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Faversham Foodbank

Thank you for your continued support

We started our Foodbank collection in Eastling well over a year ago and are delighted that we have been able to continue to support this venture. At the Foodbank those who come for help are signposted to long term advice and support as well as collecting the food they need immediately.

Food list for July

Urgent items: tinned carrots; tinned sweet corn; sugar; tinned rice pudding; squash; size 5 and 6 nappies; egg noodles (not super noodles)

Also needed: disposable razors; washing up liquid; sugar (500g bags)



Eastling School News

It is a very busy time of the year for the school in July. Most importantly we have an Open Afternoon on Thursday 7th, which is a chance for anyone with pre-school children to come and have a look around our lovely school and meet the wonderful, happy children that we have here!

At the start of the month Leopards' Class will return from their residential field trip to the Isle of Wight, with many tales to tell and socks to wash! Other classes will then have their chance to undertake field trips to learn in the environment. These include Lions' beach trip on 5th, our popular outings club every Friday night until 5.30pm, Year 5 solving a forensic crime in the QE school labs on 11th and, in addition, we have more swimming sessions set up for our youngest class, Cubs, as they have enjoyed this experience so much (13/20 July).

We say a sad goodbye to a fantastic group of young adults as they journey to the next stage of their education with a Leavers' trip on 18th, Leavers' church service on 20th and a Leavers' assembly on 21st, followed by our annual "Party on the field" where our leavers are waved off and new children welcomed, although we also go and meet our new children at their nurseries and homes over the month.

Our after school care is now available every night of the week until 5.30pm, with a variety of after school clubs continuing to run through until the 15th July.

Dave Walsh, Head Teacher

Mouse Makes

WHO AM I?
 The last letter of one name is the first letter of the next name.

J				S
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mary's first child Luke 1:30-31 Hannah's son 1 Samuel 1:20 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He wrote the second Gospel Followed Elijah 2 Kings 2:15 				
A				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first man Genesis 2:20 Baby in a basket Exodus 2:1-10 				
				S
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A wise king 1 Kings 4:29 He built an ark Genesis 6: 13-14 				
H				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wrote the 28th book of the Bible 				

WHICH BOOK IN THE BIBLE...

- ... is the first?
- ... is the last?
- ... has the most chapters?
- ... is the last in the Old Testament?

How many books are there in the Old Testament, the New Testament, and the whole Bible?

DID YOU KNOW?
 In the Bible there are: 31,173 verses, 1,189 chapters, 773,692 words.

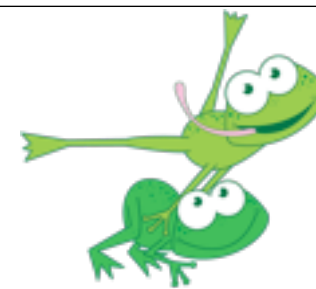
- The longest word is in Isaiah 8:1
- The longest verse is Esther 8:9
- The Bible was originally written in Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek

FIND THE BROTHERS

BENJAMIN	HARAN
ISAAC	MOSES
AARON	JOSEPH
GAD	SHEM
JAPHETH	JAMES
JACOB	ASHER
JOHN	ESAU
CAIN	ISHMAEL
PETER	ABEL
ABRAHAM	ANDREW

Can you find JESUS and all the Apostles in the word search?

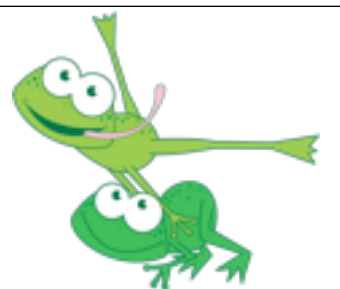
ANDREW
 JOHN • JAMES
 THOMAS • MATTHEW
 SIMON • THADDEUS
 BARTHOLOMEW • PETER
 PHILIP • JAMES • JUDAS



Stalisfield Pond Life

Annual Frog Race

Saturday 16th July, 7.30pm



Once again the squelch of froggy feet can be heard in the morning mist as the frogs of Stalisfield limber up across the Downs in preparation for the premier meet of the racing calendar.

Take note that the Stalisfield Stakes will be held on **Saturday 16th July** at 7.30pm as a change from the hitherto Fridays of previous years. The frogs in their bright livery will be there eager to go and so will Andrew, the popular Clerk to the Course whose marshalling skills are well known. Course officials stand ready to ensure smooth operation.

The inflation proof course-entry price of £10 (£6 children), includes the traditional fish and chip supper served piping hot in the interval.

Winners will be able to celebrate at the bar where beverages will be offered at modest prices. Losers may equally take solace. An exciting night is virtually guaranteed and we urge you to make sure of your place for the event in the Stalisfield Village Hall.

Tracy will be happy to take your reservation on: 01795 890007 landline or 0771 7367 936 mobile

Good News Parish Magazine July 2016

Out in the Fields with God

The little cares that fretted me,
 I lost them yesterday,
 Among the fields above the sea,
 Among the winds at play,
 Among the lowing of the herds,
 The rustling of the trees,
 Among the singing of the birds,
 The humming of the bees.

The foolish fears of what might pass
 I cast them all away
 Among the clover-scented grass
 Among the new mown hay,
 Among the hushing of the corn
 Where drowsy poppies nod,
 Where ill thoughts die and good are born -

Out in the fields with God.

Anon



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

www.northdowns.plus.com/goodnews

Canon’s Column

Post Referendum Thoughts

I am a firm believer in the very basic concept that the Christian faith must have a connection with, and speak to, what is happening in our world. My sermon for this past Sunday, the Sunday after the referendum, was an attempt to speak to our post referendum angst. After the service, several people felt that I had given them something worthwhile to think about for the week and Hilary Harlow, our editor, asked me for a copy to use in place of the Canon’s Column I had written last week for this issue. This is an abbreviated text made from my preparation notes for the sermon.


The three texts for this Sunday, following the referendum, do in fact have a lot to say to us as we try to connect our faith to the situations in our world. There is a message of reassurance, challenge and instruction.

The Old Testament lesson, **I Kings 19: 15-16 and 19-21**, is the end of Elijah’s discourse with God. He had just recently achieved a great success in his public ministry but he had also incurred the wrath of the king and queen who had vowed to kill him. Now at his lowest, Elijah has a dramatic encounter with God who gives him three tasks; to anoint a new king for Syria, a new king for Israel and to anoint Elisha, the one who is to become his own successor. Changes are to come upon the two kingdoms with new rules sweeping out the old and establishing a new order. But, in spite of all that this would cause, God’s voice and representative will still be present in the midst of it all.

Prayer Pointers

July 2016

Sundays	Take time to listen to God.
Mondays	Refugees
Tuesdays	Those who work for our Benefice.
Wednesdays	Peace instead of conflict in our world.
Thursdays	Those who are sick and those who have died.
Fridays	Pray for those who work to spread God’s Word.
Saturdays	Appreciate the beauty of the countryside in July.



In the gospel passage, from **Luke 9: 51-62**, Jesus is passing through Samaria on his way to Jerusalem. Because of his focus on Jerusalem the Samaritans will have nothing to do with him, withholding hospitality and forcing him to move on to another village. But he does not let the reactions of those he meets deter him and he does eventually get to Jerusalem. For us in post referendum Britain, our goal should be to work together for the common good; we do this by maintaining our focus as we live out the values of the Kingdom of God.

The epistle lesson from **Galatians 5: 13-25** is all about the great contrast of values between the world and the Kingdom of God. These two lists of values are particularly appropriate in this post referendum period. Paul writes about the values that are very much part of this world and which have caused division, hurt and distrust in the lead up to the referendum; values such as quarrelling, contentious temper, envy, rage, selfish ambitions and jealousies. These damage and destroy. He contrasts these with the values which strengthen, buildup and heal that come from the Holy Spirit; love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control. These are the values to unify and rebuild. These are the values of the new world.

As we face the challenges of the coming period of restructuring, the three themes of God’s promise of his continuing presence in times of great change, the focus on the goal of working together for the common good of all, and the living out of the positive spiritual values, will enable us to live and work together through the coming period of restructuring and challenge.

Donald J. Lawton

Eritrean Christians – the world’s forgotten refugees

Eritrea has been branded ‘one of the world’s fastest emptying nations’ and ‘the North Korea of Africa’. Last year, 40,000 risked death from drowning to escape to Italy. Others fled to Sudan or Ethiopia. By now, one in 12 Eritreans has fled the country. Many of those are Christians. And little wonder that they go: Eritrea has jailed hundreds of Christians simply because of their faith. Many are now living in makeshift refugee camps in nearby northern Ethiopia. Release International, which supports persecuted Christians, reports on just one Christian’s story, that of Elsa.

Elsa was jailed along with her sister. “We were kept in underground cells. Sometimes the guards put us both in a metal shipping container to torture us. This became so hot during the day and then in the night it became freezing cold. We didn’t get much to eat and there was no medical treatment. The guards offered to let us go, but only if we renounced our faith in Jesus. We said no. One evening we were taken into the bush, and I knew we were going to be beaten. They were going to inflict as much pain on us as they could. The guards took it in terms to beat us. I will never forget hearing the screams of my sister. I never saw her again.” Could you help suffering Christians with regular prayer or support?


More details at:
www.releaseinternational.org

You are invited to a screening of this powerful documentary about people risking their lives to reach safety in Europe, and those greeting them on the shores of Greece

The Sea Between Us

9th July 2016
7.30pm, Fleur de Lis Hall, Gatefield Lane, Faversham ME13 8NS

Free entry - donations requested



The world in on the move
Faversham and Villages Refugee Solidarity Group invites you to talk, listen, learn, share thoughts and feelings and watch films about refugees and their lives, their challenges and their prospects in Europe
www.fvrsg.wordpress.com
Wine, soft drinks and snacks available on the night - donations requested - any profit goes to support humanitarian projects working with displaced people

Eastling Neighbourhood Watch

Village Warden 07794 010 394
or 01795 890848
Police 101 Emergency 999

In the Good News this month is an article on the defibrillator and I suggest that notice is taken and I do intend within the next few months to be able to offer elementary emergency CPR training to every person in the village. Thanks to the people who attended the recent quiz night full training aids have been purchased to enable this.

There has been a visit from Kent County Council to alleviate some of the flooding problems that we have in the village so hopefully this can be resolved.

A taxi that was stolen in Faversham crashed in the early hours of a Sunday morning early in June in the Frith Road area and the culprits escaped on foot. If anyone has any information on these persons, please contact the police or give me a call.

Sheds and outbuildings are still prime targets for the villains so keep your eyes open.

Have a good month
Alan

Eastling Parish Council

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on Wednesday 27th April 2016 when the Chairman gave a summary of the past year. He said that Parish Council meetings were still held bi-monthly and that councillors had remained following the election. There had been few planning applications which the PC had made comments, although the ultimate decision rests with SBC. The website www.eastling.co has been running for 5 years under the management of Neville Perkins. We hope that this has been useful to both villagers and visitors. Potholes remain an ongoing issue as well as flooding. The Parish Council continue to urge KCC to look after the roads. These are reported on the KCC through www.kent.gov.uk Residents are urged to report any issues themselves. We are fortunate to have Colin Prescott as our local representative and Andrew Bowles as the leader of SBC and member of KCC. The Chairman thanked the Village Warden for his

EASTLING DEFIBRILLATOR

In the past, if an Emergency Volunteer was required whilst waiting for the emergency services to arrive, it was necessary to ring one of eight telephone numbers to contact someone. That system has been replaced by just one telephone number which will ring all eight volunteers' numbers at the same time so that contact should always be available.

The new number is
01795 342990

and the new system is called the Village Emergency Telephone system and is sponsored by Eastling Parish Council. It is advisable to put this telephone number on your mobile as a contact called 'Help', also a note on your fridge. As before, in any emergency it is imperative to call 999 and this must be done before contacting the Emergency Volunteers whose task is to assist whilst waiting for the emergency services. This system is available within the localised areas and there is no restriction on age at either end of the scale. All volunteers have been vetted. Let us hope there will be no necessity for a call but the volunteers are available 365 days a year, 24/7 if needed.
Be Safe
Alan

Eastling Village Tidy up Team.

I know that several villagers are concerned about the untidy look of the village. Some of you already pick up rubbish on your walks. This is an attempt to extend our efforts by formalising the coverage.

If you can contact me and let me know which walking route of the village you are prepared to clean up, say once a week, we may be able to make a real impact. I will do the footpaths that run from the Perks’ house across Churchfields to Norman’s and Mariana’s down to the road and back from Tong House to Churchfields. Obviously we will need a plastic sack and gloves or a pick-up stick. I hope loads of you can join this tidy up team. Regards.

Julia Bailey 01795 890401
julia.bailey@virginmail.co.uk

a site meeting on 24th May 2016 with Andrew Bowles and Alistair Coleman(KCC) and various actions to be taken - on the flooding at the bottom of Kettle Hill, at the Z bend, outside 6 Prospect Place and Tong Lane; the overgrown state of the the footway from Tong Lane to Prospect Place, potholes and stones and debris in the middle of North Eastling Road and Newnham Lane. Councillors would speak to the owners of Telfords and Orchard View regarding the overhanging trees. It had been a constructive meeting, although the lack of KCC funds is a factor. The Village Warden gave a summary of the last month. The Treasurer would be looking at the best deal for insurance for the Parish Council. The opening of a new account was unanimously agreed. Cllr Bowles had sent an email for the month. Cllr Bailey advised that she had reported to Highways regarding the missing directional road sign.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th July at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall.

Services in our Churches

The High Downs Benefice

3rd July Trinity 6

Isaiah 66. 10-14, Galatians 6. [1-6] 7-16, Luke 10. 1-11,16-20

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

Stalisfield 10 am Morning Prayer

10th July Trinity 7

Deuteronomy 30.9-14, Colossians 1.1-14, Luke 10.25-37

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Throwley 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

Otterden 3 pm Evening Prayer

17th July Trinity 8

Genesis 18.1-10a, Colossians 1.15-28, Luke 10.38-42

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Eastling 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

24th July Trinity 9

Genesis 18.20-32, Colossians 2.6-15[16-19], Luke 11.1-13

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Throwley 10 am Holy Communion (BCP)

31st July Trinity 10

Ecclesiastes 1.2,12-14;2.18-23, Colossians 3.1-11, Luke 12.13-21

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Throwley 10 am Benefice Service

7th August Trinity 11

Genesis 15.1-6, Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16, Luke 12. 32-40

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

Stalisfield 10 am Morning Prayer

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(BCP) Service taken from the Book of Common Prayer, 1662.

(CW) Service follows Common Worship Liturgy, 2000.

Eastling Church


Flower Rota

July 2016

3rd & 10th - Clive Joliffe

17th & 24th - Steph Youle

August 7th Joan Thomas & Julia Bailey



|                           |                                            |                                             |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Rector                    | Revd Canon Donald J. Lawton (01795 890487) | The Rectory, Newham Lane, Eastling ME13 0AS |
| Reader                    | Norman Fowler (01795 890412)               | 4 Meesons Close, Eastling                   |
| Reader                    | Hugh Perks (01795 890603)                  | Weald Cottage, Eastling                     |
| Reader                    | Caroline Ramshaw (01795 892088)            | 4 Glebe Cottages, Eastling                  |
| Churchwardens             |                                            |                                             |
| Eastling                  | Andrew Baxter (01795 890598)               |                                             |
| Parish Administrator      | Janet Payne (01795 890487)                 | E mail: eastlingchurch@gmail.com            |
| Stalisfield with Otterden | Jean West (01233 712270)                   |                                             |
| Parish Administrator      | Sheila Moger (01233 713212)                | E mail samhawksnest@aol.com                 |
| Throwley                  | Glynn Howland (01795 890094)               |                                             |

From The Registers

Wedding

Robert Andrews and Holly Alexander

25th June 2016 at Stalisfield

Midweek Groups

Tuesdays: Study group, 9.30am, dates to be arranged at Garden Cottage, Eastling. 01795 890368

Tuesdays: Weekly study group, 7.30pm Pinks Farm, Kettle Hill Road, Eastling. 01795 890338

Thursdays: Weekly prayer group, 10.30am Pinks Farm, Kettle Hill Road, Eastling. 01795 890338

Fridays: Weekly study group, 10.45am, New House Farm, Eastling. 01795 890629

You will be welcome at any of our groups.

Prayer for Healing in our Churches

Members of the team will be available for private prayer with you during and after Communion on:

3rd July 10am service at Eastling,

17th July, 10am service at Stalisfield,

24th July, 10am service at Throwley



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- Follow a simple pattern of daily prayer according to season and day of the week

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Download here:

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Richard Bewes considers a well-known Bible story...

What is at the centre of your life?

‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you’ (Luke 12: 20)


In this parable of Jesus, where did the businessman’s mistake lie, as he piled up this accumulation of wealth? Not in making wise provision for the future, *but in getting the centre of his life all wrong*. It is not that Christianity presents us with a biblical economic theory. Rather it gives us a viewpoint, a God-centred perspective on *Life* that helps us to cope with money, possessions, planning and disappointments alike.

Get this wrong, and a comment from the second century AD applies to us in the words of Clement of Alexandria – “Wealth is like a viper.” Handled aright, it’s harmless, but once let it entwine you, Beware!

The warning of Jesus was plain enough. “Life,” he said, “does not consist in an abundance of possessions” (verse 15). Generally, people would have called the man in our story ‘a success’. God called him ‘a fool.’

1. The wise fool The guy was industrious, frugal, good at saving....and planning. But it was *the God factor* that was missing - the small matter of eternity! He didn’t profess to be an atheist, but he lived the life of an atheist. Wise in so many ways, he was a fool. Indeed, how happy was he in himself?

FLOWERS FOR THE QUEEN



On the Bank Holiday weekend of 27th - 29th August 2016, our three Benefice Churches are going to be filled with flowers to celebrate the Queen’s 90th birthday.

Stalisfield Church- Open all day on Saturday 27th ( Stalisfield Fête Day) and Sunday 28th August.

Eastling Church- Open all day Sunday 28th and Bank Holiday Monday 29th August - teas served in the afternoons.

Throwley Church - Open all day Sunday 28th and Monday 29th August. Teas will be available in the afternoons.

The theme for the flowers is ‘The Queen’s Birthday’ and it can be interpreted in any way that the arrangers wish.

Emphasis will be on making the churches particularly beautiful, fragrant and imaginatively decorated for such a historical occasion.

The churches would love to encourage as many people as possible to join in with this celebration, not only by visiting the churches but also by participating in decorating them.

For more information, or if you feel that you could help in any way, please contact:

Jean West in Stalisfield: 01233 712270

Alison Young in Throwley: 01795 890213

Bay Lees in Eastling: 01795 892036

Communal decorating at Eastling will be on Saturday, 27th August and everyone is very welcome.

Summer Music Festival

Sheldwich Primary School, Lees Court Road, Sheldwich

Saturday 2nd July, 12 noon to 5.30pm

Festival combining traditional stalls, games and tea and cake with live music, a barbecue and entertainment for the whole family. Local bands Creek and Mashville will perform, interspersed with maypole dancers, some little ballet stars and a performing arts group. The event is free entry, but with plenty of opportunities to make a donation to the Sheldwich PTA.



The Plough Inn, Stalisfield; a family run, independent, award winning pub & restaurant offering an extensive menu of restaurant quality food and pub snacks as well as a large range of unique & locally produced drinks.

Band Night 15th July

Bloodstone Blue playing live from 8.30pm, free entry

THE Beer Festival

27th to 29th August

Beers and Bands to be enjoyed in the sun (or in the heated marquee given the British weather!)

Stalisfield Road, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0HY

Tel: 01795 890 256

Email: info@theploughinnstalisfield.co.uk



## Eastling Gardeners' Club Evening Garden Safari 2 June

On a dreary June evening some 40 garden lovers decided to join the Eastling Gardeners' Club evening garden safari. They were rewarded with visits to six immaculate gardens and were also fortified with wine and nibbles at various points. The evening ended with a meal at the village hall hosted by members of the committee of the Gardeners' Club. Many thanks to those who generously opened their gardens.

The next event is on 10th October when Ylva Bild-Mackensie of the Madrona Nursery, Bethersden will talk about unusual and interesting plants which will be available to buy.  
Clive Jolliffe 01795 890160

## Eastling Garden Safari

Thank you to everyone involved with the Garden Safari which was held on Saturday 18th June. The weather was not as good as we had hoped but we received very good feedback from all visitors who enjoyed our gardens and the refreshments provided. We raised £209.80 on the day. All funds to go to St Mary's Church, Eastling.  
Julie Kyte



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Belmont House and Gardens



### BELMONT HOUSE & GARDENS EVENTS

#### OUTDOOR THEATRE: All's Well That Ends Well

Friday 8th July, 7.30pm

All's Well that Ends Well is Shakespeare's tale of two lovers, Helena and Bertram, brought up together like brother and sister as the son and ward of a countess. The tumultuous plot unfolds as Helena pursues her unrequited love of Bert. Does Helena get her man? Come and find out! £20 adults, £10 for 10 to 18 year olds and under 10s go free! For more information, please visit our website.

#### SPOON CARVING WORKSHOP

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 10.30am – 4.00pm

You will be taught the safe and proven ways to carve and whittle. Phil from Badger Bushcraft will demonstrate how to get the best results from the tools. You will learn to safely and confidently perfect your techniques and by the end of the day, take home your very own spoon.  
£40.00pp including lunch.

#### OUTDOOR THEATRE: She Stoops to Conquer

Sunday 24th July, 2pm

In She Stoops to Conquer by Oliver Goldsmith, Londoner Marlow is invited to newly-rich country squire Hardcastle's house to meet his daughter Kate, with a view to marriage. When Marlow meets Kate he can barely look at her - he prefers a bit of fun with a lower class girl. Fooled into thinking Hardcastle's home is an inn and he is the innkeeper, Kate decides to dress down and act as scullery maid. Marlow falls for it and wants to run away with her. A hilarious comedy of manners full of trickery, mistaken identity and plenty of shenanigans. £20 adults, £10 for 10 to 18 year olds and under 10s go free!

#### MEET THE HEAD GARDENER

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July, 1.30 – 3.30pm

Graeme Watts, the Head Gardener at Belmont, will host a tour around our beautiful gardens. The tour will start with coffee and an introductory chat in the Orangery and lasts approximately 2 hours.  
Adults £5.00 and Concessions £4.00.

**Belmont House & Gardens, Throwley, Nr Faversham,  
Kent ME13 0HH**  
**www.belmont-house.org**

## THANK YOU

The Plant Sale in aid of the Seniors Christmas Lunch raised the magnificent sum of £725.00 A huge thank you to everyone who came along and supported us and especially those who donated plants, dispensed some much valued plant advice and helped to sell plants on the day. Also more thanks for the wonderful cakes people made and were very much enjoyed with a cup of coffee. Our heartfelt gratitude as always to Graeme Watts, the head gardener at Belmont, for their more than generous and superb donation of some stunning plants.  
Marion Willson

## THROWLEY WALKERS

Irene is kindly leading Wednesday walks in July  
01795 383015 07719 988257  
irenehealdwood@yahoo.co.uk



Friday walks will resume as soon as Ann's foot is better

**Wednesday 6 July** 10:30am Meet at Throwley Forstal

**Wednesday 13 July** 10:30am Oare Marshes (Bring binoculars). Turn off The Street, Oare, (at The Three Mariners). There is a car park at the very end of Church Road, ME13 0QA.

**Wednesday 20 July** 10:30am From Eastling Village Hall

**Wednesday 27 July** 10:30am Hothfield Common (Bring binoculars). The car park is on Cades Road, off Maidstone Road, 3 miles north east of Ashford along the A20, towards Maidstone. TN26 1HD.



## SHORT MAT BOWLS

Eastling bowlers went to Harrietsham to play a friendly and had a most enjoyable

evening. They did us proud with the food they provided and they also played better than us. So next season we shall have to have a return match with them.

We are looking for new members to come along and have a go, all equipment is provided we just ask for flat soled shoes to be worn: Eastling Village Hall on Fridays: 2.30 - 4.30pm and 7.30 - 9.30pm Contact Roy Piles on 01795 537162.



**Eastling Village Hall**  
**THURSDAYS**

9.15am FITNESS PILATES



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## Stalisfield Highlife

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### The Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration

The weather showed no respect for this august occasion but failed to dampen the spirit of the day in Stalisfield. Planned outdoor activity switched to an old fashioned party in the village hall suitably decorated with patriotic bunting. A goodly gathering of nippers to near nineties and with all ages between, joined in the national celebration of the Queen's Birthday on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June. Partygoers contributed to an amazing array of festive dishes laid out on buffet style tables in quantity sufficient to satisfy the heartiest of appetites. Conversation among friends and neighbours was as animated as always whenever the village gathers for a social occasion. A call for three cheers for the Queen punctuated the feast and received an equally hearty response. The crown created and worn by Leah was judged the most regal and won her the honour of being named Queen of Stalisfield.

## Stay Tuned !

August is a busy month. On August 19th the ladies of greater Stalisfield eschew male company and abandon their families to stage their Open Ladies Lunch as a fare-to-share event. Contacts: Tracy on 01795 890007, Cat on 01795 890298.

Later in the month the Stalisfield **Summer Fete on the Green** is planned for the August Bank Holiday Weekend (Saturday August 27). Mark the date for a fun-filled afternoon at a traditional village fare with something for young and old to enjoy.



### PAINTERS FORSTAL with SELLING W.I.

will be meeting in Eastling Village Hall on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 2.15pm. Our Speaker for the afternoon will be giving a talk about her work as a herbalist. If you are interested in coming along please get in touch with Barbara on 01795 890020 or Pat on 01795 539629. You will be made very welcome.

#### EASTLING VILLAGE HALL

To book ring Alan Willson  
on 01795 890848

www.eastlingvillagehall.co.uk



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

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**No skills required but personality counts!**

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Previous experience ideal but not essential - passion for the job is far more important

Full time Commis Chef/CDP

**Send your CV to**  
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**or pop in and see us with it!**

## Otterden and Stalisfield W.I.

Due to rescheduling because of wet weather, a wonderful June sunny evening was enjoyed at the lovely garden one of our

members. Many thanks to Mrs Laurie Scott for having us and also a big thank you to those who brought along the tasty cakes.

Our July meeting will be speaker Kate Brazier, aka 'The Queen of Puddings' who will be making our mouths water, telling us about her delicious recipes and the books she has written.

For information about our very friendly group please contact: Lesley Andrews (01795 890581) or Stephanie Culver (01795 890748).

July



2016

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| 6th Parish Council meeting         | 6.30pm   | Eastling Village Hall    |
| 6th Otterden & Stalisfield WI      | 7.30pm   | Stalisfield Village Hall |
| 7th Open Day                       | 1.10pm   | Eastling School          |
| 8th All's well that ends well      | 7.30pm   | Belmont                  |
| 15th Deadline for August Good News |          | See below                |
| 15th Bloodstone Blue               | 8.30pm   | The Plough               |
| 16th Frog Racing Gold Cup          | 7.30pm   | Stalisfield Village Hall |
| 17th Summer Fête                   | 12 - 4pm | Eastling School Field    |
| 19th WI Herbal Talk                | 2.15pm   | Eastling Village Hall    |
| 20th School Leavers' Service       | 9.05am   | Eastling Church          |
| 24th She Stoops to Conquer         | 2pm      | Belmont                  |
| 26th Magazine Folding              | 2pm      | Pinks Farm               |

**AUGUST** 27th Village Fête  
27th - 29th **Flowers for The Queen** in Stalisfield, Throwley and Eastling Churches

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