

A Special job in Bridge

The Special Constabulary (Bridge Section) is seven strong, with five special Constables and two special Sergeants.

Our duties are varied, covering such things as weddings, funerals, church services, bonfire nights, polling duties, traffic control and visiting business premises etc.

Two of our members travel over from Canterbury to do duties throughout the summer

on Saturdays and Sundays. The Section have always had the pleasure of receiving thanks for their efforts, but many people say that the Police are never around when they are most wanted. This proves the point that when they are around few incidents occur. The Police are under-manned and this is where the Specials can help out, the uniform itself helping to deter crime.

May an appeal be made to all residents of Bridge, that if they do happen to see something suspicious to report it straight away. Do not worry if it proves to be a false alarm, the Police will thank you anyway.

Let parents help to stamp out any vandalism they may see. Many villages are suffering from this type of crime today. The old Bridge School is a good example of what damage youngsters can do in a very short time. Let vandalism in Bridge be controlled before it is too late.

May I end by stating that if at any time our Section can be of any service to you, please notify either

S/Sgt. John Buckmaster, 'Jonette', Patrixbourne Road or S/Sgt. Bill Pierce,

7 Windmill Close, Bridge

Bill Pierce

Sister Marian's Mission

The Church Army has recently launched Rutland Deanery Mission with Captain Peter Tailby, Captain Harry Greenhalgh and Sister Marian Hawkins of Bridge. Part of the mission will involve a personal renewal in a Lenten course entitled 'That's Life'. There will be a procession of witness on Good Friday culminating in a rededication of baptismal vows. Well done, Marian. We recall your Commissioning as a C. A. Officer reported last March.



FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

St. Peter's Church, Bridge

1st February 1976 Mark Alan Westcott

Elmstone Church

15th February 1976 Nicola Claire Thornby

May They Rest In Peace

St. Peter's Church, Bridge and afterwards at

Barham Crematorium

13th January 1976 Emma Kennett

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Cecil Edward Denchfield

Barham Crematorium

2nd February 1976 Ellen Gillett

BRIDGE AND PATRIXBOURNE W. I.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 16th March at 7pm in the Village Hall, Bridge. The Speaker will be Mr. R. Friend, on Guide Dogs for the Blind. Competition: A home-made Easter Card.

BRIDGE YOUNG WIVES GROUP

March 3rd. Mr. Donald Dougall (of Scene South East) speaking in the Village Hall, 8pm. Open night, all are welcome. March 17th. Mr. Maxwell speaking, and showing slides in colour of Wedgwood Pottery, in Village Hall 8pm. OPEN NIGHT. March 31st. Members are invited to a hair demonstration given by Yvonne at Vanity Fair at 7.30pm.

PATRIXBOURNE PARISH MEETING

The Annual Assembly of the Patrixbourne Parish will be held in Tuesday March 16th at "The Barton", Patrixbourne at 7.30pm. P. Greenwood, Acting Clerk.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH BEKESBOURNE

On Sunday April 4th at 11 a.m. there will be a Service of Passion Music and Readings. The full Choir will be present and we extend a warm welcome to all to attend this Service. The Service will be conducted by Dr. Nigel Allan.