

Have you Heard.....?

(Thornton Curtis, Burnham and District quarterly newsletter)

Welcome to the new quarterly newsletter specifically for Thornton Curtis, Burnham & District compiled with news and events relevant to our community and surrounding area.

If you have any news or events which you wish to have publicised call Marian Weightman on 01469 531558

or email Karen Prince on Karen@laburnumplants.co.uk for further details

Deadline for next newsletter
January 15th 2011.

*Life is like a mirror, we
get the best results when
we smile at it.*

Author - Unknown

A saying from my Father-in-law:

'A person who claims to "say what he thinks" should learn to think before he says it.'

A saying from a previous parish;

**'It's un-Christian to give offence;
It's also un-Christian to take offence.'**

Diary of Events – Autumn 2010

Sunday 3rd Oct – Harvest Service and Supper in Church at 6.30pm – Tickets £7 adults - £5 Children and Seniors

Tuesday 5th Oct – Harvest Auction to be held in Thornton Hunt Inn from 8.30pm onwards. Join us for a fun night with all manner of produce on sale. Donations of produce can be brought to Church before 3rd October or left at the Thornton Hunt on the day of the Auction.

Friday 22nd Oct - Ceilidh and Supper to be held in Church between 7.30pm and 11pm – Dancing to the 'Little Band'. Tickets £10 adults and £6 for children.

Monday 20th Dec - 'Carols by Candlelight' -

Start Christmas with the opportunity to sing all of your favourite Carols. Dorcas Leather will once again play the piano and hopes to be joined by two soloists who have entertained us in recent years. Supper will be on a Bring & Share basis, where each family brings a plate of food – savoury or sweet.

'Have you Heard...?' We hold a '**Monthly village night**' on the first Tuesday of the month at the Thornton Hunt from 8.30pm with the chance to meet your neighbours, have a chat and a drink. Our thanks to Peter & Stephanie for making us so welcome throughout the year.

Quiz Night – November 2nd in the pub.

Individuals are welcome to come along and join with a group to make up a team. No advance notice is needed, just come along and join in. Great fun

We hope you can join us for some, or all of these events; they are a wonderful part of community life and are always enjoyable. Tickets are available from Marian Weightman 01469 531558 or Carole Couch 01469 531226

It's true we don't know what we've lost until we lose it, but it's also true that we don't know what we've been missing until it arrives.

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Secret Helper...?

How many times do we drive or walk through a village and wonder who keeps it looking and running so well? Through rain or shine the flowers at the Old Pump on the Barrow side of the village are kept going with the attention by our 'Secret Helper', also the winding of the clock in the Church tower along with the raising of the flag on Saints days and National events. Who is this 'Secret Helper'? None other than our own Allan Tulloch, your secrets out Allan, and it must be brought to the attention of everyone around that this has been more than appreciated by everyone in the community. A 'Huge' Thank-you Allan for all of your time and energy spent keeping our surroundings looking and working so well.

Playing Field Committee

The inaugural meeting was held on Sunday 5th Sept with the aim to collect suggestions for the safe development and use of the playing field. With approval from the Parish Council, the PFC plans to remove a broken (or beyond repair) see-saw, manage the frequency of mowing the grass and organise the trimming of the inside of the hedges in order to maintain integrity of the field and its boundary.

Although in its infancy, the PFC are keen to raise the profile and possibilities of the area and plan to organise fund raising events to pay towards the upkeep and development. Should you have any questions or suggestions please contact Mr Brian Logan, Chair of the PFC at 10-12 Main Street, Thornton Curtis.

Volunteer assistance or offers to lend equipment for its maintenance would be very much appreciated.

The committee consists of 6 villagers and a member of the Parish Council, who would like to hear of any other equipment that could be donated to the PFC e.g. tables and chairs etc., to facilitate great community involvement and comfort.

Further news and developments will be relayed via this newsletter. (Liz Trubshaw)

Community

- Are you able to help by volunteering within the community?
- Helping with fund raising events
- Collecting wood in the Churchyard
- Tending and tidying the Churchyard
- Finding new ways to use the Church building.
I.e. Art displays, play readings, book groups, history displays etc.

If you have any ideas or wish to help out in any way, please contact Alix Jacklin, Carole Couch or Marian Weightman

Photographs

Several residents in the area have collections of old photographs recording the history and people of the village and surrounding district. We are hoping to compile these records for everyone to see, whether through the newsletter and/or via a display within the Church. If you have any photographs, documents or items which you think would be of interest, please contact us for further information (All items will be returned)

First Kiss

I knew when I saw you that something had changed
And all resolutions would be re-arranged
A head-on collision, two ships in the night.
Let's go with the flow, and see if we're right.
Your voice soft and gentle, with truth in your eyes,
A presence so strong, there can be no disguise.
Yet we both must be cautious, and certain and sure,
And maybe this feeling will remain and mature.
But, as life is so short, I must tell you this
True love is remembered by the very first kiss.
You've touched on my life in a wonderful way
So this time I pray, that this girl, she will stay

(John Herring)