

# Thursday August 18th 2016 trip to Berkhamsted.

## Culture.

The castle ruins next to the railway are a great place to let the grandchildren run around up and down the grass banks.

This being England the weather cannot be guaranteed to be as good as last time.

## Pubs.

The Crown JDW converted coaching inn. Breakfast available from 8:00. A real rabbit warren of a place. If the beer choice here is decent then stay if not try next door Kings Arms. Fullers only when I called else further along to the Lamb.

Leave 11:50 for 5 minute walk to

Red Squirrel Brewery outlet. Opens at 12:00 9 ales on a pipe system, some of their own and 4 guests. Very pleasant beer garden and room upstairs to sit inside if wet. No food.

If choice is not to your liking across the road is the Goat opens at 12:00 Doombar and 2 Tring when I called.

Leave at 12:45 for walk down Raven Lane to

Boat. A Fullers pub, smokers garden overlooking canal with noises off from West Coast mainline 30 yards up road. Food mains expensive but snacks (including fish finger sarnies). Pride, ESB and a guest. Plenty of customs eating on the canal side.

Leave 13:15 for 1 minute walk along towpath to

Riser. Should have 5 real ales. Ploughman only or crisps . Until time.

## Travel.

Four trains an hour from Euston, 05, 24, 34, 54, arr 42, 53, 10, 22.

1 per hour from Clapham Jc at 39 mins past hour arr :33.

Milton Keynes dep 13, 22, 47 arr 39, 46, 17

## Return

To Euston :01 :15 :31 :46

To Clapham :39

To MKC :24 :34 :54

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