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## Jordans Village Community Newsletter



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### Speaker's Corner

Welcome to the August issue of the Jordans Village Community Newsletter, and the first of a new regular column written by different members of the community. I will open with a quote from William T Moss, committee chairman from 1955 to 1960, that he used in his foreword to the 1958 Guide to Jordans, as it succinctly reflects the aims we still have today:

*“There is an old proverb attributed to the Arabs which says “Keep your tents*

*separate but bring your hearts together". That too, is one of our most cherished ambitions at Jordans. While we are separate in our hearths and homes, we like to feel that we are bound together by a bond of friendliness and helpfulness that marks our Village in a very special way."*

Whether it is through annual events or day to day enjoyment of the open spaces and play equipment we provide, we really want to continue this spirit of Jordans and encourage residents and visitors to enjoy the green and get together. July was another great example of this, with many of us attending Music on the Green and participating in the annual cricket match, or coming along to support friends and relatives.

The football goals have been a great success in creating a new way to meet and mix with neighbours, and also by combining fun with healthy exercise. Again recalling Willy Moss's quote, in the Jordans spirit of friendliness and helpfulness I would appreciate it if those using the football goals place them in the centre of the green and makes sure that the goals are returned to the west side of the office after use.

Finally, a big thanks to the TMC who, having received a kind donation from Keith and Penny Scott, commissioned James Roberts of Under One Roof to restore the seats on the see-saw. They have had plenty of use since then, and were thoroughly tested by members of the Management Committee during the annual Village Walk!

If there is a subject that you'd like to talk about in this column, please send your submission to the Editorial team, whose contact details you will find at the foot of this message.

Many thanks!

**Chris Jenkins,**

**Secretary & Estate Manager, Jordans Village Limited**



*Jordans Village beat the Estate Office team to win the Ted & Hubert Cup, with Colin Brown returning to umpire this year's Cricket Match along with John Scriven*



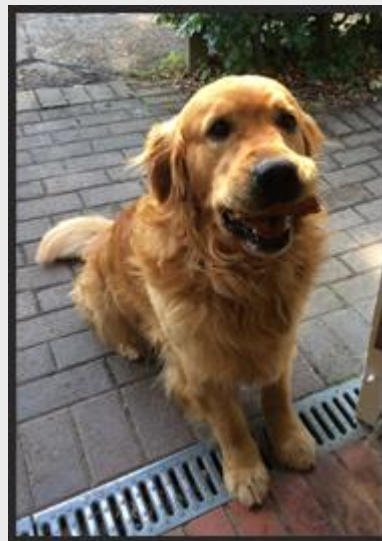
### **Village Store News**

The Village Store has started up the new **Jordans Lucky Numbers Club** for shop shareholders, to help raise funds for the store. Contact Emma Holdsworth, the shop manager, on 873279 or:

[manager@jordansvillagestore.co.uk](mailto:manager@jordansvillagestore.co.uk)

### **Don't forget...**

With summer now upon us, don't forget to cancel or postpone your standing orders for food, newspapers, etc at the



### **Jordans Lucky Numbers Club**

Barney is going to put his winnings towards his weekly sausage rolls!

What will you spend your winnings on?





Having personally tested the Apple and Scrumpy Cheddar, I can thoroughly recommend the artisan cheeses, which compliment the flavoured butters and marinades to make your home prepared meals extra special.

If you don't have time to prepare dinner from scratch, then the shop also has that covered, with a new range of frozen meals too.

### **Back to School**

With the summer holidays upon us, the new school term is just around the corner and the Village Shop has all your back to school needs covered with pencils, pens, rulers, notepads, and stationary so that your kids are well prepared for their next year of study.



### **Farewell to James Carvey**

The Village Store has bid a fond farewell to James Carvey, who is off to Canada to take a course in Specialist Car Body Repair, which fits in with his love of motor racing. Hopefully he will be repairing other competitors cars and not his own! We wish him the best of

### **TMC Events**

#### ***Afternoon Tea at the Village Hall***

Thursday 20th August @ 3pm  
Sandwiches, assorted home made cakes, savouries and a selection of teas all for the usual Lunch Club price of £4.50 per head.

#### ***Lunch Club at the Village Hall***

Thursday 17th September @ 1pm

#### ***Jordans Family Sports Day***

Saturday 12th September

With Tug-o-War!

\*\*If you were a winner of any cups last year, please have them engraved, and return them to the Village Shop as soon as possible\*\*

**Pat Holdsworth 01494 874565**

### **Jordans Quaker Meeting House**

This historic building at the heart of Jordans contains a fascinating exhibition and library, and is open to visitors from Tuesday to Sunday 2pm to 5pm, and on Bank Holiday Mondays, from 1st March to 31st October, and at other times by prior appointment.

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luck in the next chapter of his life, and want to say a big thanks for the effort he has put in at the shop. Cheers James!



### **Open Garden in aid of Thames Valley Air Ambulance**

Three of the wonderful gardens of Jordans were opened to the public in July to help raise money for the Chiltern Air Ambulance. Norma & John Desmond-Mawby of Spindrift, Angela & Gordon Hamme of Downfield, and Ian Gilham & Nicola Grimshaw of Comely Bank showed many visitors around the grounds of their properties and managed to raise the record sum of £1,700 for this exceptionally good



### **Flower & Produce Show**

Don't forget to put the date for this year's Flower & Produce Show, **Sunday 20th September**, in your diary. The event takes place at Jordans School in Puers Lane.

All the usual categories PLUS a NEW Children's Domestic section. So get gardening, get cooking, get creative and get snapping those photographs...

[Click here to download the Flower & Produce Show leaflet with all the categories, recipes, and rules for entry!](#)

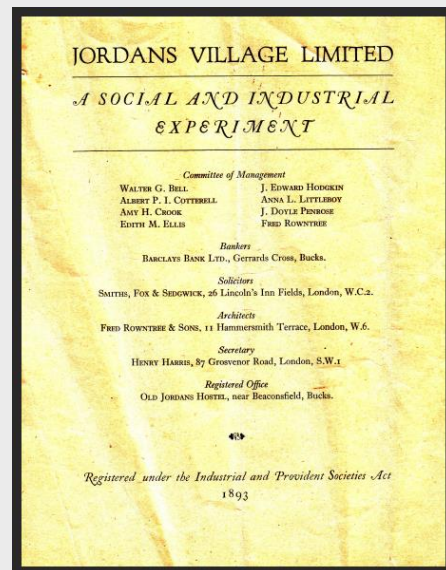
Entry cards are available from Sally Wilson on: 01494-876864

cause. [www.tvairambulance.co.uk](http://www.tvairambulance.co.uk) Charity Number 1084910



### Music on the Green Saturday 13th June 2015

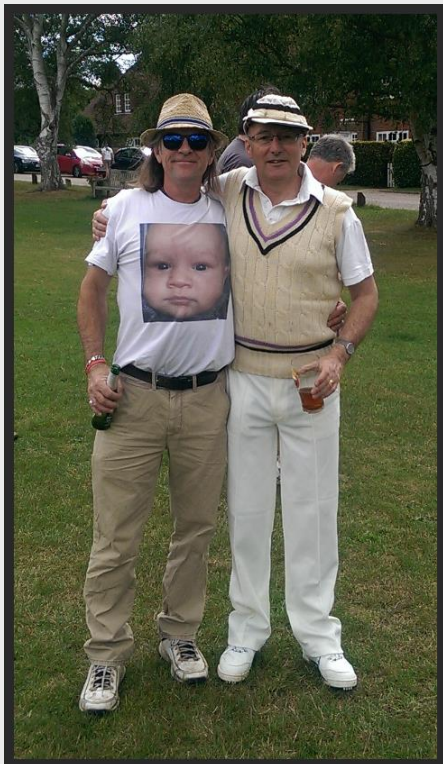
The annual musical gathering on the village green was a tad more damp than hoped but was no less enjoyable as the crowd huddled together to bask in the musical notes laid on by Skin and Blister Band and the duet Mandy and Tony who came from way oop Norf to entertain us.



### Jordans Village History

This month we have made available a copy of the [original prospectus](#) for Jordans Village. Back in 1916, in the midst of World War 1, land around Dean Farm became available and a group of Quaker Friends got together and bought it, with the idea to carry out a "Social & Industrial Experiment" by creating a rural model village for people to live in once the war ended, where they could develop a range of complimentary artisanal skills that would enable them to live together, with freedom of self-expression. [Click here to download your copy](#)





### **Jordans Annual Cricket Match**

After a day of rain we were drenched in sunshine for the annual cricket match between Jordans Village and the Estate Office, battling it out for the Ted



### **Thank You Jordans**

Colin Brown sent in a letter of thanks for all the kind wishes he received upon his retirement, which you will find below. He has since put the collection toward a beautiful Long Case Clock, circa 1780, which will take pride of place in his new home in Shropshire.

*Dear All,*

*Just a few words to say how much I appreciated the kindness shown by all who attended my farewell party and for the good wishes from so many people. The party gave me the opportunity to say goodbye in such a pleasantly informal way, occasions when the community comes together are*



& Hubert Cup.

Captains Andrew Holdsworth and Giles Sandeman-Allen picked their teams from a merry bunch of players, blissfully lubricated thanks to Chris Waymouth of the Village Shop who had laid on the bar with a range of tasty Marlow Brewery beers.

Colin Brown returned to umpire the match along with John Scriven, and the Estate Office were first in to bat, reaching a total of 82 runs, with notable performances from Duff Borer and Sam Lomas. However, the Jordans Village team played consistently well with some strong batting from their younger team members, and nicked the match with Alan Evers hitting the winning shot with 2 overs to spare.

**Final Score:**

Estate Office: 82 All Out - 16 overs  
Jordans Village: 84 / 6 - 19.3 overs  
(2 retired)

It was an especially poignant moment when Colin Brown presented the trophy to Andrew Holdsworth, the winning captain, and this year's match was dedicated to Ted Salisbury, one of Jordans most revered cricketers.

There was great support on the boundary from other residents and the new start time of 3pm seemed to work very well. Huge thanks to Mark Pembroke for preparing the wicket, Pat

*truly wonderful and heart-warming.*

*Everyone was extremely kind and it was a lovely reminder to me of why I have enjoyed my years working at Jordans. I have so many memories and I will treasure these as much as I value the many friendships that I have made over the past seven years.*

*I appreciated the support of all those who have served on the Management Committee during my tenure and admire all who serve the community which is not always an easy task.*

*The generous gift of money towards my wish to by a grandfather clock was amazing and once Helen and I find one, the ticking and chiming will remind me of you all and many the memories that will always cherish – very many thanks for such a thoughtful gift.*

*I have many recollections of a very special village and the wonderful community that has more than its fair share of characters. The Quakers left a long lasting legacy that truly is amazing in the times we live. Perhaps I should write a book one day?*

Holdsworth and the TMC for putting on a fine BBQ, Chris Waymouth for the bar, to Andrew Holdsworth for providing bats, balls and stumps; to Emma Holdsworth for scoring the match, and to everyone else who made it such a memorable game.



### Pop Up Pub Night

Save the first Friday of the month in your diaries as from Friday the 2nd October onwards, the Village Shop is organising a regular "Pop Up Pub" night in the Jordans Village Hall.

With Rebellion Beers from the Marlow Brewery on tap, it is sure to be a tasty evening.

### Name the Pub Competition

So what should the name of the pub be? A free pint of beer goes to the winner, so send in your suggestions along with your name in an envelope to the Village Shop, or by [email to the](#)

*Having worked alongside Chris since the beginning of May I have no doubt he will cope admirably with the duties of Secretary and Estate Manager and will enjoy his life at Jordans over the coming years.*

*Warmest regards to all in Jordans,  
Colin*



### Jordans Tennis Club

Since we are in the spirit of enjoying the sporting facilities of Jordans, I thought it was a good chance to remind everyone of our hidden tennis court, located on the east side of the green behind Covers and Iona, and next to the allotments.

The Tennis Club celebrates its 45th Anniversary this year and is currently run by Phil Hughes (Chairman) and Giles Sandeman-Allen (Treasurer). There is only one court but it's a good one, with an all weather surface, that is about to get a fresh coat of paint.

Members can join the club either

[Estate Office](#). Closing Date is the 15th September!!

Huge thanks go to Chris Waymouth for arranging the licence and the event!



### **Logs!**

After some tree surgery was carried out in July we have some logs available to whoever wants them! They are Oak cut from the tree outside Quigley's Point, and are currently piled up on the verge there in Puers Lane, and they need to be dried before use. We'd prefer that residents make use of them, otherwise we will need to dispose of them some other way, so feel free to take what you can use. First Come, First Served!

as an Adult, Junior, or through a Family Membership, which allows them to join in regular round robin type events, or simply book a court to use themselves at no additional cost. The club has an arrangement with [Halton Tennis Club](#) which has indoor courts and so enables members to play all year round (at extra cost). Memberships run from 1st April - 31st March each year.

Being an LTA affiliated club, members are also entered into the annual draw for Wimbledon tickets, 18 pairs of which are allocated to members on a rotational basis so everyone gets a fair shot.

For beginners or players wishing to improve their game, lessons are available from LTA-accredited coach Nick Wood. The club, while being an amateur level, has around 120 members who enjoy a great social side with an annual dinner held every November.

For more information contact Phil Hughes on 01494 700248 or Giles Sandeman-Allen on 01494 874104.

[Click here to download a membership application form.](#)





### **Useful Contacts**

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### **How to Book the Village Hall**

Jordans Village Hall is available for hire and holds regular events.

Bookings are taken by the Estate Manager, on 01494 875177

or [jvlestateoffice@aol.com](mailto:jvlestateoffice@aol.com).

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### **Submit Your News!**

If you have news, photos, or video from events in and around Jordans, or involving people from Jordans, we would love to include it in the newsletter! Please submit your news to the newsletter Editor, John Bell via email at [johnfbell@btinternet.com](mailto:johnfbell@btinternet.com)

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