

Autumn / Winter Events

Wed 29th Sep onwards – Evening Practices from 8 p.m. at St Gabriel's Church Hall, Old Cwmbran and afterwards at the Mount Pleasant Inn, Old Cwmbran

- Sat 30th Oct **Otley Arms Oct-o-ber Fest, Treforest**
Fri 26th Nov **Cardiff Morris Winter Ale, Penarth**
Sun 26th Dec **Boxing Day at the Ostrich Inn, Newland**
Sat 8th Jan 11 **Wassailing at the Ostrich Inn, Newland**



The Isca Morrismen

Isca Morrismen were formed in 1976 by three experienced dancers and we take our name from the Roman Fortress which once stood on the site of the town of Caerleon. We wear the national colours of Wales - red, white and green - and a sash on which is mounted a Roman helmet badge. Our Monmouth caps were once knitted in the county and are an example of a very early medieval knitted garment.

We perform dances primarily from the Welsh Borders, Cotswolds and Lichfield. Morris dancing has an ancient history and is thought to have originated centuries ago as part of a primitive religious ceremony. Most villages throughout Britain used to have their own team of Morris dancers, many of which had died out by the end of the nineteenth century. Fortunately the dances were noted by Victorian folklorists and, thanks to their work, we are still able to perform the dances today.

Isca Morrismen maintain a long-standing tradition of dancing at pubs throughout South East Wales, bringing entertainment to the community and providing the men themselves with the opportunity to enjoy good ale! We are always delighted to welcome new members, whether beginners or experienced dancers/musicians. Our practice season begins in October each year when we meet up every Wednesday evening from 8.00pm.

Please note times shown are approximate. Sometimes circumstances beyond our control cause changes to our programme, so if you plan to travel a long way to see us, or if you would like any information, please ring one of our current officers:

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Isca Morrismen 2010 Programme

Sat 1st May May Day Dancing at Dawn
with Cardiff Ladies
5.30 a.m. Caerleon Ampitheatre

Mon 3rd May Bank Holiday Tour with
Full Moon 9.45 a.m. Newport Cathedral
10.45 a.m. Nags Head, Usk
12.00 p.m. Hen & Chickens, Abergavenny
3.00 p.m. Magor Spring Fair

Sat 8th May Tredegar House Folk Festival, Newport
12.45 p.m. Dance Procession Various spots during the afternoon

Wed 12th May Trellech Plateau 8.30 p.m. Lion Inn, Trellech

Wed 19th May Cappers Joint Tour with the Lassington Oak Morrismen
8.30 p.m. Ostrich Inn, Newland



Wed 26th May Wye Valley Joint Pub
Tour with Rag Morris from Bristol
8.30 p.m. The Anchor, Tintern
9.30 p.m. Cherry Tree Inn, Tintern

Wed 2nd June Joint Pub Tour with
Shoostering Appalachian Dancers
8.30 p.m. Wheatsheaf, Llanhennock

Thu 10th June Newport Levels Joint Tour with Pigsty Morris
8.30 p.m. Golden Lion, Magor 9.30 p.m. Wheatsheaf Inn, Magor

Sat 12th June 2 p.m. Great Welsh Beer and Cider Festival, Cardiff

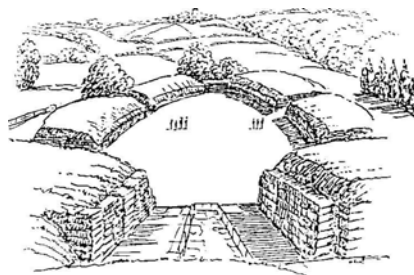
Wed 16th June Chepstow Joint Pub Tour with The Widders
8.30 p.m. Coach and Horses, Chepstow 9.30 p.m. Boat Inn, Chepstow

Sat 19th June 12.30 p.m. on Beer Festival at the Lion Inn, Trellech



Thu 24th June Joint Tour of Clevedon with
Bristol and Mendip Morrismen
8.00 p.m. Campbell's Landing, The Beach
8.45 p.m. Moon and Sixpence
9.30 p.m. Royal Oak

Wed 30th June Otley Brewery Joint Tour
with Cardiff Morris
8.30 p.m. Otley Arms, Treforest
9.30 p.m. Bunch of Grapes, Pontypridd



Sat 3rd July 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Widders Dance Weekend, Chepstow

Thu 8th July Gordano Valley Overseas Joint Tour with Mendip Morrismen
8.00 p.m. Royal Hotel, Portishead 9.00 p.m. The Ship Inn, Redcliffe Bay

Sat 10th July Summer Festivals and
Fetes Celebrations

12.00 noon Caerleon Arts Festival
2.00 p.m. Henllys Village Fete

Wed 14th July Crow Valley Joint Pub
Tour with Cwmni Gwerin Pont-y-Pŵl
8.30 p.m. The Queen, Upper Cwmbran
9.30 p.m. Mount Pleasant, Old Cwmbran



Wed 21st July Joint Tour of St. Briavels with Forest of Dean Morrismen
8.00 p.m. Crown Inn, St. Briavels 9.00 p.m. George Inn

Wed 28th July Northern Lights Joint Tour with Clocs Canton
8.30 p.m. Bear Hotel, Crickhowell 9.30 p.m. Corn Exchange, Gilwern

Sat 31st July 1.00 p.m. on - The National Eisteddfodd of Wales, Ebbw Vale

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Wed 4th Aug Isca Silurum Joint Tour with Cardiff Ladies
8.30 p.m. Greyhound Inn, Christchurch 9.30 p.m. Bell Inn, Caerleon

Fri 13th Aug Vale of Severn Joint Tour with Forest of Dean Morrismen and
Gloucestershire Morrismen 7.45 p.m. Red Lion, Westbury-on-Severn

Sat 14th Aug Pontardawe Festival with the
Sweyns Ey Morrismen

Sat 21st Aug 10.00 a.m. on - Day of Dance
around Gloucester Cathedral and Docks

Wed 25th Aug Usk Valley with The Widders
8.30 p.m. Chainbridge, Kemeys Commander

Wed 1st Sep Joint Pub Tour with Tiger Feet
Appalachian Dancers 8.30 p.m. Masons Arms, Marshfield

Wed 8th Sep Valley Dragons Tour 8.30 p.m. The Commercial, Pontymister

