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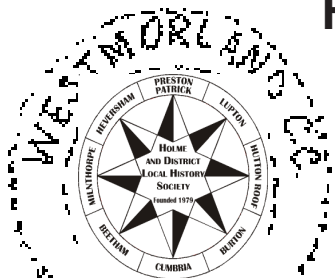
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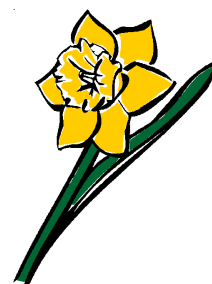
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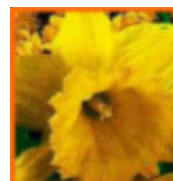
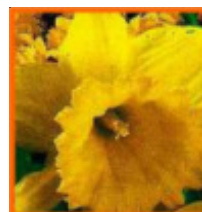


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Readers' LETTERS



Dear BN,

A response to 'The Vicar Writes...' ' in the March Burton News.

Jesus was a man who walked the earth. He was 'about [his] Father's business.' Luke 2 v.49

Jesus and his Father were at one, they were not one and the same. They were at one in the healing work Jesus did. Jesus could not have done this without his Father, God.

'I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.' John 8 v.28

Jesus is sometimes called Jesus Christ or Christ Jesus. Jesus was his name, the Christ was his business.

Though we do not see Jesus the man walking the earth today, the work of the Christ goes on and is as active now as when Jesus walked the earth.

'Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever.' Hebrews 13 v.8.

E.F. (full name & address withheld)



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Dear BN,

The recent fly-tipping of tyres at Lupton has prompted me to see what might be done in Burton and Holme.

Though it is not a wide-spread problem, I am aware of specific instances, and it would be good to see if a volunteer group can be set up.

Initially, it would patrol specific littler spots, perhaps twice monthly. If fly-tipping locations can also be identified, then this might also be tackled.

I have spoken with Claire Feeney-Johnson (Environment and Sustainability Portfolio Holder, SLDC) and she is prepared to supply appropriate equipment and protective clothing.

If you are willing to help, then please call me - 01524 781397 or email burtonholmelibdems@fastmailbox.net

Vic Brown, Holme

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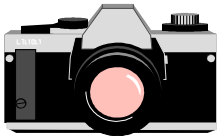
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Holme Photographic Wins South Lakes Knockout!

On Thursday evening we beat Lancaster in the final of *The South Lakes Knockout* to win the competition.

Well done to the selection committee and to all members who submitted work.

This means to date this season, we have won all inter-club battles, with just Garstang to beat for a clean sweep, this would be a wonderful achievement.

The Garstang battle will take place on Tuesday 24 April at Garstang.

Paul Edmunds, Chair

Wedding Announcement

Sarah Lee & Michael Massey



Mike and Les Lee are extremely delighted to announce the wedding of their very special eldest daughter, Sarah to Michael Massey on Sunday 8 April 2012.

Wishing you both good health and every happiness in your future life together.

All our love, Mum Dad and Helen

Burton Drama Wins Cumbria Drama Festival!



For the last two years, BADS has entered a play into the Cumbria Drama Festival, held at Grange-over-Sands. Last year we came a close second but this year we went one better and won, beating off two other societies with 'A Jolly Sinister Jape.' We not only won the main award but also three others - the Best Backstage Crew award, and our esteemed leading actors Simon Yaxley (you may remember him as Dick Barton) and Sue Stokes (you may remember her as Mary in *The Great Escape*) won Best Actor and Best Supporting Actor respectively. It was an excellent night and many thanks to all those who supported us. We now progress to the next round of the All England Theatre Festival in Preston on Saturday 12 May.

Now, we thought that such an award winning play should be available to be seen by our village supporters too – and you will have the chance on the Friday 22 and Saturday 23 June when we shall be performing this as part of our summer production alongside another one act play. It's really not to be missed!

Rehearsals are underway, although parts not yet cast, so come along any Monday or Thursday at 7.30pm to the Memorial Hall to take on a role either on stage or behind the scenes. All welcome. Look out for further information and updates on the BADS Facebook page!

Fliss Holloway, Chair

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Outdoors

Nothing happened, for at least half an hour. I walked with Klipper the lurcher down to the canal from Turnpike Lane near Holme. And nothing happened. That is to say: a barrel-breasted white-and-khaki gander stands looking nonplussed in the field on the right, while his friends honk from the field on the left from which he's somehow escaped. Ripples spread outwards from below the bank - must be something there - two mallard drakes and a duck paddle off, weed dripping from their beaks, a brown smoke of silt clouding the water where they've been dabbling. A breathtaking and brilliant calm prevails. Slim black spires seem to be growing out of the water. They come into focus as mirrored bulrush heads, each linked to the earth by the pale gold wand of its stem.



nostrils twitching, eyes like glass? So hunters have to stalk, and wait, and wait, and perhaps pounce when the quarry breaks cover and perhaps endure a hungry night.

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As I came back across the bridge, a mallard drake flew in from the north and splashed-down beside the trio. Instant chaos. Drakes fought. You couldn't see who was on top. Probably not the duck. A minute of flying water and jabbing beaks and one drake left, northwards - presumably the incomer - while the trio paddled off downstream, the duck switching her tail repeatedly from side to side. Mating may or may not have taken place - it's not for me to say.

On the way back up, Klipper the lurcher became enthralled, as usual, by the rabbit scrapings in the roots of the hedge. This time she stands for quarter of an hour, transfixed. Her muzzle is an inch from the earth. A wee trod leads under a horizontally-layered ash trunk and several withered bramble canes. Hard to see if there's an actual burrowed hole. The traces, whether of sound or smell, are enough to put Klipper on the most intense alert. When I feel her backbone, it's vibrating with contained energy. How long would she have kept watch, one forepaw lifted from time to time, if I hadn't finally pulled her away? Was there a rabbit a few inches below ground, As I say, 'nothing' happened, during an hour which lifted me out of late-winter blues and left me refreshed and normal (?) once again. It had happened two weeks ago, down where the canal is culverted a hundred yards north of Tewitfield Locks. A foggy gloaming, the sun dowsed behind the Yealand hills, HGV's roaring southward and northward on the motorway. On the water a piebald cygnet, one of last year's brood, paddled near to me, wanting something - company, a heel of bread, a roost in the rushes; got nothing; paddled back the way it had come. A white

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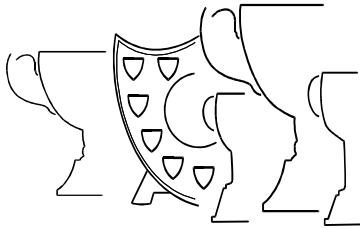
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star flashed in the air a quarter-mile away, dazzling and pure against the browns and greys of wintry woodland: a mature swan in full flight, steering south towards the wetlands at Leighton Moss. And that's all that happened - nothing, really - enough to lift the mood and quicken my own vitality as we move into the good half of the year.

David Craig



ROSE QUEEN 2012 & CHILDREN'S SPORTS DAY

The Children's Sports Committee have recently chosen their theme for Sports Day this year which is Best of British.

We want to try and encourage as many participants as possible this year in Floats, Cars, Bikes, Prams or on foot in fancy dress.

We also need a Rose Queen (year 6 and over), Attendants (in years 3 - 5) and Rose Buds (Reception - Year 2).

Names can be entered at the school and the results will be drawn at the Daffodil Show on Easter Sunday.

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We aim to reduce the speed to an advisory 20mph throughout the village. We can only do this if we have a majority of the village supporting us by signing our petition which we will be circulating around the village. They will also be available to sign in the shop and the Kings Arms. We hope that we can rely upon you all for your support. Many thanks.

For more information see Sally Noble, Sharon Stephens, Clare Stephens, Nicola Stephens, Tracey Wren or Louise Barker or join us at www.facebook.com/20isplentyforBurton.

In Memoriam

Ronald William Fairclough 1926 - 2012

Anthea, Vivienne and Gillian would like to thank everyone for the messages of sympathy and generous donations received for the First Responders upon the death of their Uncle Ron on 19 February 2012.

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An **ALTERNATIVE** *Opinion...*

Commenting on the goings-on at the Parish Council meetings

The meeting for March began with the Annual Parish Meeting, which means that we get an opening turn by a visitor, and turn it was, a dazzling piece of speed-talking by Adam Day, managing director of North-West Auctions, who are building the new Agricultural Quarter where the A6070 joins the A65. In his ten minutes he told us about the 12-acre development (1.4 acres of building); trading units additional to the livestock market - sales points for feed, tyres, vets, solicitors - so that 'farmers can do all sorts of business as well as bring their animals'; about the state of farming, in the aftermath of foot-and-mouth; about the recycling of all water used on site; and on and on. It is 'by far the best site in the whole country' and will be 'a business park with a farming core.' In his own West Cumbria, near Cockermouth, young people from the farms are going more and more to work for British Nuclear Fuels - a 40-hour week instead of a 70 - and this drain must be stopped.

He never repeated himself, never used jargon or the slippery vagueness and fudge of the political kind. Seven villagers were present (called 'members of the public' in the Minutes; Alt.O much prefers 'villagers' or 'voters') and one of them was concerned about a heavy increase in traffic. Mr Day reassured us (i.e. sought to

reassure us, which isn't the same as convinced us) that 'only farmers from the south, between here and Lancaster, would come through Burton' and 'the wagons will nearly all use the M6 or the A65.' Another villager wondered if the planned furniture auction would outdo the one at Preston Patrick, whose village hall relies on it. Mr Day will 'bear it in mind' - the only piece of suspect fudge in his informative talk.

The Chairman then gave his Annual Report - 'definitely my last' before the 2012 election on May 3. He listed many useful things that have been done in 2011-12, e.g. the 'much-reduced flooding on roads despite the torrential rainfall in December and January.' Also the agreement with Forest Enterprise that the Plain Quarry picnic area will go on being maintained. Also the restriction on timber wagons from going through Dalton and down Vicarage Lane. He referred to Lancaster City Council's approval for a wind turbine south of Burton Services and seemed to think that this was not a 'happy event.' Whyever not, since it would make a contribution to slowing down global warming and help to save our coastal towns from flooding by the rising sea? He also gracefully thanked 'the doughty ladies of the local press' for ensuring that the Council would still feature in Burton News, for good or for bad', a neat way of referring to the mixed feelings that must be aroused by the wonderfully forthright pieces which a certain A.O. has been writing here since December 2001 (issue 99) .

The P.C. meeting itself then began. The police reported that no crime in Burton had been logged since February, although it's probable that cars are hurtling in a sort of race round a loop that includes Main Street.



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On the long-running Development Plan, the usual concerns were voiced that too many houses were being allowed for - not planned, just allowed for, i.e. land provisionally allocated for that purpose. A long discussion hinged on whether the Council should argue for a maximum number or restate the argument against the Plan's high number (146). It would be easier to summarise the pro's and con's if Councillors would only (a) not interrupt each other and (b) not speak in a sort of conversational mumble, when what is wanted is some well-pitched public speaking. After these starlings had been chirruping and murmuring for a while, the issue was put to a vote: 4 voted for a number, 4 for a statement against the number in the Plan, and the Chairman cast his vote for the latter (in addition to the vote he had cast as part of the 4:4.)

Burton are definitely going to plant an oak sapling to mark the Diamond Jubilee. The question is, where? There are now two gaps in the young saplings along Tarn Lane, so that's a possibility. Or in the school playground? Wherever it is, it will have to be protected by a metal cage. Up to £150 can be spent on this - four times the cost of the tree. 'At that price, will it be gilt?' a Cllr. asked wearily. Still on the theme of long-lasting monuments, a 'Historic County of Westmorland' sign would be a good thing and estimates will be got for a sign on the roadside at Heron Syke. How nice if it says just that, a simple place-name, instead of the

fatuous 'A Place Where People Matter' that some counties go in for. And even 'Historic' isn't one of those empty boasts since there actually is no longer, officially, a Westmorland.

So, at last, the time has come round again for local government elections (and income tax returns, and the blossoming of hawthorn and magnolia.) So let us hope that enough nominations will have come in by the deadline at noon on April 4 so that, for once, we can have a proper democratic poll with a choice between candidates.

D.C.



You may have heard of 16 year-old Alice Pyne from Ulverston who has terminal cancer. Alice and her family have launched a new charity offering holidays in the North of England to families with a seriously ill child. To raise funds and awareness of the charity, my son-in-law Simon Broomfield and seven friends will be cycling from Land's End to John O'Groats, a distance of 1000 miles in 10 days. My daughter Cathy and Alice's Mum Vicky will be driving the support cars. The ride will be passing through Burton on Tuesday 24 April stopping for a quick tea break at the Memorial Hall car park around 1.30-2pm. To follow their progress in training and during the ride you can see their blog at <http://teamaliceontour.blogspot.com/>. To learn more about the charity the website is www.alices-escapes.co.uk.

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CARBONIFEROUS CURIOSITIES

The carboniferous limestone landscape around Burton is one of the geological delights of South Lakeland. In c. 1950 Norman Nicholson extolled, "Farleton Knott and Hutton Roof Crag between the canal and Lonsdale have acres of wilderness (where) the rock is moulded and carved till it looks like lava. There are waves and crests of rock, edges like pie-crusts, crevasses more than leg-deep...." Nearly 200 years earlier Benjamin West provided one of the first descriptions of our area, "To Lancaster from Kendal by Burton is 22 miles. Observe on the left before you reach Burton Farleton-knot, a beautiful naked, limestone mountain, said to resemble the rock of Gibraltar. By trigonometrical process the height of the mountain was found to be 594 feet above the level of the Turnpike." West added as a post script an earlier observation by the Rev Chor, "on the edge of a mountain a mile and a half north of the town of Burton, is a natural curiosity called Claythrop-clints, or Curwenwood-kins which many tourists would like to see. It consists of a large plain of naked limestone rock, a little inclined to the horizon, which has evidently once been one continued calcareous mass, in a state of softness like that of mud at the bottom of a pond. It is now deeply rent with a number of fissures, of 6,8, or 10 inches wide, just in the form of those which take clay or mud that is dried for fun. It also exhibits such channels in its surface, as can only be accounted for by the ebbing of copious

waters of the Deluge before the matter was hard. It is five or six hundred yards in length and about two hundred in breadth. There are several other limestone plains of the same kind in the neighbourhood, but this is the most remarkable and extensive. In the crevices of the rocks, the botanist may meet with the Belladonna, or Solanum Lethale (the Deadly Nightshade) and some other curious plants. I could not but admire the uncouth manner in which nature has thrown together those huge rocks, which compose the mountain but has clothed it with trees and shrubs of most various and beautiful verdure, which bend downwards and with their leaves cover all the rugged parts of the rocks." Finally West mentioned a curious cave "between Burton and Lancaster, called Dunald mill-hole, a subterraneous cavern, with a brook running through it, and many curious petrifications in style and kind like those in Derbyshire." But where precisely was, or is, it?

MOUNTAINS HIGH

I stood upon a mountain high,
Amongst the clouds and in the sky,
Absorbed the beauty of the vale below
Where pathways wind and waters flow.
A patchwork quilt in wild array,
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The silence breaks as eagles cry
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W.I. NEWS

Our March meeting was an illustrated talk by David Marsden of Wildlife Oasis about his recent visit to Equador. The members enjoyed seeing very good quality photographs and haering about the diversity of wildlife.

Burton WI hosted a talk on 12 March about 21st century slavery. The plight of the 250 million Dalit people of India was highlighted by Julia Hawthorne of the Life Association. It was an enlightening, and sometimes disturbing, evening as we learned about their treatment by their own countrymen and women. Julia showed photographs of some amazing people, and told of her work with the children in building schools and orphanages in India.

The Thursday 12 April meeting will be held in BURTON MOREWOOD SCHOOL at 7.30pm. This is due to the ongoing work at the Memorial Hall which will be closed for two weeks. Our speaker is Mike Leese who will show us TAI CHI and hopefully encourage us to join in. New members and visitors are welcome. Telephone Helen Nixon on 781048 for details.

Main Street Float for Sports Day

Calling all Main Street residents: we are aiming to put together a float to go in the Sports Day parade, we have already been offered a trailer, just need some ideas and help and lots of children involved. The theme is BEST OF BRITISH. If interested, and you would like to help, please contact Tracy on 781387 or Christine on 782694.

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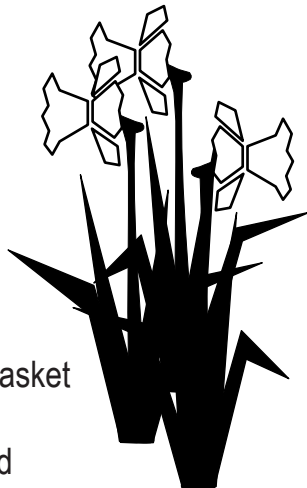
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8. 10lb pack of free range Saddleback pork sausage, bacon and gammon. Courtesy of Shagram Meats.
9. An afternoon's guided pigeon shooting for beginners/experienced gun including 50 cartridges and all equipment. Callum Graham.

The Daffodil Show Committee would like to express their appreciation to all those who have contributed to the above, but ask anyone who wishes to contribute further to make contact with members of the committee.

We would also like to, on behalf of all those involved, thank John Long, Mike Earl, Molly and Barbara for the commitment and drive they have imparted over the previous years, without which another element of village life could have faded away. They have handed over the reins to Neil Shaw and Callum Graham who will endeavour to further the show's continued success.

Looking forward to a great day and seeing you all on Easter Sunday.



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Roger Reports...

from the district & county councils

Just as the weather governs all the activities of the traveller so 'demography' underpins all the work of local government. If we don't know who lives where we cannot begin to try and serve them. The latest figures show that Cumbria's population is just short of 500,000 of whom 103,700 live in South Lakeland. Since 2001 there has been 15% increase in residents aged over 65, a 1% decrease in people aged 15-64, and (possibly more disturbing) a 7.6% decrease in children aged 1-14. At 6.3% our population from 'Black and Minority Ethnic Groups' (BME) is the highest proportion in Cumbria. Basically the figures might indicate that we need fewer school places and more older people's services. As Cumbria's Older Persons' Champion I have recently been nominated for the Executive of the North West Committee. As such I would be one of the few rural area members directly aware of the difficulties of keeping our senior citizens in their own homes for as long as they are able. Although home care is cheaper, distances and obtaining carers are as much a problem as finance. Residential fees in range from £950 per week in some Cumbria care homes down to about £450 pw in some private homes. For information about older people's services, please ring Davina

Jenkins on 01229 407821. I am also pressing the needs of older people on the libraries review working party. As, I've mentioned previously, the mobile library van is well used locally, with an average of 24 visits and 50 issues per stop in Burton, and 18 visits and 40 issues in Holme, I am still pressing to keep the service, but as visits have halved in five years across the county, and our two remaining vans need replacing at a cost of £100,000, alternatives have to be considered. But please remember you can arrange a home delivery of library books by ringing Trina Mackenzie, on 01228 227318, or for other local library matters, Tom Holliday on 01539 713526. I am also on the Children & Young People's working group and am concerned that the number of looked-after children (we no longer say 'in care') is now over 600, whose basic cost is £36,000 pa. Where it is beneficial for the child I am hopeful that new procedures to speed up adoption might be helpful - but this is a service no one wants to cut. Meanwhile, we are already considering next year's budget which is about £800m, of which half is allocated to schools. In order to avoid increasing the council tax, Cumbria made savings of £44m - mainly in reductions in staffing in 2012-13. 'Cuts' of £20m would be required in 2013 - 2014 to do the same, before allowing for inflation.

Good news includes accidental dwelling house fires are down by 10%, and the number of people who have been killed or injured on the roads is down, though road traffic collisions have increased from 63 to 66. Last week there might have been one more (RTC) if I had not swerved to avoid a white van overtaking at about 60mph on the double white lines at Sandy Gap. I have asked for the SID warning signs to be brought



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back, and also that our new flasher warning lights for Morewood School should come on at the correct time of say 8.30am - 9.15am and 3.00pm - 3.45pm. Meanwhile, other councillors have been concerned about the 'culling' of Canada geese, and nearer home / Holme murmurations of starlings have been causing problems. But from Furness have come alarmist reports of damage caused by feral pigs! Finally, as we all get ready to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, don't forget that the Olympic Torch will be coming along the A6 to the County Boundary on Friday 22 June at about 10am. Local schools have been invited to Milnthorpe, but a less crowded vantage point might be on Hale Moss. Though the torch will have zig zagged through Cumbria, the organisers said that they had run out of 'zag' when I asked if it could come through Burton. But let's hope it will be a fine day.

All the best,

Roger

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Jubilee Surprise - Percival Roper's prank "misguided" says Dist. Cllr.

The huge neck of the crane towered high above the car park of Burton Memorial Hall. Most of the residents of Burton-in-Kendal were there watching. Some crowded into the yard of the hall, but the majority spread out beyond the pavement, and blocked the road. At such moments personal safety is forgotten. And anyway those cars whose way was blocked by the crowd were leaving their vehicles in mid-road and tumbling onto the tarmac to watch the spectacle.

It was the diminutive figure who stood so bravely at the furthest end of the highest nostril of the crane that all eyes were on. All eyes, that is, except for those of the Chairman of the Parish Council. In massive green print blazoned on a sheet, torn into haphazard strips, was scrawled "HAPPY JUBILEE FROM BURTON PARISH COUNCIL." It was the sort of style used to wish Bert, say, or Melanie, "Happy 40th" that locals might be accustomed to see at Carnforth traffic lights. "Whose idea was this?" thundered the Chairman. He looked furiously at the Parish Clerk, who backed away nervously, bumping into one of the many students of Cordwainers' Academy. Word had gone round, and still they came, thronging down Vicarage Lane. Arms waved around in the air as people held their mobiles on high, hoping to get a shot to send to Look North-West.

Some looked apprehensive. Not Cordwainers of course. They shouted encouragement, daring the

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distant figure. They knew who it was - their very own daredevil, Percival Incomen Roper.. And one other person, with a sick feeling in her gut, feared the worst. Could this be her son yet again in the limelight for the very worst of reasons? Mrs Roper herself, Roper's mother, drawn at first in awed curiosity by the crowd, saw with a jerk of sinking despair that her wayward son had torn up one of her silk monogrammed sheets to advertise his exploit. She hardly dared to raise her eyes skywards. But of course she did so, and there he was.

At that very moment a sharp "Ahhh" rose from the spectators as the intrepid Percival took off, with some grace, catapulting away from the crane and far out across the car park, so that all necks turned in unison watching the progress of his slender silhouette, seeming to glide so slowly at first, a tiny grasshopper figure. Then he was falling at great speed towards a Health and Safety Officer, who, it later transpired, had had his eye on poor Percy for some time.

The bungee tautened and bounced, and Percy bounced too. He was so near them all that they could hear his cries of either delight or fear - none were quite sure which - as he disappeared upwards again and again. "Percival, come here at once," screamed his mother as he bounced for the third time. "Not to worry, Ma!" he found time to call before he went up for the last time into the ether. Then down he came, lowered gently to the ground, where most of the Parish Councillors crowded round him threatening serious come-uppance. Cordwainers crowded round him too, but they were full of envy and admiration. Shouldering past all of them, Mrs Roper swung her Booth's

shopping bag at him. A cabbage flew across the car park. The Parish Clerk dodged it, and it hit the Health and Safety Officer on the head with such force that he later developed a black eye. Roper, still elated by his bungee experience ignored them all. "£5 a go!" he called. He was by nature an entrepreneur. Already a queue of young machos from the village was beginning to form.

So what could the Parish Council do? Wise advice told them to make the best of the incident. The bungee after all was a great success, making a massive profit, as word went round the whole area, as far away as sedate Kirkby Lonsdale. They couldn't keep the profit themselves, because that is against the rules. So they gave it to North-West Air Ambulance, which, as one PCClr remarked, would probably be required one day for that reprobate Roper. "But it isn't the Jubilee yet," a killjoy pointed out. "No," agreed Percival. "It's April 1st. Why do you think I'm telling you all this?"

A.S.

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A tale of two ciggy's

The continuing story of Keith Holland's army service

On our arrival at Shandur we were told to do our own thing for the first week, which gave us time to write letters home with our new address and explore the camp, which seemed a little deserted, no tanks to be seen at all! Then we learned that the 8th Royal Tank Regiment would soon be returning to their base at Catterick and that we might be going home with them, and then on to Germany to join the 2nd Royal Tank Regiment. Eventually all this did happen, but in the meantime many new faces were arriving each day, from scattered places all over Egypt. There must have been three hundred of us altogether, the same number that had travelled over with us on the ship two years before. So we all had many tales to tell of our different experiences.

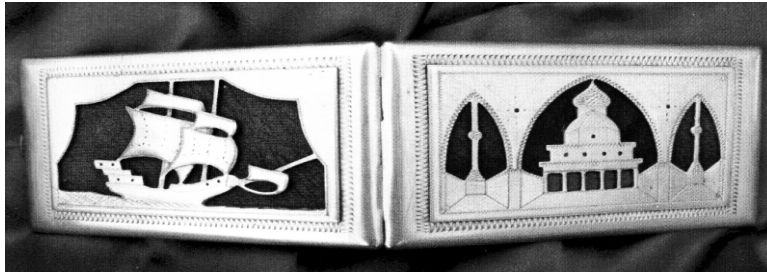
Adjacent to our camp was a German Prisoner of War compound, with a few of Rommel's Africa Corps still waiting for repatriation. One day two of my pals and I, finding the nearest ablutions overcrowded, decided to walk to another block near the end of the camp, when we arrived I was confronted by a deeply sun-tanned German PoW, pleading with us to help him recover his wrist watch which had disappeared whilst washing. 'Fritz' as we called him was going frantic, it was a valuable keepsake given to him by his family, he explained, and the only people present at the time was



his friend and three native cleaners.

So whilst my pals guarded the two entrances, Fritz and his friend searched the premises, whilst I watched the cleaners. I was on the point of asking them to strip down to be searched, when the wristwatch was found tucked in a crevice under the wash basins. The cleaners were pointing at each other trying to shift the blame and jabbering away in Arabic, so I asked them to produce their work permits etc., pretending to write their names and numbers down, and they, pleading for me not to report the matter, which I had no intention of doing anyway, what would have been the point? We were all leaving in a few weeks and they would be without jobs soon enough, without us making life even harder for them.

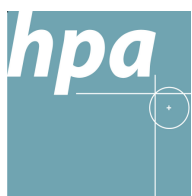
Fritz and his friend couldn't thank us enough for the help we had given and offered to make me a gift in return, he didn't say what it was, but had I any old mess tins I didn't want? I was a little puzzled, but I said, "Yes, I had!" Then about two weeks later, when we had arranged to meet again, he produced a wonderfully crafted cigarette case. I couldn't believe he'd made it from those two old mess tins I'd given him, I was completely lost for words. A picture of the sailing ship on the front reminded me so much of the embossed galleon my two brothers had fixed on the dining room wall whilst decorating in the early 1930s. He didn't want payment for it, but I insisted, and made



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him take an Egyptian 100 Piastre note, he had obviously put so much time and effort into making it.

We learned later that Fritz had lost most of his family in an air raid, which is probably why he treasured the wrist watch so much, and I knew that my pals had mentioned to him that I had lost two of my brothers in the RAF, one torpedoed by a U-boat whilst travelling to South Africa on a troopship and the other lost in the North Sea whilst returning from a raid over enemy territory, both had died on the sea. When I saw the ship on the cigarette case I wondered, maybe, just maybe, was it there for a reason? At least I like to think so, who knows?

Fritz's gift had been a very pleasant surprise, but I was to have yet another surprise about twenty-five years later in the early 1970s, when I visited my friendly bank manager, Eric Schofield in the Yorkshire Bank. He offered me a cigarette as bank managers used to do in those days, and having given up the habit I declined the offer, but asked could I see the cigarette case he was holding. What a strange coincidence! I mentioned that I had one at home made by a German PoW with exactly the same engraving marks, exactly the same measurements and very similar Egyptian scenes depicted on it. Eric mentioned that his, too, had been made by a German PoW, also out of mess tins. I wondered, could it be the same man that had made them both?

Another strange coincidence was that Eric's cigarette case had the name 'Tel-El-Kebir' engraved on it, and I, back in Kasr-El-Nil barracks would collect the mail for the small outpost in the desert and pop them into a

pigeon hole marked T.E.K, to be called for twice a week by a very dusty looking dispatch rider, the German prisoner of war who made Eric's cigarette case must have also served there - it's a very small world, full of coincidences isn't it!



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The Vicar Writes...

Why do kings have jesters?

That was a question posed by 17th century French philosopher Blaise Pascal. The fact that the kings of his day had jesters puzzled him because, in human terms, they had everything they could need or aspire to. They wanted for nothing. So, why have jesters? The answer, said Pascal, is because the jester prevents the king from thinking about the one issue he really needs to face up to but doesn't want to face up to – death.

We could modernise the question. Why do we always need entertainment? Why does every waking moment have to be filled when we have so much? Why do we spend so much time watching television, surfing the net, playing on our games console, listening to our iPod? Pascal would say these modern day “jesters” are ultimately distractions we put in place to stop us thinking about the real issues of life and death.

This fits with the Bible's verdict that human beings are “held in slavery by their fear of death” (Hebrews 2:15). I think we know what the author is talking about.

We fear death. That's why we spend so much of our lives trying to avoid it - exercising, taking pills, filling our lives with distractions and refusing to talk about it. There aren't many taboos left in our society, but death is one. You can speak of just about anything else, but mention death and it's considered to be bad taste. How deep is the fear when people won't even talk about it!

The good news of Christianity is that Jesus came to set us free from the slavery of this fear - by dying! Through his death and resurrection he has made it possible for us to go through death and join him in God's deathless, eternal Kingdom. For those who trust Jesus, death is not the final word but the gateway to a glorious future and, therefore, isn't to be feared.

Jesus says: “Don't be afraid... I am the Living One; I was dead and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death...” (Revelation 1:18)

How ironic and tragic it would be if the distractions we fill our lives with, in order to avoid thinking about death, prevent us from hearing the good news of the Risen One, and coming to him for the freedom we so desperately need and long for. Don't let the jesters distract you from Jesus this Easter. Have a happy Easter.

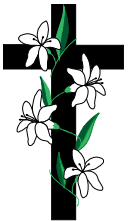
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From the Registers

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29 February: Ronald William Fairclough



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Sunday 1 April

10.00am Joint Morning Church Burton
No service at Holme. No evening church

Thursday 5 April

7.30pm Holy Communion Burton

Friday 6 April

10.00am Good Friday Devotional Holme

Sunday 8 April Easter Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Burton
10.00am Morning Church: All-age Communion Burton
11.00am Morning Church: All-age Communion Holme
6.00pm Evening Church

Wednesday 11 April

11.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Holme

Sunday 15 April

10.00am Morning Church Burton
11.00am Morning Church (HC) Holme
6.00pm Evening Church Burton

Sunday 22 April

10.00am Morning Church (Traditional BCP) Burton
11.00am Morning Church (HuB All-age) Holme
6.00pm Evening Church Burton

Sunday 29 April

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Village People

... an occasional series

Gill & Akis

Burton's shop is at the geographical centre of the village and Gill and Akis have seen to it that it remains at the social centre as well. You meet 'everyone' there sooner or later - conversation thrives - the whole range of villagers from babies to pensioners come and go. At least five 'generations' of shopkeepers have been in charge since I first went in to order the daily and Sunday papers thirtyfive years ago. Meanwhile, along the street, another general shop, a post office, a greengrocer, a bakery, a hairdresser, a pub, and a bank branch have closed, probably for good. The shop seems permanent, and should remain so in spite of the crass and mean 'reforms' threatened by our rulers.

One of the first things you see as you go in is the TV monitor beside the till - good pictures, sharp and in full colour, of the Onion "and Daffodil Shows, the Fun Run, Sports Day, and so on, and also pleasing shots of the district. Some of the images are Gill's work. Altogether a heartening alternative to most monitors, where all you see is the back of your own head, looking suspicious,

Gill and Akis might well never have been here. They were living in Garstang and both enjoyed working on theatre lighting at the Light Opera. Gill had been a teacher and educational administrator in Lancashire. When they decided that they wanted a change of life, they cast their net widely, from Amble in

Northumberland to Hope in Derbyshire. A post office near Garstang was attractive - and was already almost sold. Too many businesses were 'lock up only', i.e. no accommodation for the shopkeepers, or they had no post office. Burton seemed just right, so five years ago in May Gill and Akis moved in here. Now we can all enjoy their helpfulness and enterprising range of goods, to say nothing of Akis's great riffs when he brims over with stories and ideas.

They reckon they made it just in time - the banking collapse was about to make credit hard to get for small businesses. The next thing they had to weather was the governmental attack on sub-post-offices. Beetham was closed in spite of a guarantee about maximum distance to the nearest P.O. Many of us will recall the party atmosphere in the shop, with Akis's home-made baklava, when Burton's 'reprieve' came through. Now they're bracing themselves for further dangers as the Royal Mail struggles against big business and its allies in government. There is a threat to do away with the secure post-office section of shops and offer the mail (etc.) services among the general goods, also to force shops to keep their post offices open for the same hours as the general shop. Those in power, obsessed with 'value for money' as against social services, can't or won't see the disorder this would cause, compared with the present one queue for the mail (etc.) and another for the groceries, papers, lottery , etc.

Gill and Akis look well able to cope with any difficulties. They like their work. Gill even says, 'Where else can you call it a job - exchanging pleasantries with nice folk?' Mind you, she even likes the detailed computing needed for VAT, PAYE, and so on - not surprising since

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she taught physics at schools in Blackburn and Blackpool and loved it (apart from the disciplinary side). So now they run an operation calling for a command of details that would leave many of us dazed or whimpering. (I know that we buy at least forty-four different things from the shop, from mushrooms and ginger ale to photocopying and vehicle licences.)

The only regret they have about their set-up is that they can't find more time for the social life of the village. 'We'd like to go to things, and have a walk along the canal. We just haven't the time.' Perhaps the hardest thing for most of us would be getting up at 5 a.m. to take in and sort the newspapers. I know it was a main reason why Sue and Dave Williamson, their pre-predecessors (before Tim and Elaine), called it a day in 2002. One day Gill and Akis do take part is when Akis bakes a cake for the monthly coffee morning at the Memorial Hall. 'It's a new thing I wanted to try. I make a different one each month. I like researching them. It was not so good this time - the caramel did not work,' and Akis mimes with hands and arms to suggest how the sticky stuff pulled out like elastic in all directions. Now that would draw a crowd if it was shown on the TV monitor.

D.C.



Queen's Diamond Jubilee Events

Sat 2 June & Sun 3 June 10.00am - 4.00pm

Burton-in-Kendal Art & Craft Exhibition (Main Hall)
Holme & District Local History Society Exhibition:
"Burton Celebrations" (Club Room) BMH

Mon 4 June

Burton Children's Sports Day & Carnival
Burton Morewood School Field

Tues 5 June

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Wed 6, 13, 20, 27 June

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Wed 6: Four nature reserves approx. 5 miles

Wed 13: Stone circle to peat bog approx. 4 miles

Wed 20: Lost village & parkland approx. 5 miles

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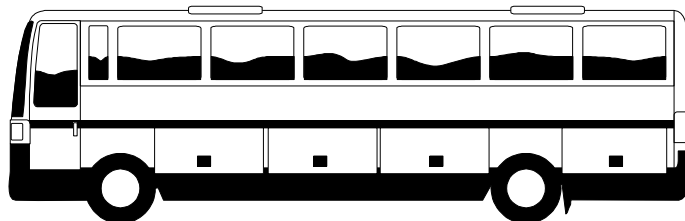
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Are you a budding player? If so, then we would like to see you at our junior netball training!

Thursdays: 6.00—7.00pm

Queen Elizabeth School sports hall, Kirkby Lonsdale

Open to all players of all abilities between years 6-9
(please wear suitable clothing and trainers)

£10.00 membership fee for the full year

For more information contact:

Louise Dawson

01524 782277 or 0777 136 4708

Kirkby Lonsdale Netball Club

Queen Elizabeth School Sports Hall

Thursdays: 7.00—8.30pm

For fitness or fun, competitive and non-competitive players. All abilities welcome—come along and try the first few sessions for free!

For more information contact:

Hannelie Pearson: 07789 441353

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Contact Lesley Gaulter on 01253 868550 or 07749 756992 or email: l.gaulter@talktalk.net and website: www.callaneticsblackpool.co.uk

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Burton Memorial Hall**

£36 for 6 sessions or £7 per session

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Book by telephone or in person when the Box Office is open from 10am to 1pm on Tuesdays and Fridays from September to May and prior to each performance.

Telephone 015395 64283 24 hour Answerphone

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Holme, Smithy Inn 6.30pm

£10 per person. Please pay before 1 April
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Nicola Stephens 07786 156648

Tickets £24 or £220 for table of 10

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For more details ring Peter Ellis, 781057



Activity Afternoons for the Over 50's

Monday 2 April Seated Exercise Class
2pm - 3.30pm at Holme Parish Hall. Cost
only £2.00 including refreshments. No need
to book.

Wednesday 25 April and then every 4th
Wednesday of the month, join the Silver
Songsters for an hour of singing popular
songs just for fun. 1.30pm – 3pm at Burton
Memorial Hall. Cost £3.00.

Ruth Taylor is the locally based **Village
Agent for Milnthorpe, Burton and Holme**
and can be contacted on **07787 201259** or
via the **Age UK South Lakeland Helpline**
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She is available to help older people access
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Burton News
**ANNUAL PUBLIC
MEETING**

Tuesday 17 April 7.30pm
Burton Memorial Hall
All welcome!

Burton Pre-School

Burton Memorial Hall

Chair: Kate Arkwright

Pre-School Manager: Nicola Braithwaite



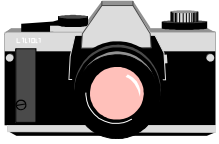
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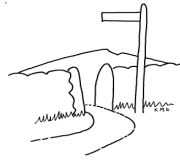
April Meetings

- Mon 3 Garstang Battle selection committee
 Fri 20 AGM
 Tues 24 Battle with Garstang at Garstang
 Wed 25 Annual Dinner at The Smithy, Holme
 Raffle

All meetings are held at Holme Parish Hall commencing at 8pm unless otherwise stated

Visitors welcome at all meetings

More info from: Paul Edmunds 01524 782181



BURTON FELLWALKING SOCIETY

April Walks

Sunday 1 April 1.00pm

Wansfell - 6 miles

Leader: Kath Kirkman

Saturday 21 April - 9.30am

Bigland Barrow - 8 miles

Leader: Clive Horsford

Wednesday 25 April - 1.00pm

Rosthwaite Heights

Leader: Celia Hunt ***

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 £2.00 Membership £8 from Jan 1st yearly
 More info from the secretary, Carole, on 782007
 or visit our website: <http://fellwalkers.burtonweb.org.uk>*



Holme & District Local History Society

<http://localhistory.burtonweb.org.uk>

Witherslack & the Winster Valley

Speaker: Mr W Johnston

Monday 16 April at 7.45pm

Burton Memorial Hall

Visitors welcome: £2



Burton W.I. meeting at **Burton Morewood School**

Thursday 12 April at 7.30pm

**Tai Chi
with Mike Leese**

New Members & Visitors Welcome!

Contact: Helena Nixon 781048



Borwick & Priest Hutton Gardeners Club

Annual Spring Lecture

**"Ideas from the back
gardens of Britain"**

Speaker: Matthew Briggs

Admission: ticket only

Tickets from Mrs A Lister 01524 734357

Tuesday 24 April at 7.30pm

Borwick & Priest Hutton Village Hall



Holme & District Flower Club

**Easter Extravaganza
Club based evening**

**Monday 2 April
at 7.30pm**

Preston Patrick Memorial Hall

Visitors welcome: £4 session

KEEP US POSTED!

If you are planning an event in Burton let us know and we'll add a free entry to the list which we publish in every issue. This gives your event more publicity and flags up potential clashes of dates. Let BN help you make the most of your event!

Editorial...

Spring has Sprung...

And how! Doesn't seem too long ago we were shivering and scraping ice from car windscreens but now there's nothing but blue skies and sunshine. A boon to wildlife too, your editors were alerted to a tapping on their window which turned out to be a pair of long-tailed tits feeding on insects on the glass - a pleasant interlude watching them flit to and fro. Much as we are enjoying the dry weather, we have to wonder if we get much more of it will we be joining the south in hosepipe bans! Will the UK ever manage the incredible amount of rainfall it gets every year? Surely enough for all our needs descends from the often laden skies? Anyway, by the time BN drops through your letterbox we may be building igloos, such is the wonderful English weather - no wonder it's a constant source of discussion!

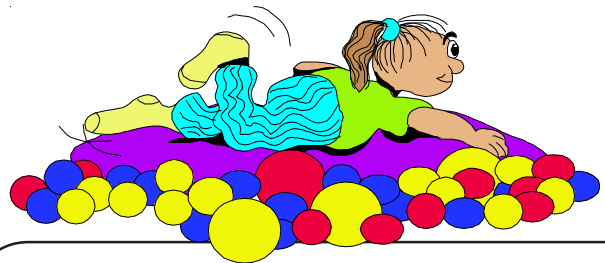
Moonlight, Blue Jeans and Joviality...

Along with the clear night skies recently we've been presented a heavenly spectacle in the form of the close proximity (well, from our viewpoint on Earth at least) of the crescent moon, Venus and Jupiter. Hopefully the skies will be clear on the 21 to 22 April too for the Lyrid meteor shower. It will be a new moon so that means dark skies, ideal for such activities, and the Lyrid's are renown for sudden bursts of high intensity: around 100 per hour plus long meteor trails. Look to the NE from 10pm onwards.

Closed for Easter...

Burton Memorial Hall that is, as it will be full of scaffolding and the electricity will be off, until 16 April when we'll see a big change to the main hall - new lights (ceiling and wall), and re-painted. Still work to be done before it will be ready for 'Jubiloo Day' but this can be done without needing to close. There will still be events in Burton such as the Daffodil Show at the Kings Arms so please don't forget to lend your support. Rainbows, Brownies and Guides rely on this yearly event to keep going.

AN & BJM



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Copy of advert should be put into a sealed envelope marked **BN Sales & Swaps** and left at the newsagents .

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BURTON NEWS

Please send us your letters - articles - events news - stories - recipes etc for publication

Drop them into The Newsagents, Main Street, Burton or send by e-mail to editor@burtonnews.org.uk

**NEXT MEETING 7.30pm
Tuesday 17 April in BMH**

**LAST DATE FOR COPY FOR NEXT ISSUE
20 April for the May issue**

N.B. Recycling Facilities at Burton Memorial Hall are currently unavailable due to the ongoing building work



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Every Friday at 6.15 pm

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Burton Indoor Bowling Club

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Memorial Hall Car Park

Fridays

10.30am - 11.15am

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Burton Tennis Club

Get fit and meet people. Any age and ability catered for. Join Burton Tennis Club. New membership open from 1 April. Competitions, local league teams. Coaching sessions and club nights and afternoons. Phone Phil Mann 782152 for details.

Burton Crown Green Bowling



We meet every Monday night from about 6.30 until 8.00 (ish) from about mid-March, and anyone wishing to try their hand will be more than welcome. More details from Malcolm Brownsord, Acting Chairman, tel: 01524 781405

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?

Library Coffee Morning

First Monday of Every Month

9.30 - 11.30am



Burton Memorial Hall



Cancer Care Cafe

Last Friday of every month

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Further details from 01524 381820

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Three art groups meet regularly in the Memorial Hall. If you are interested, why not contact the group leaders to find out more about each session?

Monday 2 pm - 4 pm Mary Newell, tel: 782749

Thursday 9.30 am - 12 noon Judith Ellis, tel: 781057

Friday 9.30 am - 12 noon Paula Firth, tel: 781984

LADIES BADMINTON

Ladies Badminton meets in the BMH every Tuesday from 1.30pm - 2.30pm. If anyone would like to join the group please ask for more details from Stephanie Micklethwaite on 781073.

S. Lakes Age Concern BURTON LUNCH CLUB (for over 55s)

The Burton Lunch Club meets every month in the Kings Arms, Burton. The club is open to anyone aged 55 or older. To join the club and book your lunch please contact Mrs Margaret Prady on 01524 781195.

COMMUNITY INFO

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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 742637

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

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Ash Trees Pharmacy
Market Street, Carnforth

Monday to Friday 7am to 11pm

Saturday 8am to 6.30pm

Sunday 8am to 6pm

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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	101
Kendal Library	01539 713520
Kendal Hospital	01539 732288
Lancaster Hospital	01524 65944

Council Switchboards

Cumbria County Council	01539 773000
SLDC	01539 733333

Civil Registration Services

Births, Marriages, Deaths

Registration of Births and Deaths is overseen by the Kendal Registrar's Office, based in County Hall, Kendal. Telephone 01539 773566 or send an e-mail to kendal.registeroffice@cumbriacc.gov.uk

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.

SLDC Recycling Information



Andy Vickers

Customer Contact Centre
on 0845 050 4434

email: recycling@southlakeland.gov.uk

Cumbria County Council Highways Hotline

0845 609 6609

to report road or pavement problems

BURTON-IN-KENDAL

PARISH COUNCIL

**Meetings are 3rd Thursday of every month
7.30pm in the Memorial Hall**

Meetings:

Members of the public are always welcome to observe. Each meetings includes an OPEN FORUM where parishioners may raise matters of concern to them.

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.

Agendas & Minutes & Contact Details:

These are available on the PC notice board outside the Memorial Hall, on the PC website, or on request from the Parish Clerk.

Website:

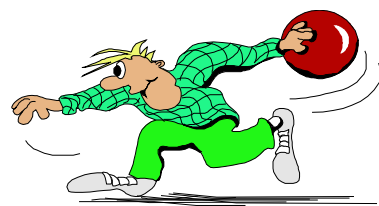
Documents relating to the PC may be downloaded or read online here:

www.burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk



**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT
THE CLERK - Peter Smith on 782198**

ADVANCE DIARY DATES



Age UK Seated Exercise Class, Mon 2 April 2.00 - 3.30pm, Holme Parish Hall

Daffodil Show, Easter Sunday 8 April, Kings Arms Burton

Author's Day, Saturday 21 April, 2pm-4pm, The Stable Yard, Dalton Hall, Burton

Ladies Day Fashion and Horse Racing Fun, Friday 27 April at 7.00pm. The Castle Green Hotel, Kendal

POLLING DAY, Thursday 3 May, 7am - 10pm, BMH

Fashion Show by Town & Country Fashions in aid of BMH, Friday 4 May at 7.30pm, BMH

Milestone Society Spring Meeting, Saturday 12 May, 10 am to 4 pm, BMH

Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 29 May, 7.30pm, BMH

Burton-in-Kendal Art & Craft Society Annual Exhibition, Sat 2 & Sun 3 June, 10am - 4pm, BMH

Holme & District LHS Jubilee Exhibition, Sat 2 & Sun 3 June, 10am - 4pm, BMH

Children's Sports Day & Carnival, Mon 4 June, Morewood School field

Jubiloo Day at the Memorial Hall, Tues 5 June, BMH

Age UK Happy and Active Event, Wed 6 June 11am - 3pm, BMH

Cumbria Family History Society, Sat 16 June 1.00 - 4.30pm, BMH

BADS Summer Production, Fri 22 and Sat 23 June, 7.30pm, BMH

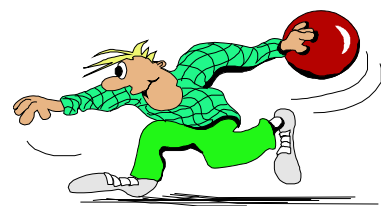
Burton Pre-school RETRO NIGHT! Saturday 7 July, 7.30pm, BMH

Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 24 July, 7.30pm, BMH

Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 25 September, 7.30pm, BMH

CraftMarket2012, Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 September, 10am-4pm, BMH

Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 27 November, 7.30pm, BMH



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BMS = Burton Morewood School

BCSC = Burton Children's Sports Committee
BADS = Burton Amateur Dramatic Society