

## Causewayhead W.I.

Where did you get that hat?

Mrs Muriel Twiddy brought a wonderful array of hats from intriguing hat boxes for her theme of 'Hats of Service'. She enlisted Dorothy Wallis and Angela Ruckledge as serving maids and matched every lady with a hat. All this was done with marvellous speed and all the time explaining how hats were such an intrinsic part of all aspects of life and work in the past and were the subject of many old sayings still used today.

She chose hats to reflect this as members became farmers wives or donned nightcaps or simply found themselves with hats perfectly matched to the clothes they were wearing. They then became mannequins giving a twirl to display their finery. Margery Dockery was given first prize for her outfit of hat, scarf and parasol reminiscent of Old Mother Riley and Ann Harrison for her nightcap and Iris Carr for a farmer's wife's bonnet.

Mrs Twiddy's own family history was cleverly told with photographs and memorabilia including pieces of embroidery.

The whole was presented very amusingly and this was reflected in the vote of thanks by Diane Shaw who thanked Mrs Twiddy for such an entertaining evening and for giving everyone "a good

laugh".

At the start of the meeting President Pat Bell had welcomed three visitors and hoped they would become members. She thanked everyone who had helped to make the Tea on the Green at Silloth such a success, particularly Freda Back and Mavis Walker. Silloth Carnival Committee thanked the W.I. and particularly Eileen Chambers for their help in making the carnival a success. Members contributed to a collection of "Coins for Friendship".

Mrs Bell reported on the W.I. Garden Party at Wordsworth House, Cockermouth which she had attended with Dianne Shaw. The Mayor of Allerdale, John Crouch, had been present.

Prizes for the competition of an evening bag went to Pat Bell and Eileen Chambers and Maureen Irving won the prize for best flower. The teapot donated by Yorkshire Tea was won by Mary Johnstone and the other drawing prize by Iris Carr.

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Buzzie Bee by Rebecca Markley aged 4 from Silloth Primary School

## Girlguiding in Silloth

Recently Girlguiding has been through some massive changes, we've really had to, to keep up and grow with modern life. Our whole program has changed to meet the needs of young people today.

Some of the activities now include football for girls, party organising and craft with chocolate! (not like it was when I was a Guide)

Girlguiding is the largest organisation for girls and young women in the UK with over 700,000 members. To give you some idea, 31% of eight year olds are currently in Brownies.

At the moment in Silloth we have a Rainbow (5-7 years) and Brownie (7-10 years) unit, both of which are very strong with waiting lists but unfortunately we have no Guides (10-14 years).

We're lucky enough to have sufficient leaders for the Rainbow and Brownie units but if the girls don't have their names down well in advance there are no places available for them.

I've discussed the situation with the District Commissioner and the only sensible route is to open new units to accommodate all the girls who would like places.

Abbey Town, Newton  
Arlosh and Silloth

combined have 60 Brownies that in the next couple of years will want to move to a Guide unit, but because we have no Guide leaders we will probably lose these girls.

At the moment our priority is Guide leaders so that the Brownies have a group to move up to and also so that other girls in Silloth and the surrounding areas have the same opportunity.

To open three new units we need 6 volunteers to give a couple of hours per week. Each unit is run by two people, you may be a parent who has a daughter of the age to attend one of our groups, a family member who may be interested in helping out, a student or you might just want to help in the community in some way. Whatever your reason to join, this is a very rewarding voluntary position. Unit leaders, for insurance purposes need to be within the age bracket of 18-65 and the young leaders section is for girls 14-25 years.

50% of the female population have at some time in their lives been involved with Guiding.

If you would like any more information on any of the above sections please ring Lesley Edmondson on 01946 814861 or 07979595252.

## C.C.F. Grants

Recent grants awarded by Cumbria Community Foundation to organisations in our area include:

Silloth Regeneration  
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Late summer festival £500

Silloth Tigers Rugby Union  
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£1,000

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