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#### Editor's Welcome August 2021



#### Hello again folks

We're well into summer and hopefully many of you have been able to get away for a break or at least will have time for a nice staycation.

We have filled this month's issue with sunflowers. These gorgeous giants are abundant in the month of August. Known as happy flowers they always turn to the sun which is what inspired this well known quote "Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow. It's what sunflowers do" (by Helen Keller)

On another light hearted note and in the spirit of the Euro 2021 we're thinking that some of the fit and lovely dads of Hagley might fancy pulling on their own boots. The PTA of Hagley Primary NEEDS YOU! They're raising funds via a 6 a side tournament - so if you're up for it then check out page 12 for more info.

This month we bring to you an in depth report from Karen May of Worcestershire County Council. As always we have Steve Colella's latest update from Hagley Parish Council with a reminder to take advantage of CB9 for Hagley to get out and about. See page 7 for more details of days and times etc.

A mention for the lovely Village Ladies - they have a new illustration which will feature on their annual programmes. Its been created by Jessica (the granddaughter of Sue from the Village Ladies). We think it's delightful - check it out on page 14. Well done Jessica!

We couldn't sign off without a mention of our cheeky cover pic (thanks Ciaran). By no means are we encouraging fly tipping, but we just couldn't resist featuring this adorable canine taking advantage of this accidental day bed for dogs. And there have been many others of the doggy community in Hagley who have come upon it to rest their weary legs - or just simply to have a good sniff. It's what dogs do!

So we have the boot, we have the dog couch, what next? We'd love to hear your ideas - its the little things that bring our community together and make this village feel special.

A fond farewell for now-catch up next month. Until then, take care and do what the sunflowers do!

Alison Akers Editor

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As you are aware the helpline has been unable to operate due to the Covid-19 virus restrictions.

However a Committee meeting was held at the end of June to discuss the way forward..

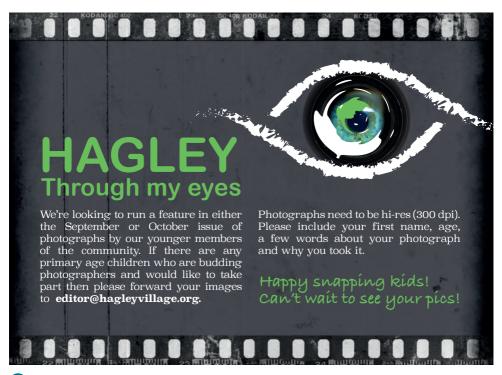
In the meantime, we hope that you will all continue to stay safe and keep well.





Hagley Community Association are looking for a 'handy person' to help maintain the Community Centre and be part of the volunteer Committee who manage the building and its use.

Please contact Annette (secretary) minits@hagleyvillage.org for further details





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

#### Spencer's Arms Public House

This photograph shows the Spencer's Arms public house in the early 1900s. It is the building on the far left of the photo. The bottom of Hagley Hill is visible behind the car on the left.

William Briscoe, a shoemaker, founded the establishment when he converted one small room into a bar selling ale, port and cider. In 1832, William named it the Spencer's Arms.

The pub was possibly named in connection to the Spencer family, after the marriage of William Henry Lyttelton of Hagley Hall to Lady Sarah Spencer in 1813. Lady Sarah was widowed in 1837 and left Hagley to become a Lady of the Bedchamber to the young Queen Victoria, and later governess to the royal children, later returning to Hagley to care for her grandchildren.

William Briscoe's niece, Phoebe Price, took over the Spencer's Arms from 1864 to 1879. The next publican was probably Thomas Chamberlain, then George Harry Newnam around 1882.

In the 1930s the building was demolished and replaced by a new building. That pub continued to be known as The Spencer's Arms until it became a restaurant called Wychbury Inn in the early 2000s.

Rachel Paget - Secretary See hhfs.org.uk for details & contacts





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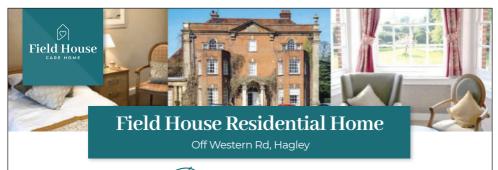
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#### Haybridge High School

We hope all members of our school and local community are enjoying a much-needed summer break.

We thought it would be nice to shine a light this edition on a former student who is making a success of their next steps after Haybridge - and Bee Yogasivam is a great example! Bee, 20, is studying Architecture at Central Saint Martins, London. She says 'it has been challenging to say the least with a steep learning curve. However, over the past year I have honed my creative skills with the view of building a more sustainable future through the built environment.' Over lockdown Bee was part of a team which won a design challenge to design a virtual meeting space for ethnic minority backgrounds to interact with each other during the pandemic. Bee has also been chosen as a finalist in the prestigious Signature Art Prize for emerging artists and her work will be exhibited at the Bankside Hotel in London.

In the last weeks of the summer term:

Year 7 girls began working on a Leadership through Football Programme which will come to fruition in the Autumn

All tutor groups got involved in 'Thank You Day' by making a thank you card with each student giving a note of thanks to someone they appreciate – some teachers even managed to get a mention! The notes were displayed, gallery-style on the school gates

Student Council applicants were congratulated and met to discuss how we can work together to promote Student Voice in the new academic year

Have a lovely summer break.







#### **Hagley Ramblers Scout Group**

A huge 'Bravo' to the leaders in Hagley Ramblers Scout Group. Over the past year, they have managed and adapted to what we all know were extremely difficult circumstances. Their commitment and versatility has been remarkable and a fantastic example of scouting principles in action. These spectacular individuals undertake their scouting roles on a voluntary basis, they have busy jobs, hectic family lives and still find that extra time to give to the wider community. Words can't really describe the value they add to people's lives but I hope you will join me in thanking them for what they do for us.

We are now back to face to face scouting although not quite as we know it. The amount of time that it now takes to prepare for meetings has lengthened considerably due to the risk assessment approval process. Although risk assessments have always been part of scouting we now have to do additional Covid Location Risk Assessments.

As always, if any parents/carers would like to join us as volunteers we will welcome you with open arms. No prior experience is necessary and full training is provided. It's lovely to be involved in something that is all about giving and having a positive impact on the world – the more the merrier!!

Kind regards

Sue Corlett, Group Scout Leader



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#### Village Ladies

We are moving ever closer to our planned opening in September but still with several fingers crossed. However, right now, things do seem to be a lot more positive. As has been said, we are probably going to have to learn to live with this situation and, adaptable as we are, learn we will. What's a mask between friends!!

Sadly, we missed our Annual General Meeting in July. This has always been a lovely evening looking back over the previous year and remembering all the good (and sometimes not so good) speakers that we have met. This year, of course, there would have been absolutely nothing to say!!

Don't forget that if there is anything that you need and think that someone else might just be trying to get rid of the very same thing, let Sue know and she will put a note in the next

Newsletter. We could be doing our bit for the environment by recycling instead of throwing away.

We must now look forward to our new 2021/2022 session beginning on September 14th at 8.00pm with, as the song says, "hope in our hearts". Still stay safe and well

#### **Ann Pagett**



#### **Hagley Gardeners Club**

Great news – a date for your diary! We will hold our first post lockdown meeting on Wednesday 22nd September at St Saviour's Church Hall at 8.00 pm. We will hope to look at the way forward for the club. Please come and join us, visitors are always welcome. Holding future meetings in the afternoon can be discussed but we do need your input. Let me know your thoughts either on tillyeye@aol.com or by phone on **01562 883568. Tony Iliff, Hon Treasurer.** 

A few August comments from one of our Past Chairmen John Oakes

#### LAZY GARDENERS MONTH

Long lazy summer days, the garden in full bloom, it is the month for a well-earned break. - maybe a holiday away. Dead heading and lawn mowing are the routine now, with the possibility of some watering, baskets and pots particularly dry out very quickly, the rain never seems to reach them. Good neighbours and friends are a godsend

if you are going away! The veg patch and tomato plants also need a lot of water and it is a good idea to cut off any large leaves that are shading fruits that hopefully are now ripening. Relax and enjoy the healthy fruits of your labours, maybe with a blob of ice cream... naught but nice!

August 30th is traditionally the day to measure any sunflowers that you have, hope you have a winner.

#### Tony Iliff - Hon. Treasurer





#### **Walton District Girlguiding**

How lucky we are in this district that all units have now been able to meet face to face. This is thanks to the dedication of the terrific leaders in the district and their dedication. This is not the picture across the country where units are finding it difficult to meet so the members in Walton District are very lucky.

All sections have been busy outdoors with many Rainbows and Brownies working towards the Midlands Wildlife Badge with I Do One Thing (IDOT) girls have learnt the countryside code, built dens in the woods, gone on wildlife spotting walks and constructed bird feeders and wormeries.

Guides have been enjoying adventures at Blackwell Court and Beaconfield where they have had space to explore and do some traditional guiding like cooking in a cardboard box and foil oven.

Rangers have tried their hand at whittling and cooked outdoors and are looking forward to an end of term Stand Up Paddle Boarding session on the Lakeside Campus of the University of Worcester.

#### **Rachel Coton**



#### **Hagley Country Dancers**

Restrictions were not lifted in June, so we did not meet as hoped. There seems to be a realistic prospect of being able to socialise by the end of July, but this takes us to our usual summer break so we plan to restart in the Free Church Hall on Monday 6th September. No doubt many will welcome the chance to get out and meet people as we did in pre-pandemic days. If you feel that you would like to celebrate our newly restored freedom and try something different, why not come and see who we are and what we do? There is plenty of parking via Chapel Street. There is no charge for a first visit, subsequently the cost is £2 per person. For more information, ring June Waterhouse **01562 700639** 

#### Hagley U3A

Hagley u3a are planning to WELCOME members back on Wednesday 1st September. The speaker will be Max Hunt "A Worcestershire Lad", an interesting talk about A. E. Housman. The venue is St Saviour's Church Hall, doors will be open from 1.30pm with the meeting starting at 1.45pm. There will be refreshments afterwards and members will have the opportunity to sign up to interest groups. This is all subject to Government restrictions being lifted – more information

nearer the time from our Chair Jane Mottram (01562 888219) or Membership Secretary Ian Powick (01562 883822).

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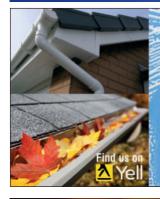


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#### **Worcestershire CC**

This is my first report since being re-elected as the County Councillor for the Clent Hills Division. I would like to begin by saying how much I appreciate the support I received during the Election and to say how humbled I felt by the result. I would also like to pay tribute to the other candidates that stood in the Election; it takes an enormous investment in terms of both money and time to make this commitment. I believe that everyone that stands does so with the best of intentions and I thank them for standing.

I have been appointed as the Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing on Worcestershire County Council. Health and Wellbeing is fundamental to the lives of all residents in this County and I look forward to the addressing the challenges of this new role.

Worcestershire Children First ("WCF") are encouraging parents to sign up to the county's register for children with disabilities and special educational needs. On signing up to the register, you will receive a certificate stating that your child is on the register. This may be able to be used to get discounts at local attractions. Any child or young person in Worcestershire with a special educational need and/or disability can be on the register. You do not have to provide any proof of need or disability and do not need to have a diagnosis and there are no assessments. It is completely voluntary and you can remove your details at any time. By registering, families can be kept up to date on services and support across Worcestershire and provide feedback to help us understand your experiences. WCF will communicate news and updates with those parent/carers and young people who gave consent to be contacted in the future. For more information and to sign up, please visit: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/cwdregister

FREE SCHOOL MEALS: The County Council was delighted to receive a Government grant for  $\pounds$ 1.5 million to provide free school meals and activities and support families over the summer holidays. This funding will enable Ready, Steady, Worcestershire to launch an exciting range of summer activities, with meals, for disadvantaged children across the county. Ready, Steady, Worcestershire is a Council service which provides information about food, activities and support available

to families and children during the school holidays. This help is available to families with children from nursery and primary ages, through to older children and teenagers. In November 2020, the Government announced that the Holiday, Activities and Food (HAF) programme, which has provided healthy food and enriching activities to children since 2018, will be expanded across the whole of England this year to children in every local authority.

The booking system will be going live early next month, to register an interest in a place for their child on this summer's programme, parents can visit this link: Register interest summer activities with meals

CARERS WEEK: The County Council and Worcestershire Children First were proud to support Carers Week this month. Over 63,000 people in Worcestershire are currently unpaid carers and this includes one in seven workers. It is important to remember that a carer can be any age and there are many young people, from 7 to 18 years of age, who are carers. A carer is someone who provides unpaid care to a family member or friend who has a disability, illness, mental health condition, or who needs extra help as they grow older. The caring responsibility could be anything from doing everyday tasks to providing emotional support and companionship. Unpaid carers juggle work, education, children, and home life as well as their caring responsibility and this can be challenging, especially in the current Covid crisis.

With the increasing numbers of Covid 19 cases in the Bromsgrove District, can I please remind everyone of the need to get vaccinated; it is the only way we will prevent this virus from spreading.

Please feel free to contact me if you feel I can help with any issues. Stay Safe and Well. Best wishes - Karen

Cllr Karen May - Mobile: 07818 085140 Email: kmay@worcestershire.gov.uk



#### **Hagley Parish Council**

I would like to begin in welcoming Suhayla Lawson and Stephen Fitzpatrick to Hagley Parish Council. Both were co-opted onto the Council at the HPC meeting in June. I look forward to working with them and hope that they enjoy their time with the Council.

At the time of writing, final plans are being put in place to remove the fences from the field and for the Pavilion to formally opened. As a reminder the fences have had to remain in place whilst Severn Trent Water completed its works to re-instate the field to a minimum of a 'good' standard. Had the fences been removed before this work had been completed and the field did not meet the required standard, the responsibility for any remedial works would have fallen at the feet of HPC. The opening of the Pavilion has meant that the Clerks' office will now be in the Pavilion building itself. The office and meeting room on Worcester Rd have been vacated. Future HPC meetings will be held in the Pavilion meeting room. Now that we are



'open' for business we would welcome any enquiries as to future hire of the amenity.

Being optimistic about the wider opening up of society on the 19th July, I would urge more usage of the community bus. It is there for anyone who has difficulty getting out and about or accessing the scheduled bus/train routes. Designed to be flexible, it goes to local shopping areas as well as running special trips where there is a good demand.

I hope that the planned return to normality and the arrival of summer brings much joy and relief to us all.

#### Cllr Steve Colella Vice Chairman Hagley Parish Council



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June saw the club hosting another Zoom presentation for our members with Newmarket artist Jim Power; who treated us to not just one but two separate demonstrations which featured painting landscapes "en plein air" i.e. outside, using oils, and with a side course of equestrian drawing for good measure and we were joined online by two other art clubs.

We were able to open the Hagley Art Club back up to non-members again for our July demonstration on Friday 9th. We were unable to hold the demonstration at St Saviours Hall as usual, so we met at the KSCA, Kinver Sports & Community Association Hall in Kinver.

Please check the website

www.hagleyartclub.co.uk for news of August's demonstration and a potential open painting day or email the club at hagleyartclub583@gmail.com

Until we know what the situation is with St Saviour's we are seeking to find new premises for our demonstrations. We're hoping to find premises in Hagley but looking to change to a different night in the week - still in the second week of the month.

New members are always welcome; now being a good time to join, with reduced subscriptions, tempting offers, extensive range of professional demonstrations and a new hobby to undertake without even stepping out of the door. Also, the Churchill Painting Circle, only available to members, is now up and running again. Contact hagleyartclub583@gmail.com

Sallie Gurney



#### **Active Seniors**

Do you feel like your stamina has reduced over the last 12 months? What about your strength? And how is your balance? During the lockdowns we all ventured out less, our normal activities were probably restricted and there wasn't much opportunity for organised exercise. Clients that have returned to class have commented that they have noticed their balance has become poorer and of course this can make you a little less likely to resume activities.

Does this sound like you? Fear not! Weekly classes are now back running at the Community centre to get you back on the right track. There are currently spaces in the Monday morning Happy Hearts class which is a lively hour of exercise to improve general fitness and tone muscles. Get your week off to a great start and get an hour of exercise under your belt from 9.30-10.30 on Monday mornings. There are also the last few remaining spots available

in the strength and balance classes (Monday mornings, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons) but these are going fast so call to discuss place availability or if you want more details.

Tai chi runs on Tuesday and Thursday at 4.15-5.15pm with very limited spaces remaining so if this is something you have always fancied trying, or even something you have done in the past and feel you would like to get back to then ring Angela.

Please be aware that due to covid restrictions on numbers all places need to be pre-booked. For more information ring Angela on **07512 546480** 





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In May the Hagley Rotarians of Hagley agreed to move our venue for our weekly meeting to the Club House of Blakedown and Churchill Golf Club where the Rotary Club of Hagley will recommence their club activities commencing on the 21st June 2021.

The Rotarians of Hagley have continued to make contributions to the Black Country foodbanks. There continue to be worthy causes locally as well as overseas for Rotary to support and contribute to.

The month of May is when Rotarians concern themselves with Youth Service projects recognising the contribution our young people make in the world and acknowledging there is increasing importance in the roles they have yet to fulfil.

Our Youth have their organisation within Rotary called Roteract developing their own service projects and programs, the Rotary family is an inclusive one in which age or vocations are welcomed and accommodated.

The Rotarians of Hagley are committed to better environments in which youth services are welcomed and respected. We wish all our Youth and Youth Workers Health and Happiness.

So 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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- Pre-book computer sessions for up to 2 hours
- Reserve & Collect library books using the normal reservation process - standard reservation charges will be re-introduced from 1st May 2021
- Reserve Children's Book Bundles for free using a junior library card
- Attend Storytime sessions for pre-school children from 22 April

The Mobile Library service restarted on 19th April for socially distanced browsing and borrowing. Normal borrowing periods and standard overdue fees and charges apply. Customers can now pay fees and charge online.

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#### Hagley W.I.

It's summer! And we are looking forward to a Garden Party this month. We'll be outside, well prepared for inclement weather if necessary. By the time you read this, we should already have had a Summer Lunch at Great Witley, our first get together since March 2020.

We've learnt not to take anything for granted when planning ahead. We're now well practised at changing plans at very short notice however, from September, we hope to be meeting each month in the Community Centre. There's a varied programme including a Drumming Workshop and talks about 'The Most Dissolute Man in London', 'The Dialect of the Clee Hills' and 'The 1950s – the Optimistic Decade'...and there's still our Centenary to celebrate.

We have really enjoyed the possiblities of groups of up to 6 meeting face to face – for walks around Hagley and for Tea and Coffee in members' gardens, moving indoors if necessary. Our zoom Craft Demos and Social Sessions continue along with keeping in touch with phone calls and Newsletters.

Do have a look at our Noticeboard by the Pharmacy - see what we have been doing and our future plans. If you are looking for something new, why not give the WI a try? We meet monthly on the second Monday at 2.00 pm in the Community Centre. If you would like to know more, do get in touch Mita Barnes hagleypres@wfedwi.org.uk or 01299 879996

Rosie Wynne



#### **Hagley String Orchestra**

Last month I wrote about the importance and influence of the world-renowned makers of string instruments in Cremona from the 16th-18th centuries, and specifically the families of Amati, Guarneri (legendary Paganini owned four!) and Stradivari, whose instruments today sell for many millions. Their instruments revolutionised string playing with greater richness of tone and technical flexibility.

Thus. many Italian musicians inspired to become virtuoso string players, composing music to show off their talent. Chief among them are Corelli (1653-1713), Torelli (1658-1709), and Vivaldi (1678-1741), and they exploited advanced techniques such as rapid finger work, crossing strings with arpeggios and high pitch notes. Also copying the operatic conventions of the time, some improvised 'showing off'! All of this was much more exciting both for performers and audiences than the old-fashioned, rather staid, music for viol consort.

Perhaps the most famous composer is the nicknamed 'Red Priest' (his hair!) Vivaldi because of his very popular four violin concertos called The Four Seasons. When first performed, this music must have astonished with its depiction of various birds, flies, drunken dancers, huntsmen, winter fires and storms, even a barking dog played by the more modest viola section. Indeed, one of his early works features a solo viola with horns, oboes, bassoons and strings – good for him!

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#### **HCK Badminton Club**

Badminton is back! Following recent Badminton England guidance, we are pleased to announce that HCK Badminton Club is returning to operation on Fridays between 8pm and 10pm at Hagley Roman Catholic School. We are all a bit rusty following the lockdown break. So, if you are looking to shed those lockdown pounds with a new hobby it is a great time to join. We will be operating in a Covid secure environment with bubbles of maximum six people per court and hand sanitiser provided. Sessions are open to newcomers provided they inform us before the preceding Wednesday 9pm

so we can organise our bubbles effectively. Please feel free to get in contact with us via facebook- **facebook.com/HCKBadminton** or by email to our treasurer Greg O'Callaghan **gregocallaghan@ymail.com**. We are very excited to see you there!



#### **BLAKEDOWN & HAGLEY TENNIS CLUB**

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We have regular mix-ins on Friday and Sunday mornings plus Monday evenings, which means you can just turn up and have a game. If you've not played for a while or you're a beginner, why not take advantage of the various coaching courses available.

We also enter a number of teams in the local leagues which is a great way of meeting players from other clubs and we also have a friendly annual club tournament.

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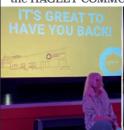






# Let us hope that this month will bring us all some lovely sunshine, fun and rest

The last month saw us planning for our future and coming together with you all. We've been busy trialling our sessions at the HAGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE.





From September 5th our Sunday services will be at 11.30am on the first and third Sundays of the month at the Community Centre. Log onto Facebook or contact Jo Gregory **0121 501 3542** 

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#### **Sunday Services August 2021**

| Date             |                | Morning 10.30am     | Evening 6.00pm |
|------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 01st August 2021 | Holy Communion | Rev. John Maile     |                |
| 08th August 2021 |                | Pastor David Umbers |                |
| 15th August 2021 |                | Mr Robert Foster    |                |
| 22nd August 2021 |                | HFC Committee       |                |
| 29th August 2021 |                | Mrs Hazel Quelch    |                |

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#### Rev.David Tennant

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HELLO to all our members! We are still here, missing our regular meetings and lunches. We hope we can start up again in SEPTEMBER, SO WATCH THIS SPACE! Love to you all **Jean, Marjorie & the team.** 

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|------------------|------------------------|--|
| 01st August 2021 |                        | Holy Communion at St John's<br>Worship 4 All at St Leonard's     |
| 08th August 2021 | Sunday Worship on Zoom | Holy Communion at St Saviour's<br>Holy Communion at St Leonard's |
| 15th August 2021 |                        | All Together Family Communion<br>at St John's                    |
| 22nd August 2021 | Sunday Worship on Zoom | Holy Communion at St Saviour's<br>Holy Communion at St Leonard's |
| 29th August 2021 |                        | All Together Family Communion<br>at St Saviours's                |



#### **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

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 for more information.







#### **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. Now

into 2021 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

# 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:  ${\bf 300dpi~jpeg~or~pdf}$ 

 $^{1}\!\!/_{\!8}$  Page - 46mm x 64mm (HxW) Landscape

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

Email artwork for adverts to: editor@hagleyvillage.org

Editorial may be reproduced on the village website

#### St John's Bellringing

#### **BELL RINGING HOLIDAY CLUB**

Afternoon tutorial sessions for new and returning Ringers will commence from Monday 17th May (subject to COVID rules). Up until Monday 21st June aThree child relatives of current Tower Bell Ringers are interested. The best time for this would be outside school term times. Parents are keen to see their children in organised activates during the holidays, so this may be a good idea for a young person in your family.

The times & duration of the sessions is yet to be decided. In the past four young people have joined our band. With two of them being siblings, it has enabled us to ring more bells as lock-down was easing.

All church activities are conducted under strict Church of England Safe-Guarding policies. There is no requirement to attend church services. Bell-ringing is open to all faiths and ethnicities. There would always be two adults with young persons. Transport is the responsibility of the parents.



Generally, children of approximately 9 years of age are mature enough to learn and master the skills. They do so considerably quicker than adults.

St. Johns is tucked away sandwiched between Hagley Hall, the deer park, the cricket club and the Clent Hills. Just drive up to the Littleton Arms and keep going. There is plenty of free parking and even a small meeting room for use of local organisations.

Richard Scarth - 07768 273545 Tower Captain, St John's, Hagley hagleyringers@gmail.com



#### 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 rebooked for 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/

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.

Richard Scarth for the Friends of St. John's scarth@blueyonder.co.uk



## **Hagley Village** Directory

#### **AFFILIATED CLUBS AND SOCIETIES**

| ACTIVE SENIORS: Angela  BLAKEDOWN AND HAGLEY TENNIS CLUB: www.blakedownhagleytennis.co.uk  CLENT HILLS CONSEVATIVES: Simon Nock  FREE CHURCH: Martin Heathcock, 6 Hawthorn Coppice, Hagley DY9 0PE  FRIENDS OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH: Judith Whitehouse, 30 Newfield Road, Hagley, DY9 0JR  HAGLEY ART CLUB: Bob Haywood-Lister, 4 Waterworks Cottages, Stourbridge Road, DY10 3NX  HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL: Mr B McArdle, Brake Lane, Hagley, DY8 2XL  HAGLEY COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA: Cynthia Downes, 2 Church Street, Hagley, DY9 0NA 886625  HAGLEY CRICKET CLUB: Steve Plant, Neil Hurst, 56 Winds Point, Hagley DY9 9BM | 01562 883774<br>07966 138298<br>01562 884677<br>01562 884724<br>01562 700078<br>01562 883193<br>,07564 276404 |
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| HAGLEY GARDENERS CLUB, John Oakes, 27 Summervale Road, Hagley DY9 0LX   | . 01562 882006  |
| HAGLEY GUIDES, BROWNIES, RAINBOWS: Rachel Cotonrachel.hagleyran   |   |
| HAGLEY HISTORICAL & FIELD SOCIETY: Rachel Paget, 36 Western Road, HagleyHAGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN: Vanessa Payne, Park Road, Hagley DY9 0PXHAGLEY RAMBLER SCOUTS: Sue Corlett  | 01562 883280  |
| HAGLEY STRING ORCHESTRA - Haydn Thomas, 39 Summervale Road , Hagley   |   |
| HAGLEY THEATRE GROUP: Sue Dean, 38 Kidderminster Road, Hagley DY9 0QD   | 01562 885964  |
| HAND OF FRIENDSHIP: Mrs Jean Deacy 30 Sweetpool Lane , Hagley DY8 2XE   | 01562 886213  |
| HCK BADMINTON: Greg O'Callaghan   | 07892 974095  |
| LITTLE KICKERS David Homer, 1 Junepole Drive, Hagley DY8 3XUPAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL: St Saviours Church, 1 Park Road, Hagley DY9 0NS   | 07545 236917  |
| PHASE TRUST Vicky Welch vickywelch@phasetrust.org.uk  | 07967 590219  |
| ROTARY CLUB: David Dewhirst, 6 Trehernes Drive, Pedmore   |   |
| TUESDAY TEA CLUB: Sheila Munden, 33 Kittiwake Drive, Kidderminster, DY10 4RS  | 01562 636333  |
| VERVE TAEKWONDO SCHOOLS: John Swift, 47 Land Oak Drive, Kidderminster, DY10 2ST   | 01562 827437  |
| WEST HAGLEY FOOTBALL CLUB: Annette Malanaphy, 11 The Parklands, Pedmore, DY9 7JT<br>WESTERN BADMINTON CLUB - Neville Smart, Hagley Sports Centre, Brake Lane, Hagley DY8 2XS  |   |
| WESTGLEN CANINE CENTRE: Mark Collins, 113 Walter Nash Road West, Kidderminster  | 01384 637085  |
| ST. JOHN'S & ST. SAVIOUR'S: Sue Priest St Saviour's Church, 1 Park Road DY9 0NS   |   |
| ST JOHNS HAND & TOWER BELLRINGERS: Richard Scarth 1 Clent Drive, Hagley DY9 9LN<br>HAGLEY PARISH COUNCIL CLERK: Mrs Alex Burkes, 74a Worcester Road , Hagley, DY9 0NJ   | 01562 886239  |
| LOCAL M.P.: Sajid Javid - Constituency Office  HAGLEY (& FURLONGS) COUNTY COUNCILLOR (CLENT HILLS DIVISION): Karen May  | 07818 085140  |
| DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR HAGLEY WEST: Steve Colella  DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR HAGLEY EAST: Councillor Rachel Jenkins  |   |
| HAGLEY POLICE STATION   |   |
| HAGLEY LIBRARY  | 01905 822722  |
| HAGLEY MEDICAL PRACTICE   | . 01562 881700  |

August is the border between summer and autumn; it is the most beautiful month I know.

Tove Jansson

