

Jolly to Moreton-in-Marsh - 19th July 2012

Bit of local info.

The Stratford and Moreton Tramway was built between 1821 and 1826, linking Moreton with the Stratford-on-Avon Canal at Stratford. It was horse-drawn until 1859, when the section between Moreton and Shipston-on-Stour was converted to a branch line railway operated with steam locomotives. The Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway, built between 1845 and 1851, passes through Moreton. The railway station was opened in 1853. The OW&W Railway is now part of the Cotswold line.

The Tour – All the venues are within 10 minutes of the station and are in the main High Street with the exception of the Inn on the Marsh which is on the Stow Road which just happens to be an extension of the High Street. Times are only suggestions. (Numbers correspond with map on page 2)

1. The Bell (Opens at 10:00 - until 11:45) – Had a selection of 6 ales. – Tribute, Otter, London Pride, Doombar, Bass and Spitfire. Food available although on the day of our visit the chef had been involved in a road accident and the kitchen was closed.
2. The Black Bear (11:47 – 12:20) Donnington Ales had four hand pumps but only two available and they were the same, 2BB (Arkells connection!!). Don't wear a Pompey shirt!!!
3. White Hart Hotel (12:22 – 13:00) North Cotswold Best and Hooky. Not perhaps the most promising looking venue but on the reccie it was probably the best beer we tried.
4. Inn on the Marsh (13:05 – 14:00) GBG - Banks Mild, Pedigree, Ringwood Best and Ringwood Boondoggle. Food available
5. Redesdale Arms Hotel (14:05 – Conclusion of tour) Wickwar Cotswold Way, Redesdale ale and Coopers Pale Ale.

The average price was around £3.30 - £3.50 a pint and food was available in all, although being a tourist area some menus were priced at a premium!!!

For those of you who like the spoons breakfast starter then Oxford or Worcester will be your option!! We did see some tea rooms in Moreton but not sure if a Breakfast menu was available.

Trains to/from Moreton in Marsh.

Padd 11:15	08:22	09:21	09:50	10:22	Worcester SH	09:02	1	0	:	0	8
Reading 11:51	08:52	09:52	10:22	10:52	Moreton	09:51	1	0	:	5	0
Oxford	09:21	10:25	10:48	11:19							
Moreton	09:57	10:59	11:22	11:55							

