

Burton Morewood School Carol Concert

2.00pm St James Church
Wednesday 16 December

Service at 6.30pm in Church for parents

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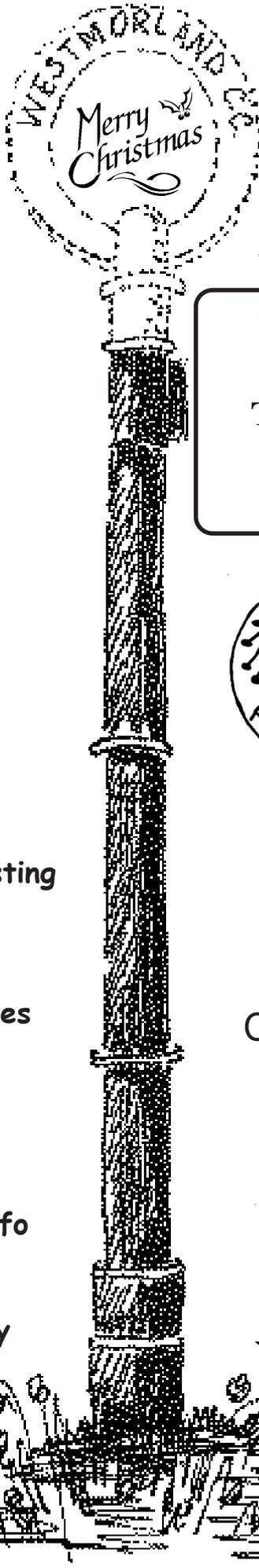
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Christmas Fair & Nativity
Burton Memorial Hall
Saturday 12 December
10am till 12pm

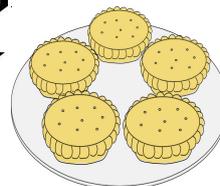
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Dear BN,

In reply to Roy Healey

Please can I thank Roy for his kind compliments re the Onion Show and his request for more budding gardeners to come forth and exhibit their produce at the Onion Show. We can only echo that sentiment and trust that the Allotment Association will generate those gardeners. On a positive note we had new exhibitors at Onion Show 2009 and we would like to encourage many more to take part.

On the point re the distribution of the Onion Show funds please may I point out that the decision to give to charities was made by the Sports Committee. The first 50% of funds raised donation was to Macmillan Cancer Care in memory of the late Peter Sandham, in recognition of the work done by Macmillan in supporting Peter and his family.

Every year since then the Sports and Onion Show Committees have agreed to donate 50% of proceeds raised to cancer charities and this year to British Heart Foundation. Each of these charities has a local base in Lancaster, Preston and Kendal. To answer what they do for the Onion Show: simply ask anyone in the village who has been a beneficiary of treatment for cancer or heart conditions. A number of us might not have been here if it was not for the skill of Lancaster and Preston hospitals and the charities who support them.

In the past as families have grown up it was quite common to hear the statement, "I have done my bit, my children have grown up and there is no need for me to support the Onion Show any longer." By extending the donations outside the village, the support

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for the Onion Show has grown by being of wider appeal. In real terms the Sports Committee receives a larger amount of money than it did previously. Now people tell us they support the Onion Show because it supports these charities and teaches our children the generosity of giving to good causes. Looking forward to a successful Onion Show 2010, with lots of vegetables from new growers.

John Long

CONDOLENCES

All of us at Burton News would like to send our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Charlie and Jackie Nicholson, whose sudden loss has shocked us all.

FLOODING AWARENESS

Where to find information about flood risks

The following are useful numbers for anyone worried about flooding:

Floodline: 0845 988 1188

Environment Agency enquiries: 08708 506 506

Cumbria Police casualty bureau: 0800 0560944 or 020 71580010

More info on how to cope with flooding on the Environment Agency website:

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/floods/default.aspx>

Keeping up with what's happening

Also, keep listening to BBC Radio Cumbria for details from the emergency services and other agencies. You can tune in on 95.6FM, 96.1FM, 104.1FM and 756, 837, 1458 MW or via your computer using the 'Listen Live' link at www.bbc.co.uk/cumbria.

Cumbria Flood Recovery Fund

There is also a fund for individuals, families and voluntary groups who suffered in the flooding on 19 November. All donations to help will be most welcome: see www.cumbriafoundation.org or call the dedicated phone line 01900 820827. If people want to donate cash they can pop along to any branch of the Cumberland Society and the Furness Building Society or any UK branch of the HSBC bank.

Thanks!

A massive thank you to Moira Rowley from all the children (and parents) in Burton and surrounding areas for all her hard work and determination in getting the playground up and running. Well done for such a big task which is being used and appreciated by all.

MOTO Quiz Results

A quiz in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, organised by Susan Williamson for MOTO in the Community, was recently held in the Memorial Hall.

Ten teams took part, some dressed in Halloween costume, and Dave Williamson was the question master. A break was taken for an excellent hot pot supper and to draw the raffle.

Quiz winners were *Four Batty Women*: Kath Duckett, Jackie Nicholson, Glenis Smith and Sue Williamson with 78 points and runners-up were *The Shakers*: Ernie Entwistle, Stephanie Micklethwaite, Barry Morgan and Anne Nichols, with 73 points. £350 was raised.

BONFIRE NIGHT

Burton Childrens' Sports Committee would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came along to the Village Bonfire and Fireworks! It was great to see so many coming out on a cold wet evening. It was also good to see some villagers giving a donation and then watching from their own gardens - thank you very much.

There were some fantastic pumpkins entered into the competition and the eventual winner was Sol Metcalfe.

'A Taste of Christmas'

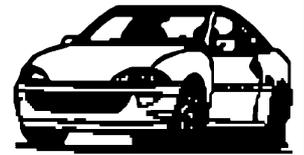
Many, many thanks to all who came along and supported this event at the end of last month. St James' Church is delighted to tell you that all monies raised on the day have been given to Famine Relief-Kenya. A grand total of £769 - 100% of which will be used to provide food for the hungry. Thank you all!



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Outdoors

Northward from the Clawthorpe road, through the gate and past the entrance to the local nature reserve, all is leafmould under your feet, dense spruce and massive beech on either side. Going out onto the Greyrocks is like stepping out from gloaming into the day again. In this broad space floored with limestone, surfaces gleam, vistas expand. The church and the high-point on Vicarage Lane are visible, just, and blue fells rise up in the distance as though in another world.

The great reef has kept its beauty in spite of being half-flayed for its 'picturesque' stone. The usual walkway slanting across it is spoiled, lumpy rock like badly poured concrete. Leave it and walk out onto the original elephant-grey boilerplates and you're amongst weird beauty. Surfaces are smooth as a salmon's back, seamed by runnels five or six inches across and two or three inches deep. They flow into each other, veins feeding arteries. They deepen into mini-gorges fledged with sycamores and ashes which grow four feet up from the root before they feel sunlight and wind. If you let your eyes trace this maze of gutters shallowly downhill westward, you can feel your senses opening out like the flight-feathers of a buzzard. Here a groove deepens into an oval hole, its bottom filled with gravel and darkness. Here a groove links with others in a network like the skeleton of a tree.

The voices of the place are audible if you stop and listen: a rustling of withered sycamore and oak leaves, beneath it the contralto breathing of the wind, above it the barking of two ravens flying high together.

The stone merchants did their best to ruin the place, until the trade in limestone-pavement products was made illegal. (For a time they sourced them from Ireland.) When we first came here in 1977, the stripping of the top two or three feet had only just finished. Plants have grown in again - ash seedlings, brambles, prostrate cotoneaster, holly. What looked bleak then is now feathery with foliage. The scars of the plundering are indelible: drill-holes on the cross-section where the surface was rived off, litters of broken stone. Near the eastern bound where a drystone dyke (and many

notices) debar you from Holme Park Quarry, one sleek surface (formed by trillions of sea creatures in a warm ocean, then planed by glaciers) has been pocked by drilling - a row of twelve holes two inches deep - I suppose they were getting ready to split off some more stone. Nearby, on my umpteenth visit, I noticed the initials 'E B' chiselled in letters three inches high.

Where the dyke is met by the forest fence, there used to be a gap where you could easily step through. This was wired up years ago. Looking eastward you can see how the limestone pavement was breached by the quarrymen. On the far side of the great hole some natural cliffs rise up, which I'd love to climb, and may do if I live to see the closing of the quarry and its landscaping into a park after 2020. How far the pavement stretched I do not know. We can only imagine what this upland of rock and grass and juniper and hawthorn was like after the ice-sheets melted and before the drills, the dynamite, and the dumper trucks arrived.

David Craig

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W.I. NEWS

We had our annual meeting in November. It was attended by 20 members. Our President for the next year is Mrs Eileen Kirby. Our secretary and treasurer remain the same: Miss Jill Chennells and Mrs Helen Nixon. We welcome our new committee members and hope they enjoy helping to make our WI tick.

Our Christmas coffee morning was well attended and we extend our thanks to all our helpers and those who supported us.

Our December meeting is a Jacobs Join for our Christmas party.

Our January meeting, on Thursday 14, is a talk by Kirsty Pelling about taking her family on a cycling holiday in Europe.

All our meetings start at 7.30pm and visitors are always welcome.

We would like to wish all our members and friends a very Happy Christmas and thank you to Burton News for publishing our reports.

Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum

meets at the
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on Tuesday 8 December at 7.30pm

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Roger Reports...

Money is not just the root of all evil but, specifically, is the basis of all we try to do in our council work. The root of all our difficulties is that no single person wants to spend the peoples' money precisely in the same way, when or where. Locally I am wrangling against my fellow members who have their own priorities, to try and get the resurfacing of Vicarage Lane raised from a category 3 priority to 4 - or to the highest number 5 - so that the work can be done in the coming financial year rather than involve extra temporary and costly repairs having to be made to prevent the road (especially near Vicarage Close) from being washed away.

Sadly, the highways budget for our southern area of the county has an overspend of £27,177 and the Annual Packet of Measures an overspend of £11,292. These figures can be balanced against a predicted underspend of £84,000 on the 'Non Principal Network Structural Maintenance' budget from which we may be able to squeeze something to bring the Vicarage Lane repairs forward. With some difficulty we did manage to make a saving of £1,800 by cancelling an Ulverston bus leaflet as the information is available elsewhere. Our problems are aggravated by the old issues of sparsity and rurality, as Cumbria has to maintain the greatest proportion of road miles per head of population of any English county. In all we maintain 7,300km of road network, 1,700 structures (like bridges), 160,000 gulleys (road drains), and 44,000 street lights. After last year's freeze-up we have also increased the county's gritting and salting budget by over £1m and I will be checking on our salt heaps etc. soon. Please keep me informed and don't forget the Highways Hotline 0845 609 6609.

Both Cumbria and SLDC are pursuing policies to keep costs down, even if it means some reduction in

services. On the county the Executive is trying to keep any council tax to below 2% and the members of my group have decided not to take up the budgeted increase in our expenses. More controversially, has been a suggestion that the number of county seats should be reduced from 82 to about 60. I am wary about this as the size of Cumbria and the scattered nature of our wards means that members already find it difficult to get round their 'patches'. Also the increased work load might put younger members off. Already many of us put in a full working week and I don't think the prospect of £6,500 is going to tempt many people to give up more lucrative employment.

On the district council, measures have just been approved to cut the establishment in order to achieve cuts of nearly £1.8m (in a budget of £14m) which will cover a current deficit of over £1m. But in the first year the redundancy costs amount, I understand, to £1m - so it's hard going. The idea of sharing services with other authorities has again been mooted. Already we share some IT services and pest control with Lancaster, and approaches are being considered to share possibly waste collection with Eden. But a hint that this might lead to uniting the two councils has led to renewed fears that a unitary authority might be eventually created. Over my 26 years as your councillor, unitary status of having one authority rather than the county and six districts has been put forward and rejected three times. But what do you think?

By and large Cumbria has not fared too badly in the recession, with only a slight increase in unemployment compared to the rest of the north of England. But we still need more highly paid jobs in the region and, paradoxically, more 'affordable homes' for lower earners. There has been some improvement as in 2008/9 46 houses to let from a social landlord and 12 privately rented homes have been created, with in addition two 'shared equity properties' where the occupants pay a mortgage on part and a rent for the rest to a registered social landlord.

Let's hope there will be better times ahead. So, wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.





Teddy Times News

Thank you for supporting the "Teddies for Tragedies" project, we have sent countless to various parts of the world this year and many children will enjoy the comfort of having their own teddy and maybe the only gift they will get this Christmas. Some have gone through the Shoe Box Appeal. Sadly there will always be a need for them so please feel free to continue making them.

A reminder of our slogan is "They are made with love to bring love to be loved". May you know the peace and joy of the Lord this Christmas and into 2010.

Esther Nodder

School Carol Concert

Burton Morewood School would like to invite all members of the community to our Carol Concert in St James Church at 2.00pm on Wednesday 16 December. There will be a service at 6.30pm in the church for parents.

BURTON CHILDREN'S SPORTS COMMITTEE

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTIES

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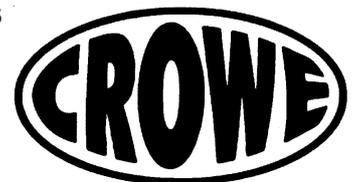
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First Responders News

A grateful thank you to the organisers of the Fun Run for their kind donation of £100. Also to the family of the late Mrs Mary Taylor, with donations in her memory of £300. These donations, as in fact are any, are always gratefully received and are used entirely towards the cost of pager rental.

However, it is now ten years since our team became active, and in accordance with NHS guidelines, our defibrillator has had to be replaced. For those of you who remember, I applied to the British Heart Foundation for the original machine and, being the first group in Cumbria to do this, we did get 100% funding from them, at a cost of almost £3,000.

However, things have now changed and as we can no longer get this funding, we have had to purchase our own. Thankfully these machines are now available at a lower cost, and we have now ordered a new machine priced at £1,112.

Fortunately, through kind donations from our village groups, clubs, etc, and a lot of individual donations, we did have enough money to pay for it.

As I no longer "respond", I am not up to date with knowing what happens to the old machines, but will let you know when I get any information.

Thank you once again to all who have helped in the last 10 years. Mrs Rosamund Looker and I still look after the funds, therefore any donations can still be forwarded to either of us.

A Merry Christmas to you all, thank you again.
Susan Hargreaves

Recently there has been a number of break-ins to properties in Burton, and as the temptation of easy picking is especially high at this time of the year, please take care to lock your doors and windows and remove keys from locks, even if you are at home.

Please be aware as you come and go from your home, and immediately report any suspicious people or activity that you see and make sure your home, outbuildings, cars and vans are locked.

If you think that your property has been targeted, do not touch anything, call your police straight away. The police telephone number is 0845 3300247. In an emergency dial 999.

If you have any information about theft or break-ins in your area please contact us on 0845 3300247. Ask to speak to intelligence officer DC Matthew Belshaw on extension 8624. If you wish to remain anonymous you can contact the Crimestoppers confidential telephone number 0800 555111.

Cumbria Police do not wish to cause you any unnecessary concern and you should not be fearful about living in your neighbourhood. You live in a safe area. We feel it is important to let you know that your local police are treating these recent crimes seriously. We need your help to continue in the fight against the problem.

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Christmas Fair & Nativity
Burton Memorial Hall
Saturday 12 December
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Fabulous Christmas Raffle this year - prizes amongst others include:

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 2. Family photo shoot by Jeanette Marshall with complimentary 10 x 12 portrait.
 3. £100 River Island vouchers.
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£20 Waters Edge Restaurant vouchers.
Blackpool Sandcastle Waterpark x2 free admission.
Morecambe Superbowl x6 play for 1 hour.
Apollo Cinema Morecambe x2 Free tickets.
Children's birthday sponge cake.
Family ticket at Eden Ostrich World.
Greenlands Farm Tewitfield family ticket.
"The Zone" x2 children's play and coffee.
Complimentary bottle wine at Pizza Margherita.
Kath Stephens card collection.
Pots of Love, Kendal - £10 voucher.
The Treatment Rooms Grange over Sands gift bag and more to come!!!

Raffle tickets available £1 each via Pre-School or Annwen Sisson **BN EDITOR WILL PROVIDE CONTACT DETAILS**

Pre-School Nativity will be on from 11.30 till 12.00. Excellent stalls this year including Santa's Grotto, Christmas gifts & decorations, cake stall, tombolas, jewellery, cards, competitions and game stalls for the children, chocolate raffle & refreshments & much more! Don't miss out, get into the festive spirit and come along from 10am to enjoy our family fair and Nativity.



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DEATH OF EX-COUNCILLOR MOURNED

The chairman of the parish council opened the meeting by offering condolences on behalf of the council to those close to Jackie Nicholson. Jackie's death followed days after that of her husband, Charlie. She had been a parish councillor for a short time some years ago. An Opinion would also like to take this opportunity to offer condolences. It is hardly credible that we shan't see either Jackie or Charlie again around the village.

Other Announcements:

1. Notification has been given that the A6070 will be closed around Dec. 14 or 15 for one week while the road undergoes extensive repairs between Clawthorpe and the first turn-off to Holme. The 555 bus will be re-routed, but will make a special detour to Burton to pick up and drop off passengers. Most PCllrs were grateful that at last the road will be mended, but another five minutes was added to the meeting by one PCllr who inexplicably voiced objections to the temporary closure.

2. The Bus Shelter - A new bus shelter at the south end of the village should be installed by early December. The lengthsman and a hearty PCllr have dug the foundations.

OPEN FORUM

1. Police Report - CPSO Rachel Thomas was present and gave her report: There have been three burglaries, which are being linked (and one similar in Kirkby Lonsdale), viz: in Neddy Hill, Tanpits Lane and Dalton Lane. In all cases householders had locked their doors, but left the key in the keyhole. Items stolen included cash, cash cards and car keys. They were all taken from downstairs. Victims were advised to block their cars in, if possible, if their car keys are missing. A suspect has been arrested in Halifax and is on bail.

2. CPSO Thomas had left the hall unfortunately when a resident addressed the PC to support a letter in last month's BURTON NEWS which deplored the standard of parking at the school when parents (usually mothers,

apparently) drop off and collect their children, with, it is claimed, little regard for the safety of their own or other children. Those who had tried to remonstrate with them had met with a torrent of abuse. PCllrs agreed wholeheartedly with the speaker that the situation was unsatisfactory. It was agreed that a letter should be drafted on behalf of the PC with a request to the school that this should be sent in school bags to parents.

3. A letter from a resident was read out by the chairman strongly protesting about the proposal that a 40mph speed limit should be put in place between Church Stile and Clawthorpe on the A6070.

4. Moira Rowley of the Burton Playground Cttee showed PCllrs pictures of play equipment that had been ordered. One was named Supanova, for ages 6-15, the other was a Spinner for 4-15 year-olds. Moira told the PC that this probably completed the playground apparatus. She told us that the Playground Cttee had now done its job and requested that the PC would take over responsibility for upkeep of equipment. The PC readily agreed to do this, and expressed admiration for the work done, with a vote of thanks to the Burton Playground Cttee. At the beginning it was hard to believe that a group with little experience of fund-raising and committee work could complete such a mammoth task. With this under their belt, who knows what else they could accomplish?

5. A letter has been received from a resident complaining about fliers on telegraph poles etc. The PC, we were told, had no powers to remove them, but suggested they should be removed once the event had taken place. It was pointed out that these notices are usually for fund-raising or local matters, and rarely for personal profit.

OTHER MATTERS

1. The NW Air Ambulance - A request for a donation has been received, but a donation of £50 was sent last April, the clerk reported, so that's it, till next year. A similar request from the Citizens' Advice Bureau was dismissed.

2. The Magic Q - The parish clerk wishes to study for the qualification necessary if Burton PC is to maintain

its Q status. The PC has been requested to provide funding for this. The cost should be £225, though it may be offset by a bursary of £100 from CALC. There was the usual grumbling about this, "What good has the Q ever done us?" queried some PCllrs (as A.O. has often asked too.) Well, pointed out the chairman, there ARE powers, but so far they haven't been called upon by our PC. All agreed it was a good idea that the BIG Q should appear on the Parish Newsletter and other correspondence. "It shows we're not tinpot part-timers," as our chairman put it, rather aptly.

3 The Clawthorpe National Nature Reserve Management Plan Consultation - A.O. mentions this cumbersome thing because, by coincidence, OUTDOORS has written about Grey Rocks this month, as she happens to know. "What do you think about cotoneasters growing on the area?" she asked OUTDOORS. "They're part of the scene," was the gist of his reply, and an inevitable garden escape. So, of course, is the dreaded Japanese Knotweed. But it seems OUTDOORS takes an empirical approach, and felt rather tolerant about cotoneaster. So, in a sort of way, he more or less agrees with the irritable PCllr who has been requested to remove said cotoneaster from Grey Rocks because the berries have apparently been carried there from his nearby estate, possibly, as a flippant PCllr suggested, by his peacocks. (The clerk

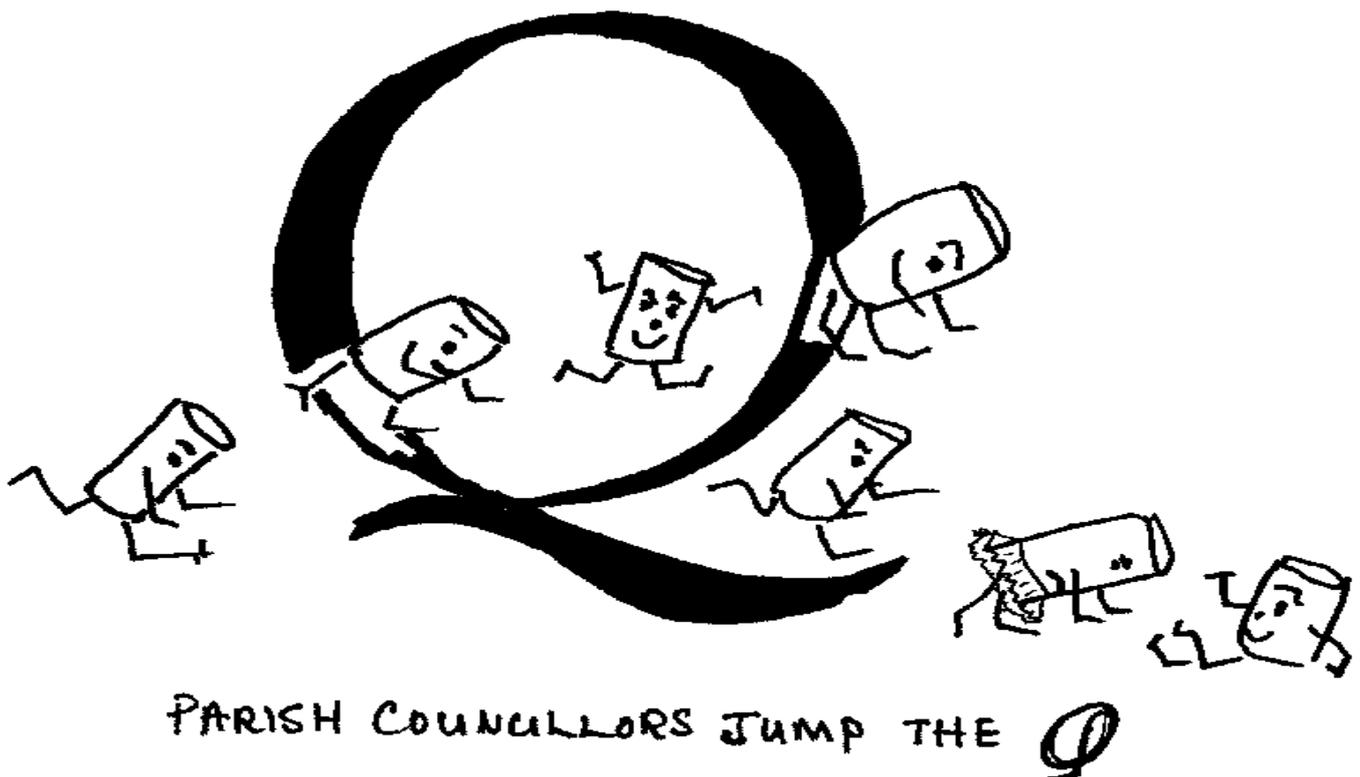
was instructed to reply to Natural England's request for comment that the PC had "No comment" to make.)

The Parish Plan

With creditworthy efficiency on the part of the new clerk, A.O. has been given a summary this month about progress – or none – made by those creeping towards the final aims of this plan:

- (a) Dropped kerbs are now in place.
- (b) Repairs are "in hand" on Slape Lane.
- (c) You all know about the new bus shelter because it appears earlier in this report.
- (d) Everything else is "pending" in one way or another.
- (e) Perhaps the clerk thought he could put an end to the wayward Roper and Miss, but I have to report that there is news. Poor Roper has been taken hostage in Abkhazia, where, as reported last month, he went on an impulsive caving expedition with a few lads he met in Kiev. His parents have been informed. His father is a harbourmaster somewhere in Malaysia, and his mother is a rather well-known hostess living in an Adams mansion in Westmorland at the expense of the National Trust. When Roper's parents separated, his grandmother offered to pay his school fees, though this proved unnecessary. Nothing has been heard of "Miss", but staff are getting fed-up with losing their free time to take her classes.

A.S.



Going Green - Dec '09

Greenhouse gas

Our new boiler is installed. We hope in the long term it will provide substantial savings on energy usage and bills. But in the short term we are instantly rewarded by hot water that is actually hot. In fact it's so hot it's scalding. I am in bath-time heaven.

But the heating side of it turns out to be a damp squib. As Carbonlite selected the wall panel that controls the system, we have a tiny digital box mounted on the wall in the hall instead of our usual Starship Enterprise boiler console. At first glance it looks easy to use. But of course it's a nightmare. No knobs to push, no buttons to flick. Just a series of numbers.

He explains the first figure is the outdoor temperature, which, he points out, is currently 17 degrees. I tell him I don't care what the temperature is outside. So he moves on to the all important figure of indoor temperature. "It's 18 degrees in here, which is just about right for the evening," he says. "But that's only one degree hotter than outside," I complain. "Turn it up!" He refuses, reminding me it's not cold outside, or indeed inside. I tell him I'll do it myself. But how, when the whole panel resembles a great big buttonless digital watch? He shows me what to do to reset water and heating, but computerised gadgets aren't my strong point and it's all a bit of a blur. He goes out to work and I settle down with a hot water bottle and the manual. Two hours later and I'm no further on. I throw the book on the floor and go to bed.

It's my birthday. Carbonlite is away and my mother comes to celebrate it with me. She turns up with six bottles of Radox. I line the bottles up in the bathroom so I can scald myself with a different flavour of boiling water every night. It's lunchtime but unusually the house feels hot. I check the temperature gauge on the digital box. It reads 23 degrees. Inside! The heating shouldn't be on in the daytime so I look closer and find the panel displays the word, 'fault.' I shrug. Too bad if it breaks when Carbonlite is away. I have no idea how to turn the heating down or off. What a great birthday present.

As the day goes on the house feels hotter and hotter. My mother is sweating and asks to open a window. But Carbonlite hasn't quite finished the restoration job on the sashes, and has warned if anyone touches the woodwork, the glass will fall out. "It's like a greenhouse," my mother says as we sweat our way through dinner. I fumble around with the manual for a while and stare hopelessly at the digital figures, before giving up.

At breakfast time my mother comes down, her eyes heavy. "I didn't sleep at all last night in this sauna. How much is all this heating going to cost?" I know exactly how much the electricity is costing, because Carbonlite has reinstalled the carbon calculator next to the kettle. But as for the greenhouse gas? No idea. Probably all the money we've saved this year by installing the new boiler. So much for low energy bills.

I stand at the box in the hall. It still reads 23 degrees while outside remains constant at 17. I never thought I'd long to press the 'off' switch on the central heating, but I do.

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Mrs Mabel Prickett wishes all friends and former neighbours and carers a happy, peaceful Christmas and a good New Year.

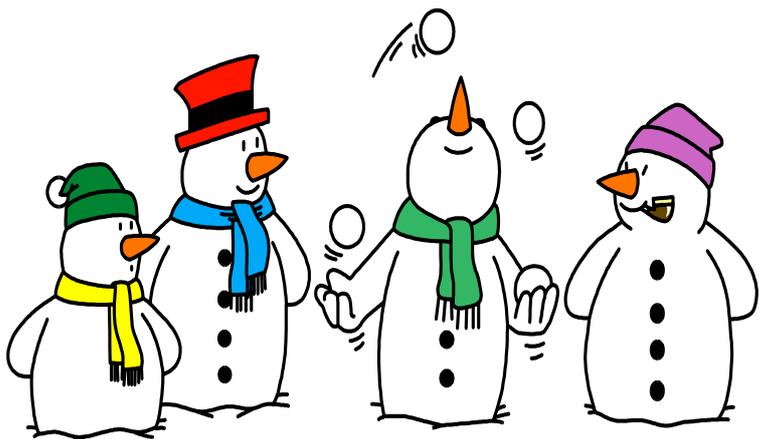
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To Anne & Barry – Thank you for all your hard work in compiling Burton News every month. We hope that you have a restful and well-deserved Christmas break.
Gill & Akis

KALA CHRISTOUYENNA

The Burton News Editorial Committee wishes all our readers, distributors, advertisers, subscribers and other supporters a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy, Peaceful and Prosperous New Year. Also a huge thank you to Gill & Akis at the Village Store for being our collection point for copy and donations, and for all the other help you give to us at Burton News throughout the year.

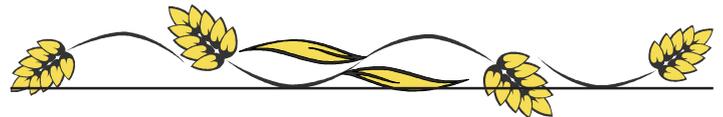
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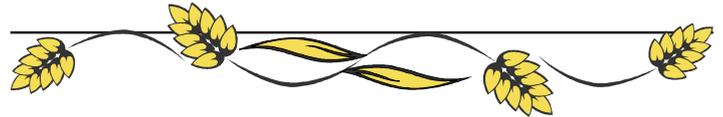
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Historical Footnote by Roger Bingham

In the Bleak Mid winter of 1894-5

The 'Great Frost' of December 1894 to March 1895 was one of severest weather episodes in local history. There were six weeks of 'unrelenting frost' when, even in daytime, the temperature rarely got above freezing point. On several nights, in February, there were 17 degrees of frost. Yet the 'Arctic Weather' could be enjoyable. Many Burton folk went on special excursion trains to a winter carnival held on Windermere where the ice was 18 inches thick. Others trekked over to Kirkby Lonsdale to enjoy 'steeple chasing', curling and hockey matches on the frozen River Lune. Nearer home skaters could race on the canal all the way from Burton to Kendal.

Though younger people, particularly, loved the bright, cold weather 'great mortality amongst the old was feared'. As there were no official 'social services', vulnerable people had to rely on charity. At Christmas 'through the liberality of Major Hornby a seasonal benefaction' of 8cwts of coal was distributed amongst poor people in Burton and Dalton.' Again, in January it was reported that 'through the generosity of Major Hornby of Dalton Hall the Vicar, the Rev Chastel de Boinville, has been enabled to give a second distribution of coal to widows and sick people of the village. Each received five cwts.'

'Festive Season' events continued despite the weather. Hence in the New Year 'the members of Miss C. Chastel de Boinville's juvenile choir, assisted by several senior soloists, performed the operetta entitled "Golden Hair and the Three Bears". The part of the Queen was ably sustained by Miss Jane Robinson, whilst the singing of Miss Mary Wilkinson in her part of Golden Hair performed capitally. The Bears created great amusement being represented by Messrs. C. Chalmers, J. Nutter and J. Robinson. The scenery was appropriate whilst the dresses showed great taste. The singing by the children showed that the utmost care had been taken by the skilful conductor. They attacked

their choruses with spirit and precision and seemed to be thoroughly imbued with the spirit of the piece. Such performance is seldom seen in a country village. The proceeds will be devoted to the expenses of sending the choir to the Wakefield Competition.'

Meanwhile, 'the members of the Dalton, Burton and Holme Conservative Primrose League Habitation held their annual ball in the Assembly Room of the Globe Hotel. The committee made every possible arrangement for the comfort and convenience of the visitors. Messrs Cock's quadrille band was engaged. The ballroom was tastefully decorated. Over 50 couples were present. During the early part of the ball a "three reel" was danced by special request, the performers being Misses M. A. Wilkinson, K. Cline and Mr. F. Hoggarth. Many visitors also availed themselves of the opportunity of withdrawing to the smaller rooms for the enjoyment of a quiet rubber.' (of bridge?)

More serious winter pursuits included Dr Penrose's Ambulance Classes. On New Year's Eve the class members presented the doctor with 'a beautiful morocco writing case in appreciation of his kindness throughout the lectures'. 'Technical Instruction' was less popular. 'On Thursday evening Miss Musgrove gave her first demonstration lecture on scientific dressmaking. The lecture was free but the attendance was poor, and unless more ladies give in their names the class will not be continued.' Perhaps the cold had kept Burton's ladies at home.



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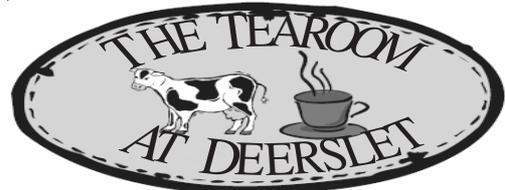
An old woman's thoughts on fireworks and the New Year

As a child I lived in the docks area of East Ham, in the east end of London. I was five years old when the Second World War started and my life changed dramatically. My nights were now spent trying to sleep in the Anderson Shelter dug half into the ground in our garden. I listened to the bombs exploding all around and prayed for our safety. Needless to say, I have never liked fireworks nor Anderson Shelters.

The end of the war brought bliss in being able to sleep all night in my own bed. However, I was completely unprepared for that first New Year's Eve and the magic that occurred. It started with my mother giving us pans and big spoons, going out into the street and waiting quietly, the whole street gathered. Then out of the stillness came the hooters from all the ships in the Thames. This was our signal and we joined in with banging our pans and calling out greetings to everybody. It was a perfect way of welcoming in the New Year within the community of our neighbours and the ships linking us into the wider world.

I have experienced many different ways of welcoming in the New Year, but for me that was the best. I miss that sense of community as everyone now seems to celebrate within the smaller family unit. In this recession I wish that fireworks could be turned into pans and spoons. It would be cheaper and far more satisfying and link us all together in our community.

I am glad I have that memory. Happy New Year!
Alison Murphy



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Friday 25 December CHRISTMAS DAY	CLOSED	CLOSED
Saturday 26 December BOXING DAY	CLOSED	CLOSED
Sunday 27 December	7.00am - 12.00 noon	CLOSED
Monday 28 December	6.00am - 2.00pm	CLOSED
Tuesday 29 December	6.00am - 6.00pm	9.00am - 5.30pm
Wednesday 30 December	6.00am - 6.00pm	9.00am - 5.30pm
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This half term in Key Stage 2, Years 5 and 6 are continuing their work on a project called 'The Victorians', and thoroughly enjoyed their visit to the Bobbin Mill and High Dam. Years 3 and 4 are looking at 'Ancient Greece'. They viewed all the artifacts at Manchester Museum and later in the term had a super morning at the Ruskin Library, they made books and took part in an observational drawing session. The younger children are doing a project on 'Food'.

Children from Year 2 upwards enjoyed their visit to the County Show. All of Years 5 and 6 took part in a cross country event and we are delighted that 8 of our children got through to the next stage in Coniston. Year 6 had a fire safety talk. Animal Welfare talked to all classes about caring for animals, as well as the role of pets in Victorian and Egyptian times.

Harvest Assembly was delightful and all the gifts were delivered the next day. We have received some lovely thank you letters - do come into the entrance hall and read some of them. World Book Day saw some ingenious costumes in school. Our next non-uniform day is the 11 December, no theme this time, just no uniform. We do, however, have a 'Posh Frocks and Smart Day' on the 17 December. (A chance to give those wedding outfits an airing!). It is also the Talent Show and Key Stage 1 Party that day too. All our clubs are up and running: Netball, Family Sports and Drama on a Thursday, Mandarin and Dance on a Monday and Sports Club on a Wednesday. Do have a look at our web site for many photographs of past events: www.burtonmorewood.cumbria.sch.uk.

All your children have designed a Christmas Card, packs of which will be available for you buy shortly. So don't buy any others just yet!

We have a few children absent from school at the moment with flu-type symptoms. If your child does have signs of flu contact your GP or the Flu Helpline for further advice. The recommendation is they are kept off school until they are fully recovered, usually around 7 days.

Please, when bringing and collecting your child, could you avoid walking across the car park. Please use the pavements and access the playgrounds from the two small gates. As the darker nights are upon us please could you take extra care parking and driving around school. It is very busy at the beginning and end of the day so do take notice of the no parking areas by the junction and school gates.

We are still short of staff to supervise the children at lunchtimes, both in the dining hall and outside on the playground. If you are able to help, even on an occasional basis please contact Helen in the office. We pay £7.95 a session and lunch is included.

We had one nomination for the Parent Governor vacancy: Antoinette Sansby. Antoinette has been on the Governors for a number of years and we are pleased that we will continue to benefit from her expertise.

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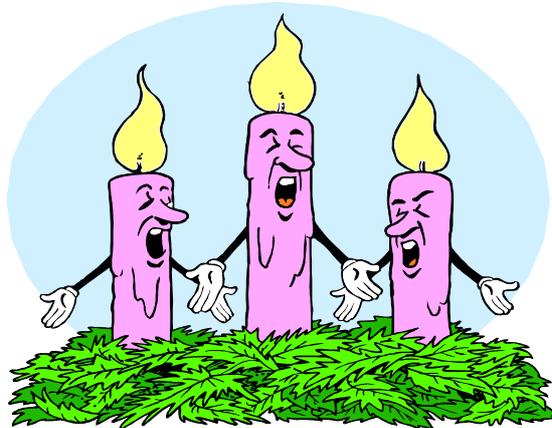
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This summer we had two club outings: one to Rydal Mount which was blessed with ideal weather. The second trip was to Heron Corn Mill at Beetham which is a fascinating place and well worth a visit. The tour was conducted by Stuart Hobbs who is very knowledgeable on the history and working of the mill.

Our new season, which started on the 4 September with a talk by the president of the Lancashire and Cheshire Photographic Union, Mr Norman Thompson, includes audio-visual presentations, Photographic Union Collection viewings, as well as competitions and members' evenings. See our box advert in the What's On section for more details of what and when. Our meetings start at 7.45pm at Holme Parish Hall. We always welcome visitors and new members.

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Appeal for Groups/Clubs/Societies

Some months ago we appealed for groups and societies to send us their details so we could put together a directory of what happens in Burton, along with the where, when and who to contact information. So far we've had just THREE responses which is very disappointing, given the number of groups in the village.

So, this is yet another appeal for the directory information - please do send us the following about your group for inclusion in the directory. It's totally free, it will not cost your group a single solitary penny, but it may bring you new members - something many groups say they would welcome.

What we need is the following:

Group/Club/Society Name

When you meet (days/times)

Where you meet

Contact Details (who is willing to be listed as your public contact)

Summary of what you do (write us a paragraph or two about your group so readers know what you're all about!)

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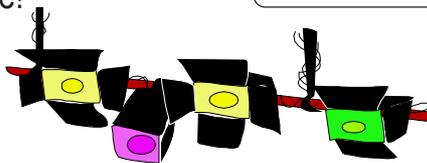
For those of you who came to watch 'Who killed the Ship's Captain?', I trust you had a good night and were thoroughly entertained. Inspector Peach was on top form wasn't he? Congratulations to the winning team who matched his sleuthing skills superbly! Thanks to all who supported the production. A good audience (and you were) makes such a difference to actors and crew who have worked so hard over several months – and it really gets their nerves jangling! My thanks to the actors and backstage crew for their commitment and for being such good fun. The production would not be possible without them. I had fantastic support in my rookie 'directorship'! I must also thank Jan for her delicious hotpot (and patience!) and the front of house staff for their hard work.

And so we look forward our first production of 2010. We shall be performing a one act play and a variety performance, similar to the one last year. This produced a wealth of talent from the village and led to our numbers swelling, as those of you who attended our murder mystery will have seen.

So don't be shy! Come along and meet the gang on Thursday 7 January at 7.30pm for our first get together.

The performances will be on the 27 and 28 March. No, sorry, the tickets aren't on sale yet. We will let you know how to get them nearer the time!

Fliss Holloway, Chair



Poetry Corner

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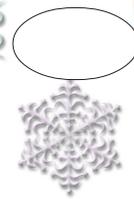
Next Wilbur pushed it up the nearest hill
Then stood back & admired it,
But the snowball rolled back down again
As though someone had fired it.

Well Wilbur ran as fast as he could
But the snowball rolled much faster,
Until it completely swallowed him -
It was total disaster!

As Wilbur passed St Peter's Gate
On the way to Heaven,
St Peter said, "Just a moment mate,
You're number ninety seven."

"Your name is Wilbur isn't it?"
Said Wilbur, "How did you know?"
"It's the icicles on your wings lad,
And the snow upon your halo!"

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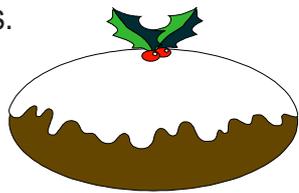
Saturday 12 December - Christmas party night with Disco. All children welcome.

Thursday 24 December - Food served all day until 8.30pm. Disco, all children welcome.

Friday 25 December - Open from 11am until 2pm, drinks only. Also open 7pm until 11pm. For your evening invitation speak to Ann.

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Book of photographs: Burton in Kendal, Clawthorpe and Dalton, Photographic Memories, by Kath Hayhurst was £8.00, now £4.00

Book: More South Westmorland News 1832-1835 was £4.00, now £1.00

Leaflet/map: An Historical Walk Through Burton in Kendal, 50p

Cumbria Family History Society Publications

Book: Memorial Inscriptions - St James Church, Burton in Kendal (including all the gravestones) was £2.90, now £2.00

Book: Transcription and Index for the 1851 Census for Burton in Kendal, Holme, Preston Patrick, Preston Richard and Dalton £6.00

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This month sees a Calendar Blue Moon here in the UK - this happens when there are two full moons in the same calendar month. In December the full moons will occur on Dec 2 and Dec 31, so 19:13 GMT on New Year's Eve will see the Blue Moon. At the same time will be a partial lunar eclipse visible from the UK, so whoever said that eclipses happen once in a Blue Moon were right on this occasion!

CLOSEUP



The Old School House makes another appearance, this time it's the chimney stack that gets the 'focus' of the Closeup shot.

Here's an interesting group of electrical items, but can you shed any light on where in the village you'll see this ?



Answer and a new one in a future BN (space permitting)

Drop us a line if you find this, first one gets a mention (and maybe their picture?) in BN.



Christmas at the Butchers

This year why not check out the fantastic range of foods on sale at the Burton Butchers Shop? Bryn is offering traditional turkeys and chickens, but if you fancy something a little different, he also supplies geese, ducks and pheasants.

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The Vicar Writes...

Peace on Earth?

About 700 years before the very first Christmas, God spoke through the prophet Isaiah and announced the birth of a child who would be called "the Prince of Peace". He would rule the nations and "of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end." But where is it? Can we see that peace?

A history of 20th century reveals that 100 million people died violently in those 100 years. That's 2,400 violent deaths a day! Today, the rising death toll among British troops in Afghanistan reminds us that war and strife are never far away. Closer to home, one Mori poll suggests that there are 3 million family rows each Christmas.

At the time of the first Christmas, angels appeared to some shepherds and promised peace: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men on whom his favour rests." Christmas cards still pick up on this message: "Peace on earth and good will to all men" they declare. But where is it?

During World War I, some men tried to take the idea seriously. On 25 December 1914, as the British and German troops fought each other from their trenches, someone started singing the carol "Silent Night, Holy Night." Amazingly, the fighting stopped, a hush fell over the battlefield and soldiers who'd spent weeks trying to kill each other now embraced, exchanged gifts, sang together and even played a game of football. And then on 26 December they returned to their trenches to kill one another!

Is that the sort of peace the prophet Isaiah and the angels had in mind? No. But there's no doubt about it. Peace is what they announced. That's what the Bible promised. This child was the Prince of Peace and his coming would mean peace on earth. Were they wrong? Is this just another empty promise? No.

Jesus did deliver exactly what was promised. The following Bible verse sums it up: "Therefore, since we

have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (Romans 5:1) Put simply, if we trust in Jesus, then we do have peace – peace with God. That's the peace that people everywhere are searching for - real peace. That's why we sing:

"Hark, the herald-angels sing
Glory to the new-born King!
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."

May you know the peace of the Prince of Peace this Christmas. Happy Christmas everyone.

Paul



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St James' Church Online

Want to know what the BB lads get up to...???

See the Burton Boys' Brigade Website

http://www.geocities.com/first_burton/

ST JAMES & HOLY TRINITY CHURCH TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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	Janis Wood	781241
	Trevor Wood	781241
Treasurer:	Rebecca Jackson	782590
Secretary:	George Flanders	781729
Organist:	Kath Mills	732194
Choir Leader:	Kath Mills	732194
Reader:	David Mills	732194

December & January Services **St James' Burton & Holy Trinity Holme**

Sunday 6 December

10.00am Holy Communion Burton
04.00pm Christingle Family Service Holme
No Evening Church at Burton

Sunday 13 December

08.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Burton
10.00am Family Service – Nativity Burton
11.00am Holy Communion Holme
06.00pm Evening Church Burton

Wednesday 16 December

11.00am Holy Communion Holme

Sunday 20 December

10.00am Holy Communion Burton
11.00am Carol Service Holme
06.30pm Carol Service Burton

Thursday December 24 Christmas Eve

11.15pm Holy Communion Burton

Friday December 25 Christmas Day

10.00am Joint Family Celebration Holme
(followed by Communion)

Sunday 27 December

10.00am Joint Family Service Burton
No Evening Church at Burton

From the registers...

Thanksgiving for the gift of a child

Sebastian Erik Marsland Mills
Sunday 8 November

Funeral services and burials

Charles Henry Nicholson (73)
Tuesday 10 November

Jacqueline Nicholson (55)
Friday 20 November



Sunday 3 January

10.00am Holy Communion Burton
11.00am Holy Communion Holme
06.00pm Evening Church Burton

Sunday 10 January

08.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Holme
10.00am Holy Communion Burton
11.00am Holy Communion Holme
06.00pm Evening Church Burton

Sunday 17 January

10.00am Holy Communion Burton
11.00am Holy Communion Holme
06.00pm Evening Church Burton

Sunday 24 January

10.00am Morning Prayer (BCP) Burton
10.00am HuB All-age joint service Holme
06.00pm Evening Church Burton

Sunday 31 January

10.00am Joint Family Service Holme
06.00pm Evening Church Burton

Prayer Requests

If you would like to request prayer for yourself or for anyone else, please contact Paul on 781391.

Little Fishes

Little Fishes is an activity session for pre-school children (age 0-4). Sessions will typically have a bible-based story followed by a craft activity.

It's free! Snacks for the tiddlers & tea and coffee for the parents/carers.

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, term-time only, times: 2.00 - 3.00pm St. James' Church, Burton.

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Congratulations to Ryan Williamson, Frederick Anson and James Burton, the 1st Burton-in-Kendal B Team, who met a table tennis team from the 1st Morecambe at Burton in the first round of the National Boys' Brigade 2009 Table Tennis Competition. They won 9-0 and are now through to the second round, and have been drawn - playing away - to either the 7th Southport or 12th Liverpool, who have yet to play their first round game.

Thank you to Graeme Wheelhouse, the 1st Burton table tennis instructor and officer, who was also the referee.

The 1st Burton table tennis A Team have been given a bye to the second round, and will be playing away to either the 17th Teeside or 2nd Consett, the matches to be played by the 9 January 2010.

Treasure Island



A swashbuckling pantomime for all the family!

**Saturday 16 January 2010
7.00pm in the Memorial Hall**

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DECEMBER MEETINGS

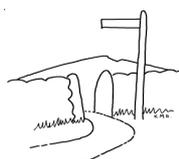
- Fri 4 L&CPU Colour Prints
- Wed 9 Battle + Kendal @ Kendal
- Fri 11 Eastern Khundu Nepal, Boyd Harris. Raffle
- Fri 18 Christmas Social

JANUARY MEETINGS

- Fri 8 The Arctic, John Bamber. Raffle
- Fri 22 L&CPU Slides Year 1.
Entries for Architecture Competition
- Fri 29 Discovering a landscape of industry,
Andrew Lowe. Raffle

All meetings at Holme Parish Hall, at 7.45pm
unless otherwise stated

Visitors welcome at all meetings
More info from Frank Walton**



BURTON FELLWALKING SOCIETY

December Walks

Sunday walk - members only
No Saturday or Wednesday walks

January Walks

Sunday 3 Jan - 12 noon
Potter Tarn - 5 miles
Leader: Mike Earl**

Saturday 16 Jan - 9.30am
Lingmoor - 8 miles
Leader: Reg Hesketh**

Wednesday 27 Jan - 1.00pm
Hincaster
Leader: Clive Horsford**

Friday 29 Jan
Annual Dinner @ Crooklands Hotel
Details available from Secretary

All walks: Meet in the Memorial Hall car park to
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(* less than 5 miles at a gentle pace *)

Visitors £1.00 Membership £6 from Jan 1st yearly



Burton W.I. meeting at Burton Memorial Hall

Christmas Party - Jacobs Join

Thursday 10 December at 7.30pm

No Competition ~ Hostesses: The Committee

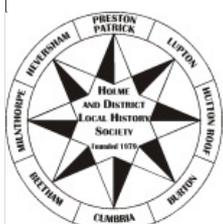
Cycling with a family in Europe

Speaker: Kirsty Pelling

Thursday 14 January at 7.30pm

Contact: Helen Nixon **

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Holme & District Local History Society

Monday 18 January
7.30pm in BMH

Fast Packet Boats on the Lancaster Canal

Speaker: Andrew White

Visitors always welcome



Burton-in-Kendal Art & Craft Society

Saturday 23 January
10am - 4pm
Burton Memorial Hall

Workshop
Exploring Watercolour
Lynda Gray

Booking Essential: £5 per person

Editorial...

A bit on the wet side !

What a way to end a year, and lucky in a way that all this isn't coming down as snow too or it would be over the roof tops! The unprecedented heavy rain has caused enough chaos as it is but, as ever, we in Burton do seem to miss the worst of it (touch wood) and we can only imagine what people in the Workington and Cockermouth areas will have to go through over the coming months/years. The media circus will move away when the next 'big thing' comes along to report, of course, but the flood victims will be still in the middle of all the mess for a long time to come.

Did you fill it in?

The BMH improvement survey that is. By the time you get BN the deadline will have passed for returning them, but if this prompts you, then better late than never, so still send it back to the address on the form or drop it into the Village Store for the attention of the Hall Chairman.

Door locked?

The recent spate of property thefts serves to remind us that even in a low-crime area like Burton the sneak-thief is an ever-present menace. In fact it can be argued that places like Burton are more attractive to the sneak-thief as they know that people will be less on their guard. If you see any one hanging about and acting suspiciously whom you don't recognise, give the local police a call and they'll gladly check things out for you.

Another year of BN...

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20 Jan for the February 2010 issue

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Annual General Meeting
followed by
The National Garden Scheme
Speaker: Linda Greening

Tuesday 26 January at 7.30pm
Borwick and Priest Hutton Memorial Hall



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Ladies Badminton meets in the BMH every Tuesday from 1.30pm - 2.30pm. If anyone would like to join the group please ask for more details from Stephanie Micklethwaite*.

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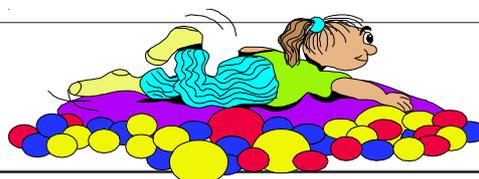
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BURTON-IN-KENDAL **PARISH COUNCIL**

The **Parish Council** meets every month on the third Thursday in the month at 7.30 pm in the Burton Memorial Hall. Members of the public are always welcome to observe the proceedings. At each meeting there will be an opportunity for members of the public to voice their concerns, under agenda item **OPEN FORUM**. The Parish Council hopes that parishioners will take advantage of this.

Planning applications: Parishioners are asked to ensure they notify the PC as well as the planning authority of any comments or objections they have about any planning application within the parish.

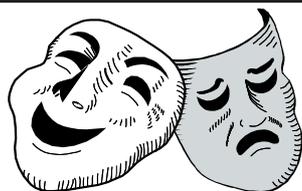
The Agenda of the next meeting and Minutes of the last meeting are always available on the Parish Council notice board outside the Burton Memorial Hall or on the Parish Council website. On the website parishioners may find **contact details** for the Clerk & Councillors, and access the **archive** of PC agendas, minutes, reports & newsletters.

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ADVANCE DIARY DATES



Art Exhibition - PERCY KELLY - Lithographs & Etchings, ends Sat 12 Dec, Heron Theatre, Beetham
Burton Memorial Hall Xmas Bingo, Thursday 3 December, BMH
Memorial Hall Car Park Clean Up Day, Saturday 5 December, 10am onwards, BMH
Children's Christmas Parties, Sunday 6 December, BMH (see page 7 for ages & times)
Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum, Tuesday 8 December, 7.30pm, Heron Theatre, Beetham
Burton Lunch Club, Wednesday 9 December, 12.30pm, Kings Arms
Carols by Candlelight, Thursday 10 December, 7pm, Kings Arms
Burton W.I. Meeting, Thursday 10 December, 7.30pm, BMH
Christmas Fair, Friday 11 December, 3.15pm, Morewood School
Burton Thistle Football Club Xmas Bingo, Friday 11 December, BMH
Burton Pre-School Christmas Fair, Saturday 12 December, 10am -12noon, BMH (see page 9)
Christmas Disco, Saturday 12 December, evening, Kings Arms (children welcome)
Christmas Concert, Sunday 13 December, 7.30pm, St Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale (see page 19)
Morewood School Carol Concert, Wednesday 16 December, 2pm, St James' Church (see page 7)
Morewood School Carol Service (for parents), Wednesday 16 December, 6.30pm, St James' Church
Morewood School - end of term, Friday 18 December, 2pm
Burton Tennis Club Xmas Bingo, Friday 18 December, BMH
Christmas Eve Food (until 8.30pm) & Disco (evening), Thursday 24 December, Kings Arms
Christmas Day at the Kings, Friday 25 December, 12-2pm, Kings Arms
New Year's Eve Party Night + Food (until 8.30pm) & Entertainment, Thursday 31 December, Kings Arms
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Morewood School - start of term, Tuesday 5 January
BADS Casting & Script Reading & Get Together, Thursday 7 January, 7.30pm, BMH
Art Exhibition - DONALD IBBOTSON Vibrant Pastels, from Tuesday 12 January, Heron Theatre, Beetham
Burton Lunch Club, Wednesday 13 January, 12.30pm, Kings Arms
Burton W.I. Meeting, Thursday 14 January, 7.30pm, BMH
Plays by HE Bates, starring Graham Padden, Friday 15/Saturday 16 January, Heron Theatre, Beetham
Treasure Island Pantomime, Saturday 16 January, BMH (see page 27)
Local History Society Meeting, Monday 18 January, 7.30pm, BMH
Film: "In Search of a Midnight Kiss" [15], Friday 22 January, Heron Theatre, Beetham
Art & Craft Society Watercolour Workshop, Saturday 23 January, 10am-4pm, BMH (see page 28)
BMH Management Committee Meeting, Thursday 28 January, 7.30pm, BMH

BURTON NEWS WHAT'S ON LISTINGS ARE FREE!

Fancy a change? Why not try something new - all village groups welcome new members - there must be something you fancy having a go at!

There are activities galore in Burton so check out our What's On listings for this month's events and activities.

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