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Readers'
LETTERS

Dear BN

Outdoors

As a descendant of a Burtonian described by David Craig in his March dispatch as having "scattered off to New Zealand...", he may wish to know that I very much enjoy reading his articles, even if his wintry description of Lancelot Clark's Storth lends powerful support to the logic of one's forebears who sought more sunny climes!

Keep up the good work. The scenes David writes about seem impressively realistic, even from 12,000 miles away.

Beith Atkinson, New Zealand

Thanks!

Kath Proctor

Many thanks to friends and neighbours for all the good wishes and flowers I received during my stay in hospital. I am now well on the road to recovery.

Kath Fearnside

Mrs Kath Fearnside would like to thank everyone who sent cards, gifts and flowers for her 90th birthday. Also many thanks to the Tuesday Club for the lovely party.

Please would readers note that letters for these pages 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.

Pat Wren

As many people will be aware our Mum passed away on 9th April 2006 at her home, 6 Drovers Way. Her death has been a great shock to us all and totally unexpected. Mum had lived in Burton for over fifty years, first living at Burton and Holme Station when she came from Lancaster as a young bride, having married John Wren (our Dad), and then three children later moving in 1973 to Drovers Way. Dad passed away in 1983, and Mum, having eyesight that was gradually getting worse, was registered blind in 1988. But that didn't stop Mum from doing anything, she was always a very independent lady.

We would like to thank everyone who has helped our Mum over the many years, to those who helped her in the shops, and the ones who have helped her cross the road, and to the ones who took Mum to her and Pip's appointments we thank each and every one of you, and to the dog walkers who passed the time of day with Mum on the many many walks she and her little dog, Pip, went on. Mum was blessed with great neighbours who always had time for her, she loved the banter and the laughs she had with them.

Thank you to the people of Burton village for the cards, letters, flowers and kind words. We are a close family and we loved our Mum very much, she was a good honest lady, a good Mum, and a good Nana. We are going to miss her greatly, she leaves a big gap in our lives that will never be filled again.

Hazel Kitching, Mary O'Connor, Alan Wren

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90th Birthday**



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Preparations for our second exhibition are now well in hand. We look forward to welcoming Colin and Audrey Whittle, who are fine watercolourists, as our guest artists.

This Art & Craft Exhibition is open to anyone who would like to exhibit and sell their work, whether you are a beginner, amateur, long-time artist, young or young-at-heart. We welcome exhibits in any media: watercolour, acrylic, pastels, oils, mixed media and drawings. Artists and craftspeople do not need to be members of the Society or of the village art classes.

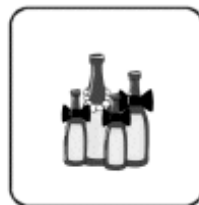
We would like to find and welcome new craftsmen and women to display and/or demonstrate their skills and work. If you have been quietly working away at jewellery, needlecrafts, textiles, woodwork, ceramics, basketry, ironwork, etc. please consider sharing and showing your work with us at the Exhibition. We would like to make the Exhibition as exciting and varied as possible.

We look forward to welcoming new and old friends and we hope that you will be enticed to buy an original work of art for your home. Refreshments will be provided so that you can enjoy a leisurely viewing of the Exhibition.

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OUTDOORS



I never expected to become so fond of a long grey limestone hill which reaches little more than eight hundred feet above sea-level. Farleton Knott is now for me a haunt I can never tire of, whether I saunter along it from the summit of the Clawthorpe-Lupton road or toil up the scree behind Townend Farm. The first way is a stroll, now all too popular. It can be hard to park up there at the weekend when twenty or more cars are slowly grinding away the verges where harebells used to bloom in August. The steep way at the other end feels more like a hill-climb and there is almost never anybody there. The middle way behind Holme Park is handy because it leads you to the heart of the Knott. You can either take the bridleway past the northern rim of the quarry and go right over to the Clawthorpe road, on a mountain bike if need be (my own hybrid with more delicate tyres gives a bumpy ride); or you can turn left or north as soon as you go through the gate, then gain height steadily up one of the pasture belts that stripe the hill's western face between bands of boulder field and limestone scar.

The sough of the motorway sounds continuously from below. Above are dozens of climbing routes which have been a favourite playground for me and my sons and friends since 1974. Down here the way

follows sheep-trods through ever denser whin jungle and rock edges like jaws of rotting teeth. Scattered amongst the limestone are chunks of stone like uncut brown gems, carried by the glacier from where? From the crest of the Helm, perhaps, seven miles north, which is made of Silurian gritstone, the same material as Hadrian's Wall.

Now a prow juts up ahead, near the summit of the Knott. It houses the final two climbs on the crag, Avoidance, which I last did with John Storer (his last-ever climb, I believe), and Rose Among Thorns, on which you swing wildly left and upwards through thin air on your way to security. We went up it once with my stepdaughter's French pen-friend, Liddy, who as far as I know had never climbed before. She launched off happily, lost her footing, and there she was in mid-air, pigtail flying like a cock pheasant's tail. She didn't panic at all, Neil my youngest son kept her tight on the rope until she regained touch with the rock, and Anne grasped Neil from behind to make sure the anchor held.

You can climb trees up there too. Approaching from Clawthorpe top, once you are north of a boulder belt like elephant or rhinoceros skulls and a final little edge, you reach a spread of limestone pavement. It's waterless and without humus, the rainfall soon runs off and is lost down the grikes, so all trees are bonzai'd. Hawthorn is turned into growths like mutant hedgehogs or sea urchins with multiple limbs that swarm bristling along the grikes. Ash and sycamore are turned into squat dwarfs. This means that you

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can easily reach their lower branches and pull right up into the canopy. Ensnared up there in a comfy triple fork, you can hear the whole sound or voice of the tree. A sigh as a gust approaches, rising an octave to a hiss higher than a wave foaming on sand... A seethe like butter boiling... Finally a rustle as each leaf, fretted and desiccated by a season's weathering, tatters against its neighbour. Meantime the whole skeleton of trunk and branches quakes under you like sea-swell under a canoe. Until autumn has thinned the leaves too much, you can perch up here by the hour, at one with the tree, and invisible to the people, the dogs, and the occasional horse-rider who pass by unawares.

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They have also installed cardboard recycling banks at the following sites: Black Dyke Road, Arnsdale; Park Road, Milnthorpe; Joss Lane, Sedbergh; Booths, Kirkby Lonsdale; Asda, Kendal; Morrisons, Kendal; Berners Close, Grange; Lake Road, Coniston; Outdoor Leisure Complex, Ulverston. These can be used for all types of clean cardboard, again please squash or flatten the cardboard to minimise the amount of space taken. SLDC publish the amount of waste collected each month on their website, if you would like to see how much is collected in the new banks log on at www.southlakeland.gov.uk

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Sports Day 2006

**It's World Cup Fever but
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Burton Children's Sports Committee brings you Sports Day on Bank Holiday Monday May 29th

Fancy dress and float procession, Rose Queen, bouncy castle, children's races, stalls, BBQ, family disco, five a side knockout football competition.

TIMETABLE

11.30 am Procession to gather at Green Dragon Farm

12.00 noon Procession to start.

1- 4 pm Children's races

7-11 pm Family disco

Here's what you've drawn:

Main St/Mowbray Drive/ Thornleigh Drive/Dalton Lane JAPAN

Morewood Drive SPAIN ~ St James' Drive USA ~ Hollowrayne GERMANY

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Allstars Return!

The annual Allstars gig in April introduced new faces and new songs to an enthusiastic audience. We went on the Friday night and were sad to hear that David Williamson wasn't up to performing - he was missed! Opening with a fabulous rendition of the Shadows' hit, *Apache*, Mo "Twinkle Fingers" Witham led the band into a wonderful evening of songs we knew and some we didn't recognise but enjoyed all the same!

From Wendy Barker's *The First Cut is the Deepest* to Ray Guy's *You Ain't Seen Nuthin' Yet!* the music ranged across the years and in tempo. Making it a family affair was Jane Lancaster's bluesy *I Can't Stand the Rain*, husband Gary's *Sorrow*, and newcomer, Caroline Lancaster's *Like a Bird*. It must be daunting to come into an established group like Allstars and sing in front of people you pass in the street or meet in the pub, but Caroline did it, not just once but three times and did it very well! It was great to hear another new female voice too - Pam Burgess showed she could handle songs as varied as the Bond theme - *Nobody Does it Better* and *I Feel Like a Woman*. We look forward to seeing both Caroline and Pam again on stage.

That Richard Selvidge could play bass we knew, but we didn't know he sings as well... *The Weight* was another song we didn't know but we enjoyed Richard's rendition of it. Paul Rossi was on good form as ever, both as compere and singer: from *Beyond the Sea* to *Mini the Moocher* and *Sway* he entertained us, and his saucy comments about the ladies had us (and the band!) giggling. Barbara Rossi's enthusiasm with *Hey Good Lookin'* and *Walkin' Back to Happiness* got us

jiggling in our seats, whilst her outfit for her cover version of Sade's *Smooth Operator* made some of the men's eyes pop out!

Bill Whewell, who not only sings but does much of the organisation before the event, stepped away from his usual Johnny Cash numbers, and gave us instead, *Only Make Believe* and *Walk on By*, whilst Denis gave us *I'm the Urban Spaceman*, *Not Fade Away*, and memorably with audience participation, Chuck Berry's *My Dingaling*. Mo's *Moon Dance* was everything we expect and more from his twinkling fingers, whilst Kelly was fabulous as ever with *Gloria* and, one of my particular favourites, *Evergreen*.

I also promised Ian, the soundman, I'd give him a "plug" which, as he was under the staging surrounded by plugs and cables at the time, he thought was hugely funny! But seriously, it's thanks to Ian Rock of Rock P.A. that you can hear all the individual sounds and voices, right down to the tambourines, and he comes and does it all for free. Thanks Ian - you're a star too!

Over all it was a great night - we enjoyed it tremendously. It was shame there weren't more people there on the Friday night but I heard that Saturday made up for that. Bill Whewell tells me that around £1300 was raised over the two nights, which will benefit the Tennis Club and the NSPCC.

Thank you to all the Allstars who put so much time and effort into arranging these nights for us... you really are **all stars!**

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An Opinion...

**Comments on the goings-on at the
Parish Council**

THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS

Leaving the announcement to the very last item at the meeting, we were informed that veteran PCllr Bill Willink has handed in his resignation. An Opinion will miss his presence at meetings. In fact she will feel quite bereft, as he is the last PCllr remaining on the PC who was there when she began these reports. Though A.O. has crossed swords with him from time to time, she nevertheless respected his integrity, and well-meaning. And it was fun when he blew his top! Almost imperceptibly the personnel, and therefore the very nature of the PC, has changed in the last few years. So times move on. New faces appear, as is right and inevitable. A.O. wishes him well, and hopes the feeling is reciprocated.

Back to the meeting: Apologies, Apologies

There was a time when it was rare for one PCllr to be absent. Yet recently this impressive record has begun to fade. This month three PCllrs sent apologies for their absence. One came late due to work commitments. All this may well be a positive sign. Possibly wider interests are now represented by our PCllrs, and they have other irons in the fire that may benefit us all.

The meeting went with a swing (it's always a relief when meetings don't drag on, and this one didn't), with members of the public staying on till the end, which may have been out of politeness but could well have been interest in the proceedings.

Police Report

All were disappointed (assuming there were no villains present) to hear from community WPC Casson that she has been seconded to another section, so she won't be seen patrolling our streets, or giving her fascinating and enlightening reports to the PC any more. Hopefully she will be replaced, and hopefully by someone as humorous and dynamic. Her final report covered two months:- the now-familiar drinking offences, still the malicious phone-calls, a missing person who turned up the next day, a burglary at the

Jackson building site, where the CID are on the case, 3 RTA's in the village, with a driver failing to stop (but a canny witness got his registration number.). There was a call-out to an amazing incident where a car was observed vertical in a hedge, but had gone even before the prompt arrival of the police.

Other incidents included paint thrown on a parked vehicle, the mobile-phone aerial broken into - again, and six sheep wandering in a resident's garden. The egg-throwing brigade are back again, and a glass door was kicked in. A car stereo was reported stolen by its owner, but in fact his partner had taken it out of the car for safe-keeping. WPC Casson was thanked by the PC for her services. The presence of the Community police was agreed to be a welcome and useful help to the village.

The Chairman's Announcements

These included:

1. The proposed new footpaths may require stock-fencing, and this will cost £10 per metre.
2. Holme Floral Society has asked if they can place a floral arrangement at the foot of the War Memorial to commemorate the Battle of the Somme on July 1st. The PC agreed to this.

PUBLIC FORUM

1. Members of the public, with a spokesperson, expressed their concern at a planning permission for a dwelling to be sited adjacent to West Leys, at the top of Vicarage Lane. They were also concerned that there was a change of use to the site, with unsightly heavy machinery being parked there. The PC agreed that this was outside the permitted building boundary, and they would recommend refusing the application.
2. Planning permission for a conservatory, for which the PC had reservations last month, was refused. The house-holder complained in Public Forum that it might well be because of the intervention of the PC that the refusal was given by the Planning Officer. The PC had felt the new construction might impinge too much on neighbours. The resident assured them it did not, and that in any case there was a fence between the two houses (here A.O. must surely have made an error.

Was the claim that the fence is 1.3 m high what he actually said? And if so would that really be a satisfactory barrier?) The resident told the PC he intended to appeal against the Planning decision, and invited the meeting to visit the site before coming to a conclusion.

*Another matter raised in the Public Forum has been put at the end of this report, under ADDENDUM. The meeting closed to the Public, and continued:-

The Quality of Burton Water

A PCllr raised the case of a Burton resident who had complained to United Utilities, following the serious eye infection of a child, In the letter it had been suggested that U.U. should analyse the water which might be the cause of the infection. U.U. had replied in summary manner, saying that they couldn't afford such tests, and dismissing the suggestion that their water might be at fault. It was generally felt that the U.U. letter was dismissive and unhelpful, and the PC agreed to write the U.U. complaining of its tone.

Holme Waste Water Treatment Works

(our sewage works) The PC Chairman reported that she had attended a significant meeting with Holme PC and the Environment Agency regarding extending and improving the sewage plant. The Agency intends to upgrade 18 such plants nationally, and so far Holme is one of them. Burton wasn't notified of the plans, which our Chairman heard about by chance, but it was agreed to offer to liaise with Holme PC, since the "waste water" plant is shared by both. More of this when the Environment Agency produces its report.

The Information Panel on the Canal

British Waterways has offered to assume responsibility for the plinth, provided the PC cares for the actual panel. It was agreed this compromise should be accepted.

Boon Town Playground

The Chairman reported that she has received the revised plans submitted to the Planning Officer by Impact Housing. They were not available at this PC meeting but will be discussed at the next one, she said.

Plain Quarry

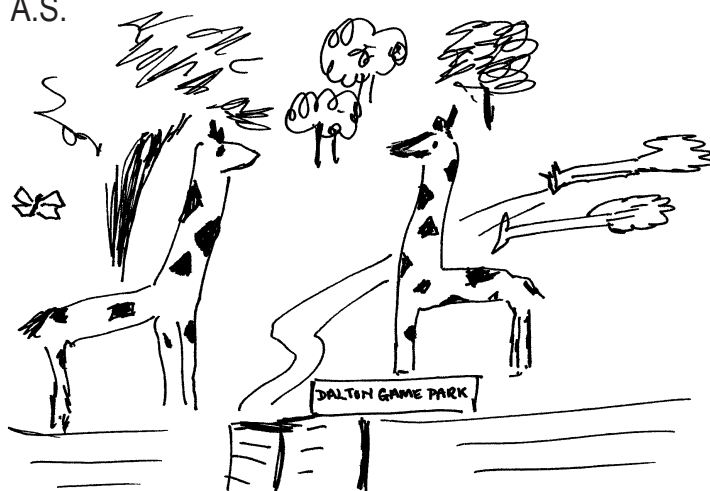
PCllrs considered that the decision to remove litter bins had worked: There was less litter now. Twenty cattle have been set to graze on Dalton Crags, with the intention of keeping down the undergrowth. But it seems they prefer the footpaths to a plunge in the scruffy bits, and have achieved considerable damage to them, making some areas difficult instead of the opposite. They are ranging over an extensive area, and have been spotted at Lancelot Clarke's Storth and further afield. The Chairman is to make enquiries; as she pointed out, they might present a hazard if they came face to face with walkers' dogs, not to mention the walkers, of course.

So, more or less, ended a neat meeting. A.O. left the room with a last glance at PCllr Willink, surrounded by well-wishers, as he had every right to be. Mrs Willink was there too, a staunch supporter, modestly claiming she'd only dropped in because another meeting she usually attends had been cancelled. A.O. likes to imagine them walking home together in the lamplight, side by side.

*** Addendum**

Unable to be resolved at the meeting was the query, raised by "a member of the public", as to whether the PC had any information about the hearsay that Planning Permission was being sought from Lancaster for the construction of a marina at Tewitfields, apparently together with 50 houses. The Clerk is to make enquiries. One PCllr has the plan for a Farm Shop development at the Tewitfield farm, which he is to circulate among PCllrs.

A.S.



"WE'LL SOON HAVE THESE TREES UNDER CONTROL"

The Vicar Writes...

True Greatness

The Bible says that God is great. One passage in the Bible that helps us to understand what is meant by the greatness of God is Isaiah 40. Here are just a few of the things that this chapter says about God:

God is so great that all the waters of the seas could sit in the hollow of his hand. Just over two-thirds of the earth's surface is water. In some places it's over 6 miles deep. The total volume of the oceans is incalculable. And yet God says he holds all the waters in his hand.

God is so great that with his handbreadth he has marked off the heavens (i.e. the universe). No one can calculate the distance across the universe. We do know that the nearest star to us (other than the sun) is over 26 trillion miles away and that's just the nearest one!. The size of the universe is incomprehensible to us and yet God says he simply marks off that distance with the breadth of his hand!

He also weighs the mountains on the scales. The great mountain ranges and peaks of the world are overwhelmingly big and yet God, as it were, weighs them on a small balance scale. What God is saying is this: "Consider the greatest things in nature - the boundless seas, the infinitely vast heavens, the majestic mountains. As great as they are, they are nothing in comparison to me."

The comparisons continue... "Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket...". Think of that! The world's most powerful nations - the U.S.A., China, Russia, the U.K. - all totalled together are no more to God than a single drop of water in a bucketful of water.

It's not only the nations, but their kings and rulers that are reduced to nothingness before God. "He brings princes to naught and reduces the rulers of this world to nothing." The Bible says "think of those who hold great power in the world, those whose power and wealth mesmerise you. They are nothing compared to God. He's the one who raises them up

and brings them down."

God is inconceivably great. He is beyond compare. His greatness is mind-blowing. The Bible goes on to explain something even more amazing about this great God. The New Testament tells of how this God who is bigger than the universe became a tiny embryo in a virgin's womb. It describes how the God who reduces the rulers of the world to nothing allowed such people to kill him on a cross. It relates how the God who knows no boundaries allowed himself to be confined in a cold, dark tomb. But man has never been able to pin God down and such is his greatness that death could not hold him and he rose again. And God did this, the New Testament explains because he loves us and wants us to share eternity with him in his great heaven.

That the infinitely great God should choose to do that for someone as small and insignificant and sinful as me is the most mind-blowing thing of all. God is truly great!

Paul

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06.30pm Evening Church, Burton

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May 21st

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06.30pm Evening Church, Burton

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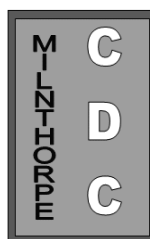
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HISTORICAL FOOTNOTE by Roger Bingham

'HARD TIMES IN BURTON AND HOLME 150 YEARS AGO'

In April's *Historical Footnote* I stressed the importance of wool in local agriculture and industry. But other important textiles included cotton (woven at Milnthorpe) and flax, which was made into linen at Holme Mills. Despite its name, most of Holme Mills is in Burton as the mill beck, which cuts across the site, marks the Parish Boundary.

In 1849, Mannex's guide stated 'here is a large mill with coarse linen and sacking manufactory at which upwards of 500 hands are employed'. The work was not easy as John Somervell in 1930 recorded 'Mr Jas. Wadson tells me that he worked there in William Waithman's time about 1857 as a boy of 9, hours 6 to 6, Saturday 6 to 4. Wage 1/6 per week. His older sisters were "wet spinners" which meant that their clothes were wet from waist downwards all day and their wage was 4/6'. The coarse linen was bleached and dyed at another Waithman mill at Gatebeck. Mr Waithman was also described as being 'a partner in Beetham Mills and in a commission house in Manchester'.

Mr Wadson was a little out in his dates as the Lancaster Gazette reported on the 16th September 1854, "We regret to announce the failure of a house extensively engaged in the flax trade. The long established and highly respected firm of Messrs Waithman and Co., of Holme Mills, near Burton suspended payment on Saturday last. We are

informed they were stopped at the instance of the Kendal Bank, to whom they are supposed to be heavily indebted. ...We fear this event will occasion much distress'.

Hard times hit immediately for on 4th October the Vicar of Holme, Rev Samuel Moon, appealed for help to alleviate 'the present condition of the manufacturing poor as the place which was looked on as improving from year to year, is unexpectedly brought to the lowest state of depression. Happily many families, and single persons have obtained employment elsewhere; but others have not been so successful, especially where the children are under thirteen years of age, and cannot be reckoned as "full timers". The Kendal Board of Guardians (workhouse authorities) have kindly and humanely administered relief, as far as the law permits; but I am anxious to augment such assistance, with the view of providing a few additional comforts, particularly among those who have families of young children, as well as the widows and fatherless. Should any... who feel for the reverses and trials of the working classes, be disposed to make me the almoner of their bounty to my poor parishioners, whose wants have been attended to without the slightest reference to religious opinions your kindness in inserting this appeal will not have been in vain'.

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many workers were Roman Catholics while Mr Waithman was a Quaker and might have employed his fellow 'Friends' at Holme Mills.

Later the mills were re-opened by Edward Shepherd 'who had some insight into cocoa matting trade as a governor of Wakefield prison who produced various types of coco goods...!'

The prison reference might underlie a myth relayed by Burton and Milnthorpe people that their neighbours at Holme were once convicts though, despite cyclical hard times, they never reached that depth.

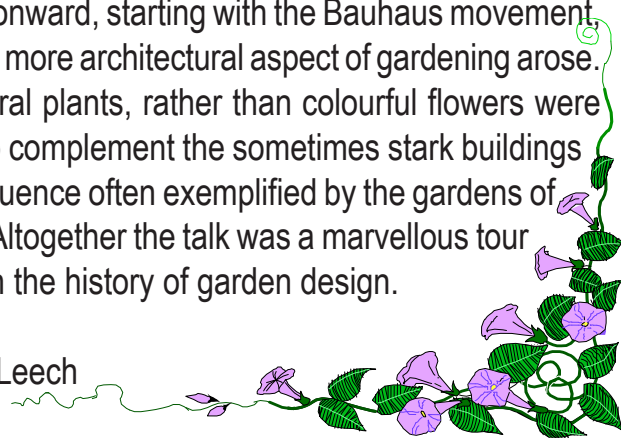
Lunesdale Decorative and Fine Arts Society

The Garden: A Reflection of its Time

The April illustrated talk, given by Mrs. Marilyn Elm, showed with great clarity the historical changes that gardens have manifested through the ages. Her first examples were of mediæval gardens developed from the monastery gardens in which herbs were grown, often for their healing properties. Gardens then were safe walled enclosures, with fountains and Moorish influences brought back from the crusades, places for eating outside and for enjoyment – just like today - as shown in illustrations to the 'Romance of the Rose'. In Tudor times, new plants were being discovered and brought to Europe, and were to be seen in the houses of the nobility. Here we see the

knot garden with its geometric spaces and the use of coloured gravels and topiary. Both mediæval and Tudor gardens were inward-looking enclosures that kept out the sights and sounds of foreign environments. With the 16th century Italianate influences were incorporated: hillocks to give views over the wall, wrought-iron fencing to allow one to see and be seen, and exotic plants from all over the newly-discovered world made their way to the houses of the great. In the 18th century Joseph Addison, writing in the *Spectator*, influenced garden design by pointing out the artificiality of current gardens, and so Capability Brown began to design gardens with more naturalistic features. This trend was later softened by the Picturesque movement, gently grading the garden's style from formal to naturalistic, which worked in well with the contemporary Gothic architecture. With the 19th century came many more plants and the ability to over-winter them by the use of greenhouses. The Arts and Crafts movement greatly influenced artistic design, as exemplified by Gertrude Jekyll's work for the architect Edwin Lutyens. Jekyll used plant colours and structures much as Monet did, as a paint box in the garden. From the 1930s onward, starting with the Bauhaus movement, a much more architectural aspect of gardening arose. Structural plants, rather than colourful flowers were used to complement the sometimes stark buildings - an influence often exemplified by the gardens of today. Altogether the talk was a marvellous tour through the history of garden design.

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The Daffodil Show



The Annual Daffodil Show was held at The Kings Arms Hotel, Burton-in-Kendal on Easter Sunday. The Judges were Mr and Mrs Alan Humphries. After the Show the entries were sold by auction and the sum of £665 was raised. A further £160 donation from Les Bratby's Fishing Competition made a grand total of £825 for Guides and Brownies.

Please can we express our sincere thanks to all who entered exhibits, donated Auction Items, all those who came to the Show, and gave so generously in order to help raise such a magnificent sum of money. Thanks to our judges Alan and Sue Humphries for giving up their time and skilfully judging the entries. Sue has been a life-long supporter of the Guides Movement and it was great to have her judge this fund-raising event (see below).



Our grateful thanks to Mike and Zoë Nelson for their support, generous donations, and the use of the Kings Arms. Thanks also to Paul Rogers, Rachel Morrish, and their willing band of helpers for their assistance in portering items to the Auction. Thanks to Dave Williamson for the printing of our publicity material. A thank you to Barbara, Molly and Jackie for their book-keeping. A special thankyou to Les Bratby for the generous gift of £160 raised at his Fishing Competition and donated to Guides and Brownie Funds

The selections for May Queen, Attendants, and Rose Buds was also made. They are: Rose Queen - Katie Yates, Attendants - Jade Shepherd & Rachel Slinger, Rosebuds - Sera Ceryuagit & Erin Still.

John Long and Mike Earl

THANK YOU

The Guides and Brownies would like to thank the Gentlemen of the Kings Arms for everything they did for us to raise so much money at the recent Daffodil Show. Particular thanks go to John and Molly Long and Mike and Barbara Earl for their hard work on the day and to Mike and Zoë for hosting the event for us. Our thanks also go to Les from the Trout Farm who donated £160 to our funds from a fishing day. Your efforts are greatly appreciated by us all.

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OPEN CLASSES	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
1 One Daffodil	Aisha King	Mike Earl	Rebecca Maine
2 Three Daffodils	Louise Barker	Andy Bailey	Lauren Nelson
3 Nine Daffodils	Andy Bailey	John Long	Robert Burton
4 Easter Cake	Rebecca Maine	Linda Wilson	Emma Hensey
5 Six Scones	Robert Burton	Lauren Preston	Rachel Morrish
6 Tray Bake	Lillian Earl	Lillian Earl	Lillian Earl
7 Fruit Pie	Lauren Preston	Lesley Maine	Andy Bailey
8 Flower Basket	Carrie Morphet	Emma Hensey	Carrie Morphet
9 Pot Plant	Andy Bailey	Lesley Maine	Brian Martin
10 Loaf of Bread	May Read	Mrs Gunson-Rose	Lauren Preston
11 Rhubarb	Mike Earl	Mike Taylor	Mike Earl
12 Decorated Chocolate Egg	Rebecca Maine	Rebecca Maine	
CHILDRENS CLASSES	YEAR 6 and UNDER		
1 Decorated Easter Basket	Emily Wilson	Max Ladell	James Burton
2 Decorated Boiled Egg	Joshua King	Lucy Burrell	Emily Wilson
3 Decorated Egg	Raegan Preston	Molly Warburton	Emily Wilson
GUIDES			
Decorated Chocolate Egg	Ellie Hampson	Vicki Hill	Freya Whitaker
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Archives & Libraries

My County Cabinet portfolio for Cumbria has in the last month given me the greatest joy and an awkward problem. Firstly, the good news, which included the confirmation that the Heritage Lottery Fund, has granted £4.75m towards the new £6m Archives Centre at Carlisle. This is, I am informed, the largest HLF grant to anywhere in the North West of England. It will provide an up to date archives centre with provision for 60 researchers and with storage space for all the records which are currently stored all round the County and which can take up to a week to access. The grant will also pay for the restoration of a Neo-Gothic mansion, which will adjoin the new centre and help upgrade a run down part of Carlisle. It therefore is a good example of the policy I inaugurated last year of 'Regeneration Through Culture'. Equally dear to my heart is the fact that five sixths of the project will not be paid by Cumbrian Council Tax payers. Other good events have been a series of 'festivals' in our Libraries. Over 200 people attended an 'Asian Festival' on a Sunday in Kendal Library where apart from Asian literature, music and crafts we also sampled a variety of curries. All of which is a far cry from when as a nine year old I ventured upstairs to the children's section where 'Talking and

Enid Blyton were not allowed'. I am also pleased that 'Cultural Grants' are good value for money. At our April cabinet I reported that in 2005 cultural grants of £269,500 provided 'outputs' of £7,232,329 of income earning activity, created 192 new jobs, 315 part time jobs with 10,000 people taking part in events watched by (to be precise!) 4,278,895 people. So the arts contribute to our Council aim of inclusion.

The Arts

This aim unfortunately came up against a messy problem at The Brewery Arts Centre in Kendal where the Director on 'artistic grounds' refused permission to *Kendal Amateur Operatic Society* to stage *Carousel* as its main autumn production. As The Brewery gets a grant from the County Council I was lobbied by the Operatic Society's supporters to threaten to cut off Cumbria's grant. Though I fully appreciate the outrage expressed by the *Carousel* lobby I was unable to intervene directly as this year's grant, which is only about 3% of the Brewery's income, has already been made. Moreover, constitutionally artistic directors have freedom of action. By and large I think this is right - otherwise we would go back to the times when Council Watch Committees censored *Look Back in Anger* and banned Picasso paintings from their Art Galleries. On the other hand, participation in the arts is a major community aim; that is why our Neighbourhood Forum has given funds to *Burton Amateur Dramatic Society* and other village groups. *Carousel* has a cast of about 100 plus so it does seem regrettable that they can't be given a venue, especially as at the end of the day it is the people's own money which subsidises the local arts. On money, we are



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already looking to the Budget for 2007 - 2008 and already it looks grim, as the government has again said that the Whitehall Grant will be once more cut and already both SLDC and the County have cut their reserves to the minimum - and we don't want to reduce services.

Roads, Pavements & Dog Mess

I have as usual complained about the roads and pavements in Burton and now that the better weather should be coming we might see some action. I have also received complaints, for the first time for a long time, about the minority of antisocial dog owners who fail to clean up for their pets. As always it would help if offenders could be reminded or if they fail to 'poop scoop' be reported to the police. But witnesses have to be prepared to go to court if necessary.

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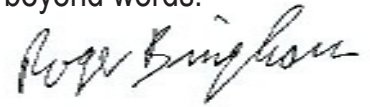
I'm afraid I have got nowhere on the subject of our 'Carnforth' postal address. A PO official said that it was 'up to the council' to decide about addresses. She did not know which council, while all our councils say that postal addresses are decided, reasonably enough, by the postal authorities - but I'll press on.

No Local Elections

Incidentally, several people have asked about why we are not having local elections. The reasons are that the County Elections of 2005 are for four years - so the next County Election is due for 2009. The District Council is re-elected in thirds - so the next SLDC election (along with the Parish Council) will be in 2008.

Thank You!

Finally a big THANK YOU: At South Lakeland's Civic Dinner I was presented with a Long Service Certificate as, having represented you for 23 years (!) I am now the third longest serving member on SLDC; I appreciate your support beyond words.



CLOSEUP

Here is the full size image for the previous 'Closeup' which was all the way back in March 2005 !!



You'll find this on the steps of Hutton House - it's a boot scraper (to remove mud from the sole)

Now, where is this month's 'Closeup' from ?

Yes it's a bricked-up "something", but where?

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NEWS

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The responsibility for dealing with stray dogs has moved from the Police to the District Council, along with other powers relating to dogs and dog-fouling. The Council will also be able to close noisy premises and deal with alarms and other statutory nuisances such as insects from industrial or business premises and artificial light emitted from premises.

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Sunday 9th July

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Monday 10th July

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Wednesday 12th July

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Editorial...



No more posters !

Yes, one of the mainstays of village event publicising has now been outlawed - pinning a poster to a telegraph pole. So Burton residents will no longer be reminded as they go about their daily business that some event that they would probably have liked to attend is afoot. At least Burton has *BN* (which is delivered to every household) to fall back on but many other villages don't have this luxury. They can still appear in shop and house windows of course, however the impact of a well designed poster on a telegraph pole is hard to replace.

Boon Town

Well we all thought this had gone away but it appears there has been a revised plan produced at last. No details yet as it arrived too late to be included in the April Parish Council meeting. It will though be on the agenda for the next one for all interested parties to hear about, so tell all those who may like to attend!

BN Annual Fund Raising

It's that time of year again, where *Burton News* asks the residents of Burton to show their support in a more material way than a pat on the back and 'Well Done!' Unfortunately, much as we appreciate the verbal support, it doesn't pay the printers and costs there rise year on year as ever.

Missed it again?

Well, having just had the fourth *Burton News* Annual Meeting we once again had very few residents turning up. We can only surmise that our readers don't feel it necessary as they approve of the way *BN* is run - after all, it has been said that people only attend public meetings to complain! However, if anyone does have any views, positive or negative, about *BN* we really would like to know and do take notice of constructive criticism. No need to wait till the next annual meeting either, as all our meetings are open to anyone to attend and are publicised on the back page of every magazine. Please come and meet us, we don't bite - honest!

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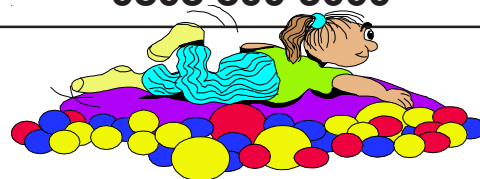
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BURTON-IN-KENDAL **PARISH COUNCIL**

The **Parish Council** meets every month on the third Thursday in the month at 7.30 pm in the Burton Memorial Hall. Members of the public are always welcome to observe the proceedings. At each meeting there will be an opportunity for members of the public to voice their concerns, under agenda item **OPEN FORUM**. The Parish Council hopes that parishioners will take advantage of this. **Planning applications:** Parishioners are asked to ensure they notify the PC as well as the planning authority of any comments or objections they have about any planning application within the parish. **The Agenda of the next meeting and Minutes of the last meeting** are always available on the Parish Council notice board outside the Burton Memorial Hall or on the Parish Council website at <http://www.burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk>. On the website parishioners may also vote on the current **HOT TOPIC**, leave comments or suggestions on the **FEEDBACK** board, find contact details for the Clerk & Councillors, and access the archive of PC agendas, minutes & reports.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT
THE CLERK - Charles Dale
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Diary and Events

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



BURTON FELLWALKING SOCIETY

May Walks

Sunday 7th May 13.00

Rusland Pool, D Walling 015395 62632

Saturday 20th May 9.30

Dent (9 Miles), N Pullen 732873

***Wednesday 24th May 18.30**

Whittington, M Earl 781723

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

Visitors £1.00 Membership £4 from Jan 1st yearly

Burton Amateur Dramatic Society
presents a Murder Mystery Night with Hot Pot Supper

COLD BLOODED MURDER

Friday 19th & Saturday 20th May

Burton Memorial Hall

All-Ticket Admission - £10 per head

Last date to book tickets: 14th May!

Burton Pre-School

Fancy Dress Disco

Sunday 21st May

4.40 - 6.00 pm

Burton Memorial Hall

Up to and including Y2 children

£1.50 per child ~ Adults free

To include hot dog & drink



Burton Art Group

Mondays 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Burton Memorial Hall

For more details tel. 782749



Burton W.I.

Meetings at 7.30pm in the

Burton Memorial Hall

Thursday 11th May

Resolutions

Competition: A favourite saying

Hostesses: Mrs M Gunson & Miss L Dixon

*Guests and new members welcome
For further information tel. 781506*

Lunesdale Decorative & Fine Arts Society

The History of the Long Case Clock

Colin Lattimore, OBE

Tuesday 20th June

Lectures start promptly at 2.00pm

includes AGM and Social Event

Borwick Village Hall

Visitors & new members welcome

Tuesday Club

Social Club for over-55's

May Meetings

Tuesday 9th & 23rd

2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Burton Memorial Hall

New members welcome

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**LAST DATE FOR COPY FOR NEXT ISSUE
20th May for June issue**

Next Meeting (open to all readers)
Monday 8th May at 6.00pm in BMH

BMH = Burton Memorial Hall