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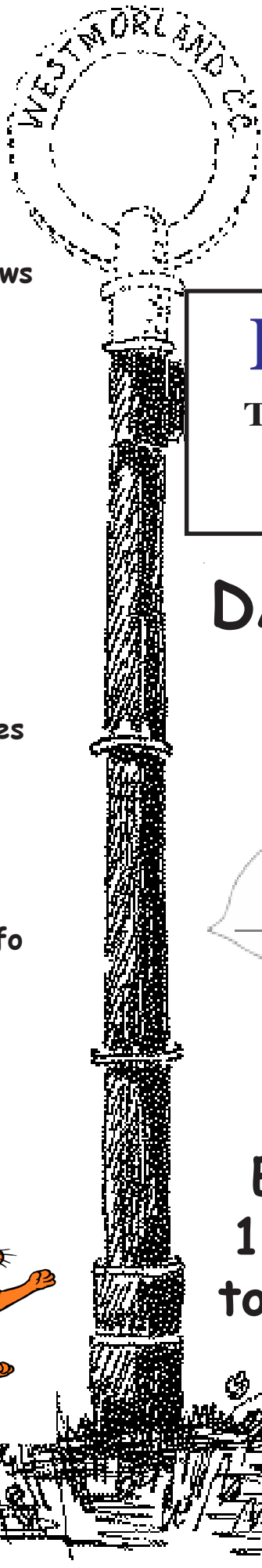
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THE VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

March 2008

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## DAFFODIL SHOW



Easter Sunday  
23 March

Entries  
10.30am  
to 12noon

20p per Entry

Auction  
Starts  
1.30pm

In aid of the Guides,  
Brownies and Rainbows

See page 2 for classes & more info

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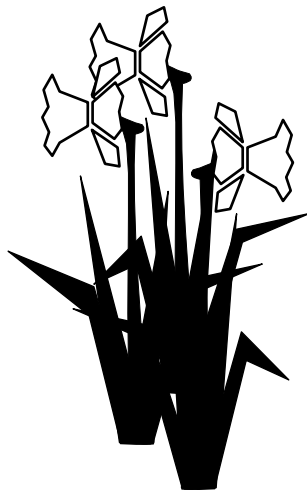
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# Village Store & Post Office News

First of all, also somewhat belated, a "Thank-You" to all of you who returned our questionnaires (we received 74), your feedback will be most useful in our planning for the future Village Store. Since this is a relatively small sample my analysis is very approximate. If anyone is interested in detailed figures, these are available from the store.

We hope that this communication will be an ongoing process, please continue to give us your feedback and ideas and we would still welcome ideas from those who chose not to respond.

Just under half the respondents visit 3-5 times per week, 30% visit us daily, we had just one response from an infrequent visitor.

The reasons for visiting the store were: Post Office (almost 100%), purchase of newspapers (90%). Three quarters of respondents purchase groceries from us and approximately half buy confectionery or non-food items.

From the list of proposed products and services, the most enthusiastic response was for local produce. We have begun to introduce local food items (from Hutton Roof, Sue Prickett's Marmalade & Chutneys and also Handmade Soups & Cooking Sauces from the Holme-based company "Mellow Meadow".) These items have proved very well-liked.

Introducing a wider range of fruit & veg. and more deli items were popular ideas and we will certainly try to develop these areas.

The photocopier is clearly an important service which we have every intention of retaining. Hire of DVDs was requested by 40% of respondents; unfortunately we have been unable to find a suitable supplier for rental DVDs of recent films. The last company used at the store is now in receivership.

We were pleased to see that there was interest in some of the new products and services that we would like to

introduce (Digital Photographs, Flowers, Hot Food, Fresh Coffee.) Once the future of the Post Office is clear, we will look further into supplying these.

Finally, can we thank you for all your expressions of support for the Post Office and your regular use of its services. The petition that we sent to Tim Farron M.P. had over 500 signatures and I know that many of you have written very eloquent letters directly to him expressing how the closure of Burton P.O. would affect you.

The six-week period of public consultation is due to begin, for Cumbria, on 18 March (according to the P.O. website) we expect that the proposals for our area will be published at that time.

Fingers Crossed!  
Gill and Akis



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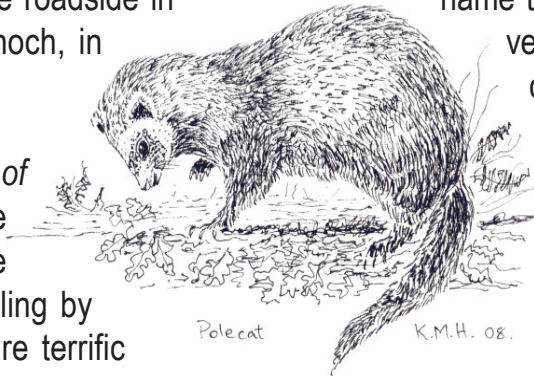
On the last day of January, when the drenching rains and gales were still on, I had a phone call from Kath Hayhurst, Burton's historian, to say that she'd seen a polecat lying dead on the verge near Deerslet. We went next day to see it and there it was, inert and bedraggled in the winter grass: 31 inches from nose to tail-tip, dark brown with yellowish highlights, little teeth bared. I had last seen one, also dead, on the roadside in northern Scotland west of Dornoch, in 1989.

According to my *Observer Book of Wild Animals* (first issued before the Great War), polecats became far less common after much killing by Victorian gamekeepers. They are terrific hunters and kill as much as they can. One killed sixteen turkeys, which were too heavy for it to drag away: a sheer instinct in anybody who doesn't know where their next meat is coming from, like the Kalihari Bushmen who eat so much when they track down an antelope that they can hardly walk for the next few hours.

John Hayhurst used to send ferrets and ferret/polecat hybrids down rabbit warrens when he lived at Badgergate near Lupton. He and his mother took baskets with two dozen rabbits to sell at Lancaster market. He considered ferrets to be 'more methodical than the hybrids and less fast.' This was confirmed when I phoned Neil Shaw. We used to have great chats

about dogs and wildlife when he worked at the butcher's. When he suggested I could come out with him when he went ferreting, I seized the chance.

On a perfect Sunday, when ash trees and sycamores were still casting their bluish-white frost shapes on the pasture grass, we took the road north at the Woodlands garden centre cross-roads and walked off into the fields beside the Stainton beck. Neil had four ferrets and a hybrid in boxes lined with wood-shavings, slung over his shoulder by a strap. The polecat is called Eric (a



name thought up hurriedly one day at the vet's) and he's thinking of calling the chunkiest ferret Clarissa after the well-built TV cook. Along with his dog Mick and Carl Jackson we made for warrens well-known to Neil since he was brought up nearby on the farm at Woodhouse. Ferreting runs in the family. Father and grandfather both did it and a person they knew used to ferret in a local graveyard, where he stretched a big catch-net between two headstones and worked with a team of a dozen lurchers and terriers.

All this was new to me. What they do - a method shown on 13<sup>th</sup> century tapestries - is unleash the dog and let it smell down holes until it pauses and looks intent. Then several holes are netted and ferrets are sent down to flush out the rabbit. It bolts and hits the net, which closes round it. Some of Neil's nets are heirlooms eighty years old.

(Vegetarians should skip the next bit.) Neil or Carl then

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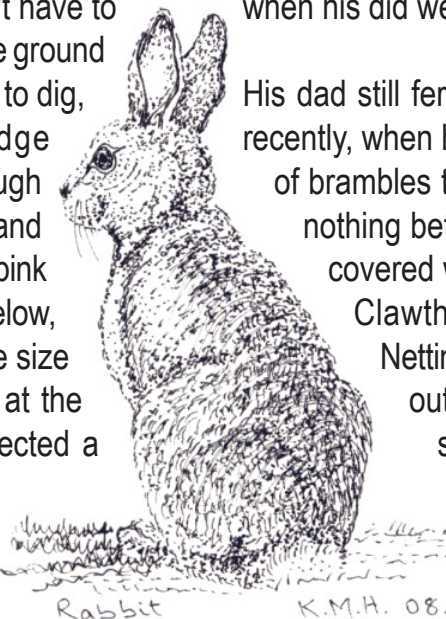
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broke the rabbit's neck. Neil squeezed out the urine, slit the belly, pulled out the guts and threw them away (with a titbit for Mick), slit the hindleg between bone and tendon, and pulled the other paw through - all this with the dexterity of a conjuror. Then we carried the catch to the next warren. By noon Carl had four slung on an aluminium pole used for probing deeper earths.

Mick was adept and used to the whole thing. He's a greyhound/Bedlington first-cross, beige with long hair, eleven years old and not quite as quick as his prime, when he killed two deer and a fox. One warren was on the side of a moraine crowned with '..monumental oaks.' Here Neil was thankful he didn't have to dig for the cornered rabbit, because the ground was full of shingle. When he did have to dig, beside an ancient hawthorn hedge revetted with field stones, it was tough work. A rabbit bolted and was netted and dispatched. The ferret (pure white with pink eyes and luxurious fur) stayed down below, so Neil took out a sonar tool about the size of two mobile phones and pointed it at the ground. When it whistled, it had detected a live animal. The ferret came out. The sonar still whistled. One more rabbit still down there. Neil dug and dug with a narrow-bladed spade, getting past pebbles to rich brown soil; lay down on his side with his cheek on the grass; and stretched in the full length of his arm. He could feel fur. He dug some more, reached further in, and hauled out a rabbit which had got jammed crossways in the burrow. One ear was bleeding from the ferret's bite.



The hunting finished with one catch in a cairn round a venerable elder tree behind Edward Duckett's yard at Clawthorpe. The whole day had been enriched by Neil's flow of talk about the district and its people. He knows the ground as you do your own garden. He used to fish the beck for brown trout and recalls dropping the fly into a backwater under a bridge between fields. Just there we saw a dipper skimming upstream while Mick went down to the beck for water. Neil had caught jarsful of minnows as a boy, and once he brought home a rich catch of rainbow trout which had escaped from a fishery. His dad wanted to 'give him a thick ear' for poaching. Neil swore they were from the beck and when his did went down there, he caught plenty too.

His dad still ferrets enthusiastically (aged 66). Once recently, when he had crawled deep into a thicket full of brambles to net a hole, he was saying, 'There's nothing better than getting scratched to bits and covered with cowshit, hunting the rabbits.' The Clawthorpe cairn too was well brambled. Netting was tricky because any cane sticking out prevents the net from closing. Carl stuffed his jacket down one hole to prevent the rabbit from escaping and I found a big stone to block another. We got the rabbit, a beautiful plump doe (now cut up and stowed in our freezer.) By this time Neil was fairly muddy and bloody and his arms were well scratched. As he said, 'There's nothing better than ferreting with the sun on your back.'

*David Craig*

Line drawings in Outdoors are by Kath Hayhurst



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## *Roger Reports On....*

### **District & County Matters**

Budget time is the worst time for councillors as we wrestle with the perennial problems of matching increasing demands for services with declining grants, rising expenditure on, for instance, fuel for council buildings and essential vehicles, higher-than-inflation pay settlements and the costs incurred by new laws like the Disability Discrimination Act. In particular the single status job equalisation laws of 2006 will cost Cumbria (along with other authorities) £10m per annum for the next ten years. Also, 'events' and bad weather affect finances.

The collapse of Northern Rock has alarmed arts charities formerly benefiting from 0.6m pa in grants from the Northern Rock Foundation. They may now require more funds from the Council Tax. So far I believe that the organisations on which I serve like Brewery Arts and the Theatre by the Lake may not suffer this year. I am also a trustee of Prism Arts (for disabled adults), Arts in Education and the Cumbria Deaf Association which are already seeking new funding. The Brewery has, however, had a larger than expected grant of £122,000 from the Arts Council while the CDA benefited to the tune of £170 raised by me

when I was sawn in half during Milnthorpe's Christmas on the Green festival!

As for the weather, the hard frosts in December followed by the third wettest January on record resulted, as we all know, in more floods and potholes. Happily, I have convinced Capita that the flooding on Station Road and in Tanpitts Lane gardens was aggravated by last years resurfacing - so the 'council' will be carrying out repairs. I've also put pot holes and crushed verges in Dalton Lane on the repair list. Following my recording 197 patches on Main Street, Capita say they 'hope' to resurface it in 2009. This will be the street's third major repair in my time as your local councillor. Although it is some years since we won our 'campaign' to ban Quarry lorries wear and tear on our village roads are as bad as ever.

The Colossus of Roads led to a big debate in January when a motion to spend £1m on emergency road repairs was passed although the executive thought that £500,000 was the prudent amount as the County's reserve of £6m is relatively low. Nevertheless, in 2008-09 Cumbria will spend an extra £3.6m on roads. I know you'll help me pester the County to spend some of the money here! Also don't forget the Roads Hotline 0845 609 6609.

Later this year our successful Parish Lengthman services will be supplemented by new Community Stewards. They will carry out maintenance and preventative work like unblocking gullies and will use cameras and detailed maps to record problems and check on completed and outstanding jobs. Sounds

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good -but I'm worried that a centrally organised scheme by Amey-Mouchell will cost far more than our own Pilot parish lengthsman. We need less micro-management and more spade work - and I'm saying so!

One of the biggest changes in local government finance is the successive drop in government grants which in 1993 paid for 66% of Council costs compared to 47% in 2008 - leaving more to find from the Council Taxpayers. Even so, this year Cumbria's Council Tax rise of 3.9% is the lowest increase since 1993, 15 years ago! Overall the budget has increased by 6.3% from £308m to £327m which will mean a Band D Cumbria Council Tax of £1,112 which, the Council was told, will be lower than Lancashire's Band D. But increases in the Police and Parish Council rate will add more to the sum. Thus in 2007-08 Band D in the Lancashire Parish of Melling is £1428.70 compared to the overall Burton sum of £1405.93. The County's share amounts to 80% of the Council Tax. The District Council share is around 11%. The District's rise will not be fixed for a week after the BN deadline but is also likely to be under 4%. But some councillors are proposing that there should be no increase in tax as the shortfall could be met by 'efficiency savings' and from funds raised last year which have not been spent because of 'slippage'. We'll see!

Misuse of alcohol is a major concern currently. At a recent County seminar we were told that on average two drunk drivers are arrested each day in Cumbria and that 'drink' contributed to 75% of crimes committed by the 13-28 years group. 20% of alcohol related crimes were by 13-18 year olds. Also 31% of 14-17

year olds purchase alcohol regularly and girls are as likely to 'binge drink' as boys. Crimes against the person are mainly committed by young people on other youngsters and again 32% of these muggings were fuelled by booze.

Although alcohol is part of student life, our two local universities are doing well. At Lancaster a rebuilding scheme, which we can glimpse from the M6, has resulted in 4,348 new rooms since 2003. The University currently is ranked in the top 100 in the world and has a satellite campus in China. At the University Court where I represent the County Council I stressed the value our nearest university has for local people of all ages as well as for undergraduates. A worry is that half the students are unable to find part-time jobs. The new University of Cumbria is doing well and has just got a coat of arms - which incorporate the Cumberland bull and the Lancashire red rose. But I personally regret that Westmorland badges like the Herdwick ram or a Wordsworthian daffodil are not depicted. Incidentally, as in other years I noticed that the St James Drive daffodils were 'blooming early' on 12 January. Were they the first the in the district?

Best wishes,

*Roger*



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# Going Green - Mar'08

The Diary of an Eco-Worrier

## Furniture Matters

The living room is full of furniture. Dismantled wardrobes line the hall. When our friends announced they were moving to Australia, I asked them to pass on anything they didn't want to take or couldn't sell. I couldn't face the thought of perfectly good wardrobes and tables ending up on the tip. So now we have new furniture, lots of it. "Do you only ever make friends with people who are about to emigrate?" asks Carbonlite's sister, climbing over a wardrobe to get to the kitchen. She's referring to the fact that our house has been almost entirely furnished by other people and their house moves.



7 years ago we moved to our Burton family home from a tiny two bedroom cottage in London. At that point we only had a bed, a wardrobe and a kitchen table. Luckily, shortly after our arrival some Swiss neighbours moved back to Switzerland, leaving us with a couple of unwanted set of chests of drawers and a wardrobe they'd have otherwise taken to the tip. Another friend moved to London and only had a small van, so our furniture collection expanded further. A further friend decided that Far Sawrey was too far to take three single beds, a filing cabinet and a mound of duvets, so we inherited them too. And so it is that our home is an eclectic jumble of... well, other people's jumble. While other people's houses are a reflection of their tastes,

ours is a reflection of our ex-neighbours' shopping trips.

But it doesn't stop at the furniture. It was when Carbonlite really got into the green stuff that word began to spread. Now people regularly turn up with bikes, helmets, tyres, printers, files, and my personal favourite... back copies of *Hello* magazine. My brother sent a pristine Ford Mondeo our way because he already had three cars in his drive and wanted rid of it. People constantly arrive with bags of clothes for the kids, which the children love, saving me a small fortune on the high street. When they grow out of them I give them away to others, a small scale community fashion industry.

Most of the time it's great, we get free furniture, as well as saving it from being wasted and causing landfill emissions.

At other times I wonder why I don't get the chance to go shopping like other people and buy the things we really want, that reflect our personality and personal wealth. Sometimes I wonder why we accepted the huge 1970's office sideboard that stretches the whole of our living room. And our crockery has depleted so drastically that we fight over cereal bowls in the morning, but don't buy any just in case some bowls come our way for recycling. Last week we stayed with friends in Kew. Their newly refurbished house looking out onto the river is every home owner's dream. But I couldn't get past the spoons. When they opened their drawers and revealed a collection of soup, dessert and teaspoons that made me drool, I had to confess to the green eye of 'spoon envy.'

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But every spoon matters. Every impulse purchase puts another kettle or teapot into landfill. An American scientist recently told the world that the 'Arctic is screaming,' as a result of global warming. This is a direct result of our consumerism. Every time you take a wardrobe or microwave to the tip because it's 'not your colour,' then the screams get louder. Next time you've tired of something, offer it to a neighbour or friend. They might need it, or know someone who does. Or contact Carnforth or Kendal Freecycle, and someone will immediately take it off your hands. On the other hand, if you're thinking of emigrating and have a particularly nice set of spoons...



## SLDC Recycling News

This month we will look at how the cardboard we collect is processed and recycled.

The cardboard recycling facilities are provided in partnership with Barrow Borough Council and a contractor based in Barrow. There are cardboard collection banks at 16 locations around South Lakeland; each bank can hold around 75 kilos of card. The banks are emptied by hoisting the full bank above the collection wagon and releasing doors in the base of the bank, allowing the contents to drop into the wagon. The card is then taken to the depot in Barrow for baling.

After baling the card is taken to a mill for processing. The card is put into a hydropulper, where it is mixed with water to break down the fibres. It is then cleaned and any contaminants, such as staples, are removed. The resulting pulp is then dried and ready to be used in the manufacture of new cardboard products.

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## An Opinion...

Comments on the goings-on at the  
Parish Council

### QUALITY STATUS - IT'S IN THE BAG

A welcome, and rather unexpected announcement by the PC Chairman came in his opening comments. PCllrs have been invited to attend the conferring of Quality Status Charter on Burton Parish Council (and others) on 3 March. So at last Burton will see what benefits the special concessions promised will bring. (Hmm... thinks A.O.... can Burton claim back wage increases to the Parish Clerk for the many many months before SLDC saw fit to grant the charter despite Burton having fulfilled all the requirements?).

### Election of Parish Councillors

The three-year term for many PCllrs comes to an end in May, when elections will take place. A mix-up occurred at a previous election, and nomination papers were handed in too late. Hardly the fault of the nominees, but nevertheless questions were raised. PLEASE ensure your nomination papers are sent or delivered to the Electoral Registrar before the deadline. Details of how to go about nominating a candidate will appear shortly in the Post Office, and in the PC Newsletter, and on the PC noticeboard.

### The Police Report

This has sunk without trace. Our Dist Cllr reported that ALL local parishes are concerned about this. It was certainly a valuable Police service to the community, and surely a positive help to themselves, and it's a mystery why it's been discontinued. The Clerk has written to Cumbria Constabulary asking that the

monthly report be reinstated. As A.O. understands it, the poor Community Police now have to make their way everywhere by public transport, so it's probably too much to expect they will ever again make a personal appearance at PC meetings.

### Public Forum

1. A "Sustainable Village" - In answer to a query about whether Burton was still categorised as an "unsustainable" community, the Chairman replied that it was not - how could it be, when, for example it has a bus service? But A.O. remains uneasy. It's important that Burton comes under the classification of sustainability, as this will strengthen the argument for keeping the Post Office. Hopefully the PC will pursue this, as all agree the strong need to support the local Post Office in yet another threat to its existence.

2. Slape Lane - A question was asked about the deterioration of the surface in Slape Lane. Hadn't Quarry Sustainability funds been allocated to resurface it? A.O. was impressed by the brusque reply. It appears that English Nature (who administered the fund at that time) had been won over by an adverse article in Burton News (OUTDOORS) and decided to abandon the idea. Could this be a first? wonders A.O. When was a public body so easily swayed by a single article in a village newsletter? But the question still stood: what happened to the funds put aside for this project? It was all in the financial statement produced at the time, was the reply. And so the matter was left. Other factors have contributed to the poor state of Slape Lane, it now appeared in discussion. Ploughing of a field whose furrows run down the contours instead of along them has resulted in water - and topsoil - being channelled into the lane, claimed a PCllr. And cattle on Burton Fell



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had strayed into the lane - possibly in search of water - and churned up the surface.

### **Flooding**

The chairman reported that Capita have accepted responsibility for addressing the problem of flooding on St James Drive and Tanpits Lane. The question of flooding that caused raw sewage to erupt onto Main Street was also raised, and concerns expressed about the possible exacerbation of this when the new houses on Boon town were occupied.

### **Christmas lights**

That's all sorted. PCllrs voted for 'white' lights for the new lights next Christmas. But A.O. sided with the one brave opposing voter. Lights at Midwinter are a celebration of new life, and should surely be as bright and cheerful as possible? They're not a matter of 'good taste'. We're not talking Park Lane here, this is Burton-in-Kendal.

### **The Lengthsman**

Once again, all praised the work of our excellent lengthsman, Mr Holmes. He is at present on a month's training course, but negotiations to keep his services are ongoing.

### **Cattle in Dalton Woods**

Much discussion on this topic, causing A.O. to abandon all hope of watching the end of Masterchef. There are two herds. 8 cattle graze Burton Fell. But the remainder wander in Dalton Woods (Craggs.) Doubts were expressed by PCllrs (some with considerable farming experience) as to whether this was a suitable area for them (inadequate grazing, water etc.) Further, they do damage to the footpaths, and intimidate walkers, particularly dog-owners. The Clerk will write to Forest

Enterprise raising these concerns. An invitation to meet the cattle (well, their handler or whatever) has been extended. Those interested should contact PCllr Hopwood, as unfortunately everyone was talking at once and A.O. didn't get the details.

### **Plain Quarry**

Forest Enterprise have agreed to some basic maintenance.

### **Speaker for the Parish Council AGM**

Barry Jackson, Planning Officer for SLDC (but not, it was emphasised, CHIEF Planning Officer) has accepted an invitation to give this talk. It will deal with the mechanics of planning, etc, and no specific planning matters will be raised.

### **Caterpillar Walk**

The unstable wall at the foot of this path is to be repaired by Persimmon Homes. What a long, unstructured meeting! But there's more:

### **The Boon Town Territory**

It was reported by a PCllr that the builders (Impact) are encroaching ever more on the area it was believed had been reserved for the ever-shrinking playground. Builders have requested the removal of the climbing frame, in order to construct a "turning circle". most PCllrs suspected there is a contravention of the agreed plans, and the clerk was instructed to ask for a copy of these from the Planning Dept. What a pity Impact aren't as easily influenced by adverse A.O. comments as English Nature appear to have been by OUTDOORS!

A.S.

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## Why do you go to the theatre?

When BADS chooses a play we are trying to give you something that you will enjoy and that will be memorable. I have no worries about the play we are putting on this May. John Peel's plays are wonderful ones to see and to act in. They can be taken at many levels of understanding and are, therefore, extremely satisfying. Like Peel's *WI Blues*, *Starting All Over* takes a group of family members, friends, the vicar, postman, and her who cleans, and looks frankly at what makes them tick and how they interact. Peel's ear for dialogue is as unerring as ever and his ability to allow us to discover the person by peeling off the layers is fascinating. *Starting All Over* is another world premiere for Burton and one we are privileged to be able to present. We are also taking the play to Kirkby Lonsdale after the Burton opening, for a charity performance for North West Cancer Care. It's a long time since BADS has performed outside the village and the experience will be good for us. This is a play you will remember and think about for a long time - make a date in your diary so you don't miss it.

*Starting All Over* by John Peel, Burton Memorial Hall, Friday 16 and Saturday 17 May, curtain up at 7.30pm and at Kirkby Lonsdale Institute Friday 23 May, curtain up 7.30pm

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## BIG KIDS' DAY OUT

Bookings are now being taken for the Big Kids' Day Out on Saturday 15 March. It will be a *Fun on the Water Day* at Pine Lake and is for children in Years 7 - 11. The cost: is £12.50 per child which includes food. There are limited places available so book now to avoid disappointment. For further details and booking please contact Christine Foster on 782694 or Julian Rowley on 784874.

## LONDON MARATHON

We are two mums in the village who are going to attempt to run the London Marathon in April of this year! All the money we raise will go to Macmillan Cancer Support. If you would like to sponsor us, the sponsor form is in Bryn the Butcher's shop, the Memorial Hall and the village shop. We really appreciate your support and thank you in advance. Yolanda Metcalfe and Louise Barker

## MacMillan Quiz Night

The recent Quiz in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support in the Kings Arms raised £152.00. The winning team was the 3Rs, consisting of Barbara Rossi, Paul Rossi, Paul Rogers and Ian McCutcheon; and the runners' up were ASAP, who were Alison Kay, Simon Kay, Philip Swift and Alan Lowes.

Thank you everyone who supported us.

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## BURTON BOWLING CLUB

Once again, the bowling season is nearly upon us, and it is about this time of year when anyone thinking of coming to the green to have a roll should be polishing their bowls.

Which brings me to my next point, in a village the size of Burton (some 1600 adults) it would be nice if more Burtonians used the green (and the other sports facilities) rather than the twenty odd that use it now.

This year we are introducing a special rate for first time members, we have added a family rate of £40 for 2 adults and up to 3 kids, (a saving of £46 on our usual rates. Offer applies to new members in first year only.)

The green will be open from Monday 17 March.

May I take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported our Bingo Night in December, without which we would have struggled to keep our heads above water this year.

Unless I hear differently, the mowing rota will remain much the same as last year, thanks to all involved.

For membership details please call:-

Carl Dobson - 07930583984 or Anne Craig - 01524781569

Carl Dobson, Chairman BBC



## Burton Pre-School NEW TO YOU SALE

Burton Pre-school are holding a "New to You Sale" at Burton Memorial Hall on Saturday 15 March between 10:00am-12:00 noon

If you wish to sell any good quality children's items (from birth to 11 years of age), please contact Helen Crayston on 01524 781788 for an individual code and guidelines for sellers. Commission rate is 15%.



## Sports Committee News

Are you a princess who longs to be a queen? Or a bud that hasn't yet been allowed to bloom? Then here's your chance to be the Rose Queen or one of her Rose Buds at this year's Sports Day. You'll find an entry form and a box for completed entries at the Post Office. The winner will be announced at The Daffodil Show on Easter Sunday in the King's Arms.

Rose Queen Year 7 - Year 11 (age 16)

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## 2008 Round Britain Challenge

My name is Jonny Moore and I am currently 16, I live in Burton and attend QES. In the summer of 2008, I intend to set off on a trip that will take me around the coast of Great Britain single-handed, under sail in Casulen II, my Corribee Mk II. It will take between 75-95 days to cover the distance of around 2200 nautical miles, travelling in a clockwise direction, and I will most likely be setting out from North Wales. To the best of my knowledge, I will be the youngest person ever to attempt this trip.

I intend to go around the whole of mainland Britain, including round Cape Wrath and through the Pentland Firth. I see sailing around Britain as something I can personally achieve at this stage, and also being a stepping off point for more shorthanded offshore sailing, as it is here that I see my future. I also intend to put my trip to good use by raising funds for Kendal Sea Cadets (as this is where I was first properly introduced to sailing) in order that they can continue to introduce more young people into the sport.

To date, I have been fortunate to receive support in the form of equipment from several

companies, which has helped me in the preparation of my boat. There are, however, still certain areas that need addressing, notably foul weather gear and an autopilot. If you are able to help me in any way, please do get in touch. In addition to this I am still looking for support for day-to-day living costs as well as individual sponsorship for my chosen charity.

Over the last 2½ years, I have spent a lot of time on the water, both in Casulen II and in a variety of other boats; including Polar Bear and my mirror dinghy, Erised. This, together with the help of the UKSA and The Polar Front, has enabled me to complete nearly all of the RYA qualifications available to me at my age, and stands me in good stead for my trip.



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The qualifications I have gained so far are:

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RYA day skipper; completed on Outreach II in 2006

RYA diesel engine qualification; completed at HMS Gannet in 2004

Short range certificate (VHP GMDSS) gained in 2006

RYA yachtmaster offshore shorebased certificate

RYA sea survival

MCA first aid certificate



I have now also exceeded the pre-exam requirement for the RYA Yachtmaster offshore certificate having already spent in excess of 100 days on board yachts in the last 2 years. However, I can not take the exam until I am 18.

If you would like any more information with regards to my trip or can offer help, then please do email me at [info@jonnymooresailing.com](mailto:info@jonnymooresailing.com) or see my website at [www.jonnymooresailing.com](http://www.jonnymooresailing.com)

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If you would like to have a pitch, inside or outside, please phone Helen Dawson on (01524) 782277 to book one as soon as possible. Inside will cost £6 per table (provided), and outside £5 per car boot (tables not provided.)

As boot fairs start early, the Hall will be open from 7am for pitches to be set up, and the car park will be open to booters to set up from 7.30am. The sale is open to buyers from 8am, free admission.

Please note that no vehicles will be allowed to enter or leave the car park after that time for public safety, so any pitch pre-booked and not occupied within 15 mins of opening time will be re-let to someone else.

Refreshments will be available - tea, coffee, cold drinks, cake, and our famous bacon butties! The proceeds from the stall hire, refreshments and raffle will go to Hall funds. All stall hirers keep their own takings, so what's to lose? Book now before all the spaces go!



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## *HISTORICAL FOOTNOTE by Roger Bingham*

### **Olden Times forty years ago**

Pounds, shillings and pence, raffles raising 13 shillings (65p), pre-motorway 'trips' taking two hours to Penrith and four to Chester for Old Age Pensioners (not 'Senior Citizens') - sounds like an age away. But these snippets of social history date from only 40 years ago. They come from the minutes of the Burton Old Aged Pensioners Association for 1964-71. The Association was founded at a public meeting held in the Memorial Hall on 25 August 1964. Following 'addresses' by the Rev J.E. Nuttall of Kendal and from Mr R Rooke, area organiser, a chairman Mr G. Yeadon was elected with Mrs C.L. Newsham as Treasurer and Mr J.T. Nixon as Secretary. Meetings were arranged for alternate Tuesdays starting at 2.30 with tea and biscuits at 4.30. Tea was bought in bulk of 'two cartons of 30lbs for the price of 4/- per pound earning a 17/6 bonus and 5/- discount'. But as a security measure it was decreed that 'there should be only one key to the tea locker to be held by the secretary'. Tea hostesses were immediately appointed but, in a revolutionary move towards gender equality, every month or so refreshments were to be provided by 'the Gentlemen'. Members were charged 3d per cup but to help defray other costs the first raffle brought in 13 shillings. A month later a raffle 'for an embroidered tablecloth kindly donated by Miss Weston raised £1:8s:3d'. Despite a 'public notice inviting members irrespective of age' all the first 32 members were 'over 60s'. For the first bumper Christmas Raffle the first prize was a £3 grocery hamper, the second a bottle of whisky and the third a £1 Premium Bond. Almost incredibly, tickets

were 1d - one penny - each or a book of thirty for half a crown! Despite many requests, Westmorland County Council 'could not assist the Association financially' while the Memorial Hall Committee declined to allow the OAPs to use the facilities rent-free but asked for them to be represented on the Management Committee.

The Association was soon relatively well-off with, for instance, £32 in funds at the end of the first year. The money had been raised from regular coffee mornings (already a key feature of Burton life) and from an annual Jumble Sale for which the Burton Youth Group 'kindly did the collecting'. They were therefore financially well-able to make a presentation to Nurse Turner when she retired as District Nurse in 1969 and to send sick bed gifts like a 'a dozen chrysanthemums to Mrs Hayles who had undergone an operation'. Along with 'official notepaper' they also ordered 5 dozen birthday cards and 1 dozen get well cards. With equal thrift they benefitted from an offer of 'Horlicks for OAPs' at 4/4 compared to the normal price of 6/6.

The Association's first meeting coincided with the 1964 General Election Campaign. Accordingly, the branch filled in a questionnaire from the Conservative candidate Michael Jopling, asking for an increase in Pensions to £5 per week. Two years later they sent a similar plea to the Labour Prime Minister, Harold Wilson, but they failed to get any local member to attend a Pensioners' Rally at Morecambe during the General

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Election of October 1966. Moreover it was still some time before the £5 pension was achieved. But to help the wider cause they agreed to a levy of two pence (2d) per member for area funds.

Otherwise Burton's pensioners ignored politics and concentrated on fund-raising and social events. One aim was to provide half the cost of trips from funds so that the less well-off would be more able to take part. But it was quickly decreed that members would have to attend at least 12 times per year to get the 50% discount: so as a check a register was called at meetings 'just like in school'.

Unfortunately the first trip to Morecambe Illuminations failed to attract sufficient support. Otherwise, successful trips were made to the Yorkshire Dales 'starting at 9.30, 10/6 each, pay for own meals'; to the *Sound of Music* at Blackpool - '35 seats reserved - first come first served'; to Penrith start at 12.30, tea at The Devonshire Cafe at 4.30, back via Keswick to reach home about 8.30pm. The Llandudno trip was a special marathon starting at 9am to reach Chester for lunch at 1.30pm, the resort for 4pm - return to Burton for 10pm. On a trip to Gretna Green in 1970 the OAPs observed, from Shap Summit, the construction of the M6 in the Lune Gorge to the east. A less adventurous evening 'mystery tour' ending up at Glasson Dock lasted just three hours and cost 6/-. Trips to factories were popular, perhaps because of the freebies doled out. Hence Burton's canny pensioners went to Messrs Libby McNeal and Libby's Milk Factory at Ackenthwaite, to Blackpool Biscuit Factory, Beetham Paper Mill, Smiths Crisps at Fleetwood, K Shoes Kendal, Heinz

at Wigan, Lever Brothers at Birkenhead and to Rowntrees at York. On the way back from York they had a high tea 'consisting of chicken, ham, tongue, salad etc.' at the Temperance Hotel, Hawes at a cost of 10/-. But they might not have enjoyed it, for the next year when a return visit to Hawes via Dent was proposed, 'after a controversial discussion the matter was left in abeyance'. Moreover not enough members wanted to go to the LADOS production of the *Sound of Music* 'as they'd all seen it'.

Perhaps because so many OAPs also belonged to the Women's Institute, the OAPs copied the WI pattern of having competitions for, for instance, an Easter Bonnet, dyed eggs, an antique cup and saucer, an unusual spoon and a favourite photo of members with their children. They also had a WI type 'social half hour'. Entertainments included 'Mr Willan the illusionist from Kirkby Lonsdale', several visits by the Lancaster Concert Mannequins and Christmas carols. It is not recorded how much they enjoyed a talk on 'chiropraxy for OAPs'. The Christmas Party was the key OAP event. For the first party crockery and cutlery were borrowed from the Royal Hotel, 12lbs of meat ordered from Mr Tommy Crayston, 3 pints of milk from Mr Park while Mrs E Crayston and Mrs Dobson saw to the cakes and trifles. There was no charge for members but half a crown was charged for guests. Yet it was probably the fortnightly chat over a cup of tea which meant most for most members. Even so, they properly did not like a decision in January 1971 that with the 'advent of decimalisation' the new charge for tea would be '2 and half new pence per cup'. A new age was beginning to dawn for 'the Old Age Pensioners' of Burton.

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John Clegg, in his very thoughtful and knowledgeable lecture on Chopin, gave us a real perspective into his music and that of the Romantic Movement in which he played such a significant part. It is a very curious fact that the four giants of romantic music composition – Chopin, Liszt, Mendelssohn and Schumann – were all born between 1809 and 1811, at the inception of the Romantic Movement. This also went hand in hand with the development of the piano, which evolved from a wooden framed instrument into a steel framed one. And this development was of vital importance to the music of Chopin. For although the piano is a percussive instrument, he made it sing! Debussy said of Chopin's music: "His music was the greatest because with the piano alone he said everything!" And John Clegg went on very ably to demonstrate this fact, both with his lecture notes and the musical examples.

Schumann said of Chopin that "he looked across Germany to Italy for inspiration" and he certainly admired such composers as Bellini. He resuscitated such musical forms as the Nocturne and the Scherzo and at the end of his life composed the twenty four preludes - one for each note of the scale - one of his major contributions to music. John Clegg gave us some delightful examples of Chopin's compositions specially showing the great variations in these twenty four diverse pieces. He ended his musical examples with the exquisite "Berceuse."

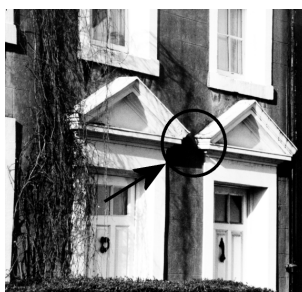
Throughout his life Chopin suffered from ill health, and had a tempestuous relationship with the writer George Sand. They finally drifted apart, partly because he didn't much care for the hot house artistic milieu in which she liked to move. By 1848 his health had seriously deteriorated and he died in that year at the age of 39. Chopin's output was mostly confined to solo piano, yet within its limited framework its range is seen to be vast, encompassing every emotion, the true exemplification of the Romantic Movement!

The next two LADFAS illustrated talks will take place in Borwick Memorial Hall as follows. On Tuesday 18 March, Jane Gardiner will talk about "The contribution

of Josiah Wedgwood I to the history of world ceramics", and on Tuesday 15 April, Peter Osborne BA AD MA will talk about "William Kent – The First Design Guru". Lectures start at 2.30 pm promptly. Visitors welcome, to arrange to attend, please contact Fanny Leech on 015242 72009.

LDFAS is continuing the Heritage Volunteering project at Sizergh Castle begun last year. Anyone wishing to participate please contact Mel Winstanley, 015242 21277.

## CLOSEUP



Did anyone get the 'Hint' from last time? Dick Whittington 'turned again' and if you did this from last month's viewpoint you'd have seen... the opposite side of The Square!

Time to revisit one of our previous 'Closup' places, from a different angle of course, can't make it too easy can we?



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Sunday 2 March @ 1.30pm: Signs Of Spring Ride around Arnside and Silverdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Easy paced, family friendly ride, with stop for tea. Under 8 miles. Meet Yealand Village Hall. Leaves 1.30pm. Back by 4pm.

Sunday 16 March @ 1pm: Round Robin Ride to RSPB at Leighton Moss. Visit the reserve or enjoy coffee and cake in the tea room on this easy afternoon outing.

Families welcome. Under 8 miles with longer options for those who want. Meet Burton Memorial Hall. Leaves 1pm. Return ride leaves Leighton Moss 3.30pm, back by 4.30pm.

'Tuesday Trolley Dash': If you've errands to do in Carnforth, why not join us most Tuesday mornings for a sociable ride to town and back. Meet 9.15am Burton Square (next to Royal Hotel) or call us in advance and we can meet or pick you up along the way.

All welcome on these rides, especially families. Children must be accompanied. If you want to borrow equipment please contact us in advance. Otherwise, while it helps to know if you are coming, you are just as welcome to turn up and join us on the day.

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### The full Easter message



18 June 1815 is a very significant day in British history. On that day Wellington faced Napoleon at Waterloo. The future of the nation hung in the balance. The whole country was on edge waiting for news of the outcome of the battle. At last the signal ships came into view. A blanket of mist almost prevented the signal from being read, but the lookout was just able to read the message before the fog finally came down: "WELLINGTON DEFEATED."

The very worst had happened and the terrible news spread from beacon to beacon. When the fog lifted a few hours later, however, it became apparent that the lookouts had been a little too hasty with their conclusions. The full message now came into view: "WELLINGTON DEFEATED THE FRENCH."

When Jesus died on the cross he did not look like the great King he had declared himself to be. His miracles had suggested that he was the mighty Messiah promised by the prophets, but his death seemed to do away with that idea. That's what the jeering mob in Jerusalem no doubt concluded as they stood before Jesus' cross, looking up at the battered, bleeding and naked figure before them with the crown of thorns on his head and the mocking sign above him: "THE KING OF THE JEWS." Some King! What a pathetic picture of weakness. As far as they were concerned, the message of the cross was crystal clear: "JESUS DEFEATED."

But how wrong they were. They'd been a little too hasty in their conclusions. That twisted, agonised figure was and is the Lord of all who, in his death, was achieving the greatest victory in the history of the world. That victory was only announced two days later when, on Easter Sunday, Jesus rose from the dead. Then the full message could clearly be seen: "JESUS DEFEATED DEATH."

Jesus wasn't just a religious teacher. He is the Son of God, the mighty Christ. The resurrection reveals the true identity of Jesus. When Thomas (the disciple of Jesus who had doubted the resurrection) saw Jesus for himself, he uttered the undeniable truth: "My Lord and my God." Once we recognise the resurrection, those are words we should all use of Jesus.

Happy Easter everyone,

*Paul*

#### Notice:

If you would like to request prayer for yourself or for anyone else, please contact Paul on 781391

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## Sunday 2 March (Mothering Sunday)

09.30am Family Service Burton  
11.00am Family Service Holme  
06.30pm Evening Church Burton

## Sunday 9 March

08.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Holme  
09.30am Holy Communion Burton  
11.00am Holy Communion Holme  
06.30pm Evening Church Burton

## Sunday 16 March

09.30am Morning Prayer Burton  
11.00am Morning Prayer Holme  
06.30pm Evening Church Burton

## Thursday 20 March (Maundy Thursday)

07.30pm Holy Communion Burton

## Friday 21 March (Good Friday)

10.30am Devotional Service Holme

## Sunday 23 March (Easter Sunday)

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

## Sunday 30 March

10.30am Joint Family Service Burton  
06.30pm Evening Church Holme

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Malcolm & Sheila Brownsord and their trusty MG go off on another adventure (part 2 next month)

## BEATTIE GOES TO SPAIN

After our last trip to Ireland in Beattie, our MG RV8, we booked a tour of northern Spain with the MG Owner's Club, and accompanied by our friends from Gressingham travelled to Plymouth on 10 September to ferry across to Santander on Spain's northern coast. There were 15 other MG'S in our group.

On the morning of our arrival in Santander we set off to drive 220 miles or so west to our first hotel in Ribadeo. We had a smooth and speedy journey rapidly discovering that northern Spain is green, with countryside somewhat akin to ours in south Lakeland but much more wooded. For most of the way we had a magnificent inland backdrop of the Picos de Europa, a range of stunning limestone mountains.

At a lunchtime stop in a small fishing village we realised, and it was confirmed throughout our tour, that northern Spain is not a major tourist destination for non-Spanish. English is not commonly spoken, the shops are not festooned with cheap plastic toys, and vulgar postcards are entirely absent.

Ribadeo, a small city on the estuary of the River Eo, is unremarkable, but the harbour areas have recently been expensively re-modelled to produce a commercial port, a very pleasant promenade and a marina for pleasure vessels. The old town which runs up from the port has many fine original buildings but few have yet been restored. Our accommodation was in a parador – a former large Galician house which had

been extended by the addition of guest bedrooms.

Whilst in Ribadeo we visited the famous Cathedral Beach, a long expanse of stupendous sand broken up by high rocky outcrops, jutting onto the beach, which have been pierced by wave action to create gaping holes and caves. So that the disabled might enjoy what we the able can, lengthy slow sloping timber decked ways (compliments of the EU) are constructed to the best headlands.

Whilst driving around we noted unusual relatively small store buildings with slatted sides and pitched slated or tiled roofs. These buildings were generally supported on dome-topped conical stone or timber pillars. It was clear that they had been constructed in that way to make them vermin-proof. We learned later that they were built for storing grain and for drying and storing maize.

On the first Saturday of our trip we had a run to the ancient town of Lugo through the largest eucalyptus forest in Europe, and on the way back up and over a couple of passes at a height of around 3500 ft.

Lugo is a town of great contrasts. There are a couple of pedestrianised streets with fine restored buildings all occupied at ground floor level by quality shops. These streets lead into a magnificent square at the northern end of which is Lugo's impressive cathedral. The old town is enclosed within the only complete Roman wall still in existence. Its circumference is around one and a half miles, and whilst Peter and I walked in the hot mid-day sun the girls decided that retail therapy was much more sensible.



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On Sunday we motored to Santiago de Compostela where we stayed for 4 nights in a modern hotel on the outskirts. Santiago is one of Christianity's 3 holy cities. Every year millions of visitors flock to the Plaza del Obradoiro, the square outside the cathedral, which is the goal and terminal point of the most popular pilgrim route in Europe.

Whilst the cathedral is large and gaudily decorated, I found it unappealing. Within it, but not in place when we visited, is a massive botafumeiro into which incense is loaded. This burner is said to be so large and heavy that it takes 8 men to swing it from a very stout rope hanging from an ancient gantry high above. Apparently when it is swung over vigorously the congregation is often scattered by flying sparks and incense shards.

Although we enjoyed looking at the many ancient buildings, churches etc. the highlight for me was the old food market complex – wonderful indoor stalls selling meat, fish, fruit and vegetables.

On our second Thursday we left Santiago to travel further inland to Leon. Our run was a good one in hot weather. We had intended to visit at Samos where there is a truly magnificent monastery. For some odd reason a petrol filling station and repair garage have been built into the original structure. We found no parking and decided to press on climbing fairly steeply to reach the crest of Alto San Roque at 4250 ft where there is a bronze statue of a pilgrim marking the route of the Pilgrims Way to Santiago.

*To be continued next month...*

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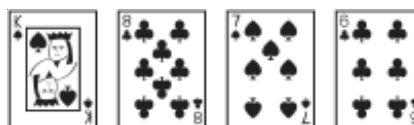
Tickets £15 which includes supper  
and play chips

Black Tie. 8pm - 11pm

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# What's On?

See back page for more village events & activities



## Holme & District Photographic Society

### March Meetings

- Fri 7     *John & Doris*, David Bibby. Raffle  
Entries for battle with Garstang
- Fri 21    Members' Evening, Jim Nicholson Trophy  
Entries on the night. Digital AV, <4 mins
- Fri 28     Club Competition: Action

All meetings at Holme Village Hall at 8pm

**Visitors welcome at all meetings**

*For membership details contact  
Boots Weatherill    01524 784905*



## Holme & District Local History Society

### Black Sheep of Windermere

Speaker: David Kinsman

Monday 17 March at 7.30pm

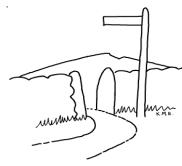
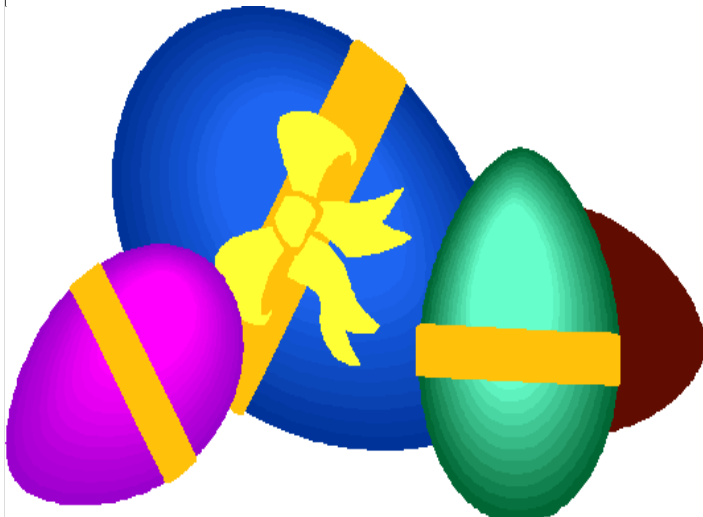
Burton Memorial Hall

*Visitors welcome*

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## BURTON FELLWALKING SOCIETY

### March Walks

Sun 2 Mar - 12 noon Rusland & Satterthwaite  
Leader: Clive Horsford, 782493

Sat 15 Mar - 9.30am Silver Howe  
Leader: Helen Nixon, 781048

Wed 26 Mar - 1pm Sedbergh \*  
Leader: Oenone Hutchinson, 781803

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 1<sup>st</sup> yearly*

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## LMMES

Cinderbarrow



Welcome to the miniature railway at  
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Trains will start running on Good Friday  
& on most Sundays & Bank Holidays  
(weather permitting)  
throughout the Summer  
10.30 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

For more details ring Peter Ellis, 781057

## **CAR BOOT & TABLE TOP SALE Sunday 13 April from 8am Burton Memorial Hall**

**Bookings contact  
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*In aid of Hall funds*



# What's On?

See back page for more village events & activities

## County Library Van Times



The library van will be in the Memorial Hall car park every Monday between 10.00 - 11.00 a.m. Why not pop along and save yourself a trip to Kendal?



**Burton Art Group**  
Mondays 2:00 - 4:00 pm  
Burton Memorial Hall  
For more details tel. 782749



**Burton W.I.**  
meeting at  
Burton Memorial Hall

**Craft Evening**  
Kendal Castle WI  
Thursday 13 March 7.30pm

Competition: A hand-crafted item  
Hostesses: Mrs M Thistlethwaite, Mrs W Marrison

Contact: Helen Nixon 781048

**HOLME SOCIAL CLUB**  
Tel: 781936

**Easter Bingo**  
Friday 14 March  
Doors open 8pm, Eyes down 8.30pm

**Entertainment With**  
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Saturday 22 March

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First Monday of every Month

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**Burton-in-Kendal  
Art & Craft Society**

Burton Memorial Hall

**“Watercolour Workshop”**  
with **Louis Morton**

**Saturday 22 March**  
10am-4pm

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## Editorial...



### Sailing into the history books...

That's what one Burton teenager is about to have a go at this year, attempting to be the youngest person to sail single-handedly around the coast of Britain! Read what Jonny Moore is doing in the summer holidays after finishing his GCSE's - and not only do we wish him all the best in his adventure we look forward to a follow up on the journey.

### Burton cheers you up!

Overheard on a local radio phone-in line last month was a tale of someone driving to work through Burton on a wet and windy grey morning when their whole day was brightened up at the sight of a lady making her way along Burton Main Street with a very cheerful brightly coloured umbrella. So whoever you were you made a big difference to a total stranger without realising it.

### Hands Off Our Post Office!

As Gill and Akis have said on page 3, the future of our Post Office is under review; recent figures state that of the 50 post offices in the Westmorland & Lonsdale constituency, 43 are at risk and a quarter of those could close. We need to try and ensure that Burton is not one of them, so anything we can do to help keep it open is vital.

Tell your local MP how vital the post office to the village and cite what it would mean to you if it was closed - he will use this evidence in the consultation process. Tim Farron said, in response to a recent letter from us, "...the Post Office is crucial to the very life of villages and small towns ... we are told that so many of these local post offices are unprofitable but it was Government decisions made them unprofitable."

We urge everyone to continue making the fullest use of our local Post Office to ensure that it is - and remains - commercially viable and stays at the heart of the village.

There are many ways to use it - pay your bills, car tax, post parcels, buy foreign currency, travel insurance and many other services. Ask Gill what services the Post Office offers and use them before it's too late!



AN & BJM

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Please contact Judith Ellis on 781057 for further details.

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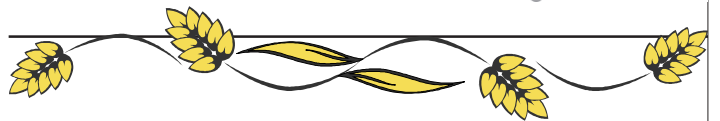
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Dr JH Gorrigan

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1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month

10.00 -11.00 am

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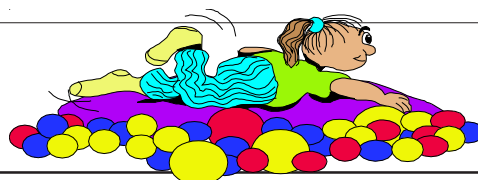
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To arrange a marriage contact the Kendal Registrar.

## **BURTON-IN-KENDAL** **PARISH COUNCIL**

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT  
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# What's On?

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## ADVANCE DIARY DATES

**Dr Bike**, Yealands Village Hall (am) followed by Family Ride (pm) - Sunday 2 March (see pg 19)

**Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum**, The Athenaeum, Leasgill - Wednesday 5 March, 7.30pm

**Burton Pre-School New to You Sale**, BMH - Saturday 15 March 10am -12 noon

**Big Kids' Day Out**, Pine Lake - Sat 15 March (see pg 12 to book)

**Family Ride: RSPB Round Robin** (pm) - Sunday 16 March (see pg 19)

**Annual Daffodil Show**, Kings Arms - Easter Sunday 23 March from 10.30am onwards

**Fun Casino Night**, Kings Arms - In aid of MacMillan Fund & Burton 1<sup>st</sup> Responders - Thursday 3 April

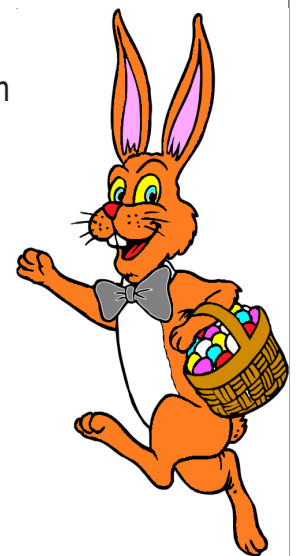
**Burton News Annual Meeting**, BMH, Monday 7 April, 7pm

**BMH Car Boot & Table Top Sale** - Sunday 13 April set up from 7am, open from 8am

**BADS Spring Play**, BMH - Friday 16 & Saturday 17 May, curtain up 7.30pm

**Children's Sports Annual Village Sports Day**, School Field - Monday 26 May

**Annual Art & Craft Exhibition**, BMH - Saturday 7 & Sunday 8 June 10am - 4pm



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