

# THE HAMLETT



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## There But Not There



There has been enthusiastic support for the purchase of one of the life-size aluminium Tommy silhouettes to commemorate the men from Golden Green who lost their lives in the Great War. It will be installed either at the village

sign or at the Mission Hall—the final location has not yet been decided.

Thanks to Hadlow historian Roger Stanley who has come up with the following information about those with links to GG—do you know of any others? (The GG connection, mostly the parents' abode, is given at the end.)

## Council Recycling Proposals

*Anne Waddingham writes:* There are changes afoot in 2019 for our recycling services in Tonbridge & Malling.

- \* There will be a new *weekly* food waste collection (caddy provided).
- \* The green-lidded bin collection will continue on alternate weeks but will consist of dry recyclables: plastics, metals, cartons and glass.
- \* Paper and cardboard will be collected in the separate green box.
- \* The black-lidded bin for non-recyclables will still be collected fortnightly and taken to the energy-from-waste incinerator in Allington.
- \* A new brown-lidded wheelie bin for garden waste will be collected fortnightly *but* we'll have to opt in to this service and pay a small annual fee.

It's certainly welcome to have kerbside collection of plastic, glass and metal, something TMBC have been behind in achieving compared with many other

- \* Pvt **George Green** Queen's Royal West Rgt, killed in action (KIA) 8/8/1918 (age 21) Hartlake Cottages
  - \* Pvt **John Hatcher** Royal Sussex Rgt, KIA 23/11/1917 (22) Gammons Land, Hadlow Place
  - \* 2nd Lt **Rolf Darab Kennedy** RAF, KIA 27/3/1918 (19) Goldhill House
  - \* Sapper **William May** Royal Engineers, died of malaria in Lebanon 14/11/1918 (37 or 41) Titheward
  - \* **George Thomas Sharpe**—two possibilities—Canadian Infantry or Lancashire Fusiliers, 6/9/1917 or 11/11/1918 (unknown) Kelcher's Lane
  - \* Pvt **George Smith** Agric. Co. Labour Corps, died 1/11/1918 (19) Hayes Cott
  - \* Trooper **Henry Taylor** Life Guards, KIA 19/5/1918 (22) Barnes Place
  - \* Lance Bombadier **Amos Lewis Singer** Royal Garrison Artillery, died 18/10/1918 (about 25)
- The Bell has a poignant display of Perspex Tommies and WWI memorabilia.

councils nationwide. It should boost recycling and hopefully mean an end to the depressing sight of overflowing containers in Sainsbury's car park.

But is the annual garden waste charge 'to fund the changes' justified? Don't the councils make money from selling the compost they generate from our green waste? And let's hope the fee doesn't result in mounds of perennial weeds and non-native plants being dumped in the countryside. (At least it's biodegradable, unlike fly-tipped fridges and sofas!) Councillors have agreed the proposals, which are now out to tender. They will be implemented next year.

## 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



**New delicious menu 1pm-9pm**  
Freshly cooked pizzas, eat in/take away

### FA Cup Final Live

**Sat 19 May 5.30pm**

### Bingo @ The Bell

**25 May 7.30pm**

and every last Friday monthly  
Cash prizes to be won!

### Bernie's Big Quiz

**Mon 4 June 8pm**

All welcome. £3 Entry fee

### Every Saturday

Free juke box and pool

Pizzas—buy one get second half price

### Red Tooth Poker

**Tuesdays 7.30pm**

Free to enter and play

[Facebook/BellInnGoldenGreen](https://www.facebook.com/BellInnGoldenGreen)

New opening hours on Mondays:  
12 noon

## Bacchus Wind Orchestra

### Free Concert

**Sun 20 May 3pm**

**St Mary's Church, Hadlow**

Enjoy an afternoon of bandstand-style music featuring several of the Last Night of the Proms favourites, with tea and cakes in the interval. Retiring collection in aid of the church and band funds. Alec & Pat Pelmore will be playing and would welcome your support.

## Plant Sale & Coffee Morning Bring & Buy Sale and Raffle

**Wed 16 May 10:30am-12:30pm**  
**28 Old Road, East Peckham**

In support of the East Peckham & Golden Green  
Branch Conservative Association



## The Golden Green Association Committee

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### GG Women's Institute by Iris Wilson

In a quiet spot, tucked away in a tranquil setting in Maidstone you will find a surprise. Behind the Blackthorn Medical Centre on St Andrew's Road is a hidden sanctuary. Founded over 30 years ago by Dr David McGavin, there is a large biodynamic garden, a vegetarian café and kitchen, craft studios and therapy rooms. This is the Blackthorn Trust, which caters for people with mental health problems, chronic pain and type 2 diabetes.

At the Trust, they believe not so much in medication to alleviate problems but more along the lines of the therapeutic approach. Those who come to Blackthorn are individually assessed as to their own needs, which could be learning to cook in the kitchen or working in the garden, helping in the café or trying their talents at woodwork. Each person is paired with a mentor who guides them during their stay so that when they leave Blackthorn they are well prepared for the outside world.

The Trust is transforming the site's entrance by building a community physic garden, with raised beds for those with restricted mobility. The Mayor of Maidstone, Cllr Malcolm Greer, is supporting this enterprise and helping to raise funds during his year in office. When finished, Blackthorn Trust hope it will be used by the whole community.

Our 'outings' member is hoping to arrange a visit the Trust in the near future with lunch at the café after a stroll round the site.

Recently some of our members went to the Hazlett theatre to see *Guys & Dolls* and thoroughly enjoyed themselves; the next trip is to Canterbury to see *Calendar Girls*.

We welcome new member Carol to our WI and hope that she will enjoy our company and have a happy time with us. I have heard rumours that she may volunteer as Drama rep. if I'm correct, and she has shown an interest in forming a choir. Good on you Carol but I ➡

### What's On in Golden Green?

More info:

Mondays	Zoe's Pilates	Hall	10-11am	771747
Mondays	Natalie's Body Blast	Hall	7.30-8.30pm	07714 429792
Tuesdays	Coffee Morning	Hall	10am	850768
Tuesdays	Colin's Art Group	Hall	8-10pm	464187
1st Sat month	Suzanne's Scrapbooking	Hall	9.15am-4pm	770906
MAY				
Thu 3 May	Book Club	Bell	8pm	850329
Wed 16 May	WI meeting (members only)	Hall	7.45pm	850812
Sat 19 May	FA Cup Final Live on TV	Bell	5.30pm	851748
Mon 21 May	Bingo!	Hall	8pm	850768
Fri 25 May	Bingo @ The Bell	Bell	7.30pm	851748
Sun 27 May	Holy Communion	Hall	12 noon	850238
JUNE				
Mon 4 Jun	Bernie's Big Quiz	Bell	8pm	220811
Sun 24 Jun	Golden Green Summer Fete	Signpost Field	1-4pm	850739

#### WI Report continued

think you should be aware that we are not known for our singing voices!

Next month is our Annual and Resolutions evening, where we will discuss and vote on the resolution to be put forward. This correlates with our recent speaker, as it is about mental health and the need to remove the stigma associated with talking about it. As this is an annual meeting it will be for members only.

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

### The Village Pump

\* TMBC say **waste collections** over the weeks of the May and August bank holidays will be as normal, so put out your bins on the usual days.

\* Important date for your diary! Our **Summer Fete** is on Sunday 24 June from 1pm to 4pm in Signpost Field (where the playground is). All the usual attractions—don't miss it!

### GGA Lottery Results

<i>March</i>	<i>April</i>
£25 Mike Hibbs	£25 Wendy Gardner
£25 Rob Seall	£25 Emma Weare
£25 Sally Weare	£25 Claire Crane

### Parish Council Contacts

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*Bulky refuse lorry & WEEE collection:*

Victoria Rd, GG 19 May 9.15-10.15am

*Next council meeting:* 9 May 7.30pm

Old School Hall, Hadlow.

**Hospital Car Service:** Mike (852564)

### Borough Council Surgeries

Hadlow & East Peckham ward (inc. GG)

Cllrs *Howard Rogers, Janet Sergison*

and *Jill Anderson*. Surgeries in St

Mary's Church 19 May, 14 Jul, 15 Sep,

17 Nov, all at 10-11.30am

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 24 May.

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