Dance Op The Sun with Apple Tree Morris May First, 2007

or over a century, morris dancers have been dancing at sunrise on the first day of May. West Coast teams have the honor of being the last in the world to dance on May Morning: the wave of morris dancing begins at sunrise in New Zealand, and sweeps around the entire planet before culminating here in California.

ome help us celebrate the beauty of Spring in Sonoma County as we dance up the sun on May Day at the Sebastopol Community Center Youth Annex, 425 Morris Street. We'll be dancing behind the Annex, between the pond and the traffic circle. Park on the street, then follow the candles. The dancing starts at 5:30 AM, and will go through sunrise (around 6:20) and a little bit more, then you are welcome to join us at a potluck breakfast nearby. There will be morris dancing to watch and country dances everyone can do, as well as wonderful music and singing. We'd love it if you'd join us for this celebration!

Dress warmly, since it tends to be chilly before dawn, and you may want a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. If you have questions, please call Kalia at 707-829-3478. This is a free event!

Directions

For a map, use Google Maps and enter "430 Morris Street, Sebastopol, CA" in the address field.

From Santa Rosa and points east: Get onto Highway 12 toward Sebastopol. Turn right/north at the light onto Morris Street, and park when the street turns left.

From Sebastopol: Get onto Highway 12 heading toward Santa Rosa, and at the first light outside of town (near Bradley Video), turn left/north onto Morris Street then park when the street turns left.