



Tewin Magazine



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Merry Christmas

Editorial Note

Welcome to our December edition. What a lovely month we have ahead of us with the School Christmas plays on the 10th and 11th (p14), the Carols Round the Tree on the 18th (p27), the children's craft day on the 20th (p19), the Carol Service on the 21st (p3) and the Crib Service on Christmas Eve (p3). We have this month's film 'Gigi' on the 15th (p9) and Paul Griggs to help us welcome in the New Year on the 31st (p11).

On a more mundane note, subscriptions are now due for 2015 (p3). I hope you have enjoyed the last year's magazines and continue to do so.

It's lovely to have our Post Office back (p25) and to see that the new proposed changes to bus services (p9) no longer affect the 388 service through the village.

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

I wish you all a very Happy Christmas.

Jackie Murphy, Editor

Concert Announcement

Andrei Pytaleu, the organist at Tewin and Datchworth, but also a classical and jazz pianist of international standing, is giving a concert in December. You will have the opportunity to hear him and his jazz octet, a really impressive line up, in St Mary's Church, Welwyn on the 20th December, an event not to be missed.

Tickets are on sale from Andrei and Liz (01462 670278), Ted and Ruth Sharp (01438 798594), from Hill & Company, 5 High Street, Welwyn. Tel 01438 715849 and David's Music Shop, 14 Eastcheap, Letchworth Garden City. Tel 01462 475900.

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Magazine Subscription Renewal

A reminder, please; and a thank you.

£6 is now due for another year's subscription to the Tewin Magazine in 2015. There is no increase in price despite larger issues each month. Please make it easy for your distributor by having your money ready when they call.

A big thank you to all those who subscribe – and to those who distribute the magazine so faithfully each month.

If you don't currently subscribe but would wish to do so, and thus have the magazine delivered to your door every month, then please contact Sue Whitbourn on 01438 798221

Sue Whitbourn

Christmas Services at St. Peter's:

Everyone is welcome at our Christmas Services on:

Sunday 21st December	11:15am Family Service with Nativity
	6:30pm Carol Service
Christmas Eve	3:30pm Crib Service
	11:30pm Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	9:30am Holy Communion

Christmas Tree Festival.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, DATCHWORTH.

Friday, 5th. December, 5-8pm.

Entrance £5, under 12's free.

Tickets also valid for Saturday.

Mulled wine, soft drinks and shortbread included.

Saturday, 6th. December, 2-5.30pm.

Entrance £3, under 12's free.

Father Christmas Grotto, Craft stalls, Lucky Dip, Tombola and more!

Refreshments available.

Organ music in church.

Tewin Parish Council



PLEASE BEWARE OF THIEVES

Officers from the East Herts Rural Team are continuing late night rural patrols to stop rural crime happening in the area. Please ring 101 if anything suspicious is seen in the area or 999 if offenders are still on site. Please take note of the following advice:

- Take a note of serial numbers on all items kept in houses, sheds and outbuildings.
- Take photographs of high value items
- Register items for free on www.immobilise.com
- Check garden boundaries to make sure that all is complete and secure - the recent spate of shed break-ins has seen offenders gain entry via fields at back of properties
- Mark items with house name or number and postcode
- Keep gates and sheds locked - two hasp and staple locks near top and bottom

LOWER GREEN

On 29th October District Service Agent, Raj Goutam, advised that the camera inspection of the gulleys along Lower Green was completed by Herts Highways. He is now awaiting a formal report on the findings before any remedial works can be considered. Their works programme is currently full until the end of January 2015. However, if an opportunity arises earlier they will consider carrying out the works. Herts Highways has been advised of the hazardous nature of the hole.

The Parish Council would like to thank Mr. Dave Roberts for doing such an excellent job of painting the telephone box and Cllr M McMullen for kindly supplying the paint.

UPPER GREEN TREES

The Parish Council has been looking into ways to screen Upper Green from the new houses at Seven acres:

Pleached Hornbeams

The Parish Council is currently considering a proposal to plant a row of pleached hornbeams on the footpath side of Taylor Wimpey's fence adjacent to the tennis courts. The Parish Council agreed to obtain further information and quotes as well as make a request for a special dispensation to plant in the footpath from Herts County Council Rights of Way Unit.

Hedge along the new wall.

The Parish Council agreed to give permission to Tewin Tennis Club to plant a mixed deciduous native hedge in front of the new wall at the back of the tennis courts along with 4 or 5 larger hornbeams which would be allowed to develop into trees.

Screening

Green privacy netting has been supplied to the Tewin Tennis Club by Taylor Wimpey and the Parish Council agreed with the Tewin Tennis Club's proposal to hang the netting and monitor the situation.

UPPER GREEN ROAD FOOTPATH

Herts Highways have distributed an update on the plans for the proposed footpath, from Godfries Close to Upper Green, to houses along the route. If you feel that you have been missed out, please contact the Parish Clerk.

See contact details below.

PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 1st December 2014 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.

Newsletters/Meeting Dates: These are published on the website www.tewinvillage.co.uk

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Highways Fault Line: - 0300 1234047- For reporting potholes etc

East Herts District Council: 01279-655261 or www.eastherts.gov.uk - For reporting smoke & noise nuisance, flytipping, flyposting, dead animals on the road, stray dogs, dog fouling, abandoned vehicles, Environmental Services, Environmental Health, Pest Control, Waste Services, Planning, Tree Preservation Orders, Parking Warden for parking offences.

THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY

Could this be your debut in THACS???

THACS (the Tewin Horticultural Arts and Crafts Society) is made up of a lively group of all ages whose interests range from gardening and garden design to flower arranging, photography, writing, art, baking and making preserves. The village hall starts to buzz for the spring and autumn shows when there is keen competition to show and hopefully win a prize for flower arrangements, fruit and vegetables, art, photographs, writing and baking. We have a terrific committee member, Lynne, who goes into our school and pre-school groups to encourage the children to join in from nursery age upwards. We have seen some great art works, poetry and garden designs from them. In addition to the shows, there are visits to gardens and exhibitions (such as the recent one to the National Gallery), talks and art and craft workshops. Most events come with cake, wine, tea, coffee and lots of new ideas. Also, if you are a new resident, joining *THACS* is a good way of joining village life and enjoying the great community spirit.

At the mere cost of £5 per person per year, membership is the best value around. And, on top, members get discounts for most shows, outings, and talks. You don't have to be a member to join in, so come and see for yourself whether this is for you. The next event is the AGM in Tewin Memorial Hall at 7:30pm Monday 12th January which will include a talk about the 18th century landscaping of Panshanger Park. You will be very welcome.

You can phone Malcolm Allen on 01438798749 or email m.allen47@gmail.com for a chat or to get a membership form, or you can get the form at www.tewinvillage.co.uk/thacs

We hope to see you soon!

Hertfordshire Libraries

Public consultation from 29th September to 7th December 2014

We want your views on our new proposals for Hertfordshire libraries

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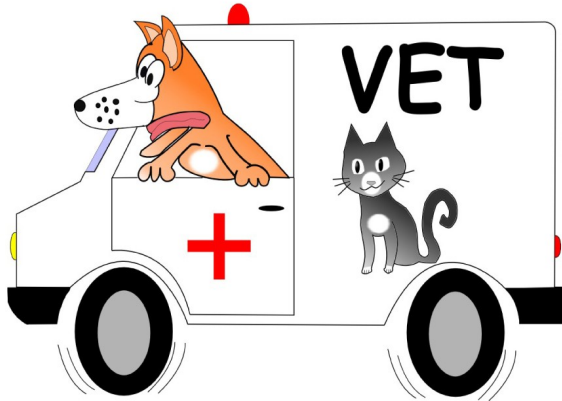
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Screen On The Green

For our Christmas film this year we are showing “**Gigi**”. This delightful musical was made in 1958 and stars Leslie Caron in the title role, Louis Jourdan and Maurice Chevalier. Who could forget “I remember it well” which he sang with the incomparable Hermione Gingold?

This film won nine Oscars, including best picture. Music by Lerner and Loewe (*My Fair Lady*), produced by Arthur Freed (*Singin’ in the Rain*) and directed by Vincente Minnelli. It is a sophisticated and entertaining treat which I am sure everyone will enjoy seeing on the big screen.

MONDAY 15 DECEMBER. 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. Mulled wine and mince pies afterwards to keep you in the Christmas spirit.

Next Steps for Bus Consultation

Following public consultation on bus services subsidised by Hertfordshire County Council, the following recommendations will now go to Cabinet on 15 December 2014. If approved, it is likely that a consultation will launch in January 2015.

- Withdrawing funding from subsidised services after 7.30pm Monday to Saturdays.
- Withdrawing funding from subsidised services that operate on a Sunday (except for routes that directly serve hospitals up to 7.30pm)
- Limiting the amount of subsidy per passenger journey across all subsidised services

Terry Douris, Cabinet Member for Highways and Waste Management, said: “Thank you to everyone who responded to the consultation, signed petitions and wrote to us – this information has been helpful in shaping revised options”.

A copy of the Panel paper, which includes a summary of the consultation findings, is available on: http://www.hertsdirect.org/your-council/civic_calendar/highwayswastecp/18311972/

BOWLS CLUB NEWS



As with many clubs, Shire Park (Tewin) Bowls Club is financed and maintained by its members. However, this is not sufficient to cover exceptional requirements so they are very grateful to have been awarded a grant by Lafarge Tarmac under the Landfill Communities Fund. This has enabled the funding of a new lawn aerator, which is essential to keep the bowling green in tip-top condition and will allow the club to continue to offer a first class playing surface, not only for players at club level, but also for the numerous inter-county and national matches which the Club is pleased to host.

Our grateful thanks go to Lafarge Tarmac for making this possible, as well as to RT Machinery of Aylesbury for their valuable advice and patience during the process of selecting the machine, and to Daniel Du Gard of Groundwork Hertfordshire, who helped with the necessary administration and documentation of our award on behalf of Lafarge Tarmac and the relevant regulatory bodies. The Club now looks forward to playing matches next season on an improved green so if anyone is interested in trying their hand at bowls we will be happy to show you around the Club and answer all your questions. Please phone Robin Kenway on 07552780236 or Todd Canton on 01438 717395.

Shire Park (Tewin) Bowls Club

.Fireworks Night at Tewin Cowper School 2014

How lucky we were with the weather! It turned out to be a dry, clear evening – perfect for fireworks and a roaring bonfire. “What a fantastic family event, my kids said the fireworks and bonfire were awesome and we loved the toffee apples”.

A big thank you to all those who helped and made Fireworks Night possible. Special thanks must go to John Barlow, who allowed access to his land for the display, and also to Nigel Walker for yet again putting on such a fantastic display.

Liz Goscomb

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Admission Adults £3, Children £1 (children under six free)
For further information contact Peter Beale 01438 717323

Better Together

Type2Together is a project, being launched by East and North Hertfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group and Diabetes UK, which looks to support people with Type 2 diabetes by increasing their knowledge and confidence in managing the condition through support groups for patients with Type 2 diabetes.

Joining one of our groups will offer you the chance to:

- Share experiences and information
- Learn more about Type 2 diabetes
- Relate your experience to help others
- Find out about new approaches and research being undertaken

If you are interested in becoming a trained volunteer or joining a group:

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Email: engagement@enhertscg.nhs.uk

www.enhertscg.nhs.uk/type2together



Tewin Cowper School

November was a month of contrasts for us. We had an amazing Firework Display, full of bangs, whooshes and colour, which raised in excess of £1,175, thanks to an incredibly efficient team of parents running it. A few days later we had our Remembrance Day service at St Peter's Church, led by our Honeybee Class (Years 4 and 5). A few days before, we had notice of our Church School Inspection for the same day; so it was with great pride we witnessed our children participating in a very special reflective service. The outcome of the day was a 'Good' judgement by the Inspector, with which we are really pleased.

Now we are into December and all the preparation and festivities that brings. It is an exciting time, full of anticipation as we open a box each day on our special Advent Wall. This year we have something new: a Christmas story wrapped up for each day which will be read to all the children at the end of each school day. Our Art Topic for the end of term is 'Angels'. We are looking forward to a magnificent display, when all the resulting work will be viewed at a special mulled wine and mince pie evening for our parents and special people in the community who help us throughout the year.

Our Christmas plays are a great highlight of the school year: our Ladybird class (Reception / Year 1s) will be performing on 10th December at 9.30am and our Grasshopper and Butterfly classes (Years 1, 2 and 3) will be performing on 11th December at 7.00pm. You are welcome to join us. Our Christmas lunch and class parties will take place during the final week of term which will be beautifully rounded off with our Christingle Service at St Peter's Church led by our Dragonfly Class (Year 6s).

Our values for December are 'generosity' and 'compassion', so apt for this time of year when we encourage our children to think beyond their hopes and dreams for Christmas and consider the needs of others less fortunate. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you a wonderful, blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Staff Team

Team Vicar's Letter

Incarnation : what does it mean?

It means 'becoming flesh'.

It means vast God in vulnerable child.

It means Almighty God born in dark and dirt.

It means God of all people cradled by one.

It means God thirsting for milk and comfort. God learning to walk and speak. God scraping knees and making friends. God learning to read and think.

It means God able to laugh until his sides ache.

It means God able to cry and hurt. God open to rejection and insult. God sharing pain.

It means God able to touch and heal.

It means the sick are embraced, children are blessed, women are valued, the shamed are forgiven, the losers become winners, the friendless are welcomed, the hungry are fed, the challenged are comforted, the comfortable are challenged, the dead find life.

It means Emmanuel, God with us.

It means prophets speak truth.

It means waiting does end.

It means hope does come.

It means Love.

Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 ST READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL
DEC 7TH	ADVENT 2	HOLY COMMUNION with ST. PETER'S KIDS CLUB	9.30 am	LUCY DALLAS & COLIN HULL	ISAIAH 40:1-11	2 PETER 3:8-15a	MARK 1;1-8
		CHORAL EVENSONG	6.30 pm	MICK SIMMONS	1 KINGS 22:1-28	ROMANS 15:4-13	
14th	ADVENT 3	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30 am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD & MICK SIMMONS	ISAIAH 61:1-4, 8-End	1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-24	JOHN 1:6-8, 19-28
21st	ADVENT 4	FAMILY SERVICE With NATIVITY	11.15 am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	LUKE 1:26-38		
		CANDLELIT CAROL SERVICE	6.30 pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
24th	CHRISTMAS EVE	CRIB SERVICE	3.30 pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
		MIDNIGHT MASS By CANDLE-LIGHT	11.30 pm	RICHARD SYMS	ISAIAH 52:7-10	HEBREWS 1:1-12	JOHN 1:1-14
25th	CHRISTMAS DAY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30 am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ISAIAH 62:6-End	TITUS 3:4-7	LUKE 2:1-7, 8-12
28th	HOLY INNOCENTS	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30 am	LUCY DALLAS	JEREMIAH 31:15-17	1 CORINTHIANS 1:26-29	MATTHEW 2:13-18

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

ROTAS

SERVER	READER	SIDESMEN	COFFEE	FLOWERS	CLEANER
DEC 7th DAVID	CHRIS PAYNE	NICKY HADLEY RUTH SHARP	QUEENIE SIMMONS	ADVENT	GLORIA KERSEY
	LINDA ADAMS	MARK SWANN NICK WHITING			
14th PAULINE	DEBBIE EXTON	NICKY HADLEY ROSEMARY NODDER	GLORIA KERSEY	ADVENT	PAULINE SPRING
21ST KEITH	RUTH KEARNS	MARY GREGG MAVIS HAGGAR	ALISON BARNFIELD	CHRISTMAS	CHRISTMAS
		PAULINE BROWN GRAHAM SPRING			
24th DAVID		MALCOLM SLAUGHTER PETE JOHNSON			
	KAREN SHAW	KEITH BARNFIELD NICK WHITING			
25th PAULINE	PAULINE SPRING	LINDA ADAMS GRAHAM SPRING			
28th DAVID	MAVIS HAGGAR	LINDA & IVOR WILLIAMS	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	CHRISTMAS	DOROTHY SWANN

St Peter's News

During 2014, along with millions around the world, St Peter's Church commemorated the sacrifice made by so many in all walks of life in the First World War, both as part of the wonderful WW1 weekend exhibition held earlier this year and by our own Remembrance Day service on Sunday 9th November. The children from Tewin Cowper School attended a two minute silence around the War Memorial on 11th November which was followed by a service in Church led by the 'Honeybees' class.

On 6th November the 'Butterfly' Class came along to learn about St Peter and on 19th 'Dragonfly' class came along to learn about the Churchyard. Our Churchyard is beautiful and very well maintained by Pete Johnson and various other helpers, so thanks to her for all the work she puts in and to everyone else who helps from time to time. Both those who visit graves and those who walk through, find it a peaceful haven.

On 23rd November we welcomed a speaker from the charity 'Embrace the Middle East' who gave a very interesting talk on the work of that organization in such a troubled part of the world. This charity was also the recipient of our Harvest collection which went to their Olive Tree Project in Palestine.

By the time you read this another Christmas Fair will have taken place in the Village Hall in aid of St Peter's funds and thanks go to all who helped and those who supported it.

Unsurprisingly, December promises to be another month of activity and anticipation in the approach to the celebration of the birth of Jesus. At St Peter's we will hold our annual Carol and Crib services and will welcome the children from our Story Club (held after school on Fridays) to perform a version of the Christmas Nativity.

Details of the full range of Christmas services across the Welwyn team will be available shortly.

PB

BAPTISM

November 16th Evie Ann Ashton

MEMORIAL SERVICE

November 12th Alf Yates

HOW GENEROUS!

Once again the congregation at St Peter's has responded generously to appeals to support special charities.

It is very fitting that in the 100th year after the start of WW1 the collection at the Remembrance Sunday service in St Peter's on 9th November was an all-time record. We had a very good congregation and with anticipated Gift Aid tax recoveries, the collection going to the Royal British Legion is £383. This is £100 more than last year and by far a record sum for St Peter's.

Thanks go to all those who donated so freely to another worthy cause. There will be further opportunities to support selected charities in the Christmas period and we hope that people will again dig deep to help them.

Graham Spring

The church will be floodlit on Wednesday 24th December in memory of Mark Lewis Woodroff (24/12/2013)

With love from Ruth, Peter, Ann, Paul, Lesley & family & all

Children's Christmas Craft and Fun

Saturday 20th December 2 - 4pm St. Peter's Church

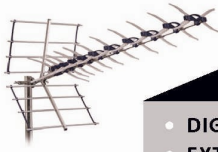
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St Peter's Kids Club

St Peter's Kids Club runs on the first Sunday in the month, alongside the 9.30am Holy Communion service. We chat, tell stories, do craft and play. At present it takes place in the vestry.

If you know of any children /young families who may be interested, please tell them about it. We would love to see them there!

For further details please contact Anne Land 01438 715166 or turn up on the **7th December**



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Tewin Wood - From Forest to Prestigious Housing Development.

If Tewin had existed some 500,000 years ago, it would have been situated a little north of the ancient course of the River Thames (before the last Ice Age pushed the River southwards to its present course). The earliest inhabitants of England would have arrived at isolated points along the south coast from the European mainland.

Some 4,000 years ago, early Neolithic man inhabited the Tewin area and flint implements have been found in the vicinity of Tewin Wood.

Other early finds in the area are a large Bronze Age beaker c1900BC, axe heads, bronze ingots and a spearhead 2300-800BC, and Iron Age pottery from about 100BC-50AD. Later Roman settlement is well recorded by the Baths at Welwyn and the lesser known road running South West to North East just north of the Tewin Parish boundary, at Sedge Green off Coltsfoot Lane.

Amongst the earliest documents of the immediate area is one of the first Tewin Charity, when, in 1334 a Licence was granted from Philip Pelytot to Roger de Luda to give lands of the Prior of Wymondley to found a Monastery at the site of the present Parish Church. This "Wymondley", later recorded as "Whimbry", was the site of a Manor House adjacent to Tewin Wood. Some years later, this building was demolished and a new Manor House, "Claret House", was built. This in its turn was demolished in the 1700's and what are presently locally known as "the Dutch Houses" at Sewell's Orchard, built on this site in the 1930's. Old plans show that the original name was Tewin Big Wood, and names parts of Tewin Wood as "Punchetts Wood" to the west and south, "Swanhill Wood" to the south east "Synods" to the east and "Great Oakcroft Wood" to the north.

In the early 1800's the first residence, "Keepers House", (now know as "Keepers Cottage" in Desborough Drive"), was built in Punchetts Wood. The 1881 Census shows the occupants as Joseph Howe, Gamekeeper, aged 25, his wife Ellen aged 27 and his two daughters Jessie aged 1 and baby Francis of 3 months. Becoming part of the extensive estates of the 7th Earl Cowper in 1870, the wood provided timber and fuel for their Panshanger House and was a good game hunting area, and remained in that ownership until the death of the Earl's widow in March 1913, when the property passed through marriage connections to Lady Desborough and her husband Lord Desborough.

Lord Desborough in turn, sold the approximately 150 acres of Tewin Wood for £9,300 in August 1925 to a four-man consortium. Before this time the game rights had been retained by Sir Otto Beit of Tewin Water House together with "Keepers Cottage" until 1st February 1921. The consortium was made up of Benjamin Arthur Brown, Francis Alfred Brown, Stephen Charles Edward Brown and Edward Charles Elsmore. The "Browns" were timber merchants and felled and extracted much of the timber. It appears part of this family occupied "Keepers Cottage" and had steam traction engines based there. The agent for the estate was Albert Bishop who resided at "Holborn Cottage", Knebworth Station. It does not appear to have developed the Wood until it was sold to the Homelands Garden Estate in January 1932 with the intention of selling plots for residential use. The sales prospectus describes the Tewin Wood area as "the quiet woodlands, winding lanes, stretches of meadow, and streams that thread their course between gentle alternatives of hill, and dale, stamping Hertfordshire with inimitable grace". It goes on, "to the artist, book-lover, musician, the city worker, who desires emancipation from the tyranny of mud, bricks, and motor, there are spots, which furnish all they desire for moderate terms".

Ben Roberts.

Tennis Club News



While the spring and summer is the time the bulk of the tournaments are played at the tennis club, we also enter the Datchworth Autumn League with a single men's team. Captained by Tim Bell, Tewin were comfortable in Division 8, finishing in the middle ground after some tough matches, which means, of course, that there will be no change of division for 2015, and players can breathe a small sigh of relief.

It's hard to miss the loss of trees to the side of the tennis courts and car park at Upper Green. Even if they were largely Leylandii, they provided good screening between the new houses in Carrington Grange and the courts. The tennis club will shortly be planting some young trees along the boundary, which will, in time, soften the landscape once again.

Please don't think that tennis has now stopped for the winter. There is a regular men's "RATS" turn-up-and-play at 11am on Saturday mornings, the courts are available during all daylight hours and coaching continues with Steve Hunt. Steve is your contact for anything club related: 07912 075651.

Tewin DriveSafe Scheme 2015

In 2015 Tewin will participate in the Herts Police DriveSafe campaign. This will use a speed-monitor camera at different locations on certain days to check the speed of cars going through the village and aim to improve speed-awareness. Cars which the camera logs as above the speed limit will receive a written advisory from Herts police (or stronger penalty if persistent speeding).

Currently we have 7 volunteers to periodically man the speed-camera and need 2 more to help with occasional 1-hour monitoring teams of 3 people. To help, please contact Penny Deeble-Rogers or Gerry Murphy on drivesafe.tewin@gmail.com



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Tewin Stores

The Post Office is back!!

We are very pleased to say that everything should all be up and running by the time you read this. Opening hours will be Mondays 1.30 – 3.30pm, Wednesdays and Fridays 9.30 – 11.30am. We are grateful to the Post Office and shop committee for getting it all started again just in time for Christmas. Sometimes you may have noticed that some products are missing from the shop shelves. Occasionally this is because our supplier is out of stock of some items; other times this is because it is only possible to buy some things in larger quantities than we require for a small shop like ours. We would like to try to overcome some of these problems by using a Cash and Carry company in Watford or Luton. Is there anyone in the village with a van or a large car who would be able to give their time once or twice a month to take our manager to stock up on such items? Ideally if we could find several people, we could start a rota. If you can help in this way please contact the shop.

Last month many friends attended the memorial service for Alfred Yates. Some of you may not have met him as he was a very quiet chap, so you may also not have noticed how much he did in the village. He was always in the shop doing all kinds of maintenance and helping his wife Maureen with the plants. He was also responsible for the electrical installations at the Classic Car shows and Carols on the Green, and he wore a special red coat at the carols every year come rain or shine.

We hope many of you will have enjoyed lunch in the shop on Saturday 15th November. Please look out for other promotions in the shop in the run up to Christmas. Don't forget you can order fresh fruit and vegetables, bread, sausages and bacon. Trussells the butcher visits us for an hour every Friday afternoon from about 2.30pm, and they will be taking orders for turkeys and gammon and other meats for Christmas.

Normal shop opening hours Mon-Friday 8.30 – 4.30pm Sat 8.30 – 12 Sun 9 – 12 noon. Please look out for notices of opening hours during the Christmas holidays.

Thank you for your support of the shop.

We wish you a Happy Christmas and a Good New Year.

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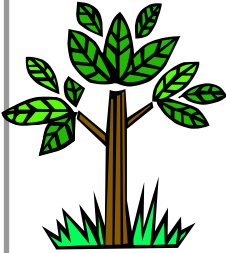
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Friends of Tewin



Our next event is "Carols around the Christmas Tree" on Lower Green. It will be held on Thursday 18th December and starts at 6.00pm. We will have hot Mulled Wine, Hot Chocolate, Mince Pies and cakes to help keep the winter chills at bay!

We are thrilled that once again this year Father Christmas and Mrs Christmas will be coming to join us. They should arrive around 6.15pm and they can only stay a short time because they have other children to visit too. We are also excited to tell you that our regular brass band will be coming and they will lead us as we sing some of our favourite Carols.

Members of St Peter's Church will hold a raffle which will be drawn at 6.40pm The proceeds will go to the charity "Shelter".

Please come and join us, this is a lovely family event which we hold every year on Lower Green and has been enjoyed by so many people over the years.

So, here are the important times for you:-

Event starts on Lower Green at 6.00pm

Father Christmas arrives at 6.15pm and stays for about 20 minutes.

Raffle will be drawn at 6.40pm

We ask you to please keep your children very close to you during the dark evening. The roads around Lower Green can be very busy and the children's safety is always a worry to us.

If the weather is bad, we will hold the event in Tewin Cowper School Hall.

The Friends of Tewin Committee thank you for all your support during 2014.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Anne Hall, Chairman – Friends of Tewin



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Friends of Danesbury & Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital

The Friends held their Annual General Meeting at the end of October. At that meeting the accounts for 2013 were reviewed and our Chairman provided an update on the progress of the charity in the current year. In essence the message was that the Friends, thanks to all our supporters, continues in excellent health and well able to provide the support needed by Danesbury Neurological Centre and QVM Hospital.

The Trustees were delighted to welcome David Law, Chief Executive of the Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust who are responsible for the running of both establishments. David made a point of thanking us for all the support which we have provided both past and present. His thanks are directed to all our volunteers and supporters without whom we could not exist.

As has often been reported the purpose of Danesbury has changed radically. However it is good to know that it is now able to provide care of the highest order to the maximum number of patients in need of Danesbury's specialist skills.

The Christmas holiday is almost upon us but it is not too late to take advantage of bargains to be found in our Welwyn shop. There is literally 'something for everyone'. And if you are in need of some Xmas cards – where all the money goes to the charity – we have just the thing!

It just remains for the Friends to thank you for all the support we have received from so many people in the past year, and to wish you a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

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Bridge at Tewin Pavilion

There will be bridge at Tewin Pavilion on

Thursday 11th December 2014 starting at 2:15pm and finishing at 5pm.

There will be a charge of £2 per person to defray expenses.

Steve Stott tel: 01438 717680 E-mail: Stephen.stott@which.net

Isabel Hospice

Wednesday 3rd December 2014

Christmas Carol Singing in the Howard Centre

3.45pm – 5.30pm

All welcome at this musical collection by Our Lady's School, Welwyn Garden City. From nursery age to year six, this lovely carol concert is in aid of the Hospice and the school PTA.

Sunday 7th December

Santa Run, Stanborough Lakes, North Side

11.00am

Hatfield Rotary want you and your family and friends to join in the fun of dressing as Santa (adults, teens) or Rudolph (kids) and running, trotting or just walking the course at Stanborough Lakes. You enter, and the Rotary supply the Santa Suits and Rudolph antlers and the remainder of your Entry Fees go to support Isabel Hospice and HAD.

<http://santa.hatfieldrotary.org.uk/index.html>

Friday 12th December 7pm – 10.30pm

A Night With The Overtures, Presdales School, Hoe Lane, Ware, SG12 9NX

A great evening of live music from the best '60s tribute band around!

Book early as last year was a sell-out gig! £18 per person.

This is not a seated event, to leave plenty of room in the hall for dancing.

Contact Beth Harding – 01707 382500. Tickets online at

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Tuesday 16th December

Roselands Choir, Howard Centre, Welwyn Garden City

10.00 – 14.00

Roseland School choir will be singing in the Howard Centre, in W.G.C. with a collection in aid of Isabel Hospice. Please pop along and support them, and why not do a bit of Christmas shopping at the same time.

Thursday 18th December

Carols in the Chapel, The Chapel, Haileybury, Hertford Heath, SG13 7NU

19.00 – 22.00

A night of singalong Carols in The Chapel at Haileybury College. Festive refreshments provided in the dining hall and the winner of the Car Draw will be announced. £15pp. Contact Beth Hardy 01707 382500 or get your tickets online at www.isabelhospice.org.uk

Dates for your diary this month

Tue	Tewin School	7-9.30pm	Table Tennis 7-8pm Juniors 8-9.30pm Adults
Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30-11am	Parent and Toddler Group
Wed	Rose & Crown	9pm	Quiz Night
Thur	Lower Green	9.25am	Footpath walks of Tewin
Thur	Memorial Hall	1.30-4.30pm	50+ Club
Wed 3rd, 17th and 31st	Lower Green	2.15-3.45pm	Mobile Library
Thurs 11th	Pavilion	2.15-5.00pm	Bridge
Sun 7th	St Peter's Church	9.30am	St Peter's Kids Club
Wed 10th	Tewin School	9.30am	Christmas Play
Thurs 11th	Tewin School	6pm	Christmas Play
Mon 15th	Memorial Hall	7pm	Screen on The Green - 'Gigi'
Thurs 18th	Lower Green	6pm	Carols Round the Tree
Sat 20th	St Peter's	2-4pm	Children's Craft & Fun
Sun 21st	St Peter's	6.30pm	Candlelit Carol Service
Wed 24th	St Peter's	3.30pm	Crib Service
Wed 31st	Memorial Hall	8pm	New Year's Eve with Paul Griggs

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