

July 2014

July got off to a damp start! We were guests of Sarum Morris at the Horse and Groom, Woodgreen, on the first wet day for weeks! (Who says it never rains on the Morris?) Huddled in the steamy bar, it was eventually decided to brave the elements and dance anyway.

The drizzle was cooling and once you're wet, you're wet so it was actually quite fun.



Unfortunately we were unable to meet up with Wickham Morris in Soberton the following week as the injury level, family commitments and unforeseen events meant that from this point on it was really hard to get together a viable side. Still we struggled on and were able to put on a good show for the Romsey Beggars' Fair (Thank you Ibrufen, physios etc!). It was a great day, with grand sunny weather, good company and large audiences. We love Romsey!



The following Tuesday evening we met up with our good friends, Red Stags, for a dance at the Green Man at Brook. The weather was kind to us, the company was good and there was even a small audience so all was right in the world of Morris.



We even dared to dance Bacca Pipes in front of the side that taught it to us. Brave! It was great to see a young dancer out with the Staggs.



Spot the first of this month's refreshment pictures!

We were really sad to have to cancel our engagement at Minstead Study Centre. It is a great place, the people are terrific and we love going there but when two of the uninjured dancers had to attend a family wedding (how thoughtless of the bride and groom!) we had no choice. Sorry Minstead – can we come next year, please?

We did manage to get a side together to dance at Lymington Carnival as guests of New Forest Meddlars. It was a lovely day when we met up with old friends, made some new ones and were able to dance at attractive spots in front of appreciative audiences.



So thank you Meddlars, for inviting us.

Spot the second refreshment picture?



Our next pub dance out was at The Hatchett Inn, Sherfield English, where we danced with the lovely Southern Lights and really enjoyed watching dancing so different in style to ours.



The next outing was to one of the side's favourite venues, Damerham Fair. There's so much going on there and we are always made so welcome. There's even ferrets – what's not to like?



Our final dance of the month (and possibly the season) was at the King's Head, Redlynch, with Sweet Rapper. This was a very pleasant, relaxed evening with good friends, in the last of the warm evenings.

