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CUDDINGTON & SANDIWAY GALA - JUNE 10TH

THE THEME THIS YEAR IS SUPERHEROES AND PRINCESSES



Our Community Queen for 2017 is Layla Parks-Smith and our Princess is Penelope Eaton

They are shown here with their Royal Retinue. Back row from the left - Ethen, Abigail, Evie, Scarlett

Front row from the left - Penelope, Layla, Lily, Alice.

They are hoping to see you all at the gala to share their special day.

To get everyone in the mood we want to see scarecrows all over the village so if you want to start planning yours now get your information sheet from the library or by emailing: galaday@outlook.com or visiting the Cuddington and Sandiway Gala Day

A LIFE WORTH CELEBRATING

All friends of Dr Peter Chivers are invited to attend a Celebration of his Life on April 9th between 2pm and 4pm at the village hall.

Dr Chivers died on February 19th following surgery needed after a fall. He was 94 and will be remembered in this village for his tireless work in the community. Peter came to Cuddington in 1954 for his job at ICI. He was a member of the parish council for 32 years and it was his idea to start this newsletter in March 1995 which he edited for the first 4 years.

He believed that young people should be helped to make their way in life and raised money for many charities for disadvantaged young people. He and his wife, Jean, set up the village youth club, the 69ers, and Peter always continued to support it.

Peter was a firm advocate of the health benefits of physical fitness. He began long distance running in his 60s and ran his first marathon in Liverpool in 1987 after which he ran at least one marathon a year until 2000. His most remarkable running feat was a relay race from Land's End to John O'Groats which involved running a half marathon distance every day for 10 days. A few years later in his 70s he repeated it in reverse. He used these, and any other opportunity he could, to raise money for charity and in 1997 he was awarded an MBE for his charitable work. When the Queen heard about his running exploits she said he must be mad. When his sight began to fail through macular degeneration he set up a local support group. Until a few weeks before his death he was exercising for an hour a day on a variety of gym machines in his bedroom. Many of us will remember seeing him around the village running or riding his tandem.



The photograph shows Shirley Strong presenting Dr Chivers with the 2012 Citizenship award which is given each year at the village gala to someone who has been selected from nominations by residents of the village

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - MARCH 2017

The next meeting of the parish council will take place at the village hall on Monday April 24th at 7.30pm. A Public Forum will take place at 7.15pm when residents can raise questions. Contact the parish council via their e-mail: clerktoipc@hotmail.co.uk, call 852444 during office hours, or write to: Julie Chrimes, Clerk to the Parish Council, Sunnyside, Withens Lane, Weaverham, CW8 3HX

- A number of residents attended the public forum to comment on a planning application for a five bedroomed house off Roslyn Lane. It would be on a very narrow unmade track with difficult access. The house would also back onto properties on Cartledge Close where it would be higher than existing houses and would overlook their rooms. In the meeting the council recommended refusal on the grounds of visual amenity, poor access and not in keeping with the surroundings. It was also pointed out that the Neighbourhood Plan housing needs survey had indicated that the village did not need any more houses of this size.
- The council considered whether it should grit the village car park on Weaverham Road and decided to adopt the same policy used throughout Cheshire West and Chester which is to not grit car parks.
- There have been comments from residents on the lack of a visible presence from our PCSO. As a result the monthly police surgeries at the library will start again.
- There was, however, praise for the operation at the White Barn traffic lights. The police have said that 'numerous drivers were issued with tickets for contravening a red light and one for using a mobile phone whilst driving', Councillors would like this to be done more often.
- It seems there are 2 lists for those wanting allotments. All those on the parish councils list have been contacted but there may be some who are on Taylor Wimpey's list and who are not known to the council. Taylor Wimpey have been given a list of their legal obligations as agreed before building commenced. There are 12 people who have volunteered for the self governing process and the next step is to set up conditions for managing the allotments.

MERE LANE PARKING UPDATE

Residents will be pleased to note that we have now started work on the Mere Lane car park. Works commenced on 13th March and should be completed by the end of April.

The excavation works have now been completed and new drainage has been installed. Due to a potential footway collapse, a short section of the existing footway has been closed off, for health & safety reasons. We thank residents and businesses for their continued patience during the construction works, but hope that the short term disruption will result in long term parking improvements for the residents and businesses in the village.

On behalf of The Cheshire West and Chester Highways & Parish Council Joint Working Party



Cuddington Neighbourhood Plan

Undertaken by Cuddington Parish Council

Work is progressing on writing policies for the Neighbourhood Plan, based on the consultation we have carried out with residents throughout 2016 in Surveys, Roadshows and Drop-in events. The draft policies will be reviewed by the full Parish Council, and by the Cheshire West and Chester planning team, during April in readiness for Formal Consultation.

Watch out for news on the arrangements for Formal Consultation on the village website, on our Facebook page, in the Round Tower and on posters

Follow us on Twitter: @Cuddington_NP ~ email: cuddingtonnp@gmail.com ~ Ring 07740447982

RAILWAY LINES

Please check before you travel: www.northernrail.org, or 0800 200 6060. On 17 to 21 April the 2248 Chester to Manchester, due Cuddington 2309, is likely to be replaced by a bus, probably calling at Cuddington at 2338. Current information is inconsistent, so check nearer the date.

HOMEWATCH

Contact the police on 101. For emergencies only use 999

To report a crime anonymously – Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

northwich.lpu@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 You can also call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040



**WEAVERVALE ART SOCIETY
SPRING ART EXHIBITION**

Acton Bridge Parish Rooms, Hill Top Road

Friday April 7th: 7pm-9pm

Saturday April 8th: 10am-5pm

Sunday April 9th: 10am-5pm

Entrance £1

New and exciting Art to view and purchase

Wine on Friday, home made cake at the weekend

Raffle for original artwork and other prizes

Dogs welcome so feel free to drop in if you are out walking in the area

**CUDDINGTON & SANDIWAY TENNIS CLUB
QUORN FAMILY TENNIS CUP**

22nd April, 1pm-3.30pm

This is a fantastic opportunity for an adult (age 18+) and a U10 junior (born on/after 01/09/06) from the same family to play together in a fun informal tournament. Only one of the pair entering needs to be a member of our club.

Fantastic prize for the winners.

Saturday Junior Club Easter Break

Sessions finish April 1st and resume April 22nd

For any queries, please call/text 07753472834

**STRINGS, SAUVIGNON AND SAVOURIES
Friday 28th April, 7.30pm
St John's church**

An informal evening of music, conversation, wine and canapés, with violinists Sophie Rosa and Pete Liang, cellists Andrew and Cecily Nesbitt.

Tickets all inclusive £12.50, under 18s £5, available from Kathryn 889879 or Aileen 889287.

FREE IYENGA YOGA

Free Iyenga yoga taster class, suitable for beginners

Saturday May 6th, 2pm-3pm, Village Hall

To book a place ring Karen - 07977 298991

FAMILY EASTER TREASURE HUNT

Saturday April 8th, 12.30-3.30pm

Delamere Park Clubhouse

Organised by Squirrels Pre School

Open to all local families

Entry £2 per child and they will all receive a chocolate prize

Cakes and cream teas ~ Second hand toy stall

Easter bonnet competition ~ Easter crafts

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If you are looking for a pre school place for your child in September 2017 or 2018 there is an online survey you can complete. Details at

<http://www.squirrelsdelamerepark.co.uk/>

**COME AND SING VIVALDI'S GLORIA**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2.30-5.30pm,**

**Concert at 7pm in St John's church,**

Tickets £10, under 18s £5, to include buffet tea: Available from Kathryn 889879 or Aileen 889287.

**Concert to include the *Gloria* and performances by other local music groups.**

Tickets for concert only, for non-performers, £5 (under 18s free).

No need to book, just come along!

**SANDIWAY LIBRARY  
AUTHOR VISIT**

Thursday 27th April 2.30pm

Acclaimed crime writer Matthew Hall (M R Hall) has written several bestselling thrillers. He has also worked on classic television series such as *Kavanagh QC*.

His debut novel, *The Coroner*, was nominated for the Crime Writers Association Golden Dagger award. He has since gone on to publish seven more critically-acclaimed novels, his latest being *A Life to Kill*.

You will have the chance to buy signed copies.

Get advance tickets for £3 at the library.

**LITTLE SUPERSTARS UNDER 5 SPORTS SESSIONS** - now happening at the village hall  
Under 5s sports sessions are unique fun and active classes for children from walking age to five year olds. Children will be given the opportunity to try a total of 14 different sports along with an obstacle course. All the classes aim to help children develop their listening skills, endurance, balance, flexibility, taking it in turn, sharing, ball skills, hand and eye co-ordination, feet and eye co-ordination and teach them that sport can be fun . **Wednesdays, 1pm - term time only** For more details go to: [www.littlesuperstars.co.uk](http://www.littlesuperstars.co.uk), call 07824115223 or email [midcheshire@littlesuperstars.co.uk](mailto:midcheshire@littlesuperstars.co.uk)

**EASTER AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH**

**Palm Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> April**

**10.15am in St John's church hall:** A short family service based on the musical *Resurrection Rock*.

**6.30pm in St John's church:** A peaceful retelling of the Easter story through music and readings.

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2-4pm:** Church open, organ music being played, refreshments available

**Easter Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> April, 6.30pm in St John's church: Take 40 Sunday**

A calm, reflective service. Take 40 minutes out of your day to worship and give thanks.

## Dates for your diary



- Tues April 4th **Cuddington & Sandiway Methodist Wives** - 7.45pm, Methodist Schoolroom.  
Speaker: Judith Popley - Wonderful Wentworth. Visitors welcome, £2.
- Mon April 10th **Northwich Family History Society** - 7.30pm, Methodist Church Hall, Hartford.  
Speaker: Angela Brabin - Poison: a Woman's Weapon. Contact Dave - 01606 624215
- Tues April 11th **English Speaking Union** - Portal Premier Golf Club, Tarporley, 12 noon for 12.30pm  
Speaker: Professor Ian Morrison - Beauty and the Heavens. Booking necessary. Please contact Valerie Mais on 01606 76534 or email; [valerie@mais.demon.co.uk](mailto:valerie@mais.demon.co.uk)
- Tues April 11th **Eddisbury Flower Club** - 2pm, St John's Church Hall. Demonstrator: Jenny Williams - A Gathering of Flowers. Visitors welcome, £5 For further details ring 01606 883473
- Tues April 11th **Sandiway & Cuddington Royal British Legion**, 7.45pm, White Barn
- Tues April 11th **Royal British Legion Women's Section** - 7.30pm, Methodist Church Hall.  
Spring Bingo
- Wed April 12th **Music Train** - Marts ManJazz3 on the 1925 from Cuddington to Chester and 2248 back, then The Deportees at Alexanders. Book online at [www.alexanderslive.com](http://www.alexanderslive.com) for package deal of music and food plus taxis to and from the station at Chester.
- Thur April 13th **Cuddington and Sandiway W I** - 1.45pm, village hall. Speaker: Nick & Paul Bianchi - Arighi Bianchi of Macclesfield. Competition - a souvenir of Italy
- 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
- Wed April 19th **Music train** - promoting Chester Folk Festival. 3 bands: Time Bandits, Steerage Class, and Full House on 1926 to Plumley and then at the Golden Pheasant.  
Return on 2208 from Plumley. Just pay train fare.
- Thur April 27th **Northwich Macular Society** - Hartford Methodist Church Hall, 10am-12noon  
Speaker: Gerry Morgan - Vision Support, Chester. Entrance £1, including refreshments
- Fri April 28th **St John's Soup Lunch** - 12-1pm, St John's church hall  
Homemade soup, fresh bread, hot drink, £4. All welcome
- Sun May 7th **Village Walk** - 10am. Meet at the playing fields car park for a gentle 5 mile stroll around the outskirts of the village
- 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. *Closed Good Friday*  
Freshly ground coffee, locally made cakes, soups and sandwiches. Wraps available from 12-2pm Entrance - side of St John's church hall  
[www.facebook.com/arkcafesandiway](http://www.facebook.com/arkcafesandiway)

## VILLAGE HALL NOTICEBOARD



**Afternoon Tea** - Thursday 6th April, 2pm - 4pm. Come along for tea, cakes and chat.

**Last Film Night of this season** - Wednesday 12th April, 7.30pm

**The African Queen** - starring Humphrey Bogart and Katherine Hepburn. This classic film from 1951 needs no introduction.

Cert PG, £3.50 including refreshments.

**250 Club winners - March Draw**

1st prize (£40) winner - member number 194 Forest Road Park

2nd prize (£20) winner - member number 197 of Sandown Crescent

**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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