

## Real Ale and Local Pubs Group

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Pub or brewery visited: Royal Oak, Poringland

Website of pub or brewery: [www.poringlandroyaloak.co.uk](http://www.poringlandroyaloak.co.uk)

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### Beers sampled

Brewery	Name of beer	ABV %	Tasting notes
Acorn	Barnsley Bitter	3.8	Dark, hoppy, a bit thin
Buttcombe	Great Grey Owl	3.6	Tangy, floral. Mixed opinions
Copper Dragon, Skipton	Golden Pippet	3.9	Pale, easy drinking. Good for a hot sunny day
Skinner's, Truro	Lushingtons	4.2	Light summer beer, tastier than GP (above)
Rock, Cornwall	Doombar	4.0	A more traditional ale. Well balanced but undemanding
Woodfordes	Nelson's Rvenge	4.5	Well balanced pleasant beer. The favourite of the session
Brewsmith, Bury (Don't confuse with others of similar name)	Brewsmiths Pale	4.2	Sharp/dry grapefruit. Pleasantly strong aftertaste

### Ownership of pub and name (status) of proprietor

E.g. Brewery tied house/PubCo/Free House; Landlord/Owner/Tenant/Manager etc.

Free house. First licenced in early 1900s

### Overall Impression of Pub / Other Notes

Friendly pub that always stocks a good range of guest beers. Food choice a bit limited but adequate.

Number attending: 10

**Post Script:** Greater Anglia changed their timetable so the return bus terminated at Bungay. Hence we had to wait in the Green Dragon until the next Halesworth bus arrived. Their Chaucer Ale (3.7%) and Bridge Street Bitter (4.5%) showed their quality and taste after the selection of lighter beers in Poringland.