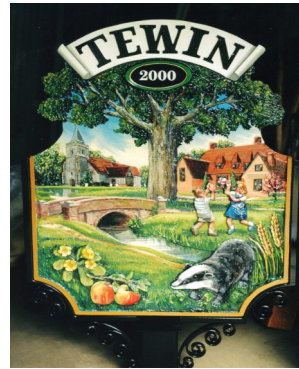




Tewin Magazine

February 2022



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Editorial Note

Welcome to the February 2022 edition of the Tewin Magazine. Our lovely photos of birdlife on the back page this month were taken by Steve Hughes. Would you like to see your photos in the Magazine? I'm always happy to receive any photos which you may have taken. Just email to tewinmagazine@gmail.com.

Screen On The Green are showing "*Parasite*" on Monday 21st (p9) and Tewin Stores are holding their Saturday Lunch of cottage pie on the 19th (p25).

Friends of Tewin are holding their AGM on 8th (p27).

Please see page 4 for details of proposed road closures in the area this month.

Trussells Butcher's Van is outside the shop on Fridays from 2.30-3.30. Call 01438 812304 if you wish to order in advance.

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.

Jackie Murphy, Editor



Could You Foster?

Would you like to find out how you can provide a family home to children in your area? Nexus Fostering is a well-established and highly regarded fostering agency, based in Ampthill, who are urgently seeking full-time foster carers willing to foster older children and siblings. The agency is rated Ofsted 'Outstanding' in all areas and place a high premium on the quality of support and care that they provide to every one of the foster carers and, in turn, the children and young people placed with them.

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Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal

On behalf of Sue Whitbourn and myself, I would like to thank all those who lovingly prepared and packed shoe boxes for OCC at the end of 2021. Over 50 boxes headed off to a distant land from Tewin village this year plus at least a further 10 boxes (that we know about) were sent online. This was a tremendous effort considering the personal difficulties many have faced themselves throughout the year.

I was hoping, by now, to inform you which country your boxes had been sent to, but unfortunately I have not yet heard. I will be able to update you next month.

I would also like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Jackie Beadle who sadly passed away last year. Jackie and her husband organised the collection of OCC shoeboxes for the village for many years, encouraging friends and acquaintances to participate, and bringing joy to a vast number of children overseas at Christmas.

The link below gives you insight into the work carried out by OCC, and we hope this will inspire you to pack a box next year and bring a smile to a child's face - it may be the only Christmas present they receive!

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Judy Puddefoot

On This Day - 4th February

1911 Rolls Royce commissioned the 'Spirit of Ecstasy' from sculptor Charles Sykes

1962 The Sunday Times printed the first colour supplement in Britain

1971 Rolls Royce declared itself bankrupt

Tewin Parish Council



TEWIN COMMUNITY BUS IS BACK

The bus runs on Saturdays only from the Rose & Crown. It leaves Tewin at 9.30am to take you to Welwyn Garden City (via Welwyn North if requested) and will stop at LIDL, Morrisons and Sainsbury's and then return from Welwyn Garden City at 11.45am.

The fare per passenger is £2.50 single or £5 return.

For more information and to book your seat please contact: Ann Kevis on 01438 717473

MODERN LIGHTS

Modern external LED lights can be very bright. Please would you make sure they are correctly adjusted so that they don't annoy other residents or passing motorists.

CAPTIVE BIRDS

Please be aware that if you keep chickens, ducks, geese or any other birds you are now legally required to keep them indoors and to follow strict bio security measures in order to keep your birds safe and stop the spread of Avian influenza (bird flu). It is vital to stop wild migratory birds mixing with captive birds.

For more information or to report bird flu please call Defra Rural Services Helpline on 03000 200 301.

PLEASE USE OUR POST OFFICES

Just a gentle reminder that your local post offices are located at Tewin Stores and Burnham Green Village Hall and they offer a wide range of services. It is possible to buy stamps, send parcels, pay bills, pay in & withdraw cash from most banks, purchase Euros for your holiday, road tax, and phone top ups. Please support this service.

See page 13 for opening hours.

LOCAL ROADWORKS

The following road closures are scheduled over the next few months:

17/1/22 - 25/1/22 road closure on B1000 between Bessemer Road roundabout & Digswell mini roundabout

02/02/22 - 3/2/22 road closure on Station Road, Digswell

22/02/22 - 23/2/22 road closure on Station Road, Digswell

23/02/22 - 24/2/22 footpath patching, possible road delays on Station Road, Digswell

25/02/22 - 28/2/22 B1000 Digswell replace pedestrian handrail

For more information please google **hcc roadworks**

NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting is on **Monday 7th February 2022** at 7.45pm in Tewin Memorial Hall.

PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

Website: www.tewinvillage.co.uk

Agenda: Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores & website 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 and on the website. The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

Meeting Dates and Newsletters: These are published on the website.

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Our East Herts Rural Team contacts are:

PC Mark Turner or PCSO Sally Brooks.

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THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY

THACS Shows in 2022

The Spring Show will be on Saturday 9th April and the Autumn Show will be on Saturday 24th September. Please note that the autumn show is later than usual. This is in response to the difficulty we had in finding enough helpers for our last autumn show. The first two weeks of September are a popular time for our regular helpers to go on holiday, so we are more likely to find enough willing and available helpers if we schedule the show for later in the month.

The Show Schedule for the Spring Show will be available from the end of February. Meanwhile here are the photographic categories for both shows: -

Spring 2022	Autumn 2022
1. Pets* (animal / nature)	1. Insects* (animal / nature)
2. Through a window* (architecture)	2. Crops* (landscape)
3. Green space* (landscape)	3. Rooftops (architecture)
4. Lines (abstract / interpretation)	4. Flowers* (possible close-up)
5. Fragile (possible close-up)	5. Broken (abstract / interpretation)

The Adult Section consists of all ten categories and the Children's Section consists of the six categories marked with *. The general type of photographic technique you could use is shown in the bracketed notes by each category. These will hopefully give you some guidance but they are just suggestions, so please don't let them hinder your creativity!

Ray Keppler
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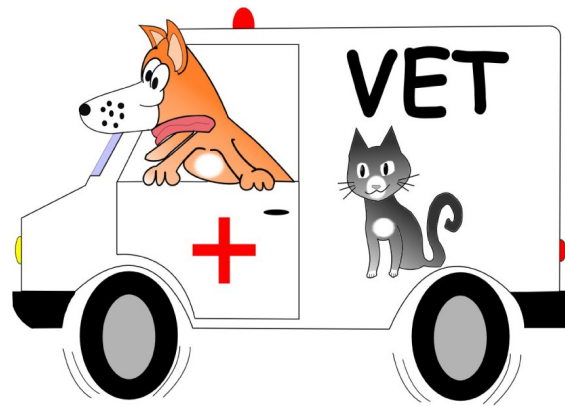
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Screen On The Green

This month's film, on the 21st February, is “*Parasite*”, a South Korean black comedy thriller directed by Bong Joon-ho and released in 2019. Set in Seoul, it follows a poor family who scheme to become employed by a wealthy family and infiltrate their household by posing as unrelated, highly qualified individuals. The director has referred to the film as an 'upstairs/downstairs' or 'stairway' movie in which staircases are used to illustrate the social class chasm between the two families.

Parasite premiered at the Cannes Film Festival becoming the first South Korean film to win the Palme d'Or. It then went on to win many other accolades including four Academy Awards and is the first non-English language film to win Best Picture. *Parasite* is an R-rated film with adult material and some violence/gore. Dialogue is in Korean with English subtitles.

The evening will be run in a similar way as before (government restrictions permitting) but, for the safety of everyone, we would prefer that you are fully vaccinated. Please do not come if you are feeling unwell.

Future dates for the diary:

21st March *Apollo 11 (2019)*

25th April *I, Tonya (2018)*

MONDAY 21 FEBRUARY Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start. Complimentary tea or coffee. 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.

Marie St Pier

Winter on the Farm

There is plenty going on behind the scene every day on a farm. We are having very unseasonable weather, 15 degrees during most of December, too warm. We like it cold and frosty as it keeps the slugs at bay and stops disease building up on our growing crops of oats and wheat. We were about 2 weeks late in sowing our crops this Autumn due to seed problems at the Seed Merchant, but with these mild conditions, they have continued to grow, and growth stage is almost perfect.

I have been asked to explain what mini till is. Up to a few years ago all land was ploughed, but now just a small area is ploughed. If the land is ploughed it can incorporate the compost and straw, which then breaks down.

But ploughing a field is a very expensive operation, and needs several passes to make a seedbed. The benefits of mini till are improving soil health, reducing our carbon footprint, fewer passes over the land, requiring lower horsepower tractors, fuel savings (Diesel usage) and also Co2 emissions. My mini till implement is called a Sumo. It does three jobs in a pass. It has 7 subsoiler legs which break up the compacted soil, two sets of discs, which chop up the stubble and straw, then a large press wheel at the back which packs the soil down. The outcome is 10ins of lovely loose soil, almost ready to sow into.

Due to the huge demand from dog walkers wanting an area of grassland on my farm to let their dogs run free, we have set aside a hectare (2.5 acres) of grassland for the dogs. It has a dedicated area to park their cars leading into a secure area in which the dogs can run free. We have lots of Happy Dogs !

Ivor Williams.

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Wed 9.30am until 11.30am

Fri 9.30am until 11.30am

Datchworth Village Hall Post Office Open:

Tues 9.00am until 12 noon

Tewin Memorial Hall Draw

December 2021

Here's confirmation of the draw results for December

1st	£53	Pat Fulford, Bishops Road
2nd	£32	Julia Tizard, Hertford Road
3rd	£11	Richard Stevens, Desborough Drive
3rd	£11	Lloyd Davies, Harmer Green Lane

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Heart Disease in Women

Women are nearly 3 times as likely to die from coronary heart disease than breast cancer. Yet it's still often thought of as a man's disease.

Heart disease refers to any condition that affects the heart including:

- heart attacks
- heart failure
- abnormal heart rhythms (arrhythmia)
- heart valve disease
- inherited or congenital heart disease

It's important that you know the signs of heart attack and other heart conditions, and when to seek medical attention.

- know the symptoms of a heart attack
- get medical help immediately if you have symptoms of a heart attack
- know the symptoms of heart failure or arrhythmia (abnormal heart rhythm)
- seek medical attention if you are pregnant and have chest pain or breathlessness that occurs with minimal exertion or when you are at rest
- seek medical attention if you are pregnant and have chest pain or breathlessness that comes on suddenly or is not normal for you
- talk to your healthcare professional if you have a heart condition and are planning pregnancy
- reduce your risk of heart disease by making lifestyle changes
- do not ignore symptoms of a heart attack
- do not delay getting help if you have symptoms of a heart attack

A heart attack is a medical emergency. It's crucial to get treatment as soon as possible.

If you would like further information about the Bridge Cottage Surgery Patient Participation Group please email ppgbridgecottage@gmail.com

Team Vicar's Letter

A Victor Meldrew-esque yell from the living room made my daughter come running. "I don't believeeeeeeve it!" I shouted, "they're at it already." Daughter looked at the television and raised her eyebrows. "Oh that" she said.

My family are well used to my pet hates when it comes to advertisements; online bingo, payday loans, and this - adverts for Easter eggs in January (or Christmas puddings in September). We still have mince pies in the cupboard, goodness I still have Christmas cards I haven't yet delivered (do I save them now for next year?), I don't really want to be forced into thinking about stocking up on Easter chocolate.

Truth be told I do have to think about Easter after Christmas has finished because, unsurprisingly, in the church there is much to plan. In life it is impossible not to look ahead, at least a bit, but I just wonder if we are permanently encouraged to look forward, to look for the next event, the next big thing - that we might just miss the moment that is.

There is a practice in Christian tradition that encourages mindful awareness of God and of the present moment. It is a tradition that stems from desert fathers noticing God in the wilds of their habitation. It encourages a slowing down, a way of stopping and seeing the present as a holy place; full of God and full of his grace.

There is one exercise (the type that doesn't ask for lycra) given to us by St. Ignatius, which asks us to review the day. To sit quietly at the end of it and look back on what has been. To notice God in the good, in the moments of joy and love. To notice the difficult times and then to notice God's presence within that as well. To ask the Holy Spirit to show us what we have failed to notice. And when I do it, it surprises me how much beauty is revealed in a day I have often rushed through keen to get onto the next. Try it.

Today is the gift. Now is holy. This moment is where God is.
Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES							
DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1ST READING	2ND READING	GOSPEL
FEBRUARY 6th	4th SUNDAY BEFORE LENT	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	EDWARD CARDALE	ISAIAH 6: 1-End	1 CORIN- THIANS 15: 1-11	LUKE 5: 1-11
13th	3rd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	JEREMIAH 17: 5-10	1 CORIN- THIANS 15: 12-20	LUKE 6: 17-26
20th	2nd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT	FAMILY SERVICE	11.15am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	LUKE 8: 22-25		
		EVENSONG	6.30pm	MICK SIMMONS	GENESIS 1: 1 - 2: 3	MATTHEW 6: 25-End	
27th	SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT	HOLY COMMUNION *	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	EXODUS 34: 29—End	2 CORIN- THIANS 3: 12- 4:2	LUKE 9: 28-43a

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

ROTAS					
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13th PAULINE	PAULINE BROWN	DI BRADLEY CLARE RAWLINS	TBC	CLARE RAWLINS	PAULINE SPRING
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	ROSEMARY NODDER	MARK SWANN			
27th DAVID	TBA	ELAINE FOWLER ANNE LAND	TBC	ELAINE FOWLER	SUE WHITBOURN

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19 January 2022 Kathleen Downing

St Peter's News

A church at the heart of the village, with space for all

Christmas and January have come and gone, and it behoves me to thank many people who helped make Christmas in the church a joyful event. We kicked off with a splendid turnout for the Tewin Nativity. Thank you to all from the school who participated, the teenagers, children and adults who took roles and especially to Emma Owens who orchestrated the whole thing. Thank you also to Esther and Bruce Carley who allowed us to use their wonderful barn for the final tableau.

I am pleased to say that the popup Nativity was also well attended with two Marys, three kings and an angel coming dressed up for the Family Service. In the evening we held our candle-lit Carol Service and were delighted to be joined by the SAVoce choir again accompanied by some of our own choir. Thank you to everyone who supported this service. Thanks are also due to Ivor Williams who once again provided us with the Christmas Tree and to Clare Rawlins for decorating it. The flowers in church are still looking magnificent, a month later – thank you to all our flower arrangers for the wonderful work they do at Christmas and throughout the year.

Many young people came to the Crib Service on Christmas Eve, made bleating noises like sheep to accompany Susannah's account of the Christmas Story and carefully carried the nativity figures to the crib. Our Midnight Services are usually so busy that we have to lay out extra chairs in the Clock Tower but this year everyone was being careful, and we had a small sedate group that night and on Christmas Day. Nevertheless, we are pleased to report that we raised over £500 split between our nominated Christmas charities this year – the YMCA in Welwyn Garden City, which supports homeless young people, and CBM – the Christian Blind Mission, which is a charity for poor disabled people elsewhere in the world. The sums included £150

from the Rose and Crown's Walk a Mile initiative – so many thanks to Sean and Martine and their supporters for their efforts. Money was also raised for the Children's Society.

I expect, like me, you have been pleased to hear the bellringers quite often recently. Our own ringers rang a Quarter peal on 3 December and 6 January and were visited by the Middlesex Ringers who rang Tewin bells on 23 December. On 1 January two Tewin Ringers, Andrew B Mills and Emily Crowder, were joined by four other ringers from elsewhere (Simon J Davies, Daniel R B Gregory, Laurence P J Bourton, and Richard Sales) to ring a 5040 Minor (7 different methods) which takes 2hours 48 minutes in all, to welcome in the New Year. The doors were open and over 100 visitors came to look in during the peal. This was a wonderful effort. I hope they will also have rung a quarter peal on Sunday 23 January at 5pm for the 100th Anniversary of the Tewin Memorial Hall.

We are mindful that many people in the village have had Covid this month. We continue to hold in our prayers all those affected by the pandemic, all those who have died or have been bereaved around the turn of the year. We are still being very careful in church, wearing masks throughout the services, socially distanced seating, not taking wine at communion. Our clergy are still in contact with those self-isolating or unable to get out of the house, or with any bereaved families.

Susannah can be contacted by email or phone,

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Tewin Tennis Club

The winter months give the club some time to get on with jobs behind the scenes, with the committee still hard at it planning, discussing and getting our ducks in a row for the forthcoming season proper.

There will be all the usual popular events. The ABC League looks like it will start again in April, and we hope all adult members will consider joining this entertaining event that takes place on Friday evenings through to mid-summer. Details will appear soon on the website, www.tewintennisclub.co.uk.

Stronger players may be seconded to a team in the Datchworth League, which takes place on a Monday evening around the Hertfordshire villages. Each team has one lady and two men, resulting in three doubles matches per evening, which tend to be sociable but also just a little bit serious.

Then we are planning on some social events based around the courts and the adjoining pavilion, which we'll tell you more about when we know *exactly* what's happening. We'd like to especially encourage new members to get involved, so please do get in touch with me if you need more information or an explanation of what's what.

One area where there's been a recent change, which has caused a bit of understandable confusion, is the court booking. Members do *not* need to pay a £5 hourly fee, but do need to login via the LTA login function on our website beforehand. Again, if you have any trouble, please get in touch with me via email and I'll try to help.

Peter Burgess
tewintennis@gmail.com

On This Day

1st February 1910 the first Labour Exchange opened



Tewin Table Tennis Club

Indoor sports facilities are often in the front line for closure under Government restrictions as a consequence of the problems caused by the Covid virus. If not closure, indoor sports face limitations as to how many players can participate and introduce important changes that allow the clubs to continue to remain open.

Our club has managed to remain open since September last year after the summer break, with changes introduced to support players' health and welfare. Not surprisingly some members have taken a cautious approach and are waiting for the virus to subside further before returning which is understandable. However on a brighter note, in the past few months we have seen an influx of new members joining the club.

The St. Albans, Hatfield and Welwyn TT League delayed the start of the season until late October with a restricted number of teams and divisions due to the pandemic. Our first team found themselves in Division One after their promotion success from last season. They have more than held their own in the division and at the halfway point in the season are in a commendable fourth place.

The second team, after winning Division Four last season, are currently top of Division Three following some impressive results.

The Table Tennis club is open on Tuesday evenings from 7pm in the Tewin Cowper School in Cannons Meadow. We play on three good quality tables and bats and balls are provided by the club. Players of all standards are always welcome. Please note masks must be worn unless playing table tennis at the tables when they can be removed.

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Tewin Stores and Cafe

With the arrival of a new coffee machine, Tewin Stores is now able to offer a range of speciality coffees including espresso, americano, cappuccino and latte and delicious hot chocolate. We will provide training to all volunteers to enable us to offer the coffees throughout the day. So, why not call in and enjoy a coffee or hot chocolate with a piece of homemade cake or order one to take away. We look forward to seeing some of the mums after dropping off their children at school, please pop in for a morning coffee, we have highchairs for the young ones. Over the next couple of weeks we will be replacing the shop's awning, refurbishing the shop sign and the fruit and vegetable display unit. All much needed improvements to the general appearance of the shop.

We recently received an unannounced visit from the environmental health officer who has to check businesses like ours from time to time. We were pleased to be rated 4 to 5 stars. This is a tribute to the sterling efforts of Bev and our wonderful volunteers in keeping the shop clean and tidy.

Deliveries of newspapers from Smiths News has become increasingly unreliable in recent weeks. We are doing all we can to improve the situation however we would like to apologise to customers who have been inconvenienced by the late arrival of newspapers.

Peter Miller has decided to step down from the Tewin Stores management committee and as a consequence we are seeking to recruit a new committee member. Tewin Stores enjoys the benefit of an experienced and knowledgeable committee who have a good understanding of the shop's operations and relationships with volunteers and customers. If you would like to know more about joining the committee and would like more information please contact Peter Miller (pjmiller17@gmail.com) or register your interest with Bev in the shop. Lunch at the shop on Saturday February 19th is Cottage pie. The cost is still £5.00 but will go up in March due to increases in costs all round. Still good value for money as we enjoy your company.

The 100 Club Draw results for January are as follows :

1st Prize: Martyn Perkins - £44.50

2nd Prize: Paula Collins - £22.25

3rd Prize: Helen Bennell - £13.35

Linda Crawford

Opening Hours:

Monday	8.30am - 4.00pm
Tuesday - Friday	8.30am - 2.30pm
Saturday	8.30am - 12.00 noon
Sunday	9.00am - 12.00 noon

Friends of Tewin



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2021

In line with many other Tewin groups during the Covid-19 pandemic, our 2020 AGM was held via Zoom, on 17th February 2020. At the AGM, Anne Hall, Kay Adams, Olly Morrisroe and Shirley Sinfield were re-elected as Chairman, Treasurer, Vice-Chairman and Secretary respectively. Roe Hill, Hilary Tipping, Damien Redlich and Wayne Rolfe were all re-elected. Gaye Grimmond was newly elected to the Committee.

We were deeply saddened by the death of our Honorary President, Ben Roberts on 25th March. Ben had been a member of our committee since its inception. He had a gentle and generous spirit and contributed greatly to our meetings and activities. He has been greatly missed, not only by us but by other Village groups where his presence was always welcome. Due to Covid-19, the Seniors Citizens' Lunch in February and the Maypole Dancing did not take place.

On 26th/27th June, we were delighted to join forces with THACS to stage the Baskets/Tub & Village Trail. Covid-19 restrictions had eased sufficiently to allow this outdoor event to take place.

In all, 25 floral displays were dotted around Tewin and it was great to see the effort people had put into their display. We devised a clue for each one to encourage people to see them all.

We sold teas and cakes on Lower Green which provided a welcome break for people to sit and chat. We raised about £400 which will be used to support village groups.

On 22nd August, we staged the Tewin Classic Car & Craft Show.

Around 400 classic cars were displayed on Upper Green and it was a very colourful sight to see. We were unsure whether to go ahead but by adjusting how we ran the show, everything went well. Many Tewin residents willingly volunteered their time to help and I want to thank everyone involved in making the day such a success.

Once again, Aston Martin & McLaren Hatfield sponsored the show and I want to thank them also for their support. Attracting such a prestigious company is a huge compliment and I'm delighted to tell you that we made £6,807 profit which is a testament to all the wonderful volunteers

who help us. That money is in the process of being distributed to groups in Tewin who have applied for funding.

On Sunday 14th November, I laid a wreath, on behalf of the committee, as a part of the Remembrance Service at St Peter's Church.

On 17th December, we staged the Father Christmas Drive-through Tewin followed by Carol Singing in the garden of the Rose and Crown. I want to thank Martine and Sean at the Rose & Crown for opening their garden to enable us to hold the event and for their help and support. The Drive-through went really well and it was great to see so many happy families out on the streets.

We were delighted to welcome back our regular brass band who, apart from 2020, have come to play at the Carols event since 2009. They are a big part of this lovely village tradition and the event wouldn't be the same without them.

The Committee met on 10 occasions during the year.

On behalf of the Friends of Tewin Committee, I want to thank everyone who has helped us, we couldn't manage without you and we are very grateful for your continued support. If you want to know more about any of our events, please email friendsoftewin@gmail.com or ring Anne on 01438 718505.

Our Annual General Meeting is at 6.30pm on 8th February 2022 in the Parish Room at Tewin Memorial Hall.

Chairman: Anne Hall, 5 School Lane, Tewin, Herts. AL6 0JR

On This Day

1st February 1924	Britain formally recognised the Soviet Union
3rd February 1962	Harold Macmillan made the 'Winds of Change' speech to the South African Parliament
7th February 1971	Swiss men voted to allow women to vote in federal elections and to stand for parliament

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Love is in the air...or so they say. With Valentine's Day round the corner we hope that even under the current circumstances, you are still able to get a warm hug from those dear to you, something we could probably all do with during these cold and dark months. However, if I may take a moment to go back in time we would like to recognise and thank Georgia Shaw, one of our shop managers, for all her hard work in organising the amazing Christmas raffle we had last Christmas. The raffle raised an astonishing £1200, which was truly amazing!! Also, a big thank you to all who so kindly donated towards the raffle – we would have liked to mention all those that donated but that would leave no space to further add any updates from the Friends. But please do know that your donations were much appreciated, and the money raised will go towards supporting both the patients and the staff at the Danesbury and QVM hospitals.

Unfortunately, COVID is still very much amongst us all, and therefore Danesbury and QVM hospitals are both still very busy and adhering to strict NHS guidance and regulations. As Spring approaches, they hope to be able to have volunteers come back to help within the hospitals, as they are such an integral part of patient rehab and a support to all the staff.

Our charity shop in Welwyn has had a very busy Christmas, especially after the terrible Christmas of 2020. It is no surprise that January has been off to a bit of a slow start, but we are confident that the footfall in the shop will pick up over the coming months. As always, we are very appreciative of your donations, and if you are planning on having a spring clean then please do think of us – we are now also accepting electrical items.

We are always looking for volunteers at the shop, if you have any spare time and would like to be part of the Friends, helping to make a difference within the community, then please come by the shop and one of our managers would be more than happy to discuss this with you. Let's hope that we will all be able to enjoy the outdoors again as Spring approaches.

All our best wishes

Waste Aware

Despite the major challenges of the pandemic, we wanted to thank you all - our residents - for helping the Hertfordshire Waste Partnership deliver a recycling rate of 52.4% in 2020/21, which is the highest achieved to date. The [HWP Annual Report 2020/21](#) contains more about this, the impact Lockdown had on the waste created across the county, how we addressed the limitations to deliver engaging events and answer your questions such as 'what happens to our waste' - including maps of [end destinations](#). A recent study found that almost a quarter (24%) of Hertfordshire bins contains food and drink that would have been edible before it was thrown away. We're not talking peelings or bones, but things like bread, apples and meat. Milk is reported by WRAP to be the third most wasted food type, after potatoes and bread. See <https://www.lovefoodhatewaste.com> for recipe ideas, freezer tips, portion planning and more.

Hertfordshire Energy Advice Tool

Hertfordshire has become one of the first regions in the UK to partner with Energy Saving Trust to provide an energy efficiency app to residents and help them make energy savings.

Unique and easy-to-use the Hertfordshire Energy Advice Tool (HEAT) app gives a virtual tour around a typical home, asking questions and giving advice along the way. Based on the answers provided, quick, easy, low or no-cost actions are suggested to help householders save money on their energy bills and reduce their carbon footprint too.

The app is available for both Android and iOS users:

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Once the virtual tour around the home has finished, a tailored advice report can be emailed, providing users with a summary of the potential energy and money savings. The average saving from using the HEAT app is estimated to be £70 a year.

The app was developed by Energy Saving Trust, the UK's leading trusted expert organisation regarding home energy, and is being rolled out by the Hertfordshire Climate Change and Sustainability Partnership (HCCSP) – making it available to all Hertfordshire residents.

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