CUXTON NOTICEBOARD



The Newsletter by and for the people of Cuxton November 2023

CUXTON'S BEATING THE BOUNDS WALK





The October sun shone as 22 brave walkers assembled outside the White Hart, determined to face the challenges of the day ahead, with a walk lasting 6 hours in the end.

The Cuxton Countryside Group organised this event again, as we continue to celebrate a 400-year plus tradition of walking around the whole perimeter of Cuxton. We decided not to face the first step of wading into the middle of the River Medway and swimming to the Medway motorway bridge, where our boundary lies. Passing through Ranscombe Nature Reserve, we came to an old beech tree, just before the path turning towards Cobham, and "chose" a young gallant volunteer to beat against the tree. After encouragement, they yelled hard enough, to deter any from the adjoining parish, to cross into Cuxton as they would suffer the same beating!

The tree was then marked and we continued via the Darnley Mausoleum and ended outside Warren House, where Matthew Wells provided us with much needed refreshments. A number of walkers "retired" at this point and made their way back to Cuxton. Our boundary route then led us into the woods, where we found another suitable beech tree, which has been marked for very many years, and another "volunteer" was found to beat against this tree, whose cries echoed around and caused the desired effect!

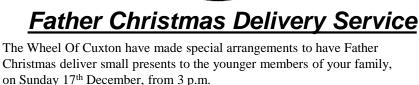
Several daunting steep hills were then negotiated, at a slowish pace, before our walkers finally realised where they were when we sighted Dean Valley. A great sigh of relief was then heard when I mentioned that the path was then downhill to the White Hart, and the end of our 3-yearly venture.

We hope you can join us in 2026. You can start your training walks now! Ian Gray CCG

The Wheel



Of Cuxton





Should you wish to have \underline{SMALL} presents (no bigger than 20cm x 10cm x 10cm, i.e., will fit through your letter box, any bigger presents will \underline{NOT} be accepted). (There will be a box on the table when you deliver your presents, if the lid closes with the present inside it will be accepted), delivered to your

children (1 present per child only please), the cost will be £ 5.00 for up to 2 presents per household. If you would like more than 2 presents delivered please add an additional £ 1.00 per present.

Please NOTE, only 100 applications can be accepted, and should there be COVID Restrictions or Incidents, then the event may be amended or cancelled.

- Fill out the slip at the bottom of this page and post it on Saturday 2nd December into The Father Christmas
 Postbox INSIDE Cuxton Scout Hall, from 9.00am. All entries must be placed in the Postbox.
 Representatives from the Wheel will be on hand to answer any questions.
 - DO NOT LEAVE YOUR FORM BEFORE 9.00AM OR PUT IT IN THE POSTBOX OUTSIDE, these will NOT be put in the Father Christmas post box.
- 2. The Post box will remain until 11.00am, and then be removed.
- 3. The 100 applications will then be selected randomly from the post box.

You will be advised via email whether your application has been successful or unsuccessful, so please ensure that your email address is CLEARLY written. If an email address is unreadable then the form will be discarded, and another selected. If you have not received confirmation either way by Saturday 9th December contact cuxtonfatherchristmas@btinternet.com

4. If you are accepted, bring the presents and **correct** money to **Cuxton Scout Hall** on **Thursday 14th December** between 7.30 p.m. and 8.30 p.m. Please attach a label similar to the ones below to each parcel, (First name in **LARGE CAPITALS** please).

First Name:

Surname:

Surname:

Address:

Address:

If you need any more labels, please write some similar to those above

Please Tear Off and place in the Post Box at the Scout Hall. By submitting my application, I accept that the Wheel of Cuxton may make alternative arrangements or cancel the event should there be COVID restrictions or incidents.

Parents' Name:

Child /s Names:

(Add to back of slip if necessary)

Address:

CUXTON ALLOTMENTS

The Parish Council is now renewing our contracts for the coming year. We are aware that several plot holders may be "retiring" from their community plots (and possibly a raised bed), which means we can place people on our waiting list. Sadly, If you are leaving us, or wish to be placed on the waiting list, please email:
caaplots@gmail.com with your name and a phone contact number.

Peninsula Big Band

An Open Rehearsal featuring 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



MEDWAY COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN

The consultation closes on 31st October. Please use this link to our website 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 TINY TOTS

Fun play time for babies and toddlers with different activities each week.

For updates and information check out our facebook page: *Cuxton Tinytots*

Everyone is welcome with hot and cold drinks provided as well as biscuits and fruit for all. £5 for first child and then £1 for siblings.

Wednesday Term Time

Cuxton Social Club Hall

9.45am - 11.15am



WHAT'S ON IN CUXTON

Cuxton Social Club

Friday 10th November – Brad Pittance & the Pirates. Doors from 7pm in the Events Hall. 5-piece reggae and ska band playing the best energetic classic covers

White Hart

Saturday 28th October – Halloween Party from 9pm with Kepler-22

Friday 17th November – Greytops, 9pm Start. 60's, 70's and 80's music

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 <u>www.whitehartcuxton.co.uk</u> 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 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, Church Hall, School and Cuxton Railway Station

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Road, Cuxton ME2 1EZ

Website: www.cuxtonpc.org.uk

Academy of Cuxton Schools

Autumn Term 2 2023

Monday 30th October – Wednesday 20th December

Inset day - Monday 30th October

Spring Term 1 2024

Wednesday 3rd January – Friday 9th February



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