

Jordans Village  
Community Newsletter

December 2018

Edited by Chris Jenkins, JVL Estate Manager



## JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the December 2018 issue of the  
Jordans Village Community Newsletter!

You will notice some changes to the design this month, to keep our lovely newsletter looking fresh, but also to help you see what is in each issue without having to scroll all the way down!! Click the links in the menu and you will be automatically taken to the article you want to read.

Hopefully you like the changes, but do let me have your comments - good or bad!

Seasons greetings!

Chris Jenkins, Editor

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OK so we haven't had any snow yet, but do we need to make any excuse to publish this gorgeous seasonal image of the Estate Office taken by Chris Roberts?!



## News from the Village Store

### **JET donates new sign**

Thanks to the generosity of Jordans Environment Trust our shop is now sporting an amazing new sign featuring our updated name - JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY STORE. JET have also funded the large sign above the notice board at the side of the shop.

We the Shop Committee are so very grateful to JET as this is a project that we could never have afforded to undertake.

We thank Sarah Robin and Dawn Franklin from JET and Angela Hamme from the JVCS Committee for pioneering and making this project happen. All three along with the chairman of JVCS Sally Wilson and committee member Graham Short are in the photograph under our smart new sign. Again a big thank you to Jordans Environmental Trust.

### **Christmas Hampers, Celebrations, & Opening Times**



We hope you have been enjoying our shop 'Christmas style'. What we have on offer both for presents and in which to indulge over the festive season, is just wonderful! A massive thank you to Emma and the 'team' for making all this happen. How lucky are we to have such a proactive Store - if you think about it, this is fairly unique in local villages.

Our shop survives thanks to your support throughout the year, so please keep this amazing effort up by stocking up for Christmas with some gifts and treats from your local store! If you're short of an idea, Lesley's fabulous hampers can be ordered right now. We can make them up from items of your choice, or set us a budget and we'll put together a selection of delicious gifts for you.

We're hosting a fabulous evening - with mulled wine! - on Thursday the 20th December to say a big thank you for your support. Christmas music will be ringing out and Angela and I will be full of Christmas spirit (not spirits!) and ensuring that you have a great time.

Kick off is at 5.30 pm and full time is at 8 pm. We look forward to seeing you there. (As it will be dark, lifts to this party will happily be arranged - just contact us to ask!).

We're open as usual over the Christmas period, and will only be closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and New Years' Day.

### **Painting of Chalfont St Giles by Katherine Bradnock**

This framed watercolour painting (shown below) of Chalfont St Giles is for sale, having been kindly donated by Katherine Bradnock with all proceeds going to the Village Store. The painting is on display in the Store, so come and take a closer look at it. Starting bids are invited at £45; please contact Sally Wilson the Store Chairman on 01494 876864 to place your bid!

### **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.

Wishing you a very merry Christmas!

**Ali Cork**

Jordans Village Community Store

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## Jordans Environment Trust

Jordans Environment Trust (JET) is a charity founded in 1973, which aims to preserve and enhance the natural and built environment in the Jordans area for the benefit of residents and the public. JET is run by a small group of local trustees.

The trust has benefitted from some generous legacies in the past, and its main activity today is to provide small grants to local initiatives and to manage a field in Longbottom Lane, which it holds on a long lease in order to protect it from development. In recent years JET has planted bluebells in Crutches Wood, has provided games equipment to the Chalfont St Giles Youth Club and has provided landscape planting at Chelsey Garden Cottages, which were built on land that was previously donated by JET. This autumn JET was pleased to fund the new front and side signage for the Jordans Village Shop.

If you represent a local organisation with a suitable project that might benefit from JET's support, please contact Dawn Franklin (Tel: 01494 671473). Donations to the Jordans Environment Trust are always welcome.

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## Jordans Village Centenary

Plans for our Centenary celebrations on **Saturday 22nd June 2019** are well under way.

A **massive marquee**, part funded by your brilliant support at **The Greatest Auction** back in October, will be out there on The Green.

There will be -

- **A Bar**
- **An amazing Hog Roast, with dessert**
- **A Bucking Bronco**
- **A Barn Dance**
- **A singer and a DJ - ensuring dancing on The Green 'til late.**

**It's going to be a fantastic celebration for all villagers past and present and of all ages!!**

Tickets will cost £30, &10 for all those between the ages of 5 and 15. Free for the under 5s  
Tickets will be on sale in the New Year. Watch this space !

**Ali Cork, Jordans Centenary Committee**



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## Jordans Village Concerts

The next Jordans Village Concert will take place on Saturday 26th January in the Village Hall, starting at 7:30 pm.

It will feature our local amateur musicians playing the music they enjoy and want to share. Performers of all ages, abilities and instruments are welcome, and pianists will be able to show off the new grand piano.

If you would like to perform at this friendly and relaxed event, please get in touch with me. If you prefer to listen, please put the date in your diary!

**Bob Hall**

01494 873186

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## Sara Lones sings to help the homeless at Christmas

Village resident Sara Lones is an extremely talented and thoughtful young artist who has written a song to highlight homelessness at Christmas, and to help support people in this desperate situation.

Help support her cause:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/SaraLones>

This is her story:

*"I wrote this song in an effort to reflect the plight of the homeless sleeping rough on the streets of affluent towns and cities. On Christmas Eve last year, I was walking back through High Wycombe in Buckinghamshire with my family after visiting the*

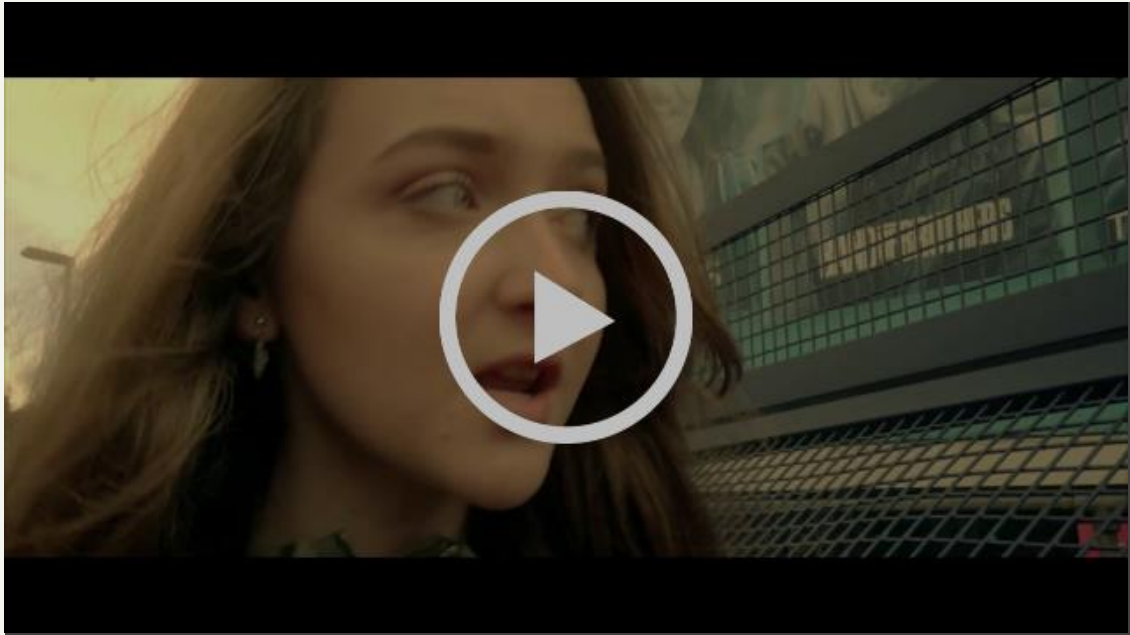
*pantomime. It was -2 degrees outside and despite wearing layer upon layer I was still unbelievably cold. As we approached the main market street I was devastated to see about 7 people lying in doorways along the road. These people had nothing but a thin blanket wrapped around them for warmth and a few pieces of flimsy newspaper to lie on. I just stopped.*

*I couldn't even imagine what those people must be feeling, and there I was; complaining about the cold during a five minute walk back to our car. But despite what I felt for these people, I eventually kept on walking, because there was nothing I could do right? Wrong. When I got home that night, I realised something. The closest feeling to having nowhere to stay for the night is that of a broken heart. It is a feeling of abandonment, of rejection and loneliness. When you are homeless you feel rejected by all, not just by another.*

*My hope is that 'Choices' will in some small way help focus attention on the growing issue of homelessness and that you will be generous enough to make a donation to my page.*

*Wycombe Homeless Connection helps about 500 local people every year who face housing crisis, by offering a weekday advice, support and resettlement service, and also a January-March winter night shelter. All this costs about £200,000 each year; the charity is 95% voluntary funded, and every contribution is put to good use. The numbers approaching WHC for help are at an all-time high. Please help us fight back!"*

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[Click here to listen to Sara's song](#)

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## Quaker Meeting House Christmas Invitation!

Jordans Quaker Meeting would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, and invite you to join us for one or more of our meetings, shared lunch, or **carol singing on Sunday the 9th December.**

See the flyer below for details.

**Nina Liebenberg, Manager**

Jordans Quaker Centre, Welders Lane, Jordans, HP9 2SN

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AN INVITATION TO JOIN US  
THIS CHRISTMAS

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**JORDANS QUAKER  
MEETING**

**SUN, 9 DEC**

Worship Meeting at 10:30

Bring and Share Lunch at 12:30

Carol Singing from 13:30

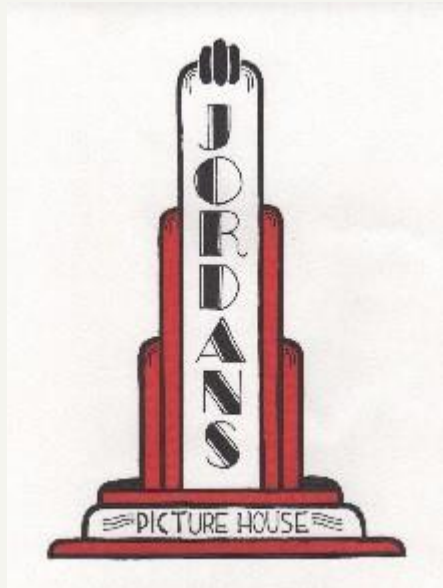
Join us for all or any part of the programme

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

A part-programmed Family Worship Meeting  
at 10:30

Tea/Coffee from 11:30

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## Jordans Picture House

OUR SCREENINGS FOR DECEMBER 2018 AND JANUARY 2019  
PLUS PROGRAMME FOR FEBRUARY TO MAY 2019

[www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk](http://www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk)

### ***December & January Screenings***

#### **Friday 14th December 2018 “FINDING YOUR FEET” (2017) 12A**

Director: Richard Loncraine

Stars: Imelda Staunton; Celia Imrie; Timothy Spall & Joanna Lumley

Run time 111 minutes.

In the eve of retirement a middle class judgemental snob discovers her husband has been having an affair with her best friend and is forced into exile with her bohemian sister, who lives on an impoverished inner-city council estate.

[Click here for more info on IMDB](#)

#### **Friday 11th January 2019 “THE POST” (2018) 12A**

Director: Steven Spielberg.

Cast: Meryl Streep; Tom Hanks; Sarah Paulson.

Run Time 116 minutes

A cover-up that spanned four U.S. Presidents pushed the country’s first female newspaper publisher and a hard driving editor to join an unprecedented battle between the press and the government.

[Click here for more info on IMDB](#)

### **Sunday 13th January 2019 "YOUTH" (2016) 15**

Director: Paolo Sorrentino

Cast: Michael Caine, Harvey Keitel, Rachel Weisz.

Run Time 124 minutes

A retired orchestra conductor is on holiday with his daughter and his film director best friend in the Alps when he receives an invitation from Queen Elizabeth II to perform for Prince Philip's birthday.

[Click here for more info on IMDB](#)

### ***Programme from February to June 2019***

Friday 8th February: Victoria & Abdul (PG)

Friday 8th March: Film stars Don't Die in Liverpool (15)

Sunday 10th March: Molly's Game (15)

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

### **Wycombe Homeless Connection & Sara Lones**

A significant enhancement to our November programme marking the centenary of the end of the First World War was Sara Lones singing a popular song of the period "Roses of Picardy."

We are delighted to be able to offer a platform in December for Sara to perform her latest composition, which focuses on the plight of the homeless in High Wycombe. There will be a collection after the film for Sara's dedicated charity - Wycombe Homeless Connection.

[www.wyhoc.org.uk](http://www.wyhoc.org.uk)

### **HOW TO BUY TICKETS**

Tickets cost £8.

*JORDANS BOX OFFICE*

Alan Sealy [alan@janetsealypartnership.com](mailto:alan@janetsealypartnership.com)



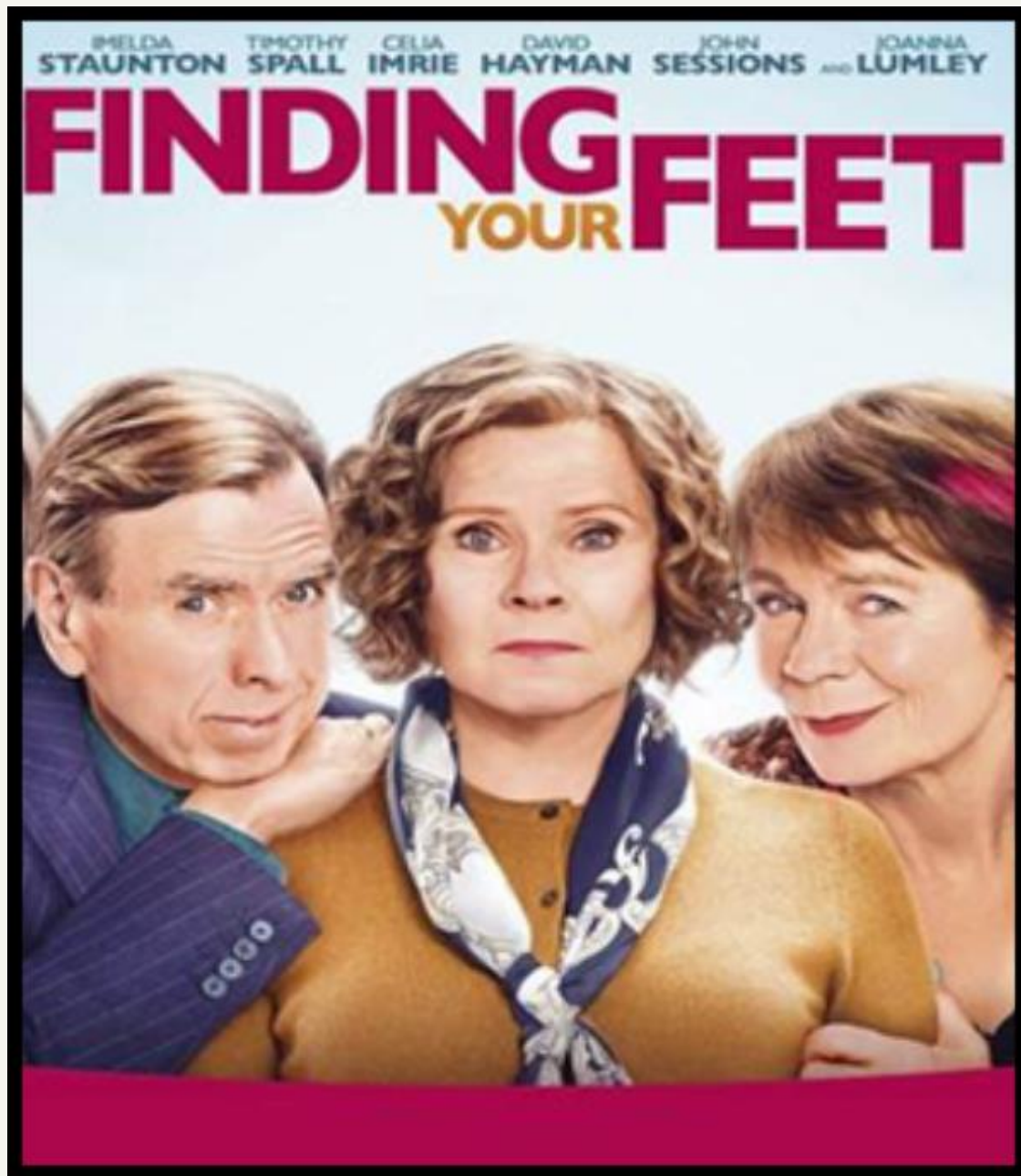
Phone him on 01494 873205

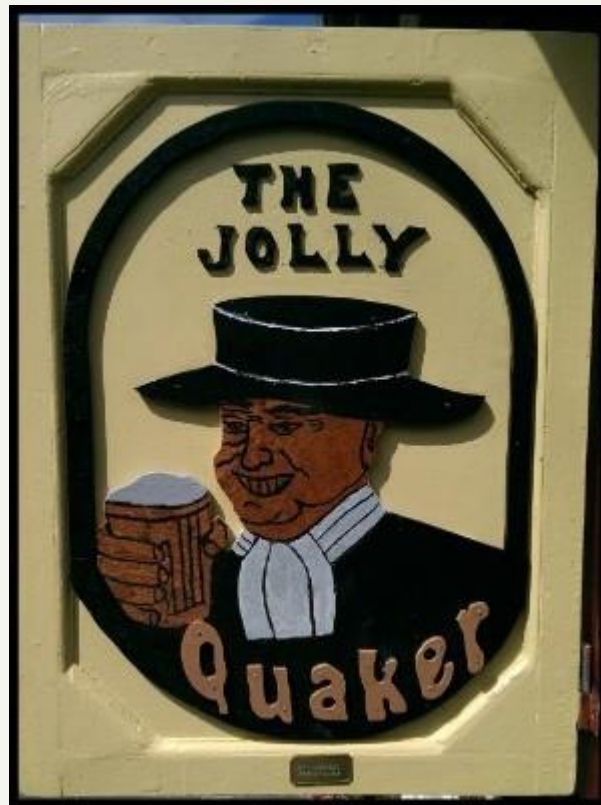
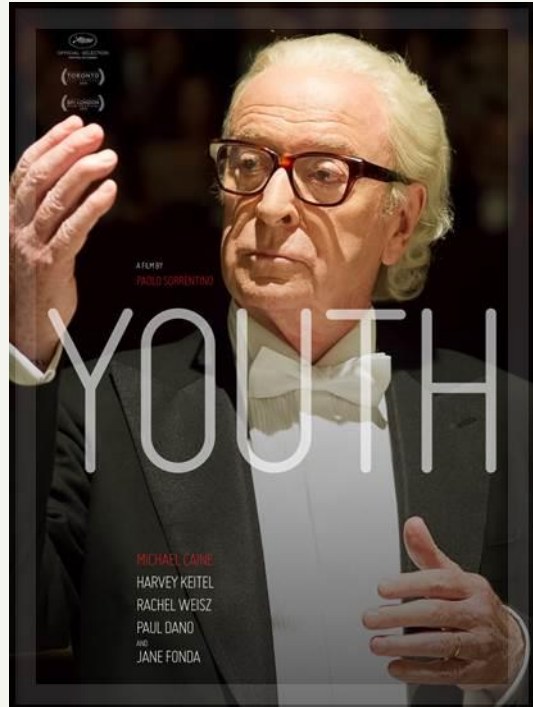
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Charlotte Baggins [pearlofwapping@btinternet.com](mailto:pearlofwapping@btinternet.com)

Phone her on 01494 689904

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The Jolly Quaker

We hope very much that you will join us in the Village Hall on **Friday, 7th December from 7 pm - 11 pm** 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.

We'll be taking a break in January, so our next session won't be until February – all the more reason to come along on Friday!

Cheers!

**Chris Waymouth, Publican**

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## News from JVL

### **"20 is Plenty" Anti-Speeding Campaign**

In the New Year we will be introducing a campaign against speeding in the Village. While



speeding is not a massive problem - most people drive very carefully - it is a constant danger and it certainly is a major concern of our residents.

This is because there are a few drivers who regularly ignore the 20 mph limit that applies on all our roads. Heavy vehicles such as SUVs and Vans cause the danger of speeding to multiply. We're generally against a proliferation of signs and street furniture, as adding more permanent signs is aesthetically displeasing but also because once a sign has been in place for a while, it gets ignored and so its effect diminishes.

JVL has come up with a good way around this problem; we've agreed with Chalfont St Giles Parish Council to join their rota for digital speed limit signs. Their signs are expensive, so they are shared with 7 other locations around the Parish and placed in each location for one week at a time.

Jordans will get the signs for 1 week in every 8 from 2019 and beyond, and we'll locate them in different parts of the village each time to keep drivers on their toes. We'll also add a couple of static 20 mph signs in other locations for that same week, so the signs aren't there permanently - just often enough to keep the speed limit fresh in people's minds.

In addition, we will be distributing "20 is plenty" stickers to all households, which can be applied to your wheelie bin. So each time the bins are put out, they will also serve as temporary notices to drivers that residents are all taking part in this campaign too. There's no obligation to do this, but we will welcome your support to slow down the traffic in our Village and help us keep our roads as safe as possible.

### **Signs at the Entrance to the Village**

You will have noticed by now the new signs we have put up at the entrance to the Village. As well as being part of the plan to tackle speeding in the Village, we have put the signs up with specific wording also due to problems we encounter with parking.

A small minority of drivers visiting the village park inconsiderately. When challenged, we've found that they don't realise that they have entered onto a private estate where different rules apply than on public roads. If a landowner doesn't inform a driver that they have entered private land, there is no legal way to enforce any bye-law or specific rules. For instance, we impose a 20 mph speed limit on our roads, and we also have restricted access to the North end of Puers Lane; as such we must inform those coming into the village of the status of the roads, if we wish people to respect our rules.

### **Mixed Recycling Bin**

As a result of an issue raised at its AGM earlier this year, JVL has invested in a large bin for mixed recycling waste. **The bin can take plastics, paper, cardboard, and aluminium cans - but not glass.** The new bin is located next to the Village Store, just by the Post Box. We hope that this will encourage people to think about recycling when in public spaces, as well as when they're at home. General waste & food waste should be disposed of in the green-coloured waste bins situated opposite the Store, behind the Cricket Hut, and by the Play Area on the Green as usual.

### **Dog Poop Bags**

Unfortunately, some inconsiderate dog walkers leave their dogs' slippery gifts behind, and worst of all is when such a gift is left in the play area. Some parents have complained about this so we have installed a discrete dispenser on the back of the Estate Office which contains an emergency supply of bags to pick up and dispose of the mess.

So if you're out walking your dog, and caught short for a poop bag, then please feel free to take one - but please don't be greedy and snatch a handful. The red bins in which to dispose of your bags are located at the North end of the Green, or at the entrance to Crutches Wood in Beech Lane.

### **Football Goal Posts**

The goal posts are a favourite item of equipment, and enjoyed by the many people who use them. However, they should be put back next to the Estate Office after use, so if your children use the goal posts regularly please can you remind them to do so?

Cheers!

**Chris Jenkins, Estate Manager**

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**PLASTIC BOTTLES**  
EMPTY AND CLEAN PLEASE



**PET:**  
coloured and clear  
fizzy drinks, clear  
and tinted blue  
mineral water  
bottles, cordial and  
cooking oil



**HDPE:**  
coloured and clear  
detergent, milk,  
fabric conditioners,  
bleach and  
household cleaning  
fluids, hair care, bath  
and shower bottles



**CARDBOARD**



**PAPER**



includes:  
newspapers,  
magazines,  
catalogues, office  
paper, envelopes,  
junk mail, books  
and telephone  
directories



**CANS**  
EMPTY AND CLEAN PLEASE



steel drinks cans,  
steel food cans  
and aluminium  
drinks cans





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## A note from the Wilsons

This year, in a break from what has become somewhat of a tradition, the Wilson family will be away over Christmas this year and therefore won't be able to organise carol singing around the Xmas tree on the Green on Christmas Eve.

But don't despair! As noted elsewhere in this issue of the newsletter, The Quaker Meeting House is holding a Carol Singing event on Sunday 9th December.

However there is something special about holding the Carol Singing around the tree on Christmas Eve in the dark with the lights twinkling, so we'd be delighted if some other residents would like to organise these carols.

It's not arduous; you don't even have to have instruments if they're not available. Just print off some carols sheets which you can easily find on the internet (and can be printed off & copied in the Estate Office).

If you would be prepared to undertake this, please let Chris Jenkins the Estate Manager know ASAP, so that he can confirm who will be doing this and avoid the possibility of several groups of carol singers all congregating at once on Christmas Eve, unbeknownst to each other! Chris will also advertise the time you'd like everyone to meet at the tree on the Jordans Facebook page, and maybe also put up some posters around the village.

We'll miss you but have a great time!

**Sally & Paul Wilson**

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## Sophie Bruen Ceramics in the Village Hall

Please find below news of various ceramics based activities in December and the New Year! They all take place in Jordans Village Hall.

**Ceramics Exhibition** - Sunday 9th December 5 pm - 7 pm

**Children's Pottery Class** - Friday 21st December 10 am - 3 pm

**Ceramics course** - Every Wednesday from 16th January - 20th March 2019 7 pm - 9 pm

Please contact me for details,

**Sophie Bruen**

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# CERAMICS EXHIBITION



**Sunday December 9th 5pm-7pm**

**Jordans Village Hall, Green West Road, Jordans HP9 2SY**

Please come and join us in celebrating the end of another 10 week course, for a glass of wine and to support our budding ceramicists and view their wonderful creations, some of which will be for sale!

**Sophie Bruen Ceramics**



# Sophie Bruen Ceramics

Children's Christmas Pottery Fun

Friday 21st December 2018

Starts 10am till 3pm

*"Come along and join us making your very own clay Christmas tree decorations lanterns and nativity scenes"*

Please bring an old T-Shirt and packed lunch



Ages  
7-13yrs

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



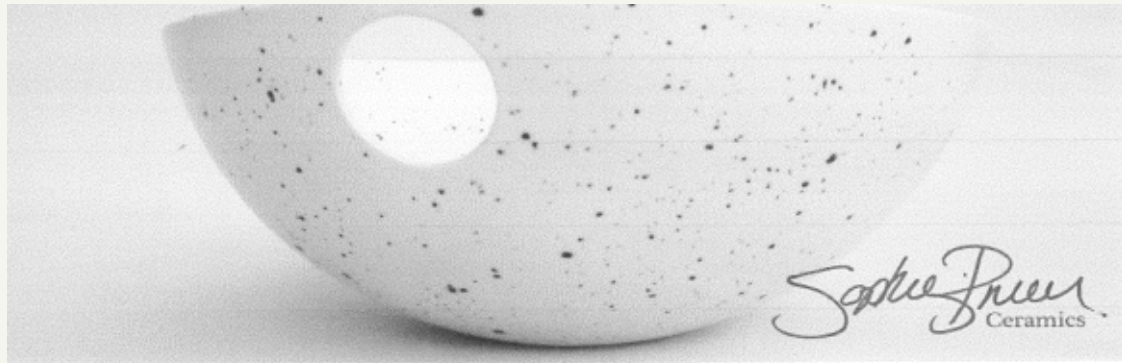
£40

Information and bookings  
sophie.bruen@hotmail.co.uk  
tel. 07796877838



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## Pottery Course Jordans Village Hall

10 week course Wednesday January 16th– Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 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 07796 877838 through her business page on [facebook.com/SophieBruenCeramics](https://www.facebook.com/SophieBruenCeramics) or via email to [sophie.bruen@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sophie.bruen@hotmail.co.uk) to book a place on this exciting new course.

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## Spooky Halloween at Delgany...

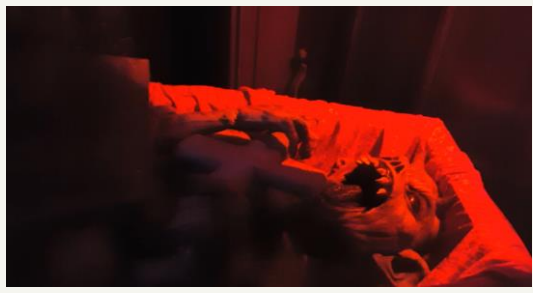
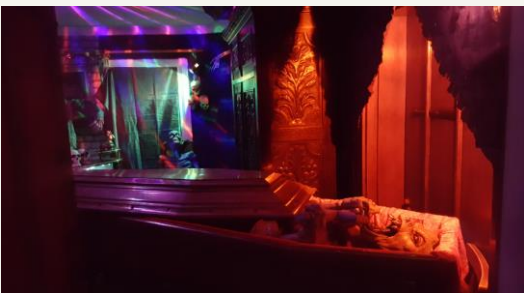
Halloween seems a while ago not, but this year Jack & Julie Barnett put on a simply amazing display for trick or treaters...check out the images below...



Jack had definitely drunk too much by this stage of the evening.



The house of horrors!!



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## Events Calendar

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

### **December 2018**

Saturday 1st - Supper & Song 7 pm

Sunday 2nd - TMC Childrens Xmas Party 12 pm & switching on the lights 5 pm

Monday 3rd - Yoga 8 pm - 9:30 pm

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

Sunday 9th - Carol Singing @ Meeting House

Sunday 9th - Ceramics Exhibition @ Village Hall (free entry) 5 pm - 7 pm

Monday 10th - Yoga 8 pm - 9:30 pm

Thursday 13th - Lunch Club @ Village Hall 1 pm - 3 pm

Friday 14th - Jordans Picture House 7:15 pm for 8 pm start

Tuesday 25th - Seasonal Gathering @ Quaker Meeting House

### **Lunch Club 2019 (Thursdays in the Village Hall)**

\*No Lunch Club in January\*

February 21st - Therese Rogers

March 21st - Catherine Robinson

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

### **Jordans Village Centenary Events**

Village Supper - Saturday 16th February 2019

Centenary Weekend - Saturday 22nd June & Sunday 23rd June 2019

Village Cricket Match - Sunday 28th July 2019

### **Regular Events in the Jordans Village Hall**

***Yoga - Mondays Weekly 8 pm - 9:30 pm***

Contact Georgina Wright

[georginaw29@icloud.com](mailto:georginaw29@icloud.com) | 01494 874152

***Ceramics - Wednesdays Weekly 7 pm - 9 pm***

Contact Sophie Bruen

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***Tai Chi / Qi Gong - Thursdays Weekly 6 pm & 7 pm classes***

Contact Keith Fensom

[keith.fensom@gmail.com](mailto:keith.fensom@gmail.com) | 07787 224823 | [www.yangshengtaichi.com](http://www.yangshengtaichi.com)

***The Jolly Quaker pop-up Pub - 1st Friday Monthly***

Contact Chris Waymouth

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***Jordans Picture House - 2nd Friday & 2nd Sunday Monthly (Autumn - Spring)***

Contact Alan Sealy

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