



# Tewin Magazine



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## **Editorial Note**

Welcome to our January 2019 edition of the Tewin Magazine. I wish all our readers a happy and healthy 2019.

After the excitement of December, January is a quieter month in Tewin. The THACS AGM is on the 14th (p6) and the Bowls Club are holding a New Year Quiz on 18th (p9).

The Tewin Stores' Saturday Lunch for January will be 'Bubble and Squeak with Sausage or Egg' on the 19th (p25) and The Screen on the Green is showing 'Little Miss Sunshine' on the 21st(p14).

Tewin Stores are also holding their ever popular Afternoon Tea on the 30th (p25). Book Early to avoid disappointment.

When do the Christmas decorations come down? Is it the twelfth day OF Christmas or the twelfth day AFTER Christmas. See page 3 for the details.

Please continue to send contributions for future editions of the magazine to [tewinmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:tewinmagazine@gmail.com). The deadline is the 15th of the month, but the earlier the better.

Jackie Murphy, Editor

## **St Peter's Christmas Market**

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Tewin Christmas Market on 30th November. The afternoon was very festive and had a wonderful community feel. We have raised £2,230 which, although down on last year, is still a fantastic effort and welcome funds for the church. Thank you to those who provided donations, baked cakes, set up stalls, ran stalls, cleared up afterwards, and helped with all of the other behind the scenes work. Now is the perfect time to donate any unwanted Christmas gifts! I look forward to working with everyone again in 2019.

Vicky de Naeyer

## **New Year in Tewin**

Here in Tewin we celebrate the New Year  
In pub and inn and Village Hall  
Where we sing and we dance through the midnight clear  
Then bells ring out and we wish good cheer

When you join the parties on Hogmanay  
You can eat and drink with neighbours and friends  
Sing Auld Lang Syne on New Year's Day  
And say 'Thank you for the Days' as the old year ends

Raise your juice or Prosecco or whiskies or beers  
Then, looking forward with hopes, not fears,  
You gird yourself up with laughter, some tears  
And welcome the dawn of the Best of Years

## **When do the Christmas Decorations Come Down?**

Tradition has it that Christmas decorations stay up until **Twelfth Night**.  
When is Twelfth Night?

The short answer is the **5th January**.

According to the Church of England, Twelfth Night "refers to the night before Epiphany, the day when the nativity story tells us that the three wise men visited the infant Jesus" - and Epiphany is on January 6th.

Some people will be marking the 6th January as Twelfth Night, as the 6th is technically the 12th day *after* Christmas. But they'll be a day late.

Popular superstition states that it's bad luck to leave your decorations up after the 5th. Christmas decorations not taken down by Twelfth Night should be left up until Candlemas Day (2nd February) and then taken down.

## Tewin Parish Council



**Planning - Fairholme Stables, Archers Green Lane, Tewin**  
**3/18/2211/FUL** - Demolition of existing buildings, erection of 5 dwellings together with associated parking amenity space and access from Archers Green Lane - *TPC Object - EHC Refused due to inappropriate development in the Metropolitan Green Belt and other harm identified in respect of adverse impact on*

*openness and character of area. Very special circumstances have not been identified that would clearly outweigh the harm by reason of inappropriateness and the other identified harm. The proposal would therefore be contrary to Policies GBR1 and DES4 of the East Herts District Plan 2018 and the National Planning Policy Framework.*

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*Insufficient information has been provided to demonstrate that the loss of the existing equine recreational facilities can be justified in accordance with Policy CFLR6 of the East Herts District Plan 2018*

*Amended Plans incl visitors parking and bin collection area. TPC Object to the simplistic responses of putting grasscrete on the front lawns of houses to solve car parking problems, putting an area of hard standing for a collection point at the main entrance for waste and recycling problems and the unrealistic expectation that bins will be stored on the rear patios of some of the houses.*

### **Christmas Tree and Carols**

The Parish Council would like to thank Friends of Tewin for decorating the Christmas tree this year and for helping to organise the carol singing event. They would also like to thank Mr. V. Murray for kindly PAT testing the tree lights.

### **Precept**

The Council reviewed Estimate to Year End for Financial Year Ending 31.3.2019 and the precept options for the Financial Year Ending 31.3.2020 and in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Council they unanimously agreed that the precept be increased by 1.67% from £30,000 to £30,500.

### **Tewin Drivesafe Speed Awareness Group**

The Parish Council unanimously agreed to finance 5 large "Slow Down Community Speed Watch Operates Here 30mph" signs at £53.10 plus vat, each to be used in the parish on existing posts to promote speed awareness.

Tewin Drivesafe Speed Awareness Group is a dedicated team of volunteers that turns out 2 to 3 times per month to speed check vehicles entering or leaving the village. They use a portable speed indicator device ("SID") which highlights each

car's speed to help improve all drivers' speed awareness as many people are not aware how fast they are driving on local roads which have a 30mph limit. Tewin Parish Council are very supportive of the Drivesafe group and are hopeful that their continued operation will encourage motorists to slow down through Tewin. If you would like to volunteer to help man the speed indicator device "SID" and monitor traffic please email: [drivesafe.tewin@gmail.com](mailto:drivesafe.tewin@gmail.com)

### **Poppy Appeal Organiser**

We are looking for a volunteer to become the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal Organiser for Tewin village as our current organiser is moving away from the village in December. The basic requirement would be to prepare, distribute, collect, count and bank around 20 collecting tins and order 5 wreaths with a bit of associated paperwork. If you think you might be interested please contact Caroline, the Clerk 01438-798969.

### **PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION**

**The next meeting is on Monday 4th February 2019 at 7.45pm at Tewin Memorial Hall in the Kimberley Room.**

**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 three 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 [www.tewinvillage.co.uk](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk). The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

**Meeting Dates and Newsletters:** These are published on the website [www.tewinvillage.co.uk](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk)

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

### **Annual General Meeting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

The eighteenth *THACS* AGM will take place in Tewin Memorial Hall on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7:30pm. The evening will start with the AGM and then there will be refreshments (including wine) followed by a talk from our guest speaker.

Our guest speaker is Chris Bell and the subject of his talk will be *How Photography Changed Painting Forever*.

Chris graduated from the Royal College of Art with a Master's degree in Photography and has spent 30 years as a professional photographer working with UK and international clients, ranging from Harrods to IBM. He is an accomplished lecturer and an entertaining speaker.

His talk will be illustrated with projections of art works before and after the advent of the lens and after the photographic image arrived. This is an area little explored by the general public or the art world, who in the early days saw it either as a threat or as an inferior type of image making. The use of the lens influenced painting in many ways even before photography itself was invented and certainly in the years after. In more modern times photography has also been instrumental in changing our understanding of the way we see ourselves as well as the world around us.

There is no admission charge for the evening and no booking is necessary. This is an important meeting for *THACS* and all members are urged to attend. Non-members are very welcome but not able to vote. Any non-members who just wish to attend the talk are advised to arrive by 8:30pm.

### **Coldest Day of the Year?**

St Hilary's feast day on 13th January has gained the reputation as the coldest day of the year due to past cold events starting on or around this date.

One of the most severe winters in history began around 13th January in 1205. The River Thames froze over. Wine and ale turned to solid ice and was sold by weight.

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## **BOWLS CLUB NEWS**

The Bowls Club is resting and all the bowlers are looking forward to April and a new bowling season. Meanwhile, they wish all the Tewin Magazine readers a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Now plans are afoot for members' Sunday lunches and Kevin is preparing for his New Year Quiz. This will be on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> January, 6.30 for 7.00pm. As usual, if you wish to come you need to sign up either on the list in the Clubhouse Notice Board or by phoning Todd Canton on 01438 717395 (toddcanton39@gmail.com) or Rob Kenway on 07552 780236. Please remember – if you book a place, supper will be cooked for you, so if you cannot come along after all, whether for health or other reasons, we would ask that you please advise one of the above, or alternatively phone Joan on 01707 332655, or you may be charged to cover our expenses for wasted food.

The Art Group reconvenes on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> January, at 10am – 1pm and will welcome anyone who wants to have a go at drawing or painting. Contact Lilian for information on 01438 717203.

Advance Notice: The Bowls Club OPEN DAY will be on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> May, when visitors will be invited to have a look around the Club and try their hand at bowling. More information on this nearer the date.

Meanwhile, if you'd like more information about the Club just contact one of the following:- Mike Howe on 01438 840063, or Todd Canton on 01438 717395.

### Shire Park Bowls Club (Tewin)

#### **New Year's Day.....On this Day**

1st January 1772	The London Credit Exchange Company issued the first travellers cheque.
1st January 1927	BBC began broadcasting its first programmes.
1st January 1931	Traffic policemen were introduced in Great Britain.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

One kind heart, one shoebox gift, one child's life impacted forever! 3030 shoeboxes since 2003. That's the amount that Tewin Residents (not including the school) have carefully wrapped and filled with gifts for very needy children in Eastern Europe and other parts of the world.

That's quite a number and one to be really proud of so a big thank you to everyone who has kindly participated this year.

Judy Puddefoot collected 116 from here on 22nd November. That includes six that were done online; the ones I heard about. Maybe there were others. I understand our boxes have gone to Iraq.

The joy that these gifts bring should never be underestimated. It may be the pens, pencils and paper that bring the most joy, or perhaps the little car or the soft toy, something to cuddle in the dark when no-one else seems to care. There are never enough to go round of course but that is inevitable.

Thank you again for all your efforts.

Hopefully Operation Christmas Child can count on you again next year.

Jackie Beadle. Caverswall, Queen Hoo Lane, Tewin.

## **River Thames Frost Fairs**

The worst cold spells in Britain occurred between 1550 and 1750. It was known as the Little Ice Age and was so cold that the River Thames froze over each year. It was not uncommon for the freeze to last for three months.

The first recorded Frost Fair was held in 1608 on the frozen Thames. There were tents, sideshows, food stalls and even ice bowling.

Henry VIII is said to have travelled on the river from Central London to Greenwich by sleigh in 1536 and Elizabeth I took walks on the ice during the winter of 1564.

The last Frost Fair was held in 1814. It began on 1st February and lasted just 4 days. An elephant was led across the river just below Blackfriars Bridge.



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**Tewin Memorial Hall Draw**

**November 2018**

**Below are the results for the September Supporters Club draw:**

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>£58</b>	<b>Adrian Hill, Tewin Hill</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>£34</b>	<b>Nadia Perkins, Harwood Close</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>£12</b>	<b>Menna Searle, Godfries Close</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>£12</b>	<b>Pauline Spring, Hertford Road</b>

Want to see your name here?

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Application forms and more information available from:

- Lisa Bove Tel. 01438 798546 or [personal@lisabove.com](mailto:personal@lisabove.com)
- Tewin Memorial Hall
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- [www.tewinvillagehall.co.uk/supporters-club](http://www.tewinvillagehall.co.uk/supporters-club)

## Screen On The Green

We start the New Year on 21<sup>st</sup> January with a comedy to lift the spirits. “*Little Miss Sunshine*” (2006) is a 2006 American comedy-drama road film and the directorial debut of the husband-wife team of Jonathan Dayton and Valerie Finnis. The Hoover family decide to make an inter-state journey in their old Volkswagen bus so that daughter Olive can enter a beauty pageant. But things don't go according to plan. The film won many awards including two Oscars.

Further dates for this season:

18<sup>th</sup> February *Some Like It Hot* (1959)

18<sup>th</sup> March *Hell or High Water* (2016)

15<sup>th</sup> April *Closely Watched Trains* (Czech 1968)

20<sup>th</sup> May *Once* (2007)

17<sup>th</sup> June *Bridge of Spies* (2015)

**MONDAY 21 JANUARY. 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.**

Marie St Pier

### January Anniversaries

2nd January 1799	Income Tax was first introduced as a means to help pay for the Napoleonic War.
10th January 1863	London Underground began operating.
14th January 1986	Motorists were required by law to wear seatbelts.
28th January 1807	London's Pall Mall became the first street in the world to be lit by gas light.
29th January 1856	The Victoria Cross was introduced. The medals are made from metal from guns captured in the Crimea.

## Team Vicar's Letter

New Year's Resolution no.1 : Go to church!

Why?

- 1) Because it is a community, and there are some amazing people who are already there, and they'd love to meet you.
- 2) Because all the standing and sitting in between hymns is good for the thighs and you'll save money on gym membership.
- 3) Because singing does wonders for the soul and is a real spirit lifter.
- 4) Because the building is ancient, interesting and beautiful and simply sitting in it can reveal new things.
- 5) Because, fancy that, it is YOUR church. Crikey, what a thing! So it seems daft not to use it.
- 6) Because when Christians get together they end up changing the world in a way they can't do on their own.
- 7) Because if you'd like it to be around for a wedding, christening or funeral then someone's got to be there every week to make that viable – and it might as well be you.
- 8) Because it's good to think sometimes 'what can I give?' rather than 'what can I gain?'
- 9) Because in giving you will gain, and that's the funny thing.
- 10) Because you will meet Jesus. In the person sitting next to you. In the words you find spoken to your soul. In ordinariness of bread and richness of wine. You will meet Jesus.

And you would be very, very welcome.

Wishing you a happy and blessed New Year,

Susannah

## ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 <sup>ST</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL
JAN 6th	EPIPHANY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30 am	TBC	ISAIAH 60: 1-6	EPHESIANS 3: 1-12	MATTHEW 2: 1-12
		CHORAL EVENSONG	6.30pm	TBC	ISAIAH 60:1-9	JOHN 2:1-11	
13th	BAPTISM OF CHRIST 2nd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	TBC	ISAIAH 43: 1-7	ACTS 8: 14-17	LUKE 3: 15-17, 21-22
20th	3rd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY	FAMILY SERVICE	11.15am	TBC	JOHN 2:1-11		
		HOLY COMMUNION BCP	6.30pm	TBC	ISAIAH 62: 1-5	1 CORINTHIANS 12: 1-11	JOHN 2: 1-11
27th	4th SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	TBC	NEHEMIAH 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10	1 CORINTHIANS 12: 12-31a	LUKE 4: 14-12

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



## ROTAS

SERVER	READER	SIDESMEN	COFFEE	FLOWERS	CLEANER
JAN 6th  MALCOLM	ALICE GREENWOOD	DI BRADLEY  ELAINE FOWLER	ELAINE FOWLER	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	VICKY DE NAEYER
	NICK WHITING	PETE JOHNSON  MARK SWANN			
13th  DAVID	KAREN SHAW	MARY GREGG  MAVIS HAGGAR	DEIRDRE HATT	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	SUE WHITBOURN
20th  PAULINE	MAVIS HAGGAR	MYRA WALKER  CLARE RAWLINS	SHEILA FEAKES	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	LINDA CRAWFORD
	MALCOLM SLAUGHTER	PETE JOHNSON  PAULINE SPRING			
27th  MALCOLM	PAULINE BROWN	IVOR & LINDA WILLIAMS	MYRA WALKER	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	JUNE & MALCOLM SLAUGHTER

**The Church was floodlit on Christmas Night 2018 in memory of:**

**Joy Barker on what would have been her 100th birthday.**

**The Fish Family (Mum, Dad, Jim, Nan and Popeye )**

**Loved and missed so very much always, particularly at this time of year.**

**Graham, Gerry, Gemma and Susie**

## St Peter's News

Looking back to the St Peter's Christmas Market held on the last Saturday of November, we would like to thank everyone for their efforts in preparation and on the day. A sum of £2230 was raised for St Peter's and, following the five-yearly inspection of the Church fabric last October, we are facing some serious expenditure. So to all those who supported this event - we are indeed very grateful.

In early December, Tewin Cowper School choir sang at a carol service in aid of St Christopher's Hospice which was held in conjunction with the Wives Christian Fellowship in St Peter's. Well done to all of you – beautiful singing.

The community came together again for our 'Village Nativity' held on 9<sup>th</sup> December and we were fortunate to enjoy a dry, if cool, evening. It was lovely to see all the young families with their lanterns, enjoying the story and the pony and sheep, together with a very well behaved (real) baby Jesus.

As these notes are being written, winter has truly arrived and we are looking forward with relish to all the special Christmas services.

All of us at St Peter's wish you a very Happy & Peaceful New Year.  
PB

### St Peter's Church Thanks You

As many of you will know, during 2018 I handed over the reins as Treasurer at St Peter's to David Little; but I retain responsibility as Stewardship Officer for dealing with the various forms of giving whether they be by bank standing order, using the weekly envelopes or simply by putting cash in the collecting bag at services. Reclaiming tax under the Inland Revenue's Gift Aid scheme continues to be a valuable source of income and I continue to handle that as well.

As a new year starts, I want to thank all those who have generously supported St Peter's over the last 12 months. If any of you would like to change the way that you provide your support, for example arrange a new or alter an existing standing order, do please speak to me in church, phone me on 01438 416071 or e-mail me at [graham@grocery.co.uk](mailto:graham@grocery.co.uk).

Graham Spring

## **The Other Side of the Story**

By the time you read this, it will be over for another year. Beautiful carols, gentle adoring animals round the crib, probably a pristine crib in a stable, love and joy and friendliness in full swing and, there is nothing wrong with that. Joy in our recollection of the birth of Jesus is very appropriate.

The commercial exploitation around it is perhaps not, as your credit card statement may have revealed.

What lies behind it however could not be more different from the image we see. The reality is a woman in the latest stage of pregnancy with her husband-to-be and a donkey on a journey to fulfil a bureaucratic requirement of no benefit to them personally. They end up with no accommodation with the child being born in a stable. If you have not been to a working stable, a primitive one, they are smelly, unhygienic and not the place to have a child. How would it be reported if it had happened in Hertford?

And just try giving your child gold, frankincense and myrrh?

Was the world full of rejoicing? Well certainly not the authorities. This child was seen by Herod as a risk to be dealt with immediately and later by the temple authorities and the Romans, who mistakenly thought they had.

And, from whatever religious position you hold, it is hard to imagine that any birth has had a more profound effect on the world in the subsequent centuries. Because of the impact of human manipulation, not all of that impact has been benign and has sometimes been a travesty of the real message of love and compassion.

The birth was the first chapter. Do you know the rest of it? If not, there is an interesting book you could read and it could be free on request.



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## Tewin Tennis Club



Anyone who thinks tennis is a game that's enjoyed just around the months of Wimbledon is a little misguided. I am writing this in mid-December, and today eight men met for our weekly match at the Tewin Tennis Club courts on Upper Green. Admittedly, at 10am the courts still had frost on them, so we adjourned to the Plume for coffee, but the day was beautifully sunny and within the hour tennis was playable without the risk of a slip and tumble.

At this time of year the low sun is also a problem on bright days, and I feel certain that the ladies do not resort to a high lob into the sun when they need to win a point, like some of the men! But it's still great fun, and exhilarating to get some vigorous exercise on our lovely village courts at this time of year.

In late November the club ran a very successful quiz night. Such was the demand for tickets that we had to decamp from the Pavilion to the Memorial Hall, where 90-odd people, and over a dozen teams, formed up for a marathon, tightly contested quiz. Full marks to the quiz master, Andrew Whawell, who kept the whole event going with some tantalising questions. Thanks also go to Hazel Lee who, with the help of her family, pulled the whole thing together, and congratulations to the Gerry Hat Tricks, who were the well deserved winners (I was on that team!)

Finally, please put the date of the Tennis Club AGM in your diaries. It takes place on Friday evening, March 1, at the pavilion, Upper Green. Wine and nibbles will be served.

Peter Burgess

### **Are You Prepared For A Healthy Winter?**

A few simple steps can make all the difference to staying healthy this Winter. If you qualify for the free flu jab, get it now. Make sure you have plenty of over the counter remedies, food and other essential supplies at home.

Try to heat your home to at least 18°C (65°F) and wrap up warm. Make sure you have at least one hot meal a day and drink lots of fluids and warm drinks. A healthy, balanced diet and staying physically active can help to keep you well.

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## Tewin Stores and Cafe

We do hope you had a good Christmas and look forward to a happy and healthy New Year. Thank you to all those folks who came to our Christmas open evening in December. It was good to see so many enjoying the free mulled wine and mince pies, buying Christmas shop items and participating in the raffle.

So we start another year for your village shop with plans for the future but we are really in need of additional volunteers now. They don't have to live in Tewin, so if you have a friend nearby, please ask if they could help. We have also lost our Saturday people so the job of paid Assistant is vacant again, must be over 18 and willing to make tea and light refreshments.

I am very happy to say we have a new Treasurer, Jenny Mason, who has returned with her husband and children to Tewin after some time abroad. Please welcome Jenny to our happy band.

The date fixed for our AGM is 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 8pm in the Tewin Pavilion. Please put it in your diary but more news later.

We start our monthly lunches again on 19th January 2019 with Bubble & Squeak and sausages or egg. On 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 we will once again be hosting our very popular Afternoon Tea. There will be two sitting times, one from 1.30pm to 3pm and the second from 3pm to 4.30pm

If you haven't already, why not join our 100 club this year with a chance to win a cash prize every month. Application forms are in the shop. The more who join the higher the cash prizes!!

100 Club Monthly Draw winners for December are:-

1 <sup>st</sup>	Doreen Lloyd	£39
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Simon Newton	£19.50
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bev Barraclough	£11.70

### **Normal shop opening hours are:**

Monday – Friday: 8.30 – 4.30pm,

Saturdays: 8.30 – 12 noon,

Sundays: 9.00 – 12 noon

Linda Crawford, Vice Chairman, Tewin Shop Committee

## Tewin Table Tennis Club



Our two League teams are at their mid season point and both have achieved excellent results reflected in their lofty positions in their respective divisions.

The first team continue to hold top spot in division 3 of the St. Albans, Hatfield and Welwyn League and remain unbeaten. Much of their success so far has been due to the excellent form of Andy Reeves who has won all of his games and David Kempson who is not far behind Andy.

The second team lie in second place in Division 4 and due to the non availability of some senior players has given the team captain, John Barcroft, the opportunity to bring some more of our young and enthusiastic junior players within the club into the senior team squad.

Nathan Reeves, son of Andy, is a very talented player at 13 years old and has been playing good quality table tennis in the first and second team this season and has now been permanently promoted into the first team for the remainder of the season.

Lewis Budd, aged 15, and who has been a member of our club for over 4 years, has already played one league match and held his own playing against the top of the league table side.

Andres Howson, aged 13, who has also been a club member since he was in year 5 of Tewin Cowper School has also recently joined the second team squad but has yet to play his first match. He is a strong attacking player and will find senior match play will enhance the development of his game.

Having such young talented players who have risen through the club is very heartening and the future of the club is bright.

The Tuesday club evening, which is open to everyone of any standard, will re-open after its Christmas and New Year break on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 from 7-10pm at the Tewin Cowper School . Why not come along and give Table Tennis a try but in the meantime on behalf of the club I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2019.

John Sheridan

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# Friends of Tewin



## Carols Around The Christmas Tree

By the time you read this article we will have held our annual event, Carols around the Christmas Tree on 20<sup>th</sup> December. I hope many of you came to Lower Green to enjoy the brass band and the Tewin Cowper School

Choir. I also hope that you enjoyed singing along to your favourite Christmas songs and carols.

It was lovely to see so many villagers come along to sing favourite carols old and new.

A very big thank you to those of you who made mince pies for us. Thanks also go to the members of St. Peter's Church who sold raffle tickets. We will let you know in the February edition how much was raised. All profits will be donated to Shelter.

Our Annual General Meeting is at 6.30pm on Tuesday 19th February 2019. It will be held in the Kimberley Room of the Memorial Hall and you are all welcome.

Our first event for 2019 is the Senior Citizens Lunch which will be held on Wednesday 13th February. If you are 60 or over and live in Tewin, you are invited! Don't forget to put the date in your new diaries and look out for an invitation, showing the menu choices, coming through your door in early January. When you receive the form please return the bottom part of the form as soon as possible and by 31<sup>st</sup> January at the latest. If you misplace your form, there are spare copies available in Tewin Stores. At last year's lunch we were full to capacity so make sure you return your form in good time to ensure your place is reserved.

The Friends of Tewin Committee would like to thank you for all your support during 2018. Our events could not take place without your help.

Wishing you all a very happy and healthy New Year.

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Never mind the weather, this new year brings many uncertainties. Already stressed public services will undoubtedly become more so – both in terms of demand and finance. On top of which the uncertainty which surrounds almost every aspect of our lives is set to continue unabated.

For those that the Friends support these pressures are very real. We know that there will be new challenges, but we are confident that there are ways in which we make a real difference. But to do this we rely on your continued support. We are very grateful for the generosity of the community so please think of us if you have any unwanted goods, take them to our shop and we will make sure that they benefit those patients who need help.

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## Isabel Hospice

### **Dry January**

**1<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019**

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### **Jumble Sale**

**26<sup>th</sup> January 2:00pm – 5:00pm**

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Adult cost: 50p, child cost: 50p. Please email [AnnDavey33@gmail.com](mailto:AnnDavey33@gmail.com) with any queries.

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## Dates For Your Diary This Month

Tues	Tewin School	7-10 pm	Table Tennis 7-8pm Juniors 7-10pm Adults
Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30– 11am	Parent and Toddler Group
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 3rd, 17th & 31st	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
Mon 7th	Bowls Club	10am-1pm	Art Group
Mon 14th	Memorial Hall	7.30pm	THACS AGM
Fri 18th	Bowls Club	6.30pm	New Year Quiz
Sat 19th	Tewin Stores	12-2pm	Lunch 'Bubble & Squeak with Sausages or Egg,'
Mon 21st	Memorial Hall	7pm	Screen on the Green 'Little Miss Sunshine'
Wed 30th	Tewin stores	1.30-3pm & 3-4.30pm	Afternoon Tea

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