

CAMRA Bolton Branch and its Pubs 2007

Once the last edition of What's Doing had been published there was no source of information to reference concerning the changes to the pubs in Bolton. This situation continued until the Beer Breaks magazine was reintroduced in 2012. Hence information about our pubs during this period is somewhat hard to come by.

Bolton Branch Pubs included in the 2007 Good Beer Guide were

Blackrod – Cherry Tree

Bolton – Ainsworth, Barristers, Bobs Smithy, Brooklyn, Lodge Bank Tavern, Millstone, Sweet Green Tavern

Bromley Cross – Flag

Farnworth – Britannia

Harwood – House with No Name

Horwich – Crown, Old Original Bay Horse

Westhoughton – Brinsop, Rosehill

The following pubs closed during 2007 –

City Hotel 37-39 Eskrick St, Bolton Delicensed on 30/03/07, Landlady was Gail Cull who is also listed as owner. Previously delicensed on 25/09/06 being relicensed on 13/12/06, also with Gail Cull. It did not sell cask beer at this time.

Seven Stars 62, Dove Bank, Little Lever Delicensed on 15/05/07, landlord possibly Charlene Cozens, applicant for closure Inn Trade Associates, and previously Provence Commercial Properties. Ian John Churchill (Deceased) was granted a Temporary licence on 08/04/06 7pm to 11pm. No Landlord is listed, may have closed earlier than delicensing date? It did not sell cask beer at this time.

New Pub in 2007 –

Red Bar and Grill 75-77 Market St Westhoughton, it did not sell cask beer. It was later known as Lounge Seven and now Bank.

The smoking ban in public places including pubs was introduced on July 1st, 2007. The impact on pubs proved rather controversial, depending on whether your customers were smokers or not. Customers who smoked now had to go outside the pub, but this meant that non-smokers who had previously avoided pubs could now visit, but few pubs thought that way, nor did they consider the reduced decorating charges because the walls etc were no longer getting nicotine stained. Needless

to say, any customer health benefits barely registered in the arguments. Around this time the vaping craze started.