

Village Hall News May 2010

- **Recent Events:** The **Annual Parish Meeting** on 22 April received reports from a large number of village organizations, and ours is available on the VH webpage. The **Mummers** and the **Playford Dancers** were very entertaining in their VH performances on St George's Day, 23 April, during the Cream Tea event organized by the Village Shop. Our local blues band *The Swarm*, gave a thoroughly enjoyable Village Hall Benefit Gig on 24 April, many thanks to the band. There is a contact link to *The Swarm* on our webpage in case you wish to book them for your own event and you can download their poster as a souvenir for your grandchildren. Dr Simon Cane's lecture entitled **6,461 Metres is High Enough** on a month's trekking in the Himalayas attracted a large audience on 8 May and the superb computer projected photographs displayed perfectly on our newly enlarged wall screen. The spiced Nepalese tea was intriguing but we could easily understand that it was very welcome when delivered to tents on a frosty morning before a midnight trek to see a peak in early light! The competition to find the Yeti family on a grid overlaid panorama was a sell-out. All proceeds were shared between the **Nepal Practical Action Charity** and the Village Hall, many thanks to Simon for all his work. There was a small rush awaiting the 7am opening as a Polling Station on **Election Day**, the turnout here was 70% by the closing time 10pm. Our annual **Spring Plant Sale** and Coffee Morning with plants from Alan Collier on Saturday 15 May was again very successful.
- **VH Clock:** In recent years our 8-day chiming wall clock, which dates from 1863, has not worked but Bryan Woolnough has now cleaned its mechanism and it is back in working order. We are very grateful to Bryan and remind everyone that he is giving a talk organized by the WI on Thursday 3 June and open to all, entitled *Experiences during WWII and beyond*. This may be the first lecture in the Hall for many years to be punctuated by a traditional chime!
- **History Exhibition 2010:** As you may have seen from other notices, ten years after the Millennium History Exhibition in the Village Hall, there will be another in September. This means that the Hall is unavailable for other bookings during the inclusive dates 16-26 September, which period allows for setting up and dismantling time. For more information contact Susan Gregory at 62863 or sbgregory@btinternet.com
- **VH Webpage** <http://northcravenhistoricalresearch.co.uk/BVH/BurtonVH.htm>
In addition to news, photos from the recent events, contacts and archived documents there is now a link on our webpage to see the calendar of bookings for the current and following month, to help you plan your event. Also there is an email link to check availability for booking requests and to give us any feedback and suggestions.

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