Sue Townsend is English but not proud of it

True Brit

When asked my nationality, I invariably answer 'English'. I know this is frowned on - we are all supposed to be Brits today, a happy cohesin of cultures - but my Glaswegian friends would sooner drink Babycham than write 'British' in the box provided. And doesn't this also go for the Welsh and the Irish? So why this squeamishness about admitting to being English?

I know why, and I resent it. The word has been commandeered by The Sun, the Tory Party and the Royal Family. So sensitive lefty souls have turned their faces away and taken to calling themselves 'Britons'. But where will it all end? What will future Dave Sparts enter in the hotel register under 'nationality'? 'British and Euro-