

Spring Grove Morris Men, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey (UK)

Year founded: 1977 *Gender:* Men *Organization(s):* Morris Ring *Dance type(s):* Cotswold Morris, Sword *Tradition(s) / style(s):* Adderbury, Fieldtown, Headington, Bampton, Bidford, Bucknell, Lichfield, Brackley, Upton upon Severn, The White Boys Sword Dance from the Isle of Man *Kit/Livery:* White shirt with white trousers and coloured neckerchief. Crossed baldrics of two inch green with a central one inch yellow stripe. Rosettes on front and back showing a small grove of trees with a spring flowing from them. Black shoes and socks, bell pads with green and yellow ribbons and a straw hat decorated with personal badges, flowers and yellow and green ribbons. The side's name, Spring Grove Morris Men is taken from the small Victorian backwater between Kingston and Surbiton, just outside London, UK where the side was formed and centred on the local Young's Public House of the same name.

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Miscellany: Morris was first mentioned in Kingston in 1507 in church wardens records, and was revived in 1911 for the coronation of King George V and Queen Mary. We have an associated mixed side called Off-Spring also based in Kingston. Website: <http://www.offspringmorris.org>

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