

## END OF AN ERA



Photo courtesy Newark Advertiser

A gathering of residents and friends said "farewell" to the local postal delivery service on 17th July 1986 at the Village Hall when recognition was given to Mrs Edie Goodband and Mr Bernard Mastin for their services over many years.

Opening the proceedings Mrs Irene Elliott said that she was delighted to see those present and thanked all those who had given so generously to the collection. She was pleased that the idea had come from the younger members of the community, Miss Gill Burgess, Mrs Ruth Tysoe and Mrs Jane Norris. Mrs Elliott then introduced the Vicar Rev Peter Wright who made the presentations. He said that it was both a sad and a happy occasion.

It was sad because it marked the end of an era in the village life and eroded yet another personal service yet happy at the appreciation we were showing this evening. Villagers had been able to rely on the contact of a personal friend in Edie as "our post lady" for some 38 years. The Vicar then presented Mrs Goodband with a cheque for £160.

Of Mr Mastin, Rev Wright said that however bad the weather, however thick the snow, Mr Mastin has always got through with the mail, and then presented him with a cheque for £60. Mrs Hallam, 79 the oldest lady living in the village, then presented Mrs Goodband, Mrs Mary Mastin and Mrs Kath Arnold, relief post lady with a bouquet of flowers.

## ROYAL CELEBRATIONS

The residents of Wellgreen celebrated the Royal Wedding in style, when they held a party to mark the occasion.

First they watched the ceremony on a 26" TV, loaned to them by Granada TV Rentals, in the lounge with a buffet lunch.

In the evening a celebration dinner was held where toasts were made to the Duke and Duchess of York.

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A peal of 5040 changes of minor - the first peal of minor by a local band - (1 Extent St. Clements, 6 Extents Plain Bob) rang out from All Saints Church tower on 23rd July to celebrate the marriage of Prince Andrew and Miss Sarah Ferguson. The peal of changes lasted 2 hours 37 minutes. The ringers taking part were:- Fred Tomlinson, Treble; Ruth Tysoe 2nd; Paul F. Curtis 3rd; John Draycott 4th; John Cook 5th; and Derek J. Tysoe, Tenor. Derek Tysoe conducted the peal. Our ringers normally meet on Friday evenings at 7.30p.m.

## SUMMER FAYRE SUCCESS

All Saints Summer Fayre was held on 22nd June, and although there was a cloudy start to the day, by the time the fayre opened the sun shone to guarantee a successful and enjoyable afternoon.

Held on the green in front of the Almshouses, the various stalls attracted many customers who were entertained by Newark Town Band.

In the evening Community Hymn singing was led by the Vicar, Rev Peter Wright, with soloist, Mrs Sheila Overbury and the Sunday School children providing the entertainment.

A profit of £320 was made due to the support given by all those who helped and attended a successful and joyous Summer Fayre.



## KEEP CODDINGTON TIDY - POSTER COMPETITION

Entries came from practically every child in Coddington C of E Primary School and the standard of entries was very high making the judges decision very difficult.

Prizes for first and second place in each group were presented just before the end of term.

The winners were:- Age group 5 - 7, 1st Beth Lamburn 2nd John Hardy  
Age group 7 - 9, 1st Tracey Bakin, 2nd Sarah Turner, Ages 9 - 11  
1st Sarah Litchfield, 2nd Wendy Skinner.



# Editorial

## TIMES THEY ARE A'CHANGING

I suppose it all started with Dr Beeching's axe. At a stroke branch railway lines disappeared and rural communities suffered. Everybody was expected to travel by an 'improved' bus service, but come October this year and the deregulation of bus services, it seems likely that rural bus services will suffer.

Closer to home we have, as reported elsewhere, lost another local asset, the village postal delivery service with its friendly postman/woman with their local knowledge who knew us individually as neighbour and friend. And other villages seem likely to follow suit.

Large villages also used to have their own village bobby - Coddington was no exception - the police house is just another residence now. Many have lost their school, village shop and pub, but here we are still lucky.

However, another threat lurks near. A developer is seeking to demolish the Beacon Hill Service Station and garage by the A1 and A17 and build 39 houses instead. Another local amenity under threat.

Thus rural amenities are becoming depleted - and strangely enough at a time when the large urban communities such as Mersyside, Greater London, Tyne and Wear, Greater Manchester, West and South Yorkshire are experiencing a decline in urban population.

Where are they going? Evidence suggests that those leaving are seeking a new life in the Shire Counties; in rural areas where there are no longer adequate shops, schools or transport services to serve the needs of the rural population.

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## NEW EDITOR

Alan Waddington has taken over the editorship of the Coddington Community News and can be contacted at the address given on the back page.

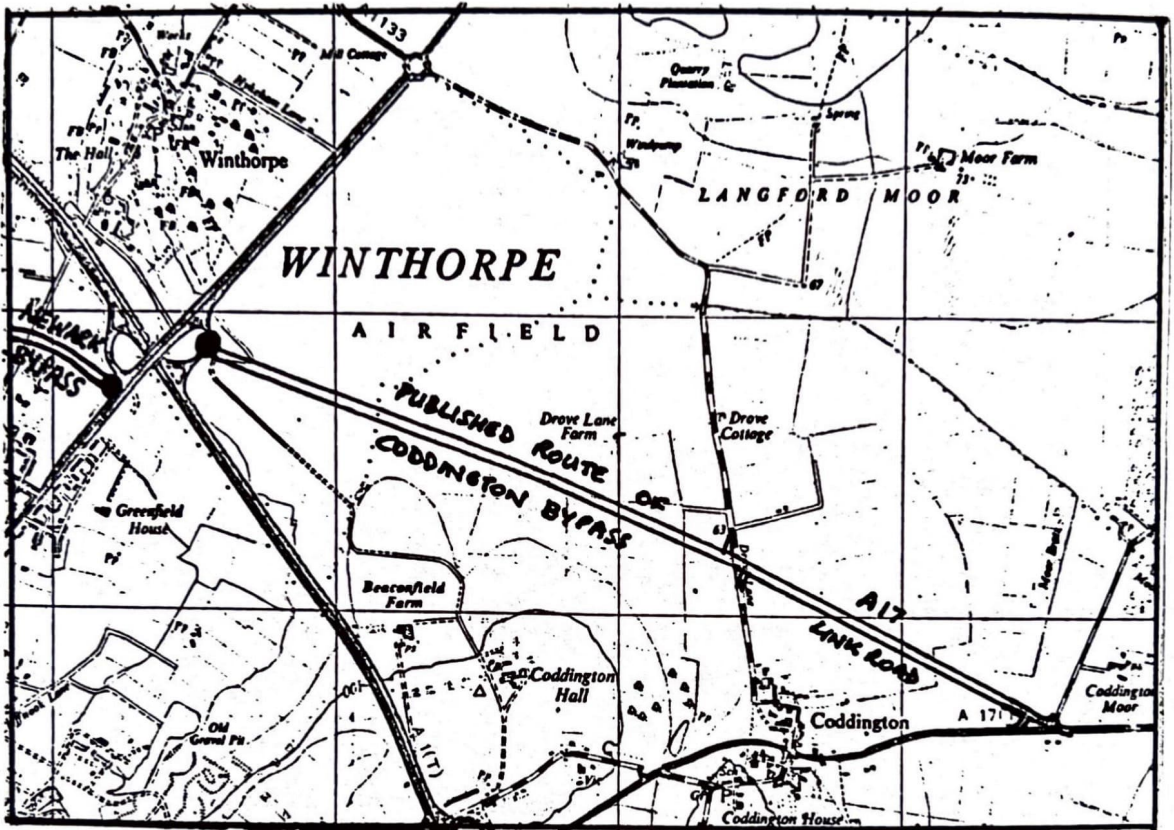
As the Editor of the community magazine, now in its second year, I cannot let this issue go to press without thanking on behalf of the village, Mr Jo Molloson, the founding editor, for all the hard work and effort he put in to launch CCN and maintain its content over that period.

I look forward to the continued support of all past contributors to CCN as well as new ones during my own term of Editor.

## WELCOME

We welcome Mr Richard Gray to the Parish Council at the recent by-election held at the end of June. The by election was caused by the resignation of Mr David King.

Parish Council Clerk, Mrs Ruth Tysoe said that only 131 out of 880 electors turned out and this was disappointing. Mr Gray polled 60 votes Mrs Karen Marsh 49 and Mr Alan Waddington 22.



### A17 LINK ROAD - CODDINGTON BYPASS

The Secretary of State for Transport will shortly publish revised proposals for side roads affected by the line of the A17 link road.

They include variation to footpath 4A, and access to the houses Gilwern and Peacehaven near Stapleford Lane to be via Folly Farm Lane. New signs at Stapleford Lane will direct Newark bound traffic to use the link road.

The line of the A17 link would also be amended within the area of South Airfield Farm, and an overbridge would be constructed to join the two areas of farmland divided by the new road. There would also be gated accesses to both Hall and Manor Dairy Farms on either side of the A17 link road.

Consultation would take place with the owners and other interested parties with regard to the schemes outlined above. Work on the A46 (Newark Relief Road) is expected to start towards the end of next year.



## VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall Committee are in the process of arranging to renew the sheeting on the roof of the kitchen and toilet section of the Hall and hope to have this completed during the Summer Holiday period.

The Committee would like to thank everyone who has attended the Bingo sessions in aid of the Village Hall Fund Raising which has helped towards the cost of the roof.

The next Bingo session is on Thursday 18th September at the Village Hall commencing at 7.30p.m.

## ISLAND HOLIDAY

A number of Coddington's residents will be going on holiday to the Isle of Wight at the end of August.

Mrs Brenda Riley, warden of Wellgreen, organised the holiday with Wrights coaches of Newark.

The holiday makers will spend a week at the Sea View Hotel, Shanklin.

## NO TO NIREX

At a meeting in Grantham (29th May) organised by LAND, Fred Jones (Billingham Against Nuclear Dumping), Frank Cook (W.P. Stockton) and Tony Webb (Director of the Independent Radiation and Health Information Service) the message was unequivocal - "There is NO safe level of Radiation".

Mr Cook warned local people that there is a simple way to allow NIREX to succeed. "It will happen for them if you simply do nothing".

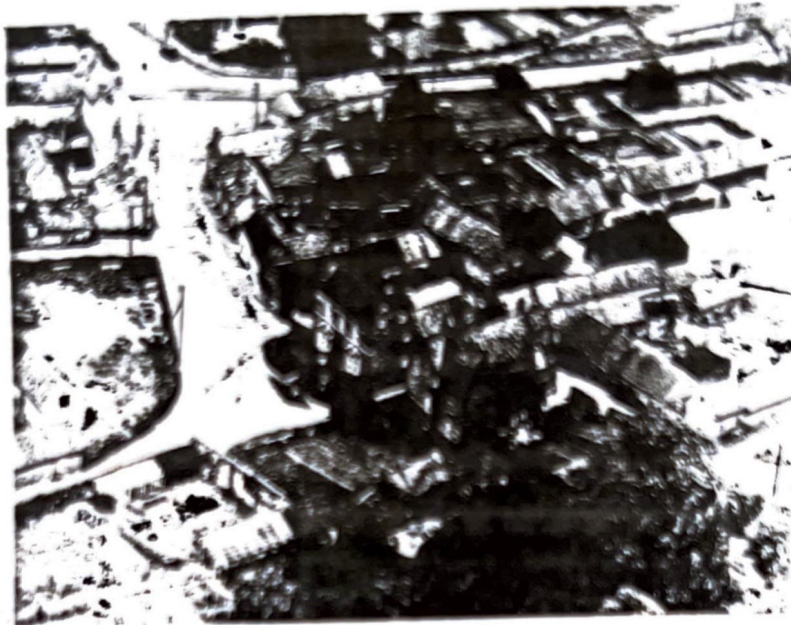
Congratulations to Miss Chrystine Allen, daughter of Mr and Mrs B.A. Allen of Drove Cottage Farm who has recently gained a BA Honours Degree in Fine Art at West Surrey College of Art.

## TRIED AND TESTED

The value of neighbourhood watch schemes and police liaison committees has been questioned by Nottinghamshire Chief Constable in his annual report. Mr Charles McLachlan says such schemes can make heavy demands on scarce resources and he is doubtful of their value.

Since these activities involve great demands on senior officers time, perhaps there is a case for reintroducing the village constable who knew the area and its people thus carrying out the function of local liaison with the neighbourhood which seems to be what neighbourhood watch schemes and liaison committees are all about!

# Memories



We hope the above photograph will evoke some memories from our older citizens - it shows a corner of Coddington that has clearly seen some changes.

The Editor would be delighted to receive from residents any information or stories about Coddington in the 'good old days' when clearly cars were a rarity.

## NOTICE

### ALLOTMENT LAND, MORGANS CLOSE, CODDINGTON.

There is a possibility of further allotments becoming available within the near future in Coddington.

Please contact Mrs R Tysoe (Clerk to the Parish Council) "Little Surprise", Main St, Coddington. Newark 79665 before 31 August 1986, for further details, if you are interested in renting an allotment in Coddington.





## CIVIL WARS

You may have seen from a recent Midweek Advertiser that plans for a Civil War Festival have been put back from 1987, which incidentally is the anniversary of the Battle of East Stoke to 1988.

Coddington played a small part in the siege of Newark in 1644, for Prince Rupert, at the head of some 6500 troops, marched to outflank Sir John Meldrum with 7000 men, who was laying siege to the town. Rupert occupied Beacon Hill with part of his troops whilst the remainder marched past Coddington windmill and to the east of what is now Nicholson's Lake to circle around to support Newark from the North East.

The Battle of East Stoke anniversary in June next year marks the final battle in another civil war - The war of the Roses. Although the Battle of Bosworth saw the defeat of Richard III, the Battle of East Stoke established Henry VIII as the King of England.

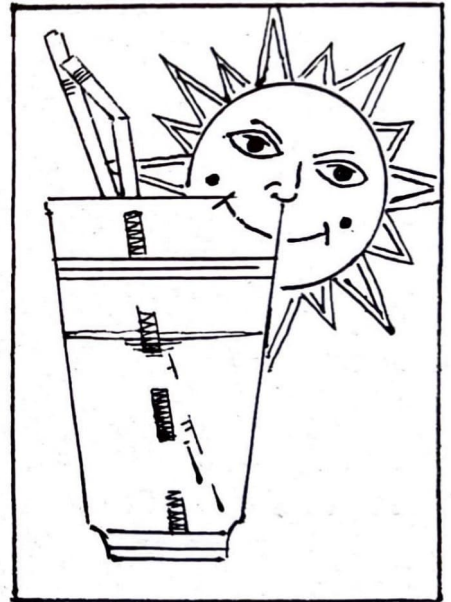


## FRUIT SQUASH

Contains no additives, colourings etc.

2 Large oranges  
2lb Sugar  
2 pints boiling water  
1oz citric acid.

Liquidise the fruit and sugar through a sieve.  
Pour over the water and add citric acid. Leave to cool. Pour into bottles and dilute to taste. Drink and enjoy. Can be made with grapefruits and lemons or a mixture.



## ADVERTISEMENTS

If you live in or run a business or service in Coddington why not advertise in the Community News. CCN is delivered to every household in Coddington (some 500 copies). The charge is £1. per advert per issue. For personal advertisements of sales or wants the charge is 50p.

## 1st Coddington Brownies - Interest Badges

Our congratulations go to all the Brownies listed below who have worked hard to gain their interest badges:-

Kristy Fellows- Hostess Badge	5/3/86	Louise Smithson-Hostess	25/6/86
Clare Green - Hostess Badge	5/3/86	Caroline Beck - Hostess	25/6/86
Anna Lane - Hostess Badge	5/3/86	Louise Clarke - Hostess	25/6/86
Dawn Bache - Hostess Badge	5/3/86		
Gail Pascoe - Hostess badge	5/3/86		
Jodie Smith - Hostess badge	5/3/86		
Aimee Simpson - Hostess badge	5/3/86	Jody Smith - First Aider	30/6/86
Hazel Robinson- Hostess Badge	5/3/86	Hazel Robinson- First Aider	30/6/86
Gail Pascoe - Animal Lover	3/6/86	Jodie Smith - Toymaker	8/7/86
Gail Pascoe - First Aider	11/6/86	Dawn Bache - Swimmers	11/7/86
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Becky Rees - First Aider	11/6/86	Lucy Norris - Hostess	16/7/86
Aimee Simpson - First Aider	11/6/86		
Emma Gibson - Hostess	25/6/86		
Lavinia Jones - Hostess	25/6/86		
Clare Swinney - Hostess	25/6/86		
Victoria Kinder-Hostess	25/6/86		
Sarah Curtis - Hostess	25/6/86		

### Brownies who have now left:-

Emma Speed - Hostess	5/3/86
Sarah Turner- Hostess	5/3/86
Julia Parratt- Needleworker	12/3/86
Jenny Wood - First Aider	11/6/86



### COMPETITION SUCCESS

Brown Owl would like to congratulate all the Brownies, but in particular the six who recently won the Brownies Shield Competition and brought the shield back to Coddington.

The six Brownies who went to the competition were Emma Ward, Gail Pascoe, Clare Green, Sarah Curtis, Louise Smithson and Jodie Smith.

They had to undertake a series of activities covering the eight point programme and one major challenge to win the shield.

Information on the Brownies Pack can be obtained from Dawn Curtis,  
18 Morgans Close (707666)



ALL SAINTS CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Our Sunday School has now closed for the summer and re-opens on Sunday 7 September.

On Sunday 13 July a Prize Giving Service was held in church. The prizes were presented by Mrs Dorothy Gray to children who have regularly attended Sunday School over the last year.

Thanks are due to all the teachers and helpers who work so hard to prepare lessons and activities to keep the childrens interest, and also to Mrs G Cotten who comes to play the organ for us.

All children from 3yrs-10yrs are welcome to join in September. For further details contact Mrs R Tysoe.



CODDINGTON PLAYGROUP - VILLAGE HALL, CODDINGTON.

Do you have a child who is over 3 years old and would you like him/her to attend Playgroup? Sessions are on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9.15 to 11.45. Subscriptions 80p. per session.

Or if you have a child who is 4 years old then you may be interested in our RISING 5 GROUP. Session Friday mornings 9.30 to 11.30 subscriptions 80p. per session.

For further information please contact.

- Mrs. Bakin - Newark 700415
- Mrs. Lyne - Newark 703148
- Mrs. Appleby - Fenton Claypole 312.



CODDINGTON MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP.

The Committee would like to invite any mothers with young children, newborn to 3yrs old to join our friendly group when it re-opens on Tuesday 2 September.

We meet in the Village Hall from 2 p.m. - 3.30 p.m., Cost 50p. Come & join in the fun!



DEADLINE

for October/November issue  
of CCN: Monday 15th September,



BEACONFIELDS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

SUMMER FAYRE

on Saturday 30th August

PROGRAMME

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|---------------------|---|
| 10am - 12           | Car Boot Sale   |
| 12.30               | Official opening by<br>the Mayor of Newark  |
| 12.30 - 4.30        | Summer Fayre with a<br>variety of stalls,<br>Tombola, Tug of War<br>Match etc. on the<br>Playing Field. Light<br>refreshments available |
| 7.00p.m. -<br>11.00 | Disco with Bar, Bingo<br>and Raffle.  |

HAVE A DAY OUT

Further details from Mrs Stephanie  
Checkley, 21 Harvey Ave or Mrs Mary  
Wright 24 Harvey Avenue.

WGLENS INSTITUTE PROGRAMME

There will be a days outing to Wedgewood Crystal and African Violet  
Centre, Kings Lynn on Thursday 28th August.

Regular meetings are held on Tuesdays at the Village Hall commencing  
at 7.30p.m. as follows:-








- 9th Sept - Creative Embroidery - Mrs Susan Martin
- 14th Oct - My life as a Parsons Wife - Mrs V. Woodhams.
- 11th Nov - My Holiday in Rhodes - Miss P. Branston
- 9th Dec - Christmas Entertainment.

New members and visitors are always welcome.

Are you missing from our "WHAT'S ON AND WHERE" diary?  
If details of your groups activities are not listed  
then please contact the Editor at 5 Parklands Close,  
or telephone him (Monday to Friday at 0949 20771  
ex 441).





	Time	Activity	Location
	p.m.	7.15 - 9.15 Swing into Shape †	C of E Primary School
		(Note Events marked † start in week commencing 15th Sept. Enrolment at first class at location. For further information telephone Newark 705291 early Sept)	
	am.	9.15 - 11.45 Playgroup* (3-5) see notes	Village Hall
	pm.	1.00 - 3.00 Mother & Toddler Group	Beaconfield C. Centre
		2.00 - 3.30 Mother & Toddler Group (Term time only)	Village Hall
		7.00 - 8.30 Keep Fit †	Beaconfields C. Centre
		7.30 W.I. (See programme)	Village Hall
		Alternate Wednesdays - Mobile Library Service Various locations in village (703966 for details)	
	pm.	6.30 - 7.15 Beavers (6 - 7)	Scouts H.Q.
		6.30 - 7.30 Brownies (1st Coddington) (7.- 10)	Village Hall
		7.15 - 9.00 Scouts (1st Coddington)(11 †)	Scouts H.Q.
	am.	9.15 - 11.45 Playgroup*	Village Hall
	pm.	2.00 - 4.00 Mixed Crafts for the Retired †	Wellgreen
		6.30 - 9.00 Youth Club (8 - 16)	Beaconfields C. Centre
	am.	9.30 - 11.30 Rising 5 Group*	Village Hall
	pm.	6.30 - 8.00 Cubs (1st Coddington)	Scouts H.Q.
		7.30 Bellringers Practise	All Saints Church
	pm.	Coddington Sports Assoc. Football	Stapleford Lane
		2.00 - 5.00 Assorted Sports for children	Beaconfield Recreation Ground, Harvey Ave.
	am.	9.00 Holy Communion	All Saints Church
	pm.	6.00 Evensong	All Saints Church
		7.00 Prize Bingo	Beaconfields C. Centre
		* for further details and contacts see inside	

FOR NEW RESIDENTS

First of all, welcome to our village. There are two shops in Coddington the Village Post Office, and stores in Main Street opposite the Inn on the Green, and Coddington Stores located in Old Newark Road near Harvey Avenue.

Coddington is served by bus route 406 to and from Newark (hourly service) Main stops are by the Plough Inn, the Primary School and by Coddington Stores.

District Council, Gas and Electricity offices are located in Newark.



AUGUST 4th FOR 4 WEEKS

CODDINGTON'S SUMMER PLAYScheme

12.30 to 3.30pm.

MEETS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE HARVEY AVENUE

Ages 5 to 16

Outdoor and Indoor Activities

including plays, discos, arts & crafts etc.

all outdoor games plus inflatables

FREE OUTINGS

Pop, crisps and sweets on sale

Adult volunteer helpers are very welcome

Do come and have an enjoyable afternoon

POLICY

Coddington Community News is for ALL residents of Coddington and is designed to keep ALL residents informed of events and activities and to help people keep in touch with the many organisations that comprise village life.

CCN needs you, your letters, comments and articles.



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