



# Parish News



July 2010

The Diocese of St Albans, Welwyn Team Ministry

Parish of St Peter, Tewin

Price 50p

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## A Message from Coralie

It's the holiday season. Those of us who no longer have school age children may have already been away or planning an Autumn break. I'm planning an October break when our new Team Rector, David, is in place.

Holidays inevitably involve travel. I have fond memories of the journeys Ralph, our four children and I made to the Lake District, sometimes twice a year. Changing musical tastes had to be negotiated carefully. I think I always lost out but it didn't matter because I'm asleep within fifteen minutes of setting off. I am a very quiet passenger, problems only arise if directions are instantly demanded. SATNAV came along too late for us.

'Journeys' are the theme of this Summer's series of Evensong sermons as we travel around the Team churches. The ministry Team hope that you will join us. It's a great opportunity to visit the other churches again, to meet new people and share a glass of wine or fruit juice at the end of the evening.

25 <sup>th</sup> July—Welwyn	The 'Ex' Factor. 'Exodus, exile and the journey home'	Stephen Fielding
1 <sup>st</sup> August—Woolmer Green	'Long Wandering Prayer' or praying as you walk	Diane Whittaker
8 <sup>th</sup> August—Ayot St Peter	'The song of the pilgrim - Psalm 21'	Usha Hull
15 <sup>th</sup> August—Tewin	John Bunyan's 'Pilgrim's Progress'	Mick Simmons
22 <sup>nd</sup> August—Welwyn	'Francisco Bernadoni - a journey into poverty'	Colin Hull
29 <sup>th</sup> August—Datchworth	'Into the Unknown - a journey of faith'	Catherine Jupp
5 <sup>th</sup> September—Tewin	'From Bethlehem to the Foot of the Cross - Mary's Journey'	Coralie McCluskey

*On a long journey of human life, faith is the best of companions; it is the best refreshment on the journey; and it is the greatest property. (Buddha)*

Best wishes and God's blessing,

*Coralie*

### **'Sunday Club' in August**

During August on Sunday morning at 9.30am we will be running a Sunday Club for children and young people up to Year 6. Activities will include games, crafts, stories and music. We will finish at 10.30am. The club will be held outside, and under cover if it's raining!

Please contact Coralie, 01438 817183 if you are interested or want to find out more details.

### **Churchwardens' Notes**

Our popular series of Summer Evensongs will be held every Sunday evening at 6.30pm, commencing on 25<sup>th</sup> July and continuing on each Sunday to 5 September. This year two will be held at St Peter's, Tewin. These will be on 15<sup>th</sup> August and 5<sup>th</sup> September and the theme this year will be "Journeys". We generally have some refreshment after the service, which gives an opportunity to chat to visitors from other churches in the team.

We are still awaiting the final fixings for the north windows in the nave. These are being made by a blacksmith and, once fitted, will allow us to remove the cords. Meanwhile, another element of the work carried out in 2009 has proved to be most successful. This is the new gully placed on the path to the vestry door to divert rainwater away from the north wall of the church. Hopefully, the internal plaster will now dry out.

Now a little piece of history..... When Tewin Wood was in the early stages of construction, the agent was Alfred Bishop, who lived in Keepers Cottage on Desborough Drive. He died in 1952 at the age of 63, and was buried in the same grave as his parents in Tewin churchyard. However, whilst a memorial plaque was put in the bus shelter in Tewin village, there was no acknowledgement of the burial on the grave. Over 50 years later this has been rectified thanks to his grand-daughter; and Coralie held a short service at the graveside on 5<sup>th</sup> June when a new memorial stone was placed on the grave.

And on that note, we wish you all a very good summer!

Pete and Mike

St Peter's will be floodlit on  
Tuesday, 3rd August  
in memory of

**Daphne Ketteridge**

Requested by  
Roy, Jayne and Bubbles

## Christians Against Poverty

We are delighted that a speaker from the charity Christians Against Poverty will be addressing the Church at the morning service on 25th July.

*Christians Against Poverty is a national debt counselling charity working through a network of centres based in local churches. It offers hope and a practical solution to anyone in debt through its unique in-depth service. CAP's hands-on approach allows people to help themselves out of poverty and be released from the fear, oppression and worry generated by overwhelming debts. They provide sustainable poverty relief as the service teaches clients vital budgeting skills that will last a lifetime.*

*The charity is now a fast-paced, growing organisation whose vision is to answer the national problem of debt in the UK by having at least one CAP centre operating in every major town and city by the year 2021.*

Please come and support this highly worthwhile cause that has particular relevance in today's economic climate.

A note from the Editor

### Tewin History on Film .....

If you enjoy reading [and re-reading] the book 'A History of Tewin by the People of Tewin', as I do, then you will be keen to watch some old film footage from yesteryear of the village and its residents. Mike Clark has kindly passed the following information on for everyone to view.

Rob and Flo Cox at Tewin Orchard have forwarded a fascinating link to Pathe News clips, one of which features life in Tewin in full colour in the 1950s. To see the film, visit <http://www.britishpathe.com/record.php?id=836>

Ada Izzard and Frank Harris feature with a number of other people in the village, most of whom are named in attached notes kept with the original storyboard. It could be Peggy Harris, too, present and Tewin residents of the time may know everyone shown. The films were made to a very high standard for national distribution and the archive. If you search in 'Hertfordshire' for example, you will find 'Cats Eye Cunningham' the Hatfield test pilot with Hatfield aerodrome material and the Comet.

Also, Graham Dangerfield in colour with his animals at Wheathampstead and the clip of the Cuffley Zeppelin memorial opening in the 1920's actually shows my grandmother on the garden side of the roped off area!

Unfortunately, adverts break into the pictures as you open them and you have to wait until they clear - clicking only brings them up large, but you get there in the end and the website is well worth exploring. If you click on the enlarge symbol, it goes full frame on the computer.

I hope you enjoy the film.

## This man deserves time off for good behaviour!



### ASSISTANT TREASURER & NUMERATE VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Peter Burleigh has been Treasurer of the Tewin Memorial Hall for the past 10 years, dedicating his time and talents to ensure the financial well-being of one of Tewin's greatest assets.

After 10 years of such sterling work we are keen to enlist an Assistant Treasurer, with a view to becoming Treasurer when Peter finally hangs up his abacus at the end of 2011.

Could you be that person?

If not... perhaps you can donate just 2-3 hours per month, on a flexible basis, and be part of our new 'Finance Team'?

You could be helping to pull together financial input to grant applications, arranging the money aspects of our fund-raising events, or ensuring we get best value from our utility services.

### ASSISTANT TREASURER

If you are comfortable with numbers, have basic finance skills (you don't need accounting qualifications), ideally have some business experience and are a team player who is happy playing 'devil's advocate', then you would be ideal for this role and you would have a 12-month transition period in order to learn the ropes and get confident.

By creating a Finance Team to support the Treasurer we are spreading the workload and reducing the role to an average of 3-4 hours per week, possibly less.

### GET INVOLVED

If you are able to help or are interested in finding out more about what's involved in any of the roles described, please get in touch. We'd love to hear from you, even if you're not yet decided. We know there are talented people in and around this village, please get involved so that Peter can put his feet up!

Call David Laming (798213) or Peter Burleigh (715260).

## TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL—SUPPORTERS CLUB

In November it will be 10 years since I restarted the Supporters Club and is thus an appropriate time to hand over the reins. From August 1<sup>st</sup> we welcome Lisa Bove as Club Administrator. Thank you for the great support over the years.

### Results for the **May 2010** draw

1 <sup>st</sup>	£63	S Chester, Grass Warren
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£38	M Weight, Bishops Road
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£13	Anne Beale, Upper Green
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£13	B Robbins, Harwood Close

Membership forms from Peter Burleigh (23 Harwood Close, Tel 715260)

or any member of the Hall committee.



## ISABEL HOSPICE—Welwyn Hatfield



We are pleased to announce the following events this month supporting your local Hospice.

### Sun 4 Jul 2010—Goatfest

12:00 - 22:00

GOATFEST is all about celebrating excellent live music with friends, having a great time and also being able to raise money for a wonderful cause; Isabel Hospice.

This is the second year that The Goat Pub in Codicote are holding a *Goatfest*, with live music, in aid of Isabel Hospice. For more information ring Rowan on 07921 060344.

### Sun 18 Jul 2010—Open Garden

14:00 - 17:00

The garden of 131 The Ridgeway, Cuffley, Herts EN6 4BG is open in aid of Isabel Hospice. There will be a selection of home made cakes, teas and a plant stall. Entrance £3 children free. Parking available on the slip road.

### Sun 18 Jul 2010—Tandem Skydive

07:00 - 17:00

Fancy doing something a little different in 2010? Why not take part in our Isabel Hospice Tandem Sky Dive at Chatteris, near Cambridge? The jump will cost a minimum of £375, of which Isabel Hospice will receive £230. Come along and join our band of merry jumpers and help raise valuable funds in an Extreme way.

If you wish to take part in this exciting event, you must be aged 18 or over (or 16+ with parental consent). Each jump will be undertaken with an instructor and training will be given prior to the jump.

For further information or to register for the Sky Dive please contact Lisa Seccombe on 01707 382542

Create a fundraising page



## Friends of Tewin

The Barn Dance tickets for Saturday 24th July are now available from Tewin and Burnham Green shops as well as any Friends of Tewin committee member.

Tickets cost £10, including children over 11yrs of age. Under 11 years of age the cost is £5.

If you have not been before, we have a live band with a excellent caller, a licensed bar and 'Roastaholics' who will be selling hot food.

If the weather is as kind to us, as it was two years ago, you will be able to sit outside as well as inside the authentic barn at Muspatts kindly loaned to us by Ivor and Linda Williams. This is very much a fun 'family event' although you must be aware of the dancers when bringing children. There is a lot of laughter at our understanding of how the dances should be danced. We look forward to seeing you all with your friends.

Linda Crawford, Chairman, Friends of Tewin

e-mail: [lindarichard@talktalk.net](mailto:lindarichard@talktalk.net)

## ***THACS* - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY**

### **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2010 - *THACS* Autumn Show**

The Autumn Show at the beginning of September is a great time for you to display the results of your efforts to grow flowers, vegetables and fruit in your garden or allotment. This year we have provided you with even more scope for this, by increasing the number of categories in these classes.

There are also classes for flower arranging, arts & crafts, photography and culinary, as well as a large class for children. So come along, have a go and support your village show! Don't forget, the more categories you enter, the more likely you are to win a prize.

Show schedules, rules and entry forms will be distributed to members with the next *THACS* newsletter in early July. Non-members will be able to get them from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July by down-loading them from the *THACS* page on the village website [www.tewinvillage.co.uk](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk) or to collect paper copies from Tewin Stores or Anna Clark, *THACS* Show Secretary, Tewin Orchard, 1 Upper Green, Tewin AL6 0LX, tel. 01438 798324.

All entry forms and entrance fees should be submitted by Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August.

### **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2010 - *THACS* Arts & Crafts Fair**

The Arts & Crafts fair and sale will take place at Tewin Memorial Hall from 10:00am to 4:00pm on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

In previous years, this fair has taken place over two days at Burnham Green Village Hall. Due to the success of previous events, we have re-located to Tewin Memorial Hall which is a larger venue. However, we will need many more stallholders to fill the space. There will be a minimal charge to cover the cost of the hall, and the stallholders will retain all of the profits from the sale of their products.

Would you like a stall, or a share of a stall?

If so, please contact:

**Hilary Tipping**

16 Lower Green, Tewin, Welwyn, Hertfordshire, AL6 0LB, phone: 01438 718700, or by email: [hilary.tipping@talk21.com](mailto:hilary.tipping@talk21.com) with your name, contact details and the type of work you wish to display and sell.

If you have any friends or colleagues who might be interested in having a stall, please bring this to their attention.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Headteacher: Mrs A Simpson  
email: [admin@tewincowper.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@tewincowper.herts.sch.uk)  
Tel: 01438 717378

## Our June News

The beautiful June weather is greatly benefiting all the industrious planting and nurturing that has gone into our school grounds and we hope for recognition when judged in the "Blooming schools" competition later in July.

Classes have been enjoying a rich variety of experiences including trips with Dragonfly class to Gulliver Land and Caterpillar class to the Celtic Harmony camp, as well as visitors to the school. We have hosted SET POINT, a Key Stage Two hands-on science workshop and a visiting author K.A.S. Quinn, a writer of historical fiction with elements of fantasy.

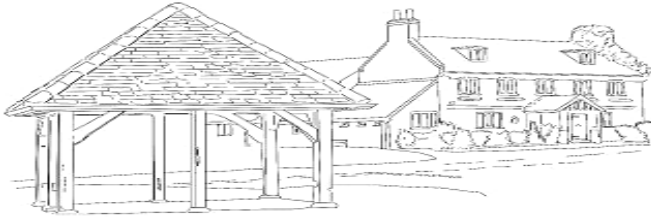
We have said sad farewells to excellent student teachers, Miss Angela Nergaard and Ms. Kelly Fairhall, who, whilst attached to Dragonfly and Grasshopper classes, were a valued addition to the staff and added to the school life of *all* pupils. Happily we shall be saying some excited "hellos" to new staff appointed for September 2010, Mr. Le Tissier for Honeybee class and Mrs. Fenner for Dragonfly class.

On Friday May 21<sup>st</sup> we were very proud to receive recognition for our outstanding fundraising for the leprosy charity 'LEPRA'. Through sponsorship, pupils had raised a magnificent £669 and it was explained to us that this effectively assisted twenty nine sufferers. Further fundraising has been arranged later this month for the charity 'Headway', North Herts & Stevenage. An organization which supports and cares for people who have sustained head/brain injuries. We are very proud of the charitable work our School Council initiates.

Now we are all set for rehearsals, working towards our summer productions. Key Stage 1 will perform "Welcome to our World" and Key Stage 2 will be performing an updated version of a fairytale with "Cinderella Rock-a-fella". We expect to perform for both pre-school and senior groups in the village. If you are not directly linked with the school but would be interested in watching these West-end Wonders, please contact the school.

Hopefully the sunshine will enable the swimming programme to go ahead, where all pupils will swim three times a week, increasing their water confidence and swimming skills. Remember that the pool is available for the wider village community use throughout the summer and we invite you to purchase your membership through Tewin Family Swimming Club-forms and details available in school.

The Staff Team



# Tewin Parish Council

## NEW COUNCILLOR

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to co-opt Mr. David Manners on to the Parish Council at the meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2010. Cllr Manners has lived in the village for a long while and can bring many skills to the table and would like to use them to the benefit of the community.

## PAVILION REFURBISHMENT

This is scheduled to start imminently and is likely to last 12 weeks. The Tennis and Cricket clubs will continue to operate during this time and the Classic Car Show is still scheduled for Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2010. The container in the car park is for storing the clubs equipment and will be locked at all times.

**PLEASE TAKE EXTRA CARE WITH DOGS AND CHILDREN AROUND THE PAVILION DURING THE REFURBISHMENT. EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ENSURE THE SITE IS SECURE.**

## PLAYGROUND

The playground will still be open during the Pavilion refurbishment however it may be shut for 24hrs in order to carry out some remedial works on the gates sometime during the summer.

## BUS SHELTER

The landlord of the Rose and Crown asked the Parish Council to advise Parishioners that the bus shelter is covered by the pub's CCTV.

## DOG FOULING

There have been complaints about dog fouling within the Parish and the Parish Council would like to remind Parishioners of their Dog Fouling Policy which is in line with that of East Herts Council :-

- Be a responsible dog owner and carry disposable bags to ensure you can clean up after your dog, keep your dog under control at all times, keep your dog out of dog restricted areas, and do not allow the dog out alone.
- Use a poop scoop or a suitable bag and dispose of deposits at home in the dustbin or in any Council litter or "doggie" bins. In the interests of hygiene, always please tie the neck of used bags.
- Dog fouling is a nuisance and can also be a danger, particularly to young children, as it can lead to serious illnesses such as toxocariasis.
- Failure to clean up after a dog in your charge will lead to a Fixed Penalty Notice for £50, or prosecution, which may lead to a fine of £1,000 plus costs. It is not an acceptable defence to claim ignorance of the dog's actions or that you did not carry means to dispose of the fouling at the time.
- Report irresponsible dog owners to our Animal Warden on 01279 655261, by using our online form Dog Fouling Notification Form or by email. Please provide us with as much information as possible about the dog, dog owner, and the times and locations the owner regularly walks the dog.

## NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting is on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at 7.45pm at the Tewin Memorial Hall.

### Other meeting dates are:

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010 at 7.45pm

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at 7.45pm

## 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 ARE INVITED TO MAKE COMMENTS AT THE START OF THE MEETING**

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS, NEWSLETTERS AND DATES OF MEETINGS ARE PUBLISHED ON THE TEWIN WEBSITE WHICH CAN BE ACCESSED AT [www.tewinvillage.co.uk](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk). (The minutes do not appear on the website until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting).**

Minutes are also displayed on the notice board by Tewin Stores, the Memorial Hall and the bus shelter opposite Desborough Drive.

If you have any queries or comments concerning the above, please contact:

Chairman, Kristina Lawson Tel: 01438-717256

Clerk, Caroline McFarlane Tel: 01438-798969

E-mail - [caroline.mcfarlane@virgin.net](mailto:caroline.mcfarlane@virgin.net)

## East Herts District Councillor

North Ward: Cllr Michael McMullen Tel: 01920-463430

South Ward: Cllr Linda Haysey Tel 01992-582151

## Herts County Councillor

Cllr Bryan Hammond Tel: 01438-798298

## Other Useful Numbers/Websites

**Operation Arable – 01992-533000** – reporting motorcycles

**Police Community Team – 01707-354192** – non-emergency purposes

**Police Control Room – 0845-3300222**

**Highways Fault Line - 01438-737321** - reporting potholes and any damage to the roads

**East Herts District Council: 01279-655261 or**

[www.eastherts.gov.uk](http://www.eastherts.gov.uk) - reporting smoke and noise nuisance, fly-tipping, fly-posting, dead animals on the road, stray dogs, dog fouling, abandoned vehicles. Environmental Health, Pest Control, Waste Services, Planning Tree Preservation Orders, Parking Warden for parking offences.

**Herts County Council: 01992-555555 or**

[www.hertsdirect.org](http://www.hertsdirect.org)

## **Tewin Parish Council**

Playground - please report any damage, accidents or other problems to the Parish Clerk on 01438-798969.