

2014-2015

AYLESBURY VALE RECOMMENDED VILLAGE PUB GUIDE

WINNER
2014-15



The Rising Sun, Ickford





Aylesbury Vale, **The Vale For All Seasons**, covers over 300 square miles of rolling north Buckinghamshire countryside with busy market towns, enchanting villages and magnificent country houses. Nothing perhaps sums up the spirit of Aylesbury Vale quite as well as the cosy country pub, of which thankfully there are many.



The pubs were judged on a number of criteria including their overall character, friendliness of staff, quality of food and drink, community spirit and family facilities. All pubs were nominated by members of the public, be they contented locals or enchanted visitors. A total of sixteen quality establishments have been selected to appear in this guide.



The Aylesbury Vale Village Pub Competition 2014/15 is sponsored by Dayla. Formerly North and Randall Ltd,

established in 1851, Dayla has grown from a very small mineral water manufacturer into a leading name in the wholesale drinks world. Now run by the third generation of the Cooper family, Dayla today embraces a portfolio of more than 1,500 items. As well as being recognised partner distributors for the national brewers, soft drink manufacturers and cider houses, Dayla also handles over 400 cask conditioned ales from its purpose built chilled store. In addition, the locally famous range of Dayla soft drinks enjoys a very strong following. An ever-growing wine and spirit range completes the full drink package with crisps, nuts and snacks also available. Originally brewers, the family continue to make service their true hallmark.

♿ ACCESSIBILITY: We advise that you contact the pub you plan to visit in advance to check their facilities meet your needs.

KEY: This year we have introduced a symbol system to indicate the average cost of a two course meal per person at each pub. **£** £15 and under **££** Over £15



OVERALL WINNER AND BEST FAMILY PUB RUNNER UP

The Rising Sun, Ickford

Warm, friendly staff equally charming to 'newcomers' as they are with the charismatic 'regulars'.

15th Century thatched pub, exposed timbers and open fire, quality draught real ales, lagers and wines. Comfortable, discreet restaurant, enjoying traditional, freshly cooked food. Occasional themed nights and live music. Quiz nights and traditional games. Large garden, children's play area and bouncy castle. Dog friendly.

Worminghall Road, Ickford, Bucks HP18 9JD
Telephone: 01844 339238
Email: info@risingsunickford.com
Website: www.risingsunickford.com

🕒 OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri: 12pm-2pm & 4pm-11pm
Sat: 12pm-12am
Sun: 12pm-11pm

🍴 FOOD SERVING TIMES **££**

Mon to Fri: Lunch 12pm-2pm
Wed to Fri: Dinner 6.30pm-9pm
Sat: 12pm-2pm & 6.30pm-9pm
Sun: 12pm-3pm

♿ ACCESSIBILITY:

Access via the back doors of the pub for wheelchairs, there is one step at the front door and toilets are a small step up. There are no disabled toilet facilities.



OVERALL RUNNER UP

The Pheasant, Brill

An amazing location & fabulous homemade food.

The Pheasant offers fresh homemade food, with a varied menu catering for everyone. The pub has an open fire which creates a welcoming atmosphere during the cold months and there are three real ales available. The large garden & decking area has spectacular views of the countryside.

39 Windmill Street, Brill, Bucks HP18 9TG
Telephone: 01844 239370

Email: info@thepheasant.co.uk
Website: www.thepheasant.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

Level access at the back of the pub

BEST FOOD PUB AND OVERALL RUNNER UP

The Pointer, Brill

The Pointer is a pub, restaurant, farm and butchers that serves fantastic, simple, seasonal food.

Open fires, dogs welcome, large garden, children's menu, butchers shop, events, weddings and private functions.

27 Church Street, Brill, Aylesbury,
Bucks HP18 9RT

Telephone: 01844 238339
Email: ester@thepointerbrill.co.uk
Website: www.thepointerbrill.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

There are a few steps due to it being an old building

BEST FOOD RUNNER UP

The Mole and Chicken, Easington

No better place to enjoy dinner and the views of Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire countryside.

Open fires, large terrace with fantastic views, living willow house for children, outside BBQ area, children's menu, cater for many dietary requirements.

Easinton Terrace, Near Long Crendon,
Aylesbury, HP18 9EY

Telephone: 01844 208387

Email: enquiries@themoleandchicken.co.uk
Website: www.themoleandchicken.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

Wheelchair accessible and disabled toilets



OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri:
7.30am-11pm
Sat: 8am-11pm
Sun: 8am-10.30pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES ££

Mon to Fri:
7.30am-9.30am &
12pm-2.30pm &
6.30pm-9.30pm
Sat: 8am-10am &
12pm-2.30pm &
6.30pm-9.30pm
Sun: 8am-10am &
12pm-3.30pm &
6pm-9pm

BEST FOOD RUNNER UP

The Old Thatched Inn, Adstock

16th Century inn with its thatched roof and wonderful seasonal flower displays.

Inside a warm welcome with roaring log fires, oak beams and lots of space, with a mixed decor combining modern and contemporary. Daily a la carte menu with fish specials and children's menu.

Main Street, Adstock, Bucks MK18 2JN
Telephone: 01296 712584

Email: enquiries@theoldthatchedinn.co.uk
Website: www.theoldthatchedinn.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

Few steps around the original bar areas



OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri: 12pm-11pm
Sat: 12pm-12am
Sun: 12pm-10.30pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES ££

Mon to Fri:
12pm-2.30pm
& 6pm-9.30pm
Sat: 12pm-3pm &
5pm-9.30pm
Sun: 12pm-8pm

OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri:
12pm-11.30pm
(Last orders 10.45pm)
Mon-Thurs &
11.45pm Fri)
Sat: 12pm-12.30am
(Last orders 11.45pm)
Sun: 12pm-11pm
(Last orders 11.30pm)

FOOD SERVING TIMES ££

Mon to Fri:
12pm-2pm &
6.30pm-9.30pm
Sat: 12pm-2pm &
6.30pm-9.30pm
Sun: 12pm-6pm



OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri:
2.30pm-10.30pm
Tues to Thurs:
12pm-11pm
Fri: 12pm-12am
Sat: 10am-12am
Sun: 12pm-10.30pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES ££

Tues to Fri:
12pm-2.30pm &
6.30pm-9pm
Sat: 6.30pm-10pm
Sun: 1pm-5pm



BEST FAMILY PUB

The Old Fisherman, Shabbington

☉ OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri:
11am-11pm
Sat: 11am-11pm
Sun: 11am-11pm

✕ FOOD SERVING TIMES £

Mon to Fri:
11am-10pm
Sat: 11am-10pm
Sun: 11am-10pm

A real English pub offering great value and priceless views.

Large garden, riverside location, alfresco dining, wood burning stoves, dogs welcome, outdoor play area, children's menu, theme nights, real ales, fine wines.

Mill Road, Shabbington, Bucks HP18 9HJ
Telephone: 01844 201247
Email: 6673@greeneking.co.uk
Website: www.oldenglishinns.co.uk

♿ ACCESSIBILITY:

There is level access into the dining room and large print menus available.



BEST COMMUNITY PUB

The Rose and Crown, Ivinghoe

☉ OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri: 12pm-11pm
Sat: 12pm-11pm
Sun: 12pm-11pm

✕ FOOD SERVING TIMES ££

Wed to Fri: 12pm-3pm &
6.30pm-9.30pm
Sat: 12pm-3pm &
6.30pm-9.30pm
Sun: 12pm-3pm

A community pub owned and run by local people for the enjoyment of all.

Traditional 16th Century pub & restaurant, contemporary interior, located in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, open fire and courtyard garden, freshly prepared meals and local ales, host to cycling and photography clubs, dogs welcome.

Vicarage Lane, Ivinghoe, Bucks LU7 9EQ
Telephone: 01296 668472
Email: info@roseandcrownivinghoe.com
Website: www.roseandcrownivinghoe.com

♿ ACCESSIBILITY:

A few steps around the building, hearing loop and large print menus available.

BEST COMMUNITY PUB RUNNER UP

The Eight Bells, Long Crendon

A great place to meet, relax and enjoy a drink and fantastic fresh, seasonal food.

Traditional English pub, local real ales, speciality lagers & ciders, fresh seasonal menus, 'Little Tummy's' menu, pizza takeaway, dog friendly, fantastic garden & patio including garden games, pub quizzes, live music, themed events and beer festivals.

51 High Street, Long Crendon,
Bucks HP18 9AL
Telephone: 01844 208244
Email: hello@8bellspub.com
Website: www.8bellspub.com

♿ ACCESSIBILITY:

A few steps around the building.



☉ OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri: 12pm-11pm
Sat: 10pm-11pm
Sun: 10pm-11pm

✕ FOOD SERVING TIMES ££

Mon to Fri:
Lunch & Dinner
12pm to 9pm
Sat: Breakfast 10am-
12pm Lunch & Dinner
12pm-9pm
Sun: Breakfast 10am-
12pm Lunch 12pm-4pm
Mon to Sun: Pizza
Takeaway 12pm-9.30pm

CONSISTENTLY EXCELLENT

The Unicorn, Cublington

Consistently good food, wines, beers, ambience and service, whatever the occasion.

Traditional 17th Century pub and restaurant with real ales, fine wines, set price 2/3 course menu, a la carte, bar snacks, private dining in adjoining clubroom, log fires, rear garden, dog friendly, village shop, baby changing facilities and regular special events. See website for full picture.

High Street, Cublington, Bucks LU7 0LQ
Telephone: 01296 681261
Email: theunicornpub@btconnect.com
Website: www.theunicornpub.co.uk

♿ ACCESSIBILITY:

Wheelchair access and disabled toilet facilities.



☉ OPENING HOURS

Mon to Thurs:
12pm-3pm & 5pm-11pm
Fri: 10.30am-12am
Sat: 9.30am-12am
Sun: 12pm-10pm

✕ FOOD SERVING TIMES ££

Mon to Fri: 12pm-2pm
& 6.30pm-9pm
Sat: 9.30am-11am,
12pm-2pm &
6.30pm-9.30pm
Sun: 12pm-4pm



HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

The Seven Stars, Dinton

A traditional British pub with a flare of Francais.

Bienvenue to a beautiful 16th Century pub and restaurant tucked away in the picturesque village of Dinton. Enjoy a homemade, freshly cooked meal made with only the finest local produce in the restaurant, bar, snug or large beer garden. Free wifi and private parties also available.

Stars Lane, Dinton, Bucks HP17 8UL
Telephone: 01296 749000
Email: steph@sevenstarsdinton.com
Website: www.sevenstarsdinton.com

ACCESSIBILITY:

Disabled parking and wheelchair access to the bar and restaurant.

FINALIST

The Bull and Butcher, Akeley

We've upped the steaks at the Bull & Butcher.

Fine home-cooked food, spectacular Sunday lunches, lovely gardens, log fires and excellent real ales.

The Square, Akeley, Buckingham,
Bucks MK18 5HP
Telephone: 01280 860769
Email: bullandbutcherakeley@gmail.com
Website: www.bullandbutcherakeley.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

A few steps around the building.

FINALIST

The Crown, Cuddington

Perfect stop for all the family in an idyllic country village with great food.

Excellent food cooked by our dedicated chefs, dogs welcome in bar area, patio area for outdoor dining, roaring fire during winter months, selection of well-kept beer, fantastic wine list.

Aylesbury Road, Cuddington, Bucks HP18 0BB
Telephone: 01844 292222

Email: info@thecrowncuddington.co.uk
Website: www.thecrowncuddington.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

We have ramp access for customers who use wheelchairs.

FINALIST

The Hundred of Ashendon, Ashendon

Genuinely seasonal British food, locally sourced with a menu that changes daily.

17th Century building with original features, restaurant & bar menus, local ales, extensive wine list, open fire, dogs welcome in bar, fresh coffee, family friendly, garden and spectacular views, great local walks, five B&B rooms.

Lower End, Ashendon, Bucks HP18 0HE
Telephone: 01296 651296

Email: info@thehundred.co.uk
Website: www.thehundred.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

Due to the age of the building it is not ideal for wheelchair access.



OPENING HOURS

Mon: 12pm-3pm
& 6pm-11pm
Sat: 12pm-3pm &
6pm-11pm
Sun: 12pm-10pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES

Mon to Fri: 12pm-2pm
& 6pm-9pm
Sat: 12pm-2pm
& 6pm - 9pm
Sun: 12pm - 3pm



OPENING HOURS

Mon: 12pm-3pm &
6pm-11pm
Tues to Fri: 12pm-3pm
& 5pm-11pm
Sat: 12pm-11pm
Sun: 12pm-11pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES

Mon: Closed
Tues to Fri: 12pm -
2.30pm & 6pm-9pm
Sat: 12pm-2.30pm
& 6pm-9pm
Sun: 12pm-4pm



OPENING HOURS

Mon: Closed
Tues to Fri: 12pm-3pm
& 6pm-11pm
Sat: 11.30am-11pm
Sun: 12pm-10.30pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES

Mon: Closed
Tues to Fri: 12pm -
2.30pm &
6.45pm-9pm
Sat: 12pm-2.30pm
& 6.45pm - 9pm
Sun: 12pm - 3pm



FINALIST

The Robin Hood Inn, Bufflers Holt

Traditional country food pub, perfect for families or evenings out with friends.

Home-cooked food, steak night Tuesday, traditional Sunday roast, children's menu, gluten & lactose free options, local cask ales, open fire, dogs welcome, garden & patio area, smoking shelter, outdoor play area, car parking.

Bufflers Holt, Buckingham, MK18 5DN
Telephone: 01280 813387
Email: theshirescountrypubs@hotmail.com
Website: www.therobinhoodbuckingham.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

Only one step inside (restaurant area on one level).

FINALIST

The Lowndes Arms, Whaddon

A perfect stop for walkers, cyclists and tired, hungry travellers.

Beautiful 17th Century Listed building with a wood burner in an Inglenook fireplace, beams, themed food evenings, speciality steaks, children's menu, dogs welcome, large garden with spectacular views, outdoor play area, events catered for, en-suite accommodation and large car park.

4 High Street, Whaddon, MK17 0NA
Telephone: 01908 501706
E-mail: info@lowndesarmsph.co.uk
Website: www.lowndesarms.com

ACCESSIBILITY:

Large print menus on request, one step and grab handles at side entrance.

FINALIST

The Chandos Arms, Weston Turville

The only family friendly, family run pub in the village.

Large sun trap garden with children's area, homemade main menu (meats are sourced from local supplier Kings Farm), seniors and children's menus available, themed food nights (including our famous Jamaican evenings!), live music, open log fire, dogs and owners always welcome!

1 Main Street, Weston Turville, HP22 5RR
Telephone: 01296 613532
email: info@chandosarmswestonturville.co.uk
Website: www.chandosarmswestonturville.co.uk

ACCESSIBILITY:

We have access in the dining room for people with walking difficulties or for those who use wheelchairs



OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri: 12pm-3pm
& 5.30pm-11pm
Sat: 12pm-11pm
Sun: 12pm-10pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES

Mon to Fri: 12pm-2pm
& 6pm-9pm
Sat: 12pm-2.30pm &
5.30pm-9.30pm
Sun: 12pm-8pm

OPENING HOURS

Mon to Thurs:
12pm-11pm
Fri & Sat: 12pm-12am
Sun: 12pm-10.30pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES

Mon to Fri: 12pm -
3pm & 6pm-9pm
Sat: 12pm-3pm
& 6pm-9pm
Sun: 12pm-5pm

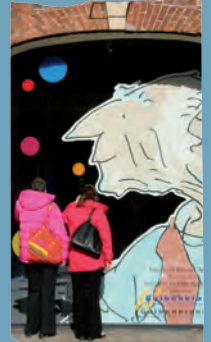


OPENING HOURS

Mon to Fri: 12pm-11pm
Sat: 9am-11pm
Sun: 9am-10pm

FOOD SERVING TIMES

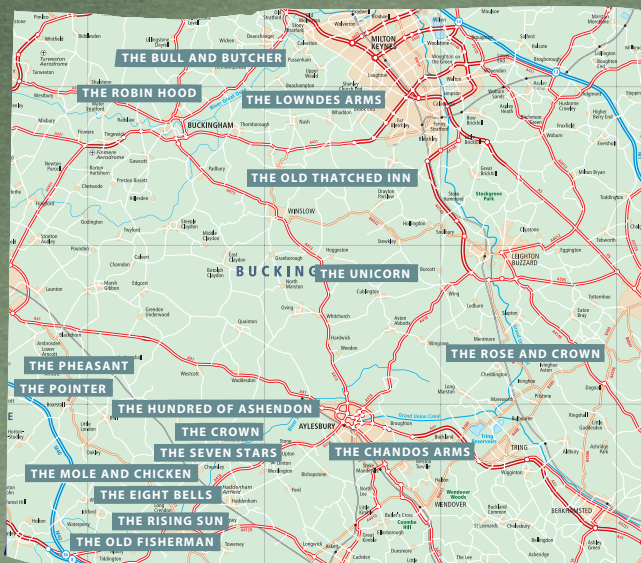
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& 5pm-9pm
Sat: 9am-9pm
Sun: 9am-6pm



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Aylesbury Visitor Information Centre

The King's Head Passage, off Market Square,
Aylesbury, HP20 2RW

Tel. (01296) 330559

Email: vic@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

Buckingham Tourist Information Centre

The Old Gaol, Market Hill, Buckingham, MK18 1JX

Tel. (01280) 823020

Email: buckinghamtmc@tourismse.com

www.visitbuckinghamshire.org

www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

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