



An early 20th century view of Otley station, looking east. (Author's collection)



JOLLY BOYS VISIT TO OTLEY-THURSDAY 28th AUGUST 2014

Otley is now on the World map, due in no small part to the fact the Tour de France cycle race passed through there on Saturday 5th July. All along the route are scenes such as that above, with yellow bunting and painted bicycles.

Life should have nearly returned to normal by the time the Jolly Boys hit the place! The railway station shown above closed on 22nd March 1965 and the Otley bypass now occupies the site.

THE PUBS

1. The Bowling Green 18 Bondgate, Wetherspoons . This is an alternative to the Leeds Station Wetherspoons, depending on your train from London.

JB Times :- Until-11.05

2. The Bay Horse, Market Place, LS21 3AQ-Tel 01943-468721. Opens at 10.45. Unspoilt locals pub serving the most wonderful beef or pork and dripping sandwiches on large slices of brown bread at £1.50 each!-check?

JB Times :- 11.10-11.35

3. Whitacres, 49 Kirkgate, LS21 3HN. Opens 11.30.

Does food lunchtime.

Pub has a bricked up tunnel underneath which is thought once led to the church.

JB Times :- 11.40-12.10

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4. Fleece, Westgate, LS21 3DT. Opens 12.00 Large trendy pub overlooking the River Wharfe. Does a good choice of food, though not cheap for Yorkshire. It serves the Wharfe Bank Brewery range

JB Times :- 12.20-13.00

5 Junction Inn 44 Bondgate, LS21 1AD Tel 01943 463233. Opens 11.00
Has a good selection of real ales from around the country.
Does not do food but you can bring your own in from the Bondgate Bakery.

JB Times :-13.10-13.40

6. The Old Cock, 11-13 Crossgate, LS21 1AA. Opens 11.00. Local CAMRA pub of the year 2011 and 2012 and 2013. Large filled baps available etc.

JB Times :- 13.45-14.20

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Kings Cross Dep	07.05	07.35	08.03
Leeds Arr	09.17	09.48	10.16
Leeds Dep	09.32 or 10.02 or 10.32 (Ilkley Train)		
Menston Arr	09.48 or 10.17 or 10.47		
Bus no.967 (First Group) Outside Station on Down Side			
Menston Dep	09.52 or 10.22 or 10.52		
Otley Bus Station Arr	10.03 or 10.35 or 11.03		

Otley Bus Station Dep.	14.04	14.34
Menston Arr.	14.16	14.46
Menston Dep	14.21	14.51
Leeds Arr	14.39	15.10
Leeds Dep	14.45	15.15
Kings Cross Arr	16.59	17.28

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