

THE PARISH PUMP

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MAY 2015

Elections!

Don't forget to vote on 7th May in the General Election and also for our representative on New Forest District Council.

There is to be no Parish Council Election as the nine current Councillors have put forward their names for re-election and as nobody else has applied they are re-elected as unopposed.

The Polling Station is in Damerham Village Hall and voting can be done at any time between 7.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m.

Parish Assembly

The next Parish Council Meeting will take place on May 18th at 7.30 p.m. in Damerham Village Hall and will be preceded by the Parish Assembly – please come along and have your say on any matters of concern within the village.

Damerham & District Horticultural Society "MARTIN PLANT SALE"

Saturday 16th May, 2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Lime Trees Farmhouse, Martin

**An ideal opportunity to buy plants
at the beginning of the season**

Open to the public (non-members £3.00)

For more information, go to www.ddhs.co.uk

DAMERHAM FLOWER GROUP In Damerham Village Hall

On Monday, 18th May at 7.30 p.m.

**Denise Bright
"Room to Room"
Visitors are welcome**



"A Damn Fine Affair" returns to The Compasses Inn

**Fine Music | Fine Ales | Fine Company
Friday 19th - Sunday 21st June!**

Tickets now available at:

<http://www.musicunbuttoned.co.uk/dam-fine-affair.html>

More information in the next Parish Pump!

**To make bookings at The Compasses Inn,
please ring 01725 518231, call in or go on-line
to www.compassesinndamerham.co.uk/**

Don't forget to check the "A" Board for specials!

Fluffy Chicks Parent and Toddler Group

The next Fluffy Chicks parent & toddler "Mini Bounce" session will be in Damerham Village Hall on Tuesday, 5th May 2015, from 9.30 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.

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

Suitable for children from birth to school age, mums, dads, grandparents and childminders. £2.75 for children over age one (and £1 for each additional child/sibling) £1 for under ones.

We are also looking for people from the local community to join the committee this year. Every pair of hands helps keep our group running, so if you can offer any time, please let us know via our Facebook group or phone us on 0787 6535 270.

Damerham Cricket Club

The Cricket season begins in Damerham on Sunday, April 19th with a friendly against Ringwood, and our league season gets underway on Saturday, May 9th with a local Derby against friends and rivals in Hampshire Regional Division 1, Godshill.

We also play on Wednesday evenings in the Wimborne Evening League.

The Club is always delighted to welcome new players (especially if you happen to be a young fast bowler), umpires, scorers, groundsmen, grasscutters, pitch repairers and supporters.

If you are at all interested in getting involved beyond watching from the pub garden, please contact us through the club's excellent website www.damerhamcc.com

Si White - Damerham Cricket Club

KERBSIDE GLASS COLLECTIONS

Later this year, NFDC will be providing a reminder service in the form of a text message to residents on the day before the Kerbside Glass Collection date.

The Government supported "Remind and Reward Scheme" is being developed following service user feedback, which indicated that some residents forget that it is kerbside collection on the day and miss out.

Every resident who signs up for the scheme will be entered into a draw with locally produced prizes supported by Brand New Forest. For more information - brandnewforest.com

In addition, people who sign up will have the opportunity to obtain a Brand New Forest Card, worth £5.00, giving them access to offers and discounts at over 250 local businesses throughout the forest.

**The May Glass Collection will be from 7.00 a.m.
on Tuesday, 12th May. Please make sure your
"Bottle Box" is out in good time!**

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 Parish Council

Damerham Parish Council would like to thank all those good people who took part in the Litter Pick over the weekend of 28th/29th March.

Over a dozen black bags of rubbish were collected – it just goes to show how inconsiderate some motorists are in dumping their rubbish when driving through the village!

Martin and Damerham W.I.

Our little W.I. has had some brilliant speakers over the last few months; Sarah Farmer from BBC South Today, the History of Poole Pottery told to us by Mr Nicholls, and Wild Scotland, a fascinating glimpse of the wildlife to be found in the north.

We would love to see more members joining us; we meet in Damerham Village Hall on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. So why not come.

In the months to come we are planning a Ladies Night at Salisbury Racecourse, a trip to Brownsea Island and a 'big' tea to celebrate 100 years of the W.I. This will be in September and more details are yet to come.

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

The Great Little Plant Sale

We can hardly believe it ourselves, but this is the 6th year that we have staged the Great Little Plant Sale at Damerham Village Hall. As usual, we'll be selling a range of perennial plants, together with some vegetables and annuals.

We grow the plants ourselves, with some help from local friends, so we know just how they have been reared – and that they like our local soil. There are lots to choose from – and the GLPS has proved to be more popular every year.

Last year, we introduced the Seed Swap, and asked folk to bring excess seeds to the Sale, and to swap them for something else. There were lots of bringers, but sadly, few people took seeds away!

So remember to have a look at the Swap Table, and even if you have no seeds to bring, help yourself to a packet or two to try.

And when you have triumphantly chosen your plants and pocketed your seeds, why not enjoy coffee and biscuits with your friends?

Please come to the Great Little Plant Sale on Sunday afternoon, 3rd May, from 2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. Admission is free!

Tea & Chat - "Fancy A New Look for Spring?"

On Wednesday, 6th May, a mobile fashion company called "Pure Style" are coming to Tea & Chat at 2.15pm, to give us a fashion display, and offer their wares for sale.

So if you would like to join us for the afternoon, and have a look at their wide range of fashions, you would be very welcome. As a visitor, we'd charge you £1, which would include refreshments.

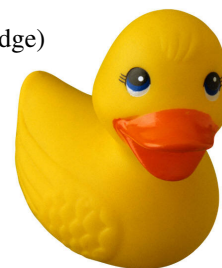
For more information, please ring Robin Robbins - 518 861

The Grand Damerham Duck Race Results

- 1st Duck - 1433 - Shelley (Alderholt)
2nd Duck - 718 - Steve (Damerham)
3rd Duck - 940 - James (1) (Fordingbridge)
4th Duck - 1726 - James (2)
Last Duck - 1084 - Liam
'Wild Duck' - 1218 - John Mee

EXTRA LARGE DUCK RACE

- 1st Duck - 46 - Latasha
2nd Duck - 14 - Steve (Damerham)
3rd Duck - 45 - Midge (Damerham)



The organisers would like to thank EVERYONE for their wonderful support, but especially to David and Peter Bryant for allowing us to use their river and their help in the meadow, clearing the river; Eddie & Robin Robbins for invaluable help with the Mini Fair headed by Sue Huzzey and to their helpers; Barry & Carol Vincent for the Fair Prizes and Derek Hall for the Ticket Sorting.

The Compasses Inn, Damerham Garage & the Rackham Family for selling tickets and The Bear Inn (Wilton) for their donation from the Bar profits.

Special thanks too for the donations of cakes etc., and to the very hard working Tea, BBQ and Bar Staff, Duck, Raffle Ticket & Toy Sellers & Duck Sorters, St. John Ambulance, the River & Finish Stewards –

(and anyone else we've forgotten!).

To our Sponsors - **WE THANK YOU!**



This year was another record for attendance and for Duck sales and the Hall Committee is very grateful to everyone who came and made the afternoon such a great success.

Over £3,400 profit was made which will help tremendously to maintain and improve the facilities at the Village Hall.

VILLAGE EVENTS DIARY

May

Sunday, 3 rd	"Great Little Plant Sale"	
	Damerham Village Hall	2.00 - 4.30 p.m.
Tuesday, 5 th	Fluffy Chicks – "Mini Bounce" session	
	Damerham Village Hall	9.30 – 11.45 a.m.
Wednesday, 6 th	Mobile Fashion Show and Shop	
	Damerham Village Hall	2.15 p.m.
Tuesday, 12 th	Kerbside Glass Collection	From 7.00 a.m.
Wednesday, 13 th	W.I. Meeting	
	Damerham Village Hall	7.30p.m.
Saturday, 16 th	Horticultural Society Plant Sale	
	Lime Trees Farmhouse, Martin	2.00 – 4.00p.m.
Monday, 18 th	Damerham Flower Group	
	Damerham Village Hall	7.30 p.m.
Monday, 18 th	Parish Assembly & Parish Council Meeting	
	Damerham Village Hall	7.30p.m.

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