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**Happy Easter** 

#### **Editorial Note**

Welcome to our April 2019 edition of the Tewin Magazine and a Happy Easter to all our readers.

Events this month are:

The Annual meeting of the Parish Council on the 1st (p5), the Bowls Club Quiz on the 5th (p9), the Community Bus trip to Ayletts Garden Centre on the 6th (p26), THACS Spring Show on 6th (p31), the Easter Workshop and Egg Hunt on the 20th (p18) and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on the 25th (p18).

The Tewin Stores' Saturday Lunch for April will be 'Jacket Potatoes' on the 27th (p25) and The Screen on the Green is showing 'Closely Watched Trains' on the 15th (p14).

We are in danger of losing our door-to-door selling of Remembrance Day Poppies and ordering of wreaths for village organisations to place on the War Memorial at St Peter's Church. Please see below for further details.

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

#### **URGENT APPEAL - Poppies**

As Linda, who was the Poppy Appeal organiser for the village, has moved out of the area, this means that we urgently need a replacement soon – otherwise there will be no-one to order wreaths or poppies for the village this year.

It can be done by a couple, a group, a club etc. and involves ordering wreaths/poppies, labelling up collecting tins, preparing poppy boxes, delivering and collecting them, counting and banking donations and some admin/report tasks.

The village has kindly raised over £2,000 in past years and it would be a pity if poppies were no longer available in the village.

If you could help, please contact Linda on

tewin.poppyappeal@gmail.com or 07434 436 688 and she will be happy to give you further details.

#### **Church Spring Cleaning**

Spring has sprung and it's time to give our church a thorough cleaning. Many hands make light work and extra help is needed for this task. Please put your name on the form at the back of the Church or contact **Pete Johnson on 01707 332579** (evenings) to let her know what help you can give and when............

#### Friday 17th May 6.30pm onwards

Able bodied volunteers needed to clean beams and windows, move furniture, kneelers, etc.

#### Saturday 18th May from 8.30am

Volunteers needed to help scrub floors and polish woodwork

Scrubbing 8:45am; Polishing 10.30am; Restoring order

12.30pm

#### **Herts LitFest 2019**

Hertfordshire Libraries is once again running its annual Literary Festival. We start on Monday 8th April with the children's events, the adult events then follow at the end of April and into May. We have something for everyone so have a look, book your tickets and enjoy.

#### Lights, Camera LEGO

Tuesday 16th April, 2.30-4pm

Welwyn Garden City Library

Using stop motion animation on a tablet, make your very own Lego movie!

Suitable for ages 5 - 11 (children must be accompanied by an adult) Tickets £2.00 per child - only available from the library.

Further information of forthcoming events from any library or at https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/books-and-reading/libraries-newsletter/articles/hertslitfest19.aspx?utm-medium=email&utm-source=govdelivery

#### **Tewin Parish Council**



#### Welwyn Hatfield Panshanger Aerodrome Development

6/2018/0873/OUTLINE - Land to North East of Panshanger, WGC - Outline application for a residential led development of 650 residential units, a two form entry primary school, provision of 6 gypsy and traveller pitches, a new local centre (comprising retail and community uses), new vehicular access from Herns Lane, car

parking, associated infrastructure and landscaping works with all matters except access reserved - *Approved by Welwyn Hatfield Council Development Management Committee on 28th February 2019.* 

#### Footpath & Drainage Works

The footpath works on Upper Green Road are now complete. The CCTV of the leaking gulley outside 106 Orchard Road showed there is a collapse in the pipe and a works order has been raised for its repair which Highways advised will probably be completed within the 2019/20 financial year.

#### Margaret and Richard Knight Memorial Tree

A Liquidamber Lane-Roberts tree has been planted on the grass bank south of the Rose & Crown in memory of Margaret & Richard Knight.

#### **Lower Green**

Netherdown Herts Ltd will be arranging the repair and seeding of the edge of Lower Green and also the hole in the road outside the site.

#### Footpath 17 alongside the Bowls Club

The Parish Council agreed to accept Kirkham Contracting's quote to resurface FP17 and this has now been completed.

#### PLEASE USE OUR POST OFFICES

Just a gentle reminder that your local post offices are located at Tewin Stores and Burnham Green Village Hall and they offer a wide range of services: sell stamps, send parcels, pay bills, pay in & withdraw cash from most banks, road tax, phone top ups and purchase your Euros for your holiday. Please support this service.

See page 13 for opening times.

#### PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

The next meeting is the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 1st April 2019, at 7.45pm at Tewin Memorial Hall in the Kimberley Room.

**Agenda**: Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion at the meeting. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores three 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 www.tewinvillage.co.uk. The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

**Meeting Dates and Newsletters**: These are published on the website www.tewinvillage.co.uk

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### THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY Visit to Cliveden on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Book your place by 26<sup>th</sup> June to avoid disappointment.

Cliveden is a National Trust estate in Buckinghamshire. High above the Thames with far-reaching views, impressive gardens and majestic woodlands capture the grandeur of a bygone age. From the formality of the Parterre with its vibrant floral displays to the quirky statuary and topiary in the Long Garden, the gardens will delight you. Formal gardens give way to secluded glades, tree-lined avenues and picturesque riverside with miles of woodland walks. It has something for everyone, so come along for a great day out on Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> July. The stunning Italianate mansion is leased as a private hotel but you will be able to take a tour of some of the public rooms on the ground floor, including the impressive Great Hall and famous French Dining Room. These tours take about 30 minutes and the maximum number per tour is 18 people. We have booked two consecutive tours at 11:30 and 11:40. These tours are free if you are a NT member, £2 otherwise. However, they do need to be booked (and paid for) in advance.

The estate has hard gravel paths, some steep slopes, undulating terrain and steps. If you are no longer as mobile as you used to be, you can use the shuttle bus which takes you to most places around the estate. Unfortunately, there are no powered mobility scooters but there are some manual wheelchairs (that need to be booked in advance).

If you would like to find out more about the garden and the facilities before you visit, please look at the web site https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/cliveden. National Trust members get free entry to the estate but they must bring their membership cards with them on the day. The prices for this visit are:-

	With National Trust membership	Without National Trust membership
THACS members	£15	£25
Non-members	£20	£30

The coach will leave Tewin from the bus stop opposite the Rose & Crown at 9:00am, and will leave Cliveden for the return journey at 3:30pm.

Please complete a booking form and send it with a cheque (payable to *THACS*) to Ray Keppler, 15 Upper Green Road, Tewin AL6 0LE **by 26<sup>th</sup> June**. Booking forms are available from the Tewin web site www.tewinvillage.co.uk/clubs/thacs/, from Ray Keppler (email raykeppler@btinternet.com or telephone 01438 717545), or after 1<sup>st</sup> May from Tewin Stores.

Ray Keppler (Event Organiser)

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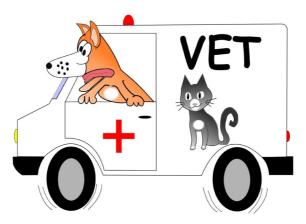
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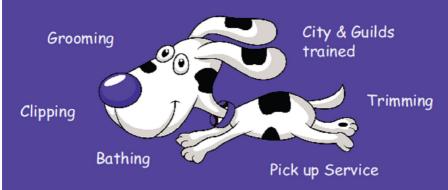
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#### **BOWLS CLUB NEWS**

'Hurrah' - the Bowling Green opens on Easter weekend! So Bowlers are polishing their woods and shoes, and looking forward to being out on the grass again. If you are not a Bowler, you can still come and "have a go" on our

#### CLUB OPEN DAY - Saturday, 4th May

There's a large Free Car Park, free bowling (bowls provided, but please bring flat shoes). There will be Lunches and Refreshment on sale and, afterwards, you can pop along to the Memorial Hall next door and browse through hundreds of books in the Spring Book Sale, which is on the same day – make a note in your calendar – Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> May.

The last of Kevin's Crazy Quiz Nights for this season will be held on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm. This is always very popular and in fact spaces are filling up rapidly. It is open to all and so if you haven't yet put your name down and wish to come along, please sign up in the Club or contact Todd Canton on 01438 717395 (toddcanton39@gmail.com) or Rob Kenway on 07552 780236. As always, supper will be provided.

Finally, the last Sunday lunch for Members and Patrons is on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> April – an Easter Turkey Special.

Meanwhile, if you are interested in joining the Club or the Monday morning Art Group, just contact one of the following:- Mike Howe on 01438 840063, or Todd Canton on 01438 717395.

#### Shire Park Bowls Club (Tewin)

#### Appeal For Information On An Act of Vandalism

You may have heard but I live at 24 Upper Green Road and in the early hours of Tuesday, 12th March (12:20am), our front bedroom and living room windows were smashed with concrete mortar. We have no idea who or why anyone would target our family with this terrifying attack.

We would like to warn the community and also encourage anyone to come forward with any information which can be reported to the police citing crime reference number 41/23097/19.

Also if anyone has experienced anything like this, such as knocking on windows late at night, we strongly encourage you to report these incidents to the police as they could be linked.

Sarah Parkinson

#### Tribute To The Late Margaret Knight, Formerly of The Mill House, Tewin

Margaret Knight died two years ago having lived with her husband and family in The Mill House in Tewin since 1962. During her time in the village we lost many elm trees to Dutch Elm disease and Margaret, a keen gardener, was determined to remedy this.

From 1978 – 2000 she organised working parties of villagers to plant 1,500 trees around the area and 10,000 bulbs, the last tree being the Millennium Oak on Lower Green, which she planted with Ivor Williams and Jack Bird. The crocuses, daffodils, narcissi and flowering trees we enjoy every spring are due to the efforts of Margaret and her many helpers. Margaret and her husband Richard also spent hours in their garden at the Mill House and opened it to visitors in aid of the National Garden Scheme and the Red Cross. In 2011 Margaret received the Tewin Society award for her significant contribution to the Heritage and Conservation of the village.

As the Parish Tree Warden, Margaret kept a book detailing when and what was included in each planting and a list of all those who had helped. This will be kept in the village archive chest at The Memorial Hall. To commemorate her work for the village, on 28 February 2019, Margaret's daughter, Philippa, and John, her gardener, planted a tree on Lower Green. This is a *Liquid Amber Lane-Roberts*, a lovely flowering tree, which is very unusual and was discovered in the garden of the Mill House many years ago, when Dr Lane-Roberts lived there, before the Knight family. It was named by Sir Harold Hillier of Hillier Gardens in Hampshire who recognised it as unique and took cuttings from which all later specimens have been grown. About twenty villagers came to the tree planting to celebrate Margaret's contribution to the village and to hear Philippa speak about her mother's work.

Please take a moment to look at the tree which is near The Rose and Crown public house.

Linda Gilley



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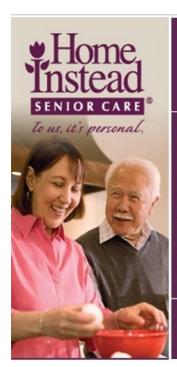


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#### **Tewin Memorial Hall Draw**

#### February 2019

Below are the results for the February Supporters Club draw:

1<sup>st</sup> £58 Gary Morrisroe, Orchard Road 2<sup>nd</sup> £34 William Horsman, Harwood Close 3<sup>rd</sup> £12 Mike Horsman, Harwood Close 3<sup>rd</sup> £12 Ann Polydorou, Godfries Close

Want to see your name here?

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

#### **Primrose Day**

In the late 19th century, April 19th was designated Primrose Day in memory of the British Prime Minister, Benjamin Disraeli, who died on this day in 1881. People were encouraged to wear a primrose as it was his favourite flower. However this may not be the case. Queen Victoria sent a wreath of primroses to Disraeli's funeral as 'it was his favourite flower'. People assumed the 'his' referred to Disraeli but in fact it referred to Victoria's late husband, Prince Albert.

#### **Screen On The Green**

It's time for another foreign film this month. On 15<sup>th</sup> April we are showing "Closely Watched Trains" (Czech 1966). Set in a sleepy backwater railroad station in the last years of World War II, the film takes as its main narrative the sentimental education of a timid, sensitive adolescent lad and his amorous adventures. Based on the writings of the Czech novelist Bohumil Hrabal, the director Jiri Menzel blends comedy, tragedy, farce, eroticism, satire, naturalism and absurdity into a highly idiosyncratic and beguiling mix. "Closely Watched Trains" won an Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film in 1967

Further dates for this season:

20<sup>th</sup> May *Once* (2007)

17<sup>th</sup> June *Bridge of Spies (2015)* 

MONDAY 15 APRIL. Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start.

Complimentary teas and coffees beforehand. Ice cream on sale. Tickets from Tewin Stores or on the door, priced £4. Bring your own drinks and nibbles for a jolly night out at the Tewin Memorial Hall.

Marie St Pier

#### TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL <u>SPRING BOOK SALE – Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> May: 10am – 4pm</u>

Now's the time to think about your Summer reading so if you come along to our Book Sale on the 4<sup>th</sup> May you'll be able to browse around hundreds of books in a great variety of categories, including novels, biographies, cookery, gardening, sport, the arts, history, geography, transport, and many other specialised subjects. We will have hardback as well as paperback books, plus jigsaws, puzzles and CDs to suit all ages, as well as numerous children's books.

Entrance is free and, as always, our second-hand books, some as new, will be on offer at very low prices. You'll be under no pressure to buy and in between browsing, you'll be able to enjoy some refreshment. In addition, you will be welcome to have lunch at the Bowls Club next door, so this will all make for a pleasant and leisurely day.

Meanwhile, we will need some help on both the Friday afternoon and Saturday of the Sale so if you think you can spare some time, please contact Linda Crawford on 717538 or e-mail: lindarichard@talktalk.net.

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

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

The Tewin Memorial Hall Committee

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

One of Tilly, the Rectory dog's favourite and most irritating games is sneaking into the hen coop, when I am cleaning it out, and removing an egg. At first she would carefully carry these eggs in her soft muzzle and deposit them in hard-to-be-found parts of the garden. More recently she has learned that if the egg is dropped, or perhaps if she clamps her jaws a little harder, then out pours the delicious golden goo that is just waiting to be lapped up.

Eggs will be in abundance this month, largely of the chocolate variety, also deposited in gardens for the excitement of a hunt. The tradition of decorated eggs predates Easter and in many cultures represents the coming of Spring. An egg, as a symbol of new life, then became an obvious symbol for Christians to adopt for the celebration of Easter.

But Tilly is correct. The egg is to be broken. Whether it is a new chick cracking the shell so that life can begin, or the smashing open of a chocolate egg on Easter day so the sweetness of celebration can be tasted and consumed, the symbolism is of a breaking.

During Lent we may have considered certain habits or behaviours that would best be broken. Some of us may have succeeded in this discipline, others of us will just have been reminded that there are things in our lives that we still need to crack. Sometimes things do need to be broken in order that new ways of living may begin.

But the good news of Easter is that, despite our efforts, it is the risen Christ who has done the ultimate breaking; bursting open the tomb, revealing a love of God that is uncontainable, unstoppable and everlasting.

So parents, I'm on the side of your children. Don't keep those eggs sensibly wrapped and rationed in the hope of saving teeth and healthy diets. Smash them open. Eat the lot. Celebrate the feast that has broken death. Taste just how good it is!

Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES							
DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 <sup>ST</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL
APRIL	5th SUNDAY OF LENT	HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30 am	DAVID MUNCHIN	ISAIAH 43: 16-21	PHILIPPI- ANS 3: 4b-14	JOHN 12: 1-8
7th		CHORAL EVENSONG	6.30pm	MICK SIMMONS	PSALM 35	2 CORIN- THIANS 35: 1-6, 10-16	LUKE 22: 1-13
14th	PALM SUNDAY	HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30am	DOMINIC HOLROYD- THOMAS	ISAIAH 50: 4-9a	PHILIPPI- ANS 2: 5-11	LUKE 22:14- End of 23
18th	MAUNDY THURSDAY		8pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	EXODUS 12: 1-4, (5-10), 11-14	1 CORIN- THIANS 11: 23-26	JOHN 13: 1-17, 31b-35
19th	GOOD FRIDAY	STATIONS OF THE CROSS	12 Noon	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
21st	EASTER DAY	HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30am	DOMINIC HOLROYD- THOMAS	ISAIAH 65: 17-End	ACTS 10: 34-43	JOHN 20: 1-18
28th	2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER	HOLY COMMUN- ION WITH BAPTISM	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	ACTS 5: 27-32	REVELA- TION 4-8	JOHN 20: 19-End

Please note there will be no evening service on Easter Sunday

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

#### **ROTAS**

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21st PAULINE	HERBERT LAMING	DI BRADLEY MAVIS HAGGAR	PAT FULFORD	EASTER FLOWERS	
28th DAVID	ТВС	PETE JOHNSON ELAINE FOWLER	PETE JOHNSON	WEDDING	ELAINE FOWLER

#### St Peter's News

#### Annual Parochial Church Meeting – a date for your diaries

Our APCM will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 p.m. in Tewin Memorial Hall. Do come along – you will very welcome - and find out what the PCC has been up to during the year and enjoy a glass of wine/nibbles with us

#### **Lent Group Meetings and Lent Lunch**

These were a great success and our group enjoyed exploring some of the Old Testament stories.

Thanks to Audrey Walters for hosting our Lent Lunch – proceeds will go to 'Embrace the Middle East'.

#### **World War I Grave Signs**

Some of you may be aware that there are a number of WW1 graves in our Churchyard. We have now received our signs from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to indicate that they are there. To make it easier for potential visitors, the signs will hang at the end of the driveway and further information can be found in the Church.

#### **Easter Workshop and Egg Hunt**

Our Children's Easter workshop and Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April at St Peter's between 10 and 11.30 a.m. There will be a variety of craft activities for the children and we will build our Easter Garden before enjoying our Egg Hunt. All children are welcome.

#### **Easter Services/Flowers**

Full details of our Easter Services are in the Easter card which will be circulated in the village. Further copies will be available in the Church and also in the village shop. We would like to welcome you to St Peter's over this period - everyone welcome.

There is still time, if you wish, to donate towards our Easter flowers. Contributions may be passed to our Churchwardens or to Sue Whitbourn. Thank you.

PB

#### Intercession.

#### (A fictional story which also manages to be in a different sense true)

Penelope is a young woman in her mid-twenties, married and with a young baby. An occasional churchgoer, she always prays for her great aunt Matilda. Her mother was always insistent on this and it has become Penelope's habit to continue to do so even though her mother is no longer alive.

Although she once met Matilda, it was so many years ago that Penelope does not have a clear memory of her. Her mother always said that Matilda was very lonely and needed help. As Matilda sent Christmas cards each year, Penelope knew both that she was still alive and that she lived in warden assisted accommodation in Bexhill.

Last Sunday, Penelope lost her cool. All her years of prayer for Matilda seemed, so far as she was aware, to have fallen on completely deaf ears. There was nothing else for it. Whatever it was that needed doing, she would have to do it herself.

On the way down, she realised that, faced with a large group of old ladies, she might not know which one Matilda was. However, Matilda recognised her. They had a wonderful afternoon and Matilda was charmed by the baby. The great niece and great aunt are determined to keep in touch with one another.

Also on the way down, and somewhat angrily, Penelope kept thinking "So much for the power of prayer!". On the way back, now not angry and feeling happy with what she had done that day, she was thinking the same thing, - only, - it was different.

She now knew that the deaf ears were her own.

Ted Sharp

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### TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL JUMBLE SALE REPORT

This year's Spring Jumble Sale could be described as 'blowing in the wind' – Tents and Gazebos which had been erected in the morning by our team of diligent workers eventually succumbed to the heavy gusts of wind which arrived soon after. As a result, two of our new tents were totally wrecked together with three gazebos. Fortunately, nobody was hurt, but for safety's sake it was decided to dismantle the few that remained, which meant that some of our outside stall workers had no protection and had to endure the wind and cold throughout the afternoon. However, they continued unstintingly and we are very grateful to them for their loyalty and service well beyond the call of duty. We are also grateful to Jerry and Paula Collins, who lost their two large gazebos, as a result of which they had to operate their barbecue in one of the garden sheds at the back of the Hall, but they, like the others, worked diligently to ensure that our visitors enjoyed a full service. In addition, for various reasons we were below our usual level of manpower so are grateful to all our team of Jumblers who coped with the extra work caused by the fact that we had to move some items, such as clothing, from the Car Park into the Main Hall. As a result, space was at a premium so initially visitors were quite tightly crowded around the stalls.

Despite these setbacks, the event proved to be a success. As a result takings to date have amounted to £3,981, which is a great testimony to everyone who donated and worked so diligently to ensure that the Jumble Sale was a success. In addition, as always, several local charities have benefited from the donations of unsold clothes and other items.

So, despite the weather, the Spring Jumble Sale proved to be a worthwhile event. Therefore, as always, we are particularly grateful to our wonderful team of Jumblers, who worked hard to put up tents and gazebos (only to see them blown down!), as well as setting out tables, sorting and allocating all the donated goods on Friday and Saturday and also manning stalls during the Sale. In addition, we are also grateful to the great team who kept us all going with tea, coffee and biscuits throughout Friday and Saturday. Lastly, but not least, our grateful thanks go to our leaflet distributors and area collectors, who picked up donations throughout the Village before the Sale, including, as always Denis Compton and Stuart Kirkham. The Jumble Sales could not take place without all these willing workers.

Therefore, despite our earlier misgivings the Spring Jumble Sale proved to be a happy, successful occasion, which we hope to repeat at the Autumn Sale. So please note the date – <u>Saturday</u>, 12<sup>th</sup> October – same time, same place. Thank you again.

Todd Canton (01438 717395) - on behalf of The Memorial Hall Committe

#### **Tewin Tennis Club**



An amazing fact. Over the winter season, one of the weekly men's tennis groups had to call off play only *once* due to bad weather! Now you could point to the effects of climate change, but whatever the reason, tennis is a game that you

can play outside for the majority of the time. You just need some warm gear and a willingness to play wearing gloves occasionally.

As I write this it's a grey Saturday morning, but soon I'll be down on the courts with a solid number of players for the 11am men's mix-in, which is preceded by a similar gathering of ladies every week. These sessions are for anyone who cares to come along so do feel free to drop down. Details are on the club website, www.tewintennisclub.co.uk.

As you read this the clocks are changing which gives the club instant extra playing time in the evening. The Datchworth League series of matches begins on Easter Monday; this year the club has shrunk our entry from four to three teams, which should help to give each team a bit more clout, rather than spreading players too thinly.

Then into May, the clubs' extremely popular ABC League will run on Friday evenings. Women's and men's teams play a dogged series of games each week in order to win the much-prized trophy in August. Once again the whole series will be organised by Gerry Murphy and his spreadsheet sidekick, Rupert Stanley. If you haven't played in the ABC before, get in touch with one of them directly, or a committee member, and we'll get you on the roster.

Finally, the AGM was well attended at the beginning of March in the Pavilion. Much was discussed, including team success in 2018, coaching with our no-longer-new coach Ross, the temporary lighting that has enabled the club to coach youngsters through the winter, and the reveal of the new Tewin Tennis Club branded clothing.

Your club, as ever, has so much to offer. Get down and enjoy your-selves!

Peter Burgess



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#### **Tewin Stores and Cafe**

Thank you to all those who attended The Tewin Stores recent AGM at The Tewin Pavilion. During the meeting The Committee unveiled their plans as to how they hope to secure the long-term future of the shop as well as the possible upgrading of the premises. These plans will only happen with the full support of the community and details as to how you can support this important village asset will be released soon. So, watch out for further news!

We currently have frozen sausages, ham and bacon available at discounted prices, so fill your basket as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

How would you like to read your Newspaper over breakfast? Did you know we can deliver your favourite newspaper or magazine and most deliveries happen before 7.30am? You may choose to only have deliveries at the weekend.

Let us know if you would like further details.

Why don't you come to the monthly lunch on April 27<sup>th</sup> where Jacket Potatoes will be served with various fillings? Servings will take place from 12 noon till 2pm.

Pancake day at the shop was another great success despite it having to be a week late. Thank you to Mary Rouse for flipping the batter.

100 Club Monthly prize draw winners are:

1<sup>st</sup> Jacquie Mercer - £39.50

2<sup>nd</sup> Sylvia Brown - £19.75

3<sup>rd</sup> Sue Whitbourn - £11.85

#### Normal shop opening hours are:

Monday – Friday: 8.30 - 4.30pm, Saturdays: 8.30 - 12 noon, Sundays: 9.00 - 12 noon

Linda Crawford, Vice Chairman, Tewin Shop Committee



#### TEWIN COMMUNITY TRANSPORT NEWS

#### **Spring NEWS!!**

Have you ever thought of using the Community Minibus on a Saturday morning?

Regular passengers are delighted to be able to go shopping, meet friends, catch a train or simply enjoy the ride to Welwyn Garden City, Hertford and Stevenage. Last year the Steering Group arranged a special trip to St Albans for Christmas shopping – this was a great success and we hope to offer other special trips as the weather improves.

The next 'special morning out' will be on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April to Ayletts Garden Centre at Colney Heath leaving Tewin at 9.30am and arriving back at 1.00pm. This will be in time for you to spend an hour or two at the Memorial Hall where you can admire the exhibits and pick up your prizes at the THACS Spring Show.

The Saturday Minibus will continue for the foreseeable future thanks to our valued supporters. Contact Ann Kevis at the Over 50s Club to book a place and to pay your Fare (£2.50 single, £5 return. Under 18s half price) Call Ann on 01438 717473.

We are still gathering information from the young people about their out of school transport needs. Thank you to all those who have contributed to our Survey, which is still open; this is the link to copy into your browser https://tinyurl.com/ydf4eggd or email tim.hayward-smith@cdaherts.org.uk for a paper version.

#### Friends of Tewin



Happy Easter to you all. With Spring now upon us let's hope the April showers don't dampen our spirits as we go forward with our forthcoming events.

**Dancing around the Maypole** is our first event performed by the children of Tewin Cowper School, Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 10am on Lower Green. Practicing is well underway for this event which the children thoroughly enjoy per-

forming for you, so please come along and show them your support. If the weather is bad (fingers crossed it won't be) the dancing will take place in the school hall.

2019 sees our biennial **Tewin Scarecrow Competition**, to be held this year on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> May. We're looking to find the best scarecrow in Tewin. It's free to enter with prizes for the winners and children's activities in Tewin Memorial Hall throughout the weekend. There's also a Treasure Trail around Tewin, following the Scarecrows Trail, with a family prize for the winners.

The Scarecrow Trail Map, costing £2.50 and including a voting form, will be on sale in Tewin Stores and the Rose and Crown from 15<sup>th</sup> May. During the Scarecrows weekend, Maps will be on sale at Tewin Stores between 8.30 and 12 Noon, Rose and Crown from 11am and Tewin Memorial Hall from 10am until 4pm.

You should have already received a flyer through your letterbox with "how to make your Scarecrow instructions" on the reverse so, please have a go and enter. It's great fun to see our beautiful village transformed for this special weekend event. Entry forms to be returned by **9th May**, at the very latest to Tewin Stores, 32 Firs Walk Tewin Wood or 5 School Lane, Tewin.

Then our thoughts turn to our largest and most successful village event our annual **Classic Car and Craft Show**. It is on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August on Upper Green. This is a very popular event so if you own a classic car, please send in your entry form early to avoid disappointment. We had to turn away cars last year that hadn't pre-booked because the Green was full to capacity! More details to follow.

Organised by Friends of Tewin, the car show's success lies in the fact that we have so many helpful, cheerful volunteers. A huge **thank you** to them all from the committee. We ask you please, to say "Yes" to helping again this year, the atmosphere is great. It's busy, but enjoyable! Please spare us an hour or two and if you haven't helped before, we would very much appreciate your support too. Please can you get in touch with Brenda Barber on 01438 489425 or email friendsoftewin@gmail.com

Olly Morrisroe- Vice Chairman, Friends of Tewin

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

This time last year the Friends began the process of amending the Objects of the charity to allow it to respond better to the needs of the community we serve. The demands, and the needs, of the health services we support have changed quite radically and will continue to do so.

Following consultations with our supporters the Charity Commission have now approved our proposal. Whilst Danesbury Neurological Centre and Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital remain our focus we will be able, subject to available funds, to help other health facilities in Hertfordshire. Already we are aware of help being needed within the county's neurological services and we will look to see how we might be able to provide some help in the future.

All this means that we need your support as much as ever. With Easter approaching fast please watch out for our holiday events in the Welwyn shop. You will be sure to find Easter bonnets and bunnies galore!

Find us on Facebook at Danesbury Shop Welwyn

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#### **Isabel Hospice**

## Spring Charity Ball for Isabel Hospice 6<sup>th</sup> April

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15th April - 'Virgins, Weeders & Queens: A History of Women in the Garden'. Stocking Pelham Hall, Stocking Pelham, Buntingford. Join us at 11.30am for 12pm for an amusing and informative talk by Twigs Way - well known garden historian. Coffee is available on arrival followed by the talk and a delicious lunch. Tickets cost £37.50 and include coffee and lunch with wine. If you have any enquiries please contact either Suzanne Coleman on 01438 798869 or Barbara Doherty on 01279 842140

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