

JOLLY BOYS TRIP TO PRESTON - 14th AUGUST 2008

Although Preston has been made a City and its Parish Church is now a Minster, some things still only happen 'Once every Preston Guild' i.e. once every 20 years. However our last visit was only 7 years ago and whilst the variety of beers will be just as good, unfortunately the prices have now increased to about £2.20 to £2.45 per pint!

The walk from the Railway Station to Pub ① or Pub ② is about 11 minutes (excluding any breakfasters detour to Pub ④) = The Greyfriars, a weatherpoons house) and can be reduced by about 2 or 3 minutes by walking through the St Georges Shopping Centre. Pubs ① to ⑤ inclusive can be walked in about 5 to 6 minutes and Pub ⑥ is across the road from the Railway Station. If leaving early suggest you go direct from Pub ④ to Pub ⑥.

PUB ① GREYFRIARS - corner of Friargate & Ringway
A weatherpoons pub for those seeking breakfast.

PUB ① : MARKER TAVERN at the end of Market St (opens 10:30 am) (Arrival to 11:20)
Has 3 Cask Ales which change daily - popular with local CAMRA members.
90 yards to Pub ②

PUB ② : BLACK HORSE on corner of Orchard St and Friargate (opens 10:30 am) (11:23 to 11:50)
A Robinson's Pub, established 1889. Grade I listed building with interior in Art & Crafts style. 8 Robinson's Cask Ales including Old Tom @ 8.5%!
250 yards to Pub ③

PUB ③ : NEW BRITANNIA, Heatley St

(11:55 to 12:28)
A small open plan pub with 8 handpumps - usually 6 Cask Ales and 2 Draught Ciders. Dinners cost about £14-50 but there is limited space.
80 yards to Pub ④

PUB ④ : OLDE BLACK BULL on corner of Friargate & Ringway (12:30 - 1:30)

Pub has a large lounge with up to 10 Cask Ales (Cans & Boddingtons plus 8 Guest Ales which usually include at least one beer from Hatz Brewery at the Catforth Inn and a Southport Brewery beer). Dinners cost about £5 each with some on the Menu being 2 for £7.
140 yards to Pub ⑤ OLDE DOG (or 250 yds to Fox & GRAPES via Fleet St)

PUB ⑤ : OLDE DOG & PARKRIDGE, 144 Friargate

(13:31 - 14:00)
Built circa 1772 this is 'The Bikers Pub' in Preston. Has one room and serves 5 or 6 Cask Ales. (8 mins walk to Olde Vic.)
OR: FOX & GRAPES, Fox Street

(13:35 - 14:00)
Another one room pub with 3 Cask Ales. (5 mins walk to Olde Vic.)

PUB ⑥ : Old Vic, Fishergate (opposite the top of Butler St).

(14:05 onwards)
6 Cask Ales which usually include Deuchters, Directors & two beers from Moorhouses Brewery of Burnley.

