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Yes it's another August issue of Burton News but it seems that the change is still catching a few of you out ... so here's a reminder that it's **January** that we have our annual rest.

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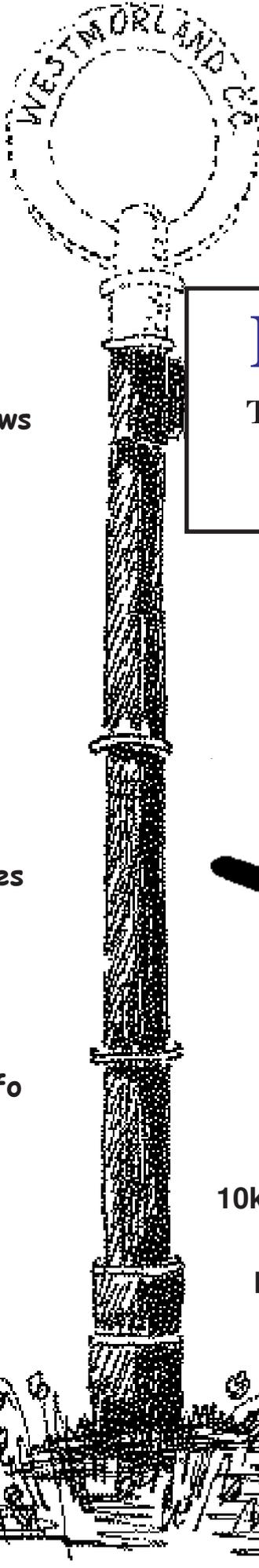
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Dear BN,

Re: BN Issue 172 – “An Opinion”

I wish to correct the view that the Burton-in-Kendal Parish Council is an undemocratic organisation as implied by your contributor.

The current Parish Council, bar the recently co-opted member, all went through the fairly arduous process of putting themselves forward as candidates in the local election which was held 1st May 2008.

This entails obtaining the correct forms from the SLDC electoral services department in Kendal; completing a valid Nomination Paper complete with a Proposer and Secunder both of whom have to be on the current Electoral Roll for the Parish; completing a Consent to Nomination which needs to be witnessed; submitting the Papers to the Returning Officer in Kendal by the specified date.

Following the close of nominations the candidates were then notified that the election was not contested and duly received the Notice to person elected as a Parish Councillor which stated: “TAKE NOTICE that you have been elected to serve on the Parish Council of the above named Parish. Your term of office will commence on 6th May 2008.”

It is hardly the fault of the current parish councillors who all give generously of their own free time to serve the people of this parish that so few residents were prepared to put themselves forward as candidates for election that there was no need to go to a ballot.

The co-option of the new parish councillor was carried out strictly in accordance with the rules laid down by Statute.

On a minor point the co-option of a Parish Councillor was not as a replacement for Janet Alderson as she had not put herself forward for election but to fill a vacancy following the Uncontested Election held 1st May 2008

Yours sincerely,
Francis Mason-Hornby
Chairman, Burton-in-Kendal Parish Council

An Opinion's Reply

There's no disagreement here. A.O.'s lament was that since there wasn't a contest because no other Burtonians put themselves forward as candidates, it wasn't in fact an election, because we didn't vote.

Here's the O.E.D. definition of election:

The choice of a person to fill a vacancy in a representative body by a vote among those represented. (An example quoted by the O.E.D. is from Evelyn Waugh, "I have been elected as Chairman of the Parish Council.")

As for co-opting members to serve, it seems to A.O. that this is an unfortunate, if necessary, procedure which rules out the opportunity of choice for the electorate.

Nor, because no vote takes place either at an uncontested election or at co-option, do we have the opportunity to gauge the relative popularity of candidates, or indeed to be certain they would have received any votes at all.

I don't understand the point made about Janet Alderson, but apologise, as always, for any misrepresentation. Possibly a misunderstanding due to the mistaken inclusion in the Minutes of Janet's attendance at the June PC meeting?

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.

Dear BN

I'd just like to thank the vicar for his excellent column in July's Burton News. This kind of practical moral guidance is entirely suitable for a secular publication, helping all of us to reflect on how we live our lives whatever our religious affiliations. It's a fine example of the church serving the whole community. More of the same please, Paul.

Tony Toubkin
Thornleigh Lodge, Burton

Dear Burton News,

Having read the July issue I would like to make the following comments:

I feel that the PC should have gone with the advice on the climbing frame by the Playground Cttee after all they are the experts (as they have had advice from several independent parties including Health & Safety re: comments on the need of safety mat) on the ages and abilities of children who may use the park.

When is the PC going to listen to the people?!

It would be a marvellous gesture if a small portion of Mr Bingham's bonus found its way into the playground fund.

We hear there may be more building on the Royal site! The people of Burton who I have been talking to are getting fed up with objecting against new buildings, and the objections being passed over by the PC

When will the PC listen to the people?

Soon our village will end up as a small town with no green spaces for the people to enjoy.

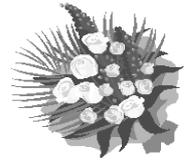
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Outdoors

Exploring Bodmin Moor in eastern Cornwall, on a sublime summer day, was like walking on the underside of the sky, or crossing the bared seabed of an ocean. Which is what it was. Fifty million years ago this part of England was covered by a chalky sea, until the crumpling upwards of the earth's crust that also formed the Alps lifted Cornwall clear of the waters.

I had long wanted to visit the Cheesewring, having read about it in the south-west England rock-climbing guide and loved the name. It was a tor, next to a quarry, and you could climb it if you were gymnastic and fearless enough (no place for ropes or karabiners). I may even have seen a photo of it with its layers of granite like pillows or flat loaves piled on each other. And there it was on the map when we holidayed at Tremayne Green near Looe: a car park, a heritage centre, a farm called Cheesewring, next to a village called Minions, about a thousand feet above sea level.

Switchbacking side roads led us up towards it. They squeezed between high Cornish banks of stone-and-turf with green barley visible through the field gates, shimmering in breezes from the Channel. On the verges herb-Robert and pink campion were like an artist's palette all the way and foxgloves raised their carmine spires. Fields gave out and we were into open country scrubby with whin and bracken. Gaunt engine houses with their stacks stood about, monuments to the great days of tin and copper mining. Not an acre

was without remains of building. Tourist country now, where four thousand people used to work below and above the ground.

A track contoured round the eastern flank of Craddock Moor. Thousands of tons of granite were carted, then trammed down it on their way to the building of Eddystone Lighthouse, docks in Liverpool and Singapore, the Mole at Gibraltar, Woolworths in Oxford Street, and even the Stock Exchange - a squalid end, you may say, for this noble stuff straight out of the earth's crust, familiar to me from childhood - white with quartz, glinting with mica, speckled black with feldspar. The Cheesewring stood out on the skyline against the glowing west, as shapely and salient as a totem pole or an Easter Island head. Such rocks look meaningful. What this one means is that when the ingredients of granite were thrust up into the earth's crust from deep down, they cooled and solidified under pressure. When the surface wore away and exposed the granite, its layers sprang outwards, like the layers in an onion. So it was explained to me by Bill Brooker, the rock-and-ice pioneer, as we walked about among such tors on Lochnagar in Aberdeenshire, eighteen years ago. 'Cheesewring' is a perfect piece of naming. How they would squeeze the whey from curd, these great lobes of granite with deep clefts between their cheeks. Or the juice from apples - on the ground nearby was a semicircle of granite, seven feet across and two feet thick, with a raised rim chiselled out - an unfinished base stone for a cider mill, left lying when the granite industry came to a close.

This felt like one of the heartlands of Britain. Sheer



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hard work and clever craft made the most of the materials in the ground. Centuries before the country demanded industry on such a scale, fields had been broken out round the edge of the moor. The wrinkles of their boundaries are as plain to see as the lines on the palm of your hand. Cairns, stone circles, and tumuli from the Bronze Age (2500-1500 B.C.) dot the land like freckles on a bird's egg. Hollow-ways lead off down to the deeper soils of the arable farmland. The vistas all around look infinite - a horizon distant more than twenty miles can be seen for 330 degrees of the great circle. Beyond the vale of the Tamar to the east, Dartmoor looms. To the west the country narrows towards Lands End, our rock-climbing mecca, and to the south the Channel glows summer blue.

David Craig

Burton News Annual Donations Appeal

A BIG thank you to all those who have once-again supported the annual BN appeal, we appreciate every penny we receive from you.

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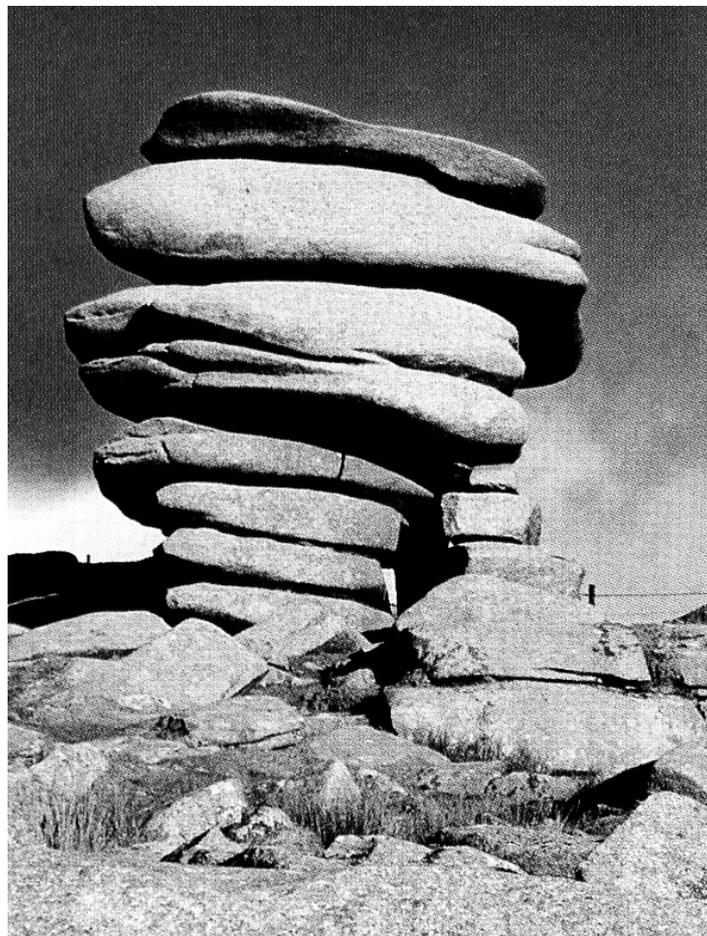
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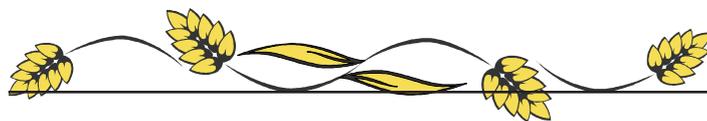
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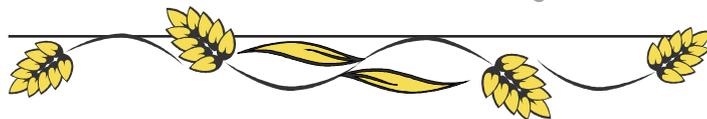


*The Cheesewring on Bodmin Moor
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Roger Reports On...

The Wider Issue

Council work is far more mixed up than might be conveyed by my monthly digests of largely local concerns - and often about roads or planning. But sometimes Councils may influence matters of even international importance. West Cumbria's Nuclear Power industry which formed the context of a long and well-argued debate at the June County Council is ultimately an international concern. The problem centres on the creation of a deep level underground storage repository for nuclear waste from the Sellafield/Windscale plant. It seems that two-thirds of the UK's nuclear waste has been derived from West Cumbria and that, at present, it is inadequately and potentially dangerously stored. Eventually the Council decided, by a big majority, to submit a formal 'expression of interest' for investigations to be made for a storage repository in Cumbria. I pointed out that there are fears in our area about transporting nuclear waste either to or from West Cumbria as moving it by sea would skirt Morecambe Bay, while trains would either cross Arnside Viaduct or use the main line which runs through Burton as does the M6, the key road approach. Culling up some information from when I did A-level Geology I wondered how authoritative were some of the

assertions that the West Cumbrian granite strata was ideal for safe storage - as the Lakeland massive is made up of concentric rings of different type of rock so that hard igneous rock can be close to softer and less suitable sedimentary rock. Someone suggested that London Clay which underlies the soggy gravels of Westminster might form an ideal deposit site. Seriously, the economic importance to the 15,000 people employed in the West Cumbria Nuclear Industry has to be balanced by an understanding of wider, environmental and health concerns. The County Council according to the official report has 'a right of withdrawal which can be exercised up until the beginning of any site borehole and in certain circumstances until constructing the repository commences'. All of us need to know more. Please, as always, what do you think?

I felt on safer ground regarding local knowledge when I was one of, I'm afraid, only 24 people who made comments at the exhibition held in the Memorial Hall on a wet Saturday afternoon in June concerning the conservation of our heritage. At present the Conservation Area runs from near Green Dragon at the south of the village to just north of The Square. Some people wondered if the conservation area could be extended perhaps to include Church Bank, Neddy Hill, Tan Pitts Lane and Heronsyke. Wearing my non-councillor's hat I also suggested some buildings which could be considered for listing. But unlike the early stages of the Development Framework, time is on our side. South Lakeland's Conservation Officer will not be compiling an interim report until November. For more information please contact Graham Darlington at SLDC, tel. 01539 773050.



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A recent report 'Cumbria's Story of Place' indicates that fear of crime is the 'highest issue which needs improving' followed by shops and leisure and then sports and cultural facilities. Despite some media stories, health worries are not to the fore. Startlingly, however, Barrow has been ranked as the 29th most deprived authority out of 354 in England and the second most deprived non-metropolitan authority. Unemployment has fallen across Cumbria in the last five years and is now 1.6% compared to a UK average of 2.3%. But in Barrow the rate is 2.6%. Hopefully the announcement that new aircraft carriers will be built gives is a ray of hope for Barrow and all of south Cumbria. More seriously for our area, average house prices rose 125% between 2000 and 2006 while earnings only grew 26%. Even so I doubt if the recent drop in house values will help much in view of other price rises. Despite economies, the increased fuel costs for essential council users is bound to put pressure on the Council Tax for 2008-09 and on the Police Authority Tax.

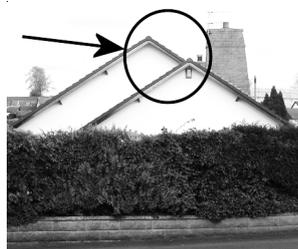
On roads I am still trying to have major (not just emergency) repairs for Dalton Lane put on the capital programme for 2009. The multi-patched and marked out Clawthorpe Lane should, by the time BN comes out, have had a full surface dressing. Most of us are daring to hope that the Tan Pits and Station Lane flood problems have been sorted out. Specifically the Highways Engineer has replied to two detailed complaints: 'Church Bank gardens cannot be adopted as it does not meet the specification' concerning the gradient of the approach road from the A6070. 'There is no means to improve it. The land is owned by 2 developers only one of whom is wishing to have the

road adopted'. 'Boon Town will be monitored and action taken against the developer if appropriate'. But, hopefully the adjacent village play area will be reinstated for use during an Indian Summer - if we get one - so let us try and look on the bright side.

Best wishes,

Roger

CLOSEUP



Can't miss these as you exit from Hollowrayne onto Main Street.



Possibly a little harder to spot this one ? The bright sparks of Burton will have no problem !

Answer and a new one in next month's BN (space permitting)

Drop us a line if you find this, first one gets a mention (and maybe their picture?) in BN.



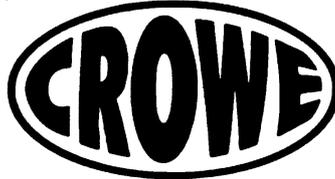


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The Diary of an Eco-Worrier

THE HIGH PRICE OF PETROL

The tumble drier sounds like an aircraft coming in to land. I'm worried it's going to cause a house fire if I use it again. I'd buy a new one, but it's the third appliance to break down this month. They always go bust in three's don't they? So no more tumble drying in the carbon household for a while.

And then the gas bill comes in at £550. I express my shock that six months of heating can cost that much. "Three months," Carbonlite replies. "And it was summer. We shouldn't have had the heating on." He goes around the house turning the lights off and shouting at people to unplug everything and switch off computers instead of leaving them on standby.

He reminds me of my father. "It's like Blackpool illuminations round here," my dad used to say every time someone turned on a light. He used to compost things too, and make soup from anything past its sell-by date that was lying around in the fridge. In fact my dad had us on a cabbage soup diet long before it became a fashion fad. I used to think he was just miserable, but now I have a new respect. He saved energy, discouraged waste, and kept the bills down. If my dad had ever got a £550 gas bill, he'd probably have had an angina attack down by the compost heap while drinking a beaker of cabbage soup.



I stare at the bill and try to think of an excuse. "It's been a rainy summer" sounds a bit pathetic. "Gordon Brown is to blame with his 40% price hikes," is convenient but not strictly true. I'm still trying find a way to wriggle out of it when I pull up at the petrol station and find it costs £75 to fill my car up with unleaded. When did that happen? On the way home, I imagine cutting the bottom out of my vehicle and pushing my legs through, powering the vehicle along from Carnforth like the crew from the whacky races. I am angry that my car costs so much to fill. But then, I reason, a litre of petrol is no more than I'd pay for a cup of coffee. Coffee is a renewable source, you just drink it, grow some more beans and hey presto. But our fossil fuels can't be renewed. They're highly precious, having taken millions of years to produce, and masses of effort to extract. They're a dwindling resource and we're terrified of them running out, and yet we waste them on trips to Carnforth that we could cycle without breaking a sweat.

I think back to my green resolutions two years ago and the excruciatingly slow progress I've made. I cycle sometimes, but not often enough. I put the fire on when a jumper would do. I hang out the washing only when it's sunny. This "eco worrier" needs that financial pressure to make her worry harder. As a family it hurts when we're out of pocket with the gas and petrol bills. But as a mother of future generations, the price of carrying on as we are is far more alarming in the end. When our homes are flooded and our fossil fuels run out, we'll dream of tough bills and petrol at £1.20 a litre.

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I pick the Carboncopies up from scouts. They run in and switch on the lights. "Hey, it's like Blackpool illuminations round here, turn them off," I say. "What's Blackpool laminations?" asks the youngest Carboncopy. "Grandad's favourite place," I reply, thinking fondly of my elderly eco-relative, who turns out to have been way ahead of his time.



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Kids of all ages will enjoy the fun run whether they run, walk or are pushed in their buggies. Mums and dads and grandmas and granddads can join in the fun run or tackle the 10k!

Bryn will be cooking bacon sandwiches, that should be enough incentive! And remember it is all for a really good cause.

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An Opinion...

Comments on the goings-on at the
Parish Council

IMPRESSIVE PLANS FOR BURTON PLAYGROUND

Public Forum

1. Boon Town Playground

All present were clearly impressed by the presentation put forward by the Burton Playground Funding Cttee who unveiled their plans for a fresh-look Burton playground at Boon Town. This Cttee has been spontaneously formed by the need arising to design a playground anew now that building is completed. Delegates came to request the PC for its support, particularly in strengthening their efforts to secure the lease of the land from SLDC, which has so far been delayed. They emphasised this is a project that involves all Burtonians. The playground will be available to all children up to the age of 15 yrs, as it always has been.

Photos of the equipment they aim to buy were shown, and were indeed exciting. The Cttee has already begun fund-raising, but there's a mountain to climb, as they estimate the cost to be £32,226, for which grants are hopefully available in part.

It was clear that a great deal of effort and research has already been done. The Cttee is starting from scratch, and have already begun on the groundwork. It is a brave enterprise, and with such commitment, and a recognition that they are in for the long haul,

hopefully Burton will be able to boast an ace facility thanks to their efforts and with support from other agencies, not least the Parish Council.

2. Burton Square

Possibly buoyed by the article on The Square in last month's BN, a resident asked the PC if his right of access to land behind the Square could be assured as it was often blocked by parked cars.

Later in the meeting the question of the use of the Square arose (Item 11 on the Agenda - Discuss Parking in the Square.) There was some division of opinion, one PCllr stating his view that the needs of residents were paramount to the appearance of the Square (the East side is "owned" by the Parish Council), and others that this should be balanced by other needs, of which one was the appearance of what they judged to be one of the key spaces in the village.

As the Parish Plan is due to be updated, it was agreed that this should be one of the topics for consideration, in conjunction with the general provision of parking in Burton.

3. Dangerous Driving through Burton

A resident from the Church Stile end of the village reported on his own observation of dangerous driving, particularly later in the evening and at night-time. It was not unusual to see cars overtaking those who were travelling at the statutory 30mph. All agreed standards were often poor and hazardous. It was hoped, they said, that the introduction of the new device (sorry, I've forgotten its name. It lights up if you exceed the speed limit) will have a positive effect. It may well have,

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suggests A.O., but not on mad Hooray Henrys, who are more likely to regard it as a challenge.

This device requires the PC to provide a post apparently at the cost of £500. A PCllr asked Dist Cllr Bingham if he could perhaps spare this out of the funds he had been allocated by CCC, and Dist Cllr Bingham thought this was very possible.

Another deterrent was thought to be a Police presence, and this brings A.O to....

The Police Report

Zilch. Though the W.Gazette reported the exciting detection of fake £20 notes by a worker at Burton Services, and the subsequent apprehending of the miscreants due to his quick thinking. And the Air Ambulance was called to Dalton Lane when a cyclist had a heart attack. No report from the Police on these or any other events.

However a PCllr reported that a Community Police officer had been spotted in the village, so we're not completely abandoned to the forces of lawlessness and disorder.

A claim by one PCllr (later in the meeting, but relevant here) that Cumbria had the second-highest incidence of knife crime in the country was greeted with astonishment. In fact it was agreed that the opposite was the case. "You've been reading your paper upside down," suggested someone, to much hilarity.

New Faces Welcomed

When those in the public gallery had long gone, a

dapper serious gentleman slipped into one of the back seats, carrying a business-like briefcase. Who was this? A.O.'s first thought was it must be some sort of agent from MI5. It is impossible to hide at these meetings, and all eyes were turned in his direction. Dist Cllr Bingham waved to him. He was welcomed by the Chairman as Dist Cllr Cooper, elected in the recent election.

PCllr Hunt was also welcomed as the new co-opted member of the PC. Neither, wisely, spoke at this, their first Council meeting.

Other matters

Because of the strong presence in the Public Forum, A.O. hasn't covered items in the order in which they arose, but here are some other items of interest.

Bus Shelter

This should be in place around mid-September. It will be adjacent to the A6070 entry to Glebe Close, on the north side.

Closure of road

The chairman has received notice that the A5430 - Ewan Mill Lane will be closed at Clawthorpe Motorway bridge in early September. Traffic will be diverted.

Plain Quarry

A PCllr reported that the Forestry Commission (Forest Enterprise) has agreed to sort out the potholes at the entrance to the car park, and to replace the height restriction bar. They will also replace the wooden risers of the steps with stone.

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Agenda Item 12 - Discuss ways to increase public involvement in Parish Affairs

As it happens, anyone who attended this meeting might well feel that there is plenty of involvement. Three different issues were raised by the public in this single evening.

Since the Introduction of the Public Forum, it's A.O.'s memory that plenty of Burtonians have attended and put their views and requests before the PC.

The trick is to take account of public viewpoints where possible. Not simply to listen politely, then ignore them, as sadly seems to be the case with many public bodies, and may well be a prime cause of our apparently growing disillusionment with politics generally.

A.S.



1st Burton Company Boys' Brigade

Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Callum Stevenson of the 1st Burton In Kendal Company was presented with his D of E Gold Award at Holyrood House, Edinburgh by the Duke of Edinburgh on Friday 4 July. It was a privilege to be present.

David J Mills



Callum Stephenson being congratulated at Holyrood

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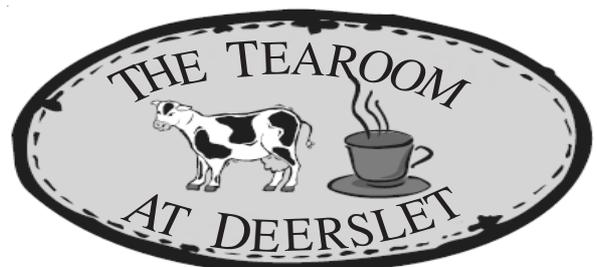


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Bowls Final at Burton

The Final of the Kendal and District Bowling League Knockout Bowling Cup Competition 2008 is to be held on the Burton Bowling Green on the 13 August at 7pm.

Twenty five teams entered this doubles completion, they have played over 8 weeks Knockout matches.

The two remaining teams will now battle to win the Cup to be presented by Mr E. Woodcock, Chairman of the League, on the evening of the event.

If you are looking to take up a new hobby or just interested watching a competition hosted by our local Bowling Club please feel free to come along.

Denise Noble,
Kendal and District Bowling League

Table Tennis

A Burton Success Story

The 2007/08 season was an excellent one for Burton Table Tennis Club and the club is going from strength to strength. All the adult teams made progress in the Kendal and District Leagues with promotion for the C team to Div. 1, the E team to Div. 2 and the A team narrowly missing out on the Div. 1 title.

The junior teams also played consistently and Peter Hunt and Matthew Pickering won promotion from Div. 4 to the adult Div. 3. In addition the Boys' Brigade team won through to the British final in Blackpool. Peter Baxendale, Stephen Baxendale and Simon Gregory were pushed into 3rd position by 2 strong Scottish teams.

I'd like to say a big thank you to Chris Jones for dragging me out of retirement a few years ago and helping to make the club so popular. Chris is a founder member of the club, and steps down this year as secretary, but has promised to help the C team preserve its Div. 1 status this season. Largely thanks to Chris, the club is known for its friendliness and has welcomed table tennis players from Keswick, Carlisle and Garstang as well as a few of us Burtonians.

Anyone interested in playing can join us for practice in the Memorial Hall on Fridays evenings from the beginning of September or contact me on tel. 781893 or Graeme Wheelhouse (secretary) on 781445.

Bryan Rhodes,
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A Very Close Call!

The Bank Holiday Monday at the end of May was notable in Burton for being the day of the annual Children's Sports Day parade through the village.

It was also a day of extremely high winds, as those braving the elements behind the stalls on the school field will testify.

Those same winds wreaked havoc on several trees in the village, in particular, one on Neddy Hill, from which a branch crashed down onto the road a matter of hours after the parade had passed beneath it.

This old conifer has shed branches before; the one which fell on that day glanced off the window ledge of Barker House, giving Roy and Pat Johnson a bit of a scare, before blocking the lane completely.

When we arrived a few minutes later we found Roy and Pat, along with parish councillor Alan Wren, and his trusty saw, who was chopping bits off the branch so it could be moved out of the way of traffic.

The tree's owners clearly decided that it was a branch too many and it was time to take action against the ailing conifer, so shortly afterwards it was felled in the interests of safety.

A.N.



*Above: The fallen branch blocking Neddy Hill
Below: The broken branch stump seen from below
[Photos by Barry Morgan]*



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Left & above: The conifer being felled
[Photos by Roy Johnson]

Clean Up After Your Dog

Burton News has had a couple of calls from residents expressing concern at dog fouling on the pavements of late, and we've been asked to remind dog walkers to take along bags and clear up after their dogs please.



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Historical Footnote by Roger Bingham

BURTON IN THE OLYMPICS SUMMER OF 1948

'When the world was young and when the first moon of Autumn was full every four years for more than a thousand years the youth of Greece gathered for the Olympic Games', wrote Sheila Bainbridge in a Westmorland Gazette article marking the opening of the London Olympics, the so called 'Austerity Games' of 1948. Although there were rowing heats on Windermere and swimming events at the Derby Baths at Blackpool the games hardly touched the North West.

Without television, Burton folk got their Olympics news from the papers, from the wireless or from cinema newsreels. Petrol for the few private cars was severely rationed but fortunately the village was now served by late night 'two decker' Ribble Buses which could take them to 'picture houses' at Carnforth and Milnthorpe or to the four Kendal, six Lancaster or eight Morecambe cinemas. During 'the hottest Whit Monday on record' 500 South Westmorland passengers crammed into the buses for Morecambe. That summer, also, a British Railways diesel engine train was introduced on the recently nationalised main line.

In the harsh post-war world not much of the Olympic spirit of tolerance was apparent. Even so, Bishop Turner of Penrith asked congregations, on the last Sunday in May, to pray 'for Palestine which becomes a homeland for the Jews at midnight tonight'. Local churches also welcomed '70 British Jews' on a

Lakeland visit. But at Ambleside Mr Price-Heywood stood in the local elections for the neo-fascist 'Union Movement'. Nearer home German prisoners-of-war at Bela Camp were officially 'civilianised' and as most were not repatriated for another year they moved around the area freely. 'The privileges granted to German civilians are mounting' grumbled a correspondent to the Westmorland Gazette. 'I am filled', she went on 'with disgust at watching women and girls

running after the Germans. Have we forgotten Belsen, Buchenwald, Dachau and the gas chambers?' Red Cross Food Parcels from Canada given out to old people in the village brought some comfort, but rumours that the former POW's had better rations than the 'natives' seemed to be confirmed

when Milnthorpe magistrates fined the Bela Camp's cook £5 for selling food from the kitchen to someone from Holme. Meanwhile farmers complained of 'slackers amongst German workers' since they had lost their POW status.

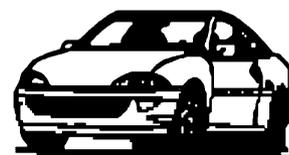
The headlines 'Youth of Today pampered' and 'Police no earthly use' reflected fears of a crime wave although the only local crime reported was the theft of a bicycle from Beetham, for which the culprit got three months in gaol. To add to the gloom, the weather was awful with 28 days of rain in June and, it was reported in November, 225 wet days out of the first 305 days in the year. Yet, during a break in haytime showers, a



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group of local farmers went over to Preston Patrick Hall to inspect a 'Hay Harvester' which could 'parcel hay into bales'. Also it was fine for a grand tennis match on the Glebe courts when Burton beat Warton by 14 sets to 10 or 108 games to 104. During a brief heat wave in July temperatures reached 90°F when a party of senior pupils from Morewood School went on a trip to a cotton mill at Wigan, followed by an afternoon on Southport sands. Burton pupils were successful in the County Minor Scholarship (11+) examination with A. Smith passing for Heversham Grammar School and Barbara Leeming, Eileen Duckett and Catherine Douglass gaining places at Kirkby Lonsdale Grammar School (QES). Unlike Lunesdale and Kendal Shows which were 'washouts', better weather attracted huge crowds to Burton Show. Regrettably the only local champions were Mr W. Dobson of Dalton with a Shorthorn bull and Mr W. Parsons of Overthwaite with Shorthorns and the newly introduced Frisian dairy cattle. At Holme Show a hound and puppy trail was diverted through Burton but this special event, though enlivening, was hardly 'Olympian'.

Burton Pre-School



The Masquerade Burton Ball organised by the Burton Pre-School committee which was themed black and white, was held on Saturday 5 July in the Memorial Hall. A total of £939.33 was raised for Pre-school.

There was a music quiz, whiskey roll, various prizes, raffle, auction and dancing. Music was provided by Bryn the butcher.

Best dressed female was won by Becca Thompson, Best Dressed Male was Steve Dobson. The best decorated table was in the theme of Hallowe'en.

Many thanks go to all the local businesses who donated prizes: Longlands Inn & Restaurant, Beales of Kendal, Mitchells of Lancaster, Balmoral Hotel Morecambe, Carus Green Golf Club, Grange Hotel, Sue Shields, Windermere Lake Cruises, The Hair Lounge Windermere, Eden Ostrich World, Morecambe Superbowl, Jonathon & Michelle Duckett, Brewery Arts Centre, Finishing Touches of Kendal, Hayes Garden World, Deerslet, Beetham Nurseries, Buttonholes of Kirkby Lonsdale.

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There was a glimmer of hope when a chocolate Labrador was seen in Borwick. Unfortunately she appeared to be very malnourished and in need of TLC. One sighting was at the Manor House in the fields; she hung around for a few days there then disappeared. She was also sighted at the crossroads of Kellett/Borwick Lane mooching around on the grass verge. (The same day of the car boot sale if this stirs any memories). There were also sightings of a chocolate Labrador at Lakeland Leisure. This was in late June.

There have been several sightings of a chocolate Labrador in the Carnforth villages during July. The most promising lead came from the landlord of The Red Well Inn at Arkholme who saw her early in the month when a man found a chocolate Labrador on the road near to the pub and took her inside to see if she belonged to anyone there. We are appealing for this man to come forward with news of Amber's whereabouts. Did he leave her in a pound or has he kept her as a family pet? More importantly did he release her as none of the local pounds will accept dogs brought in by the general public. The chap in question left his number with the landlord, which has unfortunately been lost. He was not recognized by any of the locals that evening so it's possible he could be from further afield. Please help find this man as he could have picked up Amber!

As you can imagine, I am frantically trying to trace her movements. If sighted she will be very frightened, timid and will avoid all human contact at all cost. Please leave food for her if seen as she will be ravenous.

All help from local people is so very much appreciated. I hope someone will have good news for me as I long to be reunited with my girl. Please help find Amber. It is very hard trying to find her as I live near Birmingham!

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Come along for a couple of rehearsals at the Institute, New Road, Kirkby Lonsdale on Thursdays at 7.30pm and find out about us at first hand with no obligation. The first rehearsal for 2008-2009 is on Thursday 11 September. There exists a great camaraderie amongst our members who come in from an area covering Ingleton to Kendal and Silverdale to Sedbergh (so many of us car-share.)

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The Vicar Writes...

Should Christians evangelise Muslims?

The recent claim by Michael Nazir-Ali, Bishop of Rochester, that the Church is failing in its duty to evangelise Muslims provoked strong criticism, both from inside and outside the church. According to the bishop's critics, proclaiming the Christian message (evangelism) to people of other faiths is an inappropriate thing to do in our pluralistic society. But the Bible backs the bishop up.

Christians should be indiscriminate in their evangelism because of who Jesus Christ is. He is Lord of all. Colossians 1:15-20 highlights His unique supremacy in the following areas:

Creation: Jesus is the source, purpose and goal of creation. "For by him all things were created all things were created by him and for him." (vv15-16)

Revelation: Jesus alone reveals God to us. He is "the image of the invisible God" and "God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him." (vv15,19) When it comes to questions about who God is and what He's like, Jesus is God's final and complete word on the matter.

Salvation: Jesus came to reconcile rebellious humanity to God by taking the just punishment for our sins on the cross (v20). He is not one Saviour among many or

even among a few. "Salvation is found in no-one else" (Acts 4:12). He is the only Saviour.

Resurrection: Only Jesus has conquered death. His resurrection proves that "in everything he has the supremacy" (v18). Jesus says to his followers, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations." (Matthew 28:18-19).

Proclaiming Christ to all is the right response to his supreme authority. To deny anyone (including Muslims) the opportunity to hear the good news of Jesus and respond in repentance and faith is, according to the Bible, the worst form of discrimination.

The Bishop of Rochester's call for Christians in the UK to share Christ with their Muslim neighbours was faithful to Jesus and loving towards Muslims.



Paul

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At a recent meeting of the Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum held at Arnside, Rob Kitchen, Waste Development Manager for South Lakeland District Council, explained that Cumbria Strategic Waste Partnership is made up of the six District Councils and Cumbria County Council. The Partnership has a strategy for the next twenty-five years to reduce and prevent waste. As such, it hopes to reduce waste by 1% p.a. throughout the county. One suggested is that the county might choose the 'comingle' route where all recyclables are put into one bin and what the county would need to deal with this, ie. 2 new waste treatment plants, one in the north and one in the south of the county. Kendal Fell may remain as a transfer station.

From a district perspective, kerbside recycling is now operational throughout South Lakeland. Within South Lakeland, waste to landfill has reduced from 49,000 tonnes in 2003 to 28,000 tonnes last year. Kerbside collection participation is now at about 85% in South Lakeland.

Waste minimisation and recycling are one part of a bigger picture – climate change, anti social behaviour etc. but at local level dog fouling continues to be a major issue. Milnthorpe Parish Council has an additional bylaw from the end of June which makes it a criminal offence to allow a dog to foul on the playing field and other areas, and the dog warden and PCSO's

will have the authority to impose 'on the spot' fines. The expertise gained by Milnthorpe Parish Council in setting up this bylaw is available to other Parish Councils in the area.

Kerbside plastic collections are not viable in rural areas and, consequently, will not be implemented anywhere in the district. Re micro chipped bins - there are no plans or facilities to weigh bins in the District. Asked why lids are left in blue boxes after emptying rather than being put back on, Rob explained it was simply to prevent them blowing away in inclement weather. The cost of waste collection has gone down from £74 per household to £55 annually.

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Thank you so much to everyone for the welcome visits, lovely cards and kind wishes during my recent incapacity.

Special thanks to my "carer" Val and my "big sis" Barb for all their attention.

My sincere appreciation to Gill and Akis for their thoughtfulness and patience. Thank you also to Veronica and Tracie for their support (no pun intended) over the last few weeks.

Finally my love and heartfelt thanks to Charlie for all his care and uncomplaining attention and for doing the ironing!

Jan Ashbrook



Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee

At the recent meeting of the Hall Management Committee, it was decided that meetings should be bi-monthly rather than quarterly as before. Would all Hall user groups please note that the next meeting of the Management Committee will be Thursday 4 September, at 7.30pm, and all user groups are encouraged to have their representatives attend.

The Hall's annual fund-raising event, the Autumn Fair/ Coffee Morning will take place on Saturday 11 October, from 10am - 12 noon. All user groups are asked to have a stall or run a game or activity to raise funds. Donations for stalls and raffle prizes are also very welcome.

The Management Committee would also like suggestions for new fund-raising ideas or offers of help to help pay the massive increase in running costs the Hall is currently facing.

Finally, if anyone has, lurking in their cupboards, lofts or cellars, any historical or archive material relating to the Hall would they please contact either Helen Dawson, the Hall secretary/manager (782277), or Kath Hayhurst, archivist for the Holme & District Local History Society (781613).



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'The Bryson Boys'

Saturday 23 August

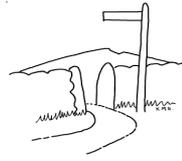
Quiz Night
Quiz Master Colin Mason
£1 per person Max. Four to a Team

Sun 7 Sept.

AGM

Would All Members' Please Try to Attend
Start 8.30 p.m.

EVERYONE WELCOME



BURTON FELLWALKING SOCIETY

August Walks

Sunday 3 August 1pm Aughton

Leader: Gary Crayston, 782857

Saturday 16 August 9.30am Brotherswater

Leader: Celia Hunt, 417646

Wednesday 27 August 6.30pm Roeburndale *

Leader: Graham Titchmarsh, 735961

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



Holme & District Local History Society

Swarthmoor Hall Visit

meet at Swarthmoor Hall at 2pm

Monday 18 August

Members Only

Burton Ladies Rounders August Fixtures

Tuesday 5 August away Bentham

Wednesday 13 August away Clapham (Austwick)

*All home & practice sessions on the BM School field
Away games lifts are shared - meet at the school at 7pm*

*All ladies of all abilities welcome, for further information
please contact Louise on 0791 2750340*

The Wildlife Trusts Cumbria Bracken, Cattle and Rare Beauties

Come along to Hutton Roof Crags Nature Reserve
for a guided walk to see the fantastic flora,
unique limestone landforms, rare and beautiful butterflies
and the hardy hairy beasties that help to keep this
internationally important reserve the very
special place that it is.

Burton Fell & Lancelot Clark Storth
Meet at the entrance to the field off Clawthorpe
Lane (grid ref: SD 543 783)

Sunday 24 August
2pm - 5pm - approx 3 miles

Suggested donation - adult £2, child £1

Enquiries: 01524 781145

Burton News Website: www.burtonnews.org.uk

Read Us Online! See the photos in colour!

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

Mobile Banking Service

Memorial Hall Car Park

Fridays 10.45am-11.30am

Cancer Care Cafe

Last Friday of every month

at Slynedales, Slyne Rd, Lancaster
(just over Beaumont Bridge)

Open for Tea and Coffee

10.00 am - 12 noon

Free Parking

Everybody Welcome!

Further details from 01524 381820

Library Coffee Morning

Burton Memorial Hall

First Monday of every Month

Come and Join Us!

Circuit Training

Every Monday at 7.15 pm

BMH Main Hall

Every Friday at 6.15 pm

BMH Reception Room

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

For further info call John 01524 781707



LMMES

Cinderbarrow



Welcome to the miniature railway at
Cinderbarrow Picnic Area

Trains will run 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

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www.burtonweb.org.uk

Your Virtual Community
Info ~ Chat ~ Events ~ Photos
Groups Websites

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HERE FOR FREE!**

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WE TELL BURTON**

DEAL?

*You need
never be bored
in Burton!*

Editorial...



Tick... tick... tick...

The steady march of time, or the pulse of the geiger counter? Both of them are becoming steadily louder as the UK's main quest for energy turns more to the nuclear 'quick fix' and focuses on this part of the country. No disputing the fact that something has to be done but the thorny subject of nuclear waste is seemingly always swept under the carpet - or our Cumbrian hills, as it's been proposed as a dumping ground for this very long-lived rubbish. Do we want it here as our generation's legacy to the future? Do we know enough about the long term movements of the ground below us to really be sure that solid granite is as solid as we assume? Geologically speaking, humans have been around for a blink of the eye so there's no point taking the 'unchanging hills' as a reference point - after all, a lot of them used to be sea beds! The debate on this has barely started ticking - expect it to be a heated one and if you are concerned then make your views known!

Round and round it goes.

In a similar vein, those 'pesky windmills' are also making the news with plans for massive wind farms on shore even though it's been proved over and over that offshore ones are far more efficient - if more costly to build. Of course these have to be put where it's windy, and what better place than on top of a hill or two? Some loathe the sight of these wind turbines whilst others find they add something to the view with their stately rotating arms. One thing for sure, most have an opinion one way or the other and would a massive proliferation turn the overall view more to the negative rather than positive argument? Big question - are we prepared to 'turn off' enough, or switch to more efficient uses of energy, to halt the demand for ever more of the stuff? Given the rising costs maybe we should!

Happy holiday!

From the lack of events we've been notified of we can only assume you are all away from Burton this month. Hope you have a happy holiday and we'll see you back in September with the the Autumnal happenings in the village.

AN & BJM



Advertising rates for both *Swap Shop* or *For Sale* is £1 per month per 3 lines (must incl. a phone number). Copy of advert & payment should be put into a sealed envelope marked *BN Sales & Swaps* and left at the newsagents or sent to our PO Box address (see back page). Cheques payable to *Burton News* please.

BN on Tape!



A reminder that *Burton News* can be obtained on audio tape for those with a visual impairment.

Please contact Judith Ellis on 781057 for further details.

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Is your group or society organising an event or activity in Burton?
If so, tell us about it, and we'll advertise it for you for free!
See back page for how to contact us.

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If you know of anyone who may like to receive *BN* regularly each month, why not buy them an Annual Gift Subscription?

For £10 within the UK or £20 overseas they will receive a copy of *BN* each month (11 copies per year). A great way for family, friends and former residents to keep in touch with what's happening here in Burton. Anyone interested should contact *BN* at the address on the back page.

CHIROPODIST HOME VISITS

Ian McCutcheon
MSSCh, Dip. Pod. Med., MBChA

Tel. Burton 781383

COMMUNITY INFO



SLDC Recycling Information

Andy Vickers

Customer Contact Centre

on 0845 050 4434

email: recycling@southlakeland.gov.uk

Community Transport South Lakeland

If you need transport to hospital, doctor, dentist, optician, etc., please contact Mrs. Lynn Herd 01524 781905. If you could spare some time as a volunteer driver you would be most welcome.

Enquiries to above or 01539 742637

SURGERY TIMES

Dr JH Gorrigan

Monday 8.30am - 10.30am @ BMH

By appointment only. To make appointments please telephone 015395 63553

Child Health Clinic

1st Wednesday of each month

10.00 -11.00 am

No appointment necessary

Health Visitor: Shirley Bennett 015395 64887

Cumbria County Council Highways Hotline

0845 609 6609

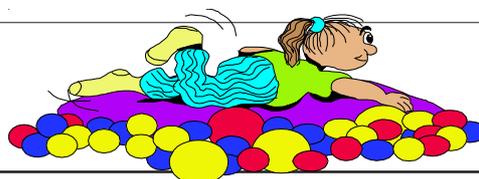
to report road or pavement problems

Useful Phone Numbers

Burton News Editors	01524 781306
Burton Post Office	01524 781828
Burton Morewood School	01524 781627
Dallam School	015395 63224
QES, Kirkby Lonsdale	015242 71275
CrimeStoppers	0800 555 111
Police non-emergency	0845 33 00 247
Kendal Library	01539 773520
Kendal Hospital	01539 732288
Lancaster Hospital	01524 65944

Council Switchboards

Cumbria County Council	01539 773000
SLDC	01539 733333



NSPCC Child Protection

HELPLINE 0808 800 5000

KIDSCAPE 08451 205 204

CHILDLINE

FREEPHONE 0800 1111

Civil Registration Services **Births, Marriages, Deaths**

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

Registrations may also be undertaken at Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale Libraries by appointment only, contact the Kendal Office to arrange an appointment.

To arrange a marriage contact the Kendal Registrar.

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. On the website parishioners may find **contact details** for the Clerk & Councillors, and access the **archive** of PC agendas, minutes, reports & newsletters.

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



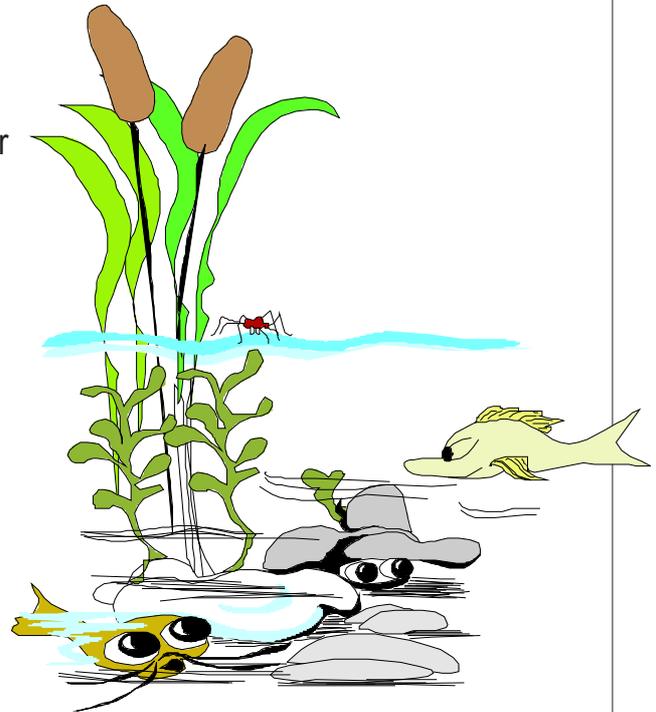
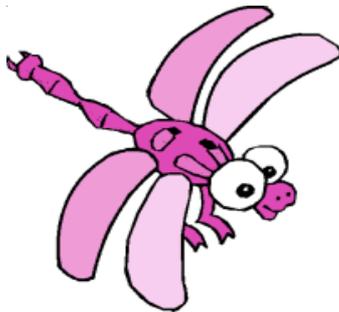
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT
THE CLERK - Charles Dale
01524 781145

What's On?

See pages 24/25 for more Events Meetings and Activities

ADVANCE DIARY DATES

- Bracken, Cattle and Rare Beauties**, wildlife walk, Sunday 24 August, 2-5pm
BMH Management Committee Meeting, BMH - Thursday 4 September, 7.30pm
Burton 10K & Fun Run - Sunday 14 September (see page 9 for full details)
Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum, Brigsteer Village Hall - Tuesday 16 September, 7.30pm
MacMillan Big Coffee Morning, Friday 26 September (details from Susan Williamson)
Onion Show, Kings Arms - Sunday October 5 (details in Sept BN)
Stamp Fair, BMH - Sunday 5 October, 10am - 4pm
Burton Memorial Hall Autumn Fair, BMH - Saturday 11 October 10am - 12 noon
Pre-School Hallowe'en Party, BMH - Sunday 26 October
BADS Autumn Play, BMH - Fri 21 & Sat 22 November (NOTE CORRECTED DATES!)
Sports Committee Bingo, BMH - Thurs 27 November
Memorial Hall Bingo, BMH - Thurs 4 December
Church Christmas Coffee Morning, BMH - Sat 6 December
Pre-School Bingo, BMH - Fri 12 December
Pre-School Coffee Morning, BMH - Sat 13 December
Bowling Club Bingo, BMH - Fri 19 December



BMH = Burton Memorial Hall

KEEP US IN THE NEWS!

If you are planning an event why not let us know asap and we'll add it to the running events list which we hope to include every month. This helps give your event more publicity and flags up potential clashes of dates for events. Let Burton News help you!

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LAST DATE FOR COPY FOR NEXT ISSUE
20 August for September issue

Next Meeting (open to all readers)
Monday 11 August 6pm in BMH