

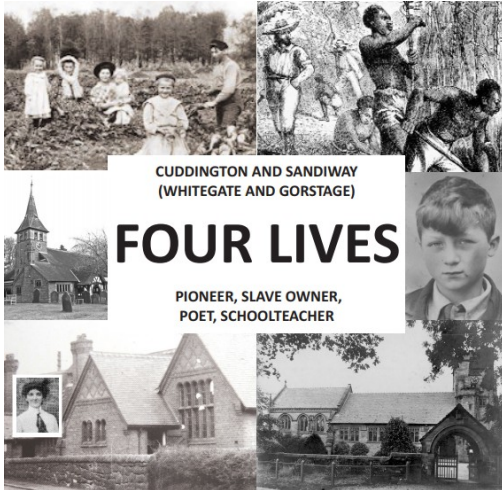
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The free monthly newsletter for Cuddington, Sandiway & Delamere Park. Provided by your Parish Council

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FOUR LIVES

The fifth book by local writer and historian Jill King.

'Pioneer, Slave Owner, Poet, Schoolteacher.'

Each of the those whose lives are chronicled in the book has a strong connection to Cuddington, Sandiway and its environs and all have a very different story to tell.

Farm labourer, William Curwell, made the hazardous journey across the Atlantic to seek a better life and on his death in 1902 his impoverished family back home were to receive an unexpected windfall.

Attorney, Conrade Coulthurst, suddenly found himself the owner of 151 slaves on the island of Barbados. The Coulthurst family resided at Sandiway Cottage and are

remembered on memorials inside Whitegate Church.

Young and talented poet, Joseph Humphreys, drew much of his inspiration from the landscape around 'Old Cuddington.'

Schoolmistress, Catherine Drowley, taught at Sandiway School for 35 years influencing the lives of a generation of local children but her life drew more than its fair share of personal tragedy.

This fascinating read from new, original research can be obtained by; contacting the author directly on 01606 888402 ~ emailing; roghax@talktalk.net visiting the publisher's website - www.cc-publishing.co.uk

'Four Lives' by Jill E King - C.C.Publishing(Chester) ISBN: 978-0-949001 priced £9.95.

SOS SANDIWAY SURGERY UPDATE

Following the public meeting organised by Cuddington Parish Council in January, and the subsequent feedback from Danebridge Medical Practice, the Parish Council has written formally to the Practice to express their opposition to the proposed closure.

Our MP Edward Timpson raised a question, on our behalf, in the House of Commons (Tuesday 10th March) on the proposed closure of Sandiway surgery. The response by the Minister, Jo Churchill included the statement: "...the Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspection last May highlighted safety concerns at Sandiway surgery, and significant investment is required to bring the premises up to standard...." The residents Action Group has seen no evidence of this in the published CQC report and has written to Edward to request clarification of the Minister's source of information.

The Action Group is continuing to raise questions to try to establish the reasons for the proposed closure and is awaiting responses from the Practice. We will keep you informed of progress.

CANCELLATIONS

The Village Gala has been cancelled

All planned activities to celebrate VE day have been cancelled

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

In accordance with current instructions issued in response to the Covid 19 outbreak, all parish council meetings have been suspended. This situation will be reviewed on June 15th

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

Agendas and Minutes of meetings can be found at; www.candsonline.org

Cuddington Parish Council – Cuddington Ward NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

A casual vacancy has arisen in the Office of Councillor for the above Ward.

Cuddington Parish Council therefore invites residents interested in co option, to contact during office hours:

Mrs Julie Chrimes - Clerk to the Council

Sunnyside, Withens Lane, Weaverham, Cheshire CW8 3HX

Telephone: 01606 852444

email: clerktoipc@hotmail.co.uk

SANDIWAY LIBRARY

The library is now closed until further notice. Loan periods have been extended and no fines will be charged.

Remember that you can also access eBooks, Audio downloads, and eMagazines free of charge via their website: www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/libraries

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STAMPS

'David Frith wishes to express a very sincere thank you to all the people who have delivered stamps to his home so far this year in support of the Leprosy Mission. The response has been tremendous. Leprosy continues to be one of the world's most stigmatised diseases, with sufferers being marginalised from society. Your help is invaluable in helping to finance ongoing research into a cure for this disease! Please continue to save all those used stamps'.



RAILWAY LINES *Please check before you travel, alterations can happen at short notice:*
www.northernrailway.co.uk, or 0800 200 6060

The live departures board can be accessed on this link

<http://www.livedepartureboards.co.uk/northern/summary.aspx?T=CUD&R=1>

At the time of writing there had not been a planned service reduction. However there had been a number of cancellations.

As things are changing so fast we recommend that travellers check at the time of travel using the contact information given

HOMEWATCH

Contact the police on 101. For emergencies only use 999

Non emergency contact with North Police: northwich.lpu@cheshire.pnn.police.uk

Alternatively ring 101 and ask to be put through to your local neighbourhood officer. This may be an answer phone service. Your call will be returned.

To report a crime anonymously ring Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

You can also call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040

VILLAGE HALL NOTICEBOARD



It is with great reluctance that the managers of the village hall have decided to close it with immediate effect. This has been done to ensure the safety of all people using the hall and our team of volunteers. We will continue to monitor the situation and reopen the hall as soon as government guidelines suggest it is safe to do so.

The children's playground is also closed, as well as the adjacent public toilets.

The Village Hall management urge all members of the public to follow the government guideline on social distancing, and to please stay away from all the equipment on the playground.

Please note that the hall surroundings and the playground are constantly monitored by CCTV.

250 Club March Draw winners

1st prize £40 winner - member number 34 of Mayfield Drive

2nd prize £20 winner - member number 119 of St John's Way

ST JOHN'S CHURCH

All of St John's events and services are suspended for the time being.

St John's will be open for personal prayer from Wednesday 1st April at the following times:

Sunday 10am-12noon, Monday 10am-12noon, Tuesday 10am-12noon

Wednesday 7-9pm, Thursday 10am-12noon, Friday 10am-12noon

In church you will be able to pick up a copy of the sermon for the week and some ideas to guide your prayers.

Foodbank donations can be left in the box in church.

The Ark Café is closed but will be trialling sandwich deliveries on Fridays in April, for those who are self-isolating: please call 07955 600570 or email Nicola.stjohnsandway@gmail.com

Check out St John's Facebook Page and website for prayers and activities for children and adults.

A MESSAGE FROM VALE ROYAL LIONS

“Looking for something interesting to do? Think that you can help make a difference?

Looking for a change to your weekly routine, giving something back to your community and generating a sense of achievement and satisfaction? Then your local Lions club may be able to help and, at the same time, you can meet some friendly people!

We recognise friendship as being important to most people and our members offer an immediate group of companions who enjoy social occasions together.

The Lions motto is “We Serve” and Vale Royal Lions have been serving our local community for over 40 years, in a wide area around Northwich and Winsford. Service takes many forms including practical assistance, financial help and support for other worthwhile charities. We focus on Youth and encourage them in development and welfare activities, and, at the other end of the scale, give backing to our senior citizens in various ways. Both individuals and groups approach us for help with critical issues and often we are able to help.

We are able to assist the local communities of Lions in other countries, such as those in Australia currently suffering with the bushfires disaster. We have always targeted Sight as a key health area and projects include working with the Moorfields Eye hospital in London to improve sight care in Ghana, and vision screening at primary schools in the UK is being considered.

100% of the money that we raise is donated to charitable purposes

We meet twice per month and all we ask is that members attend meetings and help with charity activities as much as their personal time allows. If you would like more information, please contact us on 0345 833 8496 (local rate). Everyone is welcome

ALMOST ALL GROUP GATHERINGS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED BECAUSE OF THE RECENT PRECAUTIONS ANNOUNCED BY THE GOVERNMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID 19 OUTBREAK.

This page is therefore being used to inform residents of whatever help is being set up to help the vulnerable and anyone who is self isolating for any reason.

The parish council has been instructed not to produce paper copies of the newsletter this month. Also please let us know of any initiatives you are aware of that can be advertised here.

Please be aware that things are changing very quickly and we cannot guarantee that the information given here will not have changed when you read this.

LITTLERS BUTCHERS "As we are now descending into what looks like a severe crisis of health and confidence we think it is only right that we look after our customers who may feel under pressure and fear isolation. We are now offering a free daily doorstep delivery service in conjunction with Fruitlands fruit and veg shop in Sandiway.

Please ring all orders to our Sandiway shop on 01606 883146 as that is where we will be coordinating the service from."

CUDDINGTON NEWS are offering a home delivery service.

You can order by phone on 01606 852585.

SNOW ANGELS

We are supporting older people at the moment with telephone befriending calls, help with shopping and delivering prescriptions, dog walking and delivering emergency food parcels through Mid Cheshire Foodbank. We are always glad to have volunteers and at this time we particularly need people to help out.

If you are an older person who would like support please contact us on 0300 666 6226 or email us at info@snowangels.org.uk

If you would like to volunteer you can download our application form here

<http://www.snowangels.org.uk/get-involved/>

or phone us and we will send you one out in the post; 0300 666 6226

FOOD BANK

Foodbanks report that they are struggling at the present time.

The number of donations has fallen and also they are short of volunteers as many of their regulars are elderly and have chosen to self isolate for their own protection.

If you can help please contact them at; <https://midcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/>

Local donation points include St John's Church, Sainsburys in Hartford,

St Mary's church, Weaverham (Saturdays 10am-2pm)

DELAMERE PARK

The Trustees are setting up a system to connect volunteers to help out neighbours as needed. If you need some help with shopping etc please contact reception (01606 889263) and provide contact details which we can pass on to one of the volunteers.

If you are happy to help neighbours with shopping etc during the next few weeks please get in touch with reception and leave your address and contact details.

More information including up-to-date travel, news, events, and much more, can be found on our village website: www.cuddingtonandsandiwayonline.org

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