

We offer our very best wishes to Gladys and Charles Tuckwell who celebrated their diamond wedding on June 5th. They were delighted to receive a congratulatory telegram from Her Majesty the Queen to mark the occasion.

They were actually born in the same road in Walthamstow, although Gladys's family subsequently moved away. A mutual acquaintance introduced Charles to Gladys when she was 17 as a possible tennis partner, and he has partnered her ever since.

Most of their lives were spent in Essex where their two children Mary and John were born. They moved to Shipton eight years ago to be nearer to Mary and her husband Trevor, the proprietors of the Shaven Crown. They take an active part in village activities, where they are much valued and appreciated.

Gladys and Charles celebrated with a party at the Shaven Crown with 50 members of the family. One of their bridesmaids and ten of the guests from their wedding also came. They have five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

I think Gladys should have the last word "We feel privileged to have been able to enjoy each other's company for so many years".