

S.CLUB & The GRID

are back
SUNDAY 17th SEPTEMBER
 10am
EASTLING VILLAGE HALL
 6-11 years come along to S.CLUB
 11-15 years come along to The GRID
 for more info
 contact Leigh 890 149

PUDDLEDUCKS PLAYGROUP

We bade farewell to two children who will be starting school this September and we had a little party on the last Friday of the summer term.

Our Autumn term starts on Tuesday 5th September at 9.30am to 11.25am. We have vacancies for children aged 2- 5 years and also welcome parents and toddlers to our sessions on Tuesday and Friday mornings. Please pop along to a session or phone me for details.
 Jill Seaman, Playgroup Manager - 01795 890519

FRIENDS OF EASTLING SCHOOL

The Class 4 performances of 'Grease' were fantastic - congratulations to all the children and to staff and families. We all look forward to the next production!
 What a brilliant end to Summer term as lots of families joined us for our Social Evening. A total of £482 was raised during the evening which will be added to the proceeds from the fete.

Please note that the FOES AGM is on Thursday 28th September at 7.30pm in the School Hall - All parents are welcome to the meeting to find out about our fundraising efforts and purchases and to enjoy a glass of wine or soft drink.

Events arranged for Autumn term:
 'APPLE PIE day' - Friday 13th October - 3pm to 4.30pm - School Hall - Come along to sample your children's baking.
 Fungi Foray - Sunday 15th October starting at Eastling school - Do make a note to join us for a walk through the local woodland.
 Carved Pumpkin Competition - Wednesday 1st November
 Rural Food Fair - Sunday 5th November - Eastling School - Lots of interesting stalls to tempt you and to place your orders for Christmas.
 Eastling School children's Christmas Shopping afternoon - Friday 1st December
 Details of all these events to follow.
 Jill Seaman, FOES Publicity 01795 890519.

DOG SHOW

The Faversham & District Riding Club are holding another Fun Dog Show on Saturday Sept 2nd. at 2.00 pm. at The Oast, Porters Lane, Sheldwich, Faversham. There will be 20 assorted classes from Show Jumping to Fancy dress for all types of dog from Tall to Short or Pedigree to "Heinz". This event is being held in aid of the FDRC Quadrille Teams managed by Angela Hudson of Painters Forstal. The Club is very proud to have represented Faversham by qualifying for the national finals at The Olympia Christmas Horse Show for the last five years. Unfortunately the cost of sending teams goes up each year so we are busy raising funds so that we can, hopefully qualify for the sixth time. For any information about this event contact Sally King on 01795 536228.



Craft Club

September 8th and 22nd
 6.15 - 7.15pm
 Champion Hall
 50p a session.

If any young people would like to learn to knit, sew, crochet, embroider etc. like their pop idols and film stars, please let us know. We would like to do some painting sessions during the coming month so please do not wear your best clothes. Bring one of your Dad's old shirts to wrap round you!

Contact number 532756.

The Bowl of Flour and the Jar of Oil

It hadn't rained for months and months, there was a drought in the land.

God sent His prophet Elijah to the town of Zarephath. At the town gate he saw a widow gathering firewood.

"Please bring me a drink of water and some bread" he asked her.

She answered
 "All I have is a handful of flour and a drop of oil in a jar, it's our last meal."

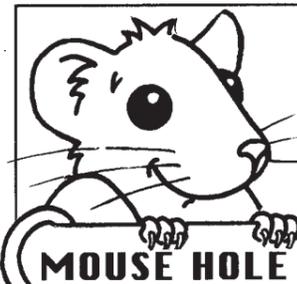
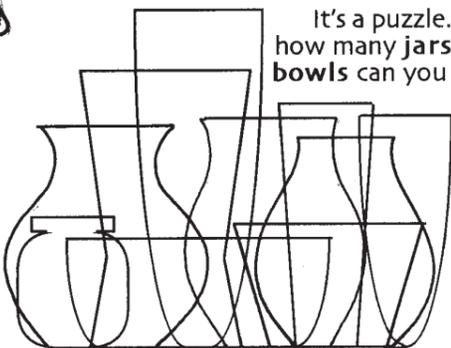
"Don't worry" Elijah said,
 "Make the meal and make a small loaf for me."

The woman did what Elijah had asked and God blessed her...

...The bowl never ran out of flour and the jar never ran out of oil until the day it rained again!

Read this story in
 1 Kings 17, verses 7-16

It's a puzzle...
 how many jars and bowls can you see?



MOUSE HOLE

Dough Designs

For modelling dough
 mix 3 cups of flour with 1 cup of salt. Slowly stir in 1 tablespoon of cooking oil then add enough water, (a little at a time) to make a dough.

Knead it until smooth, then use to make models.

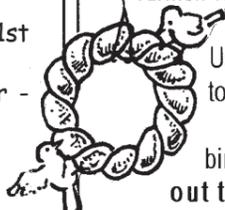
Ask an adult to bake them in an oven at 180°C/Gas 4

until light brown and firm.

Paint the models, then varnish when cool.

Use this recipe to make dough treats for birds but leave out the salt and add an extra cup of flour (4 cups of flour in all)

Make the dough into a ring, Bake, then hang outside.



Good News Parish Magazine

September 2006

Everyone will be welcome at Eastling Church on Wednesday 13th September, 7.30pm.

Please come and welcome Revd. Caroline Pinchbeck who will be licensed by Bishop Stephen, as Priest in Charge of Eastling and Stalisfield with Otterden.

There will be refreshments following the service in the School Hall and marquee. Please contact Pat Thompson (890376), or Audrey Smith (890469), if you can provide any food (savoury nibbles), or offer help to put up / take down the marquee on Wednesday pm / Thursday am.

Fancy a day out?

Take part in the Friends of Kent Churches Annual Sponsored **Bike and Hike**



Saturday 9th September
 10am - 6pm

Details and sponsorship forms available in our churches. Ospringe, Painter's Forstal, Eastling and Stalisfield churches will be open with refreshments for riders. Stalisfield and Painter's Forstal will have homemade cakes for sale.



HARVEST FESTIVALS

Stalisfield Church
 Sunday 24th September
 10am

Eastling Church
 Sunday 1st October
 10am
 followed by
 Bring and Share Lunch in the Village Hall and a Tug of War competition for the Eastling Cup

Ospringe Church
 Sunday 15th October
 11am



Whitehill Chapel
 Sunday 1st October
 Service at 10.40am
 Brunch at 10am

The chapel will be decorated on Saturday 30th September at 2pm. All gifts of fruit and vegetables and flowers will be gratefully received at that time at the chapel.

Proceeds from the sale of the fruit and vegetables after the service and the collection will be donated to 'British Humanitarian Aid'. We welcome everyone who would like to join us.

If you are able to join us for the Brunch before the service, please phone 532756, to ensure food enough for all.

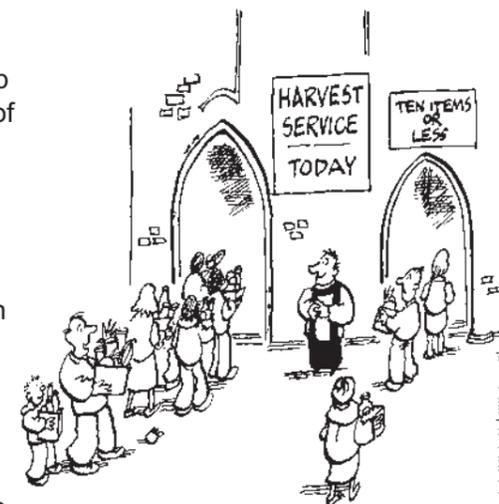
Stalisfield Highlife

Come along to the **Stalisfield Harvest Supper**

on Saturday 23rd September at 7.30pm in our Historic Hut on the green. Tickets can be reserved by telephoning Kim on (01233) 713579 or Ian on (01795) 890475.

The meal will be of two courses with a vegetarian option. Tickets will cost £5 each. Children and pensioners tickets will be £3.

The event is being organised jointly by the Hall Committee and the Parochial Church Council



AUCTION OF ITEMS and PROMISES

Join us for 'A Night to Remember'

and something to take home if you are lucky!
Saturday 23rd September - Eastling Village Hall
 Doors Open 6.00pm - Bidding commences at 6.30pm
 Entry by catalogue £1.50 to include a glass of wine (Children under 12 years free)
 Catalogues available from Eastling School, Carpenters Arms and the Pop-in on Wednesdays in Eastling Village Hall. (Proceeds to be split between Eastling School and the Eastling Youth Worker)



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

'You know that Ospringle now shares Revd. Ali Duguid as Priest in Charge with Davington. Davington currently have a Sunday service at 10.30 and Ospringle have one at 11.00. Unfortunately Ali can't be in two places at once! The wardens of both churches are working with Ali to find a possible solution to this for implementation in 2007, staying committed to the fact that both Churches want and need a Sunday morning service at a 'user friendly' time i.e. a good time for all ages to be able to attend. This is not an easy task and we are approaching it very prayerfully and carefully in discussion with

Changing times

as many of you as possible. The joint wardens have jointly decided to try two 'worst case scenarios' as a one off in both Churches to be able to assess first hand the possible implications. To that end please note that the first two Sunday services are at different times. Please still come along and let us know how you feel about it and also how the prospective newcomer might feel about it. This is not set in stone and is just a trial to see what happens. Davington will change their regular 10.30 service to 11.30 on September 17th and 9.45 on and September 24th. You are very welcome to attend these as well. Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation and feedback. Love, Ali.



Prayer Pointers September 2006

- Sundays Thanks for the joy of being loved by a compassionate God.
- Mondays For all returning to work or school after the summer break.
- Tuesdays For the new Priest in Charge at Eastling, Stalisfield and Otterden.
- Wednesdays For Harvest celebrations in this country and abroad.
- Thursdays For trainee paramedics.
- Fridays For the United Nations.
- Saturdays All those being confirmed on 17th September.

What are our Harvest Services really all about?

The focus for Harvest Services has changed down the years. Fresh food used to be brought to church, which was then distributed to the infirm and housebound in the area the following day. As time went by, and technology developed, gifts of canned food were encouraged, which could be given to callers in need during the year.

The thought that food could be distributed over months, not just the following week, led to thinking about the re-distribution of food; the better-off brought produce so it could be given to the worse-off. And for those congregations which thought globally, gifts of toothpaste and soap were encouraged, so they could be sent to parts of the world hit by earthquakes or other disasters. And so celebrating Harvest Thanksgiving became an atonement for Harvest Guilt; we weren't grateful for what we had, just guilty for having so much.

But if Harvest is only about re-distributing wealth, then why not just donate money through your bank? That way, you needn't even have the trouble of going to church at all.

Other churches have turned to thinking of a Harvest of Talents. Congregations use their skill to raise money for those charities which work to feed the hungry.

But that has little to do with the original intention of Harvest: thinking of the earth and our reliance on it.

The picture of sheaves of golden corn can seem fairly irrelevant to our culture; but it isn't. The hugely complex food importing and distribution industries, along with our ever more exotic diets means that we rely on more harvests, not fewer.

The failure of one or two of these harvests may no longer be a matter of life or death to us, just minor inconvenience, but it may well mean life or death to those whose crops they are. Yet our survival still depends on enough food being produced overall.

Feeding the hungry and using our talents to help others is important. But in one way or another, we should be doing those things every week, all year round.

Harvest Thanksgiving should remain what it was originally meant to be: a simple way of saying a thank-you to God that another year has passed without our going hungry, and acknowledging that, despite all our agricultural sophistication, we are still dependant on the gifts of the earth.

As the Psalmist reminds us: The earth is the Lord's. Every thing we have come from him.



FROM THE ORGAN SEAT

On Monday, 25th September, at 7.30 p.m., the Sittingbourne Co-op Choir are giving a Concert in the Almshouses Chapel, singing songs from the Musicals and other favourites. All are welcome. Please join the Choir and residents for light refreshments afterwards in the Linda Head Room. Obviously there is no parking at the Almshouses, but if you park at the far end of the Central Car Park (free after 6 p.m.!), it is only a short walk up South Road. This concert was scheduled for 31st July, but on the day before, a fall of stone in the Chapel caused it to be closed. Fortunately, the lovely folk who came that evening understood and had enjoyed the walk in the pleasant summer evening. The chapel is in use once more, thanks to our excellent Faversham skilled workmen.

In the 19th Century and well into the 20th the Co-op Movement was one of many Societies who used their profits for the benefit of the community and there were Co-op Choirs all over the country. Sittingbourne, I think, is the only one left in England.

Did you know that the Faversham Municipal Charities are 500 years old! I feel proud to be following in the footsteps of 500 years of Faversham worthies. The Almshouses were built in 1863, replacing 5 small ones in our town. We are always pleased to be contacted by Societies wanting to visit the Chapel and to tell them the history of the Almshouses in Faversham, as well as about the heritage organ. The Organ Club of Great Britain came in July and of course we were open as part of the Open Houses Scheme of the Faversham Society.

On 10th August, Barry and Sarah Read came to put flowers on the Read family grave. As I was practising in Church we chatted and they said how much they had enjoyed THE Organ Recital and came because they read the write-up in the Faversham News (thank you to the Editor for that). Barry's mum, Violet Hopkins, married Fred Ivo Read on 10th August, 1940 here in Ospringle and Sarah, nee Griffith, married Barry, also at Ospringle, on 5th September, 1970. Fred died 1st October, 1993 and Violet died 4th January, 2004. I expect some of you reading this will remember them. I find it a joy to meet folk with a tremendous warmth for St. Peter and St. Paul, Ospringle.

As well as thanking the Editor of the Faversham News for their help with the publicity for THE ORGAN RECITAL, I must thank the NatWest Bank for giving me space to display the photographs and publicity and to everyone else who took posters for me. I was pleased with my efforts at display in the NatWest and had not done anything like that for 10 years; I had forgotten how long it takes - it took me all day! God bless, Vicky Shepherd.



Our Choir Treat on Wednesday, 2nd August, was fun, fellowship and singing. Three cars headed from Faversham and took the

lovely route over the Downs, by-passing Maidstone to Yalding and Teapot Island. Yalding has two ancient bridges and a big Teapot sign pointed us to this extended bungalow and area by the River Medway. We saw Gary, the potter, at work making the prototype of a new teapot which they would be selling in the shop. We were made very welcome and after a welcome coffee or hot chocolate, took our time to look at 4924 different teapots all well displayed behind glass. We had our picnic "in the round" and the children enjoyed some running about games. After an ice-cream we walked by the River Medway and talked to the families who were fishing. They were delightful and shared their love of fishing with us. We took a short cross-country journey to Boughton Monchelsea Church and were made very welcome by Barry and his wife who served us delicious home-made cake made that morning. TWICE! We saw the Millennium Window crafted by Graham Clarke with the accompanying "Son et Lumière", a five minutes show. Barry, who sings with the London Welsh Male Voice Choir, joined us when we sang 10 of our favourite songs. As Freda and Don said, "That window was the icing on the cake of a splendid day." Thank you to the Choir and their families for sharing these visits with me.

The Choir sang for two weddings in August.

On Saturday 5th, Victoria Foulcer married Stuart Page: Stuart is Pam Thompson's nephew and Victoria is Gail

and John Charter's grand-daughter, so it was good to catch up with friends. They had a most interesting Power-point Presentation of their life so far during the signing of the register and thanked us for being with them at the start of their next stage.

Saturday 19th, Samantha Jones married Adrian Read.

I played for the wedding of Natalie Brown and Stephen Norris on 12th August, the Saturday of very heavy rain! Natalie and Stephen have been regular attenders at our services. Stephen is in the Royal Navy and so they requested Naval music and Stephen requested "Hornpipe Humoresque" by Noel Rawsthorne, and his ship's 3 special tunes; "A Life on the Ocean Wave", "Heart of Oak" and "Rule Britannia". I included "All the nice girls love a sailor". Natalie wrote a lovely poem for the occasion and asked me to play the song sung by Bryan Adams, "Everything I do, I do it for you" and it sounds splendid on our organ.

We have much to look forward to: Songs of Praise at Ospringle and Appledore; A Celtic Communion; our regular services of Morning Prayer and Communion, Harvest Festival and Lunch in October; R.S.C.M. Festival at Canterbury Cathedral on Saturday, 7th November, when David Leeke is conducting us. Last year there were 5 of us and the books arrive any day now for us to practise.

Vicky Shepherd

Mothers' Union News

The rain came at last on Wednesday, 9th August, Mary Sumner Day. Well, we had been praying for it! Fortunately it cleared for the afternoon and the sun shone as Stella had prepared a wonderful spread for our Garden Party in her garden. It was a Party with a difference; hats, gloves and dresses to be worn! We invited our Deanery friends and were pleased to welcome a lovely group from St. Mary of Charity. The Teynham Group were unable to come.

We enjoyed the fellowship and chat and all joined in Mary Sumner's Prayer, led by Revd. Pat Pollard.

All this day, O Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for Thee: and every life I touch, do Thou by the spirit quicken, whether through the words I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live. Amen

Thank you to Stella and Peter for the welcome and preparation.

We are glad to have the M.U. Mid-day Prayers again thanks to the M.U. Website. Our next meetings are in the Parish Room:-

Wednesday, 27th September, 2 p.m. Our speaker is Gill Wilson. Gill recently gained her M.A. From the University of Kent in Canterbury and is the mother of Tom and Sam. She and her husband, Steve, teach History.

Wednesday, 25th October, 2 p.m. Our speaker is the Honey Lady who will fascinate us with her love of bees and honey.

Wednesday, 29th November, 2 p.m it will be our A.G.M. and Planning Meeting. Continue to enjoy the Summer. God bless, Brenda.

KINDNESS * GOODNESS * GENTLENESS * FAITHFULNESS * JOY * PEACE * PATIENCE * LOVE * SELF CONTROL

OASIS

Informal Service at Ospringle Church on the first Sunday in the month.

All are welcome.

We resume after the summer break at 11.30am on Sunday 3rd September. Theme: The fruit of the Spirit

Advance notice for Oasis in October:

Sunday 1st October at 11am Theme: The Holy Spirit and healing - guest speaker Martin Collings, from St Mary Bredin Church, Canterbury

Services in our Churches

3rd September Trinity 12

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| James 1. 17 - end, Mark 7. 1 - 8, 14 - 15, 21 - 23 | | |
| Ospringe | 8 a.m. | Holy Communion (BCP) |
| Ospringe | 9.30 a.m. | Morning Prayer (BCP) |
| Ospringe | 11.30 a.m. | Oasis |
| Davington | 10.30 a.m. | Parish Communion (CW) |
| Faversham Hop Festival Open Air Service 5.30 p.m. | | |
| Whitehill Chapel | 10 a.m. | Brunch followed by |
| | 10.40 a.m. | Family People's Choice |
| Eastling | 10 a.m. | Holy Communion (CW) |
| Otterden | 3 p.m. | Evening Prayer (BCP) |

Tuesday 5th September

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| Whitehill Chapel | 2.15 p.m. | Holy Communion |
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10th September Trinity 13

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| James 2. 1 - 10 [11 - 13] 14 - 17, Mark 7. 24 - end | | |
| Ospringe | 9.45 a.m. | Holy Communion (CW) |
| Davington | 10.30 a.m. | Parish Communion (CW) |
| Eastling | 8 a.m. | Holy Communion (BCP) |
| Stalisfield | 10 a.m. | Morning Prayer (BCP) |

Wednesday 13th September

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| Eastling | 7.30 p.m. | Licensing of Revd. Caroline Pinchbeck |
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17th September Trinity 14

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| James 3. 1 - 12, Mark 8. 27 - end | | |
| Ospringe | 8 a.m. | Holy Communion (BCP) |
| Ospringe | 11 a.m. | Family Service |
| Davington | 11.30 a.m. | Parish Communion (CW) |
| Stalisfield | 10 a.m. | Holy Communion (CW) |
| Eastling | no service | |
| Faversham Parish Church 10.30 a.m. Confirmation Service | | |

24th September Trinity 15

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| James 3. 13 - 4. 3, 7 - 8a, Mark 9. 30 - 37 | | |
| Ospringe | 11 a.m. | Family Communion (CW) |
| Davington | 9.45 a.m. | Parish Communion (CW) |
| Whitehill Chapel | 11 a.m. | People's Choice |
| Stalisfield | 10 a.m. | Harvest Festival |
| Eastling | 10 a.m. | Youngstyle |

1st October Trinity 16

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| James 5. 13 - end, Mark 9. 38 - end | | |
| Ospringe | 8 a.m. | Holy Communion (BCP) |
| Ospringe | 9.30 a.m. | Morning Prayer (BCP) |
| Ospringe | 11 a.m. | Oasis |
| Davington | 10.30 a.m. | Parish Communion (CW) |
| Whitehill Chapel | 10 a.m. | Brunch followed by |
| | 10.40 a.m. | Harvest Festival |
| Stalisfield | 9 a.m. | Holy Communion |
| Eastling | 10 a.m. | Harvest Festival |

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

Ministry in our Parishes

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

Priest in Charge
of Eastling and Stalisfield with Otterden
Reverend Caroline Pinchbeck
from 13th September 2006

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

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

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

Methodist Minister
Reverend Philip Barker (01227 463180)

Contacting the Church's staff

For general enquiries and for specific enquiries about Weddings, please telephone Faversham 533272, for Baptisms please phone 531044, for Ospringe and Painter's Forstal; for Eastling and Stalisfield please telephone 01795 892124. If you would like the parish staff to conduct a funeral, either in our churches or elsewhere, please ask the funeral director to make the necessary arrangements.

From the Registers

Baptisms

MONTY JAMES Woolgar
23rd July 2006 at Ospringe
OLIVIA GRACE Holbrook
30th July 2006 at Ospringe
EVIE CHARLOTTE Lewis
6th August 2006 at Otterden Chapel
LILY FRANCES Morris
6th August 2006 at Ospringe
LUKE THEMOS Thompson
20th August 2006 at Ospringe

Weddings

Victoria Louise FOULCER and Stuart Kenneth PAGE
5th August 2006 at Ospringe
Natalie Louise BROWN and Stephen James NORRIS
12th August 2006 at Ospringe
Samantha Theresa JONES and Adrian Paul READ
19th August 2006 at Ospringe

Funerals

Norah JOHNSTON
18th July 2006 Funeral at Ospringe
followed by burial at Love Lane

Mid Week Worship at Davington

8 a.m. Morning Prayer will be said Monday - Thursday
9.30 a.m. Holy Communion every Thursday

Mid Week Worship at Eastling

2.30 p.m. Celtic Prayer every Wednesday - 20 minutes for prayer and reflection.

Eastling Neighbourhood Watch.

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



Opportunist theft

A handbag and several other small items were stolen from a dwelling in Peel Drive, Sittingbourne whilst the occupant left one room for another, leaving windows and doors unlocked. Please be careful in this hot weather to shut and lock all doors in un-occupied rooms. This is another reminder to keep all windows shut and locked when not in the room, as the opportunist is always on the look out for an easy target to relieve you of your possessions.

Fire risks

Traditionally, this time of year Swale sees a rise in the number of deliberate fires. With the exceptionally dry conditions it is IMPERATIVE that any incidents of deliberate fire setting, no matter how small or innocent it may appear, are reported to the Police on 01795 477 055 or Kent Fire & Rescue 01622 692121. In the event of an emergency please 999.

Distraction burglary

Between 7pm & 8.30pm on the 21st July a white male described as slim build, deep

Southern accent, straight shoulder length brown hair wearing blue baggy jeans and blue Tee shirt called on a dwelling in Volante Drive, Sittingbourne, asking to use the toilet. The occupant invited him in to use the toilet. On leaving, the occupant noticed several items including a mobile phone were missing and phoned the Police. This person has been seen in the area on several occasions. Please be aware and pass any information to the police on 01795 477055 or the NHW Office on free phone 0808 100 3308.

Theft of copper wire

There has been a spate of stealing copper earth wire to mobile phone towers situated in farm fields. Please pay particular attention if you have one of these on your farm. There have also been instances of the theft of electric fencing and energizers. Any information to the Police on 01795 477055 or the NHW office on freephone 0808 100 3308.

Dog theft

Kennels in Homestall Road, Doddington have been broken into and three cocker spaniel puppies (bitches) stolen, believed to be for breeding purposes. Any information to the Police on 01795 477055 or the NHW office on free phone 0808 100 3308.

FAVERSHAM 10k

held in aid of the Cystic Fibrosis Trust
Sunday 17 September 2006 at 11am
Plus 1.5k Open Fun Run (10.30am start)
SEAA Permit 6514

- A 10k road race through Kent countryside starting & finishing at The Abbey School.
 - Entrance Fees: Affiliated £10.00, Unaffiliated £12.00. (On the day entries £12.00 & £14.00 respectively.)
 - Prizes in categories : Male 15-39 & 40+: Female 15-34 & 35+ years
 - On the day entries not eligible for prizes
 - Fun run open to all ages, entry fee £3.00
 - All 10k runners receive t-shirt, medal & goody bag and all Fun Runners receive a medal
 - Ample parking & toilet/changing facilities on site
 - Not suitable for wheelchairs
- Downloadable entry forms available on www.faversham10k.co.uk
Closing date for postal entries Saturday 9 September 2006



The following roads will be officially closed from 11.00am to 1.00pm, however once the last runners go past the road are always re-opened, so in some cases, like around Water Lane & the church it will probably be re-opened by about 11.20am.
Road closures: 1. Abbey School Access A2, 2. Water Lane, 3. Painters Forstal Rd, 4. Hansletts Lane, 5. Scotts Lane, 6. Eastling Road, 7. Box Lane, 8. Stalisfield Rd, 9. Throwley Rd, 10. Stalisfield Rd/Bay Hill, 11. Brogdale Rd/Vicarage Lane, 12. Porters Lane/Plumford Lane, 13. Brogdale Rd/A2 The Faversham 10k committee apologises for any inconvenience caused.

October Good News

If you would like to advertise in this magazine, submit articles, features or stories for publication, or would like any forthcoming events publicised, please send your magazine contribution by the 15th September to Hilary Harlow, Pinks Farm, Eastling, Faversham ME13 0BA. Tel: 01795 890338. Where possible, please submit your entries by e-mail: h.f.harlow@btconnect.com Current and back copies of Good News are available on the website: www.northdowns.plus.com/goodnews/

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**Well Done
Julie and David Murray**



At this year's Kent Show, Sally, an Oxford Sandy and Black, pictured here with Julie, came fourth out of nine at their first showing. "With Pig Showing, you can blame the pig for not behaving. Great fun and a great laugh. Will definitely do it again." In the sheep classes Julie, with her niece Gail, showed some of their Romneys, gaining two 2nds and two 3rds against stiff competition.

FARMING HISTORY

Mr David Gore has written a book, ON KENTISH CHALK, which has been accepted as a new title for the Faversham Society and is available at the Fleur de Lis Heritage Centre library. The book is a limited edition only, written primarily for the Gore family at large, whose story it tells, but of interest to local people curious about the local history of Stalisfield (Holbeam & Woodsell Farms), Eastling and Ospringe where they worked. Other parishes in the story include Newnham (Shulland Farm), Throwley, Sheldwich, Selling, Challock and Lenham, all in the period 1683-1850. After that, the family started farming at Herne.

The Secret Garden:

finding hope and faith in rural Kent today
Thursday 14th
September
9.15am - 4pm



Lenham Community Hall
A day conference, including lunch, organised by Church in Society. Celebrating rural church and community life. Open to all involved in the changing nature of rural Kent - Churches, Parish Councils, Strategic Planning. Cost £18, details from Jane Winter, Church in Society, 2-3 Bedford Place, Maidstone, Kent ME16 8JB

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**Painter's Forstal
Village Amenities Committee
Fete**

What a weekend, after all the brilliant weather we have had! The rain clouds rolled away too late for us to set up stalls and marquees down on the meadow, so we did what we could in the Champion Hall. You may have seen the lads from the "Circus School" and the balloons being sent off. (Two have already been returned from Bexhill and Hastings beach)

We would like to thank everyone who contributed gifts for the stalls and especial thanks to the people who manned the stalls. It is a big commitment and the committee do appreciate what they do. If you feel you could do something next year to make the fete more colourful and interesting, do let us know. We have ideas for stalls/games but without the people to man them, we are helpless. Most of the £570 raised will, unfortunately, be taken up by expenses, but a few things are there ready for next year!

HAVE YOU PROGRAMME NUMBERED 6?
If so please let us know, with the proof. Ring 532756.

£100 DRAW

This was won by R. Simmons
2nd prize A Jones
3rd prize D. Gillatt.

**Charing and District Local
History Society**

On Thursday 14th September at 8pm Jeremy Hodgkinson will give a talk on THE WEALDEN IRON INDUSTRY. Hear about this important industry from the Chairman of the Wealden Iron Research Group. The presentation will be given in the Parish Hall, Charing. Everyone who is interested will be welcomed when the doors open at 7.45pm. Non-members of the Society pay £2.00. Membership fees are due for the season, and would be appreciated at the meeting, if not already paid. Adult £6 p.a. Senior Citizens £5 p.a. Family (3) £10 p.a. Full time students Free. Phone 01233 712035 for further details.

EASTLING VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Trustees of the Village Hall are looking for more willing bodies to join our happy gang, as we have sadly lost a couple of Trustees from the village and they will be greatly missed. So, if you would like to get a little more involved with the community, why not become a Trustee? It's not an onerous task - the occasional meeting to talk about management things, the odd 'working party' to weed the garden or spring clean, and a bit of help sometimes with preparing for events. We would be particularly keen to hear from anyone, preferably local to the Hall, who might be able to act as Booking Clerk (being the contact point for hirers and occasionally showing people around the Hall). Also, and this could be separate from becoming a Trustee, we need the occasional bit of muscle-power in the summer to help put up and take down the marquee. That will have happened four times this summer, so not that often. If you would like to volunteer, or if you would like to know more, please ring Sue on 01795 890254 or Julia on 01795 890401.

**Ospringe School
Association**

Welcome back to school - and the Ospringe School Association is planning another very packed year of events at the School.

The first of these will be our spectacular Fireworks Display on Saturday 4th November 2006, starting at 7pm.

Refreshments will be on sale as usual.

Tickets will be available from the school shortly - Tel 01795-532004 or from the Office.

We look forward to seeing you at the school for Guy Fawkes Night.



Thank You

Dear Friends

The Coffee Morning at Whitehill Chapel on the 19th July was a great success; we had as many as 25 attend. Thank you to all who made an effort to get to Painter's Forstal, especially on such a hot day!

The 'Yoga Ladies' enjoyed the coffee, cakes and biscuits and said that they would like another coffee morning in the future.

We even had two ladies visit us from Maidstone, who had seen it advertised in the local paper and like to have a destination in mind when they set off on one of their 'Jaunts'. They said they were made most welcome and what a friendly bunch we were.

With all your generous donations I managed to raise the grand total of £91.80, which I have rounded up to £100. Fifty pounds will go to the Methodist Relief and Development Fund (MRDF) and I have spent £20 of the other fifty for the Chapel to purchase a CD player, for hymns as we are now without a regular pianist.

Many thanks once again

Alison Tracey

EASTLING VILLAGE HALL

To book ring Julia Bailey on
01795 890746



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Talking of events - the Hall is doing really well lately and the Trustees have decided to forego the usual Bank Holiday barbecue fund raiser this year. However, we always like getting the village together for the odd event, whether or not it is a fund-raiser, and wondered if anyone has got any ideas about the kind of get-together you would enjoy. The suppers we have organised have always been popular; would you enjoy a dance or a disco; what about a bit of culture like a play or a concert for you music fans? Please let Sue or Julia have any ideas on the numbers above.

**Painter's Forstal with
Ospringe W.I.**

Tuesday 19th September, 2.15pm in the Champion Hall.

Mrs Allison will talk on 'Life in the Workhouse'. Competition: A Victorian print or photograph plus 'Flower of the Month'. Further details from 01795 532756.

**Eastling
Gardeners' Club**

meets on
Thursday 5th October at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall when Janet Bryant will talk on 'Winter Flowers', followed by wine and nibbles. Free to members, otherwise £2.50



The parishes of Eastling and Stalisfield with Otterden
Good Neighbour Scheme

Can we help you?

Please let us know if you have a need - we may be able to help you, or know of an organisation which can.

Phone 01795 890469

Afternoon Club

Activities for September:
14th Bingo
28th Board Games
2pm in the Champion Hall

Coffee Pop-In

From 6th September Pop-In will be open every Wednesday, between 9 and 11am, in Eastling Village Hall. **Homemade cakes for sale on 6th September and 4th October.** All ages welcome to join us for a free cuppa and a chat. Plenty of toys for toddlers to play with.

September



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| 2nd Dog Show | 2pm | The Oast, Porters Lane |
| 3rd OASIS | 11.30am | Ospringe Church |
| 6th Coffee Pop-In reopens | 9 - 11am | Eastling Village Hall |
| 6th Ospringe Parish Council | 7.30pm | Champion Hall |
| 7th Fitness Pilates returns | 9.15am | Eastling Village Hall |
| 8th Craft Club | 6.15pm | Champion Hall |
| 9th Bike and Hike around Kent churches | 10am - 6pm | |
| 11th Eastling Parish Council | 6pm | Eastling Village Hall |
| 11th Gardeners' Club | 7pm | Pawley Farm |
| 13th Priest in Charge licensing service | 7.30pm | Eastling Church |
| 14th Afternoon Club (Bingo) | 2pm | Champion Hall |
| 14th Charing History Society | 7.45pm | Charing Parish Hall |
| 15th Deadline for October Good News | | |
| 17th S Club and the GRID | 10am | Eastling Village Hall |
| 17th Faversham 10k + 1.5k run | 11am | Abbey School |
| 19th W.I. | 2.15pm | Champion Hall |
| 20th Ospringe in Bloom awards | 7.30pm | Champion Hall |
| 22nd Craft Club | 6.15pm | Champion Hall |
| 23rd Auction | 6pm | Eastling Village Hall |
| 23rd Harvest Supper | 7.30pm | Stalisfield Village Hall |
| 24th Presentation on the life of Ospringe Church | 11am | in Church |
| 26th Magazine Folding | 2pm | Usual venues |
| 28th Afternoon Club (Board Games) | 2pm | Champion Hall |
| October 5th Eastling Gardeners' Club meet | | in Eastling Village Hall |
| 13th Apple Pie day | 3pm | Eastling School |
| 15th Fungi Foray | | Eastling School |
| November 4th Fireworks Night | 7pm | Ospringe School |
| 5th Rural Food Fair | | Eastling School |
| 11th Craft Fayre | 10am-2.30pm | Champion Hall |
| December 2nd Christmas Fayre | | Ospringe School |