

# Village News





REMEMBER FATHERS' DAY

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## Chairman's Report June 2023

At last we are having some sunny days. Not always without the odd shower though.....!

Luckily the weather was sunny and warm for our village Coronation Celebration on the School playing field..There will be more about this later in the CVN but I will thank everyone who was involved in the planning and preparation, the volunteers and those who attended the splendid afternoon. There was a real community involvement - everyone pulled together - long may this last!

Another happy occasion was the welcoming ceremony which took place in Coddington on Mothering Sunday 19th March 2023. The Parish Council, together with All Saints' Church Coddington and village residents, gathered at the Millennium Garden to "Welcome the sign that will Welcome all to our Village". A Blessing by Rev Phil Smith was followed by the "cutting of the ribbon" by "Guardians of the Village Sign" Neil Kirton and twins Alex and Frankie Parkhouse . There were rousing cheers for Coddington to end a short but significant ceremony.

The Parish Council sadly lost Councillor Bernard Allen, a local farmer of many years standing, who I am sure you all know, passed away recently at the age of 97 - still contributing most robustly in his position on the Parish Council! A stalwart supporter of Coddington Village in so many ways, we shall all greatly miss him and also give our warm wishes to his wife Joyce and family for the future.

(Former!) Councillor Linda Cox did not stand for election to the Parish Council this year. Thanks is given for her hard work and dedication over many years and the Parish Council will be miss her knowledge, input and enthusiasm.

We welcome new Parish Councillor Debbie Brooks! I am sure she will bring much to the council - and enjoy it too!

Welcome also to our new District Councillor Emma Oldham who will represent Balderton North & Coddington, along with District Councillor Johno Lee.

I expect you have all heard/read that Coddington will be having kerb side glass collections in the near future. Collections every six week, I understand but not confirmed yet.

The Parish Council is actively tackling the "Speed limits on the C208 and the unfinished work on the A1 slip road".

Further on in this CVN you will be happy I'm sure to see/read about the second Book Swap in our village .....

As always, a warm welcome to all new residents of Coddington, whether permanent or temporary. The agendas for the monthly Parish Council meetings are published as always on the notice boards around the village and on the Village Website - the public is welcome to raise any issues/contributions at the start of the meeting.

Nerissa McDonald, Chairman

Coddington Parish Council

## REPORT IT

The District Council have a link on their website to make reporting issues as easy as possible.

So, to report issues such as fly-tipping, antisocial behaviour, planning breaches, lost dogs and much more, search 'Newark and Sherwood District Council' and click on 'Report' on the left-hand side of their home page.

https://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/report/



# of Cities, Radderforn Al Sains, Bornby-in-the-Willows All Sains, Coadington

#### **ALL SAINTS' CHURCH**



The Revd. Phil Smith writes:

Dear friends,

As I write this, I reflect back on the wonderful Coronation weekend which has just passed. I would guess that for many this would have been the first Coronation they would have ever seen – or for others perhaps, a reminder of watching our dear late Queen's Coronation back in 1953. Now as then Britain was the 'shopwindow' to the world as to how planning and preparation pays off and how no one does it better!

Talking of which - on the Sunday, be it on a slightly smaller scale – we had the 'Big Lunch' held on the Coddington School playing fields which was an amazing success. Well done to everyone who was involved in the planning, organising, taking part and providing financial support. This was not just a case of a plan coming together but a whole community coming together – and I don't know about you, but I feel so proud, privileged and lucky to live in a village like ours.

On the bank-holiday Monday we had an 'Open Day' at All Saints' church including not only a photographic display from the Coddington History Group – but an impressive bell ringing display from our dedicated team as part of the official 'ring for the king' a nation-wide event. If you want to know more about bell ringing – and your 'bobs from your doubles' I suggest you contact our Tower Captain, Neil Kirton on 07847 626894 or e-mail <a href="mailto:neil.e.kirton@btinternet.com">neil.e.kirton@btinternet.com</a> who will be delighted to hear from you. A big thank you to all those involved in church event which brought to a close a very happy and successful bank holiday weekend. We wish their majesties well in the years to come.

We have a busy summer ahead of us at All Saints' in addition to baptisms, weddings and sadly funerals – we have our regular Sunday Holy Communion services at 10.00am on June 25th, July 23rd and August 27th – do come along as these services are for everyone.

Our much loved 'Open Church' events continue throughout the summer between 2.00 – 4.00pm on the following Saturdays - June 3rd, July 1st and August 5th. These include both refreshments and a photographic display from the Coddington History Group. In addition, on Saturdays June 3rd and August 5th there will be an opportunity for you to 'trace your ancestors' with members of the history group on hand to assist.

For all those who are interested in church art, design and decoration and Coddington's church interior is an outstanding and beautiful example – there are two events coming up:

A presentation by Dr Jim Cheshire, University of Lincoln 'All Saints Coddington, William Morris and the Revival of Stained Glass in the Nineteenth Century' on Thursday 6th July in church between 4.00- 6.00pm. Tickets £5.00 including a glass of wine. Numbers are limited so please apply early.

Then on Saturday 5th August in church at 2.30pm we have a presentation by Josephine McKenzie also from the University of Lincoln, 'The day the Victorians came: rediscovering a hidden decorative scheme' This event is free to attend. Please contact Sue Lovell our churchwarden on 07847 626894 or at susanlovell244@gmail.com to book a place or for further details.

And finally advance notice of our annual Ride & Stride for churches event which will be held on Saturday 9th September from 10.00am to 6.00pm. This is an opportunity to explore 'Nottinghamshire's hidden gems' – those beautiful churches we have never visited and to raise money for All Saints' in the process. So, if you are a walker, cyclist or on a mobility scooter give it a go!! Details from Nottinghamshire Historic Churches Trust at https://nottshistrocchurchestrust.org.uk/ridestride or please contact Clare Ormston at clarecotten@hotmail.com for advice.

Whatever you are doing this summer have an enjoyable time and we look forward to welcoming you to your church of All Saints'

Every blessing

Revd Phil.



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## 2nd Sunday of the month

10.00 AM: FAMILY COMMUNION St Giles Church, Balderton

10.00 AM: HOLY COMMUNION
All Saints Church, Barnby in the Willows

## 3rd Sunday of the month

10.00 AM: FAMILY COMMUNION St Giles Church, Balderton

4.00 PM: 4 @ THE HALL St Giles Community Hall, Balderton

## 4th Sunday of the month

10.00 AM: FAMILY COMMUNION St Giles Church, Balderton

10.00 AM: HOLY COMMUNION All Saints Church, Coddington

4.00 PM SUNDAY TOGETHER @ BARNBY All Saints Church, Barnby in the Willows

## **Every Thursday**

10.00 AM: HOLY COMMUNION St Giles Church, Balderton

## **Baptism & Weddings**

We love to celebrate with you! By request at Vestry Hour Every Tuesday between 6 and 7pm in St Giles' Church, Balderton

More information on individual services can be found on our website

www.bbc-churches.org.uk

## **ALL SAINTS' CHURCH CODDINGTON**

# We welcome you to our 2023 OPEN CHURCH EVENTS on:

Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June, from 2.00 – 4.00 pm Saturday,1<sup>st</sup> July, from 2.00 – 4.00 pm Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> August, from 2.00 – 4.00 pm

Including participation by Coddington History Group
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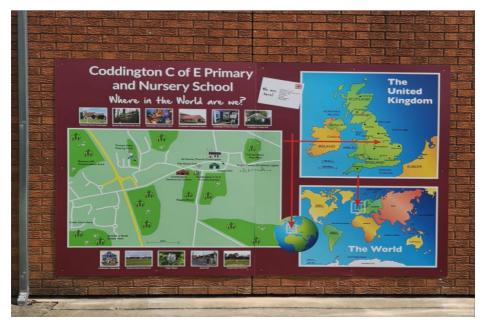
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We at Coddington C of E Primary and Nursery School would like to thank the Coddington Christmas Lights and Friends of Coddington (PTA) for their kind donations that helped us to buy our fabulous new local map!!



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## CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

It's hard to believe we are already half-way through the year! They say "time waits for no man" & nor, it seems, will the list of repairs required to maintain a building with such a rich history as the Village Hall.

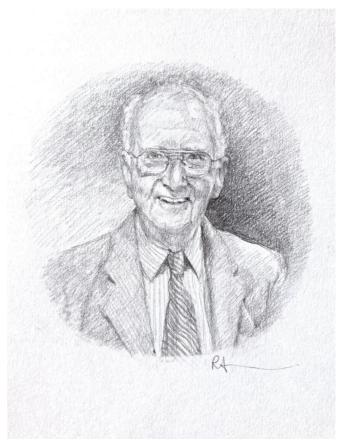
Our band of dedicated & enthusiastic volunteers work tirelessly to endeavour to keep the building weatherproofed, watertight and welcoming. Over recent weeks, the sprung flooring in the main hall, which makes it such an ideal location for various dance groups, has been professionally refurbished.

The kitchen and small hall have been tastefully redecorated in light, bright colours, while the addition of newly-purchased storage cupboards have greatly enhanced the general appearance of the whole area.

As ever though, the wish-list of outstanding tasks outstrips both the hours and finances available. If you have any free time and wish to get involved in helping to preserve this lovely old building, please do contact us.

The Village Hall has played host over recent months to events ranging from birthday parties and baby showers, through to retirement parties and wakes. With free WiFi and a projector and screen, as well as a full sound system plus a newly-fitted, fully equipped kitchen, we feel our lovely, historic Hall is the perfect location for both family celebrations as well as groups or classes of all sizes.

Maggie George Chairman



Bernard Allen

The family would like to give heartfelt thanks to all those who have joined us in our remembrance and thanksgiving for Bernard Allen; beloved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, who died 11th April, aged 97. Your kindness and support continues to be a great solace. Every gesture is held dear. Thank you for being part of Bernard's life and for honouring the marking of his passing. The generosity of our community, extended family, the NHS and care services has touched us all. A special thank you for your donations to The British Heart Foundation and Coddington Church, and to Rev. P. Smith for a beautiful service.

## Mrs O J Allen and family

## **BERNARD ALLEN**

## 6 November 1925 - 11th April 2023

Bernard was born at Littlegates Farm, Stubton. He was the second son in what was eventually a family of six brothers and one sister. His parents had both come from farming families but had started out on their own after marrying as teenagers.

When he was three years old, the family moved to Clevedon Farm, Claypole. There they enjoyed four years of relative comfort, even having a bathroom and running hot water. However, at the age of seven and as the Depression started to bite, they had to move out as his father could no longer afford the rent.

They moved to Odd House Farm, Claypole; a two-bedroomed house that had not been lived in for some time. Bernard used to say that when he went to bed at night, he could see the stars through the gaps in the roof tiles.

He spent his whole school career at Claypole, which he enjoyed, giving him the chance to mix with other children. That might have been all that could be said about his time at school, had it not been for a current group of Claypole schoolchildren doing a history project on school life in the 1930s. They came across the school punishment book where there was a note that one Bernard Allen, aged seven, had been given three lashes across his hand. The crime? Trying to set fire to the school floor. But, as much as his hand stung, it surely did not compare to having to answer to 30 eight-year-olds, over 80 years later!

Bernard left school in 1939, the year war broke out. By then, the prospects for farming had completely changed. He would have liked to expand the family farm but the experience of the pre-war years had drained any enthusiasm for progress from his father, so alternative employment was sought.

Over the next few years, Bernard must have worked on nearly every farm in Claypole. He used to say "if a lad could milk a cow, anybody would give him a job".

On reaching 18, he tried to join up but was told that what he was doing in helping feed the nation was more important. He was however a fire warden (obviously his previous records were not scrutinised!).

It was not long before he started looking for opportunities for himself. Alongside full-time employment, he started renting a four-acre field

on Broadfen Lane, Claypole, which he later bought. On it, he built some sheds, kept a few pigs and started a flock of laying hens. One enterprise was having a boar pig which he transported around, impregnating other pig keepers' sows. With his brother Maurice, he started an egg round in Rainworth and Blidworth.

It was not all work, however. He was always a social animal. He helped start Claypole Young Farmers Club, of which he was a chairman. He even had a sports car.

It was only a question of time before the inevitable happened. It was at a Harrowby Young Farmers Club dance when he turned to his friend and said "What do you think to the one in the yellow dress?". He was smitten and so began a lifelong romance.

One can only speculate as to what his future father-in-law thought when this young tearaway turned up to pick up his precious teenage daughter with the words "Large White Boar at Stud" emblazoned on the side of his van.

After two years of courtship, in 1953 they were married at St Wulfram's Church, Grantham. They started married life in a terraced house, three rooms over three floors, in Ideal Cottages, Claypole, converted from the old workhouse.

The plan was to build up his business and buy a farm. By 1960, the dream was no nearer reality and, with three young children and another on the way, more living space was becoming urgent. A 13-acre smallholding at Coddington came onto the market. He went to the auction and bought if for the princely sum of £2600.

Although there was no mains water or electricity, there were four bedrooms, and so the family moved to Drove Cottage Farm, Drove Lane, which was to remain "home" for his next 58 years. In 1961, mains water was connected and delivery taken of a brand-new Massey-Fergusson 35, which is still working on the farm today. 1963 saw the family completed with child number five, and also mains electricity installed. By now he had a thriving business, based on producing and selling eggs and potatoes in Rainworth, Blidworth and, later, Coddington. He also bought in cull hens, then sold them ovenready to The Savoy Restaurant in Newark.

In the late 1960s he joined Collingham Farmers Club, helping to put on Collingham Show. He was a steward for over 40 years, during which time he served as President and was eventually made a Life Member. From the mid-1970s onwards, his children started to complete full time education and make their way into the world. His two daughters moved away to pursue their lives and careers but the three boys all ended up back home, working on the farm.

In the early 1980s, he was elected to Coddington Parish Council. This opened up a whole new world to him – Village Hall, Church, and School governor. He remained on the Parish Council for the rest of his life, with his involvement in all things Coddington. He became a fixture at every fete, quiz night, bingo session, film night, and anything else going on in the village.

This led to him, along with his wife Joyce, receiving the District Council's Senior Citizen of the Year Award. They were also invited to attend a garden party at Buckingham Palace. As he approached retirement at the relatively young age of 90, he received a long service award from the Nottinghamshire County Show in recognition of working in farming for over 70 years.

The 1980s and 1990s also saw the arrival of grandchildren. He remained close and proud of all of them.

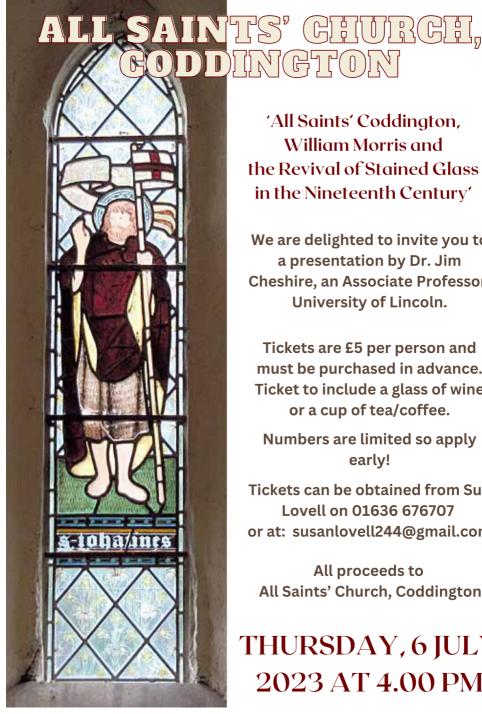
2018 saw the start of one last chapter in a full life. This was retirement and moving out of Drove Cottage into a bungalow on the Hall Farm estate. He wasn't sure he would settle and neither were his family. But with the driver of making room for two of his grandsons to come into the family business, and one of them moving into Drove Cottage, he gave it a go. The family need not have worried, as they were soon embraced fully into the Hall Farm community.

He started to walk around the village, though he often didn't get past the bench outside The Plough, where he would sit and watch the world go by. There, people would stop for a chat as they passed, on foot, cycle, car and even the occasional tractor. He loved every minute of it.

As his previous good health started to wane, he began to need help from our precious NHS doctors, nurses, paramedics, ambulance drivers and carers. They all did amazing work, making his last few months as comfortable as possible until his death on 11<sup>th</sup> April.

Bernard is survived by his wife of almost 70 years, his five children, 10 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. The business he began all those years ago has continued to thrive, and his work in the community endeared him to many.

His was a long life, well lived



'All Saints' Coddington, William Morris and the Revival of Stained Glass in the Nineteenth Century'

We are delighted to invite you to a presentation by Dr. Jim Cheshire, an Associate Professor, University of Lincoln.

Tickets are £5 per person and must be purchased in advance. Ticket to include a glass of wine or a cup of tea/coffee.

Numbers are limited so apply early!

Tickets can be obtained from Sue Lovell on 01636 676707 or at: susanlovell244@gmail.com

All proceeds to All Saints' Church, Coddington

THURSDAY, 6 JULY 2023 AT 4.00 PM

Coddington Village Hall Bonus Ball

Update on the latest winners of the Village Hall Bonus Ball fundraising scheme.

April's winner Phil Herron - No 49, May's winner Sylvia Aslin - No 7.

Congratulations to both who won £50 cash each.

We will soon be going into the next 6 months period July to December. If you would like to continue with your number or would like to join the scheme, please let me know during the month of June.

#### How does it work.

Each number you choose will cost you £2.00 each month, payable 6 months in advance. Numbers available are 1 to 50 with numbers 51-59 reserved for the Village Hall. The draw is made on the first Saturday of every month. The winner will receive £50 cash and the Village Hall will receive £50, which goes towards the maintenance and refurbishment of the hall.

You can contact me on:
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Email sheilabache@sky.com



## Village Hall News - Live and Local.

At the February event (see below) I was able to give a very advance warning of the Christmas entertainment!

We will again be welcoming the Churchfitters on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December and already have a reservations list so don't leave it too late to book (myself 708781 or Phil 701013) if you'd like to see their Christmas show.

Isobel Turner.

## Despite Everything, Price Still Includes Biscuits by Naomi Paul 26th February 2023



It could be claimed that gigs at Coddington village hall are famous for good value, and biscuits! So Naomi's show was already packed with expectation when she began her performance – and she didn't disappoint.

Early in the show it was clear that Naomi was testing her audience's appetite for sharp, even edgy, ironic comedy. Her skilful ability to read the room allowed her to create moments of hilarity carried with a friendly, deadpan mockery of topics as diverse as her Jewish roots, the shameful treatment of the Library of Birmingham's heritage books and (straight from the Law of Unintended Consequences), the impact of Brexit on performers' ability to tour in Europe.

This could all have been quite dry but Naomi both lifted and kept these topics properly droll, not least with a very clever skit about the potentially serious, but easily ridiculed, Government's 'Prevent' training course (10 minutes on-line and PPPP for short!).

Mixing a distinctive blend of political satire with clever, creatively-written comedy the first section of her performance included witty anecdotes, both personal and topical. She also incorporated several, very original songs and encouraged audience-participation of singing along, plus an appearance of volunteer biscuit monitors to hand out the cookies during a much-signposted 'biscuit break' – all, of course, included in the ticket price!



After the interval, Naomi, having steered the audience successfully on her personal family journey from Eastern Europe through Wales, NE London and Birmingham, kept the pace with a performance of spoken word, including selected excerpts from her book, Displacement Activity.

This was a night that entertained everyone with challenged perceptions. It recalled, and often called out, much of the stupid side of politics and took on Brexit without seemingly offending anyone. And finally, it delivered a warm and friendly send-up that we all loved.

## Paul Birkett

## The Village Hall presents:



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# Canterbury Tales

# It's rude! It's ribald! It's ridiculous! Let's party like it's 1387!

By Dave Mynne Sat 8th July, 7:30pm

If you remember Dave's wonderful performances of The Christmas Carol, The Odyssey and Great Expectations at the hall then you won't want to miss this!

It's an unusual month for us to have live performances but that's when we can get him – we hope you're not on holiday! We have booked him independently this time therefore it's not subsidised so the tickets are slightly more expensive – sorry – but it will be worth it.

Welcome to 'The Canterbury', an Olde English Inn,
Infamous around these parts for villainy and sin.
The floor is caked in sawdust, for soaking up the spit,
And the air is thick with stories told with wisdom, guile and wit.
Some stories are romantic, some are bawdy, others scary
And there are tales about the devil that should make you oh so wary,
Some are beautifully poetic and some a little coarser;
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Revered as one of the most important works in English literature, 'The Canterbury Tales' paints an ironic and critical portrait of English society in the middle-ages.

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Expect naughtiness, nonsense and medieval swearing!

This is Chaucer... but not as you think you know it!

Suitable for adults and older children (12+)

Tickets £15.00 purchased in advance. £16.00 on the night. Juniors £6. Available from Isobel Turner (708781) and Phil Waller (701013) Doors open 7pm. Tea, coffee and juice will be available at the interval, or bring something stronger if you wish.

## **Coddington History Group**

Through the summer we will be making an appearance at the Open Church events (2-4pm) on the first Saturdays of June, July and August with displays and help with family history. We'll have available our Parish record and graveyard transcriptions for searching through, plus relevant photographic displays. Of course there will also be refreshments!

Our last regular speaker evenings on the third Thursday of the month was in May and the next will be September, then continuing through to November.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Richard Gaunt – The Women in their Lives. "The 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Dukes of Newcastle in private". Sounds intriguing- and Richard is an experienced speaker so it's bound to be interesting.

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The pantry is located just inside the door to the main reception. You do not need to ask to use the pantry, just help yourself. We just ask that it is used fairly so that we can help as many people as possible.

If you can support by helping us to keep it topped up, this will help us to support as many members of our community as we can.

We will particularly be looking for foods that can be stored at room temperature, toiletries and hygiene products and household cleaning items.

## What is going on in Coddington

## **VILLAGE HALL**

Contact Booking Clerk - Maggie George 07790 719870 maggiegeorge@gmail.com			
Mon Mon Mon		Tai Chi Danielle's School of Dance MLM Ballroom	sueross3347@gmail.com welsim@hotmail.com maggiegeorge@gmail.com
Tue Tue		Women's Institute (2nd Tuesday of the month)	sgatherer@hotmail.com susansprig@gmail.com
Tue	19:15 - 20:45	Private Hire	
Wed Wed	11:00 - 12:00 17:45 - 20:00	MLM Ballroom Brownies	maggiegeorge@gmail.com lbunkle@yahoo.co.uk
Thur		Morning - Hall Cleaning	
Thur	14:00 - 15:00	Moving 2 Music f-abs	sheilabache@sky.com
Thur	19:30 - 21:00	Coddington History Group (3rd Thur in Month)	iturner@coddington.org.uk
Fri	09:30 - 14:15	Weekly Art Class (Adults)	lynn.norris@talktalk.net

## Weekends Available for Hire Bookings taken for Children's Parties

## **SCOUT HALL**

Mon	16:30 - 19:15 Danielle's School of Dance	Danielle	01522 696100
Tue	19:00 - 20:30 Newark Brazilian Jujitsu	Jack	07946 289135
Wed	18:00 - 19:00 Beavers	Steve	07920 258666
Wed	19:15 - 21:00 Scouts	Steve	07920 258666
Thur	18:30 - 20:00 Cubs	Steve	07920 258666
Fri	Available for hire		
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Sun	14:00 - 15:30 Newark Brazilian Jujitsu	Jack	07946 289135



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#### C.I.L. Monies - Ideas Wanted

Coddington Parish Council completed a survey in 2021 when we had been given Community Infrastructure Levy monies to spend on capital projects. At that time requests from residents included benches/picnic benches which have now been provided and more/improved play equipment at Thorpe Oaks. The Parish Council is currently working with the District Council on the play equipment which will be in place as soon as it possibly can be.

This new survey is needed because Coddington Parish Council has been given more C.I.L. monies to spend on projects to benefit the village. We currently have just over £12,000 (some of which is earmarked for the new play equipment), and these funds need to be spent on capital projects (not running costs) within the next four years.

We would like to hear residents' ideas on how this money should be spent. Please complete the form below and return to the Post Box at the Community Centre or complete the online survey on the village website https://village.coddington.org.uk

Any decisions will be made at a future Parish Council meeting, so the survey will be kept open until at least the end of June.

*Required fields
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Postcode *
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Idea 2.
Idea 3.
Any other comments



#### NOTICE ON DOG FOULING

The Parish Council are aware that dog fouling on green spaces and pathways is a problem in Coddington.

We have a duty of care to all residents and so we have requested Dog Wardens to patrol the village. It is an offence to not clear up after your dog and the Dog Wardens can issue an onthe-spot fine of up to £1,000.

Dog bins are provided at several places around the village. Normal litter bins can also be used, or you could of course dispose of it at home.

Please be assured that this course of action is taken with public safety in mind and the Parish Council will continue to monitor the situation closely.

## Village Hall News - Live and Local.

We've had four entertainments over the Autumn/Winter period, all have been well received with a good sized audience – indeed we needed a bigger hall to fit in everyone who wanted to come to Jez Lowe and I had a busy time just before the event with last minute cancellations meaning last minute seats available to be re-allocated to happy people! There's no more scheduled now until next Autumn I'm afraid, hopefully there will be news in the September issue. Lastly, my grateful thanks to Paul who is infinitely better than me at writing reviews!

Isobel Turner

## **CODDINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE**

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Mon	20:30 - 21:30	Kung Fu	Craig	07900687137
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			rainbows(	@hotmail.co.uk
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		(1st Thursday, monthly)		
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If you have any updates to this information please contact the editor.



The village book swap is a community project supported by the Parish Council and monitored by volunteers.

It is well used by local residents.

The village book swap has a new home, it is still located at the village hall.

Please do not overload the book swap as it may result in damage to the books.



Working alongside the Village Book Swap Volunteers, the Parish Council have provided a second book swap for use by local residents, which is situated at the Thorpe Oaks noticeboard.

We need help to fill it and with that in mind, if you have any books that you would be happy to donate, then please feel free to put them in the book swap unit for everyone to enjoy.

Many thanks and happy reading.



## **Coronation Big Lunch**

It was great to see the community join in activities for the Coddington Coronation Big Lunch at the Coddington Primary School Field and Community Centre on Sunday 7th May. Hundreds of people turned out to the event organised by volunteers from the Coddington Parish Council, the Coddington Primary School, the Friends of Coddington School, the Coddington WI, the Coddington Scouts group and the Coddington Brownies and Rainbows group.

The event started with a parade from the Thorpes Oaks estate down to school by the Scouts and Brownies. Followed by the opening of the event by Reverend Phil from All Saints Church Coddington, who lead the gathering on a rendition of God Save the King.

There were lots of activities on throughout the day including Bouncy Castles, Face Painting, Bubble and Balloon entertainer, craft activities by the Brownies and Rainbows and archery and football shoot out competitions by the Scouts.

Drinks, snacks, sweets and ice creams were provided by the Friends of Coddington School, who had to make a mad dash to the supermarket mid event as they were so popular! The Coddington WI had a lovely cake stall and a royal quiz which raised over £150 for the school.

The crowds were entertained throughout the day with live music from the singer Bobby Haynes.

There was also a free BBQ serving sausages and burgers, supplied by the Muskham Pantry and burger and sausage buns by Turners Bakery. Asda donated the sauces for BBQ. Members of the Winthorpe and Coddington Cricket Club volunteered to serve at the BBQ.

Donations for the BBQ raised over £800 for the School, Scouts, Brownies, Rainbows, Church and the food pantry. This was all possible due to the kind donations from the Coddington Trust fund, the Coddington Parish Council and the Newark District Council.

Newark Community First Aid were in attendance for the day to deal with a few cuts and grazes. This was due to a very kind donation from the Move to Music Fabs Thursday group who paid for them to attend.

Everyone seemed to have a great day with lots of lovely comments after on the local Facebook pages. The organising committee would like to thank everyone who supported the event.







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## Yoga with Clare

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7:15-8:30pm: Hatha Yoga – Suitable for both those with some yoga experience and beginners.

If you'd like more information about the classes, including prices, please contact me on Tel: 07887 903461, via email at <a href="mailto:clarecotten@hotmail.com">clarecotten@hotmail.com</a> or visit my Facebook/Instagram page at @yogawithclarec

## The Official Opening of the Newly Refurbished Collingham Bowls Club Pavilion

The Club came to our present site, on Dale Field in Collingham, in 1933 where a small wooden building served as a Club House. As the Club grew and developed a larger wooden extension was added in 1986. While much maintenance work had been undertaken, by January 2022 the general feeling of the committee was that the Pavilion was "looking tired and sorely in need of some TLC".

A sub-committee of four undertook the task of applying to the "Tarmac Landfill Communities Fund" for a grant of £20 000, and approaching local tradesmen to submit quotations for the various aspects required for a complete refurbishment.

The Application was submitted to the Derbyshire Environmental Trust, the administrators of the "Tarmac Landfill Communities Fund", on the 11<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and accepted in November 2022. The work began mid-January 2023 and completed by 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023. The Club was also fortunate in being awarded a grant from the Collingham Parish Council which enabled the purchase of new flooring and an outside bench and cushions.

The skills and interest of the trades people involved has transformed our Pavilion. Once again Collingham Bowls Club has a Pavilion, for the membership, to continue as a valued amenity within the village.

Our sincere thanks go to the Tarmac Landfill Communities Fund for making the refurbishment possible, and to their staff who were so helpful and supportive and to the Collingham Parish Council for their generosity.

Last but not least to Mike Morton, aided and abetted by George Durham, who was the driving force in ensuring the completion of this "fantastic" project.

#### **Coddington Community Centre**

Hello Everyone,

I would like to start by thanking the trustees of the Community Centre for their work keeping things running in order.

We are busier than ever with regular bookings increasing and more activities being booked for the weekends.

We have completed an in-depth investigation into the flooding that occurs in the car park when it rains. The result is that when the Community Centre was built the car park had a reasonably high tech drainage system under the blocks which has not survived the test of time. This can be seen by the areas which have sunk. The repeated cleaning has degraded the layer beneath. While the car park still drains it is slow and the water pools in the middle of the bay.

Our conclusion is that to rectify this we are going to have to lift the blocks and replace it with a drain gully at the back and tarmac the car park to allow water to drain off to the rear of the bay.

This will give us a large number of blocks to use. Our plan is to use these block to create paved areas where the foot traffic has trampled the grass at school time. We will also be creating paths to the rear Fire Exit of the main hall.

Some of the soil that will be taken up will be used to create the mounds that the Parish Council have approved to stop cars parking on the grassed areas.

We welcome Councillor Ayers to our management team and have space for more trustees if you would like to be part of the changes that we are planning. If you are interested in joining us please get in touch for more information.

Our next meeting will be on the 7<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm and will start with our AGM after which we will have our trustees meeting.

The AGM will consist of the presentation of Accounts, Chairman's report and appointment of trustees.

Malcolm Baker - Chairman



#### 1<sup>st</sup> Coddington Scout Group

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#### **Section News**

We have had an incredibly busy start to the year including the St Georges Day Event at the Riverside in Newark and the Kings Coronation Celebrations on the school field.

Our Beaver Colony have been learning first aid and had a trip to Pets At Home to meet some of the animals. Cubs have been gardening and had a trip to Newark Fire station. Scouts have been learning about knife skills and had an evening sailing at Hoveringham.

#### Join Us

We are experiencing unprecedented demand for places in all our sections and are currently operating a waiting list. If you wish your child to join our Scout Group, now or in the future it is important to get their details registered as soon as possible. Details of how to join the waiting list can be found on our website.

In order to be able to take more youth members into our group we need more adult volunteers to help run the sections. Whatever your background, identity or ability, there's a volunteer spot with your name on it. Volunteering can be a brilliant way to boost your mental wellbeing. It's a great feeling knowing you're helping young people get skills for life, and you might even learn some skills yourself along the way.

#### **Hire our Scout Hall**

With our newly refurbished toilets and kitchen, large hall, reception area and our large floodlit garden available for your exclusive use, have you considered hiring our Scout Hall for you group, party, meeting or event?

We can host birthday parties for all ages. We have our own disco lights and space for both indoor and outdoor bouncy castles. We also have a plenty of tables, chairs, glasses, crockery and cutlery to make your event a success. If you would like to hire our hall for a one-off event or as a regular meeting place please get in touch.

#### What's on at The Scout Hall

**Mondays –** Danielle Rawlinson School of Dance (4.30pm-7.15pm)

**Tuesdays –** Newark Brazilian Jujitsu Kids (7-14 6.20pm-7pm) Adults (7pm-8.30pm)

**Wednesdays –** Beavers (6pm-7pm) Scouts (7.15pm-9pm)

Thursdays – Cubs (6.30pm-8pm)

Fridays - Available for hire

Saturdays - Available for hire

**Sundays –** Newark Brazilian Jujitsu (2pm-3.30pm)

#### Can you help?

Our Scout group is run entirely by volunteers, if you are not able to assist running a section perhaps you are able to help run the group by joining the committee? We are always looking for help applying for fundraising and maintaining our hall. If you think you could help please get in touch!

<u>www.coddingtonscoutgroup.org.uk</u> www.facebook.com/friendsof1stcoddington

#### The Village Readers



The Village Readers book club meeting at The Plough in Coddington.

These generally take place at 7.30 pm on the last Monday of the month.

We are a lively and friendly group and at each meeting, we discuss that month's book choice, and decide what to tackle for the next month.

Phone: 07908 986538

New members to our book club are always welcome.







We are extremely proud that one of our former Beavers, Cubs and Scouts at 1st Coddington Scout Group has been selected as one of the UK contingent who will travel to the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea in 2023.

Jayan is currently an Explorer with Newark Raptors as well as a young leader with our Scout Troop and is working towards his Bronze DofE. He is one of only 3,240 young people from the UK who will join 50,000 young people from almost every nation on earth in South Korea.

We will be organising some fundraising activities in the coming months to help Jayan achieve his goal of raising £3600 so please keep an eye out for those.

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# Monday Moving 2 Music (M2M)

Moving 2 Music is Coddington's long running Chair Based exercise class with Sara-lou. Every Monday Morning at Coddington Community Centre 11.00 am to 12.00 noon. For more information contact:

Niki - 07803710640

### M2M F-abs Thursday

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Our Spring meeting in February saw John Whitfield speak to us about Louis and Edwina Mountbatten. John has been to us before, and, as usual, his talk was fascinating and informative. The competition for the February meeting was to bring along a childhood photo, and our photographs raised a lot of smiles. Had we ever been that young? Were we really so old? The answer, of course, to both questions was 'Yes'.

The March meeting saw us celebrating our 89<sup>th</sup> Birthday, with a buffet, desserts and, of course, birthday cake. The Notts Federation Chairman, Helen, came along to join in the celebration and, of course, to cut the cake! We were also joined by several W.I. members from across the County. Sheila Bache had devised two quizzes, one specifically about the W.I. Several of us realised, when the answers were read out, that we didn't know as much about the W.I. as we thought we did! Note to self, 'must do better'.

At the April meeting our speaker was Lynne Carter, who gave us a talk on quilting, and enthused us with her skill. Many of our members are quilting enthusiasts and the monthly competition asked members to bring along a piece of work to be judged.

Towards the end of March, we held a coffee morning at Hardy's Farm Shop. Getting together outside of Monthly meetings gives us a chance to do two of the things most of us like, chatting and eating incredible cakes.

Sheila Bache is now finalising the details of two trips. One to The National Tramway Museum at Crich in June, and another to The Thursford Christmas Spectacular at the end of the year. Our trips are open to husbands, partners relatives and friends, some from other W.I.'s in Nottinghamshire.

Our regular W.I. meetings are held on the  $2^{nd}$  Tuesday of the month at 2 p.m. in Coddington Village Hall. If you want to give us a try why not come as a guest and see if you like what's on offer. Guests can come up to three times per year and each visit costs £4 including refreshments. Hope to see you soon.



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Our Head Chef, George continues to produce an outstanding menu for you to enjoy. Our facebook following Is such that we always share our food specials and it has certainly become a talking point amongst our regulars and visitors alike.

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We look forward to seeing you all soon, Best Wishes

Matt & Nigel



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#### **Coddington Trust Fund**

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C.T.F will continue to support C.R.A.C. financially so that residents of Coddington can still seek help and support via CRAC.

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Walkers should provide snacks, drinks and packed lunches if appropriate.

Suitable footwear and waterproofs are necessary .

NEW WALKERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

If you would like to join us on any of our walks , dates listed below , please contact Nina Ward by email on

collinghamramblersnottswalks@gmail.com for more information and specific walk details .

We would not expect you to join the Ramblers Association immediately.

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If any parishioner would like to contribute an article of local interest for inclusion in the Coddington Village News please contact the editor.

Please be aware that the font selection and print size may be changed to enable me to fit articles into the publication and to make them easier to read.

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#### PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS DATES

DATE:		<u>VENUE:</u>
Thursday 8th June	19:30	Coddington Community Centre
Thursday 6th July	19:30	Coddington Community Centre
Thursday7th Sept	19:30	Coddington Community Centre

More details of minutes, reports, planning comments and Hot News are in the Parish Council's web-pages on the village website:

http://village.coddington.org.uk

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