

JOLLYBOYS VISIT TO NORWICH 30TH MAY 2019

Recce on 11th April 2019 by KC and KA

The Jollyboys last visit to Norwich was in 2012, and apart from Pub No.1, the obligatory Wetherspoons, 5 different pubs (all in the 2019 GBG) will be visited on this tour.

Our visit comes within the Norwich Festival of Ale period from 23rd May until 2nd June. Not sure if this will have any impact on our visit – pubs could be busier, but more beers could be on offer. See what happens on the day.

The Pubs:

No.1 Queen of the Iceni(Wetherspoons) Riverside Development

Usual Wetherspoons fare.

Turn left outside Norwich station, walk down slope to the dual carriageway (Koblenz Avenue), cross this road and walk down the paved road opposite and the pub will be on the right hand side.

Leave at 1040 and return to the station forecourt, cross the forecourt and board bus 25 or 26 towards the City centre. Alight at Castle Meadow. Cross this road and walk along to Opie St., turn left down Opie St., walk down to London St., cross this road into St. Andrews Hill, continue and cross St. Andrews St., continue into St. Georges St., passing Pub No.5 (St. Andrews Brewhouse) on the left, cross the river and to the Playhouse Theatre on the left, the location of Pub No.2

No.2 The Playhouse Bar 42-58 St. Georges St. NR3 1AB tel: 01603 612580

JB Times 1120 to 1150 4 handpumps – local beers available on recce

Exit left out of the pub, continue along St. Georges St. to Colegate, turn right into Colegate, continue along Colegate and turn left into Magdalen St. to Pub No.3 The Kings Head which opens at 12noon.

No.3 The Kings Head 42 Magdalen St. NR3 1JE tel: 01603620468

JB Times 1200 to 1230 8 beers available on recce. Limited food such as pork pies

Exit right out of the pub, walk back along Magdalen St., cross the river and Pub No.4 Ribs of Beef is on the right hand side just over the bridge.

Pub No. 4 Ribs of Beer 24 Wensum Street NR3 1HY tel: 01603 620468

JB times 1245 to 1315. 9 handpumps. Does food, but pricey – possible meal stop.

Exit the pub, cross back over the river passing the Mischief pub, turn left at this pub and walk down road which leads to a footpath alongside the river. Continue along here to St Georges St. Turn left into St. Georges St. cross the river and walk up to St. Andrews Brewhouse on the right hand side.

Pub no.5 St. Andrews Brewhouse 41 St. Andrews St. NR2 4TP tel: 01603 305995

JB times 1330 to 1400. 6 handpumps Does food but pricey – possible meal stop.

Return to Castle Meadow (reverse route for Pub No.2). Do not cross Castle Meadow remain on same side as Opie St. go to bus stop CC. For those not wishing to visit Pub No. 6, buses 25 and 26 go to the railway station.

Those wishing to visit Pub No.6 (Coach and Horses), board bus 14 and alight one stop beyond the railway station. Walk back towards the station to the pub which is set back from the road.

Pub No.6 Coach and Horses 82 Thorpe Road NR1 1BA tel: 01603 477077

JB Times 1430 to finish. 12 handpumps. Does food but pricey.

To return to the railway station, exit right outside the pub and walk along Thorpe Road and the station is on the left hand side.

Note: On the Recce a new bar (The Beerhouse) which has recently opened on Norwich station was visited, but had no real ale! The bar staff said that it would have some in due course. If so this might be a possible stop for any not wishing to visit Pub No.6.

**Getting to Norwich – Half-hourly service from London Liverpool St.
Hourly service from Liverpool Lime St. via Manchester/Sheffield/
Nottingham/Peterborough.**

Hourly service from Cambridge via Ely.

Also Birmingham to Stansted Airport via Nuneaton/Leicester/

Peterborough/Ely – poss connections at Peterborough/Ely for Norwich.

No times given as Summer timetable starts 19th May so check then.

