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By Kath Hayhurst

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EDITORIAL

Welcome to your bumper March edition of Burton News. We hope you enjoy reading this issue, as it is jam packed full of articles, updates and reports from around the village. As a committee we are working hard to ensure the long term financial future of Burton News, and we have made a decision to try to put a limit on the size of the newsletter but we keep getting sent so much content to include that it is making it almost impossible!

We want to keep encouraging readers to get in contact with information and articles, but also need to make sure that it is affordable. We have a number of new advertisers again this month so please take some time to have a look at the adverts towards the back, and make sure that you mention Burton News if you are using any of the services advertised.

We need advertising to survive, so please get in touch if you have a business that you want to promote, or know of anyone who would be interested. We have a range of advertising packages available, so just contact us via email, and your business could be ready to receive the Burton News boost it needs.

As mentioned in our last edition, if you would like to make a donation to Burton News you can either set up a direct debit, or make a one off donation to our account which is 18029388 sort code 010160. Any gifts are much appreciated.

Please would readers note that letters & articles must include a valid name & address. This can be with-held from publication on request. We will not publish any anonymous letters, or material which, in the opinion of the Editorial Committee, is of an offensive or defamatory nature. BN reserves the right to edit letters & articles in the interests of magazine space.

We would also like to thank the Parish Council who have made a very kind donation which will help us to keep operating this year.

There is lots going on this month in the village, from a range of sporting activities, to the usual clubs and societies. So much good happens in the village and it is thanks to all the volunteers who give up their time and effort to keep them going. I'm sure that by the sheer number of articles in this newsletter that you will understand just how many good natured people we have amongst us making sure that our village is vibrant, active, and a wonderful place to live.

At BN towers we have discussed how we can reach our younger audience. As a result, Thomas is joining the team as our youth representative and he would love to hear from the youngsters in the village with ideas for activities, or anything they would like to see in these pages. You can contact Thomas at burtonnewsyouthrep@gmail.com and hopefully we can see the next generation reflected in these pages.

This month, as well as our usual columns, we have an update from the Traffic Action Group, who have completed their residents survey, results of which can be read on p24. BN have also been in contact with SP Electricity North West about the interruptions many of us are experiencing to our supply. You can read their response on p25.

Our PCSO Mandy Coleman has some important advice in her monthly column. It is well worth a read with some helpful tips and advice to protect you and your family, in particular against scams.

Finally, as spring is just around the corner, and we see the daffodils and crocus bulbs start to bloom we would like to encourage everyone to do a little something to help our environment. Maybe you could plant up a window box, put out some planters, or just help to keep the village looking tidy and looked after. Everyone appreciates walking through a village that is blooming and it brings a little joy to our hearts.

Stuart (editor)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to all who supported my recent talks about my 10 week backpacking adventure round SE Asia with my granddaughter last autumn. It was such a delight to relive some of the highlights, thrills and occasional scary bits. Kind donations meant I could give £132 towards playground equipment at the school and the talk to Burton Fellwalkers raised £175 for the local 1st Responders.

Jan Abbott

BURTON VILLAGE STORE - NORMAL OPENING HOURS

Monday - Friday

Shop: 6am - 8:30pm

Post Office : 9am - 5.30pm

Saturday

Shop: 6am to 8:30pm

Post Office: 9am to 12:30pm

Sunday

Shop: 7am - 8pm

Post Office: Closed

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BURTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

For their February meeting Burton WI enjoyed a very interesting and entertaining talk by Andy at Shed 1 Distillery; samples of 3 of their gins went down very well!

The competition of an 'Arrangement in a gin bottle' was won by Molly Long who very cleverly used a Shed 1 gin bottle to sway the judge, with Jan Shepherd coming second. Gill Pilling won the raffle and the evening was hosted by Gill and Jan Abbott. Something completely different for March when we'll learn about how to avoid scams.

We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7.30 in the Memorial Hall. As you can see our evenings are very varied and with events to enjoy between meetings too so do come and join us. Contact Jan Shepherd for more information
07974412458

HOLME AND BURTON MOTHER'S UNION

The Mothers' Union meeting held on Tuesday February 3rd was very well attended by all current members. The afternoon began with the enrolment of two new members----Lynda Durrell (Holme) and Kath Hayhurst (Burton) by Reverend Graham Burrows. We are pleased to report that this Mothers' Union Branch continues to grow its membership for yet another year!

A short service followed with hymns, prayers and a Bible reading led by the Branch Leader Joyce Walker who also chaired the A.G.M., with all the usual business and reports read out. Many thanks to Neville Pereira for auditing the annual accounts. Information was then shared about the annual subscription and the new programme with Speakers for 2026 was given out. Refreshments were served by Sheila Percival and Heather Milne.

The next meeting on Tuesday March 3rd at 2:00 p.m. will be a talk by Sarah Cook from 'Sight Advice'. Members are reminded to give Linda (Treasurer) the monies, (cash or cheque), for the Birthday Lunch on Tuesday May 12th at Kendal College.

The April meeting IS on Tuesday April 7th will be an illustrated talk by Heather Milne about her Pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago to Santiago de Compostela where St James is said to be buried. Non-members will be made very welcome to attend both meetings.

Judith Fisher (Secretary)

Burton-in-Kendal Art and Craft Society For Demonstrations, Exhibitions, Talks and Workshops

The Art Group meet most Friday mornings 9.30 am - 12 noon BMH
£3 per session for Members. Visitors £5.

The Craft Group meet on the Second Monday of the Month
1.30 - 4.00 pm BMH £3 per session



To join the Society contact our Treasurer, Paula Firth
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Membership includes a free programme of events, free art and craft entries to the Exhibition and use of the Society Library.

Follow us on Facebook : Burton in Kendal Art & Craft Society

Burton Fellwalkers

Burton Fellwalkers aim to do three walks each month, except in December, when we have one festive outing.

New walkers are always welcome and we offer a range of walk grades. Contact our secretary Dave Clarkson via the website <http://fellwalkers.burton.org.uk> or on 07939 006466



Sun 8 Mar 12.00 Staveley/Barley Bridge 6 miles (easy/moderate)
Wed 18 Mar 10.00am Bardsea/Birkrigg Common 5 miles (easy/moderate)
Sat 28 Mar 8.30am Loughrigg Tarn 6 miles (moderate)

Burton, Holme, and District Local History Society

Monday 16th March

'The Tides of Morecambe Bay and the Kent Estuary'
Dr. Mike Warren

Members free, Visitors £3.
Burton Memorial Hall, 7.30pm

A full programme is available on the website
www.localhistory.burtonweb.org.uk

Contact: Chairman Peter Williams.
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Programme Co-Ordinator Matthew Scott
Tel. 01524 936501 email burtonholmehistorysoc@gmail.com
New members welcome.



News from Burton Memorial Hall

Here we are in March, with longer days coming along with all the Spring flowers popping up. It's a busy month at the Hall again, so here is a roundup of events this month - why not come along and get involved?

Saturday 14th March sees the return of the Vintage and Pre-loved Fair at the Hall, from 10am until 2pm. Always lots of super things to browse and buy! Contact Jane on 07870 755854 to book a table.

On Friday 20th March we see the return of line dancing to the hall. This is an absolute beginners group, but if you've done it before and want to refresh your feet, you'd be very welcome too. The classes will be every Friday afternoon from 12.30 until 2pm, cost £5 per person. More details from Sue on 07772 757748 after 10th March.

Our next Welcome to the Village coffee morning will be on Saturday 28th March, 10am-12 noon in the main hall. In addition to our usual yummy home-made cakes you will be able to meet and chat with the local groups about what they do and see if you'd like to join in any of them. We'll also have Kevin Preston with his spring plant stall in the hall, plus our huge used book sale, whilst in the car park we'll have Kingsharp sharpening your blunt things again.

The following day, Sunday 29th March, sees the Burton Thistle Football Club Easter Bingo at the hall. Doors open at 4pm and eyes down at 4.30pm.

And finally an advance date for your diary:

Saturday 11th April, there will be another table top sale in aid of St John's Hospice, to book a table please contact Sally on 07875 213529.

Anne Nichols, Chair of the Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee.
To hire the Hall please visit our website at <https://bmh.burtonweb.org.uk/book-online>.

TABLE TOP SALE

Many thanks to all for your support at our table top sale which was held at BMH on Saturday 31st January. £370 was raised in aid of St John's Hospice and the China trek my husband and I shall be doing in September this year. As this event was so successful and a few people have asked when the next one will be, I have decided to do it again! Please put Saturday 11th April in your diaries! Thanks again, Sally Davies.

BURTON MEMORIAL HALL 200 CLUB

Results of January 2026 Draw as follows:

FIRST PRIZE;	£30	Akis
SECOND PRIZE;	£20	A. Nichols
THIRD PRIZE;	£12	T. Shelton

Anyone wishing to join the 200 Club,
please contact Katy Worsley on bmh200club@outlook.com
Or call 07946 617634

Cost £12 per number for a year (12 draws)

Why not buy a year's subscription to the 200 Club for £12 as a birthday gift for a family member or friend? If you already have a number, why not buy another and increase your chances of a win?



Burton Lunch Club

Held at the Royal Oak, Burton every 2nd
Wednesday of the month. Come along and enjoy a

reasonably priced two course meal with tea or coffee in a friendly environment.

Please call Age UKSC to book on 01539 728118.

Age UKSC Information is available at the Coffee Morning and Book Drop on the 1st
Monday of the month in the BMH 10am – 11am

Burton Book Drop & Coffee Mornings



Monday 2nd March



Burton Book Drop Coffee morning is held in BMH on the first Monday in every month (unless its a bank holiday) from 10:00 to 11:00. All proceeds go to help the upkeep of the Hall. This is an opportunity to come and have a coffee, cake and a chat, buy a second hand book and use our Book Drop. The Book Drop is a community library service provided by Westmorland & Furness Council but manned by village volunteers.

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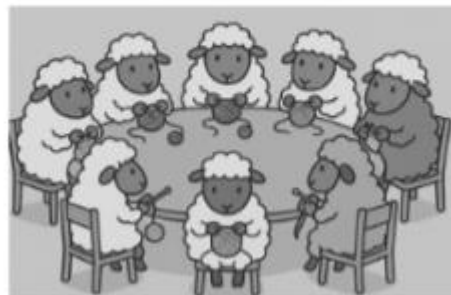
Local charity Kendal Windows on Art (KWoa) is launching their KWoa 'Midway' intergenerational community project this year. The project title comes from Burton-in-Kendal being 'midway' between Kendal and Lancaster but also rurally located.

It also links to the idea of 'meeting midway' - eg. developing a creative dialogue across different generations in the local community with the aim of building empathy skills and creating curiosity and connections between old, young and mid-lifers in the community. There will be creative opportunities for community members to share their interests, memories and stories with their older and younger neighbours.

The KWoa team are very much hoping that the Vintage & Preloved Wardrobe event may spark fashion memories and conversations inspired by the range of stalls and goods on display on Saturday 14th March 2026.

BURTON KNIT AND NATTER GROUP

If you fancy the chance of a natter and really enjoy some chatter, come along for a bit, all ready to knit and delight in our talk and our wit.



If crochet's your go-to choice, come along and we'll help you rejoice, whether you're a novice and total beginner, or an experienced WI winner.

We'd love you to join us with yarn, you can crochet, knit or just darn, Come for chat, tea and cake - it's Anne's finest bake – and feel right at home, no mistake!

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The Preloved Wardrobe

Fashion & Home Fair

Saturday 14th March

**Burton-in-Kendal
Memorial Hall**

10am - 2pm

**Main St
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PICKLEBALL

Pickle Purple: A Dink-tactic Day of Pickleball, Pastries, and Purple Hair

There are fundraising events... and then there are fundraising events. Pickle Purple — a gloriously quirky pickleball extravaganza in aid of Pancreatic Cancer UK — firmly fell into the second category, leaving attendees wondering whether they'd come for sport, cake, horticulture, or a surprise fashion show.

The courts were awash with every imaginable shade of purple, from elegant lavender ensembles to outfits that could probably be seen from space. Some participants embraced the theme with tasteful accessories; others clearly interpreted “dress in purple” as a personal challenge. One senior player proudly debuted freshly tinted purple locks, proving once and for all that fundraising spirit does not fade with age, even if natural hair pigment might.

Between matches, players refuelled at the cake table, which groaned heroically under the weight of brownies, sponges, cupcakes and expertly baked treats. The plant stand tempted players with leafy companions to take home, because nothing says competitive racket sport like impulse buying a fern.

On court, the pickleball action was spirited, occasionally skilful, and frequently hilarious. Rallies ranged from impressively athletic to delightfully chaotic, with more than one shot being applauded simply for making it over the net.

Most importantly, the day served its true purpose: raising funds and awareness for Pancreatic Cancer UK. Thanks to the enthusiasm, generosity, and questionable colour coordination of everyone involved, the event was a resounding success, raising £336 to make the total so far £1019 this February as part of Annette's other fundraising events — proof that when a community comes together, even a pickleball paddle can become a powerful fundraising tool.

A special thanks must go to the quartet of bakers Alison N, Suzanne, Liz, and Alison K, and our green fingered friends, Kevin (AKA-Sweet pea Kevin) and Woodcrest Garden Centre for their generous bakes and plant donations.

Annette Sayers
Burton Pickleball 'Dinkers'

BURTON BOWLING CLUB

It hardly seems a day since we were putting away our “woods” for the winter, and here we are already starting to look forward to the 2026 season! We can announce that the green will be re-opened for play on Saturday 14th March and the first weekly Club night will be on Monday 16th March and thereafter weekly throughout the season.

As before, we have two teams competing in Division 1 of the Kendal League on Tuesday evenings, and the first tasty fixture is a match between our two teams. There are two teams in the Morecambe League on a Wednesday evening, the A team in the very competitive Division 1 and the B team in Division 4. The A team were Division 2 Champions last year and will be hoping to consolidate a berth in Div 1 this year with an experienced team, whereas the B team were relegated last year with a relatively inexperienced team including a number of players new to the game.

The hope is that in the marginally less competitive Division 4 the team will gain experience and confidence. Finally on the playing side we have a Veterans (over 60) team in the Veterans League playing on a Thursday afternoon, a team full of experience and no little skill who were just pipped at the post for the Championship last year.

There are two scheduled special events in the pipeline at the moment. Firstly, on Sunday 10th May we will be staging the Johnnie Looker Memorial Day which in the past has been held later in the season. It is a day when we have pro-am bowling competitions and attractions such as bar, refreshments, a raffle and other activities. Come along and try your hand, you may be hooked!

Secondly, our Chair Nick Watts is Honorary President of the Morecambe Bowling League this year and we will be hosting the President's Day Competition on 15th August, when all the teams in the League send a player to compete in a KO competition. There should be some high quality skill on display.

We are always on the lookout to recruit new players so if you are remotely interested then pitch up at the green on a practice night, or contact our Secretary (details elsewhere in Burton News). This year we are offering new recruits who are not already affiliated to the British Crown Green Bowling Association (a requirement before one can play competitively) that the Club will cover the affiliation fee (currently £20) within their club membership fee of £40.

Hugh Miles



Burton-in-Kendal

TENNIS CLUB



Christmas Bingo

We held an enjoyable and successful Bingo night in the Memorial Hall in December, raising just over £900. This has boosted club funds but also £500 of it was divided between the Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation and Cumbria Wildlife Trust in memory of the late Phil Mann who is greatly missed at the tennis club.



Tennis Leagues

Burton Tennis Club continues to play their 3 veterans teams (over 50s) in the Lancaster & Morecambe League over the Winter months. New members are always welcome to join anytime. Whatever your level of play you can join in with one of our teams or just come along for social tennis.

Social Tennis

Friday 10 - 11:30am, Sunday 2 - 3:30pm
Weather permitting!

Contact

For more information visit our Website, Facebook page or email: info@burtontennisclub.co.uk
website: www.burtontennisclub.co.uk

BURTON NEWS YOUTH PAGE

Hi,

I'm Thomas, the Youth Represent for Burton News. I like retro games, walking and pickleball. In my role I am keen to find out what activities are available for us to do, along with any other ideas or interests that you may have. So, if you have any ideas or interesting news that we can publish, please email me at: burtonnewsyouthrep@gmail.com

I would love to hear from you!

Thomas



TABLE TOP SALE

Saturday 11th April

10.00am to 1.00pm

Burton in Kendal Memorial Hall, Main
Street, Burton, LA6 1NA

Entry £1 per adult, children FREE

Refreshments Available

Please contact Sally on 07875213529 if
you would like to book a table as a seller.

Some of the proceeds from this fundraising event
will go towards the cost of the trip.

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St John's Hospice North Lancashire and South Lakes is a charitable incorporated organisation registered in England with charity number 1117230



Culture Review

Dear Friends

'Culture' can refer to the music or art that a group of people like. More broadly, it means the way that a group or society behave, and the things that they believe and value. Sometimes we rejoice in the culture – when someone's honesty leads them to make a big effort to return to us something that we lost. Sometimes we despair – at destructive and selfish acts that seem to be deep-rooted. (And, of course, we get much more easily worked up by bad behaviour in others than by our own self-centredness.)

Culture flows from worship. If you want to understand the culture of a group then think about what or who they worship. What are they devoted to? Who are the 'gods' they are living for? What do they spend their money on? Who are they looking to for happiness and security? What do they serve?

Culture flows from worship. Even the word 'culture' comes from a Latin word that means to cultivate, honour or worship.

The prominent church building in our village tells us what previous generations thought about the worship of the villagers – that it ought to be directed to the Lord Jesus Christ as the one who created us and died to rescue us. That there is space to spare in our church on Sundays despite the large increase in population tells us that most of us have been directing our worship and our hope elsewhere.

So my question is, How are the gods of our age doing? Are they delivering on their promises? Are they producing a culture that we can rejoice in, or not? What effect is the worship of other 'gods' having on our children and grandchildren? What our village worships will determine what our village becomes.

If you are starting to think that our trust has been in the wrong place, and you would be willing to hear again the command of the God of the Bible that we have 'no other gods before Him' then please consider coming along to one of our First Steps services, and bringing your family along too. We promise to make every effort to help and encourage you to take what may be your first steps in a whole new direction.

Sincerely

Graham Burrows



March 2026 Services

Sunday 1 March

11am Morning Worship w. Communion

Sunday 8 March

11am Morning Worship w. Communion

Sunday 15 March

11am Morning Worship w. Communion

Sunday 22 March

11am Morning Worship w. Communion

Sunday 29 March **Palm Sunday**

10am Joint **First Steps Service**
at Holme

followed by Bring & Share lunch



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Sun 8 Mar 5pm-7pm

Sun 15 Mar 5pm-7pm

Sun 22 Mar 5pm-7pm

Wed 1 Apr 7pm-9pm

with refreshments

at St James Church,
Burton-in-Kendal

Some parking is available in the churchyard; there is on-street parking in the village.

Jane's strength of character and remarkable faith shine out despite the darkness that often surrounded her. At sixteen she paid an awful price for a throne she did not seek.

www.burtonandholmechurches.org



The church is open to visitors every Friday and Saturday, 10am – 4pm. You are welcome to look around or to use the quiet to think or pray.

We are very willing to talk about weddings, baptisms (christenings), confirmation, funerals and interments. Please contact us.

St James Church, Burton

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Graham Burrows

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OTHER PLACES OF WORSHIP

Silverdale Methodist Church LA5 0RR, Rev. Rev Linda Catlow 07787 829921

St Mary's RC Church, Yealand Conyers, Father Peter Haughton 01524 732940
Times of Services can be found at www.ololcarnforth.org.uk

Warton Methodist Church, www.wartonmethodist.co.uk, 07787 829921 Rev
Linda Catlow.

Yealand Quakers, 01524 781501 / 782052 / 732336

Preston Patrick Church, Junction 36 (The Church on the hill with the Cross)
Morning Worship 9.30am

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IT'S A DATE IN BURTON - KATH HAYHURST

2nd September 1837

To be Let by Private Treaty – and entered upon at the usual times in the Spring of 1838, all that Mansion House called “Old Hall” pleasantly situated near the Great North road leading from Burton to Kendal, about five miles from the former and six miles from the latter; together with the gardens, orchard, stable, gig-house, etc., and, if required, upwards of 9 acres of good meadow and pasture land contiguous to the premises. There is a good Rookery around the grounds, and the Taker might have the exclusive right of shooting over upwards of 200 acres of land adjoining. A person now living in the house will shew the premises and further particulars may be had on application to Wm. Vincent, Esq., Haverstock Hill, Hampstead Road, London, or, to Mr. Wm. Talbot, Hollins, Preston Patrick.



PARISH COUNCIL SKETCH

A few key issues were discussed at this month's Parish Council Meeting. First of all a discussion was ahead about developments at Burton Thistle FC. Readers may have noticed that in recent months portacabins and barriers have been installed at the club's ground. The cabins are being used as changing facilities so that players and officials can change on site rather than using the facilities at the MUGA as they had been doing previously. Questions were asked whether planning permission was required for these developments. The councillors agreed that if this was the case, they would generally be supportive of requests from the club, and will now ask club officials to come to a future meeting for further discussion.

Secondly it was noted that the police have appointed two volunteers to help monitor the speed of traffic in the village using speed guns. Expect to see these active in the village soon.

Our local councillor Vicky Hughes then explained the involvement that she has had with the Traffic Action Group. She asked the Parish Council to register their interest at 20mph.waf@cumbria.gov.uk so that we can be considered should funding be secured for another programme of 20mph zones when this current programme comes to end. This issue will be discussed at next month's PC meeting. Any residents wishing to attend and express their views in relation to this are more than welcome to go along. Discussions were also had as to whether priority markers could be erected to give right of way to traffic from north or south where main Street narrows.

In regards to the school crossing, Vicky Hughes mentioned that the team will look at whether road markings can be installed and enforced. This will require a Traffic Regulation Order to be in place which will require an allocation of funding, which is being considered. Furthermore Cllr Hughes asked for the road markings and speed signs to be maintained properly, as many markings are worn and could be improved.

Cllr Hughes is also investigating the possibility of having new bus routes serving the village. She has held meetings with bus companies about new routes, including the possibility of one connected Burton with Kirkby Lonsdale, and one to the hospital in Kendal. She will shortly be organising a survey of residents in Burton to assess our needs. Westmorland and Furness Council want to encourage people to use more sustainable forms of transport so she is hopeful that they will listen to resident's needs. Burton News will of course keep villagers informed of how they can have their views heard on this matter.

Burton News itself was also on the agenda for the Parish Council to discuss this month. We had put in a request for the Council to support us with a grant to help ensure that we can continue to operate for another year. The Council examined our accounts carefully and your editor was cross examined as to the need for this funding. Cllr Wren was concerned that any funding from the Parish Council would put our independent journalism at risk. Your editor assured the Council that BN would continue to hold them to account regardless of any funding received and that our independence is of great importance.

Some advice was given to us as to how Burton News can be more financially sustainable in the future. There were some useful ideas generated which will be discussed at future BN Committee meetings. At the conclusion of the discussion a vote was held, and it was unanimously agreed that the Council will provide a generous grant of £500 for this year. All at BN would like to put on record our gratitude to the council for their continued support, and we can reassure readers that this will not affect our reporting of the activities of our fine body of councillors who do tremendous work for the village with no expectation of thanks or reward. They truly are a noble bunch.

The next meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday 19th March at 7.30pm at Burton Memorial Hall. Residents are invited to attend and have their say in the Open Forum. If you have any comments about discussions held or decisions made then please feel free to come along. Alternatively you might want to raise issues that they are unaware of, or have suggestions that you wish to make to improve the village. All contributions are welcome. In addition there is still a vacancy for a new councillor so if you feel you can play a role in local democracy, then get in touch with the Parish Council Clerk for more information.

BURTON SINGERS

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our last concert "Burton Singers' Winter Songbook". It was a memorable evening of music and cheer which went onto raise £1200 for local organisations and charities. We have made contributions to Burton Morewood School, Carer Support South Lakes and First Holme Brownies and Guides. For First Holme Brownies and Guides, the money donated will go to funding an overnight sleepover for the girls. With Carer Support South Lakes, the money will go towards a number of their counselling and advocacy services or where they can offer a Sitting Service for respite.

Rehearsals are well under way for our next concert on Saturday June 13th which will take place in Burton Village Hall. Details will be given nearer the time for ticket sales.



BURTON-IN-KENDAL



Welcome Day

SATURDAY 28th MARCH

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on 07772 757748

STARTS FRIDAY 20th MARCH
12.30-2.00pm
Burton Memorial Hall

£5
PER PERSON
PER WEEK

Burton in Kendal Traffic

Thank you to everybody who took the time to respond to the survey. We had 126 responses.

86.5% of respondents would support some form of speed reduction measures in the village.

Main themes from respondents

- Prams/wheelchairs unable to access parts of the village without having to go on to the road.
- Children living at the south end of the village have to cross the road twice to get to school.
- One respondent suffered a broken wrist after falling off his bike due to a car coming too fast through the village.
- No pavements in parts of the village.
- M6 closures causes complete gridlock through the village, with wagon's far too wide for the road. Unable to do 10 mph let alone 30 mph at these times, so using the idea of it being a relief road to prevent any form of reduction isn't justifiable.
- There are 2 pubs, a shop, a village hall, school and a church all forward facing on the main road through Burton. It is a residential built up area which would suggest the road should be 20mph.
- A tractor has damaged the steps of one property in the village twice since the respondent moved in to the property in June 2025. They do not feel safe to use their own front door, and expense caused to them.
- A child was hit at the bottom of Boon Town a few years ago.
- Clawthorpe end of the village no street lights or pavements.
- A number of elderly residents stated they do not feel safe going out in the village as they cannot cross the road quickly enough when cars are coming fast through the village.
- One person reported as they were pushing their baby out of the shop in the pram, the pram was nearly hit by a car using the pavement as an extension of the road, due to a bus coming the opposite way.
- One respondent reported a car going too fast through the village used the pavement as an extension of the road near the Royal bus stop where the pavement is not raised and only just missed hitting her and her friend.
- A high number of people reported seeing cars and tractors using pavements as an extension of the road as the road is too narrow in places for vehicles to pass each other. One respondent shared how 12 year old daughter was nearly hit by a vehicle doing this and had to jump out of the way of the car who had used the pavement to avoid a lorry that was coming the opposite way.
- On Halloween a tractor used the pavement near the bus stop at The Royal as an extension of the road and very nearly hit children who were trick or treating.
- 9 people responded saying they had been clipped by a passing vehicle due to the narrow road and narrow pavements. One respondent said their daughter was clipped by a passing vehicle and is now too scared to walk to school or the park and they have to drive.
- A high number of near misses were raised by respondents with main touch points being pulling out of Tanpits and the MUGA due to poor visibility and vehicles coming too fast around those corners. This will only get worse with the

planned new houses behind the MUGA. Boon Town also raised as an issue with a suggestion for double yellows to be extended.

- Safety of the villagers needs to be prioritised over the needs of the traffic travelling through the village.
- Some suggestions from respondents included reduction to 20 mph, speed cameras, speed bumps, walkway from Holme to Burton, school crossing, extend the 20mph zone during school pick up drop off times as an interim measure.

A few villagers met with Cllr Vicky Hughes to share these findings. Vicky was taking this back to the council and we are currently awaiting an update from her. Vicky also discussed that the possibility of a crossing near the School was looked into, however when feasibility checks were carried out, it was not possible to put a crossing here due to poor visibility.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

Burton News readers have been in contact with us to see if we can investigate the causes of the intermittent electricity supply we have been experiencing recently. We have contacted SP Electricity North West who are responsible for the supply. Their response is outlined below:

"Please see attached the list of power cuts we have related to your area: The ones that show as 0 minutes off are where the network has auto restored through remote switching without the attendance of an engineer. These outages can be caused by interference with the cables causing the electricity to cut out. Examples of this can be trees near the cable, bird strikes or heavy wind and rain.

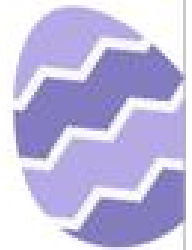
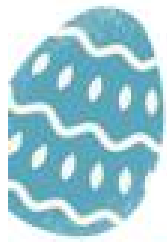
The instances where the power has been off for a number of minutes I have reviewed and can confirm the reasons below:

INC 1241176016 05/02/2026 – This was due to a tree coming down on the overhead cable and needing emergency repairs to reconnect the cable.

INC 125280933 10/11/2025- This was due to a failed insulator on the pole which can be caused by general wear and tear. This was repaired and the power was able to be safely restored.

INC 125182622 30/07/2024- This was a snapped stay wire on a pole causing this to be unsecure and needing a repair. This was a controlled removal of supplies due to the safety and urgency of the repair needed.

I do hope this information is helpful in resolving the queries you have received. If any of the community need to discuss anything further, please encourage them to contact us directly. If you'd like to speak to us or you have any questions about the information provided, please let us know. You can reply to this email or call us on 0800 195 4141 (option 4 then 3). We're open Monday to Friday, 9am–5pm and closed Saturday, Sunday and bank holidays."



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Sunday 29th March

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POLICE REPORT

There are no logs of note for the area of Burton.

Dangerous parking is an increasing issue around schools, putting the safety of children and others at risk. Parking on Zig Zag lines or pedestrian crossings can cause visibility issues for both drivers and people walking on the pavements, and at times forces children to walk on the road.

Do not:

- Park on yellow zig zag lines
- Obstruct vehicles/pedestrians/pavements
- Block access to any resident driveways

Inconsiderate parking leads to residents escalating incidents to local councils. Parents and drivers face fines and enforcement action will be put in place for violations of school parking rules

Romance Scams

Romance scams are a form of fraud where scammers create fake online identities to gain trust and affection. Our up-to-date scam at the moment - victims are contacted via social media/telephone claiming to be their "romantic interest", the suspects are thought to be of a foreign national living outside the UK.

The suspect requests the victim to purchase Apple gift vouchers from local shops and for the victim to share the redeemable code with the offenders. This can differ at times to the suspect claiming to them they have won an online competition or even believing they are speaking to a celebrity.

To avoid falling victim to a romance scam, please consider:

- Be cautious of individuals who ask for money or personal information early on in a relationship.
- Verify their identity by conducting reverse image searches on profile pictures, check for inconsistencies in their stories.
- Recognize red flags – a reluctance to meet up or vague details about their life.

Burton Police drop in

I will be in the carpark at the memorial hall 11-12 noon on Wednesday 18th March if you have any concerns or issues in the area, I will also bring along the bike marking kit to mark any bike you have FREE of charge!

Thank you

PCSO 5244 Mandy Coleman
Amanda.coleman@cumbria.police.uk



SOUTH CUMBRIAN COUPLE PREMIERE GIG-THEATRE SHOW ABOUT GRIEF

Selected dates in Cumbria and Lancashire, April-June 2026

Broken Chords is a new gig-theatre production by South Cumbrian creatives Kirstie Pelling and Stuart Wickes, blending original music, storytelling and humour into a powerful exploration of grief.

The show grew out of the couple's response to the sudden death of their son. As a way of continuing to talk - and keep going - they picked up guitars and began writing songs together. Over three years, those songs evolved into a theatrical piece that reflects how they learned to live with the scale of their family's loss.

While rooted in personal experience, Broken Chords speaks to anyone who has lived through love, loss or life-altering change. Performed by Kirstie and Stuart themselves, the show explores how people grieve differently, and how creativity, honesty and shared experience can help us live with what we cannot fix. Funny, moving and defiantly hopeful, it is part concert, part confession, part love story. They also hope to raise money for a local charity.

The production is directed by Joe Sumsion, former Artistic Director of Lancaster's the Dukes Theatre, who described it as one of the most authentic and unusual pieces of theatre he has helped shape: "The fascinating blend of music, spoken word and dialogue creates original 'must-see' theatre. Audiences will feel they have come on a journey with us and enjoyed an unforgettable night out."

For Stuart Wickes, the show is ultimately about connection: "Broken Chords is filled with music, song and drama, but our aim is to start a conversation. Because it's not just our story - it's yours too. The one you don't talk about with friends. The one that changed you. We all carry losses, but no one has to carry them alone."

Kirstie Pelling said the intention is to send audiences home feeling uplifted: "The production looks at how we navigated loss, stayed resilient and remained close as a family. While undoubtedly sad in places, it's also shot through with humour and hope. The cabaret style setting creates an atmosphere where people should feel comfortable to relax, chat and share their own stories. The play is not a prescription for how to grieve, rather our personal story of coping with loss."

BROKEN CHORDS

Grief breaks things. Love rebuilds them.
www.brokenchords.art

Dates:

Broken Chords dates are as follows:

Sat 25th April, 7.30pm - Burton in Kendal Memorial Hall

Sun 26th April 2pm - Burton in Kendal Memorial Hall

Sat 9th May, 7.30pm - Castle Street Community Centre, Kendal

Wednesday 27th May, 7.30pm - Gregson Community Centre, Lancaster

Friday 5th June, 7.30pm – Lunesdale Hall, Kirkby Lonsdale

Ticket Information

Tickets are available from ~~Ticketsource~~ www.ticketsource.co.uk/brokenchords and must be booked in advance. You can find more information about Broken Chords at www.brokenchords.art



For more details please contact Kirstie Pelling on 07961 425267 or kirstie.pelling@btinternet.com



Burton Singers

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Seated class Thursday 10.45 to 11.15
Contact Jan Abbott Mob: 07479524524
Email: janabbott9553@gmail.com



Burton Bowling Club

Club night each Monday at 6.30pm at green during season. Enquiries to Sue Miles 01524 781465



Ladies Badminton

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Burton Amateur Dramatic Society

If you would like to join us either Acting or Back Stage please contact
Chair. Bob Parker 01524781772
Secretary. Jill Evans 007704514972



Burton Fellwalkers

At least 3 walks per month - of different grades. New members always welcome. To join please contact our Secretary: Sarah Walker 01524 923528
website: <http://fellwalkers.burtonweb.org.uk>



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Fly fishing on the River Bela & environs. For membership information please contact: John McKay, tel 07704 265953 e-mail milnthorpeaa@hotmail.com



Table Tennis Club

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Thursday evenings - Autumn to Spring each year
Enquiries to Martin on 07740 933463.



Circuit Training + HIT

Mon 6.15pm Burton Memorial Hall
Thurs 6.15pm Burton Morewood School
Contact: John 01524 781707 or 07712686298



Scottish Country Dance Group

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Burton in Kendal Art & Craft Society

Craft Group 2nd Monday of the month 1.30pm. Art Group Fridays 9.30am -12pm. Workshop or Demonstrations most months
Chair: kathhayhurst84@gmail.com Tel 01524 781613
<http://burton-in-kendalartandcraft.weebly.com/>



Burton, Holme & District Local History Society

A year round programme of interesting talks & visits
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<http://localhistory.burtonweb.org.uk>



Burton Womens Institute

Meetings held at Burton Memorial Hall on 2nd Thursday each month (except August).
To join contact Jan Shepherd on 07974 412458



Burton Knit & Natter

Every Wednesday BMH Club Room - 6.30pm until 8.30pm. Open to anyone to bring along knitting, crochet, tatting, embroidery etc. or help in making postbox toppers or village yarn bombing. Cost is just £2.00 per person per week incl. tea/coffee and cake.



Pickleball

Pickleball is a great way to exercise, have fun and meet new friends. We run a number of sessions throughout the week at various times to suit all. All sessions at Burton Memorial Hall £2 per hour.
Jeanie Christian (07967 940818) runs sessions on a Monday 9.30am-11.00am, 11am-12pm and 7.30pm-9.00pm, and Fridays 9.30am -11.00am. There is now a waiting list for these sessions.
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Police non-emergency	101
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Burton in Kendal Parish Council

Meetings

3rd Thursday of every month at 7.30pm
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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.

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 - Christine Davidson on 01524 782694

Next Meeting:

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Thursday 19th March, 7.30pm BMH

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**You can contact Vicky Hughes as follows:
Westmorland & Furness Council:**

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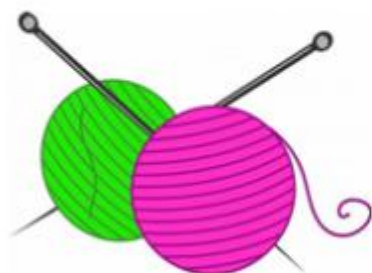


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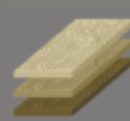
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Calendar of Events

MARCH

Art Group - meets most Fridays 9.30am-12 Noon - BMH (Visitors welcome) £3

Craft Group - Second Monday each month 1.30pm- 4pm - BMH £3

Knit and Natter Group - meets each Wednesday 6.30pm to 8.30pm - BMH £2

Warm Wednesdays - 12.30pm - BMH

Mon 2nd - Book Drop and Coffee Morning - 10-11am - BMH

Tues 3rd - Holme and Burton Mothers' Union - 2pm

Sun 8th - Fell Walkers - 12pm -Staveley

Wed 11th - Burton Lunch Club - Royal Oak

Thurs 12th - WI - 7.30pm - BMH

Sat 14th – Vintage and Pre-Loved Fair 10am-2pm - BMH

Mon 16th - Burton and Holme District Local History Society - 7.30pm - BMH

Wed 18th - Fell Walkers - 10am - Bardsea

Thurs 19th - Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm - BMH

Fri 20th – Line Dancing - 12.30pm - 2pm - BMH

Sat 28th - Welcome to the Village Coffee and Cake Morning - 10-11.30am - BMH

Sat 28th - Fell Walkers - 8.30am - Loughrigg

Sun 29th - Easter Bingo for Burton Thistle - Doors 4pm - BMH