

# Doggy packs help Down Hall to win award for pet-friendly hotels

Down Hall Country House Hotel at Hatfield Heath has beaten 700 hotels across the UK to win the AA's Pet Friendly Hotel Award for 2006/7. The four star hotel, based within a stunning 14th century mansion house, won the award after research was carried out by the AA's 'secret inspectors' who road-tested the hotel's facilities and service for guests with their dogs.

On arrival at Down Hall, pets receive a special doggy pack containing their own bowl and a variety of treats together with a little list of canine dos and don'ts. They are welcome to sleep in the comfort of the hotel guestrooms along with their owners.

Outside there are 110 acres of private gardens to enjoy as well as nearby countryside including historic Hatfield Forest.

To find out more about the hotel call 01279 731441 or visit [www.downhall.co.uk](http://www.downhall.co.uk).

Pictured, from left to right: Sean Quinney, general manager of Down Hall; Sandie De-Rougemont, AA Inspector; Hazel Howson, executive assistant at Down Hall; Simon Scarborough, group operations director for the Velocall Group and Bella the dog.



## Italian market to visit Bishop's Stortford

An Italian market will be held in North Street, Bishop's Stortford on Friday April 27 and Saturday April 28, from 9am to 5pm.