

# THE HAMLET



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The Golden Green Association Newsletter

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## Come to GG's Right Royal Fete! Sun 12 Jun Signpost Field 1-4pm

**The Best Little Fete in Kent is back! Bigger and better than ever before and packed full of Royal Birthday celebrations!**

- ♥ The International Pratts Bag Tandem Race!
  - ♥ Tug-of-war! Coconut shy! Loads of games!
  - ♥ Cream teas, WI cakes, BBQ, beer & soft drinks
  - ♥ Plant stalls, tombola, raffle, bric-a-brac
- ♥ Kids' competitions & the ever-popular Piggy Racing (by Royal Appointment)
- ♥ **Come as a princess, prince, queen or king—prizes for the Prettiest Princess, Handsomest Prince, Best Queen Mum and Best Crown!**

**We need donations** for the tombola, raffle and white elephant and books, games, CDs, DVDs (no VHS). Bring to the field from 11am or drop off/ask for collection (Jo Ivell for tombola: 850291 or Alec Pelmore for the rest: 850739).

If you can't make the fete, contributions are still very welcome!

**We need people** to help with the stalls—meet in The Bell on Tues 7 Jun 8pm

Mostly we need **YOU** to come along and enjoy yourselves!

## Ding Dong! Bell News

Tel 851748

Food now served every day!  
Tue-Sat: 12-5pm pub grub (Mon 3-5)  
7-11pm Indian food from Golden Spice  
(takeaway also available)  
Sunday roasts (bookings only) 1-4pm

## On the Soul Side

Motown, Soul, Northern Soul + DJs  
4 June 8pm

A great evening of the best music!

## Bernie's Big Quiz

Monday 6 June 8.45pm

Join turn up for a fun evening £1 entry

## The Parkas

Modern Mod, Alternative  
Date tbc—coming soon!

## Bat & Trap

Thursday evenings  
New players always welcome  
Contact Alex Donlevy (851753)  
ad13851@hotmail.com

## Mobile Library to Stop

GG's [mobile library service](#) is to end in July, along with over 30 others in the Tonbridge area because they have fewer than two visitors per stop. KCC estimate they will save £150,000/year as a result. If this affects you, and you can't visit a library owing to ill health, disability or your caring responsibilities, the [Home Library Service](#) may be an option. Library staff select suitable materials for you, which are delivered and collected. Read '[Touch a New World](#)' or phone Hadlow Library for more details.



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*What a stunner! Lovely bride Libby Daker and proud mum Linda with stylish headgear. Photo by [Michael Topham](#)*

## Great Season for Bell FC

The Bell team finished an excellent third in the West Kent Sunday League Division 4 with 54 points (compared with last year's 13), behind Paddock Wood (65) and Crowborough (62). Hadlow Utd were sixth with 32. A great result, lads, and keep the goals coming in 2016/17!

## Open Artists' Studios Hadlow & Tonbridge 3-19 Jun

Two Hadlow artists' studios will be open, with 13 more in and around Tonbridge. To discover art on your doorstep, look out for the local art trail posters and paint tube arrows in Hadlow. Directories of 300 artists' studios open throughout Kent and

parts of E Sussex can be found in the library and village shops or [online](#).



## No to GG Housing Sites But Most Hadlow Sites Suitable

TMBC have published their [Interim Sites Assessment](#), whereby sites submitted for consideration for development have been initially assessed for suitability and deliverability.

Both GG sites (in the field behind the hall and another between Signpost Cott's—see Oct/Nov 15 Hamlets) were deemed 'unsuitable for development'. However, 9 of the 13 Hadlow sites and 2 sites in East Peckham were judged to be 'suitable and deliverable'. However, Cllr Howard Rogers, Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure, explains: 'The Interim Sites Assessment is not any indication or guarantee that sites will be included in the Local Plan. Sites having potential at this stage will be subject to public consultation [in September] and will be considered in more detail later in the process when planning merit can be applied.'

## The Golden Green Association Committee

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## GG Women's Institute by Iris Wilson

It's that time of year again when we think of holidays, and we at Golden Green WI are no exception. We were missing quite a few members but we carried on regardless!

Those of us who went on the District Walk on 11 May had a very enjoyable day, with the weather behaving itself.

At our Annual Meeting on May 18 reports from the committee were read out and accepted. We are so lucky at GGWI because our committee and President—who, by the way, do such an excellent job between them and keep our WI running so smoothly—stood again this year. Bless you all! And thank you.

We also made our choice of Resolution to form the basis for the National Federation's WI campaigns and educational activity. This year we chose the care of people in hospitals with dementia.

At our meeting on 15 Jun, we have a demonstration of Flower Arrangements by Gill Catt. This is going to be very interesting, especially for people like me who cannot arrange flowers at all. I usually just put them altogether in a vase, let go and hope they'll fall into place by themselves, so I for one hope to pick up a few tips. Please come along if you also are interested. Doors open at 7.30pm and we finish at about 10pm. You'll be made most welcome at the Mission Hall opposite The Bell.

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

## African Drumming

Monday 20 Jun 7pm

Workshop series for adults at St Mary's, Hadlow. No experience needed—just raw talent! Book for a 'taster' (just £5). Contact Peter 0797 3330698, [online](http://online) or email [rhythms@thedrumcoach.org](mailto:rhythms@thedrumcoach.org)

## GGA Lottery Results: May

£25 Rena Pope

£25 Donald McClennan

£25 Barry Watson

## What's On in Golden Green?

More info:

Mondays	Zoe's Pilates	Hall	10–11am	771747
Tuesdays	Coffee Morning	Hall	10am	850768
JUNE				
Sat 4 Jun	Motown + Soul + DJs	Bell	8pm	851748
Mon 6 Jun	Bernie's Big Quiz	Bell	8.45pm	851748
Tue 7 Jun	Fete Helpers' Meeting	Bell	8pm	850739
Sun 12 Jun	Golden Green Summer Fete	Signpost Field	1-4pm	850739
Wed 15 Jun	WI meeting	Hall	7.45pm	850812
Thu 16 Jun	GG Book Club	Bell	8.00pm	850329
Mon 20 Jun	Bingo!	Hall	8pm	850664
	No service in the Hall this month			
JULY				
Mon 4 Jul	Bernie's Big Quiz	Bell	8.45pm	851748
Sun 17 Jul	Holy Communion	Hall	12 noon	850238

## Village Pump

\* The **GG book club** meets on Thu 16 Jun at 8pm in The Bell to discuss *The Bookseller of Kabul* by Asne Seierstad. The next book will be *The Surgeon of Crowthorne* by Simon Winchester.

\* A Medway View resident had their **phone stolen** from their car parked on their driveway last month—breaking into unlocked cars happens here more often than you think, so please double-check yours is locked!

\* Why have 'Road liable to flooding' signs appeared in **Three Elm Lane** but not in Hartlake Rd, which has a far worse problem?! Money better spent on 30mph signs?

## Hadlow Country Fair

Sun 26 June, 12 noon to 4pm  
Hadlow cricket ground  
[www.hadlowcc.org.uk](http://www.hadlowcc.org.uk)

## Hadlow Village Hall Events

Tickets: [info@hadlowvillagehall.org](mailto:info@hadlowvillagehall.org) or tel Caroline Elcombe 07399 938059.  
Visit Hadlow Village Hall Facebook page for more details & future events

### Summer Ball Saturday 2 July

With a Greek theme—Greek music, food, dancers & dancing. Tickets £15.

### Craft Fair Sunday 16 October

## Parish Council Contacts

Parish Office Tel: 851878

Email: [clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk)

Open Tue & Thu 9.30am–12 noon

Website [www.hadlowpc-kent.org.uk](http://www.hadlowpc-kent.org.uk)

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Ed Bright: 850590

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*Bulky refuse lorry & WEEE collection:*

Victoria Rd, GG 18 Jun 9.30–10.30am

*Next council meeting:* 13 Jun 7.30pm

Old School Hall, Hadlow

## Hadlow Tower Open

Despite being on the market, the tower will be open to the public again this summer on Thursdays.

Please see [hadlowtower.com](http://hadlowtower.com) for ticketing details or just turn up at the gate.

This may be your last chance to visit!

Hand in items for inclusion in the next issue to Anne Waddingham at 13 Sherenden Park (850048) or email [gghamlet@outlook.com](mailto:gghamlet@outlook.com) by 25 Jun.

Sign up for the email edition or ask for the paper version if you're not on the circulation list.

Please tell us if you have a new neighbour so that we can be sure they get the newsletters. Contact Anne (details above) or Alec (850739).