



## Your Village Hall (A Personal Plea)

As many of you are aware, I have looked after the village hall for over 31 years now. My health is not quite as good as it was, so I really want to enjoy my retirement without the ties of the last three decades if I can. It is time for me to step back.

We are looking for one keen person, or a small group who could share the responsibilities of general maintenance and upkeep, in return for an honorarium.

I am happy to still be involved in fundraising etc, be on the committee if I am needed and help with village events.

It can be a gradual change over if necessary, but I will stop soon!

So, come on Damerham – please step up now!

Mike Jerrard, Crossways Farm

Please contact Mike - [ebsemail@googlemail.com](mailto:ebsemail@googlemail.com)  
or secretary Sharon Perrett - [sharon54mia@btinternet.com](mailto:sharon54mia@btinternet.com)

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## **DAMERHAM FAIR CONTAINER APPEAL**

Winners for March (Draw No 7 of 12)

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Ball 6 – Pennie Hudson-Ward

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Ball 15 – Lucinda Bolton-Carter

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Ball 24 – Undisclosed

Should anyone who is not already taking part in the 100 Club like to get involved, details can be found at the Website along with a video of all the draws

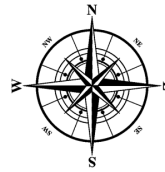
[www.damerhamfair.co.uk](http://www.damerhamfair.co.uk)

or

<https://www.facebook.com/damerhamvillage/>

Thank you for your support

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## **THE COMPASSES INN DAMERHAM**

*We are delighted to let you know that The Compasses will be reopening from the 12th of April.*

*Initially we will be offering outdoor beer garden table service with our new summer menu, which you can find on our website and facebook page. Food will be served Monday-Sunday 12-4pm and 5-9pm.*

*Garden table reservations are being taken now and are going fast! Get in touch to make a reservation.*

*We look forward to welcoming you back into our garden with a cold pint or G&T!*

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A massive thank you to all the cake makers, and the people who bought them, for their generosity. Over £900 has been given to St George's Church and we are very grateful.

We hope that you all had a chance to visit the church and saw the wonderful display of snow drops.

John and Cathy Godber  
Churchwardens

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## Got a signature dish you want to share?

The Damerham Cook Book would love to hear about it!

Thanks to those who have submitted recipes already, but we would love some more please! Along with any of your culinary hints and tips, genius hacks or family favourites.

Please send them to Cathy Godber 01425 650044 or [cathy-godber@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:cathy-godber@tiscali.co.uk).



## EASTER HAT COMPETITION



Easter is nearly upon us, and thoughts of eggs, new life, bunnies and chicks spring to mind.

Are you creative? We are having a competition open to **everyone** and invite **anyone** to design an **Easter Hat**.

This is a community village project and for fun only - a non-profit making competition. But there will be prizes for each of the 4 categories.

Best adult creation

Ages 11- 16

Ages 6 - 10

Ages 5 and under

Please register your interest to compete to either:

[gillychance@gmail.com](mailto:gillychance@gmail.com) or [kirsty.kirstyanderson@gmail.com](mailto:kirsty.kirstyanderson@gmail.com)

Entries to be PDF images of the hat only -no faces please and to be submitted by **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April latest**.

**Winners to be announced on Saturday 3rd April 2021.**

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## News to share, or a village event to publicise?

If you would like to be added to the mailing list, or you have anything you would like to include into the May edition, please email me at [victoriawheeldon@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:victoriawheeldon@hotmail.co.uk) by **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April**.

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### Household Glass collection

- All glass bottles & jars
- Metal lids only
- No loose or plastic lids
- No broken glass



**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April  
from 7.00am**

For the full 2020/21 collection calendar and details of what can and cannot be recycled: [www.newforest.gov.uk/glass](http://www.newforest.gov.uk/glass)

## News from the Parish Council

Following pressure from the Parish Council we are glad to report that most of the potholes down Court Hill have been fixed, however others remain and are being followed up with Hampshire Highways.

The recent spate of attempted break ins in the village has caused concern. The Parish Council hopes to be able to re-energise the Neighbourhood Watch scheme in all areas of the village. We have also been in touch with our local police community officer and hope to have some information shortly.

On this subject, the Parish Council will be holding the **Annual Parish Assembly on May 24<sup>th</sup> from 7.30pm** in the Village Hall, subject to Covid regulations remaining as they currently are. All residents are invited, although we will only be allowed 30 people in the Hall, who must adhere to social distancing. We hope to have our Police Community Officer Stephen May in attendance who will be able to answer questions that you may have. The Assembly will also provide an opportunity for the Parish Council to present the work it is doing on Affordable Housing in the village and the production of a Village Design Statement to help with planning decisions.

Finally to prove that summer is on the horizon, the TUFF sessions for children in the village will be running again this year during the school holidays in August. These sessions will be at West Park Meadow and will be free to all participants, courtesy of the Parish Council. Further information will be available nearer the time.

David Crane.

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