

Brompton Carnival, Fair and Sports Days

May pole dancing in the early 130s



(Picture kindly contributed by **Colin Narramore**)

This picture shows the Carnival at Water End in the early 1930's

Brompton Whitsuntide Carnival float in 1934



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Standing outside the Post Office in 1934 Ted Wheatley stands proudly with his horse and cart float at Brompton Whitsuntide Carnival



Cycle Race at Water End - Whitsuntide 1945

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The crowds gather on a sunny but what looks like a cold day to watch the local contestants take part in a cycle obstacle race. Looks like suits and long trousers were the order of the day and it didn't matter if you got a bit dirty - it was all good fun.



Carnival & Sports - 1949 style

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No health and safety regulations here in 1949 at Brompton Carnival. Just take a closer look at the photo, the cross bar must be a least six foot high and he is well above it. There is nothing soft to land on and that bucket looks a bit dangerous. What about his clothes? - could be his Sunday best, but that's the way it was and what a days entertainment.

Boys & Girls at Whitsuntide Carnival and Parade 1951



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(Thanks to **Billy Baines** for contributing names)*

Left to Right

Rear row - Alan Hoare, ? Pattison, Maurice Gibson, Billy Lincoln, ? Brown, Peter Kirkbride (at back), Alan (Garry) Dawson, Billy Stockdale (at back), George Bradley, Ronnie Carr, Betty Wilson, Jean Hodgson, Babs Robinson.

Left to Right

Middle row (Kneeling) Frank Robinson, Kenny Robinson, Desmond Gibson, Kenneth Bickerton, Norman Coverdale, Neil Hunton, Stewart Nelson

Front row (mostly seated) - Neville Atkinson(at front wearing cap), Noname (with cup? on head?), Bobby Kilding, John Atkinson, **Billy Baines**, Billy Lyons, Noname in front of Harry Bell, Malcolme Tyreman (at front with stripey tanktop), Noname (half hidden), ? Marchant

Decorated bicycles lead the Parade in 1951



Prize Winners 1960



*(Picture kindly contributed by **Colin Narramore**)*

Standing on the left Catherine Kemp proudly displays her bicycle and first prize certificate alongside second prize winner Dorothy Tutin at the 1960 Brompton Whitsuntide Carnival and Sports day.

Brompton Whitsuntide Carnival day Fancy Dress competition



Last of the Summer Wine.....Summer 1983.....

*(Thanks to **Billy & Betty Baines** for contributing both picture and names)*

Left to right ,Frankie Thompson (she lives in Pasture View),Judy Pilgrim(she lives at Hilton Close), Betty Dobson(Billy Baines twin)is on the right,and one of Betty's daughters, Sandra Segger nee Dobson.

In addition to the pictures in this section, please take time to visit this link which is provided by Alan and shows the excellent Marching Bands who were always a feature at Whitsuntide.

Alan says "My Grandmother lived on Cockpit Hill, and my Great Aunt at Water End, so I grew up with a good view of all parts of Brompton Carnival. My mother had often entered the fancy dress as a child. My own favourite part was always the parade of juvenile jazz bands. The 1960s and 1970s were certainly the glory days. You could barely see the crossroads for crowds; the whole village was a buzz. They were certainly good times".

Click on the link to see the Marching Bands:-

[Marching Band pictures from the 1970's & 80's](#)