



## Leicestershire & Rutland Newsletter April 2012

### Looking back first:

#### Day of Folk ~ February 4<sup>th</sup>.

The day will partly be remembered for how the weather turned out. A HUGE thank you to Patsy for sorting yet again another fabulous mixture of workshops. Dancers new and experienced turned out throughout the day for handbell ringing, international, Scottish, drumming and English workshops to name a few. Some of us also got tangled with ribbons in an impromptu workshop after the craft ladies were unable to attend due to illness. Much fun and laughter was held by those who could make any part of the day. Supper was delivered, with a frown on the delivery man's face! The evening was led by Geoff Cubbitt accompanied with music from the fabulous 3D. After eating yet more scrummy cake a few more dances rounded off the evening. That led to car snow clearing workshops outside before the 'interesting' journeys home to various parts along the white roads.  
Jenny Crane

We should mention that the Folk Shop 'goodies' that were around recently proved very popular again with lots of sales masterminded by Jenny.

VERY IMPORTANT – Whoever bought a copy of 'By Request Dances for No 7' at the Day of Folk needs a notice of a mistake in the instructions for Red and All Red –so please do ask about it –my e mail is at the end of the Newsletter!

### Some Dates for your Diary:

**Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>** for St George's Day:

1-4pm - Folk Cafe! A traditional music session with Music Foundry and the Red Fox Folk Group will run throughout the afternoon. Bring your acoustic instrument and join the musicians. All ages and abilities welcome.

4-5pm - Red Fox Ceilidhs will fill Orton Square with traditional dancing to a live band. Suitable for all ages, and no experience necessary: caller Ben Robinson will talk you through the steps.

5-7pm - Music Session at the Ale Wagon - tunes, songs and music from traditional English to more modern material. Bring your instrument or voice and join Music Foundry's merry musicians. Websites and contact for more info are: [www.musicfoundry.co.uk](http://www.musicfoundry.co.uk) and [info@musicfoundry.co.uk](mailto:info@musicfoundry.co.uk)

**Maypoles** will be out and about: in Orton Square on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 2 p.m. and 2.40 at Ravenstone on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Donington le Heath Manor House on May 13<sup>th</sup> and at Moira Folk Festival on May 20<sup>th</sup>. There are already several other Maypole Dates on my Maypole Wallplanner, look out for publicity, including on our website!,

### Summer in Glenfield

We will meet on the dates below in Memorial Hall Stamford Street Glenfield, LE3 8DL for light hearted dancing evenings.

Everyone welcome, 7.30 to 9.30

April 16th 30th

May 14th 28th

June 11th 25th

And live music on July 9<sup>th</sup>

**June 24<sup>th</sup>** The Garden Dance in Kirby Muxloe –ask for details at your Dance Club.

**June 30<sup>th</sup>** –Joint Morris Organisations Day of Dance at Stratford on Avon will include at least the Jerusalem Jammers from the county. The town will be full of dance entertainment on top of the usual attractions so well worth a day out.

**September 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup>** Rutland Dance Weekend –see website for more details

**Monday September 10<sup>th</sup>** Please attend the AGM of Leicester and Rutland Folk – 7.30 p.m. at the Memorial Hall Glenfield LE3 8DL. Dancing before and after the business.

**Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup>** Quorn FDC tea dance

**Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup>** District Playford Ball in Braunstone Civic Centre

**Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup>** Edensor Playford Ball

**Saturday November 24<sup>th</sup>** Quorn FDC Evening dance

**Saturday, December 1st**, Christmas Mix St. Peter's Church Hall, Glenfield 2.00 pm to 5.30 pm  
Live Music from Kevin Downham

Red Fox Ceilidhs  
English traditional dancing with a live band, interval dance display and licensed bar!

Maisuria Hall, Sawday Street, LE2 7JW

Doors 7.30pm, dancing 8-11pm  
Saturday 12th May  
Tickets £5 or £3 for under-26s or free for under-8s

Contact Alice Little -  
[alice@redfoxceilidhs.com](mailto:alice@redfoxceilidhs.com), 07838 251368

Information and tickets available from [www.redfoxceilidhs.com](http://www.redfoxceilidhs.com)

Red Fox Folk Group  
Music workshop for any instrument, and almost any ability.

Hazel Street Community Centre, Sawday Street, LE2 7JN  
£5 per session

Mondays 7-8pm in termtime,  
[www.musicfoundry.co.uk/groups](http://www.musicfoundry.co.uk/groups)

Contact Alice Little -  
[alice@musicfoundry.co.uk](mailto:alice@musicfoundry.co.uk), 07838 251368

Open Folk Music Session  
Welcomes musicians of any tradition and with any instrument  
Free to attend

Swan and Rushes, Infirmary Square, LE1 5WR

Mondays from 8.30pm  
Contact Alice Little -  
alice@musicfoundry.co.uk, 07838  
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**Happy Birthday** wishes go to members of the Jerusalem Jammers who will spend time this year doing '30 Special Things' to mark 30 years since a group of ladies got together for a 'one off' performance and had so much fun the group is still together – and still with Pauline Osband as our President.

Among other things, we are learning a new dance, will be at Christmas Mix, which is listed among Dates for your Diary, are wearing 30 special Beanie hats (thank you Barbara) and drinking out of Jammers mugs – thank you Peter. Mostly of course we enjoy ourselves dancing when asked by WIs, fete committees – anyone really –and more and more we are able to be part of the Maypole Dancing Revival that is certainly happening locally. You will find contact details for the Jammers and many other local sides on the back page of this Newsletter and of course on the website.

There is surely likely to be a feast of Morris Dancing through this Summer dancing out season. As the Olympic Committees don't seem to want traditional British Dancing that leaves us all free to dance locally.

### Get your final copy here!

At the latest committee meeting it was decided that this edition will be

the last paper copy of the district newsletter. Information and reports will still be available about club contacts and events on the website ([www.leicestershireandrutlandfolk.org.uk](http://www.leicestershireandrutlandfolk.org.uk)) . Why not have a look? If you would like to submit a report, photo or advertise an event please contact Keith Oughton our webmaster (on the website there are links where you can submit articles) and he will add it to the site. If no-one supplies the news, there will be none on there of course, so please send what you can!

Jenny Crane

As this is the last Newsletter to be sent out from Countesthorpe I would like to say a quick thank you to all who have contributed over the years with articles or information about up coming events, and to Ian P who has masterminded the layout, the address lists and the e edition.

Patsy

Useful web addresses include:  
[www.leicestershirefestivals.co.uk](http://www.leicestershirefestivals.co.uk)  
[www.lfd.org.uk](http://www.lfd.org.uk) for Folk Song events  
[www.setandturnsingle.org.uk](http://www.setandturnsingle.org.uk)  
[www.efdss](http://www.efdss)  
<http://www.philpreen.co.uk/folk/morris/leicsmorris.htm>  
and of course  
[www.leicestershireandrutlandfolk.org.uk](http://www.leicestershireandrutlandfolk.org.uk)

Happy Dancing

Patsy Paterson 0116 2776259  
Pat.count@virgin.net

## TRADITIONAL DANCE SIDES

### Anker Morrismen

(Mens' Cotswold) *Wednesdays*.  
Joe Oldaker, 02476-372276.

### Anstey Royale Chalfont

(Ladies' NW Clog) *Tuesdays*.  
Barbara Feely, 0116-2358134

### Bakanalia

(Mixed Border Morris) *Mondays*.  
Beth Everard 01162395025  
[www.bakanalia.com](http://www.bakanalia.com)

### Bare Bones

(Ladies' Border Morris) *Wednesdays*.  
Maggie Johnson, 01509-880866

### Black Annis

(Womens' Cotswold) *Thursday*.  
Lynn Goodall, 0116 243 3273

### Charnwood Clog

(Mixed Step Dancing) *Monday*.  
Tessa de Ville 01509 652189  
[Tjdeville2tiscali.co.uk](http://Tjdeville2tiscali.co.uk)

### Everards Original Anstey Morrismen

(Mens' Cotswold) *Wednesday*.  
Robert Crosby, 0116-2606272.

### Hinckley Bullockers

(Mens' Molly Dancing) *Tuesday*.  
Tony Ashley, 01455239690

### Jerusalem Jammers

(Ladies' Garland/Step) *Saturday*.  
Sue Crockett 01455 458107  
[www.jerusalemjammers.co.uk](http://www.jerusalemjammers.co.uk)

### Leicester Morrismen

(Mens's Cotswold/ Border) *Wednesday*.  
Charlie Corcoran, 0116-2675654  
<http://www.leicestermorrismen.co.uk/about/>.

### Man Friday Morris

(Mens' Cotswold) *Monday*  
Ian Hubbard. 0116-2209133

### Packington Morrismen

(Mens' Cotswold) *Wednesday*.  
Dave Johns 01530-270494

### Pennyroyal Garland Dancers

(Ladies' Garland/ Step) *Wednesday*  
Stephen Edkins, 01827-286001

### Rutland Morrismen

(Mens' Cotswold) *Monday*.  
Mark Oxley, .01572-822334

### Saltarello

(Mixed Elizabethan/ Renaissance) *Thursday*  
.Chris Stokoe, 02476-387524

### Maypole Dancing Enquiries

Patsy Paterson 01162776259  
[Pat.count@virgin.net](mailto:Pat.count@virgin.net)

## SOCIAL DANCE CLUBS

### MONDAY

Glenfield Folk. 7.30pm.  
Memorial Hall, Stamford St., Glenfield.  
Pauline & John Osband, 0116-2393534.  
Loughborough Folk Dance Club  
7.30pm. St Peters Social Centre, Storer Rd.  
John Stewart, 01530-223957

### TUESDAY

### Crown Hills Folk Dance Group

7.15pm (Term time only) Crown Hills  
Community College.  
Roy Garrington 0116 2418313

### WEDNESDAY

### Quorn Folk Dance Club

7.30pm, Quorn Village Hall  
Pauline Kinch, 01509 413762

### Burton Overy Dancers

8.00pm. Burton Overy Village Hall  
Roy Garrington 0116 2418313

### Charnwood Squares

8.00pm. Aylestone Parish Hall, Aylestone.  
Mary Walker 0116 285 6851

### THURSDAY

### Burbage Folk Dance Club

8.00pm (alternate weeks), Sketchley Hill  
Primary School, Burbage.  
Brian Sabin, 01455-239283

### FRIDAY

### Friday Folk

8.00pm. St Matthews Centre, Malabar Rd,  
Leicester.  
Richard Spendlove, 0116-2733873.

### Rutland Folk Dance Club.

8.00pm. Town Hall, Uppingham  
Paul StClair 0116 279 2181.

### Elmesthorpe Folk Dance Club

7.45 Elmesthorpe Village Hall  
Wilkinson Lane Elmesthorpe  
Roy Sutton 01455 846203

### DAYTIME

Soar Valley U3A Sutton Bonnington VH  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays 2.30 – 4.30  
Bas Butler 01509 673137  
Countesthorpe U3A 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays  
Patsy 0116 2776259 for details  
Geoff's International 2nd and 4th Friday  
afternoons. St Anne's Church hall  
Geoff Weston on 0116 2858352