

the landlord with the opportunity to choose from a wide range. Mark welcomes good ideas from local beer lovers who would like to share their expertise. Coming shortly – Wychwood Bountiful and Theakstons Infallible, plus others, and a mini-festival is planned for November/December with a strong focus on local ales. This pub has a broadly-based clientele, with pool, darts and Sky Sports

available, and the restaurant section leads to a superb patio area with outdoor gas heaters for cool evenings. There is live music most Saturday nights and sometimes jazz in the background. A warm welcome awaits you from Mark and Tania and their enthusiastic staff.
Harry Fish

Obituary - Ray Pascoe

Anyone who has served on the committee or as a volunteer staff member at Farnham Beerex will know Ray Pascoe and be saddened to learn that Ray lost his fight with cancer, passing away on 20th August at 10.15pm surrounded by his family in the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. He was one of the original organisers back in 1977 when Beerex began. And he was still taking an active role until last year when he was already becoming ill. He presided over the committee as chairman in many of the intervening years, and was always there, from the first planning meeting, through every session of opening (often until the early hours, helping with the clear-up and other essential duties), and through to the final debriefing. His favourite beers were Taylor's Landlord or Porter, and Hardy's & Hanson's bitter (until the latter was destroyed by Greene King). The Beerex would not be the same without the Farnham Maltings as its venue, and Ray was instrumental in saving these buildings from demolition, as a founding member of the Farnham Maltings Association, which was set up to save the former brewery buildings and convert them to community use.

Apart from the Beerex, Ray was a key figure amongst the Farnham Lions Club in organising the Farnham Carnival and their many other local fund-raising events. He was a governor of the Ridgeway Community School (for children with severe learning difficulties), and a churchwarden at St Andrew's, Farnham's parish church.

It has been a great pleasure and an honour for me to work with Ray over many years on Farnham Beerex and I shall miss him very much indeed. Beerex will not be quite the same without him. Condolences to Ray's widow Joyce and the rest of the family from all at CAMRA.
Mike Andrew



Ray at the 1987 Farnham Beerex, dispensing one of his favourite tipples.