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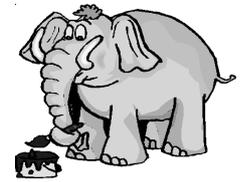
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Val & Sarah at Victoria House

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Frank Walton 782991 or Malcolm Brownsord 781405

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.

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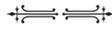
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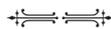
Kathleen and myself would like to thank most sincerely all our good friends and neighbours for the overwhelming show of support and good wishes shown during Les's recent illness and spell in hospital. Special thanks to Mike and Anne Taylor for all that they have done to help us.

Les and Kathleen, Cocking Yard, Burton



My family and I would like to thank all friends and neighbours who helped me during Fred's illness. I was particularly grateful for all the kindness, sympathy, cards, letters and donations for the hospice when he passed away.

Margaret Ratcliffe, 7 Burton Park



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We would like to thank all those who enjoyed our railway this summer. We look forward to seeing you next Easter.

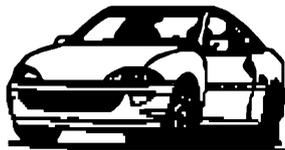
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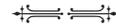
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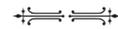
Happy Birthday!

Thomas, 3 years old. Lots of love from Mum, Dad and Jack. 22nd October.



Burton Ladies Rounders

Our rounders season has now finished for another year and we should like to thank all our players for their enthusiasm, making it another great season. Jane Vicary will be stepping down as captain and the team would like to thank her for all her hard work over the last few years, not to mention her arnica! Next year's captains will be Louise Barker and Lesley McCanney, so if you are interested in playing please contact either Louise 782311 or Lesley 782218. Next year's season will start in May.



Thank You!



The Burton News Editorial Committee wishes to thank the *Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum* for their generous grant which has enabled BN's elderly and misbehaving laser printer to be replaced with a shiny new reliable model. The laser printer produces the master copies which the commercial printshop uses to produce the magazine for us.



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**Summer over? Feeling down?
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Friday 25th November & Saturday 26th November. A very funny *Love Begins at Fifty* will be a welcome start for the festive season.

Alison Murphy, 781007

See *BN* photos in colour on our website
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Burton-in-Kendal Parish Council

The first issue of the Parish Council's new quarterly newsletter was issued in September and every household in the parish should have received a copy. The PC would be interested in knowing your views on the newsletter, or for that matter, on any other issue. The PC website has a monthly HOT TOPIC where you can vote, and a Feedback Board for raising issues and making comments to the PC. This month's HOT TOPIC is "Do you like the new Quarterly Parish Newsletter? If you have internet access why not visit the PC website and have YOUR say about this or any other matter that is bugging you?"

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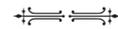
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Burton Bowling Club **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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B B C Radio Cumbria Bus

The BBC Radio Cumbria Bus is back on the road in October and heading for our area. If you want to learn how to surf the internet, use a digital camera, edit videos on your PC or make your own website then pop along to the bus and have a taster session. The local dates are:

Mon 31st Oct - Tues 1st Nov, 11am - 3pm
The Fighting Cocks Pub, Arnside

Wed 2nd - Fri 4th Nov, 11am - 3pm
The Square, Holme

The Bus team is planning to visit Burton in the New Year, and BN will bring you the dates as soon as they have been finalised.

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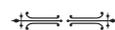
Tiffany - The First Great American Glass Maker

Mrs Dianna Lloyd gave a most enjoyable and comprehensive lecture on the works of Louis Comfort Tiffany. He was born the son of the wealthy and successful jeweller, Charles Lewis Tiffany and was encouraged to study art by his father. He realised fairly early in his career that, although talented, he was never going to be a great painter, and he turned his energies into becoming a successful interior decorator. He had made the 'Grand Tour' to Europe on three occasions and was deeply impressed by the 1860s' Paris Exhibition, and took back knowledge of 'objet d'art' from all over the world, especially the designs from the Middle East and Japan. As an interior designer he was especially interested in the use of glass in homes, and his designs spanned the 'Arts and Crafts' movement, through 'Art Nouveau' to the beginnings of 'Art Deco'. But it was with 'Art Nouveau' that he had his greatest successes. This movement exactly suited the shifting colour and tactile beauty of his creations. His innovative use of stained glass, using varying colours in the glass rather than the enamelling techniques used in England made his glass unique at the time. In 1889, now a successful and famous interior designer, his father sent him once again to France, to visit the 1889 Exhibition, where he encountered the designer Gallé. Back in America he, like Gallé began creating studio vases - one off works of art -

using the same cameo carving technique. His genius was so versatile that he could turn his hand to any objects found within the home, churches, theatres or other public places – glass, mosaics, jewellery, and tiles. In 1893 Joseph Biggs from Accrington went out to America and joined the Tiffany Mosaics factory, rising to become its managing director. When the 'Art Deco' movement finally became established, Tiffany's work went out of fashion, and the company went bust. Biggs collected everything that was left and shipped it all back to Accrington. That is why today Accrington has the finest collection of Tiffany's works in the world.

The next lecture for the Society, entitled 'The Rise and Fall of Abstract Art', will be given on Tuesday 18th October, at Borwick Village Hall, by Professor Nigel Whitely. Lectures start at 2.30 pm promptly.

Visitors welcome, please contact Fanny Leech, 015242 72009 to arrange.



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OUTDOORS

The other week when we were bowling at Heversham (we won 6/2), a mewing sounded from high above the village. Three buzzards were cruising and circling, flying towards each other and past each other in a leisurely dance. Almost certainly they were two adults with their young one, teaching her or him to manoeuvre in the air-space, before they let the young bird go its own way. It looked and sounded outlandish, even weird, in the heart of a genteel village. Of course it wasn't - with the dying-down of myxomatosis rabbits are everywhere again and as they become plentiful, so does their main predator, the buzzard.

I was reminded that evening of a day in 1988 when Anne and I took an inflatable upstream on the Shubenecadie River in Nova Scotia, riding the tidal bore. Above the fir and spruce tops several white-headed American eagles were gliding and spiralling in the same sort of flying class for the young. My finest sight of our own golden eagle was on Beinn Alligin in the northwest Highlands. An eagle came gyring up from below as we balanced along the rocky crest of the Horns. Each brown feather on its great wings was visible only yards away. Then it spied us and sheered off. Still greater was the first white-tailed sea eagle I have seen. It was reintroduced some years ago to the Hebrides, after seventy years of extinction. On Mingulay in the spring



of 1999, where we'd gone to climb the sea-cliffs, an unbelievably broad-winged bird took off from a rock on McPhee's Hill and sailed out westwards over the ocean. On several rocks nearby the bonxies or great skuas saw it off watchfully, then turned their chiselly beaks towards us, like minders looking for trouble.

All these moments lift the heart. For a few minutes the arc of your own life almost intersects with the wild animals'. On the threshold of the narrow cave at the high point of Farleton crags a mile from here I once came across a young kestrel, just fledged, with wisps of down still clinging to its head. It looked vulnerable to foxes or dogs. Then I saw the mother and father birds perched twenty or thirty yards away, keeping an eye open for their child. Once the kestrel is airborne it can menace all the other birds, or so they must feel. In early September, above the bowling green, a swallow flew repeatedly at a questing kestrel, buzzing it until it retreated west over Main Street.

The hawks are never far away, regardless of buildings or traffic. Once a sparrowhawk perched for a moment on our garden fence. Another of its kind made a lethal hit on a swift. Anne heard a clattering in the cherry tree near the back door. A moment later we found a swift on the grass. It gave a short breath and died, and I buried it under the cypress tree. I don't know what had killed a blackbird which was lying dead in the front yard on a frosty mid-winter morning. Another blackbird was perching on it and had already eaten its head to the bone.

Sooner or later you seem to come across every sort

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of episode in the life of our fellow animals, whether inspiring or daunting, exhilarating or deathly. On another wintry early morning we counted twenty-six herons perched on trees near where the Bela enters the Kent, between Milnthorpe and Sandside. They were holding out their wings to dry and warm after a chilling night on their nests. Another time, three herons were perched on the parapet of Braithwaite's Bridge quarter of a mile up the canal, looking oddly out of place. Perhaps they were looking down into the water for frogs or fish. My most intimate sight of a canal bird was two hundred yards south of there. A dark shape lurked in the water, which was clear as crystal. It pointed towards me like an arrow-head - a moorhen, just submerged, with its wings splayed and its beak thrust forward, in which I could see the twin nostril-holes. It must have been hoping that this intruder would clear off before it had to surface, and so I did.

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Big Black Cat Seen Again Near Burton

At around 7.20 am on the chill morning of Saturday 17th September Burton couple, Alison and George Flanders, spotted a big black cat scratting about on the grass verge of the road near to Biggins between Burton and Kirkby Lonsdale.

Alison told BN that the animal had a very long tail held aloft, and she was certain it was a feline rather than any domestic or farm animal. She described it as "big, black and velvety" and "very lithe and sleek". The day was clear but bitterly cold, Alison said, with the thermometer in the car registering 4 degrees Centigrade outside and visibility being very good.

Sadly neither Alison nor George had a camera to hand to capture the beast on film so BN cannot bring you a picture of the black cat yet. If any of our readers are out and about it may be a good idea to have a small camera handy just in case you see this most elusive of felines slinking along the lanes.

There have been many reports of big black cats in the area in recent years so it's only a matter of time until one is captured clearly on film.

A.N.



'Jam and Jerusalem' & a bit more in 1930's Burton

Following a recent talk at the Neighbourhood Forum entitled 'NOT just Jam and Jerusalem' I have looked at Burton Women's Institute Records preserved in the Archives at County Hall, Kendal.

Burton W.I. was founded on 22nd February 1932 - almost exactly two-thirds into the 'Long Weekend' which constituted the gap between the First and Second World Wars. At one of the first meetings members refused a Parish Council request that they should take over responsibility for cleaning the War Memorial because there was still £28 9s 10d in the village memorial fund. Later, in a rare excursion into civic affairs, they resolved that there 'should be a simple and inexpensive method of secret ballot for Parish Council Elections'. The inaugural meeting was presided over by Miss Lloyd of Heversham. I remember her from twenty years later as a posh, short, fat lady who drank gin, slept through sermons and looked rather like the late actress Margaret Rutherford. Burton members chose a similar Gentlewoman in Miss Ethel Lees of Burton Hall as the first Branch President. She held office for the next 20 years - as, incidentally, did Miss Lloyd at Heversham. Many members of the first W.I. Committee bore well known Burton names including 'Mesdames' Duckett, Crayston, Read and Robinson; Christian names were never recorded. The ladies agreed to meet on the second Thursday in each month; the annual subscription should be two shillings, with one-

HISTORICAL FOOTNOTE by Roger Bingham

penny entrance fee for competitions, one penny for tea and refreshments and three pence for visitors. Initial purchases included envelopes at one shilling per 100, posters for meetings at two shillings and sixpence per 100 and members badges at ten pence each. Other costs included an annual contribution of 30 shillings (equivalent to a manual worker's weekly wage) towards expenses of delegates attending the Annual National AGM in London. Despite a minute in March 1934 that 'the Jerusalem Singing Competition which was arranged for the evening owing to insufficient practice was cancelled' the Institute decided to purchase a 'large Jerusalem Poster for eleven shillings.'

The first talks, in 1932, were on 'Horticulture' and 'Dressing Poultry' and, despite later strictures, the first competition was for the best jars of raspberry jam and blackberry jelly. Subsequent programmes reflected the W.I. motto of 'For Home and Country' rather than an urge for Social Justice implied by the words of Jerusalem. Hence, members heard Mrs Douthwaite of The Smithy, Ackenthwaite, on Puff Pastry, 'making slippers from old felt hats from Mrs Bonney of Bowness, Cadbury's chocolate demonstration of cake baking and Miss Higginbottom on 'Super Supper Savouries and Sweets'.

There was as yet little involvement in music and drama but the Institute had its own 'Bowls sub committee.' Wider cultural themes included lantern lectures on



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the Lake District by Mr Binyon of Heversham who, incidentally was the uncle of the Great War poet Laurence Binyon. A lecture on history by Mr McIntyre of Milnthorpe had to be cancelled as he 'could not arrange the Transport' as there would not be a bus for the return journey - and presumably no member had a car and the Institute could not afford a taxi. On another occasion a competition for a Bowl of Hyacinths had to be postponed from February to March as the bulbs 'had failed to come into flower in time'.

Social concern was indicated by regular Rummage Sales and occasional Baby Shows for the Nursing Association (which paid for the District Nurse) and a £2 annual donation to the National School. The members, however, complained when the School's stove broke down.

Sociable items included 'book balancing' (on the head?), vegetable head dresses, best Coronation Hat in 1937 (but did they mean a crown?) and 'a Parade of Duster Caps'. Most members would wear mop, or duster caps, daily as they spent their working lives scouring their homes without the benefit of vacuum cleaners. Most homes still lacked electricity and it was regarded as being ultra modern, in 1935, when 'cooking by electricity' was demonstrated by the Westmorland Electricity Company. As the National School was lit by oil lamps I'm not sure how the supply would be obtained. The W.I. also got the same firm to put on a (silent) film for the Silver Jubilee of George V in 1935 and a 'talkie' for the Coronation of George VI in 1937. Incidentally the W.I. went ahead with its

meeting on 10th December 1936 despite the announcement of the Abdication of Edward VIII.

From the W.I. perspective rural life ambled along pleasantly until on 7th September 1939 'it was decided on the proposal of Mrs Robinson and seconded by Mrs Cummings that owing to the National Emergency that the meetings be cancelled until definite instructions were received from the County Federation as to the duties of the W.I. in time of war'. On 20th September it was resolved that 'owing to the National School being taken by the Air Raid Precautions Committee for a First Aid Post and was permanently blacked out that the next meeting would be held at Burton House'. At that first wartime meeting members learnt that four hundred weight of sugar had been purchased for 27/6 for wartime jam making. Clearly Burton W.I. was resolved to fight on the 'home and country' front to save 'our green and pleasant land'.

Roger



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The Vicar Writes...

Harvest Thanksgiving 2005

Sharing God's Good Gifts and the Love of Jesus

The focus of our Harvest Thanksgiving this year will be on two Christian ministries: Caring For Life (CFL) and Barnabas Fund.

Caring For Life is a registered Christian charity based in Leeds. The aim of CFL is to share the love of Jesus Christ with homeless and vulnerable people by providing accommodation, ongoing support and friendship, thus enabling people to develop dignity and self-respect. The Bible tells us that men and women are made in the image of God and, therefore, ought to be treated with dignity and respect. CFL takes this biblical mandate seriously and their principle of care springs from the example of Jesus and the way He reached out to those despised and rejected by society. Homelessness is often the problem that brings people to CFL, but a whole range of other problems lie beneath the surface: physical and sexual abuse, mental illness and drug abuse to name but a few. The team at CFL seeks to address all these issues as they share the love of Christ in practical ways - providing homes, food, support and therapeutic activities. Through the practical care and faithful biblical witness of Caring For Life many people have come to know the fresh start with God that Jesus brings in the forgiveness of sins. It's a fantastic work and worthy of our support. Here's a few suggestions for Harvest gifts:

Drinks: tea bags, coffee, cordial, long-life fruit juices, long-life milk. Breakfast cereals; Jars: ketchup and brown sauce, tomato puree, pasta and curry sauces, golden syrup and jam. Tins: vegetables & potatoes, tomatoes, evap. milk and custard, ready meals, tuna, rice pudding, corned beef, ham, steak, fruit. Dried fruit: rice, plain and SR flour, sugar and sweeteners; lentils beans. Treats: Biscuits and Chocolate; Christmas extras.



Barnabas Fund exists to support Christians where they are in a minority and suffer discrimination, oppression and persecution as a result of their faith. The Fund's goal is to strengthen Christian individuals, churches and their communities by providing material and spiritual support in response to needs identified by local Christian leaders.

Many thousands of Christians around the world are living in severe destitution as a result of discrimination and persecution. God has blessed us here in Burton with so much. As we thank God for His abundant provision of our needs, we at St. James feel it is especially important to remember our brothers and sisters in Christ suffering terrible poverty. So, on October 9th we'll be taking up an offering for Barnabas Fund, sharing the plenty of our harvest with those members of our Christian family who have next to nothing. By giving only a little of our plenty we can make a big difference in the lives of others.

Take Barnabas Fund's feeding project in Pakistan for instance. Just £17 provides a family of average size with enough food for a month. By providing basic items such as flour, oil, pulses and sugar, the family budget is radically altered. Children no longer need to be sent out to work to earn a few rupees. Instead there is enough money for them to go to school. Hundreds of children of Christian parents are now getting an education in Christian schools. And with three meals a day both physical and mental health within the Christian communities is improving.

It only takes £17 a month to transform a situation of degrading poverty, helplessness and suffering into one of hope, self-help, optimism, dignity and empowerment.

Why not join us at our Harvest Thanksgiving on October 9th as we praise God for His goodness to us and pray for and donate food and money to these worthwhile ministries and discover together the reality of Jesus' words: "It is more blessed to give than it is to receive." (Acts 20:35)

Paul

October Services

Services at St James' Burton and Holy Trinity Holme



Sunday 2nd October

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

Sunday 9th October

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

Sunday 16th October

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

Notice:

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

Sunday 23rd October

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

Sunday 30th October

10:00am Joint Family Service at Burton
06:30pm Evening Church at Burton

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Comments on the goings-on of the Parish Council

PARISH COUNCILLORS

- NOT EXACTLY CALENDAR GIRLS

Police report

Wisely, the Chairman left her 'Announcements' till after WPC Casson's Report to the Parish, thus freeing our Community Policewoman to leave after her presentation. There has been much in and around Burton requiring Police action in the last month.

Two attempts at robbery have been foiled at Curwen Woods, in the stable area. In one case a vehicle believed to have been involved was apprehended by Police, but although the occupants were known to them, they were unable to take any action. Nevertheless hopefully this will be a warning for those questioned to stay away from our area.

Other suspicious vehicles have been reported by vigilant Burtonians, and the Police have been there to take prompt action. In another case, a burglar alarm went off and was reported, but turned out to be a false alarm.

At Burton Services, criminal damage was done to a car. In another incident, also at Burton Services, a man stole a packet of sarnies, but his number-plate was recorded, and he was later apprehended. Not recorded is whether he had time to eat the sandwiches.

A driving offence by a Burtonian travelling in Scotland was reported to the Police, and the driver warned. Thieves broke into Holme Park Quarry and stole computer equipment while the burglar alarm was out of use. A window smashed in the village may have been an accident.

There were six complaints of anti-social behaviour. In one instance a For Sale notice was stolen (!) This was later found to be high-jinks celebrating the end of school exams. Complaints were made of scooters

riding on the school playing-field. Police were involved when a Burtonian received a threatening and abusive phone call. It appears highly possible the caller had got the wrong number.

A row broke out between two school pupils in which their families became involved - as was drink. Warnings were issued. Graffiti on the wall of the Royal Hotel was offensive, naming local police and their children. It has been removed.

Phew! That's all for now. PCllrs thanked PC Casson for her report, and asked for a Police eye to be kept on the grounds of the Royal Hotel, which it appears has become a bit of a hotspot for who-knows-what.

Chairman's Announcements

The most important announcement was in the form of a letter which the Chairman read out to the meeting. Janet Alderson, a PCllr whose connection with the Parish Council covers some years, has had to resign as her husband is in ill-health, and she feels she can no longer devote sufficient time to her Council duties. This is a sad loss to the PC. PCllr Alderson was previously Clerk to the PC and has considerable expertise and knowledge of Council matters. A.O. has warm feelings towards this PCllr and will miss her. Janet Alderson has been of assistance on many occasions when writing this column, and gave her opinions frankly and sometimes severely on what was written. But there was never self-interest or any other aim than her desire to achieve A.O.'s best efforts. So goodbye, Janet, and may everything go well for you and Jack and your family.

Open Forum

The Poor Condition of the Pavements in Main Street
A member of the public pursues this topic with praiseworthy determination. She reported that lumps of tarmac have now filled some of the worst potholes, making little, if any, improvement. She has complained to SLDC and received a fairly unsatisfactory reply. The Chairman asked members of the public to add their complaints - the PC and Local District Cllr have done so, to no avail. PC dissatisfaction was expressed

about Capita, who contract Highways work out on behalf of the Highways Dept of SLDC. Note. The Chairman emphasised that taking over this sort of road repair might be a possible outcome of achieving Quality Status for the PC.

The Budget

The aim of the working party of three, they reported, was to hold the precept (that's the amount we all pay to the Parish Council in our Council Tax) as it has been for the last five years. Reserves are building up. There are three projects the PC hopes to undertake. They are:

1. To restore local historical signposts.
2. To situate a memorial plaque on the wall of the Memorial Hall, and to refurbish the PC notice board, with lighting.
3. To provide funding for the publishing of a quarterly PC Newsletter, (around £400p.a.)

The budget was unanimously adopted by the four PCllrs present, plus Chairman. However, it was music to A.O.'s ears when the Chairman pointed out there was no real purpose served by hanging on to surpluses (of our taxes, remember, that we've already paid out). As this is a point A.O. has been banging on about, and for which she has received stick in previous years, it has to be said she felt some gratification, as well as heartily agreeing.

Affordable Housing

Sadly, and uncomfortably, this is an area where A.O. will never agree with action taken by the PC, to convert most of the one green area in Burton owned publicly,

into a housing complex - admittedly with what promises to be a token playground now apparently tacked on BEHIND the projected houses, where it will probably become unused, thus creating an argument for even more building. It was also not clear to her why the chairman advised PCllrs to agree to pass over ALL the land, including the part set aside for the playground, to the Housing Association. Her argument seemed to be that thus Burton would no longer be responsible for the cost of its upkeep. (But how does this argument square with the wish for Quality Status, and increase in powers and responsibility??) Also, A.O. is uneasy about the chairman's reference to the use of the playground for the use 'of toddlers'. It threatens to become a truly emasculated area, once again closing a window for high-spirited older children who need an outlet for their energy. (And it also means A.O.'s hopes of finally conquering the treadmill contraption will be gone forever!)

Co-option of a new Parish Councillor

Alan Wren has been co-opted onto the PC, by the five members present. A further vacancy appears on the PC due to PCllr Alderson's resignation.

The Calendar

At least as much discussion arose on this simple topic as on all weightier matters. But it was light-hearted and made a nice change. It's a simple list of the dates of Burton PC's meetings for the next year. A.O.'s attention was diverted. Could Calendar Councillors perhaps compete with the W.I. Calendar Girls? How about a photo of PCllrs skinny-dipping in the canal? It would make a gripping front cover for the new PC leaflet. Sorry, A.O.'s skill is simply not up to a cartoon of this. She'll leave it to your imagination.



A.O.

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Dalton Wine Club



I am writing this on one of the first days where there is a definite 'Autumn Chill' in the air. Summer days of sitting in the garden with chilled white wine are over for a few months. But, we can now look forward to lazy days and dark evenings sitting round the fire and sipping lovely deep velvet red wine. Yes I did say 'lazy'. Wine is a drink that is only sipped slowly and tastes better when one is in a languid mood. One of my favourite wines for this time of year is Cahors. Once famously known as the 'Black Wine' This was when the Malbec grape was mainly used. Now, Merlot is the main grape. It is still dark, blackcurranty and has that 'velvet' texture. Excellent with a strong cheese, heaven with Stilton. Go on, get into a languid mood.

Talking of 'languid moods' reminds me of the other 50% of the Dalton Wine Club. I have been chatting to you for the last twelve months and I thought you would like a change and to hear what the other half of us

has to say. So I asked my colleague/friend if she would like to have her say. She appeared to be somewhat reluctant, but would think about it and let me know. The next day she fell down stairs and broke her wrist! Does anyone out there know me? Would you say that I was the domineering kind? Frightful? Femme Formidable? One that should be obeyed? Please, please, if ever you meet me and I ask you to do something, remember there is a little word... 'no'... I will not mind, but do not fall downstairs in order to prevent yourselves from doing something I have asked you to do. Just call round, we will share a bottle of Cahors, sit by the fire and you can languidly say "NO".

M.N.



Burton Memorial Hall

At the Annual General Meeting of the Memorial Hall management committee, the current chairperson, Susan Williamson, expressed a desire to stand down and asked for someone to take on the role. Once again there were no volunteers forthcoming, so Susan has agreed to remain in post for one more year only. She has made it very clear that at the next AGM there will need to be a new chairperson appointed.

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September traditionally sees more work for most councillors but especially for the ten County Councillors who are Cabinet Members with executive responsibilities like me. This year my diary pressures have included extra work for me as a Lay Preacher caused by clerical vacancies at Milnthorpe, Heversham and Beetham. Also, as a BADS member I have started rehearsals for our November production of *Love begins at Fifty*.

As an illustration of 'what councillors do' my diary for the first week of September read 1st. Voluntary Action, Cumbria (VAC) and Playing Fields Association at Penrith, speaking engagement for Kendal Ladies Dinner Club, 2nd. AGM of VAC at Thirlmere, emergency training at Kendal, 3rd Friends of Cumbria Archives at Whitehaven, Theatre by the Lake Board meeting at Patterdale, speaking engagement Grange over Sands, 4th Preach at Heversham and Milnthorpe then Play Rehearsal, Burton. 5th All day Scrutiny training at Cockermouth, planning visit Holme, PCC Milnthorpe, 6th Culture Planning Carlisle, SLDC full Council Kendal, Neighbourhood Forum, Brigsteer, 7th Cabinet and Performance meeting, Carlisle, rehearsal Burton, 8th Standards Committee, Kendal, County Show and Broadcast Crooklands,

Performance Scrutiny Carlisle and rehearsal Burton.

But apart from some of the dozen or so training sessions I've been to in the last six weeks most of the work is interesting. Also I drive through some of the best scenery in England (and therefore, in the world) though I sometimes wish that our County HQ was on the southern boundary at Burton and not 60 miles away on the northern edge at Carlisle.

Already, much work is focused on next year's County Budget. In order to avoid 'capping' any increase will have to be pegged at 5%. But to fit ever-rising expenditure caused, often, by new legislation like the Disability Access Act and a 3% pay award for staff our resources will be stretched to the limit. It has been estimated that even to stand still on our service level provision we would have to raise the Council Tax by 8%. Possible economies could mean accelerating amalgamation of schools with falling rolls. At the same time both main Councils are working hard to improve our Comprehensive Performance Assessment. SLDC is now on line for a higher grade while on County I was particularly pleased that the County Libraries have a 'three star rating'. I'm aiming for the ultimate Four Service accolade, which is held only by a handful of authorities. Cumbria had some welcome financial relief when we got an extra £1.6m grant from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister to pay towards the cost of flood damage in Carlisle. Mr Prescott, himself, came to launch our *Carlisle Renaissance* programme. Although he looked like a peppery and rather flabby rhinoceros he was most affable and spent lots of time with flood-displaced





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families most of whom have still not returned home nine months after the disaster. This sorry situation also means that Council Tax is not being paid on 3000 Carlisle houses although their occupants still require at least the same level of Council services. Also three huge Comprehensive Schools are not fully operational and I am told that some properties could take another six months to dry out. So, sadly, some Cumbrians know what it is like for our stricken brethren 'way down in New Orleans'.

There are two more good news stories from my own 'portfolio'. The County Cabinet has endorsed a bid for a £3.75m Lottery Heritage Grant towards a new Cumbria Records HQ in Carlisle, which if we don't have any building delays should give Cumbria one of the finest archives buildings in the Country in 2009. The urge for a new northern county building followed notice to quit from the old office in Carlisle Castle from English Heritage, which has put up the rent from a nominal £100 pa 30 years ago to £100,000 now.

As well as Culture I am responsible for democratic and community development. Our audit has found that there are 325 Village Halls in Cumbria costing on average £3,352 to maintain and that 3000 committee members/trustees raise on average £4,264 to fund them. 40% of halls would like to expand and only 15% say that their activities are dwindling. We hope that the audit trail will enable advice and financial help to be made to the halls which - as in Burton - are, invariably, at the centre of vibrant communities.

At its September meeting the County Council voted by to oppose the Government's proposal to amalgamate Cumbria's Fire and Police services with Lancashire's . The Fire HQ would be at Warrington and the Police HQ would be at Preston. As we already have difficulties convincing the Police HQ at Penrith about the location of Burton I could imagine yet more problems if we were in with Lancashire. Also police resources could be diverted to urban high crime rate areas away from our more law-abiding rural area. The biggest debate concerned The Lake District Planning Board's scheme to investigate World Heritage Site Status for the Lake District. WHS might enhance our tourist and creative industries but members also feared that it could lead to the 'fossilisation' of the National Park with even greater controls on housing development and consequent increased pressure on surrounding areas like ours. I believe we should use our landscape and historical heritage to help regenerate ALL of Cumbria. But as always please let me know what you think. Finally THANK YOU to all the people who wrote and phoned about the need to continue the County Council Grant to the Sandgate Hydrotherapy Pool in Kendal. Public support greatly strengthened the case we made at the relevant meeting, which thankfully voted to continue - with certain safeguards - our contribution to the much-valued pool.

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Burton

Allstars



cover, as we haven't been told).

Allstars on CD

BN was given a rare copy of the first Allstars CD (only three existed at the time) and asked to produce a review. What an enjoyable task this turned out to be! From the opening track of Mo 'twinkle fingers' Witham and Dave Alsop with *Duelling Banjos* to the last track of the late Pete Sandham with *Trashy Women* (taken from a recording made at the very first Allstars concert for the Jubilee celebrations) the sheer quality of performance shines out, as does the excellent job of sound-engineering done by Ian Rock. This 51 minute, 16 track CD would not disgrace any music collection.

The mixture of vocal and instrumental numbers adds interest, and the songs chosen reflect the huge range of interest and talent within the Allstars. Where else would you hear *Cherry Pink* alongside *Mac the Knife*, or *Something Stupid* before *Shake, Rattle and Roll*?

Needless to say, the CD got more than a few plays, not just because we were doing a review of it, and will be in the player often when we get our very own official copy.

As this is a preview copy there is no artwork to scan and show BN readers, but the final version is eagerly awaited (no clues as to what may be on the



"So what else is on there ?" you may ask - well here's the full track listing to whet your appetite ...

- Mo Witham & Dave Alsop - Duelling Banjos
- Marion Plowright - Autumn Leaves
- Cyril Proctor - Cherry Pink
- Bill Whewell - Sixteen Tons
- Barbara Rossi - These Boots are Made for Walking
- Dave Williamson - Mustang Sally
- Mo Witham & Dave Alsop - Nuage
- John McBeath & Wendy Barker - Something Stupid
- Wendy Barker - Perfect
- Denis Wood - Love's Made a Fool of You
- Ray Guy - We've Got to Get out of This Place
- Janie Lancaster - Never Loved a Man
- Paul Rossi - Mac the Knife
- Mo Witham - Shake, Rattle & Roll
- Kelly Witham - You're My World
- Pete Sandham - Trashy Women

A good and varied selection and still plenty more of where it came from for a second (third, fourth?) CD from the greatest 'village band' that we think has ever been brought to life.

In conclusion, don't stand behind the door when this hits the streets or you'll be bowled over in the rush - as you will be bowled over by the CD itself. If you want to know when the CD will be available contact Bill Whewell (782049) or Mo Witham (781447)

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In June 2004 the *Burton Recreation Trust* was awarded £450 towards its netball facilities, and *Pre-School* received £200 for hi-visibility safety jackets and vests for both staff and children crossing the main road between the Hall and the School.

September 2004 saw the revived *Burton Amateur Dramatic Society* successfully seeking help for the purchase of new stage flats. *BADS* were granted the maximum, £1000, available.

At the December 2004 Forum meeting the *1st Burton & Holme Guides* sought support for replacing outdated uniforms and received £220 towards the cost of doing so.

March 2005 saw £450 given to *Burton Memorial Hall* for new small tables to replace the dangerously collapsing ones, whilst at the June 2005 Forum the newly formed *Burton Arts and Crafts Society* requested a donation of £250 for display stands at the inaugural Art Show.

Over the years the *Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum* has given many hundreds of pounds to village groups and societies, enabling activities which otherwise may not have taken place. The grants come from a pot of money allocated by Cumbria County Council and are considered four times a year by the Council after a presentation about the application to the Forum. Only one application per group will be allowed in any one financial year.

There are, of course, rules about which groups may and may not apply, but broadly if you are a non-profit making community group with a committee and constitution then you may apply for up to £1000. New groups and societies may also request a start up grant of up to £250, whilst individual persons representing their county or country may ask for up to £150 to help with such things as training or transport, etc.

Neighbourhood Forums were set up by Cumbria County Council to give local people an opportunity to have a say in policy and decision making. Forums are public meetings which welcome local people, community groups and councillors to discuss issues and recommend action.

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Mark Hudson, CLA President said: "The CLA continues to watch the RPA closely. Indeed we have written to express our concerns over the complete lack of public information on RPA's progress in handling the applications since the closing date on 16th May 2005. We are seeking reassurance that they are on track to make nearly all payments in February and March next year."

CLA urges those affected to note and understand that, unless they return the SP5e with additional information, they will lose the National Reserve application they made in May, which will affect the value of any SPS entitlements they are allocated for the next 5-7 years. RPA is quick to point out also that any delay in responding to their requests for information will cause further delays for the SPS process as a whole, including the definitive establishment of entitlements and so payment for all SPS applicants.

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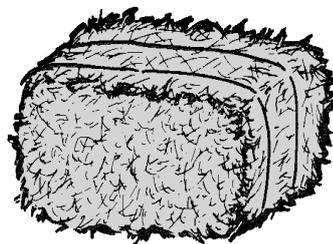
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Editorial

Fillings

No, not the ones the dentist does (though that may have looked better) but the strange 'Quatermas'-like blobs that have appeared on the streets of Burton. Is this an alien life form that has mysteriously chosen to make its home on Earth? Whatever, the reason behind their appearance they are not very effective and we need a lot more to fill all the holes in the pavement. Are they expected to breed and complete the job themselves perhaps?

Green folding stuff

A lot of this has been falling through the letter boxes of Burton houses recently in the guise of the new Parish Council newsletter. This is to be delivered every 3 months to keep us abreast of projects and other matters that the Council undertake on our behalf.

Allstars hit the heights

Well, maybe not the heady realms of stardom but a fine CD of songs that firmly puts them on the recording map. There is a full review on page 18 but nothing beats actually hearing it, so get one of your own and also support local charities.

Vacancy

Having filled one vacancy on the Parish Council after a lengthy process there is now another seat going spare. If you missed the boat last time you have another chance to catch it, so get your skates on and drop a line to the Parish Clerk expressing an interest in joining.

Black Cat

After sightings on the canal bank some months ago there has been yet another one on the road from Burton over to Kirkby Lonsdale. As yet, nobody has taken a clear photograph and as it seems clear that we are very much in the animal's territory it may be a good idea to have a camera ready to shoot when out and about.



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**Burton Out of School Club
for all your Out of School Childcare needs**

New earlier Opening Time!

Monday to Friday

7:30am - 9am £2.50 per session

3:15pm - 6pm £5.50 per session

Concessions available for more than one child

**Telephone 07952 949882
for information and bookings**

Affiliated to Burton Pre School
(Registered charity no. 517138)

COMMUNITY INFO

CHILDLINE
FREEPHONE 0800 1111
KIDSCAPE 020 7730 3300

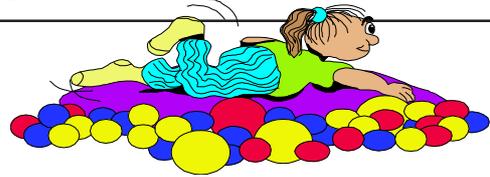
NSPCC Child Protection
HELPLINE
0808 800 5000

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.



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?

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

REMINDER . .

Don't forget to feed the birds now the days are getting shorter & the nights go colder



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>. On the website parishioners may also vote on the current **HOT TOPIC**, leave comments or suggestions on the **FEEDBACK** board, find contact details for the Clerk & Councillors, and access the archive of PC agendas, minutes & reports.

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

Diary and Events

This month's Events - See page 21 for more Meetings and Activities

BURTON MEMORIAL HALL
Management Committee Meeting
Thurs 6th Oct @ 7.30pm in BMH



Holme & District Photographic Society

October Meetings

Holme Village Hall at 8.00 p.m.

- Fri 7th Jessops Open (Entries for Kendal Battle)
- Fri 14th Speaker: Les Holland "The Nile"
Raffle ~ (Entries for Wilkinson's Open)
- Fri 21st No Meeting
- Wed 26th Battle with Kendal at Kendal
- Fri 28th L&CPU Mono Prints

Visitors welcome at all meetings
Further info: Pauline Walton 01524 782991

Holme & District
Flower Club

"Autumn Leaves"

Demonstration by Susan Maddocks

Monday 3rd Oct.- 7.30 p.m.

Preston Patrick Hall

For further information tel. Cally Lawson 781764
New members and visitors always welcome

Tuesday Club
Social Club for over-55's

October Meetings

Tuesday 11th & 25th 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Burton Memorial Hall

New members welcome

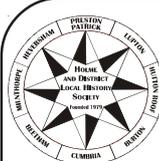


Burton W.I.
Thursday 13th October
at 7.30pm in BMH

"Wildlife in your Garden" John Mounsey

Competition: Photograph of Wildlife
Hostesses: Mrs B Scott, Mrs R Smith

Guests and new members welcome
For further information tel. 781506



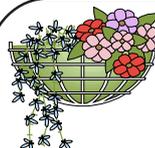
Holme & District Local History Society

Mon 17th Oct 7.30pm @BMH

"Wray Scarecrows"

David Hartnup

Visitors welcome



Borwick & Priest Hutton Gardeners' Club

"Scented Roses"

Iain Billot

Tues 25th Oct at 7.30pm
Borwick & Priest Hutton Memorial Hall

BMH = Burton Memorial Hall

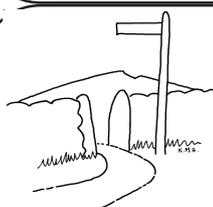
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Next Meeting (open to all readers)
TBA contact Editors for details



BURTON FELLWALKING SOCIETY

October Walks

Sun 2nd @13:00 - Kirkby Stephen
Leader: M Dobson 015242 21828

Wed 12th @13:00 Yealand Storrs & Haweswater
Leader: B Smail 015393 62650

Sat 15th @09:30 Helm Crag & Greenburn
Leader: R Hesketh 781474

All walks: Meet in the Memorial Hall car park to
arrange lifts & share transport to the starting point. *
(less than 5 miles/gentle pace)

Visitors £1.00 Membership £4 from Jan 1st yearly