## THE PARISH PUMP

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#### Crime prevention advice - "Remember"

With warmer weather on the way, Hampshire Police are giving warning to homeowners to keep opportunist thieves at bay by **remembering** to lock doors and windows and hide valuables from view to help keep their property secure.

Being a victim of a sneak-in burglary can have both emotional and financial impact. Expensive items like phones, cameras and laptops often hold information with sentimental value, which cannot be replaced.

- Remember to put away your tools in a secure building or locked shed. Not only could they be stolen, but also they can be used by burglars to enter your property.
- Remember to dispose of packaging for expensive items such as TVs and computer equipment properly. Do not advertise what is new in your house.
- Remember to keep ground floor or accessible windows shut and locked in rooms you are not using. Do not leave doors and patio doors open!
- Remember to lock up properly before going to bed!
- Remember insurance companies often will not pay out if a burglary is a result of insecurity!
- Remember, do not do business at the door often companies who tout at the door for gardening and home improvements turn out to be bogus!
- Remember, if you are in the back garden having a barbeque party - do not be tempted to leave the front door open for your visitors to let themselves in!
- Remember, if you are going out for the evening to use a timer switch on a lamp or radio to give the impression that someone is at home!
- Remember to lock your bike using a decent 'D' lock even if you
  are leaving it for only a couple of minutes. Hot weather is a good
  opportunity to get out cycling!
- Remember to shut car windows and sunroofs even if you are parked on your own drive!
- Remember, if you are outside gardening, do not be tempted to leave doors and accessible windows open!
- Remember that scrap metal has a high value; be careful leaving barbeques in the front garden, they may be taken!

You can register your property on <a href="www.immobilise.com">www.immobilise.com</a> so that if it is stolen and recovered by the police, it can then be quickly returned to you.

**Sue Gibson - Force Neighbourhood Watch Officer** Public Services Directorate - Hampshire Constabulary

#### Damerham Disco Party

In the Marquee on the Sports Field after the Damerham Village Fair Dress and Dance to the Music of the 60's, 70's & 80's From 7.30 p.m. to Midnight!

Tickets only £5.00 - must be bought in advance!

Bar - Burgers - Hot Dogs on sale For Tickets, please Call Harvey on 01725 518100, or Janet on 01725 518426 or Dot on 01425 653569



#### **June 2013**



#### The Grand Damerham Duck Race

#### Results 2013

1 <sup>st</sup> Duck	1005	Yasmin Wood-Hill (Damerham)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Duck	752	Audrey Muggleton (Damerham)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Duck	1346	Kevin Herrington
4 <sup>th</sup> Duck	528	Demis Rose Hounsome
Last Duck	1521	Acland (Damerham)
'Wild Duck'	1689	Broadbridge

The organisers would like to thank <u>EVERYONE</u> for their wonderful support, but especially to David Bryant for allowing us to use their river and his help in the meadow.

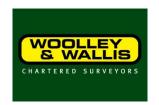
Eddie & Robin Robbins for organising the wonderful Mini Fair and to their helpers.

Barry & Carol Vincent for the Fair prizes, Derek Hall & Maurice Sims who are always on hand to help out.

The Compasses, Damerham Garage and The Bear Inn (Wilton) for their support.

Special thanks too for the donations of cakes etc and to the very hard working Tea, BBQ/Hog roast and Bar staff, Duck & Raffle ticket sellers & sorters, St. John Ambulance, the River & Finish stewards (and anyone else we've forgotten!).

& to our Sponsors -



- WE THANK YOU!

#### The Great Little Plant Sale

We are delighted to report that the Great Little Plant Sale raised a wonderful £508.00. This money has already been passed on to TUFF, a voluntary organisation that provides free play opportunities to children in the Avon Valley.

There are big "Thank you's" to say: to the people who gave us plants, donated lots of lovely flower pots, served the customers at the sale – and to lots and lots of lovely folk who came and bought from us. May your gardens grow and prosper!!

And, on a personal note – together we took eight carloads of plants down to the Village Hall, and not many made the return journey! There was a great feeling of pride when they were all laid out on tables in the Hall.

Thank you so much, everyone for helping us to do so well.

Hope to see you next year!

Carolyn and Robin

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### The Damerham Fair needs your support

This year we are having a real push to sell Prize Draw Tickets **before** the Fair on the 27<sup>th</sup> July, with only a limited number being available on the day. This is our "insurance" to cover costs if bad weather should spoil the day.

Once you have bought your tickets, if could spare the time to sell more tickets to your friends and family, or take a few books to work to sell outside the village - it will be most appreciated.

We have some brilliant prizes for this year's draw, including: - A week in a stunning 2-bedroomed holiday flat in Fowey, Cornwall with fabulous views over the River Fowey estuary. Terms apply – it must be taken in 2013, at dates by mutual consent, no children under 10 as the flat is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Kindly given by David and Penny Relph.

Other prizes include: - Sunday Lunch for Four at The Compasses Inn; a Family Weekend Voucher to the David Lloyd Leisure Centre at Ringwood; a Family Day Ticket to the Heavy Horse Centre at Verwood; a Luxury Hamper (courtesy of Damerham Garage); a Voucher from Hair 11 in Fordingbridge; a Wolvercroft Garden Centre Voucher; plus many more!

For more information, contact Ally Acland by phone on 518810 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:Alison.acland@btopenworld.com">Alison.acland@btopenworld.com</a>

#### **FunQuest Forest School**

During June and July, the FunQuest Forest School will be open at the Damerham Play Trail, West Park Lane.

Activities include Exploration, Den Building, Knot Tying, Fire Lighting & Camp Fire Building for making warm Drinks, Soup, and cooking Damper Bread, Whittling, cooking Marshmallows, River Dipping, Water Play, Plant & Animal Identification, making Woodland Badges, Potions, and Bug Hunting.

The FunQuest Forest School is open for 6 to 9 year olds on Saturday mornings - starting on Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> June until Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> July from 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

There are only EIGHT spaces available so book early to avoid disappointment. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

This is a 6-week course and you need to be able to come along every week, we are also asking for £10 per child to go toward the cost of materials.

For more information and to book e-mail info@funquest.org.uk by Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June.

### June 2013

#### **Temporary Road Closures in Damerham**

We have been advised by NFDC Transportation Section that Court Hill and East End will be closed on June 11<sup>th</sup> and the Cranborne Road from the junction of Brown's Lane and Pound Lane will be closed on June 19<sup>th</sup>.

These closures will each be for a maximum of one day and are to enable major carriageway repairs to be done at various locations within the Parish.

When Court Hill is closed, the diversionary route is via Rockbourne Lane and Brick Hill to the Sandleheath crossroads.

When the Cranborne Road is closed at the junction with Pound Lane and Brown's Lane, the route to Cranborne to be taken is via Alderholt and the B3078 through Cripplestyle and on to Cranborne.

Alternative routes will be signed well in advance of the closures.

If you have any queries, the number to contact is Hampshire County Council by telephone on 0845 603 5633 or via the web-site at www3.hants.gov.uk/transport.

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#### Damerham Leisure

Shape up with Salli and her "Happy Hearts" exercise class! Just turn up for a fun workout!

Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Monday June 10<sup>th</sup> and Monday June 24<sup>th</sup> - 6.30 p.m. in Damerham Village Hall.

£4.00 for an individual or £6.00 for a couple. For more information, phone Salli on 07969 909 162

#### DAMERHAM VILLAGE FAIR

Please keep Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> July free for the Damerham Village Fair & Horticultural Society Summer Show.

This will take place on the Damerham Sports Field between 11.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Parking for visitors will be in the field opposite the church in Church Lane.

More information on the Damerham Village Fair and the Summer Show will be in next month's Parish Pump.

#### **Village Events Diary**

#### June

Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> Flower Group Demonstration Damerham Village Hall

7.30 pm

July

Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> Damerham Village Fair - 11.30 to 4.30 pm Sports Field

Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> Damerham Disco Party in the Marquee on the Sports Field - 7.30pm to Midnight