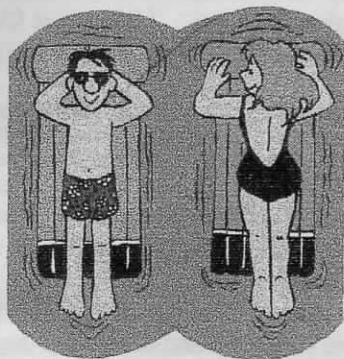


Coddington Community News



Summer 2000

Coddington is going to be a very busy and lively place in live towards the end of June and beginning of July. Let's hope the weather stays favourable with plenty of sunshine for the many events taking place around the village during the summer months.

Once again, many thanks to all the village organisations for their reports. Please note the deadline for the next issue is 31 October 2000.

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES - 2000

DATE:

VENUE:

Thursday 6 July 2000	7.30 pm at Coddington Village Hall
Thursday 7 September 2000	7.30 pm at Coddington Village Hall
Thursday 5 October 2000	7.30 pm at Coddington Village Hall
Thursday 2 November 2000	7.30 pm at Coddington Village Hall

CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Once again, there has been good support this year for Church of England Children's Society. A Christingle service, emptying of home boxes and a street collection has raised the sum of £740.00 since January.

Thanks to all those who have supported and donated to the Charity over the year.

Local Representative - Mrs Peggy Harwood, Newark 707213

CODDINGTON PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP

We meet in Coddington Village Hall on Thursday mornings from 9.30 am to 11.00 am. Its is a meeting place for parents of all pre-school children to get together for a chat and a coffee. The children are provided with juice and biscuits.

There are many toys for the children to enjoy and there is a fee of just a £1.00 to help cover the running costs.

For further details please contact: **Tracey Robinson on 659927**

CODDINGTON CE PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

You may have heard Coddington School on Radio Nottingham recently. The children took part in the creation of a Mothering Sunday card. This was organised by Newark and Sherwood District Council. Poems and art work by Leo Collis, Christopher Barber, Hannah Taylor and Connor Lowe were selected. There were reports in the Newark Advertiser and the Nottingham Evening Post and the cards were produced and distributed throughout Newark. We are grateful to Cathy Grindrod for arranging this exciting and worthwhile project, which strengthened the children's awareness of their community and its history.

Children at Coddington School also took part in a competition organised by Beazer Homes. The children were asked to design and make an ideal model housing estate. As part of this activity, the children visited the Beazer Homes building site and were given a guided tour by the Site Foreman. The entries were photographed and there was a report in the Newark Advertiser. Class 4 won the competition and all the children received prizes. This was another highly educational project from which the children gained valuable knowledge.

Our musicians continue to go from strength to strength, representing the school at various activities; including the Lincoln Music Festival where the Band won their section. The Recorder group came third and the Choir was placed fourth. Well done everybody.

Various entrants also took part in the Rotary Club Young Musicians Competition and Lauren Verrills actually got through to the final! Other activities are planned throughout the Summer Term, including performing at a Garden Party and Kelham Hall

Steven Daykin - Acting Headteacher

1st CODDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

**COME AND JOIN US IN THE SCOUT HALL -
A WHIST DRIVE IS HELD EVERY THIRD TUESDAY
AT 7.30 PM
(EXCEPT AUGUST)**

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TEXTILES:**

PLEASE NOTE THAT COLLECTION ROUNDS HAVE
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BAGS ARE OUT BY 7.15 AM.

RECYCLING COLLECTORS WILL VISIT CODDINGTON ON
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EVERY SECOND WEEK THEREAFTER.

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e-mail recycling@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Chairman: Mrs Mary Molloson, The Gables, Main Street, Coddington

Vice Chairman: Mr Malcolm Greenfield, The Rowan, Newark Road, Coddington

Mrs Wendy Parrett, Enfin, Newark Road, Coddington

Mrs Mary Carver, The Hollies, Newark Road, Coddington

Mr John Bartley, Bayern House, Newark Road, Coddington

Mr Hugh Daybell, The Homestead, Balderton Lane, Coddington

Mr Bernard Allen, Drove Cottage Farm, Drove Lane, Coddington

Mr James Bell, 78 Beckingham Road, Coddington

Mr Reginald Dickinson, 22 Thorpe Close, Coddington

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CODDINGTON VILLAGE
MILLENNIUM COMMITTEE

You are all invited to celebrate the Millennium in Coddington on Saturday 1st July. Starting at 2:00pm, meeting at Wellgreen, Main St.

A Parade through the Village to the School for a VILLAGE PICNIC with Entertainments, Games, a PIG ROAST, Children's Princesses and Pirates Fancy Dress [Prizes for the best], Adults Fancy Dress optional.

2:30 – 3:00 Fancy Dress Judging

3:00 – 4:00 Games for All

4:00 – 6:30 Mr. Ted – popular children's Entertainer.

5:00 – Pig Roast. Served with your own Picnic.

7:30 – 11:00 Ceilidh Dance.

Auntie Wainwrights Scratch Band

Bring your own Snacks and Drinks

McDonalds orange available while stocks last.

Raffle to be drawn, watch for ticket sales earlier.

ALL ENTERTAINMENT & PIG ROAST FREE

Costs met from funds raised at earlier events

All timings are approximate.

FREE*FREE***FREE***FREE***FREE**

THERE ARE VACANT ALLOTMENTS AVAILABLE IN

CODDINGTON - INTERESTED?

CONTACT: MR B ALLEN - TEL : 703360 OR

MRS P HEMPHILL - TEL: 686317

CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL REVIEW 1999-2000

The start of a new millennium, how has it been for the Parish? The optimistic promise of bright prospects, thoughtful reflections on the past - if not the previous hundred years, the last year or gloom and despondency at... litter, dogs fouling, cracks in pathways, gaping holes in pavements, illegal parking, illegal building.... Some things don't change and some things move in mysterious ways.

Planning applications - there were 25 applications this year - 15 last year. Proposals for 50+ extra houses in the village and the prospect of new housing developments at Harvey Avenue and plans for around 400 houses at Beacon Heights, will have an impact on the village, as will the huge development at Balderton Hospital. It might be argued that these developments may not be to the complete advantage of the village even if it may bring relief for our local village school. Harvey Avenue ceases to exist - from a thriving community to Grosny. The transformation is absolute and extremely depressing, especially for those who continue to live there as owner occupiers. A Millennium wish is for settlement to take place as soon as possible so that new life and spirit can rise from the ashes - adding value to our whole community.

Traffic in the village - in spite of strong lobbying, by Parish Council and elected representatives and the acquisition of tacit support from neighbouring parishes, has seen little movement from the County Council and Dept. of Environment regarding our continuing concerns. Wardens support for the elderly - that service has gone the way of all flesh.

The Village sign has been restored; school children planted the Millennium Oak Tree; councillors, volunteers and children planted hundreds of bulbs; substantial wooden barriers have allowed the open green on Valley View to remain a safe space for children; the pathway towards the A1 has been restored; action has been taken about the dumping in the Yew Wood; action has elicited a response to the decline in the Old Maltings; all eligible children at Coddington School have been supported through the DARE Project; the Brownlow's Hill bus Shelter has returned (!) and the Parish Council has gone some way to establishing a consensus as to a whole village use of the open space at Charity Farm. There have been many other achievements and this is wholly due to the commitment, determination and resolve of the Parish Council in active partnership with our elected Councillors for District and County, with able support from our Clerk.

The Parish Council is looking to the future - the future of Harvey Avenue, the quality of the environment and local services, the impact of Balderton Hospital developments, promoting community involvement and responsibility and, at a more prosaic level, but equally important, finding and acquiring (through purchase) space to park (bury) spent or burnt out Councillors and other local worthies. Thankfully that particular dilemma will be more pressing for the next elected Council, but we have to plan and prepare (and question - when the current churchyard closes down - guess who becomes responsible for its maintenance and upkeep? Sigh!) Challenging thoughts and collective responsibility in decision making - council business has never been as much fun!!

**Hugh Daybell - Chairman to Coddington Parish Council from May 1998-
May 2000**

1st CODDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

All the Sections have been very active during the past year and their numbers remain steady - despite the loss of the Harvey Avenue Estate.

The big achievement of this year has been the success of three of our Ventures who have gained the highest award in scouting namely the QUEEN'S SCOUT AWARD. They are Andrew Appleby, Graham Wells and Peter Robinson. They have received a certificate from the County Commissioner and will go to London later in the year.

Sadly, we are losing the services of Jane Hedge. She has decided to retire from the leadership of the Venture Unit. Jane has put in many hours of effort over the last ten years on a weekly and sometimes daily basis. She started with the Cub Pack and successfully increased its number and activities before taking on the challenge of the Venture Unit. She will be a driving force in fund raising - Quiz nights being a specialty. She was a prime mover in the purchase of the HQ and is still an important link with the other Village community activities such as the Coddington News. Jane put in extra effort to ensure that our Queen's Scouts made it to the top. We will all miss her dedication, her leadership skills and enthusiasm.

This year started with a nasty shock. We were told that the Capitation Fee that we all must pay to Nation HQ had jumped by 30% to £18.75 each. This had to be paid before the end of the Tax year. The total figure for the group came to over £1300.00. We have further been informed that next year it will go up again to £25.00 per person. We are going to have to raise this money and ideas are sought from anyone. One idea is Covenant or the new scheme that has replaced it. It is hoped that part of this expense will be covered by an increase in subs.

We need assistants and warranted leaders for Beavers, Cubs, Scout and Venture. Each section is desperate for help in order to continue, this could be eased by parental help on a rota basis.

To sum up, we are strong due to the Leaders and the Committee and we have a good future provided that we continue to work together within the Group and the Village.

Dave Hedge - Group Scout Leader

CODDINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

We now have a new village Police Officer, PC Ellis, who is keen to meet Parishioners. He has joined with PC Coleman and has arranged a local NHW meeting to be held **Thursday 22 June 2000, 7.30 pm in the Function Room at the Chesters Public House, Main Street, Balderton.** An invitation goes to all Co-ordinators and anyone interested in NHW.

It would be helpful for him if interested people could contact me, so that I can give him a rough estimate of people attending from Coddington for seating arrangements. If you could also let me know so that we can may be share transport and give lifts to anyone without transport.

Wendy Parrett - Tel: 672687

CODDINGTON OVER 55'S LEISURE GROUP

We are still a very thriving group within the Village, with a busy summer to look forward too! Come along to the Village Hall on a Friday afternoon between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm and enjoy yourself! Bring a friend, together you can have a good old natter with new friends, play short mat bowls, scrabble, cards, skittles etc and enjoy tea and biscuits. New members are always welcome, so do come along and join us.

Jim Bell - Secretary

**CAN YOU SPARE AN HOUR OR SO A WEEK TO HELP WITH
GRASSCUTTING AND TIDYING IN THE CHURCHYARD.
IF YOU CAN OFFER YOUR SERVICES PLEASE CONTACT:**

PAT KIRK - SECRETARY TO ALL SAINTS' PCC

TELEPHONE: 01636 - 705824



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WINTHORPE & CODDINGTON TIGERS FC

Winthorpe & Coddington Tigers FC Under 9's are the toast of the youth soccer scene after a hugely successful season.

The youngsters, most of whom hail from the two villages, won the Newark Youth League title and also reached the semi-finals of the League Cup.

The Under 9's manager David Sillery said: "Each and every one of my players can be proud of their efforts. I would like to think they all learned and developed as players - as well as individuals - over the course of the season and they played the game in the right manner, with smiles on their faces."

He added: "Much has been made of the fact that we had the League's leading scorer in Matthew Meakin and there's no doubting the fact that he has had a magnificent season. But we're not a one-man team. All the players contributed to our success in some shape or form and that's the most important thing."

Meakin romped to the top of the League's scoring charts by collecting more than 40 goals but there were other notable performances from the Tigers - none more so than boss Sillery.

He only took up his management role at the start of the season and never expected to be tasting success so quickly.

He revealed: "I've enjoyed each and every minute of it. Of course, there have been times when things haven't gone according to plan but that's inevitable. They are a great set of youngsters and I'm looking forward to working with them again next season when we will be playing in the Under 10's League."

This year's Under 10's team also performed extremely well and finished a highly creditable third (out of 13 teams). An excellent achievement for a club formed just two years ago.

The Tigers - who play their home games at the newly-developed Winthorpe Youth Centre - plan to field three teams next season at Under 9's, 10's and 11's and anyone interested in joining should contact Richard Radford on (01636) 671301 or David Sillery on (01636) 687098.

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WINES & BEERS, NEWSPAPERS
DELIVERED, CIGARETTES, ENVELOPES,
IF YOU CAN'T FIND IT - ASK RITA**

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, CODDINGTON

All Saints has received a generous legacy from the will of the late Mr Fred Black. We felt that we should use the money in a really positive way rather than allowing it to go into the seemingly bottomless pit of everyday expenses. We are sure that everyone will approve the decision to provide better heating, to decorate the church and to rid the pews and fittings of woodworm. We do hope that you will come along and join in a Service of Thanksgiving for the Refurbishment of All Saints' on Sunday 16th July at 6.00 pm and see for yourselves.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND SERVICES:

June 11 th at 6.00 pm	A FAMILY SERVICE FOR PENTECOST
August 13 th at 6.00 pm	UNITED SERVICE WITH ALL SAINT'S, BARNBY (No service at Coddington)
October 1 st at 6.00 pm	HARVEST FESTIVAL

CELEBRATION WEEKEND

SATURDAY 15TH JULY - GRAND SUMMER FAIR
SUNDAY 16TH JULY - THANKSGIVING FOR
THE REFURBISHMENT OF ALL SAINT'S CHURCH

It's fun to join in our Churchyard Working Parties, fundraising walks and rides - and good for your health too! Keep your eye on notice boards for further details.

Watch out too for adverts for COFFEE MORNINGS AT ALL SAINTS' - bargains in plants, delicious cakes and savouries, good coffee and good company.

REGULAR SERVICES:

Family Communion every 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sunday in the month

AND

By popular request: HOLY COMMUNION AT 9 AM ON THE 3RD
SUNDAY

We are grateful to Revd William for this service, which is not easy for him to fit in. Last week he had to take a 9.00 am service at Coddington and then be at Balderton at 9.30 am!

Evensong every Sunday at 6.00 pm (except 13th August - see above)

Pat Kirk - Secretary to All Saints' PCC

1ST CODDINGTON BROWNIES

Our Brownies Pack is still going strong, with a full pack of 24 girls. Already during the year 2000 the Brownies have taken part in the Church Family services. We also had a good turnout for the annual young people's parade on St George's Day.

There was a Pack Holiday to the Magpie's Nest at Elton over the Spring Bank Holiday at the end of May, when we took 15 members of the pack away.

On 24 June a few of our Brownies will be joining 170 other members of the Guide Association from the Newark Division to a fun activity day in Nottingham, (called STOMP), culminating in a giant camp fire and sing-song.

A trip to the seaside at Sutton on Sea is planned for July, just before we break for summer.

Sheila Bache - Brown Owl

WELLGREEN SOCIAL CLUB

1999 was a busy year, members had a trip each month, WHITBY, THE COTSWOLDS AND RUTLAND WATER to name a few. The year ended with Tea at the centre, Christmas Dinner at the Fox at Kirton and a trip to the Theatre, all free paid from funds.

We held a bingo and donated £115 to the Air Ambulance and also £100 to the Mozambique flood disaster.

Our Knit and Knatter group have numerous blankets for the Hospice and the RSPCA. Any balls of new wool are always needed to keep the needles going. No 15 or 16 The Green will take it in.

Our trips for this year are all booked and again will be free to members.

Any Senior Citizens in the area will be welcome at our Coffee morning Mondays 10.30 am at Wellgreen to see what other activities we have going on.

On a Thursday afternoon we hold a Craft class at Wellgreen between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm. OAP's welcome.

Isabel Allen - Social Secretary

FRIENDS OF CODDINGTON SCHOOL

The Friends of Coddington School are organising a Summer Fayre to be held in the School Grounds on **Saturday, 24th June 2000 between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm**. This promises to be a really fun afternoon with lots of stalls, games and entertainment. All proceeds go directly to School projects, and so we look forward to as many people as possible coming along to support the children's efforts

CODDINGTON WI 2000

The membership goes from strength to strength providing a broad base of skills, experience and knowledge. Coddington WI is in the happy position of being able to call on these members for a variety of activities which, when combined, create an interesting and varied agenda.

Meetings are monthly in the village Coronation Hall and commence at 7.30 pm. They are held on the second Tuesday of each month. If you would like to attend, please telephone our President, Eithne Thompson on Newark 676915 who will be delighted to arrange for you to come as a guest. You are assured of a warm welcome.

Subjects and events for the year range from Helicopter Search and Rescue, the history of Tudor Flowers, Newark & Sherwood Pest Control (two or four legged variety yet to be revealed), and theatre visits. This is coupled with an informal bi-monthly discussion group on a biting topic of the day, and a bi-monthly walk culminating in a pub lunch.

Jane Hadfield - Press Secretary

DOG FOULING:

The Dog (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 has been in effect within the Newark & Sherwood District Council area since 14 September 1998. Since this time the Parish Council has received various complaints regarding this problem in and around the Village. Not only can this pose a threat to health (especially of children); the worm *TOXOCARA CANIS*, which can cause blindness, is the most notorious problem associated with it, but it is also an unsightly reminder that an irresponsible dog owner has not cleared up its dog's faeces. All it needs is a suitable plastic bag or poop-scoop, either to be disposed of at home or in designated bins provided by the District Council.

Offenders Beware! The Dog Warden patrols the village at various times. Parishioners can report offenders to the Dog Warden or Rita Warner, Animal and Control Manager at N&SDC on 01636 655568.

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN FED UP WITH THE NAME OF THE STREET IN WHICH YOU LIVE!

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CODDINGTON CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Coddington bell ringers practice night is still Fridays from 7.30-9.00 pm. The bell ringing members now total 16 regulars with additional supporting ringers from other towers who come to practice nights when they can manage it.

The members' ages range from mid sixties down to early teens so there is a good blend of experienced and novice ringers. Our ringers stand proud to the fact that every Sunday evensong, without exception, they come along to ring for the half hour prior to the service. This also includes special family services. The year 2000 was rung in at 12 noon on the 1st January, like many of the surrounding churches. The occasion was a proud and memorable success as at least 12 members came along to make their mark in village history. An all ladies' band and gents' band took turns in providing a ringing welcome to the millennium.

One wedding rung for May and further weddings booked in for the remainder of the year, ringing is looked upon as a necessary part of the bride and grooms special day. Several quarter peals (which to non bell ringers reading this article) lasts about $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour of continuous ringing, have been rung since the start of the Millennium. As least one complete peal has been rung this year and this lasted nearly 3 hours, this takes a lot of concentration to get through without making any mistakes. Some local towers really do struggle to provide a team of their own ringers to help out at services and weddings.

Coddington should think itself very lucky that it has a good strong band of steady, loyal ringing members, but new recruits are always needed. So if you are a ringer who has needed time off to satisfy other commitments, or just inquisitive as to what happens at the end of a bell rope or if you really fancy a go, or even want to pursue this fascinating hobby come along on a Friday evening and you will be made very welcome.

Mrs B Arkley - Secretary

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CODDINGTON'S BEST KEPT GARDEN COMPETITION FOR 2000

**DO YOU THINK YOUR GARDEN IS GOOD ENOUGH TO
BE ENTERED IN THIS COMPETITION?**

CLASSES:

- 1. Best Small Garden**
- 2. Best 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
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