

The **Burtonian**

Burton in Lonsdale
Village Newsletter

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Editorial

Wasn't it wonderful that we could celebrate the Queen's Jubilee and report it in (just) the last Edition of the Burtonian - with all the pipes and bells; complete joy and excitement.

So that when she died, it was just the solitary and doleful bell, which marked her passing. And our collective sorrow.

The Queen's great achievement was to be such a unifying force for community, and nation, without the burden of Politics. I sense that even staunch republicans recognise what she was able to do, in her life and, then in her passing away.

We have been fortunate.

And we shall look forward to King Charles taking up that role for many years.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

The Punch Bowl

Our Pub has now been closed for nearly a month. It is missed.

The Burtonian has managed to speak to the new owner and we can report that he will be completing the purchase shortly.

He says he "doesn't intend to turn it into a disco" and expects to keep it as it is, but with longer opening hours and an improved food offering.

It will "definitely be open again by Christmas"!

Sounds OK

In the meantime, The Parish Council are to consider applying to register it as an asset of community value (see page 9).

"Watch this space", as they say.

Village Diary

01 Oct	Saturday		MacMillan Coffee Morning	Village Hall
01 Oct	Saturday	19:30	Film Night : DOWNTON - A NEW ERA	Village Hall
08 Oct	Saturday	09:00	PALS Book Cafe & Plant Sale	Village Hall
08 Oct	Saturday	10:00	Bull Farm Apple Juicing Day	Bull Farm, High St
08 Oct	Saturday	19:30	Nicola Mills	Village Hall
13 Oct	Thursday	19:30	Parish Council Recreation Committee	Pavilion
13 Oct	Thursday		Burton Heritage Group	
15 Oct	Saturday	14:30	Concert & Cakes	All Saints
20 Oct	Thursday	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall
22 Oct	Saturday		Dolls House Exhibition	Village Hall
10 Nov	Thursday		Parish Council Finance Committee	Village Hall
12 Nov	Saturday	14:30	Concert & Cakes	All Saints
12 Nov	Saturday	19:30	Film Night Top Gun Maverick	Village Hall
17 Nov	Thursday		Parish Council	Village Hall

BULL FARM APPLE JUICING DAY

OCTOBER 8TH 2022, 10am -
4pm

Come and get your apples
juiced!

Maximum 8 Kg of apples per person. Please bring apples washed and halved.
Bring your own bottles (plastic drinks bottles will work fine).

No apples, no problem. Juicing demonstrations and tast-
ing throughout the day. Purchase local apple juice. Plus a
Bull Farm history display.

Free event.

Bull Farm, 11 High Street, Burton in Lonsdale, LA6 3JU.

Film Club

Following our sell-out showing of **Belfast** on 1st September, we are delighted to be offering ,

- On 1st October, **Downton - A New Era**
- On 12th November **Top Gun - Maverick**

Both shows start at 7.30 pm ; refreshments available; ticket £5

Covid Vaccination Programme

The Morecambe Bay Hospital NHS Trust are planning to give the COVID 19 Booster at the Village Hall.

On Wednesday 19th October , 10am– 4pm.

Please look out for further information on notices around the Village

Dolls House Exhibition

Saturday 22nd October 2022, 10am - 4pm

Village Hall

£2 Adults free to children

Refreshments available

All proceeds to All Saints Church



C.A.T.S !

stands for **Coffee At The Shop**

each Friday Morning at 10am

We will meet weekly from 7th October.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Jill Peel

Wednesday in the Village Hall – QUIZ NIGHT – 8pm-10pm

Bring your own drinks and snacks

£1 per person covers the Hall hire and profits go straight into the Village Hall Building fund.

While we are waiting for the Punch Bowl to re-open, we are running the Quiz in the Village Hall.

Just as it was in the pub, the more people involved the better, so if you'd like to set the questions one night, please contact Ian Wardle through Facebook or the Parish Council.

Morris Dancing - *Rique Linares*

No one actually knows why it is called 'Morris' Dancing. The most common theory seems to be a corruption of the word "Moorish", ie from southern Spain.

The earliest surviving English mention of Morris Dance is dated 1448 recording the payment of 'seven shillings to Morris Dancers' by the [Goldsmiths' Company](#) in London. But by the mid-17th century, folk dances were being performed in many country parishes. And by the beginning of the 18th Century, Morris Dancing had become well established.

Until the Industrial Revolution in the 1700's the economy of this country was largely agricultural. Towns and villages were isolated from all but their near walkable neighbours. As a result, communities formed their own individual form of entertainment, which of course included music and dance. Without travel between communities, music and dances remained within their own locality. The individual styles became known as "Traditions".

By the close of the 19th century Morris Dancing was declining to a point that it would not survive for much longer. Fortunately, a saviour emerged. Cecil James Sharp was an English-born folk song collector, as well as a musician, composer and teacher. As such, he became a key leader of the folk-song revival in England.

In his twenties, Sharp, realised that, if the music and dance notation was not written down, it would not be long before it disappeared. He made it his lifelong task to travel the country, recording the many different traditions. Once written down, those dances and their music could travel, therefore allowing the spread of Morris. Today, at a typical dance Festival there can be as many as sixty sides assembled, from all over the country, each featuring their own Traditions.

I joined, the Kendal based, "Crook Morris " in 1995, having watched them dance at The Pheasant Inn, Casterton, one warm summer evening. That meeting, quite literally, changed my future life. I love it! – with bells on!

Crook Morris dance, mainly, Cotswold Tradition, their dances coming from the various villages in Oxfordshire, Warwickshire and Gloucestershire: Headington, Addabury, Fieldtown, Bledington, Eynsham, and others. We are a mixed side ranging in age from 14 to 88! We practice in Kendal on each Monday evening, between October and March. We begin our dancing, in public in the Spring, and carry on through Summer and Autumn. We will typically travel to about three Festivals per year, our first being, Upton-upon-Severn in Worcestershire, at the beginning of May.

If you would like to give Morris a try, Google "Crook Morris", also YouTube, and if you like what you see, simply come along or speak with Rique or Anne. You will be very welcome.

CONCERT & CAKES



Saturday 15th October - 2.30 – 4.30pm – All Saints Church

We are delighted to be presenting Rosamund Brass at the next Concert&Cakes in October. This ensemble wowed the audience and won joint first prize at the annual Royal Northern College of Music Chamber Music competition in June. We've got the other joint first prize winners coming in February!

If you've not been before, this is a free concert at the Church and there are no tickets, but we do ask for donations at the end, which is how we pay for the church and the performers to come. You will get an hour of amazing music (brass instruments always sound fabulous in the church) and then a choice of delicious home-made cakes, tea and coffee in the church afterwards with a chance to chat to the musicians. No better way to spend a Saturday afternoon, all welcome.

If you'd like to help on the day, please see Cathy Rowland or email concertandcakes@outlook.com

Saturday 12th November 2022

Fresh from an intensive training programme at the Lake District Summer Music Festival, we are delighted to be welcoming the Heartwood String Quartet, who are a multi-national ensemble currently in their third undergraduate year at the RNCM. We'll have leaflets and posters ready to go after the 15th October concert.

Christine, Steve and Cathy

concertandcakes@outlook.com

Burton in Lonsdale Village Hall - Ruth Gill (Secretary)

Extracts from 'Richard Thornton's Endowments Sesquicentennial Year at Burton in Lonsdale' by kind permission of Professor C.T.J Dodson.

The year 2004 was the 150th anniversary of the building of Burton in Lonsdale Village Hall. The Hall was converted in 1854 from a tithe barn to a Sunday School following a public appeal in 1853 for subscriptions, which duly came from local property owners. Principal among the benefactors was Richard Thornton [1776-1865], who the same year endowed Burton's Voluntary Aided Primary School. The Village Hall originally was used not only as a Sunday School, but also as a day school for those under 6 years old who were too young for normal school. It continued as the Infants Department of Richard Thornton's School until about 1900 and as a Sunday School until the Second World War, since when it has served as a Community Centre.

The Future.

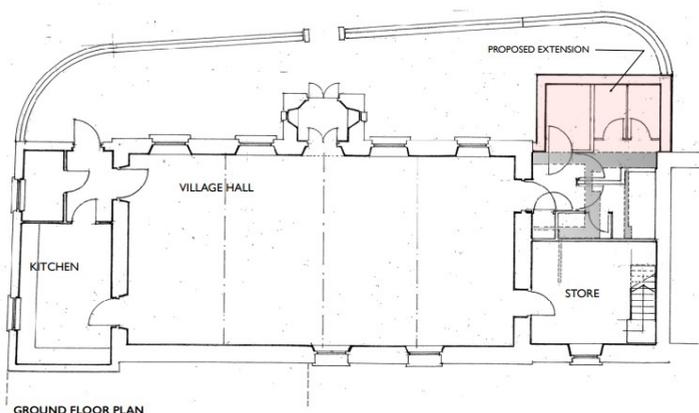
For over 50 years the Village Hall has been maintained by a Committee of Trustees who have strived to maintain the building while keeping its character as a vital part of the history of our village.

The damp at the kitchen end of the building (which became far worse during the Covid lockdowns) has now been sorted out. We've installed a new kitchen along with a serving hatch.

The toilet facilities and heating system were upgraded in 2004, using hall funds and voluntary labour, wherever possible. But the toilet installation is now tired and difficult to maintain, so we are delighted to report that planning permission has been granted to alter and upgrade the toilet and storage facilities.

We need to express a massive 'thank you' to architect Chris Phillips for his expertise and time over the last three years. Without his support, we would never have got there. Regarding the work that needs doing, **if you are a local builder and you would like to quote for the work, please get in touch.**

We have a great deal of work ahead of us including raising funds and applying for grants. At the end of this programme we will have a rejuvenated Community building that we can all enjoy and be proud of.



Please support us in this exciting development
Details can be found on the notice board outside the Village Hall

Lonsdale Wheelers Cycling Club

Our small & friendly club have an informal ride calendar with 3 active groups: weekday rides for the retired or flexible workers; the recreation group for shorter rides and a third group who generally aim for longer rides. Rides are organised entirely on WhatsApp groups so to find out more please make initial contact with our Club Secretary Tim Rollinson via timrollinson@icloud.com or via Facebook & Twitter. www.lonsdalewheelers.weebly.com

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From the Chair of your Parish Council - *Peter Thompson*

The Parish Council meeting scheduled for 15 September, sadly, did not take place. Following the death of Queen Elizabeth II, the Parish Council, alongside all other public bodies adhered to national protocol which precludes the publishing of an agenda during a period of national mourning. Aside from following the rules, it felt right to break from our business as a mark of respect to our Late Monarch.

We have pencilled in an extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council for 6 October to cover two urgent issues. The first issue is that of how we manage two areas of Japanese knotweed on the riverbank upstream from the United Utilities site. We have sought expert advice and must agree a way forward in the early part of October if we are to begin treatment during autumn. I have learned a lot about this invasive weed following various meetings with experts. In particular, I discovered that the seeds are not fertile, so the plant can only spread by the movement of pieces of root. If it remains undisturbed, it will grow into an ever increasing clump. A river bank location adds to the risk of spread so it is important that the Parish Council takes the right action and does so promptly.

Our second issue is to decide how the Parish Council should react to the recent closure of the Punch Bowl. The Parish Council sees the Punch Bowl as an essential part of village life, a view which I believe is shared by village as a whole. We are looking to use a piece of legislation which will identify our village pub as an Asset of Community Value. In this way we can support a future licensee and go some way towards protecting the pub from a change of use. Further information about AVCs can be found within 'The Assets of Community Value (England) Regulations 2012'. It is the intention of the Parish Council to pass a resolution to nominate the Punch Bowl as an Asset of Community Value. We will keep you informed of progress.

At the time of writing, these two issues will be the only items on the agenda for the proposed extraordinary meeting. All other items will be carried forward to our regular meeting scheduled for 20 October.

At our last Parish Council meeting in July, we identified public concerns around road safety in the village. Many of you will have seen that we have installed the speed sign at the western village entrance. Since we set up the sign, the impact of B4RN work has probably had a greater impact on speed! Once the roadworks are finished, we will use information gleaned from the VAS unit to support our case for any measures to improve road safety. I also undertook to seek a meeting with North Yorkshire Highways. This meeting is pencilled in for the end of September. We aim to discuss the consequences of the volume and speed of traffic, parking along the High Street and signage within and around the perimeter of the village. We are also keen to learn from action being taken by other communities. As I mentioned above, the next full Parish Council meeting is scheduled for 20 October at 7.30 in the village hall. An agenda will be available on the Parish Council Notice Board outside of the Village Hall, as well as on the Parish Council section of the village website.

Bowled over with their success! - Steve Vose

As Burton's Bowling Season draws to an end, a review of its success for the Club is in order .

The Kendal League team won the Division 4 (of 6) title by a clear 23 points winning a remarkable 18 from 20 games meaning that they have been promoted in each of the seasons since they joined the Leagues. Ably captained by Shaun Wilson the team consisted of a regular 10 players, 6 of whom finished in the top 15 of the league merit table which consisted of over 170 players.

The Westmorland Seniors Bowling League team played in Division 3 (of 5) and, after a slow start to the season, finished in a creditable 9th place following impressive wins over the eventual winners of the division Milnthorpe A, Levens B, Springfield B and Burneside B. Once again the side was well captained by John Mason with a special mention going to John Wood who made himself available for both Leagues mentioned, sometimes at short notice.

The South Lakeland Rural Bowling League was originally a league formulated to encourage new players to the game and Burton, under the excellent captaincy of Val Thompson, finished 3rd this year. Special mention must go to Gavin Honnor, Dave Kenrick and Julian Leader who have performed superbly in their first full season. The team also won the David Skidmore knockout competition for the first time beating Burneside 7-2 in the final.

Several enjoyable local friendlies were held on Saturday afternoons throughout the season expertly organised by Jane Burns.

The Club Singles title was won this year by Shaun Wilson whilst the Doubles winners were Shaun Wilson and Lee Marshall.

The Club would like to thank all those who marked for the teams and provided refreshments on match nights whilst special thanks go to all the villagers who donated various items for the Jumble Sale at Ingleton, an income stream vital to the club. Please consider giving the game a try next season, more information to follow before Easter.



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GARDEN WITH GUNTHER

As we say farewell to the lovely summer sunshine our thoughts, inevitably, turn towards winter proofing our gardens to ensure that when Spring arrives we hit the ground running (sorry for the pun!). Hopefully some of the advice given below will give you a few pointers to help achieve this.



OCTOBER -

Lift dahlia tubers to store dry over the winter months. Remove bulbs and dying back foliage prior to storing them.

If summer containers are past their best, re-plant them with fresh winter bedding. Also this is a good month to start planting spring bulbs such as daffodils and tulips.

Now is a good time to move and re-position shrubs and small trees and also to clear up fallen leaves from roses to prevent fungal disease such as blackspot over-wintering.

After weeding and tidying the borders, mulch with bark chips or well rotted compost to insulate plant roots for winter and keep weed growth in check.

Divide congested clumps of rhubarb by digging up and splitting into several pieces with a spade and re-plant the healthiest crowns.

Wrap grease bands around the trunks of apple trees to trap winter moth females whose caterpillars can shred the spring blossom.

If your greenhouse is fairly empty, now is a good time to clean and sterilise it with disinfectant. Also clear away fallen leaves from the lawn to allow maximum light to the grass. Keep it looking neat and tidy by continuing to trim the edges.

NOVEMBER-

Early this month you can continue to plant spring flowering bulbs for a great start to next year's display.

Place orders for bare root roses now as they can be planted any time from now until March.

Also you can prune pear and apple trees this month and any time before mid- February.

Tidy up fallen leaves and debris that can provide a hiding place for slugs and snails and also remove any of this material from ponds.

Empty and clean out water butts and do not allow them to be full of rainwater as a hard winter frost can expand the water resulting possibly in the container cracking and leaking.

Also disconnect hosepipes and put away.

Protect any slightly tender plants growing in an exposed location with some horticultural fleece if frosts are in the forecast.

Cut down canes of autumn fruiting raspberries right back to ground level. Clean your lawn mower before putting it away for winter and if it is a petrol machine, drain off the fuel.

HAPPY GARDENING – GUNTHER

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Italian Style Tomato and Bean Soup - *Alessandra Toft*

This is a delicious hearty soup which is very easy to make, and cooked all in one pot, so minimal washing up! It is made with wholesome ingredients, it's nutritious, and great for vegetarians, and is very economical to make.

However the very best thing is that all the ingredients can be bought from your local village shop here in Burton. So, no need to call in to the supermarket on the way home from work, or make a special trip out in the car to go to the shops. So, it's quick and easy for you to pop out and buy the ingredients, and of course it supports the village shop, so a win-win situation.

It's a great recipe to have in your repertoire, because it's the kind of recipe you can very easily make after a busy day... those kind of days when you feel too tired to cook, but you still want to eat something nutritious and tasty and not spend hours in the kitchen, well this is just the perfect recipe for this scenario.

I have made a video for you to watch, of how to make this soup. If you would like to go and see this and hear of variations that you can do, then go to <http://www.burtonshop.co.uk/links> and you will find the video link on that page.

If you have any issues locating the link, feel free to email me at alessandraoft@aol.com and I'll be happy to help.

Finally I would very much love to hear from you, just email me and let me know what you thought about the recipe, did you enjoy it, how easy did you find it to make and whether you came across any difficulties, or just simply any thoughts that you would like to share with me.

Happy Cooking! Alessandra Toft

Ingredients

- 2.5 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 onion approx 180g
- 2 celery sticks approx 150g
- 1/4 teaspoon sea salt
- 2 garlic cloves crushed approx 20g
- 1 tablespoon tomato puree
- 400g can chopped tomatoes
- 400g Suma barlotti beans- save the bean water
- 150g Suma pearl barley
- 1 Knorr vegetable stock pot
- 700mls water
- 1 to 1.5 teaspoons sea salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons pesto
- Fresh chopped parsley approx 15g to 20g

Optional to serve Parmigiano or Grana Padano cheese, extra virgin olive oil

Method

Chop the onion and celery into fine small diced pieces.

Heat up the two and a half tablespoons of olive oil in a good heavy bottom pan.

Add the onion and celery and 1/4 teaspoon of the salt and fry gently on a low heat for 15 to 20 minutes until they have softened. Make sure to stir every few minutes to make sure they don't stick to the pan, or are browning. Add a splash of water if the onions and celery are sticking to the bottom of the pan.

Once the onions and celery have softened add the crushed garlic to the pan and cook for a further two minutes whilst stirring.

Add all the rest of the ingredients except for the pesto and parsley.

Note when draining the beans, save the bean water and use this to make up the 700 mls water.

At this point don't panic and think that you have added too much liquid! It will thicken as the pearl barley cooks.

Now semi-cover the pan, and simmer gently, keep an eye on the pan and stir from time to time. It's important that you let it simmer gently and slowly.

After 30 minutes the pearl barley should have softened and be cooked, and the soup will have thickened substantially.

Add the chopped parsley and pesto and stir well. Leave to stand for five minutes before serving.

THE VILLAGE SHOP.

A big Thank you to everyone who continues to support the shop.

We are working hard to keep our prices as competitive as possible, during these difficult times.

We have regular deliveries from many local suppliers, including Dales, Bowland, Kittridding, Slacks, Diggles and Cornvale, so please do let us know if you require any special orders.

We will soon have all our Christmas cards on display, along with all our greetings cards, so why not pop in.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

News from (one of) the Schools

September at Leck St Peter's Primary School

The death of our Queen

In school we were so sad to hear about the Queen's death. We paid our respects by making a book of condolence. Everyone wrote a hand-written message to King Charles to say how sad we are about the Queen. We also had a special assembly about the Queens family and how other people pay their respects.

School sport this term

This term in PE we are getting coached by Morecambe Football Club. We have been working on our skills that include passing and dribbling. We will be doing different skills each week making us better football players. We have been playing games that involve passing and dribbling. The coaches from Morecambe are kind and help us progress.

Children in years 3, 4 and 5 do swimming lessons on Thursday afternoon. We do varied strokes and learn new tips of how we can become good swimmers, the teachers are swimming experts and are positive about our skills.

Making music

We have a new after school music club which is for any ages. We play different instruments in each session. It is really fun and definitely loud. This week we played the drums. We're sure the whole of Leck could hear us!

Walk to school

On the 2nd Tuesday of every month, one of our teachers (Mrs Mather) walks to school with most of the school children, even the reception children. We set off all together from the car park behind Cowan Bridge Stores. If you walk to school four times in a month you get a badge. It's really fun walking to school with your friends and it is great for the environment and our fitness too!

Journalists *Sophia Franklin (Events Reporter)*
 Gracie Gidmintis Dixon (Events Reporter)
 Finlay Thompson (Sports Reporter)
 Joshua Lawson (Sports Reporter)



The Rotary Club of Lunesdale *Lilian Barton*

At every Rotary meeting the Club President invites members to raise their glass for a loyal toast to HM the Queen. That must now change and the toast will be HM the King. Rotary Clubs around the world (Rotary is a global organisation) like the rest of our nation and indeed people in countries around the world were saddened to learn of the death of the Queen.

Last Rotary Year and this year the Club Presidents have supported as their charity NW Cancer Research. On the 18th September it was a pleasure to have as our speaker Charlotte Elwood of that charity. Charlotte brought members up to date with work being carried out by NWCR and was delighted to be presented with a cheque for £1,500 to help the Research continue. It is customary, when a new member has attended a few meetings, that they are invited to give a talk to club members about what they have done during their working life. Ken Kay our latest recruit was happy to do so on 25th August. During lockdown clubs were able to meet online using the Zoom facility. Zoom continues to have its uses when other Clubs issue invitations to join in their meetings. It is especially interesting to join in with clubs in other countries often for special events eg conferences, or to hear a notable speaker. Some Club members are looking forward to a visit to the Leyland Commercial Vehicle Museum which demonstrates the variety we enjoy in Rotary activities.

If you think you would like to know more about what this global organisation, and in particular your local Rotary Club is about, with a view to possibly becoming a member and making some new friends then please do give us a call on 015242 73166. Come and join us for a meeting at The Highwayman where we meet weekly on Thursdays, enjoy a meal, often a speaker or maybe an activity.

Safari Supper- Saturday 3rd December

What is it?

A fabulous fun night in the village.

A three course meal with each course being made and served in a different house by different people. So it involves moving around the village and eating each course with different people. At the end everyone will meet up for the coffee course at a secret location.

Who can take part? Anyone in pairs, it doesn't have to be couples, it could be 2 friends, 2 relatives. It is better if you live in walking (or cycling) distance of the village or "borrow" someone's house !

Having organised this event several times where I have lived before, I guarantee it will be enjoyable.

As it will be almost Christmas ☺, fancy dress is optional.

Cost £10 per pair to go to the Village Hall Fund

We need a minimum of 21 couples to make it work

Please let me know if you are interested on 07772960807 or

teedeetee62@yahoo.co.uk

Teena Douglass Taylor

Settle Photographic Group
held their 14th Annual Exhibition over the Bank Holiday weekend
in Clapham Village Hall, after a two year break due to Covid.
These are two exhibits by John Bentley



Clapdale



Winter Afternoon in Whitby



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Burton Methodist Church *David Brown.*

It is now over five years since the Methodist Church Council decided that the chapel was too large for its current and foreseeable needs, and so the lengthy process was started to obtain planning permission and sell the main part of the 1871 building. The intention was to use the proceeds of sale to finance a redevelopment of the schoolroom into a multi-use space, for midweek events such as coffee mornings as well as hosting the usual Sunday services.

When the sale was completed in the summer of last year, (having been inevitably delayed by the pandemic) it became apparent that the very broad cost estimates for schoolroom renovation compared with the demographic of the chapel membership raised hard questions about the viability of the original plan. It was therefore with some sadness that the decision has been taken that permission to sell the schoolroom part of the premises, will also be sought .

We Methodists are very grateful to our friends at All Saints' for their hospitality in allowing us the use of the Parish Room for our services, and we will seek to develop stronger links with them as time goes by. We already join together once a month for a united service as well as "specials" – Harvest, Remembrance and the carol service.

Many of you will remember with fondness the social events which took place in the old Sunday School such as the New Year pensioners' party, Harvest Suppers, quizzes and the regular Friday coffee mornings. It is sad that these will be no more, but memories are for ever, and the future is a new adventure!

Methodist Service Times at All Saints Church

9.30 am on 16th, 23rd, 30th October, 20th and 27th November.

11.00 am on 2nd October, 6th and 13th November (Remembrance Sunday)

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From Maggie Bruno

Dear Editors

Ian MacDonald

I was devastated by the tragic helicopter accident on 20 June 2022 in which Ian Macdonald and Admarsu Birhan Tefera lost their lives. I knew Ian as an unassuming and generous person. We would chat in the shop kitchen while I made him a 'bacon buttie' and I persuaded him to stand for nomination to the shop Management Committee. He served on the Board of Directors from May 2018, till May 2022 as a highly valued member, sharing his expertise and taking a lead in plans for the shop refurbishment.

Ian was also generous in supporting refugees. He helped a young Syrian refugee who was struggling to get work - training and employing him in his company Base 3 Systems Ltd. Ian's generosity continued to the 2 Ukrainian families he was hosting when he died.

Ian was generous too, with his helicopter, having taken me and David, as well as others, on wonderful flights. He was often to be found in the mornings outside the village shop with his coffee, chatting. I send my condolences to his family and friends, to the family of Admarsu – and all who mourn in this darkness. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Maggie Bruno

From Michael Lavelle

Dear Editors

Our Constitutional Monarchy

During the last few weeks much has been said and written about the monarchy. I went to the cinema on the evening that the Queen died. The performance was a Shakespeare play being streamed live from the National Theatre. I heard the news of Her Majesty's death on the radio at 6.30pm. The performance was scheduled to start at 7.00pm. At a few minutes after seven a member of the National Theatres Management came on screen to announce the news and said there would be a minute's silence followed by the playing of the National Anthem. After the silence, the familiar drum roll beginning the National Anthem was heard and I rose to my feet. As I was fairly near the front of the theatre I cannot be sure how many other people stood for the anthem but from what I could see and what I was subsequently told, only about 75% of the audience stood. I wonder why.

Prior to, and during, our recent Platinum Jubilee celebrations I was surprised how many people, either tacitly or explicitly, professed to be republicans, so against the monarchy. Now it seems reasonable to object to a system whereby heredity alone determines who will be our head of state, even though it has served us well for a thousand years. However, I have not read, nor heard of, an alternative system for appointing a head of state. Why would we want to change something until we can find something better.

In our system the incoming head of state will have had years of training and coaching for the job: Queen Elizabeth more than 20 years. King Charles over 70 years and Prince William 40 years to date. Our head of state is politically neutral. Once he or she accedes, they will have the counsel of experienced civil servants, the military and even some MPs to fall back on.

Now I wonder if there is another country in the world, outside the Commonwealth, where the locals can honestly say, 'It's OK, but it's not as good as our system'

The issue with anti-monarchists is that they seem to confuse our *constitutional* monarchy with the Royal Family. The monarchy is an institution, the Royal Family is a collection of people. As in most families the members will have different strengths and weaknesses.

So, unless you can think of something better as the saying goes, 'if it ain't broke, don't fix it'.

Michael Lavelle



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We have taken peoples' comments on board and propose to hold the show again next year, on the second Saturday in September in the village hall. More categories will be added, and these will include home-made preserves, home baking and bread, cut garden flowers, vegetables, indoor plants, art, and photographs. Childrens' categories will include painted stones, miniature gardens, pictures, flowers, tray bakes and imaginary animals using fruit, vegetables, nuts & seeds! A show schedule will be available early in the new year so you all have plenty of time to plan your exhibits! If you would like to be involved in any way please e-mail Christine on christinewhitd@btinternet.com Thank you.

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The Heritage Group put on an excellent display of archive material relating to Burton-in-Lonsdale & District Horticultural Society.



Notes from an Unintended Naturalist

September 2022

As a child in the 1960s I remember sitting in the back of our cloth topped Austin 7. When it rained, the roof leaked, drops trickling down my neck! I remember driving home after a hot summer's day in August. My father stopped to fill the radiator. I got out to watch. The radiator grill was covered with dozens of baked dragonflies. I was so sad to see so many dead creatures. Some of their forms were still perfect. I took just one immaculate specimen and put it, carefully, in a little box, to look at later.

Now, after all those decades, to see just one dragonfly or two skimming above my pond or resting on a reedstem is a rare joy. And occasionally the ethereal blue abdomen of the prosaically-named *Broad-Bodied Chaser* will hover over the flag iris stems. Then circling, at speed, in wide loops around the pond, over and over again, declaring its territory, it will alight on the same or another stem. Several times, over the hot days this August, I watched it perform, with its beautiful, powder-blue abdomen, much broader than the slender *Damselflies*.

Over September I've had good sightings of butterflies *Red Admirals*, *Tortoiseshells*, *Painted Ladies*, and glorious *Peacocks* with the "eye" markings. But the *Orange-tips* that I hoped to see, earlier in the season feeding on *Linaria* and *Honesty*, have been absent.

When I first moved to the Northwest in 1984, I camped, briefly, on the beach in Bardsey near Ulverston. Near my small tent, was a patch of nettles and birds foot trefoil, growing on the shingle. I could count seventeen *Common Blue* butterflies. Just hatched, drying out in the breeze, the folded wings, amber to orange, studded with small, silver and black, spots. When opened out, the males showed their upper wings, watercolour pale blue, going to violet. Pure beauty. My old reference book said they were one of Britain's most common. "Common Blue". Not so common now. I went back to Bardsey beach earlier this season, but saw none. However, on a recent holiday, on the Essex Coast, I did see lots of moths. Meeting up with old friends, one of whom is a really knowledgeable naturalist, I learnt to recognise new species of moth. They have a bad press, from clothes moths, (the one species attracted to natural fibre, and real pests in the home). But, in the evenings on the Essex Marshes, there are beautiful, harmless and wonderful insects, like the *Red Underwing* and the huge *Convolvulus Hawk Moth*. The *Red Underwing* has dramatic crimson and black bands on the scalloped margins which are fringed



creamy white. When the wings are folded, and the red underwings are hidden, the moths, in their daytime hiding places (under loose bark or wood crevices), are quite camouflaged.

The wild stretch of Essex Coastline recalled Dickens' Great Expectations character, Young Pip, meeting with the escaped convict, Magwitch. But wild as it still is, there weren't any convicts. But there was a lot of birdlife. On my early morning walks, there were whimbrel (smaller and more delicate than curlew) oystercatchers, dunlin, some egrets and other waders.

One morning before breakfast, walking along the sea wall where the mud flats were patterned with deep cracks in the sun, I was watching the waders picking their way along the water's edge for morsels. I looked up to see a full semi-circle of rainbow ahead. The "edge" of the rainbow touched into the sea whilst the other end of the arc, illuminated a patch of ploughed farmland.

The sun was still out, but suddenly there were a few spots of rain and, in another couple of steps, it was full-on, a deluge. I turned back, it stopped, and I was dry. I had to check out this sudden "wall" of rain and turned again towards the rainbow. In a few more steps, I would have been drenched. So I turned tail, back to dry warmth. It was a phenomenon I had never experienced. A lovely moment.

I marvelled at it, as I walked back in the balmy breeze, retracing my steps along the sea wall, past sandy mounds where badgers burrowed. *Yellow fleabane*, *salt marsh samphire* and *mallow* were just some of the lovely flowers fringing the path. On one plant, a profusion of tiny, pretty snails hung on to the stem, so they too seemed like small flowers.

Down the bank of the sea wall. I turned to pass plump blackberry-laden brambles and, then back in the camp area, the ripest large figs I have ever seen. I picked one fruit, juice-laden which would otherwise have fallen.

Stay & Play.

Our village group for families with pre-school age children meets back in the church room at All Saints on Thursdays from 9.30 to 11.30am. Look out for posters up in the village.

Now Denis & Pauline have retired, we need some more volunteers to help who are willing to apply for a DBS certificate. If you think you would like to get involved with our happy little group, please speak to Christine Whitfield or leave a message on 015242 64875 or in the shop.

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I recently decided I would have to give the new bus service a try, so spent a considerable amount of time standing outside the Multimedia shop looking at the timetable! I then caught the 10.09 bus to High Bentham to attend a Doctors' appointment. This bus takes you from the village to Low Bentham where folk can board at the Sundial, and then on to High Bentham where you can get off near the lane to the surgery. I had time to spend a delightful hour in the warmth of the Black Pig cafe (before standing at the bus stop on the opposite side of the road). The bus that leaves Burton at 12.09 gets to that stop about 12.15, and goes back to Low Bentham and then back to Burton! An interesting route but it works.

Christine Whitfield

All Saints' Church News

Sunday Services in October and November

October	2nd	8 am (Holy Communion) and 11 am Joint Service with the Methodist Congregation
October	9th	11 am (Holy Communion)
October	16th	8 am (Holy Communion), 11 am (Morning Worship)
October	23rd	11 am (Holy Communion) with baptism
October	30th	11am (Morning Worship)
November	6th	8 am (Holy Communion) and 11 am Joint Service with the Methodist Congregation
November	13th	10.50 am Village Service of Remembrance
November	20th	8 am (Holy Communion) and 11 am (Morning Worship)
November	27th	11 am Advent Sunday (Holy Communion)

Other Services and Events in October and November

Advent Fair 26th November in Burton Village Hall; 10.30 – 12 noon

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. There will be a half-term break on 27th October. 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 the churchwardens at 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.

Remembrance Sunday The congregation will assemble on the village green outside the church at 10.50 am. Light refreshments will be available after the service.

Summer Fair Thank you to all who supported the Summer Fair on 30 July, £600 was raised towards the repair and maintenance costs of All Saints spire and roof. We have been asked by members of the village when Rev Denis will be replaced. There is no news on that as the Diocese wish to replace the Rev Anne Russell in Bentham first. Her post is being advertised at present.

Best wishes

Catherine and Christine, Church Wardens at All Saints

And from our new Worship Leader, Cathy Rowland...

As I write, it is less than three days since the seismic moment when we all learnt of the death of our much cherished Queen. I have listened with emotion and interest to the cornucopia of tributes that have poured in for her from all quarters. Our new Prime minister chose to speak of her as 'the rock on which modern Britain is built'. Whilst the Queen movingly dubbed her late husband Philip, her 'rock,' she also, in those solemn moments of her annual Christmas message, frequently spoke of her own, deep belief in God. God was, for her, the foundational Rock and source of strength on which she had based her whole life.

So, who is this God to whom, even though she was the Monarch, she chose to bow the knee? Guided by the Bible and the witness of so many down the centuries as well as of people alive today, this God is experienced firstly as an all-embracing, truth-filled, ever-just Parent. Then, through the divine becoming human in the person of Jesus Christ, God heals and restores our relationship with this loving Parent. The enigmatic third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit, lets us experience the mysteriously beautiful energy and deep-flowing wisdom of this God of Love, intimately infusing (if we can but allow it) each moment of our daily lives. It is this Holy Spirit too, who gives us the occasional transcendent glimpse of the promised, peace-filled 'Glory beyond' and a profound, inner conviction that 'the best is yet to be'!

From her earliest years our late Queen consciously chose to 'build her house upon this rock' (Matthew 7 v.24-27) and we have all benefited beyond words from that courageous and conscious choice of hers, made so many years ago. In the words of the Archbishop of Canterbury: ' May she now 'rest in peace and rise in Glory!' Thank you Ma'am! From the bottom of our hearts, we say thank you!

Boon Days 7-8 October. After the successful clearing of the Church grounds in the early summer, we need to prepare the grounds for winter. After the huge effort made earlier this year we do not expect the task to be large, but would still appeal for help. Can you help us on that weekend?

The annual Village Service of Remembrance will be held on Sunday 13th November. All serving and ex Service Personnel, Police, Fire, Ambulance and other supporting services are invited to take part in the service. If you are willing to take a role in the service – please contact the church wardens on allsaintscw@gmail.com – we would love to see you.



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