

# Robin Williamson, Drive The Cold Winter Away

when old jack frost has threatened his worst  
and fallen from branch to briar  
then welcome the nights that double delights  
in the light of a good going fire  
good fortune attend each merry man's friend  
that does but as best as he may  
to banish old wrong with a cup and a song  
and drive the cold winter away

to mask and to mum your neighbours are come  
with wassails of nut brown ale  
to drink and carouse and may all in this house  
be as merry as buck in the dale  
it's good bread and cheese we ask for our fees  
to make us the longer to stay  
to banish old wrong with a cup and a song  
and drive the cold winter away