

SUMMER 2023

Quarterly newsletter of Kits Coty Glamping





Welcome

Written by Ami and Mark Culver

Hello again - Welcome to the latest edition of our KCG newsletter.

So much has happened since last season we thought we'd give you a little update. With Covid restrictions now a thing of the past we've had lots of guests arriving to spend some quality time in the Kent countryside with us and a huge amount have already booked to come back, which is amazing!!

We've nearly reached our 350th review on TripAdvisor and across all our review platforms were have over an amazing 1000 reviews the majority of which are 5 star!! Don't forget you can review your stay at any time and receive an extra 5% off any new booking for doing so.

We have limited summer and weekend spaces left for this season and are happy to announce that next years booking calendar is well and truly open. All our availability is live and up to date on our website www.kitscotyglamping.co.uk so check it out now.

We hope you enjoy reading through our news below. Yours in glamping Ami and Mark In this Edition

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NEW INDOOR / OUTDOOR GAMES

PETANQUE, GIANT JENGA, CROQUET, QUOITS, CORNHOLE, DARTS

"The petanque court is a great addition to the site, kept the kids amused for hours"

We had a wonderful season last year however we didn't rest on our laurels during the closed season!

We spent the winter months building our brand new petanque court.

We shovelled nearly 20 tonnes of Type 1 and crushed granite by hand to constuct our new 3m x 12m court. It's proving very popular this season. You can hire the Boules from Reception for £5 per game. All proceeds from the hire are going to our chosen charity for this year, see later in the newsletter.

We've also added lots more outdoor games to keep you occupied during your stay. Giant Jenga, Croquet, Quoits and Darts are available now. All cost £1 to hire the equipment again with the proceeds going to charity. We have cornhole on order for later in the season. Don't forget we also have a football goal and a selection of bats, balls, frisbees etc available for you to use during your stay.







AWARDS 2022 / 2023

GOLD - GLAMPING BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

SILVER - ETHICAL, RESPONSIBLE AND SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

BRONZE - UNSUNG HERO

We were all so pleased to have been again recognised at the Tourism South East Beautiful South Awards 2022/23, this time in three categories. KCG won Glamping Business of the Year for the third year running. We have now been recognised as one of the top three glamping sites in the South East every year since we opened.

We won Silver in the Ethical,
Responsible and Sustainable
Tourism Award and our
housekeeping assistant, Sarah
was recognised for her customer
service winning Bronze in the
Unsung Hero category.

The team were over the moon as you can imagine as it shows all their hard work has paid off.











MEET THE STAFF

WHO'S WHO AT KCG

I'm sure most of you recognise Ami, Mark and Sarah from your stays with us. This year we continue to have a fantastic team working onsite to make your stay with us "just perfect" Vicky is a life long friend who has returned for the 2023 season. Vicki loves washing and is a whiz in the laundry, she's fitted into the team like a dream. Lucy continues to help us out on a volunteer basis. Her help is greatly appreciated. Not to forget all the rest of the family who help out no end.

Lorna (Mark's Mum) does all the ironing for us.

Daniel and Tom are in charge of the "Blue Jobs" - that's bins, firewood, fire pits and general site maintenance to everyone else!!

We've also welcomed Monty to the team, he doesn't do much apart from look cute and rush to greet you when you ring the doorbell Let us know if you want to meet him during your stay, he's very

friendly.!!



A SAD LOSS REMEMBERED

As many of you know we sadly lost Mark's dad Brian to Motor Neurone Disease at the start of last years season.

We have chosen Mid Kent MND Association as our charity for this year.

He has left a huge hole in our lives however we have to be thankful that he left us with such an amazing legacy.

Our two boys are the 5th generation to live here at Kits
Coty, the plot over the years has been developed from a smallholding to the amazing glamping site it is now.

Brian was very much a keen gardener and handyman who spent many hours keeping the site and the estate maintained, tidy, watered and in bloom.

In his memory the residents of Kits
Coty raised funds to purchase a
memorial bench in his honour.
We've located just at the entrance
to the woods, around 50 meters
from the site. Feel free to sit a
while as you return from exploring
the amazing area around the site,
it's a really peaceful spot!!!!





SUSTAINABILITY

TWINNING, LITTER, TREES AND AWARDS

We have this year worked really hard to think about how we can be even more sustainable and make a difference in our local community.

Our efforts were recognised by Tourism South East, Winning a sustainability award for 2023.

In addition we have recently joined "Green Tourism" an association that helps businesses become more sustainable over time. Following our assessment we were really pleased to have been awarded the Green Tourism - Silver Award.

We now have an action plan in place to further develop our "Green Credentials" and hope to achieve "Gold" in 2024.

Make sure you check out both our Environmental Policy and our Visitors Charter that available on our website before visiting. If you have any suggestions as to how we could make our site even greener please do let us know. E-mail us on info@kitscotyglamping.co.uk



CHARITY

MID KENT MNDA

The Mid Kent Motor Neurone
Disease Association were amazing
in supporting us through the last
few months of Mark's dad's life.

We hope to raise over £1500 this year for this amazing charity.

We've added an "invisible breakfast" to our booking page for 2023. When guests add this option to their booking we are transferring these funds to our charity donation.

We are also donating £1 from each booking we receive to this charity in 2023.

We are also doing really well hiring out our new garden games. All proceeds from this also go directly to the charity.

Thanks so much in advance for your support.





PAMELA

REFURBISHED FOR THE 2023 SEASON!!

Pamela our Vintage Shepherds
Hut got a complete internal
makeover throughout the winter
months.

Ami worked really hard to transform the inside of Pamela, maintaining her vintage feel but with a shabby chic twist. She has been completely repainted top to bottom and now contains many upcycled items and looks stunning.

If you are staying in her in 2023 you won't be disappointed.

Pamela is suitable for couples or families of up to three people.

She is equipped with a full sized double bed, a fold-away table and chairs, plenty of storage and a log effect electric heater to ensure you remain cosy during your stay with us.







NEW CATERING OPTIONS

CHEAPER ALTERNATIVES FOR 2023

In response to the "Cost of Living Crisis" we have introduced some cheaper alternatives to our catering options for 2023.

Don't worry our usual DIY Full
English and Cold Breakfast
hampers are still available priced
at £10 per_person.

If however you prefer a cheaper option we can now provide three types of "Bargain Breakfast" options.

Bacon Sandwiches, Beans on Toast or a cold pastry of the day option. All priced at £10 for two people. Don't forget we can also provide you with DIY pizza making kits for 2, 4 or 6 people.

Our Cream Tea on arrival is also a popular choice. Priced at £7.50 per person why not indulge in 2 scones per person together with cream, strawberries and a selection of Teas.

Please give us 24 hours notice if you wish to purchase any of our catering options.

Thanks