

### Eastling School News

Throughout May the school will be continuing with its exciting after-school club provision. This includes a whole host of sport, arts and crafts and social/leisure activities (including our very own Youth clubs and Photography club). In addition we have sporting experiences such as Judo on the 5th May; inter school competitions throughout the month and our weekly involvement with the University sport department.

May is the month when all schools undertake their SATs tests to see how well the children have done over the preceding year and it's also the month that we are able to start using the environment more for educational field trips. Our youngest, Cubs class, are due to be visiting Shorne Park for a spot of outdoor art on Friday 15th, whilst our Year 6 children will be out and about in the village for their Bikeability course on the 20th.

May not only includes the Early May bank holiday but also the 'half term' break between the 22nd and 29th of the month.

Our FOES group is now in full 'preparation mode' for the annual school fête which takes place on Sunday July 19th, so if you happen to have access to superb raffle prizes, please get in contact with the group via the school web site.



#### Help feed local people in crisis

#### Thank you! Please keep your contributions coming.

We were overwhelmed by people's generosity on Foodbank Sunday and were able to take 16 carrier bags of food to the distribution centre. We have since received a letter from the Foodbank organisers, now on display in the church, letting us know that the total weight of food that we have collected and donated to the Foodbank is:

#### 168 kg!!

This is approx.20 days food / 60 meals for a family of ¾ - that's an amazing response. We are continuing to take donations weekly to the distribution centre in Tanner Street and will keep you updated with our achievements.

#### **Food list for May**

**Urgent items:** Sponge puddings; instant mash; sugar (500g bags); pasta sauce

**Also needed**: tinned ham/ meat; tinned peas; tinned carrots; coffee; biscuits; tinned spaghetti; men's toiletries; toilet rolls; tinned/packet custard; long life fruit juice; long life/powdered milk.





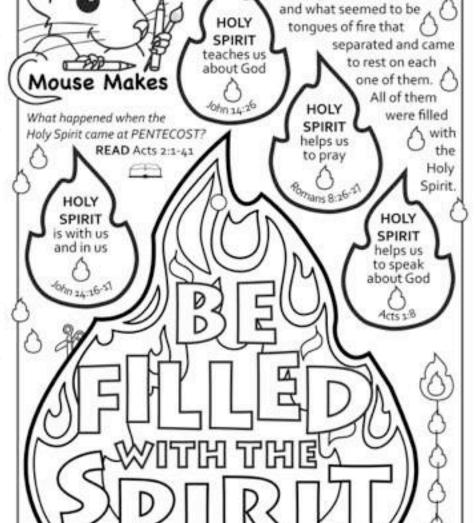
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flames, cut out and tie together to

make a Pentecost mobile.

There was a sound like a

blowing of a violent wind.



**EPHESIANS 5:18** 

believers were

baptised that day?

May 15 Odeborah nobie + parishpump.co.uk

# Stalisfield Village Party

Saturday 23rd May, 3pm onwards

in and around the Village Hall
Children – come as princes or princesses for the
crowning of King and Queen of the May.
Maypole and Morris dancing
All welcome

Please bring modest portions of party buffet food to share.

More information inside magazine.

# Food for the Journey

### Nine Days for Prayer

Friday 15th May to Saturday 23rd May

The nine day period between the Ascension of our Lord and Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Disciples, has traditionally been a period of prayer for the coming of the Holy Spirit upon our churches and upon us as individuals. This year the Diocese of Canterbury has produced another Novena pocket book of art, prayers, and reflections for use during this time. The pocket books will be available at our regular worship services in the weeks before the Ascension.

We will also have a short daily prayer and reflection service at Eastling Church, at 12 noon each day (except Sunday). This will be followed by a short time of fellowship with tea and cheese and biscuits.

On Thursday 21st May, the weekly prayer group will move to Eastling church, starting with tea/coffee and cake from 10.30am, followed by a time of prayer before the 12 o'clock Novena service. Everyone will be welcome but if you cannot join us and would prayers said for someone you love, please call Hilary on 01795 890338.



# Good News Parish Magazine May 2015

# GRAND PLANT SALE

In aid of the Seniors' Christmas Lunch
Saturday 23rd May
on the green at Eastling Manor
from 11.00am onwards.

Donations of plants can be dropped off outside the Manor, from 10am on the morning. Please come and treat your gardens for the summer and yourselves to coffee and cake. EASTLING SENIORS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH COMMITTEE



#### Bank Holiday Monday 4th May

Starting from Eastling Village Hall from 10am: last registration 2pm

This year's walks will be a linked series of short walks with options of 2, 3 and 4 miles, plus a separate walk of 5 miles. It will be possible to do both sets for a long walk of over 9 miles.
£3.50 per adult, £1.50 per child (£8 per family of 2 adults + 2 children)

Maps and guide notes included.

#### Bluebell Bistro open all day

Serving homemade soups, cakes and puddings, hot & cold drinks.

Proceeds from Walk and Bistro go to our Church Appeal More information from 01795 890368

Charity **BOOK SALE** 

in the hall 10am - 4pm in aid Cancer Research and the M.S. Society Raising funds for the Village Hall:

Alan's and Tim's

Alan's Alan's Butty

Bacon & Sausage

Bacon & Sausage

Berving breakfasts from 9.00am

The news magazine for the parishes of Eastling, Stalisfield with Otterden, and Throwley www.northdowns.plus.com/goodnews

# The Canon's Column

Somebody recently said to me that the Church is irrelevant today. That may well be the attitude for many people. But even the people who want the least to do with the Christian faith or with the Church are up in arms if a church building is to be closed. Many people are also upset if a minister is not available when they need a funeral, a baptism or a wedding. And then there are those who view Christians as a holy huddle out of touch with the world.

The reality is that the Christian Church is very much in touch with the world where people are hurting, alone, in need. It is connected to the world where people are facing questions of conscience, dealing with injustice and inequality, and in these places the Church, the Christian community is making a significant impact.

I was at a one day meeting and conference recently when Debbie Thrower, a former broadcaster made presentation on "The Gift of Years" project which provides ecumenical ministry, support and advocacy to seniors in their own homes and in care homes. With the number of people over 85 expected to double in the next 20 years and the number living with dementia set to reach 2 million by 2051, the spiritual care of the elderly will become increasingly more important to help older people live in hope and resilience with goals and meaning for that stage of their lives.

### Prayer Pointers May 2015



Sundays
Our Benefice of Eastling,
Stalisfield, Otterden and
Throwley.

Mondays
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Mondays For the new government of the United Kingdom.

Tuesdays Those that mourn that they might be comforted.

Wednesdays Give thanks for the Bluebell Walk, both walkers and helpers.
Thursdays Our armed forces, especially

those living with injuries.

Fridays For those who guide and help us to keep our faith.

Saturdays For the oppressed, those unable to worship God freely.

In June, I will be part of a delegation from our diocese attending a conference on taking funerals seriously. The death of a family member is a significant event that can have wide ranging effects. Death causes us to ask many of the truly existential questions of life. Funerals are more than simply the business of disposing of the body of the dead. Funerals help us come to terms with the loss of that significant person, acknowledge the person's contribution to our world and each of us individually and to help us understand our own reactions to death. This conference will focus on what makes a funeral significant to

The House of Bishops recently published an interesting document, "Who is my neighbour?" which focussed on some of the concerns and questions that are at the forefront of today's discussions as we approach the election. When every candidate seems to be willing to expound on what he/she can do for you and your interest group, the Christian church stands for fair treatment for the vulnerable and those without privilege, influence or status. The Christian church has repeatedly challenged a 'for profit' world that

mourners.

views wealth as the ultimate goal rather than a resource to renew the world, the community and society.

One of the letters I received recently is about Christian Aid Week, 10 – 16 May, with some of its activities. Christian Aid is one of this country's largest fundraising charities dedicated to poverty relief and social change. This year, Christian Aid Week confronts one of the greatest injustices of all times; discrimination against women...half the world's population are women and yet they comprise the majority of those living in poverty today. One of the arms of the Anglican Communion, Mothers' Union works tirelessly in many countries, promoting women's literacy, economic development and leadership.

The Christian Church has provided the foundation for our culture. Our society and culture is based on the understanding of our values and meanings which are communicated to us by the stories of our faith. Without knowledge and understanding of these stories, our values become empty shells which are crushed to dust when we most need them.

**Donald Lawton** 

# A one-day festival of faith.

Come and enjoy a day of stimulating talks, creative activities, entertainment, affirming worship, bible study and young peoples' events.



Saturday 16th May

Canterbury
Cathedral
and Precincts
10am - 4pm

Visit www.the-gathering.co.uk or pick up a leaflet from Eastling Church. Tickets cost £5 per adult, children



#### Prayer Friends

On the first Sunday of each month, in Eastling Church, members of the Healing Prayer Support Group will be available to

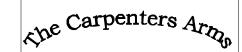
pray with anyone in need of prayer or would like to talk to the Lord but not sure how to start. The Prayer Friends will be in place during communion and after the service. If you are unsure whom to approach, please ask a church warden.

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



#### 01795 890234

#### **May Events**

Friday's oap Fish & Chips £5.00 (1-2.30pm)

4th May open at 8am for Bluebell Walk breakfast

13th May 8pm .... Play your cards right

24th May live music by Lakota

Sunday Lunch £8.95



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#### EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

There will not be a Parish Council Election this year as the correct number of Councillors have been nominated and accepted.

The next meeting will be the Parish Council Annual Meeting which will take place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall. Residents are always welcome to attend. Jill Seaman, Clerk to the Council

jseaman444@btinternet.com

Eastling

# Church May 2015 Flower Rota

3rd - Sue Chandler 10th & 17th - Fiona Swatland and Catherine Ochs

24th & 31st - Dorothy Reeve June 7th - Dorothy Reeve

Many thanks to everyone who gave up time to make the church beautiful for Easter.

The Easter lilies and joyful Spring flower arrangements looked wonderful and the whole building was gleaming thanks to the efforts of the kind team who gave up a morning to clean the church.

Extra special thanks to Charlie and Ella Ochs, Libby Swatland and Evie Lewis for their colourful and imaginative Easter gardens. Evie's winning garden clearly told the Easter story with its crosses, tomb and garden. Well done to you all and I can't wait to see what you produce next Easter.

Bay.

#### Eastling Neighbourhood Watch

Village Warden: 07794 010394

or 01795 890848 Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

Swale Police 101 Emergency 999

The next meeting will be the Within the last week there has occurred a serious Parish Council Annual Meeting incident in the local area regarding fraud:

A lady was targeted on the phone by a person purporting to be from her bank, they guoted her bank card number and said that her card had been compromised. This person said that he was from Bank Security and was able to use information that he had acquired to verify this. He suggested that this lady rang the telephone number on the bank card to verify his identity which she did, not knowing that the fraudsters hang on the telephone line and her call went directly to them. The verification of the fraudster was made and the lady was telephoned back and arrangements were made to collect the card from her. Subsequently a man of African origin called to collect the card. After a while the lady made a direct call to her bank and found out the whole scenario was a fraud and that £500 had been taken out of her account.

**Please note:** If a bank suspects your account has been compromised they will put an immediate stop on that account, they will not request collection of your card as there would be no need. If you received one of these calls do not ring your bank straight away, either wait 6-10 minutes or use your mobile or another no landline, or go to a branch of your bank. If you are still not sure give either the police or Alan a ring for assistance. Under no circumstances give any details away.

There has been a break-in at Pet Dane and Police are investigating, any information on this please contact them.

In the Faversham area there has been a spate of 2 persons saying they are from the Water Board to obtaining entry to houses and whilst the owners are distracted they are being robbed. Do not allow any person you are not sure of into your home, if in doubt give me or the Police a ring. Have good a good month,

The Plough

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

Alan.

#### Cocktail making night 20th May 7.30pm

A professional mixologist will teach you to make cocktails & of course drink them too! Richard will provide light bites – pre booking required, limited spaces.

#### Band night Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Hullabaloo playing live from 8.30pm

#### Fathers' Day 21st June

Make sure your Father knows he's as important as your Mother

#### Wine tasting 30<sup>th</sup> June

Page & sons and Westwell present wines for the evening, Richard will complement them with food – pre booking required

To keep up to date with all that is happening over the coming months follow us on twitter or Facebook or see our website www.theploughinnstalisfield.co.uk diary page or sign up for our newsletter on our website.

Stalisfield Road, Faversham, Kent, ME13 0HY Tel: 01795 890 256 Email: info@theploughinnstalisfield.co.uk



### Services in our Churches

### 3rd May Easter 5

Acts 8. 26 - 40, 1 John 4. 7 - 21, John 15. 1 - 8

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

Stalisfield 10 am Morning Prayer

#### 10th May Easter 6

Acts 10. 44 - 48, 1 John 5. 1 - 6, John 15. 9 - 17

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Throwley 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)
Eastling 10 am Morning Praise

Otterden 3 pm Evening Prayer

#### 17th May Sunday after Ascension

Acts 1. 15 - 17, 21-26, 1 John 5. 9 - 13, John 17. 6 - 19

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)
Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

#### 24th May PENTECOST

 $Acts\ 2.\ 1\ -\ 21,\quad Romans\ 8.\ 22\ -\ 27,\quad John\ 15.\ 26\ -\ 27,\ 16.\ 4b\ -\ 15$ 

Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Eastling 10 am Youngstyle

Throwley 10 am Holy Communion (BCP)

#### 31st May Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 6. 1 - 8, Romans 8.12 - 17, John 3. 1 - 17

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

#### 7th June Trinity 1

Genesis 3. 8 - 15, 2 Corinthians 4. 13 - 5.1, Mark 3. 20 - 35

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

Stalisfield 10 am Morning Prayer

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

# The High Downs Benefice

Rector Revd Canon Donald J. Lawton (01795 890487)
The Rectory, Newham Lane, Eastling ME13 0AS

Reader Norman Fowler (01795 890412)

4 Meesons Close, Eastling

Reader Hugh Perks (01795 890603)

Weald Cottage, Eastling

#### **Churchwardens**

**Eastling** Andrew Baxter (01795 890598) Assistant Warden Steve Youle (01795 890368)

**Parish Administrator** 

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

Stalisfield with Otterden

Jean West (01233 712270)

Parish Administrator

Sheila Moger (01233 713212)

E mail samhawksnest@aol.com

**Throwley** Glynn Howland (01795 890094) Barbara Elliott (01795 890020)

#### From the Registers

**Baptism** 

Isla Eleanor Vant 29th March 2015 at Stalisfield

Funeral

Ray Giles 27th March 2015 Cremation at Charing

#### Midweek Groups

**Tuesdays:** Monthly study group on 12th May, 10am at Garden Cottage, Eastling. 01795 890368

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

**Thursdays:** Weekly prayer group, 10.30am Pinks Farm,

Kettle Hill Road, Eastling. 01795 890338 (In Eastling church on 21st May.)

**Fridays:** Weekly study group, 10.45am 6 Kettle Hill Cotts, Eastling, 07780 661275

You will be welcome at any of our groups.

#### **HOGBEN & PARTIS LIMITED**

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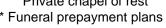
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#### Starta Magna Carta Thearta

with Graham Clarke & young performers from Whitstable Saturday 16 May, 9.30am-10.30am Whitstable Library Lecture Room, Oxford Street, CT5 1DB

#### FREE

Fun and learning with a performance of this new play written by Graham Clarke, commissioned by Kent County Council, to mark the 800th Anniversary of the sealing of Magna Carta.



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#### Pentecost 24th May

On that long ago first morning of Pentecost, Jerusalem was crowded with thousands of

visitors, for it was one of the most popular feast-days in the Jewish calendar – the Feast of Firstfruits, looking forward to the wheat harvest.

In one small room of that great city, a small group of people who had followed Jesus were praying. There was nothing else for them to do: Jesus had died, he had risen, and he had ascended, promising to send them 'a Comforter'. They were left alone, to wait at



# 'Singing for the Soul'

A gentle workshop of simple songs and chants to lift your spirits and soothe your soul.

No previous experience needed just come as you are.

5 weeks from Wednesday 22nd April 1.45 to 3pm in Newnham Village Hall. Cost is £3.50 per session (includes tea & biscuits).

Contact Lis Bayford on 01795 886392 music@cantiana.co.uk Jerusalem. And so they waited – on him, and for him. They were not disappointed: for that morning the Holy Spirit fell upon that small room, and transformed those believers into the



Church, Christ's body here on earth. Pentecost was not the first time that the Holy Spirit came to the world – throughout the Old Testament there are stories telling of how God had guided people and given them strength. But now his Spirit would use a new instrument: not just isolated prophets, but the Church, his body on earth.

Acts opens with the preaching of the gospel in Jerusalem, the centre of the Jewish nation. Within 30 years the gospel had spread throughout the northern Mediterranean: Syria, Turkey, Greece, Malta... to the very heart of the Roman Empire: Rome. The Church was on the move – God was on the move! He was calling people from every nation to repent, turn to Jesus for forgiveness of their sins, and to follow him.

# Stalisfield Highlife

#### **Village Party**

Come and help us celebrate as glorious spring glides into summer. Rain or shine Stalisfield is equipped to party as never before.

On Saturday afternoon, 23<sup>rd</sup> May we host the first of this year's family events in and around the new hall on the Green. All you need to do is to turn up bearing modest portions of your favourite party buffet foods as fare to share with friend and neighbour, not forgetting your preferred beverage. Fresh-mown sward will greet avid picnickers whilst the less nimble will find chairs and tables aplenty.

The party will start at 3pm and will feature a programme to delight all, including the trading of the latest "goss" as a compulsory activity.

Children are invited to come as princes or princesses. Those deemed to be the most "royal" will with due ceremony, be crowned King and Queen of Maytime Stalisfield to be royally entertained with an ongoing programme of party music and performances of Maypole and Morris dance. Defectors from the court will be sure to find other distractions to entertain them over the course of the afternoon.

Make sure you note the date- you won't want to miss it.

### The Spring Quiz

**Quizzical Questions** 

Any disappointment at the slightly lower than usual number of participants at the late-March quiz was quickly dispersed by the enthusiastic party atmosphere as the proceedings followed their customary course through a lively mix of mirth and mental manoeuvre.

Our quizmasters again posed a programme of questions eclectically selected with a view to giving equal favour to the cerebrally superior and to those whose talent trawls trivia from cluttered cranial crevices.

As ever, top and bottom scoring tables were awarded inter-round prizes of a character appropriate to their respective elation or chagrin.

The ultimate winners went home with their prize of wine, the quizmasters went home exhausted and hoarse and the rest of us went home happy and perhaps a little wiser than beforecertainly a little less alliterate.

Our thanks are due to quizmasters Nick and Ian. The effort in staging this event is very much concentrated in their hands. We hope that the audience's resounding response signified success sufficiently satisfactorily to convince them that their effort had been worthwhile.

**Belmont House and Gardens** 



#### **BELMONT HOUSE & GARDENS EVENTS**

#### **PLANT and CRAFT FAIR**

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 11.00am – 4.00pm

Our plant and craft event is the perfect way to spend a Spring day. There will be a variety of local plant, art and craft stalls. Locally produced food will also be available as well as our 'pop up' tea room serving delicious homemade cakes and tray bakes. £2.00 per person, children under 12 are free.

#### MEET THE HEAD GARDENER

Wednesday 27th May, 10.00am - 12.00pm

Graeme Watts, the Head Gardener at Belmont, will host a tour around our beautiful gardens. The tour commences with coffee in the Orangery and lasts approximately 2 hours. Adults £5 and Concessions £4

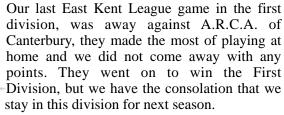
#### **ARMS and ARMOUR STUDY DAY** Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 10.30am - 4.00pm

Join us for this fascinating day where you will have the opportunity to get up close and personal with objects that are on display for the first time. Arms and Armour Conservator, Deborah Lee, will share her knowledge of the collection, including pieces from Mysore in India, acquired during the Battle of Seringaptam, as well as Europe. Places are limited, pre-booking is required. Please visit our website for more information.

> Belmont House & Gardens, Throwley, Nr Faversham, Kent ME13 oHH

> > www.belmont-house.org

#### **Short Mat Bowls**



Our last two games in the Swale League were both played away; Boughton used their home advantage and took ten points leaving us with only four points and, on 10th April against Woodpeckers, a new team playing at Bobbing, saw a marvellous end of season game when Roy won his single's game, then drew the Triples with Des Briggs, and Bryan Searly. On the other mat Vic Morley & John Graham won their pairs and Eileen Piles & Chris Smith drew their pairs. The end result, was Woodpeckers 42 shots - 7 points, Eastling 42 shots - 7 points and that put them in top spot, with Eastling in second place, so it looks as if we shall be going up into the First division for next season.

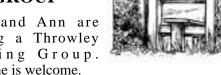
All the best for the summer, from all at Eastling Cherries.

The club stays open during the summer for the weekly sessions when new members are welcome. No experience needed just come along to Eastling village hall on Fridays, either 2.30 - 4.30pm or 7.30 - 9.30pm, and bring some flatsoled shoes.

Contact Roy on 01795 537162.

#### **THROWLEY** WALKING **GROUP**

Sally and Ann are starting a Throwley Walking Group. Everyone is welcome.



We plan to walk fortnightly on Mondays from about 3 to 6 miles each time, starting at 10am and finishing about lunchtime at a local pub.

Our first walk on 11th May starts at 10am from Badlesmere Lees, on the green near The Red Lion, and will take about 2 hours. There is limited parking space on the main road, but you can use the pub car park if you book lunch there. Bring a snack/drink for a brief halfway stop.

Our second walk takes place on Spring Bank Holiday Monday 25 May at 10am. Meet in the free car park at the bottom of Chilham village off the A252 for a 5 mile walk. Bring refreshments for a halfway stop.

Ann: 01795 892037, 07948 038993 annhutt@hotmail.co.uk

Please contact Ann to offer or request lifts. Thank you

In June, our planned dates are 1, 15 and 29 June, so that we alternate weeks with the fortnightly Eastling Walking Group. If you'd like to know more about the Eastling Walking Group, please email pam.colin@thebells2.plus.com

#### **Eastling Gardeners' Club**

Summer Visit to The Orangery, Mystole, Canterbury CT4 7DB on 4th June.

For further details about the garden and directions please see the National Gardens Scheme website.

We meet at The Orangery at 5.45pm, or 5pm at Eastling Village Hall for car sharing. The cost is £5 for members and £6 for nonmembers, to include tea/coffee and cake.

#### FRIENDS of EASTLING **SCHOOL**

The children had great fun collecting numbered stones to exchange for Easter Eggs on the last day of term when the weather was warm and sunny. Families and siblings enjoyed the afternoon and the Easter Egg raffle was a great success! Plans for the fete are underway as this is the most important fundraiser for the year, so book the date - Sunday 19th July, 12noon

- 3pm. Offers of help are welcome. Jill Seaman, 01795 890252

#### Otterden and Stalisfield W.I.

On 6th May we hold our AGM, with a light-hearted game of Bingo afterwards, with some of Cynthia Foulger's famous home-made Fudge for prizes: 7.30pm in Stalisfield village hall

In June we are having a Garden Visit to the Old Rectory in Otterden, and then a Social BBQ at the new hall in Stalisfield.

In July we are holding an Exclusive Film Showing of "The Land Girls" a film by David Leland. And David Leland himself will be hosting the evening at Cineworld Ashford, with a brief Producer's take on the film, followed by questions and answers.

Anyone wishing to join our group please contact Stephanie Culver 01795 890748 or Lesley Andrews 01795 890581

#### Calling Ladies of Eastling

Come and enjoy coffee (or tea) and cake and a chat with friends and neighbours

at The Carpenters Arms on Wednesday 20th May, 2.00pm onwards.

If you would like to come along, please ring the pub on 01795 890234 by the day before so they have some idea of numbers.

A further afternoon has been planned for Wednesday 17th June.

For more information please phone Jenny 01795 892004, Pam 01795 892194 or Dot 01795 890451

#### May 7<sup>th</sup> Election Day.

If any Eastling villagers need a lift to the village hall to vote please ring Julia Bailey who can arrange for a volunteer to provide transport. 01795 890401.

2015

Belmont House

**Eastling Church** 

Otterden Chapel

**Badlesmere Lees** 

Carpenters Arms

Eastling Church

See below

Eastling Village Hall

Stalisfield Village Hall

Glebe Cottages, Eastling

Throwley Forstal Green

**Outside Eastling Manor** 

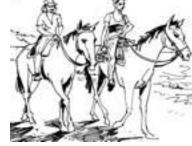
Stalisfield Village Hall



All 200 copies have now been sold. A further cheque for £100 has been sent to Demelza Children's Hospice.

Scenes Past

Thank you to everyone who bought the booklet. Dorothy Murray. Demelza



#### Horses

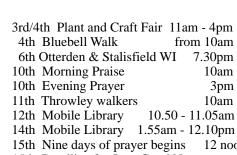
Two quiet friendly horses available for riding in Eastling, complete with tack, stables and paddock, in return for some horse management. Ring 07802 331469 for more details.

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May

14th Mobile Library 1.55am - 12.10pm 15th Nine days of prayer begins 12 noon Eastling Church 15th Deadline for June Good News 20th School Bikeability Eastling School & Village 20th Ladies Coffee & Cake 2pm 20th Parish Council annual meeting 6.30pm Eastling Village Hall

23rd Grand Plant Sale 23rd Village Party 3pm 24th Pentecost celebration 10am 25th Throwley walkers 10am

Chilham 26th Mobile Library 10.50 - 11.05am Glebe Cottages, Eastling 26th Magazine Folding 2pm Pinks Farm

28th Mobile Library 1.55am - 12.10pm Throwley Forstal Green

#### FROM THE EDITOR

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3pm

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