



## Beautiful Melodies for You

### The Millstream Orchestra

Conductor, Janine Young

Leader, Matthew Lloyd-Wilson

Guest Flautist, Beverley Miller



**Saturday  
18th May 2019**  
2.00pm for 2.30pm

**Parsons Meadow  
Damerham**

*(By kind permission of John & Tiggy Underhill)*  
(or in village hall if wet)

**Tickets £3.00**

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Sandleheath Post Office

☎01425 650044 & 653217 or

On line: [c.pollard@doccombe.com](mailto:c.pollard@doccombe.com)

*A glorious afternoon of music to suit all tastes*

*Creams Teas, Bottle Stall, & Raffle.*

**Proceeds to St George's Church**

## Tea and Chat



We have had a very busy start to the year, March and April being no exception. For our March meeting, we were honoured to have Eddie Martin B.E.M to talk to us about his amazing work in Burkina Faso - raising funds to provide clean water wells for thousands of people living in very dangerous conditions; an inspirational yet ordinary man who is dedicating his tragic loss to this fantastic project.

March also saw our first outing of the year. JHG Puzzles, the only makers of jigsaws in England, located in the pretty village of Ashmore was an interesting destination. Not only was it found in a converted cattle barn, but run by only three people capable of producing over 2,000 jigsaws a day! The tour was followed by delicious homemade cakes and tea.

The April meeting mixed Year 2 children from our local school with the group and was a really fun afternoon. Together the children made Easter crowns and Easter trees and engaged with us all so well. Beautifully behaved and totally absorbed, they left with some very colourful creations. A big thank you to the school staff and helpers for making this happen. Hopefully we will repeat it sometime.

Cranborne Garden centre was the destination for the April outing; a relaxed, informal and jolly occasion with lots of chatting over lunch. Sitting surrounded by beautiful plants and plenty of sunshine made the day.

The next meeting is on **May 1<sup>st</sup>** where the Blue Lamp Trust will be talking to us about ways to keep us safe in the home. All welcome as usual. For more information contact Cherry on 518538

## Damerham Horticultural Society Martin Plant Sale



Saturday 18th May 2-4pm

at Read's Farmhouse SP6 3LN

Good value plants and other stalls including pottery  
Delicious tea and cakes!

**Entrance ticket £1.00**

Full details for all events can be found on our website

[www.ddhs.co.uk](http://www.ddhs.co.uk)

## Damerham Village Fair

Is it in your diary - **Saturday 27th July?**

In the main arena this year we hope to have the return of the **Damerham Derby**, plus a marching Pipe Band, Western Downland School Maypole dancing and the Wilton Hounds. There will be all the usual attractions and games, including the Space Hoppers and for the first time **Kids Pedal Car racing**. Together with the outside stall and games, it promises to be a bumper year for entertainment!

The return of the Derby brings a great spectacle and fun to the Fair. We aim to run two races and are looking for sponsorship of £50 per horse. We also need jockeys. Please contact either the chairman or Kirsty Anderson on 07967 821729 or via email at

[kirsty.kirstyanderson@gmail.com](mailto:kirsty.kirstyanderson@gmail.com) for more details.

New for this year we are looking for musicians to play in the Tea area, if you would like to be involved please contact the chairman.

To make this event a success we need volunteers to help set up on the Thursday and Friday prior to the Fair and then to help clear away on the Saturday after the Fair. If you have an hour or two to spare we would be very grateful. On Fair day we need gate staff and people to help run the stalls, these are done on short time slots so everyone can enjoy the Fair.

The fair is an important fundraiser for organisations within the village. If you can help in any way, please get in touch contact, we welcome your support.

Phil Tandy, Chairman 01725 518802 or 07917807088

[www.damerhamfair.co.uk](http://www.damerhamfair.co.uk)

## Kerbside Glass collection

**All glass bottles & jars, no lids and  
no broken glass please**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May  
from 7.00am**



For the full 2019/20 collection calendar and details of what can and cannot be recycled: [www.newforest.gov.uk/glass](http://www.newforest.gov.uk/glass)

# The Parish Pump



# May 2019

A regular newsletter from Damerham Parish Council  
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## Parish Council Updates

All residents are very welcome to our **Annual Parish Assembly** on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm** to hear our District Councillor give a short overview on the overall Hampshire and NFDC policy and any implications for Damerham. Also, an open forum allows any questions to be put forward.

This meeting is immediately followed by the Parish Council's Annual Meeting, where the Chair and Vice Chair are elected, along with other council business.

Please come along and support this event and find out what is happening in your parish.

On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, your current eight members of the Parish Council will be elected uncontested. This leaves **one vacancy for co-option**. If you are interested, please get in touch with the Clerk or one of the councillors to find out more about what is involved in this volunteer role.

Sincere thanks to all those who turned out to support the parish's **Litter Pick** on the weekend in late March.

A large amount of litter was collected, if only it wasn't dropped in the first place! The next one will be scheduled for September/October – do get in touch with the Parish Clerk if you would like to help organise it, or have any ideas/suggestions.

[www.damerham.net](http://www.damerham.net)

**Damerham Village Hall Committee** would like to thank Chris Armitage for so cleverly carving the shape of a duck in the fallen poplar tree on the river edge opposite the village. Also thank you to Donna Stacey for so beautifully painting it. The **'Damerham Duck'** is already turning into a village focal point and is such good fun. Some good came out of Storm Gareth after all!

## The Grand Damerham Duck Race

### Results 2019

1<sup>st</sup> Duck: 1288 - Stevens (Martin)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Duck: 1262 - Wood  
3<sup>rd</sup> Duck: 660 - Wells  
4<sup>th</sup> Duck: 1278 - Lunt  
Last Duck: 331 - S Bateman (Damerham)  
'Wild Duck': 312 - G Huzzey (Damerham)

### Extra Large Duck race

1<sup>st</sup> Duck: 54 - Pascoe  
2<sup>nd</sup> Duck: 24 - A Bellows (Damerham)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Duck: 12 - Norton

The organisers would like to thank **EVERYONE** for their wonderful support but especially to the Bryant family for allowing us to use their river and meadows, **without their permission**, this popular event would not happen.

Thank you to the organisers of the Mini Fair headed by Sue Huzzey, Steve Bateman and Victoria Wheeldon and to their wonderful helpers, who continue to come back for more, every year! We are grateful to you. Barry & Carol Vincent for the Football prizes. Special thanks to Eddie & Robin Robbins for sorting the tombola prizes & to The Rackham Family, the Herrington Family & Stacey Family for their solid support, The Compasses Inn for their ticket sales, Jason Sims for his generous donation from the bar profits and Limecoast Catering with their hot food van and for their donation. Special thanks too, for the donations of cakes etc donated on the day and to the very hard working tea ladies (& men), duck ticket sellers (very stressful task!), St. John Ambulance, the river & finish stewards and for all the help in taping off the river and again getting all the stakes and tape in afterwards, such a great effort from everybody!

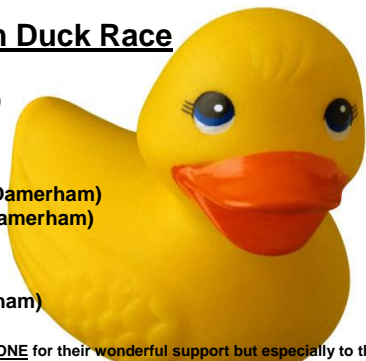
The ducks are drying off having been washed soon to be back in hibernation until Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2020...

To MINI BOUNCE for sponsoring the raffle, thank you Andy and to anyone else we've forgotten, THANK YOU!

## To our Sponsors Woolley & Wallis - WE THANK YOU!

The Chairman Carolyn Armitage and the Hall Committee are very grateful to everyone who came to support us and made the afternoon such a success in the beautiful sunshine, it is very much appreciated. We could not have asked for better weather, as the ice cream sales proved!

Approx £2500 profit was made which will help tremendously to maintain & improve facilities at the Village Hall, including this year replacement fire doors in the main hall and new efficient hand dryers for the loos.



## **Damerham Community Meadow Spring Early Nature Watch**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30am at the Meadow (weather permitting!)**

*Come along and see what is going on in the stream, and on the meadow as it wakes up for the summer. Knowledgeable local folk on hand to show you what you might not otherwise see! Just turn up – all ages welcome.*

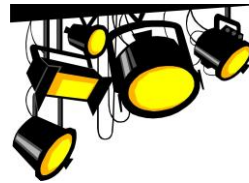
*Please see the attached leaflet for details of all the events planned at the meadow for this year.*

## **A Thank You to all of Damerham**

From Dylan Hansen

Thanks to your continued support, I have reached my £3,500 target for the Scout Jamboree and I'm all ready to go in July. I would like to give a special mention to the Coffee Pot and Robin Robbins for their support over the last year. Thank you everyone and I look forward to the coming trip.

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Save the date... following the success of the first event, the second

## **DAMERHAM LOYAL VARIETY SHOW**

Will be on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November, at the Village Hall. More details and ticket information to follow...

In the meantime we are looking for volunteer stage managers and crew to support the event. If you would like to know more, please contact Gilly Chance on 07774 995964 or via email [gilly@stavedenedesigns.com](mailto:gilly@stavedenedesigns.com)

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## VILLAGE EVENTS DIARY May 2019

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Tea & Chat Village Hall	2.00pm
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Nature Watch Damerham Community Meadow	7.30am
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	DDHS Plant Sale Read's Farmhouse, Martin	2.00 - 4.00pm
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Beautiful Melodies Parsons Meadow, Damerham (Ticket only event)	2.00pm
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Parish Assembly Damerham Village Hall	7.00pm

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**\*\* Please note the deadline for the May edition is earlier than usual \*\***

*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 10<sup>th</sup> May**.

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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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