

A dozen or more of the best pubs in Peterborough

1. Brewery Tap, 80 Westgate, PE1 2AA. Normally 12 beers including plenty of Oakham and a small range of dark beers. Thai food served all day. LocAle pub. 20p CAMRA discount per pint
2. Bumble Inn Micro-Pub(opening Mid-June). Westgate, PE1 1RE. Several real ales promised.
3. Ostrich, 17 North Street, PE1 2RA This was once called Bogarts but is now under new ownership. Beer range varies. LocAle pub.
4. Drapers Arms, 29-31 Cowgate, PE1 1LZ Wetherspoons where the boss is keen on real ale and CAMRA. Ten handpumps. LocAle pub. Food served all day
5. Sir Henry Royce, Broadway, PE1 1TA. Was a Yates's. 4 handpumps, food served all day 10% CAMRA discount
6. College Arms, Broadway, PE1 1RS Wetherspoons. Ten handpumps, Food served all day.
7. Hand & Heart, 12 Highbury Street, PE1 3BE Currently run by CAMRA branch member Paul Brammer. Range varies but expect something interesting. LocAle pub.
8. Cherry Tree, 9 Oundle Road, PE2 9PB. Varying beer range. LocAle pub.
9. Palmerston Arms, 82 Oundle Road, PE2 9PA Six to 12 beers available on gravity from the cellar behind the bar. Batemans plus guests. Top quality ale. LocAle pub.
10. Swiss Cottage, 2 Grove Street, PE2 9AG Up to three real ales often served direct from the cellar. LocAle pub.
11. Coalheavers Arms, 5 Park Street, PE2 9BH Up to eight beers. Milton plus guests.
12. Charters, Town Bridge, PE1 1EH Normally 10 to 12 beers including some Oakham and many guests from micros. LocAle pub. 20p CAMRA discount per pint. Food served all day.
13. The Crown, Lincoln Road, PE1 3HD. Four handpumps, often a LocAle. Real ale night on Mondays - £2.50 a pint
14. The Ploughman, Werrington Centre, PE4 6NA. A surprising estate pub. Ten handpumps, always some LocAle. Often features a £2 pint special.

Buses from Queensgate Bus Station:

Bay 7 for Routes 6, 7 and 46 along London Road for the Coalheavers Arms. Ask for Park Street. The bus will bear right at the traffic lights just after the football ground on the left. Press the bell once past the lights.

Bay 3 for Route 1 along Oundle Road for the Cherry Tree and Swiss. Ask for the Cherry Tree. The bus bears right at the traffic lights just after Charters. Watch for the stop just after you go under the railway bridge and press the bell once you have passed it. Alternatively ask for the Palmerston Arms and press the bell as soon as you pass it on the left.

Bay 14 for Route 1 along Lincoln Road for the Hand & Heart. Ask for Cambridge Avenue. Press the bell as soon as you see Highbury Street or the Lebanese Restaurant on the right or the New Punjab Balti House on the left. The Crown is half-a-mile further along, ask for Burmer Road. The Ploughman is 4 miles from the city centre. Ask for Werrington Centre.

(For return trips, a £4 day-rider ticket is probably the best bet, but ask the driver)