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Embracing a New Future Together ...

For many of us, the coming weeks will involve a new start. Children from Bishop Wilson School and other local



primaries will begin their secondary education. Others will go off to university for the first time or begin a final year leading to major choices. Older residents may move into smaller homes, some possibly into residential care. New families will relocate into Puddington, Burton and Shotwick – and as for myself and my wife Sue, we will move to one of the new homes at Burton Manor. That is because, in October, I am to become your new Vicar, whilst Sue will be licensed alongside me as a Lay Reader.

This comes as a very welcome but unexpected new start for us. We had been happily settled in our own home in the Cotswolds and then sensed God's call to a new ministry. It means excitement, upheaval, adventure and new communities to get to know. We are very much looking forward to coming alongside the fellowships of St Nicholas' Burton and St Michael's Shotwick. However, it is also really important to us to share in the life of the wider community. Your welcome will help us all embrace a new future together.

I grew up in Heswall and became a follower of Jesus Christ while I lived there. This proved to be the most transformative decision of my entire life. Now, with Sue, I look forward to the joy and challenge of a new start in a beautiful place.

In the next edition we will tell you a little more about ourselves!

John and Sue

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As we await the arrival of a New Vicar ...

A Parishioner provides a reflection on people's hopes and expectations, our sense of community and the need to use our time wisely!





In 1961 President John F Kennedy was inaugurated as the 35th President of the United States. It was a time of great tension between the USA and communist Russia and its alliance with Cuba. Americans felt threatened and by electing a new president they had expectation of better security and better things to come.



In his inaugural address to the people on TV and those gathered around the Capitol building in Washington DC, he spoke the famous words 'Ask not what your country can do for you - ask what you comfort in times of crisis and a point of can do for your country'.

In other words, if you expect to benefit personally, in the time that you are on this earth, you yourself need to be prepared to put something back into society.

To achieve this we obviously have to offer some of our own time and resources, but time is the one thing that is not renewable. Within our own local community we have examples of people who have chosen to make a positive contribution to mankind by choosing to use their time to 'put something back in', whether it be running a charity for underprivileged people abroad, providing front-line healthcare teaching on the African continent, working in local food banks, volunteering to provide meals for the less fortunate within our own local area or being involved in an environmental project. In some instances the motivation to do this stems from an individual's personal Christian commitment to serve Christ. In other instances the motivation stems from someone's fundamental desire to serve mankind. In both instances it's all about being prepared to give something of yourself for the benefit of others.

But what part should the church play? For some the church may not be relevant, but for many the church provides an important role in enabling them to practise their faith. It offers a place of solace, a place of contact for those seeking to understand.

If we look around our local community we see much evidence of the church and the local population being prepared to work together hand-in-hand to help others.

Recent events, organised by local people, have successfully raised funds and resources for the people of **Ukraine**, **Wirral Foodbank** and for **Charles Thompson's Mission**, as well as for a number of other causes. All these activities have been a focus by local people on the needs of others.

And, there continues to be scope for people to work together for the common good. Society doesn't get everything right, far from it, but if there is something we don't like, possibly at work, in church or in our villages - maybe the answer is to become involved, to do something ourselves in order to help bring about change.

Our local communities will soon have the opportunity to welcome into their midst a new Vicar, Revd John Coyne who, along with his wife Sue, will become part of village life. They will live in a house in Burton, they'll walk their dog along the lanes and byeways and in the woods and they will undoubtedly want to get to know everyone. By the time John and Sue Coyne arrive the parishes of Burton and Shotwick will have been without a priest for almost twelve months and it's inevitable that people will be waiting - some in great expectation - to see what the new Vicar is like and what he'll bring!

Fundamentally, we have all been given resources, talents and abilities and it's up to us to decide how to use them in the



time that we have, for the greater good.

Within Burton, Puddington and Shotwick the church and the local community are often as one. Potentially, we all have something to contribute for the benefit of others and towards those in society who are less fortunate Some of us have a greater ability to contribute than others, but we can all do something towards the greater good, even if we think our contribution might be insignificant or, for some reason, less worthy.

As we await the arrival of our new Vicar and wonder what he might do for us and our community, reflecting of the words of John F Kennedy, we need to ask ourselves:

'what can I do for my local community ... or for my church ... and for others'

Christians believe that God walks beside us and helps us on every step of life's journey. Even if we judge ourselves harshly, remember that God never does. Time is precious, so don't wait in expectation, make sure we use it wisely.

Amen



CHURCH SERVICES

August

- Wednesday 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 7 Eight Sunday after Trinity 10:00 am Family Worship 6:30 pm Evensong
- 10 Wednesday 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 14 Ninth Sunday after Trinity 10:00 am Morning Worship
- 17 Wednesday 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 21 Tenth Sunday after Trinity 8:45 am Holy Communion (*Traditional Service*) 10:00 am Family Communion
- 24 Wednesday 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 28 Eleventh Sunday after Trinity 10:00 am Morning Worship
- 31 Wednesday 10:15 am Holy Communion



September



- Twelfth Sunday after Trinity 10:00 am Family Worship 6:30 pm Evensong
- 7 Wednesday 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 11 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity 10:00 am Morning Worship
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October



- 2 Harvest Sunday Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity 10:00 am Harvest Festival & Family Worship
 - 6:30 pm Evensong
- 5 Wednesday 10:15 am Holy Communion



Harvest Supper Charity Evening

Gladstone Village Hall, Burton Saturday 1 October 7:00pm

Great Food & Entertainment

Delicious Buffet Supper

Cold Meats – Quiches – Variety of Cheeses – Freshly Prepared Salads Vegetarian & Vegan Dishes – Fruit & Pickles – Crusty Bread Apple Pie & Cream

Bring Your Own Wine & Beer

Burton Reads Presents

A One Act Comedy

A Staged Reading Of

The Importance of Peaches'

by Award-Winning Writer Tony Domaille

By arrangement with Lazy Bee Scripts

"The Southbury Players Committee is meeting to discuss the group's poor record of success.

Members are looking for a big idea to revive the group's fortunes, but when all

seems lost, salvation comes from an unexpected source"

Tickets Including Supper & Play £15

(tickets available for this event are strictly limited)

Pay by Cash, Cheque or Online - Contact Linda Jones 0151 336 5017 or reserve via email to burtonchurchcomms @btinternet.com



Sunday 2 October

Harvest Festival Service

St Nicholas' Church 10:00am

Harvest Hymns, Prayers & Readings







A Point of View ...

As a regular walker and resident of Burton Village I was enchanted to see a kaleidoscope of butterflies in the eastern part of the churchyard one day in June. Since I don't recall seeing so many there before, I think that the no-mow policy in this part of the churchyard is paying dividends.

As a child I remember butterflies as an integral part of summer. They were everywhere despite their obvious delicacy. A wonder indeed.

I see them only rarely these days and then mostly around favourite plants like buddleia. So, to see so many in the churchyard was very special. So keep up the good work.

The eastern and northern parts of the churchyard do not look untidy - they look natural. It's right that the area around the more recent graves to the south and west of the churchyard is kept more accessible for people, but allowing the pre-20th century areas to return to meadow and wildflowers is both inspired and inspiring



St Nicholas' Church, Burton-in-Wirral

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS

Thursday 18 August 10.00am

Burton & Puddington Sports & Social Club

Coffee - Tea - Cakes

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Thursday 6 October 10.00am

Held at St Nicholas' Church Burton

Coffee - Tea - Cakes & Occasional Pianist









St Michael's Church, Shotwick

HERITAGE OPEN DAY

Saturday 17 September

HARVEST SERVICE & SUPPER







Sunday 9 October 3.00pm Details: Jenny Sneddon - jcsned@gmail.com

07530 144 763



Vision & Mission

In Christ's parable of the sheep and the goats, the King declares that whenever anyone was helped, no matter who they were, it was in fact Christ himself who was served.

Through the years and across the world, Mothers' Union has reached out in love and service to whoever has needed us. In our own day and as we look to the future, Christ continues to be an example of how to serve. Our relationship with Christ is our motivation; his guidance gives us wisdom in what we do; and our reward is to find we are serving him.

"Loving Lord, we give thanks for your faithfulness to Mothers' Union through so many years. Unite us together in vision and love that we may continue to reach out as your hands across the world, to carry out your mission on earth, Amen."

(MU Prayer Diary August)

On 15 June members enjoyed a delightful afternoon in the garden at 'Hafod'. The weather was more than kind; the tea and cakes delicious and the flowers (especially the roses!) appreciated by all.

Next Meeting

Wednesday 21 September at 2:00 pm – Sports and Social Club:

'Ann Hudson - Botanical Artist'





Learning stories from the Bible through Craft and play

All aboard Noah's Ark!

Saturday 10 September from 10am - 11.30am.

Gladstone Village Hall

Open to all ages

Games, Craft, Stories & Play come along and join the fun!

Tales From foodbank

The Wirral Foodbank has just had a successful collection weekend at the





across Wirral), and Tesco increases it with a donation worth about 20% of the food's value

This year 6.5 tonnes of food – 60% more – was donated.

Comments from shoppers indicated that they fully realised that the cost of living increases they were bearing would be crippling to a lot of people and this drove their generosity. In addition to the food almost £1,500 was donated – an unprecedented amount.

In the foodbank's distribution centres we're seeing about the same number of clients as two months ago, but with an increasing number who have more serious problems. The Household Fund provided by the national government to all local authorities has just become available and is starting to be used. A big proportion of it will go on fuel bills. Not just for pre-payment customers but also for direct debit and other credit customers. Sadly, the fund will probably only last for a couple of months.



In addition to the Foodbank Plus programme operated jointly by the Foodbank and the Citizen's Advice Bureau (and now with a staff of 3), a pilot programme with Wirral Mind at one distribution centre has started because we are seeing more and more distressed clients. This programme provides counselling to help deal with anxiety while Foodbank Plus helps with the causes of the anxiety. It's early days, but it's already clear that this one centre is easily referring enough clients to keep the one day a week pilot fully occupied.

We continue to be hugely impressed by our foodbank's management and trustees. They've added the Wirral Mind service to clients, just as in the past they added the CAB advice (now becoming a national Trussell Trust programme) and Fuel Vouchers.

The foodbank recently celebrated its 10th anniversary. At the celebration were a number of the people intimately involved with its foundation (including two councillors from then who are still councillors and supporters now). The vision then was to work to eliminate the need for foodbanks and, in the meantime, to treat

those who need the foodbank's help with dignity. It was clear from the video address by the CEO of Trussell Trust, Emma Revie, that the Wirral Foodbank has been and remains at the forefront of working on the whole problem experienced by those in need and not "just" on providing food.

But the talent, tenacity and compassion of these leaders would be unable to deliver a fraction of any

of this without the donations that you, supermarket customers, churches, supermarkets themselves and other organisations provide.



As always, many thanks to those who support the Foodbank with food and financial donations which make all the difference to so many people.

Thank You

https://wirral.foodbank.org.uk/ https://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/

The School Year Draws to a Close!

Happily, we have managed to complete a full academic year, actually in school, this year, which is something to be celebrated. We have had another busy term. There has been a sports day, a very successful school fayre thanks to our wonderful PTA, and football and netball competitions. We have also taken part in 'Worship on Tour' where two of our children work with children from other schools to lead worship in each other's schools.

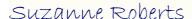
Our whole school has been working on a topic about pollution and protecting the environment. We all went to the beach near Hilbre Island and looked at the creatures and plants living there. We also picked up four bags of litter.

Eagles' class performed a wonderful play called 'The Tudor Rose' which was a whistle stop tour of the Tudor period. It was a fabulous effort by everyone involved. The year 6 took part in a leavers' service at Chester cathedral and they held their own service at St. Nicholas' Church.

Owls' class have been thinking about saving turtles and have been running an art competition to raise money for this cause. There have been some fabulous entries and choosing winners was very difficult.

Robins' class have been writing letters and making posters to encourage people to recycle and they have started recycling their fruit peel and cores.

Our Christian values for this half-term have been peace and justice. We held an afternoon to think about peace and looked at peace symbols from around the world. We tried out some yoga positions that are related to peace and spent some time being still. This was a wonderful afternoon.



Head of School

To keep up-to-date with all school activities, visit: https://www.facebook.com/BishopWilsonPrimary



Burton Village Gardens



Burton Village Gardens Open Day Success

It was yet another amazing effort from Burton Village Open Gardens on Sunday 26 June!

Thank you all who attended and helped us raise this fantastic amount for our beloved charities. We hope you all had a wonderful day and enjoyed all the gardens had on offer. Thank you to all the volunteers and to everyone who made the event possible

The amount raised for charity was £4,279

The National Garden scheme charity received £3,439 and Claire House Children's Hospice received £840 And, to all residents for being so tolerant about the disruption to village life yet again, a very big ...

Thank You!

Liz Carter 07711 813732

BURTON MERE WETLANDS Join us for a Big Wild Summer

Like us down at the reserve, most of the readers will have noticed how the cool spring has affected the countryside and the negative impact it has had on species like butterflies, dragonflies, and damselflies.

Things picked up somewhat in July with much warmer drier days and we have been seeing dozens of purple hairstreak butterflies.

These can be seen from the visitor centre decking, flying high in the oak canopy feeding on honeydew. Many sightings of the different skipper butterflies, burnet moths, and the well-seen species, the brown hawker dragonflies.

The relatively dry spring also had some impact on the breeding season, particularly for the wading birds. Overall, it was an average season for our priority waders, but still we've recorded at least 40 redshank, 50 lapwing and 70 avocet pairs nesting at the reserve.

Another highlight for the breeding season was another successful year for the marsh harrier pair who again nested successfully in the reedbed at Burton Mere Wetlands with four chicks fledging. The juveniles can be distinguished by their very dark chocolate brown colouration with the same pale cap on the head as the females.

We have started to see the first autumnal movements of breeding waders heading south and stopping off with us to use the reserve as a refuge to rest up and refuel. We've had several sandpipers including the wood, common and green. We have also had spotted redshank, ruff, and dunlin most days with the odd greenshank.





Redshank



Lapwing



Marsh Harrier



Skipper Butterfly



Burnet Moth



Available from RSPB



Visitors at RSPB

We are gearing up for what we hope will be a busy summer. As the schools finish, we have our fantastic national *RSPB Big Wild Summer* activities in full swing again, with packs available for families to buy to either explore the reserve with or even take away to use at home.

Our unique quiz trail is included in this pack to help bring attention to some of the more overlooked species to bring more enjoyment for all our visitors.

By September we expect to see the growing flocks of ducks and geese returning for the winter months, which offer quite a spectacle.

A reminder that our visitor centre offers a great panoramic view of the wetlands, and we have a great selection of refreshments ,from sandwiches to icecreams available.

Also in September, work is due to get underway on our new café. This new addition will provide visitors with warming breakfasts and lunches and will help us generate more income to invest in further improving the Dee Estuary for wildlife.

We are still running our very successful mail-order shop with free delivery, and all profits coming back to the reserve to support our conservation work here on the Dee Estuary.

For regular updates, sightings information and news about the reserve, check our website blog at rspb.org.uk/burtonmerewetlands Also, follow us on Facebook and Twitter or call us on 0151 353 2720

The RSPB's events are now listed in one place, here: https://events.rspb.org.uk/

Ness Botanic Gardens members have

recently received our quarterly magazine, The Gentian, and this summer's edition contained plenty of information about projects around the gardens. The editor, Fiona Harrison, summed it up in her welcome:



"The Gardens have seen substantial maintenance work over the first half of the year and (are) now moving

into that satisfying phase of new planting and regrowth...Ness has taken the brave decision to refresh the Herbaceous Border and the Rhododendron border...Nick Lightfoot (Garden and Collections Manager) explains the development of herbaceous borders in horticulture and the various forms these have taken at Ness. The replanting of the border is finally beginning with perennials from North America, but it will be a few years before the planting matures to fill out the beds and we can fully appreciate all the hard work that has gone into this project."

Extracted from Nick Lightfoot's article "The Herbaceous Border at Ness", members learnt more about the origins of the herbaceous border at Ness:

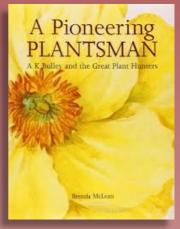
"Arthur Bulley (1861–1942) began to develop his gardens at Ness in 1898. When local people talked about 'Bulley's Gardens' they were referring to three separately enclosed spaces, each about an acre in size and linked by a public path. One



of these was the herbaceous garden, located in the area of the current herbaceous border and adjacent lawn.

Brenda McLean noted (in her book 'A Pioneering Plantsman: A. K. Bulley and the Great Plant Hunters') the herbaceous garden was already well-stocked by 1900, three years after Bulley's purchase of Ness:

'As an Edwardian flower garden, Bulley's herbaceous garden must have been hard to beat. Located on the most suitable, deep-silt soil... an acre of a field was transformed... along one side of the garden was an azalea border, backed by a hornbeam hedge... at one end of the garden was a bright display of dahlias, and an area of rose beds of gentler hues. At the opposite end an iron trellis was covered in Clematis montana. Otherwise, four monthly flower borders were Bulley's pride and joy. The May border was over 60m long, on one side of the garden, while the June, July and



August borders were across the garden 'with cinder paths and backed by tamarisk hedges'.

Changes come to Ness – in 1958 Ken Hulme removed Bulley's seasonal beds and replaced them with the one long herbaceous border that we still have today...more recent development (2006 – 2007) has focused on further reducing maintenance, with the removal of the sweet peas on posts and other plants requiring staking...summer 2022 will see the first section replanted with herbaceous perennials from North America including such familiar plants as Rudbeckia and Echinacea. Also noted in the editor's welcome, "another positive indicator that life (and work!) are returning to normal is the re-introduction of Coach Trips for members". From July, members will once again be able to enjoy a varied and inspiring programme of coach trips – these had been put on hold since 2019, but this year there are trips to Trentham Gardens, Southport Flower Show, Castle Howard and the Yorkshire Arboretum, RHS Bridgewater and Chatsworth and its Christmas Market!

Our final piece of exciting news which we passed on to members in the summer Gentian, is that from June 2022 we have added the University of Bristol Botanic Garden to our list of partner gardens. We are very pleased to be able to offer a reciprocal visiting arrangement for our members, and the Friends of Bristol Botanic Gardens.

Andrea Harman, Ness Botanic Garden Membership Office

https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/ness-gardens/visit,us/

Burton Village

Queen's Platinum

Jubilee Celebrations

Rain may have dampened the clothes, but not the spirits, of the Jubilee Big Picnic!

It was a great turn out, so wonderful to all get together. Folks set up gazebo camps across our field filled with friends and families. In just a few weeks an amazing group of villagers had put together a lovely day of events including music, face painting, a slide show of 70 years of Burton, Messy Church craft, mini sports day, tree planting, vintage cars, a Pimms toast to the Queen and National Anthem sing-song.

And whilst having all that fun we also raised £120 in aid of Ukraine.

Our thanks go to Gordale Garden Centre for donating a beautiful flowering cherry tree, as part of The Queen's Green Canopy, which can be seen in the play area. Also, to our performers Simple Folk, Theatre4All, and Burton Ukes, the Bellringers of St Nicholas' Church, the amazing artistic talents of the kids from Bishop Wilson CE Primary who created special bunting for the day and not forgetting our fabulous team of volunteers busy parking cars, on the bar, running games, painting faces, making tea, and much more behind the scenes.







Puddington Village Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

The weather may have been a little inclement, but on Sunday 5 June over 120 Puddington Village residents turned out to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in some style!

The celebrations took the form of a fully catered buffet supper, including Coronation Chicken as well as a Vegan version. This was followed by strawberries and cream and people were invited to dress for the occasion and to bring their own drinks to have with their meal and for the Loyal Toast.

Along with friends and family, residents of all ages enjoyed a marvellous evening of good food and celebrations organised by the Puddington Society.

A big thank you must go to Chris Lunt in Burton whose large party tent enabled the Village Green in Puddington to be used to full effect. So 'thank you' go to Chris Lunt, to Puddington's organising committee and to all who attended and made the event such a success.





Mid Summer

And the garden has been a riot of colour!

The pots and containers filled with 'annual' mix were lovely. Blue, pink cornflowers, marigolds, red, pink,

marigolds, red, pink white cosmos and Nicotiana.

Larkspur had low germination and subsequent blooms were not good.

A tub of sweet peas added to the mix. There was one row (back-to-back) of wonderful sweet peas grown from seed saved and a second row was grown from new seed. Their perfume was delightful!

The dahlias are slowly coming into bloom and the rowan sapling already has clusters of berries.

The roses were wonderful – Rosa Mundi spreading through a blue Lacecap Hydrangea. Ballerina with its clusters of pink roses is lovely and Buff Beauty the best show ever. Harry Lauder's Walking Stick (twisted hazel), despite undergoing a severe pruning, is again growing 'out of hand'.

Buddleia Davidii are coming into full bloom and together with the Hebes provide a haven for bees.

The Sea Holly is turning blue, and it makes lovely decorations for indoors. Again, with the unusual seasons, they



have grown much taller than usual.

Our feathered friends continue to visit our garden: blue/great tits, nuthatch, green/goldfinches, blackbirds, Robbie Robin, and Jenny Wren, heard but not often seen. A young jay flew into our bedroom window. It was dazed but flew over the garage, then perched on the greenhouse before flying off again, thankfully.

Tasks to be getting on with:

- Dead head faded blooms to promote flowering
- Water pots and containers.
- Give shrubs a good soak in dry conditions

Take time to sit in the garden and relax.

Happy Gardening *Flori Bunda*

Burton & Puddington Sports & Social Club



From September

Quiz Night



Every 3rd Friday of the Month

Just £1 Entrance

Bar Refreshments & Great Fun

Hello

I'm Paul Mayhew-Archer and I'm writing to tell you about the comedy show I'm bringing to Birkenhead.

Eleven years ago, I was chatting to a friend at the BBC and I mentioned that my handwriting was getting smaller. "I

don't want to worry you," he said, "but I think you might have Parkinson's." What he'd have said if he HAD wanted to worry me, I don't know, but he was right, and I've been living with it ever since.

People with Parkinson's find different ways of managing the condition.

Because of my background in comedy, I focus on the funny side. I co-wrote

The Vicar of Dibley' and one of my Parkinson's symptoms is

excessive drooling so I thought I'd call my one-man show 'From Dibley to

Dribbly'. My wife Julie vetoed that idea so it is called

INCURABLE

It's partly about my career in comedy and how, on separate occasions, I've had the luck to write for two of the funniest, sauciest women in the world - French and Dench. There's a double act to savour.

I've taken the show to the Edinburgh Fringe and all over the country, and people seem to love it, whether or not they have Parkinson's. They laugh a lot, some cry a little and we all feel better at the end.

Sunday 4 September 7pm- 9 pm at St Anne's Parish Centre, Highfield Road, Birkenhead. CH42 2BY.

All proceeds go to the Wirral branch of Parkinsons UK

Bob Rimmer, who lives on The Rake in Burton, can provide tickets: bobrimmer21@gmail.com tel: 07910 449 284

Do join us if you can. Thank you.

Paul





PARKINSON'S^{UK}
CHANGE ATTITUDES.
FIND A CURE.
JOIN US.

You bring the audience, I'll bring the show

INCURABLE OPINIST

AN ENTERTAINING EVENING WITH PAUL MAYHEW-ARCHER MBE

PAUL MAYHEW-ARCHER MBE is a British writer, producer, script editor and actor for the BBC.

He is best known as the co-writer of The Vicar of Dibley



ALL proceeds go directly to PARKINSON'S UK

PARKINSON'S^{UK} CHANGE ATTITUDES. FIND A CURE. JOIN US. Paul isn't just one of the funniest writers. It turns out he is also an annoyingly brilliant entertainer JOSH WIDDICOMBE

RICHARD CURTIS

Theatre4All.nw proudly present-

From Pops to Proms - a Jubilee Celebration

Fundraising for William Magee (Duchenne's) & Gladstone Village Hall Sunday 25th September

With afternoon tea at

5.30pm

Gladstone Village Hall, Burton £12 adults £10 concessions

> Tickets from -Theatre4All.nw@gmail.com or 07969040767



Summer Reading Challenge

Calling all Gadgeteers! Children under 12 can now join this year's Summer Reading Challenge at their local library or online. Join the Gadgeteers to discover the amazing science and innovation behind the world around you, including some of your favourite things.

Children who join will get a collector's pack, stickers each time they read at least two books and a certificate and a medal when they've read six. Younger ones can join too with the Mini Challenge (Under 4s) and will get a special golden sticker when they finish.

The Summer Reading Challenge is a great way to enjoy reading, in all formats, over the summer holidays.

Free Events

Free events in libraries include: Animal handling, Fun Science, dance with Noodle performance, Dogs Trust and a multitude of crafts and other events created by local libraries. For the full list of events activities in libraries click here.

Adults Read Two

Celebrate your love of books and reading this summer and join our adult summer reading challenge online and in libraries.

Entrants just need to read two books between 9 July and 4 September. Choose from a library book, eBook or eAudiobook, to be in with a chance to win £50 of book vouchers through our prize draw at

www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/read or pick up a flyer from your nearest library. 13-15-year-olds can enter with parental permission and a winner will be chosen at random.

OPERATION CLOSE PASS

On Friday 15 July representatives from Cheshire Police, Cheshire Fire and the British Horse Society were on hand at Gordale Garden Centre in Burton to answer questions and give advice regarding road safety when passing vulnerable road users such as cyclists and horse riders.





PC Lee Spencer from the Roads & Crime Unit has run several of these events around the county.

The idea is to educate all road users how to safely pass each other and "Share the Road."

Daniel Meeks from Cheshire Fire brought along a road mat plus bike

to demonstrate the safe distances required when overtaking cyclists, 1.5 metres if overtaking at speeds of up to 30 mph and 2 metres if over 30 mph.

Des Payne, safety officer from the British Horse Society, was available to advise drivers regarding the safe passing distance of 2 metres and at no more than 10 mph when passing horses.

Luckily the heat wave had not yet arrived, but the windy conditions did



mean we needed to weigh down our gazebo to prevent it taking off.

We got to speak with drivers of all ages and experience and hope to be able to offer similar events to this in the future.

Our thanks to staff and management at Gordale Garden Centre for allowing us to hold the event there.

LINDA CONWAY PCSO

https://www.bhs.org.uk/our-work/safety

Can't Drive & Need
Help With Shopping?
Are You Having
Problems Getting to
Appointments?



Here's a Local Transport Solution

Ellesmere Port and Neston Community Transport (EP&N) provide affordable transport for the community including those with mobility problems.

Car Scheme

EP&N operates a 'door-to-door' service under the banner of Community Car Scheme in which volunteer drivers can drive EP&N adapted cars to transport clients from their homes to medical appointments, shopping, hairdressers, social appointments and then take them home again.

Locations

CH65, CH64, CH66

Journeys are not restricted to the Ellesmere Port and Neston areas, but are for Ellesmere Port and Neston area residents.

Contact 0151 355 3739 www.epncta.btck.co.uk

Several local residents have already used the service and one said:

"I have used them twice so far and payment is roughly the cost of the petrol. My return trip to Arrowe Park hospital was roughly £17.50 and when I asked if I could leave a tip it was declined but "if I wished to round it up" it would be gratefully received as any surplus would go into a general operation fund - my £20 was a fraction of the cost of a taxi."

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Blue on 30 September

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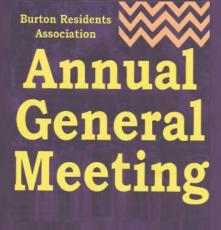
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Wednesday 21st September 2022 7pm

For information click here

AUDITIONS

Burton Reads is holding auditions for a staged reading of

The Importance of Peaches

By Tony Domaille

The Southerby Players are looking for a big idea to revive the group's fortunes.

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By arrangement with Lazy Bee Scripts

Seeking: 1 Female Adult Actor plus 1 Male or Female Adult Actor

The auditions will consist of readings from the script

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Click here to read the script

When: Tuesday 9 August at 7.30pm Sports & Social Club, Burton CH64 5TH

Rehearsals will be finalised based on the schedules of actors

Performance: 1 October at Gladstone Village Hall, Burton

Part of St Nicholas' Church Harvest Supper Evening

For more details and to reserve your place at the auditions contact:

sue@suebirch.com or call 271 4278

Cheshire West & Chester Mobile Library

THE MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS BOTH BURTON AND PUDDINGTON

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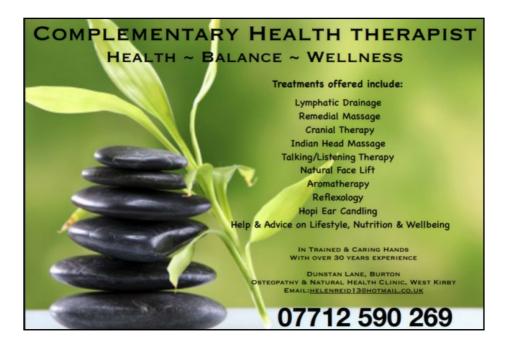
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For more information please contact Hazel Huxley on 0151 336 2288

THE BURTON SOCIETY

We are looking forward to our first meeting this season on Thursday 6 October when Dr Stephen Pickles is coming to talk to us about the Bidston Lighthouse. First built in 1771, the lighthouse was the furthest from the body of water it lit than any other in the world. We will be taken through its history since then. Everyone welcome!

Contact Renee Syme on 336-5852

BURTON & NESTON HISTORY SOCIETY

For more information please contact Robert Thrift on 0151 335 1771

BURTON WALKING GROUP

For more information please contact Gilly Mansfield 0151 336 4297

BURTON BRIDGE CLUB

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For more information, please contact the Secretary at friendsofhampstonswellburton@gmail.com

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