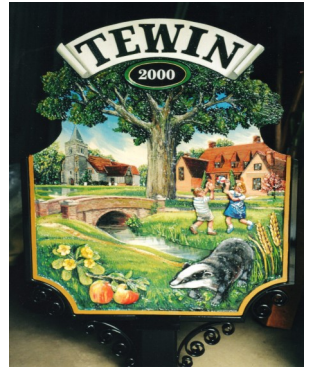




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Sunflowers in Tewin

The New Tewin Stores Kitchen



Welcome to the October 2023 edition of the Tewin Magazine. Our front page picture, taken by Mary Gregg, shows the sunflower field at Tewinbury Farm. Page 2 shows the lovely new kitchen at Tewin Stores. I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine.

Events this month are:

Autumn Jumble Sale on 7th (p6) and the October Messy Church on 15th (p20).

Tewin Stores are serving Sausage and Mash for lunch on 21st (p29) and Screen on the Green is showing 'The Lost King' on 16th (p10).

The Technology Advice Sessions are on 5th and 19th (p27).

Slightly further afield Digswell WI meet on 19th (p9) and WGC Orchestra are performing on 15th (p30).

Other events can be found in Dates For Your Diary (p33).

Don't forget that British Summer Time ends at 2am on Sunday 29th October and clocks should be moved back by one hour.

Trussells Butcher's Van is outside the shop on Fridays from 1.30-2.45pm.

Call 01438 812304 if you wish to order in advance.

A Mobile Fish Van is at Burnham Green on Wednesdays from **12-12.30pm**. Call Kelvin on 07847 176847 for orders.

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

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Tewin Parish Council



Orchard Road Resurfacing

Tewin Parish Council would like to thank Herts County Councillor Ken Crofton for pushing through the road resurfacing at the top of Orchard Road at its junction with Burnham Green Road which was completed on 8th September. Herts Highways did an excellent job and it is a huge improvement.

Tree Works

Further tree works have been completed by Rob Cooper Tree Surgery in 100 Year Wood, Margery Green, Margery Lane, Church Green at the entrance to St Peter's Church and at Lousehole Bottom on Hertford Road.

Footpath 11 Works

John McGuckin has completed the works on FP11 to improve the surface and drainage of FP11 by 100 Year Wood where it is particularly prone to flooding and consequently extremely muddy.

Pavilion Drainage Works

John McGuckin has completed the works at the Pavilion in order to improve the drainage away from the Pavilion patio.

Online Banking

Tewin Parish Council has now switched to online payments instead of cheques.

PLEASE USE THE SATURDAY COMMUNITY MINIBUS

The Minibus visits WGC and Morrisons leaving at 9.30am on Saturdays from the Rose & Crown.

You can be picked up and dropped off at any safe location on the route so just notify Ann when making your booking. To book your place call Ann Kevis on 01438 717473

NEXT MEETING – TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL

Monday 2nd October 2023 at 7.45pm

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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TEWIN JUMBLE SALE – TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL

2pm till 4.30pm on 7th October

We need more jumble! If you have already given us your jumble, we thank you, but we need lots more please! It's thanks to your generosity that our village Jumble Sales are such a huge success. **Here's how you can donate:** If you can bring your jumble to the Memorial Hall, please telephone Todd Canton on **07867 803301** or Jim Hall on **01438 718505** who will arrange to meet you there.

Alternatively, on **Wed 4th, Thurs 5th or Fri 6th October**, if you are unable to take the items to the Hall yourself, you can contact one of our team of collectors to arrange a collection.

For School Lane/The Hazels/Churchfields-**Jim&Anne Hall, 718505**;
Lower Green/Hertford Rd-**David&Jules Howson, 717339**; Cannons
Meadow/Grass Warren-**Barry Turner, 717403**; Godfries/Harwood Closes-
Mike Purser, 714148 or **Gillian Bonwick, 717756**; Archers Green-**Nick
Whiting, 717230**; Burnham Green Rd –**Geoff&Sue Whitbourn, 798221**;
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Upper Green/Orchard Road/Sevenacres/Tewin Close/Badgers Close/
Warrengate/Tewin Water –**David&Deirdre Hatt, 798827**

The Memorial Hall will also be open to receive your Jumble in the afternoon and evening before the Sale and on the morning of the Sale as follows:

Friday 6th October, from 2pm-4pm and 7.30pm-9pm

Saturday 7th October - before 12 noon.

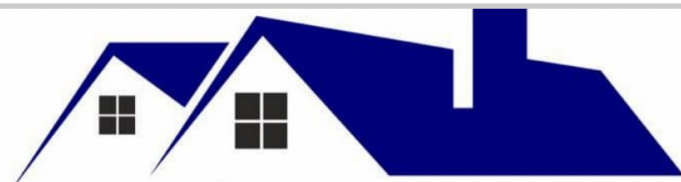
We no longer accept large items of furniture such as bulky televisions, 3-piece suites, wardrobes, kitchen appliances etc. Please remember, if your items will not fit into an average Estate Car, they are too large for the Jumble Sale.

Can you help us for an hour on Friday afternoon/evening or on Saturday? We rely entirely on volunteers to sort through the jumble, set up the gazebos and work on the stalls during the sale. If you are available, come along and join the gang!

We will be serving hot food and drinks from the barbeque at the rear of the Memorial Hall.

We look forward to seeing you at the Jumble Sale and hope you pick up a bargain or two!

All profit from the Jumble Sale goes towards the upkeep of the Memorial Hall.



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On The Farm

Our cereal harvest finished on the 17th of August, full report next month. It was so nice to have a week of warm weather to finish the wheat.

In May we sowed several areas of bird mix, with sunflowers.

Around the farm these areas look superb, especially the 5 acres of just sunflowers by the River Mimram. These crops have just loved the wet warm summer, the walkers have loved to stop and take photos.



We also planted an area of Phacelia next to our beehives.

The bees 🐝 have loved this plant.

Ivor Williams.

JOIN DIGSWELL WI (WOMEN'S INSTITUTE)



Come along and join one of our meetings held in
The Village Hall, Digswell at 7.30pm

On the following dates:

Thursday 21st September

Thursday 19th October

Thursday 16th November

Thursday 21st December

For further information

Email katestabler@talktalk.net

British Summer Time

British Summer Time (BST) is the practice of advancing the clocks by one hour in the UK during summer in an attempt to make better use of the day-light hours, reduce energy consumption, and improve health and well-being. BST was first introduced by the **Summer Time Act 1916**, following a campaign by builder William Willett but sadly he died before seeing his idea implemented.

Since 22nd October 1995 BST begins at 1am on the last Sunday of March and ends at 2am on the last Sunday of October, in sync with the EU.

During the Second World War, the UK used **British Double Summer Time (BDST)**, which was two hours ahead of GMT.

Campaigners, including RoSPA (the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents) and environmental campaigners, 10:10, have made recommendations that British Summer Time be maintained during the winter months, and that a "double summertime" be applied to the current British Summer Time period, putting the UK one hour ahead of GMT during winter, and two hours ahead during summer. These proposals are opposed by many residents of Scotland and Northern Ireland as it would mean that in northern Britain and Northern Ireland the winter sunrise would not occur until 10am or even later. It would also put Northern and Southern Ireland in different time zones.

Screen On The Green

On Monday 16th October we will be showing “*The Lost King*” (2022). It tells the true story of Philippa Langley, an amateur historian who defies the academic establishments in her efforts to find the remains of King Richard III that were lost for 500 years.

Directed by Stephen Frears with Sally Hawkins in the lead role and Steve Coogan as her estranged husband, it's a fascinating tale that made headline news at the time. There has been controversy over the depiction of the academic archaeologists in the film but it makes for an entertaining story of resilience and faith with some interesting revelations about Richard III.

Future dates for the diary:

20th November: *A Man Called Ove* (2015) Swedish with subtitles

11th December: *Miracle on 34th St* (1947)

Our provisional programme for 2024 includes

“*The Witches of Eastwick*” (1987), “*Mildred Pierce*” (1945),

“*Bohemian Rhapsody*” (2018) and “*Living*” (2022).

MONDAY 16 OCTOBER Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start.
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Marie St Pier



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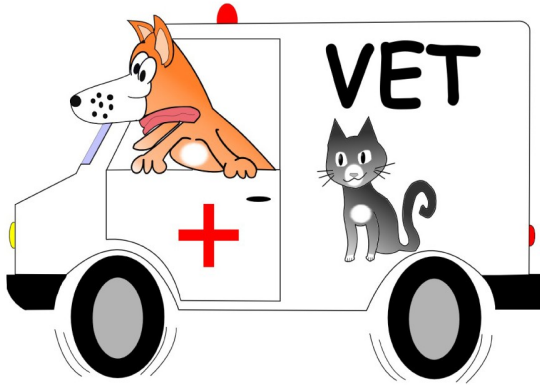
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Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2023

Remembrance Sunday this year is on the 12th November, and prior to that volunteers will be out doing house to house collections.

As usual, we will be asking local enterprises to have counter top collections. St Peter's Church and Tewin Cowper School are also involved.

Last year we raised a total of £2,639.

Society is becoming increasingly cashless, which makes life difficult for the traditional collecting tin. The Poppy Appeal has been issuing cashless terminals, but out of over 4,500 issued last year, over 1,000 did not raise enough donations to cover their cost. This year I have only received one cashless terminal, which will make it difficult to share it amongst a dozen collectors. Last year, cash made up 87% of the national total of the Poppy Appeal. It would help if you have some cash handy.

Everything that we collect is delivered to the Royal British Legion. All the local people involved with the appeal are unpaid volunteers.

Thank you.

Keith St Pier

Poppy Appeal Organiser EEC20

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supported by The Tewin Memorial Hall Committee

Have your say on the future of the Family Centre Service in Hertfordshire

The Family Centre Service is for children, young people, their parents, families and carers. They work with local midwives, GPs, health visitors, family support, childcare providers and community groups providing a range of opportunities and support.

In 2024/2025, the Council's contracts for the Family Centre Service are due to finish and we need to design how the Family Support Service will work from January 2025. We want to hear your thoughts about the proposals.

The consultation will close on the 10th October and you can complete the consultation here:

<https://tinyurl.com/Family-Services-Consultation>

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Tues 12.30pm until 16.00pm

Fri 9.30am until 13.00pm

Tewin Stores Post Office Open:

Mon 13.30pm until 15.30pm

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

August 2023

Here's confirmation of the draw results for August

1st	£49	Peter Beale, Haywards Heath
2nd	£29	Ethel Sach, Cowpers Way
3rd	£10	Gerry Murphy, Godfries Close
3rd	£10	Jennifer Fishwick, Godfries Close

If you think we might have an out of date address for you, please let us know by emailing personal@lisabove.com.

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Application forms and more information available from:

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- Tewin Memorial Hall
- Tewin Stores
- www.tewinvillagehall.co.uk/supporters-club

St Peter's Christmas Bazaar Saturday 25th November 12 – 3pm

With autumn in the air, it won't be long before the St Peter's Christmas Bazaar is upon us.

It is on the last Saturday of November, the 25th, from 12 until 3pm in the Memorial Hall, with light lunches available, so please put the date in your diary.

Donations Wanted

We rely entirely on donations and we would appreciate things like:

- **High quality gift items** (especially in original packaging)
- Good quality **jewellery** – this is one of our best stalls so please look out for any old pieces that you no longer wear
- **Tombola and raffle prizes** such as bottles, boxes of chocolates, bath and shower gift sets
- **Christmas decorations** in “as new” condition
- **Christmas** wrapping paper, tags, ribbons and cards in “as new” condition
- Unwanted **toys** in good condition, including **teddies** for the teddy tombola

Please have a look to see if you have anything suitable to donate (but no jumble please!). Good quality items are really appreciated.

Nearer the time we will be looking for:

- **Seasonal plants** such as cyclamen, poinsettias, mistletoe, holly/ivy arrangements and table decorations
- **Home-made cakes, mince pies, Christmas biscuits, and jams and chutneys**

There is a box in the back of the church for donations, or if you need help and would like items collected, please contact:

Vicky de Naeyer on **07880 552150** or victoria.denaeyer@icloud.com.

If you would like to help on the day or in the preparations, please let us know. Thank you in anticipation - your support is much appreciated by the whole team at St Peter's.

Team Vicar's Letter

This year I'm growing pumpkins. Giant ones. Purely for pleasure. There is something immensely satisfying about watching the crawling tendrils of the plant extend beyond the veg patch border and lay their strange orange globes along the path and into the flowerbeds. So far the plant has laid three of its fruits – and I have set aside a specific purpose for each. One pumpkin has already been harvested, small and sweet enough to turn it into soup. One will remain to get as big as it possibly can. But the third one will be cut and carved in time for Halloween, to act as a home for the important light that will scare away everything dark and ghoulish.

Christians have often been a bit unsure about Halloween, but I rather like it. In fact I think it has a useful purpose. It's helpful to remember that the name derives from the church calendar – All Hallow's Eve. It is the night before All Hallows, otherwise known as All Saints Day. Therefore it is the last chance, tradition tells us, that evil spirits can come out and cause trouble before the Saints burst in with the morning and darkness is completely blown away.

And although the tradition of trick or treating needs to be managed with consideration for others, allowing children the opportunity to head off into the night and play with the idea of fear and frights is, I think, a useful thing as they learn that there is scary stuff in the world, but that it need not have the final word. In fact in many countries it is an opportunity to taunt and mock the evil, reminding us that it does not have the hold on us that it would desire. Halloween reminds us that evil is fragile and short-lived, the light of the Saints is far more powerful than the darkest thing on this earth.

This year there will be a pumpkin on the Rectory driveway, shining its light into the darkness. Darkness and fear are part of this world and we cannot avoid them but All Hallows and its eve reminds us that whatever we fear, whatever is dark, whatever we'd rather hide from – the glory of God and his Saints overcomes it all.

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 ST READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL
OCT 1st	17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSAN MARSH	EZEKIEL 18: 1-4, 25—End	PHILIPPI- ANS 2: 1-13	MAT- THEW 21: 23-32
8th	18th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	CHRISTIE GILFEATHER	ISAIAH 5: 1-7	PHILIPPI- ANS 3: 4b-14	MAT- THEW 21: 33— End
15th	19th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	SAID MORNING PRAYER	9.30am	EDWARD CARDALE	PROV- ERBS 3: 1-18	1 JOHN 3: 1-15	
		FOLLOWED BY MESSY CHURCH	3pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
		EVENSONG	6.30pm	DAVID MUNCHIN	ISAIAH 50: 4-10	LUKE 13: 22-30	
22nd	20th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ISAIAH 45: 1-7	1 THESSA- LONIANS 1: 1-10	MAT- THEW 22: 15-22
29th	LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	CHRISTIE GILFEATHER	LEVITI- CUS 19: 1-2, 15-18	1 THESSA- LONIANS 2: 1-8	MAT- THEW 22: 34— End

Service of Said Evening Prayer is held every Monday at 5pm
Services marked with a * will be streamed

ROTAS

SERVER	READER	SIDESMEN	COFFEE	FLOWERS	CLEANER
OCT 1st ALEX	SPIKE NICHOLSON		PETE JOHNSON	SUE WHITBOURN	DI BRADLEY
8th ANGELA	MARY GREGG		MARY GREGG	PAULINE SPRING	BELL RINGERS
15th	ELAINE FOWLER		QUEENIE SIMMONS	MAVIS HAGGAR	ANGELA WILLIAMS
	MAVIS HAGGAR				
22nd PAULINE	NICKY HADLEY		ROZ HOLDEN	JANET ROBINS	PETE JOHNSON
29th DAVID	PAUL CROTTY		JANET ROBINS	CLARE RAWLINS	MARY GREGG

Thank you to all our flower arrangers for the wonderful Harvest Festival displays. Thank you also to Brian Evers whose donation to the Flower Fund at Harvest time was in memory of his late wife, Adrienne, and to mark their 63rd wedding anniversary.

St Peter's News

The Summer Evensongs during August have been a delight. Our Rector, The Rev'd Dr David Munchin, has led a "scratch" choir at each of the services, as well as at (at least) two of them managing to play the organ too. Parishioners from each of the Welwyn churches have enjoyed gathering together to sing in the choir and be a little stretched musically. It has also been really good to visit each of the churches in turn – they each have their own charm and interest.

And then there have been the pictures and the talks which have been so varied and so interesting. It has been good to welcome some outside speakers as well as some of our own people in the Welwyn team. Tewin staged the last Summer Evensong and welcomed folk afterwards to wine, juice, and nibbles for a convivial chat to finish off what has been a most successful series.

Our last Sunday in August was also the day on which we held our Annual Joint Service with All Saints, Datchworth as part of the Burnham Green Festival. There was a good turnout of Tewin, Datchworth and Burnham Green residents for the service, which was led very amiably by one of our curates in the Welwyn team, The Rev'd Ryan Gilfeather.

Earlier in the month, Susannah led a large party of people, and dogs, on a rather drizzly Poetry Pilgrimage across the fields from Datchworth church to Tewin, via Burnham Green Village Hall. Last year a similar outing was held on a scorching hot day. This year the weather was not bright but nevertheless this was a thoroughly enjoyable event reading the poetry of R S Thomas, with commentaries by Susannah, along the way.

I am pleased to report that our wonky gatepost has been replaced this month and the hole in the middle of the drive by the war memorial has been filled in, in between showers and before the weather gets bad.

Our second Messy Church, in August, was very well attended. The theme was *The Water of Life* and we were pleased to see children and families from all around the Tewin area. May this go from strength to strength. This has replaced our Family Services on the third Sunday in the month which took place in the morning, when so many families are busy encouraging their young folk to take exercise at sports. Messy Church occupies the 3-4.30pm slot in the afternoon when families might find they need to amuse young

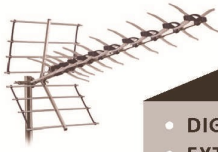
folk. The theme for September was *a Harvest Celebration*. The main service for Harvest was on the last Sunday in September and I shall cover this in the next Churchwarden's news.

During September, Susannah has outlined the shortfall in the church finances. People have many misconceptions about local Parish churches, not least that they are very wealthy. Here at Tewin we do indeed try to manage our affairs within our budgets, and we always reckon to have some savings to cover immediate and urgent expenses. Unlike some parishes elsewhere in Britain, we always pay our share of costs for the Welwyn Team, including those due to the Diocese for clergy and other costs. We have also been very pleased to receive special donations towards the costs of recent repairs and maintenance of our 17th century clock, mostly 17th century bells, and the upgrade to our lighting system. Nonetheless, a combination of much increased running costs and lower income mean a likely loss of around £10,000 this year so we have sent out a special appeal during September to ask that regular donors give a little more and if others feel inclined, even in these difficult times, to give money to the church, it will be much appreciated. We have our Quinquennial Inspection of the church coming up later this year which may find us shelling out for other repairs and maintenance. So, thank you to everybody who has kindly donated to the church as a result of this appeal.

I hope you have had a good summer in reasonable health and maybe with a short break or two. However, if you are ill or in poor spirits or if you are recently bereaved, do get in touch with Susannah or any in the Welwyn team who are always there to give support.

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Tewin Tennis Club

By the time you read this the nights will be drawing in and evening tennis will be over until April. But we enjoyed some fabulous weather in the early part of September, which to an extent alleviated the long spells of rain and damp during July and August.

Last night I and a few others enjoyed our regular weekly group coaching session with Josh Cozens. Open to all members, it's an hour's worth of coaching tips mixed in with lots of hitting balls. I find it really valuable, while being fun at the same time.

Hopefully Josh can move the session from 6pm Thursdays to a new time that promises more daylight over the winter – we'll let you know. Meanwhile, if you want to get onto the list, send me a message and I will put you on the WhatsApp group for updates.

Our Tiger Turf court surfaces are now approaching six months old, with weekly brushing by club members keeping it in good shape. The next challenge is clearing the leaves as autumn kicks in – we have a leaf blower to ease things along, and we ask club members to chip in an hour or two each season to help. Again, get in touch with me and I'll get you on the rota.

The Datchworth Autumn League starts shortly. Unfortunately we could not pull together enough players to make a Tewin entry into the ladies section viable, but the men's entry is on. And big news for you oldies out there! The Herts League matches change from over-65 to over-70 next year, an impressive reflection of the enthusiasm there still is for getting out there and playing competitive tennis, no matter what your age.

Finally, a reminder that we have our quiz night on Friday 10 Nov – get the date in your diary for a night of much fun.

Peter Burgess
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Tewin Life In Tudor And Stuart Times

Have you ever thought how Tewin parishioners lived in the 16th and 17th centuries?

This little book contains wills and inventories of some residents who lived there at that time which give some clues.

When residents died their goods and chattels were valued for probate and these items are listed in inventories.

Details reveal the layout of their houses and contents such as furniture, cooking utensils, clothing, personal possessions and lots more. As a farming community, crops and livestock feature prominently.



How did this come about? In 1983 a group of residents from Tewin and Datchworth met in Datchworth Village Hall to be instructed in the art of reading old handwriting. The leader of these sessions was Lionel Munby, a local historian. He used old Datchworth and Tewin documents as examples and he encouraged interpretation as well.

Photocopies of these documents have been stored in Datchworth Museum for many years. These formed the basis of this publication in collaboration with Datchworth Museum.

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- 20th October 1818** the western border between Canada and the United States was defined as a line from the furthest northwest part of Lake of the Woods to the 49th parallel and thence west to the Rocky Mountains
- 4th October 1883** The first Orient Express train left Paris for Constantinople (now known as Istanbul)
- 6th October 1927** Warner Brothers showed the first feature length talking picture, *The Jazz Singer*, starring Al Jolson, in New York
- 19th October 1970** British Petroleum announced it had struck oil in the UK's sector of the North Sea
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Friends of Danesbury and QVM

In our article last month we explained something of the history of the two hospitals we have in our midst and what happens at them. I thought you might like to know a little more. Patients at the Danesbury hospital suffer from a range of neurological conditions, many are young and as I am sure you can imagine, have been devastated by what has happened to them. Although both the hospitals are part of the Herts Community NHS Trust funding is always an issue so during the summer the trustees of the Friends of Danesbury and the QVM Hospital charity have been busy reviewing funding requests from doctors and other clinicians at the hospitals, ensuring that the revenue from our high street shop is used for the benefit of patients. The trustees agreed to fund several computerised GripAble gaming devices which the senior occupational therapist at Danesbury explained could be used independently so therapists could attend to other patients, were fun for patients to use and helped with upper body and mental co-ordination. These cost approximately £3,000 and could not have been funded out of the NHS budget.

Similarly, the lead physiotherapist explained that the Community Neurological team who run out-patient clinics and provide community home visits within North & East Herts have a loan service for standing frames. These help patients with multiple sclerosis who cannot stand independently because of weakness or balance issues and who often develop disabling complications because of immobility. Some of these complications can be prevented, slowed down or even reversed with regular standing facilitated by standing frames. The Community team had run out of stock and wanted to buy two more at a cost of approximately £2,400, a sum which would have wiped out the Team's whole annual budget. The trustees agreed.

In the QVM hospital where patients come for rehabilitation after stays in the Lister and other acute hospitals the trustees have recently agreed to fund individual TVs for all patients including in the new two bedded bariatric ward where they will need to be put on trolleys.

On a lighter note, we were most grateful to Councillor Terry Douris, the chairman of Hertfordshire County Council, who paid the two hospitals a visit in August and was given a guided tour by Tony Stowe. The Chairman met several members of the clinical teams and seemed impressed by the facilities and rehabilitation on offer.

Please note we have our AGM in October on Thurs 19th October at 5:30pm at the Danesbury Neurological Centre. All appropriate notices will be issued soon but please keep the date now – we will be delighted to see you. In the meantime please do continue to support our very worthwhile charity.

Tewin Stores and Cafe

It's finished, that's the new kitchen complete with new bread oven thanks to a generous donation from a lovely well-wisher. Please ask to look at it when you next pop in for coffee or breakfast or just a piece of cake. The kitchen has a super new floor to stand on, lovely clean surfaces to work on, new grill, hob, toaster and kettles; and our own Tewin Store named mugs which will be available for sale nearer Xmas.

We hope this new kitchen may encourage more volunteers to join us; please consider helping for a couple of hours on a rota basis. We particularly need help Saturday morning once a fortnight. Also for any young person who is doing their DOE award we will provide you with a certificate to prove your time with us.

Have you seen the beautiful new "talking" cards yet? Lots of different bird songs to amuse the children – and perhaps some adults, too.

We are fortunate in having this lovely community shop which not only covers all of our grocery needs but is a hub for friends to meet or just a rest for our walking and cyclist folk.

We will have had our first lunch by the time this is printed and hope the weather was kind to us. Next lunch will be October 21st with another favourite - Sausage and Mash with onion gravy. Check in the shop for details.

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Friends of Tewin



By the time you read this, the Tewin Classic Car and Craft Show will be long past but, once again, Friends of Tewin were blessed with a warm and sunny day for the event.

With approximately 500 Classic cars, plus the spectacular cars brought in by our sponsors, Aston Martin and McLaren of Hatfield, it was indeed, a splendid sight on Upper Green and we hope that you all enjoyed your day.

Along with 44 craft stalls covering a wide variety of wares from the likes of ‘Cutlery with Attitude’ ‘Stained Glass decorations’ and, of course, the Auto Jumble, there was plenty for the public to browse around. Tewin’s Country Bumpkin came up trumps again with their lovely hog roast, burgers and bacon baps and they were supported again this year by Sandy’s Pizza Van, the Hill Brothers Bar and Frank’s Ices – particularly popular on such a warm day! The Monday Mojo’s Band kept the music flowing, with some energetic spectators adding to the atmosphere with a bit of jiving going on and ‘Why Not’, a local duo from Hertford Heath, also proved very popular with their own impressive style.

As we have said before, we can’t put this event on without so much help from so many people – you all know who you are – so again, an enormous thank you to everyone who helped.

We are delighted to say that the show raised a spectacular £8,000 which is a pretty impressive amount. As usual, the funds will be distributed to groups and organisations within Tewin. The Committee will be starting this process over the coming months. If you are a member of a village group that wants to improve its facilities, then please let us know. You can e-mail us on friendsoftewin@gmail.com

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Wed	Memorial Hall	7.30-9pm	Tewin Ukelele Group (TUG)
Thurs	Lower Green	9.25am & 10am	Footpath walks of Tewin
Thurs	Memorial Hall	1.30-4.30pm	50+ Club
Fri	Tewin Stores	1.30-2.45pm	Trussells Butcher's Van
Thurs 12th & 26th	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
Mon 2nd	Memorial Hall	7.45pm	Parish Council Meeting
Thurs 5th & 19th	Memorial Hall	2-3.30pm	Technology Advice
Sat 7th	Memorial Hall	2-4.30pm	Jumble Sale
Sun 15th	St Peter's Church	3-4.30pm	Messy Church
Mon 16th	Memorial Hall	7 for 7.45pm	Screen on the Green 'The Lost King'
Sat 21st	Tewin Stores	12.15-1.30pm	Lunch 'Sausage & Mash'

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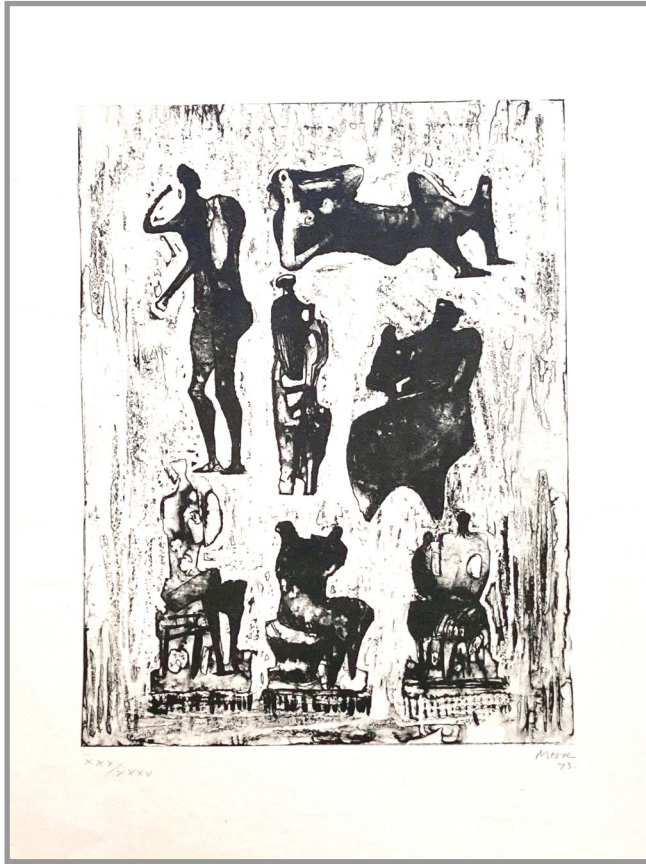
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