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Readers' LETTERS

Dear BN

Eye Infection

With reference to your story in the last *Burton News* about 'A child with a serious eye infection linked with dog mess.' The case in question was caused by the Cryptosporidium Parasite which has nothing to do with eye infection and has no proven link to dog mess, the most common transmission being through contaminated water. To many people in the village the dog is a friend and companion and the last thing we want is to make parents paranoid, and to pass that fear onto their children because of unjustified scare stories.

George Isherwood, 4 The Square.

[Editors' Note: Our story was based on information given during the discussion at the February Parish Council meeting. If it has been confirmed that a water supply was the source, rather than dog faeces, we are happy to stand corrected.]

Burton Bowling 100 Club

Winners

March Draw - John Park

Places available for the new season starting on 1st April - contact:

Frank Walton on 01524 782991

Malcolm Brownsord on 01524 781405



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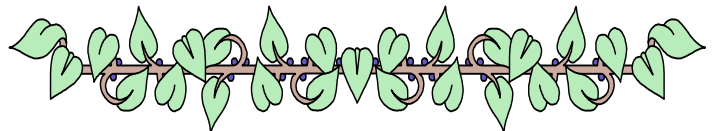
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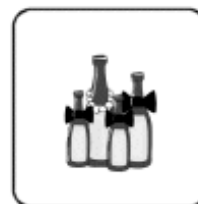
Congratulations Roger (Cloggy's Lad) on your promotion from CSgt RBJ Martin to Company Sergeant Major, currently serving with the KORBR in Iraq. All the best, Dad, Mam and all the family.

Thanks!

Dennis Neill and family would like to thank friends and neighbours for their kindness during his long stay in hospital. He is now home and waiting to go to Preston to be fitted with a new leg. Thank you again.



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Demise of a Signpost

The recent snow at the start of March had an unhappy consequence for the historic signpost at the junction of Tanpits & Station Lanes and Drovers Way. The signpost, which indicated the way to the former Burton and Holme Station, was hit by a van whose driver apparently lost control on the icy road and skidded into the post. The upright was snapped off a couple of feet above ground level and the rest of the sign is in several pieces. The good news is that all the bits were rescued and the signpost is insured. The matter is now in the hands of the Parish Council to be resolved.



The early March snowfall caught us by surprise and made the gardens look magical, whilst causing problems on the roads.



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Burton Amateur Dramatic Society

COLD BLOODED MURDER

This time last year BADS were preparing for their world premiere. Given the size of the audience on both nights word had got out about the first ever performance of *WI Blues*, a play by local playwright John Peel. We used up all the available chairs and after that it was standing room only.

As *Burton News* goes to press BADS are up to their eyes in red herrings! Yes we're rehearsing hard for the forthcoming Burton premiere of *Cold Blooded Murder* our Murder Mystery Night presentation, a play with so many twists and turns it's not so much a Whodunit as a Whydunnit and a Howdunit and it is all down to you the audience to decide.

In order to accommodate everyone - and I'm sure you will all support this brilliant night of entertainment and food - it will be an all ticket affair, sorry no tickets on the night for this one. Therefore tickets will be on sale in the northside entrance hall at BMH each Thursday and Sunday nights from 7.30 until 8pm starting on Sunday 20th April until Sunday 14th May. Tickets will also be available from all BADS members "all the usual suspects" - you know who we are.

Tickets are priced at £10 to include Hotpot Supper and coffee or tea but if you would like to grease the little grey cells with a more potent brew then bring it along yourselves. I hope everyone is arranging their

team, what about each club in Burton putting up a team, or perhaps the gentlemen of the Kings Arms may like to test their powers of deduction: all will be welcomed with open arms and we promise that however many red herrings are floating around the stage there will definitely be none in the hotpot!!

Cold Blooded Murder will be presented for your entertainment on 19th and 20th May at BMH.

You can reach me, Alyson Yates, on 781498 or Anne Nichols on 781306 if you require further info about tickets.

Remember book early to avoid disappointment!

**Read about BADS previous productions
on our website:
<http://bads.burtonweb.org.uk>**

Tim's Hovercraft

Tim Farron, MP for Westmorland & Lonsdale, came to St. James's Church on 16th March. Following a hymn and a prayer, Philip and Janette Dixon from Kendal spoke about a local Christian Support Group for Tim called 'Hovercraft'. Tim then talked about his life so far, his family upbringing, school and college days, coming to Faith and his political career. About 40 people were present and questions were asked about political issues of concern which affect our nation.

J.B.

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Winter is over at last and we can begin to bowl again - wrapped up in double jerseys. The green opened on March 20, having been fertilised, scarified, and mowed twice. The pavilion has been spring-cleaned. Members are in good heart after their triumphant season in 2005. The 'A' team faces tough competition after promotion to Division 2 of the Kendal & District League (Mondays) The 'B' team carries on where they left off at the head of the Rural League (Fridays). The Club will also be playing in the Lancaster and Morecambe League (Wednesdays).

Burtonians please note: Everybody is welcome to use the green, non-members for a mere £1 for as many hours as you like on the day. Come and enjoy fresh air, good company, excellent turf, and birdsong.



Holme & District Local History Society

Trip to Beamish

On Saturday 24 June 2006 the Local History Society is organising an outing to Beamish Open Air Museum in County Durham. The coach will leave Burton at 8.30am and return at about 7.00pm. Cost: Coach - £10.00. Entry to Beamish - under 60 - £11.00; over 60 - £10.00; child 5-16 yrs - £6.00. There are places left which are now open to non-members. If you wish to go - please contact Graham Caley on 782299 or at The Covenant, Vicarage Close before mid-April.

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Burton Ladies Rounders

Please note there will be two practice sessions on Thursday 20th April and Wednesday 26th April 6.00-7.00pm on the field at Burton school. Please try and attend one of them. Your enthusiasm is more important than your ability. For any more information please contact Louise 782311 or Lesley on 782218.

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OUTDOORS

You could hardly be more outdoors than we were one Sunday early in March on the beach at Crosby, where the Mersey flows out into the Irish Sea. A wintry nor'westerly was hustling the frayed flags at the Coastguard Maritime Rescue Station. White crests seethed in a chocolate sea as the tide surged in. Dark showers were starting to rake along the horizon behind a steady procession of shipping which emerges here from the docks, turns north parallel with the shore to follow the markers along the deep-water channel, then west again for Ireland or the Atlantic. A massive ferry, marked NORSEMERCHANT.COM. Container ships and a long low complicated craft like a dredger. One after another, hour after hour.

Down the beach, Liverpool shows itself in ranks of dockside cranes, seven wind turbines twirling their blades, and the massed blocks and towers of the city.

Across the sea, south-west, the fields of the Wirral shine snow-white in the sun. Beyond them the Welsh uplands rise towards Snowdonia.

Anne and I have come in search of the sculptures placed here recently by Antony Gormley, who designed the 'Angel of the North'. After miles of suburbs and garden centres, brown signs direct us

to it: 'Another Place'. Dozens of cars are parked where the road ends. Out in the foaming surf a bather is standing. In this temperature? He must be daft. It's the first piece of the sculpture. Another of the figures is out there amongst the waves with spray bursting white against his head. Each figure is a naked man, hands by his side, feet slightly apart, facing out to sea in a lightly braced position. We walk up to one of them, then on to the next one, while Klipper the black lurcher sprints round and round the sand at top speed and scoots off to play with the many other dogs.

The figure is based on the sculptor's body. He had himself wrapped in plaster-of-Paris and the mould that resulted was cast in iron, one hundred times. The whole group (or family, or clan) has been sited on the shore at Stavanger in Norway, at Cuxhaven in Germany, and in Belgium. They came here last June and will be here till November. Each figure stands on a steel plinth three metres deep. They were sited under the supervision of the Harbour Authority and a notice from the Harbour Master warns shipping about their position.



The sky is louring. People in winter clothing walk briskly along the golden-brown sands and eye the figures curiously, some taking photos, some moving on with little pause. Some of the dogs do what they usually do to lampposts. Now the tall wooden seamark - a fine craft-work in its own right - has surf washing round its foot. As the sea comes within reach, five anglers are leaning their fishing poles on the railing



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and cutting up herrings for bait. A work of art could not be more in the midst of our lives, more suited to a particular place. The rough metal surfaces of each man's body are rusting a little and barnacles encrust their legs (especially on the seaward side), no doubt including a few Norwegian and German barnacles. Sand has drifted up as far as the waists of two of the more northerly figures and the tide has scooped out pools around them.

Unlike the 'Angel of the North' this work at Crosby is unassuming and low-key. On a noticeboard an eloquent statement by Gormley says that he intended something with 'no ideal, no hero', just a middle-aged man 'trying to remain standing and trying to breathe'. It's a perfect idea and it joins other beautiful work of recent years, the dancing Eric Morecambe on the front at Morecambe, for example, and the host of bird sculptures in the Tern Project a little further along the front. They crop up all over: cormorants made of strip iron drying their wings on plinths near Morrisons and the ten-pin bowling hall; painted puffins on steel stanchions; flights of waders in cut-out metal along the railings leading to the Stone Jetty, and on the jetty a stone bird one metre high, hunched on a pillar. Make one of the most inspiring and skilful works ever seen in Britain, a horde of totems celebrating things of our own shore, and they will still remain when Gormley's hundred figures have moved elsewhere else on the coasts of Europe.



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1st Burton Company Boys' Brigade

Success!

Congratulations. In the National Boys' Brigade Table Tennis Competition last year our Team reached the quarter-finals.

Following the recent success in the quarter-finals played at Burton against a team from the 1st Denton (Manchester) Company, our team - Alistair Jones, Simon Gregory and Peter Baxendale - beat our opponents 6 - 3, and is now through to the semi-finals, which will be played away before the end of April. We are very grateful to Chris and Sarah Jones in their training of the team.

The 25th Anniversary of the founding of the 1st Burton-in-Kendal Company will be celebrated on Saturday, 29th April, at the Burton Memorial Hall at 7pm when we will be welcoming back the Revd. M. W. Garner who started the Company with the Captain, Mr. D. J. Mills. We invite all old Boys, friends and supporters to join us as the Boys receive their Awards.

D J Mills
01524 732194

BURTON YOUTH CLUB



Annual General Meeting



The AGM is planned for Wednesday 17th May at 7.30 pm in the Club Room at the Memorial Hall. Any current parents/helpers or members are welcome to attend plus any prospective parents etc. for the forthcoming year.

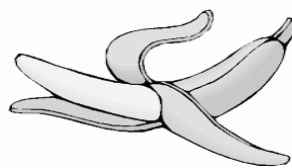
BURTON CHILDREN'S SPORTS COMMITTEE

BIG KIDS DAY OUT CALLING ALL BIG KIDS...



Fancy a go at waterskiing, then a spot of canoeing followed by an all-thrills ride on a travelling banana?

Burton Children's Sports Committee invite the older kids of the village (school years 7-11) for an action packed morning at Pine Lake on Saturday 13th May. 10.00am - 1.00pm - food not included. You pay £10 and we'll cover the rest of the costs. To book a place, get £10 to Louise Barker (782311) by April 21st. Places are very limited. Put it in your diary and ask you parents to drop off and collect you. Do come and join us... it's as easy as falling off a banana!



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Sports Day 2006

**It's World Cup Fever but
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Burton's very own World Cup Draw took place last week in front of an enthusiastic crowd and each street in Burton has now been allocated a World Cup Country for the parade on Sports Day.

Once again, the Sports Committee is offering free booze to the street with the best float. So please do make the effort to get together with your neighbours and create something special out of a trailer, some toilet rolls, a piece of bunting and an old carpet. Well we don't want St James's Drive to walk away with the cup two years running do we?

And remember, the theme isn't football, it's the countries that are taking part in the world cup.

Here's what you've drawn:

- Main St/Mowbray Drive/ Thornleigh Drive/Dalton Lane JAPAN
- Morewood Drive SPAIN
- St James' Drive USA
- Hollowrayne GERMANY
- Vicarage Lane/Close/Glebe Close/Hutton Close ITALY
- Boon Town AUSTRALIA
- Burton Park/Neddy Hill/Drovers Way FRANCE

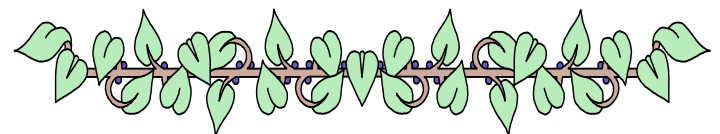
If your street isn't on there, then contact a sports committee member to be allocated a country or join up with another street on the list. Get to know your neighbours and get into the team spirit this sports day.

CAN YOU HELP US?

The Sports Committee needs your help on Sports Day! We rely on volunteers to lend a hand sizzling the sausages, selling the raffle tickets and supervising the kids on the bouncy castle, so if you are able to spare us a few hours then please contact Kirstie on 782351, or Val on 781161, or simply roll your sleeves up on the day and pitch in.



Thanks
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An Opinion...

Comments on the goings-on at the Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL BREAKS RECORD

Despite this meeting incorporating the Annual Meeting, this occasion was remarkable for being surely the shortest on record, at least for the last few years.

Annual Address - The Gateway Project

As promised, one of the key promoters of the Gateway Project, Mr R. Read, gave the traditional guest speaker's talk.

BN readers will probably know this project is a scheme to develop the present site of the Westmorland Agricultural Show into a more permanent exhibition site, thus financing the present annual show. All very laudable. Not so easy to swallow was Mr Read description of the proposal to develop the opposite side of the road into a state-of-the-art Auction mart, combining those of Kendal and Lancaster, with a dual carriageway for access. The plan was held up and waved about, but as usual *An Opinion* couldn't really see it. It seems the whole area along the Crooklands-Milnthorpe road will become far more industrialised, with the further expansion of the Libby site as well, generating increased traffic.

It seemed to A.O. that the plan to add a Tourist Centre to the front of the auction mart was a sort of sop, and hardly relevant.

Miraculously, we were told, there wouldn't be any smell. What sort of animals are these, then? And where is all the effluent going to disappear to?

A question from the floor, asking how the development would affect traffic on the A6070 through Burton had Mr Read floundering, and the answer was vague.

In fact, though Mr R may be a very nice man, it's a pity he didn't gear his talk to the good people of Burton, who he'd come to address. His mention of the

possibility raised by opponents to the scheme, that the mart might go bust, leaving a big opportunity for commercial development - he mentioned IKEA! - left A.O. feeling uneasy. Maybe that's simply because she's bought all her furniture already.

Chairman's Report

As is customary, after thanking the Speaker, the Chairman gave her Annual Report. Hopefully A.O. has detailed most of the PC's achievements and aims throughout the year, so they won't be repeated in this column. The report will almost certainly be published in full in the PC's next quarterly leaflet, so Burtonians will have a chance to read it. Copies of the speech were available at the meeting.

Open Forum

Members of the public get a chance to have their say here. A.O. can only admire the dogged determination of a Certain Member of the Public who regularly attends PC meetings to pursue the problem of the disgraceful and dangerous condition of the pavement particularly between the Royal Hotel and Boon Walks. The Parish Clerk held aloft a dossier of correspondence to and from the highways dept, and all present expressed concern that SLDC had allowed such deterioration to continue.

The highways dept has assured the PC that the matter has priority. Hopefully this is so, or SLDC will be left with a hefty compensation case to settle if a mother and pram end up beneath a passing truck.

Planning Permission

An interesting point was discussed. Is it the duty of the PC to raise objections to a planning proposal if neighbours and other residents have not done so? Now it's A.O.'s belief that it probably is. Isn't it the PC's remit to take the long term view? A house that is thrown into shadow forever, or finds itself confronting a blank stone wall, for example, will be there forever, not just for the occupancy of its present owners, who in any case may be unaware of the plan's

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implications, or may not even have been told of the proposal by the authorities. There's also the consideration that neighbours may not like to raise objections, simply to keep the peace. Readers will have their own views on this.

The Royal Hotel

Planning has been granted for Punch Taverns to go ahead with their ambitious plans for the hotel, subject to the recommendations from the PC. Priority will be given to sorting out the carpark, including the drainage.

Clothing Bank

A proposal for a Salvation Army clothing bank in the Memorial Hall carpark has been refused by the Committee. The PC, after an approach by the Salvation Army, are to ask BMH to reconsider the suggestion.

The Phone in the Square

A PCllr reported that he had contacted BT to ask if Txt facilities could be installed. This has now been done, and Burton, he told the PC, now boasts the only public txt phone in Cumbria. And it's cheaper to use than a mobile!

New Footpaths

The PC agreed to pursue suggestions for three new footpaths, including one on the west side of the A6070, from Church Bank, hopefully, to Clawthorpe. Lane.

Lengthsman

The possibility of having one draws nearer, with new funding agreed by Cumbria CC. Nobody ever mentions what such a person's duties will actually be, but it seems broadly speaking he, or she, will keep the village neat and tidy. So why did a PCllr say at a recent PC meeting that he will only be required during the winter months? A.O. undertakes to follow this up. Or perhaps everyone except her knows already?

A6070 at Holme Park Quarry Exit

It was reported that the unacceptable state of the road here had been to some extent improved, with the road now being swept daily. Wheel-washing equipment is

to be replaced, which should add to further upgrading.

Little Oaks

Four tiny oaks grown by a PCllr from acorns are to be offered to the school for its nature walk. Or, failing, this to plant at Plain Quarry.

Looking back at this month's Agenda, A.O. thought she must have omitted more than usual. But some of the items are ongoing, and haven't made much progress, and others have been deferred. It really was an exceptionally brief meeting. All PCllrs no doubt got home early, to put their feet up and sup their cocoa.

A.S

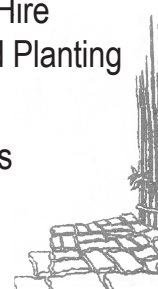


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The Vicar Writes...

What's good about Good Friday?

That's the question I used to ask as a child at Easter time. It puzzled me why we refer to the day on which Jesus died as good. Why not Bad Friday or Sad Friday? For here was a man who had lived a pure and unselfish life, always using his extraordinary power for others and yet who is arrested on false charges and, after a mockery of a trial, is sentenced to death. He is cruelly mocked, flogged, beaten and finally pinned to a wooden cross by 6 inch nails driven through his hands and feet and left there to suffer a terribly slow death. What's good about that?

On one level, the clear answer is nothing. The way Jesus was treated by the Jewish authorities and Romans was really bad. It was wicked and evil. And the suffering Jesus endured on the cross was bad. However, on another level, Jesus' death is good. According to the Bible, the death of Jesus was no accident. This is the moment he was born for. The focus of Jesus' whole life's work was to die for us. He willingly committed himself to this.

At the moment Jesus died, a truly amazing thing was happening. Jesus was taking the punishment that we deserve for our rejection of God. This is how the Bible explains Jesus' death:

For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. (1 Peter 3:18)

On the cross, Jesus, the only good man who has ever lived, died for bad people like us. He was punished so that we could be forgiven. He was condemned so that we might receive mercy. He took on our guilty record, so that we could be declared innocent before God. Jesus experienced hell (God-forsakenness) so that we can enjoy heaven. This is good news for bad people. Jesus received what he did not deserve, our sin and its just penalty, so that we might receive what we do not deserve, forgiveness and eternal life with God. Having received this wonderful gift by trusting Jesus, I now see why the day he died is called, not bad Friday or sad Friday, but Good Friday.

Happy Easter everyone,

Paul

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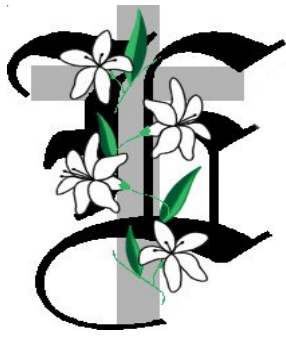
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06.30pm Evening Church Burton

April 9

08.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Burton
09.30am Family Service Burton
11.00am Family Service Holme
06.30pm Evening Church Burton

April 13 Maundy Thursday

07.30pm Maundy Thursday Communion Burton

April 14 Good Friday

10.00am Good Friday Devotional Holme

April 16 Easter Sunday

09.30am Easter Family Communion Burton
11.00am Easter Family Communion Holme
06.30pm Easter Praise Burton

April 23

09.30am Morning Prayer (BCP) Burton
09.30am Memorial Hall Service Burton
11.00am Morning Prayer Holme
06.30pm Holy Communion Burton

April 30

10.00am Joint Family Service Burton
06.30pm Evening Church Burton

Date for your Diary...

The annual parochial church meeting of St. James' Church, Burton, will take place on Wednesday 26th April in the church, beginning at 7.30 pm.

Warton Methodist Church

Borwick Lane, Warton

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Good Friday 11.00 am

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Easter Sunday 10.30 am

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HISTORICAL FOOTNOTE by Roger Bingham

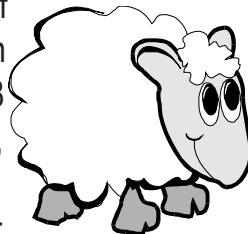
'Fleecing the Flock...'

Lambing time in the fields and the 'lambs tails' catkins dangling in the hedgerows have reminded me of the importance of sheep in local history. Sheep bones found at Watercrock Roman Fort, near Kendal, show that mutton was on the local menu 2000 years ago while a carving of around 200 A.D. from Hadrian's Wall of three men wearing hooded cloaks indicate that garments like the modern 'fleece' have a long fashion pedigree. Later the woollen industry led to Kendal's adopting as its motto 'Pannus mihi Pannis' which is often translated, as 'Wool is our Bread'.

At Burton-in-Kendal in c.1200 'Roger son of Roger' - a doubly good name! - gave to the monks of Cockersand Abbey an endowment of land in the parish sufficient for 32 beasts (cattle), 48 goats or swine and six score sheep. Similarly, an endowment for Burton Church stipulated, in 1459, that 'every new vicar received for the first 2 years after his coming in Tyth in kind or 20d for every lamb due, after which he receives only 10d a lamb'.

In 1759 the vicar's rights to a share of his flock's flocks were spelled out as 'every person within the parish that shears 10 fleeces of wool in one year such person shall first chose two fleeces and then the vicar take one, the first he touches thereout. If he shears nine, eight, seven or six he shall chose three fleeces then the vicar take one the first he touches thereout. If he

shears but five fleeces he shall pay to the vicar half a fleece, and for all under five 1d per fleece, which are to be collected a week before midsummer. For every sheep sold after Candlemas (2nd February) 1d to be paid by the seller. Also due to the vicar for ten lambs dropt in one year within the parish and living at the time of payment 10d for ten lambs, 8d for eight lambs, for one lamb a halfpenny...'. I wonder if these claims are the origins of the saying 'fleecing the flock'? Much of the wool would be spun and woven at home and there is no documentary evidence that either Ewan Mill or Holme Mill (before the nineteenth century) were used for textile manufacture. But other local streams provided power for fulling mills where the loosely woven fabric was pounded to provide a matted material. Burton producers probably used Beetham Mill, described as a 'fulling' mill in 1359.



Mutton was as important as wool. Sheep for slaughter were sold at Burton's Martinmas Fair in November. Often, instead of being preserved by salting, they were cured by smoking. In c.1730 Daniel Clarke saw up to seven sheep carcasses hanging by their hind legs in the big chimneys in the 'fire houses' of Westmorland farmhouses. Perhaps the huge chimneys at Clawthorpe Hall and Dalton Old Hall were used for this purpose.

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animal. In Westmorland in 1894 there were 356,059 sheep compared to 62,935 cattle. But, historically, they were not particularly valuable. In the inventory of the goods of Richard Thexton of Farleton in 1729 his sheep were valued at £6 compared to 'five cows, one calf and four twinters at £30'. (A 'twinter' was an animal, which had survived two winters). In 1738 the sheep of John Skyrin of Lupton were valued at £12 compared to £76 for his cattle and £2 for his 'dung and pultery'.

Until c.1750 local sheep were a lanky type unlike the squatter Herdwick sheep of Lakeland. They were 'horned, dark or gray-faced, thick pelleted, with course, strong hairy wool'. Only the older sheep stayed on the tops during the winter as they could 'endure the severity of the storm or falls of snow'. Even then it was chancy as a third of Westmorland sheep died in the winter of 1793. The best local sheep were the Silverdales, which were white faced with close wool, which, it was asserted, in 'Burton and Holme could yield a stone of wool at 8d a pound. In 1851 Jonathan Binks said that the Warton Cragg 'or Silverdale' sheep, occupied 'the limestone district surrounding Warton Cragg and extending to Silverdale and Farleton Knott, the herbiage of which is fine'. They provided only five pounds of wool but, he added, they 'produce good lambs and are excellent milkers'. Later pedigree breeds included Leicesters and in 1877 Messrs Cock of Coat Green, Dalton won all three prizes in the Leicester tup lambs class. In 1879 Mr. J. Cock won again with a 'wonderfully pure bred Leicester ram'. Long wool sheep mainly of the Wensleydale type were also bred and in 1900. 'Mr

Dobson of Burton took the palm for the best sheep shown at Kendal'. In 1904 Mr R. Parker of nearby Moss End took all nine prizes in the shearing Shropshire ram class. By then, however, half-breed, 'speckled' faced or Kendal roughs rather than newer pure or ancient local breeds predominated around Burton. They were reared mainly for meat so that, then, as now, the lively lambs of springtime quickly became 'Spring Lamb'.



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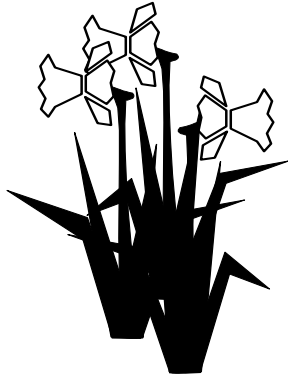
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St George's Day 23rd April

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Art of the First World War

The March lecture to the Lunesdale Decorative and Fine Arts Society, given by Mr. David Hartnup NDD ATD, on the pictures painted and drawn by the artists of the 1914-18 war, illustrated graphically the awfulness of war - more so than photographic images could ever have done! Mr. Hartnup's grandfather had told him much of the conditions of the war, and he himself has been to the battle sites on many occasions and illustrated most of the scenes depicted in the lecture. His descriptions of what the artists had made of the war showed great insight into the terrible and varied conditions they experienced.

David showed many pictures by Nevinson - a pacifist who worked behind the lines collecting the dead and working with the Red Cross - pictures of gas victims, enormous bomb explosions, and yet the sheer boredom of inaction during the day, (the real intense action being at night). Nevinson varied his style from semi-cubism to extreme realism, but in every case evoked the dreadfulness of the dirt in the trenches, the boredom and the devastation in the countryside. This country-wide devastation was echoed by the Nash brothers - Paul and John - although there was always a sense of optimism in Paul's charcoal drawings and paintings, often manifested by a large sun with outstretched and upward rays of light. Kennington, another artist whose pictures were shown, evoked his war by means of extreme graphic realism: his picture of a sniper he had met in a bar, showed with intense feeling the loneliness and concentration on the face of the soldier. David had

less time for the gentleman artist, Orpen, who appeared to have a charmed war, with chauffeur, mistress and the best sleeping accommodation - and indeed his pictures did not have the immediacy of the others. However, most if not all of these artists did experience the rigours of the war in good measure, and their experiences can be felt in their very graphic accounts of what they saw and heard first hand.

Fanny Leech, 015242 72009

Burton Memorial Hall Golden Jubilee Celebrations

At a recent meeting of the Hall committee, the events to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the BMH were discussed and a provisional timetable drawn up.

Saturday 8th July will see the Opening Ceremony, followed by a dance in the evening. Other confirmed events include a drawing workshop (Mon 10th), a BN pagesetter session & a badminton taster session (both Tues 11th), indoor bowls try-out and guides taster (both Wed 12th), the W.I. will welcome guests at their session as will the Boys' Brigade (Thur 13th), a watercolour workshop and a table tennis intro session and competition follows (Fri 14th), and the Allstars will bring the week to a close with an all-ticket concert on Saturday 15th July. During the whole week the History Society will have a display on the stage area. Other groups and societies are still discussing their contributions to the celebrations. More details as we have them.

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Cultural Pride

'Pride cometh before a fall' underlies my recent activities. In March I was boasting that Cumbria Libraries (which form part of my County Council 'Cultural Portfolio') had been awarded Four Star or 'excellent' status. After this the situation deteriorated leading to a grumbling debate and a loud response from me at the County Budget Council. The ostensible reason was that opposition councillors contended that £100,000 of 'efficiency savings' required by the Cabinet would be deducted from the £158,000 spent on the 20 small libraries designated for 'Review'. The £100,000 saving, actually, will be coming from the over all budget for the Culture Department of £6,182,000+ income (from Library sales of CD's, fines etc.)

'Closures' were debated by a Scrutiny Committee Call-in, which is rather like a Parliamentary Committee of Enquiry. Here, I explained that no closures had yet been considered as neither the Review had started nor had the enquiry criteria been finalised. I also stressed that it is our bounden duty continually to appraise our services in order to see if they remain 'fit for purpose'. Sadly in the last few years many smaller libraries have seen a drop in use. One branch

only had 25 registered adult members in 2004-05. Possibly they might be better served by a Mobile Library or a Library Link in an 'open all hours' shop.

I also complicated the debate by mentioning that, among others, our Lower Kentdale County Division does not have a single Library even though it includes Burton, Holme, Endmoor, Heversham, Preston Patrick, Hutton Roof, Mansergh and Lupton. This instantly started up a hare that I was about to take libraries from well-provided areas to plug gaps in 'my own' area. Though I stressed the current Review was about existing Libraries and not about planning a Library for Burton I don't think I convinced everyone. Even so the Call-in Committee agreed for the Review to go ahead. Otherwise Libraries are going well. Our World Book Day launch on 2nd March was televised and our India and Africa 'events' were well attended.

State of the Roads

For other Councillors, roads have been the most contentious topic. Kendal traffic, yet again, led to a crowded and noisy meeting at which calls were made to stop the pedestrianisation scheme. It will still go ahead but the county has appointed a special 'officer' to liaise with traders and the district and town councils. Also there will be more subsidies for the Kendal bus services, threatened with closure by Stagecoach.

Locally the Hutton Roof to Burton road is to be repaired and resurfaced and the so-called 'Wild Duck Lane' across the Mosses is to be surface dressed. I, along with the Parish Council, continue to press for routine repairs which include signs for the junctions

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of Main Street with, respectively, Vicarage Lane, Morewood Drive and Dalton Lane plus road markings at Clawthorpe and signs 'to drivers of walkers up Dalton Lane'. AND I wont let 'them' forget that the Main Street pavements are on the repair programme for 2006-2007.

Postal Address Change

My enquiries about possibly substituting a Cumbria postal address for the current 'Via Carnforth' are at stalemate until the Postal authorities respond. But thanks to the many people who have expressed an interest: most would like 'Cumbria' or even 'Westmorland'. I hope to report progress next month.

Hospital Ward to Stay Open

Happier news includes, that following all our protests, Ward 4 for mentally ill people at Kendal Hospital may remain open. Also Sandgate Hydrotherapy Pool has been helped by a £38,000 grant from the South Lakeland Area Committee.

Fair Trade County


The County Council has now made Cumbria England's second 'Fair Trade County'. I attended the launch in Keswick where we were told that fair-trade goods have risen from three in 2001 to over 200 now. We were told that if we buy 'fair trade' coffee from Ethiopia we are not just being humane but we might also be saving on foreign aid for famine relief. Reference to supporting Indian 'workers and farmers co-operatives' (which have a controversial history), led me to get an assurance that the county is sticking to its 'buy local' policy.

Correction

I was wrong last month about BUS PASSES when I reported that people over 60 could travel free in Cumbria and North Lancashire. In fact the new rules say that people over 60 can travel by service bus FREE throughout South Lakeland between 9.30am and 11pm. Elsewhere in Cumbria and in North Lancashire it will be half price.

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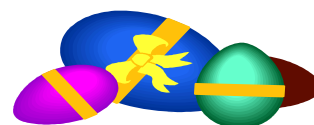


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Thursday 13th April

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Competition: A Hatpin

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Tuesday Club

Social Club for over-55's

April Meetings

Tuesday 11th & 25th
2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Burton Memorial Hall

New members welcome



Burton Art Group

Mondays 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Burton Memorial Hall

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Holme & District Local History Society

**Monday 10th April at 7.30pm
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"Hiring Fairs"

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Visitors welcome

Holme & District Flower Club



"A Teesdale Journey"

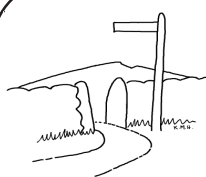
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April Walks

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C Horsford 782493

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Holme Village Hall at 8.00 pm

April Meetings

- Fri 7th Annual & Summer Competitions
Tue 11th SLPIC Knockout Competition
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Fri 14th No Meeting
Fri 21st AGM
Thu 27th Annual Dinner at The Smithy, Holme
7.00pm for 7.30pm ~ Raffle

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Further info: Pauline Walton 01524 782991

Lunesdale Decorative & Fine Arts Society 'Celtic Crosses'

Peter Osborne BA AD MA

Tuesday 16th May

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Borwick Village Hall

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Editorial...



In like a lion...???

The snow at the start of last month seemed to catch many people unawares. Within a couple of hours the village looked like a Christmas card scene - a joy to those of us who like taking photographs but not so good for people who have to travel in it. The historic signpost on the corner of Tanpits and Station Lanes was the victim of an accident when it was hit by a runaway (or should that be slideaway?) vehicle. The post was badly damaged but should be repairable, as was the vehicle. We do hope that the driver and passengers did not sustain any injuries. As this editorial is being written it is a cold, grey, windy day more reminiscent of November than Spring, but let us hope the old saying is true and that March came in like a lion but went out like a lamb.

Easter Events

Lots of activities are taking place over the Easter Holidays - the annual Daffodil Show at the Kings Arms is well-known to most villagers, and is always worth supporting as the profits from the Show benefit the Guides and Brownies groups in the village. If you fancy something a little different over the Easter weekend, why not pop along to the County Showground at Crooklands, where this year's Annual National Trailboat Festival is to take place. It's a great way to learn more of our waterways heritage and find out about the planned restoration of the Northern Reaches of the Lancaster Canal. If you have never been on a canal boat you can try that as well, and there are loads of fun activities for children under the WOW passport scheme as well as entertainment for grownups.

Thank You

And it is a big thank you, to our team of stalwart distributors who turn out every month to bring you *BN*, regardless of the weather. They've had some chilly conditions to deliver in, and am sure they, like us, are looking forward to more sunshine and warmer days. Thank you also to Tim & Elaine for being our collection point here in the centre of the village. Happy Easter to you & to all our readers.

AN & BJM



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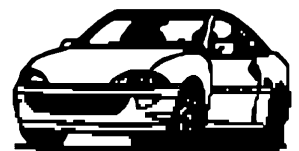
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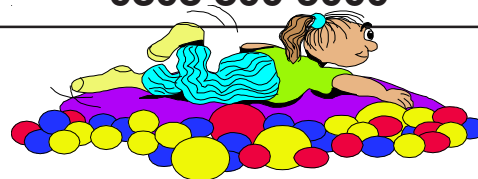
NSPCC Child Protection
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Community Transport **South Lakeland**

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?

Cumbria County Council
Highways Hotline
0845 6096609

If you find a problem with roads or footpaths in Burton please contact the Highways Hotline and report it.

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

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
Police non-emergency	0845 33 00 247
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

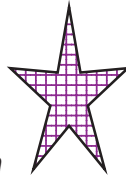
This month's Events - See page 21 for more Meetings and Activities

The Allstars Annual GIG

In the Memorial Hall

Friday 21st April

Saturday 22nd April



Tickets £8 see posters or from
from Bill Whewell, Knott View

"Annual Daffodil Show"

Easter Sunday, 16th April

Kings Arms, Burton

Proceeds to Guides and Brownies

For Class Details See
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Lunesdale Decorative & Fine Arts Society

'The Garden: A Reflection of its Time'

Mrs. Marilyn Elm BA AD MA

Tuesday 18th April

Lectures start promptly at 2.30 pm

Borwick Village Hall

Visitors & new members welcome

Burton Amateur Dramatic Society

presents a Murder Mystery Night with Hot Pot Supper

COLD BLOODED MURDER

Friday 19th & Saturday 20th May

Burton Memorial Hall

All-Ticket Admission - £10 per head - Book Now!

Watercolour Workshop

In aid of The Good Samaritan
Orphanage, India



Saturday 29th April

Burton Memorial Hall (Reception Room)

9.30am – 12 noon : Cost - £7.50

Bring your own materials, but some
equipment will be available to borrow

Tel. Gill - 01524 782 402 for more
information and a booking form

BMH = Burton Memorial Hall

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Annual Meeting

Monday 24th April at 7.00 pm

Club Room, Burton Memorial Hall

All welcome

Inland Waterways Association Diamond Jubilee

National Trailboat Festival

15th - 17th April - 10am to 5pm (4pm on 17th)

Northern Reaches of the Lancaster Canal &
the Westmorland Showground, Crooklands

Admission : Adults £3

Accompanied children free

Events, activities, entertainment

Wild Over Waterways passport for children

Trade stands including Made in Cumbria

Take a ride on a trip boat

See trailboats from all over the country

Bar & catering on site

Milnthorpe Steel Band

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Festival Chairman: 01257 274440

Press/publicity officer: 01204 844 671

Boat/camping entries: 01946 820875

Trade enquiries: 01539 536421

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Next Meeting (open to all readers)
Monday 24th April at 7.00pm in BMH