Royal Albert Hall 11-12 January 1957

English Folk Dance & Song Society Festival



SOUVENIR PROGRAMME 2/6

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on Saturday evening

Abram Circle Dance

Hulichan Roundabout

Massed Dancers (London)

Ceremonial Flag Waving

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Rapper Sword Dance

Stockton Blue and Golds

Blaydon Races Tom Pate

Massed Dancers (Provinces)

Monk's March (Sherborne) I'll Go and Enlist for a Sailor

Dearest Dicky (Field Town)

(Sherborne)

Jockey Men's Morris Club

Six Handed Reel

Wiltshire District North Bovey Group

Double Change Sides Kavadarka

Macedonian Dancers and Singers

Beaux of London City Morris Men

Songs: My daughter Nalojno and The Moonlight Shone

Tikvesh Mat Makers' Dance

A Garland Dance

Massed Dancers (London)

INTERVAL

Soldier's Joy

Massed Dancers (London)

Sicilian Circle

O Waly, Waly (Somerset)

Patrick Shuldham-Shaw

The Coasts of High Barbary (Somerset)

Lavender's Blue (North Country)

Dawns Flodau Nantgarw

Dawnswyr Yr Urdd Harpist: Llio Williams

Dawns Gwyl Ifan Teshkoto

Macedonian Dancers and Singers

Flowers of Edinburgh The Gipsy's Wedding Day The Worksop E.F.D.S.S. Juniors

Cumberland Square Eight Clog Dance

Jackie Toaduff

Fiddle: Nan Fleming-Williams

Durham Rangers

Massed Dancers (London)

Road to California Rodney

William Kimber and Boys from Headington Secondary School

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Macedonian Dancers and Singers

Tcutcuk Montenegro

Finale—Circassian Circle

THE 1957 FESTIVAL

The Musicians

The overture, intermission and finale are played by the Hanwell Silver Band, Conductor—Alfred Jarvis; Leader—Charles Leatherby.

The Festival Band which accompanies the Massed Dancing includes: Elsie Avril, Jim Coleman, William Farr, William Ganiford, Sam Mason, Ernest Penfold, Pat Shuldham-Shaw, and is led by Nan Fleming-Williams. The training of musicians in playing for traditional dancing is one of the Society's most important activities. The musical arrangements are by Patrick Shuldham-Shaw.

The English Dancers

All those dancing at this Festival are amateurs and are either Members of the Society or of clubs, schools or cadet corps linked to the Society, and having English folk dancing as one of their chief interests.

The Morris and Sword Dancers

Starting from the work of Cecil Sharp, Morris and Sword dancing continues to grow in popularity. There are now in addition to the few remaining traditional teams, a host of small clubs up and down the country each of which has its own officers and plans its own programme of practices and events.

Most of these clubs are loosely federated in the Morris Ring which from time to time arranges gatherings of clubs in different parts of England.

At this Festival, two clubs from London, one from Birmingham and one from Stockton-on-Tees are showing dances from some eight different local traditions.

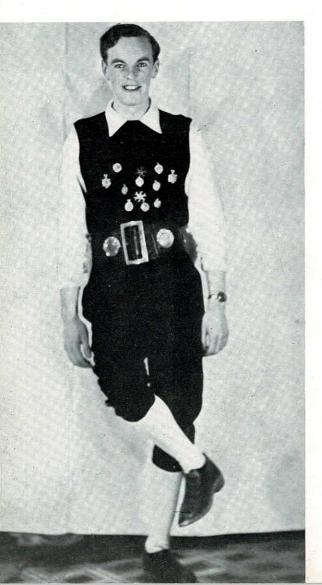
During the last few years much has been done to reconstruct and bring again into practice the Lichfield Morris; this tradition is represented by a solo jig in which four hats are used to indicate the four points of the compass.



The two groups from Devonshire and Wiltshire were selected for appearance in this Festival at the annual National Gathering of the Society held at Cecil Sharp House in November. Each team is performing a dance of its own local tradition.

Clog Dancing

In the North where clogs have been the normal footwear, the "stepping" of the dancers of the popular reels and hornpipes has developed certain special characteristics derived from the nature and weight of the wooden clog. Jackie Toaduff is a young coal miner who has won many prizes including the Clog Dancing Championship of the North-East. He is a modern exponent of the ancient school of step dancing as preserved until today in the County of Durham.



JACKIE TOADUFF