



JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

November 2023

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Welcome to the November edition of your community newsletter!

The [Jolly Quaker](#) is our well-established pop-up pub night and last month's gourmet food evening was a great success. publicans Paul Wilson and Francesca Bagneris really need some more volunteers to keep it running smoothly - can you help?

Having played a small part in getting the [Our Living Village](#) project off the ground, I was delighted to hear that Alan Kell was presented with Buckinghamshire Archaeological Society's 2023 Prize for the project on behalf of the Seer Green & Jordans Society in partnership with the Chiltern Society. His vision has created a superb legacy which will carry on growing, and is a great resource for anyone looking for information about our two villages. Well done Alan and team!!

Having attended the village concert with my wife Florina, I also wanted to touch on the wonderful concerts that Esther Cavett and Bob Hall organise. Jordans has a rich history of musical talent, with many residents involved in providing aural entertainment over the years - and some internationally famous musicians too. [Katherine Bradnock has written a lovely](#)

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[article](#) about the current organisers which you'll find below, and if you click on the image heading it you'll be able to watch a short video from the recent concert.

This issue contains details of many other events to amuse you as the autumn nights draw in so please read on...

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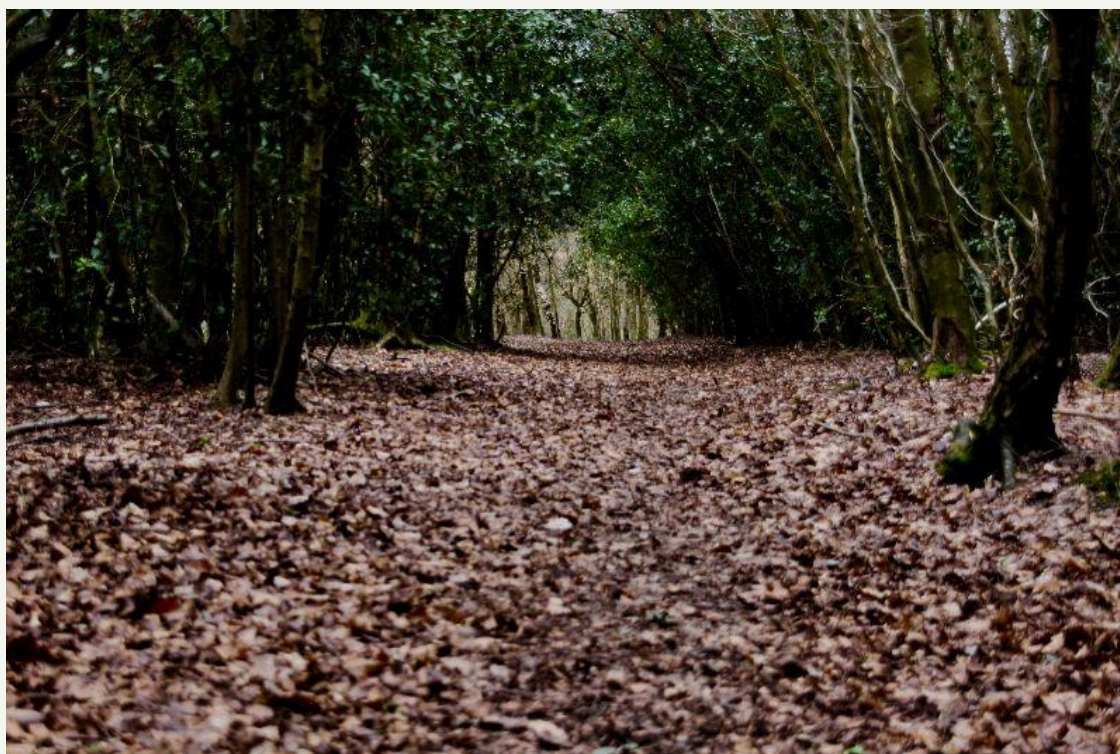
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Pictures of the Month



Above: David Wooster took this lovely shot of the natural tunnel that runs through Crutches Wood

Below: Well done to everyone who braved the wet weather for the Halloween "Trunk or Treat" event!



The Jolly Quaker

Jolly Quaker from 7pm on 3rd November

Coming Friday, November 3 the Jolly Quaker is back in the village hall, with beer, wine and the piano stylings of Richard Cornish and Alec Penny!

All are welcome - we hope to see you from 7.30 - 11 pm next Friday.

See you there!

Francesca Bagneris & Paul Wilson, Publicans

Guys, The Jolly Quaker really needs more volunteers.



Are you **new to Jordans** and looking to meet your neighbours?
Want to **connect with the community** but don't have much time?
Retired and ready to **relax and enjoy the village** a bit more?

Come be a part of Jordans' rollicking monthly pub night! The JQ is a monthly fundraiser for the Jordans Village Shop and **WE can only exist with YOUR help!**

The JQ is on the first Friday of the month in the Village Hall. You can help us set up from 6-7.30 pm, work a 1-2 hour shift behind the bar or, if you're more the late-night type, help us close up from 10.30-11.30pm pm.

Email JordansJollyQuaker@gmail.com for a **commitment-free** chat with Paul or Francesca.



Manor Farm Field Biodiversity Project

Manor Farm Field Biodiversity Project Volunteer Event

Saturday 4th November 10am - 1pm

Our next volunteer event will be this Saturday when we will be creating more seed beds and sowing wildflower seeds along with other tasks. There will be a mix of light and heavy activities so something to suit all abilities. We will be on the field 10am - 1pm, you are welcome to come for all or just some of this time. Please dress for the weather including sturdy waterproof footwear and bring gardening gloves. Refreshments provided but please bring a mug.

It's helpful to know how many people to expect so please be in touch

jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com or call Emma on 07940 816710

Follow us on Instagram at [Instagram.com/jordans_biodiversity_project](https://www.instagram.com/jordans_biodiversity_project)

Manor Farm Fields Photography

We're looking for a keen photographer to help us to keep a record of how the grassland and hedgerows of Manor Farm Field change as a result of our efforts to increase the biodiversity of the field. This will involve taking photographs from specific spots in the field each month (with flexibility if this is too much of a commitment) to build up a record of the changes seasonally and as the project progresses. No professional equipment needed, just the means to take a digital image and upload it into a Google folder.

Please be in touch if you are interested or have any questions. Or pop along to the field on Saturday morning (4th November) and we can explain more.

Bob Hall & Jordans Biodiversity volunteer group



Jordans Village Performs

When I was first introduced to Jordans in 1969 it was a delight to discover a village with music making at its core. Many talented families lived on the estate and organised, performed or conducted recitals, concerts, Christmas carols, Supper and Song and other musical activities. Names such as Nash, Padday, Dodd, Roseveare, Cavett, Morley, Penney, Bradnock spring to mind – others may recall more.

Music in Jordans has had its ebbs and flows through the years but the strong threads have held, and the traditional concept of “Jordans Village Performs” has been wonderfully resurrected by Esther Cavett and a group of supporters both in Jordans and Seer Green.

The first concert in this year’s series, in the Village Hall on Saturday 30th September, was a delight. Esther (piano) on the new Yamaha kindly funded by a legacy from Mel Nash, and her friend Barbara Brown (flute) treated us to a fascinating and uplifting programme which included solo works each for piano (Scarlatti and Messaien) and flute (Debussy and Roussel) as well as duets for both by Bach, Poulenc, Messaien, Druce and Faure. The audience was entranced not only by the professionalism of Esther and Barbara but also by the contrast between the vigour and excitement of some pieces and the ethereal quality of others. Either click the image above or [click HERE](#) for a beautiful example.

Esther is well known as a Jordans resident. She teaches at Oxford University and plays piano in a variety of community settings, including an outreach project in London. This concert was a repeat of one she presented with Barbara in Jordans nearly forty years ago in the presence of her grandparents Jim and Eileen Cavett.

Barbara comes from Aberdeen but now lives in Poole and is currently Professor of flute at Southampton University. She was in the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra for nine years, and has played with all the major London orchestras and with Welsh National Opera, and gives regular recitals for BSO ArtReach.

Esther comments *“We want these events to be accessible to everyone but also to acknowledge the*

skills and dedication of the musicians who visit us by paying them something and to cover their expenses. There are also ongoing running costs. We are asking a minimum of £8 per head for attendance. If you cannot manage this please do still come along and contribute what you can. Donations can also be made at the door by card or cash. Complimentary interval drinks will be available.”

We are indeed very blessed to have the opportunity to experience wonderful music in our own village hall. Further programme and dates are listed in the Village Newsletter. The next concert will be on Saturday 20th January 2024 and is the annual opportunity for local amateur musicians of all ages to perform music they enjoy.

For more information email: jordansmusicperforms@gmail.com

Katherine Bradnock

Jordans Village Hall Trust

WANTED!

Experienced fund raiser to join an exciting team about to embark on raising funds to build a brand new Village Hall.

A Village Hall that will be economic to run, cater for all in our village and be a pioneer in what can be provided for an active and enthusiastic community as ours in Jordans.

Please step up to the challenge and contact me at alicork686@gmail.com for more information as to what is involved.

Ali Cork, Chair
Jordans Village Hall Trust



Our Living Village

Our Living Village– County Recognition and Award

Well, we did it! Against fierce competition from many of the largest and longest established societies in Buckinghamshire, the Seer Green & Jordans Society in partnership with the Chiltern Society has been awarded the Bucks Archaeological Society's 2023 Prize for the "Our Living Village" project. In announcing the award winner, Sandy Kidd of Historic England praised our project as a wonderful example of community engagement and ambition, showing the way forward for innovative local history research into the twenty-first century.

The award was presented by the well-known local historian and author Julian Hunt, and accepted by Alan Kell on behalf of the two villages and the whole project team. Very appropriately, the award comprised a beautiful trophy hand-turned from "green" wild cherry wood as well as a certificate and a substantial cheque.

"I'm enormously proud to accept this amazing recognition and award from the Bucks Archaeological Society," said Alan. "It's been an amazing journey with so many people from our two villages contributing to its success. But we're not yet finished as we've still got a number of important village themes to complete and upload to the Our Living Village website. And of course, village history never stops so we continue to seek the active involvement and support of our two wonderful communities".

Earl Howe, the Patron of the Chiltern Society, has previously acknowledged the project's achievements as follows: *"May I just say, having worked my way through the Our Living Village website, that I think it is a triumph"*.

Please do visit the site and share with us your thoughts.

Alan Kell, Seer Green & Jordans Society

Jordans features prominently in the Our Living Village project which recently received the award to which Alan Kell, OBE refers above. In particular, take a look at what there is concerning our village under these headings: Jordans Historic Buildings; Music, Literature and Art; the Jordans Village Timeline; Religion In Our Two Communities; and items 31 to 41 of the Wilder Side of Seer Green and Jordans!

Coming soon will be: a Jordans Heritage Walk; Lives Well Lived, about notable people who lived in or were associated with Jordans; and Education. As Alan says, please visit the site and let us have your thoughts.

Website: www.ourlivingvillage.org

Contact email: ourlivingvillage@hotmail.com

Nigel Morgan



Alan Kell being Presented with the Award by Julian Hunt, President of the Bucks Archaeological Society, 7 Oct 23



The Our Living Village Stand at the Bucks Local History Conference & Fair - 7 Oct 23

Supper & Song

Jordans Players Present

Your Local Christmas Show!

Supper and Song



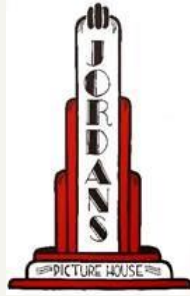
The date: **Saturday 9th December**

The venue: **Jordans Village Hall, 7.00pm for 7.30pm**

Tickets price **£10** will be on sale in the Shop on **Saturday 18th 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)



Jordans Picture House

OUR PROGRAMME CONTINUES ON NOVEMBER 10th

Jordans Picture House will be supporting Wycombe Homeless Connection in December by donating ALL our ticket revenue that month to WHC. This is in response to their recent appeal that stated:-

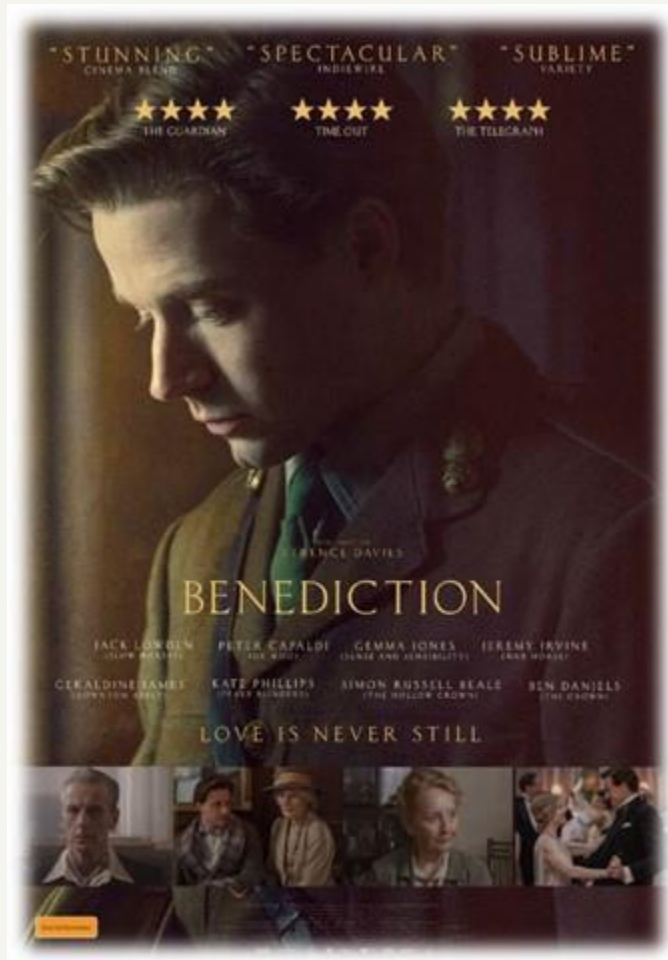
“The need for our services has tripled but donations have halved.”

Please, please support homeless people this winter by making your own individual donations in November and December.

To facilitate this and to maximise our total donations we have added a special button to the JPH website for November and December, which will switch you directly to the charity's donation page. There you can decide how much you would like to donate and by ticking Yes to Gift Aid – assuming you are a UK taxpayer – you can add an additional 25% to the value of your donation.

Last year Jordans Picture House, with generous support from you all, managed to donate £600.

This year – with your help – we aim to donate **significantly** more.



On Friday November 10th we shall screen “Benediction,” in recognition of Remembrance Sunday. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m.

Benediction (12A) 2021 Awards: 9 Wins & 20 Nominations. Rotten Tomatoes Critics Score 93%.

Cast: Jack Lowden; Thom Ashley; Orlando Jopling. Director: Terence Davies

Legendary 20th century war poet Siegfried Sassoon’s lifelong quest for personal salvation through his experiences with family, war, his writing and destructive relationships goes unresolved, never realising it can only come from within. (Source IMDB)



On Tuesday November 21st we shall screen “The Banshees of Inisherin”. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m.

The Banshees of Inisherin (15) 2022 Awards: Nominated for 9 Oscars, 141 Wins & 339 Nominations. Rotten Tomatoes Critics Score 96%.

Cast: Colin Farrell; Brendan Gleeson; Kerry Condon. Director: Martin McDonagh.

Two lifelong friends find themselves at an impasse when one abruptly ends their relationship with alarming consequences for both of them. (Source IMDB)



On Friday December 8th we shall screen “What’s Love Got To Do With It?” – a particularly amusing and uplifting film for the festive season. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m.

What’s Love Got To Do With It? (12A) 2022 Rotten Tomatoes Audience Score: 88%

Cast: Mim Shaikh; Iman Boujelouah; Lily James; Emma Thompson. Director: Shekhar Kapur

In London, an award-winning documentary film-maker documents her best friend’s journey into an assisted marriage in line with his family’s Pakistani heritage. In the process she challenges her own attitudes towards relationships. (Source IMDB)

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

Online:	Go to www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk See “Programme & Buying Tickets”
Jordans Box Office: (Alan Sealy)	Email: alan@janetsealypartnership.com Phone: 01494 873205
Seer Green Box Office: (Gill Pettman)	Email: gillyp4@btinternet.com Phone: 01494 678050





Jordans Tennis Club

ANNUAL SUPPER
Saturday 11th November

Location: Jordans Village Hall

Date: Saturday November 11th

Time: 19:00 - 24:00 hrs

Reservations: email jim.newport@btinternet.com Telephone: 07507 336757

Cost: £20/member includes food and all drinks
(Limited number of non-tennis club guests allowed at the same rate).

Rotary Club Quiz Night



ROTARY CLUB OF JORDANS AND DISTRICT
Fun and Friendship

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 17th November at 7.00 for 7.30
Jordans Village Hall, Green West Road, Jordans
Hot Supper (main and dessert)
Prizes and raffle
Bar (cash or card) serving wine, beer & soft drinks

Tables available for teams of 8 (£120 per table)

To book a table e-mail Jenny Owen at
owentoadhall@btinternet.com

Payment by 6th November please. Please advise
if vegetarian option required

All proceeds to Charities supported by Rotary

Wreath Making Workshop

Christmas is just around the corner and what better way to welcome people through your door than with a personalised Christmas wreath! Flowers by Elizabeth are running a wreath making workshop in the village hall on November 26th between 2 & 4 pm. Spaces are limited so book early to avoid disappointment!!

Thanks
Dave McInnes



CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

With Flowers By Elizabeth

£40 PP

26TH NOVEMBER || 2PM - 4PM

JORDANS VILLAGE HALL, GREEN WEST ROAD, HP9 2SY

To book your place -

Call - 07863221838


or

Email - flowersbyelizabethmc@gmail.com



Jordans Quaker Meeting House

Retreat Days



UPLIFTING AND NURTURING RETREAT DAYS



Practise healing qigong style.
Learn some acupressure for common ailments.
Receive a NADA ear acupuncture group treatment
Immerse in meditation.

**At The Jordans Quaker Centre
Welders Lane
HP92SN, Jordans
Beaconsfield**

organised by Gill Croft;
a local practitioner of Acupuncture, Shiatsu and Reiki
at www.triyoga.co.uk
and trainer of Chi Gong and Auricular Acupuncture at
www.nadagbacupuncture.co.uk

£50 (£35 concs) per day

SEPTEMBER 23
OCTOBER 28
NOVEMBER 18

to book: email gillcroft8@gmail.com

Everyone is welcome. No previous experience necessary.
Please bring your lunch.

See you there!



**Talks and Workshops open to all to be held at
The Jordans Quaker Centre
Arranged by the Thames Valley Dowsing Group**

Sunday 19th November:

Nicky Batt will be holding a workshop on **Colour Therapy** starting at 2 pm
She will explain how colour works and impacts our body - How colour transforms and heals -
Popular colours and their meanings and how we can use colour in our daily life to support and
empower us.

Refreshments are available and included at both events:

Open to non-members of TVD and suitable for beginners with no dowsing experience.

Please book and pay your £7 to reserve your place via Susan Scott-Powell

chair@thamesvalleydowsers.org.uk

All are welcome

More events see www.thamesvalleydowsers.org.uk



Village Concert

Jordans Concert, Saturday 20th January 2024

What would you like to do? Play an instrument, sing a song, read a poem ...? We're holding the annual Jordans scratch concert at the end of January, and we welcome performers of all ages and standards. It is always a relaxed and enjoyable occasion, with a friendly and supportive audience.

If you would like to take part, or find out more, do get in touch with me (Telephone 01494 873186). There will be more details in future village newsletters.

Bob Hall

Thanks for Donations



Thanks to everyone who donated toward the appeal to help those in Libya - we filled a van!

Stephen Salter



happy 
CHRISTMAS

Following the success after all your help last year, please help us fill more Christmas Hampers for families that are struggling again this year. Working with a local school to determine the most needy, we will make 15 hampers this year, as detailed below.

We are looking for donations of any items that can give a child and parent a smile on Christmas Day. We include mince pies, Christmas cake, stuffing, chutneys, sweets, pickles, crackers and gifts.

We carefully arrange a drop off with the school around the 14th December.

Please help us fill the Christmas Hampers for the families and children that are struggling this year.

These are the Hampers we are making.

Hamper 1, (2 Hampers)	7 year old boy, two 12 year old girls and three teenage children – 2 adults
Hamper 2	7 year old girl – 2 adults
Hamper 3	7 year old girl – 1 adult
Hamper 4	5 year old girl + 12 year old boy – 1 adult (mum)
Hamper 5	9 year old boy – 1 adult (mum)
Hamper 6	11 year old girl + 13 year old boy – 2 adults
Hamper 7	11 year old boy – 1 adult
Hamper 8	11 year old boy, 9 year old boy and 6 year old girl – 1 adult
Hamper 9	5 year old girl – 1 adult
Hamper 10	6 year old girl – 1 adult
Hamper 11	9 year old boy and 6 year old girl and 2 adults
Hamper 12	6 year old girl + 13 year old boy – 2 adults
Hamper 13	9 year old girl + 13 year old boy – 1 adult
Hamper 14	10 year old girl + 12 year old boy – 2 adults

**Thank you for
supporting us
again...**



**Drop off points, by latest
26th November**

Ray Munn
Conifers
Crutches Lane
Jordans Village
07956 877509

Stephen Salter
2A Meadowside
Jordans
07766 730922

Events Calendar

- ***The Jolly Quaker***
 - *Friday 3rd November 2023 from 7:30 pm*
 - Jordans Village Hall
- ***Manor Farm Fields Biodiversity Project***
 - *Saturday 4th November 2023 from 10am to 1pm*
 - Manor Farm Fields (North)
- ***Jordans Picture House***
 - *Friday 10th November 2023 from 7:15pm*
 - *Tuesday 21st November from 7:15pm*
 - *Friday 8th December from 7:15pm*
 - Jordans Village Hall
- ***Tennis Club Supper***
 - *Saturday 11th November 2023*
 - Jordans Village Hall
- ***Rotary Club Quiz Night***
 - *Friday 17th November 2023 arrive 7pm for 7:30pm start*
 - Jordans Village Hall
- ***Retreat Days***
 - *Saturday 18th November 2023*
 - Jordans Quaker Meeting House, Welders Lane
- ***Thames Valley Dowers***
 - *Sunday 19th November 2023*
 - Jordans Quaker Meeting House, Welders Lane
- ***Wreath Making Workshop***
 - *Saturday 26th November 2023*
 - Jordans Village Hall
- ***Children's Christmas Party & Christmas Tree Lights***
 - *Saturday 2nd December 2023*
 - Jordans Village Hall & Green
- ***Supper & Song***
 - *Saturday 9th December 2023*
 - Jordans Village Hall
- ***Concerts***
 - *Saturday 20th January 2024*
 - Jordans Village Hall
 - Our annual opportunity for local amateur musicians of all ages and abilities to play music they enjoy
 - *Saturday 10th February 2024*
 - Jordans Village Hall
 - Cai Waiverley- Hudson, cello and Cello and Bass duo 'L'espoir' (Cai Waiverley-Hudson and Jude Chandler) weave together old and new music,

folk tunes, new commissions, baroque sonatas and improvisation. Cai and Esther will also perform some Cello and piano music

- **Saturday 20th April 2024**
 - Jordans Village Hall
 - Amazing pianists, Hannah Watson and Maria del Mar Umbert Kimura (Somerville College)

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 Ruth Stephenson

ruth@resms.co.uk | 07899 861814 | 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

November 16th - Pat Holdsworth 01494 874565

December 14th - All

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

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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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