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# New Community Garden For All To Enjoy on the Green

# Brents

25th May Silloth Green Day

21st & 22nd June Silloth Vintage Rally

19th & 20th July Silloth Kite Festival

26th July Abbeytown Carmival

# 15th August Theatre on the Green

17th August Beach Half Marathon

> 25th August Silloth Carnival



Children in Silloth have adopted a flower in their new Community Garden. On Wednesday 14th May a group from the Community College began planting at 9am. Youngsters from the Nursery took over at 10am followed by the Primary School children, who began their stint at 11am.

The children were supported by Friends of the Green and helped by gardening experts from Moota Garden Centre, who will also provide advice on the care of the plants. Others in the community, young and old, able-bodied and disabled, can arrange to adopt a bed or flower.

Friends of the Green have supported the practical development of the garden and the professional design was put together by Moota Garden Centre, who met with members of the local community in July last year to discuss what ideas they would like included. As a result, a number of different and imaginative zones are now being created within the garden area.

tears, and featuring many different carved images. Magical figures and other representations connected with Silloth Green's history and the Green's close proximity to the Solway are making the chair truly representative of the town.

It will be unveiled at the official opening of the garden, due to take place at 10:30am on Silloth Green Day, Sunday 25th May. The garden, small but beautiful, is for the community, and everyone is invited to come along and help celebrate the opening, and to walk around and explore the different zones and flowers. All parents are invited to bring their children, dressed as their favourite story character to enjoy some stories read by Tim Barker. Afterwards, they will be able to join in a Gruffalo Treasure Hunt in their garden, organised by a team from the local nursery.



Page 16 Top Gun!



4th to 7th September Silloth Music & **Beer Festival** 

7th September Silloth Craft Show

24th October Bonfire Night on Silloth Ainfield

The new community garden on Silloth Green sits at the corner of Criffel Street and Lawn Terrace.

The project has been funded by Heritage Lottery, and is part of the Green's major refurbishment plan, which has been overseen by the Town Council.

Friends of the Green also sought additional funding to buy a bug house and other interesting additions for the sensory zone. In addition, they sought funds to commission a story telling chair for the garden from the Silloth-on-Solway Woodcarvers. Led by Clive Firth and his merry band of men, the huge green oak chair - weighing in excess of a quarter of a ton - is developing into a true work of art, built over a great many months with love, blood, sweat and

The Solway Buzz is a FREE community paper with a circulation of 5,500 copies for the area around Abbeytown, Skinburness, Silloth-on-Solway and Mawbray

# **Christ Church Clock Appeal**



Report & Photo by: **Kevin Anderton** 

Silloth Freemasons have made a donation of £100

towards the Christ Church Clock Restoration Appeal. Ivan Lomas on the left watches as the Master

of Miramar Lodge 4470 Martyn Nixon presents a cheque for £100 to Canon Bryan Rothwell.

# War & Airfield Memories

Silloth Tourism Action Group (STAG) are delighted to receive a £9,600 Heritage Lottery Fund grant

This exciting project, 'Silloth: The Impact of War' led by Silloth Tourism Action Group (STAG) has been given £9,600 for a project to research the history of Silloth Airfield and community memories of the town's wartime years, in order to preserve this rich information for future generations.

Volunteers from the community will participate in the project and will gather information from local people who recall memories of that period. They will also look at how Silloth accommodated the many airmen who arrived in the town during World War II, the supply of local services and development of a new infrastructure, what aircraft were used, how pilots were trained, air accidents and what became known as the 'bodies on the beach' Also, decommissioning of the aircraft and the legacy of the airfield, eg. the arrival of new businesses and the impact on the local economy.

After suitable training, volunteers will help produce multi-media and a short film of these memories. A small museum area will

be set up to hold some wartime artefacts and illustrate the town's journey through the war years.

In addition, community workshops will be held to discuss the findings and the project will culminate in a performance drama on Silloth Green to celebrate the town's rich wartime heritage. This initiative is an exciting one that will acknowledge the importance of Silloth airfield during the last world war and its impact on the local community over the years.

John Cook, Chairman of STAG said: "This is fantastic news for Silloth. The HLF grant will help us to preserve Silloth's World War II legacy and the important memories of people in the community who lived through the war. These not-to-be forgotten experiences will be saved for future generations to learn more about their heritage and for future community activities."

Sara Hilton, Head of the Heritage Lottery Fund North West England said: "Sharing Heritage is a wonderful opportunity for communities to delve into their local heritage and we are delighted to be able

to offer this grant so that 'Silloth, 'The Impact of War' can embark on a real journey of discovery. Heritage means such different things to different people, and HLF's funding offers a wealth of opportunities for groups to explore and celebrate what's important to them in their area."

Can you help? Either as a volunteer, or with memories, call Anna on 016973 31816.



Tuesday May 27th at Culterham Hall, Mawbray from 11am – 3pm for 8 years +

# Skinburness **Residents Association**

The Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 29th April 2014. Grahame thanked everyone for their efforts in the previous year and was looking forward to the year ahead.

The following Officers were re-elected: Chairman - Grahame Littleton Vice Chairman - Pat Bell Honorary Secretary - Beryl Killen/Alison Scott Honorary Treasurer - Roger Blake Other committee members are - Ann Harrison -Marjorie Littleton - Angela Ellwood - Kath Littleton If you would like to join the Association please

contact any member of the Committee. Annual subscription is £1 per household payable in April each year.

In the year ahead, the Association will continue to pursue the owners of the Skinburness Hotel regarding building safety. The Association is also investigating the visibility of flood signs on the Marsh Road.

If there are any issues or concerns which you think that the Association may be able to assist you with, please feel free to contact us by emailing the Honorary Secretary on seaspray22@ btinternet.com or tel: 016973 32359.



Keehan Bee by Bobby Forbes from Holme St Cuthbert School



Views on what public want from pharmacies needed.

Cumbria' Health and Wellbeing Board is seeking the views of the public, pharmacies and other interested organisations about provision of pharmacy services in Cumbria.

Under the Health and Social Care Act 2012 Health and Wellbeing Boards are now responsible for developing regular Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNA) for their area. Previously, NHS primary care trusts carried out these routine assessments which act as a guide for people wishing to open new pharmacies or dispensaries in Cumbria, or if existing pharmacies wish to expand. The last PNA was carried out in Cumbria in 2011.

Until 30th May, the public, pharmacies and all interested parties can help shape Cumbria's new PNA at www.haveyoursay.org.uk.

The feedback will help to develop a draft PNA which will be published later this year for a formal 60-day consultation.







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# Silloth Green Day

The annual Silloth Green Day will be held on Sunday 25th May. Starting in the morning at 10:30am with the official opening of the Community Garden, followed by story telling in the garden from the new story telling chair, carved lovingly over many months by the Silloth-on-Solway Woodcarving group led by Clive Firth. A Gruffallo Treasure Hunt will follow the story telling session, organised in the new garden by the local Nursery.

Afterwards, families can enjoy a fun-filled day with live music, rides on the donkeys, a Punch and Judy show, Balloon Making, Face Painting and Cooking Demonstrations from John Crouch. And the water play

area will be open. There will also be some local produce, and some vintage vehicles on the Green. The exciting new group, Silloth Sequins Morris Dancers, will be performing. In addition, families are

invited to bring their dogs



along to take part in a Family Dog show. Performances/ classes will take place from 1:30pm. Judges are looking for the dog with the waggiest tail, the dog in the best condition, and the dog with the best six legs (dog plus owner), also the dog most like its owner, best veteran over seven years old, dog with the funniest fancy dress, the one the judge would like to take home, and the dog doing the best tricks. All dog owners invited to bring their pet along to take part.

The Holme St Cuthbert's History group will be showcasing some of their vintage photos and inviting

conversations. The closure of the railway in Silloth will play an important part this year since the 50 year Anniversary will be on 7th September 2014. Bring along any of your own vintage photos and reminisce.

In addition, everyone is invited to bring along old photos associated with Silloth and the local airfield. Come along and tell your story of the War Years in Silloth. All local memories are important for inclusion in the new Heritage Lottery Funded project called 'Silloth: The Impact of World War II.

# **Easter Bonnets on Show**



Report by: Lawrence Marshall Photos by: Kevin Anderton

Christ Church Easter Coffee Morning was held in the Church hall on a very fine Easter Saturday and was opened by Canon Bryan Rothwell.

The quality of the Easter Bonnets and the decorated baskets was very high. The proud owners of the entries paraded round the hall to the delight of all.

The stalls were very busy especially the food stall. The drawing added to the welcome result of £527 for church funds.

Grateful thanks to all who helped in any way in the kitchen and serving coffee and scones and the volunteers manning the stalls and all those who came and supported the event.



# SILLOTH & DISTRICT PENSIONERS

Report by: Diana Shaw

The May Coffee Morning was held on Saturday 3rd. The committee provided tea, coffee, home baked scones, home made jam and biscuits which everyone enjoyed. As usual there was a buzz of conversation in the room mingled with laughter.

The raffle had nine winners: Mary Eccles, Joan Lampot, Mary Bragg, Graham Wilkinson, Eddie Maybury, Margorie Roberts, Doreen Caruthers, Robina Bond & Pat Bell.

The various stalls did well, the cake stall heavily laden with an excellent choice of cakes, the bric a brac had lots of new items displayed including costume jewellery. A trip is being organised to Southport

in July, for details and price ring Maureen Irving on 31927. Thanks to all who helped in any way to make the morning the success it was. We raised was £178.50.

Alien Bee





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David Allen, Chartered Accountants are delighted to announce the promotion of Julie Osborn to an Associate. As the practice continues to expand this promotion recognises the commitment Julie has shown towards providing the highest level of service and practical advice to her clients.

Julie joined the practice during March 2004 as an Accounts Assistant, was promoted to Supervisor in June 2006 and to Manager in July 2008. Julie gained her Association of Accounting Technician and the Association of Taxation Technician qualifications whilst working at David Allen. As well as managing a busy department she has built up a large client portfolio and works closely with small businesses and start-up businesses providing valuable practical advice and support to ensure their business succeeds.

Julie lives in Silloth with her partner Ryan. She attended Solway Community School and was brought up on the family farm at Causewayhead, where she still helps out in her spare time. Being from Silloth and

knowing a lot of the local businesses in the area has enabled her to build long lasting relationships with many business owners and her daily commute to the office at Dalston means she is on hand to collect and deliver financial records to save her clients time.

Julie said 'It is a great privilege to be promoted to Associate. I am really proud to be part of a practice where hard work and commitment is rewarded and where I get a fantastic level of support to allow my career development. I work with many small businesses and I am looking forward to continuing to build strong working relationships with them all whereby I can be sure they receive sensible advice relevant to them and support to help them achieve their goals.

David Allen commented 'It is fantastic that we have Julie as a member of our



team. She is dedicated, professional and committed to providing clients with an excellent service, keeping their affairs in order. Julie has built long lasting relationships with her clients which is so important and they will have peace of mind knowing that she is looking after their affairs. Julie will play a key part in the practice going forward'.

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# Go Cumbria Passenger Transport Guide

A free passenger transport guide designed by Cumbria County Council for residents and visitors is now available.

'Go Cumbria' guide allows readers to find out more about the main transport networks across the county in a compact guide, which includes bus timetables, and makes travelling around Cumbria easier for public transport users

Also included are town bus service maps, ferry timetables and a guide map to Cumbria's railways.

Go Cumbria will be available at most libraries, Local Links and information centres, as well as at community sites such as post offices and village shops. Copies can also be requested from the county council's Integrated Transport Team by emailing integrated. transport@cumbria.gov.uk or visiting cumbria.gov.uk.



to cover for holiday times, which may only be once or twice in a year, this would be greatly appreciated.

Contact Peter or Kath at the Solway Buzz on 016973 32180 or email office@ solwaybuzz.co.uk.



# **Arthritis Support** Group

Report by: Gladys Temple

Chairman Mary Peile welcomed a rather depleted group to Loveday House but Ena Binns, a visitor from Corbridge joined us for the day as she was staying at Loveday House.

Apologies were received from Margaret Armstrong, Catherine Cheetham, Mary Harrison, Edna Marper, Anne Graham, Heather Hadley, Eleanor Hodgson, Norma Jamieson and Irene Liddle.

Gaynor Davies needed no introduction as she is a frequent visitor to read her very funny poems and stories to us. We sometimes go to her house for afternoon tea with stories but felt it was time we made her at home with us. She began with a poem of colours then her 'Bucket list' followed by 'When I am old'.

She told stories of mistakes caused by her husband's hearing aid and lots more funny episodes. Mary thanked her for

coming and giving us a light hearted afternoon making everyone feel much better.

We were glad to welcome Glynis Mackay back then she and Anne Fee served the refreshments. Another get well card will be sent to Irene Liddle after another spell in hospital and a plant will be taken to Christine Smithson to thank her for all the work she has done for the Group. Unfortunately Paul Gibson the Arthritis Nurse is snowed under at work so will not be able to come next month but Mary Heslam has agreed to step in and tell us more of her stories. The meeting will be at 1:30pm on Friday 6th June and anyone is welcome to join us.

by Emmie Bennett from Silloth Primary School World War 2 Bee by Matthew Irving from Holme St Cuthbert School School Bee by Joseph Kay from

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# No Hair - If You Care!

My name is Jaymie-Lea Greig and I am a local Silloth Girl.

Recently, I took part in the facebook crazy #barefacedselfie which was a campaign in which women took a picture of their self without any make up on and men took a picture of their self with make up on and uploaded it to facebook to raise awareness for Cancer Research UK. After taking part in the craze I decided there was more that I could do to raise awareness and a little bit more money for cancer research uk.

Hence my idea **"No Hair If You Care"**, I have decided to shave my hair off to raise money for this amazing charity. I would like to raise £2,000 by December when the event will take place.

Cancer Research UK is a charity close to my heart because almost five years ago my dad was diagnosed with throat cancer he had two have a major operation on his throat and he also had to have keyhole surgery on his kidney for it to be removed because there was cancerous cells found on his kidney. My dad also had to have many sessions of chemo therapy and radio therapy. Seeing my dad going through his operations and his chemo and radio therapy was really



17 year old Jaymie-Lea Greig with her Dad and her hair

hard for me as I was only twelve years old and there were also a lot of problems with family life. It broke my heart seeing my dad so ill and to know he will never be the same man he used to be...

But he's still my hero! I count myself lucky that I still have my dad here because other people and families aren't as lucky as we have been. Some people know someone who has been affected by cancer but most people know someone who has died because the cancer was too advanced or because there were no drugs to cure it.

I am just a normal seventeen year old girl who loves to do my hair and make up and go out with friends but... Some people have to live without loved ones, so I can live without my hair.

This is a sacrifice I am willing to make to help people who have suffered or are suffering. I have set myself a goal of £2,000 so if anybody would like to help me achieve this target you can sponsor me through my Just Giving page by texting... JLG96 followed by the amount you want to sponsor me to 70070. e.g. JLG96 £3 to 70070

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There are also collection pots at Solway Community Technology College and A Taste of Solway Chip Shop next to Stanwix.



Give the Boy Who Can't

#### Thomas Timperon with his Dad

milestones that are regarded as just natural progress for so many.

He will never be able to talk and his ability to walk is limited to only a few steps which takes all of his energy. Even with all the

challenges Thomas faces in everyday life due to his disability, he continues to take great pleasure in attending James Rennie school, playing with the family pets and going to the park with his brothers and sister.

One of the happiest times I have seen Thomas enjoy was when he was able to use a sensory room. Sensory room equipment can be used in a therapeutic context for children who have limited communication skills. They help aid the development of key life skills such as gross motor skills and colour recognition and tracking. Thomas being able to use this sensory room greatly improved his quality of life and our aim is give him a room he can use as often as he would like, that is easily accessible and provides a safe environment for him to enjoy.

Unfortunately, due to where we live we do not fall into the catchment areas for funding that would be available. Our area doesn't have excellent services but we try to make the best out of what we have to keep our son smiling. Government cut backs have impacted on a lot of families who have a member living with a disability. We want to improve the quality of life for our son and this is why we are trying to raise money to provide Thomas with a sensory room.

Any donations to our cause would be gratefully received. And on behalf of Thomas, we thank you in advance.

We are doing a tandem sky dive on Saturday 7th June to try and raise funding. Every small donation would be a big help as the sensory equipment we are looking for costs about  $\pounds7,768.38$ .

Thomas needs 24 hour care, we still need to wash and change and feed him unless it is finger foods. Thomas is still in nappies,, and also might need injections in his hips some time soon at Newcastle.

We have a page on facebook if any one would like a look. It is called 'For the boy who can't speak give him a sensory room smile.'

Donate at www. gofundme.com/880yok or there are donation sheets in

# Lakeland Walking Book

The illustrated book "Lakeland Walking with Wildlife" by local author Alan Gane is now available from the Gincase at Mawbray. All royalties are going to charity, including the Mountain Rescue.

Glowing reviews have included the following: Cumbria Life: "Alan Gane writes engagingly and sometimes poetically about the landscape and wildlife he has encountered. His enthusiasm for the county's birds and animals shines through."

Conserving Lakeland: "Accounts of days out, interspersed with musings on all manner of Lakeland Wildlife, scenery and much else. What shines through is a deep knowledge of the area." Waterstone's Bookshop: "Alan Gane's book displays a remarkable and rare combination of virtues which make it an essential read for all those who have fallen in love with the Lake District. A wealth of practical information,knowledgeable and wideranging."

The author also gives illustrated talks on this and other subjects, fees and donations all go to UNICEF, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund.



Our Son, Thomas

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# Silloth Sequins Put On A Show!



### Report by: Andrea Pattinson

The Silloth Sequins performed their first public dance display on Easter Saturday at Stanwix Park, in front of a capacity audience of over 800, a mix of holidaymakers and locals, and received huge applause.

The newly formed 'Silloth Sequins' Morris Dancing Troop have only been together for six weeks, but are already going from strength to strength.

There are two troops, firstly 'The Dinkies' made up from girls from age 6 – 10 years, then the 'Juniors' consisting of girls from 11-16 years. Also, we have Olivia as our mascot, at just 4 years old.

The Sequins are very busy this year, performing at all the events here in Silloth, but also taking part in events throughout Cumbria. Some of the big events are 'Jesters Week' at Muncaster Castle and the Royal Lowther Show.



In September, we will be training in preparation for competitions held early next year which will culminate in the UK Championships, which will make us the first ever troop from Cumbria to do so.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have offered their help, especially the staff of both our primary school and those at Silloth Community College. To Mr John Cook, for making and donating our fabulous



shield, and to Stanwix Park for allowing us

to use their venue to

raise funds. Also, the

Rotary Club (Silloth),

for their very generous

committee for their advice and support and

and assistance.

donation and the STAG

**Beer Festival** 

Calling All Music Lovers - The 14th Silloth Music and Beer Festival are pleased to announce details of the music.

Thursday: West Cumbria Blues and Rock: Headliners: New England from Keswick playing Country/Rock/ American Sound. Secure Unit playing Blues and Rock with Dean from AWOL as drummer and Frank Hale who has played with Ozzie Osbourne. Buzz Elliott, soloist playing Cumbrian Rock (previously with The Bullfrogs).

Friday: Motown/Rock. Headliners: A welcome return of Roy G Hemmings with a brand new celebration of Motown, featuring 5 male singers, 3 backing singers and an 8 piece band. Thin Lizzie tribute band Five and Dangerous. The Misfitz a 9 piece band with brass section.

Saturday Afternoon: Free and easy. Headliners: Guilty as Sin – returning after last years brilliant appearance. Cindy Hoten - soloist singer who has performed on TV and countrywide singing songs from 1913 to the present day. Joe McCorriston a 2 piece band Joe and his drummer playing their own material. Please note: Children are welcome but must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

**Saturday Night:** Headliners: The Quireboys – hard rock band, slated as Britains answer to Guns n Roses. New album/ DVD coming out on June 16th. AWOL – a welcome return to this popular West Cumbrian band. The Robin Pierce Band - folk and rock band from Cheshire - said to be a "refreshing new take on the typical acoustic pop sound"

Sunday: Headliners: The Jam'd – one of the hardest working tribute bands around, totally committed to giving an unforgettable, authentic performance. Rigsby. Rockaoke – a welcome return to the entertaining musicians who will give you the platform to sing and live the dream.

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Scouting offers challenge and adventure to 400,000 young people aged 6-25 and 100,000 adults across the UK.

We do some pretty amazing things in Scouting, but for us, adventure is a way of life and not just an activity or expedition. From the age of 6 young people (boys and girls) have the opportunity to join Beavers. The closest group to Silloth is currently 3rd Wigton Sea Scouts.

We're working to make Scouting available to all and we're passionate about what we do. 3rd Wigton Sea Scouts is a fantastic group, but we are aware that travelling to Wigton is not ideal for busy families. This is

just one of the reasons we are looking into opening a new Scout Group in Silloth.

Scouting offers 200 different activities from abseiling and archery to drama and street sports. The activities that are offered are built around the interests of the young people and volunteers within the group. Scouting makes a positive impact on young people, adult volunteers and the communities in which we live

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# £980 for Silloth RNLI



Mick Satterthwaite hands the cheque to Eddie Studholme operations manager

A fundraiser for Silloth RNLI was held in Silloth Social club on 5th April to raise funds for Silloth RNLI. The night was a great success with Rue & the

**Rockets and Andy Johnston** (DJ), a total of £980 was raised. Mick Satterthwaite would like to thank everybody who had donated raffle prizes and everyone

who attended on the night to show their support for the RNLI. Also thank you to Rue & the Rockets, Andy Johnston and Silloth Social Club.

# WI Coffee Morning

Report by: Pat Bell Photo by: Jean Graham

Members of Causewayhead WI are delighted to report that a total of £252 was raised towards the Cupcake Party Appeal for Eden Valley Hospice and Jigsaw, Cumbria's Children's Hospice. We raised this at our Coffee Morning with Scones and Cupcakes held in the Pensioners' Recreation Hall, Silloth on Thursday 24th April.

The sun shone for us and we would like to thank all members who worked

hard to make the morning a success and we thank all who attended for their generosity, and the donations given.

Special thanks to the Pensioners Committee for allowing us to use the Recreation Hall and also to the lady who very kindly donated the quilt which was raffled separately and won by Pat Bell.

Room Raffle Prize winners were: O. Hetherington, F. Jackson, A Harrison, R. Bond, M Crawford, M Stocks, M Peach, E Kevenay, V Lodge & E Maybury.



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# Local Illustrator Works on | Homeshare Works For Us **Stobart Fanzine Magazine**



Silloth based illustrator Tim Stead has been commissioned by the Stobart group to illustrate and write the cartoon section of the Steady Eddie fanzine magazine.

Tim spotted by Andrew Tinklers' PA when he handed in a copy of his book 'Ted needs some space!!, along with a story line and few illustrations for a Stobarts children's book he had written and illustrated.

Even though they loved the idea of the book, at that time they had invested and were concentrating specifically on the Steady Eddie World fanzine magazine project.

They were so impressed with Tim's art work that they did offer for him to work with their graphic designer in the London offices to recreate the cartoon strip which consists of eight pages and sixteen illustrations within the fanzine. Tim's first job was for the Christmas 2013 edition and he has just completed the Easter edition.

On the Easter edition Tim was allowed to write the story and introduce some new characters. 'Stacker Stan' is a new character and Tim will be introducing more characters into the summer edition.

As Tim is also a driver for



Eddie Stobarts out of Carlisle he was asked by senior staff if he would like to attend the Stobart Fest that was held at Carlisle Airport last August and to produce and create a small workshop for the children and fans to come along and have a go at illustrating Timo the main character truck from the Steady Eddie magazine. Tim jumped at the chance!

He found that to be able to work with the children and show them a little of how an illustrator works, then let them join in with there own creations was a very rewarding experience.

The whole weekend was a huge success and is being held again at Carlisle airport this summer.

From Stobart Fest Tim was approached by the Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity who had a stand there to see if he would be interested in donating an illustration for them with Stobarts for a charity sky dive which was held in April. What an honour to be asked by a charity that do such a worthwhile and fantastic job for seriously ill children.

Tim knows how fortunate and lucky



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Homeshare involves matching a homeowner or tenant with someone who has a housing need and can provide a little support or companionship.

Our second match moved in together last month. Joy and Maynard who are our householders have homeshared before, so are old hands. Their home is spirited and jam-packed with people lots of the time the sharer Kati is a lively, energetic, sociable young woman who works for Cumbria University and fits well into the home.

Homeshare introduced them in January of this year and they hit it off straight away. The share is new and they have both experienced fresh and different social

this has opened up.

Below:



**Carlisle and Eden** age <mark>uk</mark>

encounters.

Enjoying each other's company after the evening meal where they discuss the next day, future events and putting the world to rights.

Joy stated that 'she emotionally feels so much better knowing that her husband has company whilst she is out and having someone to talk to in an evening is wonderful'.

Kati has been to places she wouldn't normally go and has really enjoyed the new and exciting opportunity of experiencing new

encounters.

Joy and Kati are excited about building a long standing relationship and becoming involved with each other's extended families. Do you need company and/ or support? Do you have a spare room? Do you need a home from home? Can you give 10 hours of your time for a room in a home? If you answer yes to

any of these questions, please contact: Jo Radcliffe at Age UK Carlisle and Eden 01768 863618 or email jo.radcliffe@ ageukcarlisleandeden.org.uk.





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# Know Our Common Garden Bees with the Buzz!

Local gardener and photographer Vivian Russell has kindly supplied these wonderful shots of bees she has photographed in her garden at Skinburness.

As she said "the Buzz is always full of bees, do you want some real bee photos and descriptions for a change". Great idea, can you find these in your garden?



Garden Bumblebee ( Bombus hortorum)

This bee is often seen flying with its tongue extended and what a long tongue it is! Almost twice as long as that of the short tongued bees, and nearly as long as the insect itself. This bee has three bands of yellow, one on it's thorax, and two on either side of its waist, a long face and white tail. It is the only widespread long-tongued species left, and the only one with a tongue long enough to pollinate broad beans. You will always see it on Rhododendron ponticum and in and out of foxgloves.



Tree Bumblebee - (Bombus hypnorum) Whereas all the other bumblebees are patterned like barcodes, I think of the Tree bumblebee as a tri-coloured flag of ginger thorax, black abdomen and white tail. Queens, workers and males all look the same, the queens always larger



Red-tailed bumblebee (Bombus lapidarius) A beautiful, velvety bee, with a big red tail. Queens and workers look the same, the workers being smaller versions of their mother, but the males have a mass of bright yellow across their collars and face. Look for it on chives and agastache (Mexican hyssop), as pictured here.



White-tailed bumblebee (Bombus lucorum)

Smaller than the Buff-tailed bumblebee, this lovely bee has a pure white tail, two lemon yellow stripes, one on its thorax, the other on its abdomen. Like the Early Bumblebee, the males have bright yellow collars and moustaches. It too is a primary 'nectar robber' with mandibles strong enough to nibble holes in flowers, allowing the 'secondary robbers' like honeybees, wasps, flies, solitary bees and other short-tongued bumblebees to use the holes. Favourite flowers include lupins, oregano, orange buddleya and loosestrife



Carder Bumblebee (Bombus pascuorum)

A bright bee, gingery all over and easy to spot. The colours are saturated in spring but over the summer, the colours and variable patterns fade with wear and exposure to the sun. It is the only widespread species with a medium length tongue, so there is no nectar robbing. Here it is on agastache (Mexican hyssop) and cardoon.





Buff-tailed bumblebee (Bombus terrestris)

The large, furry, noisy bees you see in March are bufftailed bumblebee queens, just coming out of hibernation and searching for somewhere to start their nest. The queens all have brown tails and two deep yellow bands, but the workers and males have a white tail with a thin line of buff at the top. This bee is a notorious 'nectar robber'. To access nectar on deep flowers it's short tongue can't otherwise reach, it bites a hole at the top of the flower - comfrey and aquilegias are favourites - and pokes its tongue straight into the nectaries. This is a bit naughty because, by not entering the flower, it doesn't collect any pollen to pollinate other flowers with. Buff-tails are our most prolific bumblebee and you will see them on a wide variety of flowers.

versions of their offspring. Named the Tree Bumblebee because it likes to nest high above ground, it arrived from France in 2001 and has rapidly moved north and west, recorded in Carlisle in 2010, and arriving in my garden in Skinburness in 2011. You will see it on shallow flowers favoured by short-tongued bees like hardy cranesbills teasels, borage and cotoneaster. Here it is foraging on eryngium.



Bumblebees need a body temperature of 32 degrees before they have enough energy to fly. To revive them, place a solution of 50/50 sugar water under their tongues - either in situ, or cut whatever they're sitting on and bring bee and flower or stalk into a warm place, like a greenhouse. Don't use honey as this can be full of pathogens.

Do not be alarmed if you see your bumblebees covered in mites as they are harmless. These feed off the detritus in the nest, and hitch a ride on the bumblebee's back to get them there. Full pollen baskets are an amazing sight. When bumblebees collect pollen they brush it off their bodies, mix the grains with regurgitated nectar to moisten and bind it, and then use their legs to position it by the shiny groove on their hind tibia. Bending their 'knee' activates a lever which shoves the pollen into the slot.



June

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Tournament

welcome

### 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

## **Production Team**

**Proprietor:** Peter McRobert Barn Cottage Skinburness, CA7 4RA Tel: 016973 32180 Email: office@solwaybuzz.co.uk

# Football Training Silloth Football Club

# **Eden Street Playing Field**

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Wednesdays 5-6pm Men's Team Wednesday 7pm to 8:30pm

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

Secretary: Stephen Hart 32706

### **Martial Arts**

Silloth Dragons **Mixed Martial Arts Club** train in Christ Church Hall on Thursdays under 12's 6:45pm to 7:30pm 12's & over 7:30pm to 8:30pm NEW MEMBERS WELCOME For further details contact Stephen on 07811 761033

### Whist Group

Age no barrier. Anyone interested please come along on a Tuesday at 1:30pm until 3:30pm, entry is £2 - if you require any more information please ring Susan Kenny on 016973 32450.

### **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

## Kettlebell Fitness

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# Metafit Fitness

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# **Dates for the Diary**

### May

23rd Annual MU May Market & Plant Sale at 6:30pm in Abbeytown

#### 25th Silloth Green Day from 10:30am to 4:15pm inc. Mini Football Tournament

Children's Poetry 27th Workshop in Culterham Hall, Mawbray for 8 years+ from 11am to 3pm, booking essential 01900 881343, cost £4 per child

31st Silloth Football Club Presentation Night in the Rugby Club from 8pm to late with the Stanwix Roadshow, all welcome

### **Breast-feeding 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

## **Crafting Group**

Interested in crafting? come along to Silloth Crafting Group on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:30pm at the Methodist Church Hall. We are a well established group, friendly people with a variety of crafting talents-willing to share their knowledge. Enjoy the chat and learn from the other crafters, or just sit and chat.

### **RNLI** Shop

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Tuesday	1pm - 4pm
Wednesday	11am - 4pm
Thursday	1pm - 4pm
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Our shop is entirely staffed by volunteers and may not be open at the advertised times. We do apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.

### Wednesday Bunch

Silloth Evangelical Free Church, Eden Street Wednesday Bunch. at 5pm every Wednesday (except in school holidays) Fun, bible stories, auizzes craft, games for 5-11s

# Abbeytown Lunches

# July

Silloth Town Council

Silloth Football Club

Coffee Morning in the

Parkinson's Group

Chris Aronsten at

Annual Strawberry

Silloth Safer Stronger

Causewayhead WI

Crunch Service in

Solway Shore Walks

**Blood Transfusion** 

Windows Week in

Windows Week in

Silloth Vintage Rally

Mini Football u'10s

Windows Week in

Silloth Vintage Rally

Windows Week in

Arthritis support

meet, 7pm in Community Hall

AGM in the Albion Inn at 7pm,

Group meet at 1:30pm at

subject: Mary Heslam & her

Recreation Hall with Silloth &

meeting in Wheyrigg Hotel

give up on young people, all

Culterham Hall, Mawbray, 7:30pm, Tickets £8, under 18

£4, tel 016973 31925 to book

Convalescent at 2pm, Entry £2

Community meeting in Local

Links office from 3:30-4:30pm

"Tales in Verse", Speaker: Joan Bennett, Competition: A Four

Cream Tea in Silloth

line verse About W.I.

from 8am to 9:45am

Banks) at 8:15am

before the session

Skinburness Road Car Park

(LW 8:50am, height 0.3m);

at Greenhill Hotel, Wigton

0300 123 23 23 to book an

appointment. Appointments

are available up until midnight

Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

from 3pm to 7pm. Please call

meet at Beckfoot (Mawbray

from 11:45am to 2:30pm. Don't

Loveday House, Wigton,

**District Pensioners** 

Windows Week in 1st Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

Windows Week in 2nd Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

2nd Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hotel from 11:45am to 2:30pm. Eden Valley Hospice, all welcome

3rd Windows Week in Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

4th Windows Week in Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

Windows Week in 5th Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

Strawberry Tea in 5th St Andrew's Church Hall at 2pm with Silloth & District Pensioners

7th Silloth Town Council meet, 7pm in Community Hall

Solway Shore Walks (LW 4:35pm, height 1.5m); meet at Beckfoot (Mawbray Banks) at 4pm.

9th Causewayhead WI Safer Driving Speaker: Peter Logan, Competition: A Car (Toy or ornament)

Summer Concert by 11th Christ Church & St Pauls Men's Choir

16th Silloth Safer Stronger Community meeting in Local Links office from 3:30-4:30pm

19th Silloth Kite Festival

Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am 19th Silloth Patchwork Heaven exhibition in the Methodist Church Hall from

Crunch Service in

1.Soph	i to 4.30pm, entry free
20th	Silloth Kite Festival

26th Abbeytown Carnival

### August

19th

Arthritis support 1st Group meet at 1:30pm at Loveday House, Wigton, subject: Outing to Pot Place

6th Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hotel from 11:45am to 2:30pm. NIA, all welcome

Solway Shore Walks 10th (LW 7pm, height 0.5m); meet at Allonby (Twentyman's carpark) at 6:15pm.

12th Holme Low Parish Council meeting in the Community Hall, Silloth at 7:30pm

14th Solway Shore Walks (LW 9:50am, height -0.1m); meet at Beckfoot (Mawbray Banks) at 9:15am.

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by the Rain or Shine Theatre

Company at 7pm, Details TBC

Crunch Service in

Silloth Beach Half

Football Funday

Silloth Carnival

15th

16th

17th

24th

25th

1-5pm

### September

Silloth Town Council 1st meet. 7pm in Community Hall

3rd Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hotel from 11:45am to 2:30pm. Sing along with Mary Kipling & her guitar, all welcome

Silloth Music & Beer 4th **Festival** 

Arthritis support 5th Group meet at 1:30pm at Loveday House, Wigton, subject: allergy testing

5th Silloth Music & Beer Festival

Coffee Morning in the 6th Recreation Hall with Silloth & **District Pensioners** 

6th Blencogo & District Village Hall Produce Show at 2pm, admission 50p, children free

6th Silloth Music & Beer Festival

7th Silloth Craft Show

Silloth Music & Beer 7th Festival

10th Causewayhead WI Cycling through Scandinavia to Russia, Speaker: Norman Godfrey,

Competition: A Fridge Magnet

12th Solway Shore Walks (LW 9:25am, height 0.0m); meet at Allonby (Twentyman's carpark) at 8:45am.

Crunch Service in 13th Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

### October

1st Parkinson's Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hotel from 11:45am to 2:30pm. Care for the carers, all welcome

3rd Arthritis support Group meet at 1:30pm at Loveday House, Wigton, subject: Norman Godfrey

Coffee Morning in the 4th Recreation Hall with Silloth & District Pensioners

6th Silloth Town Council meet, 7pm in Community Hall

8th Causewayhead WI "Chinese Whispers" (The Life

Crunch Service in

Silloth Santa Dash

Bonfire Night on

of Gladys Aylward) Speaker:-

Competition: - Chopsticks

Skinburness Road Car Park

from 8am to 9:45am

Editorial Content

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# Bridge Group

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

> Copy date for the July issue is: 1st June 2014

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

Holm Cultram Abbev C of E School are providing Community Lunches every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month. Two courses and a drink for only £3.50 at 12:30pm (we can deliver locally too!) to book tel: 016973 61261

# Ladies Fellowship

Silloth Evangelical Free Church, Eden Street Ladies Fellowship starts Thursday, 26th September at 1:45pm. Thereafter alternate weeks. Warm fellowship, refreshments, and good speakers. All welcome

> Please let us know of any changes within this section

Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

Windows Week in 29th Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

Windows Week in 30th Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

31st Windows Week in Silloth by Solway Plain Artists

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### November

Silloth Airfield

8th

11th

12th

24th

Carol Purves,

Theatre on the Green Coffee Morning in the 1st Recreation Hall with Silloth & **District Pensioners** 

> 3rd Silloth Town Council meet, 7pm in Community Hall

Parkinson's Group 5th meeting in Wheyrigg Hotel from 11:45am to 2:30pm. Farming past present & future, all welcome

Arthritis support 7th Group meet at 1:30pm at Loveday House, Wigton, subject: Mary Watson

Send Your Bees to the Solway Buzz There is a Bee Shortage and we Need Yours!

Errors do occur in Dates for the Diary Please check before

attending an event

# **Your Letters**

caused problems with the

### Dear Buzz,

Recently our family visited the West beach at Silloth as we have done for many years. On reaching it using the track from Blitterlees we were confronted with a shocking scene. A large area of the dunes and shoreline had been cleared away, leaving a huge barren scar. This was not the work of winter storms though. It has been done by contractors using heavy machinery. To visitors it appears as if a motorway is being built to the Golf Course, such is the scale of it. The resulting 'trench' is littered with rubble, glass and other material uncovered during the work. The reason for this

destruction was unclear but a fairly small pipe has been laid here, which is draining the ponds on the Golf Course. We and others were shocked by this work, in such an environmentally consitive place with its

sensitive place with its AONB and SSSI status. The Golf Club must have done this for a reason but the result is the ruin of a nice wild part of the coast. Both visitors and wildlife will suffer as a result of this action. It was quite distressing to see and will no doubt shock many visitors to the area near Blitterlees this season. Creatures including toads and tadpoles from the ponds are being washed down the pipe onto the shore.

Stephen Wright

### Dear Buzz,

Silloth on Solway Golf Club Drainage Works

During November 2013 the golf club installed a new drainage pipe from the gravel pit to the beach and replaced an old pipe from the 10th fairway to the beach. The reason for the work is to help with controlling the water levels because the raised water table has

playability of the golf course. It was serious enough to cause temporary hole closures and left behind unsightly scars on some areas of the course. This threatens income from both members but more importantly from the many visitors to the club. There is a serious risk that the problem could worsen in years to come and therefore local jobs both directly at the club and in local businesses that benefit from the visitors could be affected. The whole of the golf club land is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and this means that all golf club operations have to be agreed with Natural England. This drainage work was agreed with them and therefore full consideration was given to the effect on local wildlife and in particular the protected Natterjack Toads and Great Crested Newts. One of the stipulations from Natural England was that the vegetation should not be returned and that natural re-colonisation should be allowed to take place. The aim is to provide a wider range of habitat that will help develop a wider range of plants and animals. The sand blow has brought bricks etc to the surface and these will be collected when some stability returns to the area. During the early spring there was a temporary issue with common toads being washed down the pipe to the beach and a filter was installed to prevent this occurring. The pipe from the gravel pit was closed off on the 1st May 2014. Please be assured that the whole golf club site is and will continue to be maintained to the benefit of local wildlife following guidance from Natural England and the Amphibian and Reptile trust as well as our own consultant ecologist. The club have an ecological management plan in place

but over time these areas develop and provide a greater variety of habitat for both flora and fauna.

> Brian Story Course Manager

#### Dear Buzz,

I would like to thank everyone for the overwhelming response to my recent illness in April. Family, friends and neighbours with kind regards, cards, flowers, numerous phone calls, and even a shepherds pie. Also to the first responders, paramedics and all staff at the Cumberland hospital in Carlisle. The last big thank you is to my husband David without his help I would not be here today. As time goes by I'm feeling better, I've appreciated all that has been done, thanks again,

#### Margaret Spence

#### Dear Buzz,

At a time when Care Homes for the Elderly are getting negative publicity. I'd like to bring to local attention the wonderful care and compassion that our family have received at Little Acre Care Home on Skinburness Road, Silloth. Our 98 year old Mum spent the last seven months of her life there, suffering from mild dementia and fragility of old age. Under the guidance of owner Sandra Roberts, her team of dedicated staff looked after Mum with the utmost respect and dignity. She was treated with

love, as an individual with specific needs and wants



which continued through to her last days. We would like to publicly thank Sandra and her carers for making life easier to bear for both Mum and our family at a difficult time of our lives.

> Yours sincerely Annette Gibbons OBE

### Dear Buzz,

May I correct errors that crept into my article concerning the Blackdyke level crossing accident of August 18th 1964 (the May issue of the Solway Buzz). Firstly the diesel unit of two cars had already left Abbeytown when the accident occurred and Margaret Gass only had minutes to remove the unconscious youth from the track. It is important to understand that when the train eventually stopped, it had passed over the place where Kerr lay; so Margaret effectively saved his life! The motorcycle was removed from the line by

the driver and guard, who reported the incident on reaching Silloth. This train was the last one of the day from Carlisle and was not booked to call at Blackdvke, hence the greater urgency. Second error, which was my own, at the time of her passing on 16th December 2010 Mrs Gass was 76 not 78 as I stated, being born in 1934 in Northern Ireland. She succeeded Mary Story as Crossing Keeper in 1962, moving on to Stainton Crossing near Carlisle in late 1964. Derek Gass her late husband was the head shunter at Silloth.

John N.M. Charters

Jake Bee by Isla Stevens from Holme St Cuthbert School

# **Cumbrian Reads**

# Why not relax with a good book?

The Son by Jo Nesbo

Sonny is a model prisoner. He listens to the confessions of other inmates and absolves them of their sins. Some people even whisper that Sonny is serving time for someone else.

Inspector Simon Kefas has worked for the Oslo Police Force for years. He's been assigned a new murder investigation and a new partner on the same day. Both of them knew Sonny's

father.

To Sonny he was the man he idolised, to Simon, he was his best friend – both were

### The Skin Collector by Jeffrey Deaver

A new type of serial killer is stalking the streets of New York – one more devious and disturbing than ever before. They call this butcher The Skin Collector, a tattooist with a chamber of torture hidden deep underground. Instead of using ink to create each masterpiece, the artist uses a lethal poison which will render targets dead before they can even entertain the prospect of escape.

Drafted in to investigate, NYPD detective Lincoln Rhyme and his associate Amelia Sachs

### Compartment No. 6 by Rosa Liksom

Why not try the following book by the winner of the English Pen Award?

A sad young woman boards the Trans-Siberian Railway to Moscow. Bound for Mongolia, she's trying to leave a broken relationship as far behind her as she can. Wanting to be alone, she chooses an empty compartment – No. 6 – but her solitude is soon shattered by the arrival of a fellow passenger; Vadim Nikolayevich Ivanov, a grizzled, opinionated and foulmouthed ex-soldier. Vadim fills the compartment with long and colourful stories.

At first, the young woman is not so much shocked as disgusted by Vadim, but as their Supported by Anne Carruthers Cumbria Library Service

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left devastated when his corruption was revealed, but neither of them knew the truth....



have little to go on but a series of cryptic messages left etched into the skin of the deceased.



train cuts slowly across a wintry Russia, a grudging kind of companionship grows between the two, and the girl realises that if she works out how to listen, Vadim's stories may just contain lessons for her

Many thanks to Carr's Flour Mill who have loaned photographs and artefacts to Silloth Local Links during Local History month

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# Masthead Winner

Carlisle Embroidery are generously donating a Solway Buzz embroidered hoodie to the winner. This is in addition to the usual Winners Certificate and £5 Gift Voucher.

So, come on kids, get drawing, the Buzz is always looking for more imaginative bees and yours might be the next winner. Send them in to the address on this page and a quality Solway Buzz embroidered hoodie from Carlisle Embroidery could be yours.

You don't have to be at school here to send a bee to us.

If you are here on holiday we would love to receive your bee drawing. Pick up a form from Silloth Tourist Information and return it there or send it to us, our address on page 10.

Well done!

This month the winner is Cody Allen from Holme St Cuthbert School with a bee called "Bizzy Bee".

that is reviewed every five vears. Sometimes this does

involve some drastic work

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Make a Noise in Libraries Fortnight runs from 2nd to 15th June 2014.

This is an annual campaign bringing public libraries and blind and partially sighted people together to help improve access to books and information.

This year's theme will be the First World War as 2014 marks 100 years since the conflict began. Public libraries are playing their part in this national commemoration by offering books and information on all aspects of the First World War for children

and adults. Some

suggested talking book fiction titles: • Regeneration by Pat Barker

- A long, long way by Sebastian Barry
- Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo
- Shoulder the Sky by Anne Perry

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Weather Forecast Man Bee by Liam Keaveney from Holm St Cuthbert School

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she was re-rigged again, this

'Phoenix'. She had an overall

length of 112' and a beam of

22. With an auxiliary diesel

credits include 'Hornblower'

Discovery,' 'Moll Flanders,'

Scarlet Pimpernel, 'Voyage of the Dawn Trader' (Narnia

series), and in 2015 is due to

appear in a film called 'In the

Then in 2005 and again

for the following two years,

we were fortunate to be able

to welcome the magnificent replica 18th century British

built at Marmaris in Turkey

in 1996, along the lines of the

man of war 'Grand Turk',

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# **On the Water** Front

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

April 2014 5th. Nordstrand, from Cowes IoW with wheat, then in ballast to Raynes Jetty. 11th. BBS Surf, from Antwerp with fertilizer, then in ballast to Briton Ferry. 12th. Ankie, from Riga with fertilizer, then in ballast to Drogheda.

17th. Hav Zander from Mukran with fertilizer, then in ballast to Belfast. 25th. Fri Ocean, from Newport with part cargo of fertilizer, then in ballast to Montrose.

29th. Wilson Brest from Gdynia with fertilizer, then in ballast to Norway.

**Replica Sailing Ships** Steam engines had been developed for commercial shipping from the mid 1800's and as they became more reliable for maritime use, steam ships, or a composite of steam powered ships with auxiliary sails, gradually replaced true sailing ships on the more lucrative trade routes. Steamers, with their vastly improved manoeuvrability, were able to take advantage of the new and shorter navigational routes to the Far East via the Suez Canal, opened in 1869 and later to the Pacific west coasts of North and South America, via the Panama Canal opened in 1914. Large sailing vessels were left with the usually less profitable cargoes, often involving long voyages around the southern land extremities of Cape of Good Hope and Cape Horn. For Silloth, it meant that those large, graceful but unwieldy ships and barques, with huge masts and a vast spread of sail, continued to bring bulky cargoes of wheat from Australia and fertilizers from South America. Sailing ships carrying these cargoes from the opposite side of the world were frequent visitors to the port of Silloth up until the early months of the First World War. The last recorded large commercial

sailing vessel at Silloth, was the barque 'Fahrwhol', which departed 99 years ago, in March 1915.

**JUNE 2014** 

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cinema.

Nowadays, we can only imagine the spectacle of seeing such a vessel enter or leave the port of Silloth, assisted by small steam paddle tugs that struggled to keep these relative giants in line. Watching one of the Tall Ship events that occasionally happen at the larger UK and European ports, is all we have left to give us an idea of those amazing but tough days of sail. As an aside, try to imagine how many cumbersome commercial sailing ships would probably have come to grief around our coastline and the resultant loss of life, during the succession of severe winter storms. such as struck our country and much of north-western Europe in recent months. No sophisticated weather forecasts were available to warn mariners in those days!

The people of Silloth and our visitors have not missed out entirely on the pleasure of witnessing a sailing vessel in our waters, albeit courtesy of a couple of pretty convincing replica sailing ships that have called here in recent years. Both of them were modified for, or built especially to



Above: Grand Turk entering Silloth Dock in 2007 Below: Phoenix about to enter Dock in 2002

> frigate HMS 'Blandford'. With a length overall of 46m (30m at the

waterline), and a beam of 10m, she has three masts and is equipped with an auxiliary diesel engine and bow-thruster. The 'Grand Turk' featured regularly in the ITV 'Hornblower' series from 1998 to 2003. She has also appeared in 'Longitude', 'To the Ends of the Earth, 'Crusoe' and played a starring role in the International Fleet Review at Portsmouth in 2005, for the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar. Gradually, with the development of CGI techniques, (computer generated imagery), where detailed background scenes can be more cheaply simulated by computer technology, the film contracts dried up and the ship was used more for sailing events, charters and corporate hospitality. She was based at Whitby from 2000 until 2010. She was then sold to a French company and re-named 'Etoile du Roy' (Kings Star). Being somewhat familiar with her lines from her past visits to Silloth, I was delighted to discover her again during a trip to France in February 2012, where I found her on a foggy day, lying quietly alongside in St Malo, Brittany.

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# **Green Tigers**



### Report by: Jimmy Lettice

Silloth Tigers go green thanks to a fantastic grant from the Robin Rigg people Silloth Tigers have installed some new modern and very efficient solar panels that will add to their inspired facilities and even better help keep the bills down.

They were perfectly installed by Thomas Armstrong Renewables and the club is delighted with them.

A big thanks must go to Cumbria Community Foundation for their support and guidance throughout the process.

# **Newton Arlosh Road Closures**

There will be carriageway reconstruction work on B5307 Newton Arlosh Village between St John the Evangelist's Church and the Joiners Arms public house.

The works are to last for approximately 6 weeks.

The works will be carried out in four separate phases, under a temporary road closure to ensure the safety of both the construction personnel and the public. Diversions will be signed.

Vehicular access will be maintained wherever possible to individual properties; however access to properties at times will be limited. The supervisor and operative's on site will liaise with residents at all times and will endeavour to keep any disruption to a minimum.

If there are any problems or enquiries, please contact the Highways Hotline 0845 609 6609.



by Alia Brooks **Produce Show** 

Blencogo & District Village Hall Produce Show to be held in Blencogo Village Hall on Saturday 6th September 2014.

Admission 50p, School children free. 10am -11:30am: Staging 11:30am to 1:45pm Hall closed for Judging 2pm Hall opens to public. 3:30pm Presentation of Trophies. Entry is open to all. Prizes  $1st = \pounds 1.50$ ,  $2nd = \pounds 1$ , 3rd = 50p

#### Flowers

- 1. Foliage House Pot Plant.
- 2. Fuchsia Pot Plant 3. Geranium Pot Plant.
- 4. Flowering arrangement in
- an unusual container.
- 5. A Rose
- 6. Small container of
- Nasturtiums.
- 7. Vase of sweet Peas.
- 8. 3 Dahlias.
- 9.1 cut stem of a garden
- flower. 10. 4 Pansy or Viola Heads
- on a saucer. 11. Vase of mixed Garden
- Flowers.

### Kitchen Garden

12. 3 free range eggs (laid from own chickens)

- 13. 3 onions.
- 14. 4 Potatoes.
- 15. 3 Varieties of vegetables not in the
- schedule, on a dinner plate. 16. 3 Carrots.
- 17. 4 Tomatoes any
- variety. 18. 3 Courgettes.
- 19. 5 Green Beans.
- 20. 3 Beetroot.
- 21. Selection of Home
- grown fruit in a bowl (not
- exceeding 7).
- Wine/ Liqueur
- 22. Bottle of Red Wine
- 23. Bottle of White Wine.
- 24. Bottle of Homemade
- fruit Gin.
- 25. Bottle of Homemade
- fruit Liqueur.
- Bakery
- 26. Cheese and Tomato
- Ouiche.
- 27. 3 Sausage Rolls.

(ready to drink). 34. 3 Plain Scones 35. Jar of Jam 36. Jar of Lemon Curd. 37. Jar of Honey. 38. 6 homemade choc Truffles using attached recipe Handicrafts 39. Photo with caption no larger than 8"x 6" (mounted) 40. Photo of Mountains and Lakes. 41. A handmade item for a new baby. 42 Picture in cross stitch. 43. Handmade wooden item. 44. Hand painted picture (any medium). 45. Handmade Box. 46. Any article made by Lady or Gent. 47. Pick up and bring a cup and saucer. Children (must display age) 48. 4 homemade biscuits. 49. A decorated wooden spoon. or girl. 51. Short story or Poem over please include age) Joke (7 and under, please include age). 53. An unusual shaped vegetable or fruit (can be bought) 54. Pick up and bring a funny photo of a farm animal or Pet.

55. Garden on a biscuit lid. 56. Paper plate animal mask (must be own work).

or Judith 61051



# Astrology

#### AQUARIUS

Who gives to all a helping hand But bows his head to no command And higher laws doth understand? Inventor, genius -**AOUARIUS!** 

This is the sign of the Thinker and one of the most happily eccentric of all the zodiac signs.

they prefer to see the bigger picture in Life. This outlook can make Aquarians seem impersonal and detached, yet they do have a deep care and concern for humanity.



still sometimes be extremely difficult to get close to them on an emotional level.

# Their favourite colours are electric blue

and turquoise, together with aquamarines set in platinum! The Bright Side:

### Lively and inventive, anything goes can be their watchword; seemingly always out of step with the rest of the world, Aquarians revel in anything 'different'. Ask an Aquarian for help and you will immediately get it, for this sign is a very soft touch and would willingly give some people the shirt off its back if necessary!

The Dark Side:

The Aquarian personality can be chaotic and unpredictable, stubborn and rebellious, cranky and perverse. Aquarians do not care what the world thinks and social conventions are sometimes thrown out of the window in favour of anarchy – leaving them somewhat isolated. Often this isolation may come as a surprise to them since they find it difficult to see how they might have behaved unreasonably in the first place!

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# Emily Wins Ladies Golf! | Tennis Stars Anna & Abi

### Saturday 26th April dawned fine and bright for our Ladies Open Singles, with 65 ladies entered from 18 different Clubs. Players from Powfoot just over the border to Royal Liverpool Cheshire and Ingestre Park Staffordshire. A rare day with no wind so no excuses (well that is the theory), And for two Silloth sisters Hannah and Emily Smith that proved to be the case.

Hannah won best gross with a 78, Emily with the best score on the day winning the Cecil Leitch Trophy and the Trophy for the best Silloth player with a score of 88-22-66, this brings her handicap down from 22 to 18.5 (watch out Hannah she's got you in her sights). Other



Emily Smith with her Trophy local prize winner's were

and Betty Walton well done ladies.

# Golf Captain's Drive-In

Joss Young, Toddy Winter



Silloth on Solway Golf Club Captains 2014 David Hurst Club Captain. Janet Messenger Lady Captain. Michael Martin Junior Captain.

I am David Hurst and it is my great pleasure and privilege to be the captain of Silloth on Solway Golf club this vear.

For those who don't know me I am a local farmer and also work alongside the wellknown digger driver Jim Bell draining local farms. As well as golf I am a great supporter of the Young Farmers, being a Club leader and advisory member to Aspatria YFC as well as having the honour of Northern District President two years ago.

I joined the golf Club in 2002 where I am also Competitions and Handicap Secretary (the only way I can

March is the time of the Captains Drive-In where the Captain starts off the summer season with the first drive. For a player of my ability it is usually a lottery where the ball ends up but I quite surprised myself with a decent drive finding the Fairway. The day follows with match between the Captain's team and the Vice Captain's team lead by Gordon McCullough. After winning my match with the help of Kevin Watson, Gordon's team came into their own winning with a substantial lead.

Janet Messenger the Lady Captain and Michael Martin Junior Captain also held their drive-in and I hope



to play at Silloth with its fantastic greens and challenging fairways. For those of you who perhaps played golf when you were younger or want a change in your sporting direction you will receive a warm welcome at Silloth Golf Club.



#### Anna & Abigail Celebrate **County Selection**

Anna Fisher and Abigail Mossop are over the moon after being selected for the Cumbria under 10 team and travel to play the likes of Yorkshire at the end of June at Sheffield. The club would like to wish them well after all of their hard work. Well done girls!

**Free Summer Tennis** Coaching

Due to a grant obtained from the local Community

## Anna Fisher and Abigail Mossop

Shop the club are able to offer 4 free tennis coaching sessions over the summer period.

Sessions are run on Tuesdays at the Skinburness Courts at the following times: 4:30: under 8 5:30: under 10 6:30: 11 and over 7:30 Cardio Tennis (tennis fitness to music) We also have 4 free

sessions for beginner adults on Thursdays. This starts

after the Whit half term from 7:15 to 8:15pm. Please contact David Wise on 07742 547767 to book.

### Silloth Open **Coming Soon**

After three fantastic years the Silloth Open will be taking place again during the Whit half term holidays. With events at under 8 through to adults it promises to be another great week of Tennis, with a warm welcome and great cake!

zet close to a trophy, is when I hand them out).

year as captains. It is always a pleasure



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# **Top Gun!**



Eric James Bowe of Silloth is once again top gun. Eric has won the Cumbrian Sport Trap Championship at the North of England Clay Target Centre in York on 13th April

2014. Eric said "it's a long way for Cumbrian Shooters to have to travel but hopefully a ground will be found in Cumbria to hold these events very soon.



# Silloth Tigers 2013/2014

Silloth's emphatic 62-8 win over Carlisle side Creighton was the Tigers final game of what has been an outstanding season.

Silloth's league record of playing 22 games winning 20, with 1 draw and only losing

**Girls Football Success** 

Report by: Haley Mossop

Sunday 11th May saw the Longhorn Hardware Group Mini Football Finals at Brunton Park, Carlisle. Teams from the North Cumbria Leagues were represented at all age groups, ranging from Under 8 to Under 14 (Boys and Girls).

The Abbeytown Girls Under 10 team included three Silloth School girls: Amy Carr, Lucy Carr and Abigail Mossop. The Silloth trio have represented Abbeytown all season and this was the big finale.

Painfully losing out to Crown Newlaithes in the semi-final through a penalty shoot-out following a 2-2 draw, the team showed great spirit and determination and put on a wonderful display of football skills to beat Stanwix in the consolation final, 3-0.

Two goals scored in the final were by



Lucy Carr and unbelievably, in Carlisle United's best traditions, goalkeeper Abigail Mossop left her nets in the second half and hammered home the 3rd goal.

The trio are now looking forward to representing the County in the Regional finals of Fuseball to be played in Liverpool at the end of May.

# Silloth Dragons Have Fun



Cumbrian rugby this season. Silloth can also boast a 100% unbeaten league and cup home record, again the only team in the county to achieve this. Another statistic saw Silloth score 877 points with 25 different try scorers with trio Ricki Sutcliffe, Dean Scholey and Steven Stoddart all scoring over 100 points each, again another statistic only achieved by the Tigers.

1 was the best record in

Ricki Sutcliffe's 34 try tally for the season saw him break Coach Mark Orchards try scoring record of 33 try's with Mark the first to congratulate Ricki on his remarkable achievement.

Silloths coaching staff and players have declined the chance of promotion as the club looks to build on the foundations laid by the teams success over the last few seasons and build a Squad of players consistently capable of challenging at a higher level.

Coach Mark Orchard has already confirmed new signings for the 2014/15 season and is still looking to add players. This season also saw the return of the clubs 2nd team (The Sharks) after an absence of almost 20 years. They played three games winning two and losing one, a great

achievement for the team which consisted of a mixture of young, old, experienced and inexperienced players.

The club are currently looking for a 2nd team Manager to work within the clubs current setup and enable the 2nd team fixtures to become more regular and also help in providing players as backup to the 1st team squad. Again, something that is vital to the clubs ambitions.

Anyone interested in the 2nd team managers position or playing / training please contact the club direct or via the website or contact Club Captain Phillip Scott on 07712 549070.



May/June leisure memberships, adult (16-60yrs)- £30, couple- £50, child (5-15yrs)- £11, senior (over 60)- £17.

#### Entertainment Live Cabaret in the Dunes Bar includes: Superfly, Room 101. Leroy Johnson & The Flicks, The Fabulous Picasso Brothers plus much more!

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### Report by: Stephen Bowness

Silloth Dragons mixed martial arts club had a family fun day at Stanwix Park. A great day had by all

and we would all like to thank Stephen Stanwix and his team for letting us train there. We all enjoyed the training, even some of the parents joined in!

After training we enjoyed swimming, ten pin bowling and then had the added pleasure of watching the evening entertainment in the Sunset Nightclub.



