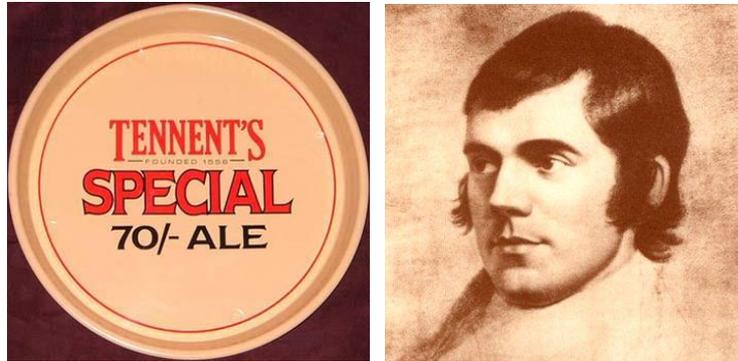


# *Robert Burns probably drank* *Tennents*



Although brewing had been carried out at the site of the Wellpark Brewery for centuries, the **Tennents** company was officially founded by brothers Hugh and Robert Tennent in 1740.

Robert Tennent went on to be the proprietor of the original *Saracen Head Inn*, in the Gallowgate of Glasgow, in 1755. It can, therefore, be taken as read that the *Saracen Head* served **Tennents** Ale.

Scotland's National Bard, Robert Burns, was notoriously fond of booze.

*“O Gude ale comes and gude ale goes,  
Gude ale gars me sell my hose,  
Sell my hose and pawn my shoon,  
Gude ale keeps my heart abune.”*

(To cite but one of his numerous poetic tributes to beer.)

Burns is known to have visited the *Saracen Head* on more than one occasion between 1788 and 1791. It is unlikely in the extreme that he would not have sampled the **Tennents** Ale there.

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