

Youngstyle

in Eastling Church
Sunday 22nd July
10am

Half an hour of fast fun
and teaching.
All ages welcome.

Y-Generation

Sunday Nights
Eastling Village Hall
6.30 till 8.00pm
School years 7+

Saturday Club!

Last one, 14th July,
Eastling Village Hall
10 till 11am

NEEDED!

Lots and lots of shoeboxes
for craft at holiday club!
Any size will do!
Please contact Jo Gilkes,
I'll collect.
Thank you.

For more info on Eastling
Youth Work please call Jo
Gilkes on 07999807519 or
email eastlingyouthworker
@hotmail.co.uk

Kids' Club

Craft Club

6th and 20th July
6.15 to 7.15pm
Champion Hall,
Painter's Forstal
50p a session.
Contact number 532756.

What are you doing on Saturday 21st July?
'Cause there is something happening in the village!

Yes, the first ever **Eastling Youth Festival** is coming!!

With fun activities such as:

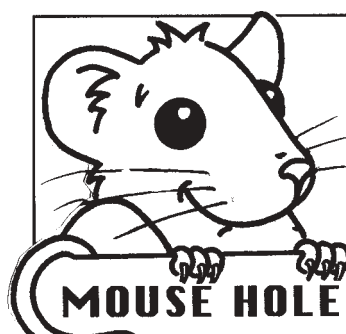
**Puppet
workshops**

**Holiday
club,**

**Youth
club**

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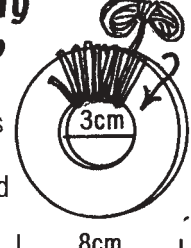
You won't want to miss out, Come along to win some prizes
in some fantastic games, taste some of Heaven's Ice
Creams and the best food that fair-trade has to offer,
so come along for a fun day!
12noon - 3pm, in and around Eastling Church.




MOUSE HOLE

Woolly Sheep


1. Cut two rings out of cardboard and wind white wool around and through until you can't wind any more.



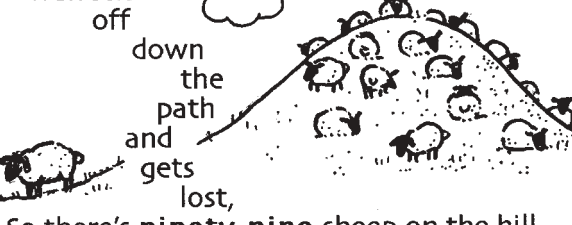
2. Cut between the rings then tie in the centre with a length of wool.



3. Pull the cardboard off and fluff up into a pompom, then glue on a black card face.




The Lost Sheep
There's **one hundred** sheep on the top of the hill,
One hundred sheep on the hill,
One wanders off
down the path and gets lost,




So there's **ninety nine** sheep on the hill.


There's **ninety nine** sheep on the top of the hill,
Ninety nine sheep on the hill,
The shepherd goes looking for his one lost sheep,
Leaving **ninety nine** sheep on the hill.




Up high and down low the shepherd looks,
Calling the sheep by name,
Desperate to find his one lost sheep
And bring it home again....

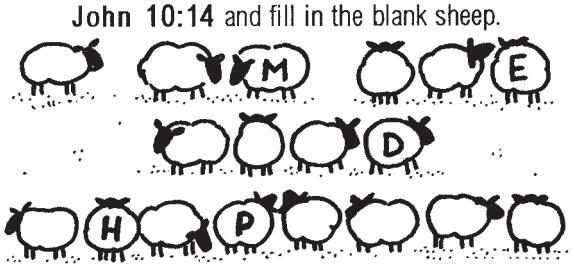


There's **one hundred** sheep on the top of the hill,
One hundred sheep on the hill,
The shepherd has found his one lost sheep,
So there's **one hundred** sheep on the hill!



 Read the parable of the lost sheep in Luke 15:4 - 10

Find out who Jesus is... look up John 10:14 and fill in the blank sheep.



Good News Parish Magazine July 2007

Eastling Summer Youth Activity Programme

Are you looking for a Fun-filled summer?

Are you between the ages of 11 to 19?

A free programme is being introduced for the youth of the local area to stop the boredom of those long summer days. To find out more, attend the Youth Festival at the church on the 21st July 12pm - 3pm.

Look out for the
Veg Plot/Eastling Centre
stand for more info.



YO-HO AHoy!

Holiday Club for all primary school children!

**30th July till 3rd August
10 - 12am**

For more details, and to book your place, please contact Jo Gilkes on
07999807519 or email
eastlingyouthworker@hotmail.co.uk

Eastling Youthling

Eastling Youth Festival

Saturday 21st July

12 noon - 3pm Free admission
Eastling Church and Churchyard

Youth Stalls

Aimee's and Shannon's
Deal or no Deal
Face Painting
H2O Blaster Stall
Lollipop Cross
Cake Stall
Heavenly Ice Cream
Tea, Coffee and
Soft Drinks
Fairtrade Stall
Yucky Dip
Organic Veggies
Strawberries and Cream
Football Shoot out

Workshops

Rural Craft:
Make your own
Angel or Scarecrow
£2.50 each

Puppets:
Work a puppet with the
Puppet Club - free

Young Bud's:
Create a youth flower
display with help from a
professional.
Flowers donated by
Faversham Flower Studio.



Lots of Fun, Games and Prizes



Summer Fête
Sunday 1st July
Eastling School
starting at 2pm.

To be opened by
Stage Antics.

Lots of new stalls to
interest you including
Treasure hunt, Penalty
Shoot out, Pony ride as
well as the bottle
tombola, BBQ, Beer tent,
Fortune telling, Coconut
shy, and many others -
Live band.

Come along to join in
the fun!

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

A Fond Farewell

I remember when I was talking to my supervisor from ‘Time for God’ about the placements that they had left for this year, and I don't know what it was about Eastling but I immediately knew that I wanted to go and visit and find out what it was all about. Hearing about how hard a small village had worked to get a youth worker in really blew me away and I didn't want the work to not be paid off.



Adjusting to the village way of life was a challenge at first, especially as all the youth work I had done previously was on a much larger scale, however the lessons I have learnt from this adjustment have been invaluable. There have been many ups and downs this year but I guess you don't appreciate when things are going well if it hasn't been a struggle to get there. I've loved so much seeing God at work here; please never stop seeking him in all that you do. I'm just so thankful to have been a part of that. There's so much that can be learnt from the youth of this village. They have such an amazing ability to see past what part of the village each other come from, past any family frictions, past appearance and backgrounds and to simply see the person inside. If everyone could seek this childlike heart then I believe this village could reach whole new levels of community. I owe some huge thank you's to some people for making this year what it has been.

Firstly to Caroline, Leigh, Liz, Steph, Angela and Lorraine for all the support of my work. I would never have pushed myself to try new things if it hadn't been for you, and could never have done it all on my own. Also thank you also to anyone that ever gave up some time to help out at clubs etc, especially Dave who I knew I could always rely on! Thank you to everyone from the church who I know has supported me greatly with prayers and to all the parents for bringing your kids to and from clubs; they wouldn't have been there if it wasn't for you! But the people who have made this year as special as it has been has been the youth. For always making me smile, for giving me a purpose to being here, for making memories with me that I will never forget and for just being yourselves. Eastling will always hold a special place in my heart, I learnt so much being here and I feel I'm going back home a different person. I look forward to coming back on visits to check up on you all! Love and prayers always, Jo Gilkes, Eastling youth worker Sept 06 - July 07.

Prayer Pointers July 2007

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| <u>Sundays</u> | For those in the ministry who serve our needs. |
| <u>Mondays</u> | For hostages - taken from their familiar surroundings and confined. |
| <u>Tuesdays</u> | Orphanages in Ukraine - for the children and those who care for them. |
| <u>Wednesdays</u> | For those who enforce law and order in this country. |
| <u>Thursdays</u> | For the parishioners of Eastling, Stalisfield and Otterden. |
| <u>Fridays</u> | For those who work in education - teachers and helpers, that they may guide the young through their formative years. |
| <u>Saturdays</u> | For those in the health service who tend the sick and promote good health in the fit. |

Sunday 29th July

Everyone will be welcome at the
Benefice Service
10.30am
Eastling Church

We will be saying *‘Thank you and farewell’* to our
youth worker, Jo Gilkes.

What’s Your Next Step?

Does this month spell the end of school, college, or even a job, for you? Then congratulations are in order: you have completed a significant step! Now it is time to consider your next step. The dictionary defines ‘step’ as a physical movement that advances you in a desired direction. You take a ‘step’ forward in order to get somewhere specific, not just to stop yourself falling flat on your face. Each ‘step’, however small, can take you towards a specific goal. The Bible reflects this. It is filled with the metaphors of stepping, walking, running and goals, pilgrimages, journeys, all to describe the years of our lives. When we were babies, we clung to our parents’ hands as we learned how to take our

first steps. They stayed right by us, to keep us from falling, and to steer us in the right direction. As adults, the Bible tells us that a successful journey through all of life is based on how near we walk to God – and let him guide us in the steps we should take. Choosing your next step in life this year is important. The good news is that you need not do it on your own. The Bible makes clear that in God, you have a divine ‘life coach’. He knows you perfectly – and he has a plan for your life. Most of all this involves a personal relationship with him. We’ve all seen toddlers staggering towards danger, ignoring their parents’ cries of warning. We’ve all seen adults making a mess of their lives. They are ignoring their personal divine Shepherd, Guide, Teacher and Helper.

A baby learns to walk safely by listening to its parents. We learn what God’s will is for us through daily reading of his word, in the Bible, and in obeying what we read. For when God guides us, he does not hand down a divine map of our lives. His guidance is more like that of a torch – light for our daily path. God’s final ‘step’ for you is that you should know, enjoy and glorify him forever. Throughout our lives, we are to be taking small daily steps towards the Eternal City and he will see that we reach our final goal. Meanwhile, the Lord wants you to succeed in the earthly goals that he has for you! Ask God to be your guide and helper as you take your next step.

The Rev Dr Roger Roberts, senior pastor of International Baptist Church Brussels, reflects on the endings that early summer can bring.

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

Two houses were broken into in broad daylight on the 14th June within the Eastling village locality. If anybody can recollect seeing any thing or person out of the ordinary on that day please either give me a ring or call Sittingbourne Police Station. These particular crimes that have unfortunately happened stress the importance of closing all windows including upstairs when you leave your property , please do not make it easy prey for the thieves. Another point is that if you have rear access to your property always remember to lock your back door should there be a knock or a ring at the front door as very often bogus callers work in pairs and whilst your attention is at the front door there could be someone trying to relieve you of your property at the back. There has been a spate of lead being stolen in the Swale area from Church roofs etc so if you kindly keep your eye on our church, school and village hall in case someone decides to turn their attention to Eastling. Do remember to report any suspicious people or cars in the village as crime prevention is the best thing. Have a good month Alan

Registered Childminder
Inspected, insured, police checked
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Helen Fulljames
Hatchwood House,
Easting Road,
Easting
Tel: 07005 980 916

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Faversham Open House 2007

Saturdays 7th,
14th & 21st July

Now in its 38th year, Faversham Open House Scheme is the longest running event of its kind in Britain, allowing visitors to view between 20 and 30 interesting properties not normally open to the public. Admission is by programme, a Handbook which includes detailed historical and architectural notes on each. Handbooks, cost £6, and information available from the Fleur de Lis Heritage centre, 10 - 13 Preston Street, phone 01795 534542. www.faversham.org



Smiles lines

Pancakes
A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, five, and Ryan, three. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the chance for a moral lesson. "If Jesus were sitting here, he would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.' Quick as a wink, Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, "Ryan, you be Jesus!"

With the wedding season that in mind....
A little boy was attending his first wedding. After the service, his cousin asked him, "How many women can a man marry?" "Sixteen," the boy responded at once. His cousin was amazed that he had an answer so quickly. “Why do you say that?” "Easy," the little boy said. "All you have to do is add it up, like the minister said, 4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer."

EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

The Kent Association of Parish Councils has indicated that it expects Swale Borough Council to begin its two wheelie bin system in early July. As you will all be aware there will be a blue bin for recyclable materials and the normal green one for the usual household waste. Each will be collected alternately on a fortnightly basis.

The KAPC does emphasise that for the present, at least, paper and cardboard collected for charitable purposes will be allowed to continue. Residents are asked, therefore, to continue to take their waste paper and cardboard to the village hall for recycling as the income so earned makes a valuable contribution towards the upkeep of the village hall. It has the added advantage of leaving extra space in the blue bin for the extra kit that will be required to be recycled.

Thank you all.

Things I Am Grateful For.....

*The Lord gave me eyes
To see the wondrous things He made;
The flowers by the wayside
And the bracken in the glade.
He gave me a nose to smell the freshness
Of the new cut hay;
He gave me ears to hear the cockerel
Announce another day.
He gave me a voice that I may speak;
He gave me feeling too.
And I hope, from the bottom of my heart,
That he gave to same to you.*

Audrey Keen.

CORDON BLEU COOK

Home cooked food for dinner parties, special occasions (birthday parties, christenings etc.) and freezer filling. Delicious celebration cakes also available. For fantastic food, friendly, informal service and advice call Holly on 01227 281327 or 0711128050. holly_alexand78@hotmail.com

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FITNESS CLASSES

@ EASTLING VILLAGE HALL

WEDNESDAYS

6.00pm GENTLE EXERCISE
for the more mature participant &
those starting or returning to exercise.
7.00pm BUMS, LEGS & TUMS
helps to tone & shape these specific areas.

NEW for 2007

8.00pm SUMMER SALSAcise

Get fit using fun, sexy moves to a Latin groove.
Great for all ages and abilities

THURSDAYS

9.15am FITNESS PILATES
A blend of Pilates & dance exercises
Helps develop muscle tone, balance,
flexibility & relaxation

All classes £4.00 or £7.00 for double class
on Wednesdays.

For more info contact Leigh
01795 890 149 or

<leigh.fitness@btinternet.com>



*We would like to say thank you
for all your support in our
Race for Life. I am sure some of the
villagers have seen 3 mad women
jogging around the village in a
desperate attempt to get fit. Jane
Hamley, Annie Adams and Gill
Tiernan raised approximately £800
for Cancer Relief.*

Baby Hour

Join us for a relax and
a chat with other
mothers and babies
and a cup of tea at a
'baby and toddler social'.
Plenty of toys suitable for the
under 4s, in Eastling Church play
area (just inside the church door).
The group meets each Friday
between 2 and 3.30pm. Enquiries to
Angela Cheeseman 892 124



Egerton

Playgroup

Open Afternoon

16th July, 1 - 3pm

in Egerton

Millennium Hall, Ashford, TN27 9DS
Visit preschool, take part in activities
and meet new friends.

Contact number 0777 36 00 982

Eastling Short Mat Bowls

The Swale pairs competition was held on June 2nd at Milton indoor bowls centre. We had nine short mats down, with four teams on each mat playing each other over nine ends. The mat winners, plus the seven highest losers, went through to the next round. Out of our four teams taking part, three went through, with Brian Searley and Bill Ledger only two shots short. In the next round Nellie Porter and Eileen Piles had to play against their own team members of Brian Fisher and Roy Piles, with the later pair going through and, you will not believe, in the next round they had to play against fellow team members Chris Smith and Mick Heath, beating them and winning through to the final. A very close fought game with Roy and Brian losing by one shot to Maureen and Peter Richards. Thanks to all our team members for staying till the end. Some friendly games have been arranged against Wye, Chilham and Tunstall.

Log on to the Swale league website <www.swalecvs.co.uk/bowls> to see how all the clubs in Swale are performing.

No Wednesday afternoon sessions until 3rd October. Fridays continue as before: 2.30 - 4.30pm and 7.30 - 9.30pm in Eastling Village Hall. These sessions are open to all players. New members welcome, so if you want to see what it is all about, and want to try your hand at Short Mat Bowls, come along and have a go at either of these times.

For more details, please contact Roy Piles on 537162.

Painter's Forstal with Ospringe Women's Institute

Tuesday 17th July,
2.15pm in the Champion Hall
Mrs J Byers will talk about
Holiday Souvenirs

Competition: A holiday souvenir,
plus flower of the month.

New members welcome,
contact number 01795 532756.

BAR - B - Q

Sunday 5th August

Ospringe Church 11.30am
to beheld outside the church in the
fresh air.

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.

FRIENDS OF EASTLING SCHOOL

Make sure you come along to the
Eastling School Summer Fête on Sun-
day 1st July, starting at 2pm, to be
opened by Stage Antics.

Lots of new stalls to interest you
including Treasure hunt, Penalty Shoot
out, Pony ride as well as the bottle
tombola, BBQ, Beer tent, Fortune
telling, Coconut shy, and many others
- Live band.

Come and enjoy the school's music
evening on Thursday 5th July at school
- BBQ at 5.30pm, music from 6pm to
8pm.

The End of Term Social Evening will
be on Wednesday 25th July at
Eastling School, 6.30pm - 9pm. BBQ,
licenced bar and raffle. An event that
can be enjoyed by all the family.

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

'Come and Sing' MESSIAH

Saturday 21st July 2007
Goodnestone Park Gardens
www.singforlife.co.uk

Tickets are £10 for performers
and £5 for audience
Under 14s: £5 performers, £3
audience

Rehearsals: 2:00 - 4:00pm

Performance at 6:00pm

Tickets available now from:

Tel: 01304 841826

info@singforlife.org.uk

Coffee Pop-In

Pop-In is open every Wednesday,
during school term,
9 - 11am in Eastling Village Hall.

Pop-in for a free cuppa and a chat.

Plenty of toys suitable for toddlers' play.

Homemade cakes for sale on 4th, last

Pop-In this term 25th July.

Many thanks to everyone
who supported the
special Pop-In in aid of
The Children's Society
- with your help we
raised £83.60.

Thanks to you all.



Quiz Night

*Jill and Caroline would like to
thank everybody who attended the
quiz. It was a fantastic night and
£700 was raised for Crohn's
research.*

*Our thanks to everyone involved
and look forward to seeing at
our next quiz night.*

Jill and Caroline

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club, sports or meetings.

The large hall has pretty grounds, car parking, meeting
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Pilgrims Hospice Canterbury Summer Fête and Open Day

Saturday 21st July

1 - 4pm

Canterbury Ceroc Dancers

Antiques valuations by

The Canterbury Auction Galleries

Children's games and entertainment
and much more

Parking at Canterbury High School
with shuttle bus service



Have you looked at the
Eastling web forum lately?
New postings welcome.

www.eastling.info

August Bank Holiday BARBECUE at Eastling Village Hall

4.00 pm on

Monday, 27th August

Proceeds to be split between
village hall funds and youth
worker activities.

Prices and further details to be
announced soon.

Afternoon Club

July activities

5th - Board Games

19th - Board Games

Both meetings start at 2pm in the
Champion Hall, Painter's Forstal.

July



2007

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| 1st Summer Fête | 2pm | Eastling School |
| 4th Cakes for sale at Pop-In | 9-11am | Eastling Village Hall |
| 4th Salsacise classes begin | 8pm | Eastling Village Hall |
| 5th Afternoon Club | 2pm | Champion Hall |
| 5th BBQ/Music Evening | 5.30pm | Eastling School |
| 6th Craft Club | 6.15pm | Champion Hall |
| 7th, 14th & 21st Open House Scheme | | Faversham |
| 11th Eastling Parish Council | 6pm | Eastling Village Hall |
| 14th Saturday Club | 10am | Eastling Village Hall |
| 15th Deadline for August Good News | | |
| 16th Playgroup open afternoon | 1pm | Egerton Millennium Hall |
| 17th Painter's Forstal WI | 2.15pm | Champion Hall |
| 19th Afternoon Club | 2pm | Champion Hall |
| 20th Craft Club | 6.15pm | Champion Hall |
| 21st Youth Festival | 12 noon | Eastling Church |
| 21st Pilgrims Hospice Fête | 1pm | Canterbury Hospice |
| 25th Social Evening | 6.30pm | Eastling School |
| 28th Family Club | 6.30pm | Stalisfield 'Hut' |
| 30th - 3rd Aug Holiday Club | | Eastling Village Hall |
| 31st Magazine Folding | 2pm | Pinks Farm |
| AUGUST 5th Barbecue | 11.30am | Ospringe Church |
| 27th Barbecue | 4pm | Eastling Village Hall |
| DECEMBER 4th Eastling Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch | | |
| 14/15th Eastling-a-dingdong-singalong | | Eastling Church |

August Good News

If you would like to advertise in this magazine, submit articles, features
or stories for publication, or would like any forthcoming events publicised,
please send your magazine contribution by the 15th July to Hilary Harlow,
Pinks Farm, Eastling, Faversham ME13 0BA. Tel: 01795 890338. Where
possible, please submit your entries by e-mail: h.f.harlow@btconnect.com
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