

S Club

for all primary school aged children
on Sunday 16th May,
10am in Eastling Village Hall

Youngstyle

A half hour service for all
young at heart
Sunday 23rd May,
10am in Eastling Church

Kids' Club

Craft Club

Fridays 7th
and 21st May,
6.15 - 7.15pm
Champion Hall,
Painters Forstal.
50p per session
Contact number 532756.

UNDER THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the month of May we can remember two very different men who fought under the sign of the cross.

On the night before a great battle, the Roman Emperor Constantine dreamt of a cross in the sky and the words 'in this sign conquer'. After his victory, Constantine ended 300 years of persecution and Romans were allowed to become Christians. Christianity became the official religion of the Roman Empire. Constantine died on 22nd May in the year 337.

Some 1,500 years later, Jean Henry Dunant (who was born on 8th May 1828) was horrified to see the dreadful suffering after the Battle of Solferino. He spent the rest of his life working for the casualties of war, fighting under the banner of the Red Cross to relieve world-wide suffering.



Are you afraid of the countryside?

A recent study has found that some mothers are too afraid to take their children rambling because they struggle to read a map, and are worried about mud and danger. The study, by Hertfordshire University, found that middle class mothers are "obsessed with injury and dirt", and doubt their children would make it on a five mile walk.

Paul Christensen, chairman of Natural England, says: "Our research shows that contact with nature has halved in a generation, and that the overwhelming majority of children now want more opportunities to play outdoors." Instead, most parents limit excursions to country parks and farms that cater for families.

Parents - bring your children on the Bluebell Walk - way marked routes, walk at your own pace and delicious refreshments at the village hall when you've finished. Monday 3rd May, start between 10.30am and 2pm, Eastling village hall.



What kind of lights did Noah have on the Ark?

Floodlights.

What did the little lightbulb say to its mother?

I wuv you watts and watts.

Mouse Makes

What happened at PENTECOST?
READ Acts 2:1-42

"They were all filled with the HOLY SPIRIT"
Acts 2:4

1. Glue onto coloured paper.
2. Cut out and cut along '.....' diagonal lines
3. Bend out a paperclip. Tape onto wooden stick
4. Push clip end through centre 'x'
5. Bend each corner with a 'o' to centre 'x' and push over end of clip
6. Bend over clip end to secure.

The Holy Spirit teaches us
John 14:26

The Holy Spirit helps us
Romans 8:26

The Holy Spirit guides us
John 16:13

The Holy Spirit comforts us
John 14:16

May 10

Stalisfield Highlife Quiz Party!

The snowdrops have dropped, the crocuses croaked. Spring is well sprung and it's time to sharpen wits and pencils again.

May 21 is the date for the Stalisfield Spring Quiz Party where entertainment blends effortlessly into erudition. Collect your friends and make up a table of six or join the "pot luck" group. Either way you'll be glad you came to the best quiz party in or out of town.

The prizes are unbelievable and the atmosphere convivial.

Join us for a prompt start for 7.30 on the evening of Friday 21st May, in "The Hut" on the Green at Stalisfield. We are sticking to our time honoured formula of £2.50 per person, bring your own nibbles and tipples.

Quizmaster Ian is ready on the reservations line (01795) 890475 to ensure your place.

Rogation Service
Sunday 9th May,
10am
Stalisfield Church

Come and enjoy afternoon tea at

Stalisfield Church
on Rogation Sunday,
May 9th
2.00 - 5.00pm

Find out more about Stalisfield's past from history displays in the church and bring your children, they can learn about creatures and plants in the churchyard while bug hunting with Neal. Cakes for sale to take away.

Organ recitals throughout the afternoon.

BLUEBELL WALK

Bank Holiday Monday
3rd May

Eastling Village Hall

The cold winter has kept the bluebells back and this year they are looking especially lovely, so....

Bring your family, bring your friends for a great day out in our local bluebell woods.

Three different walks to choose from, all start from the Village Hall car park, between 10.30am to 2pm.

Maps and nature notes provided. £2.50 per adult and £1 per child.

Contact number is 07940 490 896.

And when you've worked up an appetite the

BLUEBELL BISTRO

will be open in the hall from 10.30am - 4pm

There will be a bar and, as well as teas, coffees, cakes etc., we will be serving homemade hot meals such as curries, lasagna, jacket potatoes, or ploughman's or salads.

Children's special - sausages in beans.

And don't forget our homemade puddings!

Good News Parish Magazine May 2010



Thank you to Mariamne Grove for our lovely bluebell border.

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

Ascension Day - Forty Days with the Risen Christ

May continues the season of Eastertide, and 40 days after Easter comes Ascension Day, this year on 13th May.

It may seem crazy to call it Eastertide when Easter is clearly over, but these are the 40 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. Surely the most tender, moving 'farewell' in history took place on Ascension Day. The last chapter of Luke's gospel records the story with great poignancy: "When Jesus had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands - and blessed them." As Christmas began the story of Jesus' life on earth, so Ascension Day completes it, with his return to his Father in heaven. Jesus' last act on earth was to bless his disciples. He

and they had a bond as close as could be: they had just lived through three tumultuous years of public ministry and miracles, persecution and death - and resurrection! Just as we part from our nearest and dearest by looking at them with love and memories in our eyes, so exactly did Jesus: "While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven."

The disciples were surely the most favoured folk in history. Imagine being one of the last few people on earth to be face to face with Jesus, and have him look on you with love. No wonder, then that Luke goes on: "they worshipped him - and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God." No wonder they praised God! They knew they would see Jesus again one day!

"I am going to prepare a place for you... I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am." (John 14:2,3) In the meantime, Jesus had work for them to do: to take the Gospel to every nation on earth.



Prayer Pointers May 2010



Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, guide our choices.

Heavenly Father, source of all truth and wisdom, who knows and loves the whole creation, watch over our nation at election time: that truth may prevail over distortion, wisdom triumph over recklessness and the concerns of every person be heard.

Lord Jesus, who chose the way of the cross in the Garden of Gethsemane, help us to turn our backs on self interest and to support policies that sustain the poor, the vulnerable and the frightened people of this world.

Holy Spirit, who brought understanding among myriad peoples and languages at Pentecost, give to all your people a passion for peace and inspire us to work for unity and co-operation throughout the world and in our political life together. Amen.

<i>Sunday</i>	Give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit.
<i>Monday</i>	Pray for the new Bishop of Dover, Rt Revd Trevor Wilmott.
<i>Tuesday</i>	Pray for Caroline, Angela and Norman.
<i>Wednesday</i>	For the new government, that they may serve our country and rule justly and in good faith.
<i>Thursday</i>	Think about the Ascension of Our Lord.
<i>Friday</i>	Those known to us who are unwell in body, mind or spirit.
<i>Saturday</i>	Peace over all Your Creation.

Trinity Sunday, 30th May.

Trying to explain the doctrine of the Trinity has kept many a theologian busy down the centuries. One helpful picture is to imagine the sun shining in the sky. The sun itself - way out there in space - unapproachable in its fiery majesty - is the Father. The light that flows from it, and which illuminates all our lives, is the Son. The heat that flows from it, and which gives us all the energy to move and grow, is the Holy Spirit. You cannot have the sun without its light and its heat. The light and the heat are from the sun, are of the sun, and yet are also distinct in themselves, with their own roles to play.



Pentecost Healing Service

Sunday 23rd May, 6.30pm
St. Mary of Charity,
Faversham
organised by members of the
Ospringle deanery.
All welcome

11th July Eastling Church
Freestyle with a healing aspect.
September 12th Eastling Church
10.30am Healing Service

Come and join us for
**SUNDAY
FREESTYLE**
Christ ascended, glorified

9th May
10.30am in Eastling Church
All welcome
Breakfast from 10am

Eastling Church
Flower Rota
May 1/2 Pim Baxter
8/9 Mel Jordan
15 / 16 Mel Jordan
22 / 23 Jane Hamley
29 / 30 Jane Hamley



Eastling Village Hall

The Village Hall will soon be looking much smarter with some new windows and doors. As anyone with a south-ish facing elevation in the village will know, windows and doors with this aspect take a pounding from the weather and the rear windows and doors at the Hall were looking decidedly sorry for themselves. Ever the ones to look for labour saving options, the Trustees thought it would be good to replace the wooden frames with uPVC and paid a deposit to Able Glass, a local supplier. However we thought we had better check with Swale Borough Council's Planners who would not approve uPVC as we are in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty - probably rightly!! So we located another local carpenter and joiner who is refurbishing and replacing the existing timber frames. The Trustees are very grateful to Able Glass for the trouble they took in quoting for the job and also for their generosity in refunding our deposit, and we are also delighted to report that the Parish Council have given us a grant of £420 towards the total cost of replacement of just over £2,000. Our thanks go to the Parish Council for their continued support for the Hall. Bookings for the Hall remain at a high level - lots of weddings over the summer months. The Hall is a great local venue and the Trustees will continue to do all they can to maintain and improve the facilities.
Sue Parry, for Trustees of Eastling Village Hall



EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Parish Meeting was held in the Village Hall on Thursday 22nd April 2010, in conjunction with the Village Hall Committee, and was attended by 12 members of the public, Cllr Andrew Bowles and Rev Caroline Pinchbeck. The Chairman spoke about the sad death of Mike Thomas who had been the clerk for many years as well as involved in village life - he will be sorely missed. He continued that there had been few planning applications during the year and advised the meeting that, whilst the Parish Council is consulted, the decisions are made by Swale Borough Council. Planning permission is still awaited for the village sign which was funded entirely by grants. The speed limit reduction to 30mph through the village was still being pursued by Cllr Bickerdike. Potholes had been reported regularly and some of the larger ones had been repaired, although the severe

frosts in the winter had exacerbated the situation. Anti-social behaviour in the village has declined - residents appreciate the efforts made on their behalf by the Village Warden. The Treasurer reported that the last financial year had finished with the budgeted bank balance being closely managed. The precept had reduced from the previous year and the Parish Grant scheme had now finished, with all grants spent on community projects. Rev Pinchbeck gave a summary of both the church and Eastling School year and residents were invited to comment on any village matters. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 27th May 2010 at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall.

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

Eastling Neighbourhood Watch

Parish /Village Warden 07794 010394
Crimestoppers 0800 555111
Swale Police 01795 477055
Emergencies 999

There have been a couple of telephone calls received in the village relating to cheap burglar alarms. Please do not give any information about your own system or your property, **it is a scam**. Do not have any concern about replacing the receiver immediately. Some vehicles are still being driven without due care through the village, mainly from the Otterden area, please drive carefully. The odd fly tipping incident has been noticed recently in the local area. If any persons are seen committing this offence, please do not approach, but try where possible to take a vehicle no, let the police or myself know about it and the appropriate action will be taken. I would like to pay my own tribute to the late Mike Thomas who, with the Parish Council, was very instrumental in tackling the various anti social problems that we were experiencing in the village a couple of years ago and ensuring that we live ongoing in quiet a secure location. Well done Mike and thank you. Have a good month, Alan

The Carpenters Arms

01795 890234

Pensioners Of Eastling

The £5 Thursday lunch menu will continue with our home made dishes, changing weekly and a new tapas menu coming soon.

"The Feastling"

Sunday 30th May- Village hall 1pm onwards

Tickets on sale now £10
Traditional charcoal and apple wood hog roast
Barbecue and salad bar * Full bar facilities
Selection of Kent's finest live bands
confirmed so far: "Goosebumps", "Wildfire", "Learning Curve", "Happy Trails", "Steve Boltz" and Eastling's own "Jailbird"

Live music dates

Sunday 2nd May Enigma. Jazz quartet. From 4:30
Thursday 6th Local rock & blues covers
Thursday 13th Selkie. Irish folk twin sisters
Thursday 20th Goosebumps swing/rock/Cajun must see!
Thursday 27th AON. Popular rock & pop covers

The courtyard is nearing completion with the new furniture arriving this month and the exterior lighting and signage also due to be completed in May. Summer events for the courtyard are now being booked. Among them a courtyard opera performance and a flamenco evening, all dates announced in the Good News first.
Best Wishes
Mitch & Donna



A Murder is Announced

Agatha Christie's 'Miss Marple' murder mystery, will be performed in the Arden Theatre, Faversham, from 19th to 22nd May. Performances start at 8pm. Tickets cost £6 adults; £5 children and concessions, available on the door or phone 531600.

Services in our Churches

2nd May Easter 5

Acts 11. 1 - 18, John 13. 31 - 35

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)
 Otterden 3 pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

9th May Easter 6

Acts 16. 9 - 15, John 14. 23 - 29 or John 5. 1 - 9

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10.30 am Freestyle
 Stalisfield 10 am Rogation Service

16th May Easter 7

Acts 16. 16 - 34, John 17, 20 - end

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Stalisfield 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am S Club in Village Hall

23rd May Pentecost

Acts 2. 1 - 21, John 14. 8 - 17 [25 - 27]

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am Youngstyle
 Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

30th May Trinity

Romans 5. 1 - 5, John 16. 12 - 15

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am Benefice Service

6th June Trinity 1

Galatians 1. 11 - end, Luke 7. 11 - 17

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)
 Otterden 3 pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

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

Services at Whitehill Chapel

2nd May 10 am Brunch
 10.40 am Family Choice
 9th May 11 am Morning Service
 16th May 11 am Family Communion
 23rd May 11 am People's Choice
 30th May 11 am Family Choice

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals at Whitehill,
 please contact Revd. D. Hodgson on 01795 532461

Ministry in our Parishes

Priest in Charge Reverend Caroline Pinchbeck (01795 890487)
 The Rectory, Newnham Lane, Eastling
 Faversham ME13 0AS
 <caroline.pinchbeck575@btinternet.com>

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

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

Reader Hugh Perks (01795 890603)
 Weald Cottage, Eastling

Churchwardens

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

Stalisfield with Otterden Martin Beckenham (01795 892079)

The Parish Administrator, Jan Beckenham, is in the office on Monday and Friday mornings and one other day during the week (this is not fixed) and can be contacted on 01795 890487 or via email at eastlingchurch@googlemail.com.

From the Registers

Baptisms

Edward Christopher Wilks
 4th April at Otterden

Laurie Hebditch MOORE
 10th April 2010 at Eastling

Funeral

Michael Robert James THOMAS
 13th April 2010 at Eastling

Thank You

Joan Thomas and family would like to thank everyone for the tributes, kind thoughts and prayers received at this very sad time.
 It is much appreciated.

Correction

We apologise to the family of Peter Skinner whose cremation on took place at Barham Crematorium and not at Charing, as printed in April *Good News*.

Midweek Groups

Tuesdays Bible study 7.30pm Pinks Farm
 Thursday Prayer Group 10.30am Pinks Farm
All welcome, phone 01795 890338

After that row with your spouse....

Here's something you probably would not have thought of: next time you have a row with your nearest and dearest, reach for a crossword puzzle or Sudoku – it will help you make up more quickly after your argument. Psychologists from Harvard University say that stimulating mental activity helps to stop people from harbouring a grudge. It seems that emotions are better controlled among people who have more activity in the part of the brain – the lateral prefrontal cortex – which is associated with puzzle solving.

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	4		3		1	9		
		8					1	4
		4		2		3		7
3					9	8	2	

Handwriting Competition

Age 5 – 7 Winnie-the-Pooh by A A Milne

Here is Edward Bear, coming downstairs now, bump, bump, on the back of his head, behind Christopher Robin. It is, as far as he knows, the only way of coming downstairs, but sometimes he feels that there really is another way, if only he could think of it. And then he feels that perhaps there isn't. Anyhow, here he is at the bottom, and ready to be introduced to you. Winnie-the-Pooh.



Remembrance

by Audrey Keen

Taken from My Stable Diary during the 1980s.

In the tack room I painted the walls magnolia. I recovered one of the box ottomans that were used to store the horses' rugs and sundry riding clothes. The hard surface on one of these boxes was ideally suited as a desk, and on this were placed books, telephone and a typewriter, the usual records relating to stable work, plus vet and farrier appointment cards. The walls, moderately decorated with photographs and pictures of a horsey nature, all added up to the atmosphere of cosiness in this room where the saddle, bridle and harness were cleaned. The notice board at that time had many items pinned to it: a calendar, stable reminder pad, current card of local hunt fixtures, rosettes, a copy of the horses' prayer, author unknown, and sundry papers and letters of my employer. The tack room also boasted a sink unit and range, the latter favoured by the cats during the winter months.

The atmosphere in the tack room was always good. It was warm in winter, cool in summer. There was always a pleasant smell of leather and saddle soap, and the views from the window in the 1980s were always lovely. The horses were seldom



poorly, but if there was a thrown shoe or sprain, the tack room was the place to discuss and confide. When all was well again, like the cat, we could relax back into the quiet ambience that was this special room where the summer breezes would creep through the open window and flex the curtains half covering the panes.

*Count, the heavy horse
 another of my chums
 He whickers and he nuzzles me
 whenever mealtime comes.
 He's affectionate and friendly -
 yes I lost my heart here too,
 With an animal so adorable
 it's not difficult to do.
 He too has work - he pulls the truck
 and does his very best,
 And on return from this
 he has a well earned rest.*

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Eastling School Competitions

Summer 2010 – closing date Friday 2nd July 2010

Age 8 – 11 School is Great by Allan Ahlberg

When I'm at home, I just can't wait
 To get to school - I think it's great!

Assemblies I could do without,
 But I love it, giving hymn-books out.

Writing's fun, when you try each letter,
 But sharpening the pencils first - that's better!

Football leaves me with the stitch,
 But I'd miss playtime to mark the pitch.

Cooking cakes gives you a thrill,
 But cleaning the bowl out's better still.

Story's nice at the end of the day,
 But I'd rather empty the rubbish away.

Yes, school's great - though I'll tell you what:
 Going-home-time beats the lot!

The Handwriting Competition will be judged on the neatness of the handwriting and the accuracy of the reproduction of the text.

Photography Competition

The theme is 'Village Life' and there are 3 classes – age up to 11, 12 – 18 and adult. All photographs should be unframed and no larger than A5, with no wording apart from the title. The photography competition will be judged by a local photographer.

If you need any further information please contact Pauline Gaston on 01795 886404

Send entries, clearly marked to: Pauline Gaston, Eastling School, Kettle Hill Road, Eastling, Kent ME13 0BA

School news

Congratulations to the winners of the St. George's Day model making competition. There were some great models of St. George and the dragon ...all made from recycled materials.

All children from Year One to Year Six were given a talk highlighting the dangers of fire and what to do in an emergency. Thanks to the Kent Fire and Rescue Service.

Gardeners - if anyone in the village has spare plants, tools, or even time; the children would love to hear from you.



Relax! I'm not the prison chaplain - I've just been given three months for wearing a crucifix in public!

Short Mat Bowls Club

The Eastling Cherries played their last league game of the season, against Teynham on 18th April. Unfortunately only two points were gained, these by Roy winning his singles match. The team were also unlucky against Borden at home, the visitors gaining eight points to Eastling's six. So, going to Teynham, the team needed four points to stay in the first division, but it was not to be. It will be the second division for Eastling next year.

Mick Heath went to Strood to play in the final of the County pairs and won his mat, but got knocked out in the next round against an England player. Well done for getting that far.

Regular club sessions continue in Eastling village hall on Fridays: 2.30 - 4.30pm and 7.30 - 9.30pm. New members welcome, contact Roy on 01795 517160.

Otterden WI

Welcome Summer (hopefully)! What a lovely month April has been.

Our March quiz was brilliant! Well Done Julie Murray for putting it all together, It was lovely to see some of the members and their families enjoying trivia & nibbles. For those that couldn't make it, we hope to see you there next year.

Our April meeting has not been held at time of print.

There have been some slight amendments to our programme for this year, it is as follows:

May 26th - Laurie's Garden Opening. Laurie Scott has kindly opened up her garden for our next meeting, arrival from 6.30. WI refreshments to be supplied.

June 30th - Chris Tait's BBQ Evening. Chris has very kindly offered to host a BBQ evening for our members & Partners/guest. Tickets are £5 per head; lovely BBQ food on offer but please supply own beverages.

July 28th - Cuckoo Wood Garden Party. I will be hosting a Garden Party for our WI & the Lenvalley District, WI Refreshments to be supplied. More Details to follow.

Sept 29th - Film & Book Evening

Oct 27th - Pre Christmas Crafts

Nov 24th - Avon Party

Dec 15th - WI Christmas Meal

If you'd like to come along and join us for our next meeting on 26th May then please get in touch with me for details, whether you'd like to join us or just fancy a taster for a night, then we can buddy you up with someone who's local to you.

Have a good month!
Becky Ward rward85@btinternet.com
01795 890071

Painters Forstal with Ospringle WI

Tuesday 18th May
Discussion on

Clearer food labelling.

2.15pm in the Champion Hall

Guests and new members welcome.

Chapel Anniversary

Thursday 24th June,
7.30pm

in the Champion Hall,
Painters Forstal

The Salvation Army Songsters
will be coming to entertain us.
All Welcome.

The Painters

Forstal



COFFEE CLUB

The next coffee club will be
on 26th May, in Whitehill
Chapel, 11 am - 12.30pm.

All welcome.

LEIGH MILES DANCE & FITNESS

CLASSES

Eastling Village Hall

WEDNESDAYS

7.00pm BUMS, LEGS & TUMS

8.00pm FIT DANCE

THURSDAYS

9.15am FITNESS PILATES

4.30pm CHILDREN'S FREESTYLE

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FOR DETAILS CONTACT

www.milesdanceandfitness.com

leigh.fitness@btinternet.com
01795 890149 or 07873 431952

Eastling Gardeners' Club

GARDEN SAFARI

Thursday, 10th June

Starts at Eastling Village Hall at 6 pm

Ends with a light supper at the hall

£2.50 for members, £4 for non-members

POP - IN

Welcome to Coffee Pop-In, where we serve tea / squash
and biscuits as well, held in Eastling Village Hall,
between 9 and 11am on Wednesdays.

Toddlers welcome - lots of toys!

Next Cake and Book sales on 5th May.

Contact number 890338.

Afternoon Club

May 13th Board Games

May 27th Bingo

Meeting start at 2pm in the Champion
Hall, Painters Forstal.

New members welcome.

Belmont Spring Fair

Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th

May

11am - 5pm

Free admission to fair and gardens
Arts * Crafts * Children's corner
Bar * Refreshments * Tea room open



Charing and District

Local History Society

Coach trip on Saturday 5th June 2010 to

Romney Marsh churches

Guided by Colonel Dick Bolton, we will visit six
churches, finishing with a cream tea in Brenzett.

Start from School Road, Charing 9am;
return 17.45pm.

Cost, inclusive of coach, guide and tea: £16.25 for
Charing History Society members; £18.50 for
non-members. A Ploughman's Lunch for £7.50
may be purchased at the Royal Oak, Brookland.

All are welcome. To book, please
contact Arthur Godfrey 01233 820321

Faversham & Mid-Kent Constituency

General Election 2010

Candidates Question Time

at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School

6pm Thursday 29th April

Taking Part:

Dave Naghi LD

Sarah Larkins UKIP

Ash Rehal L

Hugh Robertson C

Tim Valentine Gr

Chair: Rev Canon Tony Oehring

Questions in advance to geqt10@aol.com
or c/o 16 Newton Rd

This event is organised by Churches Together in
Faversham, and is open to anyone

FRIENDS OF EASTLING SCHOOL

Our School Easter Egg hunt took place on
1st April on the school field during cold but
fine weather! The children had great fun
and went into the hall for the Raffle draw
- congratulations to the winners. £130.50
was raised from the raffle.

The children's St George's Day models
were judged during the morning on Friday
23rd April - some very inventive models
using recycled Easter Egg wrapping.

Future events:

A 'School Jobs Day' will be on Saturday
15th May - all helpers welcomed.

Another sale of cakes will be on Thursday
20th May, 3pm - 4pm in the School Hall,
when Class 1 will be baking cakes earlier in
the day.

The family Swimming Pool Party is on
Friday 18th June at Faversham pool -
6.45pm to 8.30pm.

The School Fete will be on Sunday 11th July
from 12noon to 3pm on the school field -
plans well underway for a great event.

Jill Seaman, FOES Publicity

jill.b.s@hotmail.co.uk, 01795 890252

EASTLING VILLAGE HALL

To book ring Julia Bailey
on 01795 890746



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

The large hall has pretty grounds, car parking, meeting
rooms and fully equipped facilities for professional or self-
catering occasions.

A Midsummer Medley 2010 Concert

St. Mary's Church, Stalisfield
Sunday June 13th at 3.00pm

Ivan Thompson: saxophone, clarinet, voice
Richard Dray: piano, organ, mandolin, harp,
accordion

Catriona Bryce: cello, voice

Martin Elliott: Basses, voice

Nevill Willis: Guitars

Afternoon tea during the interval

Tickets: £9 adults, £4.50 children.

Booking essential; cheques payable to
'Stalisfield PCC' from

Jan Beckenham c/o The Rectory, Newnham
Lane, Eastling, Kent ME13 0AS
01795 890487, eastlingchurch@googlemail.com

Proceeds towards toilet facilities at
St. Mary's Church, Stalisfield

May



2010

3rd Bluebell Walk	from 10.30am	Eastling Village Hall
5th Cake and Book sales at Pop-In	9am	Eastling Village Hall
7th Craft Club	6.15pm	Champion Hall
9th Rogation Teas and Bug Hunt	2pm	Stalisfield Church
13th Afternoon Club	2pm	Champion Hall
15th Copy Deadline for June Good News		
15th School Jobs Day		Eastling School
16th S Club	10am	Eastling Village Hall
17th Joint PCC Meeting	7pm	Eastling Village Hall
18th Painters Forstal WI	2.15pm	Champion Hall
20th Cake sale	3pm	Eastling School
21st Craft Club	6.15pm	Champion Hall
21st Quiz Night	7.30pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
23rd Healing Service	6.30pm	Faversham Parish Church
25th Magazine Folding	2pm	Pinks Farm
26th Coffee Club	11am	Whitehill Chapel
26th Otterden WI	6.30pm	Laurie's Garden
27th Afternoon Club	2pm	Champion Hall
27th Parish Council meeting	6.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
30th The Feasting	from 1pm	Eastling Village Hall
JUNE 13th Midsummer Concert	3pm	Stalisfield Church
18th Swimming Pool Party	6.45pm	Faversham Pools
24th Chapel Anniversary	7.30pm	Champion Hall
JULY 11th Eastling School Fete	12 noon - 3pm	
AUGUST 28th Stalisfield Village Fete		

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