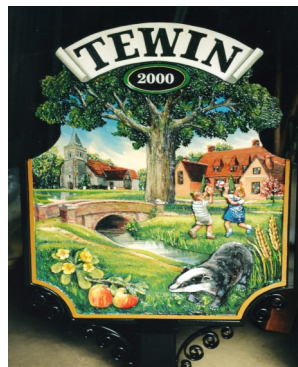




# *Tewin Magazine*

September 2025



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**Early Morning in Tewin**

## The Annual Classic Car Show



## Some of the Over 50s Club Enjoying Their Annual Outing



Welcome to the September 2025 edition of the Tewin Magazine. Our cover photo was taken by Dave Vinall on an early morning dog walk. The car show photos were taken by Byron Sinfield and the happy Over 50s Club photos by Linda Crawford. I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine. Please send to [tewinmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:tewinmagazine@gmail.com).

**Events this month:**

Tewin Stores are having a barbeque on 20th (p29).  
Technology Advice Sessions are on the 4th and 18th (p30) and Messy Church is Harvest themed on 21st.  
The Harvest Festival at St Peter's, which will include a celebration of the Rev'd Edward Cardale's 50 years of priesting (with cake!), is on the 28th (p15).  
Screen on the Green is showing 'To Catch a Thief' on the 15th (p10).  
The churchyard working party is on the 13th (p21) and the Tennis Club Doubles Competition is on the 14th (p23).

**Further afield:**

The University of Hertfordshire is hosting another FREE Live Longer Better wellbeing day on the 4th (p6).  
Herts Police Choir will be performing in aid of All Saints, Datchworth Restoration Fund on 27th (p13) and the WGC Chorus are holding an open rehearsal on 29th (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](mailto: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**



### **NEW HOUSEHOLD WASTE and RECYCLING COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS**

Please be aware that in the parish of Tewin we now have different bins being collected in different parts of the village on the same day. In particular Churchfield Road, Tewin Water, Warrengate and Marden are on a different collection schedule to everywhere else in the village.

### **REPORT A MISSED HOUSEHOLD BIN COLLECTION**

Please only report a missed collection after 5pm on the day of collection. All missed collections must be reported within 48 hours in order for East Herts Council to return.

You can report them online at [www.eastherts.gov.uk/missedbin](http://www.eastherts.gov.uk/missedbin) or call **01279 655 261**.

### **HIGHWAYS – ROAD WORKS**

**School Lane** – Affinity Water are aware of the sinking of the road outside 2 School Lane and their Street works team are investigating and hope to resolve the issue fairly soon.

### **PUBLIC LITTER BINS**

Please be sensible as to what you put in the public litter bins otherwise they overflow and cause a health hazard:

Do not stuff large bags of rubbish in them as it leaves no room for genuine litter including dog poo bags

Do not put waste food in the bins - foxes will dig it out and spread litter all over the ground

Do not put household rubbish in public litter bins.

If you are having a picnic, please take your rubbish home with you.

*NB: If your rubbish is going to fill the bin, then you should be taking it away with you.*

### **HOME SECURITY**

#### **Tips to help prevent burglary:**

- a. Check downstairs windows and doors are securely locked before you leave or go to bed.
- b. Secure UPVC doors by lifting the handle and locking it to engage the security features.
- c. Don't leave keys, phones or other valuables on window sills or in any other visible place.
- d. Securely lock rear gates, sheds and garages.



- e. Keep tools and ladders locked away, as they could be used to break into your home.
  - f. Use laminate glass where possible for any rear doors or windows. If this is not practicable, consider the use of security film over existing windows.
  - g. Use a “Fake TV” or timer switches on lamps to give the impression someone is at home.
  - h. Consider using a doorbell camera, interior camera, or a monitored burglar alarm.
- For more detailed advice, including a printable Home Security Self-Assessment, please visit the “Protect Your Home” section of : [www.herts.police.uk/ProtectYourHome](http://www.herts.police.uk/ProtectYourHome).

### **NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025.**

All meetings start at 7.45pm and are held at Tewin Memorial Hall.

### **PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION**

**Website:** [www.tewinvillage.co.uk](http://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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**Police** If you need to report a crime in progress please call 999, for all other please use 101.

## Over 50s Annual Outing



Recently, with the donation from Friends of Tewin , the Over 50s Club held their annual outing to The Ole Watermill Shopping Village at Barton-le Clay. Over 30 people went and a good day was had by all, as can clearly be seen from the photos on page 2.

If you need to know more about our club please contact Ann Kevis on 01438 717473

## Aging Well in Hertfordshire – Join the Movement

The University of Hertfordshire is hosting another **FREE Live Longer Better wellbeing day on Thursday 4 September 2025 from 9am-3.30pm**, and this year Angela Rippon CBE will bring her passion for healthy ageing to the event!

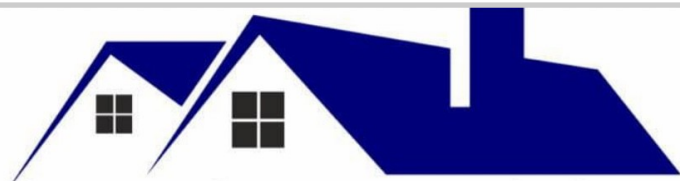
This enjoyable day offers the opportunity to take part in all-ability taster activities to keep you strong and boost your confidence and emotional wellbeing, along with expert talks and training to help you age well.

Come along and enjoy being part of a supportive and active community. Lunch and refreshments provided.

Further information and tickets can be found here:

[Live Longer Better in Hertfordshire Celebration Day 2025 Tickets, Thu 4 Sep 2025 at 09:00 | Eventbrite](https://tinyurl.com/Live-Longer-Better)

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## Notes from an Apiary

August sees the end of significant nectar flow and we need to decide when to take the summer honey harvest. Do we crop now and leave any late forage from ivy for the bees or delay and look for a bigger harvest? We are in favour of cropping mid-August, with any late honey going directly to the bees for winter.

Just as we are debating plans, in comes a message to my mailbox - "The National Bee Unit has issued a starvation alert. Colonies are running short of food following the early end of this year's nectar flow". The long, hot and particularly dry weeks have caused flowering plants to reduce nectar flow. The message goes on to suggest inspection of colonies and feeding if needed. We regularly inspect and a couple of days ago there were no signs of stress or shortage of supplies. So on with the plan, crop before end of August then start preparations for over-wintering.

Our colonies look strong so no need to do any further manipulation to join colonies. So far this year we have seen very little sign of the Varroa mite. We will continue with our Integrated Pest Management IPM programme. At this time of year, we will apply a proprietary treatment based on thymol, a natural active ingredient. This takes about 4 weeks, knocking down the mites but has no effect on the bees. Following this treatment, we will start to feed sugar syrup to the colonies to help them get through winter. We do not take any honey after we start this regimen as the honey could be tainted with the thymol treatment or contaminated by the sugar feed.

We have seen a massive number of wasps this year. Troublesome to bees but not overly concerning as colonies can defend themselves against wasps. We did have one worrying moment when we were doing our last inspection, one huge insect, a Hornet, taking a bee as it returned to the hive. Quick work swatted the insect that turned out to be a European Hornet. This was a great relief as we would not have wanted to see an Asian Hornet in our apiary, or indeed anywhere in several hundred miles of Tewin. No need to alert the UK National Bee Unit and BBKA.

Bees, they're the bee's knees! You know the phrase 'the bee's knees' but did you know that bees don't have knees as we know them? Bees have an exoskeleton, a hard covering that supports and protects their bodies. They don't have kneecaps, but they do have leg joints between the femur and tibia.

Phil

## Friends of Tewin



Thanks to Jackie, Tewin's lovely Editor, we have been able to stretch the deadline for entries in the Magazine which allows us to say a big thank you to everyone who joined us at the **Tewin Classic Car and Craft Show on 17<sup>th</sup> August**. We hope all of you enjoyed your day. We enjoyed organising the show and it is always rewarding for us to see how well the show is supported on the day.

We were, again, blessed with a beautiful day and Upper Green was soon filled with approximately 500 Classic Cars and just over 40 Craft Stalls. Our loyal, local food outlets were busy too, with the Bumpkin's popular hog roast, burgers etc and the Chicken Strip's chips all going down well. The Tewin Country Wedding Bar kept us going in the heat along with Frank's Ice Cream vans! We were delighted to have Kevin of Wings of Welwyn as our sponsor this year with his special cars and, who could miss that gleaming red Mitchells truck? I wouldn't fancy parking that in a hurry!! We were pleased to welcome back the Monday Mojos Band and, this year, Off Broadway Travel in Welwyn sponsored the Steel Pan Band, 'Steel Pan in Motion', for us which brought another 'flavour' to the show – we even had some line dancers joining in.

There are a host of people to thank too – all of you who volunteered to be part of our team to make sure the day was another Tewin Village success. The marshals helping in the car parks and on Upper Green itself, the volunteers in the Information Tent, the Tea Tent and the Pavilion, not forgetting our fantastic team of Tewin bakers who provide us with the wonderful array of cakes that were so popular on the day and, without really wishing to specifically mention any one person, a big thank you must go to Linda Crawford for all the work she does in connection with the Craft Stalls every year on our behalf.

Our final big thank you must go to the Loughrey family though, for allowing us to use their field for the public car park. They are wonderful supporters of the Car Show. It just goes to show it really is a huge village effort!

In the October edition, we will tell you how much money was raised and in the Autumn, we will start contacting Tewin groups to invite them to apply for a donation.

Time to relax now!!



## Screen On The Green

We start the new season of our village film club on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September** with ***“To Catch a Thief” (1955)***, a romantic thriller set in the south of France – a bit of escapism in a troubled world. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock it's an opportunity to watch Cary Grant and Grace Kelly at their best.

A series of ingenious jewel thefts takes place along the Cote d'Azur and a notorious but now retired cat burglar John Robie (Cary Grant) is the main suspect. Robie decides to protect himself by finding the real thief. It's a departure from Hitchcock's normal dark murderous thrillers with a light-hearted ingenious script and set in the glamorous world of the rich and famous.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Here's the programme for the rest of the year so put these dates in the calendar now.

20 <sup>th</sup> October	Pierrot le Fou (1969) <i>French</i>
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Jojo Rabbit (2019)
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Cabaret (1972)

### **MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER**

**Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start at Tewin Memorial Hall.**

**Complimentary tea or coffee. Ice cream on sale.**

**Tickets from Tewin Stores or on the door, priced £4.**

**Bring your own drinks and nibbles.**

Marie St Pier

### **September Full Moon**

The full moon in September, the Corn Moon or Harvest Moon, will occur on Sunday 7th September 2025.



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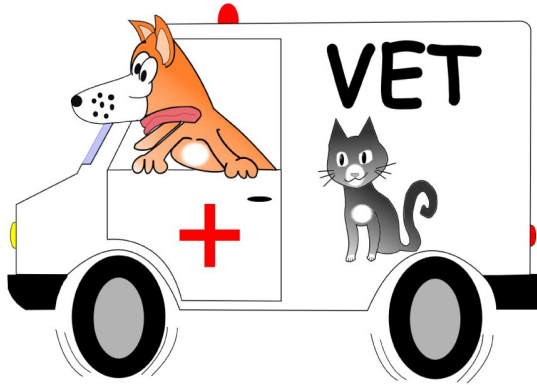
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It's never too soon to start  
thinking about Christmas...



The Christmas Bazaar is returning to the Tewin Memorial Hall on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 1-4pm for an afternoon of festive fun. Save the date!

All proceeds raised in aid of St. Peter's Church.

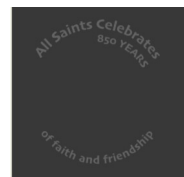
Reach out to the Tewin Elves at [tewinchristmasbazaar@gmail.com](mailto:tewinchristmasbazaar@gmail.com) if you can donate to the raffle or help in any way. We look forward to hearing from you!



**Herts Police Choir  
Saturday 27th September 2025  
7pm  
All Saints Church, Datchworth**

Come along to All Saints Church, Datchworth on 27th September 2025 for a performance by Herts Police Choir. Music will range from Mozart to Pop! All proceeds to the All Saints Restoration Fund.

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#### **Burnham Green Village Hall Post Office Open:**

Fri 9.30am until 13.00pm from 12th September

#### **Tewin Stores Post Office Open:**

Wed 9.30am until 11.30am

Fri 9.30am until 11.30am

#### **Datchworth Village Hall Post Office Open:**

Tues 9.30am until 12.00 pm from 9th September

### **HARVEST TIME AT ST PETER'S**

Come and join us at church on one or both of these Sundays  
when Harvest time will be in the air

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 3 pm Messy Church**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 9.30 am Festival Communion**

with special focus on Our Daily Bread

Gifts of food are warmly welcome to help decorate the church, and will then go to a Stevenage food bank.

### **Memorable September Dates**

**19th September 1960** First parking tickets issued in London.

**3rd September 1967** Sweden changed its rule-of-the-road. The last country in Mainland Europe/ Scandinavia to adopt the right-hand traffic rule.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC) SHOEBOXES

OCC is a project of Samaritan's Purse. It is a hands-on way for you to bless children in need across the world by filling shoeboxes with toys, personal care items, school supplies, and fun gifts.

If you would like to find out more about how you can bring joy to a child in a deprived region this Christmas, please join Sue Whitbourn and myself, Judy Puddefoot, for a drop-in coffee morning on Friday, 3rd October between 9.30 am and 12 pm at

2 Grass Warren  
Tewin AL6 0JJ  
Mob (Judy): 07789 483326

We would love you to come and discover more about this worthwhile project, with tips on how to fill a shoebox, whilst enjoying coffee and home-made cake. In addition, there will be free self-assembly shoeboxes for you to take away to get you started should you be inspired. We look forward to seeing you on 3rd October!

PS: if you would like to fill a shoebox but are unable to attend the coffee morning, you can still pick up free self-assembly shoeboxes from Tewin Stores from September.

Judy Puddefoot and Sue Whitbourn

### Memorable September Dates

**September 1735** Sir Robert Walpole becomes the first Prime Minister to move into 10 Downing St, London.

**28th September 1745** First singing of the National Anthem.

**9th September 1835** Local government constituted in the UK.

## Team Vicar's Letter

This year the BBC marked 40 years since the Live Aid concerts. In 1985 they were watched globally by an estimated 2 billion people from over 100 countries – and raised the profile of the suffering of those caught up in Ethiopia's famine at that time. Forty years on our news screens are still showing pictures of starving children. The combination of a war which has ended the means to farm, a ban on Palestinians fishing in the sea, and the blockade of food aid has meant Gazan families are facing days at a time without any food at all. Many people in Haiti, Syria, Sudan, the DRC and Afghanistan also suffer from food shortages – largely because of ongoing conflicts combined with a changing climate. It is an evil that in a world where there is such abundance, so many people still die of hunger.

Harvest festival can sometimes feel like an old fashioned and maybe childish affair. A quaint service where the church is filled with flowers and marrows and children sing of farmers and cauliflowers fluffy. Yet actually there is a theology behind Harvest which, if we engage with it seriously, should impact our contemporary understanding of ecology, food production and global politics.

Firstly, we thank God for our farmers. In doing so we recognise there is a partnership between God and human beings. Genesis tells us that God gave people a special place in creation to tend and care for the land and animals. If we do this well, then we and all creation thrive. If we fail to take our responsibility of the care of the planet seriously, then we and all creation suffer.

Secondly, we thank God for his generosity and for all the good things we enjoy. It may not be such a tradition now in family households to say grace before a meal, but some kind of daily practice of thankfulness for the food that sustains us might still be good for our souls as well as the world.

Thirdly, in response to God's generosity we are reminded to share what we have with others. Food from the congregation and children at our school will be collected for our local foodbanks. This year we are also supporting the Bishop of St Albans' Harvest Appeal *Rewrite their Future* which aims to improve access to education to 2,000 children in Uganda and Zambia.

Harvest is both a joyful and serious business, not just for farmers, but for us all. It would be wonderful to welcome you at our Harvest Festival service this year, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September 9:30am. The church will be beautiful, we will sing all the traditional harvest hymns – and enjoy together a bring and share harvest lunch, with music and a quiz. But in coming together, we will also in our small way, help change the world for the better.

Susannah

## ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 <sup>ST</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL
SEPT  7th	12th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION WITH BAPTISM	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	DEUTER- ONOMY 30: 15-End		LUKE 14: 25-33
14th	13th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  HOLY CROSS DAY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	WILL ELLIS  JOHN BURNAPP	NUM- BERS 21: 4-9	PHILIPPI- ANS 2: 6-11	JOHN 3: 13-17
21st	14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  MATTHEW APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST	MORNING PRAYER  MESSY CHURCH	9.30  3pm	JO SAMPSON  SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	PROV- ERBS 3: 13-18	2 CORIN- THIANS 4: 1-6	MATTHEW 9: 9-13
28th	15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION HARVEST FESTIVAL	9.30am	EDWARD CARDALE	AMOS 6: 1a, 4-7	1 TIMO- THY 6:6-19	LUKE 16: 19-End

### WEDDING

**29th July 2025 James Ian Cotton and Sarah Elizabeth Birch**

### FUNERAL

**14th July 2025 Geoff Searle**  
**7th August 2025 Hilary Ann Armstrong**

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21st	NICK WHITING	ROZ HOLDEN	LINDA GILLEY	PAULINE SPRING	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
28th SPIKE	IVOR WILLIAMS	SPIKE NICHOLSON  ELAINE FOWLER	GLORIA KERSEY	HARVEST	ANGELA WILLIAMS

BAPTISM

27th July 2025    Tabitha Winnie Green  
3rd August 2025    Beatrice Rose Holdway

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



## St Peter's News

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

The blackberries are ripening in the hedgerows and the apples are falling over the fence from next door's heavily laden Bramley apple tree. Ivor's team have been busy harvesting across the fields around the village. So I guess it's harvest time. Harvest seems to come earlier and earlier each year, and our Harvest Festival is late this year, on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September. Nevertheless – all are welcome. Please bring tinned or dry goods for the Food Shed at Stevenage or make a donation to the Bishop's Harvest Appeal this year helping to build schools and improve education in Uganda and Zambia through Mission Direct. Edward Cardale will be leading our service that day, when we will also be celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his priesting.

The Summer Evensongs have continued throughout August at each of the Welwyn Team churches in turn, on the theme of “*Animals in the Bible*”. At the time of writing we have had John Burnapp preaching about whales in lovely Ayot St Peter's, and a lively sermon from Christie Gilfeather at St Giles' Codicote about snakes. Incidentally, Christie is being inducted as Priest-in-charge at St Giles, where she has been the curate for the past year, on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.30pm, (and her husband Ryan's induction is on 8<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm at Hatfield Hyde). Please go along to support Christie as she continues her Christian fellowship in this way.

The other Evensongs are about oxen (St Mary's Welwyn), a leviathan (Woolmer Green), eagles at Datchworth and donkeys here in Tewin on Sunday 31 August. All services are traditionally followed by drinks and nibbles and an opportunity to meet old friends from other parishes.

In September we shall continue to have Morning Prayer at 9.30am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month, followed by Messy Church in the afternoon at 3pm. Evening Services will continue to be held for All Souls and Christmas services.

St Peter's held FOUR Baptisms in six weeks from the end of June until the beginning of August. It is always good to welcome a child into the church accompanied by their families and friends. The church has been packed for such events. It was also packed for the Memorial Service for Geoff Searle (Uncle Geoff) on 14 July, a much loved local character who had lived in the village for nigh on fifty years. And for the equally huge funeral on 7<sup>th</sup> August of Hilary Armstrong, who touched so many lives in and around Tewin. May they rest in peace.

At the end of July Susannah and the staff said goodbye to those students from Tewin Cowper School who have left this term. Good luck to them in their new schools in September!

Thank you to the churchyard working party who are keeping things tidy for us all. They meet again on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September. If you can help with general maintenance in the churchyard, please let Gerry or David know, (gerry.murphyjag@btinternet.com or drawlins31@gmail.com). The wall and new drainage system in front of the church are now completely finished. Thank you to Friends of Tewin who have helped pay for the costs of this work, together with a donation from the Parish Council. These two donations have enabled us to secure a grant from the National Churches Trust towards the costs also. The total cost was £8,700.00 plus VAT. We hope to reclaim the VAT under the Listed Places At Worship Scheme, as this is a Grade 1 listed church.

Susannah led a very successful Poetry Pilgrimage from Datchworth church to Tewin on 2 August when the weather remained charming! She will be continuing her ministry in the diocese by leading a Diocesan Retreat from 8 – 11<sup>th</sup> September.

Finally 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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## Tewin Tennis Club

A new initiative for 2025 was our Junior Tennis Camp over the first few days of the school summer holidays. With much support from our coach Josh Cozens, the numbers rose as the dates got closer and in the end we had around eight youngsters on each of the three mornings. We intend for this to become an annual fixture for Tewin Tennis Club, backing up the after school sessions Josh runs from 4pm on Thursdays once term restarts. We encourage anyone at Tewin Cowper school to come along. Details are on our website and can also be found from any committee member.

Our second significant event of the summer was the finals of the ABC competition which had been running from the end of April. Four teams of men and women players had battled it out over some tightly fought matches on Friday evenings, culminating in the grand final on Friday August 1st.

Team D faced Team C for a gritty match. After a thrilling, closely fought 11 games, Team C - Hazel Lee and Kevin Doyle - ran out of steam and succumbed to a fine victory from Roe Hill and Henrik Walker.

There was much support from club members as many had already got into the swing of our summer party, which ran through a lovely summer evening inside and outside the pavilion, with music and pizzas once more supplied by Ross.

Thanks to many, including

**Gerry, Rupert and Ann** for organising the ABC league itself - always a great way to spend a sunny Friday evening but we think this was the best year yet!

**Kevin** for sorting out (and having to carry) all the booze.

**Everyone who brought one of the delicious puddings** which are always a key event of the night.

**Ann & Ian** for the lengthy washing up duty and **all who helped** as always with the clearing up at the end of the night.

Late in July we had the completion of the Mixed Doubles, which followed the new formula of Tie Break Tens. It's a fast-paced, short-form tennis format where matches consist solely of tie-breaks, with the first players to reach 10 points winning. There are no games or sets, making it a quick and exciting way to play or watch tennis.

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Finally, the Men's and Ladies' Doubles competition takes place on September 14. Watch your inbox for more details and your chance to enter.

**TEWIN JUMBLE SALE – 11<sup>th</sup> October**  
**WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS PLEASE!**

It's almost Jumble Sale time and as always, we depend on your generosity to make the sale a success. We rely entirely on your donations so if you've had a Summer clear out or if you have just one item to donate, please contact us.

If your items are ready now to donate, please ring Jim Hall on **01438 718505** or Todd Canton on **07867 803301** to arrange to drop your items off at the Memorial Hall.

**Donations such as: Clothing, shoes, bric-a-brac, bedding/linens, books, jigsaws, toys, unwanted gifts, small household and electrical items are always needed and welcomed.**

**Large items very rarely sell at the Jumble Sale and after previous sales we have had great difficulty in disposing of them. Therefore, if you have a large item which will not fit into an average Estate Car, we cannot accept it.**

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**Please note, for the safety of our volunteers and customers, we cannot accept broken items.**

A team of residents have very kindly agreed to collect items during the week leading up to the sale. Their contact details will be printed in the October edition and on the yellow Jumble Sale flyer, which will be delivered to every house in the next couple of weeks. Spare copies of the flyer will be available in Tewin Stores.

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## **A New Meeting Room for St Peter's Tewin**

Many of you will remember that we have been trying to obtain permission to build a new meeting room at our lovely village church, to include accessible toilets and a kitchenette, plus some extra storage. Last summer, June 2024, we produced the documents requested by the diocese to support this – these are on display at the back of the church. They include Statements of the Significance and Needs of the church, together with an appraisal of the options for where a new building might be situated.

We had a huge round the table discussion with all the stakeholders - the DAC, local councillors, local authority planner and conservation officer in September 2024. We also enlisted further advice from the Enhanced Advisory Service of Historic England. Consequently, it has taken a long time for all stakeholders and the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) to reach consensus on the size and location of the building. The DAC were very complimentary about our documentation. The new building is now likely to be beside the south east corner of the chancel, beyond where the south porch stands at present, on the site where a vestry stood until 1903. It might be accessed via a door in the chancel which was blocked up when the vestry was moved to the front (north) of the church at that time, but could also easily be reached from the south porch during services. Nothing is yet agreed.

Meanwhile our architect, Yasmin Shariff, who has given us enormous help up to now, is retiring and probably moving out of the area. We are looking to engage a new architect to take the project forward by producing some outline designs for the building. Once we have an agreed design and an idea of costs, we will start fund raising in earnest.

We are also applying for planning permission and a faculty from the church to replace the shed which once stood on the base in a corner of the eastern part of the churchyard, which we will use for extra storage.

It should be a joy to be adding a necessary building and facilities to our Grade 1 listed village church but it is hard going and we need immense patience!! We hope the village will continue to give us support for this important project which should ensure we continue to have a place of worship with suitable facilities for future generations in Tewin.

Linda Gilley, Churchwarden and Leader of the project team,  
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We have now attended the Classic Car Show on Upper Green and Burnham Green Bank Holiday Fete hoping to reintroduce Tewin Stores to old customers - and attract some new ones to our local Village Shop. We have lots to offer in both food and drink, some of which will be new to them.

We also want to see if we can get more people to volunteer their time in the shop.

We are such a happy, mad (!) lot and certainly hope we can encourage more people to join us.

Another project is on the way; we hope to sell apple juice with our own label on it; and for that we shall need lots of apples. So, if you have a glut of apples you don't need, please remember us when the time comes. As we haven't finalised details before going to press, please contact the shop and leave your details if you can offer your help.

Thank you especially to our allotment friends for their donations of surplus veg. In fact we are grateful for any fruit or veg. that you are willing to donate.

You may have noticed that we have had problems with the lid of our newspaper box; we have replaced the brackets several times but unfortunately they still get broken.

We are working to find a more satisfactory solution.

The next lunch is our popular BBQ which can be eaten in the shop, or had as a takeaway. Usual time 12.15 till 1.30pm on September 20th.

During this lovely hot weather, I hope our dog walkers (who are welcome in our shop) stop on their walk and pick up a hot or cold drink.

The 100 club winners for August are :-

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



## **News from Danesbury and the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospitals**

As I sit writing at the beginning of August it is a grey, gloomy day – nothing like our earlier heatwave – and as you read this it will already be September. It may be glorious but it will be the beginning of Autumn, holidays will be coming to an end and children will be going back to school.

The Charity Shop in Welwyn High Street run by Friends of the Danesbury and Queen Victoria hospitals has been busy over the summer – sales have been excellent so thank you to all of you who have both donated items for us to sell and to those of you who have come and bought items from us. We are most grateful and as always have been using those funds for the benefit of the patients of the two hospitals.

A holistic therapist, who had been recommended as a person to support the wellbeing of patients, recently completed a 12 week trial and, as the feedback from both patients and staff had been very positive, the Friends have agreed to fund treatment for a further 12 weeks. The provision of this therapy will again be assessed and may be renewed at the end of this new period.

The flower beds at the two hospitals have been glorious and the Friends have now provided a new shed so that our hospital grounds volunteer can store his tools. I am very pleased to be able to report that he has completely refurbished the benches in the grounds which are much appreciated by those patients who go outside as well as by the staff.

This month the Friends have also agreed to a request by the neurological outpatients and community stroke nurse for a set of Lejrelet support cushions. This set includes a long, cylindrical support cushion, designed for full body positioning to help patients with Multiple Sclerosis. Unlike other body pillows, it is filled with foam granulate, which means that it is pressure-relieving while also providing tactile stimuli and stability.

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**Jennifer Fowler**

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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 4th & 18th	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
Thurs 4th & 18th	Memorial Hall	2-3.30pm	Technology Advice
Sun 14th	Tennis Courts Upper Green	10am-3.30pm	Tennis Club Doubles Competition
Mon 15th	Memorial Hall	7 for 7.45pm	Screen on the Green 'To Catch A Thief'
Sat 20th	Tewin Stores	12.15pm-1.30pm	Lunch 'Barbeque'
Sun 21st	St Peter's Church	3pm	Messy Church
Sun 28th	St Peter's Church	9.30am	Harvest Festival

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