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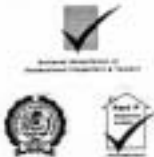
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EDITORIAL

It will soon be Christmas and preparations are in full swing. Santa will be visiting Hagley on his sleigh during December, so make sure you watch out for him! See page 42.

At Christmas, we thank the generous volunteers who give their time each month to deliver your Village News, and I look forward to seeing you on 12th at the Centre.

Thank you to all the societies that support the Village News and Community Association all year and HCA wish everyone in the village a very Happy Christmas and hopefully a more settled New Year.

I have a 'large print' copy of December VN. Please telephone if you would like to borrow it.

Anna Morley, Editor

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The Office will close at 12 o'clock on Tuesday, 22 December, and will reopen on Monday, 4 January 2010.

If you have appointments early in January and need our help, please try to phone us before we close for the Christmas break.

Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all our clients.

Anne Garth, Liaison Officer

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We will be closed from 6.30 p.m. Christmas Eve until Tuesday 29th December, telephone lines open at 8 a.m. and also.... closed from 6.30 p.m. New Year's Eve until Monday 4th January 2010, telephone lines open 8 a.m.

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Season's Greetings from all at Hagley Surgery



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The Christmas post service covers all Hagley addresses. Please address your cards carefully to make the job as easy as possible for our post people. The Scout stamps will cost 15p and will be on sale from Walton and Hipkiss or Cavendish Cleaners where you will also find our special post boxes.

Both boxes and stamps will be available from Tuesday 1st December and the final collections will be made from all boxes on Saturday 19th December at 1 p.m. All the collections and sorting are done by a team of parents and the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts will then help with the deliveries between 20th December and Christmas Eve.



Thank you to all those who deliver the Village News every month in all weathers. Please join us on Saturday 12th December in the Community Centre for mulled wine and mince pies – we look forward to seeing you, 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon.

Jan and Anna

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HAGLEY WAR MEMORIAL

Four names previously omitted from the war memorial have now been added. A dedication service will be arranged in the near future. In the meantime, please take a look. Many thanks to Don Freeth for all his work on this.

PLANNING

In October the council looked at four planning applications and made the following comments:-

09/0721 – 20 The Crescent. Pitched roof extension over garage and porch, loft conversion to provide one bedroom and bathroom: **Object:** out of keeping with rest of the street, which consists of bungalows suitable for older people.

09/0779 – 22 Summervale Road. Proposed single storey side extension: **No Objection.**

09/0735 – 178 Worcester Road. Ground floor – proposed garage and extension to playroom. First floor – proposed bedroom over garage and en-suite. Second floor – proposed bedrooms 7,8 and bathroom and en-suite: **Object:** the extension will make the property very large, with total extensions exceeding 40% of the original floor area. The new side extension is too prominent and inadequately set down.

Worcestershire County Council – application. For Hagley Primary School, Park Road. PROPOSAL – construction of a new Children’s Centre with Bathroom & Medical Assistance room and construction of new school administration offices.

Comment – no objection in principle but there should be a condition that parking space is provided on the land immediately to the east on the redundant middle school site to accommodate parents delivering and collecting children. This comment was sent along with a copy of our previous letter to the County Council expressing our concerns about the traffic and parking in Park Road, around the school.

CHRISTMAS

The Christmas lights are now up and we are looking forward to a busy Christmas in Hagley. The Hagley Business Association have organised an open evening, with many of the shops open late, entertainment and refreshments on Wednesday December 9th. Please support this initiative and celebrate with your local traders.

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Catherine Humphries



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The Parish Council are still awaiting a valuation report from Scriven and Company which is to be delayed, awaiting guidance from the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors on Social Housing before we can progress any further on this project.

PLANNING

District Council Decisions:

09/0596 – 20 Pinewoods Avenue – 2 storey side extension – **Refuse**

09/0581 – The Glen, St Kenelms Pass – consent to fix sky mini dish – **Permit**

09/0609 – Keepings, bromsgrove Road – side and rear extension – **Permit**

Planning Applications for Parish Council Comments

09/0739 – 12 Woodchester, Hagley – provision of pitched roof at ground level.

No Objections.

Ruth Mullett
Clerk, Clent Parish Council

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Although the trust is small, the trustees, who include Lord Cobham, Rev. Richard Newton and Father Paul Harrison, meet twice yearly.

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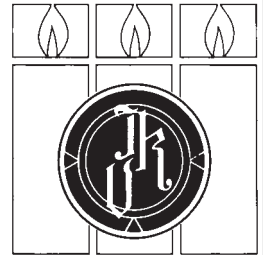
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The Society's October meeting took the form of its 45th AGM, followed by a presentation. The business part of the evening contained the usual reports from the Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman, all of whom were very positive about the activities of the Society over the previous 12 months. In particular, the Meetings Secretary, Joan Barwick, had continued to find first-rate speakers each month, despite their rising costs. The last feature, together with the increasing cost of room hire had resulted in the Committee reluctantly recommending an increase in subscription. Eric Greenwood took the Chair following the 2008/9 Committee standing down and, following elections the new committee (looking very like its predecessor) took its place.

The speaker was your scribe who gave a slide show entitled 'Victorian Railway Stations'. Included were the myriad architectural styles from the earliest days of the Liverpool & Manchester Railway through to Marylebone, the last London terminus opened at the very end of Victoria's reign. Along the way was classical Huddersfield, Gothic St. Pancras and, of course, Hagley's 1884 footbridge. Ken Price provided the vote of thanks. A very busy evening was rounded off by a display of the Research Group's current activities.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 1st December when Graham Sutherland returns to give an entertaining talk, entitled 'From Drainpipe Trousers to Rock 'n' Roll'. All will find a warm welcome at this and our other meetings at St. Saviour's Church Hall at 8.00 p.m. on the first Tuesday in the month.

Alan Atkinson



Clent Hills Singers 'SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS'



We extend a warm festive welcome to everyone to attend our Christmas Concert on Saturday 5th December in St. Saviour's Church commencing 7.30 p.m. There will be music from the first two parts of J.S. Bach's 'Christmas Oratorio', carols – including some of John Rutter's, with a sprinkling of relevant spoken pieces.

Our chosen charity this Christmas is 'Rollercoasters', a local charity which provides high quality play schemes, and creates leisure and social opportunities for children aged 4 – 18, who have profound multiple disabilities.

Tickets are available from any member of the choir, or by contacting Linda Evans on 01562 885073 or David Pettit on 01562 730248, so come along and partake of a mince pie and a glass of punch! ☺

Linda Evans (Secretary)
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AFTERNOON W.I.

The speaker for October being unable to attend due to ill health, Brian Boyce entertained with "Black Country Humour". His tales of his life, his jokes and poems were very amusing and even members from foreign parts of the British Isles were able to understand his accent without too much difficulty!



Details of the Annual Meeting, including requests for more members prepared to serve on Committee, were discussed.

Names were taken for various events including the President's Coffee Morning, Lunch at Churchill & Blakedown Golf Club, and an outing to Cardiff when it is hoped to visit Cardiff castle as well as indulging in a little retail therapy!

In November a "Music and Prose" afternoon was held when members enjoyed listening to the hostess's choice of music and their own choice of poetry and prose.

With a visit to "See it! Cook it! Eat it!" at Little Witley and an evening at Chadwich for demonstrations and refreshments, members have a very full diary in the run up to the Christmas Festivities.

Meetings are on the second Monday in each month, 2 p.m. at Hagley Community Centre when visitors and prospective members are always welcome. For further information please contact the undersigned on 885215.

Megan Bury

EVENING W.I.

How quickly this year has passed and here we are with Christmas just around the corner. There is much to look forward to this month starting with a carol concert in Kidderminster Town Hall on 4th December followed by our Group Carol Service in the Free Church Hall on 7th December with coffee & mince pies afterwards.

Our WI meeting is on 16th December with mulled wine, coffee and mince pies, and 'in house' entertainment. We also have a visit to the Rose Theatre on 1st December.

The Sunday before Christmas will see a number of us serving refreshments at Arley Station where excited children have travelled on the SVR to see Father Christmas.

Our first meeting in January is on 20th at 7.30 p.m. in the Free Church and our speaker is Sarah Dover who will be talking about nutrition.

We are always pleased to welcome visitors on the third Wednesday in the month, so do come along in 2010. For more information please contact Hagley 882875 or 720219.

Liz Hathway



ROTARY CLUB

We've had some good speakers over the last few weeks. Jean Wilcox described some of the 27 holidays which she has organised over many years for ACROSS, now the Four Wheels Travel Fellowship. She hires a special coach to accommodate 10 to 15 seriously handicapped people, together with their carers, and they tour countries in Europe staying in selected hotels.

David McIntosh spoke about famous steam locomotives, particularly those used on the Severn Valley Railway. He explained the running of these wonderful engines, especially their maintenance and certification. Most are owned by wealthy individuals who pay all the costs and who hire them out to the railway companies. Aly Stone talked about her experiences working with Girl Guides at Sangam, in India.

We had a Business Meeting at which we decided to donate £150 to Jean Wilcox and £1,500 to the Alzheimer's Society, last year's President's chosen charity.

We look forward to our Christmas Party at the Stone Manor Hotel on 14th December. On Saturday, 12th and 19th December we will be out "shaking the cans" in Hagley Village, backed up by the Scouts and Guides who will be singing carols. We rely very much on your generous donations, which will be given to our chosen local charities. We are seeking new members, so please call me on 07966 116612 to find out more about our club.

We would like to wish everyone in the community a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

David Dewhirst

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We have our Carols, Readings and Supper for Christmas on December 15th at St. Saviour's Hall. Do come along and join us for a lively evening with friends to celebrate the festive season.

In January we have two meetings at St. Saviour's Hall, the first is on January 10th when we hope to detox our brains with a quiz. Always good fun and light hearted.

On January 26th Mike and Pat Ledbury return to give us an evening with Robbie Burns – The Fringe, their last visit proved to be a very popular indeed, so do join us for an entertaining evening.

Toni Allison

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT SOCIETY

As there is no monthly meeting in December, may the Committee take this opportunity to wish all members and visitors a very Happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

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In October we formed a party to see "Carousel", performed by our home-grown Youth Group. It was excellent and during the interval we exchanged views on which of those long-legged beauties had been whose Brownie or Guide. It's alright, your secret's safe with us.

There will be an early start to the Christmas festivities for us, with our party on Thursday December 10th, 7.30 p.m. for 8.00 p.m. at 42 Summervale Road.

May we wish the Editor, and all concerned with the Village News, a very Happy Christmas, with many thanks for all they do for us. Where would we be without the news of all the activities throughout the village? Sitting at home with our knitting, that's where!

Elizabeth Gingell

THEATRE GROUP



What a show Carousel turned out to be. Performed at the Community Centre from 7th to 10th October, our Youth Section's efforts on this musical certainly paid off with audiences going home thoroughly entertained. This was no mean feat as this Rodgers and Hammerstein musical is widely acknowledged as difficult to master. The acting, singing (done without microphones) and dancing was accomplished and the show's director Mark Payne and his production team deserve much credit for their hard dedicated work.

Our next production will be on 11th - 13th February 2010 and we are still working on what this show will be. We have narrowed this down to a number of titles and we are seriously considering the adult section doing a musical with the Little Shop of Horrors being the front runner. The next issue of the Village News will confirm this. If anyone is interested in helping to stage productions then please contact Susan Dean on 01562 884906. We wish everyone a very happy Christmas and look forward to you seeing us in the New Year.

Tony Forrest

ART CLUB



This month's meeting of the Club is on Tuesday 11 December starting at the usual time 7.30 p.m. in St Saviour's Hall and will take the form of a Christmas social buffet. We have had these in early years giving members an opportunity to get to know each other.

Throughout the year with demonstrations there is little time to converse; in December members can talk with a little entertainment. The buffet takes the form of an American Supper as in our earlier December meetings when members bring something to the table for all to share.

For the New Year we will have John Harris with Watercolour; this will be January 8th. A good start to 2010.

A.A. Pritchard

STOURBRIDGE SPEAKERS CLUB

Don't panic Mr. Mainwaring! was the message back in October. We were informed that we had been given a small grant to run a 'Speaking In Public' taster evening for people new to getting up on their hind legs to speak. The event was to be part of the national October Festival of Learning. To qualify for the money we had to hold the event during October. The only snag was that we were only informed about the event well into the month!

Demonstrating that we can organise things as well as speak about them, the event was quickly set up for 29th October in Stourbridge Town Hall. With the help of the local media (unfortunately we didn't have enough notice to be able to mention it in this august publication), we attracted a small but enthusiastic gathering of people wanting to improve their communication skills.

An initial assessment of their confidence level revealed that we had a spread between nervous and terrified. Nevertheless, with the warm encouragement for which the club is noted, all stood up and spoke and gave very creditable performances. By the time you read this, hopefully several of them will be developing their speaking skills further by joining our fortnightly meetings at the Talbot Hotel in Stourbridge High Street.

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Sunday 29th November - Advent Sunday

9 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

6 p.m. – Advent Service

Sunday 6th December - Advent 2

11.15 a.m. – Benefice Eucharist at Churchill

4 p.m. - Service of Lights (Hymns and Readings in preparation for Christmass)

Sunday 13th December - Advent 3

9 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

Sunday 20th December - Advent 4

10 a.m. – Benefice Eucharist

Thursday 24th December - Christmass Eve

4 p.m. – Crib Service, Blakedown

11.30 p.m. – Midnight Mass (by extension)

Friday 25th December - Christmass Day

9 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

Sunday 27th December - Christmass 1 (St. John)

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Year Seven visited Harvington Hall in October, and learned about our patron saint, St Nicholas Owen, who designed the priest holes at the hall, enabling local Catholics to practise their faith under persecution. His use of his talents and silence under torture make him a good role model for our students.

The Eco Schools Committee hosted a visit from Carlos Arturo from Colombia's 'Ministry for Children' charity. Carlos told a packed Sixth Form Study Centre about his work with the poor inhabitants of the Colombian barrios. 'El Comedor' or 'The Dining Room' feeds 120 deprived Primary School-age children daily, spending £2.50 to provide a child with healthy meals for a week. Carlos was presented with 120 friendship bracelets, made in the colours of the Colombian flag, by Hagley Sixth Formers.

Hagley pupils learned about the '350' campaign. 350 parts of CO₂ per million is the uppermost safe limit for human habitation of planet earth. The group is now considering how to engage the school community in the lead-up to the Copenhagen summit of world leaders in December.

Cafod's Harvest Fast on 2nd October saw over 150 pupils reaching out to those in need by going without a full meal and making do with soup and a roll. All soup cans and paper table cloths were recycled. There was a great atmosphere and an excellent response – it was our most successful Hunger Lunch for years. We hope to do even better at the Lenten Fast Day in March 2010, when Cafod celebrates its 50th Anniversary.

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A Christmas Message

Will you be ready? Will you be ready for Christmas this year? The countdown begins in a concerted way with Advent and the opening of advent calendars, or the lighting of advent candles, from 1st December onwards. In other ways, preparations have been going on for much longer. Christmas menus and invitations to book for Christmas meals start appearing at around August these days, as do Christmas goods in the shops. I found mince pies on special offer at the beginning of September – never mind that they needed to be eaten by the end of October! So there's plenty of time to order all the food, and buy presents for friends and family, and get out the fairy lights and check they still work, and make all the arrangements for our festive celebrations. But will you be ready? Will you be ready to welcome the child who is God incarnate – the Saviour who comes, not just to be present in our world, but alive in our lives? Getting ready means making room in our lives and our hearts to receive the greatest gift of all – God's gift of himself, his peace and his love.

Richard Newton

DECEMBER SERVICES

Date	8.00 am	9.30 am	10.30 am	6.30 pm
6 December Advent 2		Youth-led Morning Praise + Parade St Saviour's	Holy Communion St John's	Taizé Service for Advent St Saviour's
13 December Advent 3	Holy Communion St John's		Morning Prayer St John's H Communion St Saviour's	Evening Prayer St Saviour's
20 December Advent 4	Holy Communion St Saviour's		Nine Lessons and Carols St John's	Carol Service St Saviour's
24 December Christmas Eve			Crib Service St Saviour's <u>5.00 pm</u>	Midnight Eucharist St John's <u>11.30 pm</u>
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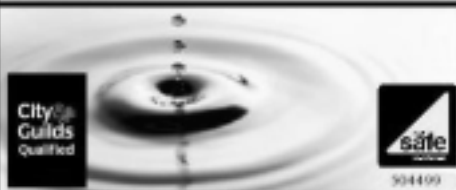


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Santa will be visiting Hagley on his sleigh between the 28th November and 13th December. He will be escorted round the village by young people, leaders and parent helpers from Hagley Ramblers Scout Group, who will make sure that Santa has time to stop and talk to the children and hand out sweets to those children that have been good this year. Santa's helpers from the Scout Group will all be dressed in scout uniform or festive costume, and will have id badges to verify them as legitimate collectors, and will be collecting money for the scout group.

Last year the Scout Group raised enough money from helping Santa visit Hagley to purchase archery equipment (bows, arrows, bracers etc) to enable young people from beavers (6 years old upwards) through to explorers (up to 18 years old) to enjoy archery sessions with new, safe equipment as we now have 4 leaders trained as GNAS archery instructors.

This year it is hoped that the proceeds of our collection may go to buying kayaks and equipment to enable us to take more young people on the water on a regular basis.

Hagley Ramblers Scout Group are grateful for the continued generous support of the people of the village of Hagley.

We look forward to meeting you with Santa!

Hagley Ramblers Scout Group

SCHOOL NEWS

HAYBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Last month we were awarded an 'International School Award' by the British Council in recognition of the international work in school. The Award is a prestigious accolade which is awarded not only in this country but around the world for outstanding practice in delivering an International Dimension to the classroom.

Haybridge recently had two very successful open evenings for sixth form and new intake; we would like to thank all those that came.

Congratulations to Year 12 student Josh Papworth who has recently achieved a Cycling Gold Medal at the European Youth Olympic Festival in Finland.

Our U16 Girls football team have followed on from the success of winning the Wyre Forest league last season by making a great start this year. Four girls from our U16 squad are currently playing district football with Haybridge's Jess Rudd being the captain.

Haybridge Sixth Form students lead a number of thriving academic societies covering subjects such as Law, Medicine, Economics, History, Sociology, Psychology, Media, Public Speaking and various others. We are always keen to welcome guest speakers. If you have any experience in any of the areas mentioned and you would like to help, or you have willing contacts, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact Anita Jenkins, ajenkins@haybridge.wores.sch.uk

December 4th Friday – Christmas Fayre, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. in the school hall – we hope you can support Haybridge at our annual Christmas Fayre.

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**Church Prayer Topic for
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Christmas time can be difficult for
many. Please remember them.

Services for December

6th

am Rev George Graham
pm Rev George Graham *

13th

am Rev David Tennant
pm Rev David Tennant

20th

am Rev Mike Spencer *
pm **Family Carol Service**

25th Christmas Day

Family service at 10.30 a.m.
Led by Mr Colin Bolton

27th

am MORNING WORSHIP WITH
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pm No Evening Service

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DECEMBER MEETINGS IN
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"CHRISTMAS SERVICE"

BIBLE STUDY

7.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m.

The Study continues of
"CHRIST as SAVIOUR".

8th December – "New Birth"
John 3: 1 - 21



A SHORTAGE OF TEA TOWELS

A teacher talking to her friend said “Do you always get short of tea towels at Christmas?” “I do not think so” was the reply. “Why do you?”. “Probably, because some are in school for the shepherds’ head-dresses in the nativity play, others are in the church for a similar reason and then with visitors giving a hand with the washing up, I run out of tea towels”.

The rituals of Christmas - children in nativity plays, carols, cards, visitors, food, drink etc – all help us to enjoy ourselves and a good thing in the middle of winter.

What are we remembering? St. John’s Gospel says – “The Word became flesh and dwelt among us”. Word in this context means “the truth”, as we would say when affirming something is true, “I give you my word”.

At Christmas we celebrate the great truth that God came to humanity in the birth of Jesus. We hope you will join in the celebration of this great event. have a happy and peaceful Christmas.

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The Christmas party on 3rd December brings the first part of our diverse programme to an end. We wish you all a Peaceful and Happy Christmas.

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The project is being led by Alistair Fuller, and he will seek to meet with as many individuals, groups and organisations as possible, to talk to them and to hear about their experiences and feelings around end of life care.

At this stage, the project is concerned with asking some simple questions. There is often a real gap between people's hopes about the care they would like to receive at the end of life and their actual experience of it. The experience of dying, loss and bereavement can be isolating and lonely, and the Compassionate Communities project hopes to do something about that.

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DECEMBER DIARY

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Historical & Field Society

St. Savior's Hall 8.00 p.m.
'From Drainpipe Trousers to Rock & Roll'

THURSDAY 3rd

Clent Hills Singers

Free Church 7.30 p.m.

Free Church Fellowship

Free Church Hall 8.00 p.m.
Christmas Party

FRIDAY 4th

Country Market

Community Centre 8.45 – 11.00 a.m.

Chess Club

Free Church Hall 7.00 p.m.

SATURDAY 5th

Clent Hills Singers

St. Saviour's 7.30 p.m.
Christmas Concert

MONDAY 7th

Parish Council

74a Worcester Road 7.00 p.m.

TUESDAY 8th

Senior Citizens' Club

Free Church Hall 2.30 p.m.

Hagley Wives & Women's Fellowship

St. Saviour's Hall 8.00 p.m.
Carols & Christmas Supper

WEDNESDAY 9th

Evening W.I.

Free Church Hall 7.30 p.m.
Christmas Party

FRIDAY 11th

Country Market

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Chess Club

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SATURDAY 12th

HCA – Village News Distributors

Community Centre 10.30 a.m. – 12 noon
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MONDAY 14th

Afternoon W.I.

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FRIDAY 18th

Country Market

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Chess Club

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MONDAY 21st

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