



# Round Tower

The free monthly newsletter for Cuddington and Sandiway provided by your Parish Council

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## CUDDINGTON & SANDIWAY GALA DAY - JUNE 10th



### SELECTION FOR OUR 2017 COMMUNITY QUEEN AND HER ROYAL RETINUE



Will take place on March 25th at the Village Hall, Norley Road

Registration at 1.30pm for a 2pm start.

**Entrants are required for the Queen, Princess, Prince and Royal Retinue**

All entrants must be 12 or under, live within the parish or attend one of our primary schools  
and be available for the crowning ceremony at the Gala on June 10th

Children entering the competition £1. All others free Smart day dress to be worn

**For more information contact Jan on 01606 301579**

### IDEAL TIME TO GIVE THE VILLAGE A WAR MEMORIAL

There is a large quantity of stone which was part of the original Round Tower but was too badly damaged to be used in the rebuild. This is being stored for the village by CWAC but they are anxious to be rid of it and if we want to keep this stone we have to quickly find our own secure storage for it.

It has been suggested that we could use this stone to build a war memorial for the village. For many years it has been widely acknowledged by residents that our village should have a War Memorial. The lack of such a memorial is probably due mainly to the fact that parish councils are not able, by law, to take on the project of creating one. They may, however, maintain an existing one.

However it could be possible to create one if a group of residents could be found to undertake the project. Now would seem to be the ideal time as it could be designed to use some of this old stone which was once part of a landmark that would have been familiar to those whose names would appear on the monument and which was cherished by many residents.

**If you feel you could help with this please get in touch with Pat Chrimes on 888276**

**There will never be a better time to do it. Let's not lose the opportunity**

### CUDDINGTON AND SANDIWAY VILLAGE HALL AND PLAYING FIELD, NORLEY ROAD, CUDDINGTON

*From the management committee*

Our village is fortunate to have such an excellent village hall and playing fields. I'm not sure how many residents realise that both are run by a small team of volunteers. Indeed raising the funds for the hall, overseeing its design and construction, maintaining the fabric of the building and overseeing the operation of the hall was (and continues to be) the work of a small group of individual residents. However we have to confess that a number of the original group are now in their 80's and are looking forward to being a little less involved. As a result we're now seeking additional volunteers to ensure that the village continues to have a vibrant and successful village hall. If you feel you'd like to be involved please come along to one of our drop in sessions in the Village Hall to chat to the current volunteers and find out what's involved.

Tuesday 7th March - 3pm-4.30pm

Thursday 23rd March - 6.30pm-8pm

Wednesday 5th April - 10.30-12.30

Saturday 8th April - 2pm-4pm



*If you are not able to make any of these dates but would like to know more please ring either Helen Webster on 01606 888931 or Val Godfrey on 07817214002*

## **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - FEBRUARY 2017**

**The next meeting of the parish council will take place at the village hall on Monday March 20th at 7.30pm. A Public Forum will take place at 7.15pm when residents can put questions to the council.**

**Contact the parish council via their e-mail: [clerktoCPC@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:clerktoCPC@hotmail.co.uk), call 852444 during office hours, or write to: Julie Chrimes, Clerk to the Parish Council, Sunnyside, Withens Lane, Weaverham, CW8 3HX**

**Agendas and Minutes of meetings can be found at; [www.candsonline.org](http://www.candsonline.org)**

## **MERE LANE PARKING UPDATE**

*From the CWAC Highways & Parish Council Joint Working Party*

Following consultation, work will begin on the car park extension on Mere Lane during March. In addition to the 16 extra parking spaces, a new, extra disabled parking space will be created outside the Mere Lane shops.

There will be a temporary footpath for the duration of the project for residents walking from Sandown Crescent through to Mere Lane. We would ask for your understanding and patience during the construction period.

The cherry tree, which needs to be moved, has been inspected by the Tree Preservation Officer and is thought to be in poor condition. It will be replaced by planting a reasonable sized cherry tree alongside the car park extension.

***Full details of the proposed works will be on view in the library.***

- Neighbourhood Plan - The consultation phase is now over and the draft plan is being written up into the required official terminology. It will then be put to the full parish council for consideration.
- The council was informed by Borough councillor, Harry Tonge, that council tax is likely to rise by 1.99% with 2% for the social care precept making a total rise of 3.99%.
- Plans for the addition of extra classrooms at Cuddington Primary School have been approved.
- The Jubilee Play Area has had its annual inspection and no issues of concern were found.  
.Councillors were concerned about the amount of mud on Smithy Lane caused by farm vehicles working in fields beside the lane. Mud had even spread onto the A49 which could lead to dangerous driving conditions.
- Work has been completed on part of the footpath from the A49 at Granny's Hump to the Whitegate Way at Ravensclough. One section has been all but impassable for some time because of wet mud. Councillors and walkers are delighted with the results.
- The long awaited allotments which are being provided by Taylor Wimpey at the village end of the Eden Grange site could be ready for use by May or June of this year. All those on the waiting list have been contacted to see if they are still interested and 2 meetings have been held with Taylor Wimpey to discuss how the allotment site will be managed.
- The Traffic and Transport Group feels that the 82 hourly bus service seems to have settled into reliable operation now. Rather than seeking to increase its frequency they are going to concentrate on negotiating for a greater cover of the village. While there are 3 bus stops on Ash Road there is nothing at all in the rest of the village. They will try to negotiate some coverage in Cuddington and Delamere Park.
- The Facilities and Community Group are trying to get all voluntary groups together in an attempt to develop a 'Good Neighbour' scheme, the need for which was indicated by the Village Plan survey.

## **HOMEWATCH**

There will be full weekend road closures on the A556 between Tabley and Bowden on the first 2 weekends in March and possibly the third as well. This is while the new road is connected to the existing one.



Recently two males from the Liverpool area were found in the wooded area between Holly Road and Gorstage Lane by local officers. This was due to a report of possible drug dealing in the area. On this occasion, no evidence was found to warrant an arrest but police request that residents report any suspicious sightings in the area.

**Contact the police on 101. For emergencies only use 999**

**To report a crime anonymously – Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111**

**northwich.ipu@cheshire.pnn.police.uk Northwich police station; 0845 458 6378 Community Action Team Voicemail / Neighbourhood Policing Scheme - 0845 458 6392 - for non-urgent calls unrelated to specific incidents or issues about your local community  
[www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk) You can also call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040**

## **WOMMENS DAY COFFEE MORNING**

Charity Coffee Morning to support International Women's Day.

**Friday March 10th**

**10am-12noon**

**The Ark Cafe**

*All proceeds to Oxfam*



## **Cuddington and Sandiway Tennis Club**

### **SATURDAY JUNIOR CLUB**

**Back on 4<sup>th</sup> March**

Our coach John Whitehall will be on the courts with our juniors on Saturday mornings.



**Come and give tennis a go**



9am for 5-8 year olds

10am for 9 years and above

£3 for non members ~ £1 for members

For any queries, please call/text 07753472834

Cuddington & Sandiway WI present

## **Denman WI College Open Afternoon**

**Open to all to publicise college and  
WI activities**

Presentation by Lyn Hand, Denman Ambassador,  
Cheshire Federation

**Thursday March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2pm, Village Hall**

Admission free, coffee/tea and cakes for purchase

Display of members craft items

Bumper Raffle

Opening by Jean Harding, Cheshire Chairman

## **LENT REFLECTIONS**

A quiet, prayerful, meditative half hour

St John's church every Tuesday in Lent from 12-12.30. From March 7th to April 11th



## **A MESSAGE OF THANKS FOR YOUR STAMPS FROM DAVID FRITH**

Once more, I extend grateful thanks to the many people who have helped to boost funds for the Leprosy Mission by saving their used stamps, especially over the Christmas period. A special word of thanks goes to the Vale Royal Lions who delivered a massive box of stamps collected by their members.

It seems strange that a postage stamp could help to transform lives in Asia and Africa, but the truth is, it does! 2016 was a record-breaking year, with a total of £147,994 raised from the sale of your used stamps for the Leprosy Mission. In 2015 it was £136,153.

Please continue to save your stamps, throughout the year, and pass them on to me at 31, Hadrian Way. Thank you!

## **RAILWAY LINES Please check before you travel: [www.northernrail.org](http://www.northernrail.org), or 0800 200 6060**

Sunday 5 March: All trains are replaced by buses between Chester and Stockport, Cuddington to Chester at 1015, then 1115 and two-hourly to 2315, to Stockport two-hourly at 0811 to 2011 with connecting trains to Southport or Wigan. There is also a 2154 bus through to Manchester.

Monday 6 to Thursday 9 March: the 2248 from Chester will be a bus calling at Cuddington at 2338.

## **WORLD BOOK DAY**

**Thursday 2nd March**

Come along to the Library dressed as your favourite character from literature

Use your World Book Day Token  
between 100am and 12.30pm

**Children's crafts from 10.30 - 11.30**

**Story Time, 11-11.30**

Everyone who comes in character will get a small prize

Davenham & Sandiway Players Present

## **TONIGHT ON THE WIRELESS**

**Tune in to a Night of Radio Plays,**

**Comedy and Sketches from  
"back then " to "right now"**

Friday 17th, Saturday 18th March, 7.30pm

Davenham Theatre, 59 Church Street

Tickets £9 from: [www.danarts.org](http://www.danarts.org)

Or 01606 259596

**ROYAL BRITISH LEGION**

**WOMEN'S SECTION**

**SANDIWAY & CUDDINGTON DISTRICT**

## **TABLE TOP SALE**

**Saturday April 1st, 11.30am - 2pm**

Methodist Church Hall, Weaverham Road

Refreshments available

Tables £5. To reserve yours ring

Shirley on 01606 888339

## Dates for your diary

- Fri Mar 3rd & 17th **Messy Church** - 4-5.30pm, St John's church hall – fun for all families, with crafts, celebration and food! Entrance free: donations welcome to cover cost of food. For more details, contact Emma: emma.stjohnsandiway@gmail.com
- Tues Mar 7th **Cuddington & Sandiway Methodist Wives** - 7.45pm, Methodist Schoolroom. Speaker: Janet Appleby - Children and the Ice Cream Farm. Visitors welcome, £2.
- Thur Mar 9th **Cuddington and Sandiway W I** - 1.45pm, village hall. Speaker: Kate Percival - Hats and Fascinators Competition - A wedding hat/fascinator
- Fri Mar 10th **Mid Cheshire Ornithological Society**, 7.45pm (doors open 7.30), Village Hall. Speaker: Chris Gavin - Around the World in 80 Birds  
Visitors welcome, Adults £3, Children £1. For more information ring 01606 882529
- Mon Mar 13th **Northwich Family History Society** - 7.30pm, Methodist Church Hall, Hartford. Speaker: Gay Oliver - DNA. Contact Dave - 01606 624215
- Tues Mar 14th **English Speaking Union** - Portal Premier Golf Club, Tarporley, 12 noon for 12.30pm Speaker: Dr Andrew Zsigmund - The Hungarian Revolution and my subsequent Escape. Booking necessary. Please contact Valerie Mais on 01606 76534 or email; valerie@mais.demon.co.uk
- Tues Mar 14th **Eddisbury Flower Club** - 2pm, St John's Church Hall. Demonstrator: David Mason - For One Night Only. Visitors welcome, £5 For further details ring 01606 883473
- Tues Mar 14th **Sandiway & Cuddington Royal British Legion**, 7.45pm, White Barn
- Tues Mar 28th **Royal British Legion Women's Section** - 2pm, Methodist Church Hall. County Meeting
- Fri Mar 31st **St John's Soup Lunch** - 12-1pm, St John's church hall  
Homemade soup, fresh bread, hot drink, £4. All welcome
- Sat April 15th **RBLWS Coach Trip to Llandudno** departing from Mere Lane shops at 9.00am. Cost - £17.50 Booking necessary, contact Mrs S Mutton on 888339
- Saturdays **St John's Church** is open from 10am-12noon. Coffee & cake available (no charge). Come and enjoy some time in this beautiful setting.
- Fridays - **Ark Cafe** - Term time, 8.45am -2pm. Holidays, 10am-2pm. Freshly ground coffee, locally made cakes, soups and sandwiches. Wraps available from 12-2pm  
Entrance - side of St John's church hall
- Thursdays **Cuddington & Sandiway Youth Club, term time only** from 6-7.30pm for 10-16 year olds. Activities, socialising. Playing Field, Norley Road. Ring 07979 802465
- Tuesdays **Action Worship** - Sandiway Methodist Church, 9.30-10am. Gentle exercise to uplifting music. No charge and everyone welcome. Coffee shop opens at 10am.

## VILLAGE HALL NOTICEBOARD

**Afternoon Tea** - Thursday 2nd March, 2pm - 4pm. Come along for tea, cakes and chat.

**Film Night** - Wednesday March 8th, 7.30pm



**Florence Foster Jenkins** - a comedy/drama starring Meryl Streep and Hugh Grant.

The true story of a New York heiress who wanted to become a great singer but unfortunately did not have the voice to match the aspiration.

Cert PG, £3.50 including refreshments.

**250 Club winners - February Draw**

1st prize (£40) winner - member number 194 of Forest Park, Oakmere

2nd prize (£20) winner - member number 152 of Millgate

**Visit; [www.cuddingtonandsandiwayvillagehall.org.uk](http://www.cuddingtonandsandiwayvillagehall.org.uk) for enquiries, bookings, to join the 250 club or see the timetable of regular events (please contact organisers before attending)**

**Alternatively see Village Hall Noticeboard by the Car Park Entrance or ring 888366 or 888931.**

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