

JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER April 2025

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Welcome to the April edition of your community newsletter, and what a welcome return the sun has made!

Jordans Village Hall Trust held their first fundraising event last month which was a great success, and details of their next few fundraising events can be found below.

Amazingly, US President Donald Trump heard about this through social media and left a voicemail on the Estate Office phone this morning, congratulating the Village Hall Trustees on their achievement: "The Village Hall Trust, they're doin' a great job, they're incredible, they're gonna hit their fundraising targets 'cause they've got the winning attitude, they're winners, they're making Jordans great again, I'm great, there's great golf around there"

Ahem. In other news, Jordans Village

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Performs holds its next concert on 26th April, with another concert following in May. The Jordans Biodiversity Group is teaching volunteers how to use scythes on 26th April, while Jordans Horticultural Society is preparing for its annual Plant Sale on 11th May on the Village Green. The Jolly Quaker is back on 4th April, and there are two screenings at the Jordans Picture House this month. Enjoy a delicious hot meal at Lunch Club, or some afternoon entertainment at the Drop-In.

Finally, can anyone accommodate Stephanie

Meier over the summer, who is writing an
historical novel about Quakers in the 17th
Century, and needs to stay in or around
Jordans for this purpose?

Enjoy, **Chris Jenkins, Editor**

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Picture of the Month



This wonderful image of the sun rising over Chalky Field was taken by Ali Cork in late February



Jordans "new" Village Hall Project

It gives me great pleasure to let you all know that the SPRING SOIRÉE held at The Bull Hotel was not only a wonderful evening for all who attended, but also raised in excess of £11.000 after expenses for the NEW JORDANS VILLAGE HALL fund.

This was extraordinary as the main purpose of the event was to raise the profile of our venture to build a new Village Hall for our community to use and enjoy.

The generosity of those at the event was beyond all expectation and I thank not only those who participated but also those who so willingly gave such a variety of experiences and items to bid for in the auction.

I thank Gordon Hamme for donating such a generous raffle prize, I thank the enthusiastic JVHT Fund raising Committee under the expert leadership of Gabi Burke for organising the event, I thank all who came on the night and those who gave so generously in lieu of tickets.

The project is very much alive and exciting events for Villagers your families and friends during 2025 are planned.

I am delighted to announce the first - an opportunity to, as before the Covid years, pitch your tents on the Village Green!

CAMP OUT FOR THE NEW VILLAGE HALL

Venue - THE VILLAGE GREEN

Date & Time - 1pm on Saturday 28th June until 11am on Sunday 29th June BBQ, BAR, ROUNDERS MATCH, STORY TELLING, TREASURE HUNT, EVENING MUSIC AROUND THE FIRE PITS, BREAKFAST.

Further details to follow - for now SAVE THE DATE!

Ali Cork Chair, Jordans Village Hall Trust



Gordon Hamme donates books to the Jordans Village Archive; plans event in support of JVHT's for a new Hall

8pm on Wednesday 14th May 2025 in the Village Hall

Leading on from a request by Bob Redpath, as part of building a collection of books by Jordans residents, Gordon Hamme has donated the three books he has written.

The books cover contemporary silversmithing collections and a book on 'Building A Craft Business'.

Gordon will be giving a talk about his books and a little bit about his life in Hatton Garden, being a hotelier, and achieving a PhD in his retirement.

The event will be held at 8pm on Wednesday 14th May 2025 in the Village Hall.

Any money raised on the evening will go to Jordans Village Hall Trust towards the building of the new village hall of which he is fundraising chairman.

Please get in touch with Gordon directly in order to reserve your seat, using the contact details below.

Many thanks

Dr Gordon Hamme

Mobile: 0795 686 5423

E-mail: gordon@hamme.co.uk



WINDSOR HALF MARATHON!





FOR JORDANS VILLAGE HALL

SUNDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2025

WALK or RUN (all levels welcome!)

Race takes place in Windsor Great Park 13.1 miles of stunning scenery

Fundraising target of £500 per runner (plus gift aid)

Please contact Louise Daughtrey to sign up 07841 531 201 I will enter all the Jordans runners



TMC News

Village Supper – Saturday 15th February Celebrating Jordans Village's 106th Birthday

Calling Antiques Specialists!

- Who has a keen eye for hidden value?
- Who hunts like a hawk on the buying and selling group?
- Has an emerging TV career in restoring junk! ;-)

We're looking for some **volunteers** to take over the reins on the **TMC Bric-a-Brac** stall at the fair. You'll know the fair helps us raise money for great causes and projects in the village and is often our only profitable event. You may not realise, but the bric-a-brac has previously been our best earning store by far!

It's fair to say it isn't a small task, and needs some preparation before the day, but Ray and Steven would be happy to offer tips to anyone thinking about taking this on.

If interested, please contact Pat Holdsworth for further information. 07930 648485 <u>p_holdsworth@hotmail.co.uk</u>

2025 TMC Events

Village Supper Sat 15th Feb 2025

TMC AGM Wed 26th Mar 2025

Village Fair Sat 14th Jun 2025

Music on the Green Sun 6th Jul 2025 (confirmed)

Sports Day Sat 6th Sep 2025

Older children social Sat 15th Nov 2025

Kids Xmas Party & Lights Sun 7th Dec 2025 (changed)

Switch On

We look forward to seeing you there!



The Jolly Quaker

Friday 4th April 2025

The JQ is back in session at 7.30 pm on Friday, 4th April in the Village Hall. Come along and try something new - Rebellion IPA in a bottle!

We'll have IPA available on tap as well of course, but it's great to know that this Rebellion favourite is available in bottles - in case the tap runs dry!

We'll have wine, snacks and the delightful Springtime music of Richard Cornish, if we're lucky! See you soon!

Francesca Bagneris



Jordans Picture House

OUR 2025 PROGRAMME CONTINUES

We look forward to welcoming you again!

JORDANS PICTURE HOUSE WILL BE SUPPORTING WYCOMBE HOMELESS CONNECTION IN APRIL AND MAY. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REFER TO JPH WEBSITE

On Friday April 11th we shall screen "Book Club - The Next Chapter".

Doors open at 6:45 p.m. and the Programme starts at 7:30 p.m.



Book Club – The Next Chapter (12A) 2023.

Awards 2 Wins. Rotten Tomatoes: Audience Score 84%

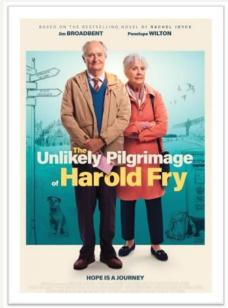
Cast: Diane Keaton; Jane Fonda; Candice Bergen. Director: Bill Holderman

Follows the new journey of four best friends as they take their book club to Italy for the fun girls' trip they never had. When things go off the rails and secrets are revealed, their relaxing vacation turns into a once-in-a-lifetime cross-country adventure.

https://www.imdb.com/title/tt20768712/

On Friday April 25th we shall screen "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry".

Doors open at 6:45 p.m. and the Programme starts at 7:30 p.m.



The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry (12A) 2023.

Rotten Tomatoes: Tomatometer: 74%. Audience Score: 77%

Cast: Jim Broadbent; Penny Wilton; Earl Cave. Director: Hettie McDonald

Harold is an ordinary man who has passed through life, living on the side lines, until he goes to post a letter one day...and just keeps walking.

https://www.imdb.com/title/tt14097206/

HOW TO BUY TICKETS (£8.00)

Online: Go to <u>www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk</u>

See "Programme & Buying Tickets"

Jordans Box Office: Email: <u>alan@janetsealypartnership.com</u>

(Alan Sealy) Phone: 01494 873205

Seer Green Box Office: Email: gillyp4@btinternet.com

(Gill Pettman) Phone: 01494 678050





Jordans Village Performs (JVP) concert on 23 March



The performers L to R: Julian Brockless, Esther Cavett, Nigel Morgan, Gordon Hamme, Lorraine Bristow, and Ali Cork.

This was a performance of 19th to 21st century English-language song and poetry on the themes of love and travel – further details can be found on JVP

website: www.jordansvillageperforms.org/concerts. As Esther Cavett's detailed programme notes mentioned, the event was something of an experiment within Jordans Village Performs in that it combined the skills of Julian Brockless, a professional baritone from outside Jordans who was making a welcome return visit, and a group of local people (Lorraine Bristow, Ali Cork, Gordon Hamme and Nigel Morgan) as readers. Esther as a pianist of course combines these hats, as an accompanist at a professional level as well as being so central to local musical events like Jordans Village Performs.

The songs from Julian and Esther were grouped into three sections: Samuel Coleridge-Taylor's Sorrow Songs; a selection of Ralph Vaughan Williams' Songs of Travel; and a medley Noel Coward melodies. Julian's rich and confidently strong voice was particularly suitable for

Vaughan Williams' The Songs of Travel, combining the bold and assertive The Vagabond, immediately followed by the serene Let Beauty Awake, with its wonderfully rippling, flowing piano accompaniment- simply joyous to hear.

The concert was enhanced by readings of poetry fitting for the occasion, written by Emily Bronte, Emily Dickenson, and others. The programme notes included the words of each of the first two sets of songs as well as brief, single paragraph biographies of the composers and poets, so was something of a collector's item!

The afternoon was a treat for the agreeably good numbers in the audience, as were the superb scones and tea afterwards so ably conjured up by Heather Rowe.

Nigel Morgan

Concerts

Next Concert: Saturday 26th April @ 4pm

Jordans Village Performs (JVP) 2025 season of concerts features a mix of classical and other music in Jordans Village Hall where there is a wonderful Yamaha concert-standard piano. Music ranges from virtuoso piano and violin to accordion, oboe, flute, double bass with mostly classical but folk and other styles mixed in. The performers announce their pieces and explain how they work; the emphasis is on communication and conviviality. Children are welcome, and drinks are served in the interval. You can sign up to become a member of JVP, giving you a vote on future events.

Tickets are bookable via the website: https://jordansvillageperforms.org/concerts/:

The next concert from Jordans Village Performs, a celebration of nature in the time of climate change, is on Saturday 26 April at 7.30pm in Jordans Village Hall. This will feature the Lindsey-Jenkins family, and will include a specially-made mystical Greta Thunberg-inspired musical instrument. For more details and to book, please click HERE. Some images of Greta d'Amore (made by one of the performers) are set out below.

An AGM for members of JVP (for membership requests -- £10 for life membership – join HERE) is on **Saturday 31st May at 4pm**. There will be a short performance by pianist Natalie Bleicher. Members attend free, others welcome with a donation.

Please do support Jordans Village Performs. We love villagers of all ages and interests to attend and celebrate the community created through live performance of music old and new. As always, for these concerts we will ask for a donation either via Eventbrite or on the door. Suggested donation for adults $\mathfrak{L}10$ or upwards, suggested donation for child $\mathfrak{L}4$. We don't want money to be a barrier to attendance, hence the donation model, but your contributions are vital in order to cover the costs of future events.

Esther Cavett (JVP committee chair) 31st March 2025





Jordans Horticultural Society

PLANT SALE - SUNDAY 11th MAY The BEST bargain plants!

The growing season might be slow to start this year but when you are sowing seeds or dividing plants please keep some aside to donate to our annual plant sale. Everything welcome – indoor and outdoor, annuals, perennials, shrubs, vegetables, herbs...

The Plant Sale will be on **Saturday 11th May** on the Village Green. 9am – 10.30am please bring along donated plants 11am – 1pm Plant Sale



Jordans Biodiversity Project

News from Manor Farm Field Biodiversity Project

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday 12th July JORDANS BIODIVERSITY DAY

Following the success of last year's inaugural event we will be celebrating the variety of wildlife in our village again this July. Expect wildlife safaris, crafts and more! Details to follow.

Volunteers needed

Wildlife monitoring will begin in the field this month. We will be keeping a regular check on butterflies, birds, amphibians and reptiles, plants and bats! We are looking for enthusiastic amateurs and experts who can spare an hour monthly. Please do be in touch.

Things to look out for

Sowing a wildflower meadow is a thing of chance but we're very heartened by the variety of plants germinating in the field. Now that we're in the growing season do look out for wildflowers in the field when you're passing.

You may have noticed a couple of things have happened in the field in the last month. With the help of generous funding from Chiltern National Landscapes and Rebel Restoration we have completed the perimeter fence. This will protect the scalloped edge of shrubs and hedging when cattle are reintroduced this year. The south field farmer has also reinstalled the water supply and added a new water trough. Cattle will begin grazing on the south field soon and we are working closely with the farmer to identify the best times to graze the north field too.

News from our friends

Bucks Amphibians and Reptiles Group (Bucks ARG) have created one of the best habitats for reptiles and the largest reptile hibernaculum ever created in Buckinghamshire in Bowl Barrow Way in Beaconsfield (off the new road). They are looking for people to join a volunteer working party on **Saturday 26th April (10.00 to 15.30)** to learn how to scythe! The Chiltern Society will be leading the training with the help of Bucks ARG. If you would like to learn to scythe and help us look after this amazing site please contact bucksrag@gmail.com to book a space. The training is free but donations to the Chiltern Society are welcomed.

If you are able to support the work on Manor Farm Field north, please donate to: Jordans Biodiversity Group, Acc no 52891630, Sort code 23-05-80. We are very grateful!

Contact us on Instagram @jordans_biodiversity_project

Or email jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com

Jordans Biodiversity Group



A home for reptiles created by Bucks Amphibians and Reptiles Group https://groups.arguk.org/barg

Room Required - Can You Help?

Female author, 74, NR, no car, seeks accommodation in Jordans from mid-June to mid-September (also possible: July and August only) own bathroom, shared kitchen ok, writing desk,up to GBP 750 per month negotiable. I wish to write a historical novel about Quakers in the 17th century and would like to stay in or around Jordans for this purpose. I hope also to participate in village life and worship.

Contact:

Stephanie Meier St. Gallen Switzerland ste.m@bluewin.ch Tel: 0041 76 582 40 12"

Many thanks in advance! I'm so looking forward to my summer in England.

Best regards, Stephanie

Jordans Village Store - Treasurer needed

JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY STORE LIMITED



Volunteer Treasurer needed to join the Shop Committee

Join our vibrant and friendly team of staff and volunteers at JVCS. The shop is a social hub and essential to village life and needs your help for its continued success.

Key Responsibilities:

Provide regular financial updates to the Committee

Monitor cash flow

Ensure financial compliance

Help to ensure the shop remains financially sustainable

For further information or to join our friendly team please contact:

Angela Hamme

07774813515

secretary@jordansvillagestore.co.uk

Jordans Village School Bluebell Fair



Events Calendar

Upcoming Events

All events being held in Jordans Village Hall unless otherwise stated

- The Jolly Quaker
 - o Friday 4th April, 2025, 7:30pm 11pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
- The Drop In
 - o Thursday 10th April, 2025, 2pm 4pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
- Jordans Picture House
 - o Friday 11th April 6:45pm for 7:30pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
- Lunch Club
 - o Thursday 17th April, 2025, 1pm 3pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
- Jordans Picture House
 - o Friday 25th April 6:45pm for 7:30pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
- Jordans Village Performs Concert
 - o Saturday 26th April 2025, 7:30pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
 - Jenkins family Climate Change concert. Cressida and James Lindsey will perform cello and song pieces, Esther and Lyn will do piano and violin, and there will be some music involving all performers.
- Plant Sale
 - Sunday 11th May, 2025 AM
 - Jordans Village Green
- Gordon Hamme talk
 - Wednesday 14th May, 2025, 8pm
 - Jordans Village Hall
- Bluebell Fair
 - o Saturday 17th May, 2025, 12pm-2pm

- Jordans Village School
- Jordans Village Performs Concert
 - o **Saturday 31st May, 2025, 4.00pm** (for approximately 90 minutes)
 - Jordans Village Hall
 - AGM for members only, with special mini recital, tea and scones
- Summer Fair
 - o Saturday 14th June, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- Camp out on the Green in aid of the Village Hall
 - o Saturday 28th June, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- Music on the Green
 - Sunday 6th July, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- TMC Sports Day
 - o Saturday 6th September, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- Flower & Produce Show
 - Sunday 7th September, 2025
 - Jordans Village Green
- Windsor Half Marathon in aid of the Village Hall
 - o Sunday 28th September, 2025
 - Windsor Great Park
- TMC Older Children Social Event
 - o Saturday 15th November, 2025
 - Jordans Village Hall
- TMC Children's Christmas Party & Xmas Tree Lights Switch-On
 - o Sunday 7th December, 2025
 - Jordans Village Hall & Village Green

Regular Events

Jordans Meeting House

Welders Lane HP9 2SN

In Person Meetings - Sundays Weekly 10:30 am

Contact Adrienne Midgley

adriennemidgley@hotmail.com | 01753 889581

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

Contact David Matthews

07779 251107

General Enquiries & Reservations

Nina Liebenberg, Manager

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

Tai Chi / Qi Gong

Village Hall

Thursdays Weekly - 6 pm to 7pm classes

Contact Jay Smith

smiff999@gmail.com | 07895 961105 | 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 and 4th Friday of the Month (Autumn - Spring)

Contact Alan Sealy

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

Jordans Art Group

Village Hall

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

Contact Georgina Wright on 07946 382570

Toddlers in the Woods

Crutches Wood

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

Contact Ali Cork

alicork686@gmail.com | 07803 139079

The Drop In

Monthly social events in the Village Hall

2pm to 4pm - all welcome!

- Thursday 10th April 2025
- Tuesday 27th May 2025
- Thursday 11th September 2025
- Thursday 9th October 2025

- Thursday 13th November 2025
- Thursday 11th December 2025

Lunch Club

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

- 17th April 2025 Pat Holdsworth 07930 648485
- 29th May 2025 Heather Rowe 01494 677573
- 19th June 2025 Alan Evers 07768 670496
- 17th July 2025 Pat Holdsworth 07930 648485
- 18th September 2025 Heather Rowe 01494 677573
- 23rd October 2025 Alan Evers 07768 670496
- 20th November 2025 Pat Holdsworth 07930 648485
- 18th December 2025 All

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

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If there is a subject you'd like to talk about, an event in Jordans you'd like to publicise, or have some other news relating to the Village, please contact Chris Jenkins, the newsletter Editor, on 01494 875177 or via email estateoffice@jordansvillage.co.uk

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