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Festival, the Concrete Pint 2011, was a massive success, and that this was, in no small measure, thanks to our outstanding new venue. 1538 people, more than double the numbers from last year, came to our superb new central location at The Buszy opposite Milton Keynes Central station. Over four days from 12th to 15th October they drank their way through 5472 pints of beer, cider and perry; emergency supplies of all three had to be sourced on Saturday morning to make good the depredations of the night before!

Beer Moos is delighted to announce that the 18th Milton Keynes Beer

The festival ended at 10:55pm on the Saturday night when the last 6 pints were given away, making the event a total sell-out despite a bigger selection of beers than in recent previous years. The Beer of the Festival, as voted by our customers, was Brodie's Hackney Red IPA from a small brewery in Leyton, east London.

Forty CAMRA members staffed the festival, all of them volunteering their time for free. Attendees visited from all corners of the UK, and our customers included celebrities such as DI and presenter to Whiley and comedian Harry Enfield, as well as Milton Keynes South MP Iain Stewart.

Drinkers were entertained by several live groups, and there was also a two-hour live broadcast on MKFM radio. We received much favourable comment about our new festival website keeping customers up to date on on what beers were available, and next year we hope to add a Twitter feed.

Festival organiser Doug Dillow said: 'All the hard work was worthwhile due to the fantastic feedback about all aspects of the festival this year. We are already looking at planning next years' event....even bigger and better!

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Danny Quinn (right) receives the first pint from Doug Dillow at the Concrete Pint 2011

Customers of Concrete Pint Beer Festival 2011 may have wondered who were our hosts at the Buszy, our new venue. The answer is - MAD.

That name is an acronym for Make-a-Difference, a community interest company whose aim is to provide positive activities for young people between ages 13 and 25. For those unfamiliar with the concept, a

community interest company has no shareholders, and operates rather like a charity but without trustees.

MAD supports young people doing volunteering – looking after the elderly, for example. It also helps young people set up and run their own projects, such as homework clubs. It also supplies volunteer stewards for gigs at the National Bowl and similar events.

MAD receives no funding from central or local government. Its sole current source of income is hirings of Buszy which is available for weddings, parties, business presentations, even the occasional beer festival! All money raised from hirings goes back into MAD who reckon that every £1 raised saves £7 in avoided social costs. MAD leases the former bus-station building from a gango called Homes and Community Agency (HCA).

Buszy is managed by Danny Quinn, son of Sue Quinn, who CAMRA members may remember was the Madcap in Wolverton's friendly manager in the good far-off days when the Concrete Pint was welcomed there.

Milton Keynes and North Bucks CAMRA branch is delighted that the rent we pay to hold our beer festival at The Buszy goes to support such good causes. We look forward to many years of happy association with this excellent organisation.

For more information and for hiring The Buszy visit www.mad-uk.org or www.thebuszy.com or call 01908 231312.

#### **Booze Bus to Buckingham**

Milton Keynes drinkers may be interested to know that the X5 Oxford coach now stops in Buckingham town centre, making visits to Buckingham pubs much easier and more practicable. And of course Arriva number 32 has always stopped there.'

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The next issue of Beer Moos will be published on: February 20th. We must have your stories, news and advertisements by: February 8th. Late copy cannot be guaranteed entry.

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### **Pub News**

#### **NEWS NORTH**

Cock, Hanslope Sarah Tomkins, whose family have run a butchery business in Hanslope for many years, has bought the freehold and the pub is now a free house. Great Oakley beers are often on sale, and Sarah has been advised by Keith, formerly of the Red House, Newport Pagnell. We wish Sarah every success in this her new yenture.

**Globe, Hanslope** The Globe has reopened after extensive refurbishment under new management. Though ale is still for sale, the stress is now on Italian-themed food..

Watts Arms, Hanslope now lists on its website the real ales currently on sale at its bar www.thewattsarms.co.uk Beer Moos thinks more pubs should do this. The Watts hosted a very successful beer festival in early November with 15 ales, 2 ciders, and a perry.

#### **News East**

**Robin Hood, Clifton Reynes** is offering special themed menu nights every Thursday in November. For up to the minute details visit www.therobinhoodpub.co.uk or phone 01234 711574.



Swan, Olney has been voted our branch's Autumn 2011 Pub of the Season. Beer Moos congratulates landlady Sue Blacklock and her cellarman son Oli on winning this well-deserved award.

White Hart, Stoke Goldington still had a 'for sale' displayed when our spy last drove past.

#### **News West**

George Winslow. Beer Moos welcomes landlady Debbie Binyon and her family to this Marston's house, superbly located on the Market Square in the middle of Winslow. and wishes her all the best.



**Grand Junction, Buckingham** has been refurbished and renamed Thirteen High Street but doesn't appear to sell real ale.

**New Inn, Buckingham** is still closed and looking for a tenant. Beer Moos hopes that this characterful pub will open its doors again before too long.

**Three Cups, Buckingham** was serving two Vale beers on handpump when our spy looked in.

Villiers Hotel, Buckingham is Cask Marque-accredited and had four ales on handpump when Beer Moos called.

Whale, Buckingham has had a makeover and is under new management. Beer Moos welcomes new licensees Cliff & Kim Thirkettle, and wishes them a successful tenure in this town-centre Fullers house.

**Woolpack, Buckingham** will host a Winter Ale festival from Friday Dec 2nd until the beers run out.

#### **News South**

**Dolphin, Stoke Hammond** was up for lease when our spy passed by.



Old Green Man, Little Brickhill has new guv'nors in Pat and Lesley O'Dowd. They are offering Greene King IPA and Abbot, and one other tied Guest Ale, ample portions of good pub grub, darts and Northamptonshire skittles teams.

Beer Moos wishes them every success in this large, well-appointed Greene King tenanted house.

**Old Swan, Bletchley** has live music on Sat Dec 17th. from 9pm. Details from Chris on 01908 372926

Plough, Simpson has new licensees after a twoweek closure. Beer Moos wishes outgoing tenants Ian and Claire good luck, and welcomes Antonio and Gabriella to what was our Autumn 2010 Pub of the Season

Wheatsheaf, Bow Brickhill Beer Moos welcomes new licensees Simon and Denise to our branch area and wishes them a successful tenure of this village pub.

#### **News Central**

Cross Keys Woolstone had a successful cider festival in November and is planning a beer festival in December.

Victoria Inn, Bradwell Village Father-and-son team John and John Wigglesworth have taken over this real-ale stronghold. See opposite article.

Note to Licensees. If you have news from your pub that you'd like to go in the next Pub News, please send details to the editor by February 20th. Tell us what you've got planned for February to May, and report on events that happened earlier. Remember - if you don't tell us about it, we can't print it.

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# New Brooms at the Old Vic



The Victoria Inn in Bradwell Village has long been a favourite with real-ale lovers. Under the care of the Davies family, first son Dean then father Dave, this Enterprise Inns

house has been a fixture in the Good Beer Guide, and in 2009 was chosen as our Pub of the Year.

Earlier this year, Dave Davies retired, and John Wigglesworth and his son, also called John, took command at the Victoria. Beer Moos went to meet them.

After 35 years with the Post Office, John, who's 54 and originally from Manchester, wanted a fresh challenge doing something relevant to a community, and running a pub seemed an ideal way to achieve this. The younger John had been playing football in Bradwell, and father and son first encountered the Vic through that. Then the tenancy came up for sale and, with a 20-year secure lease safely signed, on 30 May the family moved in.

John hopes to place greater emphasis on food than before, but without in any way neglecting the ale, and promises to keep the Vic a true regular's pub, firmly rooted in and serving its community. Other plans include opening the back bar and installing satellite TV for football, extending opening hours, and encouraging use of carry-outs. He also means to make more use of the garden – perhaps selling ice cream and soft drinks there.

John's hobbies are restoring old cars, allotment gardening, and keeping tropical marine invertebrates. He gets much help from his regulars, though he's noticed that they divide into lager-drinkers and ale-drinkers with little crossover between them. Despite his beer-tie he's able to offer LocAles such as Concrete Cow, Hopping Mad, Whittlebury, and Tring. It seems his ale-drinking regulars like to see changes rung!

John hopes the family will have a long-term future at the Vic. Beer Moos wishes them every success.



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### **CAMRA and Other News**

#### **Local Cider Award Presentation**



In the last issue of Beer Moos we celebrated Laurence Conisbee, our local Virtual Orchard cider-maker, winning CAMRA's National Gold Cider award for his Hard Core cider. Here Laurence shows his certificate after the official presentation at the Great British Beer Festival at Earl's Court in August.

### **Steppingley Beer and Curry festival 2011**

This was so enjoyable last year that this year we hired a mini-coach for this one-day event at the Drover's Arms, Steppingley on September 17th. There were 30 real ales, mostly from micro-breweries, and a choice of ciders, perries, and wines to help wash down the delicious curries. This event is a fund-raiser to maintain the Village Hall and support other community events in the village.

### Britain's biggest showcase of winter beers returns!

If you're looking for an excuse to shake off the cold and damp of winter, pay a visit to CAMRA's National Winter Ales Festival from January 18th – 21st at Manchester's Sheridan Suite.

With over 300 winter warmers, the festival is the biggest showcase of its kind in Britain. There will be English and Indian food to accompany the beer, and live music on the Saturday. Judging for the Champion Winter Beer of Britain takes place on the opening day.

For more information visit www.alefestival.org.uk Virgin trains offer low advance-booked fares from Milton Keynes. The Sheridan Suite is on Oldham Road just north of central Manchester, on good bus routes.

#### Crawl with Us?

Everyone loves a really good pub crawl, and Beer Moos can recommend two excellent ones this winter. Would you like to join us?

On December 17 we enjoy our yearly Christmas

crawl in Northampton. We meet at the Malt Shovel in Bridge Street (opposite Carlsberg) at noon and finish there later.

Then on January 14 we join all the branches in CAMRA's Central Southern Region for a seven-pub London crawl. Starting at 12 noon in Holborn, we sup our way to the Euston Tap so you only have a short stagger to your train back to MK.

You can do join or leave us at any point – just call or text 07899 980307 (on the day only please!) to find out which of these pub we're in.

Cittie of Yorke, 22 High Holborn WC1V 6BN (Chancery Lane Tube) (Sam Smiths)

The Enterprise, 38 Red Lion Street WC1R 4PN (beer range varies)

The Lamb, 94 Lamb's Conduit Street WC1N 3LZ (Wells and Youngs)

Lord John Russell. 91-93 Marchmont Street WC1N 1AL (beer range varies)

Mabel's Tavern, 9 Mabledon Place, WC1H 9AZ (Shepherd Neame)

Bree Louise, 69 Cobourg St, NW1 2HH (beer range varies)

Euston Tap and Cider Tap, 190 Euston Road, NW1 2EF (beer range varies)

### **Bone but not Dry!**

Scientists at Cambridge University have discovered that drinking beer in moderate amounts helps to prevent bone loss and encourages growth of new bone.

That's because the malt used to make beer is a rich source of silicon, a mineral better known for its role in electronics, but which is a vital trace element for bone health. Like all living tissues, bone is constantly being lost and renewed, and silicon is vital for this to happen. A pint of ale contains about a third of the daily recommended dose, and real ale, apparently, is the beer richest in silicon. The alcohol in beer is also believed to slow down bone loss.

This, of course, is not a prescription for drinking to excess. But a pint of beer a day may well guard you against osteoporosis in the future. And, unlike all too many medicines, taking this one is actually a pleasure!

### Fuller's Earth and full of ale - a drinker's public

For our second public transport guide, we're letting the train take the strain, although a combination of bus routes will also get you to the pubs mentioned. At 16.5 miles long, the Marston Vale line is a short east-west link between Bedford and Bletchley. It cuts through an area rich in mineral resources; the scars on the landscape and the place names reflecting the raw materials and the products produced. There are four stations on the line within our branch area, putting 15 varied pubs within your reach.



We start at the most easterly point, Woburn Sands, where you'll find the **Station Hotel** (above) along-side the station. One small room is taken up by a pool table and can be served from hatch in the corridor. The main area of the pub contains a curved bar, with the main dining area towards the rear. The pub is well known for its breakfasts, with fish 'n' chips suppers featuring towards the weekend. Beers tend to be from regional breweries, with LocAles showing up on occasion. The pub's regulars tend to set the beer choice, but you never know exactly what to expect.

For the other pubs in Woburn Sands hop on a bus for a few minutes or take a 20 minute stroll to the centre of the village. You'll pass the Weathercock on the way, but it isn't on our patch as the branch boundary runs down the centre of the road. The same goes for the Fir Tree Hotel, a good Wells and Young's house and the Greene King tied Royal Oak to the south of the village centre.

The Swan is one of ours though, a much extended building on a busy corner, offering up to four ales. Once again it is the regional breweries that domi-

nate, with Adnams frequently being the most unusual offering. The pub has a modern stylish interior mainly catering for their food trade, so it can be standing room only when things get busy.

If you are feeling energetic, there are a variety of fairly long walking options to get to our next pub. However, the number 17 bus will take you to the door, or use Bow Brickhill station which is a 10 minute amble from the pub. The Wheatsheaf (below) nestles discreetly amongst the houses, tucked back from the road a little with only its signage to give it away. There are two spacious rooms served by a single long bar. The two hand pulls offer Young's Bitter and Eagle IPA, always in good condi-



tion. It is an oasis of calm and well worth seeking out. Next stop is Fenny Stratford, on the edge of Bletchley's urban sprawl. It boasts seven pubs in total, although neither the Maltsters Arms nor the Foundry Arms offers any real ale. Heading away from the main streets and down Lock View Lane



towards the canal, you'll quickly find the **Red Lion** (above). This hostelry was branch pub of the year in 2010 and continues to serve excellent quality beers. There are usually two to choose from with tradi-

### **ic transport guide** by Jason Jarratt

tional brown bitters being particularly popular.

A brief wander along the canal will bring you to the **Bridge Inn**, a large building with a modern interior offering Greene King IPA served from an unusual dispense. If you want to avoid the open kitchen area, head for the conservatory at the rear of the building, which also houses the pool table. Heading back towards the station along the old A5 will bring you to the **Swan Hotel**, another spacious bar although considerably less modern. Beer from Adnams is regularly available from the U-shaped bar that serves the single room. The hotel does a steady trade, keeping the bar fairly busy.

Crossing the road, a short walk along Aylesbury Street will bring you to a traditional two-roomed pub, the **Bull & Butcher**, which usually offers one or two ales. The front room is popular with locals watching sports on the TV.

Heading back towards the station again you'll find the **Chequers**. This small locals' pub is owned by Vale Brewery, so it is their ale you'll find on the pumps. Although there is only a single room, it is split into three distinct and quite cosy areas. Exit through the car park at the rear for the swiftest route back to the station.



Final stop on the line is Bletchley and the closest pub to the station is the Park, (below) down a steep set of steps and across a busy main road. The pub is in the shadow or the railway bridge and partially hidden by large trees. The interior is best described as odd - a split level bar with modern décor covering what is clearly an old building. You'll find a beer

or two tucked away at the back of the bar.

If you're looking for a bigger selection of ales, including a few surprises, take the short walk across the bus station and past the fast food outlet to the Enigma Tavern. It has the look and feel of a large housing estate pub, but braving the bland exterior



will reward you with a choice of around four ales.

The day return fare between Bletchley and Woburn Sands is £3.30, but railcard holders can get 1/3 off on Saturdays. Travel out to the furthest point and you're allowed to break your return journey as often as you like. The service runs roughly hourly, with the last train departing Bletchley at 21:01, arriving in Woburn Sands at 21:12, continuing to Bedford at 21:45. In the other direction, the last train departs Bedford at 21:56, serving Woburn Sands at 22:27 and on to Bletchley at 22:39.

There's no rail service on Sundays, but much of the route is served by buses. Use the 3 for Woburn Sands, the 8A for Bow Brickhill, and the 1 for Fenny Stratford - Bletchley is served regularly by several services. Monday to Saturday there are more bus choices, including the 17 which serves all the pubs mentioned during the day except those in Fenny Stratford.

All information correct at the time of going to press. For more info on this rail route, visit www.bbrua.org.uk.

Update to Olney area guide in Beer Moos 20: Recent timetable changes have seen peak bus services slashed on the nr 1 bus route beyond Newport Pagnell. The last return service is now as early as 21:37 from Lavendon and 16:14 on Sundays.

### **Moosings from the Chair**

I'm still on cloud nine. The Concrete Pint festival was such a great success. Twice the size of recent MK festivals. Big thanks to Doug Dillow and the beer festival committee. And to all the volunteers — a great asset to have such a good number of helpers if the festival is to grow as we'd like it to. I think it is the first of a great sequence of beer festivals to come, thanks to our fantastic new venue, The Buszy.

We've always wanted to come back to CMK ever since the National Hockey Stadium priced us out of the patch of grass we'd held our biggest festivals on. We've even made enquiries recently about erecting a marquee on Station Square, but that came to naught.

The Woughton centre was a great venue in itself, and we're very grateful to the management there for accommodating us when the Concrete Pint was homeless. Trouble is, there was no passing trade, no-one knew where it was or how to pronounce it, and a lot of people assumed it was in Woughton-on-the-Green (it's nowhere near).

The success of many town-centre beer festivals is based on having a great town-centre venue such as Bedford has enjoyed for many years at the Corn Exchange. I think we have found our equivalent venue.









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#### November 2011

Friday-Sunday November 18-20 Beer Festival at Hanslope WMC, 28 High St, MK19 7LQ Open 12-11.

Monday November 28 Branch Meeting, Kiln Farm Club ,Tilers Road, MK11 3LH at 8.15 pm

#### December 2011

Friday-Sunday December 2-4 Beer Festival at Wolverton Cricket Club, Osborne St, MK12 5HH.

- ← Friday December 9 Branch Christmas Social, Kiln Farm Club, Tilers Road, MK11 3LH at 8 pm.
- Saturday December 17 Xmas Northampton pub crawl – meet 12 noon at Malt Shovel, 121 Bridge Street NN1 1DF
- ☐ Tuesday December 20 Branch Meeting at Cannon, Newport Pagnell, 8.15 pm (NB this meeting is on Tuesday for this month only.)

#### January 2012

- Wednesday January 11 Branch Social, Rose and Crown, Silver Street, Newport Pagnell at 8 pm.
- Saturday January 14 CAMRA Central Southern Region's London Pub Crawl. Start Holborn 12 noon finish Euston Tap. Other News on page 7.
- 4 Thu Sat January 18-21 CAMRA National Winter Ale Festival, Sheridan Suite, Oldham Road, Manchester M40 8RR. (see Other News on page 7)
- Monday January 30 Branch Annual General Meeting, Old Barn, Central Milton Keynes 8 pm.

#### February 2012

Friday February 10 Branch Social, Stony Stratford Pub Crawl, meet at the Plough at 8 pm. The Plough is on the corner of Wolverton Road next to the petrol station.

- Saturday February 18 CAMRA Central Southern Regional Meeting, Fox and Hounds, Caversham, Reading RG4 8BS at 1pm.
- Saturday February 25 Annual Redway Cycle Crawl. Cyclists of all levels of proficiency welcome. PLEASE NOTE this event may be rescheduled for April, which is Community Pubs Month, so please check our website regularly for date, time, and place. www.mkcamra.org.uk

**Monday February 27.** Branch Meeting, Red Lion, Fenny Stratford at 8.15 pm

#### March 2012

Thursday March 8 Branch social, Old Swan, Astwood 8pm (provisional)

**Thursday March 22 – Sunday March 25** Our annual long weekend in Belgium, staying in Kortrijk with visit to Huyghe brewery and pub crawl by coastal tram. £245 (single supp £60) .

Places still available. For further info e-mail Doug at social@mkcamra.org.uk or phone 01604 862187,

#### Looking Ahead

— Friday - Sunday 30th March-1st April CAMRA Members' Weekend and AGM, Riviera International Centre, Torquay TQ2 5LZ.

### We need a Sec'y!

Pressure of work means that Lyn Norman, our stalwart Branch Secretary, won't be standing for re-election at the AGM in January. Would you like to be nominated as her successor?

Please let us know by phone, text or email if you're interested in taking this on. The job is not onerous, but you will be expected to attend and take accurate minutes at our meetings. Lyn will be happy to help you till you get used to things, and a CAMRA job description is available as well. You do also have to be a CAMRA member, of course.

This is a core post in the branch – we can't function without a secretary – so please let the nominations roll in. Contact any branch official on the list on page 3.

### **Have you Scored yet?**

CAMRA's National Beer Scoring System (NBSS) is an easy 0-5 point scale for judging beer quality, and to find out which pubs consistently sell well-kept ale. So we invite all real ale drinkers, not just CAMRA members, to send us their beer scores for pubs both in our area, and elsewhere in the UK. We forward scores for out-of-area pubs to the relevant branches. These results help us decide which pubs to consider for the Good Beer Guide.

E-mail your scores to us at pubs@mkcamra.org.uk, bring them to any of our meetings or social events, or submit them online at www.beerscoring.org.uk .You'll need to give your name, CAMRA Membership Number (if you're a member), Date of Survey, Pub's Name and Location, Beer Name and Brewery, and of course, your score.

<b>0</b> Undrinkable	No cask ale available, or so poor you have to take it back or can't finish it.
1 Poor	Beer that is anything from barely drinkable to drinkable with considerable resentment.
2 Average	Competently kept, drinkable pint but doesn't inspire in any way, not worth moving to another pub but you drink the beer without really noticing.
3 Good	Good beer in good form. You may cancel plans to move to the next pub. You want to stay for another pint and may seek out the beer again.
4 Very Good	Excellent beer in excellent condition.
5 Perfect	Probably the best you are ever likely to find. A seasoned drinker will award this score very rarely.



## **Peter's Puzzles**

- 1. Before it reverted to its original name of Black Horse, what was the canalside pub in Great Linford called?
- 2. How many gallons of beer are in a kilderkin?
- **3.** What is the name of the cider, made in Wolverton, which won CAMRA's gold award in 2011?
- 4. How many pubs in our branch area are called 'New Inn'?
- **5.** In a village in our branch area the local landowner built a brand-new pub. What's it called, and what is the village?
- **6.** What are Cascade, Goldings, Saaz, and Willamette, and why are they important to beer drinkers?
- 7. What was the Old English Gentleman?
- **8.** In which Bedfordshire village is an annual Beer and Curry festival held in September?
- **9.** What pub in our branch area refers in its name to a distinguished local poet?
- **10.** In how many different venues has the Concrete Pint beer festival been held?

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ANSWERS 1. The Proud Perch Z.18 3. Hard Core 4. Three - in Padbury, Buckingham, and New Bradwell 5. The Betsey Wynne at Swanbourne 6. They are all varieties of hop 7. It was the name of the pub that used to be in Nash 8. Steppingley 9. The Cowper's Oak in Weston Underwood, The poet is William Cowper of Olney (1731-1800) 10. Five – Madcap Theate, Wilton Hall, Hockey Stadium, The Pitz,

### The Red Lion

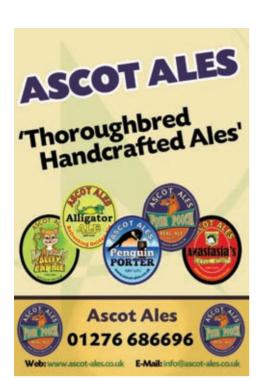
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CAMRA Branch
Pub of the Year 2010

Canalside Location

Family Pub All Welcome

3 Real Ales and 1 Real Scrumpy Available



### Nags Head

16th century thatched village pub
Voted MK Citizen Pub of The Year 2009

Good real ale selection • Cask Marque accredited

Food served all day everyday Traditional Sunday roasts all day Sunday

Sky Sports and ESPN Quiz night every Sunday at 8pm Seating Area to rear of Pub







Steve, Rachel & all our staff welcome you to our traditional style village free house

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Continually changing Specials Bound.

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#### A Real Pub for Real People.

Food served from 12:00 - 2:30 & 5:00 - 9:00 Monday - Friday, All day Saturday, Sunday 12:00 - 5:00, Booking High Recommended

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