

HAGLEY YILLAGE NEWS

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JUBILEE EDITION

THE JOURNAL OF THE HAGLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

THE JUBILEE OAK

Some old Hagley Parish Magazines record the celebration of Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee on Tuesday 21st June 1887 - a day of brilliant sunshine, we are told.

The first event was a Procession, headed by a brass band, followed by 160 children and 'a large number of parish-ioners', from the corner of Stourbridge Road via the Lyttelton Arms to St John's Church.

After the service the Procession, or part of it, still headed by the brass band, marched back to the Lyttleton Arms for dinner. Present was a Mr John Dulson who could remember the last Golden jubilee in 1810, the 50th anniversary of the reign of George III! The Children, 170 of them, were fed later at the Hall Barn (part of Hagley Hall Stables) and the women ate even later 'a substantial meal of cold meat, bread and butter, cake and tea'.

Sports and dancing on the cricket ground were followed at 10pm by a joint Hagley-Clent bonfire on Clent Hills. Similar bonfires could be seen all round.

One event with lasting effect was the planting of the Jubilee Oak by Lady Lyttelton. As she said, 'it is probably the only living thing which will still be alive at the next Jubilee'. The tree can indeed be seen, from the end of the churchyard. Look beyond the stream, over to the left: there is a tablet at the foot commemorating the event, but take a pair of binoculars to read it!

Jean Pritchard Hon Parish Archivist

How about planting another oak to commemorate *this* Jubilee? Write to me with your ideas.

Editor.



GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Saturday 1st June

HAGLEY HELPLINE

The celebration starts with a lunch and entertainment organised by Hagley Helpline. 12.30 for 1pm. Tickets £6.50 available from the Helpline Office, St Saviour's Church between 10am-12noon each weekday. Numbers limited.

Sunday 2nd June

SONGS OF PRAISE

3pm on the Playing Field (if weather is wet then in the Community Centre). The programme consists of popular Hymns with themed readings between. The Salvation Army Band (Blackheath) will accompany.

CENTRAL ENGLAND ENSEMBLE - A ticket event

5pm Sunday in the Community Centre. A programme featuring Symphony No 2 by Andrew Downes and supported with works by Mozart and Vivaldi. Soloist Paula Downes, Conductor Anthony Bradbury: Leader Anna Downes. Contact Anna Downes 0121 426 1604

HAGLEY THEATRE GROUP

Performance commences at 7.30p.m. in the Community Centre. A two-part Production. Youth Section with a Cabaret followed after an interval by the Adult Section in 'A *Review of Kings and Queens*'. Tickets £4 from the usual village shops - Paddocks Butcher, Spar, Flowers & Gifts, Co-Op pharmacy. Contact Pauline Lewis 01384 390311. Performance should finish about 9.30pm.

Throughout the event tea and refreshments will be available by the Hagley WI and others.

Please sign the Jubilee Book kindly presented by Lord & Lady Cobham to mark this historic occasion.

Monday 3rd June (Jubilee Day)

Activities throughout the day by Affiliated Groups commencing at 11am. For full programme of today's events see page 22.

ROYAL VISIT CINEMA in the Community Centre - 2/3 showings throughout the day.

HEARTSTART DEMONSTRATION by Geoffrey Gough

BRAN TUB for children organised by the Hagley Young Wives' & Women's Fellowship

HAGLEY ROTARY CLUB Events for children on the field.

CHILDREN'S VICTORIAN PROJECT. A joint presentation with the Hagley Historical Society and pupils at the Middle School. Contact Mrs Irene Oliver 885964.

JUBILEE PAPER PLATE DESIGNS on display in the Community Centre, prepared by children at the First School.

EVENING CABARET SHOW in the Community Centre

An entertaining evening by Bruce Thompson. Commencing at 7.30pm and finishing at the time of the Firework Display. A ticket event, proceeds to a Charity for seriously ill and terminally ill children, STARLIGHT Children's Foundation.

FIREWORK DISPLAY AT ABOUT 10pm according to the limit of darkness. The Fireworks are by courtesy of the Hagley Parish Council.

In addition to the above there will be various static displays by local organisations which will be on show throughout the 3 days..

DESIGN A CROWN COMPETITION

Something for children to do and Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles to wear on the Monday. Prizes for the best child up to 10, and up to 14 and adults at any age. There may be other items which have yet to be arranged.

Here's an opportunity to celebrate a Royal and National event.



QUEEN'S GOLDEN JUBILEE

More detail is available about the Celebration promoted by the HAGLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY JUNE 1st and 2nd Programme as already published.

MONDAY JUNE 3rd

A demonstration team of Dog Training by Westglen Canine Centre in the afternoon at 3p.m. on the playing fields.

Royal Visit Cinema - Film taken when the Queen visited Hagley 23rd April 1957 with some extracts from Mrs Nock's Diary at the time and some film of the Silver Jubilee Celebration. There will 2-3 showings during Monday afternoon in the Community Centre.

For the children there is Face-painting as well as the Lucky-dip Bran Tub.

Late afternoon the Hagley Rotary will be running a continuing Barbecue.

Teas and refreshments by the W.I. in the Community Centre. Ice Creams available.

7.30p.m. Bruce Thompson and Maralyn Heathcock in an entertainment 'STARSNIGHT FOR STARLIGHT' in aid of the 'Starlight Children's Foundation' in the Community Centre. A varied programme for all the family. Tickets see below.

The celebration will close with a FIREWORK DISPLAY at 10p.m. on the playing fields on Monday night. Please do come and support the local clubs and organisations that are planning events to mark the occasion.

Price of tickets for performances available from Chairman, Gordon Shaw 882530, Alan Pritchard 882973, certain shops in the village or at the door.

Central England Ensemble £6.00 - concessions and young people £4.00 Hagley Theatre Group productions £4.00 'Starsnight for Starlight'

Entertainment £5.00 - concessions & young persons £3.00

A.Pritchard

CONTACT JUNE 2002

MONDAY 3rd JUNE

Various Displays:

Dog training demonstration:

Heart start:

Children's Lucky Dip Bran Tub:

Face painting:

Refreshments:

'ROYAL VISIT' CINEMA

in the Community Hall

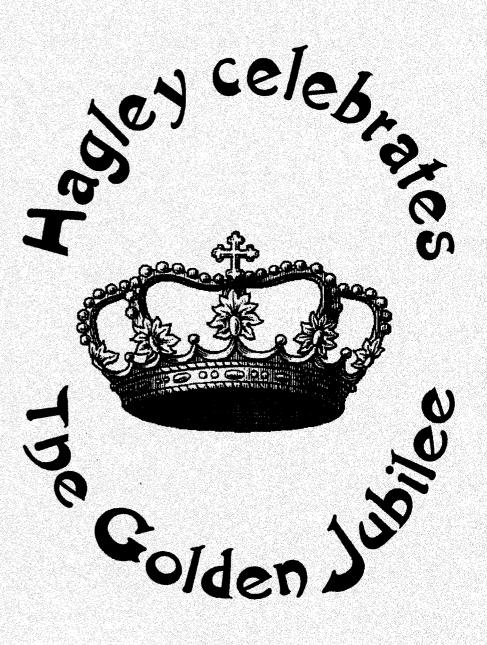


Entertainment on stage with Bruce
Thompson and Marilyn Heathcock in
aid of Starlight Children's Foundation
Tickets £5 and £3
Contact 882530 and 882973

WE FINISH THE CELEBRATION
WITH A FIREWORK DISPLAY ON
THE FIELD ON THE MONDAY
NIGHT

Alan Britchard





The Queen's Golden Jubilee

Come on Hagley join the Celebrations!

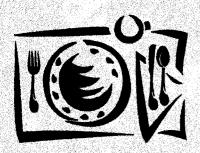
We are having a three day celebration in Hagley promoted by the Hagley Community Association with Hagley Parish Council and a number of Affiliated Clubs and Groups so please give it your support.



SATURDAY 1st JUNE

MEMORABILIA DISPLAY IN THE HALL FOYER

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT by the Flower Arrangement Society



HELPLINE LUNCH and
ENTERTAINMENT
Tickets at £6.50
From the Helpline Office

SUNDAY 2nd JUNE

SONGS OF PRAISE ON THE
PLAYING FIELD at 3 pm
accompanied by the Salvation
Army Band from Blackheath.
There are themed readings between the Hymns. If wet in the
Community Centre.

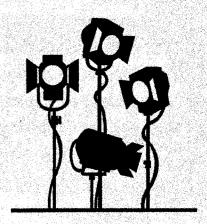


At 5 pm THE CENTRAL
ENGLAND ENSEMBLE with
the Downes family.
Tickets £6 and £4 from
882530, 882973 and some shops



Drama in the evening at 7 pm
With HAGLEY THEATRE
GROUP A two-part production:
the Youth section and Adult
Section.

Tickets from the usual shops



The Central England Ensemble

Violin I

Anna Downes - Leader

Charlie Horton Katrina Bailey

Chris Dakin

Rich Martin Mike Johnson

Paula Downes

Violin 2

Richard Laing Claire Garner

Andrew Birdsall Cynthia Downes Gemma Calder

Viola

Deborah Dickens **Alison Smart**

Paul Evans Chris Orton

Cello

Janet Lindsay Julie Robertson

Graham Morris

Louise Hey

Katie Pickford

Double Bass Pauline Leigh

Helen Andrews

Orchestral Fixer - Claire Beckett; Secretary - Janet Lindsay;

Programmes/'Friends of CEE' coordinator - Claire Stevenson

Flute

Emma Hillier Sarah Johnson

Obne

Natasha Wilson Hazel Wright

Clarinet Tonia Price

Gary Price

Bassoon Sarah Gibson

Jo Coombes

Horn

Claire Beckett Phil Dawes

Trumpet

Ian Hattersley Jo Hattersley

Timpani

Geoffrey Piddock

Harpsichord Katie Pickford

Committee: - Chair/Orchestral Manager - Anna Downes; Treasurer - Deborah Dickens; Tickets - Julie Robertson;





leader: Anna Downes

Conductor: ANTHONY BRADBURY

GOLDEN JUBILEE CONCERT

Mozart

Overture to 'The Marriage of Figaro'

Vivaldi

'Nulla in Mundo Pax Sincera'

soprano soloist: PAULA DOWNES

Andrew Downes

Symphony No.2

Sunday June 2nd, 5pm at Hagley Community Centre

Tickets £6 (£4 concessions) from: (01562) 886625 / 882973 / or 882530

The Central England Ensemble

The Central England Ensemble was established in February 2001 by postgraduate musicians living and working in the Midlands. The group's main objective is to support the work of contemporary composers from Birmingham and its surrounding area. It hopes to raise the profile of living composers in the region and showcase their music throughout the wider community.

In its launch concert, the CEE performed Andrew Downes' Symphony No.2, and they will give their second performance of this work in the Jubilee Concert here today.

The orchestra has also performed works by Nathan Rose, David Fanshawe and James Langley. Works by Christopher Orton and John Joubert are to feature in future concerts.

The Ensemble has about 60 members, the majority are undergraduate and postgraduate musicians. They rehearse at Aston University.

The CEE would like to hear from performers, conductors or composers who wish to be involved in the work of the orchestra. They are also looking for possible sponsors for their future concerts. (Please contact Anna Downes on 0121 426 1604 or 07967 728 588)

The Orchestra is delighted to have **Anthony Bradbury** as Principal Guest Conductor. Anthony is from Clent, a former student of Haybridge High School, King Edward VI College, Stourbridge, and Brasenose College Oxford. He is also Music Director of the Midland Youth Orchestra and Associate Conductor of the Birmingham Festival Choral Society. For his services to music, he was awarded the Christian Salvesen Baton Award in 1995.

Programme Notes:

Overture - Le Nozze di Figaro Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Le Nozze di Figaro, after being drafted in only six weeks, received its first performance in Vienna on May 1st 1786, with Mozart conducting from the harpsichord. The famous overture, which was written last (just two days before the premiere), does not quote any material from the opera at all. And yet with its zestful and spirited rhythms and melodies, it sets the mood for the dazzling comedy that is about to unfold.

Nulla in mundo pax sincera. Motet for soprano and strings. Antonio Vivaldi (c.1676-1741)

This Motet consists of two arias enclosing a short recitative and rounded off by an Alleluia. In the first aria, the singer acknowledges to Jesus that in the midst of life's torments the only hope of true peace lies in Him. The recitative and second aria warn of the specious beauty of the world in which superficial and poisonous pleasures seek to deceive us.

Soprano soloist, **Paula Downes**, is a former pupil of the Hagley schools and a graduate from Trinity College Cambridge, where she was a choral scholar. She sang as soloist with Trinity Choir both abroad and on CD, and she regularly gives solo recitals and sings solo roles in opera and oratorios. She is to take up a post as music teacher at South Hampstead High School for Girls in September and hopes also to pursue a career as a singer. Paula has recorded on CD 3 Song Cycles by her father, Andrew Downes.*

Symphony No 2

Andrew Downes (1950-)

Andrew Downes was born in Birmingham and has lived in Hagley for 21 years. He studied composition at Cambridge University and at the Royal College of Music, and is now Head of Composition at Birmingham Conservatoire. He has now composed over 80 works, the latest of which, a Concerto for 4 French Horns and Orchestra, was premiered by the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra in the Dvorak Hall, Prague, in February. Several of Andrew's works have been recorded on CD.*

Symphony No.2 was composed in 1984 for the Sutton Coldfield Chamber Orchestra. It has since received several performances in England and also in Germany. It has 3 movements. A pastoral theme on flutes opens the work. Then, excited, rhythmic music, alternating with dream-like sections, characterise the first movement. The middle movement is a scherzo, which begins busily, but is full of dramatic and dynamic contrasts, ending on a quiet note. The finale opens with a plaintive melody on horn, joined by trumpet. There is grand chorale of brass with a sustained and dramatic string accompaniment, a melancholy passage on strings, a fanfare-like climax, and a quiet and tender close.

*CDs of Andrew Downes' music will be on sale after this concert.

Profits from copies sold in Hagley will go to Mary Stevens Hospice.

SONGS OF PRAISE

To celebrate the Queen's Golden Jubilee Hagley Recreation Ground

2nd June 2002



Order of Service

Songs of Praise

Celebrating Citizenship and Community Life

Welcome and Introduction By a long-standing resident of Hagley.

THE PAST: GIVING THANKS

Opening Prayer

First Hymn:

Now thank we all our God

- Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
- O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given, the Son and him who reigns with them in highest heaven, the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

THE PAST: REGRETS AND FAILURES

Footprints in the Sky

Read by a representative of the local business community

Second Hymn:

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

- Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways!
 Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper rev'rence praise, in deeper rev'rence praise.
- 2. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word, rise up and follow thee, rise up and follow thee.
- O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
 O calm of hills above,
 where Jesus knelt to share with thee
 the silence of eternity,
 interpreted by love!
 Interpreted by love!

- 4. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace, the beauty of thy peace.
- 5. Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind and fire, O still small voice of calm!
 O still small voice of calm!

THE PRESENT: CELEBRATING COMMUNITY LIFE AND SERVICE

Do not be afraid (based on Isaiah 43:1-5)
Read by a representative of the Community Association

Third Hymn: Brother, sister, let me serve you

- 1. Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.
- We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow trav'llers on the road, we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

- I will hold the Christlight for you in the night-time of your fear;
 I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
- 4. I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you. I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.
- 5. When we sing to God in heaven we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.
- 6. Brother, sister, let me serve you, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

Psalm 50 (a paraphrase by Leslie F Brandt) Read by a local teacher

Fourth Hymn: The Servant King

 From heav'n you came, helpless babe, entered our world, your glory veiled; not to be served but to serve, and give your life that we might live.

> This is our God, the Servant King, he calls us now to follow him, to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the Servant King.

- There in the garden of tears, my heavy load he chose to bear; his heart with sorrow was torn, 'Yet not my will but yours,' he said.
- 3. Come see his hands and his feet, the scars that speak of sacrifice, hands that flung stars into space to cruel nails surrendered.
- So let us learn how to serve, and in our lives enthrone him; each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving.

THE PRESENT: OUR NEED FOR RENEWAL

A Fable by Aesop (presented by The Way) Read by our young people.

Fifth Hymn: It's me, O Lord

It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer. It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

 Not my brother or my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer. Not my brother or my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

- Not my mother or my father, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer. Not my mother or my father, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.
- 3. Not the stranger or my neighbour, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer. Not the stranger or my neighbour, but it's me, O Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

THE FUTURE: HAVING A VISION

"Leisure" by William Henry Davies 1871-1940 Read by a Parish Councillor.

Sixth Hymn: Love divine, all loves excelling

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesu, thou art all compassion, pure unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

- 2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast; let us all in thee inherit, let us find thy promised rest. Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be; end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
- 3. Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy grace receive; suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above; pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
- 4. Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee. Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

The Terminus by David Adam Read by a doctor.

Seventh Hymn: Shine, Jesus, shine

 Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring us, shine on me, shine on me. Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

- Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance; by the blood I may enter your brightness, search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.
- 3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness so our faces display your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored here may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me.

THE FUTURE: DEDICATION

Philippians 4:4-8
Read by a High School pupil.

Eighth Hymn: Lord, for the years

1. Lord for the years
your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us,
cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us,
pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years,
we bring our thanks today.

- 2. Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us, speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze, teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us: Lord of the word, receive your people's praise.
- 3. Lord, for our land in this our generation, spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care: for young and old, for commonwealth and nation, Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.
- 4. Lord, for our world;
 when we disown and doubt you,
 loveless in strength,
 and comfortless in pain,
 hungry and helpless,
 lost indeed without you:
 Lord of the world,
 we pray that Christ may reign.
- 5. Lord for ourselves; in living pow'r remake us self on the cross and Christ upon the throne, past put behind us, for the future take us: Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Closing Prayers

(to include the Lord's Prayer and the Prayer of St Francis)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love: where there is injury, pardon: where there is doubt, faith: where there is darkness, light: where there is despair, hope, and where there is sadness, joy.

Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Act of Dedication

As we come to the end of this thanksgiving service in this time of Golden Jubilee let us dedicate ourselves anew, to the service of God, our nation and our world.

Lord of our lives and God of our salvation, as we celebrate this Golden Jubilee, grant that we may live by your word, and commit ourselves afresh to serve our local community, nation and world for the building up of your kingdom, Father, son and Holy Spirit. Amen.