

Twynning Bulletin



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Jubilee Celebrations



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Front cover - Twynning postbox - in jubilee style thanks to the WI, photo SDB

Editor's Introduction

Welcome to the June edition of the Twyning Bulletin. What a wonderful weekend we had for the Jubilee and it has been lovely to include so many updates and photos from the celebrations in this edition.

I am so glad to say that August sees the return of the Village Fete!! Full details can be found on all the activities and classes on pages 20-21 including the ever popular scarecrow and decorate your wheelie bin categories!

If you also have any news about clubs and activities you would like to share with the village in please do send it my way using the email address below. And for up to date news visit www.twyningvillage.co.uk

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Keeping in Touch with Your Village

Twyning Village Website www.twyningvillage.co.uk

All sorts of useful information on the village and its amenities - everything from councillors to footpaths.

Facebook

Twyning Community on Facebook is a great way to keep in touch with up-to-date information on events, get advice or share any security concerns. There are other village pages for selling, for photos and for many of the village organisations.

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Village Noticeboards

The Parish Council has noticeboards outside the shop, at Lynworth Lane, TRAC, Hillend, Church End, Stratford Bridge and Shuthonger. The Village Hall and church have their own too. There's also a noticeboard on the side of the school, and one in the shop which will display adverts for a small fee. ***Event organisers are encouraged to use the boards to reach village residents who aren't on Facebook!***

Parish Council

Twyning Parish Council meets on the second Monday of every month (excluding the August recess, and December) at Twyning Village Hall or occasionally at the Ann Townend Hall. Meetings commence at 7.30pm and members of the public are welcome to attend. Agendas are normally posted on Parish Council notice boards one week prior to the meeting. Minutes can be viewed on the village website and on the notice board outside Twyning shop.

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Chairman's Report

TWYNING PARISH ASSEMBLY 2022.

Welcome all to this Parish Assembly. Great to be able once more to meet face to face . Since our last report we have lost two more Councillors, both due to pressure of business. First Ray Edes and then Sarah Holden. Thank you Ray for long term of office, your constant contributions to meetings and service on our Green Committee. Thanks also to Sarah for her detailed service on the Minibus Committee and on the Village Hall Committee. We miss you both.

Following these resignations I am pleased to say we have co-opted Delta Ferguson and Alan Waldrop who have already settled in and are making excellent contributions to the wellbeing of the Village, supporting the Minibus, the Village Hall, the Emergency Committee to name but a few. We still have one vacancy on the Council and would like to hear from anyone interested in joining us using our power of co-option.

Many people and Organisations have given their all to get us through the Covid problems (although of course the problem still exists) to name a few (with profound apologies for any omissions) The Village Shop, our two Pubs, the Church, the Chapel. Our Borough and County Councillors, the Members of our Emergency Committee and of course you our Parishioners. Turning to Planning Matters and the "Siege of Twyning". Following the success with refusals by Tewkesbury Borough Planning Committee both the application for thirty homes for over 55's Opposite Cherry Orchard Lane and forty seven houses on Land North of Fleet Lane were allowed on appeal by Government Inspectors mainly due to the lack of Tewkesbury Borough's Housing Supply.

In the pipeline are several projects, the major ones being Fifty Houses at Hillend Road (also known as the Landslip and Nut Orchard), a large Distribution park at Brockridge Paddocks (close to the Cattle Grid and and the proposal to use Twyning for the Processing Plant (including a Cement making Plant) and access to the Sand and Gravel Extraction in Worcestershire.

Looking at the Hillend Road application in more detail. Due to an alleged oversight by TBC Planners this has gone straight to Appeal and TBC are in effect now Consultees The Tewkesbury Borough Tree Officer proposed a Tree Preservation Order be made to protect the Two Thousand Trees planted about ten years ago and gifted to the Village. Tewkesbury Borough Council confirmed the making of this order, in respect of which no appeal has been made. The Parish Council applied to Register the Site as an Asset of Community Value which gives at the right to be informed if the site is up for sale and the right to make a bid to purchase it . Tewkesbury Borough accepted the registration. However the Owners have applied for a Review a hearing has taken place and as I type this report I have received notification that the Reviewer has decided the site should continue to be included in the Authorities List of Assets of Community Value.

The Village first heard about the proposed site visit by members of TBC Planning Committee late on a Monday evening but due to excellent groundwork when the coach arrived at the site over One Hundred Villagers, many with dogs were waiting for them. Well done Twyning. We await the date for the hearing of the Appeal from the Planning Inspectorate. During our opposition to the Planning matters we have had support from interalia CPRE, volunteers distributing leaflets Stage Coach on rural congestion, Thank you all.

Moving on to a happier note. There has been real momentum with locally led sports clubs. On Kilmore Field we have seen:- Twyning Tigers with Fifty member aged between Three and Eleven who have played two matches already and practice nearly every Saturday morning not to mention the masses of Parents viewing A hardy grouping Rugby training every week. A positive increase in Tennis Club Members, with I understand improved success on Leagues. The opening up of the MUGA court and Court three.

I understand we expect to Welcome our first families from Ukraine shortly. We look forward to our well planned and advertised Jubilee celebrations and of course Twyning Fete on August Bank Holiday weekend. In conclusion I thank my Colleagues both past and present for all their knowledge, help and support while I have been Chairman. Also my thanks to our Clerk Gill Jennings for her guidance and expertise, to Dave Lockett for all he does for our Village to Bob Beetham for running the Footpath Gang and all those who support our Community , keeping themselves out of the headlights.

Best wishes to you all and Stay Safe,

Jeremy Horsfall, Chairman Twyning Parish Council 5th May 2022

PS. As at 27th June the owners of the Hillend (Nut Orchard) Site are appealing to the Tribunal against the decision to list the woodland as a community asset and are appealing to the Planning Inspectorate re non-determination of their planning application. The Parish Council will continue to represent the community objections and keep you informed.

Community Bus Trial

The trial community bus is once a week on a Wednesday and gives people a couple of hours in Tewkesbury. I have requested stops at Stratford Park, Twyning Manor and by Twyning Primary School. It collects at approximately 10.45am /11am (depending on your stop and other collections - you'll be given a time when you book), dropping people off near Boots, and returning from Tewkesbury at 1pm. It is a **book in advance only service** - you must ring up and book your seat by 12.30pm on the previous day (Tuesday). It works on a first come first served basis. There is a return charge of £4 for those with concessions (i.e. with a bus pass) and £8 without.

The number to call to book your seat is 01684 892 381 (9am-3.30pm Mon-Thursday, and 9am-12.30pm on Fridays). If Twyning would like a bus service, villagers will need to show evidence that they would use one, and this bus is a great way of doing this. For the trial to continue it needs supporting, so please make use of it. Cate Cody

Church Street Medical, Tewkesbury PPG

Church Street Medical, Tewkesbury PPG

The patient Participation Group or PPG is small group of patients from the Practice who act as a conduit of information from the Practice to the patient and also in reverse from the medical staff to the patients. In addition we support the Practice in practical ways, for example assisting at our Covid vaccination clinics, Carers events and carrying out surveys on patients needs.

Every Medical Practice is required by law to support a PPG. Unfortunately, for various reasons this is not always the case and in the view of many it is a significant loss for both patients and medical staff. All of us are volunteers. We meet as a committee at least 4 times per year in our case at our Practice venue, the Devereux Centre, Barton Street, Tewkesbury. We are supported by Kirsty White , practice manager Andy Butt, financial manager, and prior to Covid by usually two GP partners. At a recent meeting questions were raised by the committee to how the Practice was responding to the additional pressures created by Covid and the time taken to see a GP. It was explained to us that it was not always in the best interests of the patient to see a GP and that it was possibly better to be treated by another healthcare professional. This is known as Care Navigation.

When a patient telephones Church Street with a request to see a doctor, the caller is transferred to a member of the care navigation team, who will ask the patient a few brief questions who will then signpost them to the most appropriate service. The Care Navigators are specially trained but are not replacements for medical staff. Their aim is to ensure patients get the right care, from the correct medical professional at the right time.

GP Practices are not just doctors and nurses, but a Clinical Team. These include GPs, Advanced Nurse Practitioners, Practice Nurses, Healthcare Assistants, Phlebotomists, Pharmacists, First Contact Practitioners, Social Prescribers, Community Paramedics etc. So don't worry if you are directed to a healthcare professional who is not a GP, you will receive the right care for your particular medical problem. Although Church Street has over 13,000 patients you will receive the very best treatment and help possible.

Trevor Rawlinson chair Church Street Medical PPG

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations!

What a weekend! The Jubilee celebrations in Twynning were certainly something that will go down in village history. It was great to see such a sense of togetherness as we marked the historic event and, whether you were able to join us for the whole weekend or just part of it, we hope that you enjoyed it and will take away some great memories.

The planning started with an open meeting, from which a small committee formed, who then worked hard behind the scenes to produce the weekend as we knew it.

After the initial meeting, we had limited time to begin fundraising for donations and sponsorship that could support the plans we had mapped out. But everyone involved moved quickly, with PRH design developing the fantastic fliers that were distributed throughout the village in record time, thanks to Denise!

The small committee met weekly and tweaked things here and there in the run up to the events - the only thing we had no control over though was the weather and as the days drew nearer, the forecast suggested that it was going to be horrendous and a repeat of the jubilee festivities of 10 years ago!

However, luck seemed to be on our side and, although chilly at times, we managed to dodge the downpours - a little bit of rain wasn't going to stop us anyway!

The weekend kicked off with rounders on the green, which was a great success and has the promise of becoming an annual event, particularly now a trophy is in existence! It really did highlight some hidden competitiveness - well done to Peter Hadley for organising such a smooth operation.

Saturday saw the main events commence with fun by the river. Powered and non-powered vessels were joined by members of SARA and MVS, as they sailed past the Fleet. Prizes were awarded to the best dressed vessels and luckily the Pirates were kept under control!

Whilst this was ongoing, Tim (DB Pixelhire) worked tirelessly to set up the equipment for the broadcast of platinum party and people began to set up their camps for the evening.

Behind the backdrop of the marquee, adorned in the festive bunting that the WI had worked so hard to create, it really was a fantastic evening of live music, accompanied by some questionable dance moves from members of the audience!

As we left the green on Saturday evening, the heavens opened and we started to worry that Sunday would be a complete washout. But someone was definitely looking out for us, as the day remained dry across all the hours that we had plans!

The morning began with 80 parishioners joining together for a wonderful chapel and church service in the marquee. Then, just after midday, vintage cars started arriving along with some fantastic floats and fancy dress and so, the parade began. It was great to see so many people cheering and clapping as the vehicles did a couple of circuits of the green - the added musical accompaniment was a particular treat!

We were then entertained for 45 minutes by ISing choir, who gave a brilliant performance! To round off proceedings, we watched the youngsters take part in some traditional races outside the marquee - they were all a credit to their parents and there were lots of happy faces, when their medals to commemorate the Jubilee were given out.

As with all big events the support of many is needed and to thank everyone individually would be impossible for fear of missing someone out. A special shout-out must go to the other members of the Jubilee committee, who worked so hard all weekend to ensure everything ran smoothly.

The generosity of those of you who made personal donations and the support from local businesses and the Parish Council must also be highlighted, as this ensured we had the vital funds needed to provide all the complimentary fun and festivities. We have managed to just about break even and if there is any money left over, once final bills have been paid, it will be donated to the Ukraine appeal.

It really was a weekend of epic proportions and although the weather could have been better, it wouldn't have quite been a truly British affair without it! Whether you are a royalist or not, there is no doubting that the role that Her Majesty the Queen has played over the past 70 years, without ever faltering, was definitely worth celebrating and we'd like to thank all of Twyning for helping us to celebrate so fantastically.

Lorna Herold

Twyning Over 60s Lunch Club

The Lunch Club is continuing to serve meals on Fridays since the beginning of the year. A celebration meal for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee was held recently with a turkey meal followed by trifles made by Rowena Capper and a special cake which everyone enjoyed, together with a glass of wine.

The Minibus Committee have kindly continued with transporting members from Tewkesbury, outlying areas and the village. We are grateful to them for their continued help.

We would also like to thank all our volunteer and reserve cooks for their continued support. Also, those members who help to serve the meals and the team of helpers who set up tables early in the morning.

As usual we are always on the lookout for an extra helper or two for any of the above. If anyone has time free particularly early on a Friday morning or help with cooking please let me know - Judith Allen on 292123/07817984737

Twyning Parish Church & Twyning Chapel

The Parish Church of St Mary Magdalene

From Twyning Parish Church

As I write we have just finished celebrating the Platinum Jubilee in some style, as befits Her Majesty's service over 70 years. The flower arrangers put on a magnificent display in the Parish Church. The bells rang out from Twyning as they did across the country. And we joined the Chapel for a special celebratory Service on the Green. I thought the latter would be a wellies event' but the weather was kind to us. Thanks to all who contributed to this very special occasion.

Judging by the number of Christenings in my diary the birth rate in Twyning is healthy! It is a delight to celebrate with families in this way. As we record these events on the Baptismal Roll on the wall near the font the children receive not only a

blessing but become part of the history of this community. At a later date they love coming into the Church and looking for their name!

A Parish Church marks both the happy and sad times in our lives and recognises our place here and before God. You are obviously welcome to any of our Services, but at all times you are welcome to visit or join our special events. Sometimes your visit might be just to have space to enjoy peace and contemplation. Whatever brings you to the Parish Church, it is open every day volunteers unlock it in the morning and lock up in the evening. Our thanks to all who take on this simple but important task.

The best way just to know what is happening in your Parish Church is to join the circulation of our monthly newsletter. There is no subscription and definitely no visit from the vicar unless invited!. I try to keep the newsletter lively and definitely not too heavy on religion, not my style. If you want to join the over a hundred circulation list just send me an email at ronhesketh@gmail.com or if you prefer I can put a copy in the post.

Looking ahead there are cream teas in a local garden to support the Acorns Children's Hospice and a special exhibition of Wedding Flowers. These of course will be over by the time you read this so all the more reason to get our newsletter!!

Take care and God bless,

The Venerable Ron Hesketh CB Associate Priest at Twyning

Everyone is always welcome at all our services.

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Twyning Chapel

In the early parts of this year, Twyning Chapel continued to successfully run their Sunday services with a steady stream of regulars and a gradual incline in the numbers present as Covid became a distant memory.

I ran a few services in the early part of the year, with a specific children's message and on 6th February we had a visit from Steve Hutchinson who ran a fun and innovative children's church service, which led on to an exciting taster evening for a children's camping trip in the summer. The taster evening took place on 11th February and was very well attended. The children had the opportunity to try out some exciting craft activities such as fire writing. We also sang songs, had stories and a snack, and undertook bible wraps.

There were some lovely services over the Easter period, and a coffee morning on Good Friday where some of the Scouts had the opportunity to raise money for their Jamboree. We also held an egg hunt and activities around the Church in Church end, and people were able to come back to the chapel to claim their festive prizes. This was incredibly well attended over the holiday period and enjoyed by all.

We had our first family fun day for our Neurodiversity group during the Easter holidays. We run this group in collaboration with Tewkesbury Baptist Church, and while our coffee mornings take place at the chapel, we use their venue for the family days as there is more space. We had Easter crafts, a bouncy castle, sensory room, chill out zone for older children and teens, table tennis, pool, a baby and toddler corner, coffee shop and much more. It was highly successful and we are looking forward to our next one on 1st August. Our next Neuro diverse coffee morning runs at the chapel on Monday 20th June at 10 am and will be our last for the school year, so do pop along if you can. This facility will return in September.

Drama, creative writing, friendship group and Dinkies are all continuing to thrive at the chapel, and we have a few events happening from outside providers, such as a group for the local Ukrainian community, and activities run by the Devereux Centre. Over the Jubilee weekend we were fortunate enough to be able to collaborate with St Mary Magdalene church, to run a beautiful traditional service on the green. This was very well attended.

I very much look forward to working with them again when we collectively undertake our end of summer picnic which will take place on 1st September. More details about this and the other upcoming events will be available soon. Our family services take place at 10.30am at the Chapel on Sunday mornings. We also hold a Zoom prayer meeting at 7pm on Tuesday evenings which I can provide the details for if you wish. Alternatively you could contact me to request our newsletter where the details of such events will be sent out each Friday.

If you would like any information about our children's work, or about any of the above events, or in fact anything which is happening at the chapel in the coming months, please do not hesitate to contact me on emilyhastingsactingup@gmail.com and I will be happy to help.

Kind regards

Emily Hastings, Community Outreach Worker and Youth Coordinator, Twyning Chapel

Twyning Playgroup

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Playgroup has been a hive of activity this term. Emma has been doing a fabulous job revamping the environment and adding new ideas to the setting. Children have had a chance to engage in a range of creative play and activities. The new hollow wooden block set arrived and it's been an excellent purchase, they allow children to be creative, whilst enhancing their gross motor skills. "Loose-parts play" has also been revamped with children using blocks of wood and a variety of tools and materials to engage in creative thinking, whilst also enhancing their fine motor skills.

The children have been doing lots of cooking for Easter and the Jubilee Celebrations. They all take part in weighing, mixing, decorating and taking home their creations to enjoy. Twyning Park has been kind enough to continue hosting our Forest School sessions where we have been bug hunting, hill rolling and climbing the huge tree. Our Thursday afternoon group has started looking at fire lighting - We also pretended to be firefighters and used water to extinguish a painted fire.

National Superhero day saw staff and children dress up as our favourite heroes, from nurses to Spiderman we had a wonderful selection of superheroes in the village hall. We had a story about a superhero in our book and spoke about our emergency services being heroes and rescuing people in real life. Following this interest in real life heroes we can't wait to welcome our Fire Service for a visit later in the month.

We went for a walk to the farm to meet the baby lambs. Ted and Bill also paid us a visit. They were 3 week old Golden Guernsey goats. The children and staff were very excited and we all enjoyed learning about goats.

We are very lucky to have such a lovely friendly community with lots of lovely areas for the children to explore for walks and visits to the park.

We welcomed the parents to join us for a Jubilee tea party and enjoyed sandwiches and cakes. The children celebrated the Jubilee all week making pasta, jewellery, cakes, flags and dressing up in red white and blue to commemorate this historical event.

Next term we'll be busy with school visits, a summer trip to Cattle Country, Sports Day and a graduation celebration to celebrate the end of another busy yet great year.

The staff and committee would like to wish all of our Pre School children the best of luck as they start their new adventure at school.

From September Playgroup has full time spaces available for children from 2 - 5 years old. The setting is open Monday until 1pm and Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Thursday's until 3pm. If you would like any further information please visit our website or get in touch. We look forward to meeting you

www.twyningvillageplaygroup.com

1st Bredon Guides

Bredon Guides

Since the last Village Bulletin, Bredon Guides has settled back into our more normal routine of fun, games, skills builders and unit meeting activities. For those of you not familiar with the guides programme Skills Builders and Unit Meeting Activities are the organised activities that allow guides to work towards awards. They start in rainbows and run all the way through to rangers so it doesn't matter when a girl joins us!



As it is the summer term we are able to get outdoors and work on our Camping Skills Builder which includes tasks such as building campfires, inventing camp gadgets, creating waterproof bedding rolls (and testing them with lots of water!!) and outdoor cooking at Forest School. As well as kayaking at Croft Farm!



We held our own afternoon tea to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee when the girls made and then decorated their own cakes, and to mark Eurovision 2022 the girls imagined that Bredon was an entrant and created their own mini play to explain all the brilliant things that the village has including the marina and the fish and chip shop!

We have always welcomed girls from Twyning in our unit, so if you are interested just email bredonguides@gmail.com

Sarah and Jane

Twyning School

One of the best bits about being a governor at Twyning Primary School is going in to see the school in action during the school day. Despite being a governor for over 2 years, many months of lockdown have meant that this January was my first opportunity to get a real taste of life at the school. My day was so brilliant that I feel compelled to share just a few snippets.

The smiley happy faces of the children were overwhelming and this sums up what a great job the staff are doing in creating such a hugely positive learning environment.

The Teachers and Teaching Assistants are doing a fabulous job working with the children in class, playtimes and running after school clubs. Staff have also revamped and redecorated the library, creating amazing sculptures and art work to make a magical reading experience for the children. During my visit, I saw our staff and children achieving some great things:

Mrs Barbour's ability to teach phonics and wipe the odd reception child nose at the same time; Miss Ray's enthusiasm and knowledge of Brunel (It sounds like she could pretty much be a tour guide if she wanted to change professions); Mrs Bodycombe encouraging pupils at such different levels all to achieve at the same time; Mrs Palmer staying behind after hours to help the Year 1 pupils in Rabbits Class; Mrs Halling and Mrs Hatch arguing over who was going to help Vi in the kitchen serving apple crumble! It was also great to hear Mrs Bowen's plans to have extra seats in the office so when she takes over as the school administrator, she can continue to work with the children; Miss Aston and Mrs Mulligan running intervention sessions to help our students catch up over after the last two years; Andrew Parry-Jones (one of our long serving governors) coming in to hear readers; Mrs Tingle trying to balance annual budgets whilst putting up with me crashing through her office to grab a cup of tea; Mr Davies mucking in with various bits of first aid needed for the bumps and scratches picked up during break time.

I'm sure the advice is not to name individuals and I've probably made the mistake of missing some people out but if I have that's only because There is so much going on in such a small school it's impossible to catch it all in one day. Every single thing I saw made me proud to be on the board of governors. I feel very lucky to have my children at such an amazing school.

It would be amiss of me at this point not to take this final public opportunity to say a massive thankyou and goodbye to Mrs Hatch who left us at Easter and moves on to retirement. Having been such an important part of what makes Twyning Primary the family I saw on my day in school she will be greatly missed.

I look forward to many more visits in the future. Thank you to all the staff for making me so welcome and for all of their hard work which the children of our village benefit so much from.

Jamie Bartlam (Governor)

TRAC

In April, TRAC held its Annual General Meeting and the committee for the next year was elected, along with myself as the new Chair of the committee. For those that don't know me, my name is Ian O'Hanlon, I've lived in the village for 4 years in Brockeridge Paddocks. I joined the committee last year and offered to stand as Chair this time round.

The last couple of years have been a challenging time for our community and the government guidelines we've all had to follow have restricted the opening of the site and limited our opportunities to improve and develop the facilities.

However, with summer around the corner (hopefully) and the restrictions largely removed, we are pleased that we can re-focus our efforts on promoting the facilities that TRAC has to offer and improve the site for our village to enjoy.

We are pleased to be able to open our MUGA (all weather) sports court and tennis court (Court 3) for free open access. They are still bookable for teams and large groups, but for casual users you are now able to just turn up and play if they've not been booked.

There are a range of sports played regularly throughout the week, that are always looking for more people to come and get involved, ability is no barrier. Netball on Mondays, Veterans Five-a-Side on Tuesdays, Touch Rugby on Thursdays, Twyning Tigers Football on Saturdays and Tennis most nights of the week! If you'd like more details of any of these please see the list of contacts on the notice board at TRAC or email me on tractwyning@gmail.com.

Our focus for the next couple of months will be on two key events for the village, The Jubilee Celebrations and the Village Fete...Yes!, the Fete is back. TRAC is leading the effort for both of these events and they'll go a long way to bringing our community, families and friends back together, so please support them and support our excellent team of volunteers, who're working hard behind the scenes, where you can.

Finally, I am keen to hear from anyone who has ideas about how we can improve the TRAC site, no matter how small or ambitious the idea. If you're interested in starting a team (especially basketball), booking a court or want to get involved in any way please drop me a line on tractwyning@gmail.com.

Many thanks

Ian O'Hanlon

Chair of TRAC

Twyning Players

As I write this piece, we have just come to the end of our latest production: Last Tango and Lockdown in Little Grimley. It's been a while since we performed two one-act plays and both of these had the same four characters, making it quite a task for our actors Phil, Hazel, Nigel and Georgina. However, we do know that they and director Mark Shaw had a terrific time putting it together. If you were in the audience, we sincerely hope that you had a terrific time too. Those of us in Twyning Players could relate strongly to the dilemmas of the Little Grimley Amateur Dramatic Society and it certainly seemed on the night when I was there that the audience clearly did too. A long time since we have had quite so much laughter in the village hall.

May we make it absolutely clear that all the Little Grimley characters are fictional and any resemblance to anyone in Twyning is purely coincidental!

A bit of a break now for Players although this year we will be able to resume and enjoy our programme of social events. Rehearsals for this year's pantomime will begin in early September. If you would like to come and join us on stage or behind the scenes, we welcome new members and would love to talk to you. Contact any Twyning Player or give me a call.

Carol Chapman, Secretary
01684 293527, mail@cchapman.co.uk

Twyning Village Hall

Twyning Village Hall is run by a management committee consisting of Trustees (to the charity) and representatives from user groups. We meet one evening a month for a meeting that lasts about an hour.

We have a vacancy for a Trustee - a role which encompasses understanding how the charity functions and operates and manages its financial affairs. The committee is a democratic organisation and all members are involved in decision making. The role is not onerous but it is essential to good governance that the right balance of Trustees is maintained.

We also have a vacancy for a Booking Clerk. This is an essential role that ensures the day to day activities and private bookings are managed in an efficient manner. To do this we are in the process of adopting a software package called Hallmaster which not only manages the bookings, but also provides the facility to issue invoices. We need a person who is IT literate, numerate, has a working knowledge of Excel and a couple of free hours a week.

I should emphasise that the Hall cannot operate without a Booking Clerk, so it is important to the community that this role is filled by September 2022. Failure to fill this post will have serious consequences for the continued use of the hall.

Anyone who would consider taking up either of these roles is invited to contact the Chairman, Dave Lockett on 297565 for more information.

Twyning Scouts

2nd Twyning Scout Group - Ian Palmer - theianpalmer@gmail.com

Young people in all sections of the group enjoyed an active Spring term and are looking forward to an equally exciting summer term. We have been very fortunate to extend the Beaver section leader team with new section assistants Andrew and Marisa - welcome.

Unfortunately we continue to struggle with the Scout section leadership team due to business commitments of leader team members. Whilst we have managed to establish a rota system between all non scout section leaders to help cover the summer term, and to secure some further parental administration support (thanks Elaine), this model is a short term measure as it is unfair on leaders who already have commitments to their own sections.

We urgently need further adult leaders for the Scout Section for existing Scouts, and Cubs about to become Scouts, to be able to continue their Scouting experience in the autumn term. Please contact myself and/or Dan if you or any one you know would like to join the leader team.

Beavers - Age 6 to 7 (Thursday) - Anne Green thefamilygreens@btinternet.com

We started the term making lego and junk models .the beavers ran games evening and managed to not choose the ones. After half term we completed the Navigators 1 badge and beavers drew some interesting maps of the village - the River Avon varies a lot in width!

Our annual easter egg hunt was enjoyed in the wood near Paxhill and Beavers were delighted to hear that the trees had been given a permanent tree preservation order and that their posters and messages to councillors had helped the decision as well as earning their community impact badge

We had a sleepover at school for the older beavers and Sam Alex Zane and Livvy were able to complete all their challenge badges and be awarded their chief scout award. Congratulations as it has been harder than normal due to covid restriction. We welcome Marisa and Andrew as new leaders. Tom Sam and Cleo move up to cubs

Beavers is currently full but If your child is 4 and at school and you wish their name to be added to waiting list please contact Anne green Beaver scout leader thefamilygreens@btinternet.com

Cubs - Age 8 to 10 (Thursday) - Julie Catchpole - jdcatchpole@yahoo.com

This term saw four of our Cubs achieve their Silver Chief Scout Awards, the highest award in Cubs, before moving up to Scouts. They have all excelled in achieving their badges targets and attending overnight stays away. The Winter camp in February was the first time we have joined up with the Scouts, which led to some amazing caving and outdoor activities. More recently we had a Cubs Camp away at Cranham before Easter, involving archery, rifle

shooting, hiking and den building in the woods.

All volunteering leaders and parents involved in the night's away activities are very much appreciated as camps simply would not happen without their support. Special thanks to Elaine and the Leader Team in Cubs and to the Scout Leaders.

Later in the summer the Cubs have a chance to attend the Evolution Camp in Cirencester. This will involve teamwork as they are being set challenges at bases they go around throughout the weekend.

The VI Pub very kindly allowed the Cubs a very fun night playing Skittles, which we try and do every year. Thanks to Paul for explaining the scoring and Rules! This term we are learning about Road Safety and doing lots of outdoor activities such as Athletics and games on the Green for the Queens Jubilee. We are pleased to have Cleo, Sam and Tom join us from Beavers as they continue their Scouting journey in Twynning.

Scouts Age 10 - 14 (Thursday) - Dan Orchard - dan@twynning.net

Since the last bulletin entry, the Scouts managed to complete their postponed winter camp event, joining the Explorers for an activity filled weekend involving, caving, climbing, walking in the Brecon Beacons, and a visit to Big Pit coal mine. The caving was particularly exhilarating, for both young people and leaders alike, with challenges for all abilities, followed by a hearty meal prepared by Elaine, and a campfire and some star gazing.

As we broke up for Easter, the Scout section was presented with a challenge. Ben, who had taken the leadership role for the Thursday evenings, after Dan took an extended work contract in Cumbria, had to step back due to the combined pressures of a new job and other volunteering roles and charity work.

Our thanks go out to Ben, who will continue to support events, as and when he can. On top of this, our young leaders, Lilia and Tom have also had to step back for the term to concentrate on schoolwork and exams. To continue Scouts in the Summer term, a joint leadership team and programme was put together, with existing leaders from the other sections in the village, together with support from some of the Scout parents, running Scouts on a rota basis. If there is anyone who would be interested in becoming a leader, or just using their skillset to provide an evening activity, you will be made very welcome, just get in contact.

After 2 years off due to Covid restrictions, Evolution, the big adventure and challenge packed weekend event for Scouts, held in Cirencester Park estate, is back on and Twynning Scouts will be taking part, and competing for the trophy. Other activities this term will include climbing, canoeing, target shooting, archery, cooking and first aid.

Explorer Scouts



February saw the young people actually complete their planned winter activity camp, based at an outdoor activity centre in the Brecon Beacons. As well as rock climbing, and hill walking up onto the Pen y Fan horseshoe, the Explorers spent a day caving in the extensive systems to be found in that area. The various challenges within the caves really pushed some of us to the limits of our comfort zone, but a huge sense of achievement, at the same time. Meanwhile, back at the Activity Centre, the Explorers cooked an impressive 3 course meal, and all dressed up in their 'glad rags'



Other activities since the last bulletin have included Wide Games around Twyning, a night walk on Cleeve Hill, First Aid and Jubilee-themed cooking. This term we have welcomed new members, including 4 who have moved up from Twyning Scouts, and also said "goodbye" to 3 of our Explorers who have just turned 18.

Dan Orchard, Explorer Scout Leader,

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Village Fete

August Bank Holiday Weekend

On Sunday 28th August the Church and Chapel will be holding their service in the Marquee from 10.00am and on the Green we will see the return of the Twynning Motor Show where Classic Cars and Bikes will be on display. Why not come and join us for breakfast and enjoy a delicious bacon bap whilst looking at the vehicles?

Then on Bank Holiday Monday 29th August 2022 from 1- 4pm, after a three year gap the village fete is BACK!

A whole array of entertainment is planned for the afternoon, so why not come early - enjoy a BBQ lunch and afternoon tea or something stronger at the bar amid a host of stalls, sideshows and arena events. Not forgetting the chance to grab a bargain at our popular Car Boot Sale- or using it as a chance to have a good clear out yourself.

This year we are giving our furry friends a chance to put their best paw forward with our first ever Dog Show and of course we will also have our ever popular, Tug of War and Egg Throwing.

In the Marquee, along with the refreshments, we shall have our competition entries on display. They provide a real focal point for visitors to the fete to enjoy and there are plenty of categories to choose from, so hopefully something will catch your eye. Entry forms will be available from the Village Shop.

We would also love to see many households supporting us by entering the Scarecrow and Wheelie Bin competitions - these have increased in popularity over the years and many families enjoy talking a stroll around the village after the fete, to see how crafty and creative villagers have been- so please do get involved.

Raffle tickets will be on sale in the run up to the fete and on the day, so don't miss out as there are always many fantastic prizes to be won.

If you would like to hold a stall at the fete, please contact us and let us know your ideas so that we can avoid double ups and allocate an area for you. The fete is a great opportunity for you to raise funds for your cause; all we ask is that 10% of your takings are given to TRAC, as the fete organisers, and all money raised will go towards maintaining the excellent sports and play area facilities that we are lucky to have in Twynning.

Finally, if you would like to get more involved in the run up to the fete or you can spare an hour or two to help out on the day, we would love to hear from you. Many hands make light work!

COMPETITION CATEGORIES:

Children (under 6 years)

- Painted stone or pebble
- Vegetable figure
- Fruit or vegetable print picture

Children (6-12 years)

- Tray garden - to include a water feature
- Most original upcycled item
- Wellie boot flower arrangement

Teenagers

- Celebration cake - (birthday, wedding, christening etc) judged predominately for decoration - but cake will also be tasted
- Promoting plastic waste reduction - judged for most innovative, impactful ideas

OPEN CLASSES

- Baking
 - a) Homemade jam
 - b) Homemade chutney
 - c) 1lb sweet or savoury bread loaf
 - d) Vegan cake
 - e) Homemade Cheesecake
 - f) Cake with 'a surprise'
- Homemade crafting
 - a) Knitting or crochet item
 - b) Paper craft item
 - c) Homemade jewellery item
- Homegrown fruit and vegetables
 - a) Pair of cucumbers
 - b) Dish of 5 tomatoes
 - c) Trug or basket containing varieties of 4 fruit or vegetables
- Photography - set and judged by Jack Boskett
 - a) Transport - rail, air or water
 - b) Lockdown
 - c) Landscape
 - d) Wildlife

All photographs to be printed on A4, mounted on card. Presentation will be considered during judging.

- Special floral arrangement - set and judged by Hans Haverkamp

"Five a day" - A floral design incorporating your five a day!

Maximum space 50x50 cm, height optional. Challenge Cup awarded to 1st place.

SPECIAL CLASSES - entries welcome from families, groups and businesses

- WHEELIE BIN ART- make the dustmen smile! Theme: "On the move"
- SCARECROWS

"Events of 2022" Including, but not limited to: Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Commonwealth Games, Football World Cup, Rugby Six Nations, Glastonbury, Winter Olympics, London Marathon, Eurovision!

Any enquiries please contact Lorna Herold 294292

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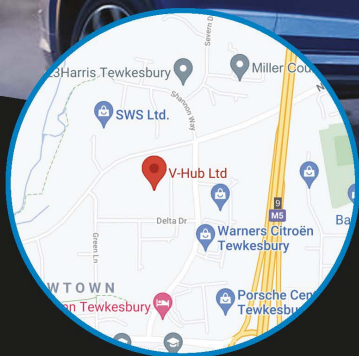
Old School House

The Old School House, circa 1890. Thank you to Mike Tomkins for the photo. Do you have photos or memories of Twyning which you would like to share in the Bulletin and on the village website? Send them to editor@twyningcouncil.co.uk

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