



Tewin Magazine



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Editorial Note

Welcome to the November 2017 edition of our magazine. Our front cover photo shows Tewin badgers who will be featuring on Countryfile this month (p14).

November is a busy month, with Fireworks at the School on the 3rd (p3), the Autumn Book Sale (p2) and Bowls Club Autumn Fayre (p21) both on the 4th, and St Peter's Christmas Market on the 25th (p3).

St Peter's Church have two special services this month. All Souls Memorial Service on the 5th (p15) and Remembrance Service on the 12th (p16). Poppies will be sold door-to-door between Sat 28th October and Sat 11th November.

Tewin Stores' Saturday Lunch this month will be 'Soup and a Sandwich on the 18th (p25) and our November film is 'The Draughtsman's Contract' on the 20th (p10).

Looking ahead to New Year's Eve, make sure that you read page 10.

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

Jackie Murphy, Editor

TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL

AUTUMN BOOK SALE – SATURDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER: 10am – 4pm

On the above date the Tewin Memorial Hall will be holding its popular Autumn Sale. Entrance is free and you'll have the opportunity to browse around hundreds of books in numerous categories, including novels, biographies, gardening, cookery, sport, the arts, history, geography, transport, and many other specialised subjects. There will be hardback as well as paperback books, plus jigsaws, puzzles and CDs to suit all ages, as well as numerous children's books. As always, our second-hand books, some as new, will be on offer at very low prices.

In addition, you'll be able to sit down and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, so do come along and browse at leisure - we look forward to seeing you.

Meanwhile, we will need some help on both the Friday afternoon and Saturday of the Sale so if you think you can spare some time, please contact Linda Crawford on 717538.

If you wish to donate books or jigsaws, please bring them along early on the day of the Sale.

If you have any queries, please phone either *Linda on the above number, or e-mail: davidkempson@hotmail.com.*

The Tewin Memorial Hall Committee

**ST PETER'S
CHRISTMAS MARKET
SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER**

**12 noon – 3pm
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**Come and buy your Christmas presents, have a delicious
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There will be good quality **Gifts** for adults and children, **Jewellery**,
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**Tewin Cowper School
Fireworks Evening**

**Friday 3rd November 2017
Gate Opens at 6.15pm**

**Tickets (available on the gate)
£5 Adults, £3 Children**

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Tewin Parish Council



Planning Application 3/17/1952/OUT - Land North of Godfries Close access off Upper Green Road.

Construction of 4 dwellings- 2 three-bed and 2 two-bed and new vehicular access

Tewin Parish Council's response: This application is basically the same as application 3/17/0722/OUT, with four dwellings instead of nine. The number of dwellings was not a factor in any objections to 3/17/0722/OUT, nor in the EHC decision to refuse that application. Therefore all objections to 3/17/0722/OUT can be taken as objections to 3/17/1952/OUT and TPC are confident that EHC will again refuse the application. If there are fewer public objections to the latest application, it is because

- (a) local residents have expressed confusion over whether this is the same application that they have already commented on
 - (b) no apparent display of the usual yellow planning notice adjacent to the site.
- For the record TPC repeat our principal objections:

- (a) the applicant has not justified building on Green Belt land
 - (b) the proposals are incompatible with the submitted District Plan, and are thus not a sustainable development
 - (c) it would create a precedent for other developers with land around the village
- The futility of these applications re-enforces our view that they are part of a ploy to influence the Inspector at the District Plan Hearings, knowing full well that in order to get the application site taken out of the Green Belt, the whole of "site 8" would have to be declassified, and hence be open to further development.

Speed Indication Device ("SID")

This is due to be installed on the verge opposite Upper Green on 25th October 2017. The SID will show the speed a driver is travelling at and if the vehicle is within the speed limit a smiley face, if above the speed limit a frowning face.

East Herts District Plan Hearing

An Inspector has now been appointed by the Secretary of State to examine the East Herts District Plan.

The hearings are now in progress and are available to watch via Live webcast on the East Herts Council website. For more information about the District Plan and the EiP and for a more detailed timetable visit www.eastherts.gov.uk/districtplanexamination where you'll also find the link to the webcasts.

Parish Survey

Professor Martin Philip, University of Leicester and Professor Darren Smith from Loughborough University have been conducting a survey in Tewin since mid October comparing how rural places in UK, France and USA are changing in the 21st Century. They have selected Tewin because it was one of the villages

in an academic study by the influential sociologist Ray Pahl in the early 1960s. The study is not being commissioned by any interest group or organisation and they aim to publish academic material from the survey as well as share a summary of the research with members of the case study villages.

The study will involve a questionnaire survey of a cross-section of residents in Tewin and will include questions on people's perceptions of the village, their reasons for living in the village, how they have transformed their homes, their use of local services, their cultural preferences and their perceptions of change in the countryside.

PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 6th November 2017 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. 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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TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL

THE JUMBLE SALE CONTINUES TO GROW!

Yes, this year's Autumn Sale produced more donations than ever before – all thanks to the extreme generosity of so many people. Goods in all categories poured in and in fact extra space had to be found to accommodate many items. As a result, although the number of customers was slightly down on last year, probably due to the changeable weather, takings of £4,123 exceeded last Autumn's total, with some money still to be received.

This is a great result so, as always, our heartfelt thanks go to everyone who donated goods and to all those people who came along on the day to make purchases. And of course special thanks go to our wonderful team of 'Jumblers' – all those wonderful helpers who worked unstintingly, especially when it came to sorting the mountain of bags, boxes and other contributions throughout Friday and again on Saturday morning, as well as manning the stalls. They did so with enthusiasm and a light-hearted attitude, which made for a happy atmosphere. This was nurtured by the great team who kept everyone going with tea and biscuits on Friday and throughout Saturday! We are, however, looking for more help in this department so if you think you'd like to give an hour or so of your time at the next Sale, please contact Todd or Jean.

As previously, the whole Jumble Sale experience was again boosted by our leaflet distributors and volunteer area collectors, the latter having worked diligently to collect from all areas of the Village prior to the Sale, and we again give grateful thanks to them all. In addition, we had invaluable help from Denis Compton and Stuart Kirkham, who used their vehicles to collect heavy furniture and other large items, and the Hall Committee thanks them for their regular hard work and commitment. In addition, we also thank Jerry and Paula Collins who again served burgers, sausage and bacon rolls, cakes and drinks to the visitors and helpers alike.

So we are again happy to report that the Tewin Jumble Sale continues to thrive and, as well as providing revenue for the upkeep of the Memorial Hall, it also brings a lot of pleasure to a large number of people. It's satisfying that we now have a great many regular visitors – many from quite far afield - who come along to every Sale, so although these events entail a great deal of hard work by many people, it makes it worthwhile. Therefore, we send grateful thanks to everyone involved and look forward to seeing you all again at our Spring Jumble Sale on **Saturday, 10th March @ 2 – 4.30pm.**

Todd Canton (01438 717 395) – on behalf of The Memorial Hall Committee

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We are consulting on our School Admission Arrangements from 16th October to 24th November. The proposed admission arrangements are on our website at www.tewincowper@herts.sch.uk. The consultation is community wide and we welcome any comments for consideration by the Governing Body. If you would like to respond with any comments, please send them to:
The Governing Body, Tewin Cowper CE Primary School, Cannons Meadow, Tewin, AL6 0JU. Alternatively email them to:
admin@tewincowper.herts.sch.uk marked 'for the attention of the Governing Body'. Any comments must be received by Monday 27th November.

Macmillan Coffee Morning 29th September 2017

We would like to thank everyone who came to our coffee morning and whose generosity helped us to raise £659.00.

Ann Moon and all my helpers

Screen On The Green

On the 20th November we are showing “*The Draughtsman's Contract*” (1982). Originally produced by Channel 4, this film is an unusual murder/mystery set in the grounds of a country estate in the 17th century. Directed by Peter Greenaway it stars Anthony Higgins, Janet Suzman, Anne-Louise Lambert and Hugh Fraser. Visually stunning with beautiful costumes it is sometimes surreal, sometimes amusing and sometimes perplexing - should make for an entertaining evening. Come along and see what you make of it.

Coming up next month, with a Christmassy theme:

11th December: *It's a Wonderful Life* (1946)

MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER

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.

Marie St Pier

New Year's Eve

After several successful years, Paul Griggs has decided not to run our New Year's Eve do. Malcolm and I and a number of others would not like to see it slip and therefore we are writing to ask for expressions of interest. The Memorial Hall Committee have been very supportive and the Hall is free that evening. We are looking into the music. We think if we can get a good band, it will be viable and likely to be very successful. But can you please let us know whether you would be interested in coming? You can contact us at jrallen14@hotmail.co.uk or allendmw@outlook.com or you can phone us on 01438 798749.

And we'd be glad to hear your ideas on any aspects of the evening including the catering. We would be grateful if you will show your expressions of interest early so that we know whether we have sufficient numbers to go ahead. We hope to hear from you!!

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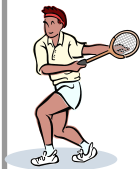
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Tewin Tennis Club



As I write this we have been enjoying some wonderful autumn sunshine, which has enabled the tennis courts on Upper Green to be put to full use. Don't forget the courts are open 365 days a year so do continue to enjoy them whenever you can.

On the last Sunday in September Cheryl and Bert Robinson put on their annual charity husband swapping tennis tournament, in aid of the Isabel Hospice. It was a brilliant event enjoyed in brilliant sunshine. There were some excellent, closely fought matches, unless you were unfortunate enough to come up against the dynamic Eileen and Steve. However, following lunch, and maybe a glass of wine, the dynamic duo were not so dominant and in the final round they only managed 5 points. Still, that was all part of the fun.

It was great to see so many tennis club members come along to support the event, and add to the pot of donations. A big thank you goes to all the ladies who made delicious cakes, and everyone who helped on the day, particularly Cheryl and Bert who put so much into the event. A final note from Cheryl:

We are pleased to tell you that we are able to give the Hospice £390, and with gift aid it will be over £480!

Peter Burgess

DUVETS AND TINS OF CORNED BEEF

Thank you to all those kind folk who filled our spare bedroom, and more, with unwanted duvets and sleeping bags and other bedding for St Saviour's Priory in Shoreditch.

John and I took a huge load of this material to the Priory in mid-October and were given a charming welcome by the Sisters. We will go again after Christmas so if you have any bedding you wish to donate, please keep it until then. We can also take small toiletry items such as, shaving kits, deodorant, toothpaste and toothbrushes, soap and shampoo, and clean men's socks and underpants. So if you are clearing out Great Uncle Joe's house you might bear this charity in mind.

With many thanks

Linda and John Gilley



Tewin Table Tennis Club

Following the success of the club's team in winning the division 4 SHAW League title last season, they were duly promoted to division 3 for the 2017/18 season.

League matches began in late September and from the results of the first two matches it was clear this was going to be a difficult and challenging year for the team. Both matches were lost (7-3 and 9-1) reflecting the much higher standard of the division. However the team regrouped as they say and were able to win their third match with a resounding 10-0 scoreline.

Home League matches are played in the Tewin Cowper School Hall on Thursday evenings thus allowing Club evenings to continue to be held on Tuesday evenings in the School Hall. Play during Club evenings is less serious in nature and open to members of any age or standard of play. The emphasis is very much on social enjoyment and getting to meet with old and new friends.

Club membership continues to increase for both adults and junior members. Currently we have over 10 junior members but we would particularly like to attract children in years 5 and 6 at Tewin Cowper School to come along from 7-8pm on Tuesday evenings.

Bats and balls are provided by the club. The cost for juniors is only £1 from 7-8pm and £3 for adults from 7pm till 10.00pm. Soft drinks are included.

For further information please contact John Sheridan on 01438 717407 or johnchris1@talktalk.net or simply come along on a Tuesday evening.

Herts & Middlesex Wildlife Trust Apple Day and BBC's Countryfile at Tewin Orchard, 8 October and 12 October 2017

On the 5 November Countryfile is featuring the Hide at Tewin Orchard with some spectacular pictures of the badgers and atmospheric studies of the orchard in the autumn sunlight, including Bramley Seedling apples recorded falling to earth in slow motion.

The BBC camera crew arrived just after we celebrated the Apple Day on Upper Green, all thanks to the kindness of Valerie Loughrey and the Pavilion Committee. This year's winner of the cider competition, the answer to which was A for the Herefordshire bottle, is Liz Keen of Watford who has also received a box of the Berkhamsted Hertfordshire variety Lane's Prince Albert apples with the flagon of cider as part of the prize. The Wildlife Trust staff put in a great effort to make the Apple Day a success and we have local Trust group members and other volunteers to thank for harvesting the crops. The Countryfile producer, Ruth Davies, was also very interested in Eileen Soper's Diaries and thought they deserved a programme of their own.

Thanks to Stephanie Marshall we have digitally transcribed them and edited them for publication. Eileen, who lived at Harmer Green and illustrated the Enid Blyton Famous Five books, has a big following in the USA and Japan as well as here and we are looking for an international publisher for the diaries, drawings and paintings. Her diaries are accounts of her badger watching and other natural history encounters between 1951 and 1986. Presenter Ellie Harrison was excellent, the badgers performed beyond the call of duty and the two visiting watchers were super, despite sharing the hide with a film crew.

Michael & Anna Clark, Hon Wardens Tewin Orchard Nature Reserve

Team Vicar's Letter

Oscar the cat loves a threshold. At the top of the stairs, the front door, an open window, he sits or lies neither in nor out. He doesn't care if he trips you up. He doesn't care if the wind makes the house draughty and blows in the leaves. A threshold is a special place for a cat.

The church is a threshold. When we enter, whether for worship with others or quietly creeping in when no-one is there, we enter a holy, in-between place. A place where heaven and earth meet. You can find this threshold - of two worlds touching - in the prayers of others before us, soaked into the walls; in the bread and wine served at the altar, that heavenly and earthly feast; in the history of those lives that lay buried in the churchyard and the words from Scripture hanging in the air 'I am the Resurrection and the Life'. In November we remember those who have crossed the threshold of this world into the next. All Saints, All Souls and Remembrance follow quickly from one another – calling us to honour and not forget the lives of people before us. And also reminding us that although this life is fleeting and will pass, there is another life to which we are invited to enter.

"I am the gate", says Jesus, "Whoever enters by me will be saved. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly" John 10: 9-10

Oscar sits on the threshold of my study door as I write this. It is a holy place.

Susannah

All Souls Memorial Service



A chance to remember by name those we have loved and lost through death.

St Peter's Church, Tewin
Sunday 5th November 6:30pm

If you would like your loved one remembered by name during the service, please add their name to the list in church, or email

team.vicar@welwyn.org.uk

The service will be followed by refreshments.

The retiring collection will go towards the upkeep of the church and churchyard.

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 ST READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL
NOV 5th	ALL SAINTS DAY 4th SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT	HOLY COMMUNION WITH BAPTISM	9.30 am	EDWARD CARDALE	1 JOHN 3: 1-3	PSALM 34: 1-10	MATTHEW 5: 1-12
		ALL SOULS	6.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ROMANS 8: 31-39		
12th	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 3rd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT	HOLY COMMUNION REMEMBRANCE	10:45am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	AMOS 5: 18-24	1 THESSALONIANS 4: 13-End	MATTHEW 25: 1-13
19th	2nd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT	FAMILY SERVICE	11.15am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	MATTHEW 25: 14-30		
		HOLY COMMUNION	6.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ZEPHANIAH 17: 12-18	1 THESSALONIANS 5: 1-11	MATTHEW 25: 14-30
26th	CHRIST THE KING	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	EZEKIEL 34: 11-16, 20-24	EPHESIANS 1: 15-End	MATTHEW 25: 31-End

**There will be a Remembrance Service on Sunday 12th November.
Please meet at the War Memorial outside St Peter's at 10.45am.**

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

ROTAS

SERVER	READER	SIDESMEN	COFFEE	FLOWERS	CLEANER
NOV 5th DAVID	LINDA GILLEY	MARY GREGG ELAINE FOWLER	DI BRADLEY	ELIZABETH WILSON	ELAINE FOWLER
	PAULINE SPRING	LINDA GILLEY KEITH BARNFIELD			
12th KEITH	KEITH BARNFIELD	MALCOLM SLAUGHTER MARK SWANN	JENNY DOXEY	REMEBRANCE	AMANDA GLEW
19th PAULINE	MILLIE BOOKER	DI BRADLEY NICKY HADLEY	LIS TYERS	REMEMBRANCE	MARY GREGG
	MALCOLM SLAUGHTER	PAULINE & GRAHAM SPRING			
26th DAVID	PAUL CROTTY	LINDA GILLEY KEITH BARNFIELD	TBC	ADVENT	PETE JOHNSON

St Peter's News

By the time this issue of the magazine is published our 'walking on coals' event will be a thing of the past and those of us currently shaking in our boots (or bare feet) will hopefully have survived the ordeal (?) intact. More next month.

Anyone associated with regular publications and deadlines will know that thinking about last month, this month and next, scrambles the brain! Trying to make contents relevant at publication is a challenge.

In November, St Peter's will hold the All Souls service at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday 5th November. If you have not already done so, you are invited to add the names of your loved ones to the list at the back of the Church or to come along and do so on the day. The following Sunday, 12th November, we will hold our Remembrance Service at 10.45 a.m.

Our Annual Christmas Market is taking place on the afternoon of Saturday 25th November and gifts for the Tombola and indeed any of the other stalls will be most welcome. Tombola gifts can be brought to the Church.

In December we will hold an event in the series Joy, Imagination, Courage and Generosity – and this time it is Generosity. Details will be available nearer the time, together with the arrangements for our community Nativity, Carol Service, Crib Service and other Christmas Services.

We also hope to have our new pew cushions by then and our thanks go to all of you who have already responded with a contribution towards these and those of you who will donate over the coming weeks.

PB

Being Aware

Every year in November, many churches hold an All Souls Service to remember by name those we have loved and lost through death. Ours in Tewin is on Sunday 5th November.

The vicar's letter last month quoted Paul's statement "love never ends" to introduce the service. It is a service which many find very helpful. The focus on those we have lost is good as we reflect on what they gave and meant to us.

The focus on those still with us is more than important. We can still do something about it. It is where we can show the never ending nature of love.

Ted Sharp



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ASTON BELL & HANDBELL RINGERS

Aston Church Bellringers have been ringing their set of handbells since 1894 when the Aston Rector bought the handbells for them.

The band have for some years had an interactive show ranging between 30 and 60 minutes, according to demand. This is seasonal entertainment which is performed between November and January in the evenings and weekends. The show includes handbell tune ringing, including Christmas tunes, plus demonstrations of English Church Bell Ringing together with stories about the lore of English bell and is put over in a light hearted and amusing way. The band can also provide a 'ringing work-shop' to groups wanting to try it out.

The show is suitable entertainment for Christmas Socials and events, youth groups, entertainment after a meeting, Senior Citizen Groups, and Care Homes. The group are often at WI meetings, University of the 3rd age and Church Groups. The team is usually about 10 strong and aged between 12 and 81 - with the majority often teenagers. A donation to Aston Church funds is optional but the band do ask for petrol expenses and are happy to go all over Hertfordshire.

If interested in making a booking please email astonpccclerk@gmail.com or telephone 01438 352505.

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BOWLS CLUB NEWS

The Bowls Club Winter programme is now in full swing. As well as numerous activities, as mentioned in the last issue of this magazine, it has now held the first of its popular Sunday lunches for members and patrons, which was highly praised by attendees.

The next big event at the Club is its Autumn Fayre on the 4th November from 10am – 4pm. As previously advised, this is held in conjunction with the Book Sale at the Memorial Hall and all attendees will be welcome at the Bowls Club where they can enjoy some home-made soup, cakes and drinks whilst browsing around the various attractions – more details of which are shown in the recently distributed flyer. You will also be able to enjoy free car parking at the Club.

Finally, if you would like more details on any of the Club's activities, or are interested in joining, as a player or patron, please contact Rob Kenway on 07552 780236 or Mike Howe on 07796 401610.

Shire Park Bowls Club (Tewin)

Pew Cushions at St Peter's Church

The Parochial Church Council has agreed to purchase pew cushions for all the pews in the Nave (left and right), and in the side (South) Aisle. We believe that these will greatly improve the comfort for those sitting in what are otherwise very hard pews.

If you would like to make a contribution towards the cost, which totals approximately £2,600, please make a cheque payable to St Peter's Church Tewin PCC and send it to Graham Spring, Treasurer, at 2b Hertford Road, Tewin, Herts. AL6 0JY.

Any such contribution could be a general one of any amount you like towards the overall cost, or perhaps linked to the cost of the three different sizes of cushion we are buying. These are £65 for the shortest in the South Aisle, £105 for the shorter ones in the Nave, and £155 for the longer ones on the right of the Nave. A small sample cushion in the chosen colour can be seen in the church. If you have already signed a Gift Aid tax declaration in favour of St Peter's, your donation will qualify for a 25% tax contribution from the Inland Revenue, which could then go towards the total cost of the cushions. If you haven't signed such a declaration but, as a taxpayer, could do so, please ask for a form to complete when you send me your cheque.

Many thanks in anticipation of your response to this important and exciting project.

Graham Spring, Treasurer

Tewin Community Transport Project
Update from the Steering Group - October 2017

We were very pleased to receive a £500 donation from the Friends of Tewin. This will be match funded by East Herts Council which means we have enough funds to continue until 31 March 2018.

The Saturday Community Minibus continues to run every week leaving Tewin at 9.30am and returning at 12.50pm. The Minibus takes a route via Welwyn North and WGC to Hertford and back. Every other Saturday the Minibus does an extra trip to Stevenage Town Centre leaving Tewin at 10.30am and returning at 13.45pm.

If you are disabled or otherwise need assistance you can be picked up at home with prior notice and subject to access. There is space for one wheelchair on the Minibus. Please discuss your needs when you book.

We are looking at trying to include Burnham Green residents so please get in touch if you live there or know anyone who does who might wish to come on board.

The Steering Group is considering how to extend the Service to other residents. At the moment the Minibus that is available is only suitable for adults or children over the age of 12 years. We know that this excludes parents with young children but we wish to change this for the future of the Service.

In the meantime we are looking at the needs of young people over 12 years who may wish to travel out of the village during the evening or at the weekend, and we would like to hear from them. We will be launching an online questionnaire soon in order to gather information.

The Fare is £4 Return or £2 One Way and it is half price for under 18s.

Please note that the Minibus will continue throughout the Autumn and Winter but there will be no Service on Saturday 30th December.

Places are limited to 10 seats so it is essential to book a place - please call Ann Kevis 01438 71747.

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Tewin Memorial Hall Supporters Club

Tewin Memorial Hall Draw

September 2017

1st	£61	Estate of Mr Richard Knight
2nd	£37	Michael Newman, Cannons Meadow
3rd	£12	Joanne Childs, West Riding
3rd	£12	Jamie Morrisroe, Orchard Road

Want to see your name here?

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Application forms and more information available from:

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

Tewin Stores

Life in the shop is often unpredictable and unexpected. We are delighted to welcome folk to enjoy gossiping over a coffee, or a pot of tea and a toasted teacake. Recently two ladies told me that the café and shop were a secret gem, which they had only just discovered. Two cyclists sitting nearby agreed, and said it was their secret, and they were keeping it to themselves. I rather hope they don't as the custom is always welcome!

A small select group attended the extra shareholders' meeting on 2 October, from which notes were taken and distributed to supporters.

During October we have had problems with delivery times of the newspapers. Smiths News created massive disruption when they reduced their distribution depots from three to two. Our papers, normally here about 5am, have been getting to the shop around 8am. Absolutely infuriating and entirely not in the interests of their customers. Our poor newspaper delivery people, Alan and Julie Day, have been left hanging about waiting for the papers to arrive. Apologies to all our customers for the late delivery of their papers.

The shop also wishes to thank Julie Day, who with her son and Bev, has been carrying on the newspaper delivery whilst Alan, her husband, has been undergoing surgery. We wish Alan a speedy recovery. Linda Crawford is making a good recovery from her hip operation and hopes to be serving **Saturday lunches again on Saturday 18 November from 12 noon to 2pm. We shall be offering Soup and a Sandwich.**

We are planning a special event in the run up to Christmas – please put the date in your diary – Friday 8th December from 5pm to 9pm in the shop. We shall be selling Christmas goodies, fruit cakes, and crafts. There will be raffles, and a complimentary mince pie and sherry/martinis for all who attend.

And a plea - we shall be grateful for any fruit cakes that our village cake makers like to contribute for this event. With many thanks....

At other times why not seek out the secret gem in your own village and come along for tea and cake and a friendly welcome at your shop.

The October winners in the 100 Club draw were:

1st Deborah Newton £43.00; 2nd Diana Bradley £21.50; 3rd Jacquie Mercer £12.90.

If you would like to support your village shop by becoming a shareholder, at a cost of only £25, or if you would like to volunteer in the shop, or be a member of the 100 club or the shop committee, please get in touch with me (01438 717385) or our Secretary Eleanor Lohr (01438 717709), or speak to Bev at the shop (01438 717929)

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SCARECROWS WEEKEND – 16th/17th SEPTEMBER

What a creative lot you are in Tewin! We had 45 scarecrows on display and what an amazing sight they were! We had lots of visitors during the weekend and although we weren't blessed with fine weather the whole time, the scarecrows made a wonderful spectacle, even if a few looked a bit damp by Sunday night! This year's entries were the best we have had and you can find lots of photographs on the village website, www.tewinvillage.co.uk. I want to thank everyone who entered the competition, you did a great job and this event couldn't happen without you.

CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE – 14TH DECEMBER

Our next event, which we organise on behalf of Tewin Parish Council, is Carols round the Christmas Tree on Thursday 14th December. This event is a favourite with young children and also the not so young! We will have our usual brass band playing while we sing festive songs and Christmas Carols. We are hoping that Father Christmas will have time to join us too. More details in the December edition.

Please ring Anne on 01438 718505 or Roe on 01438 717336 if you can make a batch of mince pies for us. Alternatively, you can add your name on to the list in Tewin Stores or email us on friendsoftewin@gmail.com Many thanks.

DONATIONS TO VILLAGES GROUPS/ORGANISATIONS

Are you involved in a group or an organisation that wants to improve its facilities? Do you need new equipment? If so, please let us know, we may be able to help. All groups can apply for a donation from Friends of Tewin by completing our application form. Please email friendsoftewin@gmail.com and we will send you an application form. Or alternatively you can ring Anne for more information on 01438 718505.

Anne Hall
Friends of Tewin

Mary Poppins Says Thanks

On the Scarecrow Weekend one of the entries was Mary Poppins, who was 'selling' poppy seeds in aid of The Isabel Hospice. She would like to thank all who contributed to a grand total of £50.

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Naturally the Friends hope to benefit from all the seasonal goodwill. As always, our Welwyn shop has a wide range of inexpensive gift ideas and you can be assured of finding a bargain – and in supporting the Friends you will be helping us to help the patients and their carers at Danesbury and QVM Hospital. Remember, everything we sell has been donated. We do not buy goods in for sale.

As in previous years we produce a small selection of Christmas cards. These are designs created by patients or volunteers and printed in our Danesbury office. This way every penny raised comes to the charity. These cards are available in our shop, and at Danesbury and QVM Hospital.

A date for your diary – on Saturday 2nd December we will be holding our Christmas sale in the Welwyn shop. Through the year we put aside items which are particularly suited to the occasion. Party clothes, presents, decorations and much else, so do come along and grab a bargain. We will put the proceeds to good use, and you will be saving money. A win win situation.

Find us on Facebook at Danesbury Shop Welwyn

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Isabel Hospice

4th November

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18th November

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25th November

Isabel Hospice Lights of Love

The Campus (On The Green), Campus West, Welwyn Garden City, AL8 6BX

Each year, Isabel Hospice hold eight remembrance ceremonies across eastern Hertfordshire, as an opportunity for our local community to remember and celebrate their loved ones and make a dedication in their memory.

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Tues	Tewin School	7-10.00pm	Table Tennis 7-8pm Juniors 7-10.00pm Adults
Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30-11am	Parent and Toddler Group
Thur	Lower Green	9.25am	Footpath walks of Tewin
Thur	Memorial Hall	1.30-4.30pm	50+ Club
Fri	Tewin Stores	2.30-3.30pm	Trussells Butcher's Van
Thurs 9th & 23rd	Pavilion	2.15-5.00pm	Bridge
Thurs 9th & 23rd	St Peter's Church	2-3pm	Little Lambs
Fri 3rd	Tewin School	6.15pm	Fireworks Evening
Sat 4th	Memorial Hall	10am-4pm	Book Sale
Sat 4th	Bowls Club	10am-4pm	Bowls Club Autumn Fayre
Sun 12th	St Peter's	10.45am	Remembrance Service
Sat 18th	Tewin Stores	12-2pm	Lunch 'Soup and a Sandwich'
Mon 20th	Memorial Hall	7pm	Screen on the Green 'The Draughtsman's Contract'
Sat 25th	Memorial Hall	12-3pm	St Peter's Christmas Market

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