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Dear BN,

#### 'The Silent Minority Speak Out'

I have monitored with interest the ongoing concerns of our Parish Council about the Plain Quarry.

The idea to landscape and provide a picnic area there seemed at first to be a worthy use of money from the quarry sustainability fund. That was until I read with horror about the proposal that a byelaw to prevent motor cycling was to try and be established.

As one who isn't of an ethnic or religious minority, I fully expect the council to ignore my pleas. Hopefully though Burton News will print my outcry. In Burton we are extremely privileged to have an outstanding recreational ground for ball orientated sports. Anyone interested in these areas of sport has a unique opportunity to use these facilities and nurture their skills. Burton has already produced athletes whom have represented our village at National levels. Hopefully we will produce more in the future because of the wonderful facilities we can provide.

Not everyone though wants to be the next Beckham or Henman, and ball sports aren't for everyone. People interested in motor sports need somewhere to make a start and practice. Trials bike riding is not a fast sport, but a very skilful one. By passing a byelaw to prevent biking at the Plain Quarry we could be putting obstacles in the way of a child who may represent us at a National level some day.

Have you ever passed the Plain Quarry at weekends or a summer's night to see the fathers tutoring, watching and showing their sons and daughters the art of trials bike riding. This has been going on for years and years for those who are newcomers to the village. Why should this change just because of some whims of people whom have nothing else better to complain about.

Areas like the Plain Quarry are few and far between, where else can people who have no land of their own practice and tutor their children; safety being paramount, leading by example.

People have expressed concerns as to the erosion that the bikes make. Are we to prevent all ramblers from walking? The erosion caused by this group of people has caused scars so extensive that they can be seen from space, yet no one would even dare to mention passing a bye-law to prevent their sport or hobby.

Are not bikes entitled to the same rights as walkers? Has no one considered the consequences of such a ban?

We live in an area where we have a fantastic network of footpaths for which I'm led to believe there are no legal paths through the quarry anyway, and we also already have a picnic area at Cinderbarrow.

If the Plain Quarry is closed to the trials riders as a practice area, this could force some to take to the woods illegally!

The Plain Quarry gives local individuals a chance to practice their sport without endangering the public or causing a nuisance to anybody.

Sometimes the minority needs to be heard and asked their views. Motor sport is not a dirty word!!

I speak as an individual, but also on behalf of many, who begs the parish council to contact myself or speak to some of the local riders who use the quarry.

I await your responses,

Yours truly, Maria Crayston, Vicarage Lane, Burton

Dear BN,

## Something you might like to know about the Blue Box Recycling Scheme

If you are having difficulty lifting and carrying the new blue recycling boxes - DO NOT DESPAIR! I rang SLDC Customer Services on 01539 733333 ext. 7340 to explain my predicament and lo and behold I was issued with a blue bucket with an integral lid and a long handle. It is rather like an indoor rubbish bin. It doesn't hold as much as the large bins but it is much easier to lift and carry, and you don't have to provide a missile to hold the lid on.

My neighbour followed my lead on seeing the one I received. She rang up at 9.00 am and it was delivered the same day at 2.15 pm! So the service is not only pleasant and helpful but speedy.

So pick up the phone if you want to avail yourself of this service. We are in for a lot more of these boxes; I am sure it would help SLDC if they could have some idea of the demand for their special boxes.

Alison Murphy, Burton

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#### Peter William Sandham 1951 - 2003

Judith, Joanne and Rebecca, would like to thank sincerely all of their relatives, friends and neighbours for the cards, letters, flowers and messages of sympathy and support following their sad loss of Peter.

Special thanks to Rev Paul Baxendale for his kind tribute to Peter and thanks also to the Wardens of St James' Church.

Donations collected in Church and by Edward Duckett & Son in excess of £2500 will be forwarded to the Macmillan Nurses and the Macmillan Unit at Lancaster.

### Thanks!

Bob and Alyson Yates would like to thank all our friends and neighbours in The Square for being so patient and understanding during the recent renovation works to our house. Thanks to everyone who gave words of encouragement and offers of help, your cheerfulness was much appreciated especially during the sandblasting when it felt like we were living in a sandy cave and The Square was like Blackpool beach!!

A. Yates, The Square House, Burton

#### Thank You

Roy Healey for cutting back our side and front garden hedges for us and for removing all the clippings. We can't tell you just how much we appreciate your help. Thank you!

Anne & Barry

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#### BURTON MEMORIAL HALL

The Memorial Hall is an essential contribution to life in our village. It is the home to a wide range of Groups & Organisations and forms the hub of community activity.

Burton Memorial Hall performs as a venue for an increasingly wide range of functions to meet the needs of people of all ages and from all walks of life. We are lucky to have such a multi-functional facility.

It was built in the 1950's and the demands of maintaining an up to date hall, with modern facilities, are growing.

Consequently we rely on the active participation of the Groups/Organisations, who use the hall, to assist us in our fund raising events (2 a year at present - Autumn Fayre & Christmas Bingo)

It is with regret, however, that despite all the activities taking place, organised by many Groups, some people within the community feel that life is still 'boring' and they resort to vandalism to satisfy their desires. The damage caused can only create further drain on resources to rectify!!

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The Management Committee hold regular quarterly meetings and usually they are poorly attended. Each Group/Organisation which uses the hall can elect a representative to attend these meetings.

It would be appreciated, therefore, if, in future, a greater number of representatives could attend to contribute to the meeting and enable different views/suggestions to be discussed... for the benefit of the Memorial Hall and the Community.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October @ 7.30pm, when the the main topic will be the arrangements for our first fund raiser of the year, the Autumn Fayre. This is to held on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October (10 am to 1 pm), in the hall.

We look forward to seeing you!!

Arthur Metcalfe Hon Treasurer



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#### Rebecca Lucy Sandham



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### Congratulations!

Silver Wedding
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great time at your party.
All our love always and forever,
Rebecca and Justin xxxx

Congratulations Jackie and Charlie on your Silver Wedding 9<sup>th</sup> September, love & best wishes, Susan, David, Kate, Richard, Sarah, lain and Joseph



18th Birthday

Have a very happy 18th birthday Sian on 24th September, lots of love,

Mum, Dad, Jonathon, Gavin and Sam xxx

#### **GCSE Success**



Congratulations Alex Driver on passing all of your GCSE's - we're delighted that you made the grades you wanted! Good luck with your A-level courses starting September.
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For about a decade and a half it had been one of my dearest wishes to climb a V.S. rock route once I was 70. Call it an attempt to keep old age at bay, a refusal to give in to the usual weakening of the joints and muscles. I accept that.

V.S. means Very Severe in the climbers' code. Since there are now nine harder grades, V.S.

is not an amazing degree of difficulty. It's the level I was most comfortable at in the 1970s and '80s when I was climbing regularly. The Lake District crags bristle with excellent V.S. routes. The soaring Crack on Gimmer, Langdale, first climbed in 1928. Overhanging Bastion on the Castle Rock of Triermain near Thirlmere, where at one point high up

you feel you're stepping out into mid-air. Eagle Front in Birkness Combe, above Buttermere, which I climbed with its author, landscape painter and ex-miner Bill Peascod, when he was 61.

Such are some of the milestones on the way to my goal in July this year: Grooved Arete on the Rannoch Wall of Buachaille Etive Mor, a

thousand feet above the great moor between Crianlarich and Glen Coe. On a cool, dry, overcast Saturday I headed for it with my eldest and youngest sons. They can climb long, overhanging routes so today they're humouring their ageing Dad. We're also renewing the comradeship of the Seventies and early Eighties when for a time each of them was my chief climbing partner.

The trek up the cliff seemed endless. The eastern face of the massive mountain gets more and more tortuous as you near it. It's seamed and split and crumpled into a maze of towers and buttresses channelled by chutes

where scree pours down from the heights. Many thousands of boots, transporting heavy packs of gear, have churned the stone into a ricketty maze. As we round the shoulder of the massif, the head of a red deer peeks up in silhouette, big ears visible for a minute until she melts into the shaggy heather.



Grooved Arete strikes straight upwards, looking vertical although it must be less than that. An inch-deep ledge is distinct at fifteen feet. Above that, what do you do? Where are the holds? Neil moved up with the deliberate, infallible-seeming moves of fingers and toes which make good climbers look as though they're playing chess. Once he's ensconced in a kind of eyrie eighty feet up, it's my turn.

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My arms and legs feel feeble, my mind still more so. The grip of my finger-ends on the good little ledge begins to stabilise my watery guts. Once I've joined Neil I'm starting to feel, Yes, I can do this, just about.

The view out eastward is huge. Mountains I've never touched stand up dim and grey-blue at the other end of Argyll and Perthshire glens. The moor below us is a green-brown tapestry dappled with glowing spots where sunbeams are striking through the overcast. Right here, when it's my turn to follow Pete upwards, things aren't so beguiling or beautiful. How on earth can I make the steps out onto the rockface? As I swither, Neil's voice from nearby says, 'Wee ledge at your left foot.' The rock is so steep that I can't easily crane downwards to see holds through the upper half of my bifocals and they're too far away to focus through the lower half. Dilemma of the ageing climber! I tiptoe sideways, then up, and the route begins to flow. The larger grain of the rock (rhyolite, like Gimmer) is up-anddown. The micro-grain is sideways and consists of tiny raised edges as rough as sharkskin. Wonderful friction for the feet. In the middle of this bare wall I can lodge my toes on little knobs with perfect confidence and slowly overcome the old familiar feeling of being adrift on a frozen grey sea.

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PHONE: BURTON IN KENDAL 01524 781447 because I'm 'getting into my stride'. Haul up a corner with hands gripping a big jammed block. Swing out rightward with fingers hooked onto a solid edge. I should have - could have - led this pitch instead of relying on my sons' still-youthful expertise (they're 43 and 38). At night, encamped in Glen Etive, over a meal of lentil curry and Irish malt whiskey, the dear lads agree that we'll go for another V.S. next year and carry on like that until ageing grounds me at last.



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From South Lakeland District & Cumbria County Councillor R.K Bingham The Smithy, Ackenthwaite, Milnthorpe, Cumbria, LA7 7DH

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Surprise! Surprise! My hopes expressed in the July 'Burton News' that we might be in for a real summer were borne out - so I hope you all enjoyed the sun. Firstly, CONGRATULATIONS to our local students who have gained excellent results in their GCSEs and A levels. Queen Elizabeth and Dallam are amongst the best performing Comprehensive Schools in the country and the results reflects great credit on their hardworking students, their supporting parents, and also on their teachers both at the secondary schools and at the crucial Primary stage.

But I have an old grouse: yet again QES's results were published in 'The Times' as being from Queen Elizabeth School, 'Carnforth' - wrong town, wrong LEA and wrong status - as Carnforth is an 11-16 school which does not do A levels. Years ago I fought the alien Post Code issue when Morewood School won the TV carol competition and was publicised as a Carnforth school complete with a 'still' of that town by way of illustration. Also several Burton residents have experienced insurance problems as the Lancashire Postal Code areas may cost more. I used to raise our Post Code annoyances and other issues at the Post Office Advisory Council, until it was abolished by the Government in 2001. If you have any problems please let me know. Thankfully, we still retain our Post Offices in Burton and Holme. But if we don't use them we'll lose them!

Although we are still getting flak from this year's Council Tax rises we are already planning the Budget for 2004-2005. The good news is that the final accounts for 2002-03 show Cumbria was within budget. The budget was £411,253m,

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the actual spend £409,842. Controversially £1m of the £1.5m surplus is likely to be used to top up the Council's Pension Fund which like the private sector has been hit by the Stock Market slump. Unlike private schemes Local Authorities are not allowed to pay reduced pensions.

Regrettably, we over spent on winter road maintenance and on waste management. Hopefully the District Council's Blue Box recycling scheme should reduce land fill charges. Also look out for the Green Waste collection which is starting soon. Cumbria has reduced delayed discharges from hospitals 'bed blocking' with 22 cases in 2002 compared to 44 in 2001. So that's good news too! The main pressure on the Budget is likely to be a drop in the Government's Revenue Support Grant. In 2001-02 Central Government paid 72% of Local Government costs. In 2002-03 this was cut to 68% but it could be reduced again. Therefore, Councils are faced with either cutting services (like SLDC's Public Conveniences) or increasing the Council Tax. Hence this year our tax went up by 11.9%. The FACT that this was amongst the lowest increase in the Kingdom is not much consolation when set against the high cost of living in our area. Because of high house prices the average South Cumbrian household pays 28% of its income in housing costs compared to the National average of 18%. Yet, the average household income for Cumbria is £17,000 p.a. while the UK average is £23,300. The Government 'early figures' suggest a Council Tax rise of 6% just to maintain existing services, pay rises etc. before reductions in the Revenue Support Grant.

This year a big reason for the Council Tax rise was the increase in National Insurance for Cumbria's 16,000 employees which added 2% on the 'rates'. Hopefully this might not be as

bad next year and we are continuing with staff reduction and efficiency schemes. The biggest single cost is £138m for teachers salaries - out of the predicted 2004-2003 Budget of £470m and the biggest challenge for the County is the cost of surplus places in schools. But as the Lowick School saga shows reducing costs by closing schools is a long, bitter and costly process. Our own village schools happily are still financially as well as educationally viable.

Another unpredictable cost will be road maintenance. I was told recently that 'the Council has no statutary obligation to grit roads, only to clear snow' but no one wants cuts in the already poor service we get - so that's another battle to fight.

I have replaced the late Peter Jackson as a Trustee of Sir C. C. Grundy's Charity for the Poor. The Trustees make grants of about £170 p.a. to people in need or who might be faced with unbudgeted expenditure. Beneficiaries need not be destitute and can be of any adult age although most are older people on state benefits or small pensions. If anyone would like this help please let me know - or write to Mr. A. MacPhie, Rickson's Solicitors, 6 Winckley Sq., Preston PRJ 3JJ. No one other than the trustees and auditors will know of any application or grant.

The Grange By-Election, caused by Peter Jackson's death, on the 24th July was won by a Conservative, Bill Waring, with 1,229 votes. The Liberal Democrat candidate got 556 and the Labour one 71. The poor turnout of 37% - was probably caused by 'election fatigue' as Grange had, already, had District elections in May and Town Council elections in June!

Both the County and District Councils continue to debate the government's proposals for Regional Government. Many members are worried that the Cumbrian/South Lakeland voice could to be drowned in a Regional Assembly dominated by Manchester and Merseyside as Cumbria will only have two members. If a

Regional Assembly comes in then both the County and the six District Councils will be abolished and replaced by Unitary Authorities. Each Unit would look after District functions like housing along with County functions like Education. No one can make up their minds about the Units' boundaries. If forced to do so South Lakeland would opt to be linked with Barrow. Barrow wants a Morecambe Bay authority of Barrow, South Lakeland, Lancaster and Morecambe. The County wants a single County authority. I do not want this as District needs like housing in South Lakeland are widely different to those in distant parts of the County like Maryport. The County now says that if a Unitary Cumbria is not allowed it would accept two units of Carlisle, Eden and Allerdale in one unit with Copeland, South Lakeland and Barrow in the other. Trying to link Dent with Whitehaven in one 'Unit' does not make sense to me - so the best thing might be to vote for the Status Quo if we have a referendum.

SLDC's finances are in better shape now that we have joined the select group of authorities which are DEBT FREE and which have not had to sell our council houses to do so. But the financial pressures remain high. Thus, there are doubts that the recommendation for more dog wardens made by the General Purposes Committee (which I chair) will be possible. We may remain debt free but we may never be free from nuisances caused by a minority of irresponsible owners of dogs. SLDC is currently conducting a Housing Needs survey so you may be sent forms to fill in. If asked, please state your needs (or lack of needs) rather than what you think might be the needs of others. So far the surveys confirm the need for cheaper family houses and for privately owned sheltered accommodation for older people. We've also learned that many older people would stay in their own homes if they could get help with gardening. I will let you know what the local survey shows. Until then let us look forward to a golden autumn. Roge Brighon



Burton Bowling Club

Since my last report in the June issue the Kendal & District League Team have played a brilliant season, with 21 matches played won 17, lost 4, and are League leaders with 147 points over Holme 'C' with 137 points and Lower Holker 'C' in third place with 128 points,

With 5 matches remaining, 3 of which are against the 2<sup>nd</sup>,3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> teams in the League positions promises to be a battle to the end, cumulating in the last match of the season on Sept  $4^{th}$  at home to Lower Holker 'C', 6.30 pm start.

The South Lakeland Rural League have also played a brilliant season, albeit at times with a depleted squad, are currently in 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the League behind Kirkby Lonsdale with 3 matches remaining.

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September is a busy month for the Club with the Autumn Doubles Floodlit Competition kindly sponsored by Mossdale Filling Station, the qualifying rounds are on Sept 11th, 15th, 17th and 23rd with the Finals on Sat Sept 27th.

Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> is the first round of the David Skidmore Floodlit Trophy which Burton are hosting along with Kirkby Lonsdale (Burton won in 2001), with the quarter finals on Friday

19th and semi finals on Friday 25th.

Sunday the 21st - Burton are hosts to the Kendal & District Division 1

Championships.

#### '100 Club' Winners

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#### BURTON INDOOR BOWLING CLUB

We have been enjoying our Indoor Bowls for the last 12 years, and membership has been full. Recently we have purchased a new mat and can now accept a maximum of 4 new members.

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If you would like to know more, or have a bowl, why not join us on Sept. 3rd, or Sept 17th?

John Wood, Chairman Tel: 01524 782121

[Editorial Note: Our apologies to John - his telephone number somehow managed to gain an extra digit in the July issue. We've corrected it this month.]

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Cinderbarrow

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Special Inclusive tickets are being obtained to allow a 'One Way' route for you. This means you can proceed via the various Stations Damens - Oakworth, Haworth, Oxenhope, return direct to Keighley and back to Ingrow West.

Each of the six Stations has an interest for most people with Loco Sheds, Carriage Sheds open for visits etc. Oakworth was the setting for the classic film "The Railway Children". Also Haworth is famous for the Bronte Sisters and the Parsonage and Museum is open in the village. There are several cafes and restaurants on the Stations plus picnic areas. Depart 5.0pm from Ingrow West - Return time at Carnforth approx. 6.30pm.

Cost: £15.00 Adult and £12.00 Child U16. Cheques payable please to:-"Carnforth Station Trust" Seatoller, Vicarage Lane, Burton in Kendal, Cumbria, LA6 1NW

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### QUARRY VISIT



You will have read in the Parish Council minutes, which are posted on the notice board outside the Memorial Hall, that the Holme Park Quarry Liaison Committee (on which Burton PC is represented) received a grant from the Aggregate Levy Sustainability Fund/English Nature for a variety of landscape/access work in the parishes of Burton and Holme.

To give you an opportunity to visit Holme Park quarry and to hear more of what we are doing we have organised an evening visit, leaving the Memorial Hall at 6.00pm on Thursday 11th September. The trip will include the disused Plain Quarry, the very active Holme Park Quarry and the Local Nature Reserve. Two mini buses are being provided by Holme Park Quarry and there will be representatives from the Quarry and from the Liaison Committee's Sustainability Fund Committee to give information and answer any queries.

The trip is free of charge and open to anyone over the age of 16. Places are limited so to reserve your place please telephone Jane Hopwood 781248. The trip will be a great chance to see the inside of a working quarry and to see the contrast between that and the nature reserve which borders it and to learn how the two co-exist happily! Book early!

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H.H.Gunson, Treasurer.

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### **Burton Morewood School**

Welcome to this, our first feature special - four pages on happenings in Burton village school.

We start with results from the Summer Poetry Competition, then look through some of the work done by the children in the last school

term and the school sports day results, and finish off with the prizewinners from the Local History Society project competition.

BN would like to thanks everyone in school for making us so welcome on our visit.

In June *Burton News* organised a poetry competition for children. Year 6 were asked to write poems on *'Our Village'*, of any length and in any form, regular or free. Fifteen poems were sent in. They pictured Burton as quite a paradise. Words like 'neat' and 'peaceful', 'happy' and 'friendly' cropped up often. Without exception the girls and boys liked living here and relished our amenities - the tennis court, the fields nearby, the Memorial Hall, the church - even the pubs, where you can 'have a pint but not too much'.

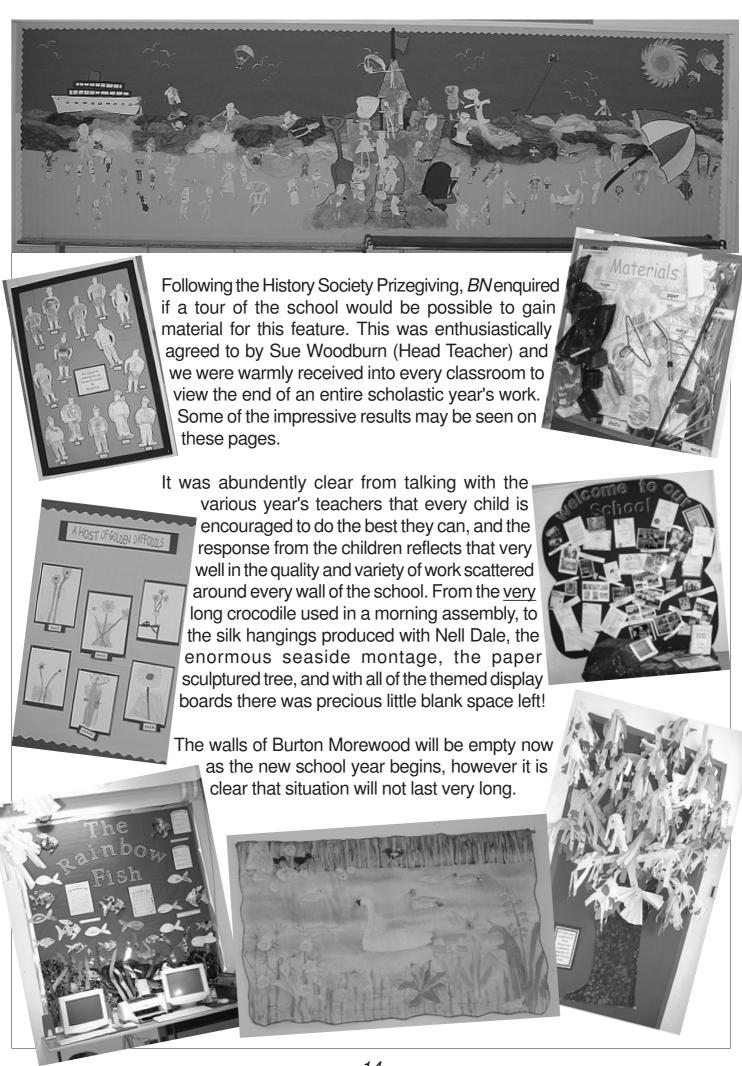
Most of the poems rhymed, either in couplets or in the four-line ballad verse. The best poem was judged to be Vicky Brooks's 'The Bowling Green', which is fairly irregular in form. This piece does not rush through a long list of good things about Burton. Instead it takes time to explore its subject in full. The details are well seen - the shiny ball, the wetness of puddles in the gutter, and especially the 'calm' and 'quiet' in verse 3, which are exactly right for the gliding of a bowl across close-cut turf.

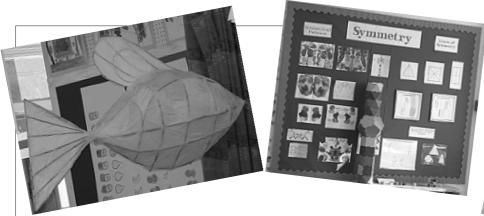
The poem with its apt and pleasing lay-out is printed alongside. Vicky gets the prize. The Children's Treasury of Classic Poetry, 176 pages, fully illustrated.

Many thanks to all the children who worked on their poems and to the Head, Sue Woodburn, who ran the competition in school.

D.C.









children and a fish lantern made for the Ulverston Lantern Parade

Left: Storytime with the Bear is a great favourite with the younger children

Below: The biggest croc you ever did see!



Below: Award winners for children in year 5 & 6 presented on Sports Day, held this year on the 18th July. The awards are allocated by secret ballot by the children themselves.



#### Holme and District Local History Society and Burton Morewood School



# The Local History Project Competition

When BN was asked to report on the biennial History Project Prizegiving at Burton Morewood School we readily agreed. Held every two years, the projects may be on any aspect of local history of the child's choosing, and this year's entries saw a wide variety of topics - from the Lancaster Canal to the Royal Hotel, the Church & the school, various features of the village, and even Gatebeck Gunpowder Works and Carnforth.

Cllr Roger Bingham presented the prizes and Kath Hayhurst and Barbara Wood represented the Holme & District Local History Society, with your *BN* editors along to take notes and photos.

Roger of course was his usual ebullient self and relished his role, giving a short resume of the individual projects by the children of year 5 plus some insights into where those projects fitted into the rich history of Burton.



The variety of projects undertaken and the quality of the work done must have made the choosing of the winners very difficult but in the end there had to be three overall 'best', so well done to Rachel Dawson (1st Prize), Andrew Clarke (2nd Prize) & Sam Duckett (3nd Prize) (pictured above with Mrs Barbara Wood, Cllr Roger Bingham, Mrs Kath Hayhurst & School Head, Mrs Sue Woodburn.)

Below: Children in Year 5 holding their local history project topics along with Cllr Roger Bingham who made the prize presentations





#### NEWS

### Club to open every day

The Out of School Club is constantly looking to improve the service it offers to parents in Burton. To meet the needs of working parents. it has been decided that from 2 September 2003 its hours of opening will be extended.

The club will be open every weekday, in the morning from 7.30am and the evening till 6.00pm. We believe this will give parents more flexibility and security in their work or training.

#### **Reduced Fees**

From September 2003, there will be reduction in fees for morning sessions. The new fee will be £2.00. The afternoon session remains the same at £5.00. The committee are also considering providing concessions for parents with more than one child using the club.

#### **Extraordinary General Meeting**

On Monday 15 September at 7.00pm there will be an EGM in the school hall. All welcome.

#### The Agenda for the meeting will include:

Election of officers to the committee Financial Statement 2002-3 New members

Future provision

**Fees** 

**Policies** 

If you would like to add anything to this agenda please contact a committee member.

#### Contact us

Members of the committee are all parents who use and benefit from the out of school club service. We are committed to securing the club's future as a service to the parents of children in Burton. We are looking for new committee members and new ideas, so if you

think you could help us please contact any of the committee members below:

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#### HISTORICAL FOOTNOTE by Roger Bingham

### **Show Day - 1863**

I'm sure that everybody regrets that Burton Show has not been staged this year. I am sorry, also, that my fears for the survival of this and other activities have been borne out, if only for the time being. Over a year ago as a witness at Lord Hoskin's Foot and Mouth Disease Inquiry I stated that one of the consequences of the disaster might be that events which had been cancelled for the crisis might not revive when the emergency was over.

140 years ago no one had any doubts about the 1863 Show which was celebrating its thirtieth year. As the Burton Show was founded in 1833 it was the second oldest local show after the Kendal or County Show, which started in 1799. But in 1837 a rival show began at Milnthorpe which out classed Burton by having 22 classes compared to Burton's half a dozen. But by 1850 both shows were foundering and so the two committees came together to become the Burton and Milnthorpe Agricultural Society to which Carnforth was eventually added. For the next 80 years the show was staged in successive years at Burton, Milnthorpe and Carnforth before opting for Burton as the permanent venue. At first it was held in Dalton Park, then Curwen Woods with

a spell at Carnforth Level and then Nether Kellet where, nevertheless, we still called it 'Burton' Show.

The 1863 'Burton Show' was held at Milnthorpe. Unfortunately our neighbouring farmers did not do particularly well. The main Burton prize winner was the Squire of Dalton Hall, E.G. Hornby esq., who got firsts for 'South Down and Shropshire breeds' of sheep with a special commendation for the 'best tup'. He also won a guinea prize for the best managed farm. In the horse classes Mr Richard Bainbridge of Holme won a first for the best two year old gelding, with Mr James Bell of Overthwaite getting the second prize. But the judges did not think much of the 'equine' classes. At the dinner at Milnthorpe's Cross Keys Mr Welch, one of the Inspectors, declared that 'although there had been some very good stock on show the yearling fillies were a very bad lot ("Hear. Hear") and he hoped and trusted that those who brought them would next year leave them at home ("Hear, Hear"). Lord Bective from the Underley Estate at Kirkby Lonsdale regretted that there was no agricultural machinery on display as 'he humbly (!) submitted to the tenant farmers of the County of Westmorland the great



the holidays. Please come and look around.

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advantages of ...the haymaking machine which would enable the farmers to get in the crop quickly in good weather if we get it' ("laughter"). Perhaps the asperity of the remarks and also the enthusiastic responses resulted from full lubrication. Starting with 'The Queen', 'The Prince of Wales', 'The Royal Family', and going on to 'The Member of Parliament' etc. etc. there were over a dozen toasts proposed - and drunk. The Chairman, John Wakefield esq., of Sedgwick, was in euphoric mood.

Agriculture was in 'good heart' despite an economic depression caused by the Cotton Famine resulting from the disruption of the American Civil War. 'The agricultural interest embraced the most wealth and influential an interest as any in Great Britain. The country had a great deal of distress to lament and it was, therefore, a matter of great rejoicing that we had such a harvest at such a time which had been the best in the recollection of the oldest men. He was also glad to say that the condition of the labouring class was beginning to excite attention and he had no doubt that the effects now being made for the improvement of their dwellings and indeed of their condition generally would end in a good result'. It had been a good Show and a good dinner. Lets hope that we can one day look forward to another 'Burton, Milnthorpe and Carnforth Show' - at Burton.



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#### 1st BURTON BROWNIES

The Guiding Association has recently introduced an exciting new Brownie Programme, so this term we have been very busy trying to raise funds to purchase new Handbooks and Badge Books. On Sport's Day we ran a nail painting stall, and in June we took part in a sponsored 26 challenge. To complete the challenge the girls chose to do a Nature Walk to 'spot' 26 things - each beginning with a different letter of the alphabet. The girls raised over £200 half of which went to the charity Children with Leukaemia. We are planning to hold more fundraising events in September, including a Coffee Morning.

Our Brown Owl Shirley Middleditch has moved up to Scotland, so from September Jacqui Earl will be taking over. Carrie Morphet and Linda Wilson will continue as leaders. Brownie meetings are held on Monday evenings during term time in the Memorial Hall between 17.30 and 19.00. If your daughter is interested in joining Brownies, please contact Jacqui Earl on 781723.

Carrie Morphet

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11-00	Family Service at Holme
6-30	Evening Prayer (BCP) at Burton

#### September 21st

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	No Evening Service at Burton

#### September 28th

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14 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Barbara Ludlam & Anne Guy	4
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#### The Vicar writes...

### Where can rest be found?

"If you probe the human heart you will find a want - and that want is rest." So said American evangelist D.L. Moody over a hundred years ago. The situation hasn't changed. Today the cry of the world is still: "Where can rest be found?" We want rest. Rest from work, worry, stress, people, sickness; rest from tedium and routine. This is why the holiday industry is booming. For many people the year is something to get through until their next holiday. Millions live for holidays. Why? Because we want rest.

But if holidays provided the rest we really desire then there would be no need for another holiday next year. Having just returned from our summer holiday we're already planning our next one. The rest that holidays provide is temporary and unsatisfactory. It's not just holidays that we look to for rest is it? Many seek rest in wealth, human relationships, power, fame and education. But they're not finding it and the cry remains: where can rest be found?

The Bible says there is no rest in any of these things because they don't deal with the cause of our unrest, namely sin. Our rejection of God is the reason for our unrest. Our insistence on going our own way has separated us from God and severed the relationship with Him for which He created us.

So how do we get relief from this restlessness that gnaws away at our souls? We go to Jesus who has dealt with the problem. On the cross He bore our sin and took the punishment we deserve to bring us into relationship with God. Jesus said: "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

Are you weary and burdened? Does your heart cry out for rest? Then come to Jesus. He will give you rest of heart now and bring you, ultimately, to that great rest above.

Only He can do this for us. There is no rest outside of Christ, for no-one comes to the Father except through Him. (John 14:6) St. Augustine was right when he prayed: "You have made us for yourself O God and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you."

If you were privileged enough to have a summer break, I sincerely hope you had a great time. But my prayer for all of us is that, above everything else, we will enjoy that true rest, that deep peace, joy and security that comes from being in relationship with God through faith in Jesus. That's the kind of rest we all need and, unlike our holidays, it lasts forever.

Paul

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### LOTTERY AND LOCAL COMPANIES FUND "GREEN" PLAYGROUNDS IN BURTON

Children at the Morewood Primary School in Burton in Kendal are over the moon with the new surface for their playgrounds. The surface made of recycled tyre rubber replaces a bark surface laid over 6 years ago, which had all but disappeared through years of heavy use.

Had it not been for a lottery grant of £5,000 and the generosity of two local companies, the playgrounds would have been closed because of concerns over the safety of the old surface.

TDG Plc in Carnforth donated £1.000 in sponsorship to the re-surfacing and Aggregate Industries, Holme Park Quarry supplied all the aggregate needed under the new surface.

Sue Woodburn, Head Teacher at Burton Morewood Primary School says, "We were worried that the playgrounds would have to be closed to all the children which would have been very sad as they are used not only during school time but are used by the village's children outside of school time as well. They would have been a great loss to the village community.

The Lottery grant was a great start for us but was not enough to pay for the quality of playground surface we needed, so we were

very grateful when TDG and Holme Park Quarry offered us sponsorship and materials.

We are delighted with the new surface – it's clean, hard wearing and safe, and the children think it's great too. To think we have also been able to help the environment by using recycled materials is a real bonus."

Mick Wilson, Operations Manager at TDG says, "We were pleased to support this project. As a grand parent I know how valuable these kinds of facilities are for children in small villages like Burton in Kendal. The new surface looks superb."

Geoff Topham, Quarry Manager at Aggregate Industries, Holme Park Quarry says, "We try to help out the local community whenever we can. It was great to be able to help by donating some of the materials needed to construct the playground. We hope the children will be able to enjoy it for years to come"





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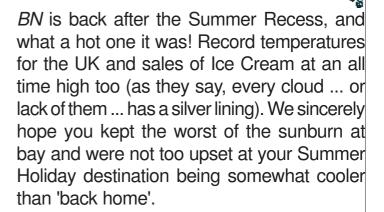
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## BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

The **Parish Council** meets every month on the third Thursday in the month at 7.30 pm in the 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. Minutes of the last meeting are always available on the Parish Council noticeboard outside the Memorial Hall.

For further information, contact The Clerk - Janet Alderson 01524 781149

#### Editorial...



It's also Back to School time and in this issue we have our first Feature Special which coincidentally is on Burton Morewood School, so don't miss this on the centre pages. There will be more Features in future issues as space and printing costs permit.

Clubs and Societies are now beginning their Autumn and Winter programmes so it's a good time to remind those who produce them to send copies to BN for inclusion in the Diary and Events section. You can send details each month or a copy of your year's calendar - either way we'll make sure that they are included. If your club or society has a logo send us a copy of that too - we can use it along with your event notices and it helps build up your identity within *BN*.

Once again this is a bumper issue. Twenty-eight pages seems to be becoming the standard size for *BN* as we are receiving more copy each month. From the Committee's point of view it is gratifying that so many more people are sending us copy for the magazine. There is an increased cost in the larger issues of course, and although at present *BN* has sufficient funds to continue for the next year, we still depend on both our advertisers and you, our readers, to keep us going. Thank you one and all.

AN & BJM

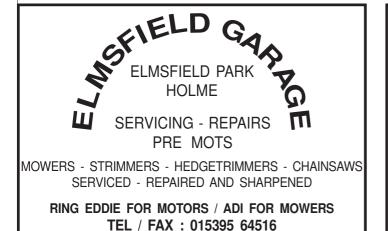
### An Opinion...

#### IT'S ALL DONE WITH MIRRORS

Comments on the goings-on of the Parish Council

The outstanding quality of this August meeting was that it lasted longer than ever. Important issues were raised, true, but they were hardly ever resolved. Recommendations for application for funding of various types were made, but, as one P.Cllr. expostulated, these never seemed to reach fruition, and if we didn't get a move-on, opportunities for grants would slip away.

- Improvements are now completed on the Boon Town playing field, and it looks spandier than ever.
- SLDC has now taken responsibility for the footpath from Main Street to the south end of Morewood Drive which means, hopefully, that more care will be taken of it.
- 3. A proposal for a Youth Shelter was well received. (Note: this is the first mention of the idea in B.N. Let's see how long it takes to happen...)
- 4. Consideration is to be given to siting rumble strips on Main Street. Suggestions for possible sitings were Heron Syke and opposite the school.
- 5. It is very possible that Permitted Access will be granted through Dalton Crags (a.k.a. Dalton Woods.)



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#### **Plain Quarry**

It all depends on your point of view whether you think this is a Good Thing that's almost certainly going to happen. Design of the picnic site, leaflets, information board, parking, access via stiles (to make sure you go where they want you to), and the request to Cumbria C.C. to move the stored road products all met with the approval of the P.Cllrs. present. However, it was also pointed out that planning permission would have to be applied for, and at this stage people would have the opportunity to put suggestions or voice unease.

One Burtonian A.O. spoke to referred to the plan as the 'suburbanisation' of the site. The Open Forum, where Burtonians can express their views, once again came into its own. In a way. Here A.O. always feels tremendous admiration for those plucky enough to approach a whole Parish Council often holding sympathies opposite to those proposed. Not everyone has practice in public speaking (and it might be a good thing to introduce it in schools). The Parish Council knows the score. They always seem sympathetic, listening and caring, etc. But I can't recall a single instance of them changing their mind as a result of some brave Burtonian's pleas.

So it was that the cry to leave the Plain Quarry as a Free Site, if that's the right term, where young motor-cyclists, mountain bikers, horse

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boxes, or whatever can congregate, was sympathetically squashed. What is the ultimate squasher? INSURANCE CLAIMS, and the fears thereof. Gradually this spectre is stifling huge areas of initiative, though it's a handy reason for rejecting plenty of projects.

#### The Division of the County

Terribly important, but yawn, yawn! just the same. Do we want the county to be divided along the 'M6 corridor' - i.e., I think, from east to west (A.O.'s comment: won't all the richest, and nicest, bits be on the west?), or, as the Burton P.C. recommends, 'SLDC and Barrow to form Cumbria South or New Westmorland, and Allerdale, Copeland, Eden, and Carlisle to form Cumbria North or New Cumberland'? It can't stay as it is, so forget that one.

#### The Mirror

I can hardly bear to tell you this - there is a suggestion for a mirror at the head of Tanpits Lane! You may have read this before. But at least this mirror is a different shape.

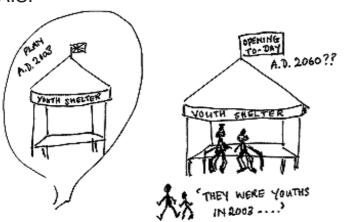
#### The 'Flood Site' at Clawthorpe

Mirrors were sent down the drain to check on possible obstruction. But they couldn't detect anything, because of the obstruction - possibly.

#### Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

On September 18 at 7.30 p.m. Terry Belshaw will talk about this, before the next Parish Council meeting. (See PC notice in the B.N.) Remember to lock up before you come.

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The *Allstars* held a small meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> July to discuss future events, particularly what is hoped to be the next annual village performance. This has been provisionally booked for Friday and Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> February 2004. The proceeds are to be divided between a village activity and a charity of the band's choosing.

Provided all necessary legal obligations can be met, it was also decided that an outdoor event would be held on the Recreation Trust grounds next summer, possibly in the form of a small festival during the day with a grand finale in the evening. Knebworth eat your heart out.

Judith Sandham has kindly donated two microphones and stands in memory of Peter, who was one of the founding members of the band, and the *Allstars* thank her for this kind gesture. The February gig will effectively be a tribute to Pete.

The Memorial Hall has been booked for every Sunday for the foreseeable future for practice, so would all members please turn up (it's about to get serious) between 2 o'clock and six o'clock?

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- 11. Heaviest Onion
- 12. Vase of Flowers
- 13. Pot Plant
- 14. 3 Chrysanths
- 15. Vase of Dahlias
- 16. 5 Dessert Apples
- 17. 5 Cooking Apples
- 18. Decorated Chocolate Cake
- 19. Sponge Cake
- 20. Fruit Pie
- 21. 6 Shortbread Biscuits
- 22. Currant Pasty

## Childrens Classes up to year 2

- 23. Animal made from vegetables
- 24. Miniature Garden
- 25. Collage made from natural materials

## Childrens Classes year 3 to 6

- 26. Animal made from vegetables
- 27. Miniature Garden
- 28. Collage made from natural materials



### **Bass Player Wanted!**

The *Allstars* would like to hear from any bass player who would like to join the *Allstars*. Please contact Mo and Kelly on 781447 or Bill Whewell on 782049.

#### **Annual Gift Subscriptions**

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#### REMINDER.

Please don't forget to feed the birds as it starts to get colder at night







Drawings prepared for Planning Permission and Building Regulations also

Maintenance / Repairs carried out Domestic Extensions

Boundary Bank, Underbarrow Road Kendal, Cumbria LA9 5RR Tel: 01539

or Telephone Burton 781248

### Diary & Events

Holme & District Photographic Society

### **September Meetings**

Holme Village Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> "Egypt 2" - Speaker: J Houghton Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Chairman's Evening - Raffle Entries for Jessops Open Competition

Fri 19th No meeting

Fri 26th L&CPU Slides Year 2

Visitors welcome at all meetings

Tuesday Club

### **September Meetings**

Tuesdays 2<sup>nd</sup>,16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> 2.00 - 4.00 pm

Burton Memorial Hall

New members welcomed

St James' Church Fellowship Service
BURTON MEMORIAL HALL

Sunday 28th September – 9.30 am

#### **'WHY DID JESUS COME?'**

SPEAKER: PAUL BAXENDALE

Come and join us at this informal service! Contemporary music; children's activities; creche

All very welcome!

## Burton Children's Sports Committee **AGM**

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 Burton Memorial Hall

## Burton Memorial Hall Quarterly Meeting

Thursday 9th October at 7.30 pm

In the Reception Room, BMH

#### **BMH = Burton Memorial Hall**

Circuit Training Starting again 1st Sept....

Every Monday 8.30 p.m. Burton Memorial Hall

Improve your
Strength & Endurance
Cardio-vascular System
Body Composition & Flexibility

For further info call John 01524 781707

### BURTON RECREATION TRUST

### **FUN RUN**

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2003 at 11 am start training now! If you would like to become involved, or know of any sponsors (excellent publicity!), please contact Sarah Jones 781113

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**Burton Memorial Hall** 

Thursday September 11th at 7.30 pm

### LIFE IN NEPAL Speaker: Stephen Cottam

Competition: A Holiday Postcard Hostesses: Mrs H Nixon Mrs V Page Guests & new members welcome For further information tel 781506

Holme & District Local History Society

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7.30 p.m. Burton Memorial Hall

"Shap Abbey & Preston Patrick"
Mr Harry Hawkins

Visitors welcome

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