



JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Dearest people of Jordans, welcome to 2022!

The [TMC](#) is well advanced with planning a schedule of fun for the coming year and I've listed the various dates of their favourite events below; more about each in due course. Lunch Club has also announced its schedule of dates for 2022, which you'll find in the [Events Calendar](#) at the foot of each newsletter.

Those musically talented residents are putting on another [concert](#), and the [Picture House](#) has an amazing selection of films to keep you entertained, with the announcement of their Programme through to May 2022. I would particularly recommend *Official Secrets*, a superb film about a very dark period of history.

JVL's [Consultation on its Planning Policy](#) is well underway, and residents are reminded to respond with their thoughts. A public meeting takes place on 18th January in the Village Hall where queries can be raised about it; the deadline for responses is 31st January.

I am glad to report that following our article

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about the Village's carbon footprint last month, at least one family has been spurred into action to improve the insulation in their home. A Climate Action event to raise awareness about this most pressing of matters and what Jordans residents can do about it is coming up in the Spring. You may have noticed that the Society of Friends is doing their bit with a major [tree planting scheme](#) that is underway in Chalky Field, and we bring you some news about that below.

Finally it's the Village Store's centenary year and plans are afoot to celebrate this historic landmark. Watch this space for more details starting next month!

Chris Jenkins, Editor

estateoffice@jordansvillage.co.uk

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 & Below: David Wooster sent in these amazing images of Jordans in Winter, with the aid of Tilly the dog!



Click on the images to enlarge

Below Left: Another beautiful shot by David Wooster, this one of Beech Lane (and Tilly!)

Below Right: The Jordans Christmas Tree by Ali Cork



Chalky Field Tree Planting

Just before Christmas it came as a surprise to see that the lower of the two fields known as Chalky Field was being planted out with tree saplings. We've been in touch with The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) at Euston House who own the fields, to ask them for information about it.

The tree-planting is part of a scheme at least partly funded by the Rural Payments Agency, after the Quakers had engaged Rural and Forestry consultants to develop a planting plan and make an application for them.

A pathway system through the new trees is planned, allowing for a 5 metre margin to the woodland perimeter around which people will be able to walk. The pathway plan is currently being revised and we hope to share this with you when it's available. Once the planting is completed, the next stage will be provision of boundary fencing and access gates.

The map below shows the original field layout before Jordans Village was created. As you'll see, what we know as upper field at "Chalky Field" (opposite Old Jordans, called Jordans Farm on the map below) was originally known as "Jordans Field", and the lower field (opposite the Meeting House) where the planting is currently happening was known as "Wall Field".

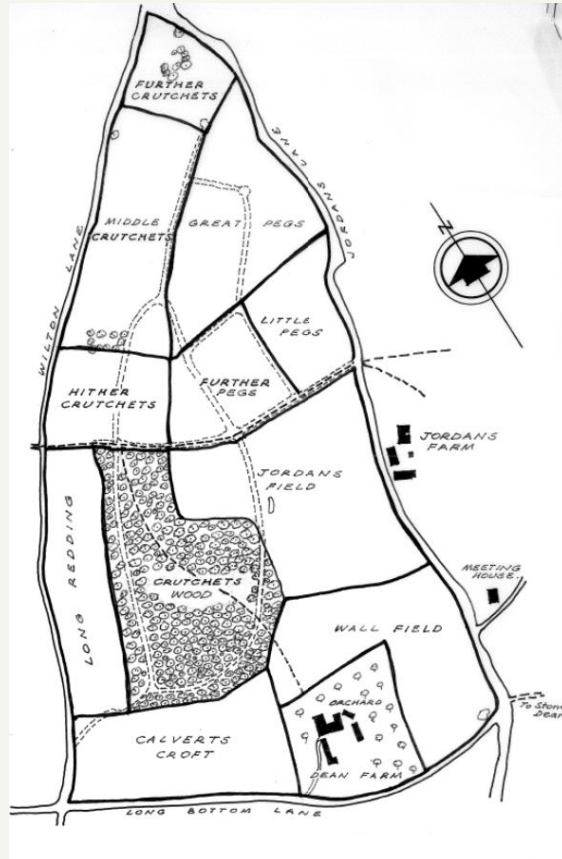
These fields played a part in the origin of the Village, as recorded by Arthur Hayward in his seminal book "Jordans - The Making of a Community":

"During the winter of 1915-16 it became known that the owner of Dean Farm was considering selling the fields opposite the Meeting House to a speculating builder, who saw in them an attractive site for villas and bungalows.

Although the long silence of the valley had come to an end with the re-opening of Old Jordans Hostel and the Meeting House, Jordans was still a secluded spot, for hiking had not yet become a vogue, and it was but rarely that a motor car passed down the lane on its way to the Oxford Road. It was therefore with something approaching consternation that the Friends contemplated the possibility of a site with so many associations and memories being swallowed up by a shoddy suburbia."

This led the Quakers to formulate their own plans for a model village, a little further up the hill and away from the Meeting House. They acquired the Jordans estate, retaining the fields and preserving the area of tranquillity around the Meeting House; the rest, as they say, is history.

- Ed







NFTS

**NATIONAL
FILM AND
TELEVISION
SCHOOL**

NTFS needs your home for a film location!

The National Film & Television School graduate students are seeking a filming location for a short fiction. We are looking for a 3/4 bedroom house with open plan living/kitchen area with availability at a good rate, for filming 6-11 Feb '22. We are all highly professional; lots of us have previous careers and 1 in 4 graduates go on to win a BAFTA, so you never know who you may be helping now, might go on to do something award winning in the future.

I'm Emily, a Production Management student and I was at your lovely village as part of the production team for the short fiction called *Dog* back in September 2021. Everyone was so helpful so we are hoping you might be able to support us once more.

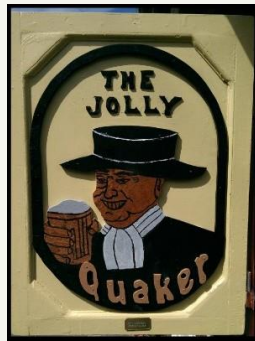
If you think you can help, please contact me either by mobile: 07814056576 or email: morgan.emily1986@gmail.com

We would be eternally grateful and even if you don't think your home is the exact requirement but has some of the elements, we'd still be really interested in hearing from you. Many thanks in advance for any offers of help.

Emily Morgan

Production Management Student

<https://nfts.co.uk/>



The Jolly Quaker

No Jolly Quaker in January - see you on February 4th!

The Jolly Quaker team will be taking a break in January but we look forward to welcoming you back on February 4 for the first JQ of 2022!

The support Jordans has given the Jolly Quaker evenings we've had so far has been amazing - thank you very much for coming and for bringing your friends and families.

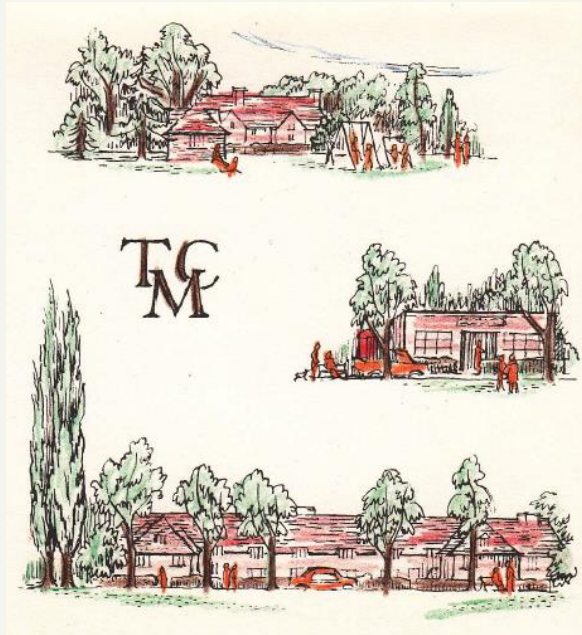
In addition to providing hours of fun at very good value for residents and visitors to Jordans, each event has made hundreds of pounds for the Jordans Village Community Store.

And a very special thank you to the kind and hardworking volunteers who help set up, serve with good cheer behind the bar and stay late to help us tidy up. We could not put this event on ourselves - we need you!

Happy New Year and we look forward to seeing you in February!

Paul Wilson

Francesca Bagneris



TMC News

A very Happy New Year from the Jordans Tenant Members Committee!

TMC Events 2022

Founders' Supper (nearest Saturday to 15th February each year)

Saturday 12th February 2022

News about tickets will be in the February newsletter

Summer Fayre (2nd Sat in June)

Saturday 11th June 2022

Music on the Green (1st Sunday in July)

3rd July 2022

Sports Day (1st Sat after schools go back, following Sat as reserve)

likely Saturday 10th Sept and Saturday 17th Sept 2022 reserve

Children's Christmas Party & Christmas Tree Lights (1st Sat in December)

Saturday 3rd December 2022

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Village Concert - 22nd January!

Our next concert is for local musicians of all ages to play music that they want to share. Already we have local pianists, violin players and a wind quintet lined up, and the promise of a piece of music specially composed for the occasion. If you would like to perform, whatever your age or standard, please do get in touch with Bob Hall (tel 873186). If you don't, please come to the concert - Saturday 22 January, starting at 7.30 pm in Jordans Village Hall. Refreshments will be provided, and entry will be free (with donations on the door).

Booking is available via Eventbrite at:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/jordans-village-concert-tickets-237589956957>

and we ask you to register if you want to come, or to give Bob a call if you don't want to use Eventbrite. To maintain safety we are limiting the number of attendees, and asking everyone to respect the Covid guidance that is in force at the time. Of course, we may have to curtail or postpone the event if Covid guidance so advises.

These concerts have always been very relaxed and enjoyable, so please do come!

Bob Hall

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Ron Morris

Ron Morris (1926-2021) died peacefully in his sleep at home on 9th November. He and Dorothy were longstanding residents of Jordans, moving into Orchard End on Jordans Way in 1970.

Ron was born in Birmingham and raised in Coventry. He entered the army at the end of the war as an officer cadet and did his training in India before seeing active service in Palestine and Egypt up to 1948. He then embarked on a career in the flooring industry and held senior executive positions before his retirement in 1991. His work took him to Germany in the 1970s and to Scotland in the 1980s but he and Dorothy always saw Jordans as their permanent home and enjoyed returning to the village.

Ron was an active walker and member of the Jordans Strollers for many years, participating with enthusiasm in the local walks as well as the annual longer treks in different parts of the country. He also acted the part of the judge in the play about William Penn staged in the village in the early 1980s and for many years took a close interest in the management of village affairs. He and Dorothy made many good friends here and were well known around the village. They treasured the community, the place and the people and felt privileged to live here. A service of remembrance was held for him at Greenacres on Potkilm Lane in early December.

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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

...is back this Friday 7th January - all welcome!

Ali Cork

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Jordans Picture House

Programme for January 2022 to May 2022

HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Jordans Picture House Committee appreciates the support we have received throughout 2021. We hope to see you all back in 2022.

We are now putting together our Long List of films for the Season September to May 2023. Please let us know if you have any suggestions!

On Friday January 14th we shall be screening “Official Secrets.” Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m. It has won 5 awards and 16 nominations.



Katharine Gunn:

“Governments change. I work for the British people. I gather intelligence so that the government can protect the British people. I do not gather intelligence so that the government can lie to the British people.”

Official Secrets (15) 2019

Cast: Keira Knightley, Matt Smith, Matthew Goode. Director: Gavin Hood.

The true story of a British whistle-blower who leaked information to the press about an illegal NSA spy operation designed to push the UN Security Council into sanctioning the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

www.youtube.com/watch?v=pP4zhzIyTUA



On Sunday January 16th we shall be showing our special Family Film "Luca." Doors open at 3:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 4:00 p.m. The ticket price for under 15s is just £5. It is the latest offering from Disney/Pixar, the highly entertaining animation having been released only very recently (July 2021).

Luca (U) 2021

: Jacob Tremblay (voice); Jack Dylan Grazer (voice) Emma Berman (Voice). Director: Enrico Casarosa

Set in a beautiful seaside town on the Italian Riviera, Disney and Pixar's original feature film "Luca" is a coming-of-age story about one young boy experiencing an unforgettable summer filled with gelato, pasta and endless scooter rides. Luca shares these adventures with his newfound best friend, Alberto, but all the fun is threatened by a deeply-held secret: they are sea monsters from another world just below the water's surface.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mYfJxlgR2jw>



On Tuesday January 25th we shall be screening “Can You Ever Forgive Me.” Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m. This film was nominated for 3 Oscars and has had 53 wins and 101 nominations.

Can you Ever Forgive Me (15) 2018

Cast: Melissa McCarthy; Richard E. Grant; Dolly Wells. Director: Marielle Heller.

When Lee Israel falls out of step with current tastes, she turns her art form to deception.

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

JPH Screenings February 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
The Good Liar (15) 2019	11/02/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Revolutionary Road (15) 2008	22/02/2022	Tuesday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Eye in the Sky (15) 2018	11/03/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Maiden (12A) 2018	13/03/2022	Sunday	3:15 PM	4:00 PM
Blinded by the Light (12A) 2019	08/04/2022	Friday	7:15 PM	8:00 PM
Animal Farm (U) 1954	10/04/2022	Sunday	3:15 PM	4:00 PM
Grow Your Own (PG) 2018 (with AGM)	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 indoors is now a Government requirement.

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

What do you think about JVL's planning policy?

As most village residents know, JVL's consent is required for alterations, extensions and other developments in the village, and it has drawn up detailed planning policies to guide its decisions. JVL is undertaking a detailed review of its policies, and issued a brief consultation paper in December. The document was sent out to residents on the Estate by email, and was published on JVL's website: <http://www.jordansvillagelimited.co.uk/index.html>

A paper copy is available from the Estate Office on request.

We invite all village residents to read the paper and to send in their comments to the Estate Office (deadline end of January). JVL's Management Committee will consider all comments, and plans to issue an updated planning policy in mid 2022.

JVL is holding a public meeting at 8pm on Tuesday 18th January in Jordans Village Hall when the planning policy will be discussed, and JVL encourages all residents to come and contribute their views. Reserve the date!



Allotment available

JVL has 8 allotments located next to the tennis court behind Green East Road, and one allotment is now vacant.

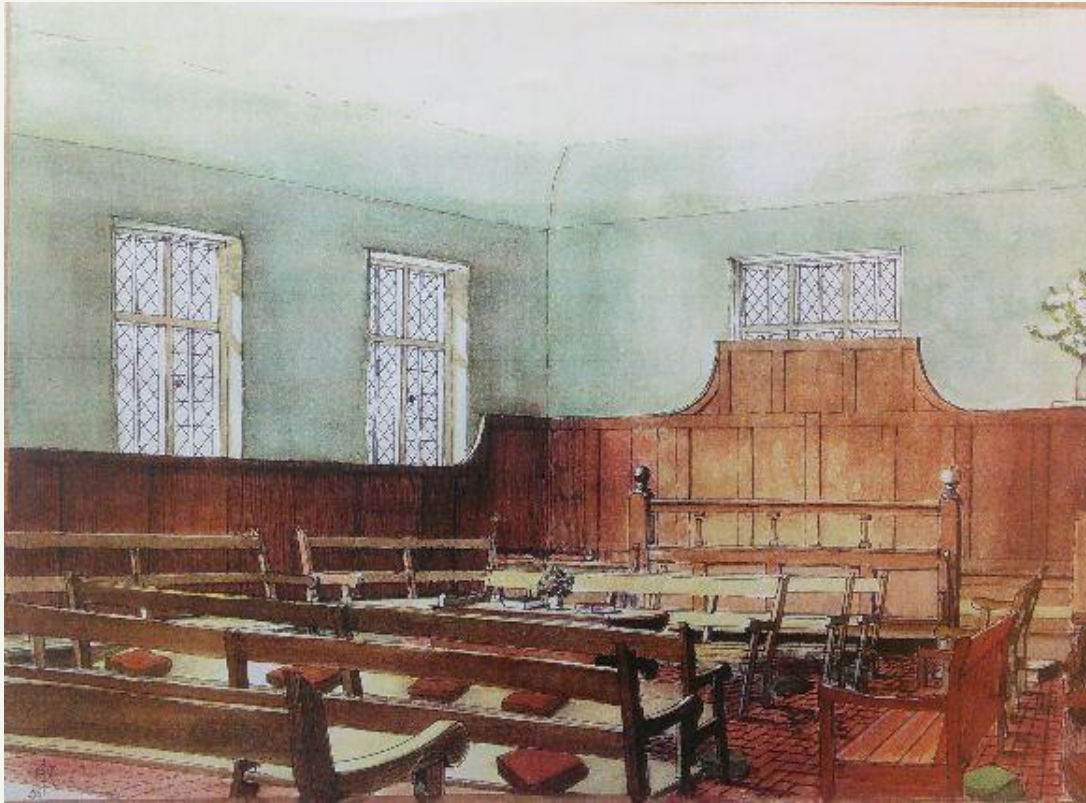
The cost of each allotment is £70 per year including the cost of providing water and electricity to the allotments and clubhouse.

Any Jordans resident who is interested in putting their green fingers to work should contact me by 31st January. Any current allotment holder who wishes to have a second allotment should also get in touch.

Chris Jenkins, Estate Manager

01494 875177

estateoffice@jordansvillage.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 January. 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 7th January 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.

Events Calendar

At last! The events calendar is back!

The Jolly Quaker

Friday 4th February from 7:30pm

Village Hall

Jordans Picture House

Friday 14th January, Sunday 16th January and Tuesday 25th January

Village Hall

Concert

Saturday 22nd January 2022, 7.30 pm

Village Hall

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

Founders' Supper

Saturday 12th February 2022

Village Hall

News about tickets will be in the February newsletter

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

Jordans Village Community Store Centenary - Tea Party

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

High Intensity Interval Training (HiIT)

Wednesdays Weekly from 7 pm - 8 pm

Contact Amy Butterworth

amyzad@hotmail.com | 07732 041754 | @amypt1990

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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