



Tending Meetings for 2009 and 2010

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Thursday 10 December—Branch Meeting, The Ship, Kirby

2010

21-23 January—3rd Colchester Winter Ale Festival—own transport

Thursday 21 January—New Year Social at VENUE TO BE CONFIRMED

Thurs 28 January—Committee Meeting, Lock and Barrel, Frinton

Saturday 6 February—Regional Meeting, Brewery Tap, Peterborough

Tuesday 16 February—Branch Meeting—venue TBC

26-27 Feb—1st Chappel Winter Beer Festival, Chappel Station, entry by ticket only-£5. See www.essex-camra.org.uk/cwb—should we book tickets??????????

Thursday 18 March—Branch Meeting, Ye Olde Cherry Tree, Lt Oakley

Beer Festival Diary Dates

2010

- Derby Winter Ale Festival, 4-6 January
- Ely Winter Ale Festival, 15-16 January
- National Winter Ale Fest, Manch, 20-23 January
- Cambridge Winter Ale Festival, 21-23 January
- Chelmsford Winter Beer Festival, 4-6 February
- Luton Beer and Cider Fest, 26-27 February
- Chappel Winter Ale Festival, 26-27 February
- London Drinker Beer and Cider Fest, 10-12 March
- Hitchin Beer and Cider Fest, 12-13 March
- St Neots Beer Festival, 18-20 March
- Mersea Island Brewery Easter Fest, 2-5 April
- Maldon Beer Festival, 7-10 April
- East Anglian Beer Festival, 21-24 April
- Cambridge Beer Festival, 24-29 May
- Thurrock Beer Festival, 8-12 June
- Braintree Real Ale Festival, 17-19 June
- Beer in the Hibberd Gdn, 19-20 June
- Sherringham Beer Fest, 16-18 July
- Bishops Stortford Beer Festival, 29-31 July
- GBBF 3-7 August
- Clacton Beer Fest, 25-28 August
- Chappel Beer Fest, 7-11 Sept

On behalf of the Committee, I'd like to wish all fellow real ale lovers a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. As most of you will know, Tending pubs are suffering at this time in line with the rest of the country and it seems that locally things are getting worse. The period after Christmas has always been a difficult time for pubs and I would ask, if you can, to make an extra effort to visit your local over the next few months to help ensure that your local pub survives — Jeff

Items for future consideration in the Social Calendar

- Red Fox Brewery – Coggeshall
- Elgoods Brewery and Garden Visit - Wisbech
- April-possible free trip to Adnams for CAMRA members
- Sticklegs Brewery visit - tbc
- Green Jack Brewery visit—tbc
- Mersea Island Brewery visit—tbc
- Essex Pub Run—missterry

QUOTE FOR TODAY

Only another 14 shopping days until Christmas—too late for a 'booze-cruise?'

**Clacton Rugby Club—Up to 4 real ales at home matches-CAMRA members welcome—next home pre-match lunch, Sat 19 Dec, v. Maldon, tickets £7.50
Contact John Lucas for bookings**

Any other suggestions for Social Activities please contact terry.lilley@talktalk.net or pablop@hotmail.co.uk

