

# CUXTON NOTICEBOARD



The Newsletter by and for the people of Cuxton

September 2022

## CUXTON'S FIRST OPEN GARDENS EVENT

The first ever Cuxton Open Gardens event took place on Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup> and was a huge success. A small group of residents got together to organise the event and encouraged neighbours and friends to join them in opening their gardens to the public.

They were delighted to welcome more than 100 visitors to the 12 gardens on show. The weather for the event was fine and refreshments were available at three of the gardens.

Donations from refreshments and plant sales together with ticket sales raised £700 for charity, which is a wonderful result.

Many thanks are extended to all those who opened their gardens and made the event possible, and to the Parish Council and 'Sustainable Garden Solutions' who provided sponsorship for the event. Thanks must also go to Tony Dobbs for his artwork skills, to the organising committee and to all the visitors.

Next year we hope to run the event over two days (provisionally the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> June) with tickets hopefully being on sale at the Big Lunch. If you are interested in opening your garden in 2023 or joining the organising committee then please contact Leigh on [leighpowis0@gmail.com](mailto:leighpowis0@gmail.com).

*Leigh Powis, Secretary, Cuxton Open Gardens*



## CUXTON WHITE HART PUB'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL IS BACK!

Dear Cuxtonian friends,

We would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone that came to our little festival! We truly appreciate you coming, as always, in such big numbers to support our wonderful community and our little village pub.

It was a lovely day of great music, and we couldn't have done it without you. A great big THANK YOU to our wonderful event organiser, Robin Bourner, all the bands and everyone who helped keep the show going.

At the event, money was raised for the charity the 'Cuxton and Cobham Woodlands Project' at a stall run by Roger and Hilary Savage.

*White Hart Pub*



## DEFIBRILLATOR FAMILIARISATION SESSION

The Parish Council would once again like to offer our thanks to the entire village for your previous donations which enabled the purchase and installation of the defibrillator located at Cuxton Social Club. We understand what a help this could be in the event of an emergency.

We have arranged a defibrillator familiarisation session where villagers will be able to find out more about how defibrillators work, when they are used and other relevant information.

We would like to invite all interested villagers to attend this session which will be held between 6pm and 7pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022 in the Social Club Hall.

Due to capacity, we do have a maximum number of attendees we are able to host. If you are interested in attending, please contact the Parish Clerk on [clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk) to be added to the attendee list.



## THANK YOU, CUXTON

Maureen Vinicombe would like to thank all her friends and neighbours for their help and assistance, cards and good wishes after her recent accident. It is a pleasure to live in a village where people know and look out for each other. Once again thank you.

## NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTORS

Thank you to all the villagers who responded to our request for help in delivering newsletters to Ladywood Road, Demelza Close and part of Bush Road. Your offers of help were appreciated.

We are still looking for a volunteer to distribute the newsletter to 17 homes on Rochester Road (numbers 58-76 and 41-51). If you are able to help, please contact the Clerk on [clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Cuxton Parish Council invites all villagers to attend our annual **Christmas tree lighting and carol singing** event on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022** at **Cuxton Library Garden**.

Cuxton Parish Council is also pleased to confirm the date for next year's **Big Lunch**. Please join us on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023** at **Cuxton Recreation Ground**.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CUXTON SOCIAL CLUB

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August

**HAWAIIAN BEACH PARTY** in the Members Garden from 2pm.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

**BEER PRESSURE** in the Members Bar from 8:30pm.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September

**COCKNEY NIGHT** with food, in the Hall from 6pm. Please book in advance as spaces are limited.

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September

**QUEEN GUILLOTINE** from 8pm in the Hall. Free entry.

### WHITE HART PUB

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

**KEPLER 22**



## St. Michael and All Angels' Parish Church

Rochester Road (A228), Cuxton ME2 1AF

*invites you to an evening of musical entertainment featuring*

## Tideway Folk Group

and singer Dawn Gates



In aid of **CANCER RESEARCH UK**  
Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022, 7pm



Many of us know people affected by cancer - please help us to help more people come through by supporting the work of Cancer Research UK.

Entrance to the concert is free. Places must be booked at:

<https://tideway-cuxton.eventbrite.com>

Donations to Cancer Research UK can be made at the concert or online any time by scanning the QR code on the right or going to this link:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/tideway-charity-concerts>



Refreshments available after the concert.

This concert is one of three being held during October, in **Plumstead, Cuxton** and **Horsham**.

**We look forward to welcoming you. Thank you!**

Cancer Research UK is a registered charity in England and Wales (1089464)



## NOTICE OF UNLICENSED BOOT CAMPS IN RECREATION GROUND

For many years now there has been one successful Boot Camp running at 7pm on Monday evenings in the Recreation Ground. This group has a license to use the site and provides copies of its public liability insurance and risk assessments to Cuxton Parish Council annually. The Monday evening Boot Camp leader also pays an annual fee for the license and has been assured that no other bootcamp will be licensed to run on a Monday evening.

Over the last year at least one unlicensed Boot Camp has established a business in the Recreation Ground. Cuxton Parish Council has a duty of care to the public to ensure that anyone running a Bootcamp on Parish Council land is licensed, appropriately qualified, holds sufficient public liability insurance and has sound risk assessments in place. This process is designed to keep participants safe. For details of Council's responsibility, you can access the legal note on the Parish Council website on <https://cuxtonpc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Responsibilities-Of-Councils-As-A-Landowner.pdf>

Anyone wishing for further information or to apply for a license should contact the Clerk at [clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk)

*Cllr Kay Hutchfield, Chairman, Cuxton Parish Council*

## What's On In Cuxton

**White Hart** [www.whitehartcuxton.co.uk](http://www.whitehartcuxton.co.uk) Tel: 01634 789969

**Golden River Chinese** Tel: 01634 296888 (Collection service only)

**Cuxton Social Club** Tel: 01634 718068

To advertise an event or group on the Cuxton Parish Facebook, Twitter or Instagram page please contact the Clerk by emailing: [clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk)

### Cuxton Library

Opening hours:

- Tuesday 9am to 1pm
- Thursday & Friday 2pm to 6pm
- Saturday 10am to 4pm (no lunch closure)

The public computers are available for library members for one hour sessions. There is a charge of £3 per half hour for guest sessions.

White and blue recycling bags are available for collection during opening hours.

Email: [cuxton.library@medway.gov.uk](mailto:cuxton.library@medway.gov.uk)

Tel: 01634 337799

### Useful Contacts

Medway Council has a website that deals with a variety of problems including; dogs, fly-tipping, roads, street lighting and a range of other issues.

[https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200176/report\\_a\\_problem](https://www.medway.gov.uk/info/200176/report_a_problem)

**Cuxton Recycling Centre:** To book a slot go onto the Medway Council site and select a date and time. **NO booking, NO entry.**

<https://www.medway.gov.uk/tipbooking>

**Doctor out of hours:** 111

**Police:** 101 for non urgent matters

**Public defibrillators:** Boxes on the walls of the Social Club and Church Hall

### Cuxton Parish Councillors

Kay Hutchfield (**Chairman**) [chairman@cuxtonpc.org.uk](mailto:chairman@cuxtonpc.org.uk)

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**2 vacancies**

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**Parish Clerk:** [clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk) 01634 730951

**The Parish Office:** The Pavilion, Cuxton Recreation Ground, Bush Road, Cuxton ME2 1EZ

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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/CuxtonParishCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/CuxtonParishCouncil)

### Academy of Cuxton Schools

#### Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September to Friday  
21<sup>st</sup> October

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Friday  
16<sup>th</sup> December

#### Spring Term 2023

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January to Friday 10<sup>th</sup>  
February



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*Serving our community*

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