

CODDINGTON COMMUNITY NEWS

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EDITORIAL

More Community Vitality

Since the transfer of David Longstaff's Sunday School from Coddington Village Hall to Newark (see CCN July-August 1985), we are pleased to report that a Sunday School has been re-established at All Saints Church after a break of some years.

Thanks must go to the enterprise and enthusiasm of Ruth Tysoe and Friends in getting this venture underway. Even if your children don't attend, the Sunday School is seeking your support in becoming well founded as a group in our Community. See this issue of CCN for material ways of helping.

Those Windows Again!

CCN makes no apology for following up on this item from our last issue with a letter from Dave McGrath of the Harvey Avenue Residents Association. Readers of the local press will be aware of the campaign being conducted by HATA to persuade the Newark and Sherwood District Council to change the escape-proof window frames which have made some of these houses a potential death-trap in the event of a house fire.

We all realise that limits have to be set on public expenditure- and that must include public housing- but does this mean that residents have to wait until there is a fatality through fire before the District Council is prepared to take some action?

The only satisfaction HATA will have is being able to say "We told you so".

A.17 Coddington By-Pass-When will it come?

Regular enquiries to the Government's Department of Transport Regional Office in Nottingham continue to reveal that the Order for Coddington's By-Pass to be built still has not been signed by the Minister of Transport, partly due to protracted negotiations with local land-owners who objected to the route of the proposed By-Pass.

If you are concerned about our children and elderly residents still having to risk their lives having to cross the busy A.17 Sleaford Road, or you are continuing to put up with the continuous noise and traffic fumes, tell your Parish Councillors, Contact your District Councillors and County Councillors, and even our own MP Richard Alexander. You may be pleasantly surprised that they do listen to our representations and they do try to help their constituents. After all, that is why they take on their Offices and the responsibilities that go with their job.

Newark has had the Order for their By-Pass approved by the Government for over a year now, so why not Coddington's now? Before it is too late and the money for our By-Pass is spent somewhere else contact the decision-makers. Let's not be put in the position to say again- "We told you so."



ALL SAINTS CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL

HARVEST GIFT SERVICE

ON
SUNDAY 6th October
AT

3.p.m.

Please come and join in this lovely family service when the children can bring their gifts

ALL WELCOME

ALSO

IN ORDER TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE NEWLY STARTED SUNDAY SCHOOL, HELPERS WILL BE MANNING THE CHARITY STALL, NEWARK MARKET ON SATURDAY 19th October. DONATIONS OF SALEABLE ITEMS OF THE FOLLOWING:- Clothing, Household goods, Toys, Books, Records, Homemade cakes, Preserves etc. WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

Please bring these items to: Mrs R. Tysoe Little Surprize, Main Street, Coddington. Between now and 18th October. Thank you.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, CODDINGTON

SUNDAY SCHOOL

IN CHURCH

10.30a.m. - 11.30a.m.

ALL CHILDREN FROM 3 YRS WELCOME

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, MOTHERS UNION

Mother's Union is held on every third Tuesday at 2.45p.m. and is open to any married women who are interested in the work of the Mothers Union.

The aim of the M.U. is the advancement of the Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life.

If you are interested in joining our Church and Mothers Union, please come along. We join in a friendly service, enjoy a talk or slides, and enjoy tea and homemade scones and cakes.

October meeting Tuesday 15th, At Vale Farm, Balderton Lane, Coddington.

Coddington Sunday School

On Saturday 20th June a 'Fun Afternoon' was held at the home of David and Kay Longstaff, 152a Beacon Hill, to mark the closure of the Coddington Sunday School, which has been in existence in the village for almost 7 years.

Each boy and girl was presented with a copy of the New Testament in a modern translation.

Unfortunately the financial burden became too heavy, and the Sunday School has now amalgamated with the Emmanuel Church Sunday School in Sherwood Avenue, Newark.

David and Kay would very much like to thank the parents of the boys and girls for the financial and moral support that they have given over the years. Already 10 of the boys and girls have started attending the Emmanuel Sunday School, and it is hoped that all will eventually do so.



CODDINGTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Join Coddington W.I. this winter, only £4. a year interesting talks and activities.

Our new craft evening is a great success with members doing copper tooling, rug making, crochet, embroidery. Congratulations to Mrs. J. Allen, M. Brockhurst, M. Smith for coming 3rd in W.I. competition at the Newark Show and 1st in the cookery competition. The cup will be presented at the Autumn Council Meeting at Nottingham Playhouse on 30th September. Congratulations too to Mrs. W. Parrett for coming 3rd in the Moorgreen Show for a child's garment.

W.I. meetings 2nd Tuesday each month and craft evenings every 4th Tuesday in the month in the Village Hall at 7.30p.m. all welcome.

A Whist Drive in aid of The Alaric Hine Ultrasound Equipment and W.I funds will be held on Tuesday 15th October at 7.30p.m. at the home of Mrs. P. Hine, Hill Top, Balderton Lane, Coddington. Refreshments and whist - tickets 50p .

WI MEETINGS

10th September: Glass Blowing - Mr.R.Kalisleice

8th October: 'Home was my Wartime Prison'- Mr.J.T.DeFeu

12th November: 'Four Corners'- Crafts



Dear Editor,

If you have young children and live in a house with aluminium windows, then please help us get them replaced. It is no good just turning your back and saying FIRE - it won't happen to me. It could and probably will one day, so think of your children's lives first.

Photos have been taken by members of the Harvey Avenue Tenants Association of a father trying to get his young daughter out of one of these windows. Although the photos show this being done through the ground floor windows, we think that it is the bedroom windows that are the most dangerous as they are of the same design as the ground floor windows. So think, what would happen if a fire broke out at night downstairs and you couldn't escape through the front door? What do you do about getting the children out? They won't fit through the gap in the window. Smash the window!! It has already been proved by the Fire Service and a tenant on this estate that it is no easy task. Even hammers and a rocking horse thrown at the windows would not break them easily. So by the time you have tried, your family if not yourself would be probably dead by suffocation. It may take the Fire Service between 10 - 20 minutes to get from the fire station to the scene of the fire plus the time to get anyone out of the house, at the sametime risking their own lives because the powers-that-be at Kelham Hall do not care about you or your children's lives.

We have been told to lobby our District Councillor for better living conditions but how can we? He's always unobtainable and does not seem able to answer letters sent to him. So he is letting other Councillors cream money off for their areas instead of fighting for us in his own area, that most need this money. I feel very strongly about the fact that a young child who is given life, should be allowed the right to see some of it and not have it taken away for them by someone at Kelham Hall who cannot see any further than the end of his nose.

I am luckier, I don't live in a house with that type of windows so you see it is easy for me to turn my back and say I don't care, but I do care. That is why I am writing this letter and if you are a careing parent, please, please help us to mount a campaign to get these death trap windows out, as we can only do this with your help and support. So if you want to help us then please contact Mr. Jim Gerraughty, 15 Camberra Road, or Mr. Dave McGrath, 7 Beverley Drive or any Tenants Association member.

A worried tenant of Harvey Avenue,
Dave McGrath.

1st CODDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

Summer activities have concentrated upon improving our headquarters. We have completed our roof repairs and are hopefully now watertight.

The kitchen has been renovated and our particular thanks go to the N.L. Maws of Balderton Gate, Newark for their help.

Fund raising has consisted of our Jumble Sale, which raised £160 and Coffee Morning which raised £110.

My thanks go to all those people who have helped in these activities, which have now placed us on a more sound financial basis.

Coddington Beavers were placed first at the Balderton Scouts Gala Day - congratulations!

Anyone interested in helping or joining Coddington Scouts, Cubs or Beavers please contact Michael Clark, Group Scout Leader, at Chapel House Coddington. Tel 706785

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CCN is delivered to every household in Coddington (circulation almost 500 copies). There are people out there who may be looking to bring their custom to you.

The fee is £1 per issue - why not give CCN a try?

For private advertisements of sales or wants the fee is 50p.

1st Coddington Brownie Pack

The Brownies resumed their Wednesday evening meetings this month after the summer break. Since then a number of important events have happened:-

Three new Brownies were enrolled, Emma Speed, Aimee Simson and Joanne Spedding. Also a number of Brownies have taken interest badges. Many congratulations to:-

Artist:	Joanne Spedding Aimee Simson Emma Speed
Hostess:	Becky Rees Emma Wood Suzanne Spedding Hayley Spedding Melanie Boles
Jester;	Joanne Holland Sarah Turner Julia Parrett Dawn Bache Gail Pascoe

We have also welcomed to our pack four new girls. Jenny Wood, Lisa Wilcock, Clare Green and Anna Lane. We hope they have an enjoyable time with 1st Coddington Brownies.

POETS CORNER

Do what you can,
Being what you are,
Shine like a gloworm
If you can't be a star.
Work like a pulley,
If you can't be a crane,
Be a wheel greaser,
If you can't be a train.

Janet Storey



27 Morgans Close,
Coddington.

Dear Editor,

Having looked for an inspiration, to once more participate in the C.C.N. I came across the very thing, whilst visiting in Chapel Lane last night.

How delighted I was at last to see the unchallengeable difference in the appearance of the Cottage Home grounds, the credit for which, must certainly go to the new gardener come handyman (Mr. Horace Robinson) How lovely to see the daylight coming into this over-grown area, and the lawn coming into shape, nettles chopped down and in the gardeners own words 'lots more to do yet'. Credit must also go to his wife Kathleen who so ably assists him. How nice to see the grass verge so neat and tidy, after a very unpleasant job of removing much 'Dog Mess' that had accumulated. It is to be hoped owners of pets will take notice.

Also I see no justification in the grit, (for winter gritting) being deposited on this grass verge. Maybe if this is a necessary operation a receptacle could be fixed in the lane for grit during the months of bad weather.

Whilst on about grass verges and dog fouling, which has become an acute problem, what about all planting flowers or shrubs on their own particular front or verges? - so embarrassing the owners who let their dogs foul in pleasant places, sending them to the gutter, which could be swept away by a good handyman and broom, then HEY PRESTO, Coddington could be on its way to being an entrant in 'The Tidiest Village' competition.

By the way Horace would be very pleased with any plants anyone can give him and will willingly plant them at the Cottage Homes.

Still dreaming

Janet Storey.

CODDINGTON PLAYGROUP

|| CODDINGTON PLAYGROUP FOR 3 - 5 YRS OLD. ||

|| HELD AT CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL ON ||

|| TUESDAY AND THURSDAY MORNINGS. ||

|| 9.15a.m. - 12 noon. ||

|| FOR FURTHER INFORMATION RING NEWARK 700415. ||

CODDINGTON MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP



We would like to invite expectant Mums,
Mums with babies and children under 5 years old.

We meet Tuesday afternoons during term time,
in Coddington Village Hall, from
2p.m. - 3.30p.m.

Admission - 50p (inc. coffee, tea,
orange & biscuits)

The children are free to play with the toys and equipment provided,
and also enjoy orange juice and biscuits. Various activities are
organised during the year, sponsored obstacle race, outing to 'pets
corner' and a Christmas party with a visit from Santa.

If you wish to make some new friends, please come and join us.
The admission fee includes the hire of the hall, refreshments, new
toys and subsidises the outing and party. Hope to see you.

For further details phone Newark 74749 or 77309

CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Village Fete held on the 14th September and the Dance on the
21st September together raised over £100 towards the Hall Funds.
Many thanks to those who helped and supported these events.

Dick Grey
Chairman
Coddington Village Hall Committee

B I N G O

Thursday 10th October.

at 7.30p.m.

and

Saturday 9th November

at 2.30p.m.

In the Village Hall

Proceeds to the Village Hall
Funds

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the last meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 9th September certain items concerning our village and its residents were discussed.

1. Dogs Fouling Playing Areas and Grass Verges

There are more and more complaints being received by the Parish Council of people allowing their dogs to foul pavements and play areas. The Parish Council are trying to solve this problem, but if everyone in the village owning dogs could restrict their dogs more, the problem could and would be solved without a lot of time-consuming red tape!!

2. Heavy Lorries

The Council are also still trying to solve the problem of heavy lorries making use of the village telephone kiosks.

3. Speeding Traffic on Balderton Lane

There have been reports of near misses involving pedestrians who have to walk along Balderton Lane, so the Parish Council are making enquiries as to the possibility of reducing the speed of traffic along this road.

4. Bus Service

The Parish Council has sent a request and a petition (signed by residents of the Green and Morgans Close Estate) to extend the bus service to include this area of the village.

5. Coddington School Governors

Your two newly-elected representatives from local Parish Council's on the board of school governors for Coddington C of E Primary School are:- Mr. Allen Chairman Coddington Parish Council, of Dove Lane, Coddington and Mr. J. Clarke of Barnby Parish Council, The Bungalow, Long Lane, Barnby.

If you wish to keep informed of what the Parish Council is trying to do for its residents, please come and observe our meetings. The next to be held on Tuesday 15th October in the village Hall at 7.30p.m.

Ruth Tysoe, Clerk
Coddington Parish Council

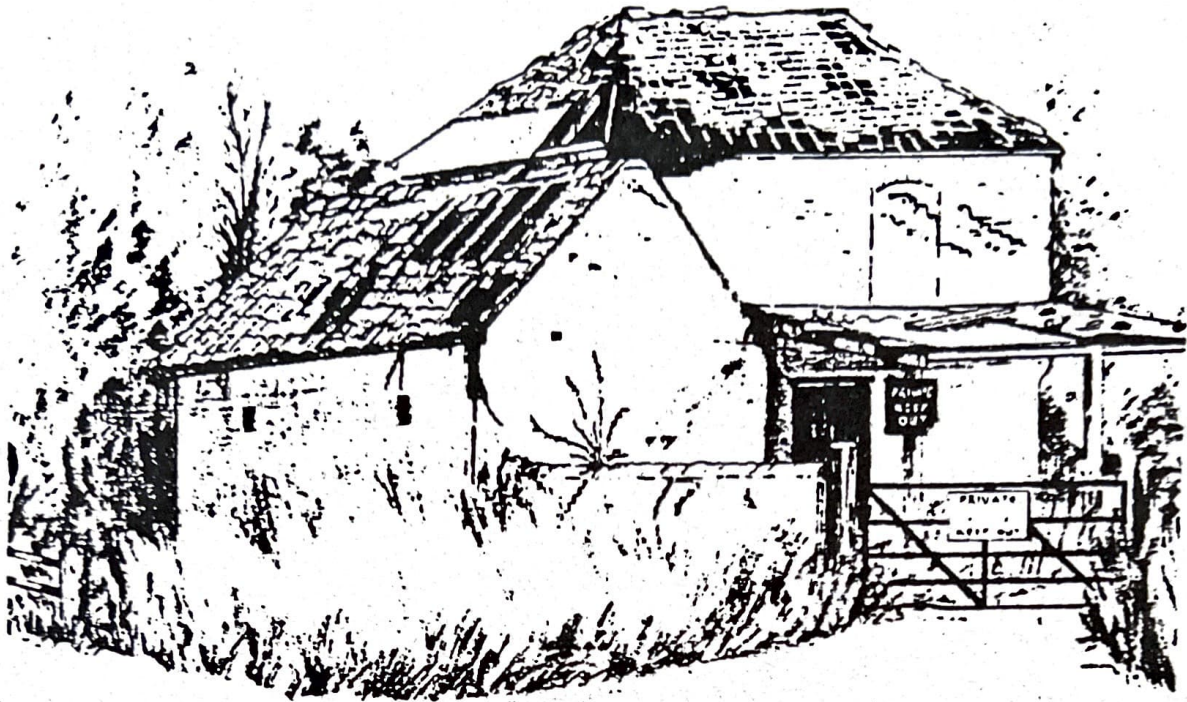
CCN for Christmas

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