

## Jolly Boys Outing: Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>. August 2017 Camden Town & Kentish Town - London NW1 & NW5

Travel information - getting there, around and back

The modes of travel include legs/buses/trains/tubes ie London Underground - Northern Line, London Overground - NLL, also National Rail - Thameslink. Numerous bus routes criss-cross the area.

London Overground - North London Line - Free pass boundaries.

Both directions of travel

Stratford - Dalston Kingsland - Eastern Anglia

Dalston Kingsland - South Acton - LM

South Acton - Richmond - Southern

Dalston Kingsland - Kensington Olympia - LM

Kensington Olympia - Clapham Junction - Southern

Pub 1 is approx. 350 yards from Camden Town LU Northern line which is the nearest station. Camden Road - over ground NLL is approx 800 yards (or 550 yards via towpath if the repairs have finished)

Camden Road - over ground NLL is accessible by train from the east (6 per hour) from Stratford (6.25 miles 22 minutes) or from the south at 4 per hour from Clapham Junction (10 miles 35 minutes) or Richmond 4 per hour (11.25 miles 36 minutes)

Return from pub 5 350 yards to Kentish Town LU Northern line or National Rail Thameslink to St Pancras International and the south at 24 and 54 minutes past the hour.

Recce 1 on 4 July 2017: Pub 1 has the cheapest ales, pub 2 has some ales below £4 per pint, pubs 3, 4 and 5 all ales £4+ per pint.

### Culture

The desire to live in a once neglected portion of the Saucer or better still on one of the rims has produced some odd migrations, especially of the professional classes and the followers of the arts. The high cost of central housing makes for dispersion. Camden Town was little thought of not long ago: it was a low price, low life area through which the bus traversed en route to Hampstead. Camden Town was also the home of the famous murderer Dr Crippen.

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Now the sad Victorian streets have had their gloom dispelled by occupiers with stage, radio, television and gossip column reputations. (Note Grafton Studios RH side of Angler Street en route between pubs 3 and 4).

Mouldering facades have been brightened by new paint and colourful doorways. The same thing has happened on the slopes of Islington.

(Extract from a publication about England's villages circa 1970)

Judge the area now for yourself.

Welcome to this (High rise flats in certain parts) cosmopolitan, bohemian and colourful Metropolis.

Places of interest close/nearby

Camden Lock Market \*, Jewish Museum, Cecil Sharp House, Roundhouse.

This vicinity and nearby Belsize Park was also the stamping ground and fall over area of the late departed Jollyboy Vic B.

- In the early hours of 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017 a huge blaze, which appeared to start in Camden Lock Place, ripped through part of Camden Lock Market. Around 70 fire fighters and 10 fire tenders attended.

# PUBS & ADDRESSES, PHONE NOS: ALL (EXCEPT 1) IN 2017 G.B.G.

**THE ICE WHARF, ①:** WETHERSPOONS BREAKFAST & EARLIES: FROM UNITS 1-2, CAMDEN TOWN - L.U. NORTHERN LINE UP CAMDEN HIGH SUFFOLK WHARF: ST FOR 350 YDS. LEFT ONTO CANAL FOOTPATH SOUTH SIDE, NEXT TO FOOTBRIDGE. LEAVE 11.15 HRS.

## **Tapping the Admiral**

77 Cuffie Road, NW1 8SU

① 12-midnight (11 Mon & Tue); 12-11 Sun

☎ (020) 7267 6118

4 changing beers (sourced regionally) ☺

Local CAMRA Pub of the Year in 2015, this is a popular and enjoyable community pub where friendly and knowledgeable staff offer a warm welcome. Eight handpumps deliver guest ales, many local. The menu is great British food with

speciality home-made pies. A heated and covered beer garden is well designed and a nice feature. There is a popular Wednesday quiz and live sessions of traditional music on Thursday evenings. Look out for monthly tap takeovers and pop-up events.

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**2:** FORMALLY FUZZOCK & FIRKIN - PART OF BRUCES PUB CHAIN: PUB TO OPEN EARLY AT 11.30 HRS FOR SOME BOYS - WILL BE CONFIRMED.

DISTANCE ① TO 2 = 750 YDS. DISTANCE FROM KENTISH TOWN WEST - OVERGROUND N.L.L. = 300 YD  
LEAVE 12.25 HRS: CAMRA DISCOUNT

## **Grafton**

20 Prince of Wales Road, NW5 3LG

① 12-11 (midnight Fri); 11-midnight Sat; 12-10.30 Sun

☎ (020) 7482 4466 📧 thegraftonnw5.co.uk

Purity Mad Goose; Sambrook's Wandle Ale; Timothy Taylor Landlord; 4 changing beers (sourced locally) ☺

Popular pub with beautiful Victorian features, combining a traditional feel with many contemporary touches and specialising in local cask beers. The spacious ground floor-horseshoe bar is partly tiled, with ample seating. Upstairs is a bar/function room (no real ale). It has an elegant, covered roof garden. Knowledgeable and friendly bar staff will serve you. Quiz night is Tuesday, there are also board games and a piano, with occasional open mic evenings.

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2 TO 3 = 350 YDS: DISTANCE FROM KENTISH TOWN WEST - OVERGROUND N.L.L. = 300 YDS.

ARRIVE 12.30 HRS, FOOD EXPENSIVE.  
LEAVE 12.55 HRS: CAMRA DISCOUNT.

## **Lion & Unicorn**

42-44 Galsford Street, NW5 2ED

① 12-11; 11-11 Sat; 12-10.30 Sun ☎ (020) 7267 2304

Sharp's Cornish Coaster; Young's Bitter; 3 changing beers (sourced regionally) ☺

This community venue is a great favourite with its genuine homely feel, open fire and comfortable seating. Run by friendly management and staff as a Geronimo-branded gastro-pub, it offers a good-quality cask ale range featuring several local breweries. It is a winner of local and regional awards for both front and back gardens. There are quizzes on Sunday. Above is the Lion and Unicorn Theatre. 📶 📶 📶 📶

**4:**

3 TO 4 = 440 YDS: CORNER OF HAMMOND ST.  
ARRIVE 13.05 HRS: FORMALLY THE ROYAL.  
SUGGESTED LUNCH STOP, BRUNCH BAR & BOARDS  
CHEAPER THAN 3, MAIN MEALS SAME PRICE.  
LION & UNICORN THEATRE ABOVE: LEAVE 13.55 HRS

## **Pineapple**

51 Leverton Street, NW5 2NX

① 12-11; 12-midnight Fri & Sat; 12-10.30 Sun

☎ (020) 7284 4631

Sharp's Doom Bar; 4 changing beers (sourced nationally) ☺

An authentic and friendly community pub, saved from closure by the locals, Grade II-listed and with a regionally important historic interior, notable for its mirrors and splendid bar-back. The front bar, with comfortable seating around tables, leads through to an informal conservatory overlooking the patio garden. The food menu is Thai kitchen cuisine. Local beers can come from across London and, the pub being free of tie, the range changes regularly. 📶 📶 📶 📶

**5:**

4 TO 5 = 700 YDS: CORNER OF BAILEY MEWS.  
ARRIVE 14.05 HRS: THAI FOOD MENU £5-£6  
14.30 HRS FOOD FINISH: CAMRA DISCOUNT.  
DISTANCE TO KENTISH TOWN STN: 350 YDS.  
L.U. NORTHERN LINE, ALSO THAMESLINK TRAINS  
TO ST. PANCRAS INTERN' AT 24.54 MINS PAST HR

