

Midwinter Dancing

I recommend checking before travelling to any event, to confirm the details.

RUMB would welcome news of any other midwinter sword outings, longsword or rapper, at home or abroad. If you let the editor know of an event it will be included in next years report.

SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER

Brompton Scorpers Santa Sunday, Northallerton.

Contact:
vincerutland21@gmail.com

TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER

Barnsley Sword Dancers
Dodworth Fire Festival
7.30pm.

Contact:
barnsleylongsword1@gmail.com

TUESDAY 19th DECEMBER

Barnsley Sword Dancers
Rapper tour of Barnsley centre pubs.

Contact:
barnsleylongsword1@gmail.com

FRIDAY 20nd DECEMBER

Sallyport Sword Dancers
Sheild's Road Crawl, Byker.

Contact:
vincerutland21@gmail.com

BOXING DAY, THURSDAY 26th DECEMBER

Flamborough Longsword
White Horse, Bempton 11:30 am;
Rose & Crown 1:00pm;
Seabirds, Tower Street
1:45pm; Victoria Club, Chapel
Street 2:30pm; Dog & Duck
Square 3:00pm. Please note
these times are approximate.

Contact: Richard Traves on
richardtraves@outlook.com

Grenoside Sword Dancers
Main St. Grenoside outside the
Old Harrow at 11:00am, with
guests followed by carol
singing in the Old Red Lion
Contact: Ray Ellison on: home
0114245336 mob.
07905955365 or
ray@grenosword.co.uk

Handsworth Sword Dancers
11:00am The Cross, Market
Square, Woodhouse (S13
7JX), 12 noon – In the car park
behind St. Mary's Parish
Church, Main Road,
Handsworth (S13 9BZ)
Contact: Boz Davison –
07714 872740 . email
boz_spider@yahoo.co.uk

Highside Longsword Starting
at the Queen's Head in Kirkby
Malzeard at 1pm and dancing
around the village.

Contact: Ted Dodsworth on
teddodsworth@gmail.com

Mersey Morris Men Our usual
Boxing Day event, 11am to
noon on the green in Willaston
on the Wirral. Possible
sword._

Contact: _Bagman, Steve
Adderley , on 0151 353 0544
or 07985 644 437 for up to
date details.

Redcar Sword Dancers 58th
Annual Performance, 12 noon,
The Hospital Gates,
Greatham, near Hartlepool,
TS25 2HS. This year we will
be back at the Hope and
Anchor for our pre-dance meet
and apres dance singaround.
Contact: Brian Pearce mob.
07910 479922 or
brian.pearce11@btinternet.co

Southport Swords 12.30
Hesketh Arms, Churchtown,
1.30pm Bold Hotel,
Churchtown, 2.45pm Guest
House, Southport.

Contact:
Southport.swords@gmail.com

SATURDAY 28th DECEMBER
Saddleworth - Lordsmere
Details to be confirmed check
the Saddleworth Rushcart
Facebook page or email
saddleworthmorris@gmail.com

SUNDAY 29th DECEMBER
Barnsley Sword Dancers
1:00pm Spencer Arms,
Cawthorne. Barnsley are not
sure if this is going ahead,
please check with
Contact:
barnsleylongsword1@gmail.com

NEWYEAR'S DAY:
WEDNESDAY 1st JANUARY
2025

Mersey Morris Men Plasterers
Arms in Hoylake, starting at
12:00. Mainly Cotswold but
usually a bit of Sword, Molly,
Border, etc plus music inside
after the dancing.
Contact Bagman: _Steve
Adderley , on 0151 353 0544
or 07985 644 437_ for up to
date details.

Monkseaton Morrismen 12
noon, The Ship Inn,
Monkseaton, will also dance at
some of the other pubs that
day but details
are subject to change.
Updates on X (Twitter)
@7manrapper

NEWYEAR'S DAY:
WEDNESDAY 1st JANUARY
2025 cont.

Wakeman Mummings Blue
Stots play possibly followed by
a sword dance. 11.00am, at
the Black Lion in Skelton on
Ure then perform up and down
the main street till about
midday, then perform in the
pub - before moving on to

Boroughbridge and performing at either end of the High Street; finishing around 1pm. We used to perform in the Bull at the top end of the High Street; but last year it didn't open on New Year's Day - so we came back to a pub in Ripon. We haven't arranged a Ripon pub for this_ New Year, as yet.

Contact: Jim Coulson:
jago@woodexperts.com

SUNDAY 5th JANUARY

Claro Longsword_ will be continuing their 40-year tradition of dancing_ at St. John's Church, Knaresborough during and after the 10:30am service._

Contact: 07954 541572

Ebor Morris from about 12:30 pm outside the Phoenix Inn, George Street , York. Will also be performing the Thorganby mummers play inside the pub! Further info will be posted on their website

www.Ebormorris.org.uk That's also where to contact them – using the Contact page.

PLOUGH MONDAY 6th JANUARY

The York Gentlemen_ at the Three Cranes, St. Sampsons Square, York at 6pm to dance (?) around 6.30 – ish._ There will be a convivial gathering at the appointed time but the reality of an actual dance may, I am advised, be more _a triumph of hope than over experience. Age and infirmity are taking their toll but, if sufficient ale is consumed, the Lazarus Effect is always a possibility! _

Contact: Jim Spriggs email
Spriggs.conserve@hotmail.co.uk

11th/12th JANUARY

Whittlesea Straw Bear – Sometime has Sword teams, see website for details
<http://www.strawbear.org.uk/>

SATURDAY 11th JANUARY

Grenoside Sword Dancers
Grenoside Village Traipse.
Contact: Ray Ellison on: home
0114245336 mob.
07905955365 or
ray@grenosword.co.uk

PLOUGH SUNDAY 12th JANUARY

Goathland Plough Stots
Plough 10.30 am Blessing at
St Mary's Church Goathland

Highside Longsword Kirkby
Malzeard plough blessing
service at St Andrew's Church
at 11.00 am.

Contact: Ted Dodsworth:
teddodsworth@gmail.com

Sullivan's Sword will host
Plough Sunday starting with a
Plough Service in St Denis's
Church in Morton,
Nottinghamshire. and then
continue at 12:00 in Southwell
with several guest sides.

Sullivan's will also perform the
local Farnsfield Plough Play.
Contact: Tim Clarke email:
tbjclarke@gmail.com, tel:
07582 745081.

PLOUGH MONDAY 13th JANUARY

Leven Sword_ will perform_ the
Cleveland Fool Plough Play on
Plough Monday,_ in the Royal
Oak in Great Ayton at 9.00pm.
The play, which_ includes a
short sword dance, will be
followed by a song and tune
session. There will be a
collection in aid of Cleveland
Mountain Rescue.

Contact: Caryn Loftus on
07773048250.

SATURDAY 18th JANUARY

Goathland Plough Stots
10:00am Tour of Goathland,
Darnholm and Beckhole.

SUNDAY 26th JANUARY

Claro Longsword_ will be
dancing_ at_ St. Andrew's
Church in Aldborough (nr
Boroughbridge), during and
after the 10 am morning
service themed on the
blessing of the Plough. Likely
to dance at local pubs after the
service.

Contact: 07954 541572 for
confirmation of details or
check our Facebook pages.