Hartley Morris Men formed in 1952, the year our late Queen acceded to the throne. There have now been two Monarchs and sixteen (at the time of writing) Prime Ministers since we first entertained crowds around Kent with Cotswold style English traditional dance.

During the summer we dance out most Thursday evenings, and the odd Tuesday. Experienced Morris Men will tell you that the Morris works magic, and that it works particularly well for those members of the audience who contribute generously to our collection. We dance for the fun of it, to entertain you and to maintain one of England's great cultural traditions.

If you want to help maintain the Morris, and have some fun and laughs along the way, why not consider joining? We practice mid-September to late-April every Thursday evening, in Wrotham, from 8.30pm for a couple of hours, and then finish the evening at our local pub (which is optional!). Join us on any Thursday evening or, if you prefer to try it with other new starters, we run a series of Open Practices every Thursday during October.

We welcome all levels of male dancers. If you've never danced before we'll teach you everything you need to know. There is no cost - we provide all the tuition and most of the kit and we'll start you off slowly so you feel comfortable.



For the latest news, to find out where we are, to enquire about booking us or if you just want to become a Morris Dancer, check the website at hartleymorrismen.org.uk or, for the lazy, just scan the QR code.

## HARTLEY MORRIS MEN

## 2023 Programme

Monday 01 May BELTANE 5.32am The Coldrum Stones, Trottiscliffe ROCHESTER SWEEPS FESTIVAL

10.30am onwards - dancing in Rochester 1.00pm - singing at Three Sheets To The Wind

Thursday 04 May 8.00pm - The Penny Farthing, Crayford

Monday 08 May THE CORONATION TOUR 12.30pm - Plaxtol Music Festival 1.30pm - White Rock Inn, Underriver 3.00pm - East Peckham Village Celebrations 4.30pm - Hoo Village Celebrations

Thursday 11 May 8.00pm - Cardinal's Error, Tonbridge 9.00pm - The Nelson Arms, Tonbridge

Thursday 18 May 8.00pm - 10:50 From Victoria, Strood 9.00pm - Gardeners Arms, Higham

Thursday 25 May 8.00pm - The Greyhound, Charcott With Guests Marlings Morris

<u>Tuesday</u> 30 May 8.00pm - The Compasses, Tunbridge Wells 9.00pm - Grove Tavern, Tunbridge Wells As Guests of Ravensbourne Morris Men

Friday O9 June - Sunday 11 June BELGIUM - dancing & singing in Flanders

Saturday 17 June 11.30am - 1.00pm - Shipbourne School Fete

Thursday 22 June 8.00pm - The Three Horseshoes, Knockholt 9.00pm - The Bricklayers Arms, Chipstead

Thursday 29 June 8.00pm - The Kentish Rifleman, Dunks Green Thursday O6 July 8.00pm - The Railway Tavern, Bromley 9.00pm - The Red Lion, Bromley With Guests The Belles of London City

Saturday 08 July KENT COUNTY SHOW Kent Showground, Detling, Maidstone ME14

<u>Tuesday</u> 11 July 8.00pm - The Ship, Lower Upnor 9.00pm - The Kings Arms, Upper Upnor

Friday 14 July - Sunday 16 July THE SHEPHERD NEAME TOUR

Thursday 20 July 8.00pm - The Rising Sun, Twitton

Thursday 27 July 8.00pm - The Chequers Inn, Laddingford With Guests Kits Coty Morris

Thursday 03 August 8.00pm - The Chequers, Sevenoaks 9.00pm - The Anchor, Sevenoaks

Friday 11 August - Saturday 18 August BROADSTAIRS FOLK WEEK

<u>Tuesday</u> 22 August 8.00pm - The Chequers, South Darenth 9.00pm - The Bull, Horton Kirby

Thursday 31 August 8.00pm - Walking tour of AYLESFORD

<u>Tuesday</u> 05 September 8.00pm - Walking tour of WROTHAM

HARTLEY WARNING

Always confirm details by checking the website before leaving home