

THE PARISH PUMP

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April 2014

Western Downland Care Group

On 1st April at 2pm a meeting is to be held in the Committee Room in the Village Hall to discuss the future of the Western Downland Care Group.

Everyone who is interested in this worthwhile cause is invited to attend and join in the discussions. Refreshments will be served.

For more information please contact Cathy Godber on 518350 or e-mail to cathy-godber@tiscali.co.uk

Tea & Chat

Wednesday, 2nd April
Damerham Village Hall at 2.00 p.m.

A Musical Afternoon - led by Jayne Lewis, conductor of a community choir in Fordingbridge.

For information, please ring Robin Robbins, 518 861



Damerham & District Horticultural Society
www.ddhs.co.uk

SPRING SHOW

SATURDAY 5TH APRIL 2014

2.00 TO 4.00 P.M.

VILLAGE HALL, DAMERHAM

Entrance £1.00 – Children & Members Free

TEAS

PLANT STALLS

Entries welcome from Non-Members and Children
Phone Jan Burnell 01725 518676 for a schedule

Children's Potato Planting Workshop: planted up buckets are then taken home and potatoes grown to enter the Heaviest Crop Competition at the Summer Show.

If not entering the show – come along and enjoy the Spring Flowers, buy a plant or two for your garden and have a cup of tea and a slice (or two) of Home Made Cake!

Celebrating St. George's Day

Damerham Village Hall on Wednesday, April 23rd

"Soup & Puds" at 12.30 p.m. £5.00 per person

Followed by a Talk by Mr. Chris McColl on
"The Dad's Army Story"

in aid of St. George's Church, Damerham

Martin & Damerham W.I.

Our next meeting will take place in Damerham Village Hall on Wednesday, 9th April, starting at 7.30 p.m.

We would love to welcome more ladies to our group; we meet on the second Wednesday in the month in the village hall. Why not come along in April to hear our guest speaker – see what we are all about.

We arrange outings, theatre trips and meals, plus so much more.....

For more details, please ring 01725 518350

CAR BOOT SALE

EASTER MONDAY, 21ST APRIL

DAMERHAM SPORTS FIELD

Sellers from 7.00 a.m. £5.00 per car

Buyers from 8.00 a.m. 50p per person

Refreshments available from 7.00 a.m.

Bacon Butties/Teas/Coffees

In aid of St. George's Church, Damerham



Damerham Leisure
Salli Grant's Exercise Class

Monday Evenings
Damerham Village Hall

Monday, 7th and Monday, 29th April only this month.
Just £4.00 a class or £6.00 for a couple - great value!

For more information, call Salli Grant: Cardiac & Pulmonary Exercise Therapist on - 0796 990 9162

FunQuest Summer Play Leader

We are looking for an energetic and enthusiastic Summer Play Leader, based in the Western Downland area, who has a passion to organise and run activity groups for local children. £8.00 to £9.50 per hour.

Previous experience of working with children and young people is essential. Hours will be mainly in the school holidays.

For further information and full job spec go to

www.funquest.org.uk/jobs.html

or e-mail info@funquest.org.uk

Closing date for application is 28th March 2014

Village Hall Jumble Sale

On Saturday, 29th March at 2.00 p.m.

Gifts of Jumble gratefully received
from 10 a.m. at the hall.
No large items please.

In aid of the Village Hall

A leaflet is available for new residents. Ask any Councillor for a copy of "Welcome to Damerham" or download it from www.damerham.net or contact Phil Tandy on 518802 or Bob Gilbey on 518417 for further information.

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Hampshire County Council Flood Risk Management

Hampshire County Council has recently released a leaflet for landowners on Flood Risk Management. If you own land with a watercourse running through it or under it, it is assumed that you own the section of the watercourse on your land.

Some of the major points are listed below –

Your responsibilities as a riparian landowner

1. Let water flow through your land without any obstruction, pollution or diversion which affects how others will receive the water.
2. Accept flood flows through your land.
3. Keep banks clear of anything that could cause an obstruction and increase flood risk if it is washed away.
4. Maintain the bed and banks of the watercourse and the trees and shrubs growing on the banks. Any litter or other obstructions should be cleared, regardless of whether they came from your land.
5. Leave a development-free edge on the banks next to the watercourse, allowing easy access in case maintenance or inspection is required. For more information contact Hampshire County Council
6. Keep any structure, such as culverts, trash screens, weirs or mill gates, clear of debris.
7. Do not cause obstructions, temporary or permanent, that would stop fish passing through.
8. Notify the Environment Agency and seek consent from Hampshire County Council if you would like to build or alter a structure that acts as an obstruction to a watercourse.
9. Do not allow a watercourse to become polluted e.g. dispose of garden or other waste on riverbanks, where it could be washed into the river. This includes grass cuttings, which pollute the water.
10. Protect your property from water that seeps through natural or artificial banks. Where this damages a flood defence, you may be required to pay for repairs.
11. Control invasive non-native species, such as Japanese Knot Weed. Your District or Borough Council can advise how to manage and control these species.
12. Make sure any work that you do on a watercourse fits with the natural river system. Work must not damage wildlife and wherever possible you should try to improve the habitat.
13. Maintain watercourses running in a culvert as if it was an open watercourse.

Further information can be obtained from Hampshire County Council: –

Flood Information: www.hants.gov.uk/flooding and
Ordinary Watercourse Consenting information:
www.hants.gov.uk/flooding/watercourses or 01962 845518

Highways information:

www.hants.gov.uk/index/transport/roadproblems

This leaflet will be available to households shortly.

THE GRAND DAMERHAM
DUCK RACE
and MINI FAIR
Sponsored by **chesterton humbersts**
Saturday 19th April
from 12.30 at the Village Hall
DUCKS AWAY AT 2.30pm
LICENSED BAR, TEA & CAKES
HOG ROAST & BARBEQUE FROM 12.30
1st PRIZE £100 2nd £50 3rd £30 4th £20
SPECIAL PRIZES FOR THE LAST DUCK & 'WILD' DUCK
DUCK TICKETS £1 FROM
CROSSWAYS FARM DAMERHAM, DAMERHAM GARAGE,
COMMITTEE MEMBERS or on the day

Damerham Flower Group

Monday, April 14th at 7.30 p.m.
in Damerham Village Hall

Demonstration by Ann Marie Dicker
“That Spring Feeling”

Visitors are welcome.

Village Events Diary

March

Saturday, 29th Jumble sale
Damerham Village Hall 2.00 p.m.

April

Wednesday, 2nd Tea & Chat Musical Afternoon
Damerham Village Hall 2.00 p.m.
Saturday, 5th Damerham & District Hort. Soc Spring Show
Damerham Village Hall 2.00 – 4.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 9th Damerham & Martin W.I.
Damerham Village Hall 7.30 p.m.
Monday, 14th Damerham Flower Club
Damerham Village Hall 7.30 p.m.
Tuesday, 15th Kerbside Glass Collection
Early! From 7.00 a.m.
Saturday, 19th Damerham Duck Race From 12.30 p.m.
On the river!
Monday, 21st Car Boot Sale Sellers - 7.00 a.m.
Damerham Sports Field Buyers - 8.00 a.m.
Wednesday, 23rd St. George's Day Celebrations
Damerham Village Hall 12.30 p.m.

British Summer Time

Don't forget to put your clocks forward one hour
on the night of Saturday/Sunday, March 29th/30th

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