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for primary
school aged children
19th February
10am - 11am in
Eastling Village Hall

Youngstyle

26th February
10am in
Eastling Church
Half an hour of fun and worship

Smile Lines

Captain: Why didn't you stop the ball?
Goalie: I thought that's what the net was for.

Two fleas were leaving the cinema and one said to the other: 'Shall we walk or take a dog?'

Dentist: Please stop howling. I haven't even touched your tooth yet.

Patient: I know, but you're standing on my foot.

What did the hamburger say to the tomato?
'That's enough of your sauce.'

Do you enjoy Tennis?

Hi, my name is Jake, I am 10 years old.
I really enjoy tennis. I have the use
of a tennis court, but no one to
play with.

Please call Jake on
01795 890705, or
0775 283 0979

Big Toddle, Big Fun!

If you work with children under 5 then, this year, why not consider joining a Barnardo's Big Toddle? It is a short, sponsored walk which last year saw almost 500,000 Toddlers and more than 10,000 groups register. The Big Toddle 2012 has an optional superheroes dressing up theme, so you can get creative with your costumes!

All the money raised by the Big Toddle goes to local Barnardo's projects for children under 5 throughout the UK. The children's charity works with vulnerable and disadvantaged children and their families. It's all about children helping children.

Whether you are a nursery, an early years group or a childminder, you can register now for the Big Toddle 2012. Simply go to www.bigtoddle.co.uk or call 0845 270 9900.

Congratulations to Jordan, Ben & Angela

for setting up & running a very successful Youth Club for the youth in the village. They have worked so hard to get it up & running, attending various councillors' meetings, putting their case forward & facing every obstacle thrown at them. The youth club is a great success, with 20 - 25 children attending every week, all of whom state they're really enjoying it. Their hard work should be acknowledged, so a big THANK YOU to Jordan, Ben & Angela for not giving up. After all, our children are the future of this village & it's encouraging that they want to be a part of it too.

Well Done.

Youth Club

Come and relax with friends on Sunday evenings at 6.30-8.30pm in Eastling village hall.

It is run by the Youth and supervised by adults. Facilities include snooker table, table tennis, punch bags- also a tuck shop and much more!

If you are between the ages of 10 and 16 come and enjoy yourself!!

For further information

Jordan Turner on 01795

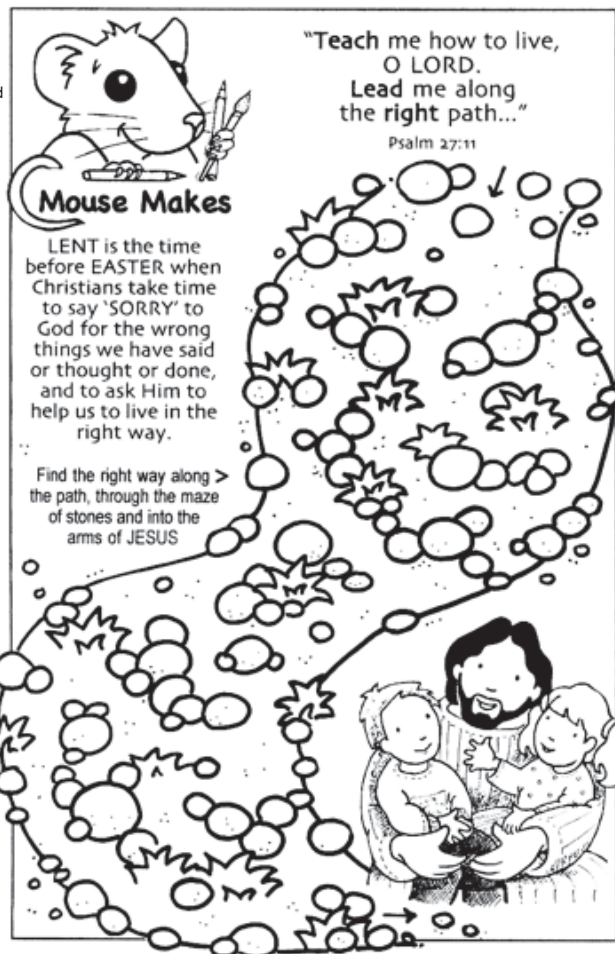
890991,

Ben Parker on 01795

890495, or

Angela Cheeseman on

01795 890629



Good News Parish Magazine February 2012



God's Valentine Gift

God's Valentine gift of love to us
Was not a bunch of flowers;
It wasn't chocolates, or a book
To while away the hours.

His gift was to become a man,
So He could freely give-
His sacrificial love for us,
So you and I could live.

He gave us sweet salvation, and
Instruction, good and true--
To love our friends and enemies,
And love our Saviour, too.

So as we give our Valentines,
Let's thank our Lord and King;
The reason we have love to give-
Is that He gave everything.

By Joanna Fuchs

www.poemsource.com

Eastling Defibrillator News



The defibrillator has now been purchased and is available, with trained personnel, as from the 1st February within the local community.

For more details and contact numbers, please see inside back cover.



The Eastling Church Healing Prayer Support Group has formed a **Prayer Circle**,

so that prayer is available for everyone. If you, or someone you love, is in need of Prayer, please ask us and we will pray for you.

To start ring Chris or Dave on 01795 534083

If we are not available, please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible. Tell us your prayer requests, which will be kept within the group - you need not mention names - and we will pass them on until they return to us and The Circle of Prayer is complete.

Prayer Friends

On the first Sunday of each month, in Eastling Church, members of the Healing Prayer Support Group will be available to pray with anyone in need of prayer, or just wants to talk to the Lord but not sure how to start. The Prayer Friends will be in place after the service. If you are unsure whom to approach, please ask a church warden or anyone wearing a 'Prayer Friend' badge.



The Friends of Canterbury Cathedral GIANT BRING & BUY SALE

Saturday 4th February 2012

In the Chapter House, Cathedral Precincts, Canterbury
10.30am to 1.30pm

Pick up a bargain at The Friends' Giant Bring and Buy Sale!

Labelled clothes, scarves, hats, belts and costume jewellery
Games, toys, books by subject, tombolas
Antiques, unwanted presents and bric a brac
Cakes, refreshments and much more.....

Please bring donated items to the Chapter House on Friday 3rd

February, from 2.30pm to 5.30pm, or on the day from 9.30am

For information call The Friends' Office on 01227 865292

Normal Precincts charges apply Registered charity number 256575

A Day of Healing and Wholeness with

Rev. Dr. Russ Parker
Director of the Acorn Christian Healing Foundation

on
Saturday 9th June 2012
in Eastling Village Hall.

10am - 4pm (registration and coffee from 9.30am)
Cost will be £9 per person. Tea and coffee provided,
please bring your own lunch.

If you would like to book or need further information,
please leave contact details on 01795 890487 or
email: eastlingchurch@gmail.com

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

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 22nd February *a good time to admit you are sorry*

Have you done something which haunts you?

Which makes you feel restless and defensive, every time you think of it?

Why not deal with it this month, and put it behind you?

Whatever your mistake has been, consider what the Bible has to say to you: *'I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance'* (said Jesus). (Luke 5.32)

'Let the wicked change their ways and banish the very thought of doing wrong. Let them turn to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them. Yes, turn to our God, for he will forgive generously.' (Isaiah 55.7)

'The Lord says, "Turn to me while there is still time. Give me your hearts. Come with fasting, weeping and mourning. Do not tear your clothing in your grief, but tear your hearts instead." Return to the Lord, your God, for he is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. He is eager to relent and not punish.' (Joel 2:12-13)

God is inviting you to come to him this Ash Wednesday. What a wonderful offer! Make the most of it, and remember how the prodigal son was welcomed back by his compassionate father.

Prayer Pointers February 2012



Sunday	For our Benefice; that Angela, Hugh and Norman are blessed in leading our ministry.
Monday	For the beauty of our surroundings.
Tuesday	For all making a fresh start during Lent.
Wednesday	For our newly started Youth Club; that the leaders may grow in strength.
Thursday	Those in third world countries who need so much help to survive.
Friday	For those who are sick; that they be strengthened in body, mind and spirit.
Saturday	Peace in our strife-ridden world.

The Collect for Ash Wednesday:

*Almighty and everlasting God,
You hate nothing that you have made
And forgive the sins of all those who are
penitent:*

*Create and make in us new and contrite
hearts
That we, worthily lamenting our sins
And acknowledging our wretchedness,
May receive from you, the God of all mercy,
Perfect remission and forgiveness;
Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
Who is alive and reigns with you,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and for ever.*

bird singing. When he looked up into the tree, he saw a wonderful sight; the little bird was busy building another nest!

You can't go back. You can't rewrite the past! But you don't have to wallow in regret or remorse. Your experiences have made you the person you are today and, if you're still breathing, then you can start your life over again, beginning right now!

David blew it – his mistakes were bigger than most people's, but he decided not to be a prisoner of his past. He prayed:

*'You will give me added years of life as rich and as full of those
of many generations, all packed into one.'* Psalm 61.6.

Get your eyes off the rear view mirror! All of us have things we wish we had done differently – or hadn't done at all. What is past is past. Put it under the forgiveness of a merciful God and move on. Your best days are ahead if you can accept this promise and move on it.
From Word for Today (www.ucb.co.uk/word_for_today)

FAREWELL

Parishioners at Stalisfield bade farewell to Graham Galer on Sunday 8th January, when he played the organ at the church for the last time. A number of friends attended and the occasion was marked with a small presentation and vote of thanks. Graham has been playing for Stalisfield and Otterden for over 20 years and his music has been a great addition to Services, and very much enjoyed. He will be greatly missed and we wish him and his wife, Hilary, who are moving to be nearer to family, every happiness in their new home.



You can start again!

A man out walking in the early Spring saw a bird's nest lying on the ground. It had been destroyed by a storm. He thought sadly of the time and work it must have taken to build it, but suddenly his thoughts were interrupted by a

Eastling Church

February 2012

5th Dorothy Reeve
12th Dorothy Reeve
19th Philippa Wigdahl
26th Lent - no flowers



Contact Numbers:

Parish /Village Warden 0779 401 0394
Crimestoppers 0800 555111
Swale Police 101
Emergencies 999

Eastling Neighbourhood Watch



We have had night time instances of people involved with hare coursing using headlights or extra strong light beams in the local area of late. Please report these instances if seen but under no circumstances approach these persons as they are not very pleasant, to say the least.

There are also persons out shooting on Belmont land, which is illegal unless they have permission, but again, please report it if seen or heard.

There are still reports coming in about a black lurcher dog roaming around the village; if seen or caught please give me a call. I had understood, not confirmed, that the previous dog that was around had been caught and taken to a vet in Faversham and the onto a good home. Although Christmas was quite quiet for the village, make sure that we do not become complacent and still ensure that our windows and doors are securely locked.

As we all hear on the news metal theft is still a problem, so please watch out for anything unusual and keep a lookout for any unusual activity around the church area or our overhead power lines.

Adult magazines: it would be appreciated if these magazines were not put in the recycling bins at the village hall as they have caused offence when some one removed them from the bins and left them littering the area.

Take care and have a good month, Alan.

The Carpenters Arms

01795 890234

New Chef

We would like to welcome Mr Rob Best who has just joined the kitchen team at The Carps. Training and working at "Reads" Rob joins us from "Chapeldown" to further develop our menu, with the emphasis remaining on locally sourced home-cooked meals. The menu will remain a "pub food" selection with prices staying as such. The new menu is being brought in gradually over the next few weeks.

Friday 3rd February

Pepperset live from 9pm
Fantastic covers band featuring The Stones, The Beatles and others from the sixties

Sunday 5th February

Enigma live from 4pm
Easy listening jazz and blues quartet

Coming up for Spring

Saturday 21st April

Murder returns to The Carps
Hu Jones returns with his team to hold another murder mystery evening over dinner.
Strictly 26 places only, booking now!

Many thanks
Mitch, Donna & the Dogs

Defibrillator News.

The defibrillator has now been purchased and is available, with trained personnel, as from the 1st February within the local community.

This is a community project run by volunteers who have been first aid trained and certificated. First Aiders are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, for anyone who is suspected of having had a heart attack.

As mentioned in last month's *Good News*, the aim is to assist the emergency services should there be a delay in them attending to the patient. We have seen on the current TV advertising campaign, with Vinnie Jones for The Heart Foundation, just how important it is for a cardiac arrest victim to be attended to as soon as possible.

It is imperative to call 999 for an ambulance before contacting a first aider.

The First Aider volunteers are there to hold the fort and help you until the Paramedics arrive. Hopefully it will never be needed in our area but, should it be, we will do our best to help.

This facility is available to every one who is either living or visiting our community; there are no limitations. Obviously there are no guarantees that the volunteers will be able to attend, although we will do our utmost, and there are no legal liabilities involved.

I would like to arrange another 1st aid course in the village but until more funding is available it is not possible; the cost is £400 for 12 persons. However, if any one would like to make a donation to help in this matter the finance is being controlled by the Village Hall Trust. Any assistance in this matter would be appreciated, please give me a ring at home or mobile if interested. We are in desperate need of volunteers for the Glebe Cottages and surrounding area, so if there are people who are already trained in CPR, or would be interested in volunteering, please contact me.

Local first aiders to contact in an emergency AFTER dialling 999.

Village Hall, Church and Churchfields:

Julia Bailey: 01795 890746

From Churchfields and onwards towards Otterden:

Ian Gilbert: 0775 273 6566

Prospect Place, Tong Lane, and Tong Cottage:

Tim and Di: 01795 890177

Newnham Lane: Andrew & Yvonne: 01795 892093

Kettle Hill: Julie & Harry Kyte: 01795 890703

Alan and Marion 01795 890848 and 0779 401 0394

Mitch and Donna Carpenters Arms 01795 890234

Areas still to cover: Manor Lees, The Manor, School Lane, Kettle Hill Road, Meesons Close and local area, Glebe Cottages, local area and beyond.

Any area not covered please contact Alan.

If you cannot contact your local volunteer, please try someone else; my mobile (0779 401 0394) is on 24 hours a day.

If anybody has any queries regarding any problems on the defibrillator, or any other queries relating to it, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Remember it is imperative that if problems do occur to dial 999 first, the volunteers are available to assist if needed.

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Or send an email to: the1ark@btinternet.com

Services in our Churches

5th February 3rd before Lent

1 Corinthians 9. 16 - 23, Mark 1. 29 - 39	
Eastling 8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Stalisfield 10 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
Eastling 10 am	Holy Communion (CW)

12th February 2nd before Lent

Colossians 1. 15 - 20, John 1. 1 - 14	
Eastling 8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Stalisfield 10 am	Holy Communion (CW)
Eastling 10.30 am	Freestyle, The Point

19th February Sunday before Lent

2 Corinthians 4. 3 - 6, Mark 9. 2 - 9	
Eastling 8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Stalisfield 10 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
Eastling 10 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
Eastling 10 am	S Club in Village Hall

22nd February Ash Wednesday

2 Corinthians 5. 20b - 6.10, Matthew 6. 1 - 6, 16 - 21
St Mary of Charity, Faversham 7.30 pm
Service with Bishop Trevor

26th February Lent 1

1 Peter 3.18 - end, Mark. 9 - 15	
Eastling 8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Stalisfield 10 am	Holy Communion (CW)
Eastling 10 am	Youngstyle

4th March Lent 2

Romans 4. 13 - end, Mark 8. 31 - end	
Eastling 8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Stalisfield 10 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
Eastling 10 am	Holy Communion (CW)

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

Ministry in our Parishes

Priest in Charge Vacant

Non Stipendiary Minister with Permission To Officiate
Reverend Angela Cheeseman (01795 892124)
New House Farm, Eastling ME13 0BN

Reader Norman Fowler (01795 890412)
4 Meesons Close, Eastling

Reader Hugh Perks (01795 890603)
Weald Cottage, Eastling

Churchwardens

Eastling Steve Youle (01795 890368)
Audrey Smith (01795 890469)

Parish Administrator Janet Payne (01795 890487)
E mail: eastlingchurch@gmail.com

Stalisfield with Otterden

Jean West (01233 712270)
Gillian Wallace (01233 714904)

Parish Administrator Sheila Moger (01233 713212)
E mail samhawkstest@aol.com

Midweek Groups

Tuesdays: monthly 21st February, 9.30am
Garden Cottage, Newnham Lane, Eastling
Tuesdays: weekly Study Group 7.30pm Pinks Farm
Thursdays Prayer Group 10.30am Pinks Farm
You will be welcome at any of our groups.

Throwley Church

12th February 9.30 am Holy Communion (CW)
26th February 9.30 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Churchwardens: Alastair Malcolm (01795 890258)
Barbara Elliott (01795 890020)



'LET JUSTICE PREVAIL'

Western Samoa. By then the day will have been celebrated in over 170 countries and more than 6,000 services will have been held in the British Isles alone.

The service in Faversham will be at the Gospel Mission in Tanners Street, at 2pm on Friday 2nd March.

Although organised and led by women, this day of prayer is for everybody, and all are welcome to attend.

Malaysia is a multi-ethnic and multi-religious country, where women have made important contributions to its social and economic development but still face discrimination and violence at all levels of society. Even today a girl child is seen as less valuable than a boy. Malaysia is now the most popular destination country in Asia for migrant workers and human trafficking has become a sophisticated and organised operation. During the service these, and other issues of concern, are named as the women voice their hope for the future. Justice for all is their hope, and their prayer is "Let Justice Prevail".

Come and join us on
Sunday 12th February,
10.30am in Eastling Church

How would you recognise
a Christian?

All ages welcome

Stay for refreshments after the service.

Freestyle



different signals while men can manage only 10, here are some tips:

She likes you if: she pulls up her sleeves (the wrist is a soft part, she wants to show you how gentle and tender she is); she pushes her wine glass towards you (she is keen to close the distance between you); she plays with her necklace and flicks her hair.

He likes you if: he looks at each of your eyes, then mouth, then back to your eyes (known as the flirting triangle); he breathes in and pushes his shoulders back (think strutting peacock); he adopts a cowboy pose - hands on hips and thumbs in belt hoops.

On the other hand, she may have pushed her sleeves up because the room is stifling hot; she may push the wine glass towards you because you've been there two hours and haven't offered a refill; she may play with her necklace because you are boring her to death and she is thinking of using it to strangle you. One thing for sure, if his only response is to gape at her wordlessly, puff out his chest, and then get his thumbs stuck in his belt, the evening will not be a success.

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COACH TRIP to THE COTSWOLDS

on Tuesday 12th June 2012

AM: Moreton in Marsh

Ancient Market Town

PM: Bourton-on-the-Water

Regularly voted one of the prettiest villages in England

Pick up points in Faversham (tbc) 8am; return to Faversham by 8pm.

Coach fare £20.00

Please contact Janet - 01795 530854
janetipayne@btinternet.com

Would you like to sing?

Perhaps you used to sing, but have lost confidence
Maybe when you were young, you were told that you couldn't sing.

Singing for the Soul

A gentle workshop of simple songs to help you find your voice and soothe your spirits.
No previous experience needed, just come as you are.

6 weeks from Wednesday 22nd February
1.45 - 3pm in Newnham Village Hall

£3.50 per session (include tea and biscuits)

Contact Lis Bayford on 01795 886392



Looking out for Nature

by Audrey Keen

Situated on the North Downs, in sight of the Swale Estuary six miles to the north east, we are often visited by Brent geese flying inland. In autumn we visit the estuary to watch the geese arrive and settle on the mud flats exposed by the receding tide. These geese, on their migration flight from Siberia, are joined by oyster catchers, dunlin and curlew. We watch as they shovel and prod the salty flats where food is always available providing easy pickings for tired and weary birds. These geese do not come into the garden but have a flight path near the cottage and settle on grass land in the Weald to graze. In winter we really feel the chill wind here both from the east and west and it is at these times that the wild life needs us most.

*Where the winter
Tree boughs sway
Exposing to us all
The squirrel's drey,
As the blackbird
Calls above
The snow capped ground,
Where rabbits' small
Foot prints are found,
I chance to gaze into
The tall green fir at rest,
And see upon its boughs
The agile form
Of one gold crest. AIK*



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Faversham Activity for Health

Exercises classes are held in Faversham twice a week. They are led by fully trained and experienced instructors, catering for people with a variety of medical conditions, including:

- Heart disease • High blood pressure
- High cholesterol
- Diabetes • Parkinson's • Obesity
- Stress and anxiety, and those who have not exercised for some time

The exercises, which last an hour (plus a few minutes' changing time), take place at the Baptist Church Hall, St. Mary's Road, Faversham on Tuesdays at 2.15pm and Thursdays at 11.15 am, using specially purchased equipment.

The classes are invaluable to the more mature, the less fit and/or less mobile, and offer:

- Improved health • Greater mobility
- Increased independence

New participants are very welcome. You can join the classes either by referral by your GP or other health professional, or by word of mouth.

Or you can find out more by ringing Gene or John Regan on 07724 054 053. Alternatively, you can simply come to observe a Thursday morning class, starting at 11.15 am at the Baptist Church Hall.

All applicants are individually assessed by one of the instructors. You can attend either class, or both, depending on availability of places.

Classes cost £3.50 a session. Discounts are available if the fees are paid for a half term in advance.

Eastling Gardeners' Club

meets on Thursday 22nd March, in the village hall at 7.30pm, for a talk by Gordon Francis on 'The Vegetable Garden', followed by home-made nibbles and wine. Annual Membership (£5 per person) can be renewed at the meeting. Non-members pay £2.50 per meeting.

Painters Forstal with Ospringe W.I.

Tuesday 21st February at 2.15pm

Members Craft Afternoon

Demonstrate or talk about your hobby.
Competition: Something made by you.
Contact Bobbie Richards on 01795 532756

The Painters Forstal COFFEE CLUB

The next coffee club will be on 29th February in Whitehill Chapel, 11 am - 12.30pm. All welcome.



Eastling Short Mat Bowls

The club started the new year with two teams in the Boughton under Blean open competition on Saturday 7th January. The pairs; Eileen Piles & Desmond Briggs won two and lost two; Yvonne Wilkins & Roy, lost one, drew one and won two. On Sunday 8th it was the Triples competition when Des Briggs, Eileen & Roy Piles won two and lost two, so no medals to take home. On Wednesday 11th Canterbury Choughs came to Eastling for our first East Kent game in 2012: Eileen Piles, Mick Heath (back from illness), and skip Chris Smith won 19 shots to 6; on the other mat Des Briggs, Bryan Searly & Roy won 35 shots to 3, making an overall score of 54-9. But as they say, it will be a different story at their club. On Sunday 15th January, Albert Walker, Chris Smith & Roy played in a County Triple's competition at Strood. Unfortunately we did not win a game, but then you can't win them all.

Regular sessions continue in the village hall on Wednesdays, 2 - 4pm and Fridays, 2.30 - 4.30pm and 7.30 - 9.30pm. New members always welcome, come and try it out. It could be more challenging than you think. Roy Piles, 01795 537162.

FRIENDS of EASTLING SCHOOL

Eastling School's Birthday is on Tuesday 7th February and the children can book a special lunch supplied by the catering company 'Chartwells' and includes chocolate birthday cake.

The Eastling School children's Valentine Disco is on Friday 10th February from 6pm to 8pm - details will be sent home shortly.



We will be celebrating Shrove Tuesday with pancake racing and then pancakes to buy with a variety of toppings. Parents are welcome to come along to join in the fun at 2pm on Tuesday 21st February. Good quality Second Hand school uniform always welcomed and available to parents to purchase at very reasonable prices.

Jill Seaman, FOES Publicity. 01795 890252

Eastling Parish Council

The young people gave an update of the Youth Club to Councillors at the meeting held on 11th January 2012. Councillors were pleased that the Youth Club is going well and were happy to continue support but felt that other funding should be sought.

Funds for a defibrillator for the village had been granted and, following some further training, would be in situ shortly.

A Councillor had written to Cllr Bowles and the Secretary of State regarding the reduction of the speed limit through the village.

The precept for the financial year 2012/13 was discussed and it was agreed that this should remain at the same rate as the previous year.

It was agreed to write to landowners regarding the overgrown hedges around the Parish.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th March 2012 at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall. Residents are always welcome to attend any meeting.

Jill Seaman, Clerk to the Council
mick_seaman@yahoo.co.uk

Age UK links up with the Met Office to save lives this winter

In an attempt to lower the number of unnecessary deaths this winter, Age UK has set up a new initiative with the Met Office and the Department of Health. The Met Office now gives Age UK advance warnings when it predicts a cold spell so that vulnerable older people can be pre-warned and given tips on how best to stay warm and safe.

The figures show that there are up to 26,000 preventable deaths of older people each winter in the UK, many of which could have been avoided by people taking simple measures to stay warm. Low temperatures raise blood pressure, putting people at greater risk of heart attacks and strokes as well as increasing the likelihood and severity of flu, chest infections and other respiratory problems.

CHARITY BOOK SALE

on Wednesday 7th March,
9 - 11am in Eastling Village Hall

Do come along for to browse the 100's of second hand books: novels, reference and children's, hardback and paperbacks, all for sale. All ages welcome, free entry and a cuppa.



Otterden W.I

On the 1st of February, 7.30pm at The Harrow, Richard Foulger and John Dury will be kindly giving us a talk on their incredible Moroccan bike trip. If you, your family and friends would like to join us for this, or you would like to become a member, please contact myself, Carol Morris-mjjatotterden@btinternet.com, 01795 892038 or our president Kim Curtis 01795 890691 for details. If you don't have transport we can arrange a car share, as many of our ladies will be only too happy to pick you up. Further events to come; watch this space!

And from all our ladies, we wish you a very healthy, and prosperous new year.

The Mobile Library visits
Eastling, every fortnight, at the
entrance to Glebe Cottages.

It is open to everyone,
free of charge.

February dates are Tuesdays
7th & 21st, 10.50 - 11.05am.

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A beautiful hall in a lovely village location for your wedding, club, sports or meetings. The large hall has pretty grounds, car parking, meeting rooms and fully equipped facilities for professional or self-catering occasions.

Carol Singing

Well done to Jordan, Ben, Oliver, Eleanor, Lucas & Rees who sang away Carol Singing around Eastling before Christmas. Their efforts raised £63.15 for Cardiac Risk in the Young, which has helped to part fund a defibrillator for the village. Thank you to all the residents for their generous contributions.

Thank You

Many thanks to Alan and Marion, who ran a very successful quiz in the village hall recently: the magnificent sum of £133 was handed over to the senior Citizens' Christmas Fund and is very much appreciated by all.

Marina Neaves and Olive Simmonds, joint Treasurers.

Charing and District Local History Society

Thursday 9th February in Charing Parish Hall:

Helen Allinson will talk on
**KENTISH VILLAGE LIFE
IN VICTORIAN TIMES**

A look at the domestic and familiar life of the 19th century village.

Doors open 7.45pm for 8pm start. Visitors welcome at £2. Enquiries: Jennie Burgess 01233 714639.

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1st Otterden W.I.	7.30pm	The Harrow
5th & every Sunday Youth Club	6.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
7th Mobile Library	10.50am	Glebe Cottages
9th Charing History Society	7.45pm	Charing Parish Hall
10th School Disco	6pm	Eastling School
12th Freestyle	10.30am	Eastling Church
15th Deadline for March Good News		Pinks Farm, Eastling
19th S Club	10am	Eastling Village Hall
21st Mobile Library	10.50am	Glebe Cottages
21st Pancake Racing	2pm	Eastling School
21st Painters Forstal W I	2.15pm	Whitehill Chapel
22nd Singing for the Soul	1.45pm	Newnham Village Hall
22nd Ash Wednesday service	7.30pm	Faversham Parish Church
26th Youngstyle	10am	Eastling Church
28th Magazine Folding	2pm	Pinks Farm, Eastling
MARCH 2nd World Day of Prayer Service	2pm	Gospel Mission
7th Book Sale at Pop-In	9am	Eastling Village Hall
14th Parish Council Meeting	6.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
22nd Gardeners' Club	7.30pm	Eastling Village Hall

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