

# Tendring CAMRA Newsletter

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Tendring Branch Membership

now stands at

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).

Committee Meeting Wednesday 16th March Victory Walton-on-Naze Branch AGM Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>March Ship Kirby-le-Soken

RambAle 15 Saturday 9th April Manningtree Station to Plough, Great Bentley

Morris Traveller Saturday 23rd April Branch Meeting **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April** Haywain, Little Bromlev

You will find later activities on our diary page see:-

#### http://www.tendringcamra.org.uk/diary.html

All dates/destinations are subject to change. Transport is available for some of the above; if you are interested please contact Mick at the email address above. By doing so you agree to being contacted via email.



This picture was taken during a previous St George's Day Morris Traveller, outside the Black Boy Weeley which is one of the pubs we will be visiting this year.

There are spare seats available for this years trip.

St George's Day 'Morris Traveller' celebration.

It doesn't really need to be stated but it has been a very difficult two years, particularly in the hospitality trade. Also there is not a lot to be happy about internationally in the scheme of things. We as Tendring CAMRA obviously have not been that active but things are slowly improving and here is one reason to be a bit uplifted as another of our annual events starts again on Saturday 23rd April that being St George's Day celebration. Which this year has even more importance, with many customers having lost the habit of visiting pubs over the last 2 years, and it actually falls on St George's Day. We load a large coach up with Real Ale drinkers and Leading Lights Morris and visit four great village locals. We hope our visit encourages customers to visit their local and what can be more quintessentially English on St George's Day than a pint or two in a village local watching Leading Lights Morris perform traditional dances.

Pubs we will visit (with approximate times) are:-Castle Ramsey 12 noon Bricklavers Arms Lt Bentlev 13.15pm Black Boy Weeley 15.15pm Blacksmith's Arms Lt Clacton 16.15pm

If you would like a seat on the coach (and there are 5 spare) please get back to me. We pick-up from Clacton to Harwich railway station and on a direct route. If you are unable to join us on the coach why not pop along to one of the pubs we will visit?

Also if you would like transport for our committee meeting on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March** at the Victory Walton-on-Naze or Branch AGM on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March** at the Ship Kirby-le-Soken please get back to me.

### QUOTE FOR TODAY

The pub is the hub, it's what makes villages tick. It's not all about bars in central London which is all our politicians only ever see, and it's not the home counties gastropub they visit for Sunday lunch with their family. These pubs don't look important or special, but they hold communities together.

~ Michael Lees-Jones head brewer & production director J.W. Lees brewery

## Beer Festival Diary Dates

Mersea Island Vineyard Beer Festival 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> April Harwich Ale Trail 28<sup>th</sup> April – 2<sup>rd</sup> May Chelmsford Racecourse Beer Festival 14th May Colchester Beer & Cider Festival 1st - 4th June

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.



