

MORRIS and other DANCE DISPLAYS

KING JOHN'S MORRIS

MAY

1 5.30am Bargate, Southampton

KNICKERBOCKER GLORY

MAY

1 7.00 Wickham May Day
 14 All day Winchester Folk Festival
 17 Jolly Millar, N Warnborough
 with Fleet Morris
 28 All day Winchester Folk Festival

MEN OF WIGHT

MAY

1 dawn Longstones on Mottistone Down

SARUM MORRIS

MAY

1 dawn Old Sarum
 2 Georgian Fair, Blandford
 6-8 Weymouth Folk Festival
 28- Chippenham Folk Festival
 29

WICKHAM MORRIS

MAY

1 5.15am Wickham Square
 day Tour to Portsmouth Cathedral,
 Gunwharf Quay and Historic
 Dockyard
 6.30 Maypole and children's
 Morris
 7.00 Evening of Morris displays in
 Wickham Square
 5 8.00 White Lion, Soberton
 12 8.00 Miner's Arms, Funtley
 19 8.00 White Horse Inn, Wallington
 26 8.00 Wheatsheaf, Shedfield

WIGHT BELLES

APRIL

3 12.30 Pointers Inn, Newchurch

MAY

1 noon The Dairyman's Daughter, at
 Arreton Barns Craft Village
 Weymouth Folk Festival
 7 all day The Bargeman's Rest, Newport.
 12 8.00 The Steamer Inn, Shanklin.
 19 8.00 The Dairyman's Daughter, at
 Arreton Barns Craft Village

MAY DAY IN WICKHAM

Wickham Square will again be resounding to May Morris music as Wickham Morris and friends launch the summer season of dancing, both Greeting the Dawn at 5.15am and again from 6.30pm when, as ever, junior dancers will start the evening's festivities. Swanmore Junior Morris, for example, have been busy polishing old and learning new dances for us.

Dancing will continue with as many sides as can muster dancers on a busy holiday Sunday, until the traditional massed dance at dusk (approx 8.45pm) before rounding off the day in music and song at The Wheatsheaf, Shedfield.

During the day, several sides will be touring in and around Portsmouth, including t Thomas' Cathedral, Gunwharf Quays and the Royal Naval Dockyard.

Meanwhile, early visitors to Wickham Square will have the added attraction of Wickham Music Weeks' finale "Victory Parade" Carnival and picnic from 2pm.

Yvonne Wheeler

Sounds of St George

Make St Georges Day more than just a footnote in your diary. EFDSS are seeking to encourage and support the celebration of St George's Day (April 23rd). To this end there will be an Oxford St George's Day Dance with Geoff Cubitt and Momentum on the day, plus a concert on April 22nd.

The concert, at 8pm, will feature The Demon Barber Roadshow, a ten piece ensemble of brilliant dancers, singers and musicians, plus the winners of BBC 2 best duo award 2004, John Spiers and Jon Boden and the four part harmony from The Witches of Elswick.

The Demons are strong, young dancers and have to be seen to be believed. They take the energy of English dance into this millennium and putting the sex back into the tradition.

In the afternoon, from 5pm, there are opportunities to participate and learn more of Morris, clog and rapper dance. The workshop costs £6, concert £12 and details from EFDSS: 020 7485 2206

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ALTON MORRIS

MAY		
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21	am	Farmers' Market, Alton
JUNE		
10	8.00	Golden Pot, Shalden
11	All day	Wimborne Folk Festival
17	8.00	Crooked Billet, Hook
18	12.30	Barley Mow, Tilford
24		Kingstone
30		Poaches, Fleet

KING JOHN'S MORRIS

MAY		
1	5.30am	Bargate, Southampton

KNICKERBOCKER GLORY

MAY		
1	7.00	Wickham May Day
14	All day	Winchester Folk Festival
17	7.30	Jolly Millar, North Warnborough
28	All day	Chippenham Folk Festival
JUNE		
11/12	All day	Wimborne Folk Festival
18		Green Man Folk Club, Golden Pot, Alton

MEN OF WIGHT

MAY		
1	dawn	Longstones on Mottistone Down
	noon	The Barns, Main Road Arretton
12	8.00	Sandown Sea Front (pier)
	9.00	The Crab and Lobster, Bembridge
19	8.00	Colwell Bay Inn
	9.00	The Red Lion, Freshwater
26	8.00	The Barns, Main Road, Arretton
JUNE		
2	8.00	Yarbridge Inn, Brading
5	1.00	Old Gaffers Festival, Yarmouth
9	8.00	Sea Front, Shanklin
	9.00	Bonchurch Inn, Bonchurch
16	8.00	The Sun, Hulverstone
	9.00	Sandpipers Hotel, Freshwater Bay
23	8.00	Invincible Pub, Portsmouth
	9.00	Clarence Pub, Gosport
30	8.00	The White Horse Inn Whitwell
	9.00	Buddle Inn, Niton Undercliff

SARUM MORRIS

MAY		
1	dawn	Old Sarum
2		Georgian Fair, Blandford
6-8	All day	Weymouth Folk Festival
17		Weyhill Fair
21	All day	New Forest Meddlars Day of Dance, Ringwood
28-29	All day	Chippenham Folk Festival
JUNE		
10/12	All day	Wimborne Folk Festival
24-26	All day	Raddon Hill Seven Year Itch

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JUNE		
2	8.00	Flower Pots Cheriton
9	8.00	Bunch of Grapes Bishops Waltham
16	8.00	Warsash sailing Club
23	8.00	Fox & Hounds Bursledon
	8.45	Lone Barn Bursledon
30	8.00	The Milburys Beauwirth

WIGHT BELLES

MAY		
1	noon	The Dairyman's Daughter, at Arretton Barns Craft Village
7	all day	Weymouth Folk Festival
12	8.00	The Bargeman's Rest, Newport
19	8.00	The Steamer Inn, Shanklin
26	8.00	The Dairyman's Daughter, at Arretton Barns Craft Village
JUNE		
2	8.00	The Spyglass Inn & The Millbay
5	3.30	The Old Gaffers Festival
9	8.00	St Mary's Hospital Fun Day
16	8.00	Fisherman's Cottage/Chine Inn
23	8.00	Cowes
30	8.00	The Wishing Well

Forest Folk's second Song and Ale Weekend

We weren't too sure what to expect for our first Song and Ale weekend, but it was a great success, with visitors from all around England and closer to home. We listened to some wonderful singing and heard new songs, with musicians' sessions as well for those who just wanted to play together.

Whether you are a singer, musician, storyteller or would just like to relax and let others entertain you, there will be something here for you. Our aim is for everyone to enjoy a relaxed and informal weekend, gathering together with other singers and musicians, an ideal place to meet with friends old and new. It's for anyone who enjoys participation and easy access to song and music, so sessions are free with jug collections - no booked performers.

Sessions will be held in the Village Hall at North Boarhunt Social Club starting on Friday evening, running through the day on Saturday and into the evening, with the weekend finishing after the

Sunday lunchtime sing.

There's a lovely campsite nearby, flat and suitable for tents, caravans and motorhomes, with water, electricity and toilets available. All for £6 per pitch for the weekend, so there's no need to drive home at the end of the day!

If you're not sure what to expect, just turn up, it's all about making your own live entertainment and making new friends, perhaps meeting people who turned up last year, having fun, singing a song, putting a circle round those dates on the calendar and turning it into an event that you'll want to come back to next year.

Where: Forest Folk, North Boarhunt

When: 24 / 25 / 26 June 2005

For further information and programme, contact Charles Gale 01329 833625, Janet Wiles 023 9226 4288, or email info@forestfolk.co.uk

Bishops Waltham Festival

10th - 17th July there is a deliberately eclectic mixture of events from an Indian (musical) curry night to Kenny Ball and his Jazzmen, but I also notice that Show of Hands will be singing on Friday 15th July in the Palace grounds. For more information see www.bishopswalthamfestival.com or call 01962 840440 which is the Theatre Royal box office

Sidmouth Folk Week

While much smaller than normal this year, there is a festival running from 29th July to 5th August. I picked up a flyer with 14 pages of bands, singers, artistes, concerts and ceilidhs. Plus children's events at Blackmore Gardens and a dozen or so workshops ranging from Big Band, Morris, Melodian, Fiddle and Concertina to some lectures and talks in the Arts Centre. Naturally there will also be lots of pub sessions and Morris displays and a Crafts Marquee.

See www.sidmouthfolkweek.co.uk or call 01395 578627.

Royal Oak, Lewes, East Sussex

For those in the East of our area, this club has gigs each week, such as Jez Lowe on June 2nd, Gina le Faux the following week and Martin Carthy on July 7th. For information call Vic and Tina Smith on 01273 478124

May Day at Wickham

A great day out with 6 Morris sides greeting the dawn, 2 coach loads of musicians and dancers touring Portsmouth and 12 sides and a big crowd in the evening. The Wheatsheaf at Shedfield was crammed with singers to round it off. In addition we had three groups of children dancing, one around the Maypole, two dancing Morris and thanks to the happenstance of folk, visiting Breton dancers gave the evening an international touch.

Winchester Folk Festival

This is still running as we go to press, but it was great to see a good procession of dancers, let's hope it keeps running for future years.

Editor

FASH AGM

Soberton Village Hall AGM 5pm

Dance 7-9pm £3 with special 33% discount if you attend AGM!

John Turner and Pam Stallworthy with Claire Coxwell and Dave Hunter

Cream tea at small charge

Please come and tell us your ideas on Folk in South Hampshire

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18	12.30	Barley Mow, Tilford
24	12.30	Kingstone
30		Poaches, Fleet

JULY

2	All day	Christchurch Day of Dance
8-10		Weekend of Dance, Alton
16	Lunch	Alton Market Square
22		Badshot Lea

KNICKERBOCKER GLORY

JUNE

11/12	All day	Wimborne Folk Festival
18		Green Man Folk Club, Golden Pot, Shalden

JULY

2		Christchurch Folk Festival
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MEN OF WIGHT

JUNE

2	8.00	Yarbridge Inn, Brading
5	1.00	Old Gaffers Festival, Yarmouth
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	9.00	Sandpipers Hotel, Freshwater Bay
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	9.00	Clarence Pub, Gosport
30	8.00	The White Horse Inn Whitwell
	9.00	Buddle Inn, Niton Undercliff

JULY

7	8.00	Albion Hotel, Freshwater Bay
	9.00	The Highdown Inn, Totland
14	8.00	Orchards Caravan Site, Newbridge
	9.00	The Sportsman's Rest, Shalfleet

SARUM MORRIS

JUNE

10/12	All day	Wimborne Folk Festival
24-26	All day	Raddon Hill Seven Year Itch

JULY

9-10		Sarum's own Tour, Salisbury, Avebury and Stonehenge
23		Ducklington Day of Dance
31		Sidmouth Folk Festival

SOUTHSEA BELLES & ARROWHEAD

JUNE

11	All day	Wimborne Folk Festival
17	8.00	Castle in the Air, Fareham
	8.45	Cob & Pen, Wallington
28	8.00	White Lion, Soberton

JULY

3		Watercress Line, Alresford
10		Queen Elizabeth Country Park
15		Jolly Farmer, Warsash
19	8.00	Harvest Home, Denmead
	8.45	Forest of Bere, Denmead

WICKHAM MORRIS

JUNE

2	8.00	Flower Pots, Cheriton
9	8.00	Bunch of Grapes, Bishops Waltham
16	8.00	Warsash sailing Club
23	8.00	Fox & Hounds, Bursledon
	8.45	Lone Barn, Bursledon
30	8.00	The Milburys, Beauworth

JULY

3	All day	Mid-Hants Railway
7	8.00	The Victory, Hamble
14	8.00	The Ship, Langstone
	8.45	Royal Oak, Langstone
21	8.00	The Bugle, Botley

WIGHT BELLES

JUNE

2	8.00	The Spyglass Inn & The Millbay
5	3.30	The Old Gaffers Festival
9	8.00	Sandown Seafront, by the pier
16	8.00	Fisherman's Cottage/Chine Inn
23	8.00	The Sun Inn, at Hulverstone
30	8.00	The Old Fort, Seaview

JULY

7	8.00	The Crown Inn, Shorwell.
9	11.15	St Mary's Hospital Fun Day
14	8.00	Fisherman's Cottage and The Chine Inn, Shanklin
21	8.00	The Painters Arms
28	8.00	The Wishing Well, Pondwell

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JULY		
2	All day	Christchurch Day of Dance
8-10		Weekend of Dance, Alton
16	Lunch	Alton Market Square
22		Badshot Lea
SEPTEMBER		
1		Shinfield Shambles
10		Godalming Heritage Day
24	10.45	Farmers' Market, Alton
OCTOBER		
9		Blackmoor Apple Tasting

KNICKERBOCKER GLORY

JULY		
2		Christchurch Folk Festival
24		Netley Marsh Steam & Craft Show
AUGUST		
13		Chawton Village Fete
SEPTEMBER		
10		Swanage Folk Festival

MEN OF WIGHT

JULY		
7	8.00	Albion Hotel, Freshwater Bay
	9.00	The Highdown Inn, Totland
14	8.00	Orchards Caravan Site, Newbridge
	9.00	The Sportsman's Rest, Shalfleet

SARUM MORRIS

JULY		
1		Hook & Glove, Farley
9-10		Sarum's own Tour, Salisbury, Avebury and Stonehenge
15	8.00	Black Horse, Tytherley
22	8.00	Sheaf of Arrows, Cranborne
23		Ducklington Day of Dance
29	8.00	Horseshoe Inn, Ebbesbourne Wake
31		Sidmouth Folk Festival
AUGUST		
5	8.00	Cuckoo, Hampworth
20		Harnham Croft Nursing Home Fete, Salisbury
SEPTEMBER		
2		King John, Tollard Royal
9-11		Swanage Folk Festival
*24		Chipping Norton Folk All Around

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	8.45	Forest of Bere, Denmead
SEPTEMBER		
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VICTORY MORRIS

JULY		
7	8.00	The Ship, Langstone
	9.00	Royal Oak, Langstone
14	8.00	The Bold Forseter, Sarisbury Green
	9.00	The Jolly Farmer, Warsash
21	8.00	The Florence, Southsea
28	8.00	The Crown, Chichester
	9.00	Four Chesnuts, Chichester
AUGUST		
4	8.00	The Point, Old Portsmouth
	9.00	The Pembroke, Old Portsmouth
5-12		Broadstairs
11	8.00	The Kings Arms, Emsworth
	9.00	The Blue Bell, Emsworth
18	8.00	The Black Dog, Shedfield
	9.00	Sam's Rest, Shedfield
25	8.00	Spread Eagle, Liss
	9.00	Hawley Arms, Hawley
31	8.00	Hampshire Bowman, Dundridge
SEPTEMBER		
11		Godalming Heritage Day

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AUGUST		
4	8.00	The Hunters, Swanmore
	8.45	The White Lion, Soberton
11	8.00	Fox & Hounds, Denmead
18	8.00	Pear Tree Inn, Boorley Green
25	8.00	Farmer's Home, Durley