

June 6th 2002

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FISH news: There will be a jubilee lunch on Wednesday, June 12, 12.30-2.15, phone Ann Medhurst on 830762 if you are hoping to attend. There will not be a coffee pop-in this month.

WI: At the main meeting a fun quiz followed discussion and voting on the annual resolutions. Jean Foster won the competition. For the anniversary meeting on Tuesday, June 18, fish and chips will be served at 7.30pm in the village hall. Members should take a knife and fork and glass. There will be no competition but a table will be provided for memorabilia of the Queen's 50-year reign.

For nursery: The spring fair held at the Woodpeckers Nursery raised about £1,300 which will buy equipment for the new building coming in the summer. The manager, Angie Sheppard thanks those who supported the event and made it such a success.

Piano: Bridge and Patricxbourne Primary School is in need of an upright piano in good condition for use in the classroom. If anyone can help, phone Nick Lane at the school on 01227 830276.

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Church news: Thursday, June 6, Health and Healing Group, 7pm, 7 Windmill Close. Phone if you have any requests for a person or situation you would like included in the prayers and join in and share the fellowship. Phone Kath Pierce on 01227 830844.

An appeal is made for the occasional use of a powerful lawnmower for the vicarage, phone 01227 830250. Monday, June 10, Caring and Sharing Group visit to gipsy caravan, 7.30pm; also senior confirmation 8pm. Tuesday, June 11, Patricxbourne with Bridge parochial church council meeting, Bridge Church 7.30pm. Wednesday, June 12, NADFAS at Bridge Church, 10am; also Ears and Beers, Plough and Harrow, Bridge, 6pm; Thursday, June 13, junior confirmation, Vicarage 5.30pm.

Church services: Sunday, June 9, second after Trinity, 10am, Matins, Chris Mclean, St Mary's Church, Patricxbourne; 11am, Family Service, Mrs M. Clarke and Martin Leggat, St Peter's Church, Bridge. Other churches in the Bridge Group; 8am, BCP Communion, the Rev J. Shorrocks, St Peter's Church, Bekesbourne; 9.30am, Holy Communion, the Rev D. Bretherton, St Mary's Church, Nackington; 11am, Bridge Methodist Church service led by the Rev Barbara Heather.

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Church services: Sunday, June 16,
third after Trinity, 10am Holy
Communion, Canon Gordon
Manley, St Peter's Church, Bridge.
No service at St Mary's,
Patricxbourne. Other churches in
the Bridge Group 8am BCP
Communion, the Rev P. Filmer, St
Mary's Church, Nackington; 10am
Family Service, Mrs M. Clarke, St
Mary the Virgin Church, Lower

Hardres; 10am, Holy Communion
Mr Filmer, St Peter's Church,
Bekesbourne, 11am Bridge
Methodist Church (church
anniversary) service led by Alistair
Barwick, also on Tuesday, June 18,
at 7pm Church anniversary
Evening Service, preacher the Rev
J. Ward.

New office: A new office opened in
Bridge at the end of last month
when the letting and estate agency
business of Priors became part of
Colebrook Sturrock and Co.

The business that was set up in the
mid-1980s by architect Mervyn
Gulvin and his partner, Loraine
Prior, has been predominantly
involved in property management
and gives another dimension to the
Colebrook Sturrock Co
management portfolio, taking the
number of managed properties to
more than 140.

Just as importantly, it gives the
firm the opportunity to expand
further into the agency market
around Canterbury without having
to be in the traffic congestion of
the city itself.

The office, which is the firm's sixth,
forms a triangle of offices covering
the whole of East Kent and
continues the company's steady
expansion over 11 years
culminating in the firm winning
The Best Small Business in Kent
award in 2000.

The manager in charge of the new
office is Barbara Timlett, recently
of Collins and Co in Canterbury,
and earlier in her estate agency
career also with Worsfold and Your
Move.

Jubilee: Timetable for the village
celebrations: Friday, June 14,
7.30pm, Barn Dance, School Hall, £5
at the door; Tuesday, June 18,
guided history tours of Bridge,
start White Horse, £2; Thursday,
June 20, 7pm supper quiz, village
hall, £5; Friday, June 21, jubilee
mugs ordered for those under the
age of 18 in Bridge will be available
for collection on proof of identity
at the village hall from 2.30-5pm;
8.30pm live music from Keith
James, White Horse.

Saturday, June 22, fete and jubilee day: 9.30-noon play tennis event, all children welcome, Tennis Club; 11 onwards, Living History display, Church Meadow, Brewery Lane; classic car display, Rogers Garage, High Street; classic motorbike display Mortimer's, Brewery lane; 11.45am children's fancy dress procession to school fete led by Morris Dancers from the Red Lion car park; noon village fete opening by the Lord Mayor, Bridge School; 12.15pm Morris dancing, school; 1-5pm music from The Odd Couple and Andrew Wiggins, White Horse; 1.30pm Punch and Judy, school; 1.45pm Morris dancing, Red Lion; 2pm jive display by The Lindy Marsh Hoppers, school; 2.30pm onwards Bretts traction engine, High Street; 2.30pm display by Reception and years 1 and 2 classes, school; 2.45pm Morris dancing, White Horse; 3pm magic show, school; 3.30pm display by years 5 and 6, school; 3.45pm jive display, White Horse; 4pm raffle draw, school; 4.15pm Morris dancing, Plough and Harrow; 4.30pm Hush in performance, children's talent contest, Red Lion; 5.30pm gymnastic display, Red Lion garden; 6.15pm Duck Race and official opening of footbridge, Mill Lane ford; 6.30pm Canterbury Clerkes in performance, St Peter's Church; 8.15pm pie eating and yard of ale contest, Red Lion; 9pm pig roast sponsored by Laurie Wakeham and barbecue sponsored by Bridgeway Stores, with Camine in performance, White Horse garden; 9pm barbecue sponsored by Skippers Restaurant and live band Little Rock in Denne's marquee, Red Lion garden.

Parish council: The next meeting is at the Hunter Room of the village hall on Thursday, June 13, at 7.30pm. All members of the parish are welcome.

Church news: Bridge Group, Monday, June 17, Senior Confirmation, Bridge Vicarage, 8pm; Tuesday, June 18, 10.30am coffee morning, The Old Farmhouse, Lower Hardres; 8pm After Eights Group, 10 Union Road, Bridge; Wednesday, June 19, Lower Hardres and Nackington parochial church council, 7.30pm, John Baker White Hall, Lower Hardres; Thursday, June 20, Junior Confirmation, 5.30 Bridge Vicarage.

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Tennis: Play Tennis 2002 is run by the Lawn Tennis Association and the campaign offers everyone, especially beginners, the opportunity to pick up a racket and play. As part of the campaign, Bridge Tennis Club is throwing open its doors on June 22 for free.

It is open to players of all ages and abilities. Youngsters are particularly welcome to try the game.

Hilary Whiting, from Bridge Tennis Club, said: "We want to show people that their local tennis club can be welcoming and friendly. We particularly hope that the campaign attracts long-term members."

Telephone Hilary Whiting, coaching co-ordinator, on 01227 830506, or the secretary, Karen Furly on 01227 832239, or visit <http://www.LTA.org.uk/playtennis> or telephone the LTA hotline on 020 7381 7038 for further details of Play Tennis 2002.

Art In Bridge: The first art exhibition in the village last year for local artists was so successful it has been decided to repeat it this autumn.

Anyone living or working in Bridge is invited to exhibit up to three works of art that can be hung on a wall or display boards. Young people are especially encouraged to exhibit.

This year there will be a section for exhibits on any aspect of the parish of Bridge. This will be in addition to the general section limit.

For adults only, there will be a

charge of £1 an exhibit. Artists are welcome to sell their work and will be asked to donate 20 per cent of any sale to Art in Bridge. Bring your work to the village hall after 7.30pm on Friday, October 18.

Jubilee Mugs: For those residents in Bridge who are entitled to, or have ordered, the mugs can collect them with proof of identity from Bridge Village Hall, from 2.30 to 5pm on Friday, June 21, or from the beer tent at the village fete on Saturday, June 22.

Bridge Parish Fete: The fete will be held in the school grounds on Saturday, June 22, as part of the Golden Jubilee celebrations. This will be opened by the Lord Mayor of Canterbury at noon and will continue until 4pm. There will be a fancy dress parade led by morris dancers, many side shows, stalls and attractions, Punch and Judy, dance displays, pony rides, refreshments, a barbecue and beer tent. World Cup viewing will also be available.

Canterbury Clerkes: The Clerkes appear in St Peter's Church on Saturday, June 22, at 6.30pm. The three unaccompanied voices tackle the sacred but mostly secular and offer something for almost everyone. Music from medieval times, Tudor and from the 17th to 20th centuries is included. Admission is free, but there will be an exit collection.

Church News: Bridge Group, Sunday, June 23, 10am, The Works Bridge Childcare Centre, adjacent school. Monday, June 24, 7.30pm, Caring and Sharing Group visit to Rapid Response, 8pm Senior Confirmation, The Vicarage. Wednesday, June 26, 10am, NADFAS Bridge Church, 7.30pm, Bekesbourne PCC 10 De Havilands Bekesbourne. Thursday, June 27, 5.30pm, Junior Confirmation, The Vicarage.

Church Services: Sunday, June 23, 4th after Trinity. 8am BCP Communion, Rev P. Filmer, St Peter's Church, Bridge; 10am, Holy Communion, Rev P. Filmer, St Mary's Church, Patricxbourne. Other churches in the Bridge Group, 9.30am Holy Communion, Rev R. Diss, St Mary's Church,

Nackington. No service today in St Peter's Church, Bekesbourne; 11am Bridge Methodist Church Service led by the Rev David Marshall.

Sandbag Store: Canterbury City Council has advised that the replacement store is being ordered and is arranging for the removal of the old store and installation of the new one. It has also provided information on suitable anti-vandal coating for the roof and anti-graffiti coating for the walls.

Footbridge at Mill Lane: Cllr Anderson advised that the date stone is to be installed this week. The official commemoration will be held at 6.15pm on Saturday, June 22.

Allotments: Councillors met C. Gooch of FPD Savills. Cllr Gulvin advised that a revised plan for 12 allotments has been proposed and Mr Gooch has agreed to obtain a revised estimate. Rent and rent collection have to be decided. The old orchard area is to be discussed later.

Street Lighting ñ Bifrons Path: Quotations have been received from Seeboard for the new street light. It was agreed to accept the option of the roadlighting lantern with shield. The clerk advised that no adverse response had been received to letters sent to neighbouring properties regarding installation of the street light.

Floral Competition: It was agreed to run the commercial floral competition this year to be judged during the last two weeks of July. The clerk was requested to produce a notice to be delivered to all the commercial premises in the village. Cllr Walder volunteered to deliver them.

Tree Warden: Cllr Monk reported that more tree wardens were required and it was agreed to put a notice in the Parish News requesting help. Cllr Hill agreed to be a tree warden for the recreation ground.

Planning application received: The following planning applications have been received:

CAL02/0081/BRI single-storey rear extension at 15 High Street, Bridge.

Planning applications granted:
CA/02/0405/BRI, Two-storey

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extension to front of dwelling at
High Street, Bridge.

**Applications refused:: No
applications were refused.**

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War Memorial: The memorial, which is situated in the churchyard of St Peter's Church Bridge, has been cleaned and renovated by parish councillor John Hill and restored to its former glory. This has been much appreciated and Col Richard Ream would like to thank him on behalf of the Royal British Legion for his hard work.

Duck Race: The duck race organised by The Nailbourne Scout Group immediately following the above event, when Chris Maclean, landlord of the Plough and Harrow, cast a large number of multi-coloured ducks into the ford, and then racing round to the recreation ground in time to mark the first arrivals. Results: First Duck No.672. £50 Harry Ware. Second No.315. Hamper Adrian Clark. Third No.35 whisky Sandra Fawke. Last Duck No.92 Matt Allingham. The organisers thank all who bought or sold tickets or helped. the duck race raised £789 for the Nailbourne Scout Group.

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Neighbourhood Watch: There have been thefts of antiques from houses near Bridge. If you have valuable items, review your security now. Also there have been reports of a telephone caller who claims to be from the Trading Standards Authority doing a survey about computer equipment. It is likely that this person is 'casing the joint'. If you receive such a call, phone police on 762055.

WI: Following the celebratory birthday fish and chip supper on Tuesday, June 18, in the village hall, the next event will be, wet or fine, the garden meeting at 69 Bridgedown on Tuesday, July 16, at 2.30pm. On Wednesday, August 7, everyone will be welcome to a

coffee morning at 26 Western Avenue, 10am-noon. There will be a bring and buy stall, plants, cakes and a raffle.

Village Fete: Held in the Bridge Primary School grounds last Saturday. Money raised to be equally divided between the school and the parish of Patricbourne with Bridge. This is expected to be about £4,500, the final figure to be announced next week. This event was held with the village's Golden Jubilee celebrations. Apologies were received from the Lord Mayor Cllr Mary Jeffries and the fete was opened by Cllr Brian Hunter, the Sheriff of Canterbury, who also judged the children's fancy dress competition. These children, having paraded up the High Street from the Red Lion car park, preceded by a group of morris dancers to arrive simultaneously with the opening ceremony. The skill and imagination put into the construction of the costumes made it virtually impossible to choose an outright winner. It was estimated that up to 1,500 people were patronising stalls and watching events. The organisers thank all those who helped or supported this outstanding day.

New Footbridge: Over the River Nailbourne in Mill Lane to replace the one destroyed in the flood was dedicated by parish council chairman John Anderson in commemoration of the Queen's Golden Jubilee, having been constructed during this year. He thanked the KCC for its design, the design of a tablet by Cllr Mervyn Gulvin and Glenn Daley for providing the Portland stone and arranging for a stonemason to inscribe it and setting it into the brickwork. This was followed by a short prayer from parish lay reader Mrs M. Clark.

Village Contests: Many events on Bridge's Jubilee Day took place in the Garden of the Red Lion Inn. They included children's talent competitions. Winners ages three to six years Mollie Glew, seven to 11 years, Laura and Jordan. 11 years and over, Tiffany, Sophie and Laura.

Pie Eating Competition, 1 Mark Esdale.

Yard of Ale, Men 1 Mark Lane. Ladies 1 Kate Welsh.

Thank you: On the behalf of all residents of Bridge, the chairman of the parish council John Anderson thanks members of the Jubilee Committee under Alan Walton who worked so hard to

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produce such a glorious and eventful day and all businesses and individuals who contributed in so many ways to make it an outstanding success and those sponsors who gave so generously.

Church services: Sunday, June 30, Trinity 5. Throughout the Bridge Group, there will be one service only for the whole benefice at 10am. Holy Communion celebrated by the Rev P. Filmer at St Peter's Church Bridge. 11am Bridge Methodist Church Service, led by Mrs M. Beckwith.