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HEATHER HARDY

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Heather Hardy, Daniel Freeman, Rachel Freeman (children from previous marriage), Hannah Hardy.



We have lived in the village 7 years. Rachel works in Windsor and teaches at 2 stagecoach theatre schools. Daniel works for Thomson Simulators and travels the World, based mainly in Paris. I work part-time in the Village School. Hannah goes to Burgate School. We have a cat called Mackerel, a pony called Max,

and two guinea pigs, Caramel and Crunch. We enjoy musical theatre and any horsy event. Hannah and myself love to spend our time out horse riding.

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WENDY MORAN

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My name is Wendy Moran - most of my family live in the village. My stepfather being Peter Hooper and my brothers



Desmond, Robert and Terence. My Uncle Gerald and Auntie Dot live at Crossways Farm and my cousin Michael looks after the Village Hall. My sons, Tony and Barry live in Coventry and Scarborough respectively.

My house dates back to 1991 and is owned by the NFVHA. I was born in Russells Cottage in South End in 1944 when it was owned by my Great Aunt Kate Russell and my Great Uncle Walter Russell. They were Victorian people

and passed away in the early 60s. The cottage was modernised and the land split into two parts - the other half being sold with a bungalow erected on it.

In the 60s a lot of property in Damerham was condemned or near to it. During the boom 70s this property was bought up by outsiders and done up. The Mill House for example was one of these properties as was the row of cottages opposite Holmleigh in the High Street, Eleanor Cottages etc. It's good to see that the village has not changed much though since then. There was a bakery at Home Bakery Cottage owned by Monty Palmer. I miss that.

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IAN & DIANE HEAD

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Ian made redundant after 40 years with same company - so has taken early retirement. Diane has worked as a secretary since leaving school. Diane came to Damerham in 1953, Ian moved in following his marriage to Diane in 1966. Ian moved three miles from a farm between Damerham and Cranborne. We were possibly the last known 'engaged' couple to be allocated a council house by NFDC, and were given 6 weeks to marry and take up occupation. How times change!

Originally built for council tenant occupation - privately owned by us since 1981. This is a substantial 3 bed house with 2 rec. kitchen, bath, cloakroom, and utility room. Built in 1950. Modernised with C.H., D/G etc. It is semi-detached with good size garden to front, side and rear. Unobstructed views to rear of open fields. We have lived here since 1966, it has two previous family occupants. The first a builder, still living in Damerham - obviously retired - the second a family who moved away, but returned and settled in Sandleheath.

Diane's father moved to Damerham in 1953 to work for a local farmer. Diane went to the local school, and was taught by Miss Mary McKenzie, who lived with elderly parents in attached school house. Mums went to Mothers' Union in the Vicarage, and Sunday



School with Daisy Waterman was a must - (if it couldn't be avoided - she was a character!) Jos Tiller had P.O./local shop in the High Street, now "Nutshell".

Wonderful community spirit.

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DESMOND & CAROL HOOPER

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Desmond Roy Hooper : Delivery Driver
& Mobile Disc Jockey



Carol Hooper : Home Carer

Laurence Richard Hooper : Student

Dean Mark Hooper : Student

Charla Louise Hooper : Student

Des has lived in the village all his life, Carol has lived here for 11 years and the children all their lives.

One pet cat called Buzz.

Three bedroom semi-detached house. We used to live in a 2 bedroom house in the same road. The house has plenty of room. We have modernised the kitchen and in the process of renewing the bathroom. The house was built in 1958. We are currently buying the house, as we want to stay in the village.

The village is very good for children to grow up in. It is very peaceful. My parents and their parents were all born in the village and went to the local school. Miss Tiller was my school teacher. There has been a lot of changes in the village with the original families moving away. The worst thing was losing the 3 village shops and bakery. Also there is not enough done for the young people and the kids in the village. Things need to change for the real village people who have lived here all their lives.

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EVA PEARCE

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Council Bungalow
A very pretty and friendly village



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DARREN LANGLEY & DENISE CASSIN

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Darren Langley, Denise Cassin, Corinna Cassin

Darren has two well established



businesses which he runs from home, and he has an office a few miles away. I work with the elderly and Corinna goes to Fordingbridge Junior School.

Darren has lived in and around the village all his life. I come from Ferndown, moved to Fordingbridge about 10 years ago. Corinna & I moved into the village about August 1997. We have just a few animals : two dogs, two cats, (one which is named after Darren's motorbike Bandit) a hamster, a rabbit, and a horse.

Darren's hobbies drinking, drinking and more drinking, he also likes motorbikes. I like walking, dancing, pubs eating out.

Corinna likes singing dancing, swimming, and her animals. Corinna also does dancing competitions.

The house was built in the 1940's. Darren bought the house in December 1994. He totally changed the house inside and out. Inside new kitchen, bathroom and much more. Outside dog area, patio, a new designed garden and a new drive. The house is lovely and the views out the back are great, just a great big field and trees. Either in the early mornings or mid evening you can see the deer out feeding.