# Stamfordham



# Communicator

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#### Dates for your diary

#### **JULY 2022**

Friday 1st July - Frosty's Fish & Chips 4:30-7:00pm
Friday 8th July - WI Domino Drive 7pm Village Hall
Saturday 9th July - Pop Up Café 2-4pm for afternoon teas
Wednesday 13th July - WI Annual Meeting with WIA
Monday 18th July - SPFVH AGM 7pm Village Hall
Wednesday 20th July - Music Making 8pm in the Swinnie
Saturday 23rd July - Crafty Reivers 10am-4pm Village Hall
Tuesday 26th July - Stamfordham Walking Group 10am meet at Stone Cross
Sunday 31st July - deadline for ordering from Stamfordham Oil Buying Group (Aug delivery)

#### August 2022

1st-3rd Aug - Holiday Club for 3-10 years of age 8th-10th Aug - Holiday Club for 11-15 years of age



## **POP UP CAFÉ NEWS**

Afternoon Tea Saturday 9th July 2 - 4pm



Please come and support your Village Hall whilst enjoying homemade sandwiches, pastries and cake.

Please note that the café will not be open in August or September due to other commitments. However should anyone want to run the café in my absence, please call me 01661 886206 (Charlotte Hancock)

#### Stamfordham Women's Institute

• Friday 8th July 7.00pm Domino Drive in Stamfordham Village Hall

Strawberries & cream & shortbread: £5

 Wednesday 13th July 7.30pm in Stamfordham Village Hall

**Annual Meeting with WIA** 

Competition: None



# STAMFORDHAM PLAYING FIELD & VILLAGE HALL

is a charity run by a group of volunteers.

# **WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?**

Bring fresh ideas and get involved with helping to run the Village Hall, Pavilion and Playing Field for the benefit of everyone in our community.

No particular skills required - just enthusiasm !!

The next Annual General Meeting will be in the Village Hall at 7pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and is open to everyone over the age of 18 who lives in and around Stamfordham.

To find out more about what is going on have a look at the latest on <a href="www.stamfordhamvillagehall.co.uk">www.stamfordhamvillagehall.co.uk</a>
If you think you might like to help please come to the AGM or email <a href="stamfordhamsecretary@gmail.com">stamfordhamsecretary@gmail.com</a>

Stamfordham Playing Field & Village Hall Charity No. 502613



# 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 PLAYING FIELD & VILLAGE HALL

AGM 18<sup>th</sup> JULY 2022

Stamfordham Village Hall – Main Hall 7.00 p.m.

# **EVERYONE WELCOME**

## THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO HAVE A SAY, SEE HOW IT WORKS and/or VOLUNTEER

#### **AGENDA**

Apologies for Absence
Minutes of the previous AGM, Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021
Matters Arising not covered elsewhere
Annual Report and Accounts
Chairman's Report

Treasurer's Reports – Account Details
Acceptance of Report and Accounts

**Election of Four Committee Members and Representative Members Any Other Business** 

A few paper copies of the 2022 Annual Report & Accounts will be available at the meeting For paperless copies please contact <a href="mailto:stamfordhamsecretary@gmail.com">stamfordhamsecretary@gmail.com</a>
If you would like a copy of the minutes from the AGM in July 2021 they can be found on

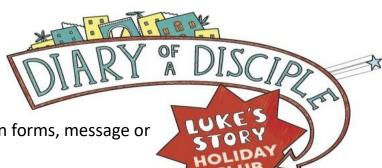
<u>www.stamfordhamvillagehall.co.uk</u> Click Our Charity/Our Organisation

Or request by email stamfordhamsecretary@gmail.com

# Is your child aged 3-10?

Great news – Stamfordham Uniting Church are running a **holiday club** again this year with the chance to make friends, play games, make things, hear Bible stories, do crazy challenges and so much more.

# Mon 1<sup>st</sup>- Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> August at Stamfordham Village Hall



For more information and registration forms, message or ring Pip:

07921843732 or email: pip@theforsyths.plus.com

Please Note - the new 3-day format

3-4 years: 10am – 12 noon £2 per session

5-10 years: 10am - 12:30pm £2 per session





Be with friends, have fun, talk about things that are important to you, hear what the bible says, go on a beach trip, have a BBQ, play games etc. 11am-3pm based at Stamfordham Uniting Church. Bring a picnic. For more information and registration forms contact Pip: 07921843732 or pip@theforsyths.plus.com £2 / session

# \*Your Village Hall Needs You\*

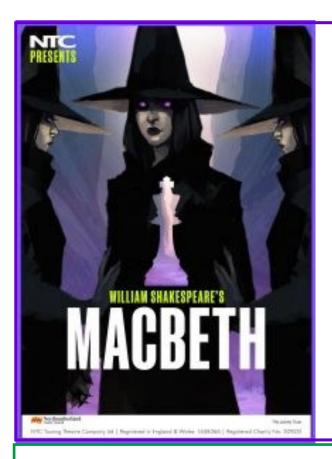
The Stamfordham Playing Fields and Village Hall Committee is taking part in the Community Action Northumberland (CAN) Village Halls Heritage Project funded by the Heritage Lottery.

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

- 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.*



#### **SAVE THE DATE**

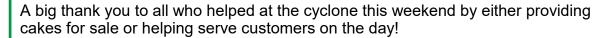
Saturday 1st October Stamfordham Village Hall

Northumberland Theatre Company presents

Macbeth

by William Shakespeare, adapted by Chris Connaughton

# Cyclone Festival of Cycling 2022 - Refreshments in the Village Hall







Fundraising was a great success with approx. £1000 raised in total for the Village Hall.





Thank you again to everyone who helped make this such a success.

Ash Dias



# Saturday 4th June 2022 STAMFORDHAM VILLAGE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE PARTY ON THE VILLAGE GREEN



## What an amazing day! Thanks everyone for making it such an occasion.

Approximately £1,100 was raised, to be split between St Mary's Church, the Village Hall and Stamfordham Primary School.







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# THE POST OFFICE— THURSDAYS 11.00AM—1.00PM

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- Sanitise your hands on entering –
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- Use Post Office
- Leave by the West Room entrance

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#### 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:

6th July - 'Cragside - Upstairs/Downstairs' by Geoff Hughes

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.



## CALLING ALL 11-13 YEAR OLDS!

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A GENERATION,
STAMFORDHAM CRICKET CLUB
WILL ENTER A U13 TEAM INTO THE
WEST TYNE LEAGUE YOUTH LEAGUE IN 2022.

GET IN TOUCH TO FIND OUT MORE!

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# Stamfordham Walking Group † † † †

\*For this month only the walk is delayed by a week to Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July\*

We'll do the popular walk to Fenwick Shield, up to South Fens and back via Cowstand and Westerheugh.

Total distance approximately 10.7 km. No cafes or pub on this walk so bring your own drinks and food. We may be able to get a pint/drinks in the Swinnie if Bob is around. Please let me know if you would like me to ask him to open for us.

Meet: 10am at the Stone Cross on Stamfordham Green.

If you would like to join us, please email or phone – <u>sally.hutt64@gmail.com</u> or 01661 886442 just so we don't leave you behind!

# **Crafty Reivers**

meet in the West Room of Stamfordham Village Hall depending on Covid Pandemic conditions. From 10am to 4pm



#### Dates for 2022

Saturday 23rd July
Saturday 27th August
Saturday 24th September
Saturday 22nd October
Saturday 26th November
Saturday 17th December

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.

#### STAMFORDHAM ART GROUP

The next sessions will start again on TUESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

10.00am Stamfordham Village Hall



Frosty's Fish and Chips
Stamfordham
Friday 1st July

4:30 to 7:00pm

#### Calling all owners of dogs in Stamfordham and Hawkwell

This is a polite reminder to us all to watch what our dogs are doing, whether in fields, on paths or grass verges. Some of us use the local fields that have footpaths, these fields feed animals therefore we should keep to the grass clean and DOG POO free. Our footpaths should be DOG POO FREE because it smells and looks horrible and disgusting if we step in it. There is a lot more abandoned POO on the path between Stamfordham and Hawkwell. Grass verges are mown either by residents, Dick, or the council, especially in Hawkwell. They should not have to clean the machinery of our DOGS' POO. It's a foul job! I seem to be picking up a lot of other DOGS' POO (some POO is especially huge), one pile was even left in the middle of my yard! It is an offence to foul public areas so let's keep our village clean and use POO BAGS and the POO BINS.

Thank you — Charlotte Hancock



# **Stamfordham Oil Buying Group**

**Please note** the oil buying group does not operate in July. Normal service will resume for August, with orders having to be **received by 31st of July**.

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Please also remember that orders should be sent to both Steve Noble (<a href="mailto:consultsnoble@aol.com">consultsnoble@aol.com</a> tel. 886223) and Roy Hollis (<a href="mailto:royanhollis@gmail.com">royanhollis@gmail.com</a> tel. 886343). You will always receive an acknowledgement from one of us.

Music Making
The Swinburne Arms

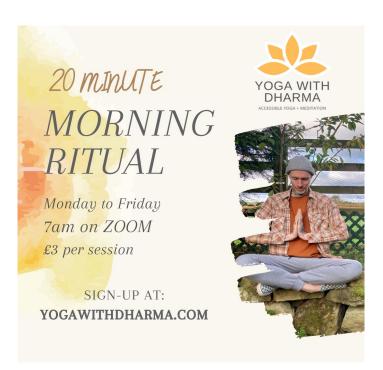
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Rye	1.5 kg	£2.90	£2.50
Rye cracked	1.5 kg	£2.50	£2.10
Spelt	1.5 kg	£3.60	£2.55
Spelt	3 kg	£7.20	£6.10
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Please email your order to:

#### Teresa Holywell

teresaholywell@hotmail.com

by FRIDAY 1st July 2022

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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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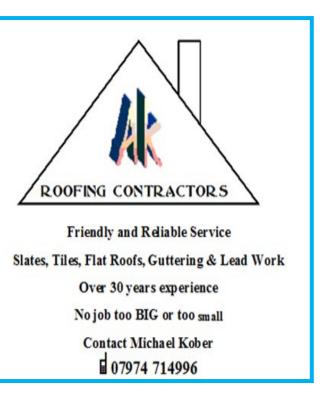


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