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 THE KINGDOM (15) Tue: 11.00pm
 THE DARK IS RISING (12A) Tue: 11.00pm, 1.15, 4.45, 6.30pm
 STARDUST (U) Tue: 11.00pm, 2.30, 5.30, 8.30pm
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Phenix Picture House (0870 758 3218)
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The Big Bang, Walton Street
 I'm ashamed to say that last Tuesday was the first time I'd ever eaten at The Big Bang. Ashamed because it looks like I've been missing out on something pretty special. As part of British Sausage Week (Sept. 15 - 21, now in its 25th year), burger boss Max Mason has launched a new dish combining two favourites of British cuisine: burgers (5 million Brits eat sausage each day, according to The Sun - so it must be true) and curry. The new Goan sausage sounded worth investigating (after confirming that the pork wasn't actually sourced from Goa - have you seen what pigs eat there?), and Tuesday is just the night to off we went. Arriving at 8ish, the jazz was in full swing (ah, with occasional house band blues for Paul covering pop classics in a jazz style, BB has two small seating areas, one up and one down (both ended psychologically by wall-size mirrors), and the amplified jazz raised the level of conversation at the full, cafe-style tables in the basement such that we were sometimes nearly shouting at each other - yet managed to be fitting rather than annoying, as made evident by a tricky thing anyway, and the delicate foil couldn't quite compete with the ginger - perhaps a different spice (or herb?) might be better next time. Luckily Max can try as many different combinations as you wish, as he has beef sausages made round the corner by David Johns in the Covered Market, so presumably he has to do it pop and roll.

HEARE to Sat 27th October
 New Theatre (0870 6063500)
 THE HOLLES
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Sausage Review
 The Haymaker pale ale and pint of Cotswold lager we washed our sausages down with were delicious and what's more there from less than 20 miles away (cutting food miles to a minimum is part of BB's local ethos, as is supporting all sorts of local activities - from fireworks and Luminox to feeding flood victims). The staff were friendly but not overbearing, and service was fast but not hasty. If you can't make the very reasonable average spend of £15-20 per head for shared starter, burgers, drinks (and dessert too if you can fit it in), there's a budget banger option for £4.99; the separate wine list, available on request, is very good; and there are enough special events and seasonal dish variations to spice up the simple winning formula that provided you like a good meaty sausage - as the veggie options are somewhat dear) you may well never get bored of eating here. This is high quality, fast, local food in an enjoyable setting. Next time I'm having the wild venison with carrot and swede.
 Talking of special events, at Halloween The Big Bang launches their first cider (local, of course) with a beer and cider tasting night from 9pm, with beer and cider prizes for the best pumpkin carving and fancy dress outfits.
 Jo Jordan

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