

Jolly Boys Outing - Stockport - 20th. January 2011

Stockport is an old Saxon settlement.

Tin Brook disappears underground on Hopes Carr at the rear of the former cotton mill and is culverted underneath Lower Hillgate and Royal Oak Yard. Originally it cut its way through the soft sandstone and provided the only route to the ford that crossed the River Mersey. Later this became the stagecoach route from Manchester to London.

The electric tram replaced the horse tram in 1901 but still ran on the granite set roads from Cheadle Heath through Edgeley.

Stockport became a Metropolitan Borough in 1974 incorporating Cheadle and Gatley, Bredbury and Romiley, Hazel Grove and Bramhall and Marple. Abney Hall in Cheadle, completed 1847, has rare wetland areas and is open to the public. The last private owner of Abney Hall was Agatha Christie and it became the inspiration for several of her stories.

Viaducts and Vaults 4, 2009. Stockport and South Manchester CAMRA

The Pubs

1. **The Calvert Courts** 13, St Petersgate, SK1 1EB. Tel. 0161 4746750. Wetherspoon's conversion of a former furniture store. To be at Queens Head for 1100.
2. **Queens Head**, 12, Little Underbank, SK1 1JT. Tel. 0161 4800725. Sam Smiths. 1100. Sometimes referred as the Turners Vaults dates back to at least the 1790's. The cheapest pint in Stockport. Snacks. £1.43 per pint. Leave 1155.
3. **Arden Arms**, 23, Millgate, SK1 2LX. 1200. See below. Gourmet lunches. * £2.45 per pint. Didn't get any prices but seemed to be plenty of food available. Official food stop. Up to the Church and turn Left down towards ASDA. Leave 1300.
4. **Railway**, 1, Avenue Street, SK1 2BZ (off Great Portwood Street). Just off the map follow Great Portwood Street. Tel. 0161 4296062. Situated opposite the Peel Centre. Was known by various names before reverting back to its original name when rescued by the Porter Brewing Company. The Railway referred to in its name was the Cheshire Lines Committee, whose former tracks lie buried beneath the nearby M60. Home of the Pennine Brewery plus guest ales. * 12 beers on. Outstanding Blond £2 per pint. Not a lot of Pennine on. Leave 1345.
5. **Crown Inn**, 154, Heaton Lane, SK4 1AR. Tel 0161 4805850. 1200. www.thecrowninn.uk.com Beer range varies. 15 on today. Situated under the viaduct. Local CAMRA pub of the year 2008 and runner up nationally in the same year. Choice of around 16 ever changing real ales. Food available. * Mallinson Fleetline £2.30 and a 6.2 % cider which was very nice. Until end.

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Trains

London	0820	0840	0900	1642	1704	1723
Stockport	1016	1036	1055	1442	1504	1523

Crewe	0928	1011	1527	1601
Stockport	0958	1036	1504	1517

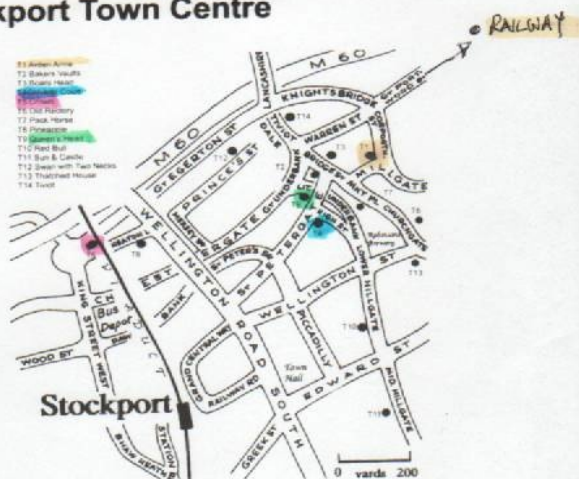
Newport	0715	0805		
Stockport	1049	1058	xx39 Direct train	xx16 Change at Bristol

Numerous trains from / to Manchester Piccadilly

Various other routes I'll leave you to look up the most suitable for yourself.

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Stockport Town Centre



Arden Arms T1
 23 Millgate, SK1 2LX (jct of Corporation St)
 Tel: (0161) 4802185 Web: arden-arms.co.uk
 12-11; 12-11 Sun
Robinson's Hatters, Unicorn, Double Hop, Old Tom, seasonal beer [H]
 Stockport CAMRA branch Pub of the Year 2009. Grade II listed and on CAMRA's National Inventory, the Arden's distinctive curved, glazed bar, its hidden snug (accessed by going through the bar), chandeliers and grandfather clock magic up a Victorian ambience. Gourmet lunches (Mon-Fri 12-2.30, 12-4 Sat/Sun), quiz



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 ongoing with a view to the pub reopening
 summer of 2009.

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