

After a search of the pubs in Northampton I decided that like others recently the drinking wasn't up to the required standard and checked up on the situation in nearby Rugby. It has several advantages: the travel is easier; there are just enough pubs open at 11:00 - two; although one wasn't sparkling.

There is minimal repeat of the previous trips and the walking, leaving out the walk from the station which is not compulsory, is less. So the JDW start is the same; as it is the only one.

Bus 4, runs every 20 mins at 18,38,58 from from the end of Abbey St and comes through under the railway. There are others 1,2,D1 and 96 at irregular intervals which run from same stop varying intermediate times. Check on Google maps for times. (No timetable on bus stop)

Walk from station turn left out of station and follow Railway Terrace up into town approx 1.1 km.

For JDW get off when the bus has turned right after 3/4 mile. To get to JDW walk further along towards the town centre and cross into Gas St. Follow it round into Castle St.

For the Bull stay on to next stop; just after clocktower. Walk back up North St and continue into pedestrian zone. Follow instruction as though from JDW below.

1: Rupert Brooke. Castle St. As usual.

Leave by front door, turn left along Castle St and continue along Church St until the clock tower. and go past Cafe Nero into Market Place where the street divides into two; take the right hand fork Sheep St. The Bull is a little way down on the right.

2: Bull. Sheep St. 11:15-12:00. Three changing beers - Purity Ubu and Gold on when I called.

Out and turn left and retrace steps back to clocktower above continue straight on on right in 150m is

3: Courthouse North St. 12:10-13:00. Food check www.thecourthouserugby.co.uk

4: Windmill Inn North St. 13:05-14:00. Splendid selection of up to nine beers. Cobs

Back along Church St to behind JDW. For

5: Squirrel Church St. 14:10- whenever. Four changing brews. Best stop for return journey is outside Peacocks near clock tower. As non 4 buses don't go same way back, but go down Railway Terrace but fin fish up at same stop.

Travel summary

From EUS :59. Avanti non stop. 52 mins
:46. NorthWest. Calling MKC. Approx 55 mins

From RDG. :13. Crosscountry to COV and change. 1hour 46 mins

From WKF. 07:23. Change Tamworth arr 09:32

From CRE. 08:23 arr 09:31

From NOT. 09:07. Change TAM. arr 10:52

Jollyboys trip to Rugby.

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