

HAGLEY VILLAGE NEWS



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HAGLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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EDITORIAL.

The arrangements have been made for the EASTER DANCE to be held by The Community Association on Friday 3rd. April at the Hagley R.C.School.

The programme for the rest of the year is as follows:-

24th. October.	JUMBLE SALE.	30th. October	HALLOWE'EN DANCE.
24th. November.	DANCE.	31st. December	NEW YEARS EVE DANCE.
25th. January.	DINNER DANCE(Lyttelton Hotel).		

These dates can only be provisional, but you will be notified of all the details, in good time, in these pages. The Community Association will also be organising Garden Parties and Bring and Buys during the season.

The Hagley Village News has always been paid for by individual donations and by the Association. We have been 'going to press' for twelve months now. It is proposed to improve the 'News' and invite Business People to take ADVERTISING SPACE. Circulation of the News is 1500 per copy/month throughout the Village, copies also being sent to each Represented Organization and to Members of the Hagley Community Association living outside the Village. (An item we published last month was quoted by the B.B.C.Light Programme). Any person interested in taking advertising space is asked to contact the Editor as soon as possible.

HAGLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION TOTE RESULTS.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Winning Numbers.</u>	<u>Prize.</u>
February 25th.	7 and 9 (4 Winners shared.....)	£5.14.0d.
March 3rd.	11 and 15.	£7.7.6d.
March 10th.	1 and 5.(3 Winners shared.....)	£6.6.0d.
March 17th.	9 and 23.	£6.10.6d.

The prize consists of 49% of collection. The remainder (less a small sum for printing, etc.) goes into the Building Fund. So far a total of £54.4.6d. has been raised for the Building Fund by the Tote.

PROPOSED FORMATION OF RIFLE CLUB.

Will anyone who is interested in Small Bore Rifle Shooting and would like to join the proposed Hagley Rifle Club, please contact Mr. SEAMAN, 10, The Greenway, West Hagley. The Club will be open to anyone (male or female marksmen or novices) over the age of 15 yrs. Mr. Seaman can obtain the use of the ranges at Stourport and Stourbridge and hopes that the Club will be able to enter competitions in the Worcester and National Leagues.

In the interests of Road Safety:

Please use "dipped headlights" in the Village.

HAGLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - AFFILIATED TO THE NATIONAL
FEDERATION OF COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS.

ORGANISATIONS REPRESENTED.

Anglican Young Peoples Association.	British Legion.
Catholic Women's League.	Hagley Coffee Club.
Hagley Conservative Association.	Conservatives, Ladies Section.
Hagley Hockey Club.	Hagley Infant Welfare Clinic.
Hagley Let's Do a Play Club.	Hagley & District Light Car Club.
Hagley Liberal Association.	Hagley Parish Council.
Hagley Parochial Church Council.	Hagley Roman Catholic School.
Hagley Rambler Scouts.	Hagley Women's Institute.
Hagley Wives Group.	West Hagley Youth Association.
Worcestershire County Council.	West Hagley Cricket Club.
United Nations Association (Local Branch)	
West Hagley Football Club.	

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MAY WE INTRODUCE.....

OUR VICE-CHAIRMAN, Mr. W. NICHOLLS.

Bill NICHOLLS is a Yorkshireman and was educated at Leeds Technical High School. He was trained at the Leeds School of Architecture, College of Art, where he qualified as an Architect in 1950. His professional training was interrupted by war service between 1942 and 1946, when he served with the Establishment of Engineer Services.

After completion of his professional training, Bill served on the staffs of Lindsey County Council and Derbyshire County Council over a period of ten years.

Bill and his family came to live in Hagley in 1960, when he joined the staff of Birmingham Regional Hospital Board and he now deals in Hospital building in Birmingham, Worcestershire, Warwickshire and Herefordshire.

His interests are, People, all forms of Motor Sport, Caravanning and boats. He considers himself a fairly good exponent of the art of 'do-it-yourself' and is ably assisted by his two sons aged eleven and seven. Bill's wife Pat informs me that she has to do a fair share of the painting!

Pat NICHOLLS is also interested in People as is shown by the fact that she is the Founder of The Hagley Coffee Club, which meets fortnightly and has a regular attendance of 20 members.

Bill is a Founder Member of the Community Association and besides finding time to draft the plans for the proposed Community Hall he is also Chairman of the Social Committee, which has run many successful functions in the Village.

HAGLEY RAMBLER SCOUTS GROUP.

A very interesting account was given at a recent Scout Meeting by a local Police Officer on the various procedures adopted by the Police to solve crime from the moment a suspicious incident is reported.

An actual crime committed in the district a short time ago formed the basis of the account, and the way in which the various branches of the Police work together, plus the very important role played by the local Policeman, proved that neither 'Z-Cars' nor 'Dixon of Dock Green' have got anything on Hagley. Many questions were posed by the Scouts and answered by our guest after his talk.

The passing of Scout Tests and Badges has been proceeding apace, and the request by a small group of Scouts to take the Speakers Badge resulted in the visit of 'Walter Gabriel of the Archers' to our Headquarters one wet evening to carry out the examination. These Specialist Tests are always conducted by Experts in the subject concerned, hence the visit.

On the more active side, a team was entered in the district Cross Country Competition, but without distinction this year due to the very low average age of our present members.

Friday the 13th. was the evening chosen for a Night Operation there being no moon although we were favoured with a starlit evening. On this evening a number of Hagley residents may have been mystified by strange and suspicious movements around the Village: but we are gratified to hear of one lady who stopped her car to enquire of a youth, sitting on a bank with a trilby hat over his eyes, whether he was alright or needed help. The objects of the exercise were a little complicated, but briefly the scouts had to escape detection by the Scouters and Seniors. The result was that one patrol reached their destination, near Stakenbridge, unscathed, but the other two were less fortunate. Many pre-arranged secret meeting places were necessary in order to literally 'pass the can', hence the rather unusual pattern of routes, and in some cases, pursuits, followed by competing sides.

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VISIT TO THE WESTMINSTER THEATRE.

Just recently, a small party of people from Hagley and Pedmore, joined a special coach from Birmingham to the Westminster Theatre, London to see Peter HOWARDS' moving comedy, 'The Diplomats', with Bryan Coleman, Richard Warner and Phillis Konstam lending distinction to what the 'Daily Express' called, "this high spirited but tough play."

By the support being given to our local Play Groups, there is evidently a real interest in drama in this Village, and many of us are deeply concerned about what is being fed to the country on stage screen and television, and some are rightly protesting and others angered and frustrated by its evil effect on our young people. The real answer is to support a positive alternative and we who saw this play, "The Diplomats", want to strongly recommend it to all our friends for, not only good entertainment, but to see a comedy that will send you out of the theatre with more courage and zest for life than you came in with, and offers insight into how to live in a Nuclear Age.

There is a regular week-end coach from Birmingham to the Westminster Theatre.

Lilian Jones.

LET'S DO A PLAY CLUB.

Last production of the present season,.....

April 22nd., 23rd., 24th., and 25th.

'THE LATE CHRISTOPHER BEAN'

By Emlyn Williams.

IN THE CHURCH HALL.

I feel sure that this light comedy, a complete change of mood from the last play, will provide an evening's enjoyable entertainment. It's original cast included such well known names as Cedric Hardwicke, Edith Evans and Barry K. Barnes.

Thanks to your generous support, £11:17:0d. was donated to the Community Association Building Fund, from the proceeds of our extra performance of 'The Heiress' in February. This encourages us again to give our play for FOUR nights with a hope that, this time, we shall be able to make an even larger contribution to the Community Association from the Wednesday night's performance.

We trust we may have pleasure in welcoming you to one of our performances. Tickets(3/-d) can be obtained from Shops in the Village and from all members.

Joe Adams.

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FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN.

Tractor arrived in MONSERRAT for Sugar Cane Harvest.

Campaign a Happy Inspiration says 'Monserrat Mirror'

The January edition of the 'Monserrat Mirror' voiced the thanks of the people of Monserrat, through the Monserrat Department of Agriculture and the Chief Minister, the Honourable W.H. Bramble for the 'wonderful work carried out by the people of Hagley in providing funds for the tractor in connection with Monserrat Sugar Rehabilitation Project ! Mr. John C. Phillips, Director of Agriculture Monserrat added his thanks in a letter to the Campaign Committee stating, ' It is most appropriate that the two schemes, Sugar Rehabilitation and the Purchase of Tractors should be thus closely linked by the timely arrival of the tractors.'

HAGLEY HISTORICAL AND FIELD SOCIETY.

Mr. Stewart Arnold showed his beautiful slides of the Holy Land at the March Meeting and gave a concise history of the country from the founding of civilisation in Jericho in 4,000 B.C. to the present troublous times. He was accompanied by Mrs. Arnold.

Owing to unforeseen circumstances we are having to postpone 'The Trial of Richard IIIrd' until the Autumn. We shall, however, be holding one of our usual meetings on April 7th. at 7.45 p.m. in the back room of the Church Hall. The Speaker will be Mr. Homery Foulkes, the Secretary of the Stourbridge Archaeological Society, and there will be an exhibition of Book Plates and a Quiz. We shall welcome anyone who is interested.

The Hagley W.I. are running a 'meals on wheels' service to elderly housebound residents in the Village.

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION.

A good number came to the Cheese & Wine Party and ate and drank and talked to their friends. The Guest of Honour was Mr. Michael Hawkin, a member of the U.N. Secretariat, who gave a talk on the Peace Keeping work of the U.N. and chatted with the other guests afterwards. He was asked one or two controversial questions with which he took pains to answer adequately. The financial result of the Party will be announced next month.

HAGLEY CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION.

DINNER AND DANCE.

To be held at the LYTTTELTON HOTEL
on Friday 10th. April, 1964.

Tickets obtainable from Mr. B. R. COOK, 7, Station Drive, West Hagley or any Committee Member.

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FOR SALE.....

In spite of the fact that the advertisement of last month offering a Bird Cage for sale was mentioned on 'B.B.C's ROUNDABOUT', we are informed that this 'desirable residence' has not been sold.

As stated last month, the occupier has indeed left the district and in fact left in so much hurry (a moonlight flit?) that it must be said that the cage is for sale 'furnished'.

Anyone interested in viewing the residence should contact the Editor.

FOR HIRE..... Anyone interested in hiring either the barbecue (suitable for large functions) or the Public address system, which were previously advertised, may also contact the Editor.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE HAGLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION..... Any would be members of the Association should contact the Membership Secretary, Mr. R. F. Willie, 38, Woodland Avenue, West Hagley.

WEST HAGLEY CRICKET CLUB.

Wish to remind you of their JUMBLE SALE to be held in the Church Hall at 2.30pm on Saturday 11th. April, 1964.

Anyone that has jumble to be collected please contact Mrs. BATHAM, Hagley 2322.

NOTES FOR YOUR DIARY.

'.....FOR QUICK REFERENCE'

APRIL.

- 3rd.....Hagley Community Assn. EASTER DANCE. R.C. SCHOOL. 8pm to 1am.
- 7th.....Hagley Historical & Field Soc. Trial of Richard III
Postponed. See above, alternative programme.
- 10th.....Hagley Conservative Assn. DINNER AND DANCE, Lyttelton Hotel
- 11th.....West Hagley Cricket Club. JUMBLE SALE, Church Hall, 2.30pm.
- 19th.....Hagley & Dist. Light Car Club. HAGLEY/LUDLOW HANDICAP.
- 22nd.)
- 23rd.).....Let's do a Play Club. 'The Late Christopher Bean'
- 24th.) Church Hall. Tickets 3/-d.
- 25th.(

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- 18th.....Hagley & District Light Car Club. AUTOCROSS.