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## Welcome to 2021

We hope that you all had a good festive break - albeit a different one to what we have been accustomed to in the past. It has been uplifting to see the continued community spirit within Hagley as we have looked to support our fellow citizens and businesses alike, both in the months leading up to Christmas and during.

We have a lovely village high street featuring many unique businesses who have had it harsh during these current times. It has been heartening to see how so many have endeavoured to pull through with creative thinking and sheer hard resolve. Likewise the same can be said for the many younger people within our community who have taken on board the situation and adapted their lifestyles accordingly. This must be particularly hard at an age when life should be full of hope, promise, fun and adventure - lets hope they can return to this in the not so far off future.

We hope you enjoy this January edition of the Village News - our 'Step back in Time' feature is shorter this time around due to the high volume of community news articles taking priority. However there are some interesting tidbits about the planning of the Community Centre from 1964 for you to feast your eyes on. Please keep sending any interesting photos/articles to us - we have already gratefully received some which we will keep on file ready for use in future editions.

On a last but not least note - we are sorry to be losing Dr Ali Al-Hakim from Hagley Surgery after 10 years service. He was a lovely GP and we will miss him as he seeks fresh challenges elsewhere. Our loss will indeed be someone else's great gain. His farewell message is available for you to read on the Hagley Village News facebook page.

Wishing you all the best as we look forward with hope and optimism towards the new year ahead of us. We'll catch up again in February - take care all, stay safe.

**Alison Akers** Editor

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# Hagley HELPLINE

As we are sure you are aware the helpline is unable to operate at the moment due to the Covid-19 virus restrictions.

As soon as social distancing advice is changed so that it is no longer necessary then we hope to return, however this is unlikely to be before early 2021.

We will keep you informed via future editions of the Village News. In the meantime, we hope you all continue to stay safe and keep well.

## 'Step Back In Time' features section

This month's issue brings you snippets from an issue of the Hagley Village News which was published in 1964

We welcome any articles/press coverage of the Hagley Community Association and Centre from years gone by.

If you have any that you would like to submit please forward to  
[editor@hagleyvillage.org](mailto:editor@hagleyvillage.org)

## Hagley Scout Hut Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Yasmin - PILATES <b>9.45-11.45am</b> from Jan 2021	Harriet - STRENGTHEN & TONE <b>9.00-10.00am</b>	Harriet - INDOOR BOOTCAMP <b>6.30-7.30pm</b>	Harriet - CIRCUITS <b>9.15-10am</b>	Yasmin - MUMMY & ME PILATES/FIT <b>9.45-11.30am</b>
	Rachael - ONE FIT MAMA <b>11.00-1.00pm</b>		Wendy - YOGA <b>11.00-12noon</b>	
	Ruth - ENERGISE YOGA <b>1.45-2.45pm</b>		Jenny - RHYTHM TIME <b>12.45-2.15pm</b>	
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## Hagley Historical and Field Society

### Winds Point

Did you know that 'Winds Point' road is named after the house that once stood there?

The house shown in this photograph is Winds Point which was built on Worcester Road for a local solicitor, Wickham King who, with his wife Beatrice Mary, moved into it in 1906. It was demolished in 1964 and new houses were built on the site.

Wickham King was also an amateur geologist, climber and treasurer of the Appeal Committee which raised funds to pay for the building of St. Saviour's Church in West Hagley.

**Rachel Paget - Secretary**

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## Hagley Library

The County Council has worked closely with local library volunteers throughout the phased re-opening of libraries and it is thanks to their help and support that Hagley has reopened. Library customers at all re-opened libraries will be able to:

- browse shelves and borrow books using self-service kiosks
- return books
- pre-book public computers
- pre-book a desk in the library for study and/ or wi-fi access

Library staff will also be on hand to answer queries and provide information.

Social distancing and hygiene measures will be in place in all libraries for everyone's safety. The number of customers allowed into the library at any one time will be managed; browsing time will be limited to 20 minutes and computers and desks will be cleaned thoroughly after each use. All library visitors are required to wear face coverings

## Poppy Appeal 2020

2020 has been a very difficult year for all of us, and for charities in particular, the opportunities for fundraising have been extremely limited, and The Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal was significantly affected as our prime fundraising is concentrated around just two weeks in late October and Early November. Up until September, we were working on the assumption that we could do nothing in Blakedown and Hagley as the only sources of poppies were planned to be online and via the major supermarkets.

We were then advised that we could take part in a very restricted appeal. Our decision was based on the fact that our Pop-Up Poppy Stall raised over a third of our district total in 2019, that this was the one thing that we could do. I was introduced to the world of Risk Assessments and PPE, which was certainly not my expectation when becoming a District Poppy Appeal Organiser! Our risk assessment determined that we would close the stall if we moved to Tier 2 for the protection of our collectors and members of the public.

With the kind permission of Lex Allen Grove, we set up our gazebo on the decking outside their premises in Worcester Road, and I must pay tribute to the team of collectors helping us. With the need to provide PPE, we had to severely limit the number of collectors, which meant that each one had to man the stand for quite a few two-hour slots.

Bad weather at the end of the first week meant that our gazebo tried to escape from its location, and we decided to take it down on the Saturday at the end of our first week. With the announcement of the lockdown, and the high infection rates in Hagley at that time, we felt that it was responsible not to open up again for the second week. We are sorry if anyone missed out, but protection had to be our first priority.

Now for the good news. Thanks to the generosity of people in Hagley, our village total (so far) amounts to £5,191 – well over half our total for 2019 when we had poppy tins in most of the shops and pubs around the village, and of course twice the time



collecting, and a much wider range of merchandise. Thank you, everyone.

This was a first year of having available a contactless donation terminal enabling people to donate through their phones or cards, particularly now that we all carry much less cash than we used to. This provided about a quarter of the funds that we raised on the Poppy Stall, and has been booked again for next year !

I must give a particular mention to Katherine's Sourdough who donated some very special Remembrance Focaccia Loaves, with all proceeds going to the appeal, Coopers Troopers Bootcamp and Hagley Primary School for significant collections, and Jacqui Thompson for collecting money around her home to purchase a wreath for her part of Hagley to lay at the War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday. Now there's a challenge for every road in Hagley for 2021! There were many more demonstrations of your generosity.

Next Year is The Royal British Legion's 100th birthday, and we hope to make an additional appearance in the Summer, CoVid permitting. Across the UK, we are still spending about £2 million per week on welfare for our veterans and their families, and mental health and financial issues remain a very important part of our case list. To paraphrase a well-known film, "we will be back".

**Jonathan Plant, Poppy Appeal Organiser  
Hagley District (MDA12) – (07813) 785496**

# Step Back In Time.....for 1964



### Foreword

By Viscount Cobham, K.G., J.P., T.D., D.L.

A wise man once said, "There are two kinds of fool. One says this is old therefore it must be good; the other this is new, therefore it must be better".

Every age, of course, contains an element of both: the old way, called tradition, the new, sometimes mistakenly, progress.

There is, however, one institution of great antiquity which we are in danger of losing and that is the community. With the growth of new towns and the ceaseless flow of new population, community life is not easy to achieve, since a corporate spirit is only gained through long acquaintanceship and friendship.

Of all the ills of civilisation loneliness is one of the worst. It is also often unnecessary, and not infrequently means that the lonely person feels unable to make the first step.

The new proposed Community Centre in Hagley is a splendid project and one which should enjoy the wholehearted support of those who believe that even in this machine age the individual is all-important and is at his best when in company with others of like tastes and interests.

I hope that all Hagley people will do their best to support this far-sighted project.



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Part of my role is to set the budget for West Mercia Police, currently standing at around £238m per year. Some of that budget comes from your Council Tax, so I consult with local communities on not only the level of

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Hope you had a good Christmas and wishing you all the best for 2021.

Police & Crime Commissioner

**John Campion**

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## Hagley Surgery

**Accurx Online:** The Wyre Forest Health Partnership wants to make getting in touch with Hagley surgery as easy as possible and have introduced a new service to contact us online to replace 'Ask My GP'. As of Monday 16th November, you can contact us about a medical, administrative or prescription issue through the link on our website; you will need to answer a few short questions and we will then get back to you. The new platform doesn't require you to have any additional passwords and can be accessed throughout the day allowing many queries to be resolved quickly and efficiently. It's very easy to use. For more information, or the link to use this fantastic service visit our surgery website.

**Appointments:** We are continuing to operate a telephone appointment system at the surgery and have continued to find that this is well received. For those patients who need to, we are still carrying out face to face appointments at the surgery and anyone that needs to come in and see the Doctor, Nurse or Physician's associate will be offered this option if it is clinically indicated. This will be explained and a time mutually agreed between the patient and the clinician during the initial telephone call.

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**Staffing changes:** We welcomed our Physician's Associate Elizabeth to our team in November 2020 and she has now settled in well and is seeing and speaking to patients over the telephone. If you are unfamiliar with this new role, a Physician Associate is a clinician that supports the work of doctors by diagnosing and managing patients with a variety of new and long-standing illnesses. We are pleased to have Elizabeth on board and she is proving to be a great addition to our surgery team.

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## Haybridge High School

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Despite everything, there have been many occasions where we have all been cheered and inspired by the resilience shown by the whole school community, especially our young people. They have adapted to the 'new normal' with minimal fuss, kept to their 'bubbles', observed the necessary rules and maintained positivity and good cheer whilst continuing to work hard for their futures. For that we would like to say how very proud

we all are of them - and how grateful we are to their parents/carers for being invaluable allies in our work as educators. Thank you.

At the end of this year we look forward to the safe and gradual return to all that Haybridge means, in addition to excellent standards of care and teaching and learning: our concerts and shows, our sports fixtures and successes, visits to places of interest and visits from external speakers, our open doors to parents/carers and our commitment to a host of causes and community initiatives. We look forward to 2021 with confidence.

We wish you and your families the very best of the Christmas and New Year period and a very Happy 2021.

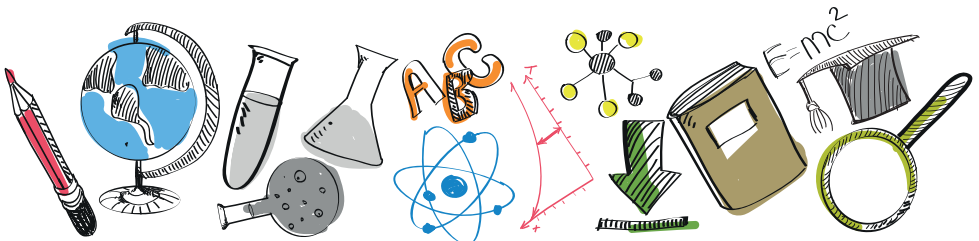


## Hagley Primary School PTA

Hagley Primary School PTA would like to thank all parents and carers that have supported our events during the last term, these have included; Bags2School, 2 collections for the Black Country Food Bank and a wonderful Prizes and Promises Auction which, I'm delighted to tell you, raised an amazing £3,914 with incredible support from our families and local community.

To finish the year off with a bang, the PTA have brought light to lockdown by providing a magical Christmas tree for all of the children, parents, staff and passers by to enjoy. Thank

you to Cooper's Solutions for your help and expertise, we couldn't have done it without you! The children each received a gift from Father Christmas himself who arrived on his sleigh (thank you to Hagley Rotary Club), just in time to celebrate our light switch on. What a wonderful way to end 2020 - thank you once again. Happy New Year from the PTA.





# Village Information

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## Interview

### Ten minutes in the company of ... Sue Dean, Hagley Theatre Group

I began by asking Sue to give some background to the Group. "What is now Hagley Theatre Group was started in 1946 by Mr J Adams who wanted to support the Girls Brigade by setting up a play. From these early days when the group was called 'Let's do a play' 'Hagley Theatre Group' was born. It originally used the old church hall which was on the corner of Church Street moving to the new Community Centre in the playing fields in 1969 where it has performed ever since."

Sue went on to explain her role and the importance of the group of volunteers. "I joined the group in 1965 and I'm the current President whilst the group is run by Beth Smith who along with all the volunteers make up a fantastic and very dynamic team. The group make their own costumes, scenery and props with all being self-funded through ticket sales and fund raising."

I asked about the how the youth section was formed. "From the early roots in 1990 a youth section was created and since then 30 musicals have been performed in front of capacity audiences in the community centre hall. This year will be the first year that a performance could not go ahead."

"The main age group is between 12 to 18. We have a good waiting list, and we can keep our numbers high. We are generally low on boys joining the group, but everyone is very enthusiastic, and everyone gets very involved in the group." added Sue.

What is the aim of the group? "The ethos of the group is 'to promote confidence and teamwork and provide an accepting space, encouraging children to be creative and enthusiastic.'" Sue made the very important point that this is massively important for mental health and wellbeing. "It gives young people fantastic life skills and confidence and is something they remember for the rest of their lives."

The group also takes children on residential trips which helps with team spirit and bonding. "There are some fantastic experiences when you see quiet shy children coming in, who might think they cannot sing or could not take leading roles develop into mature and confident adults. We all love it, and everyone gets on with each other. We hope the group carries on, and the young continue to take the lead and get involved" enthused Sue.

"We do all our own fund raising and we are now raising money for the community centre refurbishment as we need extra storage space at the centre. We hope that this time next year we'll be preparing for the return of the theatre group as soon as we can."

Interview by **Steve Colella**



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## Village Ladies

Hi Village Ladies. No doubt, most of our Christmases were a little bit different in 2020 but hope that everyone found things to enjoy. Hooray for technology which can be a pain but usually is an absolute godsend. Now we face 2021. Still no news about when we will be able to meet as a group again but there is a hazy light that is slowly growing brighter. It may take a while but it will shine again. In the meantime, still take care, keep safe and wishing all Village Ladies a happy 2021. **Ann Paget**



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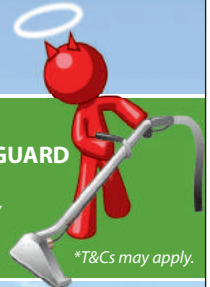
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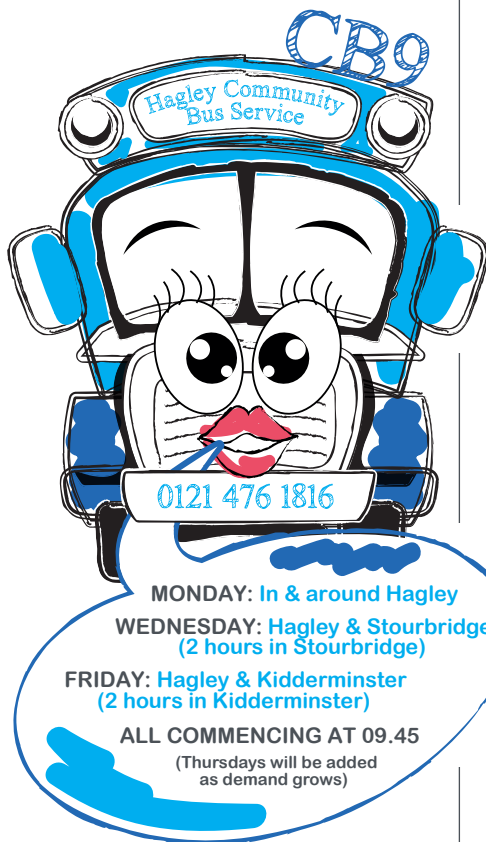
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## Hagley Parish Council

A very Happy New Year from everyone at Hagley Parish Council! Let us hope 2021 is better than 2020, although it will not take much.

Despite everything that we faced since March 2020 I want to look at some of the positives that we can look forward to in Hagley in the New Year. It has been difficult, but the Clerks and members of the parish council have continued to work hard despite the very trying times.

There is great news that the Dial-a-Ride Community bus is back running although a slightly disrupted service following the most recent government guidance. It is our intention for the service to return to pre-covid as soon as possible.

The Pavilion changing rooms and meeting room will also follow the same timeline with everything being completed by early summer. As you will appreciate this has been a challenging project to complete and I cannot thank fellow councillors and the Clerks for their continued dedication and commitment in seeing this project completed. There will

be an opportunity for any sporting club to use the amenity and any community groups to use the meeting room as soon as it is completed. If interested, please contact the clerks.

The playing fields are looking good and as soon as we get into the spring the last stages of the landscaping works will be completed with a view to removing the fences as soon as possible.

It is becoming a well worn message, but can I reiterate how important it is to follow government guidance so that we can keep safe and keep each other safe too.

**Cllr Steve Colella**  
**Chairman Hagley Parish Council**



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## Hagley Neighbourhood Watch

I would reflect on 2020 in respect of crime and disorder in Hagley. Towards the end of the year there was a serious assault in Church Street which resulted in the victim being hospitalised and the Police being called to investigate the incident.

This incident happened in the vicinity of Church St passageway into the playing fields. As a result, I have asked Bromsgrove District Council to install an additional CCTV camera at this position. The request is being considered and the results of which will be reported back to you.

Despite this, crime has been largely down with the rise in incidents of ASB being tackled following detailed images being captured from the CCTV surveillance system.

The usual seasonal warning prevails; it is dark and there are people still intent to take advantage of any situation. It does not have to be theft and robbery, but the curse of the

electronic world has opened new opportunities for online fraud and theft.

Whether it is removing valuables from vehicles, locking shed or outbuilding doors, leaving a light on when out after dark or protecting passwords and personal information, let's make 2021 not only Covid free but crime free too. Wishing everyone a peaceful and safe New Year.

**Steve Colella and Roger Seabury**  
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## Bromsgrove District Council

We wish everyone a very happy and safe new year. 2021 brings new hope and encouragement that things can only get better!

Essential council services have been maintained as far as possible and most staff have been working from home where they can, and front-line staff have continued to work under difficult conditions.

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The pandemic has caused no end of distress and misery. I would like to remind everyone that there is help from the relevant public services. If you need help and support, please do not hesitate to contact your relevant ward councillor.

The new year will bring some tough challenges for the council none least managing budgets following the impact of covid on district council budgets. Also, we will be waiting for the results of the Greenbelt review and other strategic Planning matters.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank colleagues on the Hagley Neighbourhood Planning Team for engaging and working with WCC and myself on this matter.

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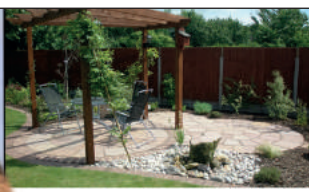
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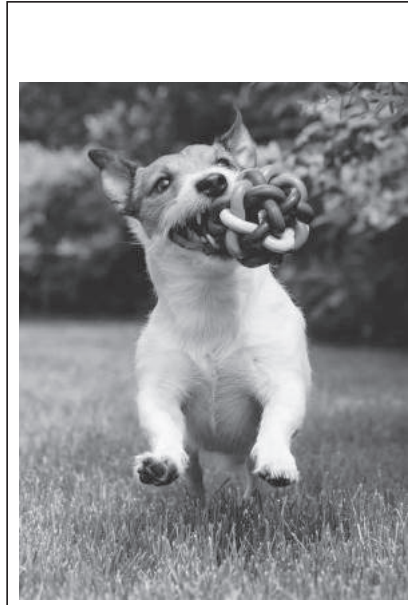
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21-year-old Sheku Kanneh-Mason is fortunate to play on an Amati cello c. 1610, kindly loaned from a private collection. It's no wonder then that in baroque Italy there were many superb violinist/composers such as Corelli, Vivaldi and Tartini, whose ebullient music we love to play. **Jeremy Patterson - Conductor**



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## Hagley W.I.

OUR VERY BEST WISHES TO YOU ALL  
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In 2021 we hope to be able to do some of the things we missed in 2020 – friends, family, community – and build on what we enjoyed like nature, walks, new interests and skills.

January means Resolutions – no, no, no, not New Year ones – WI Resolutions This year they focus on health – the early diagnosis of ovarian cancer and heart disease in women; on combating racism and discrimination; and on caring for our environment. These will be discussed at the National AGM – presently planned for the Royal Albert Hall in April...

And 2021 is our Centenary – it's too early (late November) to know what will be allowed, when and how many can meet together – so we're thinking how to celebrate and how all our members can be creatively involved.

Looking after each other in these uncertain times is really important – so we keep in touch

by phone and email, social Zoom meetings, county and local newsletters – and when permitted, walk together carefully following current regulations.

We are a friendly group enjoying a wide range of talks, demonstrations, courses and, when we can, meeting monthly on the second Monday at 2.00pm in the Community Centre - visitors and new members are always welcome. Please check our notice board by the pharmacy, visit us on Facebook or contact Mita Barnes on 01299 879996 [hagleypres@wfedwi.org.uk](mailto:hagleypres@wfedwi.org.uk). **Rosie Wynne**

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Despite our Rotary Club of Hagley Monday Evening meetings at the Lyttleton being suspended during the Lock-Down our Rotarians continue to ZoomMeet and enjoy the companionship and camaraderie the senior years have developed. Keeping up with matters local and international is the Rotarians prerogative and is well supported with interest from all quarters.

On October 24th we celebrate World Polio Day and reflect on the work Rotary International has done to eradicate this disease Globally. This year we have interrupted Wild Polio in the continent of Africa and South America which has been the Rotary Objective since 1985.

October is also the month in which Rotarians give support and consideration to Economic and Community Development in the less fortunate areas of the world. The idea of Micro Economies in villages and communities in the 3rd world is gaining interest and favour among developing villages, and is strongly promoted by Rotary International.

If readers would like to have fun with a purpose, consider joining our club who will be meeting at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm on Monday evenings by visiting our website at **<https://hagleyrotary.wixsite.com/website>**

Should anybody require help or assistance or just a friendly phone call during the period of confinement just phone:

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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Hagley Community Association will be held on Friday 15th January 2021. Please note that if the current meeting restrictions remain in place the meeting will be held via Zoom. Details of how to join the meeting will be announced nearer the time.

All Members are invited to attend the AGM. Copies of the Minutes of the AGM held on Friday 10th January 2020 will be available at the meeting. Copies of the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2020 will be available at the meeting.

If you wish to raise any matter under Any Other Business please notify the Secretary in writing beforehand.

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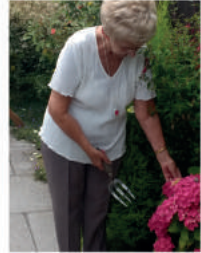
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## Active Seniors

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Classes include strength and balance, Happy hearts (a circuit type class which is currently adapted to meet covid requirements) and Tai chi. We are in Hagley on Monday mornings and Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Please call Angela on **07512 546480** to discuss. Lets hope 2021 is a better year for us all!



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## Hagley U3A

Some members of Hagley U3A have continued to keep in touch via Zoom, WhatsApp or small groups meeting outside with social distancing. Unfortunately we don't expect to have our normal monthly meetings, with Speaker, for the foreseeable future but if anyone would like more details please contact

our Membership Secretary Ian Powick : email [ian.powick@gmail.com](mailto:ian.powick@gmail.com) or phone **01562 883822. Carolyn Buckle**



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## Hagley Country Dancers

Hopefully, we will be getting together again in the not too distant future and brushing away our mental cobwebs. Thanks to everyone for keeping in touch via Whatsapp and emails. I am sure we are all looking forward to a better year. Stay safe and stay well.

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## Little Kickers

Little Kickers football sessions are the perfect introduction to football and sport for children aged 18 months to 7th birthday.

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## Walton District Girlguiding

During November and December Guiding returned to being virtual with most units meeting via zoom. The creativity of the leaders has been fantastic and the girls seem to have really enjoyed their weekly meetings. There have been lots of wonderful crafts made, games played and quizzes completed. All units enjoyed recording their virtual Christmas messages and thanks goes to Victoria Hogan for her hard work in collating these. The Rangers had fun supporting Macmillan by taking part in murder mystery evenings on Zoom. 2nd Hagley Guides raised almost £1000 for Children in Need completing their

Pudsey Bear badge having survived for 48 hours without any screens. 1st Hagley Brownies really enjoyed completing their Expelliarmus Challenge Badge with lots of Harry Potter themed evenings. We very much hope that the members of our district will be meeting face to face in the New Year.



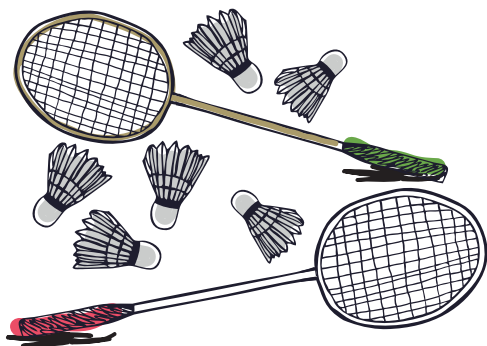
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## HCK Badminton Club

Following the recent lockdown and the new tier system HCK badminton club is currently closed. We are monitoring the situation and checking Badminton England guidance to see when we can play in secure bubbles and will restart when it is safe to do so. This will likely be in the new year, an excellent time to shed some christmas pounds!

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We are very excited to see you there!



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## Hagley Free Church Evening Fellowship

The committee made the difficult decision to cancel the planned programme for 2020-2021 even though most of the speakers had been booked due to uncertainty and the vulnerability of many of our members.

I would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge the amazing work that Mary Freakley (Heathcock) has contributed to the smooth running of Fellowship over a long period of time. She will be missed in

so many ways. And also thank you to Anne and Bob Green and Elaine Golding for their help and support on the committee.

As we head into the New Year we are still uncertain of the future of the Fellowship. For us to continue to be viable in the future we need to be able to secure enough members and this we may not be able to guarantee. **Liz Tew**



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At the start of 2020, we had no idea what the year would bring. We went through a hard year where lots of things were taken away, but in January 2021 we're looking forward in hope of more normality returning this year.

One thing that helped last year was the greater kindness we showed each other so let's continue to live in this in 2021!

January is a time of new beginnings, a perfect time to reflect on how we wish to live our lives and a time to focus on our priorities.

In 2021 we will still be active in our Hagley community, until we meet in person for our services.

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### NEW YEAR MESSAGE

As I write this we are still in lockdown until December 2nd. It's been very controversial this time and there have been protests Christmas plans have been announced by the Govt, I am sure there are winners and losers. The arrival on the scene of vaccines is good news indeed and hopes are pinned on success with them. But the cry "How long O Lord how long?" (Psalm13) seems to be a new year message. But what does it all mean? We've had to change our ways of working and living that's for sure. "Normal" when it comes will be different. But can we get through our heads to our hearts that we cannot control everything, the word has life of its own outside of us and is not there for us to exploit. Perhaps its time to listen to the still small voice of God.

A happy and peaceful New Year filled with joy and hope to everyone!

**Rev. David Tennant**

### Evening Services at Hagley Free Church

Due to the restrictions imposed by the government on church buildings and activities, evening services have been suspended until further notice - the situation will be reviewed. Morning services continue in the Church on Sundays at 10.30am.

### Mothers and Toddlers

Just a message to say that we are still here and intend to re-open **as soon as it is safe to do so**. Watch this space - we will keep in touch! We are missing you all.

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In church, we are socially distanced, we wear face masks, hand-sanitise on entry, and so on. Names are taken for track and trace. We distribute Holy Communion (bread only) as safely as possible. Unfortunately, we cannot sing anything at the moment. If you wish to come to a Holy Communion service, please let our Parish Administrator Sue know well in advance – her contact details are at the top of this page.



### Sunday Worship for January 2021

<b>Date</b>	<b>9.30am Holy Communion</b>	<b>11.00am Sunday Worship</b>
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10th January 2021	St Saviour's, Hagley	on Zoom
17th January 2021	St John's, Hagley	on Zoom
24th January 2021	St Leonard's, Clent	on Zoom
31st January 2021	St John's Hagley	on Zoom

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Also please contact the Parish Office if you would like to be sent the link to join on Zoom, either by computer or by phone.



# Village Information

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## Local Churches

**Due to the current situation, the following services are currently available at our churches:**

**Blakedown** Church has reopened - please see their services at <https://cbbchurches.weebly.com>

**Fairfield** Church has reopened - please see their services at [www.bfc-worcs.co.uk](http://www.bfc-worcs.co.uk)

**Churchill** Church is still closed.

**Broome** Church is still closed.

All the other churches will be open whenever the Government legislation allows. Some of the churches will be open for private prayer;

**Please contact church office on 01562 730777 if you have any queries**

Virtual services are available online, both live and recorded.

Visit [www.bfc-worcs.co.uk](http://www.bfc-worcs.co.uk) for more information.



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## HAGLEY VILLAGE NEWS - ADVERTISING & EDITORIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### DEADLINES

The copy deadline for submission of both editorial and advertising is:

**Before noon on 1st of preceding month**  
(i.e. before noon June 1st for July edition)

### ADVERTISING

Adverts must be in the following format:

**300dpi jpeg or pdf**

1/8 Page - 46mm x 64mm (HxW) Landscape

1/4 Page - 92mm x 64mm (HxW) Portrait

1/2 Page - 92mm x 128mm (HxW) Landscape

Payment in full on submission of copy, a charge may be made for midterm alterations.

Email artwork for adverts to:  
**[editor@hagleyvillage.org](mailto:editor@hagleyvillage.org)**

**Editorial may be reproduced on the village website**

# Village Information

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## St John's Bellringing

Warmest wishes for 2021.

It's been 12 months since there has been any news about the Tower or Hand Bell rings here. The handbell ringers normally meet in a group bigger than 6 so the COVID-19 social distancing rules means that is not possible to ring at least until well into this 2021.

The Tower ringers have continued with their weekly practice night on "Zoom" and use an app. "RingingRoom" that allows us to practice call changes in exactly the same way we would in the tower. With Zoom we have kept up to date socially with members of the band of Ringers.

"RingingRoom" enables us to have a bit of fun making attempts at unusual things like ringing two bells at once. The only skill required is being able to listen. It can even sound better if you hide your bell or close your eyes and just listen and count until it is time to press the space bar on the computer to sound

your bell. It even works from a tablet computer or smart phone. It really is dead simple.

Look at <https://ringingroom.com> and get in in touch if you to have ago.

Since late September church services have recommenced so as the rules allow, we will be ringing prior to church services, unfortunately with only just four ringers. St. John's ringing room is quite small, but be we do have very good ventilation, being able to open the windows and ring as long as we follow the Church of England's rules.

Richard Scarth  
[hagleyringers@gmail.com](mailto:hagleyringers@gmail.com)  
07768 273545



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

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## Friends of St Johns

All activities within the church & Wychbury Room (adjacent to St. John's church at Hagley Hall) have been on hold over the summer. Each time the church is used CofE rules require thorough cleaning and (as of late Sept) a three-day gap before being used again. The church cleaning is a very onerous task for the church wardens.

The cancelled summer 2020 Wednesday morning talks in the church are being reboked for 2021. Due to the uncertain rules that will be in place over Christmas, we cannot plan our normal 12th Night party for 6th Jan 2021. We will take the lead from how the church facilities are being used and take guidance from the incumbent Rev. Richard Newton. The Mothers Union have started to use the Wychbury Room for their group. A risk assessment for church affiliated groups such as theirs must be followed.

For third party groups advice on how to book the room is here.

[https://www.hagleycofe.co.uk/  
community-facilities-building/](https://www.hagleycofe.co.uk/community-facilities-building/)

Although extra precautions must also be defined by submitting a COVID-19 risk assessment for approval, prior to any bookings being confirmed.

All proceeds from hiring the room go to Hagley PCC. During the summer we are very grateful for the regular cleaning carried out by Hagley Cricket Club. Derek & Kate Aldridge have been keeping a keen eye and helping to maintain and clean the Wychbury Room & toilets to keep the facilities in good condition for us all. Thank you.

Wishing you all the best for 2021.

**Richard Scarth**  
for the Friends of St. John's  
[scarth@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:scarth@blueyonder.co.uk)



# Hagley Village Directory

## AFFILIATED CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

BLAKEDOWN AND HAGLEY TENNIS CLUB: www.blakedownhagleytennis.co.uk.....	<b>01562 883774</b>
FREE CHURCH: Martin Heathcock, 6 Hawthorn Coppice, Hagley DY9 0PE .....	<b>01562 884677</b>
FRIENDS OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH: Judith Whitehouse, 30 Newfield Road, Hagley, DY9 0JR.....	<b>01562 884724</b>
HAGLEY ART CLUB: Bob Haywood-Lister, 4 Waterworks Cottages, Stourbridge Road, DY10 3NX.....	<b>01562 700078</b>
HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL: Mr B McArdle, Brake Lane, Hagley, DY8 2XL.....	<b>01562 883193</b>
HAGLEY COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA: Cynthia Downes, 2 Church Street, Hagley, DY9 0NA.....	<b>886625, 07564 276404</b>
HAGLEY CRICKET CLUB: Steve Plant, Neil Hurst, 56 Winds Point, Hagley DY9 9BM .....	<b>07834 157035</b>
HAGLEY GARDENERS CLUB, John Oakes, 27 Summervale Road, Hagley DY9 0LX .....	<b>01562 882875</b>
HAGLEY GUIDES, BROWNIES, RAINBOWS: Rachel Coton.....	<b>rachel.hagleyrangers@gmail.com</b>
HAGLEY HISTORICAL & FIELD SOCIETY: Rachel Paget, 36 Western Road, Hagley.....	<b>07807 361092</b>
HAGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN: Vanessa Payne, Park Road, Hagley DY9 0PX.....	<b>01562 883280</b>
HAGLEY RAMBLER SCOUTS: Sue Corlett .....	<b>07880 736383</b>
HAGLEY STRING ORCHESTRA - Haydn Thomas, 39 Summervale Road , Hagley.....	<b>01562 885252</b>
HAGLEY THEATRE GROUP: Sue Dean, 38 Kidderminster Road , Hagley DY9 0QD.....	<b>01562 884906</b>
HAGLEY WI: Irene Oliver, Rous Lench, Brake Lane, Hagley, DY8 2XW .....	<b>01562 885964</b>
HAND OF FRIENDSHIP: Mrs Jean Deacy 30 Sweetpool Lane , Hagley DY8 2XE.....	<b>01562 885760</b>
HAYBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL: Joanne Stanley, Brake Lane, Hagley DY8 2XS .....	<b>01562 886213</b>
HEARTSTART - Bromsgrove & District: Jim Austin.....	<b>07789 763707</b>
HCK BADMINTON: Greg O'Callaghan.....	<b>07892 974095</b>
LIFE CENTRAL: Jo Gregory , Location Pastor Lifecentralchurch Hagley.....	<b>0121 501 3542</b>
LITTLE KICKERS David Homer, 1 Junepole Drive, Hagley DY8 3XU.....	<b>07545 236917</b>
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL: St Saviours Church, 1 Park Road, Hagley DY9 0NS.....	<b>01562 886363</b>
PHASE TRUST Vicky Welch vickywelch@phasetrust.org.uk.....	<b>0121 585 9419</b>
PROBUS CLUB: Alan Hess Arran House Western Road Hagley DY9 0HZ .....	<b>07967 590219</b>
ROTARY CLUB: David Dewhirst, 6 Trehernes Drive, Pedmore .....	<b>07966 116612</b>
ROYAL BRITISH LEGION : Helen Roberts .....	<b>01384 378934, 07962980446</b>
TUESDAY TEA CLUB: Sheila Munden, 33 Kittiwake Drive, Kidderminster, DY10 4RS.....	<b>01562 636333</b>
UNIVERSITY OF THIRD AGE: Ian Powick.....	<b>01562 883822</b>
VERVE TAEKWONDO SCHOOLS: John Swift, 47 Land Oak Drive, Kidderminster, DY10 2ST .....	<b>01562 827437</b>
VILLAGE LADIES: Sue Billington, 23, Lodge Crescent.....	<b>01562 885799</b>
WEST HAGLEY FOOTBALL CLUB: Annette Malanaphy, 11 The Parklands, Pedmore, DY9 7JT .....	<b>01384 396502</b>
WESTERN BADMINTON CLUB - Neville Smart, Hagley Sports Centre, Brake Lane , Hagley DY8 2XS .....	<b>01562 883433</b>
WESTGLEN CANINE CENTRE: Mark Collins, 113 Walter Nash Road West, Kidderminster .....	<b>01384 637085</b>
WYRE FOREST NATIONAL TRUST: Mrs Sidaway, 28 Milestone Drive, Hagley DY9 0LW.....	<b>01562 883460</b>
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ST. JOHN'S & ST. SAVIOUR'S: Sue Priest St Saviour's Church, 1 Park Road DY9 0NS .....	<b>01562 886363</b>
ST JOHNS HAND & TOWER BELLRINGERS: Richard Scarth 1 Clent Drive, Hagley DY9 9LN.....	<b>07768 273545</b>
HAGLEY PARISH COUNCIL CLERK: Mrs Alex Burkes, 74a Worcester Road , Hagley, DY9 0NJ .....	<b>01562 886239</b>
LOCAL M.P.: Sajid Javid - Constituency Office.....	<b>01527 872135</b>
HAGLEY (& FURLONGS) COUNTY COUNCILLOR (CLENT HILLS DIVISION): Karen May .....	<b>07818 085140</b>
DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR HAGLEY WEST: Steve Colella .....	<b>01562 882996</b>
DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR HAGLEY EAST: Councillor Rachel Jenkins .....	<b>07974 257172</b>
HAGLEY POLICE STATION .....	<b>0300 333 3000</b>
CRIME STOPPER LINE (CONFIDENTIAL) Freephone.....	<b>0800 555111</b>
HAGLEY LIBRARY.....	<b>01905 822722</b>
HAGLEY MEDICAL PRACTICE.....	<b>01562 881700</b>



A New Year Wish  
by Anonymous

“May every soul that touches thine  
Be it the slightest contact, get therefrom some good,  
Some little grace, one kindly thought,  
One aspiration yet unfelt; one bit of courage  
For the darkening sky, one gleam of faith.”