



Tendring CAMRA Newsletter

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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).

- 12th December Branch Mystery Pub Run-About
- 13th January Branch Cider POTY trip from the south
- 16th January Branch full Meeting Red Lion Manningtree
- 25th January social Burns Night Maybush Grt Oakley

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 above

**Tendring Branch Membership
now stands at
774**

You can now vote for the branch Real Ale and also the Cider POTY (Pub of the Year). You can download the forms from the Tendring CAMRA website via the 'member's area'. If you are unable to print forms off please email me your address and I will post one to you.

If you use one of the 50 or so Members Clubs in the Tendring area our Clubs Officer, Alun Primmer, would welcome your feedback about them.

Clubs can be an excellent place to drink our preferred tipples of Real Ale or Cider and as you may have heard CAMRA is now trying to lift the profile of 'CAMRA' friendly clubs in the same way as the pubs.

There is a beer scoring system within CAMRA's Whatpub website but in the past year only 9 scores have been added for Members Clubs. If you are able to occasionally do so that would be a great help for the branch. Even if you cannot do so you could email Alun your feedback on which clubs stock Real Ale or Cider, the type and quality and if the club rules allow card carrying CAMRA members to enter?

Alun can be contacted at asprimmer@sky.com



This picture was taken during the Harwich Sausage Festival when Tony Gray brought his pet 'sausage dog' with him! The Winners:-The Alma Inn won the innovation Class with the New Bell in second place. The Butchers Class was won by the Organiser's Wildcard entry which was the Pork and Cranberry sausage from Primrose Pork of Great Bromley with Warnes of Parkeston and Smiths of Brightlingsea in joint second place and Ragmarsh Farm Shop in third. The Overall Champion for 2017 from Primrose Pork (this was sausage L and was my favourite) will now go forward to the national Champion of Champions competition in 2018.

The throwing competition was won by our new champion Todd Rothwell lobbing for the Alma Inn with two throws over 150 feet - his second throw winning the competition and setting a new record at 157 feet. Second was Mark throwing for Shaws Farm Meats with a throw of 139 feet. Third was Glen throwing for the New Bell Inn with 134 feet.

QUOTE FOR TODAY

For we could not now take time for further search (to land our ship) our victuals being much spent especially our beer.

~ Log of the Mayflower

Beer Festival Diary Dates

- St Jude's Ipswich Beer & Cider Fest 14-17 December
- Colchester Winter Ale Festival 7-10 February 2018
- Chelmsford Winter Beer & Cider Fest 14-17 Feb 2018
- Great British Norwich Winter Beer Fest 20-24 Feb 2018
- Chappel Winter Beer Festival 2nd & 3rd March 2018
- Maldon Beer & Cider Festival 11-14 April 2018
- Harwich Town Redoubt Beer Festival 26-28 July 2018
- Clacton Beer & Cider Festival 22-25 August 2018

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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