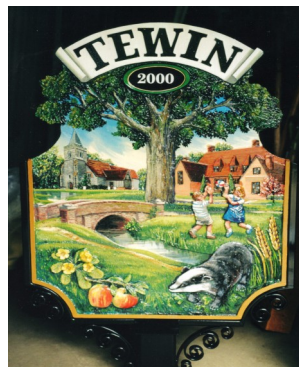




Tewin Magazine



January 2025

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Happy New 2025



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at the Christmas
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Welcome to the January 2025 edition of the Tewin Magazine.

I wish all our readers a very Happy New Year.

I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine.

Please send to tewinmagazine@gmail.com.

I hope you have enjoyed the Magazine over the past year.

Subscriptions are due for renewal in January. Please see page 6 for details.

After the busy days of December, January is a quieter month.

Tewin Stores are having a Fish Pie lunch on 25th (p29).

Screen on the Green is showing 'The Holdovers' on 20th (p10), the Technology Advice Sessions are on 9th and 23rd (p30) and Messy Church is on 19th (p28).

Further afield the free monthly concert at St Mary's, Welwyn is on the 11th (p16).

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

Don't forget that the traditional date for taking down your Christmas decorations is Twelfth Night which, according to the Church of England, is the night BEFORE Epiphany, i.e 5th January.

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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

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Tewin Parish Council



CHRISTMAS TREE

The Parish Council would like to thank Friends of Tewin who have arranged the decorating of the Christmas tree on Lower Green.

PRECEPT

At their meeting on 2nd December 2024 the Parish Council reviewed the precept options for the Financial Year Ending 31.3.2026 and in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Council they unanimously agreed to increase the precept by 14.5% from £38,000 to £43,500 to accommodate inflation rises and ongoing annual parish tree works.

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Monday 3rd February 2025

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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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We are happy to say that there has been no increase from last year.

A big thank you to all the valued distributors and everyone involved, especially Jackie Murphy for producing such an interesting Magazine.

If you don’t currently subscribe and would like a monthly delivery then please contact me, Sue Whitbourn, on 01438 798221. Otherwise purchase can be made in Tewin Stores or St Peter’s Church at 80p per copy.

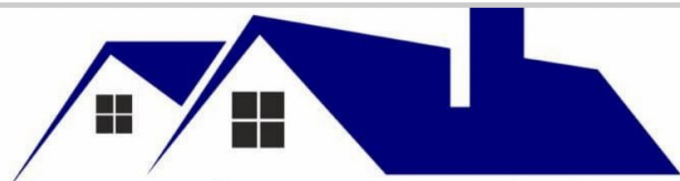
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With very best wishes for 2025.

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Judy Puddefoot and Sue Whitbourn



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To get in touch with the charity trustees, please contact the Rev Susannah Underwood on 01438 817183

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This will be treated with complete confidentiality.

Friends of Tewin



Well, a New Year is upon us already – 2025 – and as I look back on the events we organised during 2024 I hope that those of you who were able to join us enjoyed yourselves as much as we enjoyed organising them – our final event of the year being ‘Carols around the Christmas Tree’ on 18th December. By the time you read this article, the event will have happened so we hope you all had a lovely evening, soaking up the festive atmosphere, with a warming glass of Mulled Wine or Hot Chocolate and a mince pie (or two).

Our first event of the New Year will be the SENIORS’ LUNCH on TUESDAY 18 th FEBRUARY 2025 in the Memorial Hall which we are already planning. This is open to anyone who lives in Tewin and is 60 years or over. We will serve a home-made two-course meal and an invitation will be delivered to every home in Tewin by mid-January. If you are eligible, you need to return the reply slip by 31st January. The lunch is very popular so make sure you return your slip in good time to reserve your place.

Should you misplace your invitation, copies will be available from Tewin Stores.

Our ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Parish Room, Memorial Hall at 6pm on TUESDAY 25th FEBRUARY 2025 and you are all welcome. The agenda will be on display in Tewin Stores 21 days prior to the meeting.

Our biggest event of the year is, of course, the Tewin Classic Car and Craft Show so please put this year’s date in your diary - Sunday, 17th August 2025 and we can only hope that this year’s event will be as successful as last year, having raised just under £10,000 which will be distributed to help the Tewin community in many ways.

In closing, on behalf of the Friends of Tewin Committee, may we wish you a very Healthy and Happy New Year.

Shirley

Chair, Friends of Tewin

Screen On The Green

We start the New Year on Monday 20th January with “*The Hold-overs*”, a comedy/drama from 2023 directed by Alexander Payne.

Set in the 1970s, it tells the story of a curmudgeonly classics teacher (Paul Giamatti) at a New England boarding school who remains on campus over the Christmas break to chaperone five boys who have nowhere to go. The teacher forms a bond with one of the boys and the school cook who has recently lost her son in the Vietnam war.

The stand-out performance is Da'Vine Joy Randolph's portrayal of Mary the cook and both she and Giamatti won Oscars and Golden Globes for their roles in this movie. It's heart-warming and poignant with an engaging soundtrack – a mix of 70's rock tunes and Christmas hymns.

Wishing you a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Future Dates for the Diary:

17 th February	<i>East of Eden (1955)</i>
17 th March	<i>Breathless / A Bout de Soufflé (1960)</i> French
14 th April	To be confirmed
19 th May	<i>Ex-Machina (2014)</i>
16 th June	<i>Chinatown (1974)</i>

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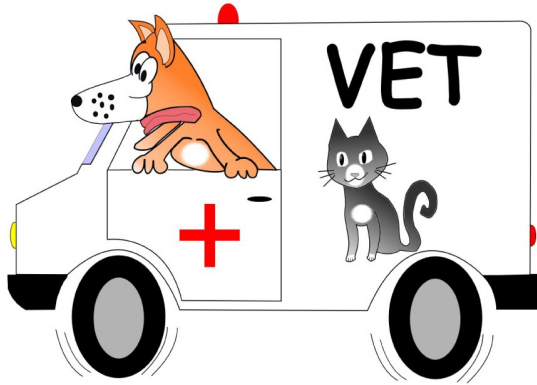
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Notes from an Apiary

On a wet Sunday morning, 1st December, I look out and reflect on the bee keeping year.

The bees expanded in spring giving us five good colonies. I think we did a good job in controlling swarming, but the Spring harvest was feeble. Why? A worry, then reassurance that all local beekeepers were in the same boat. The “drought” of nectar continued until mid-July with great forage from Lime resulting in a good summer crop.

September preparation for overwintering, particularly ensuring the hives are watertight and well ventilated. Mouse Guards are in place to prevent small mammals getting into a cosy spot and netting to discourage woodpeckers from drilling into a feast of honey and bees. The cold is not a problem to bees, but dampness will harm the colony.

Ending the year with cleaning, repairing any damaged hives and setting up for next year. One very important activity is planning a second treatment to reduce Varroa mites, a cold job for deepest winter.

What are our bees up to just now? Not a lot. They have worked themselves to death, literally, over the summer to build stores and a strong colony of bees to take the colony through winter. There will be around 10,000 bees in a good colony over winter. The cold weather stops the Queen laying and there will be little if any brood in the colonies. At this time of year there is no forage so the only reason for bees to leave the hive is on “cleansing” flights. The main objective for the workers is to keep the Queen warm. The bees will be in a ball with the Queen at the centre, keeping her at a cosy 35 Celsius.

We look forward to the next cycle in our beekeeping journey. What will 2025 bring? We will be thinking through our plans and what we need to do to continue to support the bees we are responsible for.

I hope you have found reading these notes from an Apiary of mild interest. And anyone who has invested in our honey, that you have enjoyed it. To anyone who would like to try, it is available from Tewin Stores. To end the year we would like to send you all our best wishes for the festive season.

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Rob Burton won the Woodwind Category Final of *BBC Young Musician 2018* and went on to secure a place in the Grand Final at Birmingham's Symphony Hall, where he was concerto soloist with the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.

Since then Rob has been a soloist with some of the UK's leading orchestras, including the Britten Sinfonia and Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra as well as performing at prestigious international festivals, including Cheltenham, Harrogate, and the Oundle International Festival. Featured as one of Classic FM's '*Stars of Tomorrow*', he has performed in prestigious venues including Wigmore Hall, St John's Smith Square, St James' Piccadilly, Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle.

Rob previously studied Classical Saxophone on a full scholarship at the Royal Academy of Music with Huw Wiggin, and, while a scholarship holder at the Junior Guildhall School of Music, he was Principal Saxophone with the National Youth Wind Orchestra of Great Britain. He has recently completed his Masters degree at the Zürich University of the Arts in the renowned class of professor Lars Mlekusch, and began the prestigious Advanced Diploma degree at the Royal Academy of Music in September 2024.

These concerts are free to attend, with a collection afterwards to provide artists' fees and support the church's work to introduce youngsters to singing and music generally.

By Stephen Foster , Director of the Second Saturday Recitals

Team Vicar's Letter

There are six beautiful churches in the Welwyn Team and in 2025 two of them have significant anniversaries. The exquisite Arts and Crafts church of Ayot St Peter celebrates its 150th anniversary and the historic and much loved church of All Saints, Datchworth will celebrate 850 years of its building in that parish.

These anniversaries are poignant times to remember the people who have been before us, who in their generosity have left us these buildings of great beauty and the story of Christian hope that they proclaim. They are also times to celebrate the life and love which is enjoyed in the church communities today, as well as looking ahead to the new things that God is drawing us to.

Both churches will have special events throughout the year to celebrate these milestones. There will even be an archaeological dig!

On Saturday 15th February at 3pm there is a special service at All Saints, Datchworth for anyone who was baptised or married at the church to come and celebrate, followed by crafts for the children and fizz for the grownups. More information about other events will be publicised throughout the year.

Astonishingly parts of St Peter's Church date back to Saxon times but despite its grand age it is still a community which is very much alive and looking to serve the people in this time and in the future. Its beauty, history and the story it proclaims is a special treasure in this parish. You would be very welcome to join us in worship on a Sunday, or simply visit in the week for personal prayer. The doors are always open.

Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 ST READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL
JANUARY 5th	EPIPHANY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	RYAN GILFEATHER	ISAIAH 60 : 1-6	EPHESIANS 3 : 1-12	MATTHEW 2 : 1-12
12th	BAPTISM OF CHRIST	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ISAIAH 43 : 1-7	ACTS 8 : 14-17	LUKE 3 : 15-17, 21-22
19th	2nd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY	MORNING PRAYER	9.30am	COLIN HULL	1 SAMUEL 3 : 1-20	EPHESIANS 4: 1-16	
		MESSY CHURCH HOLY COMMUNION	3pm 6.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD & JO SAMPSON	ISAIAH 62 : 1-15	1 CORIN- THIANS 12 : 1-11	JOHN 2 : 1-11
26th	3rd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	NEHE- MIAH 8 : 1-3, 5-6, 8-10	1 CORIN- THIANS 12: 12-31a	LUKE 4 : 14-21

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

St Peter's Church was floodlit on New Year's Eve in memory of Kit and Bert Fernee and absent members of the Haggar family.

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8th December 2024
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St Peter's News

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

We are at the beginning of December as I write this so just into Advent and the beginning of Christmas. November passed me and my husband by, as we were struck down with a nasty cold bug from which we are still recovering. Thank you to all those kind people who got in touch to wish us better.

I kept myself busy, but resting, by reading *Our Mutual Friend* and *A Christmas Carol*, both by Charles Dickens. Who doesn't love *The Muppet Christmas Carol*? But the original is so beautifully written and so evocative of Christmases past.

I did manage to get to the Church Christmas Bazaar which went very well and raised over £3,300 for church funds. Very many thanks to Deborah Hoare and her family and friends who worked so hard to set this up this year. New to the village, they volunteered to do this, bringing some new ideas and including more activities for the youngest members of the community. Thank you to the Father Christmas and the elves – love the ears! They were well supported by the regular members of the congregation and village who always help at the Bazaar. It was a marvellous effort all round! Thank you to everyone who helped, or who donated goods for sale.

I hope some of you will have been able to attend at least one of the Christmas services this year. We have not been able to put on the usual outdoor Tewin Nativity, but Susannah arranged for a nativity play to be performed by children at the morning service on Sunday 22nd December. We will have had our usual candlelit Carol Service and Midnight Mass services, the Crib Service on Christmas Eve and an all Age Holy Communion on Christmas morning. I will write about this in next month's magazine.

You should receive the magazine in time for you to hear the bell ringers ring out the old and ring in the new year on New Year's Eve. Did you know they have a race round the clock tower to try to get back before the clock finishes chiming at 12 midnight?

In January, we shall celebrate Epiphany when Christ was visited by the Magi, the first gentiles to see Baby Jesus.

Christmas is the time when we often remember family and friends who are no longer with us. If you need support at this time of year, have lost loved ones recently, or are in poor health or spirits, please remember the Welwyn team of clergy are always there for you.

Contact : The Rev'd Susannah Underwood
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All good wishes for 2025

Linda Gilley, Churchwarden
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Messy Church

Messy Church meets at St Peter's Church from 3-4.30pm on the third Sunday of each month (except August and December). It is 'church but not as you know it' and is aimed at children and families, though all ages are welcome. There is food, fun activities and a short celebration. The results of their handiwork can be seen displayed in the church.

The next meeting is on Sunday 19th January 2025.
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Well, as I write this in mid-December, we haven't played in fog or snow yet, as we had in previous years, and even though bad weather has been with us in the autumn and early winter, most Tennis Club Members are keen enough and sufficiently (fool) hardy to keep going in all but the worst weather.

The Tiger Turf court surface plays better when wet and is less prone to icing up than the Tarmac we had previously which means most of us just tough it out for our love of the game. And while I mean no offence to the bowls club, we still have a large number of players in their sixties, seventies and even eighties who might have been expected to look to a sport less physically challenging – like, perhaps, bowls.

It's lovely that our village has such a lot to offer those who like combining exercise with a strong social atmosphere, not just the bowls and tennis, but a hugely successful cricket club, table tennis, badminton, walking groups and much more.

At the tennis club we try our best to encourage younger members to join in, not just children and teenagers but also those who are juggling work with family. Our Saturday morning drop-in sessions are purposely designed for those who cannot commit to something more regular, so please do think about giving it a go. As always, you can find contact details on tewintennisclub.org.

Now! Please put the AGM date in your diary now – Friday March 14. There's much to talk about!

A happy new year to you all, members and non-members alike.

Peter Burgess

Next St Peter's Churchyard Work Party Sat 18th January at 9am

Please call or text Gerry Murphy on 07793 714355 if you can help.

Tewin Arts, Crafts & Gifts Sale

A huge thank you to all the stallholders and the public who battled Storm Darragh to come to the Memorial Hall and make our December Sale a great success.

The Charity Cake Stall made an amazing £470 for Welwyn Care Homes, so, thank you for eating cake and drinking tea. Something that Tewin residents are experts at.

We look forward to seeing you at our next Sale in the Summer when hopefully, the weather will be kinder to us.

St Peter's Church – New Year Resolutions

This edition of the Tewin Magazine heralds the arrival of a New Year – 2025

I wonder how many of your new year resolutions involve increases in your giving to charities, more specifically to St Peter's Church, your local village church.

We had a deficit in 2023 and although in 2024, with the benefit of fees from more weddings and, regrettably, funerals, we will have fared much better, we are facing some very significant maintenance costs.

The principal amongst these is tackling the damp in the North wall of the church. This is going to involve not only work on the wall itself but also recontouring the ground immediately beside it to avoid continuing damage.

We are seeking grants where we can but a substantial cost will still fall on the church.

If you already support the church financially, can you help us further by increasing your giving; or if you don't regularly support us, can you make a donation towards the costs?

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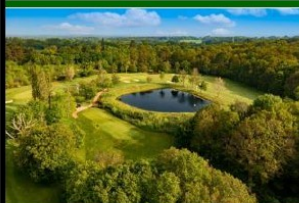
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Rain

It rained and rained and rained
The average fall was well maintained
And when the tracks were simple bogs
It started raining cats and dogs

After a drought of half an hour
We had a most refreshing shower
And then most curious thing of all
A gentle rain began to fall

Next day but one was fairly dry
Save for one deluge from the sky
Which wetted the party to the skin
And then at last the rain set in

Anonymous

Royal British Legion

2024 Poppy Day Collections Report

Another outstanding result. This year Tewin raised £2,213 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Tewin Stores, the Rose & Crown, the Plume of Feathers, the Country Bumpkin, the White Horse, Tewinbury Farm Hotel, Tewin Cowper School, the Bowls Club and St Peter's Church all hosted collections. Donations for wreaths to be laid on Remembrance Sunday were received from Tewin Rainbows, the Friends of Tewin, the Parish Council, and the Memorial Hall.

Without a full complement of house to house collectors this year, we were unable to carry out collections on School Lane, Churchfield Road, Upper Green, Orchard Road, Firs Walk and Cowpers Way. Thank you to everybody who made a donation and a special thank you to all the house to house collectors.

Well done.

Keith St Pier

Poppy Appeal Organiser

Supported by The Tewin Memorial Hall Committee

First
meeting
for 2025
19th Jan

Messy Church

For
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St Peter's Church Tewin
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3rd Sunday of the month

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Your paragraph text

Tewin Stores and Cafe

Sadly, the Christmas season has almost gone and 2025 beckons. How does time go so quickly? However, we have much to look forward to in the New Year.

I am happy to say the shop has survived another year despite costs going up everywhere; and that is thanks to YOU our customers.

You bought our Christmas hampers, won prizes on our Christmas raffle, attended the beer week; and came to the Saturday lunches, as well as other events we have held during the year. Thank You.

Now we are approaching 2025; and I wonder if your New Year Resolutions include volunteering at the shop. We do need more people, especially those who will come at short notice to fill unexpected gaps in the schedule. From time to time our regular helpers get poorly, manage to get an appointment, go on holiday or suddenly have to help their own families. We have a system when something like this happens and we put out an SOS to our back-up volunteers to help out. Sometimes it's only for two hours. So could you be one of them? You would never be on your own and prior training would be given. Please ask Bev for more details if you might be interested. To misquote a phrase:

"YOUR SHOP NEEDS YOU!"

The Festive lunch in December was a great success and grateful thanks go to Jacque, Brenda and the many helpers in not only providing a wonderful meal but making some money for the shop too.

The next Saturday lunch is January 25th which is Fish Pie. Please attend any time from 12.15 until 1.30; unfortunately, the price has gone up to £6.50p but the puddings stay the same at £3.00. We shall hope to see you there. No need to book but if you are coming for the first time it would be nice to know.

Please don't forget: the shop will be CLOSED on 1st January

The 100 Club winners for December were:

1st Prize: John Cowley £43.00

2nd Prize: Paula Collins £21.50

3rd Prize: Bryan Evans £12.90

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Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4pm

Saturday 8.30am - 12 Noon

Sunday 9.00am - 12 Noon

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NEXT FREE DROP-IN SESSIONS

9th January

23rd January

6th February

20th February

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Interested?

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Discover Vintage And Refurbished Furniture At Tewin Hill Farm's New Showroom

I'm thrilled to announce the opening of my new showroom at Tewin Hill Farm, where I've created a space for people to find beautiful, unique, vintage, antique and refinished furniture.

Too often, we overlook the beauty in older, worn pieces that can be revived with care. In my showroom, I've brought together an eclectic collection of refinished and restored furniture that's not just stylish but environmentally conscious as well. By recycling and reusing old furniture, we can help reduce waste and contribute to a more sustainable future.

My showroom is also home to my workshop, where I bring these pieces back to life. Whether it's a vintage sideboard having a make-over or a mid-century piece that's being lovingly restored, each item offers something that mass-produced furniture simply can't—history, character and quality. Here I also offer my customers a bespoke refurnishing service where I can revive a piece for them.

It's been an exciting journey to launch this small business, where I can give people the opportunity to find distinctive and special pieces that can transform their homes. On the flip side, this showroom provides a solution for people looking to part with furniture they no longer need, finding these pieces a new home where they'll be cherished and used for years to come.

I also offer a home clearance, downsizing and decluttering service. I help anyone who needs to reduce their belongings, as well as small businesses, charities, schools, and non-profit organisations. I spend a lot of my time working with the elderly and their families, supporting them with relocating and clearing the family home. My aim is to make the process easier by providing practical guidance and taking care of the details, saving time and effort. I work at a pace that suits my customers, to make sure the experience is as smooth and stress free as possible.

I hope you'll stop by to visit me at Tewin Hill Farm. I am open Monday to Friday 10am to 3.30pm and evenings and weekends by appointment. I do pop out to visit my clients, so please call ahead.

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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 9th & 23rd	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
Thurs 9th & 23rd	Memorial Hall	2-3.30pm	Technology Advice
Sat 11th	St Mary's, Welwyn	12 noon	Lunchtime Recital
Sun 19th	St Peter's, Tewin	3-4.30pm	Messy Church
Mon 20th	Memorial Hall	7 for 7.45pm	Screen on the Green 'The Holdovers'
Sat 25th	Tewin Stores	12.15pm-1.30pm	Lunch 'Fish Pie'

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