



JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

February 2022

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2022 is the [Village Store's 100th Birthday](#), and to celebrate this amazing landmark the Store is arranging a weekend of events at the beginning of April! Read on to find out more...and save the dates in your diary!

As well as news of the Store's Centenary, this month's issue is packed with other exciting events, as Jordans social calendar re-awakens from its COVID-induced stasis. There's the [Jolly Quaker](#), [TMC Founders' Supper](#) and a special [musical event arranged by "Jordans Performs"](#) in February; [Supper & Song](#) in April, and not forgetting the wonderful [Jordans Picture House](#) with several events each month through to the end of May.

You may recall that late last year we presented the amazing technology behind the [Our Living Village](#) project and I am very pleased to say that their website is now live, and full of fascinating information about Jordans and Seer Green.

Chris Jenkins, Editor

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Pictures of the Month

Here we publish the best images of Jordans or by Jordans residents that we've received in the past month

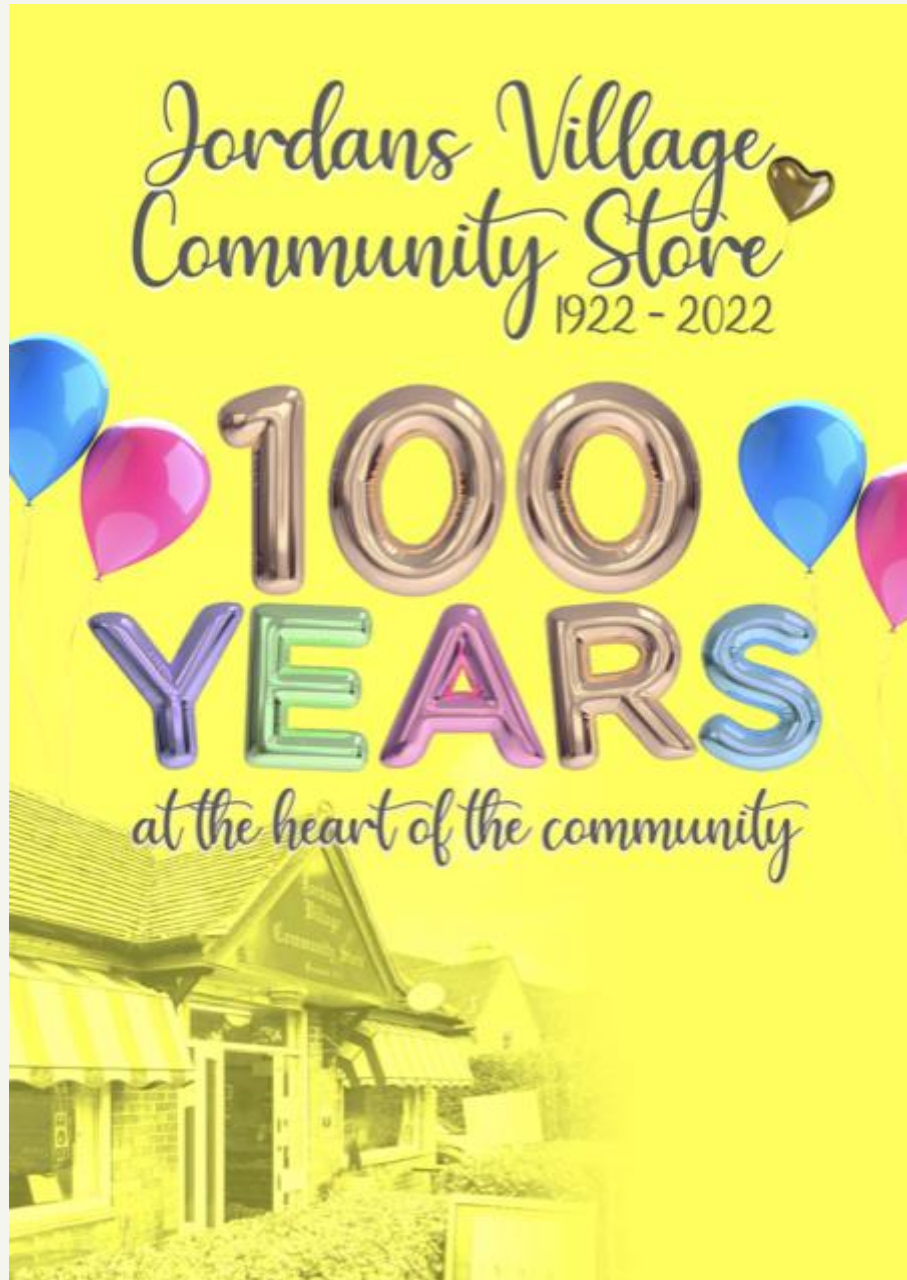


Click on the images to enlarge

Above: Chris Waymouth captured this amazingly detailed close-up of a Dunnet gathering feathers for its nest

Below: Sunrise over the Green, snapped by Ali Cork





Jordans Village Store celebrates its
100th Birthday!

**100 YEARS AT THE HEART OF OUR
COMMUNITY**

It is with enormous pleasure and great excitement that we, the Jordans Village Community Store Committee, launch the celebrations for the CENTENARY OF OUR VILLAGE SHOP!

100 years ago this year, as Jordans was literally rising from the ground and self-sufficiency was still a tough order in an area of uncultivated fields and relatively few animals, the embryonic idea of a commercial business in the form of a village shop was conceived.

Moving from a worker's cottage to the (now) Estate Office building, and subsequently to its current site right in front of the newly built Village Hall and overlooking what was to become the Village Green, right from the outset our shop made its presence felt.

JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY STORE with its position right in the centre of our village rapidly took on its role as the 'heart' of our village. Despite the invasion of supermarkets over the last 40 years creeping closer and closer to Jordans this heart is still beating strongly after 100 years.

It is an achievement that few local villages can claim, it is an achievement made possible by you our villagers, it is an achievement to celebrate.

Please join the Jordans Village Store Management Committee and Staff for a weekend of Celebrations from FRIDAY 1st APRIL 2022.

FRIDAY 1st APRIL

JVCS Centenary celebrations at

THE JOLLY QUAKER

Venue - Jordans Village Hall

Time - 7.30 - 11pm

SUNDAY 3rd APRIL

A TEA PARTY FOR ALL VILLAGERS

Venue - Jordans Village Green

Time - 3.30 onwards

WEDNESDAY 6th APRIL

JVCS VOLUNTEERS PARTY

(For all who have ever volunteered in the shop in any capacity)

Venue - Jordans Village Hall

Time - from 7pm



TMC News

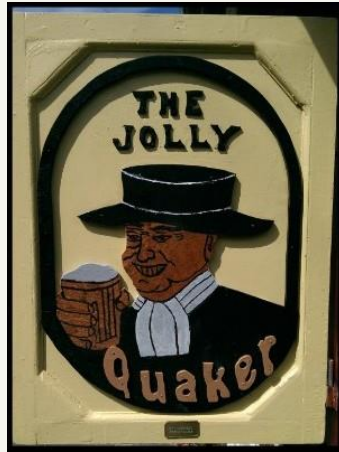
It's back! We all missed The Jordans Founders' Supper so much last year and are grateful that we are able to join together this year. It will take place on Saturday 12th February at 7:30pm.

Due to the current climate and for everyone's safety we will have fewer numbers than previous years, with 60 places available, and people attending will be asked to take a lateral flow test on the morning of the event.

If you would like to purchase tickets, please email jordanstmc@gmail.com or call 07753 176882. Please state how many tickets you would like in the email and we will arrange payment with you. Tickets are £15, and will go on sale at the Jolly Quaker this Friday...plus this weekend outside the shop. First come, first served! We all look forward to spending time together again at such an enjoyable and important village event.

Jordans TMC

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The Jolly Quaker

The Jolly Quaker is back on 4th February!

We are back for another year of cosy Friday nights in your village hall, with a warm welcome, live piano music and local beer (and other drinks!). We're looking forward to seeing you all at 7.30 pm on Friday, February 4.

We're in particular need of one or two people to help us put away tables and chairs at the end of the evening - around 10.30pm or 11 pm. We won't keep you long! If you can help, please let Francesca Bagneris know at falahiguera@gmail.com.

Paul Wilson
Francesca Bagneris



Jordans supports the Great Little Chalfont Refugee Welcome

The Great Little Chalfont Refugee Welcome is a community group supported by the Government's Community Sponsorship [scheme](#) in which communities work with the Government to bring a refugee family from a camp or conflict zone directly to the UK.

The community then supports the family with a rented home and medical, social and educational expertise - and surrounds them with friendship as they rebuild their lives. In this way, they come with their status assured and with a community in place to welcome them and help them integrate.

In March, the Chalfonts community will be welcoming a family of six who were forced to flee their home in Syria. They are currently living in Jordan (not Jordans!). There's a Mum, Dad and four children, ages 3-12. The family were selected by the Home Office and the United Nations based on a set of strict criteria. They are not able to return to Syria and it is not sustainable for them to continue living in Jordan.

A home has been found nearby and our aim is to furnish it during the next two months and make our new neighbours feel safe, welcome and at home here.

We are looking for **gently used** household items in excellent condition - a list of the most important is below. If you are able to offer anything on this list, **please contact me on 07929 731 423** or contact Francesca Bagneris at falahiguera@gmail.com (please **do not** drop items at our house – many thanks).

Thank you very much for anything you can offer!

- 1 Toaster
- 1 Kettle
- 1 Ironing board
- 1 Iron
- 1 Colander
- 1 Food grater
- 1 Tin opener
- 1 Washing up bowl
- 1 Cutlery tray
- 6 espresso cups and saucers (or small cups suitable for Arabic/Turkish coffee)
- 6 cereal bowls
- 6 hot water bottles
- 6 wipeable place mats
- Cutlery: 6 knives, soup spoons, forks, teaspoons
- Decorative cushions (or cushion covers)
- Wool, cotton or polar fleece throws – for sofa or beds
- Over-the-door hangers

If you prefer to donate funds, you may do so through the Great Little Chalfont Refugee Welcome "[Just Giving](#)" page. The GLCRW is not a registered charity, but is working with a registered charity called [Citizens UK](#) through a Memorandum of Understanding signed by both parties. Citizens UK have worked with almost 100 community sponsorship groups to resettle refugee families. They act as the guarantor for the family if the community group were ever unable to provide what they require.



Musical Event - 20th February

JORDANS VILLAGE PERFORMS: soothing group musical meditation — all welcome!

As part of the Jordans Village Performs programme of community music events, we invite *all players or aspiring players* from the complete novice to the experienced performer, of *any* style of music and *any* instrument to take place in a musical “event” taking place in Jordans Village Hall from 5.30 to 7.00 on Sunday, 20th February. The only thing asked of those attending is a willingness to LISTEN to others taking part! Audience welcome.

The piece to be performed is called *Many Hands*. *Many Hands* is a flexible piece for any combination of instruments, consisting of several “movements” or sections, each of which draws on a specific emotion (rasa) traditionally expressed in Indian raga. We encourage you to bring your own beverage (tea, coffee, G&T, etc) to sustain you during the event.

The event will be led by composer Janet Davey. Jan has worked extensively within the community, including 12 years for Little Missenden Festival, for massed musicians and children at the Royal Albert Hall, in schools, and with the elderly. *Many Hands* has been performed widely and broadcast on BBC Radio 3.

For further details and to sign up, please access the Jordans Village Performs eventbrite link here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/organised-by-jordans-village-performs-aka-bob-and-esther-34322589007>

Any further questions, please email jordansvillageperforms@gmail.com or talk to Esther Cavett or Bob Hall when you spot us in the village.

Esther Cavett & Bob Hall

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Supper & Song

Supper and Song: Jordans Players are pleased to confirm that this event, postponed from December, will take place on Saturday 9th April in the Village Hall, starting at 7.00. Tickets will be on sale from 12th March.

Any resident willing to contribute to the (informal!) entertainment with a song or instrumental, will be very welcome.

Offers please to Alan Sonnex on 01494874536.

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TODDLERS IN THE WOODS

For all pre-school children
accompanied by a responsible adult

We don't go outside, we are outside

Hosted by Holy Trinity Church
Seer Green and Jordans

Every Friday during term
9.15 am - 10.15 am

Venue:
The Centenary Clearing,
Crutches Wood,
Jordans

Cost £2.50
per session

For more information contact Ali Cork
☎ 07803 139079 ✉ alicork686@gmail.com

Toddlers in the Woods

Toddlers in the Woods takes place for an hour every Friday morning during term time at the Centenary Clearing in Crutches Wood. Start time now during the cold winter mornings is 9.30, to allow time for the children - and adults too! - to layer up.

Toddlers in the Woods is for all pre-school children accompanied by an adult and is for all who live in Jordans and Seer Green or who have a close association with the villages.

It is an hour of exploration, craft, singing - and most important fun ! -run by our parish church Holy Trinity. A time for all to learn about, and appreciate, playing in the woods right on our doorstep.

Do join us! No booking required and a voluntary contribution of £2.50 appreciated.

Ali Cork

contact details

alicork686@gmail.com

07803 139079

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Jordans Picture House

Programme for February 2022 to May 2022

THE BEGINNING OF THE END FOR THE PANDEMIC?

The Jordans Picture House Committee is looking forward to a gradual increase on the limit to ticket sales. However, as it is only 35, don't leave your bookings too late!

We are now putting together our Long List of films for the Season September 2022 to May 2023, which our Members will be asked to vote upon in a few weeks' time.

Please let us know if you have any suggestions!

On Friday February 11th we shall be screening "The Good Liar." Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m. Awards: 5 nominations. Mirren & McKellen are at their best in this entertaining film.



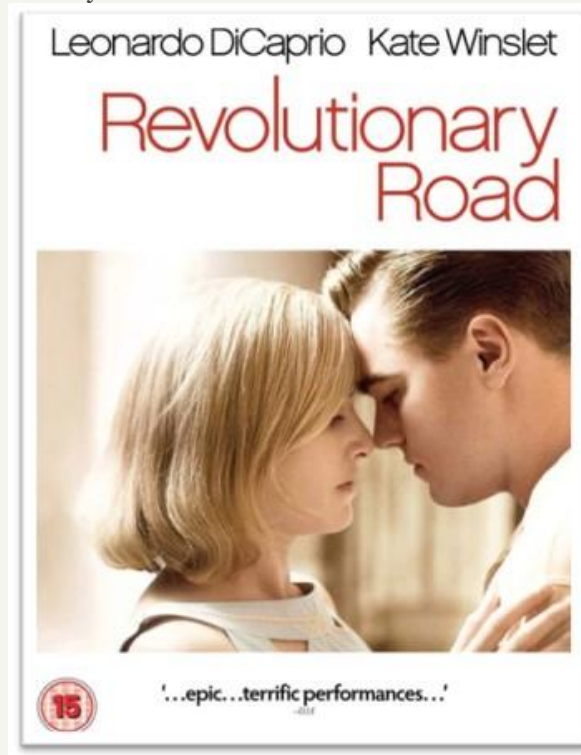
The Good Liar (15) 2019

Cast: Helen Mirren; Ian McKellen; Russel Tovey. Director: Bill Condon.

Consummate con man Roy Courtney has set his sights on his latest target: the recently widowed Betty McLeish, worth millions. But this time, what should have been a simple swindle escalates into a cat-and-mouse game with the ultimate stakes.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U2xDIe01fFY>

On Tuesday February 22nd we shall be screening “Revolutionary Road” Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m. Nominated for 3 Oscars, with 20 Wins and 73 Nominations. Two actors at the top of their game and a very talented director create a memorable film.



Revolutionary Road (15) 2008

Cast: Leonardo Di Caprio; Kate Winslet; Christopher Fitzgerald. Director: Sam Mendes.

A young couple living in a Connecticut suburb during the mid-1950s struggle to come to terms with their personal problems while trying to raise their two children.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WGS9M6uiOW4>

JPH Screenings March to May 2022

Subject to Government advice on Covid, the titles and timings of the films will be as follows: -

film	Date	Day	Doors Open	Time
Up in the Sky (15) 2018	11/03/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Hidden (12A) 2018	13/03/2022	Sunday	3:15 PM	4:00 PM

unded by the Light (12A) 2019	08/04/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
imal Farm (U) 1954	10/04/2022	Sunday	3:15 PM	4:00 PM
ow Your Own (PG) 2018 (with M)	13/05/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM

The casts, plot profiles and hyperlinks to YouTube can be accessed via our website or you may find it useful to look them up on either of these websites:

www.imdb.com or www.rottentomatoes.com

HOW TO BUY TICKETS (Cost £8 for adults, £5 for under 15s)
Visit us online at www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk (no booking fee!)

or

Email or call:

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

Seer Green Box Office: Gill Pettman gillyp4@btinternet.com 01494 678050

At present and for the foreseeable future we will be maintaining our limit on ticket sales at 35, to allow greater spacing between seats. As further safeguards, there will be hand sanitisers available and we will do our best to optimise ventilation – in spite of the anticipated colder weather. You may need to wear warmer than usual clothing! The wearing of masks in cinemas is no longer a Government requirement and is optional now.

We all look forward to welcoming you.

Jordans Picture House Committee: Lorraine Bristow; Katy Brown; Gill Pettman; Alan Sealy; Chris Waymouth.



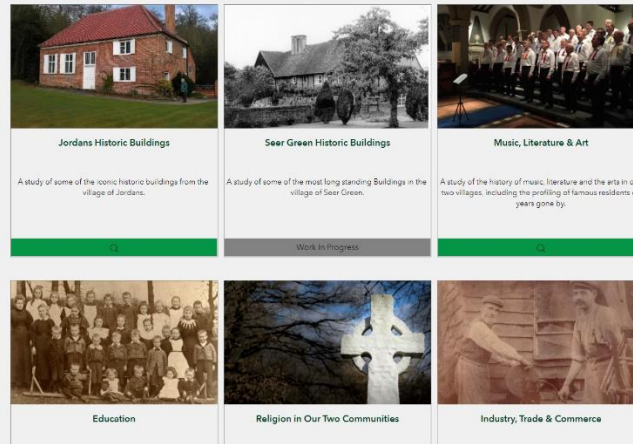
Jordans Village

Planning Policy Consultation

JVL held an informal public meeting on Tuesday 18th January in Jordans Village Hall which gave residents the opportunity to air their views and listen to other opinions before submitting their written responses to the consultation at the end of January.

JVL would like to thank everyone who had taken the time to respond and will now analyse the results. Please visit the JVL website to view the Consultation responses, and the Timetable for what happens next.

www.jordansvillagelimited.co.uk/index.html



Our Living Village – is Alive!

The Our Living Village project was launched by the Seer Green & Jordans Society nearly three years ago, in partnership with the Chiltern Society, to capture the in-depth history of our two communities and make this available to everyone online in a pictorial and interactive format.

Despite the regular efforts of the coronavirus pandemic to disrupt our progress, I'm delighted to announce that we're now in the final stages of going live with the Our Living Village website.

Please do log in, have a look, and give us your feedback at:

www.ourlivingvillage.org

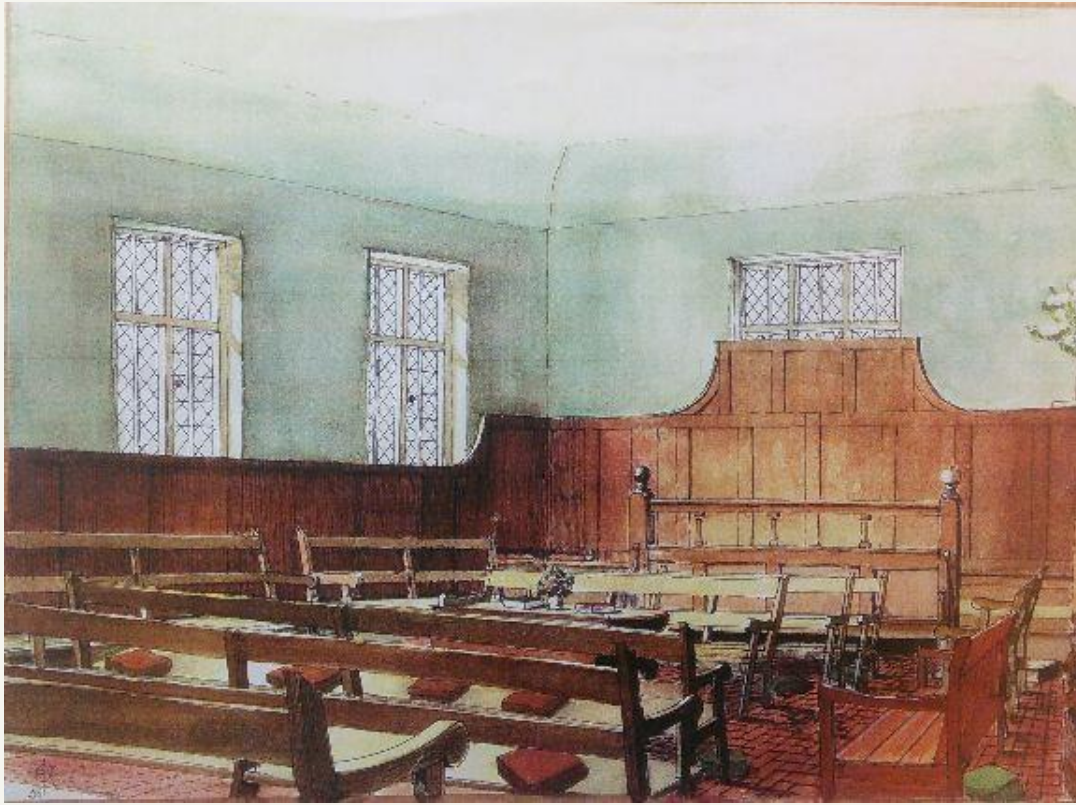
Amongst the things that you'll find here are a fantastic set of dynamic historical maps of Seer Green and Jordans expertly assembled by Nigel Rothwell; an extensive history of religion in our two communities compiled by David Horncastle and Geoffrey Brand; a presentation of the extensive information collected for the Jordans Centenary celebrations produced by Chris Jenkins; a pictorial history of the historic buildings in Jordans written by Nigel Morgan; and a history of the wonderful pubs in our two villages produced by Alan Kell.

There's still plenty to do, and over the coming months we'll be developing and uploading several more historical themes under the leadership of the Seer Green & Jordans Society.

Many thanks to all of you who've provided such great support to this important community project - we look forward to your continuing involvement to capture and share even more fascinating information about our two historic and vibrant communities.

Alan Kell, Project Manager, Our Living Village

alan.kell@igsystems.co.uk



This watercolour of the interior of the Meeting House was painted by Paul Garland when he and his wife Irene were wardens of the Meeting House from 1992-1998.

Friends' Corner

By Bob Redpath

An alternative word for 'Quaker' is 'Friend'. 'Friends' Corner' lists forthcoming Quaker events at the Jordans Meeting House, to which newcomers are very welcome. The Meeting House is located at the junction of Jordans Lane and Welders Lane. Jordans Quaker Centre is attached to the Meeting House; private meetings can be booked. Nina Liebenberg, JQC manager, can be contacted if there are queries about access to the Meeting House or to book meetings in the Jordans Quaker Centre. (tel no. 01494 876594; email office@jordansquakercentre.org)

Quaker Events and News

Jordans Meetings for Worship

In-Person Meetings for Worship at Jordans Meeting House

The Jordans Meeting House is open for in-person meetings during February. The meeting starts at 10:30am, lasts one hour and is followed by a 'bridge' of about ten minutes when people who wish to do so can comment on the issues raised during the meeting.

We welcome visitors, including people coming to the Meeting for the first time. If

you are planning to attend in person for the first time, please contact Adrienne Midgley as there is limited space due to social distancing. Please bring your mask. Adrienne's contact details are: tel.no.01753 889581 or adriennemidgley@hotmail.com.

Attending Meeting by Zoom

It is also possible to attend Jordans Sunday Meeting by Zoom, commencing at 10:30am. There are no restrictions to numbers online! If you wish to attend by Zoom for the first time, please contact Adrienne for the log-in details; it is advisable to contact her by 10:15am.

Junior Jordans (Sunday School)

David Matthews writes: Junior Jordans, the children's meeting, is now meeting every Sunday at 10:30am in the Penn Room of the Jordans Quaker Centre. We enjoy some times of quiet and reflection during the Junior Jordans meeting and also cover some fun activities, including art and music. We join the main meeting in the Meeting House towards the end of that meeting. We are ready to welcome new visitors, especially from Jordans. Please call me (outside of work hours) for further details (07779 251 107)

Douglas and Jenny Butterfield: Zoom Meeting for Worship

Douglas and Jenny Butterfield would like to invite you to a virtual Meeting for Worship at their house, which is on zoom during lockdown. The meeting will be held on Friday 4th February at 10:30am for about 40 minutes with fellowship afterwards. (Meetings are usually held on the first Friday of a month.) If you want to join us you would be most welcome. Please contact Douglas by email douglasbutterfield13@gmail.com in order to be sent the Zoom link for this meeting.



Paws for Thought

An Anxious Dog's Tale

Now that Covid seems to be abating, and people are returning to their offices, there should be less demand for puppies, so dog theft will hopefully become less of a threat.

However, one still needs to be vigilant. Whilst shopping in Beaconsfield high street

recently, I was concerned when two ladies tied their Irish Terrier to the railings opposite M&S, and then proceeded to go into the shop. I wondered why one of them had not stayed with the dog. Being concerned for its welfare, I felt that I could not go home until I saw the owners return. The dog looked agitated from the start and was staring intently at the doors of M&S. I asked myself, 'what are you doing' and 'is this really necessary?' However, I decided that for my own peace of mind I had to keep an eye on the dog until the ladies returned.

I decided to approach the dog and put my hand out to it, but it seemed even more worried by my presence (who could blame it?), so I just observed it (not sure of its gender) from Whistles shop front window. A shop assistant asked if she could help me. I told her I was just monitoring a dog that was tied to the railings. She immediately sympathised and said she would never leave her dog tied up outside a shop and understood my concern!

Thankfully after about 15 minutes the two women emerged. The dog was very pleased to see them, frantically wagging its tail, and going from one to the other. I was relieved that they had returned, and that the dog was reunited with them.

The RSPCA strongly advises against leaving your dog tied up outside a shop or leaving it alone in the car.

Surprisingly some dog owners are not aware of the fact that it is a legal requirement to have your dog microchipped, and for it to have up to date details on its collar, or a disc, which should include a phone number. However, it is better not to give your dog's name, as this would make it easier for potential thieves to lure the dog away.

Thankfully dog abduction is now a criminal offence, and this should serve as a greater deterrent to those committing the crimes. In the Government's 'Kept Animal Bill' the dog abduction offence announced in November 2021 will be added to it, this bolstering the raft of measures it already includes, to further protect pets.

The new offensive will now consider the emotional stress caused to both owner and pets and will help to hand down more targeted penalties and sentences for pet thieves. Judges are now able to sentence pet thieves to up to 5 years in prison.

On a different subject, that of picking up, it would be very much appreciated if residents and visitors to Jordans would pick up their dog's slippery gifts. Recently the Village Green has had some very unpleasant deposits on the outer edges. Chalky Field and the lower field, where the new trees have been planted, both have visible deposits of poop lying in the grass. So please show some respect for our environment, village, and community, and bag it and bin it!

Jo Bell

Events Calendar

At last! The events calendar is back!

The Jolly Quaker

Friday 4th February from 7:30pm

Village Hall

Jordans Picture House

Friday 11th February, Tuesday 22nd February, 7:15pm for 8:00pm

Village Hall

Founders' Supper

Saturday 12th February 2022

Village Hall

Email jordanstmc@gmail.com or call 07753 176882. Tickets are £15. First come, first served!

Concert - Jordans Performs

Sunday 20th February 2022, 5.30 pm

Village Hall

Contact Esther Cavett - Esther.cavett@gmail.com or Bob Hall - r@rkhall.com

Concert

Sunday 3rd April 2022, 2.30 pm ***Note new earlier start time***

Village Hall

Cressida Jenkins (soprano), Esther Cavett (piano) and others, with a theme of climate change

The Jolly Quaker - Village Store Celebration Event

Friday 1st April, 7:30 pm - 11pm

Jordans Village Hall

Jordans Village Community Store Centenary - Tea Party for all villagers

Sunday 3rd April 2022, 3.30 pm

Village Green - contact Ali Cork for details on 07803 139079

Jordans Village Community Store Centenary - Volunteers past & present

Wednesday 6th April 2022, 7.00 pm

Village Hall - contact Ali Cork for details on 07803 139079

Supper & Song

Saturday 9th April 2022

Village Hall

Summer Fayre

Saturday 11th June 2022

Music on the Green

3rd July 2022

Sports Day

Saturday 10th Sept (Saturday 17th Sept 2022 reserve in case of bad weather)

Children's Christmas Party & Christmas Tree Lights

Saturday 3rd December 2022

Regular Events in the Jordans Village Hall

Toddlers in the Woods

Fridays weekly from 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Contact Ali Cork

alicork686@gmail.com | 07803 139079

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 from 7:30pm (excluding August and January)

Paul or Francesca on 07929 731423

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

Thursdays Monthly in the Village Hall

Arrive at 1pm for Lunch at 1:15pm. Cost £8

Please confirm your place with the hostess by the Monday preceding the Lunch.

Please give 3 days notice if you wish to cancel. BYO Alcohol

17th February - Pat Holdsworth 874565

17th March - Therese Rogers 874171

21st April - Jo Wardle 07836 219219
19th May - Pat Holdsworth 874565
16th June - Therese Rogers 874171
21st July - Jo Wardle 07836 219219
18th August - All
15th September - Pat Holdsworth 874565
20th October - Therese Rogers 874171
17th November - Jo Wardle 07836 219219
15th December - 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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