

Next deadline **strictly: Wed 25th Oct 2023**

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Dates for your diary

October 2023

- 6th Oct - Frosty's Fish & Chips
- 10th Oct - Holiday Club Extra 3.15pm (pick up from school)
- 10th Oct - Youth Xtra 6pm Stamfordham Uniting Church
- 11th Oct - WI at Village Hall
- 14th Oct - Oktoberfest at Village Hall
- 17th Oct - Walking Group : Meet 10am at The Cross (contact Sally)
- 17th Oct - Crafty Meet Up : The Swinburne 7pm
- 25th Oct - Pub Quiz : The Swinburne 8pm
- 28th Oct - Crafty Reivers 10-4 West Room

- Every Monday - Stamfordham Carpet Bowls 7pm Village Hall
- Every Tuesday - Stamfordham Art Group, Village Hall 10am-12.30pm
- Every Wednesday - Pilates 12.30-1.30pm West Room, Village Hall
- Every Wednesday - Karate, Village Hall 6.30pm and 7.30pm
- Every Thursday - Dance for Children 4pm Village Hall
- Every Thursday - Hatha Yin Yoga 7pm Village Hall

Forthcoming events

November 2023

- 4th Nov - Annual bonfire and fireworks
- 11th Nov - Pop Up Café coffee morning
- 18th Nov - Comedy night with Steffen Peddie



**Stamfordham
Pop-Up Cafe**

CLOSED

Please Note:

Due to so many events using the village hall in October it is not possible to hold the usual Pop Up Café.



**Stamfordham
Pop-Up Cafe**

CLOSED

The next one will be a coffee morning on Saturday 11th November 10am - noon

Stamfordham Women's Institute

Its Never Too Late : Julie Pendleton

Wednesday 11th October 2023

Competition: Personal Achievement



Holiday Club Extra

- Tuesday 10th October 2023
- 3:15pm (pick up from school) – 5:45pm
- Stamfordham Uniting Church

Is your child in **Reception or years 1,2, 3 or 4?**

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.

Email or message Pip at: pip@theforsyths.plus.com or 07921843732

to be sent a registration form, send in a registration form, or just find out more.

Places must be reserved by Friday 6th October

Free Event

ARE YOU IN SCHOOL YEARS 5, 6, 7 OR 8?

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SO YOU CAN BE SENT A REGISTRATION FORM TO FILL IN. (COMPLETED FORMS TO BE RETURNED BY BY 6TH.OCT)

YOUTH XTRA

Free Event



FROSTY'S FISH & CHIPS

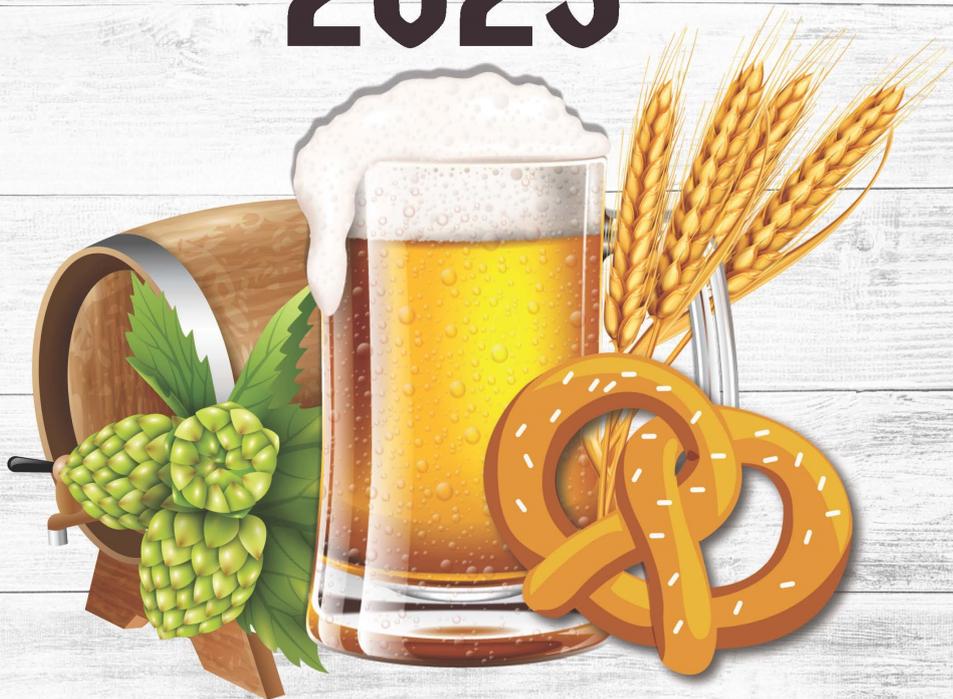
Friday 6th October 4.30 - 7.00pm

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OKTOBERFEST

STAMFORDHAM VILLAGE HALL

2023



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SATURDAY OCT 14TH, 2023

18:00 - 23:00

Tickets - £20.00 - Includes 1st beer, stein & supper

TO BOOK: Tom Henderson 07762707446, tom21h@live.co.uk

Jayess Newbiggin Brass Band (National Brass Band Finalists)



What's your talent?

The church of St Mary the Virgin sits in the heart of the west end of the village of Stamfordham and has been an important focus for both significant life events and village events for many hundreds of years. The current building dates, in parts, from Saxon times with many additions and changes over the years, and like all buildings, needs continuous care and maintenance to meet the needs of the people. In the last year, thanks to significant grants, the east windows underwent a refurbishment and the chancel has a new roof. Keeping the building going takes more than major building works, just as running your home, you keep up with the cleaning, laundry and cooking and perhaps gardening to run your household, the church relies on volunteers to ensure it runs smoothly.

Many skills are needed to do this from dusting and changing light bulbs, cutting the grass and weeding, ordering oil and arranging safety checks, to filling in grant applications in addition to the preparation to deliver worship.

Our community has many skills within it and many already share their skills in the church and its grounds. What skill do you have that you can share, to ensure that the church continues in your community? Without you, there is always the risk that it becomes unviable to remain open each day, as it does now, that the churchyard becomes overgrown and neglected and that services and ceremonies can no longer take place. Your church depends on you. What talent can you bring to support the church? As the story goes, talent doesn't grow by being buried, but by being used.

Please contact the Churchwardens:

Sue Bolton - 07809 461899 - susanbolton658@gmail.com

Sue Parker - 01661 886384 - sue@parker-towers.co.uk

to discuss volunteering opportunities. This can be a regular commitment or a one off session. Please keep a watch on the notices on the gates and porch noticeboard, and in the Communicator for news about forthcoming events where you can share your skills.

Stamfordham Walking Group

Tuesday 17th October

Meet at The Cross at 10:00am

Please contact Sally for further details: Email or phone – sally.hutt64@gmail.com or 01661 886442

Ponteland Wildlife Talks

7.30pm, St Mary's Parish Centre, Thornhill Road, Ponteland, NE20 9PZ

All welcome, £2 includes refreshments

Tuesday 3rd October: Gordon Beakes "Mushrooms and Toadstools, Deadly and Delightful"

Tuesday 7th November: John Lumby "Alaska and Pribilof Islands"

Tuesday 5th December: Gil Thompson "Waders in the Northumberland National Park"



Wool Crafting In The Swinburne Arms Stamfordham

17th October at 7pm

A crafty meet up in the Swinburne Arms one evening a month to share knitting and crochet ideas/expertise. I can help those wanting to learn to crochet. (3rd Tuesday of the month)

Contact Sally Hutt on 886442 or sally.hutt64@gmail.com

Swinburne Arms



Wednesday 25th October

8pm start - Teams of up to 6 people - £2 per person

1st and 2nd prizes and the '3rd prize' is donated to a local charity or village cause

(The following quiz will be on Wednesday 29th November)

Stamfordham Oil Buying Group

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Veronica Jones, who is the County Councillor for Stamfordham, Matfen and the other surrounding villages, attends the Pop-Up Café to hear any concerns or issues about County Council matters from residents, and would be delighted to meet you. If you need to contact Veronica you can email her:

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Dates for 2023

28th Oct - 25th Nov - 23rd Dec

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

Stay connected to your community

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

Ridiculous Man

Saturday 18th November

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Stamfordham Bonfire & Fireworks

Saturday 4th November : Annual bonfire & fireworks

Saturday 18th November : Comedy night, Steffen Peddie returns with his one man show

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Saturday 28th October at 8.30 to 10am

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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 meeting will be:

Wednesday 4th October

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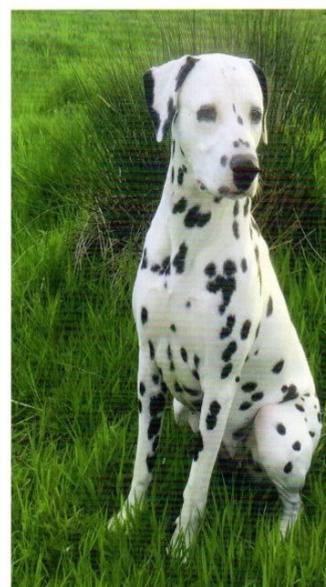


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