



Richard  
Wixey

Gareth  
Knight

Jeff  
Dando

Stephen  
Wixey

Paul  
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Colin  
Bathe

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Roly  
Brown

Robin  
Knight

Mark  
Booty

Alec  
Wixey

Rocky

Mathew  
Green

Fred  
Cook

Richard  
Buckingham

John  
"Curly"  
Titchener



Richard  
Buckingham

Mathew  
Green

Colin  
Knight

Anthony  
Pitts

Bruice  
Piercy

Gareth  
Knight

Colin  
Bathe

Roly  
Brown

Alec  
Wixey

Chris  
'Trad'  
Truman

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Packer

Paul  
Wixey

Jeff  
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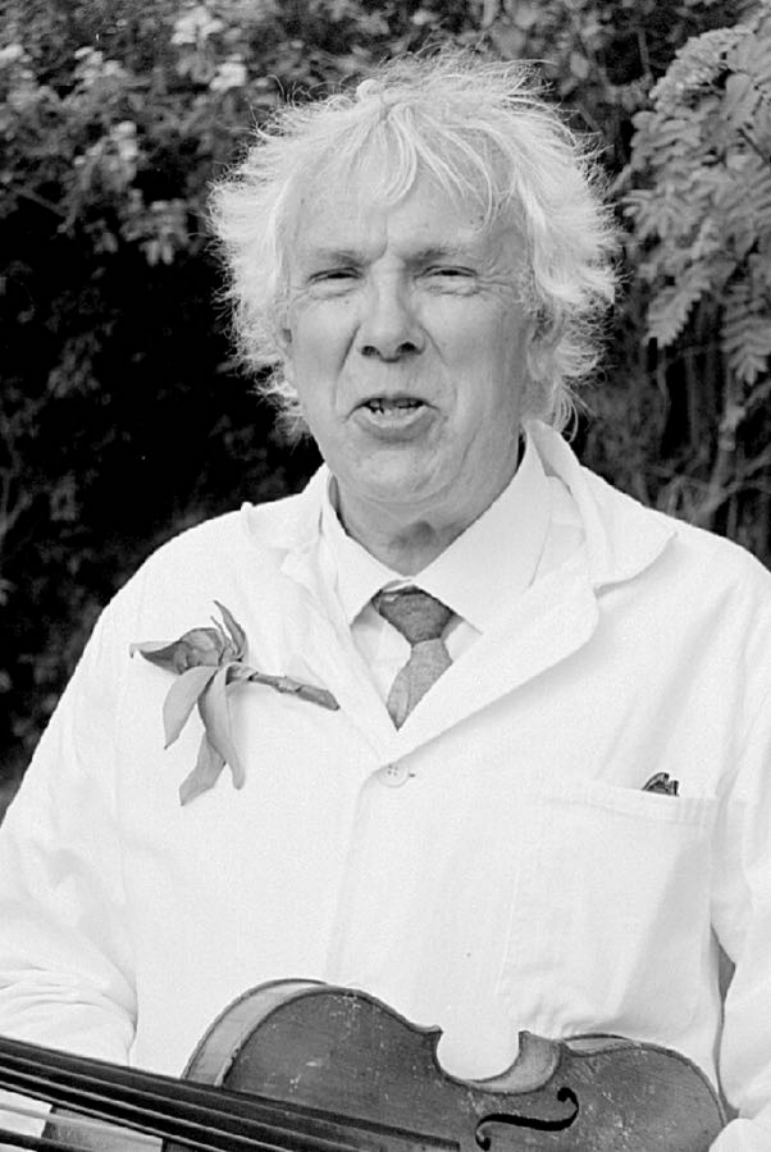






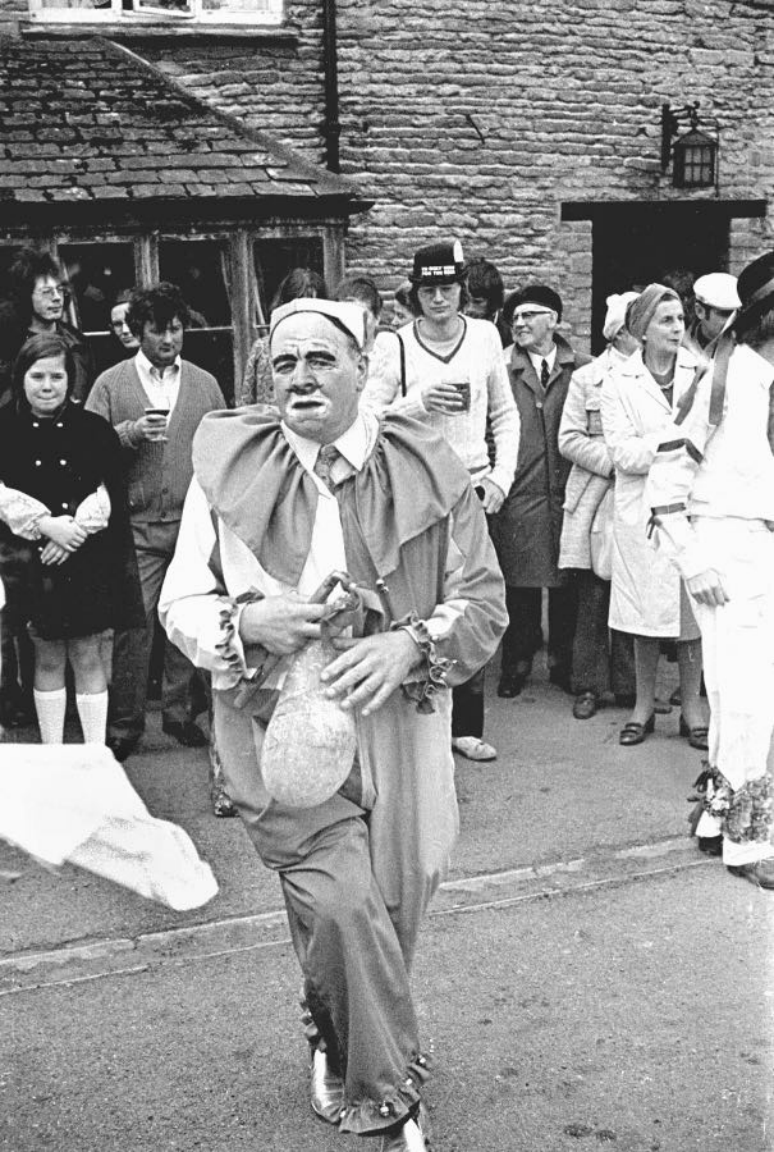








































































John  
Titchener

Martin  
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freddie  
Scott

Andrew  
Bathe



































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Hello Colin, how's life? I promised to send you photocopies of some items I saw at Arnold's home on 31 August 1980, so here they are.

Note that your John was one of the Arnold's original dancers in 1950. I'm looking forward to having a chat with him sometime.

I hope to see you at Stow in September. Meanwhile, take care of all those ailments.

Best wishes,

*Keith*

I saw the list of dancers that Arnold has trained. He includes only those he has completely taught to a high standard, hence the omission of Jonathon Pearman ("I never really taught him.") and Robin Bignall, whose training isn't yet complete.

George Shears	Robin Connaughton	Joe Stevens
Pete Wheeler	Bernie Basson	Len Sykes
Rex Wheeler	Andrew Carruthers	Andrew Adams
David Brown	Anthony Collett	Laurence Adams
Peter Horn	Nick Carruthers	Geoff Adams
John Fleetwood	Matthew Carruthers	Colin Bathe
Robin Skittrall	Fred Scott	Julian Fidler
John Knight	Martin Hewitt	Patrick Fidler
Colin Knight	Trevor Hewitt	Brendan Cassiday
George Dixon	Matthew Green	Brian O'Rourke
Frank Daniels	Alister Cook	Simon O'Rourke
Gene Harper	Clive Tanner	Dale Stevens
Mike Bowden	Richard Buckingham	
John Sweetenham	Nicky Tremblin	
Jim Townsend	Malcolm Willis	
Graham Cook	Colin Leach	
Mansell Johns	Andrew Pearman	
	Andrew Hornsby	
	Paul Wicksey	
	Barry Bezar	

Nicky Tremblin is the son of Bert and Betty who get to the folk club on Fridays.

Mansell Johns lives in Witney.

In the Elephant in the evening.

Robert "Raddy" Radband denies that the R.Radband on the list is himself and claims never to have ever had anything to do with Arnold's side.

Roy Shergold looked at the list and suggested it might be 'Big' Albert Radband of the mushroom farm.

Roy also mentioned that Bill Beckett once fooled. "He was very reluctant to do it." I asked why Roy wasn't fooling and he said "we were down to about three men," so I guess this was during the 1950's. Beckett lives down New Road.

The Shergold side has decided not to go to the Albert Hall in February.

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and considers her people - the Butlers and the Edgintons - to be far more important.

Win discovered an old, hand-made diary - undated, but (by working out when certain dates fell on certain days) actually 1950 (Arnold reckons not to have turned out with the other side that Whit Monday.) Some of the more important extracts, including all references to the dancing:

Jan 31. Tuesday: Mr. Clark wrote.  
Mar 14. Monday: Played fiddle at Lamb. First time out.  
18. Friday: Morris practise. Played fiddle good.  
25. Saturday: Played fiddle not so good.  
31. Friday: Morris practise.  
April 18. Saturday: Morris practise. Mr. Clark plays.  
20. Thursday: Morris dancers at Stratford on Avon (crossed out in diary).  
25. Tuesday: Finished on Air Ministry.  
27. Thursday: Started on Council.  
May 29. Monday: WHIT MONDAY. Morris dancers at Bampton.  
30. Tuesday: New Morris Team. Start practise.  
June 10. Saturday: Morris dancers go to Alvescott.  
24. Saturday: Morris dancers at Aston.  
July 8. Saturday: Morris dancers at Ebrington - Good.  
15. Saturday: Morris dancers at Witney (crossed out)  
Aug 6. Sunday: Morris Dancers a great success.  
7. Monday: BANK HOLIDAY. Morris Dancers at Stratford on Avon.  
8. Tuesday: Holiday week. £1.3.4 each at Stratford.  
Oct 12. STRATFORD MOP 9 a.m. Morris dancers at Stratford Mop.

On the back page of the diary:

MORRIS TEAM.

A. WOODLEY.

George Shears      FRONT  
F. Daniels

REX WHEELER      MIDDLE  
P. WHEELER

JEAN HARPER      BACK  
JOHN KNIGHT

BOX CARRIER R. RADBAND      (Both crossed out)  
CLOWN B. CURTIS

DAVID BROWN      RESERVE

Arnold said he has more of these and will look them out.

Bampton Morris Dancers : first dates of involvement.

Dates underlined are those given to me by the dancers themselves, or where I observed it taking place. Dates in brackets are those which are the earliest I have records for. These could do with being confirmed.

Colin Bathe	<u>1970</u>
Mark Booty	<u>1983</u>
Roly Brown	<u>1980</u>
Richard Buckingham	(1972)
Robin Connaughton	<u>1953</u>
Alistair Cook	<u>1973</u>
Mathew Green	<u>1972</u>
Jeff Dando	<u>1985</u>
Martin Hewitt	(1972)
Trevor Hewitt	(1972)
Colin Knight	<u>1951</u>
Fred Scott	(1971)
John Titchener	(1972)
Alec Wixey	<u>1957</u>
Paul Wixey	(1973)
Richard Wixey	<u>1977</u>

Keith Chandler      20 May 1986



MO1211 Martin Hewitt.

MO16F9 Team photo in Glebelands. Roy Barratt used to take a picture like this each year to make a wonderful record.

MO1F4C Roly Brown.

MO1FED Bampton Morris Men & friends.

MO2769 Dancing on Church Green c2000.

MO2A62 Martin Hewitt doing the Broom Dance.

MO2D5B Roly Brown.

MO306D Mathew Green playing the fiddle while dancing a jig.

MO3823 Roly Brown.

MO372A Dancing in Glebelands; Roy Dommitt has stepped in with the men.

MOAD1F Sonner Townsend receiving a silver salver from J L Hughes Owen 1975 to mark his 50 years of dancing and fooling with the Bampton Morris.

B0004 Dancing rehearsal for the Bampton Morris Men at the Elephant and Castle 1985.

MO2A62 Martin Hewitt of the Bampton Morris Men doing the broom dance in 1985.

MO3E17 Martin Hewitt of the Bampton Morris Men doing the broom dance in 1985.

MO0B05 Dancing in Glebelands late 1980s.

MO0B05 Dancing in Glebelands circa late 1980s.

MO1105 Bampton Morris Men outside Gothurst in Church View c1970s.

MO1114 Richard Buckingham 1999.

MO48E2 Sonner Townsend outside The Talbot.

MO5B58~1     Bampton Morris Men in Glebelands. Back row: Don Fidler, Arnold Woodley, Clive Tanner, Bernie Basson, Graham Cook, Paul Wixey, Frank Purslow, John Buckingham, Jonathon Pearman, Sonner Townsend (fool), Ken Adams. Front row: Fred Cook, Mathew Green, Collin Leach, Anthony Collett, Brendon ? , Jeff Adams, Laurence Adams, Julian Fidler. Possibly 1975 the first year Arnold took out a team of all youngsters dancing.

a38     Bampton Morris dancer, possibly 1957 or 1958. Left to right, back row : Bertie Clarke (fiddle), Harry Hampton (fool), Pete Allam, George Hunt, Bobby Wells (cake); kneeling : Francis Shergold, Pete Wheeler, Rex Wheeler, one unknown youngster who may be Alex Wixey and Roy Shergold.

B0004   Bampton Morris Men at practice behind the Elephant and Castle. July 1985. Dancing L-R are Richard Wixey, and Martin Hewitt with Mathew Green on fiddle