



# Village News



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## Welcome to the Autumn Parish Council Report.

We had a successful village summer fete on 28th June with all groups from the village represented

The weather this year was, dare I say it too hot. However everyone who came along enjoyed the stalls, live music, BBQ, games and the free bouncy castles and face painter. The Newark fire station team sent their apologies as they were called out to a local grass fire, they're booked for next year so fingers crossed

Thanks go to all the village groups for their help in putting on the event. Friends of Coddington school, the scouts, WI, history group, the church, all the volunteers and the Community Centre & Coddington school for being great hosts. Thanks also to Coddington Parish Council and Coddington Trust for their cash donations to enable us to provide the music, bouncy castles and face painter free of charge.

Thanks also go to Newark police for their time, Middlebeck gymnastics club and Studio 29 for their brilliant display and Allen Farmers who kindly supplied all the sausages, the tractor and all the straw bales for both the school sports day and the summer fete.

Between all the groups who attended we managed to raise close to £1400 of which all the money will be go to the school, church, WI and the Scouts.

Any ideas for next year's event please send them through and as ever we're always looking for financial support and volunteers !

Next year's summer fete will be 27th June 2026

The Tritax Big Box Unit 1 on the A17 has now been completed and is ready to rent. The community fund has been fully allocated directly to the village this time. We are pleased to announce they are providing £40,000 worth of funds to the village, this will be spent on the Community Centre, Scout Group and to supply two defibrillators to the village.

The allocation of the money will be used as follows

### Community Centre

Provide an upgraded wastewater management

Improve the fire escape route from the rear of the main hall

Improve access to the school entrance via the community centre car park.

Replace main hot water tank with local water heaters

### Scout Hall

Paint & decorate Scout hall

More funds could become available depending on the success of the next planning application, we will update on any developments.

All the best

Mike Ayers

Chairman

Coddington Parish Council

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## NEWS TO ME

NEWARK AND SHERWOOD



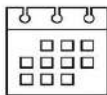
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## ALL SAINTS' CHURCH



The Revd Phil Smith writes:

Having said a fond farewell to the summer two events still linger in my memory, one was the Coddington Community Fair at the backend of June when again thanks to a lot of hard work by key members of the organising committee and the generous support of local businesses and organisations we all came together as a village to celebrate who we are and what it means to be part of a team and a community. Which leads me nicely to my other memory a month later - when our wonderful Lionesses beat Spain to retain their status as European Champions - a three hour epic that had us all on the edge of our seats.

The Lionesses embody so many qualities: grit, determination, self-belief, a 'never say die attitude' even when your opponents appeared to have the upper-hand, combined with a love for each other, a love for their country and an unshakable belief in their manager and head coach encapsulated in those words: 'In Sarina we trust'.

I could go on, but I think we could all, whether a football fan or not could embrace many of those qualities as mentioned and apply them to our own lives and beliefs especially those of us who confess to be followers of what we believe to be the greatest head coach of them all under the rallying cry of 'In Jesus we Trust'. As Christians we are called to follow the teachings of our Lord and no other than these are the Great Commandments as found in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke instilling in us the need to love both God and our neighbour equally.

This is a reminder to us all that the purpose of the church All Saints of in Coddington and by that, I mean its members, is to bring people to faith so that they too might get to know and love God as revealed in His son Jesus and also for us to serve our community in any way we can, it being our collative neighbour.

We therefore are so happy to invite you to attend any of our upcoming services which includes our regular monthly services all at 10.00am on Sundays 24<sup>th</sup> August, 28<sup>th</sup> September, 29<sup>th</sup> October and 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

In addition, we have two other very important services coming up the '**Harvest Festival**' on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 3.00pm and the '**Remembrance Sunday Service**' on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am when we as a community including representatives from the Parish Council and uniformed organisations within the village come together to remember and honour all those who have given their lives in the service of this country.

On the fund-raising front there are also plenty of opportunities for you not only to have a look around your local church but to support its' ministry and the maintenance of its beautiful building for future generations.

On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September we have in church our **Autunm Fete** between 2.00pm & 3.30pm when you will have the opportunity to enjoy yourself and maybe spot a bargain or two on our stalls.

The annual '**Ride & Stride**' will take place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September – see posters for details with the church being open for visitors between 10.00am – 2.00pm.

Our next much loved **Quiz Night** will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in the Coddington Village Hall – again see posters for details and finally on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November between 2.00-3.30pm we have the '**Christmas Fuddle**' just whet your appetite for the festive season get started on your early Christmas shopping and to say a big hello to Santa!

Looking forward to seeing you all at least once or perhaps even more at the above events or services.

Every blessing

**Mobile Library Dates 2025**

Stopping at:	Arr
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Beaconsfield Drive	11:50
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Primary School	12:50
The Green	14:20
Stapleford Woods	14:45

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25<sup>th</sup> Jul, 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug, 19<sup>th</sup> Sep, 17<sup>th</sup> Oct, 1<sup>th</sup> Nov, 12<sup>th</sup> Dec**

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# Monthly Pattern of Services

## 1st Sunday

- 10:00am Family Communion  
St Giles, Balderton
- 6:00pm Free to Be  
St Giles, Balderton

## 2nd Sunday

- 10:00am Family Communion  
St Giles, Balderton
- 10:00am Holy Communion  
All Saints, Barnby

## 3rd Sunday

- 10:00am Family Communion  
St Giles, Balderton

## 4th Sunday

- 10:00am Family Communion  
St Giles, Balderton
- 10:00am Holy Communion  
All Saints, Coddington
- 4:00pm Sunday Together  
All Saints, Barnby

## Every Thursday

- 10:00am Family Communion  
St Giles, Balderton

*Everyone is Welcome*





It's

# HARVEST FESTIVAL

time

Sunday 28th September

10.00 am St Giles, Balderton

4.00 pm All Saints, Barnby in the Willows

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October

3.00 pm All Saints, Coddington

*Donations of dried and canned food in the service  
will be gratefully received*

# ALL WELCOME

[www.bbc-churches.org.uk](http://www.bbc-churches.org.uk)



# Village Hall News



CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Hopefully by the time you read this there will be a smart new path to the main door at the hall. The old 1950's concrete was well past its sell-by date but more importantly it had been laid at too high a level which had a negative impact on our historic corrugated iron. This was an enabling project since our next ambition is to have the outside of the hall refurbished, including much-needed insulation. The hall will maintain its now rare green corrugated iron exterior (as it must anyway as it is in the Conservation Area) but it will be NEW! Yes, it is still available. We will also renew windows with double glazed wooden ones but also hope to improve the look/location of them – subject to the vagaries of the planning system.

If anyone can help us with the necessary drawings for planning permission that would be most helpful – please!

Minor repairs continue to be undertaken by our volunteer Maintenance Team helping to keep the costs down. We have renewed the popular but faulty “fairy” lights, kept the garden tidy and done various small DIY tasks to make the place smarter and more functional.

We generally do one morning per month, it's a sociable occasion naturally with the inevitable tea/coffee/biscuit break! More hands make light work so please get in touch if you might like to join us, no particular skills needed but woodworking or electrical experience/knowledge would be particularly helpful.

There's a few changes on our timetable with new classes so do check out the list in the centre pages. They will be pleased to see you and your support at the hall is always appreciated.

Live events start again in September and the popular Churchfitters (back for the 8th time since 2011!) are booking up fast!

Isobel Turner, Chairman. 01636 708781 [iturner@coddington.org.uk](mailto:iturner@coddington.org.uk)





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## **CODDINGTON VILLAGE HALL BONUS BALL DRAW**

Winning numbers as follows;

May - number 9 Lesley Walker

June - number 56 reserved number for The Village Hall

July - number 15 Yvonne Lawrence

August - number 56 reserved number for The Village Hall

Numbers 1 - 50 are available to reserve at £2 per number per month depending on availability, and numbers 51 - 59 are reserved for the Village Hall.

The winner will receive £50 and £50 will go to the Village Hall. As before, the winning bonus ball will be drawn on the first Saturday of each month.

To reserve your number or join the scheme contact Sheila on the number below.

Remember 'BE IN IT TO WIN IT'

Sheila Bache - 07727040504



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## **Citizens Advice gives advice on water bills.**

Many of us have seen an increase since April in the amount we pay for our water supply. Below we talk through the difference between using a fixed rate for your water or having your water on a meter and other ways you may be able to save money on your water bill.

You either pay your water bill based on a fixed rate or on the actual amount of water you use, measured with a water meter.  
**When is it a good idea to consider changing to a water meter?**

Changing to a water meter may benefit you if you don't use much water.

It may also be worth changing to a meter if your property has a high rateable value. This is because some water bills are based on the rateable value of the property. Before April 1990, every property in England and Wales was given a rateable value, based on how much the property could be let for. A good rule of thumb is that you could pay less if there are fewer people in your property than there are bedrooms.

If you change to a water meter, the company will come to read your meter. You won't know exactly what you're going to be charged in every bill because the amount of water you use could increase if extra people come to live with you or if you buy any new water-using appliances.

You will be responsible for paying for any water that leaks. However, a water company won't normally charge for the first leak in an underground supply pipe.

Many water companies have water usage calculators on their website, to help you work out how much you are likely to pay if you have a meter. If you do not have access to the internet you can give us a call on the number below to arrange our help with this.

If you find you are not better off after changing to a meter, you can usually change back to how the bill was paid before within twelve months. You can't do this if you have moved into a property where a meter is already installed, or if universal metering has been introduced for everyone in your area.

If you don't own your home and are a tenant in a property you can still ask for a water meter. If you have a fixed-term tenancy agreement of less than six months, you must ask the landlord's permission. If your fixed-term tenancy agreement is longer than six months, you don't need your landlord's permission to have a meter but your tenancy agreement may require you to ask their permission for alterations to the property.

You may need advice if your landlord doesn't agree to you having a meter, as any disagreements could cause problems when renewing the tenancy. You can reach out to us for help with this.

## **Help Paying your water bills**

Many water companies offer social tariffs for customers on a low income, claim benefits or if you have to use a lot of water due to medical reasons. To find out more on if your water company offers any discounts or low rates for water you can contact them and ask or alternatively get in touch with Citizens Advice on the details below. We will be happy to help enquire about your water bills or any other issues you may have with your water supply.

All of our sessions are drop in and there is no appointment needed. If you use the internet you can find out details of all of our locations on our website [www.ca-centralnotts.org.uk](http://www.ca-centralnotts.org.uk) or alternatively please give us a call on 0300 5610330 to speak to us over the telephone.

## **Winthorpe Garden Club**

As we say goodbye to the long summer days and head into autumn, the children start a new year at school and our thoughts turn to ourselves. What new things will we learn?

How about becoming a gardener? Or improving your gardening knowledge and skills? Imagine being able to turn your plot, large or small, into something bright and beautiful. Fresh air, exercise, making new friends!

Why not join us at Winthorpe Garden Club and be entertained by interesting, knowledgeable, humorous speakers? We welcome new members of any age with lots of gardening knowledge or none at all. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month, from 7.30 pm to 9.00pm at Winthorpe Community Centre.

On 17th September we look forward to a Question and Answer evening with Chelsea Gold Medal winner Jonathon Sheppard. He is a political lobbyist in Parliament as well as an amateur grower. In 2020 he established the National Plant Collection of Hollyhocks and Cosmos at his home in Brant Broughton.

On 25th October we welcome professional horticulturist Doug Stewart to tell us about the World's Largest Garden Project - RHS Bridgwater.

On 25th November we look forward to welcoming an old favourite speaker, Don Witton, who will entertain us with his talk Once Seen, Never Forgotten, advertised as a 'popular talk, hilarious entertainment!'

If you would like to join us, please contact Ian Wilson on 01636 686249 or email [i.wilson2@ntlworld.com](mailto:i.wilson2@ntlworld.com).



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Coddington Community  
Centre**

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**We Now Have a Waiting List  
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**M2M**

**F-abs**

**Thursday**



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**1.45 pm to 2.45 pm  
at Coddington Village Hall  
with trainer**

**Sara-lou**

**For more information  
contact:**

**Sheila - 07727040504**



## Village Hall Live Events

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July **The Ralph Allin Quartet** came with “Strad Jazz and Razzamatazz!” And what an evening it was too – it’s a shame that perhaps some people were put off by “Jazz” being in the title. Ralph did a “hands up” survey of the audience to see how many didn’t consider themselves jazz fans – and a good third of the audience responded. But it’s fair to say that everyone really enjoyed an evening with such fantastic professional musicians and we hope we can get them back sometime.



The show opened with a lively rendition of the Hungarian Folk Dance by Brahms and included other favourites such as Blue Moon and A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square. The audience clapped along to some old favourites and were introduced to some new pieces and learned a little bit about the genre of jazz music along the way. The quartet was so enthusiastically received by the audience that they were treated to a rarely given rousing encore of the Sailors Hornpipe.

Thank you again to Ralph Allin, Jadie Carey, Steve Street and Rich Hughes for a very enjoyable evening and we look forward to welcoming them back in the future.

### Forthcoming Events:

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Jez Lowe’s Winter Wonderland. Yes, we’ve managed to tempt him back again to start the Christmas season with cheer.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2026** – Mettle (Drama)

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026** – The Pocket Choral Society

# CHURCHFITTERS

Feel-good Folk



*Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2025 7:30pm  
at Coddington Village Hall*

**Tickets** £15.00 in advance, £16.00 on the door, Juniors £6

**From:-** Isobel (01636 708781), Catherine (07984 849730)

**Doors open 7pm.** All proceeds to Village Hall funds (CIO No:1188363)

# Coddington History Group

At the service for anniversary of the restoration of the church we displayed a board with information on the Morris-Burne-Jones partnership and the Thorpes (principal funders). The incumbent at the time was wonderfully named John Maximillian Dolphin – his initials are high up in the porch. I invited one of his direct descendants to the service and afterwards she kindly donated much of her research papers to us along with a few photographs to add to our collection.

Our lecture programme begins this month, do come along and join us.

Isobel Turner, [iturner@coddington.org.uk](mailto:iturner@coddington.org.uk)

## Speakers Programme 2025

**All the events are (almost always!) on the third Thursday of the month in the Village Hall, Main Street starting at 7:30pm. Everyone welcome, Members FREE, non- members £2 - includes refreshments.**

### *Thursday 11th September 2025 Note 2nd Thursday!*

*Nigel Lowey – The Transformation of St Pancras.* Nigel came last year with an excellent talk about the architect George Gilbert Scott. He did this very interesting talk for us in 2012 but no doubt it will have been updated and also been missed (or forgotten!) by many current members.

### *Thursday 16th October 2025 Bob Massey – Trick or Treat Halloween.*

The story of our winter traditions, its origins and meaning.

### *Thursday 20th November 2025 Jeremy Lodge – Lowdham Grange*

*Borstal.* How it came about, who built it and the boys who occupied it. And what is his connection to it?? (and no, he wasn't an "inmate"!)

# The Pubs of Coddington: A Historical Journey

Although Coddington has two vibrant pubs today; the **Plough Inn** and **The Inn on the Green**, there have been several others over the years....

Beer production, and its subsequent availability for sale, can likely be traced back in Coddington to the origins of the village itself. There's an early reference to ale selling in the village court records from 1654 where Goodwin FOREMAN and William CROSLY were named as '*common brewers*' at Coddington when they were each fined 4d (less than 2p) for "*not selling their ayle according to ye statute*"!

In those earlier times, drinking establishments could often be humble affairs, sometimes no more than a farmhouse with a room set aside for passing travellers and thirsty local agricultural labourers. Others, like the Plough, were more substantial, often operating as coaching inns or postal stops.

Coddington's **Plough Inn** holds its place as the most enduring hostelry in the village with historic references dating back to at least the early 1800s. There is also a detailed description of its building and facilities when it was advertised for sale in 1928.

As the 19<sup>th</sup> century progressed, the wider authorities tried to re-shape drinking in society and the **Beerhouse Act of 1830** was enacted, partly seeking to curb the population's reliance on strong spirits like gin. The Act allowed any householder to obtain a licence to sell beer and cider, making it both affordable and widely available. This inevitably led to a proliferation of beerhouses. Unlike established pubs - which typically served a broader range of beverages and provided food and entertainment - beerhouses were usually modest affairs. In Coddington, beer production was mostly connected to local farmers and their malting activity, much of which featured as part of the development of the huge maltings industry in and around Newark.

Eventually, the sheer number of pubs and beerhouses became a political issue which alarmed many social reformers with concerns about drunkenness, crime, and public disorder. This led to waves of regulation as local magistrates held the power to grant or withhold licenses. The Licensing Act of 1872 imposed stricter closing hours, penalties for serving intoxicated individuals, and requirements for better recordkeeping. Beerhouses, in particular, came under close scrutiny and many were gradually absorbed into the more tightly regulated pub trade or shut down altogether.

But the apparent over-availability of drink became a feature that worried licensing committees. Two Coddington pubs were caught up in this policy just before the Great War. After a particularly rocky period in its management, the **Plough** faced having its licence withdrawn. At the same time, Ben GREEN, the landlord of the **Globe Tavern**, also in Coddington, offered to take over the **Plough** and improve its running. After careful and public consideration, the magistrates allowed his application but on the understanding that he could do so only after closing the **Globe**.

This was significant because the Globe Inn, or Old Globe, (and later the Globe Tavern) had stood on Main Street opposite Hall Farm for at least 75 years. When it ceased trading in 1913, the local Licensing Committee had acted under the Licensing (Consolidation Act) 1910 as they had done with others to reduce the number of pubs and beerhouses across Newark. As licensee at the Globe, Ben GREEN, was paid £50 and the owner, Capt. John Somerled THORPE received £358 15s in compensation. Afterwards, the buildings on the site were converted to cottages but were later demolished. As for Ben GREEN, he did become landlord of the Plough and rescued it from the troublesome threat that so worried the authorities.

But other Coddington watering holes have existed over the years and although it is hard to determine exact dates for opening and closing, there is evidence of the part they played in the village history.

**More next time!**

Paul Birkett - Coddington History Group – July 2025

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# In All Saints' Church, Coddington

*(NG24 2PW)*

## Autumn Fete

ON SATURDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 2025,  
FROM 2.00-3.30 PM



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Half of the money, including Gift Aid, raised by members of our churches, will come directly back to the relevant church's fabric fund, the rest being put into central funds for repairs to historic churches.

For more information or to sign up please contact Clare Ormston:  
[clarecotten@hotmail.com](mailto:clarecotten@hotmail.com)



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## What is going on in Coddington

### VILLAGE HALL

Contact Booking Clerk - Maggie George  
maggiegeorge@gmail.com

07790 719870

Mon Morning **Available for Hire**

Mon 17:00 - 18:30 Danielle's School of Dance

welsim@hotmail.com

Mon 18:45 - 20:30 MLM Adult Ballroom

maggiegeorge@gmail.com

Tue 10:00 - 11:00 Pilates

sgatherer@hotmail.com

Tue 13:00 - 16:00 Women's Institute

susansprig@gmail.com

*(2nd Tuesday of the month)*

Tue 14:00 - 16:00 U3A Handbell Ringers

*(1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month)*

Tue 19:15 - 20:45 Private Hire

Wed Morning Morning - Hall Cleaning

Wed 14:00 - 16:00 U3A Disco Group

*(2nd Wednesday of the month)*

Wed 14:30 - 15:30 U3A German Group

*(1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month)*

Wed 17:45 - 20:00 Brownies

lbunkle@yahoo.co.uk

Thur Morning **Available for Hire**

Thur 13:45 - 14:45 Moving 2 Music f-abs

sheilabache@sky.com

Thur 19:30 - 21:00 Coddington History Group

iturner@coddington.org.uk

*(3rd Thur in Month)*

Fri Morning **Available for Hire**

Fri 13:30 - 16:00 U3A - Funtography

*(Last Friday of Month)*

Fri Evening **Available for Hire**

Sat 09:00 - 11:00 Private Hire

Sat 16:00 - 18:00 Church of God Choir Practice

*(2nd & 4th Sat of Month)*

Sun 10:00 - 13:30 Redeemed Church of God

Sun Evening **Available for Hire**

**Available for Hire at other times**

**Bookings taken for Children's Parties**



## CODDINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE

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Email - office@coddington.org.uk

Mon	09:00 - 11:00	Cook Stars	Jess	07423593550
Mon	09:30 - 10:15	Pilates	Karen	07495077068
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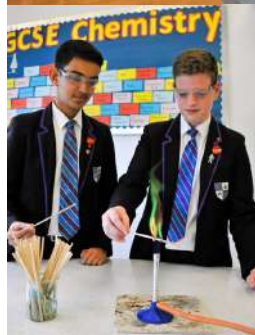


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## Coddington Community Centre

Hello Everyone,

The Community Centre is coming up to 20 years old, bookings are looking good with a few daytime spaces available and weekend party bookings coming in on a regular basis.

As mentioned earlier in this edition Tritax have agreed to support some of our projects.

Firstly, you may not realise but we are not on mains drainage, we have a waste water treatment system which is getting old. When it was installed it was up to date with technology but now there are better options and ways of doing things. We will be replacing the processing equipment.

When the building was originally completed there was no path from the rear of the main hall to the safe area, this will be put in place.

The bridge access to the school was not in place, this was put in after completion of the Community Centre using funds donated to the school. As such the access area where people stand was not fully prepared for the foot traffic that it now receives. This will be sorted out to make accessing the school entrance cleaner and easier. We will also be linking this foot area with the path at the front of the building improving disabled access to the school.

As we do not need an external hot water tank of the size that we have this will be replaced with 2 more locally sited water heaters which will reduce our operating costs.

We have more projects that we would like to get done, let's finish the ones we have first.

As usual we are looking for help in the decision making area of our Community Centre. The Trustees meet every 2 months for about an hour and a half to discuss what is going on behind the scenes with respect to the management of the facility. Occasionally there may be something to do in addition to this but not very often. Being a trustee and volunteering can be a useful item on your CV, additionally we can give you an understanding about what it takes to run a building of this nature.

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## Warm Thanks as Beaumond House celebrates the successful opening of its new Charity Discount Store in Newark

Beaumond House Hospice Care would like to extend heartfelt thanks to everyone who came along to the opening of its brand-new Discount Charity Store on Sherwood Avenue, Newark.

The opening event, held on Thursday 3rd July was a wonderful celebration of community support, with customers arriving to grab a bargain while backing their much-loved local hospice. The ribbon was officially cut by Beaumond House trustee and director, Ian Phillips, who has been involved with the hospice for over 30 years.

Speaking at the opening, Ian said:

“It is very poignant that we are standing here today in a unit once owned by John Oldham, who for so many years was a stalwart of Beaumond House. I am sure he will be looking down on us delighted at this latest step to expand our income generation.

The shop, which marks our fifth retail outlet, is a key part of Beaumond House’s strategy to help bridge the gap between rising operational costs and limited government funding.

We have recognised that expanding our retail outlets gives us the regular income we so desperately need to meet our day-to-day expenses.”

Visitors were among the first to explore the new shop’s range of discounted items, all while helping to raise vital funds for hospice care. The store will also play a big role in the hospice’s sustainability efforts by enabling the retail team to better manage stock and extend its repurposing offering.

The Beaumond House team would like to thank all who attended, donated, and shopped with them on their opening day and can’t wait to welcome the local community through the doors in the weeks and months ahead.

The Discount Store is located at Richardson House, Sherwood Avenue, Newark NG24 1QF and the current opening hours are Tuesday- Saturday, 9.00am–4.00pm

# Countdown on to Newark Dragon Boat Festival

## Returning for its 6th Year

The Newark Dragon Boat Festival is back for its sixth sensational year, set to take place on Sunday 14th September 10am-5.30pm at the scenic Riverside Park. This beloved community event brings together thrilling boat races, live entertainment, and family-friendly fun – all in support of two local charities close to many hearts: Children's Bereavement Centre and Beaumont House Hospice Care.

This year, the festival welcomes an exciting new addition organised by Jack Brett at Radio Newark Amplified, showcasing a fantastic lineup of local talent and some fresh acts, including:

- Rainmaker
- Larkin Road
- Matt Shephardson
- Rock Choir
- Justus2wo
- AJ's School of Dance

The stage will be buzzing with energy throughout the day, celebrating Newark's vibrant creative scene and offering something for everyone – from toe-tapping tunes to uplifting dance performances.

In addition to the thrilling dragon boat races on the River Trent, visitors can enjoy a wide range of activities and attractions, including inflatables, traditional fairground stalls, Total Wipeout-style games, and an amazing selection of local food and drink vendors.

The Newark Dragon Boat Festival has become a cherished annual tradition, uniting the community in fun and fundraising. Proceeds from the event go directly to supporting local families.

There's still a chance to be part of the action! A limited number of dragon boat entries are still available, so why not gather your friends, family, or colleagues and take on the challenge?

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## **D & J's TEA & COFFEE MORNINGS**

Whether you are a newcomer to the village or a long time resident I can heartily recommend dropping in for a cuppa at D & J's Tea & Coffee on a Friday morning, between 9.15. & 11.15. Although I had lived in the village for a while I had spent my time working in either Leeds, Newark or Lincoln and had not really got to know my neighbours or indeed the village. This was despite our excellent village news, however the knowledge gained from this is nowhere nearly as good as actually meeting people and finding out about things – and I have always been a “people person”.

So, when I retired, I decided to visit the Community Centre one Friday morning, and the rest – as they say- is history. The atmosphere is relaxing and fun, I have met many very friendly people over the years and learnt a lot about Coddington, made many new friends, have become involved with some of the residents and their activities, which greatly enhanced what I had learnt from the village news.

Debbie and Joanne make a great effort to create a friendly atmosphere and provide an interesting layout and décor, I particularly love the crockery which is very interesting, plus, of course the coffee and, on occasion, someone brings cakes! Within this environment I have found it easy to become interested in new activities based within the village, such as a chair-based exercise class, short mat bowls (plus playing dominoes there) and doing craft (and chattering) at one of the several U3A groups that meet there.

So, whether you would like to say a quick hello and grab a “cuppa”, have a good old natter, meet some more of your neighbours, or find out what is going on, do come in and support the enterprise. What a shame it's only during term time. We look forward to seeing you. Fred Reed



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## **CODDINGTON WI QUARTERLY REPORT**

### **July 2025**

The numbers of ladies attending since April has been steady.

In May there was no speaker as it was the Annual General meeting, whereby members were invited to vote on this year's WI Federation resolution, 'Bystanders can be Life Savers'. In short members were called on to increase public confidence and training in the delivery of CPR and to help improve access to defibrillators in our Community.

In June, The motion from the meeting in May was passed, and so we had a talk, and demonstration on resuscitation and the use of a Defibrillation machine.

In July, our speaker was a lady who was passionate about her skill of sewing. She talked about the history of employment in this industry from an early age, to her retirement and beyond. She brought many samples of her work, which members were able to buy. Questions were answered and tips given.

Coddington WI fully support Beaumont House Hospice in Newark. We have members who volunteer at the Hospice and the Shops in and around the Newark area. Every month at our meeting we collect 'Pennies for Friendship'. A collection tin is passed round and if you wish, you can help raise funds for the Hospice by giving any spare coins you may have in your purse. It is surprising how it mounts up.

We will continue to hold raffles and make donations for our chosen charity is Beaumont House Hospice in Newark.

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Luke has been thriving in the kitchen, with midweek deals like any sandwich and a side for just £10, or any 6 tapas for £30 being a huge hit. The return of the burger of the week has been keeping things interesting for our regular customers, as well as a recent update on the menu to keep the tapas both fresh and seasonal. Over the coming months we will see the return of themed nights, such as pie night and steak night making a comeback.

Keep an eye out on our socials for the Christmas menus - they'll be dropping in early September, so you can pre book your tables in advance. There will be classics on the main menu, as well as seasonal tapas like pigs in blankets!

Again, a massive thank you to Charlie, Luke and their team for making our lovely village pub a warm and welcoming atmosphere, serving good beer and even better food!

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### **PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS DATES**

<u>DATE:</u>		<u>VENUE:</u>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	19:30	Coddington Community Centre
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	19:30	Coddington Community Centre
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	19:30	Coddington Community Centre

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