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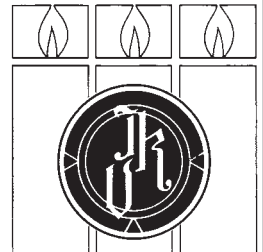


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## February 2017

Spring is nearly here- lots to do- go along and enjoy the Rotary Comedy evening (see back page), or if you fancy something more energetic sign up for the Resolution Run at Hagley Hall on 5th March. Next month our new editor takes over- Esther Gittoes will introduce herself in the March edition and we wish her every success in taking over this role. Thank to everyone who has supported me in being the temporary editor however I am delighted to be handing it over and going back to my normal role as Treasurer.

Nichola Trigg  
Editor

*Front cover photographs of views of Hagley courtesy of Aaron Ackling, Bhavna Abbi and Fran Evans*

### Rotary Christmas Sleigh Fundraiser a great success

Local charities will benefit by over £2000 thanks to the Christmas Sleigh Street Collections over the Christmas period. Children and parents were greeted in their streets to Christmas carols, popular Christmas music, Father Christmas and his sleigh plus lucky dips for the younger ones. Thanks to the generous donations local charities will benefit by over £2,000, including Hagley Explorer Scouts, Mary Stevens Hospice, Action Heart and Young Carers. The street collections were organised by Clent Hills Rotary, supported by Hagley Rotary and Hagley Explorer Scouts. Due to this year's success, it is hoped next year to cover a wider area of Hagley, Clent, Belbroughton and Blakedown. Rudolf and Dancer are already getting very excited.

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Hagley Parish Council has already formally informed BDC that it intends to deliver a Hagley Neighbourhood Plan and work will begin over the coming months. As a reminder Neighbourhood plans give communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area and as such you will be central to this process. This will represent your voice and act as a supplementary planning document. A Parish Council lead team has been set up to take this forward and will be seeking to recruit more volunteers in the near future.

A full and comprehensive consultation will begin as part of the planning process. In the meantime if you wish to know more please contact me or the clerks at Hagley Parish Council.

A letter of complaint has been delivered from HPC to Worcestershire County Council for the attention of the Chief Executive outlining the dissatisfaction with the Authority and the lack of action to resolve the unacceptable safety and congestion issues along the A456.

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Hagley Surgery, with the help from the Patient Participation Group will be producing a monthly newsletter that will be available to collect from the surgery and the pharmacy.

The information contained in the newsletter will relate to any changes or any upcoming events. We hope to begin producing this document in the early part of the 2017.

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# County Council Update

Regarding the A456 Cala 'road improvements,' I have been told at various times by County officers for over 18 months now that they are going to do something then it appears the officers change their minds. I've had meetings with residents, Cala and County officers including the Chief Executive but nothing had progressed until 17th November when I met with Jon Hobbs (Head of Service) and from this meeting I have been promised that consultants are being drafted in to look at the roundabout and the A456/B4187 junction in Hagley Village as County do not have the experts in-house.

In Summary from the meeting with Jon Hobbs this is the action that has been promised: The upgrade of road markings on the roundabout; Full survey of island movements and links by consultants; Also an assessment regarding the delays (queuing) Kidderminster Road and Worcester Road to explore the options. We will have to wait and see what results come from this in the next month.

There is a £5 million county-wide fund for pinch points of congestion on road systems. Please report any pinch points in Hagley directly to the Leader of the Council, Simon Geraghty: sgeraghty@worcestershire.gov.uk

There is a "Driving Home" initiative which covers improvements to side roads such as resurfacing and potholes. Please report via "Report" section on the home page of www.worcestershire.gov.uk

Further funding is available towards a dedicated pavement fund which covers repairs/improvements to pavements. Again report via the website as mentioned above.

The new Local Transport Plan public consultation has started so please put your comments forward on the direct link to the consultation:

<https://www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=147871885958>

Public consultation ends on 17th March.

I have signed off the Station Road clearway at peak times which allows traffic to flow freely at school drop off and pick up times. This same Traffic Regulation Order will give parking restrictions along the left hand side for Park Road too.

Also signed off recently is the extended parking on Worcester Road up to Worcester Close white lines/Spar from 1hr to 2hrs. Enabling longer parking in the village but also giving some shorter stay to keep the turnover of parking availability.

**Rachel Jenkins**

**County Councillor - Clent Hills Ward**

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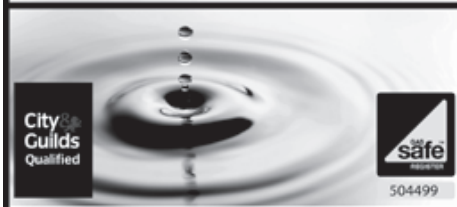
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## BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL UPDATE

**Steve Colella (Hagley West) & Rachel Jenkins (Hagley East)**

As reported in detail in the Hagley Parish Council update Bromsgrove District Council has the final Development Plan ready for adoption at the January full council meeting. If it is adopted by members of the District Council there will begin a series of consultations and links to the Plan will be made available as soon as the document has been produced.

This begins a very lengthy and complex process in which both District Councillors will be actively involved and will be producing updates when they become available.

Two bids submitted on behalf of the Chub (£600,000) and Hagley Scouts (£100,000) by the District Councillors for Hagley will finally be making their way to Bromsgrove District Council's Cabinet and ultimately to Full Council during 2017.

The outcome of this bid is unknown at the time of writing but we would like to thank both project teams for their support in presenting the bids.

The 2017/18 budget proposals will be discussed at the February full council meeting at which the District Council's council tax will be set.



**St. John's**  
Hand & Tower  
Bellringers

The new hand bell-ringers members are learning at a pace and are keen to increase their repertoire to that of the established ringers.

Currently the 27, three-octave set of bells are based on the diatonic scale (that's the white notes on the piano). This means that tunes have to be rearranged from the standard sheet music. Originally the Victorian hand bells purchased in the 1890's were there to practice method ringing associated with tower bells. To make a two and half octave chromatic set of bells an extra twelve bells are needed, a recent quotation for which has been obtained of £4000. That's without the cost of engraving and storage boxes. The hand bell ringers are launching an appeal to raise this money and are keen to inscribe one bell in memory of Milly their former leader.

Tony Battersby at the church office at St. Saviours has agreed to be the collection point for anyone who wishes to donate towards these new bells and storage boxes. The church office is open Monday, Thursday and Fridays from 9am to 1pm. Any donations for this appeal will be greatly appreciated.

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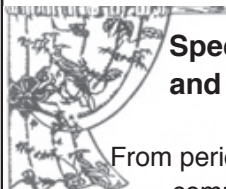
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Music highlights in February include Amen Corner's **Andy Fairweather Low & The Low Riders** and a treat for folk fans in the form of **Fairport Convention**.

Anarchist cook **George Egg** will be seeing what he can rustle up on the iron and **Hardeep Singh Kohli** is back for a return visit. Irish comedian **Grainne Maguire** who has made global headlines because of her Twitter feed is also taking to the Artrix stage this month.

Films and screenings at Artrix Cinema this month include a Valentine's Day screening of **Dirty Dancing**. Other screenings include **My Scientology Movie**, **The Light Between Oceans**, **Fantastic Beasts & Where To Find Them**, **Finding Dory** and **Brokeback Mountain**. There will also be an **NT Live** screening of **St Joan** and a **Royal Ballet Live** screening of **The Sleeping Beauty**.

For further information on all the shows in February please visit [www.artrix.co.uk](http://www.artrix.co.uk) or call the box office on 01527 577330.



**HAGLEY ART CLUB**

## ART CLUB

At our Meeting on Friday, 10 February, John Pooler is our visiting Artist who will be demonstrating "Watercolour Street Scenes".

At the present time we have an Exhibition of paintings at Russell's Hall Hospital. This is at the far end of the Main Entrance and they will be on display until 1st March. If you are visiting and have time do go and have a look round.

Looking ahead to March this will be our AGM, followed by a Member's Corner when invited artists will be talking about their paintings.

Visitors are always welcome and our meetings take place on the second Friday each month in St Saviour's Church Hall at 7.30 pm.

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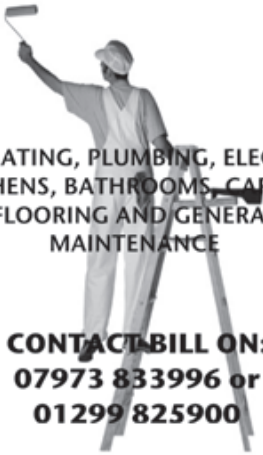


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# WHAT'S ON IN HAGLEY? - February 2017

## Wednesday February 1st

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Merry Hill

### Mothers & Toddlers Group

Free Church Hall - 10-11.30am

### Hagley Tennis Club

Hagley RC School - 6.30pm

### Western Badminton Club

Haybridge Sports Centre - 8-10pm

### St John's Bellringers

St John's Church - 7pm

## Thursday February 2nd

### Hand of Friendship

Free Church Hall - 11-1.15pm

### Taekwondo

Hagley Community Centre - 6-9pm

### Evening Fellowship

Free Church Hall - 8pm

CBSO & me- Joanna Patton

## Friday February 3rd

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Kidderminster or Halesowen

### Messy Church

St Saviour's Church Hall - 3.15-4.45pm

### HCK Badminton

Hagley RC School

7-8pm beginners

8-10pm members

## Saturday February 4th

### Taekwondo

Haybridge Sports Centre - 10-1pm

## Sunday February 5th

### Hagley Tennis Club

Hagley RC School - 10am

## Monday February 6th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Stourbridge

### Hagley Country Dancers

Free Church Hall - 2-3.30pm

## Tuesday February 7th

### String Orchestra

Free Church Hall - 10-12noon

### Active Seniors

Hagley Community Centre - 1.45pm

### Tuesday Group

Free Church Hall - 2.30-4pm

### Historical & Field Society

St Saviour's Hall - 8pm

Journey through time- St Thomas Parish Church

## Wednesday February 8th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Merry Hill

### Mothers & Toddlers Group

Free Church Hall - 10-11.30am

### Hagley Tennis Club

Hagley RC School - 6.30pm

### St John's Bellringers

St John's Church - 7pm

### Western Badminton Club

Haybridge Sports Centre - 8-10pm

## Thursday February 9th

### Hand of Friendship

Free Church Hall - 11-1.15pm

### Taekwondo

Hagley Community Centre - 6-9pm

## Friday February 10th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Kidderminster or Halesowen

### HCK Badminton

Hagley RC School

7-8pm beginners

8-10pm members

### Hagley Art Club

St Saviour's Church Hall - 7.30-

9.30pm

Watercolour Street Scenes

## Saturday February 11th

### Taekwondo

Haybridge Sports Centre - 10-1pm

## Sunday February 12th

### Hagley Tennis Club

Hagley RC School - 10am

## Monday February 13th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Stourbridge

### Hagley Country Dancers

Free Church Hall - 2-3.30pm

### Hagley WI

Hagley Community Centre - 2pm

### Hagley Parish Council

Finance - 7pm

## Tuesday February 14th

### String Orchestra

Free Church Hall - 10-12noon

### Active Seniors

Hagley Community Centre -

1.45pm

### Wyre Forest National Trust

Blakedown Parish Rooms - 7.30pm

AGM followed by Anticipation -

E Greenwood

### Tuesday Group

St Saviour's Church - 8pm

Falconry- Andrew Plant

## Wednesday February 15th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Merry Hill

### Mothers & Toddlers Group

Free Church Hall - 10-11.30am

### St John's Bellringers

St John's Church - 7pm

### Western Badminton Club

Haybridge Sports Centre - 8-10pm

## Thursday February 16th

### Hand of Friendship

Free Church Hall - 11-1.15pm

### Taekwondo

Hagley Community Centre - 6-9pm

### Evening Fellowship

Free Church Hall - 8pm

Duck Pools - a garden divided -

Adam Greathead

## Friday February 17th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

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Halesowen

### HCK Badminton

Hagley RC School

7-8pm beginners

8-10pm members

## Saturday February 18th

### Taekwondo

Haybridge Sports Centre - 10-1pm

### St John's Bellringers

Open Tower- St John's Church -

2pm

## Sunday February 19th

### Hagley Tennis Club

Hagley RC School - 10am

## Monday February 20th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Stourbridge

### Hagley Country Dancers

Free Church Hall - 2-3.30pm

## Tuesday February 21st

### String Orchestra

No meeting

### Active Seniors

Hagley Community Centre -

1.45pm

### Tuesday Tea Club

Free Church Hall - 2.30-4pm

## Wednesday February 22nd

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Merry Hill

### Mothers & Toddlers Group

Free Church Hall - 10-11.30am

St John's Church - 7pm

### Gardening Club

AGM-St Saviour's Church Hall - 7.30pm

### Western Badminton Club

Haybridge Sports Centre - 8-10pm

## Thursday February 23rd

### Hand of Friendship

Free Church Hall - 11-1pm

## Friday February 24th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Kidderminster or Halesowen

### HCK Badminton

Hagley RC School

7-8pm beginners

8-10pm members

## Saturday February 25th

### Taekwondo

Haybridge Sports Centre - 10-1pm

## Sunday February 26th

### Hagley Tennis Club

Hagley RC School - 10am

## Monday February 27th

### Dial A Ride Bus Service

Hagley to Stourbridge

### Hagley Country Dancers

Free Church Hall - 2-3.30pm

### Hagley Parish Council

Environmental/Highways - 7pm

## Tuesday February 28th

### String Orchestra

Free Church Hall - 10-12noon

### Active Seniors

Hagley Community Centre - 1.45pm

### Tuesday Group

No meeting

## VILLAGE NEWS

### HAGLEY COUNTRY MARKET

The Market will be open on Friday 10th February and Friday 24th February for the sale of homemade cakes and pies, preserves, free range eggs and handmade crafts. We are open 9:00am-12:30pm and hope to see you then.

Can you cook or bake? Are you looking for something to do in your spare time? We are always looking for new producers of bakes, cakes, crafts and plants/vegetables for our market. There is no fixed commitment as you are free to offer produce for sale on a regular or entirely occasional basis.

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## Hagley Historical and Field Society



Has there been a Teddy Bear in your life? Maybe there still is. I was reminded recently by a long time resident of Hagley that in 1944 an American Field Hospital was briefly based at 'Oldfield Hollies' before moving to France shortly after D-Day. 'Oldfield Hollies' was a large house off Middlefield Lane which now no longer exists. A few of the American staff were billeted with Hagley families. Two such were billeted with this resident's family. Wartime hardships meant that there were few new toys around and certainly no Teddy Bear for this young girl. After the war one of guests sent a parcel to the family which contained a Teddy Bear as a 'thank you' for the kindness shown during his stay.

The 'Teddy Bear' is an American invention, named after President Theodore (Teddy) Roosevelt, but as our speaker this month Dr Gillian White told us, it was not the first toy bear. The first toy bear with jointed arms and legs was made in 1902 by the Steiff company in Germany. It had a now familiar trade mark. So, have a look in your loft for a bear with a 'button in the ear'. It may be valuable. In 1994 one fetched £110,000 at auction

In the interest of fairness I should tell you that 'other bears are available' and were mentioned. With nostalgia you may remember: Winnie-the-Pooh, Rupert, Sooty, Biffo (Beano), Paddington, Yogi and Aloysius (Brideshead Revisited). We always have a soft spot for a bear.

Our next meeting at St Saviour's Church Hall is on Tuesday 7th February 2017 at 7.30pm. There will be a presentation entitled 'A Journey Through Time - The Parish Church of St Thomas, Stourbridge'. St Thomas is an attractive Grade I listed Georgian Church built in about 1736 and situated in the town centre. It is affectionately known locally as "St Thomas's opposite Waitrose".

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*Jeff Cope*



## Wyre Forest National Trust

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Tuesday 14th February - 7.30pm at Blakedown Parish Rooms

Followed by IN ANTICIPATION, an illustrated presentation on our forthcoming summer outings by Eric Greenwood. Do come along and join us.

Marjorie Fernihough

## LOVE HAGLEY

Join us in 2017 - stay in the loop with social media

**Love Hagley** is a Facebook group which has been set up to share positive local news and events. Anyone with a link to Hagley can join the group, just look for us on Facebook or email Fran at [contactme@francescaevans.com](mailto:contactme@francescaevans.com)

### What we like:

- Local business recommendations
- Charity, not-for-profit and social group news, school news, events
- Lost and found, traffic updates, planning news, local photos past and present (with copyright permission)
- Local business news, village history, interesting snippets of local information
- Police and parish council info
- Anything to do with the Hagley Community Centre and activities which go on there

### What we don't like

- Ads (except for charity/not for profit)
- Rudeness, negativity
- Swearing, jibes, business bashing
- Religious or political posts
- Self-promotion (using the group to promote your own business)

### About the group

The original What's Happy in Hagley group may have been deleted on 21st December accidentally by Facebook whilst they were doing some maintenance so we have had to start the group from scratch, sorry for any inconvenience.

The group currently has around 600 members and is moderated by a small team of volunteers, Fran, Pete, and Louisa on behalf of the HCA.

We hope you find **Love Hagley** a useful and fun way to share useful local information.

**Hagley Community Association** – there is a Facebook page for the Association, which is specifically about community centre events and news. You can contact us via this page if you have a general question about the community centre, being an affiliate or would like to join the group. However for bookings it's still best to contact the Bookings Team on 07891 365290

**Community events** – we are currently putting together a plan of the forthcoming year's events for the Community Centre. If you are interested in hosting or supporting event please get in touch with HCA PR and Events Manager Fran Evans on 07811 178576.

# CLUB REPORTS



## HAGLEY RC HIGH SCHOOL

The Spring Term has kicked off with a number of sporting successes amongst our pupils.

### Football

After hard fought victories over George Salter Academy and St Edmund Campion Catholic School, our Under 18 boys' team have progressed into the semi-finals of the West Midlands County Cup. Our Under 16 boys' team are unbeaten this season and have qualified for the Halesowen and Stourbridge District Cup Final.

Year 7 girls won the District five-a-side competition and have qualified for the Regional knock-outs.

### Basketball

Due to their outstanding performances in the District basketball leagues, our Under 14 and Under 16 girls' teams have qualified to represent Dudley in the Black Country School Games.

### Regional Tennis

Our Under 13 boys' team won the County tennis competition on during the summer term and then progressed through the knock-out rounds to qualify for the regional finals 2016. This achievement places them in the final 16 teams in Great Britain. As is often the case, we were the last state school left in the competition!

### Badminton

Girls and boys U14 teams and girls U16 team won the district round and have qualified for the county round of the National competition.

### Table Tennis

Boys U13, U16 & U19 teams all represented the school in district round of the School Games Competition. All teams finished in second place, all being narrowly beaten by Oldswinford Hospital School.

### Upcoming Events

9 February	Dance Trip
14 February	Our Lady of Lourdes Celebration
28 February	Poetry Live

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## Hagley Theatre Group



At the time of going to press the Theatre Group is still narrowing down the list of shows for the next production in October. New entrants to the group will have joined in January and this will influence the final decision. It is a careful process and there's a lot to live up to based on the quality of previous shows such as Bugsy Malone, Into the Woods, Grease and Les Miserables.

As mentioned previously the Youth Section would like to see more lads join. Rehearsals can be a lot of fun and it's a chance to learn new skills and make new friends. Performing in shows can help develop confidence in speaking in front of others which everybody has to do at some stage; at work or even if chosen to be a best man at a mate's wedding. If you're interested then please ring 07907 457217.

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# CLUB REPORTS



## Friends of St John's Church

Sunday 12th Feb. sees St. John's hosting wedding fashion shows in association with Hagley Hall's "Wedding Showcase" from 11.00am – 4.00pm, including fashion shows in the church, at 1.00pm and 3.00pm.

Still on the wedding theme, on Sunday 5th March at 3pm all the couples planning weddings in The Holy Cross Group of churches—that's Belbroughton (Holy Trinity), Blakedown (St. James the Great), Broome (St Peter), Clet (St. Leonard's), Churchill (St James), Fairfield (St. Mark's) and Hagley (St. John the Baptist and St. Saviour's) are being invited to a wedding couples' tea at St. John's Baptist in Hagley. It's a great time for the couples to get advice with regard to flowers, the order of service, hymns, processional music, bell-ringing, and those small things that can make their special day go off without a hitch. Experts will be on hand to answer questions. The organist will also play various excerpts from music. We look forward to seeing you.

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## Church services at St Peter's Parish Church, BROOME for February



**Sunday 5th February 2017 - 4th before Lent.**  
9am - Holy Eucharist - Broome

**Sunday 19th February 2017 - 2nd before Lent.**  
9am - Holy Eucharist - Broome

**Sunday 12th February 2017 - 3rd before Lent.**  
10am - combined churches Eucharist - Churchill

**Sunday 26th February 2017 - Sunday before Lent**  
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## Hagley Tuesday Group

Formerly Hagley wives and Women's Fellowship

Andrew Plant has kindly stepped in to give a talk about falconry at our meeting on 14 February. Unfortunately due to the hall being used for a church function, we don't have a meeting on 28 February.

On 14 March we have a talk by Ray Sturdy entitled Witley Court, The Rise and Fall of a Palace, this should be a very interesting talk about a great house which is now in ruins.

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## Hagley Gardeners' Club

February 23rd – AGM with the announcement of your 2017/18 programme and our first Outing in the summer.

March 22nd will be presented by the charity organisation 'Thrive'. This is a very interesting insight into the ways of helping handicapped children and adults to get involved with gardening and the expectations of participants. The Speaker gets the audience involved with trying out some of the ways of attempting difficult jobs in the garden and encouraging the involvement of people to support this very needy charity.

April 26th starts the 2017 year with an interesting talk from Jim Preston and Mervyn Needham about their visit to 'Transylvania in Romania'.

### ***Waiting for Spring***

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**Judy Berrow**

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February sees the club looking at some critical games ahead in the final months of the league season. Despite injuries we have managed to field teams for all matches. Promotion is possible for the Worcester Vets team, but the other teams look to be mid table at best. Mainly due to the move this year to bring the younger players on which should benefit the club long term.

The beginners club continues, with new members continuing to join. Anyone wishing to come along will be very welcome. This section of the club is pay and play at £5 per evening and rackets can be provided. So there is no excuse not to come and give it a go.

We play at Hagley Catholic School Sports Hall on Friday evenings. The beginners/ social section from 7 till 8pm which is followed by the main club night from 8 to 10 pm. (Match nights – Tuesday – 8 till 10pm)

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February 2<sup>nd</sup>

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February 16<sup>th</sup>

Speaker: Adam Greathead

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10.30am 6.00pm  
Sunday School at 10.15am

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	pm	Rev David Tennant*		pm	Rev Richard Newton
12 <sup>th</sup> February	am	Rev Rikki Twigg	26 <sup>th</sup> February	am	Rev Dr Phillip Rees
	pm	Rev Ian King		pm	Mr Andy Hewines

\*Includes Holy Communion

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#### Hagley Hall Wedding Showcase. Sunday 12 February

There will be a stall and information about church weddings in St John's church during the afternoon.

#### Mothers' Union AGM & Tea

Thursday 16 February: in St Saviour's Hall 2.30pm

#### FEBRUARY SERVICES

Date	8.00 am St John's	9.30 am St Saviour's	10.30 am St John's	10.45 am St Saviour's	6.30 pm
5 Feb 4 bf Lent		Café Church Church Hall	Holy Communion		<u>6.00 pm</u> Shared Worship <b>Free Church</b>
12 Feb 3 bf Lent	Holy Communion		Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	
19 Feb 2 bf Lent			Parish Family Communion		Evening Praise <b>St Saviour's</b>
26 Feb Sunday bf Lent	Holy Communion			Parish Communion <b>St Saviour's</b>	Evening Prayer <b>St Saviour's</b>

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# 886696

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St Saviour's Church Centre on Wednesday, 1st March  
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Last year we enjoyed a very interesting talk by Vince Williams and Jon Goodson on 'Idle Women' – young women who were trained during WW2 to take narrow boats from Birmingham to London and back laden with goods – often dangerous – necessary for the war. We look forward to their talk on Monday 13 February on the role of 'The WI during the War'. Then at the meeting on Monday 13 March, Mark Billen will tell us about 'Creating Books for Children'.

Besides the monthly meeting, we go out for lunch each month to local restaurants. There is also a Craft Group who knit matinee coats and hats for the local Premature Baby Unit and tops for older children. At the moment they are busily making colourful blankets for a local care home.

If this sounds interesting or you are new to the district and would like to meet people, you would be very welcome at our meetings. We meet on the second Monday of each month at 2pm in the Community Centre – and we'll look forward to seeing you.

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