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HOP HOODENING SERVICE AT CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL

On Saturday, 9th September 2006, there will be a service of Hop Hoodening in Canterbury Cathedral, beginning at 11.00 am and preceded by a procession through the Precincts by the Hop Queen, Laura Gray, accompanied by groups of Morris Men. Hop Hoodening is a harvest festival for the hop growers of East Kent and will involve a blessing of the hops by the Archdeacon of Canterbury, the Ven Patrick Evans, and a dance by the Ravensbourne Morris Men. After the service, there will be more Morris dancing in the Cathedral Precincts. The Lord Mayor of Canterbury, Cllr Pat Todd, will read a lesson.

Please let me know by midday on Friday 8th September if you would like to attend the service or the Morris dancing afterwards.

If you require any more information, please contact either Christopher Robinson on 07759 215537 or David Stephens, Bagman and Archivist, Wantsum Morris Men, 28 Clifton Road, Ramsgate, Kent, CT11 0RE, Tel & Fax 01843-591701, E-mail david.stephens@ukgateway.net