

TT-Forums

2016 Meet: London, Saturday 9th July

Itinerary

We will convene at 1200 at The Thirsty Bear, Stamford Street, Southwark.

The Thirsty Bear is a great pub in the heart of Southwark. There's a good selection of lagers, ciders, ales, wines and spirits, and some cocktails for the more adventurous. It's well known for a great selection of food. It's £8-16 for a high quality main meal. Pints are in the £4-£5 range. This is pretty standard for any reasonable London watering hole.

The big selling point of this place is that there are tablets and beer taps on the tables - if you open a tab with them they give you a swipe card which you activate the taps and tablets with. You can order food and drinks from the tablet and not have to keep going to the bar!

<http://thethirstybear.com/>

Transport Museum

At around 1500, after some merriment and sustenance, we will have a stroll along the South Bank, over Waterloo Bridge and up to Covent Garden. Here we will take in the London Transport Museum. Not only does it have a good selection of heritage transport exhibits, there's also a current exhibition about London Transport design methodology.

There is an entrance fee of £16 for the museum (this allows for unlimited visits for one year), so I'll point out some nearby options for those would prefer not to pay. The Transport Museum closes at 1800, at which point I imagine many people will want to be heading back to their various locations.

For the hardcore...

We'll head to the Princess Louise pub near Holborn station for a couple more beverages. This is a Sam Smith pub with a great selection of beers.

<http://princesslouisepub.co.uk/>

We'll then hop on the tube and head down to the East End for a famous Brick Lane curry. You can't book most curry houses on Brick Lane, so we'll have a stroll down and see which one takes our fancy.

If anyone still wants to go on I'll get very drunk with you and probably say something inappropriate.

On Sunday

I am considering a trip to a heritage railway - potentially the Epping & Ongar Railway. I imagine that numbers will be less than 5, so I will happily drive. Please indicate if you'd be interested in this.

Getting here

You'll have to arrange your own travel to London.

The Thirsty Bear is very well connected. I expect you to know how to use the tube... You have a few options:



Blackfriars - is the closest station to the pub. You need to be on the south side, so if you come on the tube, exit the station and turn left, over the river. If you arrive by Thameslink, use the southern exit. Turn left out of the ticket barriers then walk along the river, and turn left up the steps to the bridge. Continue down off the bridge to the first set of traffic lights, and turn right onto Stamford Street. The Thirsty Bear is about five minutes' walk on the right hand side.

Southwark - Turn left out of the station on to Blackfriars Road, towards the river. At the junction turn left and the pub is about five minutes' walk on the right hand side.

Waterloo - Use the Jubilee Line exit. Cross Waterloo Road using the traffic lights, and walk down the street ahead of you (Sandell Street). Turn left under the railway bridge, and then right onto Roupell Street (there is a barber and a Konditor and Cook on the corners of this street). Roupell Street is very famous as it retains its Victorian appearance and so is used in films... Anyway. Continue to the end of the street, where you'll see some tennis courts. Turn left here on to Hatfields. When you reach Stamford Street, turn left - the pub is about 50 yards on the right.

Rules

As always, we respectfully ask that under-18s do not attend, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. We won't be able to do anything to help you if you're refused entry or service to the pub.

The appropriate forum rules will apply - I don't expect any problems, but please remember you are representing the forum. Any bad behaviour will likely result in action being taken on the forum.

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