

Wednesday June 19th 2019

Tour of Wingham

David Eaves will be our guide on this tour of Wingham.

We will meet at 6pm at Wingham Village Hall, School Lane, CT3 1BD

Cost for Members and non-members: -
£5.00 to be collected on the evening.

A.W

Thursday September 20th 2018 Annual General Meeting

The first meeting of the year will be preceded by a short Annual General Meeting, to review last year's 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.

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.

£7 per person ←

Bridge and District History Society

The Society was formed in 1995 to promote interest in aspects of local history in and around the villages of Barham, Kingston, Bekesbourne, Bishopsbourne, Bridge and Patixbourne.

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 member's 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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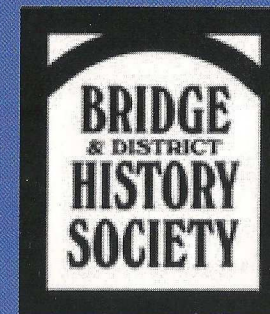
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Programme 2018 -2019



**Thursday September 20th 2018:
Jackie Eales - Witchcraft in Early Modern
Canterbury and Kent**

The witchcraft trials of the 16th and 17th centuries have attracted a lot of historical attention and misunderstanding. In the course of this talk, Jackie Eales will examine how witchcraft accusations in Tudor and Stuart Canterbury and Kent, can be interpreted in the light of recent research.

7.30pm Bridge Village Hall.
Members £4.00, non-members £5.00

J.V

**Thursday October 18th 2018:
Geaff Downer - Something Different**

This talk by Geoff Downer will include various links to Kent including three 16th century Arctic expeditions; probably the biggest financial scandal of Elizabeth 1st reign and Pirates!

7.30pm Bridge Village hall
Members £4.00, non-members £5.00

J.H

**Thursday November 15th 2018:
Steve Norris - "Greta" The Story of a
Thames Barge**

"Greta" is a Thames sailing barge built in 1892 to be used to transport cargo on the River Thames and Thames Estuary. She still works to this day providing Thames sailing barge day trips.

Her owner and Skipper, Steve Norris will tell us more about this iconic vessel.

7.30pm Bridge Village Hall
Members £4.00, non-members £5.00

J.V

**Friday December 14th 2018:
Christmas Social**

Our annual Christmas Social Evening will again take place at the "White Horse" this year, at a subsidised cost of £15 for Members.

A choice of menu and a drink on arrival (glass of wine or soft drink) is included.

**Thursday January 17th 2019:
Dick Bolton - "Windows, Walls and
Weather Vanes"**

By studying a group of historic small towns and villages in East Kent, Dick Bolton will show how our buildings and their decoration have evolved over nine hundred years. These have been influenced by Canterbury Cathedral, by local and imported materials, foreign ideas and fashions, taxes, trade and ambition.

7.30pm Bridge Village Hall
Members £4.00, non-members £5.00

J.B

**Thursday February 21st 2019:
Jenny Watson-Bore - "Princess
Pocahontas" - America and England**

In March 2017 it was 400 years since Princess Pocahontas or Mrs. John Rolfe, died at Gravesend aged just 21. She was the favourite daughter of Chief Powhatan, a powerful Native American Chief, She was welcomed in England by King James I and nicknamed "La Belle Sauvage".

7.30pm Bridge Village Hall
Members £4.00, non-members £5.00

R.W

**Thursday March 21st 2019:
Paul Bennett - Excavations in Canterbury.**

Paul Bennett MBE, Director of Canterbury Archaeological Trust, will talk about the recent excavations in and around Canterbury and describe some of the most interesting and exciting finds the Trust has made.

7.30pm Bridge Village Hall.
Members £4.00, non-members £5.00

M.C

**Thursday April 18th 2019:
Heather Newton - Conservation at the
Cathedral:**

Heather Newton was Head of Stone-masonry until 2016 when she became Head of Conservation at Canterbury Cathedral. She will talk to us about the many and varied conservation tasks being undertaken at this most important of Canterbury's ancient buildings

7.30pm Bridge Village Hall
Members £4.00, non-members £5.00

M.C

**Thursday May 16th 2019:
Alan Barber - Edwardian Bridge**

Step back in time to see our village through the eyes of a journalist from Dover writing in 1902. Using that writer's words, Alan Barber has added pictures and other details to present an intriguing impression of Bridge around the time of the coronation of King Edward VII.

7.30pm Bridge Village Hall
Members £4.00, non members £5.00

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