



JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

November 2022

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Welcome to the November issue of your community newsletter. After some unseasonally warm weather in October, it's feeling rather more autumnal/winterish after the clocks went back last weekend, and now that it's dark by 5pm.

But despair not, because there are always many exciting events to keep you busy, starting with [The Jolly Quaker](#) this Friday. [Jordans Picture House](#) has some great films showing in November and December at our Village Hall - details of which you'll find below. [Jordans and District Rotary Club](#) is also putting on a film night to raise money for Bucks Vision and South Bucks Riding for the Disabled on Saturday 19th November, at the National Film & TV School in Beaconsfield.

There's a [concert in aid of Ukraine](#) in the Village Hall on 6th November so please come and support them if you can. Looking further ahead, [Supper & Song](#) is fast approaching, and Stephen Salter is calling for help putting together (dare I mention it!) [Christmas Hampers](#).

After two phases of consultation, JVL Chair Bob Hall is pleased to announce [JVL's new Planning](#)

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[Policy](#) which launched last month, and Phillip Wardle brings news of efforts to reduce [speeding](#) on Jordans Lane and Twitchells Lane.

The Our Living Village project has [been in the news](#) lately, and the brains behind the project, Alan Kell, has come up with a [Quiz to test your historical knowledge](#)! Perfect for a cold, dark evening.

There's also news from the [TMC, Jordans School](#) and an insight into dog friendly wedding services from Paws for Thought! Who knew?!

Chris Jenkins, Editor

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Picture of the Month



Above & Below: Thanks to Richard Cornish who refurbished the Noticeboard, Map and fences on either side on the Estate Office, and thanks also to Sebastian Bunce who replanted our hanging baskets and planters.



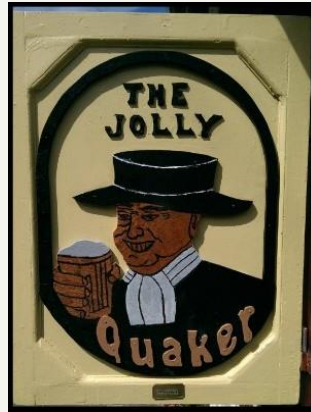
TMC News

Children's Christmas Party & Lighting of the Christmas Tree Saturday 3rd December 2022

The Childrens' Christmas Party will take place, as usual, in the Village Hall, starting at 4:00pm. We are expecting a Very Special Guest to join the children in the Village Hall. At 5:15pm he'll walk the children across the Green to the Christmas tree where another Special Guest will be waiting to turn on the lights whilst singing a well-known Christmas Carol

All are welcome to join us for the lighting of the tree and at the same time enjoy a complimentary glass of mulled wine and a mince pie.

Look out for the posters to be on display around the Village



The Jolly Quaker

The Jolly Quaker will be back on Friday, November 4 in the Village Hall. Please do come along from 7.30 - 11 pm to enjoy the beer, wine and live piano music!

In addition to a jolly evening close to home, we offer excellent value on a cheerful and family-friendly night out - especially when you think that the price of a pint is approaching the £7 mark in London - and even at some pubs here in Bucks!

Also, we would love to see more people volunteering - it would help us. If you can manage even 1 hour for set up or a shift serving beer and wine to your neighbours we'd be really excited to see you. People who prefer a later slot could come by at 10.30 and help us put away the stock...do let us know if you can help, even just once in a while would be great.

Thank you!

Francesca Bagneris & Paul Wilson, Publicans

Christmas Hampers



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Please help us fill our Christmas Hampers, we would like to give away 45 hampers to homeless, families and children that are struggling this Christmas. We deliver these to Saunderton Lodge as last year. We would like to incorporate these items or similar as below.



Tinned Sweets



Mince Pies



Biscuits



Xmas Pudding

We are also looking for ££ donations to support the purchase of wrapping paper, tape, boxes, straw and much more.

If donations can be dropped off by Saturday 26th November.

Drop off
2A Meadowside, Jordans
Stephen Salter
email@gssalter.com
07766730922

Thank you once again,
your support makes
such a difference.

Piano Pops

4 Ukraine

Concerts for all your family (ages 5+)
in aid of war refugees in the UK, consisting of
famous encores & spectacular transcriptions, played by

David Meacock

Concerts dates and venues:



Jordans Village Hall
Sunday 6 November
3:15pm



Ickenham URC
Remembrance Sunday
13 November, 3:15pm

Tickets: now to 7 days before Adult £10 & U21 £7
then £12 & £9 via www.ticketsource.co.uk/ppp4ukraine

Tickets at the door, if available, £15

Piano Pops 4 Ukraine

The music

Come and enjoy some of the most well-known and accessible piano pieces by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Debussy, Fauré, Liszt, Mozart and Saint-Saëns frequently heard on the Classic FM radio station as well as historically popular lighter salon pieces by Elgar Levitzki and

Paderewski which at one time all pianists expected to play, but are now out of fashion. Hear David's unique virtuosic versions of The Onedin Line and Deer Hunter themes, Gershwin's I got Rhythm and Scott Joplin's Maple Leaf Rag.

These recitals have been timed to enable youngsters to attend - and be inspired to learn to play the piano or an orchestral instrument – as well as to steer clear of popular evening family TV shows!

David says:

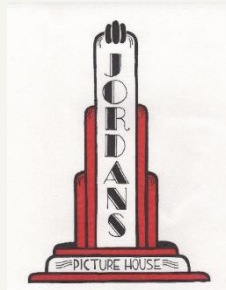
“It’s all too easy to read or listen to the News but miss the devastating personal impact of it. When we choose to clear a room to decorate it, there’s seemingly huge disruption, but at least we’re actually still in our home. How much unimaginably worse must losing your home be, fleeing your wrecked homeland and somehow survive with nothing – not knowing where your next sip of water is coming from, never mind a meal. While concerned by the so-called ‘cost of living crisis’, at least we’re not having to dodge bullets and worse.”

About David

David has appeared as a pianist and conductor abroad, in London venues and locally. In Switzerland he was favourably compared with “the Maestro of pianists Maurizio Pollini.”

Like his wife Kate, David enjoys teaching pupils of all ages and standards – see www.A1PianoLessons.com – esp. when they achieve high distinctions in piano (140+ / 150) and theory exams (90+ / 100) or just play the simplest of pieces really well for their own enjoyment as an end in itself. “Learning takes time, and patience: indeed, I feel I’m still learning myself!”

David studied at the Royal Academy of Music while at Dr Challoner’s Grammar School, and then at the Royal College of Music. David has a Masters degree in Piano Performance from Reading University. His top UK teachers included Iris du Pre (mother of the world-famous ‘cellist Jacqueline), Eric Hope (as his only child pupil), Kendall Taylor, Philip Fowke and Liszt’s Grand-pupil Charles Proctor.

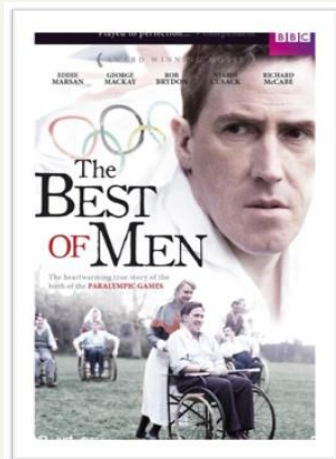


Jordans Picture House

A SPECIAL EVENT

AS OUR SEASON CONTINUES

ON NOVEMBER 11th



On Friday November 11th we shall screen “The Best of Men”. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m.

Prior to the film, we will be delighted to welcome our guest speaker Dr. Allison Graham, Clinical Director at the world-famous National Spinal Injuries Centre, Stoke Mandeville. She will give a presentation describing the history of the NSIC and the outstanding work initiated there by Professor Sir Ludwig Guttmann, as shown in the film and which led to the creation of the Paralympic Games.

Best of Men (12) 2012 Awards: 1 Win Nominations 2. IMDB score 79 %

: Rob Brydon, Eddie Marsan, George MacKay; Bebe Saunders; Leigh Quinn. Director: Tim White
1943, a refugee doctor from Nazi Germany uses new methods to rehabilitate those with spinal injuries at Stoke Mandeville, founding the Paralympic Games.

[://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1mHP8mZckOE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1mHP8mZckOE)



On Tuesday November 22nd we shall screen “Dream Horse”. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m.

am Horse (PG) 2020 Awards: 1 Win. Rotten Tomatoes Audience Score 97%

t: Toni Collette, Damian Lewis, Owen Teale, Sian Phillips. Director: Euros Lyn

inspiring true story of an unlikely racehorse bred by a small town bartender with very little money no experience, who persuades her neighbours to chip in to help and compete with the racing elites
ir investment pays off as the horse becomes a beacon of hope in their struggling community.

[s://www.imdb.com/video/vi686014489?ref=nm_sr_srsg_1](https://www.imdb.com/video/vi686014489?ref=nm_sr_srsg_1)



**On Friday December 9th we shall screen “West Side Story”. Doors open at 7:15 p.m.
and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m.**

**West Side Story (12A) 2021 Awards : 1 Oscar, Wins: 67. Nominations: 276 Rotten Tomatoes
Critics Score 94%**

Cast: Ansel Elgort; Rachel Zegler; Ariana DeBose. Director: Stephen Spielberg.

A modern-day adaptation of the 1957 musical, West Side Story explores forbidden love and the rivalry between the Jets and the Sharks, two teenage street gangs of different ethnic backgrounds.

Source: IMDB

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A5GJLwWiYSg>

HOW TO BUY TICKETS (Adults £8.00, U15s £5)

Online:

Jordans Box Office:
(Alan Sealy)

Seer Green Box Office:
(Gill Pettman)

Go to www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk

See “Programme & Buying Tickets”

Email: alan@janetsealypartnership.com

Phone: 01494 873205

Email: gillyp4@btinternet.com

Phone: 01494 678050



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Jordans Historic Buildings

A study of some of the iconic historic buildings from the village of Jordans.



Seer Green Historic Buildings

A study of some of the most long standing Buildings in the village of Seer Green.

Work In Progress



Music, Literature & Art

A study of the history of music, literature and the arts in our two villages, including the profiling of famous residents of years gone by.



Education



Religion in Our Two Communities



Industry, Trade & Commerce

Our Living Village - Recent Developments

Our Living Village – Quiz No. 1

How well do you know the history of the villages of Seer Green and Jordans? Well here's our first quiz to test your knowledge, with questions relating to the three new themes that have recently been uploaded to the Our Living Village website www.ourlivingvillage.org.

Our Village Pubs

1. How many pubs were there in Seer Green in 1900? Which one was the oldest?
2. Which family ran The Jolly Cricketers for 160 years?
3. Where and when can you finally get a drink in Jordans?

The Manor of Seer Green

4. Seer Green is not explicitly mentioned in the Domesday Book, probably because it formed part of which Manor?
5. In what year was the hamlet of Seer Green first recorded as La Sere in a Close Roll of Henry III?
6. The first distinct mention of La Sere as a manor comes in the Calendar of Close Rolls produced in 1284. For which king?

Origins

7. Between 2.5 million and 10,000 years ago, as the glaciers retreated to the north which river deposited the surface gravels which exist across much of our area?
8. Where does the recently discovered Roman road run through Seer Green, and how was it discovered?
9. Who was the wonderful 1753 estate map of Seer Green produced for? Which feature in the map is called Coat Wicks?

And finally...

10. Which organisation partnered with the Seer Green & Jordans Society to deliver the Our Living Village project?

All answers can be found at www.ourlivingvillage.org, but they will also be published in next month's Newsletter.

Alan Kell, Seer Green & Jordans Society

ourlivingvillage@hotmail.com



Speeding along Jordans Lane and Twitchells Lane

Speeding motorists along Jordans Lane and Twitchells Lane are not a new problem. A hard-fought previous campaign resulted in the speed limit along the most dangerous stretch being reduced to 30mph, but many exceed that. Surprisingly there have been no serious collisions, bar one during the summer. We are still losing pets to these offenders; and those with pets will understand just how tough that is.

A new campaign has been launched. The simple answers so far are that Bucks Council will not place Vehicle Activated Speed Signs (VASS) because the problem doesn't meet the criterion, i.e. no fatal accidents. It's madness that we need to wait for that. We have asked the police to look at mounting enforcement patrols, however following a risk assessment it was deemed unsuitable, there being nowhere to safely pull over offending drivers.

Our Parish Council is supportive and has asked that we cut back our hedges to increase field of vision, especially along Twitchell and Jordans Lanes. They are also looking at increasing road signs to make drivers more aware of the need to slow down and ultimately, we will be aiming to

reduce the limit to 20mph.

And so we have joined and set up Community Speedwatch for Jordans & Seer Green. The purpose is mainly to educate but also provide us with valuable data to support our arguments for safer roads. Please follow the link to read more about it. <https://communityspeedwatch.org/FRONT-v2-Home.php>

We are now registered, and our designated administrator has completed the online training. What we need next are volunteers. Once you have read and understand the purpose of this scheme, if you wish to help, please email the Estate Office with your details and we will be in touch.

With sufficient evidential data on speeding, we will be going back to Bucks Council to review their policy on placing VASS signs.

JORDANS VILLAGE 20mph is not a target!

Some residents and visitors to Jordans are equally poor at driving safely on our private roads within the village, but worse by far are parents doing the school runs to the Village.

As with the council's approach do we want to wait until someone is injured or worse, or a pet is killed? Surely not!

What can you do?

- Get in touch if you want to help
- Advice contractors working at your home we will not tolerate speeding
- Please slow down and as it says above, 20mph is not mandatory, we can all drive slower.
- Cut back hedges

Phillip Wardle

Jordans School News



Jordans School



Our Forest School Learning



It has been an amazing Autumnal half term with our Year 2 Deer Class in Forest School! We have been able to observe seasonal changes week-by-week as the woodland floor has become increasingly covered in lovely natural materials for exploring and creating. The children have made all sorts of creations from little conker characters to large branch dens big enough for a group to huddle inside!



Over this block of sessions, Forest School has provided Deer Class with opportunities to show "courage" by trying new things - including the use of tools and fire-lighting. Feeling success and engaging in (well managed) risky activities supports the develop of children's self-esteem, resilience and independent risk management.



Following sessions and discussions around fires in the build-up to bonfire night (and the forthcoming Y2 topic on the Great Fire of London), the children had the opportunity to try lighting a tiny fire of their own using a fire steel (they preferred the name "dragon breath" or "dragon sneeze"). It is tricky to produce a spark, but they showed perseverance, encouraged others in their group and had 1-1 support to be successful in the task. Fire creates an elemental sense of wonder - seeing the joy in the children's faces as their "cloud" or "fairy blanket" of cotton wool ignited was certainly a highlight of our Forest School sessions!



Our half-term of Deer Forest School sessions came to a conclusion with the children enjoying their (self-initiated) early Halloween Forest School session! They used skills and activities they have developed over previous sessions to create their "Haunted House", mix potions in the "Witches' Kitchen", made a giant spider - complete with a pink string web and created some self-tied broomsticks worthy of a Harry Potter story!



Well done Deer Class!



JVL's new planning statement

It was at the beginning of 2021 that JVL started to review its planning policies. JVL has always had the power to control development in the village through its ownership of certain properties, clauses in the leases of houses on long leases, or through the Management Scheme for most freehold houses. While the operation of any planning controls is not going to satisfy everyone, some residents have criticised JVL over its planning policies, and it decided that a comprehensive review was necessary.

During 2021 we discussed JVL's existing policies, and in November 2021 residents had an opportunity to comment when a consultation paper asking six key questions was published. We held a public meeting, and over 30 residents sent written comments, many of them very detailed and thoughtful. JVL's Planning Sub-Committee worked through them, and produced a draft of the new planning policies, which was published in August 2022, inviting further comments from residents. Eight people submitted comments, and a number of changes were made to the draft. The revised draft was approved by the Management Committee in September, and now forms the basis for JVL's decisions on planning applications.

The new policies have some important changes:

- Sustainability now plays an important part
- The policy on maintaining a balance between large and small houses has been removed
- A mediation process has been introduced for applicants who are dissatisfied with JVL's decisions
- In addition to the planning policies (which JVL uses as the basis for its decisions), planning guidelines are now included to give applicants advice on what JVL regards as good practice in the village.

This has proved to be the most comprehensive review of planning policies carried out by JVL in many years, and we would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the process. We hope that the result will provide the village with a firm foundation for deciding when changes are – and are not – desirable and justified. The new JVL Planning Position Statement is available online at:

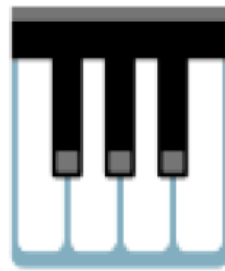
http://www.jordansvillagelimited.co.uk/uploads/3/4/9/8/34983149/jvl_planning_policy_october_2022.pdf

Robert Hall, Chair, Jordans Village Limited

Supper & Song

**Jordans Players Present
Your Local Christmas Show!**

Supper and Song



The date: **Saturday 10th December**

The venue: **Jordans Village Hall, 7.00pm for
7.30pm (please note start time!)**

Tickets price £10 will be on sale in the Shop on
Saturday 19th November, from 9.30am to 12 noon.
After that date please contact Nigel Morgan 01494
672416

Hot meal included. Bring your own drinks (glasses
provided)

Volunteers welcome to entertain and/or amuse: by
song, instrumental, sketch, poetry, prose, etc.

Offers please to Alan Sonnex (874536)

Rotary Club Film Night



ROTARY CLUB OF
JORDANS & DISTRICT

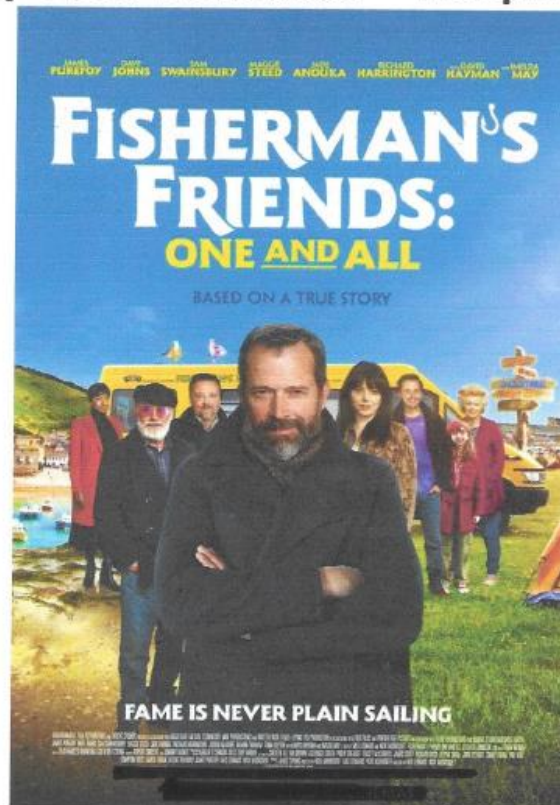


SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



Service Above Self

Charity Film Night
for Bucks Vision & South Bucks Riding for the Disabled
Saturday 19th November – 7.00pm for 8.00pm



**Beaconsfield National Film and Television School,
Station Road Beaconsfield HP9 1LG**
For tickets contact Jenny Owen 01494 677571/ 07707 386415
Cost £16 to include a glass of wine and nibbles
cheques payable to Jordans Rotary Trust or cash



Paws for Thought **Man's Best Man**

My topic for this month is how, since lockdown ended, there appears to be an increased tolerance as to where dogs can accompany their owners. For example, some offices, even in London, are giving their employees the option of bringing their dog to work with them on specified days. I'm not convinced that these dogs enjoy travelling on both overground and underground trains, but it saves the cost of day care, and no doubt there will be some dogs that enjoy the experience. Some large department stores have also become dog friendly, such as John Lewis, who, since lockdown ended, have allowed dogs into their shops.

But one of the more amusing developments I discovered, is the emergence of companies offering dog friendly wedding day services. Now couples that would like their dog to be present on their wedding day can have their dog escorted by its own personal chaperone. These chaperone services offer highly individual all-inclusive wedding day support for those that would love to include their dog on their big day. The packages offered can be adapted to suit the needs of the couple. The dog could be presented on the day as a guest, or part of the bridal party, or even act as a ring bearer!

After a consultation with the chaperone provider, a bespoke schedule will be created. Accommodation in the form of home boarding the nights before and after the wedding, along with walks, can be included, as well as transportation to and from the venue. The chaperone will also coordinate with the photographer and assist with the wedding photo shoot. The dog will be suitably adorned with the appropriate accessories, such as bow ties, or a flower embellished hair band, depending on the gender of the dog.

The cost of this kind of service varies, depending on what is required. Most chaperone providers are already licensed and insured for home boarding, overnight pet sitting, day care and dog walking. But as an example, one company I found offered what they called a 'Platinum Package', which included 4 additional walks, a deluxe grooming session, a photo shoot, and home boarding for £495.

However, since starting to write on these services, things have changed, due to the economic crisis. Some people are going to find it hard to afford the expenses involved in keeping a

dog. Hopefully there won't be an excess of dogs being abandoned due to this, as there was after lockdown.

Lastly just a reminder that with bonfire night approaching, please show consideration and be courteous to your neighbours if they have, or look after dogs, by informing them of the times you are having your display. This will give them the opportunity to prepare a safe place for their dog/s during the display, bearing in mind that a lot of dogs are absolutely petrified by the loud bangs that accompany fire work displays.

Jo Bell



Events Calendar

The Jolly Quaker

Friday 4th November 2022 from 7:30 pm

Jordans Village Hall

Concert in aid of Ukraine

Sunday 6th November 2022 from 3:15 pm

Jordans Village Hall

Jordans School Tea Party

Tuesday 8th November @ 2pm

Jordans Village School, Puers Lane

Jordans Picture House

Friday 11th November 2022 from 7:15 pm

Tuesday 22nd November 2022 from 7:15 pm

Friday 9th December 2022 from 7:15 pm

Jordans Village Hall

Children's Christmas Party & Christmas Tree Lights

Saturday 3rd December 2022

Supper & Song

Saturday 10th December 2022

Regular Events in Jordans

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 6 pm & 7 pm classes

Contact Keith Fensom

keith.fensom@gmail.com | 07787 224823 | www.yangshengtaichi.com

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

Contact Alan Sealy

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

Toddlers in the Woods

Crutches Wood

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

Contact Ali Cork

alicork686@gmail.com | 07803 139079

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 November

15th December

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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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