



# Tewin Magazine

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## **Editorial Note**

Welcome to our March edition. We have yet another busy month ahead of us. The Photography Workshop will be on the 2nd and the Writing Workshop on the 16th (p6). The Jumble Sale will be held on the 14th (p13), the Bowls Club Quiz on the 27th (p25) and Tewin Stores will be serving lunch on 21st (p25). Our film this month is 'On the Waterfront' on the 16th (p11). On Palm Sunday, 29th March, we have the Procession of the Palms at St. Peter's Church at 9.30am (p19) and The Tewin School Easter Egg Trail starting at Lower Green at 3pm (p9). Other Dates for Your Diary are on p31.

It would appear that I was premature in declaring that the 388 bus service would be unaffected by the budget cuts. Please see p4 for details of the proposed changes and how you can have your say on the matter.

If you have no way of collecting medicines from Bridge Cottage Pharmacy then please let the Pharmacy know on 01438 840240 (p4)

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

Jackie Murphy, Editor

## **Tewin Raises £600 for Herts Young Homeless**

Last month a wonderful hand-made quilt, initially raffled for the church bazaar, was re-raffled by Julia Tizard (thanks to Audrey Walters for authorising this) and won by Mari Barton Jones. In total £600 was raised by those who bought tickets and made donations. This was given to Herts Young Homeless, an independent charity who provide emergency accommodation as well as advice and preventative services to 16-24 year olds in Hertfordshire who have suffered or are at risk of homelessness. Julia took part in a sleep-out at St Albans Abbey in support of homeless charities, alongside her daughter-in-law who led a group of Herts police sleeping out to raise funds for Herts Young Homeless. Having won the quilt at the same time, when it raised funds for St Peter's Church, she decided that the best thing to do was to raffle it once more instead of seeking sponsorship. Thanks to all those who bought raffle tickets and made donations.

### **Music Event Saturday 21 March 7.30pm**

St. John the Evangelist Church, Monks Rise, Digswell, Welwyn Garden City,

Welwyn Garden City Music Society (orchestra, choir and soloists) are performing:

Schubert, Symphony No.8, Unfinished;

Bruckner, Motets;

Rossini, Stabat Mater

For tickets and further information, please visit <http://www.wgcms.org.uk>

### **Christmas Tree Festival 2015**

Thank you to everyone who has helped to make the All Saints Tree Festivals such lovely successful events.

The Christmas Tree Festival has been held at All Saints, Datchworth for the last 2 years.

Trees (real, artificial or homemade) are decorated by various groups ie school, bellringers, scouts, guides, bowls club..... and then placed in church.

We open the display to the public on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon with refreshments and a few stalls.

The church looks amazing and the atmosphere is wonderful and the event is enjoyed by all who take part or visit.

It would be lovely to have a few more trees from Tewin. St Peter's Church have had a tree both years and won the first time although it is the taking part that is important!

We plan to hold another one this year and thereafter biennially. If your organisation, business or family would like to take part by entering a tree, or in any other way, please let us know ASAP with your contact details including e-mail & tel no.

e-mail [datch.hills@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:datch.hills@hotmail.co.uk)

phone Chris on 01438 811627

More information later in the year for those taking part.



## **BUS CONSULTATION - MAJOR REDUCTION TO 388 BUS SERVICE THROUGH TEWIN**

A new bus consultation started on 19th January 2015 and will be running for 12 weeks until 10th April 2015

The new consultation proposes to remove support for services with a subsidy above £3.50 per passenger journey. The 388 currently has a subsidy of £5.55. Apart from the school runs, the 388 would be replaced by one "shopping" trip per day, probably to Welwyn Garden City (Tues/Thurs/Fri) and Hertford (Mon/Wed/Sat).

If the proposals are agreed the impact on services will commence from September 2015.

Further information and an online response form are available at <https://consult.hertsdirect.org/bus-services/>

Printed information and bus consultation questionnaire are available by calling 0300 123 4036 or by email: [hertsdirect@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:hertsdirect@hertfordshire.gov.uk).

## **PETITION - STOP THE 388 BUS SERVICE CUTS**

Please sign the [e-petition](#) by following the link on the Tewin Village website OR sign the [paper petition](#) at Tewin Stores & Tewin Memorial Hall. Both petitions are identical and all signatures collected on both will be submitted except for duplicates.

## **BRIDGE COTTAGE PHARMACY DELIVERIES**

On 22nd January the pharmacy delivery service announced it was no longer able to deliver medicines with immediate effect as the service was overwhelmed and could not be sustained. Any patients for whom this service is a necessity are asked to ring the pharmacy directly to arrange delivery.

## **POLICE**

PC Andy Woodward has been replaced by DC Kirsty Richardson as our Police contact. She advised that there has only been one crime during 2015 and the stolen property has now been recovered. Patrols continue to drive through Tewin on a nightly basis.

PCSO Sally Brooks advised that the Neighbourhood Watch scheme is changing and every Parishioner is being encouraged to register on the new OWL (Online Watch link) system on [www.owl.co.uk](http://www.owl.co.uk).

## **PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION**

**The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 2nd March 2015 at 7.45pm at Tewin Memorial Hall.**

**Agenda:** Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion at the meeting. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores 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, at the bus shelter at the top of Desborough Drive and on the website [www.tewinvillage.co.uk](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk). The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

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

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Cllr Linda Haysey      Tel 01992-582151

**Herts County Councillor:** Cllr Ken Crofton      Tel: 01438 869650

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

### **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2015 – Photography Workshop**

*“The Judge’s Eye”*

A photography workshop will take place at Tewin Memorial Hall on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, starting at 7:30pm

Advance bookings cost £5 for *THACS* members and £6 for non-members. To book your place, send payment (cash or cheque payable to *THACS*) to: Malcolm Allen, 47 Bishops Road, Tewin Wood, AL6 0NP, by 27<sup>th</sup> February (no booking form required). Alternatively you can just come along on the evening with an entrance fee at the door of £7.

### **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2015 – Creative Writing Workshop**

This workshop has been organised, at popular request, in advance of the writing competition which is part of the *THACS* show in April.

Contact Joanne Allen who hosts the day (01438 798749 or jrallen14@hotmail.co.uk) if you would like to know more or wish to sign up.

### **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April – THACS Spring Show**

The *THACS* Spring Show will be held in Tewin Memorial Hall on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April. There will be show classes covering flower arranging, flowers, arts & crafts, photography and culinary, so I am sure that you can select some suitable categories to enter. Please come along, have a go and support your village show.

Members have already received the show schedule, rules and entry form and further copies can be obtained from Tewin Stores or the *THACS* page on [www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/) from 1<sup>st</sup> March. Please make sure that your completed entry forms and fees are delivered to Ray Keppler, 15 Upper Green Road, Tewin, Welwyn, Herts AL6 0LE by Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April.

Exhibits should be taken to the hall for staging between 8.30am and 10.30am on the day. The show will be open to the public with free admission at 2.15pm, after the judging has taken place. Refreshments will be available during the afternoon and the presentation of prizes will be at 3.30pm, followed by an action of produce.

So go on, take a look at the categories and have a go. You never know, you could be a winner! Ask your friends along to see the show in the afternoon. We look forward to seeing you there.



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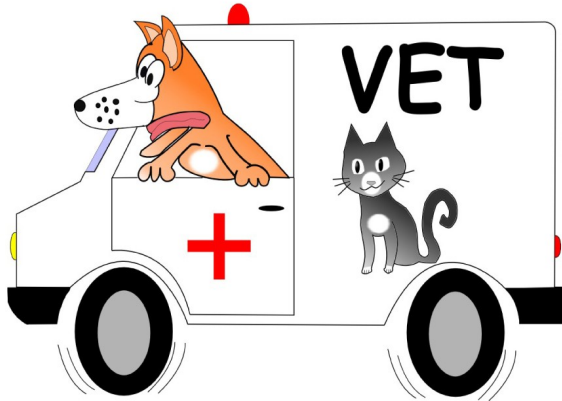
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## Family Easter Egg Trail

Around Tewin village - Starting between  
3-3.30pm from 'The Gazebo' on Lower Green,  
Finishing at Plume of Feathers approximately  
4-4.30pm for refreshments

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

Tickets include a map/clue sheet and are  
£3.50 each for children on the day at the  
starting point (the Gazebo)

*For further information or tickets before the day  
ring:  
Louise Brady 07747 633611*

## WOT? ...NO FETE?



The committee has dwindled considerably in the past couple of years and the core members cannot cope with the amount of organisation it takes to put on this truly special day.

*Come on, don't let Tewin be the only village around here without a 2015 fete!*

A decision needs to be made. There is a meeting at the memorial hall on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 7.30pm, to see if we have enough people to run the fete. If you would like to get involved in any way, join us for a glass of wine ...

Share the load and help - a large crew doing lots of "bit size bits"

is all it takes. Please help and save your fete ...

If you cannot make the meeting, either email [lyndajudge@btinternet.com](mailto:lyndajudge@btinternet.com)

or sign up at Tewin Stores.

*The Fete Committee*

### Tewin Memorial Hall Supporters Club

Registered Charity No. 308158

#### Memorial Hall Draw December

1 <sup>st</sup>	£60	Carrol Thompson, Desborough Drive
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£36	Linda Williams, Back Lane
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£12	Bryan Evans, Queen Hoo Lane
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£12	Nigel North, Upper Green Road

Membership forms are available from Tewin Stores, the Hall, Lisa Bove ( [lisa.bove@btinternet.com](mailto:lisa.bove@btinternet.com) or 798546) or any member of the Hall Committee)

## Screen On The Green

In March we are showing an oldie - *On the Waterfront* with Marlon Brando, in what has been described as this “searing, unforgettable seminal American classic”.

Brando won an Oscar as best actor for his performance as a longshoreman among the corruption of the New York docks. A well-crafted and entertaining drama, directed by Elia Kazan with a score by Leonard Bernstein, it won eight Oscars. Great performances also from Eve Marie Saint and Rod Steiger.

**MONDAY 16 MARCH.** Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start. Complimentary teas and coffees beforehand. Ice cream on sale. Tickets from Tewin Stores or on the door, priced £4. Bring your own drinks and nibbles for a jolly night out at the Tewin Memorial Hall.

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## TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL

### JUMBLE SALE NEWS

**Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> March : 2.00 – 4.30pm : Tewin Memorial Hall.**

“Just like a Department Store”! That’s how one visitor was heard to describe the Tewin Jumble Sale. Others have told us that it’s the best in Hertfordshire. So please come along to our Spring Sale and see for yourself. Like so many other people who have visited for the first time, you may be surprised at the volume and quality of the goods on offer.

We are pleased to report that we have already been given some excellent donations but need more so are again calling on your generosity. We are looking for unwanted gifts, clean clothing, shoes, handbags, linens, books, bric-a-brac, toys, jigsaws, modern televisions and other electrical items and furniture. However, certain items are not saleable so we can’t accept old, bulky televisions, upholstered furniture, underwear, and broken items.

We require electrical items for PAT testing by **Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> March**, if possible, and collections of other items can be made on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>, and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March**. However, if you are able to deliver non-electrical items to the Memorial Hall on the evening of the 13<sup>th</sup> March between 7 – 9.30pm, or on the Saturday morning, **before 12 noon**, that would be most helpful. If you have any queries in the meantime, or would like to arrange a collection, please phone **Todd Canton on 717395**.

As always, we need as many helpers as possible so if you would like to come along and help for an hour or two, please let us know. We also need help with collections on the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> March and would welcome the assistance of any willing gentlemen.

Thank you

Todd Canton on behalf of the Tewin Memorial Hall Management Committee

Isabel Hospice’s weekly Lottery is celebrating its 20th birthday this year. The importance of the income generated from our Lottery cannot be overestimated. It is regular and secure and enables our charity to plan for the future. Last year alone, our Lottery contributed £245,000 towards patient care.

Help us celebrate our 20th birthday by signing up for 20 weeks for £20. Not only will your £1 per week mean a great deal to our Hospice, you could win our weekly top prize of £1,000 or one of our other 27 cash prizes. You can sign up online by visiting [www.isabelhospice.org.uk](http://www.isabelhospice.org.uk) or call our Lottery Team on 01707 382594.

The website group has met six times this year. There have been over 39000 hits on the site during this year. The average number of visitors to the site each month is 3300.

The main news for this year is that within the past three months we have changed the look of the website so that the Home page is not so cluttered. Most pages may now be accessed via drop down menus. For the website group it is joyfully easier to update and this may even be done from a tablet or an iPad, instead of firing up the PC!

Do take a look at the site and give me any comments you may have. We try to keep it regularly updated. One of the good things with the new software is that as soon as special events have taken place, which are headlined on the Home page, they will automatically disappear: easier for those of us updating the site and better for visitors to it.

Thank you to the website group for their work this year:

Derek Adams for the Home page including photos

Felicia Green for her technical help

Merrilyn Sandison for the Memorial Hall

John Ling for the Screen on the Green, other photos and video content

Doreen Lloyd (and Caroline MacFarlane) for the Parish Council

Anne Hall for Friends of Tewin

Jackie Murphy, for the Tewin Magazine, and latterly, for taking over from Lia Parkinson for material for the Church

Alf Fulford for the THACS pages

I do the Calendar, Business pages and Directory pages and have also taken on the Shop pages

All in all we try to cover life in our community. We rely on your telling us the dates and other details of events in the village to keep the calendar correct. Please check the website and email any dates your organisation would like included, for both special events and regular activities.

If you are interested in helping with the village website please get in touch.

Happy surfing

Linda Adams, Tewin Webmaster

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## A Lent Letter from Tilly the Rectory Dog

I am under going a strict period of discipline. I am practicing self-control. It is not easy.

The reason for this self-denial of my natural urges was initially insisted on by my owners. And because I trust them (and because they feed me), I am doing my best. I really am. But sometimes you can see the battle within my self as my whole body shakes with restraint.

I have no idea why no-one is complaining but two kittens have moved in to the house. My first instinctive desire was to make a noise. Warn everyone. Strangers! Intruders! Drive them out! Rarararrara!!!!!!

But my owners said ‘no; that’s not how you should behave’. If we had a dog-house, apparently I’d be in it.

So I did a bit of thinking and watching and then decided that, if they are staying, perhaps I should make an effort to be friends. I love friends. They make me excited. And bouncy. Very bouncy. And my owners said ‘no; that’s not how you should behave’.

So then I thought, if I’m not allowed to play with the kittens, well I’ll just look for other benefits about them staying. I spied the new feeding bowls... My owners said ‘no; that’s not how you should behave’.

So now I am trying it their way and it means doing it less my way. When I want to rush in, I am trying to sit still. When they are being fed, I try very hard to abstain. And now I find the kittens, instead of all that rude hissing are starting to come near me. And if I am very gentle – they even let me sniff their bottoms. I think we will be friends.

So you see this discipline and self-denial it’s not just about giving up stuff, it’s about cultivating a whole new way of being. It’s training; learning patience and self-restraint. That’s not easy. But in doing this I am beginning to see new worlds opening; new ways of loving and being loved.

Of course when those kittens finally meet the birds in the garden, I will expect them to do the same.

## ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 <sup>ST</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL
MAR 1st	LENT 2	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30 am	LUCY DALLAS With COLIN	GENESIS 17: 1-7, 15-16	ROMANS 4: 13-End	MARK 8: 31-End
		CHORAL EVENSONG	6.30 pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	GENESIS 12: 1-9	HEBREWS 11: 1-3, 8-16	
8th	LENT 3	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30 am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD With MICK	EXODUS 20:1-17	1 CORINTHIANS 18-25	JOHN 2:13-22
15th	MOTHERING SUNDAY	FAMILY COMMUNION	11.15 am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	EXODUS 2:1-10	LUKE 2:33-35	
		EVENSONG	6.30 pm	USHA HULL	EXODUS 6:2-13	ROMANS 5: 1-11	
22nd	LENT 5	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD With JOHN BURNAPP	JEREMIAH 3: 31-34	HEBREWS 5: 5-10	JOHN 12: 20-33
29th	PALM SUNDAY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30 am	LUCY DALLAS	PHILIPPIANS 2: 5-11	MARK 11: 1-11	

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

### WEDDINGS

**February 7th**  
**February 14th**

**Edward William Raine and Julia Jane Davies**  
**Naanzaso Ainsworth Taduggoronno and**  
**Adesola Adeola Alade**



## ROTAS

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PAULINE	NICK WHITING	NICK WHITING GRAHAM SPRING			
8th KEITH	ROSEMARY NODDER	IVOR & LINDA WILLIAMS	QUEENIE SIMMONS	LENT	BELLRINGERS
15th DAVID	UGO ROWELL	PAULINE BROWN MARK SWANN	PAULINE BROWN		ELIZABETH WILSON
	MALCOLM SLAUGHTER	PAULINE SPRING LINDA ADAMS			
22nd KEITH	ALISTAIR BUCHANAN	DI BRADLEY ELAINE FOWLER	PAULINE SPRING	LENT	AMANDA OSGOOD
29th DAVID	MICK SIMMONS	MARY GREGG NICKY HADLEY	MARIE ST. PIER	LENT	SHEILA FEAKES

### Easter Flowers

**Sally Owen and her team always make a wonderful job of decorating the church for Easter, but flowers are scarce and expensive. If you would like to make a donation towards the flowers then the churchwardens and our treasurer, Graham, will gladly pass on any funds to Sally.**

**Thank You**

## St Peter's News

At the time of writing it might appear that the repairs taking place in the church have stopped for a while, although the hiatus is, of necessity, entirely deliberate. We have to wait for the first coat of plaster to cure completely before the contractors return to complete the job. Both the contractor and the churchwardens are to be congratulated for keeping disruption to a minimum in this instance. It all hardly notices.

When the phase of the moon dictates an early Easter, the space of time between Epiphany and Lent is quite compressed. By the time you read this the Lent season will be well under way. You'll be pleased to hear that it's not too late to take part in one of the Lent courses going on in the Welwyn Team. Our own one, led by Ted and Mick, takes place on Wednesdays at 7.30pm. Do contact Ted on 01438 798594. The well-chosen theme is 'prayer'. Do also bear in mind that our Monday Group will resume in April, and all are welcome. We meet at varying venues on the second Monday of the month. Topics of Christian interest are discussed, we have a nice dinner and drink some wine. For me, it ticks all the boxes.

The job of Server in our church is a recently-adopted one for me, but I absolutely love it. Last Sunday Malcolm joined Lucy and me at the altar for his first-time as chalice assistant. All went well. The sun shone in the chancel and I enjoyed the banter about dressing up (although in good time I shall get you back Mavis).

On the day after a North London Derby it is hard to resist raising football issues in church when your side has got the best of a good contest, but this time I held back. Our male churchwarden (Arsenal fan) is gentle with me when my team loses, so it ill-behoves me to crow. As with the Saxon/Danelaw divide of ancient history, there is an Arsenal/Spurs fault line that passes in blurred fashion through Tewin and Burnham Green. On Saturday and Sunday mornings this rivalry has its epicentre at Tebbuts. Behind the counter is Raymond, who supports the other side and shakes my hand before and after the game. He is the perfect diplomat, a great credit to his team, and one of the nicest people I know.

Keith B

**Tewin Services and Activities**  
**for Lent and Easter at St. Peter's**

**15<sup>th</sup> March Mothering Sunday**  
11:15am All-age Holy Communion

**29<sup>th</sup> March Palm Sunday 9:30am**  
Meet at bottom of church drive for Procession of Palms followed by dramatic reading for the Passion and Holy Communion in church.

**2<sup>nd</sup> April Maundy Thursday**  
8pm Holy Communion with washing of feet

**3<sup>rd</sup> April Good Friday**  
Noon Stations of the Cross

**4<sup>th</sup> April Easter Saturday**  
2pm – 4pm Easter crafts for children

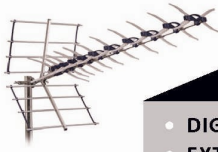
**5<sup>th</sup> April Easter Day**  
9:30am All-age Holy Communion  
6:30pm Evensong

**6<sup>th</sup> April Easter Monday**  
Easter Monday Pilgrimage to St. Albans Abbey.  
Meet 7am at All Saints Datchworth. Breakfast at St. Mary's Welwyn 8am.

**Notice of St Peter's Church Electoral Roll Revision 2015**

The annual update of St Peter's Church Electoral Roll will take place between 29th March and 12th April. Anyone wishing to be added to the Roll will find enrolment forms and the box for completed forms at the back of the church during that period. Applications must be received by 12th April.

David Rawlins  
*Electoral Roll Officer*



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## **Tewin Cowper School**

### **A message from Tewin Cowper CE School**

For the past couple of weeks, all the children have been engaged in Design and Technology projects in the afternoons. We have had an amazing range of skills being used and developed including bread making, designing and making pasties, investigating, designing and making models of playground equipment and designing and making models using cams and followers as the moving mechanism.

We have been pleased with our sports achievements this week. In the second round of the Hope Cup we had a football match against Bengeo and what a tense one it was! After 5 minutes, we were 2-0 down. By then we had warmed up and pulled back 3 goals to make it 3-2 at half-time. So the second half began... and the battle for goals! We just could not find the net and somehow Bengeo managed to score 2 more. The following evening, we had a match against Thundridge and this time the result was in our favour – 7-0! Meanwhile on the netball court, our team was battling it out against Thundridge netball team and the result was a mind-blowing 16-3 to us!

We are now half-way through the academic year and very pleased with the progress the children have made so far; we are looking forward to parent consultations at the end of March, when parents will have the opportunity to discuss their child's progress with their teacher and look proudly at their work. Rev Susannah has organised an inter-village pancake race on Shrove Tuesday at Burnham Green and, by the time you read this, we hope that many of us will have taken part.

The Staff Team

### **Bridge at Tewin Pavilion**

There will be bridge at Tewin Pavilion on **Thursdays 5th and 19th March 2015** starting at 2:15pm and finishing at 5pm. There will be a charge of £2 per person to defray expenses. If you intend to come along, either on your own or with a partner, please tell

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In May 1995, to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the end of the 1939-1945 Second World War in Europe, an Exhibition was held in the Memorial Hall with Memorabilia and Records of that long conflict from the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1939 to the 8<sup>th</sup> May 1945. (The War in the Far East, however, against Japan did not end until August 1945)

People of Tewin who lived throughout those years were asked to record their Memories and these are some of those comments

“Cream and red coloured “Birch Buses” ran from Welwyn North Station to Bedford via Codicote and Hitchin and were a very convenient way to attend the larger shops and the large Wednesday market at Hitchin”.

“Many homes had “Anderson” shelters in their gardens. There was a slit-trench for the children by the side of the school”.

“There was a “Lion Head” pump on Lower Green where some people obtained their water supply and children could take a drink whilst playing or watching rounders cricket or football”.

“One day five airmen who had landed at Panshanger Aerodrome came to South Lodge where we lived and asked my mother to cook them a roast dinner. They gave her a large joint of beef and vegetables. While they were there they wrote their names in my Bible”.

“Arnhem. One day we saw a whole lot of planes going over the village. They were towing gliders. They flew from west to east. The sky was full of them. We watched until they had all gone”.

“The Rifle Range at Dawley Wood was used by the Home Guard”.

“During the War there were German and Italian prisoners of war working on Mr Barton’s farm”.

“Newspapers, silver paper and tin were collected and stored in the Summer House at the back of the Memorial Hall”.

“A bomb fell in a field at the back of Tewin Garage in 1941. Besides blowing in various windows and doors, it killed Mrs Munn’s chickens and goats, and all the sparrows that nested in the nearby hedge.



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## Tewin Stores

This month we have completed the interior redecoration of the main shop and replaced the floor in the kitchen. Thank you to everyone who helped with this - there were nearly 30 people involved. We hope you like the bright clean look.

The good news is that when the Environmental Health officer called unexpectedly the following week, we were able to demonstrate that we had made significant improvements to the shop and cafe, and as a result were upgraded from a 3 star to a 4 star premises! Thank you to Kevin Brazier for the new cupboard for tobacco products, to the Comptons for the new mat, and to Irene Marshall who kindly donated the quilt for an autumn raffle in aid of the new blinds, all of which contributes to our facelift.

By the time you read this we hope you will have enjoyed Shrove Tuesday pancakes at the shop. We have now introduced Tewin Shop Gift vouchers worth £5 each. How about using one of these as a gift for someone local to enjoy a little treat at the shop, like our next Saturday lunch on 21st March from 12 to 2pm. (The shop will stay open till 3pm).

Finally the shop committee has at last recognised everything that Roger Temple did as our Postmaster over many years - we know he is much missed - by making him a gift of clothes for his allotment.

### **BOWLS CLUB DIARY DATE**



The Bowls Club was delighted to welcome many visitors to their popular Quiz Night in January. Over 70 people came along to enjoy a good meal and a thought provoking quiz set by Kevin Brazier, who hosted the event in his usual inimitable style. The event was so popular we are already being asked

for details of the next one. This is scheduled for Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> March.

A notice with more details is now in Tewin Stores but we would stress that if you wish to come along, you must advise us in advance. Because of catering requirements, we cannot admit anyone who has not reserved a place and in fact, because of the popularity of the last event, we had to stop taking bookings a week beforehand, so would advise you to let us know as early as possible. You can do so by ringing either Rob Kenway on 07552 780236 or Todd Canton on 01438 717395. Meanwhile, the Club is busy preparing the playing green in readiness for the start of the Bowls season in April. We will be holding an Open Day, details of which will appear in the next issue of this magazine, so if you'd like to come along and try your hand at bowls, we'd be happy to welcome you and give you all the information you need.

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# Friends of Tewin



Our Annual General Meeting took place at the Memorial Hall on 9th February.

The Officers and Committee were re-elected and I want to thank all who attended.

We are now planning our events for 2015, the first of these is the Annual Senior Citizens Lunch on 18<sup>th</sup> February and it will already have taken place by the time you read this

edition.

As I write this, there are just a few days to go before we host the lunch. We are looking forward to serving a record number of guests at the Memorial Hall. 100 people are coming and it will be a very busy day for the committee and for all the people who have very kindly offered to help us to prepare and serve the lunch. It is a huge joint effort and I'm sure we will all sleep well that night!

Here are the dates of some of our 2015 events that you may like to add your diary:-

## **Dancing around the Maypole - In conjunction with Tewin Cowper School**

This will be held on Lower Green, the date is still to be arranged.

## **Annual Coach Trip – 9 June**

We've decided on Cambridge as the destination for our annual coach trip this year and we plan to go on 9 June. We are hoping to include a tour of one of the colleges at some point during the day.

## **Senior Citizens Afternoon Tea - 9th July**

We are holding an Afternoon Tea for our senior citizens in the Memorial Hall on 9<sup>th</sup> July. We were very lucky to secure a grant from East Herts Council as well as a donation from Tewin Parish Council and this extra funding has enabled us to host this new event

## **Tewin Annual Classic Car & Crafts Show - 23 August**

This is our biggest event of the year and is held on Upper Green.

## **Scarecrows Weekend - 12/13 September**

We are hoping to have lots of extra activities available for all the family during our biennial Scarecrows weekend.

There are still lots of details to be sorted out for all these events and I'll give you more information about them as soon as I can.

Anne Hall, Chairman - Friends of Tewin

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## **Friends of Danesbury & Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital**

The New Year seems hardly begun and already we are fast approaching Easter. Last year was as busy as ever and we have been delighted by the strength of support we continue to receive. The Welwyn shop thrives thanks to the generosity of our donors and the enthusiasm of our customers, both regular and occasional. We pride ourselves in having a range of goods for sale which you are highly unlikely to find in High Street stores – never mind at the price you will pay.

The Friends were sad to hear that Anthea McIntosh died unexpectedly at the beginning of the year. Anthea's husband, Henry McIntosh, was Treasurer of this charity for many years and was instrumental in setting up the original Danesbury Appeal. His experience enabled the Friends to open our charity shops. Anthea was an enthusiastic supporter of all our activities and worked for many years as a volunteer in the Welwyn shop. Not least of her many contributions she was the long time author of our Parish News piece. She will be greatly missed.

As we approach the May elections the NHS will continue to figure large in the debate. Whatever the facts of the matter we remain committed to supporting the patients and their carers. If our support can provide some much needed additional help we are delighted to give it.

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## Isabel Hospice

### **7<sup>th</sup> March**

#### **Mayor of Hertford's Civic Dinner**

Tickets are now on sale for Cllr Chantal Geall, Mayor of Hertford's Civic Dinner in aid of Isabel Hospice and Hertford and Ware Street Pastors. Drinks will be at 7pm with dinner at 7.30pm. Black tie/Lounge suit dress code. There will be a bar, raffle and entertainment during the evening. Tickets are £40 and available from Nikki Milton on 01992 552885.

### **7<sup>th</sup> March**

#### **Welwyn Garden City**

#### **Howard School Disco Re-union**

Held at the Royal Naval Association Club, Black Fan Road, AL7 1HA. 7.30pm. This event is open to all ex-pupils, teachers and those that worked at the school which was demolished some years ago. Profits to go to Isabel Hospice. Tickets £5 available from the bar at the venue.

### **14<sup>th</sup> March Fire Walk for Isabel Hospice**

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Don't worry, this is not as difficult as you may think - people will be more than willing to sponsor you to walk on fire, as long as they don't have to do it!! Sign up at [www.isabelhospice.org.uk](http://www.isabelhospice.org.uk) or call Beth Hardy 01707 382500

### **14<sup>th</sup> March**

#### **Welham Green**

**Quiz Night for Isabel Hospice**– held at the Memorial Hall, Welham Green from 7pm. Tickets are £11.50 each and includes light refreshments. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. Tickets from 01707 265333 or 658531.

### **27<sup>th</sup> March**

#### **Golf Day for Isabel Hospice**

This day is being held at Brickendon Grange near Hertford in aid of the Hospice. Full details are to follow, but to register your interest, call Cheryl Cusack on 01707 382500.

## Dates for your diary this month

Tue	Tewin School	7-9.30pm	Table Tennis 7-8pm Juniors 8-9.30pm Adults
Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30-11am	Parent and Toddler Group
Wed	Rose & Crown	9pm	Quiz Night
Thur	Lower Green	9.25am	Footpath walks of Tewin
Thur	Memorial Hall	1.30-4.30pm	50+ Club
Wed 11th and 25th	Lower Green	2.15-3.45pm	Mobile Library
Thurs 5th and 19th	Pavilion	2.15-5.00pm	Bridge
Mon 2nd	Memorial Hall	7.45pm	Parish Council Meeting
Mon 2nd	Memorial Hall	7.30pm	THACS Photography Workshop
Sat 14th	Memorial Hall	2-4.30pm	Jumble Sale
Mon 16th	Memorial Hall	7pm	Screen on The Green - 'On The Waterfront'
Sat 21st	Tewin Stores	12-2pm	Lunch
Mon 23rd	Memorial Hall	7.30pm	Fete Meeting
Fri 27th	Bowls Club		Quiz Night
Sun 29th	Lower Green	3-3.30pm	Easter Egg Trail

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