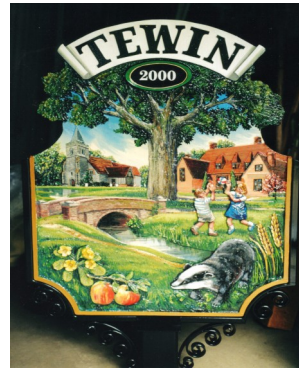




Tewin Magazine



September 2021

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Over 50s Club Day Out

Editorial Note

Welcome to our September 2021 edition of the Tewin Magazine. Our back page photos this month were taken by Byron Sinfield and our front cover by Linda Crawford.

September is looking to be an interesting month.

Tewin Tennis Club are celebrating their 50th Anniversary on Saturday September 4th (p21).

THACS are holding their Autumn Show on Saturday 11th (p6).

St Peter's Harvest Festival will be held on Lower Green on the morning of Sunday 19th followed by the Tewin Stores BBQ at 1pm. This will be complemented by a concert at 3pm at St Peter's Church by a new women's chamber choir, SaVoce (p3).

Screen on the Green is returning with 'The Post' on 20th (p9).

Trussells Butcher's Van is outside the shop on Fridays from 2.30-3.30. Call 01438 812304 if you wish to order in advance. **Phil's Fish Van** is in the village on Monday evenings. Call 07513 142536 for 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

'Samaritans' Purse' Shoeboxes Operation Christmas Child

For many years Jackie Beadle was committed to encouraging people to support this worthy cause, giving joy to needy children who otherwise may not receive a Christmas gift. Sadly, Jackie died this year but Judy Pudefoot and Sue Whitbourn have taken up the baton in order to continue her endeavours.

Leaflets and shoe boxes will be available shortly at St Peter's Church, Tewin Stores or on request.

Thanking you in anticipation of your support.

Sue Whitbourn, 01438 798221

St Peter's Harvest Festival Sunday 19th September



11:15am Service of Thanksgiving on *Lower Green

You are invited to a special outdoor Harvest service to give thanks for our farming community and also the neighbourliness of this village after a difficult year.

- Bring out your garden chairs/picnic blankets
- Sing your favourite hymns
- Enjoy our Pimm's, soft drinks and cake sale in aid of Tearfund
- Harvest mouse hunt for children
- Bring tins or dried produce for our local Foodbank
- Enjoy a **Barbeque at 1pm in aid of Tewin Stores**

Come and celebrate our village with your neighbours!
*If wet the service will be in the school hall

3pm Harvest Festival Concert in St. Peter's Church



'A Choral Harvest'
free concert by
the SAVoice singers



Followed by tea and cake
After expenses a retiring collection will go to St. Peter's Church

Tewin Parish Council



Hedges

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

Litter Bins

Please be sensible as to what you put in the litter bins. Too often there are large bags of rubbish stuffed into them, leaving no room for genuine litter including dog poo bags. If you are having a picnic, please take your rubbish home with you. Do not put household rubbish in litter bins. If your rubbish is going to fill the bin, then you should be taking it away with you.

NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting is on **Monday 6th September 2021** at 7.30pm in 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 & website 3 working days before the meeting. *All Parishioners are welcome to attend and can make comments at the start of the meeting.*

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

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

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THACS - TEWIN HORTICULTURAL ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY

Autumn Show on Saturday 11th September

The Tewin Autumn Show will be held in the Memorial Hall on Saturday 11th September, with the doors opening at 2:00pm. Come along to see the displays of flower arranging, flowers, vegetables & fruit, painting, pottery, handicraft, photography, baking and more. There will be something on show for everyone to admire and enjoy!

There is no entrance charge and tempting refreshments will be on sale including lots of homemade cakes to enjoy with your tea or coffee.

Prize-giving will start at 3:30pm. After the prize giving, there will be a sale of some of the exhibits, with the proceeds going to Tewin Stores. It's great to have this traditional village show back after a gap of two long years, so do come along to support and enjoy it.

If you would like to be one of the exhibitors, there is still time for you to enter the show, but there is no time for delay! All you need to do is: -

- 1) Get the show schedule (down-load from the *THACS* page on the village website or paper copies from Tewin Stores)
- 2) Decide which categories to enter
- 3) Complete your entry form
- 4) Deliver the completed entry form to Jim Hall, 5 School Lane, Tewin, before the deadline of 12:00 Wednesday 8th September.

Entry is free to everyone for this show so what have you got to lose?

Ray Keppler

THACS Chairman

On This Day - 4th September

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| 1888 | George Eastman registered the trademark Kodak and took out a patent for the first roll-film camera |



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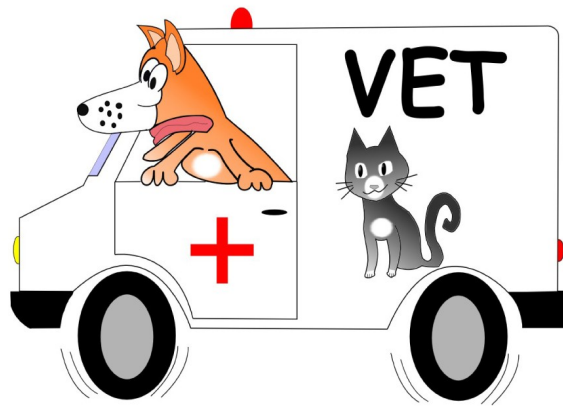
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Screen On The Green

At long last, after a break of 18 months, we are ready to start up our popular village film club again on Monday 20th September when we will be showing "*The Post*" (2017).

Directed by Steven Spielberg, *The Post* stars Meryl Streep as Katharine Graham and Tom Hanks as Ben Bradlee in a thrilling drama based on an exposé of a massive cover-up of US government secrets that spanned three decades and four presidents. Working for the Washington Post the journalists race to catch The New York Times in an attempt to publish the *Pentagon Papers*, regarding the 20 year involvement of the US government in the Vietnam War.

The Post received numerous Oscar and Golden Globe nominations being well received by both audiences and critics. It was cited as one of the top 10 films of the year.

The evening will be run in a similar way to before but, for the safety of everyone, we would prefer that you are double vaccinated. Wear a mask if you wish but please do not come if you are feeling unwell.

Future dates for the diary:

18th October: *Stan & Ollie* (2018)

15th November: *Hugo* (2011)

13th December: *To be confirmed*

MONDAY 20 SEPTEMBER Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start. A complimentary drink 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

On The Farm Harvest Update

Our oats became ready for harvest, and luckily a short gap of much drier and warmer days became available on the 2nd and 3rd of August, which let us harvest them. The straw was wanted by a friend. Unfortunately the straw was damp and we had to leave it for a couple of days to dry out. Then, on the Thursday, it rained and it is still on the field. The crop yielded well. The oats were sold for harvest movement. They were put on the drying floor, to get the moisture to 15%, and I expect some lorries to take them away. I will fill you in at a later date as to where they will end up .
I hope by the time you read these notes that our wheat will be harvested and in store as we have had some Summer Weather (Sunshine) !

The world grain trade is driven by America and how its crops are in the Mid West, (the central plains of America).

I sell my crops to 3 main grain traders - Frederic Smart, North Herts Farmers Grain, and Glencore Grain. I receive texts from them once or twice a week letting me know how the crops are worldwide and the latest prices.

All trade is driven by the weather. Currently prices are high due to drought, and the very hot weather in America, Canada and other areas of importance like Russia, Ukraine and the Black Sea area. There has been some very wet weather in Europe, and to a lesser extent Australia, and no one knows how crops will yield till harvest time, so we don't know the value of our crops until after harvest.

Ivor Williams.

Interesting Events in September

2nd September 1752

Britain and its colonies replaced the Julian calendar with the Gregorian calendar. The 3rd September became 14th September

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Tewin Stores Post Office Open:

Wed 9.30am until 11.30am

Fri 9.30am until 11.30am

Datchworth Village Hall Post Office Open:

Tues 9.00am until 12 noon

Tewin Memorial Hall Draw

July 2021

Here's confirmation of the draw results for July

| | | |
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| 1st | £55 | Lilian Southgate, Back Lane |
| 2nd | £33 | David Marshall, Churchfield Cottages |
| 3rd | £11 | David Room, West Riding |
| 3rd | £11 | Barbara Clarke, Godfries Close |

Want to see your name here?

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- Tewin Stores
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TED WILLIS
1944-2021

As many of you will now know Ted sadly died on 26th July at Isabel Hospice. He was my husband for almost 12 years & my partner for 47. We arrived in Tewin in 1978 & apart from 1 year in Wheathampstead have lived here ever since. There are several things that you may not know about him as he was quite an unassuming man. He was an accomplished musician & there were a few jam sessions with other locals when we moved here – sadly most of them have already gone. He knew the most obscure things in the pub quiz. He was also very involved with the Tewin Players as the sound engineer & occasionally treading the boards. He took up badminton in his 40s - probably the first time in his life that he had enjoyed any sport. His enthusiasm made up for his lack of athleticism! An enjoyable afternoon was spent in the Rose & Crown on Friday 13th August toasting his memory. He would have been so surprised to see how many people had turned out for him.

Unfortunately, the idea of donations for Isabel Hospice was raised a bit late in the day but we still raised £150.

Sue Angus

The Over 50s Club Re-opened on Thursday 22nd of July.

The session started with a short remembrance service to allow us to bring to mind those members who had died since our last club meeting in March 2020: Richard Crawford, Sheila Hansom, Carol Oliver, Elizabeth Wilson and Maureen Yates.

Having not met as a group for 16 months the afternoon continued with a return to Club activities amidst much talk and great merriment. We finished the session by marking all members' missed birthdays and sharing an enormous birthday cake that Susan Tyler had very kindly collected from Stevenage.

We recently took a delightful trip on the River Lee in Broxbourne . Not having been out for so long it was lovely to meet friends and have a hot meal on the boat before returning home. The weather was kind to us and we went through 2 locks and saw lots of lovely houses and water life. The Friends of Tewin paid for the coach which had been booked over 12 months ago. The Club welcomes new members; please contact Ann Kevis on 01438 717473 for further details.

Team Vicar's Letter

This September marks ten years of my being vicar at Tewin and Datchworth and a decade seems an occasion to look back on living within these special communities. In that time I have been privileged to conduct around 100 weddings, 150 baptisms and 300 funerals.

There have been fabulous village fetes, celebrations, concerts and parties. I have been asked to bless babies, marriages, pubs and slugs. I have laughed so much – and also cried - and for both been given some wonderful hugs (remember those?). There have been quieter moments too - around hospital beds, in empty churches or praying with people in their living rooms, where God has felt very close. There have been some extraordinary acts of kindness, generosity and charity that I have witnessed. And there has been a lot of tea, cake and, when needed, gin.

Being a vicar is such a privilege. It often proves to be a generous invitation into people's lives. For some occasions that means just a dip into an important moment for them, such as a bereavement or marriage, and with others it means a more consistent living alongside. I delight in the special relationship I have with our schools, the contact with young people through our youth groups but also the stories of fascinating lives I gain through older generations.

Ordination is summed up for me in the words of a past Archbishop, Michael Ramsey. Being a priest he says is 'being with God for the people, and being with the people for God'.

Thank you to all of you who have shared these last years with me. I gain far more from you than I will ever be able to give.

Susannah

| ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES | | | | | | | |
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| DATE | DAY | SERVICE | TIME | MINISTER | 1 ST READING | 2 ND READING | GOSPEL |
| SEPTEMBER 5th | 14th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY | * HOLY COMMUNION | 9.30am | SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD | ISAIAH 35: 4-7a | JAMES 2: 1-10, 14-17 | MARK 7: 24– End |
| 12th | 15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY | HOLY COMMUNION | 9.30am | SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD LIZ LAVELLE | ISAIAH 50: 4-9a | JAMES 3: 1-12 | MARK 8: 27-End |
| 19th | HARVEST FESTIVAL | FAMILY SERVICE ON LOWER GREEN | 11.15am | SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD LIZ LAVELLE | MAT- THEW 6: 25-33 | | |
| | | SAVOCE CONCERT & TEA NO EVENING SERVICE | 3pm — | | | | |
| 26th | 17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY | * HOLY COMMUNION | 9.30am | SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD MICK SIMMONS | NUMBERS 1: 4-6, 10-16,24-29 | JAMES 5: 13-End | MARK 9: 38-End |

Services marked with * will be streamed

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

St Peter's Church will be floodlit on 3rd September in memory of the late Roger Temple, on the occasion of his birthday.

| ROTAS | | | | | |
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| SERVER | READER | SIDESMEN | COFFEE | FLOWERS | CLEANER |
| 5th DAVID | NICKY HADLEY | ANGELA WILLIAMS LINDA MAITLAND | CHURCH WARDENS & VERGER | TBC | PAULINE SPRING |
| 12th PAULINE | KAREN SHAW | ANNE LAND PETE JOHNSON | DITTO | TBC | CLARE RAWLINS |
| 19th | IVOR WILLIAMS OR PAUL CROTTY | MYRA WALKER | DITTO | HARVEST | VOLUNTEER NEEDED |
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| 26th DAVID | PAULINE SPRING | PAULINE & GRAHAM SPRING | DITTO | CLARE RAWLINS | VOLUNTEER NEEDED |

FUNERAL

5th August 2021

Ray Smith

WEDDING

24th July 2021

**Portia Alexandra Whiskin &
Luke Sam Harvey-Whiskin**

St Peter's News

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

I have been rereading the chapter on the church in *The History of Tewin by the People of Tewin* during August. Some of you may be aware that we are planning to reprint the book and to produce a second volume of life in the village in the past twelve years during which so much has happened. Did you know that electricity was only fitted in the church in 1953? Until that time all services would have been candlelit. The church must have been so dark for much of the year. It makes it a very unwelcoming place when it is dark and gloomy. During August we have been consulting the congregation and anyone who visits to discover their views on where we should have new LED lights to bring us into the 21st century.

August has also been the month when we have visited our sister churches in the Team Ministry for our programme of Summer Evenings, which is always a delight. Ours coincided with Susannah's Garden Party at the Rectory in Datchworth, making the 15th a busy day for St Peter's with Family Service in the morning as well. Our Family Service in July was on such a nice sunny day that we held it in the churchyard, gathering outside the West Door to be able to hear the organ and to all sing together. Since the change in the Covid guidance for services we have begun singing again in church. People are encouraged to wear masks if they wish and to ensure their neighbours are happy to be seated nearby. We are still only taking bread for communion and coffee has been served outside the West Door to avoid too much close contact. But by and large we are getting back to normal. Our joint service with Datchworth took place at All Saints, Datchworth instead of on Burnham Green this year as there was no Burnham Green Festival. We are starting our rotas for Coffee, Sidesmen, and Readers which have largely been covered by Nick, Pete, and me over the pandemic. So if you are approached about coming back to such duties at church, please do think about participating in services again. You have been missed.

We are looking forward to a different **Harvest Festival on the 19th September**. This will be an **Open-Air Service on Lower Green at 11.15am** with cake and Pimm's afterwards. The BBQ in aid of Tewin Stores will be at 1pm and at 3pm we are invited to attend a **concert in St Peter's given by the SAVoce choir** that sang so beautifully for us at our Carol Service last Christmas. This will be followed by tea and cake. There will be no tickets, but people will be asked for donations from which the profit will go to the church building fund.

We will not be going to take food or duvets to St Saviour's Priory for the time being as they are still "well-supplied" with everything they need. They value our prayers and encouragement and thank us for our kindness and support.

We hope that if you have managed to get away this summer or been able to welcome family and friends not seen for many months that you and they have remained safe and well. We have members of the congregation still suffering from long Covid and we pray for all those who have been affected by the virus as the numbers continue to rise around the country and across the world. We continue to hold in our prayers all those who have lost loved ones during this year from whatever cause.

Our clergy are in contact with those self-isolating or unable to get out of the house, or with any bereaved families. If you cannot attend church, a service is streamed every Sunday from one of the churches in the Welwyn Team and may be found through www.welwyn.org.uk Alternatively, please contact, by email or phone,

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Linda Gilley.



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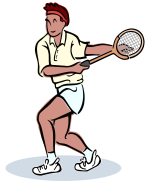
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Tewin Tennis Club

After a rain delay of a few days the sun was shining for our Alphabet League Finals on Wednesday August 4th. In a new departure, there was a playoff for the top spots, which added a frisson of excitement to a cruelly curtailed ABC season.

The best female and male player represented each team. A happy crowd of over 20 saw Team E, represented by Eileen Doyle & Nick Toombs snatch a hard-won 8-5 victory over 2nd-placed Team C of Debbie Pritchard & Neil Whiskin.

In the battle for third place Deidre Hatt and Mike Purser (Team B) triumphed over Di Bradley and Roger Clarke (Team A). The novel end to the season was such a success that it was the subject of much discussion in the Plume of Feathers by players and supporters afterwards!

Next, topping off the summer season, is our party to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Tewin Tennis Club. It takes place in the pavilion on Upper Green on Saturday September 4th. Tickets and catering arrangements had to be finalised well in advance, but there may be drop outs, so do get in touch with David Rawlins at rawlins31@btinternet.com to see if there's a chance of a space.

We promise tennis-themed games, music, food and a welcome drink. Fingers crossed for glorious sunshine and much fun. See you there.

Peter Burgess

On This September Day

2nd September 1954

The National Trust for Scotland acquired Fair Isle, an island known for its birdlife and knitted sweaters

Julia and Dagmar's Wing Walk.

(The sequel to last month's article, Two Wonderful Tewin Women On Their Flying Machine)

A few weeks ago, Julia Kempson (nee Tizard) telephoned me. 'You're going to be annoyed with me as I've agreed to do something daft'. Those of you who have the pleasure of knowing Julia know that's nothing new. 'I'm going on a wing walk on a real plane! And I'm doing it with Dagmar Brook who is raising funds for the Isabel Hospice in her late husband Phillip's name'.

Having chastised her for doing such a daft thing I was delighted it was in support of our local hospice as I had recently had wonderful and compassionate help from them when they looked after Jean, my late wife, and enabled her to be at home with me in her last days.

I was even more delighted when Julia asked me if she could do the Wing Walk in memory of Jean.

On the appointed day a few cars left Tewin for a small airfield near Upminster and there the ladies and their support team saw the aircraft for the first time. A bi-plane, big and solid-looking but old, very old.

A smiling Dagmar was first to fly and was followed by Julia a short time later. Whilst being strapped into the seat – if you can call it that, it was more like a small square through which you placed your backside with the lower frame of the seat resting under the upper thighs – Julia yelled to me and pulled from her pants the Order of Service at Jean's funeral. 'I'm taking Jean up with me' she shouted just before her voice was drowned out by the noise of the engine starting.

Our intrepid aviators raced down the grass runway and, at a speed of over 130 miles an hour, flew off into the distance. A few minutes later the aircraft returned and, quite literally, dive-bombed the awe-struck crowd, climbed, banked steeply, and proceeded to do a small circuit climbing, diving and banking all the time. I felt queasy just looking. How the girls fared I dread to think. They both had smiles on their faces, however and seemed to enjoy the ride.

To date our lovely ladies, Julia and Dagmar, have raised over £7,000 for the Isabel Hospice and this amount is increasing every day. If you wish to donate to such a worthwhile cause, simply contact me. I'll be pleased to pop round to collect your contribution at a mutually convenient time.

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Tewin Stores and Cafe

Unfortunately from 29th August we are no longer able to offer newspaper deliveries, as our search for someone to carry on with deliveries was not successful. If you would like us to save your newspaper, and collect it from the box outside the shop, please let Bev know.

Jenny Mason, our current treasurer, is stepping down from the committee in October. Jenny has been a brilliant treasurer and has made a very real contribution to the success of the shop, especially last year. We need to find someone to take on the role of treasurer, so if you know of anyone in the village or further afield who would be interested in the position please contact

Peter Miller (pjmiller17@gmail.com) or
Eleanor Lohr (eleanorlohr@gmail.com) .

As we reported last month, we have now submitted plans to EHDC for the redevelopment of the courtyard. These outline plans are available to view on the Tewin Stores website and in the shop. We hope to hear back from the planners in the next 6 weeks. Once we have planning approval the architect will draw up detailed plans.

We would like to put together a team of volunteers to help tidy up the shop and courtyard. If you're handy with a paintbrush, mop & bucket or duster please add your name and contact details to the notice board in the shop. Thank you.

The 100 Club August draw result is as follows :

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| 1 st Prize: | Nigel North | £44.50 |
| 2 nd Prize: | Linda Mandall | £22.25 |
| 3 rd Prize: | Anne Mead | £13.35 |

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Linda Crawford

Do You Have An Idea That Will Benefit The Community?

East Herts Council welcomes applications for a grant of up to £300 at any time. Individuals or informal groups with an idea that could really make a difference to their community – especially to people who are vulnerable - are encouraged to apply alongside charities. We are looking for some creative projects that bring people together after Covid. Check eligibility and apply online at www.eastherts.gov.uk. Past projects include a community garden, photography exhibits, a dance project, PPE and sports equipment and improvements to a hall.

The next funding round for large grants opens mid October. Contact Claire on claire.pullen@eastherts.gov.uk if you want to discuss your idea. **We are especially interested in receiving applications to support individuals and communities who may have been disproportionately affected by the pandemic.** For example, we know the impact of Covid-19 on health outcomes shows disparities according to protected characteristics such as disability and ethnicity. We also know that 29% of local super output areas in East Herts are rural and while these areas are lovely green places to live, residents can often feel isolated and struggle to access services, transport and broadband.

Local good causes are also encouraged to register on the East Herts Community Benefit Lottery, <https://www.easthertslottery.co.uk/>. More than 120 charities and community and voluntary groups are already raising a steady monthly income by selling tickets from this platform. 50p of each ticket sold goes to good causes. Supporters have an opportunity to win up to £25,000!

Memorable September Dates

3rd September 301

San Marino, the oldest extant republic, was founded

4th September 476

The Western Roman Empire ended after almost 500 years when the emperor, Romulus Augustulus, was deposed

Friends of Tewin



As I'm writing this article, I'm surrounded by lists and notes which together make up our final plans for the Classic Car Show. However, by the time you receive your copy of the September edition, the show will be over for another year.

For those of you who went, I hope the sun shone and you had a lovely afternoon. After the challenges and restrictions we have all lived through, we worked even harder this year to give the village an afternoon to remember. Thank you so much for continuing to support us. On behalf of the Committee, I want to say thank you to everyone involved in the show. To the people who baked cakes for us, and there were lots of you, thank you. To everyone serving teas and cakes inside and outside the Pavilion and those who helped in the Information Tent, thank you. To all our wonderful Marshals, thank you. To the Loughrey family for the use of their field for the public car park, thank you.

An event like the car show takes many hours of planning and a lot of hard work. So, last but definitely not least, I want to thank the Friends of Tewin Committee for all their efforts in the weeks/months before the show.

In the October edition, I hope to tell you how much money we raised. Our Committee takes a well-earned rest for a couple of months, we hope to stage our next event in December.

Anne Hall – Chairman, Friends of Tewin

Memorable September Dates (Cont'd)

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As the summer draws to a close, those of us with school-aged children are frantically running around getting the last bits and pieces before sending them back to school for a new year. Hopefully though, we can all still enjoy a few lazy days in the September sun before the autumnal weather arrives. It has been a rather strange summer, 'release' from lock down; to wear or not to wear a mask; to get back to normality but keeping your distance; the sun; the rain; the heat wave; the torrential localised downpours; the Olympics; the being with friends and family; the isolating.... it makes my head spin! Yet, the staff at Danesbury & QVM hospitals have kept on top of it, working through it all supporting their patients and helping them to literally get back on their feet.

The gardens at Danesbury looked amazing over the summer. Thanks again to the Amwell Rotary who made a donation of several roses which have bloomed prolifically, adding much colour to the garden. The patients and staff really benefit from and enjoy the gardens so much. The Friends pay all year round for the gardener , who keeps both The QVM and Danesbury gardens looking beautiful in every season.

At the QVM hospital a refurbishment has started. Once completed the old Victorian building will meet current standards and the needs of our modern-day demands.

We are very happy to announce that our shop in Welwyn, High Street has been doing well under the circumstances. Sales are slowly starting to pick up and your donations are coming in at a steady pace and being gratefully received. However, at the time of writing this article the village has no post office. The loss of Barclays Bank and potentially the loss of a post office is very concerning to the village traders. Footfall in the village is low compared to pre-pandemic levels.

Thank you so much to all our supporters, customers, donators and our team of dedicated staff and volunteers. The Friends do so rely on your support. All profits made from our charity shop go straight to Danesbury and QVM hospitals. Additionally, if you do any online shopping, you can also support us by creating an account on Easy Fundraising supporting the Friends of Danesbury and Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital. Then whenever you shop online any retailers associated with Easy Fundraising (which is a majority of them) will donate a percentage of your spending to us. It's a safe and easy way to support us at no additional expense to yourselves! Please consider signing up.



Welwyn Garden City Urgent Care Centre

Welwyn Garden City's Urgent Care Centre (UCC) is to ***close overnight***, due to very low numbers of patients using its services at night for a number of years. This decline has been consistent, despite an increasing local population, suggesting that people are using the new alternative sources of help and support now available.

The ***new closing time will be 10pm***. Patients already in the UCC being treated, or waiting to be treated, at 10pm would continue to be cared for appropriately. The UCC will re-open at 8am every morning.

In making their unanimous decision, the Governing Body of the East and North Hertfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group, noted that:

- on average, less than one person per hour visits the UCC between 10pm and 8am
- the UCC has to be staffed by at least two highly skilled nurses at all times, for safety reasons
- these staff could be better used to care for more of the area's seriously unwell patients at the area's Emergency Department, at the Lister Hospital in Stevenage
- a wide range of alternative sources of health help and support are available overnight locally to people with an urgent need, including overnight GP appointments and mental health help. These services have been invested in and expanded in recent years.

The date from which the UCC will close overnight will be agreed with the Trust and publicised widely throughout the local area.

If you would like further information about the Bridge Cottage Surgery Patient Participation Group please email ppgbridgecottage@gmail.com.

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