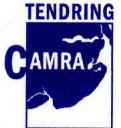


## **Tendring Branch Information Sheet**

(News Letter)

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## **Branch Activities**

All members are welcome at Branch Meetings, start at 8 pm. Also Committee Meetings start at 7.30pm (only committee can vote)

25<sup>th</sup> April Morris Traveller around Tendring 29<sup>th</sup> April Crouch Vale Brewery Trip 14<sup>th</sup> May mini Branch meeting Alma Harwich 30<sup>th</sup> May Ipswich Pub run-about (Fat Cat, Dove, St Judes) 9<sup>th</sup> June Branch AGM White Hart Weeley Heath 13<sup>th</sup> June RambAle Maybush to White Hart 20<sup>th</sup> June Star Brewery & Peterborough visit 15<sup>th</sup> August Chelmsford pub walk-about

<u>All dates\destinations may be subject to change.</u> <u>If you are interested in transport (most are subsidized</u> <u>by the branch) for any of the above</u> <u>contact Mick at the email address below.</u>



Here is an old pub I didn't know existed! The Royal Oak in Walton Road, Kirby-le-Soken. It was previously known as Jackson's Beerhouse. Thomas Jackson retained the freehold until Daniell & Sons brought it in 1900. In 1921 it was converted into a house. The photograph was supplied by Ed Loach and the comment by Richard Oxborrow.

Have you renewed your passport yet? Tendring CAM-RA are arranging with up to 42 real ale & cider pubs in the district to participate in a "passport" scheme. Collect a stamp on your passport at each pub you visit between 1 April and 31 July. See <u>www.tendringcamra.org.uk/</u> <u>passport2015.html</u>

## QUOTE FOR TODAY

Everybody thinks I drink beer but I actually like cider. ~ *Prince William* 



CAMRA has celebrated cider and perry during the month of October for a number of years, this year, there is a second opportunity to celebrate this traditional drink in the month of May. May might seem a strange time to celebrate a drink made from apples and pears but there is some logic in the timing. May is a time when the apple and pear trees in our orchards are in blossom and, without the orchards and tree blossom, we wouldn't have the fruit to make ciders and perries. Unfortunately many of the old traditional orchards have disappeared over the years but, thankfully, in recent years producers have started to plant new trees to keep the tradition of cider and perry production alive. *May is also the time when the juice that was pressed the* previous year has fermented through and is ready to drink. Real ciders and perries differ from the more industrial products available in that they are not fizzy and the flavours of the fruit used in their production come through in the final product. So why not take the opportunity to visit some of our pubs which offer real cider or perry and give them a try.

## **Beer Festival Diary Dates**

East Anglian Beer Fest Bury St Edmunds, 22-25 April White Hart Weeley Greene King Week, 1-7 May Fat Cat, Colchester West Country Beer Fest 2-4 May 3 Jays Jaywick, Beer Festival 8-10 May Dove St Inn Ipswich Beer Festival, 20-25 May Clacton Rugby Club Beer Festival, 22-25 May Clacton Railway Social Club (take your CAMRA membership card) Beer Festival 22-25 May Pointer Inn Alresford Cider Festival 23-25 May Colchester Real Ale & Cider Festival 26-30 May Ipswich Beer Festival, Ipswich Town FC, 11-13 June Braintree Real Ale Festival, 11-13 June Beer Day Britain (1st national beer day) 15 June Chelmsford Beer & Cider Festival, 7-11 July Clacton Real Ale & Cider Festival, 26-29 August Victory Walton Music & Beer Festival 28-31 August Chappel Summer Beer Festival, 8-22 September Harwich Winter Beer Festival, 2-5 December

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