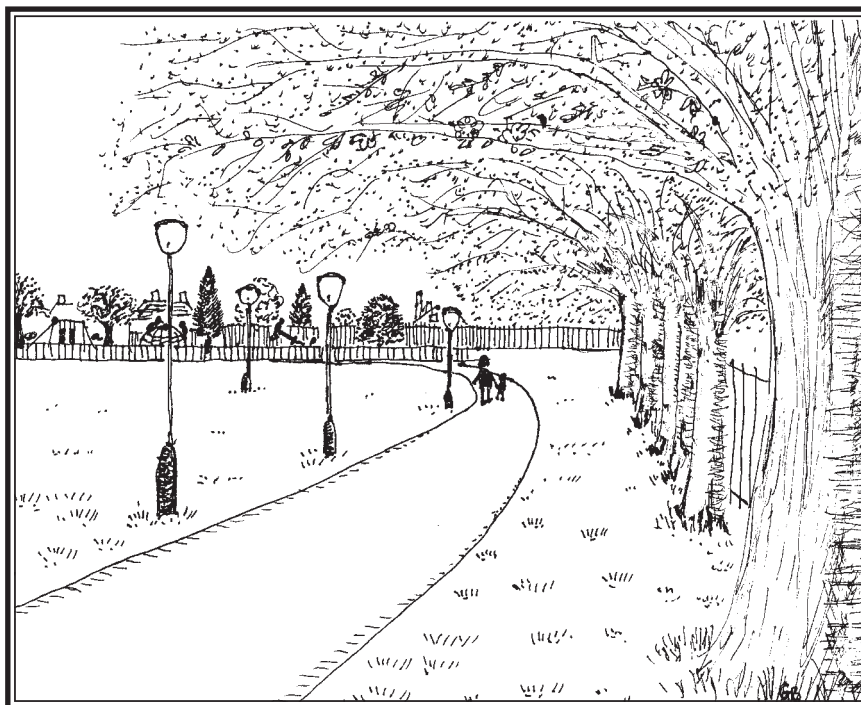




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## EDITORIAL

*Another month brings a further international event with the passing of the Holy Father in Rome, which has touched the whole world.*

*Let's hope we can continue the breaking down of the barriers which he had begun.*

*Enjoy the good weather!*

*Anna Morley*

*Editor*

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I am obliged to use a scooter to get around the village. It is a pleasant stroll out for me to come through the playing field to get to the library, or doctor's surgery. Unfortunately some people park their cars on the car park space which blocks the exit from the playing field path, which means that anyone with a wheelchair, push chair, or in my case, scooter, cannot get through. Perhaps there could be a yellow line showing that this is not a parking space, although I do feel that any considerate person should see for themselves the problem they cause.

Yours sincerely,  
"Scooter User"

Dear Editor

### **Grid locked Hagley**

When is house building in Hagley going to cease? Over the last few years, we have seen a dramatic increase in developments, which have put an enormous strain on the village resources, especially on our inadequate road system.

Turning right out of Church Street can be very difficult, due to large articulated vehicles parked outside the shops, obstructing the view of traffic coming up the village.

The building of 60 odd houses on the old sewage works is causing chaos for the residents of Milestone and Cavendish Drives with a regular flow of 40 ton lorries in and out of the site on a daily basis. The roads and kerbs too are suffering and breaking up, with potholes appearing everywhere. This site was started in February 2004 and is not due for completion until December 2005. No wonder that so many houses are up for sale or rent in this area as residents have had enough.

With new houses in Sweetpool Lane, Brake Lane, The Sidings (by the station), Worcester Lane, Cavendish (sewage works), and the proposed developments in Woodland Avenue, and Park Road, we shall be at gridlock. There will also be the problem of extra traffic generated when the Haybridge High School is doubled in size.

Is it not time that Worcestershire County Council Highways Partnership and Bromsgrove Planning Departments got together to sort out this mess (which they are responsible for creating in the first place) and stopped any further developments in the area.

Yours faithfully,  
Mr. P.J. Brace



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### HAGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

#### CCTV

Two new CCTV cameras have been installed in the area of the playing field. These will add to those already there to combat vandalism and anti-social behaviour. It will also show the incidence of littering and dog fouling. Hagley Parish Council is grateful to Graham Rocke of Community Safety at BDC for all his work in helping us obtain these additional cameras.

#### Summer Planting

The hanging baskets will soon be adorning the lamp posts along Worcester Road. Please assist us in keeping the village looking welcoming and clean.

#### Annual Parish Meeting

Apologies to any residents who turned up at the wrong venue. If you missed the meeting but had a question to ask, please let me know.

Catherine Humphries  
Clerk to the Council



### CLENT PARISH COUNCIL

Items of interest from the approved Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, February 21st 2005.

#### PARISH PLAN

Work is continuing with the collated information being assessed.

#### PLANNING MATTERS

The Council raised no objections to the following applications:

- 2005/0035 – Ext. – 6 Newfield Road
- 2005/0078 – Garden Room - 18 Newfield Road
- 2005/0087 – Ext. – The Oaks, Broome Lane
- 2005/0134 – Ext. – 16 Pinewoods Avenue
- 2005/0179 – Pt. Dem. and Reconstruct – 1 Worcester Road
- 2005/0183 – Ext. – 24 Worcester Road

#### PARISH VERGES

Western Road - a) Council will increase the area of grass cutting. b) Rubbish has again been dumped in the lay-by. The Council will ask HPU about the possibility of filling the area in.

#### HIGHWAYS

A456 – request for speed restriction to be extended beyond Broome Lane/Stoney Lane junction. Acknowledgements have been received from West Mercia Police and the Highways Agency. Issue is being pursued.

Notice Board – an order has been place to replace the board in Newfield Road, which has been vandalised.

Pinewoods Avenue Traffic Calming Measures – HPU has advised that the public notices will be issued on 6/4/05.

Clerk to the Council, Tel: 886269



The family of the late Jack Middleton wish to thank all friends and acquaintances for the sympathy and kindness shown to them in their very sad and sudden loss. Thank you to all who attended the service at St. John's Church on February 10th and for the very generous donations received for the Abbeyfield Support Group and the Hagley Scout Group



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Hagley is participating in training so that members of the Watch who feel their quality of life is being impaired by theft, vandalism or anti social behaviour may have the camera and equipment set up, on loan, to provide evidence on video.

Cameras are small and not obtrusive. All members will be encouraged to display a CCTV sticker with their circular Watch disc. We hope that this will act as a deterrent to the thief or vandal who will not know which house is operating the CCTV and hopefully will move away to avoid the risk of detection. I will give further news in the forthcoming Watch Newsletter.

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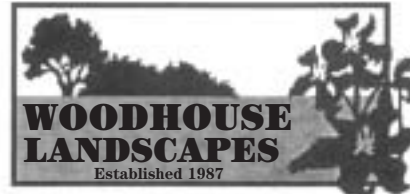
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## CLUB REPORTS

### AFTERNOON W.I.

Mr George Hook, the speaker at the March meeting, was most informative on the production of articles made from mother-of-pearl. In a very amusing talk he gave the history of his, now very small, company from its establishment in 1824 by the first George Hook through succeeding generations of "George's" to the present day. He brought the raw materials of his trade and showed members the process by which the oyster, abalone and other shells are turned into beautiful pieces of jewellery, buttons, spoons etc. This proved to be a stimulating, very informative, and definitely humorous afternoon!



Members also enjoyed "A Horticultural Exercise" in April. At the 9th May meeting there will be discussion of resolutions followed by a display of memorabilia and anecdotes of the second world war provided by members to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the ending of the war in Europe on 8th May 1945. A visit to Birmingham for a conducted tour of the many places of interest in this amazing and historical city will take place on 16th May.

Members are always pleased to see new faces as visitors or prospective members. Hagley Afternoon WI meets on the second Monday in each month, 2pm at Hagley Community Centre. Why not join us to see if this WI is what you are looking for?

Megan Bury

### EVENING W.I.

Our speaker for March - Mr Fletcher on "The Life of Roy Castle" - was excellent, moving us from laughter to tears with consummate ease.

April's speaker told us about Birmingham Botanical gardens, and on Wednesday, May 18th we will be discussing the W.I. resolutions for this year, namely:- Care of our Environment and Farmgate Milk Prices, both subjects will no doubt, promote lively discussion.

On the wider scene, several of our members attended the Annual Council Meeting at Malvern, and reported on what a brilliant meeting it was, with three excellent speakers, one of whom was Nick Owen of BBC "Midlands Today" fame. The meeting was highlighted by a wonderful send-off to the retiring County Chairman, Suzanne Owen, who has been outstanding over the past three years. Mrs Chris Marriott will be taking over the role, and we wish her every success.

Back to our own activities; there is a walk and a lunch planned at N.T. Dudmaston Hall, with further similar events to come throughout the year, and casual "drop in" lunches locally for members to enjoy meeting informally.

All in all, plenty going on! If you would like to be part of the scene, join us at any of our main meetings on the third Wednesday of every month, and find out more about us!

Joan Ellis

## CLUB REPORTS



### HISTORICAL AND FIELD SOCIETY

The March meeting of the Society saw the welcome return of Mr Ralph Richardson to give an illustrated talk on The Sheldons of Beoley. The Sheldon family originated from Rowley where they had made their fortune from coal in the 15th century. This enabled them to purchase a country estate at Beoley, a village near Redditch. Throughout the 16th and 17th century the family prospered mainly through astute marriages into wealthy families. The remarkable achievement during this period was that the family managed to remain Catholic during the upheavals of the reformation. They had a small chapel built, attached to the side of the village church, in which the Catholic rites could be performed. This can still be seen today together with the magnificent family tombs in the church itself.

Today the family's main claim to fame is probably their pioneering of the production of tapestries in England during the 16th century. The secret of the method of manufacture they obtained by spying on the producers in Flanders. Examples of Sheldon tapestries still exist and can be seen displayed in the V&A museum and at Warwick Castle.

The next meeting of the Society is on Tuesday May 3rd at which Mr Tim Bridges will talk about, "The Hore Collection of Medieval Tile Paintings". Visitors and new members are all welcome at St. Saviour's Church Hall at 8pm. Visitors £1.50 including refreshments.

Malcolm James



### ROTARACT CLUB

April started with a spectacular event, our 25th Anniversary Ball at the Pine Lodge in Bromsgrove. All our ball organising efforts paid off with a wonderful meal, interesting and concise speeches and a brilliant disco. On the 9th the group went to Halfpenny Green Vineyards and enjoyed a guided tour around the vine groves and a wine tasting session. The next day some of the group played a couple of games of badminton at the Crystal Leisure Centre to blow the cobwebs away. On the 15th many of the group had a swinging time at the Sunfield Jazz Night. Two days later one of our members organised a lovely seven-mile walk around Clent and I am sure the numerous pubs gave the group many deserved breaks. The weekend after we had a birthday party for one of our members where we took full advantage to celebrate with lots of gorgeous food and drink. The last weekend a group went to the National Conference held in Bristol where they all had a brilliant time.

We have various events planned in May including badminton, clubbing, a walk around Kinver and an aquabox party to raise funds to send water filtration equipment to disaster areas around the world. Due to the refurbishment of the Lyttleton Arms we have a change of venue, details given on our website [www.hagley-rotaract.org.uk](http://www.hagley-rotaract.org.uk).

If you would like to come along to a meeting, please contact Dave West on 07753 181600 or [hagley@rotaract.org.uk](mailto:hagley@rotaract.org.uk).

Katrina Attewell



## CLUB REPORTS



### GARDENERS' CLUB

We welcomed Adrian James from Kidderminster in March with his wonderful slides of six historic gardens. His knowledge of the gardens was well researched and made for a very interesting evening, visual and mental.

May 23rd is our Annual Plant Sale open for everyone to visit us and partake of a drink and take the opportunity to buy plants grown by our members. Plants are sold from 8.00 p.m.

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Judy Berrow

### HAGLEY WIVES AND WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP



We have had some superb speakers this year and we still have a number of good evenings ahead.

On 10th May we are taking a trip to the Kidderminster Salvation Army Citadel.

This will be with shared transport within the group so if you would like to come along you will need to let us know, so we can arrange a lift for you.

On 24th May we have one of our starred speakers, Ina Taylor, who will be coming to tell us all about the McDonald sisters. These ladies from Bewdley did very well indeed, giving birth to Stanley Baldwin and Rudyard Kipling and marrying Edward Burne Jones and Sir Edward Poynter. Perhaps you were lucky enough to see the open day at Wilden Church earlier this year when the Burne Jones windows were on display together with the Baldwin silver. Now you have a chance to hear more about the ladies and their lives. We meet at St. Saviour's Church Hall at 8pm. Do come.

Toni Allison

## CLUB REPORTS

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Performances will be staged at the Community Centre on Friday 20th May and Saturday 21st May at 7.30 p.m. Tickets cost £6.00 (£4.00 concessions) and are available from the Ticket Secretary Felicity Rudge on 01562 882233 or from the shops Philip C Paddock Butchers and the Spar. Please note that there is some strong language, so this production is not suitable for young children.

We are very keen to see more new members. If you are interested in any aspect of theatre including acting, stage management, props, prompting and even running the bar then please contact our chairman Paula Knight on 01384 894655.

Tony Forrest



### ART CLUB

This month the Club evening is on Friday 13th May having the unusual title 'Art, My Ramble Through Everything'. Peter Heathcote will be our visitor, and it should be an interesting evening. We meet in St Saviour's Church Hall commencing at 7.30 p.m.

This month we will also have a new venture of a Grand Table Top Art Sale in Hagley Free Church Hall, Saturday 21st May 10am – 4pm. See separate entry in this issue. It is appropriate to hold this in the Hagley Free Church Hall as this was the venue of our Annual Exhibitions when the Club first started sixteen years ago.

Looking to June, the subject will be 'Animals in Pastel', a demonstration by Lyn Peebles.

I take this opportunity of reminding members that subscriptions for this year are now due, the fee is the same as last year of £15.00.

Alan Pritchard  
(Hon. President)

## **CLUB REPORTS**

### **Rambler Scouts**

On June 11th 2005 a team from Hagley will be attempting the 'Three Peak Challenge', climbing the three highest peaks in the United Kingdom, Ben Nevis, Snowdon, and Scafell Pike within a 24-hour period. The driving between the mountains takes 10 hours, leaving 14 hours to get up and down!

Are they mad? Is it a mid-life crisis?

No, it is part of a fundraising event for Hagley Rambler Scout Group. This group currently caters for 54 young lads from Hagley, aiming to provide constructive pursuits, teach practical skills and introduce the lads to the great outdoors. We also aim to promote a positive view on life, encourage teamwork whilst developing individuality, and teach respect for other people.

Unfortunately the scout hut is in disrepair and needs significant investment to make it a safe environment for young people. Specifically the hut needs rewiring, the roof needs repairing, new toilets need installing to enable girls and disabled scouts to join in, and a wheelchair ramp needs to be constructed to the front door. The group also needs to replace its leaky marquee, for sanctuary on rainy camp days.

As Akela of the cub pack, I will be taking on the 3 Peaks Challenge and would be grateful for any support in the form of sponsorship. Forms are available at Hagley Surgery. This is also a direct appeal to local businesses to support our scout group. Hagley has a great community spirit, but we need the community to help us provide opportunities for Hagley's youngsters.

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David Richards -  
Akela, Hagley Ramblers Cubs

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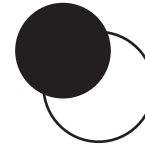
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## CLUB REPORTS

### MOTHER'S UNION

On Tuesday 17th May, the Diocesan Festival will be held at St. Thomas with St. Luke's Church in Dudley at 7.30 p.m. Bishop Peter Selby will be giving the address. I hope you will be able to attend.

At our monthly meeting on Thursday 19th May at 2.30 p.m., our speaker will be Jean Swift, who will talk to us about her trip with Mothers Union to Peru. This should be a most interesting talk, so please come and join us.

The next Diocesan Council meeting is to be held at St. Saviour's, Hagley on May 25th from 9.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. The meeting is open to everyone so do come and join us, even for a short time.

Judy Plant

### LADIES PROBUS CLUB

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At our March meeting Mrs Joy Pinder, a primary school headmistress gave a very interesting and entertaining talk on "Entertaining the Queen".

Other dates for the Diary:

May 26th – Mrs Pat Boyd – "And the Bride wore...."

June 23rd – Members meeting – general discussion.

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On Thursday, May 19th we are fortunate enough to have tickets for a concert at Birmingham Symphony Hall. Please note the date change from our more usual 2nd Thursday in the month.

The following Saturday, the 21st May, we have all been invited to share in the celebrations of Halesowen Trefoil for their 50th Birthday. Congratulations will most certainly be the order of the day – one to which we can look forward.

Elizabeth Gingell

## CLUB REPORTS



### WEST HAGLEY FOOTBALL CLUB

Presentation Day this year is on Saturday 11th June. Last year's was great fun and enjoyed by children and adults alike. It starts at 2.00 p.m. on Hagley Park and will finish at around 11.30 p.m.

This is a fun day out for all the family and we welcome everyone to come along and have a great day - if you're not part of the football club, it doesn't matter, we'd love to see you.

Presentations will be given out at staggered periods throughout the day and in addition to this there will be plenty of activities to keep the children amused.

Activities will include a bouncy castle, family entertainer, ice cream van, face painting, lucky dip, music, BBQ, sweets, licensed bar, penalty shoot out, speed gun, assault course, soak the coach, raffle, disco and much, much more!

Please come along to support West Hagley Football Club. We've had a great season and this will be a fantastic ending to 2004/2005. Last year we raised enough money to replace all the mini-soccer goals – please, lets make this the best fund-raiser ever!!

If you wish to know anymore about West Hagley Football Club, please contact Karen Hanson on 01562 882767.

Karen Hanson  
Club Administrator

#### Editor's Note:

Congratulations to the boys of the under 8 team coached by Simon Eales and Keith Clift, who have just won their division of the Central Warwickshire League.

## CHESS CLUB

### MATCHES:

#### WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION TWO (GREG VOSKANIAN - CAPTAIN)

11th March - Home versus Kidderminster - Lost 11/2 - 31/2

Whilst losing to a strong club like Kidderminster is not entirely unexpected, given our recent form we had hoped to perhaps gain a draw. Tony Boyle winning on Board 4 and Peter Keate drawing on Board 1 gave Hagley the very respectable scoreline.

A thank you to Greg for doing an excellent job as Captain of the Worcestershire League Team this year; also thanks to Reg Beasley for a similarly stoic job as Captain of the Dudley & District League Team.

### MEMBERSHIP

Our Season closes in May and we re-open in September, however we would welcome any new members, from beginners to hardened professionals. If you would like to know more please contact Martin Borley - 01562 884399

### Coaching & New Recruits

The Club offers coaching to all members.

**Tip of the Month:** "En Passant", it's a brave dance to perform in front of your King.

Martin Borley  
Assistant Secretary



## SCHOOL NEWS

### HAGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Many exciting events have been happening at school. Year 6 students had a fantastic time with a talent contest organised by themselves and a Pyramid Arts Festival which took place on 18th March. It was great to see so many children from all schools working together! Year 5 had a wonderful time at PGL, Ross on Wye, despite the cold weather!

Our fund raising events are always successful and these include £590 raised for UNICEF Day of Change, £506 for Comic Relief and we continued to add to the £4000 already raised for the Tsunami Appeal with a photographic opportunity with Russell Holt, WBA's goalkeeper! Thank you to all who have contributed.

We still maintain our link with the school in the Gambia and Staff visited in February to complete a photographic assignment to finish resource books to be used in all 6 participating schools. Again fund raising within the school allowed Staff to take funds with them to buy much needed items and all this was mentioned at an enjoyable evening with the ladies at Broome WI last month.

Our popular Spring Fayre on the 14th May will be set up on our new playground for all to see so come along and enjoy the days activities! Our 'Walk to School' week is planned in May too and hopefully will encourage people to see that this will stop congestion outside school and create a safer environment for our children!

Jane Pitt



### CLENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Fund raising for the Tsunami appeal has now come to an end.... altogether the children raised £516, which was 'cash matched' by the PTFA, and then a further £200 was donated by Cadbury, to give a marvellous total of £1232. Thank you to every one who supported the various fund raising activities.

All parents were recently invited to attend Parent Consultation Evenings, which gave the opportunity to discuss each child's progress in detail. Also we regularly have a visiting Governor who observes the school day and looks at the work produced by the children. Our school is currently full, although we have a few spaces left for children to start in September 2005.

We are working on a plan for our school grounds now that all the building work is completely finished. John Rhymer, a teacher from Bishops Wood Environmental Centre is advising us, and we hope in time (with assistance of weekend working parties) to have a pond, quiet area and an adventure playground all well established.

If you would like more information on our school at Clent please ring 01562 730668 for a prospectus and/or an appointment with the Headteacher, Mrs Barbara Turner. Our email address is enquiries@clentfirst.worcs.sch.uk

Broome Nursery (in the grounds of Clent School)

If anyone is interested in joining of visiting our nursery you will be made most welcome. Please contact us on 01562 731667.

Bonnie Harvey

## SCHOOL NEWS

### HAGLEY RC HIGH SCHOOL



In March, Hagley RC High submitted its completed application for Specialist School Status in the Visual and Performing Arts. There has been tremendous support from parents, members of the school community and local business which has enabled the school to raise the £50,000 sponsorship required.

During March a group of parents arranged a Fashion Show in school and a wide range of clothes were modelled. We are grateful for the support of numerous major retail companies. A designer donated a formal evening dress which was auctioned during the evening and purchased by Hilary Nelson Parker.

In July we are planning a Summer Evening Picnic in school with live music to celebrate the talents of our students.

Other impressive achievements this term: Year 10 boys Matthew Davies, Boromeus Wanangkirtyo, Carrig Sulemann, Patrick Hill, won a prestigious design award run by The Audi Design Foundation and they are now representing their region in the national finals.

The school was also highly commended in a design competition organised by Thomas Vale Construction Ltd and was awarded a sum of money.

Nine bronze, seven silver and eight gold certificates were gained in the recent UK Mathematics Challenge. Of particular note are: Sinead Thomas, Sarah Price, Daniel Griffin, Peter Read who gained Gold Awards with such a high score they were selected to take part in the 'European Kangaroo', a one hour maths paper of puzzles taken in 25 countries on 17 March.

David Phillips who gained a Gold Award and "best in school" is in the top 500 Mathematicians of this age group in the country. He has qualified for the Maths Olympiad paper of two hours.

Oliver Preston won the Parliamentary History Essay competition. His prize was a guided tour of the Houses of Parliament, a cheque for £150, books and a magazine subscription for the school.

On 10th March was the annual Spring Concert, a tremendous event, demonstrating the wonderful talents and abilities of our pupils.

V.Shaw

## Playgroup

We have been busily planting our sunflower seeds in preparation for our annual sunflower growing competition. With lots of warm sunshine, water and tender loving care, we hope to see great results.

We are in the midst of our Health & safety Topic, and are looking forward to visits from the Road Safety Officer, and our friendly local Policemen, to talk to the children about these very important issues.

There's always lots going on but if you would like to know more about us, you are most welcome to drop in at the Community Centre (mornings only), or telephone Sharon Gould on 01562 882433.

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## The Parish of Hagley St John the Baptist with St Saviour

**MAY 2005**

### **Hagley Parish Music Festival**

The organizers of the Hagley Parish Music Festival would like to thank all the businesses in the village which supported this recent event through sponsorship and by taking advertising space in the music festival programme. The Festival was a great success and would not be possible without the generous support of our local businesses.

### **Coffee Mornings at St John the Baptist**

Summer coffee mornings (held on the first Wednesday of the month) will start at St John's Church from 4 May. The format remains the same with organ music played from 10.30 am and speakers following on at 11.00 am, plus plenty of opportunity to meet friends. Everyone is very welcome to come along.

### **Pentecost Service - Sunday 15 May**

We are pleased to welcome parishioners from Wollaston to our service for Pentecost at 5.00 pm in St Saviour's Church on 15 May. Michael Willows, Vicar at Wollaston will be retiring and we will take this opportunity of a joint service to wish him the very best for his retirement. Everyone is very welcome and there will be refreshments afterwards.

### **Christian Aid Week - 15 to 21 May**

The Commissioning Service for Christian Aid collectors will take place on Sunday 8 May, 6.30 pm at St Saviour's. Collectors will be making door-to-door collections throughout the week.

Canon Fred Willcox will be celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of becoming a priest at the 10.30 am Parish Communion service, St Saviour's on 22 May.

### **MAY SERVICES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>
1 May Saints Philip and James		Morning Praise <b>St Saviour's</b>	Holy Communion <b>St John's</b>	Evening Prayer <b>St John's</b>
8 May Ascension I	Holy Communion <b>St John's</b>		Morning Prayer <b>St John's</b> Holy Communion <b>St Saviour's</b>	HADAC Christian Aid Service <b>St Saviour's</b>
15 May Pentecost	Holy Communion <b>St Saviour's</b>		Parish Family Communion <b>St John's</b>	Youth Led Service <b>5.00 pm</b> <b>St Saviour's</b>
22 May Trinity Sunday	Holy Communion <b>St John's</b>		Parish Communion <b>St Saviour's</b>	Evening Prayer <b>St John's</b>
29 May Trinity I	Holy Communion <b>St John's</b>		Parish Communion <b>St Saviour's</b>	Evening Prayer <b>St John's</b>

## CLUB REPORTS

### RUACH KARATE CLUB

At the last black belt grading, in March, Hagley had great success with 4 members who regularly train at Haybridge Sports Centre attaining the coveted Black Belt. They are: James Hanson, Stewart Halligan, Jack Tattersal and Geoff Beswick.

Jack Tattersal is under 12, and a resident of West Hagley, so this is an achievement of which the whole village should be very proud. In the Kumite (Sparring) he was up against a star pupil from Birmingham. Initially he had to weather the storm from a well planned series of attacks but then decided it was his time and replied magnificently.

Stewart Halligan is the father of Samuel Halligan who is the youngest person in the UK to attain his Black Belt. Stewart is now, after attaining his Black Belt, venturing into the Karate Instructor field and we all wish him well. Oos Sensei!

Just one other announcement: the Head of Ruach Karate who now takes the training at Hagley attained his 6th Dan in January 2005. I am sure that everyone in and outside of the Club will congratulate him on this incredible achievement.

The Club has at present, on offer, a Taster Course for new members or those wishing to try it out first before committing themselves. The cost is £20 for five lessons. Training is at Haybridge Sports Centre - Hagley at 7.00 p.m. on Monday nights.

The Club's website is: [www.karate-training.co.uk](http://www.karate-training.co.uk) where you can find further details.

R. Bache.

### TENNIS CLUB

Why not consider joining Hagley Tennis Club? Members of this small local club have again enjoyed a great year of friendly and enjoyable tennis with local matches, social events, meals out and a fun summer barbecue.

The teams have again had a very successful winter league including our newly formed and popular mixed 'C' team. Our summer league began in April. We will again be visiting the Next Generation Club in Brierley Hill; good fun and a reminder of how high fees can be in comparison with the Hagley Tennis Club membership!

If you fancy a game of tennis at any level, you are welcome to come along and visit us on one of our summer American Tournament afternoons. You do not have to be a member, the afternoon is open to all and includes some free refreshment!

Sunday 8th May at 2.30 p.m.

Sunday 12th June at 2.30 p.m.

Sunday 17th July at 2.30 p.m.

Sunday 18th September at 2.30 p.m.

Or contact the membership secretary, Lindsay Cross, on 01562 883344

Sue Mitchelson

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### TAKE HEART

#### SEASONS IN THE WYRE FOREST

We look forward to Sylvia's second talk on the Seasons of the Wyre Forest, and are sure it will be just as fascinating as the first.

by Sylvia Sheldon

Monday May 9th @ 7.30 p.m.

at

The Briars Hotel, Habberley Road, Kidderminster  
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Experiences"*

An illustrated talk by  
Michael Leach

# MAY DIARY

MONDAY 2

**Playgroup**

Community Centre 9.00 a.m. – 12 noon  
Mondays to Fridays (not Thursdays)

TUESDAY 3

**Historical and Field Society**

St. Saviour's Hall 8.00 p.m.  
"The Hore Collection"

WEDNESDAY 4

**U3A**

St. Saviour's Hall 2.00 p.m.

THURSDAY 5

**Wyre Forest & District Centre**

Community Centre 8.00 p.m.  
"The Ones that Worked"

**Clent Hills Singers**

Free Church 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 6

**Country Market**

Community Centre 8.45 – 11.00a.m.

**Chess Club**

Free Church Hall 7.00 p.m.

MONDAY 4

**Parish Council**

Community Centre 7.00 p.m.

**Stourbridge Speakers' Club**

Talbot Hotel, High Street, Stourbridge

TUESDAY 10

**Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship**

St. Saviour's Hall, 7.45 p.m.

Church Visit

THURSDAY 12

**Clent Hills Singers**

Free Church 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 13

**Country Market**

Community Centre 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

**Chess Club**

Free Church Hall 7.00 p.m.

**Art Club**

St. Saviour's Hall 7.30 p.m.

"Art, my Ramble Through Everything"

SATURDAY 14

**Hagley Primary School**

'Spring Fayre'

MONDAY 16

**Parish Council**

Community Centre, 7.00 p.m.

TUESDAY 17

**Evening W.I.**

St. Saviour's Hall 7.30 p.m.

"Resolutions"

THURSDAY 19

**Clent Hills Singers**

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 20

**Country Market**

Community Centre 8.45 - 11.00 a.m.

**Chess Club**

Free Church Hall, 7.00 p.m.

**Historical and Field Society**

Social Evening

SATURDAY 21

**Art Club Sale**

Free Church 10.00a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

MONDAY 23

**Stourbridge Speakers Club**

Talbot Hotel, high Street, Stourbridge, 7.45 p.m.

A.G.M.

TUESDAY 24

**Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship**

St. Saviour's Hall 7.45 p.m.

'The McDonald Sisters'

WEDNESDAY 25

**Gardeners' Club**

St. Saviour's Hall 8.00 p.m.

Annual Plant Sale

THURSDAY 26

**Clent Hills Singers**

Free Church 7.30 p.m.

**Ladies Probus**

The Talbot, Chaddesley Corbett, 12 noon

"And the Bride Wore...."


FRIDAY 27

**Country Market**

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**Chess Club**

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