



# **WELCOME TO MARDEN**

## **AN INTRODUCTORY GUIDE TO THE VILLAGE**

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This guide provides a short introduction to Marden

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## **Welcome**

If you have recently moved to the area, welcome to our village in the lovely Weald of Kent.

We hope you will enjoy living here. This pamphlet contains some facts which we think you would like to know.

## **Situation**

Marden is situated approximately 8 miles south of the County Town of Maidstone with its excellent shopping, educational and recreational facilities.

The Parish of Marden, which includes Chainhurst, consists of mainly mixed farming and has a population of just over 5000. It is in an area renowned for the growing of apples and hops.

The village benefits from local shops including a Post Office, three Convenience Stores, Butchers and Bakers. The village boasts three Public Houses, all of which serve good food and the Village Club. There is also a Chinese take-away, fish and chip/kebab shop, two cafes and two Indian restaurants. The village is well served by its successful Medical Centre, Dentist, Hairdressers, Barbers, Beauty Salon as well as two Garages and Veterinary Surgery. Marden also has a garden centre on the A229 and a very large business community – the majority of which is in Pattenden Lane. Marden Station offers a regular main line service to London and the South East.

The first settlement in Marden or Meredenne is thought to have been before the 9th Century. The densely forested Weald was very wet and swampy but became used

for pig grazing and the clearings providing temporary settlement for herdsmen which were called 'dens' - Marden. The availability of timber as a building material encouraged permanent settlement and Marden had a church by 1085. This church is mentioned in the Domesday Monachorum.

Marden has always been closely linked to the land and it has been from agriculture that the village has derived its prosperity. The Wealden forest provided timber for construction and fuel. This, in addition to water for power and sheep for wool, made Marden an ideal area for cloth production. Migrant Flemish in the 16th Century provided the expertise and mills were sited in Pattenden and Sheephurst Lanes.

## **A SHORT SUMMARY OF MARDEN PARISH COUNCIL**

Local affairs in the Parish are governed by the PARISH COUNCIL of eleven Councillors, elected every four years; the next election being May 2028.

The office of Marden Parish Council is situated to the front of Marden Memorial Hall, Goudhurst Road, Marden and is open to the public on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 10am to 12noon – appointments outside of these times are welcome but please ring beforehand to ensure someone is in the office to assist you.

However, you can always contact the Parish Clerk, Alison Hooker, by telephone on 01622 832305 (mobile 07376 287981) or email [clerk@mardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@mardenkent-pc.gov.uk) or the Deputy Clerk, Rachel Weeks (mobile 07354 349925) or email [deputyclerk@mardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:deputyclerk@mardenkent-pc.gov.uk). (Please note the Parish Office is closed on Wednesdays and any phone or email messages left on this day will be answered the following morning).

The Parish Council has its own website [www.mardenkent-pc.gov.uk](http://www.mardenkent-pc.gov.uk) – this is updated on a regular basis and contains information regarding the Parish Council including agendas, copies of previous minutes, meeting dates, Council policies and procedures, quarterly newsletters, village welcome pack, contact details along with a lot of other useful information. There is also a Parish Events section which allows organisations from the village to advertise their upcoming events together with a section for organisations/ groups to have their own site page. Just contact Alison or Rachel for further details. We are also on social media on the following platforms:

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

X: [@mardenkentpc](https://twitter.com/mardenkentpc)

Instagram: [@mardenparishcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/mardenparishcouncil)

You can also sign up for a weekly e-newsletter from the Parish Council. Please contact Rachel on [deputyclerk@mardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:deputyclerk@mardenkent-pc.gov.uk) for more information.

These give details of the Parish Council meetings and events plus any useful information about Marden.

The Parish Council Newsletter is produced three times a year and is delivered to all households in Marden. It can also be downloaded from the website. The newsletter

provides the village with details of what the Parish Council has been doing and what is happening in the future along with other relevant information.

This Welcome Pack is available to all new residents to give them a brief introduction to Marden. If you know of anyone new to the village contact Alison or Rachel.

The Parish Council meets on the second Tuesday of every month for a Full Council meeting, first and third Tuesday for Planning and fourth Tuesday for Amenities. Please contact the Parish Office or view the agenda in regard to the meeting venues. All meetings commence at 7.30pm and agendas/dates of meetings can be viewed prior to the meeting via the website or notice boards at the Parish Office, Library, Old Post Office Café, Campion Way, Highwood Green, Marden Playing Field and Chainhurst. They are also available to be downloaded from the Parish Council website.

Marden residents are welcome to attend any of the Parish Council meetings and there is an opportunity to speak at the beginning of the Full Council meeting.

If you wish to raise an issue at these meetings you should contact the Chairman, Clerk, Deputy Clerk or approach one of the Councillors at least a week prior to the meeting. At the beginning of our monthly meetings we have an Open Session for members of the Public to express their views.

The ANNUAL PARISH MEETING is normally held in April or May each year in Marden Memorial Hall commencing at 7.30pm and is a meeting of the parish electorate. In 2026 the name has been changed to “Annual Residents Meeting” and will be held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm prior to the normal monthly full council meeting.

The main event in the Marden Parish Council diary is the “Marden at Christmas” celebrations and this will be held on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2026 - this involves Morris Dancing and carol singing at The Allens (opposite Stanley’s Garage) with a visit to Father Christmas in his Grotto and a Christmas Fair at the Marden Memorial Hall. Many other organisations and businesses take part and run events throughout the village also on the day. Thanks are expressed to all who helped in previous years celebrations. Hopefully we can continue with the event for many years to come.

## MARDEN PARISH COUNCIL AND USEFUL CONTACTS

### Chairman:

Cllr Adrian Rabot [cllrrabot@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrrabot@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)

### Vice-Chairman:

Cllr Anne Boswell [cllrboswell@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrboswell@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)

### Councillors:

Cllr Richard Adam [cllradam@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllradam@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
Cllr Paul Dobinson [cllrdobinson@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrdobinson@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
Cllr Theresa Gibson [cllrgibson@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrgibson@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
Cllr Jon Goda [cllrgoda@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrgoda@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
Cllr Neil Griffiths [cllrgriffiths@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrgriffiths@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
Cllr Ian Newton [cllrnewton@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrnewton@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
Cllr Mike Summersgill [cllrsummersgill@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrsummersgill@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
Cllr Kate Tippen [cllrtippen@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrtippen@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
Cllr Andy Turner [cllrturner@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:cllrturner@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)

### Parish Clerk:

Alison Hooker [clerk@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
01622 832305 / 07376 287981

### Deputy Parish Clerk:

Rachel Weeks [deputyclerk@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:deputyclerk@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
01622 832305 / 07354 349925

### Admin Asst:

Lisa Stevens [adminassistant@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk](mailto:adminassistant@ardenkent-pc.gov.uk)  
01622 832305

### Address:

Parish Office, Marden Memorial Hall, Goudhurst Road, Marden TN12 9JX  
Parish Office Number: 01622 832305

### Office Opening Times:

Monday, Tuesday and Friday - 10.00am to 12.00pm

## BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

Grace Couch [gracecouch@maidstone.gov.uk](mailto:gracecouch@maidstone.gov.uk)  
Claudine Russell [claudinerussell@maidstone.gov.uk](mailto:claudinerussell@maidstone.gov.uk)  
Mike Summersgill [michaelsummersgill@maidstone.gov.uk](mailto:michaelsummersgill@maidstone.gov.uk)

## COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Brian Black [brian.black@kent.gov.uk](mailto:brian.black@kent.gov.uk)

## MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

Katie Lam, MP [katie.lam.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:katie.lam.mp@parliament.uk)  
[www.katieforkent.com](http://www.katieforkent.com)  
House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA

## **POLICE**

### **Ward Police Officers:**

PC Chad Maskell and PC George Head

### **Police Community Support Officer:**

PSCO Becky Mount

Non-emergency: 101 or via [Report a crime | Kent Police](#)

Emergency: 999

## **OTHER REPORTING CONTACTS:**

### **Kent County Council**

[www.kent.gov.uk](http://www.kent.gov.uk)

#### Highways

For reporting potholes, street lighting, footways/highways issues, blocked drains or overgrown vegetation visit:

[Report or track a problem on the road or pavement - Kent County Council](#)

If urgent, or if the problem may cause an accident

Telephone on [03000 41 81 81](tel:03000418181) between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday or on [03000 41 91 91](tel:03000419191) at all other times.

#### Public Rights of Way

For reporting problems in public rights of way

[Report a problem on a right of way - Kent County Council](#)

### **Maidstone Borough Council**

[www.maidstone.gov.uk](http://www.maidstone.gov.uk)

#### Bins and Recycling

[Bins and Recycling | Maidstone Borough Council](#)

#### Street care and cleaning issues

For reporting litter, fly tipping, problems with play areas (The Cockpit, Marden only), abandoned vehicles, trees, dog fouling visit:

[Street care and cleaning | Maidstone Borough Council](#)

#### Planning Information

[Planning information | Maidstone Borough Council](#)

## VILLAGE AND OTHER CONTACTS

### AA

24-hour helpline 01622 751 842  
Meeting Mondays 7.30pm - 8.30pm  
Marden Memorial Hall

### Advice Centres

Citizens Advice Maidstone

Monday to Friday 9.30 am – 3.30 pm  
Use Freephone 08082 505704.

[Home | Maidstone Citizens Advice Bureau](#)

Paddock Wood Advisory Centre

94 Commercial Road

Paddock Wood

Monday to Friday 9.30am to 1.30pm

01892 838619

[info@pwadvice.org](mailto:info@pwadvice.org)

### Allotment Society

Currently being set up

### Art Classes

Vera Kelly

[Vk555@btinternet.com](mailto:Vk555@btinternet.com)

### Badminton

Mark Cooper

01622 831833

Main Hall, Marden Memorial Hall

On Wednesdays 7.30pm to 9.30pm (September to May)

### Barbers

Masculo

Pattenden Lane

Open Wednesday to Sunday

07526253651

### Coffee Shops

Old Post Office Café

High Street

01622 833374

[coffehousemarden@gmail.com](mailto:coffehousemarden@gmail.com)

Village Café

Held at the Vestry Hall on Friday mornings 10.00am to 11.45am

### **Coffee Shops (contd).**

Millbrook Garden Centre

Staplehurst Road

01622 832299

Willows End

Green Lane

01892 315015

### **Come and Sing!**

Sarah Emanuel

01622 832925

[emanuelfamily@btinternet.com](mailto:emanuelfamily@btinternet.com)

Meets on alternate Thursdays at the Vestry Hall from 2.30pm (please check beforehand for dates)

### **Community Lunch**

Carol Hogg

01622 832900 / 07949 501043

[Carol.hogg@hotmail.com](mailto:Carol.hogg@hotmail.com)

Meets in the Vestry Hall on Mondays once a month from 12.30pm

### **Crochet Club**

Caitlin Richards

07565 586831

Meet in Marden Village Club Tuesday evenings

### **Cycling Clubs**

K20 Cycling Club

Del Lesley

[Del999@aol.com](mailto:Del999@aol.com)

[groups@K20cyclingclub.org](mailto:groups@K20cyclingclub.org)

[www.k20cyclingclub.org](http://www.k20cyclingclub.org)

San Fairy Ann Cycling Club

[www.sanfairyancc.co.uk](http://www.sanfairyancc.co.uk)

### **Dance Classes**

Dance Fit with Amanda

Amanda Hindley

07792 785311

Main Hall, Marden Memorial Hall

Tuesday 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Burlesque Classes

Kerry Fuller

[kerrysqueens@outlook.com](mailto:kerrysqueens@outlook.com)

Main Hall, Marden Memorial Hall

Thursday 7.15pm to 8.45pm



## **Dentist**

Marden Dental:

01622 831556

Church Green, Marden

[www.mardendental.co.uk](http://www.mardendental.co.uk)

Forge House Dental Practice

High Street

Staplehurst

01580 892509

[info@forgehousedental.co.uk](mailto:info@forgehousedental.co.uk)

The Bower Dental Practice

High Street

Staplehurst

01580 891349

Staplehurst Dental

Station Road

Staplehurst

01580 848171

## **Friends of Marden Medical Centre Charity**

Valerie Hesketh – Chairman

[Heskethvalerie@gmail.com](mailto:Heskethvalerie@gmail.com)

01622 832878

07912 602019

## **Funeral Directors**

Albany Funerals

Loose

01622 746688

Doves Funeral Directors

Staplehurst

01580 892125

Henry Paul

Paddock Wood

01892 835955

J Perigoe & Sons

Cranbrook

01580 713636

K B Sills

Cranbrook

01580 712284

Sears

Paddock Wood

01892 836663

## **Garage/Motor Repairs**

Autobase

Church Green

01622 831240

## **Garden Centres/Nurseries**

Golden Hill Nursery

Goudhurst Road

Marden

[Home | Golden Hill Plants](#)

Millbrook Garden Centre

Staplehurst Road

Marden

[Millbrook Staplehurst - Millbrook Garden Centre](#)

## **Hairdressers**

Chic Hair and Beauty

High Street

01622476684

Little Eden

Church Green

01622 833088

## **Housing Associations**

Golding Homes

0300 777 2600

[www.goldinghomes.org.uk](http://www.goldinghomes.org.uk)

HML

0333 032 5955

[info@hmlgroup.com](mailto:info@hmlgroup.com) [www.hmlgroup.com](http://www.hmlgroup.com)

Medway Housing Association

[mhs homes | social housing | shared ownership | private rent](#)

Trinity Homes

0333 344 3244

[info@trinityhousing.org.uk](mailto:info@trinityhousing.org.uk)

[Home - Trinity Housing Association Limited](#)

## **Gyms**

AJP Fitness

[www.ajpfitness.co.uk](http://www.ajpfitness.co.uk)

Atlas Gym

[www.theatlasgym.co.uk](http://www.theatlasgym.co.uk)

Brigade Fitness

[www.brigadefitness.co.uk](http://www.brigadefitness.co.uk)

CrossFit Hunta

[www.crossfit-hunta.co.uk](http://www.crossfit-hunta.co.uk)

## **Halls to Hire**

Marden Memorial Hall

07737 521761

[mardenmemorialhall@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mardenmemorialhall@yahoo.co.uk)

[www.mardenmemorialhall.co.uk](http://www.mardenmemorialhall.co.uk)

## **Halls to Hire (contd.)**

Vestry Hall

01622 831890

[vestryhall@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:vestryhall@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Marden Village Club

01622 831427

[www.mardenvillageclub.co.uk](http://www.mardenvillageclub.co.uk)

Marden Sports Club/Clubhouse

[admin@mardensportsclub.co.uk](mailto:admin@mardensportsclub.co.uk)

## **Health and Wellbeing Information**

Please see separate list at [Community - Marden Parish Council Marden, Tonbridge, Kent - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

## **Hospitals**

Maidstone Hospital

01622 729000

Pembury Hospital

01892 823535

[Home - Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust](#)

## **Karate**

Abigail Lawrence

[kentkarate@gmail.com](mailto:kentkarate@gmail.com)

[www.shukokaikarateacademy.com](http://www.shukokaikarateacademy.com)

John Banks Hall, Marden Memorial Hall

Wednesday 5.00pm to 6.00pm / Friday 6.30pm to 7.30pm

## **Kent County Council**

[www.kent.gov.uk](http://www.kent.gov.uk)

## **Kent County Council Family Hubs**

Natalie Penfold, Family Hub District Manager

[Kent Family Hub - Kent County Council](#)

## **Little Fishes Babies & Toddler Group**

Kathy Young

01622 831890

[office@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Rev Nicky Harvey

[vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Every Wednesday (term time only) in the Vestry Hall from 9.30am to 11.00am

Playgroup for babies and toddlers

## **Maidstone Borough Council**

Maidstone House  
King Street  
Maidstone  
01622 602000  
[www.maidstone.gov.uk](http://www.maidstone.gov.uk)

## **Marden Bowls Club**

Colin Smith – Secretary  
[Mardensecretary24@gmail.com](mailto:Mardensecretary24@gmail.com)

## **Marden Bell Ringers**

Jane Higgs  
01622 831009  
[bellringers@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:bellringers@mardenchurch.org.uk)

## **Marden Community Charitable Incorporation Organisation (CIO)**

Kate Tippen  
[mardencommunitycio@gmail.com](mailto:mardencommunitycio@gmail.com)  
[Marden Charity - Marden Parish Council Marden, Tonbridge, Kent - Marden Parish Council, Marden, Tonbridge](#)

A charity for the relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually, of people living in Marden Parish by making grants of money available for providing or paying for items, services or facilities.

## **Marden Community Engagement Forum**

John Haddow  
[johnehaddow@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:johnehaddow@yahoo.co.uk)  
Collaborative group formed from members of Marden Parish Council, Marden Medical Centre, Marden Dementia Friendly Community, Marden Parish Church etc

## **Marden Community Eco Hubb**

Via Facebook  
[\(1\) Marden Community Eco Hub | Facebook](#)

## **Marden Dementia Friendly Community**

Rachel Chacon  
01622 831941  
[mardendfcinfo@gmail.com](mailto:mardendfcinfo@gmail.com)  
Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month

## **Marden Foodbank**

Kathy Young  
01622 831890  
[office@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@mardenchurch.org.uk)  
Mondays at the Vestry Hall 9.30am to 11.30am  
If urgent please contact Rev. Nicky Harvey  
01622 831379  
[vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk)

## **Marden History Group and Heritage Centre**

Richard Adam – Chairman

Eunice Doswell – Deputy Chairman

[history@mardenhistory.org.uk](mailto:history@mardenhistory.org.uk)

[The History of Marden | The story of a village in the Weald of Kent](#)

Based at Marden Library

See website for opening hours.

## **Marden Horticultural Society**

Julie Nicols, Chair

[julienicol55@hotmail.com](mailto:julienicol55@hotmail.com)

[Events — Marden Gardeners](#)

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Vestry Hall - 7.30pm to 9.30pm

## **Marden In Bloom**

Anne Boswell – Chairman

[anne.boswell@ymail.com](mailto:anne.boswell@ymail.com)

Diana Rabot – Secretary

[dianarabot55@gmail.com](mailto:dianarabot55@gmail.com)

## **Marden Library**

01622 831619

[mardenlibrary@kent.gov.uk](mailto:mardenlibrary@kent.gov.uk)

[www.kent.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.kent.gov.uk/libraries)

Tuesday to Friday 10.00am to 1.00pm / 2.00pm

Saturday 9.00am to 1.00pm

## **Marden Medical Centre**

01622 831257

[www.mardenmedicalcentre.nhs.uk](http://www.mardenmedicalcentre.nhs.uk)

Church Green, Marden

## **Marden Motor Club**

Andrew Farrow

[farrowa@live.co.uk](mailto:farrowa@live.co.uk)

## **Marden Oddfellows**

Rosaline Mills

[Rosaline.mills@oddfellows.co.uk](mailto:Rosaline.mills@oddfellows.co.uk)

Julie Broomfield

[Julie.broomfield@oddfellows.co.uk](mailto:Julie.broomfield@oddfellows.co.uk)

Meet in the John Banks Hall, Marden Memorial Hall

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in the month

11.00am to 1.00pm

## **Marden Parish Church**

Reverend Nicky Harvey

01622 831379

[vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Reverend Vicki Young (Curate)

01622 951133

[Curate@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:Curate@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Ali Bonney – PCC Secretary

[pccsecretary@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:pccsecretary@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Jan Collins – Verger

[verger@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:verger@mardenchurch.org.uk)

[www.mardenchurch.org.uk](http://www.mardenchurch.org.uk)

## **Marden Parish Church Office**

Kathy Young (Administrator)

01622 831890

[office@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00am to 1.00pm

## **Marden Parish Magazine**

Sarah Davies – co-ordinator and advertising

[magazineadverts@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:magazineadverts@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Liz Bryant / Don Chambers / Rev Stephen Harvey – Editors

[magazineeditor@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:magazineeditor@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Village diary

[diary@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:diary@mardenchurch.org.uk)

## **Marden Patient Participation Group (PPG)**

John Haddow – Chairman

[johnehaddow@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:johnehaddow@yahoo.co.uk)

## **Marden Pharmacy**

High Street, Marden

01622 831495

[contact@mardenpharmacy.co.uk](mailto:contact@mardenpharmacy.co.uk)

[www.mardenpharmacy.co.uk](http://www.mardenpharmacy.co.uk)

## **Marden Play-On**

Sue Eltringham

01622 833053

[Sue.eltringham@seeoccupationaltherapy.co.uk](mailto:Sue.eltringham@seeoccupationaltherapy.co.uk)

Thursdays 11.15am - 12.30pm at the Vestry Hall

Play On! meet every Thursday to reminisce about 'the good old days' of being active and to 'Play On!' by taking part in activities and games with others, keeping the team spirit alive!

### **Marden Post Office**

Crowhurst & Tompsetts/One Stop  
High Street  
Marden  
01622 831212  
[Marden Post Office® | Tonbridge | TN12 9DP](#)

### **Marden Primary Academy**

Hannah Penning – Principal  
Goudhurst Road  
Marden  
01622 831393  
[office@mardenprimaryacademy.org.uk](mailto:office@mardenprimaryacademy.org.uk)

### **Marden Scout Group**

[Contact@mardenscouts.org.uk](mailto:Contact@mardenscouts.org.uk)  
[GSL@mardenscouts.org.uk](mailto:GSL@mardenscouts.org.uk)  
For Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers  
[Marden Scout Group – Scouting for young people in Marden, Kent](#)  
See website for more information  
Meet at the Scout HQ (off car park behind Marden Library)

### **Marden Society**

Steve McArragher (Chairman)  
01622 831007 / 07946 532591  
[Steve.mcarragher@btinternet.com](mailto:Steve.mcarragher@btinternet.com)

### **Marden Sporting Memories**

Sue Eltringham  
[mardensportingmemories@gmail.com](mailto:mardensportingmemories@gmail.com)  
Meet at Marden Sports Club, Maidstone Road, Marden  
Tuesdays 2.30pm to 4.00pm

### **Marden Sports Club**

01622 822656  
Clubhouse: [admin@mardensportsclub.com](mailto:admin@mardensportsclub.com)  
Sport: [membership@mardensportsclub.com](mailto:membership@mardensportsclub.com)  
[www.mardensportsclub.com](http://www.mardensportsclub.com)

### **Marden Theatre Group**

[info@mardentheatregrp.co.uk](mailto:info@mardentheatregrp.co.uk)  
[Marden Theatre Group – Amateur Dramatics and Theatre Production in Marden](#)

### **Marden Village Club**

01622 831427  
[office@mardenvillageclub.org.uk](mailto:office@mardenvillageclub.org.uk)  
[www.mardenvillageclub.co.uk](http://www.mardenvillageclub.co.uk)

## **Marden Walking Group**

Sian Burr

[sianburr@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sianburr@hotmail.co.uk)

Steve McArragher

01622 831007 / 07946 532591

[Steve.mcarragher@btinternet.com](mailto:Steve.mcarragher@btinternet.com)

## **Marden WI**

Barbara Hammond, President

[Barbham50@gmail.com](mailto:Barbham50@gmail.com)

Meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month in the Vestry Hall  
7.15pm

## **Marden Wildlife**

[Mardenwildlife@gmail.com](mailto:Mardenwildlife@gmail.com)

Ray Morris

[lepiat@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lepiat@hotmail.co.uk)

Lou Carpenter

[Richard.lou.carpenter@gmail.com](mailto:Richard.lou.carpenter@gmail.com)

[www.mardenwildlife.org.uk](http://www.mardenwildlife.org.uk)

## **Men's Breakfast**

Geoff Burr

[geoffreyburr@btinternet.com](mailto:geoffreyburr@btinternet.com)

Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday every other month  
Old School Room, Marden Memorial Hall

## **Messy Church**

01622 831890

[office@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@mardenchurch.org.uk)

[vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk)

## **Nurseries/Playgroups**

Marden Pre-School Playgroup

Hayley Schlosser (Manager)

01622 832857

[manager@mardenpreschool.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:manager@mardenpreschool.onmicrosoft.com)

Home - Marden Preschool

Marden Memorial Hall – term time only  
Monday to Thursday 8.45am to 2.45pm  
Friday 8.45am to 11.45am

Foxden Nursery

School House

Goudhurst Road

Marden

07400 299534

[foxdennursery@outlook.com](mailto:foxdennursery@outlook.com)



## **Nurseries/Playgroups (contd.)**

Harpers Day Nursery

Harpers Farm

Summerhill

Goudhurst TN17 1JU

01580 211236

Poppy's Day Nursery

Headcorn Road

Staplehurst

01580 892600

## **Opticians**

Peter Jones

Church Hill

Staplehurst

01580 892269

Elaine Yorwath

70 Commercial Road

Paddock Wood

01892 833017

Patrick Duff

3 Commercial Road

Paddock Wood

Tel 01892 838608

## **Petrol Station**

Stanleys

Albion Road

Marden

01622 831278

[stanleysofmarden@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stanleysofmarden@yahoo.co.uk)

[Stanleys of Marden | Petrol Station, DIY Shop, Animal Feed and a lot more.](#)

## **Pilates**

Jane Tugwell

[enquiries@kentpilates.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@kentpilates.co.uk)

John Banks Hall, Marden Memorial Hall

Tuesdays and Thursdays (term time only) 9.00am to 10.00am

## **Plastic Free Marden**

[plasticfreemarden@gmail.com](mailto:plasticfreemarden@gmail.com)

## **Public Houses**

West End Tavern

01622 831956

[www.elmpubgroup.com/westendtavern](http://www.elmpubgroup.com/westendtavern)

The Unicorn

01622 831426

[www.theunicornpubanddining.co.uk](http://www.theunicornpubanddining.co.uk)

## **Public Houses (contd.)**

The Stilebridge

01622 831426

[www.thestilebridge.com](http://www.thestilebridge.com)

## **Public Transport**

Nu-Venture – 01622 882288 – [www.nu-venture.co.uk](http://www.nu-venture.co.uk)

Arriva – [www.arrivabus.co.uk](http://www.arrivabus.co.uk)

South Eastern – [www.southeasternrailway.co.uk](http://www.southeasternrailway.co.uk)

## **Registering of Births and Deaths**

Maidstone Library

James Whatman Way

Maidstone

ME14 1LQ

[03000 41 51 51](tel:03000415151).

[historyandlibrarycentre@kent.gov.uk](mailto:historyandlibrarycentre@kent.gov.uk)

[www.kent.gov.uk/births-ceremonies-and-deaths](http://www.kent.gov.uk/births-ceremonies-and-deaths)

## **Rugby Taggers**

Darren Reeves

07834 225584

Southons Field, Maidstone Road

Saturday mornings 9.30am to 10.30am

[www.rugbytaggers.com](http://www.rugbytaggers.com)

## **Russet Runners**

Nathan Chapman

[russetrunners@gmail.com](mailto:russetrunners@gmail.com)

## **Safe Anaesthesia**

Carol Newman – Secretary

[info@safe4all.org.uk](mailto:info@safe4all.org.uk)

## **Secondary Schools**

New Line Learning (Cornwallis)

01622 743152

Mascalls

01892 835366

Maidstone Grammar School for Girls

01622 752103

Maidstone Grammar School for Boys

01622 752101

Invicta Girls School

01622 755856

Oakwood Park Grammar School for Boys

01622 726656

## **Shops**

Ballards Butchers

01622 831212

The Green Door (Beauticians)

01622 832413

Jinky's Corner (Pet Food)

07946 227647

Kent Mart

Church Green

01622 831083

No 47 (Gift Shop)

01622 832783

One Stop

High Street

01622 831212

West End Stores

01622 831570

## **S.E.N.D Support Group**

Zoe Clarkson and Elizabeth Hollamby

[sendhelpmarden@gmail.com](mailto:sendhelpmarden@gmail.com)

Support group for SEN parents and carers

Meet in the Vestry Hall

## **Short Mat Bowls**

Michael Ward

07359 658338

[Ward241@live.co.uk](mailto:Ward241@live.co.uk)

Meet in the Main Hall, Marden Memorial Hall

Mondays and Fridays 7.30pm to 9.30pm

## **Staplehurst Village Golf Club**

Jane Annetts

07362 360895

[admin@villagegolf.org.uk](mailto:admin@villagegolf.org.uk)

[www.villagegolf.org.uk](http://www.villagegolf.org.uk)

## **Sunday Club**

Kathy Young

[youthandchildren@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:youthandchildren@mardenchurch.org.uk)

Sundays 10.30am to 11.45am in the Vestry Hall

## **Take Aways/Restaurants**

Kebab Fish Knight - fish & chips, kebabs, burgers

Church Green

01622 832831

Marden Bakery - bakery/sandwiches/jacket potatoes

High Street

07837 819212

## **Take Aways/Restaurants (contd.)**

Marden Tandoori - Indian takeaway and restaurant

Albion Road

01622 832184

Taj of Kent - Indian takeaway and restaurant

Church Green

01622 833339

The Cherry Tree - Chinese takeaway

Maidstone Road

01622 832030

## **Taxi Services**

MTC

01622 890003

Streamline

01622 752978

## **U3A (Goudhurst Branch)**

[socmedgandd@gmail.com](mailto:socmedgandd@gmail.com)

Facebook: [Facebook](#)

## **Utilities**

Electricity Emergency

0800 783 8866

Gas Emergency

0800 111 999

South East Water

0444 000 0002

Southern Water

0330 303 0277

## **Village Café**

Heather Ferguson-Gow

[nfgow@aol.com](mailto:nfgow@aol.com)

Every Friday in the Vestry Hall

10.00am to 11.45am

Did you know that the Village Café is open every Friday in The Vestry Hall serving homemade cakes, cheese scones etc and tea and coffee from 10.00 am to 11.45 am? Why not drop in and catch up with friends at this time or come and meet new people. A warm welcome awaits you and children are very welcome. If you would like to volunteer to help at village café or bake for it please do get in contact with either: Heather on [nfgow@aol.com](mailto:nfgow@aol.com) or Rev Nicky on [vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@mardenchurch.org.uk)

## **Weald of Kent Young Farmers Club**

Archie Reynolds – Chairman

[wealdofkentyc@gmail.com](mailto:wealdofkentyc@gmail.com)

[www.wealdofkentyc.org.uk](http://www.wealdofkentyc.org.uk)

Meet twice a month in various locations

## **WET MUGS (Golf Society)**

Sue Attwood – Secretary

Paul Attwood – Captain

07831 463446

[wetgolfers@gmail.com](mailto:wetgolfers@gmail.com)

We are a friendly and inclusive golf society for everyone of all abilities.

## **Yoga**

Balance and Blossom

Stephanie Felstead

[balanceandblossomyoga@gmail.com](mailto:balanceandblossomyoga@gmail.com)

John Banks Hall, Marden Memorial Hall (term time only)

Monday 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Wednesday 9.15am to 10.15am

Friday 8.15am to 10.15am

Fox and Flow

Emily Fox

[foxflowmarden@gmail.com](mailto:foxflowmarden@gmail.com)

John Banks Hall, Marden Memorial Hall (term time only)

Tuesday 8.00pm to 9.00pm

Move Into Yoga

Hannah Morrison

[www.moveintoyogawithhannah.com/classes](http://www.moveintoyogawithhannah.com/classes)

John Banks Hall, Marden Memorial Hall

Thursdays 6.30pm to 8.45pm