



# Community News March 2008

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## **CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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## **CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MEETINGS DATES FOR 2008**

#### **DATE:**

Thursday, 6 March

Thursday, 3 April

Thursday 24 April (Annual Parish Meeting)

Thursday 1 May (Annual General Meeting)

#### **VENUE:**

Coddington Community Centre

Coddington Community Centre

Coddington Village Hall

Coddington Community Centre

Please note all meetings to commence at 7.30 pm unless otherwise stated.

### **CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

If you would like to book the Village Hall for any event or would like any further details.

Please contact: Clerk Mrs P Hemphill

2 Randall Close, Newark, NG24 2LF or Tel: 01636 686317

Dear Readers

If you have just moved into the village and are reading our

COMMUNITY NEWS for the first time

WELCOME TO CODDINGTON

This newsletter is sponsored by

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL and is circulated to every household in the village (at present approximately 800 copies are printed). If you are running any activities in Coddington I would welcome any contributions. Adverts of a local nature can be taken at a small charge. I can be contacted on 01636 671424 or by email frankelliott1@hotmail.com

You can also send your contributions to

Frank Elliott, Rest and be Thankful,

Parklands Close,

Coddington,

NG24 2RE

### **Chairman's Report**

First of all I would like to thank Councilor David Hedge and Councilor Bernard Allen for their hard work in organizing the relocation to the new permanent site of this years Christmas tree, and also to members of the Community Centre for organizing the entertainment on the night

Anyone driving to along Balderton Lane will not have failed to notice the improvement to the visibility when passing Pages Wood now that the Parish Council has had the hedge laid. You will also note that the hedge in front of the Community Centre has also been laid to give better visibility from the road to improve security

A meeting of the Safer Neighbourhood Group was held recently and was well attended. I understand that this resulted in a few volunteers coming forward and a report will be given at the next meeting in a few weeks time You will notice that we are now getting a regular contribution from our Community Beat Officers together with contact telephone numbers. Now that we have these contacts it would make sense to try and contact one of these numbers direct to try and speed up the response if they are on duty If you get the answer phone you can leave a message and then ring the normal police number or 999 if it is urgent

**Frank Elliott (Chairman,Coddington Parish Council)**

## **COMMUNITY POLICING**

There has been a spate of sneak in burglaries in the Coddington Newark and Balderston Area where people have left their doors insecure whilst in another room. Handbags containing Credit Cards, Cash, Mobile Phones, Car Keys and other valuables have been taken within a matter of seconds. I would like to remind everyone to be vigilant and keep his or her doors and windows including Garage Doors locked even when in the house. Apparently one in three of us don't lock our doors when we are at home, making ourselves easy targets for these Criminals. Many of you are also getting lots of doorstep callers to your properties. Here's a guide on how to deal with them: -

### **Doorstep callers**

Sales people who call at your home may seem friendly and genuine. They may use high-pressure sales techniques by telling you scare-stories, or offering you a special discount or "free gift". They only want one thing and that is to sell you something so they can make money. You do not have to buy and you will probably get a better deal by shopping around and buying from a reputable business.

### **Casual Workmen**

Another type of caller you may get is the odd-jobber who is in the area. Sometimes they will tell you they have spotted a problem with your roof or chimney. Others say that they have had some paving slabs or tarmac left over from another job. All of them promise a bargain. These bargains almost always cost more than they are worth. Trading Standards get many complaints about poor workmanship or even no work being done at all.

These traders can put on a lot of pressure to pay up, and have even driven people to the bank to withdraw hundreds of pounds in cash. Sometimes they claim to find other "problems" so they keep increasing the cost until it runs into thousands of pounds. The traders usually prove impossible to trace when you want to get a refund or complain about shoddy work. Many only give you a mobile number, or the address they give does not exist.

Doorstep callers What should you do?

- Use a door viewer or window to see whom your caller is.
- Put your chain or bar on before you open the door.
- Check the identity of the caller.

Do not let the caller into your house until you have verified the caller's ID. Do not rely on the number they give you, as it may not be genuine. Do this by ringing his/her employer using the telephone number listed in the phone book.

**ANY DOUBT? – KEEP THEM OUT!**

### **THINGS TO REMEMBER**

- Don't be taken in by high-pressure selling.
- Don't agree to any work where the caller says that they are in the area to day.
- Don't agree to anyone carrying out work in your house until you have got a second opinion as to whether the work is required.
- Don't accept any offer to drive you to a bank to withdraw money

- Read any agreements thoroughly before signing. If in doubt don't sign! Seek advice.
- If they say they will call back ask a relative or friend to be with you.
- Consider paying by credit card for goods or services costing more than £100. The credit card company will give you some additional protection.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

PC 2548 Deborah Bakin. Newark Police Station. 01636 605999, ext 7616.

Work mobile is 07776 460 407.

E-mail: [deborah.bakin@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:deborah.bakin@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk)

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Work mobile is 07516 148 103.

E-mail: [michael.munro@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:michael.munro@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk)

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Please do not report incidents on the above, these systems are for message

Remember: call Crimestoppers FREE on 0800 555 111

**Finally I would like to thank the Local Members of the Coddington Neighbourhood Watch whose swift actions in November 2007 helped the Local Police stop a Vehicle and it's Occupants, which had been seen in Suspicious Circumstances in and around the Coddington Area.**



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**WELLGREEN COMMUNITY CLUB**

Wellgreen closed the year with a lunch at the Musicians Arms at Doddington on October 29<sup>th</sup> followed by Christmas lunch at the Plough at Caunton, enjoying both very much. This made a total of seven lunches out in 2007.

The school turned up trumps again with their carols on December 17<sup>th</sup>, the head and teachers worked very hard to attain such excellence.

The year 2008 started off very well with a tea for members plus bingo and a big raffle. All prizes were donated which raised £177.50. This money is to pay for a gardener and plants at the rear of wellgreen as the message we always get is that the council have run out of money, so we do try to help ourselves

**Isabel Allen. (Social Secretary).**

## **ALL SAINTS' CHURCH CODDINGTON**

As this is the first Coddington Community News of the New Year, Coddington Church would like to wish every one of you a Very Happy and Peaceful 2008

### **MORNING PRAYER EVERY MONDAY (except bank holidays)**

at 9.00 AM.

This is a regular service each week led by a member of the Newark Team. This is a short service which lasts approximately 15 minutes and everyone is welcome.

*Never doubt in the dark, what God told  
you in the light*

*(V. Raymond Edman)*

### **PASTORAL CARE TEAM**

In past issues we have published a list of names of people on the Pastoral Care Team. If you need or wish to talk with someone from the church, please contact one of the following:

Church Wardens

Sheila Bache            01636 674741

Hugh Daybell           01636 702197

Reader

Mike Bache             01636 674741

### **PARISH SURGERY**

The Coddington Parish Surgery is held in church between 7.30pm and 8.30 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month. All enquiries with regard to Weddings and Baptisms should, in the first instance, be addressed to the Parish Surgery at Coddington where a

member of Coddington church will be in attendance. The Rev'd Tony Tucker (Area Dean) can still be contacted at Balderton Vicarage for other matters and the telephone number is 01636 704811.

### **HOME COMMUNION**

The church is now providing Home Communion visits on the first Sunday of each month. Our church Communion will end about 11.30am and the intention is to deliver Home Communion directly after this service. Home Communion is intended for anyone who is house bound or through ill health or disability cannot get to church for their Communion.

In order to consecrate the elements needed, you are requested to get in touch with Mike Bache at least one week before the first Sunday of the month. Mike can be contacted on 01636 674741.

### **WORSHIP TIME AT WELL GREEN**

A fellowship & worship half hour is held on the first Monday of each month at Well Green community centre at approx. 10.30am. Everyone is welcome.

### **CHRISTMAS FAYRE 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

It seems a long time ago now since our Annual Christmas Fair but it was an afternoon to remember and a great success, both financially and socially. It was wonderful that so many friends of Coddington church came to support this event and we would like to say a very big thank you to everyone who came, to those who donated gifts, to those who manned the stalls and everyone who helped to raise the wonderful amount of £1,030.00.

### **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

Our Children's Carol Service was held on 9<sup>th</sup> December and it was lovely to welcome so many children & parents to join us in this Christmas celebration.

It was also so good to see so many people attend our Christmas Melody of Carols, Readings & Christmas celebration.



The PCC decided that the retiring collection this year should be donated to the Newark Emmaus Trust and through the generosity of the congregation; we managed to raise £56.10. Thank you everyone who gave to this very worthy cause.

Also, this Christmas, for the first time, it was suggested that instead of writing dozens of Christmas Cards to friends within our church family, that one card be written and placed on the notice board in church. The money which would have been spent could then be placed in a collection box (optional) and the proceeds would be given to a charity of our choice. For Christmas 2007, our chosen charity was the Newark Hospital League of Friends, and we raised £25 through this initiative. We hope to be able to repeat this idea in following years and different local charities will be chosen.

### **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE & THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY**

Our Christingle service was held on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2008 and was something everyone looked forward to after the Christmas festivities were over. This year was again a magical service when the children sang in a church lit only by the Christingle candles. If you missed this year's service, do come & join us for the next Christingle which this year, will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> December.

Peggy Harwood is our Children's Society Representative at Coddington and because of her hard work, dedication and enthusiasm the amount of £1,133 was raised last year for the Society. This wonderful amount was raised by doorstep collection, from collection boxes, from the children's collecting candles and from the Christingle service in January 2007. The collection from this year's service and children's collecting candles was £104 and so far this year, Peggy has already raised £164. Thank you very much indeed Peggy and well done!

## **THE CHURCH YARD**

We have been asked on several occasions about who is responsible for the maintenance of graves and headstones. It is the actually the responsibility of the family to maintain the headstones, keep them safe and keep the grave/area tidy. Regulations issued by the Diocese are quite strict in terms of safety, and therefore it affects what is allowed, and what can and can't be done. May we suggest that if you are not sure what is allowed, you contact one of the church wardens, who will gladly advise you.

We are in urgent need of volunteers to help keep our churchyard tidy. The main grass & trees are being attended to, but the grass is cut on a part-time basis so extra help would really be appreciated. Also, any offers of help to tidy round the grave-stones, under the trees and down the path sides would be much appreciated. Any offers of help? If so, please contact Sheila Bache on 01636 674741

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The church AGM will be held towards the end of March (please see the church notice boards for confirmation of the date). Everyone is welcome to attend this public meeting. Participation and voting are restricted to lay persons whose names appear on the Electoral Roll of All Saints' church, Coddington.

## **NEWARK TEAM MINISTRY PROPOSAL**

Following initial discussions, it is proposed that All Saints' Church, Coddington, will become part of the Newark Team Ministry in 2009. It will become the fourth church in the Team – in addition to Christ Church, St Leonard's and St Mary Magdalene. It is hoped that the legal process called the Pastoral Scheme, which facilitates this aim, will be completed by the end of this year. Following the retirement of the Revd Pauline Hutchinson of St Leonard's in January 2009, a new post for a Team Vicar will be

advertised, and this priest will have pastoral responsibility for both St Leonard's and All Saints' Coddington.

Coddington church will continue to operate as we always have done with our own District Church Council and we will remain responsible for our own finances.

Please pray for the four churches involved, the people we seek to serve and for the process of welcome and integration".

### **DATES FOR DIARIES to JUNE 08**

8 <sup>TH</sup> March	Jumble Sale	1.00pm to 3pm
17 <sup>th</sup> May	The church will be open from 10.30am to 3.00pm for coffee and teas. This is to coincide with the Coddington History Group open day.	

### **CALENDAR OF CHURCH SERVICES**

#### **March 08**

Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Holy Communion	10.30am
	Mothering Sunday Service	4.00pm
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	Evensong	6.00pm
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion for Palm Sunday	6.00pm
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	Night Prayer	7.30pm
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	Night Prayer	7.30pm
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	Night Prayer	7.30pm
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday	7.30pm
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	Good Friday Service of Meditation	7.30pm
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Holy Communion for Easter Sunday	10.30am
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	TBA	

Morning Prayer every Monday at 9.00am

#### **April 08**

Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion	10.30am
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	Evensong	6.00pm
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion	6.00pm
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	Deanery Service at St Marys Newark	6.00pm

Morning Prayer every Monday at 9.00am

## **May 08**

Thu 1st	Holy Communion for Ascension Day	7.30 pm-
Sun 4th	Holy Communion	10.30am
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion for Pentecost	6.00pm
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion	6.00pm
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	Evensong	6.00pm

Morning Prayer every Monday at 9.00am

### **1ST CODDINGTON RAINBOWS**

Rainbows are pleased to announce that their leader Dawn has had her baby - a little boy called Zachary. He called to say hello to Rainbows last week. Picture the scene - he sat on Mum's knee looking at the Rainbows - the Rainbows sat on the floor looking at Zach. There was quiet all around. What did they make of each other? Will he be a future Beaver? Dawn is on maternity leave but would like to say a really big thank you to all the mums and Rainbows for their good wishes. We hope Dawn will be back soon.

Julie and I would, in the meantime, like to thank Rainbow mums who have been able to help each week during Dawn's maternity leave.

We have been celebrating the Chinese New Year on 7th February, by making cards, place mats, lanterns and even sampled Chinese food. Seaweed was on the menu - do you think they liked it?

Another celebration is Thinking Day, which is 22nd February, when the Guiding movement celebrates the birthdays of our founders Lord and Lady Baden Powell. They will be joining the rest of the Newark Division of Girlguiding at a special service at Christ Church on the 24th February.

We are also busy preparing our song for the service on Mothering Sunday to be held at All Saints' Church Coddington at 4.00 pm on 2nd March.

Sheila Bache  
Rainbow Guider

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## **Coddington Film Group – Films Coming soon to your village**

We're one year old this month March, and we've been very encouraged by the audience numbers and the positive comments made by many of the people who've been to our village cinema over the last 12 months. Thanks for supporting this venture, which was started at least in part to support the Village Hall.

Some people have asked where the money goes. Well the equipment, which was bought by Notts County Council, is effectively free to borrow. However we have to pay Public Performance (copyright) fees, which are in fact very reasonable, so every film we show costs a minimum of £75, plus 50% of the takings above that figure. So if we take less than £75 we make a loss, if we take more we make a small profit. We need to do the latter more often than the former. The raffle goes directly to the Village Hall.

By the time you read this we should have in place the new curtains and blackout blinds obtained with a grant from the Lincolnshire Co-op.

The 2008 season continues to June with

27 March – Girl With a Pearl Earring (PG13)

24 April – Atonement (15)

22 May - The Englishman Who Went Up A Hill But Came Down A Mountain (PG)

26 June – Starter for 10 (12A)

All showings are at Coddington Village Hall, next to the Church. Tickets will be on sale at the door or you can guarantee a place by buying in advance - see local posters for details of who to phone within the village, or phone Ian Gerrard, Secretary on 01522 721500. £3.50, concessions £2.50 .

Full details of upcoming films, dates and late changes to the programme can also be found on our website - [www.coddingtonfilmgroup.info](http://www.coddingtonfilmgroup.info)

## 1st CODDINGTON GUIDES

Last year the girls took part in many different activities including making pumpkin lanterns at Halloween and having a fancy dress party, to going bowling and making it a promise night for some of our new starters. We also joined 1<sup>st</sup> Coddington Brownies for a joint Christmas Party which was enjoyed by all – thank you 1<sup>st</sup> Coddington Brownies for the invite! This year we have a new Assistant Guider, Vicky, who has come from Cherry Willingham Senior Section to help myself and Gemma to run the unit - welcome to you.

So far this year we have already had a pyjama party, a games night and just recently some older 1<sup>st</sup> Coddington Brownies visited our unit to see if they would like to become guides when they turn 10 – We hope you girls enjoyed yourselves & we look forward to seeing you again soon!! We are currently doing activities surrounding Africa as this year Thinking Day is linked to this country, after this it will be more badges (the chocolate one springs to mind!!), Go For Its, games and outings for the girls to enjoy.

We still have plenty of spaces for girls aged 10 - 16 so if you wish to join us, please ring (Newark 676820) or call in on Wednesday nights 7:30pm till 9:00pm.

Thanks to all that have been supporting the unit so far...

Jodie (Unit Leader), Gemma & Vicky



### Waltz, Quickstep, Cha Cha Cha



#### Learn to dance with Derek

Ballroom and Latin American Dancing for absolute beginners in Coddington Village Hall from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Dancing is fun, friendly, and provides moderate physical exercise, combined with gentle mental exercise (you do have think what you are doing) so come along and have a go, only £3 for 1 hour.

For more details, or to book your place on the course

**phone 01636-679665**

## PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE BOARDS

The Parish council provide notice boards at the following locations

**Corner Newark Rd/Lancaster Rd**

**The Village Hall**

**Well Green**

If you want to advertise an event in the village please contact The Parish Clerk

**CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL EMERGENCY  
PLAN**

If needed, and we hope it never will be, Coddington Parish Council does have an Emergency Plan but it needs updating

Over the last few years we've lost the Harvey Avenue Estate and gained Beaconfield and Thorpe Oaks Estates plus other small developments and many new residents.

Our Emergency Plan highlights local potential hazards that could occur, people at risk, meeting points, key holders, resources, voluntary groups. It also highlights skilled people i.e. Nurses/1st Aiders, Builders, Plumbers, Joiners, Cooks and Cooking equipment etc.

If you have any of these skills that could be utilised in an emergency the Parish Council would like your cooperation, do you have a large vehicle, could you help in any way. If you feel you you could and wouldn't mind giving the Parish Council your details, we would be very grateful

The Parish Clerk would hold the details to enable the Parish Council to co-ordinate any emergency if required

If you can help, would you please complete the attached form

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# Connect

The Newsletter of the Coddington Community Centre



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## Chairperson's Desk

May I first introduce myself, I am Alison Stubbs, the Chairperson of the Coddington Community Association, who run the centre. This is the first issue of 'Connect' our community newsletter. It is our way of connecting with the local community and we hope it will enable you to connect with us and with each other. The Newsletter will be issued four times a year, March, June, September and December in line with the events that we have planned throughout the year. The first of these will be the Easter event on Saturday 15th March 1pm-4pm for the whole community and I look forward to seeing you there. Thank you to all those who attended the 'Carols around the Tree' in December and enjoyed dancing to the Denny Goodwin Band.

Towards the end of last year, the association received £5,000 from MHI who had won the money to spend on a local; charity project and they chose our bid to build a bridge between the Community Centre and the school. The purpose of this is to enable the school children to access the building without having to walk along the road. In addition to this kind of offer, MHI have also offered their expertise in managing the project and they have also talked to Cauntons Engineering who have offered their design and manufacturing services, for which we are extremely grateful. All the relevant checks have been done and we are awaiting the proposed design.



## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

**Over55s** - Alternate Mondays and every Friday afternoon and evenings Tel: Reg: 674748

**Body Conditioning** - Mondays 6-7pm Mandy on 07940 732497

**Yoga** - Mondays 6.30-7.30pm Sharon 07810 171864

**Debutts** - Tuesday 10-12.30am from 19th February Vicky on 01522 390369.

**Stability Balls** - Wednesday 6-7pm Mandy 07940 732 497.

**Kick Boxing** - Wednesdays 7-8pm Colin 07958.

**Guides** - Wednesday 7/30-9pm Jodie 676820

**Diabetes UK Newark Support Group** 1st Wednesday 7pm Margaret 01636 611115.

**Toddlers** - Thursdays 9.30-11am Sarah 674364

**Pilates** - Thursdays 6-7pm Sharon 07810 271864

**Parish Council** - 1st Thursday monthly 7.30-9.30pm

**Salsa dancing** - Thursdays 7-10pm classes for beginners and beginners plus Ian 07890 206088

**Rainbows** - Fridays 5-6pm Dawn 812341

**Rangers** - 1st and 2nd Fridays monthly 7-9.30pm

**Church of Promise Service** - Sundays 10am -12.30pm Robin Steedman 671016

**To make a Booking: Tel: 07985 386 638**

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## Mothering Sunday

How it all began!

Between 1890 and 1922, The Reverend Charles Penswick-Smith served our village as Vicar. His daughter, Constance Penswick-Smith (1878-1938) became a tireless campaigner for twenty five years for the revival of mothering Sunday in Britain. She was concerned that the religious aspects of the medieval festival of Mothering Sunday would be overshadowed by the new American tradition of Mother's day, begun in 1906 by Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia. You can find the Penswick-Smith graves near the Church porch. Mothering Sunday services have a special; significance for our village and elements of the services reflect this.

**This years Mothering Sunday Services :**

**Coddington Parish Church Mothering Sunday Service 2nd March 4pm**

**Church of Promise Mothering Sunday Service 2nd March 10am.**

You are warmly invited to join us when we will be holding a special service. During the service there will be separate related activities for children and a gift for Mum's! After the service which finishes around 11.45am please stop for free refreshments and a time to chat. For more information about Church of Promise and our contact details , see our website

**[www.churchofpromise.org.uk](http://www.churchofpromise.org.uk) or contact Robin Steedman Tel: 671016**

### 'CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE'

This year, for the first time, The Parish Council's Christmas Tree was in the grounds of the New Community Centre. Developments at the School had not left enough room for the Tree, so The Coddington Community Centre Association kindly agreed that it should be sited next to the Centre.

It was also decided to take advantage of the new location by providing 'after carols' eats and drinks at the Community Centre, supported by the Association.

So on 18th December, children and grown ups gathered around the Tree to sing carols followed by hot drinks, sausages rolls and mince pies in the centre. The Denny Goodwin Jazz Band played Christmassy music and jazz and soon children and even adults were dancing to the music.

This was a great start to Christmas and a wonderful example of an event for everyone in the Village and nearby. The Parish Council and The Community Association worked together to produce a really happy community occasion which will be repeated next Christmas, when it is hoped even more people will come and join in.

Alison Stubbs & Mary Molloson

*Working together for the good of all!*



## Community Centre Facilities

### Weekends and Evenings

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# CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

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## CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

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Wed	6.30 - 7.30pm	BEAVERS
	7.45 - 9.00pm	TIA CHI
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	8.15 -	DUKE of EDINBURGH AWARD
Fri	7.00 - 9.00pm	SCOUTS & EXPLORERS

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Mon	2pm	OVER 55'S	[Reg	674748
Mon	6 - 7pm	LEGS, BUMS & TUMS all ages	Mandy	07940 732497
Mon	6 - 7pm	YOGA [starts 7th Jan 08]	Sharon	07810 171864
Tues		BADMINTON [use contact phone]		07985 386638
Tues	10-12.30	DEBUTOTS	Vicky	01522 390369
Wed	12.45 -2.45	ROSEMARY CONLEY	Mandy	07940 732497
Wed	7 - 8pm	KICK BOXING [7yrs upwards]	Colin	07958 011515
Wed 1st mth	7pm	DIABETICS UK [NEWARK]		611115
Wed	7:30 - 9:00pm	GUIDES	Jodie	07855 872720
Wed	6 - 7pm	STABILITY BALLS[starts 9th Jan. 08]	Mandy	07940 732497

Thurs	9:30 - 11am	TODDLERS	Jackie	687096
Thurs	6:15 - 7:15pm	PILATES	Sharon	07810 171864
Thurs	7:30 - 8:30pm	SALSA DANCING [Beginners Plus]	Ian	07890 206088
Thurs	8:30 - 9:30pm	SALSA DANCING [Beginners]	Ian	07890 206088
Thurs	1st Thurs Mthy	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING		
Fri	5 - 6pm	RAINBOWS	Dawn	612341
Fri	2 - 9pm	OVER 55's CLUB	Reg	674748
Fri	7 - 8:30pm	RANGER GUIDES	Sheila	674741
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		<u>Village Hall</u>		
		<u>Contact</u> Mrs P Hemphill		01636 686317
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Mon	4 - 5pm	U3A PHOTOGRAPHIC SOC.		
Mon	7:30 - 9:00pm	DANCE CLASS PARENTS		
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**TRAFFIC SURVEY, JUNCTION OF BALDERTON LANE,  
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Residents living near this junction are aware that traffic here has increased enormously over recent years with the ongoing development of the Fernwood estate and changes to traffic control on London Rd. With this in mind they wrote to the Parish Council asking if part of Main Street could become traffic-free or one-way in order to overcome the frequent traffic problems (gridlock, broken wing mirrors, arguments) experienced on the narrow section adjacent to Post Office Row. As a result, Notts. County Council arranged for a traffic survey to be carried out over **9 hours on Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> November 2007 - 7-10am, 11-2pm, 3-6pm.**

The total count of vehicles (all kinds) during the 9 hours was 2,193, meaning that on average just over 4 vehicles pass this junction *every minute*.

Those of you living on Balderton Lane will not be surprised to know that the majority of vehicles (1,934) used the junction to access Balderton Lane. Slightly less traffic (500/529) coming from Balderton went towards the school than towards the church. I believe that much of the latter traffic uses Drove Lane to access the A46 to Lincoln since it was noticeable that Balderton Lane was really quiet while Drove Lane was closed for re-surfacing some time ago. It would be interesting to have a survey to discover where people are coming from and going to.....

**Isobel Turner  
Parish Councillor**

## CAROLS ROUND THE TREE

This year, for the first time, the Parish Council's Christmas Tree was in the grounds of the new Community Centre. Developments at the School had not left enough room for the tree, so the Community Centre Association kindly agreed that it should be sited next to the Centre. It was also decided to take advantage of the new location by providing 'after carols' eats and drinks at the Community Centre, supplied by the Association.

So on 18th December, children and grown-ups gathered around the tree to sing carols followed by hot drinks, sausage rolls and mince pies in the Centre. The Denny Goodwin Jazz Band played Christmassy music and jazz and soon children and even adults were dancing to the music.

This was a great start to Christmas and a wonderful example of an event for everyone in the village and nearby. The Parish Council and the Community Centre Association worked together to produce a really happy community occasion which will be repeated next Christmas, when it is hoped even more people will come and join in this Christmas celebration.

Oh, and we must not forget to report the winners of the Parish Council's prizes for the best Christmas tree decorations made by children at the School.

Joint second were Amber Delandra and Noah Carson and first was Freya Brunt - congratulations!

**Alison Stubbs and Mary Molloson**



All Saints' Church  
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# SUMMER FAIR

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## **CODDINGTON W.I**

The W.I. Christmas Party was a great success, attended by 54 of our 65 members. The Drama Group's depiction of the various ages of women was very clever and very funny and made a fitting finale to the evening. Members donated gifts in Christmassy packaging which were collected and later given to Newark Women's Aid.

The trip to 'Belvoir at Christmas' was very enjoyable, as was the W.I.'s participation in the celebration of Christmas at Southwell Minster. Those members who came to the village 'Carols Round the Tree' were treated to a real village event which hopefully will become a 'tradition'.

Now to the New Year, which got off to a good start with an hilarious talk by Mr Rodney Cousins at the January meeting. The first walk of the year was around Fulbeck with the usual pub lunch as a 'reward'. But the main event in January was the Seniors' Lunch at the Community Centre. 68 villagers enjoyed a meal cooked and served by members of the W.I. and financed by Coddington United Charities. The photograph shows some of our guests looking as though they are having a great time. After lunch entertainment was provided by Mike Richmond singing songs made famous by Pavarotti, Joseph Lock and Tom Jones. Feedback from those who attended indicates that the lunch was as enjoyable as ever. The £119 raised from the raffle, along with money raised at the W.I Christmas Party has been given to Newark Women's Aid.

Now we are looking forward to a full programme in 2008. Apart from the usual monthly meetings, on February 22nd, four teams from Coddington W.I will be entering the County Quiz. A visit to the Palace Theatre is also being organised to see 'Anything Goes'. Plans are well advanced for the two-day walking trip to Yorkshire in May, organised by Nora and Fred Reed. So there is much to look forward to.

**Mary Molloson.**



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## **1st CODDINGTON BROWNIES**

We are having a busy time at Brownies attending a Thinking Day service and doing our Entertainers Badge. This poem was written by Megan for her part in our talent show

I love Brownies its really great  
I have lots of fun and see all my mates  
We make a Brownie promise and keep Brownie Guide law  
We play lots of games it's never a bore  
There are lots of groups that we call sixes  
If there's a problem we help Brown Owl fix them  
All the other leaders are lovely too  
They help us with all the badges to do  
We follow the 1st Coddington Brownie Rules  
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## **CODDINGTON HISTORY GROUP**

### TALKS

Thurs. 20th March - Eric Houlder; Plagues and Potions. *The horrors of mediaeval medicine.*

Thurs. 17th April - Dave Sankey; The Mystery of the Glass Slides. *Dave tells the story, and how he discovered it, behind a set of very old glass slides (photos) which he found in the loft of a house that he bought.*

Thurs. 15th May - Adrian Henstock, Turnpike Roads. *Adrian was Archivist at Nottingham and his talk on Nottinghamshire turnpikes will doubtless be based on contemporary documents.*

Then after the summer break:

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Sept. – Cliff Housley, The Wipers (Ypres) Times. *This talk relates the history of a little known newspaper, printed in the trenches by officers and men of the 12<sup>th</sup>. (Pioneer) Battalion The Sherwood Foresters, during the Great War of 1914-18 and known as “The Wipers Times”. The talk is given accompanied by WWI sounds, songs and humour.*

All the above events are in the Village Hall, Main St starting at 7:30pm.

Everyone welcome, Members £1, non-members £2 – includes refreshments.

## **CODDINGTON TENANTS AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

Not much to report this month. We held our Christmas Fair and Bingo in December and raised £185. Of this we sent £100 to the RNLI and the remainder went to our rear garden fund. Thank you to all who supported this effort and also to those who have donated plants for our garden. We hope to discuss our future projects and fund raising ideas at our next meeting in March.

Gill Burgess

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## **CODDINGTON HISTORY GROUP**

**Pamela Elizabeth Branston 2/11/1914 – 2/3/1993**

Pamela Branston was born into an eminent Newark family - some would say the Branston Dynasty; she lived on Newark Road, Coddington from 1951 until her death in 1993.

Newark in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century and the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century was one of the largest Malting towns in the UK and Branstons the Malsters were one of the outstanding families of Newark for the last two hundred years. The man who was principally responsible for laying the foundations of the business was Joseph Branston, who was baptised on the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 1788. He was the son of Joseph Branston a farmer of Lingspot Farm, Langford Newark born in 1711 and Elizabeth (nee Marshall) born 1763 who were married on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 1784. Joseph Snr. died on the 30<sup>th</sup> December 1787 and four months later his young widow married Samuel Birkett of Coddington.

Joseph Jnr. (1787 – 1861) moved to Newark and in 1808 was a grocer in Church Street. He married Sarah Hall in 1809 and they had five children; two daughters and three sons: - Joseph William in 1808, John 1815, and Henry 1822. By 1837 Joseph and his son Joseph William were in partnership as Joseph & J.W. Branston renting premises from Lord Middleton including a malt-kiln. In 1835 Joseph William married Elizabeth Gilstrap (Elizabeth's brother Sir William Gilstrap became a very wealthy maltster, he gave the Library to Newark in 1883). They had a daughter and three sons: - Joseph Gilstrap 1838, William 1840 and Henry Hall 1841 and later in life they were all partners in the family business. By 1844 Joseph was Lord Mayor of Newark and the business continued to expand and it was now Joseph Branston and sons, grocers, malsters and tea-merchants. The malt trade in Newark was expanding rapidly so the malsters built the Corn Exchange, which was opened on the 27<sup>th</sup> September 1848 (closed as a Corn Exchange 1978).

In 1853 Joseph William and his brother Henry (Mayor of Newark in 1858) were malsters and seed merchants in Middle Gate. The firm was called J.W. & H. Branston and was one of the best-known malting companies in the country, remaining so for the next hundred years. Joseph William died in 1859 and his son Joseph Gilstrap Branston (1838 – 1926) took his place in the business; he was the driving force in the company building very large new maltings: - Spittal Close, Riverside 1, Riverside 2 and Riverside 3 in Northgate Newark, Riverside 3 was completed in 1881 and this development included a loop railway line to the Midland & Great North Western Railway. Joseph Gilstrap also found new sales outlets for the large quantities of malt the company was producing. In 1871 the senior member of the family was Alderman Henry Branston (1822 – 1896) now aged 49 a maltster and seed merchant. In 1867 he purchased "The Friary" in Appleton-gate, Newark (after his death his son George Henry moved there). He was tireless in his work for the community and he was a generous benefactor to many causes. In 1875 he gave £100 (a large sum then) towards a fund to mitigate sufferings caused by floods; he gave £150 to help to clear away unsightly buildings from around the Church; he gave £500 towards the Castle Gardens project, and £1000 to the Hospital.

By 1883 there were 62 "Malt Offices" in Newark the largest companies being: - Gilstraps, Branstons, Thorpe & Son, Richardsons, J.S. Caparn and Bishops (later called

Peaches). Joseph Gilstrap Branston (1838 – 1926) was always expanding the business; in 1896 he was Lord Mayor of Newark,

In 1902 the main partners in the business were Joseph Gilstrap Branston JP (1838 – 1926) and his cousin Alderman Henry Eyton Branston (1878 – 1934)(Mayor of Newark 1906, 1919 & 1920) the son of George Henry Branston (b.1849).

On the 19<sup>th</sup> June 1900, Herbert Parnell Gilstrap Branston (1873 – 1951 son of Joseph Gilstrap Branston) married his half cousin, Clara Gwenelin Branston, the daughter of George Henry Branston, in London, afterwards they lived at 44, Lombard Street, Newark. Through the marriage, the families of Joseph William Branston and of Henry Branston, the two sons of the original Langford born Joseph, were joined once again.

**Herbert Parnell Gilstrap Branston was a partner in the malting company J.W & H Branston (which had branches in Newark, Grantham, and Louth). About 1920 Herbert was advised by his banker to invest a great deal of money on the stock exchange but unfortunately in the stock market crashes in the late 20's and early thirties meant he lost over 80% of his investment. In 1946, J.W. & H Branston became a Limited company, and Herbert was made a director; shortly afterwards the company became a subsidiary of H.D. & D. Taylor Ltd (but continued to trade as J.W & H Branston) which in turn was acquired by ABM in 1959. Herbert was a military man at heart, and was a Captain in the Sherwood Foresters, serving in Ireland and in France in the First World War. He was very involved with the British Legion. He purchased "The Grove", Winthorpe in 1921, and the family moved into this very large mansion.**

Herbert Parnell Gilstrap Branston and Clara Gwenelin (nee Branston) had five children, the youngest of whom was **Pamela Elizabeth Branston** (she had 2 older brothers and sisters). She was born on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November 1914 at "The Friary", Appleton-gate, Newark the home of her maternal grandparents, George Henry Branston and Gwynneth Clara (nee Eyton).

Geoffrey Herbert was born on the 25<sup>th</sup> September 1906 at 44, Lombard Street, Newark. In the 1930's he was working in Kenya, and on the 29<sup>th</sup> May 1936 married Rose Mary Johnson in Nairobi. They had a daughter Priscilla on the 20<sup>th</sup> April 1940. However, they divorced in 1943, and Geoffrey Herbert married Margaret Liddle. They had a son Giles Winthorpe Branston in 1952.

His brother Peter Jocelyn was born on the 27<sup>th</sup> April 1908 also at Lombard Street, in later life, he was a "Master" maltster for Pauls Malt, working and living near Tadcaster in Yorkshire.

Pam's sister, Joan Gwenelin was born on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1903, and never married. Her other sister, Enid Marguerite, born 21st September, 1904 married John Walter Alexander Burness of The Lodge, Farnham Royal, Buckinghamshire on the 28<sup>th</sup> May 1931.

Like many malsters, the dynasty faded with the advance of technology and a lack of investment, and in the mid-1960s Branston Number 3 malting closed. Branston Number 1 and 2 have long since been knocked down and replaced by British Diamalt, and the boiler manufacturer Hoval. Remains of Branston Number 3 Malting can still be seen beside the river Trent in Newark



Herbert died on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1951; by this time “The Grove” had become very expensive to maintain and run, so his widow Clara Gwenelin sold the property comprising of a very large mansion desperately in need of repair and twelve acres of land for £5000 and purchased “Little Home”, Newark Road, Coddington on the 29<sup>th</sup> September 1951 for £5000. This was an outrageous price to pay for “Grove Cottage”, but she had fallen in love with it and was desperate to move out of “The Grove”. This property was purchased from Muriel May Downham who, in turn, had purchased it from John Edward Pyatt on the 26<sup>th</sup> April 1926. Shortly after moving into the property, Pam, her sister Joan, and mother Clara changed the name to “Grove Cottage”.

Clara Gwenelin fell down the stairs in the house, was taken to Harlow Wood Hospital and died on the 29<sup>th</sup> September 1953 and was buried along side her late husband Herbert in Winthorpe church yard.

Pam was a Commandant in the ATS during the Second World War, afterwards she worked in a senior position for B.I.C.C. based in the Newark area but around 1960 Pam was transferred to the B.I.C.C. office in Derby. For two years she really enjoyed her life there and was able to commute back to Coddington for the weekend. Promotion saw her working in Wick where she enjoyed the work and a very hectic social life - but not the commuting back to Nottinghamshire - so after quite a few years she retired and came back to live in Coddington.

Pam’s sister Joan Gwenelin Branston died on the 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1974. In her obituary in the Newark Advertiser it said: -

“Joan died aged 70; in 1940 she joined the Royal Naval Nursing reserve and was stationed at Portsmouth, Skegness and Grimsby where she became Commandant of the mess. Former assistant commandant of the Newark Detachment of the Red Cross and often helped at Newark Hospital. Matron at Dolphin school at Langford, Elston Hall preparatory school, and St. Hildas College, Whitby. She was also a nurse at British sugar Corporation, Newark. She was a member of the Drama Class at Newark technical College, Meals on wheels, Music club, and latterly a member of Coddington Church Council”.

In 1975 Pam had the garden cut in half and began to have a bungalow (to be called “Grove Cottage”) built by the local village builder Colin Smith, so she put “Grove Cottage” on the market on the 12<sup>th</sup> July 1975 for £20,000. The house was sold within a very short time to Ian and Anthea Dawson (who renamed it “Linford House”). The Dawsons moved in immediately so, as the new bungalow was not finished, Pam went to live with her great friend Katie Ringrose at “Mistletoe Cottage” Balderton and no doubt many gin and tonics were drunk in her stay there. When she moved, Pam put all her furniture which included valuable antiques (many of which were from her grandfather’s house “The Friary”, including Chippendale tables and chairs) into a furniture store - an old malting in Northgate. Unfortunately there was a major fire there, and everything was destroyed. Her insurance company deemed the furniture was not insured so she lost everything. Fortunately she did take with her to Katie Ringrose’s some small tables and valuable pictures, and several of her friends had stored valuable similar small items. In 1975 the family decided to sell the family silver at auction in Newark.

Pam moved into the bungalow in late 1976. Pam led a very full life and had a wide circle of friends, who she enjoyed entertaining to lunch, drinks parties or supper. The late Roland Carver thought the world of Pam, and made sure everyone invited her to any function neighbours held.

Sister Joan was the cook at home so it was after her death in April 1974 that Pam had to acquaint herself with the recipe books.

On one occasion she decided to invite friends to Sunday lunch, so she took herself off to Sibley's butchers in Newark to buy a leg of beef. Pam said afterwards "well I thought you can buy a leg of lamb, why not beef? Which cut of beef she was given, she was never quite sure but it was cooked and re-cooked and eventually even the cat refused to eat it! Pam cooking skills I am pleased to say did improve.

Pam attended Sunday morning service at Coddington church, was a member of the Newark Music club and took part in the Newark Advertiser's talking newspaper. Pam loved her garden and plants were exchange with various people on a regular basis.

On Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> January 1992 at 11:30, Pam aged 78 married Charles Hart at Coddington Parish Church. Their wedding reception was held at her great friends Peter & Margaret Thornhill who lived at her old family home "The Grove". Unfortunately, Pam and Charles only enjoyed a short time together at Charles's house in Collingham before Pam became ill, and she died on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1993. Her funeral service was held at All Saints Church, Coddington, with her name added to the family grave at Winthorpe Church. As Pam had no children she had bequeathed her furniture, very expensive jewellery and her paintings, all of which she labelled, to her nephew and nieces. Shortly after the funeral the benefactors collected their wares however the paintings were left to several relations and as no individual could afford to purchase them, they were sold at Sothebys in London.

The facts on this article have been extracted from "The Branston Family" book that is kept in Newark library; an article written by George Wilkinson in the Newark Advertiser in July 2006; and our late village historian Rolf Vernon, Carol Norris and my own knowledge as a next-door neighbour.

Coddington History Group open Day will be held in the village hall and the scout hall on the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2008 and one of our exhibits will be on local "Maltings and Brewing". Any information/photographs on Coddington maltings that were owned at one time by the Thorpe family would be most welcome.

**Fred Reed 30/01/08**

## **Annual Exhibition**

Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> June 2008 11am – 4pm – Annual Exhibition in the Scout Hall and Village Hall.

Please come and see our new displays on what we have been finding out this year – malting and brewing, the Tallents, farming, aerial views and others. Ex-National School pupils – please join our School Reunion photos at 12 noon and 2pm.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

The ringmaster scheme is well up and running, and the communication between the control centre and the coordinators is good, but to get the maximum benefit from the scheme we could make use of email technology to get information around the village fast.

**Burglary and car crime is not something that happens only to other people.**

**If crimes are being committed in our area it is better to be aware and take extra care.**

**IF YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS AND WOULD LIKE TO BE KEPT INFORMED OF ANY CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES IN CODDINGTON PLEASE EMAIL FRANK ELLIOTT OR ANY COORDINATOR AND ASK TO BE PUT ON THE CIRCULATION LIST YOU WILL NOT BE CONTACTED WITH ANY OTHER INFORMATION ONLY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

Anyone who is not on the Internet will be contacted by Fax, Phone or personal contact by your coordinator. **If you are not being contacted by any of the above means please ring Wendy Parrett Tel. 672686 or Frank Elliott Tel. 671424.**

We still require coordinators in the following areas, BALDERTON LANE and Coddington residents in the NEW-BURY RD AREA. If you would like to become a coordinator please contact **Mrs Wendy Parrett Tel: 672687**

**Will all co-coordinators please check that your details overleaf are correct and notify Wendy of any changes i.e email addresses etc.**

## **Neighbourhood Watch**

All the co-ordinators are listed below

### **PENSWICK CLOSE**

Mrs M Freemann Tel. 707119

### **NEWARK RD**

Wendy Parrett Tel. 01636 672687  
e mail chris@cptnewark.fsnet.co.uk  
Tim Ward  
e mail tim-ward@ukonline.co.uk

### **OLD HALL GARDENS**

John Rollins Tel. 01636 671233

David Beck Tel. 677324  
Email dabeck@tiscali.co.uk

### **PARKLANDS CLOSE**

Micheal Richardson  
e mail  
micheal@richardson898.fsnet.co.uk  
Frank Elliott Tel. 01636 671424  
e mail frankelliott1@hotmail.com

### **VALLEY VIEW**

Jackie Hart Tel. 672122  
E-mail Address(es):  
[jackie13@sky.com](mailto:jackie13@sky.com)

### **MORGANS CLOSE**

Nancy Sleight Tel. 01636 707686

### **THE GREEN**

Isabel Allen H.A.Bungalows  
Tel. 01636 613642

Mr & Mrs N Raikes  
Tel.676861

### **DROVE LANE (Village end)**

Hilda Page Tel. 01636 704800  
email bernard.hilda@talktalk.net

### **BEACONSFIELD DRIVE**

Glynn Jones  
e mail glynphoto@btinternet.com

### **LANCASTER RD**

David Hedge  
e mail davehedge@f2s.com  
Sarah Parsons  
e mail  
leeandsal@wallington14.freemove.co.uk

### **VICARAGE COURT**

Diana Jones Tel. 706266

### **STAPLEFORD LANE**

Graham Collyer Tel 702912  
Peter Brown Tel .707836

### **HENTON CLOSE**

Alison Bedford

### **BRYANS CLOSE**

Lisa Cobb Tel 605984  
E mail lisa.cobb@nsdc.info

### **STIRLING DRIVE**

Mr E Ross Tel 611647  
E-mail ted.ross@btinternet.com  
IF YOUR AREA IS NOT LISTED  
AND YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A  
CO-ORDINATOR PLEASE CON-  
TACT WENDY PARRETT

If you are out walking or driving in the village and see anyone suspicious or an unfamiliar vehicle please make a note and report to **Wendy (01636 672687) or your co-ordinator**



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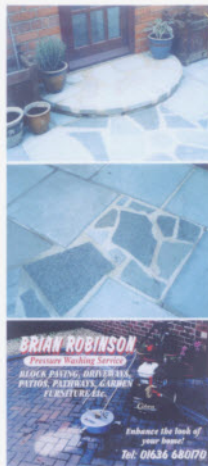
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**PHONE: 01636 680170**

**MOB: 07814 545729**



**OVER 55's LEISURE GROUP**

Firstly we are sad at the loss of one of our oldest members Phyllis Heycock. She was 93years old but enjoyed her Friday afternoons playing cards and meeting her friends

We are having good attendances at our Friday afternoon sessions 2.00pm to 4.00pm and at the Friday evening session 7.00 to 9.00 when our associate members join in the fun of Bowling and socialising

The Friday evening Bowls will end on March 28th as will the Monday afternoon "cut -throat" games with Farndon Bowling Club, when the serious Bowlers prepare for the outdoor season.

The Friday afternoon meetings continue throughout the year

**James Bell (Secretary)**

**LOCAL COUNCILLORS and MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT**

Our local District Councillor **Mrs Maureen Dobson**

Our local County Councillor is **Mr Vincent Dobson**

Both Mr and Mrs Dobson can be contacted on **01636 892267**

Our local Member of Parliament is **Mr Patrick Mercer**

Mr Mercer can be contacted on **01636 612837**

## CODDINGTON UNITED CHARITY

Money and land has been left in the past to be used for the benefit of Coddington residents in need. Local trustees administer this charity, and are always pleased to consider requests, in strictest confidence, for financial help from Coddington residents of any age group.

Help can be given with expenses due to illness or lack of mobility or with household repairs or replacements. Parents can apply for help with the cost of school uniforms or outings. Students can apply for a grant towards the cost of textbooks and/or field trips.

Applications should be made in writing to the Clerk, Mr Alasdair Morrison, 26 Kirkgate, Newark, or any Trustee.

Trustees

Mrs I Allen  
Mr M Clark

Mr J Bartley  
Mrs M Molloson

Mrs P Bartley (Chairman)  
Mrs P Mumby                      Mr M Bache

### **Coddington United Charity**

**have arranged with**

### **Collingham Rural Advice Centre**

**for Mr John Pitchfork to be available, by appointment, at**

### **Well Green Community Centre**

**on a Tuesday afternoon to give FREE confidential advice  
on**

**Welfare Benefits  
Neighbour Problems  
Consumer Issues**

**Housing  
Local Issues  
Debts**

**If you are over 60, John can visit you in your own home if preferred.**

**To arrange an appointment or visit, telephone John on 893241 on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 9.30am and 5.00pm.**

**Alternatively you may telephone Mrs Pat Bartley, Chairman of Coddington United Charity on 703512**

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10	Coddington	The Green -Main St	1.25	1.55
11	Coddington	Ross Close	2.00	2.20
12		Bus Shelter Main St	2.25	2.35
13		Parklands Close Old Newark Rd	2.40	2.50
14	Coddington	Old Hall Gardens	2.55	3.05
15	Coddington	Penswick Grove	3.10	3.21
	Coddington	Old Newark Rd Cul-de-sac	3.30	3.40
17	Coddington	Beaconsfield Drive	3.45	4.00
18	Coddington	Brownlows Hill	4.05	4.20

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