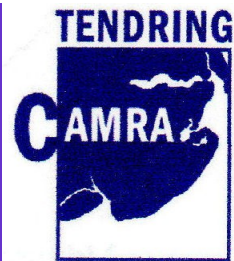




Tendring Branch Information Sheet

(News Letter)

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Branch Activities

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

- 8th December Committee Meeting Lion at Ardleigh
 - 17th December social trip to Wibblers Brewery, **only 1 seat left.**
 - 12th January full Branch Meeting Red Lion Manningtree
 - 25th January Robert Burns themed night Olde Cherry Tree
 - 4th February Halstead pub walk-about
 - 8th February Committee meeting Waggon at Wix
- 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 below.*



Taken on a very busy Friday night during the Harwich & Parkeston 14th Winter Beer Festival. This was the first year at the new venue, Parkeston Railway Club which proved to be a great location. The theme for the festival was the 70th anniversary of the decommissioning of HMS Badger in 1946. HMS Badger was the wartime name of Parkeston Quarry.

QUOTE FOR TODAY

CHRISTMAS DAY IN THE WORKHOUSE

This year the poor in the Union-houses of Chelmsford, Halstead, Maldon and Rochford received an extra allowance on Christmas Day. At Braintree the inmates of the house had roast beef and plum pudding, a pint of strong beer for each adult, half a pint to each child..... Pretty doings at Braintree, truly!

~ From *The Essex Standard* 1841.

*Tendring Branch Membership
now stands at
730*

Wishing all our members A Very Happy Christmas and New Year—from the Committee.

Here is a Christmas message from our Chairman. This year has been a successful one for Tendring CAMRA. We recently celebrated the 10th Anniversary of the branch. Our membership is heading towards the 800 mark, and with the return of the Harwich Festival, we now have two successful Real Ale & Cider Festivals. We are the envy of some branches, as our meetings & social events are well attended, please keep it up! I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas, keep supporting our pubs, and I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.
Cheers,
Peter Butler

Please let me know if you would like to join us for a Robert Burns Night, Supper Platter at Ye Olde Cherry Tree Little Oakley on Wednesday 25th January. The cost of the meal will be £8.50 plus the cost of transport from the Clacton and Harwich areas. Sammy B will be performing Scottish Tunes during the evening. Sammy is the female vocalist that was at the Cherry Tree when we visited on the Pam Rivers Apple Day.

Beer Festival Diary Dates

Anchor Inn Nayland Beer Festival 16-18 December
Colchester Winter Ale Festival 25-28 January
Maybush 1st Anniversary Beer Festival 10-12 February
Chelmsford Winter Beer & Cider Festival 15-18 February
Harwich Spring Ale Trail 27th April to 1st May

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.

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