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Dates for your diary

OCTOBER 2022

- 1st Oct - NTC's Macbeth 7.30pm Village Hall
- 7th Oct - Frosty's Fish & Chips 4.30-7.00pm
- 8th Oct - Holiday Club Extra & Youth Extra
- 8th Oct - Pop Up Café 2-4pm
- 9th Oct - Cyclone Festival of Cycling (note road closures)
- 12th Oct - WI 7.30pm Village Hall
- 18th Oct - Walking Group meet 10am
- 22nd Oct - Crafty Reivers Village Hall 10am-4pm

Save the Date:

- 5th Nov - Stamfordham Bonfire & Fireworks
- 9th Dec - Festive Wreath-Making

Tuesdays - Stamfordham Art Group, Village Hall 10am-1pm



**Stamfordham
Pop-Up Cafe**

POP UP CAFÉ NEWS

Saturday 8th October
2.00 - 4.00pm

Tea and Cake
Join your friends and enjoy a chat




**Stamfordham
Pop-Up Cafe**

Stamfordham Women's Institute

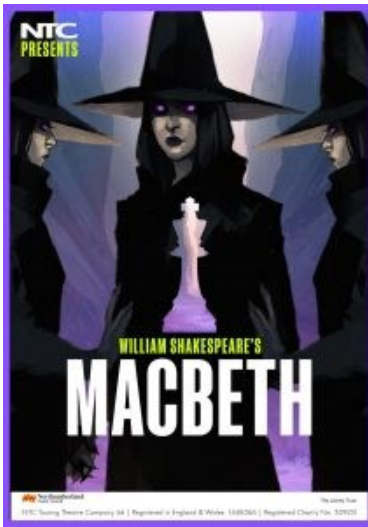
Wednesday 12th October - 7.30pm

Air Dry Clay Xmas Decorations



Saturday 1st October at 7.30pm

Northumberland Theatre Company at Stamfordham Village Hall



Suitable for 10 years upwards as Macbeth might just be their English text study next academic year.

£10 adults / £8 under 18's

Refreshments, bar and raffle

All proceeds go towards Stamfordham Playing Field and Village Hall charity

For bookings : please call Charlotte 01661 886206 / 0755 461 4162

Email: charlotte65hancock@gmail.com

Holiday Club Extra

8th October 2022 5pm - 7pm
Stamfordham Uniting Church

Is your child in Reception to Year 5.

Did they enjoy the fun, music, Bible stories, games and crafts of Holiday club or would like join for the first time?

Holiday Club Extra is for them. We will be having holiday club type fun and finishing with a Pizza tea together.

To join children **MUST** be registered by 6.10.22.

Email or message Pip at: pip@theforsyths.plus.com

or 07921843732, to register your interest and be sent a registration form.

Free Event

Stamfordham Walking Group

Tuesday 18th October

Meet at the Stamfordham Cross on the village green at 10am

Route to be confirmed

Contact Sally Hutt email: sally.hutt64@gmail.com or phone 01661 886442 if you would like to come

ARE YOU IN YEARS 6-10?

THIS YEAR STAMFORDHAM HOLIDAY CLUB IS NOT JUST A SUMMER THING.

WHY NOT MEET UP WITH FRIENDS - HAVE FUN - PLAY CRAZY GAMES - EAT PIZZA - EXPLORE THE BIBLE?

JOIN US FROM 6:30 - 8:30PM SATURDAY 8TH OCTOBER AT STAMFORDHAM UNITING CHURCH

PLEASE CONTACT PIP : PIP@THEFORSYTHS.PLUS.COM OR. 07921843732

TO REGISTER AND SO YOU CAN BE SENT A REGISTRATION FORM TO FILL IN. (WE NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY TO COOK FOR BY 6TH.OCT)

YOUTH EXTRA

Free Event



GILCHESTERS ORGANIC FLOUR

Teresa will be ordering flour in October, please contact her if you wish to order:-

White - 1.5 kg • White - 3 kg

Wholemeal wheat - 1.5 kg • Wholemeal wheat - 3 kg

Pizza - 1.5 kg • Pizza - 3 kg

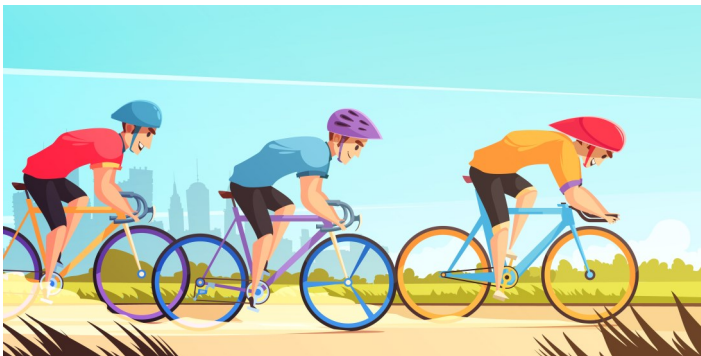
Rye - 1.5 kg • Rye cracked - 1.5 kg

Spelt - 1.5 kg • Spelt - 3 kg

Emmer - 1.5 kg • Einkorn - 1.5 kg

Please contact Teresa: teresaholywell@hotmail.com

CYCLONE FESTIVAL OF CYCLING - PLEA FOR CAKES



As usual, we are needing cakes. It's a vital fund-raising activity for the village hall. Please can we ask you to either drop off at the Village Hall on Sunday 9th October (someone will be there from 7am) or contact Ash Dias on 07736354258 or email ash.dias@afmeurope.co.uk

Thank you

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CYCLONE FESTIVAL OF CYCLING

Dear **Stamfordham** Resident

Key information for the 2022 BC National Series Cycle Races now on Sunday 9th October 2022

A short stretch of the main road in the village (either side of the main bus stop) will be closed to allow the Start/Finish gantry and crowd barriers for the event to be installed and dismantled.

Access to and from North & South Sides will remain open during these times.

The closures are identified as Saturday 8th Oct **5.30pm – 6.30pm** and Sunday 9th October **7.00am – 8.00am** and **5.50pm – 6.50pm**. However, we will try and keep the closures as short as possible within these times. As outlined above, Northside & Southside are open at these times.

All roads in Stamfordham will be closed for the women's race start at **8.25am – 8.45am**.

The race then heads out onto the race course for 3 circuits of the route with a continued rolling road closure of up to 20 minutes through: Black Heddon, West Belsay, Little Bavington, Colwell, Ryal and Matfen. This should take approximately an hour between 8.45am – 9.45am. This is repeated between 9.45am – 10.45am and again between 10.45am - 11.45am. After the race finish at approximately 11.45am all roads should be fully open by **12.00 noon**.

All roads will be open between 12.00 noon – 12.55pm as there are no races at this time.

All roads in Stamfordham will be closed again for the men's race start **12.55pm – 1.15pm**.

The race then heads out onto the race course, with a continued rolling road closure of up to 20 minutes; through Black Heddon, West Belsay, Little Bavington, Colwell, Ryal and Matfen. This should take approximately 50 minutes each time for the men's race and they will complete this circuit 4 times. There will then be a shorter circuit which includes Wallridge, Ingoe and Matfen between 4.40pm – 5.10pm before the race finish, with all roads fully open by **5.25pm**.

Please note the above times may vary due to circumstances beyond our control, and can only be given as an approximate guide. Rolling road closures along the route can be up to 20 mins but may also vary. The women's race has 3 big circuits and the men's race has 4 big circuits and 1 small circuit, with the start and finish in Stamfordham each time.

Stamfordham and surrounding villages play a key role in the event, providing well-earned fuel for those taking on the Cyclone Challenge and as a base to see elite cycle racing in the region. All who pass through comment on how well they are treated by the residents, underlining the important part the village plays in the success of the event.

We would like to say a big thank you in advance for your support, hospitality and tolerance during the weekend, and most of all for allowing us to stage these races in your village and the surrounding area. We really appreciate it.

We hope as a resident of Stamfordham you are looking forward to the event as much as we are and we look forward to seeing you at the event.

Finally, if you have any questions or concerns about the event please contact us at www.cyclonecycling.com

Peter Harrison, organiser of the Cyclone events, also adds:-

I want to support the community and the Village Hall and Playing Fields by putting on the event. I do not do it for financial gain, and it would be quite easy for me as an organiser just to cancel the event, not just this year but also in all future years. The support of the local community is essential for it's longevity. The last few years have been taxing to say the least.

Stamfordham Bonfire & Fireworks



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November 5th sees the return of the village bonfire and fireworks.

It would be great to see everyone out in the village enjoying the event after not being able to hold the event over the last two years.

What we do struggle with on the day and night is people to help with the set up, mar-shalling and the bucket collections. Also some help is needed on the night with the selling of the hog roast & hot dogs.

If anyone would like to offer their help it would be greatly appreciated.

Get in touch stuart@stuwilsonrallying@googlemail.com

As we have had a couple of quiet years with fundraising if anyone would like to help sponsor the event, please get in touch on the above email address.

Your Village Hall Needs You

The Stamfordham Playing Fields and Village Hall Committee is taking part in the Community Action Northumberland (CAN) Village Halls Heritage Project funded by the Heritage Lottery.

The purpose of the project is to:

- Research the history of the Village Hall building.
- Collect oral histories about the role village halls have played in local life.
- Conserve and archive documents, photographs and artefacts currently held by the village hall, local residents and CAN.

Where you Come In

1. We are looking for any documents or photographs of the village hall/school (in its previous role) and events held there.
Please let Sally Hutt, Ian Lawson or Charlotte Hancock know what you have.
2. We are also looking to record, orally, the memories people have of the Hall as a school, the management of the Hall and/or events that have taken place using the Hall. Please let us know if you would be willing to be interviewed about your memories. *Thank you.*

FOR SALE

1) **Miele Honeycomb care T4462C condenser tumble drier** - 60cm wide, 58cm deep, 84cm high



Approx 8 years old but little used as been in storage for 6 years.



Will accept £100



2) **Logik table top fridge LTT68S10** - 47cm wide 45cm deep 63cm high



Has reversible door and small ice compartment

Rated A Energy

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Both items can be viewed and collected from Quicksilver storage 5.8 miles away

Contact: Amanda Turner email: Mintrevelyan@gmail.com Tel: 07506 720635

Festive Wreath-Making

Stamfordham Village Hall

Friday 9th December 1pm



£45 includes all materials plus seasonal refreshments

Pre-booking essential via

www.oglegarden.com or call 07506155323

Facebook/Instagram - olegardenflowers

Breakfast, Conversation, Food for thought



Brian Japes
A hand to the plough

Brian was born in London but moved north during the war. After school in Chester he worked on a large mixed farm before studying agriculture, then trained for teaching.

A career in agricultural education led to work combining lecturing and farm management, concluding as Head of Agriculture and Director of Studies at Kirkley Hall College, near Ponteland.

Brian will speak about his long-held Christian faith, which has included some difficult times. He has held various positions within the Methodist church, including as a 'reader' for over 30 years. He also served as a Parish Councillor for nearly 20 years.

Men's Breakfast, with a guest speaker
8.30am, Saturday 29th October
at The Beaumont Hotel, Hexham

Perspectives. An informal gathering for men. We usually meet on the last Saturday of the month (Sep-Nov, Jan-Apr) at 8.15 for 8.30am, to 10am, for breakfast followed by a Christian speaker and opportunity for questions. We ask our speakers to share their experiences of life and faith.

The Beaumont is in the centre of Hexham, opposite the Abbey Grounds. Disc parking is available in the Wentworth car park (8 minutes walk) and in Beaumont Street.

Full Breakfast Buffet - £15

To book please email jonathan@perspectivescvfm.org.uk

Or visit our website perspectivescvfm.org.uk



Stay connected to your community

Are you living with sight difficulties and finding it hard to read the local newspaper? Perhaps you know a relative or friend who is visually impaired who might enjoy listening to local news?

The Tynedale Talking Newspaper (TTN) sends out a free audio recording of local news each week, courtesy of the Hexham Courant. Every month there is also a new recording of The Tynedale Talking Magazine or The Northumbrian.

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To find out more please contact Ed, the Registrar, on 07400 096937 or www.ttnweb.uk or check out Facebook.

TTN is a charity (1034087) run entirely by local volunteers.

Ponteland u3a

Meetings and talks at St Mary's Parish Centre are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 2pm.

Our next talk will be:

5th Oct - A talk by local author Mrs Jane Ions

We welcome enquiries from anyone wishing to join Ponteland u3a - please call the membership secretary on 01661 824953

Ponteland Health Walks

Meet every Tuesday at 10.30am

outside **Ponteland Leisure Centre**

The free walks take 60 to 90 minutes on local footpaths. A good opportunity to walk safely, improve fitness and make new friends.

Assistance dogs only please.

Contact: **Gordon Allan**

on **07936 135469** for more information or just turn up, no notice required.

STAMFORDHAM ART GROUP

Meets every Tuesday in the village hall from 10.00am to 1.00pm



Frosty's Fish and Chips

Stamfordham

Friday 7th October

4:30 to 7:00pm

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11.00AM—1.00PM

All services you would normally find available at a full time Post Office will be provided.

Cash withdrawals can be made from most bank accounts.



Help with history at St Mary's Church

The current wooden gates to the churchyard at St Mary's church are beginning to wear out and before too long will need to be replaced. To help work out what to do next, the church is seeking evidence from history of what gates have been present in the past. Do you have any pictures, perhaps of church or family or village events, which include the gates in view, that would help? If so, please contact : Sue Parker 01661 886 384 or Sue Bolton 07809 461899

Stamfordham Oil Buying Group

Orders taken up to the end of the previous month, i.e. for November, orders should be placed by 31st October

Please remember that orders should be sent to both Steve Noble (consultsnoble@aol.com tel. 886223) and Roy Hollis (royanhollis@gmail.com tel. 886343). You will always receive an acknowledgement from one of us.

Crafty Reivers

meet in the West Room of Stamfordham Village Hall from 10am to 4pm



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Dates for 2022

Saturday 22nd October

Saturday 26th November

All crafters welcome. Bring a packed lunch and your chosen craft. This is a supportive self-help group.

Cost £3 to members and £6 for visitors to cover room hire and refreshments. *Sue Parker*

Knitting Project for 2022



South Elkington WI made this Christmas tree as part of a local festival. After Christmas, the hats will be distributed to those who need hats.

To follow this example, we will need hats knitted or crocheted in green yarn-any shade, any design. Pom poms are available to decorate the top and donations of completed hats or green yarn can be made in the knitting project box to be found in St Mary's Church, Stamfordham or Holy Trinity Church, Matfen.



Working Together to Achieve More

THANK YOU

On behalf of the trustees, thank you very much to all who the donated clothes and bric-a-brac for our Sponsorship Fund. It raised a much-needed £164.00.

As requested by a number of donors, a further collection will be made before Christmas!

Once again, thank you so much.

Gill Blissett

Heather Hughes | Director

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Tuesday 27th October 2022 via email to stamfordhamcommunicator@gmail.com

Thanks, *Anne Williams*

Stamfordham Parish Council

There are vacancies on the Parish Council so if you are interested, please email your details to
The Clerk, Claire Miller, at
clairemillerparishclerk@hotmail.co.uk

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The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted us in ways that we would not have expected. Our lives have changed considerably and the past months have presented many challenges for us all.

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