

Jollyboys trip to the Chilterns - 23rd July 2009.

INTRODUCTION

Gentlemen I have failed you; my target in undertaking this trip was to find a journey with no Green King or Fullers. There are plenty of free houses in the Chilterns but access is the great problem for we rail/bus bound travellers. We only have one ex-Morlands pub in Princes Risborough the rest are GK and F. The trip is based on a CAMRA magazine article kindly supplied to me by Roger Keep - thanks Roger it really made things much easier. This is the first half of the suggested route - the rest some other time.

THE PUBS

1: The Falcon, 9, Cornmarket High Wycombe HP11 2AX

Wetherspoons in the centre of High Wycombe. Not one their best only four pumps on when I visited. From the station down the hill and right into High Street which in less than 200 yards becomes Cornmarket. Falcon is on the left just before the old Guildhall. Assemble here for a short walk to catch the 11:15 bus. Breakfast from 09:00.

To reach the bus stop we shall use - from The Falcon continue through the Guildhall as a continuation of Cornmarket into White Hart Street, take the third turning on the right into Bull Lane. Cross the road ahead and walk 30 yards on towards the railway viaduct for the stop for the 300 to Aylesbury outside the pawnbrokers.

2: Black Horse, Main Street Lacey Green HP27 0QU www.blackhorse-pub.co.uk

A small free house which is next to a bus stop in the centre of Lacey Green. Food. Two stops by bus or a 7 min walk to The Whip. Brakspear, WaggleDance, Camerons and Golden Hare. 11:45 until 12:45

3: The Whip, Pink Road Loosley Row HP27 0RU whippinn.co.uk

The local CAMRA pub of the year. Usually four real ales from a good range of small breweries. From the number of customers eating, a good choice for food. A restored smock mill behind the pub. Beer garden behind. Bus stop across the road for the short ride to first stop in Risborough. Opposite the top of Loosley Hill on map. 12:45- 14:00

4: Bird in Hand, Station Road, Princes Risborough HP27 9DE

Get off bus at first stop in PR next to the Poppyseed, walk down Poppy Road. A Green King pub, Food until 15:00, 7 minutes from the station. 14:15 until when.

TRAVEL.

There are two way of approaching High Wycombe; from Marylebone or from Banbury

From Marylebone	09:20	09:50	10:20	10:54
	09:50	10:20	10:50	11:28

There are other all stations trains in between which take 45 minutes.

From Banbury	09:09	09:15	10:12	10:32
	09:46	09:59	10:57	11:17

Bus 300 depart from the Bus Station stop 8 to Aylesbury at these 20 minute intervals throughout the day.

HW	15	35	55
Black Horse	34	54	14
Whip	36	56	16
PR	41	01	21

Return journeys to Marylebone at 14:43 15:06 15:33 46 mins.

Return to Banbury at 15:01 15:10 40 mins

NOTES.

On the bus journey firstly we travel along Hughenden Valley with Disraeli's house Hughenden Manor on the left hillside about a mile after we get on the bus. Up the hill to Naphill where on both sides of the road there are RAF quarters for what is now the Strategic Air Command with the bunker under the woods. Two villages on is Lacey Green. Behind the Whip is a fully working smock mill. This was restored by ex-western civil engineer Chris Wallis whom I met years ago when I visited the mill during restoration. For further information see www.laceygreenwindmill.org.uk

MAPS

