

**Saturday 18th May 2002
DAY OUT TO
MAIDSTONE**

A visit in member's own cars to Maidstone, with a guided tour, visiting the Archbishop's palace, and if time permits the County museum, the Drake-Tywriht Carriage museum, and a river walk followed by a cream tea.

*1.00 pm Recreation Ground Bridge
Members £8 Non-members £10 Including Cream tea
JV*

**Saturday 22 June 2002
VISIT TO YPRES AND
DISTRICT**

A coach and ferry trip to the historic town of Ypres, where we stop for lunch then visiting Sanctuary Wood, Tyne Cot cemetery and Hill 62, the Cloth Hall and its museum, the Menin Gate, the cathedral and other historic buildings in Ypres.
A very long but rewarding day.

*Depart Bridge Village Post Office 7.00 am
Members £18 Non-members £20 Including ferry fares
JB*

Bridge and District History Society was formed in 1995 to promote interest in aspects of local history in and around the villages of Barham, Kingston, Bishopsbourne, Bridge, Patixbourne and Bekesbourne.

County-wide interests are served through membership of the Kent History Federation.

The evening meetings are informal and sociable. Transport and/or escorts can usually be arranged with other members living nearby.

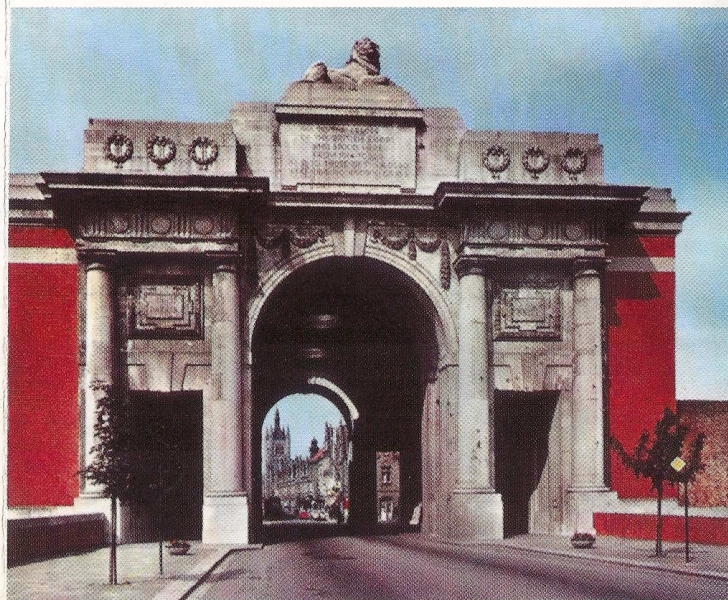
On trips by members' cars, those without transport can usually be accommodated in the spare seats. Please contact the Secretary for arrangements.

**ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING**

Tuesday 25 September 2001

Our first meeting of the year will be preceded by a short Annual General Meeting.

7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall.



Menin Gate



Front cover: Cloth Hall, Ypres

*Chairman John Bishop Tel: 832596
Treasurer Maurice Rararty Tel: 830508*

*Committee Janet Bishop, Meriel Connor,
David Gilmour, David Millyard, Jenny Vye.*

Membership is annual commencing in September. Rates are £6.00 single £10.00 double and £4.00 for each additional person residing at the same address.
Newsletters and advance tickets for visits and days out are sent out alternate months.

**PROGRAMME
2001-2002**

**BRIDGE
& DISTRICT
HISTORY
SOCIETY**

**Tuesday 25 September 2001
UNKNOWN
CANTERBURY**

After the Annual General Meeting, Derek Butler will demonstrate many intriguing and unnoticed views of Canterbury. Even those who thought they really knew Canterbury will be surprised by revelations of hitherto unknown or unregarded aspects of the city's buildings.

*7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall
Members £1 Non-members £3 Including light refreshments
JB*

**Saturday 20 October 2001
A CANTERBURY
WALK**

Following on from the talk by Derek Butler, Meriel Connor will lead a guided walk around Canterbury. We guarantee even those who know Canterbury well will learn something new about this ancient city.

*Depart from the Dover Road Park and Ride 1.30pm.
In member's own cars
Shuttle for members without cars from Bridge Recreation Ground
Members £4.50 Non-members £5.00
JB*

**Tuesday 27 November 2001
NELSON IN KENT**

Anthea Bryant, a previous speaker to our society, will give a talk on Nelson and his associations with Kent and this area in particular. Our greatest sailor and Admiral was a frequent visitor to this part of the world calling on his many friends in the great houses of the district.

*7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall
Members £1 Non-members £3 Including light refreshments
MC*

**Saturday 15 December 2001
CHRISTMAS BUFFET**

Gather at the Village hall to view the photos of Canterbury for the Quiz and enjoy a welcome drink and mince pies. Then cross the road to the White Horse Inn, open exclusively to Society members, for the traditional Christmas buffet, during which the general knowledge quiz and a prize raffle will take place. Join us for a very convivial afternoon in good company.

*12.30 pm Bridge Village Hall and White Horse Inn
Members £10 Child £8 Non-members £12
JB*

**Tuesday 22 January 2002
OLD RAMSGATE**

From a small fishing village in the 1600's Ramsgate developed into a town with many fine Regency houses and terraces. It has attracted numerous famous people, and has a fine maritime record. Brian Fagg is a knowledgeable and amusing speaker, who will entertain and instruct us with wit and quirky humour, and a wealth of fascinating pictures.

*7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall
Members £1 Non-members £3 Including light refreshments
MR*

**Tuesday 26 February 2002
GHOST EVENING**

After the success of our previous ghost evening two years ago, Stewart Ross will curdle your blood with spine chilling tales of the supernatural in an atmospheric candle lit setting. Hot rolls and soup will be served during the evening.

*7.30 pm White Horse Hotel, Bridge
Prices including hot rolls and soup
Members £4.50 Non-members £5.50
JB*

**Tuesday 26 March 2002
SMUGGLING IN KENT**

Smuggling in Kent has been going on for centuries and Peter Ewart will outline its history and the efforts made by the authorities to stop it. As it is still going on today we can conclude they have not been completely successful.

*7.30 p.m. Bridge Village Hall
Members £1 Non-members £3 Including light refreshments
JB*

**April 2002
VISIT TO
LAMBETH PALACE**

We are trying to arrange permission for our group to tour Lambeth Palace in London, residence of the Archbishop of Canterbury. The tours only take place on Wednesdays or Thursdays and we will advise the exact date when arrangements have been finalised. After a tour of the palace we will visit the Museum of Gardening History which is next door to Lambeth Palace. Depart by coach from Bridge Post Office.

*Prices will be advised when known
DG*

**Saturday 11 May 2002
KHF AT LYDD**

The annual Kent History Federation conference will be in Lydd this year. Talks on local topics are given in the morning and a choice of visits to places of interest in the afternoon. Lunches can be pre-arranged.

*Details will be circulated to all members in February or March.
Members to arrange own transport to Rye.*