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**Classic Cars at Upper Green** 

#### **Tewin Classic Car Show 2022**











#### **Editorial Note**

Welcome to the October 2022 edition of the Tewin Magazine. Our photos of the Classic Car Show were taken by Byron Sinfield. I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine.

In a time of National Mourning following the sad death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II many events last month were cancelled. These included Screen on the Green and Tewin Stores' BBQ.

We have two musical events this month. See page 24 for details of both. On Sat 8th there is a lunchtime concert at St Mary's, Welwyn performed by SAVoce and on Sun 16th the Welwyn Garden City Orchestra are playing at the Civic Centre, Welwyn.

Screen on the Green is showing 'Sully' on Mon 17th (p10). The Autumn Book Sale takes place on Sat 29th (p9) Other events can be found in Dates For Your Diary (p33).

British Summertime ends at 2am on Sun 30th. Don't forget to move your clocks back one hour.

**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. **A Mobile Fish Van** is at Burnham Green on Wednesdays from 12.45-1.15. 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**



#### **PLANNING**

#### 3/22/1555/OUT - Land East Of Upper Green Road, Upper Green Road, Tewin

Outline planning application for erection of 4 three bedroom detached bungalows together with creating two new vehicular

accesses - all matters reserved except for access – *TPC Object as it does not* conform to current planning guidance, Tewin is a Group 2 village excluded from the Green Belt. The village is not in the Green Belt, but the application site is. Therefore the application site cannot be in the village, and so clause 149(e) "limited infilling in villages" is not applicable. Although there is a small group of dwellings to the north of the application site, they do not constitute a built up area. The application site is not in a built up area but rather part of a larger open space spreading eastwards. It is not infill, and should be refused. The entrances create two problems which have not been addressed:

1. Cutting down through the roadside bank and through the very important footpath which provides safe pedestrian access between Lower Green and Upper Green. The height difference has not been addressed particularly for the disabled and infirm.

2. Creating two more vehicle accesses just south of a difficult narrow bend in the road. Users of the path have to cross to the other side of the road. The western side of the road has a standard section of dropped kerb for pedestrian access. But the eastern side has a much longer section of dropped kerb, put there to enable vehicles to easily mount the pavement if necessary on this narrow bend.

#### <u>HIGHWAYS</u>

We have reported various longstanding issues on the Highways Fault line and the Parish Council agreed to arrange a meeting with the Highways Engineers and Herts County Councillor Ken Crofton to try to resolve some of these e.g. Upper Green Road Broken Birdsmouth Fencing, Churchfield Road Potholes, Lousehole Bottom Cut In Clearance, Upper Green Road Blocked Gulleys and Orchard Road Leaking Gulley.

#### 204 BUS

The future of the 204 bus is currently being investigated. PLEASE USE THE SATURDAY COMMUNITY MINIBUS

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#### NEXT MEETING

The Parish Council meeting is at 7.45pm on Monday 3rd October 2022 at 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. Queries :

Chairman, Keith St Pier Tel: 01438-717551 Clerk, Caroline McFarlane Tel: 01438-798969

E-mail - tewinparishclerk@btinternet.com

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Cllr Linda Haysey Tel: 01992-582151

#### Herts County Councillor:

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Our East Herts Rural Team contacts are:

PC Mark Turner or PCSO Sally Brooks.

Herts Highways Fault Line: 0300 1234047 or www.hertfordshire.gov.uk - for fault reporting.

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

#### THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURE ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY

#### THACS IN CRISIS

For twenty years *THACS* has contributed to Tewin life. As well as the traditional Spring and Autumn Shows, *THACS* has organised outings to beautiful gardens, talks, workshops on various arts and crafts, Open Gardens and Plant Exchanges, as well as supporting gardening at the village school. Sadly, this may now come to an end.

Several committee members, including the Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer, intend to stand down at the AGM next year. We are already without a Vice Chairman. We urgently need to recruit some more enthusiastic and able people to join the committee and continue the society's work.

A previous appeal led to the recruitment of two new people, who are bringing energy and fresh ideas to the committee. There are also two experienced committee members who are happy to continue in their current roles, so we are assured of at least four committee members who are willing to stand for re-election at the AGM in February 2023. However, the society will not be able to function, at least in its present form, unless we can fill the positions of Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you would be interested in joining the committee, or can suggest someone who might, please let me know as a matter of urgency. In the light of the difficulty facing *THACS*, we are calling an Extraordinary General Meeting at 8.00 pm on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November in Tewin **Memorial Hall**. All are invited, whether or not a current member of *THACS.* This meeting will be a forum for discussion about this serious problem and an exploration of any possible ways of resolving it. How can we fill the vacancies? Are there ways in which the society can function without any elected officers?

If you live in Tewin and are interested in gardening, flower arranging, painting, and drawing, handicrafts, photography, or baking, then please come along to the meeting to explore ways of saving *THACS*. Sincerely, Ray Keppler, THACS Chairman, 01438 717545,

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#### **PAUL GRAY**

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**References on Request** 



#### Work on the Farm

In early August our Spring Beans were ready to combine. A cooler day was needed, as on a hot day they would pop out of their husk, and fall to the soil - not what I want.

On Thursday the 18th of August, we had 26mm or 1 inch of rain. What that did to our farm was unbelievable. It laid the dust and made our fields workable. Martin started working with his Sumo Cultivator, which is our mini-till, three jobs in one pass machine. We will use this cultivator on over half of our arable acreage, and plough the rest.

We have just spread our large heap of compost over 60 acres to improve the soil and put back nutrients & fibre. The compost comes from a company which deals with green waste.

With the extreme heat of early August, our fields were so bone dry it was not worth trying to cultivate or start ploughing. The cost would be very expensive in wearing out Cultivator points, my Sumo Machine points cost approximately £224 per point, and we have 6 points on this machine, all points have wings that help to move the land, all parts are Tungsten tipped for very long life. This summer we are very concerned about the cost of fuel like Diesel which has doubled in price since last summer.

The Ukrainian War affects our everyday life. Ships leave the Ukrainian ports loaded with maize, soya and wheat. The war alters the everyday price of wheat on a daily basis. The price can rise or fall by  $\pounds 10$  per ton or more every day. Putin could also stop the grain exports at any time he likes.

Ivor Williams.

#### The History of Tewin by the People of Tewin – New Edition

The History of Tewin by the People of Tewin Volume I will be on sale at the Book Sale on Saturday 29th October. You will be able to order the second volume which should be published in mid November. Volume I is £30.00. Volume II will cost £15.00. If you buy or order both volumes the total cost will be £40.00. Linda Gilley For the Tewin Book Committee. alannio@btinternet.com 01438 717385

#### Autumn Book Sale

Now the long evenings are drawing in maybe it's time for you to stock up on your winter reading. In Tewin Memorial Hall on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October you will be able to browse around hundreds of books in all categories. We have hardback as well as paperback books plus jigsaws, CD's and numerous children's books. Entrance is free and you can enjoy refreshments while you browse. Meanwhile if you could help on the afternoon of Friday 28<sup>th</sup> to put out the books or on Saturday 29th when the surplus is put away for another time please contact Linda Crawford on 717538 or lindarichard@talktalk.net We really need your help.

Any donations please bring along early on the Saturday....9.15am

#### **School Caretaker Wanted**

If anyone local is interested in a part-time caretaker post at Tewin Cowper School, please contact the school office on 01438 717378 or admin@tewincowper.herts.sch.uk for more information.

#### Screen On The Green

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October we will be showing "*Sully*" (2016), a biographical drama that follows Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger as he makes an emergency landing on the Hudson River in New York City after US Airways Flight 1529 hits a flock of geese. Miraculously all passengers and crew survive and Sullenberger becomes a national hero in the eyes of the public and the media. Despite the accolades, the pilot must endure an investigation that threatens to destroy his reputation and career.

Directed by Clint Eastwood, it stars Tom Hanks as "Sully" Sullenberger and Aaron Eckhart as his co-pilot, Jeff Skiles. Despite his 86 years at the time of filming, Eastwood makes the "miracle on the Hudson" a dramatic and inspiring movie as a stirring tribute to an everyday hero.

Future dates for the diary:

21<sup>st</sup> November: *Planes, Trains and Automobiles (1987)* 12<sup>th</sup> December: *Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> St (1947)* 

MONDAY 17 OCTOBER 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

#### **On This Day**

17th October 1814

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#### **Royal Mail Issues Guidance On Stamps And Postboxes**

#### Following the passing of HM Queen Elizabeth II, Royal Mail has confirmed that stamps bearing the image of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II remain valid for use.

These include Definitive stamps - regular 'everyday' stamps - and Special Stamps. As previously announced, following the introduction of barcodes to everyday stamps, these non-barcoded stamps remain valid until the end of January 2023. You can carry on using any nonbarcoded stamps you have until 31 January 2023. For most people that will mean they have time to use up any of the old stamps they have before that date and you don't need to swap anything out. If you have too many stamps to use them up before this date you can exchange them for new barcoded ones through Royal Mail's 'Swap Out' scheme.

Only everyday stamps showing nothing but the late Queen's head are affected by the swap out. Other stamps are unchanged and remain valid.

Forms for swapping out under  $\pounds 200$  worth of stamps can be collected from the sorting office or, if you have access to a printer, you can download the form at

https://www.royalmail.com/sending/barcoded-stamps. You can also request a form by calling the Customer Experience Team on 03457 740740.

All Special Stamps that have already been announced will be issued, although the launch dates of some may change.

#### **Post Boxes**

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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 2022

Here's confirmation of the draw results for August

1 <sup>st</sup>	£50	Carol	Pullen,	Upper	Green Road
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- 2<sup>nd</sup> £30 Roland Swift, Godfries Close
- 3<sup>rd</sup> £10 Stephen Stott, Harwood Close
- 3<sup>rd</sup> £10 Margaret Llorente, Lower Green

Want to see your name here?

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

Application forms and more information available from:

- Lisa Bove on <u>personal@lisabove.com</u>
- Tewin Memorial Hall
- Tewin Stores
- <u>www.tewinvillagehall.co.uk/supporters-club</u>

#### St Peter's Christmas Bazaar Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 12 – 3pm

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

It is on the last Saturday of November, the 26<sup>th</sup>, 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 Dorothy Swann on **01438 798558** 

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**

In the summer we welcomed two new curates the Reverends Christie and Ryan Gilfeather to the Welwyn Team. They are living in St Michael's house in Woolmer Green and whilst Ryan is serving part time in Codicote, whilst completing his PhD, Christie is serving full time in Welwyn, Tewin and Datchworth. This is a tiny introduction from herself. I hope you will get to meet her very soon.

#### Susannah

It's very good to have been serving in the Welwyn team for three months already – I want to say an enormous thank you to everyone who has made a special effort to make us welcome. It has been much appreciated and we feel settled already.

A bit about what I was doing before I was here – I did most of my growing up in Dorset and some in Liverpool so I still have family in both places. When I was 19, I moved to Watford to do a church internship that was supposed to be 10 months long but I ended up staying there for 5 years. In that time, I worked both as a jeweller and a support worker for a homelessness charity. I also did my undergraduate degree and got very involved in a local parish where I started to discern that God might be calling me to ordained ministry After going through selection, I moved to Cambridge to train at Ridley Hall. Originally, I thought I'd be training for 3 years, but I ended up staying for 5 years (you can see a pattern emerging here...). This was good for all sorts of reasons, not least because on the day that I moved into college I took quite a liking to my neighbour – Ryan. We were married in our third year of training and Cambridge was a great place to start our life together.

At the moment I am in the final stages of a PhD, researching the figure of the widow in the Old Testament and when I'm not in church or doing my research, I like to swim, run, cook complicated recipes and watch football.

	ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES						
DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 <sup>st</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL
OCT 2nd	16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSAN MARSH	HABAK- KUK 1: 1-4, 2: 1-4	2 TIMO- THY 1: 1-14	LUKE 17: 5-10
9th	17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	2 KINGS 5: 1-3, 7-15	2 TIIMO- THY 2: 8-15	LUKE 17: 11-19
18th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	FAMILY SERVICE WITH BAPTISM	11.15am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	LUKE 18: 1-8			
	AFTER	EVENSONG	6.30pm	MICK SIMMONS	NEHE- MIAH 8: 9-End	JOHN 16: 1-11	
23rd	LAST SUNDAY OF TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	EDWARD CARDALE (CHRISTIE GILFEATHER)	JEREMIAH 14: 7-10, 19 -End	2 TIMO- THY 4:6-8, 16-18	LUKE 18: 9-14
30th	ALL SAINTS	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSAN MARSH	DANIEL 7: 1-3, 15- 18	EPHE- SIANS 1: 11-End	LUKE 6:20-31

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

		RC	OTAS		
SERVER	READER	SIDESMEN	COFFEE	FLOWERS	CLEANER
OCT 2nd DAVID	KAREN SHAW	PETE JOHNSON ROZ HOLDEN	BARBARA CLARK	MAVIS HAGGAR	DI BRADLEY
9th ALED (with David)	NICKY HADLEY	DI BRADLEY ANNE LAND	QUEENIE SIMMONS	ELAINE FOWLER	BELL RINGERS
16th	SPIKE NICHOLSON	MYRA WALKER	MYRA WALKER	PAULINE BROWN	LINDA MAITLAND ANGELA WILLIAMS
	MAVIS HAGGAR	MAVIS HAGGAR			
23rd ANGELA (with Pauline)	ROZ HOLDEN	ELAINE FOWLER GRAHAM SPRING	ROZ HOLDEN	CLARE RAWLINS	CLARE RAWLINS
30th PAULINE	PAULINE SPRING	CLARE RAWLINS MARK SWAN	JANET ROBINS	PAULINE SPRING	MARY GREGG

#### WEDDINGS

#### **3rd September 2022** Holly Elizabeth Garnet Hyde & Thomas David Willams

#### 10th September 2022 Lara Jane Murphy & Thomas William Morley Johnson

#### **St Peter's News**

At last, the rain!! Isn't it amazing how we moan about the weather when it is miserable and cold but long for it to rain when the garden is burnt, and we are bored with sitting inside to avoid the sun? And now the summer is over. The apples and plums are picked, the farmer has harvested his crops and the church has celebrated with the well-known harvest hymns. I am writing this a week or so before our Harvest Festival which is again going to be held outdoors on Lower Green when we hope it will be a lovely autumn day.

So back to August in the church. Throughout the month we enjoyed Summer Evensongs at each of the Welwyn Team churches. The theme for the sermons was *Kings and Queens* and some of those chosen were indeed little known about so we all learnt something new. St Peter's was the last Summer Evensong, and we were very pleased to welcome over 60 people to the service. The Rev'd Christie Gilfeather told us about Cyrus the Great, Emperor of Persia, who is mentioned in the bible, because after he conquered the Babylonians, he encouraged the Israelites to return to the Land of Israel from their captivity in Babylon. He was famous for having respected the customs and religions of the lands he conquered.

It was a busy day for us on the last day in August as in the morning, before Summer Evensong at St Peter's in the evening, we were on Burnham Green for a joint service with our friends at All Saints' Datchworth, the first time we have been able to carry out this service since 2019. And joyfully, we were pleased to see some of our congregation who have been shielding all this time. It is important to remember that not everyone yet feels able to fully participate in normal life due to many health issues.

We are very pleased to report that we now have some new members of our congregation who wish to become Servers in church and play a greater role in church life. Ours is the only place of worship in the village and we welcome allcomers. We always try to make people feel at home when they find their way to our door.

During August we began the process of asking the church for permission to make repairs to our church clock and to have an automatic winder installed. The clock is on the first floor of the clock tower and needs winding once a week. It is accessed via a perilous ladder by the Captain of the Bell Tower, David Hall, who also climbs up there to put up the flags when required. It will be safer to have the automatic clock winder. The clock is reported to have been changed in 1729 from a 30hour one hand clock to its present 7-day form, so goodness knows how old it is. We do know however that it is extremely dirty at the moment, not having been properly cleaned since much repair and maintenance work in 1983.

Nick, my fellow churchwarden with my husband's and my help, climbed up in the nave to change some light bulbs in August. Again, this is not a job that any of us want to be doing, especially as we are getting on a bit, and it is very high up there! The good news is that we are also asking the diocese for permission to replace our lighting with LED lights, more environmentally friendly, cheaper, and less likely to need changing. Bring on that day!! My knees are still knocking.

So here we are dragging the church into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Our next project will be the new meeting room and improved kitchen and toilet facilities which I mentioned in the news last month. During October we shall be inviting the whole village to come to an Open Day at the village hall on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November from 10am to 4pm to see some of our initial proposals for this venture. We have already given a general outline to the Parish Council and the Memorial Hall management committee. Please do try to drop in to see our ideas and give your comments. We might even offer you a cup of tea and some cake.

We are looking for a new secretary for the Parochial Church Council (PCC). Could you be that person? The PCC meets three times a year plus the Annual Parochial Church meeting. If you think you might like to do this, please get in touch with the vicar or churchwardens. It is an interesting role, and you will be joining the PCC at an exciting time in the life of the church. During October we will have our usual morning communion service on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>,4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays in the month at 9.30am. Do come to our Family service at 11.15 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, with Choral Evensong once again in the evening at 6.30pm. The acoustics in St Peter's lends itself well to choral singing and it is a beautiful gentle service. We will celebrate All Saints Day on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October followed by All Souls Day evening service at 6.30pm on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

Susannah and all the Welwyn team are always there to give support to those who are ill or recently bereaved. Do get in touch using these links:

The Rev'd Susannah Underwood

team.vicar@welwyn.org.uk 01438 817183

Stay safe, stay well

Postscript – I wrote this the day before the Queen's death and the accession to the throne of King Charles III. The Church has been open for private prayers and for people to sign the Book of Condolence. A special service of commemoration was held in the church on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September. I will write about all these events in next month's magazine. LG



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#### **Tewin Tennis Club**



Since 1971, when Tewin Tennis Club was founded with a single Tarmac court on Upper Green, the policy of the club committee has steadfastly been to provide affordable tennis for the people of the village. We are helped in this aim by the

generosity of the parish council, which owns the playing area and allows the club to manage it with a light touch for what is now over 50 years.

So despite the addition of the second court decades ago, we have managed to keep our fees to well below half the level of comparable village clubs in our immediate area. Our aim is to stimulate membership, which we seem to do very well.

Another factor is the quality of our playing surface. The hard courts are in excellent condition, which has been commented on by visiting teams from the local Datchworth league. The only issue of significance is a pesky tree root under the top right hand corner, which we are never entirely convinced we are rid of.

However, the courts will need resurfacing in the foreseeable future. This time we have decided to look into other options to simply replacing the Tarmac. You'll probably be aware of some of the alternatives – clay, artificial clay, acrylic, real grass, artificial grass and so on.

None of these is likely to be as cheap as simply renewing the existing hard surface, which is why we need to be sure that any change is supported by an improved playing experience for members. There are other factors too, such as routine maintenance and longevity, which need to be thrown into the pot.

We've setup a sub-committee to look into the options. They have contacted clubs like ours in other villages who have made changes to their court surfaces recently, and we've had some very helpful feedback.

At this point in time, it does seem that if we were to make a change, some sort of artificial grass surface might be a good option. As well as having agreeable playing properties, it can be quickly laid onto our existing tarmac courts while they remain in good condition.

What next? Committee members are visiting neighbouring courts to try out options, we are reviewing these clubs' experience and we are getting a handle on what the costs – both for renewing our existing courts and to change to a new surface – might be.

Then we will report our findings and recommendations to the club membership at a gathering in the near future. Do rest assured that nothing radical will happen without the consent of the membership. Peter Burgess

#### LUNCHTIME RECITAL

St Mary's Church, Welwyn, Saturday 8 October 2022 at 12 noon

SAVoce sings: Songs of Nature

with Jessica Wiley (soprano) and Helen Shabetai (pianist)



Accompanied and unaccompanied songs with a theme of nature and its beauty, arranged in rich harmonies for female voices.

#### FREE ENTRY

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#### Welwyn Garden City Orchestra

The orchestra will be playing on Sunday 16th October 2022 at 5pm at The Civic Centre, Welwyn.

The programme includes :

 Dvořák Violin Concerto with soloist Henrietta Dalgleish of The Purcell School for Young Musicians
Gounod Overture: Le Médecin malgré lui
Brahms Serenade No. 1

James Ross will conduct and Philippa Hanson lead the orchestra.

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#### Osteoporosis



Osteoporosis is where your bones lose strength, making you more likely to break a bone than the average adult.

Losing bone strength is a normal part of ageing, but some people lose bone faster than others.

Women can lose bone strength more rapidly in the first few years after the menopause, making women more at risk of osteoporosis than men, particularly if the menopause begins early (before the age of 45) or they've had their ovaries removed.

However, osteoporosis can also affect men, younger women and children. Other factors can also contribute to the risk of developing osteoporosis, including:

- taking high-dose steroid tablets for more than 3 months
- other medical conditions such as inflammatory conditions, hormone-related conditions, or malabsorption problems
- a family history of osteoporosis
- long-term use of certain medicines that can affect bone strength or hormone levels, such as anti-oestrogen tablets that many women take after breast cancer
- having or having had an eating disorder such as anorexia or bulimia
- having a low body mass index (BMI)
- not exercising regularly
- heavy drinking and smoking

To help minimise the risk of developing osteoporosis, you can take steps to help keep your bones as healthy as possible. This may include:

- taking regular exercise
- consider taking a daily supplement containing 10 micrograms of vitamin D please discuss this with your pharmacist first
- making lifestyle changes such as giving up smoking and reducing your alcohol consumption

If you are worried about osteoporosis or any of the risk factors mentioned above, please seek advice from a medical professional.

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



#### **TEWIN COMMUNITY TRANSPORT**

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#### The Community Minibus is here for you!

- 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 <u>safe</u> location on the route so just notify Ann when making your Booking, see below for details.

 $\cdot$  The fare is now only £3.00 return.

• There are plans for more Special Trips to Garden Centres and other locations that the passengers would like to visit – just give us your ideas.

· We are also looking at options for a Weekday Service.

 $\cdot$  This is your Minibus and is flexible to the needs of its users – please use it.

Thanks to continued grants and donations from Tewin Parish Council, Friends of Tewin and East Herts Council the Minibus will continue for the foreseeable future.

To book your place and to pay your fare, call Ann Kevis on 01438 717473

£1.50 single £3.00 return Under 18s half price

#### **Tewin Stores and Cafe**

It was with great regret that the last lunch to be held in the shop had to be cancelled due to our Queen's forthcoming funeral. I personally didn't feel 1 could enjoy a happy BBQ in the circumstances. But I am happy to say the volunteers meeting we had again provided some positive suggestions. Hopefully you are beginning to see some of the small things we are doing to improve the shop. The deep clean of the shop was greatly appreciated by us all. Bev commented that even the pictures looked cleaner! We have even got a new bin for rubbish. The new notice boards advertising the shop are placed outside the shop and on a major road in Tewin which we hope will bring much needed footfall. Certainly our customers now visiting the café come from as far as Hemel Hempstead, St.Albans, W.G.C. and Hertford. All comment on the friendliness of Tewin folk they meet. But we still continue to be quiet in the shop so do come and visit us and make us a bit busier. We still look forward to any homemade cakes donated to the shop.

The 100 club winners for September are:

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize:	Linda Gilley	£42.50
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize:	Catherine Stott	£21.25
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize:	Adrian Hill	£12.75

<b>Opening Hours:</b>	
Monday- Friday	8.30am - 4.00pm
Saturday	8.30am - 12.00 noon
Sunday	9.00am - 12.00 noon

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

This worthwhile cause ensuring that children receive a Christmas shoebox of gifts at a difficult time for them, is being co-ordinated by Judy Puddefoot and Sue Whitbourn (Tel: 01438 798 221).

This year efforts are being concentrated on the children of Ukraine.

Leaflets with instructions are available from St Peter's Church, Tewin Stores or on request.

#### Friends of Danesbury and QVM

And so here we are in October, the summer being a distant memory. Although we had no rain it was a cracker in terms of the number of sunny days we had, with the occasional heat wave proving to be slightly more challenging than we anticipated! Now we are in the month of ghouls and ghosts. The shop has had a bit of a spruce up and will no doubt be ready for the spooky antics taking place at the end of the month. The gardens here at Danesbury & QVM hospital always look so beautiful at this time of year, unfortunately a bit too chilly to be sitting out in but still worth taking a walk around for a breath of fresh air.

At OVM the refurbishment is about halfway through its 6 month plan. The new bariatric gym is completed and just needs to be kitted out, we hope to be working with them to make this space a functional and inspirational place. Due to the refurbishment, they are unable to have a full 'house' as some of the wards are being used as storage facilities until the work is completed. QVM will be working a lot more with bariatric patients in future. At Danesbury it's business as usual, the gym here seems to be constantly busy as the physio's and OT's carry out an array of treatments on both day patients and those staying here until they are fit enough to return to their homes. The clock cricket seems to be a huge success, so nice to hear the fits of laughter coming from the rooms these sessions are held in. It gives hope and strength knowing that the work carried out within these hospitals is having such a positive effect. The OT's have also had training paid for by the Friends on the FES (Functional Electrical Stimulation) systems, which is extremely beneficial for the patients with motor neurone issues. We hope in these tough times you too are finding the time to laugh and be happy, finding comfort in those near and dear to you. As the nights are drawing in and days get colder don't let that be a reason to stay indoors, go and

have that cuppa or a nice stroll in the countryside with that person you have been meaning to catch up with. You never know they may need it more than you think.

If you are having a bit of a clear out of any summer items, please don't forget our charity shop is always keen to take your donations.

Wishing you a happy October! Friends of Danesbury & QVM

#### Friends of Tewin



As I write this article, the country is in a period of mourning for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. On behalf of the Friends of Tewin Committee, we extend our sincere condo-

lences to members of the Royal Family and our gratitude for the lifetime of service and devotion given by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

**CLASSIC CAR & CRAFT SHOW** – What a "Bumper" year! The sun shone on the day and people came out in droves!

The splendid, colourful display of cars, motorbikes, and scooters, 500 in all, on Upper Green, was a Tewin record!

We are now a firm fixture in the calendars of our regular Classic car owners and we thank them all for their support. We were delighted to welcome back our sponsors, Aston Martin and McLaren Hatfield. The craft stalls, food, bar, music and our famous Tewin homemade cakes, meant that there was something for everyone to enjoy. Did you see the luxury portable loos ? A smart addition to our array of facilities, which were much commented about on the day.

By 1.30pm our main car park was full and we had to switch to using our overflow car park, which did cause a bit of jam on the road for a while. We can only apologise if this caused any inconvenience to any residents. Our parking marshals certainly had their work cut out this year and they coped admirably!

I am delighted to tell you all that the show raised a just over £9,000 profit, a splendid amount indeed.

**DONATIONS TO ALL VILLAGE GROUPS / ORGANISATIONS** It's now the task of the committee in the coming months to start the process of donating the profits from the car show to Tewin groups to help improve their facilities. Maybe you are a member of a village group that wants to improve your facilities?

If so, email; <u>friendsoftewin@gmail.com</u> for an application form or alternatively, you can ring Anne for more information on 01438 718505.

Olly Morrisroe, Vice Chair - Friends of Tewin



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Mon & Tues	Tewin Stores		Afternoon Tea (please book in advance)		
Tues	Tewin School	7-10 pm	Table Tennis 7-8pm Juniors 7-10pm Adults		
Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30– 11am	Parent and Toddler Group		
Wed	Burnham Green	12.45- 1.15pm	Mobile Fish Van		
Thurs	Lower Green	9.25am	Footpath walks of Tewin		
Thurs	Memorial Hall	1.30- 4.30pm	50+ Club		
Fri	Tewin Stores	2.30- 3.30pm	Trussells Butcher's Van		
Thurs 13th & 27th	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge		
Mon 3rd	Memorial Hall	7.45pm	Parish Council Meeting		
Sat 8th	St Mary's Church	12-1pm	Recital from SAVoce		
Mon 17th	Memorial Hall	7pm	Screen on the Green 'Sully'		
Sat 29th	Memorial Hall		Autumn Book Sale		
Sun 30th		2am	British Summertime ends. Clocks go back 1hour.		

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