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## Homer Sykes: Country Customs



From 1970-1977, Homer Sykes travelled the length and breadth of the UK, documenting nearly 100 quickly vanishing traditional British customs from the Allendale Tar Barrel Parade of Northumberland to the Ripon Sword Dance of Yorkshire.

Though inspired by the 19th century photographer Benjamin Stone, Sykes approached the events with a distinctly modern sensibility, creating dynamic images that focus mainly on the tradition that is being re-enacted against a background of everyday life.

In recent years, his photographs have become recognised as one of the most important archives of British traditional customs as well as a fascinating insight into life in 1970s Britain.

Homer Sykes has exhibited widely both in the UK and internationally and has published 14 books, including many that cover other aspects of British life.

Prints are priced at £680 unframed. Framing can be organised by request.