



Community News September 2006

New Community Centre is progressing well



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CODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MEETINGS DATES FOR 2006

DATE:

Thursday, 7th September 2006

Thursday, October 5th 2006

Thursday 2nd November 2006

VENUE:

Coddington Village Hall

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

CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

If you would like to book the Village Hall for any event or would like any further details.

Please contact: Clerk Mrs P Hemphill

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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 is circulated to every household in the village (at present approximately 800 copies are printed). If you are running any activities in Coddington I would welcome any contributions. Adverts of a local nature can be taken at a small charge. I can be contacted on 01636 671424 or by email frankelliott1@hotmail.com

You can also send your contributions to

Frank Elliott, Rest and be Thankful,

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Chairman's Report

Although the Parish council does not have a meeting in August Planning matters and contact with the District Council is still maintained

The Parish Council vacancy has now been filled and I would like to welcome

Mr Richard C Pollard as the new Parish Councillor

As you will no doubt be aware the Weight restriction through the village is now in full operation and whilst this may not be popular with HGV drivers the environment on the C208 has certainly improved .I would like to thank those members of the village who are reporting any lorries that are ignoring the restriction, If you see any HGV that is obviously using the C208 as a shortcut would you please report this with the Name of the Company, Registration Number and time to the Clerk Mrs P Hemphill

The new play area at Thorpe Oaks is now being well used although we did have an instance of vandalism when a section of the steel fencing was partly unbolted and bent over . It has been noticed that parents cars have been driven across the green and parked next to the play area to allow the children to play on the equipment.

The Parish Council requests that cars are parked on the road and not taken across the green

The new Community Centre is now nearing completion and we can look foreword to the opening being organized by the Community Centre Management Committee

The street numbering project carried out by N&SDC and the Parish Council is now complete and all properties involved have been notified. **The Parish Council request that if you have a new number you display this where it can be read from the road. This project has been carried out to enable the emergency services to find premises quickly especially at night when there is no one about to give them local knowledge. It would be a tragedy if an ambulance could not reach a patient in time because a number was not displayed**

Frank Elliott (Chairman, Coddington Parish Council)

COMMUNITY POLICING

Let me introduce myself. I am Pc 1868 Richard Wood and I have just taken over this 'Beat' as your local community Beat Manager. I am currently the Beat Manager for the Collingham area and have taken this beat in addition to that area. I have over 26 years experience in Nottinghamshire Police and have always been stationed at Newark Police Station and have patrolled this area on and off for many years as a mobile officer. My work now is to be in the community and the following article is the basis of my role. **Safer Neighbourhoods**. I am now a member of the **Safer Neighbourhood Police Team** based at Newark Police Station under Sgt Tim Burch; this team has been set to improve the quality of life in the area. The Police members are Beat Managers who have been established in an area for some time. The area I am responsible for has increased to include Beacon and Coddington, so in reality my 'patch' is from London Road, Newark through the area and up Beacon Hill to Coddington (and Barnby-in-the-Willows) and the County Boundary near Beckingham. This is in addition to my normal 'patch' of everything from the Winthorpe roundabout, through Collingham to Nth & Sth Clifton, Thorney and Harby. My shifts have been changed and I work days and 'afters' only and will not perform response duties or prisoner handling so I will be committed to the community for the vast majority of the time. My shifts have been reduced to an 8 hour tour of duty which has resulted in fewer days off so I will be away from the 'Beat' for 2 or 3 days at the most, (except annual leave of course).

The Newark and Sherwood Community Safety Partnership is committed to establish Safer Neighbourhoods in the area. The Safer Neighbourhood Team consists of local people who meet on a regular basis to try and identify local problems and then devise a strategy to tackle them. I and Mrs. Lynn Pallet who is the Anti-Social Behaviour Officer for N&SDC jointly chair the group. We have already had a meeting with the Northern Safer Neighbourhood Group for Collingham and the villages north of Collingham, and also with the Central Safer Neighbourhood Group that is based at the moment in Coddington and includes the villages around Coddington and the Beacon Hill area of Newark. We plan to meet every 8 weeks and rotate the venue for the meetings to make the travelling fairer to the members.

The group consists of local Parish Councillors, Neighbourhood Watch and Tenants and Residents Association representatives. The Group will expand as we go along and will include any other interested party who could make a contribution. If a problem is highlighted where the Group needs assistance from an outside body, then a representative of that body would be invited to the meeting and a 'plan' drawn up to tackle that particular problem. It's early days yet and we are the first in the area to take up this challenge, so watch this space.

Pc 1868 Richard Wood. Newark Police Station. 01636 605999, ext 8868.
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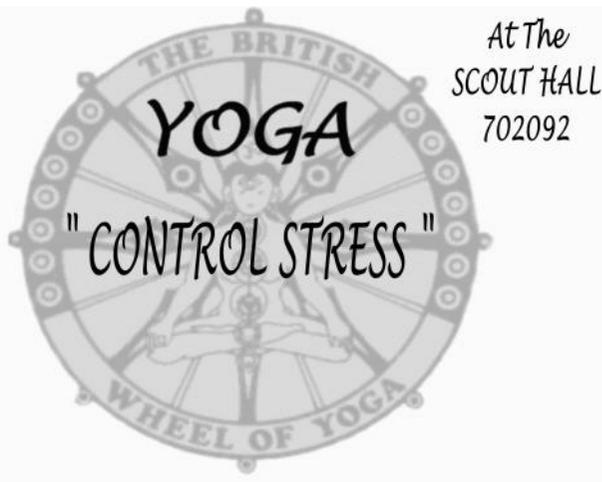
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HEARTLINK CHARITY NIGHT

Bank Holiday Monday saw the first local Heartlink Charity Night. Organised by residents of Bryans Close, the event was originally billed for Coddington Community Centre. However, we had to find another venue at late notice, as it wasn't going to be finished in time. The Magnus Sports Centre came to our rescue and over 170 people turned up to support the event. Headlining the event was a local band, UNMARKED, who performed two sessions, in between which was a disco by DJ Corky. The lead vocalist, Mark Carlin, agreed the band would play without charge to boost profits for the charity. A raffle was held, and two children's bikes were auctioned on the night. Other entertainment included a torso waxing (thanks to Liam Smith for volunteering and to Hannah Jex-Thompson for inflicting the pain!). The evening raised a grand total of one thousand pounds. All profits will be donated to Heartlink Children's Charity, based at Glenfield Hospital in Leicester. The money will be put towards their current appeal for a 4D scanner. The charity was chosen as it has helped, and continues to support, Aaron Simons, age 5. The charity raises money to buy hospital equipment to help children with congenital heart disease. All names mentioned are residents of Bryans Close, Coddington. Thank you to all those from the Close that helped as well as Sam, Sandy and Dave and staff from the Magnus Sports Centre. Thanks as well to Activo & Xperience Leisure for sponsoring the event, to the band, UNMARKED and to everyone who supported us and made it the success it was.

Lisa Cobb



VILLAGE HALL

What will happen to the Village Hall when the Community Centre opens?' is what some people are asking. The answer is nothing, at least not for the time being.

As I understand, the ground that the Hall stands on was donated by Harold Thorpe and Ronald Chauntry Hunt and is held in trust by the Official Custodian for Charities Commissioners.

The corrugated iron part was built by the Thorpe family and presented to the Village for recreational purposes.

The main timber Hall was built in the early fifties, with money raised by village residents – some are still around today.

The village people will not sacrifice the Village Hall if they are not sure what is on offer at the Community Centre.

It would be ideal for everyone to use the same venue; giving the opportunity to meet other people from the village, but facilities need to be suitable and affordable.

The Village Hall Committee has a commitment to run the Hall in the usual way unless circumstances dictate otherwise.

At the end of the day, it will be the Village people who decide the future of the Village Hall. Your views are welcome

Bernard Allen (Chairman of Coddington Village Hall Committee)

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH CODDINGTON

Summer Fair

The Summer Fair was opened by Reverend Christine Eagger. We were lucky with the weather being so lovely on 15th July and from the feedback it appears that everyone really enjoyed themselves. So we would like to say a big thank you to everyone who helped in any way towards the fair. To those who gave their time to man the stalls etc, to those who donated prizes, and to all those who came and supported us.

A special thanks to all the children from Coddington C of E Primary School who entered the art competition. They were asked to produce a picture by drawing, painting or collage on the theme of water. We had some wonderful entrants from all age groups ranging from 4-5 year olds to the 10-11 year olds. Judges from both the school and the church found it extremely difficult to decide on winners, because of the high standard of entries. The only solution was to have 1st, 2nd and Highly Commended places in all age groups. Reverend Sylvia Stevens presented 11 pupils with a special award of art materials, and all other entrants received a gift. The pictures were then displayed in the church and will be displayed in school at the start of the new term in September.

Due to everyone's wonderful efforts and generosity, the fair was a huge success and raised a record amount of £1110 for church funds.

Talking of church funds.....

Coffee Mornings

So far this year, we have held 4 coffee mornings in church raising £332.80 for church funds. Our last one for this year will be on 9th September, from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

However, the bell ropes are in urgent need of replacement and will cost in excess of £1000. Special Coffee mornings will be held in church on 23rd September and 21st October to help raise the money needed for this purpose.

On these dates, do come and join us for a cup of coffee, and a friendly chat. Perhaps purchase one of our delicious home made cakes or a lovely plant for your garden and maybe get lucky on the raffle!

Please note that at the event being held at the Inn on the Green Coddington on 26th August, the church bellringers will have a cake stall. Money raised from the sale of the cakes will go to the cost of the bell ropes.

Where does the money go?

Leaking Roof We now have a serious leak in the roof. Mops and buckets were needed in great quantity last weekend, when we found a two inch puddle in the North Aisle. Pew cushions were soaked, and we have had to move pews to gain access to the wet floor. We need to inspect the damage and assess what repairs need to be carried out. We are hoping that it can be repaired quickly.

Carpet We have been experiencing problems for some time with the carpets in church. They are rubber backed and draw the moisture out of the tiles underneath. This results in a build up of salt which is difficult to remove. We have obtained quotes for new carpet to be fitted, with the correct backing, which we hope will alleviate the problem. This could cost anywhere between £1200 to £2000.

War Memorial If you have been in the church, you may have noticed that the war memorial is coming away from the wall. We have obtained quotes for putting this right which will be in the region of £1300.

Church Surgery

The church now holds its own surgery on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month for dealing with Baptism and Wedding Requests. The surgery is open from 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. in church.

Pastoral Care

If you or anyone you know is in trouble, is lonely or ill, or just wishes for a sympathetic listener to spend a little time with them, please contact:

Church wardens	Hugh Daybell	702197
	Joyce Allen	703360 or
	Mike Bache	674741

Mike will be licensed as a Lay Reader in Southwell Minster on 7th October at 10.30 a.m. If anyone would like to attend this service, they will be most welcome. Mike has been studying for the past 3 years, and the church would like to wish Mike all the very best in his forthcoming ministry. Mike will be preaching at the Harvest Festival service on the 8th October.

The Vicarage

We would like to welcome the Reverend Tim Pownall-Jones to the vicarage in Coddington. Tim is Curate to the Parish church of St Mary's, Newark, and as such does not have any parish duties at Coddington. Therefore, any enquiries (other than Baptisms and Weddings) with regard to Coddington church should still be addressed to Reverend Tony Tucker at Balderton, (telephone 01636 704811) or our churchwardens Hugh and Joyce.

Special Events

It may be early, but we are already planning our Christmas Fair, to be held on 18th November. Look for our separate advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Thanksgiving and Remembrance Service

Not to be confused with Remembrance Sunday, this is a special occasion for anyone who may have lost a member of their family or a dear friend. If you would like to remember them and give thanks for their lives, please come along to this service to be held on 22nd October at 6.00 p.m.

Special Services

8 th October	Harvest Festival
22 nd October	Thanksgiving and Remembrance Service
29 th October	Family Service
29 th October	Joint Evensong with Barnby and Balderton at Barnby
12 th November	Remembrance Sunday
10 th December	Children's Carol Service
24 th December	Christmas Carol Melody
25 th December	Christmas Family Eucharist
31 st December	Family Service

FORTHCOMING SERVICES

3 rd September	Holy Communion	10.30 a.m.
10 th September	Evening Prayer	6.00 p.m.
17 th September	Holy Communion	6.00 p.m.
24 th September	Evening Prayer	6.00 p.m.
1 st October	Holy Communion	10.30 a.m.
8 th October	Harvest Festival	6.00 p.m.
15 th October	Holy Communion	6.00 p.m.
22 nd October	Thanksgiving and Remembrance	6.00 p.m.
29 th October	Family Service	3.00 p.m.
29 th October	Joint Evensong at Barnby	6.00 p.m.
5 th November	Holy Communion	10.30 a.m.
12 th November	Remembrance Sunday	6.00 p.m.
19 th November	Holy Communion	6.00 p.m.
26 th November	Evening Prayer	6.00 p.m.
3 rd December	Holy Communion	10.30 a.m.
10 th December	Children's Christmas Carol Service	3.00 p.m.
10 th December	Evening Prayer	6.00 p.m.
17 th December	Holy Communion	6.00 p.m.
24 th December	Christmas Carol Melody	6.00 p.m.
24 th December	Midnight Mass at Barnby	11.30 p.m.
25 th December	Family Christmas Eucharist	10.00 a.m.
31 st December	Family Service	3.00 p.m.
31 st December	Joint Evensong TBA	6.00 p.m.

All Saints' Church

Coddington



CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 18th November
From 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm

In the village hall

Raffles, Games, Gifts,
Cake Stall, Competitions,
Tombola and much more.

GOLDEN GARDEN COMPETITION 2006 - THE RESULT

As usual the winners from last year were invited to judge this year's competition and as usual had a difficult job deciding on just three winners - six were close contenders but finally we chose the winners. In alphabetical order (we couldn't possibly choose first, second and third!) they are:

Jean Batten and John Bennett, 23 Post Office Row, Main St

Such a lovely garden in such a small space, well laid out with cottage garden style planting and a garden seat creating plenty of interest which must give pleasure to the many people who walk past.

Nancy and Ralph Sleight, 1 Morgan's Close

This garden brought smiles from all of us, gnomes, flying flags and ornamental animals peeking out from well stocked borders. We all knew that this garden looks good all year round and is lovingly tended for many hours. Again a garden that many people walk past and enjoy each time.

23 Old Hall Gardens.

There is much of interest in this walled front garden, different textures, plants and good ideas. The combination of grass, gravel, slate and bamboo worked extremely well. Specimen plants and well stocked borders made it one of our winners.

A special thanks to those who entered their back gardens in the competition - not so many this year (where were you all?)

Well done everyone - I think all the gardens we looked at were pleasant but special mention must be made of a few (in numerical order this time!):

4 Old Newark Rd had the neatest of vegetable gardens at the back and lots of interest at the front with two water features and an impressive shrub border whilst 4 Penswick Gardens was very neat and colourful. We very much liked 5 Balderton Lane's back garden which was well laid out with a "tunnel" under a cedar tree and a secret viewing platform to take advantage of the excellent view that these properties have of the moat and field. There were also two very impressive pots of hostas - surrounded by saucer "moats" which stopped the snails - good idea. Unfortunately we saw it too late for the wisteria and laburnum which would have made it stunning.

On Thorpe Oaks we admired 15 Bristol Close - another very small front garden but packed with plants. 22 Old Hall Gardens also merited closer inspection as did 22 Thorpe Close.

It was a pleasure to walk around the village and see such pleasing gardens - this made our decision very difficult indeed.

Isobel Turner (Parish Councillor) and judges Mrs J. Mastin, Mr and Mrs Johnson.

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NEWS FROM CODDINGTON CRICKET CLUB

By the time you have read this Coddington Cricket Club would have completed its first season on the Sunday friendly circuit with many great strides taken forward, some excellent wins under our belts and many a great tea consumed.

The latest match saw a Coddington 11 travel to Osmaston on bank holiday Sunday 28th August with the team beating the Derbyshire Village by 52 runs. This was in particular a fantastic team effort with the batsman posting 155 in 35 overs for the loss of just 3 wickets. The bowlers then took over and ensured that the Osmaston were rattled out with 2 overs to spare. Highlights were Nick Perrett scoring 48 and Lee Parsons hitting a quick fire 33 before retiring. Dave Wilcox and Stuart Buchan then hit 26 and 24 respectively not out.

The idea of the club was to provide a social outlet and fun for all regardless of age and cricketing ability, this has been achieved and the many smiling faces and friends we have made from other local clubs on Sundays this summer means that our ambitions and targets for season one have been more than exceeded.

With the season over and the winter months upon us you would expect the cricket club to hibernate. However, a new recruitment drive will take place for next season, fund raising will become a priority as we look to secure a ground in the village and winter nets will start in January so that we can fine tune the team for a second season.

The next fund raising event will be a Race night on Saturday 28th October in the new community Centre, please see our advert elsewhere in the Coddington Community News for full details. We hope to see as many of you as possible at this and the other social events we will be planning.

In the meantime if you are interested in playing, scoring, umpiring or getting involved with any part of the club next season then please contact **Lee Parsons on 01636 705101** we would be delighted to welcome you along.

Coddington Cricket Club Present

Supper & Race Night



Saturday 28th October 2006
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CODDINGTON HISTORY GROUP

James Thorpe 28th August 1823 – 13th July 1902

For nearly 60 years, the Thorpe Family were major benefactors in Coddington, and made a significant input into the development of the village, after James Thorpe purchased Beaconfield House and surrounding Estate in about 1840. In the 1870's it became known as Coddington Hall. The Hough family in the 1960's were given the contract to demolish Coddington Hall. The House/Hall was situated in what is now Beaconfield Drive with the Thorpe Oak Estate built on part of the Parkland, which surrounded the house.

James Thorpe the 3rd, the only son of James and Ann Thorpe, was born 28th August 1823 at Newark. On the 1841 census James snr lived in Mill Gate, Newark; his occupation being corn merchant and maltster. Also living in the house was his wife Anne and their son James jnr. The family moved to Beaconfield House, Coddington shortly before James snr died in 1843. Before he died, James snr made extensive alterations and improvements to this stately home; he also planted the "Yew Wood" in 1841. The estate in Coddington was very large, and included 234 acres of farm and Parkland; houses and a public house. James snr had built up a very prosperous business in Mill Gate, Newark as a wharfinger, maltster and coal merchant. James jnr was only 19 when his father died, and quickly had to accustom himself to being the owner of a large country house, as well as becoming a responsible businessman.

Like his father he was talented and energetic. He and his uncle formed a partnership, and their business became known as "John and James Thorpe". They were Maltsters, Corn Merchants and Millers (Newark Water & Steam Mills). James joined the Sherwood Rangers in about 1849, passing through various grades of Cornet, Lieutenant, Captain, and Major and becoming Lieutenant Colonel in 1881. He retired with the rank of Honorary Colonel in 1882.

In about 1850, James, aged 26, married Mary Ann Spence, aged 22, from Tidworth, Yorks. He had a new house built for his recently widowed mother, Anne, near the church; and named it "Coddington House".

Gradually he assumed a major role as a local landowner and, by now, he became known as "The Squire".

On the 1851 census, he lived in Coddington, and his occupation was listed as 'merchant'. Also living in the house was his wife Mary Ann, three visitors and six servants. On the 1861 census, his occupation was listed as 'corn merchant and maltster'. Also living in the house was his wife Mary Ann and six servants. In the 1863 valuation list, the firm owned in Newark a tan yard, sheds, house, shop, offices, flour warehouse, coal yard, coach house, stables etc. and several maltings.

In 1864, he spent £2000 virtually rebuilding Coddington church, employing the London architect Bodley who employed the young William Morris and Firm to decorate the interior.

Unfortunately his wife Mary remained childless, and became an invalid before dying in Buxton on the 28th August 1868, after a long and severe illness. She was buried in a family tomb in Coddington churchyard.

By the 1871 census, James 47, had married (in 1869) Annie McDougal, 24, who was born in Argyllshire. They had a son, James IV, born in August 1870 at St. Georges, London. Sadly he died in 1873. They soon had another son, John Sommerled Thorpe, followed by another 8 children: -Harold, William, Gervase, Muriel, Cicely, Helen Mary, Archibald James and Elspeth Margaret. By 1872, James was a County Magistrate, High Sheriff, a JP and D.L in Argyllshire. He was greatly interested in farming and forestry; had a fine herd of Lincoln Red Shorthorns, and was also interested in Horticulture and Floriculture.

James's mother, Ann, died on the 22nd June 1877, aged 86, and was also buried in the family tomb in Coddington churchyard. Eventually Coddington House was sold to the Tallents family. Around this time, James changed the name of his stately home from "Beaconfield House" to "Coddington Hall". James's unmarried uncle, John, died at his home, Elston Hall, on the 15th August 1881. His personal estate was £500,000 and James Thorpe was the sole Executor. John left bequests to his sisters and many family relatives.

On the 1881 census, his occupation was listed as Maltster and Landowner Farmer of 320 acres, employing 9 men and 3 boys. Also living in Coddington Hall was his wife, Annie, 34, and their children John S 8, Harold 6, William 4, Gervase 3, Muriel 2 and Cicely 10 months, Richmond McDougal (mother in law), Mary Stewart (Niece), Stewart Macrae (cousin) a governess and 13 servants.

From 1881 until at least 1886, James was Chairman of The Newark Hospital Governors. In June 1882, and for several years afterwards, he was President of Coddington Cricket Club.

In March 1885, James began building a Working Men's Reading room on the paddock next to the school. The building was officially opened on the 12th November 1885. (This room is now the kitchen in the village hall).

James was a wealthy businessman with a large estate in Coddington and Ardbrecknish House, Loch Awe, Argyll. His town house was 59, Eaton Place, London; and his club the Junior Carlton.

In 1886, he sold the Flour Mill to Thomas Parnham; and, by now, the Malting business had branches in Louth, Market Rasen, Peterborough and Newark, and was one of the largest in the Midlands.

James Thorpe was always interested in the "Anglican National School" in Coddington, being for many years a school manager. He was present at the school managers meeting on the 23rd March 1883 when a new 23-year-old Headmaster, Joseph Chantry Hunt, was appointed. The Thorpe family treated the school children and their mothers to a half-day out every year, and provided prizes at school events.

In 1891, James financed the building of a church on a hill on the south side of Loch Awe, as a private chapel.

On the 1891 census, he was living at Coddington Hall with his sons: - John 19, Harold 15, William 14, Gervase 13, Archibald 9 daughters:- Helen 6, Elspeth 3 a governess and 7 servants. His wife, Annie, was at their London home with daughters: - Richmond E 12, Cicely 10, 3 visitors and 9 servants.

James Thorpe JP, on the 1901 census, was living at Coddington Hall with his son, Harold 25, and 5 servants. His wife, Annie, was at their London home with her children Archibald 19, Cicely 20, Elspeth 13, Helen 16, Richmond 22 along with 10 servants.

On the 13th July 1902, Col. James Thorpe died at Coddington Hall. His obituary in the "Newark Advertiser" occupied one and a half columns, and contained the words "He was a fine type of English gentleman, honourable and upright". His wife, Annie, and his son, Captain John Somerled Thorpe, were his executors. His will gave his fortune as £213,582-19-7, with personnel estate £162,856-6-1. He left his son Harold one third of the profit and goodwill of the business as a Maltster; and the other two thirds and the capital to his son John Somerled; his son, Gervase, was to have £5,000; and £32,000 was put in trust for his four daughters. The lease of the London House 59, Eaton Place and furniture went to his widow; and his Scottish estate to his "right heir".

This is a précis of articles written by the late Rolf Vernon and members of Coddington History Group.

CODDINGTON HISTORY GROUP.

Our Autumn/Winter programme of speakers will commence in September. Everyone is welcome, talks are generally on the third Thursday of the month and start at 7:30 in the village hall. Admission is £1 including refreshments. We look forward to welcoming you.

21st Sept. 2006. Fred Coupland - Newark Castle dig

19th Oct. 2006. Jim Wishart - Roman history of Farndon.

16th Nov. 2006. David Amos - History of coal mining in Notts.

18th Jan. 2007. Neil Porteus - Clumber Park

16th Feb. 2007. Margaret Harrison - The halls and abbeys owned by Nottingham City

15th March 2007. Jackie Fisher 'As Poor as a Stockinger – Framework Knitting in South Notts.'

20th April 2007 - Peter Hammond - Middens and muck.

17th May 2007 - Eric Houlder - Ship burials of Sutton Hoo.

Isobel Turner Chairman. Tel 708781.

Coddington

It's Official

**Newark and Sherwood
District Council have
been advised that the
new Community Centre
will be complete at the
End of August.**

**The Management Committee are planning a series of events
to commemorate the opening
on**

Saturday September 30th.

**So
Keep an Eye
Open for Details.**

Community Centre

**THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE PUBLISHED IN
DECEMBER COULD YOU PLEASE LET ME HAVE
YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS BY MONDAY 13th
NOVEMBER AT THE LATEST**

IF ANY PARISHIONER WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE
AN ARTICLE OF LOCAL INTEREST FOR INCLUSION IN
THE CODDINGTON COMMUNITY NEWS WOULD YOU
PLEASE CONTACT ME

**Frank Elliott (Editor) Tel.671424 or
email frankelliott1@hotmail.com**

CODDINGTON UNITED CHARITY

Help is available from this Trust for Coddington residents of any age group. Land and money has been left in the past for the benefit of villagers, and income from this can be used to provide financial aid to anyone needing help with mobility, school uniforms, books, or with household repairs or replacements etc. The Trust is administered by local trustees in strictest confidence Applicants should apply in writing to the Clerk, Mr Alasdair Morrison, Kirkgate, Newark, or any Trustee Trustees

Mrs M Molloson

Mrs I Allen

Mr J Bartley

Mrs P Mumby

Mr M Clark

Mrs P Bartley (Chairman)

OVER 55's LEISURE GROUP

Things are moving along nicely with our happy outfit. We have 28 members who help to make Friday afternoons a very enjoyable session.

At the beginning of August a coach trip was arranged to go to Hull, which included a visit to "The Deep", which lived up to its fast growing reputation as a wondrous view of life of what the sea contains therein.

Shortly when the new Community Centre opens we as a group will be testing the water with fingers crossed

James Bell (Secretary) Tel: 674574

CODDINGTON W I

Since the last Community News, the major event for the W.I. has been the Open Garden Day on 25th June. That Sunday was one of the early, hot, sunny days and the gardens were still green and colourful and the visitors were not suffering from 'heat exhaustion'. Seven Members' gardens were open and all were different and all were beautiful. As well as the gardens, plant, book and cake stalls, a childrens' butterfly hunt' and delicious cream teas all added to the enjoyment. The whole event was a great success and very well supported. Thank you to everyone who came and joined us. Some £500 was raised and this has been divided between the Coddington Tigers, the Rainbows, the Brownies, the Scouts and the new Community Centre. So as well as giving pleasure to many, the event also gave a little help to organisations in our village. In July the W.I. members had a fascinating talk on the history of post-cards by Mr Vennett-Smith. Some of the cards, particularly those of the Art Deco period, were works of art and the social history depicted by some of the cards was really interesting.

The August meeting took the form of a visit to the Newark Museum Store on Brunel Drive. Apart from the hundreds of artefacts stored on three floors, members were especially interested in old photographs of Coddington and the collection of works by local artists, Nicolson, Cubley and Kiddy.

As well as our regular meetings, members have enjoyed walks around Upton, Morton and Carlton-on-Trent, all, of course, finishing with a pub lunch. In September a supper is planned at the Friendly Farmer and in October a theatre visit to Averham has been arranged. The annual Quiz Night will be held on the 28th October. This is a very popular event and posters will be appearing in due course.

The next meeting of the W.I. is at 7.30pm on 12th September at the Village Hall when Mrs Sandra Fearn will talk on her life as an antique dealer .

The October meeting will be on the 10th, the subject being ' Life and other problems' - sounds interesting!

On the 14th November, Miss Jane Appleton will tell us about the work of the PDSA. If anyone would like to come and join us at any of these meetings, they would be made very welcome.

Mary Molloson

Coddington Tenants and Residents Association

The Tenants and Residents Association of Coddington was formed in July 2005 and we represent the whole of the village both Council and privately owned properties. We aim to liaise with Newark and Sherwood Homes and other Agencies in an effort to get things done in the village. Up to now our committee has been basically Wellgreen based but we do hope to broaden its membership in the future. We have liaised with NSH to get trees and shrubs in the village pruned and also in the matters of painting the exteriors of council properties and getting extra drainage on the corner of Drove Lane to prevent flooding. We put in bids to the Community Investment Fund and were successful in getting a new path, benches and a sundial on Wellgreen, also funding for a Community Garden there. We also received funding from Coddington United Charities in respect of the latter project. We are very grateful to both sources for their support. We held a summer fair in June which was very successful. Also we had a raffle at our AGM which made £50 to be sent to the Air Ambulance, and ran a stall at the Inn on The Green Fun Day which raised £40 to be donated to the fund for the repair of the church bell ropes.

If you have any ideas for projects which we may undertake in the future we would be very grateful to hear from you. I am the Secretary of the Association and can be contacted on 01636 706461 or e-mail: gill.burgess1@tiscali.co.uk.

Gill Burgess.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The ringmaster scheme is well up and running, and the communication between the control centre and the coordinators is good, but to get the maximum benefit from the scheme we could make use of email technology to get information around the village fast.

Burglary and car crime is not something that happens only to other people.

If crimes are being committed in our area it is better to be aware and take extra care.

IF YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS AND WOULD LIKE TO BE KEPT INFORMED OF ANY CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES IN CODDINGTON PLEASE EMAIL FRANK ELLIOTT OR ANY COORDINATOR AND ASK TO BE PUT ON THE CIRCULATION LIST YOU WILL NOT BE CONTACTED WITH ANY OTHER INFORMATION ONLY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Anyone who is not on the Internet will be contacted by Fax, Phone or personal contact by your coordinator. **If you are not being contacted by any of the above means please ring Wendy Parrett Tel. 672686 or Frank Elliott Tel. 671424.**

We still require coordinators in the following areas, BALDERTON LANE and Coddington residents in the NEW-BURY RD AREA. If you would like to become a coordinator please contact **Mrs Wendy Parrett Tel: 672687**

Will all co-ordinators please check that your details opposite are correct and notify Wendy of any changes i.e email addresses etc.

Neighbourhood Watch

All the co-ordinators are listed below

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IF YOUR AREA IS NOT LISTED
AND YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A
CO-ORDINATOR PLEASE CON-
TACT WENDY PARRETT

If you are out walking or driving in the village and see anyone suspicious or an unfamiliar vehicle please make a note and report to **Wendy (01636 672687)** or your co-ordinator

**INVITATION TO THE INAUGURAL MEETING
OF THE
DIABETES UK GROUP at NEWARK HOSPITAL**

**On SEPTEMBER 11th at 4pm
IN THE BOARD ROOM**

Supported by Dr Fernando,(who will address the meeting
and diabetic Nurse Diane Page

A representative of Diabetes UK will also address the meeting

All Diabetes sufferers,their families and friends are welcome

We will need input in the planning stages of the group on Procedure,aims, dates,
times, talks, social activity etc.

WE look forward to seeing you at the first meeting
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1st Coddington Scout Group

Your local Scout Group is thriving and all sections are busy with activities throughout the summer. For us to keep this going, we need to have more adult leaders, and would appreciate any volunteers even on an ad hoc basis. At present we have 3 groups – Beavers (aged 6 – 8), Cubs (aged 8 – 10) and Scouts (aged 10 – 14). We are one of the most successful Scout Groups in the county, and we want this to continue. If you are interested and would like to find out how you can help your local Scout Group, or if you have a child interested in joining please contact me on the following:

Laura Bennett (Group Scout Leader)
01636 700662 (evenings) or e-mail – LauraD1969@hotmail.com

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The Parish council provide notice boards at the following locations

Corner Newark Rd/Lancaster Rd

The Village Hall

Well Green

If you want to advertise an event in the village please contact The parish Clerk

SCOUTS

The Group is thriving and all sections are doing the usual activities. We have still a shortage of adult leaders and would appreciate any volunteers even on an ad hoc arrangement. The sole requirement for leader is a check with police records {CRB}. There is no cost to the individual, as all costs are met by the Group. This includes any training costs incurred. We look forward to seeing new faces helping out and supporting this very worthwhile youth movement.

Dave Hedge (Committee Member)

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

Coddington village will have a speed camera for back for September, and at the same time there will be monitoring of the heavy goods vehicles by the volunteers. Anybody interested in helping please contact

Mike Clark 706785

WELL GREEN COMMUNITY CLUB

Every year at Wellgreen we have a Bingo in aid of a local good cause When we heard that members of All Saints Church Bell tower were raising funds for new Bell Ropes we decided to make that our effort for this year

Thanks to the generosity of members who gave prizes and came and supported the Bingo we made £200, a good start for a worthy cause, after all the Bells are part of Coddington Heritage. Any donations to help keep this can be handed to Peter or Barbara Arkley at the church or passed to any member of the Well Green Community Club who will collect and forward

Our members have enjoyed two trips out, one to Stockwell Mill for tea (well worth a visit) then in August we went to Ferry Farm. Ideal day out for children, where we had lunch with everything home cooked

We are now looking to two more trips before Xmas when we will be going out for Xmas dinner

Isabel Allen (Social Secretary)

MOBILE LIBRARY

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8	Coddington	Balderton Lane Ardbreknish Bungalow	12.45	12.55
9	Coddington	Stapleford Lane Wooden Houses	1.05	1.15
10	Coddington	The Green -Main St	1.25	1.55
11	Coddington	Ross Close	2.00	2.20
12		Bus Shelter Main St	2.25	2.35
13		Parklands Close Old Newark Rd	2.40	2.50
14	Coddington	Old Hall Gardens	2.55	3.05
15	Coddington	Penswick Grove	3.10	3.21
	Coddington	Old Newark Rd Cul-de-sac	3.30	3.40
17	Coddington	Beaconsfield Drive	3.45	4.00
18	Coddington	Brownlows Hill "Valley View" Cottage	4.05	4.20

Dates 2006

September 13th	27th	October 11th	25th
November 8th	22nd	December 6th	20th



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