

JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER July 2025

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Welcome to the July edition of our community newsletter, and what a month it's been!

The Summer Fair was another memorable day, with lots of people coming from far and wide to share a lovely day out on our Village Green. With the dulcet tones of the Chiltern Wind Band providing some atmosphere, the dog show was once again the centrepiece of the fair (although some would argue it was the beer tent on such a warm day!). Of course there were lots of stalls, bric-a-brac, tombola, bouncy castles - none of which I got to see as I was busy all day arranging a wonderful array of motor cars of all shapes and sizes - four of which were sporting only three wheels, which must be some kind of record! A great day was had by all, and readers will agree that everyone who volunteered to help put on the event

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deserves our congratulations and thanks.

The TMC aren't resting on their laurels, as no sooner has June ended, that Music on the Green is upon us! With three bands lined up to play on 6th July, it's going to be another fantastic event. Talking of fantastic events, the Camp Out on the Green in aid of the new Village Hall was a resounding success, with Richard Cornish providing musical entertainment and many families from Seer Green joining in and helping us to fundraise by simply having some fun with their friends and family. Sort of sums Jordans up doesn't it?

Another aspect of Village life in the last couple of years that Jordans can be proud of has been the Biodiversity Project, spearheaded by Bob Hall, Emma Pegram, Paul Wilson and many other volunteers (sorry for not naming them all!) who have been working hard to foster biodiversity in our fields. Please join them for the Jordans Biodiversity Day, their annual open day to learn about what they've achieved so far and read on for the full programme of events.

With Wimbledon in full swing, it's a great time for the next Alcaraz or Raducanu to develop their skills as <u>Jordans Tennis Club</u> is running the summer Tennis Camp in late July and August. There are still a few spaces left to play in this year's annual Cricket Match between Jordans Village and the Estate Office teams, on Sunday 10th August (or 24th if the weather is bad on the 10th). A new weekly Zumba dancercise class has started up in the Village Hall, with energetic classes running every Wednesday evening. Finally, the Our Living Village project is joining in with the national "Festival of Archaeology" in late July by running some guided walks exploring 2,000 years of human activity around Hodgemoor Woods, and booking details can be found

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Pat Holdsworth @ Jordans Summer Fair 2025 Image by the Editor

Pictures of the Month





Left: Snoopy playing dog croquet Right: Phillip Wardle & Endersby the cat relaxing on the Green



TMC News

Music on the Green



Summer Fair 2025

The summer fair is now behind us and what a fantastic day it was! A massive thank you to all who came along and supported this annual event and a special "Thank You "to the numerous volunteers who helped run the stalls, served tea and cake, ran the bar and barbeque, bric-a-brac, cleared away at the end, the list goes on and on. We truly appreciate the support you provide.

The return of the Chalfont Wind Band was again a great addition to our fair and the Nursery school's performances of the Bluebell Polka and the Dashing White Sergeant were absolutely superb! Well done to all the children who took part.

Our next event is this coming **Sunday 6**th **July**, with the ever popular **Music on the Green**. Session starts at 1pm and goes on until 7pm. We have three great bands coming along this year: Fabulous Funky Funks, The New Ambassadors and lastly The Junk Yard Dogs! Bring a picnic and make use of the open barbeques and enjoy an afternoon of music with friends and family.

TMC & Friends

























Jordans Biodiversity Day

Saturday 12th July

What is biodiversity? And what is happening on Manor Farm Field North to promote it?

We're holding a series of activities from dawn to dusk on Saturday 12th July to celebrate the biodiversity in our village and understand how & why we should support it.

All activities are **FREE** but numbers are limited so please reserve your place on the safaris using the links below. Activities are suitable for all ages. Everyone is welcome but no dogs (except guide dogs) please.

Please wear sturdy shoes and long trousers (we can't rule out ticks in the long grass).

- 7am 9.30am: Morning Bird Safari led by local expert Dave Parmenter
 - BOOK ON EVENTBRITE
 - o https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1406330164379?aff=oddtdtcreator
- 11am -1pm: **Bumblebee Safari** led by the Bumblebee Conservation Trust
 - BOOK ON EVENTBRITE
 - o https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1406367746789?aff=oddtdtcreator
 - 3pm 5pm: **Tea and Cake** on Manor Farm Field North
 - NO NEED TO BOOK
 - An opportunity for you to visit this usually closed field and enjoy some tea and cake while finding out about what we've been doing to restore wildlife over the past year. Highlights include the wildflower meadow, hedge laying and hunting for amphibians and reptiles.
 - 9pm 11pm: Bat Safari with Berks and South Bucks Bat Group
 - o BOOK ON EVENTBRITE
 - https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dusk-bat-safari-with-berks-and-south-bucksbat-group-tickets-1406376382619?aff=oddtdtcreator

For more information: <u>jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com</u> Follow us on Instagram: <u>jordans_biodiversity_project</u>



A series of activities from dawn to dusk to celebrate Nature in our Village Everyone is welcome!

FREE WILDLIFE SAFARIS

Places are limited. To book, see links on www.jordansvillage.co.uk

Tour 1: 7am - 9.30am: Morning Bird Safari Tour 2: 11am – 1pm: Bumblee Safari Tour 3: 9pm - 11pm: Dusk Bat Safari

Tea and Cake on Manor Farm Field North

3pm - 5pm

Visit Manor Farm Field to see what we've been doing to restore nature. Highlights include: the wildflower meadow, hedgelaying, monitoring butterflies, amphibians & reptiles!

Tea and homemade cake







Photo credit: Bumblebee Conservation Trust



Photo credit: Simon Nichols

Please wear sturdy shoes and long trousers (we can't rule out ticks in the long grass). No dogs (except guide dogs) please.

Manor Farm Field is located off the footpath between Jordans and Seer Green, close to Wilton Lane.

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Summer Tennis Camp

Jordans Tennis Club - All standards welcome

- Dates
 - o 28th July 1st August
 - o 18th August 22nd August
- Times
 - o 10am 11am 4-6 years old
 - £8.50 per session £38 for the week
 - o OR
 - o 11am 1pm 7 years old +
 - o £17 per session £76 for the week

There will be a maximum of 8 children in each group

For more details, click the image below

If you would like to enquire or book onto any group please call or text Nick on 07841 018855 or email njwood14@yahoo.co.uk





The Jolly Quaker

Friday 4th July 2025

The JQ is back in session at 7.30 pm on Friday, 4th July in the Village Hall. Come for a cold local brew and lovely summery music from Richard Cornish.

Please note two things:

- we are cashless! We do accept credit/debit cards
- we will NOT have a Jolly Quaker evening in August to give everyone a break and we'll then be back on Friday, September 5, so mark your calendars!

See you soon!

Francesca Bagneris



Concert

Music has returned to Jordans

Jordans Village lost its internationally-acclaimed musical reputation when the Mayflower Barn was sold in 2006 and the Jordans Music Club moved to Seer Green. But *music* has returned to Jordans, thanks to the professional talents of Jane Faulkner, violinist of the English Piano Trio and member of the Jordans Quaker Meeting and Esther Cavett, pianist, Jordans resident and founder of Jordans Village Performs who is a lecturer in music at Somerville, Lincoln and Jesus

colleges Oxford. Esther has written a book about Howard Skempton (*Howard Skempton:* conversations and reflections on music).

Jane and Esther have performed a number of 'Musical Reflections' concerts in the Jordans Quaker Meeting House at noonday, following the Quaker Meeting which ends at 11:30. Jane stresses that everyone in Jordans is welcome to attend and that this can be seen as an outreach to the wider community.



The most recent concert was held on a very hot Sunday 29th June; this did not deter some 35 of us from attending. And we were rewarded with an outstanding programme that was rapturously received with prolonged applause. The concert programme comprised: Sarabande by Corelli; excerpts from Mozart's Sonata in G; two short piano pieces by living composers Graham Firkin and Howard Skempton; and Grieg's final movement of Sonata in F.

What is very welcome is that this concert was attended by more people from the Jordans community than in the past. Maybe this is due to the fact that our notice appeared under a photo of the Meeting House, an inspiration by Chris Jenkins. Do tell your friends.

Many thanks to Jane and Esther for such a wonderfully varied and exciting programme.

Music has surely returned to Jordans.

Bob Redpath

Cricket Match



Our Living Village

Festival of Archaeology: Hodgemoor Woods - heritage & wellbeing!



The annual Council for British Archaeology (CBA) public Festival of Archaeology, held nationwide in July, is again running a local event this year. As the Festival theme is Archaeology & Wellbeing, what could be better than a guided walk exploring 2000 years of human

occupation within the area of Seer Green parish now covered by Hodgemoor Woods? Also with the chance for some therapeutic 'woodland bathing' or to hug a tree!

As a community-based heritage project, Our Living Village has again partnered with the Buckinghamshire Archaeology Society (BAS) to offer two walks this year, on the morning and on the afternoon of Sunday 27th July. Booking is essential as the number of attendees is restricted. However, the walks are open to the public and are bookable either from the Festival website at https://www.archaeologyuk.org/festival/festival-event-listing/hodgemoor-woods-heritage-and-wellbeing-walk.html, or directly with Buckinghamshire Archaeological Society at https://bas1.org.uk/bas-outings-july-2025. There is a small charge for non-BAS members, with money being collected on the day; this goes towards supporting the charitable objectives of the county archaeological society.

Search the full CBA event listing (https://www.archaeologyuk.org/festival.html) for other activities near to wherever you find yourself this summer.

If you are interested in this walk, or the history of Hodgemoor Woods, but are unable to book or the date does not suit, then we are always open to running similar events for small groups - please contact us via the email below.

Nigel Rothwell, <u>ourlivingvillage@hotmail.com</u> <u>www.ourlivingvillage.org</u>



Jordans "new" Village Hall Project

CAMP OUT FOR THE NEW VILLAGE HALL

CAMP OUT was the most amazing success and all the campers, as well as those who simply came along to join in, appeared to be having such a great time.

All thanks yes to the wonderful weather but primarily due to the incredible CAMP OUT Team who put into action my suggestions for activities, cooked such a delicious BBQ and manned the very well stocked bar.

Richard Cornish headlined our evening 'festival' playing brilliantly on the keyboard and as the sun faded the fire pits glowed and noble parents volunteered to cook marshmallows much to the children's delight. The campers slept waking to find the Village Shop opened for tea coffee and breakfast orders ready to be collected!

Football continued, tents gradually came down and CAMP OUT ended with all going home having had a wonderful time and knowing that wherever they had come from - our village, Seer Green, or further afield - that they had contributed to the venture to build a new JORDANS VILLAGE HALL for us all and our children to enjoy and be proud of.

Ali Cork Chair, Jordans Village Hall Trust



JORDANS FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW

Sunday 7th September 2025 ***SAVE THE DATE***

Save the date for the competition of the year! A chance to show off the flowers, fruits or vegetables you've nurtured and your prowess in the kitchen with cakes, bread, jams and chutneys! There is a range of categories for children of all ages too, including the ever-popular garden-on-a-plate and Lego model.

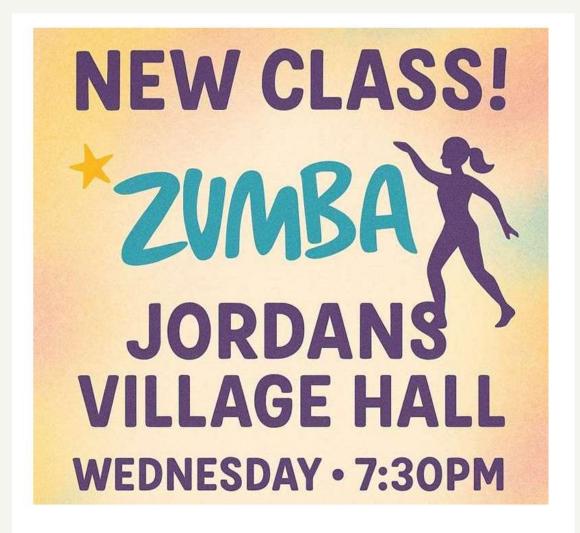
Our F&P Show is super laid back and good fun made especially so by you, the public visitors, being the judges! If you want to enter the competition, judge the prizes or just catch up with neighbours over tea and cake, then we'll see you on 7th September.

See you there!

Jordans Horticultural Society



Zumba classes in Jordans Village Hall



Tally Hance

Tally's Training

07562 369 810

https://www.facebook.com/zumbawithtally

18th & 25th June

9th 16th 23rd 30th July

Prostate Cancer - Free Blood Tests

Prostate Cancer is now the most commonly diagnosed form of cancer in the UK, with approximately 55,000 diagnoses and 12,000 deaths each year.

How many times have we heard public figures say they wish they had been tested, before it became too late? Regular testing saves lives! It is vitally important!

For any further info, feel free to contact Chris Waymouth, Jordans Village's CPCSG committee member, on 07831 309379. Chilterns Prostate Cancer Support Group.



Events Calendar

Upcoming Events

All events being held in Jordans Village Hall unless otherwise stated

- The Jolly Quaker
 - o Friday 4th July, 2025, 7:30pm 11pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
- Music on the Green
 - o Sunday 6th July, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- Biodiversity Project Open Day
 - o Saturday 12th July, 2025
 - Manor Farm Fields (North)
- Lunch Club
 - o Thursday 17th July, 2025, 1pm 3pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
- Cricket Match
 - o Sunday 10th August, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- TMC Sports Day
 - o Saturday 6th September, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- Flower & Produce Show
 - o Sunday 7th September, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- Windsor Half Marathon in aid of the Village Hall
 - o Sunday 28th September, 2025
 - Windsor Great Park
- TMC Older Children Social Event
 - o Saturday 15th November, 2025
 - Jordans Village Hall
- TMC Children's Christmas Party & Xmas Tree Lights Switch-On

o Sunday 7th December, 2025

Jordans Village Hall & Village Green

Regular Events

Jordans Meeting House

Welders Lane HP9 2SN

In Person Meetings - Sundays Weekly 10:30 am

Contact Adrienne Midgley

adriennemidgley@hotmail.com | 01753 889581

Junior Jordans Sunday School 10:30 am in the Penn Room

Contact David Matthews

07779 251107

General Enquiries & Reservations

Nina Liebenberg, Manager

office@jordansquakercentre.org | 01753 889581 | www.jordansquakercentre.org

Tai Chi / Qi Gong

Village Hall

Thursdays Weekly - 6pm to 7pm

Contact Jay Smith

smiff999@gmail.com | 07895 961105 | www.yangshengtaichi.com

Tally's Training

Village Hall

Wednesdays Weekly - 7pm to 8pm

Contact Tally about her "Zumba" dancercise classes

07562 369810 | https://www.facebook.com/zumbawithtally

The Jolly Quaker pop-up Pub

Village Hall

1st Friday Monthly from 7:30pm

Paul or Francesca on 07929 731423

Jordans Picture House

Village Hall

2nd and 4th Friday of the Month (Autumn - Spring)

Contact Alan Sealy

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

Jordans Art Group

Village Hall

Mondays weekly from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Contact Georgina Wright on 07946 382570

Toddlers in the Woods

Crutches Wood

Fridays weekly from 9:15 am - 10:15 am

Contact Ali Cork

alicork686@gmail.com | 07803 139079

The Drop In Monthly social events in the Village Hall 2pm to 4pm - all welcome!

- Thursday 11th September 2025
- Thursday 9th October 2025
- Thursday 13th November 2025
- Thursday 11th December 2025

Lunch Club

Thursdays Monthly in the Village Hall Arrive at 1pm for Lunch at 1:15pm. Cost £8

- 17th July 2025 Pat Holdsworth 07930 648485
- 18th September 2025 Heather Rowe 01494 677573
- 23rd October 2025 Alan Evers 07768 670496
- 20th November 2025 Pat Holdsworth 07930 648485
- 18th December 2025 All

Please contact the host to confirm your place by the Monday preceding the Lunch. And please give 3 days' notice if you wish to cancel. BYO Alcohol

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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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