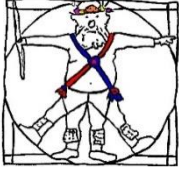


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Since 1985 we have donated over **£35,000** to charity, so please give generously.

In the 2015 season, the proceeds of our busking will support **The Multiple Sclerosis Society**

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Multiple sclerosis (MS) is a condition of the central nervous system.

In MS, the coating around nerve fibres (called myelin) is damaged, causing a range of symptoms.

More than 100,000 people in the UK have MS. Symptoms usually start in your 20s and 30s and it affects almost three times as many women as men.



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# Come and Join Us

Wickham Morris are always ready to dance with you, just ask and we'll set up a dance you can join in: aged 7 to 97, able bodied or otherwise, daft or sensible; we welcome you.

We welcome new members. If you would like to give it a try, come and join our friendly group. We start practices in September and meet every Thursday. Come along for a free trial session, we'd love to see you.

Just ask any member of the team or contact the Baggie

Penny Munday 023 9247 9489

[baggie@wickham-morris.org.uk](mailto:baggie@wickham-morris.org.uk)



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Squire: Cath Watkins  
Baggie: Penny Munday



## The History of Morris Dancing

Morris dancing is an old English tradition. Its origins are unclear, but there are very few English traditions and so it's worth supporting.

Wickham has been dancing since 1980 but there are written records of Morris back to the 15<sup>th</sup> century, For example in 1494, Henry VII was entertained by "the Mourice dance", in 1458 a gilded cup engraved with Morris dancers was left in a will and in 1448 the Goldsmiths of London paid 7 shillings for "Moryssh dancers".

Villages in the Cotswolds and the Border counties (with Wales) had sides (teams) of Morris Dancers, with each having its own style or tradition. As the industrial revolution gradually reduced the rural population with a migration to the towns, it died out in the villages, but North West Morris evolved in the industrial towns.

The tradition was almost lost by the 1890s, but luckily Cecil Sharp and Herbert Maclwaine collected the dances and published a book in 1906.

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	5:15 am 6:30 pm	Greet the dawn, Wickham Square Festival in Wickham Square	PO17 5JN
Thursday 7 <sup>h</sup> May	8 pm	The Victory, Hamble-le-Rice	SO31 4HA
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	8 pm	The White Lion, Soberton	SO32 3PF
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	8 pm	The Bold Forester, Soberton Heath	SO32 3QG
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	8 pm	The Brickmakers, Swanmore	SO32 2PA
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	8 pm	The Flower Pots, Cheriton	SO24 0QQ
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	8 pm	The Bat and Ball, Clanfield	PO8 0UB
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	2 pm	Wickham Church Fete	PO17 6HR
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	10 am	Wimborne Minster Folk Festival	BH21 1HT
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	8 pm	Hampshire Bowman, Dundridge	SO32 1GD
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	8 pm	Botley Brewery Bar, Botley	SO30 2AA
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	8pm	The Miners Arms, Funtley	PO17 5EF
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	8 pm	Horse and Jockey, Curbridge	SO30 2HB
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	10 am	Romsey, Beggars Fair	SO51 8BX
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	8 pm	The Guide Dog, Bevois Valley	SO14 6SF
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	8 pm	The Fox, Bramdean	SO24 0LP
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> July	8 pm, 8:45 pm	The Ship, Langstone The Royal Oak, Langstone	PO9 1RD PO9 1RY
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	8 pm	Wickham Festival village stage	PO17 5HD
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug	8 pm	The Brushmakers Arms, Upham	SO32 1JJ
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	8 pm	The Golden Lion, Southwick	PO17 6EB
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> Aug	8 pm	The Bugle Hotel, Titchfield	PO14 4AF
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2016	Noon	See website for details	

**All timings are approximate**

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