

WStafford Morris Men, Stafford, Staffordshire (UK)

Year founded: 1957 *Gender:* men *Organization(s):* Morris Ring, CDSS, West Midlands Folk Federation
Dance type(s): Cotswold morris, longsword, rapper sword, mumming *Tradition(s) / style(s):* Most Cotswold traditions, but particularly Lichfield, a local tradition. *Rapper:* Winlaton & Newbiggin
*Longsword:*North Skelton & Ampleforth *Kit/Livery:* White Shirts and Trousers with white belts. Red and black baldricks, with red and black rosettes at the crosses. Full members have a Gold Stafford knot on three rosettes and a personal badge on the back. Junior Members wear silver knots when approved. Bell pads in red, black and gold. Straw hats to personal design, but generally floral decoration. Large white handkerchiefs with a red Stafford knot are used. Black Shoes and white socks.

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Miscellany: New Members and visitors always welcome - (current Age range 7 to 80).

The side was re-formed in 1957, but records of Morris in Stafford go back to the 16th Century.

Stafford has a Fool called Jack and a Hobby Horse (Tourney Horse) called Knotty.

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