

An impressionistic painting of a church spire and trees. The spire is on the left, partially obscured by dense foliage. The trees are in the foreground and middle ground, with vibrant green and yellow leaves. The sky is a mix of blue and white, suggesting a bright, sunny day. The overall style is painterly and colorful.

The **Burtonian**

Burton in Lonsdale
Village Newsletter

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Editorial

The iconic view down Burton High Street on a sunny March afternoon, evolved over many centuries, long before the Planning Acts and Committees.

Let's hope that our new Council (*p.19*) finds out where Burton is and that further development is carried out with the same confidence, but also sympathy.

For an "A" road, there is, remarkably, just one "Calvert & Kinnear" road sign; the "curve-in-the-road" rather understates the right-angle bend at the end of the Street - and completely ignores Duke Street even as a "minor road". Who's worried about that? As long as it doesn't become necessary to have the yellow "totem poles" that have sprung up all along the Lune Valley Road.

And it would be good to get rid of the "cat's cradle" of phone and electric cables, that spoil the top end of the Street.

When we first came here, the Union Jack wound itself from the flagpole onto our telephone cable. It was rescued with a bit of help from a fishing rod –and earned an early accolade in the annals of the Parish Council.

Now that B4RN is safely installed, I wonder whether the cables could go....

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The Front Cover shows Jeny Keen's beautiful water-colour of
Burton Church from Greta Woods

Quizzes continue weekly on a Wednesday in the Punch Bowl!

Village Diary

1 April	7.30pm	Film Night : Mrs Harris Goes to Paris	Village Hall
4 April	10.30am	"Big Bug" Hotel	The Orchard
5 April	Noon	"Coffee & Chat"	Village hall
13 April	7.30pm	Parish Council Finance Committee	Village Hall
20 April	7.30pm	Parish Meeting	Village Hall
22 April	2.00pm	Bowling Club Jumble sale	Ingleton Com. Centre
25 April	7.30pm	Talk on the Lune River Trust	Pavilion
27 April	8.00pm	Burton Communication Group AGM	Punch Bowl
27 April	9.00am	Community Workforce	Punch Bowl
29 April		Concert "Three in the Hall"	Village Hall
30 April	8.00pm	Music Night	Punch Bowl
5 May	7.30pm	Film night: See How They Run	Village Hall
6 - 8 May		Coronation Weekend	See centre pages
13 May		Nicola Mills Concert	Village Hall
18 May	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall
21 May		Sarah McQuaid Concert	Village Hall
24 May	7.30	Shop AGM	Village Hall
28 May	8.00	Music night	Punch Bowl

BURTON in LONSDALE BOWLING CLUB

Why not have a go at Bowls this season? Club afternoons take place on Wednesday & Friday from **2-00pm from the start of April until September**. Everybody is most welcome.

Our annual **JUMBLE SALE** takes place on

SATURDAY 22ND APRIL, 2.00pm at Ingleton Community Centre.

Can you help by providing items that may be useful at this event such as clean clothes, games, toys, books etc? Many thanks to all those who contributed last year, the afternoon was a real success for the club. We intend to collect items left outside your house on

WEDNESDAY, 19th APRIL BETWEEN 10-00am & 6-00pm

If you would rather choose another day for collection please e-mail: langley-vose@btopenworld.com and we'll collect it at any time that suits you.

Many thanks,

BURTON in LONSDALE COMMUNICATION GROUP

Notice of Annual General Meeting

This is a notice to inform that AGM of the above, will be held on 27th April 2023 at 8pm in the Punch Bowl, Low Street.

Burton Communication Group

BURTON in LONSDALE FILM CLUB

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 1st April "Mrs Harris Goes To Paris"

Friday 5th May "See How They Run"

Saturday 3rd June "Living"

Saturday 1st July "Emily"

Starts at 7.30 pm ... Refreshments available ...Door Open at 7.00pm

Lune Rivers Trust will give a talk about their activities at 7.30pm on 25th April, in the Pavilion

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Burton in Lonsdale Community Workforce

working together to improve our neighbourhood



March 2023

The Burton in Lonsdale Community Workforce met on Sat 4th March 2023 for its inaugural task: replacement of the boards around the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) at the Recreation Field.

The old boards were installed 25 years ago when the facility was established and had suffered being outdoors and exposed to the elements for so long. The Recreation Committee had replaced half of the boards over the last few years, but asked the Community Workforce if they could help replace the remaining boards. The Recreation Committee provided all the boards and fixings.

The task was to remove and replace 36 boards, most of which were full 8ft x 4ft boards with 20 bolts in each. Twelve members of the Community Workforce turned up with their tools and knowhow and managed to replace 10 boards over 3 hours. Having not completed the task the Community Workforce met on the following three Saturday mornings to complete the work.



Now all the boards have been replaced and, with plans afoot to clean the surface, it is expected that the MUGA will be open to the public soon.

Many thanks to the Community Workforce specifically; Alan, Ian C, Andy W, Malcom, Julian, David, Phil, Mike, Luke, Sam, Paul, Colin, Ian T, Hannah & Andy I for offering their time and expertise on consecutive Saturdays mornings to help improve our neighbourhood.

To get involved in the Burton in Lonsdale Community Workforce please join the WhatsApp group to be kept abreast of forthcoming activities. Please scan the QR code with your smart phone camera or get in touch with me directly, contact details below.



If you have a project that would benefit from Community Workforce assistance please don't hesitate to get in touch. We plan to meet on the first Saturday of each month to complete the tasks. **Next Community Workforce Task on Sat 29th April, 9am outside the Pub!**

Greta Wood -

Burton's own fragment of temperate rainforest *Jean Smith*

Temperate rainforests were once a feature of Britain's high rainfall Western fringes and covered a fifth of the British landmass. Now only isolated fragments remain, and these have recently attracted the attention of environmentalists who recognise the importance of preserving this internationally rare habitat.

Lichens, mosses, ferns and fungi thrive in this cool, wet, green environment. A key indicator of this now rare habitat is the presence of epiphytes – plants that grow on other plants. If you walk through Greta Woods and up Clifford Gill you will observe polypody ferns and jelly fungi growing on the trunks of trees as well as a superabundance of mosses. Many trees have fallen because of ash die-back but mosses and ferns are everywhere, covering rocks, walls and tree trunks and making Greta Wood and Clifford Gill a very special green world

Other local patches of temperate rainforest which have been identified are the Ingleton glens, Chapel-le-dale and Lowgill. To these examples of temperate rainforest we can add Greta Wood and the side valleys of Greta River. These are special and rare habitats which we need to treasure and preserve.



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Chocolate Easter Cake

Alessandra Toft

The tastiest and the quickest chocolate cake you'll ever bake. The star baker will be you!

I hope that you have a go at making this delicious cake, as always all the ingredients can be purchased from our village shop, which of course has many benefits for everyone, including supporting our village shop.

This recipe is ideal to make into cup cakes and eaten plain or filled with buttercream, or with a chocolate icing on top and decorated with mini eggs, or a little Easter chick. Adding chocolate chips to the cake batter before baking work well too. A great recipe and activity to do with the young family members over the Easter holidays.

Ingredients

175g self-raising flour
40g cocoa powder
1 tsp baking powder 6g
125g caster sugar
1 dessertspoon black treacle 40g
150 mls vegetable oil
150 mls whole milk
2 large eggs

For the chocolate ganache filling

150g double cream
150g Bournville chocolate broken into pieces.

Alternative filling
Whipped cream and jam of your choice.
2 x 17cm (7 in) deep sandwich tins, greased and lined with non-stick baking paper

Pre heat the oven to 160 C

Method

1. You can make this cake by hand or by using an electric whisk. Put all the ingredients in a bowl and with a wooden spoon or electric whisk mix everything together until smooth and lump free.
2. Spoon evenly into the two prepared tins, and cover with greaseproof paper to help them cook gently and not too quickly. Bake for around 40 minutes.
3. Once cool take cakes out of the tins, and remove the greaseproof paper from the bottom of the cake.
4. To make the ganache, put the chocolate and cream in a bowl, and place the bowl over a pan of hot water on the stove. Make sure the bottom of the bowl does not touch the hot water. The water temperature only needs to be kept warm enough to melt the chocolate. Once the chocolate has melted mix well, and allow to cool slightly.
5. Place one of the cakes on a serving plate or board and put half the ganache filling on top and spread it out to the edges of the cake. Place the second cake on top and put the remaining ganache on the top of the cake and spread evenly over the top. Decorate with more chocolate on top, maybe a broken up flake, grated chocolate, mini eggs, Maltesers what ever takes your fancy!

LETTERS

From Marilyn Smith

Dear Editors,

What a pity the person who was unhappy with the content of the Burtonian (*letters, issue 114*) hid themselves under the cloak of anonymity. Does this imply that they were ashamed to put their name to their word, or is it merely a case of mischief making? As for the letter's content, what is wrong with including news of the surrounding area, are we so insular in Burton that we have no interest in what is happening elsewhere? I don't think so.

We are lucky to have The Burtonian, and whilst authentic and constructive criticism can be very helpful, anonymous comments such as these don't deserve space on the page.

Marilyn Smith

From Olwen Auret

Dear Editors

The Burtonian is my source of all village information and am so grateful for all the news, information and adverts for local services. Thank you for making this happen!

My son is staying at our cottage this week - week off from uni - and as he doesn't have a car needs to get the bus into Kirkby. We had a look at the timetable printed in the Burtonian, but the times for the Burton to Kirkby route don't coincide with the timetable.

I have shared with you what I sent to him [see below] It may be useful to add in what time the bus leaves Kirkby and on which side of the road to stand. He did ask multiple people for help in the village but nobody was 100% sure so this information may be useful to others.

I am really no expert on timetables so please just double check me too before making any changes for the next newsletter.

Thanks

Olwen

Editors Note: We are grateful to Olwen for his contribution. The table (this month on p29) is only meant to be a guide to departure times, from Burton. Even those seem to have been wrong, but they have now been corrected.

The timetable is too complicated to summarise and we do recommend you look on line <https://klch.co.uk/bus-services/timetable-580-581-582-75-the-craven-connection>



Dear Editors

Please could you print the attached photo in the next Burtonian, with a caption

"Irresponsible dog owner has thrown a dog poo bag onto our flat roof."

Thanks

Sarah and Peter Farrow

Stay & Play

Christine Whitfield

Thankyou to the World War One Group who gave us some money to spend! We have bought a Wonderball Fun House with half of the money, and here it is! We can put balls into the four drain-pipes and watch them roll down into pockets, shelves, chutes and through holes! Two of us can fit in, the door is easy to open, and it is great fun! Thank you.



BURTON IN LONSDALE VILLAGE HALL

We would like to thank all those who have returned the leaflet we circulated about the improvements to the Village Hall.

It was a fantastic response and so nice to read all the wonderful comments about the Hall.

These will help immensely in our funding applications and we hope to be able to bring the Hall into the 21st century as soon as possible.

Thank you so much

The Village Hall Committee

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News from the Schools

Tatham Fells CE (VC) Primary News

'Roots to Grow, Wings to fly, Faith to flourish. We had an amazing time at the Lune Valley Gymnastics competition at Heysham. A team of our pupils competed in pairs on a full competition floor. They performed confidently and pulled off team bronze medals as well as gaining a lot of confidence in performance. Many thanks to Mrs Speight, our PE specialist and Lucy Ip, lead coach from City of Lancaster Gymnastics for making it possible.

The week before we were busy with a swimming gala at Heysham which was also thoroughly enjoyed by our children. Thanks to the Lancaster sports partnership for giving our children so many opportunities. Y5/6 also took part in the Lune Valley Schools swimming Gala and pairs of juniors have been practising for Lune Valley netball tournament.

This half term our KS2 pupils have also taken part in a workshop project with more music and Ludus dance company to learn about germs and vaccination through dance, drama and singing. This linked in well to their work on humans and they delivered a confident performance to our KS1 pupils passing on their knowledge.

Our infants have learned all about Pompeii in history and have compared their lives here with those of children in the rainforest area of Kampong Ayer in Geography.

We are looking forward to the development of our new forest school area. Mrs Entwistle, experienced teacher and owner of Swallows and Amazons forest school, will be working with us every Friday during term time. We will also be offering free forest school sessions to the pre-school children/ toddlers and their carers on Friday mornings from 10-11:30am in the summer term - watch this space!

Fiona Ip Headteacher

Melling St Wilfrid CE Primary

'For the love of learning, friendship and faith.'

Melling KS2 pupils took part in the lune valley gymnastics competition recently and coached by Mrs Speight and Lucy Ip .They delivered confident performances and had practised their skills at every opportunity. They were awarded team silver medals and Polly and Isabelle also won silver in the individual pairs routines – a superb achievement!

Our Infants went to the Dewlay cheese factory at Garstang and then had a tour of Booths supermarket as they were learning about food and farming. They learned all about how cheese is made, tasted cheeses and how it is sold.

We have places available in our Preschool Busybodies if you have a 2+ year old please call us to find out about sessions.

We are looking forward to restarting our community Diddidance sessions in school after Easter. They are at 11:15am in Thursday mornings starting on 20th April with our fabulous Diddidance teacher Nicola.

All toddlers and Pre-schoolers are welcome with their carers and there is no need to book. We look forward to seeing you!

Fiona Ip. Headteacher

Leck CE School

Budding entrepreneur challenge

Our Junior children took part in an entrepreneur challenge over the February half term break. They were each given £1 and asked to come up with ways they could grow this £1. In total the children raised £158.66 from various activities including car washing, making and selling bird feeders and selling horse muck! The children will vote on how best to spend the money.

Science activity day

To celebrate National Science Week, we enjoyed a whole day of science activities on 6th March. We did lots of different experiments including: testing which temperature of water made the biggest reaction between yeast, sugar and water; we came up with inventions to fix problems in our home; we looked at the relationship between plants, animals, trees and the environment and the impacts of removing one of those things; we looked at the different phases of the moon. It was a really fun day.

Crazy hair day

On Friday the 9th March everyone came to school with crazy hair, and we fundraised for the Princess Trust because one of the year four students was having 30 cms of her hair cut to make a wig for people with cancer.

Climbing at Hutton Roof

The Upper Junior children enjoyed a full day climbing at Hutton Roof Crag at the beginning of March. Helped by instructors from Tower Wood, and with lots of teamwork, encouragement, and resilience, all the children climbed higher than they thought they would. Year 6 pupil, Gracie, tells us about the day: "In the morning at half past nine we set off to go to Hutton Roof crag to climb. First when we got there, we had to put on a helmet and got given harnesses. We had to put them in our bag. We walked up a very steep hill behind a church to get to some amazingly steep grasslands. All of us slowly and carefully walked up the hill. When we got to the top there was a big rock face and then the instructor put 4 ropes down the cliffs and then we climbed up them. There was one where you had to climb over a ledge, and it was really hard."

The Journalists Team

*Gracie Geidmintis Dixon
Finlay Thompson
Sophia Franklin
Joshua Lawson*

OPEN GARDENS



Just a reminder for your diaries, that OPEN GARDENS is happening on Sunday June 18th, with a plant sale and refreshments at the Village Hall. Anyone who wishes to open their gardens please let either Sue Cross or Kate Vose (langleyvose@btopenworld.com) know, if you have not already done so. We are on course for an excellent number of gardens to be on show, so we hope as many of you as possible will come along and enjoy the day. Full details in the June Burtonian.

Burton PALS

UP & RUNNING AGAIN

Lunesdale Arts Trail, June 24/25th & July 1st & 2nd

After 2 years closed for Covid and a further year against risk, the Lunesdale Arts (Studio) Trail is up and running again this summer. There will be ten artists' studios open for you to explore, with a variety of exciting work on display. What is more: it is free. Work will be for sale and the artists will be on hand to discuss it with you. There will be road signs to the studios from Farleton, in the villages and at road junctions. When you arrive at your first visit you will find waiting for you a brochure with a map and a list of all artists for you to visit.

Full Days Available!

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Village Produce Show

9th September 2023

Village Hall

It's time to get planting and preparing for the village produce show!



Following the show's success last year, categories have been increased to include;

Vegetables

- A group of onions
- Biggest Onion
- Heaviest marrow
- Longest marrow
- A group of runner beans
- Longest runner bean
- A group of tomatoes
- Largest tomato
- Unusual vegetable
- Freaky vegetable

Flowers & Indoor Plants

- A Dahlia bloom
- A Rose bloom
- Vase of cut garden flowers
- Vase of dahlias
- Foliage pot plant
- Flowering pot plant

Baking & Preserves

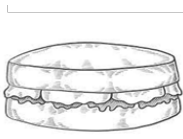
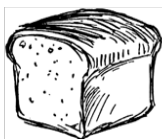
- Loaf of bread (White/Brown/Seeded)
- A plate of cheese scones
- A plate of fruit scones
- A round of shortbread
- A Victoria sponge cake
- A traybake
- A jar of jam
- A jar of lemon curd
- A jar of chutney

Art

- A local scene (Painting/Watercolour/ Pastel/Etching/Drawing/ Photograph).
- A photo of Burton in the snow of 2022.

Classes are open to all ages but there will also be a Children's Section

- A painted stone
- A miniature garden
- A traybake
- Imaginary animal using fruit & vegetables



Parish Council

Peter Thompson, Chair person

February and March have been all about planning applications. Many of you have been asking why nothing has been happening to the former school building and the proposed housing development on the land behind it. A revised planning application for the housing scheme was presented to Craven District Council's Planning Committee on 13 March. The revisions involved confirming site entrance arrangements and some legal issues around ownership. Part of the planning permission is a payment by the developer to support leisure and sports facilities in the village (known as a Section 106 agreement). I attended the meeting to support the changes to the layout of the site entrance and to seek clarity about the 106 payment. It was a positive meeting. The Planning Committee agreed to all of the changes and also gave the Parish Council the go ahead to discuss how best to manage the 106 payment. Councillor Wardle and I have subsequently met with Craven's Sports and Leisure Officer to consider revisions to the agreement.

As for the scheme itself, I spoke at length to the developer after the meeting. His focus is on the 11 housing plots. Once Craven's solicitors have firmed up the legalities of the planning permission, the developer is adamant he will start work immediately. I hope this is the case as I am sure we are all fed up with seeing what has become a blight on our landscape.

The meeting was a quite a poignant occasion as it was the last ever Craven Planning Committee meeting before the formation of the new North Yorkshire Authority in April. The school redevelopment was the last ever item on their agenda. I'm not sure if this is a claim to fame.

The other planning issue is the recent application to build 8 holiday homes along the banks of the River Greta. This application has met with much comment within our community. To gauge opinion, the Parish Council arranged a meeting on 7 March. Approximately 60 villagers attended as well as a representative of the developer and their architect. The quality of comments and questions was very high. The consensus was that this scheme is not appropriate for the proposed location. The Parish Council has now sought further guidance from a professional planning consultant and from other local organisations. Using all available information, the Parish Council has submitted an objection to the scheme. We anticipate the planning application will be reviewed by the new North Yorkshire Planning Committee in 2 or 3 months' time.

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Settle Orchestral Society

Did you know that there is a full-sized symphony orchestra based in Settle? Settle Orchestral Society began life in 1967, when a small group of local musicians who provided the music for Settle Amateur Operatic Society productions decided that they would like to keep playing together. The numbers were further increased thanks to a collaboration with Settle High School.

The orchestra has developed enormously since those early days, to a large extent thanks to Howard Rogerson's 15-year tenure as conductor. Howard was particularly keen to provide opportunities for youngsters to experience orchestral playing.



In 2017 we developed a partnership with the Royal Northern College of Music (RNCM), who recommend each year a conducting student. This season's conductor is Xinjie Yang from China who has already made her mark with an ambitious programme of Schubert and Tchaikovsky. The partnership gives us access to some very talented instrumental and vocal soloists, another way of encouraging young musicians.

We are fortunate in having two very experienced co-principals – Anne Heaton (violin), who has for many years taught in music centres in the region; and Bob Buller (cello), who played Tchaikovsky's Rococo Variations at our last concert.

We are always glad to hear from anyone who might like to join Settle Orchestra or write music for us. Rehearsals take place on Friday evenings in Settle. We sometimes need additional players for specific concerts and would be happy to hear from any local professionals interested in playing.

Full details of future concerts and contacts are on our website www.settleorchestra.org.uk. We look forward to seeing you soon!

JAZZ in HORNBY

Hello again Fans and Friend,

I'm being a pest. I know you are fully aware of next Saturday's gig with Gaz, but there are two more details.

First you can now book your tickets on line just click on hornbyinstitute.org.uk/shop/.

Secondly: if you fancy a pre-gig bite the Royal Oak has been fully functioning since just before Christmas with the original team once again running it; Gary & Helen.

Thanks. That's all,



Burton in Lonsdale Coronation Coronation Big Lunch

Communities across the United Kingdom have been invited to share food and fun together at Coronation Big Lunches on Sunday 7th May 2023, in a nationwide act of celebration and friendship. Our community has accepted this invitation, building on the success of our Jubilee celebrations in 2022, and will be providing an afternoon and evening of fun packed and engaging events for our community. Coronation Big Lunch Programme of Events – Sunday 7th May

1.00pm Duck Race

Join us at 1.00pm for the launch of our Ducks from the Community Orchard and watch them race along the River Greta towards the finishing line just downstream of the road bridge at the bottom of Burton Hill thanks to PALS with Trowels and our Community Workforce. Ducks, costing £1 each, are available to buy from our Community Shop. The winning duck will receive a prize, with all proceeds supporting our Coronation Big Lunch event.

1.15pm Picnic

Join us for our picnic lunch from 1.15pm onwards at the Recreation Field. Bring your own picnic food and also take advantage of the food and drink available, for the cost of a donation to support our Coronation Big Lunch event, including 'Soup & Rolls' and hot and cold drinks. You can also donate a cake for our cake stall, just bring it with you, and then sample the fantastic cakes on offer for a supportive donation. A marquee will be available to shade us from the glorious weather which will no doubt shine upon us, but please bring your own chairs or picnic rugs if you would like an alfresco experience. Make sure you save space for an ice cream from our on-site ice cream van supplied by 'The Milking Parlour' from Kirkby Lonsdale, between 2.00pm – 4.30pm.

2.00pm Traditional Sports Afternoon and Activities (Part 1)

Building on the great success of our Jubilee Sports day, from 2.00pm there will be an afternoon of traditional sports activities including in Part 1 a variety of races for all ages, led by Judith & Lee Marshall and their team of volunteers. Join in or just watch and enjoy the fun, or why not have a shot at the 'Ducking Stool' or 'Cow Milking' (not an actual Cow!), all generously supplied by the Burton in Lonsdale Young Farmers.

3.00pm Children's Coronation Crown Parade

Why not collect a free Coronation Crown template from our Community Shop and decorate it in preparation for our parade? All children are welcome to take part, with prizes for the best decorated crowns to be presented during the break in our Traditional Sports Afternoon.

3.15pm Traditional Sports Afternoon and Activities (Part 2)

Building on the success of Part 1 of our Traditional Sports Afternoon, Part 2 from 3.15pm will contain a variety of traditional sports activities including 'Wellie Wanging', 'Tug of War', a 'Strong Person' competition and 'Rounders', again led by Judith & Lee Marshall and their team of volunteers. Continue to join in or just watch and enjoy the fun, or why not have a shot at the 'Ducking Stool' or 'Cow Milking' (not an actual Cow!), all generously supplied by the Burton in Lonsdale Young Farmers.

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Coronation Celebrations – May 2023

h & The Big Help Out



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4.30pm Barbecue

Breathe a sigh of relief and celebrate your victories or glorious participation by enjoying a burger or hot dog, with Vegan alternatives available, and be 'bowled over' by the barbecue experience provided by Lee Marshall and the team. Quench your thirst with a refreshing hot or cold drink, or enjoy something a little stronger from our Pavilion Bar.

6.00pm Coronation Concert 'Live Stream'

With your hunger satiated and thirst quenched, why not dance the evening away to the sound of 'Al's Playlist' and enjoy a 'live stream' of the Coronation Concert. What better way to enjoy musical icons and contemporary stars performing in celebration of this historic occasion, than to share it with your family and friends, neighbours and our wonderful community and bring our Coronation Big Lunch to an end with a bang.

In tribute to His Majesty The King's public service, The Big Help Out is aimed to encourage people to try volunteering for themselves and join the work being undertaken to support their local areas. We are proud to have a thriving volunteer community here in Burton in Lonsdale and this provides an incredible opportunity to further widen our volunteering opportunities as we work together to create a lasting volunteering legacy from the Coronation Weekend.

The Big Help Out Programme of Events – Monday 8th May



10.00am Coronation Big Lunch tidy up

Why not join our volunteers at the Recreation Ground and help to tidy up from our fantastic Coronation Big Lunch. Led by our Community Workforce we will collapse our marquee, pack away tables and chairs, unplug our lighting and visual effects set up, although hopefully not in that order, before carrying out a litter pick of the Recreation Field.

10.00am Village Litter Pick

Why not join our volunteers on the Green and help to keep our village even tidier by taking part in our Village Litter Pick. Litter bags and gloves will be provided, as we 'sweep' through the village, zone by zone meeting back at the Village Hall.

12.00pm Big Help Out Thank You

With our Big Help Out completed, all volunteers can share a hot drink, a biscuit and a catch up in the Village Hall sharing memories of our Coronation Big Lunch and Big Help Out. What better way to end the Coronation Weekend!

"Sunday Night is Music Night" *from our Music Correspondent*

Given the day of the week, it was tempting to just slump in front of the tellybox. School night, an' all. But there was rumour of music at the Punch Bowl, I wanted to know what a cajon was – and besides, what's iPlayer for?

There was nothing about the twinkling lights of the pub to suggest that the embryo of Burton's version of Glastonbury was gestating inside. A few souls propped up the bar and a fair crowd hunched around chattering tables. An octet or so of musicians had settled themselves at the far, toilet, end of the room. Someone was tuning a guitar. A gentle chord rang out: Kerrang! - it was not. Paper was shuffled. Another chord. Somebody murmured, "What shall we do, then?" Indistinct muttering. Then, before you could count four, a spirited version of 'Brown Eyed Girl' started up. The bass solo was missing, the ending a little uncertain, but it wasn't too bad. Not bad at all. And so the evening began.

Over the next couple or more hours, including gaps, an eclectic range of numbers, some OK, some excellent, were performed. *Everything* was applauded. There were solo efforts, concerted efforts, duets and trios. People joined in where they could, or sat back, smiling and listening. There was a bit of Dylan, some Sting, numbers from the 50s onward, a bit of blues, an Irish reel on mandolin – a real mix-up. Bill and Brian played a haunting version of 'Who Knows Where the Time Goes' on dulcimer and guitar. John, Simon and Phil




did some rockier stuff – rumour has it they performed an acoustic version of Led Zep's 'Rock 'n' Roll on a previous occasion! Simon on acoustic bass and Phil on cajon added a rhythm section to anyone who wanted it. Broad smiles all round. The crowd called out for more.

The cajon? – it is a box-shaped percussion instrument, like a drum, that you sit on. Originally from Peru, it's wonderful!



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The new North Yorkshire Council launches on April 1, representing the biggest shake-up in local government in the county since 1974.

The new authority will bring together the current eight councils which provide services to the public to form one single organisation covering the whole of England's largest county.

You will still be able to access all the support, advice and services you do currently but from just one council instead of eight. There will be one telephone number, one website, one customer service team and one set of face-to-face customer access points spread across the whole County. There will be a main office in each former district area, supported by around 30 additional customer access points, located in public locations.

Having one council will end confusion over which council does what and which councillor is responsible for which area. More than 80 per cent of our staff live in North Yorkshire and take pride in delivering good quality services for their families, friends and the communities they serve.

Devolution is a key policy of the Government, handing over decision-making powers to local political leaders and providing millions of pounds in funding to shape major policies and projects on a regional level. A proposed 30-year devolution deal for York and North Yorkshire, with an investment fund of £540 million, was unveiled on August 1 last year, and is due to lead to benefits, ranging from new and better-paid jobs and improved skills and training to more affordable housing.

Replacing eight councils with one authority, gives us all the best possible chance of protecting services which residents value at a time of exceptional financial pressures. It is estimated that there will be a shortfall of more than £30 million in the new council's revenue budget for the next financial year, all of which will have to be covered by the one-off use of reserves even after some additional savings have also been introduced.

However, North Yorkshire Council will have spending power of about £1.4 billion, including £343 million on schools. It is large enough to maximise the benefits of delivering services at scale across a rural county whilst having communities at its heart. Even in its first few years, by joining up services and maximising spending power North Yorkshire Council will save between £30 million and £70 million, which will then become annual savings.

This is money that can be used to help protect some of the most important local services at a critical time when everyone and every organisation is feeling the pressure from increased costs. There will be tough financial decisions ahead, but by making this change now, we are in a much stronger position to manage the rising costs and increased demand for services. We are also in a stronger position to work with partners like the health sector, police, fire, and the community and voluntary sector to get the most from every pound of taxpayers' money in North Yorkshire.

NOTES FROM AN UNINTENDED NATURALIST SPRING 2023

As I write, daylight hours are lengthening, starting all the rhythms that send the natural world into Spring renewal. Thoughts of courtship and nesting are uppermost in birds' minds and their joyful singing from the garden wakes me up, early on a Burton in Lonsdale morning.

Out walking on the estuary, I have enjoyed watching both great and little egrets, graceful with their snow white plumage and distinctive long necks, as they search for food on the shoreline and nearby fields.

A few years ago, I was asked to paint an eco-coffin for Barry, a fine former colleague of mine, who had just died. He had been a very keen naturalist and so I went through my sketchbooks, to pick out the fauna and flora, that he loved. I had a few sketches of a great white egret and so included the tall wading bird as part of a local miscellany of birds, mammals, amphibians and insects, painted all over the coffin. I haven't many images of it: this photo shows a detail of my work 'in progress'.

White storks look similar to egrets. They were extinct in Britain for over 600 years, until breeding conditions were just right, in May 2020 (at the time we were all in the gloom of COVID 19). A pair of white storks nested high up in an oak tree on The Knepp Estate (see footnote) and three chicks hatched, successfully.

Storks, *ciconia ciconia*, with a wingspan of over seven feet are common and much loved in Europe. I have seen their large, untidy nests in all sorts of places from the roof of Colmar Cathedral to phone masts in Morocco. Delightful folk lore has grown around these birds with their amorous courting display, throwing their heads back to amplify the joyful, beak-clattering sound from their throats.

Their annual migrations from Europe to Africa in large flocks are a wonder. Patrick Leigh Fermor, (in his books, *A Time of Gifts*, *Between The Woods and the Water*, narrating his youthful journey, in the 1930s mostly by foot, from London, to Constantinople), described, lyrically, the storks, migrating across Eastern Europe.

One small extract describes the Hungarian shepherd "*without a tooth in his head*", who smiled and said something in Magyr, as the birds passed close to them. "*Touching my arm, he pointed downstream....at something just discernible across the failing sky. Ragged and flocculent, fading to grey, scattered with specks of pink from the declining sun,....a thick white line of crowding storks stretched from one side of the heavens to the other. Mounting Africa along the Nile, they had followed the coast of Palestine and Asia Minor and entered Europe over the Bosphorus....*".

In 2023, with so much decline in wildlife, it is a cause for celebration that the numbers of egrets and now storks, are gradually increasing.

Footnote: *The inspiring story of Knepp Estate by Isabella Tree, describing return to nature on an English Farm.*



Exclusive Late News *from 'Our Local Affairs Correspondent'*

As has been well publicised for the last couple of years or so, Craven District Council will cease to exist at the end of March and it has been anticipated that North Yorkshire County Council will be our local authority, being our only layer of government between the Parish Council and the National Government. However, recent discussions have resulted in a change of heart.

Our new council, from the beginning of April, will be Lancashire County Council.

Your first reaction will probably be, "**WHAT?**", but hold on. We have a Lancashire post-code and we live nearer to Lancaster than say Knaresborough or York. According to the last census there are more Lancastrians than Yorkshiremen living in Burton. More local people work in Lancashire than in Yorkshire. The biggest local employer is the NHS, so no change there.

The bad news for those in their 60s, LCC employees must wait until age 69 for their pension. Other changes: current planning applications must be re-submitted to LCC. Good news, LCC provide a sensible public transport service, bad news, council tax is more expensive than NYCC.

We shall also notice a change in our waste collections. In future green bins will be used for garden waste, blue bins will contain two baskets: a black one for glass and a red one for paper. All the other rubbish will go into a new pale yellow bin.

As the changeover must take place on the first day of the month we shall need to keep all our waste indoors until collection day, now to be Tuesday. Good luck.



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In all the excitement over her 90th Birthday (on 5th April last year), *the Burtonian* didn't get the chance to ask June Fisher some good questions, about her life and times, but we're making up for it ,this year!

If you were born in April, why were you called 'June' ?

I hope you have some better questions than that! My Mother didn't want to call me "Doris".and insisted on June instead (but I've still got Doris as my first name, and it can be very inconvenient!).

What's your first memory?

My Brother, Jack was born when I was 3. As happened in those days, I was sent to stay, for the confinement, with my Tiler Grandparents in Sheffield. My Dad came to fetch me on the train, but it broke down at Clapham (Northern Rail didn't invent unreliable trains!). Dad ended up carrying me all the way back to Burton on his shoulders! I remember all that, and then struggling to cuddle Jack, who was 12 pounds! As well as Jack, I have a sister, Jacqueline. The Tiler Family home was at Number 4, Leeming Lane, just across the road from where I live today.

What was Burton like then?

To look at, along the High Street, not much different from now! But there were 27 businesses in the Village. We were more or less self-sufficient! Which was lucky - there were only 4 cars! Albert Edmondson had 2 American Buicks (he had the garage); Tommy Clark had a van which he used to take the eggs for sale in Leeds; and Jack Waggett had a blue lorry – for his knackers business. I remember, as a small child, being scared of the cars, with their "eyes" shining, bright, in the dark.

Do you remember anything of the War in Burton?

I couldn't forget a terrible explosion, one day! We all dived under the kitchen table, thinking the Luftwaffe had arrived. But it was just the Home Guard, who had decided to blow up the old weir (just below the Bridge).

Where did you go to School?

Richard Thornton's School, of course! And then I passed my 11+ and went to Queen Elizabeth School. I did teacher-training at Didsbury and then taught in Leeds, coming home at weekends and School holidays.

Have you enjoyed any sport?

Yes, I loved tennis and played on the Courts, here in Burton.

But then I was "talent spotted" by Bentham. And, on an 'away-match' at Cowan Bridge, I met John Fisher. He had a "Golden Flash" motor bike with a "Watsonian" side-car. I was still terrified by those



machines, but I accepted his offer of a lift to the train back to Leeds. And the next weekend, we went to Arncliffe Knot for a wonderful picnic.

Did you play any more tennis?

Not so much! I was so happy when John proposed to me and we were married on 13th October 1956. You can see how happy I was!

We purchased part of Stone Bower (the house next to the Green) – and called it “Stone Rigg”. We lived there until 1972 when we moved to my present house, Lane Head Cottage. John converted Stone Rigg to a beautiful house and, then, he did the same with Lane Head. I created the garden including its rockery which took 11 weeks! (and then someone said it would be good, when I got “rid of all the stones”!).

John was a wonderful and successful cabinet-maker but he also had time to build my dolls house which I decorated and furnished. It’s my greatest treasure!

For many years I taught at our school, firstly the secondary pupils and later as a primary teacher. Like everyone in the Village, I was devastated when it closed.

What’s been your favourite car?

Well, I’ve only had one, a Honda Jazz: it’s done very well for the 15 years since I passed my test and earned my nickname, “the Stig”!!

Was your “Big birthday” a wonderful day?

Yes! Only I did miss having John with me to celebrate. I was so sad when he passed away in 2007.

But it was wonderful that I had our three children, Mark, Jane and Simon. They had filled the house with balloons and flowers and I got so many birthday cards and good wishes! We all went and had a fabulous meal at The Highwayman, in Burrow. There were ten of us. A lovely day.

Thank You, June!



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The Burton-in-Lonsdale Pottery Strikes *Hilary Bourdillon*

Whilst researching my family history, I came across Lee Cartledge's book *'The Last Potter of Burton-in-Lonsdale'* (2021). Unlike most histories of the potteries, which focus only on pottery owners and the pots, Lee's book explores the potters and their working conditions. One of the potters mentioned is Freddie Slater who organised a strike at Waterside Potteries. Freddie is my great uncle and so I began a search to find out more about him and his trades union activities.

I am still searching for documentary evidence, of the strike Freddie is said to have organised some time in the 1920s. What I have discovered is evidence of two other campaigns to improve working conditions and wages in the potteries.

In January 1899, the workmen from the Burton-in-Lonsdale Potteries met in the Joiners' Arms Assembly Rooms. They were demanding that their working hours should be reduced by 3½ hours a week. They drew up notices to this effect and sent it *'to the masters'* informing them that unless their request was granted by Saturday, 14th January they would not resume work the following Monday morning. The article about this meeting notes that one firm had complied with the request, *'and it was expected that the others will do the same'*.

Another strike was organised in April 1915 at a *'Stone Jar and Bottle Makers, Burton-in-Lonsdale'* as a consequence of a demand for increased wages. It is likely this strike was over the war bonus of a 10% rise which had been agreed between the unions and the government to cover the increase in the cost of living.

A Conciliator, Mr. Charles Doughty, was appointed to settle the dispute and a joint meeting of employers and work people was held on May 1st. An agreement was made over wages, and work resumed on May 3rd.



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Easter Monday 10th April - 8am to 1pm	

Customer Survey Update

Thank you to everyone who has completed the 2023 customer survey so far. At the time of writing over 100 people had given their views. With respondents aged from 26 to 88, we've had a great range of villagers taking part.

Although it's too early to give a full analysis, what we have heard so far is overwhelming support for the shop and a high level of satisfaction with the areas we asked about; product availability, product range, price and customer service. Whilst on the whole we are meeting what our customers expect from a village shop, there are some emerging themes for us to consider including decor and layout, opening times and product variety

Didn't have your say? There is still time.

Go to **bit.ly/burton-village-shop-survey**,
scan the QR code or pick up a copy from the shop



Volunteer news

After many years as a dedicated volunteer including stints as Chair and Treasurer, Seb Beck stood down from the Management committee in March. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Seb for everything he has done for the shop.

The Shop depends on volunteers and such dedicated service to the Community. If you would like to be involved, by supporting this Community Asset any way, please let us know.

AGM

The Shop AGM will be held on **Wednesday 24 May at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend and members will be able to vote in the election of the Management Committee which supports Sarah and the team. Formal notice will be issued in due course but in the meantime, if you might be interested in being a member or part of the management committee, please contact the Shop where nomination papers can be obtained or email the Secretary, Maggie Bruno <davidmaggiebruno@gmail.com>

It is good to have started holding meetings regularly again at The Highwayman in Burrow (as we did before the Covid pandemic) where Club members can enjoy a drink, a meal and catch-up with fellow Rotarians. I can report once again that we have enjoyed some really good talks in the past month. Ron Nelson gave an excellent talk about the Barrow in Furness shipyard. Some of the most notable vessels built there include the Royal Navy flagship HMS Albion and the former flagships HMS Bulwark and HMS Invincible sometimes referred to as the Pride of Barrow. On 23rd February Mike Willets, of the Rotary Club of Carnforth, gave a talk about the school which he founded in Kitale, Uganda in 2005. Great things have been achieved with this project of his since then with some of the students aiming for and achieving university entrance. Duncan Hamlett and myself visited the school in 2014 and were most impressed with the opportunities and achievements we saw. On 2nd March Dr Simon Kaye and his wife Pauline gave a joint presentation about the charity they support "Children of Hope". Money raised for this charity is used to establish an education fund for young Ugandans to obtain qualifications in healthcare which ultimately will benefit their own communities. On 9th March our meeting was cancelled because of freezing weather and dangerous road conditions. That was a first! Thankfully Spring is here.

Keep well, keep safe.

Lilian.

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All Saints' Church News

Sunday Services in Easter, April and May 2023

April	2 nd	8am Holy Communion, 11am Joint service with the Methodist community
April	7 th	11 am Service of the Cross, United Benefice Service for St Oswalds and All Saints to be held at All Saints
April	9 th	Easter Sunday 11 am (Holy Communion)
April	16 th	8am Holy Communion, 11 am (Morning Prayer)
April	23 rd	11 am Holy Communion
April	30 th	11 am (Morning Prayer) followed by the APCM
May	7 th	11am Joint service with the Methodist community <i>Celebrating the Coronation, led by Rev Denis Tate</i>
May	14 th	11 am Holy Communion
May	18 th	Ascension Day – services to be arranged
May	21 st	8am Holy Communion, 11 am (Morning Prayer)
May	28 th	11 am Holy Communion

Other Services and Events in April and May

Our **Good Friday Service** will be held in All Saints' Church at 11 am on Friday 7th April. As usual the cross will be placed on Castle Hill, followed by a procession from the church.

Stay and Play, our group for pre-school children (with parent or guardian) meets on Thursdays in the Church Room from 9.30 am until about 11.30. The group will break up for Easter after the meeting on 30th March, resuming on 20th April. New families are always very welcome. There are toys and other things to entertain the children and tea, coffee and chat for the adults. For further information e-mail allsaintscw@gmail.com

Each Friday morning we normally meet at 10 am in the Church Vestry for a short simple time of **Prayers for the Parish**. Do feel free to join us for about 30 minutes.

Pancake Party on Shrove Tuesday Thanks to those who came to enjoy pancakes in the Village Hall and the many people who helped to put on the event. £150 was donated and will be sent, from the village, to The Children's Society.

Best wishes

Catherine and Christine, Church Wardens at All Saints

And a message from our reader, Dr Glyn Price

As we look forward to the Coronation of our new King, Charles III, some of our older Burton residents can look back to the last Coronation in 1953, when our late Queen Elisabeth II confirmed her intention to serve faithfully in her role as Head of State. Our new King has told us of his intention to follow in the footsteps of his mother in terms of faith and of commitment to service. His task will not be easy. We must pray that he will be given the strength to fulfil his planned obligation.

In 1953 Burton celebrated the Coronation in various ways. The BBC had started transmissions from Holme Moss less than two years earlier but few people in Burton had televisions, though these few had packed houses on the day. My part was to assist Gordon Barker, who ran the television, radio and electrical shop in Duke Street. He'd set up an aerial and several televisions in the Church Sunday School (now the Village Hall) so that other villagers could watch the Coronation. It was a great holiday with parties and events. We trust that Saturday, 6 May will be another time of joy and hope for the future.

At Easter we remember one who showed us the ultimate in loving service, giving his life for our forgiveness and blessing. Jesus was, and is, the ultimate example of perfection in his care for others. On Easter day we celebrate his resurrection. He welcomes each one of us to come to him for a new life in his blessing. May God bless you at Easter and always.

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