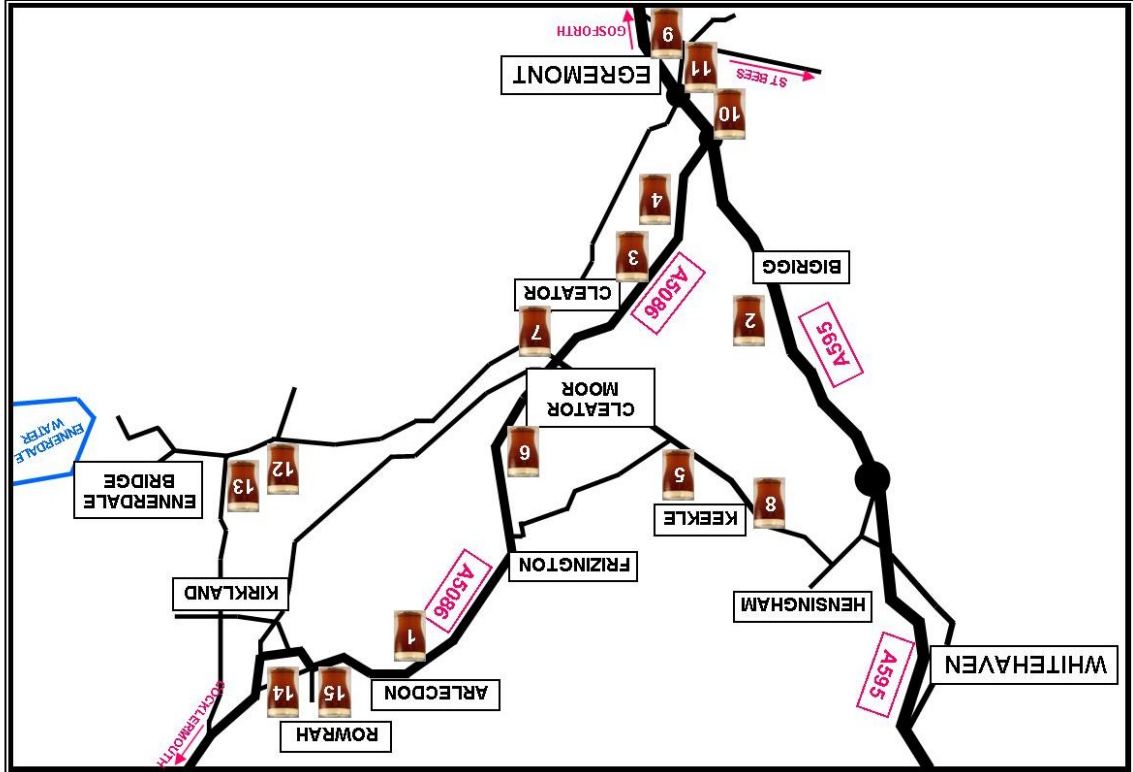




CAMRA in West Cumbria issues awards throughout the year to our premises, recognising continued excellence and meritable achievements. In some cases our pubs go on to compete at county, regional and national level. Many of the premises in this Guide have been recipients of such awards over the years. As an indication we have included details, in the entries, of awards made over the last three years. These are:

**POTS** - Pub of the Season (awarded quarterly to recognise meritable achievement).  
**PIPTY** - Pub of the Year (voted by members to be the best pub in the Branch area).  
**CIPITY** - Cider Pub of the Year (voted by members to be the best cider pub in the Branch area).  
**COTY** - Club of the Year (voted by members to be the best club in the Branch area).  
**CPOTY** - Cumbria Pub of the Year (voted by the members across Cumbria to be the best pub in the county).  
**CCOTY** - Cumbria Club of the Year (voted by the members across Cumbria to be the best club in the county).  
**GBG** - Good Beer Guide entry (selected by the members to be included in this prestigious national CAMRA publication).



**Public Transport**  
 See [www.cumbria.gov.uk/transport-busser](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/transport-busser) for planner and timetables.

**Reays**  
 Service 20 : (M-Sat) Thornhill to Whitehaven (circular) calls at Egremont and Bigrigg.  
 Service 21 : (M-Sat) Frizington to Whitehaven (circular) calls at Wath Brow, Cleator Moor Square and Hensingham.

**Stagecoach**  
 Service 30 : Whitehaven to Thornhill calls at Whitehaven, Hensingham, Bigrigg and Egremont.  
 Service X30 : (M-Sat) Whitehaven to Egremont calls at Bigrigg.  
 Service 31 : Whitehaven to Frizington calls at Cleator Moor.  
 Service 32 : Whitehaven to Frizington calls at Hensingham, Keekle, Cleator Moor, Wath Brow, Cleator and Egremont.

**Pickthall**  
 Service 217 : (W only) two journeys each way only) Cockermouth to Frizington calling at Kirkland, Rowrah and Arlecdon. There are no regular buses serving Ennerdale Bridge.

**FACILITIES SYMBOLS**


See individual premises facility listings

- Quiet premises: free from piped music, jukeboxes, electronic games or TVs (at least one room).
- Family premises: where the licensee guarantees that families are warmly (and legally) welcome and in at least one distinct area of the pub - not just in a corridor or a corner of the main bar or lounge.
- Outdoor drinking area: this may vary from a garden to benches on a pavement or even a village green.
- Accommodation: rooms to let (no assessment of quality or price is made).
- Lunchtime meals: not snacks but substantial fare (including one hot dish) and in the premises itself, not in a separate restaurant.
- Evening meals: as for lunchtime meals; separate restaurants are often mentioned in the premises description.
- Wheelchair access: easy access to the premises and WCs.
- Camping: camping facilities for tents at the premises or within one mile; sometimes caravans are also welcomed and this is often mentioned.
- Bus routes that regularly pass close to the premises and/or is near to a railway station.
- Traditional pub games played.
- Real draught cider (not keg) available.
- Premises has its own car park.
- Dog friendly.
- WiFi access.
- Oversize lined pint glasses: used for some or all beers.


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**Arlecdon**, as the villages around it (Rowrah, Frizington, Keekle and Bigrigg) developed in the 19th century as the Industrial Revolution demanded more and more coal, limestone and high grade iron ore. There was a maze of railways and mines producing materials for the iron works in Cleator Moor and Workington. St Michaels church is Grade II listed and dates back to the 13th century. It was the subject of major restoration at the beginning of the 20th century. **Bigrigg** is located alongside the A595. St Johns church comprising a nave, chancel and bellcoat, was completed in 1878. **Cleator**, St Leonards church was first mentioned in the reign of Henry I (1100-1135). The chancel dates back to the 12th century. There is evidence of an earlier, possible Norman, remains. St Mary's church has a grotto, built in 1927. It was designed to represent the Grotto at Lourdes. **Cleator Moor** has a market square with three sculptures by Conrad Atkinson, born in the town in 1940. They represent the Miner, the Phoenix and the Hand. Close by is a defunct railway bridge which is now part of the C2C cycleway. **Egremont** is a small market town with a Charter since 1267. It is home to the Crab Fair which dates back to the Charter, and the more recent Gurning World Championship. The wide main street is overlooked by the remains of the Norman castle, built about 1130, on a mound above the River Ehen. Part of the wall and the gatehouse are in reasonable repair. About a mile south of the town is Florence Mine, the last working iron ore mine in Europe. **Ennerdale Bridge** is a small village at the southern end of Ennerdale Water, the most westerly of the lakes, and the only one without a road running alongside. It is on Wainwrights Coast to Coast walk. St Mary's church was rebuilt in 1858. It was mentioned in Wordsworth's poem "The Brothers". **Keekle** lies to the north west of Cleator Moor on the road to Hensingham. **Rowrah** is close to the C2C cycleway and Rowrah (Go Kart) Stadium, located in an old limestone quarry. This Guide has been produced by members of the West Cumbria Branch of CAMRA (The Campaign for Real Ale) to promote the excellent real ale premises that we enjoy in our branch area.

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**1 HOUND (The Jerry)**  
Arlecdon, Parks Road (on A5086) CA26 3XE 01946 862162  
[www.hound-inn.co.uk](http://www.hound-inn.co.uk)



4-11 (M-Th) 2-12 (F) 12-12 (Sat) 12-10 (Sun)  
**JENNINGS Bitter, usually plus a changing guest**

Historically known as the "Jerry" (an ale house that also sold spirits), this roadside pub is a "free house" and has a warm and friendly atmosphere, with "craic" being shared by all. Long serving landlady. ☺☺☺(Sun only)☺(M-Sat)☺♠♣♣☺☺

**2 OLD CAPTAINS HOUSE**  
Bigrigg, Springfield Road (on A595) CA22 2NN 01946 810347



*No website currently*  
Closed (M-Tu) 12-12 (M-Sat) 11.45-10 (Sun)

**Varies, a changing guest (often ENNERDALE Blonde)**

Welcoming community pub frequented by locals. Organises local functions (trips, childrens parties etc.) Caters for Sky Sports fans and has weekly live entertainment, Booking advised if dining. ☺☺☺(Sun only)☺(Sat only)♠♣☺☺

**3 BROOK**  
Cleator, 93 Trumpet Terrace CA23 3DX 01946 811635



*No website currently*  
12-12 (M-Th&Sun) 12-1am (F&Sat)

**Varies, two changing guests**

Small, three roomed pub, at the end of a terrace in a semi-rural location. Combination of traditional with stylish modern. Bar area focusing on drinkers. Excellent food, see board for daily changes. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**4 ENNERDALE COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL**  
Cleator, Main Street (on A5806) CA23 3DT 01946 815260



[www.bespokehotels.com/ennerdalehotel](http://www.bespokehotels.com/ennerdalehotel)

12-11 (M-Sun)

**A changing guest (usually from ENNERDALE)**

Impressive, Grade II listed, roadside hotel, set in five acres of landscaped gardens. Bar open to non-residents. Separate restaurant overlooking gardens. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**5 CROWN**  
Cleator Moor, Bowthorn CA25 5JH 01946 810136



*No website currently*  
3-11 (M-Th) 12-2am (F&Sat) 12-11 (Sun)

**Varies, up to three changing (occasionally Robinsons list)**

Situated on the main road through Cleator Moor it has an attractive, authentic feel to both the exterior and interior. Separate lounge with a games and sports flavour, live televised sports is a draw. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**6 PARKSIDE HOTEL**  
Cleator Moor, Parkside CA25 5HF 01946 811001



[www.theparksidehotel.co.uk](http://www.theparksidehotel.co.uk)

3-11 (M-Sat) 12-10.30 (Sun)

**ENNERDALE Blonde, plus an occasional changing guest**

Re-opened in 2015, under new management after major refurbishment. Clean, light and modern spacious interior. Reputation for high quality pub food. Close to C2C cycle path. Area has mining archaeology interest. ☺☺☺☺(Sun only)☺♠☺☺☺

**7 WATH BROW HORNETS RL CLUB**  
Cleator Moor, off Trumpet Road CA23 3EW 01946 811101



*No website currently*  
7-12 (M-Th) 4-1am (F) 11-1am (Sat) 11-12 (Sun)

**MARSTON'S Wainwright, plus a changing guest**

A successful ARLFC fronts this clubhouse open to non members. Liberally adorned with silverware and other trophies. A main bar with a quieter side room, and a function room. Televised sport and a juke box. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**8 KEEKLE INN**  
Keekle, 33, Keekle Terrace CA25 5RQ 01946 812981



*No website currently*  
5-11 (M-Th) 5-12 (F) 12-12 (Sat) 12-11 (Sun)

**A changing guest (usually Cumbrian)**

Set in a terraced row, reflecting its mining and industrial heritage, it has a comfortable feel. Comprises a bar and a lounge. A typical cosy "local" with an open fire for the winter time. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**9 EGREMONT RANGERS ARLFC**  
Egremont, North Road CA22 2PR 01946 820798



[www.pitchero.com/clubs/egremontangers](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/egremontangers)

7-late (M-F) 12-late (Sat&Sun)

**Varies, a changing guest**

Comprises a centrally located bar with Sports TV which also serves a large quiet side function room (available to local community groups). Children curfew from 9pm. Club runs a bar for the Worlds Gurning Competition. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**10 EGREMONT RUFC**  
Egremont, Bleach Green CA22 2NL 01946 820645



[www.pitchero.com/clubs/egremont](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/egremont)

7-10 (Th) Practice night. 12-12.30am (Match days, during season)

**CUMBRIAN LEGENDARY ALES Loweswater Gold**

See website for match dates. Comprises two large rooms with a staffed bar and sports TV. One room potentially quiet, available for meetings, functions etc. Club holds a successful annual Beer Festival in June. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺ **COTY 2016**

**11 WHEATSHEAF**  
Egremont, 24 Market Place CA22 2AG 07534 740554



*No website currently*

12-12 (M-Sun)

**Varies, a changing guest**

Friendly, lively pub, with competitive beer pricing. Extended to incorporate a stage area for live bands every Saturday night. Band jam and open mike sessions on Thursday nights. (☺ upto 7pm)☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**12 FOX & HOUNDS INN**  
Ennerdale Bridge CA23 3AR 01946861373



[www.foxandhoundsinn.org](http://www.foxandhoundsinn.org)

12-11 (M-Th) 11-11 (F&Sat) 12-11 (Sun)

**ENNERDALE (two changing), JENNINGS BITTER and up to two changing guests**

Traditional rural pub. Picturesque setting. Stone flagged floors, exposed beams and Inglenook fireplace. Community owned. Cosy and friendly. Closest pub to the western edge of the Lake District National Park! ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺ **GBG 2015 to 2018**

**13 SHEPHERDS ARMS HOTEL**  
Ennerdale Bridge CA23 3AR 01946 861249



[www.shepherdsarms.com](http://www.shepherdsarms.com)

12-11 (M-Sun)

**Varies, up to seven changing guests (usually Cumbrian)**

Large welcoming hotel featuring a bar, restaurant and conservatory. Popular with Coast to Coast walkers. Daily weather forecasts for fell walkers. Reputation for good homemade food, using local produce. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**14 ENNERDALE BREWERY TAP**  
Rowrah, Chapel Row CA26 3XS 01946 862977



[www.ennerdalebrewery.co.uk](http://www.ennerdalebrewery.co.uk)

8.30-5 (M-Sun)

**ENNERDALE Blonde, Wild Ennerdale, pus up to four changing ENNERDALE beers**

Ennerdale Brewery Tap. Has special themed evenings (see website for details). Facility can be booked for private functions. Brewery tours can be pre booked. Close to Rowrah Kart track. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

**15 STORK HOTEL**  
Rowrah, (on A 5806) CA26 3XJ 01946 861213



[www.storkhotel.co.uk](http://www.storkhotel.co.uk)

6-11.30 (M-F) 12-11.30 (Sat&Sun)

**JENNINGS Bitter, plus up to two changing guests**

A friendly local, focused on food and accommodation. Close to the Coast to Coast walk (with a mini bus collection/pick up service) and Rowrah Karting Track. Offers packed lunches for walkers. ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺

