

TABORERS GUILDFORD GATHERING

Have fun taboring in the historic centre of Guildford 29th & 30th April!

Please make sure [Andy Richards](#) knows if you are coming to either day, and if coming on Saturday will you be having lunch of fish and chips or veggie burger and chips (need lunch info by noon 22nd April).

Also if, a long shot of madness, you want to see up the Mayday dawn with Pilgrim Morris at nearby St Martha's Hill.

FRI 29th April

Based in the "Gin Palace" upper room of the Keep pub 29 Castle Street, Guildford GU1 3UW.

This is opposite Guildford Castle, about 12 minutes walk from the station.

The nearest car park is about 5 minutes walk, the Castle Car Park, Sydenham Road GU1

3RW <https://www.guildford.gov.uk/castlecarpark>

Accommodation options include Travelodge Guildford which claims to have free parking, and, very close, the historic Angel Inn in the High St with no parking.

Draft Programme:

3 pm Gillian - Pavan Fortune My Foe [2].

3:25 Andy - Rebec Pipe and Summer is Icumen In [2].

3:50 Will - Ornamentation.

4:15 Break.

4:30 Andy – arranging Courante 183 "Terpsichore Springtanz 6"[2], Petit Vriens [2], Nancie 28 bars for New Almain.

5:10 Andy leads us out for mini walking tour playing Sumer is Icumen In, Petit Vriens, Courante 183 "Terpsichore Springtanz 6" [2].

6:00 Back to the Keep, order food <https://www.thekeepguildford.com/food>

Bill - Pipe and Natural Trumpet

Eat.

7:30 Tune sets for Saturday [1] [2], then Session.

SAT 30th April

[Guildford's Summer Games](#) are first recorded in the early 16th Century, with morris dancing (typically at this period to pipe and tabor), and the record of the Court Leet held at the Guildhall in 1611 refers to **'the Sommer Pole beinge found by his longe standinge over againste the parish church of St Mary in Guldeforde'**.

Timetable:

9:45am Meet at front door of St Mary's church for quick tunes ([1],[2]) run-through.

This Saxon church is in Quarry Street, at the top of Mill Lane, and very near the Star from where the procession will start. The postcode of the church is GU1 3TY and can be found using:

www.streetmap.co.uk.

10.00am St Mary's church will be open if you wish to leave things, visit the loo, kit up, etc.

10.30am Start of the Summerpole procession from bottom of High Street.

11.00 Dance outside Abbot's Hospital and Holy Trinity church (great buildings!). Taborers 1st Petit Vriens into Douce Dame Jolie ("Knight Errant"), 2nd Iron Legs with Actions.

Noon Process to Castle Green and erect the Summerpole. More dancing here. Taborers 1st Fortune My Foe Em into Nonesuch Em, 2nd Taborers choice of tune.

12.30pm Lunch and entertainments at St Mary's church.

14.15pm Dancing around the town. Taborers 1st Summer is icumen in, 2nd Iron Legs with Actions into Speed the Plough into Iron Legs with Actions.

15.45pm Back to Castle Green to dance and take down the Pole. Taborers choice of tune, might use Gelosia in D Mix, Courante 183 "Terpsichore Springtanz 6" in G.

Tea and biccies at St Mary's..

5:00 to 8:30pm Session at the "Gin Palace" upper room of the Keep pub 29 Castle Street, Guildford GU1 3UW.

The procession will be led by King Matthew and Queen Henriette together with the Summer Court, N'dobbin and Jack-in-the-Green. They will be followed by Pilgrim Morris and our guests Mayflower, Fleur de Lys, Ewell St Mary and, last but not least, members of the Taborers Society. Day organizers are Philip & Sally Gorton 11 Orchardfield Road Farncombe Godalming GU7 3PB summerpole@btinternet.com 01483 420763.

Lunch will be fish or veggie burger and chips but you are welcome to bring your own food if you prefer. There will be a barrel of free beer (Pilgrim Brewery of Reigate) so bring a drinking vessel if you have one. There will also be fruit cordial, or similar, available. Please bring your own liquid refreshment if you require something different: there is an M&S food hall at the lower end of the High Street, Sainsbury's very near Holy Trinity and an outdoor food market in North Street. Lunch will be followed by general carousing and the King and Queen will ask each of the sides to provide them with some entertainment. The total cost is £15 per person that will cover lunch, tea and church hire (it is in a very convenient position in the middle of town but it is expensive!). Please give Pilgrim Morris treasurer (Richard Greenwood) a cheque made out to Pilgrim Morris Men for the amount owed by the side on the day. Individuals may prefer to pay in cash. The cost for those not having lunch will be £6 per person to help cover the cost of beer, tea, biccies and the hire of the church. Please let us know by Friday 22nd April how many will be attending and how many will require lunch. Details of parking arrangements in Guildford can be found here: www.guildford.gov.uk/carparks The cheapest car park is in Guildford Park Road (£1 per day) but it is a bit of a trek into town. The most convenient to St Mary's is Millbrook but, at £6 for up to six hours, you may wish to share cars. The more adventurous amongst you may wish to use one of the Park & Ride car parks around the town: www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/buses-and-othertransport/guildford-park-and-ride

TUNES (all melodies are D pipe)

[1] Processing Tunes:

Bear Dance, Beaux Adderbury

Shepherd's Hey Adderbury, Hunt the Squirrel

Iron Legs into Speed the Plough and back (will use later, so processing it's only for middle of going up High St, can play E instead of low C#s).

[2] Show Tunes:

a) Abbot's Hospital: 1st Petit Vriens into Douce Dame Jolie ("Knight Errant"), 2nd Iron Legs with Actions.

b) Castle Green Pole Up: 1st Fortune My Foe Em into Nonesuch Em, 2nd Taborers choice of tune.

c) Around Town: 1st Summer is icumen in, 2nd Iron Legs with Actions into Speed the Plough into Iron Legs with Actions.

d) Castle Green Pole Down: Taborers choice of tune, might use Courante 183 "Terpsichore Springtanz 6" in G.

[Default sequence of teams may be Pilgrim, Fleurs de Lys, Taborers, Ewell St Mary, Mayflower].