



Steyning Community Orchard Newsletter.

Wassail - January 18th 2025

Wassail Saturday 18th January 2025. 5.30pm. Starting outside the Cricket club pavilion.

Our popular Wassail event will return on Saturday 18th January 2024. Mythago Morris will again lead our celebrations.

Free event with bucket collection - (so please bring some coins with you!)

At 5.30pm we meet outside the Steyning Cricket Club, when the Mythago Morris Side will perform their traditional Wassail Dances whilst explaining the tradition of Wassailing. (Called Apple Howling here in Sussex)

At about 6pm we process to the Steyning Community Orchard where Mythago will continue telling the Wassail story with songs and dance around our specially decorated and illuminated Wassail tree.

Part of the ceremony involves making as much noise as possible, banging pots and pans, whistling and shouting to scare away the evil spirits and at

the same time awakening the fruit trees to prepare for the coming spring. So don't forget to bring some noise-making utensils, and torches, with you! We should be back at the Cricket Club by 7pm.

This is a great family event, but might be a bit scary for very little ones.





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