



East Grinstead & District Lions Club
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Lions to Stage 25th May Day Fair on Holiday Monday

On Monday 5th May, East Grinstead & District Lions Club will put on its 25th May Day extravaganza, with a wide variety of entertainment, side shows, and food stalls. There will be games to play and prizes to win and displays of working vintage engines and model trains. The fair will be held along High Street between Sackville College and London Road.

Each year, the event raises funds for local charities. "Our efforts would all be in vain if it were not for the generosity of the residents of East Grinstead" said Lions Club President Denis Avery, "so I would like to invite them to come to the fair, spend as freely as they can afford to and most of all, to have enjoyable day out!"

Programme

10:00	Opening by Mayor Councillor Edward Matthews & Lions President, Denis Avery
10:15	Ashdown Forest Morris Men
10:30	Children's Show Outside Sackville College
10:45	Meridian Band
11:45	Adromeda Edmunds School of Irish Dancing
12:00	Children's Show Outside Sackville College
12:15	May Queen Competition
12:45	Aerobics Display
13:15	The Menajarie
13:30	Children's Show Outside Sackville College
14:15	Andromeda Edmunds Scholl of Irish Dancing
14:45	East Grinstead Concert Band
15:00	Children's Show Outside Sackville College
16:00	Fair Closes

Using the funds they raised last year, the Lions club was able to provide help for the East Grinstead ACCESS Group for whom they funded production of the ACCESS Guide which provides information for local disabled residents on facilities to help them within local shops, businesses and public buildings.

In partnership with its Lions' Ladies group the club also helped Activenture, who provide adventure holidays for seriously disabled youngsters, by funding nine new 'Forest' wheelchairs, specially strengthened to withstand the rough terrain at Hindleap Warren.

This year, the main beneficiaries of the funds raised by the Lions Club will be the Riding for the Disabled Association at Burstow and Youth Development through TACADE – The Advisory Council for Alcohol and Drug Education. If you'd like to volunteer as a helper for Riding for the Disabled at Burstow, call Eileen on 01342 325197 – no experience necessary as training will be given.