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Sunday 19th May

10am in Eastling Village Hall
Open to all primary school
aged children

Youngstyle

Sunday 26th May

10am in Eastling Church
Half an hour of fun and worship
Open to all ages

Cat in heaven

A cat died and went to heaven. God met her at the gates and said, "You have been a good cat all these years. Anything you want is yours for the asking." The cat thought for a minute and then said, "All my life I lived on a farm and slept on hard wooden floors. I would like a real fluffy pillow to sleep on." God smiled and instantly the cat had a huge fluffy pillow.

A few days later, six mice were killed in an accident and they all went to heaven together. God met the mice at the gates with the same offer that he had made to the cat. The mice said, "Well, we have had to run all of our lives: from cats, dogs, and even people with brooms! If we could just have some little roller skates, we would not have to run again." God answered, "It is done." All the mice had beautiful little roller skates.



About a week later, God decided to check on the cat. He found her sound asleep on her fluffy pillow.

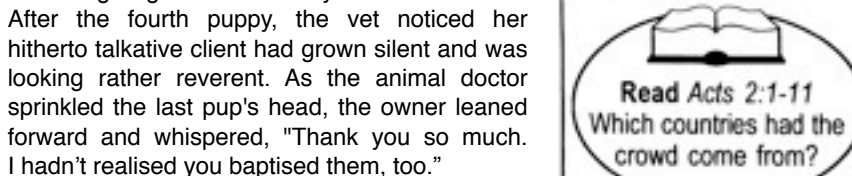
God gently awakened the cat and asked, "Is everything okay? How have you been doing? Are you happy?" The cat replied, "Oh, it is WONDERFUL! The Meals on Wheels you have been sending over are delicious!"

The Puppies

A client brought a litter of Golden Retriever puppies to the local veterinary clinic for inoculations and worming. As the look-alike pups tumbled over and under one another in their box, the experienced vet realized it would be difficult to tell which had been treated and which hadn't. So the vet turned on the water tap, wet her fingers and gently moistened each dog's head as she finished giving it the necessary shots.



After the fourth puppy, the vet noticed her hitherto talkative client had grown silent and was looking rather reverent. As the animal doctor sprinkled the last pup's head, the owner leaned forward and whispered, "Thank you so much. I hadn't realised you baptised them, too."



May is one of the more exciting times of the year for the school with our oldest class travelling off for their Residential Experience at the Arethusa centre. They will be involved in archery, bowling, motor-boating and climbing to name but four activities that take place in the week beginning 29th April through to the 3rd May.

At the same time, all the musicians left at school will be able to attend the London Philharmonia interactive exhibition in Canterbury on the Thursday and the concert the next Friday.

Our school continues to work towards a renewal of the Eco Green Flag award and the children have

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published a short film of their eco-code - see it on our web site letters page! As part of this work we're inviting in Maureen Friday from the WFU to talk to children and are off to see the "Dancing sheep" show at The Living Land exhibition.

In the midst of May comes the SATs week so, once again, we are looking for helpers /readers during morning sessions [Week beginning 13th May].

Our term ends on Friday 24th May with a "Give and Gain" day being organised by volunteers of the Lloyds bank group to help our Eco council and HUGG club renew our grounds planting - village gardeners welcome!

A bookmark for PENTECOST

Mouse Makes

It was the festival of PENTECOST and the Apostles and other believers were all together when they heard a sound like a strong wind and saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread out and touched every person. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages as the Spirit enabled them. A crowd had gathered outside and each of them heard the believers speaking in their own language about the great things God had done.

Read Acts 2:1-11
Which countries had the crowd come from?

The Holy Spirit
Teaches
John 14:26

Reveals
John 16:14-15

GUIDES
John 16:7-11

Helps
Romans 8:26

Comforts
John 14:16-17

Transforms
2 Corinthians 3:18

The work of God's Holy Spirit in us brings:

LOVE
JOY
PEACE
PATIENCE
KINDNESS
GOODNESS
FAITHFULNESS
HUMILITY
SELF CONTROL

Galatians 5:22-23

To make your bookmark:
Carefully cut around the outside, fold in half along the dotted line and glue together. Add a tassel to the bottom with a length of wool or ribbon. You can make it stronger by gluing onto card before folding.

Eastling Bluebell Walk

Bank Holiday Monday, 6th May

A choice of three circular walks in the local woods and paths,
all starting from Eastling Village Hall

Start from 10.00am Maps and guide notes provided
£3.50 per adult, £1.50 per child (£8.00 per family)

For more information, please contact
Harry Kyte: 01795 890703 or email:
hkass@tiscali.co.uk

The Carpenters Arms and the
Church will be open all day.

The Bluebell Bistro

open in the village hall from 10am,
serving teas & coffee plus
fantastic value, homemade
hot and cold lunches.
Come for lunch and bring your friends

Walk and Bistro proceeds will go to
our Church Appeal.

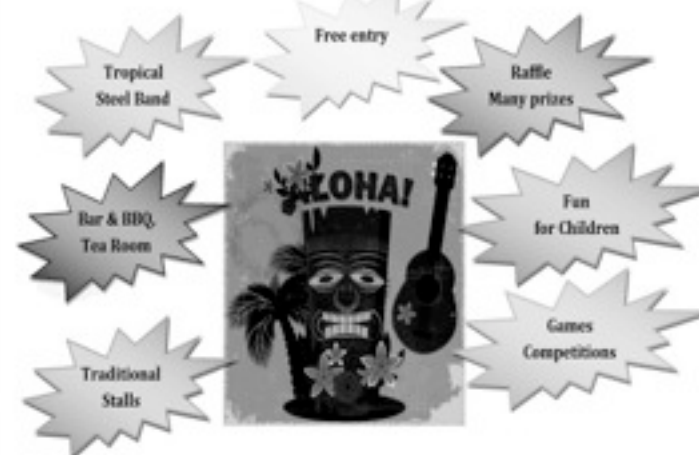
Charity **BOOK SALE** in the hall
10am - 4pm
in aid the Red Cross

THROWLEY FETE 2013

Saturday, June 1st 1-5 p.m.

Throwley Forstal

Tropical Beach Party theme



If you would like to help us in any way, volunteer to run a stall, event, sideshow or have any ideas, queries, please contact: Ela & Adam Jastrzebski, 01795 890934, ela@jastrzebska.co.uk
Louise & Steve Hadlow, 01795 890005, steve_hadlow@hotmail.co.uk.

We want the Fete to be successful and to give our community and visitors a lot of fun. Also we hope to raise money for this year's good causes, including the Throwley community room.

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US ON SATURDAY 1ST JUNE!

www.throwley.org

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Stalisfield Highlife

Quiz Party
Friday 10th May

Spring is officially here and our Quizmasters are restive. Come join us and appreciate their didactic display on Friday 10th May in the Hut on the Green at Stalisfield. We hold to our traditional format of six to a table, bring your own nibbles and tipples with a charge per person of £2.50. Inter-round prizes will be eclipsed only by those presented to the overall winners and losers. Gather yourself a full table of brilliant brains or just come to join a potluck table. Ian will be happy to record your booking on 01795 890475.

The fun starts at 7.30pm sharp

For You shaped me, inside and out.

You knitted me together in my mother's womb long before I took my first breath. Psalm 139

It amazes me that God knew me before my parents did; that he formed me and created me out of a mass of tiny cells. I grew and changed into who I am now. Over the past 40+ years I have seen many changes, in cars, education, technology and practically everything else. Some people resist change but change is inevitable, we can't avoid it. Nearly 2000 years ago the church was born, a group of believers were meeting together when the Holy Spirit came down upon them and changed them so that they started speaking different languages. That change alone was enough to frighten anyone but their faith was strong and they didn't resist. The people around them were astounded that these people could speak their languages; people doubted and feared that they were drunk. Peter, one of the disciples, stood up and explained to the people that this was a prophecy that had come true in their eyes. These people who had undergone this change went out and started the church and over the many hundreds of years since the church has undergone many changes.

Some of the changes we go through can be caused through changes in our health, undergoing pain through grief, sometimes we are not the same people we were before. Healing can occur physically, emotionally and spiritually; through the healing process we are

changed. Sometimes we aren't aware that we are in need of healing, we all cope with our lives in different ways. We have coping strategies, we struggle on putting the needs of others before our own needs, some think it is shameful to admit we can't cope but there comes a time when we need to think of ourselves, when perhaps spending an hour doing something for ourselves is needed.

We are extremely lucky here in Eastling, we have a healing team who will listen, hold your hand and pray for you or someone you care about. We are holding a healing service on 19th May at 10am at the church you will be ensured of a warm welcomed by our team. There will be refreshments after the service; there will also be an opportunity for prayer with members of our team. Please come and meet your village healing team, we also have a prayer circle where we can pray for people in need, you just need to contact one of our prayer team, details are in every copy of this magazine.

God bless,
Caroline Ramshaw ALM

A service of Healing and Blessing at

**Pentecost, Sunday 19th May
10am in Eastling Church**

All welcome

Join us for a relaxed and reflective service, at this time of our Lord's Blessing.

After this shortened service there will be opportunity for individual prayer, for yourself or for others, with the laying-on-of-hands for healing.

Refreshments after the service.

Prayer Friends

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



Tickets are selling quickly for
The Gathering 2013.
Friday 31st May & Saturday 1st June
at Canterbury Cathedral

With the theme of 'Re-imagining', the two day festival of faith features high profile speakers such as Melvyn Bragg, Fabrice Muamba and David Lammy MP and leading theologians including Revd Dr Will Lamb, Revd Dr Alison Millbank and Canon Dr George Lings. Wonderful worship and Bible study, along with a host of creative and children's activities, this is sure to be an inspirational event with something for everyone. For bookings and more details go to www.the-gathering.co.uk or call 01227 787787.



Eastling Church May 2013 Flower Rota

5th Cerys Lister
12th Janet Wood
19th Janet Wood
26th Marianne Grove
June 2nd Bay Lees

Bay and Cerys
express their thanks to everyone who helped decorate Eastling Church for Easter and donated towards the cost of the lilies. The church looked (and smelled) quite magnificent.

The Eastling Church
Healing Prayer Support
Group has formed a

Prayer Circle,
so that prayer is available for everyone. If you, or someone you love, is in need of Prayer, please call and we will pray for you.
Call Christine or Dave
on 01795 534083

Paul's Mad Bike Ride

Owing to the cold weather, which has affected my training (I suffer with Raynaud's Syndrome that really affects my feet in cold weather) I will have to put my ride back to June.

I will be raising money for 2 charities, Demelza House Children's Hospice and The British Heart Foundation, and will be extremely grateful for any amount of donation for these charities and you can donate via the "Just Giving" website, my links are <http://www.justgiving.com/Paul-Hamley1> for the British Heart Foundation and <http://www.justgiving.com/Paul-Hamley> for Demelza.

More news of Paul's training next month, but here is a snapshot of the sort of services and experiences that Demelza Hospice Care for Children offers 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, through its two hospices and its hospice at home care team.

Imagine not ever having a good night's sleep because you have to get up in the night to tend to your sick child.

Imagine trailing tubes around your house and oxygen canisters stored in the family home.

Imagine getting a wheelchair in and out of the house or car and having to take medication everywhere you go.

Imagine caring for your child 24 hours a day, possibly as a single parent and with other children who need your attention too.

Imagine finding it hard enough to try and keep your child alive, let alone doing simple things like taking them to the park or the library.

This is the reality Demelza families have to deal with when they care for their children who are not expected to live to adulthood.

Some families have to care for more than one child with a life limiting illness as the condition is genetic.

Imagine then having somewhere they can go to have a rest and let someone else take over the care.

Imagine somewhere fun where their other children can socialise with friends of the same age who know exactly what they are going through.

And imagine having someone to talk to, who understands and is there whenever they need it.



CANCER RESEARCH UK

North Downs Walk

Sunday 30th June

Harrietsham Village Hall

Start between 7.30am and 11am

3, 6 or 9 mile walk across the beautiful North Downs. Free Ploughman's lunch and strawberries on completion.

Walkers may retain 50% of their sponsorship money for their own charity, with the remainder going to CRUK, or register on the day for a minimum donation of £10.

Go to www.wealdofkentrotary.org.uk to download maps, posters, route details and registration forms.

Walk-line number: 01622 890650

EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

Please note meeting dates for 2013/2014

Thursday 23rd May – Annual Meeting

Wednesday 10th July

Wednesday 11th September

Wednesday 6th November

Wednesday 8th January 2014

Wednesday 12th March

All meetings start at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall committee room. Residents are welcome to attend any meeting.

Jill Seaman - Clerk

Eastling Neighbourhood Watch



Warden 07794 010394 or 01795 890848

Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

Swale Police 101

Emergency 999

There have been a couple of serious incidents regarding fly tipping within village area, both incidents occurred at exactly the same place - Mill Lane which runs parallel with the Otterden Road. The tipping consisted of about 2-3 tons rubble which completely blocked the road. This obviously is being carried out with a small tipper transit so please if one is seen in the area with rubble on board please try and discreetly note the number plate. Not only are the fly tippers responsible for this act but the area from which the rubble is being collected are also responsible in law and will be dealt with accordingly. Two cars have been extensively damaged at a property called Pett Dane which is about 1 mile from Arnolds Oak. If any one has any information relating to this please let me know.

Reading in the news about problems at the A & E depts. of the hospitals, do not forget there is a minor injuries unit open 7 days a week 8am-8pm at Faversham Cottage Hospital which we have found to be very efficient.

A reminder to keep all dogs under control especially at the present time when there are sheep with their young in the fields, also take care on the country roads as there may be sheep on the roads.

Have a good month and take care,
Alan

The Carpenters Arms

01795 890234

Wednesday 2-4-1

Continues throughout May evenings.

Quiz Night

Thursday May 2nd. £2 entry per person. 8pm

Belmont Spring Fair

On Sunday 5th and Monday 6th Belmont house are holding their Spring Fair and we are providing the bar facilities outside the Orangery from 11am both days

Bluebell Walk Monday 6th May

The Carps will be open from 9am serving a breakfast menu and will remain open all day

Charity Football Match

The Carpenters Arms V Shepherd Neame
Sunday 19th May, 12:00 Abbey School 3g pitch
This is a full 90 minute, 11-a-side game and we would love your support on the day. There will be football of the highest calibre and ample use of the de-fibrillator.

Live music for May

Friday 3rd Nylon Tigers.
Friday 10th Wildfire.
Friday 17th Jailbird. New and improved, with a new line-up and set, Jailbird play their first gig here at The Carps
Friday 24th Happy Trails.
Friday 31st Dos Tortillas.

Many thanks and best wishes, Mitch, Donna and The Dogs

Prayer Pointers May 2013



Sundays	Pray for Donald and Norma who join us in July.
Mondays	Give thanks for those who hold the parishes together during the interregnum.
Tuesdays	The healing group and the service on 19th May.
Wednesdays	Those organising the Bluebell Walk.
Thursdays	Those preparing for Confirmation.
Fridays	Those who suffer because of drought or famine.
Saturdays	Give thanks for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

Services in our Churches

5th May Rogation Sunday

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

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

12th May Easter 7

Acts 16.16 - 34, John 17. 20 - end

Eastling	8 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Stalisfield	10 am	Holy Communion (CW)
Throwley	10 am	Holy Communion (CW)
Eastling	10.30 am	Sunday Freestyle

19th May Pentecost

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

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

26th May Trinity Sunday

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

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

2nd June Trinity 1

Galatians 1. 1 - 12, Luke 7. 1 - 10

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.

Advanced notice of a

Special Service

Sunday 9th June

10.30am in Eastling Church

Bishop Trevor will be here to confirm a dozen candidates from around the Ospringe Deanery, half of whom live in our 'High Downs' benefice. Please come along and support them making this step forward in their faith.

After the service, which lasts about an hour, everyone will be welcome back to the village hall for some lunchtime refreshments.

Ministry in our Parishes

Priest in Charge Vacant

Non Stipendiary Minister with Permission To Officiate

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

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

Reader Hugh Perks (01795 890603)
Weald Cottage, Eastling

Churchwardens

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

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

Stalisfield with Otterden
Jean West (01233 712270)
Gillian Wallace (01233 714904)

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

Throwley Barbara Elliott (01795 890020)
Maggie Scutt (01795 890312)

From the Registers

Baptism

Eleanor Bursey
14th April 2013 at Stalisfield

Imogen Vant
14th April 2013 at Stalisfield

Lucy Kate Lister
28th April 2013 at Eastling

Funeral

Joan Mary Freed
5th April 2013 at Eastling

Interment of Ashes

Betty Violet Payne
5th April 2013 at Eastling

Midweek Groups

Tuesdays: monthly Study Group - 10am on 7th May
at Garden Cottage, Newnham Lane.

Tuesdays: weekly Study Group 7.30pm Pinks Farm

Thursdays: weekly Prayer Group 10.30am Pinks Farm
including Benefice group on 9th May.

You will be welcome at any of our groups.

People and Places from the Past.

by Dorothy Murray

In 1701 Roger Paine of Halls Place, Otterden, left £20 to the Rector, Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish, to distribute the interest every Easter Monday to poor housekeepers who regularly attended church. Charles Paine, his son and executor used the capital to purchase approximately 4 acres of land known as Wyebanks, which he gave to the church. Six tenements, three pairs of two, were erected to house the poor of the parish. Each was apportioned a small piece of land for growing vegetables. The Overseer was responsible for maintenance. In his Account Book of 1860 he lists 1/9d for a new well rope and 1/- for a new door bolt. The parish provided coal, food and clothing to supplement their small income. Firewood was given from the Otterden Estate. In the 1861 Census there were 38 inhabitants at Wyebanks and 33 in the 1881 Census, including one family of 9.

The Overseer was also responsible for any travelling poor people. They would be given 6d to move on before becoming a liability to the parish. Wyebanks six dwellings were homes to many of the poor in Otterden into the 1900s.



Upper Wyebanks



Middle Wyebanks



Lower Wyebanks

St. Nicholas - at - Wade OPEN GARDENS

Art and Flower Exhibitions
St Nicholas Court Underground Chapel
Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd June
11am - 5pm
Approx 12 gardens open plus stall selling
Plants, Cakes, Preserves, Books etc.
Entry fee to gardens £3.50 Call 01843 847922

COACH TRIP to WINDSOR

Tuesday 4th June
Leaves Jubilee Way, Faversham 8am, return by 8pm
Coach fare £17
Activities in Windsor:
Windsor Castle, River Thames, Boat
Trips, Shops and restaurants.
(Entrance fees not included in coach fare)
Call Janet on 01795 530854

Eastling Church Car Park

Thanks to an anonymous benefactor we are going to have a new car park constructed for Eastling Church. Planning Permission has been granted by Swale Borough Council and the work is scheduled to be undertaken at the end of May this year. The work is expected to last a week and a half and during that time the existing car park area will be out of action for car parking purposes. The contractor will endeavour to minimise the disruption to the public footpaths which traverse the car park, but there will be occasions when alternative routes will have to be used.

The plan is to undertake the work during the school half-term holiday from 27th May onwards, but the contractor reserves the option to start the work in the preceding week if weather conditions predictions are critical, as it is vital that the work is completed before June 8th.

Notices will be placed in the church notice board at the entrance to the car park nearer to the time giving more detailed information on the dates and the potential disruptions.

The capacity of the hard standing parking area will be increased to facilitate 22 cars in two rows, and we are delighted that at long last we will have a car park and access road free from potholes and from flooding.

Steve Youle, Churchwarden.

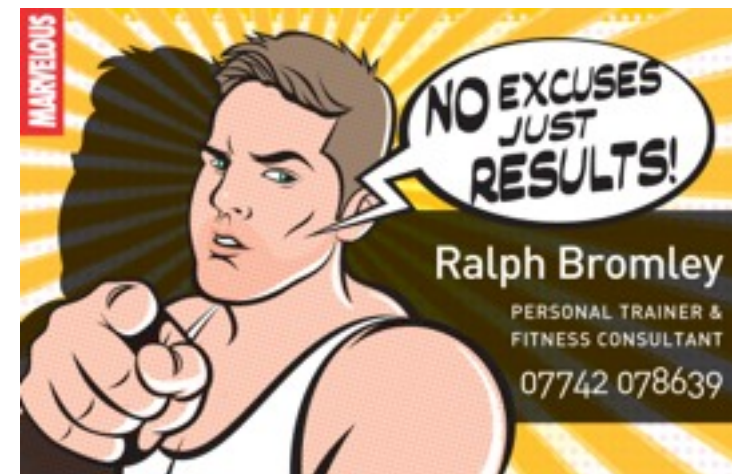
Canterbury Cathedral

Open Gardens Weekend

Saturday 25th May, 11am - 5pm
Sunday 26th May, 2pm - 5pm

Five private gardens will be open, plus the herb garden amongst the monastic dormitory ruins.

Also birds of prey, a bee observation hive, honey and plant sales, plus refreshments and classic cars on Green Court.



STALISFIELD VILLAGE OPEN GARDENS

Sunday 16th June 2013

From 12.30 to 6pm

Tickets £5 available from
Judith Saunders 01795 890203
and Rob Peale 01795 890230

Afternoon Teas available

All proceeds to St Mary's Church funds

BELMONT HOUSE & GARDENS EVENTS



BELMONT MAY FAIR

Sunday 5th & Monday 6th May,
11.00am - 4.30pm both days

Come along to the May Fair there will be a variety of local arts and craft stallholders; you could find a perfect gift for every occasion or perhaps treat yourself! We have pony & trap rides as well as 'have a go' archery.

Admission to May fair and gardens: £2 per person and free for children (under 16)

Normal house tour admission applies

MEET THE HEAD GARDENER

Tuesday 21st May, 11.00am till 1.00pm

Graeme Watts, the Head Gardener at Belmont, will host a tour around our beautiful gardens. The tour will commence with coffee and an introduction in the Tearoom and is expected to last 2 hours.

Adult £8.00, Concession £6.00

CAMBRIDGE TOURING THEATRE PRESENTS "TREASURE ISLAND"



Sunday 2nd June, Performance at 3pm, Workshop starts at 1.30pm
Bring your family along to see the Cambridge Touring Theatre's

swashbuckling musical adaptation of Treasure Island. For more information or to book please visit www.cambridgetouringtheatre.co.uk or call 0843 208 0500. Adult £12.00, Children £9.00, Workshop (Age 5 - 10) £2.00, under 3s free

OPEN FARM SUNDAY

Sunday 9th June, 1pm - 4pm

The Open Farm Sunday is a great chance to have a day in some stunning scenery and enjoy the country air. Discover first-hand what it means to be a farmer. So come and feed your senses on Open Farm Sunday. The Tearoom will be open, to treat yourself to one of our well known Belmont cream teas.

Free entry!

Normal house tour admission applies.

Belmont House & Gardens, Throwley, Nr Faversham, Kent ME13 0HH

Tel: 01795 890202 www.belmont-house.org

Eastling Short Mat Bowls

On 21st March the Ashford Road Community Association (A.R.C.A.) came to Eastling, and the Cherries had their worst game of the season, going down heavily on both mats, but we had a much better result on the return game when Des Briggs, Bryan Searly and Roy Piles won their game with two points, but A.R.C.A. gained more shots to win the match, taking four points, so it looks as though our team will finish the season at Fifth place in the East Kent league.

On Friday 5th April, playing away to Queenborough Knights in the Swale League, the team played very badly and returned home with only four points. A better result came on the return match, when the Cherries took eight points from the Knights, sending them home with six points. Seeing that they are bottom of that league they all played extremely well. We should have played Lower Halstow on Tuesday 9th April and went all the way there, only to be told that the floor had been varnished that afternoon and the match could not be played. Sunday 14th saw us away to Bredgar and by the time we had learned how to play their mats, it was too late with only Eileen Piles and Chris Smith in the pairs, and Des, Bryan and Roy in the triples winning their games. So you can see we have hit a sticky patch at the moment. More next month which should see the end of the season.

Roy Piles

The Painters Forstal COFFEE CLUB



Join us in Whitehill Chapel,
11 am - 12.30pm on 22nd May,
All welcome.

Craft Club

The next CRAFT CLUB will be on Wednesday 8th May, 11am - 1pm in Champion Hall, Painters Forstal. We will be having a go at 'Clay Modelling'. Cost £3 to cover materials and cup of tea/coffee and slice of home made cake! Come and join us for some fun. All enquiries to Pat on 01795 539629 or email patyounger@sky.com

LEIGH MILES DANCE & FITNESS



Eastling Village Hall

WEDNESDAYS

7.00pm ZUMBA®

THURSDAYS

9.15am FITNESS PILATES
No Class on Thursday 2nd May
Hall unavailable due to local elections

OTHER VENUES
DAY & EVENING CLASSES

FAVERSHAM TEYNHAM

For details contact
www.milesdanceandfitness.com

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

Painters Forstal with Ospringe W.I.

Tuesday 21st May at 2.15pm
in the Champion Hall.

Resolutions

Craft Club update

Competition: An example of
your craft work.

Contact Bobbie Richards
on 01795 532756

Eastling Gardeners' Club

Garden Safari

Thursday 13th June
Meet at Eastling Village Hall
at 6.30 p.m.

The cost is £4 for members
and £5 for non-members
Followed by a buffet meal
in the village hall.

Stalisfield Highlife Stalisfield Summer Solstice

In the absence of any other excuse we decided to throw a party on the green at Stalisfield around the summer solstice when the days are long and warm(ish). Mark your diary for Saturday 22nd June in anticipation of a day filled with fun for all the family. Fuller details will be revealed in next month's Good News but anticipate a Fare-to-Share element with lots of activities to keep everyone happy and glad to be in Stalisfield.

Charity takes a Break in Stalisfield

The Kent Messenger Group ten mile charity walk organized for Sunday 30th June will pass through Stalisfield, during the morning from 10 o'clock. This will be the half way stage and we have agreed to open the Hut as a "way-station". Light refreshments will be offered at modest cost, together with the chance to rest and repair. The walk is in support of a number of charities including local hospices, children's road safety and Macmillan Cancer Support. Nancy Clark-the KM organizer- would be delighted to hear from anyone interested in taking part in the ten mile walk or the alternative five mile version. Your entry can be registered online www.kmcharitywalk.co.uk at the discounted rate of £11 per adult- children free. Nancy can be reached for information on 0844 26 40291 (a local Number) or by email at nclark@thekmgroupp.co.uk Those of us doing duty on the day at the refreshment counter would also welcome any Stalisfield stalwarts wishing to encourage the walkers and perhaps to sip a beverage or two.

Join us - bring a picnic and friends to
A Midsummer Evening of Music
The Russian Vocal Ensemble - Lyra
Sunday, 23rd June from 5.30 pm
St. Mary's, Stalisfield

Programme

5.30 Bring and set up picnics
6.00 Russian music - sacred, folk, opera
6.45 Picnic time (marquee in case of rain)
7.15 Russian music - sacred, folk, opera
8.00 Programme ends

Tickets: Adults £10. Children £5.
Contact Sheila Moger 01233 713212
samhawnsnest@aol.com

FRIENDS of EASTLING SCHOOL

Order forms for summer plants have been sent out to parents and staff. If anyone else would like to place an order please contact me at school. The order is due to arrive by the end of May.

Please make a note of our next Coffee and Cakes event which will be on Friday 7th June. Parents and friends are invited to join us from 2.45pm in the school hall.

Plans are underway for the school Summer Fete. Please let us know if you can help in any way.

Jill Seaman, FOES 01795 890252

Otterden & Stalisfield W.I.

1st May AGM. Followed by
BINGO 7.30pm
in Stalisfield hall.

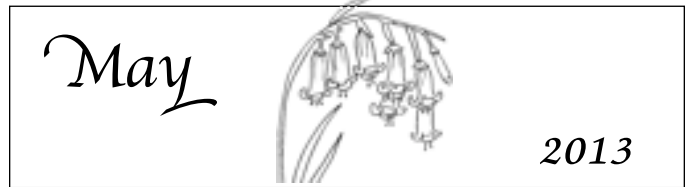
24th May Julie Murray's QUIZ NIGHT

7.30pm Stalisfield Hall
Tickets £8 each, tables of 6/8.
Please book early.

Contact Julie on 01795 890700 or
Kim on 01795 890691.

A big THANK YOU to Sabrina for the most fantastic Italian cooking evening.

Carol Morris WI publicity
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1 st Otterden & Stalisfield WI	7.30pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
2 nd Quiz Night	8pm	Carpenters Arms
5/6 th May Fair	11am	Belmont House
6 th Bluebell Walk	from 10am	Eastling Village Hall
7 th Monthly Study Group	10am	Garden Cottage
8 th Craft Club	11am	Champion Hall
9 th Benefice Prayer Group	10.30am	Pinks Farm
10 th Spring Quiz Party	7.30pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
10 th - 19 th Summer Exhibition	10am - 6pm	Lenham Tithe Barn
15 th Deadline for June Good News		See below
19 th S Club	10am	Eastling Village Hall
19 th Charity Football Match	12noon	Abbey School 3G Pitch
21 st Meet the Head Gardener	11am	Belmont Gardens
21 st P.Forstal & Ospringe WI	2.15pm	Champion Hall
22 nd Coffee Club	11am	Whitehill Chapel
23 rd Eastling PC annual meeting	6.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
24 th Julie's Quiz Night	7.30pm	Stalisfield Village Hall
28 th Magazine Folding	2pm	Pinks Farm
JUNE 1 st Throwley Fête	1 - 5pm	Throwley Forstal
9 th Open Farm Sunday	1 - 4pm	Belmont House
13 th Garden Safari	6.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
16 th Open Gardens	12.30pm	Stalisfield
23 rd Musical Afternoon	5.30pm	Stalisfield Church

Deadline for the June Good News will be 15th May

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