

# THE PARISH PUMP

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## The Annual Damerham Village Litter Pick

This year's litter pick is to take place over the weekend of 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> March.

### The Village needs an hour of your time!

Litter Grabs, Hi-Vis Jackets and Bin Bags can be picked up from the Bus Shelter

A map and list of the village in the Shelter will show the areas that need to be tackled. Please mark on this map the area that you intend to cover.

Please leave all filled bags between the Bus Shelter and the Phone Box



A BIG Thank-you to those who volunteer from Damerham Parish Council

**DAMERHAM & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**  
(Society affiliated with the Royal Horticultural Society and The Daffodil Society)  
(Covering Martin, Rockbourne, Sandleheath, Whitsbury as well as Damerham)

### Interested in gardens and gardening? Want to join?

Just send your cheque for £5.00 individual or £8.00 for a couple (payable to Damerham and District Horticultural Society) to Carolyn Andrews, Old Channel Hill Farmhouse, Damerham SP6 3HA or phone her on 01725 518802 for further details.

**Our next meeting is on: -**  
**Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 p.m.**  
**in Damerham Village Hall**  
**A talk with slides**

**By Christina Stapley – "Herbs for Fragrance & Foliage"**

## Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> March is Potato Day!

Potato Day is organised by DDHS in conjunction with Pennard Plants, who will be selling many varieties of Seed Potatoes – plus Heritage and Heirloom Seeds, Onion Sets, Shallot and Garlic Bulbs, Fruit Trees, Soft Fruit, Rhubarb and Asparagus - in fact everything for the Kitchen Garden.

Lots of advice will be available

Refreshments will be served.

## Damerham & District Horticultural Society "Spring Show"

**Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> March**

**in Damerham Village Hall 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.**

**Plant stall, Children's Potato Planting, Teas**

**Entrance £1.00 – Children Free if accompanied by an adult**

**Entries to the Spring Show are welcome from members, non-members and children.**

## DAMERHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council is now up to full strength, with new members now in place. The Council consists of:

**Phil Tandy** – Chairman, **David Crane** – Vice-Chairman, **Barry Vincent** – Traffic & Transport Representative, **Bob Gilbey**, **Mrs. Cathy Godber**, **Pete Doherty**, **Glyn Perrens**, **Richard Major** and **Mrs. Suzanne Musker**.

The Parish Clerk is **Mrs. Sue Sykes**.

**Spinney Adlem** is the Parish Watercourses Officer.

**Mrs. Roz Jones** is the Parish Footpaths Officer.

The Parish Council meets on the second Monday on alternate months – the next meeting is at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> in Damerham Village Hall

All are welcome and Parishioners can have their say in open forum at the start of the meeting. For more information, log on to the Parish Council web-site [www.damerham.net](http://www.damerham.net)



### Mini Bounce Session

**9.30 a.m. - 11.45 a.m., Damerham Village Hall.**

Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February and Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

There will be an extra session in Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> March but there will be no session on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> April as it is school holidays.

We'll have all the usual bouncy castle fun as well crafts, snacks, refreshments for the grown ups etc.

Suitable for children - birth to school age, plus mums, dads, grandparents and child-minders.

£2.75 for children over age 1 (and £1.00 for each additional child/sibling) £1.00 for under 1.

More info on our Facebook page or phone 07876 535 270.

### Tea & Chat - An Invitation....

On **Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February**, Janey Lewis will be returning to Tea and Chat to lead another "afternoon of song"!

We enjoyed having extra visitors last time, and were surprised at the progress our singing made even during this short session.

So if you fancy a doesn't-matter-how-good-you-are afternoon of song, do please swell our numbers.

We will be starting at **1.30 p.m.** this time, and we ask visitors to contribute £1.00 towards the afternoon refreshments.

We always welcome visitors to Tea and Chat – and you may be interested in our **March 4<sup>th</sup>** meeting too, when Betty Price (of Animals' Voice and Jessica's) will be coming to tell us about the work of her charity, and bringing some of her animal friends.

This session starts at our usual time of **2.15 p.m.**

### **Problems with Pot-Holes?**

Please report any pot-holes to Hampshire Highways -

On-line at [www.hants.gov.uk/roadproblems](http://www.hants.gov.uk/roadproblems)

or by phone on 01329 225393

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

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## Snowdrop Weekend



Snowdrop Weekend at St George's Church takes place on the Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> February this year.

Come and see the wonderful display of snowdrops in the ancient churchyard and then enjoy refreshments inside the church along with plants and produce for sale, plus books and various other stalls.

Donations of cakes for the teas would be very welcome, we expect a lot of people to come to the church over the weekend and homemade cakes are always popular.

12.00 noon until 4.00 p.m. each day.....Please come.

### A date for your Diary!

**Easter Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> April**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Boot Sale**

on Damerham Sports Field (behind The Compasses)

Sellers from 7.00 a.m. Buyers from 8.00 a.m.

Refreshments will be served.

More details in the next edition of The Pump

Raising funds for St. George's Church, Damerham

## **DAMERHAM FLOWER GROUP**

**In Damerham Village Hall**

**On Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 p.m.**

**Barbara Greaves**

**"What the Judge is looking for"**

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**On Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 p.m.**

**Martina Coleman & Philip Holley**

**"Tropical Treasures"**

**Visitors are welcome**



### **The Compasses Inn**

For information on events at The Compasses Inn -  
Please ring on 01725 518231 or log on to our website -  
[www.compassesinndamerham.co.uk/](http://www.compassesinndamerham.co.uk/)

## KERBSIDE GLASS COLLECTIONS

The February Glass Collection will be from **7.00 a.m.** on **Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February** and the March Glass Collection will be from **7.00 a.m.** on **Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March.**

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

## Hampshire Superfast Broadband

To find more information on the project progress and to register your interest - log on [www.hampshiresuperfastbroadband.com](http://www.hampshiresuperfastbroadband.com) enter your Post Code - and get the latest news from the team.

## Humble Lunch

Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February and the annual HUMBLE LUNCH will take place in the Village Hall between 12.00 noon and 1.30 p.m.

Donations for the lunch will go to the Salisbury Diocese Sudan Fund. Everyone is welcome to come and share soup and bread.

## The Coffee Pot

Last month, the volunteer's name drawn out of the bowler hat was that of Karen Lake. Karen's choice for our charity donation this time was Papyrus, a charity which supports young people who might be contemplating suicide.

We wonder whether people know about our Sales Table? You can bring things to the Coffee Pot for sale on any occasion. No commission - it's part of the service.

Remember this when you are swamped in runner beans - or Christmas presents you can't really use!

## The Damerham Duck Race and Mini-Fair

is coming soon!

**Make a note in your diary to be in the village on Easter Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April!!!**

## Village Events Diary

### February

Wednesday, 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Tea &amp; Chat- "Afternoon of Song"</b>	
	Damerham Village Hall	1.30 p.m.
Saturday, 14 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Snowdrop Weekend</b>	
	St. George's Church	12.00 noon - 4.00 p.m.
Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Damerham Flower Group</b>	
	Damerham Village Hall	7.30 p.m.
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Kerbside Glass Collection</b>	From 7.00 a.m.
Wednesday, 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Humble Lunch</b>	
	Damerham Village Hall	12.00 noon - 1.30 p.m.
Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>DDHS Talk on Herbs</b>	
	Damerham Village Hall	7.30 p.m.

### March

Wednesday, 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Tea &amp; Chat - Betty Price Talk</b>	
	Damerham Village Hall	2.15 p.m.
Sunday, 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>DDHS "Potato Day"</b>	
	Damerham Village Hall	10.30 a.m. - 2.30 p.m.
Monday, 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Damerham Parish Council meeting</b>	
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