



## JORDANS VILLAGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

### September 2024

[www.jordansvillage.co.uk](http://www.jordansvillage.co.uk)

Welcome to the September edition of your community newsletter!

As we approach the end of the summer, many of you will be harvesting produce from your gardens and allotments. The completion of harvesting marks the end of the growing season, and the social importance of this event makes it the focus of seasonal celebrations such as our Flower & Produce Show. What will you be bringing along? The biggest beetroot, a colossal carrot, or a massive marrow?! Perhaps a beautiful bouquet.

The Jolly Quaker is back after a well-earned rest in August, as is our award-winning cinema, Jordans Picture House, with a season of superb screenings to keep us entertained.

There are many other events planned for the coming months, so read on for details. And finally I'd like to convey felicitations to Ali

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Cork's *Toddlers in the Woods* which is celebrating its 3rd birthday this month! Many happy returns.

**Chris Jenkins, Editor**

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## Pictures of the Month



**Above & Below:** A blanket of yellow flowers added some colour to Jordans Village Green in August





## FUND RAISING FOR OUR NEW VILLAGE HALL

It is with much excitement that the Trustees of Jordans Village Hall Trust forge ahead, under the guidance of the JVHT Fund Raising Committee, raising funds to build a new Jordans Village Hall.

The 'go ahead' from the Village Management Committee was heartening and now the sky is the limit with what we in the Village can now do to enable the funds required to be raised. And as quickly as is feasibly possible!

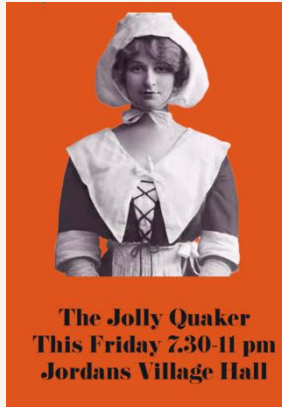
Different events planned will appeal to different villagers, as well as to those not necessarily living in Jordans but with a firm belief that in building a central community space for the future will perpetuate valuable community spirit now sadly very absent in our materialistic western world.

Your support in any way that you can give, whether it be by pledging money, generously supporting fund raising events or simply getting behind this amazing venture with your enthusiasm will be very much appreciated.

**Ali Cork**  
**Chair, Jordans Village Hall Trust**







## The Jolly Quaker

Friday 6th September 2024

Reminder: The JQ is back on Friday, 6th September! And Valencia Supper Club are coming!

Seafood Paella £10, Chicken Paella £9 and - if there are min. 6 people ordering - Vegan Paella £8.

Do pre-order at: [Valenciasupperclub@gmail.com](mailto:Valenciasupperclub@gmail.com) as Juan will only bringing a limited number of extra paella bowls.

See you on Friday, September 6 at 7.30 pm!

**Francesca Bagneris**

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Jordans Horticultural Society



## Jordans Horticultural Society

### JORDANS FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September

This year's categories:

- A) Flowers
- B) Fruit
- C) Vegetables
- D) Domestic (jams-chutneys-cakes-bread)
- E) Children's domestic
- F) Children's Creative

For the full list of categories, pick up a brochure in the Village Shop or contact Liz on 07763 475997. We'll also post them on WhatsApp nearer the time.

Bring your entries to the marquee on the Village Green (or the Hall if it's raining) between 9.30-11am on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September. It's 25p per entry, although free if you are under 18 or if this is your first time!

Come along 1pm-3pm to buy a £1 strip of stickers and decide which entries in each category you



think should be the winner. Meanwhile catch up with neighbours over tea and cake. Then the Horticultural Society will count up the stickers and announce the winners at 3.30pm. Prizes and awards galore!

Our F&P Show is super laid back and good fun – we look forward to seeing your entries or when you join in with the judging.

### **Jordans Horticultural Society**

**Ed, Elizabeth, Emma, Faith, Liz and Shan**

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## Jordans Biodiversity Project

### **Ever fancied laying a hedge?**

#### **Hedgelaying course – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October**

We are planning to lay one of the overgrown hedges on the boundary of Manor Farm Field. Hedgelaying is a process of partially cutting through then bending the stems of shrubs and small trees to encourage them to produce new growth from the base. The result is a thicker, stock proof hedge that creates an ideal habitat for a variety of wildlife.

The training day will take place on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October and then, with expert guidance, we will lay our hedge over a number of days in the Autumn/Winter. If you are interested in learning this skill and then using it to help us to lay a hedge (you don't have to commit to every date), then do be in touch and we'll send more details.

#### **Next Volunteer Event – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 10am – 1pm**

Last month a mighty band of 16 volunteers helped to clear the base of the hedge ready for laying. It was satisfying work but we didn't quite finish it. So please join us on 22<sup>nd</sup> September to finish the job. Long sleeves and tough gloves advised but do let us know if you are planning to come so we can make sure there's enough cake!



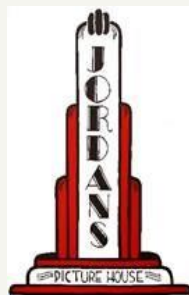
### **Other news from Manor Farm Field**

- We held the first Jordans Biodiversity Day on 3<sup>rd</sup> August which included an early morning bird safari, a visit to the wildflower meadow at Newbarn Farm in Seer Green and a bat survey at dusk. With the help of the Chiltern Rangers, we also ran some wildlife themed craft activities on the field. The safaris in particular were well attended and there was much interest in our wildflower seed infused clay tiles and bird boxes. A highlight was the 9 species of bat that were recorded between MFF and the Village Green! We'll do it again next year if you missed out!
- We are adding regular bat surveys and reptile monitoring to our monthly butterfly surveys. The season for wildlife monitoring closes soon but be in touch if you are interested in taking part next year.
- We have a smart new gate – as does the south field!
- The next phase of our management plan will begin: you'll notice some new fencing going in and part of the grassland being rotavated ready for autumn sowing of wildflower seeds. We might need some help sowing the seeds, so keep a look out on WhatsApp or be in touch.

Manor Farm Field North is managed by Jordans Biodiversity Group to promote the variety of life that might naturally be found in grassland in the Chilterns. The field is located on the footpath between Jordans and Seer Green, on the north side of the hedgerow along the narrow section just up from Wilton Lane.

For more information contact us: [jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com](mailto:jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com)

Follow us on Instagram: [Jordans\\_biodiversity\\_project](https://www.instagram.com/Jordans_biodiversity_project)



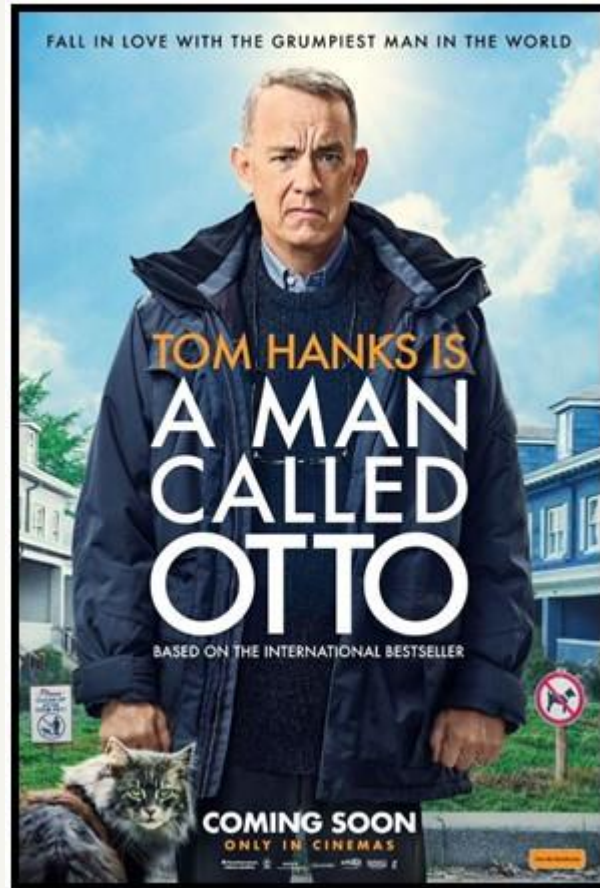
## **Jordans Picture House**

### **KICK OFF FOR OUR NEW SEASON**

We look forward to welcoming you back!

On Friday September 13<sup>th</sup> we shall screen "A Man Called Otto".

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



**A Man Called Otto (15) 2022. Awards: 1 Win, 8 Nominations. Rotten Tomatoes Audience Score: 9**

**Cast:** Tom Hanks; Mariana Trevino; Rachel Keller. **Director:** Marc Forster.

Otto is a grump who has given up on life, following the loss of his wife. Otto is ready to end it all but his are interrupted when a lively young family moves in next door and he meets his match in quick-witted Marisol. She challenges him to see life differently, leading to an unlikely friendship which turns his world around. A heart-warming and funny story about love, loss and life, "A Man Called Otto" shows that far can be found in the most unexpected places. – **SONY PICTURES**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eFYUX9l-m5I>

***This is the perfect vehicle for Tom Hanks and he makes the most of the opportunity....Well written and well-acted this is great entertainment moving seamlessly from comedy to drama and ultimately packs an emotional punch that makes it memorable and pushes it into one of the best movies of the year. A great reminder of why Tom Hanks has been at the top for so long***

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**Source IMDB User Review**

On Friday September 27<sup>th</sup> we shall screen "Jojo Rabbit".  
Doors open at 6:45 p.m. and the Programme starts at 7:30 p.m.



**Jojo Rabbit (12A) 2019. Awards: 1 Oscar, 52 Wins, 192 Nominations. Rotten Tomatoes Audience Score: 94%.**

**Cast:** Roman Griffin Davis; Thomasin McKenzie; Scarlett Johansson. **Director:** Taika Waititi.

A young German boy in the Hitler Youth whose hero and imaginary friend is the country's dictator is shocked to discover that his mother is hiding a Jewish girl in their home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tL4McUzXfFI>

*“Jojo Rabbit” demonstrates that there is hope, both for humanity and Hollywood.....The characters are charming and quirky, the dialogue clever and the plot wisely confines itself to telling an intensely personal story rather than one of the war itself. The young male star is perfect.....*

*The film was exceptional and one of the best I’ve seen this year. Waititi has great comedic vision and the cast is phenomenal. “Jojo Rabbit” was weird, funny, heartwarming and heartbreaking.....*

**Source IMDB User Reviews**

**The dates for our 2024-25 programme are as follows:-**



Date	Time	Film
Fri Sept 13 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	A Man Called Otto (15)
Fri Sept 27 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	Jojo Rabbit (12A)
Fri Oct 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	The Great Escaper (12A)
Fri Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	Cabaret (X)
Fri Nov 8 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	One Life (12A)
Fri Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	The Miracle Club (12A)
Fri Dec 13 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	The Holdovers (R)
Fri Jan 10 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	The Boys in the Boat (12A)
Fri Jan 24 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	A Haunting in Venice (12A)
Fri Feb 14 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	The Old Oak (15)
Fri Feb 28 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	The Color Purple (12A)
Fri Mar 14 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	Aftersun (12A)
Fri Mar 28 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	Inception (12A)
Fri Apr 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	Book Club – The Next Chapter (12A)
Fri Apr 25 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry (12A)
Fri May 9 <sup>th</sup>	6:45 for 7:30pm	AGM + Blind Ambition (12A)

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

Online: Go to [www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk](http://www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk)  
See “Programme & Buying Tickets”

Jordans Box Office: Email: [alan@janetsealypartnership.com](mailto:alan@janetsealypartnership.com)  
(Alan Sealy) Phone: 01494 873205

Seer Green Box Office: Email: [gillyp4@btinternet.com](mailto:gillyp4@btinternet.com)  
(Gill Pettman) Phone: 01494 678050





## Our Living Village

### **CBA Festival of Archaeology walks in Seer Green & Jordans**

This year's Council for British Archaeology (CBA) public Festival of Archaeology included a series of walks based on the Seer Green & Jordans Our Living Village heritage walks. These walks were delivered with the support of the Buckinghamshire Archaeological Society (BAS). This was fitting as the festival theme for 2024 was Archaeology and Community, and the Our Living Village project was the winner of the 2023 BAS Archaeology Award for its contribution to community-based heritage research.

One walk was delivered in Jordans, two in Seer Green, and two in Hodgemoor Woods. Numbers were limited to 20 for each walk, with a total of about 85 people attending across the events.

In Seer Green the walk covered 1000 years of the historical development of a typical Chilterns village, from Anglo-Saxon farmstead through to the coming of the railway in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. In the ancient woodland of Hodgemoor Woods we looked at the landscape archaeology and its relationship with the geology, walking through 2000 years of history from a Romano-British farmstead and Roman Road, through to World War II occupation and post-War resettlement camp. In Jordans we focussed on the emergence of the Quakers in the 17<sup>th</sup> century and included a hosted visit to the Friends Meeting House, and how arrival of the railway enabled this to become the focal point for an early 20<sup>th</sup> century experiment with the creation of a model village.

Thanks to BAS for their support in making these walks so successful, and to Nina Liebenberg for hosting the visit to Jordans Meeting House.

These guided walks followed similar itineraries to those on the [www.ourlivingvillage.org](http://www.ourlivingvillage.org) website, which are also available through the Love Exploring app.

**Nigel Rothwell**

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[www.ourlivingvillage.org](http://www.ourlivingvillage.org)

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# Jordans Rotary Club Charity Film Night



We make a difference

## ROTARY CLUB OF JORDANS & DISTRICT



Service Above Self



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



South Bucks  
Hospice

### Charity Film Night

Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup> 2024, 7.00pm for 8.00pm

Beaconsfield National Film and Television School,  
Station Road, Beaconsfield HP9 1LG

## 'Something's Gotta Give'



with  
**Jack Diane**  
**Something's  
Gotta Give**



Keanu Reeves Frances McDormand Amanda Peet

American – drama\_ film written, produced and directed by Nancy Meyers.  
Staring Jack Nicholson, Diane Keaton and Keanu Reeves

For tickets contact Jenny Owen 01494 677571/ 07707 386415  
Cost £20 to include a glass of wine and nibbles  
Cheques payable to Jordans Rotary Trust or cash





## Concerts

### Forthcoming concerts in Jordans Village

Jordans Village Performs (JVP) is happy to announce its next season of concerts for local people to enjoy. Jordans Village Performs is a community-run venture for local people in Seer Green and Jordans. We put on accessible concerts with a mix of classical and other music in Jordans Village Hall where there is a wonderful Yamaha concert-standard piano for performances – see pictures below. 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 a member of JVP, giving you a vote on future events. Tickets bookable via the website will be available in due course: <https://jordansvillageperforms.org/concerts/>:

- **12th October, 2024, 7.30pm**
  - Elizabeth Corbett (Cello) accompanied by Esther Cavett (Piano), first half. In the second half, we have a return of the Ellie Daft and friends with their Irish Folk music.
- **25th January, 2025, 7.30pm**
  - Community Concert. For local people to perform, all standards welcome.
- **1st March, 2025, 7.30pm**
  - Andrew Frampton (Piano). A solo recital of great works from the classical repertoire.
- **26th April 2025, 7:30pm**
  - 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.
- **31st May, 2025, 4.00pm** (for approximately 90 minutes)
  - AGM for members only, with special mini recital, tea and scones.

As always, for these concerts we will ask for a donation either via Eventbrite or on the door. Suggested donation for adults £10 or upwards, suggested donation for child £4 or unwaged. 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**

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## Jordans Retreat Days

Come and enjoy together

- Chi Gong Healing Form • Acupressure for Common Ailments workshop
- Group Ear Acupuncture session
- Shared lunch (please bring your lunch)
- Meditation sessions x 2

### **Dates**

Saturday September 28th

Saturday October 12th

Saturday November 16th

### **Times**

10-4pm

Shared lunch time 12-1.30

### **Beautiful Venue**

Friends Meeting House

Welders Lane

Jordans Beaconsfield

HP9 2SN

### **Please contact**

Gill 07989 141630

[gillcroft8@gmail.com](mailto:gillcroft8@gmail.com)

Full day £50

Half day £30

*Private treatments in Chi Gong tuition, Shiatsu and Acupuncture sessions are available in Jordans, also mobile clinic.*

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## Toddlers in the Woods has turned 3!

Yes it was 3 years ago that I stepped into The Centenary Clearing in Crutches Wood and launched TODDLERS IN THE WOODS!

What did I expect that September Friday morning? Well I am not really sure except that I knew, for me it would be a privilege to spend time outside and in our woods, where I have watched the trees grow over the past 30 years, with young families from both Jordans and Seer Green.

This community venture is hosted by our parish church - Holy Trinity, Seer Green and Jordans but in no way was it to be an evangelical project. Simply it would become a group in which we would

acknowledge Christianity and have fun celebrating the very special Christian Festivals that we all enjoy so much. All of any faith or no faith at all are so welcome.

Families appeared and stayed, both children and adults getting stuck into singing, our amazing woodland band, woodland craft - making stick men must be one of our favourites along with our magical wooden silver and golden Christmas stars.

With the amazing help of villagers we built a den and then another. We created a tree trunk circle, a painting platform a rope course and inspiration for the future hasn't stopped there.

We now have 'old' boys and girls who it is such a joy to see at school and parents who I have the honour to call friends.

Toddlers in the Woods has proved to be a great way to encourage young children and their parents / carers to get outside in the woods using all that the environment provides for, yes craft projects, but also simply somewhere to really enjoy playing regardless of what the day brings. Using my much spoken words - 'It is not the weather but what you and the children wear' that makes for having fun even on the coldest, wettest mornings.

Come along and join us  
How welcome you and your young children will be.

**Ali Cork**



**TODDLERS  
IN THE WOODS**

For all pre-school children  
accompanied by a responsible adult

We don't go outside, we are outside

Hosted by Holy Trinity Church  
Seer Green and Jordans

Every Friday during term  
**9.15 am - 10.15 am**

Venue:  
The Centenary Clearing,  
Crutches Wood,  
Jordans

**Cost £2.50**  
per session

For more information contact Ali Cork  
☎ 07803 139079 ✉ alicork686@gmail.com

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Events Calendar



## **Upcoming Events**

*All events being held in Jordans Village Hall unless otherwise stated*

- ***Flower & Produce Show***
  - ***Sunday 15th September 2024***
    - Jordans Village Green
- ***Retreat Days with Gill Croft***
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  - ***10am to 4pm, Saturday 12th October 2024***
  - ***10am to 4pm, Saturday 16th November 2024***
    - Jordans Meeting House
- ***Jordans Rotary Club - Charity Film Night***
  - ***Saturday 19th October, 2024, arrive at 7.00pm for 8:00pm start***
    - National Film & Television School, Beaconsfield
- ***Supper & Song***
  - ***Saturday 30th November 2024***
    - Jordans Village Hall
- ***Jordans Village Performs - Concert***
  - ***Saturday 25th January, 2025, 7.30pm***
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### **Regular Events**

#### ***Jordans Meeting House***

***Welders Lane HP9 2SN***

***In Person Meetings - Sundays Weekly 10:30 am***

Contact Adrienne Midgley

[adriennemidgley@hotmail.com](mailto:adriennemidgley@hotmail.com) | 01753 889581

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

Contact David Matthews

07779 251107

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#### ***Tai Chi / Qi Gong***

***Village Hall***

***Thursdays Weekly - 6 pm to 7pm classes***

Contact Jay Smith

[smiff999@gmail.com](mailto:smiff999@gmail.com) | 07895 961105 | [www.yangshengtaichi.com](http://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](mailto:alan@janetsealypartnership.com) | 01494 873205 | [www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk](http://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](mailto:alicork686@gmail.com) | 07803 139079

### **Lunch Club**

**Thursdays Monthly in the Village Hall**

**Arrive at 1pm for Lunch at 1:15pm. Cost £8**

- 19th September
- 17th October
- 21st November
- 19th December

**Contact Pat Holdsworth on 01494 874565 to confirm your place 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](mailto:estateoffice@jordansvillage.co.uk)

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