

Jordans Village
Community Newsletter

April 2019

Edited by Chris Jenkins, JVL Estate Manager



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Welcome to the April 2019 issue of the Jordans Village Community Newsletter!

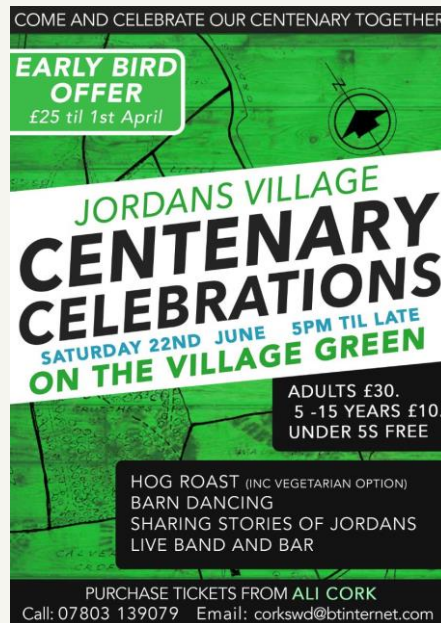
This month, we've got some really exciting news about a new project being launched next month, Our Living Village. This project is aimed at preserving and documenting the many different facets of village life past, present, and future, and is fully endorsed by JVL.

We'll support this fascinating project by sharing information from our archives, which we hope will create an amazing legacy in our Centenary year. If you wish to get involved, come along to the launch at 8 pm on 1st May at the Village Hall to find out more.

Speaking of the Centenary, look out for a special Centenary Newsletter later in April with lots more details on all the events being planned! Hope you enjoy it!

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Jordans Centenary News

Jordans Centenary Celebrations - Saturday 22nd June 2019 from 5 pm 'til late

About the event: A party in a marquee on the Village Green to include a hog roast with a vegetarian option, a barn dance for all the family and a band for dancing playing late into the night.

Also, a separate smaller marquee with blown up photographs of Jordans through the ages, small tables and chairs and tea! A perfect space for talking about times gone by.

The enthusiasm for this event has been just fantastic! Get your tickets ASAP before all are sold.

Further details of what is planned and the timings to appear in a special 'Centenary News' out in the middle of this month.

How to Buy Tickets

It is a ticketed event so don't miss out and get yours now.

Adults - £30

Aged 5 to 15 - £10

Under 5 - free

If paying by bank transfer the details are:

Account Name: Jordans Centenary 2019

Sort Code: 30-98-97

Account number: 62516960

Cheques payable to -

Jordans Centenary 2019

All requests to me Ali Cork

e-mail - corkswd@btinternet.com

phone. - 07803139079

I am happy to deliver paid for tickets from the 10th March.

Centenary Events Calendar

18th May WWI & WWII themed evening of Song - Village Hall

8th June Summer Fair - Village Green

22nd June Centenary Celebration Weekend - Marquee on Village Green

23rd June Centenary Concert - Quaker Meeting House

7th July Music on the Green - Village Green

28th July Village Cricket Match - Village Green

15th September Flower & Produce Show - Village Hall

28th September Open House - (daytime)

28th September Jordans Then & Now - (evening)

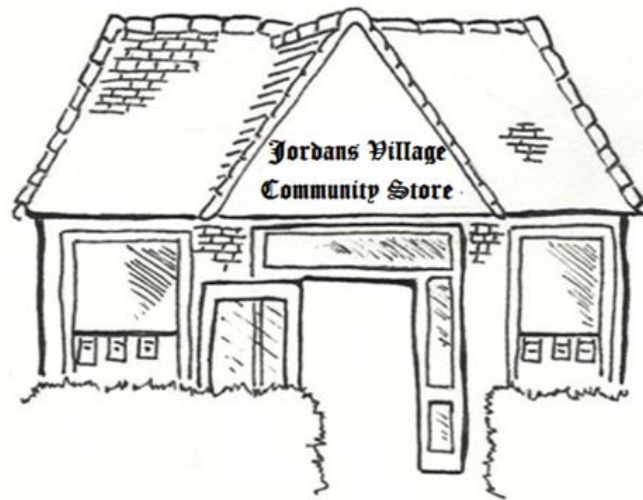
20th November Jordans Players Supper & Song - Village Hall

Spring 2020 New Time Capsule

Ali Cork

Jordans Centenary Committee

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Jordans Village Centenary 1919-2019

News from the Village Store

Fresh food from sustainable sources

Everyone should care about where their food comes from and how it is packaged, so we thought we'd explain a little about three types of staple foods we stock and where they're sourced from.

Bread - baked for us on site at local bakeries in Chalfont St Giles and Little Chalfont - yes even on Sundays!

Milk - a local dairy bringing milk down from a herd in Staffordshire. An excellent price for a dairy with a direct connection with a farmer.

Vegetables - brought from the market to us via Blackwells - now under new ownership with a very enthusiastic female owner at the helm. She prides herself on locating the freshest fruit and vegetables and not covering them in plastic! Yes more expensive than supermarkets, but well worth it.

The more you buy the more is brought in and this could easily happen on a daily basis.

DON'T PASS THE SHOP BY - go in and as a result feed yourself and your families with the freshest produce available.

About the Village Store

Jordans Village Community Store, founded in 1922, is an independent community store, owned, operated and controlled by the Village. It is run by a combination of part-time staff

and volunteers from the local community.

It started in a very small way in the front room of one of the early workers' cottages by the Village Green. In 1921, the brick building, now used as the Estate Office, was erected and a proper store opened.

The store is now a general grocers, with green groceries, an off-licence, a sub post office and café. It caters for online orders, and home delivery. The Store also serves as a natural meeting place for many of those living around the village, so why not come in and receive a warm welcome from our friendly staff and team of over 60 Village Store volunteers who are all eager to help you.

Ali Cork

News Editor, Jordans Village Community Store Committee

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Our Living Village

A Seer Green & Jordans Society Project in Partnership with the Chiltern Society

The histories of the two villages of Seer Green and Jordans are very different, yet both histories are equally fascinating – as demonstrated by the current centenary celebrations in Jordans, the local history booklets that have been produced periodically for each villager, and the rich collection of memorabilia that the Seer Green & Jordans Society has collected over the years.

But with the passing of time and the fading of memories such information can easily be lost to future generations, so the question is how can we capture and retain our village histories

in a form which is exciting, enduring and readily accessible? And how can such information be maintained and updated, since our history is not just what happened centuries ago – it's what happened yesterday, is happening today, and will happen tomorrow.

That's why we're partnering with the Chiltern Society on an exciting new initiative – we're launching a community project to pull together the diverse strands of our village histories into a comprehensive, computer-based history of the two villages. This project will allow us to combine our wonderful historical maps – such as the illustrated 1753 Godolphin map of Seer Green (above), or the 1579 Saxton Map (below) – with information on the patterns and growth of the village populations. We'll then use these as a basis for illustrating the various rich themes of village life – from religion, education and employment to our local flora and fauna, from sport and leisure activities to music, drama, literature and the arts. And really just wherever our interests and our imaginations take us – from village families, to woodlands, to wartime, to geology, topography and archaeology.

We're currently putting together a project team to computerise the village maps and population data, while at the same time inviting contributions from groups and individuals who can provide information on any of the many strands of village life mentioned above. So we're looking to involve the schools, the churches, the clubs, the pubs, and everyone else who values and cherishes our wonderful two villages.

We're also planning to incorporate information from other sources, such as the national geological maps and details of all the archaeological treasure found in this area. And right at the leading edge of technology, we've been invited to incorporate LiDAR data from the aerial survey that's currently being carried out across the Chilterns. This data will provide us with remarkable new insights into our local landscape, even allowing us to see through woodlands to see every feature hidden within them.

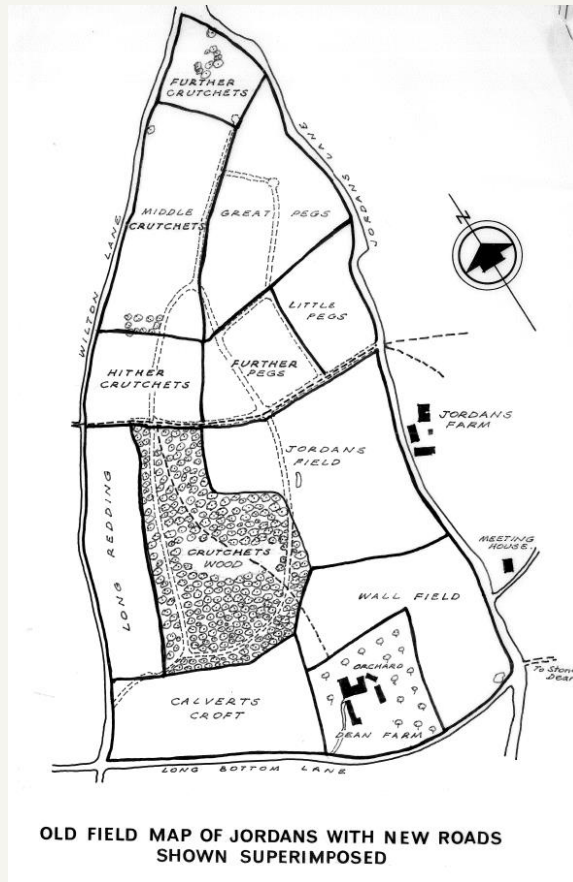
At the end of this two-year project we'll hand over this rich, deep history of our communities to the appropriate village organisations, to be maintained and developed as an enduring and living history of our two villages. So this project offers you a wonderful opportunity to participate in the creation of something totally unique and very special for current and future generations of Seer Green and Jordans.

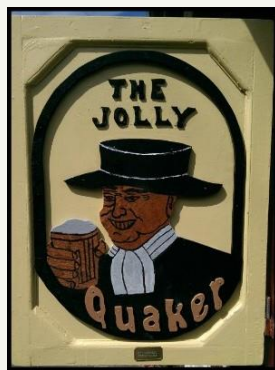
We'll be launching this project in Seer Green on 30th April at the Baptist Church and **in Jordans on 1st May at the Jordans Village Hall** – both meetings starting at 8.00pm. If you'd like to know more about the project and are interested in getting involved in any way, please do join us at one of these meetings – or if you really can't wait, please feel free to contact me. It would be great to have you involved!

Alan Kell

Project Manager, alan.kell@igsystems.co.uk

Seer Green & Jordans Society/Chiltern Society





The Jolly Quaker

Our very own popup pub will be open again in the Village Hall this coming Friday, 5th April from 7pm - 11pm for drinks, friendly chat and (hopefully) some great music from our visiting pianists Alec and/or Richard.

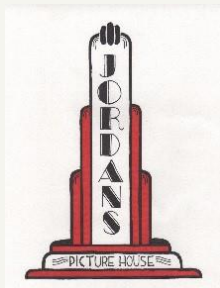
We'll have three Rebellion draught beers and a variety of wines, spirits, soft drinks and some nibbles.

There'll be an extra hour of daylight in the evening so (weather permitting!) we might even be drinking "al fresco".

Do come and join us!

Cheers!

Chris Waymouth, Publican



Jordans Picture House

COMING THIS MONTH...TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE!

www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk



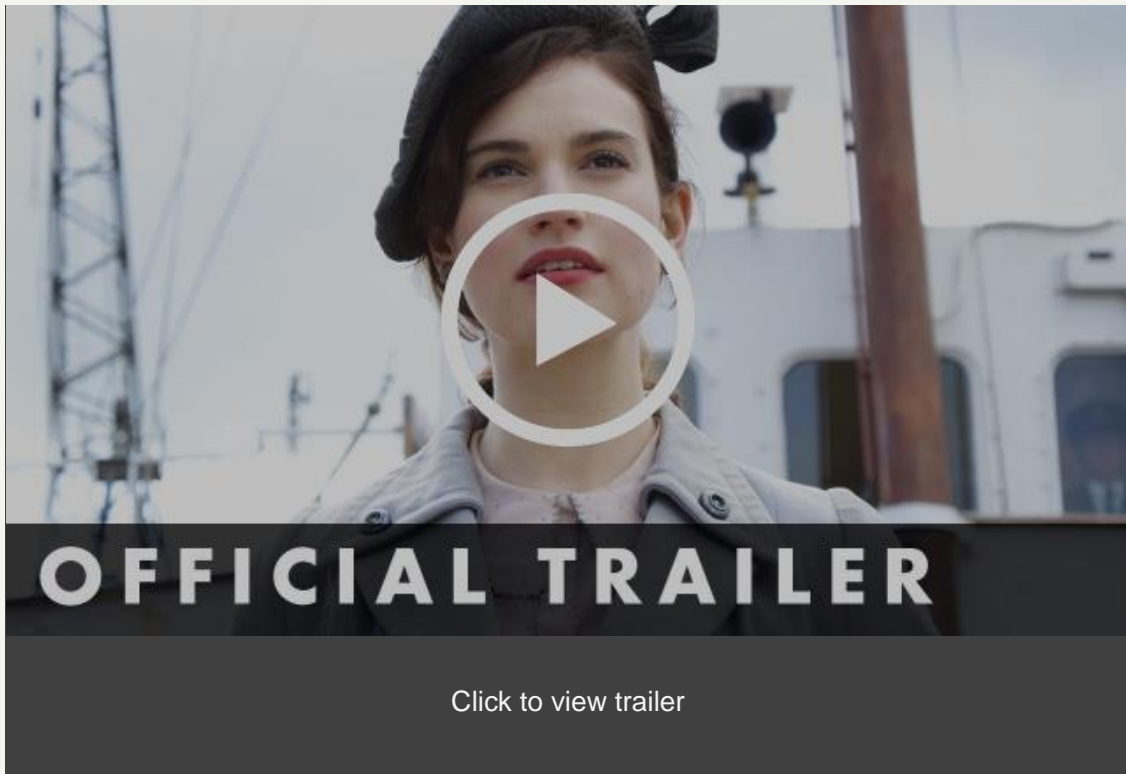
Friday, 12th April: 'THREE BILLBOARDS OUTSIDE EBBING, MISSOURI' (2017) 15

Multi-award-winning film with a tally of four Oscars and five BAFTAs including Best Film and Outstanding British Film. Hard hitting and heart-breaking story of a desperate mother's mission to seek justice for her daughter's unsolved murder. Contains frequent very strong language.



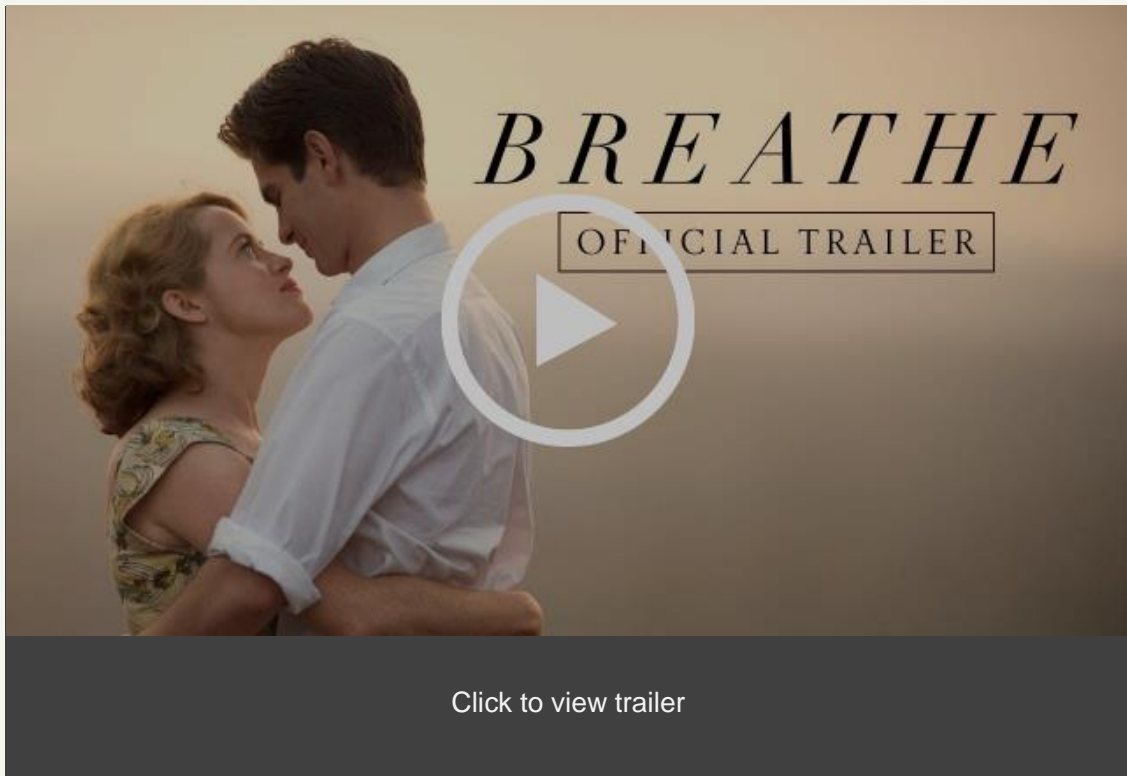
**Friday, 10th May: 'THE GUERNSEY LITERARY and POTATO PEEL SOCIETY'
(2018) 12A**

In the aftermath of WWII, a writer forms an unexpected bond with the residents of Guernsey when she decides to write a book about their experiences. The cast includes Lily James and Tom Courtney.



Sunday, 12th May: 'BREATHE' (2017) 12A

The inspiring true love story of Robin and Diana Cavendish, an adventurous couple who refuse to give up in the face of a devastating disease. Their heart-warming celebration of human possibility marks the directorial debut of the remarkable Andy Serkis. The top cast includes Claire Foy, Andrew Garfield and Hugh Bonneville.



Programme from April to June 2019

Friday 12th April: Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri (15)

Friday 10th May: The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society (12A)

Sunday 12th May: Breathe (12A)

Friday 14th June: Jordans Picture House A.G.M. + Film T.B.A.

Friday Screenings - Doors Open at 7:15 pm / Programme Starts at 8:00 pm

Sunday Screenings - Doors Open at 3:15 pm / Programme Starts at 4:00 pm

HOW TO BUY TICKETS (cost £8)

Online: at www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk with no booking fee!

Jordans Box Office: Alan Sealy alan@janetsealypartnership.com 01494 873205 Lorraine

Bristow lorraine.bristow@mybluelawn.com 07500 832880

Sustainability and Population

A talk by Population Matters,
the charity promoting gender equality worldwide.

Why empowering women matters and how this contributes to
sustainable families and a sustainable future.



- Included:** Presentation by population specialist Len Mann, followed by discussion.
Short, award-winning video.
Stand/display with information about population issues.
Refreshments (tea, coffee, squash, biscuits).
Free entry, but donations welcome to cover costs.
- Time:** **Wednesday 24th April, 7-9pm.** Presentation starts 7.30
- Venue:** **Jordans Quaker Centre, Welders Lane, Jordans,
Beaconsfield, Bucks, HP9 2SN**
- Parking:** Free onsite parking. More free parking along Jordans Lane.
- More info:** highwycombegroup@populationmatters.org

Charity ref. 1114109

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Experiment with Light Workshop



The
"Experiment
with Light"
is a Quaker
meditation
based on the
practice of
early
Quakers.

All are welcome to attend the workshop and try this for themselves. It can be searching and powerful - the start of many discoveries

Jordans Quaker Centre

To Book please contact
01494 876 594

or email

office@jordansquakercentre.org

Workshop leaders:

*Susie Tombs, Jenny Chantler &
Caroline Pakel*

*For more information on the
Experiment with Light, visit
www.experiment-with-light.org.uk*

Saturday,
18 May
10am to 4pm

Registration
& Coffee from
09:30

Bring & Share
Lunch

Contribution
£15

[Experiment with Light Workshop](#)

Saturday, 18 May, 10 am to 4 pm

A Quaker Meditation workshop day. Open to all who would like to try for themselves this meditation, based on the practice of early Quakers. It can be searching and powerful – the start of many discoveries.

Enquiries: office@jordansquakercentre.org or telephone 01494 876 594



Paws for Thought

Always bag it and bin it, even if no one is watching!

Here in Jordans when it comes to popping out with the dog we are very lucky because we have Crutches Wood and Chalky Field as close and convenient places to walk. There is also the village green where people throw balls for their dog. However, whereas the majority of dog owners do behave in a responsible manner and pick up, it is still evident that not all dog owners are picking up. ***Picking up after your dog is important and is part of responsible ownership.*** There is a dog waste bin on Beech Lane opposite the gate to Chalky Field, and one on Green North Road. If you are not near to a dog bin double wrap using two bags and place in a normal litter bin.

There is no reason not to bag it and bin it. Most councils require dog owners and walkers to carry two disposable bags per dog but three per dog is advisable in my experience. (Ed: There is an emergency supply of bags on back of the Estate Office if you are caught short!) When walking a dog a constant eye should be kept on their actions so they can be kept under control. Talking on mobiles or to a friend whilst walking briskly could mean that you don't notice when your dog is making a deposit or eating something that may harm it, like part of a cow pat, which may contain harmful bacteria.

Apart from the nasty bacteria that dog poo may contain it is not pleasant to encounter it littered around the place. The two lovely black and white cows that graze in Chalky Field are not there to produce calves or milk, but it isn't very pleasant to think of them grazing in

a field that is littered with dog faeces. Cows that produce milk or still calve can contract Neosporosis through a parasite that is transmitted through dog poo and can cause them to abort. A gram of dog faeces contains 23 million faecal bacteria such as Salmonellosis and E. coli and numerable others. However, not every dog's poo contains the same type of bacteria or parasites, but it does contain more than any other type of waste.

In Crutches Wood deposits are still to be found on the paths. In addition to this walkers tend to kick leaves over their dog's poo rather than pick it up. But it is a misconception that dog poo is a natural fertilizer, it is not, and it can take up to a year to naturally breakdown leaving parasites in the soil. In addition to this some dogs have the nasty habit of eating the poo of other dogs. So the less opportunity they have to do this the better, as they run the risk of becoming ill.

Finally, it really does seem a shame that the parents of young children living in Jordans feel they can no longer take them into Chalky Field to sit in the grass or play, because there is so much dog poo everywhere. Since the field is rented out by JV to Dean Farm, whose cows graze there, one expects to encounter cow pats, but not large amounts of dog poo. So please be a responsible dog owner and pick up after your dog and respect our local environment.

Jo Bell

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Red Nose Day at Jordans Village School!

We had a wonderful time raising money for this amazing cause last Friday. The children certainly managed to 'Make The Staff Laugh' with their brilliant jokes, which they performed in front of the whole school. The winning jokes are written below!

Deer Class:

What did the traffic light say to the car?

Don't watch me, I'm changing! (Will)

Why was the broom late for school?

Because he overswept! (Lola)

Owl Class:

Why did the chicken cross the road?

Because he wanted to go to the mooooooooooon! (Lewis)

Why do giraffes have long necks?

Because they've got stinky feet! (Olivia)

Fox Class:

What did the ocean say to the pirate?

Nothing, it just waved! (Harris)

Why shouldn't you give Elsa a balloon?

Because she will just 'Let it Go'!

Lots of children designed brilliant Red Noses - well done to all of the participants. The School Council and teachers found it very tricky to make their final decisions! Here are the winning entries!

We all enjoyed our Dance-a-thon! We even had a conga line in the hall and outside! Everyone looked fantastic in their red outfits and we had huge smiles on our faces whilst we showed off our best dance moves.

The teachers also took part in the fun, making chocolate brownies to be sold after school. Our lovely neighbour, Norma, came to judge and decided that Mrs Banks' brownies were Simply The Best. Congratulations to our very own Star Baker!

All in all, **we managed to raise a magnificent total of £416.11!** Thank you all so much for taking part and supporting this important event. Mrs Stephenson and the School Council, Oli, Phoebe, Jude, Elvie, Elliot and Flo.

Mrs. Holly Swain

Headteacher, Jordans School

Puers Lane, Jordans, Beaconsfield, Bucks, HP9 2TE

01494 874217 | office@jordans.bucks.sch.uk



Bring and Buy Plant Sale

Saturday 18th May 2019 10 am - 12 pm

The annual Plant Sale will be in its usual spot again this year, on the Village Green just opposite the shop. Please bring along any unwanted seedlings, plants or shrubs.

We welcome plant donations from gardens in exchange for a free plant from our table!

For more details, contact either

Sarah Robin or **Sally Wilson** via JordansGardeningClub@gmail.com



Jordans Flower & Produce Show

Sunday 15th September 2019

Jordans Horticultural Society are putting on their annual Flower & Produce Show again

this year, and it will be held in the Village Hall on Sunday 15th September.

So start preparing your best fruit, vegetables, and flowers to display in the show!

For more details, contact either

Sarah Robin or **Sally Wilson** via JordansGardeningClub@gmail.com

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[Sophie Bruen's Ceramics Classes](#)

Sophie Bruen runs ceramics classes for children and adults - see the flyers below for details.

(Ed: the post code for our Village Hall is HP9 2SY - it's located behind the Village Store)

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Messy Fun!

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Full Day Workshops, Sculpting, Building
+ Exploring all things Clay

Please bring an old T-Shirt
& Packed lunch
Snacks will be provided

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11th April
10-3pm
£50

Wednesday
17th April
10-3pm
£50

Both Days
£85

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Come and join this fun & creative club
with experienced ceramicist teacher Sophie

Jordans Village Hall (Behind Village Store)
Green West Road
Jordans
Beaconsfield
HP9 2SX

To Book + more info please contact
sophie.bruen@hotmail.co.uk
Tel. 07555 802535

Ages
8-16yrs



Pottery Course Jordans Village Hall

10 week course Wednesday 24th April, Tuesday 30th, Tuesday 7th May
then every Wednesday 7-9pm

This evening course introduces all aspects of handbuilding and wheel throwing techniques through practical demonstration and guidance in a friendly relaxed atmosphere.

Set in the beautiful Quaker village of Jordans, Buckinghamshire, HP92ST

These classes are friendly and social and aimed at mixed groups of beginners and intermediates. Be prepared for lots of fun and of course to produce some amazing pieces of work.

Course fees cover your first 12kg bag of clay, tuition and firing costs. All subsequent clay can be purchased from me and guidance will be given on purchasing glazes.

10 week evening pottery course £275 of which a £50 deposit is required prior to the course to secure your place.

Sophie Bruen is an accomplished full time ceramicist and experienced teacher with her own studio in Buckinghamshire.

Please contact Sophie on 07555 802535 through her business page on [facebook.com/SophieBruenCeramics](https://www.facebook.com/SophieBruenCeramics) or via email to sophie.bruen@hotmail.co.uk to book a place on this exciting established course.



Open Gardens

Sunday 28th April 2 pm - 5 pm

Come and see an amazing collection of four gardens in our picturesque village, which includes gardens featuring hundreds of tulips, a landscape dell, a springtime joy of daffodils and one of the original Fred Rowntree houses. All proceeds go towards the tremendous Thames Valley Air Ambulance life saving team.

Spindrifft, Puers Lane, HP9 2TE (TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM HERE)

An exciting garden on different levels with a surprise round every corner! Hundreds of tulips. Fine hedges and trees, large collection of shrubs, herbaceous borders, a landscaped dell with pond, fruits, vegetables and greenhouses with vines.

Downfield, Jordans Lane, HP9 2FW

A garden of approximately one acre, on two levels. There is a formal front and back lawn on a shallow slope with a wild patch set above a landscape dell designed to resemble a dry river bed.

Comely Bank, Wilton Lane, HP9 2RG

This garden has been re-designed and landscaped over the last 5 years. Benefitting from established trees surrounding the grounds, it now enjoys woodland gardens, combined with informal cottage planting. Separately the garden has a pond area to attract natural wildlife. A springtime joy with great displays of daffodils and tulips, followed by bright summer colours throughout all the beds and borders complemented with majestic tree ferns.

And a new garden for 2019...

Maxfield Cottage, Crutches Lane, HP9 2TG

Over a period of nearly 30 years Jim and Denise have created, cared for and loved this

garden. The garden wraps around the house creating different areas some broad and open, others more peaceful and intimate. Tucked behind a pergola they have created raised beds for growing vegetables, fruit and cut flowers. To the front of the house is a fairly large lawn with fruit trees at one end and surrounded by flower borders. To the side of the house there is a smaller lawn with a rockery and to the rear a further lawn with borders of flowers and shrubs.

Directions & Ticket Information

Upon arrival at Jordans Village, drive past the Jordans Village Estate Office on the Village Green, and turn right into Green West Rd.

Go past the Village Store and continue straight all the way to the end of the road where you will find Spindrift, tucked away on the left of the entrance to the Village School - please obtain your tickets here before making your way to the remaining gardens. ENTRY FEE is just £5 for Adults while Children & Dogs are free.

<https://www.tvairambulance.org.uk/Event/open-gardens-jordans>

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Events Calendar

There is so much to do in Jordans, see below for a list of forthcoming events:

Jordans Village Centenary Year Events

WWI & WWII themed evening of Song - Saturday 18th May - Village Hall

Summer Fair - Saturday 8th June - Village Green

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Jordans Then & Now - Saturday 28th September (evening)

Jordans Players Supper & Song - Saturday 20th November - Village Hall

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Friday 5th - The Jolly Quaker 7pm - 11pm @ Village Hall

Thursday 11th - Sophie Bruen Childrens Ceramics Class 10am - 3pm @ Village Hall

Friday 12th - Jordans Picture House 7:15 pm - 8 pm start @ Village Hall

Wednesday 17th - Sophie Bruen Kids Ceramics Class 10am - 3pm @ Village Hall

Sunday 28th - TVAA Open Gardens 2 pm - 5 pm starting at Spindrifft, Puers Lane

Sunday 28th - Seer Green Church "Engage" 2 pm - 5 pm @ Village Hall

Wednesday 24th - Sophie Bruen Ceramics Class 7pm - 9pm @ Village Hall

Wednesday 24th - Sustainability & Population 7pm-9pm @ Meeting House

Friday 26th - JVL Management Committee meeting 8pm @ Village Hall

Wednesday 1st May - "Our Living Village" Launch 8pm @ Village Hall

Regular Events in the Jordans Village Hall

Yoga

Mondays Weekly 8 pm - 9:30 pm

Contact Georgina Wright

georginaw29@icloud.com | 01494 874152

Ceramics

10 week course starting Wed 24 Apr, Tue 30 Apr, Tue 7 May, and then every

Wednesday Weekly 7 pm - 9 pm

Contact Sophie Bruen

sophie.bruen@hotmail.co.uk | 07555 802535 | www.facebook.com/SophieBruenCeramics

Tai Chi / Qi Gong

Thursdays Weekly 6 pm & 7 pm classes

Contact Keith Fensom

keith.fensom@gmail.com | 07787 224823 | www.yangshengtaichi.com

The Jolly Quaker pop-up Pub

1st Friday Monthly

Contact Chris Waymouth

c.waymouth@btinternet.com | Tel: 07831 309379

Jordans Picture House

2nd Friday & 2nd Sunday Monthly (Autumn - Spring)

Contact Alan Sealy

alan@janetsealypartnership.com | 01494 873205 | www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk

Lunch Club 2019

Thursdays, 1pm in the Village Hall

April 18th - Pat Holdsworth

May 16th - Catherine Robinson

June 20th - Therese Rogers

July 18th - Catherine Robinson

No Lunch Club in August

September 19th - Pat Holdsworth

October 17th - Therese Rogers

November 21st - Pat Holdsworth

December 19th - All

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