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SIFD NEWS

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The photo on the back page was taken at an Inns of Court Mission Sunday Dance in the 50's: left to right: Ken Ward, Ruth Sharp, Mourrie Pfeffer and Cliff Beck. (see Joan's letter on page 8).

I have raided the archives again (1998) for the front cover, the costumes are from Voivodina (former Yugoslavia), and the Balkanplus logo features...

Ed.



SIFD AGM, Workshop & Dance

This event will take place at Pulborough Village Hall, which overlooks the beautiful West Sussex countryside. The day starts at 11.30am with the international workshop which will include **Kerimoglu** from Turkey; **Pyrgoysikos** - a wedding day dance from Greece; **Morning Rout** - C16th English; **Fandango de Pollenca** - Spain. The list is not quite finalised yet; I am hoping to please most of the people most of the time with a variety of countries, styles and speeds.

Bring a packed lunch for a one hour break at 1pm. then after another hour and a half of workshop we shall start the AGM at 3.30pm.

Please let me know if you want supper by the end of August - baked potato with variety of fillings and salad, and cream tea. Yes, full of carbohydrates but you can dance them off! tel: 01243 265010.

Anne Maddocks and Brenda Steventon are helping MC the Evening Dance which starts at 6pm and finishes at 9pm; which should give most people enough time to get home.

Sue Kewley would be willing to offer B&B to one or two dancers coming from far afield, at a small charge to cover costs, let me know if there is anyone looking for this. Must be ok with a dog.

Janet Douglas



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- S.I **Sep.8: SIFD AGM, WORKSHOP & DANCE** at Pulborough Village Hall, West Sussex RH20 2BP. Sat. day £10, supper £10, evening dance £6; info: Janet Douglas Tel: 01243 265010 sifdnews@hotmail.co.uk
- S.I **Sep.8: BALKANPLUS** - MC will be Maggie O'Regan, in Trefusis, Cecil Sharp House, Camden NW1 7AY, at 7.00pm. Admission £6.
- S.I **Oct. 6: INTERNATIONAL DANCE WORKSHOP** with Corry Verheijen 10.30–4.30 Grangewood Meth. Church, Grangewood Rd Wollaton, Notts NG8 2SJ Day course: £15.00 ½ day course: £10.00 Please bring packed lunch. Tea, coffee available. contact; 0115 9171831 or gill.morrall@ntlworld.com www.nutbrookfolkdance.co.uk
- S.I **Oct. 9: INTERNATIONAL DANCE WORKSHOP** see page 5
- Nov. 2-4 SKINT 2018** at Ashover, Derbys. S45 0BA. A low cost collaborative weekend of traditional European music and dance, accessible to all from beginners to experts. www.skintdance.org.uk



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the notice if your event is covered by our insurance.*



Balkan Folk Music & Dance at Sidmouth Folkweek!

If you are planning to go to Sidmouth folkweek this summer, you might like to look out for our Balkan folk dance workshops with live music.

For instrumentalists Chris Edmunds and Tim Hemming are leading a couple of Balkan Instrumental workshops. The workshops and final social dance are from Tuesday 7th to Friday 10th August. If you are able to join us, we'd love to see you there.

Cathy Meunier



*Ian Willson - playing for the
children's Day of Dance
2006*

Corry Verheijen

On October 9th. Barlow IFDG is hosting Corry Verheijen from Holland who will be teaching us a selection of dances including some from Romania. We will be dancing from 7.30 - 9.45p.m. at St Ninian's Church Hall, Chorlton Manchester, M21 0XJ.

Admission £5 Details from Mary O'Mahony 0161 881 0955
maryomahony3@yahoo.co.uk

Mary O'Mahony



Dancing in Nonsuch Park - 12th August

Some of us from the Cheam and Tolworth classes, are getting together in Nonsuch Park on Sunday 12th August, to enjoy an afternoon of dancing. Bring your sandwiches, dance shoes, sun tan lotion and brolly, and join us.

We will be near the Manor House, where there is a small café, for tea or icecreams etc. and is open til 5pm. Toilets are also available.

Dancing 3pm - 4.30pm Sunday 12th August

Hope to see you there (weather permitting)

Helen Ezra

Kitka Bulgarian Folklore Group

Last time I wrote I mentioned how hot it was in May. Well, as we all know, it has not got any cooler. The Kitka Bulgarian Folklore Group were out in force again, this time in Chatham, dancing in the High Street. One of the local Arts-based foundations runs a series of cafes. They are called Nucleus Arts, and their café (or rather two of them) in Chatham are a gathering place for Eastern Europeans. So it was rather appropriate that we should be dancing outside one on 23rd June at their Arts Festival. The photograph is taken during a break in their lush, green outside space, which was very welcome.



Our next event was at the Sandwich Folk and Ale Festival. Sandwich is a lovely place, and the whole weekend of 7/8th July was taken up with all sorts of Morris sides, folk singing and dancing in many locations.



Kitka were there dancing at the interestingly named No Name Street crossroads. Although it was four in the afternoon the sun was still hot, and once again we were melting.

The photograph shows some of the group with a couple of musicians from the Kent Korkers Morris side, showing what a happy, friendly festival it was.

We survived the heat and look forward to our next engagement which is in the centre of Rochester, by the war Memorial. This is on Saturday 21st July timed for 13.40hrs. We are supporting the good folk doing their Walk for Peace, from Gillingham to Rochester, and we are the entertainment at the end of their trek. This won't make the August News, but if the Editor allows, I'll do something for the September News, along with the Maidstone Mela on 22nd July and the Broadstairs Folk weekend 11/12 August. Our contact email is kitkabfg@gmail.com

Sue Haydock
Secretary



1981 is a long time ago but I do remember when Wilf made up the **‘Jaunt with Joan’** although I don’t remember his calling it that. I did make up a dance to go with the music which was done at, I think, a Cecil Sharp dance. Details completely elude me now.

Seeing, each month, some of Wilf’s music in the News constantly brings to mind what a wonderful musician he was and what an asset to the Society during his long tenure. I particularly remember that Wilf had completely mastered the Austrian idiom and it was a revelation to hear him play Der Steirreger.

Thinking of Wilf has prompted me and Simon to remember so many dedicated and talented musicians who have played for us over the years and recorded music for us when we needed it.

* How about a ‘Roll of Honour’?

Joan Guest



* re a ‘Roll of Honour’ - there are photos of some of our musicians dotted about this month’s News. Above, Wilf and Frances admiring his award from the Society to mark his retirement from playing. I took the one on the opposite page of Martin Butler & co. in 2003, in Trafalgar Square, where there was a celebration to mark the Morris victory over Parliament. **Ed.**

(Caroline Thomas)



I know there are more musicians, past and present not shown in these pictures - please feel free to **add photos and names** to the 'Roll of Honour' for another issue.

Ed.



A Jaunt With Joan

England

A *Intro: Last two bars of Section A* *Mod*

7 G D G C D G D

15 G C D7 G G C D7

22 G C D7 G C G C

G D7 G C G D7 G Ad lib.

W.H. 4.7.81

Written for Joan Guest

"Wilf Horrocks' Collection"



The dances in the next two issues will also feature girls' names - the music for **Evangelina** from Mexico will be in September - followed by **Katarina** - from Ukraine in October.

As always it is gratifying to hear from people who can contribute notes, anecdotes etc. about the featured dances. **Ed.**



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WHAT'S ON IN AUGUST

Sun. 5th - Thurs. 9th MACHOL EUROPA at University of Warwick Israeli Dance Institute from £429. 020 8209 3155 or *info@IDI.ORG.UK*

Tues.7th - Fri.10th BALKAN AT SIDMOUTH FOLK WEEK
see page 5

S.I Sat.11th - Sun.12th KITKA BULGARIAN FOLKLORE GROUP
at the Broadstairs Folk and Ale weekend.

Sunday 12th DANCING IN NONSUCH PARK see page 5



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by the Editor in writing by 18th August .*