

THE PARISH PUMP

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JUNE 2018

Damerham Parish Council are pleased to present...

Tales from the Orchard

Firelit Stories from Old Damerham and Hampshire
With Jason Buck

Friday 22 June from 7pm

At the Community Meadow,
West Park Lane, Damerham



Tickets: FREE!!!

Or £5 if you would like a delicious, hot pie

chicken + ham, steak + kidney or goats cheese + cranberry, all served
with mash and onion gravy

**** This is a family and adult event, and may not be
suitable for young children ****

Please bring your own seating, a blanket, a torch.
Be aware the ground is uneven, and by the stream, there will
also be a fire! You are welcome to bring your own drinks and
refreshments, but please take your rubbish home with you!

Loos will be available at the Village Hall.

Donation buckets, will help to raise money for future events
on the Meadow.

Pies supplied from the Riverside Kiosk in Fordingbridge.

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To book your free places, add your details to the sign-up sheet at  
Crossways Farm, or to book a place and a pie, put your name, pie  
choice and payment in an envelope and leave at Crossways Farm.

Your pie(s) will be delivered to the Meadow just before the  
storytelling begins. Or you could just turn up on the night (no pie!)

Tickets are also available from  
[talesfromtheorchard.eventbrite.co.uk](http://talesfromtheorchard.eventbrite.co.uk) (booking fee applies)

If the weather is bad, the event will be held in the Village Hall

More info from Mandy on 07799 080067

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Look out for TUFF who will be playing on the Meadow once a  
week during the school summer holidays

- more info to come soon!

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### Kerbside Glass collection

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June  
from 7.00am**



The full 2018/19 glass collection calendar is now available  
on the NFDC website: [www.newforest.gov.uk/glass](http://www.newforest.gov.uk/glass)

If you have anything you wish to include in next month's  
edition of the Pump, please email the editor Maria Langdown  
on: [m4lang@hotmail.com](mailto:m4lang@hotmail.com) by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

### Tea and Chat 2018



Our April meeting was a brief wander down  
memory lane and great fun looking through the  
Village Photograph Albums. Thanks to Mike and for his  
legendary anecdotes.

The visit from the Beaulieu Chocolatier at May's meeting  
gave us a chance to sample lots of chocolate of varying  
strengths and was very moreish.

We enjoyed an interesting visit to the Fordingbridge Regal  
Cinema with thanks to Sue, Ruth and Barry. It is a great  
piece of restoration and a luxury venue - highly  
recommended.

We also had a short trip to Stewarts Garden Centre in  
Christchurch for a little retail therapy. They do a mean  
Quiche too!!

Our meeting on **June 6<sup>th</sup>** is a Strawberry Cream Tea by the  
river, hopefully with gazebos for shelter from the sun,  
rather than rain cover! And, finally, at our July 4<sup>th</sup> meeting,  
Guide dogs for the Blind will be giving us a talk together  
with a Puppy Walker and her four-legged charge.

New Members are always very welcome, Cherry (518538)

*The Angel & The Fallen*  
*A Concert Commemorating the  
Centenary of the First World War*

**The Band of The Scots Guards**

Presented by Alastair Stewart  
Featuring

**LAURA WRIGHT**  
*English South Ballet*

**St John Singers**  
*A Choir in Salisbury*

**The Cathedral Junior  
and Youth Choirs**

**SALISBURY CATHEDRAL**  
Saturday 7th July 2018 - 7.30pm

**BOX OFFICE**  
[www.cathedralconcerts.co.uk](http://www.cathedralconcerts.co.uk)  
or 01725 512799

IN AID OF  
The Royal British Legion  
Reg. Charity No: 219279

A free coach will go from Damerham leaving at 6pm  
(time tbc); places must be pre-booked  
Please contact Cathy Godber on 01425 650044.

### CAKES PLEASE

The WI are doing the teas again for this year's Village Fair  
on Saturday 28th July and we will be most grateful for  
donations of cakes; we need as many as possible. Please  
bring them to the cricket club pavilion on Saturday morning  
or if not Friday evening. Many thanks.

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### PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES

Thank you to all residents who attended our **Annual Parish Assembly** on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May. They were warmly welcomed by the Chairman Cllr David Crane and valuable feedback was given on the Parish Council's proposals for road improvements and signage in and around the village.

Updates were also shared regarding the improvements to Footpath 49, which have been delayed from 14<sup>th</sup> May to 29<sup>th</sup> May. The major improvements to replace the boardwalk and switch the stiles to gates will last 4 weeks, during which time the footpath will be closed.

Also, plans are afoot to protect the verge and improve the drainage opposite the School to prevent the flooding experienced last winter.

Don't forget to **report any potholes** via the Hantsweb reporting function – you can register at [www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems](http://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems). You can also report tree or hedge problems, flooding or drainage issues, and broken and missing traffic signs.

Following Barry Vincent stepping down from the Parish Council after many years of valuable service, we have a **vacancy to co-opt a new councillor**. If you are interested, please get in touch with Cllr David Crane 01725-518790 or the Parish Clerk Natasha Mackenzie 07929-379646 for a no-obligation chat. We meet 8-12 times a year on a Monday evening for 2 hours to work together to deliver improvements to the parish, enrich the community, discuss planning applications, review consultations, and lots more.

It is a varied and rewarding way to get involved with your community and the best way to find out what it's like to be a parish councillor is to talk to someone who's doing it now. Come along to a parish council meeting, or speak to one of our councillors and find out what they think of the voluntary role.

Our next **full council meeting is on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July** at 7.30pm in Damerham Village Hall.

### Walking Challenge in Spain update

I completed my 105kms Walking Challenge in the required 4 days in Spain. It was a real challenge indeed with adverse conditions due to unprecedented rainfall for 2 weeks prior to arrival washing the paths away and bringing down rocks and boulders. Despite the adversities it was still a fabulous walk in a most beautiful area of Spain and a real sense of achievement. We had great back up from our lovely Spanish friends.

I raised £440 for Hearing Dogs for deaf people which is fantastic and I wanted to say huge thank you for the wonderful support people gave me and all your very kind and generous donations, it really is very much appreciated. Between us we raised nearly £900 for an amazing and worthwhile charity.

Katie Stephens

**DAMERHAM'S**  
**50th Anniversary**  
**Tent Dance**  
**Saturday July 28th**  
**The Rebbels**  
**playing music**  
**from the 60's & 70's**  
**Tony's Hot Food Van**  
**Licensed Bar**  
**(courtesy of the Compasses Inn**  
**From 7.30pm**  
**Tickets (wrist bands) £5 (food not included)**

From Mike, Crossways Farm, Damerham 07785 181702

[ehsemail@googlemail.com](mailto:ehsemail@googlemail.com)

Sharon Perrett or via the Damerham Village Hall's Facebook page

No entry without ticket (wrist band)

### DAMERHAM VILLAGE FAIR

This year's Charity is Families of Ocean Ward, Southampton Hospital

### BOTTLE STALL

We will be doing a house to house collection for Bottles of any description; Wine, Beer, Squash, Shampoo, Ketchup etc. and would really welcome your contributions.

Please make a note of collection dates in your diaries.

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - High Street, West Park Lane and East End

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July** - South End, Mill End, The Common and Cornpits Lane

Collections will be between 4pm and 7pm

Tim at the Garage has very kindly agreed to be a collection point for bottles again this year if we miss you.

Thanking you all in advance, Simon and Cherry Brittan

P.S. Any unwanted books you have would be very welcome for the Tea and Chat Stall at the Fair.

### VILLAGE EVENTS DIARY

#### JUNE 2018

|                           |                                            |        |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------|
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> | Tea & Chat<br>Cream tea by the river       |        |
| Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>  | DCC Cricket match<br>Sportsfield           | 1.00pm |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>   | Tales from the orchard<br>Community Meadow | 7pm    |
| Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> | DCC Cricket match<br>Sportsfield           | 1.00pm |

For new residents: lots of information on the village is to be found on the Damerham web site [www.damerham.net](http://www.damerham.net)

A welcome pack is also available from the Clerk [clerk@damerham.net](mailto:clerk@damerham.net) for new comers and their good neighbours.

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