

Wilts Quarter Sessions 17th Century

Knook

ROAST VEAL AND WHITE POT

At the Quarter Sessions held at Warminster July 19th, 1614.

The Jury do psent upon there othes that upon the last day of Aprill 1614 last past Walter Davis smythe of Codford St. Peter did receave into his house divers hines (servants) and mayd servants of his neighbours and there feasted them with rosted vale, whitpott and monstrells eyall at the charges of the neighbours servant thereabouts, some of Codford & some of Stockton, and at many other tymes he hath done the like. The Minstrell that as there at this tyme was one Nicholas Bennett of Knooke.

(Note – Whitepott was a dish composed of milk with Eggs, fine bRead, sugar and spice baked in a pot).

They also present "that upon the 5th of June being Sonday George Dyer servant unto George Imber of SHerington & Mathew Begger of Codford played at kittles for xxd a throw & a typp wch they call xxd againe, insomuche that one in the Company won xxs at that play at that tyme".

The Constables of the hundred of Heytesbury "present Nicholas Bennett of Knooke as a common Minstrell or Crowder (= a fiddler) Y useth to play about in the County upon the Sabbaoth daie to the great dishonor of God."