

CAMRA HALIFAX & CALDERDALE.

HEBDEN ROYD REAL ALE PUBS

(A Permanent Beer Festival)



**Pre-Festival Mini Pub Guide. Hebden Royd –
Including all cask ale premises in Central Hebden
Bridge, Mytholmroyd, Cragg Vale, Heptonstall,
Colden, Widdop & Pecket Well**



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WHAT IS THE PRE-FESTIVAL MINI PUB GUIDE?

The **CALDERDALE BEER & CIDER FESTIVAL**, organised and run by the **Halifax and Calderdale CAMRA Branch** (Campaign for real ale), has been held at the beautiful Hebden Bridge Town Hall for the last three years, so hopefully has become a welcome addition to the drinking scene in Hebden Bridge in late summer, complementing the wide and varied pubs, micro pubs and bars in the town as a whole. To commemorate this partnership between the festival and the town we now call home, we have decided to publish this mini pub guide that is available in pubs and bars in Hebden Bridge and its surrounds. providing you the drinker/visitor the opportunity to call into these establishments, try excellent cask ales and maybe food offerings during the two weeks leading up to the festival itself, during and beyond.

The **CALDERDALE BEER & CIDER FESTIVAL** is already known for its quality of its cask ales, ciders & perry and its friendly welcoming all-round enjoyable atmosphere, so it was felt that this positive experience could be extended to more people. The PFMPG is all about promoting the excellence of cask ale, diversity and history of pubs in Calderdale district and its wide-ranging multitude of venues. Above all the Pre-Festival Mini Pub Guide is designed to get you the drinker and visitor out and about around the HX7 postcode exploring and discovering new places, villages, little hamlets and all they have to offer. All the pubs and bars listed are on or near a regular bus route but many can be walked to by a gentle stroll around Hebden Bridge; although some are for the more adventurous walker to undertake. It is recommended that if you are travelling to the more further afield places that you clarify opening hours before you commence your journey by using **WhatPub.com** for all the up to date information about pubs and bars in the Calder valley.

WHATPUB.COM

WhatPub.com is a web site that has a data base of over 35,000 pubs and bars covering the whole of the UK. It is a fully searchable site that the user can specify what type of establishment they are looking for; a valuable tool when visiting an area you might not know. You can search by pub name, town or district and select criteria you are looking for so maybe a pub that does food or is near the railway station, allows dogs, has real cider, live music or TV for watching sporting events, children friendly, disabled access or even accommodation. WhatPub.com can help you select your ideal venue and it is totally free to use, just download onto your smart phone or tablet device or PC.



THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Walking around Calderdale is a great way to explore the borough and breathe in some of the freshest air, with many tracks and paths going to all points of the compass. Calderdale is blessed with some of the most fantastic countryside the Southern Pennines has to offer, from secret hidden valleys to open moorland, secluded glens to forestry areas plus rivers, reservoirs and lakes. There are several local and national waymarked paths crossing the borough to others offering the rambler circular routes of varying lengths. The canals of Calderdale give an easy walking level route travelling through open countryside alternating with industrial sites offering the walker a snapshot of life past and present along the route of this once important artery towards Calderdale's prosperity. Plus, with a goodly amount of canal/countryside inns throughout the borough, a quality cask ale and a bite to eat are not far away.



PUBLIC TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The Calder valley is very well served by public transport with regular bus and train services, with most areas being at least on or near access to regular bus services. Plus, with a range of off peak and saver tickets available, getting around the valley doesn't have to be an expensive business, but as with any public transport please check with operators before you start your journey. By using public transport, you can combine the experience of visiting the town of Hebden bridge and its surrounding villages and discover pubs you may not have visited before and find quality real ales on your travels.



There are regular bus and train services that go in and out of Hebden Bridge. Train services are run by Northern Railway and travel between Leeds - Manchester and Blackpool - York, all services call in to Hebden Bridge station, which is only a short 10-minute stroll from the town centre, there are also connecting services to other parts of Yorkshire and Lancashire via stations on these main routes.

First Bus operates the majority of main services in the Calder valley but many of the outlying villages and hamlets are served by a variety of small bus companies so please check before you travel on these buses as some saver tickets/passes are not always valid on these smaller companies' buses.



For up to date information on public transport in

West Yorkshire

www.wymetro.com

Metro line (local travel) 0113245 7676





CAMRA Halifax and Calderdale Branch (Campaign for Real Ale) is part of an independent, voluntary organisation campaigning for real ale, community pubs and consumer rights. Currently CAMRA has around 195,000 members in Britain and across the world and has been described as the most successful consumer campaign in Europe

CAMRA supports well-run pubs as the centres of community life – whether in a rural or urban area - and believe their continued existence plays a critical social role in the UK's culture. CAMRA also supports the pub as the place in which to consume real ale (also known as cask-conditioned beer, or cask ale) and try to one of the over 7,000 different beers now produced across the UK by over 1,700 different breweries.

CAMRA is financed by membership subscriptions, sales of books and merchandise and proceeds from national and local beer festivals. CAMRA is a not for profit company, limited by guarantee.

Activity locally is organised by the **CAMRA Halifax & Calderdale** – This branch organises the **Calderdale Beer and Cider Festival** – which is the flagship event in the Branch calendar. Other main branch activities are- nomination of pubs and then surveying those pubs / bars for potential selection to go into the Good Beer Guide, the National Campaign's flagship publication, now in its 46th edition. (out mid September 2018), We also nominate and vote for the pub or bar that is making an outstanding contribution to promotion of cask ales and pub going locally (on a seasonal basis) Of course, it's not all official stuff. Yes, we do hold Branch and open Committee meetings on a monthly basis and we also hold sub-meetings of groups of members who wish to be involved in more in-depth branch activities like the web site or beer festival steering group, to name just two.

Socially we have a committee member whose sole mission is to organise a wide range of social events and activities. These range from visiting pubs by area doing 'research' of course, public transport rambles, inter-branch socials (meeting up with fellow members from different parts of the UK), brewery visits and tastings plus being a member gives you the opportunity to volunteer at any CAMRA beer festival throughout Great Britain. So why not visit our web page and see just what we organise and campaign for in and around Calderdale? Membership costs from just £25.00 per year and offers a whole host of benefits.

THE CAMPAIGN FOR REAL ALE.

CAMRA is Britain's largest single-issue consumer group and acts as a powerful voice promoting well-run community pubs, real ale and consumer rights

PULLING TOGETHER TO PROTECT PUBS AND PINTS !

People from all walks of life join CAMRA, they are brought together by a love of real ale, the traditions of the great British pub, and a desire to protect them and more.

PINTS, CAMRA, ACTION!

CAMRA has been protecting the tradition of great British pubs and everything that goes with them for over 45 years. CAMRA has helped save hundreds of pubs, along with getting real ale back in the hands of pub goers across the land! We, the beer drinkers friend have also secured cuts in beer duty and pressured government to establish a Pubs Code

THINKING OF JOINING CAMRA?

visit www.camra.org.uk/joinup for more information and joining instructions.

www.hxcalderdalecamra.org.uk for information on the Branch and its activities

MEMBERSHIP of CAMRA includes:

- Special offers on entry to over 200 Beer Festivals
- The exclusive monthly newspaper – What's Brewing and the quarterly Beer Magazine
- Discounts on CAMRA's books including the best-selling Good Beer Guide.
- The Real Ale Discount Scheme where you receive discounts on pints at participating pubs.
- £20 of Wetherspoons vouchers (for new members only) and a chance to share great pints with great people in the great British pub

THE GREAT BRITISH PUB.

The Great British pub is unique. Its rooted in our islands' history, dating back from Roman and Saxon times, with names that commemorate from monarchs to tradesmen, lords and ladies, battles, ships, planes, games, literary and sporting heroes. Pub is shorthand for public house. It welcomes all-comers regardless of background or income. There's no better place for people to meet, enjoy a beer and strike up a conversation. Most importantly, the pub is the glue that holds many communities together, close a pub and the local community soon suffers its loss. Above all the British pub ancient and modern has character and atmosphere. Calderdale is a Real Ale heaven when it comes to our nation's favourite drink and has a rich heritage of diverse establishments to drink in, whether you are looking for the hidden away rural gem, that quirky pub laden with historical interest or the vibrant modern town centre bar, Calderdale has it all, many of our pubs are of regional or national historical and architectural importance.



On the following pages is a selection of pubs and bars within the HX7 post code. This obviously covers the town of Hebden Bridge, but it also covers the districts of Mytholmroyd, Heptonstall, Colden, Widdop, Cragg Vale, Pecket Well and Old Town.

HEBDEN BRIDGE CENTRAL

ALBERT 1-3 Albert Street HX7 8AH. Recently -refurbished street corner local with a single long bar, three distinct drinking areas and cold food from a deli counter at the end of the bar. Six rotating ales from the Admiral Taverns list (national and regional brewers) plus occasional guests from the SIBA list.

CALAN'S MICROPUB 3 The Courtyard, Bridge Gate HX7 8EX. Calderdale's first micro-pub has a cosy, welcoming atmosphere, books, newspapers and games and a small outside drinking area. Five rotating ales from independent brewers all over the UK, always including a dark beer, plus one or two ciders or perries – the latter on gravity dispense.

CROWN. Crown Street HX7 8EH. Large single room street corner pub set slightly below street level and has four rotating guest ales, one of which is from Moorhouse's. Food is cooked to order and the pub has 8 en-suite letting rooms.

DRINK? 15 Market Street HX7 6EU. This micro-pub is combined with the bottle shop of the same name. The small bar is situated in the back room and drinks can be taken through into the front room or upstairs to the quieter and more comfortable lounge. 2 rotating real ales from independent breweries and at least 1 cider or perry.

FOX & GOOSE 9 Heptonstall Road HX7 6AZ. West Yorkshire's first community-owned co-operative pub has a welcoming, convivial, friendly atmosphere with a roaring real fire in winter. Live music, both spontaneous and arranged, often happens in the left-hand room. 6 ever-changing beers from independent brewers, one of which is always a dark ale, and at least one cider or perry, which is on gravity dispense.

NIGHTJAR New Road HX7 8AD. Compact modern micro-pub next to the cinema, which serves as the Nightjar Brew Co Brewery Tap. Three handpumps serve one or two Nightjar beers plus one or two guests. Food consists of snacks like nuts, beans and scratchings

OLD GATE 1-5 Old Gate HX7 8JP. Smart, modern bar-restaurant spread over two floors with an impressively long copper-topped bar downstairs. The big windows and outside terrace are good for people-watching as Hebden's diverse population and visitors pass outside! Food served all day. 9 rotating guest ales and 1 cider.

RAILWAY 12 New Road HX7 8AD. Friendly terraced locals' pub opposite the canal basin with a single bar and three distinct drinking areas with real fires in winter. Wells Bombardier and 4 rotating guest ales. Large TV showing mainly sporting events. A rare outlet for Castle Rock Harvest pale.

SHOULDER OF MUTTON Bridge Gate HX7 8EX. Right in the centre of the action in the pedestrianised St George's Square, this friendly, modernised early 19th century pub has an outside terrace which is great for people-watching on a fine day. Food served lunchtimes and evenings. Saltaire Blonde and 3 guests.

STUBBING WHARF Stubbing Drive King Street HX7 6LU. Between the River Calder and the Rochdale Canal at the West end of town, this fine old inn dating from 1800 is nowadays food-led, but drinkers are still made welcome. Food is served all day. Timothy Taylor Landlord, 3 or 4 guest beers and up to 4 ciders and perries, which are served by gravity.

TRADES CLUB Holme Street HX7 8EE. The upstairs bar of Hebden's world-famous social club and live music venue is nowadays open to all comers without restriction. Excellent, good value Asian food served from 4 till 8 on Monday – Friday evenings. Stod Fold Gold and two guests, which tend to be rather strong, plus a guest cider or perry.

VOCATION & CO. 10 New Road HX7 8AD. Newly-opened modern, minimalist single room Vocation Brewery Tap serving four cask beers through modern taps at the left-hand end of a row of craft keg taps. Usually two Vocation beers plus two guests. Mexican food available.

WHITE LION Bridge Gate HX7 8EX. Hebden's oldest pub – and oldest building apart from the packhorse bridge – dates from 1657 and has been extended and modernised to become a smart, comfortable, upmarket inn with a single bar, a roaring log fire and several cosy side rooms. Food is served lunchtimes and evenings. Up to 6 cask ales are available.

WHITE SWAN 26 Bridge Gate HX7 8EX. Refurbished traditional town centre local opposite the old packhorse bridge with two distinct drinking areas and food served at lunchtimes. Up to 5 rotating beers, and 1 cider entertainment in this pub usually consists of live music and occasional quizzes.

OLD TOWN/HEPTONSTALL/PECKET WELL /COLDEN/WIDDOP

HARE & HOUNDS (Old Town) Lane Ends HX7 8TN. This historic country pub is on the old road out of Hebden Bridge in Old Town. The pub offers up to seven beers from Timothy Taylors and serves meals from lunchtime to late evenings at weekends. Pub only opens and serves food in the evening on weekdays, but all day weekends. B & B is available.

WADSWORTH COMMUNITY CENTRE (Old Town) Billy lane HX7 8RY. This well used community centre is situated high above Hebden Bridge and is home to a bowling green. The well stocked bar has two hand-pumps serving two regular rotating ales sourced from local breweries. The club has restricted opening hours so please check before traveling

ROBIN HOOD (Pecket Well) Keighley Road HX7 8QN. This fine example of a traditional road side inn dates back to the early 19th century. It serves Taylor's Landlord, Tetley's and a guest and has real cider on draught. The pub is situated on a busy junction to Old Town and the local bus services stop outside the pub

WHITE LION (Heptonstall) 58 Town Lane HX7 7NB. This very popular pub in the centre of historic Heptonstall has a range of up to 6 cask ales and traditional ciders on draught. It has open log fires in winter and hosts a range of music events during the week

CROSS INN (Heptonstall) Town Gate HX7 7NB. This Grade II listed pub was originally built in 1617 on the site of a much older premises with further additions to the building over the years. The stonework at the front of the building is Victorian. Inside, the style is traditional but bright, smart and comfortable with a semi-open plan. Serves up to 3 cask ales

NEW DELIGHT (Colden) Jack Bridge HX7 7HT. The Newdy as its known locally is the brewery tap for Bridestones Brewery with usually two of their range of beers on the bar plus up to 3 other guest ales. Good value food is available early evening, the pub also has a campsite with regular buses stopping outside the pub.

PACK HORSE (Widdop) Widdop Road HX7 7AT. This converted and whitewashed 17th century laithe farmhouse is known locally as 'The Ridge'. Set in a beautiful and remote location close to the Pennine Way, Popular with walkers and diners, serves up to 4 cask ales, it is highly regarded for the quality and hearty portions of its food. A summer week-end only bus service runs to the pub from Hebden Centre

MYTHOLMROYD/CRAGG VALE

DUSTY MILLER (Mytholmroyd) Burnley Road HX7 5DR. The Dusty as it is known locally is an 17th century coaching inn with a rich local history. Up to 4 cask ales available and has a large car park at the rear. Local bus services stop right outside the pub.

LIBERTINE (Mytholmroyd) 17 Burnley Road HX7 5DR. This small unpretentious looking micro bar is right on the main road frontage is now a must visit place for the drinker with up to 2 cask ales available plus traditional cider.

AUX DELICES (Mytholmroyd) 15 Burnley Road HX7 5LH. This cosy one roomed bar is an extension to the bistro next door on the main road. The venue is only open evenings, Wednesday to Saturday, mainly for dining but does have a range of up to two cask ales available.

SHOULDER OF MUTTON (Mytholmroyd) 38 New Road HX7 5DZ. Situated 250 metres along the B6138 from the main Burnley road. This village pub has a strong community feel with excellent value home cooked food available lunchtimes and evenings, up to 5 cask ales plus real cider available. Handy for Mytholmroyd railway station being only 200 metres away.

ROBIN HOOD (Cragg Vale) Cragg Road HX7 5SQ. This compact and welcoming pub offers the drinker two Timothy Taylor's cask ales and up to 3 guests ales. Food is served Friday to Sunday, buses pass outside the pub with a regular service to Hebden Bridge. Real cider is sometimes available.

HINCHLIFFE ARMS (Cragg Vale) Church lane HX7 5TA. This tucked out of the way pub is a real joy to the drinker with lots of ales on offer. Food is dominant and can get very busy at weekends - booking advisable. The pub is 100 metres down from Cragg road which has regular buses to Hebden Bridge

BREWERIES WITH BARS.

NIGHTJAR BREW CO (Mytholmroyd) Caldene Business Park HX7 5QJ. This is the brewery bar located within the brewery. It is only open Fridays 3 till 7pm has two of their beers available. Regular buses stop outside the business park site.

PROTECTING HISTORIC PUB INTERIORS.

Since the 1960s, few pub interiors have escaped major change. Over many years, CAMRA's Pub Heritage Group has worked hard to identify and record those pubs which retain traditional interiors or have rooms or features of national importance. The most intact and precious of these interiors – currently 265 – are listed on our National Inventory of Historic Pub Interiors. A second tier – the Regional Inventories of Historic Pub Interiors – records interiors which, though more altered, still have significant historic and architectural value. We campaign to protect historic pub interiors in a variety of ways.



We stimulate interest in them through books, articles and the website. We seek statutory listing for the pubs as this gives them extra planning protection. Where pubs are closed and on the market we try to find new, sympathetic owners by contacting local breweries and other pub owners. We work with like-minded bodies, who share our commitment to historic buildings. Finally, where necessary, we lead on campaigns to save particular pubs which are under active threat. Full details of the Inventories, along with much more information about historic pub interiors and the work of Pub Heritage Group, can be found on the Heritage Pubs website – pubheritage.camra.org.uk

PUBS AND WELLBEING - FRIENDS ON TAP.

Nothing is more significant, both to our lives and to the national economy, than our health and happiness. The more friends you have, the happier and healthier you are. While 40% of people in the UK now typically socialise with friends in someone's home, a third of the population prefer to do so in pubs, and regard pubs as a safe place to meet friends.



Pubs, and small community pubs in particular, provide a safe environment in which to meet old and new friends face to face over a drink. The pub offers an enriching environment where we have the opportunity to meet a greater diversity of people from all walks of life than we might otherwise be able to do. People who said they have a 'local' or those who patronise small community pubs have more close friends on whom they can depend for support, are more satisfied with their lives and feel more embedded in their local communities than those who said they do not have a local pub.

Friendships are created and maintained mainly by face-to-face interaction, even in the internet age and small community pubs are more likely to be 'beer-based' and less likely to be 'wine/spirit-based'. People in community pubs typically consume less alcohol than those in large city centre pubs. There is evidence that modest alcohol consumption improves both cognitive ability and some (but not all) aspects of health directly and indirectly (by allowing us to meet face-to-face), modest alcohol consumption also enables us to build friendships and create a sense of community, and there is considerable evidence that social network size and quality has dramatic effects on health, wellbeing, happiness and even survival. "Friends on Tap" extracts were taken from "The role of pubs at the heart of the community" is a report prepared for CAMRA by Professor Robin Dunbar, of the Department of Experimental Psychology, University of Oxford.



A BIT MORE ABOUT THE HALIFAX AND CALDERDALE CAMRA BRANCH

Halifax and Calderdale CAMRA Branch covers the geographical area of Calderdale metropolitan borough and is one of 200 branches throughout the UK. The Branch holds regular monthly meetings, branch which are open to any member from any branch in the UK, committee which are open to Calderdale Branch members only.

We hold quarterly our 'Pub of the Season' award. This is given to those pubs which are judged to have made an outstanding contribution to cask ale to furthering the support of cask ale drinking. Qualifying pubs are nominated by individual members and voted upon by members who attend the tri-monthly voting meeting, with an overall winner selected, then an award (certificate and banner), presented shortly afterwards. We also hold an annual Presentation of our 'Pub of the Year' (plus Cider & Perry Pub of the Year and Club of the Year awards) with certificates given out to the winner and to runners up in each category.



We hold Good Beer Guide surveying and selection meetings with winning entries notified in September when the new edition of the guide is released. The branch holds other regular meetings on various topics, like the Calderdale Beer and Cider Festival organising group, web site and branch magazine production.



Other branch official/social outings include visiting those breweries from the 'beer of the festival' winners, as voted by the visiting customers at the festival over the three days that we are open, which results in having specially organised trips and presentations to these winning breweries, with outings to North Yorkshire, East Yorkshire, West Yorkshire, Northumberland, Lancashire and even Scotland recently.

On the more social side of the branch activities we have held in the last 12 months, activities ranging from public transport pub visits (research of course and also gives members the opportunity to visit pubs that are in some of the more over looked areas of the branch). Coach trip socials, visiting other areas of the UK and visits to beer festivals around Yorkshire, Lancashire, Tyneside and further afield.



Of course it not all about sitting in pubs. The journey to them is just as important which is why the branch promotes using public transport as much as possible and on long summer evenings walking to or in-between pubs is actively encouraged and with this aim in mind, we organise our annual walking social or CAMRAmble.

The CAMRAmble(s) are walks around some of the lovely countryside that surrounds Calderdale, with a pub stop or two included, with many members organising their own walking groups. Other vital branch activities are the regular visits by tasting panel members to breweries within the branch area (to taste and score beers they produce) and finally we have had several joint 'inter-branch' socials with other branches that surround Calderdale with Leeds, Bradford, Rochdale, Oldham & Bury and Manchester Central branch within the last 12 months. These joint socials allow members to communicate with like minded members, share their experiences, knowledge and ideas, with some local members making the annual trip to the CAMRA National Members Weekend and AGM held at different venues throughout the country, where members vote on CAMRA national policy, attend discussion groups, hear guest speakers and shape the future direction of the campaign. Plus of course attend the beer festival on the conference site and have the opportunity to visit pubs and bars in a different parts of the country secure in the knowledge that you are in good company of like minded individuals with passion for our nations favourite drink—Beer!



So as you have read the branch does organise a wide range of events plus a busy and active social life. Its not all stuffy meetings so why not come along and see what we are all about?

CASK ALE WEEK 20th - 30th: SEPTEMBER 2018

Ten days (and nights) when the UK celebrates the nation's favourite drink - Cask Ale. So with so many styles of drink from- Golden Ales, Mild, Bitters, Best Bitters, Porters, Strong Bitters, Strong Milds and Old Ales, Stouts, Barley Wines & Strong Old Ales and Speciality Beers. So whatever your type of cask ale, visit your friendly local pub or bar and get supping, or why not join us at the Calderdale Beer and Cider Festival at the beautiful Hebden Bridge Town Hall? 50 cask ales available with some being brewed and then served direct from wooden casks and of course a selection of real ciders and perries. New for this year is the breakout room (The Space) where we are organising three special events, (all are free to attend once inside the festival hall), on the Saturday daytime. Beer tasting with a Great British Beer Festival, Champion Beer of Britain Judge and two guest speakers from Leeds and Merseyside. So, please why not come along to the festival on the Saturday 29th September and grab your seat (limited spaces for the free beer tastings)? So get visiting those pubs and bars of Calderdale and toast the continuing health of the nation's drink - Cask ale



For more details about our beer festival go to our branch web site or our Facebook and twitter





CALDERDALE BEER & CIDER FESTIVAL 2018



HEBDEN BRIDGE TOWN HALL

ST GEORGE'S STREET
HEBDEN BRIDGE HX7 7BY

SEPTEMBER

27-29th 2018

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**THERE WILL BE 50 + BEERS, CIDERS & PERRIES FROM THE NORTH AND
FROM AROUND THE UK.**

THURSDAY 2 pm - 10 pm

FRIDAY 11 am - 11 pm

SATURDAY 11 am - 5.30 pm

SATURDAY 5.30 pm - 10 pm

CAMRA Members Free - Non-members £1.00

CAMRA Members £1.00 - Non-members £2.00

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Free to All

Ales ordered from breweries only. Over 40 breweries represented.

Commissioned and new festival brews.

Some beers served from and matured in wooden casks.

Pay on the door. Glass hire only £1.00 (fully refundable).

Hot & cold food available.

Entertainment Thursday evening.

Optional activities in 'The Space' on Saturday afternoon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION VISIT www.hxcalderdalecamra.org.uk

This year we will be having talks and presentations in The Space room upstairs BEER TASTINGS with one of the top beer tasting experts from the GBBF (Great British Beer Festival) plus two guest speakers, one from Leeds and one from Liverpool these events are free to attend once inside the festival hall (advance booking is required for the beer tastings as places are limited).