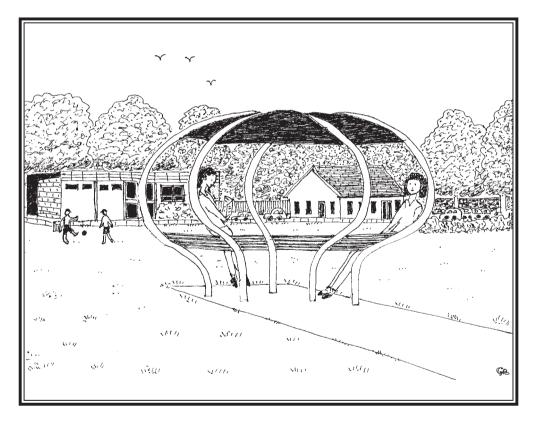


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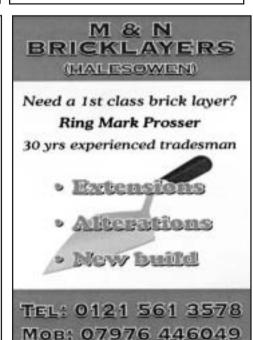
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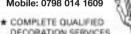
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EDITORIAL

The festivities are long over but Spring still seems a long way away! A good time to think about entries for the Village Show perhaps.

There is a special thank you message on page 7 from all at the Community Association.

Don't forget, if you want your group's activities listed in the monthly Diary, please send a copy of your programme.

Anna Morley Editor

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This month we say a special 'Thank you' to Suzanne, the dedicated lady who has cleaned the Community Centre for a number of years but is now moving on for personal reasons. It is not an easy task, but she has been conscientious and hard working, even coming in on Sundays, which is one of the few times we have available. Without such people we would have great difficulty running a busy centre and wish her many thanks and good luck.

Dear Editor,

I have lived in Brake Lane for about twenty four years and have loved it. Not so recently. My two sons both attended Haybridge High School and I can appreciate the need for it's expansion. However, the hazardous parking of the workmen's vehicles around the corner of Sweetpool Lane means that visibility in whichever direction any motorist is travelling is virtually nil. Added to this there has been a considerable increase in the volume of traffic along the lane, half of which seems to find my driveway an irresisitible point at which to turn. Not only in my driveway - I now have deep grooves in my front lawn and flower bed left by vans, lorries and cars.

There has also been a marked increase in the amount of vehicles that race to the end of the lane and back because the No Through Road sign has been obscured for more than twelve months by the unfinished and unsightly building plot at the corner of Sweetpool Lane. So this is the price of progress!

Angela Perrigo (Having a good moan)

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Highways

The Parish Council has recently had more success with communicating with the Highways Department under their new system. Hopefully this will mean that at least some of the much needed repairs and improvements we have been waiting for will soon be resolved.

Cllr Jim Austin

As you may know, Cllr Austin, who is also a member of Bromsgrove and District Heartstart, is this month trekking to Mount Everest Base camp to raise funds for the British Heart Foundation. We wish him all the best for a safe and successful trip.

Planning

In December the Council looked at planning applications for the The Meadows, Wychbury Drive; 1 The Coppice; and 80 Kidderminster Road. No objections were raised.

Please note that green bin collections will not resume until April.

Catherine Humphries Clerk to the Council

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HISTORICAL AND FIELD SOCIETY

The Society's Christmas social was held on Tuesday December 5th. On arrival Chairman Mrs. Irene Oliver welcomed members and their guests to a sherry

reception, which was followed by an excellent cold buffet. After the meal Mr. Frank Townsend entertained us with a talk entitled "Compliments of the Season". This was a history of the Christmas card. Mr Townsend illustrated the talk with a series of pictures; starting with the earliest Victorian cards (now extremely valuable) and then through the various fashions right up to present day humorous cards. Mr. Townsend's accompanying commentary was both informative ad most amusing. At the end of a most enjoyable evening Mrs. Oliver proposed thanks to Mrs. Rorison and Mrs. Ryder who had organised the event and also thanked those who had assisted; finally she wished everyone a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

The February meeting of the Society is on Tuesday 6th at which Mr. R. Albutt will talk about "Light & Colour - Our Heritage In Stained Glass". All are welcome at St. Saviour's Church Hall 8pm. Visitors £1.50 including refreshments.

Malcolm James



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of the meeting with the presentation of accounts and reports. After the business it is hoped to have a talk on Picture Framing. This meeting is on Friday evening 9th February, St Saviour's Church Hall at 7.30 p.m. Looking ahead to March, here the meeting will be *Portrait in Acrylics* by Adrian Clamp.

A.A. Pritchard

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CLUB REPORTS



ROTARY CLUB

We've recently held our AGM and the following people have been voted in to take up their posts in July 2007:- Derry Millington as Club President, Paul Matthews as Vice-President; Martin Freckleton will continue as Secretary and David Santus will continue as Treasurer.

Over the last two months we've had some excellent speakers on the following subjects:- RNLI, the New York Marathon, Youth Culture from 1950 to the present day, Wills and Inheritance Tax Planning. We are arranging a talk in the Spring by Rex Williams, the ex-world champion billiards and snooker player.

We are also looking foward very much to our President's annual weekend away. Around 30 of us, with our wives, are going to Aldeburgh in Suffolk. We went there four years ago when Ted Rayment was President for the first time around and we all had a fantastic time together.

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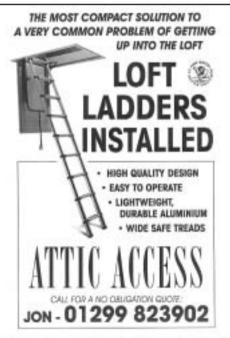
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Much noise and laughter ensued which was only contained when delicious refreshments were served halfway through the proceedings.

The meeting closed with two amusing but thought provoking readings and members were sent home with greetings of the season ringing in their ears.

Members then looked forward to learning about "Photographing Wild Life" and the "RNLI" in the first two months of 2007.

Visitors and prospective members are always welcome but it should be noted that in February and April meetings will be on the THIRD Monday (19th February and 16th April) at 2pm at the Community Centre. All other meetings will be on the SECOND Monday in the month as usual.

Megan Bury

HAGLEY WIVES AND WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Our first meeting on 13th February is entitled "Our Plaice". There will be a fish and chip supper followed by Caroline Howard's own story about how her fish & chip shop became the best.

Paul McGuire makes a welcome return on **27th February**, this time he will be talking about his *Life a a dancing teacher with Arthur Murray organisation*. This should be a very amusing and lively evening. We meet on both occasions at 8.00 p.m. in St. Saviour's Hall.

Our meeting on 13th March is entitled "Court in the Act". This is Harry Scharf's own story of Serving time in the Law Courts.

Toni Allison

MOTHER'S UNION

A reminder that our AGM this year is on the fourth Thursday – 22nd February – at 2.30 p.m.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, 15th March, when we have a Meditation for Lent, by Elizabeth Kearney.

Judy Plant

CLUB REPORTS



GARDENERS' CLUB

February 28th (Please note incorrect date on programme. It is NOT the 21st). AGM with a glass of wine to cheer you up followed by "Gardens to Visit' by Judy Berrow. Time to pay your subs and collect your programme for the forthcoming exciting year. We particularly want you to note that April 25th (our monthly meeting) we are going to visit a garden and details will be given in February.

A list will be needed of the people coming and £2 per head towards the cost. (Visitors £4.50) includes entrance fee, tea and cake.

March 28th – Julia Scott is paying a return visit to tell us the 'History of Ryton Organic Garden' and in the autumn we are hoping to arrange a trip out to visit these amazing gardens.

Join us for an interesting, informative evening in good company. Visitors are always welcome.

Judy Berrow



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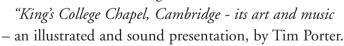
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Jo Hughes

SCHOOL NEWS





The end of the autumn term saw our first ever sixth form taster day. Our year 11 students experienced life in the sixth form and were able to sample lessons which they never before have had chance to trial. The day was very successful and feedback from students was excellent; they are now in a better position to decide which route

they want to take with their studies.

Our new main block is now fully up and running. The building comprises our new school hall, brand new classrooms and fantastic new ICT facilities. The new reception area is airy and welcoming and our brand new restaurant will be serving up culinary delights for students and staff alike!

This academic year we are delighted to have the services of Yijia Liu, a Chinese language teacher who has been teaching in the lower school and in the sixth form since September. We are now offering Chinese conversation classes, led by Yijia, on Tuesday evenings and the focus is language used in everyday situations. We will also learn about Chinese culture and Chinese character writing.

In December we took some of our students carol singing in the village and we managed to raise \$230 for charity. Passers-by seemed pleased with the display and the students had fun too. Our Christmas Fayre also did very well, raising over \$2000. Thanks to all that came.

Laura Whitehead



TREFOIL GUILD

We have heard from one of our friends in Halesowen Guild of a project to knit vests, bonnets and jumpers for babies born in Africa with the HIV virus. Last year she and her friends contributed 900 vests! Ann has generously agreed to

host a "knitathon" evening for us and help too. Our very own 'bitch and stitch' event without the nastiness of course - we're Guides!

Our February meeting is to be held in the Free Church at 7.30 on on the 8th. It takes the form of a Scrabble Evening. It is being organised by Liz who will have the final say on whether or not a word is permissable. She may have her work cut out.

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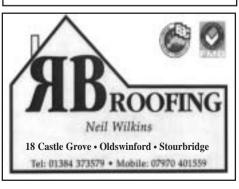
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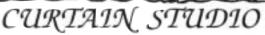
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FEBRUARY 2007

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The 10.30 am Communion service on 18 February will include a guided tour / commentary on today's communion service, looking at the 'how', 'why', 'what' and 'when' of all we do. Want to find out all about it? — Do come along.

Christingle Anniversary

To celebrate the 125th anniversary of The Children's Society, the Morning Praise & Parade Service on 4 February will be a Christingle Service.

Pancake Evening

There will be another Pancake Evening, to raise money for the DDA work, on Friday 23 February at 7.30 pm. Please see our Pewsheet for details of tickets.

Lent Groups

Lent Groups begin this month, and will focus on the work of William Wilberforce, celebrating the abolition of slavery 200 years ago this year.

FEBRUARY SERVICES

Date	8.00 am	9.30 am	10.30 am	6.30 pm
4 February 3rd Sunday before Lent		Morning Praise & Parade St Saviour's	Holy Communion St John's	Evening Prayer St Saviour's
11 February 2 rd Sunday before Lent	Holy Communion St John's		Morning Prayer St John's Holy Communion St Saviour's	Youth-led Service St Saviour's
18 February Sunday before Lent	Holy Communion St John's		Communion Unravelled St Saviour's	Holy Communion St Saviour's
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11th

am Rev Charles Radburnpm Rev Gerald England

18th

am Rev Ernest Cruchley

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25th

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FEBRUARY MEETINGS IN CHURCH VESTRY Tuesdays 6th and 20th 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Church Prayer Topic for the Month

The Parish Council - that its members may be responsive to the changing needs of our community. Also, the work of the Community Association, through the Village News and the Community Centre

LADIES' AFTERNOON FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday 20th February at 2.30 p.m. AGM and Bring & Buy

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

7.30 - 8.30 p.m.

Spring Theme Studies in "The Acts of the Apostles"

February 13 – Acts 5 ¹²⁻²⁶ Acts 6 ⁸⁻¹⁵, 7 ⁵⁴ - 8 ¹ "Deliverance or Comfort"

February 27 - Acts 8 ^{1-8, 26-40} "Spreading the Word"



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22nd HISTORY OF GLASSES "Seeing is believing" Talk by Mr Harry Scharf

THE SEASON OF LENT

Ash Wednesday, this year 21 February, marks the beginning of the season of Lent, a period of forty days in preparation for the greatest Christian festival, Easter. The date of Easter is determined from the Jewish celebration of the Passover Feast, but since in the Northern Hemisphere this falls around spring-time the two have been interlinked. Indeed the work Lent comes from Middle English, "Lenten" meaning Spring.

It is a good idea to link Lent and Spring, they have similar characteristics! A clearing out of the dross of the past and a positive looking forward to new life in the future.

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"Dentith and Price"

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church, 7,30 p.m.

FRIDAY 2

Country Market

Community Centre, 8.45 - 11.00 a.m.

Chess Club

Free Church Hall, 7.00 p.m.

MONDAY 5

Playgroup

Community Centre, 9.00 a.m. - 12 noon

Parish Council

Community Centre, 7.00 p.m.

TUESDAY 6

Historical & Field Society

St. Saviour's Hall, 8.00 p.m.

'Light & Colour - Stained Glass'

THURSDAY 8

Free Church Fellowship

Free Church Hall, 8.00 p.m.

'Work of a Magistrate'

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

FRIDAY 9

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.

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TUESDAY 13

Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship

St. Saviour's Hall, 8.00 p.m.

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THURSDAY 15

Free Church Fellowship

Free Church Hall, 8.00 p.m.

'Crewing a 40' Yacht Across the Atlantic'

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church, 7,30 p.m.,

FRIDAY 16

Country Market

Community Centre, 8.45 - 11.00 a.m.

Chess Club

Free Church Hall, 7.00 p.m.

MONDAY 19

Parish Council

Community Centre, 7.00 p.m.

THURSDAY 22

Free Church Fellowship

Free Church Hall, 8.00 p.m.

'History of Glasses'

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church, 7.30 p.m.

Ladies Probus Club

The Talbot, Chaddesley Corbett, 12 noon

'Experiences of a Town Crier'

FRIDAY 23

Country Market

Community Centre, 8.45 a.m - 11.00 a.m.

Chess Club

Free Church Hall, 7.00 p.m.

TUESDAY 27

Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship

St. Saviour's Hall, 8.00 p.m.

'Life as a Dancing Teacher'

Senior Citizens' Club

Free Church Hall, 2.30 p.m.

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