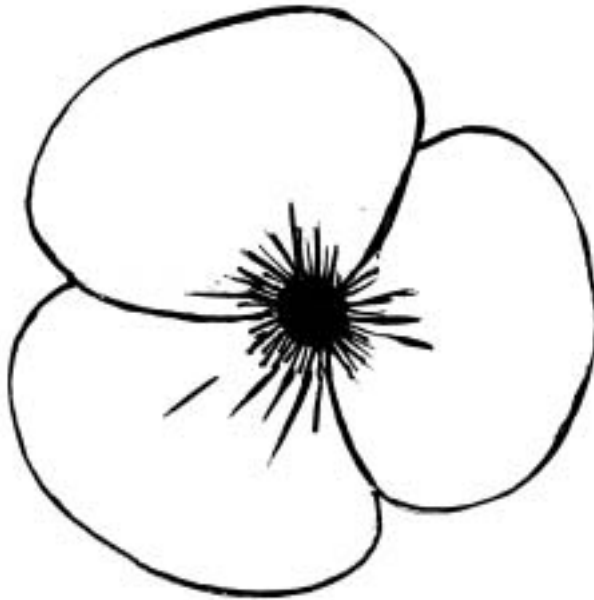


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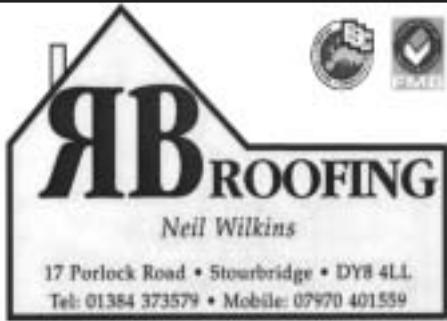
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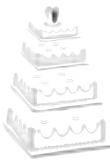
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*How quickly the year has flown by! Here we are again, in November, starting to think about Christmas - although the shops have been ready for much longer. We are all looking forward to the Christmas window displays and the lights around the village. Don't forget any neighbours who may be lonely or housebound as the weather turns.*

*This month the new Licensing Laws come into effect, see page 10.*

*Anna Morley  
Editor*

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

### Traffic Chaos in West Hagley

Traffic congestion in West Hagley has been all too evident for some years and especially on Worcester Road B4187, part of which forms the village shopping street, where congestion too frequently reaches saturation level.

Nevertheless, measures by Worcestershire County Council as local highway authority to alleviate such traffic congestion have been to date conspicuous by their absence. In fact in this regard we residents of West Hagley are still awaiting a long outstanding response from Mr Rob Sykes, Chief Executive, Worcestershire County Council.

Thus again it begs the question, precisely how does Worcestershire County Council as local highway authority intend to resolve this problem of intolerable traffic congestion in West Hagley. Hopefully a substantial response from the local highway authority will now be forthcoming.

Yours sincerely,

J.H. Gemmill



### HAGLEY CUB SCOUTS CHRISTMAS POST

The Hagley Cub Scouts will be delivering the Christmas post in Hagley village again this year. This important local service to the community is also a vital part of the group's annual fundraising activity.

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### Christmas window competition

This year we want as many businesses as possible to be part of decorating Hagley for Christmas. There will be a panel of judges, but we want residents' views on the best dressed window. Look out in next month's news for details of how you can vote.

C. Humphries  
Clerk to the Council



## CLENT PARISH COUNCIL

**Items of interest from the approved Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, August 15th, 2005.**

### PLANNING MATTERS

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### RECREATION AREA

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### CENTENARY FIELD

Proposed Cricket Pitch – Council has now sent copies of the Ecological Report and an updated Method Statement to the county council.

### FOOTPATHS

Reports have been received that footpaths are being restricted, some by 'white tape' and others have been padlocked. Landowners are reminded that Footpaths/Bridleways are Public Rights of Way and should always be usable by the public.

### PARISH PLAN

The Council approved the Executive Summary and the action plan sections of the document. The final document will be in landscape format and quotations for printing are being sought.

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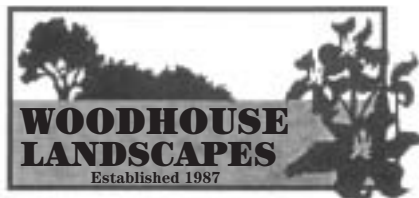
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### AFTERNOON W.I.



The postponed and re-venued Coffee Morning held on 27th August was a great success, with plenty of goodies to buy and coffee and good friendship to be enjoyed. Members were apprehensive as to whether the change of date would affect the outcome, and were delighted that the event went so well.

A series of walks throughout the summer continues into the autumn and until it is too inclement to venture out! A walk and lunch at Arley Arboretum took place on 12th October.

On 9th August several members visited Frogmore House and Windsor Castle with others from the Hagley Group of WIs. It was a beautiful day with Frogmore and Windsor looking at their very best. Thanks are due to Group Convenor, Anne Quinney, for organising this most enjoyable day.

At the September meeting Dr Eric Bowers spoke on the History of Corbett Hospital. His talk was both informative and amusing and of great interest to those who had used the hospital and newcomers to the area.

Members and friends of Hagley Afternoon enjoyed a conducted coach tour of the Cotswolds on 26th September. Michael Thompson MITG was the guide who gave many insights into this pretty and quaint area which all thought they knew well, but realised how little they really knew!

10th October saw a talk on "Living at St. Martin-in-the-Fields" and November brings the Annual Meeting. Prospective members and visitors are welcome at meetings at the Community Centre 2 p.m., 2nd Monday in each month. Please come!!

Megan Bury

### EVENING W.I.

We would like to thank our members for their support on the cake stall at the Village Show; it was much appreciated.

Our November meeting is on Wednesday 16th with a speaker to be arranged – for further details please see our poster in the WI showcase outside the village chemists.

In the meantime several of us will be attending the Autumn Council Meeting at Stourport, and a wine tasting evening at Sainsbury's Kidderminster on the evening of November 22nd.

Our monthly lunch will be at the pub at the Land Oak, on Friday 28th. All wishing to attend, to meet in the village car park at 12.15 p.m.

Visitors are always welcome to any of our events.

Joan Ellis.



## CLUB REPORTS



### HISTORICAL AND FIELD SOCIETY

The meeting on Tuesday September 6th saw Mrs. Rae Fowler give a talk entitled, "Secrets of a Worcestershire Village (Burcot Uncovered)". Mrs Fowler explained how the talk had evolved from the researches carried out for a Millennium project to do a sort of modern Doomsday Book for the village of Burcot. The information unearthed provided an interesting history of the village; its buildings and some of its previous inhabitants. The talk was illustrated with a series of excellent colour slides showing many of the interesting buildings some of which dated from the 17th and 18th Centuries: some of the grander houses were built in the late 19th Century with the arrival of the railway which allowed wealthy Birmingham people to live away from the smoky city. Like many villages modern Burcot has seen great changes with the conversion of many farms and workers cottages into modern residences. Mrs. Fowler pointed out that despite constant references to Burcot as a village, it had no church and was therefore, technically, only a hamlet. It had once had a shop and a pub but now had neither. The next meeting of the Society is on November 1st at which Mr. John Hemmingway will talk about "Mapping The Past". 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

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Meetings are the second and fourth Monday of the month at the Talbot Hotel, Stourbridge 7.45 p.m. for 8.00 p.m. Guests are always welcome.

Sue Davies

### BOOK CLUB

Wednesday November 9th: A really contemporary issue this month, reading about and discussing 'Immigration'. This could be experiences of immigrants in this or other countries, in any age. Good modern examples might be 'Small Island' by Andrea Levy and 'Brick Lane' by Monica Ali.

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Dave Pettit

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HAGLEY ART CLUB

## ART CLUB

November is the culmination of a years' activity when we have our 16th ANNUAL EXHIBITION of members' work in the Community Hall, Friday evening 18th and all day Saturday and Sunday 19th & 20th November. More details below. I can remember a remark made to me awhile back by someone in the community, 'this is not just an Exhibition, its a village event'.

The Friday evening club meeting for this month in St. Saviour's Church Hall, is a week before the exhibition, November 11th, when we have a local artist, Nigel Hemming to give a presentation *A Biography with Slides and Paintings*. Usual time 7.30 p.m. Visitors are welcome for a small charge.

Alan Pritchard  
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## Hagley Art Club



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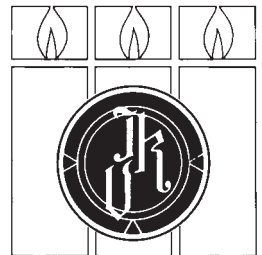
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Quality not quantity was the style of the Village Show this year. Entries were down but the standard of both craft and plants were high. Sadly only one entry in the children's classes. We were well supported by visitors and we managed to break even moneywise, thanks mainly to the Tombola and the cake stall. The refreshments again were very well supported and our customers enjoyed some very nice cakes.

Our thanks must go to all the willing workers, also to the businesses who donated tombola prizes, also all the sponsorship that was so kindly donated.

Let's look forward to next years' show and perhaps better growing conditions.

Margaret Wigley

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Alan Pritchard

### **LADIES PROBUS CLUB**

Eighteen members of the Probus club met at the Talbot, Chaddesley Corbett, where we had lunch and this month our speaker was Mrs Helen Hancox who spoke to us about her visits to the Falkland Islands. She illustrated her talk with slides. It was most interesting to share her experiences of her visits to her family. During the business meeting the chairman stressed the need for a member to volunteer to be treasurer as Win Long will be chairman next year and cannot do both jobs. Pat Higgs was thanked for organising our August outing on the Severn Valley Railway. A board was passed around for members to sign up to go to Jonathan's for afternoon tea and a flower demonstration in November. As usual it was a pleasant social occasion.

Betty Long  
President



## CLUB REPORTS

### ROTARY CLUB



We've held some marvellous events during the summer starting with a Car Treasure Hunt, the annual BBQ at Bill Harris's, a Golf Tournament with Stourbridge, Kinver and Hasbury & Cradley Rotary Clubs and the big Jazz Concert at Symphony Hall.

Also we've had some excellent and informative speakers talking on the following subjects:- Farmers Overseas Action Group, Pattern Making, Heart for You, Bahamas Motor Racing and the Civil War in Worcester. We had a visit from the head Rotarian in the West Midlands, the District Governor, who gave us his vision of the future and we discussed various Rotary issues.

Future speakers are booked on Civil Engineering, Running a Musuem and the Side by Side Theatre Group. A big Cabaret Entertainment Night is was held to raise money for charity on 21st October at the Stone Manor Hotel. This was a fantastic evening with a dinner and a prize for everyone.

Should you want to find out more about Rotary's varied activities, please 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

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At this time of year we have to say "goodbye" to a few of our Young Leaders who are off to University. We wish them well and say "many thanks"; we hope they continue in units in their University towns and cities and come back to see us in the holidays. We also hope that they will become our next generation of much needed Leaders. GOOD LUCK GIRLS and remember our motto BE PREPARED AND SURPRISE YOURSELVES!

Sue Hemmings



### TREFOIL GUILD

Our Beetle Drive in September, under the firm control of Bob Basset was very successful. We have had letters of thanks for a splendid evening from our friends in other Guilds.

On November 10th, the Skittles evening will be held at the Hill Tavern, Clent, meeting at 7.30 p.m. We wish all friends to join us. Liz has the details and will make sure we play to the rules.

Elizabeth Gingell

## CLUB REPORTS

### ROTARACT CLUB



On the 1st of October we had a relaxing float at the Droitwich Brine Baths. The next weekend we supported Halesowen's Comedy Night for Barnardos at the Glee Club, Birmingham and the next day we did some indoor climbing with Edgbaston Rotaract Club. On the 15th we took part in the Rotary's Hope and Homes for Children walk at Silverstone Race Track. Also in the evening we had a party to celebrate the engagement of two of our members: Katrina and Julian. The last weekend included a scary candle lit ghost tour around Tamworth Castle and a girly shopping trip in Worcester.

November activities start with bonfire night in Halesowen. On the 11th we will be motivating our minds with the Stour Valley Rotary Quiz. Also starting on the 11th is Rotaract Awareness Week where on the last day of this week, Friday the 18th, we are hosting a learn to dance evening in Hagley Community Centre to raise money for Children in Need. On the 19th we will be collecting for RNLI in Morrisons, Stourbridge. On the last weekend we have planned, with anticipation, to go and see the new Harry Potter film.

If you would like to come along to a meeting contact Dave West on 07753 181600 or [hagley@rotaract.org.uk](mailto:hagley@rotaract.org.uk). We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at the Mount Hotel, Clent.



### GARDENERS' CLUB

As usual Reg Moule kept us on our toes with his informative, interesting and lively talk on grasses. The diversity of decorative grasses has grown over the last few years which is reflected in the different colours, heights and cultivars.

Tickets are now available for the January Social and as they are limited please obtain yours without delay from Judy Perkins Tel: 01562 883568.

How many of us are remiss with our pruning? Well join us on November 23rd and learn all about what to do when Hilary Twigg brings her knowledge to our club. No doubt many will have questions to ask as the subject of pruning seems to cause palpitations to many gardeners.

Remember to book and pay for your tickets at this meeting for the Social, as we have no meeting in December. 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 Telephone 01562 777014.

Judy Berrow

## CLUB REPORTS

### HAGLEY WIVES AND WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Our first meeting this month will be on **Tuesday 8th November** when the talk will be “**Journey to the North Pole**”. Sue Riches was part of the first all women relay team to cross the North Pole without dogs or motorised support. It should be a fascinating evening.

It will be another different evening on **22nd November** when Dr Bob Bibby comes to give his talk entitled “**Gray pase ‘n bacon**”. It should be a ‘bostin’ good Black Country evening. Come along and see what he has in store.

**Advance information:** We will have our annual Christmas Carol Service at St Saviour’s Church on **Tuesday 13th December** at 8.00 p.m. followed by our customary group supper.

Toni Allison

## LICENSING LAWS

The Licensing Act 2003 has amalgamated six existing regimes and comes into force on 24th November 2005. Our Community Centre will continue to operate as it has always done, in accordance with the Public Entertainment Licence. However, if people want to sell alcohol, even included in a ticket price, they will be required to apply to Bromsgrove District Council for a Temporary Event Notice, at least two weeks before. The fee will be £21.00. Hagley Community Centre can only hold 12 such licences in any 12 month period. The Bookings Team can help and advise on the new situation.

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Each year, All Souls' Tide gives an opportunity to remember those who have died, especially in the recent past. Everyone is warmly invited to a service at St Saviour's on Sunday 6 November at 6.30 pm to remember a loved one and to light a candle. There will be a roll of everyone we have been asked to remember – and the names of those who have died in the last year will be read out in remembrance. It's an occasion for quiet reflection and thanksgiving, as well as looking forward to the future.

**Sithisak – Cake Stall – Sunday 6 November**

The Sunday Club is holding a cake stall on Sunday 6 November after the Morning Praise service at 9.30 am in aid of Sithisak, a child we support. All donations of cakes would be very much appreciated. Please contact Elizabeth Darke on 885648 for further details.

**The Friends of St John's Christmas Fayre – Saturday 26 November**

This year's fayre will be held in the Community Centre on Saturday 26 November between 11.00 am and 1.00 pm. There will be a whole selection of different stalls, and refreshments and lunches on sale.

**Advent Carol Service – Sunday 27 November**

Following the practice begun in recent years, we will be holding an Advent Carol Service, by candlelight, in St John's at 6.30 pm on 27 November. The service will consist of traditional and contemporary advent hymns, readings and carols.

**NOVEMBER SERVICES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>
6 November 3 before Advent		Morning Praise <b>St Saviour's</b>	Holy Communion <b>St John's</b>	All Souls' Service <b>St Saviour's</b>
13 November Remembrance Sunday	Holy Communion <b>St John's</b>		Morning Prayer <b>St John's</b> Holy Communion <b>St Saviour's</b>	Evening Prayer <b>St Saviour's</b>
20 November Christ the King	Holy Communion <b>St Saviour's</b>		Parish Family Communion <b>St John's</b>	Youth Led Service <b>St Saviour's</b>
27 November Advent Sunday	Holy Communion <b>St John's</b>		Parish Communion <b>St Saviour's</b>	Advent Carol Service (inc. Wollaston) <b>St Saviour's</b>

# SCHOOL NEWS

## HAGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

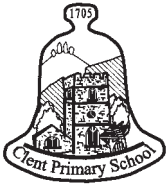
As we are now well into our autumn term, we have already enjoyed meeting Senior Educational Officers and Head Teachers from China who were visiting Worcester as part of a formal delegation in response to our visit last term. It is hoped that strong links will be made between our county and Jangzhou Province in China.

Tida and Saiba visited from the Gambia on their annual trip and we enjoyed their company and the time spent with the children.

Our Harvest Festival took place in mid-October and was a great success in raising money this year for the RNLI.

Our playground equipment is being well used by the children and we have also managed to provide a new safe waiting area for parents with pre-school children inside the lychgate which was partly funded by our School Travel Grant.

Jane Pitt.



## CLENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

We would like to welcome all the children who have enjoyed our school this academic year, and also our new teachers, Mrs Helen Bond as Deputy Head, and Esther Wright as Teaching Assistant.

The other 'new arrival' is our fantastic adventure playground which appeared during the summer holidays ..... this is especially relevant to the children as they raised the money for it themselves.

Our children are participating in a number of activities. Paul Timmins of the Historical Society is helping to put together a time capsule that will be stored at school for many years before being opened by future generations. We celebrated Harvest Festival in early October and as last year all the produce donated was given to the Children's Holiday Farm in Dodford. Planning of Year 6's PGL adventure holiday next year has already started with a meeting at Blakedown .... and the trip is not until summer 2006!

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 e-mail address is [enquiries@clentfirst.worcs.sch.uk](mailto: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

## HAYBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL



Last month we had the great pleasure to welcome to Haybridge High School the Futures Vision tour in celebration of the achievements and excellence of our school. Haybridge has delivered outstanding good practice in information and communication technology and we are considered as one of the best examples of how schools have raised achievement and transformed learning through innovative uses of ICT. Whilst there, the Futures Vision tour filmed our staff and students for a network television documentary on Teachers' TV.

We also welcomed a group of German exchange students into our classrooms to shadow students from our school and to find out about the English way of learning. The group, aged from 14 to 19, also went on trips outside school to Cadbury World, The Black Country Museum, and a shopping trip to Worcester. After a busy week it was clear that the students enjoyed themselves and were very impressed with the staff and students of Haybridge High School.

Preparations have begun for the annual school performance; this year to be *Guys and Dolls*. The play is a romantic comedy for audiences of any age and it is well on the way to becoming a success. The casting has been completed and rehearsals are well under way; it is hoped to be as successful as the last school production, *Oliver*. The performances will be in March.

The House competition continues to be very competitive and already this academic year we have seen football events and the annual house quiz.

Laura Whitehead

## PLAYGROUP

Our busiest term is now upon us and the children are already beginning rehearsals for our Christmas production, which is a highlight of the year. We have enjoyed many activities over the past few weeks, including a visit from a lady who ran a musical workshop and introduced the children to many different instruments. This was very successful and above all, great fun!



If you would like to know more about us, please feel welcome to drop in at the Community Centre (mornings only), or telephone Sharon Gould on 01562 882433.



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## *Times of Sunday Services* *10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.*

### **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

*13th November*

### **Preachers for November**

**6th**

am Rev George Graham

pm Rev George Graham

**13th**

am Rev Bill Hopley

pm Rev Charles Radburn

**20th**

am Rev Ernest Cruchley \*

pm HADAC Youth Service  
St. Saviour's 6.30 p.m.

**27th**

am Rev David Tennant

pm Rev David Tennant

\* Concludes with Holy Communion

The morning service will be a special parade and family service. Hagley Brownies and Guides will parade, also past members of the former Hagley Boys Brigade.

The service will be led by Rev Bill Hopley, Chaplain to the West Midlands Police Force.

### ***THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP AT 8.00 P.M.***

3 Nov Singing for pleasure

10 Nov History of Clocks

17 Nov Kenneth Hughes "Sights and Sounds"

27 Nov Colin Bowden "Hearts of Oak"

### ***LADIES AFTERNOON FELLOWSHIP***

*15 November at 2.30 p.m.*

Speaker: Donald Moss

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## **CENTENARY CELEBRATION WEEKEND 17TH AND 18TH SEPTEMBER**

The opening service of the Hagley Free Church was held on Saturday 16 September 1905, so this date determined that the main centenary celebration should be this particular weekend in September. On Saturday evening there was a gathering of 120 people for an informal evening with a buffet supper. Past and existing members and friends of the Church were present. Representatives of the Anglican churches in the locality joined us bringing Christian greetings.

On Sunday morning the service, in a packed church was led by Rev David Taylor, a Baptist minister currently based near Watford. David's association with the Free Church goes back over forty years, his father in law, Ian Ford, was a former Church President. When the Church was opened an American organ was purchased with the financial help of Andrew Carnegie, the American philanthropist and to demonstrate the potential of the organ, The Hallelujah Chorus was played. This time the Chorus was sung by an augmented choir. Also, a special hymn, written by the modern hymn writer Fred Kaan was sung. This hymn reflected the inter-denominational character of the Free Church and was a reminder of the services that Fred had taken at the Church in the past.

David Taylor in his address reminded the congregation of the nature of the Church. It was apostolic, meaning it was the conveyor of an eternal truth; it was prophetic, meaning it had a responsibility for the waywardness of all humanity; it was evangelical in that it sought to proclaim the love of God to all; it was pastoral in the way it cared for others and it had an educational role to pass on the traditions from one generation to the next.

At the end of the morning service children of the Sunday School released 100 balloons carrying messages from the Church. We look forward to hearing from those who find them! The evening service, which included the celebration of Holy Communion was conducted by a former member of the Church, Rev Rikki Twigg, now a minister of the United Reformed Church. The theme of the service was the need for us all to give thanks in our worship and from our worship to be enthused to serve a world of real need in the name of Jesus Christ. It was a weekend in which the centenary of the Church was truly celebrated and will serve as a springboard for the future witness of the Free Church.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### TAKE HEART

Monday 14th November

#### The Severn Way Footpath by Brian Draper

7.30 p.m. The Ramada Hotel and  
Resort, Habberley Road, Bewdley

Please note change of venue.

Admission £2. No smoking.

For further details ring the Secretary:  
Brenda Jones on 01562 882990

Friends of St. John the  
Baptist Church

### Autumn Fayre

Hagley Community Centre  
Saturday November 26th  
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White Elephant, Bric-a-Brac, Books,  
Tombola, Crafts, Christmas  
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### Stour Valley Cat Rescue



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#### Xmas Coffee Morning on Saturday 3rd December

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# NOVEMBER DIARY

TUESDAY 1

**Playgroup**

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

**Historical and Field Society**

St. Saviour's Hall, 8.00 p.m.  
"Mapping the past"

WEDNESDAY 2

**USA**

St. Saviour's Hall 2.00 p.m.

THURSDAY 3

**Free Church Fellowship**

Free Church Hall, 8.00 p.m.  
"Singing for Pleasure"

**Clent Hills Singers**

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 4

**Country Market**

Community Centre 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

**Chess Club**

Free Church Hall, 7.00 p.m.

MONDAY 7

**Parish Council**

Community Centre, 7.00 p.m.

TUESDAY 8

**Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship**

St. Saviour's Hall, 7.45 p.m.  
"Journey to the North Pole"

**Senior Citizens**

Free Church Hall 2.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 9

**Book Club**

34 Long Compton Drive, 8.00 p.m.  
"Immigration"

THURSDAY 10

**Free Church Fellowship**

Free Church Hall, 8.00 p.m.  
"Maxillo-Facial Prosthetics"

**Clent Hills Singers**

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 11

**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.  
"Nigel Hemming, Local Artist"

MONDAY 14

**Afternoon W.I.**

Community Centre, 2.00 p.m.  
A.G.M.

WEDNESDAY 16

**Evening W.I.**

St. Saviour's Hall, 7.30 p.m.  
"Writing for TV Comedy – Mr. Rock"

THURSDAY 17

**Free Church Fellowship**

Free Church Hall, 8.00 p.m.  
"The Ifakara Bakery Project"

**Clent Hills Singers**

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 18

**Country Market**

Community Centre 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

**Chess Club**

Free Church Hall, 7.00 p.m.

**Art Club Exhibition**

Community Centre, 7.00 – 9.00 p.m.

SATURDAY 19

**Art Club Exhibition**

Community Centre, 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

SUNDAY 20

**Art Club Exhibition**

Community Centre, 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

MONDAY 21

**Parish Council**

Community Centre, 7.00 p.m.

TUESDAY 22

**Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship**

St. Saviour's Hall, 7.45 p.m.  
"Gray Pase 'n Bacon"

**Senior Citizens**

Free Church Hall, 2.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 23

**Gardeners' Club**

St. Saviour's Hall, 8.00 p.m.  
"Easy Rules for Pruning"

THURSDAY 24

**Free Church Fellowship**

Free Church Hall, 8.00 p.m.  
"Hearts of Oak – Nelson's Navy"

**Clent Hills Singers**

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

**Ladies Probus Club**

The Talbot, Chaddesley Corbett, 12 noon  
"Canon Wilcox – A Lesotho Adventure"

FRIDAY 25

**Country Market**

Community Centre 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

**Chess Club**

Free Church Hall, 7.00 p.m.



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HAGLEY (& FURLONGS) COUNTY COUNCILLOR: Ed Moore	885704
HAGLEY POLICE STATION:	08457 444888
CRIME STOPPER LINE (CONFIDENTIAL)	Freephone 0800 555111
HAGLEY LIBRARY:	883441
HAGLEY SPORTS CENTRE:	(after 6pm) 882790 Fitness Suite 887622
HAGLEY MEDICAL PRACTICE: Fax Line 887185	881700
PETSEARCH:	883997

# HAGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

## Standard Conditions of Hire

- ❖ Payment to be made on receipt of invoice
- ❖ Hire will not be permitted unless signed agreement to conditions of hire has been returned and payment has been received
- ❖ Maximum numbers of people allowed
  - seated no more than 210
  - dances and discos no more than 175 to be admitted
- ❖ It is the responsibility of the hirer that the sale of alcoholic drink is authorised by licence issued by the appropriate licensing authority
- ❖ Keys can be collected prior to hire and returned as soon as possible on conclusion of hire
- ❖ Hirer to familiarise themselves with the fire exits and location of fire extinguishers and to make sure that all people using the hall whilst they are hiring it are aware of these
- ❖ Centre to be vacated promptly on completion of hire and left in a clean, tidy and orderly condition after use.
  - Chairs stacked correctly
  - Tables stacked correctly
  - Floor swept
  - Toilets and kitchen to be left in a clean and orderly condition
  - All rubbish to be taken away with you

An extra charge may be made for cleaning if these conditions are not met

- ❖ Any breakages or damage should be reported to 07891 365290 as soon as possible, there may be an extra charge to cover these
- ❖ Before you leave please ensure that you
  - Close and lock all windows and shutters
  - Turn off all heating controls
  - Close all internal doors
  - Turn off all the lights (including car park lights)
  - Lock all the outside doors
  - Dispose of all your rubbish
- ❖ Hagley Community Association reserve the right to withdraw or cancel bookings without prior notice