

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.

BROADBAND

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

BUSES

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

Check www.reading-buses.co.uk/kennections for the current timetable.

CHIMNEY SWEEP

Howard the Sweep

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), served by one rector, who lives in Kintbury, supported by associate priests.

Priest-in-charge: Rev Mark Wilson

Associate priests:

Rev Matthew Cookson 01488 669043

Jenny Veasey

Church contact: Johnny 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, in the *Hamstead Hornet* or contact Sue Watts: 01488 658932 or 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.

Stalls vary, but they usually include home-made cakes & pastries, eggs, bakery, refreshments, secondhand books, sometimes cheese – and the chance to meet your neighbours.

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.

Dogs' Trust Newbury, Plumb's Farm, Hamstead Marshall RG20 0HR
01488 658391 (rehomeing 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.

Yew Tree Garden Centre, Ball Hill, East Woodhay, Hants RG20 0NG
01635 255250 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.

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
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

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 (breakdown assistance for members)

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

Enborne Equestrian 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 **Laura Farris** (Con)

https://twitter.com/laura_farris?lang=en

European Parliament UK constituency: South East. See

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
Ash Tree Corner 10.20 - 11.00am

For dates see the [what's on calendar](#) ring 01635 519827 or email

NewburyLibrary@westberks.gov.uk quoting D route.

Book deliveries also available direct to the homes of housebound people,

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 OJH

01635 253073

(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.

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.

OIL PAINTING CLASSES

for all levels are held in Hamstead Marshall village hall on Monday afternoons. New learners are welcome. Further details from **Chris Turner** on **01488 658587**.

PARISH COUNCIL

Members:

John Handy

10 Salters, Hamstead Marshall RG20 OHH

01635 254800 john@jphandy-forestry.com

Peter Benest
Little Farm, Holtwood, Hamstead Marshall RG20 OJH
01635 253627 peterbenest@newburyweb.net

Anne Budd
8 Ash Tree Grove, Hamstead Marshall, Newbury RG20 OHJ
01488 657022 anne.budd1@btinternet.com

Susie Aromando
White Hart Cottage, RG20 OHW

Rob Manser
Chapel Cottage RG20 OHP
07827 015196 robmanser@hotmail.com

parish clerk
Sarah Bosley parish_clerk@hotmail.co.uk

Meetings usually take place on the third Thursday 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 has been revised in draft, and awaits approval from WBC. 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

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.

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.

PUBS/RESTAURANTS

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

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

01635 253228 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.

Textile waste will be collected for recycling if left out labelled.

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.

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 <https://www.n-c-r-c.org>

VETS

Falkland Veterinary Clinic, 214 Newtown Rd, Newbury RG14 7ED

01635 46565

Small Animal Vets, The Coach House, Burlyns, 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 yoga, tai chi 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.

WEST BERKSHIRE COUNCIL

Hamstead Marshall is represented as part of the Hungerford and Kintbury Ward by **James Cole** (Con) james.cole@westberks.gov.uk, **Dennis Benneyworth** (Con) Dennis.Benneyworth@westberks.gov.uk and **Claire Rowles** (Con) claire.rowles1@westberks.gov.uk.

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.

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; 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

<https://www.facebook.com/IndigoMassage> evansjulie76@yahoo.com