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CLEAN FOR THE QUEEN

Clean for the Queen is a national campaign to clean up Britain in time for her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday, which is officially celebrated in June 2016.

Do you or your school, business or voluntary organisation want to join in the Cuddington, Delamere Park and Sandiway Clean up on March 4th 5th and 6th?

If so then follow the link below to register your activity: www.cleanforthequeen.co.uk

If you would like to be allocated an area in the village to clean up then please contact Tim Vincent on 01606 882600

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STORY

The following response was received after last month's item about drivers' attitudes to the zebra crossing outside Sandiway School

"As a driver passing the school every morning - at school arrival time - can I ask that some of the parents be made aware of the purpose of a zebra crossing!! On the majority of mornings the majority of parents who park in the church hall car park do not walk up to and use the zebra crossing - they simply run their children across the road directly from the church hall to the school gate - some don't even cross with their children - just send them across on their own. There is one parent who stops on the school zigzags and their child gets out of the car - I have seen this happen both on the school side of the road and on the church hall side of the road. It is not only illegal to stop on the zigzags, but it is dangerous both for the child and other road users, with visibility restricted.

This week alone I have had a mother with babe in arms look right towards the crossing but not left where I was coming from - and simply step into the road. I am so aware of parents not bothering to look that I am always ready to brake in case a child or parent appears.

There is a car park attached to the school off Weaverham Road, which the parish council paid for and if parents used this then their children wouldn't have to cross the road at all."

The Ark

Café opening event

Saturday 13th
February

10am-12 noon at St John's church hall

Enjoy freshly roasted coffee, a selection of teas & soft drinks, and locally made cakes all at reasonable prices.

Neil Pybus, classical guitarist,
helps St John's celebrate this new venture.

Entrance at the side of St John's church hall.

All welcome.



WOMENS' WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

FRIDAY 4TH MARCH, 2PM
GOSPEL CHURCH, SCHOOL LANE

The theme this year is

'Receive children. Receive me' and its focus is on the women of Cuba

The Happy Harmony Choir will present reflections on this theme in Songs, Prayers and Readings

With refreshments afterwards

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - JANUARY 2016

The next meeting of the parish council will take place at the village hall on Monday February 15th at 7.30pm - with a Public Forum at 7.15pm when residents can put questions to the council.

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.cuddingtonandsandiway.co.uk

CWAC councillor Harry Tonge informed the council that there were planning applications regarding Delamere Manor on Cuddington Lane. One concerned a licence to hold weddings in the Pump House which is a building in the manor grounds. Permission was granted last year but with restrictions concerning noise, traffic and bats. There is now an application to lift these. The other concerns the use of the manor for entertainment. Details of these plans are on the CWAC website, with the closing date for comments being February 10th. The council has asked for an extension as they wish to discuss it at the next meeting when all necessary details will be available. They also want to make sure residents have time to make their comments as it was anticipated that this will cause concerns about traffic and noise. There would be a considerable volume of traffic (estimated to be up to a possible 110 vehicles) approaching the premises at times on what are essentially narrow, winding country lanes often with poor visibility. It is also used by many for leisure whether it is walking, cycling or horse riding as Cuddington Lane, where vehicles will access the site, is part of the recently opened Delamere Loop leisure trail. The application also includes the use of fireworks.

- A resident asked how the sale of Fleamoss Pit will be organised. He had noted that Wright Marshall is handling the sale. It was explained that the agents were only involved in receiving sealed bids which will then be passed, unopened, to the parish council after the closing date. It will be the council who will then decide which bid is successful.
- There has been an application by DeFine Food and Wine to extend their licensing hours for 2 hours beyond their current one. This would apply to their existing premises and a new extension. The council had no objection to this but would like an assurance that proper consideration is given to the vehicle access situation in the car park.
- Council heard that certain places such as Chester and Weaverham could have designated 20mph zones where appropriate. Cuddington was not included in this but councillors felt that it could be appropriate in some parts of the village.
- The tennis club has asked for some changes in their tenancy agreement with the Playing Fields Association which would enable them to access money from the Lawn Tennis Association to make improvements to their lighting.
- After discussion it was agreed that the new car park on Mere Lane will need lighting as the street lights already there will not be adequate. The proposed car park will be a continuation of the existing one opposite the shops and will extend along the open space on Mere Lane towards Weaverham Road.

HOMEWATCH

The police are helping in a search for volunteers from the community

St Luke's Hospice needs your support

The hospice has a huge team of volunteers in the community doing various roles to raise much needed funds to keep the hospice running with its team of dedicated carers and support staff.

They are looking for volunteers who can assist at the furniture warehouse situated on Winsford 1 to 5 Industrial Estate. The roles are for assisting with a busy house clearance operation. They require Drivers, Drivers' mates, sales, sorting and Ebay volunteers.

If you think you can help please contact;

Pam Ford, Volunteer Support on 01606 555690

Pamela.Ford@stlukes-hospice.co.uk

Contact the police on 101. For emergencies only use 999

To report a crime anonymously – Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111

northwich.npu@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

NEW SEASON AT THE BOWLING CLUB

The Bowling Club Registration Meeting will be held in the Methodist Church Hall, Weaverham Road on 23rd February at 7-30 pm.

This is the opportunity when new and existing members can register their interest in the teams and other club events which the club will be fielding (or should that be greening) in the upcoming 2016 season.



NEW GARDENING CLUB STARTING SOON

It will be held weekly, starting on Monday 22nd February 2.30-4pm.

Love gardening? Want to meet and chat with others, share seeds, cuttings, advice? Sandiway Library gardening club could be the place to make new friends and chat! Enough enthusiastic people have come forward for this to become a reality.

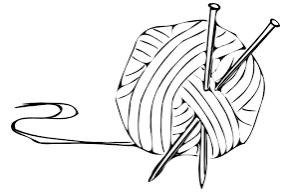
Contact the library on 01606 888065 or ask staff for more details

NEW KNITTING GROUP starting February 26th

If you enjoy knitting, sewing crocheting, embroidery or any needlecraft come along Beginner or expert, it doesn't matter, enjoy your craft in good company.

Ark Cafe, St John's Church Hall, Fridays 10.30 to 12.30

Contact: Barbara Daniels: 01606 888285 or Eve Sherlock: 01928 371701



CUDDINGTON & SANDIWAY GALA DAY SELECTION FOR OUR 2016 COMMUNITY QUEEN AND HER ROYAL RETINUE



Will take place on March 20th 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 11th

Children entering the competition £1. All others free

Smart day dress to be worn

For more information contact Jan on 01606 301579

VALE ROYAL STRING ORCHESTRA CONCERT



St John's Church Hall
Sunday 28th February, 7.30pm

Programme

Ancient Airs and Dances - Respighi

Cello concerto in A minor - Schuman

String Symphony in G minor - Mendelssohn
(1st movement only)

Serenade No 1 by Fuchs

Tickets £10 - available on the door or from
Margaret Parks-Smith on 01606 882007

OPERA AT DAVENHAM THEATRE Saturday February 20th

'Belle Voci'

A fresh and exciting opera duo who have recently performed at the Echo Arena in Liverpool and will be presenting a diverse selection of well-loved duets and arias

Doors open 7.15pm Performance 8pm

Dress - Black Tie

Tickets £12 to include prosecco & canapés
from www.danarts.org
or ring 01606 259596

RAILWAY LINES Please check before you travel: www.northernrail.org, or **0333 222 0125**
Information screens have been installed on the station, giving details of the next train. If a train is cancelled, only the time of the following train may be shown.

Monday 22 to Thursday 25th February: the 2248 Chester to Manchester (due Cuddington 2309) will be a bus, calling at Cuddington at 2338.



Dates for your diary

- Tues Feb 2nd **Cuddington & Sandiway Methodist Wives** - 7.45pm, Methodist Schoolroom. Speaker: Evan Jones - Poetry, Music and a Chat. Visitors welcome, £2
- Fri Feb 5th **19th, Messy Church**, 4pm-5.30pm, St John's Church Hall. Fun, crafts, celebration and food! Entrance free: donations welcome to cover cost of food. Everyone welcome. For more details, contact Emma:emma.nicholl@hotmail.co.uk
- Mon Feb 8th **Northwich Family History Society** - 7.30pm, Methodist Church Hall, Hartford. Bring something Ancestral. Contact Dave - 01606 624215
- Tues Feb 9th **Eddisbury Flower Club** - 2pm, St John's Church Hall. Speaker: Diane Fair - Tis a Gift. Visitors welcome, £5. For further details ring 01606 883473
- Tues Feb 9th **Pancake Party**, 3.30-5pm, St John's Church Hall Lounge. (Please use side entrance) For all the family. Pancakes 50p each.
- Tues Feb 9th **Low Vision Services** - provided by the Iris Centre at AGE UK, Chester Road, Hartford. Free advice on vision problems and aids. For further information and/or an appointment please ring The IRIS Centre in Crewe on 01270 250316
- Tues Feb 9th **English Speaking Union** - Portal Premier Golf Club, 12 noon for 12.30. Speaker: Professor Ian Morison - Are We Alone? The Search for Life Beyond the Earth. Booking necessary. Please contact Valerie Mais on 01606 76534 or via email: valerie@mais.demon.co.uk
- Thur Feb 11th **Cuddington and Sandiway W I** - 1.45pm, village hall. Speaker: Eileen Wilshaw - Inns, Taverns & Ale houses of Historic Chester.
- Fri Feb 12th **Mid Cheshire Ornithological Society**, 7.45pm (doors open 7.30), Village Hall. Speaker: Pauline & Ian Greenhalgh - A Shot of Wildlife (2011) Visitors welcome, Adults £3, Children £1. For more information ring 01606 882529
- Tues Feb 23rd **Royal British Legion Women's Section**, Methodist Hall, 2pm. Making an Easter Card
- Fri Feb 26th **Soup Lunch**, St John's church hall, 12 noon - 1pm. Homemade soup, fresh bread, hot drink, £4. All welcome.
- Tues Mar 1st **Cuddington & Sandiway Methodist Wives** - 7.45pm, Methodist Schoolroom. Speaker: Ray Young - The Making of Jewellery. Visitors welcome, £2
- Saturdays **St John's Church** is open from 10am-12noon. Coffee & cake available (no charge). Come and enjoy some time in this beautiful setting.
- Thursdays **Community Engagement Drop-In** - 2pm onwards, Sandiway Library with Fiona Dunning. Groups can come and discuss funding, events, and community activities
- Thursdays **Cuddington & Sandiway Youth Club**, term time only from 7-8.30pm for 11-16 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 February 4th, 2pm-4pm. £1.50. Come along for tea & cakes and chat

Film Night - Wednesday February 10th, 7.30pm

Suite Française Based on Irene Nemirovsky's novel, the film vividly depicts life in France under foreign occupation.

Starring Kristin Scott Thomas and Matthias Schönaerts.

Cert 15, £3.50 includes refreshments.

250 Club winners - January Draw

1st prize (£40) winner: member number 131 of Moorlands Park

2nd prize (£20) winner: member number 45 of Park Crescent

Visit; 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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