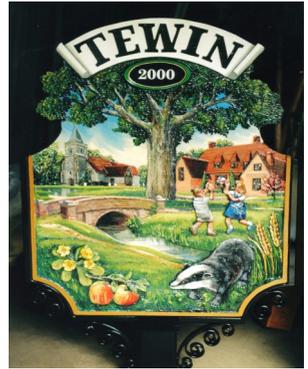




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Welcome to the March 2025 edition of the Tewin Magazine.
Our cover photo was taken by Byron Sinfield.
I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine.
Please send to tewinmagazine@gmail.com.

British Summertime begins at 1am on **Sunday 30th March**. Don't forget to put your clocks forward by 1 hour. This is also Mothering Sunday so be extra, extra kind to Mum, she's had one less hour in bed!

Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) is on the 4th.

Events this month are:

Churchyard Working Party on 8th (p27), Spring Jumble Sale on 8th (p13), Five week Lent Course from 13th (p17), Tennis Club AGM on 14th (p23) and Tewin School PTA are organising an Easter Trail on 29th (p3).

Tewin Stores are serving a lunch of Jacket Potatoes on 22nd and also sweet and savoury pancakes on the 5th (p29).

Screen on the Green is showing '*A bout de soufflé*' on 17th (p10), the Technology Advice Sessions are on 6th and 20th (p30) and Messy Church is on 16th (p8).

Further afield WGC Orchestra are performing on 15th (p28).

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

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.

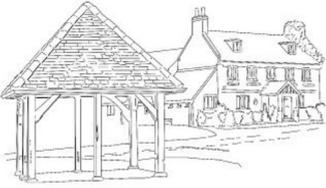
A Mobile Fish Van is at Burnham Green on Wednesdays from **12-12.30pm**. Call Kelvin on 07847 176847 for orders.

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



HELP US LOOK AFTER THE VILLAGE GREEN AND VERGES

It has been a particularly wet year which has made grass areas vulnerable and the grass along the edges of Lower Green has been worn down by vehicular traffic.

Whilst the green will rejuvenate itself when the grass begins to grow we would be very grateful if in the mean time everyone could help us by being careful not to drive over the edge of the green or grass verges.

HIGHWAYS WORKS

Godfries Close Footpath Patching Works – These have been completed except for the twitchel path between Harwood and Godfries Closes and works are scheduled for March 2025.

Give Way Sign at Holly Bushes – This has been purchased and attached to the existing post.

Boundary Signs – These are scheduled to be replaced in March 2025

TREE WORKS

Queen Hoo Lane – An Ash tree on the verge outside Highfields, which is Common Land, has dropped a large branch and the Parish Council has been advised that it needs to be removed. Traffic management will be in place when the works are carried out.

HEDGES

It's time to cut back your garden vegetation shrubs, hedges and trees in time for spring. The main breeding season for nesting birds usually runs throughout March to August, so please think now about trimming any vegetation which may be overhanging public roads, footways and footpaths in time for spring. If you have not signed up for an East Herts garden waste bin, you can take cut back vegetation to one of the HCC recycling centres.

PLOTLANDS

East Herts Council Planning Enforcement is aware of the structure on plotlands and is liaising with the owner and has advised that this may take time.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 3rd March 2025

All meetings start at 7.45pm and are held 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.

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POLICING

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Our East Herts Rural Team contact is: PCSO Sally Brooks.

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The Herts Connected system delivers Hertfordshire's police crime alerts. Registered local residents can receive the latest crime or emergency updates and alerts, as well as information about policing in your area. Local residents can get involved in helping to make their local area a safer place, tell us what police should be doing in their area and tell us what matters are causing local communities harm.

Could You Be A School Governor?

Tewin Cowper school has served our village for generations. We currently have a vacancy for a foundation governor and in particular would be pleased to hear from anyone with experience in accounts, education or HR. As a foundation governor you would also be required to affirm the Christian values and foundation of the school. This is a voluntary role and one which although requires a time commitment is richly rewarding. Please do get in contact with The Rev'd Susannah Underwood for an informal conversation if you would like to find out more.
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St Peter's Church Electoral Roll Full Revision 2025

A full revision of the church Electoral Roll will take place this year and anyone wishing to come onto, or remain on the Roll may do so by returning a completed Electoral Roll form within the period 6th April to 20th April 2025. The forms and the box to which they should be returned will be found at the back of the church during this period.
David Rawlins (Electoral Roll Officer)

Christmas Wreath Thank You

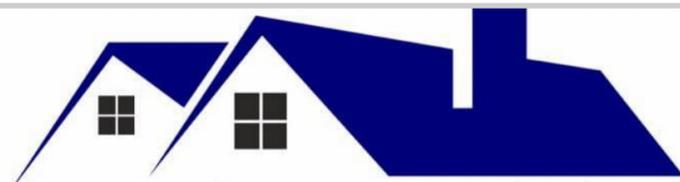
Well another year has gone past and I write to say a massive thank you to all that purchased a Christmas Wreath from The Wreath girls or contributed without even having a wreath. We made 53 wreaths and made £1,500 for the Dementia Cafe!

When I took the cheque to them there were lots of tears of joy and talk of what activities could be done with the money!

What a wonderful village we live in to support this great cause. Thank you everyone and to Louise, Gaye, Marion, David, Ann and Harriet my trusty workers.

I hope you enjoyed the wreaths!

Deirdre Hatt



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Notes from an Apiary

With a rare dry January day, cold but blue skies it's an opportunity to see how the bees are getting along and apply an "oxalic acid" treatment to reduce the number of Varroa mites in the colony. Last year we had very low Varroa counts and I think that is a result of our Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM). Winter application of oxalic acid solution is an important part of our IPM.

The image below shows the Varroa mite on bees:



In fact two bees with mites (rust coloured dots) sitting on the thorax, a problem in the hive as it would indicate a high mite count. The mites won't kill the colony but the viruses they transmit could quickly lead to colony collapse. Back to our action plan. A lovely dry day so on we go. We need our oxalic acid solution.

To make this we prepare a 1to1 sugar solution (100g sugar in 100ml water) when we have this, we dissolve sufficient oxalic acid in the syrup to make up a 3.2% solution. Care is needed in this preparation as oxalic acid presents its own hazards. We can then carefully pour this into a special "applicator". Now to the bees. As they are netted to keep woodpeckers off we need to remove the nets. Then the roof and cover board, exposing the colony. It's important to work quickly as we don't want to chill the colony. Our applicator helps this as we can easily apply a 5ml dose to each "seam" of bees. Once done replace the cover board, roof and netting. When I applied the treatment this year, I found that four of our five colonies were in a strong state with plenty of bees in the nest. However, one had not survived the early winter. Plenty of stores but no viable bees. It is hard to see this and difficult to know why, possibly just a weak or small colony not able to withstand the cold snaps we have had.

All in all it's satisfying to have executed this step in our plan. I know that we have four colonies that look in good shape, so far, never counting the "chickens". The hive with the expired colony has now been cleared from the apiary and will be cleaned up. We will sanitize the hive parts just in case there was some underlying disease that caused the failure.

It's winter but always something for the beekeeper to do.

Interesting fact, when Queen Elizabeth II died in 2022, the royal beekeeper tied a black ribbon, in a bow to each of her hives and requested that the bees stay put with a promise that their new master would treat them well.

Phil

Friends of Tewin



Well, February has flown by and with it went the Seniors' Lunch on 18th February and our AGM on 25th February.

It was a very busy month for us as we prepared for the Seniors' Lunch and our AGM and, as I write this, I am keeping my fingers crossed that the lunch went well and that those of you who joined us enjoyed your afternoon.

Our next event will be the Maypole dancing with the children from Tewin Cowper School, which is usually held on Lower Green and we will be liaising with the school to arrange a suitable date. This will be followed by our big event, the Classic Car and Crafts show which is on **Sunday 17th August** on Upper Green - a fantastic day out for families from the neighbourhood and beyond. We are always looking for helpers on the day and cake makers too! If you are interested in helping us we would be delighted to hear from you at our usual e-mail address : friendsoftewin@gmail.com

Shirley
Chair, Friends of Tewin

British Summer Time

Also known as Daylight Saving 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 daylight 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 who sadly 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.

This year the clocks go forward on **Sunday 30th March**.

Screen On The Green

Looking forward to seeing all you fans of foreign movies on **Monday 17th March** when we are showing “**A bout de souffle**” (*Breathless*) in French with subtitles.

Written and directed by Jean-Luc Godard in 1966, this is a '*Nouvelle Vague*' (New Wave) crime/drama (plus romance!) starring Jean-Paul Belmondo as Michel, a petty thief who steals a car and runs over a policeman. Penniless and on the run, he meets Patricia (Jean Seberg), a young American journalist who offers him asylum. Then Michel tries to seduce Patricia into running away with him to Italy.

A bout de souffle is a seminal work of the 'Nouvelle Vague', a classic example of the subtle humour and cinematographic grace of French cinema. It's Godard's first feature-length film and represented Belmondo's breakthrough as an actor.

So come along for an evening out at your local village film club.

Coming up:

14 th April	<i>Shakespeare in Love</i> (1998)
19 th May	<i>Ex-Machina</i> (2014)
16 th June	<i>Chinatown</i> (1974)

MONDAY 17 MARCH

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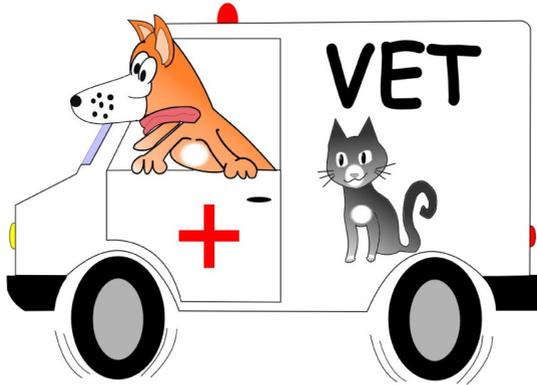
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You can bring donations to the Memorial Hall by ringing Todd Canton on 07867 803301 or Jim Hall on 01438 718505.

In addition, the Hall will be open to receive donations on:

Friday 7th March, 2pm till 4pm & 7.30pm till 9pm,
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Fri 13.30pm until 4.00 pm

Tewin Memorial Hall Draw

Here are the results for January's draw.

1st	£46	Kevin Brazier, Lower Green
2nd	£28	Hilary Armstrong, West Riding
3rd	£9	Byron Sinfield, Bishops Road
3rd	£9	Dagmar Brook, Lower Green Road

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There are several outbreaks of Avian influenza (bird flu) in wild birds and domestic flocks across the UK at present.

The health risk to the general public is very low, however it is important to follow advice to stay safe and help prevent the spread of bird flu.

Wild birds

If possible, do not touch or handle wild birds or their droppings.

If you find dead wild birds, [you can report finding them to the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs \(DEFRA\)](#). Keep your distance from wild birds as much as possible – aim to stay at least 2 metres away if you can. There are some steps which you can follow to reduce the risks:

Keep the bird outside - do not bring it into your house or an enclosed space.

Wear clothing that will stop you being injured by scratches or bites (trousers and long sleeves) and disposable gloves and eye protection (for example, goggles or glasses).

Wash clothing and eye protection after use.

Dispose of gloves by putting them in a plastic bag, tying a knot in the bag and then placing in an outside bin.

If possible, wear a surgical face mask or a multi-layered cloth face covering (which should be washed after use).

If you take the bird to a vet or animal welfare organisation or similar, phone ahead and follow their instructions about taking the bird to them.

If you take the bird in a vehicle, put it as far from you as possible in a secure ventilated box, and keep the windows open while travelling.

Dispose of any disposable items that have or may have been contaminated by the bird, by putting in a bag, sealing the bag and disposing in your outdoor bin.

Use disinfectant wipes to clean any surfaces that cannot be disposed of that have or may have been contaminated by the bird.

Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water.

Disposal of dead wild birds in household or municipal waste bins

If you choose to dispose of a dead wild bird with your household or municipal waste, you should:

Pick it up wearing disposable gloves or a plastic bag over your hand.

Put the bird in a plastic bag and tie it - make sure the bird does not touch the outside of the bag.

Put the bag containing the bird in a second (preferably leak proof) plastic bag, along with the gloves or plastic bag you used to pick it up and tie it - take care not to touch the outside of the gloves with bare hands.

Put the tied bag in your outside household or municipal waste bin.

Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water.

Further advice from <https://tinyurl.com/Avian-Bird-Flu-Advice>

Team Vicar's Letter

How are you? Now, how are you really? That's a small phrase that one member of the congregation tends to use. For those of us who tend to reply *I'm fine thank you* to the first question, it gives an indicator that the questioner is genuinely interested in our wellbeing, rather than just making small talk at the church door.

This year our diocese is also encouraging us to look honestly at ourselves and ask *How am I? How am I really?* 2025 has been set aside as a 'Year of Spiritual Renewal and Wellbeing' – and each of us are invited to look at our mental, physical and spiritual lives and to reflect on how we might attend to the wellbeing of the whole of ourself.

A new diocesan website for this year is offering a wide range of events – many of them free. There are 'quiet days' where you can join others for gentle reflection and lots of quiet space in beautiful surroundings, there are pilgrimage walks across Herts and Beds, and cycle rides too. There are online retreats, where you meet for a short time each day for a week with someone who will give you pointers on how to pray, and then leave you to be attentive to God in the day. Our cathedral has a special programme of teaching and events you can attend. Do take a look at the website and see what appeals:

www.year.stalbansdiocese.org

Or you could join with a friendly bunch from your local church community as we gather weekly during Lent for food, learning and discussion on the subject 'How people pray'. Each week the churches in the Welwyn Team will dip into a different Christian spiritual tradition (Franciscan, Ignatian, Prayer Book, Celtic, Charismatic) and learn from their wisdom how God might be encountered anew.

In Tewin and Datchworth we will meet:

Tuesdays from 11th March 7pm in Datchworth Church Hall

Thursdays from 13th March 12:30pm 30 Godfries Close, Tewin

If you fancy coming along, do get in touch.

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 ST READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL
MARCH 2nd	SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	WILL ELLIS	EXODUS 34 : 29-End	2 CORIN- THIANS 3: 12-42	LUKE 9 : 28-36
5th	ASH WEDNESDAY	HOLY COMMUNION WITH IMPOSITION OF ASHES	10.00 a.m.	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ISAIAH 58: 1-12	2 CORIN- THIANS 5:20 - 6:10	JOHN 8: 1-11
9th	1ST SUNDAY OF LENT	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	DEUTER- ONOMY 26 : 1-11	ROMANS 10 : 8-13	LUKE 4 : 1-13
16th	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT	MORNING PRAYER	9.30am	JO SAMPSON	JEREMIA H 22: 1-9, & 13-17		LUKE 14: 27-33
		MESSY CHURCH HOLY COMMUNION	3pm 6.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	GENESIS 15: 1-12 & 17-18	PHILIPPI- ANS 3: 17 - 4:1	LUKE 13: 31- End
23rd	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ISAIAH 55: 1-9	1 CORIN- THIANS 10: 1-13	LUKE 13: 1-9
30th	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT MOTHERING SUNDAY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	WILL ELLIS	2 CORIN- THIANS 5: 16-End		LUKE 15: 1-3, 11B—End

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

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5th JO SAMPSON	LINDA GILLEY			LENT	
9th ANGELA	MICK SIMMONS	GRAHAM & PAULINE SPRING	JANET ROBINS	LENT	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
16th PAULINE	ROZ HOLDEN	ROZ HOLDEN	GLORIA KERSEY	LENT	MARY GREGG
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23rd ALED	PAUL CROTTY	MARK SWANN	DI BRADLEY	LENT	DOROTHY SWANN
30th DAVID	KAREN SHAW	ELAINE FOWLER DI BRADLEY	LINDA GILLEY		VOLUNTEER NEEDED

FUNERAL

6th February 2025 Christine Sharpe

St Peter's News

A church at the heart of the village, with space for all

It is good to get January and February out of the way. The snowdrops started to appear in the churchyard at the end of January, which always brings a smile to my face. Thank you to Gerry Murphy and David Rawlins who organised the first bi-monthly working party of the year in the churchyard. The Memorial Garden in particular looks splendid now with all the leaves and debris tidied away. It is always lovely to see how many people enjoy the churchyard in family groups or just walking their dogs. Our next working party will be on Saturday 8th March. Do come along to help, there is always plenty to do and all are welcome.

Susannah was on jury service for the last week in January and the first in February. But she was still around at the weekends and in the office at St Mary's, Welwyn to take bookings for special events in our lives, such as weddings and baptisms. If you live in the village, you automatically have a qualification to be married, baptised or to have your funeral at St Peter's. The Clergy Surgery is open at St Mary's every Saturday morning from 10 – 11am.

Also at St Mary's, we have been enjoying a free concert, usually on the second Saturday in every month. These are becoming more and more popular and are very good. The church requests a donation which pays for the musicians and the rest goes to church funds.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) met in January to review the work of the church, its funds and its state of repairs, and to look forward to the events in the church calendar for the first half of the year. Among other things we agreed to the expenditure for repair of the downpipe on the north wall, and to placing a new shed on the base in the churchyard where one existed until it was burnt down some years ago. We now just have to get permission from the diocese for this. At present many church items, that are not used very often, are stored in people's garages, lofts and spare rooms and at other church buildings in the Welwyn Team.

Looking forward to March, we shall have our normal services of Holy Communion at 9.30am on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays in the month, and Morning Prayer at 9.30am on the 3rd Sunday. Messy Church is at 3pm on the 3rd Sunday, followed by a 6.30pm service of Holy Communion. There will be a special service on **Ash Wednesday morning (5th March) at 10am** for the laying on of ashes at the beginning of Lent. This is a solemn service with time for reflection at a time when we remember Christ fasting in the wilderness, and some of us give up eating chocolate for example, to commemorate this.

Throughout Lent we will be following the Welwyn Team Lent Course on how people pray in different branches of the Christian faith, now and in the past history of the church, for example the Franciscan, Celtic and other traditions. There will be classes throughout each week in various locations around the team churches - here in Tewin, they will be at my house (30 Godfries Close) on Thursdays from 12.30 for a soup lunch followed by the course from 1- 2pm, starting on 13 March. Please let me know if you are coming, for catering purposes. The final service in the month on **Sunday 30th March is Mothering Sunday**, to which all are welcome of course. This is always a joyful occasion when we celebrate our mothers, grandmothers, guardians and others who have cared for us. We give the women in the congregation posies, and take them to those unable to attend church, to say thank you for their love and care of us.

If you need support, have lost loved ones recently, or are in poor health or spirits, please remember the Welwyn team of clergy are always there for you.

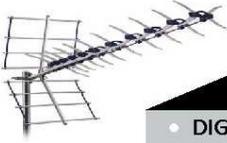
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All good wishes

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**PS Date for your diary - Church Spring Cleaning Days
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Tewin Tennis Club

It's just a couple of weeks to our Annual General Meeting, maybe less if you're late reading the Tewin Magazine. I touched on this in last month's issue, but may I reiterate how valuable it is to your club and your committee, as well as yourself, to get you to come along.

We are very keen to hear what members think about the club and how we might improve things, just as much as the committee is enthusiastic for you to know what we have been up to on your behalf. We hope that we are not working in a vacuum, but the AGM is the place for anyone to make suggestions.

The major change in 2025 is that we will elect a new Chairman/Chairwoman for the first time in 15 years. David Room is retiring, so after his usual stimulating, witty chairman's report, we can all give him a good slap on the back for the immense effort he has put in over the years.

The tennis club has evolved since David took office, as indeed any club should do. We now have a good programme of social events, plenty of regular play- whether within groups or Saturday drop-ins- new courts and occasional coaching opportunities. I had better stop there otherwise David will berate me for pre-empting his speech.

The AGM takes place on Friday 14 March, 7pm for a 7.30pm start, in the Pavilion next to the tennis courts. Come at the earlier time for a glass of wine or fruit juice, some nibbles and a chat before the proceedings kick off.

Also, we'd love to welcome a couple of new committee members, so please, *please* do consider throwing your hat in the ring. It isn't onerous, over the year involving about half a dozen convivial meetings over a drink in the Plume. In fact, it's a veritable treat!

See you on Friday 14th.
Peter Burgess



Welwyn Floral Group

Welwyn Floral Group is a friendly group of ladies (men would be most welcome too) who meet up on the first Wednesday of the month at the Welwyn Civic Centre, starting at 2pm. We invite demonstrators, some of which are NAFAS Nationals, but others that are every bit as good, to arrange 6 displays. Each demonstrator arranges within a theme and through the raffle, we get to a chance to win one to take home, which is always a pleasure. Refreshments are available.

If you would like to join us for a meeting, you may do so as a visitor on an ad hoc basis or join as a member. I have listed below the programme for the year, but I put a poster up in the shop prior to each meeting with information about the demonstrator and theme.

5th March Peter Bodnar – Spring Surprise	4th June Arnaud Metairie – Floral Fantasy	1st October David Wright – Those Summer Nights
2nd April Nick Grounds (National)– Stems & Stuff Competition – Shades of Green	2nd July Graham King – Inspirational	5th November Jackie Page – Connections
7th May Workshop	6th August Garden Party	6th December Christmas Workshop
	3rd September Angelikka Hill – Wild Kitchen	

If you would like any further information, please contact Diane on 07968-722595 or email diane@thehaggers.com



Funeral of Audrey Walters

The Funeral of the late Audrey Walters will take place on **Tuesday 4th March at 12 noon at St Peter’s Church** followed by a committal at Harwood Park crematorium.

Audrey was a long standing resident of Tewin and much involved in the life of the village and St Peter’s over many years. Amongst other things she was a classroom assistant at Tewin Cowper School and a member of the Tewin Players.

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Lady Anne Grimston

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On earth, she said. No Heaven, and when I die,
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If I am wrong, then from my grave, a sign
I'll send. In truth, I don't wish to malign
Your faith, but when we're gone, we don't defy
The earth, the worms. You're shocked! I don't know why!
You'll see, I said; from death you'll send that sign

I chose my path; she took the godless way
And then one day, I heard that she had died.
I journeyed to the churchyard where she lay;
And saw great oaks, and ash had forced aside
Her tombstone, casting light on her decay.
My Lady's epitaph; she had not lied.

Chris Parkinson



Next Churchyard Working Party Saturday 8th March 9-11am

A big thanks to those who helped in January –Alan, Andrew, Dave,
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We have had to move our popular Pancake Day to Wednesday March 5th due to Audrey Walters' funeral being on Tuesday 4th and so many wanting to be there. But on the Wednesday both sweet and savoury pancakes will be available from 10am till 3.30pm. Please come and join us at some point.

The March Saturday Lunch on 22nd will be Potatoes in their Jackets when there will be several fillings to choose from and, with a side salad, will be £6.50 - puddings and drinks extra. Again, please do join us.

Unfortunately, Katie's, our bread supplier from Welwyn, has put some of their prices up, but freshly baked bread - sometimes still hot - is worth paying that little extra for. If there is anything else you would like us to order for you from them, do please ask, and save your petrol.

You may be aware that the Memorial Hall has stopped their supporters 100 Club after many years and we wondered if you would transfer your allegiance to us at Tewin Stores where we also have a 100 Club. This would help our shop finances and give you the opportunity of winning monthly prizes. Again, the more members we have the bigger the prizes. You can obtain an application form from the shop when you next call in.

A couple more pleas.....is anyone in the village able to make us a wooden vegetable rack? We would buy all the wood needed. And we are still looking for help on a Saturday morning from 10 till 12noon, to assist in the shop and cafe with general clearing up – and maybe washing up and putting out stock on the shelves.

Next month we will be looking at Easter dates and our forthcoming AGM.

The 100 Club winners for February were:

Linda Mandall £44.50

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Tewin Over 50s Tewin Parish Council, Friends of Tewin HCC

News from Danesbury and the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospitals

I am sitting writing this article on a gorgeous sunny day in late January wondering what it will be like when you read it at the very beginning of March. It may still be cold but it will be the beginning of spring with all the beauty and renewal that that season brings.

Here at the Friends of Danesbury and the Queen Victoria Memorial hospitals we continue to be most grateful for all your generous donations which enable us to support the patients of the two hospitals and provide them with the little extras which are beyond the reach of the NHS. Recently we have used funds to renew the televisions in the QVM which as you can imagine are so important when patients who have been in the Lister or another acute hospital are having physiotherapy and trying to adjust to what has happened to them and life beyond a hospital. We have also been most grateful recently for the very generous gift of an electric piano which can either be played by a person or which will play automatically. Its memory contains a wide range of music of various different genres and so will appeal to all tastes.

We are fortunate to be given a wide variety of items to sell. If you frequent our High Street shop you will know that we have an ever changing selection of ladies' clothes, some new, always of good quality, in varied colours and styles and in all sizes. There are also clothes for children, including the uniforms of local schools and for babies. Many of the clothes for little ones are new because parents are given items which do not fit or which are not needed. So if you have children or grandchildren it is really worth coming to have a look. There are also new or good quality toys and games for children and jigsaws for the grown-ups as well as clothes for men and beautiful shoes for both men and women. Apart from clothes the charity is always grateful to receive donations of various other items which can be sold in the shop. Jewellery is cleaned and priced and sold in the shop. Unusual or collectible items are appraised and if appropriate, sold on eBay by our shop manager. This approach allows us to raise considerable sums for the charity. Please do have a look at our site <https://www.charity.ebay.co.uk/charity/i/FRIENDS-OF-DANESBURY-AND-QUEEN-VICTORIA-MEMORIAL-HOSPITAL/185273> where you will find an amazing selection of items at very reasonable prices.

We hope to see you in our shop soon. In the meantime if you have a few spare hours every week we are always looking for volunteers without whom the charity could not operate. Please contact info@danburyqvm.co.uk You will be surprised how interesting and rewarding helping behind the scenes always is.

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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 6th & 20th	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
Thurs 6th & 20th	Memorial Hall	2-3.30pm	Technology Advice
Sat 8th	St Peter's	9-11am	Churchyard Work Party
Sat 8th	Memorial Hall	2-4.30pm	Jumble Sale
Fri 14th	Pavilion	7 for 7.30pm	Tennis Club AGM
Sun 16th	St Peter's	3-4.30pm	Messy Church
Mon 17th	Memorial Hall	7 for 7.45pm	Screen on the Green 'À bout de souffle'
Sat 22nd	Tewin Stores	12.15pm-1.30pm	Lunch 'Jacket Potatoes'
Sat 29th	Lower Green	3pm	Tewin School PTA Easter Trail

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