November 2023

Stamfordham

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#### Dates for your diary

#### November 2023

4th Nov - Annual bonfire & fireworks
8th Nov - WI at Village Hall
11th Nov - Pop Up Café 2.30-4.30 West Room
18th Nov - Comedy night with Steffen Peddie, Village Hall
21st Nov - Walking Group : Meet 10am at The Cross (contact Sally)
21st Nov - Crafty Meet Up : The Swinburne 7pm
24th Nov - Fizz Friday Swinburne Arms
25th Nov - Crafty Reivers : 10-4 West Room
29th Nov - Pub Quiz : The Swinburne 8pm

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**

#### December 2023

*5th Dec* - Advent Holiday Club Extra 3.15-5.45

*5th Dec* - Advent Holiday Club Xtra 6-8pm

*9th Dec* - Christmas Pop Up Café & special early visit from Santa Claus plus showing of "The Star"



Pop Up Café

Saturday 11th November

2.30 - 4.30

Village Hall West Room

Enjoy delicious homemade goodies



Stamfordham Women's Institute

#### **Christmas Wreath Making**

Wednesday 8th November 2023

Competition: Members own efforts





Stamfordham Bonfire & Fireworks Saturday 4th November 6pm bonfire lit, fireworks at 7pm

- **We have a hog roast, hot dogs and soup from Scott's Catering & Hog Roasts**
- **o** Normal alcoholic and soft drinks at the Swinburne Arms
- **Ice cream from Tony's Ices Ponteland**
- **Coffee and tea from Live Coffee Co**
- **As always flashing glow novelties available**

And thanks to Collingwood Marquees

If coming from outside the village please park with consideration for residents

Please don't forget to donate on the night as the event relies on your generous donations.

\*\*\*\*<u>STRICTLY NO SPARKLERS PLEASE</u>\*\*\*\*

Keep an eye on the Stamfordham Bonfire Fireworks Facebook page







#### **FROSTY'S FISH & CHIPS**

Unfortunately Frosty's will not be coming to the village in November (they have contract commitments)

Frosty's now have a calendar on their website of their round. You can check it here: https://www.frostysmobilechippy.co.uk/



# Saturday 18th November





An evening of stand up comedy with Steffen Peddie

https://buytickets.at/stamfordhambonfirefireworks

#### STAMFORDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Stamfordham Parish Council are beginning to develop a plan for the Parish. When complete and accepted by Northumberland County Council it will become a point of reference when applications for planning etc are made.

The points to be covered are:

- New Housing
- Conversions
- Design
- Local Green Space
- Heritage Assets
- Landscape
- Settlement Boundaries
- Community Facilities

This will take quite some time to put together and will involve all residents in the parish for comment to enable progression. A questionnaire will be circulated in due course.

The council are able to involve individuals who have expertise / experience with any of the areas to be covered or who would like to be involved. We would be pleased to speak to anyone wishing to offer assistance.

Please contact: Linda Boylan tel: 01661 886612 email: lindaparishcouncil@gmail.com

#### **GREEN STAMFORDHAM**

In an attempt to do our bit for Climate Change the Parish Council has so far planted 20 free trees, from Northumberland County Council, at Bridge End. They are under the heading of "Natures Harvest" which consists of a mixture of Crab Apple, Hazel, Rowan and Elder. These are not large trees and are ideal for rewilding sites to give nature a helping hand as well as being good for our climate.

We have applied for another ten this autumn and would welcome suggestions of sites to plant them. This does not have to be all ten in one place, but thought must be given to sight lines for traffic and pedestrians alike.

A Flowering Cherry is also to be sourced to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III and suggestions are also welcome for its positioning.

There are several mature trees in the village with none coming on behind. In the event of future storms, such as Storm Arwen, we could lose some of the older stock, we welcome contributions to plan the succession of the current mature trees in terms of species, location and number of trees that the village would plan to introduce on the green.

Contact Linda Boylan either by email <u>lindaparishcouncil@gmail.com</u> or drop a note through the door at 42 Grange Road by November 30th.

# Advent Holiday Club Extra

Holiday Club Extra with Pizza Tea.

Tuesday 5th December

(We will collect from school)

3:15-5:45pm Stamfordham Uniting Church For registration form contact Pip Forsyth: 07921 843732 <u>pip@theforsyths.plus.com</u>

Is your child in Reception or years 1,2, 3 or 4? Come and join the fun, Bible stories, games and crafts of Holiday Club Extra and hear what Christmas is really about. FREE EVENT

Advent Holiday Club Xtra Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 6-8pm

If you are in years 5,6 or 7

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Registration forms from Pip Forsyth: 07921843732 or pip@theforsyths.plus.com

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#### Stamfordham Walking Group 🕇 🕴 🛉 🕴

#### **Tuesday 21st November**

Meet at The Cross at 10:00am

Details to be confirmed

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

#### Ponteland Wildli fe Talks

7.30pm, St Mary's Parish Centre, Thornhill Road, Ponteland, NE2O 9PZ All welcome, £2 includes refreshments

Tuesday 7th November: John Lumby "Alaska and Pribilof Islands" Tuesday 5th December: Gil Thompson "Waders in the Northumberland National Park" Tuesday 2nd January 2024 : George Dodds "College Valley Estates : The Cheviot Jewel"



Wool Crafting In The Swinburne Arms Stamfordham

21st November 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 29th November

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

#### **Stamfordham Oil Buying Group**

Orders taken up to the end of the previous month, i.e. for November, orders should be placed by 30th Nov.

Please remember that orders should be sent to both Peter Reynolds (<u>oil@bluebark.com</u>tel: 886855) and Roy Hollis (<u>royanhollis@gmail.com</u>tel. 886343). You will always receive an acknowledgement from one of us.



#### FIZZ FRIDAY

The Swinburne Arms

Friday 24th November

2 glasses for £7.00 or a bottle for £12.00



#### **PONT NEWS & VIEWS**

#### FOLLOW THE LINK BELOW TO FIND OUT WHAT IS

#### **GOING ON IN PONTELAND**

https://www.ponteland-tc.gov.uk/pont-news-and-views/

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:

Veronica.Jones@northumberland.gov.uk



#### **Crafty Reivers**

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



### Dates for 2023

25th Nov and 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

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?

To find out more please contact Ed, the Registrar, on 07400 096937 or <u>www.ttnweb.uk</u> or check out Facebook. TTN is a charity (1034087) run entirely by local volun-



#### **CHRISTMAS POP UP CAFÉ**

#### 9th DECEMBER 2.30pm onwards

With a special early visit from Santa Claus! PLUS - a special showing of the lovely and very humorous children's film called "The Star" Look out for more information on Stamfordham Matters Facebook page





For all ages and abilities. Come and strengthen your core!

Wednesdays

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Wednesday 22nd November 2023 via email to stamfordhamcommunicator@gmail.com

I am sorry to say I cannot accept anything after this date, if you send something it will go into the following month's edition. Emergency notification emails only will be sent from the Communicator email account.

Thank you, Anne Williams



#### STAMFORDHAM ART GROUP

Meets every Tuesday in the village hall from 10.00am to 12.30pm



Contact: Andrew Banfield email AHBanfield@icloud.com

Thursday 19:00 - 20:30 Stamfordham Village Hall Meditation Breath Asana All abilities welcome Bring your own mat £10 a class Contact Raffy: 07540549708 See you on the mat...

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#### outside Ponteland Leisure Centre

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Assistance dogs only please.

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



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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 1st November

16 Squadron Army/Aviation Co-operation WWI

by Colin Buxton

from 2pm

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



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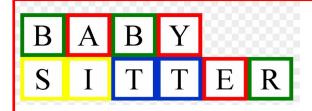
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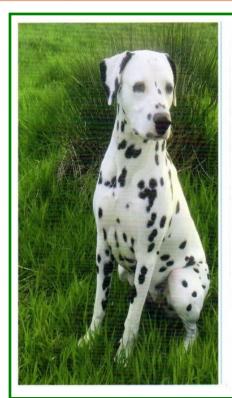
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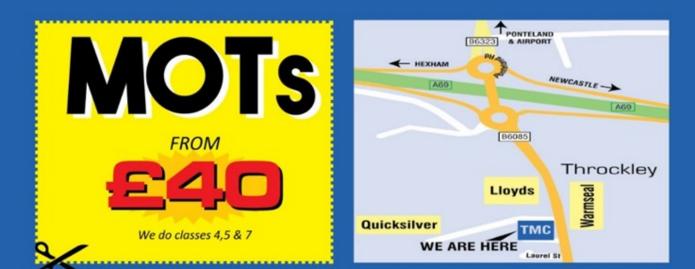
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