



## Essex Sound and Video Archive Sources on Christmas



Get yourself in the mood for the Christmas season with this selection of festive sound and video recordings from the Essex Sound and Video Archive. These items can be ordered via SEAX in the same way as other records. Searchroom staff will be happy to show you to the playback room where you can listen to or view the recordings. So take a break from your research and enjoy some carols, discover more about your Christmas dinner, or find out how Christmas was celebrated in years gone by.

Before ordering any of the items listed below, you might wish to consult the summaries on SEAX to find out more about the recording.

### 1) Carols, songs and nativity plays

	Reference number
BBC Essex: Carols from Great Burstead parish church, 1991	SA 1/1289/1
BBC Essex: Christmas Carols from Our Lady Immaculate School, Chelmsford, 1987	SA 1/100/1
BBC Essex: Christmas Carols from Thorpedene School, Shoeburyness, 1987	SA 1/99/1
BBC Essex: Christmas Eve ceremony of carols on village green at Ugley, 1987	SA 1/148/1
BBC Essex Folk Sessions: includes the song, 'The Carpenter's Christmas' by Chris Jones	SA 30/3/22/1
BBC Essex: a musical play about the homeless at Christmas, written and performed by pupils of Hedingham School, 1993	SA 1/1110/1
BBC Essex: a programme of carols, old and new, and readings, from Chelmsford Cathedral, Christmas Day 1986	SA 1/939/1
BBC Essex: school nativity play from Kents Hill Infants School, South Benfleet, 1988	SA 1/352/1
Chelmsford Folk Club: Christmas special, 1978	SA 30/6/94/1
A Christmas Wassail - Christmas songs, carols and verse, recorded at the Vestry House Museum, Walthamstow, 1991	SA 21/1310/1
<i>EastWard Hospital TV: Christmas songs by children of Kelvedon Hatch Primary School 1986</i>	<i>VA 2/45/1</i>
Essex Radio: 'Old Sam's Christmas Pudding' performed by Roger Johnson at Blackmore Folk Club, 1982	SA 30/3/9/1
Folk Carol Service recorded at the Methodist Church, New Road, Leigh-on-Sea, 1988	SA 30/1/1/1
<i>Folk Carol Service, New Road Methodist Church, Old Leigh, 2000</i>	<i>VA 30/9/1</i>
Hospital Radio: 'Long Gone Are The Days' - a programme of words and music for an Essex Christmas, 1981	SA 30/3/24/1
Witham Choral Society: St.Cecilia Choir, Christmas Concert 1991	SA 23/1413/1

## 2) Food

	Reference number
Christmas joints of meat cooked in bread oven	SA 24/1617/1
Memories of Christmas dinner	SA 8/1871/1
Memories of Christmas dinner	SA 13/1419/1
The natural history of the Christmas dinner; wild origins of turkeys, chickens, potatoes, brussels sprouts	SA 1/1499/1
Sweets from school governess at Christmas	SA 24/1616/1

## 3) Memories of Christmas past

	Reference number
Christmas in Billericay workhouse c.1914	SA 24/1595/1
Olive Getgood of Bocking – memories of Christmas	SA 8/1853/1
Mr and Mrs Chaplin of Brightlingsea – Christmas Day in the bakehouse	SA 8/1889/1
Christmas at Mangapps, Burnham	SA 24/1008/1
Christmas parcels to soldiers from Burnham during WWII	SA 5/376/1
Doris Martin of Chelmsford – Christmas in hospital	SA 24/1454/1
Lily Curtis of Colchester - memories of Christmas	SA 8/1883/1
Harold Norfolk of Colchester – family singing at Christmas	SA 8/1855/1
Sid Bland of Colchester – Co-op Christmas social	SA 8/1842/1
Jack Ashton of Colchester – Memories of Christmas	SA 8/1586/1
Claud Snell of Earls Colne – great drunkenness at Christmas	SA 17/795/1
Christmas at Copped Hall, Epping	SA 24/454/1
Christmas at The Queen's Head pub in Messing	SA 8/1836/1
Agnes Cork of Rowhedge – Christmas and birthdays	SA 8/1849/1
Village Christmases in White Colne	SA 1/152/1

## 4) Miscellaneous

	Reference number
BBC Essex: 50th anniversary of the first Christmas of WWII in Essex, 1989	SA 1/455/1
BBC Essex: conversation about Christmas and Christmas fare using Essex dialect and vernacular terms, 1988	SA 1/347/1
BBC Essex: RSPCA's pre-Christmas campaign, 1992	SA 1/1241/1
BBC Essex: Special Christmas Quiz 1987	SA 1/211/1
Christmas greetings from Mr. Cutmore of Halstead	SA 24/1839/1
The Christmas 1994 magazine of the Brentwood Talking Newspaper for the Blind	SA 2/1/24/1
Christmas time in Walthamstow market, 1984	SA 9/446/1
<i>EastWard Hospital TV: Christmas special, 1986</i>	<i>VA 2/45/1</i>
<i>EastWard Hospital TV: Christmas special, 1988 - Father Christmas flight from Southend Airport; a Christmas message from Revd. Sheila Mackie; Christmas tree plantation</i>	<i>VA 2/65/1</i>