# The Eastling Youth Festival

Here are some of the thoughts, wishes and prayers from the young people who visited the S.Club tent at the Youth Festival in July.

I wish that everyone would be kind and there would be no hatred Learn more and listen to others A happy long life Be friends Stop pollution in the world I want to read better Thank you that ot turned sunny YAY! God loves us trust in him he will come when you call Amen I want it to be warmer outside RF Let it SHINE

BE HAPPY

Don't bully others

I wish there could be no wars!

I thought we should have no wars Thank you for making this day fun Lots of money for the new youth worker Love Others Rest

Just Smile

Thank you for visiting the tent. The winner of the box of chocolates was Mia Bernthal. Well Done

I wish I could be better at maths and

What a big big thank you to you all for such a great day, even the soggy start could not dampen your spirits! You have put Eastling on the map and everybody now knows how special you all are.

God Bless Lorraine.



# Stalisfield Family Club

Just a reminder that all families are welcome to the Family Club on the last Saturday of each month at the Village Hall. We're changing our time from 6.30 start to a 7.00pm start as this seems to suit most families who have been attending.

We've had some very enjoyable evenings so far, from scaelextrics, to remote control cars, to making water bombs. We've had some great board games and craft activities and hope that the club will continue to grow in popularity.

Children are encouraged to bring a toy or game to share and play with the others, and parents can join in, or just relax. Occasionally our evenings have followed a loose theme. The September one (with a date change to 22nd) will be Scaelextric and craft, with October being Halloween (hope you've all got pumpkins growing!)

Please feel free to make suggestions on ideas or activities for the club. If there are any sports coaches or parents with expertise in a particular sport (table tennis/football/rounders etc etc) who could offer their services on an infrequent basis, or maybe someone who could run a chess afternoon or similar with the children then please contact me on 01795 890334, your services would be greatly appreciated even if just as a one-off special event.

Our aim is still to get the village children playing with each other on a regular basis, and so far there have been some healthy friendships made at the club. We do ask that parents stay to supervise their children (it's simpler for insurance etc), and so far the evenings have been most enjoyable for parents too!

Please join us on the last Saturday of the month from 7pm.

Hope to see you soon.



# **Jiggling Jumper**

MOUSE HOLE

Cut 4 strips of stiff card 2cm wide x 16cm long.

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Punch a small hole in the centre and 1cm in from each end.

Join together with paper fasteners.

Cut a strip 2cm wide and 5cm long. Punch a hole 1cm from one end and asten 🗀 → in front of the strips

through the top centre holes to make a neck. Cut a circle 5cm wide. glue unto the neck strip and draw on a face. Cut, colour and glue on hands and feet. Push and pull the feet to

God!

make him jump and praise

# The Crippled Man

At the gate to the temple a man sat. He was crippled, he couldn't walk. As he couldn't walk, he couldn't work so he had to sit by the gate and beg.

One day he saw the Apostles Peter and John as they came to the temple to pray. He asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him and said:

"Silver and gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth walk"



Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. He jumped to his feet and began to walk, and went with them into the temple walking, jumping and praising God.

Read this story in Acts 3:11-16

## Hop, Skip and Jump! running games



Tuck a hanky into the back of your belt leave it hanging like a tail then run around and try to pull out another player's 'tail' The last one with a

Catch My Tail

tail' wins. Shadow Tag One person is 'it'. Catch the the other players by jumping on their shadows

# Stalisfield Highlife

Excitement is slowly building in Stalisfield in anticipation of the

# Annual **VILLAGE FETE**

scheduled to take place on

# Stalisfield Green on Saturday 25th August at 2pm.

Children will be well catered for with a craft stall, 'tattoo and nail bar', teddy tombola, races and competitions in talent and skill. Details will be circulated on the flyer to be distributed shortly.

There will also be stalls offering Home

Produce, Bric-a-Brac, Books and Fine Food for the famished.



Rats will be splatted, pigs will race, the hardy will brave the greasy pole and the fit and heavy will be tugging belligerently on a rope.

You will be offered the opportunity to win, by chance or by skill, unbelievable prizes, including a Barrow-load of Bottles. To top it all, there will be Music and Line Dance instruction. Offers of help-on-the-day and items for sale, especially baked goods and produce, will be welcomed by Ian on 01795 890475, or Kim on 01233 713579.

As an added incentive to come to Stalisfield, the Plough Beer Festival coincides with the fete that weekend.

Come and join us for **SUMMER FUN.** You daren't stay away!



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August 2007

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~ Plus lots of stalls ~

and other attractions.

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**August Bank Holiday** 

# **Family** Barbecue

at Eastling Village Hall

4.00 pm till 8.00pm (or later!) Monday, 27th August

£5.00 Adult; £2.00 Children (under 12's) £12 FAMILY (2 adults; 2 children) Proceeds to be split between village hall funds and youth worker activities.

Essential to book please by calling Emma on 07940 490 896

The news magazine for the combined parishes of Eastling and Stalisfield with Otterden

### Listen to the small voice....

In a recent interview, the world's richest man Bill Gates, was asked why he had decided to set-up his project but none-the-less draw our attention to the danger and distress they face, that effects us all sooner or later. In each case they said it is because "people matter".

I'm reminded of the story of the mouse who looked through a crack in the wall to see the farmer and his wife opening a package; Ummh! what food might it contain? He was aghast to discover that it was a mousetrap! Retreating to the farmyard, the mouse proclaimed the warning, "There is a mouse trap in the house, there is a mouse trap in the house."

the 'Gates Foundation', which now gives away billions of dollars each year in third world aid. Elton John, Bob Geldolf and Bono, to name a few, have also set up projects or championed similar causes to help those in need – to 'make poverty history' – to fight aids. 'Comic Relief' has worked tirelessly to raise awareness of those whose voice is small,

# Prayer **Pointers** August 2007



**Sundays** For Church Unity

For Readers; those newly <u>Mondays</u> licensed and those entering the ministry.

**Tuesdays** For all whose homes were flooded as they struggle to

return to normal.

For all the children who <u>Wednesdays</u> left their primary schools to go on to secondary

education, especially those from Eastling School. For peace in our world

<u>Thursdays</u> and success for Tony Blair's new role.

**Fridays** For those we know who are unwell or recovering

and for carers.

Saturdays For all those away on holiday and those holidaying at home.

The chicken clucked and scratched. raised her head and said, "Mr. Mouse, I can tell you this is a grave concern to you, but it is of no consequence to me; I can't be bothered."

The mouse turned to the pig and told him. "I am so very sorry Mr. Mouse," sympathized the pig, "but there is nothing I can think of to do about it. Surely someone else will step in to

The mouse turned to the cow, who replied, "Like wow, Mr. Mouse, a mouse trap; am I in grave danger, Duh?" So the mouse returned to the house, head down and dejected to face the farmer's mousetrap alone.

That very night a sound was heard throughout the house, the mousetrap had snapped shut. The farmer's wife rushed to see what was caught. In the darkness, she did not see that it was a venomous snake whose tail the trap had caught. The snake bit the farmer's wife. The farmer rushed her to the hospital.

She returned home with a fever. Now everyone knows you treat a fever with fresh chicken soup, so the farmer took his hatchet to the farmyard for the soup's main ingredient.

His wife's sickness continued so that friends and neighbours came to sit with her around the clock. To feed them, the farmer butchered the

The farmer's wife did not get well, in fact, she died, and so many people came for her funeral the farmer had the cow slaughtered to provide meat for all of them to eat. No prizes for quessing the moral to this story.

This leads me to recall the words of Jesus, who when asked for his view, said this: 'that what we do or do not do for the least of those around us, we do or do not do for him'. Unfortunately, I've run out of space – but if you care to turn to Matthew 25 verses 31-46 in your Bible, the full narrative is given. It's an awesome challenge!

Mark Harlow

## JOY TO EASTLING **YOUTH WORK 2007-10**

We look forward to welcoming Joy Faulkner to Eastling in September to carry on the wonderful work Jo has started in the 10 months she has been with us.

So far we have achieved

A weekly Youth Group A Christian cell group now meets weekly A youth band is in its infancy 2 successful holidays clubs with the best yet to come Fortnightly Saturday Club Involvement at the Vegetable Plot Involvement at Eastling and The Abbey schools Help with Puppet Club The continued success of

Bible teas.

Joy will be with us for 3 years as part of her degree course in Youth Ministry. This is a great opportunity for us in the communities of Eastling, Stalisfield and Otterden to give all our young people fun and teachings in both Christian and secular areas.

The benefits to our youth are immeasurable - however such a scheme comes at a cost and major fund raising is required. The annual cost is approx £10kand so far we have raised £6,500, so still a long way to go and this is only for the first year!!

If you have any ideas for youth work (primarily aged 11 upwards) or for fund raising activities they are prepared to undertake, please contact Caroline, Leigh or Liz who would be most grateful to hear from you.

### **Mobile Library**

comes to Eastling, Glebe Cottages 10.50 - 11.05am August 14th and 28th Open to all for: Books, children's books, story tapes, & DVDs

Remember to include your events, information and photos on the local websites: Otterden Online - the community website for Otterden and Warren Street: www.northdowns. plus.com/otterden/

Eastling Village community website (including The Forum): www.eastling.info

"Good News" - the parish magazine for Eastling, Otterden and Stalisfield: www.northdowns. plus.com/goodnews/

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## **Eastling Parish Council**

Eastling Parish Council held its regular bi-monthly meeting on Wednesday 11th July 2007.

The Street, the Faversham Rural Team was informed. Residents are requested to remain cautious and to check that windows are closed and doors locked to help deter thieves in the future.

The Chairman and Cllr Bailey attended the presentation of Ospringe Parish Council's Design Statement. They both felt it was a very impressive document and offered congratulations to all those involved in its production.

The Treasurer reported £4,179.00 on deposit and only £300.00 in the current account following the Council's £1,000.00 donation to the Youth Worker fund for the coming year. Cllr West expressed his thanks on behalf of the Parochial Church Council. The Annual return has been submitted with, as yet, no adverse comments.

Cllr Bailey attended a meeting relating to the production of Parish Plans. Parish Plans are different from the Village Design Statement which will be phased out, having less influence on planning applications in the future. There is no further financial assistance available for such projects and printing costs could prove prohibitive. It was suggested that the Design Statement be completed in its present form, be submitted to the Council for approval and then published on the Village Website. If, as a result, there is a perceived need for a Parish Plan, the matter could be reconsidered at a later date.

The Warden reported a relatively quiet 
Cllr Bikerdike advised the Council that the time, but there had a 'break-in' at a Police Officer in charge of the Speed Watch property in Kettle Hill Road and one in presentations had been changed. He will resubmit his file of correspondence and await a reply. Since the Church path has been cut there

has been an increased amount of fouling

by dogs. Dog owners are requested to clear up after their dogs. The Clerk also drew the Council's attention to the many private hedges restricting the width of the road because they had not been cut back as far as they should be. Parts of Newnham Lane and the footpath along by Prospect Place were particularly restricted, also the sight line from the Church car park was in need of attention. The Council asked the Clerk to advise the Kent Highways accordingly. Residents will be aware of the double bin collection system is imminent. It also appears that some households have not received their letter from Swale Borough Council giving details of how the new system will be implemented: For all Eastling homes collection day has changed to Wednesday. This will start on 25th July with the green bin, the first blue bin collection, for recycling paper, tins, plastics and glass, will be 1st August.

Next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th September 2007 at

For further recycling advice, phone Swale Borough Council customer services on 01795 417888.

Please continue to use the paper recycling bins at the village hall which do provide essential income for the hall.

## **Eastling Neighbourhood Watch.**

Contact numbers:

Parish/Village Warden Telephone 07794010394 Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 (24 hours, free and anonymous) Sittingbourne police station 01795 477055 Emergencies or crime in progress always use 999

With the school summer holidays is there for the use of everyone so when driving around the village.

warden.

Again to emphasise the Church path Have a good month

now upon us please take extra care dog owners are politely requested to clear up after their dogs.

If you are going on holiday please Any unusual cars etc seen parked in make sure all your windows and the village please do not hesitate to doors are all securely locked and to give me a call as has been proved inform your neighbours as if they see over the last couple of months the anything suspicious around the area system does work and we do receive they can inform the police or the an excellent response from the Po-

Alan

# Services in our Churches

## 5th August Trinity 9

Colossians 3. 1 - 11, Luke 12. 13 - 21

Eastling 10 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)
Otterden 3 p.m. Evening Prayer (BCP)

## 12th August Trinity 10

Hebrews 11. 1 - 3,8 - 16, Luke 12. 32 - 40

Eastling 8 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling 10 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)
Stalisfield 10 a.m. Morning Prayer (BCP)

## 19th August Trinity 11

Hebrews 11. 29 - 12. 2, Luke 12. 49 - 56

Stalisfield 10 a.m. Holy Communion (CW) Eastling 10 a.m. Morning Prayer (BCP)

## 26th August Trinity 12

Hebrews 12. 18 - end, Luke 13. 10 - 17

Stalisfield 8 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)
Eastling 10 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)

## 2nd September Trinity 13

Hebrews 13. 1 - 8, 15 - 16, Luke 14. 1, 7 - 14

Eastling 8 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling 10 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)
Otterden 3 p.m. Evening Prayer (BCP)

(BCP) Service taken from the Book of Common Prayer, 1662. (CW) Service follows Common Worship Liturgy, 2000

## 8am Holy Communion

PLEASE NOTE THAT, FROM 2nd September, there will be an 8am Holy Communion (Prayer Book/1662) in St Mary's Church, Eastling every Sunday.

This is a benefice service and open to all.

There is no Freestyle or Youngstyle in August, in their place will be 10am Holy Communion (Common Worship).



## Mid Week Fellowship

Monday Prayer Group Tuesday Study Group 2pm Seven Acres, Newnham Lane. 8pm Pinks Farm - No meetings in August - resume on 4th September.

Thursday Prayer Group 10.15am Pinks Farm.

New members welcome at any midweek group

# Ministry in our Parishes

Priest Reverend Caroline Pinchbeck (01795 890487) in The Rectory, Newnham Lane, Eastling

Charge Faversham ME13 0AS

<caroline.pinchbeck575@btinternet.com>

Curate Reverend Angela Cheeseman (01795 892124) New House Farm, Eastling, ME13 0BN

Reader Mr. Norman Fowler (01795 890412)

4 Meesons Close, Eastling.

Reader Mr. Hugh Perks (01795 890603)

Weald Cottage, Eastling.

#### **Churchwardens**

Eastling Mr S. Youle (01795 890368) Mrs. A. Smith (01795 890469)

**Stalisfield with Otterden** 

Mrs P. Thompson (01795 890376) Mr M. Beckenham (01795 892079)

#### **Contacting the Church's staff**

For general enquiries and for specific enquiries about Weddings or Baptisms please phone 01795 890487. If you would like the parish staff to conduct a funeral, either in our churches or elsewhere, please ask the funeral director to make the necessary arrangements.

## Services at Whitehill Chapel

5th August 10a.m. Brunch - Continental Style 10.40 a.m. Family People's Choice

7th August 2.15 p.m. Holy Communion 11 a.m. People's Choice

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals at Whitehill, please contact Revd. P. Barker on 01227 463180

## From the Registers

#### **Baptism**

JEMIMA ROSE Wilson 23rd June 2007 at Eastling

DAISY JANE Kench 15th July 2007 at Eastling

SHANNON Thompson and JACQUELINE Thompson 22nd July 2007 at Eastling

#### **Confirmation**

Helen Davies
Jordan Davies
Lewis Fellows

24th June 2007 at St. Mary of Charity, Faversham

#### **Funerals**

Stanley Victor (Stan) HALES 17th July 2007

Funeral at Eastling followed by Cremation at Charing

Joan Ethel Phyliss DODDS 20th July 2007 Cremation at Charing

## A tribute to John Bunyan – author of Pilgrim's Progress

The Common Worship Lectionary gives John Bunyan 30 August as his special day.

After the Bible, John Bunyan's wonderful Christian allegory, the 'Pilgrim's Progress', is one of the most celebrated and widely-read books in the English language.

It has been translated into more than one hundred languages around the world and keeps its place as a Christian classic. Names of people and places from its pages have been commonplace wherever English is spoken. We need only re-call Mr Great-Heart, Mr Valiant-for-Truth, Giant Despair, Madame Bubble, the Slough of Despond, Vanity Fair, the Delectable Mountains, the Hill Difficulty and the Celestial City. But who was John Bunyan and what inspiration lay behind the writing of 'Pilgrim's Progress'?

Bunyan was born on 28 November 1628, at Elstow, near Bedford, England, of a poor family. He had little formal education and his father taught him to be a metal worker and so he was commonly known as a 'tinker.' He joined Cromwell's parliamentary army and had a narrow escape from death. His first wife died young and he was left with three small children. His second wife, Elizabeth, helped him considerably with his blossoming literary career.

His conversion was the result of reading the Bible, devotional writings and the witness of local Christians. From that time the Bible became the great inspiration of his life. He wrote more than fifty books, all concerning various aspects of the Christian faith and Christian experience. A Baptist by conviction, he had little time for the Established Church or its liturgy. His book, 'I Will Pray With The Spirit', was directed against the use of the Prayer Book. Among his other publications were 'Grace Abounding to the Chief of Sinners', (autobiography) 'The Holy City', 'One Thing is Needful', 'Resurrection of the Dead', 'Prison Meditations', 'The Barren Fig Tree', and, 'Light for Those That Sit In Darkness'.

Following his conversion Bunyan became a popular preacher. However, because of his well-known opposition to the Established Church and because he did not have a Church of England preaching licence, he was imprisoned in 1661. It was in prison that he wrote 'Pilgrim's Progress'. It was not only Bunyan's greatest book but was destined to become one of the most popular Christian books in the world.

Using the words and the doctrines of the King James Bible, it is in two parts. The first part tells of a man called Christian. Through reading the Bible he learns he is a sinner and comes under deep conviction of sin. He leaves home to seek salvation and is directed by Evangelist to the Wicket Gate. Eventually he finds 'the place of deliverance.' The burden (of sin) rolls from his back and he sets out for the Celestial City. The remainder of Book I relates his experiences in being a Christian pilgrim. Book II tells how Christian's wife, Christina, with their four sons and one daughter, set out on the same pilgrimage.

'Pilgrim's Progress' is an allegory, using the names of people and places from the Bible to teach spiritual lessons. Bunyan had the great gift of being able to teach Christian spiritual truth from biblical characters, events and places. The vivid and unforgettable imagery in the Pilgrim's Progress covers the whole Christian gospel from sin and condemnation all the way through faith, repentance, grace, justification, sanctification, and perseverance to heaven itself.

Bunyan died on 31 August 1688. In a short sketch it is impossible to do justice to his many writings, and least of all to the Progress. His portrayal of the death of Mr Valiant For Truth is Bunyan at his allegorical best. This brave old soldier of Jesus Christ has received his summons to 'go home.' Calling his friends together he says, 'My sword I give to him who shall succeed me in my pilgrimage and my courage and skill to him that can get it. My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me, that I have fought His battles, Who will now be my rewarder.' When the day that he must go hence was come, many accompanied him to the river-side, into which, as he went, he said, 'Death, where is thy sting'? And as he went down deeper, he said, 'Grave, where is thy victory?' So he passed over, and all the trumpets sounded for him on the other

By Dr H B McGonigle, Senior Lecturer in Historical Theology, Church History and Wesley Studies in Nazarene Theological College, Manchester.



# **Organ Concerts**

at Faversham Almshouses Chapel at 7.30 p.m.

2nd August, Christopher Moore 9th August, Robert Tapsfield, 16th August, Colin Parsons, 23rd August, Peter Litman, 30th August, Neil Wright,

Afterwards there will be time to chat and enjoy light refreshments in The Linda Head Room at the back of The Chapel.

Also on Saturday, 6th October, 7 p.m., Canterbury Cathedral Young Choristers will give a Concert.

The Chapel seats 70 comfortably and every pew is well cushioned! All are welcome. Car Park it is free after 6 p.m. and it is a short walk up South Road.

Vicky Shepherd. Trustee.

### Moza

Serenade for thirteen winds k361 Serenade in C minor k388

#### Beethoven

Octet in E flat major op103

Friday 24th August at 7.30pm St Mary's Church, Faversham

Tickets £10 available on the door or by calling 07970 020023.

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Sunday 5th August Ospringe Church 11.30am

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ALL ARE VERY WELCOME Our first event last summer, was a great success and we hope to see even more people this year.

WE KNOW IT WON'T RAIN! But if it does - it will be inside the church, so come whatever the weather. Bring something for our chefs to cook for you; salads, bread, soft drinks and hot drinks provided. Please come and sing feast and enjoy good company. Ted Bowers & Co.



No Craft Club meetings in August - Date of next meeting will be in September Good News.

Talisfield church needs you to take part in the Friends of Kent Churches Sponsored "Bike" Ride on Saturday, September 8th 2007.

Make it a day out with the family, take the bikes to another area, say Romney marsh and visit the churches there or if on foot try Rochester or Canterbury. The money you raise will be shared between your chosen church and the Friends of Kent Churches; a charity which help with grants to maintain churches. We may need their help one day!

Stalisfield church will be open 10.00am -6.00pm serving refreshments including hot soup, rolls and cakes. Also a cake and preserves stall and displays of church history and photos of wildlife in the churchyard. So drop in and pay us a visit. If you can bike, hike or ride for any of our churches, please contact the following for information and sponsorship forms, or if you can help on the day:

STALISFIELD - Pat Thampson, 01795 890376, <pat@dumpy.plus.com> EASTLING: Audrey Smith, 01795 890469.

WHITEHILL CHAPEL - Bobbie Richards. 01795 532756.

**PUDDLEDUCKS** Parent & Toddler Group at Champion Hall, Painter's Forstal - for children from 18 months to 5 years.

We said goodbye to the children who are starting school in September and ended the term with a small

Our new term starts on Tuesday 4th September and we look forward to welcoming any toddlers and pre-school children on Tuesdays and Fridays 9.30am to 11.25am. Still only £3.50 per session which incudes a snack and drink.

Free tea or coffee for parents. We hope you all have a happy and safe summer holiday! Jill Seaman 01795 890519



## **Painter's Forstal** with Ospringe W.I.

Garden Party Tuesday 21st August 2.15pm at Huda, Eastling Road.



Sponsored Bike Ride

## Bike or Hike

around Kent Churches 10am - 6pm

## Saturday 8th September

No entry fee - all ages welcome. Anyone can ride, or walk, for their local church.

This is an excellent chance to see inside churches which are often closed.



## FRIENDS OF EASTLING SCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who helped to set up the marquees and run the stalls and of course to all who came along to the Summer Fete on 1st July. Thanks also to Stage Antics for their performances and for opening the fete. A total of approximately £1500 will be used to benefit the school children.

Unfortunately the music evening scheduled for 5th July had to be cancelled due to bad weather. Future dates for your diary:

FOES AGM - Thursday, September 27th - 7pm, School Hall Talent Show - Saturday, October 6th - Eastling Village Hall -details to follow.

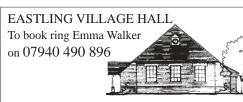
Jill Seaman, FOES Publicity jill.b.s@hotmail.co.uk 01795 890252

### Coffee Pop-In

Many thanks to all our supporters at Pop-In, we hope to see you all again during the autumn term; new faces always welcome.

Wednesday Pop-In reopens on 5th September, 9 - 11am in Eastling Village Hall, when homemade cakes will be on sale.

Everyone welcome, no charge for tea or coffee and we have plenty of toys suitable for toddlers.



A beautiful hall in a lovely village location for your weddi club, sports or meetings.

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## The BIG Mess About !!!

1st the serious bit Well what a lot of mess after your Brilliant Youth Festival How about, during the summer hols, we all come to the church and clean up for 10 minutes as a group.

Don't worry, I will set a timer, there will be no more. Promise. The Fun Bit !!!

Then have a picnic, which I will provide, and, because you all worked so hard on your stalls, we could have some fun for an hour. Go on I will even throw in some prizes.

How about it? Contact Lorraine on 890719. We can choose a day a week for a Mess About.

#### **Afternoon Club**

August activities 2nd - Bingo 16th - Board Games Both meetings start at 2pm in the Champion Hall, Painter's Forstal.



Do you need some fish for your pond? Four carp are in need of a good home.

Please call 07940 490 896.

Brenda and the Bric a Brac Stall

### Stalisfield Fete

Many of you already know Brenda(Newman) suffered a stoke just before the Rogation w/e event at Stalisfield church. Please keep Brenda in your prayers and pop in to visit her at the Cottage Hospital.

We are able to have the Bric a Brac stall Brenda was planning for that event, at the Fete on Stalisfield Green on the August Bank holiday w/e. The money raised will go to Church funds. Audrey Keen and Dorathy Murray have offered to run it. Please support this with donations of good bric a brac and buy something else to fill up the empty space you will have made. It will be great to be able to tell Brenda that "her stall" has raised a good sum of money.

Pat 01795 890376

A Summer Poem

Pink clover, white clover Moon daisies, buttercups and vetch, Brighten the grass meadow And grace the landscape with beauty. The birds sing petulant songs From the adjoining wood, And the summer wind trembles The patterned leaf. While alone, I watch the cantering cloud And feel the richness of the sun. Audrey Keen

## **FITNESS CLASSES**

@ EASTLING VILLAGE HALL

**August Timetable** 

**WEDNESDAY** 7.00pm BUMS & LEGS & **TUMS** 8.00pm SUMMER SALSAcise

Due to clients' & my own holiday commitments There are NO classes on Wednesday 8th August

NO Gentle Exercise & Fitness Pilates Classes during August.

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2nd Afternoon Club Champion Hall 2pm 2nd Organ Concert (C. Moore) 7.30pm Almshouses Chapel 5th Barbecue Praise 11.30am Ospringe Church 9th Organ Concert (R. Tapsfield) 7.30pm Almshouses Chapel 12th Painter's Forstal Fete 2pm Lorenden Meadow 15th Deadline for August Good News 16th Afternoon Club 2pm Champion Hall 16th Organ Concert (C. Parsons) 7.30pm Almshouses Chapel 21st W.I. Garden Party 2.15pm Huda 23rd Organ Concert (Peter Litman)7.30pm Almshouses Chapel 24th Concert 7.30pm Faversham Parish Church 25th Stalisfield Fete The Green 25th Family Club 7pm Stalisfield 'Hut' Eastling Village Hall 27th Barbecue 4pm Pinks Farm 28th Magazine Folding 2pm 30th Organ Concert (Neil Wright) 7.30pm Almshouses Chapel SEPTEMBER 1st / 2nd Faversham Hop Festival 5th Pop-In reopens 9am Eastling Village Hall 12th Parish Council Eastling Village Hall OCTOBER 6th Talent Show Eastling Village Hall DECEMBER 4th Eastling Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch 14/15th Eastling-a-dingdong-singalong **Eastling Church** 

#### **September Good News**

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