

Beer scoring – October 2013

Step 1: Go to <http://www.beerscoring.org.uk> – this should either direct you to a page on WhatPub.com (for desktop computers) or the mobile site (for mobile phones). The following notes are for the desktop site.

If you haven't logged into WhatPub before and ticked the Remember me box, you will be directed to a login page which uses your national CAMRA login.



Otherwise you will be directed straight to the beer scoring landing page.

Welcome to the National Beer Scoring System

The National Beer Scoring Scheme (NBSS) is a 0-5 point scale for judging beer quality in pubs. It is an easy to use system that has been designed to assist CAMRA branches in selecting pubs for the Good Beer Guide and monitoring beer quality by encouraging CAMRA members to report on beer quality where ever they go.

Start by searching for pubs on the main whatpub.com website. A list of possible choices is shown - click on the pub that you want and submit your beer score using the panel to the right hand side.

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Frequently Asked Questions

What do the scores mean?

0. No cask ale available.
1. Poor
Beer that is anything from barely drinkable to drinkable with considerable resentment.
2. Average
Completely lackluster, 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.

How can I see my previous scores?

When choosing pubs on whatpub.com, use the 'Scores' tab in the main navigation to view your recent pub visits and the associated scores.

[View Beer Scores](#)

How can I edit my previous my scores?

Editing scores on whatpub.com will be coming soon, but in the meantime you can head over to the previous version of NBSS and use the 'Score' tab in the main navigation to edit your scores.

[Edit Beer Scores](#)

What if I can't find the pub?

Unfortunately the pub list does not yet cover the whole country. If the pub you have visited is not listed, then unfortunately your score cannot be submitted on whatpub.com.

Where can I get extra support?

If you would like to comment on pubs in a particular location, please [contact the relevant CAMRA branch](#).

A support forum for CAMRA members exists. You can join by sending a blank email to camra_news_subscribe@yahoo.co.uk.

Alternatively you can email nbss@camra.org.uk.

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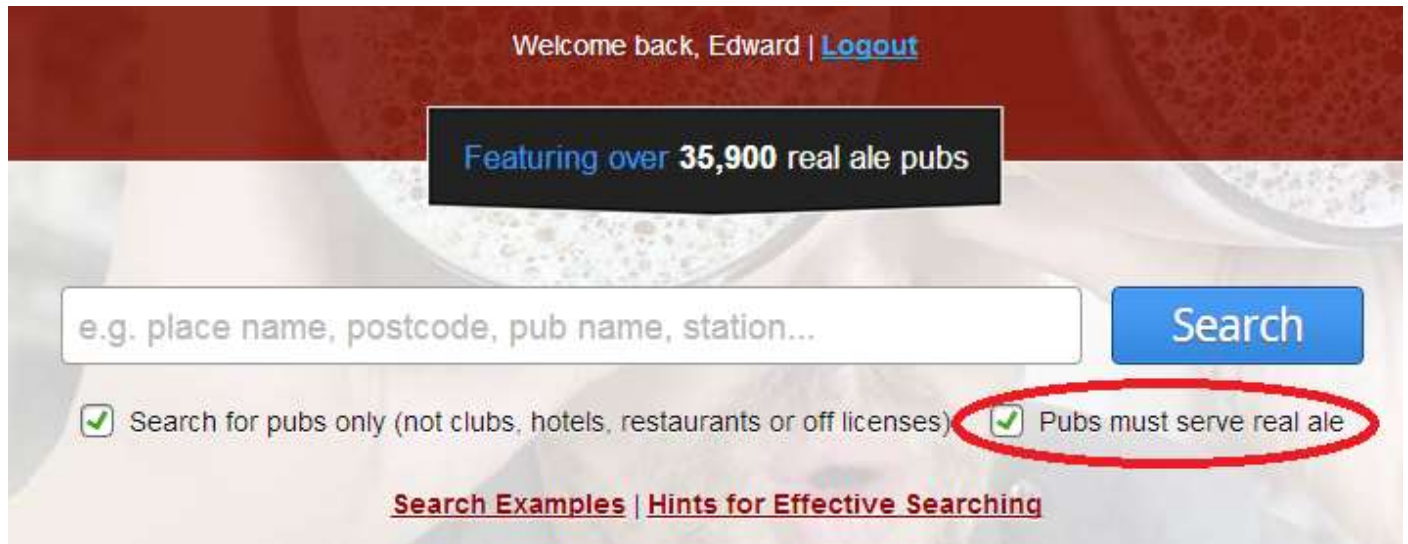
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On the above page you can choose Start Scoring button to use WhatPub to enter scores, “View Scores” to view your previous scores, or “No thanks, take me to the old version” (or “Enter Admin Area” if you have that button) to use the previous NBSS site. We will concentrate below on using WhatPub to enter scores. Click “Start Scoring”.

Step 2: Search for a pub. Note that if you want to search for a pub that is flagged as not selling real ale, you will need to clear the tick from the box I’ve highlighted with a red ellipse below. It is worth reading the hints for effective searching (which recommends searching by location) and search examples if you aren’t used to searching.



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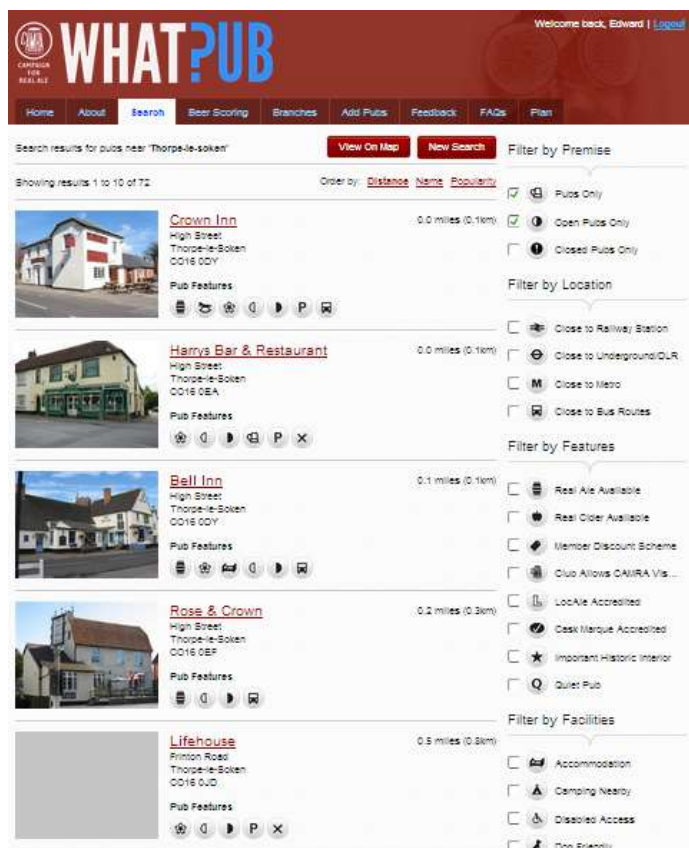
Featuring over **35,900** real ale pubs

e.g. place name, postcode, pub name, station... [Search](#)

Search for pubs only (not clubs, hotels, restaurants or off licenses) Pubs must serve real ale

[Search Examples](#) | [Hints for Effective Searching](#)

Step 3: From the search results, select the correct pub. If there is only one result it will take you straight to the pub’s page. Note you can specify additional filters at the right of this page. Wait for results to refresh each time you change any of the options listed.



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Search results for pubs near 'Thorpe-le-Soken' [View On Map](#) [New Search](#) Filter by Premise

Showing results 1 to 10 of 72 Order by [Distance](#) [Name](#) [Popularity](#)

Pub Name	Address	Distance	Features
Crown Inn	High Street, Thorpe-le-Soken, CO16 0DY	0.0 miles (0.1km)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pubs Only, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Pubs Only, <input type="checkbox"/> Closed Pubs Only
Harrys Bar & Restaurant	High Street, Thorpe-le-Soken, CO16 0EA	0.0 miles (0.1km)	<input type="checkbox"/> Close to Railway Station, <input type="checkbox"/> Close to Underground/CLR, <input type="checkbox"/> Close to Metro, <input type="checkbox"/> Close to Bus Routes
Bell Inn	High Street, Thorpe-le-Soken, CO16 0DY	0.1 miles (0.1km)	<input type="checkbox"/> Real Ale Available, <input type="checkbox"/> Real Cider Available, <input type="checkbox"/> Member Discount Scheme, <input type="checkbox"/> Club Allows OAI/RA Vis...
Rose & Crown	High Street, Thorpe-le-Soken, CO16 0EF	0.2 miles (0.3km)	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Accredited, <input type="checkbox"/> Cask Marque Accredited, <input type="checkbox"/> Important Historic Interior, <input type="checkbox"/> Quiet Pub
Lifehouse	Frinton Road, Thorpe-le-Soken, CO16 0JD	0.5 miles (0.8km)	<input type="checkbox"/> Accommodation, <input type="checkbox"/> Camping Nearby, <input type="checkbox"/> Disabled Access, <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Friendly

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Step 4: Enter a score. The fields to complete are in the top left of this page. Please note the change to the scoring system made in early 2013.

0 is now “No Real Ale available”(only) and 0.5 is “Beer undrinkable/poor”

Enter as a minimum the date and the score. The other information is useful though especially if you are entering scores for more than one beer from the same visit. To add a comment or pint price click “Show advanced options” if the fields aren’t already visible. An example comment might be “No real ale at time of visit; sold out, more due on soon” to help explain a score of 0 in a pub thought to usually sell real ale.

Once you click “Submit Score” the title “Submit a beer score” briefly changes to “Submitting” and “Score submitted!” before changing to “Submit another score”, which allows you to enter another score for the same visit (it clears most of the information, but keeps the date that you selected previously).

The screenshot shows the WhatPub website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, About, Search, Beer Scoring, Branches, Add Pubs, Feedback, FAQs, and Plan. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column displays information for 'Crown Inn', including its address (High Street, Thorpe-le-Soken, CO16 0DY), opening hours (12-11 Mon-Thr, 12-00 Fri-Sat, 12-11 Sun), owner (Enterprise Inns), and a list of regular beers (Timothy Taylor Landlord and Sharps Doombar). A map shows the pub's location near Thorpe-le-Soken. The right column features a 'Submit Beer Scores' form with fields for Date of visit (30/10/2013), Score (0-5) (e.g. 3.5), Brewery (e.g. Greene King), Beer (e.g. IPA), Price (£) (e.g. 3.20), and a comment box. A 'Submit Score' button is at the bottom of the form.

Note: While you have the WhatPub page for the pub open you could quickly check the information shown there. Lower down the page is the option to send us details of anything which needs updating or adding (e.g. we have one member that is kindly letting us know which pubs are missing the note to say they are dog friendly).

Seen some incorrect or missing details?
[Fill in the feedback form](#) to submit your updates.