

THE LETTER

→ Read it all ←

May 10, 1973
7 Francis Ave.
Cambridge, Mass 02138
(617) 547-4017

How it all is, and/or will be.

Get to me fast if any detail is not understood or is incorrect.

Flight ① From Logan Airport, Boston, May 23 - Wed. 8 PM: Sam, Dick, Roger, Fred, Dinah, Ed Mason, Andy Woolf, Ann Mason, Jody Evans. 6 men 3 women.

Plan to: (a) be at airport early, in whites + baldric, bells, etc. We hope to have Boston papers cover departure & do a set dance at airport. All are invited to assemble at Roger's house from 4 pm on, in afternoon, for final checkout, & tea (!) (Ale).

Try to keep luggage, packs - small & easily luggable. You are allowed 44 lbs. per person + small pack/bag for seat-lap.

Check your passport, Travellers Cheques. No shots needed. Group gear will be apportioned among men. Write your passport no. on something else.

Flight ② From Kennedy Airport, N.Y.C. May 27th - in A.M.: Karl Rodgers, John Dexter, Diane Hulbert. Pan Am flight 100

Flight ③ From Kennedy, N.Y.C. May 30. Howard Seidel arriving 21:40

Tickets: Those who arranged through me: pay me, personally, by May 18 \$259 for round trip - 22 to 45 days.

The other Side: Our HQ for first few days is at Michael Blanford's:

% Garden Flat, 82 Maida Vale, London W9 2PR - (Phone 01-624-2887).

"Granny" Dixon oversees all at the Garden Flat. I shall try to arrange transport from Heathrow Airport, at which we'll arrive about 7:30 A.M., to Michael's. Flights 2 & 3 will be met & escorted.

Key addresses: A sheet of these attached. Suggest you do not use Cecil Sharp House as forwarding/holding mail. They are overloaded, as is.

Gear may be stored at Michael's. Money may be changed at Heathrow.

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DANCING Core list of dances: Each man responsible for at least one; I'll take the others.

Headington - Rodney
Bledington - William + Nancy
Bampton - Bobbing Along
Field Town - Balance the Straw
Adderbury - Black Joke
Longborough - Swaggering Boney

Lichfield - Ring O' Bells
Bucknell - Queen's Delight
Eynsham - Brighton Camp
Brackley - Shooting - or -
 Jockie to the Fair
Badby - ?
Ilmington - ?

DANCING : On Team Practice :

We shall hope to get in at least one practice at Bennington - possibly Sunday morning or early aft. Perhaps some men will be free to join together + practice Mon. + Tues. eves prior to leaving. We shall make strong efforts to have steady practice the first few days in England.

Each man may think of one jig he can brush up for the trip. check with Andy on the tune.

Tuesday - May 22 - John Dexter will come up from NY. + we should try for a local practice Tues. eve; and/or Wed a.m.

ENGLAND Again: Call from Michael Blanford this morn (5-16):

He will meet us at airport. We shall arrange for a Ford 12-seater van for first week at least. We have many invitations to dance. Michael kindly offered to help obtain invitations to the Playford Ball in Cambridge, Sat. June 16. It's quite delightful - I went last summer. Colin Fleming, Squire of the Ring, has arranged for us to tour with Teams at Thaxted but unlikely that we can attend least as space is very limited + teams book months in advance. There will be carousing at the BULL, however. Michael may arrange with us to share a campsite with London Pride (his team). See the letter from Nat. Geographic about the Cotswolds + Morris.

If any questions arise feel free to call me - 547-4017

- Roger

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Michael Blanford LP-TM-CMM
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1973 FOLK EVENTS

These are some of the more important events of 1973 of which we have knowledge at the time of going to press. There will be many others, including a lot of Summer Folk Festivals which will be announced later. (A list of Summer Folk Events including Festivals, will be available from Cecil Sharp House in the Spring.) Dates may be subject to alteration, so please check beforehand.

Feb.

- 2-4 Music Weekend, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 10 Clay Cross Folk Festival, Derbyshire
- 14-15 Midland Folk Festival, Birmingham
- 16 Albert's In Town Ceilidh, Old Hampstead Town Hall, London
- 16-17 Folk Festival '73, Royal Albert Hall, London
- 16-18 Young Folk Weekend, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 17 Festival Tea Dance, Cecil Sharp House, London
- 17 Festival Ceilidh, Cecil Sharp House, London
- 18 Festival At Home, Cecil Sharp House, London

Mar.

- 2 S.W. Area Weekend, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 3 15th Hitchin Gathering, Town Hall, Hitchin, Herts.
- 16-18 Weekend of Dancing, North Barn, Crowlink, Surrey
- 16-18 Devon Playford Weekend, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 21-22 Two Day Leader's Course, Gainsborough, Lincs.
- 23-25 Weekend of Workshops, Cowley Manor, near Cheltenham
- 24 Eastern Area Folk Day, Cecil Sharp House, London
- 30-Apr. 1 Running Set and Folk Song Weekend, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 31 Yorkshire Folk Festival, Harrogate

Apr.

- 6-8 Spring Weekend, Cliftonville, Kent
- 9-14 EFDSS National Training Course, Leicester
- 10-15 Dalcroze Movement and Music Course, Chelsea
- 13-15 Berkshire District Weekend, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 14 Northumbrian Gathering, Morpeth
- 19-21 Easter House Party, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 20-22 5th Inverness Folk Festival
- 21 Easter Course, Blackpool
- 24 Children's House Party, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 27-29 Hertfordshire District Weekend, Halsway Manor, Somerset

May

- 11-13 Felixstowe Folk International
- 18-20 St. Albans Folk Festival
- 26-28 Cleethorpes Folk Festival
- 26-28 Chichester Spring Folk Festival
- 26-Jun. 2 Spring Folk Holiday Week, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 28 Spring Bank Holiday Festival, Lacock

*Abingdon
Mayor Making*

June

- 1-3 ~~Morris Ring Meeting, Thaxted~~
- 8-10 Christchurch Folk Festival
- 9 Hexham Folk Festival (Prov.)
- 10 Open Day, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 15-17 Aberfeldy Folk Singing Festival
- 15-17 Midsummer Festival, Spencers Wood, Near Reading
- 16 Gorhambury Folk Festival, Herts.
- 16 Folk Night, Michelham Priory, Sussex
- 22-24 Midsummer Madness Weekend, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 30 Wells Folk Festival

July

- 7 Stainsby Folk Festival
- 13-15 ~~Morris Ring Meeting, Gloucester~~
- 23 National Training Course in Bandsmanship, Bath
- 28-Aug. 4 A Week with K. and J. Mitchell, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 28-Aug. 18 Folk Camp, Central France

Aug.

- 3-10 Sidmouth Folk Festival
- 4-11 All Aspects of Music, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 5-11 Summer Folk House Party, Westham House, Barford
- 11-18 A Week with Thames Valley, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 18-25 Playford Week, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 19-24 Whitby Folk Festival
- 24-27 Cornwall Folk Festival, Wadebridge
- 25-Sep. 1 Summer School, Burton Manor, Wirral, Cheshire
- 25-Sep. 2 A Week with G. and M. Phelps, Halsway Manor, Somerset
- 31-Sep. 2 Morris Ring Meeting, Yeovil

Sep.

- 6-8 ~~Morris Ring Meeting, Uttoxeter~~
- 8 ~~Lynemouth Folk Song and Dance Festival~~
- 14-16 Loughborough Folk Festival
- 14-16 Morris Ring Meeting, Ipswich/Felixstowe
- 29 Bath Assembly

Oct.

- 6 Folkeast '73
- 13 Folksouth '73
- 20 Folkwest '73
- 20 N. and N.E. Area Gathering, Fulford, Yorks.

Nov.

- 10 EFDSS A.G.M. National Gathering and Autumn Bazaar, Cecil Sharp House, London
- 16-18 Weekend, Barton Hall, Torquay

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May 11, 1973

Mr. Roger Cartwright
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Dear Mr. Cartwright:

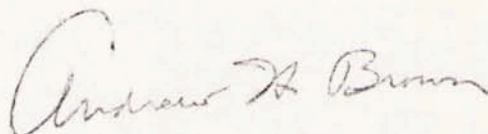
Thank you for sending the broad assortment of new materials on Morris Dancing.

I've discussed this project with several of our editors, and the consensus is that we'll try to cover something of Morris Dancing in this summer's coverage of the Cotswolds, which I told you about.

May we hold the materials for the present, in case they may be useful to us in photographic planning?

We do appreciate your interest and the abundant information you've provided.

Sincerely,



AHB:act

The Morris Ring

Squire:

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11th May 1973

Roger Cartwright
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U.S.A.

Dear Roger,

Thank you for your letter, I am delighted to hear that I shall see a Pinewoods Team this season .

I have spoken to John Bull at Thaxted and he has arranged for you to join a tour. He regrets though, that the Feast has been fully booked for some months. The Morris is so popular nowadays that all Ring Meetings tend to be over-subscribed soon after the first circular is issued - and Thaxted especially so. If you could eat elsewhere it would be quite alright to come into the hall as soon as the men are served coffee. I have asked John to put you at the top of the list for any cancellations. Camping will be in the Vicarage Garden as before, but if you need any additional details contact John Bull or me when you arrive.

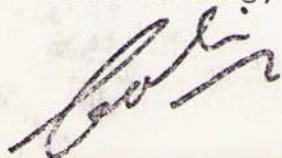
I hope you you find all the dancing you need with the Teams you are contacting - John Wells is the best man to ask. Sorry, cancel that, I've just realised John will be on holiday then! I was about to say ask John for details of who is dancing where - I will do my best to help. The only advice I must give is please don't dance on your own anywhere without contacting local clubs, through me if necessary, about the situation with Police and other authorities. I'm sorry we have to do this but it is a point I am pushing to all clubs as I receive many complaints about clubs moving into others' territories without warning or permission from the authorities and sometimes spoiling the local club's chances for a long time.

I have no personal contacts for hiring minibuses but I am told the Colindale Motors near Maida Vale specialise in hiring VW's. However, there are now many firms in London so you should be able to do a good deal somewhere.

I look forward to seeing you soon, not at Bampton, though, as I hope to go to Lichfield for Bower Day - I will certainly be in Headington in the evening for their dancing - you will meet several of them in Bampton earlier.

Must go now and polish my shoes for the Westminster Day of Dancing tomorrow.

Good dancing,



The English Folk Dance and Song Society,
Cecil Sharp House,
2 Regent's Park Road,
London NW1 7AY.

16th May, 1973.

Dear Roger,

Thank you for your letter of April 23rd telling me of the team that is coming over early in June, I had already received warning of this from Karl Rodgers.

Whether or not I will see you at Thaxted I am not sure, because I am taking a holiday just before then and I don't know if I shall be back, however, I hope to see you all in London and maybe then we can see if there are any events that you might like to go to during your stay here.

I should imagine you want time to look around rather than be Morris dancing all the time. I wonder if Michael has fixed up a tour with his Club for you.

Anyway, when you arrive ring me here at the House and no doubt we can arrange a meeting with everybody.

Yours sincerely,



Artistic Director

11 May 1973

(Phone 56376 -
Cambridge code:
OCA 3)

Dear Roger,

THE GREAT ENGLISH CAPER!

Absolutely great to hear that Yankee Morris Men are coming to cavort upon the greens of England. I for one shall sit at your dancing feet, and although honestly thoughts of fertility are alien to my woman's lib frame of mind, I am altogether enthusiastic about shaking off the Dark and Evil.

Of course I remember our very pleasant chat in Bev's kitchen, and Cathy especially thinks about how to roll up into a basket. Which I had completely forgotten!

It would be nice if you could stay with us while in Cambridge. Perhaps you'd like to phone us when you arrive and know your schedule. There is a primary school holiday the last week in May, at which time we plan to go to Oxford (where we're moving to in August) and tidy up a farm cottage in the village of Lewknor which we'll rent for a year. (16 miles SE of Oxford) The rest of May and June we'll remain in Cambridge. We've got plenty of room here in our Cambridge house, and would be delighted to have the chance to show you round all the pleasant Cambridgeshire places which you may have time to visit. Roger is on a sabbatical term, and although working hard on writing has time to fit in all sorts of extracurricular activities. So let us know your plans.

Speaking of CAPERS, I'm glad to see that Watergate finally developed into a MESS. I've been devouring all news on the subject and following it all with keen interest. The US sounds in convulsions at the moment. Perhaps some good will come of it, after all.

*You and Sally have a
pleasant trip over.
Barbara H.*



The Traditional Abingdon Morris Dancers

Colin Corner 18 The Grove Abingdon
& Nuclear Physics Lab. Oxford.

PROGRAMME 1973

MAY

TUESDAY MAY 1ST OXFORD MAY MORNING, Rose Lane, 5.30. a.m.

Evening Tour (1)

MONDAY MAY 7TH THE VINE CARPENTERS ARMS WAGGON & HORSES
Long Wittenham Appleford Culham
Leave Railway 7 p.m. approx.

SATURDAY MAY 12TH WESTMINSTER, LONDON DAY OF DANCE
Leave Railway early morning 8 a.m.

Evening Tour (2)

MONDAY MAY 21ST With Kennet Morris Men
BARLEY MOW 4 POINTS
Blewbury Aldworth
BAMPTON (SPRING HOLIDAY) 6 p.m.

MONDAY MAY 28TH
Thurs 31 to Sun 2

in Belgium

JUNE

Evening Tour (3)

MONDAY JUNE 4TH BYSTANDER THE VINE FAIR ROSAMOND
Wootton Cunnor Botley

SATURDAY JUNE 16TH ABINGDON, "MAYOR OF OCK STREET CEREMONY"

Evening Tour (4)

MONDAY JUNE 25TH RED LION ADMIRAL BENBOW GEORGE & DRAGON
Drayton Milton Sutton Courtenay

SATURDAY JUNE 30TH JOHN MASON SCHOOL, SUMMER FAYRE, Abingdon, Afternoon

JULY

SUNDAY JULY 1ST BLEWBURY FETE ? Afternoon

Evening Tour (5)

MONDAY JULY 9TH GALLEYFIELDS ESTATE TANDEM FLOWING WELL INN
Radley Road Kennington Sunningwell

FRIDAY JULY 13TH
SATURDAY JULY 14TH BATH, "MONARCHY 1,000 FESTIVAL"
SUNDAY JULY 15TH

AUGUST

Evening Tour (6)

MONDAY AUGUST 6TH QUEENS CAMPBELL DRIVE BOUNDARY HOUSE
Abingdon Market Square ESTATE Abingdon
Radley Road

ANCIENT MEN NEWSLETTER - April 1973

This year has seen a revitalising of many of the functions of O.U.M.M. due principally to our excellent bagman John Stott. He has proved strenuous not only in his efforts to relieve men of their money but also in his ability to keep men well supplied with liquid refreshment. The post of bagman has now become a benevolent dictatorship. John Stott is spending the Easter vacation in America, but not, he assures me, in order to collect men's subscriptions.

This year has also seen the inauguration of endurance test dancing and drinking. At the end of the Trinity Term a select band of athletes-cum-dipsomaniacs soldiered through Teddy Hall Ball over Friday Night, the Day of Dance on Saturday and Teddy Hall M.C.R. Party on Sunday afternoon - followed by an evening's drinking and dancing in the Wharf House. The summer tours were in the same vein. Dave Spiers organised the 6 Counties Tour (which stretched over five counties) and John Forrest organised the Bucks Tour for the week after. None but the brave ventured to stay for the full two weeks, and all four were posthumously awarded arm-bands and bar (the Ancient Men's VC). Dave Spiers' tour, which was nicknamed the M4 Tour, was on the whole a mobile, well-spaced tour, while John Forrest's, which was organised on a bicycle, suffered from a lack of transport and was compact. These tours saw the welcome return of John Mason to the fold (did he return from Canada to avoid an omnipresent Stott?) On the summer tours, also, Roger Cartwright, an itinerant American morris-man, and Mr Alex Tofield were made Ancient Men.

May Morning, being on a Monday, last year promised at first to be a quieter affair than usual but due to John Stott's untiring efforts and the insatiable thirsts of a hard core of men it retained its riotous nature. After breakfast men retired to the Wharf House for a quiet drink and then, goaded by Abingdon M.M. went to the Royal Oak to dance. The landlord proved exceptionally genial in keeping men's throats oiled, and endeared them forever by entertaining them all afternoon in the back room. This small band was then spirited away by a fifty-seater coach (another of John Stott's efforts) to the White-knights tour around Reading. A similar programme has been arranged this year for those men who can get the necessary three days off work. However, this year, since the retirement of George and Ruby Keefe and the advent of a new landlord has made the Wharf House uninhabitable, men will meet on Monday 30th April in the RADCLIFFE ARMS in Jericho.

The first evening tour of Michaelmas term saw the brief return of Johnnie Walker, and the Feast, the week after, saw the permanent (?) return of the Boot. This was not the only surprise: Bruce Tofield, now in America, sent the necessary funds to buy a round at the same function. It seems that when men leave these shores they also leave behind some of the inner man.

The Ale was very well attended this year, probably due to the 54 gallons of Hook Norton ale supplied by John Stott (Roger Bryant even returned from Australia for the event). John Dawson danced himself out rather drily and John Forrest danced himself in as Squire rather moistly. The little men, who are very thick on the ground (sic(k)) this year, gave some spirited displays of Bampton and Headington (and later in the evening Lichfield and Stanton Harcourt) and showed all the signs of becoming hardened campaigners....

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

MARTIN SYKES - BIRTH of a scheme to buy a new brewery in Loughborough.

CHRIS ALLEN - Announced forthcoming MARRIAGE to Shelagh.

JOHN STOTT - DEATH of the concept of the Inefficient Bagman.

Wassail.

John Forrest.

The summer's timetable is as follows:

Tues 1st May	Mayday
Sat 12th May	Two afternoon stands at fetes
Sat 19th May	Derby Day of Dance. Ancient Men have been invited to this event and it is expected that in particular men based in Lancs & Yorks may wish to attend. Meet at Kegworth (near M1) 10.30.
— Sat 26th May	Meadow Fair and ANCIENT MAN TOUR
— Mon 28th May	Bampton
— Mon 4th June	(probably) Kirtlington
Sat 9th June	Fete at Ampney House
— Sat 16th June	June Fair and Abingdon Mayor Making
— Sat 23rd June	Day of Dancing

September 28th-30th OUMM - CRMM Reunion, to be held somewhere in Derbyshire.
The organiser is one J. Pilling of 126 Railway Street, Nelson, Lancs.

SUMMER TOURS:

July 15th-21st Cheshire Tour - organiser Fred Pargeter, 43 Oakthorpe Road, Oxford.

8-14 July or August Evesham Tour - organiser Charles Menteith, 38 Harvey Road, Evesham, Worcs.

The date of this tour is still to be made known, but men should not for that reason delay placing themselves on Charlie's mailing list.

The coupons below should be detached and sent attached to a POSTCARD please, accompanied by one Guinness label only, to the appropriate address.

To Mr John Forrest,
202 Iffley Road,
Oxford.

- (i) I am coming to May Morning.
- (ii) I need floor space.

To Mr Fred Pargeter,
43 Oakthorpe Road,
Oxford.

- (i) I should like/hate to come on your Tour.
- (ii) Please send details

To Mr Charles Menteith,
38 Harvey Road,
Evesham, Worcs.

- (I) I should like/hate to come on your Tour.
- (ii) When is it?

Royston 42127



The Cambridge Morris Men

47 Spring Lane
Barningbourn
Royston
Herts.
8 May 1973

Dear Roger,

Many thanks for your letter and the photo's therewith will pass on to Richard Doe.

Glad to hear that you are bringing a complete side to Thanted, should cause a stir. You may not know that Father Jack retired in March but I expect he will come over for the King Meeting he lives in Saffron Walden.

I enclose our programme for the summer which as you know is only active on Fridays. I suppose some of you could come and view the flat fens on 25th or even dance at Waterbeach Fair and Cambridge Regatta on Saturday but I expect you would rather wait until June 8th as you will want to be in Thanted at the Bull on June 8th. As we are active on Saturdays 26, 2nd and 16th I don't think we can consider a tour on the 9th and I think an extra evening would be out.

The best bet is for you to ring me. I shall probably be in

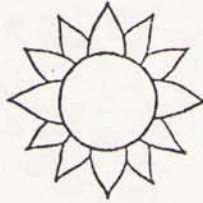
after 7:30 on 24th, out 25th out all day 26th, out morning (at least) of 27th but
in an evening, not sure about Bampton Monday, etc.

The T.M. only functions for the last week in June and starts July
so that won't suit you.

Hoping to see you in the course of time

Yours

John



The Cambridge Morris Men

IT IS PLANNED TO GIVE SHOWS AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES :-

1973

Saturday April 28th	11.00	Littleport	Church
	12.00) Ely	Palace Green
	2.30) Sutton	Church
	3.45	Mepal	High Street
	5.30	Witcham	White Horse
	6.15	Lt. Downham	High Street
	7.30		
Friday May 4th	7.15	Rampton	The Green
	8.15	Willingham	The Church
Friday May 11th	7.15	Toft	Red Lion
	8.45	Hardwick	Blue Lion
Friday May 18th	7.30	Babraham	George
	8.30	Pampisford	Chequers
<u>Friday May 25th</u>	7.30	Wilburton	School House Lane
	8.30	Haddenham	Three Kings
Friday June 1st	7.30	West Wrattling	Lamb
	8.30	Balsham	Bell
Saturday June 2nd		Morris Ring Meeting	Thaxted 5.30 - 6.30 p.m.
Friday June 8th	7.30	Coton	Church
	8.30	Grantchester	Rose & Crown
	9.15	- do -	Green Man
Friday June 15th	7.00	CAMBRIDGE	Gt. St. Mary's Church
	(approx)		other sites later
Saturday July 21st	3.00	Cambridge Festival Show with English and Scottish dancing etc....	King's Parade

DR. IRVINE REID

TELEPHONE: 4595 or 2706

20 BATH ROAD
FELIXSTOWE
SUFFOLK
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10th May 73

Dear Roger,

I thought that I would write at once just in case I catch you before you leave. I enclose the ESMM programme. We should be very very pleased for you to join us on any of those Shows. But WE WILL PUT ON AN EVENING TOUR ON ANY DAY OR CONSECUTIVE DAYS THAT SUIT YOU TO COME TO SUFFOLK (except on Tuesdays).

We will also accomodate you for a time in Suffolk so there is no need to worry about having a bed and roof in this part of the world.

As far as transport is concerned I cannot be much help. I shall need my own in that time of the year, otherwise I should have lent it to you. Actually, at this moment it is off the Road as the result of an accident and I have had to hire a Mini-bus to replace it. This is a 12 seater Ford and is costing me £24 per week plus 3p per mile. I was able to acquire it at 24hrs notice in Ipswich. I would have thought that split between 9 of you this could be quite reasonable to allow you full freedom of travel. All you need to produce is a Driving Licence valid in this country. You might need a Guarantor to proof your bona fides, and I should be happy to act in this capacity.

As far as ESMM are concerned, we are going from strength to strength. Last weekend we entertained a Team of Dutch Dancers and were able to put on a Show with 3 musicians, a Fool, a Horse and three sides of men dancing! The Dutch had a total of 23 people so you can see that a mere 9 will be no strain on our accomodation.

You will see from our programme that there is a RING Meeting in Yorkshire on June 8-10. Your men would be shaken at their knees to see 200 other Morris Men at one time. I will send the address of the Ring Meeting Organisers to Michael in case you want to get into touch with them. It is to be a cheap meeting, sleeping in a school as at Sutton Coldfield last year.

Looking forward to seeing you, give me a ring (on the telephone) when you arrive here.

Yours

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DR. IRVINE REID

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11.may.73

Dear Roger,

If you received a letter from me before you left the States, don't bother to read on because this will only be an approximate copy.

I enclose an ESMM programme on which you will see the dates which are already arranged for Shows, at any of which you will all be welcome. Accomodation can be arranged for you all in our various houses. Since we have just had 23 dancers from Holland spending a weekend with us, a mere 9 will not be any problem.

If our Mondays are not convenient to you, we will arrange a another week night tour in Suffolk for you or even a couple of evenings. However NOT on a Tuesday, which is the evening that the Folk Dance Club has its jollifications.

You didn't give the dates that you are in England, but did you know that there are RING Meetings at Thaxted on June 3/5 and in Yorkshire on June 8/10. East Suffolk are going to the latter where we hope to meet up with a lot of new Clubs.

Regarding your transport problem. My own mini-bus is currently off the road following an accident and I have hired one. The cost of hiring is £24 per week plus 3P per mile. Such a 'bus would easily seat 9 and all your luggage and would work out at not much more than £1 per day per man. All you need to produce is a current driving licence valid in this Country. You may need a British guarantor, and I should be happy to act in that capacity.

I look forward to hearing from you with any ideas you may have. If you decide to 'phone it is best to do so on 4595 Felixstowe, and to do so between 13.00 and 13.30, or better still between 23.00 and 24.00. Alternatively, you could phone Felixstowe 2706 at any time (there is always an answer to that number) and leave a message of a time and number at which I can call you back.

The reason I type my letters
is to make them legible to
the recipient.

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Yours CTF

Irvine

EAST SUFFOLK MORRIS MEN

For over a thousand years it has been the tradition in England for the men of a village to dance the Morris at Whitsun as part of the Spring Fertility Rites, to wave away the devils of the Winter and encourage the crops to grow in the coming Summer. We are maintaining this tradition and bringing some entertainment to you at the same time. If you wish to learn anything more about English traditional dances please ask us.

<u>PROGRAMME</u>	<u>SUMMER</u>	<u>1973</u>			
Saturday	May	12	11.00	Needham Market	'Bull'
			12.00	Ipswich	'Man on the Moon' Fircroft Rd.
			1.15	Felixstowe Ferry	'Victoria'
Sunday	May	13	2.15	Pier Pavilion, Felixstowe as part of Felixstowe International Folk Festival	
Monday	May	21	7.30	Holbrook	'Compasses'
			8.15	Stutton	'Kings Head'
Monday	May	28	11.00	Sudbury	Market Hill
			11.45	Long Melford	'Bull'
			2.30	Lavenham	Square
			4.00	Kersey	
			5.00	Boxford	
Monday	June	4	7.30	East Bergholt	'Red Lion' New Flatford Mill
			8.30	Stratford St. Mary	'Swan'
Monday	June	11	8.00	Hacheston	'Old Queen's Head' 2 afternoons
Monday	June	18	7.45	Haughley	'Kings Arms' singing, Ban etc
			8.30	Mendlesham	'Kings Head' at western table
Monday	June	25	8.00	Woolpit	'Swan' (1633!) A.D.
			8.45	Norton	'Dog' THIS IS THE
Monday	July	2	7.45	Earl Soham	'Victoria' <u>RENT</u>
			8.30	Saxtead	'Volunteer' wait Monday
Monday	July	9	8.00	Southwold	South Green is the day
			9.00	Southwold	Harbour after whitsun!
Monday	July	16	7.30	Eyke	
			8.30	Blaxhall	

The East Suffolk Morris Men will also be dancing with other Morris Clubs at meetings of the Morris Ring.

Berkeley, Yorkshire	June 8 - 10
Yeovil, Somerset	August 31 - 2 September

Several other Clubs will join us in Suffolk on September 15.

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Dear Roger Cartwright,

Lacock 1973

Your letter to Nigel and Tricia has been handed on to me as Organiser of this year's Lacock Festival. Nigel is likely to go to Australia and naturally can't get involved with the Festival. Because of the fact that last year's effort lost a lot of money plus the fact that Lacock was really not a large enough place to run such an elaborate one we have had to make this year's a rather smaller Festival.

The programme is, - Sat. May 26th. May Revel Tythe Barn 8-0pm Sunday May 27th. 10-0 a.m. Morris and Country Tours through local villages. Lunch snacks 1-0 p.m. At 2-30 an open air dance on the hill by Westbury White Horse. Monday May 28th. the day begins at 10-0 a.m and throughout the day there will be Song Concerts, Ceilidhs in the Tythe Barn and Village Hall with street dancing until mid-night.

We would be delighted for you to come along and take part, we were not allowed a camp site within the village but there is one at Mr. Ham, Seend Row Farm, Seend, Melksham, Wiltshire. There should be plenty of room for you.

Looking forward to seeing you at Lacock
1973.

Yours sincerely,

Sunday evening 8-0 p.m
Song Concert

Bill Bush
Organiser

LP - London Pride MM

LONDON PRIDE MORRIS MEN

Programme of shows proposed for 1973

Sat. April 14 Sat. April 28	<u>St. John's Wood</u>	Heroes of Alma, Alma Sq. N.W.8. about	7.00 p.m.
	<u>Croydon Arts Festival</u> , St. George's St.	3 p.m.	
		St. George's Walk Precinct	4.00 p.m.
		Outside Fairfield Halls	7.00 p.m.
Friday May 4	✓ <u>LITTLE VENICE</u>	The Gondolier, Lord Hill's Rd. W.2.	7.30 p.m.
		The Prince Albert, Castellain Rd.	8.15 p.m.
		The Warwick Castle, Warwick Place	9.00 p.m.
Monday May 14	<u>ISLINGTON</u>	The Marquess Tavern, 52 Canonbury St.	7.30 p.m.
		The Camden Head, Camden Walk, N.1.	8.30 p.m.
<u>Sat. June 3</u>	<u>KENSINGTON</u>	St. Mary Abbot's Hospital Fete	
		during afternoon	
		Macfisheries, Notting Hill Gate	7.00 p.m.
		Elephant and Castle, Holland St. W.8.	8.00 p.m.
		Builders Arms, Kensington Court Place	9.00 p.m.
<u>Monday June 18</u>	<u>GOODGE ST.</u>	Duke of York, Rathbone St. W.1.	7.30 p.m.
	<u>AREA</u>	The Hope, Tottenham St. W.1.	8.30 p.m.
Monday July 2	<u>ST. JOHN'S</u>	The Clifton, Clifton Hill, N.W.8.	7.30 p.m.
	<u>WOOD</u>	The Heroes of Alma, Alma Sq. N.W.8.	8.30 p.m.
Sat. July 7	<u>CHELSEA</u>	Private shows in Brompton Hospital	4.00 p.m.
		Sloane Square,	7.00 p.m.
		King's Road end of Royal Avenue	7.45 p.m.
		Anglesea Arms, Selwood Terrace, S.W.7.	9.00 p.m.
Sat. July 21	<u>RICHMOND</u>	Richmond Green,	3.00 p.m.
	<u>AND</u>	Towpath below Castle Ballroom	3.45 p.m.
	<u>Kew GARDEN</u>	Kew Gardens Gate	6.00 p.m.
		The King's Arms, Kew Green	7.00 p.m.
		City Barge, Strand-on-the-Green	8.00 p.m.
Sat. Sept. 15	WEST DRAYTON ARTS FESTIVAL, at time to be arranged		
	<u>KENSINGTON</u>	Commonwealth Institute in Kensington	
		High St.	7.00 p.m.
		Hansom Cab, Pembroke St. off Barls	
		Court Rd.	7.45 p.m.
		Scarsdale Arms, Edwardes Sq. W.8.	8.30 p.m.

While every effort will be made to carry out these shows, weather or other unforeseen circumstances could lead to cancellations, and you are advised to check with the Squire (A. E. Purver, 25 Woodman Road, Coulsdon, Surrey, CR5 3HQ Tel. No. 660 4343) or the Bagman (Allan Edwards, Mill Cottage, Toot Hill, Nr. Ongar, Essex, CM5 9JB Tel. No. 037 882 (North Weald) 2931) to make sure that shows will take place.

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We regret that owing to commitments with the Morris Ring of England, The Travelling Morrice, and other clubs, we are unable to help the organisers of other charity shows than those listed above.

Our club, London Pride, has been flourishing since before the Second World War. We dance the ritual men's morris - the origins of which are lost in pre-history - and country dances with the lady members of our club. If you wish to know more about morris or country dancing, please get in touch with our Squire or Bagman.



THE OFFLEY MORRIS MEN

Programme for 1973

All Friday Shows at 20.00 hrs.

Tuesday	1st May	Ickwell 'May Pole'	06.00 hrs.
Saturday	5th May	'May Day' Offley, The Bull	12.00 hrs.
		Hitchin Garden of Rest	14.30 hrs.
		Stevenage Town Centre	16.00 hrs.
Friday	11th May	Pirton, The Fox	
Saturday	12th May	Westminster Day of Dancing	
Sunday	13th May	Kimpton May Celebrations. The Boot	12.00 hrs.
		The Cricketers	12.30 hrs.
			20.00 hrs.
Wednesday	16th May	Hitchin Town Hall	
Friday	18th May	Bennington, The Bell	
Friday	25th May	Bendish, The Harrow	
Friday	1st June	Thaxted Ring Meeting	
Saturday	2nd June		
Sunday	3rd June		
Tuesday	5th June	Watton at Stone W.I.	19.45 hrs.
Friday	8th June	Preston, The Red Lion	
Friday	15th June	White Horse, Southill	
Friday	22nd June	Whitwell, Eagle and Child	
Saturday	23rd June	Stevenage Town Centre (Rotary Club)	12.00 hrs.
Saturday	23rd June	Staplers trip to North Norfolk	
Friday	29th June	Derbyshire Weekend	
Saturday	30th June		
Sunday	1st July		
Friday	6th July	≡ Morris's School, and Boot, Langford	
Saturday	7th July	Arnold School, Barton le Clay	14.45 hrs.
		Fete at Hitchin	
Friday	13th July	Ashwell - Bushel and Strike	
Saturday	14th July	Fete at Walkern	15.15 hrs.
		Fete at Stevenage	16.15 hrs.
Friday	20th July	Clothall, The Barley Mow	
Saturday	21st July	Tour of the Cotswolds	
Friday	27th July	Hexton, The Raven	
Friday	3rd August	Graveley, The George & Dragon	
Friday	10th August	Charlton, The Windmill	
Friday	17th August	Rushden, The Moon and Stars	
Friday	24th August	Rabley Heath, Robin Hood and Little John	
Friday	31st August	Pegsdon, Live and Let Live	
Saturday	1st September	Hexton Fete	
Friday	7th September	Walkern, The White Lion	
Friday	14th September	Annual General Meeting. King George Pavilion	
Saturday	15th September	Offley Day of Dancing and Feast:	
		Hitchin, St. Mary's Square	14.30 hrs.
		Stevenage, Town Centre	16.00 hrs.
		Welwyn Garden City Carnival	17.00 hrs.
		Feast	19.15 hrs.
Saturday	29th September	St. Albans Day of Dancing and Feast	
Saturday	6th October	Bedford Feast	
Friday	19th October	Ladies' Night.	

London SE13 6SY

Dear Roger,

I had assumed that you were coming and am very pleased to hear it is so. I hope I will see you at some point though I will probably not be at Dampton or at Thaxted.

John Forrest is now Oxford Squire and I'm sure he would be happy to help in any way possible. - I expect you've written to him (202 Iffley Rd Oxford). Peter Lund might well have spare camping gear which again I'm sure the Ancient Men would be pleased to have you use (John & Peter between them would have the answer to that). (Peter's address - The Old School House, Binsey, Nr. Oxford — it would be on your way to Dampton).

Michael will have given you LP dates and details.

All the very best of luck — and of weather.



OXFORD CITY MERCHANTS MEET

Summer Programme 1973

TUESDAY	MAY 1ST	MAY MORNING, meet Rose Lane, Oxford 5.45 a.m.		
WEDNESDAY	MAY 9TH	SHEPHERDS HALL INN Freland	GEORGE & DRAGON Long Hanborough	
WEDNESDAY	MAY 16TH	BEAR Woodstock	ROYAL SUN Begbroke	CHEQUERS Cassington
WEDNESDAY	MAY 23RD	BOAT Thripp	BRITANNIA Kidlington	SWAN Islip
MONDAY	MAY 28TH	SPRING BANK HOLIDAY DANCING, Banbury		
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 6TH	RED LION Garsington	CHEQUERS Horspath	SHOTOVER ARMS Headington
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 13TH	CATHERINE WHEEL Sandford	KINGS ARMS Sandford	TEMPLE FARM COUNTRY CLUB Sandford
SATURDAY	JUNE 16TH	JUNE FAIR, Oxpens, Oxford		
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 20TH	TROUT Wolvercote	OXFORD MOTEL Godston Round-About	RED LION Wolvercote
SATURDAY	JUNE 23RD	UNIVERSITY DAY OF DANCING		
WEDNESDAY	JUNE 27TH	LAMB & FLAG Oxford	HORSE & JOCKEY Oxford	ROYAL OAK Oxford
WEDNESDAY	JULY 4TH	KING WILLIAM Hailey	GEORGE Wallingford	GREYHOUND Ewelme
WEDNESDAY	JULY 11TH	CROWN Oxford	GOLDEN CROSS Oxford	TEMPLE BAR Cowley
SATURDAY	JULY 14TH	GLOUCESTER RING MEETING		
WEDNESDAY	JULY 26TH	FISHES North Hinksey	PERCH Binsey	
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 1ST	PLOUGH Noke	ABINGDON ARMS Beckley	STAR Stanton St. John
SATURDAY	AUGUST 4TH	OXFORDSHIRE SHOW, Oxford Airport, Kidlington		
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 3RD	ST. GILES FAIR, Oxford		
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 4TH			

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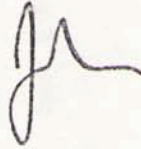
Dear Roger,

10th. May 1973.

Many thanks for notes, invitation, etc. Had intended to reply earlier but of course didn't! Time didn't permit a visit as I had to get back by Mayday. It will be good to see you all over here. I doubt if anyone is flush enough to transport you, we are mostly 1 or 0 car families, but we can certainly find you sticks & put you up occasionally. I enclose programmes from Abingdon & City, both of whom will probably be able to take you on a tour. Of our events, only you can come on the AM. tour (May 26) but otherwise all are welcome. We shall be at Bampton anyway if you don't make the AM tour and can work things out. I have one spare bed & a fair bit of floor. Toby K. seems to prefer to remain rather remote but I will try to win her over, presumably she will at least emerge to see you

anyway. If you do come on the 26th, there is a Fair in the afternoon
9:15 also Datchett D.S.D. so there would be some events for your
concerns.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be the initials 'JH'.

The St Albans Morris Men



SUMMER TOURS 1973

Squire : Gordon Myland, 38 Bernard Street, St Albans
(Telephone : St Albans 52125)

Bagman : Brian Bending, 248 The Ridgeway, St Albans
(Telephone : St Albans 62689)

THE MORRIS

Most Morris Men today belong to teams started during the last forty years to study and show the dances recorded by Cecil Sharp and others since 1900. Men's ceremonial dance almost certainly had its origins in ancient fertility rites intended to aid the crops. Present-day displays are based on the traditions of the Cotswolds. Among the few teams still surviving are Headington Quarry, Bampton and Chipping Campden. Lancashire and Midland Morris, the sword dances of Yorkshire and the North East, and Mummers' Plays are also fascinating forms of ancient folk ceremony.

The fifteenth-century word "Morris" (Moorish) was frequently applied to objects or practices considered to be outlandish and the practice of dancing with blackened faces is continued by the Coco-nut dancers of Bacup, Lancashire.

Some of the best traditional music has been preserved by Morris Men through the ages. The instruments are the Pipe and Tabor, in use since mediaeval times, and the Melodeon. Overlapping with folk song and the popular ballads of former times some tunes commemorate historical events. The fact that new dances are still being devised and that small evolutionary changes take place in the old is the test of true tradition and proof of the health of the Morris.

St Albans Morris Men is an inaugural member club of the Morris Ring of England, a national federation founded in 1934. Several Ring Meetings are held each year, with different teams as hosts. On these occasions as many as 300 men can be seen in massed dancing.

This year's displays by the St Albans men are based on the Ilmington (Warwickshire) tradition. Other dances shown come from Headington, Adderbury and Bucknell (Oxfordshire), Bledington (Gloucestershire) and Lichfield (Staffordshire).

Dances are done with handkerchiefs and sticks, a few are clapping dances, and there are solo jigs. Many dances have a chorus figure, other figures include "foot up", "back to back", "rounds" and "hay" (a figure of eight). The many different ways of leaping into the air are called "capers". Another distinctive movement is the hook-leg or "galley", and sometimes at the end of a dance the Squire will call, quite appropriately, "All-in".

During a show the Bagman takes round the "Bag" to invite contributions towards the cost of running the club; this is also part of the ritual. New members are always welcome; please ask the Bagman for details.

Leader of the Musicians: Michael Chandler

Assistant Bagman and Recorder: John Cox, 104 Lancaster Road, St Albans
Telephone: 57827

The Recorder would welcome gifts of press cuttings, photographs, etc., for the Logbook.

St ALBANS MORRIS MEN SU

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|--------|------|----|---|
| Monday | May | 7 | White Horse, Shenley, 8.15 p.m.
Mops and Brooms, Well End, Borehamwood, 9.15 p.m. |
| Monday | May | 14 | Baton, Marshalswick, St Albans, 8.15 p.m.
Clock Tower, High Street, St Albans, 9.15 p.m. |
| Wed. | May | 16 | Three Hammers, Chiswell Green, 8.15 p.m.
Duke of Marlborough, Holywell Hill, St Albans,
9.15 p.m. |
| Monday | May | 21 | Green Man, Potters Bar, 8.15 p.m.
Cock of the North, Bell Bar, 9.15 p.m. |
| Monday | May | 28 | SPRING BANK HOLIDAY |
| Monday | June | 4 | Goat, Hertford Heath, 8.15 p.m.
Duncombe Arms, Hertford, 9.15 p.m. |
| Monday | June | 11 | Holly Bush, Redbourn, 8.00 p.m.
Cupid, Cupid Green, 8.45 p.m.
Crabtree, Adeyfield, 9.30 p.m. |
| Monday | June | 18 | Wagon and Horses, A5 near Markyate, 8.15 p.m.
Sun, Markyate, 9.15 p.m. |
| Monday | June | 25 | Windmill, Chipperfield, 8.15 p.m.
Swan, Leyhill Common, 9.15 p.m. |
| Monday | July | 2 | Beehive, Epping Green, 8.15 p.m.
Coach and Horses, Newgate Street, 9.15 p.m. |
| Monday | July | 9 | Orange Tree, Totteridge, 8.15 p.m.
King's Arms, A1 at Stirling Corner, 9.15 p.m. |

St ALBANS DAY OF DANCE - SATURDAY

Over a hundred men will tour St Albans and dis

MASSED DANCE

CIVIC CENTRE, St ALBANS - 5.0

SUMPTER YARD, THE ABBEY, St ALBANS

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MEN SUMMER TOURS 1973

Friday	July	13	} MORRIS RING MEETING – Gloucestershire
Saturday		14	
Sunday		15	
Monday	July	16	Old Chequers, Gaddesden Row, 8.00 p.m. Crown and Sceptre, Bridens Camp, 8.45 p.m. Red Lion, Studham, 9.30 p.m.
Monday	July	23	Fox and Hounds, Bricket Wood Station, 8.15 p.m. Old Fox, Bricket Wood, 9.15 p.m.
Monday	July	30	Brocket Arms, Ayot St Lawrence, 8.15 p.m. Abbot John, Wheathampstead, 9.15 p.m.
Monday	August	6	Three Oaks, Amwell, 8.15 p.m. John Bunyan, Coleman Green, 9.15 p.m.
Monday	August	13	Plough, Sleepshyde, 8.15 p.m. Green Dragon, London Colney, 9.15 p.m.
Monday	August	20	Eight Bells, Hatfield, 8.15 p.m. Beehive, Hatfield Hyde, Welwyn Garden City, 9.15 p.m.
Monday	August	27	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday	September	3	Fox, Kinsbourne Green, 8.15 p.m. Cross Keys, Harpenden, 9.15 p.m.
Friday	September	7	} MORRIS RING MEETING – Uttoxeter, Staffordshire
Saturday		8	
Sunday		9	
Monday	September	10	Bridgewater Arms, Little Gaddesden, 8.15 p.m. Greyhound, Aldbury, 9.15 p.m.
Monday	September	17	Cross Keys, Gustard Wood, 8.15 p.m. Bright Star, Peter's Green, 9.15 p.m.

ANCE – SATURDAY, 29th SEPTEMBER

St Albans and district throughout the Day

ED DANCING

RE, St ALBANS – 5.00 p.m.

HE ABBEY, St ALBANS – 6.15 p.m.

ernard Street, St Albans (Telephone : 52125)

The Ridgeway, St Albans (Telephone : 62689)