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Hi everyone

And welcome to our first autumnal issue of 2021. We're delighted that most of our local groups are now re-starting this month - we hope that you enjoy reading their articles where you will find further information and contact details. However we are sorry to report that due to the COVID pandemic the Hagley Helpline will not be running for now and in the near future as far as we know.

Our colleague, Erica Sprason is stepping down as advertising manager for the Village News - we thank her very much for all her hard work. This however leaves a vacancy. If you would like to take on this role, please see our advert on page 4 for further details.

As always we have some very interesting pieces for you in this issue. Step Back In Time returns this month with a double page spread on pages 8 and 9 featuring some wonderful old photos of Hagley Court. Along with this HHFS have submitted their monthly piece which is a delightful history of our local train station together with a very vintage photograph.

Please also take a look at page 7. Our adorable little Rainbows of Hagley took part in a ceremony at Hagley Hall where Lord Cobham presented them with prestigious gold awards. Well done girls - you should be very proud.

We have a plea from a lovely young man living in Hagley who will be taking part in a fundraiser later this year. Jacob and his colleagues are trying to raise funds for the Alzheimer's Society. Please see his message on page 6 for more details. We at the Village News wish him all the best in his endeavour.

We're very pleased to announce that the Hand of Friendship at the Free Church is at last able to run again and welcome our older members of the community - see the Free Church page for more details.

And finally, for all you Harry Potter fans out there, we have a quote on our back page from JK Rowling which we think just about perfectly sums up September and the arrival of Autumn. Bye for now - see you next month

Alison Akers Editor

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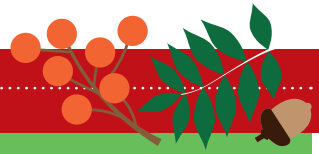
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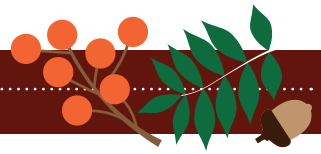
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HAGLEY Through my eyes

We're looking to run a feature in one of our future issues of photographs by our younger members of the community. If there are any primary age children who are budding photographers and would like to take part then please forward your images to editor@hagleyvillage.org.

Photographs need to be hi-res (300 dpi). Please include your first name, age, a few words about your photograph and why you took it.

*Happy snapping kids!
can't wait to see your pics!*



Hagley Historical and Field Society

Hagley Station in 1964

This view of Hagley station was taken in 1964. Hagley station first appeared in timetables in 1862 as part of the Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton railway, it was a rough and ready structure with platforms built of old sleepers.

The inhabitants of Hagley fought the GWR (Great Western Railway) from 1875 until 1884 to get improved transport facilities and the rebuilt station and its approach road (Station Drive) were opened later that year, jointly funded by both parties.

The large building on the right is a typical GWR late 19th century structure but the wooden building on the same platform

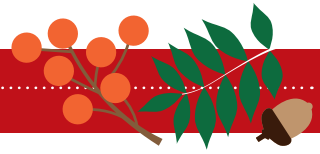
is much older. The building on the other platform has now gone, but it survived (without its canopy) until the 1980s. Notice the very tall signal by the left of the bridge, it was positioned high was so that it could be seen over both bridges.

The footbridge to the rear of the photograph was a standard feature of the 1880s, but very few survive. It was Grade II listed by Historic England in 2000 and restored to its original condition in 2012 at a cost of £50,000. It is also familiar to model railway enthusiasts after being made into model by Hornby for its train sets.

Rachel Paget - Secretary

See hhfs.org.uk for details & contacts





A Message From Jacob

Hello all - I'm Jacob Tumelty. I live in Hagley and work at Breach House Care Home in Belbroughton. My colleague Shannon Byrne has organised a Sky-dive fundraiser which my fellow staff members and I will be taking part in. By doing so we aim to raise awareness and aid research for a charity which is very close to our hearts.

Alzheimer's disease is an irreversible, progressive brain disorder that slowly destroys memory, thinking skills and eventually the ability to carry out the simplest of tasks. 1 in 6 people over the age of 80 have dementia. 70% of people in care homes have dementia or severe memory problems. There are over 42,000 people under 65 with dementia in the UK. At the current rate of prevalence there will be over 1.5 million people with this illness in the UK by the year 2040.

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family. Many people who suffer have a lot of anxiety are scared, confused, frustrated, and tormented. So nine members of our care staff will take a 10,000ft leap of faith out of a plane later on in the year to raise funds for the Alzheimer's Society. We hope that our efforts will help with research to improve the daily lives of people who suffer with this disease. And hopefully one day a cure can be found.

We would be truly grateful for any donations made and all support is very much appreciated. If you would like to donate then please visit our GoFundMe page: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/breach-house-skydive>



A Thank You From Sam

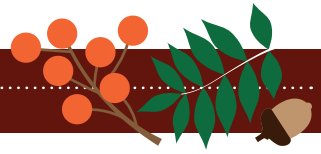
Hello everyone. This is Sam Gascoyne and I have been doing fundraising over the past couple of years to raise money for Myeloma UK. I have now completed my aim of completing 15 challenges all related to the number 15, before I turn 15 in August of this year.

I just wanted to thank everyone who has supported me by donating items/ money/ attending events. It means an awful lot to me and my mum. In total, I have raised over £8,600 - just a bit more than my original £150 target! And this is nearly 20% of my mum's target of £50,000 which she is trying to achieve before she is 50 by getting friends and family to do events and by cycling 300 miles from London to Paris.

Thank you again - Sam

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Hagley Rainbows

LORD COBHAM PRESENTS GOLD AWARDS TO 2ND HAGLEY RAINBOWS AT HAGLEY HALL

Girlguiding UK updated its programme in September 2018 and Maxine Wyeth, Leader of 2nd Hagley Rainbows, was very keen to embrace this exciting new programme and has spent the last two years helping her Rainbows to complete six Theme Awards leading to the Gold Award.

Lord Cobham was delighted to present this prestigious award to the first ten Rainbows (ages 5-7 years) in the District who have earned their Girlguiding Gold Award. We were invited to Hagley Hall to

hold the ceremony in one of the beautiful state rooms; Lord Cobham made us very welcome, chatting to Rainbows and Leaders and was interested to learn of the activities the Rainbows completed, for each Theme.

The six Themes focus on a similar area: Theme "Have Adventures" - girls having the chance to overcome fears, try new activities and learn survival skills. Getting outside and having adventures has always been an important part of Guiding.

Theme "Skills for My Future"- girls investigate what they might like to do in the future and how they can grow their life skills; we visited Stourbridge Fire Station and learned basic DIY skills. The other Themes are "Know Myself", "Express Myself", "Take Action", and "Be Well".

Girlguiding is a fantastic organisation to be part of, both as a member and volunteer. If you are interested, please visit our website Girlguiding.org.uk and complete the enquiry form.



Step Back In Time.....to 1865

Hagley Court 1865



Hagley Court was located at the junction of Kidderminster Road and Stourbridge Road, opposite what is now Market Way. It was originally called Hagley Cottage; ironmaster John Phillips Grazebrook bought it, renamed it and extended it to suit his growing family. The photo of the house was taken in 1865. The photo of Mrs Grazebrook in her carriage outside Hagley Court must be later as the walls then show significant foliage cover. The building later became a nursing home and subsequently Hagley Court Hotel, then Hagley Country Club before it was demolished in the 1960s.

Step Back In Time.....to 1920

The Interior



Hagley Court hall



Hagley Court drawing room



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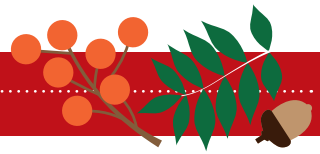
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Interview

Ten minutes in the company of Reverend David Tennant - Hagley Free Church

Thank you for joining me in my chat with the Reverend David Tennant who coincidentally is retiring after more than 25 years here in Hagley and 56 years as a minister starting in Melksham then Hall Green B'ham, then locum work, before serving the Hagley Free Church and others.

Born in Coventry with a Grammar school education leaving at 16 and training in management accountancy David later went to Bristol Baptist College where upon graduating took a full-time ministry in Melksham for 5 years before moving to Hall Green, B'ham a large suburban church. "I was very happy there but moved to teach 'Church Education' in the Selly Oak Colleges. I did this full time for 20 years, and along with preaching on Sunday's I served on church councils and did a lot of committee work which I enjoyed enormously" added David. During this period David travelled overseas as well supporting overseas students in the UK.

"In the early 80's I came to Hagley Free church on some Sundays for special occasions, funerals, and weddings, before finally taking a part time minister role here".

I asked him how he became a minister and how his faith developed as a young man.

David replied "It was unusual because my parents were not regular church goers but from an early age, I had strong convictions that this is what I should do, I thought carefully about the calling at first but have no regrets whatsoever and it has been very important to me. Making the decision brought peace and contentment".

"I since learnt that I did have a great great grandfather who was an untrained preacher who I did not know until recently.

The world has certainly changed since I first became a minister and increasingly believe that churches should come together. Over the years I have had great support from Rev Newton and more recently have met with Lifecentral. Hopefully this is something for the future.

I asked how congregations have changed. "Congregations in the Free Church are not growing with a very small number of families, but the church reaches into community with 'Hand of Friendship', Guides and Brownies, orchestra and choir groups, and 'Parent and Toddlers' and other activities. Whilst the services have seen a drop in attendance the commitment and faith of the regulars remain strong. The hall is very popular and used widely and so the Free Church remains a very important part of the community."

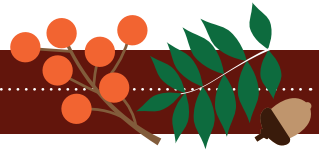
The Church and Hall were built 1905 and were because of the growth of the village with the local rail connections. It is a united church replacing the Methodist Chapel in Chapel Street.

I would like to extend my thanks and congratulations to David on his retirement and hope David will enjoy his well-deserved rest and have more time to enjoy his love of steam engines and railways.

Interview by **Steve Colella**



Hagley Free Church
Established 1905



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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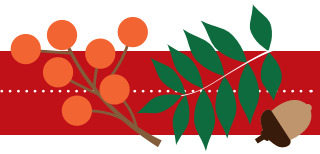
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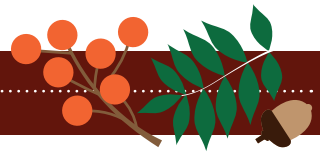
We have another splendid painting by local artist Mike Spencer - which we just couldn't resist featuring in this month's issue. We need your help though. Can any of our eagle eyed readers identify where it is. The area is local and not far from Hagley. Mike has worked his painting from a photograph taken on one of his many jaunts surveying beautiful areas. But where is it? Mike is unsure, but highly recommends paying a visit to enjoy it once we know it's locality. Over to you - our loyal readers!

Tuesday Tea Club

I am pleased to say that all being well, the Tea Club will start again on Tuesday 21st September at 2:30 in the Free Church Hall. This will be a new start after a long break and, I will be the "new girl" running it. I will be taking over after Sue and Simon Baker had done a wonderful job for many years, they will be sorely missed. I hope I can carry on their good work. On that day I will be pleased to hear any ideas you have for the club. Are there any changes you would like or are you happy to keep things as they are? After all it is YOUR club. I

look forward to seeing everyone again and new members will be very welcome. Any questions about the club feel free to phone me. Sheila Munden **01562 636333**





Village Ladies

Hi Village Ladies. The day has finally arrived when we can say that our first meeting of the 2021/2022 session of Village Ladies will be on Tuesday 14th September 2021 at St. Saviour's Church Hall beginning at 8.00pm. How good does that sound? Our second meeting in September will be on Tuesday 28th, same time and place. As usual, there will be no speaker at the first meeting on 14th September as this is when we will register for the 21/22 session. This year, it has been decided that there will be no speaker on 28th September either. This meeting will give another opportunity to register and will also be a social evening when we can catch up on all the gossip, we've missed during the last 18 months, and we can renew friendships with those that we maybe haven't seen during these tough times. We could probably still be chatting during our October meetings too but, have no fear, our

speakers will return!! More news of them in the October edition of the Village News.

Please make sure to read the September newsletter from Sue because it will contain information about any rules and regulations that we may need to follow when we go back to the Hall.

Let's make 14th September a 'Village Ladies Bumper Reunion Party'

Ann Pagett



Hagley Gardeners Club

The first month of autumn is here and the mornings can be decidedly chilly. Our first meeting since 'lockdown' will be held on Wednesday 22nd September (also the date of the autumn equinox), when we will discuss the future of the club and the suggestion of holding further meetings in the afternoon. The meeting will be at St Saviours Church Hall at 7.30 for 8.00 p.m. Friends and visitors will be welcome.

We are very sorry to have to report the death of Maureen Hurst who died in July. We send our sincere condolences to all her family and friends.

John Oakes (a former Chairman) sends these autumn comments: We can still enjoy Dahlias, Asters (Michaelmas daisies), Sedums, Rudbeckia, Penstemons and the mellow colours of the grasses such as Stipa Gigantea. For a wonderful display of Asters visit Picton Gardens in Colwall, near the Malvern Hills. It is a good show for butterflies, taking their last drops of

nectar before hibernating. There is also the Malvern Autumn Show from 24th to 26th September. Advance tickets cost £18.00. Now is the time for a general tidy-up and get ready for the winter and spring. Bulbs are in the shops, buy now for your favourites such as narcissus triandrus thalia, a white with pointed petals. Do not forget Anemone blanda, the wood anemone or wind flower. For the last of the tomatoes to ripen, remove leaves which overhang the fruits to let the sun in

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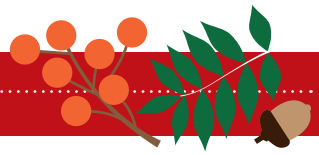


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Bromsgrove District Council

At the time of writing the continued rise in Covid infections has limited Bromsgrove Council to restrict meetings in person to Full Council and a few specific meetings such as planning.

The Council will continue to follow Government guidance as regards working practices and returning to a greater degree of normality. There was an issue in August with Council waste staff being 'pinged' and therefore had to follow government guidance and isolate. This led to slight delays in collecting a few bins across Hagley.

I'm disappointed that there were NO bids put forward by any Hagley groups from this year's New Homes Bonus. In the past Hagley has benefited from receiving very important inward investment to help groups and societies.

There were several flooding issues reported in Hagley over the summer following heavy rainfall resulting in storm water overloading the drainage system in places. There have been a series of investigations particularly along the Worcester Rd (B4187). My thanks go

to County Councillor May and the Highways team for their help in resolve these long running issues. At the time of writing a report on the 2019 Chestnut Drive culvert flooding is still awaited. This is due later this summer.

There is pressure on the green belt; it is important to have your say on what will have an impact on where we live. I would urge you to register to the Black Country Development plan consultation as greenbelt on the Stourbridge border (Worcester Rd) is already identified as a possible development site.

Please remember that we can both be contacted on s.colella@bromsgrove.gov.uk or r.jenkins@bromsgrove.gov.uk

Bromsgrove District Councillors
Steve Colella (Hagley West)
Rachel Jenkins (Hagley East)



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Hagley Neighbourhood Watch

Over the summer the following incidents have been reported.

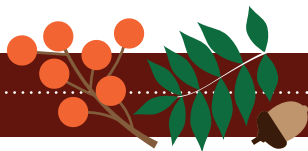
- Break-in and robbery in household property between 11:00 31st July - 11:30 1st Aug.
- Attempted burglary sometime between 28th - 29th July.
- An e.scooter was seized in Rubery. The Policing Team reminds us that they can only be ridden on private land. Although e.scooters are available to buy they are currently illegal to use on public roads, pavements, cycle lanes and pedestrian only areas.
- On 24th July at 18:50hrs a silver Audi and a silver Range Rover were stolen.
- Reports of white van being parked on Sweetpool nature reserve and a number of items 'dumped'.

At the time of writing there are no updates as regards the perpetrators being caught or stolen property recovered.

Action Fraud is reminding animal lovers to take extra care when buying a pet online, as new figures show more than £2.5 million has been lost to criminals through fake pet adverts. Neighbourhood Watch is promoting a new campaign: Protect your Pooch.

There a number of ways in which you can help improve the security of your home and property i.e. purchase a CCTV system. This can help deter, detect and identify criminals. It can discourage anti-social behaviour and reduce crime - offenders do not want to be caught on camera. If you're experiencing antisocial behaviour or intimidation. Contact snt@westmercia.pnn.police.uk





Hagley Surgery

APPOINTMENTS: As restrictions are releasing we wanted to update our patients on how our appointment system will operate as we move forward. The team at Hagley Surgery are here to support you and your health conditions and can be accessed via telephone, online or by popping into the surgery. Face coverings are still being promoted in the surgery environment wherever possible. We will be continuing to operate an 'on the day' telephone appointment system at the surgery as we have continued to find that this is well received and had positive feedback. For those patients where the Doctor feels an examination is needed, they will be invited to the surgery to see the Doctor, Nurse or healthcare professional in a face to face appointment. This will be explained and a time mutually agreed between the patient and the clinician during the initial telephone call.

All appointments (including telephone slots and selected nurse appointments for smears or blood tests) continue to be available to book online where you have online access to your medical record. It is really easy to do – to sign up if you haven't already please speak to reception via telephone or via our online portal on the website. You can access appointment booking or order repeat prescriptions at anytime from anywhere so it really is worthwhile signing up.

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Hagley Library

Libraries are now open for customers to:

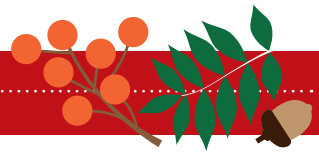
- Browse shelves and borrow books using self-service machines
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- Reserve & Collect library books using the normal reservation process - standard reservation charges will be re-introduced from 1st May 2021
- Reserve Children's Book Bundles for free using 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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Revised opening hours remain in operation at some libraries, please check your local library for up to date details before you visit.



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In June, President Godfrey Partridge prepared to hand over to Incoming President Martin Feckelton and commence our meetings at the Club House of Blakedown and Churchill Golf Club.

David Valentine Assistant District Governor came to support our Club Assembly on the 21st and congratulated the club on its performance and service during the pandemic with continued contributions to the Black Country foodbanks.

The month of June is when Rotarians concern themselves with fellowship and what binds Rotarians together in a unity of desire and unity of purpose. Being a small club we are pleased and privileged to contribute to bigger things. The Rotary Club of Hagley in Fellowship with Rotary International wishes all their New President Martin

Freckelton Good Health and Happiness. So if readers would like to have fun with a purpose, consider joining our club who will be meeting at 6.30 pm for 7.00 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:

Martin Freckelton: 01562 700 391

Dave Santus: 01562 886 529

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Art Club

At last, we were able to open Hagley Art Club to non-members for our July demonstration on Friday, July 9th with Keith Turley, held at the KSCA in Kinver, who offered us temporary accommodation. Keith demonstrated a Life Portrait in Acrylics with one of our newest members Lily Fletcher as his model. It was a very lively and instructive session enjoyed by all.

Our demonstration with Mark Warren (Still Life & Courageous Colour) on August 13th will be our last at St Saviour's Church Hall as following input from members we are changing our demo night to the second Monday in the month and St Saviours are unable to accommodate this change.

From September our club demonstrations will be held at Hagley Community Centre, which many will know as the venue for our

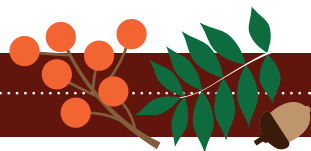
annual exhibition in November. The event on Monday 13th will feature Tim Nash with a Mixed Media demonstration.

The Churchill Painting Circle remains unchanged. We're hoping there will be no further changes but should this happen, all up-to-date information can be found on our Facebook page and/or website at www.hagleyartclub.co.uk. Remember new members are always welcome. Contact us at hagleyartclub583@gmail.com

Sallie Gurney - Website Editor



HAGLEY ART CLUB



Active Seniors

WANTED!! – Hagley older adults to join our lively Monday morning Happy Hearts class 9.30-10.30 at the community centre.

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If you would like to start including some exercise into your week but don't know where to start do give me a call to discuss and book a taster session.

For my clients continued safety I continue to run all classes with Covid safe policies so there is plenty of space for everyone to reduce risk. All places need to be pre-booked.

Hope to see you soon!

Angela 07512 546480



Hagley Country Dancers

At the time of writing, the threat from Covid is continuing to decrease and we expect to restart in the Free Church Hall on Monday 6th September. We are all looking forward to being able to meet again, and, at the start of a new term, take up where we were forced to give up 18 long months ago. 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

We are planning to WELCOME members back on Wednesday 1st September. The venue is St Saviour's Church Hall - doors will be open from 1.30 with the meeting starting at 1.45. The emphasis will be on spending time together again (so the speaker has been postponed) and members will have a chance to sign up to the various Groups. There will be tea, coffee, and cake. 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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Hagley W.I.

We are thrilled to have had our first face to face get together – a lunch outside at the Garden Tea Rooms, Great Witley where we were very well looked after - and the sun shone. It was so special to be meeting in person after more than 15 months and, by the time you read this, we hope to have gathered again for a Garden Party in August.

With the Community Centre now open, our first meeting is planned for Monday 13 September at 2.00 pm. It will be our belated Annual Meeting looking back over a challenging year and a talk - The History of a Garden.

There is a full programme arranged for the coming year including a Drumming Workshop and talks about 'The Most Dissolute Man in London', 'The Dialect of the Cleve Hills' and 'The 1950s - the Optimistic Decade'...and we are planning our Centenary celebrations.

However – as I write this in July, these are still uncertain times - regulations and restrictions can change, often at very short notice. If you would like to join any of these events, do check first. Have a look at our Noticeboard by the Pharmacy - see our future plans and if you're 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. **Mita Barnes** hagleypres@wfedwi.org.uk or **01299 879996**

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Hagley String Orchestra

Praise be and thank goodness! After an enforced closure of 18 months, HSO meets again for our Autumn Term 2021 starting on Tuesday 7th September. I hope some readers will consider joining us, so it's worthwhile stating that we meet in the excellent hall situated behind Hagley Free Church, which has a kitchen and toilets. The space is admirable for our numbers with space for coats and instrument cases, and acoustically the sound is clear and bright. At the back of the hall is an extensive carpark, with a short walk via a narrow passageway to the hall.

This term's repertoire (t.b.c.) should delight and encourage us all: -

Bach, CPE Sinfonia No. 2

Boyce String Symphony No. 8

Bridgewater Concert Piece No. 2 for Piano and Strings (Premiere!)

Dvorak Serenade for Strings

Faure Nocturne from 'Shylock'

Haydn String 4tet in B Minor Op.64 No.2

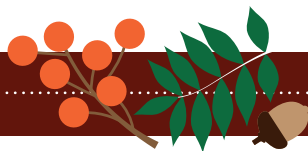
Dag Wiren Serenade for Strings

A reminder that we do not give public performances; many of our players do this with other groups. We meet simply to enjoy ourselves without the stresses of 'performing'. N.B. we all have individual music stands – no sharing for easy music reading.

For more information, please contact Haydn Thomas on **01562 885252**; sanhay50@gmail.com

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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](https://www.facebook.com/HCKBadminton) or by email to our treasurer Greg O'Callaghan gregocallaghan@gmail.com. We are very excited to see you there!



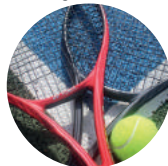
BLAKEDOWN & HAGLEY TENNIS CLUB

It's been a challenging year for everyone but at long last we're playing tennis again. Our three newly resurfaced courts are enjoying a new lease of life! Two of the courts are floodlit so play is possible in the evenings too and the club is open all year round. We are located on the left-hand side of the A456 just as you enter Blakedown, heading in the Kidderminster direction. The setting is great for families as we are adjacent to a play park and the community field.

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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or follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/blakedownhagleytennis/>
Sandy Thomas



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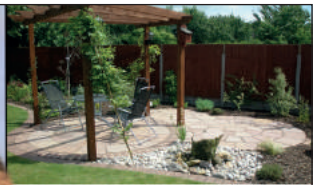
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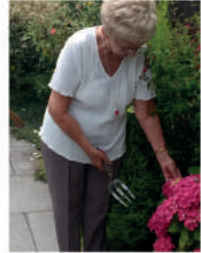
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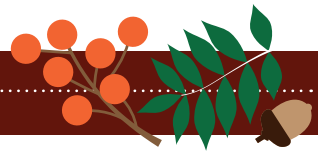
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Thursday 9th September 2021 10.30-11.30am sees the return of our very popular children's group, a place to bring your little ones from 0-school age, make friends, and meet up with moms, dads, nannies and granddads. We look forward to seeing you.



FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT JO GREGORY ON 0121 501 3542



Hagley Free Church

95 Worcester Road, Hagley DY9 0NG
Rev David Tennant: Tel: 0121 478 3843
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SUNDAY SERVICES SEPTEMBER 2021

Date		Morning 10.30am	Evening 6.00pm
05th September 2021	Holy Communion	Pastor David Umbers	
12th September 2021		Rev. Rikki Twig	
19th September 2021		Rev. Edwin Boddington	
26th September 2021		Mr Blair Kessler	

SEARCH FOR NEW MINISTER

Following the retirement of our Honorary Minister, Reverend David Tennant, who served us so well for many years, we have begun a new venture to appoint a part-time Minister. Our Church is in the centre of the village, and we are an independent,

inter-denominational church in the mainstream Free Church tradition. Anyone interested in applying can obtain an application form and a detailed Position Profile from our Church Administrator at hfc1905@btinternet.com

HAND OF FRIENDSHIP

Good news for our members. We are starting our lunches again on Thursday September 2nd. Hand of Friendship is a lunch club for Senior Citizens. We meet for tea/coffee at 11am every Thursday for 50 weeks of the year. We enjoy a freshly cooked two course lunch followed by tea /coffee. The meal is cooked on the premises by a team of volunteers. If you would like some cheery company to forget the covid blues, you are most welcome. For more information, please contact Jean on **01562 885760**. If you need the Dial A Ride bus the number is: **0121 476 1816**

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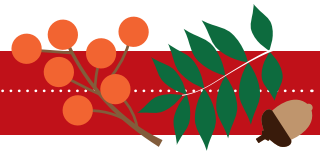
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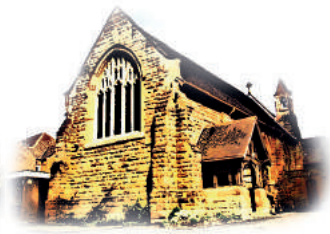
At the time of writing – the end of July – having looked at the latest CofE guidance, we have decided to move forward with safety in mind. Please still wear a mask, sanitise your hands, and leave a sensible space between yourself and other people. We can now sing. Holy Communion will still be in one kind and will be taken to you in your seat. Please notify us if you wish to be seated socially distanced or if you are clinically vulnerable. As always, everyone is very welcome.

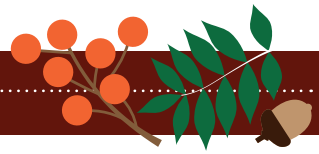
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SUNDAY WORSHIP FOR SEPTEMBER 2021 - FOR HAGLEY AND CLENT

Date	9.00am	10.30am
05th September 2021		Holy Communion at St John's
12th September 2021	Sunday Worship on Zoom	Holy Communion at St Leonard's
19th September 2021		Holy Communion at St John's Family Service at St Leonard's
26th September 2021	Sunday Worship on Zoom	Holy Communion at St Saviour's Holy Communion at St Leonard's





Local Churches

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

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

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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. 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**

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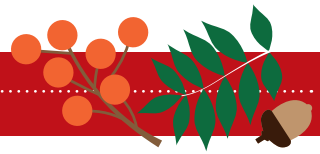
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All church activities are conducted under strict Church of England Safe-Guarding policies. There is no requirement to attend church services. Bell-ringing is open to all faiths and ethnicities. There would always be two adults with young persons. Transport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

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



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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 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/](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
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