

# ***THACS***

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

### **NEWSLETTER JULY 2016**

#### **Chairman's Introduction**

The Autumn Show will be held in Tewin Memorial Hall on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September. Please support this event by exhibiting some of your handiwork and coming along to see the show in the afternoon (doors open at 2:00pm).

The *THACS* committee is still seeking a new secretary, so we'd love to hear from you if you think that it could be you. If you would like to know more, please 'phone me (01438 717545) or the current Secretary Jim Hall (01438 718505).

Ray Keppler (Chairman)

#### ***THACS* Events**

For ease of reference, here are the dates and titles of our events, together with the closing dates for the associated bookings.

| <b>Date</b>                | <b>Event</b>           | <b>Closing date for bookings</b> |
|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 13 <sup>th</sup> July      | Visit to Savill Garden | Extended to 6 <sup>th</sup> July |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> September | Autumn Show            | 11 <sup>th</sup> September       |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> October   | Arts & Craft fair      | No booking required              |

#### **Forthcoming Events**

##### **Visit to Savill Garden on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

If you have already booked your place on this visit, please remember that the coach will leave from the bus stop opposite the Rose and Crown at 9.30am.

There are still places available, so if you wish to come but have not already booked, it is not too late but you'll need to book soon. The prices for this visit are £20 for *THACS* members and £23 for non-members. Further details can be found in the April edition of this newsletter and on the *THACS* page on the village website [www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/). Please fill in the booking form and send it, with your cheque (payable to *THACS*) to:-

Ray Keppler, 15 Upper Green Road, Tewin AL6 0LE by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July.

You can get the booking form from the website or from Tewin Stores.

## Autumn Show on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September

The Autumn Show is a great time for you to display your achievements in growing flowers, vegetables and fruit in your garden or allotment and to show off your skills in arts, crafts, culinary and photography. The range of categories is expansive and includes flower arranging, flowers, vegetables & fruit, arts & crafts, photography and culinary, so I am sure that you can select some suitable categories to enter. So go on, take a look at the categories and have a go. You never know, you could be a winner!

Show schedules, rules and entry forms accompany this newsletter. Extra copies can be down-loaded from the *THACS* page on the village website

([www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/)) or you will be able to get paper copies from Tewin Stores after 1<sup>st</sup> August.

If you are going to exhibit anything at the show, please note that:-

- Entry fees remain unchanged at 30p per entry for members, 60p for non-members and free for children.
- Please provide your entry form and entrance fees by Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September to Ray Keppler, *THACS* Show Secretary, 15 Upper Green Road, Tewin, Welwyn, Herts AL6 0LE.
- No entries will be accepted after 12:00 Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September so please submit your entry forms and fees in good time.
- Exhibits should be taken to the hall between 8.30am and 10.30am on the day.

Even if you're not entering anything yourself, you will be welcome to see the show - free of charge – when the doors open to the public at 2:00pm. You will be able to see all of the exhibits in the main hall, corridor and Parish Room and to indulge in tea and cake before the presentation of prizes at 3.30pm. Afterwards, you will have the opportunity to purchase some of the exhibits yourself, in aid of Saint John of God Hospitaller Services (Digswell Nurseries).

We look forward to seeing you there.

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## Recent Events

### Open Gardens on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

The Tewin Open Gardens event offered a rare opportunity to explore the secrets of hidden and private gardens that are not usually open to the public.

Nine local gardens opened to visitors and there was a very wide variety of garden sizes, designs and styles including Tewin Allotment Association, who kindly opened the allotments. The other open gardens included shady woodland gardens, Thrift cottage (with its great emphasis on working with the environment), sunny pristine town gardens and most types in between. With such a wide diversity, it was not surprising that all of the visitors seem to have found at least one garden that they loved. Some visitors came to just enjoy the gardens, whilst others were seeking inspiration and a chance to swap gardening tips and ideas. It seems that they all found what they were looking for and enjoyed the event.

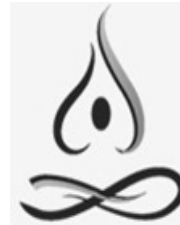
The previous week had started with dire forecasts for the weather but, as it progressed, we saw a steady improvement and we had the best day saved for the open gardens event. With a warm sunny day, the number of visitors to our village was tremendous: - more than three hundred people toured the various gardens around Tewin.

Once again, the plant stall run by Maureen Yates was hugely popular and generated over £200 for Tewin Stores, whilst the refreshments provided by Ann Lee and her helpers raised over £700 for Isabel Hospice.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation goes to all of the Open Garden owners, whose inspirational gardens were a pleasure to see.

We are always on the lookout for new gardens to add to the open garden day; we look for a variety of different gardens ranging from the small courtyard to the large stately type. No matter the size of your garden if you are interested in opening for our next event please let us know. It's never too soon to start planning!

## Tewin Pilates



Pilates classes held in Tewin Pavilion,  
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### Day Classes:

Mon, 8.30am & 1.15pm, Tues, Weds, Thurs,  
& Fri, 9.15am, 10.30am & 11.45am

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