

CODDINGTON *Community* **News**

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DEAR READER,

The C.C.N. is back on the streets, although it may be that you haven't actually noticed that it had gone away. Oh well! Sadly, Alan Waddington, our esteemed editor has had to relinquish his editorial position through the pressure of work. So, somewhat by default, I, the new ed, "volunteered" to shoulder the responsibility of getting issues of the newsletter on the road again. Not that the task is at all burdensome because many people in the village have recognised the value of such a publication as a means of informing interested parties and have volunteered to write articles or contribute in some way.

Many thanks in anticipation! However, already I venture an apology. This Easter edition has been put together somewhat hastily and I haven't quite sorted out all the sources of village information - so to all the village organisations that I haven't yet reached: "Sorry". I will try and do better next time.

If you want anything printed in the May edition don't hesitate to get in contact. The deadline for letters, adverts, articles and news is likely to be April 20th.

POLICY

Coddington Community News is sponsored by the Parish Council and it is hoped that it will reach ALL residents of Coddington. Its purpose is to keep All residents informed of events and activities and to help people keep in touch with the many organisations that comprise village life.

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL give notice that the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING will take place on Tuesday April 4th at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Please come along and give the Parish Council your point of view on issues that concern you .

Already, a concern about litter has been raised.

It is hoped that a visiting speaker from the Police will address the meeting on Neighbourhood Watch schemes.

Coddington Parish Council

Coddington Parish Council notes (in brief):

1) The Gravel Pit, Balderton Lane.

Background: In March 1982 Nottinghamshire County Council informed the P.C. that the land was unclaimed and that the P.C. were OBLIGED to "adopt it". For many years the P.C. had in fact been undertaking management of the area but had never felt the need to take formal control of the area. In 1983 a tree planting scheme was started with the cooperation of the County Council and the Nottinghamshire Trust for Nature Conservation.

It was resolved at the beginning of the year to take possession of the land in the interests of the village community. The P.C. is thus intending to follow the legal process for adoption and the following steps have been proposed, seconded, passed and minuted:

a) A formal resolution that the council takes possession from April 5th, 1989.

b) The council undertakes to enter the land to carry out minimum maintenance.

c) After due notice in the local paper a sign will be erected on site with the words "Coddington Parish Council - Council Property".

Management and maintenance needs to be practised over a subsequent twelve year period, after which the P.C. becomes the legal owner by virtue of adverse possession in accordance with the Limitation Act, 1980.

2) Rural Housing.

There has been much concern recently about the lack of suitable housing provision in rural areas. A particular problem has been the inability of young couples, born in local parishes, to acquire either public housing or starter homes in the vicinity.

In order to clarify the situation and to spotlight the problem the P.C. decided that a housing survey might be a realistic means of obtaining data. It is hoped to produce a standard questionnaire and canvass the whole parish. An analysis of the information would be sent to the appropriate authorities.

Housing and opportunities within the village are an issue that need to be addressed with some seriousness. A village response will show Kelham and County Halls that we care about our lives, our children and our old folk and that we hope that they will respect and give our collective views the proper consideration.

PLEASE HELP US IN OUR CONCERN

Litter is a very emotive issue. Nobody likes it and it seems to be a problem that won't go away. In Coddington it is seen as a "formidable problem" and the responsibility for control and clearance is a real "hot potato" for all local and minor authorities. Avoiding the issue doesn't solve the problem. So, the Parish Council is hoping to debate the issue at the Annual Parish Meeting, on April 4th, and subsequently come up with some proposals for combatting the problem within the parish.

4) Donations

The precept having been set for 1989/90 the P.C. was able to release monies from its deposit account in order to support village organisations. Having heard excellent representations from the Harvey Avenue Mothers and Toddlers Group, the Harvey Avenue Playgroup and the Coddington Playgroup and Rising 5's, it was proposed and passed that donations of #150 be given to each of the three groups.

N.B. It is hoped that community organisations like those above will contribute articles to the CCN in order to publicise their events and activities.

And before you can say "Jack Robinson"

Coddington Playgroup and Rising 5's

It has been a while since our last report in the CCN so we'd like to bring you up to date on what has been going on at playgroup and rising 5's.

We have been busy fundraising with a sponsored "welly" throw and also a bingo evening at Coddington Village Hall, which has allowed us to buy some more toys and replace old favourites.

We have also had a visit from a local dental hygienist in the hope that our smiles last as long as possible!

Playgroup meets on Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting at 9.30a.m and can take children from two and half to school age. On Friday mornings, we hold a rising 5's session for children aged 4, where we help them prepare for "big school". If you know of anyone who is interested in bringing their children to playgroup, please ask them to call in and see what we get up to.

Is anyone interested in helping out for an hour or so each week? Please call in, we'd be delighted to see you.

Our next fundraising event is our

EASTER FAIR (and Bingo)

on

Saturday, 18th March, 1989,

2.00 - 5.00 p.m.

in Coddington Village Hall

You will be most welcome.

PLEASE COME.

CODDINGTON W.I.

On December 1st a programme of Christmas music was presented by Mrs Elaine Feiters and her musicians and choir, members joined them in singing carols. Afterwards coffee and mince pies were served, completing a most enjoyable evening.

At the meeting on January 10th, Mr Norman Dowse, formerly of Newark and now living in Coddington, displayed and discussed many of his water colour paintings. Some depicted scenes of Coddington and Newark and others of favourite places in Britain.

Members met at the Grange Hotel for a "Christmas Dinner" on January 24th, when all enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

FUTURE EVENTS.

1 March 14th Birthday Party.

April 11th "Gemstones and Jewellery"
 Mr Colin Hornsey

May 9th A.G.M.

A bus outing is planned for May 30th, the destination to be decided, for further information contact Mrs Jan Philips Tel No. 72900.

The W.I. are looking for new members. If you are interested do come to any of the meetings or contact Mrs Jan Philips.

THE CHILDRENS SOCIETY.

Coddington all saints mothers union continue to raise funds to support the society.

During the 2 week postal strike last September the society lost #6,858 donations which amounted to a drop in income for 1988 of #45,108 compared with 1987. An emergency appeal was launched to counteract this problem, to help this appeal a successful Bingo evening was held in the Village Hall on March 16th. Thankyou to everyone who donated prizes and supported us on the night.

April 2nd - 8th is childrens society week and we have organised a house to house collection. If an envelope pops through your door please consider a donation however small. Thankyou.

The society organises a national Cake Bake Day and a National Sponsored Knit. These are to be held on Saturday June 24th And a date to be arranged in October respectively.

If you can help by baking cakes to sell on the charity stall, Newark market, or if you would like to join in the knit please contact Ruth Tysoe (79665) or Mary Handbury (702995).

Thankyou for taking the time to read this article, if anyone would like a society collecting box to make a regular donation I have a few to spare.

MOTHERS UNION.

Mothers union meets on the third Tuesday in the month at Vale Farm at 2-15 p.m. We welcome anyone who would like to join us. Members and friends are making Church Kneelers to various designs and anyone who would like to make one and donate it to the Church could get in touch with Mrs Ruth Tysoe. Newark 79665.

Thankyou, Mary G. Handbury (Sec).

Become A Waste Watcher

As secretary of Coddington W.I. I have been sent a "Waste Watcher" leaflet bringing to our members attention the amount of waste we produce - between 13 and 15 million tonnes of household rubbish, per year.

At the W.I. we have been encouraged to consider ways in which to recycle as much as possible and with this in mind I have compiled a short list of local collection points for some of your more useful "rubbish".

If you know of any further collection points for rubbish please contact Mrs J. Phillips, on Newark 72900. (And the Ed. of the C.C.N.

Article

Collection Point

Postage Stamps

(All used stamps from envelope with small border left)

Coddington W I

Coddington Beavers

Mrs Ruth Tysoe - for Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Oxfam Shop

Old Newspapers

Mrs W. Parrett for 7th Newark

Scout Group, Lovers Lane.

Balderton Methodist Church.

Ring pulls from drinks cans

Any Grove school pupil - for Sheffield Area Kidney Patients Association.

Silver Paper

(Please squash flat)

Sheldrakes (Opticians) - for

Guide Dogs

Old Spectacles

Sheldrakes and Oxfam Shop - all sent to the Developing World.

Foreign Coins, Clothes and Toys

Oxfam Shop

Bottles

Bottle Banks are located around the town car parks.

REMEMBER your waste is VALUABLE if thrown away in the right direction.

Advert

DOGS

Active person required to walk two
dogs for two hours each morning (7 days)

Suitable for D.A.F. - #15 per week

Please ring Newark 702092

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