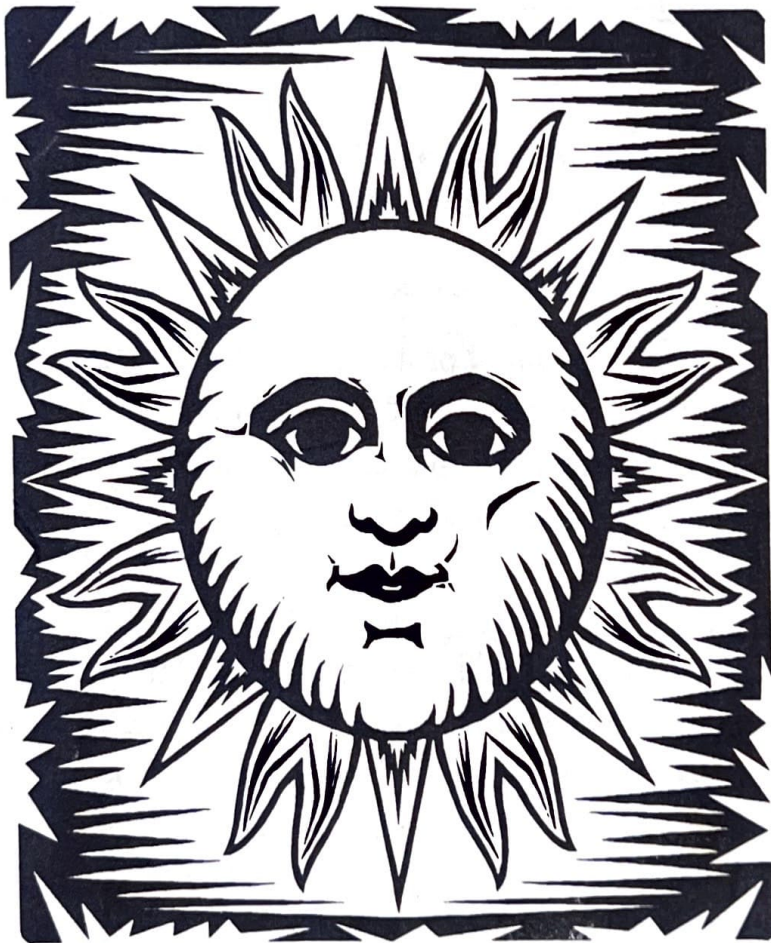


CODDINGTON
COMMUNITY NEWS



SUMMER 1999

Hello, readers

**Welcome to the summer edition of the Coddington Community News.
As always, there are a lot of organised activities taking place during the summer months. Weather permitting, there'll be no excuse to stop in - enjoy yourself!**

As usual, the CCN has lots of reports from local groups. Many thanks to them for their contributions to this edition. Please note deadline for the next issue is 31 October 1999.

CODDINGTON VOLUNTEER CAR SCHEME

It hardly seems a year since this was launched last year in the CCN, but it is a shame that, on this anniversary, it has been decided to close the Scheme until further notice.

This is due to a culmination of problems that have arisen during the year such as withdrawal of volunteers for personal reasons. With no replacements coming forward, the uptake of the service was restricted (largely) to very few in our community.

Unfortunately, it is not a viable proposition for the remaining volunteers, who have stated that they will continue to support the Scheme out of their own pockets, to continue. It is hoped, in the short term, with careful planning and negotiation that a similar scheme operating in Collingham can take up where CVCS left off. It is hoped that in the future with a new coordinator and more volunteers coming forward to take over the mantle of the CVCS, it might possibly start up again.

If you think you fit the bill either as a Coordinator for the Scheme or a volunteer driver, please contact Coddington Parish Council Clerk, Mrs P Hemphill for more details on Newark 686317.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who gave their valuable time and energy to supporting this Scheme.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

House to house collections in Coddington during April raised £165.00 for the Church of England Children's Society.

Many thanks to all villagers who have consistently supported the Children's Society over the past year.

Local Representative - Mrs Peggy Harwood, Newark 707214

BEACONSFIELD PLAYGROUP

Beaconsfield Playgroup. Coddington has places for children aged from 2½ to 5 years. We meet every Wednesday and Friday mornings during term times, from 9.30 to 11.45 am. at the Beaconsfield Community Centre.

We have recently had a very good inspection report from the Under 8's Social Services Department in Nottingham and can offer an excellent range of play equipment in a friendly environment.

Due to the circumstances surrounding the Harvey Avenue Estate, the Playgroup is hoping to move to the Scout Hall in Coddington village from September 1999 and a waiting list is now in operation for that term.

If you would like further information, or would like to put your child's name on our waiting list, please contact **Kate Marshall on 01636 704369** (Playgroup Supervisor)

CODDINGTON OVER 55'S LEISURE GROUP

Doesn't time fly when you are enjoying yourself! It only seems like yesterday when I was doing a report of the events at the Club last year. The members had a very enjoyable Christmas dinner at the Lord Nelson Pub in December and will be planning our summer outing shortly. We still have a membership of 26 who turn up most Fridays from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm for a good old natter with friends, play short mat bowls, scrabble, card, skittles etc and tea and biscuits. New members are always so do come along and join us

Jim Bell - Secretary

1st CODDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

The Scout Group is still very well supported and has been involved with various activities in recent weeks.

The Venture Unit helped with the Pensioners' Christmas Dinner and have made '5-a-side' goal posts for the use of the other Sections in the Group. They continue to help with the Sections on a weekly basis. They took part in the Claypole Raft Race this Easter and enjoyed the event even though wet and cold.

The Scout Troop is growing in numbers having had ten Cubs joining from the Cub Pack. They also took a self-built raft into the Raft Race and, took first place in the Junior section at a record time. Earlier in the year, they had a Winter Camp held in the Scout HQ during which they went on a snow hike in Derbyshire. They have been to Derbyshire to go rock climbing as part of an Activities Award that takes six months to complete. Later this year, we hope to give them the chance to go sailing and/or canoeing.

The Cub Pack has had a good start to the year, having taken second place in the District Merit Award competition, so proving that they are being trained well and they seem to enjoy it from the results they achieve. They will be going to Summer Camp in July amongst other activities.

The Beaver section is doing well and their numbers are beginning to grow again after a fall due to boys going to Cubs at 8 years old and there being no boys of 6 years joining. This seems to have changed and I fully expect the Colony to reach full capacity soon. If your boy is 6 years old or very close to it, don't delay, we can only have 24 maximum. We have two new young helpers in Laura and Livvy who seem to enjoy being with the boys. Thanks girls for your support.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is very busy with three teams totalling 13 people doing either Silver or Gold and they were all out doing 30 or 50 mile practice hikes in Derbyshire during 1 May Bank holiday. They all completed the tack in good health and more important, good spirit. Now they must complete plans for the real thing during August in North Yorkshire.

The Committee is, as usual, raising funds for the various Group projects and improvements planned. Many of the activities enjoyed by the children are only possible because of the fund raising efforts of the Committee.

Please continue to support us if you can and we will be able to give the children the fun and training they deserve

Dave Hedge - Group Scout Leader

CODDINGTON VILLAGE MILLENNIUM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee, which was formed two years ago, has been very busy listening to your views about a lasting memorial to the Millennium and fundraising to achieve this. The Committee is made up from representatives from the various organisations within the village and anyone is welcome to join us.

During the last twelve months, Tea Towels, Notelets and Xmas Cards have been sold at lots of functions held in the village. An enjoyable Square Dance was held in Coddington School and our special thanks go to all organisations that have held fund raising events for us as our bank balance is growing!

Forthcoming events - a Village Treasure Hunt followed by a BBQ is being arranged for 10 July and hopefully we will hold another Square Dance in November - watch the Notice Boards for details.

After listening to the various views of Parishioners over the last year for a lasting memorial to the Millennium, the majority is for a quiet area within the village and the ideal location is the area known as Charity Farm, Main Street. Our ideas are for a quiet, low maintenance garden with seats that can be used by all ages, from the very young to the most senior resident. The Parish Council, Coddington United Charities and the Millennium Committee have been talking, and although it is early days yet and a lot of fundamental issues have to be negotiated, things are looking very positive that this proposal will go ahead. If you have any suggestions in ways the village can celebrate the Millennium, why not attend the next meeting of the CVMC on Tuesday 29 June 1999, 7.30 pm at the Scout Hall.

Wendy Parrett - Chairman

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL REVIEW 1998-99

Parish Councillors have represented the Parish at a number of local group meetings and discussion forums including Coddington United Charities, Coddington Village Hall Trust, Coddington Village Millennium Committee, etc. In formal Parish meetings councillors have given more than forty hours each in attendance time and with responsibilities towards other meetings and preparation time a considerable amount of voluntary effort has been attached to the role of local Parish Councillor.

The Parish Council has dealt with fifteen Planning applications and responded to Parishioners concerns and issues including:

The loss of Warden support at Wellgreen

Circular walk and footpaths

Cars parking at the School

Tree planting within the Parish

Traffic calming, weight restrictions - Note: This will, not go away, the Parish Council will not be quiet!

Grass cutting,

Street Cleaning,

Litter and Dog Fouling.

The Parish Council has supported, with grants, the Scouts, the WellGreen Community Club, All Saints' PCC, the DARE campaign and have sponsored a youngster to Borneo.

The Parish Council has held regular discussions with the local Police on local crime issues - eighty nine reported crimes for Coddington. 'Not high' we are told but too many we believe.

We have a successful village newsletter (the CCN) reaching all within the Parish (thanks to Yvonne Jackson and Pam Hemphill)

At the end of this particular year, with a new Council formed in May, it is right and appropriate for me to thank the whole Council for their effort, care, good sense, enthusiasm and humour.

I would also wish to include my sincere thanks to our District and County Councillors who have worked so hard and effectively for all residents of the parish - restoring, somewhat, our faith in local democracy and local government.

A final postscript is to note, with sadness, the death of Roland Carver, Vice Chair to Coddington Parish Council. Steady and sure, we will all miss the qualities of reason and reasonableness that he brought to our meetings.

HUGH DAYBELL, CHAIRMAN - CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL - MEETINGS DATES FOR 1999

Date:	Venue:
Thursday, 1 July 1999	7.30 pm at Coddington Village Hall
Thursday, 2 September 1999	7.30 pm at Coddington Village Hall
Thursday, 7 October 1999	7.30 pm at Coddington Village Hall
Thursday, 4 November 1999	7.30 pm at Coddington Village Hall

THERE ARE VACANT ALLOTMENTS AVAILABLE IN

CODDINGTON - INTERESTED!

CONTACT: MR B ALLEN - TEL : 703360 OR

MRS P HEMPHILL - TEL: 686317

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, CODDINGTON

We would like to welcome you to our Service and events:-

FAMILY COMMUNION SERVICE

You don't have to be confirmed to join in - everyone is welcome to come along. 11.00 am on 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays in the Month

ie 13 th and 27 th	June	11 th and 25 th	July
8 th , 22 nd and 29 th	August	12 th and 26 th	September
10 th , 24 th and 31 st	October	14 th and 28 th	November

EVENSONG

Every week at 6.00 pm. (except Sunday, 13th June - Evensong at All Saints' Barnby in the Willows)

BINGO FOR DIOCESAN MILLENNIUM FUND

Thursday 17th June 7.30 pm at Village Hall

SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 19th June at 2.00 pm (see poster for details)

Royal Wedding Day Special:

Children's competition for the best wedding outfit - Stalls, games teas etc.

Fun for all ages!

HERITAGE OPEN WEEKEND

11th and 12th September - Local History Society welcomes visitors to All Saints'. Tea, coffee, lunches etc in the Village Hall.

HARVEST THANKS GIVING

Sunday, 3rd October at 6.00 pm.

ALL SAINTS' BAZAAR

Saturday, 30th October at 2.00 pm in Village Hall

Many thanks to all those who continue to support us in so many ways - from taking part in services and working in the churchyard and fundraising.

We always need extra help and we have a Diocesan Quota bill for over £7,000 this year! If you feel that you can spare a little of your time and energy for any of these events, please contact me - **Pat Kirk - 01636 705824** or any member of the Parochial Church Council

Pat Kirk - Secretary, All Saints' Church, Coddington.

WELLGREEN COMMUNITY CLUB

SUMMER DIARY:

Monday Mornings: Coffee between 10.30-12.00 noon

Tuesday Evenings: Bingo - eyes down at 7.00 pm

Thursday Afternoons: Crafts between 2.00-4.00 pm

Various outings, hopefully one a week is being planned to take place during the summer months.

At a recent Age Concern Craft Exhibition held in Mansfield, the Club won, out of twelve entries, six prizes. These consisted of three first, one second and two thirds prizes - well done!

The Club is open for any resident of Coddington to attend, if you require any further information please contact Wellgreen or call in!

The Thorpe Family of Coddington

I would like to continue looking at different aspects of the history of the village and in this newsletter I am going to look at the influence of the Thorpe family on Coddington in the 19th century.

The Thorpes were a very wealthy family who moved into Coddington in the 1840's. They bought Beaconsfield House (now known as the Old Hall in the woods behind Newark Road). The Thorpes lived the life of the landed gentry and employed a number of live-in servants including a footman, coachman, groom, cook, housemaid and kitchen maid.

James Thorpe owned a considerable proportion of the land in Coddington. The extensive grounds of the house were planted with ornamental trees, some of which are still standing. Having inherited 'Beaconsfield House' on the death of his father, James Thorpe built a large house in Coddington for his mother, which was known as Coddington House (Balderton Lane) - Beaconsfield house then became known as Coddington Hall.

The Thorpes were very influential and played an important part in reviving the religious life of the village. All Saints Church was in a state of neglect whilst the Methodist Church on Chapel Lane was flourishing. James Thorpe was largely responsible for the rebuilding of All Saints during the 1860's. The Church had fallen into decline during the 18th and early 19th centuries with services being held only once every 2 weeks and the fabric of the church being in a state of disrepair. With the arrival of the Thorpes things improved for the better - James Thorpe spent over £2,000 on repairs to the church and also donated gifts towards stained glass windows for the church. With the Thorpes, therefore, came a religious revival of Coddington Church and Parish.

Yvonne Jackson

MILLENNIUM PROJECT

Would you like to contribute to a CVMC Project during 1999?

We are hoping to create a calendar record of life in the village during 1999.

This means collecting photographs, adverts, minutes of organisations, village notices, school concert programmes, service sheets from weddings etc. Anything at all that records or tells of events happening in the village during the whole of 1999.

But, we thought, why stop there? Since we are hoping that everyone (young and old) can contribute let's include family celebrations, fund raising, parties ... Anything at all.

For the future we will provide a picture of village life at the turn of the Millennium. Perhaps we can produce a book ...

**If you would like to be involved contact: Pam Hemphill (686317)
or Hugh Daybell (702197)**

**Drugs, drugs, don't take drugs,
You'll feel worse than eating bugs
Fags, beer and Cocaine,
They all can kill you just the same.**

**Don't forget there's Cannabis too,
All drugs can harm you,
But if doctor's use them right,
Just sit back, don't take fright.**

**D.A.R.E. is very useful,
The work is fun and never dull,
It teaches you about these things,
And not the misery it brings.**

**Arguments with family and friends,
And relationships that end,
Take my advice please do,
Drugs can harm you.**

**Thank you D.A.R.E. for telling me things,
I know what it brings,
Thank you Parish Council for the prizes,
For the best team, the wisest.**

**You cannot control drugs, they control you,
Drugs can harm you, yes they do,
I won't let them, no you'll see,
Drugs won't take control of me.**

**Written by Kayleigh Pollard - Coddington CE Primary and
Nursery School. (taken from DARE News, Issue 4, February 1999)**

**Tea-Towels depicting life and places in Coddington Village
are on sale at various outlets throughout the Village at £2.75
each. Also Notelets at 10 for £1.30.**

**Please contact Mrs W Parrett, Newark 672687 if you require
more information.**

CODDINGTON CE PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

The Summer Term is now well under way and promises to be a busy and exciting time.

Whitby 1999

The children from Class 8 and some from Class 7, are preparing to go for their residential trip to Whitby. They are leaving on 15 June and will be staying for four days. Plans for the trip include visits to Robin Hood Bay, Eden Camp Museum, Bempton Cliffs and a ride on the North Yorkshire Moors Railway. A great deal of preparation is done before, during and after this trip and we hope the children return to school with a great deal more knowledge and some lifelong memories.

Time Travelling

Some of the Juniors have already spent a day in March 'Time Travelling' at Southwell Minster and the Infants are preparing to go in June. The event is organised by the Diocese and the children, staff and helpers always return to school having had a wonderful day. They experience a range of activities including singing, sewing, investigating gravestones and studying various aspects of the Cathedral and Christianity.

After School Club

This continues to expand and to run successfully. Children who attend go straight from school and have a range of planned activities. The club is open until 5.30 pm. If anybody is interested in more details of the Club, please contact school.

The Club is hoping to open for four weeks during the Summer Holiday, so let the leaders know if you are interested in a place for your child.

The Peter Wright Computer Suite

This continues to be used on a regular basis by all the classes in school. We now have two PC's which are connected to the Internet. The staff and children are starting to learn how to use this and Class 7 have been taking part in the Tesco Millennium initiative. They have already put a lot of their work onto a website.

After School Activities

We pride ourselves on the range of extra curricular activities which are offered during and after school. This term we have an After School Reading Club, a Netball Club, Girls and Boys football teams, Beginners' Recorder and a range of other musical activities. We also offer courses for parents and currently have a Computer Course and a Playworkers' Course. We are planning an Armotherapy Course which will run for five weeks starting from 10 May.

Please contact school if you need any further details.

Other Events

I would like to thank Mr and Mrs Langley of the Plough Inn, who held a Race Night at the pub and raised £119 for our school. It is very much appreciated.

Our School Summer Fair will take place on **Saturday 10 July** starting at 2.00 pm. Please put this date in your diaries.

Sports Day will be held, weather permitting, on Wednesday 14 July.

Our performances of Cinderella will take place on Thursday 8 July, one during the afternoon and one during the evening. More details will be available nearer the date.

Linda Ferrier - Headteacher



It's been a memorable - not to mention successful - first season for **Winthorpe & Coddington Tigers F.C.**

The Tigers finished a highly creditable third in the re-formed Newark Youth League for under 9s including beating the eventual Champions, Grantham 'A', along the way.

In addition they were runners-up in the Newark League Cup final - being narrowly defeated 1 - 0 by Newark Town in a thrilling match.

The Tigers are now considering expanding next season by forming under 9s and under 10s teams and would welcome any new members - Tigers' players are from the Coddington and Winthorpe schools' catchment areas.

For further information contact team manager Richard Radford on (01636) 671302.

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CODDINGTON WI

Coddington WI has enjoyed another busy and happy year - this March we celebrated our 65th birthday. We have 41 paid up members who meet in the village hall on the 2nd Tuesday of each month to listen to an interesting speaker and meet with friends.

Apart from the meetings, we hold lots of outside events; the craft class, the walking group and the discussion group have been running successfully for several years and we now have a French class and drama group. This last group started last winter and put on a comedy play for the members of our February meeting. They all seemed to enjoy it and laughed in all the right places, enjoying seeing members of the committee making complete fools of themselves. We have had many trips out - the last one being a trip to the theatre.

In January, a group had a go at belly dancing and we had a two day Calligraphy workshop in February. We are looking forward to many exciting events coming up in the next few months, including Archery, Clay Pigeon Shoot, Croquet and Gliding, but don't worry; we keep our clothes on at all times and don't have any plans for a calendar.

Anyone who would like to come and join us, to make new friends and perhaps learn a few new skills, would be given a very warm welcome.

Irene Bell - Secretary

DID YOU KNOW.....

That there is a new, but interesting Museum opening at the Town Hall, between the hours of 10.00-12.00 noon and 2.00-4.00 pm.

It may be small, but it's bursting with portraits by local artists, both living and dead, a few artifacts, ie old pewter mugs etc. Put it on your shopping list to pay a visit to this new local amenity, I am sure you will be fascinated - by prior arrangements you may visit the Ballroom.

Remember, Newark is your town and it is your history.

CODDINGTON F.C.

The football season is drawing to a close and both teams are battling hard to maintain their current status. Both sides are next to bottom in their respective divisions.

The first team have one game to play on Sunday May 9 and, if they win, could avoid relegation to the first division. The season was always going to be tough for the first team. Last season saw some of the club stalwarts retire at the end of the season. Unfortunately the club was not able to attract enough players of the right quality or with the battling instincts to maintain any sort of consistency in the premier division. A lack of commitment by some players when the going got tough saw the first team start with only ten players or more than one occasion.

The reserves started off brightly having some good results intermingled with some poor displays and losing by the odd goal. Mid-season saw a run of defeats and the inevitable fall towards the bottom of the table. They have two games to play and they too could manage to avoid the drop if they have the little bit of luck they deserve.

September will see the start of a new season that, hopefully, will not be as traumatic as this one. Training will start in August so if there is anyone out there interested in playing for the village at football then contact me, **Phil Bryan at 17 Old Hall Gardens (Newark 679815).**

CODDINGTON PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

We meet in Coddington Village Hall on Monday mornings from 9.30 am to 11.00 am. Come along for a chat over a cup of tea or coffee while your children enjoy playing with the many exciting toys that are available. Juice and biscuits are available for the children.

There is a nominal fee of £1.00 per week to help cover our running costs.

For further information please contact **Elizabeth Evans on Newark 674413.**

**CODDINGTON'S BEST KEPT GARDEN
COMPETITION FOR 1999**

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO ENTER YOUR GARDEN IN THIS
COMPETITION?**

CLASSES:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. Small Garden | 2. Large Garden |
| 3. Best vegetable Garden | 4. Best display of Tubs
and Containers |

**Winner of each section will be presented with a shield
and gift voucher.**

**Judging to take place 3rd week in July
Please complete Entry Form by 30 June 1999 and
return to Clerk to Coddington Parish Council,
Mrs P Hemphill, 2 Randall Close, Newark, NG24 2LF**

NAME:.....

ADDRESS.....

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..... **Tel No:.....**

Categories: Please tick appropriate box:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Large Garden |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Best Vegetable Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Best Display of
Tub and Containers |

DIARY OF EVENTS IN CODDINGTON - SUMMER 1999
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Thursday	17 June	Bingo at Village Hall	All Saints' Church, Coddington
Saturday	19 June	Summer Fair	All Saints' Church, Coddington
Thursday	8 July	Performance of Cinderella	Coddington CE Primary & Nrsy Sch
Saturday	10 July	2 pm - Summer Fair	Coddington CE Primary & Nrsy Sch
Saturday	10 July	4 pm - Treasure Hunt followed by BBQ	CVMC at Scout Hall
Wednesday	14 July	Sports Day	Coddington CE Primary & Nrsy Sch
Saturday and Sunday	11 and 12 September	Heritage Open Weekend	All Saints' Church, Coddington
Sunday	3 October	Harvest Thanks giving	All Saints' Church, Coddington
Saturday	30 October	All Saints' Bazaar	All Saints' Church. Coddington

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