

# The Hertfordshire Real Ale Passport

**Hertfordshire Pubs Week  
29 August – 5 September 09**

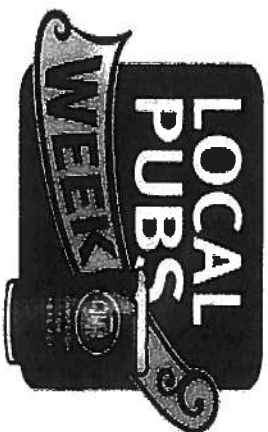
## Community Pubs

We've all read in the press about the plight of Britain's pubs. Latest figures show that pubs are closing at the rate of 50 per month with no signs of brighter days ahead. The next pub might be in your town or village. Economic downturn, cheap supermarket booze, tough pub rents, changes in society and the way we live. These are all factors contributing to the most sustained attack on one of Britain's most loved and unique institutions – the British pub. And yet we all use them – be they small street locals, village pubs or wayside inns.

First off, lets get out there and use them more often. The country will be a poorer place without its pubs – and fewer pubs may result in fewer opportunities for the strong band of micro brewers that are producing the widest range of beers that Britain has seen in almost 100 years.

## About the Passport

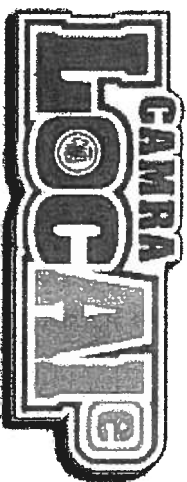
Pull out these centre pages from Pints of View. **Between 29 August and 5 September**, order a pint of real ale in one of the participating pubs shown overleaf and ask for a passport stamp. When you have visited 10 pubs and collected their individual stamps, fill in your details on the back page of this passport and send it to the address shown. You will receive a free pass to a Hertfordshire beer festival of your choice – see details on the back page. Your form will also be entered into a prize draw with 10 prizes – each winning 3 pints at the same beer festival. **CAMRA IS AN ADVOCATE OF RESPONSIBLE DRINKING. SO PLEASE AVOID DRINK DRIVING.**



## Locale

CAMRA Locale is a new initiative that promotes pubs that stock locally brewed real ale. The scheme builds on a growing consumer demand for quality local produce and an increased awareness of green issues.

All of the pubs included in this passport have been selected as they not only keep great ale but also support local brewers. Each pub has been accredited by their local CAMRA branch and they look forward to seeing you on the way round.



FOR THE FULL ADDRESSES OF THE PUBS ON THE PASSPORT USE OUR PUBS DATABASE – [www.pubs.hertsale.org.uk](http://www.pubs.hertsale.org.uk)

## CAMRA in Herts

CAMRA has been campaigning for traditional cask ale in Hertfordshire pubs since 1972 when the first all Hertfordshire Branch was formed. Now served by 5 branches: North Herts, South Herts, Watford, Mid-Chilterns and Herts/Essex Borders, pub campaigning is no less vigorous. We fight pub closures and applications for change of use and support those pubs that embody our aims.

If you agree with these why not consider joining CAMRA? Full details can be found inside the back page of this edition's *Pints of View*.

## Hertfordshire Brewers

Hertfordshire has a long history in brewing but of the current brewers only McMullens have a pedigree of over 20 years. The recent upsurge of small brewers has been a welcome addition to the local brewing scene. You may find beers from the following as you visit the pubs on the Passport:-

**Alehouse** (St.Albans). Brew beers for the Farmers Boy next door and the Free Trade. A wide range of seasonal and special beers are made, from milds to golden ales.

**Buntingford** (Royston). Located on a conservation farm, the brewery is fast gaining a reputation for the consistent quality of its beers which are increasingly available in the Free Trade

**Green Tye** (Green Tye). Supplies the local East Herts Free Trade and more distant areas by swaps with other breweries.

**McMullens** (Hertford). Hertfordshire's oldest independent brewery, operating since 1827. Mac s AK, is one of the oldest brewing brand names in Britain. Regular seasonal beers are brewed. In last year's Hertfordshire Beer of the Year competition Country Bitter won Silver Medal.

**Old Cross Tavern** (Hertford). In the pub of the same name, this is the County's newest and smallest brewery brewing beers solely for the pub.

**Red Squirrel** (Hertford). A brewery offering distinctive real ales to the Free Trade. Award-winning beers are emerging on a regular basis and bottle-conditioned versions have recently been launched.

**Sawbridgeworth** (Sawbridgeworth) The brewery is based at the Gate in the town and the brewery is renowned for a range of one-off beers.

**Tring** (Tring) The longest running of the "new" local brewers with a well-earned reputation for the quality of its beers which are now widely available in the Free Trade. Current holders of the Gold and Silver Medals in the Hertfordshire Beer of the Year competition, with Colley's Dog and Blonde.

## CAMRA Beer Festivals in Hertfordshire

Throughout the year local CAMRA volunteers organise a number beer festivals. Between now and Christmas the following are planned:-

**Letchworth**  
17-19 September 2009  
Plinston Hall, Broadway, Letchworth

**St.Albans**  
30 September – 3 October 2009  
Alban Arena, St.Peter's Street, St.Albans

**Sawbridgeworth**  
23-24 October 2009  
Memorial Hall, The Forebury, Sawbridgeworth

**Watford**  
19 – 21 November 2009  
West Herts Sports Club,  
Park Avenue, Watford



## Your Details

Name.....  
Address.....  
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Post Code.....  
Telephone No .....  
Beer Festival of Your Choice  
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To receive your free Beer Festival pass please send your Passport marked with ten stamps to Ivan Bullenwell, 43 Waterhouse Moor, Harlow, CM18 6BB.  
Your passport will also be entered into a prize draw with 10 prizes – each winning 3 pints at the beer festival. PLEASE SEND COMPLETED PASSPORTS BY FIRST CLASS MAIL – TO BE WITH IVAN BY SATURDAY 12 SEPTEMBER.

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Collect 10 Stamps and you will gain free entry to a Hertfordshire beer festival plus the chance to win free beer

1. Allens Green Queens Head	2. Barkway Tally Ho	3. Bishops Stortford Red Cow	4. Bridens Camp Crown and Sceptre	5. Buntingford Brambles	6. Chorleywood Rose and Crown
7. Colney Heath Crooked Billet	8. Croxley Green Sportsman	9. Dane End Boot	10. Flamstead Spotted Dog	11. Great Offley Red Lion	12. Green Tye Prince of Wales
13. Halls Green Rising Sun	14. Heronsgate Land of Liberty Peace and Plenty	15. Hertford Great Eastern Tavern	16. Hertford Old Cross Tavern	17. High Wych Rising Sun	18. Hitchin Albert
19. Hitchin Half Moon	20. Hitchin Highlander	21. Hitchin Nightingale	22. Hitchin Radcliffe Arms	23. Puckeridge Crown and Falcon	24. Rabley Heath Robin Hood and Little John
25. Rushden Moon and Stars	26. Sawbridgeworth Gate	27. South Mimms White Hart	28. St.Albans Farmers Boy	29. St.Albans Farriers Arms	30. St.Albans Mermaid
31. St.Paul's Walden Strathmore Arms	32. Ware Rose and Crown	33. Watford One Crown	34. Wildhill Woodman	35. Woolmer Green Chequers	

