

Stirchley

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ell..., this is the final issue of the Sturichley Knows and in it we celebrate Sturichley's prosperity and the role that individual, ordinary Sturichley folks have played in its fortunes. It's easy to imagine that Sturichley's growth and prosperity can be put down to the influences in the local

area of the Cadbury's and Nettlefolds of GKN. As big employers in the 20th century they bought many people to settle in the area- in turn supporting the rapid growth of TASCOS. At the same time though the small businesses that flourished here - particularly the shops and the people who ran them - created a vibrancy and purpose to the area. These were owned and run by ordinary people - often the same family operated businesses for years. Likewise the social and cultural events that took place were all lead by individuals coming together to organise and make a commitment to their local area. The close connections between those who lived here, did business here and the bigger 'corporates' meant that for many many years Sturichley has been a great place to live. The strong connections that used to exist may have been weakened over the years but now there are great opportunities to keep supporting local businesses, services and events - our 'Day in the Life' of a Sturichley family gives you some tips - and our 'Did you Know?' points to the height of the Sturichley Carnival - a truly collaborative production which has taken place at intervals over the last 100 years. Our current project will be drawing to a close in March but we will be working on plans to revive the Carnival tradition in a new form.

We hope you've enjoyed reading the Sturichley Knows - if you have missed any issues just visit www.prospectors.org.uk.

nose

of the month



Thank you to all those

who shared their noses with us

LOST PROPERTY

School for Mothers

Although this building can still be seen and is an NHS health clinic on Charlotte Road its previous life is part of Strichley's lost property. 'Stirchley & Cotteridge School for mothers' contributed to the rearing of happy healthy Stirchley citizens from 1913. It started life in a cottage in Windsor Road and then a large house on the corner of Bournville Lane and Lea House Road moving to this building paid for by the Trident Trust on land given by the Cadbury's.





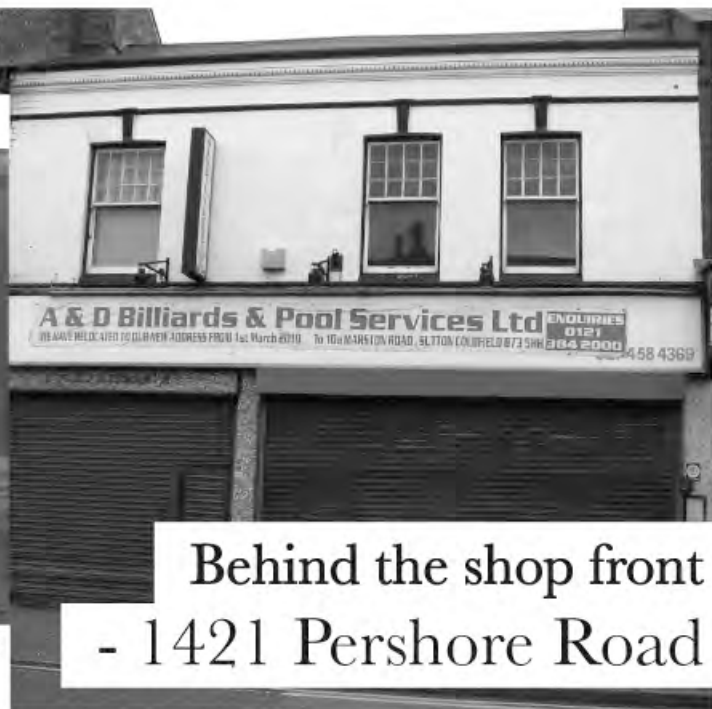
Celebrating the People of Stirchley



Previously:
Bonehills Butchers



Ada Bonehill
- 1885-1965



Behind the shop front
- 1421 Pershore Road

Colour
me in



Day in the Life - The Allan Family



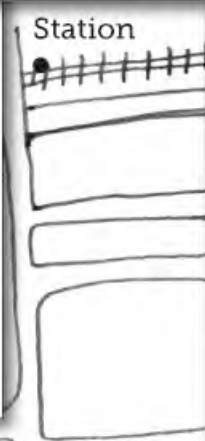
Bournville train station



Paper round



Local bike ride



Station



Paper round



The old swimming baths



At the cashpoint



Visit to Stirchley Wines

Bike ride

Paper round

Baths

Stirchley Wines

Bank

Dry cleaners

British Oak Pub

Bus stop
Balti Cottage



Getting bus to guitar lesson



Meal at Balti Cottage



At the dry cleaners



Going to the pub



At the British Oak

Did you **KNOW?**

Stirchley Carnival took place from 1936-1939 - a procession assembled at the bottom of Cartland Road and ended at the carnival ground on Bond Street/ Ribblesdale Road via Cotteridge and Maryvale Road.

Stirchley Carnival



When you have finished reading the Stirchley Knows please pass it on to someone else so they can see what we are doing - especially if they are not a Prospector.

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Hazelwell Lane as it was known
- photo from the Geoff Thompson archive

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