

THE HAMLET



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The Golden Green Association Newsletter

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Golden Green Summer Fete

Sunday 25 June 1–4pm
Signpost Field Recreation Ground

Tug-of-war, Egg & spoon, Pratt's sack races*

Plants, Home-made cakes

Books, Puzzles, 'Antiques of tomorrow'

Tombola, Coconut shy, Wheel of Fortune

Piggy races, Hook-a-duck, Buzzer game, Giant jigsaw

BBQ, Cream teas, Strawberries & cherries (if ready)

Pimm's, Beer, Soft drinks and more!

Wanted: Books, DVDs, CDs, vinyl (no VHS); saleable items for the White Elephant stall; donations for the tombola and raffle. Bring to Signpost Field after 11am on 25th. Tombola donations picked up in advance – contact Jo on 07771 593227.

Help please! Volunteers needed to set up/take down, run stalls and serve in the tea tent. Please contact Alec on 850739

*Events entered at your own risk!

The Bell News

Lee & Sammie Stanley
Tel 851748

Food served daily *
Games room * Function
room hire for parties,
band practice etc. free
for GG residents



Old Guns vs Youngens

Saturday 3 June 7.30pm
8 DJs with Reggae, Ska, Rocksteady &
Jerk Shack serving Caribbean food!

Crystalate + DJ Sulphur

Saturday 10 June 8pm
Live electronic band

Bernie's Big Quiz

Monday 12 June 8pm
All welcome. £2 entry

Northern Soul & Motown

Friday 23 June 7pm

We are looking for bar staff for Tues-
day and Thursday afternoons 12–4pm

**ROAD
CLOSED**

Three Elm Lane Closed for Two Weeks

I don't know about you but I've got the Three Elm Lane closure blues already—three days of 'road closed' signs while the road was actually still open, then today (1st) open, closed, open. Why cause us unnecessary inconvenience?

Blackman's Lane is not affected but let's hope the big HGVs don't use it because it really isn't suitable. The Carpenter's Arms is currently still accessible. The 208 bus is going down Hartlake Road, which means that residents west of The Bell have to get on/off by the Mission Hall.

Drainage works are being carried out in Three Elm Lane to prevent flooding.

Stop Press: Court Lane will be closed from 7am to 7pm on Mon 19 Jun for surface dressing, weather permitting.

Be grateful for any work done now because KCC/TMBC Cllr Matthew Balfour warned us at the Annual Parish Meeting in April that council cutbacks will mean potholes in minor roads may not be mended—be warned!

Hadlow Tower Open Days 13–15, 20–22 June 11am–4pm

It has 175 ft of Gothic splendour, a ground-floor exhibition centre telling its fascinating story, fine views from every floor, even a lift to the 4th floor. Email visitors@hadlowtower.com to book, or turn up at the gate. See www.hadlowtower.com for details.

When the Tower is sold, obviously we don't know what the new owner will do with the interior, so this may be your last chance to see it furnished in Vivat's sympathetic modern Gothic style. Don't miss it!

South East Open Studios 9–25 June

The wealth of artistic talent in our area is astonishing.

In Hadlow alone, seven artists are opening their studios to the public this year—see the [SEOS website](#) or pick up a free brochure for details of where you can meet these gifted people and see their extraordinary work.



RSPB Wildlife Tip for June

Leave an area of your lawn uncut until late summer to create your own mini-meadow. Wildlife will love you for it, and it'll give you a bit of a rest, too. Gardens can be wonderful places for wildlife. It really is easy and cheap to create a mosaic of wildlife-rich areas.

Garden Party

Sun 18 June 2.30–5pm
Kent House Farm, Hatches Lane,
Hadlow TN11 0JS
Adults £5 Children £1
Cream teas, sandwiches, straw-
berries, children's activities

Tickets: Jane Rogers (07803
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GG Women's Institute by Iris Wilson

At our Annual Meeting we welcomed two tellers from East Peckham WI, Jackie and Glynis, and our delegate Val from Cage Green WI, who will be voting for us at the Resolutions Meeting held in Liverpool on 7 June. No volunteers for committee work were forthcoming (surprise?), so the current committee agreed to carry on for another year (yes!!!). They are the backbone of our WI and without them we wouldn't exist, so thank you from our members to President Rosemary B, Rosalind, Pearl and Marion. The rest of us 'do our bit'— as we are so small everyone has a job from making the tea to arranging outings, running the raffle, the book stall etc. If you'd like to join in the fun, do phone our Rosemary; we can always squeeze in some more members/ helpers!

Two resolutions were put forward this year. 'Alleviating loneliness' was the first and we found this a problem, as we don't have the experience or qualifications to advise on this. Visiting for a chat might be helpful to some but others prefer their own company and resent intrusion, so how does one differentiate? We voted against that one.

The second one was 'Plastic soup— keep microplastic fibres out of our oceans'. Were you aware that even washing machines cause a lot of pollution in our oceans? Because so many of our clothes are synthetic, minute bits of fibres break away during washing, which are flushed down the drain, to eventually find their way to the ocean. We are slowly poisoning our marine life and even the seabirds. There was much discussion on this one, especially as it affects future generations. It was unanimously voted for.

At the fete on 25 June, cakes will be welcomed for our stall. We had a meal at The Bell on the 25 May, and we are hosting a walk on the 4 August. The meeting on 21 June will be in Doreen's lovely garden, or in the hall if wet.

For further information about GG WI, please contact our President Rosemary Blackburn on 850812.

What's On in Golden Green?

More info:

Mondays	Zoe's Pilates	Hall	10–11am	771747
Tuesdays	Coffee Morning	Hall	10am	850768
1st Sat month	Suzanne's Craft Workshop	Hall	9.15am-4pm	770906
JUNE				
Sat 3 Jun	Reggae & Caribbean food	Bell	7.30pm	851748
Sat 10 Jun	Live: Crystalate+DJ Sulphur	Bell	8pm	851748
Mon 12 Jun	Bernie's Big Quiz	Bell	8pm	851748
Mon 19 Jun	Bingo!	Hall	8pm	850664
Wed 21 Jun	WI meeting	Hall	7.45pm	850812
Fri 23 Jun	Northern Soul & Motown	Bell	7pm	851748
Sun 25 Jun	GG Summer Fete	Signpost Field	1-4pm	850739
Sun 25 Jun	Holy Communion	Hall	12 noon	850238
Tue 29 Jun	Book Club	Bell	8pm	850329
JULY/AUGUST				
23 Jul	Family Service	Hall	12 noon	850238
Date tbc	Eastbourne Coach Trip			

The Village Pump

* Progress towards getting GG a **speed indication display** (SID) is being made, albeit at a glacial pace (unlike the traffic). Money for *one* has been secured in the KCC budget but no news yet if it'll be fixed or mobile. But we need one at both ends of the hamlet—there seems to be support for funding a second one ourselves, hopefully with a bit of help from HPC?

* Last month there was **broken glass in the Bourne** by Victoria Road bridge, where kids and dogs like to paddle – Jackie Edwards of Goldhill Mill kindly cleared it up but take care in case any was missed

* The **GG book club** next meets on Thu 29 Jun at 8pm, kindly hosted at Goldhill Mill, to discuss *His Bloody Project* by Graeme Macrae Burnet. The July book is *The Peculiar Life of a Lonely Postman* by Denis Theriault

Pierce Mill Farm Soft Fruit

Looking forward to the farm's luscious cherries being available at the end of June, along with strawberries and raspberries—can't wait! There's even [an app](#) for it! Tel Tina (07787523000)

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Bulky refuse lorry & WEEE collection:
Victoria Rd cul-de-sac, Golden Green
Sat 17 Jun 9.15–10.15am
Council meeting: 12 Jun 7.30pm
Old School Hall, Hadlow

GGA Lottery Results:

<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>
£25 P Simmonds	£25 V Easter
£25 J Allen	£25 A Watson
£25 H Rogers	£25 J Anscombe

Hand in items for inclusion in the combined Jul/Aug issue to Anne Waddingham at 13 Sherenden Park (850048) or email gghamlet@outlook.com by 24 Jun. Sign up for the email edition or ask for the paper version if you're not on the circulation list.
Contact Anne (details above) or Alec (850739)