

**FRIENDS OF EASTLING SCHOOL**

We had some brilliant events leading up to Easter:  
 The Heaven's Bistro held in March was a great success and enjoyed by parents, children and friends alike.. Our thanks go to Lorraine for all her planning and culinary skills, to Debbie & Andy for their hard work and to all the other helpers. A total of £132 was raised to be put towards the purchase of work stations for the cookery club.  
 Thank you to everyone who donated jumble, plus all the time given by helpers on the day. The sale was well attended and raised £170 to add to the cookery club fund.  
 The rain just held off long enough for the Easter 'stone' egg hunt, then the children came into the hall for the presentation of prizes for the Egg decorating competition. Well done to all the children who entered and of course to the winners. The Raffle draw took place at the end of the day.  
 We have plans well under way for events in the Summer Term:

**Indoor Boot Fair  
 Saturday 20th May  
 Eastling Village Hall.**

A good opportunity to clear out your attic or garage! Please phone to book your table (only £3 each) on 01795 890519.  
 Set up from 10.30am, doors open at 1pm. Refreshments will be available.

Our annual **Swimming Pool Party with BBQ** will be held on Friday 23rd June at Faversham Swimming Pool - 6.45pm - 8.30pm. More details to follow.

The Eastling School **'Circus' Summer Fete** is on **Sunday 9th July** from 2pm to 5pm. The fete committee has some great ideas for this event. Any offers of help always welcome.

The **End of Term Disco** and Social Evening on the field will be held on the last day of Summer term 25th July. Do make a note to come along for a great evening for all the family.

Future dates for your diaries:  
 The **AUCTION** of items and promises will be on Saturday 23rd September in Eastling Village Hall. Proceeds to be split between FOES and the Parish Youth Worker. Watch this space for more information.  
**FOES AGM** - 28th September.  
**'APPLE PIE day'** - 13th October.  
 All information is available on the web site [www.eastling.kent.sch.uk](http://www.eastling.kent.sch.uk)  
 Jill Seaman, FOES Publicity 01795 890519.

**Young People's Church**

**Ospringe**  
**Family Service**, 21st May and  
**Family Communion**, 28th May,  
 11am in Ospringe Church

**Eastling**  
**S Club**, 21st May,  
 10am in the village hall:  
 Xstream for 6 - 11 yrs and  
 the GRID for over 11's.

**Youngstyle** 28th May,  
 10am in Eastling Church  
 Contact Leigh on 890149

**Puppet Club**  
 It is hoped that the Puppet Club will start again in Eastling during May, probably on 20th.  
 Anyone aged between 9 and 15 years can join the fun, phone Angela on 892124



**Craft Club**  
 May 12th and 26th  
 6.15pm in Champion Hall  
 50p per session

**Sponsors wanted**  
 for Lianne and Sam to walk the 12 mile Bluebell Walk on 1st May. Sponsorship money will go to NSPCC and SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome). Please phone 01795 890156.

**MOUSE HOLE**

**Buzzy Bees**

- Twist together 1 yellow pipe cleaner and 1 black pipe cleaner
- Slot in the wings made from a rectangle of cellophane, plastic or tissue that has been rounded off at the ends.
- Twist the pipe cleaners a further 3 to 4 times then trim.
- Make a large card beehive and hang lots of bees from it!

Kind words are like honey, sweet to the taste and good for the health  
 Proverbs 16:24

The name **DEBORAH** means **BEE**  
 Read Deborah's story in Judges 4 & 5

Have you heard the sayings:  
 'Busy as a bee'  
 'As sweet as honey'  
 'A hive of activity'  
 'The bee's knees'

**BEE WORDS:**  
 BEEN  
 BEEF  
 BEEP  
 how many more can you think of?

ASTRYO  
 KHNR  
 ELS  
 EPA

Here are 3 kind words... rearrange the letters in each honeycomb to find out what they are.

**Good News Parish Magazine May 2006**

**Stalisfield Highlife**

Spring has come late in Stalisfield but, arrive it has, and we are going wild!

**Spring Quiz Party**

Reserve Friday 12th May for our first Quiz Party in 2006. We will start promptly at 7.30pm in Stalisfield's Historic Hut on the green. Gather yourselves a table of six if you can or, if you can't, ring Ian on 10795 890475 for a guaranteed place amongst convivial company. We intend to present a lively evening, full of humour, atmosphere and with unbelievable prizes. You daren't miss it. We are ignoring the Budget and staying with our traditional popular formula of £2 per person, bring your own nibbles and tipples. Tried and tested quizmasters Ian and Nick will provide all other ingredients. Reservations should be made with Ian (01795 890475).

**Family Quiz**

**Saturday 13th May 7pm in Eastling Village Hall**  
 Please come and support us on our second QUIZ NIGHT, to raise funds for a Parish Youth Worker. Adults £3.00, children £1.50. Bring your own food and drink. Excellent Prizes  
 Fun and games for all the family. Phone 890865 to book your table.



**Christian Aid Week 14-20 May 2006**

**Sun 14th May**  
 6.30pm at the Baptist Church Churches Together in Faversham  
**Annual Christian Aid Service**  
 to be followed by Churches Together in Faversham AGM (approx 7.45pm)  
 All welcome

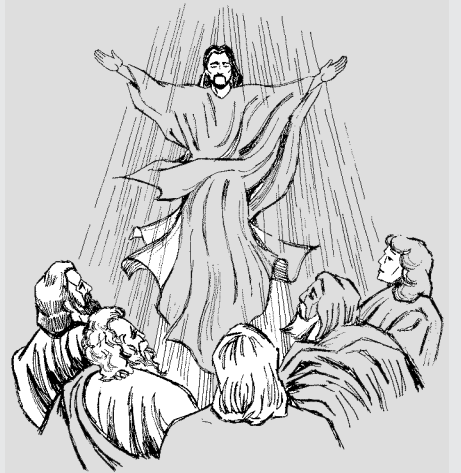
May the God who breathes life into the broken, who exposes our divisions and our pride, whose tenderness is the strength of the poor, bless us and charge us with power to live as community in our world, in the name of Christ. Amen.  
 (Christian Aid Harvest for the World)

**25th May Ascension Day Forty Days with the Risen Christ**

The month of May continues the season of Eastertide, and 40 days after Easter comes Ascension Day.

It may seem crazy to call it Eastertide when Easter is clearly over! - but these are the forty days during which the Risen Christ appeared again and again to his disciples, following his death and resurrection.

The Gospels give us little of Christ's teachings and deeds during those forty days. Jesus was seen by numerous disciples: on the road to Emmaus, by the Sea of Galilee, in houses, etc. He strengthened and encouraged his disciples, and at last opened their eyes to all that the Scriptures had promised about the Messiah. Jesus also told them that as the Father had sent him, he was now going to send them - to all corners of the earth, as his witnesses.  
 (Continued overleaf)



**Eastling Bluebell and Nature Walk Bank Holiday Monday 1st May**

Walks of varying length from short (3miles) to long (12miles). Maps and nature notes provided.  
 Come and enjoy the spring woods on May Day with some of the loveliest bluebells in Kent!  
 Adults £2.50, Children £1  
 Proceeds to raising funds for toilet and kitchen facilities in Eastling Church.

**BLUEBELL BISTRO** will be open in the hall for light lunches and refreshments. 10.30am - 4pm  
 Help needed on Saturday and Sunday (29th, 30th April) to put out the route markers. Please phone 01795 892124 or 890338 for more details.



## After the Ascension, what? What is Jesus doing now in heaven?

The New Testament tells us that Jesus ascended into heaven, and now intercedes for us at his Father's right hand.

Have you ever wondered what this means?

Some have mistakenly thought that our Lord is somehow constantly 're-offering' the sacrifice of his death before the Father in heaven, and in so doing is 'pleading' on our behalf. But the New Testament is clear in its insistence that Christ's death was historically once and for all achieved.

Hebrews 7:25,27 tells us "...he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them....he has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily.... Since he did this once for all when he offered up himself...."

Instead, Jesus is now in heaven to 'represent us before the Father' (1 John 2:1). He is there to escort you into the Father's presence every time you turn to God in prayer. That is why Christian prayer always ends with 'In Jesus Christ's Name'. He is our only way through.

## Oasis

Sunday 7th May

11am Ospringe Church

Continuing our series on Jesus Christ, this month we look at **His Resurrection**  
All welcome.

Contact number 535246.

## Sunday Freestyle

14th May

10.30am Eastling Village Hall

Guest Speaker: Michael Batey  
Breakfast from 10am  
All ages welcome

Contact number 890338

## Eastling, Stalisfield and Otterden News:

Now that Ospringe and Davington have the excitement of a new Priest-in-Charge, with Ali in place, I thought Eastling, Stalisfield and Otterden might like to hear what is next for them! We are at present in an 'interregnum' (no Priest-in-Charge: I am not yet fully trained), but we continue our customary worship in both churches with Norman Fowler (Reader) and me (Deacon) taking services, together with the back-up of Penny Fenton, who, though retired, is my mentor, and has been kindly filling in for me when I have been ill.



We also have a lively lay team who hold the informal 'FreeStyle' service in Eastling Village Hall once a month, and Leigh Dyson and team, who hold the 'Young Style' Service in Eastling Church once a month, and 'S-Club' (Sunday School) in Eastling

Village Hall the previous Sunday morning. Martin Beckenham, Deputy Church Warden at Stalisfield, has also been taking some services of Morning Prayer in Stalisfield.

Stalisfield is notable for its special services: Harvest, Crib service and Mothering Sunday have all been packed. Eastling also has a short (20mins) mid-week Celtic service - a simple liturgy, bible readings and meditation, on Wednesdays at 2.30pm in Eastling Church - especially suitable for parents before they pick up children from school.

All are welcome to these services, which range from traditional to formal, with many grades between - all our individual ways of worshipping God. We also have the Alpha course starting on 25th April for old and new Christians and seekers, plus the prospect of a Youth worker hopefully to join us in September. The 'Pop-in' and 'Puppet Club' continue to thrive

## Prayer Pointers

Sundays For a greater trust in God.

Mondays Those we know with young children.

Tuesdays Prayer and study groups in the parishes.

Wednesdays Local Councillors, especially those newly elected.

Thursdays For the National Health Service.

Fridays For the crisis in Iran.

Saturdays Christian Aid.



## Thank You

Many thanks to everyone who helped decorate our churches for Easter, and to those who donated money for the lilies.

## Whitehill Chapel Anniversary Concert

Thursday 1st June

7.30pm

Ospringe Handbell Ringers

All welcome.

and be a chance for old and young in the villages to meet and enjoy themselves.

And now we have a NEW HAPPENING! Canterbury and Rochester Dioceses are going to appoint a Rural Life Adviser, to come and live with us in the Rectory in Newnham Lane, Eastling. His or her brief is two-fold. One, to promote the Christian faith in rural areas, across the two Dioceses (so he or she should be very experienced in country matters!), and two, to be our Priest in Charge for two days a week, including Sundays. The post has already been advertised, with interviews to be held in late May. The successful candidate should be in place by mid-September.

To have this new priest will be very exciting. He or she will help us with our services, and will hopefully have a lot of new ideas about faith in the countryside. Meanwhile, we are very grateful to our churchwardens who are "in charge" during the interregnum.

May God bless you all,  
Angela Cheeseman

## Mothers' Union News

My thanks to you all for your thoughts and prayers for my recovery from my shoulder op. in January. I am feeling stronger and fitter every day.

Carol and I attended the M.U. Diocesan Council in March, at S.S. Martin and Paul Parish Centre, a bright new building within the ancient city centre church and is for the whole community. It was a well organised meeting with Reports on Action and Outreach, Finance, Prayer and Spirituality, Literature and World-Wide Council. Our Provincial President, Elizabeth Brown, talked of her role in the M.U. We are not only in the Canterbury Diocese but in the Province of Canterbury in England, the other Province in England is that of York! We all took part in group discussions and sharing of our branch activities in the past three years. I hope all who come to our meetings enjoy all that we are trying to do.

During the Celebration Communion Service for Lady Day, 25th March, in the Western Crypt of Canterbury Cathedral three new M.U. members were enrolled. The Service and Enrolment was led by Canon Noelle Hall, a M.U. member herself and Area Dean of the Canterbury Deanery. I have always loved the services in the Crypt. I have been

several times as a M.U. member and with Cursillo. You can almost feel the spirit of all the prayer said over the years. It is a beautiful and wonderfully quiet and restful place. I accompanied Vicky who felt it was an honour to play the Crypt organ in the Cathedral and the Dubois Toccata sounded fine too, thanks to Anthony who sorted the stops! The playing of the Dubois Toccata has been a personal achievement for Vicky. Well done Vicky.

At my first meeting back in harness in March, I was pleased to welcome Ali. It was nice to see her again. She always has a warm smile. Ali, please just pop-in whenever you have the time. Revd. Pat stepped in at the last minute as our planned speaker was ill. Pat looked at the death of our Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross, brutal, harrowing but an event that affects all our lives one way or another.

You are all welcome to call in the Parish Room on the last Wednesday of the month, if only for a cup of tea! Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 26th April, when Revd. Pat will talk about her latest holiday, and following that, the meeting is on Wednesday, 31st May.

God bless,  
Brenda Cardwell, Branch Leader.

## From the Organ Seat

Yes, praise be, Spring is here and the daffodils are a wonderful picture in our Churchyard and all around our area. Dorothy and Shirley planted some small daffodils around the tree by the Lych Gate and along the back wall near the Memorial Stones. You know my lack of green fingers! But, under their expert guidance, I planted one and filled the watering can! Thank you to Carolynne and Colin for adding the water-butt, a great addition. These daffodils are in memory of our long-time friend, Gracie Jenkins.

Peter and Gillian Camburn from Stoke-on-Trent joined us for a Service and wanted photographs of the Church as relatives came here, many of the Hadlow family. I took them to see the Hadlow W.W.I Grave and they have sent me these details. Private W. J. Hadlow, 201145, 2nd/5th Bn., Gordon Highlanders who died age 25 on 8th July, 1917, son of the late William and Elizabeth Ann Hadlow of 17, School Road. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission look after the grave near the South Porch.

Another visitor to our Church was David Balmer-Wellard of Brentwood. His Grandfather, Stephen Wellard married Sophia Blanche Hopkins. Unfortunately Sophia

died soon after giving birth to David's Dad. His Dad, born in March, 1919, is in a Nursing Home on the Isle of Sheppey and his sister, Hilda celebrates her 90th birthday in May and lives in Tenterden. David hopes to bring Hilda over to Ospringe soon so she can see some of her childhood places. William and Sophia had 6 children and Sophia probably died in April 1919 and was said to be buried under a tree in our churchyard. Sophia's Dad, Grandfather Hopkins, lived in Ospringe Road and, as a child, lived in Water Lane. David was going on to see his cousin, John Weller, who is a gardener at Goodnestone Park. I wonder if we met him when we took part in Songs of Praise?

Please support us as we raise funds for Church when David Flood will give a Concert/Recital on our Organ on St. Peter's Day. Thursday, 29th June at 7.30 p.m. followed by a time to chat over refreshments and hopefully in good Kent Summer weather!  
God bless, Vicky.



What a wonderful welcome Service to install and license Ali. I enjoyed the choice of music and was delighted to play the Dubois Toccata as the Extroit, a great personal achievement.

It was my privilege to tell the Easter story in Church using our windows, the altar and the Morales picture to each Infants Class. They enjoyed being told about the organ and going out to the Dubois Toccata. I received lovely Easter cards from each class, that was very special for me, thank you.

The Memorial Service for the 90th Anniversary of the Gunpowder Explosion was moving and brilliantly led by Tony Oehring supported by Father Wilfred and the Gospel Mission Band. Peter and Maureen Salmon a few years back planted daffodils in the middle of the Memorial and they were in full flower. What a thoughtful act.

The Taizé Service at St. Dunstan's was a meaningful and tuneful Service using the Seven Last Words of Christ. Anne, Stella, Jacqui and I were made very welcome.

On Maundy Thursday, Freda, Don, Stella, Hannah and I sang Easter hymns for the residents of Carnalea. We were introduced to several new residents. We gave thoughts and Bible verses in-between and they sang brilliantly and with smiles. You know our Choir motto, 'Smile and Sparkle'!

We had to say Wordsworth's "Daffodils" twice!

We gave then gold stars! After Don sang "The Old Rugged Cross" they joined in the refrain.

I think we brought joy to the staff too. We are enjoying a holiday break from Choir Practices but not Services! and look forward again to tuning our voices from Wednesday, 26th April, at 6 p.m.

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## Services in our Churches

## Ministry in our Parishes

### Tuesday 2nd May

Whitehill Chapel 2.15 p.m. Holy Communion

### 7th May 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 4. 5 - 12, John 10. 11 - 18

Ospringe 8 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Ospringe 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer (BCP)  
 Ospringe 11 a.m. Oasis  
 Davington 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion. (CW)  
 Whitehill Chapel 10 a.m. Brunch followed by  
 10.40 a.m. Family People's Choice  
 Eastling 10 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)  
 Otterden 3 p.m. Evening Prayer (BCP)

### 14th May 5th of Easter

Acts 8. 26 - end, John 15. 1 - 8

Ospringe 11 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)  
 Davington 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion. (CW)  
 Faversham Baptist Church 6.30 p.m. Christian Aid Service  
 Churches Together in Faversham  
 Eastling 8 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Stalisfield 10 a.m. Morning Prayer (BCP)  
 Eastling 10.30 a.m. Freestyle in Village Hall

### 21st May 6th of Easter

Acts 10. 44 - end, John 15. 9 - 17

Ospringe 8 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Ospringe 11 a.m. Family Communion  
 Davington 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion. (CW)  
 Stalisfield 10 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)  
 Eastling 10 a.m. Morning Prayer (BCP)

### 25th May Ascension Day

Davington 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion  
 Ospringe 3 p.m. Holy Communion

### 28th May Sunday after Ascension

Acts 1. 15 - 17, 21 - end, John 17. 6 - 19

Ospringe 11 a.m. Family Communion (CW)  
 Davington 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion. (CW)  
 Whitehill Chapel 11 a.m. People's Choice  
 Stalisfield 8 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Eastling 10 a.m. Youngstyle

### 4th June Pentecost

Acts 2. 1 - 21, John 15. 26 - 27; 16. 4b - 15

Ospringe 8 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Ospringe 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayer (BCP)  
 Ospringe 11 a.m. Oasis  
 Davington 10.30 a.m. Parish Communion. (CW)  
 Whitehill Chapel 10 a.m. Brunch followed by  
 10.40 a.m. Family People's Choice  
 Eastling 10 a.m. Holy Communion (CW)  
 Otterden 3 p.m. Evening Prayer (BCP)

Priest in Charge  
 of Ospringe Reverend Ali Duguid (01795 533272)  
 and Davington The Vicarage, Brent Hill, Davington, ME13 7EF  
 (not available Fridays)

Priest in Charge of Eastling and Stalisfield - Vacant

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

Reader Mr. Norman Fowler (01795 890412)  
 (Eastling, Stalisfield & Ospringe) 4 Meesons Close, Eastling.

Reader Mr. Hugh Perks (01795 890603)  
 (Eastling, Stalisfield & Ospringe) Weald Cottage, Eastling.

Methodist Minister Reverend Philip Barker (01227 463180)

#### Churchwardens

**Ospringe** Miss C. Brightman (01795 531960)  
 Mr. P. Larter (01795 531044)

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

**Stalisfield with Otterden**  
 Joint Warden { Mrs. J. Baker (01622 858332)  
 Mrs S. Gaind (01622 858551)  
 Mrs P. Thompson (01795 890376)  
**Whitehill** Miss. B. Richards (01795 532756)  
 Steward

#### Contacting the Church's staff

For general enquiries and for specific enquiries about Baptisms and Weddings, please telephone Faversham 531044 for Ospringe and Painter's Forstal; for Eastling and Stalisfield please telephone 01795 892124. 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.

#### June 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 May 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

### From the Registers

#### Baptism

NINA LOUISE Fulljames  
 26th March 2006 at Eastling

#### Funeral

Mollie Jeanette UTTRIDGE  
 28th March 2006 Cremation at Charing

#### Mid Week Worship at Davington

8 a.m. Morning Prayer will be said Monday - Thursday  
 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion every Thursday  
 (From 4th May this replaces the Friday service)

#### Mid Week Worship at Eastling

3 p.m. Celtic Prayer - 20 minutes for prayer and reflection.

Contact numbers  
 Swale NHW office 0808 100 3308 (free)  
 E-mail - neighbourhoodwatch.swale@kent.pnn.police.uk  
 Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 (24 hours, free and anonymous)  
 NHW liaison officer 01795 419212  
 Sittingbourne police station 01795 477055  
 Emergencies or crime in progress always use 999  
 Kent Trading Standards 08457 585 497



**Eastling  
 Neighbourhood  
 Watch.**

**Scam:** If you receive a card through your door from a company called **PDS (Parcel Delivery Service)** saying that they have a parcel awaiting delivery instructions, and can you contact them on 0906 6611911. **DO NOT call this number** as this is a scam originating from Belize. If you call the number and you start to hear a recorded message you will already have been billed £15 for the phone call. If you do receive a card with these details, then please contact Royal Mail Fraud on 0207 396655

**Unsolicited services:** You may be offered the services of persons to carry out landscape or general garden services. Advice is to refuse doorstep callers who are not responding to a request from you. Any information to the Police on 01795 477055 or the NHW office on free phone 0808 100 3308.

**Business advertising - possible scam:** A person who claims to be from a company called Trafalgar Press is cold calling Businesses in the Area wanting Companies to advertise in a crime prevention booklet that they are putting together. The caller who does

not leave a name or a phone number says it would cost £149 and payment is required over the phone. He has said that the business he is calling advertised in previous booklets. Trading Standards confirmed that they are getting quite a lot of reports of this type of scam where callers talk businesses into handing over approx £150 and say they are going to be in a crime prevention booklet but the booklets never materialise. Whether Trafalgar Press are legitimate or not, the advice is not to part with money.

**Car jacking:** A new type of car jacking could be coming our way and is used in car parks. You unlock your car, start the engine and shift or put into reverse and look into your rear - view mirror to back out of your parking place and notice a piece of paper stuck to the middle of the rear window. So, you shift the gear lever back into park or neutral; get out of the car to remove the paper. When you reach the back of your car the car jackers appear out of nowhere, jump into your car and drive off. Your car engine is usually running. This started in Scotland and is now being used in Manchester and London.

**There is now a dedicated report line for the  
 Anti Social Behaviour Officer at Swale Borough Council: 01795 417575**

#### HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE WEB FORUM

The latest development on Eastling's local community website means that residents can share ideas and concerns, promote their clubs and coming events, seek information and even sell and seek goods and services. The new on-line Forum is free and very easy to use.

Posting messages is a simple "do-it-yourself" process with everything appearing on the Forum within seconds of it being submitted. Currently everyone can read and submit messages, but registering as a "member" of the Forum gives useful extra facilities, only takes a couple of minutes and, of course, is free.

To see the Forum and join in, follow the link on the homepage of the Eastling Website at [www.eastling.info](http://www.eastling.info)

#### EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

On 10th April 2006 the Parish Council held its Annual Parish Meeting in conjunction with the Village Hall Trustees.

A full set of minutes will be published on the Eastling website; <<http://www.eastling.info>>

Thanks were expressed to John Payne who had retired as a Councillor and Chairman at Eastling for some years.

Eastling Website: The village website had been updated - see next column.

The plan to provide office facilities in the village hall is underway, with broadband line installed and equipment ordered for user groups to use.

**Village Sign:** A draft of the proposed village sign, prepared by John Darlington, is on view on the hall corridor notice board.

**Village Warden:** A questionnaire will be prepared and published on the web-site and circulated around the village.

**Motorcycles:** The illegal riding of motorcycles by unlicensed, uninsured minors on public roads and across private land

has caused concern. It is hoped that a meeting of all the interested, relevant and responsible parties can be arranged. These should include the Kent Police, Swale Housing Association, Eastling and Newnham Parish Councils and the land-owners concerned.

**Speed Limit:** The Council is still pursuing the matter, especially in view of the enormous sums of money being spent in Newnham and Doddington to achieve the same result.

**'County Lengthsman' scheme:** The system requires that members of the public should advise the Parish Clerk of any potholes or similar road obstructions. He can fill in the necessary forms and hopefully get something done.

**Accounts:** The Treasurer explained in detail the income and expenditure of the Parish Council. The precept had been maintained at £1,400.00. There were opening and closing balances of £3045.00 and £3064.00 respectively.

The Annual General Meeting of the Eastling Parish Council will be held on Monday 8th May 2006 at 6.00pm, followed by the regular bi-monthly meeting. Members of the public are invited to attend.

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# Stalisfield Highlife

## Spring Quiz Party

Friday 12th May

More details on front cover

## Jumble Sale

Come along to our quality JUMBLE SALE to be held on Saturday 17th June, starting 2pm in the Hut on the green at Stalisfield. You won't be disappointed.

Donations of items for sale may be left in the porch on Friday 16th, or collection can be arranged by telephoning Ian on 01795 890475.

Notice of the sale will be restricted to the area served by 'Good News'.

## Stalisfield Theatre Season

This is an advance notification that the 'Time of Our Lives Music Theatre Company' has resumed performances this year, after a one year break. The Company will present a brand new show with renewed vigour, in the Stalisfield theatre on Friday 17th December 2006. We are delighted that we can again begin the season with a performance from this acclaimed Company.

Booking details will be advertised nearer the event, in good time for the opening of the box office.

## Fete on the Green

The success of last year has prompted enthusiasts to propose a repeat for 2006. We anticipate a date of 26th August, i.e. Bank Holiday. Ideas for events, particularly those suited for the participation of children, are needed.

If you can help with such ideas or with offers of help on the day, please telephone Cat on 01795 890298, or Kim on 01795 890691, or Roy on 01233 712893. We really need help on this one. Further notices will appear as the summer progresses.

## Window Painting

Thanks to valiant efforts at fund raising we have managed to have the windows replaced in the Hut. The new wood is primed but needs finish painting. If you fancy your brushwork, we would be delighted to welcome your help in completing the project. Anyone who can undertake to paint even just one window would be welcome. There is no fixed programme. Just phone Ian (01795 890475) or Roy (01233 712893) to volunteer at your own pace and convenience.

## PUDDLEDUCKS PLAYGROUP

We hope you all enjoyed the Easter Holidays and are ready for the Summer term. The children will be creating some flowery pictures, as well as looking at more letters of the alphabet. Plenty of time left in each session for role play, painting and other fun activities. Although we are currently open on Tuesdays and Fridays, it is possible that we may have a session on Mondays this term. Anyone interested should contact Lisa or Vicky or phone me. The cost of each session remains at £3.50. Jill Seaman, Playgroup Manager - 01795 890519

## Coffee Pop-In

Pop-In will be open all through May with cakes for sale on 3rd May and 7th June.

Wednesdays 9 - 11am in Eastling Village Hall

Toddlers welcome.

26th April - Circus skills workshop.



## Start Your Summer Shape Up.

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 tone & shape these specific areas.

8.00pm FAT BURNER

works on aerobic fitness, using fun moves. It helps to control and burn body fat.

## NEW THURSDAYS

9.15am FITNESS FUSION

A blend of PILATES, DANCE and helps develop muscle tone, balance, flexibility & relaxation.

Classes £3.00 each or £5.00 for a double class (on Wednesdays).

More info contact Leigh 01795 890149 Or leigh.fitness@btinternet.com

## Having a Party?

## Planning a Wedding?

## Venue for your Club ...

Hall and smaller rooms available with kitchen facilities at

## Eastling Village Hall.

For more information contact Mr Tony Stephens on 890010.



## Painter's Forstal Amenities Committee Barn Dance

Saturday 3rd June

Painters Farm,

Tickets now available phone 532756, 532043 or 536548.



## Craft Fayre

Saturday 11th November

To book your table at this year's

Craft Fayre, please phone

Bobbie on 532756.

The Easter Surprise was well attended with 37 children taking part. Every child received an Easter Egg and further eggs were gained as prizes for Wellie Throwing; Lianne Reid, Ben Merrell, Daisy Jordan and Ioan Saul. The most questions correct was drawn between the Seaman and Datana families. The children coloured hard boiled eggs to take home. Many thanks to Karen Potts for organising the event and to all the helpers.

## Dr. David Flood,

Organist and Master of Choristers of Canterbury Cathedral, will give an

## Organ Recital

## at Ospringe Church,

on St.Peter's Day, Thursday, 29th June, at 7.30 p.m. followed by refreshments.

Donations in aid of Ospringe Church Funds.

## Ospringe Charity Open Day

Marion, Pam and Sally

wish to thank everyone who supported them in any way, at Marion's Open Day.

We raised £200 - which is being divided equally between Ospringe Church and Canterbury Hospice.

## KS2 SATs

Literacy/Numeracy/Science Kent Test Preparation Verbal/Non Verbal Reasoning

Ring 07834 537 694

for free consultation

Times available:

Saturday 9am-1pm

Sunday 9am-3pm

A fully qualified, practicing KS2 teacher offers tutoring in the Faversham area. Year5/6 specialist

## Afternoon Club

Activities

May 11th Board Games

May 25th Board Games

Both meeting at 2pm in the Champion Hall, Painter's Forstal New members welcome.



## GRAND CHARITY AUCTION

to be held in a marquee in the garden of The Bowl Inn on Saturday 3rd June, at 2.30pm, in aid of the R.N.L.I. . Please phone 01233 712256 or see our website www.bowl-inn.co.uk for more details.

## Painter's Forstal with Ospringe Women's Institute Resolutions Meeting

16th May, 2.15pm Champion Hall

Competition: A dried fruit "Pattern on a Plate", plus Flower of the Month.

## The Benefice Festival Choir

The choir gave two very well performed and received performances of Vivaldi's Gloria - a brilliant work - at Newnham and Eastling in Holy Week.

This notice is a Thank You to all who took part and to all who came to listen. The two retiring collections raised the handsome sum of £202.50 in aid of Cancer Research.

We are thinking about next year - would anyone who would like to 'do' a work and have some real enjoyment please contact me on 521470.

Thank you again. Philippe Lacamp



The Rotary Club of The Weald of Kent 21st NORTH DOWNS WALK Do you need to raise money for your favourite charity or cause?

We invite you to come and join us to raise money for CANCER RESEARCH UK and other ROTARY charities. Sunday 25th June 2006

Start and Finish at Harrietsham Village Hall, the walk is over a well marshalled route of either 5 or 10 miles on the North Downs.

Pets - on leads - are welcome! En-route refreshments are provided. For further details, contact either the North Downs Walkline 01622 890650 or visit our website www.wealdofkentrotary.org.uk

## Painter's Forstal Gardeners' Club

Monday 15th May Evening outing

SATURDAY 3rd JUNE

Annual Coffee Morning

at 74 London Road, Faversham 10am - 12 noon.

Something for everybody to enjoy.

Saturday 10th June

an all day trip to Kew Gardens

For more details phone 533608

## Eastling Gardeners' Club

Thursday 11th May

Evening Visit to

Macknade's Fine Foods

Thursday 22nd June

Evening visit to Torry Hill Gardens

Please let Clive Jolliffe know if you intend coming Tel: 890160



## Teas at Copton Ash

Monday 29th May

OPEN GARDEN

Copton Ash, Ashford Road, Faversham 2 - 6pm

Proceeds from the homemade teas and cakes for sale will be donated to local

RETHINK carers support group.

Refreshments contact number

01795 890375

## Eastling Volunteers

Invite all villagers to visit the Vegetable Plot at Churchfields Farm on Friday 26 May between 12 noon and 6 pm.

The volunteers from the retired to our young folk have built the garden to give school children a hands on experience of planting, growing harvesting and eating fresh fruit and vegetables. Do come and visit. Parking at Churchfields or the Village Hall. Light refreshments but do wear suitable footwear.



# May



2006

## Diary

## May 2006

1st Bluebell Walk	from 11am	Eastling Village Hall
3rd Cakes at Pop-In	9-11am	Eastling Village Hall
8th Eastling Parish Council	6pm	Eastling Village Hall
11th Afternoon Club (Board Games)	2pm	Champion Hall
11th Eastling Gardeners' evening visit to Macknade		
12th Quiz Party	7.30pm	Stalisfield Hut
13th Family Quiz Night	7pm	Eastling Village Hall
15th Deadline for June Good News		
15th Painter's Forstal Gardeners' Evening outing		
16th W.I. Resolutions meeting	2.15pm	Champion Hall
20th Indoor Boot Fair	1pm	Eastling Village Hall
25th Afternoon Club (Board Games)	2pm	Champion Hall
26th Vegetable Plot Viewing	12 - 6pm	Churchfields, Eastling
29th Open Garden	2 - 6pm	Copton Ash
30th Magazine folding	2pm	usual venues
JUNE 1st Anniversary Concert	7.30pm	Whitehill Chapel
3rd Coffee Morning	10am	74 London Road
3rd Charity Auction	2.30pm	The Bowl, Charing
3rd Barn Dance		Painter's Farm
17th Jumble Sale	2pm	Stalisfield Hut

## Tennis.

### Wanted

Somebody to play tennis with, once or twice a week. (I'm a bit rusty, but could improve in time.) 01795 539825