

BURTON FLEMING VILLAGE HALL  
NEWS & DIARY OF EVENTS - APRIL 2020  
The Village Hall has cancelled all events for the foreseeable future, adhering to Government Guidelines on the coronavirus virus pandemic.

**We wish you all well.**

**MARCH 2020 LOTTERY WINNER**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: D. Townend £25      2<sup>nd</sup> Prize M. Lowther £15  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: J. Watson £10      4<sup>th</sup> Prize: P. Harvey £5

**BE A PART OF IT TO WIN IT - HELP SUPPORT THE VILLAGE HALL**

For a contribution of £1.00 per month you are supporting your community hall which is used for a meeting place for many activities. You can pay monthly, half yearly or yearly. We now have 116 players, the profits from this, pay for most of the INSURANCE of the hall. The draw takes place every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month at the Post Office.

Contact: Kate Mercer 470556 for a personal number or numbers.

**The SPRING WHIST DRIVE** raised £85.50. It is a very pleasant and fun evening, with great whist and raffle prizes donated by players and friends. Thank you to all helpers who made the evening a success.

**The March Coffee Morning** was a staggering success. We only just got that in prior to all the shutdowns. Thank you to all that attended. We raised £210.00 for our improvement funds.

**The April coffee morning on 11<sup>th</sup> April is cancelled.**

**ALL REGULAR EVENTS ARE POSTPONED UNTIL  
FURTHER NOTIFICATION  
FUTURE DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARIES**

Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup>; Willy Nelson evening  
Wednesday September 30<sup>th</sup>; Bad Apple Production  
Lets hope these could be possible!!!!  
**STAY HOME; STAY SAFE**

Rates; £8.00ph for residents/£10ph for non residents/  
£12ph for business etc/ and weddings by negotiation

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# **BURTON FLEMING NEWSLETTER**

Dear Resident,

In this time of uncertainty, we want to let you know that we are here to help.

We have a group of volunteers ready to help those vulnerable or high risk who may need to isolate. We are ready and waiting to collect shopping, prescriptions, lifts and even visits where appropriate.

In agreement with the Parish Council we now have a point of contact should you require any assistance. From there a volunteer will be asked to help. This will be based on who can help with the request at the time and who the individual knows, it's important that a familiar face is there to help.

Please keep this circular and in the coming weeks please do not hesitate to get in touch with anything at all. Either call the number or email and we will spring into action. This information will also be in the newsletter.

Call or email:  
MANDY MILLER  
01262 470517 / 07776 207711  
mrsmandymiller@me.com



A supply of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables are available from the trailer outside Fourways, Main Street, Burton Fleming along with a selection of homemade cakes and pastries.

For further details please contact  
Thomas Skelton on 07885288789  
or Jade Skelton on  
07701346969 Home deliveries are  
available for residents self-isolating  
living in Burton Fleming.



Items for publication in the May issue should reach me by 25/04/20  
Contact Margaret Barker - Tel:07966 160267  
burtonflemingnewsletter@gmail.com

Thank you to all who supported the Burton Fleming Duck Race on Sunday 15th March. The event went brilliantly with excellent weather and support

The winners were;  
1st: Duck 175 Clara and Ruby  
2nd: Duck 67 Kate Mercer  
3rd: Duck 3 William Blackburn.  
Booby prize Chiara Brader.



Many thanks to Mary in the shop and the Pub for selling ducks.

Also thanks to Wolds Engineering, Robsons butchers, Anne Waites and anybody else who supplied prizes for the Raffle.

A special thankyou to Anita and Naomi for the wonderful food and organising the raffle. A big thankyou to Rebecca for braving the water and following the ducks down the Gypsy race and the committee for all their work in organising such a wonderful event.

The total raised was £503.20.

We are looking forward to running the Duck race the next time we get the Gypsy race flowing again. In the coming months we are thinking of holding a games day in the field behind the Playground **(Government legislation permitting)** The perfect event for these difficult times as we will all be out in the open improving our fitness. times and dates to follow.

Phoebe and friends will be running the fun run in August for everyone, again times and dates to follow.

A final thankyou for everyone's continued support.

Burton Fleming Playground Committee.

## HISTORY GROUP

Unfortunately the March talk by David Mooney had to be cancelled due to the coronavirus outbreak, and the Southburn Archaeology Museum visit in April has also been postponed as the Museum has closed until further notice.

of Genoa Jacobus da Varagine, George's death was at the hands of Dacian, and about the year 287.

The tradition tells that a fierce dragon was causing panic at the city of Silene, Libya, at the time Saint George arrived there. In order to prevent the dragon from devastating people from the city, they gave two sheep each day to the dragon, but when the sheep were not enough they were forced to sacrifice humans instead of the two sheep. The human to be sacrificed was elected by the city's own people and that time the king's daughter was chosen to be sacrificed but no one was willing to take her place. Saint George saved the girl by slaying the dragon with a lance. The king was so grateful that he offered him treasures as a reward for saving his daughter's life, but Saint George refused it and instead he gave these to the poor. The people of the city were so amazed at what they had witnessed that they became Christians and were all baptized.

The *Golden Legend* offered a historicised narration of George's encounter with a dragon. This account was very influential and it remains the most familiar version in English owing to William Caxton's 15th-century translation.

In the mediaeval romances, the lance with which Saint George slew the dragon was called Ascalon, after the Levantine city of Ashkelon, today in Israel. The name *Ascalon* was used by Winston Churchill for his personal aircraft during World War II, according to records at Bletchley Park. In Sweden, the princess rescued by Saint George is held to represent the kingdom of Sweden, while the dragon represents an invading army. Several sculptures of Saint George battling the dragon can be found in Stockholm, the earliest inside Storkyrkan ("The Great Church") in the Old Town. Iconography of the horseman with spear overcoming evil was widespread throughout the Christian period.

George is a highly celebrated saint in both the Western and Eastern Christian churches, and a large number of Patronages of Saint George exist throughout the world.

Saint George is the patron saint of England. His cross forms the national flag of England, and features within the Union Flag of the United Kingdom, and other national flags containing the Union Flag, such as those of Australia and New Zealand. By the 14th century, the saint had been declared both the patron saint and the protector of the royal family.



## MESSAGE FROM REV BARBARA



Very little is known about St George's life, but it is thought he was a Roman officer of Greek descent from Cappadocia who was martyred in one of the pre-Constantinian persecutions. Beyond this, early sources give conflicting information.

There are two main versions of the legend, a Greek and a Latin version, which can both be traced to the 5th or 6th century. The saint's veneration dates to the 5th century with some certainty, and possibly still to the 4th. The addition of the dragon legend dates to the 11th century.

In the Greek tradition, George was born to Greek Christian parents, in Cappadocia. His father died for the faith when George was fourteen, and his mother returned with George to her homeland of Syria Palaestina. A few years later, George's mother died. George travelled to the eastern imperial capital, Nicomedia, where he joined the Roman army. George was persecuted by one *Dadianus*. In later versions of the Greek legend, this name is rationalised to Diocletian, and George's martyrdom is placed in the Diocletian persecution of AD 303. The setting in Nicomedia is also secondary, and inconsistent with the earliest cultus of the saint being located in Diospolis.

George was executed by decapitation before Nicomedia's city wall, on 23 April 303. A witness of his suffering convinced Empress Alexandra of Rome to become a Christian as well, so she joined George in martyrdom. His body was returned to Lydda for burial, where Christians soon came to honour him as a martyr.

The legend of Saint George and the Dragon was first recorded in the 11th century, in a Georgian source. It reached Catholic Europe in the 12th century. In the *Golden Legend*, by 13th-century Archbishop

Dear Friends

Well, what a situation we are in, very difficult to believe, isn't it?

I guess most of you, like me, have never experienced anything quite like it, I keep being reminded about the 'war years' and Churchill's rallying call to the nation: - We will never give in...etc.

What saddens me is the greed of those folks who have bought far, far more than they need, who will push pensioners out of the way to get further up in the queue, who will shout and swear and, in some cases, fight over a packet of toilet paper. Good grief, what are we about, what have we come to?

So, my friends, I ask you, if you see such behaviour, report the culprits, we must stand up for the pensioners, the disabled, the poorly, those who have to 'socially-distance' themselves & the wonderful NHS workers who couldn't buy any food after their 14 hour & more shift because of the greed of others.

I hope you will realise how incensed I am, I am in 'lock-down' with a vulnerable husband but I will take my turn in the queue, I will only buy what I need & I pray to God every day that common sense & decency will prevail and that, indeed, 'we will never give in' to the appalling behaviour of the few.

Rant over, 'thank you' to everyone who has offered help in many ways to those in need. Helping each other is vital in these dreadful times, it is the command of our Lord - 'to love your neighbour' and when Jesus said - 'when I was hungry you gave me food, when I was thirsty you gave me a drink, when I was a stranger you welcomed me, when I was naked you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' The people asked - 'when was all this?' Jesus replied - 'Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

You will know, by now, that church services are suspended for the foreseeable future and the new Government directive is that all church buildings be closed, but remember, one can pray anywhere. There are several services which are accessible on Facebook, You-tube etc, if you are able, do share one, they are different but very good. .

Please let the churchwardens know if there is help needed.  
Meanwhile, my love and prayers are with you all.

Love & blessings,  
Revd Barbara

## Burton Fleming Parish Council News

### Defibrillator

Burton Fleming has a community defibrillator located in the old telephone kiosk on Front Street. If you need to use the defibrillator, please call 999 and the operator will give you the access code. All Parish Council members also have this code.

When you switch the defibrillator on, it will guide you with both audio and video instructions.

A member of the Parish Council undertakes regular checks of the equipment. However, if you become aware of any issues with the equipment please let the Clerk know ASAP on 07542874957 or e-mail [clerk@burtonflemingpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@burtonflemingpc.co.uk)

If anyone is interested in sponsoring the Newsletter for one month at a cost of £26 please contact: [clerk@burtonflemingpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@burtonflemingpc.co.uk)



### Next Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Council meeting (including the Annual Parish Meeting) is due to be held on Tuesday 5 May 2020 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. However, this may have to be cancelled - please visit our website [www.burtonflemingpc.co.uk](http://www.burtonflemingpc.co.uk) for an update nearer the time.

This meeting is the AGM of the Parish Council and the Election of Officers will take place at this meeting. This will be followed by the opportunity for members of the public to put forward any concerns or requests to the Parish Council regarding the village for the coming year. Parish Council Meeting No 1 - 2020/21 will follow on from the Annual Parish Meeting on the same evening, 5 May 2020.

### Community Litter Pick

Following concerns about the amount of rubbish in and around the village there are a few people interested in forming a litter picking group. If anyone is interested in joining in please email [clerk@burtonflemingpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@burtonflemingpc.co.uk)

There is no set date planned as yet but we have been promised refreshments at the Village Hall!

Should you wish to report any concerns, make comments, or submit items for discussion at future meetings, please do not hesitate to contact Jennifer Hobson (Clerk) during office hours on the following details:  
Tel: 07542874957,  
Email: [clerk@burtonflemingpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@burtonflemingpc.co.uk)

## Burton Fleming Parish Council News

### Dog Fouling

Do you see irresponsible dog owners walk on after their dog has fouled?

Stop them damaging your reputation and report them to us in confidence:

### Dog Warden Service (01482) 396301

Where possible please tell us:

- Location of fouling
- Time and date of the fouling
- Name and address of dog owner
- Description of the dog

To request removal of dog faeces on the street please call (01482) 393939



There has been an increased occurrence of dog fouling in the village - this is not acceptable. It is an offence not to clear up after your dog if it fouls on land in the open air which the public has access to. A person guilty of this offence can be issued with a fixed penalty notice of £75.



Please clean up after your dog!

## Badapple Theatre On Your Doorstep with ELEPHANT ROCK

From the great age of the steamers and through the heyday of the British seaside resorts the grand dance hall has stood proudly on the pier front attended by the greatest of all attractions, The Mechanical Elephant.

But now the holidaymakers have left for good, like the old Elephant Rock that gave the headland its name. And with the tides are gnawing away at the coast all around, short of a miracle or two it'll be curtains for certain for the old place but that doesn't stop Nellie's girls putting up a good fight.

Come and join us for a good chuckle and a song or two as we trace the twists and turns of the tall tales of generations of carnival women who kept the Elephant Rock dance hall doors open through hell and high water...

Hopefully coming to Burton Fleming soon

