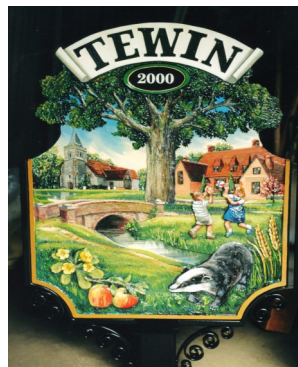




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Classic Car Show Tea Tent

A Well Earned Break from Harvesting



Classic Cars at the Show



Not a Lunar Landing but a visit to see the Bees!



Welcome to the September 2026 edition of the Tewin Magazine. Our cover photo was taken by Fran Styles and photos on page 2 by Byron Sinfield, Dave Hatt and anon.

I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine. Please send to tewinmagazine@gmail.com.

Events this month:

Lunch at Tewin Stores is BBQ Chicken on 19th (p31).

Screen on the Green is back and showing '*The Choral*' on 21st (p10), the Technology Advice Sessions are on 3rd and 17th (p30) and Messy Church is on 20th (p8).

Love to sing? The Welwyn Garden Chorus are holding an open rehearsal on 28th (p24).

The Harvest Festival at St Peter's is on the 27th (21).

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

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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



CONDOLENCES

The Parish Council expressed their condolences to the Hill family at the sudden death of Councillor Adrian Hill, Vice Chairman of the Parish Council. He was highly respected and much appreciated for his considerable contributions to the Council, as well as for his valuable service to the wider community. Members acknowledged his commitment and the positive impact he has made, and noted that he would be greatly missed.

LANDLINE PHONE PROBLEMS

The following is correct to the best of our knowledge.

Following a representation to our MP, Chris Hinchliff, we understand that Openreach is replacing 800 metres of stolen copper cable. If the new broadband fibre optic cable is damaged during a cable theft, then it is much easier to repair and restore service.

As Openreach does not have a public interface all issues must be reported by the householder to their provider. Once repaired, landlines should work again, although the main cable contains many individual wires, all of which need re-connecting. Some lines may therefore be connected incorrectly and individual faults may need to be reported again through your service provider.

In the longer term, traditional landlines are being phased out and replaced by digital phone services delivered over broadband and all copper cables removed. Openreach aims to move broadband-and-phone customers to the new system by 2027. Customers will normally be notified when their service is due to change. Normally, you cannot instigate it, unless you are changing service provider or renewing your contract.

Customers with landlines but no broadband who cannot be moved to a digital service by 2027 may temporarily use PDPL (Pre Digital Phone Line). This will continue to use copper but will be interfaced into the new digital systems everyone else is using. The copper cables are expected to be phased out by 2030.

Important: Some telecare/alarm systems may not work correctly with digital phone services. If you use such equipment, you should check its compatibility before your phone service is changed.

NB: For the full article please see the Tewin Village website

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING on Monday 7th September 2026
starting at 7.45pm at Tewin Memorial Hall.

PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

Website: 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 & on the 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.

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Notes from an Apiary

What an extraordinary summer. The hot dry weather continues, with any precipitation in forecasts only. July fodder for bees was sparse as most plant species seem to have dried up before giving a decent summer nectar flow. In previous years we have harvested at the end of August, a bit on the late side but not unusual. This year we harvested in the first week of August, along with most beekeepers in the area. So we are almost a month early.

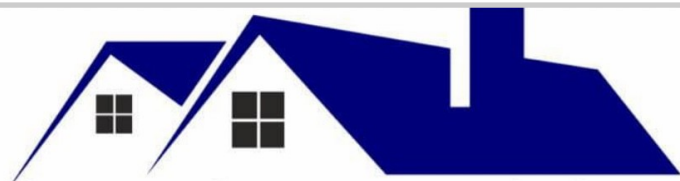
Interestingly, some beekeepers, over in Knebworth direction, have seen a continued nectar flow in August. After the supers have had honey extracted, they still have honey in them. These are known as “wet supers”. They are put back on the hive to allow the bees to recover the honey for themselves. It has been reported that these supers are filling with new honey. It is thought that the nectar is coming from *Phacelia tanacetifolia*, a “green manure” plant. I have not seen any around Tewin but there is a big field of it just west of Burnham Green.

At this time of year without a nectar flow supporting the bees it is essential to prevent starvation. Beekeepers are now feeding a strong sugar solution to support and encourage the colonies to continue to thrive and build strength for the winter. Our last inspection was just before we started to feed. The colonies looked in good shape and with feeding should all progress to a strength that will allow them to get through winter.

Winter preparations have now started. Our next decision is treatment of the colonies to prevent varroa build up. There are several veterinary pharmaceutical options available. Traditionally we have used a treatment based on thymol, a naturally occurring substance. I know some beekeepers that are using alternative treatments that have several practical advantages over the treatment I use. Do I go with tried and tested or a new product? I would like to try the very old method of using pure thymol crystals. However, it's not a “licensed” product, so there be dragons. Research is needed and I can only use licensed products. Luckily, I have a couple of weeks to evaluate and decide as it is simply too hot to apply the treatments now.

Interestingly, the worker bees that are hatching now may look like worker bees hatched in spring, but they are subtly different. The bees in spring and summer are short lived but bees hatching now need to go right through winter, a much longer life span and indeed some have said they represent a fourth cast in the colony. They have specialist internal bodies that store vitellogenin, a remarkable protein supporting the bees in all sorts of ways. One of the most remarkable adaptations in the insect world.

Phil



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Friends of Tewin



Even though I have twisted Jackie's arm again to allow me an extra day's grace for entry for the September edition – the October edition seems a long way off - I really don't think I can write this article just after the show has closed so, I am putting pen to paper in advance in the hope that I'm not being too optimistic and don't have to change too

much after the event!!

It is lovely to be able to say a very big thank you, through the Magazine, to everyone who, hopefully, joined us at the **Tewin Classic Car and Craft Show on 16th August** and, if it all went well, I hope you all enjoyed yourselves!!

At the moment, the weather is very warm and certainly too hot for a full day of sun on Upper Green but I believe the forecast is showing a cooler day so, fingers crossed, we can enjoy the day without getting sun stroke and it will also ease the considerable concern to us all regarding the fire risk.

I know that we already have a full quota of Classic Cars booked in, together with 40 Craft Stalls, so I am hoping to be able to say that we were blessed with a lovely day and that hundreds and hundreds of Tewin villagers, and visitors from afar, enjoyed the event without any issues.

We are delighted to have with us again Ben's very lovely new Tewin Country Wedding Bar, keeping us hydrated and the Chicken Strip, together with a new outlet, Smokeshed Food Truck, keeping us fed. Frank's Ice Cream vans will be kept busy if the weather stays kind to us.

We mustn't forget that we owe a big thank you to our local sponsors, Kevin of Wings of Welwyn – he must have enjoyed himself last year as he is back with us again with a Big Blue shiny 'truck' this year and we are delighted to welcome, for the first time, ALLWOOD Automobiles who had a lovely display of cars on show. Our regular Monday Mojos Band back with us again too so please go and say hello to them all.

There are a host of people to thank – all of you who volunteer to be part of our team on the day to make sure the show is another Tewin Village success: the marshals helping in the car parks and on Upper Green itself, the volunteers in the Information Tent, the Tea Tent and the Pavilion, not forgetting our fantastic team of Tewin bakers who provide us with the wonderful array of cakes that are always so popular on the day.

Our final big thank you must go to the Loughrey family again, for allowing us to use their field for the public car park. They are wonderful supporters of the Car Show. It just goes to show it really is a huge village effort!

In the October edition, we will tell you how much money was raised and in the Autumn, we will start contacting Tewin groups to invite them to apply for a donation.

Time to relax now!!

Shirley & the Friends of Tewin Committee

PS: My contribution Sunday evening - We are all absolutely delighted with the way the show went. We were absolutely full. The weather certainly helped with a cooler day and a big Thank You to everyone for your support.

Screen On The Green

It's September already which means the start of a new season of our village film club with a varied selection of films old and new.

We kick off on **Monday 21st September** with *“The Choral (2025)”*, a British comedy-drama starring Ralph Fiennes. It was directed by Nicholas Hytner with screenplay by Alan Bennett.

Set in Yorkshire during World War I, *The Choral* follows a local singing society depleted of its male members due to wartime enlistment. Determined to keep their annual performance alive, the committee recruits a disparate group of local teenagers. They hire the demanding, uncompromising Dr. Henry Guthrie as their new choirmaster, despite suspicions regarding his past in Germany. Together, the community finds solace and unity through music amidst the lingering shadow of impending conscription.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Here's the programme for the rest of the year so put these dates in the calendar now.

19 th October	<i>My Favourite Cake (2024)</i>
16 th November	<i>The Apartment (1960)</i>
14 th December	<i>Chocolat (2000)</i>

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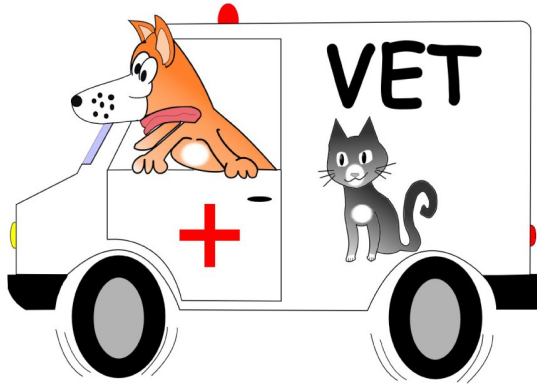
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Herbert Laming

Excerpts from House of Lords Tributes 22 July

"The death of Lord Herbert Laming marks the passing of one of the most influential figures in the history of child protection in Britain. Over a career spanning more than half a century, he transformed the way public services safeguard vulnerable children, leaving a legacy that continues to shape social work, healthcare, policing and education across the United Kingdom.

His lifetime of public service has left an indelible mark on the whole fabric of British social work, public management and the very conscience of our nation. Herbert's journey into the public sphere began with a deeply practical grounding, dedicating 20 years to Hertfordshire County Council and ultimately serving as director of social services, before rising to become Chief Inspector of the Social Services Inspectorate from 1991 to 1998.

However, it was his subsequent work on the national stage that elevated him into the public consciousness as a fearless seeker of accountability. Following the tragic death of eight year-old Victoria Climbié, the Government turned to Lord Laming to chair the landmark inquiry, in which he diagnosed a yawning gap between policy aspiration and front-line delivery. He famously observed that protecting a child 'needed nothing more than a manager doing their job by asking pertinent questions'.

Lord Privy Seal.

"When I was characteristically verbose, I got a polite note asking me for a chat. I went to his room in the Lords and sat down. After receiving a very kind review of what I had said, he even more kindly suggested that I need not have said it so much and for so long. I got a taste of how he approached his professional and parliamentary life: supportive, kind and, when necessary, firm. Being a social worker is one of the hardest professions, where press reporting frequently focuses on the sad occasions when things go wrong, rather than on the vastly higher number of incidents when lives are made better. When things did go wrong tragically, it was Herbert who was repeatedly called on to bring teams together, not to apportion blame but to find out why things went wrong and what would be needed to prevent them happening again. Legislation, regulation and policy resulted from his work, creating a lasting legacy. 'Sadly, sometimes even our imaginations fail to help us understand the dependency of young children or the vulnerability of adolescents, regardless of their displays of bravado ... children and young people need security, stability, love and encouragement.' "

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The Early Days of the Classic Car Show

Last month we had the sad news of the death of Lord Herbert Laming and I wondered if you would like to hear about the time he helped the Friends of Tewin.

In the early years of F of T there was no useable children's playground on the Upper Green as the existing one had deteriorated over the years. So, the Parish Council and F of T worked together to gain a grant for a completely new playground. One of the conditions of the grant was that we had to put aside a large sum for an opening ceremony. We in F of T racked our brains on how to spend this large amount of money to just cut a ribbon! At last, we came up with the idea of a Family Day which would be free to all families in the village. So, anything that children could enjoy on the field was booked. But it's a big field and then one of the members suggested we asked all the local classic car owners in the village with their friends to display their vehicles to help fill the space. About 30 responded. Now we could ask Lord Laming to officially open our new playground and who better after all his work through children's social services. The day was a great success for all and was the beginning of the Classic Car show that we have today.

Linda Crawford

PETITION TO INTRODUCE A 20MPH SPEED LIMIT THROUGHOUT TEWIN VILLAGE - HAVE YOUR SAY

Living in Tewin Village has its charm, but it also comes with significant challenges to road safety. The streets throughout the village, and especially the three major entry points of Churchfield Road, Hertford Road and Upper Green Road, are narrow and winding, adorned with hedges, constrictions and restricted lines of sight with no footpaths. Just stepping outside in Churchfield Road to open up the Church of a morning has become a hazardous endeavour and cycling to work or the gym feels like taking a risk with every journey. Cars are much larger now, faster and insulated from their surrounding environment.

The lack of a safe speed limit poses a serious risk to everyone—pedestrians, cyclists, horse-riders, motorists and children alike. I have seen people wheeling pushchairs along Churchfield Road back to the farm entrance! We have also experienced deaths on the Mimram Bridge at Tewin Lodge and countless accidents immediately outside our cottage, some cars being written off entirely. Tewin Village deserves a safer environment where its residents can walk freely, cycle without fear, and coexist harmoniously with the nature that surrounds us.

Implementing a 20 MPH speed limit throughout the village is a pragmatic and urgently needed solution. Lowering the speed would significantly reduce the chances of accidents, making the roads safer for everyone. In villages similar to ours, studies have shown that reducing the speed limit not only decreases accident rates but also enhances the quality of life by reducing noise pollution and allowing residents to feel more secure in their own community.

Evidence from numerous safety organizations indicates that lower speed limits dramatically cut down on road traffic accidents. For instance, the UK Department for Transport has consistently found that decreasing the speed of vehicles is one of the most effective ways to improve road safety.

This call for a speed limit is not merely a precaution, but a necessity for preserving life and fostering a better living experience. Let us come together to create a safer, quieter, and more enjoyable Tewin Village for everyone.

Please sign this petition to urge the local authorities to introduce a 20 MPH speed limit throughout Tewin Village. Your support could be the catalyst for change that protects lives and enhances our community's well-being. Together, we can make a difference.

PLEASE SIGN THE PETITION TODAY BY GOING TO

www.change.org/tewin20mph

AUTHOR: JOHN HOLDING

Team Vicar's Letter

As the golden days of summer begin to fade, our fields tell a story of a remarkable season. This year, we have lived through an extraordinarily hot summer. While the endless sunshine brought joy to many holidaymakers, it also brought sharp reminders of our dependence on the natural world.

For our local farming community, this season has required immense resilience and hard work. Our farmers have faced challenging conditions as they have tended the land and cared for their livestock. I have the good fortune of being able to watch the combine harvester at work with the view from my back garden over the church field, but as I do so I am reminded of the profound connection between people and God's creation.

September is the month in which we celebrate Harvest festival, although I am aware that the long dry spell meant much of the harvest was brought in unseasonably early this year, so maybe our celebrations come a little late!

Harvest is a time to give thanks for those who labour hard to provide us with food, but also invites us to pause and reflect on our role as stewards of this earth we have been entrusted with. The changing climate challenges us to think deeply about how we treat our planet. Caring for God's creation is a fundamental part of the Christian faith. Every scorched field and every harvested crop asks us to consider how we can live more sustainably, protecting the delicate balance of nature for the generations that follow.

This year our church will be supporting the Christian Aid Harvest appeal which is partnering with farmers in South Sudan who have lost crops and livestock to both floods and drought, due to climate change. We will also be encouraging the donations of tinned and canned food for Stevenage Foodshed, to help local people who are also in need of a bit of support.

As we gather for our upcoming Harvest Festival we give thanks for the food on our tables, the work of our farmers, and for the beauty of the world around us. But let us also renew our commitment to cherish and safeguard this earth that supports us all.

Harvest festival will be on Sunday 27th September 9.30am. You would be most welcome to join us.

Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES							
DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 ST READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL
SEPT 6th	14TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	SUSAN MARSH	EZEKIEL 33: 7-11	ROMANS 13: 8-end	MATTHEW 18: 15-20
13th	15TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	HOLY COMMUNION	9.30am	TBC	GENESIS 50: 15-21	ROMANS 14: 1-12	MATTHEW 18: 21-35
20th	16TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	MORNING PRAYER	9.30am	COLIN HULL	JONAH 3:10-end of 4	PHILIPPIANS 1: 21-end	MATTHEW 20: 1-16
		MESSY CHURCH	3pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD & SULU PIKE			
27th	HARVEST FESTIVAL	HOLY COMMUNION WITH BAPTISM	9.30am	NICKY JACKSON	EZEKIEL 18: 1-4 & 25-end	PHILIPPIANS 2: 1-13	MATTHEW 21: 23-32

BAPTISM

9th August

Donnie Thompson

23rd August

Amalia Ashman & Ray Karsten

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1st August

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7th August

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20th	MARY GREGG	ROZ HOLDEN	MARY GREGG	SUE WHITBOURN	TBC
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FUNERAL

3rd August Lord Herbert Laming
17th August Ian Charman

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

St Peter's News

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

The long, hot summer of 2026 will be remembered for a long time. There are those amongst us who remember the long, hot summer of 1976, but do you remember how that summer ended? On August bank holiday Saturday torrential rain started early and continued all day causing flash floods and mayhem. I wonder how we will fare this year?

Messy Church are most grateful to Tewin Cowper School for allowing us the use of their open air swimming pool for the last session of the summer term and what a mighty, messy splash time was had by all on a hot Sunday in July. Messy Church starts again on Sunday 20th September at 3pm. This a great time to introduce young children to our Christian faith with crafts, music and a short message.

For the first time this year, our new curate, Rev Sulu, who has three children of her own, organised a playground Pop-in at a number of local playgrounds during July and August. Whether you are already part of our church family or have never stepped through the church doors, everyone was welcome. There was no agenda - just time for the children to play and the adults to chat and get to know each other.

On a hot, sunny Saturday morning a mixed group of 35 intrepid pilgrims started out from Datchworth All Saints to make a poetry pilgrimage to St Peter's Tewin. Our theme this year was 'Thresholds' and we became acquainted with poems on birth, death, refugees, doors and the very funny anniversary poem written by Wendy Cope on the 10th anniversary of the ordination of the first women priests. We stopped for refreshments along the way and the walk passed very quickly in the company of the diverse mix of pilgrims from the various churches in our team.

Our summer Evensongs have continued during July/August on the theme of The Sacraments and at St Peter's we were instructed on the institution of marriage. We were reminded that interestingly throughout Jesus' ministry, he made no comments on marriage even when quizzed by the Jewish authorities.

September is usually the time to turn our thoughts to the Harvest. As a result of the prolonged spell of dry weather, this year the harvest has come and gone. However, our Harvest festival thanksgiving will be on Sunday 27th September at 9.30am, led by Nicky Jackson with a Messy Church Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 20th September. Please bring tinned or dry goods for the Foodshed at Stevenage or make a donation to the Christian Aid Harvest appeal which is partnering with farmers in South Sudan who have lost crops and livestock to both floods and drought, due to climate change.

At this time of year, we also think of all the children and young people moving on to the next phase of their education from going to nursery for the first time all the way through to spreading their wings and leaving home to go to university and we wish them and their parents and teachers a great new school year.

Looking further ahead, we are still making progress with the provision of a church room attached to St Peter's so watch this space.

If you or your loved ones need support at this time, please remember the Welwyn team are there for you.

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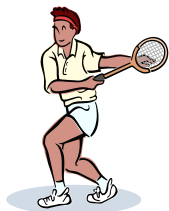
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Tewin Tennis Club

Results have been coming in thick and fast as the various summer competitions draw to a close.

The club's mixed doubles tournament was held on 19 July. 12 couples took part in ideal weather for tennis (well, it was only in the low 20s). After 4 hours of scintillating tennis and a delightful lunch, Steve Adamthwaite and Angela Loveys were the well-deserved victors.

In the Datchworth summer league, both Tewin 1 and Tewin 2 teams are celebrating, having finished the season with promotion into their respective next divisions for summer 2027.

The finals of the club's ABC competition took place on 7 August, followed by the summer social, which was much enjoyed by all. Team A played Team C for the trophy, and a very exciting match it was too, with Team C (Ann Connolly and Peter Yanev) staging a magnificent comeback, only to lose 8-10 in a gripping final. Congratulations to the victors, Jane Raine & Wayne Rolfe, and to the rest of Team A.

The annual men's doubles and ladies' doubles tournaments take place on Sunday 23 August, so no results to report at the time of writing.

In other news, the junior summer camp in July was well attended, with coach Josh coaching 9, 10 and 10 juniors over the 3 days. Summer friendlies between Tewin and Datchworth are underway and, next on the horizon, Tewin will be entering the Herts Men's Winter Seniors Doubles League for the over 60s. The club will also be entering the Hertfordshire "Hot Rackets" men's competition next summer.

Finally, please note that the price for non-members to book a court for 1 hour will be going up to £7.50 from 1 September. This is the first price rise for many years, and is still an extremely competitive rate.

Lis Reay

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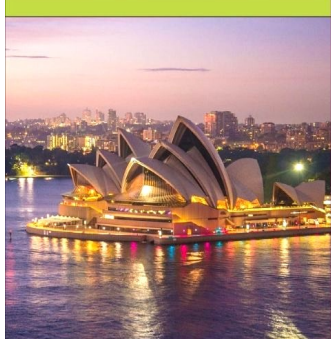
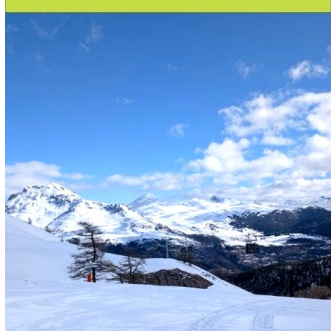
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If you need your items collected now, please contact Deirdre Hatt on 07759 506750.

If you can bring your items to the Hall, please ring Anne Hall on 01438 718505 or Mike Purser on 07918 021313 to make the arrangements.

Donations such as clothing, shoes, bric-a-brac, bedding/linens, books, jigsaws, toys, unwanted gifts, small household and electrical items are always welcomed.

We cannot accept large items because they very rarely sell and it costs money to have them taken away. So, if your item will not fit into an average estate car, we cannot accept it. Please contact us if you're unsure what we can accept.

Here is a list of the type of item that we can't sell:

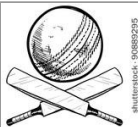
Large furniture, laptop monitors, bulky televisions, corded telephones, 3-piece suites, armchairs, wardrobes, children's car seats, crash helmets, duvets, gas/electrical appliances such as cookers, freezers or refrigerators.

Please note, for everyone's safety, we cannot accept broken items.

A team of residents have kindly agreed to collect items during the week leading up to the sale. Their contact details will be printed in the October edition and will also be shown on the yellow Jumble Sale flyer, which will be delivered to every house in the next couple of weeks. Spare copies will be available in Tewin Stores.

Thank you in advance for your contributions.

All profits go towards the upkeep of Tewin Memorial Hall.



Tewin Cricket Club

I am extremely grateful that Luke Wilde, Tewin Cricket Club 1st team and club captain could spare the time for a little chat. Luke (AKA The Vicar) is a major driving force at the club both on and off the field and we are so lucky he chose to call Tewin Cricket Club home.

When did you fall in love with cricket and when did you realise you had a talent for it?

I first learned to play cricket in the back garden with one of my best mates, Taylor Weeks. Ironically, he now plays for Tewin too, which means we've been playing cricket together in one form or another since we were five years old.

I probably realised I had a bit of talent around the age of 12 or 13 when I attended my first county trials and went on to play at area level. But it wasn't until I got to university that I really started to believe I could be genuinely good at the game.

Now, as I've become a more experienced player, what I appreciate most about cricket isn't just the competition, it's the people. The social side of the game, the sense of community, and the friendships it creates are what keep my passion for cricket as strong as ever.

Why Tewin Cricket Club?

I played my first game for Tewin in 2014, a Sunday fixture against Graveley, and that was the moment I was hooked. It was an absolute thriller where we won by just 12 runs and I was lucky enough to take the winning catch on the boundary off Paul Shankster.

As beautiful as Tewin is as a place to play cricket, with its well-kept pavilion, square and outfield, it was the people who really made the difference. From that very first game, I felt an immediate sense of belonging. One moment that has always stayed with me was a conversation with the late Ted Tyler. I had never spoken to Ted before that day, but in the space of a few minutes he made me feel so welcome and so comfortable that Tewin already felt a little like home.

There was also a man who grew up on Godfries Close called Will Pickworth. Little did the village know that he would become something of a Tewin cricket super-agent, bringing people together at Upper Green. Through Will's network (and a bit of mine) we gradually assembled many of our favourite people and added to what was already a thriving club.

Is it fair to say, Tewin Cricket Club plays a big part in the whole of your family's lives now?

My sister Charlotte was a regular Saturday player, consistently topping the

second team bowling averages and becoming only the second woman ever to play for Tewin. My dad has been the first team scorer for the past 10 years, but in reality he's much more than that, he's often jokingly referred to as the "first team manager", looking after everyone and making sure the side is ready to go each week. My mum has also become heavily involved, supporting the fundraising team as well as taking on the role of safeguarding officer for the club.

It's become a real family affair at weekends.

What are the most challenging and rewarding aspects to being a community focused cricket club?

Running a small cricket club is incredibly challenging, but I don't think we'd dedicate so much time and effort to it if it wasn't ultimately so rewarding.

Our biggest challenges are attracting and retaining players, ensuring availability each week, and maintaining the club's financial stability and day-to-day operations. As a smaller, traditionally less well-known club, most new players join through existing members and word of mouth, rather than the wider reach enjoyed by larger clubs.

7 promotions in 8 seasons and currently top of the league, you must be extremely proud?

We are obviously extremely proud of all we have achieved as a team over the last almost decade. It does not necessarily come as a surprise as there are countless hours of dedication that are poured into making sure we are ready to perform on a Saturday. Playing together for so long now, means that we know exactly how to work as one team and being best friends is a massive help to that as well.

How much of an influence do the homegrown Tewin players have on the field?

Homegrown players are the lifeblood of our club and are fundamental to its success. They shape the culture, uphold our values, and embody what Tewin Cricket Club means to its members.

As someone who wasn't born and raised in Tewin, I can say first-hand how welcoming the club is. It has made me feel like Tewin is home, and I hope that one day I'll be able to make that true in every sense of the word.

Next month - **"The end of season report cards"**!

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The shop is very quiet now, are all of you on holiday? Don't forget we need you to help keep the Shop afloat. It's such a valuable asset to the community as well as a social hub for the village.

Also, is there any kind soul who would be willing to clean the Shop occasionally. The regular volunteers do what they can when they are there but someone coming in once a month would be a bonus. Please see Bev, our manager, for more information.

September is the time we normally have a BBQ for the shop lunch, so we are doing BBQ chicken with salad and oven chips on Saturday 19th. Still only £6.50, with pudding and drinks extra. Please, if you have dietary problems leave a note for me, Linda, at the Shop with your telephone number and I will chat with you.

The 100 club winners for August were:

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2 nd Prize	Lis Tyers	£23.75
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Wed	Burnham Green	12-12.30pm	Mobile Fish Van
Wed	Memorial Hall	7.30-9pm	Tewin Ukulele 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 3rd & 17th	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
Thurs 3rd & 17th	Memorial Hall	2-3.30pm	Technology Advice Session
Sat 19th	Tewin Stores	12.15-1.30	Lunch 'BBQ Chicken'
Sun 20th	St Peter's Church	3-4.30pm	Messy Church
Mon 21st	Memorial Hall	7pm for 7.45	Screen on the Green 'The Choral'

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