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Newtown Pond







Report & Photos by: Lynda Bailey

In the centre of the hamlet of Newtown there is a pond, however when Lynda and Brian moved into Newtown 2½ years ago the pond had been left to grow over and generally become very neglected. It had almost disappeared and become a muddy patch.

We have been involved with the local community group and they suggested and applied for a grant to restore the pond, which was approved.

Restoration is now complete, we have involved the local primary school in

designing an information board and the children have visited during restoration.

Photos, clockwise from above:

The pond before restoration started.

Tony Markley cutting the ribbon to officially open the pond.

Digging the overgrown pond out was a big job.

The children of the hamlet each drew a relevant picture and these were included on the information board depicting the wildlife to be found around the pond.



Santa Dash Raises £380



Report by: Owen Martin

On Saturday 30th September around twenty Santa's took to the streets of Silloth, starting off at Stanwix Park heading through The Crofts then through the streets of Silloth collecting money for local charities.

The event was organised by Silloth Rotary Clubs new members. Raising around £380!

We would like to thank all those who took part, all the people who donated, to Stanwix Park for allowing us to start there and also for their generous donation and a big thank you to Shona and the RAFA club for a great after dash party!

Keep your eyes peeled for our future events supporting your community and beyond.

Harlequin Choir Christmas Concert



Report by: Margaret English

On Friday 1st December the Harlequin Choir comes to Christ Church on Criffel Street, Silloth at 7pm for an atmospheric evening of Christmas songs and carols.

Entry is £5 including

refreshments.

There will be a raffle, RNLI stall and a lucky squares draw for a print by a local artist.

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Chub-bee by Mr Maxwell, Silloth Primary School

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£273 for Cancer Research

Report by: Penny Stimson Church Secretary

St Andrews Church held a Macmillan tea and cake morning in our church hall on Friday 29th September.

We are pleased to say we raised £273 for Cancer Research, and would like to thank all who so kindly supported us in this venture.



Elvis Bee by Charlotte from Holme Cultram Abbey School

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The full range of cards along with calendars, diaries and gifts are available from the RNLI shop located at Silloth Lifeboat Station. Profits from the sale of all items goes direct to the RNLI to enable our crews to carry on with their vital lifesaving work.

David Allen Chooses New Charity Partner

Following another successful year of operating a Charity of the Year initiative David Allen are delighted to announce Jigsaw as their new charity partner from September 2017.

Jigsaw provides day to day care, support and activities to children and young people living with a life limiting illness. Care is provided in a home from home setting and each young person's care is personalised towards their own needs.

The Jigsaw ethos is to work in partnership with the children and young adults, their family, carers and other professionals. They aim to maintain the children and young adult's normal routine and make each stay as special and as enjoyable as possible.

Kerrie Allison, Practice Manager at the firm said: "We launched our Charity of the Year initiative in 2015 and since this time we have raised more than £40,000 for local charities, something we are very proud of. We recently had the pleasure of visiting Jigsaw and were delighted to witness it first-

hand as a place of fun and laughter where children and young adults can stay and create memories which will last a lifetime. Appointing Jigsaw as our Charity of the Year will support the charity to provide and develop their care facilities for local children and young adults and we couldn't think of a

better charity to support in 2017/18!

Chris Bray, Head of Marketing & Income Generation from Jigsaw said: "We are over the moon David Allen has chosen Jigsaw as their charity of the year partner. David Allen have a proven track record of raising large sums of



Cumbria's Children's Hospice



money which will support children and young adults with life limiting conditions across Cumbria. We look forward to the year ahead and our first event working with some of the David Allen crew at the launch of Pay for a Day for Jigsaw".

To learn more about the David Allen Charity of the Year initiative or to apply to be next year's chosen charity visit www. david-allen.co.uk/aboutus/community or call 01228 711888.

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£805 Raised for Silloth First Responders



Silloth 1st Responders would like to thank Amanda, Michelle and Debbie Fearon, Shirley Smith and Alison Henderson following the recent bingo nights and coffee morning they held for the First Responders team in August.

Causewayhead WI

Report by: Jenny Stride

Causewayhead Womens Institute meeting on the 11th October. Unfortunately, our speaker was unable to attend because of the extremely wet weather so we had an open evening instead.

Congratulations were expressed to Ann Harrison, Maureen Irving, Pat Bell, Jean Carr and Frances Jackson, the members responsible for the upkeep of the Discovery Centre Garden as they had won an award from the Royal Horticultural Society and Cumbria in Bloom.

As during the winter meetings are held on Thursday afternoons a proposal was made that from next year October be included in this and a vote was held and the proposal carried. Correspondence received from the Federation and other Institutes was discussed as were the arrangements for the Christmas Lunch. Members holding cups were reminded to return them at the next meeting.

Raffle Prizes: Ann Harrison, Marjorie Dockeray & Jean Carr

General Competition:

- 1. Olga Hetherington 2. Margaret Durham
- Flower Competition:
- 1. Mona Kent
- 2. Mary Johnstone Wild Flower

Competition: Jean Graham.

The meeting on Thursday 19th November was opened by Mona who was standing in for Margaret. Apologies were received from some members and then Mona introduced our speaker Sandra Hickebottom.

Sandra had three years training to become a chiropodist and has been practising for 21 years. She explained that a chiropodist and a podiatrist are the same, chiropodist being the name known by in the UK and podiatrist worldwide.

Sandra explained that 75% of people have problems at some time or other with their feet, such as corns, callouses, fungus, veruccas or ingrowing toe nails.

Sandra explained many of the signs and symptoms and causes of the problems and as a result of this and a quiz we learned a lot of interesting and surprising facts about

In each foot we have 26 bones, 35 joints, 7,000 nerves, 250,000 sweat glands, 100 ligaments and 19 tendons. Toenails grow 4 times slower than fingernails as the circulation in feet is less than than in the hands, they also grow quicker in hot weather, pregnancy and teenage years. Wearing heels of 2.5 inches puts 75% of the body weight onto the ball of the foot. The

foot increases by two sizes on getting out of bed and putting bodyweight on feet. The average 80 year old will in their lifetime have walked the equivalent of four times around the world.

60% of arthritis is in the foot and I was surprised to learn that gout is a form of arthritis. Diabetes, obesity and high blood pressure also cause problems with the feet as they can cause poor circulation. We can help avoid a lot of these problems

1. wearing correctly fitting, comfortable shoes (the best time of day to buy shoes is in the afternoon)

2. if possible not wearing the same pair of shoes every day 3. exercise

4. drinking plenty of fluids 5. not using nail polish on fungal or damaged nails 6. Massaging the foot with

7. managing diabetes properly 8. not standing in one position for long periods

Pat Bell thanked Sandra for her very interesting and informative talk and for providing a prize for the team who did best in her quiz.

The winners of the competitions were

- General Competition 1. Mona Kent
- 2. Mary Johnstone Flower Competition
- 1. Mona Kent
- 2. Frances Jackson

Wild Flower Pat Froggatt

Blue Plaque Unveiling

for Kathleen Ferrier

Report & Photos by: Lawrence Marshall & Carol McKend

The Plaque was unveiled at St Kentigerns Church, Aspatria on Monday 9th October with some relations and friends of the famous contralto singer in attendance. Kathleen Ferrier was born on 22nd April 1912 near to Blackburn and after marrying bank manager Albert Wilson the family moved to Silloth where her husband became District Bank manager in Eden Street staying there from 1936 to 1941. There is a plaque on the wall of the former bank stating that Kathleen lived here. It was while living here that she entered the Music Festival at Carlisle in 1937 and won the Silver Rose Bowl, and so began a glittering national and international career.

The reason for the Blue Plaque at Aspatria was because she sang at their Harvest Festival service which was her first professional appearance after winning in Carlisle. A local paper carried the headline "Silloth has a Champion Adult Vocalist". Kathleen now has three Blue-Plaques; one at the house near Blackburn where she was born, another at her London home and this third one at St Kentigerns Church,

Fiona Graham, Kath Hopcroft & David Heather

Aspatria.

Blue Plaques are awarded to famous people who have a connection with the building and they have to be placed where the public can view them.

The unveiling was carried out by Kath Hopcroft who is a goddaughter

of Kathleen Ferrier on each side of her are two second cousins from her mother's side, Fiona Graham and David Heather.

Mrs Wilson's restaurant on Criffel Street is named after Kathleen using her maiden name and contains a lot of Kathleen Ferrier memorabilia. It is co-owned

KATHLEEN FERRIER CONTRALTO 1912 - 1953

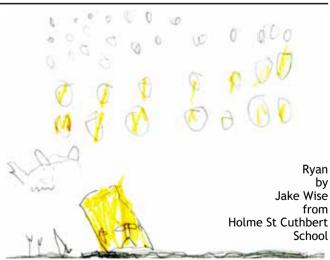
Lived here from 1936 - 1941

It was during this period of her life that she took her first step to International fame when she won the Silver Rose Bowl at the Carlisle Music Festival 1937

The Plaque at Eden Street, Silloth

by Carol McKend and her connection with the Kathleen Ferrier story is that she is a friend of ninety year old Veronica Dunn who lives in Dublin. Veronica sang alongside Kathleen in her very last performance.

The event was organised by the Plaque Society along with Radio Cumbria.



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£27,119 for GNAAS



David Allen, a local accountancy and business services firm, launched their charity partnership with Great North Air Ambulance Service in September 2016. Following a full calendar of events the team at David Allen are delighted to announce the grand total raised of £27,119!

The partnership, was launched after the firm raised more than £23,000 for two local hospices during the first year of launching its Charity of the Year initiative. David Allen, Managing Partner said: "We recognise the importance of supporting the local community in which we live and work. The GNAAS are saving lives across our county and I am really chuffed that we have raised more than £27,000 for such a fantastic cause. I am proud that our Charity of the Year initiative continues to generate such a fantastic amount of money for local charities to benefit from and I would like to

thank all of those individuals, businesses and professionals who have supported us during the last year.

Grahame Pickering MBE, Chief Executive from GNAAS: "We are absolutely delighted with the amount of money raised by the team at David Allen. Their fundraising activities have been varied and fun and it's been wonderful to see the whole team get so involved. The passion and enthusiasm shown by everybody is admirable and they have been an absolute pleasure to work alongside. The money raised will make a real difference to the patients that we care for in their time of need, which simply would not be possible without the support of the local community and businesses such as David Allen."

The Great North Air Ambulance Service is completely reliant on donations to survive. Last year, it attended 354 incidents in Cumbria alone. To find out more, please visit www.gnaas.

Each year David Allen will work with a nominated charity in order to give something back and help boost funding for these much valued services. To learn more about the Charity of the Year initiative, to make a donation, or to apply to be next year's chosen charity visit www. david-allen.co.uk/about-us/ community or call 01228 711888.

Do You Know Working Carers?

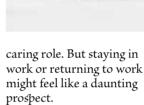
Local charity West Cumbria Carers fully understand that caring for a sick, disabled or frail loved one, friend or neighbour is not a 9-5 role. They know that factoring in paid employment alongside your caring role can quickly make it a real struggle to juggle your different responsibilities.

The charity want to let working carers know that they are not alone and hope that raising awareness of their rights, and the support services available, will have a positive impact on working carers.

What is a Working Carer?

A working carer is someone who works fulltime or part-time and provides unpaid care to a relative or friend who couldn't manage without their support. Caring might involve practical help such as shopping or taking someone to an appointment as well as tasks such as personal care. Many people in a caring role do not think of themselves as a "carer".

Continuing to work whilst caring can help you feel good about yourself and provide you with social interaction outside of your



If you have recently taken on a caring role or your situation has changed, having an assessment to understand your situation and see what help is available, is vital.

Where can you get help?

Working carers can access a range of information on the West Cumbria Carers website www. westcumbriacarers.co.uk. The Working and Caring

section contains useful information about carer's rights and benefits. There will also be a regular "Topic of the Week" posted, with each article covering useful hints and tips to help manage the juggling act caring while working creates.

If you have any questions, require extra information or would like to arrange a meeting to discuss working and caring please email: workingandcaring@ westcumbriacarers.co.uk or call 01900 821976.



Did you know there is a Trust dedicated to providing financial help for victims of crime? CVCT exists to support initiatives to assist victims of crime to cope and recover from their experience, and to prevent victims being targeted and or repeat victims of crime.

Cumbria Victims

Charitable Trust

Applications need to be supported by an independent person with knowledge of the individual and the circumstances. Grants will be targeted at cases where no other funds are available to the victim.

Further details of the Trust are available at: http:// cumbriavictimstrust.org.uk/Grants-Cumbria-Victims-Charitable-Trust-Charity.html

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Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning

We were pleased to welcome so many of you to our coffee morning on the 7th October, including a number of visitors as well as our regulars. We had an added attraction with Nicola's fruit and veg stall together with our usual cake and bric-a-brac stalls. Thank you to all to made purchases.

Everyone appeared to enjoy the morning and meeting up with old friends and new. Coffee, tea, scones and biscuits were served to everyone by the committee who look forward to these Saturday mornings as well as all who participate.

The raffle was, yet again, well supported and the following were the lucky

winners. Pat Todd, Betty Johnson, Evie Myers, Pam Blaylock, Enda Keaveney, Sheila Batey, Diane Wallace and Eileen Reeves.

Everyone was given the opportunity to purchase tickets for the Christmas Party to be held at Stanwix Leisure Centre on Saturday 2nd December.

Once again thanks to all who made this morning such an enjoyable one.

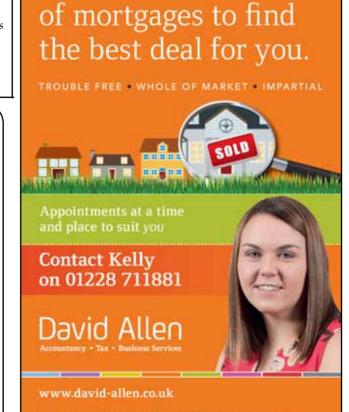
Our last Coffee Morning of the year was held on a bright but chilly November morning and was well attended. Eve was there once again with her fabulous fashions and a lot of people took the opportunity to purchase some new clothes for the winter season.

Tickets for the Christmas Party to be held at Stanwix Park on Saturday 2nd December were on sale and if you still need to buy one please contact any member of the committee or Maureen on 31927 as soon as possible.

The lucky Raffle winners were, Gerry Thoroughgood,

Susan Kenny, Marjorie Dockeray, Mary Jones, Margaret Mattinson, Pauline Mole and Beatrice Henderson.

The committee would like to thank everyone for their support throughout the year and wish you all have a joyous Christmas and A Happy New Year!



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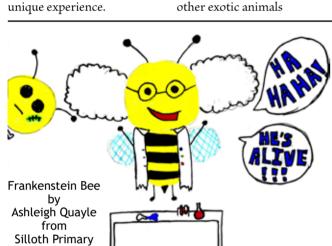
therapy session.
Four
visiting
Meerkats
entertained
everyone with
their antics and
a talk was given
by their owner
Joe about
their lives and
habits. Many
of the residents
had not seen
real Meerkats before and

thoroughly enjoyed this

School



The residents are looking forward to a return visit with other exotic animals



Paul did the Great North Run!

OK, so all that know me know I was built for comfort and not speed, it's obviously inherited from my Dad's genes. So why on earth try and run a 13.1 mile half marathon called "The Great North Run"? Honest answer, we'll have to dig a little deeper for that because I truthfully can't say.

After selling Carr's Coaches back at the end of 2015, I took a position in Newcastle back in Information Technology coaching apprentices' in the workplace. Taking up temporary residency in the North East, I would drive back to Silloth every weekend. For those that know the A69 this is a dreary task. One dark evening travelling back, bored and pondering my next day, the idea came to me; "I wonder if my colleagues would do the Great North Run for a laugh?" That was the seed planted.

Attending work the next day I was a little surprised, shocked, scared to say the least that five others in the office were up for it. On that note we all balloted in and tried our luck.
Two months later I was only

tried our luck. Two months later I was only one of two in the office to be accepted in the ballot and hence not tied to a charity placement. I couldn't believe it, the reality of my silly idea was happening. Time to



train.

Another two months went past and I hadn't budged a muscle, it was now May and only four months to the big day. Not only that, as I wanted inspiration and a reason to get moving, I needed something to work towards, a good cause. My family was unfortunate to lose my Gran Markley and Granda Tommy Dennett within a year apart and we went through some tough times with them both. The one driving factor in my mind though was the support given in the local community during these times and especially from The Silloth First Responders. I can't thank them enough for the excellent service they provided my grandparents in their final years with us and I am sure all in our town have, in some way, benefited from their assistance. For that reason alone I wanted to give back to our community and keep this fantastic service available to us all. They would be my chosen charity.

I placed my Just Giving page up online and planted it around Facebook and social media plus placing out sponsor forms around the town. I originally hoped to raise £250 for the guys (and gals) in the service as I felt this would be a realist ie amount to aim for. The real reality was I just wanted to cross the finish line as all my training only ever lead to runs no more than 8 miles and that was seriously tough.

The day finally arrived and I geared myself up with my colleague on the

start line. Adrenaline was pumping and even speaking to a few in the line from Cumbria which was great. My original target was to complete in under 3 hours, which I knew was going to be a task for me. I didn't quite make it coming in a few minutes over but I did complete the run which was an amazing experience in itself. To top it all off I am happy to say that my final total came in at £612, and I had the pleasure of handing that amount over to such a great cause, it was amazing.

Thanks to all that sponsored me in this event and I urge you all to take up a walk, jog or run. It's a great way to feel energised and stay that little bit healthier so you won't need Silloth First Responders anytime soon.

Working Bee by Jamie Hazel Wise from Holm Cultram Abbey School Mad Hatter Bee by Megan Pigg from Holm Cultram Abbey School Santa Bee by Bethany Henderson from Silloth Primary School

Sixty Year Anniversary

Celebrating an amazing 60 years of membership of the Silloth branch of the Freemasons, well known local man, Ivan Lomas has been presented with an illuminated commemorative certificate from the Grand Master of the Province of Cumberland and Westmorland, Norman J Thompson DL.

It is customary among the Freemason community to award a sum of money to the Certificate recipient to give to His favourite charity and so Ivan opted to donate his award of £500 between local Silloth organisations.

The Silloth Convalescent Home, Silloth Lifeboat and Silloth First Responders all expressed delight at the kindness of the gift and sent their thanks to Ivan and to the Miramar Lodge.





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Art in Countrystore



Report by: Jennifer Bailey

The Causewavhead Country Store and Tearoom is definitely the place to be for meeting friends for coffee, lunches and afternoon teas, as not only do they serve delicious home-made food, sell beautiful craft items and also garden plants and

equipment, they now have a gallery displaying paintings, etc., by local artists.

The Blencogo Art Group is among those whose work is displayed in the tea room and craft room and it's all well worth a perusal.

So, whilst you're enjoying all those culinary treats, you

can also feast your eyes on some beautiful pictures.

Details of the Blencogo Art Group's meeting times are also displayed, so if anyone has a secret urge to give painting a try, telephoning one of the numbers on display and see where it leads you.

have no respect for their

home town whatsoever.

children doing at night?

Parents - what are your

More Pointless Vandalism

Five members of Causewayhead Women's Institute who voluntarily take care of the garden at the entrance to the Discovery Centre and Library are becoming disillusioned.

Every week while the weather is suitable they can be found weeding, planting

and maintaining the garden for the benefit of all.

Over the past few months, plants are being trampled on and damaged, edgings kicked over, and rose branches broken. Before the

ladies can start to work they have to collect beer cans and bottles from the garden. Just recently there have also been a lot of spent fireworks to be cleaned out.

These ladies carry out this task voluntarily for the benefit of the town, but some of our children in Silloth



Burned benches in woodland play area



Chris the Clown Bee by Charlotte Hodgson from Silloth Primary School

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41 Club Annual Dinner



Report & Photo by: John Graham

On Tuesday 24th November Silloth 41 Club had the privilege of a visit by our National President Dave Campbell accompanied by Regional Councillor of Region 5 Graham Sloan at our annual dinner meeting in

National President Dave Campbell and Club President Richard Story exchanging banners

the Cumberland Inn.

This is the first time a National President has visited Silloth and the third time a Regional Councillor has visited. Other visitors included two from Ulverston, one from Furness, nine from Workington and four from Border. Ten members from the Silloth club were in attendance to make our visitors all feel welcome.

We all enjoyed a lovely meal provided by the Cumberland Inn. After the meal Club President Richard Story made a welcoming

speech to all our visitors and presented both the National President and Regional Councillor with a club banner. Then National President responded with a short talk and presented the club with a banner for making him so welcome and hoped he would meet us all again in the future at some national events.

Fellowship was enjoyed until about 11pm when Club President Richard thanked all our visitors, the Cumberland Inn staff for he lovely meal and wished all a safe journey home.

Mothers Union

Report by: Gladys Temple

Pat Connor welcomed everyone to the November meeting with a reading on the theme of darkness, followed by Walk in Light, then came prayers.

The speakers for the afternoon were Betty Jagger and Irene Allen who needed no introduction as they are welcome regulars. They did seven short plays, all were enjoyable and gave a laugh, as well as a lesson.

Pat thanked them for a very enjoyable afternoons entertainment.

Pat had also been to a MU conference, among other things the message was that we are a global movement of four million members, many of whom have experienced directly the impact of conflict on the lives of women and are actively involved in peace building, call for women's voices to be heard represented in all areas of peace building and conflict resolution. We just get on and do it. We are the front line so building on what we do in our communities is the work of reconciliation.

Arthritis Support

Report by: Gladys Temple

Margaret Armstrong welcomed fourteen members to the November meeting. Apologise were received from Pauline Mole and Catherine Cheetham.

The Annual meeting was held Margaret Armstrong agreed to be Chairman with Eleanor Hodgson as Secretary and Glynis McKie as Treasurer for another year,

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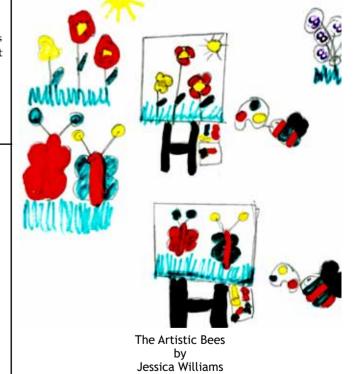
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each then gave their annual report showing we have had a very successful year with lots of good speakers and we are solvent again.

Margaret then asked for ideas for our New Year Lunch and it was voted that we go to Greenhill Hotel on January 12th.

Heather won the quiz while Joan Gilbertson won the raffle.





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Report by: Suzanne Caldwell Deputy Chief Executive Cumbria Chamber of Commerce

Could you or a business you know use a grant of £35,000 - £1,000,000 to improve efficiency?

The Rural Payments Agency has launched a new round of Countryside Productivity funding to support growth within businesses. Grants are available between £35,000 and £1,000,000 for up to 40% of total project costs

The following funding streams are currently open for applications with information available at https://www.gov.uk/ guidance/countrysideproductivity-scheme where individual handbooks are available to guide applicants through the process.

· Water Resource Management

Grants for arable and horticultural businesses. Funding available to improve farm productivity via efficient use of water for irrigation and secure water supplies for crop irrigation by the construction of on-site reservoirs.

· Improving Forestry Productivity

Grants for private forest holders (managing at least 10ha of forest) and micro, small or medium size forestry contractors to improve forestry productivity through felling, extraction and adding value by primary processing of timber products.

· Adding Value to Agri-Food

Grants for micro, small and medium sized food processors of Annex 1 primary agricultural or horticultural products. Applicants could include food and drink businesses and farmers in rural or urban areas. Funding is available to improve the processing

of primary agricultural products to shorten supply chains and deliver benefits to primary producers.

· Improving Farm **Productivity**

Grants for farmers to improve productivity through;

- o The use of robotic equipment.
- o Increasing renewables and energy storage.
- o The use of LED wavelength lighting to aid crop production.
- o More efficient use of livestock slurries and manures and digestate.

If you're interested in applying please call us now on 0844 257 8450 or email info@cumbriagrowthhub. co.uk for free help and advice.

As with all European funding streams, the Government has guaranteed to continue to fund contracted projects after the point at which the UK leaves the European Union

This could make a real difference to your business so call Cumbria Chamber of Commerce now. We're looking forward to hearing from you!

More Grants

40% subsidies of up to £2,000 are available now to help Cumbrian businesses* market more effectively and make more sales.

It can cover consultancy costs for things like:

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- engine optimisation · Developing and
- implementing marketing strategies
- · PR support
- And more

Applying is quick and

RNLI Make £642 from Chips



Report & Photos by: Margaret English

Silloth Corner Cafe was the place to be on Friday 13th October. There was a great welcome from Alison and her staff who had carefully laid out the tables to get 72 folks around them. The service was wonderfully organised getting everyone served very easily.

Eddie provided a super, donations only bar with beer, wine, rum and Robinson Crusoe shots that went down a real treat. It was great to see such an eclectic mix of people joining us and there were many more on the waiting list, who were unable to get in. Lovely to have some of the crew with us, sorry about the ones on the waiting list who could not join us, book earlier next year!

Last year we were paper folding boats, this year it was swans with prizes for the

best decorated. Fun quizzes this year fishy and food pictures and prizes for the winners. The raffle was very well supported and David Thornthwaite brought along a very appropriate painting which was auctioned on the evening.

In all we raised £642 considerably more than we announced on the evening as we had not added in the proceeds from the auction and a run of late donations to the bar before it closed.

On behalf of the Silloth and District RNLI Fundraisers I would like to thank everyone who joined us on the night to make it such a fun. Enormous thanks to Alison and her staff for making the evening so successful and to Eddie for organising the wonderful bar.

Book early for next year!



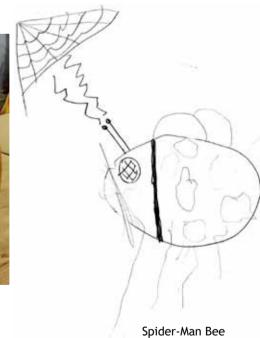
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Don't miss out! Call Cumbria Business Growth Hub today on 0844 257 8450 or email info@ cumbriagrowthub.co.uk

*Eligibility criteria apply to benefit your business must be ERDF eligible and based in Cumbria, with no more than 250 full time equivalent employees. You should be looking to grow and create jobs. This scheme is aimed at existing businesses but we have similar funding available for new starts. Don't meet the criteria or not sure? Contact us and we will point you to otner available support.



to celebrate Halloween



by Olly-Jay Rumney from Silloth Primary School



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To find out more please contact us 01228 536673

odmin@ageukcarlisleandeden.org.uk



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Solway Buzz Volunteers

We are still looking for deliverers for parts of Abbeytown if you feel you can help **Contact Peter or Kath** on 016973 32180.

photos can be seen on the Solway Buzz Facebook page

Solway Community School











Members of the Silloth community flocked to the Solway Community School's annual Prizegiving evening on Wednesday 27th September.

The annual evening to celebrate the success of students in Silloth once again welcomed parents, friends and sponsors to the school, where over fifty students received prizes. The categories ranged from the Governors Prize for Excellence, attendance prizes and sporting awards, to rewards and recognition for success and effort in particular subjects.

The evening was hosted by Mr Hailwood, Deputy Headteacher, and Mr Tim Barker who gave an engaging and inspirational speech, then presented the awards to each student.

The evening was very well supported by Silloth's business community and other



individuals who donated the prizes that the students received. Special thanks go to Mr Lawrence Marshall, who has supported the school for many years. All of the trophies awarded have a particular history or story behind them, and students are very proud to receive such prestigious awards and of being part of the ongoing success of Solway Community School.













Back row L-R: Lawrence Kirby, Michael Faunch, Jonathon Mattinson, John Molyneux Middle row L-R: Marcus Bowman, Mandy Ray, Doris Morewood, Carole Selkirk, Liz Dixon, Kim Lees, Brian Henderson Front row L-R:

Barbara Williamson, Audrey Henderson, Carole Reay, Carol Baird, Linda Blair

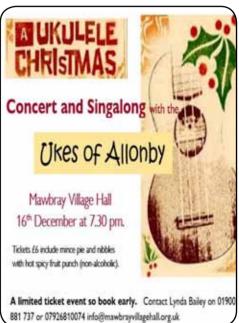












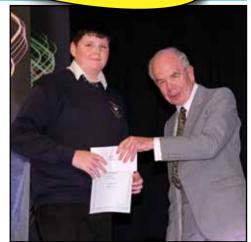
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Photos can be ordered from the Solway Buzz













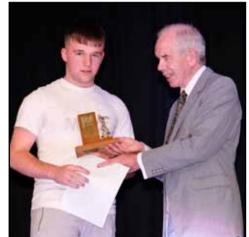






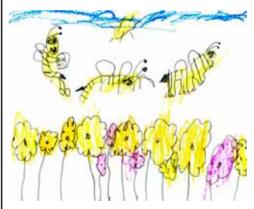














Friend Bees by Ollie Taylor from Holme St Cuthbert School

King Bees by Samuel Walker from Silloth Primary School







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'Our Doors Open' meets in St Andrews Church every Tuesday from noon to 1pm for a light lunch with good fellowship for a donation only.

First Responders

Silloth Community First Responders train on the first and third Tuesday of every month in Silloth Community Centre at 7pm.

NatWest Mobile

The NatWest Bank mobile van will be outside Silloth Community Centre on Fridays only from 9:50am to 11am

Blencogo Art Group

Every Monday from 1:30-4:30pm in Blencogo Village Hall where members help each other. Refreshments provided, regular outings, tel 016973 61158 or 61327

Bridge Group

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

Slimming World

Saturday Slimming World group in Silloth Primary School at 9am then the second group at 11am Tuesday Slimming World group at Silloth Primary School at 7pm Tel Denise on 07799 708465.

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

Abbeytown Library

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

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

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

Sewing Circle

Have you clothes you don't wear - don't like or don't fit properly? Come along to Silloth Sewing Circle on a Thursday afternoon from 12pm to 4pm at St Andrews Church Hall opposite the Co-op. We will teach you to alter and make cloths and furnishings for the family. Just £2 and you get tea/coffee and biscuits. 016973 31915

Clubbercise Dance

Stanwix Park Holiday Centre
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Every TUESDAY
5:45pm to 6:45pm.
Glow sticks, 90's to
present day dance hits.
Just Show up!
Call Gayle 07725 990062 for
more information.

Ladies Fellowship

Silloth Evangelical Free Church, Eden Street Ladies Fellowship is on alternate Thursdays at 1:45pm. Warm fellowship, refreshments, and good speakers. All welcome

Football Training

Silloth Football Club Juniors in Silloth Sports Hall

(Mini Gulls under 7 years)
Sundays at 10:30 to 11:30am
Contact

Geoff Grainger 016973 43370 Under 10's Training Wednesdays 5pm to 6pm Contacts Martin Slack & Paul Mulgrew 07526 665759

Open to boys and girls. Cost £2 Membership forms available from all coaches.

Men's Team

Saturday Men's Team training Every Tuesday in Sports Hall 6:30pm to 7:30pm Thursdays Netherhall 3G Pitch Saturday & Sunday 7pm to 8pm Colin Baty: 07754 890297

Sunday Team Training Tuesdays 6:30pm at Silloth Sports Hall 7:30pm to 8:30pm. Contact: Richard Shaw 07789 557118.

Abbeytown Girls
Abbeytown Sports Field

Wednesdays 4-5pm

RNLI Shop

SILLOTH LIFEBOAT STATION SHOP OPENING HOURS

NOVEMBER

Saturday 1pm - 3:30pm Sunday 11am - 3:30pm DECEMBER

Sunday 11am - 3pm Shop closes for the season on Sunday 10th Dec

Thank you to all our customers who have supported us this year. We look forward to seeing you again in 2018.

Dates for the Diary

November

24th Jazzy Jim charity night at The Balmoral

25th St Andrews Church Christmas Bazaar 1pm-4pm

28th POKER LEAGUE in the Cumberland Inn from 7pm

30th Beach Clean at Silloth West Beach 10am to 12 noon see article

December

1st Harlequin Choir in Christ Church, Silloth at 7pm for an evening of Christmas songs & carols, entry £5 inc refreshments

2nd Christmas Fayre in Holme Cultram Abbey 10am to 5pm, see advert

2nd Silloth & District Pensioners Christmas Party in Stanwix Park at 4pm Tickets f6, see advert

2nd Festive Tea (to be pre booked) between 3-9pm with xmas singalong with the singing Santa and his elf from 5-7pm at the Fairydust Emporium, 016973 31787 or 07842 062118

4th John Peel Theatre Camelot the Panto, tickets from: www.ticketsource.co.uk/ wigtontheatre, or 016973 42521

4th Silloth Town Council meeting in Community Hall, Petteril Street at 7pm

5th Solway Tea Dances in Westnewton Village Hall from 1:45 to 3:45pm, 07765 961822, all welcome

5th Thwaite U3A Group Christmas Party in All Hallows Community Centre, Fletchertown from 12 noon, Luncheon & talk by John Crouch, local chef Tel Pauline 016973 49943

5th POKER LEAGUE in the Cumberland Inn from 7pm

5th John Peel Theatre Camelot the Panto, tickets from: www.ticketsource.co.uk/ wigtontheatre, or 016973 42521

6th Parkinsons UK Group Christmas lunch + entertainment in Wheyrigg Hotel at 12 noon Tel 016973 52527

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

Children's Centre

Opening hours are 9am to 3pm on a Tuesday and Thursday, when a member of staff would hope to be present.

Other Room usage is subject to fulfilling certain criteria and must be arranged and pre booked.

Contact numbers: Silloth 016973 31509 Wigton 016973 43870 Aspatria 016973 23401

Abbey Monthly Munch

Holme Cultram Abbey Monthly Munch on first Thursday each month at 12 noon, only £4

Dementia Cafe

To be held in
WIGTON METHODIST CHURCH
1st Monday in month
10am - 12 noon
For people with dementia and
their carers
Coffee, cake, chat....and more

December cont'd

6th John Peel Theatre Camelot the Panto, tickets from: www.ticketsource.co.uk/ wigtontheatre, or 016973 42521

7th John Peel Theatre Camelot the Panto, tickets from: www.ticketsource.co.uk/ wigtontheatre, or 016973 42521

8th John Peel Theatre Camelot the Panto, tickets from: www.ticketsource.co.uk/ wigtontheatre, or 016973 42521

8th Christ Church & St Pauls Mens Choir in Christ Church Hall

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

9th Beach Clean at Mawbray Banks 10am to 12 noon see article

9th Silloth Tigers away at Furness

9th Festive Tea (to be pre booked) between 3-9pm with xmas singalong with the singing Santa and his elf from 5-7pm at the Fairydust Emporium, 016973 31787 or 07842 062118

9th John Peel Theatre Camelot the Panto, tickets from: www.ticketsource.co.uk/ wigtontheatre, or 016973 42521

10th Cumberland Inn Christmas Party Night Karaoke n Open Mic

10th John Peel Theatre Camelot the Panto, tickets from: www.ticketsource.co.uk/ wigtontheatre, or 016973 42521

12th POKER LEAGUE in the Cumberland Inn from 7pm

14th Beach Clean at Crosscanonby Beach 10am to 12 noon see article

14th Causewayhead WI AGM in the Community Hall at 2pm. all welcome

16th Silloth Tigers v Upper

16th Festive Tea (to be pre booked) between 3-9pm with xmas singalong with the singing Santa and his elf from 5-7pm at the Fairydust Emporium, 016973 31787 or 07842 062118

16th A Ukelele Christmas singalong in Mawbray Village Hall at 7:30pm, £6, tel 01900 881737, or 07926 810074

17th Santas Sleigh supported by Silloth Rotary starts in Skinburness at 3pm and tours Silloth

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

Wednesday Bunch

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

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

December cont'd

19th Solway Tea Dances in Westnewton Village Hall from 1:45 to 3:45pm, 07765 961822, all welcome

19th POKER LEAGUE in the Cumberland Inn from 7pm

23rd Festive Tea (to be pre booked) between 3-9pm with xmas singalong with the singing Santa and his elf from 5-7pm at the Fairydust Emporium, 016973 31787 or 07842 062118

23rd Carol Singing around Abbeytown, start at Abbey 5pm

24th Cumberland Inn CHRISTMAS EVE STAR CRAZY from 8pm

30th Beach Clean at Crosscanonby Beach 10am to 12

31st Cumberland Inn NEW YEARS EVE DISCO from 8pm til late with Eric Stanwix

January 2018

11h Causewayhead WI meet in the Community Hall at 2pm, all welcome

13th Silloth Tigers away at Carlisle Crusaders (2nd XV)

20th Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

27th Silloth Tigers v Whitehaven

February

3rd Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning, all welcome

3rd Silloth Tigers away at Egremont

17th Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

17th Silloth Tigers v Windermere

20th Thwaite U3A Group meeting in All Hallows Community Centre, Fletchertown from 2pm to 4pm, talk: Our favourite cake or pudding - members meeting to share recipes and sample some. Tel Pauline 016973 49943

Silloth Tennis Club

For coaching information call David Wise on 07742 547767

Coast Bus Timetable

60E Maryport to Skinburness the current timetable is available from Silloth Tourist Office or Winters Newsagents or www.ellenvalecoaches.co.uk/ service-60e.html

Arthritis Support

Wigton Area Arthritis Support Group meet on 1st Friday each month at Fair View Court, Wigton @ 1:30pm, details from Gladys 016973 43964

Wigton Cancer Support

Open to anyone who has/is living with cancer or anyone caring for someone with cancer. Feel free to drop in for a chat and refreshments any time between 2pm and 5pm on the second Wednesday of each month, at Wigton Bowling Club. For further information please contact: Gill Edmondson Tel: 016973 71696

March

3rd Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning, all

3rd Silloth Tigers away at Cockermouth

10th Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

10th Silloth Tigers v Workington

15th Thwaite U3A
Group meeting in All
Hallows Community Centre,
Fletchertown from 2pm to
4pm, talk: Solway coastline and
area by Phil Brown
Tel Pauline 016973 49943

24th Silloth Tigers v Furness

April

???? Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

7th Silloth Tigers away at Upper Eden

14th Silloth Tigers v Millom

17th Thwaite U3A Group meeting in All Hallows Community Centre, Fletchertown from 2pm to 4pm, Annual General Meeting & refreshments Tel Pauline 016973 49943

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or just sit and chat.

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
Keep Fit 8:30pm to 9pm
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

For further details contact

Stephen on 07811 761033

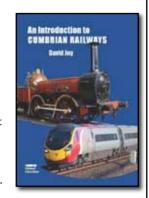
Book Review

The CRA is proud to announce the publication of its latest book "An Introduction to Cumbrian Railways". Written by well-known railway historian and writer David Joy, this 96 page fully illustrated book, tells the fascinating story of the development of railways in what is now the county of Cumbria. The content spans from the earliest days in the 1830's to the present – from railway pioneers to rail privatisation.

Each railway line in the County is covered, from the main 20 trunk lines, such as the West ms. Coast Main Line, to the smaller railways that went to make up the network of lines serving local communities and businesses. The Industrial lines that served the County also receive comprehensive coverage.

Basic information on the building of the railways and their subsequent development is also included. The book is topped off with a detailed bibliography for those that want to learn more

This book includes over 150 colour/monochrome photographs and more than



20 specially created colour

"An Introduction to Cumbrian Railways is a book that will appeal to knowledgeable enthusiasts and newcomers alike. It is a book that one will want to pick up and read from cover to cover or dip into time and time again to browse the pictures, maps and text," says CRA Chairman Philip Tuer

The book is priced £9.95 and will be available from November from bookshops or direct from the Cumbrian Railways Association by visiting www. cumbrianrailways.org.uk.

Do you have a poem or letter for the buzz?

We welcome all submissions. Please remember to include your contact information.

Buzz Letters

Dear Buzz,

I would like to thanks everyone from Silloth that has sponsored me for a zip wire experience over the river Nith on Sunday 3rd September in aid of Maggies Cancer Centre. The total that I raised was an astonishing £2,180 thanks again for everyone's generosity.

Alison Richards Gretna

Dear Buzz,

Just to let everyone know that I will be doing the Christmas Day meal again this year. So if you know anyone that may be interested or if you are interested please get in contact with me on 07769 225050.

Alison Henderson has again said she will help with the premises and other kind people have offered to help.

Anyone that would like to donate anything for the meal can either contact Alison at the cafe or myself on the number above.

So on Christmas Day for anyone who would appreciate a Christmas Lunch we will be at the Silloth Cafe on the corner of Lawn Terrace. We will be serving meals from 12 until 2pm and would love to see you there.

> Thanks Jackie

Mr Colin Baty

Dear Buzz,

Well, what an amazing array of costumes and makeup came to our door tonight! So many happy faces and so well behaved, even when all the treats had gone! Two very good Jokes about blushing clams and skeletons, very good. Maybe there should be a competition in The Space at the end of the evening next year, to choose the best character!

Jennifer Bailey

Dear Buzz,

I would like to thank all the people who took part in the remembrance day service on Sunday 12th November. The wreath layers were:
British Legion

Submarine Association Mr Ian Moore R.A.F.A. Mr K Anderton **Royal Observer Corps** Mrs M Pickering R.N.L.I. Mr Eddie Studholme Fire Service Staff Sgt Morris Police PCSO Peter Nichol **Silloth Town Council** Mr Tonv Marklev **Church Council** Mrs M Graham Masonic Lodge Mr G Anderson **Rotary International** Mr John Cook **First Responders** Mrs I Gilmour Over 60's Mrs M Durham **Brownies** Miss E Bennett STAG Mr Owen Martin **Army Air Corp** Pte R Morris Standards were carried by: Royal British Legion Mr D Nicoll Womens Section RBL Mrs A Graham R.A.F.A. Mrs S Nicholl **Brownies** Miss A Thompson. I would like to thank the lads and lassies from the RNLI for the volley and all their help, also Canon Bryan Rothwell, the choir and church wardens. A special thanks to the Brownies and their leaders who turn out every year in all weathers. Thank you also to Mr Chris Puxley.

A big thank you to the

people of Silloth. Also

all the shops and pubs

for selling the poppies,

Poem

Revenge Of The Computer by Penny Stimson

Oh! no here he comes again to bash hard on my keys, like him I'm getting very old and cannot do things with ease.

It takes sometime to warm up, and longer a programme to find. But he sits impatiently going out of his mind.

I can't think like I used to.
I'm getting very slow
but he thinks I'm like a new one
and should instantaneously
show.

But I can get my own back, I have a trick or two to get my own back on him I'll make things go askew.

When he's least expecting it the internet I erase, this sends him quite mad and gets him in a rage.

The printing is another thing which I can have great fun I can send it anywhere, he's no idea what I've done.

He does not know how to use me, he just has no idea. He bangs and taps continuously that's what makes me go so queer.

So you older people who don't know how we run, treat us slower and kindly and then you'll get things done!

so far we have topped last years total.
My personal thanks to Hazel from SOSCS for the use of their shop window.

Non-Commercial Tourism Websites

solwaybuzz.co.uk

sillothgreen.co.uk

sillothonsolway.co.uk

sillothgolfclub.co.uk

vintagerally.co.uk

sillothbeerfestival.co.uk

silloth-on-solway-tc.gov.uk

visitcumbria.com/wc/silloth

soldiersinsilloth.co.uk

solwayplain.co.uk/silloth1.htm

facebook.com/sillothgreen

facebook.com/silloth-carnival

Any other suggestions of sites useful for our visitors, please

send them to the Buzz at: office@solwaybuzz.co.uk

Poppy Organiser Sheona Nicholl

St Andrews Church CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

25th November from 1pm to 4pm

Sadly Santa will not be visiting, but if you have a private party or event and need him to attend, he is happy to do so for a donation.

This year along with the home baking stall we have bric-a-brac and tombola. We are serving a extra special afternoon tea to say a big thank you for your support through out this year. There are limited places available so to avoid disappointment booking is essential by contacting penny on 016973 32255.

Afternoon Tea Menu:
Delicate sandwiches of turkey, smoked
salmon, prawn cocktail and other fillings.
A selection of special cakes and savouries,
Mince pies, Christmas cake, tea and coffee
£6.50 per head

Also serving tea and coffee with mince pie or Christmas cake at £2.50

The afternoon tea will be served from 2pm

We look forward to seeing you and wish you all a Very Merry Christmas

Phishing

Here's what you need to know...

uine companies, or even someone you know, in order to defraud. The emails are designed to infect your devices with malicious ware (malware), or to steal sensitive information such as your notal details or passwords.



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unsolicited emails you receive. They could lead to malicious sites designed to infect your computer with malware, or steal your personal & financial details.





YOUR DETAILS

Never respond to emails that ask for your personal or financial details. Your bank won't send you emails asking for this type of information.

nore information on how to stay secure online please visit www.cyberaware.gov.uk

Masthead Winner

Carlisle Embroidery are generously donating a Solway Buzz embroidered Polo Shirt 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. Return to your school, or the Discovery Centre, or post to the address on page 10 (large stamp) and a quality Solway Buzz embroidered Polo Shirt from Carlisle Embroidery could be yours.

This month the winner is Sienna Carini from Holme St Cuthbert School with a bee drawing called "Izzie Bee".

Well done!



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Monday 1-4pm

Tuesday CLOSED

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Friday 1-4pm

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Silloth Library Opening Times

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Thursday CLOSED

Friday 10-1pm 2-5pm

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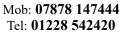
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Report & Photos by: John Forrester More coverage of shipping at Silloth can be found at www.cumbriashipphotos. weebly.com

Autumn sunshine greeted the arrival of TANJA loaded with wheat from Nantes situated on the Atlantic coast of France. Good visibility presented a clear view of Criffel as she passed by in readiness to enter port on the midday tide.

It had been a three day sailing from the Bay of Biscay heading north towards the Irish Sea where she hugged the coast of Ireland to gain shelter from the prevailing westerlies. A turn east at Strangford brought her to Workington anchorage where a pilot boarded for the short sailing to Silloth.

Nantes is the major agricultural centre for Western France handling about one million tons of grain annually. The ship's



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design had allowed her to sail the fifteen miles inland along the River Loire to load cargo from storage silos along the river bank.

This was the first visit of the Cypriot-registered ship to Silloth. TANJA was built in Germany in 1989 and is typical of the coasters seen trading grain around the UK. The eastern European spelling of her name is to be expected as she belongs to a Lithuanian company. After a 24hr turnaround she was on her way to Belfast to pick up her next cargo.





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November will be a little busier.



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Report by: Bill Amyes

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Silloth Seagulls continued

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half. Lewis Little gave the Seagulls a deserved lead but the home side could not press home their advantage with more goals and the missed chances (including a penalty kick) would ultimately cost them the tie. When Celtic equalised Silloth committed more men forward in an effort to claim the victory they clearly felt their excellent attacking play deserved but this left them vulnerable to the counter-attack and the West Cumbrian side were able to exploit the weakness with a third goal. The 3-1 defeat was a bitter pill to swallow for the Seagulls as this was one of their most positive displays of the season but it also highlighted the need to be more clinical in front of goal. Man of the match was 18 year old Eddie Mullins with an outstanding display at fullback on his debut for the club.

Two weeks later and Silloth had the chance to turn their good play into league points and gain revenge on a Cleator Moor side who had beaten them twice previously. The Seagulls were spraying the ball round the Bastion with precision and purpose. Numerous chances came and went before Lewis Little had a shot smartly saved by the keeper only for skipper Dan Foster to stab the ball home from close range with a classic poachers finish. Great striker's instincts for a centrehalf! A Celtic equaliser against the run of play was a blow coming so soon before the break but the Silloth players did not let their heads drop and went straight back on the attack in the second 45 minutes. Their efforts were soon rewarded when Adam Carr was brought down in the box but for the second match running the spot kick was not converted. The Seagulls pressed hard for the winner but the opposition defence stood firm in the face of the barrage and would not allow their goal to be breached. Both sides had credible claims for penalties waved away by the referee and with no further scoring the points were shared. This was a game Silloth knew they should've won but a draw (their first in the league since August 2016) brings them a point closer to safety in their battle to avoid relegation. Eddie Mullins was once again superb at fullback and formed a dynamic partnership on the right flank with man of the match Jack Taylor.

A trip to Carlisle City Reserves followed next for the Seagulls in a bottom of the table clash. City were languishing at the foot of the table without a single point to their name and Silloth knew nothing less than a victory here would be acceptable as they looked to build on the momentum gained from



Shaun 'the Sheep' Clark in full flight

their performances in the previous two games. That victory looked on the cards as the Seagulls dominated the early exchanges. Adam Carr went close with two headed chances before giving Silloth a deserved lead as he finished off a great passing move. Right back Kieron Carr picked out left winger Lewis Little with a driven cross field pass who then beat his man and played the ball across the face of goal for Adam to stroke into the net. With the game at their mercy the Seagulls inexplicably took their foot off the pedal and allowed the Carlisle side to take the initiative. Before they knew what had hit them Silloth found themselves 2-1 down and struggling to stay in the game. After the break the Seagulls were given a lifeline thanks to superb finish from Ellis Gardhouse. Ellis showed quick feet to beat two players in the box and then curl a delicious left footed shot over the keeper and into the top right corner of the goal. That was as good as it got for Silloth as the opposition dominated the remainder of the match. City scored two more goals and it could have been a lot more if not for the efforts of the Seagulls' custodian Luke Stockdale and Dean Barton who was rightly named man of the match for his efforts at centre-half. This was an extremely disappointing result and performance from Silloth which left them deep in the relegation quagmire. 'Things can only get better' they say and they would have to very soon for the Seagulls

The visit of Netherhall was the first chance for Silloth to get their season back on track. This was most definitely a game for the neutrals and a game of two halves (if you'll pardon the football clichés) with six goals and the points being shared.

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to salvage their season.

The Seagulls started like a house on fire, dynamic in possession, pressing the opposition high up the pitch and looking to score at every opportunity. Silloth were dominating proceedings and the pressure finally told when dogged pressing from Lewis Little won him the ball in the 18 yard box and allowed him the simplest of finishes to open the scoring. His brother Kieran was soon in on the act as he intercepted a poor pass

and drilled a low shot into the bottom corner from twenty yards. The third goal was a thing of beauty and one the best individual strikes ever witnessed on the Eden Street Bastion as Lewis Little acrobatically volleyed the ball home when he had no right to be even thinking about scoring! This was quite simply the best 45 minutes of football the Seagulls had produced this term and was up there with anything they played last season. So it continued into the second half but when Netherhall scored against the run of play you could see the confidence drain out Silloth's play. In trying to protect what they had the Seagulls started to play more direct but only ended up in conceding possession and territory to the opposition. Now it was Silloth's turn to be on the back foot and despite some resolute defending the constant pressure eventually told. Netherhall scored twice more to draw level and in the end it was the Seagulls who were hanging on to avoid defeat. This was a bittersweet result for Silloth, a draw that felt like a loss, but the point gained here lifted them out of the relegation places and leaves their league destiny firmly in their own hands. The quality of the first half performance will give the players heart that they have the quality to turn things around this season but they know that this has to be sustained for 90 minutes week in, week out. Man of the match was Shaun 'the Sheep' Clark who worked tirelessly in midfield all game. A special mention has to go to the efforts of Callum Casson who had a late call up to the unfamiliar position of right back and acquitted himself with such quality it was like he had played there all his life.

Well Done Toby

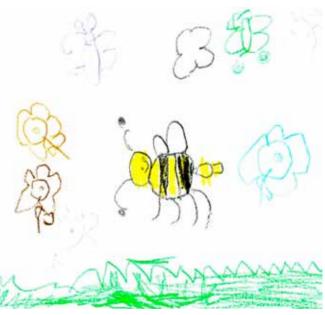


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At the end of another very successful Country & Western weekend at Stanwix Park, which is co-organised by the Carlisle Saddle Tramps club from the Pirelli factory, the charity money raised at the March event was presented to Silloth RNLI to help them continue their essential work. RNLI volunteers turned out in force to receive the cheque and thank the cowboys and cowgirls for their valued support.

Silloth Seagulls

Report by: Mr C Gull

After a slow start the Seagulls were looking to kick start their season with a run of positive results as they looked to climb out of the Premier League relegation zone and also make progress in the three remaining cup competitions, including their defence of the Benevolent Cup.

It is the Conway Cup where we get things started as Silloth entertained **Cumberland County** League newcomers Crown Newlaithes of Carlisle. The fact that progress to the next round was secured with a 3-1 victory is probably the only positive to take from a performance which bore all the hallmarks of the Seagulls' early season woes. Silloth struggled all game to break down a resolute and organised Newlaithes side and a giant killing

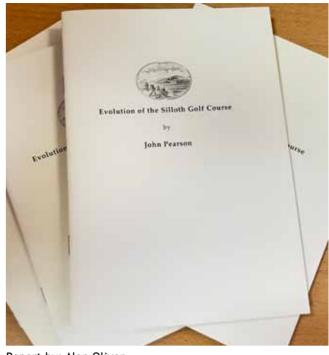
was on the cards when the Division One outfit took to the lead with an audacious 45 yard lob. It was a test of character now for the players and it was no surprise that the 'heartbeat of the team' Callum Casson was the one to step up to the plate. The Seagulls' midfielder busted a gut to get on the end of a speculative high ball that most would have given up on and headed the ball past the onrushing keeper to make it 1-1 going into half time. Silloth regained a modicum of control in the second half and took the lead with a Nico Watt penalty. A third from man of the match Lewis 'the Bull' Mulla finally sealed a tight contest for the Seagulls but the game ended on a sour note as both teams had a player dismissed after tempers boiled over due to a robust challenge. Despite the average performance (and



Adam Carr delivers a cross

losing a player to suspension) to win when you don't play well is always the mark of a good side and with this victory Silloth can look forward to a home quarter final clash with Workington Athletic

Next up was another cup match at the Eden Street Bastion with the visit of Cleator Moor Celtic Reserves in the Ken Glover Memorial Shield. The Seagulls would be looking to make up for the lacklustre Evolution of Silloth Golf Course



Report by: Alan Oliver Secretary

The 125th year of Silloth on Solway Golf Club has been a fantastic year.

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showing in their opening day league defeat at Celtic and lay down a marker for the reverse league fixture that would follow two weeks later. Things looked good for Silloth right from the first whistle as their quick passing and high press had the opposition on the back foot

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On behalf of the club we would like to thank our Club President Peter Cusack and John Pearson, who co-wrote our club history book, for their presentations through the year regarding the history of the club.

John Pearson has written a new wonderful booklet which charts the evolution of the Silloth Golf Course. These booklets can be purchased from the golf club at a cost of £2 each.



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