

Protohumanity

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Homo laborensis

One of the oldest pro-human tribes to inhabit the British Isles, *Homo laborensis* was broad-shouldered, hard working, had extremely limited social interaction and was actively encouraged to be as miserable as possible.

Their tribes were founded on the ideas of sharing food as evenly as possible, even if half the food got wasted whilst they divided it with crude instruments such as the arse-bone knife, the medium-sized rock and the self-assessment tax form (a perfect example of which was unearthed from underneath a medieval bowling alley near Sheffield).

The species was afflicted by many diseases due to their weak immune systems and propensity for never using quite enough wood to light a fire. Ultimately, they were wiped out by a deadly strain of 'Foot and Hattersley' disease. They were supplanted by *Homo novolaborensis*, who stole their loin-cloths.

Homo toriensis

A species of the *Homo* genus, living predominately on lowland plains; their favoured environment is believed to have been the flood plain between Middlesex and Kent.

Similar in stature to Neanderthal man, their short and squat appearance was a result of their tendency to lounge about in one place for up to fifteen years. Occasionally they were capable of articulate speech, but not often enough to be called witty. Their tribal structure was deeply limited: each individual was encouraged to hunt on his own, and if one of them managed to skewer a sizeable portion, for example a 'woolly' mammoth (*Elefantus Prescottensis*) or larger-than-average yak, then the children could have some too. But this never happened, and they starved to death.

Occasionally the young would kill the hunters of the tribe by gnawing at their legs, and eating them. And then they starved to death.

Homo polytonybynensis

An offshoot of *Homo toriensis*, *Homo polytonybynensis* as a result of their realisation, between 24,000 and 23,997 years ago, that not giving everyone food did no-one any favours. This fundamental reappraisal had no effect whatsoever and they starved to death.

Homo novolaborensis

The successors to *Homo laborensis*, *Homo novolaborensis* were the first proto-humans

that worked hard to remove facial hair. In this respect they became estranged from their ancestors, who were averse even to moisturising.

Homo novolaborensis was less picky about the distribution of food than its predecessor. Large, muscular hunters were allowed to eat any antelope over 3'7", with the rest distributed out to feed those who didn't have any legs. Eventually, their hunting techniques grew so sophisticated that they decided to introduce tribal choice in what they killed; after hunting microwaveable prawn wontons to extinctions, they starved to death.

Homo liberaldemocratensis

Homo liberaldemocratensis lived in the region round the Cambridgeshire fens, which explains its predilection for wearing sandals. Their supposedly sophisticated culture encouraged them to hunt with blunt spears or to kill animals by throwing sweetcorn at them. Eventually they took to cultivating vegetables and being nice to everyone, whilst muttering under their breath about all the other tribes.

The whole species was eaten by a large and moderately aggressive badger.

Fed up of Alcohol?

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Freshers! Are you tired of the over-priced alcopops? Are you sick of drinking the same boring state-sanctioned poison as everyone else every Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday? Are you worried that your liver isn't being punished as efficiently as it could be? So why not try something with a bit more edge?

A recently published report shows that illegal drugs may be cheaper than ever before in Europe, with heroin prices slumping 45 percent over the past five years. You've literally never had it so good.

This, the first Europe-wide report of its kind on drug prices, has ruffled many a feather in Brussels, where there are fears that this may spur further drug use, which, in their considered opinion, is an extremely bad and naughty thing. But what do they know? They're a bunch of boring Euro-squares!

The steep fall in the price of heroin is reportedly resulting from a surge in opium production in Afghanistan following the overthrow of the Taliban in 2001. It is believed that opium production now actually exceeds global demand. As Afghanistan accounts for about 90 percent of world opium, this massive surplus over the past 5 years has been driving prices down, down, down. Why let such a good opportunity to expand your horizons go to waste?

I haven't even mentioned the best bit yet:

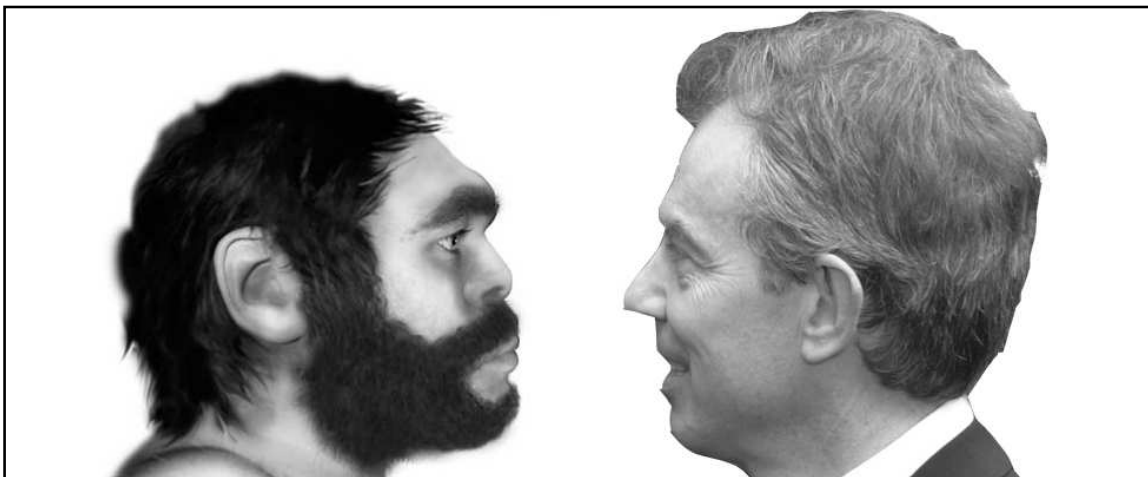
heroin is illegal and thus exempt from taxation! This means the discount remains intact right up until its flowing through your veins.

It's obvious that Durham is growing tired of alcohol: from the moment we arrive here, alcohol consumption is the central focus of all social activity. This fact will no doubt lead to some tearaways branching out a little (into smack). The competitive nature of 'drinking stories' will spiral out of control until eventually Rugby players abandon the current tactic of 'quantity' and move towards 'quality'-based anecdotes, thus necessitating a stronger, more controversial toxin for them to ingest.

Of course, smoking cigarettes is still fucking evil and anyone who does it deserves to be blasted into orbit.

Commented one anonymous Cuth's student, "How dare he smoke in here? Doesn't he realise the damage he's doing to himself and the others around him?" before downing a litre of Vodka, singing the national anthem and attacking an innocent horse with a stolen stiletto shoe full of sick. The logical question is, if the person had been smoking heroin, or even a 'crack pipe', would this socially difficult moment have arisen?

With NATO troops battling a Taliban insurgency fuelled by the drugs trade, and high street prices to make your mouth water, drool and eventually froth, this reporter is going to get down with the good shit.



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