

THE PARISH PUMP

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“Litter Pickers!” – What a wonderful turn-out!

Thank you to all the people who have made such a fantastic job of clearing the rubbish in and around our village!

Without your help, the 25 or so bags full of all sorts of litter would still be scattered around our beautiful Damerham village – and that isn't what anybody wants to see.

From the Parish Council – a Big Thank You!

DAMERHAM & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

SPRING SHOW

SATURDAY 2nd April

Damerham Village Hall

2.00pm - 4.00pm

TEAS

Admission: £1.00

Members and Children Free

Entries welcome from non members and children
Schedules available from
Jan Burnell, 2 Park Villas, Damerham
or www.ddhs.co.uk

And now for something quite different!

The “Boutique in a Bus”

is coming to Damerham Sports Field

on Saturday, April 23rd

St. George's Day

From 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.

+ Mini-Market & Refreshments in The Pavilion.

See the flyer for more information!

KERBSIDE GLASS COLLECTIONS

The April Kerbside Glass Collection will be on
Tuesday, 12th April from 7.00 a.m.

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

Changes to the Market Bus service!

With effect from the 10th April, the Damory Market Days bus service Route 302 will be withdrawn, and it will be replaced on **Tuesday's only** by a local scheme being provided by Herrington Coaches Ltd.

Timetable for Service 49 from 12th April 2016

	<u>Out</u>	<u>Back</u>
Damerham Bus Shelter (on demand)	09.10	14.25
Sandleheath Crossroads	09.15	14.20
“Augustus John”	09.20	14.15
Fordingbridge, Parsonage Park	09.23	14.12
Brookheath	09.29	14.06
Whitsbury, Lower Grove	09.31	14.04
Breamore, Upper Street	09.37	13.58
Charlton-all-Saints (on demand)	09.47	13.48
Salisbury, New Canal	10.05	13.30

On demand means that if there are no passengers to be dropped off, the bus will not stop there!

Bus passes will be accepted.

It's a “use it or lose it” service, so please support this new service as much as possible.

A reminder for those who wish to travel to Fordingbridge, there is still the **“Fordingbridge TaxiShare Service”**.

It is similar to a bus service; only a taxi will take up to eight passengers from their homes and drop them off back home again later in the day.

The taxi will take you to Fordingbridge Post Office, the Co-op, the Main Car Park or the Fordingbridge Doctor's surgery and it could tie in with the X3 regular bus services to Salisbury, Ringwood or Bournemouth.

The service operates from Tuesday to Friday in the western area and is free to those who have either a disabled person's bus pass or an older person's bus pass (after 9 a.m.).

If you don't have a bus pass then the fare is £4 return.

You need to register with Hampshire County Council to use the service. The number to call to register is **01962 846786**.

You will be sent membership information with the booking number to ring when you would like to travel. Ideally you should book by 4 pm the day before you wish to travel.

A leaflet on the service is available from HCC from the phone number as above or on-line from: -

http://www3.hants.gov.uk/fordingbridge_taxishare_leaflet.pdf

The Great Little Plant Sale.

Look out for next month's Pump for full details of this year's Great Little Plant Sale.

It will be held on Sunday, 1st May, and this time it is in aid of the Fordingbridge First Responders.

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's Loyal Variety Show



**Preparations are in full swing for
Damerham's Loyal Variety Show on June 11th**

**Acts are now booked and our thanks to
everyone who has offered help & support.**

**These events are costly to stage, so if you
would be able to sponsor us, this would be
excellent & gratefully received.**

Tickets will go on sale officially in May

Please contact Pam Lay 01725 518034

Any questions: gilly@stavedenedesigns.com

THE REAL BIRTHDAY OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

As a part of the nationwide celebrations to mark this unique occasion and to honour Her Majesty's unparalleled service to our country, beacons will be lit across the land on the actual 90th birthday of Queen Elizabeth II: Thursday, 21st April 2016.

Notices will go up nearer the time – but to be there for the lighting of Damerham's own village beacon, you will need to be up in Church Lane by 7.30pm on the evening of the 21st April.

**A typically Damerham Field Party
Saturday, 11th June from 12 – 3.30**



Arrangements are well in hand for 11th June.

Watch this space for full details next month!

In the meantime volunteers are still needed to oversee small parts of the afternoon – just speak to Sue Sykes or Cathy Godber.

Tea & Chat

We had to change our programme owing to the sad passing of our Life President, Jean Harris.

Malcolm Connolly very kindly swapped bookings, and came to our March meeting.

The "Owl Lady" will be coming on Wednesday, April 6th, at 2.15 p.m. to Damerham Village Hall.

As usual, visitors will be most welcome

DAMERHAM'S DEFIBRILLATOR

On Friday, March 4th, the Damerham defibrillator was commissioned by Andy Carr of the Fordingbridge Community First Responders.

The device is installed on the corner of Damerham Village Hall and its GPS location has been registered with South Central Ambulance Service and the AED locator web-site.

Please note that in normal operation, the unit has a flashing white light at night. This light will turn to flashing red if the temperature drops below 5 degrees C or exceeds 40.

If the cabinet is opened, a loud siren will go off to notify residents that the device is in use.

A list of responsible persons familiar with the use of the defibrillator will be published shortly, but please remember **any person can use the device as it is fully automated!**

As a separate exercise, CardioPulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training is being organised – if you are interested in joining in this First Aid training, please watch for the date of this course to be advised in the next Pump.

VACANCIES ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

Two Councillors have announced their intention to stand down from the Parish Council at the Annual Parish Meeting on the 9th May, both having served several terms of office and are now moving on to other things.

Could this be something that you could take on? Have you ever wondered if you could volunteer to serve the village as a Councillor? If so, then please turn it over in your mind over the next few weeks.

You are most welcome to speak to me about the role or to any existing Councillor.

We have to follow a legal procedure for the nomination of prospective councillors and notice of these vacancies will be posted on the Parish board and on the web site after May 9th.

Following that, if any 10 electors of the parish put forward the name of a prospective councillor, then an election will be held.

If this does not happen then the Parish Council can co-opt a new councillor without the necessity of a formal election.

Sue Sykes - Clerk to the Council

VILLAGE EVENTS DIARY

April

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| Saturday, 2nd | Damerham & District HortSoc Spring Show | |
| | Damerham Village Hall | 2.00 p.m. – 4.00p.m. |
| Wednesday, 6th | Tea & Chat – "The Owl Lady" | |
| | Damerham Village Hall | 2.15 p.m. |
| Tuesday, 12th | Household Glass Collection | from 7.00 a.m. |
| Thursday, 21st | Lighting the Beacon 90th Birthday celebrations | |
| | Church Lane | 7.30 p.m. |
| Saturday, 23rd | "Boutique in a Bus" + MiniMarket | |
| | Sports Field Pavilion | 10.30 a.m. – 2.30 p.m. |

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