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Thought for the Month

As I write, the FIFA World Cup has not yet begun. By the time you read this, hopefully England have navigated the group stage and continue to progress, albeit with the usual bumps along the road. Is Kane injured? I really hope not. Has Toney proved a masterstroke inclusion? There is always something slightly unsettling about writing into a national mood that has not yet happened.

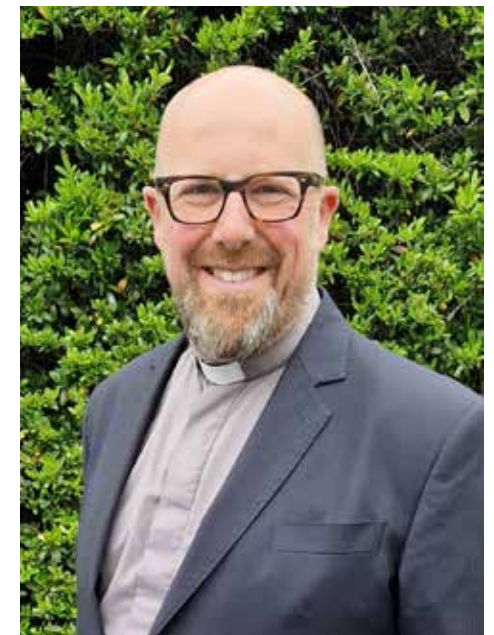
What interests me is that, of the 26 members of the original England squad, six speak openly about being practising Christians: reading the Bible regularly, praying together, and seeking to live out their faith. That is significantly above the national average for their age group. (Several others come from Christian backgrounds, and doubtless more would identify as Christian on a census, but that is not quite the same thing.) I note that serious Christian commitment also seems to punch above its weight in the England rugby squad.

Sporting ability is no indicator of theological wisdom, so I am not suggesting, "They believe, therefore you should!" Rather, I'm struck by how many of these players describe their faith as foundational to their performance. Excellence often seems to be grounded in something beyond itself.

Amid the changing fortunes of life, faith can provide a steadiness and peace that become fertile soil for growth and achievement.

This was a central theme of the classic old film, Chariots of Fire. While the sprinter Harold Abrahams spoke of "ten lonely seconds to justify my whole existence", Eric Liddell could say, "When I run, I feel God's pleasure." Christian faith can provide the assurance that our worth does not depend on victory or defeat. Whether our own endeavours prosper or falter, we are loved by God not because of what we achieve, but because we are his.

Jez Carr - Vicar



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From the Editors

As we look forward to the summer holidays and a break from our normal routine this double issue has several ideas of things to do. There are tips on how to keep your garden looking good and also productive, a walk along the Thames and suggestions for places to take the children. When you find time to

relax, there's a choice of books to read, if you're lucky – on a beach or by a swimming pool! Some village activities continue throughout the summer with the 8 O'Clock Club and newly formed Cherry Pie WI both having meetings in July and August. Enjoy your summer.

The Editors

Next Month's Magazine

Please send all contributions for the **September** issue to: **editorseergreen@gmail.com** by **7 August 2026**. Diary dates for the next two or three months would be very welcome.

Articles should be **300 words max** and in WORD (.doc or .docx format) and photos should be jpeg format, preferably 300 dpi.

Please note any items submitted may be edited for space, content or style.

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Front cover: Entrance to the village - Liz Bates



Charity for July & August

CRANE works to see every child living in a safe and loving family by encouraging kinship care, fostering, and adoption.

The Gospel message shows us that we are adopted by God into His family, made his heirs, and afforded the security of dwelling in the family of God. Because of the love that God has shown to each of his adopted children, every one of them should grow to love God and love their new family.

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Trinity Cafe celebrates its first birthday!

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate the first birthday of Trinity Cafe at the end of May. It was wonderful to see so many people from our community coming together to mark this special milestone.

The celebrations included party games for the children, plenty of laughter on the bouncy castle, and of course a spectacular birthday cake, beautifully created by Yo. Over the past year, we have been delighted that Trinity Cafe has become a key venue in our village, welcoming all ages for coffee, cake, conversation and community.

We look forward to seeing how the Cafe develops in our second year. Do chat to us if you have any suggestions.

Did you know that Trinity Cafe can also help make your special occasions even more memorable? Whether you're celebrating a birthday, anniversary, baby shower, or gathering with friends, we can provide delicious afternoon teas and arrange special celebration cakes. Just pop into the cafe and have a chat with Sam about how we can help.

Janna Holder



Services at Holy Trinity for July and August

1 July	10.30am	Midweek Communion
5 July	8am 10am 3.30pm	BCP Holy Communion Holy Communion Families @ 3:30
12 July	10am	Soul Space (doors open 9:30am)
19 July	8am 10am	BCP Holy Communion Holy Communion
26 July	10am	Holy Communion
2 Aug	10am	Morning Praise
9 Aug	10am	Soul Space (doors open 9.30am)
12 Aug	10.30am	Midweek Communion
16 Aug	8am 10am	BCP Holy Communion Holy Communion
23 Aug	10am	Morning Praise
30 Aug	10am	Holy Communion



Coming up for children and families in July and August

Fun & Faith, at Seer Green Baptist Church, continues on Sunday **26 July**, from 9.15 – 10am. An opportunity to enable families to explore faith in a fun, informal way.

Families @ 3.30pm and Fun & Faith both take a break in August.

On Friday **24 July** 'Little City' will be visiting SGBC with two sessions for under 6s to enjoy their role play city. This popular activity is likely to book up quickly so please book as soon as possible.

During the Summer Holidays Messy Crafternoons will take place on Mondays, **27 July, 3 and 10 August**, 2.30 - 4.30pm @ SG Baptist Church. An opportunity to enjoy creative activities aimed at 2-10s. All children must be accompanied.

Family Fun will take place on Wednesdays **29 July, 5 and 12 August** 10am – 12noon. Family Fun is for parents/ carers and their 0-7(ish) year olds. Come and enjoy a change of scenery with lots of toys, crafts, games and activities and a chance to catch up with your friends.

For 9-12 year olds there will be two evening sessions with games, activities and food – dates tbc at time of publication – contact Janna for more info!

Trinity Café will continue to be open on Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 8.30am during the summer holidays.

For further details on any of the above activities, including cost and how to book places, please contact Janna on 07764 490960, jannaruthholder@gmail.com

Janna Holder - Children and Families Minister



Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

Baptism in June

Jay Jackson George Holdsworth

Donations to Holy Trinity

If you would like to donate to the work and upkeep of Holy Trinity Church there are many quick and easy ways to do so -

Go to our website:

seergreenandjordanscofe.org and scroll down the homepage to 'Online Giving' and follow the link.

Or go to:

<https://tinyurl.com/4hx7cyzx>

Or you can activate our Online Giving page by using the QR code opposite.

Donations in cash/cheque may be delivered to our treasurer at 58 Chalfont Road.

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If you would like to join our planned giving scheme, please speak to our treasurer Audrey Hardy on 07342 652707 or **chardyseergreen@aol.com**



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The Editors



WI midsummer meeting



We thought that it would be great to celebrate the approach of the longest day by finding out about the midsummer traditions in Sweden. Our very own Helen Lindsey-Clark introduced the evening with a description of how the Swedes celebrate, involving quite a bit of aquavit, pickled herring, and the making of floral crowns. With a fantastic traditional Swedish midsummer pole as the backdrop, she talked us through how to create our own crowns using wire, tape and summer flowers.

Almost 40 women of all ages came to the evening, and discovered that creating the crowns was absorbing, satisfying, and not as difficult as we'd assumed, even for those of us who are not especially crafty! Helen added a particular treat to the night by bringing a traditional Swedish strawberry and cream cake which definitely gave the right vibe.

We are delighted with how the Cherry Pie WI is blossoming into a vibrant group with now almost 50 members. Our programme for the year is now finalised, with a wide range of activities planned. There's always room for more women, do come along on to our next fun meeting on **July 14** to see what we're up to!

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Jane Smith – Joint secretary of Cherry Pie WI



Seer Green Gardeners gardening in July



Last month I was talking about the challenges of drought. So far, June is not 'flaming', just rather soggy and cool - maybe good for young plants trying to grow their first strong roots, but only as long as slugs and snails don't demolish their sappy leaves. This year I'm following RHS advice about consigning these trouble-makers to the compost heap and hoping for the best.



If you're still looking for bedding or veg plants, try Shane's nursery on the A40 close to the big Denham roundabout (01895 833289). In early June they had a great selection of their own healthy, home-grown plants for very reasonable prices.

Suggestions for July

- Cut back early flowering perennials when they've finished blooming to encourage new growth and flowers later in summer.

- The only veg seeds really worth sowing now are quick growing salads (lettuce, rocket, spinach etc) plus carrots, beetroot, spring onions and radish.
- Check courgettes and pick before they get (rapidly) big
- Keep on top of tomato leaf growth - stake the main stem and remove side shoots to aid air circulation, unless it's a bush variety. Feed and keep well watered.
- Take time to sit back, enjoy your outdoor space and maybe ponder (and write down!) your thoughts on what you might change next time around.
- Remember to water your spud in a bucket!

Sally Ash



Note: Correction to last month's picture caption. The pretty purple 'Cupid's Dart' was mis-named as 'Comfrey'

Coming up in September

We hope you are tending your Spud in a Bucket ready for the excitement of the weigh-in on Sunday **13 September** at 4pm in the Jolly Cricketers Garden. Delicious jacket potatoes will be on sale too.

Our Autumn Show will be held on Saturday **19 September** in the Jubilee Hall. Earlier in the year you will have received our brochure listing all the classes, so take a look and see which you might want to enter. Maybe you're growing some fruit and veg in your garden or on your allotment, or do you enjoy cooking/baking, photography or craft. Fittingly for our village of Seer Green, The Jolly Cricketers is kindly awarding a trophy for the best "Cherry Pie".

There's also a new class for this year - A Group/Family project for all ages "Make a Miniature Garden" for which a cup will be awarded, sponsored by Jordans Environment Trust. There's something for everyone! Full details on how to enter can be found on our website seergreengardeners.org

Jill Moody - Chair Seer Green Gardeners



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Those lazy hazy crazy days of summer

Either we are basking in sunshine surrounded by busy bees, cavorting crickets and voluptuous vegetables or we find ourselves dripping our way through a slug infested soggy plot muttering about 'another English summer'.

However, either way we have been up at the allotments. A brilliant plant sale in May has been the harbinger of much horticultural activity and while a late frost unfortunately took out some of our promising soft fruit, we have much to look forward to.

Potting up and planting out is one of the joys of early summer, changing where you grew the spinach or the brassicas from last years' position, deciding on a companion plant to lure away a predator - marigolds by tomatoes, nasturtiums distracting the cabbage white butterflies and consequently being stripped by black and gold caterpillars.

This year I'm trying a variation on the Native American 3 sisters planting method. This usually involves Sister 1/ sweetcorn planted out with Sister 2/ climbing bean (provider of nitrogen), working its way up the sturdy corn stalk, while Sister 3/ courgette provides ground cover and mulch...I'm skipping Sister 2 as my beans are growing elsewhere. I've seen this work 2 ways, either a great and fruitful use of space or a handy place for the mice to shelter so close to their corn supper..... I'll let you know.

Should our crops survive all the possible pitfalls we can enter them in the Autumn Show on **September 19**, having already enjoyed sumptuous suppers throughout the summer.

No matter how you organise yourself or your plot, an allotment is never 'finished'; true, there will be quieter periods, alongside periods of intense activity, and some may work to a fairly stable timetable or pattern, but there will always be a new variety or an untried method to spark your interest.

Charlotte Baggins from the allotments



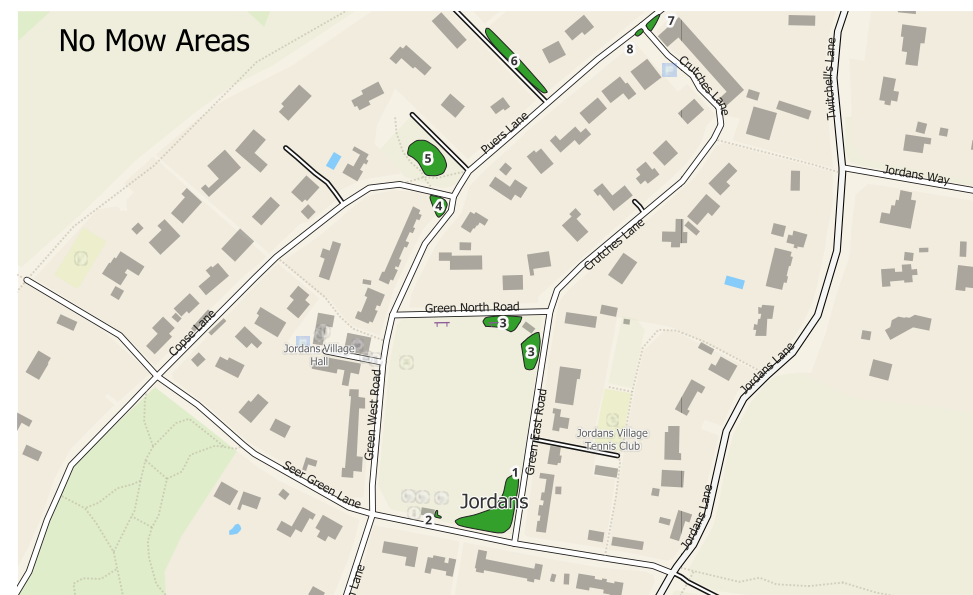
Spaces for wildlife in our public spaces

Following a lot of interest in this at the launch of the Nature Connectivity Initiative in Jordans in March and in Seer Green in May, we're super pleased to announce that Jordans Village Limited have supported our proposals for some 'no mow' areas around Jordans village for a trial period until September 2027. These focus on areas of the Village Green, Cherry Tree Corner, Dodd's Descent and some of the verges around the village - see map. The plan is to leave these areas unmown from May to September to create long grass habitats, some of which we will enrich with wildflower seed and plug plants. Although the verges around the village are JVL land,

many are maintained by residents. If you maintain your verges please consider supporting wildlife by leaving a foot unmown at the base of your boundary hedge or fence and allowing the wildflowers there to grow or by adding some flowering plants (simple rather than complex flowers will attract pollinators). Here's some inspiration from some of you who do this already!

If you want to find out more about any of our work to support nature in Seer Green and Jordans please be in touch jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com

Emma Pegram



Share a story

We hope that you enjoyed Eddie Collins' articles about his life as a cameraman in the film industry and David Howkins stories of his time as a film extra. If you have a job or hobby that you would like to share then email editorseergreen@gmail.com - you don't have to write much, 300 words and a photo fill a page beautifully.

We would love to hear from you

Sue, Carol and Jill the editors



End of the year news from Seer Green School



As we approach the end of another academic year, I have been reflecting on the progress we have made and all the children's achievements. Although six weeks remain as I compose this, it feels like an appropriate time and place to share some of the highlights.

The completion of our new kitchen represents a significant team achievement. What has been a longer journey than anticipated has ultimately demonstrated the value of perseverance - a value we actively encourage in our children. I am grateful for the exceptional support of our PTA and governors who raised significant funds to ensure it did not impact the school finances. We are on track to provide hot lunches to our pupils before the end of the Summer term, which will both broaden our food offer and support their wellbeing throughout the school day.

The OPAL project, expertly led by Mr Bell and Mr Ricketts, has been a tremendous success this year.

The initiative has brought greater enjoyment to our lunch periods as well as making a markedly positive impact on pupil wellbeing. The freedom and creativity that pupils have experienced during these times has been clear. We are committed to further developing these activities and expanding access to our field and woodland areas next year. These enriching experiences, which have been generously supported by parents, directly contribute to pupils' emotional regulation and, consequently, to their focus and learning in the afternoon sessions.

The final weeks of the summer term are always the busiest. We still have much to look forward to: our Year 6 residential, sports day, summer performance, the Cherry Pie Fair, and the opportunity to celebrate and support our Year 6 pupils as they transition to secondary school. Following these events, we will all welcome the well-deserved summer holidays!

Laura Morel - headteacher

Coffee Shop

For over 30 years, the Baptist Church has welcomed people for coffee, tea and cake every Monday morning at 10.30am.

Why not come and join us for friendly conversation, refreshments and a chance to meet others in the community?

Our jigsaw corner is especially popular.

Everyone is welcome.

Terry and Noeline



Coffee Shop

A meeting place for the community

Monday Mornings
10.30am to 12.00noon
Seer Green Baptist Church



£1,000 donation from Jordans Environment Trust to the Spire Net

Jordans Environment Trust (JET) is a local charity founded in 1973 by a group of Jordans and Seer Green residents. Its aims are to enhance the local environment and to provide amenities in the area.

JET has very kindly pledged to donate £1000 to the Parish Council Spire Net fundraiser.

We are very grateful for their support in helping us get one step closer to our fundraising target. Thank you JET.

Could you be a JET Trustee?

JET has recently helped fund items for Jordans Forest school, a storage chest for Toddlers in the Woods, a seat on the Seer Green recreation ground and the new noticeboard by Seer Green shops. JET also manages one of the fields on Longbottom Lane, with amazing wild flowers including wild orchids in the ungrazed area at the top of the field.



If you are interested in finding out what they do, have a look at the website www.jordansenvironmenttrust.org.uk.

At the moment JET would like to attract new local trustees to join our team. If you would consider being a trustee please contact Dawn Franklin by email contact@jordansenvironmenttrust.org.uk

8 O'Clock Club

John Donne writing "For Whom the Bell Tolls", reminds us that "No man is an island". Human kind is connected, and the death knell serves as a reminder of universal mortality.

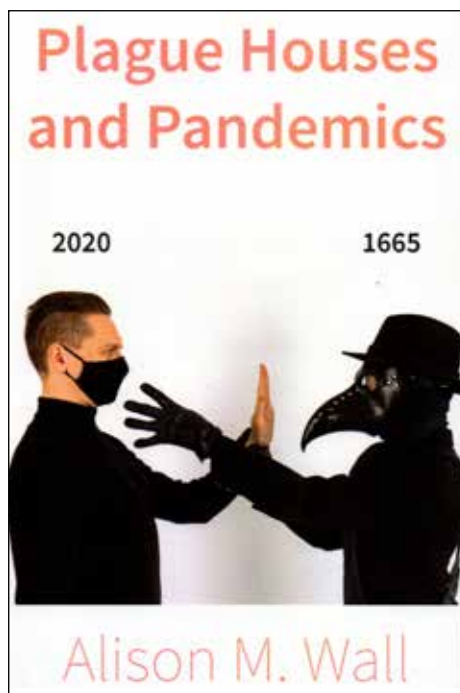
It was written some 400 years before the recent Pandemic, but plagues and pandemics have littered the world throughout history. Our speaker Alison Wall, a former Public Health Strategist, admitted to being obsessed by research into Pest, Plague and Pestilence!

John Milton arrived in Chalfont St Giles to escape London's Bubonic

Plague of 1665. That year, Charles II issued a decree that every Parish had to identify a house, tent, or shed on the outskirts of their Parish, that could serve as a place of isolation for those suffering from the Plague. This seems to be the embryonic stirrings of a public health strategy. The same year, the diarist Samuel Pepys described a maid who had run away from a Pest House being returned to her abode by Pest Coach; best described as a type of sedan chair painted black and enclosed by black curtains. Such contraptions were to be interpreted as 'approach at your peril!'

Alison gave an interesting comparison between the handling of the Bubonic Plague by the Authorities in 1665, and that of the recent Pandemic. In 1665, there seemed to be an understanding of the need for isolation and the care of those suffering from the Plague, but that did not include sending the ill to hospitals. The Pest houses served the isolation function; they had to be made of wood, stone or lime, and windows were not to face south.

Pest Houses tended to occupy sites near water and lime kilns, and if you know where to look, you can still see the remains of a Pest House on the edge of Hodgemoor Woods.



July 2 Digging Up The Bodies - Denise Beddows Researcher and author

About researching and writing about murder. There have been 4 murders in the speaker's family history, which taught her a lot about research.

August 6 Hearing Dogs for Deaf People - Nadine Hodgeson and hearing dog Elvis.

Seer Green Baptist Church; £4 (cash) includes tea/coffee. All welcome.

Elizabeth Lee

Jordans Picture House



Our award-winning pop-up cinema Jordans Picture House has reached a major milestone, as after 10 years the founding members are retiring and handing over the reins to a team lead by Paul Hellewell of Brunel University. The pop-up cinema was created after a 2015 survey about the sorts of activities residents wanted to see in our Village Hall. A cinema was one of the most popular ideas, and Alan Sealy took the initiative to start one up. It's been a great addition to the social life of our community ever since, and a tribute to the dedicated team behind it including David Leutner, Chris Waymouth, and Lorraine Bristow who are also retiring together with Alan.

We very much look forward to seeing the Picture House continue to flourish in Paul Hellewell's capable hands and wish him and his team every success.

Chris Jenkins

There is a common misconception that Jordans Picture House is just for Jordans residents. In fact, on average only 40% of our audience comes from Jordans, with audience members coming from a wide range of villages in the Chilterns and Thames Valley. In addition, as you will see that the new Front of House Manager, Debbie Keegan, comes from Seer Green and the new Chair, Paul Hellewell comes from Chalfont St Giles. The reality is that any event put on in any village is unlikely to be successful without audiences drawn from surrounding villages.

Jordans Picture House is for everyone!

Alan Sealy

Our Living Village: 1831 Enclosure map

From the 1750s land enclosure by Parliamentary Act became the norm in England. This was part of an agricultural revolution intended to facilitate improvement of 'Commons' and 'Lands held in common.' These reforms changed land from common ownership and access rights, to single owners having exclusive rights, effectively ending the medieval system of open-field strip farming.

Seer Green (then still a detached part of Farnham Royal) had been enclosed by the middle of the 16th century (see Community News, December 2025). This was typical across much of the Chilterns as enclosure happened piecemeal, through private negotiation and as property changed hands. Thus, the Parliamentary Act was largely a legal formality, but it had implications for the major landowners and the church.

The Act for "inclosing" Lands in Farnham Royal became law in 1821, with the definitive map produced in 1831. This map (examine it in more detail at www.ourlivingvillage.org) defined boundaries of land ownership, with boundary hedges, fences, and the road layout; establishing parameters for public carriage roads and highways, and with provision for public gravel pits for road repair. This was the time at which the layout of the hamlet was formalised around a central green, and roads were given formal names, but otherwise this is very similar to the Godolphin map of 1753/1802 (Community News, November 2025).

The associated apportionment document also allocated freehold land to the Reverend John Septimus Grover, Rector of Farnham Royal, to compensate for the loss of tithe income, amounting to one fifth of all arable and one eighth of the meadows and pasture within the open-fields. Thus, together with the central green, the estate of New Barn Farm (coloured blue on this map) became church glebe-land.

Nigel Rothwell - ourlivingvillage@hotmail.com



"Seer Green" Enclosure Map (© Berkshire Record Office)

Cookham, Cock Marsh and The Bounty

An easy and flat walk around meadows beside The Thames with an optional pub stop.

Length: 3.4 miles

Start point: Car Park on the B4447 just west of Cookham

Difficulty: Easy

This month's walk is a fairly short and flat one – but we've still managed to sneak in a delightful pub about two thirds of the way round! It takes us around the National Trust meadows alongside the Thames to the north of Cookham. There are delightful views of the meadows, the river and Bourne End on the opposite bank, and across to the hills up above Wooburn. It's also a great opportunity to look enviously at some fabulous waterside houses!



Start at the car park just west of Cookham and, after you leave the car park, turn left on the footpath. Follow the footpath round to the right with the ditch then meadows on your right and a slope upwards on your left. The latter shortly becomes Winter Hill Golf Club. After about three quarters of a mile, pass under the railway and continue to follow the path with Cock Marsh on your right and the now steep slopes up to Winter Hill on your left. When you reach a signposted path junction turn right towards the river and, after a few hundred yards, right again. You will shortly come to the river and follow the bank until you reach The Bounty.

This is a lovely and unique pub that can only be reached by footpaths or water. They have a great terrace beside The Thames and pride themselves on welcoming walkers and dogs. However, check opening hours before going – especially in winter months. After leaving the pub, carry on along the river bank and back under the railway and after about two thirds of a mile the river starts to turn to the left. Carry straight on here leaving the river, and follow the path across the meadow back to the car park.

David Tryon

The JAVs Are Back

Last month, Jordans Taverners (the JAVs) staged their first home match of the 2026 season at the Recreation Ground, thus bringing cricket back to Seer Green after an 8-year sojourn in the upper slopes of Coleshill.

The club are delighted to return to the ground in the heart of the village, a stone's throw from their spiritual home at the Jolly Cricketers, to where the players almost inevitably repair after a day's toil in the field.

Formed in 2002 from a merger of Jordans Village Cricket Club, Chalfont Taverners and Green Dragons, the JAVs enjoyed 16 years at the Rec, building up a strong base of local players and retaining long-standing fixtures against Penn Street, Fleet Street Strollers the Fox and Hounds and many others.

Most games are played on a Sunday afternoon - with a sprinkling of evening T20 fixtures- between

May and September and the club is always looking out for more members, whether they be players - all ages and abilities welcome - spectators or just wanting to help the Club in some capacity. Games are played in a friendly spirit and the Club tries to ensure that everyone who plays gets a chance to contribute.

Nets are held during the season on a Wednesday from 6pm at the Rec and this is a good opportunity for newcomers to get involved and join in.

Alternatively, those interested in learning more about the Club can come and watch us at a game - fixture lists are available at the Jolly Cricketers - or contact:

Will Barton, Chairman - 07711 290271 or Joe Baker, Club Captain 07568 552847.

Tim Sonnex

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 2 July 8pm	8 O'Clock Club - Digging up the Bodies - Denise Beddows
Sun 5 July 1pm	Jordans Taverners Cricket - Hampton Woodlawn
Sun 12 July 1pm	Jordans Taverners Cricket - Penn Street
Sun 12 July 1pm-7pm	Jordans Village - Music on the Green
Sun 12 July 7.30pm	Jordans Music Club - London Handel Players

Tues 14 July 7.30pm
Sun 19 July 1pm
Sun 26 July 1pm
Sun 2 August 1.30pm
Thurs 6 August 8pm

Sun 9 August 1pm
Sun 23 August 1pm
Sun 6 Sept 12 noon
Tues 8 Sept 7.30pm
Fri 11 - Sat 12 Sept
Sun 13 Sept 12 noon
Sun 13 Sept 4pm
Sat 19 Sept 2.30-4.00pm
Sun 20 Sept 12 noon

Cherry Pie WI - Mini games evening
Jordans Taverners Cricket - West Wycombe
Jordans Taverners Cricket - Ballinger
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Janet's Good Reads



Yesteryear – Caro Claire Burke

Yesteryear is the biggest word of mouth book for years – it seems everyone is talking about it both in the media and in person.

It is the story of Natalie, a conservative Christian influencer living her seemingly picture-perfect life on an Idaho farm with her handsome nepo baby husband and 6 perfect children. One day she wakes up in the same house, only it's the year 1805. Suddenly all her traditional values and habits are no longer just aesthetic choices, they have become her new reality.

From the very first pages, we're drawn into the mystery of what truly happened to Natalie which drives the narrative forward. She's a complex, unlikeable protagonist but that somehow adds to the plot.

The commentary on social media, religion, familial expectation and the rising trend of 'trad wives' is food for thought.

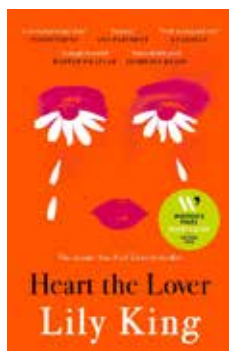
The twist at the end took me by surprise, I've read that many hated the ending, but I think that this book is an incredibly ambitious and impressive debut novel.

Heart the Lover – Lily King

This is a beautifully written and emotionally nuanced novel – intimate and character driven.

The story begins when the narrator (nicknamed Jordan), while in her last year at college, meets two brilliant fellow students Sam & Yashi.

Their lives become forever intertwined as their relationships evolve. She reminisces on their time together, growing up whilst musing over academia. The experience has marked and shaped her, now a writer with a husband



and 2 beloved sons. She has to confront and revisit the past, laying ghosts to rest and address the choices made in her youth that have shaped the present.

It's heart-breaking, yet full of wit and charm. A page turner but never rushed. A really philosophical and insightful novel which to be honest, I don't think you'd get from the cover which in my opinion suggests a chick lit read.

I've never read anything by this author before, but would look out for her future books.

The Things We Never Say – Elizabeth Strout

If you, like me, enjoy character-driven fiction, Elizabeth Strout's latest novel is an absolute must-read. The story follows Artie Dam, a high school history teacher who seems to have a peaceful life on the Massachusetts coast. Underneath that calm surface, though, he is dealing with a profound, suffocating sense of isolation.

Everything changes when a massive family secret comes to light, forcing him to face his own past and the messy reality of human connection.

What makes this book so fascinating is how Strout weaves Artie's personal crisis into the larger, tense backdrop of the 2024 presidential election.

It is a beautiful, sometimes heartbreaking look at how old traumas and the things we leave unsaid, can completely reshape our lives. Her writing is simple yet incredibly sharp, reminding us how little we know about the people around us.

I love her writing and would recommend any of her novels, but this stand-alone book is one that will stay with me.

Janet Stewart



Children's Summer Activity

How about growing your own Microgreens...Yum!

You can watch your food grow and then make a delicious sandwich or salad with the result.

You will need:

- A tray with drainage holes - it could be a plastic food tray that normally gets recycled. (ideally no smaller than 24cm x 20cm)
- Enough Compost to fill the tray.
- A clear container with no holes to cover the tray - again a food tray that's been washed would work.
- A packet of Microgreens from the Garden centre. There are different varieties or mixed.
- Something to gently spray the soil with water - a spray bottle.



'The letter F'

Instructions

1. Fill the tray with compost.
2. With your fingers or a spoon make a shallow channel in the shape of the first letter of your name. Make it fill the tray with a border around it.
3. Scatter the channel with the seeds evenly and use most or all of the packet.
4. Press the seeds in gently and leave uncovered.
5. Spray the seeds a little then cover with the clear tray.
6. Once the seedlings begin to grow, uncover them and spray daily until they are ready to use in your lunch!

Enjoy eating food you have grown yourself.

And if you really enjoyed it you can do it again!

Carol Wright

Places to take the Children this Summer

Amersham Museum

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amershammuseum.org/visit

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