## **Jolly Boys Tours Presents**

## Brighton Part II - 21st November 2013 (Here's the Rub it Ain't Brighton its Hove )

What can one say about Hove. Well that's the culture bit over with and I hope you have all learn't something.

It's been a number of years since we last visited this bastion on the South Coast. OK it's not as long ago as it was since Brighton & Hove Albion F.C. climbed out of the 3rd Division South but nevertheless it's a little while.

If the 7th November proves to be Swindon my advice is call it a day at 11-15 invest the unspent money in the high interest Canvey Island off shore account and come and enjoy yourself. Pints came be £3-85 in some places.

We start as is the norm in the local JDW's "The Cliftonville". This is located at the far end of George Street on the righthand side. Easy to reach just exit the station, walk straight down Goldstone Villas, cross Blatchington Road and George St is 25 yards along to the right. Pedestrianised during shopping hours. Journey time 10-12 min depending on pace.

(1) The Cliftonville, 98-101 George St Various beers and for those who require it a breakfast break. Start to 11-00

Leave pub, turn right, walk down to Church Rd, turn left, continue walking for approx 10 mins, passing the 1960 concrete monolith known as Hove Town Hall home on one of the Souths best Beer Fests. Walk takes you slightly beyond the supplied map boundaries (NO PASSPORT REQUIRED)

(2) The Blind Busker, 75-77 Church Rd **Opens at 10-00AM** (11-10- to 11-50) Harveys plus 4 guest brews from various local breweries on day of visit.

Exit pub return in direction you came from but at some point cross over Church Road.

(3) The Albion, 110 Church Rd (12-00 to 12-45)
A lovely old Victorian /Edwardian High St boozer
2 Harveys with 3 or 4 other brews. On day of visit these included
T.T.Landlord and Downlands Conker

Exit pub turn left walk along Church Rd, cross Church Rd at traffic lights by Tesco's. Walk up un-named road by side of Tesco's straight across their car park and through opening in security fence other side into Belfast St.

(4) The Bell, 15-17 Belfast St (12-55 to 13-40)
Small back street boozer with a range of food but not particulary cheap.

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On Leaving pub turn right. Walk up to main road (Blatchington Road), turn right when you once again pass the entrance to George St, cross Blatchington Rd, walk up Goldstone Villas as if going back to station but take the 1st left into Clarendon Villas then 1st right into Goldstone St. Pub at far end on corner of Clarendon Rd.

(5) The Exchange 8 Goldstone St (13-50 to end) Unusual large old pub. Obviously a music venue by night but quite during daytime. Normal practice seems to be to serve beers in the old style jug handle glasses you see in Western Cowboy Saloons. 3 Beers which included Laines, Dark Star American IPA and one other

on day of visit. Extensive food menu slightly Spanish orientated. First time I have seen Sausage Rolls sold by the 1/2 pint glass.

To return to station exit main entrance, turn right, walk along Clarendon Rd to junction with Goldstone Villas turn left and station is about 200 yards up in front of you.

## **REQUIRED MAPS**

Attached you will find an extract from a Non Ordnance Sheet (scale unknown) produced by 26993249, Sapper Gee of the Royal Engineer's (TA) 385 Topographic Unit. All other maps and GPS systems are superflous. Route and locations are as shown. All times for walking based on a standard army pace of 2' 6" and on a moderate amble of 36 steps or thereabouts to the minute. **NO CHEATING** 

## **RETURNING HOME**

Fast trains to London Victoria direct at 21 & 51 mins past hour Change at Haywards Heath for connections to London Bridge, Farringden and St Pancras, departing H H at 14,18,34 & 48 mins past hour.

Trains to Southampton depart 37 mins past hour.

P.S. Yes if you really want the culture look at the building behind the berthing roads. The Duberry Perfumary Factory. Closed in the late 1960's now converted to flats and a gymnasium.

We at Gee-Whizz Tours hope you all enjoy your visit.

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