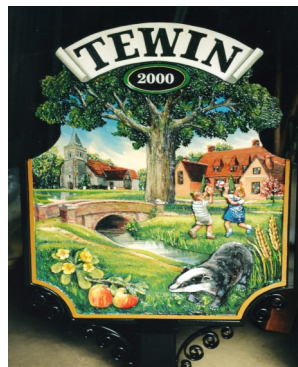




# *Tewin Magazine*

August 2024



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**Summer Sky**

## **Life in Tewin**

### **Mill House on Open Gardens Day**



### **Knit and Natter**

Welcome to the August 2024 edition of the Tewin Magazine.

Our cover photo this month was taken by Deborah Hoare and our page 2 photos by Graham Spring and Linda Crawford.

I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine. Please send to [tewinmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:tewinmagazine@gmail.com).

**Events this month are:**

Tewin Tennis Club ABC Finals and summer party on 2nd (p23).

Tewin Stores is the venue for a BBQ lunch on 24th (p29).

The ever popular Classic Car Show is on the 18th (p6) and the annual Poetry Pilgrimage is on the 17th (p16).

For many years Pete Johnson has worked tirelessly to keep St Peter's churchyard looking wonderful and year on year has been a steadying hand in making sure that church services, baptisms, weddings and funerals all run smoothly. She has also co-ordinated the annual Spring clean which keeps the church looking so beautiful. She is now moving northwards to be near family and after the Summer Evensong at St Peter's on the 11th there will be an opportunity to gather to say thank you and farewell.

Screen on the Green and the Technology Advice Sessions are taking a break in August. They'll both be back in September.

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

**Trussells Butcher's Van** is outside the shop on Fridays from 1.30-2.45pm. Call 01438 812304 if you wish to order in advance.

**A Mobile Fish Van** is at Burnham Green on Wednesdays from 12-12.30pm. Call Kelvin on 07847 176847 for orders.

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

Views expressed in the '*Tewin Magazine*' are not always those held by the Parish Council or by the Parochial Church Council

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There are plans for special trips to Garden Centres and other locations that passengers would like to visit – please do give us your ideas!

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For more information and to book your seats please contact: Ann Kevis on 01438 717473

### ROSE & CROWN

Greene King have advised that they are recruiting for a long term tenancy for this site.

They have also submitted a planning application:

3/24/1075/LBC - The Rose And Crown, Upper Green Road, Tewin. Creation and alterations to external steps, creation of planters. Erection of 2 pergolas and alterations to roof of pergola. Changes to external flooring. Creation of fixed bench seating and alterations to flooring within the barn – *TPC No Comment.*

### HEDGES

Now that we are heading towards September and the birds have finished nesting, Tewin Parish Council would be grateful **if all residents who have hedges on their land bordering a footpath or pavement would cut them back if they are overhanging or partially blocking the path.**

### COMMON RAGWORT

This is a common weed found throughout the British Isles however it is very toxic to horses and other livestock and can have potentially fatal consequences if ingested either in its green or dried state.



Under the Weeds Act 1959 the Secretary of State may serve an enforcement notice on the occupier of land on which injurious weeds are growing, requiring the occupier to take action to prevent the spread of injurious weeds. The Weeds Act specifies **five** injurious weeds: Common Ragwort, Spear Thistle, Creeping or Field Thistle, Broad Leaved Dock and Curled Dock.

By promoting good practice and good neighbourliness it is hoped that this weed can be controlled.

**If you find you have it in your garden please put rubber gloves on and remove the plant and place it in the black bin to prevent livestock eating it.** Fragments of root will remain in the ground so new growth will have to be monitored and removed year after year.

**Search for more information on the identification and control of ragwort at [www.defra.gov.uk](http://www.defra.gov.uk)**

**NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024.

All meetings start at 7.45pm and are held at Tewin Memorial Hall.

### **PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION**

**Website:** [www.tewinvillage.co.uk](http://www.tewinvillage.co.uk)

**Agenda:** Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores & website 3 working days before the meeting.  
*All Parishioners are welcome to attend and can make comments at the start of the meeting.*

**Minutes:** These are displayed at Tewin Stores, Tewin Memorial Hall and on the website. The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

**Meeting Dates and Newsletters:** These are published on the website.

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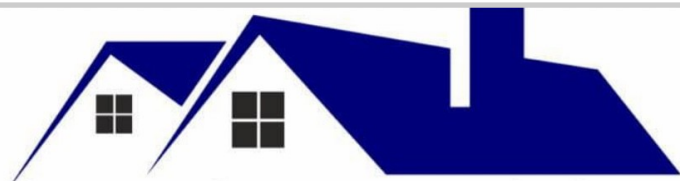


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## **On The Farm Progressing Towards Harvest.**

We have just done, and passed, our Red Tractor Crops Audit; I have to keep a paper trail of what we do on the farm, what's done in every field throughout the year, the service of machines, chemical stock, clean out and hoover out the grain store; and we have to record the grain temperatures every month. This year has been somewhat different, as I have a Portal. This means we take photos with our phones of all paper work and scan it to the Portal. The inspector can view all details before her visit, this will now let me get my Yellow Assurance Stickers which will go with every load of grain. Without the stickers I would be unable sell my crops.

Our crops have stood up to the heavy downpours of rain this month quiet well. The peas look great, they love the rain, the wheat has had enough, it wants some sunshine to ripen the crop.

Last March I bought 5 little Hereford steers, they have been a joy to see in the fields, around the Church. Now 3 have matured and have been sent to market. You could say to me 'Why have they been sent to market?'. They were at their prime, if kept longer they would put on fat and their meat would be past their best. Butchers only buy the best.

Ivor Williams

### **Memorable August Events**

**12th August 1960**

The first communications satellite, Echo 1, was launched from Cape Canaveral in Florida.

**6th August 1762**

The sandwich is born. The Earl of Sandwich asked for meat to be served between two slices of bread to avoid interrupting his gambling game for dinner.

## Arts, Crafts and Gifts Summer Sale June 2024

A big thank you to all those who came to visit our first Summer Arts, Crafts and Gifts Sale in the Memorial Hall on the 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Despite the very un-June-like weather and numerous other Summer events happening it was good to see so many people supporting our talented local artists and crafts people.

It is hoped that this will now become an annual event along with our usual Winter Sale.

Thank you to those who donated cakes to the Charity Cake Stall.

An amazing £370.60p was made which will be donated to the Isabel Hospice.

Our next Sale will be an opportunity to buy your unique Christmas presents and will be held in the Memorial Hall on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

We look forward to seeing you then.



### Tewin Community Bus Saturday shopping trips

**OTHER TRIPS THIS YEAR HAVE INCLUDED  
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## **Fifty Thrifty Adventures To Have In Herts This Summer**

This summer, not far from your doorstep and beyond the front gate, there's lots for you to do all over Hertfordshire.

HCC have put together a list of *Fifty Thrifty Adventures* - 'no cost' or 'low cost' activities in our county to keep you and your children entertained this summer.

Hours of fun and discovery await in our *Fifty Thrifty Adventures*, and these can be easily tracked down on foot or by cycling or scooting – and there's always the bus with [discounted £2 bus fares](#) to help get you going places, with discounts available for the not-so-little trips.

Whether you're in the north, east, south, or west of your county, the six weeks of summer are a fantastic opportunity to explore all that's on offer right across the 600-plus square miles of Hertfordshire. Our Fifty Thrifty list can be downloaded from

**<https://tinyurl.com/Fifty-things-To-Do>.**

We've also shared some of the ideas on the list below.

Complete the [Summer Reading Challenge](#)

Visit [Herts Archives](#)

Listen to an Audiobook through the [Borrowbox app](#)

Visit a [local museum](#)

Picnic in the [park](#)

Take a ride on [East Herts Miniature Railway](#)

Join a [Junior park run](#)

[Go Geocaching](#)

### **August Was A Fateful Month For The Ancient Roman City Of Pompeii.**

On August 24, 79AD, Mount Vesuvius erupted near the city. The mountain spewed out great clouds of ash, smoke, and pumice, which rained down on Pompeii's citizens. Unfortunately for Pompeii, that wasn't the end of it either – next came molten lava, which buried the remaining residents 7 feet (2.1 m) deep!





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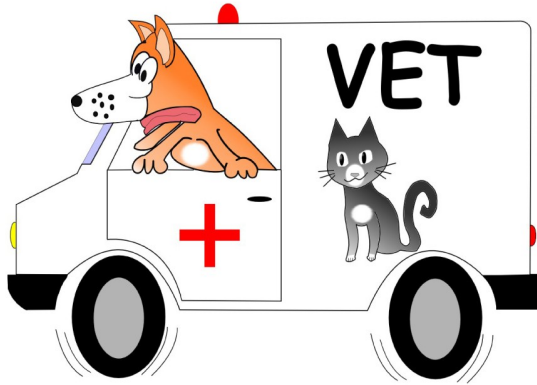
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## Open Gardens – A Cheery Addendum

In addition to opening our garden to help raise funds for the village church, my wife and I decided to try to raise some money for the local Isabel Hospice by offering wine, with donations to the Hospice gratefully accepted. Although we only have a narrow cottage garden, it has a surprising number of comfortable places to sit and sip, some accompanied by sheep.



Although the majority of visitors were admirably abstemious, and more focussed on the profusion of plants and unexpected art objects, a few did linger with the aid of a glass or two, and as a result we were able to donate £125 to the Hospice. Cheers to everyone who joined us.

David and Julia Kempson

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## **Tewin Memorial Hall Draw**

Here are the winners for June's Supporters Club Draw.

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>£47</b>	<b>Samantha Collins, Lower Green</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>£28</b>	<b>Stephen Stott, Harwood Close</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>£9</b>	<b>Angela Johnson, WGC</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>£9</b>	<b>Lynn Elliott, Welwyn</b>

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**“Hope is the thing with feathers”**

# **POETRY PILGRIMAGE**

**SATURDAY 17TH AUGUST**

Amble from All Saints Datchworth to St Peter's Tewin  
through beautiful countryside, stopping enroute for  
poetry and short reflections about our spiritual journeys

Reflections by The Rev'd Susannah Underwood

Ornithological observations by Colin Hull

9:30am - 2:30pm

£10 includes lunch

to register interest:

[susannahunderwood1@gmail.com](mailto:susannahunderwood1@gmail.com)

## Team Vicar's Letter

*Hope is the thing with feathers* wrote the American poet Emily Dickenson, describing the resilience of the human soul as like a tiny bird that continues to sing despite the storms that rage around it. The world around us is rarely calm, but there is an invitation to feed your small song of hope on this year's **Poetry Pilgrimage**. It is an opportunity to not only enjoy the beautiful countryside of our parishes and the company of friends old and new but also this year we will be joined by local ornithologist, Colin Hull, who will give us insights to the birds that surround us as we walk.

The walk begins on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August 9:30am** at All Saints, Datchworth and is a gentle amble to St Peter's Church, Tewin. Along the route we will stop to be led in short reflections on pieces of poetry which this year are connected by the theme of birds. There will be plenty of stops, loos and lunch is provided. There is a £10 charge to cover costs. Do email me if you'd like to join us.

Another place to find a song of hopefulness is at the **Burnham Green festival service on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 10am**. To celebrate the Burnham Green festival weekend the congregations of both St Peter's and All Saints gather for a celebratory service in the marquee on Burnham Green. Come along!

With every good wish,  
Susannah  
Susannahunderwood1@gmail.com

# ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 <sup>ST</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL
AUGUST 4th	10th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION  SUMMER EVENSONG AT CODICOTE	9.30am  6.30pm	TBC	EXODUS 16: 2-4, 9- 15,	EPHESIANS 4: 1-16	JOHN 6: 24-35
11th	11th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION  SUMMER EVENSONG TEWIN	9.30am  6.30pm	TBC	1 KINGS 19: 4-8  TBA	EPHESIANS 4: 25—5: 2  TBA	JOHN 6: 35, 41-51  TBA
18th	12th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	MORNING PRAYER	9.30am	TBC	PROV- ERBS 9: 1-6	JOHN 6: 51-58	
		MESSY CHURCH  SUMMER EVENSONG AT AYOT St PETER	3pm  6.30pm				
25th	13th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	BURNHAM GREEN JOINT SERVICE WITH DATCHWORTH  SUMMER EVENSONG AT WELWYN	10am  6.30pm	TBC	JOSHUA 24: 1-2A, 14-18	EPHESIANS 6: 10-20	JOHN 6: 56-69

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



ROTAS					
SERVER	READER	SIDESMEN	COFFEE	FLOWERS	CLEANER
<b>AUGUST</b>  <b>4th</b>  <b>DAVID</b>	<b>KAREN</b>  <b>SHAW</b>	<b>CLARE</b> <b>RAWLINS</b>  <b>MARK</b> <b>SWANN</b>	<b>SUZANNE</b> <b>CARDALE</b>	<b>SHEILA</b> <b>FEAKES</b>	<b>DI</b> <b>BRADLEY</b>
<b>11th</b>  <b>ALED</b>	<b>NICKY</b> <b>HADLEY</b>  <b>TBA</b>	<b>GRAHAM</b> <b>AND</b> <b>PAULINE</b> <b>SPRING</b>  <b>ANNE</b> <b>LAND</b>	<b>JANET</b> <b>ROBINS</b>  <b>LINDA</b> <b>GILLEY</b>	<b>PAULINE</b> <b>BROWN</b>	<b>ANGELA</b> <b>WILLIAMS</b>
<b>18th</b>	<b>LINDA</b> <b>GILLEY</b>	<b>ROZ</b> <b>HOLDEN</b>	<b>LINDA</b> <b>GILLEY</b>	<b>CLARE</b> <b>RAWLINS</b>	<b>PETE</b> <b>JOHNSON</b>
	<b>NO</b>	<b>EVENING</b>	<b>SERVICE</b>	<b>AT</b>	<b>ST PETER'S</b>
<b>25th</b>  <b>PAULINE</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>ELAINE</b> <b>FOWLER</b>  <b>SPIKE</b> <b>NICHOLSON</b>	<b>DATCH-</b> <b>WORTH</b>	<b>ELAINE</b> <b>FOWLER</b>	<b>ANGELA</b> <b>WILLIAMS</b>

**The Church will be floodlit in loving memory of Roger Temple on his birthday, September 3rd, from Elizabeth and all his family.**

## St Peter's News

*A church at the heart of the village, with space for all*

Rain again! Well at least it stayed dry and mostly sunny for our Open Gardens event at Petertide. This was a very successful joyful occasion when we were fortunate to see a huge variety of gardens around our village and to enjoy cake and tea with friends and family. The great thing also is that we raised over £2,000 for church funds which goes some way to plug the gap in our general finances for this year. So - many thanks to everyone who was involved with this effort –thirty-five households helped in some way, giving pleasure to many people from near and far. And thank you to all who came to enjoy the gardens.

**Summer Evensong** has started in the Welwyn Team during July with the theme of the natural world as shown in the bible. Our own event will be on **11<sup>th</sup> August at 6.30pm when we shall be celebrating Gardens** again! Afterwards we will enjoy a glass of bubbly, alcoholic or non-alcoholic, and some nibbles. These events are an opportunity to visit the other churches in the team, see what they have done in the past year, sing with their choirs, and meet up with friends.

Other Summer Evensongs in August are

**4<sup>th</sup> August - Codicote - Rivers**

**18<sup>th</sup> August - Ayot St Peter - Wilderness**

**25<sup>th</sup> August – Welwyn - Sky**

On this Sunday the **Annual Joint Service on Burnham Green with All Saints, Datchworth will take place at 10am.**

For over a year now St Mary's Welwyn has been running a monthly concert at 12 noon on (usually) the second Saturday in the month. If you haven't been before, look out for the ads in this magazine or in Welwyn. They are really good and a useful way again to raise much needed funds for the church. Concerts are free but a donation towards the cost of the artiste(s) and church funds is requested.

After a long protracted piece of work, the project team for the new facilities at the church finally submitted the documents requested by the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) at the end of June. The committee recognised the

amount of work that had gone into our submission and were very encouraging about the next steps. We had spent much time considering all the possible places where a new building might be placed, coming to the conclusion, that the most logical location is to the east of the South Porch. A small new building here will include two toilets, one accessible, with baby changing facilities, a kitchenette, and small space for meetings, small celebrations and Messy Church. At the same time, we will re-order the vestry to include more storage space. The DAC has asked us to produce some sketches of what such a new building might look like in time for their next meeting later in the year, before we do a formal design which will of course be shared with the community.

We hope to work with Historic England on the project as well as our architects, Dennis Sharp Architects.

We are very sorry to report that Pete Johnson, a past Churchwarden, and currently our Verger, will be leaving the area soon to live closer to her family in the north of England. She has been a stalwart member of our congregation for many years and a familiar sight in the churchyard where she has worked tirelessly to keep the area in good order. She has been at church Sunday after Sunday to set up for services every week, and present at baptisms, funerals and weddings. Thank you, Pete, for everything you have done for St Peter's. Come back and see us sometime. You are going to be sadly missed.

Susannah is again leading our **Annual Poetry Pilgrimage** from Datchworth church across the fields to St Peter's Tewin on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August from 9.30am – 2.30pm**. This has been a very enjoyable event in the past despite sometimes rainy weather, ambling through the countryside, stopping en route for poetry, short reflections on our spiritual journey and ornithological observations by Colin Hull. Do get in touch if you would like to join in. [susannahunderwood1@gmail.com](mailto:susannahunderwood1@gmail.com).

If you have lost loved ones recently, or are in poor health or spirits, please remember the Welwyn team of clergy are there to give support.

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## Tewin Tennis Club

Is it just me, or was Wimbledon fortnight unusually thrilling this year? So many great matches, with some truly entertaining games right through to finals of men's, women's and doubles.

Did you get tickets in the draw this year? Once upon a time the tennis club was allocated tickets by the LTA to pass out to members, but that has changed to members applying directly through the ballot. But whereas we used to be offered a dozen or so pairs as a club, anecdotally that number appears to have diminished.

The first couple of weeks of July were inundated with fantastic sport on the TV – Wimbledon, the British Grand Prix, Tour de France and, of course, the Euros. Which is why we pushed the club's mixed doubles tournament to the end of that fortnight. The icing on the cake!

So, on a Sunday morning in the middle of July, 18 players met up to contest our annual tournament. Couples were paired up randomly, and then played extensive round robin matches before the semi-finals were worked out.

Then onto the finals, won by the strong pairing of Helen Halliwell and Steve Adamthwaite who overcame runners up Hazel Lee and Mike Purser. The weather was very kind to us and, as with all our club events, it was also a lovely social occasion followed by a terrific lunch in the pavilion and then a dash home to watch the men's finals from Wimbledon. Next up are Ladies and Men's doubles on 1st September. Please block the date in your diary.

Earlier in July we ran an open coaching session for anyone in the village who cared to come along. Our excellent coach, Josh, spent an hour with a dozen juniors and the same again with even more adults, and an enjoyable time seemed to be had by all. Josh runs after school coaching for youngsters once a week and recently reinstated his Thursday group session for adults at 6pm. The cost for the latter is £8; drop Josh a message on 07305 732882 to get onto his WhatsApp group for updates.

Chris & Lia Parkinson - our Quiz night leaders - have asked TTC to support the children's cancer charity Young Lives vs Cancer. We are very happy to do this, and will be asking for donations for each game you've recently played. So be ready to dip into your pocket at the ABC Finals night on Friday 2 August. Did I mention that everyone is welcome? And that there will be music, food and drinks, with a party atmosphere in beautiful evening sunshine in front of the pavilion?

Be there!

Peter Burgess

## **Herts And Middlesex Wildlife Trust Has Launched A £280,000 Fundraising Campaign To Help Wildlife In Crisis As Rising Costs Threaten Nature's Recovery.**

The UK is one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world and last year, the State of Nature report found that nearly one in six species in Great Britain is threatened with extinction. Some of our once common species are at risk, for example numbers of Brown Hares are thought to have declined by more than 80% in the past 100 years. Turtle Doves – those icons of Christmas song – have seen their numbers plummet by 99% since the 1960s, Common Toads have declined by 68% over the past 30 years, and since 1970, flowering plant species have decreased by 54%, along with 18% of pollinators.

The Trust is the leading voice for conservation in the area, with over 23,500 members and over 1,100 active volunteers supporting its work. This year marks the charity's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary and, at this time, along with the scale of the nature and climate crisis, a further challenge is impacting on its ability to deliver the recovery plans needed – rising costs.

To drive nature's recovery forward, our campaign is looking to raise £280,000 from our supporters and local people who care about the wildlife and wild spaces on their doorsteps. We know we are not alone in feeling the pinch of rising costs but we all need a world where we can breathe and thrive amidst the sights, sounds and colours of nature. We appreciate any donation which will enable us to continue restoring vital ecosystems and supporting our most vulnerable wildlife.

During its 60-year history, these examples demonstrate the impact the Trust has had, locally:

- Purchased Lemsford Springs Nature Reserve with a fascinating array of habitats: shallow spring-fed lagoons, marsh, willow woodland, hedgerow and meadow – a great spot for winter birdwatching (1970)
- Took Tewin Orchard, a traditional village orchard, under management to protect it for wildlife, including badgers, deer, swallows, fungi and bullfinches (1985). Celebrated the Badger Hide at the nature reserve being opened by Kim Wilde and Steve Kourik (1990)
- Bought Archers Green Nature Reserve, following a successful £500,000 fundraising campaign, allowing a diverse range of plants and animals to flourish (2023)
- Proposed and secured Panshanger Park being named as Hertfordshire's first (and only England's 10th) Dragonfly Hotspot by the British Dragonfly Society, in partnership with owners, Tarmac (2023).

To support the continuation of the Trust's work and wildlife in crisis, please go to [hertswildlifetrust.org.uk/crisis](https://hertswildlifetrust.org.uk/crisis).

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## Kids Eat Free

It can be difficult trying to find places to eat with your children when you're on a budget, so we've rounded up a list of places to eat this Summer where your kids can eat for less or even for free!

[Asda](#) - Kids (aged 16 and under) eat for £1 all day, every day

[Beefeater](#) - Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult

[Bella Italia](#) - Kids eat free all day every Thursday and for £1 between 4-6pm, Sunday - Wednesday

[Bill's](#) - Up to two kids can eat for free on weekdays from 22 July-30 August, with one adult main dish

[Brewers Fayre](#) - Up to two kids can receive a free breakfast with one paying adult

[Dobbies Garden Centre](#) - One free children's breakfast with any adult traditional or full breakfast or a free child's hot meal or pick n mix lunch box with any adult main course

[Dunelm Café](#) - Free mini meal deal with every £4 spent in the cafe.

[Las Iguanas](#) - Kids eat free when you download the 'My Iguanas' app

[Premier Inn](#) - Kids eat for £1 from 5 July-1 September when an adult purchases a main and drink off the core evening menu

[Morrisons](#) - Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day

[Sainsburys](#) - Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main

[Sizzling Pub and Grill](#) - Monday to Friday, kids mains are £1 with every adult meal

[YO! Sushi](#) - From 1 July - 30 August, kids eat free all day when dining with a full-paying adult

[TGI Fridays](#) - Kids eat free when 'Stripes Rewards Members' order an adult's main, all day every day.

**Make sure you always check the terms and conditions of each restaurant or café before you go to avoid disappointment or unwanted cost. You can do this on their websites or check with the restaurant staff before ordering.**

## **Fun Facts about the Olympic Games**

### **The 2024 Summer Olympics marks the third time Paris has hosted the event**

The second-ever modern Olympics were held here in 1900, and then Paris hosted them again in 1924. Paris and London are now tied for hosting the most Olympics. At the next Summer Games in 2028, Los Angeles will host its third, making it a three-way tie.

### **Before the Games begin, there's a months-long Torch Relay**

As always, the relay began in Greece, an homage to the home of the ancient Olympics. Greece also has the honour of entering first during the Parade of Nations, while the host nation enters last. (In 2004, when Athens hosted, the Greek flag bearer entered first, while the rest of the Greek delegation entered last). The torch was lit in April, reached France in May and continues to tour the country and its territories overseas. Along the way, about 10,000 torchbearers will carry it through more than 400 towns.

### **During the 2024 Opening Ceremony, athletes won't parade through a stadium**

Instead, they are expected to float on boats down the River Seine toward the Eiffel Tower. For the first time ever, free access will be offered via invitation. Of course, some shelled out serious cash for the best seats and views: The last unsold tickets were just shy of £2,400 apiece.

### **The Olympics feature fewer events than they used to**

Tokyo 2020 had a whopping 339 events. The count for Paris 2024 is still high, though, at 329. But take note of this fact about the Olympics: Gone are karate (not entertaining enough, according to Reuters) and baseball (the Olympics schedule conflicts with Major League Baseball). But there is also one entirely new sport this summer: breaking—or, as it's more commonly known, break-dancing. No other dance sport has previously been included at the Olympics.

### **Unusual sports were once part of the Games**

Solo synchronized swimming (ummm ...), tandem bicycle, tug-of-war, hot-air ballooning and a swimming obstacle race. And from 1912 to 1948, the Olympics also included artistic competitions. Painters, sculptors, architects, writers and musicians all vied for medals in their fields.

### **Strange Olympic mascots have been a tradition since 1968**

The Olympic mascots are anthropomorphic something-or-others that are supposedly symbolic of the host country's culture.

This time, it's a phryge (FRI-jee-uh)—a soft red hat worn during the French Revolution. Other odd mascots have included the indefinable Izzy (prompting the question from those who couldn't tell, "What Izzy?") from Atlanta '96, and a one-eyed -Teletubby-esque creature called Wenlock from London 2012.

## Tewin Stores and Cafe

In July we held the shop AGM, attended by 19 shareholder members. After drinks and nibbles Paul Hagger, our chairman, gave a report on the past year. He commented on what we have achieved during that time, including updating the shop kitchen, interior redecoration and procuring 5 stars on our hygiene certificate. He mentioned that, despite being a community shop, we still need to make a profit, so finding new suppliers has helped to reduce costs. We must also increase our marketing efforts to draw in more customers.

Robert, our treasurer, outlined the shop's financial report which can be seen in more detail either in the shop or on the web-site. The overall picture is that we need more footfall and a plea has gone out for villagers to try to use the shop at least once a week. It is a particularly valuable asset for those who do not have a car or want to use online shopping; but it is also a place to pop in and meet people over a cup of tea or coffee, especially when you live on your own. Don't forget it is a "community shop" with both a café and post office.

We will now welcome anyone who needs a small community space for a meeting, learning a craft, music lesson or ongoing schooling. For a small fee you can hire the shop in the evening from 4pm. For more information please contact the Shop at [tewinstores@gmail.com](mailto:tewinstores@gmail.com).

The Summer Supper date has now passed; I have no special news to tell you except I expect to have been there - never miss a good cooked 3 course meal! The next Saturday lunch on August 24th at the shop I am pleased to say is a BBQ. We used to have one every year before Covid, so I am pleased to have Jerry and Paula back to cook BBQ burgers, sausages and chicken with salad. Also a pudding will be on offer but prices may vary this time according to what you have; but always good value for money whatever you choose. It will also be available as a take-a-way. Usual time of 12.15 till 1.30.

The 100 Club winners for July were:

1st Prize: Jacinta Boland      £42.50

2nd Prize: Catherine Stott      £21.25

3rd Prize: Irene O'Brien      £12.75

Have you picked up your 100 Club joining form yet? If you are not in it, you won't win it!

### Opening Hours:

**Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4pm**

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Save the date, spread the word, and snap up your tickets now to join us at Tewinbury Farm Hotel for a bank holiday weekend celebration. like no other.

## Friends of Tewin



Has Summer arrived yet? As I write this article in the middle of July, the answer is, sadly, no! However, by the time this magazine drops through your door I am hoping the sun will be shining and that it will continue for the children's school holidays and also the **Tewin Classic Car and Craft Show on 18<sup>th</sup> August.**

Hundreds of cars will be on display again, along with a wide variety of craft stalls, and our usual loyal food outlets so there'll be something of interest for everyone and we are delighted to be sponsored again this year by the prestigious McLaren and Aston Martin of Grange, Hatfield.

I know by now that a lot of you have already offered to help us on the day with marshalling duties etc and also serving our famous home-made cakes, all of which are kindly donated by Tewin residents - perhaps you have a new cake recipe that you would like to try out – we are very happy to test it!! If you feel you would like to be involved, we would love to hear from you at our e-mail below.

As I said, we are extremely grateful to all our volunteers so, a big thank you and we look forward to you being with us on the day.

Shirley Sinfield

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Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30– 11am	Parent and Toddler Group
Wed	Burnham Green	12-12.30pm	Mobile Fish Van
Wed	Memorial Hall	7.30-9pm	Tewin Ukelele Group (TUG)
Thurs	Lower Green	9.25am & 10am	Footpath walks of Tewin
Thurs	Memorial Hall	1.30-4.30pm	50+ Club
Fri	Tewin Stores	1.30-2.45pm	Trussells Butcher's Van
Thurs 1st, 15th & 29th	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
None in August	Memorial Hall	2-3.30pm	Technology Advice
Fri 2nd	Upper Green	From 7pm	Tennis Club ABC Finals and Summer Party
Sun 11th	St Peter's	6.30pm	Summer Evensong
Sat 17th	All Saints Datchworth	9.30am-2.30pm	Poetry Pilgrimage
Sun 18th	Upper Green	12-5pm	Classic Car Show
Sat 24th	Tewin Stores	12.15-1.30pm	Lunch BBQ

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