THE PARISH PUMP

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Please, don't forget!!

On Saturday, 27th September, the Coffee Pot is hosting an event which will be part of the MacMillan Cancer Research Campaign's "Biggest Coffee Morning".

Up and down the country, over just a couple of days, lots of people will be sitting down to coffee, buying raffle tickets, guessing the weight of the cake, and getting involved in loads of other cake-related activities.

Last year, this event raised £20 millions nationally and we are hoping to beat that (but not all from Damerham!)

So be there at the Village Hall from 10.00 to 12 noon to support the MacMillan nurses.

Admission is by donation, and we are hoping to be overwhelmed by numbers!

Can you help in a different way? We will need rather a lot of cake, and if you can make us one, we'll be more than grateful. And we are hoping to have a bric-a-brac stall. Have you got any suitable items for that?

Hope to see you there. Contact: Robin, on 01725 518861

Damerham Flower Group

The AGM of the Flower Group is to be held on Monday, October 20th in Damerham Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

to be followed by a talk by Rhada Foster
"An Indian Experience"

Visitors are welcome

Damerham Leisure Keeping physically active?

"We should all aim to do at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity each week, so build up to this if you haven't made exercise a normal part of your life previously."

Why not come to our Exercise class in the Village Hall - 6.30 on most Mondays and meet 40% of that goal. Only £4.00 per person per class or £6.00 for a couple.

This month's dates are October 6th, 13th & 27th

OCTOBER KERBSIDE GLASS COLLECTIONS

Our October Glass Collection will be from **7.00 a.m.** on **Tuesday**, **28**th **October**

Please make sure your "Bottle Box" is out in good time!

Damerham Parish Council

The Parish Council is two Councillors short at the moment. To be involved, members of the Council are expected to attend 6 to 8 meetings per year, usually on a Monday evening.

Should there be anyone living in the Parish of Damerham who may be interested in discussing the posts further or would like more information, please contact the Council Chairman, Phil Tandy on 01725 518802

URGENT APPEAL FOR A POPPY COLLECTOR

The Annual British Legion Poppy Appeal takes place between 25th October and 8th November this year.

We still need a Poppy Appeal Collector for High Street (You don't have to live in High Street to help with collections!)

Collection can take place any time during daylight hours in the authorised period. All poppies etc. will be provided.

If you can help with this worthwhile cause, contact please Cathy Godber, Honorary Poppy Appeal Organiser on 01725 518350 or by e-mail:-cathy-godber@tiscali.co.uk

Damerham Village Fair

Enclosed with this copy of The Pump is a message from the Chairman of the Damerham Village Fair Committee giving the results of this year's very successful Fair.

The Committee needs more helpers for the 2015 Fair if it is to continue in its present form. We are so dependent on having a strong Committee and now we need some new members to help with the planning and organisation.

Please read the contents of this flyer and if you want to help in any way, then please make contact by telephone with either Phil Tandy on 01725 518802 or Bob Gilbey on 01725 518417, or by e-mail to info@damerhamfair.co.uk

Please make a note in your diary - the AGM of the Damerham Village Fair Committee is to be held on the 20th October at 7.30 p.m. in Damerham Village Hall.

Just come along and find out about the workings of the Fair and see if there is any way that you can help!

NEAR AND FAR PRE-CHRISTMAS FAIR 2014

This year the Fair is on Saturday, 22nd November from $10.00 \ am - 2.00 \ pm$ in the Village Hall as usual.

This is a show case for truly local crafts-people and food producers (the "Near" of the title) and we hope that you will come along to see how much talent there is locally - and to stock up on Christmas presents, please!

All profits from this Fair go to Traidcraft - the "Far" part of the title that benefits those small producers in those developing countries who need our help in setting up their own businesses and lifting themselves out of poverty.

Morning coffee and cake + light bread and soup lunches will be provided by those well known providers of quality cream teas - the St Georges Church Fund Raising team!

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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DAMERHAM CRICKET CLUB - 2014 SEASON REVIEW

Last year, Damerham Cricket Club won promotion to Regional Division One (West) of the Hampshire Cricket League. This is the highest standard of organised league cricket that the club has played in its 180 year history, and our sole aim this year was to stay up.

This we managed, making the points we needed to be safe in the last game of the season. It's a challenging standard of cricket, but a good level for us, and we look forward to another successful season next year.

We also play in the Wimborne Wednesday evening league, as well as Sunday "friendlies". You can find out more about the cricket club at our excellent website - www.damerhamcc.com

We are a friendly club, always happy to welcome new players, umpires, scorers and supporters, so if you're at all interested in getting involved please contact us through the site. (Especially, as ever, if you happen to be a young fast bowler.)

Si White - Damerham Cricket Club

FunOuest Summer 2014

Wow, what an action packed Summer! We've filmed and edited (Smart Shoot Video), relaxed and created (Yoga), kicked and hit (ball skills), disguised and deciphered (Secret Agent), climbed and made fire (Avon Tyrell), stroked and observed (Creature Teachers), and baked and decorated (Bake off)!

To see photos of our amazing summer, please go to our Facebook page www.facebook.com/FunquestWesternDownland

We would like to say a great big THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make this summer such a success.

Thank you to all our specialists who ran sessions for us.

Thank you to all our volunteers who give up their time and make sure all the children participating in our events are not just safe, but having a great time.

Now to plan something spooky for half term...

Katherine Pavling, Play Leader

DAMERHAM & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Damerham Village Hall

Thursday, October 16th at 7.30 p.m. AGM of the Horticultural Society

preceded by drinks and nibbles and followed by a talk by Marcus Dancer entitled –

"Scented plants throughout the year".

Have you got a little while to spare?

We've got a vacancy at the Coffee Pot, for someone to join our team of volunteers. It's great fun, gives you a chance to meet friends and to make new ones. Our cakes are (mostly!) homemade, and we serve Traidcraft coffee in a bottomless cup.

Some of our customers tell us that they never think of doing anything else on a Wednesday morning!

All you need to do is to come along on a Wednesday morning once a month, and either work in the kitchen, or take the cash.

You will be giving up just 3 hours a month. If you can make us a cake we will be delighted, but you don't have to! And if you can't make it one Wednesday, no-one will hold it against you.

If you think you might like to give it a try, with no strings attached, please contact Robin Robbins on 01725 518 861.

Fordingbridge Friends of Cancer Research U.K.

"Autumn Fair" in Damerham Village Hall on Friday, October 10th from 9.30 am to 3.00 pm Many Stalls with Gifts, Clothing, Toys etc. Admission £3.00 For more information, please contact crukfordingbridgefriends@yahoo.com

Jumble Sale

Saturday, 11th October 2014 at 2.00 pm in Damerham Village Hall Jumble can be brought to the Village Hall from 10.00 am onwards on the day of the sale.

NO LARGE ITEMS OF FURNITURE, PLEASE!

Please support us - have a clear out before 'Christmas!!' All proceeds will go to St George's Church, Damerham.

Village Events Diary

<u>September</u>		
Saturday, 27 th	World's Biggest Coffee Morning	
	Damerham Village Hall 10.00 – 12.00 noon	
Tuesday 30 th	Kerbside Glass Collection	From 7.00 am
October		
Friday, 10 th	Autumn Fair for "Cancer Research UK"	
	Damerham Village Hall	
Saturday, 11 th	Jumble Sale in aid of St George's Church	
	Damerham Village Hall 2.	
Thursday, 16 th	AGM of the Horticultural Society	
	Damerham Village Hall	7.30 pm
Monday, 20 th	AGM of Damerham Village Fair Committee	
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