

April

Fri 16th - **Oxford Folk Festival**
Sun 18th Dancing around Oxford

May

Sat 1st **Painswick Beacon** 5:30am
Welcoming the Summer with
Gloucestershire Morris Men

Sat 1st to **Upton upon Severn** All
Mon 3rd **Folk Festival** Weekend
Dancing around Upton

Mon **Carpenters Arms, Miserden** 7:30pm
10th

Tues 18th **Crown Inn, Frampton Mansell** 7:45pm
as guests of
Gloucestershire Morris Men

Sun 23rd **Kirsties' Tour around Bredon Hill**

Mon 31st **South Cerney Fete** 1:45pm &
2:45pm

June

Sun 6th **Kirtlington Lamb Ale**
Kirtlington

Tue 8th **The Hawbridge, Tirley** 7:45pm
with Guests - Old Meg Morris

Mon **The Falcon, Painswick** 7:45pm
14th with England's Glory Morris

Mon 21st **The Butchers' Arms,** 8:00pm
Sheepscombe
with guests
Lassington Oak Morris Men

Mon **The Ram at Woodchester** 7:45pm
28th

*Dates & times are subject to variation - for up-to-date info,
please look at www.stroudmorris.org.uk*

July

Fri 2nd to **Great Western Morris**
Sun 4th **40th Anniversary Ale**
Devon

Wed 7th **Fox and Hounds, Acton Tur-** 7:45pm
ville with guests Chippenham
Morris

Sat 10th **Amberley Garden Trail Social** 6:00pm
Evening
Amberley Village Green

Mon **The Lammastide Inn,** 7:45pm
12th **Berkeley**

Mon **Rattlebone, Sherston** 7:45pm
19th with guests
Priston Jubilee Morris

Mon tbc 7:45pm
26th



August

Mon **George Inn, Newmarket** 7:45pm
16th

Mon **The Crown, Minchinhampton** 7:45pm
23rd **Ragged Cot, Michinhampton** 8:45pm

September

Mon 6th **AGM** 7:45pm
Private Event

Mon **1st evening of** 7:45pm
13th **'A Taste of Morris'**
free course
Five Valleys Scout Centre

Fri 17th **Boggart's Breakfast weekend**
to Sun **of dance**
19th Hathersage, Derbyshire

October

Sun 3rd **Obbly Onker competition** 12pm
venue to be confirmed



Stroud Morris Dancers

The origins of Morris Dancing are lost in the depths of time, but references to it have been traced back as early as the 14th Century in England, and slightly earlier in mainland Europe.

There are many different forms of Morris Dancing, but in this part of the country it is Cotswold Morris that is most widely seen.

Stroud Morris Men started in 1978, with Stroud Morris Ladies being formed the following year. Sadly, due to members moving to other parts of the country, the men stopped dancing 3 years ago, but the Ladies are dancing stronger than ever before.

Stroud Ladies, whose repertoire and style are unique, were the first womens Cotswold side to be invited to dance at Sidmouth International Folk Festival and have once again been asked to perform there this year, as well as at Warwick Festival.

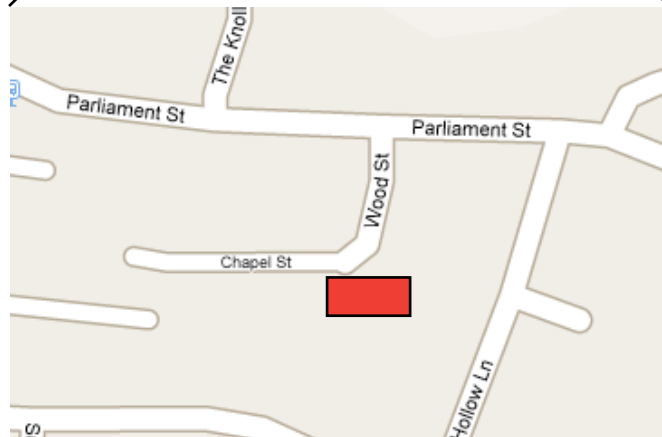
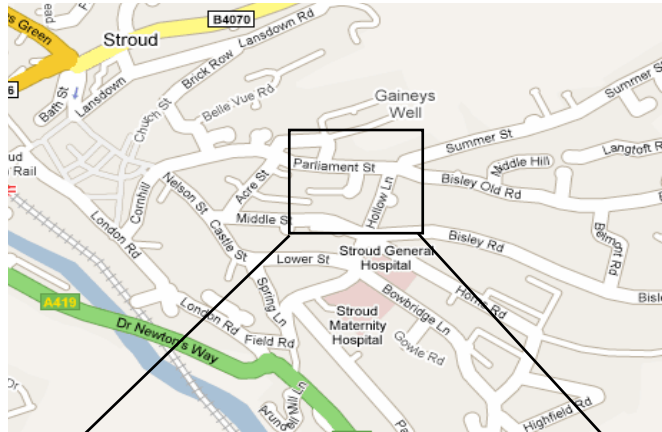
Stroud Morris Dancers don't just dance in England. In the last few years they've danced at festivals in Poland and Germany, and in 2008 were guests of Cambrils Bal des Bastons - a Catalan (Spain) stick dancing team whose dances share a common origin with Morris.

Each Morris side has its own particular costume. Strouds red and green colours are taken from the Stroud town crest. The red symbolises the military cloth that it once produced and the green - the green hills that surround the town.

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How to find us

Stroud Morris Dancers meet on Monday evenings at the Scout Hut in Wood Street, Stroud from 7:45 to 9:30pm during the practice Season (September to end of April). The first practice for the 2011 season will be on Monday 13th September and we welcome new dancers and musicians. If you'd like to participate in our thriving folk tradition, why not come along? If you'd like further details, just have a chat with any member of the side when you see us performing, or 'phone or email either our Bagman (Mark & Lynn) or Squire (Pauline).



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