

SATURDAY 12 MAY 2018

## KHF CONFERENCE

The Annual Kent History Federation One Day Conference will be held at Canterbury Christchurch University (subject to confirmation)- a convenient location for our members so please do attend.

The application form and details can be obtained by completing the slip on the Visit Booking Form.

FRIDAY 22 JUNE 2018

## VISIT TO SALUTATION GARDEN SANDWICH

Following on Steven Edney's talk on the Salutation Garden at Sandwich we have arranged a dusk visit for 2 hours, hopefully on a balmy summer's evening, with a glass of champagne included. Entry is from the car park, Quayside Sandwich

6.00 pm Meet at Salutation, Gardens, Sandwich  
Members only £15 dg

## MEMBERSHIP

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 by email as required.

THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2017

## 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.

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

County-wide aspects are served through the Society's membership of the Kent History Federation.

The evening meetings are informal and sociable and include refreshments. 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.

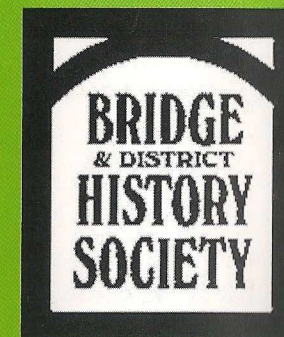
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# Programme 2017-2018



**THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2017**

**KENT'S CINQUE PORTS**

Sheila Sweetinburgh of Canterbury Christ Church University will talk about Kent's Cinque Ports in the Middle Ages and of their unique status under the law. This talk will be preceded by a short Annual General Meeting.

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7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall.

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00 dg

**THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER 2017**

**BRIDGE CHURCH**

The history and fabric of St. Peter's Bridge will be unveiled by Alan Barber and others in an audio visual anthology presentation. All proceeds from this meeting will go to Church restoration funds.

7.30 pm St. Peter's Church, Bridge

Members and non-members £5.00 ab

**THURSDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2017**

**THE BAEDEKER RAIDS**

A talk on the effects of the Baedeker air raids on Canterbury in 1942 by Paul Bennett, M.B.E., Director of Canterbury Archaeological Trust. Paul is always an interesting speaker with a wealth of knowledge of his subject.

7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall.

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00 mc

**FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER 2017**

**CHRISTMAS EVENING**

Our annual Christmas Social evening will take place at the White Horse this year and there will be a photo quiz (with larger photos) and a raffle. Choice of menu and a drink on arrival (glass of wine or soft drink) included

7.00 pm for 7.30 pm. White Horse Inn Bridge

Members £15.00, non-members £25.00 jc

**THURSDAY 18 JANUARY 2018**

**HIDDEN CASTLES AND GARDENS OF THE SOUTH EAST**

Anthea Bryant is well known to us as she has given us many talks and is always an interesting and engaging speaker. Her topic for this talk will be the Hidden Castles and Gardens of the South East.

7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall.

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00 mc

**THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2018**

**SALUTATION SANDWICH**

Steven Edney, Head Gardener of the Salutation, Sandwich will outline the history of the garden designed in 1912 by Sir Edward Lutyens. This will be followed by a visit to the gardens in June

7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall.

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00 dg

**THURSDAY 15 MARCH 2018**

**THE CATCH CLUB**

In the days before the wonders of television the Catch Club was an 18th - 19th century (1779-1865) club in Canterbury for those interested in music and singing. We will have an interesting and unusual talk by Chris Price with audio recordings of some of their music.

7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall.

Members £4.00, non members £5.00 rw

**THURSDAY 19 APRIL 2018**

**TRINITY HOUSE**

Trinity House is the guardian of our shores with its lighthouses and other navigational aids for shipping. David Whitehead, an ambassador for Trinity House will enlighten us on its history and hopefully on its connection with Bridge.

7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall.

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00 jh

**THURSDAY 17 MAY 2018**

**PILGRIM INNS**

A members' evening talk by David Gilmour on the Pilgrim Inns of Canterbury, which included the Checker of the Hope and the Bull Inn as well as Eastbridge Hospital.

After the talk there will be an included buffet.

7.30 pm White Horse Inn, Bridge

Members only £7.50 dg