

Widcombe Rising - a song for Widcombe

English Morris/folk style, crotchet=92

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Voice

As I walked down this fair parade — one sun-ny day in June I
 met a man a - long the way — who said "good af-ter - noon." I asked him for di - rec-tions to
 get to Pult'-ney Weir He said "If I was go-ing there I would-n't start from here!" So let's
 all join to - geth-er Lis-ten can't you hear? It's the sound of Wid-combe Ri -
 sing... and it hap-pens ev-er-y year oh yes it hap-pens ev-er-y year!

** (play last four bars instrumentally before each verse as intro/interlude)*

I asked him what he did for work
 And gaily he replied
 "I keep the old canalside safe
 By checking on the tide
 And since I started working here I think I've done some good
 From Ali Park to Beechen Cliff there hasn't been a flood!"

So let's all...

He said he lived in Abbey View
 Had been there all his life
 And now that he was ninety-two
 He wanted for a wife
 He said "she can be tall or short
 I do not give a damn
 As long as she lives less than fifty paces from the Ram!"

So let's all...