

From "Solent Waves" 2005 (thanks to editor David Sutton)

WICKHAM MORRIS

MAY

1	dawn	Wickham Square
	tour	Portsmouth Cathedral, Gunwharf Quays and 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

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

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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

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

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

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.