

East Grinstead Celebrates
**The Coronation of Their Majesties
King Charles III & Queen Camilla**



Saturday 6th May 2023
Souvenir Programme



Photo: Chris Jackson



Royal History

King Charles was born in Buckingham Palace on 14th November 1948 during the reign of his grandfather, King George VI. At the age of three his mother acceded to the throne as Queen Elizabeth II, making him the heir apparent. He was made Prince of Wales in 1958 and his investiture was held in 1969. In 2022 he became monarch at the age of 73 following the death of his mother.

Charles served in the Air Force and Navy from 1971 to 1976. In 1981, he married Lady Diana Spencer, with whom he had two sons: William and Harry. In 1996, the couple divorced and in 2005, he married his present wife Camilla. He founded the youth charity the Prince's Trust in 1976, and is a patron, president, or a member of over 400 other charities and organisations.



Charles acceded to the British throne on 8th September 2022, following his mother's death and gave his first speech to the nation on 9th September, in which he paid tribute to his mother and announced the appointment of his elder son, William, as Prince of Wales. On 10th September 2022, Charles was publicly proclaimed King of the United Kingdom by the Accession Council.

The Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla will take place in Westminster Abbey on 6th May 2023.



Queen's Coronation East Grinstead 1953



East Grinstead Choral Society
(East Grinstead Museum)



1953 Coronation Party (Peter Wood)
Morton Road & Dunnings area



Knole Grove Celebrations
(East Grinstead Museum)

& earlier



Green Hedges Stores
(East Grinstead Museum)



King George V Coronation
London Road 1911

(Memories of
East Grinstead)

Running Order for the day

East Grinstead

Starting at East Court at 9am, there will be a 'Monarchy through the Ages' fancy dress walking parade via College Lane, High Street, and down London Road, over the foot-bridge and into King George's Field. Come along, wave a flag, and give them a cheer.

Once in King George's Field, the ceremony starting at 11am, will be broadcast on a big screen for all to watch together. Bring a picnic or buy from one of our food vendors.

There will be face painting and other free entertainment for the children including bouncy castle, mini golf, garden games and kids colouring sponsored by Step by Step School.

After the ceremony, there will be best in category fancy dress prizes for crowd and parade participants, and best in category prizes in our 'Right Royal Dog Show'.

Join us in celebrating the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla and welcoming in a new Carolean era.



ARCANA BARS:
BEER, CIDER, WINES, SPIRITS & COCKTAILS



Ditch Brisket:
American style BBQ & burgers



East Grinstead Lions:
Tea, Coffee, Cake, Popcorn & Candyfloss



HARBOUR
FISH & CHIPS



Mauritian Coalition:
A blend of African, Chinese, Indian & French Cuisine



Mr Whippy East Grinstead:
Ice creams, ice lollies & cold drinks



The Little Green Truck Co
BARISTA COFFEE, TEA & HOMEMADE BAKES

Community Groups Participating in Parade

1343 (East Grinstead) Sqn.
RAF Air Cadets

www.raf.mod.uk/aircadets

4th East Grinstead Scout Group

www.egscouts.org.uk

Baldwins Hill Primary School

baldwinhillprimaryschool.co.uk

Blackwell Primary School

www.blackwellprimaryschool.co.uk

Church of Scientology Volunteers

www.volunteerministers.org.uk

East Grinstead Community Bonfire

eastgrinsteadcommunitybonfire.co.uk

East Grinstead Town Twinning

egtwinning.org.uk

Estcots Primary School

www.estcots.co.uk

Filipino British Nurses

Extra Care East Grinstead

Girl Guiding East Grinstead

www.girlguiding.org.uk

Imberhorne School

www.imberhorne.co.uk

Nautical Training Corps East Grinstead

www.ntc.org.uk/resolution

QVH Charity

www.qvh.nhs.uk/support-us/charitable-fund/

Royal British Legion

branches.britishlegion.org.uk/branches/east-grinstead

St Catherine's Hospice

www.stch.org.uk

Surrey Army Cadet Force

armycadets.com/county/surrey-acf

The Meads Primary School

www.meads.w-sussex.sch.uk

Urban City Dance

www.urbancitydance.co.uk

West Sussex Fire and Rescue

www.westsussex.gov.uk/fire



King George V Coronation

London Road, 1911

(Memories of East Grinstead)



Family Entertainment & Dog Show

kindly sponsored by



Step By Step School

Building skills, maximising potential

Running Order for the day

The Coronation

The Coronation of The King and Queen Camilla will take place at Westminster Abbey, London at 11am on Saturday 6th May, 2023.

The Service will be conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Ceremony will see His Majesty King Charles III crowned alongside Queen Camilla.



The Coronation will reflect the monarch's role today and look towards the future, while being rooted in longstanding traditions and pageantry.

Their Majesties will arrive at Westminster Abbey in procession from Buckingham Palace.

After the Service, Their Majesties will return to Buckingham Palace in 'The Coronation Procession'. Their Majesties will be joined in the procession by other Members of the Royal Family.

At Buckingham Palace, The King and Queen Camilla together with Members of the Royal Family will appear on the balcony to conclude the day's events.

Events over the Coronation Weekend

Sunday 7th May

Coronation Big Lunch Neighbours and communities are invited to share food and fun together.

East Grinstead's Being Neighbourly Lunch and live music, 1pm - 5pm on the High Street. Bring your own picnic or enjoy delicious food from one of our many restaurants and cafes.

St Swithun's East Grinstead - Evensong 6.30pm

St Mary's East Grinstead - 11am Coronation Family Mass with the East Grinstead Concert Band, followed by a bring and share lunch.

The Coronation Concert will be held at Windsor Castle with representatives of the King and the Queen Consort's charities as well as members of the general public in attendance. The concert will be broadcast live on BBC One, BBC iPlayer, BBC Radio 2 and BBC Sounds.

Monday 8th May

The Big Help Out A Royal initiative to encourage community service and volunteering.

Big Help Out Town Litter Pick Starting from King George's Field at 10am. Equipment will be provided or, if you have them, bring your own litter picker and gloves.

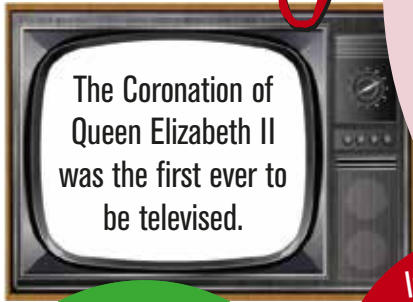
Volunteering Opportunities Below are just a few organisations that would love to hear from you. Further information is available on East Grinstead Town Council's Facebook page or from the Community and Tourist Information Desk in the Library.



Age UK East Grinstead
Ashplats Conservation Group
Being Neighbourly
Bloomin' Arts
Bluebell Railway
Chequer Mead Theatre
Citizens Advice West Sussex
East Grinstead Athletics Club
East Grinstead Museum

East Grinstead Library
East Grinstead Marathon
Foodbank East Grinstead
Friends of Standen Estate
Furnihelp
Mid Sussex Voluntary Action
QVH Macmillan Centre
Stone Quarry Café
The Hope Job Club

Did you know...



The Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II was the first ever to be televised.

Due to rationing, the children who went to the East Grinstead Queen's Coronation party, had a stamp put on their wrist with indelible ink to prevent them from getting more than their share of refreshments

The Souvenir Programme for the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II was sold for two shillings and six pence, around thirteen pence in today's money

In 1953 when Queen Elizabeth II was crowned, all East Grinstead children were issued with Coronation New Testaments

Coronation Chicken was invented by florist Constance Spry for the foreign guests who were to be entertained after the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II

Coronations have been held at Westminster Abbey for 900 years



When Charles III became monarch at the age of 73, he was the oldest person to do so, the previous record holder being William IV who was 64 when he became king in 1830

Did you know...

At the time of the Queen's Coronation, sugar, butter and cheese were still subject to rationing.



The code name for the Coronation is operation Golden Orb

This will be the first Coronation of a British monarch to occur in the 21st century

Before becoming King, Charles was the longest serving British heir apparent, having surpassed Edward VII's record of 59 years on 20th April 2011

There were 8,251 guests at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II