



JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

September 2023

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Welcome to the September edition of your community newsletter! We finally had some good weather and the [cricket match](#) went ahead on Sunday 20th August; it was a really enjoyable match. If you weren't able to get there, Chris Waymouth has put together a great video which combines many of the photos he took of the match, a couple of which I've selected as [Pictures of the Month](#).

September is packed full of things to do and features the [Jordans Horticultural Society's Flower & Produce Show](#). Resident pianists Esther Cavett and Bob Hall have arranged a series of musical performances by some very talented musicians over the coming months. You can [book your tickets for the next Concert on 30th September](#), and also find out details about the concerts lined up in early 2024 in the [Events](#) section at the end of the Newsletter.

The [Jolly Quaker](#) is back after their summer break with a delicious Valencian paella night! It's on tonight in the Village Hall, so place your orders











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now! [Jordans Picture House's](#) Autumn season starts on Friday 8th September and the Jordans & District [Rotary Club Quiz Night](#) is on Friday 22nd. And for those of you with very young children, [Toddlers in the Woods](#) returns in September and is a great way to educate them in a beautiful woodland environment.

Finally, [Jordans Quaker Meeting House](#) is holding some fascinating **Heritage Open Days** in September and a **Craft Workshop**, and you can find out more about them and other events at the Meeting House later in the year below.

Chris Jenkins, Editor
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Pictures of the Month



Above: Jordans Cricket Match was held on 20th August after the original date was rained off.

We were treated to a fine display by some of Jordans' younger players, who showed tremendous talent. Pictured here is William Taylor hitting a boundary! .

Below: Horatio Holloway had a great game, and was awarded the Willum Lomas Trophy for Catch of the Match



Jordans Cricket Match

Cricket had been played regularly on Jordans Village Green for well over 70 years until David Lacey obtained a temporary injunction to stop it from being played 30 years ago this year. Ironically, only 5 years earlier Mr Lacey had bought the house named after the cricketing term "Gully End", and located at deep square leg on Green East Road.

Despite cycling over from Seer Green as a boy to watch the cricket, Mr Lacey had complained that the balls came into his garden, claiming nuisance and potential harm. He demanded that the club erect two twenty-five foot nets in front of his house or stop playing on the Green; the club refused on the grounds that this was unreasonable, too expensive and unnecessary.

Thanks to the fierce and determined opposition of a few, this dispute hit the [national - and indeed international - headlines](#); the matter was discussed in the Times ("the nation waits with bated breath", observed an editorial); reported in the Daily Telegraph complete with an appropriate Matt cartoon; also by the Daily Express, the Daily Mail via Roy Hattersley, the Independent, and Today newspapers. An appeal against the injunction ended up being heard in court at Slough in May 1994.

Bewigged barristers battled balefully - or bail fully - before the Bench, His Honour Judge Hague QC. Would our white-flannelled fellows be caught out? Witnesses came and went to face verbal bouncers, googlies, yorkers, and off-breaks from learned counsel, Judge Hague umpired, and at the close of proceedings the nation awaited.

A week later the news broke in a [forty-six page written judgement](#) that the Laceys' claim was dismissed with costs, the injunction extinguished, and therefore cricket could continue on the Village Green. On 29th August 1994 the summer game recommenced to a sizeable crowd, much cheer and joy in most quarters of the village, followed by a celebratory barbeque on the Green afterwards.

A print of the watercolour of "The Last Match" (which of course happily it wasn't) by the late Betty Stephens is currently on display in the Estate Office. A few years later Jordans Cricket Club moved to a larger pitch in Seer Green, with its pavilion facilities and larger boundaries.

On Friday 22nd August 2014 my predecessor, Colin Brown, resurrected the match with his Estate Office XI playing Jordans Village XI - using a soft version of a cricket ball - which has become an annual tradition.

This year, the match was closely fought and resulted in the Jordans Village team taking the honours, having reached a winning score of 65 for 7 wickets after 17 overs, bettering the Estate Office team's 64 for 8 after 18 overs. It was a really enjoyable event and what made this match so enjoyable was seeing so many of the talented younger players taking part. They certainly made up for my shortcomings!

The winning team's captain, Mark Pembroke, was awarded the Ted & Hubert Cup, in honour of Ted Salisbury and Hubert Douglass - two of Jordans' most revered players of the past. The

Colin Brown Cup, named after former JVL Secretary & Estate Manager for Player of the Match was awarded to Bertie Montagu for his excellent all-round performance, and near hat-trick of wickets. The Willum Lomas Trophy for "Catch of the Match" was awarded to Horatio Holloway.

My thanks go to Jeff Holdsworth (Umpire), John Scriven (Scores), and Amanda Myers who opened the shop on a Sunday for refreshments. A special thanks go to Chris Waymouth, who took lots of photos of the match and edited them together into an amazing video which you can watch by clicking the image below. Finally, thanks to Nigel Morgan whose excellent summary of the historic 1993/1994 court battle I have shamelessly plundered for this article!

Chris Jenkins

JVL Estate Manager & Secretary



Click the image above to watch the match!! Huge thanks to Chris Waymouth for putting this amazing record together.



Above: "The Last Match" by Betty Stephens



Jordans Horticultural Society News

Flower & Produce Show Sunday 10th September **Volunteers still needed**

Have you got something growing in your garden? Then enter it into our Flower & Produce Show! This friendly competition is open to keen gardeners and accidental growers, whether you've been carefully tending your onions or can pick 3 apples from your tree. Nothing growing - well how about entering a jam, a cake or some bread? (We've heard that our champion bread baker will be on holiday so the domestic section is wide open!) There are also Lego, vegetable model, a garden on plate categories and more for children too.

The full programme can be collected from the Village Shop or from Emma on 07940 816710. Bring your entries to the Village Green (or the hall if its raining) before 11am on Sunday 10th September - 25p per entry.

If you really don't want to enter anything then come along anyway to judge the results. For £1 you receive a strip of stickers to vote for your favourites in each category. Judging takes place 1-2.30pm, then stop for tea, and then prizes are announced at 3.30pm.

We're still looking for 1 or 2 people to help on the day. Please be in touch if you can spare an hour.

See you there!

Jordans Horticultural Society

I have been asked to host a tea, coffee and cake stall.....I'm calling on all my cake-baking friends in or out of Jordans to provide such delights, for this much-loved event. Anything would be welcome, be it a scone or a gateau; everyone loves a brownie, a slice of fruit cake, or a lemon drizzle.

Please bring anything you can bake to the Hall on the day 10th September, or leave it in the Village Store beforehand - thank you. Please put your name on any tray or cake container, to allow safe return - thanks again.

If you can help, please contact Pat Holdsworth on 07930 648485 or 01494 874565.





Manor Farm Field Biodiversity Project

Rain, sunshine and cake!

Thank you to the super effort of seventeen volunteers who joined the Jordans Biodiversity

Group for an hour or three on Saturday 12th August for our inaugural work event on Manor Farm Field. We managed to clear two areas approximately 5m x 5m in which we will sow wildflower seeds, put in fourteen new fence posts to shore up the west fence so that it is stock proof (the cows are now back in!) and fill two rubble bags of thistles! Thank you also to the [Chiltern Rangers](#) who kindly lent us the tools for the job!

We've had some great feedback. Volunteers said they enjoyed the physical exercise outside in a natural space, that it was great being part of community effort to benefit biodiversity, that it felt "wholesome" and like a "natural gym"! It was also wonderful to see people of all ages - from teens to retirees - supporting each other and having a good old chat!

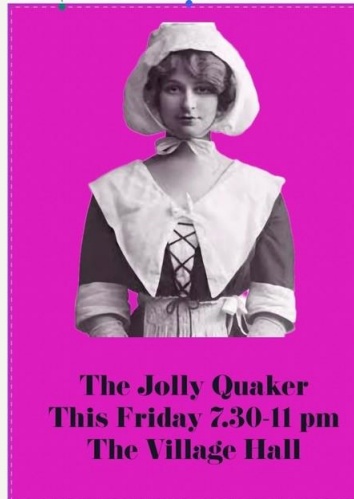
Our next event will be on Saturday 4th November between 10am and 1pm. Our task will be to create two more seed beds (we want to have 4 in total in various aspects of the field), sow the wildflower seeds, and if the weather remains mild, no doubt there will be some more injurious plants to pull. There will be a mix of heavy work and light tasks so something for everyone :-). Again, you are welcome to stay as long or as little as you can. It's helpful to know in advance how many people to expect so please let us know if you can make it.

If you want to keep up to date with activity in the field follow us on [Instagram.com/jordans_biodiversity_project](https://www.instagram.com/jordans_biodiversity_project)

Any questions, please be in touch jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com Emma 07940 816710

Bob Hall & Jordans Biodiversity volunteer group





The Jolly Quaker

The Valencia Supper Club will be visiting our Village Hall car park from 7.30 pm on Friday, 1st September. Come to the Jordans Village Hall car park from 7.30 pm on Friday, September 1 to pick up your pre-ordered paella bowls – or just order on the night.

Choose chicken (£8), seafood (£9) or veggie (£7) paella. Note: Juan needs at least 6 people to order the veggie paella to make it viable...

Card payment is preferred but cash will also be accepted.

Pre-order your paella from Juan:

Text him on 07796 857 662 or

Email him at valenciasupperclub@gmail.com

or by social media:

[Facebook.com/valenciasupperclub/](https://www.facebook.com/valenciasupperclub/)

[Instagram.com/valencia_supper_club](https://www.instagram.com/valencia_supper_club)

Paella will be available from 7.30 pm onwards but there will only be a limited amount available so come on the early side if you don't want to miss it!

See you there!

Francesca Bagneris & Paul Wilson, Publicans





Sports Day

Saturday 9th September @ 1pm



1.00 PM on The Village Green
Saturday, 9th September



JORDANS SPORTS DAY



On Your Marks...



Get Set...

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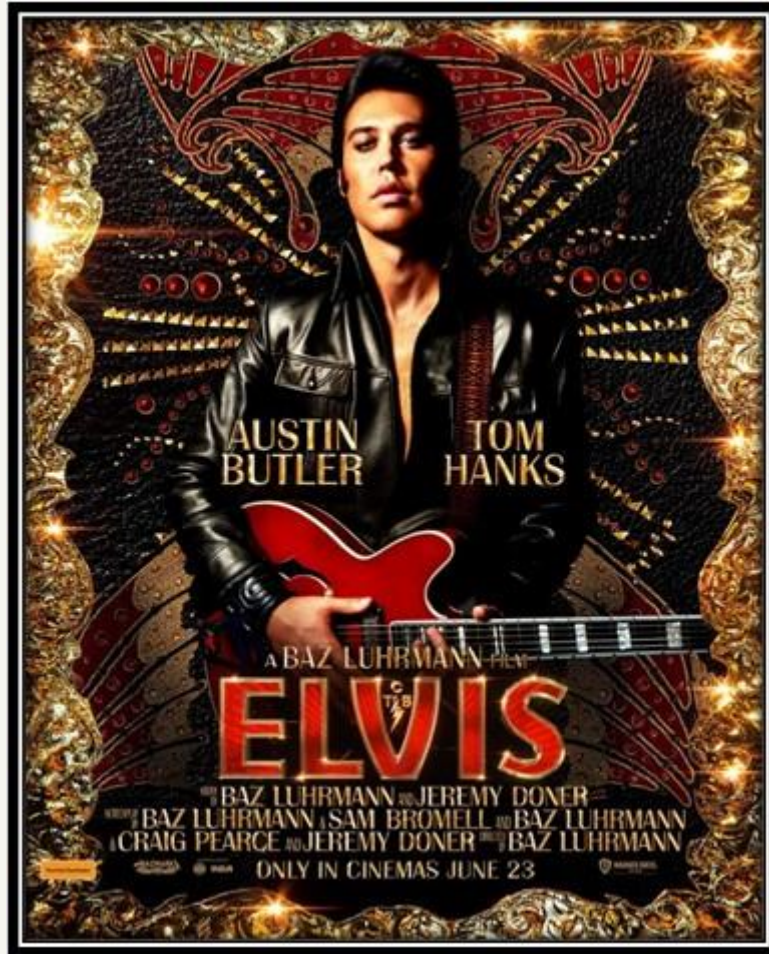


Jordans Picture House

WELCOME BACK!

OUR PROGRAMME STARTS ON SEPTEMBER 8th

with



On Friday September 8th we shall screen “Elvis”. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m. There will be 45 minutes of Elvis’s greatest hits during this period – come and enjoy!

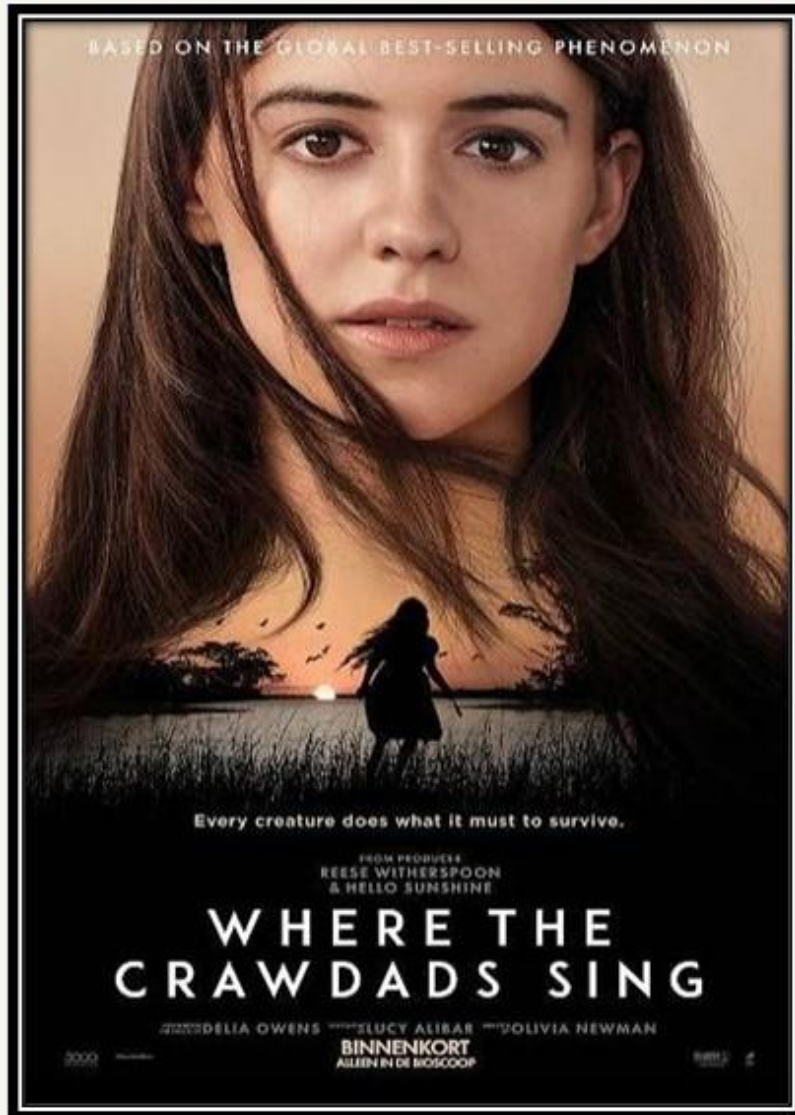
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| Elvis (12A) 2022. Awards: 8 Oscars. 70 Wins, 214 Nominations. Rotten Tomatoes Audience Score: 94% |
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| Cast: Tom Hanks; Austin Butler; Olivia De Jonge. Director: Baz Luhrman |
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| The life of American music icon Elvis Presley, from his childhood to becoming a rock & movie star in the 1950s, while maintaining a complex relationship with his manager, Colonel Tom Parker. |
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“Baz Luhrmann’s operatic, chaotic anti-biopic... the central plot casts Elvis (Austin Butler) as the victim of a powerful and devious bloodsucking fiend. That would be Col. Tom Parker, who supplies voice-over narration and is played by Tom Hanks with a mountain of prosthetic goo, a bizarre accent and a yes-it’s-really-me twinkle in his eyes. Parker was Presley’s manager for most of his career, and Hanks portrays him as part small-time grifter, part full-blown Mephistopheles.

New York Times



On Tuesday September 19th we shall screen “Where the Crawdads Sing”. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Programme starts at 8:00 p.m.

Where the Crawdads Sing (15) 2022. Awards: 9 Nominations. Rotten Tomatoes Audience Score: 96%

Cast: Daisy Edgar-Jones; Taylor John Smith; Harris Dickinson. Director: Olivia Newman.

A woman who raised herself in the marshes of the Deep South becomes a suspect in the murder of a man with whom she was once involved.

“A particular treat for viewers who love the book, “Where the Crawdads Sing” offers a faithfully told, well-acted story in a rich, beautifully filmed setting.”

Rotten Tomatoes – Audience Review

Our website and booking system are now ready to take your bookings, so we look forward to your support. In recent times there has been a trend towards late – or even last-minute! – bookings which can make things a little tricky for us in terms of predicting seating and bar requirements, so we would really appreciate hearing from you sooner rather than later! Thank you!

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

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| 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 |



Village Concert

The first Jordans Village Performs concert of the new season is on **Saturday 30th September, 7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

Flautist Barbara Brown (Welsh National Opera, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra) visits Jordans to be accompanied by pianist Esther Cavett in a brilliant and entertaining concert of Bach, Faure, Rousset, Debussy, Messiaen & much more.

All are welcome. Suggested donation per ticket £8 (or £5 under 16) via [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) (preferred), on the door, or ring Bob (873186) or Esther (873284), but pay what you can afford, to support our visiting performers and future events. Refreshments included.

Lunch Club Update

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR OF THE FOLLOWING DATE CHANGES FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER LUNCH CLUB:

**LUNCH CLUB THIS MONTH IS ON THURSDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 2023
(NOT THE 14th)**

**LUNCH CLUB FOR OCTOBER IS ON THURSDAY 26th OCTOBER 2023
(NOT THE 19th)**

A phone call will be made to everyone on the list over next few days to check that you are able to make the Lunch. Please arrive at the Village Hall at 1pm for lunch to be served at 1.15pm

We will provide water on the table, but NOT wine or beers, so please bring your own tipple with you if you wish. Thank you!

Pat Holdsworth

Toddlers in the Woods

TODDLERS IN THE WOODS has now been running for 2 years and it has been my privilege to start this initiative and run it with the help of an amazing team of 3 totally committed volunteers. It came out of lockdown, during which time young families were deprived of any form of contact with each other, and from the renewed vision that we would benefit from spending more time with our young children out of doors.

The Centenary Clearing in Crutches Wood, our legacy to the village after celebrating the existence of our village for 100 years, offered the perfect base for a toddler group and there we still are today.

During the 2 years the space on Friday mornings during term time has been filled with fun and laughter, with the desire to use the natural resources around us - and learn more about them.

Toddlers in the Woods is hosted by our parish church of Holy Trinity and welcomes all families with pre-school children living in our communities of Jordans and Seer Green as well as those having a close connection with our villages.

Simply come along - no booking necessary.

Day - Every Friday morning during term time Time - 9.15 till 10.15 am Place - The Centenary Clearing, Crutches Wood Cost - a donation of about £2.50 each week is appreciated.

NB This term starts on Friday 8th September.

How I look forward to being with familiar and new faces!

Ali Cork

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Jordans Quaker Meeting House



heritage open days

Jordans Quaker Meeting House Heritage Open Days September 2023



11th - 13th
&
15th - 17th,
from
2pm - 5pm

FREE TO
EXPLORE

Tours and a short film. Meeting House images, a poster collection and antiquarian books on display. A craft workshop & refreshments.

Full information at www.jordansquakercentre.org

www.heritageopendays.org.uk



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Jordans Quaker Meeting House

Heritage Open Days

September 2023

11th to 13th and 15th to 17th, 2pm to 5pm
Visit the Grade I Listed Meeting House

An exhibition of images of Jordans Meeting House
a collection of Posters and
a selection of Antiquarian Books
will be available to view

Take a tour of the Meeting House and watch a short film

Saturday, 16th - Craft Workshop - 10am to 1pm

Join an informal workshop decorating pages on the theme of the natural world around us at Jordans. Everything will be provided, but if you want to bring extra pictures, textiles or threads please do so. The pages will be approximately A5 and instructions and help on making them into a booklet will be available.

Enjoy a hot drink and cake on Saturday and Sunday

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Rotary Club Quiz Night



ROTARY CLUB OF JORDANS AND DISTRICT

QUIZ NIGHT

**Friday 22nd September
Jordans Village Hall at 7.00 for 7.30**

**Cost £15 ph including Fish/Chicken and
Chips.**

Teams of up to 8

Tickets from: Jenny Owen 07707 386415

or Alan Sonnex 01494 874536

All proceeds to Charities supported by Rotary



Sam Lomas - Memorial Ceremony

11:30 am Sunday 3rd September

We will be holding a ceremony on the Village Green on Sunday 3rd September at 11.30am in memory of our brother, Sam, who died suddenly on 4th June at the age of 59. Sam was a talented artist, but also he was a beautiful, gentle, warm, kind, and generous man.

During the Memorial Ceremony, we will install a plaque in honour of his memory, made by Michael Johnson at The Copper Works in Newlyn. This will wrap around the existing brass plaque in memory of our parents, John and Tessa Lomas, on one of the round tables outside the Village Store.

We welcome friends to join us in celebration of Sam's life, and to follow on to The Jolly Cricketers in Seer Green afterwards.

Martin and Tina Lomas



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

Saturday 21st October:

Come and join us for a fascinating and uplifting afternoon of talks starting at 2 pm
We have Lorraine Houton talking about **Numerology**; Lee Harvey talking about **Iconology** "Where Matter Meets Spirit"; Alex Russell-Stoneham on **Dowsing Protocol** and Jan Trewartha on **Dowsing for Blocks in the Energy Field**.

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@thamesvalleydowzers.org.uk

All are welcome

More events see www.thamesvalleydowzers.org.uk



Tree Surgery Around The Green

Every 2 years, JVL surveys the large trees around the Estate for health and safety reasons, and earlier this year Simon Hawkins of Merewood Arboricultural Consultancy Services carried out such a survey for us and detailed his findings in a report.

Trees in a [conservation area](#) that are not protected by a [Tree Preservation Order](#) are protected by the provisions in [section 211 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990](#). These provisions require people to notify the local planning authority, using a '[section 211 notice](#)', 6 weeks before carrying out certain work on such trees, [unless an exception applies](#). The work may go ahead before the end of the 6 week period if the local planning authority gives consent. This notice period gives the authority an opportunity to consider whether to [make an Order on the tree](#).

Buckinghamshire Council has now confirmed that we may go ahead with the surgery that is recommended to various trees within the Conservation Area, and that no Orders are being imposed. The work will take place over the next 3-6 months and mainly consists of pruning and removing dead wood, but there is one small Plum tree on the Green which is in poor condition and must be felled on safety grounds, and will be replaced with a new specimen.

Chris Jenkins

JVL Estate Manager & Secretary

Events Calendar

- ***The Jolly Quaker***
 - *Friday 1st September 2023 from 7:30 pm*

- Jordans Village Hall
- **Sports Day**
 - **Saturday 9th September 2023**
 - Jordans Village Green
- **Flower & Produce Show**
 - **Sunday 10th September 2023**
 - Jordans Village Green
- **Heritage Open Days**
 - **11th -13th September 2023 from 2pm to 5pm**
 - **15th-17th September 2023 rom 2pm to 5pm**
 - Jordans Quaker Meeting House, Welders Lane
- **Craft Workshop**
 - **16th September 2023 from 10am to 1pm**
 - Jordans Quaker Meeting House, Welders Lane
- **Rotary Club Quiz Night**
 - **Friday 22nd September 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 30th September 2023 @ 7:30pm**
 - Jordans Village Hall
 - Barbara Brown, flute (Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Welsh National Opera), and Esther Cavett, piano — a concert of joyous music ranging from Baroque, to romantic with a few special extras added in
 - **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 2nd March 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

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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

September 7th - Pat Holdsworth 01494 874565

October 26th - Therese Rogers 01494 874171

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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