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BURTON NEWS

THE VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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Art and Craft Exhibition

An Exhibition of Paintings and
Crafts by Local Artists

Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th June
Burton Memorial Hall
10am to 4pm both days

Including a display of felt work
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- Paintings by local artists
- Refreshments

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further details
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Dear B.N.

**Surly Abusive Irresponsible
(No, not the kids the Parents)**

A few years ago as a School Governor and Parish Councillor I was asked to look at the parking around Burton School, to try and make it as safe as possible. It was decided to put 'keep clear' white lines on the curves at the bottom of Morewood Drive to provide a clear drop off point and a turning circle, so cars would not have to reverse putting children at risk.

I noticed recently the white lines were sometimes being ignored and asked our local 'Bobby', W.P.C. Casson, to monitor the situation. I was shocked to hear when she reported back, that some parents had been surly and abusive. I think this is totally irresponsible; after all, it is their children we are trying to keep safe. We hear a lot these days of children showing no respect to others, surely these parents should be setting them a better example.

George Isherwood,
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Dear Sirs,

Old Coaching Route Help

I came across your website whilst looking for information on the old stage coach route which passed through Burton onwards to Kendal. I have a map which shows it by-passing Sedgwick but another shows it going through Sedgwick then on to Natland. I cannot trace the route from Peasy Beck bridge (Crooklands) to "Sellet Brow" then on to Natland. Would any reader have any clues?

Kind regards,

Richard Fisher

e-mail: richard@fisher199.freeserve.co.uk

[Editor's Note: If any readers who do not have e-mail access can help Richard, please reply to us at BN and we'll pass the messages on to him.]

Burton Memorial Hall 200 Club

February Draw

- £500 - no. 79 - B Pearson
- £ 50 - no. 159 - K Fletcher
- £ 20 - no. 103 - K Broadhurst
- £ 10 - no. 181 - J Nicholson

March Draw

- £ 20 - no. 196 - J Cheeseman
- £ 10 - no. 168 - B Martin

April Draw

- £ 20 - no. 56 - E Young
- £ 10 - no. 110 - S Coates

There are now a few numbers available. Please phone Steph Micklethwaite on 781073.

Please would readers note that letters for these pages must include a valid name & address. This can be with-held from publication on request. We will not publish any anonymous letters, or material which, in the opinion of the Editorial Committee, is of an offensive or defamatory nature. BN reserves the right to edit letters & articles in the interests of magazine space.

Thanks!

Burton Pre-School



Sarah Hunter and Nicola Atkinson would like to thank everyone who supported the pub quiz on 18th May to raise funds for Burton Pre-School. A total of £236.16 was raised. A huge thank you to Mike and Zoë at the Kings Arms for letting us hold the Quiz and for their generous donation, also thanks to Dave Williamson for reading the questions. Thanks again.

Sarah and Nicola

Thank You

Kathleen Proctor and family would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their letters, cards and flowers, also donations for the MacMillan Unit, Lancaster, following the death of Conrad.

Thank You

Thanks from Dorothy and Cyril Proctor to the *First Responders Team* in April. It was very reassuring when the two ladies arrived to help Cyril whilst we waited for the ambulance to take him to the Westmorland Coronary Care Unit. What a wonderful organisation we have in our community, worth every penny, and we must support them at all times as they do for us in our hour of need. Our grateful thanks.

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Not much of a return for your fiver is it? And usually there are related costs involved (travel, parking etc) Alternatively, you can get a whole year's worth of news, events and articles relating to Burton and Burtonians. What's more, it's delivered to your door come rain or shine!



So if you haven't done anything yet with your donation envelope - why not get real value for a fiver and help keep *Burton News* going? We know how highly *BN* is regarded - all it needs is your support once a year to keep us in business. Thanks!!



NSPCC



Cruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

The House to House Collection carried out in Burton and Clawthorpe in May raised a record amount of £776. The money raised through your kind thoughts and actions will be used to support the NSPCC's work with children and their families in Cumbria. These children will never be able to thank you personally so, on their behalf, please accept the grateful thanks of everyone at the NSPCC.

Eighty-six pence in every pound that the NSPCC receives comes from the generosity and ingenuity of donors, fundraisers and supporters: people like you. The NSPCC simply would not exist without you! Thank you for your support.

Jack and Barbara Winrow



Boys' Brigade News

1st Burton Company

24th ANNUAL DISPLAY & PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

21st MAY 2005

A large gathering of parents, friends and over 40 members of the Company in Anchors, Juniors and Senior Sections aged 6-19 years were presented with their Awards for the past year's work by Mr John Neil OBE, the National Boys' Brigade President, who was accompanied by his wife.

This last year has been a hectic one, with a group of Seniors, five Boys and two Girls going in August to Haytor on Dartmoor for their Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Expedition. In February we returned to the Compass Christian Centre for a great weekend of skiing. Boys have taken part in both National and local BB Competitions including Masterclass, and Table Tennis - reaching the National Table Tennis Finals in London on 21st May. Congratulations to the Team - Simon Gregory, Thomas Hacker, Alistair Jones, and particular thanks to Mr C Jones for the coaching. In the national Five-a-Side Indoor Football, both our Teams did well with the Under 14's reaching the quarter-finals.

We entered three Teams and a Trainer Team for the National Boys Brigade Cleveland Hike for the third time, a total of 14 boys - a very challenging event over

34 miles of rough country involving two nights camping, carrying all food and equipment. The first team did extremely well (coming fourth) as did the trainer team, and all Boys finished, although somewhat tired. Particular thanks to our Instructors Iain Fletcher and Derek Stevenson. We hope to enter in June this year with three challenge teams and a trainer team.

Specialist Classes have equipped the Senior Boys with additional skills and understanding under the Community Section of the Award Scheme. Thanks to Mrs Rogers, Mrs Jones, Mrs Fletcher, Mrs Chaldecott, and Mrs Baxendale for the use of their kitchens in highly successful cookery classes.

Over 200 Awards, including Credits and Badges, were presented. Anchor Boys: Laurence Blaskett, George Pickering, Finley Rooney, and David Morton-Jones received their Promotion Certificates to the Junior Section.

The Junior Gold Award, which is the highest Award available to Juniors, was presented to Thomas Jackson and Peter Hacker, together with their Promotion Certificates to the Company Section.

The John O'Gaunt Shield awarded to the best new member of the Senior Section in his first year for uniform and attendance went to Peter Baxendale, who was promoted from Juniors last year.

The Casson Trophy for the best non-NCO for uniform and attendance went to Simon Gregory.

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In the Senior Section the Squad Medal for uniform and attendance in 2004/5 went to Squad 2, and the Captain's Shield for uniform and attendance over the past twelve months also went to Squad 2 with 19.1 marks. The runners up were Squad 1 19.0, and Squad 3 18.8.

Michael Gregory and Callum Stephenson were promoted to Staff Sgt, and Sean Fletcher, Thomas Hacker, Ross Stevenson were promoted to L/Cpl.

Special Awards

Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Mark Lee, Michael Gregory, Callum Stephenson, Stuart Gregory, Maddy Jones, Sarah Thornton, Rebecca Thornton completed all the requirements for their Gold Award, and now await their presentation in London.

Ross Stevenson, Simon Gregory, Thomas Hacker, Dominic Rogers, Sean Fletcher, Alistair Jones were presented with the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award, and now start their training for the Silver Award.

President's Badge

Shaun Fletcher, Alistair Jones, Ross Stevenson, Thomas Hacker, who will now train for their Queen's Badge over the next 18 months.

Queens' Badge

This is the highest Award that a member can obtain, and was presented to Michael Gregory and Callum Stevenson.

2004/5 has been a year of considerable achievement by all Boys in the Company, and we wish to thank their parents in particular, and also to the hard-working team of Leaders/Instructors who give their time and skills each week. Many others have helped us to make this a very significant year: including St James PCC, the Burton Memorial Hall Committee for use of the Hall, the *Burton News*, the First Aid Trainers, and the Police, in particular PC Bainbridge for Drug Awareness.

We look forward to a further Narrowboat trip for Juniors and their parents in July down the Five-Rise Locks at Bingley, and our Camp/Holiday for Seniors at Haytor in Devon in August.

David J Mills

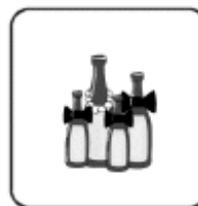
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Burton Bowling 100 Club

Winners 2005

April - Hilda Pearson



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Frank Walton on 01524 782991

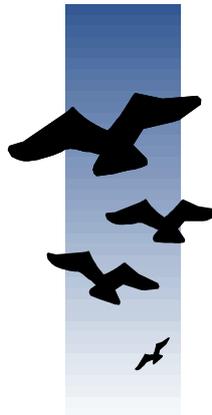
Malcolm Brownsord on 01524 781405



OUTDOORS

On May Day, as we bowled on the green and the sun shone brightly between a few white clouds, two swifts sped above us. A swallow cut across, just beyond Cocking Yard. Then a pair of house martins criss-crossed above Main Street. The wonderful speedy fly-catchers had arrived from Africa, all on the same day. Usually the swallows would have come a fortnight earlier, then a martin or two, then the swifts on May 6. So it has been for the past twenty seven years, and for decades and centuries before that. This year there was this simultaneous air-burst of birds, and how could they have come at a better time than May Day?

If *B.N.* readers think that I go on too much about all these chirruping, fluffy creatures who flit about the edges and corners of our lives, I would ask them: what would it be like if our gardens, fields and skies were silent, and motionless? Wouldn't it be rather blank and dull? The other evening at Milnthorpe Bowling Green (where the team won 8/2, by the way), as the sun came out at last after an afternoon of blustery showers, I was struck by the sheer volume of bird-song. Robins, tits, blackbirds, house sparrows must all have been contributing their whistles, cheeps, and musical phrases to the chorus from gardens nearby. Not a



bird could be seen. Then three swifts dashed overhead, shrilling, and eight mallards circled in formation before flying off west to spend a night on the banks of the Bela.

Most of these birds will have been living in our country long before humans moved in from the continent. Maybe not the swifts, who nest under house eaves - unless they nested on cliffs in ancient times, like the hundreds of martins who still build their little baskets of mud on the huge cliff face at Malham. I used to wonder, where did these animals come from? Which really means, what were birds before they were birds, since all creatures are in a state of evolution? Then

I was delighted by the new theory that birds evolved from dinosaurs. It seemed to fit, especially when it turned out that feathers, a development from scales, probably existed as a covering against cold and damp long before forelimbs turned into wings and their feathers grew longer and were able to create flight and buoyancy. Now news has come that thousands of fossils are being dug up in Utah which are remains of feathered dinosaurs with

teeth of the type that shred leaves, not meat, and with a gut big enough to ferment plants. They were 1.3 metres tall and walked on two legs. They evolved from the meat-eating dinosaurs who ran about in a menacing way in the film Jurassic Park.

Millions of generations had to elapse before the feathered dinosaurs changed, feature by feature, into the birds of our own world - ostriches, emus, albatrosses, buzzards, ospreys, puffins, gulls,

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grouse, starlings, chaffinches.... Look closely at familiar birds and you can see how they have kept characteristics of forebears with names like therizinosaur and velociraptor. When a thrush runs in the garden, instead of hopping like most birds, you think 'animal' not 'bird'. A blackbird stood in our bird-bath the other day and turned its yellow beak fiercely this way and that to intimidate all-comers. A peregrine falcon mantling its wings over its stricken prey is the epitome of triumphant power. Swans are thought of as sheer snow-white grace - they are - they also stretch out their necks and hiss at you like snakes if you are too near their young. The twee robins and loveable blue tits on Christmas and birthday cards give a Walt Disney sugary blandness to these untamed creatures who will fight each other for territory - and who have survived our invasion of their wild world with our tarmac and petrol engines, our cement and power cables, our poisons and guns.

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Lunesdale Decorative & Fine Arts Society

An inspired and merry lecture on *Medieval Illuminated Manuscripts* was given by Mary Bartlett MA Oxon. She took us through a journey from 650 AD to the time of Henry V, showing the development and characteristics of beautiful illustrated Bibles, Psalters and Books of Hours. They were mostly made in monasteries, e.g. the Lindisfarne Gospel and the Irish Book of Kells. During the Viking invasions the making of these wonderful books went into decline because of the uncertainty of the times. The next great creative production of these manuscripts came with the conversion of the Danes at the time of Alfred the Great. These were quite different from the wonderful and intricate patterned Lindisfarne Gospels and were full of brilliant and humorous drawings, with zoomorphic creatures as ornamentation. In the later Middle Ages, as more people learned to read and write, illustrated books were created outside the religious institutions - coinciding with the rise of the universities. It then became fashionable to use continental styles rather than the native indigenous English ones - but the books were not so vibrant and original (or entertaining). This was an altogether enthralling lecture. The next lecture for the Society, entitled *A Village of Vision*, will be given on Tuesday 21st June, at Borwick Village Hall, by Mr. Richard Norman BA. Lectures start at 2.30 pm prompt.

Visitors welcome, please phone Fanny Leech, tel: 015242 72009 to arrange to come along.

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Dalton Wine Club

An Abundance of Flowers



Hello dear readers. Once more we are talking about a flower wine. It is now June and this month is bursting out with an abundance of flowers. One of the most interesting, being Elderflowers. A very 'British' shrub with many uses.

I remember in my far off days of winemaking, we lived up a lane with a beautiful elder tree growing almost opposite our front door. Very convenient every June when I made the elderflower wine. However, strangers arrived and bought the house opposite and wanting to park his caravan in the lane and finding the elder tree slightly in the way, he proposed to hack it down. This of course would deprive me of my instant ingredient for my summer wine, and anyway, I preferred to look at an elder tree rather than a caravan. Not knowing the person very well and thinking that he may be of the non-drinking, totally opposed to the pleasures of wine (yes there are some people like that!) I dare not go up and say, "Woodman. Spare that tree. It is my source of alcoholic sustenance." So. I told him some facts about the elder. It is an Anglo-Saxon word, 'aeld', and means fire. As the hollow branches were used to blow up the flames of the fires which burned the witches the elder tree is thought of as the witches tree and anyone who destroys one will have his house burnt down and his 'line' shall perish by fire. It is also possible that the tree was a 'transformed witch' and if cut the tree would bleed. I did not tell him that the flowers, if

hung in the house will keep flies away, and an infusion of elderflowers will remove sunburn and freckles. Oh yes a very useful tree and I haven't started on the elderberry. I'll save that for the autumn as I'm sure you will be ready for some information on the wine. The easiest is the old standby of semi-sparkling elderflower wine. I've made gallons and I still do. So easy to make and only two weeks to wait. Non-alcoholic so the children can join in - I am sure you will all know how to make this, but just in case:
2 heads of elderflower, 1 lemon, juice and rind, 750g white sugar, 60ml. white wine vinegar.

Put all ingredients into a bucket (the juice and thinly cut up rind of the lemon) Then add water to make 5 litres then stir to dissolve the sugar. Cover and leave for 24hrs. Bottle and leave for two weeks only. Very good and cheap.

The other wines listed for home brewing, taking twelve months to ferment, is recipe no.2, white dry table wine. Easy to make by going to the shop where there is always a good selection of the recipe no.2 description. But... recipe no.3: sweet, sociable, light fawn wine... Sweet and sociable I can take. But FAWN!!! I ask you... Who would want a fawn coloured wine? Golden, yes, but never fawn. But rest assured, the village store is very sociable and has plenty of white wines both dry and sweet. None of the Fawn stuff there. By the way, just in case there is any out there, I offer my sincere apologies to lovers of light fawn sweet wine.

M.N.

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Mrs Eva Casson, An Appreciation

Many villagers will have been greatly saddened on learning of the death of Mrs E Casson, Eva, to very many older villagers who grew up and lived in Burton with her, and who knew and loved her far better than many of us more recent "offcomers". Mrs Casson, nevertheless, had a keen interest and outlook and welcomed new friends, imparting her knowledge of the history and development of the village and its people. She always welcomed people into her home for a chat, a comforting word, helping young and old alike with projects with great kindness: her Red Cross uniform only just recently worn again by a Burton schoolgirl to remember World War II. Everyone has their own special memories of a dear friend and a good neighbour.

J. Ellis

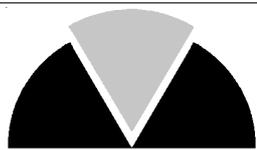


Mrs Casson stopped me in the street once and said, 'I believe you know about Highland history. I was up there as a child. Do come in and talk about it sometime.' When I went, she told me about her grandfather and how he had been a member of the Highland Land Law Reform Association, in the 1880s. This was a radical, even risky thing to do, because the HLLRA was the spearhead for crofters' rights in what became known as the Crofters' War. Soon they were sending five Members to Parliament and they helped to win security of tenure for everybody in the Highlands and Islands. I

lent her my book *On the Crofters' Trail* and she read it and gave it me back with appreciative comments. Her alertness was a joy, she was bright and knowledgeable to talk to, and she clearly sympathised with her grandfather's cause. He lived in Ardgay, in Easter Ross, and Mrs Casson showed me a photo of herself there as a girl of about five (if I remember rightly).

David Craig

The Officers and Boys of the 1st Burton Company, The Boys' Brigade, are grateful to Mrs. Casson for her support and generosity in the presentation of the Casson Trophy, awarded annually in memory of her husband. She regularly supported the Company Display, presenting the Award when she was able to do so.



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The Vicar Writes...

You are the weakest link - Welcome!

Many of us will be familiar with the BBC's quiz show, "The Weakest Link." 8 strangers are brought together to be quizzed by Anne Robinson. Her now famous words of dismissal - "You are the weakest link. Goodbye" - have given her the reputation of being TV's rudest personality.

Many people think that God is a cold head-teacher or cruel-slave driver who delights in dismissing anyone who fails. But nothing could be further from the truth. Despite what we may think, God is not like that. In the Bible God tells us what He is like. He is completely pure, perfect, just and fair. And even though we ignore Him in our lives and constantly fail to meet His standards, He loves us unconditionally and is full of compassion, ready to forgive us. The words "You are the weakest link - goodbye!" are not readily on His lips. In fact, God welcomes the weakest link! To make this welcome possible He sent His Son, Jesus into the world.

Jesus said: "It's not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners." He constantly cared for the rejects of society. He loved the unlovely and the unloved and He forgave them when they came to Him. Jesus came into the world to rescue those who recognise their own weaknesses and sins.

We all fail to meet God's perfect standard and He must

see justice done. But when He died on the cross, Jesus paid the just penalty for our sins. All that cuts us off from God was laid on Jesus, and He suffered for us so that we can have the opportunity to be forgiven, declared "not guilty" and brought into a relationship with God. Forgiveness and friendship with Himself are the gifts that God holds out to each of us. God only says "Goodbye" to those who refuse to take this gift by believing in Jesus.

The Bible announces the coming of a day when the risen Lord Jesus will judge every individual. The vital question then will not be "who is the weakest link?" But rather "have we asked Jesus to be our Lord and Saviour?". Heaven or hell depend on what we do with Jesus. None of us is good enough for God, but because of Jesus He will accept us. If we accept Jesus and His gift of forgiveness God will be delighted to welcome us forever. As someone has said: "Even the weakest link can have the strongest link with God because of Jesus."

Paul

Notice:

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June Services



Services at St James' Burton and Holy Trinity Holme

Sunday 5th June

09:30 am Holy Communion at Burton
11:00 am Holy Communion at Holme
06:30 pm Evening Prayer at Burton

Sunday 12th June

08:00 am Holy Communion (BCP) at Burton
09:30 am Family Service at Burton
11:00 am Family Service at Holme
06:30 pm Evening Prayer at Burton

Sunday 19th June

09:30 am Holy Communion at Burton
11:00 am Holy Communion at Holme
06:30 pm Evening Praise

Sunday 26th June

09:30 am Memorial Hall Service at Burton
09:30 am Morning Prayer (BCP) at Burton
11:00 am Morning Prayer at Holme
06:30 pm Holy Communion at Burton

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Sunday 12th June 9.30am
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An Opinion...

Comments on the goings on of the Parish Council

RESIGNATION LEAVES VACANCY ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

Another year's slipped past, and here comes the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council again, and the election of officers. It's held half an hour earlier than usual, so one member isn't there to vote for next year's officials. He's at work, and arrives twenty minutes later, when all the voting's over. Did I say only one PCllr is absent? Alas, one has fallen by the wayside. Tony Jolley really had very little option but to resign, and his empty chair remains as a curiously pathetic reminder of his very short adventure as one of our representatives. An Opinion bumped into him after the meeting. *"Does resigning feel like a weight off your back?"* she asked. But he said it didn't, as he hadn't had a chance to explain how his obviously outrageous-seeming claims had come about.

So there we were, two PCllrs short of a full house, and voting was as usual: fast-track and unanimous. Here's the outcome of the vote: Chairman - Jane Hopwood; Vice-Chairman - Paul Rogers. Even the selection of Representatives on the various committees didn't really produce any surprises: Recreation Trust - Richard Boddy (the first time in A.O.'s recollection that this position has been held by a PCllr for more than one year, what a go-er); CALC - Jane Hopwood (although up to 2 reps can attend the meetings); Memorial Hall - Paul Rogers; Quarry Liaison - Jane Hopwood - she will be joined by PCllr Janet Alderson on this important Committee; School Governor - George Isherwood; Burton Education Foundation - It was agreed that K. Unsworth should remain on this committee as she is a past PCllr, and has a keen interest in the charity.

COUNCIL VACANCY

Due to Tony Jolley's resignation there is now a vacancy for another PCllr. PCllrs are to canvass for another member. But if YOU fancy having a go, here's your chance. Especially, they agreed, if you are a young mother.

The Open Forum

WPC Casson's Report: Only (!) four incidents were reported this month. Police were called to two assaults, one of which may result in prosecution. In another case, a motorist drove off from Mossdale Petrol Station without paying. Finally, a theft was reported from a house on the Holme/Burton border.

A member of the public queried the statement in the recent article in *Lake District Life* about Burton-in-Kendal, in which it was stated that land had been "earmarked" for housing development. He asked if this was an indication that the decision to build on this site had already been made prior to the public meeting. No one else has queried this, was the Chairman's reply. As it happens, a number of Burtonians have pointed this paragraph out to A.O. We must speak to different people. PCllrs hastened to the defence of their Chairman. "Earmarked" didn't actually mean earmarked, they agreed. Oh. The Chairman thought she might have used the phrase herself when speaking to the journalist. She couldn't remember.

Before the meeting A.O. had heard that matters raised at the OPEN FORUM were now to be referred to in the Minutes. She asked if this was so. "No," said the Chairman. "Well, yes," said some PCllrs. A.O. later contacted the Parish Clerk to clarify this. Briefly - and hopefully this is correctly interpreted by her - some topics raised will be referred to in the Minutes and some not. It seems to depend on the Clerk's discretion. As this is the only time in the meeting when the public can bring matters up in person, this seems regrettable. And it's not only the concerns raised that matter: it's the replies that could be significant.

The Boon Town Housing Project

An apology from a SLDC officer for non-attendance at the public meeting on this subject was read out. Only two officers are able to handle this matter on behalf of SLDC. One was ill, the other was on holiday. PCllrs made conciliatory gestures about this. *"He's a good chap,"* said someone. And so it must appear. Will people take the trouble to turn up at future meetings if there's no-one there to discuss the

problem with? Or is this a blueprint for the future of the democratic process in our area?

Alternative sites

However, following points made at the public meeting, a list of possible alternative sites has been made we were told... though we were not told where they were. PCllrs will visit them this month. Since opposition has virtually been over-ridden, this can only result in PCllrs getting much-needed exercise as they tramp from site to site. A.O. hereby promises to do 100 hours Community Service if a suitable site is found. Owners of these sites have not yet been approached. So don't be surprised if you find this motley gang mooching round your back garden.

Village Design Statement

The Chairman and some PCllrs seem determined to push this through. The *Cartmel Design Statement*, designed by a friend of the Chairman, was cited as a model. It was unclear to A.O. who it's actually aimed at - the readership, that is! In answer to a question, it will not constantly be reviewed and will be designed to cover a period of ten years.

Memorial

The proposed plaque wasn't greeted with too much enthusiasm, though it was agreed that there should be some way of remembering those Burtonians who had taken some part in the Second World War, in recognition of the sixty years that have passed since peace was declared. Fortunately our village historian was present and explained that this past was already well-documented. In particular a photo exists of 92 uniformed local participants. This is in Kendal Record Office, with photocopies in the Holme and District Local History Archive. It was decided that a bench, with a commemorative plaque, should be placed outside the Memorial Hall.

REPORTS

The Recreation Trust

A carefully-prepared statement, which managed to skirt round the fireworks and stick to essentials. The main objective of the Trust at the moment is to secure the future of the Recreation site on a more permanent

basis. This involves negotiation with Avebury Taverns, the owners, who turn out to be a slippery lot (allegedly).

In the course of the following discussion (or possibly before it), the Chairman suggested that the cottage adjoining the Royal Hotel would make a good Heritage site.

No other reports were presented.

Other Matters

1. Problems with the drain at the top of Tanpits Lane will be reported to SLDC. Someone tripped over and fell there.

2. The possible Right of Way at the top of Morewood Drive was discussed. A.O. had always understood that this had been made in order that schoolchildren had a safer way to Morewood School from Vicarage Lane. But sadly it's a question that no longer concerns her. She's long past climbing over stiles.

Footnote

A large part of this meeting was the Finance discussion. At this point the PCllrs talk amongst themselves. At least we kept our seats, and weren't required to leave the room.

A.S.



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COUNCIL NEWS

From South Lakeland District &
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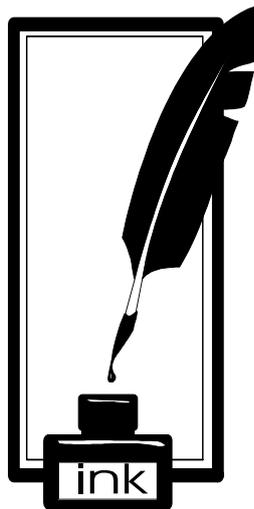
Firstly, thank you for returning me as the County Councillor for Lower Kentdale on 05.05.05. The results were:

ROGER BINGHAM - CONSERVATIVE 2209
ANTONY JOLLEY - LIBERAL DEMOCRAT 925
PETER HORNER - LABOUR 292
CONSERVATIVE MAJORITY - 992

The Lower Kentdale turnout was 74.5%, the second highest in the County. The highest - by just half a per cent - was our neighbouring Division of Kent Estuary at 75%. But I am told our turn out in Burton and Holme was higher. In 2001 the turnout at Heversham (also in Lower Kentdale) at 81% was the highest ward turnout in the kingdom and Burton was not far behind - so I'll check how Burton did as an individual village. It certainly shows our high sense of responsibility. The County results did not lead to a major change in the composition of the Council where there is still 'no overall control'. The figures are Labour 39, Conservatives 33, Liberal Democrats 11 and Independents 1. There were, however, many changes of seats with Conservatives wresting two

seats from Lib. Dems. in South Lakeland and Lib. Dems. gaining seats from Labour in the north of the county. In some cases the majorities were down to single figures and Norman Shaw (Labour) retained his Barrow seat by a majority of one vote over the Conservative.

As far as I know at the time of writing the Conservative/ Liberal Democrat Alliance will continue but it will first have to be approved by the full Council which meets after the *Burton News* deadline - so I'll let you know next month. If the alliance continues I hope to continue to sit in the Cabinet, which will consist of 7 Conservatives and 3 Lib. Dems. I am hoping to retain my Cultural Portfolio, which, at my instigation and to my great joy, will also include responsibility for archaeology as well as for libraries and archives, the arts, equality issues and general 'corporate affairs'. Apart from overseeing the completion of my earlier



plans like Library Links in rural areas, and the new Archives Centre in Carlisle and refurbished facilities in Kendal I hope to initiate some big schemes including the re-listing of historic buildings and monuments, which have not been up dated effectively for 40 years. My overall aim will be to use 'Culture' as the spearhead in Cumbrian regeneration as happened in Liverpool and Glasgow which are European Cities of Culture. We could be the first 'Region of Culture'. But I will have to get Whitehall

approval, as Central Government and European funding will be required as well as the support of the Council. All departments have pressing needs. The



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biggest time bomb ticking away under our finances concerns our having about 25% surplus school places which will inevitably lead to school closures. Fortunately no school in Lower Kentdale is threatened so Morewood and Holme schools are safe. Happily, also, Cumbria LEA has recently achieved the highest OFSTED rating of three stars and we have very few schools 'causing concern' or in 'special measures'.

Though we have fewer children we do have a growing number of older people and so the pressure on Social Services is likely to grow - so there will be more demands on the Council Tax. But I for one will be pressing to keep the tax down hopefully to less than this year's 4.6% rise. Wish me luck! Normal business was virtually suspended during the elections though I attended what meetings there were. On SLDC we have had many training sessions about the new Licensing System which has given the District Council the responsibility for liquor licensing of pubs and clubs which used to be done by the magistrates. The Council was previously only responsible for Entertainment Licensing and other licenses like taxis - and, incidentally, sex shops - not that we have any! Another reorganisation is also going on which should reduce staff numbers without compulsory redundancies which will be co-ordinated by a newly appointed Head of Human Resources.

Flood relief schemes especially Stock Beck in Kendal are also likely to be a persistent, expensive and legally complex. I would be pleased to hear from anyone with a magic touch to provide a simple (and cheap) way of getting round the geographical fact that water

flows down hill and collects in hollows. Finally as a trustee of the *Cumbria Deaf Association* I am pleased to report that we are increasing our support for deaf/blind people. If you know of any hearing impaired people who may need help - please let me know in confidence and I will contact the professional helpers.

Many thanks again and good wishes.

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READERS' RECIPES

As summer is practically with us we thought you would like a couple of very quick to make recipes for barbecuing: a marinade which is delicious on any meat, and a bbq sauce for when you have no time to marinade, but makes meat/bangers/burgers taste just wonderful - so much tastier than "bought" ones, quick to make and keep in the fridge for about 6 weeks!

MARINADE

2 tbsp olive oil
2 tbsp lemon juice
2 tbsp tomato juice
2 tbsp white wine
2 teaspoons Worcester Sauce
2 teaspoons soy sauce



Put all ingredients in a large jar (e.g. old mayonnaise jar of a good size) and shake well, pour over meat and leave for minimum of 2 hours (4-6 better) for a good flavour. Then barbeque.

NGS Open Garden

We are delighted to say that our garden at Pear Tree Cottage, Dalton, will be opening for the first time this year under the auspices of the National Gardens Scheme. The NGS raises funds for a range of charities including Cancer Care and various nursing charities. We shall be open on Sundays 19th June and 10th July from 11-5. The admission is £2.50, children free. There will be plants for sale and teas will be available at Russell Farm courtesy of Anne Taylor. Parking will be available at Russell Farm. We do hope that Burtonians will support us in this venture.

Linda and Alec Greening

If you have a favourite recipe you would like to share with other readers please drop it into our collection point at the village newsagents.

BBQ Sauce

1 tsp chilli powder
1 tsp celery salt
2 tbsp soft brown sugar
2 tbsp wine vinegar (or balsamic if you prefer something a little stronger!)
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Susan



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HISTORICAL FOOTNOTE by Roger Bingham

"The Daffodil Election" of 2005: a non-political review

My Wordsworthian designation of the County Council and General Elections stems from my seeing daffodils in full bloom throughout the campaign which for me as a County Candidate began on 5th of January five months before Polling Day on 05.05.05. On the earlier date I saw a clump of daffodils full out on St James' Drive when there were still Christmas trees in the windows. There were still some late daffs in flower in early May. Unfortunately the mild Christmastide weather did not last, unlike some outside Christmas lights, which were still in place when Summer time came. Also I discovered a Christmas Tree still up in a Burton house on 1st May!

By and large it was the coldest campaign I can remember. For most of the time I was the 'prat in the hat' stomping round in an old fleece, scarf and two pairs of socks. Actually, I enjoyed the walk even though I achieved my highest ever dog bite score of five. The bites comprised one frontal attack at Holme Mills, which left me with a scar on my knee, one ankle bite at Mansergh and fingers snapped three times elsewhere when posting leaflets through the letterboxes. As in the last election there are fewer floor level or brush letterboxes than at one time. But there are still too many painful mousetraps and double hatched slits, which destroy leaflets. Silent doorbells are also a problem. Sometimes they just don't work; other times you can't hear them outside so you either knock unnecessarily or blast the ears of the

householder by ringing hard again - thereby imperilling support. I fear, too, that I might have antagonised a Leasgill resident when his gate literally dissolved into a heap of rotten splinters when I pulled it open and also a Burton resident whose lawn I crossed several times before I saw a card on the front door saying '*Please use the paths and not lawns*'. Nevertheless, with only three exceptions everybody was extremely polite and generally friendly during my ten trips round. None of the rude people were from Burton. They were a door to door salesman who said I had refused to buy from him although I have absolutely no recollection of the incident, a self confessed 'socialist' who scathingly refused my leaflet while unloading wine from his Range Rover outside his 'second home', and an old man who 'f'd and blinded' me about posters in farmers' fields.

This election was conspicuously a battle of the posters. Our previous M.P. Michael Jopling used to claim that he saw more 'Save the Whale' posters than political slogans during his campaigns in the 1970's. This time there were more Party posters in Burton than in the whole of Carlisle and we had fewer than in most places in the Constituency. Altogether I counted eight orange Liberal Democrat Posters in Burton and nine blue and white Conservative Posters. Even so the fluorescent Lib Dem posters literally stood out for miles as I could spot those around Junction 36 from the hills above Lupton. As a 'blue' supporter I was

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distressed one evening when driving home in the dusk to see an orange splodge in one of my supporters' garden. Fortunately I did not ring up to enquire as the next morning I discovered that I had glimpsed an orange berberis bush. To Burton's credit no posters were vandalised unlike in other places.

As in previous elections I met many people for the first time. This reflects Burton's partly transient population, which seems to change by about 20% every four years. Some folk, as always, grumbled that they only saw me at election time. As I believe I am out and about and involved in Burton as much as possible, I wonder how they imagine that short of breaking into people's homes I can meet them if they themselves are not involved in village activities or use our shops and services.

Certainly the age of Political Meetings is over. 50 years ago at the 1955 Election the Conservative Candidate William Vane addressed 50 meetings. No Candidate this time held even a traditional eve of poll meeting.

Also as usual I enjoyed observing social changes. One election year, you may recall, I noticed how every body seemed to have acquired a hook on which to hang bananas! This time I wish I had invested in manufacturing blue plant pots, as I seemed to trip over them on every other garden path. Also I noticed a vogue for fawn mats decorated with elongated fir trees. Almost all houses and gardens were immaculate though several residents still have not completed DIY jobs begun during last year's District elections - ouch! By far my most serious observation was the decline

in agriculture. I had not visited some farms since 1997 as access was prohibited on account of Foot and Mouth Disease during the 2001 election. Especially in the Lune Valley, I saw neglected farm yards littered with rusting machines, fields reverting to scrub and met older farmers carrying on single handed while the rest of their families worked elsewhere. Yet, despite this depressing trend the diverse beauty of Lower Kentdale remains, as does the friendliness of 99.9% of its inhabitants.

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As part of its attempt to communicate effectively with parishioners the PC decided to have an interactive website created. Each month there is a **Poll** which seeks your opinion about one matter of interest to the village along with the opportunity to **make comments** about the current month's Poll subject. This month the question is "Would you mind if the Royal Hotel is redeveloped for housing?"

The **Feedback** board on the website allows parishioners to **make comments** and **send suggestions** to the PC without having to attend a PC meeting or set to and write a letter. Every entry on the **Feedback** board is reported back to the next PC meeting and considered for action. Two of the items suggested so far are already under active consideration by the PC so this is a good way to raise anything you're concerned about or would like to see improved.

You will also find copies of PC meeting **Agendas and Minutes** on the website, **details of the current PC** with **contact info** for all the councillors and the clerk, a **mailing form** so you can e-mail the Parish Clerk directly, and links to other local & national government services websites which may be of use to you.

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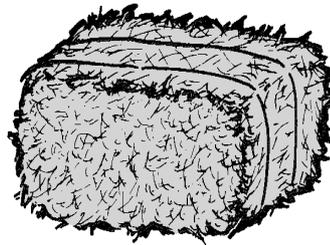
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Although the *BN* team do the work for free, such altruism doesn't extend to the printers and those costs have to be met to continue the job. We save money by having *BN* printed at the lowest possible cost, and though that sometimes means the photographs don't come out as well as we would like - to do better would triple the printing bill which isn't an option. Please give generously to keep *BN* going - we'd hate to be made redundant!

Council Vacancy

The resignation of a parish councillor has left a vacancy which may be filled either through a by-election, or if no-one requests one, by co-option by the existing PC. For a by-election to be held there needs to be a written request made by 10 electors within 14 days of the vacancy being declared, which would appear to be before the 2nd June, so by the time you read this it may be too late to request a by-election. If you have a burning desire to represent your fellow parishioners why not contact the PC anyhow and ask about being co-opted?

Dog mess

No, it's not a nice subject and there are many dog owners who clean up after their pets. However, there are still a minority who do not and it is those that bring all dog owners into disrepute. It's not difficult to do if you take along the correct items such as plastic bags and kitchen roll - and if you let your children walk your dogs, then teach them how to clean up. Remember if they are seen not doing so it will be you paying the hefty fine!

Have your own bit in *BN*

Following on from Liz Dew's article on India we will be having a serialisation of Malcom Brownsord's MG adventure in future issues. If you have something interesting to say then why not let *BN* publish it for you. You don't have to do it every month, a 'one off' item is just as welcome.

AN & BJM



Annual Gift Subscriptions

If you know of anyone who may like to receive *BN* regularly each month, why not buy them an Annual Gift Subscription?

For £10 within the UK or £20 overseas they will receive a copy of *BN* each month (11 copies per year). A great way for family, friends and former residents to keep in touch with what's happening here in Burton. Anyone interested should contact *BN* at the address on back page.



Advertising rates for both *Swap Shop* or *For Sale* is £1 per month for 3 lines (must incl. a phone number). Copy of advert & payment should be put into a sealed envelope marked *BN Sales & Swaps* and left at the newsagents or sent to our PO Box address (see back page).

Diary and Events

See pages 17, 21 & back page for more events

Art and Craft Exhibition

Sat 18th & Sun 19th June 10.00 - 4.00
Burton Memorial Hall

Paintings / Drawings / Crafts

Entry forms for exhibitors are still available from:
Gill Chaldecott, The Old School House, Main St,
Burton, or telephone 782402 for more info.

If you want to exhibit and haven't booked your space(s) or table(s) yet contact Gill **NOW** before it's too late!



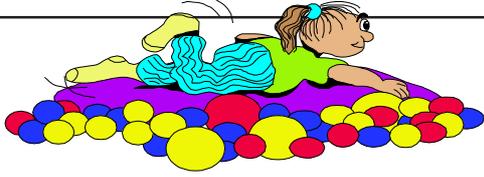
Sunday, June 26th
from 10am - 4pm

Hill House, Main Street
Burton-in-Kendal
(opposite the Royal carpark)

Garage clear-out of
quality household
goods

COMMUNITY INFO

**NSPCC Child Protection
HELPLINE
0808 800 5000**



**CHILDLINE
FREEPHONE 0800 1111
KIDSCAPE 020 7730 3300**

County Library Van Times



The library van will be in the Memorial Hall car park every Monday between 10.00 - 11.00 a.m. Why not pop along and save yourself a trip to Kendal?

REMINDER . . .

**Don't forget that the birds
still need fresh water and
food now the breeding
season has started**



Useful Phone Numbers

Burton News Editors	01524 781306
Burton Post Office	01524 781828
Burton Morewood School	01524 781627
Dallam School	015395 63224
QES, Kirkby Lonsdale	015242 71275
CrimeStoppers	0800 555 111
Kendal Police Station	01539 722611
Kendal Library	01539 732815
Kendal Hospital	01539 732288
Lancaster Hospital	01524 65944

Council Switchboards

Cumbria County Council	01539 773000
SLDC	01539 733333

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 at <http://www.burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT
THE CLERK - Charles Dale
01524 781145**

Community Transport South Lakeland

If you need transport to hospital, doctor, dentist, optician, etc., please contact Mrs. Lynn Herd 01524 781905.

If you could spare some time as a volunteer driver you would be most welcome.

Enquiries to above or 01539 735598.

SURGERY TIMES

Dr JH Gorrigan

Monday 8.30am - 10.30am @ BMH

By appointment only. To make appointments please telephone 015395 63553

Child Health Clinic

1st Wednesday of each month
10.00 - 11.00 am

No appointment necessary
Health Visitor: Shirley Bennett 015395 64887

Diary and Events

This month's Events - See pages 17, 21, 22 for more Meetings and Activities

Party Night @ The Park in Kendal

Live Music & D.J.

Thursday 14th July

7.30 - 11.30 pm

Year 10 Upwards - Tickets £3

Contact: Laura - 01524 781792

*Proceeds to the Special Baby Care Unit
at the Royal Lancaster Infirmary*



Burton W.I.

Thursday 9th June

at 7.30pm

Burton Memorial Hall

"The Quaker Tapestry"

Ann & Richard Taylor

Competition: Piece of embroidery/tapestry

Hostesses: Mrs S Holt, Mrs P Johnson

*Guests and new members welcome
For further information tel. 781506*

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE AND CANCER CARE SHOPS

**Coffee Morning in the Memorial Hall
10.00 a.m. - 12 Noon Saturday 2 July**

These very important local charities need your support. The shops manned by volunteers and operated by the charities as a joint venture need your unwanted items to sell. Not toys, not furniture but bric a brac, C.D.'s, videos, books, quality clothing etc.

Our van will be at the Hall to collect whatever you can kindly donate, please be generous.

Your local contact is Malcolm Brownsord (781405) a Hospice trustee and chairman of the shop operating company.

BMH = Burton Memorial Hall

Tuesday Club
Social Club for over-55's

June Meetings

Tuesday 7th and 21st

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Burton Memorial Hall

New members welcome

Burton Ladies Rounders

Wed 8th June - Clapham - Away

Wed 15th June - Wray - Away

Thur 23rd June - Lowgill - Home

Mon 27th June - Austwick - Away

*Please contact Jane 781425, Lesley 782218,
Louise 782311 for more details and check
the P.O. window for practice sessions*

**YOUR ENTHUSIASM IS MORE IMPORTANT
THAN YOUR ABILITY!**

Holme & District
Flower Club

Preston Patrick Hall



Monday 6th June - 7.30 p.m.

"From a Distance"

Demonstration by Diane Fair

For further information tel. Cally Lawson 781764

New members and visitors always welcome

Please send your letters - articles - events
news - etc for publication to:

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drop them into The Newsagents, Main St. Burton
or post to BN, PO Box 86, Carnforth. LA6 1WY
or by e-mail to editor@burtonnews.org.uk

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Next Meeting (open to all readers)

Monday 13th June at 8.00 pm