

SATURDAY 10 MAY 2014

**KHF CONFERENCE
AT TENTERDEN**

The Kent History Federation annual conference will take place at Tenterden this year. The format of the conference will be various topics of discussion in the morning followed by visits to places of interest nearby in the afternoon.

For information on this conference please complete the slip in the visit form. mr

THURSDAY 22 MAY 2014

KENT WINDMILLS

Andrew Wood will give a talk on the Windmills of Kent of which many still exist or have been restored although others including Bridge have disappeared. Andrew has many illustrations of those that have vanished..

7.30 pm Village Hall, Bridge
Members £4.00, non-members £4.00, including refreshments jv

THURSDAY 19th JUNE 2014

**EVENING WALK AROUND
BRIDGE**

Many members have never had the opportunity to walk around Bridge with a guide to explain the various historical buildings and we are pleased to offer this opportunity now.

£3.00 members £5.00 non members
6.00 pm Meet at Bridgeway Stores Western Avenue, Bridge mc

THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2013

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The first meeting of the year will be preceded by a short Annual General Meeting, to review last years programme and to hear the Treasurer's report, this will also be an opportunity for you to have a say in what you would like the Society to do for you.

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

County-wide Aspects are served through the Society's 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 organiser of each event for arrangements

Please contact any Society officer or committee member if you need any help.

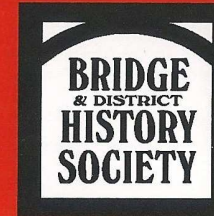
Membership is annual commencing in September. Rates are £8.00 single, £14.00 double and £6.00 for each additional person residing at the same address.

Newsletters with a record of previous meetings and advance notice of the next events will be sent out when required.

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PROGRAMME

2013-2014



THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2013

HIGHAM PARK

Higham Park was restored in recent years by Patricia Gibb and Amanda Harris-Deans and we have been fortunate in persuading them to give an illustrated talk on the restoration.

This meeting will be preceded by a short annual general meeting

7.30 pm Village Hall Bridge

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00, including refreshments

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THURSDAY 17 OCTOBER 2013

A DICKEN'S FILM EVENING

'Hold your noise!' - the opening words convict Magwitch growled at Pip in 'Great Expectations'. That scene inspired Samuel Supple writer/director & producer Debra McGee (Violafilms) to make this short film 'Magwitch'. Filmed in Kent, celebrating Dickens' bicentenary and critically acclaimed Beautifully shot, brilliant direction, great ending.' Come and see.

7.30 pm Village Hall Bridge

Members £4.00 non members £6.00 including refreshments

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THURSDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2013

BOURNE PARK HOUSE

Bourne Park's elegant construction and situation of the house form only part of the story. The lives of the residents and the roles they played in local and national affairs are key elements of its history. This talk by Avril Leach will explore the fabric of the house and the people and events of the fascinating history of Bourne Park.

7.30 pm Village Hall, Bridge,

Members £4.00 non-members £5.00, including refreshments.

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THURSDAY 12 DECEMBER 2013

CHRISTMAS EVENING

A change of venue this year but again a two course Christmas Dinner with an introductory glass of wine and a choice of menu. After the meal we will be entertained by Rob Masters with his hilarious anecdotes of children's nativity plays.

7.30 pm White Horse Inn, Bridge

Members £16.00, non-members £20.00,

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THURSDAY 16 JANUARY 2014

**SOLDIERS OF THE FIRST
WORLD WAR**

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the start of the First World War this year we have invited Rosemary Piddick to talk about those who did the fighting the ordinary tommies—the soldiers of the First World War.

7.30 pm Village Hall Bridge

Members £4.00 non members £5.00 including refreshments

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THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2014

DODE CHURCH

A talk by the owner of Dode Church, Douglas Chapman, who has restored the church back to its medieval condition. We are following this up with a visit to the church a chance to see how a medieval church really looked. Churches have had many changes over the years and this church has been turned back so that medieval parishioners would recognise it..

7.30 pm Village Hall, Bridge

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00, including refreshments.

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THURSDAY 20 MARCH 2014

VICTORIAN HERNE BAY

A very interesting talk on Victorian Herne Bay by history graduate Mike Bundock a resident of Herne Bay who will talk about its heyday as a sea-side resort and of much of the Victorian architecture still to be seen today.

7.30 pm Village Hall, Bridge.

£4.00 members, £5.00, non-members including refreshment.

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MARCH/APRIL 2014

VISIT TO BOURNE HOUSE

We have been fortunate in arranging a visit to Bourne House but the date will not be agreed until nearer the time. The visit will be restricted to members only and priority will be given to those who have not been on our previous visits. Those who send in the slips will be advised of the date when it is available.

2.30 pm Bourne House Entrance

£12.00 members, members only

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THURSDAY 24 APRIL 2014

A VISIT TO DODE CHURCH

Following on from the talk by Douglas Chapman a visit to this very interesting church which by a combination of circumstances was abandoned in medieval times, is now situated in a lost village and never brought up to date by the Victorians.

Numbers will be limited—please apply early.

2.30 pm Dode Church

Members £5 Non Members £7

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