



# BEERY STEVE'S MINI GUIDE TO THANET PUBS



CAMPAIGN FOR REAL ALE

Either as a visitor or a local you will find that Thanet has an excellent selection of real ale hostelrys and possesses the largest concentration of micropubs in the country - 15 at the last count. The pages of this leaflet will show you my choice of real ale pubs across the island, where they are located and how to get to them. The easiest way to get to many of them is using public transport - the Loop bus route connects Thanet's three major towns - Margate, Ramsgate and Broadstairs together - while the Breeze (8/8A) links Broadstairs with Margate, Westgate and Birchington during the day. The excellent Stagecoach →

- Traditional Pub
- Micropub
- Bus Stop

## ST PETER-IN-THANET

### FOUR CANDLES

1 Sowell Street  
Broadstairs CT10 2AT  
*Britain's smallest brewpub housed in a former retail shop supplying a varying range of beer styles.*  
5-10.30 Mon-Thu, 5-11.30 Fri, 12-11.30 Sat,  
12 -3.30, 5 -10.30 Sun



### TARTAR FRIGATE

1 Harbour Street  
Broadstairs CT10 1EU  
*18th century harbour-side flint pub named after HMS Tartar which was built locally.*  
11-11 Mon-Sat, 11-10.30 Sun



### MIND THE GAP

156 High Street  
Broadstairs  
CT10 1JB  
*Micropub housed in a former retail shop and split over two levels with a railway theme.*  
12 -10.30 Mon-Sun



## BROADSTAIRS



**YARD OF ALE**  
61 Church Street  
St Peter's CT10 2TU  
*Award-winning micropub housed in the stable block of the adjacent funeral directors. A National Pub of the Year finalist*  
5-11 Mon - Fri  
12-11 Sat & Sun

### THIRTY-NINE STEPS

Charlotte Street  
Broadstairs CT10 1LR  
*This micropub housed in a former pet shop has high table seating (It is due to move into nearby premises in the same street).*  
12 -11 Sun-Mon



### CHARLES DICKENS

5-6 Victoria Parade  
Broadstairs CT10 1QS  
*Large pub close to town's main beach, Viking Bay.*  
10-11 Mon-Thu, 10-12 Fri, 9-11 Sun



← Dayrider ticket at £3.30 for an individual or £5.60 for a family ticket (allowing two adults to travel together and there is no need to have any children with you to get this ticket) are a great way to get around the island and are valid on the Loop and Breeze services as well as all other Stagecoach buses in the Thanet area. If visiting by train you can purchase a Thanet PlusBus add-on to your rail ticket which is also valid on all Stagecoach services.

The maps show where the pubs are located along with the bus stops that the Loop & Breeze stop at. A short description about each pub along with opening times is also included.

I have also included the micropub in Minster which you can only visit by bus on weekday & Saturday lunchtimes (services 11 & 42) otherwise you have to use the train.

I hope you get time to visit some of these excellent pubs and although these are my choices there are other pubs in each of the towns and villages that are also worth seeking out.

Cheers

Beery Steve  
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## TWO HALVES

2 Marine Drive Margate  
CT9 1DH

*Micropub housed in a former retail shop overlooking the town's harbour. Clean and bright interior with local townscapes decorating the walls.*



3.00-10.30 Mon-Thu, Fri-Sun 12-10.30

## ALES OF THE UNEXPECTED

105 Canterbury Road  
Margate CT9 5AX

*Formerly a fishmongers in a row of shops in the Westbrook district of town, this large micropub is split into two with seating at the front and a rear bar area.*



5-10 Mon-Fri, 12-3, 5-10 Sat, 12-3.30 Sun



## MARGATE

## BAKE & ALEHOUSE

21 St Mildreds Road  
Westgate-on-Sea  
CT8 8RE

*Situated in former retail and office premises this welcoming micropub is an oasis for the real ale drinker; beer memorabilia and collages depicting baking decorate the walls.*



Closed Mon, 12-2, 5-9 Tue-Sat, 12-2 Sun

## WESTGATE-ON-SEA



## HARBOUR ARMS

Harbour Arm Margate  
CT9 1AP

*Housed in a unit on the town's stone pier. The walls are adorned with seaside memorabilia along with ceiling hung fishing nets.*

**12-11 Mon-Sun**



## FEZ

40 High Street Margate  
CT 1DS

*Eclectically furnished micropub in former retail premises. Seating includes barber's chairs, a bus seat and a waltzer carriage.*

**12-10.30 Mon-Sat, 12-10 Sun**



## TAP ROOM

4 Northdown Parade (Price's Avenue)  
Margate CT9 2NR

*Micropub housed in a former take away food shop has been decorated with brewery & advertising memorabilia.*

**12-3, 4.30-10 Mon-Fri 12-3, 4.30 -11 Sat, Closed Sun**



# CLIFTONVILLE



## WIG AND PEN

10 Market Place Margate  
CT9 1EN

*Pub in the old town area built in 1933 with distinctive golden weather vane.*

**11 -11 Mon-Sun**



## MECHANICAL ELEPHANT

Marine Terrace  
Margate CT9 1XJ

*Large Wetherspoons located across the road from the town's main beach; named after an attraction that once gave rides along the promenade.*

**8-Midnight Sun-Thu, 8-1am Fri/Sat**



## LONDON TAVERN

Addington Street  
Margate CT9 1PN

*This hostelry opposite the Theatre Royal has been expertly refurbished by its owners. Serves a selection of craft keg beers alongside the cask ales.*

**Closed Mon, 5-10.30 Tue-Thu, 4-11 Fri, 13-11 Sat, 12-9 Sun**



## WHEEL ALEHOUSE

60 Station Road  
Birchington CT7 9RA

*Micropub decked out in a nautical theme that opened in March 2013 in a former retail outlet.*

**12-2, 5-9 Mon-Sat, 12-2 Sun**



## HAIR OF THE DOG

73 High Street Minster-in-Thanel CT12 4AB

*Micropub set in a former hairdresser's salon with bright décor and furnishings and walls adorned with numerous pearls of wisdom.*

**12-10 Mon-Thu, 12-11 Fri & Sat, 12-4 Sun**



# BIRCHINGTON -ON-SEA



# MINSTER-IN-THANET

## CONQUEROR ALEHOUSE

4c Grange Road  
Ramsgate CT11 9LR

*Thanet's  
original  
award-  
winning  
micropub*



*has room for about 20  
customers offering a cosy and  
pleasant environment. A  
former National Pub of the  
Year finalist.*

**Closed Mon, 11.30-2.30, 5-  
9.30 Tue-Sat, 12-3 Sun**

## RAVENSGATE ARMS

56 King Street  
Ramsgate CT11 8NY

*Free house transformed in 2015 into a  
hip pub specialising in real ales and  
craft keg beers.*

**12-11 Mon-Sun**



## MONTEFIORE ARMS

1 Trinity Place  
Ramsgate CT11 7HJ

*Award-winning traditional back street local  
enjoying a good reputation with real ale  
drinkers.*

**12-2.30, 5.30-11 Mon - Fri, 12-11 Sat, 12-3,  
7-10.30 Sun**

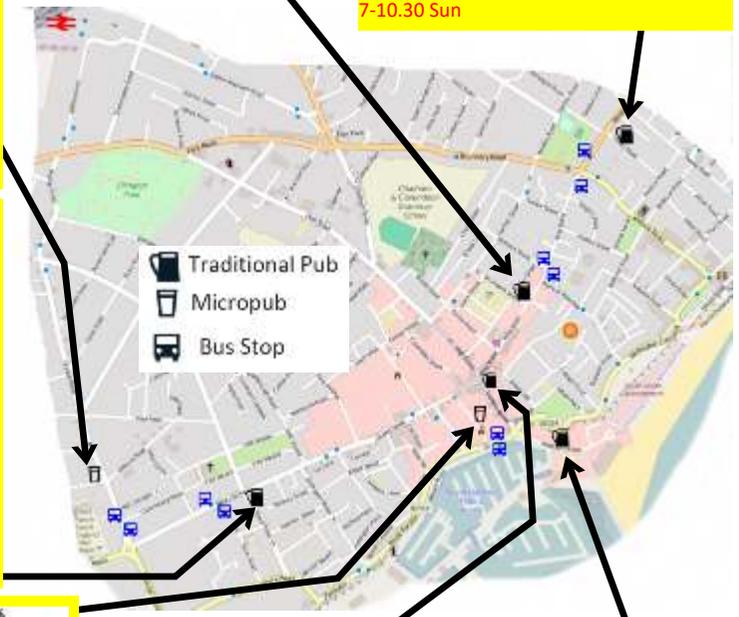


## ARTILLERY ARMS

36 Westcliff  
Road  
Ramsgate  
CT11 9JS

*Superb little  
multi-level alehouse with  
attractive bow windows and  
painted glass depicting  
soldiers and guns from the  
Napoleonic wars.*

**12-11 Mon-Thu, 12-12 Fri-  
Sun**



## HOVELLING BOAT

12 York Street  
Ramsgate CT11 9DS

*Reopening in March 2013 as a  
micropub after functioning  
for 104 years in various retail guises this  
long-defunct pub serves cask ales, ciders,  
perries and snack food at your table.*

**11.30-9 Mon-Thu, 11.30-10 Fri/Sat  
12-4 Sun**



## RED LION

1 King Street  
Ramsgate CT11  
8NN

*Pub in the heart of the town  
centre. Regular live music.*

**11-11 Mon-Sat, 12-10.30 Sun**



## QUEENS HEAD

78 Harbour Parade  
Ramsgate CT11 8LP

*Harbour side pub with  
two bars and an  
impressive brick and glazed tile  
frontage.*

**11-11 Sun-Thu 11-1am Fri/Sat**



## NORTHWOOD

### NAUTICALES

347 Margate Road Ramsgate  
CT12 6SG

*Micropub in former office  
premises in the Northwood district of Ramsgate.  
A small L-shaped bar counter behind which real  
ales and ciders are served on gravity dispense.*

**4-9 Mon-Thu; 12-10.30 Fri/Sat; 12-9 Sun**



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