

CODDINGTON COMMUNITY NEWS

CCN

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EDITORIAL

Well, at last Issue No 2 of CCN hits the streets of Coddington! Very many thanks to all those who contributed to Issue No 1 which seems to have been enjoyed by those who have commented publicly. Although the Editor had a quiet time over Christmas, it was quite the opposite for Coddington Parish Council's Clerk, Mrs Allen, whose telephone line was busy receiving calls from prospective Parish Councillors (see following page).

Edition No 2 includes items from new contributors together with some from groups who didn't quite make the first edition.

To Secretaries and Organisers, please note the dead line for March/April CCN is the 21st February, so let me have your reports, diary dates and news as soon as possible, especially those groups who haven't yet appeared in print, despite previous pleas from the Editor. CCN looks forward to hearing from YOU!

CHAIRMAN'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE 1985

On behalf of Coddington Parish Council, I would first like to wish everyone a happy and successful 1985.

We are already more than half way through the first month of the year and I cannot miss this opportunity of wishing our community, with its various organisations, continued success in this and many years to come.

I would also like to congratulate all the people who give up so much time and put tremendous effort into running these organisations, especially those in their early stages; they need real determination often with little encouragement at first. One thing is certain, the more effort you put in, the more rewarding success becomes.

BERNARD ALLEN
CHAIRMAN
Coddington Parish Council

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PARISH COUNCIL JOTTINGS

PARISH RATE 1984/5

The Parish Council decided on the 22nd November 1984 to hold its rate precept at the same level as 1983/4 in the interest of economy. Its income will be £1,000 which is not a great deal of money to finance its projects for a whole year.

VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR

After taking three ballots on the 7th January 1985, Mrs J. Story of 27 Morgans Close, was narrowly elected (co-opted) by a meeting of the Parish Council to fill the casual vacancy.

Congratulations Mrs Story, CCN hopes you will enjoy making your contribution to the good of our community. CCN hopes to scoop an exclusive profile of her in its next issue.

Thanks are recorded to the three unsuccessful candidates. CCN hopes you will maintain your interest in Coddington and its Parish Council.

PARISH COUNCILLORS

- Mr. B. Allen (Chairman), Drove Cottage Farm, Drove Lane, Coddington, Newark, Notts.
 - Mrs. E. Creed, The Old Vicarage, Chapel Lane, Coddington, Newark, Notts.
 - Mr. G. Davis, Woodlands, Newark Road, Coddington, Newark, Notts.
 - Mr. D. King, 79 Beckingham Road, Coddington, Newark, Notts.
 - Mr. J. Molloson, The Gables, Main St., Coddington, Newark, Notts.
 - Mrs. J. Smith, Almond Cottage, Newark Road, Coddington, Newark, Notts.
 - Mr. T. Spray, No. 2 Bungalow, Wellgreen, Coddington, Newark, Notts.
 - Mrs. J. Storey, 27 Morgans Close, Coddington, Newark, Notts.
 - Mrs. J. Witham, 26 Old Hall Gardens, Coddington, Newark, Notts.
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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES 1985

Tuesday	26th February	
Tuesday	16th April	- Annual Parish Meeting
"	21st May	- Annual General Meeting
"	2nd July	
"	3rd September	
"	15th October	
"	26th November	

All these meetings will be in the Village Hall, Main Street at 7.30pm. They are all open to the public and you as ratepayers are cordially invited to attend. Come and see whether the Parish Council is working properly for you and your village.

CODDINGTON PLAY SURVEY

Inside this issue of CCN is a Questionnaire form asking for your views and those of your family about what play facilities are needed in Coddington for the 5 - 14 year olds. No activity can be started or continued without enthusiasm and active support from parents and friends, please indicate whether you are prepared to help with those ideas which would interest you and your children.

The Form will be collected by your Parish Councillors, so don't throw it away. The Parish Council is interested in what you have to say.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED FOR THE POST OF

PART-TIME CLERK

TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

To commence duties on 1st April, 1985.

SALARY in accordance with the N.A.L.C. current Scale for Part-Time Clerks.

Further details available from and Letter of Application to:

Mr. B. Allen,
Chairman of Coddington Parish Council,
Drove Cottage Farm,
Drove Lane, Coddington,
NEWARK, Notts. NG24 2RA

Tel: Newark 703360

CLOSING DATE for Receipt of Applications: 20th February, 1985

The work of a Parish Clerk is varied. One would ideally possess about every attribute one can think of - an ability to listen, impartiality, knowing all there is to know about the law, a knowledge of accounts, finance, typing and keeping records, out above all a sense of doing what is best for one's local community, (though I do not profess to having these qualifications!)

But to narrow it down - not an easy task - the Clerk must attend every Parish Council meeting (on average about 8 per year), preparing agenda, taking minutes, paying bills, writing letters, receiving and attending to correspondence, taking telephone calls, as well as finding room to house the Parish Council's filing cabinet, deed box, etc.

If you are interested, please don't forget that letters of application must be received by the Chairman by 20 February 1985.

S.J. Allen,
Clerk to the
Coddington Parish Council

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Further details available from, and letter of application to: Mr B. Allen, Chairman, Coddington Parish Council, Drove Cottage Farm, Drove Lane, Coddington, Newark, Notts NG24 2RA. Telephone Newark 703360.

Closing date for receipt of application February 20, 1985.

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Clerk: Mrs. S.J. Allen, Pentlands, Main St., Coddington, Newark, Notts.
NG24 2PP

20 January 1985

The Editor,
Newark Advertiser,
Appletongate,
NEWARK, Notts.

Dear Sir,

I refer to the report in last week's Newark Advertiser of a Coddington Parish Council item, headed "Estate always untidy".

The report does not accurately reflect the discussion nor the attitudes of all members of the Parish Council, particularly of Mrs. Joan Witham. It is the policy of the Council to be positive in promoting harmony throughout the community.

The Council's concern was mainly with the area around the Harvey Ave. Estate where rubbish is deposited by people often from outside the area and lies uncleared for long periods of time. It was felt that the District Council had a responsibility to help keep the area attractive and rubbish-free and that, with a skip now provided periodically by the Parish Council, the village handyman might soon be able to start the task of clearing away the debris.

Mrs. Witham, far from being critical of residents of Harvey Avenue, was seeking to explain that people sometimes do not see their environment as being of paramount importance when other factors such as unemployment, isolation and loneliness are their most immediate problems.

Unfortunately, condensed reporting often leads to misunderstanding and I should be glad if you would publish my letter and thus set the record straight.

Yours faithfully,

S.J. Allen (Mrs.),
Clerk

HARVEY AVENUE ESTATE

CCN regrets that despite several requests from the Editor there is no report from Harvey Avenue Estate in this issue.

When contacted by CCN on the 21st January, Keith Sheppard, Chairman of Harvey Avenue Tenants Association said that his Committee would not be contributing to CCN. In the near future they hope to produce their own newspaper exclusively for Harvey Avenue Estate. He said that this was an idea the Committee have had in the pipeline for the last six months.

CCN emphasises that it is designed for the benefit of ALL residents of Coddington to use and enjoy - and that includes Harvey Avenue Estate. In the eyes of CCN there are no 'outsiders' or 'insiders' in Coddington.

It is CCN's policy to keep open all lines of communication - see Coddington Parish Council's letter to the Newark Advertiser about Harvey Avenue Estate reproduced in this issue of CCN. CCN hopes that there will be a contribution from the Harvey Avenue groups appearing in the next issue.

The Editor.



Fragrance

*Flower arrangements made privately to order
for all occasions:—
for your requirements and further information
please contact:*

*Miss Elizabeth Reed
Nether Lodge, Old Newark Road,
Coddington, Newark,
Notts., NG24 2QF.
Telephone: Newark 71955*

ADVERTISEMENTS

If you live in or run a business or service in Coddington, why not advertise yourself in CCN.

CCN is delivered to every household in Coddington (circulation almost 500 copies). There are people out there who may be looking to bring their custom to you.

The fee is £1 per issue - why not give CCN a try?

For private advertisements of sales or wants the fee is 50p.

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS CODDINGTON

Vicar: The Rev'd Peter G. Wright, All Saints Vicarage (Newark 703084,

The vicar and the parochial Church Council wish everyone a Happy New Year and hope to welcome you at All Saints Church during the year.

Services are held in Church every Sunday. Holy Communion is at 9.00a.m. and Evensong and Sermon at 6.00p.m.

The Bellringers practise in the church every Friday evening at 7.30p.m. Come in and meet them, they will be pleased to see you and tell you about this traditional village activity.

We are holding a Bingo evening in the Village Hall on Thursday the 21st Feb. Come and have an enjoyable evening with us. The proceeds will be given to Coddington Village Hall Building Fund.

Paul F. Curtis
Secretary
19 Morgans Close
(Newark 707666)

CODDINGTON SUNDAY SCHOOL

The present Coddington Sunday School started in the Autumn of 1978, under the inspiration and leadership of David and Kay Longstaff, who had a concern that there was no Sunday School operating in the village at that time.

It was felt that it should be non-denominational and open to children of all age groups - from primary to teenage.

During the nearly 7 years of its existence, there have been 150 children who have attended, and the current attendance averages 30.

The children and teachers are most grateful to the Village Hall Committee for so generously allowing the use of the hall each Sunday morning.

During this period David and Kay have been supported by Jayne Evans, Jean Downs, Esme Wilbourne and Stephen Spendlove. Unfortunately, David and Kay have had to say goodbye to 3 of these helpers for domestic reasons.

The generosity of parents, has consistently met the Sunday School expenses, and has enabled contributions to be made to Underground Evangelism and Tear Fund. Since January 1984 the Sunday School has been financially supporting Chu Hung See, an 11 year old Chinese boy who attends a Christian Mission School, and without such aid as this, boys like Chu Hung See would receive no education at all.

Sunday School meets during term time each Sunday morning 10.30 - 12.00. All children are welcome.

WELLGREEN NEWS AND EVENTS

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Wellgreen House Coddington (Newark 703647)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of Coddington for the warm welcome and support they have given me since coming to Coddington.

I am hoping to continue having a Bingo session once every month. (Dates to be shown by Posters by the kind permission of Mr. Bernard Mastin at the Post Office). I will also be holding Jumble Sales, Coffee Mornings and I am open to suggestions for other activities we can hold in our centre.

We do hold Fellowship Meetings every second Monday in the month run by Mrs Selby and a Senior Citizens Club run every third Monday run by Mr Spray. We would welcome any new members, - please come along. If there are any persons who would like to come and give talks on their interests or show slides, or even sing or play the piano to us, we would be most grateful.

On December 18th we had our Christmas Party in the centre to which we invited 50 friends from Howies Court in Newark and it turned out to be a most enjoyable day. It ended on a very nice note with the Salvation Army coming to sing for us in the evening. Thank you Mary, Kath, Peggy, Doreen and Jessie for helping out on that lovely day.

Thank you the "Inn on the Green" for the delicious Christmas Dinner they put on every year for the Senior Citizens of Coddington.

On Boxing Day Mrs Mastin had a nasty fall at home and was taken to Newark General for a few days and then transferred to Hawtonville for awhile, but I am pleased to say she is now back with us. "Welcome back Maggie" Mrs Mastin at 89 is my oldest resident. Also I wish a speedy recovery to Mrs Kathleen Halewood who fell outside the Post Office and broke her arm.

If you have any 'jumble' or unwanted 'gifts' that I could use for my bingo sessions, I would be most grateful as all the funds that I make will go to taking my "friends" at Wellgreen on outings and making life as interesting and comfortable as possible.

Last but not least I would like to thank ALL at Wellgreen for making my family and myself feel at "home" with them. Thank you.

Brenda Riley
Warden

CODDINGTON PLAYGROUP

During the last three months with the aid of a Social Services grant and fund raising projects we have been able to purchase many new educational toys. Larger equipment also is in the process of being made at the Balderton Hospital workshop. Items include a workbench, phone box, garage and doll's house.

During February we intend to hold a sponsored obstacle course, and hopefully during the last week of March, an Easter Fair. Stalls will include cakes, plants, tombola and white elephant. Contributions of raffle prizes or tombola items will be gratefully received. All profits will go towards various basic items which we still require such as small chairs, a dressing up box and stand, and plastic aprons.

Judy Allwood
Playgroup Secretary

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB MEETINGS

At Wellgreen House 2.30 - 4.30p.m. Speakers to be announced shortly on Mondays, 4th and 18th February and the 4th and 18th March.

A coach trip to the Spalding Bulb Fields is to be arranged on the Tuesday after the Float Display. To reserve your seat, contact the organiser, Mr Spray at No. 2 The Green (Newark 71115).

CODDINGTON MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP

The Coddington Mother and Toddler group which is held every Tuesday from 2.00 to 3.30p.m. in the Village Hall, has been established 4 years with about 24 mothers being registered. All new mums and mums-to-be are welcome to come along.

We usually go on a trip in the summer but have not set a date for this year yet. The trip is usually to a 'Pets Corner' as this goes down well with everybody.

The Christmas Party was a success again this year with 31 children attending and with every child receiving a present from Santa.

Our local postmaster Mr Mastin was Santa again this year and the Mother and Toddler Group would like to thank him very much for the fantastic job he did.

WOMENS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

1st March 1965, All Saints Church, Coddington 2.15p.m.

Each year a different country arranges a service with readings and prayers which is then translated into different languages so that women all over the world can attend identical services on the same day.

The leader of our Coddington service will be Mrs Curtis and the address will be given by Rev. Marjory Maltby of Collingham.

CODDINGTON W.I.

Our next meeting will be on the 12th February at 7.30p.m. in the Village Hall when Mr. Edwards will speak on Domestic Pets. Visitors and new members very welcome.

Many thanks to all who supported and gave so generously at the Christmas Bingo when £135 was raised for the Village Hall Building Fund and research into motor neurone disease.

We are holding a similar event at the Village Hall on 20th March at 7.30p.m. this time with an Easter theme. Please come and join our members for Bingo and supper to raise money for the same two charities.

CODDINGTON FOOTBALL CLUB

Never having done any proper research into the history of the club, it is difficult to ascertain exactly when the first football was played in the village. However, my mother-in-law, Mrs L. Burgess, has in her possession two photographs of local footballers, one of which dates back to around 1912/13.-and she can name all the team except for the goalkeeper, as she also can on the later photo, which must obviously have been taken after the first world war. We believe, but are not certain that these teams played somewhere down Drove Lane.

I know also that there was a team in the early 1950's which played on Mr. F. Daybells' field at Balderton Lane. (Mr Daybell has always been a great help to the football club, and is the present day President of the club.)

Bernard Mastin our Chairman

The 1970/71 season was the next stage in the club's history, when I formed a team, to join the Newark Alliance Sunday afternoon section. This team enjoyed the success of winning the league in the 1971/72 season, and always gave a good account of themselves every season they played. Mr Mastin, who was the team manager throughout this period, then became the Chairman of the club, and with a committee that really got behind him with some solid support, saw the club start to "take off", as it were.

Mr Dave Duddles was appointed team manager, and he enjoyed great success taking a team through the third division, the second division, and the first division into the senior division of the Newark Alliance Sunday morning section, winning along the way:- Two League Cups and Championships, and winning the "Willie Hall Cup" after appearing in two previous finals - a great run!

But the most important thing, I think, during the present-day affairs of the club, was the decision and commitment to find a field of its own and to form a Coddington Sports and Social Association. This has been achieved, and we have a field on Stapleford Lane. We have installed a water supply, and we, at present are laying foundations for a pavillion. We have two football pitches for our two football teams, and this autumn a cricket square has been laid, for our newly-formed Coddington Cricket Club. We are on the way!

Obviously, no one person can or would even try to claim credit for getting the club this far. This has been a real team effort in every sense. We have had support from every corner of the village at some time or another and we would like to thank all those people who have supported our fund-raising events over the years.

Maurice Britten
Secretary to the Coddington Sports Association

LETTERS

27 Morgans Close, Coddington. (Newark 722/2) 2.12.64

Dear Editor,

I have today received a copy of your very first Newsletter and have found it most interesting. Indeed, we must have a No. 2. With all points of the community contributing it will become most sought after.

Maybe we could have a column of Births, Marriages, and the inevitable deaths, as there are many elderly amongst your would-be readers who don't get to know about these items until sometime afterwards.

Maybe sick visiting could find a nook in your Newsletter, and also find people kind enough to support such an idea. Maybe future CCN's might be of a little larger type, or I am afraid the bulk of your would-be readers, the retired person, who will have more time to read the contents and can become very useful participants, will put the Newsletter into the dustbin because they cannot be read.

How about a puzzle corner, recipes, or even children's bright sayings? Something for your older reader could be, 'How many words can you make out of Coddington Community News?' (with a small prize) using many hours of boredom.

Wishing you much success for our future CCN.

Yours truly,
Janet Storey.

(Well done Mrs Storey, yours was the first letter received by CCN! Many thanks, you were the recipient of a modest but fattening box of chocolates for your trouble.

What do you think of Mrs Storey's ideas? Why not write to CCN with your views and suggestions or contact her and have a chat and exchange ideas and how they could be put into practice.

Let me know if you want CCN printed in larger type - Editor)

A MESSAGE FROM MARY MASTIN'

Through CCN I would like to convey my thanks and appreciation to all my customers for the patience which they have shown when having to wait a little longer at the counter during the recent DHSS dispute.

My thanks and good wishes,

M.E. Mastin
Coddington Post Office

Moat House, Balderton Lane, Coddington, Newark, Notts. NG24 2QD

7th January, 1985

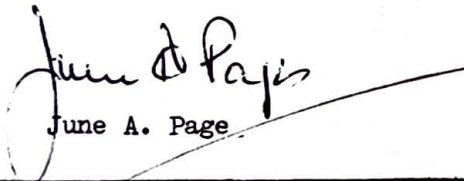
Dear Sir,

I am writing to congratulate Coddington Parish Council on their initiative and enterprise shown in the publication of the first Coddington Community News and, in particular, to Mr. Bernard Allen who, since he was elected Chairman, has become very active in all aspects of local affairs.

I would also like to express my gratitude to Mr. Allen and the Council for their very sympathetic attitude to nature conservation and for allowing a small nature reserve to be established on common land in Balderton Lane which can be used as a study site for generations of children from the village school and has improved an area which was fast becoming a local rubbish dump. A grant of £40 was made by the Notts. Rural Community Council towards the purchase of equipment to maintain the reserve and it was one of seven projects chosen from 39 as a finalist in the Nottinghamshire Village Venture Competition. With the launching of the CCN and improvements to the village hall, Coddington may well be the winner this year!

We are all privileged to be part of this rural community and the Newsletter should help to keep us in touch. I wish it every success.

Yours faithfully,


June A. Page

Hilltop, Coddington, Newark, Notts (Newark 704480)
11.1.85

Dear Editor,

I was delighted to find CCN on my doorstep. This is just what Coddington needs. Sadly, we are split up by the A17, but a communal newspaper will link us up again. By telling us what's going on, when and where in the village, we shall be able to participate more fully in village life and in activities around Coddington.

I don't know how many phone calls Maggie had about N.H.R. Mine was certainly one of them.

Being a housewife can I suggest some helpful hints for the home?

A home made polish which cleans and shines.

You need:- 1/3 pt real Turpentine, 1/3 pt Linseed Oil, 1/3 pt Vinegar with 1/4 pt Methylated Spirit. Mix all together in a bottle and apply sparingly with a duster.

Those dirty dusters will come clean if soaked in washing powder to which is added 1 T/sp Olive Oil. I wonder whether readers have other helpful hints - perhaps for the garden?

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Hine

CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

At a Dance held in the Village Hall on Monday 24th December, 1984 at which a raffle was drawn. £351.06 was raised from the two events to help with the building of the Village Hall's new amenities.

May I take this opportunity of thanking the Village and all members of the Village Hall Committee for their support.

It is hoped that we shall be able to arrange further fund raising events during the coming year, and it is also hoped that the Village will give its support to your Village Hall.

Any help or suggestions with fund raising would be welcomed.

R.S.Gray, Chairman of the Village Hall Charity Trust Committee.

MAIN PRIZES were won by :-

£50. prize - Mrs.S.Gore of Trent Way, Newark.

£25. prize - Mr.Lambert of 16, Morgans Close, Coddington.

Dinner for Two at The Inn on the Green - Mr.Singleton of Beacon Hill Road.

Radio - R.Fiddler, 13, Collis Close, Newark.

There were numerous other prize winners.

NEW LITTER BINS

By now you will have noticed the dozen yellow shining litter bins which the Parish Council have purchased and erected at strategic points around the village.

So long as we keep filling them with our litter, Newark District Council will keep emptying them for us. So lets keep Coddington tidy - use the litter bins!

CCN March/April Issue : Deadline for articles, letters and news;
21st February, send them to:-

J. Holloson

Editor CCN: The Gables, Chapel Lane, Coddington (Newark 78150)