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**NADFAS:** Church recorders have completed their work in St. Peter's Church, Bridge. The record was presented by Mrs Pam Young to the Rev Paul Filmer at Evensong on Sunday June 24. A photographic record of the kneelers was presented by Mrs Ailsa Williamson Powell and a new kneeler worked and presented by Mrs Elizabeth Stewart carried the NADFAS logo. The church recorders have moved on to St. Mary's Church, Patrixbourne.

**Fish Scheme:** The next Pop-In coffee morning will be on Wednesday July 9 from 10-11.15 am in the village hall. Anyone requiring a lift contact Ann Medhurst on 01227 830762.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** The next meeting will be in the Hunter Room of the village hall at 7.30 pm on Thursday July 10. All members of the village are welcome to attend. This may well be the last occasion that the meeting will be held at this venue as there is no meeting in August. From September, the monthly meetings will be held in the main village hall, for a trial period of six months and if satisfactory will continue there.

**Newsagent:** For many years a well-known landmark in the centre of the village, certainly within the living memory of most of us, has now closed its doors for the last time. The business has been transferred to the Bridgeway Stores and its opening times adjusted accordingly.

There is some concern in the village as to what will happen to the vacated premises.

**History Society:** Twenty members enjoyed an outing to Deal during June. They spent the first hour touring the Deal Maritime and Lifeboat museum, followed by a guided tour with David Collyer of the historic lanes and streets of Deal, finishing up at the pier. A fish and chips supper was enjoyed at the Lobster Pot cafe on the sea front. The next meeting will be the annual meeting at 7.30 pm in the village hall on Tuesday September 23.

**Gardeners:** Members of Bridge and District Horticultural Society visited Godington Gardens, near Ashford last week. In idyllic weather, they were able to appreciate not only the wonderful lay-out of the gardens and parkland over 500 years, but the wonderful collection of delphiniums in the walled garden, and the modern greenhouses.

**Christian Aid:** The local organiser thanks those who supported the house to house collection for Bridge, Patrixbourne and Bekesbourne when £1,356.18 was banked. More than £620 of the total was gift aided and therefore the true total, after tax allowances were applied, is over £1,500.

Once again thanks to all for your part in achieving this result, to enable Christian Aid to continue and develop its programmes for fair trade and the relief of poverty.

**Church News:** The Health and healing group were unable to meet this week owing to the indisposition of their organiser Kath Pierce. The prayer group will meet by invitation of John and

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Muriel Packer at Netherby, Meadow Close, Bridge, at 7 pm on Thursday, July 10 and also there will be no meeting in August because of holidays. If you have any special requests that need prayerful support phone Kath on 839844, or better still, call in in person; you would be sure of a warm welcome. Thursday July 3, 7.30 pm Deanery meeting, Wingham School; Monday July 7, 7.30 pm Caring and Sharing Group, 20 Riverside Close, Bridge; 8 pm Bridge Digital Camera Club, Plough and Harrow, High Street; Tuesday July 8, 2.30 pm Holy Communion, Churchill House, Bridge; 8 pm Bridge After Eights Group; Wednesday 9 from 6 pm Ears and Beers, Plough and Harow, Bridge; Saturday July 12 The Sing Along tea party has been cancelled.

**Church Services:** Sunday July 6 Trinity 3, 8 am BCP Communion, the Rev J Shorrocks, St Mary's Church, Patricxbourne; 9.30 am Holy Communion, Canon R Humphries, St. Peter's Church, Bridge.

**Other churches in the Bridge Group:** 10 am Family Service, Mrs P Kusel, St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne; 11 am Holy Communion, the Rev D Bretherton, St Mary the Virgin Church, Lower Hardres; 11 am Bridge Methodist Church service led by the Rev B Heather.

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**WI:** Bridge and Patribourne branch members will meet in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30 pm on July 15. The talk by Mr P Shearan is entitled All The World's a Stage. Visitors and new members will be welcome. The competition this month is for an article beginning with A.

**Barbecue:** The benefice summer barbecue run by the Patribourne and Bridge parochial church council will be held on Sunday July 20 at Riverside Cottage, Patribourne at noon. Everyone from the Bridge Benefice is invited to join in the fun. Tickets at £4 adult, £10 family, from Pat on 01227 830668 or Andrea on 830947. Take your own drinks, plates, glasses and cutlery.

**Church Diary:** Monday July 14, 7.30 pm Caring and Sharing Group, The Purlins, Meadow Close, Bridge; July 15, 2.30 pm Holy Communion, Saxon Lodge, Bridge, and 8 pm After Eights Group, Fairview, Bekesbourne; July, 19, Junior Choir Practice, Lower Hardres Church, 10.15 am.

**Church Services:** Sunday July 13 Trinity 4, 10 am Matins Chris Maclean, St Mary's Church, Patribourne; 11 am Family Service, the Rev P Filmer, St. Peter's Church, Bridge. Other Churches in the Bridge Group: 8 am BCP Communion, Mr Filmer, St. Peter's Church, Bekesbourne; 9.30 am Holy Communion, Mr Filmer, St Mary's Church Nackington; 11 am Bridge Methodist Church Holy Communion the Rev H Skinner.

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**Gardeners:** The Nailbourne summer show will be taking place in the school hall on Saturday July 26. Organisers need you all to take part and there is always some member on hand who will be happy to advise you, but you have to be a paid-up member of the society to show. Subscriptions are £4 for a joint/family membership and £2.50 for a single membership. Show schedules are available from Billie Anderson, Colin Swadling, Ann Edmonds or Kathy Wlder or any committee member.

Those members holding cups and trophies awarded at the 2002 show are asked to return them before or on the day, in a condition to award them to this year's winners. They in turn are asked to hand them in immediately so that the engraving for the two years may be completed at the society's expense and they can be returned to the winners as soon as possible.

**Petanque:** The Elham Valley Club is meeting on Sunday July 13 at 11 am at the Terrain on The Triangle, Elham. Everyone is welcome, take your own drink and a picnic.

**Camera Club:** Bridge Digital Camera Club will now meet on the first Monday of the month from 8 to 9.30 pm at the Plough and Harrow, Bridge. If you are interested in digital photography and would like to join them, just drop in, or email for further information at [revpfilmer@btinternet.com](mailto:revpfilmer@btinternet.com)

**Forthcoming Event:** August 22, Harp recital with Camilla Pay and readings of John Betjeman poems by the Betjeman Society; holiday music for children aged 3-12, August 11-14 (Monday to Thursday) 9 am - noon each day at the village hall, violins, cello, flute, clarinet, recorder, keyboard, movement and drama; phone Margaret on 01227 725046.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** A White 4x4 offroad Land Rover 110 series registration G676 YRW was stolen from Saw Mill, Station Road, Bridge between 5pm on June 28 and 9.30am on June 30.

Trading Standards are aware of leaflets being distributed in Kent offering free satellite viewing using "stealth technology". The offer alleges that for just £60 you can have a swipe card giving free

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viewing of all Sky TV including box office films. However the card is just a swipe card with a chip inserted, which never works. When consumers complain, they are told that Sky has changed the details and a further £65 is required for the new codes, which also never work. If anyone receives such a leaflet, the advice is not to take up the offer and to notify Trading Standards on 08457 585497 or by logging on to their website at [www.tradingstandards.gov.uk/kent](http://www.tradingstandards.gov.uk/kent).

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**Friends:** The Nailbourne League of Friends of Canterbury Hospital as part of the League's Golden Jubilee year is having a family ramble and tea on September 7, at 3pm, with an organised country walk from Bridge to Lower Hardres Village Hall for tea. Tickets cost £5 per head or £15 for a family. For booking or more details phone Elizabeth Stewart on 01227 830344 or Kate Whitten on 830748. The Hospital Fair is on August 16, at 1pm at the Kent and Canterbury Hospital.

**Surgery:** Cllr Bill Oakey, city councillor for the North Nailbourne Ward, will be holding his monthly surgery at Bekesbourne Village Hall on Saturday, July 19, from 10am-noon.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** In this hot weather we all leave doors and windows open but beware of thieves who will take advantage and snatch anything within easy reach. Don't leave handbags, wallets, mobile phones etc close to open

windows and doors. It's holiday time and many people will be going away. Make sure you leave your house secure and cancel papers, milk etc. Don't leave ladders lying around in the garden. Ask a neighbour to come in regularly to clear the post. Lights on timers (obtainable at DIY stores) will give the impression the house is occupied.

**Police calls:** For the information of villagers in the Canterbury area, the Area Commander, Supt G.C. Boutridge, says that Kent Police are now grading calls as 'flash' 'high' 'deferred' or 'low'.

Flash calls are attended wherever possible within 10 minutes of the call in urban areas and within 20 minutes in rural areas. In general, police patrols will arrive well within these time limits. Calls that will be graded flash are those where violence is being used or threatened, there is a danger to life, a crime is in progress, an offender has been recently disturbed at a crime scene, a traffic accident resulting in personal injury, or serious traffic congestion. Operators have discretion to include other types of call, depending on the information given.

High calls are those which require a fairly urgent attendance, generally within 45 minutes, but

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which do not meet the flash criteria.

Deferred calls are those where police attendance is required, but not immediately and which can be attended generally within a few hours.

Low calls are those where perhaps a beat officer or any other officer can deal with the matter when next on duty.

Calls requiring flash attendance will generally be phoned in using the 999 system. Other call types or reporting of crimes which are not in action, should be phoned in on 01227 762055.

**Gardeners:** The Nailbourne Horticultural Society's annual summer show will be held in Bridge School Hall on Saturday, July 26. The show will be open from 2.30pm, with the presentation of prizes at 4pm. Teas will be served throughout the afternoon and there will also be a plant stall and raffle. If you have any surplus plants, cuttings, or anything else of interest for the stall, please take it in on the day, or contact Kathy Walder on 01227 830057, evenings, beforehand. The Hall will be open from 8am on the morning of the show and exhibitors will have until 11am to stage their exhibits before judging takes place.

**Mobile Library:** Following the reorganisation of some routes, it has become necessary to alter the timetables for various stops in both Bridge and Patricbourne. The new timetables will start on September 1, as follows:

Bridge Greencourt will be weekly on Thursdays, printed at the moment as 4.45-5.15pm, but this will probably be extended to 5.45pm. Patricbourne St Mary's Road will be fortnightly on Tuesdays, 9.30-9.50am. If you have any queries contact Keith Rundell senior librarian, on 01622 605227.

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the allotments and the land agents are awaiting quotes for sheds and fencing. All the allotments have been allocated. There is a waiting list should any become available in the future. The allotment society will meet next on September 10.

Country eye: It was agreed the parish council would join the Country Eye scheme which aims to provide quick alerts to local crime such as the Lebanese loop, traveller encampments and bogus contractors.

Next meeting: The council will meet next on Thursday, September 11, at 7.30pm, in the village hall.

## BISHOPSBOURNE

**Correspondent:** Malcolm Mitchell, The Old Cottage, Bishopsbourne, CT4 5HT

**Parish Church:** There were no services at St Mary the Virgin Church on Sunday, July 20, but the Eucharist will be celebrated there on Sunday, July 27, at 10am.

Members of the congregation unable to attend will find a welcome at any of the following services being held in other churches in the Barham Downs united benefice, of which Bishopsbourne is a member:

Holy Communion will be celebrated at 8am at St John the Baptist, Barham, and at St Giles's, Kingston, at 6pm. There will also be morning worship at Barham Methodist Chapel.

**Village hall:** Tickets at £5.50 per head are still available for the ploughman's lunch to be held on Saturday, August 2, at Gorsley Lodge, home of Colin and Maureen Baker, to help raise funds for the new curtains in the Conrad Hall. The price of the ticket will include a glass of wine.

To buy tickets contact trustees chairman Sheila Castle on 01227 831184; Philippa Burniston on 01227 830314; or Maureen Baker on 01227 830715.

For an extra 50p you will be able to cross the road to visit Shirley and Tony's novelty garden.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** The monthly meeting was held in the Conrad Hall on Wednesday, July 16, under the chairmanship of Cllr Colin Baker. Clerk Gerald Wenham said he had received apologies for absence from Cllr Nick Rooke.

Cllrs Peter Sinnock and the vice-chairman Malcolm Mitchell were appointed delegates to attend future meetings of the parish council police forum held in Canterbury.

The unfenced well or dene hole in a field at Pheasants Hall, which the council had asked to be made safe, had now been filled in.

Following a request from the council Kent Highways had been to the village to restore Frog Lane to its maximum width and the council expressed its satisfaction with the work.

The chairman referred to the conditions to be fulfilled in order to join the Government's new Quality Parish and Town Council scheme and the benefits which might accrue from it. The booklet issued by the Government to explain the scheme is being circulated among members and will be considered again at the next meeting.

Cllr Baker said he had made inquiries about the provision of affordable houses in the village and had been told that Canterbury City Council would be reasonably sympathetic towards planning applications for such a scheme.

He had also received helpful booklets from the new rural housing enabler, who had offered to attend the next meeting if required.

Members were asked to read the booklets and submit comments to the chairman so that he can decide whether to ask the enabler to attend the meeting.

The council had received an application from the village hall trustees for a grant of £1,000 for new curtains for the windows and stage.

City Cllr Bill Oakey said funding was available from the Kent County Council which required match funding that could be provided by the City Council.

It was agreed that the council should apply for a minimum of £1,000.

The chairman reported that he had attended the Kent Downs area of natural beauty countryside day on June 20 at Westwell and a City Council presentation at The Barn, Kingston, on July 1, to encourage parish councils to produce village design statements. Once agreed, the statements would become supplementary planning guidance to be taken into account by planning authorities when making decisions.

Cllr Baker had also attended the Kent Association of Parish Councils' Canterbury area committee on July 9 at Tyler Hill hall when he had raised the subject of the City Council's concurrent functions grants, pointing out that the total available for the area this year with £84,000 compared with £150,000 the previous year.

There was concern regarding both

the amount of the grant and the method of allocation to parishes.

It had been agreed that he and Cllr K. Terrett, of Adisham parish council, and City Cllr Tony Austin, a member of Kingston parish council, should request a meeting with City Council officers or councillors to discuss the subject as a matter of urgency.

Cllr Oakey gave notice of a meeting of the City Council's rural area members' panel at 7pm on Monday, July 28, at which parish council representatives may ask to speak provided they had given due notice.

The subject of dog fouling was raised and it was agreed to put the question of whether waste bins should be provided on the agenda for consideration at the next meeting.

Cllr Sinnock said drivers of heavy lorries often mistook the lane leading to Flint Cottages, in Bourne Park, as a through road. The council will ask Kent Highways if an appropriate sign could be erected at the lane's junction with Bourne Park Road.

**Planning:** The council is offering no objection to an application for internal alterations and the erection of a summer house in the garden of Forge Cottage, a listed building in The Street.

The council is also offering no objection to Vodaphone's proposal to take down their mast on the Kent County Council site in Coldharbour Lane and replace it with a taller one to improve its mobile phone system.

There will be no meeting of the council during August. The next will be held in the Conrad Hall on Wednesday, September 10, at 7.30pm.

**Cricket:** Bishopsbourne drew with Selsted at their Charlton Park ground on Sunday, July 20.

On Sunday, July 27, their opposition will be Nelson. The game starts at 2.30pm and spectators will be welcome.

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**Famous car:** Chitty Bang Bang returns home to Higham Park, Bridge, on Saturday and Sunday August 2 and 3. The gardens will be open from 10am to 5pm, with crafts, plants, barbecue, morris dancers and more. Admission adults £3.50, children £2.50. It has also been announced that tickets for the concerts, A Celebration of Opera and Song, on August 8 and 9 are now sold out.

**Church Services:** Sunday, July 27  
Trinity 6, 8am BCP Communion  
Canon J. Packer and 6pm Evensong  
Mrs M. Clarke, St Peter's Church  
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REv J. Shorrocks and 4pm Family  
Service, Mr A. Workington, St  
Mary's Church, Patribourne.  
Other Churches in the Bridge  
Group: 9.30am Holy Communion,  
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Nackington; no services at St  
Peter's Church, Bekesbourne, or St  
Mary the Virgin Church, Lower  
Hardres, this weekend; 11am  
Bridge Methodist Church service  
led by the Rev G. Baugh.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** A gold Volvo 340 saloon, part registration number G—CDC has been seen in suspicious circumstances at several locations around Canterbury. If you see it, treat it with caution and phone the Police on 762055.

Are you suffering from the persistent nuisance of anti-social behaviour? There is much which can be done, with the guidance and involvement of the Police and City Council partners, to help tackle persistent nuisance behaviour which is serious enough to degrade the quality of life of citizens who just want to live peacefully. Contact your Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator who will pass on your concerns to the Neighbourhood Watch office. By next week all schools will have closed for the long summer holiday when much damage is often caused to school

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premises. If you have any suspicions of wrong doing, please report it to the Police.

**WI: Bridge with Patrixbournd** branch, at the July meeting, guest speaker Mr Shearan talked about this career with amateur dramatics, illustrated with readings from productions in which he had appeared. Mary Murton won the competition. All are welcome to the coffee morning in the Methodist Church, Patrixbourne Road at 10am on Wednesday, July 30, when there will be a cake stall and bring and buy. The garden meeting on August 19 will be at 26 Western Avenue at 3pm, the stall having a garden theme.

**Summer show: Nailbourne** Horticultural Society's summer show is at Bridge Primary School hall from 2.30-4pm on Saturday July 26.

**The New Close:** The Trustees and senior management of the Kent Community Housing Trust entertained those people who had at sometime or another, supported and encouraged the new development of this residential care home in Conyngham Lane. The occasion was to celebrate the £1m that has been invested at the New Close in the construction of two extensions to provide an additional 23 bedrooms, with en-suite facilities and associated living accommodation, including two enclosed courtyard gardens.

The investment has incorporated the refurbishment of the existing home including redecoration of the lounges, dining area and corridors, the provision of additional assisted bathing facilities, improvements to the laundry, new laundry equipment and external decoration.

decoration.  
For many years the home and the local community enjoyed the large beech tree on the green next to the New Close. Unfortunately, several arboriculturist reports highlighted concerns for the tree's safety and due to its prominent position next to the route used by the primary school and the care home, it was with regret that the trust had to fell the tree in 2002.

The planting of a new, healthy tree is therefore very important to the trust and it is hoped that this will grow to match the beauty of the original tree.

Guests were invited to a guided tour of the building, after which Lady Northbourne chairman of the KCHT welcomed the visitors and invited the leader of Kent County Council, Sir Sandy Bruce-Lockhart, with the assistance of the Reception Class from Bridge and Patricxbourne CEP School, to plant the tree. This was followed by a Blessing by Mrs Margaret Clarke, Lay Reader to the Bridge group of parishes.

The programme ended with songs from the children of the choir of Bridge School, and lunch in a marquee.

**Music time:** Holiday music for children aged from three-12 years, will be provided from August 11-14, 9am to noon each day, at the village hall, High Street, Bridge. It will feature violins, cello, flute, clarinet, recorder, keyboard, movement and drama. For more details phone Margaret on 01227 275046.

**Church News:** The Rev Paul Filmer, Priest-in Charge of the Bridge Group of parishes, is indisposed. The times of services and the names of the celebrants therefore, are likely to be changed at short notice. Parishioners wish him a speedy recovery.

There is to be an After Eights Group social on Tuesday, July 29 at 8pm. Details of change of venue will be available from Pat Dunderdale on 01227 830668.

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**Poppy Appeal:** Owing to the anticipated loss, of perhaps, half a dozen long-term collectors, organisers may have great difficulty in covering the extensive rural area this year. Obviously this is a progressive problem to which there can be no solution unless volunteers come forward.

The Royal British Legion relies almost entirely upon voluntary contributions for its expanding welfare commitments so it would be sad if it had to reduce the wonderful contribution which generous villages have made for so long.

If you can spare a couple of hours please contact Barry Whiting on 01227 830506 as soon as possible.

**Broadband:** BT will not consider installing Broadband unless the campaign receives 200 registrants.

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More than 150 people in Bridge and the surrounding area have already registered so the target is well in sight. If you are interested in ADSL for your home or business, please register your interest at: [www.Broadband4Bridge.cjb.net](http://www.Broadband4Bridge.cjb.net)

Alternatively phone Nick Robinson on 01227 832142 and give your name, address, postcode, phone number and e-mail address. This is a non-profit, non-commercial campaign to promote Broadband in Bridge.

**Royal British Legion:** Nineteen members and guests attended the July meeting of the district branch, with Doug Fenn in the chair. The recent strawberry tea was enjoyable although numbers attending were smaller than hoped. The branch also ran a bring and buy at this event for branch funds. It is hoped to have another beef pudding supper in the autumn. The next two branch meetings are on Tuesday August 12 and Tuesday September 9, both at 8 pm.

**Concert:** Patrixbourne with Bridge parochial church council and the Betjeman Society present, "Harp and Verse for a Summer Evening" on Friday, August 22 at 7 pm in St. Mary's Church, Patrixbourne, with music by Camilla Pay and poetry readings by the Betjeman Players. Tickets at £10 and £5 for children include a light buffet supper. For tickets and more details phone 01227 830947 or 01227 830631. There is a limited number of tickets so book early

**Clic 4:** The Bridge Village School introductory computer course starting on Tuesday September 9 for 10 weeks, is in immediate danger of being cancelled if they are unable to attract enough students of any age to make the course viable. At present there are only eight applicants. The minimum number is 10 and should ideally be 15 as the course will be staffed by two tutors. Each session will last two hours, from 6.30 to 8.30 pm and a fee of £75 will be payable in advance. Contact the parish clerk to reserve a place on 01227 831085. It would be a great shame if the course could not attract at least two extra candidates for a project that could be so great an asset to the village.

**Gardeners:** At the Nailbourne Horticultural Society's summer



asset to the village.

**Gardeners:** At the Nailbourne Horticultural Society's summer show in Bridge School Hall last Saturday, although the number of entries were up on the previous year, the heavy rain of the few days prior to the show took its toll on some of the class entries. Exhibits that were entered, however, provided a good display and cooking and handicraft classes swelled the numbers.

Cup and award winners were: Challenge Cottage Garden Cup, Hans Kollhoff, who also took the Blee Cup for the most points overall and with his wife won the Rose Bowl for husband and wife combined points. Mrs Audrey Kollhoff also shared the Handcraft Silver Salver with Mrs Barbara Beinder. John Barley won the Silver Tankard Collection. Mrs Liz Oakey The Silver Rose for the most flower points. The Anderson Cup and the Hawkins Cup for the best newcomer in the flower and vegetable classes respectively were both won by Mrs U L Smith. The youngest and newest members Samuel and Charlotte Dobson received the Wordsworth Childrens Cup. Colin Swadling beat the ladies to the Fremmins Challenge Cooker Cup, husband and wife team Kathy and Tony Walder received the tankard for the best vegetable garden. Mrs Billie Anderson The Floral Art Cup and The Salver for the prettiest small garden.

Exhibit winners B Anderson two firsts, one second, one third; J Atkins 2-1-2; J Barley 3-1-3; B Beinder 1-0-0; B Cope 2-2-2; K Cryer 1-0-1; S Dobson 1-0-0; C Dobson 1-0-0; A Demonds 1-0-2; J Foster 0-1-1; B Hill 0-1-1; J Hopkins 1-1-1; D King 3-1-0; M Jones 0-0-1; A Kollhof 3-3-1; H Kollhoff 6-5-1; B Oakey 3-1-4; L Oakey 4-2-3; A Payne 0-1-1; D R Powell 0-1-0; A Williamson-Powell 1-0-0; U L Smith 2-4-4; J Stewart 1-1-0; C Swadling 1-2-0; K and T Walder 3-4-1.

Teas were served during the afternoon, there was a plant stall and a raffle. The afternoon ended with the president, Mr J Anderson, giving the cups and awards to winners. He also thanked the chairman, Roger Austin and his

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committee members for their work in organising the afternoon, and, also all the members who exhibited.

**Rainbows:** During July, the Bridge Rainbows visited Farming World near Faversham, and joined up with over 100 other Rainbows from units as far away as Ashford and Tenterden. They had a great fun day, and enjoyed a tractor ride around the farm, as well as an amazing display of birds. They also had a good time in the numerous playgrounds, especially on the flying fox, which proved a great entertainment. With all this going on they almost forgot to look at the animals, where they slept and what they ate. They thank everybody who helped to organise the trip. For more information on becoming a Rainbow, contact Sarah Wetherell or Maggie Field.

**Church Services:** Sunday August 3  
Trinity 7. 8 am BCP Communion  
Canon R Humphries, St. Mary's  
Church, Patricbourne, 9.30 am  
Holy Communion Canon  
Humphries, St. Peter's Church,  
Bridge. Other churches in the  
Bridge group: 10 am Family  
Service, Mrs P Kusel St. Peter's  
Church, Bekesbourne 11 am Holy  
Communion and Baptisms Canon  
A Duke, St. Mary the Virgin Lower  
Hardres; 11 am Bridge Methodist  
Church Service led by the Rev B  
Heather.