

## **HAMSTEAD MARSHALL**

### **A-Z guide to services in and near the village**

#### **ACCOUNTANTS**

GMC Associates (Gill Cook ACA), Park Lane, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0HL  
07867 801218 [gmc@gmc121.co.uk](mailto:gmc@gmc121.co.uk).

#### **BROADBAND**

**Gigaclear** <https://www.gigaclear.com> delivers fibre-to-the-household for most of Hamstead Marshall.

##### **Alternatives:**

Most houses in Hamstead Marshall with an 01488 telephone number are unable to receive broadband by BT landline, because the houses are more than 5km (by cable distance) from the telephone exchange. Most can however pick up a 4G broadband signal by using a high-gain, roof-mounted antenna, linked to a router with an express card.

#### **BUSES**

Newbury Buses no 13 service runs along the Kintbury Road between Newbury, Inkpen and Hungerford.

Check [www.reading-buses.co.uk/kennections](http://www.reading-buses.co.uk/kennections) for the current timetable.

#### **CHIMNEY SWEEP**

**Howard the Sweep**

[trevor@howardthesweep.co.uk](mailto:trevor@howardthesweep.co.uk) 07531 277668, 01635 202262

#### **CHURCHES**

##### **Anglican**

[St Mary's Church](#) stands on upon a hill in the north of the parish, overlooking the river Kennet.

The ecclesiastical parish of Hamstead Marshall is part of a united benefice which also includes Enborne, West Woodhay, Inkpen, Kintbury and Combe.

([www.walburybeaconbenefice.org.uk](http://www.walburybeaconbenefice.org.uk)), served by one rector, who lives in Kintbury, supported by associate priests.

Priest-in-charge: Rev Mark Wilson

Associate priests:

Rev Sue Webster 01635 32708, 07747 391291

Rev Matthew Cookson 01488 669043

Jenny Veasey

**Church contact:** John Stevenson 07775 521704

##### **Roman Catholic**

The nearest Roman Catholic church is **St Francis de Sales** in Wash Common. There are also Catholic churches in Newbury (**St Joseph's**) and Hungerford.

#### **CIRCLE OF FRIENDS (ladies' group)**

The group meets usually on the first Thursday of the month in the village hall at 7.00pm, usually to hear an arranged talk, but sometimes to have an outing or a local walk. There is no membership as such – anyone is welcome to come, and to bring a friend. The entrance fee of £3.00 covers tea/coffee and the raffle. If you would like to know more, look for details on parish noticeboards,

[www.hamsteadmarshall.net/whatson.htm](http://www.hamsteadmarshall.net/whatson.htm), in the *Hamstead Hornet* or contact Sue Watts: 01488 658932 or [soosy.watts@gmail.com](mailto:soosy.watts@gmail.com)

## COMMUNITY MARKET

Hamstead Marshall & Enborne Community Market is held on the second Saturday of each month, usually from 10am until 1pm at the village hall in Park Lane. There are larger special markets held at Elm Farm in mid-summer and at Christmas.

Stalls vary, but they usually include home-made cakes & pastries, eggs, bakery, refreshments, secondhand books, sometimes cheese – and the chance to meet your neighbours. The summer and Christmas markets are bigger, and feature gifts and crafts.

For further information or to book a stall, call 01488 658932 or 658168.

## COMPUTER HELP

**Crossplatform:** Patrick Rogers <http://www.crossplatform-it.co.uk>  
07920 168996 or 01635 226116

## DOGS

Dog and puppy training classes are on offer at the village hall. See details on [www.hamsteadmarshall.net/social-life/whats-on](http://www.hamsteadmarshall.net/social-life/whats-on).

**Dogs' Trust Newbury**, Plumb's Farm, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0HR  
01488 658391 (rehoming of abandoned and unwanted dogs).

**Enborne Kennels and Cattery**, Enborne Street, Enborne RG20 0JP  
01635 253288.

**Fraser** (gun dog breeding and training) Old Post Office, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0HW.

## FISH AND CHIPS

A mobile fish and chip van (**Flippers**) calls at Ash Tree Grove every Monday at 6.45pm.

## GARDEN SERVICES

**Penwood Nurseries**, The Drove, Penwood, Highclere RG20 9EW  
01635 254366 [webmail@penwoodnurseries.co.uk](mailto:webmail@penwoodnurseries.co.uk)

**Yew Tree Garden Centre**, Ball Hill, East Woodhay, Hants RG20 0NG  
01635 255250 [www.yewtreegc.co.uk](http://www.yewtreegc.co.uk)

**Fairoak Machinery** (same place as Yew Tree) 01635 244533.

## Enborne & Hamstead Marshall Garden Society

was re-created in 1984 from a society whose origins go back to 1910. Members (and guests) meet four times a year, usually on a Wednesday evening:

- in spring (end of March or early April) either at a garden centre or in the village hall to hear a talk;
- in summer (end of June or first week in July) usually as an evening visit to an interesting private garden;
- in autumn for the **AGM, wine & cheese and quiz evening**;
- and in December for a Christmas-themed talk.

Details of meetings are mailed to members, and are also posted [online](#).

New members are always welcome. The annual subscription is £5 per individual, payable on 1 January each year, and it entitles the member to certain garden centre discounts. Contact Penelope Lake (19 Glendale Avenue, Wash Common, 01635 48701).

## HAMSTEAD HORNET

The *Hamstead Hornet* is an independent, privately owned newsletter which comes out each March, June, September and December. It is published [online](#), and anyone may ask to be added to the email list which notifies readers and links to each issue as it

becomes available. The *Hornet* does not take adverts, but the editor is always pleased to hear about parish news [admin@hamsteadmarshall.net](mailto:admin@hamsteadmarshall.net).

## **HEALTH CARE**

### **West Berkshire Community Hospital**

London Road, Thatcham RG18 3AS  
01635 273500  
Minor Injuries Unit open 08.00-22.00 daily

*nearest A&E*

### **Royal Berkshire Hospital**

London Road, Reading RG1 5AN  
0118 322 5111 [www.royalberkshire.nhs.uk](http://www.royalberkshire.nhs.uk)  
or

### **The Great Western Hospital**

Marlborough Road, Swindon, Wilts SN3 6BB  
01793 604020

***NHS GP surgeries which normally accept new patients from Hamstead Marshall:***

### **Falkland Surgery**

Monks Lane, Newbury RG14 7DF  
01635 279972 [www.falklandsurgery.co.uk](http://www.falklandsurgery.co.uk)

### **Eastfield House Surgery, Dr Weller and partners**

6 St John's Road, Newbury RG14 7LW  
01635 41495 or 522751

### **Kintbury Surgery**

Newbury Street, Kintbury RG17 9UX  
01488 658294

***For GP out-of-hours services dial 111 NHS Direct***

### ***NHS dentistry***

#### **ADP Dental Surgery**

32b Fairview Rd, Hungerford RG17 0BN  
01488 686309

#### **Dental Surgery**

95 High Street, Hungerford RG17 0NB  
01488 684142

#### **Baldev's Dental Care**

2 St Johns Rd, Newbury RG14 7LX  
01635 49999

## **HORSES**

**Morewood Estate**, Hamstead Marshall, RG20 0HD (DIY livery)

[Holtwood Stables](#), Sandra McDermott, Holtwood Farm, Watery Lane, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0JH 07788 775854 (riding activities).

**Organisation of Horsebox & Trailer Owners (OHTO)** Whitehill Farm, Hamstead

Marshall RG20 0HP 01488 657651 [www.horsebox-rescue.co.uk](http://www.horsebox-rescue.co.uk) (breakdown assistance for members)

**W&S Lamperd Services Ltd**, White Hart Stables, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0HW  
07812 193747 [www.whitehartstables.com](http://www.whitehartstables.com) (training horses and riders)

**Enborne Equestrian** [www.enborneequestrian.co.uk](http://www.enborneequestrian.co.uk) 07929 873071  
(riding lessons, hacking, livery, horse sales and horse shows)

### **MEMBER(S) OF PARLIAMENT(S) FOR HAMSTEAD MARSHALL**

House of Commons UK constituency: Newbury. MP **Richard Benyon** (Con)  
local office on 01635 551070; House of Commons office on 0207 219 8319  
[www.RichardBenyon.com](http://www.RichardBenyon.com) [BenyonR@parliament.uk](mailto:BenyonR@parliament.uk)

European Parliament UK constituency: South East. See  
[www.europarl.org.uk/uk\\_meps/MembersMain.htm](http://www.europarl.org.uk/uk_meps/MembersMain.htm) for details of the MEPs

### **MILK DELIVERIES**

**H J & A J Whiting**, Dodds Farm, Burghclere, Hants  
01635 278206

### **MOBILE LIBRARY**

visits Hamstead Marshall every third Thursday at  
the village hall 10.20 - 11.00am

For dates see the [what's on calendar](#) ring 01635 519827 or email  
[NewburyLibrary@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:NewburyLibrary@westberks.gov.uk) quoting D route.

### **MUSIC TUITION**

**Jamie Ryder-Phillips**, drum lessons for children and teenagers, all grades, two drum  
kits, after school, weekends, holidays 01488 758731, 07917 123336

**Viv Toll** at The Barn House, Watery Lane, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0JH  
01635 253072  
(piano tuition at all levels)

### **NEWSLETTERS AND WHAT'S ON INFO**

See *Hamstead Hornet* under **H**

Also see [Pennypost](#): community news and events calendar for West Berks and east  
Wilts. You can sign up to receive a weekly email digest of local news and events

[The Breeze](#) (Newbury's radio station)

### **NEWSPAPERS**

Daily deliveries are made by Rob McGregor 07766 316486.

### **OIL BUYING GROUP**

Lanie Allen runs an oil buying group which now has about 400 members in the villages  
around Hamstead Marshall, including Enborne, Kintbury, Inkpen, West Woodhay, East  
Woodhay, Ball Hill, East End, Wash Water, Woolton Hill, Penwood and Highclere. Bulk-  
buying can achieve significant price savings. Members supply their details and  
requirements to Lanie, who orders monthly, having rung round the oil companies to get  
the best price each time. Members pay their own bills directly to the company that  
delivers to them. A charge of £10 a year to group members is payable to Lanie to cover  
admin costs.

01488 658168 or [laonee@btopenworld.com](mailto:laonee@btopenworld.com)

## **OIL PAINTING CLASSES**

for all levels are held in Hamstead Marshall village hall on Monday afternoons. New learners are welcome. Pupils provide their own art materials, but can take a trial lesson with materials provided if wished. Further details from **Chris Turner** on **01488 658587**

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

*Members:*

John Handy

10 Salters, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0HH

01635 254800 [john@jphandy-forestry.com](mailto:john@jphandy-forestry.com)

Peter Benest

Little Farm, Holtwood, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0JH

01635 253627 [peterbenest@newburyweb.net](mailto:peterbenest@newburyweb.net)

Stuart Morton

Elm View, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0HW

01488 657465 [stuarttmorton@googlemail.com](mailto:stuarttmorton@googlemail.com)

Anne Budd

8 Ash Tree Grove, Hamstead Marshall, Newbury RG20 0HJ

01488 657022 [anne.budd1@btinternet.com](mailto:anne.budd1@btinternet.com)

*parish clerk*

**Sarah Bosley** [parish\\_clerk@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:parish_clerk@hotmail.co.uk)

Meetings usually take place on the third Monday of January, March, May (the annual parish assembly), July, September and November in the village hall. Details are published [online](#) and parish noticeboards. All residents are welcome to attend. Any parishioner who is concerned about a local issue may ask any councillor or the parish clerk for the matter to be raised at a council meeting.

## **PARISH PLAN**

Hamstead Marshall's Parish Plan is currently under revision. The team involved consists of:

Jane Arnold-Round 01635 36370

Anne Budd 01488 657022

Hallam Goad 07597 127801

Nick Wallis 07747 792549

Sue Watts 01488 658932

The first parish plan was adopted by West Berkshire Council in 2007, since when many of its planned actions have been completed, thanks to funding from a variety of sources such as WBC, Vibrant Villages, Greenham Trust and North Wessex Downs AONB. The plan can be read in full [online](#).

The Village Design Statement (VDS) is a separate document defining the character of the village for the purposes of future planning. It was drawn up in consultation with village residents over two years, and was adopted by WBC in August 2009. The VDS can be read in full [online](#).

## **POLICE**

Hamstead Marshall is part of Thames Valley Police, Hungerford area.

Hungerford no longer has a police station.

Newbury police station is at Mill Lane, Newbury RG14 5QU.

Open 8am to 10pm daily, except for Christmas Day.

Contact the neighbourhood police team

[HungerfordandDownlandsNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:HungerfordandDownlandsNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk)

For all non-emergencies (or to verify that a caller at your door is the police as s/he claims) ring 101. In emergency ring 999.

If you want to report something anonymously ring Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

The police and crime commissioner for Thames Valley Police is Anthony Stansfeld, who is also one of the two West Berkshire councillors representing Hamstead Marshall.

## **POST OFFICES**

**Kintbury Corner Stores** 01488 658358

**Stockcross Post Office Stores** 01488 657602

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MARKETING CONSULTANCY**

**Avril Chaffey** MCIPR, 5 The Village Hamstead Marshall, RG20 0HN

01488 657115 [avril.chaffey@btinternet.com](mailto:avril.chaffey@btinternet.com)

## **PUBS/RESTAURANTS**

**The White Hart Inn** RG20 0HW 01488 657545.

**Craven Arms**, Enborne RG20 0HG 01635 253336

**Red House**, Marsh Benham RG20 8LY 01635 582017

**Dundas Arms**, 53 Station Rd, Kintbury RG17 9UT

01488 658263 [www.dundasarms.co.uk](http://www.dundasarms.co.uk)

**Furze Bush**, Ball Hill, East Woodhay, Hants RG20 0NQ

01635 253228 [www.furzebushinn.co.uk](http://www.furzebushinn.co.uk)

## **RUBBISH**

Wheelie bins are emptied by West Berks Council on Monday mornings, alternating weekly between the green bins for compostable waste, and the black bins for general waste.

Food waste in compostable bags should be put out in the green wheelie bin.

Garden waste collection (green wheelie bin) now requires payment of £50pa to WBC.

Recycling baskets for paper, card, glass, plastic bottles and cans, and the green bin, are emptied every other Monday.

The council will collect bulky domestic rubbish from householders on request.

See also *Unwanted household goods* below.

For a leaflet on recycling, or information about the tip at Sandleford ring Streetcare on 01635 519080 or email [streetcare@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:streetcare@westberks.gov.uk).

**Streetcare** (see above) is also the agency to which flytipping, litter, abandoned cars, potholes and road obstructions should be reported.

## **SHOPS**

**Kintbury Corner Stores**, The Square, Kintbury 01488 658358

**Stockcross Post Office Stores**, B4000, Stockcross 01488 657602

**Ball Hill Convenience Store** (formerly the Old Bakery) RG20 0NU 01635 255111

## **UNWANTED HOUSEHOLD GOODS**

Furniture, bedding, curtains, kitchen stuff, baby equipment, gardening equipment, CDs DVDs, household ornaments, even electrical goods (but not gas): if they are usable they can be sold to people in need by **Newbury Community Furniture Project** (charity). Deliver yourself or arrange collection. 01635 43933  
[www.cfpnewbury.org/donateus.php](http://www.cfpnewbury.org/donateus.php)

### **VEG BOXES**

Order a weekly organic veg box from Harroway Organics. Orders are placed through ORC Elm Farm (01488 658298) and paid for by Tuesdays. Delivery is to Elm Farm for collection on Thursdays usually after 11am.

### **VETS**

**Falkland Veterinary Clinic**, 214 Newtown Rd, Newbury RG14 7ED  
01635 46565

**Small Animal Vets**, The Coach House, Burlins, East Woodhay RG20 0NU  
01635 528017

### **VILLAGE HALL**

The village hall and the recreation field alongside hold a wide variety of public social events such as the Bonfire Night Party, dog-training classes, keep-fit classes and the Circle of Friends. It is also available for private hire. See details [online](#) or contact Sue Watts on 01488 658932.

### **WALKS**

Several walks of varying lengths in and around the village can be seen on [www.hamsteadmarshall.net/getting-around/local-walks](http://www.hamsteadmarshall.net/getting-around/local-walks).

### **WEST BERKSHIRE COUNCIL**

Hamstead Marshall is represented as part of Kintbury Ward by **James Cole** (Con) [jcole@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:jcole@westberks.gov.uk) and **Anthony Stansfeld** (Con) [astansfeld@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:astansfeld@westberks.gov.uk).

Anthony Stansfeld is also police and crime commissioner for Thames Valley Police.

### **WEBSITE**

Almost everything you could want to know about the village – what's on, walks, activities, services, facilities, topography, history etc – is detailed on [www.hamsteadmarshall.net](http://www.hamsteadmarshall.net).

### **YOGA, REFLEXOLOGY, AQUA-DETOX, MEDITATION, MASSAGE**

**Inga Craven**, 25 Chapel Corner, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0HR 01488 658744

#### **Neeta Madahar**

Hatha Flow and Chair Yoga classes and Natural Breath Awareness meditation

[www.neetamadahar-yoga.com](http://www.neetamadahar-yoga.com); [neeta.madahar@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:neeta.madahar@yahoo.co.uk)

#### **Julie Evans**

Thai Foot Massage, Eastern Facial Massage, Indian Head Massage, Back, Neck and Shoulders Massage, Holistic Full Body Massage

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