



Liverpool CAMRA Newsletter

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Editorial

We would normally be producing our Summer MerseyAle now, but for obvious reasons, it's not viable. However, as a branch we continue to support pubs and breweries where possible. Nationally, CAMRA have launched a Brew2You app to make finding and buying beer easier, further details in this newsletter. We realise that's it not practical for all breweries to deliver via the app, and therefore will continue to maintain a separate list on the website.

During this time, the Branch Webmaster has taken the opportunity to revamp the website. Please bear with us while we continue to add content

In March we mentioned the threat to the Roscoe Head. We have a update in this newsletter on the current campaign.

We are looking at ways we can support pubs and breweries when they reopen, once our plans are confirmed we will share this on our social media and the website. At the moment the 4th July has been mentioned, but with the lack of a definite date and social distancing in place its unlikely most pubs will be ready or able to open on this date. Please follow us on social media where we will share updates.

Whatever you do, StaySafe and I hope it's not too long before we are enjoying some locale beers in one of the many excellent pubs in Merseyside.

Mel James-Henry
Editor, MerseyAle

Pub and Brewery Takeout's/ Deliveries

During the lockdown a number of pubs and local breweries have offered takeout and/or delivery services. These are the ones we are aware of.

When ordering or buying beer please follow the NHS advice on Covid-19, stay at home wherever possible, and adhere to social distancing when leaving the house for essential reasons:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19

Black Lodge Brewery

Delivery via online order only.

Website: www.blacklodgebrewing.co.uk/store

Contact: hello@blacklodgebrewing.co.uk

Bundobust Liverpool

Online shop for beers, with delivery charge.

Offers on spending over certain amounts (free shipping at £40)

See website and social media feed for more details. www.patels.bundobust.com

Carnival Brewing

Online Store, canned beers by delivery from website.

Website: www.carnivalbrewing.me/shop

Contact: carnivalbrewingsales@gmail.com

Chapter Brewing

Cans can be bought in cases of 6, 12 or 24

Mini kegs available - collection or courier available.

Website: www.chapterbrewing.co.uk/online-shop/

CRAFT Taproom

Online shop with Delivery and collection available.

Draught keg and cask.

Check social media for updates on availability and menu.

Website: www.crafttaproom.myshopify.com

Contact via Facebook: www.facebook.com/craftliverpool

The Grapes

Takeaways occasionally available.

Check Social Media feeds for details when open.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/79604295723/

Twitter: twitter.com/LiverpoolGrapes

Handyman Brewery

Bottled beer and mini kegs available with IPA; pale and sour will be added in next few weeks. Their raspberry wheat /weisse was a big hit.

Online shop with deliveries to local postcodes.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/handymansupermarket/

Website: www.handyman-brewery.myshopify.com

Hobo Kiosk

Off sales (collection only) on Wednesday and Friday 2-6pm

Contactless payments only pre-arranged

Detail on Social Media channels where orders can be placed.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/Hobokiosk/

Twitter: twitter.com/hobokiosk

Liverpool Brewing Company

Delivering across the region, Liverpool, Sefton and Wirral

Deliveries can be for individual purchases, or people can sign up for the subscription service to get weekly, fortnightly, or monthly deliveries of:

2.2 Ltr Reusable Beer Grenade

6 x 500ml Bottles

12 x 500ml Bottles

5 Ltr Mini Keg

Order via Website: www.liverpoolbrewingco.com/

Love Lane Brewery

Online Shop for Delivery or click and collect.

Website: www.lovelanebeer.com/shop-page

Contact: www.lovelanebrewing.com/get-in-touch

The Masonic Garston

Off sales (collection only) daily 2-6pm

Selection of cask and keg beers

Details on facebook

Facebook: www.facebook.com/TheMasomicGarston

Neptune Brewery

Take outs available from the taproom;

Friday 3pm to 5pm and Saturday 1pm to 3pm;

4 draught beers, available in 2 pints and 4 pints cartons.

Website: www.neptunebrewery.com/cans

Email: info@neptunebrewery.com

Rock the Boat Brewery

Beer in a Box available for delivery.

Website: www.rocktheboatbrewery.co.uk

Email: beer@rocktheboatbrewery.co.uk

The Ship and Mitre

Deliveries of various beers available.

Stock changes daily, so email to find out availability, place orders and arrange payments.

Text or whatsapp: 07817485638

Website: www.theshipandmitre.com/whats/

Email for orders: stevedobby@hotmail.co.uk

Top Rope Brewing

Online shop for deliveries

Website: www.topropebrewing.com/shop

Email: topropebrewing@gmail.com

The Little Tap on Aigburth Road

Bottles, cans and draught available in 2pint containers

Order and pay online for delivery to following postcodes L1 L2 L3* L8 L15 L17 L18 L19

(*excluding L3 0xx, L3 6xx, L3 7xx, L3 9xx)

Or Order and pay online for collection from premises

Or buy direct from pub, pay with card/ gift vouchers only

Website: www.aigburthtap.co.uk/shop

Twitter: twitter.com/AigburthTap

The Four Ashes (Waterloo)

Take out only, card or cash payment.
£3 a pint. Menu updated on Facebook or Twitter.
Bring your own clean reusable container or containers available to purchase.
Opening times are Fri 4-6.30pm / Saturday 3-6.30pm.
Twitter: twitter.com/TheFourAshes
Facebook: www.facebook.com/thefourashes

CASK Micropub (West Derby)

Bottle selection and Cask beer carton fills; Times 17:00-19:30
Direct message or text for delivery/collection 07562713967
Twitter: twitter.com/LiverpoolCask

The Dead Crafty Beer Company

Pre-order via [Untapped](https://untapped.co.uk)
Orders and enquiries via email: deadcraftybeerco@gmail.com
Facebook: www.facebook.com/thedeadcraftybeercompany/

Kazimier Garden

Selling beers and cocktails for delivery and collection.
Draught pours available fresh (5 miles radius);
Draught and small package available.
Website: <https://goodeats.io/bossbevs>
Twitter: <https://twitter.com/kazimiergarden>

Big Bog Brewing Company

Collection of Draught beer fills (bring sterilised containers).
Bottle conditioned (500ml) versions of our Hinkypunk, Quagmire and Padi, Peat Bog Porter will be available soon.
Details and info: https://twitter.com/Big_Bog_Brewing
Canning equipment has been bought and the Strawberry fields brands will be canned in due course.

Shindigger (Liverpool)

Based out of Glen Affric Brewery.
Order online, £25 minimum order and beer is delivered.
Delivery to Liverpool/Wirral and as far as Chester, Sefton and Knowsley
Website: www.shindiggerliverpool.delivery

Stamps Brewery (Crosby)

Weekly Beer-Bag-in-Box deliveries available.
Order and pay via website.
Website: www.stampsbar.co.uk/product-category/bag-in-box-beer

The Volunteer Canteen (Waterloo)

Collection only, 4-6pm Thur/Fri/Sat, card payment;
Menu updated on Facebook page.
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/thevolunteercanteen/>

Shenanigans, Tithebarn

Takeaway service including Guinness in a milk bottle.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/hashtag/guinnessinamilkbottle

To find more pubs offering takeaway or delivery services, please visit [whatpub.com](https://www.whatpub.com)

This list will be kept upto date on our website: www.liverpoolcamra.org.uk/index.php/pulling-together

CAMRA have also launched a mobile app to help people order their favourite drink locally! Visit brew2you.co.uk to download

Neptune Brewery News

Neptune ‘When the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown hit the hospitality trade, Neptune set up a crowdfunder campaign to support the brewery. The target was greatly exceeded and we were overwhelmed by the support from our local community and beyond.

Following later government guidelines, we adapted and opened the taproom under limited times of a Friday and Saturday for draught take out in two and four pint containers. During this time we would have been celebrating our 5th birthday as a brewery, so although our plans didn’t go ahead exactly how we had imagined, we have been selling our birthday beers brewed in collaboration with Marble, Anarchy, Anspach and Hobday and USA based brewery, Neptune’s Brewery.

Alongside draught take out, we have continued to can our beer and have been racking 5L mini casks - which have proven very popular and we plan to continue selling these.

During this time we also decided to give our taproom a small makeover, including an extension to the bar, a few more seats for customers and refresh of decor.

Despite the proposed set guidance of 2 or 1 metres, this isn’t viable for Neptune to fully reopen, and we will not open until it’s safe to do so.’

Julie O’Grady
Neptune Brewery

Pub News

Stamps Crosby

Stamps MIGHT have an outside area to serve from, but this is still in the pipeline. Website: <https://www.stampsbar.co.uk/>

Craft Taproom

Craft Taproom, Smithdown, lease is currently up for sale as a going concern.

Save the Roscoe Head Update

The Roscoe Head pub in Liverpool has been included in every edition of The Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) Good Beer Guide. CAMRA’s good beer guide is a renowned book for promoting only the best local pubs, following a voting process, and the Roscoe Head has been chosen for 47 Years.

There have only been 5 pubs throughout the country that are known to have appeared in every edition.

Liverpool & Districts CAMRA Branch became involved in the fight to save the Roscoe Head back in 2015 when the pub was sold by its then owners Punch Taverns, a large pub owning businesses (Pubco), to NewRiver REIT Plc (another Pubco) which came with various rumours that the Roscoe was under threat with closure.

That fight was won and the Roscoe continued to sell excellent pints and be included in the GBG.

NewRiver have since formed their own pub owning company, Hawthorn Leisure, and the Roscoe has been transferred to this new Pubco.

An application to have the pub listed as an Asset of Community Value (ACV) was submitted by Carol Ross (leaseholder of the Roscoe) and was accepted by Liverpool City Council. This gives the listed property some additional planning protection in that the Planning Authority have to take cognisance of the fact that an ACV is in place if a planning application is submitted for a change of use. It also allows time for a community group to submit a bid to purchase the pub.

The current ACV expires in September 2020 and The Liverpool & Districts CAMRA Branch set out to seek support for a further application to be submitted to ensure there was no lapse in the ACV cover.

CAMRA succeeded in obtaining support, via the Liverpool & Districts CAMRA Branch website and its social media platforms, from 65 local residents enabling an unincorporated community group, "Save The Roscoe Head 2020", to be formed with Steve Downing, a local CAMRA member, acting as their spokesperson.

The new application is awaiting verification by Liverpool City Council.

We continue to support Carol and will be sharing any future campaigns on the Liverpool & Districts CAMRA Branch website.

Steve Downing quoted

"Roscoe - a Liverpool name and a pub to savour. One of England's best city centre pubs is found in Liverpool - the Roscoe Head named after William Roscoe MP for Liverpool elected in 1806. He fought for the right to vote to a greater number of people and to abolish slavery. Fittingly the Roscoe Head serves its local community with licensee Carol Ross and her staff welcoming customers local and visitors alike as they enter the small bar and snug from the Roscoe street. With two small lounges the Roscoe shows how to divide a small pub into series of spaces making it a comfortable and welcoming place to spend time - how we have missed it!

The Roscoe is a unique example of a community led city centre hostelry fully deserving its ACV status which is up for renewal. It is family run Carol following on from her parents Nicky and Margaret Joyce. It has long been a favourite with CAMRA who entered it in the first Good Beer guide in 1974 and it has been in this top selling pub guide ever since which makes it extra special nationally. A true city centre local that is nationally renowned - the famous Roscoe Head."

Pub leaseholders belonging to Pubco owning chains with more than 500 pubs have extra rights under the pubs code such as MRO (market rent only), but Hawthorne / NewRiver do not fall under this scheme due to their pub numbers, so Carol does not have this safety net in her lease.

Graham Murray

Pubs Protection Officer.

Supporting pubs as they reopen with CAMRA's #PullingTogether Campaign



We are all looking forward to the end of lockdown, and seeing our loved local pubs reopen their doors. Now more than ever, your local needs your help! We are calling for everyone to pull together to support pubs, clubs, breweries and taprooms as they come out of lockdown.

Pubs need our custom to support them during this period of reopening. Hopefully, you will now be thinking about your first trip back to the pub. Sadly, we don't expect all pubs to be able to reopen straight away, so we are still encouraging you to support those that can't by using takeaway or delivery services near you.

Many pubs have found different, innovative ways to weather the crisis – such as launching hot food deliveries or encouraging locals to buy 'gift cards' valid once they have reopened. Many pubs have gone the extra mile during lockdown to continue supporting their local communities, and you can help support them in return.

We know that these pubs will still be offering takeaway and delivery services – please also think about continuing to use them, especially if you aren't able to go to pubs in person yet:

See above article.

To find pubs, ciders and breweries offering takeaway or delivery services, you can also visit our service brew2you.co.uk to find fresh local beer, cider and perry to order for takeaway or delivery. Brew2You is also available as a smartphone app – check it out in the App Store or on Google Play.

You can find more information on lockdown initiatives and the Pulling Together campaign on camra.org.uk/pullingtogether

Furlough scheme announcement could spell death knell for pubs

Responding to the announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that under the furlough scheme businesses will be asked to contribute national insurance and pension contributions from August, 10% of wages in September and 20% of wages in October, CAMRA Chief Executive Tom Stainer 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.

“The introduction of flexibility in the furlough scheme that will allow people to work part time is welcome news for pubs and their staff. However, the harsh reality of this announcement is that many pubs just won't be able to pay towards wages, National Insurance and pension contributions on top of existing costs and during periods of reduced trade due to social distancing measures reducing capacity.

“Those smaller pubs that are unsuitable for social distancing, as well as those in Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales that might not be able to re-open until much later in the year, won’t have any income at all to pay these extra staff costs.

“This will leave pubs with an impossible choice between taking on more debt, letting staff go, or calling it a day and closing down their businesses for good.

“The Government should look again at this announcement and consider applying a flexible furlough arrangement for pubs until later in the year, helping them survive restricted re-openings. Otherwise I fear we will see many jobs lost and pubs not being able to survive and having to close for good.”

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Beer Day Britain

Despite pubs being closed Beer Day Britain still went ahead this year with many people raising a glass of their favourite ale at 7pm on 16th June. This year, social media played a big part, allowing people to celebrate and spread their love of beer by posting pictures of themselves enjoying a beer, or two at home and in their gardens. There was also a special event held in the Red (On)Lion. We can only hope that next year we are able to celebrate the event in one of our many fantastic local pubs and make it a day to remember.

Jacky Moore.

19.11.1965 – 02.06.2020.

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of Jacky Moore after a long battle against Cancer.

Jacky was the joint owner, with her husband Pat, of The Liverpool Pigeon, Merseyside’s first micropub, twice local branch pub of the year and the catalyst for the explosion of micropubs in this branch and adjoining ones. She was a knowledgeable and passionate advocate of real ale for 30 years, beginning in her early 20s, in many ways a rare thing those days for a woman, but it illustrates Jacky’s pioneering outlook towards real ale and pubs.

A CAMRA member for over 2 decades, Jacky was a regular attendee at CAMRA socials and the Liverpool Beer Festival, where she often worked as a bar volunteer passing on her knowledge of real ale. Her enthusiasm for real ale was shown during the 2008 Capital of Culture Year beer festival which included an event aimed at introducing women to real ale. The organisers asked Jacky to host and present the event, expecting a few invited guests to turn up. On opening the doors that “few” had increased to 120. Undeterred, Jacky rallied to the task and made the evening a great success. When the branch developed similar social events about 2 years later, Jacky always brought along a group of friends - most of whom are now ardent real ale drinkers.

A popular figure in the local real ale scene, Jacky was known by and friends with many publicans such as John O’Dowd (Lion Tavern & Belvedere), Simon Holt (Baltic Fleet), Paddy Byrne (Pen Factory), and Dave Williams (Dispensary), as well as pub goers she would meet in pubs and on trips.

We extend our thoughts and best wishes to Pat, and to the families of Jacky and Pat.

Website

We are in the process of revamping our website. Unfortunately, this has involved developing a new website from scratch. This includes a new homepage with clearer links and easier to find content. Please bear with us while we continue to develop the website. If there's any content you think should be added, please email me, webmaster@liverpoolcamra.org.uk

Social Media

Please follow our Social Media Channel's to keep upto date with news and campaigns.

Facebook: [CAMRALiverpool](#)

Twitter: [LiverpoolCAMRA](#)

Instagram: [liverpoolcamra](#)

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