

Camra Bolton Branch and its Pubs 2022

Bolton Branch Pubs included in the 2022 Good Beer Guide were

Bolton – Bank Top Brewery Tap, Barristers, Great Ale at the Vaults, Hen & Chickens,
Northern Monkey Bar, One for the Road,

Bromley Cross – Flag, Nook & Cranny

Harwood – House Without a Name

Horwich – Bank Top Brewery Ale House, Brewery Bar, Crown, Tap & Cork

Westhoughton – Beer School, Brewery Tap

Branch Meetings in 2022

White Lion 25/01/2022 Committee

Swan & Barristers 03/02/2022

Doffcocker 21/02/2022 Committee

Millstone 03/03/2022

Bob's Smithy 28/03/2022 Committee

Swan & Barristers 14/04/2022

Bank Top Brewery Alehouse 25/04/2022 Committee

White Lion 10/05/2022

Bunburys 24/05/2022 Committee

Spinning Mule 09/06/2022

King's Head 26/06/2022 Committee

Northern Monkey Brewery Tap 07/07/2022

Beer School 02/08/2022

Duke of Wellington 24/08/2022 Committee

Swan & Barristers 01/09/2022

Ainsworth 20/09/2022 Committee

B33R@33 04/10/2022

King's Arms 20/10/2022 Committee

Spinning Mule 03/11/2022

Jolly Carter 22/11/2022 Committee

Great Ale at the Vaults 01/12/2022



Bolton Beer & Cider Week 8-17 July 2022

Celebrating and showcasing the pubs, clubs, bars, bottle shops, breweries and beer & cider culture of the borough for one (extended) glorious Summer week.

Beer launches, collaborations, meet the brewer and tap takeovers, beer & cider events. We would like to hear from you.

Twitter: @beerciderweek

FB:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/847723495586618> Bolton Beer and Cider Week (Public Group)

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/beerciderweek/?hl=en>

<https://bolton.camra.org.uk/bolton-beer-cider-week-2022/>

Contact me (Keith Sowerby) directly: beerciderweek@bolton.camra.org.uk



How to complete the BBCW Passport

Choose any of one, two or all three routes

Visit all the Pubs & Clubs on the route (check opening times on whatpub.com)

Buy a real ale or real cider in each pub

Ask bar staff for a BBCW Passport sticker and attach in the space next to the pub name

For each route completed, you are eligible for entry into the BBCW prize draw. This will take place on 2nd August during the CAMRA Branch Meeting at the Beer School, Westhoughton from 7pm.

To enter the draw, you must provide evidence of completing the route(s), your name and your contact email or telephone number. You can either:

- Scan or photograph the completed passport and email no later than midnight on 31 July to: beerciderweek@bolton.camra.org.uk
- Leave your completed passport at either The Beer School, Northern Monkey Bar or Bunbury's no later than 31 July
- Bring the completed passport to the draw on 2nd August at The Beer School

Good Luck and thanks for supporting Bolton Beer & Cider Week!

What's On During Bolton Beer & Cider Week

The Beer School – Launch of their own real cider blend in collab with 'Udders Orchard. Plus Hophurst Brewery tap takeover and guided tastings.

Bunbury's - Small NW Breweries mini-festival

Brewery Bar, Horwich – new beer launches plus at least 10 ciders on the bar

Northern Monkey Tap, Chorley St – launch of new beer collaboration with Nook & Cranny

Saturday 9th July - CAMRA Tour to Harwood - Meet 12:40 Bolton Bus Interchange

Wednesday 13th July - The Brewery Tap Westhoughton - CAMRA Summer Pub of the Season Presentation - new beers and ciders

Thursday 14th July - B33R@33 Horwich – Neptune Brewery Tap takeover & Meet the Brewery from 7pm – raffle for Brewery goodies

Saturday 16th July - Northern Monkey Bar, Nelson Sq – Party on the Cobble

Sunday 17th July - Annual Rivvy Beer Walk - 1.30pm Meet Blackedge Brewery Bar for walk to Rivington Brewery Tap

For more events and live updates see www.bolton.camra.org.uk or use #BBCW22 on social media



Passport Bolton Beer & Cider Week

8-17 July 2022

#BBCW22



Route 1 Keawyed to Market

The Beer School

88 Market St, Westhoughton BL5 3AZ



The Brewery Tap

55 Market St, Westhoughton, BL5 3AG



Robert Shaw

53 Market St, Westhoughton BL5 3AG



Tavern Fayre

761 Wigan Road, Hunger Hill BL3 4RH



Kings Head

52/54 Junction Road, Deane BL3 4NA



One For The Road

Lifestyle Hall, Bolton Market BL1 1TJ



Name:

Route 2 Monkey to No Name

Northern Monkey Bar

Nelson Square, Bolton BL1 1AQ



Spinning Mule

Nelson Square, Bolton BL1 1JT



Great Ale at the Vaults

Vaults Below Market Place, BL1 2AL



Ye Olde Man & Scythe

6-8 Churchgate, Bolton BL1 1HL



Bolton Ukrainian Club

99 Castle Street, Bolton BL2 1JP



Bank Top Brewery Tap

68 Belmont Road, Astley Bridge BL1 7AN



House Without a Name

75 Lea Gate, Harwood BL2 3ET



Contact No/email:

Route 3 Bunburying to Horwich

Bunbury's

397, Chorley Old Road, Bolton BL1 6AH



Hope & Anchor

747 Chorley Old Road, Bolton BL1 5QH



Bank Top Brewery Ale House

36 Church Street, Horwich BL6 6AD



B33R@33

33 Lee Lane, Horwich BL6 7AX



The Brewery Bar

Hampson Street, Horwich, BL6 7JH



The Crown

1, Chorley New Road, Horwich BL6 7QJ



The Following Pubs Closed during 2022.

Stanley Arms 99, Chorley Old Rd. after many years being the Nam Ploy/Beppe's restaurant it had reverted back to being a pub called the Stanley Arms again in June 2021 but had closed again by 01/06/22.

Diversion 26, Corporation St. See Planning Application 12591/21 for change of use to Micropub. Opened 10/04/2022 and Closed 06/11/2022 - Nearly open for 7 months but had family disputes and disagreements about the business?? See Planning application 16599/23 for creating larger premises with 28 next door.

Star & Garter Bow St. The Last Facebook post was on 29/07/22, initially closure was understood to be only temporary. However, Planning Application 17402/23 was to create a 13 Bedroom HMO with a rooftop garden! This was refused as it did not satisfy conservation requirements and was deemed to provide poor living standards, a new planning application 17958/24 was for a 11 bedroom HMO and was approved 31/05/24.

Tempest Arms 1110, Chorley Old Rd. The pub was one of 152 Admiral Tavern Pubs by Everard Cole, it was included as the landlord left because of ill health, Subsequently sold again by Regency Estates and planning application 15844/23 is for conversion to a Children's Day Nursery, subsequently withdrawn 01/08/23, Further application 17784/24 for a day nursery with a rear extension and accommodation for up to 74 children was approved. Does not appear to have been actioned yet in early 2026.

Bowling Green 271, Bury Rd. Temporary closure on January 30th, 2022, but never reopened. Conversion to housing upstairs Nov 2022. Planning application Ref 14704/22 is for Retrospective application to convert first floor to two 2 bedroom flats. Approved subject to conditions 08 Dec 2022. New Licence application December 2024 for music venue, pub reopens on ground floor 12/04/2025.

Shakespeare Glynne St Farnworth. Pub closed 07/04/2022 and was sold very quickly by Admiral Taverns, listed at £325,000. It is thought the buyers did not know that it was a listed building as very soon the pub was being auctioned 21/07/22 by the new owners with a £390,000 Reserve, not surprisingly it did not sell. It was then available for rent at Tanzy's Properties for £60,000 per annum, suitable for a variety of uses but no mention that it is a listed building and would require planning permission for a change of use. Rental price reduced to £40,000 per annum January 2023, no takers so in April 2023 price is £500 per week. Car Park only is now in use for car buying business 10/05/25 but still has empties and tables! In December 2025 Planning application and Listed Building consent 21521/25 was for conversion to a 9 Bed HMO, this included restoring the interior fittings but then creating the rooms with panelling!! The council refused this Planning Application on 20/03/2026. Everyone knows that the new HMO residents would fully respect the pub interiors, or not?

Withins Brightmet Fold Lane, Brightmet. Pub closed 01/08/2022 and was boarded up by 13/11/22, Bolton Council (??) selling the land only February 2023. Pub was damaged by fire on 03/06/25.

Olde Three Crowns Higher Market St, Kearsley. Pub closed 01/03/2022 and was for sale (Cardwells) 26/05/22 – it had already been gutted inside, plans for 6 flats or possibly restaurant? Previously for sale with Fleurets in 2019, noted as sold STC 13/11/22. Licence Application (On & Off Sales) by Lucknow Junction Ltd. No Planning Application for Change of use.

Halliwell Conservative Club 409, Halliwell Rd Club was sold in March 2022 for £275,786. 01/12/22. Planning Application 15041/22 was withdrawn and 16177/23 approved conversion to community centre and Madrasa with boarding facilities.

The Following Pubs Opened during 2022.

8-Bit Micro Arcade 45, Lee Lane, Horwich. After the Crux Emporium closed it became the 8-Bit Micro Arcade where gaming fans could re-live their youth in this bar which was a fun arcade and games centre for families by day and a bar at night for adults. In March 2025 8 Bit Micro closed and Inn the Dog House opened 25/07/2025.

Depost Bar 73/75, Bradshawgate opens 04/12/2022, subsequently it loses its alcohol licence and is closed 16/12/2023 and is subsequently reopens and is renamed Moon Light without an alcohol licence.

The Following Pubs had Other Changes During 2022.

Blue Boar 96, Deansgate. Back in August 2016 their Facebook said there was a temporary closure for refurbishment at the time, but it then became owned by the council property arm as part of a development area, it never reopened and it was eventually demolished in July 2022 as part of the grandiose plan for the immediate area.

Post Office Bar 57/61, Bradshawgate. Bar had closed in 2019 but was now To Let with Miller Metcalfe, Planning Application 13319/22 to convert to Burgrill approved.

The Bar Nelson Square. The bar closed on 06/03/2022 and reopened as Circle on 26/08/2022 as a new bar concept, never had one of those before!

White Hart 67/69, Albert Rd, Farnworth. The land on which the former pub stood was now in use as a car park.

City Hotel Eskrick Street. Pub was demolished around 2011, but a Planning Application for 3 houses withdrawn by applicant 14/12/20 09636/20. further planning application 13393/22 for a house was approved.

Churchills (Rose Hill) 122, Manchester Rd. Whilst the pub is still standing but somewhat derelict, there was a fire on 20/06/2022.

Hawthorns off A6, Blackrod. It was unable to get sufficient staff to operate after COVID, New License application from Outdoor Events Ltd 13/04/22, reopened as a Wedding Venue and function venue 11/05/22

Definitely Maybe (1) 18, St Andrews Court. Bar closed 01/12/2022 when business moved to new venue Definitely Maybe (2) on Nelson Square. Later reopened as Upside Down bar but closed again 06/01/2024.

Bar Four Market Place Vaults. Previously named Cave it reopened as Bar Four on 26/03/2022. It closed in March 2024 just after a Branch Meeting was held there.

Fazz's Indian Kitchen & Bar Market Place Vaults. Previously named Bank Bar and Grill it reopened as Fazz's Indian Kitchen on 01/04/2022.

Market Tavern and Cellar Bar 139/141, Chorley New Rd Horwich. The cellar bar which initially sold cask beer had closed by August 2022. The rest of the pub remained open.

Statement Bar 50, Market St Westhoughton. was renamed Nabucco restaurant 30/01/2022

Jolly Carter Church Street, Little Lever Pub reopened 14/04/2022 with a new landlord and was selling Timothy Taylors Landlord and Sharps Doom Bar.

Churchgate on Churchgate started selling Sharps Doom Bar

The following pubs stopped selling Cask Beer during 2022

Rose & Crown 222, Bolton Rd, Westhoughton.

Red Lion 1/3, Salford Road, Over Hulton.

Red Lion 101, Church Street, Blackrod.

Toby Carvery Watermillock Crompton Way.

White Horse 177, Stitch-Mi Lane, Harwood.

Crofters Arms 103, Bradshaw Road, Harwood.

Unity Brook 452/454 Manchester Road, Kearsley.

Wellington Inn 56, Market Street, Farnworth.

Horwich Park Inn Arena Approach.

Horwich RMI Ramsbottom Rd.

Little Vic 349A, Chorley New Rd Horwich.

