

# NEWCASTLE UNDER LYME REAL ALE TRAIL

**Over the last few years  
Newcastle has become a mecca  
for the Real Ale enthusiast.**

From the opening of the first independent pub in 2012 there are now a wide range of drinking establishments with something for everyone.

The Business Improvement District is proud to showcase 10 unique and individual Real Ale venues that sit within its boundary here in this trail. There is an ever-changing line up of real ales available across these pubs in this traditional town which holds the Purple Flag for night time safety.

The leaflet provides you with the key pieces of information... opening times, access etc.

For more detail on all of the business visit [newcastleunderlyme.org](http://newcastleunderlyme.org)

You can start at any point along the trail - just take your time.

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**NEWCASTLE  
UNDER LYME**

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



## HOP INN

Mon-Thurs	16:00 - 23:30
Fri-Sat	12:00 - 00:00
Sun	12:00 - 23:00

Do you have a beer garden? **No**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **No**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **Yes**  
 Do you have disabled access? **No**

The Hop Inn opened in mid-February 2014 after a brief refurbishment when Martyn and Ginny rescued the pub from Punch Taverns. Our aim is to provide a good selection of fine ales and a comfortable and relaxed environment in which to enjoy them. CAMRA Award winning pub. Facebook @[thopin](#)



## THE CASK BAR

Mon/Thurs	12:30 - 21:00
Fri	12:30 - 22:30
Sat	13:00 - 22:30
Sun	13:00 - 21:00

Do you have a beer garden? **Yes**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **Yes, Mon-Fri Lunch menu 12.30 - 15.30**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **Yes, supervised under 18s until 19:00**  
 Do you have disabled access? **Yes**

Opened in July 2017, we have gone from strength to strength. Serving a wide range of beers and stouts from 4 rotating cask pumps. We have 1 permanent cask pump serving Sarah Hughes Dark Ruby, 1 rotating cask pump, Lagers, Ciders and Blue Moon. Huge range of Gins and spirits available. Something for everyone. Facebook @[TheCaskBarNUL](#)



## MELLARDS

Mon/Thurs	11:00 - 22:00
Fri/Sat	11:00 - 23:00
Sun	12:00 - 18:00

Do you have a beer garden? **Yes**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **Saturdays, Street Food in the yard**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **Yes, until 21:00**  
 Do you have disabled access? **Yes**

Cask ales, Gin, Cocktails, bottled beers, Champagne, Coffee and Tea all available here. CAMRA Potteries Pub of the Month February 2019. Facebook @[mellardsbar](#)



## THE OLD BULL'S HEAD

Mon/Sat	11:00 - 23:00
Sun	12:00 - 22:30

Do you have a beer garden? **Yes**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **Yes**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **Yes until 18:00**  
 Do you have disabled access? **No**

A Charming, old-fashioned pub in the town centre. The oldest pub in Newcastle, dating from the 14th Century, with live music, food, and a large garden. Facebook @[oldbullsheadnewcastle](#)



## THE FREEBIRD

Mon-Thurs	17:00 - 00:00
Fri	17:00 - 01:00
Sat	15:00 - 01:00
Sun	15:00 - 23:30

Do you have a beer garden? **Yes**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **No**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **No, unless by prior arrangement**  
 Do you have disabled access? **Limited**

The Freebird is a 100% Free house, some 9 years in existence from its former guise as the Duke of York. Proud to be the recipient of many CAMRA Awards, host to many live acts, biker friendly and a range of 8 hand pull cask conditioned ales on the lounge bar. Lively banter and friendly regulars complete the picture in this 'one or the last' traditional bars in the area. Facebook @[drinkingmorebeer](#)



## HOP WATER CELLAR

Mon-Thurs	12:00 - 20:00
Fri-Sat	12:00 - 21:00
Sun	12:00 - 16:00

Do you have a beer garden? **No**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **No**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **Yes until 18:00**  
 Do you have disabled access? **Yes**

The Hopwater Cellar is an independently owned Bottle Shop and Bar which have over 500 different beers, ciders & perry from around the world. Facebook @[hopwatercellar](#)



## BRIDGE STREET ALE HOUSE

Mon/Thurs	13:00 - 22:00
Fri/Sat	12:00 - 23:00
Sun	12:00 - 21:00

Do you have a beer garden? **No**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **No**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **No**  
 Do you have disabled access? **No**

We were the first micropub in Newcastle and we were CAMRA Cider pub of the Year 2018! We boast 5 ever changing real ale hand pulls and 9 real ciders. Our atmosphere can be described as intimate and friendly and the staff are always happy to help! Facebook @[BridgeStreetAleHouse](#)



## WELLERS

Mon/Tues	16:00 - 22:30
Wed/Thurs	15:00 - 22:30
Fri/Sat	12:00 - 23:00
Sun	13:00 - 19:00

Do you have a beer garden? **No**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **No**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **Yes**  
 Do you have disabled access? **No**

Wellers is the brewery tap for local brewery Weal Ales. They sell their own multi award winning beers with 2 or 3 guest cask ales. They have a large range of gins, cider, wine and selected spirits available too. Food is not provided; however, you are more than welcome to bring in your own food; plates and cutlery will be provided if necessary. Facebook @[WellersST5](#)



## LYMESTONE VAULTS

Mon/Thurs	11:00 - 23:00
Fri/Sat	11:00 - 00:00
Sun	12:00 - 23:00

Do you have a beer garden? **Yes**  
 Are you dog friendly? **Yes**  
 Do you serve food? **Yes 12:00 till 15:00**  
 Do you allow under 18s? **Yes, until 20:00**  
 Do you have disabled access? **Yes**

The Limestone Vaults is the multi-award-winning Tap House for The Limestone Brewery. Established in 2012 the bar hosts the full range of Limestone beers, as well as guest ales, craft keg, cans, bottles, spirits and ciders. Come and meet our enthusiastic team, you're sure to find something you love. Facebook @[TheLimestoneVaults](#)





# NEWCASTLE UNDER LYME IS A PROUD HOLDER OF THE PURPLE FLAG

A Quality Mark that rewards a safe night-time experience. After undergoing a thorough assessment process the Purple Flag was first awarded in 2016, and a repeat assessment in early 2019 confirmed that Newcastle is one of the safest places in Staffordshire to have a night out!



**Newcastle town centre is safe, welcoming and a  
great place to spend time with family and friends.**

Keep up to date with events!

The leaflet has been produced by the Newcastle under Lyme BID (Business Improvement District) who work on behalf of all of the businesses in the town to encourage use of the town centre, promote businesses and help to make Newcastle a better place to work and socialise.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE?**

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