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## Pimms at the Village Fete

### **Editorial Note**

Welcome to our August edition. Our front cover photograph shows volunteers hard at work on the Pimms stall at the Village Fete in June. Read all about it on page 10. The Classic Car Show is on the 23rd August (p3 and 27) and Tewin Stores is serving Ploughman's Platters on 15th (p25). Whilst Screen on the Green is taking a break this month, the program for the 2015/16 season is on page 14. Choose your favourites and put them in your diary now.

The Senior Citizens Vintage Afternoon Tea Party was a great success last month (p27) and congratulations to Shire Park (Tewin) Bowls Club on being chosen to host the Ladies Division of the Walker Cup Regional Quarter Final last month (p22).

On 1st October there will be a major change to Consumer Law. See page 6 for details.

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

Jackie Murphy, Editor

### 'Little Lambs' for Pre-Schoolers and their Carers.



Story, song, play and craft. August 13th and 27th 2pm-3pm @ St Peter's Church, Tewin And it's free.

For more info contact **The Rev'd Susannah Underwood** 01438 817183 **Team.vicar@welwyn.org.uk** Or just come along!

#### TEWIN CLASSIC CAR & CRAFT SHOW SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> AUGUST 2015 12.00 - 5.00 UPPER GREEN, TEWIN. AL6 OLY Organised by FRIENDS OF TEWIN

The Annual Tewin Classic Car & Craft Show will be held on 23rd August. We will have approximately 300 cars on display plus about 40 stalls selling a wide range of crafts. MUSIC by: The Franklin Street New Orleans Jazz Band HOG ROAST JACKET POTATOES BAR CAKES Come along, see some amazing cars and enjoy a great afternoon out for all the family! Large Public Car Park Available - £2 per car If you would like to display a classic car, entry forms are available by email at: tewincarshow@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.tewinvillage.co.uk or Tel 01438 717544 All money raised is donated to groups and organisations in Tewin

### Bike 'n Hike 2016

Help save the Past for the Future

Saturday 12th September 2016 from 10 am to 6 pm Raise funds for St Peter's, Tewin Over 600 Churches and Chapels to visit! Raise money for the repair of St Peter's by getting sponsorship for cycling or walking between churches in Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire. Anyone can take part and there is a choice of over 600 open churches and chapels for you to visit. Of every £1 that is raised in sponsorship, 50p is returned to St Peter's. And the rest of what you raise will increase what the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust can give in grants. These grants are given to local communities struggling to raise funds to get vital but costly repairs done at a much-loved church or chapel. Details and sponsorship forms from the back of the church or from David Rawlins (01438 717552) Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Historic Churches BedsHertsHCT.org.uk

### **Tewin Parish Council**



### UPDATE ON 388 BUS CUTS

We finally got to the bottom of the method used by Hertfordshire County Council to assess the Value for Money criteria for the bus services. It then became clear that the chances of saving the 388 have always been very low.

The Parish Council has decided that it cannot subsidise the service buses from its own funds – to a first approximation, it costs  $\pm 10,000+$  a year to subsidise each daily return journey. The staff at HCC have always tried their best to squeeze the maximum services from their shrinking budget, and we cannot see any way of suggesting improvements to their present plans. Remember also that bus services cannot be provided in isolation – bus companies will want to slot them in between other services in order to get efficient use of vehicles and drivers.

From the beginning of September, the 388 will be reduced to the term-time morning and afternoon school runs. A 378 service will provide a return trip to Hertford each Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arriving in Hertford at 11.50 and leaving at 13.15. We are still waiting for confirmation of the new service into Welwyn Garden City, but it will probably be a return trip each Tuesday and Thursday (and possibly Friday).

### **NEW FOOTPATH WORKS**

Upper Green Road will be closed between 9.30am and 5.30pm for approx 5 days some time between 27th July and 26th Sept to enable Herts Highways to commence works on the new footpath between Godfries Close and Upper Green which is being financed by Taylor Wimpey/Sevenacres Section 106 money.

### **UPDATE ON HIGHWAYS WORKS**

The Parish Council has advised Herts Highways of various gullies that were missed during the recent gulley cleaning and await a reply.

Whilst we expect Highways to come back and reinstate the kerbing they removed recently the Parish Council have agreed to purchase sufficient kerbing to restore the kerbing along the north side of Lower Green.

### **TEWIN TENNIS COURTS**

We would like to bring to the attention of all persons resident in the Parish that they may use the tennis courts on Upper Green without joining the Club, provided that they abide by the normal booking and playing rules. A returnable key is available from Tewin Stores in exchange for a contribution towards maintenance of £5 per hour per court (£2.50 for juniors).

#### PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 7th September 2015 at 7.45pm at Tewin Memorial Hall followed by the next meeting on 5th October 2015.

**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. 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

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### THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY

### Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September - THACS Autumn Show in Tewin Memorial Hall

The Autumn Show is a great time for you to display your achievements in growing flowers, vegetables and fruit in your garden or allotment. It is also an opportunity to display your work in arts, crafts, culinary and photography, so there is something for everyone. 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. Come along, have a go and support your village show! Show schedules, rules and entry forms can be down-loaded from the *THACS* page on the village website (*www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/*) or you can get paper copies from Tewin Stores after 1<sup>st</sup> August.

All entry forms and entrance fees should be submitted by Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September to

Ray Keppler, *THACS* Show Secretary, 15 Upper Green Road, Tewin, Welwyn, Herts AL6 0LE.

#### Significant Shake Up in Consumer Law

Hertfordshire Trading Standards is advising businesses to familiarise themselves with significant changes in consumer rights.

1 October 2015 sees the introduction of what is being heralded as the biggest shake up of consumer law in a generation. The Consumer Rights Act 2015 will bring consumer law into the 21st century by setting out clear and updated consumer rights for goods, services and, for the first time, digital content. The changes will bring greater clarity to the law and help both businesses and consumers by making it clear what their rights and responsibilities are in any particular circumstance.

The main changes being introduced are:

- A clear 30 day time period to return faulty goods and get a full refund. Currently the law is unclear as to how long this period should last.
- An entitlement for consumers to get some money back after one failed repair of faulty goods, or one faulty replacement, even if more than 30 days have passed.
- The introduction of new specific rights for consumers to get a repair or replacement of faulty digital content such as online films, games, music downloads and e-books.
- The right for consumers to demand that substandard services are redone, or failing that receive a price reduction.

#### For advice, businesses can call the **Business Advice Hotline on 01707 282401** or visit www.hertsdirect.org/fairtrading

Consumers can call the Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 03454 040506.

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### **Tewin Society Award**

The Tewin Society Award was devised to recognise the contributions to the Heritage, Environment and Conservation of Tewin made by volunteers. Our heritage, environment and conservation are hugely important and we are fortunate to have people within our community who give their time and effort freely, doing work which we all benefit from. The Tewin Society Award was a way of thanking and honouring these people and over the last four years, the award has been presented to four worthy winners in recognition of their extraordinary achievements:- Margaret Knight in 2011, Elizabeth Wilson in 2012, Patrick Holden in 2013 and Michael Clark in 2014.

The Tewin Society Awards have run their course and it is now time to discontinue them. No further awards will be made.

There were only two nominations in 2013 and one in 2014. In all three cases the individuals had been nominated previously so it appears that we have exhausted the current supply of suitable candidates.

A number of people were nominated but not selected for an award. No doubt they have all added a great deal to the life of Tewin in their own ways. However, when the nominations were judged against the award's specific criteria relating to heritage, environment and conservation, it was found that they did not justify making an award. Consequently the Tewin Society Award committee decided to cancel any future campaigns and that decision was endorsed by the *THACS* committee. The appropriate material will be archived in case anyone wishes to resurrect the award in future years. Our congratulations go to all of the winners and our thanks and gratitude to all those who helped and supported them in their work.

Ray Keppler (Chairman of the Tewin Society Award committee).

East Herts Council is pleased to announce a second funding round for its popular **Community Capital Grants Scheme**. Go to <u>http://www.eastherts.gov.uk/</u><u>index.jsp?articleid=10144</u> to find out about eligibility details and download an application form. The deadline to submit an application is 7 September 2015. Up to £8,000 is available for projects that improve popular community facilities such as village halls, allotments, playing fields, play areas and any other community asset that is run by volunteers.

All voluntary and community organisations are eligible to apply. Parish Councils and Town Councils are also eligible. To find out what has been funded in the past go to <u>http://www.eastherts.gov.uk/index.jsp?articleid=31723</u>. If you would like to talk about your project, please contact Claire Pullen on 01992 531459.

Alternatively, you can book a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-hour appointment at our Drop In Session scheduled for 14 August 2015.

### Memorial Hall Draw May

- 1<sup>st</sup> £60 Dagmar Brook, Orchard Road
- 2<sup>nd</sup> £36 Adrian Hill, Tewin Hill
- 3<sup>rd</sup> £12 Audrey Walters, School Lane
- 3<sup>rd</sup> £12 Hilary Armstrong, West Riding

Want to see your name here?

Please join the Club and help us reach 300 members and monthly prizes totalling £150 every month. Many thanks to the 10 new members who signed up to the Club at the Fete.

Application forms and more information available from:

- Lisa Bove Tel. 01438 798546 or personal@lisabove.com
- Tewin Memorial Hall
- Tewin Stores
- <u>www.tewinvillagehall.co.uk/supporters-club</u>

### "WHAT A FETE"! "THANK YOU"

Despite initial misgivings as to whether we'd have sufficient support to enable us to arrange a Fete this year, the help we finally received enabled us to go ahead, and what a result! The sun shone throughout the day, visitors crowded in, and most events ran smoothly - except for the newly introduced 'Tug of War' during which the rope broke and many of the 'Tuggers' finished up sprawled on the grass! Nobody was hurt and the children in particular thought it was a 'hoot'! Despite this, the Fete takings on the day amounted to a fantastic £7,710, with further monies still to be collected.

As always, the Funfair, the Face Painting, and other stalls proved very popular, as did refreshments from the barbecue and tea room. In particular we should mention that many a thirst was quenched through purchases from the popular bar, as well as by the numerous glasses of Pimms which were consumed throughout the day. The Tombola and other stalls also saw excellent results. So many thanks to all those people who contributed in any way – to everyone who donated gifts to the Auction, Raffle, Nearly New and Tombola stalls, as well as the ladies (and gentlemen?) who kindly baked cakes for the Cake stall. Also, of course, we are especially grateful to everyone who helped to run the stalls and the hard working people who came along to set up and take down.

As always, the people of Tewin turned up trumps and, as a result, the Fete proved to be a successful and memorable day. So once again, we thank you all.

<u>The Village Fete Committee</u> (Chairman – Lynn Farr)





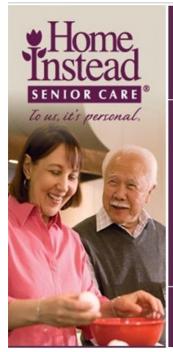


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#### Tewin Tennis Club



On a pleasant summer's evening towards the end of July club members enjoyed a glass of wine and nibbles and watched the finals of the annual club tournament.

In the Men's Singles Jack Goode beat Martin Gouldstone 6-4, 7-5 while Angie Watson beat Deirdre Hatt 6-2, 6-4 in the Ladies' Singles. And in the Mixed Doubles, Eileen Doyle & Martin

Gouldstone beat Jane Raine & Kevin Doyle 7-6.

The trophies were presented by special guest, Adrian Hill, Deputy Chairman of the Pavilion Management Committee and of the Parish Council, and David Room, the Club Chairman. Cups were presented to the winners on the evening and to winners of events decided earlier, including Roe Hill & Eileen Doyle in the Ladies' Doubles and Keith Duerden & Steve Adamthwaite in the Men's Doubles.

The trophy for the very popular Alphabet League, which runs through the early summer months, was presented to Ruth Thomas and Nick Toombs, Captains of Team B.

Whilst the club championships were most enjoyable for all who took part, the numbers entering some of the categories were low and the Club hopes that more members will enter the competitions in 2016. We are also looking for more support from parents of the juniors and student members. What do we need to do to encourage girls or young ladies from the village to play tennis? At the end of July, the tennis courts will be out of action for a few days whilst new

fencing is installed on two sides of the courts. The Club Committee is also busy with the recruitment process for a new coach to replace Steve Hunt, who is most unfortunately having to retire early with worn-out knees.

### Shake Up this summer with Change4Life

# This summer, Change4Life has teamed up with Disney to inspire children in Hertfordshire to get active with the launch of the 10 Minute Shake Up campaign.

The campaign aims to help children reach the minimum 60 minutes of

physical activity they need every day through 10 minute bursts of activity, inspired by Disney characters.

New this summer, the 10 Minute Shake Up campaign allows kids to join one of four Disney teams, including Frozen, Big Hero 6, Monsters and Toy Story. There are lots of new and exciting 10 minute games and activities for

children to play to try and help their team win by doing as many Shake Ups as they can.

To find out more about the 10 minute Shake Up and receive a free 10 Minute Shake Up pack for your children, which includes a Disney themed team wristband with timer, activity cards, a team poster, stickers and wild cards for kids to invent their own Shake Ups, simply Search **Change4Life** online.

### **Screen On The Green**

#### Screen on the Green Season 2015/16

Our Season will begin on **28 September** with Woody Allen's film "**Midnight in Paris**", 2011. This is the first Woody Allen movie we have shown. It features Owen Wilson and Rachel McAdams as an engaged couple on holiday in Paris, where he mysteriously appears to be swept back in time to the 1920s every night at midnight. It won an Oscar for Woody Allen for Best Writing, Original Screenplay in 2012.

Other films to be shown during the season, and dates for your diaries are as follows:-

**19 Oct** Argo (based on the true story to rescue the hostages from Tehran in 1980) 2012

**16 Nov Beautiful Lies** (French comedy romance with Audrey Tautou (Amelie)) 2010

**14 Dec** The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (sequel with Judi Dench, Maggie Smith) 2015

**18 Jan** Jean de Florette (French drama, Yves Montand, Gerard Depardieu) 1986

**15 Feb** Manon des Sources (French sequel to last month) 1986

**21 March** The 100- Year- Old Man Who Climbed Out of a Window and Disappeared 2013

**18 April** The Big Country (Western with Gregory Peck and Jean Simmons) 1958

**16 May The Imitation Game** (Benedict Cumberbatch as Alan Turing cracking the enigma code) 2014

20 June Cinema Paradiso (Italian classic) 1988

I hope this choice will please as many people as possible. We have included five foreign movies, two dramas based on true stories, one Western and two comedy/dramas.

I look forward to welcoming you

MONDAY 28 September. 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.

Linda Adams

### **Team Vicar's Letter**

Fancy a walk?

An almost-tradition of mine (as in I've done it twice) is a lone walk parish to parish. I do it in all weathers (ie once it was sunny and once it rained).

The first time I didn't know any of you, and I didn't have a dog. It was a week before I was installed as Team Vicar. I snuck into All Saints and spent an hour or so pondering and praying. I then walked through unfamiliar lanes, wondering who lived behind the front doors. I got a bit lost, had lunch on my own in the Plume of Feathers (a vegetarian Moroccan thing, I remember it was quite tasty) and ended up at St Peter's for another hour of nosing about and some more prayer.

The second time, which was the second anniversary of my time as vicar, I had a dog and I also had a better plan. I walked again from church to church, but this time stopped off at various houses en-route, because by this time I knew more of you – and was grateful for tea, cake and conversation. I also knew who lived behind some of the doors I walked past and thought what an immense privilege it has been to share in some of your stories of celebration and sorrow.

But this time (which will make it an irrefutable tradition), I'm inviting you to join me for company. I don't care if we've met or not. I'll be at All Saints church in Datchworth at 10am on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September. I plan to pray a bit and then set off at 10:30am. I plan to get less lost, but I'm not promising. I'm thinking a lunch at the Plume of Feathers would be good at around 12:30pm. Then I'll make a final amble to St. Peter's. I'll have a dog, you're welcome to bring one too.

I'll enjoy it on my own. I'll enjoy it more in company. Come for prayer, lunch, the walk or all the whole combo. If you want to eat, let me know, and I'll book you in at the Plume.

Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES							
DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 <sup>st</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL
AUG 2nd	TRINITY 9	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30 am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	EXODUS 16: 2-4, 9-15	EPHESIANS 4: 1-16	JOHN 6: 24-35
		SUMMER EVENSONG	6.30 pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	JOB 28	HEBREWS 11: 17-31	
9th	TRINITY 10	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	EDWARD CARDALE	1 KINGS 19: 4-8	EPHESIANS 4: 25 – 5: 2	JOHN 6: 35, 41-51
16th	TRINITY 11	FAMILY SERVICE	11.15am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	JOHN 6: 51-58		
		SUMMER EVENSONG DATCH- WORTH	6.30pm				
23rd	TRINITY 12	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	TOM GLADWIN	JOSHUA 24: 1-2a, 14-18	EPHESIANS 6: 10-20	JOHN 6: 56-69
30th	TRINITY 13	HOLY COMMUNION AT BURNHAM GREEN	10.00am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	DEUTER- ONOMY 4: 1-2, 6-9	JAMES 1: 17-End	MARK 7: 1-8,14,15, 21-23

### WEDDINGS

July 17th	John Sneddon and Sara Aldred
July 24th	Rhys Hopkins and Sophie Norman
July 25th	Christopher Heath and Nicola Phelan

### FUNERALS

July 1st	William (Bill) Sirs
July 3rd	Andrea Firebrace

ROTAS					
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PAULINE	MICK SIMMONS	PETE JOHNSON DI BRADLEY			
9th KEITH	ALISTAIR BUCHANAN	LINDA ADAMS KEITH BARNFIELD	TINA MACKAY	SUE WHITBOURN	SHIRLEY BARKER
16th	UGO ROWELL	MARY GREGG MAVIS HAGGAR	PAULINE BROWN	WEDDING	VOLUNTEER NEEDED
23rd DAVID	MAVIS HAGGAR	BRIAN EVERS ELAINE FOWLER	SHIRLEY BARKER	WEDDING	CLARE RAWLINS
30th PAULINE	PAULINE SPRING	MALCOLM SLAUGHTER KAREN SHAW	MARIE ST. PIER	WEDDING	SUE WHITBOURN

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

### St Peter's News

On Sunday 28th June, St Peter's was beautifully decorated with a floral display to celebrate Petertide. The Church looked wonderful and our thanks go to our group of flower arrangers who worked so hard. Petertide was preceded on Saturday 27th June by Tewin Fete, when the Tombola stall, organised by Mary Gregg and run by various volunteers, raised a sum of around £516 jointly from the adult and children's Tombolas. Our thanks again to all those who helped with this.

In early July Ivor Williams very kindly arranged for the hedge on both sides of the Church driveway to be cut back. It certainly looks very much better and helps with parking – thank you Ivor.

By the time these notes are read Summer will be almost half gone, with a good number of weddings being held in our beautiful Church. As part of the Welwyn Team, we look forward to hosting a 'Summer Evensong' service on Sunday 2nd August followed by drinks and nibbles.

Please note that there is no service at St Peter's on 30th August, instead there will be a joint service of Holy Communion, with All Saints, Datchworth, in a marquee on Burnham Green. Please come and join us.

On Sunday 20th September at 11.15 a.m. we are holding a 'Pet Service', so please do come along and bring your pet with you for a special blessing. All creatures welcome, including humans! Pete Johnson continues to look after the Churchyard and, as Verger, assists at weddings and funerals. Many of the duties of a Verger, as listed by the Anglican Church, overlap with those set out for the Churchwardens (Pauline Brown and Nick Whiting), so it should be no surprise for you to see an interchange of duties over the coming months. Pete's training of Pauline and Nick continues and they should be fully up to speed soon! Nick is looking after the arrangements for the Churchyard extension so that the ground can be consecrated and in use by Autumn 2016.

Please note that Graham Spring is now in possession of his new telephone number and this is shown on the back of the magazine. PB

#### A Letter from Delhi

India's burgeoning middle class population and rapid growth has turned the country into a powerhouse and yet hundreds of millions of people are being overlooked. The World Bank estimated that, in 2014, 180 million people in India were living below the poverty line. This is exacerbated by a lack of safe drinking water, sanitation, housing, health infrastructure and malnutrition, all of which impact on lives so powerfully. Dave and Rine Ingleby, CMS mission partners living and working in Delhi, are helping to readdress this situation by working with some of India's poorest.

We have not received a letter from Dave and Rine for some time but we are delighted to hear that they and their children, Sem and Joanna, will be home in the UK shortly for a few weeks. Do come and meet them at the 9.30 am service at St Peter's on Sunday August 2nd.

For the past 3 and a half years Dave has worked with Habitat for Humanity India managing low cost housing projects and various forms of poverty housing advocacy. He is now working for The Leprosy Mission. The Leprosy Mission has a 140 year history of providing effective medical care to those burdened by disability, discrimination and stigma. With modern medicine, leprosy is a curable disease, but still there are hundreds of thousands of new cases every year and 58 per cent of global cases occur in India. Even when someone has been cured of leprosy the stigma remains. As well as advocacy Dave's main areas of involvement are in project development, institutional fundraising, looking at land use/development and funding issues for leprosy hospitals and training centres.

Rine is working for a local NGO called Sugandh, whose main work focuses on a particular slum within Delhi and a resettlement colony on the outskirts of the city. Sugandh is involved in children's education, advocacy, training, Sunday School, women's self-help savings groups and community empowerment. Rine's role is in assisting the Director with fundraising, monitoring communications, networking and vocational training. The majority of the families that Sugandh serves are migrant workers from impoverished villages and illegal immigrants from Bangladesh, mostly working as manual labourers, rickshaw-wallahs and 'rag-pickers' collecting and sorting rubbish from homes and market areas. Rine also continues to mentor and support women from the Burmese refugee community who have fled to Delhi due to military brutality at home in ethnic tribal areas of Myanmar.

Dave and Rine feel privileged to be working in India and following their calling to serve Jesus among the marginalised. Elizabeth Wilson



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### **Tewin Cowper School**

So another academic year has ended .... and what an ending it was! Our Year 6 class had a fantastic adventure holiday on the Isle of Wight: abseiling, quad-biking, aero-ball, swimming, a giant swing, dragon-boat racing, a night-hike; just some of the amazing opportunities they had. On their return to school, they received their SATs results, which were brilliant and reflected their hard work and great attitude. They then launched themselves into play rehearsals for Jungle Book, with the Year 4s and 5s, ready for the performances on the penultimate week of term. If you missed it, you missed a treat: we were well-entertained with singing, dancing, jokes and brilliant acting. The last week consisted of three days as we broke up on the Wednesday. Those few days were packed with the special things we love to do, as we celebrate all that our children have achieved and shed tears for those that are leaving us for pastures new. On the Monday evening we held our Music Concert: great performances and a chance to celebrate the musical talent in our school. This was followed by 'Party on the Field': a farewell barbeque for Mr Le Tissier and Mrs Wright who are moving on to leadership posts in other settings. They will be greatly missed and leave so many happy memories with us of all that they have given to Tewin Cowper children and staff. We are proud of them and pleased for them as they take on new challenges.

Our Leavers' Service at St Peter's Church on the Wednesday was a wonderful time of reflection and a poignant ending for our Year 6 children. They were each given a Bible and a special 'moving up' book as a gift from the Prayer Group. Back at school, the rest of the children and staff were waiting to greet them for a Grand Finale as they did a presentation, trophies were awarded and a final song was sung. We also said a special 'farewell' to Ray Turner who has been a Governor here for 36 years. We are so grateful for all he has done and in particular the prayer support he has given ( and I know he will continue to give).

We will be back in September with new goals and targets, renewed energy and as always, looking to make the learning journey the best we can for every child.

Happy Summer from The Staff Team

### **OUR LOCAL BOWLS CLUB CHOSEN AS HOSTS**



Bowls England, the game's governing body, recently chose our club to host a prestigious bowling event – the Ladies Division of the Walker Cup Regional Quarter Final. This took place on the 12<sup>th</sup> July when four teams arrived to represent their Counties – Leicestershire, Norfolk, Northamptonshire and Suffolk.

Apart from a light shower during the afternoon, the day was bright and sunny and competitors and spectators alike had an enjoyable afternoon. There were some very competitive games of bowls, with Northamptonshire emerging as the overall winner. As a result, they will now progress to the semi-final, which is to be held at Leamington Spa.

On behalf of Bowls England, the Secretary of Hertfordshire Bowls, Peter Vidoy, thanked the Club for its hospitality, during which the players and guests enjoyed a first class lunch prepared by Club members. It is because we have such excellent catering facilities, ample parking space, plus a first class club house and bowling greens, all within an attractive setting, that our Club is selected to hold these important events, and we look forward to hosting more in the future.

If you'd like to come along and watch some time, we'd be pleased to welcome you. Details of forthcoming matches are shown on the notice board outside the Club and in Tewin Stores, but, in particular, **if you'd like to try your hand at bowls, we'd be delighted to show you around and give you any information you need**. Please contact either

Rob Kenway on 07552 780236 or Todd Canton on 01438 717395.

Shire Park (Tewin) Bowls Club

### New Walk Open in Panshanger Park

The opening up of the next phase of Panshanger Park is being marked by the delivery of a new 2 kilometre long trail.

The Oak Trail offers, probably for the first time in the history of the park, public access to the iconic 450 - 500 year old Panshanger Great Oak – reportedly planted by Queen Elizabeth I. Like many of the 50 very old trees listed in "Great British Trees", this ancient specimen is potentially quite fragile, so work is being carried out to make sure that members of the public can safely enjoy its multicoloured splendours throughout the year.

The new Oak Trail starts at Riverside Cottage and takes in the old 19<sup>th</sup> century waterwheel, which used to pump water up to the original Panshanger House. The half way point is the woodland – where the 450+ year old Panshanger Great Oak can be seen. The tree is being surrounded by a traditional iron estate fence – not only to protect the health and safety of visitors – but also to protect the health of this vulnerable old tree. From the oak, the trail continues past the orangery to the footprint of the original Panshanger House. This site offers spectacular views of the River Mimram across Humphry Repton's Broadwater. The path is surfaced but is not suitable for wheelchairs.

For more information check out the news page on www.panshangerpark.co.uk.



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### **Tewin Stores**

.The good news is that Bev's operation took place as planned and she is home, very sore, but glad to be out of hospital. She sends everyone her thanks for all their good wishes to her and is looking forward to getting back to work.

Many apologies for the lack of stock during July due to Palmer and Harvey's once again failing to deliver. I have written a stiff letter to their Head Office. Our Treasurer Debbie Barton has given notice that, due to unforeseen circumstances, she has to give up all her voluntary activities. She has helped the shop enormously in the past few months by covering Bev's absences daily, opening up and baking six days a week. I should like to thank Debbie for her hard work and to wish her well for the future.

Meanwhile this leaves us with a few problems until Bev's return. Specifically we need people to come in and open the shop, do the baking and sandwich making up to 8.30am until Bev is able to resume normal duties in early September.

It also means that Saturdays are a problem again. We have help from students on Saturdays but must have A N Other there as well. Four new volunteers have started this month but we can always do with more so if you are thinking of helping the village in this way you will very welcome.

Three of our volunteers have now done the Food and Hygiene course - see the certificates on the shop wall. Congratulations to them!

Special thanks to all our volunteers who are pulling together to keep the shop going during this period.

The Shop will have a special Saturday lunch on 15<sup>th</sup> August when we shall be serving **PLOUGHMAN'S PLATTERS.** 

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### Friends of Tewin



### SENIOR CITIZENS AFTERNOON TEA PARTY – 9th JULY

We had a wonderful afternoon in the Memorial Hall! The 70 guests who came had a great time; they were treated to home-made sandwiches, scones and cakes! The Hall was dressed with bunting and we used vintage china to set the scene! The choir

and members of the school orchestra from Tewin Cowper School came to entertain us and we also had a magician who baffled us with his tricks!

Our thanks go to everyone who helped to make the afternoon such a huge success. We have already been asked if we will repeat the event next year!

### CLASSIC CAR & CRAFT SHOW – 23<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST

Most of you will know that the Show is held on Upper Green every year and we are hoping that like last year we will have a lovely sunny afternoon!

We are expecting that at least 300 classic cars will be on display as well as around 40 stalls selling crafts and other goods. For the first time, we are having a Jazz Band playing during the afternoon! There will be lots of refreshments for you to enjoy, including a local Hog Roast, jacket potatoes and lots of home-made cakes!

We have already had many people offering to help us at the Show but we definitely need more help! Please join our army of helpers and give us 2 hours of your time, it really is good fun!

We also need people to bake cakes for us. A large proportion of the funds we raise come from the teas and cakes we sell in the

Pavilion. Please get in touch if you are able to bake a cake for us.

SCARECROWS ARE COMING! – 12/13<sup>th</sup> September Yes, it's not long now, they are on their way! Have you started to plan your 'crow yet? Contact me for details on how to make your scarecrow, it really is guite simple!

We will be based at the Cricket Pavilion on Upper Green this year and we are planning lots of extra activities for the children. We hope these will include face painting and make your own mini scarecrow.

Contact me on:- 01438 718505 or email: annehall90@gmail.com Anne Hall, Chairman – Friends of Tewin



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#### Friends of Danesbury and Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital

For many this month of August is a time for holidays. We all hope for sunny and dry weather to be enjoyed with family and friends. Unfortunately ill health does not respect the calendar and for those that provide the specialist care available at Danesbury and QVM Hospital it is business as usual. It is the same for all those involved with the Friends. We regularly receive requests for funding – some large, some small – and in the last month we have been asked to provide a long list of Occupational Therapy and Physio equipment for both hospitals. Potentially the final cost will run into tens of thousands. The Friends' Trustees will now have to assess what support we can provide from our available funds.

All this is to say that we, and the people we support, need your help whatever the season. We gratefully receive some direct donations but the source of most of our money is our Welwyn shop. You can help us by donating things to sell, and by buying things from us. Everything is always at bargain prices and you will be surprised by the range of our stock. Enjoy your summer.

#### Tel: 01438 840514 E mail: friends@danesburyqvm.co.uk www.danesburyqvm.co.uk

### **Flooding After The Storm**

Hertfordshire County Council's Fire and Rescue Service received 141 calls relating to localised flooding in Harpenden, St Albans, Stevenage, Welwyn Garden City and Welwyn between 7pm on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July and 7am on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> following very heavy rainfall.

During periods of intense rainfall like this, drainage systems are overwhelmed and surface water flooding occurs. Once the rain stops, unless the drainage systems have become blocked, the flooding usually recedes quite quickly, but in some cases can take longer if sewers and watercourses are full.

Residents should report any incidents of flooding or debris on the highway that they believe to be hazardous through the online fault reporting system at **www.hertsdirect.org/highways** 

Drivers should allow extra time for their journeys and avoid driving through flood water. This can be extremely dangerous because, as the wheels lose grip, you lose control. Just six inches of water can cause a car to stall and just two feet of flowing water can sweep away most vehicles - including large four-wheel drive cars.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> August Children's care4acuppa Hatfield Galleria

#### 11am – 2pm

Join in the fun at the Galleria for this Isabel Hospice care4acuppa event aimed at children. Find us downstairs in Get Wild. There will be cake decorating, a tombola, lucky dip, and tea and cake.

#### 8th August

#### Charity Car Wash & Raffle The Golden Griffin, Windsor Drive, Hertford 11am start

Thanks to the landlady of the Golden Griffin, Lisa Westwood, and her brother Adrian Childs and friend Carl for organising this day of fundraising in memory of Lesley Cooper for Isabel Hospice. Great prizes to be won including plane rides and a flying lesson!

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> August

#### The Ultimate Elton Tribute

#### Hopleys, Much Hadham

#### 5.45pm doors open, music begins at 6.30pm – 9.30pm

Bring your friends and family for a great evening in the stunning grounds of Much Hadham. Held in aid of Isabel Hospice. Paul Bacon appearing as Elton John is the official no.1 tribute act, winner of the National Tribute Awards 2013. He bears an uncanny resemblance to Elton in looks and in voice and earlier this year he was invited by Elton John's mother to perform at her 90th birthday party and received enormous press attention.

Adult ticket £20. Students/children £10. Family ticket (2 adults 2 children £54), concessions £15. Supporting artist Emily Estelle. This is an open air event. Bring a picnic, rug and low back chair. Delicious hot and cold food available, catered by Hopleys. Beer tent, wine and soft drinks on sale. Enquiries: Suzanne Coleman 01438 798869 or Barbara Doherty 01279 842140. Download a ticket application form from www.isabelhospice.org.uk

### 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August

#### Goatfest

This great live music event returns to The Goat Inn, in Codicote, over the August Bank Holiday weekend in aid of Isabel Hospice. Run by great supporter Rowan Patel. Supported by Runwood Homes. Friday - free entry - acoustic set from 5pm . Saturday £5 from noon. Sunday £5 from noon. Weekend £8. Under 13s free. Tickets available from: https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/aceofherts

### Dates for your diary this month

Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30-11am	Parent and Toddler Group
Thur	Lower Green	9.25am	Footpath walks of Tewin
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Wed 12th and 26th	Lower Green	2.15-3.45pm	Mobile Library
Thurs 6th and 20th	Pavilion	2.15-5.00pm	Bridge
Thurs 13th and 27th	St Peter's Church	2-3pm	Little Lambs
Sun 2nd	St Peter's Church	6.30pm	Summer Evensong
Sat 15th	Tewin Stores	12-3pm	Ploughman's Platter
Sun 23rd	Upper Green		Classic Car Show

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