

THE GOOD PUB GUIDE 2012

NEWS FROM THE REGIONS

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Published today, Thursday 6 October, *The Good Pub Guide 2012* (Ebury Press, £15.99) celebrates 30 years of finding great pubs. Comprehensive yearly updates and countless reader reports ensure that only the very best pubs make the grade.

This year the guide is divided into 9 regions: The South West, The South East & London, The East of England, The East Midlands, The Heart of England, The North West, The North East & Yorkshire, Scotland and Wales. Each section lists *Editor's Favourites*, *Top Pubs* and *Also Worth A Visit*.

THE EAST MIDLANDS

Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire, Rutland

EAST MIDLANDS PUB OF THE YEAR

Bear, Alderwasley, Derbyshire

"Readers can't heap enough praise on this terrific all-rounder. Justifiably popular, this happy character-laden tavern has lovely dark low-beamed rooms with warming open fires and a cheerful miscellany of antique furniture" – Fiona Stapley, joint editor of The Good Pub Guide.

Licensee: Pete Buller Tel: 01629 822585

NATIONAL AWARD WINNER FROM THE REGION



Tobie Morris, Stamford (Lincolnshire) has won The Good Pub Guide's award for **NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR**

"...a captivating refurbishment of a medieval building, with good food and drink and a great atmosphere" – Fiona Stapley, joint editor of The Good Pub Guide.

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COUNTY DINING PUBS OF THE YEAR

Every year *The Good Pub Guide* selects one pub in each county as *County Dining Pub of the Year*. The 2012 winners are:

DERBYSHIRE **Bear**, Alderwasley Licensee: Pete Buller Tel: 01629 822585

LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND **Marquess of Exeter**, Lyddington Licensee: Brian Baker Tel: 01572 822477

LINCOLNSHIRE **Chequers**, Woolsthorpe Licensee: Justin Chad Tel: 01476 870701

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE **Falcon**, Fotheringhay Licensee: Sally Facer Tel: 01832 226254

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE **Martins Arms**, Colston Bassett Licensees: Lynne Strafford, Bryan & Salvatore Inguanta Tel: 01949 81361

PUBS IN THE REGION THAT FEATURED HIGHLY FOR NATIONAL AWARDS

- ❖ **Devonshire Arms**, Pilsley (Derbyshire), **Wheatsheaf**, Woodhouse Eaves (Leicestershire) and **Olive Branch**, Clipsham (Rutland) named as a *Top 11 Inn of the Year*
- ❖ **New Inn**, Peggs Green (Leicestershire) named as a *Top 10 Unspoilt Pub*
- ❖ **Church Inn**, Chelmorton and **Red Lion**, Litton (Derbyshire) named as a *Top 10 Value Pub*
- ❖ **Tobie Norris**, Stamford (Lincolnshire), **Malt Shovel**, Northampton, **Black Horse**, Caythorpe (Nottinghamshire) and **Grainstore**, Oakham (Rutland) named as a *Top 10 Own Brew Pub*
- ❖ **Malt Shovel**, Northampton and **Grainstore**, Oakham (Rutland) named as a *Top 10 Beer Pub*
- ❖ **Tobie Morris**, Stamford a *Top 10 Town Pub*
- ❖ Julie and Justin Satur of **Church Inn**, Chelmorton and Suzi Turner, **Red Lion**, Litton (Derbyshire) named as *Top 10 Landlords*