



J.N.C.

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Dear Reader,

Loveliest of trees, the cherry now  
Is hung with bloom along the bough,  
And stands about the woodland ride  
Wearing white for Eastertide.

The Spring edition, marginally late, unlike the blossom in the hedgerows .... But can anyone explain the significance of a blackthorn spring?

Editorial thanks for those who have contributed to this edition, and thanks for the letters and responses received concerning the CCN 574.

We do hope to reach all 560 houses in the village so we can promote activities, and it does appear that there is a genuine interest in the happenings of the village, so somebody (!) is reading the editions.

Thus, we canvass your support for the newsletter by reminding readers and all interested parties that all contributions are gratefully received. The more the better.

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And finally, about the Poll Tax?!!

Have you heard about the Isle of Wight student who received a Community Charge demand for £ 1.514 million. Or the unfortunate bus traveller who was presented with a Poll Tax demand by a postman as he waited at a bus stop in Maidstone. It was addressed to The Occupier, Bus Stop, Maidstone, Kent. So we think we have problems!



## C O D D I N G T O N P A R I S H C O U N C I L

Since the last issue of the C.C.N. the Parish Council has begun its tree planting scheme, with the help of the local Scouts and Cubs and schoolchildren doing D. of E. community service. Approximately 70 trees were planted on Balderton Lane, Valley View, Drove lane, the Almshouses and on the Harvey Avenue Estate. Hopefully, the remaining batch, of about 100+, will be made available for planting in the Autumn.

The Housing Survey, see C.C.N. Vol 5 No 3, and Parish Council comments has been sent to the District Council and local representative.

The Parish Council have received many favourable comments as to the work of Mr. Hessey, the village Litter Warden. However, it is acknowledged that a lot of work still needs to be done. The Parish Council have purchased some "Topsy" letter box bins, to be located near the school and the P.O./ local shop.

NOTE: 1990 has been designated "TIDY BRITAIN YEAR", and the Parish Council will be actively pursuing a Campaign against litter, within the Parish area.

The Parish Council have decided to continue pressing for improvements on the Drove Lane / A17 crossing, inspite of the rather indifferent responses received from the Dept. of Transport to our concerns. Support is growing - Winthorpe P.C., Collingham P.C. and Newark Chamber of Commerce, our local County Councillor, Mrs A. Yates, and our local M.P., Mr. Alexander have all pledged their support for action. We may yet be successful.

Another issue which has come to the Parish Council's attention is dog fouling. The District Council have sent a briefing note regarding the dangers of Toxocariasis, a disease that can be transmitted from dog faeces to humans. Children are particularly susceptible to the infection, which can result in the loss of sight or worse (See "Environmental Health" Feb 1976) The problem that is being highlighted is dog fouling of public open spaces and playing areas.

DOG OWNERS SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR DOGS AND THAT IF THEY ALLOW THEIR ANIMALS TO FOUL PUBLIC AREAS OR CAUSE A NUISANCE IT IS WITHIN THE POWER OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY TO PROSECUTE.

More to the point: OUR CHILDREN MIGHT BE PUT AT RISK.

It was reported to the Parish Council that a number of the occupiers of Council allotments have terminated their leases. There are therefore a number of allotment spaces available for rent at reasonable rates. If anyone is interested they should contact Mr. B. Allen (tel. 703360) in the first instance.

## WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

### CODDINGTON W.I.

At the December meeting members were entertained by Newark Operatic Society Concert Party to a colourful and lively show. The singing and costumes were much admired. Mrs Kay Lee whose husband is one of the singers gave a vote of thanks and coffee and mince pies made by committee members were served.

A social evening was held on 18th December at the home of Mrs Gillian Southgate when a buffet was served and an auction raised £42 for institute funds.

On January 9th Mr Melvyn Mallet, Production Manager, British Sugar Newark, spoke about the sugar beet industry and illustrated today's manufacturing processes from the arrival of loads of sugar beet to the despatch of bags of sugar. Cattle feed is an important by-product.

A pleasant evening was had at "Chesters" on January 27th when 27 members met for a meal.

On 13th February Mrs Ramsbottom talked about the history and work of the W. R.V.S. in Newark from the time of the 1914 - 1918 war. After the last war the service was granted the title of Royal. Mrs Pat Mumby, area organiser showed slides of activities including two libraries and a luncheon club in the Newark area. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs Edna Woolliams.

Mrs Kay Lee won a competition for an attractive plastic carrier bag.

#### Future Events:

April 10th	Four Corners
May 8th	A.G.M.

In December members were sorry to say good - bye to two committee members. Mrs Joyce Selby who has moved to Leicestershire and Mrs Elizabeth Creed who is now in Norfolk.

The W.I. are looking for more new members. If you are interested do come to one of the meetings. You will be most welcome, or contact Mrs Jan Philips Tel. 72900.





## "OPERATION VILLAGE TREE PLANT"

The enthusiasm and response to the Parish Council's "Tree Planting Project" has been tremendous, particularly from the children of Coddington C. of E. School.

Here are just a few excerpts from some of the many many letters that have been received:

"We be most co-operative and wear the right clothing."

"...small trees would be better, like blossom trees. I like the pink blossom."

"I've planted a conker tree once."

"We will wear boots, gloves, coat and a yellow hat."

"I've planted plants before in my back garden."

"It will make Coddington and other places nice and bright"

"I don't exactly live in Coddington so I wouldn't know what it is like." ("but I would still like to be involved")

"I think the best tree to plant is a evergreen tree because it will stay green all year long."

"Where our school is some of the children from our estate climb the trees and I tell them of."

(trees).. "for the toddlers and grown ups as well."

" I think it would be a very good idea because we don't do enough for the environment these days."

"The tree scheme was a brilliant idea."

And this final section really sums it all up:

"All the fourth years are offering to lend a hand. We are all interested in our enviroment and would like to help if possible. This is an ideal opportunity if you would like our help. We could plant, monitor and do research on the trees. We would like to help all we can. If you make a decision please tell us.".....

.....And with all this enthusiasm and offers of help how can this project possibly fail!.....

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS TAKEN AN INTEREST

Ed. Note: It's a pity that the person(s) who broke down the trees at the Almshouses couldn't show as much care and concern !!

R U R A L W A T C H

CAN I TARMAC YOUR DRIVE, HAVE YOU ANY SCRAP, I AM BUYING ANTIQUES,  
CAN I HAVE A DRINK, I WAS JUST IN THE AREA AND I THOUGHT, CAN YOU  
TELL ME WHO LIVES DOWN THE ROAD, IS THIS WHERE MR. SMITH LIVES.

You have all heard all the above by people visiting your premises or people you have caught trespassing on your property. These are the people we want to know about, they are the ones who are responsible for most of the crime that takes place in rural areas. If anyone visits you on whatever pretext please ring us. We are always there, 24 hours a day, and can check out these people. If you take a vehicle number and a description, that is a bonus.

CONTACT US ON NEWARK 605999, or just ring "999" if an emergency and Force Headquarters will pass on the message. HELP US TO HELP YOU.

Pc. 1432 Barry QUIBELL



C R A F T C L A S S E S

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN SOFT - TOYMAKING, BASKETWORK, TAPESTRY AND OTHER NEEDLECRAFTS?

IF SO, ARE YOU AWARE THAT A MIXED CRAFTS CLASS RUNS ON THURSDAYS 2 - 4 PM AT WELLGREEN HOUSE?

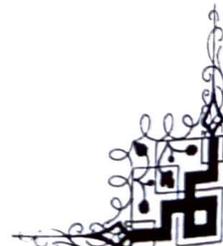
IF YOU ARE IN RECEIPT OF STATE RETIREMENT PENSION (OR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, INCOME SUPPORT, OR ARE REGISTERED DISABLED) YOU CAN ATTEND THE CLASS FOR A FEE OF £2 PER TERM.

NEW CLASS MEMBERS WILL BE MOST WELCOME - IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO LIVE IN THE WELLGREEN COMPLEX TO ATTEND!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE RING SASKIA MILLS ON NEWARK 705921

ex 233

(Ed. note: Classes, like the one above, run by the Technical College and the University are a valuable asset and interest to those who are involved, and yet they are continually under review because they can only run if supported by the village community. They have to recruit a minimal number or the class has to close ..... )



## V I L L A G E H A L L N E W S

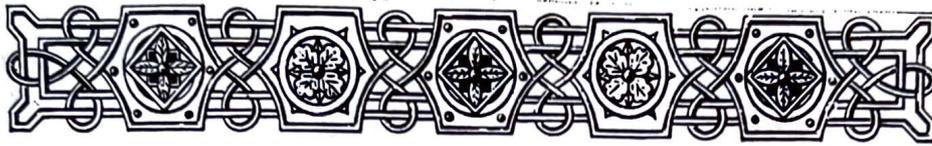
The Village Quiz was held on the 30th January and 6th February. It was a great success.

10 teams entered. The winners in the final were the Parish Council Team and the Scouts team came second.

The competition was great fun and we had two very entertaining evenings.

Many thanks to Karen Marsh and her helpers for organising the event. Also, thank you to all the competitors who took part. We are hoping this will become an annual event.

Village Hall A.G.M. on 24th April at 7.30 p.m.



### TAKE TIME.

Take time to THINK....

It is the source of power.

Take time to PLAY....

It is the secret of perpetual youth.

Take time to READ....

It is the fountain of wisdom.

Take time to PRAY....

It is the greatest power on earth.

Take time to LOVE and

BE LOVED....

It is a God given privilege.

Take time to be FRIENDLY....

It is the road to happiness.

Take time to LAUGH....

It is the music of the soul.

Take time to GIVE....

It is too short a day to be selfish.

Take time to WORK....

It is the price of success.

Take time to DO CHARITY....

It is the key to heaven.

HORSES AND PONIES PROTECTION ASSOCIATION.

Newark Support Group:

Rik Fletcher, manager of the Inn on the Green, and 3 staff members are planning a Parachute jump for H.A.P.P.A. on April 11th, 1990. The team are hoping to raise a large amount of money through sponsorship. All money received by the charity is used for animal welfare eg, cost of feeding, stabling and grazing for all the rescued horses, ponies and donkeys, vet fees and for caring for the invalids, cost of sending inspectors countrywide to investigate reported cases of cruelty and neglect at sales, markets etc.

The Newark group is newly formed and we are looking for support and sponsorship for this event and for a fund raising raffle to be held shortly, prizes are to include a 1.50 litre of Whiskey, a bottle of Kabinett wine, a cuddly toy and other wines and food Hamper. Details are to be found down at the Inn. We are grateful to the staff at the Inn on the Green and hope that other villagers help in our endeavours.

We are also collecting aluminium cans to sell for H.A.P.P.A. Anyone who is willing to save cans for us, come and see me and I can supply a bag and magnet for testing the cans. Thankyou.

Carole Pattison (Secretary Newark Support Group)  
50, Main St,  
Coddington.

Letter to the C.C.N. from Joan Witham

Dear Sir,

I hope I may, through the Coddington Community News, thank all the people of the village who so kindly donated clothing, books, toys, etc. for our recent jumble sale. The Newark and District Hospice Aid Trust relies on such generosity to help towards its target of £112,000, the amount needed to build and equip the unit.

Yours sincerely,

Joan Witham

Letter to the C.C.N. from the Harvey Avenue Tenants' Association

Dear Sir,

All members of the Harvey Avenue Tenants Association wish to thank Mr. Hesse for the good work he is doing by keeping Harvey Avenue Estate so clean and tidy. A hard job done well.

Thank you

Yours sincerely,

M.Purvis (Sec. H.A.E.T.Assoc.)



CODDINGTON PLAYGROUP & RISING 5's.

I am pleased to be given this opportunity to outline the sessions and activities at the Coddington Playgroup.

The Playgroup operates at Coddington Coronation Hall on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, 9.30 - 12.00. Rising 5's sessions on a Friday 9.30 - 11.30 (both in school term time). The age of the children at Playgroup is 3-5 years old and at Rising 5's, 4-5 years old. We have 4 members of staff, myself, Lyn Anderson, Bertha Bakin, Michele Pegg and Belinda Wright. Although the waiting list is full for Playgroup we do have a few vacancies at Rising 5's.

The Playgroup offers the children the chance to play with paint, dough/clay, stickies, vigorous play, domestic play, table toys, books, construction toys, and in the future (thanks to the committee) sand and water. All of these provide the children with a rich and stimulating environment for their emotional, intellectual and physical development.

If anyone would like more information please contact me, Lyn Anderson on Newark 77507 or call in at the Playgroup anytime.

We had our Spring Fair and Easter Bonnet parade on March 31st. The fair consisted of several stalls and games and we raised £126 towards playgroup funds. Thanks must go to all the parents and friends for all their hardwork which made the day a success.

The Easter bonnet parade winners were Craig Allwood and Gemma Cupit. A special thank you to Mrs Mollinson and Mrs Handbury for judging the Parade, and to Mrs Wadsworth for the beautiful piano accompaniment. Finally, many thanks to all the people who turned up to support the event.



T I D Y B R I T A I N Y E A R



YOU MAY ASK WHY BOTHER ABOUT LITTER, BUT REMEMBER:

LITTER IS UGLY, IT DEGRADES OUR CITIES, TOWNS AND COUNTRYSIDE.

IT IS EXPENSIVE TO REMOVE AND DISPENSE OF.

LITTER DIRECTLY AFFECTS TOURISM AND OUR IMAGE AT HOME AND ABROAD.

LITTER IS A REAL DANGER TO WILDLIFE.

LITTER IS UNHEALTHY. IT CAN SPREAD INFECTION AND DISEASE.

LITTER CAN BE A KILLER. IT CONTRIBUTED TO THE 1985 BRADFORD CITY GRANDSTAND FIRE AND THE KINGSCROSS UNDERGROUND INFERNO.

C O D D I N G T O N C H U R C H Y A R D

Our pleas last year for people to help with the mowing and upkeep of the Churchyard met with very little response. To those few who did work so hard we are most grateful. You did a grand job. But we could do with some more help; please come and give a few hours of your time to keep the churchyard nice and tidy. We look forward to seeing you!

The CHURCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in Church on Monday 9th April 7.30 p.m. . For the Elections of Churchwardens, Parochial Church Council, Synod Representatives and Sidepersons.

Those whose names appear on the Church Electoral Roll are entitled to attend, cast their votes and have their say.

John Newbern's Law

People can be divided into three groups:

Those who make things happen;

Those who watch things happen;

And those who wonder what happened.



ALL SAINTS CHURCH: CODDINGTON

HOLY WEEK and EASTER 1920

PALM SUNDAY APRIL 8TH. 9 a.m. Holy Communion. 6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 13th. 7.30 p.m. Evening Service and Devotion.

Jesus said:- " Father forgive them, for they know not what they do"

Could YOU not manage one hour to remember the sadness and sorrow of this day?

Jesus, who gave himself for you

Upon the cross to die.

Opens to you HIS sacred heart:

O to that heart draw nigh.

Will you then move on with us to the Joy and the Wonder Of the Glorious Resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

EASTER DAY APRIL 15th. " Death is swallowed up in victory."

7 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION. 9 a.m. FAMILY COMMUNION. 6 p.m. EVENSONG AND SERMON.

May the joy of Easter fill your hearts and guide you on your way.  
We extend to you a sincere invitation to come and share with us at Coddington Church our Easter Worship.



### 1st. CODDINGTON CUB PACK

The 1st Coddington Cub Pack is now upto 26 members. We have been working on our World Conservation Badge. The boys have learned about the recycling of paper, glass and aluminium. They have also helped with the Blue Peter aluminium can collection.

Four Cubs - Mark Arkwell, Julian Fletcher, Steven Adshead and Matthew Basford, took part in the Harvey Avenue Tree Planting scheme, helping with all the tasks and planting a variety of trees.

Three boys attended a special Sixer's Council at 1st Balderton.

The cubs and Beavers are going on a trip to Butlin's Funcoast in May and we have a very busy programme of Scouting events throughout the Summer, including two camps and competitions

On the weekend of the 31st the older Sixers organised an expedition and took three younger cubs. They did tracking, compass work and ended the day by making a fire and producing a hot drink. These tasks and the completion of a survival shelter finished off their Explorers Proficiency Badge.

Sunday, April 1st was WOMBLE CLEAN UP DAY, at Walesby Camp and Coddington Cubs were responsible for the emptying, scrubbing and refilling of the ornamental pond outside the Office and preparing the garden which will be planted later.

Over the next few months we will be having a number of fund raising events, including a Treasure Hunt, Race Evening, Charity Cake Stall (On Newark Market) and our September Fayre.

### CODDINGTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL ASSOCIATION

Football 1st team: Although having a limited number of players throughout the season, manager, Dave Duddles has, nevertheless, kept the team in the running for League honours. Lying in third place at the moment, we are level on points and games with the Horse and Jockey and have two games in hand over R.H.P., who are at present top of the League. The end of the season is building to an exciting climax as we have to play the leading contenders in the last few games.

2nd team: This side could be called the "Golden Oldies", being made up from long serving players who, finding the pace of senior football a bit tough (!), have settled for the less hectic pace of 2nd division football. However, they are still very competitive and could well finish in the top two or three of their division.

They have also clinched a place in the divisional Cup Final, to be held on Sunday, May 6th. Experience of the big occasion could well prove a vital factor - Our lads have plenty of that and they can be assured that they will be well supported from the touchline by "Nancy's army and co."!

GOOD LUCK TO ALL THE LADS!

