



Tendring CAMRA Newsletter

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Suggestions for Social Activities, please contact Mick Hearn at social@tendringcamra.org.uk

Branch Activities

All members are very welcome at Branch Meetings (start at 8 pm) & Committee Meetings (start at 7.30pm) (only committee vote).

- 7th April RambAle No 10 Brightlingsea to Wivenhoe
- 11th April Branch Committee meeting Bricklayers Lt Bentley
- 14th April Branch visit to Delvin End cider & Halstead
- 26th April Branch full meeting Haywain
- 12th May Morris Traveller by coach around the patch
- 7th June Branch Committee meeting Waggon at Wix
- 20th June Branch AGM White Hart Weeley Heath

All dates/destinations may be subject to change.
Transport is available for some of the above, if you are interested please contact Mick at the email address above

**Tendring Branch Membership
now stands at
767**

The purpose of our 'Meet & Greet' was to try and encourage more members in the local area to become involved in branch activities. Not necessarily to attend meetings (although that would be nice) but to give us (and the pubs) support when we arrange social's and trips to pubs. This coincided with the launch of this years Tendring Pub 'Passport' scheme and gave us the opportunity to get our passports stamped from the 3 pubs in Manningtree in the scheme.

There is a theory that William Shakespeare may have passed through Manningtree, as a young actor in a travelling troupe, and encountered some revelry; in Henry IV Part 1, Falstaff is upbraided by Prince Hal as being 'a roasted Manningtree ox with a pudding in his belly'. No-one knows if the Whitsun fair oxen were famous for their size, flavour or curious stuffing but obviously the local meat was renowned enough to have been known by the Bard.

We visited three pubs in Manningtree (the Red Lion, the Crown and Skinners Arms) plus two over the river into Cattawade Suffolk (the Crown and Ark). On the way from the Crown to the Skinners we passed some lovely architectural facades which gave the appearance of Georgian gentility, some with many bays, large sash windows and elegant door cases. However, many of the buildings behind the Georgian fronts are actually far older - oak-framed with steep roofs and precipitous stairs, dating from the 16th century.



This picture was taken during our 'Meet & Greet' and pub walk about in Manningtree. We even did a raid over the county line into Cattawade and visited the Ark (where this picture was taken) on offer here was Navigation Patriot, Steam Box Sin Bin and Bishops Nick 1555. We also visited the Cattawade Crown on offer was Shepherd Neame Spitfire Gold and Woodforde Once Bittern

Beer Festival Diary Dates

- Royal Marine mini-beerfest 29 March until gone
- Olde Swan/Railway Tavern beerfest 30 March-2 April
- Maldon Beer & Cider Festival 11-14 April
- Olde Cherry Tree St George's Day celebration 21-22 April
- Harwich Ale Trail 3rd to 7th May
- Colchester Real Ale & Cider Festival 29 May-2 June
- Ship Kirby Beer Festival 28 June to 1 July
- Chelmsford Summer Beer & Cider Festival 3-7 July
- New Bell Inn Beer Festival 8 July
- Harwich Town Redoubt Beer Festival 26-28 July
- Clacton Beer & Cider Festival 22-25 August

QUOTE FOR TODAY

People are motivated by provenance, drinking cask ale supports the local and national economy through the supply chain, generating jobs and boosting choice.

Cask Marque Report – 2016/18

If your 'local' is hosting a Beer/Cider related function and you would like it added to this list please let me have the details.



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