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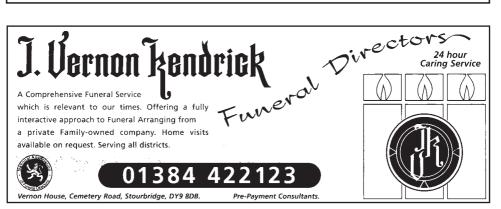
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### **EDITORIAL JUNE 2018**

### Welcome to June edition of Hagley Village News.

June is the first month of summer, known for paddling pool dips, sticky ice-lollies and summer BBQ's. It's also the month where we celebrate the male role models in our lives, as Father's day fast approaches.

In Hagley this month we have the James Bond Havana Ball fundraiser on the 30th of June, proceeds go towards the new community centre, more on page 26. The Active Seniors celebrate their 2nd birthday, HAPPY BIRTHDAY. They still have some availability remaining for classes, more on page 17. Hagley Library starts their own Walking for Health Group, make sure you attend their first walk and show lots of support, more on page 37.

Finally I would like to say huge congratulations to Hagley Theatre group for an excellent performance of 'Little Shops of Horrors', the cast were brilliant and they had me in stiches throughout the performance. If you or a family member would be interested in joining the theatre group or learning more head to page 38.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

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Esther Gittoes Editor

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### **BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL UPDATE**

The open public consultation in respect of the proposed erection of a 61 Private Care Home on Land off Bennett Drive Hagley was attended by both Councillors. The consultation will now be followed by a formal planning application planned for the end of May.

Any comments please refer them to Bromsgrove District Council's planning department.

Community groups in Hagley can apply for grants to help pay for community projects. Bromsgrove District Council has allocated £79,000 for the grants out of 'New Homes Bonus' money it receives from the Government for the first few years after new homes are built, and applications for some of that money can now be made. However, you will need to be quick as it closes on the 15th June!

Two tiers of grants are available, smaller grants for up to £1,500 and larger grants for up to  $\pm$ 15,800.

Anyone that intends to have their bids reviewed by officers prior to submission, which can help with the process, will need to submit them immediately. Any submissions will need the support of their Ward Councillor.

At a recent Full Council meeting it was resolved to suspend the proposed revocation of the Hagley Air Quality Monitor Area until costs for more sensitive monitor equipment can be sourced. It was recognised that in order to measure the actual highest level of air pollutants and airborne particulate matters a greater degree on monitor accuracy is required.

Councillors Steve Colella (Hagley West) and Jenkins (Hagley East)

# Hagley Parish Council Update

I start with welcoming Yann Lovelock to Hagley Parish council as a recently new co-opted member. Yann comes to us as a recent newbie to Hagley and comes with a wide and varied wealth of experience in local community matters.

Over the next few months there will be an opportunity for you to take part in two local consultation processes. The first one being in respect of the outdoor gym equipment planned for the playing fields and the second one will be on the Hagley Neighbourhood plan process.

The Outdoor gym equipment consultation will be held in the Hagley Parish meeting room on the 9th June between 9:00am and 1pm. After which the plans will be available to view via the Clerk for a further two weeks.

The Neighbourhood plan consultation will be held in July (exact dates to be announced) and will be the start of the formal neighbourhood plan consultation process. This process states that the initial consultation will be an information sharing exercise to inform residents and stakeholders of the purpose of neighbourhood planning. More detailed consultation on the main building blocks of the plan will follow later in the year.

Believe it or not we've began to plan for this year's Christmas in Hagley event. The meeting was held on the hottest day of the year at that point and followed a cancelled meeting due to a heavy snowfall! Just shows that we never stand still at Hagley Parish Council.

### Steve Colella – Chairman Hagley Parish Council

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# Hagley Neighbourhood Watch June update

At long last spring is beginning to show itself! If you have a garden shed or outside storage don't forget to keep it locked as its contents usually have a range of valuable equipment, bikes or tools. Also remember these tools could be used to gain access to the property. Furthermore sheds make a perfect play 'den' for children and with so many hazards from sharp objects, paints and hazardous liquids it could quite quickly turn into a very dangerous environment. Keep if safe and lock it away.

Further to the recent announcement in respect of a public consultation being run by the Police and Crime Commissioner across West Mercia (including Hagley) whereby views on local policing are sought I can now confirm that the current consultation is for Parish Councils but will be followed by a similar public consultation.

The detail of which will be reported shortly (at the time of writing) and will involve the wider community. This will include a wide section of the community so I would encourage as much participation as possible.

This survey is proposed to involve local people on an annual basis to produce quarterly reports on public confidence and perceptions of policing across West Mercia.

The main crime is currently around some vandalism and criminal damage. These usually take place late at night and local information suggests younger local age groups. As usual please report to 101 or 999 if it's a case of emergency.

### **Coordinators Steve Colella and Roger Seabury**

# **Hagley Playgroup**

We are well into our summer term, and enjoying lots of exciting activities, both indoor and out. We are now preparing some of our older children for the next stage of their education, and also holding inductions for our new intake in September. If you have a child between the age of two to four years, and feel they are ready for their first steps of independence in a safe, caring environment, then please contact me for more details. We are Ofsted registered and cover all areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage, whilst learning through play.

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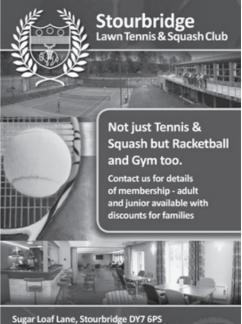
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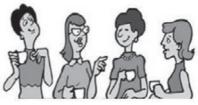
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the questions she was asked on the show to see if we knew the answers, it made a really fun evening.

Booking for our trip to the National Memorial Arboretum on June 12th were taken and already we have nearly got a full coach. It should be a great day out.

On June 26th we have Rosemary Prosser coming to talk to us about Farmyard Tales and goodness me we will have our AGM on July 10th when we look back on our year and look forward to our new programme which will begin in September. My word this year seems to have flown by and filled with many good things.

We had a most enjoyable evening celebrating the 60th anniversary of our group formerly known as Young Wives and Women's Fellowship with a splendid meal prepared by Jean Deacy, which was followed by entertainment. Many former members joined us and we had a most excellent evening at Hagley Free Church Hall.

Toni Allison

# **Active seniors**



Happy Birthday to us ! Happy Birthday to us!

It is hard for us to believe but two years ago we had just booked the community centre

to start exercise classes for older adults – and here we are in June 2018 with 5 classes over two afternoons each week with in excess of 100 people exercising regularly with us!!

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We have made another successful visit to Parliament, with students from Years 7, 8, 9 and 10. On arrival we were pleased to catch the end of the unveiling of the new statue to Suffragist Millicent Fawcett. We then had a guided tour of the House of Commons followed by a great interactive workshop in the Parliamentary Education Centre.

Two intrepid staff members, Mrs Rudd and Mr Martin have bravely signed up to do a sponsored Skydive to raise funds for the charity Mental Health Foundation www.mentalhealth.org.uk and we all look forward to getting behind them in their endeavour (not literally, of course!).

Finally, may we take this opportunity to thank all of those who supported our Fundraising Dinner hosted by Adrian Chiles in April. It was a huge success and we are truly grateful for the goodwill that was demonstrated in the run-up and on the evening itself. Current figures suggest that we raised approximately £5000 towards building a new sports pavilion for both school and community use.



# Girl Guiding in Hagley

Very busy term with lots of the units going away on residential, the girls favourite time as they get do to lots of different activities from archery, high ropes, climbing wall, crate stacking to Ariel runway. The rainbows have been on their County trip on the Severn Valley Railway

to a park where they were pond dipping and playing outdoor games.

2nd Hagley Guides are currently busy trying to raise money to replace their outdated camping equipment. For anyone who used to be a Girl Guide, you will remember what a key part of Guiding camping is. Unfortunately, our resources are old and need updating. As usual, our Guides don't let this stop them... and two of our older Guides working on their Baden Powell award are busy getting involved with fundraising at the Belbroughton Food festival (15th July) to try to raise money, whilst the unit is also applying for grants. If any businesses or individuals would like to support them in their aim to raise over £4,000, please get in touch with Deb at gascoynedeb@gmail.com. Whether it's supporting the cake sale or donating, they'd love to hear from you! Any support will be thanked on their BRAND-NEW Facebook page too."

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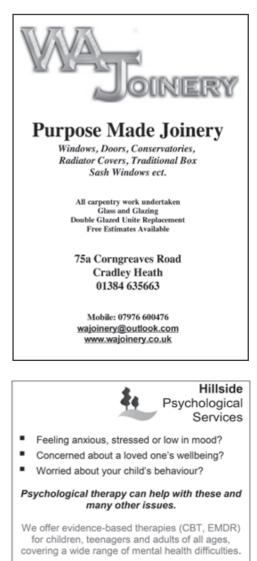
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### WHAT'S ON IN HAGLEY? - JUNE 2018

### MONDAY

Dial a ride	Hagley - Stourbridge		Every Mon
Hagley Playgroup	Community Centre	9-12 noon	Every Mon
Country Dancers	Free Church Hall	2-3:30pm	Every Mon
Hagley WI Rosemary Prosser: 'Farmyard Tales'	Community Centre	2pm	June 11th

### TUESDAY

Hagley Playgroup	Community Centre	9-12 noon	Every Tues
String Orchestra	Free Church Hall	10-12 noon	Every Tues
Active Seniors	Community centre	1:45 & 3pm	Every Tues
Ladies Afternoon fellowship	Free Church Hall	2:30pm	June 26th
Tuesday Tea Club		2:30pm-4pm	June 5th & 19th
Active Seniors- Tai Chi	Community Centre	4:30 –5:20pm	Every Tues
Village Ladies - *Rosemary Prosser: Farmyard Tales	St Saviours Church	7:30pm	June 26th
Historical & Field society - Dr Gillian White: "Nicholas Hilliard & the Art of the Miniature"	St Saviours Church	8pm	June 5th

### WEDNESDAY

Dial a Ride	Hagley – Merry Hill		Every Wed
Hagley Playgroup	Community Centre	9-12 noon	Every Wed
Mothers & Toddlers group	Free Church Hall	10-11:30am	Every Wed
St John's Bellringers	St Johns Church	6:45pm	Every Wed
Western Badminton	Haybridge Sports Centre	8-10pm	Every Wed
Walking for health group	St John's	10:30am	June 13th
Coffee Morning	Hagley Library	10:15am	June 2nd
Gardener's Club - Nigel Hopes – A whole year in the gardens	St Saviours Hall	7:30pm	

### THURSDAY

Story time	Hagley Library	10:30-11am	Every Thurs
Hand of Friendship	Free Church Hall	11 – 1:15pm	Every Thurs
Active Seniors	Community Centre	1:45pm: less challenging class 3:15pm: Slightly Challenging	Every Thurs
Taekwondo	Community Centre	6-9pm	Every Thurs
Community orchestra rehearsal	St Saviours Church	5:50pm – 7pm	June 7th, 14th, 21st

### FRIDAY

Dial a Ride	Hagley – Kidderminster or Halesowen		Every Fri	
Hagley Playgroup	Community Centre	9 – 12noon	Every Fri	
HCK Badminton	Hagley RC School	7-8pm Beginners 8-10pm Members	Every Fri	
Art Club - Di Cope, visiting Artist, will be demonstrating "Collage/Mixed Media	St Saviours Church	7:30pm	June 8th	
Messy Church	St Saviour's Hall	3:15 – 4:45pm	June 8th	
Concert for The Blue Cross Animal Rehoming Centre Bromsgrove	St Saviour's Church	7:30pm	June 22nd	

### SATURDAY

Taekwondo	Haybridge Sports Centre	10-1pm	Every Sat	
SUNDAY				
Community Orchestra      St Johns Church      9am rehearsal 10:30am Service      June 24th				

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# Sayulita by Esther Gittoes

We've arrived at Sayulita, a hippy town just an hour from Puerto Vallarta, a town nestled on Mexico's pacific side. The window is slightly open to allow the refreshing breeze to seep through, the sun bellows onto my salty skin and the radio sits silently as we arrive at the hipster town. The delicate pastel coloured bunting hangs over the palm trees that line the market streets. We pay the taxi man the fare in Mexican peso's and leave the ample coolness of the taxi to the sweltering pavements. The bunting flutters in the wind flaunting the colours of magenta, marmalade and iris. I slowly walk down the incline cobbled path towards the bustling market stalls, the tables of beads, handmade crafts and scarfs line the colourful street. The houses and shops are painted in rich colours of bright teal, gypsy red and canary yellow. I wander down the sloping path towards the beach and eager marketers, "massage" they call to me, "tours, tours" they shout in my direction. I quickly shake my head and hurry to the shoreline, hopping on each foot as the sand's burning heat consumes the feeling in my feet.

I lay down my towel on the silky sand and sank my hands beneath the golden grains. After refusing several umbrellas and massage services, I relax and gaze at the man-made view ahead. The overpopulated range of green foliage surrounds the eco-tourist hotels, the sun loungers are half dug in the sand and the beach seller's do their rounds. After a few hours under the glowing sun, we walk back through the streets passing obscure stores, which are painted brightly coloured with caricature 'day of the dead' drawings. Each shop exuberates the surfing ambience of this little town, with beaded jewellery, surfboards and tie dye garments. The smell of freshly cooked fish tickles my nostrils and the taste of the salty wind is all I can taste. We convene at a pizzeria, overlooking Sayulita's beach, the flies swarm around our moist foreheads, unfazed by our slow swatting reaction. The pizza arrives roughly the size of a large plate, the stringy cheese hangs over the base and the taste of rich tomatoes is magic to my taste buds. Sayulita exults the feeling of serenity and composure, the laid-back surfer's attitude is clear as we pass by the last of the market stalls and make our way back to a taxi towards the main square.

# VILLAGE INFORMATION

# Hagley String Orchestra

As well as playing string orchestral music, HSO has a tradition of including one chamber music work each term, and we are now enjoying a String Quartet by Andrew Downes.

Andrew Downes, a Hagley resident for many years, is an internationally-famed and prolific composer with works performed all over the world. Teaching composition at the former Birmingham School of Music, Professor Downes successfully persuaded the authorities to instigate composing as a Main Study, thus establishing one of the most important Departments of Composition in the UK, currently thriving at the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire.

Andrew's String Quartet No. 1 was written in 1977, and has been performed many times, both as a quartet and also by string orchestras. Based on classical lines with a strong influence of jazz, its three – Quick, Slow, Quick – movements are full of exuberant energy and are rewarding and great fun to play.

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### St. John's Remember the Ringers

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Robert is one of our young ringers that has joined the ringers' elite; by completing a quarter peal at St. John's, the first such by a Hagley ringer at St. John's this century. With 5 others, his 42 minutes of Grandsire Doubles, ringing on the lightest bell is a major achievement for a young person.

Throughout the ringing, the order of the bells changes so everyone must know the new order for each of the bells. Good co-ordination is essential during the 1280 changes of approximately one change every 2 seconds. It's all about technique rather than brawn, as the heavy bells swing high up above your head, below the steeple.

This achievement has gone towards Robert's submission for a Duke of Edinburgh's silver award. Whatever career path he has in future, this skill will be there to use and enjoy at the 1000's of towers around the English-speaking world. Just find out their practice night and new acquaintances are ensured.

Recently a tower at Ypres in Belgium has a new peal of bells hung. A team of ringing teachers have been there teaching the skills to locals. No doubt this will feature in news items as we head towards the 100 years anniversary of the end of WW1 on 11th November 2018.

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### **Hagley Historical and Field Society**



The Belne Brook rises in the valley between Walton and Romsley Hills and flows westward for some nine miles to join the River Stour on the south side of Kidderminster where it is known as Hoo Brook. It had a large influence on the economic activity in our area supporting 25 mills from at least the 13th century,

gradually switching from corn milling to metal grinding as the industrial revolution took hold.

Our speaker this month, Tim Booth, informed us that the man who laid the foundation for Belbroughton's supremacy in scythe making was Isaac Nash who brought Black Country expertise into the village. Nash served his apprenticeship as a forger and plater in Dudley before moving to Belbroughton to take over Newtown Forge in 1840.

At this time the Belbroughton mills worked in combination, one doing the forging or plating and another, the grinding and polishing. Isaac Nash was the first to integrate these processes by taking over neighbouring mills so that he could combine the whole process. By the 1880s Nash owned or rented some eleven mills and forges in the area employing more than one hundred workers.

Our next meeting at St Saviour's Church Hall is on Tuesday 5th June 2018 at 8.00pm when we will have a presentation by Dr Gillian White entitled "Nicholas Hilliard and the Art of the Miniature". Nicholas Hilliard was an Elizabethan goldsmith best known for his small oval portrait miniatures of members of the courts of Elizabeth I and James I. Gillian White has visited us a number of times and we can be certain of a very entertaining evening. Visitors are most welcome at all our events – see hhfs.org.uk for details and contacts.

Jeff Cope

### HAGLEY W.I.

'Queen Victoria – A Life in Pictures' was an illuminating and fascinating talk by Dr Gillian White at our March meeting. She showed very familiar pictures – often staged to illustrate the Queen's dedication to her people and family life – and also unfamiliar images – including an 1897 photograph of her smiling. Gillian's lively descriptions of

Queen Victoria's public and private life 'behind the pictures' was hugely entertaining.

At our meeting on Monday 11 June, Rosemary Prosser will be the speaker on 'Farmyard Tales' and Richard Kendrick will give a talk entitled 'Behind the Scenes with a TV Caterer' when we meet on Monday 9 July.

In between, on Monday 18 June members will be going to Barnt Green Cricket Club for lunch, which is always enjoyable and the food is delicious! There is also a monthly Friday lunch when members enjoy a social meal at local-ish pubs and restaurants.

We have a monthly Craft Group with members making their own crafts or items for the local hospital, for local Homes and charities and we also collect toiletries, clothes, bedding, towels and toys which we take to a local women's refuge.

If this sounds interesting and you would like to meet other ladies, we hope you'll come along to our meetings. These are on the second Monday of the month at 2.00 pm in the Community Centre. We are a friendly group and are always pleased to welcome visitors and new members - we look forward to seeing you! And if you would like to know more, feel free to contact me - 01384 371999.

Rosie Wynne



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# Blakedown and Hagley Tennis Club

There has been an exciting development in local tennis. A new club has been created by the merger of two village institutions. Blakedown and Hagley Tennis Club was formed on 16th April this year and looks forward to welcoming new members of all ages and abilities.

The excellent facilities are based in Blakedown and consist of three hard courts, two of which are floodlit, plus a clubhouse. The entrance is on the left-hand side of the main road as you head towards Kidderminster, just before the primary school.

There are various mix-in sessions during the week, including cardio events plus coaching for seniors and juniors, the latter being a particular draw for budding tennis stars of the future. For full details of everything that the new club has to offer please go to www.blakedownhagleytennis.co.uk

If you fancy joining a family-friendly club why not give it a try. You won't regret it. See you on court!

Sandy Thomas

# Hagley Country Dancers

We go into the last month of our 2017-18 year and can look back on a very successful 12 months. Six new members have joined us and we have a new caller to help the stalwarts who have been sharing duties for some years. Attendances are well up on last year and there is always a good buzz of conversation between dances.

We have continued with our established mixture of Playford Dances, Community Dances and dances of a more recent vintage, all of which remain popular. On a recent afternoon

we danced "Haste to the Wedding", to celebrate with the Royals and wished Harry and Meghan well in their life together.

We finish for the summer on June 25th, with our garden party to follow on July 2nd. The Autumn term starts on September 10th.

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### AGE NEWS

# **Hagley Library**

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#### Jenny Davies



# ART CLUB

At our Meeting on Friday, 8th June, Di Cope, visiting Artist, will be demonstrating "Collage/Mixed Media". A fascinating subject to watch. If you would like to see this demonstration, visitors

are very welcome. Our Meetings start at 7.30pm, and take place at St Saviour's Church Hall.

Looking ahead to July, our visiting Artist, Sabrina Baker, is coming to demonstrate and tell us all about Abstract Art for Beginners.

Anne Garth. 07975824100

# **Hagley Theatre Group**



The young adults, most of whom were former members of the theace Group's Youth Section gave great performances in their production

of Little Shop of Horrors, 12-14 April. Lets hope when their studies have finished these young adult performers will continue to tread the boards and entertain. The Community's stage was transformed with a revolve that let us see inside and outside the florist's shop. The monstrous Audrey plant eventually came to dominate the whole set. Our next production will be the musical Half a Sixpence to be performed by the Youth Section in October. More details will follow in the next issue of the Village News. If you have any interest in staging live theatre telephone 07907457217.

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Anne Mortan will describe the excellent work that the charity does with its 250 staff and volunteers. Anne is part of St Basils Fundraising Team.

There are so many heart warming facts of the help that St. Basils has given, that the scale of the issues facing some our young people will surprise you.

Almost 5000 young people were provided with advice and support in the past year. St. Basil's is about young adults like Beth, a former young resident given help by the charity, who is now a published poet who eloquently expresses her journey into adult-hood with the help of St. Basil's.

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## **Hagley Gardeners' Club**

Luscious planting schemes seen at our April meeting in slides of the gardens at Morton Hall refreshed us after the frustrations of the delayed Spring. Looking ahead, here are some dates to note:

#### July 27th

We look forward to an evening visit to an unusual urban garden dedicated to woodland and shade-loving plants, including some tropical and foreign species. The garden is at 74 Meadow Road, Wythall (two miles north of Junction 3 on the M42). We will meet at the gardens at 7.15 p.m. There is an entrance fee of £5.00, which includes light refreshments. Members are required to arrange their own transport, but we will be car sharing. More details at the June meeting.

#### August 22nd

For a talk about conservatories and house plants we shall welcome Philip Aubury, who spent 20 years as director of the Birmingham Botanical Gardens and helped to shape the gardens into a beautiful oasis of greenery in a busy modern city. Philip will pass on helpful tips about how to grow house plants and keep pests under control.

#### September 26th

Our annual informal Harvest/Ploughman's supper gathering. Visitors welcome. Ticket  $\pounds7.50$  per head. Please purchase before the event from Judy Iliff. Tel. 01562 883568

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John Oakes Chairman



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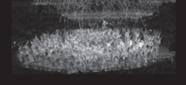


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On Saturday June 16th at 7.30pm in St James Church, Wollaston, members of Hagley Community Orchestra will be joining players from Central England Camerata and actors from the Francis Brett Young Society for our 5th performance of **The Ballad of Saint Kenelm:** the long poem by Francis Brett Young, beautifully set to music by Hagley composer, Andrew Downes. This Dramatic Cantata in costume was premiered in St Johns' Church, Hagley, in 2015. If you would like to see it again or if you have yet to see it, tickets will be available on the night at the door of St James Church, Wollaston, at £10 (free for under 18s).

Our orchestra really enjoyed playing in the Mothering Sunday family service in St Saviour's Church, Hagley, in the spring. Now we are also looking forward to playing for the **St John's Church Patronal Festival service** on Sunday morning June 24th at 10.30am.

Our piece before the service will be Handel's March from Scipio and at the end we will give a lively rendition of Jazz Music for Beetles by Ned Bennett. We will also be accompanying the hymns.

If you would like to join us in the orchestra for the service, please contact Cynthia Downes, Musical Director, on 01562 886625 or 07545 773 139.

We will be rehearsing in St Saviour's Church, Hagley, on Thursdays June 7th, 14th and 21st from 5.30-7pm. The final rehearsal will be in St John's Church at 9am on the morning of the service.

Cynthia Downes

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### VILLAGE INFORMATION







### What is Fellowship

As I approach my time as President of Hagley Rotary I am thinking about what I would like to achieve during my year in office. When I joined Rotary I never really thought about the 'Fellowship' or what it meant to me.

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Rotary was founded on fellowship, a concept that has been expanded internationally through over 33,000 Rotary clubs worldwide that bring together members from different countries and cultures to enjoy a shared interest. That shared interest is making a difference to other people's lives whether



that is in the form of raising money for donations to local and international charities, an act of kindness or service to the community.

In addition to fostering lifelong friendships, Rotary Clubs keep members active in organising events to promote itself, sustaining members' interest ands inspiring commitment. We at Hagley Rotary encompass a variety of vocations and avocations, all of which serve as a way to extend fellowship, friendship, and service.

In addition to offering members an opportunity to share their passion for a particular interest with like-minded Rotarians, many individual fellowship groups enable members to use their hobbies or skills to serve others. This could be the running to raise money through sponsorship, the sharing of IT knowledge to solve a computer problems or speaking at our fellowship meetings to share our passions that are personal to us, for example Jazz, Travel, and other things that have touched our heart like the kindness we have received from a local hospice.

We have just returned from our annual President's Away Weekend at Brecon which was organised by President Janet Wicks. Her late husband Stewart, who was also a Rotary member, would have been so proud of her achievement.

We had fun and laughter and a few tears from me especially when we toasted to "Absent Friends" during my thankyou speech to Janet. My fellow Rotarians entertained us with their jokes, poems and stories and I can honestly say that we although we are a diverse bunch of all ages I have never laughed so much.

If you feel that you have time to spare and would like to join in with fun and fellowship at our Rotary Club, please come and meet us at the Stone Manor Hotel at 7 pm for 7.30pm on Monday evenings (Excluding Bank Hols) or call:

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#### JUNE 2018

Friday 8 June: Messy Church in St Saviour's Hall 3.15 - 4.45 pm. Play, art and crafts, refreshments, and lots of fun. Children of any age, with a parent/carer, are very welcome to come and join in. (This has been moved from the first Friday of the month because of Half Term)

Wednesday 13 June: Coffee Morning in St John's. 10.30 Half an hour of music, played by Paul Evans. 11.00 Talk by Anne Moron on how St Basil's aim to prevent homelessness.

Thursday 21 June: Mothers' Union Garden Party.

Friday 22 June: Concert for The Blue Cross Animal Rehoming Centre Bromsgrove – St Saviour's Church, 7.30 pm with the Bel Canto Singers – refreshments available. More information from Tina Burdett on 07464 496250.

Date	Mornings at St John's	Mornings at St Saviour's	Evenings
3 June Trinity I	10.30 am Holy Communion	9.30 am Café Church	6.30 pm Evening Prayer St John's
10 June Trinity 2	8.00 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Morning Prayer	10.45 am Holy Communion	
17 June Trinity 3		10.45 am Parish Communion	6.30 pm Evening Praise St John's
24 June Patronal Festival	8.00 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Family Communion with Clent		6.30 pm Festival Evensong with Hagley Free Church St John's

#### 10.00 am Holy Communion each Thursday at St Saviour's

### **PRESS RELEASE:** 'THE BALLAD OF ST. KENELM' by ANDREW DOWNES - ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WOLLASTON, SATURDAY 16TH JUNE AT 7.30PM.

A staged and costumed performance retelling the legend of the boy king of Mercia will take place at St. James; Church, Wollaston at 7.30pm on Saturday 16th June. The event has been organised by 'Local and Live' - a not-for-profit group of music enthusiasts based in Stourbridge since 2001.

Based on a poem by Halesowen-born writer and poet Francis Brett Young, with music by Hagley composer Andrew Downes and Premiered during the 2015 Hagley Festival, will feature local musicians, speakers and singers, together with actors from the Francis Brett Young Society.

Tickets on the door are  $\pounds 10$ , to include a glass of wine or fruit juice. Anyone under the age of 18 is admitted free.



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