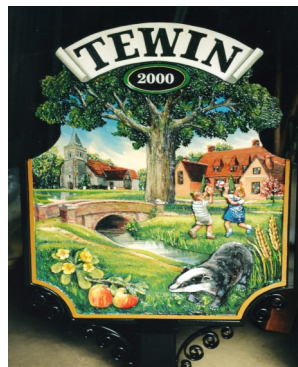




Tewin Magazine

December 2025



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Merry Christmas

CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE

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Welcome to the December 2025 edition of the Tewin Magazine and a very Happy Christmas to all our readers. I hope you've enjoyed the Magazine over the last year. Can I just remind you that payment for 2026 is due in January. See page 15 for details.

Events this month:

Craft and Gift Sale on 6th (p6), Bowls Club Quiz on 12th (p27), Screen on the Green is showing 'Cabaret' on the 8th (p10) and the Technology Advice Session is on the 11th (p30).

There will be multiple opportunities to sing Christmas Carols and listen to Christmas Music this month at:

Tewin Nativity on 14th (p8),
Carols on The Green on 18th (p2) and
St Peter's Candlelit Carol Service on 21st (p13).

Further afield:

A concert by WGC Orchestra and Chorus on 13th (p28) and Hertford Chamber Choir are performing in Welwyn on 20th (p24).

Details of Church Services over the Christmas period can be found on p13.

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

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I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine. Please send to tewinmagazine@gmail.com.

Please continue to send contributions for future editions of the magazine to tewinmagazine@gmail.com. Due to the Christmas closure of our printers, Triographics, the deadline is the **11th** of the month, but the earlier the better.
—Jackie Murphy, Editor

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TEWINBURY MUSIC FESTIVAL LICENCE APPLICATION - 25/1695/PL

We have been notified that there is a new licence application to hold a two day music festival annually for 19,000 (nineteen thousand) people on the Tewinbury fields on the right hand side of Churchfield Road as you go down to the B1000. Tewin Parish Council will be responding to the application.

The documents are available to view on the Tewin Village website.

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NEW 388 BUS SERVICE

388 - NEW SERVICE from 3rd November on weekdays to and from Welwyn Garden City and Welwyn North Station

Please see page 16 and Tewin Village website for the timetable.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Monday 1st December 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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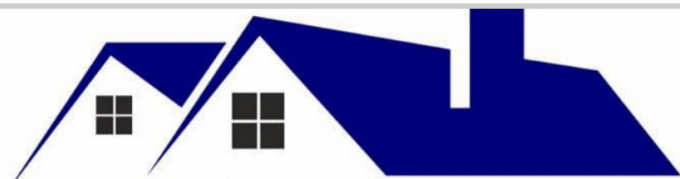
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Friends of Tewin



As I write this article, it certainly doesn't feel like Christmas weather-wise and although I know it can change very quickly, we are obviously hoping that this mild, dry(ish) spell will still be with us for our **Carols around the Christmas Tree** on Lower

Green on **18th December starting at 6.30 pm** where we will be serving our usual mince pies, hot chocolate and mulled wine and leading the singing will be our Brass Band. Should we be unlucky, as we were last year, and the heavens open, you are all welcome to join us in Tewin Cowper School Hall. Posters will be going up around the Village shortly as a reminder. We look forward to you being with us.

A few other dates for your 2026 diary:

Through the joint efforts of Friends of Tewin, the Jumble Sale Committee and the Memorial Hall Management Committee the Memorial Hall is now the proud owner of a dishwasher. This will be available to anyone using the Hall kitchen for functions so we propose to have a short demonstration of the very simple workings of the machine at 7 pm on **Monday, 5th January**. So please come along and then you will be able to make good use of the machine when your Group is using the Hall. Short cycles available too!!

Preparation for the Seniors' lunch on **Tuesday, 17th February** in the Memorial Hall is well under way - we will certainly be making use of the new dishwasher that day!! Flyers will be popping through your letter box early in January so, if you are 60 or over, look out for the flyer coming through your letterbox in the New Year. Please get your forms filled in and returned as soon as possible.

Next comes the Friends of Tewin AGM. This is booked for **Tuesday 24th February** in the Parish Room, Memorial Hall at 6.00pm. Please come along and find out all about us. We are very lucky to have a large number of volunteers to help us at our major event – the Classic Car and Craft Show - but we are urgently looking for new members to join our small Committee to work alongside us during the year and bring new ideas and help with the planning of future events. Please contact us at our usual e-mail : friendsoftewin@gmail.com and we will be very happy to chat.

In signing off for this year, our Committee would like to thank you so much for supporting us at all our village events during 2025. We wish you a very happy, healthy Christmas and offer you our best wishes for 2026.

Shirley, Chair, Friends of Tewin Committee

Screen On The Green

Our December film, showing on Monday the 8th is the classic musical ***Cabaret (1972)*** starring Liza Minelli, Michael York, Helmut Griem and Marisa Berensen.

Set in Berlin in 1931 during the Weimar Republic, it tells the story of Sally Bowles an American cabaret singer who performs at the Kit Kat Klub, Brian Roberts a British academic who is finishing his university studies and Maximilian, a wealthy decadent playboy. It is based on the life story of Christopher Isherwood who co-wrote the screenplay.

With great performances and evocative musical numbers, *Cabaret* is a stylish, socially aware classic. It won an amazing 8 Oscars (but not Best Picture!) and was selected for inclusion in the US National Film Registry.

So come along for a fun evening at our local village film club. And who knows, maybe there'll be some mince pies as well.

Films to look forward to next year include *Dirty Dancing*, *The Ballad of Wallis Island* and *The Death of Stalin*.

MONDAY 8 DECEMBER

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

December 4th: Cold Moon

The December Full Moon, known as the Cold Moon, will occur on 4th December 2025. It is the third consecutive Supermoon and the most extreme Full Moon until 2042.

To get a good view of a Supermoon a clear sky is preferable and you can just use your eyes, though a telescope or binoculars will help.

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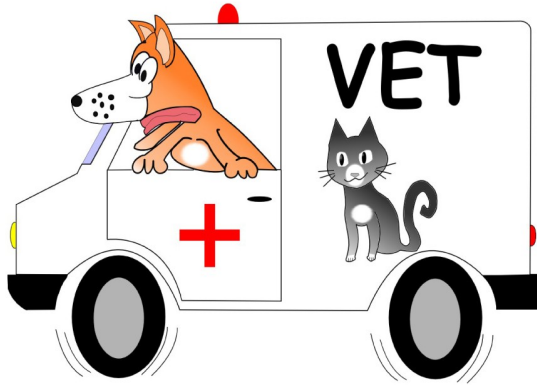
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Christmas at St Peter's Tewin

14th December

4pm Tewin Nativity *

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21st December

6:30pm Carol Service

Christmas Eve

3pm Crib Service *

11:30pm Midnight Mass*

Christmas Day

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Tewin Magazine Subscriptions 2026

Annual subscriptions for 2026 will be £10 for the whole year, which as a nice round sum will have the advantage of making it easier for collectors in these days when people tend not to have loose change readily available. So, £10 cash or a cheque payable to “St Peter’s Church Tewin PCC”. Please note that there will not be a Sum-up machine available for paying subscriptions. At this price it is hoped that it can remain unchanged for at least two years, unless we experience a significant increase in printing costs during that period.

Individual copies of the magazine will continue to be available each month in the Church and in Tewin Stores, priced at 90p each for 2026.

We believe that each copy of the magazine represents very good value as it has many articles of interest to local residents as well as details of services at St Peter’s Church and other events scheduled for the month ahead.

Bus Times (from November 2025)

The 388 is back!

Until August 2015 Tewin had a regular bus service which ran from Hertford to Welwyn Garden City, including to the local stations, five or six times Monday to Saturday. The new service runs to Welwyn Garden City, via Welwyn North, and back five times daily, Monday to Friday. It is understood that the 204 and 378 will continue to run.

204 - Tuesday, Thursday and Friday to and from Morrisons and Welwyn Garden City town centre

378 - Monday, Wednesday and Friday to and from Hertford bus also goes to Stevenage but no return journey

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<https://bustimes.org/services/388-tewin-welwyn-garden-city>.

Timetables for all these services can be found at the bus stops and on the Intalink website: www.intalink.org.uk/services (including a printable pdf version).

Tewin – Welwyn Garden City

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MONDAYS TO FRIDAYS

from 3rd November 2025

Notes:

Tewin, Upper Green Rd, Rose and Crown PH	0857	1007	1107	1207	1407
Burnham Green, Orchard Road	0904	1013	1113	1213	1413
Welwyn North Railway Station, Stop A ➡	0911	1019	1119	1219	1419
Welwyn G City, Bessemer Rd, opp Nursery Hill	0917	1025	1125	1225	1425
Welwyn G City, Bessemer Rd, Business Parks	0924	1031	1131	1231	1431
Welwyn Garden City Bus Station ➡	0927	1034	1134	1234	1434

Welwyn Garden City – Tewin

MONDAYS TO FRIDAYS

from 3rd November 2025

Notes:

Welwyn Garden City Bus Station, Stop A ➡	0935	1040	1140	1335	1435
Welwyn G City, Bessemer Rd, Business Parks	0938	1043	1143	1338	1438
Welwyn G City, Bessemer Rd, Nursery Hill	0941	1046	1146	1341	1441
Welwyn North Railway Station, Stop B ➡	0947	1052	1152	1348	1448
Burnham Green, Orchard Road	0953	1058	1158	1355	1455
Tewin, Upper Green Rd, opp Rose and Crown PH	0959	1104	1204	1402	1502

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Team Vicar's Letter

Sometimes it strikes me as odd that many of us spend so much time preparing to be as ready as possible for a 'perfect Christmas'. Why is it that out of all the seasons we celebrate somehow we think this one should have the perfect meal, the perfect presents, the perfect family with which to enjoy it – because the story at the heart of it all is far from that kind of idea of perfection.

When Jesus was born it seems few of those involved were perfect or prepared! We have the unmarried, heavily pregnant teenager, Mary, carrying a baby which is not Joseph's, travelling miles from home to be counted for the Roman census. There is no booking.com or Trivago, all the places to stay are full and, as we know, baby Jesus, the King of Kings, is born not in luxury but in dirt and straw. As Jews living under occupation this young family knows what it is to be an outcast in society, indeed will soon find themselves as refugees fleeing the wrath of Herod.

The first Christmas was raw - not perfect. It may be that circumstances this year mean that 'raw' is closer to how you feel, if so, God meets you there. It may be that circumstances mean this is a particularly special Christmas filled with the joy of angels, if so, God meets you there.

God was incarnate in Jesus (that is, God came to us in pinchable, touchable flesh and blood) to meet us: whatever our circumstances, however prepared or unprepared we are, however raw or joyous we feel.

The Christmas message is this; that despite the messiness of the world and of our own lives God loves us, he came to us, and comes to us still.

And that is a good reason to celebrate whether or not the turkey arrives in time.

Wishing you and your families all the love of the Christ child this Christmas, Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 ST READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL
DEC 7th	2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ISAIAH 11: 1-10	ROMANS 15: 4-13	MAT- THEW 3: 1-12
14th	3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	HOLY COMMUNION TEWIN NATIVITY	9.30am 4pm	WILL ELLIS SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ISAIAH 35: 1-10	JAMES 5: 7-10	MAT- THEW 11: 2-11
21st	4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT	MORNING PRAYER	9.30am	USHA HULL	ISAIAH 7: 10-16	ROMANS 1: 1-7	MAT- THEW 1: 18– End
		CAROL SERVICE	6.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
	CHRISTMAS EVE	CRIB SERVICE	3.00pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
		MIDNIGHT MASS	11.30pm	NICKY JACKSON			
25th	CHRISTMAS DAY	ALL-AGE COMMUNION	10.00am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
28th	1st SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	TBA	ISAIAH 63: 7-9	HEBREWS 2: 10-End	MAT- THEW 2 : 13– End

Church Tower will be floodlit on Christmas night in ever Loving Memory of the Fish family. Mum, Dad, Jim, Nan, Popeye and Ian. Deeply loved and missed always. With such Happy Memories. Graham, Geraldine, Gemma & Susie

ROTAS					
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DEC 7th ANGELA	PAULINE SPRING	CLARE RAWLINS DI BRADLEY	QUEENIE SIMMONS	ADVENT	DOROTHY SWANN
14th SPIKE	MARY GREGG	SABINE STANLEY ELAINE FOWLER	ROZ HOLDEN	ADVENT	GLORIA KERSEY
21st	ELAINE FOWLER	ROZ HOLDEN	LINDA GILLEY	ADVENT	JANET ROBINS
	TBA	MARK SWANN ANNE LAND	PCC		
24th		MAVIS HAGGAR	N/A	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	CHRISTMAS
	LINDA GILLEY	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED			
25th	DAVID KEMPSON	GRAHAM & PAULINE SPRING	TBA	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	DITTO
28th ANGELA	MICK SIMMONS	SPIKE NICHOLSON GRAHAM SPRING	TBA	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	JULIA KEMPSON

BAPTISM

12 October 2025 Eliza Rose Newton

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

There were over 80 people, including youngsters, present at the War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War, which somehow seemed appropriate. It was a mild, sunny day, and many folk stayed for the service inside the church, which this year was conducted by Catherine Jupp. Gerry Ruddock played the trumpet beautifully (with apologies to him for getting his name wrong in the last magazine).

The churchyard working party had cleaned off some of the moss on the War Memorial and swept the area free of leaves.

Leaves have stayed on the trees for longer than in the past few years and suddenly there has been a huge leaf drop. This has resulted in the Memorial Garden and some graves being covered in leaves. This may appear unsightly to some and make things difficult for people coming to the graves of loved ones. Please bear with us. Members of the churchyard working party will be going down every week at least, from now until the middle of January to try to keep the area tidy. We are always looking for help here. Most of the working party are over 70, very active, still playing tennis, walking, and so on, but we could do with some help from younger people where possible please. Let Gerry or David know if you can help.

(gerry.murphyjag@btinternet.com or rawlins31@btinternet.com). For the rest of the year, a bi-monthly tidy up works well and we receive many compliments on the state of our churchyard and indeed the church itself.

I have been reading my parents' wartime correspondence. They wrote to each other from the beginning of 1941 until my father was demobbed in March 1946. I have recently read about the autumn of 1944. My father is in Belgium, billeted in a café/restaurant run by Maurice, his wife and mother-in-law. I think the writers of 'Allo 'Allo must have been there. They described life under the Nazis to my Dad. They listened to the BBC news every night at 9 o'clock with the Germans carousing in the rooms below. The thing is the Belgians and the French have been liberated. My mother sees newsreels of British soldiers marching through Brussels on Armistice Day. In London that

year not a single wreath was laid at the Cenotaph. We were still at war and my grandparents' house was severely damaged that November by a V2 flying bomb. All the windows were blown out and there was a big hole in the roof. And it was bitterly cold. We must always be thankful for those who fought for the Allies and who finally brought peace to the world 80 years ago.

Our All Souls service in early November brought people together who have lost loved ones. It is a time for reflection and giving thanks for lives well-lived.

The PCC met in November and approved the appointment of a new architect to take forward our project for a new meeting room. Mark Eddison is now going ahead with finding a surveyor for the trees in the churchyard and for a topographical survey to identify any hidden graves. His company will then draw some designs for us to consider. Looking forward to the Christmas period, we are bringing back the Tewin Nativity at 4pm on 14th December when, like a Medieval Mystery play, we shall process around the churchyard to see a dramatization of the Christmas story. Our Annual Carol Service is on Sunday 21st December at 6.30pm. On Christmas Eve we have the popular Crib Service at 3pm, followed by Midnight Mass at 11.30pm. Christmas morning there will be an All-age Communion service at 10am. These are all times when it is good to bring the village together to celebrate a time of peace and joy. All are welcome.

Christmas can also be a lonely time for people, a time when memories of times past come back to haunt us. Please remember neighbours and friends and if you need support at this time, the Welwyn Team of clergy are there for you.

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Tewin Tennis Club

Christmas greetings to all, not just tennis club members but everyone in Tewin too. Your tennis club has had a fine and varied year, which we'll cover in more detail in the January issue.

Meanwhile, just a reminder that we are a 24/7 tennis club. I write this having just returned from a very sociable Saturday morning's men's mix-in which started off cloudy and later descended into mizzle that deterred no-one at all. We rounded off the morning with coffee in the Plume of Feathers. Inevitably.

So please don't discount playing right through the Christmas holidays when you feel a need for a bit of exercise. The on-line booking system means you can check court availability at the touch of a button.

November saw our annual Quiz Night in the pavilion, brilliantly organised by Hazel and Mark, with quizmasters Chris and Gerry dealing with the occasionally raucous competitors with aplomb. It was all great fun, helped along by an especially good fish and chip supper half way through. One of the five teams won, but it's hard to remember who they were.....

Instead, congratulations can go to David Rawlins and Neil Whiskin, champions of the delayed club men's doubles competition. It was closely fought.

Thanks go the Tewin Parish Council for cutting back the trees around the courts. Many of us took part in the planting of shrubs and trees against the new wall at the back of the courts. The (somewhat optimistic) hope was that in time a screen would be established to mitigate low sun in players' eyes. Well, almost a couple of decades later, it does help on occasions, but the growth was getting a bit wild so a trim was in order.

Finally, it is especially pleasing to report that we were able to run another successful junior tennis camp, this time over the October half term. Manifested by our chairman Mike Purser and coach Josh Cozens, the formula combines great tennis coaching with a large dose of fun. Keep an eye out for this again in 2026.

Peter Burgess

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Shire Park (Tewin) Bowls Club

Outdoor bowls has finished for the year and we are now concentrating on indoor activities - carpet bowls and table tennis and our social events which are also open to guests from the village. We have hosted a couple of Kevin's Crazy Quiz Nights (don't forget the last one of the year on Friday 12th December) and an enjoyable fireworks evening on 5th November.

We also have our annual New Year's Eve bash coming up with singing and dancing to Ami P! Keep your eyes open for posters re tickets which will be available from Brenda in the shop and at the bar at the club from the beginning of December.

On the social side we are increasingly looking to use the club facilities, which can cater for up to 100 people comfortably, for outside event hire. We have had 3 successful events in November – a Birthday Party, a Wake and a Baby Shower - and if you are interested please give me a call.

We continue to thank our sponsors/supporters, especially Tewin Mill (Paul Ugo) and The Friends of Tewin. If anyone else would like to support the club please give me a shout!

Thanks and Merry Christmas

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Tewin Stores and Cafe

Another year almost gone and perhaps not the best financially for the shop; but we continue to enjoy serving you all; and thank you to those who continue to support us.

Next year we have plans to continue to upgrade the shop both in structure and new products.

Happy to say the Christmas Hampers are selling well and the Tewin apple juice, which I am told is nice warmed on these cold days.

The knitted Christmas puddings have appeared again and make nice table or tree decorations. And have you bought your raffle tickets yet?

We are looking for one or two people who would be willing to clean the shop.

The volunteers clean when they have time but it would be nice if it could be cleaned more regularly. Please contact Bev at the shop if you could help.

There will be no Saturday lunch in December but we hope to see you again next year.

The 100 club winners for November were:

1st Prize	Clive Evans	£47.00
2nd Prize	Mavis Haggard	£23.50
3rd Prize	Simon Newton	£14.10

Christmas Shop Times:

December 24th closing at 12 noon

December 25/26/27/28 closed all day

Mon 29th - Wed 31st normal hours

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News from Danesbury and the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospitals

Here we are once again nearly at Christmas, a season of mixed emotions – beloved by children of all ages but perhaps not always quite so much by the adults on whom all the expense and hard work falls. As you can imagine no one likes to be in hospital for Christmas but for some it will happen and this is one season when our charity, the Friends of Danesbury and the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospitals, can be really effective, providing parties at both hospitals and small gifts and other treats for the patients.

In my last newsletter I wrote about the tournament at Welwyn Tennis Club on 5 October and the generosity of the Club in choosing the Friends as their charity. I am now very happy to report that the event raised £6,300 for which we are truly grateful.

I also spoke a little about the Annual General Meeting of our charity which was held in the Danesbury hospital on 23 October. It was well attended this year. Marianne Hawes, our then chairman, gave a report on the activity of the charity throughout the year. She explained that the Danesbury hospital is now a specialist Neurological Centre providing a wide variety of rehabilitation treatments for both in and out-patients, with a variety of neurological problems. Treatment options are designed around individual patient needs. The hospital receives good support from the NHS Trust and there is a continuing determination to establish it as the centre of excellence for Hertfordshire.

The Queen Victoria hospital has a broader remit and caters for patients who have had a stroke or other medical, surgical or orthopaedic illness and who need rehabilitation after being in the Lister or another acute hospital. Staff at the QVM strive to help patients reach their full potential and maximise their independence. They have also recently introduced a 4-chair bay Community Treatment Clinic where patients can receive various treatments such as intravenous antibiotics, wound dressings and blood tests on an outpatient basis.

This year the profit from our shop in Welwyn High Street and eBay sales has been such that the Friends charity has been able as usual to fund arts and crafts clubs, a gardening club and beauty therapy. They are also, for the first time, funding holistic therapy for patients at both hospitals. This has been found to be therapeutic to both their physical and emotional wellbeing.

Marianne has now retired as chairman of the charity after five very successful years. The Friends are most grateful for all her hard work and inspirational leadership. Her place has now been taken by Tony Stowe, a very experienced trustee, so the charity is again in safe hands.

May I wish everyone a very happy Christmas. Thank you all for taking an interest in the Friends charity and visiting our charity shop. We still have cards and gifts if you are short of last minute ideas.



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Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30– 11am	Parent and Toddler Group
Wed	Burnham Green	12-12.30pm	Mobile Fish Van
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 11th	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
Thurs 11th	Memorial Hall	2-3.30pm	Technology Advice
Sat 6th	Memorial Hall	10-4pm	Craft & Gift Sale
Mon 8th	Memorial Hall	7 for 7.45pm	Screen on the Green 'Cabaret'
Fri 12th	Bowls Club		Quiz
Sun 14th	St Peter's Church	4pm	Nativity
Thurs 18th	Lower Green	6.30pm	Carols on the Green
Sun 21st	St Peter's Church	6.30pm	Carol Service

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