



# Tendring CAMRA Newsletter

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Suggestions for Social Activities, please contact Mick Hearn at [social@tendringcamra.org.uk](mailto: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).

Branch Meeting New Bell Harwich **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**  
Committee Meeting Castle Ramsey **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March**  
Branch AGM Railway Tavern Brightlingsea **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**

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

<http://www.tendringcamra.org.uk/diary.html>

*All dates/destinations may change. Transport is available for some of our activities depending on your location; if you are interested please contact Mick at the email address above. By doing so you agree to being contacted via email.*



This picture taken at the Cross Inn Great Bromley whilst we celebrated Robert Burns night, Scotland's national poet's birthday on 25<sup>th</sup> January.

Centre stage in the 'procession of the haggis' is our very own active CAMRA member Tony Spooner and if I say so cutting quite a dash.

Once again we had a great night being well looked after by the Cross staff, the Cross being one of our community owned and run pubs.

## QUOTE FOR TODAY

*Gin a body meet a body  
Coming thro' the rye,  
Gin a body kiss a body -  
Need a body cry?*

— **Robert Burns, born in Alloway, Ayrshire 1759**

**Tendring Branch Membership  
now stands at  
598**

## Below are some trips you maybe interested in :-

Even if you have never been active in your branch there are a few things I would appreciate some help with.

**April:-** St George's Day Morris Traveller event on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> if you have any suggestions for a circular route from Harwich visiting 3 or 4 of our great pubs please let me know. We don't make enough of our National Days.

**August:-** Clacton Beer Festival month. We are starting the planning for this very important branch event. If you have any suggestions for a venue for festival meetings, sponsorship, festival logo, T-shirt colour, charity or beers / ciders for the festival please let me know.

There is one very important role in particular which remains to be filled and that is International Bar Manager. This entails ordering the stock, setting up and taking down the bar and staffing it (although not every day). If nobody comes forward then one option would be withdrawing this bar. However if that is unfortunately the only option I hope we can continue with our wine sales.

If you have any comments or suggestions for future trips out please let me know.

It is with great sadness that I must inform you two of our active members passed away recently, Steve Burgess & Jeff Luesley. Jeff in particular was a cornerstone of this branch & I for one will miss his friendship and wisdom.  
**R.I.P.**

## Beer Festival Diary Dates

Colchester Winter Ale Festival 31<sup>st</sup> Jan – 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb  
Winter GBBF, Burton 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Feb  
Chappel Winter Beer Festival 29<sup>th</sup> Feb – 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
Wetherspoons Beer Festival 6<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> March  
Maldon Beer & Cider Festival 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> April  
Lt Bentley Church Beer Festival 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> April  
Kings Arms Frating Beer & Music Fest 25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> May  
Colchester Summer Beer & Cider Fest 29<sup>th</sup> May -1<sup>st</sup> Jun  
Gruff Fest Stratford St Mary (ticket only) 8<sup>th</sup> June  
Ship Kirby-le-Soken 9<sup>th</sup> Beer Festival 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> 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.



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