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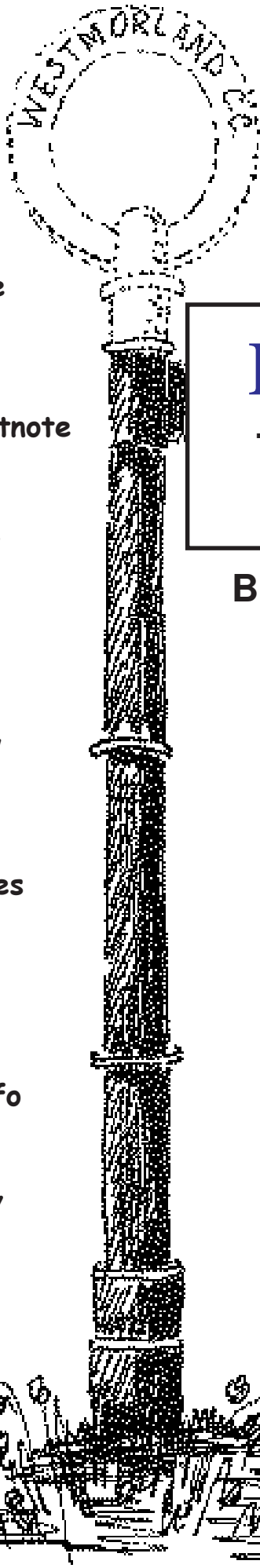
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March 2012 Issue 212

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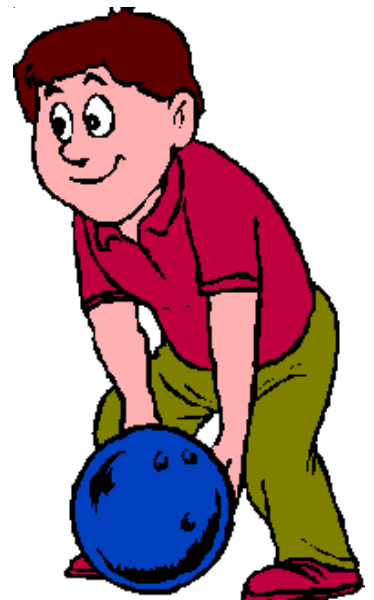
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Readers' LETTERS



Dear BN,

February Parish Council

What a refreshing meeting it was. Full marks to the Chair, Clerk and Members for the way in which they welcomed the public, went out of their way to ensure that they were heard (as permitted, of course), and handed out helpful information so that they could follow the 'cut and thrust' of the discussion.

Not quite as good as EastEnders, but on a scale of 1 to 10, I'll give it 9!

Really, more people should go along. Parish Councils often receive a bad press - all talk, very remote and no action. Not so in Burton.

Vic Brown, Holme

THANK YOU!

Walnut Tree Cottage Vicarage Lane Burton

Louis & Pat Duffy would like to express their most sincere thanks to our First Responders for their speedy arrival, help, support and kindness during my heart problem in November. You are indeed a wonderful team. Thanks so much.

There still may be more surgery but feeling stronger by the day. Thanks also to the Paramedics for their prompt action and to Blackpool Victoria Hospital.

Please would readers note that letters 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.

In Memoriam

Mrs Elsie Bishop, formerly of Morewood Drive, Burton.

Elsie was a neighbour and friend of Ken and Iris Drinkwater, and became involved with the Memorial Hall through them. Although she was a very self-effacing person, she was a great help during her friends' efforts for the Hall. She used to attend all the rehearsals and pantomimes, usually helping with the refreshments and other back-up work for BADS. She enjoyed walking round our country lanes, and attended the coffee mornings, always cheerful and reliable in her support for Hall events.

Her last years were spent in a care home at Arnside, following amputation of both legs. She died in May 2011, aged 95 years. The Burton Memorial Hall management committee is very grateful for the £1,000 she bequeathed the Hall in her Will, and she is fondly remembered by all who knew her.

K.H. & friends who knew her

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In Memoriam

Kathleen Mary Procter
24.6.1920 – 9.1.2012

Kathleen (Kath) Procter retired to Burton with her husband Tom about 25 years ago. She was a local lass, having lived around the area all her life. Those of us who were lucky enough to know her well will miss her as a warm and generous friend, with a practical, caring nature.

A devoted (and tolerant) churchgoer, she supported church functions, ever ready to bake, or man stalls, or fill whatever need arose. She attended both Holme and Burton church services, and for some years was a member of Holme Parochial Church Council. But she also supported and took part in many other events, being a founder member of Holme W.I.

Her interests were wide – in her younger days she was a good runner, and at Holme Sports she was always odds-on to win, till, at the age of 31, she lost, and decided that would be her last race!

With her husband she went to local dances – she loved dancing, not only ballroom, but Scottish and sequence dancing too.

A devoted and caring mother – and well-cared-for by her family – she kept her independence to the last, living, and finally dying, in her own home where for years she had been a keen gardener, generously, as ever, sharing her soft fruit, tomatoes and cucumbers.

Her life story (kindly sent to BN by her daughter) is a significant record of a girl born in the area where she spent her whole life: born in Millhead, she was the only daughter of Alec and Margaret Wildman, and attended Warton school. On leaving, she worked at Morphey's Textile mill at Carnforth as a pattern cutter (she became a good dressmaker, making the family clothes.)

She met Tom, a railway worker, at a Co-op Hall dance. They married and had three children: Conrad, Kathleen and Gwen. Gwen recalls that Kath was a great cook. In fact cooking was one of her great interests – she attended cookery courses at Newton Riggs College, Penrith, in the 60's.

When living in Holme, Kath worked at Holme Mill as a carpet welder. When the mill closed, she took up what was probably her favourite job, working in Holme Village Store. On the death of Tom, Kath took up driving again at a late age, and was still driving at the age of 91.

She was courageous – even though her back was so painful, she managed a session of indoor bowls a few weeks before her death. She was a keen and popular member - playing both indoor and crown green bowling. Many members will remember her with fondness, as I do myself.

A.C.



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Outdoors

At this time of year we look around keenly, hungrily even, for signs of the change we've been longing for since the time of mud and long nights closed over us in the autumn. On January 13 three daffodils were blooming on the side of the Clawthorpe road. By early February snowdrops were well up, pushing their hardened leaf-tips through wintry soil, then struggling to open their white bells as Russian weather came in from the east. Blackbirds male and female began to dart at each other in provocative jabs and flurries. A collared dove has piped up once or twice.

When the frost gripped at the start of February, the woods sank back into themselves. In the nature reserve near Holme Park Quarry, whins are flowering in their extraordinary winter way, giving out a faint odour of almond, reminding me of the bushes, where yellowhammers nested, on the sandy links north of Aberdeen where I golfed as a youth. Apart from them, the only colour of new growth in the reserve has been the lurid orange of slime mould on the trunks of whins that have reached their term and died standing up.

With the frost came skies of thick overcast and it began to seem that time had stopped. 'The stubborn season has made stand' - a line written seventy-five years ago by the fine Anglo-American poet T.S. Eliot. In the north, when the high fells came into sight at last, they were pale-grey beached whales, whitened with snow above 1,000 feet, as though the glacier had only just retreated and might well spread over again. We know that in another three weeks spring will have sprung and will

happen all too fast - magnolia and flowering cherry bursting into blossom, swallows and swifts curving through the air, evenings still bright at 9 o'clock. Then we'll be wanting to slow it all down and make it last and last.

So the best times happen too quickly and the bleak times go on and on. The forests are a mass of drab browns and greys, and when you look between their trunks, in Dalton forest or around Silverdale, it is as though silence has become visible - shadows between the boles, twilight down amongst mossed boulders and dead branches. If only a roedeer would sprint across a gap, or a woodpecker would hammer somewhere out of sight.... No, it's still; not even a breeze to make a hoarse surf-noise from the canopy overhead. All there is to be said for such elemental stagnancy is that without it we might not be so delighted by the primroses when they come, or by the skimming swallows and yellow or crimson butterflies, which will all appear with their wonderful certainty on the far side of the spring equinox.

David Craig

Jubilee Bonfires

Memories from a Burton Resident

Correction to Feb 2012

Page 10: Jubilee bonfires, the headmaster was Mr Smart not Mr Smith

Thanks to Kath Hayhurst for pointing out the error.

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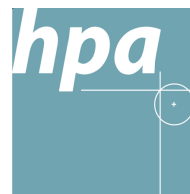
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THANK YOU!

Kathleen Procter

Kathleen, Gwen, David and Bryan would like to thank everyone for their cards and messages of sympathy on the sad loss of Mum. We will miss her, and so will many other people. Donations at her funeral raised £425 for Cancer Research UK. Thank you all for your generosity.

Burton Pre School New to You Sale Saturday 10 March 10am - 12noon

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An **ALTERNATIVE** *Opinion...*

Commenting on the goings-on at the Parish Council meetings

It took a few minutes to sink in - somehow the old place was looking less, well, dowdy, or should I say neutral - whitish walls, greyish floors, stacks of blackish chairs, the yellowish kitchen area beyond the counter to the right. Of course - that's what it is - a big bright banner has been pinned up on the wall behind the Chairman: five feet by three feet, scarlet and white horizontal stripes, and a yellow heraldic *Thing* in the middle of it, like a coat-stand with a pineapple on the end of each peg. It made our Chairman, with his head backed by this splendid apparition, look like Mao Tse-tung in some spectacular display in the heyday of the Chinese People's Republic. It turned out to be the Westmorland flag. The yellow emblem is an apple tree, 'fructed and eradicated, or', i.e. fruit-bearing and uprooted, in gold' - the crest of the Barony of Appleby, which with the Barony of Kendal made up the old county in pre-'Cumbria' days. Each parish council has been given one. Alt.O. was quite sad when the banner was taken down at the end of the meeting. Perhaps it should fly from the church flagpole beneath the St George's Cross?

The Development Plan, and the land allocations it would allow for, were so much the meatiest items on the Agenda that they were taken first and occupied

much of the meeting. The map was scrutinised yet again, with its areas marked in red for housing, purple for employment, khaki for mixed use, and green for open space. A villager gave a considered speech arguing that the number of houses allowed for by 2025 (146) was too high. The school was full already, there is not enough employment here, and our streets couldn't cope with the extra traffic. In particular, if the field above and east of Church Bank were built up, there would be no pavements safe for pedestrians, and the Panorama at the start of Slape Lane (which Alt.O. sees as one of the finest things in Burton) would become useless. Noises and some words of approval greeted these remarks. One Cllr pointed out that the Development Plan is not a proposal to build twenty houses here and another twenty plus a workshop somewhere else - it is a framework, a sort of notional maximum, to guide applications and decisions during the next decade or so. Or quite possibly less than a decade, since the years between now and 2025 are rapidly becoming history. The Chairman said in his weariest voice that it had "all being going for eight years already." The Clerk pointed out that the Plan's description of Burton was out of date, since (for example) it doesn't even mention the two local employment schemes, Clawthorpe Hall and Dalton Hall. That kind of shortcoming does make one wonder yet again what the Suits-in-Offices actually do, since it's quite unjust to suppose that they spend their time shuffling papers from one desk to another with the addition of the occasional comma or 'Insofar as' or 'Detailed mitigation strategy.'

Some useful points were made. Access to the proposed

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Green Dragon site should be from Tarn Lane only, to avoid jamming up Main Street. If this site were ever to accommodate the imagined 92 new houses, it would need a play area at least as big as the one at Boon Town. And so on. One PCllr said that 92 was far too many. Another said, "It's only an estimate, not a proposal." The first Cllr said, "They proposed a number. Just because it's so far ahead doesn't mean we shouldn't investigate it." So the worries and suggestions, the concerns and doubt went on bubbling and no doubt will go on doing so while the Plan undergoes its final bout of consultation before it goes for Independent Examination, while the globe slowly warms up and the Middle East rather less slowly lurches towards war.

Item 9 - Risk Assessment, Banking and Internal Audit gave rise to a joke from the funniest Cllr: "We should probably keep some money with the Bank of Ireland - out of charity." A cheque for £1227.60 was presented to the council by Mrs Curwen, as a trustee of the late Bob Mason's estate, to pay for the refurbishing of the War Memorial. The Market Cross refurbishment is complete and Mr Waller is to be thanked for replacing the capping stone at no cost.

People worried once again about the speed of vehicles through the village, especially in front of the school, and it is time we had another shot of SID (the Speed Indicator Device) - although Alt.O. agrees with the widespread opinion that for so narrow and subtly winding a road as Main Street, only a 20 m.p.h. limit would do any good. Or perhaps we should have an Occupation to demonstrate our view? Volunteers,

please, to lie down for an hour in the roadway between Mowbray Drive and the Memorial Hall, with suitable warning signs, of course, and flask of hot coffee from the King's Arms.

D.C.



BAND NIGHT

I would like to thank Pascale Ainsworth, John and Natalie for doing a great job organising the Band Night.

There were over 120 high school children entertained by 6 talented young groups, for 3 hours on Saturday 25 February. The bands were all young singers and musicians who performed a wide range of music a lot of stuff written themselves.

First up was Claire Hanson, followed by Burton's very own *A second to soon*, then *Annie Spedding*, *Skarred i d*, *Brendan Cleary* and last up was *Idle Minds*.

The night rocked and the kids had a great time, actually so did the supervisors.

Looking forward to the next one!

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M.R.

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Historical Footnote by Roger Bingham

CHURCH TROUBLES

2012 marks the 350th anniversary of the publication of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer which, despite the introduction of newer liturgies, still forms part of the official worship of the Church of England. The 1662 Prayer Book demonstrated the return of 'normal times' following the Restoration, in 1660, of Charles II after the upheavals during the Civil War and the experiment of extreme protestant rule, firstly by the Presbyterian covenanters and then by the Puritans under Oliver Cromwell. Earlier, Burton's vicar Henry Johnson, who was appointed in 1622, had attempted to swim with the changeable religious tides by switching his support from the pro-Anglican Royalists to their parliamentary opponents. Thus, in 1646, Parliament was informed that Henry Johnson 'minister of Burton who hath formerly complied with ye enemy hath since taken the covenant.' At the same time local Roman Catholics were being persecuted and £50 was 'sequestered from Sir John Preston papist for the increase of maintenance of the minister at Burton in Kendal.' But in 1653 Rev Johnson was sacked and sent to prison when he was accused of embezzling £126 from the funds of the school. He had also made his uniquely(?) named son Pascatious the schoolmaster though he was 'never fitt for that ymployment having never been att or fitt for a university.' Johnson was eventually replaced by Gerard Browne from 1657-64. The Burton Parish Registers record the christenings of 'Elizabeth ye daughter of Mr Gerard Browne Minister' in 1657 and of another girl Bridget in 1660. The deaths of the vicar's son Gerard

were inscribed in 1661 and his wife Frances in 1662. It is unclear whether Mr Browne died or was 'ejected' but he was replaced by John Ormrod who stayed until his death in 1691. The following year a Toleration Act was implemented which allowed freedom of worship to 'non-conformists' or 'dissenters' from the Church of England. This followed the accession of William III and Mary II during the Glorious Revolution in 1688.

In Burton, however, two 'non-conformists' wanted to worship inside the parish church and not just in their own homes or meeting houses. In 1694, the Quarter Session Court recorded that John Dawson and Isaac Pennington, yeomen, did 'enter into the Parish Church of Burton and voluntarily and wilfully maliciously and contemptuously did molest & disturb the vicar John Underwood to the great disturbance of the congregation against the peace of our Sovereigne (sic) Lord and Lady William & Mary.' When they refused to pay a £20 fine (about £10,000 in modern money) they were sent to 'their maties Gaole' at Appleby.' It was over a year later before an order was issued 'to sett at liberty the bodies of John Dawson & Isaac Pennington.' Queen Mary had died in December 1694 so the warrant granted by the Lord Chancellor the Earl of Shrewsbury was in the name of 'His majestie' - William III. Meanwhile the Rev Underwood had been replaced as vicar by Thomas Barbon, who had fought in the Battle of the Boyne of 1692 where Protestant William had defeated the Catholic James II. He stayed at Burton until 1722 when he transferred to Cockerham where he was able to appoint his son Robert to be the minister of a parish chapel at Shireshead, which is up in the Bowland Fells east of the M6 at Scorton. Apparently the tiny church had been 'in the hands of the dissenters'



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since the 1650s - so the appointment marked a comeback for the Church of England. But as Robert had been baptized at Burton in 1703 he could have barely reached the minimum age of 21 when his father made him a minister. Consequently, the arrival of the Reverend youth from Burton might have caused more trouble in the church.

Help elect a Mayor of Tewitfield and enjoy a Race Night



There will be a Mayor Making ceremony for the Township and Pubship of Tewitfield and a Race Night in aid of NW Air Ambulance and Burton Bowling Club, on Friday 30 March at the Longlands Hotel, Tewitfield.

This should be a fun night out to see the new Mayor installed. Presently the candidates include 2 or 3 local characters, a dog and a donkey. A list of the candidates will shortly be on display in the Longlands and the election night will be in the week commencing 11 March.

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Reports of door to door callers were received along with some suspicious person reports. Please continue to report such incidents to us on 101. Suspicious vehicles have also been reported in the area, again we ask that these continue.

We have received reports of scam phone calls in this area, please get in touch should you wish to discuss crime prevention advice and we will happily come and see you. The people making these calls can be very manipulative, don't be afraid to say NO!

Cold callers have been reported again in the area as a whole, we remind members of the community to be vigilant and report any suspicious incidents/people/vehicles to Police on 101 or to Trading Standards.

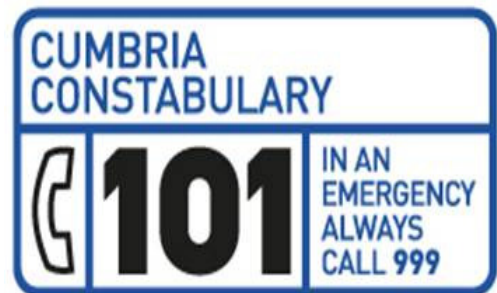
Pro active reporting of suspicious vehicles/persons from members of the community has assisted us with a lot of enquiries, we thank you for this and ask that you continue to do this by ringing Cumbria Police on the non-emergency number 101 (any time day or night). In an emergency always dial 999. Remember

you live in a safe area, it is important we work together to keep it that way.

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Roger Reports...

from the district & county councils

First the county council tax. At the budget council on 16 February it was decided not to put up the tax this year. Although SLDC's budget meeting is after BN's deadline I understand that the district council will also have a nil rise. But the police rate has gone up so we won't be paying the same as last year, I'll say more next month. Also I believe (that despite alarmist reports) that Waste Recycling Centres will not be closed though there may be a reduction in opening hours.

In January we had the most contentious district councils that I can remember in my 28 years on SLDC. On 18 January we debated the Local Development Framework (LDF). 200 people attended and most of the public speakers were opposed to specific developments near their homes. Member numbers were down as, I think, 12 councillors were absent. Even so a majority approved the LDF. The arguments were well-balanced between those who believed that without an LDF there might be a free for all for developers, and those who are worried about whether our physical infrastructure like roads and sewerage, and social facilities like health and financial/commercial services, could sustain the development especially in villages which have already expanded. It was also contended

that the needs of the whole district are not being addressed, as the LDF applies only to the smaller part of the district outside the national parks, which means that the area in between the parks has to take the strain of development. Yet, places in the Lake District National Park, like Windermere, and in the Yorkshire Dales, like Sedbergh, also need affordable homes and employment sites. In all, 146 dwellings are proposed for Burton, and 132 for Holme. The main development sites in Burton are 31 dwellings behind Church Bank and Vicarage Lane, 23 dwellings north of Boon Town and 92 dwellings and employment units at Green Dragon off Tarn Lane. But it is YOUR VIEWS which are wanted by the Secretary of State, who will determine the LDF (after a public inquiry) in about July 2013 - i.e. after over five years of consultation. PLEASE contact (between 28 February and 4 April) SLDC Development Team, South Lakeland House, Lowther St., Kendal, LA9 4UD.

A fierce debate occurred on 24 January, over increased parking charges. The main opposition was to new night-time charges, in the debate Brian Cooper said that, although he was a 'black belt', he would not like to check parking tickets at midnight near some of our clubs and pubs! But, eventually, the need for income to support the budget won the day and parking charges will go up.

Finally SAFETY FIRST. On 17 February the county's Highway Committee, on which I serve, agreed to provide a part-time advisory 20 m.p.h. speed limit sign for Main St outside Morewood School - and we are at the top of the list! The sign will only be advisory, but evidence from elsewhere suggests that the signs

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should be effective. Also I have cleared that the 'Children at Play' signs for St James' Drive and Boon Town should be here soon, and that work on Slape Lane will start when the weather is drier. But when will that be?

All the best,

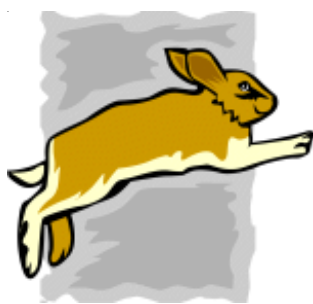
Roger

In Memoriam

Ernest John Phillips 1928 - 2011

We were saddened to hear of the death of former county councillor, John Phillips, who represented Burton prior to Cllr Roger Bingham, and who was a regular attendee at Burton Parish Council meetings.

John, of Preston Patrick, died on December 30 at the age of 83. He served as a parish councillor for Preston Patrick before becoming a county councillor for four years. The seat on the Lancelot Clark Storth nature reserve is dedicated to John's mother - B.A.P. 1892 - 1986 - Bertha Annie Phillips.



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W.I. NEWS

We had to cancel our February meeting due to the icy weather. We should have celebrated our 80th birthday. Our next meeting is Thursday 8 March at 7.30pm.

We will cut our cake at the March meeting, when we have an illustrated talk by David Marsden on wildlife.

A reminder about another event in March. There will be an evening with Julia Hawthorne on Monday 12 March, at 7.30pm in Burton Memorial Hall. Julia will talk about 21st century women in slavery. Tickets are £8 to include wine and nibbles. Please contact Pauline Walton on 01524 782991 for further information.

Visitors and new members welcome to both these events. Contact Helen Nixon on 781048.

The Burton Memorial Hall Looking Back & Forward

Further to our article in the Feb 2012 issue of BN (page 17), pondering the location of the early Autumn Fairs, Kath Hayhurst writes to tell us that those held in Burton, prior to the building of the Memorial Hall, would probably have taken place in the National School (now divided into 2 houses) behind Church Bank. Kath says that all the village events, i.e. whist drives, plays, concerts, dances, etc., were held there before the Memorial Hall was built. Sincere thanks to Kath for answering our question.

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A tale of two ciggy's

The continuing story of Keith Holland's army service

As we moved away from Cairo in the long convoy of army trucks loaded to capacity, we had much time to reflect on the last year or two of our lives in Kasr-El-Nil barracks. I had been given the job of post corporal for the headquarters when 'Jock', the previous post corporal, had left for demobilization. My four pals too had been given important jobs in the various branches, and it had been such a pleasant change from the strict army routine we had been used to during our training days.

It had been pointed out on our arrival that if we had to salute each other every time we met we would all be walking around with our arms in a sling, which made sense as the place was full of officers, so life was on a more informal basis. Guard duties, too, were non-existent as the garrison police were on duty all the time. Our office hours during the hot summer months started at 7am to 12 noon, then 5pm until 7pm in the evenings, with afternoons free time. We would spend many afternoons in the open air swimming pool at Giza, where we could gaze up at the pyramids. We had been very fortunate to experience these luxuries, as we all knew, but now it had come to an end and we didn't know what the future held for us.

Moving along at convoy speed on a hot day was very tiring, we had worked all night without sleep, and many vehicles had run off the road or bumped into the vehicles in front when the drivers had dozed off, so we were thankful for a stop every hour for coffee or cool drinks. We travelled along with the Suez Canal on our



right and the Sweetwater Canal on our left. Our destination was Moascar, where we would hand over our vehicles and contents and then be sent to different locations according to the regiments we belonged to.

Although vehicles had been plentiful, there had been a shortage of drivers, so my pals and I had been given various types to drive, mine happened to be a Jeep; and it was loaded with three sacks of mail that I hadn't had time to take to the base post office, my own personal gear, a large post office clock and a Gestetner duplicator. I was also responsible for printing out the area orders and many other branch orders so I had quite a large stock of paper to dispose of.

The sergeant major had said we couldn't take it with us, we hadn't to leave it, and we mustn't burn it, so I had the problem of getting rid of it somehow. It must have been around two o'clock in the morning when I decided to contact a friend in the motor transport section, another corporal we called 'Lofty', and he said he knew the very place where we could take it. So after we had loaded his fifteen hundredweight truck with half of the packages of printing paper, we set off through the main gates (into what is now part of Tahrir Square) then over Kasr-El-Nil Bridge, onto Gezira Island, where Lofty turned off the road and down to the edge of the Nile.

It didn't take long to unload the packages in the water where Lofty said it would sink to the river bed and slowly disperse. We returned to the barracks for the rest of the paper, cleared the office out then returned with the final load, job done! We got back onto the road and as


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we turned onto the bridge, two policemen in white uniforms and red fezzes suddenly appeared. I think they were just as startled as we were, but we didn't wait for them to stop us as they had guns strapped over their shoulders, had they done so things may have turned out differently.

Back in the post office everything was now clear, so after a very early breakfast, every vehicle was beginning to line up, or I should say 'coil up' like two giant clock springs, in both of the barrack squares ready for the time to move. It was during this time that two of my pals came over to my Jeep and said, "Come and see what's happened." I could see that they appeared a little agitated and went with them to the open side of the barrack square overlooking the river Nile. I could hardly believe what I was seeing: the brown paper wrapping must have opened up and released all the white printing paper, which was now floating on top, covering half the width of the river all the way down to the next bridge, at first glance it resembled an ice flow.

We looked at each other in awe, thinking in terms of a court martial for polluting the river Nile, but a few voices behind us put our minds at ease with, "Don't look so worried lads it's only paper, it'll soon be gone," which made us feel a little easier, but it was almost time to move out, and promptly at 9am the order was given.

All these thoughts about our departure kept going through my mind as we travelled along to our destination, then when we did arrive in the late afternoon, the sergeant major gave us our new postings and thanked us for our services back in the

headquarters over the last two years. With a smile he said, "I see you managed to get rid of the paper, lads, but I always thought the White Nile was much further south!" Our new posting was to the 8th Royal Tank Regiment at Shandur, on the side of the bitter lakes, and we just hoped that our next sergeant major would have a similar sense of humour.

To be continued next month...

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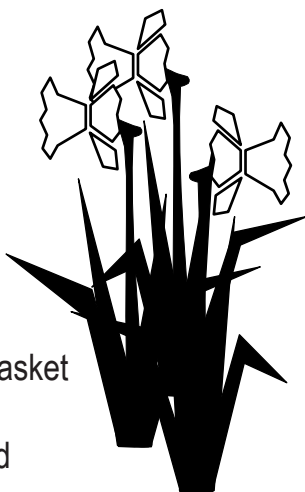
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The Vicar Writes...

Just a good man?

One of the most common views on Jesus Christ was that he was just a great teacher who left lots of wise sayings that we use and remember today. Is this an option when it comes to working out who this man Jesus is? The best place to start is with Jesus and what he said about himself.

On one occasion, in a conversation with some religious leaders, Jesus said: "I and the Father [God] are one" (John 10:30). Those listening in knew exactly what he was saying. They picked up rocks to stone him, saying: "We are stoning you... for blasphemy, because you, a mere man, claim to be God." (John 10:33)

Jesus claimed to be God! This wasn't a one-off slip of the tongue. Jesus made similar claims on other occasions. Now of course, anyone can say that they're God! Backing up that claim is a different matter. If you were God, living on earth as a man, how would you prove it? You'd have to do stuff that only God could do.

For instance, you'd have to be able to heal incurable diseases instantly with a touch, face down evil and defeat it, control nature and bring life from death. In the Bible we see Jesus doing all of this. (See Mark 1:19-21; 1:23-28; 4:35-41 and 5:37-42). Jesus backed up his claim to be God by what he did.

My point is this - someone who was just a great man

or just a great moral teacher wouldn't have made the claims Jesus made or had the power to do what Jesus did.

Jesus' claims to be God don't allow us the option of thinking he was just a good man or just a great teacher. If you think about it, because he claimed to be God, Jesus was either a madman—someone who thought he was God, but was really crazy; a liar—someone who was deliberately deceiving the people; or he was who he said he was—he was God. They're the only 3 options we have when it comes to the identity of Jesus.

What do you think? It's a crucial question. If Jesus is just a historical figure, a great moral teacher, then what he said doesn't need to have any bearing on our life. But if he is God then we need to sit up and take notice!

Paul



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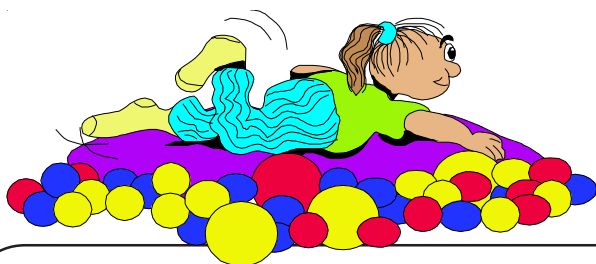
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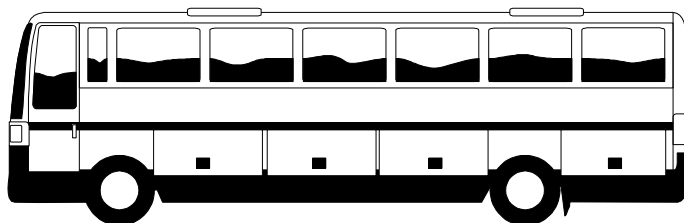
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Friday 9 March

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Adm: £5 - Director: Jason Reitman

Cast: George Clooney, Vera Farmiga & Anna Kendrick

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Friday 16 March

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Sunday 25 March at 2.30pm

"Music from Manchester" Chetham's School.

Adm: £8, under 16s: £5

Brothers Geordie and Jackie Campbell, who thrilled our audience in October, have agreed to return to represent Chetham's, presenting the opportunity of a first hearing for those who missed their original recital and the pleasure of a repeat experience for those who were there. Currently studying with Stephen Bottomley at Chetham's, they are major prize winners in both national and international competitions.

Friday 30 March

"Licensed to Trill" The Opera Dudes.

Adm: £10, under 16s: £5

A unique blend of style, swing and slapstick humour, from Verdi and Elvis Presley to Lloyd Webber, via Rachmaninoff and Donald Duck! Don't be surprised to find your feet tapping, your sides splitting and your heart breaking. Expect the unexpected - opera, swing, showstoppers and impressions. As well as their terrific singing, the show includes funny stories, singalongs, a concert piano solo and a silly piano duet.

Unless otherwise stated:

Doors open 6.45pm Perf 7.30pm

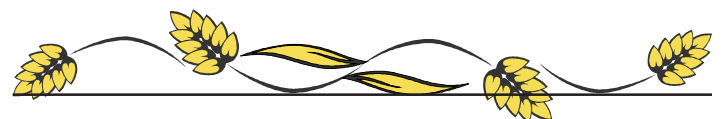
Book by telephone or in person when the Box Office is open from 10am to 1pm on Tuesdays and Fridays from September to May and prior to each performance.

Telephone 015395 64283 24 hour Answerphone

E-mail: boxoffice@theherontheatre.com

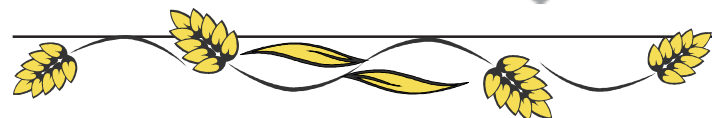
Web booking form: www.theherontheatre.com

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REMINDER...

Please make sure the birds
have food & fresh water
as they start to breed





Burton-in-Kendal Art & Craft Society

Vibrant Pastels

Workshop: Duncan Ibbotson
Saturday 24 March 10am-4pm

Burton Memorial Hall
Reception Room

Members only: £5, book on 01524 781984



Activity Afternoons for the Over 50's

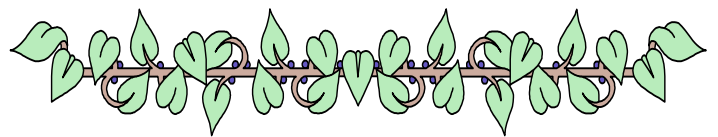
Every 4th Wednesday of the month, join the Silver Songsters for an hour of singing popular songs just for fun. 1.30pm – 3pm at Burton Memorial Hall. Cost £3.00 including refreshments.

Age UK South Lakeland are an independent local charity providing information, advice and support for people in South Lakeland who are over 50 and their families and carers.

Ruth Taylor is the locally based **Village Agent for Milnthorpe, Burton and Holme** and can be contacted via the **Age UK South Lakeland Helpline** on **01539 728180**.

She is available to help older people access information and services between 10.00am – 11.30am on Monday 5 March at Burton Memorial Hall.

Registered Charity Number 1141415



 Telephone: **01524 782476**
01539 722594

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Holme & District Flower Club

Land of the Long White Cloud

Speaker: Annie Hinde

Monday 5 March
at 7.30pm

Preston Patrick Memorial Hall
Visitors welcome: £4 session

Burton Pre-School

Burton Memorial Hall

Chair: Kate Arkwright

Pre-School Manager: Nicola Braithwaite



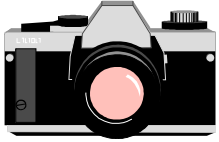
We take children from the age of 2 years including children who are entitled to the Education Grant (over 3 years)

Opening times

Mon	9am - 12 noon	Under 3s / Over 3s
Mon	12 noon - 3pm	Over 3s
Tues	9am - 12 noon	Under 3s / Over 3s
Weds	9am - 12 noon	Under 3s / Over 3s
Thurs	9am - 12 noon	Under 3s / Over 3s
Fri	9am - 12 noon	Under 3s / Over 3s
Fri	12 noon - 3pm	Over 3s

For more information please phone
07917 870001

*Fully qualified staff. Social Services registered.
Members of the Pre-School Learning Alliance.
OFSTED recommended.
Registered charity 517138*



Holme & District Photographic Society

March Meetings

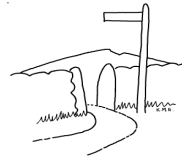
- Thur 1 South Lakes Knockout at Ulverston
 Fri 9 L&CPU Nature & Illustrative
 Entries for Summer Comp (Rural Life)
 Fri 16 SLP&D Open. Judge: Paul Edmunds
 Fri 30 Summer Comp. Judge: David Poole
 Entries for Garstang Battle

April Meetings

- Mon 3 Garstang Battle selection committee

**All meetings are held at Holme Parish Hall
 commencing at 8pm unless otherwise stated**

*Visitors welcome at all meetings
 More info from: Paul Edmunds 01524 782181*



BURTON FELLWALKING SOCIETY

March Walks

Sunday 4 March 12 noon ***
 Sunderland Point - 5.5 miles
 Leader: Nigel Pullen

Saturday 17 March 9.30am
 Threlkeld - 8 miles
 Leader: Helen Nixon

Wednesday 28 March 1.00pm
 Lupton
 Leader: Kath Hayhurst

April Walks

Sunday 1 April 1.00pm
 Wansfell - 6 miles
 Leader: Kath Kirkman

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 £2.00 Membership £8 from Jan 1st yearly
 More info from the secretary, Carole, on 782007
 or visit our website: <http://fellwalkers.burtonweb.org.uk>*



Burton W.I. meeting at Burton Memorial Hall

Thursday 8 March at 7.30pm

Wildlife

Speaker: David Marsden

Monday 12 March

21st Century Women in Slavery

Speaker: Julia Hawthorne

Tickets: £8 incl wine & nibbles

New Members & Visitors Welcome!

Contact: Helena Nixon 781048



Holme & District Local History Society

<http://localhistory.burtonweb.org.uk>

**The Portable Antiquities Scheme
 in Lancashire and Cumbria:
 an update of recent finds particularly
 the Silverdale Hoard**

Speaker: Dot Boughton

Monday 19 March at 7.45pm

Burton Memorial Hall

Visitors welcome: £2

Editorial...

Any more 'Jubilee' events?

We are fast approaching the celebrations of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, only the second such event ever to have occurred in the UK. Burton is having a number of events over the Jubilee weekend and continuing over Monday / Tuesday too, but does anyone know of more going on in the area? Considering our own events (see page 10 for a list of these) are there any of you willing to give a helping hand? You would be more than welcome. Let BN and the Parish Council know of any planned Jubilee events please.

Q. How many years is a Diamond Jubilee?

If you answered '60' then you would of course be correct, but how many of you knew that in the UK and Commonwealth this was only since Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1897? Prior to this it was considered to be the 75th anniversary, and was brought forward to lighten the mood of the country following Victoria's disappearance from public life after the death of Prince Albert. The rest of the world (except the USA who stuck with 75) always considered it to be the 60th year, e.g. Chinese emperors Xangxi (1721) and Qianlong (1795), Korean rulers Taejo (113) and Jangsu (472). In fact there have only been three more rulers who managed a Diamond Jubilee so the club is very exclusive indeed - Queen Elizabeth II will only be the 9th member, so not even into double figures yet!

An even more exclusive club!

How many times has there been a 'Jubiloo' day in history? I think we can confidently say ours will be the first one on the 5 June 2012 (and may well be the last so make your mark in history by joining in.) So what is a 'Jubiloo' day? The official opening of the new Pre-school toilets in the Burton Memorial Hall no less, and definitely something to celebrate as it was the Big Lottery Jubilee People's Millions success that enabled this much needed addition to BMH to be built. So we feel that taking liberties with 'Jubilee' is justified, and we feel sure HRH would approve too.

AN & BJM

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.



For Sale

FOR SALE 3yrs-old 2-seater electric reclining settee. Colour Peru vanilla. As New. £400 (cost over £1,000). Telephone Les. on 07966 168 232.

Swap Shop or **For Sale** adverts are a max of 3 lines (must incl. a phone number).

Copy of advert should be put into a sealed envelope marked **BN Sales & Swaps** and left at the newsagents .

Annual Gift Subscriptions

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 below.

BURTON NEWS

Please send us your letters - articles - events news - stories - recipes etc for publication

Drop them into The Newsagents, Main Street, Burton or send by e-mail to editor@burtonnews.org.uk

**NEXT MEETING 7.30pm
Tuesday 20 March in BMH**

**LAST DATE FOR COPY FOR NEXT ISSUE
20 March for the April issue**

N.B. Recycling Facilities at Burton Memorial Hall are currently unavailable due to the ongoing building work



Circuit Training

Every Monday at 7.15 pm

BMH Main Hall

Every Friday at 6.15 pm

BMH Reception Room

Improve your Strength & Endurance
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Body Composition & Flexibility

For further info call John 01524 781707



Burton Indoor Bowling Club

We meet each Wednesday afternoon 2 till 4. It's good fun and exercise. Why not try it out? Everyone welcome at Burton Memorial Hall.

Mobile Banking Service

Memorial Hall Car Park

Fridays

10.30am - 11.15am

<http://www.natwest.com/personal/more-ways/g4/natwests-mobile-banking-service.ashx>



Burton Tennis Club

Get fit and meet people. Any age and ability catered for. Join Burton Tennis Club. New membership open from 1 April. Competitions, local league teams. Coaching sessions and club nights and afternoons. Phone Phil Mann 782152 for details.

Burton Crown Green Bowling



We meet every Monday night from about 6.30 until 8.00 (ish) from about mid-March, and anyone wishing to try their hand will be more than welcome. More details from Malcolm Brownsord, Acting Chairman, tel: 01524 781405

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?

Library Coffee Morning

First Monday of Every Month

9.30 - 11.30am



Burton Memorial Hall



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

ART IN BURTON

Three art groups meet regularly in the Memorial Hall. If you are interested, why not contact the group leaders to find out more about each session?

Monday 2 pm - 4 pm Mary Newell, tel: 782749

Thursday 9.30 am - 12 noon Judith Ellis, tel: 781057

Friday 9.30 am - 12 noon Paula Firth, tel: 781984

LADIES BADMINTON

Ladies Badminton meets in the BMH every Tuesday from 1.30pm - 2.30pm. If anyone would like to join the group please ask for more details from Stephanie Micklethwaite on 781073.

S. Lakes Age Concern BURTON LUNCH CLUB (for over 55s)

The Burton Lunch Club meets every month in the Kings Arms, Burton. The club is open to anyone aged 55 or older. To join the club and book your lunch please contact Mrs Margaret Prady on 01524 781195.

COMMUNITY INFO

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

OUT OF HOURS PHARMACY SERVICE

Ash Trees Pharmacy
Market Street, Carnforth

Monday to Friday 7am to 11pm

Saturday 8am to 6.30pm

Sunday 8am to 6pm

Tel: 01524 727877 - Fax: 01524 730421

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	101
Kendal Library	01539 713520
Kendal Hospital	01539 732288
Lancaster Hospital	01524 65944

Council Switchboards

Cumbria County Council	01539 773000
SLDC	01539 733333

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.

SLDC Recycling Information



Andy Vickers

Customer Contact Centre
on 0845 050 4434

email: recycling@southlakeland.gov.uk

Cumbria County Council Highways Hotline

0845 609 6609

to report road or pavement problems

BURTON-IN-KENDAL

PARISH COUNCIL

**Meetings are 3rd Thursday of every month
7.30pm in the Memorial Hall**

Meetings:

Members of the public are always welcome to observe. Each meetings includes an OPEN FORUM where parishioners may raise matters of concern to them.

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.

Agendas & Minutes & Contact Details:

These are available on the PC notice board outside the Memorial Hall, on the PC website, or on request from the Parish Clerk.

Website:

Documents relating to the PC may be downloaded or read online here:

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



**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT
THE CLERK - Peter Smith on 782198**

ADVANCE DIARY DATES



Great Lakeland Pub Quiz, Thursday 1 March, starts 8pm, Kings Arms Burton
Burton Pre-school New to You Sale, Saturday 10 March, 10am-12 noon, BMH
Support BADS at the Cumbria Drama Festival, Sat 10 March, 6.45pm, Victoria Hall, Grange-over-Sands
BCSC Big Kids Day Out, Saturday 24 March, 10.30am - 2.00pm, Morecambe Superbowl
Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 27 March, 7.30pm, BMH
Family History Roadshow, Sat. 31 March 10am - 4pm, Carnforth Station Visitor Centre

Age UK Seated Exercise Class, Mon 2 April 2.00 - 3.30pm, Holme Parish Hall
Daffodil Show, Easter Sunday 8 April, Kings Arms Burton
Ladies Day Fashion and Horse Racing Fun, Friday 27 April at 7.00pm. The Castle Green Hotel, Kendal

Fashion Show by Town & Country Fashions in aid of BMH, Friday 4 May at 7.30pm, BMH
Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 29 May, 7.30pm, BMH

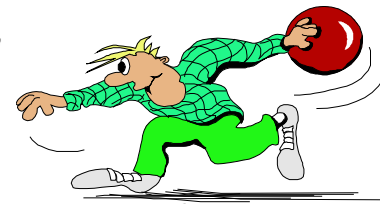
Burton-in-Kendal Art & Craft Society Annual Exhibition, Sat 2 & Sun 3 June, 10am - 4pm, BMH
Holme & District LHS Jubilee Exhibition, Sat 2 & Sun 3 June, 10am - 4pm, BMH
Children's Sports Day & Carnival, Mon 4 June, Morewood School field
Jubiloo Day at the Memorial Hall, Tues 5 June, BMH

Age UK Happy and Active Event, Wed 6 June 11am - 3pm, BMH
Cumbria Family History Society, Sat 16 June 1.00 - 4.30pm, BMH
Silverdale & Arnsdale Art & Craft Trail, Friday 29 June - Sunday 1 July, see www.silverdalearttrail.co.uk

Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 24 July, 7.30pm, BMH

Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 25 September, 7.30pm, BMH
CraftMarket2012, Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 September, 10am-4pm, BMH

Burton Memorial Hall Management Committee Meeting, Tues 27 November, 7.30pm, BMH



BMH = BURTON MEMORIAL HALL
BMS = Burton Morewood School

BCSC = Burton Children's Sports Committee
BADS = Burton Amateur Dramatic Society