed victualler, born Stafford;
- [2] Elizabeth A. Tomlinson (53), wife, born Stone;
- [3] Albert Tomlinson (25), son, traveller (timber trade), born Stone;
- [4] Gertrude Tomlinson (23), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [5] Frederick Tomlinson (21), son, insurance clerk, born Smethwick;
- [6] Thomas T. Tomlinson (20), son, timber trade apprentice, born Smethwick;
- [7] Lizzie Tomlinson (18), daughter, born Smethwick;
- [8] Ernest R. Tomlinson (16), son, railway clerk, born Smethwick;
- [9] Francis V. Tomlinson (13), son, born Smethwick:

Smethwick Weekly News 25/10/1902

“*William Tomlinson* (52), landlord of the TALBOT INN, Dudley Road, was charged with being drunk and disorderly in Paradise Street on Thursday night. Mr. J. Clark defended.

PC Hill deposed to seeing the defendant near to Crowther’s Mews about 10.25 on the night in question. He was drunk and making use of bad language. He refused to go away. A man named Yates invited him to take a cab home, but this he declined to do, also. PS Wilson came upon the scene, and as the defendant continued his bad behaviour he was taken to the Police Station. PC Whitehouse and PS Wilson gave corroborative evidence. It was alleged that the defendant said he would give £5 if he was released by the officers, when being escorted to the station.

Mr. Clark, for the defence, contended that the police made a mistake as to the defendant’s condition. He had had a dispute at the railway station over a ticket, and was simply a little excited, and became even more so when one of the constables said he was drunk. He asked to see Chief Superintendent Whitehurst at the Police Station, but was told he was out, and he also asked for a doctor to be sent for, but the police would not send for one.

The magistrates, after consulting with the Clerk (Mr. H. Jackson) for about three quarters of an hour in private, dismissed the case. Alderman Pitt observing that if the police had carried out the defendant’s request and called in a doctor the question as to the man’s condition at the time would have decided beyond any doubt.”

1911 Census

62, Dudley Road

[1] *William Derry* (42), licensed victualler, born Wednesbury;

[2] *Annie Derry* (36), wife, married 20 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Hannah Simm* (26), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

William Derry was fined £2 and £2 4s 6d special costs, on 16th December 1915, for giving over measure of beer.

Edward Lloyd was fined £2 and £5 5s 0d special costs, on 31st May 1934, for supplying intoxicating liquor otherwise than during permitted hours.

Clayton Lodge (No. 4865) of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes met here. [1935]

Thomas Box – see also HIGHLAND LADDIE.

Frank Victor Akers – see also HEN AND CHICKENS, Hill Top.

Cain Mayer – check also FOUR WAYS, Rowley Regis.

Closed

It was demolished in 1996.



c. 1986



1996

TALBOT

40, Queen Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Wood
Mr. Stokes, agent of Mr. Wood
William Butler and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Wood [1871] – **1874**);
William Steele (**1874 – 1881**);
Alfred Kendrick (**1881 – 1884**);
Thomas James Shakespeare (**1884 – 1885**);
Arthur Waldron (**1885 – 1890**);
Major George Cox (**1890 – 1892**);
George West (**1892 – 1905**);
George Bertram (**1905 – 1906**);
Charles Hearn (**1906 – 1909**);
Joseph Henry Thompson (**1909 – 1935**);
Ernest James Holland (**1935 – 1938**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Queen Street

- [1] *William Wood* (65), brewer, born Burton on Trent;
- [2] *Hannah Wood* (61), wife, born Stratford, Essex;
- [3] *Emma Barker* (46), sister, unmarried, out of employ, born Stratford, Essex;
- [4] *Frederick Clough* (25), son, labourer, born Bow, Middlesex;
- [5] *Walter Clough* (17), son, blacksmith, born Bow, Middlesex;
- [6] *Frances E. Smith* (8), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Henry Wood* (6), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

40, Queen Street – TALBOT INN

- [1] *Alfred Kendrick* (33), married, beer seller, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Robert Kendrick* (25), brother, grocer's assistant, born Tunstall, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Elizabeth Roberts* (20), visitor, born Dudley Port;
- [4] *Harriet Vaughan* (19), general servant, born Walsall:

Arthur Waldron, beer retailer, 40, Queen Street. [1888], [1889]
He was fined £7 and costs, on 21st August 1890, for two cases of permitting betting.

Major George Cox, beer retailer, 40, Queen Street. [1892]

West Bromwich Weekly News 19/5/1900

“West Bromwich and District Trade Association. A meeting in connection with the above association was held on Wednesday afternoon at Mr. *George West*'s TALBOT INN, Queen Street, West Bromwich, under the presidency of Mr. J. S. Round of Smethwick.....”

1901 Census

40, Queen Street – TALBOT INN

- [1] *George West* (52), beer retailer, born London;
- [2] *Hannah West* (51), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Arthur West* (23), son, iron moulder, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Samuel West* (20), son, mineral water salesman, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ernest West* (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Theophilus West* (13), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Connie Wes* (5), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Fanny Sheldon* (23), niece, born West Bromwich:

G. West was a committee member of West Bromwich and District Licensed Victuallers' Association.
[1902]

George West, beer retailer, 40, Queen Street. [1904]
Check also NEW BELL, and QUEENS HEAD.

Charles Hearn was fined £5 and costs, on 3rd December 1908, for contravening the Betting Act 1853. He was fined £10 and costs, on the following day, for a similar offence. This was quashed on appeal.

1911 Census

Queen Street – TALBOT INN

- [1] *Joseph Henry Thompson* (54), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ann Maria Thompson* (50), wife, married 31 years, at home, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Rose Thompson* (25), daughter, manageress in grocer's shop, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *May Thompson* (21), daughter, school teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Edith Thompson* (16), daughter, dressmaker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Dorcas Thompson* (13), daughter, at home, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Joseph Thompson* (10), son, school, born West Bromwich:

The license was to be surrendered on the Final Order for the Ordinary Removal of the GOLDEN LION, Witton Lane, to premises at Hall Green Road.

The license was, in fact, surrendered and the premises closed on 3rd October 1938.

TALBOT

104, Union Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Archer Sutton
Richard Parker
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Sutton []
Archer Sutton [1868] - **1875**);
Richard Parker (**1875 - 1890**);
James Cleal Hawker (**1890 - 1909**);
Joseph James Paddock (**1909 - 1925**);
Phineas Frank Paddock (**1925 - 1928**);
William Ernest Lockley (**1928 - 1930**);
George Henry Smith (**1930 - 1931**);
John Goode (**1931 - 1938**);
Ernest Bevan (**1938 - 1944**);
Ernest Foxall (**1944 - 1949**);
Edwin William Harry Moore (**1949 - 1952**);
James George Humphries (**1952 - 1953**);
Albert Edward Adams (**1953 - 1954**);
Clive Sidney Fisher (**1954 - 1955**);
Robert John Lawton (**1955 - 1956**);
Alexander Farquhar Winning (**1956 - 1958**);
Joseph Skidmore (**1958 - 1959**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Archer Sutton, beer retailer, Union Street. [1868]

1871 Census

Union Street - The TALBOT

[1] *William Sutton* (60), widower, formerly publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Archer Sutton* (31), son, publican and grocer, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Ann Nicholls* (28), general servant, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Mary Ann Reeves* (22), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

Union Street – TALBOT INN

- [1] *Richard Parker* (33), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Parker* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Clemson* (15), son, shopman, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edward Clemson* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Richard Parker* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Arthur Parker* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *George Parker* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Annie Parker* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *William Parker* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Fanny Howns* (?) (21), domestic servant, born Dudley:

1891 Census

104, Union Street

- [1] *James C. Hawker* (34), unmarried, beer seller and grocer, born Muckleford, Worcestershire;
- [2] *John Hawker* (37), brother, born Muckleford, Worcestershire:

1901 Census

104, Union Street

- [1] *James C. Hawker* (43), unmarried, grocer, (shopkeeper) and publican, Muckleford, Dorsetshire;
- [2] *Annie Tinnis* (?) (23), general servant, born Langley:

James Cleal Hawker, grocer and beer retailer, 104, Union Street. [1904]

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League, South Division. [1946]

A full license was granted on 8th February 1951, and confirmed on 17th April 1951.

Provisional Ordinary Removal to premises at the corner of Gorse Farm Road and Langford Avenue was confirmed on 15th April 1958. [This was the RED ADMIRAL, Hamstead.]

The Final Order was granted on 5th March 1959, and the house closed at 10pm on 25th March 1959.

TALBOT

Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Ann Yoe [1818]

Edward Beddoe [1830] – [1835]

Samuel Beddoe [1841] – [1842]

Charles Davis [1849] – [1851]

John Gittoes [1858] – [1865]

NOTES

Edward Beddoe = Edward Beddard

Edward Beddard (sic) was also a colliery agent. [1834]

THREE CROWNS

16, (10), Great Bridge Street, (16, Swan Village), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Thompson, Langley Green, Oldbury
Charles King, Langley Green, Oldbury
Nunneley and Co. Ltd.
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945], [1965]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Thomas Glover [1868] – [1872]
Mrs. Elizabeth Glover [1873]
Charles McGuigan [1888]
Robert James Roberts [1889] – **1891**);
George Woodhall (**1891**);
George Hale (**1891 – 1893**);
Thomas Roberts (**1893 – 1895**);
Charles Watson (**1895 – 1897**);
Henry David Morgan (**1897 – 1898**);
Henry Ellis (**1898**);
John Barnes Deakin (**1898 – 1900**);
James Ellis (**1900 – 1901**);
William McDonnell (**1901**);
John Finnemore (**1901 – 1902**);
Rose Holden (**1902 – 1903**);
Henry Saunders (**1903 – 1905**);
George Albert Harrison (**1905 – 1906**);
Frederick Burford (**1906 – 1928**);
Joseph William Marston (**1928 – 1930**);
James Henry Butler (**1930 – 1931**);
Charles Howard Blizzard (**1931 – 1938**);
Joseph Groom (**1938 – 1953**);
Edward Terry (**1953 – 1954**);
George Walker (**1954 – 1956**);
William Davis (**1956 – 1957**);
Robert Sneddon (**1957 – 1959**);
Thomas Pearsall (**1959 – 1961**);
Thomas Arthur Harris (**1961 – []**)
Arthur Williams (**1962 – 1969**)

NOTES

16, Swan Village [1888], [1891], [1892], [1896], [1901]
16, Great Bridge Street [1900], [1904], [1908], [1911], [1912]
10, Great Bridge Street

1871 Census

Dudley Road, Swan Village – THREE CROWNS INN

- [1] *Thomas Glover* (46), licensed victualler, born Sutton Coldfield;
- [2] *Elizabeth Glover* (51), wife, born Dudley;
- [3] *Sarah Hickman* (13), niece, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Edward Fellows* (15), nephew, born Birmingham:

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/4/1887

“The first annual dinner of the Swan Village Works Football Club took place on Saturday, at the THREE CROWNS, Swan Village, the chair occupied by Councillor S. Lees, and the vice chair by Mr. Morgan.....”

1891 Census

16, Swan Village – THREE CROWNS INN

- [1] *George Woodhall* (27), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Emily Woodhall* (25), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Lilian Woodhall* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Polly Woodhall* (22), sister, barmaid, born West Bromwich:

George Woodhall – check also APPLE TREE, Oldbury.

Charles Watson was fined 10s and costs, on 17th December 1896, for being drunk on his own licensed premises.

Smethwick Telephone 3/4/1897

“.....To Brewers, Capitalists and Others. Sale of an Important and Valuable Freehold Full-licensed House
.....Free Full-licensed House and Premises known as the THREE CROWNS, Swan Village. The house contains Capital Front Bar and Tap Room, Smoke Room, Kitchen, Good Cellaring, Four Bedrooms, and Commodious Club Room. In the yard, which is approached by a Gateway Entrance from Phoenix Street, are Coach-house, Capital Stabling for three horses, with Loft over; Malt Room, Scullery and Brew-house, Coal-house, Two Closets, Piggeries &c. Actual possession can be had at Midsummer.”

1901 Census

16, Swan Village – THREE CROWNS INN

- [1] *William McDonnell* (52), licensed victualler, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Anne McDonnell* (45), wife, born Ireland;
- [3] *Mary McDonnell* (22), daughter, elementary teacher, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] *Anne McDonnell* (20), daughter, elementary teacher, born Wolverhampton;
- [5] *Catherine McDonnell* (18), daughter, dressmaker, born Wednesbury;
- [6] *Knywhen(?) McDonnell* (16), daughter, elementary teacher, born Wednesbury;
- [7] *Ellen McDonnell* (13), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
- [8] *Agnes McDonnell* (11), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
- [9] *Eva McDonnell* (9), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
- [10] *Gertrude McDonnell* (7), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
- [11] *Norah McDonnell* (5), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
- [12] *Teresa McDonnell* (3), daughter, born Wolverhampton:

1911 Census

16, Great Bridge Street

[1] *Frederick Burford* (53), licensee, born Birmingham;

[2] *Florence Burford* (43), wife, married 20 years, born Birmingham;

[3] *William Burford* (18), son, plumber, born Birmingham;

[4] *Ernest Burford* (17), son, woodturner, school furniture maker, born Birmingham:

Joseph William Marston – check also HOP AND BARLEYCORN, Tipton, and WELLINGTON, Tipton.

Charles Howard Blizzard – check also ROYAL HOTEL, Tipton.

Arthur Williams was married to Iris.

It closed in 1969.

THREE CROWNS

148, (33), Hill Top, (148, High Street, Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Frederick Birch, Great Barr (later at 178, Bristol Road, Birmingham)
Holder's Brewery Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

John Parkes [1818]
James Robins [1834] – [1835]
John Collins [1841] – [1842]
Thomas George [1845] – [1861]
Joseph Millership [1864] – [1865]
S J Green [1864] – [1865]
John Timmins [1868] – **1869**;
Daniel Gorton (**1869** – [1873])
Margaret Barnsley [1881]
John Munday [1888] – [1889]
Thomas Timmins [1891]
Mrs. Elizabeth Timmins [1891] – **1893**;
David Ramsell (**1893** – **1898**);
Mrs. Selina Ramsell (**1898** – **1899**);
John Hill (**1899** – **1904**);
John Charles Joesbury (**1904** – **1905**);
Frank Griffiths (**1905** – **1907**);
William Blagburn Williamson (**1907**);
David Brookes (**1907** – **1908**);
Noah Ride (**1908** – **1910**);
Mrs. Lucy Ada Stranger (**1910** – **1922**);
George Harry Gibson (**1922** – **1949**);
Bernard Oswald Pratt (**1949** – **1953**);
John Frederick Harris (**1953** – **1957**);
Robert Joseph Williams (**1957** – [])

NOTES

33, Hill Top [1861]
148, Hill Top [1881], [1908], [1912]
148, High Street, Hill Top [1891], [1901],

It stood opposite to Hill Top Library.

John Parkes was also a boot maker. [1818]

1851 Census

Hill Top

- [1] *Thomas George* (42), victualler, born Bilston;
- [2] *Ann George* (42), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *William George* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Benjamin George* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Samuel George* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah George* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Jane B. George* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Elizabeth Allen* (18), house servant, born Tipton:

1861 Census

33, Hill Top – THREE CROWNS INN

- [1] *Thomas George* (54), victualler, born Bilston;
- [2] *Ann George* (50), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Benjamin George* (19), son, coach smith, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah George* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Jane George* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Tadono Ingram* (19), visitor, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

Hill Top – THREE CROWNS INN

- [1] *Daniel Gorton* (31), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Ellen Gorton* (31), wife, born Broseley, Shropshire;
- [3] *Daniel Gorton* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Maria Gorton* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Albert Gorton* (3), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah Key* (18), general servant, born Wednesbury:

Midland Counties Evening Express 9/2/1875

“A strike has just commenced at the Coles Farm Colliery, Hill Top, by which about seven hundred miners are now out of employment. The cause of the dispute is that the Company want to enforce certain rules to which the men strongly object. The first rule is that the pikemen shall only receive their allowances coal after doing 30 turns, instead of 24, and that it shall be at the discretion of the manager to say from what seam the coal shall be supplied; whereas it has always been the custom to send the coal from the seam at which the miner was working. Another obnoxious rule to the miners engaged at the colliery is the one proposing that in future the men’s time shall be taken and made up on Friday, instead of Saturday. The men object that this would practically be keeping one day’s pay in hand. At a meeting held this morning at the THREE CROWNS INN, Hill Top, the men passed a resolution unanimously pledging themselves not to return to work until the rule was withdrawn. Mr. Griffiths, mine agent, said that the men would be well supported by the miners of the district in the course they took in resisting the rules.”

Wednesbury Herald 10/1/1880

“A meeting of miners was held at the THREE CROWNS INN, Hill Top, West Bromwich, on Monday night, to take into consideration the advisability of demanding an alteration of the Birmingham agreement or sliding scale which regulates the wages of the men. An address was delivered by Mr. Griffiths (miners’ agent), who stated that if the men would co-operate and become members of the union – thus strengthening the hands of the officers – it would be possible to bring about the desired alteration in the agreement; and he went on to show that inasmuch as only 3-11ths of the working time had been taken off, the comparative sum of money, and no more, should be deducted from the wages according to the sliding scale. He urged that an alteration was really necessary in the interests of the men, and stated that the agreement never was what it ought to have been. (Hear, hear)

Several speakers complained of the agreement, which they contended that it did not give them enough wages; and it was received that the union should be strengthened that they might be able to secure the alteration referred to.”

1881 Census

148, Hill Top – THREE CROWNS INN

- [1] *Margaret Barnsley* (56), widow, innkeeper, born Amblecote;
- [2] *William H. Barnsley* (25), son, clerk, unemployed, born Old Hill;
- [3] *Charles H. Barnsley* (23), son, clerk, born Old Hill;
- [4] *Ann L. Barnsley* (19), daughter, barmaid, born Old Hill;
- [5] *Jane E. Nuswerby* (19), pianist, born Smethwick;
- [6] *Annie Billingham* (17), domestic servant, born Cradley;
- [7] *Frank H. Barnsley* (8), grandson, scholar, born Rowley:

1891 Census

148, High Street – Public House

- [1] *Thomas Timmins* (80), licensed victualler, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Elizabeth Timmins* (68), wife, born Kingswinford;
- [3] *Elizabeth Munday* (28), stepdaughter, born Wall Heath;
- [4] *Mary Jones* (50), general servant, born Oakengates, Staffordshire:

Elizabeth Timmins was fined 10s and costs, on 21st May 1891, for permitting drunkenness.

David Ramsell was fined £1 and costs, on 28th November 1893, for permitting drunkenness.

He was married to *Selina*.

He died in 1898.

John Hill, beer retailer, 148, Hill Top. [1900], [1904]

1901 Census

148, High Street

- [1] *John Hill* (42), publican, born Brierley Hill;
- [2] *Ruth Hill* (42), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Anne Smith* (19), domestic servant, born Brierley Hill:

John Hill was a committee member of the West Bromwich and District LVA. [1902]

On 8th February 1906, the Justices set a condition that the door at the rear of the premises, leading through a Gateway into a public passage, should only be used for unloading beer and coal, and domestic use.

William Blagburn Williamson – check also RED LION.

David Brookes, beer retailer, 148, Hill Top. [1908]

Mrs. Lucy Stranger, beer retailer, 148, Hill Top. [1912]

George Harry Gibson died in 1949.

A team from here took part in the Hill Top Victory Darts League. [1946]

It closed on 28th September 1969.

The license was transferred to the HILLCREST.

It was demolished in 1970.

THREE FURNACES

64, (14), (24), Bagnall Street, Golds Green, (Golds Hill), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Messrs. Tilley and Jones
William Jinks
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1895]

LICENSEES

James Pershouse [1834] – [1842]
Frederic Bladdes* [1841]
Frederick James Blades* [1845] – [1851]
James Pershouse [1858] – [1865]
Joseph Gutteridge [1868] – **1870**;
William Stephenson (**1870** – [1881])
William Jinks [1888] – **1895**;
William Tart (**1895** – **1897**);
John Thomas Webster (**1897** – **1902**);
Thomas Vincent (**1902** – **1904**);
William Herbert Chidley (**1904** – **1906**);
John Lewis Maybury (**1906** – **1910**);
Moses Martin Baggott (**1910** – **1913**);
Joseph Clark Snr. (**1913**);

NOTES

24, Bagnall Street [1871]
14, Bagnall Street [1881]
64, Bagnall Street [1901], [1911]

* probably the same person.

1841 Census

Golds Green

- [1] *Frederic Blades* (35), innkeeper;
- [2] Hannah Blades (40), born Staffordshire;
- [3] Elizabeth Blades (6), born Staffordshire;
- [4] *James Pershouse* (15), born Staffordshire;
- [5] Sarah Pershouse (14), born Staffordshire;
- [6] Hannah Pershouse (12), born Staffordshire;
- [7] Martha Wilks (20), fs, born Staffordshire:

Frederick James Blades was also a shopkeeper. [1845], [1849], [1850]

1851 Census

Pershhouse Building

- [1] *Frederick J. Blades* (47), victualler and machinist, born Stoke Bruerne, Northamptonshire;
- [2] Ann Blades (43), wife, born Norton, Staffordshire;
- [3] Elizabeth Blades (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Frederick J. Blades (13), son, born West Bromwich:

James Pershouse = James Purshouse

1861 Census

Bagnall Street

- [1] *James Pershouse* (35), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Sarah Pershouse (24), wife, born Wednesbury;
- [3] Hannah Pascall (?) (19), house servant, born Tipton:

1871 Census

24, Bagnall Street

- [1] *William Stephenson* (65), publican, Bromyard, Herefordshire;
- [2] Maria Stephenson (59), wife, born Brettell Lane;
- [3] Eliza Stephenson (31), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] William Henry (29), son, unknown, born West Bromwich;
- [5] William John Maybury (16), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Dudley Herald 22/4/1876

“*William Stephenson*, publican, Golds Green and his daughter, Eliza Stephenson, were charged under the Bankruptcy Act with conspiring to defraud the creditors of Messrs. Tilley and Jones, lately carrying on business as coalmasters at West Bromwich on a few days before the 16th June – the day upon which Messrs. Tilley and Jones filed their petition for liquidation – the lease of the house in which *Stephenson* lived, the THREE FURNACES INN was renewed by Jones, the firm of which the latter was a partner, being the owners of the property committed to the next Staffordshire Assizes.”

- They were found not guilty.

Wednesbury Herald 24/1/1880

“Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner), held an inquest at the THREE FURNACES INN, Golds Green, Wednesbury, relative to the death of Martin Buckley (55), of Lea Brook, who was killed at Messrs. Bagnall’s Works, Golds Green.

On Wednesday the deceased was employed as a labourer at Messrs. Bagnall’s Works. An explosion took place at one of the furnaces by the gas and foul air meeting, and the deceased was thrown into a cess pool and killed.

The jury, after lengthy deliberation returned a verdict that the deceased had been accidentally killed, and recommended that in future larger escape valves be used with a view of preventing similar accidents.”

1881 Census

14, Bagnall Street

- [1] *William Stephenson* (75), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Maria Stephenson (73), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Eliza Stephenson (40), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Mary Fleet (13), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

William Tart = William Hart

1901 Census

64, Bagnall Street – THREE FURNACES INN

- [1] *John T. Webster* (31), licensed victualler, born Fenny Compton, Warwickshire;
- [2] *Eliza J. Webster* (38), wife, born Chilvers Coton, Warwickshire;
- [3] *Thomas K. Broome* (15), son, spring forger, born Chilvers Coton, Warwickshire;
- [4] *Sarah E. Broome* (9), daughter, born Chilvers Coton, Warwickshire;
- [5] *Frederic J. Webster* (6), son, born Attleborough, Warwickshire;
- [6] *Walter G. Webster* (4), son, born Attleborough, Warwickshire;
- [7] *Frank S. Webster* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Florence L. Webster* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Mary Jane James* (15), general servant, born West Bromwich:

John Lewis Maybury – check also MINERS ARMS.

1911 Census

64, Bagnall Street

- [1] *Moses Martin Baggott* (36), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Elizabeth Baggott* (31), wife, married 10 years, assisting in the business, born Tipton;
- [3] *Doris Baggott* (9), daughter, school, born Tipton;
- [4] *Elizabeth Geary* (49), general servant, born Pensnett:

West Bromwich Weekly News 15/3/1913

“..... An application was made by *John Lewis Maybury*, of the MINERS ARMS, Bagnall Street, Golds Green, for the removal of a full license from the THREE FURNACES, Golds Green, to the MINERS ARMS, which was a beerhouse.

Mr. J. S. Sharpe, on the applicant's behalf, explained that the two houses were owned by Messrs. Butler and Co, Wolverhampton. They were only 20 yards apart, but the canal ran between them. The THREE FURNACES was a dangerous house to get into – he did not know what it might be to get out of – as customers had to descend a flight of ten steps to reach it. It was in a somewhat dilapidated condition, and the owners, therefore wished to transfer the spirit license to the MINERS ARMS, in which case they would close the THREE FURNACES without compensation.

That meant a surrender equal to £900.

The application was granted.”

The license was removed to the MINERS ARMS, Bagnall Street.

It closed on 24th June 1913.

THREE HORSESHOES

High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Peter Greenfield [] - **1872**);
Frederick Perry (**1872** - []

THREE HORSESHOES

88, Witton Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mary Davis
Joseph Martin
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1908]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1986]
Enterprise Inns [1990's]
Black Country Traditional Inns [2005], [2014]

LICENSEES

John Davis* [1864]
John Davis* **(1866 - 1872);**
Mrs. Mary Davis **(1872 - 1891);**
Miss Emily Davis **(1891 - 1903);**
Joseph Martin **(1903 - 1908);**
John Owen **(1908 - 1911);**
David Tart **(1911 - 1920);**
Thomas Lester **(1920 - 1927);**
Albert Edward Barnett **(1927 - 1929);**
Linda Alice Gill **(1929 - 1931);**
Samuel Davies **(1931 - 1937);**
Rebecca (Davies) Laight **(1937 - 1943);**
Job Henry Laight **(1943 - 1957);**
Mrs. Rebecca Laight **(1957 - 1961)**
Sidney Frederick Williams [1965]
A J Ellis [1983]
Susan Harvey [1992]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

* possibly the same person

John Davis, beer retailer, Witton Lane, Hill Top, West Bromwich. [1864], [1868], [1870]

Wednesbury Herald 31/7/1880

“On Friday evening, Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner), held an inquest at the THREE HORSE SHOES INN, Witton Lane, as to the death of Thomas Malbond (64), who committed suicide. The jury returned a verdict that the deceased committed suicide whilst in a state of unsound mind.”



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Wednesbury Herald 26/2/1881

“On Wednesday Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner) held an inquiry at the THREE HORSE SHOES INN, Witton Lane, Hill Top, relative to the death of Rachael Jones, aged eight years and ten months, who was found drowned in the basin of the canal at Crookhay. The evidence showed that on Saturday the deceased was missing from her house, and subsequently her dead body was found in the basin of the canal, but as to how she got into the water there was no evidence to show. The jury being of opinion that the deceased accidentally fell into the water, returned a verdict of Accidental death.”

1881 Census

88, Witton Lane – THREE HORSE SHOES

- [1] *Mary Davis* (48), widow, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Susan Evans* (25), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth A. Davis* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Emma Davis* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Peter Davis* (19), son, sheet hull (?) worker, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Albert Davis* (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Polly Davis* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Fanny Hammonds* (15), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Mary Davis, beer retailer, 88 Witton Lane, Hill Top. [1888]

1891 Census

88, Witton Lane – THREE HORSE SHOES

- [1] *Emily Davis* (29), unmarried, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Peter Davis* (28), brother, iron roller, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Albert Davis* (25), brother, greengrocer's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Polly Davis* (21), sister, assistant school mistress, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary James* (16), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Martin, beer retailer, 88, Witton Lane. [1904], [1908]

David Tart, beer retailer, 88, Witton Lane. [1912]

Albert Edward Barnett – check also BLACK HORSE, Tipton.

Samuel Davies was married to *Rebecca*.

Rebecca Davies was married to a *Mr. Laight* in 1943.

Job Henry Laight – check also RAILWAY, Tipton.

A full license was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

It was the headquarters of the Hill Top Homing Society. [2007]

[2014]



2014

THREE MILE OAK

148, (22), Birmingham Road, (Handsworth Road), (Three Mile Oak Road), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Matthews
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1898]

LICENSEES

Elizabeth Haynes [1800] - **1835**);
James Burland (**1835** - [1855]
Edward Hartland [1858] - [1861]
John Matthews [1868] - **1874**);
George Matthews (**1874**);
Joseph Holder (**1874** - []
George Matthews [1888] - **1897**);
John Matthews (**1897** - **1900**);
Mary Ann Matthews (**1900** - **1902**);
William Ellis (**1902** - **1905**);
Thomas Edwin Beddard (**1905** - **1906**);
George Jones (**1906** - **1909**);
Henry Stokes (**1909** - **1911**);
Daniel Garbett Nurse (**1911** - **1927**);
Frank Waterhouse (**1927** - **1940**);
Sidney Arthur Stiles (**1940** - **1950**);
Harry Samuel Hale (**1950** - **1951**);
James Henry Rowberry (**1951** - **1955**);
Edward Hartland (**1955** - **1958**);
Arthur Gilbert Barnett (**1958** - **1961**);
John George Greenhalgh (**1961** - []

NOTES

Three Mile Oak Road [1841]
Birmingham Road [1849], [1891]
22, Birmingham Road [1899], [1901]
148, Birmingham Road

It was situated adjacent to the Turnpike toll house. [1771]

Coaches stopped here on the Birmingham to Dudley and the Birmingham to Wednesbury routes.

It had a beerhouse license.

Edward Hartland was also a builder and contractor and steam sawing mills, High Street. [1860]

1861 Census

Birmingham Road – THREE MILE OAK

- [1] *Edward Hartland* (45), builder and contractor, employing 14 men, born Wolverhampton;
- [2] *Ann Hartland* (39), wife, born Okehampton, Devon;
- [3] *Edward T. Hartland* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Richard H. Naile* (28), servant, born Martley, Herefordshire;
- [5] *Eleanor Poole* (19), servant, born Lanton, Herefordshire:

John Matthews, beer retailer, Birmingham Road. [1868]

1871 Census

Birmingham Road

- [1] *John Matthews* (61), beerhouse keeper, born Creminster, Gloucestershire;
- [2] *Harriett Matthews* (51), wife, born Bilston:

George Matthews, beer retailer, 22, Birmingham Road. [1888], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

Birmingham Road – THREE MILE OAK

- [1] *George Matthews* (57), publican, born Handsworth;
- [2] *Hannah Matthews* (60), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Ann Matthews* (31), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur Matthews* (22), son, polisher, spring balances, born Smethwick:

John Matthews, beer retailer, 22, Birmingham Road. [1900]

He was married to *Mary Ann*.

He died in 1900.

It was rebuilt in 1900 on a site half a mile away from original location.

1901 Census

22, Birmingham Road – Public House

- [1] *Mary A. Matthews* (44), widow, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Maud Matthews* (18), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elsie A. Matthews* (16), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Frederick W. Matthews* (2), son, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 17/5/1902

“*Mary Ann Matthews*, licensee of the THREE MILE OAK INN, Birmingham Road, was summoned for permitting drunkenness on her licensed premises, and for supplying ale to two drunken persons on Saturday the 3rd inst. *Thomas Gittings*, labourer, and *George Binns*, miner, both living in Roebuck Street, were charged with being drunk on *Mrs. Matthews*’ premises at the time in question.

Mr. J. S. Sharpe (instructed by the Chief Constable) prosecuted, and *Mr. Alfred Caddick* defended.

Mr. Sharpe explained that about 8.30 on the night in question PC’s *Bailey* and *Rushton* were on duty near to the THREE MILE OAK INN, when they saw a drunken man leave the house. On approaching the public house they heard considerable noise, and on going inside found in the bar or tap room two men, *Gittings* and *Binns*. The officers at once saw they were both drunk and each had a glass containing ale in front of him. It appeared that *Mrs. Matthews*, the landlady, was away from home at the time for the benefit of her health, and PC *Bailey* spoke to a man named *James Timmis*, who apparently had been left in charge of the house. *Timmis* stated that *Binns* and *Gittings* had been in the place about an hour, and had had three pints of ale between them. The constables then left the house, and directly after they saw *Binns* being assisted out by the man *Timmis*, and immediately he loosed him he (*Binns*) fell in the road. The defendant *Gittings* also came out of the house, and the police assisted them home.

Inspector Aldridge visited both men at their respective homes some 20 minutes later and satisfied himself that they were both in a very drunken condition.

PC's Bailey and Rushton gave evidence confirming Mr. Sharpe's opening statement, and Inspector Aldridge deposed to seeing the two men, Binns and Gittings, at their respective homes about 10 minutes past 9 the same night. They were both very drunk.

After a brief adjournment for luncheon Mr. Caddick proceeded to call his witnesses for the defence. The first (Mrs. *Matthews*) stated that she had conducted the business of the THREE MIKE OAK INN since the death of her husband. She recently met with an accident, and she was ordered to visit Brighton by her doctor for the benefit of her health. She left the house in charge of her son. The man Timmis referred to was a barman in her employ.

George Binns, who had been to the front, said he went into the THREE MILE OAK INN in company with Gittings and another friend on the night in question. They had three pints of ale between them. When the police came in he got up and walked unassisted out of the house. He denied being drunk.

Thomas Gittings gave similar evidence, and also swore he was not drunk. He added that he had never been so drunk but what he could do with was a drop more. (laughter) He did not know there was a charge of drunkenness against him until he received the summons.

Samuel Pearson, a brother in law of Gittings, deposed to being in the THREE MILE OAK INN in company with his brother in law, and Binns. They had three pints of ale between them, and they were all sober.

Mr. Sharpe questioned the witness as to whether he would swear Gittings and Binns were perfectly sober, when he replied that a man was never properly drunk without he went to the pump to light his pipe. (laughter)

James Timmis, a barman at the THREE MILE OAK INN, said he supplied Gittings, Binns, and Pearson with three pints of ale on the night in question. He had no doubt as to the sobriety of the men. When the police told him Binns and Gittings were drunk he requested them to leave, and they did so without any assistance.

Several other witnesses having been examined, the magistrates retired with their clerk (Mr. H. Jackson). After an absence of about ten minutes they returned into Court, and Mr. Garratt said they had come to the conclusion that Mrs. *Matthews* had committed an offence by permitting drunkenness, and she would be fined 40s and costs. The license of the house would not be endorsed, having regard for its good character. The charge of supplying drunken persons was dismissed.

The total amounted to £5 0s 6d.

George Binns for being drunk on the premises was fined 5s and 8s 6d costs, or 14 days' imprisonment, but the Bench thought there was a doubt in the case of Gittings, who was discharged."

William Ellis, beer retailer, 22, Birmingham Road. [1904]

George Jones, beer retailer, 22, Birmingham Road. [1908]

Daniel Garbett Nurse = Daniel Garbut Nurse.

Daniel Nurse played football for West Bromwich Albion.

He later became a director of the club.

Check also NEW INN.

1911 Census

Birmingham Road – THREE MILE OAK

[1] *Daniel G. Nurse* (36), beerhouse keeper, born Tipton;

[2] *Elizabeth F. Nurse* (36), wife, married 11 years, born Tipton;

[3] *Lewis H. Nurse* (9), son, school, born Tipton;

[4] *Harry R. Nurse* (31), brother, assistant barman, born Tipton;

[5] *Edith Poulton* (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

An Ordinary Removal of the Publican's License from the ROEBUCK INN, Roebuck Lane, to these premises, was granted on 8th March 1923, and confirmed on 24th April 1923.

Frank Waterhouse played football for West Bromwich Albion.

He was nicknamed 'Puffer'.

Midland Advertiser and Wednesbury Borough News 14/1/1933

“The fifth annual roller canary contest of the West Bromwich Roller Canary Club was held at the THREE MILE OAK, Birmingham Road, West Bromwich, on Wednesday and Thursday.

The show was opened on Wednesday afternoon By Mr. H. Colley, a vice-president of the club, who expressed thanks to all donors to the prize fund, and to the exhibitors. He drew attention to the splendid selection of prizes, and mentioned that there were sixty-odd prizes and cups.

Mr. J. Wilkinson, secretary of the club, said that the West Bromwich Show still held the reputation of being one of the premier shows of its kind in the country, and they intended to maintain that high standard.

Over 300 birds were entered for the contest, exhibitors coming from all parts of England, whilst Scotland was also represented.....”

Smethwick Telephone 27/4/1938

“Wanted: Bar General – THREE MILE OAK, Birmingham Road, West Bromwich. Good references. M&B’s preferred.”

Arthur Gilbert Barnett – check also SANDWELL.

A team from here were champions of the Smethwick and District Darts League ‘A’ Section in 1981.

A team from here took part in the Smethwick and District Charity Darts League. [1981/2]

It closed in 1990.

Demolished



c. 1986

THREE TUNS

Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Thomas Bailey [1818]

NOTES

Thomas Bailey was also a gun and pistol manufacturer. [1818]

TURKS HEAD

206, Great Bridge Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Walter Enoch Middleton
Charrington and Co., The Abbey Brewery, Burton on Trent
Joseph Horton, 31a, Colmore Row, Birmingham [1926]
Peter Walker and Co. Ltd. [1932]

LICENSEES

John Henry Matthews [] - **1869**);
Thomas Ellis (**1869** - [1873]
John Middleton [1879] - [1881]
Walter Enoch Middleton [1888] - **1891**);
Charles Perry (**1891**);
Emily Underwood (**1891** - **1892**);
Sarah Ann Stevenson (**1892**);
Stephen Wake (**1892** - **1893**);
Charles William Chapman (**1893** - **1895**);
Thomas Wright (**1895** - **1896**);
Mrs. Jane Wright (**1896** - **1898**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Nicklin (**1898** - **1905**);
William James Jones (**1905** - **1912**);
William Thomas Evans (**1912** - **1915**);
William Henry Cave (**1915** - **1929**);
Wallace Weir (**1929** - **1931**);
Charles Victor Mycock (**1931** - **1934**);
Frederick Henry Vaughan (**1934** - **1935**);
Herbert Brown (**1935**);
Bernard Wilkinson (**1935** - **1938**);
John James Silvester (**1938** - **1940**);
Thomas William Taylor (**1940**);
George Evans (**1940** - **1944**);
David Timothy Rackham (**1944** - **1945**);
Horace Percival Capewell (**1945** - **1947**);
Gladys Elizabeth Fleming (**1947** - **1957**);

NOTES

206, Great Bridge Road [1891]

OLD TURKS HEAD [1873]
TURKS HEAD

Thomas Ellis, TURKS HEAD, Great Bridge Street. [1868]
[Was he already here before the license transfer?]

1871 Census

Great Bridge Road

- [1] *Thomas Ellis* (37), publican, born Bidford, Warwickshire;
- [2] *Elizabeth Ellis* (34), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Thomas Ellis* (12), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Ellis* (19), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Julia Ellis* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ada Ellis* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

206, Great Bridge Street – TURKS HEAD

- [1] *John Middleton* (31), licensed victualler, born Tipton;
- [2] *Jane Middleton* (29), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Gertrude Ann Middleton* (9), daughter, scholar, born Tipton;
- [4] *John Ernest Middleton* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Frederic Middleton* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Edith Millicent Middleton* (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Albert Edward Middleton* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Louisa Maria Middleton* (7 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Leah Barton* (21), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Elizabeth Ann Langdell* (14), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Wednesbury Herald 3/2/1883

“Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner), held an inquiry at the TURKS HEAD INN, Great Bridge Road, West Bromwich, on Wednesday, into the cause of the death of Benjamin Yates (14), of 72, William Street, Swan Village, who met with a frightful death at Messrs. Jordan and Pearson’s Dunkirk Ironworks, Charles Street, Greets Green, on Monday night last.

Mr. A. Caddick, West Bromwich, represented the owners of the works, Mr. A. Gibbs, the Employees’ Liability Assurance Corporation, Mr. Blenkinsop, inspector of factories, was present.

The deceased was drawn into the mill rollers on Monday night, and his body literally reduced to a pulp before the engine could be stopped. The mill was properly fenced, and the jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”

Walter Enoch Middleton – check also SPADEMAKERS ARMS, Oldbury.

1891 Census

206, Great Bridge Road – TURKS HEAD

- [1] *Charles Perry* (25), unmarried, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *John Tonks* (41), husband, bricklayer, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Henser Tonks* (48), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Tonks* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elizabeth Jones* (17), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Wright was married to *Jane*.

He died in 1896.

1901 Census

206, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *Harry Nicklin* (34), iron moulder, born Tipton;
- [2] *Mary Ann Nicklin* (33), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Edith Nicklin* (13), daughter, born Tipton;
- [4] *Fred Hooman* (14), stepson, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Florence Preston* (17), domestic servant, born Tipton:

1911 Census

206, Great Bridge Street

- [1] *William James Jones* (49), licensed manager, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Alice Rosehannah Jones* (35), married 10 years, born New Brighton;
- [3] *Arthur James Jones* (28), son, polisher, iron foundry, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mabel Jones* (15), daughter, home duties, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Clara Jones* (10), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *George Jones* (9), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Fred Jones* (7), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *May Jones* (4), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *William Jones* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Sarah Jones* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Frederick Henry Vaughan – check also JUNCTION, Oldbury.

George Evans was married to *Florence May*.

An Ordinary Removal of the Publican's License from here to the Hamstead was granted on 7th February 1957.

The premises closed at 10pm on 16th July 1957.

TURKS HEAD

Moor Street, (Turk Street), Lyng, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Granger [1818] – [1830]
Joseph Smith [1834] – [1842]

NOTES

Turk Street [1841], [1842]

Check Sams Lane.

TURKS HEAD

1, Sams Lane / Bromford Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Showells Brewery Ltd.
Ind Coope and Allsopp Ltd. [1935]
Ind Coope Ltd. [1959]

LICENSEES

John Thomas [1845]
Mrs. John Thomas [1849] – [1850]
William Horton [1851] – [1865]
Richard Horton [1868] – [1881]
Thomas Fullard [1884]
Joseph Chadwick [1888] – **1890**);
Thomas Fullwood (**1890 – 1895**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Fullwood (**1895 – 1900**);
Joseph Fullwood (**1900 – 1908**);
John Thomas Clarence Fullwood (**1908 – 1912**);
Henry Stevens (**1912 – 1913**);
Mrs. Eliza Stevens (**1913 – 1922**);
Charles James Udall (**1922 – 1925**);
William John Gilbert (**1925 – 1929**);
James William Reid (**1929 – 1935**);
Harold Fisher (**1935 – 1948**);
Arthur Henry Smith (**1948 – []**)

NOTES

Bromford Lane [1849], [1850], [1861], [1868], [1870], [1884]
1, Sams Lane [1904], [1912]

The pub featured in the Victorian novel 'Joseph's Coat' as the Saracens Head.

It had ornamental hand pulls.

1851 Census

Sams Lane

- [1] *William Horton* (59), victualler, born Brewood;
- [2] *Mary Horton* (57), wife, born Coleshill;
- [3] *William Horton* (26), son, blacksmith, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Richard Horton* (24), son, joiner, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ellen Horton* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Emma Horton* (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1861 Census

Sams Lane

- [1] *William Horton* (68), licensed victualler, born Brewwood;
- [2] *An P. Horton* (29), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Emma Horton* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

Sams Lane – TURKS HEAD

- [1] *Richard Horton* (45), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Horton* (36), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Harry Horton* (16), son, assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Ann Horton* (14), daughter, assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Mary Horton* (10), daughter, scholar, born Burslem;
- [6] *Ralph Horton* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Sarah Horton* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Richard Horton* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *William Horton* (9 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Helen Moseley* (12), niece, visitor, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Ann Maria Harris* (19), domestic servant, born Oldbury:

Richard Horton was also a grocer. [1872]

He was described as a grocer, and hay, straw, corn and flour dealer. [1873]

Dudley Herald 9/10/1875

Inquest held here on 16 year old *John Evans*, who was accidentally shot by his friend.

1881 Census

1, Sams Lane

- [1] *Richard Horton* (55), publican and grocer, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Sarah Horton* (45), wife, born Birmingham;
- [3] *Mary Horton* (19), daughter, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Ralph Horton* (16), son, born Birmingham;
- [5] *Sarah Horton* (15), daughter, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Richard Horton* (11), son, born Birmingham;
- [7] *William Horton* (10), son, born Birmingham;
- [8] *Frederick Horton* (7), son, born Birmingham;
- [9] *Hannah Horton* (9), daughter, born Birmingham;
- [10] *Isaac Horton* (3), son, born Birmingham;
- [11] *Lizzie Acock* (25), unmarried, daughter, nurse, born West Bromwich;
- [12] *Ann Wilks* (19), general servant, born Tipton:

Evening Star 28/2/1882

“This morning *E. Hooper*, coroner, held an inquest at the TURKS HEAD INN, Sams Lane, West Bromwich, touching the death of *Sarah Moore* (38), who died under circumstances reported in last night’s Star, from the effects of a push from her brother in law, *Edward Moore* (25), labourer West Bromwich. The tragedy has caused considerable excitement in the district and long before the time for holding the inquest knots of people might have been seen gathered round the precincts of the TURKS HEAD anxious to get a view of the prisoner. Shortly after twelve o’clock the prisoner was brought to the inn by Police-sergeants *Clayton* and *Lees*, and at once, ushered into the room. During the swearing of the jury the prisoner preserved a perfectly calm and placid countenance, showing no sign of regret for the deed of which he stood accused.

The police authorities were represented by Mr. Superintendent *Whitehurst*. On the jury returning from viewing the body, the husband returned with them, and commenced crying immediately he got in the room.

John Moore, labourer, in the employ of Mr. B. Lees, and husband of the deceased, identified the body, and stated that deceased was 38 last birthday, and lived with him at No. 40 Braybrook Street, West Bromwich. She complained several times last week of having a pain in the stomach, but had no doctor for it. On Saturday he got home about ten o'clock at night. His brother's (the prisoner) name was Edward Moore.

Prisoner here said his proper name was Edwin.

Witness, continuing, said prisoner worked with him at Mr. Lees' Works. When he got home on Saturday night he felt very ill, having had a narrow escape of being burnt to death. The prisoner went with him and sent for a glass of rum saying he should have a 'stiff glass'. The young woman prisoner kept company with, Sarah Jane Hayes was present. Witness went to bed about a quarter past eleven, leaving his wife and brother and the young woman downstairs. His brother had had some beer. After he had been upstairs about five minutes he heard his wife shout 'Oh', and came to the top of the stairs and asked what was the matter, but received no reply. He then came downstairs and saw his wife lying on the floor with her head near the steps. He took hold of her under her arms, and he turned to his brother and asked him why he did not go down home. He lifted his wife up and found she was dead. There was some blood on the top of her lips. A man named John Budd came in, and at witness's request went and fetched some water. Prisoner was sitting near the door, and he did not ask him to fetch the water, but simply to go home, and he went. Hayes stood half-way between the door and the house when he came downstairs, but she made no remark. Witness and Budd lifted deceased on to the sofa, and the latter was sent off for Dr. Sansome, who came, and after examining deceased said she was dead. Prisoner and deceased had been on good terms. When he went to bed there was no sign of a quarrel between anyone.

Sarah Jane Hayes, who gave her evidence with tears in her eyes, said she was a single woman residing with the husband of deceased in Braybrook Street. She went home at twenty minutes after ten on Saturday night, and was there when John Moore went to bed. The prisoner with whom she kept company then accused her of going out with some one else and got up from the sofa to strike her, but missed her. Deceased got up and said, 'Would you strike her, Ted, you _____'. She did not hear make any reply, but saw them wrestling together, and she then went out. She saw them both fall to the floor, but could not say whether the prisoner fell on top of the deceased. She did not hear either of them speak whilst they were wrestling. She went in when Mrs. Moore fell, and saw her head against one of the steps. Witness had been at the top of the yard, as she was afraid. She was standing outside the door when the deceased's husband came downstairs. The prisoner was not sober.

Police-constable William Lees said: At 12.45 on Saturday night, from information he received, he went down to John Moore's, and found Sarah Moore dead on the sofa. He asked John Moore if he knew how it happened, and he said he did not know. He said his brother Edward did it, and witness asked for him, but he could not be found for about twenty minutes, and he then came in and witness asked if he knew how Mrs. Moore came by her death, and he said he knew nothing about it. Witness asked him if he was in the house at the time, and he made the same answer. Witness then went and found Hayes in the Lying Lane and brought her back to Mr. Budd next door, and asked her if she knew anything about it. She said, 'All I know is Edwin Moore struck off at me and Mrs. Moore took it up, and then Edwin Moore and Mrs. Moore got together and began wrestling. I saw them both fall on the floor and then went towards the door and left them on the floor together.' Witness, from information received afterwards, arrested the prisoner at 1.20 at John Moore's, and told him he should want him to go to the station with him, and on the way cautioned him that whatever he said would be taken down and given in evidence against him. On getting to the station he charged him on suspicion of causing the death of Sarah Moore, in Braybrook Street, West Bromwich, on the 25th February, and he made answer, 'I shall have nothing to do with that. I know nothing about that.' Prisoner was taken before the justices yesterday and remanded till Saturday next. When he went to Moore's house in the morning he found John Moore under the influence of drink, but Hayes remained quite sober. Prisoner was under the influence of drink, and rather worse than John when he was arrested.

Mr. T. Sansome, surgeon, having given evidence, the jury returned a verdict of Manslaughter against Moore."

Smethwick Telephone 19/4/1884

"West Bromwich Police Court. Eliza Baker (18), of Bowater Street, West Bromwich was charged with having been on the premises belonging to *Thomas Fullard*, the keeper of the TURKS HEAD, Bromford Lane, West Bromwich Thomas Jones deposed to having found the prisoner lying in the liquor box in the spirit storeroom....."

- There was £7 to £8 worth of spirits running over the floor.

She was remanded and was sentenced to 3 months hard labour.

1891 Census

1, Sams Lane – TURKS HEAD

[1] *Thomas Fullwood* (65), licensed victualler, born Round Oak;

[2] *Mary A. Fullwood* (64), wife, born Level;

[3] *Phoebe Fullwood* (42), daughter, born Brierley Hill;

[4] *Martha Jones* (35), daughter, born Brierley Hill;

[5] *Thomas Jones* (12), grandson, scholar, born Smethwick;

[6] *Edward Fullwood* (15), grandson, brass founder's labourer, born Smethwick:

Thomas Fullwood was married to *Mary Ann*.

Mrs. Mary Ann Fullwood – see also RED LION, All Saints Street.

1911 Census

1, Sams Lane

[1] *John Thomas Clarence Fullwood* (29), married, licensed victualler, hotel manager, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary Ann Fullwood* (22), sister, assistant, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Annie Bird* (19), general servant, born West Bromwich:

Henry Stevens was married to *Eliza*.

He died in 1913.

Charles James Udall – check also RED LION.

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

Check Moor Street.

TWELVE BELLS

34, Bratt Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Amos Cowles, Church Street, West Bromwich
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Samuel Woodhall Ltd. [1907]
Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1938]
Wolverhampton and Dudley Breweries Ltd.

LICENSEES

William Brookes [1871] - **1873**);
John Amos Cowles (**1873 - 1888**);
Walter Edward Worton (**1888 - 1889**);
Albert Clayton (**1889**);
George Dimbylow (**1889 - 1890**);
William Jones (**1890 - 1892**);
Thomas Roberts (**1892 - 1893**);
William Edge (**1893 - 1897**);
James Henry Bowen (**1897 - 1902**);
William Thomas Caulkett (**1902 - 1904**);
Frederick Charles Hirons (**1904 - 1906**);
Joseph William Walker (**1906**);
Mrs. Alice May Walker (**1906**);
William Orde Wernham (**1906 - 1907**);
Francis George Fletcher (**1907 - 1913**);
Frederick Edwards (**1913 - 1916**);
Thomas Walter Ball (**1916 - 1928**);
Walter James Mann (**1928 - 1933**);
Arthur Fitzpatrick (**1933 - 1934**);
Arthur Albert Wakefield (**1934 - 1936**);
Joseph Macfarlane (**1936 - 1941**);
Herbert Penn (**1941 - 1945**);
Ernest Ingram (**1945 - 1953**);
Mrs. Edith Violet Ingram (**1953 - 1956**);
Alan McKechnie (**1956 - 1957**);
Herbert Ernest Dixon Snr. (**1957 - 1959**);
Arthur Tedstone (**1959 - []**)

NOTES

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.

1871 Census

Bratt Street

- [1] *William Brooks* (30), beerhouse keeper and plasterer, born Ledbury, Herefordshire;
- [2] *Emma Brooks* (40), wife, born Newhall, Derbyshire;
- [3] *Elizabeth Brooks* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Brooks* (16), son, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Brooks* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice Brooks* (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Agnes Brooks* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

34, Bratt Street

- [1] *John Amos Cowles* (50), publican, born Westminster;
- [2] *Ellen Cowles* (57), wife, born Westbury, Shropshire;
- [3] *Samuel Cowles* (20), son, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Ann Cowles* (17), daughter, dress maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *George Amos Cowles* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eliza Mahoney* (21), general servant, born Wednesbury:

West Bromwich Weekly News 24/12/1881

“On Thursday, an inquest was held at the TWELVE BELLS INN, Bratt Street, before Mr. E. Hooper, touching the death of Thomas Prue, aged nine months, son of William Prue, carter, Hardware Street, who died on Monday. Martha Prue (mother), said the child was subject to fits, and on Monday was seized with a choking noise in the throat, and died in her arms immediately afterwards. Verdict: Death from Natural Causes.”

Evening Star 20/4/1882

“Retail Brewers’ Association - The quarterly meeting of this society was held yesterday at the TWELVE BELLS INN, West Bromwich. Mr. William Walker presiding.....”

Smethwick Telephone 10/9/1887

“West Bromwich Police Court. *John Amos Cowles* of the TWELVE BELLS INN, Bratt Street, West Bromwich, was summoned at the insistence of the Excise authorities, for mixing sugar with wort Mr. F. S. Hoyte (supervisor of Inland Revenue) prosecuting.....”

- He was fined £25 and costs.

George Dimbylow = *George Dumbelow*

John Amos Cowles, beer retailer, 34, Bratt Street. [1888]
He issued tokens from here.

1891 Census

34, Bratt Street – 12 BELLS INN

- [1] *William Jones* (28), beer seller, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Harriet Jones* (26), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Dora Jones* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

William Jones, beer retailer, 34, Bratt Street. [1892]

William Edge, beer retailer, 34, Bratt Street. [1896]

1901 Census

34, Bratt Street – TWELVE BELLS INN

- [1] *James H. Bowen* (26), beerhouse keeper, born Broseley, Shropshire;
- [2] *Lucy J. Bowen* (28), wife, born Broseley, Shropshire;
- [3] *Hilda Bowen* (5), daughter, born Broseley, Shropshire;
- [4] *Winifred Moram* (16), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

William Thomas Caulkett, beer retailer, 32, Bratt Street. [1904]

Frederick Charles Hiron – see also KING AND CONSTITUTION.

Joseph William Walker was married to *Alice May*.
He died in 1906.

1911 Census

34, Bratt Street

- [1] *Francis G. Fletcher* (40), publican, beerhouse keeper, born Chalton, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Esther E. Fletcher* (14), daughter, born Wordsley;
- [3] *Francis G. Fletcher* (11), son, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Alice Fletcher* (36), wife, married 17 years, born Leeds, Yorkshire;
- [5] *Alice Fletcher* (8), daughter, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Albert E. Fletcher* (6), son, born Smethwick;
- [7] *Elice Fletcher* (4), daughter, born Wednesbury:

Francis George Fletcher, beer retailer, 34, Bratt Street. [1912]

Walter James Mann – see also GLOBE, and NAGS HEAD.

Arthur Fitzpatrick – check also OLD BELL, and PRINCE ALBERT.

Arthur Albert Wakefield – see also GEORGE, Oldbury.

Bilson and Willenhall Times 16/11/1946

“Beer was being served while hymns were sung at a harvest festival at the TWELVE BELLS, when Mr. W. Evitts and friends from the Congregational Chapel, High Street, West Bromwich, were present. Solos were rendered by Mr. E. Freeman and Master B. Mullany, and the sum of £30 was raised for West Bromwich District Hospital. At the invitation of Mr. Evitts, the TWELVE BELLS customers attended the chapel on Sunday, and the service was entirely in their hands. Several other public houses were represented. The programme was similar and Mr. Evitts gave an address. An anthem was rendered by the choir. The TWELVE BELLS customers expressed thanks to all concerned.”

A full licence was granted on 10th February 1949, and confirmed on 29th April 1949.

Ernest Ingram was married to *Edith Violet*.
He died in 1953.

Alan McKechnie – see also JUNCTION.

Herbert Ernest Dixon – see also JUNCTION.

UNION CROSS

2, Oldbury Road / Greets Green Road, Greets Green, (Croft), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Bowen Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1944]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1975]

LICENSEES

John Wood [1834] – [1835]
Daniel Williams [1841] – [1850]
David Williams [1851]
John Wassell [1858] – [1865]
Thomas Smithyman [1868] – [1870]
Henry Lloyd [1871] – [1873]
Mrs. Sarah Lloyd [1873] – [1875]
Josiah Roberts [1881]
Joseph Tipler [1882]
William Bowen Snr. **(1883 – 1927);**
William Bowen Jr. **(1927 – 1944);**
John Maddox **(1944 – [1945]**
Albert Booker [c. 1980]
Doris Annie Booker [] – **1984):**



Token

NOTES

Greets Green Road
Oldbury Road [1860], [1865], [1871]
2, Oldbury Road [1881], [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1912], [1916], [1921]

It had a beerhouse license.

Black Country Bugle (1983)

Letter from June Danvers, Utah

“When Ann Lymer married *John Wood* in 1813, she was given a large grandfather, and they bought houses in Princes End and later built a large in Greets Green

John Wood died and his widow married Stephen Allen. It is believed and her new husband continued to keep the inn in Greets Green As near tell you, it was built around 1827. In the 1841 Census (after *John Wood's* his wife, then married to Stephen Allen, was listed as living in Trout Street.”

Daniel Williams, ale and porter brewer. [1845], [1849], [1850]

John Wassell = John Wassall

1871 Census

Oldbury Road – UNION CROSS

- [1] *Henry Lloyd* (55), licensed victualler, born Shrewsbury;
- [2] *Sarah Lloyd* (52), wife, born Bentley, Staffordshire;
- [3] *Sarahann Lloyd* (20), daughter, barmaid, born New York, America;
- [4] *Nancy Whitehouse* (24), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

2, Oldbury Road – UNION CROSS

- [1] *Josiah Roberts* (29), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Maria Roberts* (26), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William L. Roberts* (5), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Fanny E. Roberts* (3), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Egbert P. Roberts* (6 months), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Louisa Saxon* (12), niece, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 7/5/1881

“Richard Hill was charged with being drunk and refusing to quit the UNION CROSS beerhouse, West Bromwich, and fined 20s and 11s costs, having been seven times previously for drunkenness.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 23/7/1881

“On Monday, an inquest was held before Mr. Hooper, at the UNION CROSS INN, Greets Green, upon the body of Thomas James Garratt, aged 7, No.8, Oldbury Road Greets Green. The body of the deceased was found in the Birmingham canal, near the Dunkirk Arm. It was supposed that he went there fishing and fell in. The Jury returned a verdict of Accidentally Drowned.”

Wednesbury Herald 12/5/1883

“An old woman named Ann Evans (67), of Parker Street, Greets Green, died on Tuesday morning under peculiar circumstances. On Saturday night deceased was to all appearances, in her usual state of health, when her son, Joseph Evans (26), puddler, who lived with his parents, returned home under the influence of drink. After entering the house he quarrelled with his mother, and it is stated during the quarrel he threatened to shoot her. About eight o'clock the same night deceased was seized with a fit of apoplexy, from the effects of which she never recovered, and died on Tuesday morning.

Dr. A. Underhill, who attended deceased, has declined under the circumstances to give a certificate.

Mr. Edwin Hooper (District Coroner) held an inquest on the body on Tuesday, at the UNION CROSS INN, Greets Green, West Bromwich.

Eliza Smithers, daughter of the deceased, said on Saturday night, about twenty minutes to eight o'clock, she heard the deceased had picked up the poker to strike her son, Joseph Evans, and that he then ordered her out of the house. Upon hearing that her mother and brother had been quarrelling, she went to see what was the matter, and found her mother lying on a sofa in a neighbour's house. In reply to witness, deceased stated that she asked her son for some money to get the children something to eat, when he said he had lost it, and she (deceased) then told him he ought to be ashamed of himself, and at the time she picked up the poker and said she had a good mind to beat his brains out for keeping his children clamming.

In answer to the Coroner, witness said deceased did not tell her that Joseph Evans struck her. Deceased died on Tuesday morning.

Rebecca Gough, a neighbour, gave corroborative evidence, adding that she had frequently heard deceased complain about her head, but had never known Joseph Evans ill-use his mother.

Eliza Smithers (re-called) said deceased told her that Joseph pretended to go to reach the gun down, but did not do so.

A Juror: Did he attempt to shoot you three or four weeks ago?

Witness: No.

The Coroner said he had seen Mr. A. Underhill, who attended the deceased, and he said there was not the slightest doubt but that the woman died from an attack of apoplexy, and he should have given a certificate to that effect if he had not been informed that there had been some disturbance in the house, but with that knowledge, he did not feel justified in certifying without the matter being reported to the Coroner. (Hear, hear)

The jury returned a verdict of Death from Natural Causes, but added a rider to the effect That in their opinion death was to some extent accelerated by the excitement caused by the quarrel deceased had with Joseph Evans, her son, on the 5th inst.”

1891 Census

2, Oldbury Road

- [1] *William Bowen* (41), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Elizabeth Bowen (40), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] Lilly Bowen (15), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] Jane Bowen (12), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Mary Bowen (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Bowen* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] John Sidney Bowen (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Harriet Pitchford (20), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

William Bowen Snr. was also a brewer.

An inquest was held here in March 1885, on Eliza Taylor (30), who was supposed to have committed suicide by drowning.

1901 Census

2, Oldbury Road

- [1] *William Bowen* (52), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Elizabeth Bowen (50), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] Jane Bowen (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Mary Bowen (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William Bowen* (17), son, barman, born West Bromwich;
- [6] John S. Bowen (13), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Elsie Bowen (9), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Mary A. Read (23), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

2, Oldbury Road

- [1] *William Bowen* (62), brewer and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Elizabeth Bowen (61), wife, married 35 years, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *William Bowen* (26), son, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Jane Bowen (27), daughter, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Mary Bowen (25), daughter, assisting in the business, born West Bromwich;
- [6] John Sydney Bowen (21), son, assistant surveyor, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Elsie Bowen (18), daughter, assistant dress maker, born West Bromwich:

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946]

It closed on 4th April 1984.

Demolished

VICTORIA

40, Lyng Lane / 32, New Hall Street, (32, Sams Lane), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Raybould
Thomas Henry Bates, Spon Lane, West Bromwich [1897]
Arnold and Bates Ltd.
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1929], [1960]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1986]
Enterprise Inns

LICENSEES

James Jones [1845] – [1861]
David Jones [1864] – [1870]
John Raybould **(1870 – 1894);**
Edward Jones Raybould **(1894 – 1897);**
Mrs. Louisa Calloway **(1897 – 1902);**
Samuel Cooper [1901] ?
Albert Ayres **(1902 – 1911);**
Clara Evans [1911] manageress
Phineas John Kendrick **(1911 – 1912);**
Frank Walls **(1912 – 1913);**
Thomas Green **(1913 – 1914);**
Frederick Skipp **(1914);**
Levi Plimmer **(1914 – 1922);**
Stanley Arthur Reading **(1922 – 1928);**
Herbert Skidmore **(1928 – 1933);**
Mrs. May Comfort Skidmore **(1933 – 1934);**
Walter Frederick Hilton **(1934 – 1951);**
Edwin Henry 'Harry' Reynolds **(1951 – 1959);**
Alexander Raeburn Hornby **(1959 – [1961]**
M Ferns [1992]
Brian Malek [1993]
K Singh [2012]

NOTES

New Hall Street [1845], [1849], [1850], [1851], [1858], [1861]
Sams Lane [1860]
32, New Hall Street
32, Sams Lane [1891], [1896], [1901], [1904], [1911], [1912], [1916], [1921]
40, Lyng Lane [1990]

James Jones was also a grocer. [1845], [1849], [1850], [1860]

1851 Census

New Hall Street

- [1] *James Jones* (53), huckster and victualler, VICTORIA INN, born Clifton upon Tame, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Hannah Jones* (52), wife, born Oldswinford;
- [3] *Eliza Jones* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jane Jones* (19), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Edwin Jones* (16), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *David Jones* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Anne Jones* (5), niece, born Elsbury [Aylesbury?], Buckinghamshire:

1861 Census

Sams Lane

- [1] *James Jones* (62), huckster and publican, born Herefordshire;
- [2] *Hannah Jones* (63), wife, born Worcestershire;
- [3] *Jane Jones* (28), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *David Jones* (19), son, born Ellesborough, B_____;
- [5] *Julia Richards* (17), servant, born West Bromwich:

David Jones was also a grocer [1864], [1865]

He was described as being also a wine and spirit dealer, grocer and maltster. [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

Sams Lane

- [1] *John Raybould* (43), cramucant (?) clerk, born Dudley;
- [2] *Mary Ann Raybould* (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *James Joseph Raybould* (18), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Hannah Raybould* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Edward Raybould* (14), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Arthur Raybould* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Walter J. Raybould* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *William P. Rayboiuld* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Alfred Raybould* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Albert Raybould* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [11] *Sarah Walton* (27), domestic servant, born West Bromwich;
- [12] *Mary Ann Harris* (19), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

John Raybould was also a grocer. [1872], [1873], [1888], [1892], [1896]

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/3/1881

“An inquest was held on Wednesday, before Mr. Hooper, at the VICTORIA INN, upon the body of a twin child, names Jane Moore, aged two weeks, who died in a fit on Saturday. The mother pleaded poverty as an excuse for not calling in a doctor. The Coroner said here was no excuse, as the parish surgeon could have been called in. He considered there had been gross neglect.

A verdict of Death from Natural Causes was returned.”

1881 Census

VICTORIA INN – Sams Lane

- [1] *John Raybould* (53), widower, grocer and publican, born Dudley;
- [2] *Hannah Raybould* (27), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Edward Raybould* (24), son, clerk (glass works), born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur Raybould* (22), son, clerk (insurance), born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Walter Raybould* (20), son, grocer's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Raybould* (18), son, grocer's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Martha Ward* (18), domestic servant, born Netherton;
- [8] *Mary Ward* (15), domestic servant, born Netherton;
- [9] *Mary Ann Reynolds* (20), domestic servant, born Rowley Regis:

West Bromwich Weekly News 12/11/1881

“Mr. E. Hooper held an inquest on Wednesday morning at the VICTORIA INN, Lyng Lane, touching the death of Ralph Henry Adams, 5 months old, son of John Henry Adams, of Victoria Terrace, Lyng Lane, who was found dead in bed on Tuesday morning. The jury returned a verdict of Found Dead.”

Wednesbury Herald 19/5/1883

“An inquest was held on Wednesday, by Mr. Edwin Hooper, coroner, at the VICTORIA INN, Sams Lane, West Bromwich, touching the death of Ann Durden, aged four months, the illegitimate child of Ann Durden, who died on Sunday last. Esther Durden, grandmother of the deceased, said the child was left in her care, as the mother was living in service. On Friday last the deceased, who had been weakly from birth, was taken ill, and Mr. Sutcliffe was sent for, but he refused to come because witness owed him something for medicine supplied previously for the deceased. In reply to the Coroner, witness said she did not send for any other surgeon. The Coroner said witness was greatly to blame for not sending for the parish surgeon if she could not afford to pay for another medical man. The jury returned a verdict of Death from Natural Causes, and added a rider to the effect that death was accelerated by want of medical aid.”

1891 Census

32, Sams Lane

- [1] *John Raybould* (63), widower, grocer, victualler, born Dudley;
- [2] *Hannah Raybould* (37), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Edward Raybould* (34), son, commercial clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur Raybould* (32), son, insurance manager, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William Raybould* (28), son, grocer's assistant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Lydia Guest* (20), general servant, born Sedgley;
- [7] *Sarah Taylor* (20), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *William King* (18), grocer's assistant, born Bilston:

Smethwick Weekly News 12/1/1901

“The annual meeting of the West Bromwich and Smethwick district of the National United Order of Free Gardeners Friendly Society was held on Saturday afternoon at the VICTORIA INN, Lyng Lane, West Bromwich. Bro. David Shelton (district master) presided, and delegates were present from 21 lodges, representing 3132 members.....”

1901 Census

32, Sams Lane – VICTORIA INN

- [1] *Samuel Cooper* (52), licensed victualler, born Oldbury;
- [2] *Louisa Cooper* (41), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *George Calloway* (31), nephew, bricklayer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Elizabeth Calloway* (46), boarder, domestic servant, born Tipton;
- [5] *Emma Whale* (30), boarder, barmaid, born Warley, Staffordshire:

1911 Census

32, Sams Lane

[1] Clara Evans (46), widow, public house manageress, born Exhall, Warwickshire;

[2] Eva Clarise Evans (17), daughter, at home, born St. Mary, Birmingham:

Phineas John Kendrick – see also OLD CROWN.

Herbert Skidmore was married to *May Comfort*.
He died in 1933.

Walter Frederick Hilton – see also HARGATE TAVERN.

Alexander Raeburn Hornby – see also CAPE HOTEL.

Edwin Henry Reynold – see also BUSH.

A team from here were champions of the Smethwick and District Charity Darts League 'B' Section in 1963.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1967], [1968]

It was renamed the VIC. [2003]

[2014]



1986



2014



2003

VINE

123, (97), Dartmouth Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Goode, Dartmouth Street, West Bromwich
Mrs. Goode, Parliament Street, West Bromwich
Reuben Farley Esq., New Street, West Bromwich
Ansells Ltd. [1898]
Darby's Brewery Ltd. [1912]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Enterprise Inns



LICENSEES

George Morris [1871] - **1873**);
Isaac Brookes (**1873 - 1880**);
John Sperring (**1880 - 1886**);
Benjamin Sheldon (**1886**);
Isaiah Guest (**1886 - 1887**);
John Cutler Jnr. (**1887 - 1889**);
Albert Russell (**1889 - 1892**);
John Malcom Carter (**1892 - 1894**);
William Hincks (**1894 - 1895**);
James Rogers (**1895**);
James Russell (**1895 - 1898**);
Mrs. Mary Jane Russell (**1898 - 1899**);
Martin Poole (**1899 - 1902**);
Watson Bunn (**1902 - 1905**);
Joseph Hinton (**1905 - 1909**);
James Ingles (**1909 - 1910**);
James Pickering (**1910 - 1911**);
Samuel John Johnson (**1911 - 1912**);
William Bowers (**1912 - 1913**);
William Burton (**1913 - 1914**);
Hiram French (**1914 - 1916**);
Edward Perry (**1916 - 1921**);
Alfred Phillips (**1921 - 1928**);
James William Harris (**1928 - 1936**);
Bertram Povey (**1936 - 1944**);
Charles Isaac King (**1944 - 1945**);
Benjamin Baker (**1945 - 1948**);
John Edwin Guest (**1948 - 1953**);
Raymond George Hadley (**1953 - 1954**);
Ray Anthony Elbro (**1954**);
Edward Walter Kenneth Townsend (**1954 - 1956**);
Daniel Sweeney (**1956 - 1957**);
Michael McKechnie (**1957 - 1960**);
William John Edwin Palmer (**1960 - []**)
M E Parsons [1976]
Raymond Gibbons [1992] - [1993]
Sarbjit Chauhan [2008] - [2012]

NOTES

97, Dartmouth Street [1881], [1891]
123, Dartmouth Street

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Dartmouth Street – VINE INN

- [1] *George Morris* (28), beerseller and shopkeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Morris* (29), wife, born Loughton, Shropshire;
- [3] *Sarah Morris* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

97, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *John Sperring* (23), unmarried, beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Comfort Dutton* (29), housekeeper, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Dutton* (6 months), born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sophia Morgan* (17), domestic servant, born Tividale:

West Bromwich Weekly News 15/10/1881

“*John Sperrins* (sic) (27), beerhouse keeper, Dartmouth Street, was fined 10s and costs for assaulting the wife [of *George Thompson*, CROWN].”

Wednesbury Herald 4/2/1882

“At the Stipendiary’s Court on Monday, *Charles Sperrins* (sic), of the VINE INN, Dartmouth Street, was charged with selling drink during prohibited hours. Defendant was fined £1 10s, including costs”

1891 Census

97, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *Albert Russell* (50), engine fitter and publican, born Bilston;
- [2] *Sophia Russell* (50), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Clara Russell* (19), daughter, barmaid, born Birmingham;
- [4] *Harry Russell* (12), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [5] *William Russell* (6), son, scholar, born Birmingham;
- [6] *Elizabeth Russell* (71), mother, widow, living on her own means, born Bilston:

James Russell was married to *Mary Jane*.

1901 Census

97, Dartmouth Street

- [1] *Martin Poole* (26), licensed victualler, born Smethwick;
- [2] *Phoebe Poole* (29), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William James* (25), brother in law, commercial clerk, born Quinton;
- [4] *Polly James* (24), sister in law, born Tipton;
- [5] *Dorothy James* (1), niece, born Smethwick:

Watson Bunn, beer retailer, 97, Dartmouth Street. [1904]
See also GRAPES.

Joseph Hinton – check also KING AND CONSTITUTION.

1911 Census

97, Dartmouth Street

[1] *James Pickering* (45), publican, born Shustoke, Warwickshire;

[2] *Rhoda Pickering* (50), wife, married 23 years, born Leicester;

[3] *Elsie Stokes* (19), servant, born West Bromwich:

William Burton – see also NEW CHURCH.

Hiram French was fined £2 and £2 4s 6d special costs, on 16th December 1915, for giving over measure of beer.

Alfred Phillips – see also PRINCE ALBERT.

John Edwin Guest – see also HARGATE TAVERN.

An Ordinary Removal of the full license from the BOILERMAKERS ARMS, Ryder Street, was granted on 10th March 1955, and confirmed on 19th April 1955.

[2014]



1997



2014



2008

VINE

Dudley Road, Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Cartwright [1834] – [1851]
Henry Cartwright [1858] – [1861]
William Hardy [1864] – [1865]
Samuel Hardwick [1868] – [1870]
John Winney [1871] – [1872]
Thomas Swiner [] – **1872**;
Mrs. Maria Hammond (**1872** – [1873])

NOTES

Swan Village [1860]

1841 Census

Swan Village

- [1] *John Cartwright* (40);
- [2] *Mary Cartwright* (35), born Staffordshire;
- [3] *Charles Cartwright* (?), born Staffordshire;
- [4] *John Hackett* (23), ms, born Staffordshire;
- [5] *Esther Hadley* (29), fs, born Staffordshire;
- [6] *Elizabeth Leach*(?) (20), fs, born Staffordshire;
- [7] *Aston Thatcher* (18), fs, born Staffordshire:

John Cartwright was also a maltster. [1845], [1849], [1850]

1851 Census

Swan Village

- [1] *John Cartwright* (51), maltster, born Birmingham;
- [2] *Mary Cartwright* (46), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *John Cartwright* (21), son, born Dudley;
- [4] *Henry Cartwright* (19), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Maria Cartwright* (11), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *James Jones* (18), man servant, born Birmingham;
- [7] *Phoebe Scriven* (21), house servant, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Louisa Ellis* (31), visitor, born Worcester;
- [9] *Charles Cartwright* (9), son, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

Swan Village – VINE INN

- [1] *John Winney* (52), publickian, born Pembridge, Herefordshire;
- [2] *Maria Winney* (46), wife, born Middleton on the Hill;
- [3] *Ann Hammond* (25), daughter, widow, born Docklaw;
- [4] *John Winney* (23), son, tanner, born Bromyard;
- [5] *Thomas Winney* (21), son, painter, born Bromyard;
- [6] *Edward Winney* (7), son, scholar, born Docklaw;
- [7] *Elizabeth Winney* (5), daughter, scholar, born Bishops Castle, Shropshire;
- [8] *Ellen Carwardine* (24), visitor, general servant, born Kidderminster:

VINE

14, (12), Hill Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas James, 7, Stafford Street, Wednesbury
William Downing, Smethwick
Holder's Brewery Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]

LICENSEES

William Frier [1871] - **1874**;
Thomas James (**1874 - 1878**);
Joseph Robinson (**1878 - [1881]**)
Joseph Roberts [] - **1884**;
William Thomas (**1884 - 1888**);
Francis Twist (**1888 - 1889**);
John Duffield (**1889 - 1891**);
John Lees (**1891 - []**)
Edwin Russell Clarkson [] - **1907**;
William John Smith (**1907 - 1908**);
Henry Samuel Harris (**1908 - 1909**);
John Thomas Jackson (**1909**);
William Coleman (**1909 - 1910**);
Claude Nicholls (**1910**);
George Thomas Sant (**1910 - 1912**);
Sarah Williams (**1912 - 1921**);
Rosannah Scholey (**1921 - 1926**);
Thomas Joseph Oakley (**1926 - 1929**);
Horace William Cooper (**1929 - 1934**);
Alfred John Houghton (**1934 - 1935**);
Sidney Homer (**1935 - 1940**);
James Henry Fenton (**1940 - 1942**);
Samuel Edwards (**1942 - 1944**);
Elizabeth Edwards (**1944 - 1947**);
Samuel Edwards (**1947 - 1952**);
Roy Compton (**1952 - 1953**);
Herbert Eliot Jarvis (**1953 - 1955**);
William Ernest Innes (**1955 - []**)

NOTES

12, Hill Street [1881]
14, Hill Street [1891]

It had a beerhouse license.

William Frier = William Friar

1871 Census

Hill Street

- [1] *William Friar* (39), retail beer seller, born Burlingham Durrand, Worcestershire;
- [2] *Mary Friar* (40), wife, born Queen County, Ireland;
- [3] *Ann Friar* (10), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Friar* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Emma Friar* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Lucy Friar* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

12, Hill Street – VINE INN

- [1] *Joseph Robinson* (30), licensed beer seller, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Mary Robinson* (26), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Samuel Robinson* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Annie Robinson* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Joseph Robinson* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Robinson* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1891 Census

14, Hill Street – VINE INN

- [1] *John Lees* (31), joiner and beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Lees* (32), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John S. Lees* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Florence G. Lees* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *William H. Lees* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Maud B. Lees* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Alice B. Lees* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Christopher W. Lees* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Minnie Knight* (13), general servant, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

Hill Street, Hill Top

- [1] *George Thomas Sant* (50), beer seller, born Derby;
- [2] *Harriett Sant* (37), wife, married 9 years, beer seller, born Shardlow, Derbyshire:

James Henry Fenton – see also BRITANNIA, Parliament Street.

A full license was granted on 9th February 1956, and confirmed on 18th April 1956.

VINE

10, Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

George Downing, maltster, Smethwick
W. E. and T. L. Downing, maltsters, Smethwick
Edgar Evans, Wellhead Brewery, Perry Barr (leased)

LICENSEES

William Jones [1871] – [1872]
Eliza Jones [1871] – **1881**);
Samuel Jones (**1881 – 1882**);
Charles Tomkins (**1882 – 1883**);
Richard Williams (**1883 – 1885**);
Thomas Goldie (**1885 – 1888**);
James Warwick Stones (**1888**);
Joseph Lyons (**1888 – 1889**);
William Thomas Mortiboy Smith (**1889 – 1890**);
Henry Jordan (**1890 – 1895**);
John Hancox (**1895 – 1896**);
William Hill (**1896**);
John Compton (**1896**);
Joseph William Hall (**1896**);
John Middleton (**1896 – 1897**);
Arthur Beard (**1897 – 1898**);
Elisabeth Webel (**1898**);
Aaron Payton (**1898 – 1899**);
Edwin Tuberville (**1899 – 1900**);
George Withers (**1900 – 1901**);
William Husband (**1901 – 1902**);
John James Paddock (**1902 – 1908**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1871 Census

Paradise Street – VINE INN

- [1] *William Jones* (36), miner, born Tipton;
- [2] *Eliza Jones* (34), wife, publican, born Tipton;
- [3] *Thomas Jones* (6), son, scholar, born Sedgley;
- [4] *Elizabeth Jones* (5), daughter, scholar, born Sedgley;
- [5] *John Hughes* (60), father in law, miner, born Sedgley;
- [6] *Elizabeth Hughes* (60), mother, born Sedgley;
- [7] *James Baker* (57), lodger, traveller, born Stroud, Gloucestershire;
- [8] *Samuel Birch* (47), lodger, gardiner (sic), born London:

William Jones, beer retailer, Paradise Street. [1872]

1881 Census

10, Paradise Street - VINE

- [1] *Samuel Jones* (28), moulder, born Tipton;
- [2] *Eliza Jones* (40), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Thomas Jones* (16), son, born Sedgley;
- [4] *Elizabeth Jones* (14), daughter, born Sedgley;
- [5] *John William Jones* (9), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ada Jones* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Arthur Jones* (3), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Henry William Jones* (57), lodger, labourer, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Samuel Birch* (42), lodger, gardener, born London:

Thomas Goldie – see also NEW TALBOT.

Richard Williams – check also GREAT WESTERN.

James Warwick Stones, beer retailer, 10, Paradise Street. [1888], [1889]

Joseph Lyons, beer retailer, 10, Paradise Street. [1889]

He was fined 5s and costs, on 19th December 1889, for permitting drunkenness.

1891 Census

10, Paradise Street

- [1] *Henry Jordan* (48), publican, born Farlow, Suffolk;
- [2] *Sarah Jordan* (56), wife, born Farlow, Suffolk;
- [3] *Clara Thomas* (17), granddaughter, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] *William Coleman* (27), visitor, hawker, hosiery, born Leicester;
- [5] *William Chamberlain* (24), visitor, hawker, hosiery, born Leicester:

Henry Jordan, beer retailer, 10, Paradise Street. [1892], [1896]

John Hancox – see also QUEENS HEAD, New Street.

Edwin Tuberville = Edwin Taberville

Edwin Tuberville was fined £5 and costs, on 9th January 1899, for three cases of suffering gaming. The license renewal was refused in August 1899, on the grounds that *Edwin Taberville* was keeping a house of disorderly character.

Edwin Tuberville, beer retailer, 10, Paradise Street. [1900]

George Withers – check also QUEENS HEAD, New Street.

1901 Census

10, Paradise Street – VINE INN

- [1] *William Husband* (51), beerhouse keeper, born Kempton, Shropshire;
- [2] *Hannah Husband* (43), wife, born Wolverhampton;
- [3] *William Husband* (24), son, barman, born Wolverhampton;
- [4] *Elizabeth Husband* (21), daughter, pearl button maker, born Wolverhampton;
- [5] *Gertrude Husband* (19), daughter, born Wolverhampton;
- [6] *Hannah Husband* (17), daughter, pearl button maker, born Wolverhampton;
- [7] *Lucy Husband* (14), daughter, wood rule maker, born Birmingham;
- [8] *Martha Husband* (12), daughter, born Birmingham:

William Husband was fined 20s and costs, on 12th August 1901, for permitting drunkenness.

John Paddock, beer retailer, 10, Paradise Street. [1904], [1908]

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 12th March 1908.

The license renewal was refused by the Compensation Authority on 23rd June 1908.

The license was extinguished on 10th October 1908.

VINE

152, (134), Roebuck Street / Roebuck Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Edward Cox, High Street, West Bromwich
William Downing, maltster, Smethwick
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1980]
Suresh Prabhu Patel

LICENSEES

William Monk [1861] – **1872**);
George Matthews (**1872 – 1874**);
Josiah Holden (**1874 – 1875**);
Ann Mary Holden (**1875**);
John Lyman (**1875 – 1903**);
Mrs. Mary Ann Lyman (**1903 – 1905**);
John Turley (**1905 – 1936**);
Thomas Turley (**1936 – 1959**);
Edith Burford (**1959 – 1973**)
Jagtar Singh (**1975 – 1976**);
Sulkman Singh (**1976 – 1978**)
Suresh 'Suki' Prabhu Patel (**1978 – 1988**);
Vinod Gosai Patel (**1988**);
Suresh 'Suki' Prabhu Patel (**1988 – [2007]**)

NOTES

134, Roebuck Street [1891]
152, Roebuck Street

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census

Roebuck Street

[1] *William Monk* (39), retail brewer and boat builder, born West Bromwich;
[2] *Mary Monk* (29), wife, born Birmingham:

William Monk, beer retailer, Roebuck Street. [1864], [1868], [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Roebuck Street – Beerhouse

[1] *William Monk* (49), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
[2] *Martha Monk* (34), wife, born Alvechurch;
[3] *Emily Finch* (14), visitor, born Stoke:

Josiah Holden was married to *Ann Mary*.
He died in 1875.

1891 Census

134, Roebuck Street

- [1] *John Lyman* (34), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Jane Lyman* (33), wife, born Liverpool;
- [3] *James W. Lyman* (10), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John Lyman* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eliza Lyman* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

John Lyman was the brother of *James*. (see ROYAL EXCHANGE)

He was married to *Mary Ann*. [second wife?]

He was a committee member of West Bromwich and District LVA. [1902]

He died in 1903.

Mrs. Mary Ann Lyman, beer retailer, 152, Roebuck Street. [1904]

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Air-Gun League. [1906]

John Turley, beer retailer, 152, Roebuck Street, [1908]

Edith Burford was married to *George Walter Burford*.

A Publican's License was granted on 4th February 1960, and confirmed on 12th April 1960.

[2014]



1996



2014



2008

VULCAN

194, (104), (126), Oldbury Road, Greets Green, (Albion), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Rogers

Atkinsons Ltd. [1897]

Julia Hanson and Sons Ltd. [1930]

LICENSEES

James Massey [1860] – [1861]

Sarah Massey [1861]

William Holland [1864] – [1881]

John Rogers [1888] – **1897**;

Charles Adams (**1897 – 1906**);

William Reed (**1906 – 1907**);

Hubert McGowan (**1907 – 1908**);

William Reed (**1908 – 1910**);

Jack Silvester (**1910**);

William Scriven (**1910 – 1913**);

Edward Henry Preece (**1913 – 1915**);

Harry Clarke (**1915 – 1917**);

Lily Ann Clarke (**1917 – 1919**);

Daniel Jeavons (**1919 – 1923**);

Charles Benjamin Kay (**1923 – 1926**);

William Tansley (**1926 – 1930**);

NOTES

Oldbury Road [1860], [1868]

Oldbury Lane [1861]

126, Oldbury Road [1881], [1888], [1889]

194, Oldbury Road [1891], [1892], [1896], [1900], [1901], [1904], [1908]

104, Oldbury Road [1896] possibly a typographical error

It had a beerhouse license.

It had stabling at the rear.

1861 Census

Oldbury Road

[1] Sarah Massey (32), widow, victualler, born Oldbury;

[2] James Massey (19), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[3] Susannah _____ (66), mother, born Shropshire;

[4] Maria Allen (29), sister in law, born Worcester,

[5] Mary Skidmore (1), niece, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

Oldbury Road – VULCAN INN

- [1] *William Holland* (42), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Holland* (42), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *John Holland* (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Holland* (4), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ellenor Holland* (3), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Holland* (1), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Mary Skidmore* (11), niece, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

126, Oldbury Road

- [1] *William Holland* (52), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Holland* (52), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Holland* (17), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Sarah Holland* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Eleanor Holland* (13), daughter, milliner, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Holland* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Betsey Holland* (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Mary A. Harris* (71), widow, visitor, born Oldbury:

1891 Census

194, Oldbury Road

- [1] *John Rogers* (36), licensed victualler. Born Tipton;
- [2] *Annie Rogers* (34), wife, born Halesowen;
- [3] *Ernest Rogers* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Bertie Rogers* (10), son, scholar, born Oldbury;
- [5] *Gladys May Rogers* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Eve Billingham* (16), domestic servant, born Cradley Heath:

1901 Census

194, Oldbury Road

- [1] *Charles Adams* (37), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Leah Adams* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Joseph Hall* (19), stepson, coachbuilder's apprentice, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *William Hall* (18), stepson, clerk, manufacturer's, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Reginald Hall* (16), stepson, ironmonger's apprentice, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Sarah Wood* (41), sister in law, unmarried, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Lizzie Castle* (26), housemaid, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Weekly News 14/12/1901

“On Monday evening an inquest was led by Mr. James Clark (Borough Coroner) at the VULCAN INN, Oldbury Road, Greets Green, concerning the death of *William Clift Barratt* (57), licensee of the ROWAY INN, Albion, who died under peculiar circumstances on Friday night, the 6th inst.

William David Barratt, son of deceased, stated that his father had not enjoyed very good health during the past few years. On Friday night, November 29th, he came home in a trap, accompanied by Mr. Johnson and Mr. Lowe. Witness could see he had had drink, and was unable to speak for a time. Suddenly, however, he seemed to wake up and said he wanted to go to ‘roost’, meaning that he wished to go to bed.

The Coroner: Did he tell you how he came by the injury to his leg?

Witness: No, I don't think he knew what had really happened.

Did he have his faculties afterwards?

Yes, two or three days after the occurrence. He said he did not know how he came by the injury.

Witness, continuing, said about five or six minutes after he returned home on the night in question he tried to get his father up to bed. He could not use his legs, and witness noticed some moisture on the floor. This led him to examine

deceased's legs, when on one of them he found a wound, while his trousers had also been torn. Witness thereupon sent for Dr. Allen. Witness did not know the two men (Johnson and Lowe) to be friends of his father. His father was not insured.

In reply to the foreman of the jury (Mr. Richards), witness said he did not see his father until he had been brought out of the trap into the house.

Joseph Lowe was next called into the room, and the Coroner said it was his duty to inform him that he need not give evidence unless he wished to do so, inasmuch that in connection with *Barratt's* death something might have happened in which he (Lowe) took an interest and would be consequently involved.

Lowe intimated that he would prefer to give evidence, whereupon he was sworn. He stated that he was a breeze dealer and general haulier, and resided at Chapel Farm, Smethwick. He did not know Mr. *Barratt*, the deceased, and so far as his knowledge went had never seen him until the day in question, when witness and a friend named Johnson visited the ROWAY INN, Albion, formerly kept by the deceased. They drove there in a trap. They had something to drink, and subsequently Mr. Johnson mentioned that he wished to go to Dudley, whereupon Mr. *Barratt* said he would like to go with them. Witness, who was the owner of the pony and trap, offered no objection, and they all three started for Dudley about six o'clock in the evening. They drove to the CASTLE HOTEL, Dudley, first, where Johnson and witness had a glass of mild and bitter beer, but witness was unable to say what *Barratt* had. They did not stay there many minutes, and on leaving *Barratt* asked them to go with him to his brother's public house [possibly the SWAN] opposite the CASTLE HOTEL. They did so, had another drink, and left deceased there. Witness and Johnson then went about their business, and did not see *Barratt* again till about 9.30 the same night. They drove back to the CASTLE HOTEL, and witness went across to the public house opposite, where they had previously left deceased, and found him still there and under the influence of drink. *Barratt* insisted on being supplied with another drink, and the barmaid allowed him to have one. After he had drunk it witness caught hold of deceased's arm to assist him across to the CASTLE HOTEL yard, where the pony and trap was standing. As soon as *Barratt* got into the fresh air he seemed to lose the use of his legs, and witness asked a gentleman to hold him up while he fetched Mr. Johnson out of the hotel. They had to almost carry *Barratt* across the road, and they laid him across the bottom of the trap, his head being put to rest on a rug. He lay on his side, and his legs hung out of the other side of the vehicle. Witness had charge of the reins, and Mr. Johnson sat on his left.

The Coroner: Did *Barratt* move at all?

Witness: He moved when about half way between Dudley and his home.

Did you hear him cry out at all? No, sir, he only moved his body about.

You mean to say he got rather restless while in the trap?

Yes, sir.

When you started back from Dudley were his legs away from the wheel?

Yes, sir.

Where did you first notice him move?

By the BLUE BALL, Tividale.

Then till you reached there he never manifested any signs that anything wrong was happening?

No, sir. Continuing, witness said they pulled up at *Barratt's* house and got him into the sitting room. They then saw that a portion of his trousers was torn.

By the Coroner: They did not know they were torn until they had returned to the house. A doctor was then sent for. Witness did not see the actual injury to deceased's leg until the doctor arrived.

The Coroner: Did it not occur to you that the wheel of the trap might injure the man in the position you placed him?

Witness: No, sir. We could see his legs were clear of the wheel until we got into Oldbury Lane, where it was so dark that you could not see your hand before you.

By the Foreman: Deceased was put into the vehicle quite safe.

Was he injured at all in being got into the trap? Asked the foreman, witness replying that he was not.

William Johnson, breeze dealer, etc, of 46, Crocketts Lane, Handsworth, said the previous witness and himself called at the ROWAY INN, Albion, about three o'clock in the afternoon of November 29th. About six o'clock they drove to Dudley. Mr. *Barratt* accompanying them Witness believed the latter had whisky at the CASTLE HOTEL, though he could not say for certain. Witness corroborated the evidence of Lowe with reference to visiting another public house kept by the deceased's brother, to leaving *Barratt* there, and to assisting him out about 9.30. He was helplessly drunk. Witness got into the trap first, caught hold of deceased's arms, and pulled him in. He was laid in front of the vehicle, his head being on the driving side and his legs extended over the other end. Deceased lay on his side. When driving through the Duck Hole witness noticed *Barratt* move, and he seemed to put his foot further down.

The Coroner: When he was first put into that position were his legs away from the wheel?

Witness: Oh, yes!

Witness added that he did not observe that *Barratt's* position in the vehicle had altered until they came by the gasworks. His left leg was on top of the right leg, and appeared to be further out of the trap. Witness did not notice that his leg was in contact with the wheel of the vehicle. There was no skotch on the wheel, and witness did not notice anything to effect its freedom in the least. When they got him out of the trap at his home they found that his trousers had been worn through, the wheel evidently having been grinding against his leg. The cloth was worn quite through, and an examination showed that the flesh had been cut also. When they started from Dudley witness and Lowe were careful to see that deceased's legs did not touch the wheel of the trap. Witness was of opinion that the wheel did not come in contact with deceased until they reached the BLUE BALL at Tividale. They could see from the light of the street lamps that his legs were clear of the wheel until they reached the BLUE BALL, the road afterwards being very dark. There was only one lamp on the trap, that being on the driving side, while deceased's legs were on the other side. Witness never heard *Barratt* cry out at all.

Dr. William Allen, of Great Bridge, stated that he was summoned to the ROWAY INN, Albion, late on Friday night, the 12th inst. He saw Mr. *Barratt*, who was in a very intoxicated condition. The two witnesses, Lowe and Johnson, were also present. Both were sober. Upon examining deceased's right leg he found a contused lacerated wound on the lower part of the thigh, which contained pieces of cloth, and other foreign matter. The wound was one which would be likely to be caused by constant rubbing against a wheel of a trap. Deceased expired on the Friday following, the 6th inst, at seven o'clock. The cause of death was blood poisoning supervening the injury to the leg. Witness attended him every day up to the time of his death. He knew *Barratt* very well, having previously attended him. He was a fairly healthy man, but had of late been a heavy drinker.

The Coroner summed up at considerable length. The circumstances of the case, he remarked, were most peculiar and unusual; in fact, he had never had such an extraordinary case to inquire into before. Should the jury be of opinion that the two men, Johnson and Lowe, who having taken charge of a helpless man had been so grossly and culpably negligent in the way they dealt with him, then the case would amount to one of manslaughter against them; but if, on the other hand, they felt that the two men in question had done their best they could with the deceased man under the circumstances, then they would be free from blame. It was a similar case to a person taking charge of a baby who could not look after itself. He asked them to form their verdict simply on the evidence given before them that afternoon. It was an important matter. Personally, he was of opinion that Lowe and Johnson did not act utterly regardless as to the safety of the man, and after examining the vehicle in question he failed to see what more they could have done. Could they have put deceased in the vehicle in a different way, and so secure his safety? Personally, he could not see how they could have done so.

The jury, after consulting together in private, returned a verdict of Accidental Death and exonerated Johnson and Lowe from any blame in the matter. The foreman, on behalf of the jury expressed sympathy with the relatives of the deceased.

The funeral of the late Mr. *William C. Barratt* took place on Tuesday afternoon at the Uplands Cemetery, Smethwick.....”

Harry Clarke was fined £1 and £2 4s 6d special costs, on 23rd December 1915, for giving over measure of beer.

It was sold for £1,400, at auction, on 14th October 1929.

William Tansley – see also RISING SUN, and VINE, High Street.

The license was removed to the NEW TALBOT, Black Lake.

The house closed on 17th April 1930.

It was converted into flats.

WAGGON AND HORSES

101, (99), High Street, Heath, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Maria Smith, Aldridge
Benjamin Dutton Harper, Great Bridge, Tipton
Thomas Capsey
Thomas Oliver Ltd. [1904]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1945]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Henry Knight [1830] – [1850]
Robert Doody [] – **1890**);
Joseph Bates (**1890 – 1891**);
George Holmes Griffin (**1891 – 1896**);
John William Griffiths (**1896 – 1898**);
John Griffin (**1898**);
James Smith Jnr. (**1898 – 1899**);
Charles Frederick Huggett (**1899 – 1900**);
Thomas Joseph Johnson (**1900**);
William Thomas Baston (**1900 – 1901**);
George Edward Clay (**1901 – 1902**);
Ernest Thomas (**1902**);
James Hicken (**1902**);
William Smith (**1902 – 1903**);
Joseph William Linforth (**1903 – 1904**);
Thomas Capsey (**1904 – 1907**);
Edward Samuel Fullwood (**1907 – 1928**);
Frederick Joseph Moore (**1928 – 1931**);
John Roberts (**1931 – 1935**);
Walter Hartwell (**1935 – 1940**);
Lewis Leslie Mills (**1940 – 1942**);
Helena Mills (**1942 – 1950**);
John Arthur Lucas Garner (**1950 – 1952**);
Cyril George Lawrence (**1952 – 1953**);
Richard Albert Harrison (**1953 – 1957**);
John Bernard Hanlon (**1957 – []**)
Pauline Taylor [1992] – [1993]

NOTES

99, High Street [1891]
101, High Street

It had a beerhouse license.

It had a brewery attached.

Henry Knight was also a wine and spirit merchant. [1835]
He was also described as being also a wine merchant and agent for Whitbread's stouts. [1845], [1849], [1850]

It had a dancing room. [1875]

The license of *Robert Doody* was declared void on 10th October 1890, after he admitted that he had been convicted of a felony. The license was granted to *Joseph Baker*.

1891 Census

99, High Street – WAGGON AND HORSES INN

- [1] *George Holmes Griffin* (47), retail brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Pamela Griffin* (45), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *John Griffin* (18), son, filer, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Arthur Griffin* (16), son, spring balance worker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Florence S. Griffin* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Cahrles Griffin* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *George Griffin* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Sarah Bennett* (17), general servant, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 13/1/1900

“*Frederick Parkes* (31), of no fixed abode, *Thomas Jones* (33), *Treddles Lane*, and *Samuel Woolley* (32), *Braybrook Street*, West Bromwich, were charged with stealing 2s 6d from a till at the WAGGON AND HORSES, High Street, West Bromwich on the 5th inst. The prisoners visited the inn, and after remaining there for some time, *Parkes* was detected with his hand in the till by *Mrs. Johnson*, wife of the landlord. *Jones* and *Woolley* were discharged, but *Parkes* was sentenced to 21 days imprisonment with hard labour.”

Ernest Thomas was fined £6 and costs, on 28th April 1902, for three cases of permitting gaming.

Joseph William Linforth, beer retailer, 99, High Street. [1904]

Smethwick Telephone 9/7/1904 - Advert

“Monday, next, July 11th 1904 Messrs. *Samuel Jones, Son and Vernon* have received instructions to offer for sale by auction at the SANDWELL HOTEL Lot 1 – The valuable Freehold Beerhouse and Premises, with Brewery in the rear, known as the WAGGON AND HORSES, High Street, West Bromwich, subject to a lease which expires 25th March next, at a rent of £50 per annum.

The house comprises front bar, smoke room, tap room, kitchen, scullery, pantry, two good cellars with rolling way, oak staircase, club room, three good bedrooms, clothes closet, and attic. Outside is a paved yard are two-horse stable, and coach house with loft over, coal house, two wc's, and other outbuildings, side entrance from Water Street; also a small brewery fitted with two boilers &c.....”

1911 Census

99, High Street

- [1] *Edward Samuel Fullwood* (35), publican, born West Smethwick;
- [2] *Lydia Fullwood* (35), wife, married 14 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Maria Fullwood* (60), mother, widow, born West Smethwick;
- [4] *Fanny Fullwood* (13), daughter, school, born West Smethwick;
- [5] *Samuel Fullwood* (11), son, school, born West Smethwick;
- [6] *Elsie Fullwood* (9), daughter, school, born West Smethwick;
- [7] *Joseph Fullwood* (6), son, born West Smethwick;
- [8] *Annie Thornton* (29), sister, married, servant, born West Smethwick:

Walter Hartwell was fined £5 and £5 5s 0d special costs, on 14th December 1939, for aiding and abetting the consumption of intoxicating liquor during non-permitted hours.

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

[1996]

Closed [2003]

It was converted into a shop.

SALES BY AUCTION.
WEST BROMWICH.
MONDAY NEXT, JULY 11th, 1904.
SALE BY AUCTION OF
FREEHOLD BEERHOUSE & BREWERY,
FREEHOLD SHOP PROPERTY,
FREEHOLD DWELLING HOUSES,
AND
FREEHOLD SHOP, DWELLING HOUSE,
AND LAND.
MESSRS.
SAMUEL JONES, SON, AND VERNON
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HOTEL, HIGH ST., WEST BROMWICH,
on MONDAY NEXT, JULY 11th, 1904, commencing at 6-30 for 7 o'clock in the Evening, the following valuable Properties :—
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This Property should command the attention of brewers and free license holders, and as it is situated on the main road in one of the best business positions in West Bromwich, and after March next becomes a free house, it forms a good sound investment.

Advert 1904



1996

WAGGON AND HORSES

274, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Green
Mary Ann Green
George Thompson, Langley Green, Oldbury
John Thompson, maltster, Langley Green, Oldbury
Thomas Oliver Ltd. [1911]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Sarah Green [1868] – 1871);
John Green (1871 – 1875);
Mary Ann Green (1875 – 1881);
Joseph Lloyd (1881 – 1883);
John Baker (1883 – 1890);
Ann Stockley (1890 – 1899);
John William Griffiths (1899 – 1900);
Samuel Nicholls (1900);
John Beetlestone (1900 – 1902);
William Spooner (1902 – 1904);
George Brookes (1904);
Henry James Jenks (1904 – 1905);
Ernest Charles Lee (1905 – 1927):

NOTES

It had a beer and wine license.

Mrs. *Sarah Green*, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

Spon Lane – WAGGON AND HORSES

[1] *Sarah Green* (66), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *John Green* (44), son, moulder, born West Bromwich:

John Green, beer retailer, Spon Lane. [1872]

He was married to *Mary Ann*.

He died in 1875.

1881 Census

274, Spon Lane

[1] *Joseph Lloyd* (30), retail brewer, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Mary A. Lloyd* (23), wife, born Rowley Regis;

[3] *Clara Lloyd* (6), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] *John A. Lloyd* (4), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Thomas Lloyd* (8 months), son, born Smethwick;

[6] *Mary Trowman* (14), domestic servant, born Rowley Regis:

John Baker was fined 20s and costs, on 28th March 1889, for opening during prohibited hours.

1891 Census

274, Spon Lane

[1] *Ann Stockley* (49), widow, brewer's manager, born West Bromwich;

[2] *John Stockley* (23), son, born America, US;

[3] *Henry Stockley* (26), son, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

274, Spon Lane

[1] *John Beetlestone* (35), manager, licensed house, born Birmingham;

[2] *Martha Theresa Beetlestone* (39), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Mabel Beetlestone* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *John Beetlestone* (4), son, born West Bromwich:

William Spooner, beer retailer, 274, Spon Lane. [1904]

1911 Census

274, Spon Lane – WAGGON AND HORSES

[1] *Ernest Charles Lee* (33), builder's carpenter, born Kent;

[2] *Lilian Lee* (28), wife, married 9 years, born Northampton;

[3] *Violet Mable Lee* (8), daughter, school, born Leamington:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority.

The license renewal was refused on 22nd June 1926.

The license was extinguished on 31st May 1927.

WAGGON AND HORSES +

WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Richard Shenstone [1818]

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Richard Shenstone was also a corn dealer and seedsman. [1818]

WEIGHING MACHINE

Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

WELLINGTON

101, Great Bridge Street, (101, Swan Road), (Dudley Road), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Josiah Guest Esq., Beeches Road, West Bromwich
Samuel Woodhall Ltd. [1898]
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd. [1938]

LICENSEES

Thomas John Price [1868] – [1870]
Thomas Chambers [1871] – [1888]
John Chambers [1889]
Miss Mary Ann Chambers [1890] – **1902**);
John Dunn (**1902 – 1904**);
John Henry Smith (**1904 – 1906**);
John Edward Nayler (**1906 – 1907**);
Thomas Clarke (**1907 – 1911**);
John Whitney (**1911 – 1912**);
Thomas Clarke (**1912 – 1915**);
Joseph Collins (**1915 – 1916**);
Alfred Crump (**1916**);
Minnie Crump (**1916 – 1921**);
Alfred Crump (**1921 – 1923**);
William Isaac Saxon (**1923 – 1924**);
Richard James Draper (**1924 – 1940**);
Thomas Henry Towe (**1940 – 1950**);
Mrs. Jane Towe (**1950 – 1951**);
John Cook (**1951 – 1953**);
William Bert Clarke (**1953**);
James Richard Senior (**1953 – 1958**);
Albert Smith (**1958 – []**)
E M Carnell []

NOTES

Dudley Road [1868]
101, Swan Road [1881]
101, Great Bridge Street [1901]

It was popular with pigeon flyers.

Thomas John Price, beer retailer, Great Bridge Street. [1868], [1870]
He was married to Selina.

Dudley Herald 9/5/1868 - Advert

“Unreserved clearing out sale WELLINGTON INN, Dudley Road, Swan Village To be sold by auction, household furniture belonging to Mr. *Price*, who has let the premises and the incoming tenant does not require them.....”

1871 Census

Great Bridge Road – WELLINGTON INN

- [1] *Thomas Chambers* (44), victualler and roller, born Kingswinford;
- [2] *Mary Ann Chambers* (46), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Elizabeth Chambers* (22), daughter, born Hilton(?);
- [4] *Mary Ann Chambers* (19), daughter, birthplace not known;
- [5] *Sarah Chambers* (14), daughter, born Kingswinford;
- [6] *John Thomas Edward Chambers* (12), son, scholar, born Bilston;
- [7] *Eugenie Chambers* (9), daughter, scholar, born Kingswinford;
- [8] *Walter Henry Chambers* (8), son, scholar, born Kingswinford;
- [9] *Cornelius Chambers* (7), son, scholar, born Kingswinford;
- [10] *Florence Ellen Chambers* (4), daughter, scholar, born Kingswinford:

Wednesbury Herald 26/4/1879

“An inquest was held on Wednesday, by Mr. Edwin Hooper, at the WELLINGTON INN, West Bromwich, touching the death of Mrs. Mary Ann Chambers, wife of Mr. Thomas Chambers, of Great Bridge Road.

Mrs. Chambers was apparently in her usual health on Sunday, but suddenly complained of giddiness in her head, and fell down. Her daughter and husband went to her assistance, but she expired in less than five minutes. The medical opinion was that the heart of the deceased had been affected.

The jury returned a verdict of Death from natural causes.”

1881 Census

101, Swan Road

- [1] *Thomas Chambers* (54), licensed victualler, born Brettell Lane;
- [2] *Mary A. Chambers* (29), daughter, born Pensnett;
- [3] *Sarah Chambers* (25), daughter, born Pensnett;
- [4] *Eugenia Chambers* (19), daughter born Pensnett;
- [5] *Walter M. Chambers* (18), son, pattern maker, born Round Oak;
- [6] *Cornelius Chambers* (16), son, butcher, born Round Oak;
- [7] *Florence Chambers* (14), daughter, scholar, born Round Oak;
- [8] *Phoebe Turner* (15), general servant, born Swan Village:

West Bromwich Weekly News 19/11/1887

An inquest was held on Tuesday, at the WELLINGTON INN, Great Bridge, by Mr. E. Hooper, coroner, relative to the death of Agnes Burton, aged 16, 88, Old Forge, Great Bridge, whose body was found in the canal on Sunday.

Sarah Jane Burton, sister of deceased, stated that deceased had not lived at home for three months, being in service at Birmingham. She had been going to the hospital previous to going away, but they never told her what was the matter with her. She had been strange ever since the affair at Stafford, when some young men were charged with committing a rape upon her. It was 12 months ago this November. She heard of her death on Sunday afternoon.

Samuel Andrews, a travelling showman, stated that on Friday night at 10.45, he was going to his lodgings at the NAGS HEAD, when he found an umbrella, a white straw hat, a silk jacket, a fur tippet, a brown dress, an apron, some underlinen, gloves, etc. They were 100 yards from the Swan Bridge. He saw a young woman close to the canal, but he took no particular notice of her. She was walking along the footpath on the opposite side of the road. He took the articles to a public house, and the police were sent for. He showed them where he found the clothes, and where he saw the young woman.

PC Thomas stated that early on Saturday morning he saw the articles at the Police Station, and on Sunday morning the clothes were identified, and although search had been made in the canal nothing had been discovered. He had been told that the girl had gone home on the Friday night, and was refused admittance, but this was denied by the parents, who seemed very fond of the girl. She had been at service in Bissell Street, Birmingham, her mistress being named Mrs. Morgan, who went home on the Thursday night and found a young man in the house with deceased, and she turned her out. She also stated that she was a loose and dirty girl. She had not been seen by anyone in Greets Green on Friday night, although the clothes were found near her home. The officer then stated the circumstances of the alleged rape 12 months ago, and said she always appeared not so sharp, as she should have been.

Thomas Burton, brother of deceased, stated that his sister was brought to his house about 3.15am on last Friday morning, by a policeman, and he asked her where she had been, when she said she had lost her road. She told him

that the master had gone home drunk and turned her out. He made her a bed on the sofa, and when he went to work he recommended her to go straight home to West Bromwich, which she said she would. She brought the children some sweets, and when she left, about 11.30, she said she was not going home, but after another place.

PC Thomas stated, in reply to the coroner, that the young man found at the house with the girl, got away as quick as he could.

The Coroner said there did not appear any evidence to show how deceased got into the water, and the only supposition was that she was afraid to go home, being dismissed from her place. The girl's statement that she was turned out by the master was not correct, as he did not go home until after she was gone.

The Jury returned an open verdict of Found Drowned."

Mary Ann Chambers was the daughter of Thomas Chambers.

1901 Census

101, Great Bridge Street – WELLINGTON INN

[1] *Mary A. Chambers* (49), unmarried, licensed victualler, born Pensnett;

[2] *Florence N. Chambers* (24), sister, born Tipton;

[3] *Cornelius Chambers* (20), brother, brewer, born Brierley Hill:

Thomas Clarke = Thomas Clark

1911 Census

Great Bridge Street – WELLINGTON INN

[1] *John Whitney* (38), licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Ruth Whitney* (38), wife, married 9 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Jack Whitnry* (6), son, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Henry Towe was married to *Jane*.

He died in 1950.

[1983]

Closed



c. 1980



1986

WELLINGTON

36, Newhall Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Downing, Smethwick
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

Samuel Dolphin [1871] – **1873**);
Hilkeah Hill (**1873**);
John William Waldsen (**1873 – 1874**);
John Coxon (**1874**);
Edward Jackson (**1874**);
Edwin Standing (**1874 – 1887**);
Luther Cotterill (**1887 – 1889**);
Albert Hughes (**1889 – []**)
Luther Cotterill [] – **1898**);
Mrs. Elizabeth (Cotterill) Robinson (**1898 – 1908**);
Edwin Povey (**1908 – 1913**);
Thomas Arthur Fleet (**1913 – 1950**);
Leonard Thomas Chamberlain (**1950 – 1951**);
Frederick Wilkes (**1951 – 1955**);
Herbert Victor Rooney (**1955 – 1956**);
Thomas George Buckley (**1956 – 1957**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Aaron Baggott, beer retailer, New Hall Street. [1870], [1872]

1871 Census

Newhall Street

- [1] *Samuel Dolphin* (29), publican and agent for society, born Wolverhampton;
- [2] Ellen Dolphin (28), wife, born Willenhall;
- [3] Charles F. Dolphin (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Catherine Dolphin (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

36, Newhall Street – WELLINGTON INN

- [1] *Edwin Standing* (32), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Marria Standing (31), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] John Standing (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] Clara Jane Standing (8), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Martha Standing (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] James Standing (7), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Marian Standing (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Charles Fred Standing (6 months), born West Bromwich:

Luther Cotterill, beer retailer, 36, Newhall Street. [1888], [1892]

He was married to *Elizabeth*.

He died in 1898.

1901 Census

36, Newhall Street -, WELLINGTON INN

[1] *Elizabeth Robinson* (41), widow, licensed victualler, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Harry Cotterill* (16), son, moulder (iron), born West Bromwich;

[3] *Lily Cotterill* (17), daughter, domestic servant, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Owen Cotterill* (15), son, polisher in iron works, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Aaron Cotterill* (10), son, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Martha Cotterill* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Elizabeth Robinson, beer retailer, 36, Newhall Street. [1904], [1908]

1911 Census

36, Newhall Street

[1] *Edwin Povey* (31), polisher sad iron, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Edith Ann Povey* (30), wife, married 9 years, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Edwin Povey* (6), son, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Alfred Povey* (20), brother, polisher sad iron, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Clara Latimer* (13), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Arthur Fleet was usually known as *Arthur*.

He was married to *Eunice*.

Frederick Wilkes – see also WINDSOR CASTLE.

The license was surrendered on the grant of a Publican's License to the ALBION INN, Newhall Street.
The house closed at 10pm on 9th April 1957.

WHEATSHEAF

379, (Lower) High Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Henry Edmunds, West Bromwich
James Stones (leased in 1886)
Henry Mitchell and Co. Ltd. (acquired in 1898 for £1,000)
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.
Bass Ltd. (acquired 1961)
Holden's Brewery (acquired on 25th September 1972)

LICENSEES

Aaron Baggot [1868]
Joseph Care [1881] – [1882]
Joseph Hayward [1887] – **1888**);
Thomas Reed (**1888 – 1889**);
William Jones (**1889 – 1890**);
George Dimbylow (**1890 – 1892**);
William Gregory (**1892**);
William Harris (**1892 – 1893**);
Sarah Whitehouse (**1893**);
William Harding (**1893**);
James Thomas (**1893 – 1894**);
Frederick Abraham Moore (**1894**);
Thomas Dimbylow (**1894 – 1896**);
Joseph Dixon (**1896 – 1898**);
Thomas Taylor (**1898 – 1910**);
Amos Pulley (**1910 – 1925**);
Arthur William Daniels (**1925 – 1931**);
Edward William Percy (**1931 – 1933**);
Frederick Boylestone Knowles (**1933 – 1938**);
Thomas Edmund Hawley (**1938 – 1941**);
Dennis Bratt (**1941**);
Mrs. Rose Bratt (**1941 – 1948**);
Sydney Mills (**1948 – 1953**);
John Mulligan (**1953 – 1954**);
Jeffrey Alan Davis (**1954**);
Harold Felton (**1954 – 1955**);
Alfred George Rowledge (**1955**);
Robert Sneddon (**1955 – 1957**);
Stanley Ernest Lunn (**1957 – 1958**);
Richard Charles Smith (**1958 – 1959**);
Donald Victor Jones (**1959 – 1961**);
Raymond Head (**1961 – 1965**);
Frank Hill (**1965 – 1967**);
Terence Harold Lewis (**1967 – 1968**);
Frederick William Hancox (**1968 – 1969**);
John Richard Edwards (**1969 – 1981**);
Keith Andrews (**1981**);
Keith Walker (**1981 – 1988**);



c. 1980s



1997

Steven Clarkson (1988 – 1989);
Steven Brian Poole (1989);
Keith Walker (1989 – 1992);
Peter Alfred Herbert Mills (1992 – 1994);
Frederick John Mills (1994 – 1998);
James Joseph Anthony Hudson (1998);
Ronald Grigg (1998 – 1999);
Martin Finbar O’Shaughnessy (1999 – 2004)
Jill Britton [2008]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Joseph Care was born on 8th December 1845, at The Square, West Bromwich, the son of John Care, pistol filer.

He married Sarah Brown on 27th August 1866, at Trinity Church, West Bromwich.

He was a puddler. [1866]

He married, secondly, Lois Allen Millichip, at the Wesley Chapel, West Bromwich, in 1894.

He died on 31st October 1911, leaving £834 17s 6d. He was described on his death certificate as being a master grocer.

1881 Census

379, High Street - WHEATSHEAF

- [1] *Joseph Care* (35), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Sarah Care (35), wife, born Glasgow;
- [3] Sarah J. Care (13), daughter, scholar, born New Jersey, America;
- [4] William A. Care (11), son, scholar, born Buffalow (sic), America;
- [5] Joseph H. Care (9), scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] John H. Care (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Arthur Care (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Frank Care (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] Frederick Care (1), born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 20/6/1885

“An application for the transfer of license refused WHEATSHEAF INN, Lower High Street, West Bromwich, to Thomas Skeldon the present occupant objection by police on account of the conviction of the applicant some four years ago on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences. – Bench could not grant the transfer.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 29/10/1887

“James Lloyd (26), of Chapel Street, Carters Green, was fined 10s and costs, or 21 days, for refusing to quit the licensed premises of *Joseph Heywood* (sic), of the WHEATSHEAF INN, on the 15th inst.”

1891 Census

379, High Street – Publican

- [1] *George Dimbylow* (46), time keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Louisa Dimbylow (44), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Sarah Dimbylow (22), daughter, barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [4] George H. Dimbylow (16), son, spring maker, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Isaac H. Dimbylow (14), son, turner at iron works, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Annie L. Dimbylow (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Lillie Dimbylow (9), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] Daisy D. Dimbylow (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [9] William F. Dimbylow (2), son, born West Bromwich:

Joseph Dixon = Joseph Dickson

Smethwick Weekly News 9/3/1901

“William Sheldon, of Old Meeting Street, West Bromwich, was fined 5s and costs, or seven days in default, for being drunk on the licensed premises of the WHEATSHEAF INN, Carters Green, on the 18th ult. PC Cartwright proved the case.”

1901 Census

379, High Street

- [1] *Thomas Taylor* (54), beerhouse keeper, born Bromley, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Mary Taylor* (52), wife, born Oldbury;
- [3] *Joseph Taylor* (18), son, copper plate engraver, born Staveley, Derbyshire;
- [4] *Lambert W. Taylor* (31), son, ironworks foreman, born Timsbury, Somersetshire;
- [5] *Susan Taylor* (24), daughter, born Staveley, Derbyshire;
- [6] *Gladys M. Taylor* (5), daughter, born Whittington, Derbyshire;
- [7] *Lily Taylor* (3) daughter, born Whittington, Derbyshire;
- [8] *Lambert Taylor* (8 months), son, born West Bromwich:

1911 Census

379, High Street

- [1] *Amos Pulley* (28), publican, born Longborough, Gloucestershire;
- [2] *Gertrude Pulley* (26), wife, married 6 years, assisting in the business, born Lozells, Birmingham;
- [3] *Frederick Pulley* (3), son, born Hockley, Birmingham;
- [4] *Gladys Pulley* (10 months), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Susan Hollyhead* (15), nurse girl and domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Dennis Bratt was married to *Rose*.

He died in 1941.

A full license was granted on 9th February 1950, and confirmed on 21st April 1950.

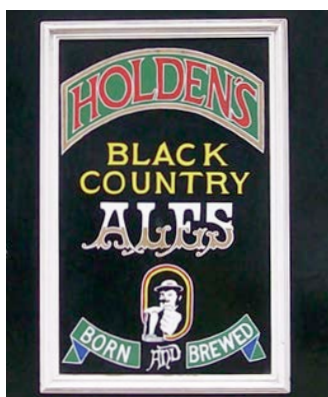
Robert Sneddon – see also THREE CROWNS, and MALT SHOVEL.

Keith Walker was married to *Josie*.

It was renovated 1995 to 1996.

Finbar O'Shaugnessy left here to run the Robin Hood at Ironbridge.
He died on 19th May 2008.

[2014]



2014

WHEEL

145, Elwell Street, (145, Great Bridge Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Cartwright, Swan Bank, Bilston (later of Wolverhampton)
Mrs. Eliza Cartwright, 60, Tettenhall Road, Wolverhampton
W. A. Price and Co., Wellington Road, Handsworth (leased)

LICENSEES

Joseph Millard [] - **1887**);
Isaac Cashmore (**1887 - 1902**);
Simeon Ralley (**1902 - 1905**);
Elizabeth Day (**1905 - 1908**);
William Turner (**1908**);
George Dimbylow (**1908 - 1909**);
Mervyn Arnold (**1909**):

NOTES

It was originally an unnamed beerhouse.

Simeon Ralley, beer retailer, 145, Great Bridge Street. [1904]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 11th March 1909.
The license renewal was refused on 15th June 1909.
The license was extinguished on 6th October 1909.

WHITEHALL TAVERN

100, (66), Whitehall Road, (Oldbury Road), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Samuel Dudley Snr., Royal Exchange, Cape Street [1870]
Mrs. Vernon, Brooklyn, Vicarage Road, Smethwick
George Vernon, 19, Halliwell Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham [1925]
Frederick Smith Ltd. [1930]
William Butler and Co. Ltd. [1959]

LICENSEES

George G Fleet [1888] - **1896**);
George Thomas Cartwright (**1896 - 1898**);
William Bayley (**1898 - 1899**);
George Jones (**1899 - 1900**);
John Jenkins (**1900 - 1901**);
John Johnson (**1901 - 1904**);
Thomas Green (**1904**);
William Holborn (**1904 - 1905**);
James Brown (**1905**);
Henry Oscar Harrison (**1905 - 1906**);
William Harrison (**1906 - 1907**);
Joseph Spooner (**1907 - 1910**);
Charles Price (**1910 - 1912**);
Mrs. Agnes Price (**1912 - 1928**);
Frederick Latimer (**1928 - 1930**);
Frederick Phipps (**1930 - 1938**);
Joseph Timmins (**1938 - 1940**);
Joseph Barker (**1940 - 1946**);
John Wallace (**1946 - 1950**);
Benjamin Joseph Timmins (**1950 - 1953**);
Frank Ernest Robert Bagshaw (**1953 - 1954**);
Edward Ernest Carter (**1954 - 1960**);

NOTES

It stood at the side of the entrance gate to Farley Park.

It had a beerhouse license.

It had a bowling club.

Wednesbury Herald 31/3/1883

“Mr. E. Hooper (District Coroner) held an inquest at the WHITEHALL INN, Whitehall Road, Greets Green, on the body of James Stackhouse (58), a miner, who was killed while at work at No. 3 and 4 Pits, Golds Green Colliery, on Saturday. A piece of coal weighing 15 or 16 cwt had fallen upon deceased and crushed his chest severely.

A witness named Edward Wilkes, who was at work with deceased, said he considered the cause of the fall of the coal was a false seam running into it.

Mr. Scott (Inspector of Mines) was present.”

1891 Census

66, Whitehall Road – WHITEHALL TAVERN

[1] *George G. Fleet* (50), beerhouse keeper, born Dudley;

[2] *Sarah G. Fleet* (45), wife, born West Bromwich:

John Johnson, beer retailer, 100, Whitehall Road. [1904]

Joseph Spooner, beer retailer, 100, Whitehall Road. [1908]

Charles Price, beer retailer, 100, Whitehall Road. [1912]

He was married to *Agnes*.

He died in 1912.

Joseph Timmins – check also EIGHT LOCKS.

Teams from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Darts League. [1951]

A full license was granted on 7th February 1952, and confirmed on 25th April 1952.

The license was allowed to lapse.

It closed on 27th February 1960 – “considerable structural repairs and improvements needed – not an economical proposition.”

It was demolished in September 1966.



c. 1966

WHITE HART

1, (3), Walsall Street / Herbert Street, (Bull Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Charley
Frederick Smith Ltd.
William Butler and Co. Ltd.
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Charley [1853] – 1886);
William Charley (1886 – 1887);
Samuel Nicklin (1887 – 1891);
Charles Abraham Woolley (1891 – 1893);
William Evans (1893 – 1894);
Arthur Broadbelt (1894 – 1895);
William Day (1895 – 1899);
Arthur Hinchley (1899 – 1900);
John James Witts (1900 – 1901);
William Jones (1901 – 1902);
John Thomas Wilson (1902);
Francis Harold Phillips (1902 – 1905);
Harry Chinn (1905 – 1906);
George Cranage Purslow (1906);
Daniel Griffiths (1906 – 1909);
Arthur James Cartwright (1909 – 1911);
Mrs. Mary Annie Cartwright (1911 – 1937);
James Gilbert (1937 – 1957);
William Leslie Gill (1957 – []
B Singh [1970]
Claudette Collins [1992]

NOTES

Bull Street [1885], [1886]
3, Walsall Street
1, Walsall Street [1891]

It had a beerhouse license.

It was reputedly haunted.

John Charley, beer retailer, Walsall Street. [1868]

‘West Bromwich Albion – The First Hundred Years’ by G. A. Willmore

“.....(1879) Conditions for the fledgling footballers were rough and ready; the changing rooms being situated in the WHITE HART INN in Walsall Street, the players had to leap over the pub wall to gain access to the pitch.”

1881 Census

3, Walsall Street – WHITE HART

- [1] *John Charley* (68), retail brewer, born Berkeley, Oxfordshire;
- [2] *Mary Charley* (66), wife, born Cheltenham;
- [3] *John Charley* (36), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Maria Charley* (26), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Betsy Bennett* (16), niece, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Charles Davis* (50), boarder, scrap dealer, born Wednesbury;
- [7] *John Adams* (50), boarder, forge labourer, born Bentley, Staffordshire;
- [8] *Charles Hubbard* (28), boarder, forge labourer, born Countesthorpe; [Leicestershire]
- [9] *William Smith* (42), boarder, farm labourer, born Worcester:

Smethwick Telephone 29/8/1885

“On Tuesday an inquest was held re the death of Charles Smith (56), clover seller, formerly residing at the WHITE HART INN, Bull Street, who was found hanging by the neck in an outhouse on the premises.....”

Samuel Nicklin, beer retailer, 1, Walsall Street. [1888]

William Charley, beer retailer, 1, Walsall Street. [1889]

1891 Census

1, Walsall Street – WHITE HART INN

- [1] *Samuel Nicklin* (32), victualler, born Cold Hatton, Shropshire;
- [2] *Sidonia Nicklin* (30), wife, born Brierley Hill;
- [3] *Nellie Nicklin* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Annie Nicklin* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lydia Harrison* (18), servant, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Samuel Nicklin* (2), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Amelia Nicklin* (15 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Charles Woolley, beer retailer, 1, Walsall Street. [1892]

See also HALL END TAVERN.

William Evans – check also BOOT AND SLIPPER.

William Day, beer retailer, 1, Walsall Street. [1896]

Check also NEW BELL.

The license was surrendered on 26th August 1897 in consideration of a grant of a beerhouse license to new premises immediately adjoining the original premises.

A victualler's license was granted on 22nd September 1898, subject to the surrender of a beerhouse license known as the KINGS ARMS, High Street.

William Jones – check also OLDE WINE SHOPPE.

1911 Census

1, Walsall Street

- [1] *Arthue James Cartwright* (42), hotel keeper, born Bilston;
- [2] *Mary Annie Cartwright* (37), wife, married 9 years, assisting in business, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Wilfred Scutt* (21), boarder, commercial traveller, born Bristol;
- [4] *Nellie Poulton* (24), general servant, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Nellie Wittall* (26), general servant, born Oldbury:

It was renamed the DRUNKEN DUCK on 4th October 2001.

[2003]

Closed [2005], [2014]



c. 1986



2003



1996

WHITE HORSE

Crookhay Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

NOTES

Express and Star 4/1/1900

“Mr. James Clark (Coroner) opened the inquest on Wednesday afternoon at the WHITE HORSE INN, Crookhay Lane, Hill Top, on the body of James Cooper, miner, following his employment on Tuesday at the Crookhay Colliery. The Coroner explained that another man named John Wilkinson was working with deceased at the time of the accident and he was at the present time being treated in the Hospital for the injuries he had received. Evidence of identification having been taken, the inquiry was adjourned until January 24th to enable the injured man Wilkinson to be present.”

- Wilkinson died on 5th January.

WHITE HORSE

30, Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Samuel Edwards [1845] – [1865]
Sarah Robinson [] – **1870**; ?
Joseph Robinson (**1870** – [] ?
Mrs. Ann Pearson [1868] – [1873]
William Pearson [1881]
William Morris [1885]
Robert Henry Jones [1889]

NOTES

Samuel Edwards, beer retailer and hay and corn dealer, Paradise Street. [1845], [1850]

1871 Census

Paradise Street – WHITE HORSE

- [1] *Ann Pearson* (35), widow, victualler, born Oldbury;
- [2] *John Pearson* (15), son, born Oldbury;
- [3] *William Pearson* (11), son, scholar, born Liverpool;
- [4] *Charlotte Pearson* (19), daughter, barmaid, born Worcester;
- [5] *Ann Bates* (22), general servant, born Coseley;
- [6] *Henry Jesson* (30), lodger, stocking maker, born Leicester;
- [7] *Sarah Jesson* (25), lodger, born Leicester:

Mrs. *Ann Pearson* died on 27th February 1881.

1881 Census

30, Paradise Street – WHITE HORSE

- [1] *William Pearson* (22), publican employing 2 servants, born Liverpool;
- [2] *Mary Pearson* (24), wife, born St. Helens;
- [3] *John H. Pearson* (3 months), son, born St. Helens;
- [4] *Martha McEvoy* (16), sister in law, born St. Helens;
- [5] *Kate Stephens* (18), barmaid, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Mary Ann Wall* (21), barmaid, born West Bromwich:

West Bromwich Weekly News 9/4/1881

“Pursuant to an Act of Parliament, of the 22nd and 23rd Vic, chapter 35, intituled ‘An Act to further amend the law of property, and to relieve trustees,’ Notice is Hereby Given, that all persons having any Claim upon or against the estate and effects of *Ann Pearson*, late of the WHITE HORSE INN, Paradise Street, West Bromwich widow.....”

William Morris was married to Jane.

WHITE HORSE

3, Phoenix Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Tipler

William Jordan, brewer, Oldbury

John Jordan, brewer, Oldbury

Islip John Close, farmer, Brocuslands Farm, Mortimer News, Renbury

William Butterfield Darling, stationer, High Street, Burton on Trent

John Baker, Swan Village, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Thomas Lee [1872] – **1874**);

Cornelius Bonell (**1874 – 1876**);

Joseph Tipler (**1876 – 1882**);

Benjamin Thomas Tipler (**1882 – 1883**);

Joseph Tipler (**1883 – 1888**);

Arthur Mason (**1888 – 1889**);

William Harford (**1889 – 1897**);

James Knight (**1897 – 1910**);

Edwin Spence Dawkins (**1910 – 1911**);

Thomas Withers (**1911 – 1913**);

William Roberts (**1913**);

NOTES

It was originally ROBIN HOOD.

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

3, Phoenix Street

[1] *Joseph Tipler* (44), public house, born Swan Village;

[2] *Martha Tipler* (44), wife, born Swan Village;

[3] *Elizabeth Martin* (16), niece, born Swan Village:

It was renamed WHITE HORSE c. 1882.

William Harford was fined £7 and costs, on 21st August 1890, for two cases of permitting betting.

1891 Census

3, Phoenix Street – WHITE HORSE INN

[1] *William Harford* (49), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Phoebe Harford* (49), wife, born Worcester:

1901 Census

3, Phoenix Street – WHITE HORSE INN

- [1] *James Knight* (36), beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Anne Knight* (35), wife, born Northampton;
- [3] *Gertrude A. Knight* (14), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *James Knight* (8), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Ernest Knight* (6), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Lilian Knight* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Beatrice Knight* (8), daughter, born West Bromwich:

James Knight, beer retailer, 3, Phoenix Street. [1904]

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 13th March 1913.

The license renewal was refused on 10th June 1913.

The license was extinguished on 31st December 1913.

WHITE HORSE

Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Newman, Greets Green, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Joseph Robinson [] - **1873**):

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

The license was given up in 1873.

WHITE LION

26, Great Bridge Street, (26, Swan Village), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Delilah Tipler

Daniel Bagnall [1900]

The City Brewery (Lichfield) Ltd. [1903]

LICENSEES

Mrs. Delilah Tipler [1868] – **1874**);

Joseph Tipler (**1874**);

Daniel Bagnall (**1874 – 1903**);

Joseph Brown (**1903 – 1909**);

Charles Withers (**1909 – 1911**);

William Porter (**1911 – 1918**);

George Fantom (**1918 – 1921**);

Joseph Statham (**1921 – 1922**);

Robert Turner (**1922 – 1924**);

NOTES

26, Swan Village [1891]

26, Great Bridge Street [1881]

It had a beerhouse license.

Mrs. *Delilah Tipler*, beer retailer, Swan Village. [1868]

1871 Census

Dudley Road, Swan Village – WHITE LION INN

[1] *Delilah Tipler* (58), widow, beer seller, born Tipton;

[2] James Tipler (24), son, gasmeter inspector, born West Bromwich;

[3] Richard Tipler (15), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] Elizabeth Martin (6), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

26, Great Bridge Street

[1] *Daniel Bagnall* (39), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;

[2] Eliza Bagnall (35), wife, born Staffordshire;

[3] Lizzie Maud Bagnall (12), daughter, scholar, born Staffordshire;

[4] Beatrice Alice Bagnall (3), daughter, scholar, born Staffordshire;

[5] Phoebe Haden (16), general servant, born Staffordshire:

Daniel Bagnall, beer retailer, 26, Swan Village. [1888], [1892]

Daniel Bagnall, beer retailer, 26, Great Bridge Street. [1889]

1891 Census

26, Swan Village – WHITE LION INN

- [1] *Daniel Bagnall* (49), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Bagnall* (45), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Lizzie M. Bagnall* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Beatrice A. Bagnall* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Maria Overton* (18), niece, barmaid, born Middlesbrough:

West Bromwich Weekly News 10/2/1900 - Advert

“.....Mr. Josiah Field is instructed by the Owner, Mr. *Daniel Bagnall*, who is retiring from business, to Sell by Auction, on Tuesday, February 13th 1900, at 7 o'clock in the Evening, at the SANDWELL HOTEL All that Freehold Retail Beerhouse known as the WHITE LION INN, situate on the main road leading from Swan Village, West Bromwich, to Dudley, and at the present time in the occupation of Mr. *Daniel Bagnall*, the owner, who has held the license for a period of 27 years. The premises are replete with every convenience, and contains Model Brewery, Bar, Capital Smoke Room, Tap Room, Large Kitchen, Cooking Kitchen, Four Large cellars, Malt Room, Club Room, three Spacious Bedrooms, Large Closet, Paved Yard, Stabling and Coach House with loft over same; Coal House, Force Pump, with a plentiful supply of Well and Tap Water; Piggeries and other Appurtenances belonging thereto, with Gateway Entrance leading out of John Street at the rear.....”

1901 Census

26, Swan Village – WHITE LION INN

- [1] *Daniel Bagnall* (59), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Eliza Bagnall* (55), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Beatrice Bagnall* (23), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Ann Whitehouse* (61), sister, widow, born West Bromwich:

Daniel Bagnall was a committee member of the West Bromwich and District LVA. [1902]

Joseph Brown, beer retailer, 26, Great Bridge Street. [1904]

1911 Census

Swan Village – WHITE LION

- [1] *William Porter* (26), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Florence Elizabeth Porter* (26), wife, married 3 years, publican, born Dudley;
- [3] *William Harold Porter* (6 months), son, born West Bromwich:

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 8th March 1923.

The license renewal was refused on 29th May 1923.

The license was extinguished on 31st May 1924.

WHITE LION

26, (13), Woodward Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Sutton

Charles J. Thompson, Hargate Lane, West Bromwich

Hubert Richard Twist, Woodward Street

Millward Bros, maltsters, Wednesbury (acquired 28th July 1907)

LICENSEES

Thomas Sutton [1861] – **1883**);

William Woodhall (**1883 – 1900**);

Rebecca Woodhall (**1900**);

Simeon Slater (**1900 – 1904**);

Richard Wootton (**1904**);

William James Jones (**1904 – 1905**);

Thomas Twist (**1905 – 1907**);

Joseph Pike (**1907 – 1908**);

Charles Frederick Greatwick (**1908**);

Ernest William Crump (**1908 – 1912**);

Phineas John Kendrick (**1912 – 1913**);

Henry Lawrence (**1913 – 1915**);

Arthur Jones (**1915 – 1924**);

NOTES

13, Woodward Street [1861]

26, Woodward Street [1881], [1901], [1911]

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census

13, Woodward Street

[1] *Thomas Sutton* (38), blacksmith and publican, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Elizabeth Sutton* (32), wife, born Wellington, Shropshire;

[3] *Mary Sutton* (13), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Hannah Sutton* (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1871 Census

Woodward Street – WHITE LION

[1] *Thomas Sutton* (49), blacksmith, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Elizabeth Sutton* (42), wife, born Hadley, Shropshire;

[3] *Mary Stephens* (24), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[4] *George Sutton Stephens* (6), grandson, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Thomas Stephens* (5 months), grandson, born West Bromwich;

[6] *Margaret Whittingham* (16), niece, born West Bromwich:

1881 Census

26, Woodward Street

- [1] *Thomas Sutton* (59), brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Elizabeth Sutton* (52), wife, born Shrewsbury;
- [3] *Mary Stevens* (33), daughter, widow, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *George Sutton* (16), grandson, carpenter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Thomas S. Stevens* (10), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ann Tittikin* (14), general servant, born Birmingham:

1891 Census

Woodward Street – WHITE LION

- [1] *William Woodhall* (61), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Rebecca Woodhall* (59), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Elizabeth Woodhall* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich:

William Woodhall – see also INKERMAN COTTAGE.

Smethwick Weekly News

“On Tuesday afternoon Mr. James Clark (coroner) held an inquest at the WHITE LION INN, Woodward Street, West Bromwich, relative to the death of Matilda Arnold (63), married woman, formerly residing at No.3 Dagger Lane, West Bromwich, who died on Monday morning.

Richard Arnold, a carpenter, said the deceased was his wife. During the night of March 27th he was awakened by a noise, and on getting up discovered his wife lying in an unconscious condition at the bottom of the stairs. She was bleeding from the head. He called in some neighbours, and immediately went for Dr. Manley. The latter attended and dressed the injuries. He and Dr. Plummer had visited his wife up to the time of her death. Deceased had complained occasionally of feeling giddy. After the accident she told witness that as she was going upstairs to bed, she went giddy and fell backwards to the bottom. She could not save herself. Witness had never known his wife fall downstairs before this occasion. There was no handrail to the stairs.

Rose Arnold stated that about 7 o'clock the evening before the accident her mother complained of giddiness, but it seemed to pass off quickly.

Dr. Herbert Manley said he was called to see the deceased between one and two o'clock on the morning of the 27th of March. He found her sitting in a chair in the sitting-room, almost in an unconscious condition. He examined her, and found her to be suffering from a severe scalp wound on the top of the head. The scalp had been stripped backwards and the bone was exposed. There was also a very deep cut on the outer side of the left eye. He and Dr. Plummer attended the deceased up to the time of her death, which occurred at 7.15 on Monday morning. Death was due to inflammation of the membrane of the brain resulting from the injuries. Witness had been Mrs. Arnold's doctor for about fifteen years, and since a serious operation she underwent some time ago, she had been subject to slight attacks of giddiness. Deceased went on well until the 10th last, when brain mischief developed.

The Coroner remarked that had the stairs been provided with a handrail, the woman might have been able to have saved herself from the fall which had resulted in her death. He considered that there should be a handrail to every flight of stairs.

The jury returned a verdict of Accidental Death.”

1901 Census

26, Woodward Street

- [1] *Simeon Slater* (41), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Annie Slater* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence G. Slater* (17), daughter, pupil teacher, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lydia List* (10), adopted daughter, born Birmingham;
- [5] *Sarah G. Ward* (68), widow, mother in law, born Bilston:

William James Jones – see also TURKS HEAD, and COACH AND HORSES.

1911 Census

26, Woodward Street – WHITE LION

[1] *Ernest W. Crump* (30), publican, born Oldbury;

[2] *Amelia Crump* (30), wife, married 5 years, born Belbroughton;

[3] *Amelia Brookes* (9), daughter of wife, school, born Oldbury:

Phineas John Kendrick – see also VICTORIA.

Henry Lawrence – see also LOVING LAMB.

Arthur Jones – see also BOOT AND SLIPPER.

The license renewal was referred to the Compensation Authority on 8th March 1923.

It was refused on 29th May 1923.

The license was extinguished on 31st May 1924.

WHITE SWAN

34, Bromford Lane / Lyttleton Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Hale

Joseph Parker, Birmingham Road, West Bromwich (later at Herbert Street, Birmingham)

Thomas Brassington, West Bromwich

Henry Swain and Co. [1896]

Showells Brewery Co. Ltd. [1924]

Ind Coope and Allsopp Ltd. [1935]

Ind Coope Ltd. [1959]

Ansells Ltd. [1960]

Pubmaster [2001]

Admiral Taverns [2008], [2012]

LICENSEES

Thomas Hale Snr. [1868] – **1882**;

Henry Harvey Fernihough (**1882 – 1888**);

Josiah Roberts (**1888 – []**)

John Wardle [1891] – **1896**;

Samuel Brooks (**1896 – 1907**);

Harry Warburton (**1907 – 1909**);

Herbert Harold Rosewall Johns (**1909 – 1910**);

David Hackett (**1910 – 1911**);

Thomas Henry Woodhall (**1911 – 1915**);

Mrs. Emma Woodhall (**1915 – 1917**);

John Evitts (**1917 – []**)

William Henry Hadley [] – **1952**;

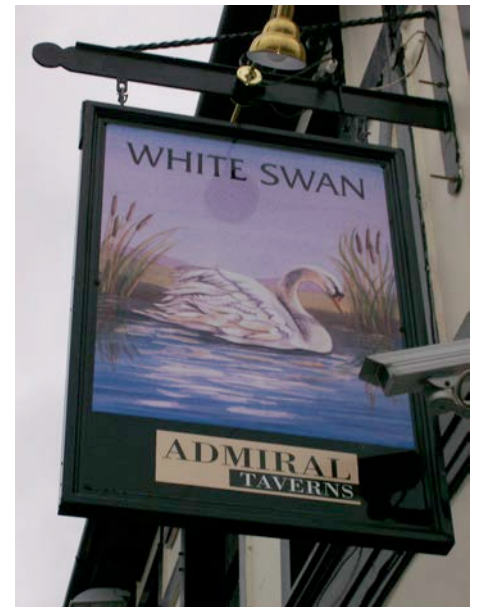
Harold Frank Bonehill (**1952 – 1954**);

Samuel Harry Downen (**1954 – 1955**);

William Henry Hadley (**1955 – []**)

Michael Scott [1992] – [1993]

Jackie Lunt [2012]



NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

SWAN [1877]



1997

Thomas Hale, beer retailer and charter master, Bromford Lane. [1868], [1870]

1871 Census

Bromford Lane – WHITE SWAN INN

- [1] *Thomas Hale* (56), charter master out of employ, born Sedgley;
- [2] *Rodah Hale* (55), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Samuel Hale* (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Mary Jane Bridge* (28), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Selenia Bridge* (21), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Servina Bridge* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Rhoda Bridge* (7), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Hale Snr., beer retailer, Bromford Lane. [1872]

1881 Census

34, Bromford Lane – public house

- [1] *Thomas Hale* (64), publican, born Sedgley;
- [2] *Rhoda Hale* (63), wife, born Sedgley;
- [3] *Mary J. Hale* (38), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Samuel Hale* (25), son, cab proprietor, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Lavinia* (?) *Hale* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Rhoda Hale* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Smethwick Telephone 5/4/1884

“On Monday [31/3] a meeting of ironworkers employed at Bromford Ironworks was held at the WHITE SWAN INN, Bromford Lane, for the purpose of considering the proposed reduction of wages.....”

- It was resolved “the proposed reduction is unjustifiable and uncalled for, and that we will do all in our power to resist it, considering that any further reduction in wages will not tend to increase the trade.”

West Bromwich Weekly News 16/4/1887

“On Monday morning a well-attended meeting of ironworkers belonging to the West Bromwich, Oldbury and Smethwick district, was held at the WHITE SWAN INN, Bromford Lane, for the purpose of giving the men an opportunity of conferring with their representatives on the various subjects to be discussed at the forthcoming conference to be held at Manchester on the 25th inst.

Mr. W. Tipper presided, and Mr. T. Piggot, after explaining the business to be brought before the conference, remarked that his impression was that if ever there was a time in the iron trade when the men should be organised it was the present.....”

Harvey Fernihough, beer retailer, 34, Bromford Lane. [1888], [1889]

1891 Census

34, Bromford Lane – WHITE SWAN

- [1] *John Wardle* (42), publican's manager, born Wednesbury;
- [2] *Mary Wardle* (40), wife, born Darlaston;
- [3] *John H. Wardle* (17), son, stoker in iron works, born Wednesbury;
- [4] *William T. Wardle* (13), son, labourer tile works, born Wednesbury;
- [5] *Albert J. Wardle* (8), son, scholar, born Wednesbury;
- [6] *Annie Wardle* (3), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Leah Lappage* (63), mother in law, born Darlaston:

John Wardle, beer retailer, 34, Bromford Lane. [1892], [1896]

Smethwick Telephone 7/4/1894 - Advert

“Sell by auction all that freehold beerhouse and premises situate in Bromford Lane, West Bromwich, known as the WHITE SWAN INN, now in the occupation of Mr. *John Wardle* at the annual rent of £45.”

Samuel Brooks, beer retailer, 34, Bromford Lane. [1900], [1904]

Harry Warburton, beer retailer, 34, Bromford Lane. [1908]

David Hackett was fined £1 and £2 15s 6d costs, on 15th May 1911, for selling beer and stout during prohibited hours.

Thomas Henry Woodhall, beer retailer, 34, Bromford Lane. [1912]

He was married to *Emma*.

He died in 1915.

A full license was granted on 11th March 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

[2012]

It became a restaurant. [2014]



2008



2012

WHITE SWAN

Heath Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Brunton, Spon Lane, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Robert Barlow [] - **1872**);
Thomas Grigg (**1872 - 1879**);
William Holding (**1879 - 1884**);
Arthur Mason (**1884 - 1887**)

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Check High Street.

WHITE SWAN

129, High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Thomas Lowe, Spon Lane, West Bromwich
Mrs. Arkinstall, West Bromwich
John Brinton, High Street (later Spon Lane), West Bromwich

LICENSEES

Charles Davis [1870]
Isaac Harrison [] - **1878**);
Sarah Harrison (**1878** - []
William Holding [1881]
Thomas Birks (**1887 - 1888**);
James Matthews (**1888 - 1889**);
Sarah Harrison (**1889**);
David Gascoigne (**1889** - []
Sarah Harrison [1891] - **1897**);
John William Horton (**1897 - 1900**);
John Willie Oakley (**1900**);
Alfred Farmer (**1900 - 1902**);
Esther Harris (**1902 - 1903**);

NOTES

SWAN [1870]
WHITE SWAN [1888]

It had a beerhouse license.

Isaac Harrison was married to *Sarah*.
He died in 1878.

1881 Census

129, High Street
[1] *William Holding* (44), builder and publican, born West Bromwich;
[2] *Charlotte Hoding* (38), wife, born Handsworth;
[3] *Louisa Holding* (17), daughter, barmaid, born Birmingham;
[4] *William F. Holding* (15), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[5] *Henry Holding* (13), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[6] *Elliott J. Holding* (6), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
[7] *Charlotte E. Holding* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich;
[8] *Ada Slade* (17), general servant, born Wiltshire:

1891 Census

129, High Street – WHITE SWAN

- [1] *Sarah Harrison* (48), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Clifton Campville, Staffordshire;
- [2] *Mary Harrison* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Mary J. Cresswell* (16), general servant, born Princes End:

1901 Census

129, High Street

- [1] *Barbara Farmer* (72), widow, head, born Granborough, Warwickshire;
- [2] *Thomas Farmer* (28), son, glass polisher, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Annie Farmer* (28), son's wife, born Solihull;
- [4] *Alfred Farmer* (24), son, unmarried, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Millicent Birch* (22), visitor, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Maud Farmer* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

The license was surrendered on 6th November 1903 as part of the grant of a victualler's license to the HAWTHORN HOTEL, Birmingham Road.

WHITE SWAN

84, Pikehelve Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

T. Mansell, West Bromwich
Mary Mansell, 84, Golds Green, West Bromwich
Lucy Marsden
Arthur Marsden
William Heath and John Rogers, Britannia beerhouse, West Bromwich
William Maybury
George Arnold and Co. Ltd.

LICENSEES

Charles Marsden [] - **1881**);
George Bagnall (**1881 - 1883**);
Mrs. Ann Bagnall (**1883 - 1884**);
John Maldrige (**1884 - 1888**);
Charles Marsden (**1888 - 1904**);
Mrs. Lucy Marsden (**1904 - 1912**);
Charles John Bagnall (**1912**);
Roselia Bagnall (**1912 - 1913**);
Arthur Marsden (**1913 - 1914**);
William Maybury (**1914 - 1915**);
John Rogers (**1915 - 1922**);
John Thomas Jones (**1922 - 1923**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1881 Census

84, Pike Helve

- [1] *Charles Marsden* (29), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Lucy Marsden* (40), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Sarah Bagnall* (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Lucy Bagnall* (18), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John Bagnall* (16), son, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Thomas Bagnall* (14), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Rosalie Bagnall* (12), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Charles Bagnall* (10), son, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Alice S. Marsden* (7 months), daughter, born West Bromwich:

George Bagnall was married to *Ann*.
He died in 1883.

1891 Census

84, Pikehelve Street – SWAN INN

[1] *Charles Marsden* (40), publican, born Brownhills;

[2] *Lucy Marsden* (50), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Thomas Bagnall* (24), stepson, general labourer, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Charles Bagnall* (26), stepson, general labourer, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Alice Marsden* (10), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[6] *A. Marsden* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[7] *Rose Hampson* (21), stepdaughter, born West Bromwich:

Charles Marsden, beer retailer, 84, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green. [1904]

Charles Marsden was married to *Lucy*.

It was referred to the Compensation Authority on 8th March 1923.

The license renewal was refused on 29th May 1923.

The license was extinguished on 30th August 1923.

WHITE SWAN

334, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Archibald S. Bennett, 25, Waterloo Street, Birmingham
Manchester Brewery Co. Ltd. [1900]
Samuel Allsopp and Co. Ltd. [1908]
John Francis Myatt, brewer, Wolverhampton [1913]
Frank Myatt Ltd. [1921]
Ansell's Ltd.

LICENSEES

John Whiley Wright [1841] – [1873]
Robert Ward [1888] – **1890**;
William Bladon (**1890**);
Mrs. Margaret Bladon (**1890 – 1894**);
Adolphus Thomas Ward (**1894 – 1899**);
Thomas Edwin Beddard (**1899 – 1902**);
Edwin Turton (**1902 – 1904**);
William Henry James (**1904**);
Harry Haynes (**1904 – 1905**);
Charles Beasley (**1905 – 1910**);
Annie Ford (**1910 – 1911**);
Robert Charles Watkins (**1911 – 1913**);
Thomas John White (**1913**);
James Stokes (**1913 – 1915**);
Henry John Birkin (**1915**);
George Frederick Allibone (**1915 – 1918**);
George Taft (**1918 – 1920**);
Thomas Matthews (**1920 – 1921**);
Arthur Albert Wheatcroft (**1921 – 1923**);
Henry Lawrence (**1923**);
Sarah Butler (**1923 – 1924**);
Samuel Brown (**1924**);
George Main Wilson (**1924 – 1931**);
Harry Green (**1931**);
Sarah Elizabeth Grigg (**1931 – 1936**);
Edward Lloyd (**1936 – 1938**);
Philip George Mackie (**1938 – 1939**);
Samuel Smith (**1939 – 1941**);
Beatrice Victoria Goodband (**1941 – 1953**);
John William Thomas 'Jack' Griffiths (**1953** – [1960's])

NOTES

SWAN [1845], [1849], [1860], [1861], [1864], [1865], [1868], [1870], [1872], 1873], [1911]

It was known locally as the "Manchester House".

'Free and easy' nights were held here.

1841 Census

Spon Lane

- [1] *John Wright Jnr.* (30), victualler, born Staffordshire;
- [2] Sarah Wright (20), born Staffordshire;
- [3] Mary Wright (2), born Staffordshire;
- [4] Hannah Whitehouse (15) fs, born Staffordshire:

1851 Census

Spon Lane

- [1] *John Whiley Wright* (39), victualler, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Sarah Wright (33), wife, born Smithwick [Smethwick];
- [3] Mary Ann Wright (11), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] William Wright (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Henry Fector (32), servant, born Stourport;
- [6] Sarah Guttridge (20), house servant, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Mary Ann Stamps (16), house servant, born West Bromwich:

1861 Census

Spon Lane - WHITE SWAN INN

- [1] *John Whiley Wright* (49), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Sarah Wright (42), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Mary Ann Wright (20), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] William Wright (18), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Masey Harris (18), servant of all work, born Oldbury:

John Whiley Wright was also a corn miller of Bentley, Walsall.

Wednesbury Herald 29/5/1880

"Mr. E. Hooper (District Coroner), held an inquest at the Manchester House, Spon Lane, on Monday, on the body of Percy Tuckwell (4).

Deceased went out of the house to play on Sunday last, and his body was shortly afterwards found in a pool intended to feed a boiler at the Stour Valley Nut and Bolt Works. The father of the deceased said he had complained of the unsafe condition of the pool.

Mr. Scattergood, manager of the works, said the pool was undergoing alterations to make the water pure, and, he had ordered it to be fenced.

The Coroner said it was a pity a life had been lost owing to the unprotected state of the pool, and he desired an undertaking that it would be immediately made safe. Mr. Scattergood promised that the Coroner's intimation should receive immediate attention.

A verdict of Accidental death was returned."

1891 Census

334, Spon Lane

- [1] William Taylor (45), brewer, born Benningholme, Yorkshire;
- [2] Margaret Taylor (35), wife, assistant barmaid, born Wrexham;
- [3] John Taylor (15), son, scholar, born Birkenhead;
- [4] Elsie Taylor (3), daughter, born Manchester;
- [5] Olive Taylor (1), daughter, born Manchester;
- [6] Margaret Bladon (63), mother, widow, licensed victualler, born Grantham, Lincolnshire;
- [7] Jane Wright (16), general servant, born Rowley;
- [8] Martha Round (16), general servant, born Dornton, Lancashire:

Thomas Beddard was born in 1857.

He died in 1936.

William Henry James was fined 5s and costs, on 26th May 1904, for permitting drunkenness.

1911 Census

Spon Lane – WHITE SWAN INN

- [1] Annie Ford (63), widow, publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] Annie Whitley (32), daughter, married, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Walter Whitley (20), son in law, glass worker, born Stourport;
- [4] May Reynolds (10), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Annie Reynolds (8), daughter, school, born West Bromwich;
- [6] Edward Reynolds (6), son, school, born West Bromwich;
- [7] Lily Hancox (22), servant, born West Bromwich:

Robert Charles Watkins – check also KINGS ARMS.

Harry Green – see also HORSESHOE, and RAILWAY.

Edward Lloyd – see also GOLDEN CROSS.

John 'Jack' Griffiths worked at the Birmingham Railway Carriage and Wagon Works, in Smethwick, for 21 years after leaving school.

He was married to Kitty in 1941.

See also ROYAL OAK.

A team from here took part in the Spon Lane Domino League. [1946], [1951], [1967], [1968]

Black Country Bugle 31/8/2000

'When A Spon Lane Publican.....'

".....It [WHITE SWAN] was one of the top entertainment pubs in the area – until its demolition, along with much of old Spon Lane, around 35 years ago....."

Closed

It was demolished in the 1960's.

WHITE SWAN

17, Vernon Street, Oldbury Road, Greet's Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Stephen Martin
Ann Martin
James Riley Martin
Joseph Forrest, Acorn Brewery, Birmingham
Darby's Brewery Ltd.

LICENSEES

Stephen Martin [] - **1874**);
Mrs. Ann Martin (**1874 - 1899**);
John Astley [1887] manager?
James Martin Riley (**1899 - 1902**);
Samuel Woodward (**1902 - 1903**);
Edwin Spencer Dawkins (**1903 - 1904**);
Edgar Joseph Woodhall (**1904 - 1906**);
Samuel Woodward (**1906 - 1909**);
George Roberts (**1909 - 1913**);
Joseph Henry Nock (**1913 - 1914**);
George Hall (**1914 - 1915**);
Mrs. Esther Hall (**1915 - 1922**);
William 'Cag' Roberts (**1922 - 1950**);
John Edward Hall (**1950 - 1954**);
Thomas Alfred Broomhall (**1954 - 1955**);
Michael Conway (**1955 - 1956**);
John Harry Webb (**1956 - 1957**);
Frank Leslie Froude (**1957**);
Albert James Dunkley (**1957 - 1959**);
Sidney Joseph Ramsbottom (**1959 - 1962**):

NOTES

It was known locally as "Cag's" or "Cagg Robert's".

It had a beerhouse license.

Stephen Martin was married to *Ann*.

1881 Census

17, Vernon Street

- [1] *Ann Martin* (53), widow, beerhouse keeper, born West Bromwich;
- [2] James Martin (23), son, boilermaker unemployed, born West Bromwich;
- [3] Stephen Martin (20), son, boilermaker unemployed, born West Bromwich;
- [4] William H. Martin (18), boot maker's apprentice, born West Bromwich;
- [5] Sarah A. Holland (18), niece, domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. *Ann Martin*, beer retailer, 17, Vernon Street, Oldbury Road. [1888], [1892], [1896]

1891 Census

17, Vernon Street

- [1] *Ann Martin* (63), widow, beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *James A. Martin* (34), son, boilermaker, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *William H. Martin* (28), son, boilermaker, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *James G. Martin* (13), grandson, errand boy, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Turner* (19), general servant, born Lower Gornal:

James Martin Riley, beer retailer, 17, Vernon Street, Oldbury Road. [1900]

Edgar Woodhall, beer retailer, 17, Vernon Street, Oldbury Road. [1904]

Samuel Woodward = Samuel Wordell

Samuel Wordell, beer retailer, 17, Vernon Street, Oldbury Road. [1908]

Joseph Henry Nock – see also FOUNTAIN, Smethwick.

George Roberts, beer retailer, 17, Vernon Street. [1912]

George Hall was married to *Esther*.
He died in 1915.

William Roberts was married to *Christiana*.
He was known as 'Cag'.

It had a marching jazz band based here. [1930's]

A team from here took part in the Greets Green Domino League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the Darby's Domino League. [1951]

Thomas Alfred Broomhall – see also NEW HOP POLE.

Michael Conway – see also BOILERMAKERS ARMS.

Albert James Dunkley – see also ALBION, Tipton.

A full license was granted on 3rd March 1960, and confirmed on 12th April 1960.

It closed in 1962.

Demolished.

It was replaced by the JOLLY SAILOR.

WHITE SWAN

Whitehall Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

John Astley [1887]

NOTES

West Bromwich Weekly News 10/9/1887

“John Astley, landlord of the WHITE SWAN INN, Whitehall Road, Greets Green, was charged with selling liquors during prohibited hours on Sunday, the 14th inst.

Police-sergeant Bakewell stated that about 10.25pm on the day in question, he was near defendant’s house, when he saw three men standing opposite the SWAN INN, and immediately afterwards the door of defendant’s house was opened by someone inside, who handed out a stone bottle containing about four quarts of ale. A man named Haycock went to the door and put the bottle under his coat and walked away with it. Witness followed and overtook him about sixty yards away, and found the bottle concealed under his coat.

Defendant was fined £5 and costs.

Mr. H. Jackson defended.”

WHY NOT

16-17, New Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Atkinson's Ltd. [1921]

LICENSEES

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

WIGMORE TAVERN

Wigmore Lane, Wigmore, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

LICENSEES

Isaac Bunn [] - **1869**);
Henry Bunn (**1869** - [1871]
Elizabeth Bunn [] - **1871**);
Thomas Griffiths (**1871** - [1873]

NOTES

1871 Census

Wigmore – WIGMORE TAVERN

[1] *Henry Bunn* (53), widower, holloware moulder, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Elizabeth Bunn* (22), daughter, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Sarah Bunn* (20), daughter, milliner and dressmaker, born West Bromwich;

[4] *Mary Ann Bunn* (17), daughter, born West Bromwich:

WINDMILL

18, Tantany Lane, (Temple Street), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Jabez Wilkes

Mrs. Wilkes, Bromford Lane, West Bromwich

Henry Jerrams, Oldbury

City Brewery Co. Ltd., Birmingham

Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1901]

Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1914]

LICENSEES

William Wilkes [] - **1872**);

Jabez Wilkes (**1872 - 1876**);

Mrs. Jane Wilkes (**1876 - 1879**);

William Kiteley (**1879 - 1880**);

William Beasley (**1880 - 1881**);

Rosannah Williams (**1881 - 1882**);

Sarah Jane Griffiths (**1882 - 1884**);

Samuel Cowles (**1884 - 1888**);

Alfred Stocksley (**1888 - 1889**);

John Webb (**1889 - 1892**);

Isaiah Morton (**1892 - 1895**);

Mrs. Emma Morton (**1895 - 1897**);

Benjamin Green (**1897 - 1911**);

Frederick Green (**1911 - 1925**);

Victor Haynes (**1925 - 1927**);

Howard Williams (**1927 - 1928**);

Walter Kilminster (**1928 - 1941**);

Jeremiah Whitehouse (**1941 - 1943**);

William John Edwin Palmer (**1943 - 1952**);

John Colin Sedgley (**1952 - 1953**);

Alexander Gilbert (**1953 - 1955**);

John Ernest Beasmore (**1955**);

Thomas Edward Delahay (**1955 - 1956**);

Charles George William Townsend (**1956 - 1960**);

James William Norris (**1960 - []**)

NOTES

It was originally known as the DURHAM COW. [1872]

It had a beerhouse license.

Jabez Wilkes was married to *Jane*.
He died in 1876.

1881 Census

18, Tantany Lane

- [1] *Rosannah Williams* (63), widow, beerhouse keeper, born Tipton;
- [2] *William Griffiths* (40), son in law, coal miner, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Rosannah Griffiths* (39), daughter, born Tipton;
- [4] *Sarah Griffiths* (21), granddaughter, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *John James Griffiths* (17), grandson, labourer coal pit, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Rosannah Griffiths* (14), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *William H. Griffiths* (11), grandson, scholar, born Tipton;
- [8] *Noah Griffiths* (9), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [9] *Ellen Griffiths* (6), granddaughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [10] *Reece Griffiths* (4), grandson, scholar, born West Bromwich:

Thomas Webb was fined 20s and costs, on 9th April 1891, for permitting drunkenness.

Isaiah Morton was married to *Emma*.
He died in 1895.

1901 Census

18, Tantany Lane

- [1] *Benjamin Green* (44), bricklayer, born Doncaster;
- [2] *Harriet Green* (42), wife, born Walsall;
- [3] *Benjamin Green* (17), son, born Great Bridge;
- [4] *Louisa Green* (15), daughter, born Walsall;
- [5] *Joseph Norris* (23), boarder, whitesmith, born New Zealand;
- [6] *Phoebe Norris* (17), general servant, born Preston, Lancashire:

Benjamin Green, beer retailer, 18, Tantany Lane. [1904]

1911 Census

18, Tantany Lane

- [1] *Frederick Green* (32), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *E. E. Green* (32), wife, married 8 years, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *E. A. Green* (20), born Walsall:

It had a bowling green. [1937]

Jeremiah Whitehouse – see also OAK TAVERN.

A full license was granted on 11th February 1954, and confirmed on 14th April 1954.

Charles George William Townsend – see also OLD CHAPEL and QUEENS HEAD, both in Smethwick.

Closed
Demolished

WINDSOR CASTLE

140, Sams Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Lambert
Henry Jerrams, maltster, Oldbury
Holder's Brewery Ltd. [1903]
Mitchells and Butlers Ltd. [1919]
Enterprise Inns

LICENSEES

Joseph Lambert [1853] – **1884**;
Samuel Cowles (**1884 – 1886**);
John Guest (**1886 – 1888**);
John Baugh (**1888 – 1889**);
Alfred Stockley (**1889**);
Albert Jones Dunkley (**1889 – 1891**);
Walter Elwell (**1891 – 1893**);
Sarah Elizabeth Elwell (**1893**);
Alfred Kinsell (**1893 – 1903**);
Mrs. Clara King (**1903 – 1904**);
John Bourton (**1904**);
James Chambers Taylor (**1904 – 1905**);
Henry Holden (**1905 – 1906**);
Richard Owen Jones (**1906**);
Henry Rollings (**1906** – [1907])
Robert Henry Chapple (**1908 – 1913**);
Mrs. Clara Chapple (**1913 – 1934**);
John Nock (**1934 – 1949**);
Leslie Walter Evans (**1949 – 1955**);
Frederick Wilkes (**1955** – [])
Leonard Dee [1965]
Alan Malek [1992]
Gillian Malek [1993]
Patricia Joan Hughes [] – **2001**);
Ram Lal Chander [2008] – [2012]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

1861 Census

Sams Lane
[1] *Joseph Lambert* (43), retail brewer, born West Bromwich;
[2] Sarah Lambert (39), wife, born Birmingham:

1871 Census

Sams Lane – north side

- [1] *Joseph Lambert* (54), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Lambert* (49), wife, born Birmingham:

1881 Census

140, Sams Lane

- [1] *Joseph Lambert* (64), beer retailer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sarah Lambert* (59), born Birmingham:

John Guest, beer retailer, 140, Sams Lane. [1888]

John Baugh was fined 10s and costs, on 3rd September 1888, for being open during prohibited hours.

1891 Census

140, Sams ~Lasne

- [1] *Albert J. Dunkley* (27), innkeeper, born Earls Barton, Northamptonshire;
- [2] *Bertha Dunkley* (20), wife, born Tipton;
- [3] *Mary Dunkley* (1), daughter, born Tipton;
- [4] *James Cassidy* (38), lodger, draper, born Scotland:

Walter Elwell, beer retailer, 140, Sams Lane. [1892]

Alfred Kinsell, beer retailer, 140, Sams Lane. [1896], [1900]

He was fined £1 and costs, on 7th October 1897, for two cases of suffering gaming.

1901 Census

140, Sams Lane

- [1] *Alfred Kinsell* (37), beerhouse keeper, born Pensnett;
- [2] *Jane Kinsell* (34), wife, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Nellie Kinsell* (9), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Alfred Kinsell* (7), son, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Elsie Kinsell* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Ernest Kinsell* (3), son, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *Gladige Kinsell* (1), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Mrs. Clara King, beer retailer, 140, Sams Lane. [1904]

Henry Rollings was fined £1 and £3 13s 6d costs, on 3rd January 1907, for supplying drink to a drunken person.

Robert Henry Chapple, beer retailer, 140, Sams Lane. [1908], [1912]

He was married to *Clara*.

1911 Census

WINDSOR CASTLE

- [1] *Robert Henry Chapple* (35), license holder, beerhouse, born Chulmleigh, Devonshire;
- [2] *Clara Chapple* (38), wife, married 11 years, assisting in the business, born Gloucester;
- [3] *Frederick Joseph Hawkins* (11), nephew, born Gloucester;
- [4] *Wallace Etheridge* (26), visitor, general labourer, born Cothridge, Worcestershire;
- [5] *Jane Etheridge* (33), visitor, housewife, born Oldbury;
- [6] *Florence Clarissa Etheridge* (9 months), visitor, born West Bromwich:

Robert Henry Chapple died in 1913.

A full license was granted on 12th February 1948, and confirmed on 21st April 1948.

It closed on 4th October 2001.

[2003]

It reopened as a restaurant, bar and banqueting suite. [2008]

Express and Star 15/8/2012

“Lawyers are trying to claw back money made through functions at a Black Country banqueting suite in the middle of a 10-year planning wrangle.

The move has been launched under Proceeds of Crime legislation against the two men behind the controversial project. The brothers also each face being fined up to £20,000.

Lal and Santokh Chander, aged 51 and 47, have already each been fined £5,000.

They have now been given two months to hand over details of money made at the Windsor Castle in Sams Lane, West Bromwich.

They appeared at Wolverhampton Crown Court for sentence on Monday after breaching an enforcement notice ordering the demolition of the first floor of an extension.

Mark Jackson, prosecuting for Sandwell Council, said: “This is the second time they have been convicted of this offence but the building is still in situ.”

The matter was adjourned to allow confiscation proceedings to be launched. The maximum fine for breaking an enforcement order is £20,000.

The men were given permission in 2002 to install a single storey extension but a two-storey structure was built, with the first floor used as a banqueting suite.

A retrospective planning application failed. Lal Chander, from Walter Street, West Bromwich, and his brother, of Castle Street, were handed an enforcement notice and ordered to demolish the first floor.

The pair admitted failing to comply and were fined. Another hearing will take place on December 20.”

[2014]



2008



2014

WOODLANDS

19, Church Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Charles Hodgetts, Hill Top, West Bromwich
Joseph Hadcroft, Winkle Street, West Bromwich
Frederick Smith Ltd.

LICENSEES

Ann Hodgetts [] - **1872**);
Charles Hodgetts (**1872 - 1875**);
Emma Agnes Ankrett (**1875 - 1876**);
John Varlow (**1876 - 1881**);
John Fereday (**1881 - 1882**);
George Harris (**1882 - 1883**);
John Garrington (**1883 - 1890**);
Thomas Sparrow (**1890**);
James Poxon (**1890 - 1891**);
John Harris Jr. (**1891 - 1892**);
Sarah Harris (**1892 - 1894**);
William Henry Snead (**1894 - 1898**);
James Jones (**1898 - 1903**);

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

Charles Hodgetts was fined 40s and 10s 6d costs, on 21st April 1873, for being open at unlawful hours (Sunday 6th April).

1881 Census

Church Lane – WOODMAN INN

- [1] *John Fereday* (53), publican, blacksmith in iron works, born Stafford;
- [2] *Mary Ann Fereday* (53), wife, born Worcester;
- [3] *Clara Fereday* (14), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *John M. Fereday* (11), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Louisa Fereday* (7), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *William Williamson* (55), boarder, brewer, born Leicester;
- [7] *Esther Williamson* (50), boarder, born Gloucester;

John Garrington was fined 40s and costs, on 18th February 1888, for opening during prohibited hours.

1891 Census

19, Church Lane – WOODMAN INN

[1] *John Harris* (38), moulder, born West Bromwich;

[2] *Sarah Harris* (42), wife, born West Bromwich;

[3] *Amy Harris* (8), daughter, scholar, born Wednesbury;

[4] *Hannah Harriet Harris* (3), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich;

[5] *Ethel Harris* (2), daughter, born West Bromwich:

Sarah Harris was fined 20s and costs, on 19th December 1893, for permitting drunkenness.

The license was surrendered as from 6th November 1903 upon the grant of a full license to the HAWTHORN HOTEL, Birmingham Road.

YEW TREE

2, Albion Road / Brandon Way, (Ireland Green), WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

James Downing (land acquired in 1850 for £63 12s)
Julia Hanson and Son Ltd.
Marstons plc

LICENSEES

Samuel Downing **(1850 – 1873)**;
James Downing Snr. **(1873 – 1901)**;
James Downing Jnr. **(1901 – 1941)**
Frank Groom [post 1945]
John Paskin [1971]
Francis Thomas Cox [1974]
Larry Liddle [1985]
Noel Bayliss [1992] – [1993]
Neil Horton [2012]

NOTES

It had a beerhouse license.

A famous racehorse of the 1950's, called Golden Fleece, was buried under the pub's car park, which was originally the bowling green.

Samuel Downing, beer retailer, Albion Road. [1861], [1868], [1870], [1872]

James Downing was the son of *Samuel*.

He was described as a beer retailer of Albion Road. [1888], [1892], [1896], [1900]

He was also a brewer.

He issued tokens from here.

1881 Census

2, Albion Road – ASH (sic) TREE INN

- [1] *James Downing* (43), publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Sushanna Downing* (40), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Mary E. Downing* (15), daughter, born PA, America;
- [4] *Samuel Downing* (8), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [5] *Sarah Downing* (12), daughter, born PA, America;
- [6] *Alice Downing* (5), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *James Downing* (2), son, born West Bromwich:



Token

1891 Census

2, Albion Road

- [1] *James Downing* (53), brewer and publican, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Susannah Downing* (58), wife, born Bilston;
- [3] *Mary Downing* (25), daughter, born America, naturalized British subject;
- [4] *Sarah Downing* (20), daughter, born America, naturalized British subject;
- [5] *Samuel Downing* (15), son, clerk, born West Bromwich;
- [6] *Alice Downing* (15), daughter, born West Bromwich;
- [7] *James Downing* (12), son, scholar, born West Bromwich;
- [8] *Florence Downing* (5), daughter, scholar, born West Bromwich:

1901 Census

Albion Road – YEW TREE INN

- [1] *James Downing* (22), unmarried, publican and brewer, born West Bromwich;
- [2] *Susannah Downing* (18), sister, born West Bromwich;
- [3] *Florence Downing* (15), sister, born West Bromwich;
- [4] *Jane Hunt* (22), domestic servant, born West Bromwich:

James Downing, beer retailer, Albion Street. [1904], [1908], [1912]

Frank Groom was born in 1914.

He married, firstly, *Elizabeth Emily Lloyd* in 1938.

He married, secondly, *Winifred Lilian Mayne*.

A team from here took part in the Lyng Darts League. [1946]

A team from here took part in the West Bromwich Bowling League, Division A. [1948]

Closed on 30th June 1963.

Demolished

It was rebuilt on a nearby site in 1971.

[2008]

It was reopened as the POACHERS POCKET.

It was reopened as the YEW TREE.

[2014]



c. 1986



2014

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Bell Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Henry Dawes, Claremont Villa, Cheltenham

LICENSEES

Samuel Frier [] - **1874**);
William Brookes (**1874** - []

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Stephen Blincow

LICENSEES

Stephen Blincow []

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Hall Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Richard Parker

LICENSEES

Richard Parker [] - **1874**):

NOTES

The license was abandoned in 1874.

Beerhouse - Unnamed

High Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Mrs. Maria Smith, Aldridge

LICENSEES

Warwick Woodhall [] - **1877**);
Samuel Warwick Woodhall (**1877 - 1880**);
Warwick Woodhall (**1880 - 1888**);
Robert Dooley (**1888 - []**)

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Newhall Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Downing, Smethwick

LICENSEES

Samuel Dolphin [] - **1873**);
J T Whiptock (**1873** - []

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Oldbury Lane, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Samuel Dudley

LICENSEES

Samuel Dudley Jnr. [] - **1875**);
George Fleet (**1875** - []

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Oldbury Road, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Lester

LICENSEES

William Lester [] - **1882**);

Owen Reece (**1882** - []

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Phoenix Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Messrs. Robinson Brothers, Coventry

LICENSEES

Edward Rowley [] - **1875**):

NOTES

The license was abandoned in 1875.

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Witton's Street, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Benjamin Fones, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

John Gower [] - **1875**);
Richard Quill (**1875** - []

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Beckett, Greets Green, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

William Bell [] - **1885**);
Daniel Butler (**1885 - 1886**);
Enos Perrins (**1886 - []**)

NOTES

Check EAGLE TAVERN.

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

John Davis, Water Orton, Warwickshire

LICENSEES

William Bunn [] - **1886**);
William Philpot (**1886 - 1888**);
John Jones (**1888 - []**)

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Joseph Baggott

LICENSEES

Joseph Baggott [] - **1877**);
Charles Baggott (**1877 - 1884**);
William Cooper (**1884 - []**)

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

Jane Hayes

LICENSEES

Sarah Simmonds [] - **1874**);
Jane Hayes (**1874** - []

NOTES

Check LEWISHAM ARMS.

Beerhouse - Unnamed

Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

OWNERS

William Dudley, Phoenix Street, West Bromwich

LICENSEES

William Hartshorne [] - **1875**);
Joseph Slim (**1875** - []

LIST OF WEST BROMWICH PUBS

ACORN 107, New Street, WEST BROMWICH
ALBION TAVERN 108, Bull Lane, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
ALBION HOTEL 1-5, New Street North / Reform Street, WEST BROMWICH
ALBION TAVERN 55-57, (55), (53), Newhall Street, (Lyng Street), WEST BROMWICH
ALBION 138, (122), Oldbury Road, (Oldbury Lane), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
ALBION 30, Paradise Street, (High Street), WEST BROMWICH
ANCHOR Great Bridge Street, WEST BROMWICH
ANCHOR 303, (13), High Street, WEST BROMWICH
ANCHOR 160, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
ARCHERS Thorneycroft Way, Yew Tree Estate, WEST BROMWICH
ASBURY TAVERN Newton Road, Grove Vale, WEST BROMWICH
BARREL 2, Cross Street / Smith Street, Lyng, WEST BROMWICH
BARREL WINE VAULTS 187, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
BARREL Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BEAR AND RAGGED STAFF Dagger Lane, (So's Hole), WEST BROMWICH
BEEHIVE 112, (48), (44), Brickhouse Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
BEEHIVE 246, Great Bridge Street (Swan Road), / Charles Street, WEST BROMWICH
BILLIARD HALL 5, St. Michael's Ringway, WEST BROMWICH
BIRD IN HAND 9, (19), Phoenix Street, Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
BIRD IN HAND 68, Queen Street / Castle Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
BLACK BOY 45, Lyndon Street, (All Saints Street), (9, Lyndon), (Lyne), (Charlemont), WEST BROMWICH
BLACK BOY Tenscore Street, WEST BROMWICH
BLACK COCK 79, Guns Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BLACK HORSE 248, (296), (294+296), Great Bridge Street, (Swan Road), WEST BROMWICH
BLACK PONY 49, Reform Street, WEST BROMWICH
BOAT 5, Canalside, (5, Old Row), Golds Hill, (Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH
BOAT 164, (36), Greets Green Road, (Oldbury Road), WEST BROMWICH
BOAT Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BOILERMAKERS ARMS 25, (23), (22), Ryder Street, (Great Bridge Street) / William Street, WEST BROMWICH
BOOT AND SLIPPER 114, (52), Sandwell Road, WEST BROMWICH
BOX IRON 132, Hill Top, (132, High Street, Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH
BRADFORD ARMS Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
BREWERS ARMS 294, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BRICKLAYERS ARMS Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BRICKMAKERS ARMS WEST BROMWICH
BRIDGE 305, (5), Bromford Lane, (Bromford Bridge), WEST BROMWICH
BRIDGE 63, (63 and 65), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BRITANNIA Church Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BRITANNIA 119, Dial Lane, (Brickhouse Lane), (Golds Green), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
BRITANNIA 54, Parliament Street, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BRITANNIA 80, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green, (Golds Hill), WEST BROMWICH
BRITANNIA 317, (157), Whitehall Road, (Dunkirk Road), (Oldbury Road), (Oldbury Lane), Newtown, WEST BROMWICH
BRITANNIA Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
BRITISH OAK 36, (32), Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
BROWN LION 111, (113), Barncroft Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
BULLS HEAD 132, (130), Bull Lane, Albion, WEST BROMWICH
BULLS HEAD 29, Grout Street, (Oldbury Lane), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
BULLS HEAD 4, (6), Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
BULLS HEAD 146, High Street / Dartmouth Square / Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
BUSH 157, (61), Wood Lane, (Bull Lane), (74, (28), Claypit Lane), (Greets Green Road), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
BUSH + WEST BROMWICH
CAPE HOTEL 336, (366), Spon Lane, Mares Green, WEST BROMWICH
CAPE OF GOOD HOPE 206, Hill Top, (206, High Street) / Barrack Street, WEST BROMWICH
CHAMPION OF ENGLAND Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
CHURCH TAVERN 87, (55), Trinity Road (Street), WEST BROMWICH
CHURCHFIELD TAVERN 18, (8), (7), Little Lane, (Tenscore Street), Lyndon, (Church Vale), WEST BROMWICH
CLAYTON HOUSE Dudley Road, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
COACH AND HORSES 33, Kesteven Road / Essex Avenue, Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH
COACH AND HORSES 39, Lyng Lane, (Ling Lane), WEST BROMWICH
COACH AND HORSES 5, Ryders Green Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
COACH FARM TAVERN Coles Lane, WEST BROMWICH
CORNER HOUSE 214, (210), High Street / Queen Street, WEST BROMWICH
COTTAGE SPRING 10, Crook Hay Lane / Schofield Avenue, (1, Crook Hay Lane / 38, Witton Lane), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
COTTAGE SPRING Oak Road, WEST BROMWICH
COTTAGE SPRING 36, Oldbury Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
COTTAGE SPRING 42, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
CRICKETERS ARMS 43, (17) Lower Trinity Street, (Glover Street), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
CRONE HILLS TAVERN 31, Beale Street, (Beall Street), WEST BROMWICH
CROSS KEYS 1, Wood Lane / Lamberts End, (Dartmouth Street), Lamberts End, (Greets Green), WEST BROMWICH

CROWN Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
CROWN 5, Church Lane, WEST BROMWICH
CROWN Hargate Lane / 1, Mill Street, WEST BROMWICH
CROWN AND ANCHOR 73, (39), Hollyhedge Road / Pennymill Lane, (The Field), (Church Vale), Charlemont, WEST BROMWICH
CROWN AND CUSHION 1, (8), Lloyd Street / 1, Seagar Street, Mayers Green, WEST BROMWICH
DARTMOUTH ARMS 2, Paradise Street / High Street, (New Road), (Dartmouth Square), WEST BROMWICH
DOG AND DUCK 54, (58), Braybrook Street, WEST BROMWICH
DOG AND GATE Old Meeting Street, WEST BROMWICH
DOVECOTE Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
DUKE OF WELLINGTON 2, (19), Church Lane, Ridgacre, WEST BROMWICH
DUKE OF YORK High Street, WEST BROMWICH
DUN COW 173, (71), Sandwell Road, Cronehills, WEST BROMWICH
DUNKIRK 8, (2), Whitehall Road, (Oldbury Road), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
EAGLE TAVERN 163, (73), Greets Green Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
EIGHT LOCKS 1, Ryders Green Road / Phoenix Street, Ryders Green, WEST BROMWICH
ENGINE High Street, WEST BROMWICH
ENGINE Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
ENGINEER Cophall Street, WEST BROMWICH
FARRIER 3, Sandwell Centre, WEST BROMWICH
FARRIERS ARMS 2, Queen Street, WEST BROMWICH
FIVE WAYS 58-60, (16), Seagar Street, (Lyndon), WEST BROMWICH
FLASK Queen Street, WEST BROMWICH
FLOWER POT Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
FLOWER POT 137, (131), (121), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
FLOWERY LAND High Street, WEST BROMWICH
FORESTERS ARMS Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
FORGE HAMMER 150, Union Street, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
FORRESTERS ARMS 12, Ault Street, WEST BROMWICH
FOUNTAIN 116, (124), (63), Holloway Bank, Wednesbury Bridge, (Bridge End), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
FOUR IN HAND Tenscore Street, All Saints Way, WEST BROMWICH
FOX Holly Lane, WEST BROMWICH
FOX AND DOGS 140, (138), High Street / Thomas Street, Heath, WEST BROMWICH
FOX AND GOOSE 161, (157), (51), Greets Green Road, WEST BROMWICH
FURNACE Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
GEORGE 21, (23), John Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
GEORGE Old Meeting Street, WEST BROMWICH
GEORGE Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH
GEORGE 109, Phoenix Street, Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
GEORGE 257, (255), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
GEORGE + WEST BROMWICH
GEORGE AND DRAGON 47, Barton Street, WEST BROMWICH
GLOBE 89, Holloway Bank, (Wednesbury Bridge), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
GLOBE 46, New Street / Norbury Road, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
GLOBE 27, Reform Street / Park Street, (Overend), WEST BROMWICH
GLOBE Walsall Street, WEST BROMWICH
GOLD CUP Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN CROSS 25, St. Michael's Street, WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN CUP 40, Cross Street, (40, Braybrook Street), Lyng, WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN CUP 66, (42), Great Bridge Street, (Dudley Road, Swan Village), (66, Swan Village), WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN CUP 92, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN CUP + WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN LION Hall Green Road / Westminster Road, WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN LION 67, (43), Witton Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN LION + WEST BROMWICH
GOLDEN PHEASANT 85, New Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
GOUGH'S ARMS 36, Jowetts Lane / Witton Lane / Coles Lane, (Church Lane), (Four Ways), Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH
GRAND JUNCTION Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
GRAPES 10, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
GRAPES 174, (172), (89), High Street, (and Paradise Street), WEST BROMWICH
GRAPES 2, (3), Kenrick Street / Glover Street, (Spon Lane), WEST BROMWICH
GREAT WESTERN 36, Chapel Street, Old Meeting Street, WEST BROMWICH
GREAT WESTERN HOTEL 242, (240), High Street (and Paradise Street), WEST BROMWICH
GREAT WESTERN + WEST BROMWICH
GREAT WESTERN + WEST BROMWICH
GREETS GREEN HOUSE 168, (40), Greets Green Road, WEST BROMWICH
GREETS GREEN SPORTS BAR Whitehall Road, WEST BROMWICH
GREYHOUND 330, Spon Lane / Union Street, WEST BROMWICH
HALFWAY HOUSE 75, (57), Old Meeting Street / Greswold Street, WEST BROMWICH
HALL END TAVERN 114, Vicarage Road, (99, (43), Hall End), WEST BROMWICH
HARE AND HOUNDS 18, Seagar Street, (Dartmouth Street) / Taylors Lane, Mare's Green, WEST BROMWICH

HARGATE ARMS Hargate Lane, WEST BROMWICH
HARGATE TAVERN 123, (85), Hargate Lane, WEST BROMWICH
HARVILLS HAWTHORN TAVERN Harvills Hawthorn, WEST BROMWICH
HATELEY HEATH TAVERN 17, Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH
HAWTHORN 245, Dial Lane, Harvills Hawthorn, Hill Top, (Golds Green), WEST BROMWICH
HAWTHORNS 2, Birmingham Road, WEST BROMWICH
HEN AND CHICKENS 90, Hill Top (90, High Street) (11, High Road) / Hawkes Lane, WEST BROMWICH
HEN AND CHICKENS 52, Messenger Lane / Reform Street, (52, Seagar Street), (52, Mayers Green), WEST BROMWICH
HEN AND CHICKENS + WEST BROMWICH
HIGHLAND LADDIE 286, Spon Lane / Neal Street, WEST BROMWICH
HOLLY BUSH Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
HOP AND BARLEYCORN Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
HOP AND BARLEYCORN 57, (27), Dartmouth Street / Duke Street, WEST BROMWICH
HOPE Witton Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
HOPE AND ANCHOR 58, (48), Bull Street, WEST BROMWICH
HOP POLE 32, (38), (30), Holloway Bank, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
HORNPIPE High Street, WEST BROMWICH
HORSE AND JOCKEY 2, Hall Street, (Lyng Lane), WEST BROMWICH
HORSE AND JOCKEY 49, (20), Stoney Lane (Stonehill Lane) / St. Clements Lane, (Summer Street), WEST BROMWICH
HORSE SHOE 198, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
INKERMAN COTTAGE 21, Old Meeting Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
ISLAND Kenrick Way, WEST BROMWICH
JENNY LIND 7, Rydding Lane, (5, Allerton Lane), 1, Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH
JOLLY COLLIER Seagar Street, WEST BROMWICH
JOLLY NAILOR 2, Lyndon Street / Taylors Lane, Lyne, WEST BROMWICH
JOLLY SAILOR 63, Oldbury Road / Vernon Street, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
JUNCTION Dudley Street / Old Meeting Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
JUNCTION 36, Witton Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
KING AND CONSTITUTION 27, (19), Loveday Street South, WEST BROMWICH
KING EDWARD VII 91, (67), Old Meeting Street / Church Lane, (Black Lake), Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
KINGS ARMS 106, Great Bridge Street (Great Bridge Road), Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
KINGS ARMS 220, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
KINGS ARMS 116, Moor Street, WEST BROMWICH
KINGS ARMS Ryder Street, (Swan Village), (Great Bridge), WEST BROMWICH
KINGS HEAD High Street, WEST BROMWICH
KING WILLIAM 158, Great Bridge Street, (Great Bridge Road), (Swan Road), Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
KING WILLIAM Trinity Street, WEST BROMWICH
LEOPARD 60, Church Vale, (Churchfield), WEST BROMWICH
LEOPARD 33, Moor Street, WEST BROMWICH
LEWISHAM ARMS 1, Castle Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
LEWISHAM ARMS 43, (45), High Street, (Birmingham Road), WEST BROMWICH
LION 204, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
LOCOMOTIVE ENGINE Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
LODGE TAVERN 140, Lodge Road / Oak Road, WEST BROMWICH
LOVING LAMB 67, (39), Dartmouth Street / Brook Street, WEST BROMWICH
MALT SHOVEL 2, Dove Street, (Moor Street), (Braybrook Street), (Hall Steet), WEST BROMWICH
MALT SHOVEL 1, Newton Road, Grove Vale, WEST BROMWICH
MALT SHOVEL Sandwell Park, WEST BROMWICH
MANCHESTER HOUSE Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
MANOR HOUSE Hall Green Road, WEST BROMWICH
MARKSMAN 1, High Street, (1, Carters Green), Heath, WEST BROMWICH
MAZEPPA 212, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
MERRY GO ROUND Garratt Street, Tantany, WEST BROMWICH
MILL Beacon View Road / Wyndmill Crescent, Charlemont Farm Estate, WEST BROMWICH
MINER Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
MINERS ARMS 58, Bagnall Street, Golds Green, (Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH
MINERS ARMS 91, (93+91), Holloway Bank, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
NAGS HEAD 86, (6), Church Lane / Scafell Way, Ridgacre, WEST BROMWICH
NAGS HEAD 15, Dudley Street (15, Dudley Road) / Carters Green Passage, WEST BROMWICH
NAGS HEAD Hall End, WEST BROMWICH
NAVIGATION 2, (12), Bagnall Street, (2b, Puddingbag Street), Golds Green, (Golds Hill), WEST BROMWICH
NAVIGATION Navigation Lane, (Beacon View Lane), (Walsall Road), (Tame Bridge), (Bushleholme), Friar Park, WEST BROMWICH
NELSON 48, (34), New Street, WEST BROMWICH
NEW INN 42, Ault Street, WEST BROMWICH
NEW INN 2, Grout Street, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
NEW INN 46, New Street, WEST BROMWICH
NEW BELL 77, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
NEW CHURCH TAVERN 3, (1+3), Sandwell Road, WEST BROMWICH
NEW HOP POLE 376, (324), High Street / Dartmouth Street, WEST BROMWICH
NEW STREET TAVERN 5, New Street, WEST BROMWICH
NEW TALBOT 41, Black Lake / Brecknock Road, WEST BROMWICH

NOAHS ARK Duke Street, WEST BROMWICH
NOAHS ARK New Street, WEST BROMWICH
NORTH WESTERN Shoe Lane, WEST BROMWICH
NORTH WESTERN 253, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
OAK TAVERN 15, (16), Richard Street South, (Richmond Street), WEST BROMWICH
ODDFELLOWS ARMS Hall Street, (Ling Lane), WEST BROMWICH
ODDFELLOWS ARMS 468, (450), (388), High Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
OLD BELL 108, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
OLD BUSH 13, Lloyd Street, Mares Green, (Coopers Hill), WEST BROMWICH
OLD CROWN 30, George Street, WEST BROMWICH
OLD CROWN 62, (30), (12), Harvills Hawthorn, (Hill Top), (Golds Green), WEST BROMWICH
OLD CROWN 56, (32), Sandwell Road, WEST BROMWICH
OLD CROWN 157, (117), Walsall Street, WEST BROMWICH
OLD FLOWER POT Parliament Street, WEST BROMWICH
OLD FORGE 90, (78), Great Bridge Street, (90, Old Forge), (Elwell's Field), Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
OLD HOP POLE 474, (456), (394), High Street / Guns Lane, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
OLD HOUSE AT HOME Bilport Lane, Old Fields, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
OLD MILL POOL Rydding Lane, (Ryddins Road), Hill Top, (Hateley Heath), WEST BROMWICH
OLD POST OFFICE 325, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
OLDE ROSE AND CROWN, YE 56, Cape Street, (56, Grout Street), (Ryders Green), (Grout Village), WEST BROMWICH
OLDE WINE SHOPPE, YE 89, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
OLIVER CROMWELL 128, (62), Wood Lane / Piercey Street, WEST BROMWICH
ORANGE TREE 12, (32), (26), Overend Street / Water Street, WEST BROMWICH
PACKET OF GRAPES Phoenix Street, WEST BROMWICH
PEACOCK 141, (139), Dartmouth Street / Lambert End, WEST BROMWICH
PHEASANT 49, Albert Street, Lyng, WEST BROMWICH
PHEASANT Hawkes Lane / New Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
PHEASANT 83, Oldbury Road, WEST BROMWICH
PHOENIX Phoenix Street, Swan Village, (Ryders Green), WEST BROMWICH
PLEASANT INN Horton Street, WEST BROMWICH
PLOUGH 40, (36), (16), Overend Street, WEST BROMWICH
PLOUGH AND HARROW 2, Taylors Lane, (Sandwell Road), (Woodward Street), (Stoney Lane), WEST BROMWICH
PLOUGH AND HARROW 89, William Street, Swan Village, (Great Bridge), WEST BROMWICH
PLUMBERS ARMS 113, (75), Hargate Lane, WEST BROMWICH
PLUMBERS ARMS 36, (16), Tyndal Street, WEST BROMWICH
PRINCE ALBERT 79, Moor Street, WEST BROMWICH
PRINCE ALBERT 101, Sams Lane / Horton Street, WEST BROMWICH
PRINCE OF WALES 130, High Street / George Street, WEST BROMWICH
PRINCE OF WALES 73, John Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
PRINCE OF WALES 34, Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH
QUEENS HEAD 101, (21), Church Lane / Small Street, WEST BROMWICH
QUEENS HEAD 35, Great Bridge Street, WEST BROMWICH
QUEENS HEAD 3, New Street, WEST BROMWICH
QUEENS HEAD 33, Stoney Lane / Lewisham Street, (33, Lyndon), WEST BROMWICH
RAILWAY 79, Harwood Street, (Guns Lane), WEST BROMWICH
RAILWAY 21, St. Michaels Street, WEST BROMWICH
RAILWAY 35, Tunnel Road, (Castle Street), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
RED COW 2, (2a), Pikehelve Street, Golds Green, WEST BROMWICH
RED LION 190, All Saints Way, (48, All Saints Road), (48, (34), (17), All Saints Street), Churchfield, WEST BROMWICH
RED LION 113, Barracks, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
RED LION Moor Street, WEST BROMWICH
RED LION 38, Oldbury Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
RED LION 184, Union Street, (Spon Lane), WEST BROMWICH
RED LION Field, WEST BROMWICH
RESERVOIR TAVERN 93, Union Street, WEST BROMWICH
RIDGACRE New Gas Street, Black Lake, WEST BROMWICH
RING O' BELLS All Saints Way, (29, (87), All Saints Street), (Tenscore Street), (Church Vale), Churchfield, WEST BROMWICH
RISING SUN 7, Barton Street / Moor Street, (51, Richard Street South), Old End, WEST BROMWICH
RISING SUN Oldbury Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
ROEBUCK Carters Lane, (Black Lake), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
ROEBUCK 91, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
ROEBUCK 133, (131), New Street, WEST BROMWICH
ROEBUCK 184, (106), (104), Old Meeting Street, WEST BROMWICH
ROEBUCK 56, Roebuck Lane, WEST BROMWICH
ROEBUCK + WEST BROMWICH
ROSE Oldbury Lane, Roway, WEST BROMWICH
ROSE AND CROWN 27, Pikehelve Street, Golds Green, (Golds Hill), (Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH
ROSE IN JUNE 2, Long Square, (Rydding Square), Witton Lane, WEST BROMWICH
ROWAY 222, (140), Oldbury Road, (Oldbury Lane), (Albion), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL EXCHANGE 84, (70), Bromford Lane, WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL EXCHANGE 33, (35), Cape Street, (Grout Street), WEST BROMWICH

ROYAL EXCHANGE Dudley Street, (Dudley Road), WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL EXCHANGE 185, Harvills Hawthorn, (135, Golds Green), WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL EXCHANGE 50, Temple Street, WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL EXCHANGE 82, (80), Walsall Street, (Queen Street), WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL EXCHANGE + WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL EXCHANGE + WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL GEORGE Church Vale, WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL OAK 14, Newton Street, WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL OAK Oldbury Road, New Town, WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL OAK 261, (216), (113), Whitehall Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL OAK Churchfield, WEST BROMWICH
ROYAL OAK Hill Top, (Carters Green), WEST BROMWICH
ST. GEORGE'S INN Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH
SAMSON AND LION 45, (21), Cooper Street, (Virgins Court), WEST BROMWICH
SAMSON AND LION 2, Harvills Hawthorn (New Street) / Peters Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
SANDWELL 277, High Street (Birmingham Road) / New Street, WEST BROMWICH
SARACENS HEAD Great Bridge Street, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
SHOULDER OF MUTTON 9, (7), Dial Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
SHOULDER OF MUTTON Gads Lane, WEST BROMWICH
SHOULDER OF MUTTON 209, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
SHOULDER OF MUTTON Wood Lane, (Dunkirk Lane), (Dartmouth Street), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
SHOVEL Dudley Road, WEST BROMWICH
SMITHS ARMS 46, Pleasant Street, WEST BROMWICH
SMUGGLER Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
SOW AND PIGS 26, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
SPINNEY Smithmoor Crescent / Beacon View Road, WEST BROMWICH
SPRING COTTAGE 155, Harvills Hawthorn, (105, Golds Green), Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
SPRINGMAKERS ARMS 74+76, Hill Top, (High Street), WEST BROMWICH
STAR AND GARTER 252, High Street / Star Alley, WEST BROMWICH
STEAM GAUGE Sams Lane, WEST BROMWICH
STEAM PACKET 47, (49), Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
STOCKTAKERS ARMS Golds Green, WEST BROMWICH
STONE CROSS Walsall Road, (Hall Green Road), Stone Cross, WEST BROMWICH
STONE CUPPS Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
STORES 125, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
STORES High Street, (63, Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH
STORES Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH
STORES Sandwell Road, WEST BROMWICH
STORK Heathfield Road, WEST BROMWICH
STOUR VALLEY 227, Spon Lane / Grice Street, WEST BROMWICH
STRUGGLING MAN New Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
SWAN Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
SWAN 101, (85), Dudley Street, (Dudley Road), Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
SWAN 69, Hawkes Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
SWAN High Street, WEST BROMWICH
SWAN + WEST BROMWICH
TALBOT 62, (42), Dudley Street, (Dudley Road), WEST BROMWICH
TALBOT 40, Queen Street, WEST BROMWICH
TALBOT 104, Union Street, WEST BROMWICH
TALBOT Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
THREE CROWNS 16, (10), Great Bridge Street, (16, Swan Village), WEST BROMWICH
THREE CROWNS 148, (33), Hill Top, (148, High Street, Hill Top), WEST BROMWICH
THREE FURNACES 64, (14), (24), Bagnall Street, Golds Green, (Golds Hill), WEST BROMWICH
THREE HORSESHOES High Street, WEST BROMWICH
THREE HORSESHOES 88, Witton Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
THREE MILE OAK 148, (22), Birmingham Road, (Handsworth Road), (Three Mile Oak Road), WEST BROMWICH
THREE TUNS Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
TURKS HEAD 206, Great Bridge Street, WEST BROMWICH
TURKS HEAD Moor Street, (Turk Street), Lyng, WEST BROMWICH
TURKS HEAD 1, Sams Lane / Bromford Lane, WEST BROMWICH
TWELVE BELLS 34, Bratt Street, WEST BROMWICH
UNION CROSS 2, Oldbury Road / Greets Green Road, Greets Green, (Croft), WEST BROMWICH
VICTORIA 40, Lyng Lane / 32, New Hall Street, (32, Sams Lane), WEST BROMWICH
VINE 123, (97), Dartmouth Street, WEST BROMWICH
VINE Dudley Road, Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH
VINE 14, (12), Hill Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
VINE 10, Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH
VINE 152, (134), Roebuck Street / Roebuck Lane, WEST BROMWICH
VULCAN 194, (104), (126), Oldbury Road, Greets Green, (Albion), WEST BROMWICH
WAGGON AND HORSES 101, (99), High Street, Heath, WEST BROMWICH
WAGGON AND HORSES 274, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH

WAGGON AND HORSES + WEST BROMWICH
WEIGHING MACHINE Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
WELLINGTON 101, Great Bridge Street, (101, Swan Road), (Dudley Road), WEST BROMWICH
WELLINGTON 36, Newhall Street, WEST BROMWICH
WHEATSHEAF 379, (Lower) High Street, Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
WHEEL 145, Elwell Street, (145, Great Bridge Street), WEST BROMWICH
WHITEHALL TAVERN 100, (66), Whitehall Road, (Oldbury Road), Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE HART 1, (3), Walsall Street / Herbert Street, (Bull Street), WEST BROMWICH
WHITE HORSE Crookhay Lane, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE HORSE 30, Paradise Street, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE HORSE 3, Phoenix Street, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE HORSE Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE LION 26, Great Bridge Street, (26, Swan Village), WEST BROMWICH
WHITE LION 26, (13), Woodward Street, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE SWAN 34, Bromford Lane / Lyttleton Street, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE SWAN Heath Street, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE SWAN 129, High Street, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE SWAN 84, Pikehelve Street, Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE SWAN 334, Spon Lane, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE SWAN 17, Vernon Street, Oldbury Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
WHITE SWAN Whitehall Road, Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
WHY NOT 16-17, New Street, WEST BROMWICH
WIGMORE TAVERN Wigmore Lane, Wigmore, WEST BROMWICH
WINDMILL 18, Tantany Lane, (Temple Street), WEST BROMWICH
WINDSOR CASTLE 140, Sams Lane, WEST BROMWICH
WOODLANDS 19, Church Lane, WEST BROMWICH
YEW TREE 2, Albion Road / Brandon Way, (Ireland Green), WEST BROMWICH

Unnamed Beerhouses

Bell Street, WEST BROMWICH
 Carters Green, WEST BROMWICH
 Hall Street, WEST BROMWICH
 High Street, WEST BROMWICH
 Newhall Street, WEST BROMWICH
 Oldbury Lane, WEST BROMWICH
 Oldbury Road, WEST BROMWICH
 Phoenix Street, WEST BROMWICH
 Witton's Street, WEST BROMWICH
 Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
 Greets Green, WEST BROMWICH
 Hateley Heath, WEST BROMWICH
 Hill Top, WEST BROMWICH
 Swan Village, WEST BROMWICH

HOW TO USE THE INFORMATION

PUB NAME

This is generally the name by which the pub was officially known. Other names, either changes or nicknames, are to be found in the notes section.

Names marked with + are, at present, not specifically identified as being any of those listed before them, and have not been attributed yet because of the lack of data available.

Pubs are not listed necessarily under their current name.

A number of beerhouses were never given a name, and these appear at the end of the pub lists as Beerhouse – Unnamed. Only those that I am pretty sure had 'on' licences are included.

This is sometimes the case with alehouses too.

Can't find the pub you want?

It's probably had its name changed. Try using the search facility to locate the pub name, or nickname, that you know.

ADDRESS

Eg. 52, (79), Haden Street, (Haden Lane) / Cox Alley, Kates Hill, DUDLEY

Numbers and street names in brackets denote earlier addresses. These are usually detailed in the notes section. Buildings were renumbered with development and demolition, or the renaming of the street etc.

/ = on the corner with.....

Sometimes districts are also included, such as Kates Hill above. These are often historical and are now obsolete, but can be located on early maps.

OWNERS

These are listed where known.

They include companies and individuals, and occasionally the dates acquired and prices paid.

LICENSEES

Often the owner was the licensee, and even when they employed managers their names would appear in directories.

Where known, names are appended with (manager, non-resident, tenant etc.).

Dates

These are differentiated by the use of brackets and/or italics.

[1862] = This was the case in 1862. Where the date appears on its own it refers to the earliest or latest reference found.

This also applies where a pub has its name changed, eg.

[2001] followed by "Its name was changed to XXXX. [2003]"

This means that in 2001 it still had its previous name, but by 2003 its name had been changed to XXXX.

[1862] = Information from a directory dated 1862, so may have been out of date when it was published. As much as five years in some cases!

[c. 1862] = About 1862, but exact date not known.

[1860's] = Some time in this decade.

[] = No date available, but the detail is inserted in roughly the right chronological place.

(1862 – [1863]) = Started in 1862 and was still the case in 1863.

[1862] – **1863) = It was the case in 1862 and ended** in 1863.

(1862 – 1863) = Started in 1862 and **ended** in 1863.

(1862 – 1863); the ; signifies that the licensee was immediately followed by the next person in the list. Sometimes the licence transfer came months after a person's death, but the transfer date is the one used, if date of death is not known.

Sometimes the licensing registers contradict findings from other sources such as directories. Where this occurs the ; is still used, the anomalous name is given a question mark and is placed in a suitable chronological place, and the next person is the one that follows the ;

Eg.

Fred Smith [1916] – **1927);**

Joseph Bloggs [1921] ?

George Jones **(1927 – 1932)**

In the register George Jones follows on from Fred Smith, but Joseph Bloggs was mentioned in another source in 1921. He is left in for completeness.

When using original documents, such as licensing registers, which are sometimes damaged, it is impossible to read some material (including dates). Where this has occurred, and only the decade or century is decipherable, I have used underscoring to replace the missing digits in an effort to keep the licensees in the correct order.

Eg. Fred Smith **(188_ – 18_);**

John Jones **(18_ – 189_):**

If the date is followed with a : this signifies the last person to hold the licence.

NOTES

These start with locations, and are followed by previous names or nicknames of the pub. These are then followed by other details, often where dates are unknown.

Historical details then follow chronologically where possible.

Some pubs listed are the same as others, but so far I have been unable to connect them. This is especially true when directories only list the pub name and licensee, and more than one pub of that name existed at the time. These are often identified by:-
Check OTHER PUB NAME.

Licensees are often associated with more than one pub, and pubs are sometimes rebuilt on different sites to their original one. These are identified by:-
See OTHER PUB NAME

Titles – only Miss and Mrs are used here (when known).
No other titles are used.
ie. Major George Cox was not a major. Major was his first name.

Often names were spelt differently in the sources used. This is identified where possible, and one spelling is used for consistency.

Where I have decided that different spellings are the same person I have identified this
eg. *Smith* = *Smithe* = *Smyth*

Where I am unsure about this I have identified it thus

* possibly the same person

or

* probably the same person

Where sources are quoted these appear in **colour**, followed by the quote in black in a different typeface from the remainder of the information. Sometimes I have paraphrased a quotation, and some have had additions entered by myself.

Information which has been transcribed by me from handwritten sources, such as censuses, parish records, licensing minutes etc., should be correctly spelt, but the reader is advised to check the original for themselves. In cases where I have been unable to transcribe individual names, only those letters that are clear are given. eg, Osbal__on ? The underscore does not indicate the number of missing letters, as this is often as unclear as the name itself.

Where I am not 100% sure that I have deciphered a name correctly this is indicated by a question mark in parentheses ie. (?)

Census records are presented in a different form than the original.

[1] = position in the household.

This is followed by the name and (age).

Relationship to [1] follows, and then occupation (if any is listed).

Finally comes the place of birth. Where these places are local to the Black Country, or are larger towns and cities, no county name is given.

Where birthplaces are given in the Black Country it has to be remembered:-

(a) Harborne once included Smethwick

(b) Kingswinford once covered places such as Brierley Hill, Pensnett, Quarry Bank and Wall Heath

(c) Sedgley once included Coseley and the Gornals

(d) West Bromwich once included Great Bridge (now in the Tipton file), Great Barr and Hamstead (not considered by me as part of the Black Country).

Most local newspapers were weekly and appeared on a Saturday.
This does not apply to the Express & Star, Midland Counties Evening Express, or Evening News / Star.

Newspaper articles sometimes spell the same thing (eg. Surname) differently in a single report. Where the proper spelling is known this is altered by me, but when I am unsure they are left as they appear.

A gazeteer is provided to give approximate locations of place names in relation to larger towns and cities in Britain.

Where a licensee changes her name by marriage, her former surname appears in brackets
ie. Jane (maiden or previous married name) Smith.

Where names of spouses are known, they are listed in the past tense, even though many may be still husband and wife. This is merely a convention used by me for convenience.

[text] Where square brackets occur, with text in a different typeface inside, this signifies comments of my own.

Some entries, in all sections, are followed by a number of question marks (without parentheses). These show the extent of doubt that I have over that entry.

The historical nature of the contents has meant that the old currency of pounds shillings and pence is used frequently. A pound (£) was divided into 20 shillings (s) and a shilling was divided into 12 pence (d). Halfpennies and farthings (1/4d) were also in use.

This is also the case where other measures, length, weight etc., are used. See glossary for details.

GLOSSARY

A number of terms may be unfamiliar and their meanings are listed below. Also abbreviations appear in quotations and they are translated below.

acre A measure of area equal to 4840 square yards.

alehouse An obsolete term meaning both a house licensed to sell ale, or one with a full license, as distinct to a beerhouse.

ante 1869 Licensed before 1st May 1869, and applies to beerhouses which were protected from refusal to renew the license, unless statutory rules were broken.

These were:-

(a) That the premises were frequented by thieves, prostitutes or people of bad character.

(b) Failure of an applicant to provide evidence of a good character.

(c) The applicant had been disqualified due to misconduct.

A.O.F. Ancient Order of Foresters

apprentice One who was bound to a skilled worker for a specified time to learn the trade.

axle tree maker One who made axles for coaches and waggons.

bagatelle A billiards derived game in which players have to negotiate wooden pins in order to navigate balls around a table.

bagman A travelling salesman.

banksman A man in charge of the cages at a pit head.

barm yeast / fermenting liquor

barrel A barrel containing 36 gallons.

base coin Counterfeit coin

beerhouse A pub which was only licenced to sell beer.

billiard marker A person who attends on players at billiards and records the progress of the game.

bill poster One who pastes up bills, notices or placards.

billycock A hard felt hat popular in Victorian times.

black list Anyone convicted of drunkenness was placed on this list. It was an offence to serve such a person, knowingly, for three years after being listed.

black saddler Someone who made cart, gig and other saddles in black leather.

blacksmith Someone who forges and shapes red hot iron with a hammer and anvil, also one who shoes horses.

bobber Metal polisher.

boots A hotel servant who cleans boots, runs errands etc.

brake A long waggonette.

breeze Furnace refuse used in making building material.

bridle cutter A person who cut leather to make horses' bridles.

brown saddler A person who made riding saddles from brown leather.

buckle tongue maker A person who made the metal points that go in the holes of belts, harness etc.

bushel A measure of 8 gallons.

butty A mining term for one who takes a contract for work in a coal mine.

c. circa

cabman One who drove a cab.

C.A.M.R.A. Campaign for Real Ale

carter A carrier, usually with a cart or waggon.

chartermaster A middleman who negotiated mining contracts and supplied the labour.

charwoman A cleaner.

cheap Jack A travelling hawker, who professes to give great bargain.

cobbler One who mended shoes.

commercial When applied to an inn or hotel it meant that commercial travellers were catered for, often at a reasonable price.

common brewer A brewer whose beer is brewed for the public, generally, not just for a pub.

Compensation Authority A body set up to decide the amount of compensation to be paid to the owner, when a licensing authority proposes to refuse a license renewal on grounds other than the statutory ones relating to the character or the conduct of the house.

Compensation was paid by the Inland Revenue from moneys collected from a levy on licenses.

compositor Someone who set type for printing.

cordwainer shoemaker (not a boot maker)

core A device used in casting and moulding processes to produce internal cavities.

Cork club A charitable organisation in which the members had to carry a cork on their person at all times. They were challenged by other members of the club to produce their cork, and if they could not, they had to pay a 'fine' into the charity fund.

corn factor A middleman in corn deals.

C.R. Chief Ranger – an office within the Ancient Order of Foresters.

currier Horse groom / leather trade finisher who greases the dry leather to make it flexible.

cwt hundredweight, 112 pounds (approximately 51 kilograms)

d (old) pence

D.C.R. District Chief Ranger – an office within the Ancient Order of Foresters.

D.D.M. Deputy District Master – an office within the Ancient Order of Foresters.

die sinker Someone who engraves dies for stamping or embossing, or cutting screw threads on metal.

D.M. District Master – an office within the Ancient Order of Foresters.

draper A dealer in cloth, cloth goods, and sewing needs.

dray A low strong cart for heavy goods.

dropsy A morbid accumulation of watery fluid on any part of the body.

edge tool maker A person who made knives and agricultural tools such as scythes.

epithet A term or expression.

f. founded

factor's clerk A clerk to a manufacturer.

farrier A horse doctor, or blacksmith who shoes horses.

filling A Victorian term meaning to serve beer / alcohol.

firkin A barrel containing 9 gallons.

florin A coin of the value 2s (10p).

fob A small watch pocket.

four foot The space between the rails on a standard gauge railway.

footpad A highwayman on foot.

freehold Legal ownership and control of a building or a piece of land for an unlimited time.

French polisher Someone who polished quality furniture using French polish, wax or lacquer.

fs when on 1841 census, probably means female servant

gaming The playing of games of chance for winnings.

gawn A small round tub with a handle, used for carrying the wort.

General Annual Licensing Meeting This was the principal licensing meeting, and was sometimes called the **Brewster Sessions**. They were usually held during the first fortnight of February every year.

grains of paradise Aframomum melegueta. A form of ginger native to the swamps of West Africa. The seeds (grains) were used in brewing to give the impression of strength. Its use became illegal in Britain in 1816.

grist ground malt used in brewing.

guinea An amount of £1 1s 0d.

haberdasher A dealer in small wares, as ribbons, tapes etc.

half crown A coin of the value 2s 6d.

hame One of the two curved bars of a draught horse's collar.

harbouring the police Allowing police officers to be on the licensed premises when they should be on duty. The exceptions being when they have permission of a senior officer, or are engaged in preventing / detecting a breach of the licensing laws, or keeping order.

higgler or **higler** pedlar, usually with a horse and cart

hogshead A barrel containing 52½ gallons.

hoof prints / marks During the winter of 1855 there was a spate of people reporting these marks being visible in the snow on their roofs.

hostler see ostler

indict to officially charge with a crime

indigent in need, especially of sustenance

inst. / instant (during) the current month

intoxicating liquor spirits, beer, cider, wine and British wine

japanner A person who made 'japanned' object using the Japanese lacquer techniques.

journeyman Fully qualified tradesman who had served an apprenticeship.

kilderkin A barrel holding 18 gallons.

liquor water (brewing)

L.M.S. London, Midland and Scottish (railway)

L.N.E.R. London and North Eastern Railway

long pull This was a practice in which more beer was served than the quantity ordered. It was originally encouraged by brewers to improve trade, but around 1900 they began to object to it, to improve takings!
It is no longer illegal.

m. married

M. U. Manchester Unity (of Oddfellows)

milliner A dealer in Milan goods, or more commonly a maker / seller of women's hats, trimmings etc.

Minorca a breed of laying poultry

moiety one of two parts or divisions

NUOFG National United Order of Free Gardeners

oliverman An operator of a forge hammer worked by foot

on tramp travelling

Order of Discharge An order by a court of law saying that a person or company that is bankrupt is no longer responsible for paying back its debts.

ordinary A meal provided at a fixed cost.

Ordinary Removal A method of attaching a license of any description to premises previously unlicensed by the removal of a license of the same description from other premises.

ostler Someone who attends to horses at an inn.

paviour One who does paving work.

PCR Past Chief Ranger (Order of Foresters)

Penny dreadful A cheap sensational serial or tale.

perch A measure of area equal to 30¼ square yards (25.3 square metres).

plaister An obsolete form of plaster.

platelayer One who laid and maintained railway tracks.

posting house (post house) A place where horses were kept as replacements to pull stage coaches, which arrived there. (A staging post is an alternative name.)

potboy / potman Someone who worked in public houses, collecting and washing dirty pots or glasses.

Preceptress Female preceptor (teacher).

provisional renewal When the Justices refer a license to the Compensation Authority this is granted. It enables the pub to continue until a decision is made. If the license is extinguished this renewal expires 7 days after compensation is paid, if not then it becomes unconditional.

publican's license This license authorizes the sale of any intoxicating liquor for consumption on or off the premises.

puddler (pudler) Wrought iron worker, he would stir molten pig iron to form wrought iron.

puncheon An Imperial measure of 72 gallons.

quart An Imperial measure of liquid equal to two pints.

quarter A measure of eight bushels; equivalent to 8 barrels of beer.

quartern A quarter of a pint.

R. A. O. B. Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes.

rat killing ledger A blood sport in which dogs kill as many rats, in a given time; the one killing most being the winner. Gambling took place – hence the ledger (book in which bets were recorded).

rim lock A locking device that attaches to the surface of a door or window.

rood A measure of area of about a quarter of an acre.

s shillings

sennight A week (ago)

shingler Manipulator of puddled balls of iron to remove impurities.

Sick and Dividend Society A society in which annual / monthly / weekly contributions were made by its members in order to provide “insurance” payouts when work preventing sickness, or death, occurred to its members. A dividend was paid (usually in December) from the remaining investment.

sine die without a day (appointed), indefinitely.

sinker Well or shaft digger.

6 day license Pubs with this type of license were not allowed to open on Sundays.

smoking concert A concert where those attending were allowed (or even encouraged!) to smoke.

sovereign A coin of the value of £1.

spragging Mining term for propping.

stallman Keeper of stable underground (mining).

syncope a fainting fit caused by a sudden fall in blood pressure in the brain.

temperance hotel (house) A building run along the same lines as pubs / hotels, but without alcohol.

tuyere (or twyer or tweer) a nozzle for a blast of air.

ult / ultimo (during) the previous month

union fermentation system A system of fermentation, developed in the 19th century, in which fermenting beer is kept in rows of large barrels (unions) interconnected by pipes and troughs, which allows the yeast to continually circulate through the beer. It is often referred to as the Burton Union system.

W. B. A. West Bromwich Albion

whitesmith A metal worker in tin, or light metals.

WM masonic term for Worshipful Master.

wood turner Someone who turns wood on a lathe.

wort The malt solution that results from the main brewing operation.

£ pound

THE ACTS

Below is a list of some of the Acts of Parliament relating to licensing, and some of their effects. By no means is all legislation here.

Alehouse Act, 1828

Laid down, for the first time, a uniform code of procedure for annual licensing and transfer sessions. Premises licensed under this Act were enabled to sell not only 'Ale' but other intoxicating drinks.

Beerhouse Act, 1830

A reforming Act intended to discourage the consumption of spirits (especially gin). Excise licenses could be taken out without having to go through the justices, and this resulted in the growth of beerhouses nationwide.

Refreshment Houses Act, 1860

Effectively put the sale of wine on an even footing with beer, as it enabled a refreshment house keeper to sell wine without obtaining a justice's license.

Wine and Beerhouse Act, 1869

Gave the licensing justices control over all premises where intoxicating liquor was sold for consumption on the premises. No new licenses could be obtained without applying to them, but existing beer and wine licenses were protected (see ante 1869, above).

This inhibited the continuing growth of beerhouses resulting from the 1830 Act.

Licensing Act, 1872

This established a procedure whereby a new license was only valid after a second, Confirmation procedure had taken place.

Licensing Act, 1902

This granted justices the same rights over off licenses as they had over on licenses, since 1869.

Licensing Act, 1904

This set up the compensation procedure for the extinguishing of unnecessary licenses, or those of unsound premises, but did not affect ante 1869 beerhouses.

GAZETTEER

The following places appear in the main text. Below is their location in reference to bigger towns or cities. Distances and directions are approximate. Not all places in the text are mentioned below.

ABBOTS BROMLEY, Staffordshire - 7 miles S of Uttoxeter

ABERCARN, Monmouthshire - 10 miles NW of Newport

ACTON TRUSSELL, Staffordshire - 4 miles SE of Stafford

ADMASTON, Shropshire is part of Telford

ALBRIGHTON, Shropshire - 7 miles NW of Wolverhampton

ALDRIDGE, Staffordshire - 4 miles ENE of Walsall

ALREWAS, Staffordshire - 7 miles SW of Burton upon Trent

ALTON, Hampshire - 9 miles SE of Basingstoke

ALVECHURCH, Warwickshire - 4 miles NW of Redditch

AMESBURY, Gloucestershire - 7 miles N of Salisbury

ANSTEY, Leicestershire - 4 miles NW of Leicester

ARLEY KINGS - 10 miles N of Worcester

ARMITAGE, Staffordshire - 4 miles NNW of Lichfield

ASHOVER, Derbyshire - 4 miles NE of Matlock

ASTLEY, Lancashire - a suburb of Chorley

ASTLEY ABBOTTS, Shropshire - 2 miles N of Bridgnorth

ASTON, Warwickshire is probably the part of Birmingham

ASTON CANTLOW, Warwickshire - 5 miles NW of Stratford

ATTLEBOROUGH, Norfolk - 14 miles NE of Thetford

AUDLEY, Staffordshire - 4 miles NW of Newcastle under Lyne

AUSTREY, Warwickshire - 5 miles ENE of Tamworth

BALSALL HEATH, Worcestershire is part of Birmingham

BALSCOTT, Oxfordshire - 4 miles W of Banbury

BARNBY DUN, Yorkshire is part of Doncaster

BARROW UPON SOAR, Leicestershire - 2 miles SE of Loughborough

BARTON, Oxfordshire is a suburb of Oxford

BARTON, Yorkshire - 6 miles SW of Darlington

BARTON UNDER NEEDWOOD, Staffordshire - 4 miles SW of Burton upon Trent

BASCHURCH, Shropshire - 7 miles NW of Shrewsbury

BAVERSTOCK, Wiltshire - 7 miles W of Salisbury

BEDDINGTON, Surrey is part of the London Borough of Sutton

BEDWORTH, Warwickshire - 3 miles S of Nuneaton

BELTON, Rutlandshire - 6 miles SW of Oakham

BENTLEY, Warwickshire - 6 miles NW of Nuneaton

BEOLEY, Worcestershire - 2 miles N of Redditch

BERKELEY, Gloucestershire - 11 miles SSW of Stroud

BERRINGTON, Shropshire - 4 miles SSE of Shrewsbury

BICKENHILL, Warwickshire - 3 miles NE of Solihull

BINFIELD, Berkshire - 8 miles SE of Reading

BISHOP WILTON, Yorkshire - 12 miles ENE of York

BLABY, Leicestershire - 5 miles S of Leicester

BLACKLEY, Lancashire is part of Manchester

BLOCKLEY, Worcestershire - 10 miles SE of Evesham

BLYMILL, Staffordshire - 10 miles SW of Stafford

BONEHILL, Staffordshire is part of Tamworth

BOURTON ON THE WATER, Gloucestershire - 4 miles SSW of Stow on the Wold

BRACKENFIELD, Derbyshire - 4 miles ESE of Matlock

BRADFORD ON AVON, Wiltshire - 8 miles SE of Bath

BRAMPTON, Derbyshire is part of Chesterfield

BRAMPTON, Huntingdonshire - 2 miles SW of Huntingdon

BRAUNSTON, Northamptonshire - 3 miles NNE of Daventry

BRERETON, Staffordshire - 1 mile S of Rugeley

BREWOOD, Staffordshire - 6 miles W of Cannock

BRICKLEHAMPTON, Worcestershire - 3 miles SE of Pershore

BRIDSTOW, Herefordshire - 1 mile W of Ross on Wye

BRINDLE, Lancashire - 5 miles SE of Preston

BROCTON, Staffordshire - 4 miles SE of Stafford

BROOME, Worcestershire - 5 miles ENE of Kidderminster

BROSELEY, Shropshire is part of Telford

BURGHILL, Herefordshire - 3 miles NNW of Hereford

BURNHILL GREEN, Shropshire - 6 miles NE of Bridgnorth

BURNTWOOD, Staffordshire - 4 miles W of Lichfield

BURTON IN LONSDALE, Lancashire / Yorkshire - 9 miles E of Carnforth

BURWARTON, Shropshire - 10 miles NE of Ludlow

CARLTON, Leicestershire - 12 miles W of Leicester

CARSINGTON, Derbyshire - 2 miles WSW of Wirksworth

CASTLE DONINGTON, Leicestershire - 12 miles SW of Nottingham

CASTLE FROME, Herefordshire - 10 miles ENE of Hereford

CASTLE MORTON, Worcestershire - 5 miles E of Ledbury

CASTOR, Northamptonshire - 4 miles W of Peterborough

CHADDESLEY CORBETT, Worcestershire - 4 miles ESE of Kidderminster

CHEADLE, Staffordshire - 7 miles NW of Uttoxeter

CHELMARSH, Shropshire - 4 miles S of Bridgnorth

CHESLYN HAY, Staffordshire - 2 miles S of Cannock

CHESWARDINE, Shropshire - 4 miles SE of Market Drayton

CHETTON, Shropshire - 4 miles WSW of Bridgnorth

CHILLINGTON, Staffordshire - 4 miles NW of Wolverhampton

CHIRBURY, Shropshire - 3 miles E of Montgomery

CHORLEY, Staffordshire - 3 miles WSW of Lichfield

CHURCH LAWTON, Cheshire - 6 miles WSW of Congleton

CLAINES, Worcestershire - 2 miles N of Worcester

CLAYHANGER, Staffordshire is just W of Brownhills

CLEETON, Shropshire - 3 miles NE of Ludlow

CLIFTON, Derbyshire - 1 mile SW of Ashbourne

CLIFTON UPON DUNSMORE, Warwickshire - 2 miles E of Rugby

CLIFTON CAMPVILLE, Staffordshire - 10 miles E of Lichfield

CLIFTON ON TEME, Worcestershire - 10 miles NW of Worcester

CLUN, Shropshire - 5 miles N of Knighton

COALBROOKDALE, Shropshire is part of Telford

COALPORT, Shropshire is part of Telford

CODDINGTON, Nottinghamshire - 3 miles E of Newark

COGGESHALL, Essex - 6 miles E of Braintree

COLLINGTON, Herefordshire - 4 miles N of Bromyard

COLTON, Staffordshire - 2 miles N of Rugeley

COLWICH, Staffordshire - 3 miles NW of Rugeley

CONDOVER, Shropshire - 5 miles S of Shrewsbury

CONGRESBURY, Somerset - 7 miles E of Weston-super-Mare

CORBIT, Worcestershire is possibly another name for Chaddesley Corbett

CORELEY, Shropshire - 5 miles NE of Tenbury Wells

COUNTRESTHORPE, Leicestershire - 6 miles S of Leicester

COVEN, Staffordshire - 5 miles N of Wolverhampton

CRADLEY, Herefordshire - 3 miles W of Great Malvern

CUBBINGTON, Warwickshire is on the NE outskirts of Leamington Spa

DALLINGTON, Northamptonshire - 2 miles NW of Northampton

DAVENHAM, Cheshire - 2 miles S of Northwich

DAWLEY, Shropshire is part of Telford

DILWYN, Herefordshire - 6 miles SW of Leominster

DRAYCOTT IN THE CLAY, Staffordshire - 4 miles SE of Uttoxeter

DRIGHLINGTON, Yorkshire - 6 miles SW of Leeds

DUKENFIELD, Cheshire is part of Greater Manchester

DYMCHURCH, Kent - 10 miles SE of Ashford

EARL SHILTON, Leicestershire - 10 miles SW of Leicester

EAST HARLING, Norfolk - 8 miles E of Thetford

EASTLEIGH, Hampshire - 5 miles NE of Southampton

EASTNOR, Herefordshire - 3 miles E of Ledbury

EAST STOKE, Dorsetshire - 3 miles W of Wareham

ECCLESHALL, Staffordshire - 6 miles W of Stone

EDWINSTOWE, Nottinghamshire - 6 miles ENE of Mansfield

EDGERTON, Shropshire - near Ludlow (OS SO605812), now abandoned

EPSTONE, Staffordshire is probably a former spelling of Ipstones

ERDINGTON, Warwickshire is part of Birmingham

ESSINGTON, Staffordshire - 4 miles NE of Wolverhampton

FEATHERSTONE, Staffordshire - 5 miles NNE of Wolverhampton

FENNY STRATFORD, Buckinghamshire is part of Milton Keynes

FENTON, Staffordshire is part of Stoke on Trent

FILLONGLEY, Warwickshire - 7 miles NW of Coventry

FLOCKTON, Yorkshire - 7 miles E of Huddersfield

FOLESHILL, Warwickshire is part of Coventry

FRADLEY, Staffordshire - 5 miles NE of Lichfield

FRESHFORD, Somersetshire - 6 miles SE of Bath

FULLBROOK, Oxfordshire - 6 miles WNW of Witney

GAILEY, Staffordshire - 4 miles W of Cannock

GNOSSALL, Staffordshire - 6 miles W of Stafford

GOSCOTE is part of Walsall

GREAT ALNE, Warwickshire - 6 miles SE of Redditch

GREAT BARR, Staffordshire is part of Birmingham

GREAT HAYWOOD, Staffordshire - 4 miles NE of Rugeley

GREAT MARLOW, Buckinghamshire - 4 miles SSW of High Wycombe

GRENDON, Warwickshire - 5 miles SE of Tamworth

GRESSINGHAM, Lancashire - 5 miles E of Carnforth

GUILSFIELD, Montgomeryshire - 3 miles N of Welshpool

HADLEY, Shropshire is part of Telford

HAGBOURNE, Berkshire - 1 mile S of Didcot

HAGLEY, Worcestershire - 2 miles S of Stourbridge

HAMSTALL RIDWARE, Staffordshire - 4 miles ENE of Rugeley

HANDSACRE, Staffordshire - 5 miles N of Lichfield; 3 miles S of Rugeley

HANDSWORTH, Staffordshire is part of Birmingham

HANLEY, Staffordshire is part of Stoke on Trent

HANLEY CASTLE, Worcestershire - 8 miles S of Worcester

HARBURY, Warwickshire - 6 miles SE of Warwick

HARLEY, Warwickshire - 10 miles SE of Shrewsbury

HARPOLE, Northamptonshire - 4 miles W of Northampton
HARTINGTON, Derbyshire - 9 miles NNW of Ashbourne
HARTLEBURY, Worcestershire - 4 miles S of Kidderminster
HARWELL, Berkshire / Oxfordshire - 2 miles W of Didcot
HATHERTON, Staffordshire - 2 miles W of Cannock
HAWARDEN, Flintshire - 6 miles W of Chester
HAYFIELD, Derbyshire - 10 miles N of Buxton
HAZLETON, Gloucestershire - 10 miles E of Cheltenham
HEDNESFORD, Staffordshire - 2 miles NE of Cannock
HIGHAM, Derbyshire - 8 miles S of Chesterfield
HIGHBRIDGE, Somerset - 7 miles N of Bridgwater
HIGHLEY, Shropshire - 7 miles S of Bridgnorth
HINTS, Staffordshire - 3 miles W of Tamworth
HIXON, Staffordshire - 5 miles ENE of Stafford
HOLLINGTON, Derbyshire - 5 miles ESE of Ashbourne
HORSEHAY, Shropshire is part of Telford
HUGGLESCOTE, Leicestershire - 1 mile S of Coalville
HYDE, Cheshire is part of Greater Manchester
ILMINGTON, Warwickshire - 8 miles S of Stratford
INGESTRE, Staffordshire - 3 miles ENE of Stafford
IPSTONES, Staffordshire - 5 miles SE of Leek
IRONBRIDGE, Shropshire is part of Telford
IRONVILLE, Derbyshire - 3 miles N of Heanor
KEMPSEY, Worcestershire - 4 miles S of Worcester
KIDSGROVE, Staffordshire is part of Newcastle under Lyne
KILSBY, Northamptonshire - 5 miles SE of Rugby
KINGS ARLEY, Worcestershire - see Arley Kings
KINGS BROMLEY, Staffordshire - 4 miles N of Lichfield
KINLET, Shropshire - 8 miles S of Bridgnorth
KINVER, Staffordshire - 4 miles W of Stourbridge
KIRKTON, Dumfriesshire - 4 miles N of Dumfries

KNUTSFORD, Cheshire - 11 miles NW of Macclesfield

LAMPORT, Northamptonshire - 8 miles WSW of Kettering

LAPLEY, Staffordshire - 7 miles WNW of Cannock

LEEK WOOTTON, Warwickshire - 3 miles N of Warwick

LEIGH SINTON, Worcestershire - 5 miles SW of Worcester

LENTON, Nottinghamshire is part of Nottingham

LINDRIDGE, Worcestershire - 8 miles W of Stourport

LISKEARD, Cornwall - 12 miles E of Bodmin

LITTLE ASTON, Staffordshire - 5 miles E of Walsall

LITTLE BRICKHILL, Berkshire - 5 miles N of Leighton Buzzard

LITTLE BUDWORTH, Cheshire - 4 miles W of Winsford

LITTLE COMPTON, Gloucestershire - 4 miles NW of Chipping Norton

LITTLE HORWOOD, Buckinghamshire - 4 miles ESE of Buckingham

LITTLE HAYWOOD, Staffordshire - 5 miles E of Stafford

LOCKINGTON, Leicestershire - 7 miles NW of Loughborough

LONG BENNINGTON, Lincolnshire - 7 miles N of Grantham

LONG BUCKBY, Northamptonshire - 5 miles NE of Daventry

LONG COMPTON, Warwickshire - 12 miles SW of Banbury

LONG ITCHINGTON, Warwickshire - 6 miles E of Leamington Spa

LONGDON, Staffordshire - 2 miles NNW of Lichfield

LONG LAWFORD, Warwickshire - 2 miles NW of Rugby

LONG MELFORD - 14 miles S of Bury St. Edmunds

LONG SUTTON, Lincolnshire - 13 miles E of Spalding

LONGTON, Staffordshire is part of Stoke on Trent

LOYSWEEDON, Northamptonshire - see Weedon Lois

LULLINGTON, Derbyshire - 6 miles S of Burton on Trent

MADLEY, Herefordshire - 6 miles W of Hereford

MADELEY, Shropshire is part of Telford

MANTON, Wiltshire - 1 mile WSW of Marlborough

MARCHINGTON, Staffordshire - 4 miles SE of Uttoxeter

MARGAM, Glamorganshire - 3 miles SE of Port Talbot

MARTON, Shropshire - 6 miles SE of Welshpool

MEASHAM, Derbyshire - 4 miles SSW of Ashby de la Zouch

MEOLE BRACE, Shropshire - 2 miles S of Shrewsbury

MELFORD, Suffolk (see Long Melford)

MERTON, Surrey became a London borough

The MIDDLE, Shropshire - 8 miles NW of Shrewsbury

MIDDLETON, Warwickshire - 3 miles ENE of Sutton Coldfield

MILFORD, Staffordshire - 3 miles ESE of Stafford

MINETY, Wiltshire - 8 miles WNW of Swindon

MOIRA, Leicestershire - 3 miles WSW of Ashby de la Zouch

MONK BRETTON, Yorkshire - 2 miles NE of Barnsley

MONMORE GREEN is between Wolverhampton and Bilston

MOULTON, Cheshire - 3 miles S of Northwich

MURSTON, Leicestershire - 5 miles W of Grantham

NAILSEA, Somerset - 10 miles WSW of Bristol

NAPTON ON THE HILL, Warwickshire - 10 miles ESE of Warwick

NEWDALE, Shropshire is part of Telford

NEWHALL, Derbyshire - 3 miles SE of Burton upon Trent

NEW INVENTION is part of Willenhall

NEW MILLS, Derbyshire - 8 miles SE of Stockport

NEWPORT, Shropshire - 15 miles ENE of Shrewsbury

NEWSTEAD, Nottinghamshire - 9 miles WNW of Nottingham

NORMANTON, Derbyshire is part of Derby

NORTHENDEN, Cheshire - 5 miles S of Manchester city centre

NORTHFIELD, Worcestershire is a part of Birmingham

NORTHWICH, Cheshire - 18 miles E of Chester

NORTON CANES, Staffordshire - 2 miles ESE of Cannock

OAKAMOOD, Staffordshire - 10 miles E of Stoke on Trent

OAKENGATES, Shropshire is part of Telford

OCKER HILL is part of Tipton

OPENSHAW, Lancashire - 2 miles E of Manchester city centre

ORTON ON THE HILL, Leicestershire - 6 miles E of Tamworth

OSGATHORPE, Leicestershire - 7 miles W of Loughborough

OVERTON, Hampshire - 8 miles WSW of Basingstoke

PARKGATE, Yorkshire is part of Rawmarsh, 2 miles N of Rotherham

PATTINGHAM, Staffordshire - 7 miles W of Wolverhampton

PAXFORD, Worcestershire - 11 miles ESE of Evesham

PEMBERTON, Lancashire is a district of Wigan

PEMBRIDGE, Herefordshire - 7 miles W of Leominster

PENDLEBURY, Lancashire - 4 miles NW of Manchester city centre

PENDLETON, Lancashire - 7 miles NW of Burnley

PENKRIDGE, Staffordshire - 6 miles S of Stafford

PENSAX, Worcestershire - 6 miles WSW of Stourport

PERSHORE, Worcestershire - 8 miles SE of Worcester

POLESWORTH, Warwickshire - 4 miles E of Tamworth

PONTESBURY, Shropshire - 8 miles SW of Shrewsbury

PORTLAND TOWN, Middlesex was part of Marylebone, London

PORTOBELLO is part of Willenhall

QUATFORD, Shropshire - 2 miles SE of Bridgnorth

RADBOURNE, Derbyshire - 4 miles W of Derby

RADFORD SEMELE, Warwickshire - 2 miles ESE of Leamington Spa

RADCLIFF ON TRENT, Nottinghamshire - 5 miles E of Nottingham

RAMSEY, Huntingdonshire - 10 miles SE of Peterborough

RAVENSTONE, Leicestershire is to the W of Coalville

REPTON, Derbyshire - 5 miles NE of Burton upon Trent

RODINGTON, Shropshire - 6 miles E of Shrewsbury

ROTHWELL, Northamptonshire - 4 miles WNW of Kettering

ROWINGTON, Warwickshire - 5 miles NW of Warwick

RUARDEAN, Monmouthshire - 3 miles NW of Cinderford

RUGELEY, Staffordshire - 6 miles NWN of Lichfield

RUSHOCK, Worcestershire - 4 miles N of Droitwich

SALTCOATS, Ayrshire - 12 miles WNW of Kilmarnock

SAMBROOK, Shropshire - 6 miles SSE of Market Drayton

SANDON, Staffordshire - 5 miles NE of Stafford

SAWLEY, Yorkshire - 4 miles W of Ripon

SAWTREY, Huntingdonshire - 10 miles S of Peterborough

SCALEBY, Cumberland - 6 miles NNE of Carlisle

SECKINGTON, Warwickshire - 4 miles NE of Tamworth

SEISDON, Staffordshire - 6 miles W of Wolverhampton

SHARESHILL, Staffordshire - 3 miles SW of Cannock

SHEEN, Staffordshire - 8 miles SSE of Buxton

SHELSLEY WALSH, Worcestershire - 9 miles NW of Worcester

SHENSTONE, Staffordshire - 4 miles E of Brownhills

SHEPSHED, Leicestershire - 4 miles W of Loughborough

SHIFNAL, Shropshire - 10 miles NNE of Bridgnorth

SHILTON, Leicestershire – check Earl Shilton

SHORT HEATH, Staffordshire is between Bloxwich and Willenhall

SHUSTOKE, Warwickshire - 10 miles ENE of Birmingham

SIBSON, Leicestershire - 9 miles ESE of Tamworth

SILSOE, Bedfordshire - 9 miles S of Bedford

SILVERDALE, Staffordshire is part of Newcastle under Lyme

SILVERSTONE, Northamptonshire - 4 miles SSW of Towcester

SNARESTONE, Leicestershire - 9 miles ENE of Tamworth

SNOWSHILL, Gloucestershire - 6 miles SSE of Evesham

SOUTHAM, Warwickshire - 7 miles E of Leamington

SOUTH LITTLETON, Worcestershire - 2 miles NE of Evesham

SOUTH MUSKHAM, Nottinghamshire - 2 miles N of Newark on Trent

STANTON, Derbyshire - 3 miles SE of Burton upon Trent

STANTON, Staffordshire - 18 miles E of Stoke on Trent

STATHERN, Leicestershire - 10 miles N of Melton Mowbray

STIRCHLEY, Shropshire is part of Telford

STOCKINGFORD, Warwickshire - 2 miles W of Nuneaton

STOCKLAND, Dorsetshire / Devonshire - 6 miles NE of Honiton

STOCKTON, Herefordshire - 2 miles NE of Leominster

STOCKTON, Shropshire - 4 miles N of Bridgnorth

STON EASTON, Somersetshire - 14 miles SW of Bath

STONNALL, Staffordshire - 2 miles E of Brownhills

STUDLEY, Warwickshire - 4 miles SE of Redditch

SUCKLEY, Herefordshire - 8 miles WSW of Worcester

SUTTON, Shropshire - 2 miles SE of Shrewsbury

SWINBROOK, Oxfordshire - 4 miles ENE of Witney

SWINDON, Staffordshire - 5 miles W of Dudley

TANWORTH IN ARDEN, Warwickshire - 4 miles NE of Redditch

TETBURY, Gloucestershire - 10 miles SW of Cirencester

THAME, Oxfordshire - 13 miles E of Oxford

THORNBURY, Herefordshire - 6 miles N of Bromyard

THORNHILL, Derbyshire - 8 miles ENE of Chapel en le Frith

THORPE, Derbyshire - 4 miles NW of Ashbourne

TICKHILL, Yorkshire - 8 miles S of Doncaster

TICKNALL, Derbyshire - 8 miles S of Derby

TIDESWELL, Derbyshire - 6 miles E of Buxton

TILSTOCK, Shropshire - 2 miles S of Whitchurch

TINGEWICK, Buckinghamshire - 3 miles W of Buckingham

TODMORDEN, Lancashire / Yorkshire - 8 miles SE of Burnley

TONG, Shropshire - 9 miles NW of Wolverhampton

TREFEGLWYS, Montgomeryshire - 10 miles W of Newtown

TRENTHAM, Staffordshire is part of Stoke on Trent

TRYSULL, Staffordshire - 6 miles WNW of Dudley

TUNSTALL, Staffordshire is part of Stoke on Trent

TUTBURY, Staffordshire - 4 miles NNW of Burton on Trent

TYBURN, Worcestershire is part of Birmingham

ULEY, Gloucestershire - 6 miles SW of Stroud

UPPER ARLEY, Worcestershire - 5 miles NW of Kidderminster

UPPER TEAN, Staffordshire - 9 miles SE of Stoke on Trent

UPTON ON SEVERN, Worcestershire - 9 miles S of Worcester

UPTON GREY, Hampshire - 5 miles ESE of Basingstoke

UPWELL, Norfolk - 6 miles W of Downham Market

WAGBEACH, Shropshire - 10 miles SW of Shrewsbury

WAINFLEET, Lincolnshire - 5 miles SW of Skegness

WALCOT, Shropshire - 6 miles E of Shrewsbury

WALL, Staffordshire - 2 miles WSW of Lichfield

WALTON, Derbyshire is a suburb of Chesterfield

WALTON, Staffordshire - 1 mile SW of Stone

WALTON UPON TRENT, Derbyshire - 4 miles SSW of Burton upon Trent

WAPLEY, Gloucestershire - 6 miles NE of Bristol

WARMINGTON, Northamptonshire - 8 miles SW of Peterborough

WATER ORTON, Warwickshire - 6 miles NNE of Birmingham

WEEDON LOIS, Northamptonshire - 10 miles S of Daventry

WEEFORD, Staffordshire - 5 miles W of Tamworth

WELFORD ON AVON, Warwickshire - 4 miles WSW of Stratford upon Avon

WELLESBOURNE, Warwickshire - 7 miles S of Warwick

WELLINGTON, Shropshire is part of Telford

WELSHAMPTON, Shropshire - 8 miles ESE of Whitchurch

WELTON, Northamptonshire - 3 miles N of Daventry

WENTNOR, Shropshire - 5 miles NE of Bishops Castle

WESTBURY, Shropshire - 8 miles W of Shrewsbury

WEST DERBY, Lancashire is part of Liverpool

WESTLEY WATERLESS, Cambridgeshire - 5 miles SW of Newmarket

WESTON LONGVILLE, Norfolk - 8 miles NW of Norwich

WESTON ON TRENT, Staffordshire - 6 miles SSE of Derby

WHEATON ASTON, Staffordshire - 7 miles W of Cannock

WHISTON, Staffordshire - 7 miles SE of Leek

WHITTINGTON, Staffordshire - 3 miles SE of Lichfield

WHITTINGTON, Shropshire - 3 miles NE of Oswestry

WHITWICK, Leicestershire - 2 miles NW of Coalville

WICK, Worcestershire - 9 miles SE of Worcester

WIGGINTON, Staffordshire - 2 miles N of Tamworth

WILLEY, Shropshire - 5 miles NW of Bridgnorth

WILNECOTE, Staffordshire - 2 miles SE of Tamworth

WIMBLEBURY, Staffordshire - 2 miles E of Cannock

WINCHCOMBE, Gloucestershire - 6 miles NE of Cheltenham

WINSHILL, Derbyshire - 2 miles E of Burton on Trent

WISTANSTOW, Shropshire - 9 miles NW of Ludlow

WITBOURNE, Worcestershire - 8 miles W of Worcester

WITHINGTON, Herefordshire - 5 miles NE of Hereford

WITHINGTON, Staffordshire - 3 miles W of Uttoxeter

WOLVERLEY, Worcestershire - 2 Miles N of Kidderminster

WOMBOURNE, Staffordshire - 5 miles WNW of Dudley

WOOD END, (Staffordshire) is part of Wednesfield

WOODVILLE, Leicestershire - 3 miles WNW of Ashby de la Zouch

WORTHEN, Shropshire - 12 miles WSW of Shrewsbury

WRIBBENHALL, Worcestershire - 3 miles WSW of Kidderminster

WROCKWARDINE, Shropshire is part of Telford

WROXETER, Shropshire - 5 miles SE of Shrewsbury

WYRLEY, Staffordshire could be Little Wyrley or Great Wyrley, between Cannock and Brownhills

YATTON, Somerset - 11 miles SW of Bristol

YORTON, Shropshire - 7 miles N of Shrewsbury

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PARISH REGISTERS

St. Edmund's, Dudley
St. Giles', Rowley Regis
St. Thomas', Dudley

LICENSING REGISTERS

Bilston and Sedgley
Darlaston
Dudley
Kingswinford
Oldbury
Smethwick
Stourbridge
Tipton
Walsall and Bloxwich
Wednesbury
West Bromwich

NEWSPAPERS & MAGAZINES

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Bilston and Willenhall Times

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