

COMMUNITY
CODDINGTON **news**

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Summers pleasures they are gone like to visions every one
And the cloudy days of Autumn and of Winter cometh on.

(John Clare)

Dear Reader,

C.C.N. No. 3 arrives with the changes of Autumn but hopefully containing the pleasures of the past season and the hopes of future activities.

In some respects the summer is a quiet time as community groups, sporting clubs, etc. have a well earned rest. But others, for example the W.I., the Playgroups, even the Parish Council have been busy acting for and responding to village needs.

However, now is the time to prepare to publicise events and activities ready for the Christmas and New Year Season (It does get earlier each year!!), but we would quite like to get another issue out before the festive season - so COPY DEADLINE for Issue No. 4 will be FRIDAY DECEMBER 1st.

The Parish Council would like to thank all those parishioners who responded to the Rural Housing Survey. Details of the replies can be found later in the magazine.

Coddington Parish Council

Over the past three months, the Parish Council have been working on behalf of the Coddington Community.

In June, a Grant towards the cost of a part-time road sweeper was successfully applied for, and the position is hopefully to be filled in the near future. Along with the new litter bins that have been sited, this should reduce the litter problem in the village. Also in June, the equipment at Thorpe Close was completed.

July saw the Public Meeting for the Newark Local Plan, which was well supported by the village. The Parish Council, having taken note of all the points raised at that meeting, as well as studying the Plan in detail, are to send a report to the District Council.

It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that the sign at Parklands Close needed replacing, and this is now in hand. Also, that parking at the Main Street junction was again causing a traffic hazard. The Police were contacted, and this has now been sorted out.

Members of the Parish Council attended a meeting with Severn Trent Water Authority, who wished to clarify the pollution question, having received 'bad publicity' over the previous few months. Assurances were given as to the regular surveys carried out in the Coddington area.

Support was given to the Beaconsfield Community Association in their fight to have the Community Centre at Harvey Avenue extended rather than demolished. This matter will be decided soon at District Council.

A Working Party is to be set up to look into ideas including the possibility of smaller loop footpaths in the village - your comments would be very welcome.

The Housing Survey is nearing completion, and the co-operation and comments received have been very much appreciated. It is hoped that a full breakdown of the information received will soon be available.

The District Council are looking into the possibility of new bye-laws preventing dogs fouling the Play Areas in Coddington. The Parish Council have informed the District Council of the seriousness of this problem on many occasions, and it is hoped that something will soon be done.

The Council have written to County Council regarding the unlit crossing of the new relief road with Drove Lane. The Police have also been asked to support us in this.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on Tuesday 21st November 1989 at the Coddington Village Hall at 7.30p.m., and all members of the Community are most welcome. Any matters that you feel the Parish Council should be addressing themselves to, should be brought to the attention of the Clerk, or one of the Councillors at least seven days before the next meeting.

Remember, the Parish Council exists for you - the Community.





Neighbourhood Watch.

Due to the enthusiastic response by the residents of Coddington, the village has been accepted by the Nottinghamshire Constabulary as a Neighbourhood Watch area.

(Well done everybody!)

To launch the scheme there will be a Neighbourhood Watch presentation given by our local crime prevention officer, P.C. Alan Stanley, in the Village Hall on Thursday 26th October at 7.30 p.m.

He will be giving us some useful advice and interesting information about crime prevention. Questions will be answered during the evening.

Please try to come along on October 26th.

Remember 'PREVENTION is better than CRIME'
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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Whats on at the Village Hall:

October 27th:

BANJO BILLY country 'n' western and old time sing-a-long. This is a very good show, I hope it will be attended... There will be a bar and a raffle. Tickets #1 each or pay at the door.

November 2nd: Bingo; in aid of Coddington O.A.P's Christmas Dinner.

November 16th: Bingo, in aid of Village Hall funds.

December 14th: Bingo and Supper, in aid of Village Hall funds.

Message from the Village Hall Chairman Dick Gray:

" I would like to thank everyone who attended all the Bingo sessions last year for fund raising. It has enabled us to decorate the kitchen, toilets and hallway in the Village Hall. Hopefully we can raise funds to do the main hall next summer. I would also like to thank the Village Hall Committee for all their help in organising the Bingo's... "

Coddington Playgroup and Rising 5's.

The playgroup has had a busy summer, and since the last report there have been several outside activities in addition to the usual ones. These have included three trips - one to Nottingham to see the police horses, another to the White Post Farm Centre and one to a local farm, while the children themselves were visited by the Fire Brigade. All these activities were thoroughly enjoyed by the children as well as teaching them a great deal.

The playgroup still meets on a Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9.30am to 12 noon and we were pleased to start the new term with the full complement of 24 children. However, anyone thinking of sending their child need not worry about having to wait a long time for a place. The children move up to school at regular intervals, so places become available as a result. There are a few places available at the rising 5's and this takes place on Friday mornings from 9.30am to 12 noon. Rising 5's is an opportunity for older pre-school children to take part in activities which will help to prepare them for school. If you are interested in sending your child to Playgroup or Rising 5's please feel able to call in and see what goes on.

One activity that the children love is dressing up, but we desperately need more dressing up clothes. If you have any old dresses, shirts, cardigans, etc., which you are thinking of throwing away, please pass them on to the Playgroup.

Fundraising events continue to be necessary activities and the Easter Fair raised some very welcome funds - to those of you who came THANKYOU VERY MUCH for your support! Last term the children took part in a Sponsored Treasure Hunt, which worked out very well. Later this term we also plan to hold a Bingo session but the date for this has not yet been decided, however we would like to take this opportunity to put out a plea for donations for raffle and Bingo prizes - if you have anything you can spare we would be very grateful. Thankyou for your continued support.



CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HOUSING SURVEY NOTES

A: Comments Section

(Please refer to Table Data of returns)

To our survey question "Are you or any members of your household looking for housing within the parish?" - there have been 17 affirmative responses.

The reasons given for seeking local housing were as follows:

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| 1) Too large -> prefer smaller accomodation | 4 returns |
| 2) Too small -> | 3 returns |
| 3) Family living at home or in temporary accom. -> | 6 returns |
| 4) Want to buy -> | 2 returns |
| 5) Others -> | 2 returns |

B: Comments on the Returns

Over 1000 Housing Survey Questionnaires were printed and distributed via the C.C.N. and personal delivery to 443 houses in the village. 258 were returned or collected.

The Survey Response was 60%

The breakdown of area returns is as follows:-

Drove Lane 82% , Harvey Avenue Estate 60%, Balderton Lane 96%, Morgan's Close Estate 92%, Main St., Valley View, etc. 59%, Old Newark Rd. (including roads off) 22%.

C: General Analysis

- (a) Whole Parish Returns (b) Old Village Returns

HOUSES - (RETURNS) - MISSING	(A)						(B)					(C)			MALE			FEMALE			COMMENTS
	1	2	3	4	5	Living in Units	1	2	3	4	5	OWN	D/C	OTHER	0-16	16-65	60+	0-16	16-60	60+	
DROVE LANE 82% 22 - (18) - 4	4	3	2	3	6		7				11	8	10	0	1	10	3	1	9	7	1. Single person 70+ move to rent bungalow 2. Resident 20 yrs. wish to buy 3 bed. p. 3. Resident 20 yrs wish to buy 3 bed. p.
BALDERTON LANE 96% 24 - (23) - 1	6	0	4	1	12		13			10	16	6	1	9	16	8	6	16	8	No housing comments.	
MORGANS CLOSE 92% 65 - (60) - 5	2	3	11	4	36		0	0	5	2	17	22	34	0	7	45	15	5	42	21	4. Res. 20 yrs - family with inlaws - 2 bed rent. 5. Res. 20 yrs - family at home - 2 bed rent. 6. Res. 10-14 yrs - too small - 1 bed rent. 7. Res. 10-14 yrs - too large - 2 bed/bung rent.
MAIN ST., VALLEY VIEW, etc. 75% 62 - (46) - 16	7	5	7	4	23		0	0	1	1	14	39	7	3	12	34	8	9	37	10	8. Res. 20 yrs - too small - 1 house buy. 9. Res. 20 yrs - family at home (inc. baby) - 2 bed rent. 10. Roof insulation - Year, still waiting.
HARVEY AVENUE 60% 150 - (89) - 61	59	13	14	2	1		47			42	1	88	0	69	84	1	76	97	2	11. Newly marrieds living at home - bed rent. 12. Elderly couple - too large - ground floor flat. 13. Living in temp. accom. - 2 bed rent. 14. Res. 10-14 yrs - too small - 1 bed rent. 15. Elderly couple - too large - small bungalow rent. 16. Too small - 4 child, 2 bed - 1 bed rent. 17. Inadequate - brick built - 1 bed rent.	
OLD HEWARK ROAD (inc. Rds. off) rent. 21% 104 - (72) - 82	7	2	11	0	2		2			20	22	0	0	12	14	5	4	19	4	No housing comments	
TOTALS: 427 - (258) - 169 60% to return	A1: 85 A2: 26 A3: 49 A4: 14 A5: 00	4 Yrs 5 - 9 10 - 14 15 - 20 21 - 25	Yes - relations 111	No - relations 142	108	145	4	110	203 = 358	45	101	220 = 373	52	DR = 308 = 72.8% 423	IA = 97 = 4.1% 221	Population return					

427 - (258) - 169

Whole Parish

- 33% of the respondees have lived in the village less than 4 years (for the Old Village 14%). 31% of the respondees have lived in the village more than 20 years.

- 44% of the villagers have relations in the Parish.

- Home Ownership - 56% of the returns give own home ownership. 44% live in rented accomodation.

- Dependency Ratio -
$$\frac{\text{Under 16's} + \text{Over 60's (F), Over 65's (M)}}{\text{16's} + \text{---} \rightarrow 59/64}$$

= 72.8%

- Index of Ageing -
$$\frac{\text{Over 60's} \quad \times 100}{\text{Under 16's}} = 44\% \quad (\text{cf. Old Village})$$

Old Village

- Over 50% of respondees have lived in the village more than 20 years.

- Nearly half of the village returns have relations within the Parish area.

- Just under 60% of returns represent own home ownership.

- Dependency Ratio of 64%. Index of Ageing - 165 %.

E: Conclusions

The success of the P.C. Housing Survey is measured in the high % return. This shows a good community response and a concern for local issues. The returns, however, are qualified and can only give an impression of the real situation and a partial view of housing concerns.

If you have any comments to make or feel that a number of issues are raised by this survey please do not hesitate to drop a line to the Editor or to the Clerk of the Parish Council.

WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Coddington W.I.

On June 8th members were guests at the Birthday party of Spilsby W.I. - Coddington's twin institute. It was a most enjoyable evening, from the very warm welcome, lovely food and entertaining speaker explaining the pleasures of making and using papier mache. Each member was given a Spilsby bookmark and on behalf of Coddington's W.I. Mrs Karen Marsh presented a copy of 'Nottinghamshire Taste' (W.I. County Cookery Book)

At the meeting on June 13th Mrs Rosemary Robb gave a talk 'Ghosts and Legends of Nottinghamshire' the title of her recent book.

On July 11th members visited R.A.F. Newton, Dog Training Squadron. W/O Figgins gave a demonstration with a sniffer dog which duly discovered drugs hidden by a member. Members were shown round the kennels and museum, and told the history of the school and the training and accomplishments of the dogs. All the police dogs are Alsations, one of which, with his handler demonstrated the capture of an intruder under fire. Flt. Sgt. Philipson was thanked by Mrs Gillian Southgate for escorting the members. The evening ended with coffee at the home of Mrs Karen Marsh.

On August 11th a 'Social Farm Night' was held at Grove Cottage Farm the home of Mrs Joyce Allen who showed members round the pig unit were seen at all stages of development from one day old. Afterwards Mrs Mary Brocklehurst and Mrs Edna Woolliams presided over refreshments provided by members with samples of favourite recipes. It was a truly social evening and Mrs Gillian Southgate thanked Mrs Joyce Allen for her hospitality.

Future Events.

September 12th	Reflexology....Heather Greensmith.
October 10th	Paraplegic Sports....James Rowland. (Open meeting....ALL WELCOME)
October 19th	Bingo...(Open Meeting..PLEASE COME)
November 14th	Victorian Costume....Marian Atkinson.
November 23rd	Pie, Pickles and Bingo. (Open meeting...(ALL WELCOME)
December 12th	Musical Evening...Newark Operatic Society.

The membership has increased this year and the institute will welcome further new members. If you are interested do come along to any of the meetings or contact Mrs Jan Phillips. Tel. 72900.

Seasonal Bits

Please to remember the Fifth of November
Gunpowder, Treason and Plot
We know no reason why gunpowder treason
Should ever be forgot.

(Traditional since 17th C.)

Guy Fawkes: was a Yorkshire Catholic, one of a band which conspired to kill King James 1 and his ministers on Nov. 5th 1605, to avenge the harsh treatment of Roman Catholics. Barrels of gunpowder were secreted in the vaults of the Houses of Parliament. The plot was discovered, the conspirators were arrested and executed.

Seasonal Recipes (Well, great for Bonfire Night!)

Treacle Toffee

1 lb demerera sugar	Butter a 12 by 4 inch or 7 inch square
1/4 pint of water	tin. Dissolve the sugar and water in a
3 oz butter	heavy based pan over a low heat. Add
1/4 tsp. cream of tartar	the remaining ingredients and bring to
4 oz black treacle	the boil. Boil to 270 degrees F. (soft
4 oz golden syrup	crack stage). Pour into tin, cool for
	five mins., then mark into squares and
	leave to set. Makes 1 1/4 lbs approx.

Toffee Apples

1 lb demerera sugar	Put the sugar, butter, vinegar, water
2 oz butter	and syrup into a heavy based pan. Heat
2 tsps. vinegar	gently until sugar has dissolved and
1/4 pint water	then boil rapidly for 5 mins, until
1 tbsp. golden syrup	temp. reaches 290 degrees F. (soft
6 - 8 medium sized apples	crack stage). Wipe apples and push
6 - 8 wooden sticks	sticks into cores. Dip apples into
	toffee, coat apples, then cool on
	baking tray.

ED. Note: Hopefully, there may be a series of seasonal recipes ready for the next issues. Has anybody got any particular favourites that they would like to share with other readers?





(Ps. 122)

We will go into the house of the Lord.

I was glad when they said unto me

Will you come and join us in these acts of worship?

"They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them

MEMORIAL AND OUR ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

6 p.m. SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND LAYING OF WREATH ON THE VILLAGE

9 a.m. Holy Communion

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 12th REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

"God of our Fathers, who of old didst move thy servants in
Coddington to build an house of prayer for the offering of eternal
praises to thy great name: Grant to us, and to all herein who call
upon thy holy name from age to age, that, by the offering of our
lives and the praises of our lips, we may seek to glorify thy name
and further thy kingdom on earth. Amen."

6 p.m.

9 a.m. Holy Communion

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5th

Church at Coddington on this our Patronal Festival.

We invite you to come and join with us in Thanking God for our

7.30 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1st ALL SAINTS DAY

The Parish Church of ALL SAINTS, CODDINGTON

Out-Takes

"How come there's only one Monopolies Commission".

"Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it whether it exists or not, diagnosing it incorrectly, and applying the wrong remedy."

(At what level are we talking?! Parish Councillors are not allowed to comment!!)

Final thought(s) of the day:

"A lot of people have been through the same experiences as Noah."

"The world is their oyster - once they join "Vegetarian Matchmakers"

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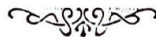
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