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2012 EVENTS

28th July
Abbeytown Carnival
3rd to 5th August
Skinburness Festival of Scarecrows
24th to 26th August
Solfest
27th August
Silloth Carnival

6th to 9th September
Silloth Music & Beer Festival
26th October
Silloth Bonfire & Fireworks

Beacon Veterinary Centre, operating in the Silloth and Aspatria area for more than 100 years, have proudly moved into their new Silloth premises, a building with it's own history. The Vets surgery has moved from the tired building on Waver Street, to the site of the former HSBC bank on Station Road.

Bank House was originally built and owned by the Carlisle & Silloth Bay Railway & Dock Company during Silloth's formative years, in fact some of the wall-paper behind the bank vault appears to date back to the 1850s. The beautiful mahogany features have been retained, as well as the security glass; unfortunately however the bank didn't leave the vault full.

Beacon Vets was previously constrained by

planning restrictions on their hours of opening at Waver Street. They now hope to be able to expand the range of services and opening hours in the new premises. The bank premises provide ample room for the current consultations, with plenty of scope to offer minor surgical procedures in the future.

New Hours - coming soon: 12 to 3pm.

Clients and interested parties are invited to visit the open surgeries in Silloth, a chat may help them decide on how best to care for their pets. They might even want to join Beacon's innovative Pet Health Care Scheme, which includes vaccinations, worm and flea cover, as well as further discounts, in order to spread the costs of your pet's complete health care.

Regulators Donate £100



Report by: Sue Kent

Members of Lincoln County Regulators from Stoke on Trent very generously presented Silloth RNLI lifeboat crew with a cheque for £100.

They were formed in 1981 and are a group who

re-enact life as it was in the Wild West around the 1870's. They meet regularly in a pub called 'The Congress' and are known as 'Westerners' (Cowboys).

It was their second year attending the Vintage Rally at Silloth, performing a 'shoot out' between the

Sheriff, his Deputies, horse thieves and renegades. They had an authentic settlement displayed on the green with both men and women looking fantastic in their costumes.

They also spent Sunday morning with Silloth lifeboat crew down at the boathouse.

WI Report

Report by: Pat Froggatt

The June meeting of Causewayhead W.I. was held at Trinity Methodist, Silloth, President Olga Hetherington welcomed members old and

The General Meeting took place during which members were reminded that the July Meeting was a trip to Helena Thompson Museum at Workington and that a coach would be available to take members to this. The coach would be leaving Silloth promptly at 6pm on Wednesday 11th

After the General Meeting the President introduced our speaker for the evening, Mr. Frank Barton who was to give a talk on Walking Sticks and also demonstrate how to he made them.

This was a fascinating display and talk which showed exactly how the walking sticks were made and the different types of heads he used for them Part of the process was to straighten the wood - this was done by using a paint stripper as the wood must be straight and level. The type of wood that could be uses was hazel, ash and black palm. For the heads he used black buffalo horn or rams horns. These are oiled and given a polish to provides a good finish. To get the shape required from the buffalo horn it is necessary to boil the horn and then he shapes it, fills the hollow with resin and then polishes it up. Among other items he makes are dog whistles.

Jubilee in Mawbray

Report by: Beckie Molyneux

On the 4th June a Diamond Jubilee celebration was held at Culterham Hall Mawbray where we shared afternoon tea.

Forty villagers and people from the area and lots of children attended, it was a

great day enjoyed by all and wonderful to be outside in the sunshine and enjoy a disco to dance away to.

Thank you to everyone who attended. A total of £135 was raised, this was divided between Mawbray Play Park and Eden Valley Hospice.

Whilst Frank was finishes the stick he was demonstrating there was a short break for supper, and then the demonstration continued. There were several types of horns on display and members were invited to look and examine these. For the whistles the oil he uses is linseed oil followed by a gloss varnish polished with wax.

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A vote of thanks was given by Maureen Irving on behalf of members to what had been a very interesting and informative talk and demonstration. Competitions: Home

made wooden sculpture: 1st - Rosemary Brooks; 2nd - Pat Froggatt Flower: 1st and 2nd - Ann Harrison. Raffle: 1st - Kay Gilmore; 2nd - Jean Carr

Have You Got Yours?

Hello Festival Goers - we wanted to remind you that tickets for the 12th Silloth Music and Beer Festival are on sale! As well as 75+ real ales and ciders, we have a fantastic line up that we hope appeals to all who attend the Silloth Music and Beer Festival.

The line up includes: The Roy G Hemmings Dictionary of Soul show (Roy was the longest serving member of The Drifters and will play over two hours of Soul and Motown Hits), Bombskare (Scotland's 9-man ska juggernaut), Elvis Fontenot and the Sugar Bees (Europe's premier swamp'n'roll band who performed to rave reviews at our 10th Festival), Boomin' (3 piece pop/rock band from Wigan who have supported

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artists including The Script, Scouting for Girls and McFly) and outstanding tribute acts Antarctic Monkeys, Limehouse Lizzy and New2. Alongside that will be a chance for YOU to be the star, as we bring Rockaoke to Cumbria for the first time. Rockaoke gives festival goers the chance to perform alongside a live rock band, and they have endless celebrity fans including Chris Moyles, Chris Evans and Justin Lee Collins to name just a few! We also have some fantastic talent for you from our Battle of the Bands competitions. Morecambe band, Scarred ID, will play with a blistering set of original rock tunes. Wigan band, Valve Rider will take to the stage, alongside local bands, House of 3 Hands,

The Pulse and Brightside.

We are very much looking forward to getting the bar open once more, and look forward to bringing you some fantastic bands and gorgeous ales to wash it down!

Tickets are available from Winters Newsagents in Silloth, The Carnegie Theatre in Workington and also online from ticketweb.

The festival will be held under canvas from September 6th to 9th, on Silloth's Green, and a four day festival pass is £38. For the full line up and more details please visit www. sillothbeerfestival.co.uk or look for us on facebook and

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Bursaries Awarded

The first three Hunter Davies Bursaries for Cumbrian Writers was announced at the Lakeland Book of the Year Awards lunch at Castle Green Hotel in Kendal.

The aim of the Bursaries, worth £1,000 each, is to help finance people to write and publish non fiction books with a Cumbrian setting. This is the first year of the awards and 34 entries were received. Entrants had to give a brief outline of their proposed book, some biographical information and a sample of their writing. The judges were Eric Robson, author, broadcaster and chairman of Cumbria Tourism; Dawn Roberston of Hayloft Books in Kirby Stephen; and Hunter Davies.

They were looking for writers who were determined to write and publish their books anyway, whether they received a Bursary or not, and

showed some evidence, not just of writing talent, but that they had already made some progress with research and writing. The money would help them with their research, perhaps to take time off and probably to self publish their own book - as it is likely that most of their projects, however interesting and worthwhile, will not attract the normal, commercial publishing firms. And probably never make any money.

The proposed subjects ranged from autobiography, biography, cooking, climbing, the history of a house, an Inn, a dead poet, a village, a town and a book about some interesting trees.



"We hope that all the people who applied will finish their books," says Hunter Davies "and some of the ideas were excellent and deserve encouragement. The range was remarkable. Now, when wandering round Cumbria, I am constantly looking through windows and wondering if someone inside is bashing away on their book, hugging to themselves their pet literary project. Almost everyone, after all, has a book in them, so they say."

The fortunate recipients

* Margaret Poland, aged 77, from Maryport, who is working on a memoir about her early life. She left school at 15, worked for many years as a nurse and then as a London ambulance driver.

* Ian Hill, who lives in Eaglesfield, Cockermouth, is writing a book about the Cumbrian environment under threat, and plans to travel all over the county.

* Ian Hall from Keswick, who has been a farmer and a priest, is doing his autobiography and has completed 45,000 words already.

"If any of their books turn out to be best sellers," says Hunter Davies, "it is hoped they will do the decent thing and give some of the money back and help the next generation of aspiring Cumbrian writers."

New Library & Local Links Office Opening



Residents and visitors in Silloth will soon be reaping the benefits of a Local Links in the town which will offer a one-stopshop for local services.

Working in partnership, Cumbria County and Allerdale Borough Councils are bringing together public services into one convenient place, where people can access a wide range of services.

Housed at the Solway Coast Discovery Centre on Liddell Street, the new Silloth Local Links will see library services - including IT and web access - tourist information and Cumbria County and Allerdale Borough Council services come under one roof.

From 23rd July the new Local Links will be open for 26.5 hours a week - an

increase in opening hours for both Silloth Library - up from 21 hours - and the Tourist Information Centre - up from 22 hours.

The Discovery Centre is also home to the Solway Coast Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Exhibition and Educational Resource Centre.

The joint initiative between Cumbria County Council and Allerdale Borough Council will see the library close on Saturday 14th July before reopening as Silloth Local Links on Monday 23rd July in The Discovery Centre.

Cumbria County Councillor Oliver Pearson, Cabinet member for Communities, said: "This is a great example of both councils working together to benefit local people. It's fantastic that the community has access to public services under one roof and I'm confident Silloth Local Links will quickly be seen as a valuable community resource."

Allerdale Borough Councillor Philip Tibble, Executive member with responsibility for customer services, said: "Local Links are a great example of joined up thinking, working in partnership with others and sharing resources for the benefit of the community.

This Local Links is not only an excellent example of us all working together to provide accessible and efficient services but through doing this we have extended the opening hours of services which are valued by residents in, and visitors to, Silloth."

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Free Insulation Offer

Allerdale Borough Council is raising awareness of a Cumbria Warm Homes project which provides free home insulation.

The Cumbria Affordable Warmth Partnership, of which Allerdale borough Council and energy company E-on are partners, is offering the free home insulation for all privately-owned or rented homes. The company is also giving low income families and pensioners a £100 cheque towards their energy bills. Free insulation is available to homes where loft insulation is below 60mm. For homes with loft insulation of more than

60mm, the cost is £199. Cavity wall insulation is also free. Low income households, in receipt of certain benefits may also be eligible for £100 cash back.

Councillor Carni
McCarron-Holmes,
Executive member with
responsibility for housing,
said: "With the prices of
everyday necessities going
up, more and more people
are finding it difficult to
pay their energy bills and
fuel poverty is increasing.
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to reducing poverty and

supporting vulnerable people. Affordable warmth schemes like this one are essential for tackling fuel poverty, which can have huge adverse effects on physical and mental health."

Once an application is approved, insulation will be installed within three months. There is no need to be an existing E-on customer and no need to switch energy supplier in order to take advantage of the insulation offer.

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Carel Steam Engine in Carrs Mill



The enormous 18ft 6in wheel that used to drive everything in the Mill weighs 21 tons

On the Sunday when the Vintage Rally was on the Green volunteers from Carrs Mill opened the Mill Museum to the public.

This wonderful Victorian Engine Room is only opened on a very occasional basis, however some members of staff take it upon themselves to keep the ancient machinery maintained.

The machines were last used in 1970. The Carel Engine was built in 1904 in Ghent, Belgium and was shipped directly to Silloth. The 750 horsepower engine

was the heart of the Mill. Over a 24 hour period it produced the power to grind 160 tons of flower.

TV personality Fred Dibnah when he visited Carrs described the engine as the "industrial jewel of the north".



Above: Firemans Helmet Below: Some Serious Machinery



Solway Woodcarvers

Report by: Alison Robertshaw

Solway Woodcarvers were invited to take part in the three day Jubilee celebrations weekend on the Green in our home town of Silloth.

Luckily we had our marquee as the weather on the first two days did not feel very 'Summery', a cooling sea breeze was present but luckily no rain. We had various woodcarvings on display showing some of our regular members' own individual styles of work (one of the members being a very dedicated teenager which is good to see in this day & age)!

There was a steady throng of interested visitors to our exhibition during Saturday & Sunday. On Monday though, the sun decided to show face. The weather made a great impact on the volume of visitors..... it was bustling! As usual with these 'demos' people were astounded at the finished carvings so we received the usual comment of - 'I could never do anything like that'!

I said that twelve months ago!

The Solway Woodcarving Group have also participated in the 'local artists' window display in our nearby town of Wigton, so our members had to share their completed work between the two shows.

Many thanks go to all those who made these exhibitions successful promoting our hobby.

We have a busy time ahead - totem poles to make, featuring the primary school designs, RNLI relief carving for their raffle. Plus more various ideas are being suggested for the Green. WE NEED MORE MEMBERS to participate for these exhibitions to continue. We cannot continue shows of our work without more help so come and join us at The Space.

Cycle the Solway for the Hospice



Sharing the Caring

Cycle the Solway for the Hospice

After the Olympic torch has passed through the region The Cycle the Solway route will be the next event to pass through the area.

On Sunday 5th August the second Cycle the Solway event will pass through Allonby and Silloth as the 100k route winds its way through the Cumbrian countryside. The event in aid of Eden Valley Hospice is organised by Carlisle based company Scott Self Storage.

This year's event sees the inclusion of a 100k route, building on the 25k and 50k routes from last year. Stephen Scott, Managing Director at Scotts Self Storage, expects the event to raise approximately £10,000 for Eden Valley Hospice.

"The routes were originally created as a bonding exercise for myself, Ian Dixon and Luke Anderson. Ian is a keen cyclist who created the routes for us," explained Stephen Scott, Managing

Director at Scott Self Storage.

"However, as friends became interested in the ride numbers began to grow. We decided to create a purpose for the event and raise money for the Eden Valley Hospice." Added Stephen.

The increasing popularity of the cycle event has seen the organisers include a 100k route which will increase the challenge and potentially attract more participants. The new route will see the cyclists wind their way through the Cumbrian countryside reaching the West Coast and passing through Allonby and Silloth before returning to Carlisle

through Kirkbride.

All of the routes begin at the Border Reiver pub but will depart at different times and go their separate ways. Both the 25k and 50k routes will pass through Little Orton and head towards Kirkbride whilst the 100k route will head towards

Thornby to Moorhouse.
Participants of all cycling abilities and ages are being encouraged to participate in this years event. If you would like to take part in the event or for more information on the routes please contact Scott Self Storage on 01228 524 411 or visit www. evhospice.org.uk or www. scottselfstorage.co.uk.





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Gincase Exhibition



The latest exhibition features David Wood at The Gincase and runs until Friday 10th August.

David was just 17 when he joined the army towards the end of the war – training in Derbyshire, then Fort George, where there was a school of mountain and snow warfare, so David say's, "with army 'logic' I was sent to the Officers Training School in Bangalow India." He served in India during the period when the British were leaving with undue haste, and lowered flags and left Bombay around 1947 leaving great chaos and some blood shed behind.

David's family roots are farming in Suffolk, and worked there as well as Dorset and Hampshire on farms before deciding that he could not afford arable land and purchased a small dairy farm in Crowborough Sussex, milking 50 Ayrshires cows, kept pigs and poultry and working seven days each week!

After farming for twelve years in Sussex, he went into

civil engineering and worked for an international company involved in the storage of North Sea oil in the Shetland Isles, and working in many parts of the UK including the construction of an underground pumping station extracting water from Ullswater and delivering it into Haweswater in 1968.

Because he did not want to work in London or abroad, "why not live where we wanted and try to make a living?" They moved from Devon to Cumbria in 1975 when they purchased a former mill in Mungrisdale.

He retired in 1986 when his wife gave him a small box of paints and began to discover the joy and frustration of paint in various forms. "Since then I have been attempting to share something of the beauty I find in the natural world".

David Wood is very modest about his skills as an artist, but he has sold hundreds of paintings, and any exhibition of his work is well worth a visit.

Silloth Rotary News

By the time you read this, Geoff Betsworth will have taken over as president at the club for the new Rotary year, and for the first time at Silloth, we have husband and wife presidents of Rotary and Inner Wheel clubs in the same year.

During the evening of the presidential changeover at the Golf Hotel, it became apparent that there were a couple of visitors from the U.S. there on a cycling holiday. Francey Burke it transpired, is currently president of The Mid Jersey Cape Rotary Club, USA and her son is a member of Rotaract (which is Rotary for 18-30 year olds). It was refreshing to hear about life in a relatively small town stateside Rotary Club.

Interestingly, although we tend to think of things American as usually the biggest, they were rather surprised at the width of our roads here in Silloth. We wish Francey and her son a safe journey on their trip across to Newcastle via the Hadrian's Wall cycle route.

One of the highlights of the year was the The Queen's Diamond Jubilee and our club took part in the official celebrations by being selected as one of the 2012 beacons to be lit in sequence around the country. Many thanks to stalwart of town events, Lawrence Marshall for lighting the beacon on what was a particularly windy evening. Also thanks to the town's fire crew for the loan of their fire engine tannoy and for keeping an eye on things. There was a better turnout of people to watch the event than we had anticipated and along with

the ensuing firework display which was organized by S.T.A.G. it was a very memorable evening. Although it was not planned as a fundraising event, we usually have the yellow buckets handy in case there

is any

loose change looking for a receptacle to land in, and knowing Sillothian generosity as we do, it was no surprise that we collected over £110 on the night and yet again the members of the club would like to thank the townsfolk for that.

Still on the subject of the Jubilee, the members of the club would like to congratulate Silloth First Responders and particularly our club members Peter Gilmour, Fausto Previtali and Angus Emmerson on being awarded 'The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal' as a part of the Royal celebrations. Responders coordinator and Rotary Club Past President Peter Gilmour along with Past President Fausto Previtali have been involved since the formation of the Silloth group which recently celebrated its 10th anniversary.

Well done guys! Congratulations to Silloth Community College student Zoe Forster for winning the Rotary northwest district art competition. The entries had to have the 2012 London Olympics as the theme and were judged in two age groups, 11-13 and 14-17. Zoe's entry was the winner in the 14-17 group and if you would like to see some of her work, she has a blog at http://zoeforster.blogspot. co.uk and I can recommend

In May the club took part in the national stroke awareness campaign by holding a 'Know Your Blood Pressure' session at the town's Golf Hotel. As in previous years, there were a number of people who having had their blood pressure tested, were advised to make an appointment to see their doctor. Had they not popped in for a test, these people would probably still be unaware that their blood pressure was higher than it should be. Thanks to the First Responders and Sarah Betsworth for giving up their time to help make this event a success and also to the staff of the Golf Hotel for their

assistance on the day.

Rotary club members Tim Barker and Geoff Betsworth continue to produce a monthly audio newsletter for the visually impaired. This newsletter comprises items selected by Tim from various local news sources including the Solway Buzz and the Cumberland news. The newsletter, read by Tim, is recorded and edited in Geoff's recording studio and transferred to cassette for distribution by members of the club. If you know of anyone who suffers with a visual impairment and who might benefit from a copy of these newsletters, please contact Tim on 016973 31246 with the details. The newsletter is now also available as an MP3 file and you can find it on the club website.

If you would like to join the Rotary Club of Sillothon-Solway or one of the other 100-plus Rotary clubs across the North West area, please call 07748 098081 or speak to any Rotary Club member. Alternatively you can visit www.sillothrotary. org.uk







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CU Shirt Draw



Tom Stalker drawing the winning ticket with David Cross

Report by: Sue Kent

The raffle to win a Carlisle United football shirt signed by all the players took place on Saturday 31st June, at 4pm.

David and Claire Cross of C & D Supplies, Silloth sold the raffle tickets in their hardware store over the past few months and raised a fantastic £130 for Silloth RNLI lifeboat station.

It was at their request that the money raised should go directly to Silloth RNLI station. In addition to the raffle he had the RNLI charity box on the shop counter, this was also emptied and it raised a



further £37 to go towards the

The winning ticket (number 59) was drawn by Silloth RNLI Tractor Mechanic, Tom Stalker and belonged to Shaun Ferguson of Whitehaven.

Everyone involved at Silloth lifeboat station would like to thank David and Claire for their hard work and effort. Also a big thank you to all who bought the tickets.

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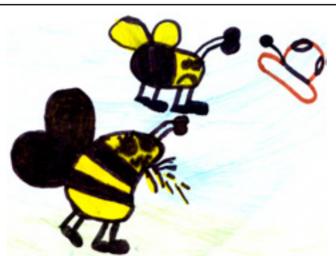
Allerdale Borough Council's Leader, Councillor Alan Smith, has revealed how Minister of State for Energy and Climate Change, Charles Hendry MP, has responded positively to the West Cumbria Economic Blueprint.

Councillor Smith, with representatives of the West Cumbria Strategic Forum met the minister in London on 26 June to discuss issues surrounding the development of the West Cumbrian economy.

Councillor Smith said: "I and my colleagues were greatly encouraged by Charles Hendry's understanding of the economic difficulties we face in our part of the country and by his enthusiastic response to the West Cumbria Economic

Blueprint. It cannot be stressed enough how important this Economic Blueprint is for the people of Allerdale and West Cumbria; it represents the future development of the local economy over the next 15 years. I have emphasised to the minister the prime importance of the Port of Workington in the economic growth of West Cumbria. Following considerable investment which has enabled major infrastructure regeneration, the Port is one of the gems of our area and its expansion is the way forward for West Cumbria, alongside the development of nuclear energy."

The Economic Blueprint was adopted by Allerdale Borough Council at the Meeting of Executive held on 24th May.



Sneezey Bee by Ella Thompson from Silloth Primary School

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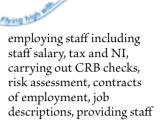
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Wigton - Market Charter Celebrations



This year Wigton is celebrating the 750th anniversary of it's market charter. The charter was granted to Walter de Wigton, Lord of the Manor, in 1262 by King Henry 111. Wigton is still a market town and is proud to continue to hold a market ever since it was granted.

Throughout this special year, a number of events have taken place with more events to come.

Something for the Summer

SFTS event will take place at Wigton Park on Saturday 4th August, and is an arts and music festival

aimed at families and people of all ages. The event, which follows on from last years very successful show, has again been organised by young people from the Youth Station.

The days events run from 11.00am - 4.00pm with the evening music event from 6.00pm until 10.00pm - ALL WELCOME.

Melvyn Bragg in conversation . . .

A major literary event is taking place in Wigton Market Hall on Saturday 1st September starting at 2.30pm.

ledding Dresses Through the Ages



Melvyn Bragg's guest will be the celebrated Booker Prize winning novelist and Independent Columnist Howard Jacobson. Following the interview, Mr Jacobson will be signing his newly released novel 'Zoo Time' and hopefully there will be time to chat with the

Launch of Wigton's New Market

To coincide with the 750th market charter celebrations, Wigton will be launching the 'New' weekly town centre market. The Market's new home will be on Water Street car park (subject to planning) and is part of Allerdale Borough Council's strategy to help revitalise town centres.

The new market has been developed through negotiations with Wigton Town Council, Wigton Partnership and Allerdale Borough Couneil and will be run by the councils market operator Geraud UK Ltd. The launch will take place on Friday 7th September with a fanfare of events including street entertainment, music, craft stalls, local produce and more - Please come along and support the market.

The Love and commitment of 750 years of marriage will be

plain to see, as you experience a unique insight into wed-

ding attire in Wigton from the 7th - 9th September 2012.

The three day exhibition, which is being organised by Isobel Scott,

takes place from 10am - 6pm daily in St Mary's Parish Church and will

feature 16 individual wedding settings from medieval to modern times

Each setting will present a bridal gown alongside a selection of fasina-

tors, fripperies and period jewellery.

from 2.00pm- 3.30pm.

A vision of Wigton

A free photographic exhibition to depict the history of Wigton,

through the lens of the camera. take will



place in Wigton Market Hall. The show of historic pictures is being presented by local social photographer Trevor Grahamslaw.

The exhibition is over 7th, 8th and 9th of September.

The Armourial Knights

On Sunday 9th September the Armourial Knights, a re-enactment group specialising in the medieval period will be setting up camp on Barton Laws. The camp will be open to the public from 10.00am - 4.00pm when you will be free to wander the camp and take part in the events taking place.

The Knight is one of the most recognisable images from the medieval period romanticised through the ages by literature such as 'King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table', lavish film and television productions like "Merlin" have helped to promote the





When the Normans, led by William the Conqueror, invaded England, they needed men to protect their

lands. Initially, young men took oaths to provide service and sometimes. fight for a lord or nobleman. Overtime, these men in service began to amass wealth and acquire their own lands, allowing them to pay for the supplies necessary to earry out military campaigns and have their own men-at-arms. Before long, knights became a class all to themselves.

A Civic Service of Celebration . . .

The service will take place in St Mary's Parish Church beginning at 11.00.am. The service is open to the public and the civic party will include the Lord Lieutenant of Cumbria, Lord Bragg of Wigton, the Chairman of Cumbria County Council, Rory Stewart MP and other invited dignitaries. Following the service there will be a parade through the streets led by horsemen in period costume, to the former Congregational Church in Water Street. Here the re-enactment of the handing over of the original Market Charter takes place, the charter will be read out and presented to Lord Bragg who will accept it as 'Lord of the Manor'. Following the presentation



Lord Bragg will unveil the new 'Cross' which is being carved by local craftsman Charles Miles. The carving of the cross was started by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales on his recent visit to Wigton.

Silloth Ladies 'Have it all sewn -up'

Members of the Silloth Sewing Circle have taken on their most elaborate job to date and risen to the challenge from Isobel Scott, who runs the Knoxwood Shop in the town.

Isobel met with organiser Penny Stimson and they discussed the making

of a medieval wedding dress. Penny

agreed the ladies would be willing to take on this fantastic project, so in February 2012 they embarked on the journey to produce an authentic wedding dress of the Elizabethan period, to be part of the exhibition in St Mary's.

Much of the work has been done by hand stitching, with a little done by machine. The farthingale was particularly difficult' said group leader Penny. 'There are tiers of metal bandings to enable the outer dress sit properly, this has taken weeks to get right' Penny continued," a dress like this must have taken months and months in Elizabethan times'. The dress will hopefully be completed in late July.

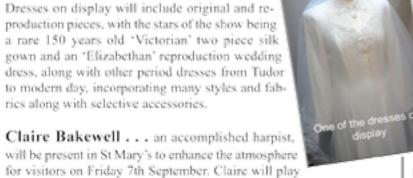
L/R -Margaret Spence, Yvonne Annall, Penny Stimson, Rose Blaylock, Sarah Hanford, Jennifer Bailey, Margaret Lawson and Isobel Scott

'I think what they have achieved so far is wonderful' said Isobel, 'they have all worked so hard and I am very grateful to them all, I can't wait to see it finished and to be part of the exhibition'.

Silloth Sewing Circle meet every Thursday in St Andrew's Church Hall from 1.00pm until 3.00pm. The group are looking for new members and the doors are open to everyone to come along and see what they are about. Organiser Penny Stimson, who was taught her skills by her mother, a professional tai-

Elizabethan Dress

A section of the



a selection of beautiful music for the harp, from 10.30am -12 noon and

lor/ seamstress, said she would love to see young mothers come along, who would like to learn how to sew and repair their children's clothes. Why not pop in , have a cup of tea and browse the many items which have been made by the group.

Silloth Vintage Rally



Report by: Eric Davenport for the committee

This year we held our 13th Vintage Rally on Silloth

After a dismal start on Saturday, it was a relief to find Sunday dawned fine and dry, bringing visitors from all over. The show was a great success with very favourable remarks from visitors and traders in Silloth who all thought it was the best rally so far.

One of our shows was The Seven Stanes, a mountain bike stunt show. They gave a great performance even though the wet grass was not the best ground for them.

We also had The Lincolnshire Regulators, a cowboy show that was very authentic with loud gunfire across the green. This team kindly donated £100 of their fee to our Lifeboat funds and were very impressed with Silloth.

Our thanks go to all who sponsored us through our magazine. Also to Silloth Council for the use of The Green. Last but never least, to S.O.S.C. Shop who have continually supported us over the 13 years.

We hope to see you all next year.







Above: one of the stunt cyclists Below: a very rare Pyke demonstrated how it made havstacks



Brenda's "Silloth"

Patchwork Classes

re-locating to: Methodist Church Hall Starting Monday 24th September 7pm to 9pm and Tuesday 25th September 1:30pm to 3:30pm

Newcomers welcome!

Exhibition of last years work at Silloth Community Craft Show on Sunday 2nd September from 11am to 4pm in Christ Church Hall Silloth

Dog Fouling Blitz

Allerdale Borough Council's crackdown on dog fouling is continuing this month with another blitz on 'hot spot' dog fouling areas.

The Council's environmental wardens and street scene officers will be working together to tackle areas of persistent dog

Leader of the Council, Councillor Alan Smith who has championed the Council's hard-line approach to dog fouling over the last few months, said: "People may have thought I was just paying lip-service to this issue; they were wrong.

"I'm committed to

tackling the scourge of dog fouling and if we are going to break the unsociable habits of the irresponsible dog walkers that don't scoop the poop after their dogs have fouled, then we need to keep up the enforcement work."

Councillor Michael Heaslip, Executive member with responsibility for tackling dog fouling, said: "Residents and visitors need to be aware that we are taking action to tackle irresponsible dog walkers. If you are a dog walker you are responsible for cleaning up after the dog whether it belongs to you or not. You are also responsible

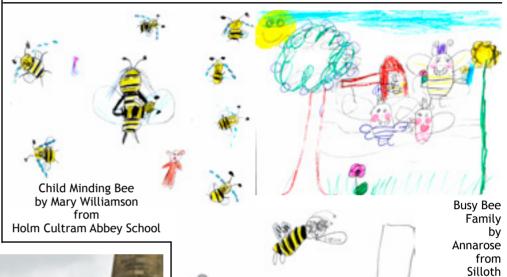
for disposing of the bagged faeces in bins; if there are no bins available then take it home and put it in your own rubbish bin. There are no excuses."

It is an offence for a person in charge of a dog at the time it fouls not to clean up its faeces in a public place. Failure to clean up after a dog has fouled may result in a fixed penalty fine of £75, payable within 14 days, or a fine of up to £1000 if court action is taken.

To report dog fouling, visit www.allerdale.gov.uk/ dog fouling, email customer. service@allerdale.gov.uk or telephone 01900 702800.

Primary

School



Baba Bee Bee by Jed from



SRA Jubilee Quiz Answers

Quiz sheets costing £1 were available from many locations around Silloth and from the committee members.

Correctly answers to all the questions were either Red, White or Blue.

- 1. White
- 2. White
- 3. Red 4. Red.
- 5. Blue then White
- 6. Red
- 7. White
- 8. Blue
- 9. White
- 10. Red 11. Red
- 12. Blue
- 13. White
- 14. White
- 15. Red
- 16. Red
- 17. Blue
- 18. White
- 19. Blue
- 20. Blue

The winner drawn on 6th July at the S.R.A. coffee morning was Ann Harrison and she received £10.

A big thank you to all who took part, the proceeds of £72 are going to support the Skinburness fete. Hope to see you all there.

SRA Pie & Pea Supper

first prize was a lovely basket of fruit.

Skinburness Residents

Association held a Pie & Pea

for their forthcoming Festival

week-end in August. A total

of £271 was raised and will

be going towards activities

and prizes. Profits from the

Fete will be shared between

Jenni Wilkinson and staff

the Pride of Cumbria Air Ambulance and Silloth

provided the Pie and Peas,

which had to be sampled to

This was followed by a

short bingo session compered

internet, never having played

it before, "where has he been"

more bemused with the first

you may ask. He was even

game which was 'stand up

was checking his card for

him. There were two more

games both of these games

Then it was John

Slattery's turn to entertain

us on the keyboard with his

take on the Old Time Music

Hall, thanks John for a good

A raffle was held and the

were won by the same lucky

bingo' and lo' and behold he

went and won it, his partner

by the editor of the Solway

Buzz. He researched how

to play the game on the

believe how delicious they

were, everyone was left

wanting more.

Lifeboat.

Supper in Chichester Hall,

Skinburness, on the 29th June. This was to raise money

of Scarecrow on the first

A big thank you must go to all who attended and especially those who donated prizes and the many helpers.

Roll on our next event, the Scarecrow Festival.
Members please note, there will not be a coffee morning during August, the week-end will be taken over with the summer festival.

The Fete will be opened by Mr Tim Barker at 1:30pm on the Friday.

Enjoy the Displays, Refreshments, Cakes, Tombola and Raffle in Chichester Hall. The grounds will display the Scarecrows and hold Craft Stalls, Games, Plant Stall, Face Painting & Ice-creams and the Tug of War £50 prize competition. The Skinburness Residents Association Marquee will provide further activities & prize competitions for all ages.

Make your own Scarecrow and have it

Report by: Kath Littleton Photo by: Pat Bell

displayed or come dressed as a scarecrow or just come as you are.

There will be lots to enjoy for everyone we look forward

to seeing you there.

Helpers & prize donations would be very much appreciated, local donations can be collected. Please contact the following for further information: Jennifer Wilkinson, Chichester Hall on 016973 32478 or Kath Littleton, Skinburness Residents Association on 016973 32180. All offers please by 30th July.



An Incomers View



Silloth is such an unforgettable little place now yet she was so prosperous and heaven for holiday makers fifty years ago when Silloth had a railway line

Report & Photo by: Winnie Luk

bringing tourists here.

No matter how much she has changed historically and economically, her beautiful scenery of sunset, crystallised blue sky and serene summer nights on the seafront still remain the same. The people may change, not the scenery.

With the current financial problems, Silloth may attract more and more holiday makers from all over Britain to have a short visit again. Though she may not be the final destination of those holiday makers, however, she may be one of

by Chloe Aird from Silloth Primary School

the by-passes for them to visit the Lake District and Scotland. At least here is where the holiday makers can find the Golf Hotel offering them a good glass of milky latte, a portion of fresh fish and chips with the same size as in the old days. Chinese and Indian takeaways sell our favourite sweet and sour food. You can find all your basic necessities in our two supermarkets. There are also excellent shops for visitors to explore.

Will Silloth get back her past glory? It will depend on

her local folks' creative ideas and effort. With the recent lottery funded renovation of the green with the water play area attracting families with children, this will help if the weather allows.

Here I think of the Red Indian singing and dancing for rain, probably we should sing and dance for sunshine. When there is sunlight, I will tell everybody that Silloth's sunlight can compare with California's.

This is a beautiful town that I like living in with lovely scenery.

Atlanta Vailionis





Children's Centre

Opening Hours: Monday 9:30am to 12:30pm fortnightly for the Childminders group also Monday 1pm to 3 pm term time Tuesday 1pm to 3 pm term time Wednesday 9:30am to 12:30 for Tots n Toddlers

Open at other times when the rooms have been booked, if you wish to use the Centre please call to make arrangements. We are more than happy to show people around, chat on a one to one basis or in small groups.

Contact Numbers: Silloth CC - 016973 31230 Aspatria CC - 016973 22777 Wigton CC - 016973 49555

Arthritis Support

Wigton Area Arthritis Support Group meet on 1st Friday each month at Loveday House, South End, Wigton @ 1:30pm, details from Gladys 016973 43964

Silloth Tots/Toddlers

Silloth Tots & Toddlers meet in the Children's Centre, Silloth and is open to all children aged from 0 to 4 accompanied by a parent/carer.

Sessions are on: Wednesdays: 10pm to 11:30am term time only Entry is £1 per family and this includes refreshments

All Welcome Call in for a friendly chat

Abbeytown Library

Abbeytown mobile library will stop outside the Wheatsheaf Inn at 1pm for an hour every Monday

Christ Church

For Christ Church baptisms and other church related business please contact: Rev Bryan Rothwell The Vicarage, Wigton Road Tel: 016973 31413

Civic Amenity Sites

Operated by Cumbria County Council. tel: 01228 606060 Maryport Tip, tel 01900 66922 open daily 8am to 6pm Wigton Tip, tel 016973 45617 open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday, 8am to 6pm

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Football Training

Silloth Football Club

Times 2011/2012 **Eden St Playing Field**

Under 9's Monday 5pm to 6pm Contact Carl Stanford 31868 Under 18's

Fridays 6pm to 7:30pm Contact Andrew Murphy 32434 Saturday Men's Team

Tuesday & Thursday 6:30pm to 8pm Contact John Slack 33192 Sunday Men's Team

Wednesday 6:30pm to 8pm David Brough 07584 687272

Open to boys and girls. Membership forms available from all coaches.

Secretary: Stephen Hart 32706

Karate Club

From Monday 9th January Silloth Karate Club will be moving to Solway Community School Hall.

under 12's 6:30 to 7:30pm 12's and over 7:30 to 9pm **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME** For further details contact Stephen on 07811 761033

Ballroom Dancing

In Mawbray Village Hall every Wednesday from 7:30pm to 9:30pm for both beginners and improvers, entry £2. All welcome. Telephone Gerry & Susan on

016973 32956

Kickboxing Club

The Kickboxing Club is held in Christ Church Hall every Thursday night from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. All welcome. www.solwaykickboxing. webeden.co.uk

Silloth RNLI Shop

Shop Opening Hours

Saturday 11am – 4pm Sunday 11am - 4pm Monday 1pm – 4pm Tuesday 1pm – 4pm Wednesday 11am – 4pm Thursday 1pm – 4pm Friday 1pm – 4pm

Our shop is entirely staffed by volunteers and may not open at the advertised times - we do apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause

Breastfeeding Group

Mondays 10am to 11:30am Wigton Bowling Club, West Road, Wigton Have a cup of tea and meet

other breast-feeding mums. Support and advice is available from trained Breast-feeding Peer Supporters and from Health Visitors or Midwives. For more information call Wigton Health Visitors: 016973 66608

Bridge Group

Meet on Wednesday evenings from 7 till 9pm, at the Golf Club to play Duplicate. Information from mike.md@btinternet.com.

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If your organisation has an event to promote or you have something to say, please note the next copy date.

Dates for the Diary

July

24th **Skinburness Residents** Association Members meeting in Chichester Hall 7pm new members welcome

28th Abbevtown Carnival meet at 12:15pm, Parade 1pm

English Golf Union Amateur Championship at Silloth on Solway Golf Club

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> Check out SolwayBuzz.co.uk for photos of local events

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August

Solway Parkinson's 1st Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm, contact 016973 52527, speaker Ruth Greenhalgh, Clinical **Psychologist**

English Golf Union 1st Amateur Championship at Silloth on Solway Golf Club

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Skinburness Scarecrow Festival & Open Weekend at Chichester Hall with Skinburness Residents Association, all welcome, free

Youth Tag & Touch Rugby with Silloth Tigers from 10am to 2pm

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Youth Tag & Touch Rugby with Silloth Tigers from 10am to 2pm

5th Skinburness Scarecrow Festival & Open Weekend at Chichester Hall with Skinburness Residents Association, all welcome, free

English Golf Union Amateur Championship at Silloth on Solway Golf Club

Crunch Service in 11th Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

Holme Low Parish Council meeting at 7:30pm in Silloth Community Hall, Petteril Street, Silloth

24th www.Solfest.org.uk

25th www.Solfest.org.uk

26th www.Solfest.org.uk 26th

Silloth A.F.C. 5-a-Side Competition and Family Fun Day at Eden Street Playing

27th Silloth Carnival

September

Silloth & District 1st Pensioners Anniversary Coffee Morning at 10am in the Recreation Hall

Children's Once 1st Upon a New Sale in Beacon Hill School, Aspatria from 1 to 4pm entry adults £1, children free Tel: 016973 45512

1st Booker Prize Winner Howard Jacobson in conversation with Melvyn Bragg in Wigton Market Hall, 2:30pm to 4:30pm, followed by book signing of 'Zoo Time'

Community Craft Show in Christ Church Hall, Silloth from 11am to 4pm

Silloth Town Council meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm, contact 016973 52527, speaker Averil Dawson, Down Memory

> Errors do occur in Dates for the Diary Please check before attending an event

September cont'd

Silloth Music & Beer 6th

Skinburness Residents Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am new members welcome

Silloth Music & Beer **Festival**

8th Silloth Music & Beer **Festival** 9th Silloth Music & Beer

Festival 12th Causewayhead WI meeting in St Andrews Church Hall at 7:15pm, Razzle Dazzle

15th Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park

Brenda's Patchwork Classes start in the Methodist

Church Hall, 7pm to 9pm

from 9am to 11am

Brenda's Patchwork Classes in the Methodist Church Hall, 1:30pm to 3:30pm

October

Silloth Town Council meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm. contact 016973 52527, speaker on Parkinson's Research

Skinburness Residents Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am new members welcome

Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning at 10am in the Recreation Hall

Causewavhead WI meeting in Trinity Methodist Church Schoolroom at 7:15pm, My life as a minister

Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

Bonfire & Fireworks Display on Silloth Airfield at

November

2nd **Skinburness Residents** Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am new members welcome

3rd Silloth & District Pensioners Pre-Christmas Tea at 2pm in st Andrews Church Hall

Silloth Town Council meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm, Carol Purves, Chinese Whispers

November cont'd

Holme Low Parish Council meeting at 7:30pm in Silloth Community Hall, Petteril Street, Silloth

10th Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

RNLI Race Night in Silloth Social Club

Causewayhead WI meeting in Trinity Methodist Church Schoolroom at 7:15pm,

December

Silloth & District Pensioners Annual Christmas Party

Silloth Town Council meeting at 7pm in Community Hall, Petteril Street

Solway Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, lunch at 12:30pm contact 016973 52527, speaker Christmas Dinner

Skinburness Residents Association Coffee Morning in Chichester Hall 10am -11:30am new members welcome

Carol Concert in

St Andrews Church Hall, Silloth in aid of RNLI at 7pm Crunch Service in

Skinburness Road Car Park

from 9am to 11am Causewayhead WI meeting in Trinity Methodist Church Schoolroom at 7:15pm,

January 2013

Causewayhead WI meeting in Trinity Methodist Church Schoolroom at 7:15pm, members night

Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park

February

from 9am to 11am

Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

March

Crunch Service in Skinburness Road Car Park from 9am to 11am

Do you have an event in the area bounded by Abbeytown, Mawbray, Silloth, Skinburness, if so please let us know.

Wigton & Solway **Breastfeeding Group**

Mondays 10am to 11:30am Wigton Bowling Club, West Road, Wigton

A friendly, informal, group where mums with babies and expectant mums can come, have a cup of tea and meet up with other breast-feeding mums. Babies' siblings are welcome to come along. Support and advice is available from trained Breastfeeding Peer Supporters and from Health Visitors or Midwives during the sessions. For more information call

Wigton Health Visitors: 016973 66608

Letters

Dear Buzz.

I have recently been loaned several copies of Silloth Community News which was the predecessor of the Solway Buzz. The copies I have seen range from July 1983 to September 1988. I would be most grateful if any reader has further copies which they would be willing to loan, so I can further research the history of events in the town of Silloth, along with the names and addresses of shops which have changed hands over the past years. This was a passion of the late Marilyn Smith/Amyes and which her husband Bill and myself are trying to put together as a history of the town. Any articles loaned will be returned as soon as possible, thanking you in

> Graham Wilkinson 5 Mary Street Silloth Tel. 016973 31146

Dear Buzz,

anticipation.

Tis said. If it's good, spread the word. Back in May we were discussing, with friends, our forthcoming trip to Worcester. That's about a four and a half hours journey, where do you stop for a break on the M6 was asked. Knutsford, Sandbach or Keele we replied. Ah ah! We have found a little gem just off the motorway and it will only add about 3 to 4 miles to your trip. Leave at junction 15 (Stoke) and follow the A519 to Eccleshall, then it's only 5 miles, on the A5103, back to junction 14 and you will find it well worth the additional miles. When you reach the small traffic island in the town turn right up the High Street and about 100 yards, on your left is The Royal Oak. A splendid half timbered old Coaching Inn, recently fully restored, to a very high standard, by Joules Brewery. The whole experience was

one of total satisfaction. The food was excellent and sensibly priced, the service was efficient and friendly and the timbered surroundings, set off by the attractive stained glass windows, almost had us listening out for the clatter of horses hooves and carriages outside on the cobbles. Finally, the yardstick for all hostelries has to be the cleanliness of the toilets. They were immaculate.

Mustn't forget to mention that the very long High Street was an absolute blaze of colour, created by dozens of large flower baskets mounted on 7ft poles interspersed with equally large tubs. Virtually all the buildings had wall brackets, each one holding a Union Flag (not one was upside down) there's pride and organisation for you. We would certainly suggest that if you are heading south on the M6 that you go that extra mile or so. You will not be disappointed. For much more information and interesting history visit their websites www. rovaloakeccleshall.co.uk

> Mike & Sandy Faulkner, Abbeytown

and joulesbrewery.co.uk

Wishing you safe and

enjoyable travelling.

Hello Buzz!

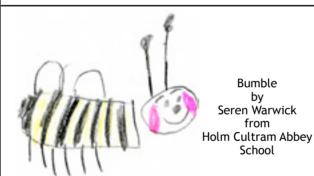
I'm writing to you to thank you for keeping me up to date while being on deployment serving in the Royal Navy. I grew up in and around Silloth and live in Abbeytown. I was working on an American Aircraft Carrier in the Arabian gulf earlier this year and the Buzz really helped me keep up to date with goings on at home. I am currently working in Cyprus and regularly read Keep up the good work!

> ABCT1 Jones LC Royal Navy Terrestrial Radio Frequency Operations

Poems

Jubilee by Joan Bennett

Which one do they mean? I had asked my brother. Do they mean the diamond, or perhaps another. The one I remember with so much clarity. When we played football for Prince Charles's charity. Silver I think it was. Twenty five years. This football match ended with so many tears. Not sad ones, I feel I must hasten to add. But glad ones, for what a good time we all had. Us canteen ladies from our local school. Thought this would be fun, so come one and all. We put up our posters in all local shops. Not expecting to see much support, but so what. We played in the park, our opponents were many. There were teams from the factories, chosen by Jenny. Jenny our referee thought it was fun. To choose all the young ones, give us old ladies a run. Most canteen ladies in our thirties would be. How cruel was that of our referee. To make matters worse the youth club she chose. To be our first match, to this we opposed. My decision is final, that's the rules she told us. So put on your strips and stop making a fuss. We'd borrowed our strip from the Rugby Club. We thought they would fit, we were all quite a tub. Onto the pitch we ran, our legs felt like jelly. But horror of horrors, the crowd were so many. There must be five hundred, my friend June did say. How will we face them if we lose today. Up and down the pitch we ran, bottoms swinging like bells. The girls from the youth club could run like gazelles. Losing the match came as no great surprise. But humiliation was worth it to see tears in their eyes. We ached from the laughing we ached from the run. But to see so much laughter, it had all been great fun. So thank you Your Majesty for your years of devotion. I wish you had seen all the fun and emotion.





BBQ Bees by Jessica Campbell from Moordale Caravan Park

Summer Reading

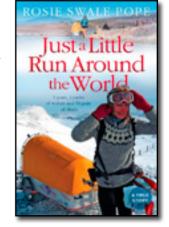
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Just A Little Run Around The World by Rosie Swale-Pope

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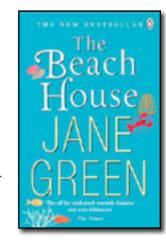
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and Nan's son Michael, on the rebound after a disastrous love affair of his own. Soon the rambling old house has come to life with the sound of children laughing, life streaming all around.

This is a sweetly memorable summer story, capturing the relaxing, renewing quality of life at the

Jubilee by Shelley Harris

It's 1977, the day of the Queen's Silver Jubilee, when a photographer captures a moment forever: a festive street party with bunting and Union Jacks fluttering in the breeze and, right in the centre of the frame, a small Asian boy staring intensely at the camera. The photo becomes infamous when it is adopted as a symbol of everything that is great and good about Britain, but what is the real story behind it? Relationships between the neighbours on Cherry Gardens are far from easy, and minor frictions threaten to erupt as the street party begins...Fast forward to the present and that boy, Satish, is now a successful paediatric heart surgeon, saving lives



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This month the winner is Abigail Mossop from Silloth Primary School with a bee called "Bow-Bee".

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			DEPTH ON NEW DOCK GAUGE							
				High	Water	Low Water				
Date		Morning		Afternoon		Morning		Afternoon		
			Time	m	Time	m	Time	m	Time	m
1	W		10.58	7.0	23 14	7.4	05 32	-0.8	17.53	-0.8
2	TH	0	11.44	7.2	23.58	7.6	06.26	-1.1	18 44	-0.9
3	E				12.25	7.3	07 14	-1.2	19.28	-1.0
4	SA		00.38	7.7	13 05	7.3	07.55	-1.2	20.08	-1.0
5	SU		01 18	7.6	13 43	7.1	08 35	-1.1	20 44	-0.8
6	М		01.56	7.4	14 18	6.7	09 07	-0.9	21 16	-0.6
7	TU		02.32	7.1	14.52	6.4	09.37	-0.6	21.47	-0.3
8	W		03 10	6.6	15.31	6.1	10.05	-0.2	22 18	0.1
9		(03 52	6.1	16 16	5.5	10.36	0.1	22 58	0.4
10	F		04 44	5.5	17 14	5.1	11 17	0.4	23 53	0.7
11	SA		05.49	5.0	18.30	4.9			12.18	0.7
12	SU		07.09	4.8	19.50	5.0	01.12	0.9	13.42	0.8
13	M		08.26	5.0	20 57	5.4	02.33	0.6	14 56	0.6
14	TU		09.26	5.5	21 48	6.0	03 40	0.4	15 56	0.3
15	W		10 12	6.0	22 28	6.5	04 34	-0.1	16 46	-0.1
16	TH		10.50	6.5	23.05	7.0	05.22	-0.4	17.32	-0.4
17	F	•	11.25	6.9	23.39	7.3	06 07	-0.7	18 16	-0.6
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19	SU		00 14	7.5	12 35	7.4	07.30	-1.1	19.38	-1.0
20	М		00.51	7.7	13 15	7.5	08 08	-1.1	20 17	-1.0
21	TU		01.30	7.7	13.55	7.4	08 46	-1.1	20.55	-0.9
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26	SU		06 11	5.6	18 56	5.6	00 13	0.1	12 59	0.3
27	M		07.40	5.5	20.15	6.0	01.43	0.2	14.27	0.2
28	TU		08 59	6.0	21.23	6.4	03 09	-0.1	15 44	-0.1
29	W		09 59	6.4	22 16	7.0	04.22	-0.4	16.47	-0.4
30	TH		10.47	6.9	23 01	7.4	05 21	-0.8	17.41	-0.7
31	F	0	11.28	7.2	23 40	7.6	06.11	-1.0	18.25	-0.9

Tide Tables supplied by ABP Port of Silloth Times shown in UTC. Add 1 hour for British Summer Time

On the Water Front

Report by: Captain Slog (Assisted by Liz at John Stronach Shipping Agency)

June 2012

2nd Thurkus from Gdynia with fertilizer, then in ballast to Gdynia. 3rd Ben Varrey from Sharpness with wheat, then in ballast to Liverpool. 6th Antwerp from Santander with wood pulp, then in ballast to sea for orders.

14th Ben Varrey from Liverpool with wheat, then in ballast to Liverpool. 17th Britannica Hav from Vierow with wheat, then in ballast to Ramsvik.

19th Thurkus from Gdynia with fertilizer, then in ballast to Eikefet.

19th Taranto from Ghent with fertilizer, then in ballast to Holyhead.

20th Aveiro from Alverca with fertilizer, then in ballast to Ellesmere Port.

This might be an opportune time of the year to advise or remind locals and tourists alike, of the behaviour and occasional danger of the Solway tides. These notes should be read in conjunction with Silloth Tide Tables, which are published adjacent to this article. Note that the times given relate to "Greenwich Mean Time" (GMT). During "British Summer Time", (usually end of March to end of October), one hour should be added to the times listed.

Silloth Tide Tables indicate the predicted times of High and Low Water at Silloth and also the predicted heights that the tide will reach on the tide board at



the entrance to the New or Inner Dock. A prediction is what it says, and is therefore no guarantee of the actual time and tidal height on the day, (see below). High Water times for Allonby and Beckfoot will occur approximately ten and five minutes respectively, before High Water at Silloth. The further up the Solway Firth you proceed, the later will be the time of High Water, e.g. at Annan it occurs approximately twenty minutes later than at Silloth. The Tidal Range, (the difference in height between High and Low Water), at Silloth and during Spring Tides can be as much as 10 metres. At these times the tidal flow off Silloth can reach a speed of 4 knots (5.5 mph).

Low Water in the Silloth area occurs approximately seven hours after High Water. This means that the next incoming tide has only approximately five and a half

hours to reach its next High Water cycle. Consequently, the incoming tide flows at a much faster rate than the outgoing tide. The further up the estuary you go, the faster the incoming flow becomes. Occasionally, the incoming tide in the higher reaches has just three hours to run, creating a fierce current of water developing into a moving wall of water known as a Tidal Bore.

The predicted times and heights of tides given in the Silloth Tide Tables are usually accurate, but both can be affected by weather conditions. If the region is experiencing low barometric pressure, the tide is likely to rise above the predicted height. Conversely, if the region is in a high barometric pressure area, the tide may not reach the predicted height. Differences up to half a metre may be experienced. The wind will also influence the tidal height and times of High and Low Water.

Strong South-Westerlies may increase the tidal height by up to a metre or more, whilst Northerly and Easterly winds may reduce heights by half a metre. Extremes of pressure or strong winds can shift the High and Low Water times by up to twenty minutes. Consider the problems that all these variable influences can create for the Harbour Master and shipping pilots, when they are assessing whether it is safe to bring a deeply laden ship with little underwater clearance, up the Solway and into the port at Silloth!

From approximately forty minutes before High Water is reached at Silloth, an outward flowing countercurrent may start to be experienced close to the shore. As the tide ebbs away, numerous shifting sandbanks become visible from the shore. Be advised that there are deep channels and strong currents between the shore and any exposed sandbanks.

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Age 6 – 7

Mary had a little lamb, Its fleece was white as snow And everywhere that Mary went, The lamb was sure to go.

Age 8 – 9

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The squalling cat and squeaking mouse, The howling dog by the door of the house, The bat that lies in bed at noon, All love to be out by the light of the moon.

But all of the things that belong to the day Cuddle to sleep to be out of her way; And flowers and children close their eyes Till up in the morning the sun shall arise.

On Sunday we set off for the West Beach.

On Monday we went to explore.

On Tuesday the twins swam with armbands.

On Wednesday we dug on the shore.

On Thursday Mum lost her best handbag.

On Friday we had bags of chips.

On Saturday Grand ma and Grand dad rang up

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On Sunday the flag said 'No Swimming'

On Monday we had a bad storm.

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22 Jar Raspberry Jam 23

Jar Strawberry Jam 24 Jar Lemon Curd

Jar Marmalade

26 Jar Rum Butter

5 Pieces of Treacle Toffee 27

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An article in counted Cross Stitch 32

An article of Embroidery 33

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35 A photograph of the Solway

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38 A gift using any Needlecraft Skill

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of Christine and her team at the Rugby Club. Once again they proved to be the perfect hosts and put on a lovely buffet for the players. So we would just like to say a big thank you to everybody at the Rugby Club for the fantastic support they have shown Silloth A.F.C. all season long.

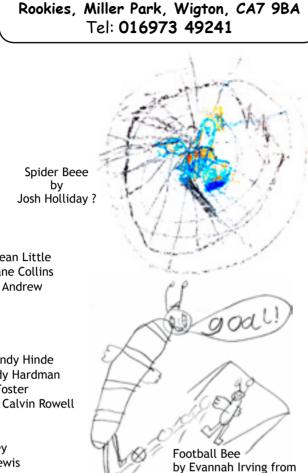
So that is another season complete for Silloth A.F.C., but with the next one right around the corner the preparations have already begun to ensure the club has another successful year in 2012/13. I'll sign off with list of the award winners for the Sunday team and Saturday team.

Sunday Team award winners -Manager's Player of the Year - Sean Little Players' Player of the Year - Shane Collins Most Man of the Match Awards - Andrew

Most Improved - Kris Nichol Top Goalscorer - Shane Collins Saturday Team award winners Manager's Player of the Year - Andy Hinde Players' Player of the Year - Andy Hardman Young Player of the Year - Dan Foster Most Man of the Match Awards - Calvin Rowell Most Improved - Mark Glencross Top Goalscorer - Andy Hinde Goal of the Season - Ryan Hanley Clubman of the Year - Gareth Lewis

Chairman's Prize - John Slack





Silloth Primary School

Silloth Tennis Club



Report by: David Wise

Birthday Girl Libby Victorious At Under 8 **Maryport Event**

Libby Millican had double cause for celebration on her 8th birthday as she won her first ever Mini Red Tennis competition at Maryport. It was also a great day for Silloth Tennis Club as first time competitors Ella Thompson, Sophie Hetherington, Jenson Scott, Ellis Mattinson and Darci Slack all came away with wins in the group stages. In fact it was Darci who was Libby's opponent in the final. In what turned out to be a thriller Libby even saved a match point as she came through 7-6.

SILLOTH TENNIS CLUB **OLYMPIC CAMPS**

The club are running three days of sports camps at the Tennis Courts during the first week of the school holidays. They are £15 for the three days, or free to Tennis club members. For further information please call David on 07742 547767.



Birthday girl Libby Millican on the left

Footie Bee Kerian Russell holiday at Silloth



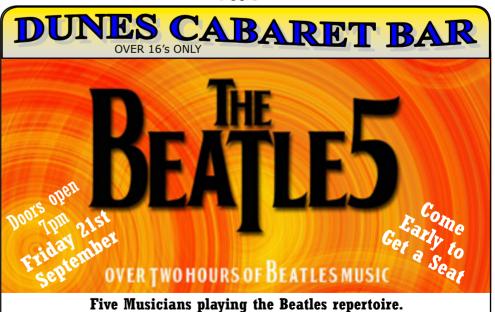
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Silloth Football Club

Report by: Gareth Lewis

Silloth A.F.C. **Presentation Night**

Silloth A.F.C. held its annual presentation night on Saturday 9th June (in the Silloth Rugby Club) to celebrate the outstanding achievements of players from both the Sunday team and the Saturday team.

The first season for Silloth's new Sunday team (Silloth Albion) has proved to be a great success. Not only have they enjoyed some excellent results on the pitch, but they have a fine squad of players who will help make Silloth Albion an integral part of the football club for years to come. Special mention must go to David Brough, Colin Blakely and Colin Baty who helped set up and run the Sunday team. The club is also deeply indebted to the generosity of Bill and Wendy from the Albion who not only paid for the Sunday team to join the league, but also put food on for the players after each home match.

The Saturday team (the Seagulls) will be competing against the 'big boys' next season after they clinched promotion to the Tesco Premier League with an exciting brand of football that brought them 161 goals in all competitions! Although they missed out on silverware this season (losing 3 cup semi-finals and missing out on the title by 1 point) manager John Slack and his assistant Liam Wilson were more than happy with the progress the team has made this year.

This season the football club has once again received huge support from the local community. The generosity shown towards the club through fund raising and sponsorship from local businesses (The Albion, the Rugby Club, Club Victoria Pizza Cafe, Jobby Dunn



Andy Hardman received his trophy from manager John Slack

After picking up the Players' Player of the Year award at the Silloth A.F.C. presentation night Andy Hardman was honoured once again as his haul of 34 league goals earned him the title 'Tesco Division One Leading Goalscorer 2011/12'.

This is a fantastic achievement for Andy and is just reward for all the hard work he put in last season. His goals played a big part in helping Silloth win promotion to the Tesco Premier League and along side his team mate Andy Hinde (who scored 32 league goals) he was part of the most potent strike force in either division.

'The Seagulls' manager John Slack was proud to present Andy with his leading goalscorer trophy, but was keen to point out that he was expecting 35 league goals from Hot Shot Hardman next season!

Builders, Solway Private Hire, Enkey, C&D Supplies and the Community Shop) is the life blood of the club. Also the support shown to our teams on match days (both home and away) has been outstanding and is very much appreciated by all the players. Silloth A.F..C. is privileged to be backed by the finest set of supporters any team could wish for and on behalf of the club I'd just like to say how grateful we are for your continued support.

It was no surprise then

that the Rugby Club was packed for the presentation night, as players and supporters partied hard to a superb set from local rock band Rigsby. More fun and games were had when the raffle winners were drawn out and then a football signed by Carlisle United

Silloth Junior Golf

Report by: E Walton Photo by: M Smith

The excellent, early season form of our Juniors continues to impress. Low scoring and handicap reductions are making our competitions more competitive and subsequently, much harder

Owen Dowie has had an excellent start to the season, playing some fantastic golf and has picked up four competition victories, at the same time, continuing to reduce his handicap. Luke Wooldridge is close behind as he has won three trophies and reduced his handicap to 13.

We still continue to offer FREE COACHING to all juniors, those without a handicap and those with handicaps. Anyone interested who would like further information can contact the Club on 016973 31304 and 32404.

This year, in the Ladies Open Singles Competition, one of our Junior Girls, Emily Smith (12 years old) won the Bronze Division Section. She played superb golf and finished nine strokes clear of her opponents. Emily also won the Cecil Leitch Cup for the Best Silloth Player.

Well played Emily, A golf star of the future!

players was auctioned off (raising another £50 for the club). A great night was had by all which was in no small part down to the hospitality

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Competition Results:							
	Winner	Runner Up					
Captain Drive In	O. Dowie	N. Murray					
Fraser Cup	L. Wooldridge	O. Dowie					
Walton Cup	O. Dowie	L. Wooldridge					
Ridgeway Cup	L. Wooldridge	B. Hodgson					
Proudlock Cup	O. Dowie	B. Hodgson					
Gordon Trophy	B. Hodgson	M. Martin					
Rotary Shield	L. Wooldridge	N. Murray					
Seacote Trophy	R. Murphy	M. Martin					
Glencross Trophy	M. Martin	O. Dowie					
Fred Todd Trophy	O. Dowie	D. Stockdale					

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