

THE HAMLET



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The Golden Green Association Newsletter

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Golden Green Annual Fish & Chips Challenge!

**Saturday 23 Feb
7 for 7.30pm Mission Hall**

£7.50 per person including fish & chip supper (or chicken/sausage—please say when you book)

Bring your own drinks/nibbles and a raffle prize

Teams up to 8 maximum. If you don't have a team, you can join another on the night

Tickets going fast! Book now to avoid disappointment

Contact Anne

gghamlet@outlook.com

or tel 850048

Defibrillator Training

**Saturday 9 February 10am
Mission Hall, Golden Green**

We have been offered training in the use of the defibrillator, at no charge, by a local resident Graeme Samuels, who has worked for the Fire Service for 16 years, currently in the training team, where he teaches fire-fighter skills. His expertise speaks for itself and we are lucky—and very grateful—to be able to benefit from his knowledge and experience. We hope that as many as possible of the GG residents will take this opportunity in a relaxed and informal setting to find out when and how to use a defibrillator. For those who want to get 'hands on', please wear comfortable clothing (trousers?) or bring a kneeler. Please do come along as it's always best to know what to do—and it's really very simple. Contact Jane to book a place: gjanerogers@aol.com; tel 850329. Refreshments provided.

Stop More Quarrying in Golden Green

Resident *Alan Chilvers* writes: The proposed extension to Stonecastle Farm Quarry and a new quarry at neighbouring Moat Farm will affect nearly 200 acres of some of Kent's finest Green Belt land, extending from Hartlake Bridge, Oak Weir, Sherenden Lane, all the way to Five Oak Green and Whetstead, Paddock Wood. We will be surrounded by quarries that will affect us all: a substantial increase in HGV traffic, dust, noise, air and light pollution, loss of wildlife, further flood risk,

loss of public footpaths and affecting property values within the area.

It really is important that our community responds to this public consultation with robust objections by midnight on **Fri 8 March**. You can find the consultation documents and the official forms [here](#) (scroll to the bottom of the web page to see five links that have details of the consultation and the representations forms). I know that KCC prefer people to use these online forms but clearly this is not practical for everyone, and during last year's initial consultation, KCC accepted responses sent directly to mwlp@kent.gov.uk or posted to Minerals and Waste Planning Policy, 1st Floor, Invicta House, Maidstone ME14 1XX. Come to the meeting with Tom Tugendhat on 8 Feb 3-5pm in the Mission Hall to find out more and to get an update. Visit keepkent.green

Quarry Extension Meeting with Tom Tugendhat

**Friday 8 February 3-5pm
Mission Hall, Golden Green**

Please attend this meeting with our MP Tom Tugendhat to discuss the concerns we have regarding the latest quarry proposals and how these will affect our community in the future.

The Bell News

Lee & Sammie
Tel 851748

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



Delicious menu 1pm-9pm

Freshly cooked pizzas
Eat in/take away

Coming soon! Thai street food will be here in our kitchen, serving up some of the best Thai food just for you!

Open Mic Night

Friday 1 February 8pm

All budding musicians, poets, comics etc. come along and show us what you've got!

**BernieCathy's Big Quiz
Monday 4 February 7.45pm**

All welcome. £3 Entry fee
Cash prize

**Reggae/Ska/Rocksteady
Saturday 16 March**

hosted by Sabotage Sounds
7.30pm till late

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for news of events, live music etc!
[Facebook/BellInnGoldenGreen](https://www.facebook.com/BellInnGoldenGreen)



*Some clearly satisfied customers at GG's annual retirees' lunch last month!
Photo by Janet Sergison*

The Golden Green Association Committee

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GG Women's Institute by Iris Wilson



Golden Green WI Christmas party

2019 looks like being a very busy and interesting year for us and we start the new year with 16 members. I think one could say that we are a small, cosy WI! Always busy with crafts, outings and visiting neighbouring WIs for their birthday celebrations etc., we have a full schedule every year.

With all our members present in December we posed for a photo for our scrapbook (above). Luckily you can't see that some of us have flushed cheeks—it must have been the fairy lights—or was it the mulled wine?!

Thanks to Marion, we have an interesting programme lined up, and outings are in the 'pipeline', organised by Kate and Diane.

With an earlier than usual meeting last December and our break in January, we have a lot of catching up to do when we next meet on Wednesday 20 February. Our speaker for that night is Bob Appleton, his subject being 'Old Hong Kong'.

We'd like to welcome anyone who is interested in the subject to come along and to join us for refreshments in the interval. As a visitor the cost is just £4 for the evening; we'd love to see you.

We meet at the Mission Hall in Golden Green (opposite the pub) and the doors open at 7.30pm. The meeting lasts about two and a half hours.

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
Tuesdays	FABS Fitness for Older Adults	Hall	12-30-1.30pm	07941 345001
Tuesdays	Colin's Art Group	Hall	8-10pm	464187
1st Sat month	Suzanne's Scrapbooking	Hall	9.15am-4pm	770906
FEBRUARY & MARCH				
Fri 1 Feb	Bell Inn Open Mic Night	Bell	8pm	851748
Mon 4 Feb	BernieCathy's Big Quiz	Bell	7.45pm	220811
Mon 18 Feb	Bingo!	Hall	8pm	850768
Wed 20 Feb	WI meeting	Hall	7.45pm	850812
Wed 20 Feb	GG Book Club	Bell	8pm	850329
Sat 23 Feb	Fish & Chip Challenge Quiz Night	Hall	7.30pm	850048
Sun 24 Feb	Holy Communion	Hall	12 noon	850238
Mon 4 Mar	Bernie's Big Quiz	Bell	7.45pm	220811
Sat 16 Mar	Music Night (reggae, ska)	Bell	7.30pm	851748

The Village Pump

* The **Book Club's** choice is *Some-where Towards the End* by Diana Athill. Meet in The Bell on 20 Feb 8pm

* The **GG Summer Fete** date has been changed from 23rd to **30th Jun**

* Our annual **Spring Clean** will be on Sat 6 Apr. Details to follow or see FB

* Do we need a 'royal' to have an accident in our hamlet before we get a **speed indicator sign**? Still waiting

* Fancy being a **parish councillor**? Meeting 6 Feb 7pm at TMBC offices

Calling GG businesses!

If your business is located in GG, advertise now on the Local Businesses page of the Hadlow Parish Council website. Send details and relevant copy to Jane who runs the site (jane@gelcreative.co.uk)

Snow Clearance

If you need help with clearing snow, please contact one of your parish or borough councillors

GGA Lottery

Act quickly and you may still be in time to buy some of the few remaining numbers for the 2019 GG Lottery. Contact Alec Pelmore (850739)

Parish Council Contacts

Parish Office Tel: 851878

Email: clerk@hadlowpc.co.uk

Open Tue & Thu 9.30am–12 noon

Website www.hadlowpc-kent.org.uk

Golden Green Councillors:

Nick Collins: 850968

nicolins@btinternet.com

Ed Bright: 850590

ed.bright@talk21.com

Bulky refuse lorry & WEEE collection:
Victoria Rd cul-de-sac 16 Feb, 9.15–10.15am

Next council meeting: 11 Feb, 7.30pm, Old School Hall, Hadlow

Next Borough Councillors' Surgery:
16 Mar, St Mary's Church, 10-11.30am

Hospital Car Service

If you need transport to a hospital or medical appointment, please contact Mike Harvey on 01732 852564

Hand in items for inclusion in the next issue to Anne Waddingham 13 Sherenden Park (850048) or email gghamlet@outlook.com by 18 Feb.

Subscribers' names and addresses and, where relevant, email addresses are held only for the purpose of distributing the newsletters. To sign up for the email edition or paper version, or to stop receiving them, contact Anne (details above) or Alec (850739). Please tell us if you have a new neighbour so we can update our list.



The Little Village People

Every
Thursday
9.30-11.30

Come and try out our parent and toddler group, all bumps, babies, toddlers and their parents or carers * welcome, to come and play and meet new people.

The group features free play in the lovely large hall and a different planned messy play, art or sensory activity each week.

Tea and coffee available 50p

Entry £1.00 per adult



Hy -arts centre Williams Field Hadlow
for more information call Lorraine on
07927282129

MAKE A CHANGE, BECOME A LOCAL COUNCILLOR

Hadlow Parish Council is calling on residents passionate about their community to stand in the local elections in 2019.

For further information about standing as a Candidate please visit <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/local-elections-in-england>;

There will be a briefing for all prospective Candidates and Agents on Wednesday 6 February 2019 at 7pm: Civic Suite, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill

A Brighter Future

90 minute workshops to help your life after loss

Loss is the
feeling of
grief after
losing
someone
or
something
of value



West Kent Mind are offering a FREE 90 minute workshop for people who want to help deal with loss in Tonbridge, Sevenoaks & Tunbridge Wells.

This may include the loss of a loved one, the loss of employment, a home, your mobility or a pet.

To find out more or to book your place please visit:

www.westkentmind.org.uk/loss or call 01732 744950