

# **DOLPHIN MORRIS BAGMAN REPORT -- AGM 2019**

## **BAGMAN'S OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS FOR THE PAST YEAR**

### **Change in Start Time:**

This was proposed at last year's AGM.

The side has settled into the new timing structure with members making it on time, after some instances of a few members arriving after 8pm in the early stages.

See the Attendance Record table in the Appendix, where "L" indicates an arrival after 8pm.

Chris Nixon and Wib often joined us at the sessions.

### **Attendance:**

As is my custom, I have maintained an attendance Tick Sheet. Based on observation when I was myself present, using TeamStuff when not.

This is shown in the appendix.

Generally attendance has been good. At practise there were 5 occasions when we had enough for 2 sides + music. However there was 1 occasion when we had only 6 at a practise and a further 3 when we had less than 9, preventing complete practise of the 8 men traditions.

#### **Breakdown of Attendance: Practises and Tours**

Season	> 90%	89 to 80%	79 to 70%	69 to 60%	59 to 50%	Population
2018-19	2	2	3	4	2	13
2017-18	2	2	1	6	2	13
2016-17	2	2	3	1	2	10
2015-16	2	4	3	2	2	13
2014-15	2	6	1	2	1	12

### **Recruitment:**

We have been fortunate to have been joined by Gavin (an experienced dancer) and we have interest from one, and perhaps two, potential new members this coming year.

### **TeamStuff:**

I believe that TeamStuff is fulfilling our needs as a means of:

- Communicating practises, gigs and events.
- Point of reference of what is happening and when, for the side.
- Recording our availability for each event

The TeamStuff app does require a certain amount of "interpretation" as it is designed for sports teams, and I believe that is now well understood by the side.

It is easily used on mobile devices or (proper) computers.

If individuals set up the notifications as advised, recording the "intention to attend" is very easy, by using the reminder sent, giving a simple Yes / No option to click on, whether the reminder is sent by email or mobile device notification.

As per the discussion at the last AGM, the default for 'regular' events such as Practises and Tours is "Not Decided" (Amber) and for Gigs / Events the default is "Not Coming" (Red).

One limitation that needs a work around is that when confirming that one does not wish to attend and event that is defaulted as "Not Coming" is the need to either:

- add a text in the comments field to be found on the updating screen,
- to rotate round the attendance options, saving them to the system between changes, back to Not Coming.

Either of these changes shows up on the App, so that I can see your considered decision, rather than wondering if you have not yet made a decision.

In general the take up of TeamStuff has been good, but is not consistently 100% amongst the “regular” attenders, and I get the feeling that some people have got out of the habit of using TeamStuff over the August break.

I ask all ‘regular attenders’ to use TeamStuff 100% of the time.

For the record: as administrator of TeamStuff I am using the “pro” version as it offers some useful administration facilities. This costs the side £5 per year.

### Sponsorship:

Due to the cancelation of the Ring Jigs Instructional we were not able to take advantage of the Nottingham Brewery sponsorship last year.

I plan to make reference to this, when seeking sponsorship again next year, in a faint hope that we may get two barrels!

### What We Did This Year:

The list below shows that Dolphin have attended 16 events this year. 7 are Team events and 9 Individual events. None of these earned us any income.

Last year the comparable numbers were 11, 5 and 6 respectively, with 1 paid gig.

Date	Event	Team/Individual	Who
06-Oct-18	Steam Punk @ The Frame Breakers	T	AP,BH,CC,MW,RD,IA,MM,IS + Dawn
15-Dec-18	Revs Christmas Revels at Victoria Beeston	T	MM, MW, IA,GD,RD,DG,WW, ??
20-Dec-18	Dolphin Carols Night / Party	T	All
19-Jan-19	Ripley Feast	I	MW, GD(as Uttox), EM, JM(as Anker)
26-Jan-19	Dancing England / Dancing Butchers	I	MW, NM, RD, WW, IA, AP, MM.
02-Feb-19	Leicester Feast	I	MW, GD(as Uttox), EM, JM(as Anker)
23-Feb-19	Insomaniacs Ball	I	MW, MM
02-Mar-19	Ring ARM	I	EM
30-Mar-19	JMO Day of Dance - Manchester	T	BH,CC,DW,DG,EM,JM,MW,MM
11-May-19	Hayfield Morris	I	AP,CC,GD,WW,IA
02-Jun-19	1620s House, Donnington-le-Heath: Bradmore Play Reprise	T	AP,BH,CC,DW,DG,IS,IA,MW,NM,WW,MM
13-Jun-19	Edward Bellaby's Funeral / Celebration of Life	I	BH,DW,MW,NM,WW,MM (Music by TP)
19-Jun-19	Anker's Midsummer Morris @ Baxterley	I	MM
12-Jul-19	Chipperfield Weekend	T	EM,JM,GD,IA,MW,NM,WW,IA,MM
21-Jul-19	Barbie / Fun Day @ The Swan Milton near Repton. Charity with Uttoxeter .	I	RD, MM, GD (as Uttox)
28-Jul-19	Deerstock Festival .	T	AP,BH,CC,MW,NM,RD,WW,MM

Thanks for turning out good people.

### Events & Invitations Declined / Not Attended:

See appendix for the list of these events. There are 36, 15 from the Morris world and 21 from the rest of the world in the past year compared to 50, 21 and 29 respectively last year.

It is clear that Dolphin continues to be easily found, and has a “presence” out in the wider world when people think of the Morris. I continue to believe our “reach” via printed matter and the website is very good and providing us with more opportunities than we can accommodate.

### Kit:

We have stocks of Red and Green Ribbon, ½” & 1” wide, an estimated 20metre of Baldrick ribbon, a variety of new and used Baldrick badges and a variety of small and medium sized bells. Enough for 2 or perhaps 3 recruits.

### Tours Meeting:

I will set up a Doodle poll to find a night when the maximum of those wanting to take part can attend a meeting to discuss 2020 Tours and

### Morris Ring

The Ring has set up a Portal where a side can update its details, eg contact details and Officers, and download a copy of the Insurance certificate.

## Upcoming Events:

Below are some events we have been asked to do or often get invitations to.

Date	Event
12-Oct-19	Possible Gig: Cromford Apple Day
25-Oct-19	Unconvention of the Illustrious Order of Fools and Beasts (Venue: tbc)
09-Nov-19	Anker Morris Feast (Date to be Confirmed)
19-Dec-19	Dolphin Xmas Carols Night / Party. Venue: tbc
11-Jan-20	SB Wassail: Opportunity for Plough Play????
17-Jan-20	Ring Jigs Instructional at SB
25-Jan-20	Ripley Feast (Date to be Confirmed)
08-Feb-20	Leicester Morris Feast (Date to be Confirmed)
01-Mar-20	Ring ARM (Date to be Confirmed)
18-Apr-20	JMO @ Liverpool organised by Mersey Morris
01-May-20	Hayfield Carnival (Date to be Confirmed)
30-May-20	Thaxted w/e of dance
24-Jun-20	Anker's Midsummer Morris @ Baxterley (Date to be Confirmed)
10-Jul-20	Greensleeves Chipperfield w/e (Date to be Confirmed)
26-Jul-20	Wedding Celebratory Party @ Thrumpton Hall. Dance spot at 4pm, possibly with music & song. Paying gig. Have a tour and lunch before hand??
22-Aug-20	Saddlewort Rushcart
05-Sep-20	Plymouth Morris 50th Anniversary w/e (Also Mayflower 400th Anniversary)
15-Sep-20	Val Scott Gig. We have committed to doing this.
Various	Demonstrate the Morris to 1st Gotham Scouts on one Thursday evening.
tbc	Combined spot at The Frame Breakers, Ruddington with Knights of Nottingham and Ruddington Belly Dancers. Of interest to the side????

I remind you all that I will not say yes on behalf of the side that we will attend/perform at an event, without a basic side of 6 + Music. It is important that you make sure that I am aware of your "No" answers as well as the "Yes" answers.

## Tenure of Bagman:

I am happy to let A.N. Other to take on the Bagman's role as always, but I don't see a queue of candidates. I will continue in the role if that is the side's wish this year.

I have to declare that the role is becoming a tad burdensome, as like many others in the side, there are other things that I want to do in my life. Having to make time to think about and organise Dolphin is becoming a nuisance.

You can all make my task easier by using TeamStuff fully and promptly. Verbal or email messages outside TeamStuff, are useful, but **DO NOT** replace proper responses in Team Stuff. Verbal responses get forgotten and emails have to be found causing extra work for me, which I increasingly resent.

# APPENDIX

## ATTENDANCE TICK SHEET

KEY: "Y" = Attended "L" = Arrived after 8pm "A" = Apologies given in advance "X" = Not Present & no apologies

	Martin Morley	Brian Elliot	Ian Ambrose	Clive Cowx	Ray Dawson	Chris Gigg	David Gough	Bob Hine	Matt Langley	Steve Manning	Emma Melville	Jon Melville	Toby Melville	Nick Murphy	Joe Oskiewicz	Andy Padmore	Steve Parker	Ian Stewart	Wilson Walker	Dave Walters	Michael Wilkinson	Gavin Davison	No. Present
06-Sep-16	NO MEETING - HALL UNAVAILABLE																						
13-Sep-16	Y	X	A	Y	A	Y	Y	A	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	A	-	Y	Y	A	Y	A	8
20-Sep-16	AGM																						
27-Sep-16	Y	A	L	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	-	L	L	-	Y	A	L	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	16
04-Oct-16	Y	A	A	A	Y	X	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	A	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	10
11-Oct-16	Y	A	A	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	X	-	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	10
18-Oct-16	Y	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	Y	-	A	A	L	Y	A	10
25-Oct-16	Y	L	L	Y	Y	A	L	A	-	-	L	L	-	Y	X	Y	-	A	Y	Y	Y	A	13
01-Nov-16	Y	A	L	Y	A	Y	Y	A	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	X	-	A	Y	X	Y	Y	9
08-Nov-16	Y	L	L	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	A	-	A	A	Y	Y	A	11
15-Nov-16	Y	A	L	Y	Y	A	L	Y	-	-	-	-	-	A	X	Y	-	A	Y	A	Y	Y	10
22-Nov-16	Y	A	L	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	A	-	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	11
29-Nov-16	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	X	A	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	L	-	L	Y	A	Y	Y	10
06-Dec-16	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	Y	-	Y	Y	A	Y	X	11
13-Dec-16	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	L	A	-	-	-	-	-	A	X	X	-	Y	Y	A	Y	A	8
20-Dec-16	XMAS CAROLS NIGHT / PARTY																						
27-Dec-16	NO PRACTICE																						
03-Jan-17	Y	X	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	A	-	Y	A	Y	Y	A	9
10-Jan-17	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	X	L	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	X	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	X	11
17-Jan-17	Y	X	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	Y	X	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	12
24-Jan-17	Y	X	Y	Y	Y	L	Y	A	-	-	Y	Y	-	Y	L	Y	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	15
31-Jan-17	Y	X	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	A	X	Y	A	A	Y	Y	A	10
07-Feb-17	Y	X	Y	Y	L	A	Y	A	-	-	-	-	-	A	X	X	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	9
14-Feb-17	Y	X	Y	Y	A	Y	A	A	-	-	-	-	-	Y	X	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	11
21-Feb-17	Y	A	Y	A	A	A	Y	A	-	-	-	-	-	A	X	X	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	8
28-Feb-17	Y	X	Y	Y	Y	A	X	L	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	10
07-Mar-17	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	-	-	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	X	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	14
14-Mar-17	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-	L	X	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	13
21-Mar-17	Y	A	A	A	Y	Y	X	A	-	-	Y	Y	-	Y	Y	L	A	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	12
28-Mar-17	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	L	Y	-	-	-	-	-	Y	Y	X	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	X	12
04-Apr-17	Y	X	Y	Y	A	A	Y	A	-	-	-	-	-	Y	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	11
11-Apr-17	Y	A	Y	Y	A	A	A	Y	-	-	-	-	-	A	Y	A	A	A	A	A	Y	A	6
18-Apr-17	A	A	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	-	-	A	A	-	Y	X	Y	A	????	A	Y	Y	Y	10
25-Apr-17	Y	A	Y	A	Y	A	A	Y	-	-	A	A	-	Y	X	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	X	10
TOUR 1	02-May-17	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	-	-	A	A	-	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	14
TOUR 2	09-May-17	A	A	A	Y	Y	A	A	Y	-	-	A	A	-	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	9
TOUR 3	16-May-17	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	A	A	-	-	Y	Y	-	Y	X	Y	A	A	Y	Y	Y	12
TOUR 4	23-May-17	A	A	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	-	-	A	A	-	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	11
TOUR 5	30-May-17	Y	A	A	A	Y	A	Y	Y	-	-	Y	Y	-	Y	A	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	12
TOUR 6	06-Jun-17	Y	A	Y	Y	A	A	A	Y	-	-	Y	Y	-	Y	X	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	12
TOUR 7	13-Jun-17	Y	A	A	Y	Y	A	X	Y	-	-	A	A	-	A	X	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	10
TOUR 8	20-Jun-17	Y	X	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	-	-	Y	Y	-	Y	X	A	A	Y	Y	A	Y	12
TOUR 9	27-Jun-17	Y	A	A	Y	Y	A	A	X	-	-	A	A	-	Y	X	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	10
TOUR 10	04-Jul-17	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	-	-	A	A	-	A	X	Y	A	Y	Y	A	Y	9
TOUR 11	11-Jul-17	Y	A	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	-	-	A	A	-	Y	Y	Y	A	A	Y	A	Y	11
TOUR 12	18-Jul-17	Y	A	A	Y	Y	A	A	Y	-	-	A	A	-	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	A	A	9
TOUR 13	25-Jul-17	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	A	A	Y	-	-	Y	Y	-	Y	A	Y	A	Y	Y	A	A	12
Not Attended		3	38	14	9	7	29	17	14	0	0	10	10	0	8	35	19	24	13	9	13	1	20
of which Apologies given		3	28	14	9	7	28	12	13	0	0	10	10	0	7	7	9	23	13	9	12	1	15
of which no notice given		0	10	0	0	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	28	10	1	1	0	1	0	5
Attended		40	5	29	34	36	14	26	29	0	0	10	10	0	35	8	24	5	29	34	30	42	23
Total possible		43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43
% Attended		93%	12%	67%	79%	84%	33%	60%	67%	0%	0%	23%	23%	0%	81%	19%	56%	12%	67%	79%	70%	98%	53%
Arrived after 8pm		0	2	6	0	1	1	4	2	0	0	2	2	0	1	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	0

### Morris Events Declined

Date	Event
10-Nov-18	Rose & Castle 40th Anniv Feast/Ceilidh
10-Nov-18	Anker Morris Feast
13-Jan-19	Sulivans Sword Plough Sunday
19-Jan-19	Rings Jig Instructional @ SB -- Cancelled
20-Apr-19	Derby Live, St Georges Day
25-May-19	Cleesethorpes Folk & Cider Festival
01-Jun-19	Lawrence Platt - Celebration of life
01-Jun-19	Thaxted Morris Weekend
07-Jun-19	Hartley Ale weekend - Cancelled
29-Jun-19	Queens Oak + Rose & Castle w/e
05-Jul-19	Blackheath Morris 50th Anniversary Weekend
09-Jul-19	Sullivan Sword Dance out, Southwell
28-Jul-19	Jon & Emma's 25th Wedding Anniversary gathering (at Deerstock)
24-Aug-19	45th Saddleworth Rushcart (Ring Meeting)
07-Sep-19	Lincoln Big Morris

### Non Morris Events Declined

Date	Event
14-Dec-18	Derby Ceilidh Club - Dance Spot
13-Oct-18	Cromford Apple Day
12 or 19 Jan 19	Sutton Bonnington Wassail
06-May-19	Alexandra House Eastwood (Care Home)
06-May-19	Lowdham Village Show
06-May-19	Belvoir Castle Monday or Sunday
19-May-19	Victorian Times, Museum of Timekeeping, Upton, Newark
27-May-19	Wellow May Day
21-Jun-19	Ruddington Frame Breakers & Craft Market
22-Jun-19	Beeston Scouts "Picnic in the Park
29-Jun-19	Derbyshire House Residential Home, East Leake. SummerFete
06-Jul-19	Beeston Canal Heritage Centre - Charity Event.
14-Jul-19	Hatton Carnival
20-Jul-19	Horsley Woodhouse Carnival
11-Aug-19	Mountsorrel Revels
31-Aug-19	Butchers Dance at Bandstand in Victoria Park Nottm. Replied too late to be included.
07-Sep-19	Lambley Village Show
07-Sep-19	East Leake Festival Weekend
A Thursday night Session	Giving Gotham Scouts a Taster session Put off till next season
Various	Nottingham Industrial Museum
Various	Dancing at a Campsite in Rutland