

GUEST LIST

THE ADDERBURY MORRIS MEN

White shirts, white trousers, red & blue baldricks

BERKSHIRE BEDLAM

White shirts & trousers, top hats, red, white & blue ribbons

CHINEWERDE MORRIS

Burgundy dresses, white blouse and black tights, clogs

DOWNES ON TOUR (Men)

Black breeches, top hats, red/gold/grey sashes & ribbons

DOWNES ON TOUR (Women)

White shirts, white trousers, red & gold arm ribbons

THE DUCKLINGTON MORRIS

White trousers, purple & yellow ribbons, grey top hats

HEXHAM MORRISMEN

White trousers and shirts, top hats, blue baldricks and waistcoats

HEXHAMSHIRE LASSES

Blue dresses over white shirts, black stockings and clogs

KIRTLINGTON MAIDS

White dresses, blue & pink ribbons

KIRTLINGTON MORRIS

White shirts, white trousers, top hats, pink & blue baldricks

MORTIMER'S MORRIS

Black dresses, purple and green waistcoats, clogs

OWLSWICK MORRIS

White trousers, brown waistcoats, orange/yellow hankies

ROCKHOPPER MORRIS

White trousers, orange arm tatters and orange hankies

SHARP & BLUNT

White blouses, black waistcoats, grey top hats

SEVEN CHAMPIONS MOLLY DANCERS

Dark trousers, white shirts, top hats, burgundy sash with rosettes

SEVEN SISTERS

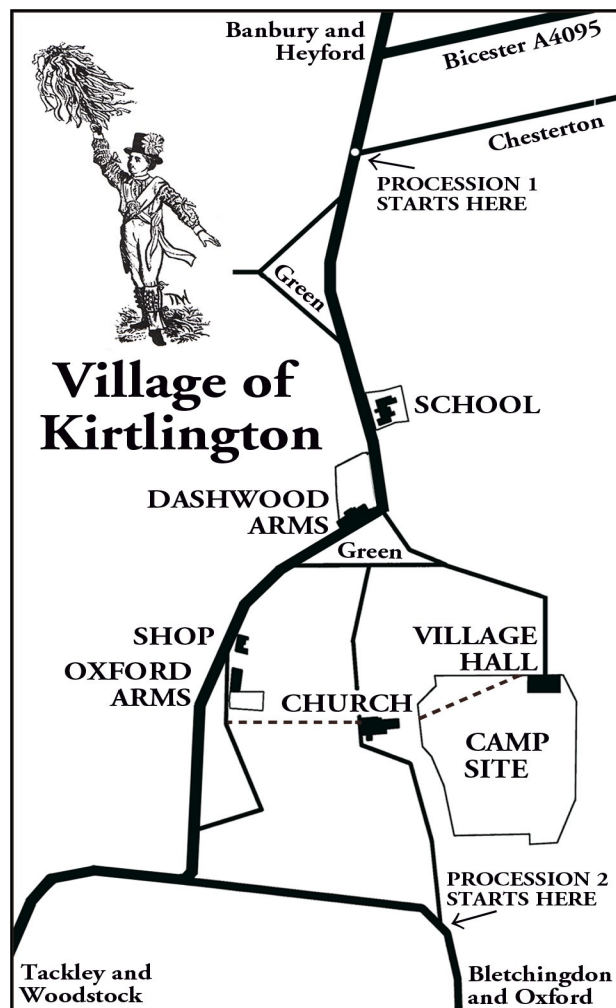
Dark trousers, white shirts, top hats, yellow sash with rosettes

WINDSOR MORRIS

White trousers, white shirts and green, red and yellow ribbons

Len and Barbara Berry

Len (1929–2011) and Barbara (1929–2014) were instrumental in the reconstruction of the Kirtlington Morris tradition in 1979. Len was the first Squire of the side, formed largely from his Kirtlington Scout group. Barbara wrote or adapted the tunes first performed at the 1980 Lamb Ale Festival.



INTERESTED IN JOINING KIRTLINGTON MORRIS?

Details:

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Visit our website at: www.kirtlington-morris.org.uk

Kirtlington Lamb Ale Morris Festival

10th-12th June 2022

Friday – Session, Blacks Head Inn

Saturday – Barn Dance with Whapweasel
+ Lesley Dunlop 8pm Village Hall £10
Bar + Raffle + Lamb Roast

Sunday – Processions and Morris Dancing:
16 sides in and around Kirtlington
+ Bars and Food all day

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KIRTLINGTON LAMB ALE

One of the ancient Whitsun Ales, the Lamb Ale can be traced back to the early 1600s and took the form of a village festival and feast.

“...the custom is, that on Monday after Whitsun week, there is a fat live lamb provided and the maids of the town, having their thumbs tyed behind them, run after it and she that with her mouth takes and holds the lamb is declared the ‘Lady of the Lamb’...attended with Musick and a Morisco of Men, and another of women, where the rest of the day is spent in dancing, mirth and jollity.”

(Blount 1679)

It is recorded that on June 5th 1732 the Dashwood family of Kirtlington Park “paid Kertling Morris 5s.0d.” at the annual feast, which still takes place on Trinity Monday, following the Morris festival.

Morris dancers were always closely associated with the festivities. When Kirtlington Morris was revived in 1979, based on Cecil Sharp’s notes from the early 1900’s, it was fitting that they join with the village to help recreate the atmosphere of the Lamb Ale as it once was, with as many as twenty or more morris sides gathered together in celebration, if not in the rivalry and competition of the early days.



CO-OP Food BLETCHINGTON

Off-licence, newspapers, wide range of groceries and facilities

Our thanks to the following for their help and support:

School and Governors
Kirtlington School Fund
Kirtlington Church Wardens
The Villagers of Kirtlington
Charlton Services
Kirtlington Youth Club

Lamb Ale Committee
Village Hall Committee
St. John Ambulance
Dashwood Arms
Oxford Arms
Blacks Head Inn

ALL WEEKEND

ORGANISED PRIVATE CAMPSITE
(£10 PER HEAD INC. BARN DANCE)

FRIDAY

Evening Campsite open
Get-together session at the Blacks Head,
Bletchington

SATURDAY

10:30 Assemble at Dashwood Arms
Kirtlington Morris dance in the village
with guests Hexham Morris,
Hexhamshire Lassies, Seven Champions

12:00 Dance & lunch at Blacks Head Inn,
Morris tour to Woodstock

Evening

7:00 - 9:00 Lamb Roast (£3/£5)

8:00 - 11:30 Barn Dance in Village Hall, with
Whapweasel (£10). Bar & raffle.
Open to all. Tickets on the door.

SUNDAY

MORRIS EVENTS:

9:45 Morris sides assemble north of the
village, Foxtowns Green

10:00 Procession to Church

10:45 Lamb Ale Service

11:30 Procession from Church to the
School

12:00 Kirtlington Morris and Kirtlington
Maids dance at school

12:15 - 3:00 Dance Displays at School, Village Hall,
Dashwood Arms and Oxford Arms

3:00 All guest sides dance at School

OTHER EVENTS:

8:00 - 9:30 Breakfast at Village Hall

10:30 - 4:00 Refreshments, Kirtlington Morris
Archive Exhibition in Village Hall

12:00 - 4:00 Refreshments, Bar, Raffle at School



NEXT YEAR'S LAMB ALE
MORRIS FESTIVAL
2nd – 4th June 2023

Visit our web site at www.kirtlington-morris.org.uk

SUNDAY - VILLAGE HALL

LAMB ALE BREAKFAST 8:00 - 9:30am
(Last orders 9:15am)

REFRESHMENTS
FAMILY PICNIC AREA
CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

SUNDAY - SCHOOL

BAR, FOOD, REFRESHMENTS