

CODDINGTON COMMUNITY NEWS

DECEMBER 2003

CAROLS AROUND THE TREE

(In the school grounds)

Carols Around the Tree this year will be held on 17th December starting at 7:00pm and lasting about an hour. This year we hope to have the WI again and the School will also be in attendance. A special treat will be the Newark Town Band who have kindly accepted our invitation and will support all our singers. Money raised goes to village children's groups.

Dave Hedge

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 we would welcome any information, suggestions or literary contributions you may have for our next edition

I can be contacted on 01636 671424 or by email frank@elliott10.freeserve.co.uk.

You can also send your contributions to Frank Elliott, Rest and be Thankful, Parklands Close, Coddington, NG24 2RE

THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE PUBLISHED AT THE BEGINNING OF FEBRUARY. COULD YOU PLEASE THEREFORE LET ME HAVE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS BY FRIDAY 16th JANUARY AT THE LATEST

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

On behalf of the Parish Council and the village, I would like to welcome all the new parishioners especially those on the Newbury Rd. estate side of the village who were suddenly 'moved' without warning. We hope that you will take part in some of the activities or clubs that exist in the village and I know that you will be made very welcome.

We are trying to improve the facilities on offer and you will by now have heard of the new Hall that is to be built. We have a new cycle track to improve access to the school and we are increasing both the area and quality of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

If you have any good ideas that you have brought from your previous home areas, we would like to hear about them. As the village has won 'Best Kept Village' keep your eyes open for the sign that should go up soon.

Dave Hedge (Chairman)

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Chairman:

Mr David Hedge 11 Lancaster Road, Coddington NG24 2TA Tel: 673663

Vice Chairman

Mrs Wendy Parrett 'Enfin', Newark Road, Coddington Tel:672687

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Mr Bernard Allen Drove Cottage, Drove Lane, Coddington Tel: 703360

Mr James Bell 78 Beckingham Road, Coddington Tel: 674574

Mrs Isobel Turner Brownlow's Cottage, Brownlow's Hill, Coddington Tel: 708781

Mr Frank Elliott 'Rest and be Thankful', Parklands Close, Coddington Tel: 671424

Mr Glynn Jones 4 Beaconsfield Drive, Coddington Tel: 705929

Clerk:

Mrs Pamela Hemphill

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETINGS DATES FOR 2004

DATE:

Thursday, 8 January 2004

Thursday, 5 February 2004

Thursday, 4 March 2004

Thursday, 1 April 2004

VENUE:

Coddington Village Hall

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(Ordinary meeting)

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

CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Have you noticed how resplendent the Village Hall looks lately! Many people in the Village have commented on how fresh and smart it looks. Much appreciation is passed on to Mr Mick Lord from the Village Hall Committee, for the repainting of the Hall. He has also undertaken much needed repairs to the walls on the frontage

A special thanks also goes to Mr Bernard Mastin and his son who kindly donated the paint, and to Mr Reg Dickinson for the donation a Calor Gas Heater for use in the Hall.

Coddington Village Hall is run by a very active committee – which is one of the reasons why the Hall is so used throughout the year for events or parties. We have an 'invisible few' who carry out small ongoing repairs and maintenance – without these volunteers, who keep the costs of repairs etc very low, the Village Hall would not be able function as it does now.

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

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

A meeting was held on the 16th October and while the attendance was a little disappointing for a village of just under 2000 people, those that did attend were very positive and some new volunteers came forward as co-ordinators. The meeting was addressed by Mr Terry Reynolds who runs the RINGMASTER scheme within neighbourhood watch.

The RINGMASTER scheme uses all the latest communication methods to ensure that each co-ordinator in the scheme is kept informed of any crime reported to the police within our village.

The aim is to keep everyone informed if there is any crime be it-stolen cars or burglaries etc. in the area.

The RINGMASTER scheme is funded by the member villages paying a subscription to the scheme of £1 per household per year (less than the cost of 2 litres of milk).

To simplify collecting £1 from each household, the Parish Council is proposing to pay this thereby including every house in the village.

As you are probably aware, Insurance Companies ask when insuring your property whether you are a member of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme. This will enable you to answer Yes and probably get a discount.

YOUR CHANCE OF BEING BURGLED IS 1 in 25. IF YOUR AREA IS IN A NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME THE CHANCES ARE REDUCED TO 1 in 344.

Although we have a fair number of co-ordinators we are short of people in the following areas

Beaconsfield Area
Balderton Lane
Chapel Lane
Parks Close
Ross Close
Thorpe Close

If you would like to help the community and become a co-ordinator please contact Wendy Parret on 672686

I am sure that we will all benefit from this scheme, however if you feel that you do not want to be included would you please write to the Clerk to the Parish Council 2 Randall Close Beacon Heights Newark before the 6th of JANUARY

Secondhand Books

SATURDAYS 10am-4
Fairview, Beckingham Road,
Coddington, 01636 703317

STOP PRESS NEWS

CODDINGTON SCOUT TROOP

URGENT

The Scout Troop at Coddington will close down at Christmas if adult help is not forthcoming. The Troop is one of the best in the Scout District and has been for a number of years.

We are losing both the leaders at Christmas and cannot function without help. No previous knowledge is necessary as free training is available.

Please contact me on 01636 673663 as soon as possible.

THIS IS NOT A GIMMICK, IT IS A FACT!!!

Dave Hedge (Group Scout Leader)

SENIOR CITIZENS NEW YEARS LUNCH

**SUNDAY 11TH JANUARY 2004
12.30pm**

AT

CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Everyone welcome, but seats are limited so to avoid disappointment, please contact **Irene Bell on Newark 674574** to reserve your place. Lifts are available, but please let Irene know as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

During this year the amount of £1039 has been raised for the above society. This amount was raised from a Christingle service in January followed by emptying of home boxes, village collection and a Table Top stall. Many thanks to all who have donated to this worthy cause.
Peggy Harwood
(Representative for Coddington)



THE REPLACEMENT NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MINERALS LOCAL PLAN

Nottinghamshire County Council has produced a new Minerals Local Plan to replace the one approved in 1994. As a result of a public consultation on the plan the County has received objections. One of these objections is by a Company which has shown interest in land shown on the map in Black

This land at present is NOT shown for sand and gravel extraction in the Minerals Local Plan but the company wants it to be included

The County Council has asked the Parish Council and residents who live near the land to give their views as to whether or not the land should be put into the plan. The Parish will discuss its response at its meeting on 2nd December in the village hall. If any residents want to give their views to the County Council they should send them as soon as possible to

Jonathan Smith, Minerals Local Plan Officer

Notts. C.C. Environment,

Trent Bridge House,

Fox Road,

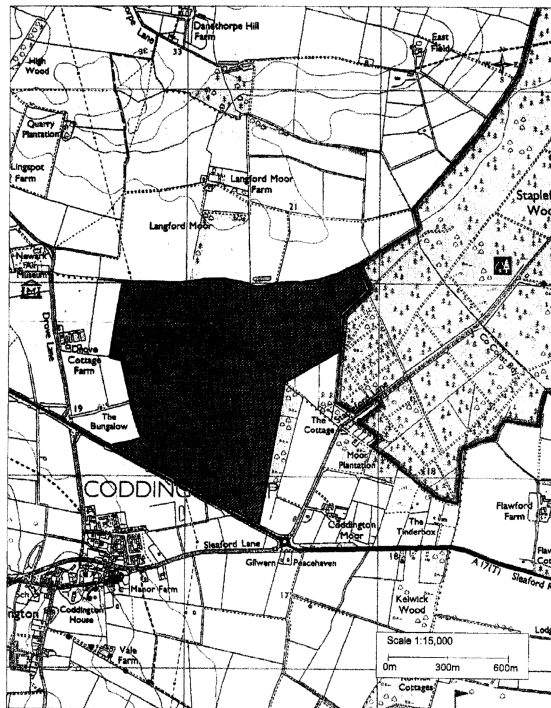
West Bridgford

Nottingham

NG2 6BJ

REPLACEMENT NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MINERALS LOCAL PLAN - PUBLIC INQUIRY

Plan showing omission site at Coddington (Representation No. 1723)



CODDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

We are maintaining our sections and giving the members the scouting that they deserve.

We will be loosing our Scout Leader at Christmas and we are looking for help with the troop as soon as possible. If you are interested or know someone else who is, please contact me soonest. The training of leaders has been changed and is now far easier to complete and no cost to the leader!

We are holding our Christmas Quiz on 6th December at the Scout Hall 7:30 start. Cost £5 and includes Fish/Pie/Chicken and chip supper. We look forward to seeing you there. It is a really good evenings entertainment

Dave Hedge

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CODDINGTON UNITED CHARITY

A RESIDENCE WILL SHORTLY BECOME AVAILABLE AT 3
CHURCH COTTAGES ,CODDINGTON FOR A PERSON WHO IS
RESIDENT OR HAS CLOSE CONNECTIONS WITH THE PARISH
OF CODDINGTON

THE PROPERTY HAS RECENTLY BEEN UPGRADED AND HAS
A NEW BATHROOM AND FITTED KITCHEN AND IS SUITABLE
FOR ONE OR TWO PEOPLE

APPLY FOR DETAILS IN WRITING TO

Alasdair F Morrison
Clerk to the Trustees
Coddington United Charity
26 Kirkgate
Newark
Nottinghamshire
NG24 1AB

Coddington History Group

The Parish Council generously gave us a grant to help us in our various quests such as copying the photos that villagers have been kind enough to lend us. Although we have many photos we can always get excited about more! In particular we would like photos of or including buildings in the village - we are sure you have some lurking in your attics so please look! We are always prompt in copying and returning photos as we realise they are special to you.

We are also pleased to report that we have received news that we will be getting a grant from the Countryside Agency's Local Heritage Initiative which we will be using to obtain equipment for the group to use and to publish a Village Trail. We plan to purchase a digital camera, pc, scanner etc and recording equipment for the important task of recording oral history, also maps of the village area, display boards etc.

By the time you read this I think that Mike Cox will have given his talk on Newark 100 years ago on the 20th November, but we have another talk booked for February 19th by Michael Honeybone on Witchcraft, this promises to be an interesting evening, Michael is a good speaker.

We also hope to have an outing to Cresswell Craggs, where a recent discovery of cave paintings has been made - the first prehistoric art to be found in the British Isles. We will have a guided cave tour and a talk with the curator of the museum illustrated by some of the finds. Please contact me if you are interested. Early next year we hope to have another Coffee Morning, a repeat of this year's successful day when so many people came to talk to us and see village photos and bygones - more details will be in the next newsletter.

Members of the group have been busy in their various ways doing oral history, looking at old maps, completing a challenging form for the LHI grant etc. We meet at least once a month to discuss what we have been doing and would welcome new members, please get in touch.

Isobel Turner, Chairman. Tel. 708781

THE OVER 55 LEISURE GROUP

COME AND JOIN US, COME AND JOIN US, JOIN OUR MERRY THRONG

(Shake your own tambourine at this point)
Despite rumours to the contrary we are not all old fogeys and some of us manage to stagger round without the aid of a Zimmer
The short mat bowls is not to be taken so seriously, beginner's are always welcome, its easy when you get the hang of it, experienced players give help and advice with only the merest patronizing sneer (Only joking honest)

Other games are available, board games , darts, table skittles and we have the odd week playing whist or having a Quiz.

We are quite a jolly band and have lot's of giggles with mates, which is probably the main reason we all go.

And talking of giggles, we have all heard Chairman's Johns jokes and could do with some new ones, so please do come along

We meet in the village hall every Friday afternoon from 2.00 until 4.00

James Bell (secretary)

ALL SAINTS CODDINGTON

Sunday 14th December Advent Evensong
6pm. Coddington

Sunday 21st December Children's Carol
service 6pm. Coddington

Sunday 24th December Midnight Mass
11.30pm. Winthorpe

Christmas Day Service 9am. Holme
10.30am. Coddington

Sunday 11th January Christingle Service
6pm. Coddington

CODDINGTON W.I.

Members have been very active during the summer, with meetings on the second Tuesday each month, except during August, when there is usually an outing. This year there was an interesting visit to the CCTV monitoring headquarters at Kelham Hall

This Autumn we had talks on Bess of Hard wick, collecting blue and white plates ,and the Golden Days of Music Hall ,all well attended and followed by tea or coffee and cakes. We have also had bi-monthly walks of about four miles in the area, finishing up with a pub lunch.

In the alternate month we have a discussion group in a members home. The drama group are planning their next entertainment, and the whist and quiz teams are well supported

Next year the Institute will celebrate its 70th Birthday, and are looking for suggestions of ways to celebrate the event

We recently entertained a group of W.I members from Northants to coffee and cakes at the County Office, followed by an escorted tour of Newark. After lunch they were taken to the workhouse at Southwell, then round the Minster

Visits have been arranged to see the Calendar Girls film at the Palace cinema, a play at East Bridgford by the East Midlands Drama Group, and to Chats worth to see the house decorated for Christmas

Several new members have joined recently , and anyone interested would be most welcome, They should contact Gill Southgate, The President, or any member

Winthorpe & Coddington Tigers FC

This season we are operating teams from under 8 level through to under 14 – our recruitment campaign for players at Coddington School was very successful and we are pleased to see so many boys from the village now joining the club.

Later this month we are taking 200 youngsters and parents to the City Ground to watch Forest v West Brom and we also hope to stage our (now) traditional Boxing Day parents match at the Stapleford Lane ground.

Most of our teams have made a good start to the season in the league and the older lads have also participated in the Notts Shield – unfortunately no team was able to progress past the second round (still there is always next year).

We have revamped our website to include much more up to date information about the club - why not pay it a visit at - www.tigersfc.co.uk.

Colin Jackson.

ARE YOU AWARE

There are Bottle, Newspaper, and Can Banks situated in the car park at
THE INN ON THE GREEN
There is also a Paper and Clothing Bank at the SCHOOL

CODDINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dates for your diary

DECEMBER

- 4th DARE Graduation Ceremony for Year 6 Children
- 5th Christmas Fair 6.00p.m
- 9th Key Stage1 (Infants) Christmas Concert evening and afternoon performances
- 10th Key Stage2 (Juniors) Christmas Concert evening and afternoon performances
- 12th Nursery performances morning and afternoon
and choir performance Newark Parish Church
- 15th Christmas party Years 5and 6
- 16th Christmas party Years 3and 4
- 17th Christmas party K.S.1 and carols around the Christmas Tree at 7.00p.m.
- 19th Nursery Party and End of Term