

## **CAPTAIN BERNARD OLIVER TICKNER MBE (1937-40)**

He was born on 22 May 1924 and during WW2 he served with the King's African Rifles in Somaliland.

His main business interest has been with the Greene King brewery where, during his time as Chief Brewer, he introduced Abbot Ale. In 1988 he also had a beer named after him, called the Bernard Tickner Abbot Ale.

His other great passion was horticulture. At his home, Fullers Mill, he developed a wonderful garden, which he has now handed over to the Fullers Mill Trust. It is open to the public.

In 1976 he also donated a 11 hectare reserve called Lackford Lake to the Suffolk Wildlife Trust, which in 2000 RMC donated a further 90 hectares of land. See <http://www.suffolkwildlife.co.uk/nr/sites/lack.htm> for more details.



He also bred a unique species of Euphorbia called 'Red Wing' – see <http://www.planthaven.com/pdfs/EUPHORBIA%20Red%20Wing.pdf>



In the Queen's Birthday honours list in June 2017 he was awarded the MBE for service to Horticulture and to Wildlife Conservation in Suffolk.