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Editor's Welcome JUNE 2023

Welcome to June

We think we can safely say that we have now entered the glorious season of summer! English summertimes are so special and hopefully after the month of 'No Mow May" our lawns are splendidly overgrown and crammed full of all things bright, beautiful and wild as can be!

As always there has been plenty going in the Village - not least the hugely successful celebrations for the Kings Coronation 'Party in the Park'. Well done to all who took part and a big thankyou to Hagley Parish Council for organising another fabulous event for all the lovely peeps of Hagley to enjoy.

In this months issue we bring you up to date with exciting news of the extensions, alterations and refurbishment of the Community Centre. Turn to pages 8, 9, 10 and 11 for in depth reporting, plans and images of how it will look. This will most definitely be another fine asset for our community to benefit from immensely.

Whilst remaining on the subject of the Community Centre - Steve Colella, as chairman of the HCA will be bringing us regular updates. Head over to page 18 for his introductory write up on this and also his report on the success of second Village Market.

And a mention for the menfolk of Hagley if we may. It's Father's Day this month and it goes without out saying that we'd like to wish a good one to all those lovely Dads out there. Most certainly those fine gentlemen deserve a refreshing ale or two - and we have some damn fine establishments in the Village that can most certainly and happily cater for that. Get out there - fill those beer gardens and have a cheeky one (or three) with Dad!

Have a lovely month folks. Take care and we'll be back with you in July

Alison Akers Editor

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ACTIVE SENIORS 9.30-10.30am 11.15-12.15pm	PILATES 10.00-11.00am (Intermediates) 11.30-12.30pm (Beginners)		LITTLE TREASURES 10.00-11.30am					
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HAGLEY HISTORICAL AND FIELD SOCIETY

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The comments of the prime minister quickly came to represent the spirit of the day, encapsulating the optimism of a country. However, like many political quotes it is often misunderstood, Macmillan meant them not as an expression of complacency, but as a warning. 'What is worrying us,' he went on, 'is it too good to be true?' Philip's illustrated talk will rekindle memories for those of a 'certain age' and tell the story of a decade of social and technological change, shopping, teenagers and of course, rock and roll!

On 4th July we once again welcome Dr Gillian White presenting 'Queen Victoria: A Life in Portraits'. Queen Victoria is popularly remembered as an austere, dowdy, and petite widower (she was only 4ft 11in), however,

she succeeded in projecting different and memorable images using paintings and photographs throughout her long life. This lively and entertaining talk will take us on her journey from daughter to empress, by way of wife, mother and dog-owner, with her ever-changing role on Britain's stage carefully captured and controlled for both public and private consumption. We will follow her story in a selection of these portraits – some familiar, some perhaps surprising – and see a winsome toddler develop into a symbol of the nation.

The society's meetings which are held at 8pm in St Saviour's hall on the first Tuesday of each month. Visitors are most welcome at all our events

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



NEW BOOK NOW AVAILABLE FROM HAGLEY HISTORICAL AND FIELD SOCIETY

Hagley Historical and Field Society's research group have put together a book which covers many of the fundamental historical facts about Hagley parish over the period 1820 to 2020, including Blakedown when it was included within the parish (up to 1933).

The book is now available, priced at £5, from Jean Atkinson (01562 886549 or 07799 383517 or HHFSociety@gmail.com) or at the society's meetings which are held at 8pm in St Saviour's hall on the first Tuesday of each month.





The helpline is now working again from 10am - 12 midday. Please note though that due to a shortage of volunteers to man the Office, it will only be open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for the foreseeable future!



HAGLEY SCOUT HUT TIMETABLE 2023								
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY			
				Emilie YOGA 10.00-11.00am	Jess PERFORMANCE HUB 8.30-1.00pm			
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EXTENSIONS, ALTERATIONS AND REFURBISHMENTDESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

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It is situated on the northern edge of the playing fields and recreation area (sometimes called 'The Park') adjacent to the pedestrian way, which passes through the area to connect the village centre with the rail station and secondary schools and is also close to the Library.

Access to the Community Centre is from Worcester Road via the shopper's car park and the dedicated community centre car park. The building is orientated on an east/west axis with main (south) elevation and primary entrance facing the playing field. This connection is useful when major events are held utilising both the playing field and the community centre. There is a secondary single width entrance in the east elevation facing the car

park giving access to it. This restricted entrance is the most commonly used for convenience on a day to day basis. For many residents of the village the Community Centre is within walking distance.

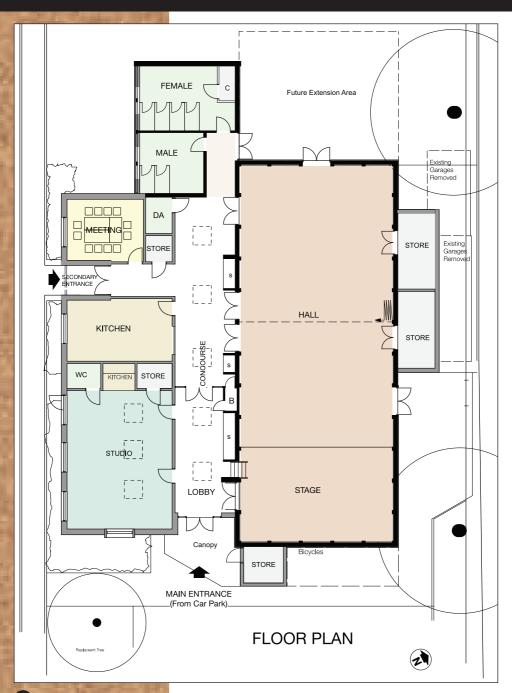
Although the Building has been reasonably well maintained over the years, it is now showing its age and is somewhat 'tired' in appearance with the fabric needing serious updating. Also, the building lacks flexibility in use as it is only really suitable for a single let at any one time.

The Community Association have given lengthy and in depth consideration over the past few years to various options for replacement or rebuild and reached the conclusion that refurbishment and extension was the best option and way forward. A scheme design has been progressed and produced for this and the Community

Association are applying for planning permission to extend and refurbish the centre.



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The proposals are -

Retain part of the existing building: the Hall, Stage and Toilets. To renovate, refurbish and update these areas with new pitched roofs, upgraded thermal insulation and external cladding.

Demolish the remainder and rebuild an extended area to form new Studio, Kitchen and small Meeting Room with a wide concourse between this area and the Hall, which can also be used as exhibition space. The Main Entrance relocated to be from the car park which will improve and maintain level disabled access into all areas of the building. A secondary entrance from the path at the side of the playing field will be provided and will also be suitable for disabled access.

Possible installation of sliding folding divider at mid-point in the Hall to allow dual use.

Additional storage to be added on the north side with access from the Hall.

Installation of solar panels on the main roof.

Upgrading of heating and ventilation system.

Revised car park layout providing 3 more spaces giving a total of 21 spaces including disabled provision, dedicated to the Community Centre. Provision of cycle rack.

Removal of dilapidated garages previously used by Theatre Group for storage.

The proposed extensions will add a further 128 square metres to the overall floor area.

The appearance of the building will be updated and improved as follows –

New pitched roofs of dark grey standing seam zinc finish, with matching fascias, soffits and gutters and rainwater pipes,

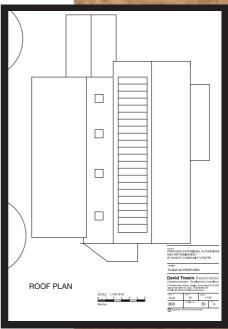
The existing walls and new stores overclad with treated and fire-resistant vertical cedar board.

Aluminium framed, doubled glazed entrance doors and windows, all with integrated security roller shutters coloured coated to match.

Ivory coloured render with anti-graffiti finish to the walls of the new extension.

These proposals will provide additional space, an upgrade of the structure, mechanical and electrical services, building fabric to improve 'green' eco credentials, sustainability and reduction of the carbon footprint and allow greater flexibility in use and letting, revitalising the building to extend the life of the Community Centre in to the next fifty years.

David Trewin - Architect





VILLAGE LADIES

Well, spring has definitely sprung and we are nearly at the first day of summer on June 21st. Hooray!! Looking back to April, on 11th, we heard how Alan Rimmer and his wife chose to spend 'The Grey Gap Year' managing, for a season, a ski chalet in the French Alps. An inspiring story for all over 60's. In complete contrast, on 25th April Andrew Lloyd, a well-known florist from Stourbridge, came to demonstrate his wonderful flower arranging skills. He produced beautiful arrangements with gorgeous flowers and foliage and four lucky raffle ticket winners went home with smiles on their faces nearly as big as the arrangements they carried.

This month, we look forward to 13th June when Phillip Wilkinson will be telling us all about 'Great British Brands'. On 21st June we have an extra treat when we are going on a

trip to Trentham Gardens. Let's hope it's a dry day but not to worry if not as there's plenty to do even if it's pouring. We round off June on 27th when we have 'Our Own Evening'. This is always a very enjoyable meeting with much laughter and chat involved.

If you would like more information about Village Ladies, please ring our leader, Sue, on **885799** or email her at **sue.billington@gmail.com**

Ann Pagett



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The month of April was an active period. Our President Bill Harris gave a presentation at our guest evening about the best cuts and the meet revisiting his memory of how to make do during the war years and its legacy provided to the eating fashion of present day. Next month the club will prepare for the Presidents away Weekend at Dunster in Somerset.

The Rotary Club of Hagley have agreed to support Youth Exchange from which Students learn a new language, discover another culture, and truly become global citizens. Exchanges for students ages 15-19 are sponsored by Rotary clubs in more than 100 countries so if you know a suitable candidate and are prepared to provide accommodation in exchange please contact us to discuss this wonderful opportunity.

The month of April is when we consider Maternal and Child Health especially in these troubled times and our efforts and service to war torn and less privileged parts of the world.

If readers would like to have fun with a purpose, consider joining our club which holds its meeting at 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm on Monday evenings at the Blakedown and Churchill Golf Club.

Alternatively try visiting our website at https://hagleyrotary.wixsite.com/website.The Rotary Club of Hagley in Fellowship with Rotary International Dedicated to Good Health and Happiness for All. Should anybody require help or assistance or just a friendly phone call during a period of confinement

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WALTON DISTRICT GIRLGUIDING

After a short break for Easter Girlguiding units have embraced the lighter nights getting out and about for Bluebell Walks and practising their football skills in the park ready for the Girlguiding focus on football in 2024. 2nd Hagley Rainbows have begun to work towards the Brilliant Bees Challenge badge. 2nd Hagley Brownies enjoyed a talk from the RLNI about water safety and 3rd Hagley Brownies and 1st Hagley Guides have both enjoyed nights painting pottery at Coffee and Clay.

All units have done something to celebrate the King's Coronation and at the time of writing we are looking forward to being involved in the village celebrations at the Party in the Park. Blakedown Rainbows, Brownies and Guides have contributed to decorating Blakedown Parish Church for the Coronation.

We are thrilled that two members of 1st Hagley Rangers have been selected to be part of the INTOPS programme for 2024. Both girls attended a section weekend in Malvern. They will be travelling to Mexico to be volunteers representing Girlguiding working on a turtle sanctuary. They will be looking for sponsorship and doing lots of fundraising in the months ahead. Well done Grace and Annie.

We are pleased to have welcomed some new volunteers to Girlguiding in Hagley over the past few weeks. If you are interested in joining us as a volunteer there is training and support available for everyone who volunteers. If you are new to the area becoming part of our local Girlguiding family is a great way to meet people.

Rachel Coton - District Commissioner



HAGLEY STRING ORCHESTRA

Jean-Philippe Rameau (1683-1764) was a French opera composer and contemporary with both JS Bach and Handel. He became famous during the reign of Louis XV, composing pieces for the keyboard. We are playing a string arrangement of Rameau's Second Concert of four movements in G major for three equal violin parts with viola and bass.

Way back in 1965, I was lucky to be invited to play viola for a staged production of Rameau's opera Hippolytus and Aricia at Birmingham University Barber Institute, the young cast headed by Dame Janet Baker, memorable in the tragic role of Phaedra, Theseus's second wife, who kills herself after falling in love with her stepson Hippolytus. I remember arriving early for a performance and hearing Janet Baker singing her 'warm-up' exercises – wonderful memories!

The history books tell us that Rameau was a tall, thin man with a raucous voice 'a walking organ-pipe'! The music he wrote, however, is immediately attractive to both performers and audiences

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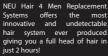


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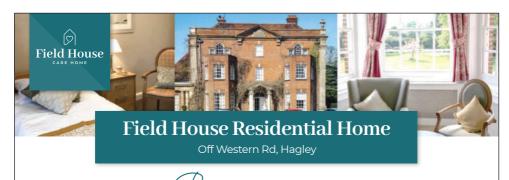
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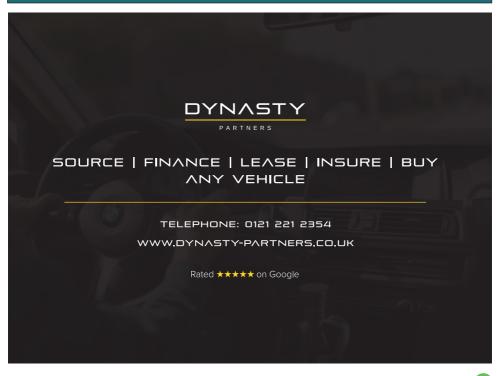
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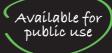
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HAGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Welcome everyone to what will be regular Community Centre updates. You may know that I have recently been accepted as the new chairman of the Community Association. I'm honoured to be following in the footsteps of some very dedicated and committed people in this role, including most recently Roger Seabury who has stepped down after many years in the chair. Roger has accepted the prestigious position of President.

My meetings have been to get to understand the workings of the Association and what are the pressures that the centre faces. Over the coming months we will be reviewing a few things including the website and the future refurbishment of the centre building itself. The community centre is strategically in the centre of the village and plays an important part in community cohesion. Its affiliated members regularly use the centre and bring large groups of people together. The relationship between the affiliated groups and the centre is very important and I hope to be able to meet these groups as soon as possible. The Village News is also a very important part of the Community Centre's activities and praise should be heaped upon Alison (Editor) for her continued magnificent work in producing the VN, every month to over 3,000 households. The revenues received from the advertisements are an essential part of the income stream for the centre.

Each month I'll be bringing you updates, so please look out for them. I would welcome any feedback that you might have.

Steve Colella - Chairman Hagley Community Association

HAGLEY COMMUNITY MARKET

The 2nd Village market continued the success of the launch market with over 600 people visiting us during the morning. The hall was full of recognised faces as well as some different independent traders. We hope to bring a selection of different traders each month as well as some of the regular local produce and services. The feedback continued to be positive, and we hope to build further on this with the introduction of a summer extension either on the community centre carpark or the playing fields as well as maintaining the indoor market stalls. As way of a reminder the members of the Community Market are volunteers and the

proceeds from the market stall pitch fees go to the repair and maintenance of the community centre itself. We also hope that by having independent traders come to the market not only supports them but helps bring people into Hagley and take the opportunity to shop in our brilliant 'High street'.

Lookout for the next Community Market on 27th May - we plan to have additional stalls outside on the community centre carpark. We look forward to welcoming you there.

Steve Colella - Chairman Community Market Group

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP (PPG) HAGLEY DOCTOR'S SURGERY

The group welcomed two new members to our last meeting which was attended by a senior Hagley Surgery clinician and the surgery management team.

High on the agenda was the continuing issues with the Pharmacy and the difficulties being experienced. We discussed the matter fully and were informed that the surgery has been in contact with the Pharmacist's regional manager in respect of the reoccurring issues. As a group we agreed that we too will be contacting the Pharmacist's head office as well as the regional NHS Pharmacy support.

The discussions with the surgery management also highlighted that the spring Covid booster vaccination programme had commenced and was progressing well. The surgery has been in

touch with those eligible and appointments with the nursing team have been made. A very enlightening discussion was had with the surgery management team in respect of the continued pressure from new patients as well the issues that the surgery would face from increased housing growth and what affect that might have on the surgery in Hagley.

The group are keen to be kept up to date with how the practice is managing against the many performance indicators it must report on. It was agreed that the group would receive regular performance output indicators.

Steve Colella - PPG Chairman



TUESDAY TEA CLUB

The Tuesday tea club is enjoyed by a group of ladies and is run by a team of willing volunteer helpers who are finding it difficult to put out the tables and chairs. Is there was anyone in the village who would be prepared to help. We meet in the Free Church Hall on the first and third Tuesdays of the month and would need the tables and chairs putting out at around 1:30. It would take about 15 minutes.

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Angela 07512 546480



HAGLEY COUNTRY DANCERS

May, of course, was dominated by the King's coronation, and with the additional Monday holidays we only met twice during the month. However, June is a full month for us with four Mondays for dancing before we break for the summer in July with our traditional garden party in the middle of the month. It is most encouraging to see new members joining each term, and particularly encouraging that they stay with us. Numbers can be lower than normal during the summer months as people take their holidays, but we always have sufficient to make an enjoyable afternoon. There is plenty of parking via Chapel Street. There is no charge for a first visit, subsequently the cost is £3.50 per person. For more information, ring June Waterhouse, **01562 700639**

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The University of the 3rd Age is a nation-wide organisation run by volunteers on a local basis. No qualifications are required and there are no exams. Members draw upon their knowledge and experience to teach and to learn from each other...for pleasure and to stay alert! At our last AGM it was decided to halve the annual membership fee to £12.50 and we welcome all from the surrounding area to take part in a varied programme of courses and events. Full meetings are held in St Saviours on the first Wednesday of every month, 1.30 for 1.45. Refreshments are provided; visitors (and new members) are always welcome. On 7 June Chris O' Grady

will talk about Antiques. 7 July is reserved for our Summer Party. We have also arranged an outing to the fascinating Stonehouse Cottage Garden in Stone at 2.00 on 29 June

Stay up-to-date too by keeping an eye on our website at **https://u3asites.org.uk/hagley/** welcome For enquiries, contact our Chair, Jane Mottram **(01562 888219)**, or our Membership Secretary, Ian Powick **(883822)**.



HAGLEY CAMERA CLUB

We are one of the smaller, more relaxed camera clubs welcoming everyone from beginner to seasoned enthusiast to take part in a varied program of interesting photography activities including guest speakers, studio and practical nights (still life and models), location shoots, club outings, member presentations, competitions (internally and against other clubs), tuition and appraisal evenings, workshops and much more.

Our Diary for the month of June starts with our 'open' print competition meaning members can enter prints in any category to gain points towards our annual awards. We continue with an outdoor model evening with members gaining more experience in portraiture followed by an editing evening where we will delve into the world of Photoshop. There are potential works going on at our meeting venue so our diary for the month could be a little 'fluid.' Please do make contact beforehand if you are thinking

of coming along to ensure the club meeting is at the venue on a particular date. We hope 'normal business will be resumed shortly'.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

Contact us **chair@hagleycameraclub.co.uk** or just come along to St Margaret's Church, 123 Hagley Road, Hasbury, Halesowen B63 4QD on Tuesday evenings from 8.00pm. Try us out as a 'no-obligation' visitor for a few weeks then if we suit you sign up as a member to enjoy all the benefits. Further details: Keith Hunter **07920 740943** website: **www.hagleycameraclub.co.uk Facebook: Hagley camera club**



ART CLUB

So, we're galloping apace towards the summer with our programme starting in June with An Introduction to Landscapes in Acrylics with Adrian Clamp. Adrian came to us last year showing us how to develop a portrait in charcoal, so this is bound to be as impressive.

We had our second "sketch out" at the end of April on a glorious sunny day at Lakeside, Withymoor, hosted by Hazel Gilliard, with beautiful views of the lake and glorious grassy mounds and daisies, accompanied by mallards and squawking Canadian Geese.

Next "Sketch Out" Saturday June 24th venue and times to be posted on Facebook

And remember if for some reason you find yourself having to visit Russells Hall Hospital, be encouraged by the club's exhibition in the main corridor from 14th May until 12th June.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

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extensive grounds too with its own very large chapel which is attached to the house so that staff could easily go to it without the need to go outside.

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Toni Allison



THE ARTS SOCIETY - STOURBRIDGE

Our Society's lecture in June is the last one of our2022/23 season. It takes place as usual in Stourbridge Town Hall on Thursday morning the 15th at 11.00 lasting one hour. The subject is the genius of Ivor Novello described by our speaker, John Snelson, in his title as "Much more than gathering lilacs..." John has been fascinated by musicals all his life and is now a leading expert in British musical theatre (the subject of his PhD). You are welcome as usual to join us on the 15th June. To find out more details please contact

Neill Robb either on **07484 830487** or email to **neillrobb@btinternet.com** preferably by the 12th June or earlier. Our 2023/24 season kicks off in September so watch this space!



PILATES AT THE HAGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

These are daytime classes for those that would like to start participating in a weekly exercise class of Pilates. There will be two new classes opening, a beginners and an intermediate class, both classes will first and foremost concentrate on the principles of Pilates. Paying particular attention to body posture, exercise technique, quality of movement and correct breathing technique.

Week by week participants will gain body strength though the core muscles, and all other major muscle groups of the body. An increase in flexibility and range of movement through joints will be experienced enabling participants to achieve a better posture, and

a reduction in stiffness. All exercises carry adaptations of movement when needed, allowing all participants to perform the exercises, no matter what their personal strength and abilities may be. Pilates exercise sessions carry all the usual benefits of exercise both physiologically and psychologically for the individual participant.

Classes will be held on Tuesdays, Intermediates from 10am til 11am and Beginners from 11.30am til 12.30pm. To find out more information and to ask any questions you may have related to the class, please text or call Wayne on **07969 797709**

HAGLEY VILLAGE ALLOTMENTS

Welcome to June! It's a key month on the gardeners calendar as it signifies the midpoint of the year: End of spring, and the beginning of Summer.....Hooray! Here are a few jobs for June, for those keen green fingers;

Continue to spread mulches such as garden compost, bark chippings and my favourite, Grass clippings! Not only will they help in suppressing those weeds but also help to delay evaporation, if the earth is dampened before you apply.

Keep up with watering little and often, rather than a good soak once or twice a week. Little and often promotes good root growth and structure as the roots will dig deeper in the hunt for damp soil.

Net over your soft fruits, peas, cabbages and other brassicas....The pigeons won't think to leave you any of your wonderful efforts;-)

The longest day of the year is on the 21st and with that comes more hours of glorious sunlight and steadily rising temperatures. Fingers crossed!

For those at home gardeners and struggle with the onslaught attack from slugs, a few ingredients from the kitchen cupboard maybe of service....First off is Garlic granules. A healthy sprinkle around the base of your plants and beds at regular intervals will help but my favourite is a homemade garlic spray. Peel and chop a handful of garlic cloves and infuse in tap water for around a week. Strain and transfer to a spray bottle. Liberally on an evening, give the base of your plants especially those hostas, a good spray. Reuse your already chopped up cloves and infuse for your next batch.

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HAGLEY WI

Who can believe we are halfway through the year? Summer is here.... The days are getting longer. June gives us blue skies and allowing us to spend more time outdoors, whether it's walking more or sitting in the garden.

At Hagley WI we are looking forward to a gettogether for a walk through Wyre Forest then enjoying having lunch together afterwards. Time spent with friends is special.

Friendship is what Hagley WI is all about.

We are all different with varied interests, but we have friendships in abundance and our aim is to help nourish and grow them.

Hagley Village market is proving to be a huge success and the WI Ladies are happy to be a part of it. After you've browsed round the market, I'm sure you're all ready to sit down with a cuppa with a lovely slice of homemade cake, so put your bags down and let our ladies look after you.

This month Nicola Capel from Our Village Green, who you all know from Hagley Village Market is coming along to talk to us about her Eco-Friendly Products and how her products help our environment. Something that is becoming more and more important for us and generations to come.

If you would like to come and visit us, no obligation, we meet at Hagley Community Centre Monday June 12th.

If you would like to know more get in touch Judi Priest, **judipriest1@gmail.com**





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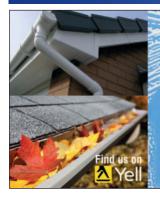


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HAGLEY PROBUS CLUB

At our meeting held on Monday 24 April, members and their guests were all at sea as they were regaled by a former serving member of the crew, Charge Petty Officer David Rushforth, to stories of life aboard the Royal Yacht Britannia.

A project to replace the previous Royal yacht "Victoria and Albert" was proposed in 1936 but delays caused by the abdication of Edward VIII and the Second World War meant that work on a new ship, christened "Britannia" at launch, did not start until 1947 and was completed in 1953, by which time Queen Elizabeth II was on the throne. The build cost short of £21 million. The Yacht was also capable of serving as a hospital ship, if required. It was crewed by 230 officers and ratings.

Petty Officer David described working life on the yacht and detailed the many voyages made by it and pointed out the revenue generated in acting as a shop window for British industry. Sadly, the yacht was finally decommissioned in 1997 and went on permanent exhibition, open to visitors in the Leith area of Edinburgh.

Hagley Probus is open to retired professional businessmen. If interested, please contact our Hon Secretary, Alan Hess on **07967 590219**



WORDSLEY AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY - WADS

Well, the Vicar has visited and retired to Dibley! It was a great pleasure to bring the committee and their doings to you, and it was wonderful to see so many there. We hope to continue to bring something dramatic your way, more of which anon.

We also had great fun meeting you on the day of the Coronation party at the community centre. We managed to dress up and have a wander, indulging in excellent refreshments and making an impression on the most theatrical way.

Which brings us to the future. Out next venture will be a new version of Frankenstein, in a new version of Mary Shelley's novel by M.A. Edwards. We are looking to stage this in October in time for Hallowe'en – I know it seems rather early to think of the Winter when Summer hasn't properly appeared, but when things have to be created it is best to plan well ahead. It will be staged at Crestwood School in Kingswinford as well as the Community Hall, and we hope that you will join us for this new and exciting theatrical event

Next year sees the centenary of another creation – 2024 sees 100 years of WADS, and we will soon be releasing details of our plans to celebrate this auspicious occasion. We are looking to stage a wide range of plays and events throughout the year to show our talents, and to prepare our way for the next hundred years!

We invite everyone to join us — either as part of our audiences, or on stage with us if you would like to join — all comers are welcome, and if you wish to talk to us about becoming a member, please feel free to contact us either through our Facebook page, our email address wordsleyamdram@outlook.com, or by calling on Liz Green on 01384 270228

Best wishes to you all!

Letty Cropley



HCK BADMINTON CLUB

HCK Badminton Club has re-opened on Tuesdays 8-10 pm as well as continuing our Friday sessions 8-10 pm. We will be offering adult beginners / improvers sessions during the Tuesday slot - a perfect opportunity for anyone looking for a chance to get into the game to have a go in a friendly, informal environment. Experienced players from HCK badminton club will be on hand to provide tips and support as necessary. £7 per person per session or £30 for 5 sessions. Own equipment is not necessary. Please contact Paul in advance for more information on **07731744467**.

The competitive badminton season has finally restarted post covid, with a good win for our mixed team over manor badminton club. We are looking forward to a good season on and off court, with Friday club nights thriving and a number of social events planned.



BLAKEDOWN & HAGLEY TENNIS CLUB

The Club continues to thrive and is looking forward to the start of the Summer League, having performed well in the Winter matches. Each year we enter teams in the Hereford and Worcester League and the Kidderminster League. There are Ladies, Men's and Mixed teams and it's a great way to meet players from other clubs and enjoy competitive tennis played in a friendly spirit. Our Junior payers have been making their presence felt too with 6 year old Harry Allsop being selected for the County Squad and 15 year old Alfie Zimmerman being awarded the John Neale Trophy by the Kidderminster League for his good conduct and sportsmanship. Well done to both of them. We're a very friendly club with social mix-ins

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JUNE: June has its roots in the idea of energy and vitality. It is summer and thoughts of vacation and relaxation are not far away. But do not forget God. He has provided that breath of energy and vitality. He is essential to everything we do. Why not come and experience the renewed energy and vitality of our congregation at Hagley Free Church.

Summer Greetings from all at H.F.C.

BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP Is meeting every Friday 2:30pm in the upstairs room.

FRIDAY COFFEE MORNING 1st Friday of each month in the Church Hall from 10am-12pm. Everyone is welcome.

CHURCH OFFICE Monday, Thursday, Friday: 8.30am - 11.30pm

Contact **07922 508014** or Email: **hfc1905@btinternet.com** for all enquiries and bookings. Visit us at **www.hagley.freechurch.org.uk**

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Committed to Jesus Christ and all too which He calls us

Village Information ...

THE PARISH OF HAGLEY

St John the Baptist with St Saviour's www.hagleycofe.co.uk admin@hagleycofe.co.uk
Tel: 01562 886363
Facebook: search for hagleycofe



WORSHIP AND EVENTS FOR HAGLEY AND CLENT - JUNE 2023

Thursday 1st June: Clent Mothers' Union: Parish Hall at 2.00pm. ALL WELCOME

Sunday 11th June: Music for Sanctuary Concert at St John's 3.00 pm. Music for cello and piano.

Thursday 15th June: Hagley Mothers' Union: St Saviour's at 2.30pm. ALL WELCOME.

Sunday 25th June: The English Trombone concert at St John's 3.00 pm. Tea and Cakes available. Free entry – donations accepted. **https://englishtrombonecon.wixsite.com/info**

Date	10.30am	5.00pm
04th June 2023 Trinity Sunday	Holy Communion at St John's Worship 4 All at St Leonard's	
11th June 2023 St Barnabas	Holy Communion / Sunday Club at St Saviour's Holy Communion at St Leonard's	
18th June 2023 Trinity 2	Holy Communion / Sunday Club at St Saviour's All Together Family Service at St Leonard's	Worship on Zoom
25th June 2023 St John the Baptist	Holy Communion at St John's (Patronal Festival) Holy Communion at St Leonard's	

Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to enquire about a baptism or wedding, would like to be sent the link to join worship on Zoom, receive our church magazine "Contact" or weekly Pewsheet (details as above).

There is a said service of Holy Communion in St Leonard's at 10.30 am on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday each month, and in St Saviour's at 10.30 am every Thursday.







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ST JOHN'S BELLRINGING

The sound of church bells across the countryside is very reassuring sound. We continue to ring with as many ringers as we have available, although at times it can be difficult to get the numbers. We are always looking to recruiting new ringers, so if you are interested then please do get in touch.

Richard Scarth, Tower Captain of St John's Tel: 07768 273545

Email: hagleyringers@gmail.com



TODDLER GROUPS - parents/guardians stay

MONDAY

STAY & PLAY 0-5 Romsley Scout Hut 9:30-11.00am Call Laura 07525 476339

BOUNCE & RHYME 0-2 Hagley Library 10-10.30am and 11-11.30am Email: halib@worcestershire.gov.uk

THURSDAY

STAY & PLAY 0-5 Churchill Villlage Hall 9:30-10:30am and 10:45-11:45am Call Laura 07525 476339

LITTLE TREASURES

Hagley Community Centre 10.00-11.30am

STORYTRAIN Hagley Library 10-10.30am Email: halib@worcestershire.gov.uk

WEDNESDAY

TODDLERS

Hagley Free Church 9:30-11:15am Call Zsuzsi 07852749268

BOUNCE & RHYME 0-2

Hagley Library 2.15-2.45pm

Email: halib@worcestershire.gov.uk

FRIDAY

RAINBOW STAY & PLAY 0-5

Conkers (next to Hagley kindergarten) 9:30-11:15am

Email: Zsuzsi at zsuzsannatandy@gmail.com

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HAGLEY LIBRARY

We have lots of exciting children's activities at the library for your little ones. Bounce & Rhyme is for babies and children age 0-2 years on Mondays 10-10.30am and 11-11.30am. We also run a session on a Wednesday 2.15-2.45pm. Active Tots is for children age 2-4 years on Mondays 2.15-2.45pm. All sessions are Term time only and involve rhymes, songs, puppets, musical instruments and fun! Storytrain is for children age 2-5 years on Thursdays 10-10.30am. Come and listen to a fun story and make a simple craft to take home. Lego Club is for children age 5 years and above and runs every Friday 2.30-3.30pm, come and make a Lego creation linked to a weekly theme. All our activities are FREE and run term time only, apart from Storytrain and Lego Club which run through

the school holidays too. Please book a place by emailing halib@worcestershire.gov.uk or phoning us on 01905 822722 or popping into the library. We also have a great selection of books for readers young and old, you can browse our catalogue on our website at:www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries and order books for collection, renew your books online and have access to many online resources, including our popular e-books and magazines. The library offers free computer use and we have a printing service too, 15p for a black and white printout, 50p for a colour. Our friendly staff and volunteers are always happy to help you, so pop down to your local community library, we look forward to seeing you soon!

THE HAGLEY LIBRARY HEALTHY WALKING GROUP

The Hagley Library Healthy Walking Group: Want to get more active and socialise at the same time? Then we're here to help! Walking is a great way to get fit and explore what's on your doorstep. Our friendly group meets in the library on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10.30am. We now have a new Walk Leader to take you on some lovely one-hour long walks around the local area. Our next walks in the new year are:

1st & 15th MARCH • 5th & 19th APRIL • 3rd & 17th MAY • 7th & 21st JUNE • 5th & 19th JULY 2nd & 16th AUGUST • 6th & 20th SEPTEMBER • 4th & 18th OCTOBER • 1st & 15th NOVEMBER 6th & 20th DECEMBER. **We look forward to seeing you!**

EVENING READING GROUP AT HAGLEY LIBRARY

Do you enjoy reading and like to talk about books? Would you like to join a reading group but cannot attend a meeting during the day? Following on from the success of our monthly daytime reading group we are looking into doing an evening one as well if there is the demand! We have had some enquiries about

it already so if you would be interested in joining let us know. You can register your interest by coming into the library to give us your details, call us on **01905 822722** or email: **HagleyLib@worcestershire.gov.uk** and ask to be put through to the library **HAPPY READING!**

LOCAL COUNCILLOR/MP CONTACTS

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LOCAL M.P.: Sajid Javid - Constituency Office	01527 872135
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DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR HAGLEY WEST: Steve Colella	01562 882996
DISTRICT COLINCILLOR FOR HAGI EY FAST: Ruth Lambert	TRC

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AFFILIATED CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

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HAGLEY CAMERA CLUB: Keith Hunterkeith	
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HAGLEY CRICKET CLUB: Steve Plant, Neil Hurst, 56 Winds Point, Hagley DY9 9BM	
HAGLEY GUIDES, BROWNIES, RAINBOWS: Rachel Cotonrachel.hagleyran	5 5
HAGLEY HELPLINE:	
HAGLEY HISTORICAL & FIELD SOCIETY: Rachel Paget, 36 Western Road, Hagley	
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HAGLEY THEATRE GROUP: Sue Dean, 38 Kidderminster Road, Hagley DY9 0QD	
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