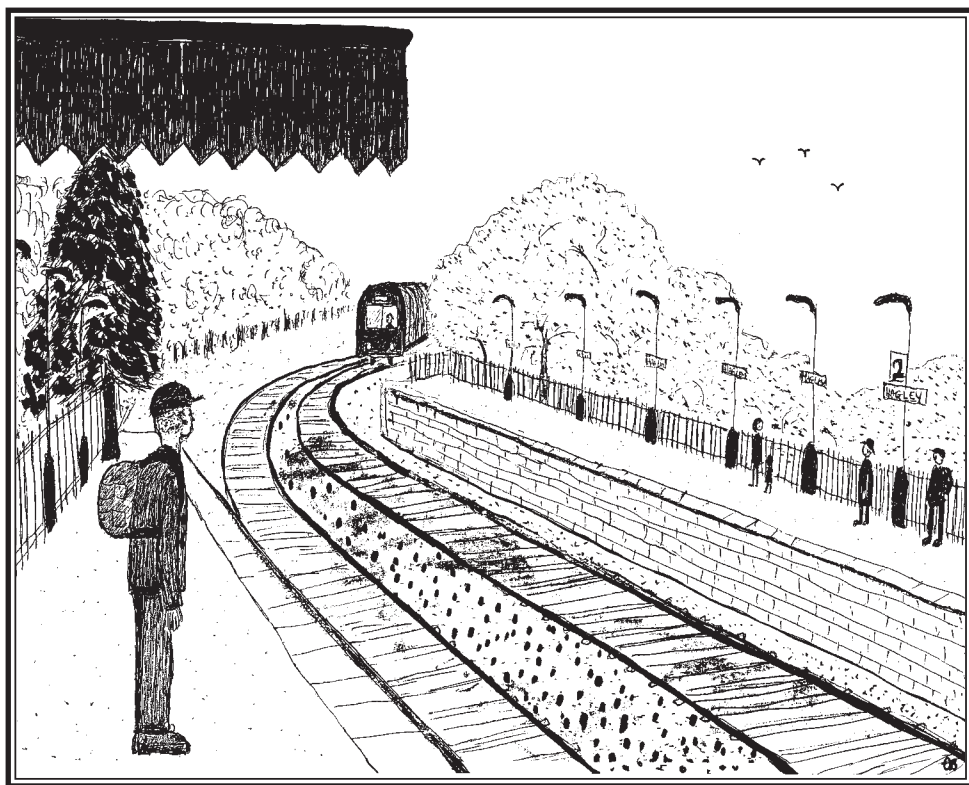


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EDITORIAL

Summer is here at last! It will soon be holiday time, (after GCSEs in our house!)

There have been several letters recently regarding the new developments in Hagley, another this month. I have also received a response from our District Councillors, see page 7. On page 39 we have a report on the Parish Plan, also important to keep us updated and take our views into consideration. Letters are always welcome on any local issues.

Good luck to everyone sitting public exams this summer.

*Anna Morley
Editor*

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Regarding development in Hagley - when will it cease?

We now have approximately 50 new (monstrous) apartments on Birmingham Road opposite Bromsgrove Road, with extra traffic coming out onto this main road. Plus extra pedestrian traffic lights approximately 50 yards from the main Birmingham Road – Stourbridge Road junction. I presume these traffic lights were put up to allow people from the new apartments to cross the road to get to the Post Office/shop, but with good planning, they have now shut the Post Office. If you now require a Post Office, it is a mile away and without a car, one has to rely on a local bus service every 1½ hours.

One wonders who does this planning?

Mr. P. Darwell.

Dear Editor

We, your local District Councillors, would like to reassure Mr P J Brace, who wrote to last month's News that since July 2003 there has been a moratorium (called SPG10) on granting permissions for new housing in Bromsgrove and therefore, for the time being at least, Hagley in particular will not have to suffer from newly granted housing. Sadly SPG10 cannot be applied retrospectively, hence the various developments underway at present in Hagley.

Furthermore, we must point out that virtually all the recent permissions granted such as on the Sewerage Farm, The Sidings and Birmingham Road were rejected by Bromsgrove District Council (led by your local Councillors – both District and Parish). The reasons for the rejections included the grave concerns over traffic congestion mentioned by Mr Brace. However the applicants went to appeal and the various Government Inspectors sadly saw fit to approve them, over the heads of your democratically elected representatives.

Furthermore, especially in the case of the Sewerage Farm development, no conditions were applied by the inspector controlling the construction phase of the development.

A number of applications in the District have already been rejected under SPG10, including a recent large application in Park Road to replace three homes by 46. We are pleased to report that so far the Government inspectors have not overruled any of these decisions at appeal.

We are happy to confirm that the District Council andd Worcestershire County Council work closely together on all planning applications so that traffic congestion, for example, is always considered before a decision is made.

Yours faithfully

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We also plan to install a cycle rack in Victoria Passage, just behind the telephone box.

Playing Fields

The grass on the playing fields has been reseeded now that the football season is finished and additional CCTV cameras now cover this area. Drainage works are in progress to improve the condition of the ground at the back of the field. Further planting is also being carried out on the boundaries of the field.

Allotments

We have arranged for the land at the bottom end of the allotment site to be turned over and made available for more plots for rent, so if you are interested in taking an allotment please give me a call.

Catherine Humphries
Clerk to the Council



CLENT PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH PLAN

progress is being made with the committee now meeting weekly.

PLANNING MATTERS

The following application was granted by BDC: 2005/0035- Ext. - 6 Newfield Road

The Council raised no objections to the following applications:-

2005/134 - Ext. - 16 Pinewoods Avenue; 2005/0223 - Porch ext. - 40 Newfield Road.

HIGHWAYS

Western By-passes - there is a proposal to re-instate the route in the Black Country Sub Regional Study. Council has objected. Pinewoods Avenue Traffic Calming - Public Notices will be issued 6/04/05.

STREET LIGHTING

The Council is investigating where would be most appropriate to install a new lamp in Western Road.

COUNCIL AS AN EMPLOYER

A Staffing and Appeals Committee have been formed.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Council was pleased to welcome nearly 40 residents to the meeting. Oonagh McClean from the District Council gave a very informative talk on the new Local Development Framework, which will replace the Local Plan. Mrs Turner, head of Clent Parochial Primary School, outlined the plans for celebrating the 300th Anniversary of the school this year. Residents, during the Open Forum, asked a number of questions.

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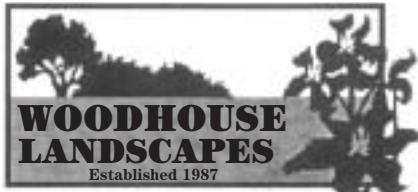
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AFTERNOON W.I.



The April meeting brought Mike Oliver with "A Horticultural Exercise". This was an entertaining afternoon with a great deal being learnt about plants while completing a multiple choice quiz. The afternoon closed with everyone taking cuttings and then planting them up! Instructions on how to look after them were given and it is hoped that the degree of success will be shown later in the year when members bring the plants to a meeting! Members are most grateful to Mike Oliver for giving his time and expertise to provide an enjoyable afternoon.

May 9th brought Discussion of Resolutions - on "Care of our Environment" and "Farmgate Milk Prices". Following the discussions a display of memorabilia and reminiscences to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the end of the war in Europe was given. A 'Fish and Chip Lunch' was enjoyed on 31 May. Then, "A visit to Japan" is the subject of a talk on 13th June.

Members take part in events at County level - either enjoying them or working to provide them! Lunch with Paul Cook speaking on "The Road to Chelsea", a Buffet and Concert at Hartlebury Castle, and a visit to Llangollen are among the events.

A Coffee Morning will be held at the Free Church in August. This is an enjoyable event so why not put Saturday the 6th August in your diary.

Hagley Community Centre is the venue for meetings on the 2nd Monday in each month at 2.00 p.m. All are welcome either as prospective members or as visitors.

Megan Bury

EVENING W.I.

In April we had an interesting illustrated talk on the history and workings of the Botanical Gardens by Mr Nex, formerly one of the gardeners.

Eight members attended the Group Meeting at Romsley and Hunnington W.I. which was most enjoyable and we were served delicious cakes with our tea and coffee. Also in April some members went on a walk at Dudmaston Manor followed by lunch in a local pub.

We have recently started a luncheon club, which met for the first time in March when some ten members met at the Station Inn in Hagley. We have now decided that we will meet on the last Friday of each month at a venue to be decided at the monthly meeting.

Four members attended the County Resolutions meeting in Worcester.

A Scrabble afternoon was played in May at a member's house.

Our next meeting on 15 June at 7.30 at St. Saviour's Church Hall will be: Super Sandwiches - different ways to make them and sample tasting by Miss Halpen. All visitors will be made most welcome.

Liz Knight

CLUB REPORTS

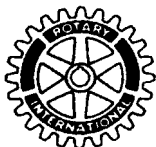


HISTORICAL AND FIELD SOCIETY

The History of Smethwick was the subject of Miss Mary Godfish's talk at our April meeting. Miss Godfish described how this hamlet, for centuries only a small part of the parish of Harbourne, became one of Britain's major manufacturing towns. The change came about with the building of the Birmingham canal in the late 18th Century. This gave the area access to the coal and minerals of the Black Country. The route of the canal passed through Smethwick making it an ideal site for the location of the factories of the new industrial revolution. In 1776 Boulton and Watt built their Soho Foundry there to manufacture steam engines. They were followed, throughout the years, by firms whose names became world famous, such as Chance Glass, Avery's, G.K.N., Tangye's and many others. As a result of this industrialisation the population of the town grew from a couple of thousand in 1801 to over fifty thousand in 1901; consequently during this period the town became independent of Harbourne and eventually acquired County Borough status. Much of it's industry has now gone and it is now a part of Sandwell, but it's past history is something to admire and of which to be proud.

The next meeting of the Society is on Tuesday June 7th; at which Mr A. Lound will talk about "Titanic - The Return of a Dream". Visitors and new members are all welcome at St. Saviour's Church Hall at 8.00 p.m. Visitors £1.50 including refreshments.

Malcolm James



ROTARY CLUB

At the end of March we held our Cabaret Night in Hagley Village Hall. Over 140 people attended and we all enjoyed the hilarious Black Country comedians called Dandy. The evening included a fish and chip supper, and we raised £1,300 for local charities.

In mid-April we had our long weekend away at the Hotel de la Bere in Cheltenham. The weather was beautiful and we visited local manor houses and gardens, including Sudeley Castle. Our wives enjoyed shopping in Cheltenham, and the hotel not only provided superb meals but also an excellent wine tasting session.

On 15th June we are holding a charity golfing event at Churchill and Blakedown Golf Club, so if you can organise a team of four to play, or provide company sponsorship, please contact Ted Rayment on 01562 884494.

We are in the process of organising an important Jazz Concert at Birmingham Symphony Hall on Friday 2nd September and we have now booked the Scott Hamilton Quartet, the Bryan Corbett Quartet and pianist Ray Bryant. This is by far our biggest charity event and we want to fill the Hall with up to 2,000 people, so please help us by calling Derry Millington on 0121 358 6218 for further information and tickets.

If you are interested in finding out more about Rotary, give me a call on 07966 116612, then come and join us for a free dinner one Monday evening at the Stone Manor Hotel.

David Dewhirst

CLUB REPORTS



GARDENERS' CLUB

Ken and Toni Whittaker entertained us with their usual mixture of knowledge and light-hearted repartee. Madeira is a beautiful island, brought to life by Ken in April.

We are in for a real treat on June 22nd when Christine Peer visits us with plants from her garden. This is a must not only for garden lovers but also for those interested in flowers for arranging. Christine is a florist but don't think this is a flower demonstration; it's not. She is a delight to listen to and will tell you all about the flowers she brings and stories behind their introduction. We have waited three years for an available date for her to visit our Club she is so popular on the circuit.

A few places are left for our outing on Saturday June 11th to Bryan's Ground and The Wimble Nursery and garden in Herefordshire. Bryan and David were the designers for the Van Kampen Gardens (Hampton Court Gardens) in Herefordshire so it will be interesting to see their own gardens.

Please contact Judy Berrow for details. Tel: 01562 777014.

Reminder - The Village Show - 3rd September 2005: The more entries, the more successful and interesting the Show.

Visitors are always welcome to the Gardeners' Club. You don't have to be a gardener to enjoy our company and we have excellent Talks and Outings. For information tel: 01562 777014.

Judy Berrow

HAGLEY WIVES AND WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Our month begins on 14th June when Geoff Gough from "Heart Start" will be giving us a demonstration and instruction on how to perform CPR. You never know when you may benefit from this knowledge in an emergency so do join us at St Saviour's Hall at 8.00 p.m. There will be a chance to "have a go" on a dummy, so come prepared in casual wear.

Another very different evening for our members Own Evening this year with no participation, just enjoyment! This will be a musical evening with shared supper in our groups and will be held at our usual venue at 8.00 p.m. on June 28th.

Our very exciting programme for 2004-2005 culminates with our AGM on 12th July when we will reflect upon our year together and will welcome our new Leader Pat Porter and her committee. Do bring along any suggestions for future events.

Toni Allison

CLUB REPORTS



HAGLEY ART CLUB

ART CLUB

There are many different materials that can be used in pictorial art and it is the policy of the club to feature all these in our programme. For June we have *Animals in Pastel*, a demonstration by Lyn Peebles. This will be in St. Saviour's Hall, Friday 10 June starting at 7.30 p.m. Whether you paint in pastel or not, Animal Portraiture must be the same whatever medium you use as it is necessary to work rapidly in getting a likeness to the subject. The June meeting will cover this aspect.

For July there are two items in the programme. The usual Friday evening, 8 July *'My approach to Watercolour'*, a demonstration by Catherine Brennan and the next day, 9th July, we have a Summer Workshop at Ironbridge with Dave Gunning. Details about this workshop will be sent out in a mailing in good time.

The Tuesday afternoon practice sessions still continue at Churchill Village Hall. The cost for 2 hours is only £1.50. We need a few more members in attendance to cover the cost. It is a sociable way of making ourselves paint as there are so many distractions at home preventing us from picking up brush, pen or pencil.

Alan Pritchard
(Hon. President)



ROTARACT CLUB

Over the May Bank Holiday the group had a brilliant time at the National Rotaract Conference in Bristol with activities such as the masked ball, fancy dress disco and seminars on martial arts. The weekend after we had an interesting tour around the Halfpenny Green Vineyards. On the 11th we had a joint publicity meeting with Rotary, which doubled our effectiveness. On the 19th the group attended Halesowen Rotaract Barnardo's Salsa Night where even the two left-footed people had a great time. The next weekend started with a fabulous Leamington and Warwick Ball followed by the Halesowen Hockey District games. On the 28th we had a day trip to Cheltenham where we had the added bonus of meeting the local Rotaract group.

In June we have many great events planned. On the first Sunday we are holding a school district games competition. The next weekend we have a planned walk around Henley and Stratford. Then on the 12th one of our members is hosting an Aqua Box party where we collect items that may be useful in global disaster areas to fill the water filtration boxes. On the 25th there will be a day trip to Ludlow and then on the 28th we are planning to have our AGM at the Mount Hotel, Clent.

Due to the refurbishment of the Lyttleton Arms we have a change of venue, details given on our website www.hagley-rotaract.org.uk. If you would like more information, please contact Dave West on 07753 181600.

Katrina Attewell

CLUB REPORTS

TAKE HEART

WYRE FOREST HEART SUPPORT GROUP

On June 13th, Sally Mansfield, the Specialist Cardiac Rehabilitation Nurse at Kidderminster Hospital, is coming to talk to us about her role in the rehabilitation of heart patients. Sally is a godsend to all who have been through the system in the Wyre Forest Area Health Authority over the last ten years. Three years ago, as part of a continuing rehabilitation programme for heart patients, Sally started the very successful Stride and Stroll walking group which meets every Saturday at different venues in north west Worcestershire. This regularly attracts 50-60 people each week and on Saturday 4th June we have our third anniversary picnic walk at the Severn Valley Country Park at Alveley.

Sally's talk will be at The Briars Hotel, Habberley Road, Kidderminster at 7.30 p.m. Light refreshments will be available, admission £2. No smoking.

Brenda Jones

Senior Citizens Club

A warm welcome awaits you at the Free Church Hall on alternate Tuesdays at 2.30 p.m. The Senior Citizens Club is a group who enjoy each others company for just a chat or a game of cards and tea with home made cakes. Throughout the year there is occasional entertainment, an outing and a Christmas Party.

New members are always welcome. Next dates for your diary: June 7th and 21st. July 5th and 19th. Do come along and join us.

Christine Millington 882844

Sheila Munden 885040




TREFOIL GUILD

Fine weather for the April walk was a bonus. We thank Marjorie and Ron for their planning of the route and their generous hospitality when we all returned.

Chris and Ray host the barbecue on the evening of Thursday June 9th at 7 o'clock. Bring your own choice of food to cook and also something to share. The Barbecue meeting has always proved popular in the past and we look forward to it.

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LADIES PROBUS CLUB

We held our AGM on April 28th. It was a happy and interesting meeting. Betty Long was elected and installed as President for the coming year 2005/2006 and she was wished every happiness in her new position.

On May 26th we had an enjoyable talk by Mrs P. Boyd. "And the bride wore.....".

Dates for the Diary

June 23rd: Members open meeting. There is no speaker, it is an occasion for members to air opinions and come up with new ideas. The meeting is held as usual at The Talbot, Chaddesley Corbett.

July 28th: Mr Michael Hall, Quinton.

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Sue Davis



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Away from the group for two months because of family illness I caught up with activities by reading the end of year reports which, again, made me realise how diverse we are and how well all our interests are catered for.

The theatre group have seen plays as different as Miller's 'Crucible' and Ayckbourn's "Season's Greetings", as well as the musical "Blood Brothers" and the all male "Swan Lake" and many others, while visits have included Bletchley Hall and Highgrove with Compton verney and the Nuclear Bunker at Hack Green planned for the future.

Such variety suggests adaptability which was called on when the May meeting unhappily coincided with a funeral audible in the church hall where we meet. The speaker had to present a shortened version of her talk on a Month in Venice so perhaps it was fortunate that she is one of our members and could share in the animated conversations and tea with which the time was filled before she could begin to show her slides and give her interestingly idiosyncratic view of that beautiful city.

Eileen Wormald

CLUB REPORTS



HAGLEY FREE CHURCH CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Our celebrations continue with popular events and we welcome you to join us on the following dates.

- **Saturday 11th June – The West Midlands Police Male Voice Choir.** For many years we have been entertained by this very fine Choir and we are very pleased that they are happy to support us again in our Centenary year. Start 7-30 p.m. Tickets £4, concession £3.
- **Saturday 18th of June – Orchestra.** The Pupils and Friends of Cynthia Downes and Marjorie Davies present a concert of solos and orchestral music including, by special request, The Toy Symphony. Start 7.30 p.m. Tickets in aid of the Free Church £4, concessions £3.
- **Friday 24th to Sunday 26th June – Flower Festival.** Come and see the Church decorated with flower displays presented by the various groups who give opportunities for people to find friendship. Refreshments 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 11.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Sunday.
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Frank Harper

MOTHERS' UNION

On Thursday, 16th June, we will be holding our annual garden party at 36 Middlefield Lane at 2.30 p.m. Please pray for good weather. As usual, if wet, we will hold it in the church hall! We hope everyone will come and join us. If you need a lift contact Jean Pardoe or Judy Plant.

Judy Plant

SCHOOL NEWS

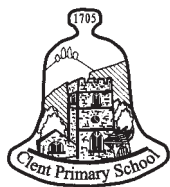
HAGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

April and May have been busy months for the school; the Spring Fayre was a great success and thank you to all who helped and also all who visited. KS2 were involved with a fabulous Bhangra dancing workshop with the help of Jag, the Bhangra teacher, and all the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves!

Our School Choir has also been busy, not only did they sing at St. John's Church with the Madrigal Group as part of the Parish Music Festival but they also did their yearly performance for the Hand of Friendship Group at the Free Church.

Other news for May was Mr Bailey's visit to China. The LEA and the Director of Education invited him along with a small group of heads to help develop links with Worcestershire in the Jiangsu Province in the city of Yangzhou. Also nearer to home, our new wing has been opened by Adrian Chiles, broadcaster and we are looking forward to work starting on the new playground equipment.

Jane Pitt



CLENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Over the past month there have been a number of highlights. Many congratulations to Mrs Mari Jones who has recently been appointed as Headteacher to Ombersley First School. Mrs Jones will be taking up her post in September of this year, and whilst we will all miss her, we wish her well in her new post.

Our football team lost their recent return match against Lickey Hills Primary School three goals to one. Lickey had obviously trained extra hard since their defeat at Clent earlier in the term! Our next football match will be against The Coppice Primary School.

Swimming lessons for Years 2/3/4/5 and non-swimmers in Y6 have resumed for the summer term at the Dolphin Centre in Bromsgrove. These lessons are always very much enjoyed by the children and most end the term with distance badges.

We are working hard to raise additional funds for new adventure play equipment. The school council has agreed that each class will have a different fund raising project during a series of 'Fundraising Fridays'. More on this in next month's report!

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 or visiting our nursery you will be made most welcome. Please contact us on 01562 731667.

Bonnie Harvey

SCHOOL NEWS

HAGLEY RC HIGH SCHOOL



NETBALL

Congratulations to the U13 Netball team who finished as runners-up in the Hagley U13 Memorial Tournament. Team members were: Rachel Brooks, Hannah Kinney, Sacha Shipway, Anna Toner, April Diviney, Catherine Booth, Serena Ramnial, Katie Blunt.

Congratulations to the U16 Netball squad who won their U16 District Tournament after a very close final match. Team members were: Alex Connolly (capt), Laura Westwood, Anna Feddon, Helena Whild, Vicky Higgs, Laura Percy, Sarah Connaughton, Louise Sloan, Stephanie Burgess.

Special congratulations must go to Stephanie who has recently been selected for Engalnd Squad training.

TRAMPOLINING

This has been a very successful year with a resounding number of trophies won at the County Schools' Trampoline Championships.

Many of the squad progressed to the Midlands Championships and five qualified to the Zonal Schools (Southern England and Wales). Charlotte Crowley (Year 10) Helena Whild (year 11), Jessica Handley (Year 10), Kate Matthews (Year 9) and Alexandra Byrne (Year 9).

Special congratulations should go to Charlotte who qualified to the nationals in Port Talbot where she competed against eight others for the top position in Great Britain in the U15 closed age group.

V. Shaw

HAYBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL



Anybody who has visited us recently will notice that the building programme is now underway. The offices and reception have now moved to a temporary set of mobiles at the opposite end of the school and it is very much business as usual. It will not be long before sections of the main building will be knocked down and then the building work will really gather momentum. The forthcoming examinations will of course take precedence and no disruptive work will take place during this period.

Away from the school, nearly 40 of our students recently travelled to the White Mountains of New Hampshire for the school's annual ski-trip. They were led by Mr Corden and Mrs Hitchcock and had a hugely enjoyable time. The weather was excellent and the students were able to develop their skiing skills while also having a very relaxing break from the pressures of exam revision and coursework. They were commended for their superb behaviour and astounded the staff with their bravery in tackling some of the most difficult slopes.

May 9th marked the 60th anniversary of VE day and Haybridge High School celebrated this event with a concert to mark the occasion. The event was organised by our head of History Steve Whiley and was a wonderful variety of music, drama and memories from people who lived through this extraordinary time. It was a tremendous success and greatly enjoyed by all those who attended.

Ed Mayell



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JUNE 2005

Re-Dedication of St John's Organ, Sunday 19 June

Following recent work on St John's organ, in memory of Jean Yates and Leonard Round, it is our intention to re-dedicate the organ on the occasion of the Patronal Festival on 19 June. Plans have yet to be finalized, but it is possible that an organ recital will replace evensong on that evening, to be given jointly by our organist, Paul Evans and Rector Richard Newton.

Reporting Service for Bishop Simeon Trust – Sunday 26 June

Beginning in 2001 the Parish has been fundraising for the Bishop Simeon Trust, which supports disadvantaged black communities in post-apartheid South Africa. So far this year, from June 2004 to June 2005, funds totaling £4,100.29 plus gift aid have been raised. Plans are in hand for a party from the congregation to visit some of the projects which have been supported by Parish fundraising in October this year. Do come along to our Reporting Service on Sunday 26 June, 10.30 am at St John's to focus on this commitment.

Mothers' Union Garden Party – Thursday 16 June

Everyone welcome to attend the Mothers' Union Garden Party which will take place at 36 Middlefield Road at 2.30 pm. There will be a raffle and stalls.

Fretted Orchestra Concert – Saturday 25 June

The Midlands Fretted Orchestra, which performed at the Hagley Parish Music Festival will be returning to Hagley for a concert on 25 June, in St Saviour's Church, 7.30 pm. Tickets are £6.50 (£4.00 concessions) and can be obtained from Gethin Davies on 0121 472 7438.

JUNE SERVICES

Date	8.00 am	9.30 am	10.30 am	6.30 pm
5 June Trinity 2		Morning Praise St Saviour's	Holy Communion St John's	Evening Prayer St John's
12 June Trinity 3	Holy Communion St John's		Morning Prayer St John's Holy Communion St Saviour's	Evening Prayer + Friends of St John AGM St John's
19 June Patronal Festival	Holy Communion St Saviour's		Parish Family Communion St John's	Festival Evensong St John's
26 June Trinity 5	Holy Communion St John's		Parish Communion St Saviour's	HADAC Youth Service Free Church

CLUB REPORTS



WEST HAGLEY FOOTBALL CLUB

As we approach the end of a long season, it has proved to be one of our best ever – certainly as far as the junior section is concerned!

Congratulations are due to our U8s, U9s (both teams) and U10s for winning their respective leagues. Our U9s and U10s both won the cup as well - so we have two double winners this year!

The U11s only lost their cup final on penalties, and our U12s and U13s are fighting hard to preserve their premier league status within the Central Warwick's league.

In addition to the many team trophies, both Bryon Boxer and Ryan Brunt have received contract extensions at Birmingham City. Well done to them both!

Only last week our U12s beat Birmingham City 1-0 with a superb effort from Richard Peniket.

Finally, a thank you to our forty-five coaches and managers who have made our season what it is. Without their tremendous enthusiasm and commitment, the club simply would not be where it is today.

Clive Rushton
Chairman

WEST HAGLEY CRICKET CLUB

The season started at the end of April with an exciting, narrow, one wicket win away at Barnard's Green. With our last pair at the wicket, man of the match Tom Boden (73 not out) hit a six off the next-to-last ball to win the game.

The midweek side also had a good home win v Bewdley.

The 2004 awards were presented at the annual dinner in march to Tim Hayden (clubman), Neil Stiff (batting) and Tom Long (bowling).

July Sunday fixtures include away trips to Mishaps at Neen Sollars (3rd), Bidford on Avon (10th) and Kempsey (24th) plus the return Bidford match on the 31st.

Andrew Long

NOTICES

HAGLEY PARISH PLAN

Congratulations to Rebecca Fenton who is the winner of the 'design a logo' competition and to the two runners-up Sam Evans and John Cooper.

The Committee thought Rebecca's entry was particularly colourful and was instantly recognisable as being associated with Hagley. Her design, shown below, will be given pride of place in the final plan.

Many thanks also go to all those who entered the competition but were unfortunate not to win.

Work on the Parish Plan has reached the final consultation stage. The Committee are at the point of organising the design and printing of the draft document by a professional body. When this is completed access will be made available for comments to be received from residents and wider stakeholders. This will give everyone the opportunity to see how comments received over the last 18 months have been incorporated in the overall plan and what recommendations are made to address issues of concern.

We hope to make copies of the plan available from July and it is envisaged that the official launch will be in September 2005.

We will publicise the plan as widely as possible and would encourage as many residents as possible to read the plan and make comments before it is finally launched.



In the meantime continue to watch this space.

Steve Colella
Hagley Parish Plan

CLUES FROM THE PAST: THE HISTORY OF HAGLEY'S CHURCHES AND THEIR RECORDS

Exhibitions will be held on Saturday/Sunday 16th/17th July 2005 at St. John's, St. Saviour's and Hagley Free Church between 11.00 & 17.00 hrs on Saturday, and 14.00 to 17.00 hrs on Sunday.

The members of the Free Church, in Worcester Road, are celebrating their centenary this year and will set out the origins of the church and its subsequent development.

St. Saviour's Church, also in Worcester Road, is nearing its centenary in 2008 and will be taking the opportunity to describe the thinking and the preparations that led to the building of this church.

St. John's Church in Hall Drive is the oldest church and has in one form or another existed from Saxon times. The records from the Parish archives will be the basis of displays on people & places, education in the 19/20th centuries, and family history research, also the conservation over 25 years.

Guided tours of the church are planned explaining the development of the building from the 11th century through to the present, pointing out the details to be seen from the Norman period and the Decorated period, as well as the three stages of 19th century building work.

Margaret Henderson 01562 884788

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We look forward to seeing you all, and thank you for supporting the Stour Valley Cat Rescue

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HAGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE, WORCESTER LANE, HAGLEY ON

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Admission Free 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

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Tea and Coffee available. To include various charity stalls.

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*Please come and enjoy some art in a
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JUNE DIARY

WEDNESDAY 1

Playgroup

Community Centre 9.00 a.m. – 12 noon
Every Monday to Friday (not Thursdays)

U3A

St. Saviour's Hall, 2.00 p.m.

THURSDAY 2

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 3

Country Market

Community Centre 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

TUESDAY 7

Historical and Field Society

St. Saviour's Hall 8.00 p.m.
'Titanic – the Return of a Dream'

Senior Citizens' Club

Free Church Hall, 2.30 p.m.

THURSDAY 9

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 10

Country Market

Community Centre 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

Art Club

St. Saviour's Hall, 7.30 p.m.
'Animals in Pastel'

TUESDAY 14

Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship

St. Saviour's Hall, 7.30 p.m.
'You Never Know When You Will Need It'

WEDNESDAY 15

Evening W.I.

St. Saviour's Hall, 7.30 p.m.
'Super Sandwiches'

THURSDAY 16

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 17

Country Market

Community Centre, 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

TUESDAY 21

Senior Citizens' Club

Free Church Hall, 2.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 22

Gardeners' Club

St. Saviour's Hall, 8.00 p.m.
'Pleasure from Plants'

THURSDAY 23

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

Ladies Probus Club

The Talbot, Chaddesley Corbett, 12 noon
Members' Meeting

FRIDAY 24

Country Market

Community Centre, 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

TUESDAY 28

Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship

St. Saviour's Hall, 7.45 p.m.
'Our Own Evening'

THURSDAY 30

Clent Hills Singers

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