## **JOLLY BOYS TRIP TO LEEDS-16TH AUGUST 2012**



## **Leeds Dark Arches**

Not a lot of people realise that the River Aire flows directly beneath Leeds Station. There is a road running parallel with the station also underneath it, which is where I took this photograph. It is quite eerie and known as the Dark Arches. I would not want to be down there in the dead of night. However you will get your chance to see it for yourselves as this is the route to pub number 5 which is directly beneath platform no. 17.

I have picked pubs we have not done before since Leeds is now awash with real ale outlets!

## The Pubs

1. Wetherspoons Leeds Station. This is in the top left corner on walking through the original 1938 concourse towards the Queens Hotel which fronts the station. Early Birds breakfast. There is another Wetherspoons (Becketts Bar) in Park Row (Left hand side)-straight ahead from the Station/Queens Hotel

JB Times----until 10.30

2. **The Palace,** Kirkgate,LS2 7DJ-.(0113 244 5882) about 15 minutes walk from Leeds Station. Turn right outside the station and Queens hotel along Boar Lane past the Corn Exchange (round building on your right) down Call Lane into Kirkgate and go under the railway bridge past Leeds Parish Church. A Nicholson's pub. Opens at

10.00 and also does breakfast if you want a change from 'Spoons. 6 or 7 local and countrywide real ales, including beers from Alton-FFF, Doombar, Rooster etc on the recce trip.

JB Times 10.45-11.15

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- 3. Duck and Drake, 43 Kirkgate LS2 7DR (0113 245 5432) about 5 mins from no.
- 2. Back under the railway and it's on the right hand side. Former derelict Enterprise Inn now serves 15 local real ales, Local pork pies at £1.95 including 4 different sauces to choose from.

JB Times 11.20-12.20

**4. Whitelocks City Luncheon Bar.** Turks Head Yard, off Briggate, LS1 6HB (0113-245-3950) about 10 mins from no.3. Continue back along Kirkgate towards the City Centre. Turn left into Briggate (pedestrianised) and it's down an alley (ginell in Yorkshire) on the right hand side. Opens 11.00 Does Food . Claims to be the oldest pub in Leeds. First licenced in 1715.

JB Times 12.30-13.15

5.**The Hop**, Dark Arches, Granary Wharf, Neville Street, LS1 4BR. Directly underneath Platform 17, Leeds Station (But there is no access from there!) (0113-243-9854). Another successful Ossett Brewery pub selling their excellent range of beers. Opens 12.00, overlooks the restored Leeds-Liverpool canal basin.

JB Times 13.25-14.00

6. **The Brewery Tap,** New Station Street, LS1 5DL. The Leeds Brewery pub. On the station approach road from the east off Boar Lane. Where the taxis queue for the station. From the Hop come out of the Dark Arches left into Neville Street underneath the railway bridge and left up the flight of steps to the station and turn left to find this one.

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