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This time my thanks are shared with Doreen, my mum-in-law, and go to everybody for being so thoughtful when we suffered the loss of Denise, who passed away on 1 March.

I can't begin to say how very much we both appreciated the kind words of sympathy, the offers of help and the host of cards which Doreen and I both received. It doesn't take the pain away, but God knows, in some measure it makes it that much easier to bear.

We count ourselves lucky to live in a community such as Burton, surrounded by so many good people, and would both like to say once more, thank you for all your help and support at this difficult time

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Burton Vicars

With reference to the memories of a Burton vicar's wife I have already received a photo of the Rev Joseph Benedict Phillips, vicar 1953-59 at Burton. To complete the collection of photos of Burton vicars, for the local history society's archives, can anyone lend me photos of the following:

Rev Donald Herman 1953 - c.1963
Rev Aubrey Cunliffe Sutcliffe 1936 - c.1953
Rev Robert William Britton 1919 - c.1922

I will take copies and return them promptly.
Kath Hayhurst, 01524 781613

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As most of you already know, Burton Post Office is on the list of offices that P.O. Ltd. intends to keep in the network.

This is still only provisional; the proposals are now to be put to public consultation. We imagine though, that the focus of the consultation will be on the offices earmarked for closure.

This "six-week" consultation phase will, in our case, last longer than six weeks since it overlaps the period of local elections and will be suspended during that time. It is due to end 27 May 2008.

While we are all delighted with the current position for our own and your sakes, we wish the post offices earmarked for closure the best possible result during the consultation period.

Once again we thank you for your support, we were touched by the very genuine expressions of pleasure that we have received over the past week. We believe that, with everyone's help, we can continue to develop Post Office services and thus ensure its survival for years to come.

Akis, Barbara, Jan, Tracie, Veronica & Gill,



**2008 Round Britain
Challenge**

The March issue of the Burton News carried an item about Jonny Moore's proposed solo sail around Britain.

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OUTDOORS

I never thought I would find a place a mile or two from Burton which seemed so like another country. If you leave the Hutton Roof road just after the way to Hen Ridding, you at once come across what must be the furthest south lime-kiln in Cumbria, the furthest south woodland, and for that matter the furthest south yellow-and-black notice saying 'POACHING IS A RURAL CRIME' illustrated with images of a stag and a leaping salmon. Anywhere thereabouts you are no more than a mile or so from the Westmorland/Lancashire boundary. It wriggles along between Borwick and Docker, near the railway line from Carnforth to Clapham/Settle/Leeds. To the south, Lancashire and the whole of England, its lowlands and its cities. It reminds me of the long view south from Aberdeen which always discomfited me as a boy because it looked like the future - brightly lit, wide open, with none of the cosy, familiar features of home.



The kiln has an intact back wall finely built of gritstones, reminding us that here we're on the joint between the limestone of Burton Knott and Farleton Fell and the fine-grained grit, running north-west out of Yorkshire, which was quarried for millstones near Hutton Roof. The track climbs past very old hawthorns with trunks like the tensed muscles of ageing wrestlers - remnant

of a hedge which is no longer a division between fields. By now the pastures are unfenced. The place feels as open and billowing as Wyoming (not that I've ever been there). Sheep wander, munching, and shreds of their wool caught on thorns and bits of wire shiver in a bitter sou'westerly blowing out of Morecambe Bay.

By now you could be anywhere. All is exposed and wide-open. Vistas of familiar places heave up at unexpected angles - Warton Knott, Barbondale, Ingleborough with its great square head hull down in the distance. A padlocked gate bars the obvious way down into the woods round Dalton Hall and to keep to the right-of-way you zig eastward towards Lunesdale, then zag south again towards Clougha above Lancaster. The path skirts a pond full of watercress in a shallow dip - perhaps one wellspring of the Keir which slowly gathers thereabouts for its

short flow into the sea. The little tarnlet is as beautifully an origin, a source, as the 'small natural springs edged with mossy sandstone and full of cattails and wild watercress' which in the stories of the Navajo, Iroquois, Cherokee, and Shoshone were Emergence Places - all life first came out of them, deer and horned toads, coyotes and humans.

It's strange to think that a much more powerful water is now flowing a few yards beneath your feet. The wood on the left (New Close Coppice) has a metal gate opening into it with nine vertical rods, hinged on

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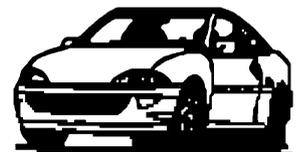
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handsomely chiselled sandstone. You can see them all up and down the country. The pipeline from Thirlmere to Manchester runs this way, tunnelled through in 1885-1894. The water runs by gravity and takes two days to reach its terminus. The story of its building is a vivid, sometimes riotous chapter in our history. At Lupton, after a fight between Irish and English workers, three men were left lying, bloodied, on the sawdust floor of the pub and one man was dead after 'a blow on the head from a spittoon'. John Hayhurst recalls from his boyhood on the farm at Badgergate that when they opened up the tunnels to overhaul the pipes, he and his friends used to climb into the manholes and whizz down the pipe on home-made bogeys.

As it happened I'd been studying the waterworks at Thirlmere a few days before and had been struck by the elaborate 'castles' that the Victorians built for their valve houses and straining wells, complete with battlements and arched timber doors. And sure enough, in another quarter-mile, now coasting downhill towards Raymond Blades's farm at Hill Top, I came upon another of these fortresses with fancy sandstone coping, doors like a Norman keep in a Robin Hood film, and a coat-of-arms

fore and aft with the motto 'Concilio et Labore': the Keer North Well Valve House.

By now the right-of-way was hard to follow. By the time I completed the walk two days later by coming up from Hill Top on Docker Lane, I had counted four right-of-way notices broken, snapped off, or lying in the mud nearby. Weather? Or sabotage? I did my best to set them up again where they could be seen by anyone else who fancies this surprising walk to the limit of our patch.

STOP PRESS:- Another polecat was lying dead on the road last month near the gateway to Curwen House; Barbara Tomlinson on Main Street saw one scampering over her garden wall; and a friend from Lunesdale driving towards Newby Bridge saw one run across the road in front of her car.



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Roger Reports On....

District & County Matters

The 2008-09 Budget process is now complete with South Lakeland's proposals being approved on 28 Feb. SLDC's General Fund Budget for 2008-09 amounts to £14,581,800 which will result in a 3.4% increase in the Council Tax for District Services which will be 0.7% lower than the current rate of inflation - or so I'm told. The District rate is just around 11% of what we pay altogether as the Council Tax is made up of contributions to the Cumbria County Council - nearly 75% - (up this year 3.9%), the Police Authority 12% (up 4.9%), and the Parish Precept - about 2%. The aggregate increase will be 4%, entailing a rise per week of £7.90 for a Band D dwelling. Although SLDC's tax rise is the lowest for over ten years I supported a proposal that there should be no increase in the Council Tax and that the zero level should be achieved by greater efficiencies and by drawing on reserves. SLDC's reserves now amount to about 23% of the Budget. At one time 5% was considered sufficient for contingencies and, indeed, in the most recent crisis of the 2001-02 Food and Mouth epidemic, when I was Chairman of the Council, extra costs were met by reserves and funding from Central Government. Similarly the County Council's costs during the 2005

Carlisle floods were also met from a 5% contingency fund. In the Budget debate I wondered if there was a conflict between Local Authority regulations and for instance Charity Law. With Charities like our Burton Educational Trust we are duty bound to spend over 90% of our annual income on the charity's objectives and not stack away an undue amount for contingencies. The budget did take into account a provision for a nationally negotiated pay award of 2.5% and a 1% increase in pension contributions. Local improvements should result from the County Councils South Area Committee allocating £10,000 pa to each County Councillor in their division. Perhaps we could use some of this extra money to complete our programme for signs and roadside maintenance.

On flooding the County has now had a camera survey of the drainage pipe behind Tanpits Lane and have done some temporary clearing but a wider pipe is to be installed in the summer. As a notoriously 'green' councillor I am happy to report that South Lakeland's recycling rate is now approximately 40% and will easily meet the national targets. At Kirkby Lonsdale over 250,000 plastic bottles were collected in January and I have hopes that the scheme will be extended to all our villages. Thanks to the cooperation of the Salvation Army with SLDC, 350 tonnes of clothing and books have been recycled in the last two years. This is equivalent to over 35 refuse vehicle loads that may otherwise have gone into landfill. Also on green issues the County Council has clarified its policy on 'Wild Flowers on Public Rights of Way' where strimming is done. On limestone paths like ours the current width is one metre and on other areas two metres. Also the

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times of cutting verges will vary between summer and autumn cutting depending on the type of flora. But it helps if we all keep an eye on what happens. At Hutton Roof they once got two lanes mixed up and strimmed a bank of purple orchids in the spring and mowed down a beautiful sward of meadow sweet in August. If there are any special areas you want to conserve please let me know - and also any parts which need tidying up. The trouble is that one person's linear wild flower meadow is another's untidy bedraggled road side. On footpaths I am pressing for further maintenance which will be carried out on Slape Lane when the terrain dries out and is not so 'slape'.

Also 'happily' an SLDC survey has found that 83% of people were happy with the local health service. 61% of us say we eat 5 portions of fruit and vegetables a day but 8% considered themselves obese and 14% of males drank 21 units of alcohol per week and 12% of women 14 units. 27% smoked cigarettes which is about a third of the figure 50 years ago.

South Lakeland house prices now average £191,065 against an average district income of £19,500. Our own Boon Town scheme, now nearing completion, will provide three 3-bed and two 2-bed houses for sale on a shared ownership bases where you can buy up to about 75% of the property and rent the rest. There will also be two 2-bed bungalows for rent only. All homes will be subject to a Section 106 agreement restricting occupation to locals only. After 20 years of agitation the authorities now accept my contention that if you come from around Burton and happen to move just into Lancashire you are still local. Please let me know

if you need help. The relevant helpline is 01539 797773 (SLDC - Lucy Reynolds) or for allocation advice phone 0800 358 1400.

Finally may I remind you that in the DISTRICT Council elections on 1 May, you can vote for TWO candidates and not just one as previously. This is because Burton and Holme are now part of a two-member ward being linked with Preston Patrick, Hutton Roof, Lupton and Mansergh. In this way we are similar to the two-member Arnside and Beetham Ward. In the PARISH elections you can vote for NINE candidates.

Best wishes - as always

Roger

Affordable Housing at Boon Town

The council has an application process for people wishing to buy a low-cost home. To qualify you must have a housing need, have a local connection, and be unable to afford to buy a home on the open market.

For new schemes such as Boon Town, an advert will be placed in the local press advising when the homes are due to be sold. At that point prospective buyers must complete the Council's Affordable Housing application form. If there are more applicants than houses the Council will provide a priority list for the house-builder (based upon applicants' needs.)

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The Diary of an Eco-Worrier

No prizes for points

Once upon a time I had my weekly supermarket shop down to a fine art. Not any more. In an ever-warming world, not even the purchase of a sausage is a simple process. Today I stand over the frozen food counter holding my usual selection of pre-cooked Weight Watchers meals. But something is stopping me putting them in the trolley. My Personal Carbon Counter. And no it's not Carbonlite. And no I'm not having an affair. I curse under my breath and put the boxes back. Then I pick them up again. Then I put them down. Unable to make up my mind, I shuffle around the counter. Now I look like I need the toilet. It used to be so clear cut. In the past I could dash around with a trolley in half an hour, buying everything the Carboncopies need to keep them alive and healthy, and everything I need to keep me under ten stone in weight. Having 'found' my thinner self after three lots of childbirth, I've been obsessive about counting points.

But that was before I visited the supermarket with a carbon footprint specialist. Now carbohydrates are no longer the enemy. I'm now resolved to count a different kind of carbs; the carbon emissions clocked up by the manufacture, processing and delivery of our food. That's a whole other set of points from the ones clocked up by eating too many crisps, and not quite so easy to calculate either. A Weight Watchers Chicken Tikka packaged meal used to put six points on the fridge

door chart. Simple, easy to calculate and written on the box. But tot the same dish up in carbon points and it's... a lot of points. For a start it's been packaged twice, once with plastic, then with cardboard. Then it's been cooked twice, or it will have been by the time I get it into my stomach. And there's not very much food in it, which means you have to eat other things with it to feel satisfied. Or I do anyway. It's not exactly locally produced. And it's meat, which means the animal will have had to be fed and kept in a warm place before meeting its fate at the hands of a Weight Watcher butcher.

I try to calculate how many carbon points that might be and fail. So I abandon the dinner. Fruit and vegetables you would think would be more simple. But they're not. I know where each fruit is coming from, but if it isn't grown locally I have no idea whether it's been air freighted or got here by ship. And as it's winter, there aren't many local fruits available. For the further flung foods my adviser told me to opt for fair trade wherever possible, so I pile some bananas into the trolley. I move to the lettuce. The words of my friendly carbon adviser ring in my ears, "Now that could be a disaster area," he said as I reached out to grab a bag of the ready washed stuff. "It's processed more than it needs to be and packaged unnecessarily. You might get some vitamins, but practically no calories. Just consider where it's come from and how much you'd have to eat to sustain yourself." I put the bag back on the shelf. Until that moment, the activity of lettuce consuming seemed a thoroughly happy, healthy, green thing to do. But evidently it isn't always. "There's a good chance



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it's been flown from Florida," my fellow shopper pointed out, "Air freighting lettuce has surely got to be the world's most pointless activity."

These days as I move around the supermarket, I'm much more aware of how much things are packaged. Why is cereal both bagged and boxed? Why are cakes individually wrapped then boxed as well? Why are so few brands of toilet paper recycled? Why isn't more washing powder eco-friendly? "Have you brought your own bags?" asks the checkout assistant when I finally make it to the till. Have I brought my own bags? Like Russian dolls the Bags for Life tumble out of a holdall.

At home I tell Carbonlite how confusing it all is. I'm also ashamed that my desire to be thin is still outstripping my desire to be green. "What do I do?" I ask him. "Actually, I think I might be able to help," he says, producing a manual from the shelf. "Grow our own food?" I read from the cover. "But we haven't got a garden." "We don't need one," he replies. He opens the book at a square of earth, only four foot by four foot, growing sixteen different vegetables. "...only thing is, you'll have to pop back to the supermarket to buy a trowel."



SLDC Recycling News

In April we will introduce green waste collections at an additional 11,000 properties and also change collections from bin liners to wheelie bins in the area around Bowness, Windermere, Ambleside and Grasmere.

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It is almost 5 years since we started the process of introducing kerbside recycling in South Lakeland and recycling is now a part of the daily routine for tens of thousands of residents, and visitors, many of whom previously didn't recycle at all.



Many readers will already be aware that in South Lakeland we now recycle millions of newspapers, magazines, bottles and cans every year and the amount of waste recycled and composted has gone from being around 10% to over 40% of the total collected. An additional benefit from the service change is that using wheelie bins means that far less plastic is sent to landfill. With around 11,000 households using 2 or 3 bin bags a week for their waste by converting to the use of wheelie bins around a million plastic bin liners are year will be saved from going to landfill.

We hope that very soon around half the waste generated in South Lakeland will be recycled or composted. That will be a major achievement, only made possible by the enthusiasm shown by people in the district to make changes in their own lives to reduce the damage done to the environment by waste and using the recycling services provided by the Council.

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An Opinion...

Comments on the goings-on at the
Parish Council

BARRY IS OUR DARLING?

Burtonians might have thought that inviting Barry Jackson to give their Parish Council AGM address would be an enlightening experience. And so, in a way, it proved to be. Mr Jackson is SLDC's Planning Officer. Any sting that might have been anticipated in the questions and discussion that were promised after the talk had already been drawn by assuring Mr J. that the talk need only be on 'the mechanics' of Planning. Nothing controversial. In fact the gist of the talk - which turned on the Govt White Paper "Where Planning Should Go" (!!) turned out to be very controversial indeed. But it's possible that those in the sparse audience were concentrating on when it was going to end more than on the serious import of the topic he'd chosen to present.

Once again it seems Govt is putting powers in place to relieve itself of the irritation and expense of public protest and appeal against projects dear to itself. - the fifth runway at Heathrow was cited as a case in point. Only major projects come into this category, we were assured - not, for example local schemes like, for e.g the Gateway Project. But who, ponders A.O. is to decide what is a major project and what isn't? Isn't this the edge of a rather nasty wedge?

Mr Jackson, possibly forewarned, adopted the tactic so effectively employed recently by Alistair Darling in the House of Commons i.e. if you bore your listeners

and go on long enough, they will be too stunned to take much action. He went steadily through the Govt paper, reading out such familiar phrases as "streamline further", "make it easier", "simplify", "more efficient". In other words, make more cuts, and keep that interfering animal, the voter, as far away as possible.

A new body will be created (oh no, not another gravy train?) designed for "Infrastructure Planning" Who will appoint the members? - never got a chance to ask. Possibly the most disturbing, even sinister phrases came at this point - "...takes it out of the public domain....out of the political arena." A.O. thought briefly about this and didn't like the sound of it, but it was soon obfuscated by the next wave of quoted phrases. But A.O. warmed to B.J. when he claimed he thought one part "was unworkable." But by this time she was so confused she can't remember what exactly he thought wouldn't work. It was good to hear his point of view at last, though - like one of the crocuses in a glass vase on A.O.'s windowsill peeping through after three months taking up space in the fridge.

The talk was billed as lasting 15 mins. After 30, A.O. thought she heard the gentle sound of rather refined snoring. Two PCllrs conferring in a corner may well have been making a book on when it would end. The Chairman tactfully reminded B.J. of the time, and the talk belatedly came to a close, so not much time for questions or discussion, which A.O. suspects was the object of the exercise. Mr Jackson closed with the words "all will be revealed." But it's A.O.'s guess that it probably wont.



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Chairman's Report

This was mercifully brief and to the point, dwelling on key matters with which the PC had been concerned throughout the last year. Most of these have been covered by the Quarterly bulletins throughout the year, and have been reported by either Burton News or in the Westmorland Gazette.

1. As from May elections, Burton, Holme, Hutton Roof, Lupton and Preston Patrick will form one ward for South Lakeland and will be represented by two Cllrs.
2. Planning applications dealt with have decreased to 25 this year, from 39 the previous year.
3. Cumbria CC and SLDC have agreed to a closer working relationship since CCC failed in its bid to be a Unitary Authority.
4. The Chairman thanked Dist Cllr Bingham for his input. He also thanked all PCllrs, and the Clerk, Charles Dale. He also thanked "the indefatigable ladies of the press." Well, thanks for that, Paul. Space forbids further coverage of this report, and doesn't really do it justice (see what you get for being nice!!)

Public Forum

First, a pleasant surprise. PC Suart sent a Police Report of local incidents (and an apology for previous failures to do so.) These were listed by the PC Chairman:

1. Theft of a wallet from a house.
 2. Theft of a 4ft chimney-pot, and a cement sink.
- PC Suart doesn't waste his time on detail. So that's all.

Boon Town Saga (cont)

With the support of Dist Cllr Bingham, and other PCllrs who'd visited the site, residents of Boon Town gave us colourful descriptions of the sheer disruption to their lives at present due to the building of the new houses. They pointed out that the carpark is virtually unusable, being a morass with the sets all sunken, and contrary to promises given, heavy building machinery parked on it. The road itself is unfit for children, who have nowhere else to play. Drains are sinking, a mains stopcock oozes brown water when it rains, and sewers are blocked. Cllrs who had visited the site appeared to be in full agreement. After discussion, the PC asked the Clerk to write to Impact Housing, and to the builders, Thos. Armstrong. All agreed that the site manager tried to be cooperative but things seem to have got beyond his control.

Other Matters

1. The Forthcoming Local Elections
The Chairman reminded PCllrs that they should submit their nomination papers to the Electoral Registrar in good time before the deadline - 4 April. This obviously applies to any other Burtonian who hopes to stand for the Parish Council (come on, Burtonians!!)
2. Protecting Playing Fields
A PCllr circulated a pamphlet from Fields in Trust (formerly the National Playing fields Assoc). He hopes they may be helpful in securing the remainder of the Boon Town field in perpetuity. The Clerk is to write for further information.

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Reports

1. Quarry Liaison.

The Rep informed us that the extra wheel-washer wasn't functioning properly (pretty obvious to all who pass there on the A6070.)

2. Recreation Trust

The Rep reported that this is now functioning effectively, with R. Davy as Chairman, and a new Treasurer. R.D.'s efforts at tidying up the rec. area were again applauded.

3. The wall at the entrance to Caterpillar Walk has been repaired.

4. The school traffic lights are out of kilter, and steps will be taken to rectify this.

A.S

Thanks!

Burton Pre-school would like to sincerely thank the organisers and supporters of the Irish night for their very kind donation to the Pre-school.

A huge thank you for the kind and generous donation made to the BN funds from the proceeds of the recent Irish Night. We really appreciate your support. Our thanks go to everyone involved, but especially to Ian Hunt for all his work in organising the night.

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Alison Murphy, 781007

PS Backstage still looking for help.

PPS Yes, you did read our dates correctly. Owing to unforeseen circumstances we have had to cancel Friday's performance and transfer to Sunday evening 18 May.

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Burton Children's Sports Committee

BIG KIDS' DAY OUT

On the 15 of March, 16 of us, aged 11 to 15, went to Pine Lake for the "Big Kids Day Out" and spent the morning in and on the water. We did various activities from canoeing, water skiing, banana boating to flying disk. As you can see from the photos, we all had a fantastic time.



Even though temperatures were low, all were in high spirits and even the parents from the sports committee were laughing at us. Paul and Jon at Pine Lake did a fantastic job of entertaining us and made sure everyone had a good dunking.

Despite competition from George McCanny and Tom Jackson, we all agreed that Natasha Woodend was the best water skier of the day and that Emily Wilson definitely was most soaked from the many swimming trips into the lake. Liam Irvine and Charlie Lawson also had chance for a swim as the untipable banana boat

tipped with the full ten on, much to the amusement of all watching! After a canoe round the lake some of us decided to have a quick swim in the lagoon and somehow Beccy Mayne's trainer ended up in the middle, no names mentioned!



George McCanny and Sam Benson gave us stitches when being in a canoe for not even two minutes before first capsizing! The day was nicely rounded off by burger and chips and a good warming up!

I would like to take this chance to say a big thank-you to the staff at Pine Lake, to the sports committee who work as volunteers and to John Jackson for taking the photos. Finally I would like also to say to those who didn't make it is: you missed out on a really fun day.

Thanks and hope to see you next year!
Pascie Ainsworth



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Martin Garner 1939-2008 an appreciation

Many of us will remember Martin, his wife Audrey, and the family who moved into the Vicarage in Burton in 1980. Prior to coming to Burton, Martin was Vicar of St. Nathaniel's, in Croxteth, Liverpool, in 1972, and on leaving Burton he became Rector of Ewelme.

In 1959 he was presented to HRH Prince Philip for his pioneering work with V.S.O., being the first Volunteer to go out with V.S.O. He spent time teaching in Nilgiri Hills of India, and he hunted alone for crocodiles in the mangrove swamps in Borneo! It was not insignificant that his parents were missionaries in Uganda and what was the Belgian Congo. He trained for the Church of England ministry at Tyndale Hall, Bristol, and at St. Nathaniel's was where Daniel Bartlett (the founder of BCMS – now Crosslinks) was one of his predecessors.

Both Martin and Audrey were well-known in Burton for their pastoral concern for members of the parish, and particularly for new arrivals. They were very much a team, undertaking visiting together.

I met Martin at the Vicarage on the day of his arrival when I was introduced to his family, including Philip, who was a member of The Boys' Brigade at St. Nathaniel's, and within a short while Martin and I agreed that it was right to start a Boys' Brigade Company in Burton. He was not just an ordinary BB Chaplain, but enthusiastically joined in all the boys' activities, especially when we went to Haytor, Devon, for our bi-annual Camp. As a young man of thirteen he committed his life to the Lord Jesus, and remained

convinced that the greatest thrill was to know Jesus Christ personally, and the most challenging adventure was to follow Him.

It was my privilege to have known Martin, and also Audrey who died some seven years ago, and to be able to share in his enthusiasm for the Gospel which showed itself in his day-to-day living, whether "on duty" or not. There are many – not just those who have been in The Boys' Brigade for the last 25 years – who are grateful to God for the opportunity to have known Martin. He was a man of prayer, friendly and with his own distinctive sense of humour, who never missed an opportunity to share his faith and encourage others to take the step of faith. At his Thanksgiving Service on 30 January those who attended were reminded "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith."

David J Mills



1st Burton Company Boys' Brigade

BB National Table Tennis: Following our Team's recent success (Simon Gregory, Peter and Stephen Baxendale) in the quarter-final, when they played 11th Warrington, they are now in the semi-final which is to be played in Consett on Saturday 12 April. We wish them well. If successful, they will once again be in the National Final to be held in May at the Palatine Table Tennis Centre, Blackpool.

We're looking forward to our Display and Presentation of Awards evening on Saturday 26 April, at 7pm in the Memorial Hall, when our Boys will receive their Awards for the last year's work, along with the presentation of a Queen's Badge (the highest Award which a Boy can gain). Everyone is welcome.

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Burton First Responders have had a busy start in the first three months of this year with a total of eight calls - this figure does not include Holme.

I was sorry not to receive a better response with a request for more volunteers, having received just one.

On a more successful note our funds have had an incredible boost from the Irish Night held in February - Ian Hunt has donated £600 from the event - we can't thank him enough. We have also received a number of donations from individuals to whom we are equally grateful.

Susan Hargreaves 781273
Team / Ambulance Co-Ordinator

Burton Memorial Hall
200 Club Closure

It is with much regret that the 200 Club Committee have reached the decision to cease running the Club with effect from our year end, 29 February, 2008, when our annual donation is given to the Hall. Unfortunately, two of our main collectors have had to retire due to ill-health and this situation would lead to lack of funds for our monthly cash prize draws. Our Committee, therefore, who are all of long standing (16 - 33 years) feel the time has come to disband. We would like to thank all those who have supported us over the years, both past and present, not least of all our band of volunteer collectors.

The 200 Club has run long beyond expectations, having been started to pay off the loan for the extensions to the Hall.

Below are listed the result of the last two Draws:

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BURTON NEWS FIFTY YEARS AGO

JANUARY

After the New Year Watch Night service 'a small congregation' and the Vicar, the Rev J.B. Phillips, were entertained to coffee by Miss Burgess at Green Cross. During Arctic Weather there were 23 degrees of frost on one night and the A6 over Shap was blocked for 12 hours during a blizzard. Miss Janet Gibson of Burton Manor House wore a coronet of orange blossom when she married Mr T. James of The Nook, Preston Patrick. January Sales adverts from Musgrove's of Kendal included 'Ladies Dresses from 27/6, Vests from 2/11; Men's elastic weave trunks 3/11, shirts from 14/6, plastic macs 17/6'

FEBRUARY

Burton W.I. celebrated its 26th birthday. 120 members of the Youth Club enjoyed a Shrove Tuesday dance where the music was provided by the Spinners Vocal Group from Morecambe and by Don Whitfield with his guitar. In a hang over from Bonfire Night's mischief three Burton youths were found guilty of 'wilful damage to onions to the value of one shilling' the property of Mr William Winstanley, headmaster of Morewood School. They had pulled the onions from his garden and then flung them at his door 'but one onion hit him as he came out with his torch'. The oldest defendant 18 year old Donald Braithwaite having failed to appear before Milnthorpe Magistrates had to be brought from Burton in a Police van. Unlike the others he refused Probation and was fined instead.

MARCH

Four people were taken to hospital after a car hit a telegraph pole in the main road. The pole was snapped in two and its base moved 18 inches. South Westmorland Rural District Council tried, unsuccessfully, to ban ITV aerials on council houses. BBC aerials had been 'allowed' the year before. Burton Amateur Dramatics put on a Drama Festival of four one-act plays.

APRIL

10 Members were elected 'unopposed' to Westmorland County Council. A scale model of the Lune Bridge 'for the proposed Lancaster By-Pass' was put on view. Because of pressures caused by the post-war bulge Lupton School and Heversham Grammar School avoided a threat of closure. There were demands to enlarge Morewood School. Burton W.V.S. ladies collected magazines to be sent to 'our troops serving overseas'.

MAY

Craglands, 'a semi-detached' cottage at Clawthorpe was withdrawn from auction after a final bid of £1050 but was sold afterwards at an 'undisclosed higher figure'. Later in the year a more substantial residence Farleton Rise, Clawthorpe, failed to make the reserve of £3,000 and remained unsold for six months until purchased by 'two jags' Reg Thurnhill, a Preston solicitor. To celebrate its first anniversary, the Memorial Hall Committee planned a fund-raising week aimed at



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JUNE

15 years old Hazel Rhodes was 'elected by secret ballot' Burton's Rose Queen with Edna Cottom and Margery Wyatt as her attendants. Reportedly, there was a 'Gay Mood for the Rose Queen Festival' when a new banner 'beautifully embroidered by Mrs F.M. Crayston was borne aloft by Allan Fawcett and Malcolm Preston'. Despite grey skies and showers all 33 events at the Children's Sports went ahead as planned.

JULY

When she married Mr William Clarkson of Greenlands at Tewit Field Miss Irene Dixon of North View, Burton, wore 'a ballet length dress of beige nylon over pink taffeta'. Her attendant, Miss K. Fawcett 'favoured a lavender-flowered nylon gown'. Anticipating a summer heat wave Whiteside's of Kendal announced 'Incredible but True, You too can rent the Prestcold D431'Fridge for only 7/4 weekly'. N.B. in 2008 values this would equate to £20 pw - or £1000 per year for a small fridge costing nowadays about £250.

AUGUST

Bank Holiday headlines included 'Heartbreak Holiday, Luckless Trippers wander in the drizzle, soaked campers evacuate sites'. Seven-year old George William Wilson from Marsden Farm, Farleton, was killed on the A6070. At the 93rd Burton Show 'for the first time on record the premier cattle championship went to local farms within a mile of each other - Mr H.R. Bell's Friesian Herd at Holme park and Messrs E.J.

Robinson from Kiln Hall, Farleton.' Miss J. Duckett of Coat Green collected the trophy on behalf of Preston Patrick Young Farmers who won the stock-judging competition.

SEPTEMBER

Telephones wires were brought down in a 70mph gale. Plans were announced to restrict speed boats on Windermere to 6mph. There were fears about the 'slaughter of hedgehogs on our roads.' In a year of notable weddings a Lancaster Guardian reporter Mr William Wyndham 'Bill' Crayston whose parents kept the King's Arms, Burton, married a dancing school proprietress, Miss Joan Ward, at the Roman Catholic Cathedral in Lancaster. Miss Bailey, Headmistress of St Thomas School, Lancaster, gave a talk to Burton W.I. on 'The Secondary Modern' school and 'its advantages to certain types of children'.

OCTOBER

BADS main autumn production 'Storm in a Paint Pot' was set in a council house with a cast of 10. They had a capable producer in Elizabeth Wotton who was also responsible for the makeup, and the players had in Rachel Wilson a first class prompter'. Mrs Olive Clarke gave a talk to Burton members on the 'aims and principles of the W.I.' Burton Youth Club went on a trip to the printers of the Morecambe Visitor and also held a successful Halloween Dance.

NOVEMBER

Mr W Heard of the Mansion House died aged 87. Coming originally from Derbyshire he had lived in Burton since 1917 and had been a Churchwarden for

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37 Years. Although Lord Lonsdale, President of the Cumberland and Westmorland British Legion, had feared that the Legion would soon die away, all local Remembrance Day services were well attended. Wreaths were laid in Burton by Mr R. Yates and by Mrs M.E. Hoggarth and Mr Gardner played the Last Post and Reveille. The Roll of Honour for 1914-18 was read by Mr E. Brown, and Mr W. Barber read the list of those who gave their lives in the Second War. Mr R. Birley, of Holme, read Laurence Binyon's, "they shall not grow old..." tribute to the fallen.

DECEMBER

Mr T.J. Dobson of Hill View suffered three bereavements in a fortnight with the deaths of his sisters, Mrs Charlotte Ross of Sunderland and Mrs Susannah Dixon of North View, Burton, followed by that of his wife's niece, 60 years old Violet Metcalf, who had lived with his family. Charlotte had gone to Sunderland to be a 'tram conductress in the First World War', Susannah had been a Red Cross and Civil Defence Worker in the Second War while Violet had spent most of her life in domestic service being for 20 years a maid at Underfell, Burton and then housekeeper for ten years for Mr H. Smith of Vicarage Lane, Burton. All three funerals were held at Burton. At Christmas, school children donated books and toys for the Dr Barnado's Children's homes and the Church Carol singers collected £26 for 'seasonal causes'.

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The Weekend with the Kerry Hooligans

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A big thank you to all the Irish band and their friends who came over and to Mike, Zoe, Brendan and Lynn for their support. Also to Peter, Jill and Marcus Nicholson, all who helped on the night and to Jan's Pantry for supplying their delicious food, also to everyone who attended. I think the whole weekend as well as the night was a success and although Shine did come and sing and perform well on the night, he can't remember it!

When I started this 9 years ago it was just to have a fun weekend with an event that the people of the village could enjoy and that to me is still the main reason rather than a charity event, any funds that are raised are a bonus. Again it has raised in excess of £1300. Sally & I have distributed various amounts to the following local groups: B.A.D.S, Milnthorpe & District Junior Football Club, Burton First Responders, Burton News, Pre-school, Burton Bowling Club, Burton Memorial Hall, Burton Youth Club, Burton Table Tennis Club and Mo Witham towards the hall music system. Lastly a big thank you to Hazel, Robert & Peter for still living with me after the weekend!

Ian Hunt



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On Saturday 19 April we're having a Damson Day Out, riding up the Lyth Valley to the annual Damson Fair at Low Farm. Come and enjoy the festival (cooking demos, archery, music, beer walks, craft stalls), see the frothy white blossom in the orchards and enjoy the damson fayre. (Entry: £4 adults, children £2) Where you join the ride determines how far you ride so you can make this as easy or as hard as you like. Join the ride at Levens (meet 12.15pm @ Levens Playing Field, for an 8 mile return ride). For longer outings, meet us at Heversham (11.45am @ Bluebell Pub, 12 miles); Milnthorpe (11am @ The Green, 18 miles); Holme (10.15am @ Spar, 24 miles); or for the ultimate day out start with us in Burton (10am Burton Morewood School, 30 miles). Let us know you're coming so we can confirm pick-up and make sure we wait for you.

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The Vicar Writes...

“I want to stand where you’re standing”



At Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia there’s a gravestone with the following inscription: “I want to stand where you’re standing.” Underneath these words is the engraved account of a remarkable incident that happened during the American Civil War. A 19 year-old Union soldier was part of a firing squad appointed to execute a Confederate captive for treason. As he raised his rifle to shoot the prisoner, he was horrified to see that he knew the man he was about to shoot. He lowered his gun. “I can’t do it” he said to his captain. “That man has a wife and children at home. If I shoot him, I’ll not only end his life but theirs too. I will make his wife a widow and I’ll rob his children of their father. I can’t do it.”

After a brief discussion, a plan was agreed - the young soldier could take the condemned man’s place. The young Yankee marched up to the Confederate prisoner and said: “I want to stand where you’re standing.” The captive took off his blindfold and walked away, back to his wife and family and his life. But his freedom came at great cost to another – to the young man who had chosen to die in his place.

It’s a pale comparison, but what the young man did for the condemned prisoner is a bit like what Jesus came to do for us. We were in serious danger. We had defied God and messed up his world. We faced his just condemnation for our sin. But in his love he found a way to save us. He sent his Son into the world, and on the cross the Son of God stood in our place and died our death for us. His death means we can live.

The death of Jesus shows us how good God is. We see his justice and his love. We see his justice because, when we look at the cross, we see that God does not ignore our sin. He condemns it to death. And we see his love. The price for sin has to be paid. But do you see what he does? He himself pays the price. It costs him everything, but that is how much he loves us. That is how good he is.

“I want to stand where you’re standing.” Those words are a faint echo of some words spoken by Jesus 18 centuries earlier: “The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” (Mark 10:45)

How amazing! God’s justice demanded the ransom, God’s love provided the ransom, and God himself is the ransom.

Paul

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Sunday 20 April

09.30am Holy Communion Burton
11.00am Holy Communion Holme
06.30pm Evening Church Burton

Sunday 27 April

09.30am Boys' Brigade Family Service Burton
11.00am Holy Communion Holme
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Thanks!

We would like to thank all family friends and neighbours for the cards, flowers and donations received for Burton First Responders following the death of our Mum Margaret on the 22 February. We would also like to thank the First Responders for the care on their two call outs to Mum.

The kindness shown by everyone has been a great comfort to us.

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BEATTIE GOES TO SPAIN

We made good speed towards our parador but had problems with the route instructions given and it took time to find the parador Hostal San Marcos. The original building is to be seen to be believed. It stands in front of a large square on the river in an area away from the old town. Amazingly embellished to its frontage, at least part, was in the 16th century a monastery hospital, then a convent, a hospital for pilgrims and a veterinary faculty department. Whilst a considerable proportion of the original building is in hotel use, a large section to the right is now an impressive museum. Bedroom accommodation, which is grand in proportion, is contained in a very large ugly modern extension at the rear.

If I had to pick one of the highlights of this trip it would be the visit to the Santa María cathedral in León. York Minster has always been my favourite religious structure, but Santa María certainly runs it a very close second. It was built in French gothic style and is an impressive combination of stone and glass, indeed it is claimed that there are more glazed areas than there are walled areas.

We left Leon on Saturday 22 and headed over the Picos de Europa to our last hotel of our tour on the Astrian coast. This was without doubt the best run of the whole fortnight but spoiled a little by low cloud when we reached the highest points. Out of this we began

our descent towards the coast through amazing limestone gorges lined with lush vegetation and hundreds of sweet chestnut trees.

Our base was The Gran Hotel del Sella in Ribadesella. This parador has a stunning position on a wonderful promenade which bounds a very fine beach. The town itself is modest in size and is not at all touristy.

Whilst travelling into the town we ran alongside the River Sella and noticed canoe beaches and decided that on our final day we would have a go. We gathered 8 adventurous souls together, not Sheila and Pip, they decided to have a quiet day on their own, and arrived at one of the beaches mid-morning. The canoes were double canoes and the cost for a 2½ miles paddle was about £13.50 including a packed lunch, or £16.00 for either 9 miles or 12 miles. We plumped for the shorter route not knowing quite what it was going to be like but very quickly decided that at the 2½ miles beach we would leave a message for the organisers that we were going to do 9 miles and pay the difference when they picked us up.

Our journey down stream involved several wetting rapids - it was a great though tiring experience. The river was crisp and clean and alive with fish. We passed under wonderful limestone peaks through rich woodland and saw kingfishers, herons and various birds of prey. So well organised were the operators that as we pulled our canoes onto the appointed beach the mini bus and trailer to transport us back to our cars arrived.

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Our journey back to the ferry next day was around 70 miles. We had plenty of time to pass, so we followed the coastal road, stopping off at Santa Maria del Mar, the most original but most touristy village we had seen. Despite its name it is not on the coast but about 5 miles inland. The village gained its name from the wife of the local noble man. It is said that she had not come across on her wedding night or any other night and that her husband determined to dispose of her but before so doing she had been seen dragging round the town, on the end of a rope, a demon much to the dismay of her marriage guidance counsellor.

We travelled overnight to Plymouth - a slightly bumpy sail and arrived back in Burton around 6.00 pm. Beattie had served us well. Almost 2000 miles without a hitch and in Spain with the hood down.

Where next? Possibly a trip with the Club to the Rhine Valley in Germany.



Come & Meet the Cows!

Come along to Plain Quarry (SD552761) at 7pm on Thursday 1 May for your opportunity to hear about the Forestry Commissions's management of 'Dalton Craggs' an internationally important conservation site and why it needs to be grazed in order to maintain its beauty and interest.

We will be walking to Cumbria Wildlife Trust's adjoining reserve, 'Hutton Roof Craggs' where we will meet the Trust's own splendid herd of shorthorn cattle, a breed

that is historically associated with this area. For the last five years these animals and their predecessors have been helping to enhance the site's favourable condition for wildlife whilst maintaining routes for public access.

During the visit these benefits will be explained and we hope to find some of the fantastic flora, unique limestone landforms and rare and beautiful butterflies for which the site is so important and of course the hardy hairy beasties. The walk will take in some difficult terrain and last approximately two hours. Please bring stout foot wear with good grip and outdoor clothes and waterproofs.

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Holme & District Photographic Society

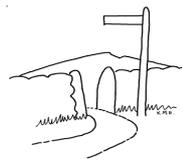
April Meetings

- Wed 2 Battle with Garstang at Garstang
Entries for Aspects of Water comp
Fri 4 *The Jobbing Photographer*, Tony Cooper.
Thu 10 Summer Knock-Out Competition,
Bolton-le-Sands
Fri 11 Summer comp: Aspects of Water
Fri 18 AGM
Thu 24 Chairman's Dinner

All meetings at Holme Village Hall at 8pm

Visitors welcome at all meetings

For membership details contact
Boots Weatherill 01524 784905



BURTON FELLWALKING SOCIETY

April Walks

Sun 6 - 12 noon Cartmel
Leader: Carol Hayton, 782007

Sat 19 - Parlick & Fair Snape
Leader: Clive Horsford. 782493

Wed 23 - Orrest Head *
Leader: Kath Hayhurst, 781613

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

Visitors £1.00 Membership £4 from Jan 1st yearly



Holme & District Local History Society

Common Land in England & Wales: Some Historical Perspectives

Speaker: Dr Eleanor Straughton

Monday 21 April at 7.30pm

Burton Memorial Hall

Visitors welcome



Burton W.I. meeting at Burton Memorial Hall

Gardens of Cumbria Walter Johnson Thursday 10 April 7.30pm

Competition: A gardening tip
Hostesses: Mrs J Willacy & Mrs A Thornber

Contact: Helen Nixon 781048

Burton Amateur Dramatic Society
presents the World Premiere of

STARTING ALL OVER by John Peel

Sat 17 & Sun 18 May

Doors open 7.00 pm, Curtain Up 7.30 pm

Admission £6 including refreshments

Pre-book by phoning 01524 781007

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For more details ring Peter Ellis, 781057

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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?



Burton Art Group Mondays 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Burton Memorial Hall

For more details tel. 782749

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First Monday of every Month



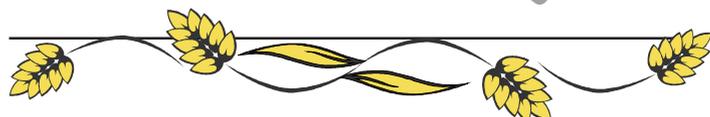
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Friday 25 April

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A Lakeland Rose Show event

Editorial...

Keep using it now we've kept it...

The Post Office of course - following the excellent news that Burton isn't on the 'hit list' of ones to close. As Gill & Akis point out, they aren't quite out of the woods yet and things can still change. So it's up to the people of Burton to show that we really do mean business to keep our Post Office where it is for much longer than any 'consultation period'.

Easter Claus ???

Winter still hasn't lost its grip (our Christmas cactus has decided to flower for the second time since Christmas!) and with the early Easter this year you could forgive the Easter Bunny for thinking he should have a red suit trimmed with fur too! It isn't that often we get Easter so early, though one of us can remember building an igloo at Easter - it lasted a while too before the weather warmed up enough to melt it, whilst the other has memories of horizontal snow at a canal festival over another Easter! Still, the daffodils are flowering and the old saying is that if March comes in like a lion it goes out like a lamb, so let's hope for a warmer, sunnier April.

Boon Town update

The advert has gone out for people to apply for the new houses at Boon Town, so don't miss your chance if you need to apply. See our article on page 7 for how to go about it. Let's hope that the problems faced by existing residents at Boon Town are soon addressed too - living next to a building site is difficult enough without promises being broken.

Potholes in roads

Crossing the county boundary on the A6070 is becoming more uncomfortable daily. Not in a border patrol and show your passport sort of way, but in the appalling road surface which is worn bare in many places between the boundary and the end of Dalton Lane. In the wet it is particularly dangerous as there is very little grip on the bare patches - surely it's time to have this looked at by the Highways people, or do we have to wait for a serious accident for something to be done?

AN & BJM

BN on Tape!



A reminder that *Burton News* can be obtained on audio tape for those with a visual impairment.

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Andy Vickers
Customer Contact Centre
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email: recycling@southlakeland.gov.uk

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Enquiries to above or 01539 735598

SURGERY TIMES

Dr JH Gorrigan

Monday 8.30am - 10.30am @ BMH

By appointment only. To make appointments please telephone 015395 63553

Child Health Clinic

1st Wednesday of each month
10.00 -11.00 am

No appointment necessary

Health Visitor: Shirley Bennett 015395 64887

Cumbria County Council Highways Hotline

0845 609 6609

to report road or pavement problems

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Kendal Library	01539 773520
Kendal Hospital	01539 732288
Lancaster Hospital	01524 65944

Council Switchboards

Cumbria County Council	01539 773000
SLDC	01539 733333

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Registrations may also be undertaken at Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale Libraries by appointment only, contact the Kendal Office to arrange an appointment.

To arrange a marriage contact the Kendal Registrar.

BURTON-IN-KENDAL **PARISH COUNCIL**

The **Parish Council** meets every month on the third Thursday in the month at 7.30 pm in the Burton Memorial Hall. Members of the public are always welcome to observe the proceedings. At each meeting there will be an opportunity for members of the public to voice their concerns, under agenda item **OPEN FORUM**. The Parish Council hopes that parishioners will take advantage of this. **Planning applications:** Parishioners are asked to ensure they notify the PC as well as the planning authority of any comments or objections they have about any planning application within the parish. **The Agenda of the next meeting and Minutes of the last meeting** are always available on the Parish Council notice board outside the Burton Memorial Hall or on the Parish Council website. On the website parishioners may 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.

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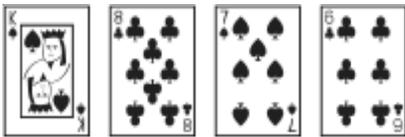
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THE CLERK - Charles Dale
01524 781145

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ADVANCE DIARY DATES

- Fun Casino Night** Kings Arms - Thursday 3 April (see below)
Burton News Annual Meeting BMH, Monday 7 April, 7pm - All welcome!
BMH Car Boot & Table Top Sale - Sunday 13 April (see front cover)
St. James' Cup, Community 5-a-side competition Saturday 19 April (see pg 21)
Damson Day Out - Saturday 19 April - a Wheely Good Event (see pg 19)
Pampered Chef Party BMH - Fri 25 April (see pg 25)
Boys Brigade Annual Display & Presentation BMH - Saturday 26 April (see pg 14)
Come & Meet the Cows, Walk - Thurs 1 May, 7.00pm at Plain Quarry (see pg 23)
Sweet Peas made easier a talk by Kevin Preston, Wed 7 May at Dalton Hall (see pg 25)
BADS Spring Play BMH - Saturday 17 & Sunday 18 May (see pg 24)
Children's Sports Annual Village Sports Day School Field - Monday 26 May
Dr Bike Roadshow at Burton Children's Sports Day, Burton Morewood School - Monday 26 May
Annual Art & Craft Exhibition BMH - Saturday 7 & Sunday 8 June 10am - 4pm

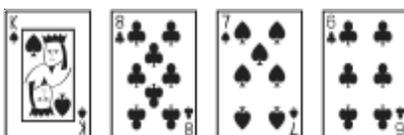


Fun Casino Night Thursday 3 April

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Black Tie. 8pm - 11pm
Cash prizes of £100, £50 and £25

Auction of promises
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AGM Monday 7 April at 7pm in BMH