



Tewin Magazine



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Happy New Year

Editorial Note

I wish you all a healthy and happy 2018.

Firstly, apologies for the late availability of this month's edition. This being due to the printers being closed between Christmas and New Year.

Whilst I have been guest editing the month's magazine, I have been reminded of just how lucky we are to live in this wonderful village of Tewin. There is so much going on every month thanks to the commitment of many individuals and groups. Added to this is the fantastic community spirit. There is always someone who will help. Just one example being after the recent deluge of snow, my husband asked one of our elderly residents who had cleared snow from her driveway, her response was that she didn't know because she only saw it when she came out of the house!

As Guest Editor for this month, I would like to acknowledge what a wonderful job our regular Editor Jackie Murphy does every month to provide us with an action packed and informative village Magazine.

Events this month include the THACS AGM on 15th (p9), and the Film of the Month is 'Bicycle Thieves' on the 22nd (p10). On the 20th the shop Saturday Lunch is shepherds pie (p25), and the Vintage Afternoon Tea is on the 24th (p25).

If you are planning on doing something new for 2018, on Mondays the Bowls Club runs an Art Group (p21), and Chair Yoga reconvenes on the 31st (p21).

Please continue to send contributions for future editions of the magazine to tewinmagazine@gmail.com. The deadline is the 15th of the month, but the earlier the better.

Heidi Tipper, Guest Editor

LOVE IN A SHOEBOX

Judy Puddefoot collected 131 well-wrapped shoeboxes from here on Monday 27th November. They looked so lovely all stacked up together in my hall. THANK YOU very much all those who worked so hard to make this possible. Judy has since told me that over 6,000 boxes were transported from this area and she thinks that Tewin boxes went to Liberia.

I mentioned 'Love in a Shoebox' because there is actually a book of that name which I have read and passed on. This tells the story of two men in Wrexham North Wales, having seen the images of children on TV in orphanages tied to their cots in Romania, took as many gifts and provisions as they could stuff into a hired van and drove across Europe to some of these orphanages because they just wanted to do something to help. They were greeted first with suspicion, but then warmly welcomed because the staff were just as demoralised as the children. This became a regular trip and at Christmas time they got the locals to wrap shoeboxes to take toys, sweets and toiletries etc to some of these orphanages. This is how Operation Christmas Child began. It became a world-wide charity when Samaritans Purse took over the project years later.

I reported last year that since 2002 (this does not include the school) we had collected 2673 boxes so now the total is 2804!

Another BIG THANK YOU!

Jackie Beadle, Caverswall, Queen Hoo Lane, Tewin.

Tewin Parish Council



The Parish Council would like to thank Friends of Tewin for decorating the Christmas tree this year and for helping to organize the carol singing event. They would also like to thank Mr. V. Murray for kindly PAT testing the tree lights.

Precept

The Council reviewed Estimate to Year End for Financial Year Ending 31.3.2018 and the precept options for the Financial Year Ending 31.3.2019 and in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Council they unanimously agreed that the precept be increased by 1.69% from £29,500 to £30,000 in line with inflation.

Tewin Drivesafe Speed Awareness Group

We are delighted to report that the fixed flashing solar powered speed indication device ("SID") is up and running on the verge on Upper Green. This was arranged following a successful grant application to the Herts Police & Crime Commissioner by the Tewin Drivesafe Speed Awareness Group last December. The SID will show the speed a driver is travelling at and if the vehicle is within the speed limit a green smiley face, if above the speed limit a red frowning face. Data will be collected from it to assess traffic speeds.

Tewin Drivesafe Speed Awareness Group is a dedicated team of volunteers that turns out 2 to 3 times month to speed check vehicles entering or leaving the village. They use a portable speed indicator device ("SID") which highlights each car's speed to help improve all drivers' speed awareness as many people are not aware how fast they are driving on local roads which have a 30mph limit.

Tewin Parish Council are very supportive of the Drivesafe group and are hopeful that their continued operation will encourage motorists to slow down through Tewin. If you would like to volunteer to help man the speed indicator device "SID" and monitor traffic please email: drivesafe.tewin@gmail.com

Lower Green

The southern point of Lower Green has been damaged by vehicles crossing over it so the Parish Council has agreed to place some granite blocks to deter traffic and protect the green.

Parish Paths Partnership (P3) Grant 2017

Unfortunately drainage works on BR4 down to Lousehole Bottom have been delayed due to cost so the Parish Council has agreed to use the 2017 grant to rebuild the steps on FP26 opposite the shop, level FP13 by Muspatt's Farm and replace the handrail and install a new one on the footbridge on FP23. The remaining monies from the P3 grant will go towards gate repairs completed on footpaths: 41,17,13 .

Pavilion Extension

Following requests from users of the Pavilion for a larger hall/meeting room so more people within the community can take part in the numerous activities at this popular public amenity, Tewin Parish Council has obtained planning permission to extend the hall/meeting room and changing rooms.

These works will be financed from funds donated by Tewin Parish Council, Tewin Pavilion Community Interest Company and Friends of Tewin as well as grant funds awarded by National Lottery Awards 4 All, Tarmac Landfill Communities Fund and East Herts Community Grant. The extension works are expected to start in Spring 2018.

PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 7th February 2018 at 7.45pm at Tewin Memorial Hall.

Agenda: Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion at the meeting. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores 3 working days before the meeting. *All Parishioners are welcome to attend and can make comments at the start of the meeting.*

Minutes: These are displayed at Tewin Stores, Tewin Memorial Hall, at the bus shelter at the top of Desborough Drive and on the website www.tewinvillage.co.uk. The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

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Hi I am Oli, I am 15years old and have lived in Tewin all my life, you might see me working in Tewin Stores on a Saturday morning. I have been lucky enough to be selected to represent Hertfordshire and the UK at the 24th World Scout Jamboree in July 2019 in West Virginia, USA.

To allow me to attend this I need to raise £3770. This will partly fund my attendance. However, more importantly allow other Scouts from less fortunate countries across the world to attend and 'unlock a new world'.

The World Scout Jamboree is a once in a lifetime event that allows scouts from across the world to meet at one large event. It is designed to allow us to experience peace, friendship and adventure. It happens once every 4 years and this year over 40,000 scouts will be attending making it larger than the Olympics.

I am available to do small odd jobs as well as babysitting locally to help me fundraise towards this amount, or any donations are most welcome. You are also able to make donations to my just giving page:

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THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS

Annual General Meeting on Monday 15th January 2018

The seventeenth *THACS* AGM will take place at Tewin Memorial Hall on Monday 15th January 2018 at 7:30pm. This is an important meeting for *THACS* and all members are urged to attend. Non-members are very welcome but not able to vote on society issues. There is no admission charge for the evening and no booking is necessary.

The AGM will be followed by a talk from our guest speaker Richard Fishbourne and the subject of his talk will be *A Worm's Eye View of Bringing a Garden to Life*. Richard runs his own natural gardening business called *Bugs and Beasties* and his talk will provide an in-depth look at ways of creating space for nature in the garden. It will deal with life within the soil, the advantages of composting, sustainable means of feeding the birds, building with green materials, tending your veggies, planting for wildlife, creating habitat and refuge for bugs, birds and bees alike. This is a great opportunity for you to be entertained, enlightened and possibly even enthused by his infectious passion about bugs and beasties and their role in our gardens.

We look forward to seeing you on the night.

A Reminder

Tewin Magazine

The annual £6 subscription is now due! Please have your money ready for your distributor. If you prefer to pay by cheque, please make it payable to "St Peter's Church Tewin PCC".

A big "Thank you!" again for your continued support and to the distributors who brave all weathers to deliver to you.

Sue Whitbourn

Screen On The Green

On the 22nd January we are showing 'Bicycle Thieves' (1948) Italian. This is a classic Italian neorealist drama set in post-war Rome. Directed by Vittorio De Sica it is a simple story about the lives of ordinary people with outdoor shooting and lighting and with non-actors mixed with actors. Antonio, an unemployed man finds a job for which he needs his bicycle but then his bike gets stolen. The British film Institute includes 'Bicycle Thieves' in its Top Ten films you should see by the age of 14!

The dates and other films to be shown this season are as follows:

19th February. *Rebel Without a Cause* (1955)

19th March. *The Merchant of Venice* (2004)

16th April. *Hidden Figures* (2017)

21st May. *84 Charing Cross Road* (1986)

18th June. *The Tin Star* (1957)

MONDAY 22 January. Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start. Complimentary teas and coffees beforehand. Ice cream on sale. Tickets from Tewin Stores or on the door, priced £4. Bring your own drinks and nibbles for a jolly night out at the Tewin Memorial Hall.

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Tewin Tennis Club



Best wishes from the Tennis Club committee to all our members, and indeed everyone in the parish, for the New Year. We hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas too.

Many of you will be going to parties and social events on New Year's Eve, including the newly organised event by club members Joanne and Malcolm Allen at the Tewin Memorial Hall.

Now we are in the depth of winter it often seems a bit of a challenge to get out onto the tennis courts, but the reality is that there are plenty of hours in the day when the court is dry and frost-free, when play is definitely viable. Many of us will need an hour or two's exercise after lazy days eating rather too much, so call up fellow club members and get a game organised.

That's the theme of the club over the quieter months – getting matches organised between yourselves – although there is still turn-up-and-play tennis on Saturday mornings, which attracts a good crowd.

Finally, don't forget the Tennis Club's annual general meeting takes place on Friday March 2, in the Pavilion on Upper Green. More details will be included in next month's Parish News.

Peter Burgess

January Anniversaries

3rd Jan 1924 English Explorer Howard Carter discovered the tomb of Tutankhamun.

10th Jan 1918 The House of Lords gives its approval to Representation of the People Bill, which gives women over the age of 30 the right to vote.

12th Jan 1970 The first Boeing 747 Jumbo jet arrives at Heathrow airport after completing its maiden transatlantic flight from New York

17th Jan 1912 Britain's polar explorers led by Captain Robert Falcan Scott reach the South Pole, only to find Norwegian Roald Amundsen's expedition had beaten him by a month.



Tewin Table Tennis Club

As the half way point in the St Albans, Hatfield and Welwyn Table Tennis League season is reached I am able to report our club team lies in 6th place in the league table. This is a much improved position than we found ourselves after the first few matches as the team players adjusted to the higher standard of the third division.

Our number one player David Kempson has produced a number of excellent results and enjoys a high position in the division's individual player averages. He is well supported principally by Chris Hart, John Barcroft, John Sheridan and other members of the squad

The Table Tennis club is no different to other excellent clubs in our village in that we had a Christmas themed evening on the 19th December in the School Hall. Members enjoyed nibbles, mince pies etc. in between playing table tennis.

Festivities don't end there as club members will be holding their post Christmas get together in the Rose and Crown on January 18th without a table tennis ball in sight.

If you or your children aged 8 and over feel you would like to give table tennis a try or improve your present skills why not come along on a Tuesday evening at Tewin Cowper School between 7pm-10pm. Bats and balls plus a soft drink are provided by the club. Cost is £3 for the whole evening for adults and £1 for children from 7pm-8pm.

For further information please contact John Sheridan on 01438 717407 or email johnchris1@talktalk.net.

Team Vicar's Letter

Last year our group of churches reflected on four particular values – Generosity, Joy, Imagination and Courage – and for each one of these we hosted an event. For Joy we learned how to sing gospel music with local gospel choir Herts Of Love. For Imagination local crafters, musicians and artists let us dabble in new skills. For Courage we braved the hot coals (raising over £5,000 for charity). Finally for generosity each member of our congregations was given a fiver, with the challenge to imaginatively increase that money to raise funds for the Christian Aid Christmas Appeal. The results of which we will collect in by the end of this month, to help those suffering drought and famine in South Sudan and Burkino Faso.

Yet if I look back over the last year, and reflect as we enter a new one, the real actions of generosity, joy, imagination and courage have been displayed not so much through these events, good as they have been, but more so in the day to day lives of people in our parishes. In the offers of help to neighbours in need; in the hours volunteered to groups and committees that serve our communities; in both the tears and the humour that emerge when faced with unexpected and difficult news; in financial giving to the church and charity; in friendship and kindness, love and laughter. I am fortunate enough to see those values displayed every day.

You may be familiar with the ‘Where’s Wally?’ books – which invite you to peer closely to spot the bespectacled, stripy-shirted man. Well I think the same game can be played in any room, in any situation – to try to spot those values of generosity, joy, imagination and courage in action. Sometimes they are obvious. Sometimes you have to really peer. Sometimes they catch you by surprise. But have a go. See if you can spot them. And when you do, be thankful.

Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

| DATE | DAY | SERVICE | TIME | MINISTER | 1 ST READING | 2 ND READING | GOSPEL |
|------------|---|---------------------|---------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| JAN 7th | EPIPHANY BAPTISM OF CHRIST | HOLY COMMUNION | 9.30 am | SUSAN MARSH | ISAIAH 60 V 1-6 | EPHESIANS 3 V 1-12 | MATTHEW 2 V 1-12 |
| | | CHORAL EVENING-SONG | 6.30pm | MICK SIMMONS | ISAIAH 60 V 13-END | JOHN 1 V 43-END | |
| 14th | 2nd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY | HOLY COMMUNION | 9.30am | SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD | 1 SAMUEL 3 V 1-10 (11-20) | REVELATION 5 V 1-10 | JOHN 1 V 43-END |
| 21st | 3rd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY | FAMILY SERVICE | 11.15am | SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD | JOHN 1 V 43-END | | |
| | | HOLY COMMUNION BCP | 6.30pm | SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD | GENESIS 14 V 17-20 | REVELATION 19 V 6-10 | JOHN 2 V 1-11 |
| 28th | CANDLEMAS PRESENTATION OF CHRIST | HOLY COMMUNION | 9.30am | SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD | MALACHI 3 V 1-5 | HEBREWS 2 V 14-END | LUKE 2 V 22-40 |

Service of Said Evening Prayer is held every Monday at 5pm

ROTAS

| SERVER | READER | SIDESMEN | COFFEE | FLOWERS | CLEANER |
|---------------------|----------------------|--|------------------|---------|--------------------------------|
| JAN 7th DAVID | NICKY HADLEY | ELAINE FOWLER LINDA GILLEY | ELAINE FOWLER | TBC | VICKY DE NAEYER |
| | MALCOLM SLAUGHTER | MARK SWANN KEITH BARNFIELD | | | |
| 14th KEITH | KAREN SHAW | MYRA WALKER DI BRADLEY | DEIRDRE HATT | TBC | DI BRADLEY |
| 21st PAULINE | MILLIE BOOKER | CLARE RAWLINS ELAINE FOWLER | SHEILA FEAKES | TBC | LINDA CRAWFORD |
| | MICK SIMMONS | IVOR WILLIAMS NICKY HADLEY | | | |
| 28th DAVID | ALICE GREENWOOD | PETE JOHNSON MARY GREGG | MYRA WALKER | TBC | JUNE & MALCOLM SLAUGHTER |

St Peter's News

It seems a long way in the past now but it seems appropriate to report that our entry in the Datchworth Christmas Tree Festival came third in the children's section. For those of you who did not see it our tree was entitled 'Starry, Starry Night'. The starry decorations for the tree were made by the children in Little Lambs and also Story Club; the wonderful backdrop was painted and decorated for the children by Audrey Walters and Janet Thompson. We were later able to use the tree at the School to hold beautiful glittery baubles with prayers from the children on the back and the decorated stars were used to hang on the Christmas tree in the south porch donated to us by Ivor Williams.

Unfortunately, the heavy snowfall on 10th December meant that our processional community Nativity had to be cancelled but we were able to produce a 'scratch' version at the Family Service on 17th December. Our Carol Service that evening went very well and we enjoyed sherry and mince pies afterwards.

We know that quite a number of you continue to work on the 'generosity' project and have devised a variety of ways to increase the £5 starting amount. It will be interesting to report on these activities next month – but it has nevertheless been an interesting and thought provoking project to end the series of Joy, Imagination, Courage and Generosity.

PB

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TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL

JUMBLE SALE UPDATE

As reported in the last issue, we had a very successful Autumn Jumble Sale with takings on the day amounting to £3,911. Since then we have received additional amounts and Pat Fulford, our Treasurer, has confirmed that the final takings amounted to £4,346 - a magnificent sum.

At present there are a number of projects on hand to update the Hall so this money will make a great contribution towards the cost. Therefore, the Committee wish to thank everyone who made such generous donations, and of course heartfelt thanks go to our army of helpers, who worked so tirelessly throughout the Sale. Without our Jumlbers it wouldn't be possible to hold such a successful event and we are grateful to them all.

Finally, a reminder that the Spring Jumble Sale is planned for **Saturday, 10th March**, so if you receive unwanted Christmas presents or are planning a New Year clear out, please keep us in mind.

Many thanks.

Todd Canton (01438 717 395) – on behalf of The Memorial Hall



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Happy New Year to you all, from the Bowls Club



Are you thinking about a New Year Resolution?

Maybe you would like to spend more time drawing or painting, if only there wasn't housework and gardening to do. Perhaps you'd do more art if you had a special place and time to do it. The Art Group at the Bowls Club would be delighted to have you join them. They meet in the Club House each Monday from 10 to 12, and draw and paint in various media under the guidance of an accomplished artist (and there's always coffee and biscuits). If you are interested, just ring Lilian on 01438 717203 for more information.

Or, maybe, your resolution would be to get more exercise, but nothing too strenuous or demanding. The Chair Yoga sessions might suit you. This group reconvenes on Wed 31st January at 2.30pm for an hour of gentle muscle toning, either sitting or standing, and also learning how to breathe more efficiently, and how to relax completely, all of which help to promote good health. If this is what you choose for your next New Year Resolution just call Sylvia on 01438 717779.

Having enjoyed a wonderful Christmas Lunch in the Club House, and one of Kevin's amazing Quizzes in December, Bowls Club members and patrons are looking forward to a New Year Celebration Lunch in January. Kevin will no doubt be hatching more quiz questions, probably for February (watch out for the date in the shop), and the Bowls Club Committee are organising a Trophy Presentation Event, and an AGM in March.

If you would like to join the Club, please contact Rob Kenway on 07552 780 236 or Todd Canton on 01438717395. The new bowling season will open on the green on Saturday 21st April.

Shire Park bowls club (Tewin).

Hertfordshire County Council calls on residents to help reduce loneliness

Hertfordshire County Council is calling on residents to catch-up with older and vulnerable neighbours this winter after a recent survey revealed that one in four people never speak to their neighbours.

As part of our campaign to reduce loneliness in Hertfordshire and to highlight its effect on the health and wellbeing of people, we asked residents in a snap twitter poll how often they have conversations with their neighbours.

While over half of those who responded spoke to their neighbours every day or at least once a week, almost half of those who responded never had a conversation or only spoke once a month.

The survey results showed:

14 per cent speak to their neighbours every day

43 per cent speak to their neighbours once a week

16 per cent speak to their neighbours once a month

27 per cent never speak to their neighbours

The Campaign to End Loneliness has released a study that shows one million older people in the UK suffer chronic loneliness.

Loneliness can be felt by people of all ages, although older people and those with physical and learning disabilities are particularly vulnerable.

Colette Wyatt-Lowe, Cabinet Member for Adult Care and Health, said:

“Loneliness can have an awful effect on the health and wellbeing of older and vulnerable people but it is something we can all play our part in reducing.

“People can feel particularly lonely at this festive time of year, so why not pop in and say hello to your neighbours, invite them in for a cuppa, or find out if there are any jobs or tasks that you could help out with. One small gesture could make a real difference to somebody.”

The impact of social isolation can be significant; research suggests being lonely can be as bad for your health as smoking 15 cigarettes a day and can be far worse than obesity and physical inactivity. So, getting to know and spending time with your neighbours has a positive effect on your health and wellbeing.

If you are worried about a friend, neighbour or relative who might be lonely or at risk of loneliness, HertsHelp can help you find out about support that may be available. Call HertsHelp on 0300 123 4044 or email info@hertshelp.net

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Tewin Memorial Hall Supporters Club

Tewin Memorial Hall Draw

November 2017

Here are the results for November's Supporters Club draw:

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| 1 st | £59 | Anne Hall, School Lane |
| 2 nd | £36 | Geoff Willis, Upper Green Road |
| 3 rd | £12 | Byron Sinfield, Bishops Road |
| 3 rd | £12 | Lynne Shankster, Godfries Close |

Want to see your name here?

Please join the Club and help us reach 300 members and monthly prizes totalling £150 every month.

Application forms and more information available from:

- Lisa Bove Tel. 01438 798546 or personal@lisabove.com
- Tewin Memorial Hall
- Tewin Stores
- www.tewinvillagehall.co.uk/supporters-club

Tewin Stores

Thank goodness for our own Village Shop, which proved its worth yet again following the snowfall on Sunday 10th December. Thanks to our Sunday volunteer Jules who not only opened the shop but was there all morning for our customers who needed groceries. She was kept busy the whole morning and indeed sold out of the basics, so much so that we had to try and get more for our Monday customers. Please continue to support us in all weathers and see if in the New Year you could consider joining us as a volunteer as we badly need new recruits.

You certainly supported us at our annual Christmas Fair in December. Everyone enjoyed the free mulled wine or sherry and homemade mince pies and we sold lots of cheese, wine, Tewin Shop biscuits, pickles and jams and wonderful homemade Christmas cakes. There were crafts, gifts, a raffle and our own Tewin Shop vouchers which are available to purchase throughout the year.

We are now looking ahead and have a date for the very popular Afternoon Teas. If you haven't been before, you have missed a treat. Bookings will be taken for the "Vintage Afternoon Tea" after Christmas for Wednesday January 24th at a cost of £10 per person. There will be two sittings at 1.30pm and 3pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Saturday lunches will start again on 20th January 2018 from 12noon until 2pm. Certainly there will be Shepherd's pie, (£5 including a hot drink) with pudding extra. Check the poster in the shop.

Tewin Stores AGM will be held on Wed 7th February 2018, commencing at 8.15pm in Tewin Pavilion.

Thank you again for all your custom in 2017, we in Tewin Stores wish you all a Happy Christmas and healthy New Year.

The December 100 Club winners for December 2017 are:

1st Lis Tyers £44; 2nd John Gilley £22.25; 3rd Jennifer Hume £13.35

Our normal shop opening hours are:

Mon to Fri 8.30-4.30pm, Sat 8.30-12 noon, Sun 9.00-12 noon.

Post office opening hours Mon 13.30 -15.30, Wed and Fri 9.30-11.30am

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Linda Crawford

Vice-Chairman, Tewin Shop Committee



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Friends of Tewin



Carols Around the Christmas Tree

We held our annual Carols around the Christmas Tree on 14th December on a cold but clear night. It was lovely to see so many villagers come along to sing and of course to see Father Christmas. Many thanks to those of you who made mince pies, they were much enjoyed together with the mulled wine and hot chocolate. Members of St Peters Church sold raffle tickets and together with donations they raised £184.15 which will be donated to Shelter.

We will be holding our AGM on 20th February 2018 at 8pm in the Kimberley Room of the Memorial Hall to which all are welcome. Our next event is the Senior Citizens Lunch which will be held on 14th February 2018. Don't forget to put the date in your new diaries and look out for a flyer with menu choices which will be dropping through your door in early January.

The Friends of Tewin Committee thank you all for your support during 2017, our events could not take place without your help. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Roe Hill – Vice Chairman – on behalf of Friends of Tewin Committee.

January

1. The Anglo Saxons called January “Wulfmonath” as it was the month hungry wolves came scavenging at people’s doors.
2. The Romans named it January after Janus, the God of gateways.
3. Janus had two heads so he could look in both directions back at the old year and forward towards the new year, at the same time.

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A Very Happy New Year to you all

After all the excitement of Christmas and New Year festivities we now wait to see what the remaining winter months will bring. Perhaps we will have a 'real' winter, who knows, but whatever everyone will be looking forward to the coming of Spring.

In December our Welwyn shop held their Christmas Fayre which, as always, was very well supported by the local community. Despite plenty of competition from other events we had a steady stream of supporters seeking a bargain. And we had plenty!

It was a very special month for the shop as it marked the 25th anniversary of its opening in 1992 in Welwyn High Street. The money generated made a major contribution to the Danesbury Appeal for the construction of what is now Danesbury Neurological Centre. You will hear more about our plans to mark this important event as the year progresses.

For those still seeking a bargain January is just perfect. We have plenty of items to tempt you – and if you happen to have any unwanted presents we will be delighted to help you out. Remember that your generosity will help the services on which we all depend.

Find us on Facebook at Danesbury Shop Welwyn

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Isabel Hospice

Volunteers Needed!

Isabel Hospice has over 600 volunteers who donate their time in supporting the local charity throughout eastern Hertfordshire. As the need for their specialist end-of-life services increase, so does the need for more volunteers. The Hospice offers full training and has a variety of roles in which help is needed. These include driving patients to and from Hospice Living Well with Isabel Day sessions, helping in the hospices shops and helping in fundraising to put on mass events. If you feel you could donate a few hours a week on a regular basis, please get in touch as we really need your help! Find out more at www.isabelhospice.org.uk/volunteer or ring the Volunteer Office on 01707 382500.

January 2018

Dry January is back in January 2018 for Isabel Hospice. Don't miss out on your chance to become a Hospice Hero and take on the ultimate test of willpower.

Take a break from the booze and join us in going dry in January! Be alcohol free for 31 days from 1st January to the 31st, and raise money for your local Hospice.

By not having your 5 BEERS or WINES on a Friday night over the month, you could save a massive £69! Why not donate this amount instead, and help us to carry on providing our specialist care to our patients.

BUT it doesn't cost a penny to sign up, how do I raise money?!

- Donate your saved beer or wine money – we are sure it will soon add up...
- Ask your friends and family to sponsor you in your challenge (and allow them to wind you up on the odd occasion)
- Be a designated driver and ask for a donation
- Get creative and hold a mini fundraiser to boost your fundraising e.g. an office sweepstake, a coffee and cake morning
- Raise sponsorship and set up your Just Giving Page
- Download your Sponsorship Form from www.isabelhospice.org.uk to collect sponsorship offline

Don't worry, we will send weekly motivational updates to keep you on track... Oh and don't forget the health benefits of going dry too!

There is also an awesome prize for our top fundraiser worth around £450!

Raise the most cash and continue your healthy New Year...

We will be giving away a six month gym membership that has been kindly donated by Nuffield Health.

Dates For Your Diary This Month

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| Mon | Bowls Clubhouse | 10am-12md | Art Group |
| Tues | Tewin School | 7-10 pm | Table Tennis 7-8pm Juniors 7-10pm Adults |
| Wed | Memorial Hall | 9.30– 11am | Parent and Toddler Group |
| Thur | Lower Green | 9.25am | Footpath walks of Tewin |
| Thur | Memorial Hall | 1.30-4.30pm | 50+ Club |
| Fri | Tewin Stores | 2.30-3.30pm | Trussells Butcher's Van |
| Thurs 4th & 18th | Pavilion | 2.15-5pm | Bridge |
| Thurs 11th & 25th | St Peter's Church | 2-3pm | Little Lambs |
| Mon 15th | Memorial Hall | 7.;30pm | THACS AGM & Talk |
| Sat 20th | Tewin Stores | 12-2pm | Lunch 'Shepherds Pie' |
| Mon 22nd | Memorial Hall | 7pm | Screen on the Green- Bicycle Thieves |
| Wed 24th | Tewin Stores | 1.30pm & 3pm | Vintage Afternoon Tea |
| Wed 31st | Bowls Clubhouse | 2.30pm | Chair Yoga |
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