



JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

June 2021

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The 21st June is looming large and after a beautiful Bank Holiday weekend at the end of May I think the population is champing at the bit to get fully back to normal and doing the things they love. In Jordans our residents love their gardens, and perhaps it is not surprising to see that one of the first post-lockdown events is a group of residents opening up their gardens to visitors on Sunday 4th July to help raise some money for a very worthy cause.

The first TMC event post-lockdown is set to be Music on the Green, planned for Sunday 11th July. In the meantime TMC Members have been hard at work helping Jordans School create a "Forest School" in their own grounds to help children learn more about their environment, with the kind donation of materials by the local Quaker meeting.

One of the most successful new regular events of recent times is the Jordans Picture House, which returns in September. They've selected an

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exciting mix of highly acclaimed films for the new season, so find out what they'll be showing below, watch the trailers, and book your tickets!

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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



Above: David Wooster sent me a number of beautiful images of the village, too many to publish in one go! But here is one of sun beaming through the trees in Crutches Wood.



Above: David Wooster captured the essence of the Village Green on a frosty morning in this shot_



Above & Below: These two fantastic images of a green woodpecker were sent in by Chris Waymouth, who spotted "woody" doing a great job of aerating the lawn!





EVENT
JORDANS OPEN GARDEN



DATE	START	END
04 July 2021	14:00	17:00

LOCATION: **BEACONSFIELD** ▶

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Open Gardens

There are 5 gardens in Jordans opening in aid of Air Ambulance on Sunday, 4th July from 2.00 - 5.00 pm. Spindrifft, Comely Bank, Downfield, Maxfield Cottage and Conifers.

Tickets are available on the day from Spindrifft.

Entry fee on the day

Adults – £5

Children and dogs – Free

Spindrifft, Puers Lane, HP9 2TE

A exciting garden on different levels with a surprise round every corner! Fine hedges and trees, large collection of shrubs, herbaceous borders, a landscaped dell with pond, fruits, vegetables and greenhouses with vines.

Downfield, Jordans Lane, HP9 2SW

A garden of approximately one acre, on two levels. There is a formal front and back lawn on a shallow slope with a wild patch set above a landscape dell designed to resemble a dry river bed.

Comely Bank, Wilton Lane, HP9 2RG

This garden has been re-designed and landscaped over the last 7 years. Benefiting from established trees surrounding the grounds, it now enjoys woodland gardens, combined with informal cottage planting. Separately the garden has a pond area to attract natural wildlife. A springtime joy with great displays of daffodils and tulips, followed by bright summer colours throughout all the beds and borders complemented with majestic tree

ferns.

Maxfield Cottage, Crutches Lane, HP9 2TG

Over a period of 30 years Jim and Denise have created, cared for and loved this garden. The garden wraps around the house creating different areas some broad and open, others more peaceful and intimate. Tucked behind a pergola they have created raised beds for growing vegetables, fruit and cut flowers. To the front of the house is a fairly large lawn with fruit trees at one end and surrounded by flower borders. To the side of the house there is a smaller lawn with a rockery and to the rear a further lawn with borders of flowers and shrubs.

Conifers, Crutches Lane, HP9 2TG

NEW THIS YEAR! A medium size garden containing a greenhouse, summer house, and pagoda. The garden consists of lawn, raised beds, small veg plot, flower beds and pond, there are several rhododendrons, hydrangeas perennials and spring flowers to be seen.

Directions

Upon arrival at Jordans Village, drive past the Jordans Village Estate Office on the Village Green, and turn right into Green West Rd.

Go past the Village Store and continue straight all the way to the end of the road where you will find Spindrift, tucked away on the left of the entrance to the Village School – please pay here before making your way to the remaining gardens.

Further information is available on the Air Ambulance website.

<https://www.tvairambulance.org.uk/support-us/events/jordans-open-garden/>



TMC & Quakers help Jordans School create "Forest School"

This is a great example of the work that the TMC does to help others in the community, this time with some assistance from the local Quaker meeting, and best explained through a couple of messages I received earlier in May - Ed.

From Michelle Finn to Phil George (TMC) - 15th May 2021

Dear Phil,

I wanted to thank you again and ask that you please pass on huge thanks and appreciation to the Jordans Committee, the Quakers (including Nina at the Quaker Centre) and the wonderful team who helped transport and carry the brilliant logs into our woodland earlier today!

The new logs will provide some great opportunities for our children in Forest School - including becoming shelter/den building materials, balancing logs, new habitat areas and even the fire-area markers! We are so grateful to you for sourcing and moving them for us!

I have attached some photos of the new logs in our Forest School.

Kind regards and thanks again,

Michelle Finn

From Phil George (TMC) to Michelle Finn - 17th May 2021

Hi Michelle

Thank you so much for your kind email and the photos of the Forest School at Jordans.

I have CC'd your email to Pat Holdsworth (Chair of TMC), Chris Jenkins (Secretary & Estate Manager of Jordans Village Ltd) and Nina Liebenberg (Manager at the Jordans Quaker Centre), who I would also like to thank (as well as the Quakers) for their help in sourcing logs for the Jordans Village Forest School.

The members of the TMC like nothing better than supporting and helping the local community, so we were delighted to be able to assist in such a fantastic project!

Good luck with everything and I hope the children enjoy their new outdoor classroom!

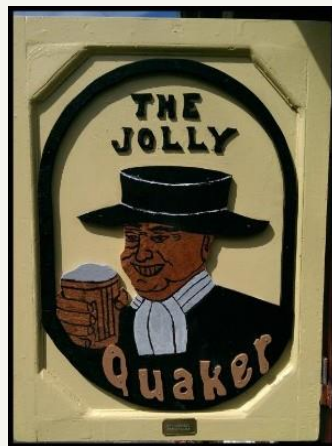
Kind regards

Phil George

(TMC Member)

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The Jolly Quaker will be back!

Although sadly at the time of writing there are a few doubts about the lifting of Covid restrictions on 21st June, with fingers firmly crossed we are hoping very much that we will be able to resume the JQ sessions soon, with the reopening event perhaps being on Friday 2nd July.

We are considering a couple of changes which will be explained in a further message once we are able to confirm the reopening date – these may include a later opening time (7:30pm instead of 7:00pm) and more importantly, going cashless (payment by

credit/debit card only).

Furthermore, we will be looking for more helpers to run these monthly events – assisting with either the setting up, the serving, or the clearing up. For six years now we've had a small band of volunteers but we really do need to share the load. It is great fun, so please do let me know if you are able to lend a hand in any way.

Looking forward to raising a glass with everyone on either 2nd July or later if it has to be that way!

Cheers

Chris Waymouth



Jordans Picture House

Picture House re-opens in September

Jordans Picture House, one of Jordans' best loved community events, will come to life again with a full house on September 10th.

At the Annual General Meeting of Jordans Picture House held on 14th May we announced the 14 films voted for by our Members for inclusion in our programme for the season September 2021 to May 2022. In order of popularity these were:-

1. **Radioactive (12A) 2019** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mU0oOUTo5zo>

Cast: Rosamund Pike; Yvette Feuer; Mirjak Novak. Director: Marjane Satrapi

The incredible true story of Marie Sklodowska-Curie and her Nobel Prize winning work that changed the world.

2. **The Good Liar (15) 2019** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U2xDIe01fFY>

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

Consummate con man Roy Courtney has set his sights on his latest mark: 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.

3. Mrs Lowry & Son (PG) 2019 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TTOiVivEmwo>

Cast: Vanessa Redgrave, Timothy Spall, Wendy Morgan. Director: Adrian Noble

A portrait of the artist L.S.Lowry and the relationship with his mother, who tries to dissuade him from pursuing his passion.

4. Grow Your Own (PG) 2018 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ffYWrpwZ7o>

Cast: Benedict Wong, Eddie Marsan, Omid Djalili. Director: Richard Laxton.

Wonderful evocation of the English Allotment scene, a community of individualists, all human life & experience is here!"

5. Official Secrets (15) 2019 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pP4zhzIyTUA>

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.

6. Maiden (15) 2018 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jaKot-dYHdM>

Director: Alex Holmes. Cast: Frank Bough, John Chittenden, Bruno Du Bois

The story of Tracy Edwards, a 24-year-old cook on charter boats, who became the skipper of the first ever all-female crew to enter the Whitbread Round the World Race in 1989.

7. Blinded by the Light (12A) 2019

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

Cast: Billy Barrat; Ronak Singh; Chadha Berges; Viveik Kalra. Director: Gurinder Chadha

In England in 1987, a teenager from an Asian family learns to live his life, understand his family and find his own voice through the music of American rock star, Bruce Springsteen.

8. The Light Between Oceans (12A) 2016

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YSX-mpsVutQ>

Cast: Michael Fassbender; Alicia Vikander; Rachel Weisz. Director: Derek Cianfrance.

A lighthouse keeper and his wife living off the coast of Western Australia raise a baby they rescue from a drifting rowing boat.

9. The White Crow (12A) 2018 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IUYPHIG8os8>

Cast: Oleg Ivenko; Ralph Fiennes; Louis Hoffman. Director: Ralph Fiennes

The story of Rudolph Nureyev's defection to the West.

10. Little Women (15) 2018 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F6_2RpKqJ7k

Cast: Saoirse Ronan; Emma Watson; Florence Pugh. Director: Greta Gerwig.

Jo March reflects back and forth on her life, telling the beloved story of the March sisters - four young women, each determined to live life on her own terms.

11. Can you Ever Forgive Me (15) 2018

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

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.

12. Eye in the Sky (15) 2018 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PxpX8-efsZI>

Cast: Helen Mirren; Aaron Paul; Alan Rickman. Director: Gavin Hood.

Col. Katherine Powell, a military officer in command of an operation to capture terrorists in Kenya, sees her mission escalate when a girl enters the kill zone triggering an international dispute over the implications of modern warfare.

13. Empire of the Sun (PG) 1987

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iWiDVA1kLY>

Cast: Christian Bale; John Malkovitch; Miranda Richardson. Director: Steven Spielberg.

A young English boy struggles to survive under Japanese occupation of China during World War II.

14. Revolutionary Road (15) 2008

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

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.

Dates & timings to be advised. For further details of these films you may find it useful to look them up on either of these websites: www.imdb.com or www.rottentomatoes.com

All current restrictions as a result of the Covid Pandemic are scheduled to be lifted on June 21st. However, there are signs that there may be some slippage on this date. At this stage, we believe that there is a very good chance that our first screening with a full audience should take place as planned. Should social distancing still be in force and our audience

restricted, our programme will be further delayed. We sincerely hope this will not happen as we are all keen to revive one of Jordans' best loved community events.

Jordans Picture House Committee: Charlotte Baggins; Lorraine Bristow; Katy Brown; Dee Pantlin; Alan Sealy; Chris Waymouth;

Our very own Community Store

What a tricky 15 months we have witnessed here at the heart of our village in our Community Store and I am delighted to say that as last month, now 18 years ago, we have emerged, not exactly triumphant, but on top.

In May 2003 we heralded the newly enlarged shop with a party. After the oldest, Christina Morley, and the youngest, Rosie Merchant, village residents had cut the tape under the watchful gaze of so many of us including shop manager Bryan Burrows and Chairman of the Shop committee Alan Sealy, we all headed out on to the Green for a picnic, a game of 5-a-side football and music and dancing. What a difference that extra space has made over the subsequent years even incorporating a much enjoyed coffee corner. Flats had been built above and really it is quite hard to recall the rather insignificant single story building that had served as the hub of our village for so many years.

Change in style, however impressive it is, and in shopping trends always result in insecurity and as the superstores drew closer our store had to establish its presence as a larger and more competitive shop and not simply a corner store to pick up a pint of milk.

17 years on and this time with no flourish or cutting of ribbon the shop was faced with re-establishing its position in the community once again and this time from the outside! We were not allowed in and all goods from a kilo of potatoes to a birthday card had to be, dare I say slung, out to the unsuspecting purchaser at the front of the queue. Yes COVID restrictions had arrived in force and the amazing staff and volunteers had to convince all, from a distance, supporting Jordans Village - now Community - Store was the way forward both for the villagers and the village.

15 months on our trading situation is better than it has been since the village got behind the shop extension 18 years ago. It is the soul and heart of our village, a rock that might get unsettled on its base at times but will always stand firm to be there for villagers old and new.

Ali Cork

JVCS Committee Member



This picture from 2003 shows Rosie Merchant at about 6 weeks old, the youngest person in the Village and Christina Morley, the oldest person in the Village at 100. Left to right: Bryan Burrows; Christina Morley; Ellie Merchant holding Rosie; Tony Alexander; Alan Sealy



Friends' Corner

by Bob Redpath

An alternative word for 'Quaker' is 'Friend'. 'Friends' Corner' lists forthcoming Quaker events at the Jordans Meeting House, which is located at the junction of Jordans Lane and Welders Lane. Nina Liebenberg can be contacted if there are queries about access to the Meeting House. (tel no. 01494 876594; email office@jordansquakercentre.org)

Jordans Meeting House

Meetings for Worship

The Jordans Meeting House is open for in-person meetings during June. 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. 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)

Blended Zoom Meetings for Worship

Concurrent with the in-person meetings in the Meeting House will be blended Zoom

Meetings for Worship. Invitations to attend will have been sent to everyone on the Jordans Meeting email list. If you wish to attend the Zoom meeting for the first time, please contact Ann Floyd (ann@quakersintheworld.org or telephone 01494 874273).

Junior Jordans Sunday School

Please contact Jo Brennan for further details (tel.no.07766 391722; email address: josephinebrennan@me.com)

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 June at 10:30am for about 40 minutes with fellowship afterwards. If you want to join us you would be most welcome. Please contact Douglas by email douglasbutterfield13@gmail.com to be sent the Zoom link for this meeting.

‘What it means to be a non-credal church’ on YouTube

In April there was a webinar about Quakers as a non-credal Church. This was a well-attended event and covered a lot of questions about what Quakers believe as Christians. Quakers are members of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and yet they do not recite a creed as part of their meetings for worship. Their basis for belief was discussed in this webinar which may be of interest to people who want to know more about Quakers. This webinar is now available on YouTube. If you are interested please contact Graham Spackman (grahams@quaker.org.uk) and he will provide the link.

Been a while since you've used the bus?



Please check that your bus pass hasn't expired before travelling

- **Renew an Older Person bus pass***

Online go to:

www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/public-transport

Use our automated telephone service:

01296 873011

- **Renew a Disabled Person bus pass**

Contact the Bus Pass Team on

01296 674747 or email

buspases@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

* If your bus pass expired more than 180 days ago, or you have moved, please contact the Bus Pass Team on 01296 674747 or email buspases@buckinghamshire.gov.uk



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Don't forget your Bus Pass

There are a number of older and disabled bus pass holders who haven't been travelling during the pandemic but whose passes will have expired within that period, and they will need to renew these before travelling again by bus.

We are sharing the poster shown above to help to spread the word.

Many thanks,

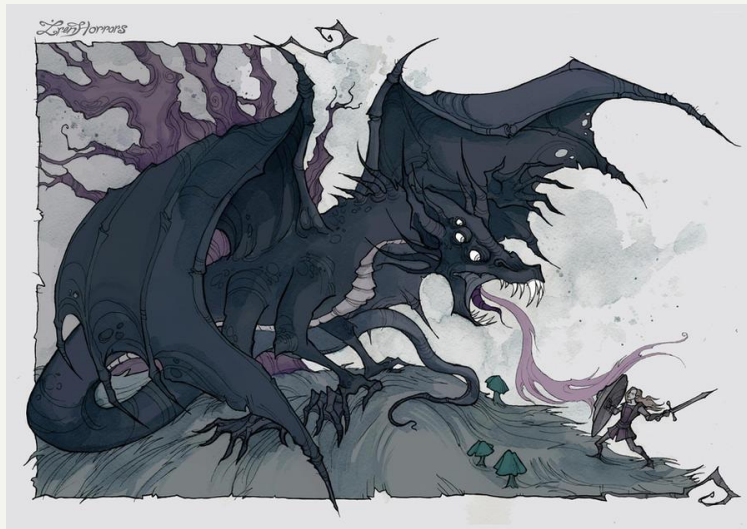
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Jabbervaccy

Reassuring thoughts from a former resident of Jordans who wishes to remain anonymous

Jabbervaccy

(after receiving the first jab at Chalfont St. Peter Hospital Dec 2020)

'Twas noonday and the ancient droves
Did sway and stumble in the Hall:
All idle were the stewards' toes;
Their legs n'er moved at all!

Beware the Jab-bervacc and bleep.
The prick that pricks, the claws that hold.
Beware such shepherds of the sheep.
Please wear a fumble-mask, as told!

She took her vaccine list in hand,

Long time the numbers took to read.
So rested I till “ a 1000 grand!”
Then spoke a frightened wheeze.

“My ticket says I’m number 4
So have I missed my ‘team’?”
The ticket brought a look that floored-
“I’m only doing ‘GREEN’!”

“And you are ‘ORANGE’, dear, she sighed
And looked as though she’d swoon!
Then “Orange 4!” a voice of pride
Called, “Come into my room.”

And as in stupor I did float.
I saw this matron, SO,
Dressed all in navy blue-and coat-
Like days of long ago.

Then as the best of nursing pride
Appeared to give my dose,
I bared my arm; eyes open wide
To Jab-bervacc, that Ghost!

One Two! One Two! And through and through..
The needle-blade went pricker-prick!
I felt no dread and nor should you—
But glided out that quick!

Friend, hast thou had the Jab-bervacc?
Come to my elbow-hugs condemned!
Oh, awesome day! Claps! Cheers! All that-
My terror is at end.

“Twas tea-time and more ancient droves
Did sway and stumble in the Hall.
My heart leapt up—I, in repose,
Drove off to tell you all.

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Paws for Thought

Picking Up After Your Dog

This month I am, as in a previous article, addressing the importance of picking up after your dog. It is evident from the number of dog poop deposits in Chalky Field, and in and around the village, that some dog owners are not acting in a responsible manner. The increase could possibly correlate with the increase in dog ownership and visitors. The residents of Copse Lane are finding that the wooden stumps that have been placed on their verges are being fouled on. The dogs themselves cannot be blamed for this habit, as dogs use their poop as a scent marker, and the higher their deposit is placed, the better the scent will travel. Some dogs will kick their back legs after defecating, as this also acts to get their scent out further. However, this does not excuse dog owners from not preventing this, or picking up, as picking up is an important and part of responsible dog ownership.

Councils require dog owners and walkers to carry at least two disposable bags per dog. If walkers are not close to a dog waste bin, the advice is to double wrap and deposit it in a normal litter bin. However, putting bags into residents' recycle bins is not acceptable. I gather, from talking to residents, that this has been happening rather a lot recently. The deplorable act of hanging bags on trees, or just leaving them lying on the ground, is still in evidence in the area. Educating children and teenagers to pick up might prove difficult, but it is something they should be encouraged to deal with.

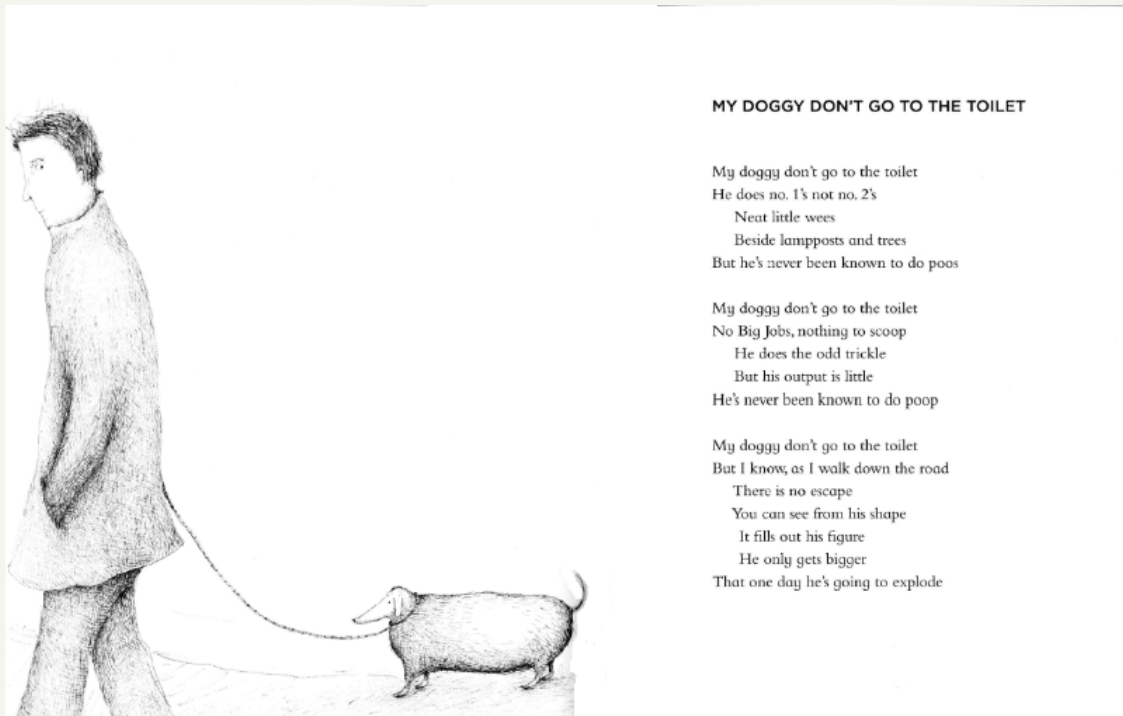
When out walking, dog owners and walkers should keep a constant eye on their dog, even when on their mobile phones or walking with others. The law states that being unaware a dog has fouled, or not having a suitable bag, is not a reasonable excuse for not picking up. Anyone who fails to clear up after their dog can be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of up to £100. If the case goes to court, this could cost the owner or person in charge of the dog up to £1000.

If you think that more laminated notices requesting dog owners and walkers to pick up after their dogs should be on display in and around Jordans, please contact Chris Jenkins at estateoffice@jordansvillage.co.uk.

This month I am including a poem by Matt Harvey aptly titled MY DOGGY DON'T GO TO THE TOILET.

Jo Bell

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[Fish-and-Chips](#)



Fish & Chips Wednesday Nights Every Week

The van stops in the layby near the cricket hut on the Village Green
between 4:30pm – 4:45pm

Call Rich on 07392 732 774 (direct line to van) to place your order
and get the exact time of arrival in Jordans

Menu: <https://howeandcofishandchips.co.uk/menu/>

Vegetarian cheese and veg cake is offered. Prices not shown on the
menu; the cod (excellent) is £5.00 and basic one-person chips is
£2.00. Mushy peas are £1.00.

Events Calendar

At last! The events calendar is back!

Open Gardens

Sunday 4th July

Spindrift, Comely Bank, Downfield, Maxfield Cottage, and Conifers

Music on the Green

Sunday 11th July

Village Green

(Subject to lockdown rules allowing this event to go ahead)

Flower & Produce Show

Sunday 5th September

Village Hall

Regular Events in the Jordans Village Hall

We expect regular events and activities to re-start after the Lockdown is lifted.

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

c.waymouth@btinternet.com | Tel: 07831 309379

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, 1pm in the Village Hall

Dates TBC

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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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