

Greensleeves Morris Men

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It's a busy time for the Greensleeves Morris Men. Our practice season is over and we're busy readying our kit and polishing our shoes ahead of another busy summer of dancing out. But it hasn't just all been practising. We have also managed a number of dance outs too, including an appearance on TV!

Utrecht



In September a small band of dancers dusted off their passports and went to visit some Morris dancing friends in Utrecht in the Netherlands. We enjoyed a leisurely train journey out with refreshment stops in both Brussels and Rotterdam. We then spent the weekend dancing around the city in various locations in glorious sunshine. Before we left to go home we managed to squeeze in a sightseeing canal tour and a trip to the top of the Dom tower (over 400 steps!).

Lord Mayor's Show

Our annual November trip to London passed off again as a success. This year we had dry weather for our dancing, although not for the following fireworks! As normal, we did shows outside the Globe on the Southbank, St. Peter's Steps in the shadow of the magnificent St. Paul's Cathedral and the Black Friar PH.



Boxing Day

We entertained the lunchtime crowds in Wimbledon Village with our traditional Boxing Day show and Mummer's Play. For the 2014 play it was the turn of the "elf and safety inspector" to be the villain, "boo" ... "hiss"!



Marie Curie Daffodil Day

Once again we danced in Wimbledon town centre for the Marie Curie cancer care trust. This was a very rewarding day for all of those who turned out despite the chilly temperatures.



Comic Relief

We were invited to help out with Dermot O'Leary's 24 hour Danceathon for Comic Relief. A small group of men learnt a brand new dance purely for the event. The plan, to dance behind Sir Terry Wogan who'd be singing a rendition of the Floral Dance. The day itself passed off without a hitch and we were all pleased for taking part for such a worthy cause.

Summer 2015

We have got another busy summer of dancing out at pubs in South West London, below is a current programme of confirmed events. We have a few more events that are currently being firmed up, more details of which can be found on our website

http://www.greensleevesmorris.org.uk/html/where_to_see_us.html or by checking our Facebook and Twitter pages. We'd love to see you at any of our summer events!

Friday 1st May – Sunrise Show

5.30 am The Windmill, Wimbledon Common, SW19 5NR. Yes, we do mean 5.30 in the morning. And yes, people do turn up and watch, including the Mayor of Merton.

Saturday 2nd May – Wimbledon Day of Dance

11.00 am The Windmill Tearooms, Wimbledon Common, SW19 5NR.
12.00 noon and 12.30 pm Wimbledon Station forecourt, SW19 7NL
1.30 pm and 2.30 pm May Fayre, Morden Hall Park SM4 5JD A National Trust event
3.30 pm Morden Hall Park Tea Rooms. Dancing followed by tea and cake to finish the day

Friday 8th May – Clapham

8.00 pm The Rose and Crown, The Polygon, Clapham Old Town, SW4 0JG.
9.00 pm The Nightingale, Nightingale Lane, SW12 8NX.

Friday 15th May – Kennington

8.00 pm Prince of Wales, Cleaver Square SE11 4EA
9.00 pm Ship, Kennington Road SE11 6SF

Friday 22nd - Sunday 24th May – Peasmarsh Weekend

We are guests of East Surrey Morris Men on their annual tour Details at www.esmm.org.uk

Friday 29th May – Richmond

8.00 pm The Orange Tree, 45 Kew Road, Richmond TW9 2NQ
9.00 pm The Cricketers and The Prince's Head, The Green, Richmond TW9 1LX

Saturday 6th June – South Bank Tour

A walking tour of London's South Bank with Taeppas Tump North West Morris
Times flexible - 020 8540 1689 for details

Friday 12th June – Wimbledon

8.00 pm The Alexandra, 33 Wimbledon Hill Road, Wimbledon, SW19 7NE
9.00 pm The Crooked Billet / Hand in Hand, Crooked Billet, Wimbledon, SW19 4RQ

Friday 19th – Sunday 21st June – Gloucester Tour

A tour of Gloucestershire to celebrate 50 years dancing by our member Steve Parker

Saturday 27th June – Wimbledon Village Fair

Come to our displays and workshops by our stall at the Fair.
Take the chance to try Morris Dancing throughout the day.
Dancing opposite the Rose and Crown, Wimbledon High Street SW19 5BA at 12.30 pm
and on the main stage on the Common

Friday 3rd July – Harrow

8.00 pm The Castle 30 West Street, Harrow on the Hill HA1 3EF
9.00 pm The White Horse 50 Middle Road, Harrow HA2.0HL

Sunday 5th July – Morden Hall Park Community Festival

12.30 pm by the Snuff Mill, Morden Hall Road, Morden, London SM4 5JD

Friday 10th – Sunday 12th July – Chipperfield Weekend of Dance

Our annual weekend of dance based around this lovely village in Hertfordshire, with guest sides from around the country. See our website www.greensleevesmorris.org.uk for details.

Friday 17th July – Wimbledon

8.00 pm Dog & Fox, Wimbledon High Street SW19 5EA
9.00 pm Hand in Hand, Crooked Billet, Wimbledon SW19 4RQ

Friday 4th – Sunday 6th September – Nuneaton Weekend

We are guests of Anker Morris on their 40th anniversary Details at www.ankermm.co.uk

Friday 18th – Sunday 20th September – Hastings Weekend

We are guests of Mad Jacks Morris Details at www.madjacksmorris.co.uk

14th November – Lord Mayor's Show

10.30 am Bankside, outside Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, SE1 9DT
12.30 pm St Peter's Steps, Peter's Hill, EC4 5ER
From around 1.00 pm & 2.00 pm The Black Friar, Queen Victoria Street, EC4 4EG dependent on the parade - followed by singing and tunes in the pub until the firework display at 5.00 pm.

26th December – Boxing Day Tour

Including the famous Wimbledon Mummers Play
12.15 pm Opposite the Rose and Crown, Wimbledon High Street, SW19 5BA
1.15 pm The Hand in Hand / The Crooked Billet, Crooked Billet, SW19 4RQ

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