

Do you have any memorabilia about Cotgrave ?

A group of interested members from both Cotgrave Local History Society and Cotgrave district U3A are currently engaged in researching the history of the village. Both groups have previously had presentations on aspects of Cotgrave and have visited sites associated with the village's history.

Readers may be aware of various events/activities that Cotgrave has endured throughout the centuries including the Saxon burial grounds, plague epidemics, changing fortunes/uses of churches, the Marl-pit extraction for Cricket ground use and more recently the rise and then demise of the Colliery in four decades.

The project is currently researching different interests about Cotgrave such as the Saxon connections, history of the churches, old street names, the generations of Cotgrave families, census information etc. In addition we are also attempting to gather the 'social history' of the village via the memories, photographs, stories and articles from/about local families.

This is a mammoth project to undertake and the task of gathering information and documentation requires many skills in order for the acquiring material to be catalogued, verified (if possible) and stored (archived) for future reference or use by present and future generations.

If anyone is interested in assisting in any way with this project be it word processing, trans-scribing information, copying documents/photographs, up-loading to a dedicated website, researching, censuses or local archives we would be very pleased to meet with you. Alternatively if anyone has material that they would like to donate or loan to the project but not be personally involved in the project that would still be fine.

Once the website is established you will be able to follow the progress and development as will people from around the world and this will hopefully 'open up' additional material from past residents of Cotgrave.

Please contact either Paul Childs or Malcolm Baxter at the email address – CotgraveU3A@hotmail.com

Or visit the website- www.cotgraveu3a@weebly.com