

Local Campaigning Newsletter Supporting Pubs Goes Online



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The Surrey Hants Borders Branch of CAMRA, the Campaign for Real Ale, has today launched it's first 100% digital version of it's award winning newsletter, News & Ale. For over 20 years the newsletter has been distributed free of charge to pubs all over Surrey and parts of Hampshire, promoting real ale and pubs across the area.

Whilst having been available on line for many years, this is the first time Issue 142 will only be available in a digital format. This is a temporary change, in response to the current coronovirus pandemic and although pubs are sadly all closed at the moment, there remains a real need to support them.

The magazine can be read here:

surrey.camra.org.uk/news-and-ale

and also downloaded as a .pdf

surrey.camra.org.uk/news-and-ale-download

As well as the usual range of campaigning features, crossword and a quiz as well as the latest on the campaign by a local community group to buy their local pub, the White Lion in Aldershot. The main content of the newsletter however is a comprehensive listing of all the pubs and breweries that are providing additional services across the area. These range from many offering takeaway beer and food or providing local delivery services, to others that are are demonstrating their key roll in and support for their local communities.

Examples include the **Snow Goose in Farnborough** that is operating a collection point, cost price shop for key workers and also a food drop off collection point in conjunction with Rushmoor Voluntary Services. Or the **Garibaldi at Knaphill** near Woking who operating a takeaway and delivery service with free delivery but asking for donations to Woking & Sam Beare Hospice & Well Being Care and then doubling the value of all that they receive.

Surrey Hants Borders Branch Chairman, Mick Bell said; "The lockdown has brought home just how important local pubs are to communities and in tackling loneliness and social isolation. It is vital that we give pubs the support they need to be able to survive and thrive in the months and years ahead. However we can also help them now and where they can people should support their local pubs and breweries and use the takeaway services on offer. It is still possible to buy great real ale safely during lockdown from breweries such as Ascot, Craft Brews or Hogs Back that are offering collection services."



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About Surrey Hants Borders CAMRA:

The Surrey Hants Borders Branch, is one of the largest branches of CAMRA, the Campaign for Real Ale, with over 1500 members. The Branch covers a large area, stretching over 30 miles along the Surrey & Hampshire Borders, encompassing approximately 500 pubs. The major towns in the areas are Aldershot, Camberley, Farnborough, Farnham, Fleet, Guildford & Woking. Our vision is to have quality real ale and thriving pubs in every community.

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Supporting our pubs and breweries during lockdown
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take-outs and deliveries.

The quarterly CAMRA magazine for beer drinkers in Surrey, Kingston-upon-Thames, and the Surrey/Hants borders