

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Airport Taproom now open at Canberra Airport as Aviation recovery continues**

Canberra Airport, in partnership with Airport Retail Enterprises (ARE) and Capital Brewing Co. opened the Airport Taproom in the departure's terminal in early November, as borders reopen and restrictions ease around the country. The Airport Taproom is the fifth food and beverage offering to open within the last year at Canberra Airport and forms part of a wider revamp of the retail offering.

The Airport Taproom was initially due to open in September; however, it was delayed due to the impacts of COVID-19, along with the temporary closure of food and beverage retailers Noodles XO and Bakers Cut. Now, with the number of flights increasing, sales have been exceptional, a sign that traveller confidence is returning as we navigate the road to recovery.

Travellers can expect the authentic Capital Brewing Co. experience with popular brews including Coast Ale, Trail Ale and XPA on tap.

Head of Property at Canberra Airport, Richard Snow said Canberra Airport is thrilled that the Airport Taproom has opening in terminal.

“The timing is perfect as we are seeing a very steady return to aviation with flights increasing from 82 to 150 per week since the reopening of borders and are expecting a further increase in flights leading into Christmas. Capital Brewing Co. is a favourite among the Canberra Community, and we look forward to sharing this with travellers at the airport.”

The Airport Taproom is another positive step forward as we navigate our way through the COVID recovery.

Capital Brewing Co. Managing Director Lawrence Kain said “We are absolutely stoked to work with Canberra Airport and ARE to showcase to travellers from around the country a small snippet of how cool Canberra is and what the city has to offer. It is great to finally have people back in the skies and to fill a few schooners at the Airport! - Hopefully, we are giving people a good reason to turn up early for their flight!”

The news comes after recent announcements of direct flights from Canberra Airport to the Sunshine Coast and Cairns with Alliance Airlines and Qantas as well as direct flights to Hobart with Link Airways and Qantas (commencing from 4 December). To learn more about where we fly, visit [canberraairport.com.au](http://canberraairport.com.au)

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Left: Lawrence Kain, Managing Director,  
Capital Brewing Co.

Centre: Nina Finch, Site Manager, Airport  
Retail Enterprises

Right: Richard Snow, Head of Property,  
Capital Airport Group

