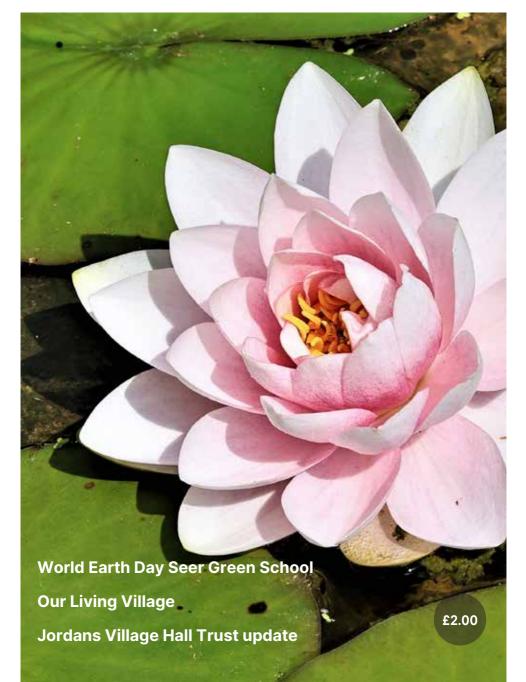
COMMUNITY NEWS

Seer Green and Jordans Parish Magazine

June 2024





Thought for the Month

I'm often asked how I ended up being in Seer Green, having been in Derby for the first part of my life. This summer marks 20 years since I first drove into Seer Green on August bank holiday 2004, to spend 5 days running the Baptist Church's holiday club. For the following 3 years I returned to run events, before in 2007, I moved here to work with the Baptist Church focusing on children, families and community work. In 2015 my role expanded, and I started working with both SGBC and Holy Trinity Church.

In 2004 little did I know that that first encounter with this little village and its community would change my life, win over my heart and that 20 years later I would still be here,



writing this. It hasn't always been an easy ride, and on a couple of occasions I contemplated leaving, but God had other plans for me and I'm so thankful I stayed.

I'm sure we all have different reasons for arriving in Seer Green and Jordans, perhaps a draw of family or friends, the beautiful countryside, the good transport links, the proximity to work, but I wonder what it is that makes us stay. Perhaps all of the above, but maybe it's something deeper. Our villages have a community spirit not found in many places. This is shown in many ways, from wonderful events and activities encouraging community interactions, to helping to reunite lost pets and parcels via the community WhatsApp groups.

The parable of the prodigal son which Jesus gave, shared the important message to "love our neighbour". Whether you are someone of faith or not, I'm sure all can appreciate that through loving and supporting one another our community life can find a richness and value added which make us want to stay!

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From the Editors

We have a lot of interesting articles to read this month about our villages and some great events lined up. See the results of the Fairy Tale Fete competition and read about a very interesting documentary film 'Six Inches of Soil' coming to a venue near you.

We hope that the sun is going to make more of an appearance in June to cheer us up and help make all the events more enjoyable.

With best wishes Sue Puttergill, Carol Wright and Jill Moody

The Editors

Next Month's Magazine

Please send all contributions for the double edition July/August issue to: editorseergreen@gmail.com by 7 June 2024. 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 jpeq format, preferably 300 dpi.

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

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Front cover photo - Chris Waymouth 'Water Lily'

Holy Trinity Services in June

10am Traditional Holy Communion Service with organ 2 June

10.30am Midweek Communion 5 June

8am BCP Communion Service 9 June

10am Morning Praise

10am Holy Communion Service 16 June

Families @ 3:30pm

8am BCP Communion Service 23 June

10am Traditional Morning Praise with organ

30 June 10am Morning Praise

For information about activities for children and families, please contact Janna Holder on 07764 490960.

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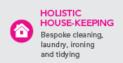
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Summer term for families

The two new monthly Sunday gatherings, aimed at those with preschool and primary aged children continue in June. Families @ 3.30, hosted at Holy Trinity will take place on Sunday 16 June. Fun and Faith, at Seer Green Baptist Church will be on **23 June** from 9.15 – 10am. Both of these gatherings seek to enable families to explore faith in a fun, informal way. All are welcome.

Who Let the Dads Out continues on Saturday **15 June**, 9.30-11.15am at Seer Green Baptist Church. All Dads, Grandads and male carers with their 0-7s are invited to enjoy toys, activities and bacon butties.

Seer Green CE School holds its annual Cherry Pie Fair on Saturday 22 June, 12 - 2.30pm. Please come and support our primary school.

If you would like more information on any of the above, please get in contact with Janna.

And a personal note from me...

As many will know the beginning of this year was particularly traumatic for me following a serious infection after a wisdom tooth extraction, resulting in emergency surgery, 6 days in the John Radcliffe hospital, and a long recovery period. At one point I wasn't sure I would make it back home but thank God I did. The love, support, prayers and the financial gift I received from this community was overwhelming, from both friends and strangers. You have really made a difference and I'm so grateful - Thank you.

Janna Holder

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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. If you can Gift Aid your donation, please add your name and address.

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

Charity of the month



Charity of the month

St Andrew's Church High Wycombe

working with PAFT (PARENTS AS FIRST TEACHERS) group where women can find the support they need to enable them to cope better with the stresses and struggles they have in their lives. They offer an opportunity to spend time with other mothers and support volunteers whilst participating in a varied programme.

Sessions look at life issues, and life skills like money management, healthy eating cookery sessions, family well being and more.

"A safe and welcoming space where mothers share the highs and lows of life. It helps women to value themselves and grow in confidence as mothers to raise happy, healthy and kind children."

Health Visitor

Termly programs Tuesday mornings

Close relationships with community services

Provide a strong support network for women

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Seer Green CE School

World Earth Day



Having received a grant from Rebel Restoration, a company which seeks to improve ecosystems and empower communities, the children celebrated World Earth Day by working together to enhance our environment.

Below are extracts from letters the Year 6 children (aged 10-11 years) wrote thanking the company for the donation.

We are extremely grateful for this donation and have been eager to do our bit for the environment and help animals and wildlife feel at home in our school grounds.

Katy

We have used this money wisely by buying flower planters to help insects and bees live their lives and help us.

May

With some of the money we bought bird houses and enjoyed making and painting them.

Lotte

The Reception and Year 1 classes painted and decorated the welcoming bird boxes with the assistance of the Year 5 and 6 children. Meanwhile, the other classes helped by planting flowers and picking up litter around the area.

Robert

I am a member of the school's Eco-Council. I helped with the application for the grant. I was very excited about the bird houses and we also ordered a hedgehog box.

Jake



Seer Green Gardeners

Once again the Baptist Church was buzzing for the Spring Show in early April. Owing to the very early Spring, prolific tulips and flowering shrubs compensated for the scant appearance of daffodils. Thanks to all our wonderful volunteers, exhibitors and to everyone who came and enjoyed the event.

At the time of writing, we are waiting for the rain to stop so we can help the School's reception year with planting their spuds in buckets again! They'll be harvesting them at the end of term.

It looks like a bumper early summer for garden and nature lovers...

Sunday 9 June

Chalfont St Giles Open Gardens 11am to 5pm. Tickets £6 available on the Village Green on the day.

Chiltern Open Air Museum's 'Green Festival' featuring entertaining gardenoriented theatre. More information on COAM's website.

Saturday 22 June

If you count yourself amongst people mega-concerned about the future of nature, restorenaturenow.com is organising a march in London. Meet on the 11.08 train from Seer Green and Jordans station with your banners and packed lunch! Contact Jordans Biodiversity Group for more information Jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com

Wednesday 24 July

Seer Green Gardeners outing to RHS Wisley, open to all residents on a first come first served basis. £25 per person to include coach travel, garden admission, guided tour of the gardens and voucher for a complimentary tea and cake. Email or visit our website for further information and booking.

Suggestions for June gardening

 If you're growing a spud in a bucket, remember to talk to it nicely - and don't let it dry out!

- Slug pellets of any kind are not nature-friendly and most types of slugs are beneficial. Beer traps target the culprits. Cheapest beer in bottom section of a yoghurt pot.
- Sow carrots this month for big roots that you can harvest during winter.

Bluebells - learn the difference.

Spanish (left): invasive and driving out our lovely drooping native variety (right)





Sally Ash - seergreengardeners@gmail.com www.seergreengardeners.org



JORDANS VILLAGE SUMMER FAYRE JUNE 8TH

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Stephen Salter 07766 730922 2a Meadowside Ray Munn 07956 877509 Conifers, Crutches Lane

ONE CAN

Can you help?

As most of you will know, I have been collecting for One Can Trust Food Bank in High Wycombe for over 4 years now.

There are 5 collection points around the village, and I have wonderful, supportive people who drop the contents to my house. Seer Green is incredibly generous, and I have a boot load every week.

I take the donations to the warehouse towards the end of the week for distribution to individuals and families in need of some support.

Would you be willing to share this load with me?

I am looking for people to be on a rota to load the items into their cars from the container at the rear of my house and take them to the warehouse in High Wycombe.

Depending on how many offers I get, this would probably be only once a month.

Please get in touch with me directly if you feel that this is something you could do and I can give you more details.

Janet - janetestewart@gmail.com 07740 857451

Northern lights



On the evening of Friday 10 May over One Tree Field by Janna



8 O'Clock Club

Very recently I saw some archive footage of a TV programme called "The Magic Roundabout". One of the characters was a snail called Brian who very prominently displayed his house on his back – along with a straw hat to protect his antennae and a scarf to keep his neck warm!

This came to mind when John
Tyler returned to speak about
Animal Architecture, where the
structures fashioned by birds and
insects are no less magnificent than
those built by humans. Traits of
intricacy, delicacy, instinctiveness,
complexity, and sheer hard work
were beautifully illustrated by John's
amazing photographs of the natural
world.

It was fascinating to hear that the building materials used by some of our smallest creatures are the equivalent of our wood, plaster, insulation, and sealing compounds! Building material is locally sourced and nothing goes to waste; even droppings are recycled. The Bagworm moth takes this to extreme, with the young eating the mother plus cocoon, so giving a whole new meaning to Keep Britain Tidy!

The largest structures built by a bird in this country are swans' nests that can measure up to 1.8m across. Also able to span 1.8m are spiders' webs, with John explaining each stage of the build-process from a ball of silk played out on the breeze, to the "scaffolding" built by the spider for safe and practical construction of the web. The spider covers some of the threads with a sticky glue, which when the spider first vibrates the thread, turns the glue into a series of droplets in a regular pattern of one small droplet in-between two large droplets.

From money spiders that build nests over ant hills for a sturdier platform, to weevils and leaf-cutter bees that turn humble leaves into secure dwellings, Animal Architecture really is an eye-opener!

Thursday June 6

'My Life in Broadcasting' by Bill Hamilton – Journalist and Broadcaster

Cost £4 (cash) with tea/coffee included. All welcome.

Bill will have copies of his book for sale @ £10 (cash/cheque)

Thursday July 4

Alexander Litvinenko. The Spy Who Solved His Own Murder – Paul Barwick Retired Met Detective

Elizabeth Lee



Memory Partners Tai chi café

Refreshments, chat and qi gong

Monday, 10.50 – 11.50 St. Michael's Church Hall

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goodwin.kpr@gmail.com



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Further details from Sue 01494 532088

sastuart@globalnet.co.uk

Research shows that everyone can benefit from doing tai chi.

There are many health benefits: physical, emotional, social and cognitive.

Memory Partners is a charity which aims to spread these benefits widely to older adults. Donations are used to train more instructors.

We especially welcome people with long-term health conditions to the café. Everyone breathes. Tai

chi promotes health and wellbeing by helping you to breathe better. **Dates for your diary**

Sunday 2 June 7.30pm **Jordans Music Club** Chiaroscuro Quartet

(strings)

Tuesday 4 June 8pm Jordans Biodiversity Group/Jordans

Picture House - Six Inches of Soil

5-8 June 7.45pm Chiltern Shakespeare Company/Fourways

The Comedy of Errors

Thursday 6 June 8pm 8 O'Clock Club – My Life in Broadcasting

by Bill Hamilton - Journalist and

broadcaster

Saturday 8 June Jordans Village Fair

Saturday 8 June 1.45pm Chiltern Shakespeare Company/Fourways

The Comedy of Errors

Sunday 9 June 10am – 5pm Chiltern Open Air Museum

"Green Festival"

Sunday 9 June 11am – 5pm Chalfont St Giles Open Gardens

12-15 June 7.45pm Chiltern Shakespeare Company/Fourways

The Comedy of Errors

Saturday 15 June 1.45pm Chiltern Shakespeare Company/Fourways

The Comedy of Errors

Sunday 16 June 7.30pm **Jordans Music Club** Ensemble 360

(wind and strings)

Saturday 22 June 12 – 2.30pm SG C of E School – Cherry Pie Fair

Sunday 30 June 7.30pm **Jordans Music Club** Ben Goldscheider

(horn), Hyeyoon Park (violin), and Fiachra

Garvey (piano)

Thursday 4 July 8pm 8 O'Clock Club – Alexander Litvinenko.

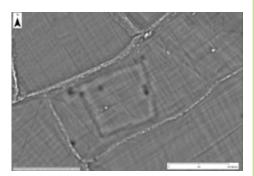
The Spy who solved his own Murder by Paul Barwick – Retired Met. Detective

Sunday 14 July Jordans Music on the Green

Sunday 14 July 7.30pm Jordans Music Club Freddy Kempf (piano)

Our Living Village: What lies beneath?

In March we reported on conducting a geophysical survey over the Park Grove field on Manor Farm, with help from the Chess Valley Archaeological and Historical Society (CVAHS) and using equipment borrowed from University College London (UCL). Our objective was to investigate a rectangular earthwork feature, first recognised on the LiDAR (Light Detection And Ranging) data acquired by the Chilterns Conservation Board in the winter of 2018/19 (see image).



LiDAR image of the Park Grove field earthwork enclosure (© Chiltern Conservation Board)

We hoped this survey might indicate features within the enclosure, perhaps ditches, buried foundations, pits, or evidence of burning. The equipment we used measures very small changes in the local magnetic field, resulting from changes in iron minerals caused by ground disturbance. The results

do not show any clear indication of the rectangular enclosure, but they show some spot anomalies (the black dots in the magnetometer results indicate high magnetic readings). These may have some archaeological significance, but they do not reveal any systematic pattern.



Park Grove field Magnetometer survey results (image @ Google Earth and Kris Lockyear)

This does not mean that there is nothing present, simply that there is insufficient magnetic contrast in the soil. The LiDAR and aerial images demonstrate that the earthworks are of some significance, but we are no wiser as to their origin or purpose! Other geophysical techniques may prove more successful, should we get another opportunity for further investigation in the future.

Kris Lockyear from UCL has documented a short report of the survey outcome on his archaeology blog at www.hertsgeosurvey. wordpress.com.

Nigel Rothwell - ourlivingvillage@ hotmail.com www.ourlivingvillage. ora

An exciting opportunity to volunteer



A very exciting volunteer opportunity has recently arisen in Jordans Village Community Store, situated overlooking the Village Green. Not only is it an opportunity to 'give back' to the wonderful villages in our parish but also a real chance to feel an integral part of our community.

Shifts for counter staff have become available on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. It is quite amazing how involved you will feel offering such a very few hours of your time each month and with added flexibility. You will meet people from both our villages who come in to refill their bottles of washing/dish washing liquid etc at the refilling station or buy some

of our amazing locally produced products (definitely not available in supermarkets).

You will also greet the many walkers who know well that Jordans Village Community Store is the perfect stop for cooling drinks, ice creams and reviving steaming cups of coffee or hot chocolate.

Learning the skills required proves to be far from difficult for those of any age (as alcohol sold minimum age of 18 required) and what is needed is a friendly face and a belief that this is a joyous experience to help a shop that is far from simply somewhere to sell goods. Jordans Village Community Store is a place to welcome all and whatever their position - from lonely at home to worn out from a long walk - to brighten their day.

How to have a chat to find out more?

Simply email Sally, Lesley or Jill our dedicated shop managers at manager@jordansvillagestore.co.uk

Ali Cork

From the Allotments

Strawberries and Cream

June: everywhere green shoots have burst forth out of the ground, covering our plots and filling greenhouses with a wonderful patchwork of colour and deliciousness. Suddenly the results of our winter and spring toil are literally bearing fruit.

There are few things more splendid than tasting the first homegrown strawberries of the year. Take some time to feast your senses on the beauty before you, enjoy the bees and hoverflies going about their business, propagating our vegetables and flowers whilst gathering pollen and nectar for themselves and the colony. Watch ladybird larva munching their way through green fly, parent birds gathering caterpillars for their hungry young, butterflies alighting on flowers and sunning themselves whilst in the night moths will visit the evening primrose flowers, take it all in and enjoy it.....then back to work for there is work to be done!

Now I'm all in favour of some unkempt patches on the plot and in the garden where all mannner of wildlife can safely feed and harbour but it is worth weeding around the crops you have so lovingly nurtured. They need air, light, food and water to thrive and weeds will happily take all of that if allowed. Let weeds

dry out before adding them to the compost heap and take pernicious weeds to the council dump, your plants can then grow happily and be easier to find when cropping.

I hesitate to talk of watering, we have had such a drenching this year keeping us from working the soil, and longed for a dry spell, if only to get some washing dried outside. However the vagaries of season and climate make some drought almost inevitable. A good watering once a week is better than a general spraying often, water around the plants and not the whole area, if you have collected rainwater in butts all the better. Well composted soil will retain water and evening watering prevents early evaporation - although this could be aiding slugs in their nightly forays - another reason not too water on a daily basis!

Trial and error, loss and reward, like all the best things in life an allotment is never finished, there is always more to learn, enjoy and share.

Charlotte from the allotments.



Six Inches of Soil

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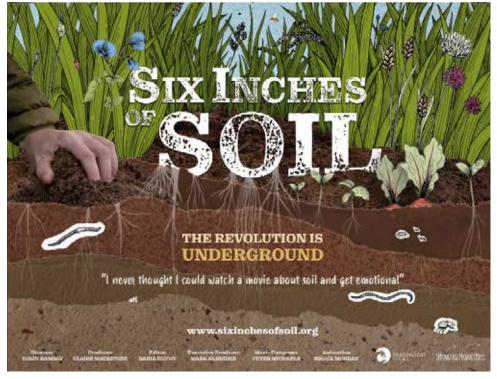
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www.jordanspicturehouse.co.uk/programme-buying-tickets

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Six Inches of Soil tells the inspiring story of young British farmers standing up against the industrial food system and transforming the way they produce food - to heal the soil, our health and provide for local communities. www.sixinchesofsoil.org/

For further information contact jordansbiodiversity@gmail.com





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An update from Jordans Village Hall Trust



Following the presentation of the plans for a new Jordans Village Hall to some 80+ attendees on Saturday 20 April, it is with great pleasure that I introduce our video reproduction of the 'Presentation of the Proposal for the new Village Hall'.

I take the opportunity to thank all of you living in our village, the staff of Jordans Village Nursery School and those who have a close connection with Jordans, for attending. It was wonderful to address a full Village Hall.

The enthusiasm of the project appears to have been caught and those unable to be there have expressed a wish to hear about it. Hence this video, which you can view on youtube by using this link https://youtu.be/6wLGOlx6g4w

I do hope you enjoy watching it and also going through the Proposal Document.

Both of these are also available on a new page on the Village Hall website: www.jordansvillagehall. co.uk/thenewhall.html

We the Trustees sincerely hope that the building of a new Village Hall will cease to be just an idea but will become a reality.

Thank you for all the many expressions of support that we have already received.

Ali Cork - Chair, Jordans Village Hall Trust

Magical illustrations from the Fairy Tale Fete

We are proud to present the winners of this year's fairy tale drawing competition. Well done to all the Seer Green children who took part!

The children of Seer Green Pre-School as well as the Reception and Year 1 classes of Seer Green School were invited to draw a scene from their favourite fairy tale to be displayed at this year's Fairy Tale Fete, with some rather magical results.

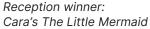
Local artist Sarah Allen once again stepped in to judge the three winners who would see their artworks printed in this magazine. She enjoyed looking at all of the children's pictures very much and was impressed by the amount of effort and imagination that had gone into them.

The Pre-School winner was Emilia for her 'wonderful red-haired' Little Mermaid, while another Little Mermaid earned Cara the top prize in Reception class with her use of 'detail and colour'. Mary was the Year 1 winner, depicting characters from Frozen 'showing so much detail and fun'.

The Pre-School runners-up were Eve for her colourful Frozen scene, Harry for his fairytale prince and Leo for his clever portrayal of Spider-Man. Chloe and Eliott were the Reception class runners-up for their Gingerbread Men that looked good enough to eat. The Year 1 runners-up were Josef for his Harry Potter (complete with Hedwig hitching a ride on the broomstick), Henry for his fullon Dog Man scene and Brontë for her charmingly expressive Hansel and Gretel.



Pre-School winner: Emila's The Little Mermaid





Year 1 winner: Mary's Frozen



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Beer Fest: A great weekend for the whole family!

Seer Green Beer & Music Festival is back for its eighth year - see Poster for more details.

Since its inception in 2014 as an event to raise funds for a new Scout Hut, the festival has grown into a spectacular celebration; a chance to gather together to sample fabulous beers, wines and spirits, enjoy tasty 'festival food' and listen to live music, including many talented home-grown bands. With plenty of activities for the kids on the Saturday afternoon, there really is something for everyone.

We have an amazing lineup this year. Friday night features everpopular covers band, **The Curable**,



with their headline set bringing you the sounds of Oasis, Arctic Monkeys, Stereophonics, The Killers and more. Also taking to the stage on the Friday are talented local youth bands **Soundcheck in the Alley, House on Fire, CRAW and Xscape**, plus the fantastic Aylesbury-based band **Black Friday** who release their first EP this summer. Friday promises to be an incredible night of upcoming musical talent which you won't want to miss!

On the Saturday, **Blind Diviner** (a.k.a. 'Al Breeze's Band'), who have played every single Beer Fest to date, will once again be taking centre stage to entertain us with fantastic rock covers from AC/DC, Led Zeppelin and Nirvana. They will be joined by **These Certain People**, a high energy pop and rock band who cover everything from The Beatles to Duran Duran and Harry Styles and who are guaranteed to get you dancing along! You'll also be delighted to hear that **The Derivatives** will also be returning, along with many other artists, delivering a fantastic weekend's entertainment.

In the words of Kay Senior, the Festival Committee Chair, "It's incredible to have an event like this literally on our doorstep! It's always an absolutely amazing weekend that brings the whole village together, whilst raising funds to support the Scouts."

STOP PRESS: Saturday tickets have already SOLD OUT – please buy your FRIDAY tickets soon to avoid disappointment!

Jordans Music Club

81st Summer Festival 2024

Jubilee Hall, Seer Green, HP9 2QJ near Beaconsfield at 7.30pm

We are delighted to announce four live concerts this summer in our usual venue of the Jubilee Hall. Come and enjoy a glass of wine along with some fine music from musicians of international calibre without high prices or the need to travel into London.

Sunday 30 June – Ben Goldscheider (horn), Hyeyoon Park (violin) and Fiachra Garvey (piano)

Ben Goldscheider has given recitals at major concert halls across Europe, making his BBC Proms concerto debut in 2022. He is principal horn of the West-Eastern Divan Orchestra.

Hyeyoon Park is an artist of outstanding focus and virtuosity, combining effortlessly rich sonority with musical integrity. A passionate chamber musician, she regularly appears at major festivals and venues such as Wigmore Hall, Concertgebouw, and London's Southbank Centre.



Prize winning pianist, Fiachra Garvey, performs at venues such as Wigmore Hall, Bridgewater Hall Manchester, Snape Maltings Aldeburgh, and Wexford Opera House.



Takemitsu Distance de Fee (violin and piano)

Boroff - Sonata for Horn and Piano

Schumann Sonata for Violin and Piano - No.1 in A minor, Op. 105

Watkins - Horn Trio

Brahms - Horn Trio in Eb Major Op. 40



Sunday 14 July – Freddy Kempf (piano)

For our last concert, we welcome back Freddy Kempf. Freddy is one of today's most successful pianists, performing to sell-out audiences all over the world. Exceptionally gifted with an unusually broad repertoire, Freddy has built a unique reputation as an explosive and physical performer who is not afraid to take risks as well as a serious, sensitive and profoundly musical artist.

Beethoven - Piano Sonata in C Major, Op. 53 'Waldstein'

Schubert - 6 Moments Musicaux D.780

Rachmaninov - 6 Moments Musicaux Op.16

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On the Wild Side in June: Peacock butterfly

I have to admit I love bashing stinging nettles: I dislike their tatty tassles, and the way small children have to wear long sleeves and trousers to survive a summer footpath. But just as English rain gives us our green and pleasant land, nettles give us Peacock butterflies, and gardeners who keep a patch of nettles in a sunny corner may be rewarded.

The Peacock, *Inachis io*, is one of our larger butterflies. Rather than migrating, it overwinters in deadwood, attics, and outbuildings. My neighbour found one bumbling about in her garage in March; with luck it made its way outside to fatten up on bluebells and primroses, and to find a mate.

The males perform aerial display duels with their rivals, and the females lay green eggs on the underside of nettle leaves. Their spiny black and white caterpillars feed almost solely on nettles. They emerge from their cocoons in July as adults, to begin the cycle again, and to reward the gardener by pollinating her flowers.

The life of a Peacock butterfly is not all sunny nectar sipping though: they are predated by spiders, wood mice and birds. Their first line of defence is to keep their wings shut and mimic a dead leaf. But if a predator approaches, they will

suddenly spread them wide with terrifying effect, displaying four eye spots and hissing by rubbing them together. Researchers have found that wild blue tits were far less successful at catching intact Peacocks than those whose spots were painted over.



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The Peacock butterfly is one of those exceptional species that appears to be benefiting from the warming climate. They are found in a temperate band from the UK to Japan, but since 2000 they have extended their range into northern Scotland right up to Shetland.

Peacock wing hissing: https://tinyurl.com/vaf3mfcr

Nora Bennett

Chiltern Young Archaeologists Club (YAC) celebrate their 25th Anniversary

Since 1972 the Council for British Archaeology has run the UK wide YAC network, the only club for 8-16 year-olds for archaeology and heritage. There are 70+ clubs run by over 500 volunteers. The Chiltern Branch has always met locally, currently in Jordans Village Hall, and in March we celebrated our 25th Anniversary. This is a significant achievement as not many YAC Branches thrive for so long!

What do we do? We look at past world cultures and investigate local heritage including, when possible, participation in local community excavations. We always have a practical, experimental archaeological or craft activity during our monthly meetings.



For this special occasion, Will Attard, an archaeologist with Thames Valley Archaeological Services, came to share his expertise of the Mesolithic and flint with us. He brought slate pieces and flint tools for our members to create their own Mesolithic inspired pendants.

Following this, we were joined by families, former YAC Leaders and alumni, and representatives from local archaeological and heritage groups. About 70 people enjoyed a buffet lunch whilst we watched a short presentation of the highlights of the past 25 years.

The celebration was an enjoyable and successful event, thanking some of the people and organisations who have helped us develop the next generation of archaeologists and historians! Here's looking forward to our continuing success over the next 25 years...

We are a small membership group always keen to engage with outside speakers, crafts people, sites of interest and of course opportunities for excavation or other archaeological activities. We are currently oversubscribed but manage a waiting list. If you have relevant skills, are interested in volunteering or for more information please contact us at: chilternyac@hotmail.co.uk

Janet Rothwell - Chiltern YAC Co-Leader



Pissaladière

Pissaladière is like a pizza but without the cheese. It is perfect as a summer lunch with salad or cut into small squares for canapes. Leave out the anchovies for a vegetarian option.

Ingredients

Dough

- 250g strong plain flour
- 2.5ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- 2.5ml (1/2 tsp) sugar
- 10ml (2 tsp) fast action yeast
- 45ml (3 Tbsp) olive oil
- 150ml lukewarm water

Topping

- 8 medium onions, peeled and thinly sliced
- 30ml (2 Tbsp) olive oil
- 25g butter
- Black pepper
- 15ml (1 Tbsp) fresh thyme, chopped
- × 100g jar anchovies, drained and sliced in half lengthwise
- 1 small jar black pitted olives, drained
- Extra olive oil to drizzle

Method

Start by making the dough - place the flour, salt, sugar, and yeast in a mixing bowl. Mix the oil with the lukewarm water and add to the dry ingredients, stir to make a soft dough. Knead the dough for 5 minutes.

Place the dough in a clean bowl and leave covered in a warm place until doubled in size (1 hour).

Meanwhile, prepare the topping - heat the oil and butter in a saucepan, add the onions. Lower the heat, stir, and cover. Leave to soften for 30 minutes.

Remove the lid and increase the heat to evaporate excess liquid, stir continuously for an extra 5 minutes. Transfer to a bowl, stir in the thyme and pepper, leave to cool.

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Roll the dough on a floured surface to a 30 × 30cm square.

Transfer the dough to a lined baking tray and leave to prove in a warm place for 20 minutes.

PRE-HEAT the oven to 200°C fan.

Spread the onions on top the dough and lay the anchovies over in diagonal strips, in both directions. In the middle of each diamond pattern place an olive.

Drizzle with a little extra olive oil and bake in the oven for 20 minutes until golden brown.

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