



The Newsletter by and for the people of Cuxton October 2023

CUXTON FIREWORK DISPLAY, SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2023





The Wheel of Cuxton annual Fireworks Display will be going ahead this year on Saturday 4th November.

Following the success of our trial of quieter fireworks last year we are going to continue to use them.

Due to the current financial situation, we will be maintaining the ticket costs at the 2019 prices, and tickets will be available in advance of the display. Further details will be announced via the Village Facebook pages.

The Wheel of Cuxton suffered a financial loss on last year's display, and this year we have had to increase the budget for the Fireworks due to general cost increases. It is likely that ticket prices will have to go up next year, 2024.

Any voluntary organisation or charity based within Cuxton is welcome to have a fund-raising stall at our event, but we need to plan for all who are attending. If your organisation would like to have a stall on the night, please contact us via email: GJCCuxton@btinternet.com, before 15th October 2023, so that we can make arrangements with stall holders.

We would welcome assistance from volunteers who would like to help us on 4th November. Please turn up at the Recreation Ground during the morning, we will be onsite from around 9am. All help will be greatly appreciated. If you can't make it on Saturday morning, we also need help on the following Sunday morning to clean the Recreation Ground, and make sure that it is ready for the regular users of the area.

CUXTON ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

We are now approaching the time when the tenants' contracts are due for renewal.

We are already aware of 2 plot holders who need to vacate, so now is a great opportunity for anyone interested in joining our community allotment site to be involved. There will be several sizes, so if you are a "newbie" or have tackled a plot before, then it is likely we will be able to accommodate you. Please contact the parish clerk on clerk@cuxtonpc.org.uk and you will be contacted to arrange a suitable time for a visit.

We look forward to meeting you (and your families).

CUXTON COUNTRYSIDE GROUP

Unfortunately, we had to call off the Beating the Bounds last year, because of inclement weather, which would have made the walk unsafe.

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The rearranged date is now Sunday 15th October, (again weather permitting), which which will allow us time to clear the necessary footpaths of encroaching vegetation.

This "Beating the Bounds" will be around the full perimeter of our village, and the walk will start at 0930hrs and end at the White Hart. We will book lunches for those interested.

The walk is generally steadily uphill for the first section, before we reach Warren House, where we will have a break for refreshments. Stout walking shoes are recommended, together with a water bottle and lots of energy. The second section is more challenging, as we pass through woodlands and some steeper slopes on the way back. There will be some tree-marking enroute.

If you would like to take part, or are considering joining our volunteers and helping to keep the Cuxton footpaths open, please let Jan know on 01634 712157.

Peninsula Big Rand

An Open Rehearsal leaturing

Christmas Music in the Big Band Style

Friday 8th December

at 7.30pm

St Michael & All Angels Church, Cuxton

Light refreshments available

Donations in aid of church funds

JOB VACANCY

A fantastic opportunity has arisen at Cuxton Social Club for a Bar Manager/Steward.

The ideal candidate would have experience in managing staff and a mature friendly nature.

Bar experience and some management would be preferential, but full training can be provided for the right person. Will include some weekend and Bank Holiday hours. Above minimum wage offered, depending on experience.

Please contact <u>Cuxtonsc@gmail.com</u> with a CV or brief covering letter before 30th September. All applicants considered. We are always looking for friendly bar staff ideally with experience but training can be provided.

PARISH CLERK VACANCY

Cuxton Parish Council has a vacancy for a Parish Clerk working 35 hours per week.

If you are interested in applying for this position, please see our website cuxtonpc.org.uk. For further details use this link: https://cuxtonpc.org.uk/about-us/vacancy-parish-clerk-and-rfo/

MEDWAY COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN

The consultation is now open. Please use this link to our website for further information

https://cuxtonpc.org.uk/notices/your-medway-your-future-your-say-important-consultation-information/ and have your say at https://www.medway.gov.uk/FutureMedway

CUXTON OPEN GARDENS – CALLING ALL GARDENERS

We hope to run another Open Gardens event in June 2024.

If you have an interesting garden and would be able to join in on June 16th, we would love to hear from you. You don't need to have a plot that would win at Chelsea, just a space that you could let visitors see. The idea is for people to see how you have managed your outdoor space and to get ideas for their own. It could have vegetables, flowers, trees, shrubs, rockeries, water features, play areas, wildlife areas. All of the above or just one but absolutely anything is always lovely.

If your garden is to the rear, access has to be via a side or rear entrance, no going through the house. We are also looking for sponsors to help cover the annoying but inevitable cost of running an event such as this.

It was a successful event last year and raised lots of money for charity

If you can be involved in anyway please contact us on leighpowis0@gmail.com.

30TH STROOD (CUXTON AND HALLING) SCOUT GROUP

QUIZ NIGHT

Sat. 14th October. 7.15pm for 7.30pm start.

Teams of 8 people max. £6 per head. Please bring your own food and drinks.

To book your place, please contact Matthew on 01634 727424.

Thank you for your support!

FUN £10 per person - Book Online Meet & feed the alpacas dressed in your spookiest costume. Join in activities such as a halloween hunt, arts & crafts, spooky what's in the box & pumpkin bowling. OCT 25TH-29TH WWW.lowerbushalpacas.co.uk

MRS PATRICIA BORER

The Parish Council was saddened to be informed of the recent passing of Mrs Patricia Borer, a previous chair of the Parish Council. Mrs Borer was instrumental in arranging for the metal Cuxton signs at the entrances to the village to be commissioned and for supporting the original building of the Parish Council offices.

The Parish Council send our condolences to her family and friends.

QUIZ EVENING For Church funds To be held at St Michael's Church Hall

Saturday 21st October 7.30pm start.

Teams 6-8 or come as individuals.

Please book with Rector roger@cuxtonandhalling.org.uk

01634 717134

Please bring own food and drink.

Entry £6.00 per person.

WHAT'S ON IN CUXTON

Cuxton Social Club

Friday 6th October: Slide Oasis - In the Events Hall. Doors open from 7pm. Not recommended for younger children. Tickets are £5 per person from the bar.

Friday 27th October: Halloween Fancy Dress Party - In the Events Hall from 7pm. All welcome. DJ playing all the classics. Fancy dress recommended.

White Hart

Friday 13th October: The Miles Cookman Band – From 9pm

Cuxton Library

Open Tuesday 9am to 1pm, Thursday & Friday 2pm to 6pm, Saturday 10am to 4pm (no lunch closure). Public computers are available for one hour sessions for library members. 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

Tel: 01634 337799

White Hart 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

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 p roblem

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

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Academy of Cuxton Schools

Autumn Term 1

Friday 1st September – Friday 20th October

Inset day - Monday 30th October

Half Term - Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October

Autumn Term 2

Monday 30th October – Wednesday 20th December



Serving our community

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