



JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

December 2019

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Welcome to the December 2019 issue - the final issue of our fabulous Centenary year!

To get you all in the seasonal spirit, don't miss the switching on of the Christmas Tree lights on Sunday 8th December, from 5pm! Free mince pies and mulled wine will be served by Members of the TMC. And on Christmas Eve at 4:30pm, why not join Kate Ozwell and Liz Tagg-Wooster for some carols around the Christmas Tree?

This month I am proud to announce that Jordans Village won the Leofwine Shield, for the Best Kept Village in the Chilterns 2019! I am especially pleased to win this award in our Centenary year; it's only the second time the Village has won it since 1978 when it was first awarded.

In an effort to bring you more unique editorial content, Village resident Rebecca D'Arcy has kindly offered to share some of her professional knowledge on matters which affect all of us. In

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the first of three articles, this month she talks about Gifts and Inheritance Tax Planning. Next month she'll focus on writing Wills, and her final article in February will look at Lasting Powers of Attorney. I'm sure that you will find Rebecca's columns very useful.

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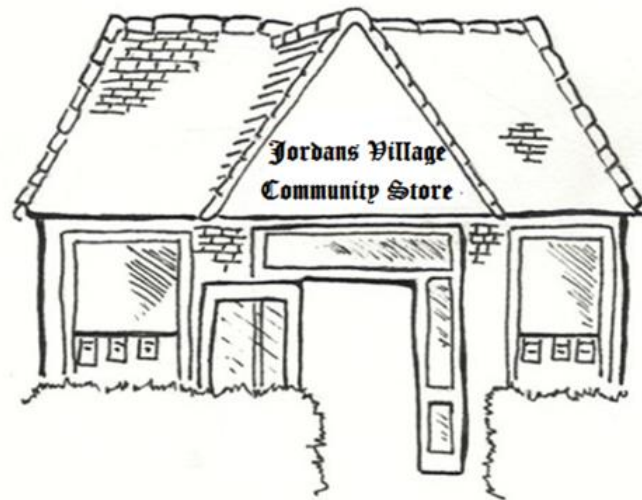
I would like to end this introduction by thinking about our Friends who are no longer with us: Willum Lomas, Tony Goodwin, Claudio Fiasche, Angela Gibb, and Jennifer Yannaghas. Much missed, never forgotten.

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Season's greetings to you all,
Chris Jenkins, Editor
estateoffice@jordansvillage.co.uk



Jordans Village Centenary 1919-2019

News from the Village Store

THE REFILL STATION

You will be very pleased to hear that our endeavours to reduce single use plastic in our homes have been met with much enthusiasm from within and outside the village. The refill station is up and running in the shop and as the contents of single use plastic bottles are finished many are bringing these bottles into the shop and refilling them. This has got to be a good move both as it reduces the amount of single use plastic that we are using - and it is

cheaper for you !

A reminder of what is on offer

- **Washing up liquid**
- **Laundry liquid**
- **All purpose cleaner**
- **Hand Wash**

The next step:

We will be selling pints of milk in glass bottles as opposed to plastic containers.

LOCAL PRODUCTS

We are now stockists of a variety of local products which are easy to identify in the shop. Simply look for the LOCAL PRODUCT LOGO.

An example is NATIVE BEEF - proper pasture fed beef from British native breed cattle grazed around Chalfont St Giles, Amersham and Sarratt. We stock mince and stewing/diced beef and any cuts can be ordered in the shop.

I am sure many of you have seen recent programmes concerning mass meat production on TV - surely pasture fed cattle is the way forward. Much healthier and happier lives for them and the knock on effect has got to be healthier lives for us and our children.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

A reminder - fruit and vegetables arrive in the shop first thing every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. If you would like the best choice of all the fresh fruit and vegetables be sure to get to the shop early on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Natalie at 'Fruits and Roots' in Chalfont St Giles goes to market before dawn and is very willing to get anything that we would like. Your input as to what would be good to have in the shop is most welcome. Just email the managers at jordansvillagestore@gmail.com or speak to the staff.

THE SHOP CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Centenary JVCS Christmas party is on Thursday 19th December from 6pm.

Mulled wine, Christmassy refreshments, a wonderful raffle - lots of prizes and Christmas music - it will be a 'wow' don't miss it !

HAMPERS

OUR FANTASTIC Christmas hampers are being made up as I write. Lesley has amazing talent in making anything look brilliant. Simply go into the shop, choose whatever you would like to go into a hamper and leave the rest to Lesley. A wonderful Christmas gift will emerge !

HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

On behalf of everyone involved with the daily running of our amazing village shop I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a happy New Year.

With thanks,

Ali Cork

News Editor, Jordans Village Community Store Committee

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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. We care about where our food comes from and how it is packaged, for example bread is baked for us at local bakeries in Chalfont St Giles and Little Chalfont; our milk is directly from a herd in Staffordshire; vegetables are via Fruits & Roots (formerly Blackwells) - who pride themselves on locating the freshest fruit and vegetables and not covering them in plastic!

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 volunteers who are all eager to help you. www.jordansvillagestore.co.uk/

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O Come , All Ye Faithful

Free
mince
pie

Mulled
wine

On Sunday, the 8th of December 5 pm.
to see
the lights turned on by Father Christmas

[Christmas Tree Lights - Sunday 8th December 2019](#)



Silent Night... We hope not!

**Christmas Carols on the Green
from 4:30pm on Christmas Eve**

The more the merrier! Friends and family welcome.

Wrap up, bring a torch and meet round the Christmas tree by the Estate Office.

If you play an instrument and would like to accompany the carols, we would love to hear from you. Please email Liz Tagg Wooster liztagg1@me.com or Kate McHugh

katherineozwell@hotmail.com.



Jordans Village Concert

Saturday 1st February 2020, starting at 7.30 pm

After the success of the last Jordans Village Concert at the beginning of November, we are planning the next concert, which is the annual opportunity for local musicians to perform their favourite music. It is always a relaxed and enjoyable experience, with a warm and supportive audience. We invite anyone, young and old, who would like to perform to get in touch with Bob Hall (873186), and we can include you in the programme!

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Jordans wins Leofwine Shield

Jordans Village was presented with the Leofwine Shield by Chiltern District Council at the Council Offices in Amersham on 12th November. The award is presented to the Best Kept Village in the Chilterns, as part of the wider *Buckinghamshire's Best Kept Village* competition.

JVL Chair Nicki Gilham, JVL Committee Member & Jordans Parish Councillor Jackie Lomas, Chalfont St Giles Parish Council Chair Gordon Patrick, and Estate Manager Chris Jenkins accepted the Shield on behalf of the community.

The Village's founders would be proud to know that the amazing community they created 100 years ago is still looked after and loved by so many today.

The shield will be on display in the Village Store in the run up to Christmas so do go and take a look!

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Just Call 999

Did you know:

- Each year in Britain around 30,000 people are struck by sudden cardiac arrest outside of hospital environments.
- They can affect anyone at any time – from young children at school, to adults when they're at home, work or out in public places.
- Of this 30,000 - 80 per cent happen at home and another 20 per cent occur in public places
- Every minute without CPR and defibrillation reduces a victim's survival rate by 7 to 10 per cent
- Without immediate treatment, 90-95 per cent of cardiac arrests prove fatal

Did You Know that In Jordans:

- We have a defibrillator - located on the exterior wall of the Village Hall
- If something happens and you think you may need to use it...go to the defibrillator and just call 999
- The Emergency Services will then give you an access code to open the machine
- They will then guide you step by step on how to use it..

It's easy.. and so don't be afraid to use it – though we of course, hope that you won't ever need to use it!

Nicki Gilham, Chair, Jordans Village Limited

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Jordans Picture House

Jordans Picture House

With the General Election in two weeks, Christmas in three weeks and the New Year in less than 4 weeks, don't you deserve 2 hours off?

Come to Jordans Picture House and ESCAPE with Stan & Ollie!!

“This is probably one of the best and certainly the funniest film we will have shown this year.”

On Friday December 13th

Doors Open 7:15 P.M. Programme Starts 8:00 P.M.

Stan & Ollie (PG) 2018

1 hour 50 minutes



Cast: Steve Coogan; John C. Reilly; Shirley Henderson.

Director: Jon S. Baird.

Laurel & Hardy, the world's most famous comedy duo, attempt to reignite their film careers as they embark on what becomes their swan song – a gruelling theatre tour of post war Britain.

With best wishes to all our supporters for Christmas and the New Year from

The Jordans Picture House Committee
Charlotte Baggins, Lorraine Bristow, Dee Pantlin, Alan Sealy and
Chris Waymouth

Jordans Picture House Programme continues – January
2020

Date	Film Title	Doors Open	Programme Starts
FRIDAY January 10th	A Star Is Born (15)	7:15 P.M.	8:00 P.M.
SUNDAY January 12th	Paddington 2 (PG)	3:15 P.M.	4:00 P.M.
TUESDAY January 21st	The Favourite (15)	7:15 P.M.	8:00 P.M.

**Our programme from February to May will be announced at
the beginning of January**

HOW TO BUY TICKETS (cost £8)

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

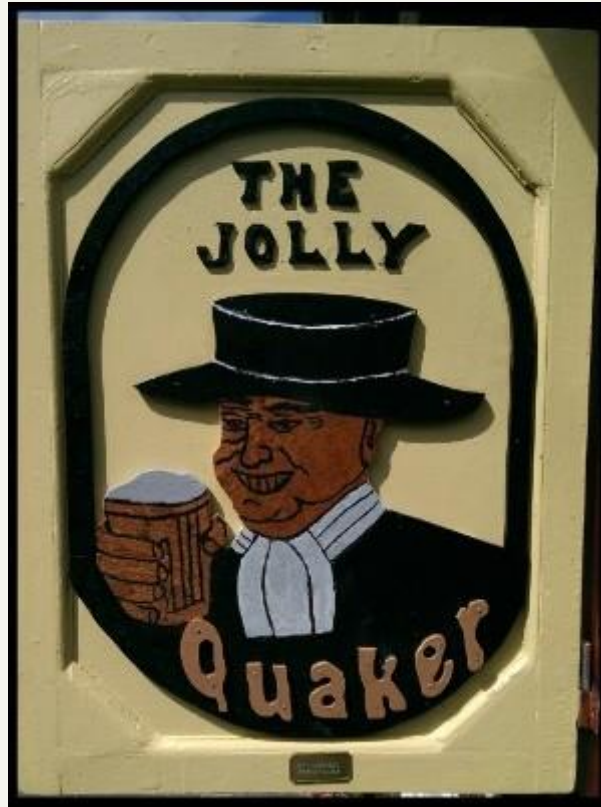
Jordans Box Office:

Alan Sealy alan@janetsealypartnership.com 01494 873205

Seer Green Box Office:

Charlotte Baggins pearlofwapping@btinternet.com 01494 689904

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The Jolly Quaker

Our popup pub will be open again in the Village Hall this coming Friday 6th December from 7 pm - 11 pm for drinks, friendly chat and (hopefully) some great music from one or more of our visiting pianists.

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

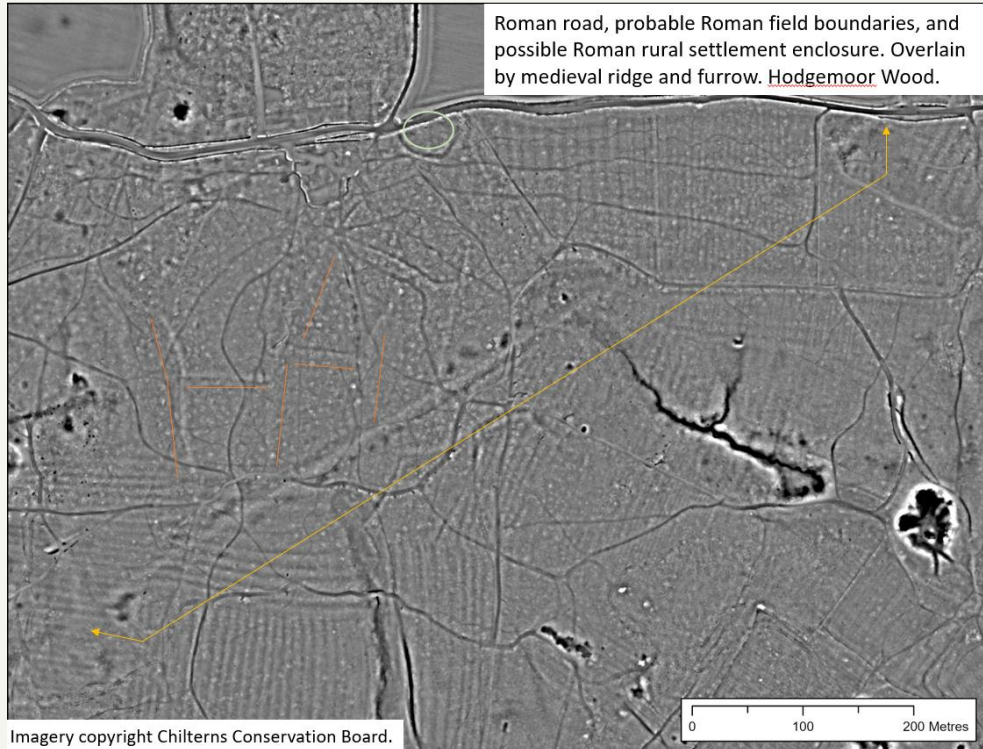
A reminder: no JQ in January!

Do come and join us on Friday!

Cheers!

Chris Waymouth

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Our Living Village – A Short Project Update

After a brief lull over the summer the Seer Green & Jordans Our Living Village project is now making exciting progress. The technical team building the computer model has completed an intensive training course in Aylesbury with the GIS software provider, and a detailed systems implementation plan is currently being finalised.

Based upon expressions of interest from supporters in the two villages, five historical themes have been selected for initial development: Built Environment - historic homes and buildings; Natural Environment – landscape, woods & wildlife; Music, literature & art; Schools & Education; and Religion in the Two Communities.

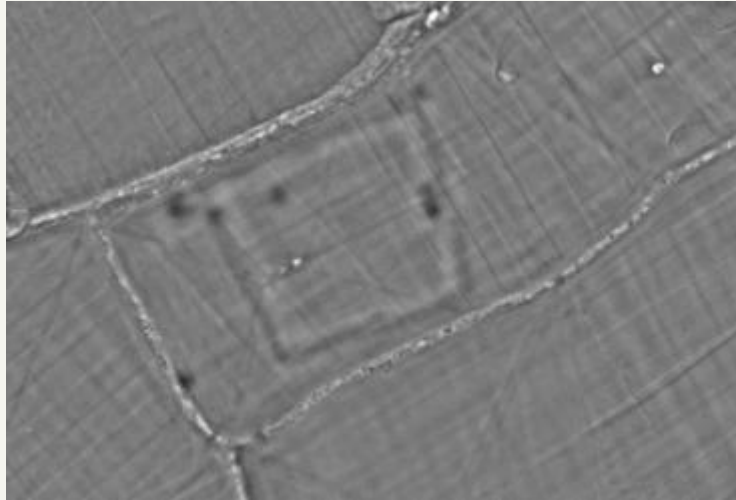
There are plenty of opportunities to get involved in researching these and other village themes - just get in touch if you're interested.

Finally, there have been some really important initial observations from the LIDAR data that we're getting from the Chiltern Conservation Board's aerial survey. So far we've identified what appears to be the remains of a large medieval manor house close to the centre of Seer Green, plus the totally unexpected route of a major Roman road passing through our local woodland. And that's just the start of our discoveries! Watch this space for more, or better still why not get involved directly in this special local project.

Alan Kell, OBE

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Below: The faint outline of a medieval manor house was picked up in the LIDAR survey of Seer Green (Image copyright CSB)



The Season of Giving; Christmas Gifts and Inheritance Tax Planning

Is your prospective inheritance tax liability on your mind? Understandably, you no doubt want your family or other beneficiaries to inherit everything that you've worked hard for, and not the tax man. If so, Christmas is an excellent time to think about making gifts of certain specific amounts, in order to do some straightforward inheritance tax planning.

In very broad-brush terms, currently any individual with an estate worth over £475,000, or couple with a joint estate worth over £950,000, will pay inheritance tax at 40% on the balance, on death.

You will no doubt be aware that there are a number of inheritance tax allowances and exemptions which are available to everyone, each tax year. Using them annually can be a good way to chip away at a prospective inheritance tax liability. Done properly, this type of

planning is completely acceptable to HM Revenue & Customs.

Inheritance Tax was once famously described by the late Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, former Home Secretary, as “A voluntary tax, paid by those who distrust their heirs more than they dislike the Inland Revenue.” From an (often sceptical!) donor’s point of view, the beauty of starting to allow a very gradual transfer of wealth by using your allowances and exemptions regularly is that it allows you to test the waters in terms of your heirs’ ability to manage money responsibly, before transferring larger sums.

By way of reminder, the following allowances and exemptions are available:

Annual Exemption - £3,000 per person

Each person can give away their ‘annual exemption’ of £3,000 per tax year, completely free of inheritance tax. If you are a couple, you can therefore give your children (or other beneficiaries) up to £6,000, inheritance tax free. You can carry forward any unused annual exemption to the next year, but for one year only.

Small Gifts - £250 per person

You can also give away ‘small gifts’ of up to £250 per person per tax year, to as many people as you like. (This exemption cannot be added to the £3,000 annual exemption to make a gift of £3,250 to one person, though.)

Normal Expenditure out of Income

There is an exemption for ‘normal gifts out of income’. This means that you can regularly give away as much income as you like, as long as you are able to maintain your usual standard of living after making the gifts. This type of gift needs to be carefully documented, in case it is ever challenged, but the exemption can be extremely valuable for the right client. If you are at a stage in your life when you have a lot of income, some of which you don’t need, and you also have a prospective inheritance tax problem, then this is for you.

It is important to record not only the gifts, when they are made and to whom, but also your income and expenditure during the period when you are making them. This will mean that, if the gifts were ever challenged, your executors would be able to prove that the income being used to make the gifts was indeed ‘excess’, and unnecessary to maintain your usual standard of living.

Gifts in Consideration of Marriage

If a loved one is getting married, you can give inheritance tax free wedding gifts of £5,000 per child, £2,500 per grandchild or great grandchild and £1,000 to anyone else (HMRC apparently thoroughly disagreeing that you ‘can’t put a price on love’.)

Potentially Exempt Transfers

You can also make larger gifts up to your inheritance tax free nil rate band of £325,000 per person, free of inheritance tax. This type of gift is known as a Potentially Exempt Transfer or PET, because if you survive the gift by 7 years, it will fall out of account in your estate for inheritance tax purposes. However, in the meantime it will use up your nil rate band, which would then be reduced accordingly, if you died within 7 years.

Alternatively, the money could be passed to a lifetime trust for the benefit of family members without an immediate tax charge, if you would prefer your beneficiaries not to inherit outright as yet.

Substantial sums can be removed from an estate this way, if the gifts are made over a number of years, especially if it is possible to start when a client is say only in their 50s or 60s, so youngish in inheritance tax planning terms (flatteringly, your inheritance tax adviser will think of you as ‘young’ for an awful lot longer than would be the case in say modelling, or professional football).

Gifts to Charities or Political Parties

Finally, gifts of any amount that you might want to make to registered charities or (try not to laugh) political parties are free of inheritance tax.

Very best wishes to you all for a wonderful and tax-efficient festive season!



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One Thousand Trees

The '**One Thousand Trees for Jordans Village project**' community planting project aims to plant 1000 trees in Jordans village gardens, common held green areas of Jordans Village, and green belt held in trust. Through a grant application to the Woodland Trust we can instigate a community planting programme managed by Jordans Village Ltd, which will be integrated within their wider Woodland Management Plan.

In the short term we can press ahead with encouraging and monitoring tree planting in the gardens of people in Jordans. We can create a 'model project' to demonstrate and to encourage other communities on what can be achieved. To this end Gordon would like to receive emails concerning any trees and hedges planted to build a database of what has been done.

Please email Gordon on gordon@hamme.co.uk and give a brief description of the trees and hedges and the quantity planted.



Pottery Course Jordans Village Hall

10 week course Wednesday 8th January to Wednesday 11th 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 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.

[Sophie Bruen's Ceramics Course January to March 2020](#)

Jordans Village Nursery School - Vacancy for Supply and Permanent Staff

The Nursery School is seeking to add supply and permanent staff to our current list. Supply work may involve being asked to work at very short notice and will only be on an occasional basis. A permanent member of staff is needed for 4 hours on a Wednesday morning 8.30am to 12.30pm, with a view to increasing hours in the future plus an opportunity for supply work.

The role involves general nursery school duties such as:

- Preparation of daily resources.
- Supporting children as they learn through play.
- Care and supervision of children.
- Helping to clear the hall at the end of the session.
- An interest in extended learning (permanent staff).

The hours of work are:

8.30am-12.30pm (mornings) and 11.30am-3.30pm (afternoons)

The applicant will be:

Flexible, reliable, caring and experienced in working with children.

Shortlisted applicants will need to attend an interview and if selected must provide 2 referees and undergo a DBS check. This post is exempt from the provision of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974.

JVNS is an equal opportunities employer and is committed to safeguarding children.

Our policy states that 'in the best interests of the child, we do not appoint parents/carers of children currently at Jordans Village Nursery School'.

Applications or questions to be emailed, including an up to date CV, to lisa.jvns@gmail.com.

Jordans Village Nursery - Vacancy



Tony Goodwin

15th July 1947 - 13th October 2019

As many of you will already know, my husband Tony Goodwin passed away on 13th October after a long and debilitating illness. He died with myself and his daughter by his side, and in the house and village that he loved.

I want to convey my gratitude to the many Jordans Villagers who have shown me such kindness over the last weeks.

Thank you all, Dee



Paws for Thought

Walking the Dog

Firstly I would like to mention that along with Monty and Nina, there are two more puppies residing in Jordans, Daphne and Eric. Both are Black Labradors and needless to say both are adorable!

However, the main topic of this article addresses the necessity for your dog to be exercised daily. Daily walks help to keep a dog both happy and healthy, and are also beneficial in the same way to the walker! Letting your dog run around your garden, however big, is no substitute for getting out for a proper walk. In addition to this it is not uncommon for dog owners to take the view that if their dog has had a particularly long walk one day it won't need a walk the next day. This is not the case at all. It is important that any dog in good health gets out for a walk on a daily basis, not only to help prevent obesity but also for its

mental health. Varying the route taken is also beneficial as like humans dogs enjoy a change of scene.

Of course not all dogs require the same amount of walking and it will be dependent on their age, breed and body condition. Most dogs can tolerate a 20 to 30 minute walk twice a day, and this is the recommended minimum for a healthy dog. Every dog should get at least one walk a day if not two. A walk both am and pm being ideal.

However, not all dogs require the same level of exercise. Breeds such as the Basset Hound, Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, and English and French Bulldog for example, do not require much exercise. In contrast breeds such as the Weimaraner, Labrador, Golden Retriever and the English Springer Spaniel, require a lot of exercise. One of the top mistakes that new dog owners make is choosing too active a breed that needs more exercise than the owner can give it. Dogs that don't get walked enough can become destructive due to boredom.

Puppies require less exercise than a fully grown dog whatever the breed. The rule of thumb being 5 minutes exercise per month of age up to twice a day ie; 15 minutes up to twice a day when it reaches 3 months old. If a puppy is over walked you can overtire it as well as damage its developing joints, which can lead to early arthritis.

Dogs should never be walked on a full stomach as this can cause Bloat, a potentially fatal condition. Waiting for at least an hour after feeding is advisable.

Lastly on a subject that I have written about before, please act responsibly and keep an eye on your dog when out walking, making sure you pick up after it. More recently there have been some rather large deposits in Jordans on our village green, and also at the entrance to Chalky Field. There is no excuse for not picking up especially since there is a poo bag dispenser on the back wall of the Estate Office. There are also dog waste bins on Green North Road and at the entrance to the woods, opposite the gate to Chalky Field. So please be considerate and remember that others in the community enjoy the open spaces including many young children from the two schools. So please keep an eye on your dog when out walking and pick up and bin it!

Jo Bell

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Fish & Chips

Wednesday Nights Every Week

The van stops in the layby near the cricket hut on the Green between 7pm and 7:30pm

Call: 07342 173 366 (direct line to van) to place your order and get the exact time of arrival in Jordans

Events Calendar

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

Christmas Tree Lights switch on

Sunday 8th December 5:00 pm

Village Store Christmas Party

Thursday 19th December 6 pm

Regular Events in the Jordans Village Hall

Yoga

Mondays Weekly 8 pm - 9:30 pm

Contact Georgina Wright

georginaw29@icloud.com | 01494 874552 or 07946 382570

Ceramics Classes

10 week course 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 (excluding August and January)

Contact Chris Waymouth

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Jordans Picture House

2nd Friday & some Tuesdays and Sundays Monthly (Autumn - Spring)

Contact Alan Sealy

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

Lunch Club 2019

Thursdays, 1pm in the Village Hall

December 19th - All

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If there is a subject you'd like to talk about, an event in Jordans you'd like to publicise, or have some other news relating to the Village, please contact Chris Jenkins, the newsletter Editor, on 01494 875177 or via email estateoffice@jordansvillage.co.uk

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