

Fifty Years Ago, June 30th, 1973, The Pub that died and was born again on the same day, by Suzanne Jones.

The Teignmouth Inn

In 1973 Teignmouth Hill was to be widened, however the Teignmouth Inn was in the way, so the solution for Heavitree Brewery was to purchase three adjoining cottages behind the pub and convert them into the new Teignmouth Inn.

Tom and Day Newstead were the landlord and landlady and had a free hand in the renovation for the new Teignmouth Inn within a fixed budget and went for a Georgian style. The new bar being 60 foot long and spanning all three cottages. Mr Newstead was quoted as saying “whilst we will be catering for all tastes, we intend to specialise in hot lunches for Dawlish businessmen and shop keepers. We will provide hot snacks such as chicken in the basket and curries.” There was also an upstairs bar which could be used as a meeting room, children’s room or for wedding receptions, with a patio overlooking West Cliff.

The Newsteads had moved from running a pub in Chillington, South Hams to run the new Teignmouth Inn, prior to that Tom had been a printer in London.

The Teignmouth Inn was first opened in 1838 and owned by William Luscombe of Barton Gardens and tenanted, on his death it passed to his daughter Bessie.



The Teignmouth Inn circa 1860

In 1875 the property was purchased by Dawlish Brewery.



Circa 1900

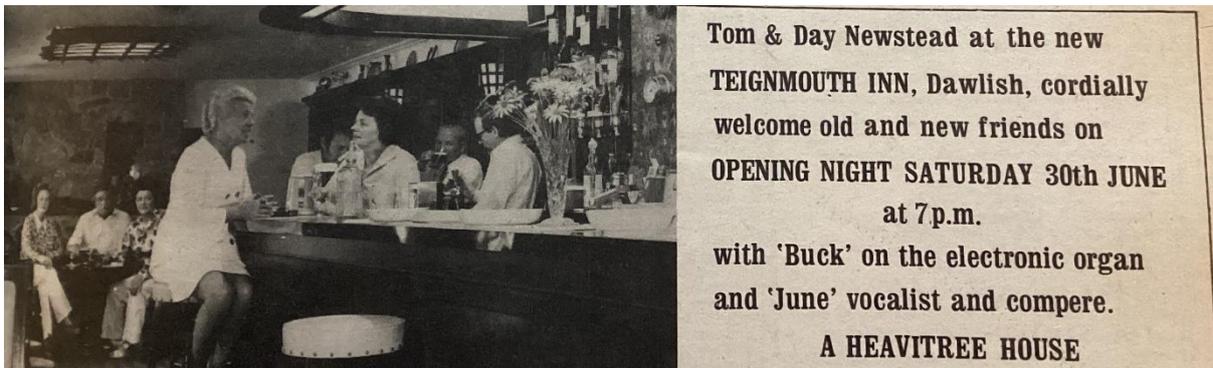
In 1926 the Dawlish Brewery and all its public houses were purchased by Heavitree Brewery who are still the owners today nearly 100 years on.



Circa 1930



Old Pub 1973



New Pub 1973

In the picture (below right) you can see the three top windows of the “new” Teignmouth Inn which are clearly visible in the picture of the Old Pub



The Pub June 2023