

# GODSHILL



## Godshill Village Hall News and updates! January 2026

### ***Happy New Year, everyone!***

We are delighted to tell you that the Village Hall is being used regularly by a range of different activities from artists to dog scent training, and yoga to table tennis as well as private parties and group meetings. We welcome a new singing group and a new art group which are open to all.

We have a wide variety of activities going on – look inside for a sample selection!

At the end of January, we have a Pudding Club event with speaker Sally Marsh who is a New Forest Commoner. She will be talking about the life of a Commoner and how the ponies and other animals are managed.

Having installed new railings at the front of the Village Hall along with a commemorative plaque to mark its centenary last year, we are now focussed on refurbishing the stage area of the Village Hall to improve the first impression of the inside of the Village Hall for visitors.

Meanwhile, do join in any of the ongoing activities listed inside, or feel free to organise events of your own – the facilities are there for everyone to enjoy!

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## ***Forthcoming Events***

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### **'Commoning in the New Forest' by Sally Marsh**

We have a **Pudding Club** evening on **Friday, 30 January at 7.30pm** with speaker Sally Marsh. Sally is a New Forest commoner and author who loves sharing what life in the Forest is really like. She gives friendly,



down-to-earth talks about how commoning works, and explains how New Forest ponies are managed, including how they're cared for and why they play such an important role in keeping the Forest the beautiful place it is today.

Tickets are £12 each and this includes a delicious seasonal pudding! There will be a licenced bar! **Contact** Anne Thomas 07552 735238, email [thomasstreet12@outlook.com](mailto:thomasstreet12@outlook.com) or Marlene Williams 01425 650845, email [marlene.williams3@btinternet.com](mailto:marlene.williams3@btinternet.com)

### **Valentine's Thai Supper**



Join us for an amazing evening on Valentine's Night featuring a wonderful authentic Thai Menu on **Saturday, 14 February at 6.30pm**. Cost of the three-course meal is £24.00 per person. For more details and booking, please contact Pauline on 07740 398135 or email [Pauline.mcgin54@gmail.com](mailto:Pauline.mcgin54@gmail.com)

### **Love 2 Sing!**

A new singing group now meets at the Village Hall on the **third Tuesday at 7.30pm**. If you would like to join an enthusiastic group and sing along to popular songs, then contact Olivia on 07443 463872 for details.

### **The Village Hall Draw – with artist Tracy Dovey**

Lost your arty mojo? Join us at The Village Hall Draw and we can help you find it! Classes at Godshill are quite new, and from January, will be **every Tuesday, 2-4.30pm** with the first class being a free taster session (£20 per session thereafter). All materials and refreshments supplied. Contact Tracy by email [tracydoveyartist@outlook.com](mailto:tracydoveyartist@outlook.com)

## Godshill Parish Council

...normally meets on the **second Tuesday** of each month in the Village Hall at **7.30pm**. Everyone is very welcome to attend. Contact the Parish Clerk by email [clerk@godshillparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@godshillparishcouncil.gov.uk) or call on 01725 513874; 01725 514652 for any queries.

## Table Tennis group

... continues to flourish on **Monday** evenings from **7.00 to 9.00pm**. Come along for a friendly, informal and fun evening playing table tennis with like-minded enthusiasts. It doesn't matter how much experience you have (or have not!), just come along and join in – sessions cost £2 per week, pay as you go. Call Alison on 01425 650770 for details.

## Yoga

Natasha continues to run Yoga classes at the Village Hall on **Friday mornings at 9.30 to 10.45am**. All the equipment needed is provided, and classes are suitable for all levels of experience. Natasha also runs Sound Baths periodically. Contact her on 07854 898584 or email [natasha831@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:natasha831@hotmail.co.uk)  
Booking is essential!



## Country Dancing

... continues weekly on **Thursdays** at **7.30pm**. Join this group of enthusiasts to learn or improve your dancing skills – everyone is very welcome! Contact Sue or John on 01425 654951 for more details.

## Godshill WI

... continues to meet on the **first Wednesday** afternoon of each month at **2.15pm**. Experience a true WI homemade afternoon tea (a signature dish from the WI!) during a relaxing afternoon in friendly company – do come and visit!



## **Godshill 100 Club Draw**

### **December Winners**

1st – Bill Williams

2nd – John & Sara Boyd

3rd – Lauren Stevens

### **January Winners**

1st – Terry Pinchback

2nd – Geoff Williams

3rd – Peter Stammers

Do join the 100 Club: the subscription is still only £12 per year and supports the Village Hall. It is an easy way to donate regularly to the Hall's funds as well. Contact Alison Ayling for details on 01425 650770 or email [hippo.train@btinternet.com](mailto:hippo.train@btinternet.com)

**To Book the Hall:** contact Julie Moore by email [Godshillhallbooking@gmail.com](mailto:Godshillhallbooking@gmail.com). or on 07917 764676. Current hire charges per session are £33 for non-residents and £22 for Godshill residents. (Session times are: Morning – 8.00-13.00; Afternoon – 13.30-18.00; Evening – 18.30-23.00)

**To pay by BACS:** Godshill Village Hall; Account 40530280; Sort Code: 54 30 45

If you are planning a special celebration or would like to organise an event, then do consider hiring the Village Hall. The building is in excellent order, with a fully equipped kitchen for catering, seating for up to 80 people, a stage, party lighting, table tennis tables, outdoor gazebo and skittle alley. There is car parking and easy access to the building.

***After all, it's your Village Hall!***

### **Godshill Village Hall Management Committee**

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