

5/3/82 Chris Metherell, Alice Smith and Julie Jayman went to see Mrs. Doreen Kerr of Bircham Street, South Moor. Tel. 30652

This week Doreen had arranged for Brian Kennedy to come and meet us.

He is 46 now and started learning from Tiny Allison when he was 6 in 1941.

At that time Tiny taught at her Mum's house in Shield Row. He danced with her until he was 20. He came 3rd. at Hexham competitions in 1951. His sister Dorothy beat him by $\frac{1}{2}$ point into 2nd. place and Jackie Toaduff beat her by $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. into first place.

Tiny did teach dog dancing after 1951 but to less people - mainly the ones who had already done some or who wanted specifically to learn.

Brian was in the Juniors from 1949-51

~~Another~~ Another pupil of Tiny's they remembered was Walker Ramsey.

Dorothy's Address is

Mrs. Dorothy Lister (Aged 48)

11, Beamish St.,

Stanley. Tel. 34594 (works in Tropical Fish Shop)

Also remember a Miss Doreen Moorhead - now Mrs. Connolly of S. Stanley

Margaret Harris did mainly tap but a bit of dog dancing (not competitions)

Brian used to buy dogs at Sunderland and they were flat at the front (shoe-dogs)

You should move from the knees down as much as possible for the competitions

Brian danced round the clubs in a concert parky until he was 31 ish. There was him, a drag artist, a comedian + a singer. Bluebell Polka is the tune he remembered + Harvest Home.

Brian dances very heavily - he made holes in the linoleum! With straight shuffles quite a long way in front of him. (Like Peter Brown a bit)

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