

Medical News Today - Bariatric Surgery Can Make People More Sensitive To Alcohol, Stanford Surgeon Finds

An Oprah Winfrey-inspired study done by researchers at the Stanford University School of Medicine has found that patients who undergo gastric bypass surgery to lose weight will get drunk faster and take longer to get sober.

<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/medicalnews.php?newsid=74325>

Earthtimes - Sex, Drugs and Alcohol Popular with Some Teens on Online Message Boards

Parents who think their teens' online conversations with their peers are innocent may want to reconsider.

http://www.earthtimes.org/articles/show/news_press_release,124644.shtml

The Australian (Australia) - Laws fail to stop alcohol being marketed to children

THE AUSTRALIAN Drug Foundation has called for an overhaul of alcohol advertising standards, claiming the current code has failed to stop marketers from targeting underage drinkers or linking alcohol to sexual success.

<http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0,20867,21933123-2702,00.html>

Talking Retail (UK) - Adults buying alcohol for children is main concern - Scots study

A study into the relationship between off-sales and problem drinking in Scotland has identified adults buying alcohol for under-age teenagers as the biggest area of concern.

<http://www.talkingretail.com/news/5437/Adults-buying-alcohol-for-child.html>

KamCity (UK) - UK: Notable Decline In Scottish On Trade Alcohol Sales Since Smoking Ban

Ahead of the July 1st smoking ban in England, analysis by market research company Nielsen has identified that the On-Trade is likely to see a marked decline in alcohol volume in the coming year.

<http://www.kamcity.com/namnews/asp/newsarticle.asp?newsid=34490>

The Brunei Times (Russia) - High alcohol-related deaths for Russians

HEAVY drinking, including alcohol-based liquids not meant to be ingested, such as cologne or cleansers, caused nearly half of all deaths among working-age men living in Izhevsk, Russia, between 2003 and 2005, investigators report in The Lancet.

http://www.bruneitimes.com.bn/details.php?shape_ID=33780

Irish Health (Ireland) - Alcohol leading to bite wounds

Human bite injuries are most likely to occur during brawls at weekends or public holidays, and in most cases, alcohol is involved, the study by doctors at St James's Hospital in Dublin found.

<http://www.irishhealth.com/?level=4&id=11726>

Nation Multimedia (Thailand) - Alcohol to be banned at temples, schools

An ad-hoc committee in the National Legislative Assembly (NLA) yesterday approved the Alcohol Control Bill's clause to outlaw the promotion of alcohol sales.

http://nationmultimedia.com/2007/06/19/national/national_30037238.php

The Brunei Times (Japan) - World's oldest man shunned alcohol

AN 111-YEAR-OLD Japanese just named the world's oldest man said he owed his longevity to steering clear of alcohol.

http://www.bruneitimes.com.bn/details.php?shape_ID=33845

WestLothian (UK) - Alcohol-related liver disease up

The number of cases of liver disease caused by alcohol has more than doubled over the past 10 years, according to new figures.

http://icwestlothian.icnetwork.co.uk/news/nationalnews/nationalnews/tm_headline=alcohol-related-liver-disease-up&method=full&objectid=19315492&siteid=92284-name_page.html

and

http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/scotland/6763905.stm

Telegraph (UK) - Alcohol binges 'risk epidemic of liver disease'

Britain will be gripped by a liver disease epidemic within 15 years because of the prevalence of binge drinking, medical experts have warned.

<<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/main.jhtml?xml=/news/2007/06/06/ndrink106.xml>>

Channel News Asia – Over drinking could raise breast cancer risk

Imbibing a few pints of beer or glasses of wine in the course of an evening may not raise any alarm bells health-wise, but over-indulging in alcoholic beverages may increase a woman's risk of contracting breast cancer.

<http://www.channelnewsasia.com/stories/health/view/283116/1/.html>

National Post (Canada) - Toronto considers 5% tax on liquor sales

Imbibers who hoped they would escape Toronto's new tax regime could be paying a 5% tax on alcohol by 2009, according to a highly anticipated city report released yesterday.

<http://www.canada.com/nationalpost/news/story.html?id=80ebd542-7e2a-4508-a794-1cd03c2b7d75&k=7711>

The Herald (Scotland) - Council 'in the dark' on new alcohol laws

The new head of Scotland's largest licensing authority is demanding a meeting with Justice Minister Kenny MacAskill over the incoming alcohol laws.

<http://www.theherald.co.uk/news/news/display.var.1477944.0.0.php>

Autoblog (UK) - UK considers lowering its drink-drive limit

According to recent statistics in the UK, there has been an increase in alcohol-related automotive fatalities, causing British legislators to rethink the legally accepted level of alcohol found in the bloodstream.

<http://www.minivans.autoblog.com/2007/06/18/uk-considers-lowering-its-drink-drive-limit/>

InTheNews - Alcohol 'fuelling' sexual health crisis

A dangerous cocktail of alcohol and drugs is putting teenagers' sexual health at risk, a report warns today.

[http://www.inthenews.co.uk/news/science/politics/alcohol-fuelling-sexual-health-crisis-\\$1099787.htm](http://www.inthenews.co.uk/news/science/politics/alcohol-fuelling-sexual-health-crisis-$1099787.htm)

Opinions:

Dairy Reporter - A sobering thought for the alcohol industry

Current estimates suggest that 600,000 Europeans die every year from alcohol-related problems and that this costs EU members €200bn annually according to World Health Organisation figures.

<http://www.dairyreporter.com/news/ng.asp?n=77430-diageo-heineken-corporate-social-responsibility-alcohol-legislation>