

Real Ale and Local Pubs Group

Date: 3 September 2026

Pub visited: **The Lion, Theberton**

Website of pub: www.thebertonlion.co.uk

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Beers sampled

Brewery	Name of beer	ABV %	Tasting notes
Earl Soham	Victoria Bitter	3.6	Landlord's note "Session Bitter with Fruity & delicate spicey notes. Easy drinking with a malty taste." Pleasant to start.
Crouch Vale	Brewer's Gold	4.0	Accurately described on pump clip as "A light thirst quenching brew." Supreme Champion 2005 & 2006 Gt British Beer Festival. A tad more hop flavour than the Victoria.
Green Jack	Trawler Boys Best Bitter	4.6	Good honest best bitter. Very good with the food that was served, having more body than the above two.
Nethergate	Augustinian Copper Ale	4.5	A favourite of the landlord. Brewed in July and November. Very tasty. Good balance of slightly citrusy hops and malt.
The Old Cannon Brewery	Perfect Storm Old Ale	4.6	Malty Old Ale with cacao notes. Very dry hoppy flavour on the malt base

The pub

Tom Lagdon is the owner, proprietor and landlord of this freehouse. He is enthusiastic about his beers, which are selected and kept well. Voted **Rural Pub of the Year, 2024** by Ipswich and East Suffolk CAMRA. Friendly and helpful service. Good food. Beer can be served in 4-pint jugs. 1/3 pint glasses, as well as halves, are available. Dogs welcome. Often has beer evenings with a guest brewer in attendance. The traditional outside toilets are unfortunately (in my unrepresentative opinion) due to be replaced by modern indoor loos.

No. Attending: 15







