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Do You Know?

Do you know about the organisations, clubs and other voluntary bodies there are in the area around Silloth?

Win £50

Come along to The Golf Hotel in Silloth on Sunday 23rd February between 2pm and 5pm.

There will be refreshments and complimentary drinks available, in addition you will receive a free raffle ticket with the chance to win a £50 cash prize that afternoon.

In the function room many local

organisations will have displays manned by their members so that you can easily discover what each organisation does.

We have many more clubs than most people realise, this is your chance to discover how many of them are of interest to you – with no commitment to get involved.

Don't miss this unique opportunity to discover what is happening around you. We will probably never be able to bring all these organisations

together under one roof again, come along, have a drink and a nibble, and discover what everyone else is doing with their spare time.

This event is organised by Silloth Regeneration Partnership and is jointly funded by the Allerdale Neighbourhood Renewal Community Chest, Cumbria Key Fund and Allerdale Neighbourhood Forum.

If your organisation has not booked space yet, please telephone Peter McRobert on Silloth 32180.

Internet Broadband

The simple truth is that the area covered by the Buzz is unlikely to get a broadband connection from BT within the foreseeable future!

Realising this, Bill Knowles, Business Development Manager for the Solway Rural Initiative is pursuing grants to provide a rural broadband scheme for North Allerdale. This will include the towns Silloth, Wigton, Aspatria and Maryport. Also included will be the rural areas around those towns.

In order to strengthen the grant application it is very important that anyone who would be interested in having a broadband connection to their business or home registers that interest with Bill now.

Simply send an email to Bill at bill.knowles@btinternet.com with the

title YES TO BROADBAND and giving your name and address. Registering interest does not commit you to anything, so do it now.

You can also register your interest by telephoning the SRI offices in Aspatria on 016973 21111.

Because of the rural nature of this area, the scheme being planned

by SRI will avoid the problem of expensive telephone exchange upgrades by using a two-way satellite link to a group of four satellites with local connections by radio link.

This exciting system is up to four times as fast as BT's ADSL service and would move us from being an internet backwater into being an internet leader. Unless the rural economy is given the opportunity to compete on level terms, it will always struggle to survive. Monthly rental costs should be no more than BT's charges for broadband and may be even cheaper.

For further information about SRI and the Wireless Outreach Network Project contact Bill Knowles on 016973 22620.



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