

HAGLEY CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE IN HAGLEY



EVENING W.I.

In 1964 about 25 young mums gathered one evening in the Old Church Hall that was situated on the corner of Church Street and formed a Coffee Club while we left husbands to baby sit. After several meetings it was decided that we would like something more interesting than just a chat, so Pat Nicholls approached The Women's Institute at Worcester to send a representative to give us the information we required.

July 1st 1964 was the formation meeting of the Hagley Evening Women's Institute and the very first meeting was on the 18th July 1964 (3rd Wednesday in the month as it still is today).

Mrs. Pat Nicholls was our first elected President and with the help of a Committee of 10 they ran a very efficient W.I., which we all enjoyed very much. It gave us an interest out of the home away from the children and housework, which was quite unheard of really in those days. How times have changed!

We have gone from strength to strength and have seen quite a few members come and go. There is still a nucleus of the original members in the Institute now and it is still very much enjoyed.

Our first meeting in the new year will be on January 19th, when Davina Sird will talk about "Colour Confidence."

Pauline Harris, President