



## Second brewery to open in Peachtree Corners

A new brewery has opened at 6025 Peachtree Parkway in Peachtree Corners. But the family behind the brewery is not new to Peachtree Corners. Dianna and Stephen Peet have lived in the area for 30 years and raised their children within just a few miles of the brewery.

Kettlerock Brewing officially opened Friday, March 14, with state and local dignitaries on hand enjoying freshly tapped beverages. The brewery is conveniently located on Peachtree Parkway at Jay Bird Alley, across from two hotels and Curiosity Lab.

Patrons may feel as though they have walked into a lodge in North Carolina, and that was the intention. The Peets are avid hikers and outdoors-people so they wanted to bring a little of what they loved inside the brewery. Kettlerock is a mountain in western North Carolina, where the family often vacations. Incidentally, a “kettle rock” is a geo formation—or bowl—left in the landscape by glaciers.

In the center of the brewery space is a stacked stone fireplace adorned with wood artwork created by their daughter, Christa, and surrounded by comfy chairs. The business is truly a family affair. Dianna is the CEO. Stephen is the CFO. Sterling is the head brewer, while Christa is the assistant brewer. Devon is the marketing manager and Taylor is the brewery operations manager.



Dianna said her sons have been home-brewing for more than nine years. They presented three craft sodas at the Peachtree Corners Festival in 2019, and won a Gwinnett Chamber competition known as the Amazing Entrepreneur Contest. The IPA, known as Float Trip, is one of four beers currently on tap. It also was a winner at the Suwanee Beer Fest in 2019.

Sterling, who developed the popular Float Trip IPA, is a research scientist at the Georgia Institute of Technology. His lab builds satellites. So, technically, the head brewer is a rocket scientist.

The Peet family brewed beer at home for years and joked about starting a brewery before the realization that they could share their good stories and great beer in a cozy environment with the community they loved.

For those in a hurry, there are to-go options. One can take home some of the tasty libations — maybe some of the ultra-smooth Milk Stout, or a malty and yummy Wee Heavy called “Bear Tracks”— in a growler. Coming soon are large, 32-ounce cans, called Crawlors, that will be perfect for concerts at the Town Center.

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