

BRIDGE & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of the Society held in the Hunter Room at
7.30pm on Tuesday 27th June 1995

Jimmy Tamsitt, Hon. Chairman, Bill Dawson, Hon. Secretary

Present 32 persons- Mr. Fred Atkins, Mrs. Margery Atkins, Mr. Beinder, Mrs. Beinder, Mr. John Bishop, Mrs. Janet Bishop, Mrs. Jean Buckwell, Mrs. Vera Carpenter, Mrs. Ethel Cartwright, Prof. Joe Connor, Mrs. Merrel Connor, Mrs. Dorothy Decent, Mr. Bill Dawson, Mr. Laurence Dunderdale, Mrs. Margaret Eaton, Mrs. Pamela Elgar, Mrs. Jean Foster, Mrs. Olive Gonham. Mr. Mervyn Gulvin, Mrs. Joyce Hopkins, Mrs. Margaret Jones, Miss G Lemar, Mr. David Millyard, Mrs. Jessie Mullan, Mrs. Ruby Osmer, Mrs. Pauline Pritchard, Mr. P. Sillitoe, Mr. Jimmy Tamsitt, Mrs. Win Tamsitt, Mr. Walter Turner, Mr. John Williamson, Mr. David Wilding.

Apologies for absence received from Mrs. Margaret Church and Mrs. Joan Monk, Mrs. Jenny Vye.

FORMAL MATTERS

Minutes of the last meeting - Proposed for adoption by _____ and seconded by Mrs. Ethel Cartwright.

Matters arising from the minutes - None raised.

Chairman's Report Jimmy Tamsitt welcomed everyone and said how delighted he was at the interest shown in the new Society by the numbers attending. He thanked the Secretary for his support.

Secretary's Report Bill Dawson said that he had set up a mailing list on his word processor file for the use of the Society, and trusted that most persons would feel happy about including their names on it and asked everyone to fill in the registration form. He had made a mental note to ensure the times of future meetings appeared on posters, and apologised for the omission this time.

Treasurer's Report As acting Treasurer Bill Dawson said the Society was in deficit and asked those present to contribute £1 per head to cover the cost of the room hire and interval refreshments. Any surplus would be used to expand the Society's activities.

SPEAKER

The Chairman welcomed and introduced the Guest Speaker Mr. David Cousins, Heritage Services Officer of the Local Studies Collection at Canterbury Library, and Committee Member of the Canterbury Archaeological Trust whom he represented at the Kent History Federation. Mr. Cousins said he was delighted that the Society had been set up, that it intended to cover other villages close by, and expressed his hope that the Society would soon be in a position to join and participate in the Kent History Federation. He proved a knowledgeable guide to local history information, starting by outlining national sources, and after handing out printed guides to the Canterbury Library's Local Studies Collection went on to detail the wide variety of local sources available to researchers. (It is planned to publish edited extracts from the talk in Bulletin form available later in the year free to subscribing member.)

OPEN DISCUSSION

Constitution of the Society The suggestion from Bill Johnson was adopted that a sample constitution should be sought from the Kent History Federation and/or the British Association for Local History and to liaise with them before finalising a constitution for the Society.

Membership It was agreed that the following be adopted for the year September 1995 - August 1996:

Annual Subscriptions

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| Single | £5.00 | Concession | £3.50 |
| Double | £7.50 | Concession | £5.00 |

Meeting Entrance Charge inclusive interval refreshments

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| Members | £1.00 | Non-members | £2.50 |
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Concessions to be available on request for senior citizens, students in full time education, under 18's and unwaged persons.

Any Other Business

Informal Coffee Mornings/Home Visits It was agreed that Margaret Eaton's suggestion be adopted for informal Coffee Mornings in the Village Hall be organised with the elderly in mind who might not wish or otherwise be unable to attend the regular meetings in the evenings. Alternatively, housebound residents might be visited in their own homes. It was felt that informal approaches to individuals would be preferable.

On the Nail/Kentish Gazette The Secretary will forward a summary of this and future meetings to the local correspondents for inclusion in these publications. **Register of Members Interests** David Millyard suggested listing interests which could be used to form research groups. Interests mentioned included the development of the village, shops, schools, photographs, families, soldiers, and the fire brigade.

Publishing Permission had been obtained from the owner by the Chairman to publish an essay on Highland (Higham) Court. Jessie Mullan and Pamela Elgar both said they might be able to get professional assistance if the Society wanted to go ahead in time. It was suggested that advice might be sought from Oaten Hill Society which regularly publishes booklets.

Pattern of Meetings The Secretary said it was envisaged that this form of meeting with a guest speaker would continue for the foreseeable future, and met with general approval.

Refreshments Thanks was expressed to Mrs. Win Tamsitt for providing interval refreshments. Her costs are to be reimbursed from Society funds.

Date of Next Meeting It was agreed that this would be on Thursday 28 September at 7.30pm in the Hunter Room. Thereafter in November, January, March and June, dates to be decided.

Bill Dawson
July 1995

BRIDGE & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on
Monday 30 October 1995 at 19 The Close, Union road, Bridge

Present Mr. Jimmy Tamsitt, Chairman; Mr. Bill Dawson, Secretary; Dr. Maurice Raraty, Treasurer; Mrs. Emily Shirley; Mr. John Bishop; Mrs. Janet Bishop.

1. Apologies for Absence Mrs. Jenny Vye

2. Correspondence The Secretary had written to Mrs. Vickie Harris who had agreed to be the speaker on English Windmills, with photographs, at the November public meeting. Also with Dr. John Whyman of the University who had agreed to speak at the January public meeting on The Kent & Canterbury Hospital 1790-1913, with slides. Also to Mrs. Joan Kent to ask her to speak at the May public meeting on A Country Girl.

3. Treasurers Report The Secretary had handed over funds to Dr. Raraty following his appointment as Treasurer. There was a credit balance of about £100.

4. Format of Public Meetings It was agreed that this should be changed; members did not appear to want Agendas and Minutes of public meetings, and these should be confined in future to Committee meetings.

5. Venue of Public Meetings Following the increase in interest and consequently numbers attending public meetings, it was agreed that the Society had outgrown the Hunter Room. The Secretary would look at the Methodist Chapel, and if, in his opinion, that should prove unsuitable, then the Village Hall would be used. Catering facilities were an important factor in the choice, as the interval refreshments seemed an important part of the public meetings.

6. Future Guest Speakers See 2. above. Also Jimmy Tamsitt offered to organise a presentation of historic photos of the area from his collection of postcards, followed by a photo-quiz, for the March public meeting, and this was accepted.

7. Any Other Business John Bishop offered to organise an outing to the Elham Valley Railway Museum in February, which might interest members. Emily Shirley offered to organise a walk around Bridge in June in association with John Williamson. Both these suggestions were accepted.

8. Date and Venue of the Next Meeting The Secretary, in consultation with other Committee members, would organise this as and when it was thought necessary.

Bill Dawson, Secretary
4 November 1995

cc Janet Bishop
John Bishop
Maurice Raraty ✓
Emily Shirley
Jimmy Tamsitt
Jenny Vye

BRIDGE & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on
Wednesday 28 February 1996 at 41 Bridge Down, Bridge.

Present Dr. Maurice Raraty, Treasurer (Deputising as Chairman); Mr. Bill Dawson, Secretary; Mr. John Bishop; Mrs. Janet Bishop; Mrs. Jenny Vye.

1. Apologies for Absence Jimmy Tamsitt, Chairman; Mrs. Emily Shirley,

2. Minutes of the last Meeting The Secretary apologised for not having them available, and it was agreed to defer their approval to the next Committee meeting.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes See 2, above.

4. Correspondence The Secretary had received details from the Kent History Federation of the Agenda for their next meeting on 1 March, and of a One Day Conference at Tonbridge in May.

5. Treasurers Report A printed Statement was provided by the treasurer showing a current balance of £294.08. The Elham Valley Railway Museum outing had made a profit of £66.00. Public meetings needed to attract about 30 persons to show a profit when an outside paid speaker was involved.

6. Report on the Outing to the Elham Valley Railway Museum The event had attracted 23 persons: 15 members- 2 others had paid but unable to go, and 8 non-members, incl. 2 children. George Wright, the museum's creator, made us welcome and teas and biscuits etc. were freely available. All were impressed with the exhibits, layout and smartness of the museum. In particular, the working scale model of the line, the BocheBuster gun video presentation and the signal box with its working levers, bells and telephone proved great attractions. John Bishop was thanked for organising the event, and the Secretary was asked to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Wright. The event's success proved a morale booster for the Committee in planning for the future.

7. Programme for the 1996-97 Season It was agreed that the Society's public meetings should all be on the same day. The Secretary said he would check with other village societies' days/dates to ensure that as far as possible our meetings would not clash with any others. Tuesday seemed a good day.

Public Meetings would be held in September, and November 1996, and January, March and May 1997, with outings between them.

Speakers It was agreed that the following approaches be made for speakers: Jenny Vye re. Mrs. Shirley in September, and Mrs. Meriel O'Connor in May; Bill Dawson re. Mr. Fagg (Restoration of Cottages) in November, and speaker on the KHF panel (Kent Railways) in March; Maurice Raraty re. Stephen Band (Bargrave, a 17th century Cannon of the Cathedral and resident of Bridge Place) in January. Re. autumn 1997, Bill Dawson would approach Mr. Ogle on the KHF panel to try and book him for his talk about on the Great Storm of 1987, as it would by then be the 10th anniversary, for September or November (97).

Outings John Bishop had a reply to a letter that member Mavis Parsons had written to the owner of Bourne Park, whom she knew, to say that Lady Juliet de Chair would permit "up to to no more than 30 persons at a time" to visit the house. The

Secretary would liaise with Mrs. Parsons to finalise details for a visit in either October '96 or April '97. It was felt that the prospect of a visit was a coup for the Society, and likely to attract much interest. Jenny Vye would discuss with member Meriel O'Connor the possibility of a special guided tour in June '97 of some of the more unusual places in Canterbury. John Bishop said he would look into an outing to the East Kent Steam Railway next February.

8. Any Other Business It was agreed with John Bishop that the Summer Walk on 9 June should finish at the Village Hall where light refreshments would be available at no extra charge. The Secretary would book the Hall from 12.00-1.30pm. The Secretary expressed concern that the second half of public meetings tended not to be as well organised as the first, and suggested that it should be used for promoting interest in local historical matters. It was agreed he would find out the cost of a very large scale map of the High Street from Ordnance Survey which could be hung on the Village Hall wall at meetings to get people to discuss the history of houses and their previous inhabitants. Thanks were expressed to Dr. and Mrs. Raraty for their hospitality.

9. Date and Venue of the Next Meeting Wednesday 24 April at 'The Dacha', Patixbourne Road, Bridge. (Jenny Vye, Tel. 830 983)

Bill Dawson, Secretary
29 February 1996

cc Janet Bishop
John Bishop
Maurice Raraty ✓
Emily Shirley
Jimmy Tamsitt
Jenny Vye

BRIDGE & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on
Wednesday 24 April at 'The Dacha', Patricxbourne Road, Bridge.

Present

Maurice Raraty (Treasurer) Deputising as Chairman
Bill Dawson (Secretary)
Janet Bishop
Jenny Vye.

1 Apologies for Absence

Jimmy Tamsett (Chairman)

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 28 February 1996, had been circulated beforehand. Due to an oversight they would be signed as a true record at the next meeting.

3 Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

4 Correspondence

4.1 Re. the 1996-7 season, the secretary had received confirmation from two guest speakers for November 1996 and March 1997, and, re. the 1997-8 season, similarly from a guest speaker for the opening September 1997 meeting.

4.2 A circular had been received from the Faversham Society detailing their Open House scheme on the first three Saturdays in July.

5 Treasurers Report

5.1 The annual subscription to the Kent History Federation had been renewed/
5.2 The balance sheet prepared for the meeting showed a credit of £275.42.

6 Report on the March Meeting

6.1 A record attendance of about 45 persons was at the presentation by the chairman Jimmy Tamsett of his specially prepared video of still photographs from his own and others' collections of Bridge. The evening proved a great success and finished half an hour later than usual at about 10.00pm. Two television sets were set up to make viewing easier and this arrangement had proved worthwhile.

6.2 Membership subscriptions had increased at the above meeting by 7, and now stood at 72.

7 Programme for the 1996-97 Season

7.1 The secretary produced a printed outline of the arrangements made so far for discussion at the meeting. An amended version is included with these minutes showing the changes approved at the meeting, with the organiser shown in brackets.

7.2 It was decided that the first meeting should begin with the AGM to be followed by a speaker. Jenny Vye would ask John Williamson to speak at one, giving him the first choice, and Bill Dawson would ask member Fred Atkins to give his slide presentation at the other.

BRIDGE & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on
Wednesday 26 June 1996 at 'The Dacha', Patricbourne Road, Bridge.

Present

Jenny Vye, Deputising as Chair
Maurice Raraty (Treasurer
John Bishop)

Bill Dawson (Secretary)
Janet Bishop

1 Apologies for Absence

- 1.1 With regret we have to record the death of our founder Chairman Jimmy Tammsit. Aged 64, he passed away soon after the last committee meeting which he was too ill to attend (see Treasurers' Report below).
- 1.2 Apology was received from John Corfield (see AOB 8.1 below)

2 Minutes of the Previous Meetings

The Minutes of the previous meetings held on 28 February and 24 April, having been circulated beforehand, were approved by the committee and signed by Jenny Vye, as being true records.

3 Matter Arising from the Minutes

It was pointed out that the date of this meeting had been wrongly given as the 25 June.

4 Correspondence

- 4.1 In response to the Secretary's letter of thanks to Joan Kent for her appearance as guest speaker at the May public meeting, she wrote to say how much she had enjoyed the evening, and expressed a wish to visit the Society again in the future.
- 4.2 A letter had been received from Prof. Stephen Bann accepting our invitation as guest speaker at the public meeting on 14 January 1997 and setting his fees at £50 inclusive all expenses. Maurice Raraty, who had originally contacted him, had subsequently mutually agreed the fees at £25 inclusive expenses.

5 Treasurer's Report

After the last two meetings and a donation to the Cancer Relief Mcmillan Fund in memory of Jimmy Tammsit, the balance stood at £294.19.

6 Annual General Meeting

No member had yet been known to express any dissatisfaction about the work of the Committee, It was agreed that to hold an AGM could not be seen to be worthwhile in the next season. A reappraisal whether or not to hold an AGM in the 1997-98 season would be deferred until next year when the programme for it is arranged.

7 Programme for the 1996-97 Season

- 7.1 **3 September** Jenny Vye said that John Williamson had agreed to be guest speaker on Social Village Life of Bridge in the 19th Century.
- 7.2 **14 December** Johnh Bishop brought along a sample Christmas Buffet lunch menu from the Red Lion, and it was agreed that they would be asked to reduce the scope of the menu and accordingly its price, with an upper

limit of £6.50 per head. The ticket price will include a free glass of wine paid for by the Society. Plans for the photo-quiz were in hand.

- 7.3 **22 February** John Bishop had made tentative arrangements for a special opening of the St. Margaret's Bay Museum, along the lines of his successful visit to Peane in February this year.
- 7.4 **10 May** Bill Dawson would finalise arrangements with member Fred Atkins for his slide presentation of Bishopsbourne.
- 7.5 **?? June** It was agreed that those wishing to walk from Bridge should meet in Bridge at 10.00am, and that the Summer Walk proper should start at 10.45am in Bishopsbourne, with a view to finishing in the Mermaid Inn. Martin Vye, the organiser, is to advise a date to suit him.
- 7.6 The Secretary's proposal to spread the new Programme over both sides of an A4 size card with photos, and punched with a hole so that members could hang it up like a calendar was agreed.

8 Any Other Business

- 8.1 Following an approach by the Secretary, member John Corfield had agreed to join the committee.
- 8.2 It was agreed to look into the possibility of a memorial to Jimmsy Tammsit, founder Chairman, and that this subject would be raised at the public meetings for discussion
- 8.3 It was agreed that as a token of the Society's appreciation of John Williamson's work as guest speaker in Septembers 1995 and 1996, and his organising the Summer Walk in June this year, it would be appropriate to present him with a £20 Book Token at the 3 September public meeting.
- 8.4 John Bishop suggested a Millennium Project be undertaken by the Society as a way of its marking the event. In principle it was agreed that the history of individual homes and their owners might form the subject.

9 Date of the Next Meeting

No date was set, as it was felt that one was not necessary before the Autumn. But it was agreed that the Secretary should call available committee members together prior to the September meeting to ensure its smooth running.

The Secretary thanked Jenny Vye for her kind hospitality, and the meeting was closed at 9.00pm.

Chair-----Date-----

cc Janet Bishop
John Corfield
Maurice Raraty
Jenny Vye

John Bishop
Bill Dawson
Emily Shirley

BRIDGE & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on
Monday 12th August 1996 in the Hunter Room, Union Road, Bridge

Present

John Bishop (Deputising as Chair)
Maurice Raraty (Treasurer)
John Corfield

Bill Dawson (Secretary)
Janet Bishop

1 Apologies for Absence

Emily Shirley and Jenny Vye were both on holiday and therefore unavailable.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 26th June, having been circulated beforehand, were approved by the committee and signed by John Bishop as being a true record.

3 Matters Arising from the Minutes

7.2 Re. Christmas Buffet Lunch at the Red Lion, John Bishop said arrangements were in hand, and the final sample menu was to follow.

7/3 Re. the Visit to St. Margaret's Bay Museum, John Bishop said that all arrangements had been made and light refreshments are to be included. He would tell them to expect about 20 persons.
anc should have read

5.0 The balance should have read £274.19, not £294.19.

4 Correspondence

None had been received.

5 Treasurer's Report

There had been no change since the last meeting, and the balance stood at £274.19.

6 Appointment of New Chairman

It was agreed that a new chairman be elected at the start of the public meeting on 3rd September.

7 Annual General Meeting

7.1 It was agreed that despite previous thoughts (see Minutes 26th June, 6.0), that half the committee, including at least one officer, should be elected annually at a public meeting, and that the first election would be on the 6th May meeting.

7.2 It was agreed that the committee should comprise a minimum of six persons.

8 Programme for the 1996-97 Season

The Secretary had previously circulated copies of the texts for it, and the committee went through them in detail before giving its approval prior to printing.

9 Roles of Committee Members at the Public Meeting on 3rd September

9.1 John Bishop agreed to make the announcements.

9.2 John Corfield and Janet Bishop agreed to take membership subscriptions and meeting entrance charges. (Maurice Raraty (Treasurer) would be unable to attend)

9.3 Win Tammsit should be asked if she would like to continue to assist with the interval catering.

10 Any Other Business

10.01 It was agreed that Win Tammsit should be given honorary life membership in recognition of the work Jimmy Tammsit had done in the matter of local history in Bridge for both the Village, and for the Society.

10.02 John Bishop mentioned the possibility of a raffle at public meetings as a way of increasing funds. No decision was made.

1.03 John Bishop revived the idea of a memorial plaque in the Village Hall to Jimmy Tammsit , and would consider announcing it to seek out members' opinions and possibly donations at the 3rd September meeting.

10.04 The Secretary said he would buy the £20 book token for presentation to John Williamson in thanks for the 2 talks and the walk he has undertaken for the Society.

11 Date of the Next Meeting

The date was fixed for Monday 7th October, the venue to be announced.g

Chair

Date

cc Janet Bishop
John Corfield
Maurice Raraty
Jenny Vye

John Bishop
Bill Dawson
Emily Shirley

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10.00 to W Dawson Rectory.

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Next: Wed 9th April.

Billie
Anderson

BRIDGE & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 7.30pm on
Wednesday 4th December 1996 in the Hunter Room, Union Road, Bridge

Present John Bishop, Chairman; Bill Dawson, Secretary; Maurice Raraty,
Treasurer; Janet Bishop, John Corfield and Jenny Vye

1 Apologies for Absence

None received. Emily Shirley had informed the Secretary verbally since the last meeting of her intention to resign from the committee

2 Minutes of the Meeting of 12 August 1996

The Minutes of the meeting having been circulated beforehand were unanimously approved by the committee and signed by the chairman as being a true record.

3 Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting of 12 August 1996

11.0 The meeting scheduled for 7 October had been postponed until today.

9.3 Win Tamsitt was delighted to continue assisting in the catering at public meetings.

6.0 In the absence of any other nomination at the public meeting of 3 September, John Bishop had been appointed chairman at that meeting.

7.0 It was agreed that the committee should exist on a 3-year rotation of members with one third of the members being elected annually. Nominations would be sought in time for the AGM in May

8.0 The Secretary was thanked for his part in the production and distribution of the 1996-7 Programme, and for the Bourne Park history he had prepared for the visit there in October.

4 Correspondence

4.1 From Mrs Win Tamsitt thanks for Honorary Life Membership of the Society.

4.2 From the Secretary to Lady Juliet de Chair acknowledging the Society's cheque donated to her Ladyship's charity of choice, the Canterbury Pilgrims Hospice, value £60.00. Also a telephone request for copies of the Bourne Park history to send to trustees of the Estate.

4.3 From Brian Fagg speaker at the November public meeting thanks for overcoming his transport problems and the hospitality he and his partner had received at the home of John and Wendy Corfield before the meeting. The Secretary had telephoned Mr Fagg in acknowledgment and to thank him for a much enjoyed presentation.

5 Treasurer's Report

There was a balance of £829.11 in the Giro current account, plus £14.00 not banked.

6 Christmas Buffet Lunch and Prize Quiz 14th December

It was agreed that the two prize values would be £10.00 for the Quiz and £5.00 for the lucky ticket number draw, both in the form of Bridgeway Stores gift vouchers. The Chairman and Secretary had the photo section of the Quiz in hand and the chairman was organising questions for the

7 Visit to St. Margarets Bay Museum and The Pines Gardens 22 February 1997.

On a show of hands at the November meeting about 12 persons had shown interest in attending. The Secretary suggested that tickets could be sent out to all members with a deadline date for their return with payment, and also be available at the January meeting. Organiser John Bishop said plans were well advanced with the museum.

8 Any Other Business

6.1 The idea of holding regular raffles at public meeting as a means of raising funds was not taken up as it was felt that the healthy state of finances did not show a need.

6.2 A replacement for Emily Shirley on the committee would not be sought before the AGM.

9 Date of the Next Meeting

The date was fixed for Wednesday 5 February at 7.30pm in the Hunter Room

Chairman _____

Date _____

cc Janet Bishop
John Corfield
Jenny Vye

✓ John Bishop
Maurice Raraty

BRIDGE & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

A G E N D A

For the 4th meeting of the Society to be held at
7.30pm Tuesday 28th November 1995
in the Village Hall, 28 High Street, Bridge

1 The Chairman welcomes and introduces the guest speaker

G U E S T S P E A K E R

VICKIE HARRIS on ENGLISH WINDMILLS

The windmill has been a feature of the English countryside for many centuries, and with the aid of her collection of large photographs, many of which as a trained photographer she took herself, Vickie tells how the simple post mills dating from around the 13th century- hand turned to the wind, evolved to become the sophisticated automatons of more recent times. Though mainly used for corn grinding, windmills had other uses, and Vickie goes on to explain the fascinating mechanisms which worked these mighty machines. A member of the Kent Mills Group, Mrs Harris is active in other historical areas including Industrial History, The Co-operative Movement and Maidstone Zoo.

INTERVAL

with light refreshments

*Thurs. May 23
Mrs Kent*

FORMAL MATTERS & OPEN DISCUSSION

- 2 Apologies for absence Members who cannot come to the meeting, should contact the Secretary, Bill Dawson, on 831 044.
- 3 Minutes of the last meeting To approve the record of the 2nd meeting, and discuss matters arising from them.
- 4 Matters arising from the Minutes
- 5 Chairman's and Secretary's Reports
- 6 Any other business
- 7 Date of the next meeting.

*J. Bishop
Elham Valley
Railway Museum*

Sat 24 Feb. Peene

Thurs.

*28th - Jan : John Wyman 1797-1993
Kec Hospital*

BRIDGE & DISTRICT
HISTORY SOCIETY

NOTICE BOARD

Saturday 21 October

Family History Study Days

BEYOND ST. CATHERINE'S HOUSE

An introduction to the sources most commonly used to trace family history back to the 18th century after the resources of St. Catherine's House have been exhausted. For beginners or near-beginners Tutor Dr Jaqueline Bower County Hall, Maidstone 10.30am-4.30pm. £20.00 incl. morning coffee, light lunch and afternoon tea. Details- Mrs Linda Harvey, Centre for Kentish Studies 01622 694 363

Saturday 28 October

Day Conference

16th CENTURY VOYAGES from England and the Basque region of Spain to the Arctic, Africa, Newfoundland and around the World. Keynes College, University of Kent at Canterbury, 9.30am. £12.50. Society for Nautical Research. Details- Ann Shirley 831 810

November 2nd - 30th

ANNE FRANK IN THE WORLD

A major exhibition that tells the story of the family and people around Anne Frank, set against the rise of the Nazi regime and the Holocaust. The exhibition contains: * 550 screen print photographs, including 200 from the Frank family album * Replica documents and manuscripts from Anne's diary and workbooks * The award winning video **Dear Kitty**

* A scale model of the **Secret Annexe** where Anne and seven others hid for two years * Previously unreleased photographs from the Dutch and German archives. Admission free. Eastbridge Hospital, Canterbury Mondays to Saturdays 10.00am - 5.00pm
Sundays 11.00am - 5.00pm