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Silloth Golf Club is 21st

Another Accolade for Silloth on Solway Golf Club

Just as we thought the season for giving and receiving gifts was over the nice people at National Club Golfer Magazine compiled their Top 100 courses in England and voted Silloth number 21. There are over 2,500 courses in the UK.

To be voted number 21 in the Top 100 courses in England is a fantastic thing for the golf club but also for the town as a whole. All of the accolades the club receives only helps to attract more visiting golfers to Silloth which benefits the golf club and many other businesses in the town.

There are many different Top 100 lists out now and it is a privilege to be included. The list is topped by Royal Birkdale with Sunningdale Old Course at number 2. Silloth is number 21 which is the only Cumbrian entry ahead of the likes of Wentworth West Course, Southport and Ainsdale, Woburn and The Brabazon Course at the Belfry.

As well as attracting visiting golfers to Silloth we would also like to attract new members too. Whether you're a new golfer or



someone who used to play golf we would love you to join our wonderful golf club. As well as being able to play our superb links golf course there are many other benefits of being a member of Silloth on Solway Golf Club. You can enjoy great food and drink in our clubhouse overlooking the golf course and receive members discount too and

receive discounted golf at many other top golf courses including Moortown and Blairgowrie. The main benefit of course is the pride you feel to be a member of Silloth on Solway Golf Club. If you would like any more information on the golf club or membership visit www.sillothgolfclub.co.uk or contact the office on 016973 31304.

2018 Events
27th May
Silloth Green Day
9th + 10th June
Silloth Vintage Rally
16th June
Abbeytown Family Fun
24th to 26th August
Solfest
27th August
Silloth Carnival
6th to 9th September
Music & Beer Festival



Burns Night in St Andrew's Hall



Report by: Penny Stimson

St Andrew's Church held their annual Burns Night Supper on Saturday 20th January 2018 in the church hall.

The Scottish flags were flying and the hall was decked out splendidly. A Scottish piper played the haggis in, he was in full costume and the sounds of the pipes filled the hall. After a delicious traditional meal of haggis, tatties and neeps, the piper and his family, who are one of the St Andrew's ministers, entertained the guests with Scottish music and dancing. Then his children gave us some traditional Scottish



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the piano-accordion which we all loudly sang along to.

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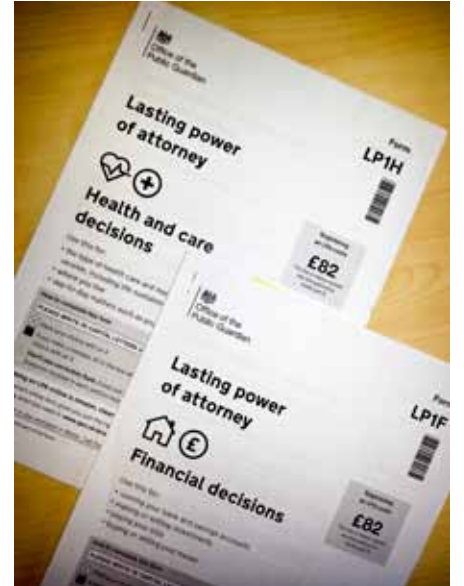
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Cumbria's Children's Hospice

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It is vital to make a Will if you care about what happens to your assets after your death. Without one, your estate would be distributed according to the statutory rules of intestacy, which means that your relatives, friends or favourite charities may not benefit as you had intended.

Eden Valley Hospice and Jigsaw Children's Hospice in Carlisle provide care for local people with life-limiting illnesses and also provide respite care and Day Hospice

services. Jigsaw is the only children's hospice in Cumbria and provides support to children and young adults with life-limiting conditions throughout the county, as well as offering support to their families.



Beaty & Co. solicitors are a well-established local firm, having practiced in Wigton for over 250 years. They have supported local charities including the valuable work of Eden Valley Hospice and Jigsaw for many years. Further details of the firm and their services can be found on their website www.beaty.co.uk.

For more information about the charity Will scheme or to make an appointment please contact Beaty & Co. on 016973 42121.

May Time Fun with Ukes of Allonby for the RNLI

On Saturday 5th May, UKES OF ALLONBY come to St Andrew's Church Hall, Solway Street, Silloth at 7:30pm for an evening of concert and singalong.

Tickets are £6 including a pie and peas supper. Bar available. Please book early!

Tickets available from Little Gems, the Lifeboat Shop or call Margaret on 016973 31502.

Do come along and share the enjoyment and enthusiasm of the musicians.

Cyclists Raised £2,382 for Radiotherapy Department



Report by: Alan Messenger

A group of local cyclists are shown handing over a cheque for £2,382.90 to the Radiotherapy Unit in Cumberland Infirmary.

The money was raised by Barry Matthews, Barry Wood, Brian Robinson, David Baker, Derek Wallace,

Darren Irwin, Stephen Pattinson, Martin Slack and Kevin Dixon by cycling from Carlisle to Glasgow over three hard, gruelling, long days.

A large sum of money was also raised by Bella & Bo Keepsakes (Sian Horsley) by making and

receiving donations for handmade bracelets. The money was given to the unit as a thank you for the recent treatment received by Alan Messenger.

A massive thank you to all who have supported and sponsored, helping to raise this grand total.

Pensioners Coffee Morning

Report by: Jean Day

Silloth Pensioners held their first Coffee Morning of 2018 on Saturday, 3rd February, in the Pensioners Hall in the Playing Field.

Despite the inclement weather it was well attended. There was a good cake stall and coffee, scones and biscuits were served.

Raffle winners were Eddy Maybury, Jean Day, Enda Keaveney, Dorothy Maxwell, Jennifer Ostle, Margaret Gate and Will Pollock.

Thank you to all who supported the event. Dates for the future monthly coffee mornings are in the "Dates for the Diary" section of the Solway Buzz.

Skinburness Road Cleanup

The Great British Spring Clean is a campaign with a simple aim: to bring people across the country together to clear up the litter that blights our towns, villages, countryside and beaches.

'Keep Britain Tidy' want to inspire 400,000 people to get outdoors, get active and help clear up the rubbish that lies around us. Join their growing army of #LitterHeroes who have had enough of other people's litter and are willing to do something about it.

On Saturday 10th March 2018, a 'Spring Clean' event

took place from 10am to 12 midday on Skinburness Road, Silloth. All tools and equipment were provided. Solway Holiday Village kindly offered to provide hot beverages.

A very big THANK YOU to Wendy Mathers, Jane Allen, Tom Brown, Elaine Wannop and Wendy Jameson who, despite the rain, turned up for the Spring Clean and managed to collect almost twenty bags of rubbish from Skinburness Road. Not only was there the usual rubbish that you would expect but there was a carpet, crockery,

signs, electrical cable and garden equipment which was disappointing. Thanks to



Allerdale Borough Council for arranging for the rubbish to be taken away afterwards and to Silloth Town Council for organising the event.



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RNLI Car Roof Rescue



Report by:
Chantelle Satterthwaite
Silloth RNLI

Silloth RNLI, Maryport Rescue, Maryport Coastguard and Cumbria police were requested by Belfast Coastguard at 10:41am on 3rd February to reports of a woman stranded in a submerged vehicle on the beach between Beckfoot and Mawbray. Silloth crew

launched at 10:46am and made way to the scene. Upon arrival, the crew could see the casualty on top of a vehicle, they quickly established a safe route around the car in order to rescue the casualty. Crew members entered the water to reposition the casualty in order for the lifeboat to recover the lady, who could not swim. Shore crew who

were on scene at the beach requested North West Ambulance service through Belfast Coastguard. The casualty had been treated for mild hypothermia by crew and fortunately she had no other injuries. The casualty was returned to Silloth RNLI station to await the ambulance who checked her over and gave her the all clear.

Senior Helmsman, Steve Henderson said "The lady was very lucky, especially with the fast incoming tide. If it had been a few minutes later we could have been looking at a different outcome. Definitely a life saved by all involved."

£2,046 Raised

In November a plea was put out on social media for support with Silloth Christmas Lights and Silloth Carnival. Within hours of the plea being posted,



financial support started coming thick and fast with some considerable sized donations coming from local businesses and local people.

There was also some fantastic support from people from further afield who visit and holiday here and love our special little town.

A just giving page was set up and a staggering £2,046.83 was raised which will be split between Silloth Lights Committee and Silloth Carnival Committee. On behalf of both committees, we would like to thank everyone who donated for their support.

Financial support

is fantastic but both committees rely on volunteers who could help out with these events and we would love to see you at our next committee meeting with new ideas on how to make these events a bigger success year on year, making sure that these events remain in the town for many a year to come.

Finally Silloth Carnival Committee are holding a coffee morning on the 19th May 10am – Noon in St Andrews Hall, Solway Street. We would love to see you all there for a cuppa, some cake and a chat.

Once again, thank you for your continued support.

Relief Boat for Silloth



On Tuesday 6th March 2018, Silloth lifeboat, the "Elaine and Don Wilkinson" (B.828) was sent away to Cowes on the Isle of Wight for her final refit! She was exchanged for the relief lifeboat "Malcolm and Mona Bennett-Williams" (B.865) and will be away for about 10

weeks.

The refit will include an upgraded navigation system known as "SIMS" and will also be fitted with an Automatic Identification System (AIS). The AIS is an automatic tracking system used by shipping and provides current

movement data such as course, speed and position. Anyone can view this data on solwayshipping.com or marinetraffic.com.

The lifeboat crew have already been trained to use the new systems which are currently fitted to the new relief lifeboat.

Bag It or Bin It!

Dog faeces can contain a parasitic worm called Toxocara.

If transferred to humans this can cause an illness called Toxocariasis, which can lead to visual impairment and even blindness. It is thought that young children are at a higher risk of developing Toxocariasis, as they are

more likely to come into contact with soil or sand that contains faeces.

Dog's mess can be disposed of in a standard public litter bin.

Those that fail to pick up after their dog can be issued a Fixed Penalty Notice for £80 by a Police Community Support Officer or a Street Scene Officer.

Those that bag the mess but don't bin it (for example they dispose of the bag in a hedge, a tree or a garden) and by doing so are littering, can also be issued with a fixed penalty fine of £80.

Allerdale Borough Council needs your help to target offenders.

Together we can make a difference.

When You See Someone Not Picking Up After Their Dog Fouls?

Take their picture and send it to Allerdale Borough Council using the free app **myAllerdale** on your phone or go to:
www.allerdale.gov.uk/reportdogfouling

Allerdale Borough Council provide free bags at all their offices.

There are many litter bins across Allerdale in which you can get rid of scooped poop. If you can't find a litter bin whilst you're out, take the mess home and put it in your bin. If you don't clean up after your pet you may well be fined or have to go to Magistrates Court.

Please clean up after your dog



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Dog fouling is unpleasant for everyone and can spread disease. Most people clean up after their dogs but those who don't risk a £1000 fine.

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- Don't discard your used poo bags for someone else to pick up.
- It's important to keep sight of your dog at all times when in a public space so that you can see when and where they poo.
- If you see someone in need of a poo bag offer them one of yours!
- Remember to wash your hands after your walk. Dog faeces may contain worms that can be a threat to human health. For advice about treating your dog against worms, contact your vet.

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Creative Writing Workshop

New this year: Ann Lingard will be running a creative writing (fiction and non-fiction) workshop, 'A sense of place', on Saturday May 19th, from 10am-4pm.

This is for aspiring and practising writers, on behalf of Cumbria Wildlife Trust, and will take place at the RSPB's Campfield Reserve near Bowness-on-Solway. Part of the day will be spent out on the saltmarsh, and the remainder indoors in the Solway Wetlands Centre.

Full details are on Ann's blog, <https://solwayshorewalker.wordpress.com/2018/03/10/capturing-a-saltmarsh-in-words-a-creative-writing-day-on-the-upper-solway/> and booking details are on the events pages of Cumbria Wildlife Trust (www.cumbriawildlifetrust.org.uk; tel: 01539 816300)



Z Bee
by Leland Graham
from
Holm Cultram Abbey School

£2,500 Donated at Country & Western Weekend



The biannual Country & Western Weekend at Stanwix Park in early March suffered because of the horrendous weather. Nevertheless, the hardy ones who made it all the way to Silloth had a great time. One couple from the North East found that their usual two hour journey took six hours!

During the weekend the £2,500 charity money raised at the November festival was presented to the Abbey Campbell Memorial Fund (Asthma).

A further £695 was raised at this festival and will be donated during the November get-together.

Guided Shorewalks in Allonby Bay

Ann Lingard's popular low-tide walks to look at the creatures in the sand, on the rocks, and in the Solway's newest Marine Conservation Zone at Allonby Bay, start again in April.

Dates are: Wednesday April 18th (8am), Sunday

June 17th (9am), Sunday August 12th (7:15am, for Cumbria Wildlife Trust, and part of National Marine Weeks), Tuesday August 14th (8:30am), and Wednesday September 12th (8:30am). Apologies for the early starts, but the Solway's good low tides are always at unsociable hours!

The walks are usually free, and last about two hours, and dogs and children are of course most welcome. Booking is essential as there is a limit on numbers, and all details - when, what to wear and how to reserve your place - are on the Solway Shore Stories website (www.solwayshorestories.co.uk), under 'Shorewalker'; or call 016973 21967.

RNLI Quiz Night



Report by: Margaret English

On Friday 2nd February fourteen quiz teams gathered once again to compete in the annual RNLI Quiz at Mrs Wilson's in Silloth.

The event was very oversubscribed, and our apologies go to those teams that could not get a place. David and Carol at Mrs Wilson's welcomed everybody warmly and kept everyone well-watered throughout the evening. At half time they put on an excellent supper of

sandwiches, sausage roll and quiche, which was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

The Silloth and District RNLI Fundraising group thank everyone at Mrs Wilson's for making the evening yet another great success!

As usual Geoff and Sarah Betsworth were setting the very testing quiz questions and running the evening. Grateful thanks to them both for their hard work which is very much appreciated by

us all. It was a very relaxed and enjoyable evening for everyone.

The winning team was Hayton Orient with 66 points closely followed by Central Terrace with 60 points. The final place was closely contested with Popeye's girls taking the place.

£348 was raised which is about £30 more than last year. Finally, as ever, a very special thank you to everyone who came along and joined in the fun.

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Soldiers in Silloth

The toy soldier museum has been closed for the winter but hopes to be open at Easter. Re-opening fully in June.

The management committee have decided for 2018 to make no charge for entry but to ask for donations. The charge has only been £2 per adult and £1 for under-16s but volunteers constantly see visitors turn away at the very notion of having to pay.

The committee's aim is to bring people into Silloth and improve the town's visitor experience so they would like to see as many people as possible enjoying the exhibition. Whether greater numbers giving less per head will generate the same or hopefully more income remains to be seen.

There are many more figures for sale now which may boost revenue.

And there will be lots of new displays as another room opens.

Soldiers in Silloth is always in need of more financial support and also more volunteers!

Sessions on the door receiving visitors and answering their enquiries last only 2 to 3 hours.



British soldiers of D Day World War 2



D'Artagnan and the musketeers made in Spain

Coaching on the history and the background of the soldiers and toys comes as a bonus.

Anyone who has free time and would like to help us – please contact Susan Child 016973 32946.

Waver Wine Circle

Report by: Stuart Jones

Valentine's Day was the occasion of our annual Cheese, Wine and Games Evening.

Apologies were received from our Chairman, Bill Henderson due to illness, we wish him well. Vice Chair Graham Stukins took care of the evening's proceedings.

Fifteen members and guests were entertained by Janet and Graham with their usual thought provoking

quizzes and Graham gave us a snapshot view into his family history!. We also had a musical interlude for those of us unable to read music. I will never listen to the 'William Tell Overture' in the same way again. Stella and Jan provided a wide range of cheeses and nibbles and everyone seemed to go home with a draw prize. Enjoyment was the theme of the evening.

For our March meeting

we had our own version of the Antiques Road Show which we called 'Bring a Bygone'.

Chairman Bill Henderson welcomed all, including new member Ann Park. Ten were in attendance and numerous items were tabled, starting with an old snooker table iron through to a child's toy balancing parrot given as a present in 1944, morse code keys, a Japanese cup and saucer and much more. The items all bringing back memories and much laughter and discussion.

Thanks to Stella for her "goodies" to accompany the wine, the draw was won by Jan Jones.

Our next meeting will be our AGM to be held on Wednesday 11th April.



Report by: Jenny Stride

At our February meeting we welcomed two visitors, Mary and Lynn, to the group.

The speaker was Norman Godfrey who had brought slides of Wasdale in Winter. Norman explained that these were the results of numerous visits to the area in February, March, October and November 2006.

Wasdale is the deepest and least visited of the lakes. It is surrounded by Scafell, Scafell Pike, Great Gable and Kirkfell. There is a non religious remembrance service each year on Great Gable to remember members of the Mountain Rescue Teams who lost their lives in service to their country.

The slide show accompanied by music from Litolf's Concerto Sinfonico No 4 showed the spectacular scenery of the area. It is a very harsh environment in winter and Norman's slides showing the ice formation on the streams and rocks were stunning.

Competition Winners were: 1. Olga Hetherington 2. Pauline La Plante Flower Competition 1. Pauline La Plante 2. Pat Bell Raffle

1. Mary Johnstone 2. Valerie Lodge.

At our March meeting the speaker was Paul Heslop and his subject was Grace Darling and the Northumberland Coast. This was very interesting and I have tried to give a taster of his talk.

As Paul reminded us Grace was born in 1815 at Bamburgh. Until the Longstones lighthouse was built in 1826 her father was light keeper on Brownsman Island, this involved the lighting of a bonfire to warn the shipping.

By 1938 Grace and her father and younger brother were the only occupants of the lighthouse although on the night of 7 September 1938 only she and her father were there.

The SS Forfarshire a paddle steamer and rigging regularly plied her trade between Hull and Dundee. As Dundee was her home port when a problem arose with the boiler there was no maintenance available

at Hull and the Captain made the disastrous decision to sail for Dundee believing that if the boiler failed he would be able to rig the sails. However when the boiler failed at the height of the storm they were unable to do so

and the ship was forced by the storm onto the Big Harca reef and broke in two. Of the 62 passengers on board only nine survived. Some of the crew used the lifeboat and escaped.

The lighthouse was a mile from the reef and in the morning Grace saw there were people clinging to the reef. She convinced her father that despite the still stormy seas that they should row to the reef and rescue these people. She and her father brought four men and a woman back to the lighthouse. After a rest two of the rescued men rowed over and brought back the other four.

Wordsworth wrote a poem in her honour and even in those days Grace Darling souvenirs were produced. Unfortunately Grace died in 1842 at the age of 26 from TB.

As well as this Paul showed us many slides and pictures showing how the coast of Northumberland has changed over the years. Tynemouth Longsands used to be a very popular holiday destination, in the 1950's Paul can remember the beach being extremely crowded, one mining town used to have an annual trip organised by the Working Men's Club whereby twenty



buses would transport 1,500 people on a day trip. There was also a swimming pool which is now full of rocks. These days the beach is almost deserted.

Blyth used to be the busiest port for shipping coal and the Staithes

were built so that wagons could drop their load onto a chute that led straight to the hold of the ships. With the decline of the coal industry these became derelict but have been rebuilt as a monument to the mining industry. Blyth also used to have an aluminium plant and power station but these have also gone.

At Calcott there is a 14th century Hermitage which was carved out from sandstone.

Holy Island (Lindisfarne) can be reached by a tidal causeway. St Cuthbert is known as the Bishop who merged the two forms of Catholicism; Celtic (Irish Catholics) and Roman in practice at the time. He became a saint after his body was dug up eleven years after his death and was found not to have decayed.

In AD793 Holy Island was the first place to be attacked by the Vikings.

Paul donates his fees to Hospice at Home and has so far raised approx £10,000.

General Competition

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Parish Clerk on
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or by email:
parishprojectsgroup@
holmelow.co.uk

Commonwealth Day Flag Raised



Report by: Wendy Jameson

More than one thousand Commonwealth flags were raised around the world at 10am local time on Monday 12th March - Commonwealth Day 2018, in a shared celebration of this amazing family of nations that encompasses the globe.

Silloth-on-Solway took part in the celebration, with the raising of the Commonwealth Flag in the Community Garden on Silloth Green. The ceremony was well attended, with pupils and staff from Silloth Primary School and Solway Community School, and representatives from other groups and organisations in the town.

At 9:45am, Cllr. Graham Wilkinson,

Deputy Mayor of Silloth welcomed everyone to the Flag Raising Ceremony. The Commonwealth Affirmation was read out by Becky Weightman, Ella Baker and Kia Orchard, year 9 pupils from Solway Community School. They were supported by Max Brough and Ben Mattinson, who read out the affirmation at the 2017 flag raising ceremony.

Cllr. Wilkinson read out a personal message from the Commonwealth Secretary-General, The Right Honourable Patricia Scotland QC. "Fly a Flag for the Commonwealth is

an occasion to acknowledge publicly and collectively the continuing aspiration of the Commonwealth to build on common traditions and uphold our shared values of democracy, inclusive development and respect for diversity." At 10am, Cllr. Wilkinson raised the Commonwealth Flag, this being the fourth year of the event.

The 2018 Commonwealth theme: 'Towards a Common Future' explores how the Commonwealth can address global challenges and work to create a better future for all citizens through sub-themes

of sustainability, safety, prosperity and fairness, in line with the theme of the 2018 Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in London.

In a message from Her Majesty The Queen, as Head of the Commonwealth, sent ahead of Commonwealth Day: "Voluntary effort, by people working as individuals, in groups or through larger associations, is so often what shapes the Commonwealth and all our communities."

This is so very true of the community of Silloth and something we can all be very proud of.



Queen Bee

by Lily-Mae Parker from Holm Cultram Abbey School



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Silloth Artist Tim Meets Nick Sharratt



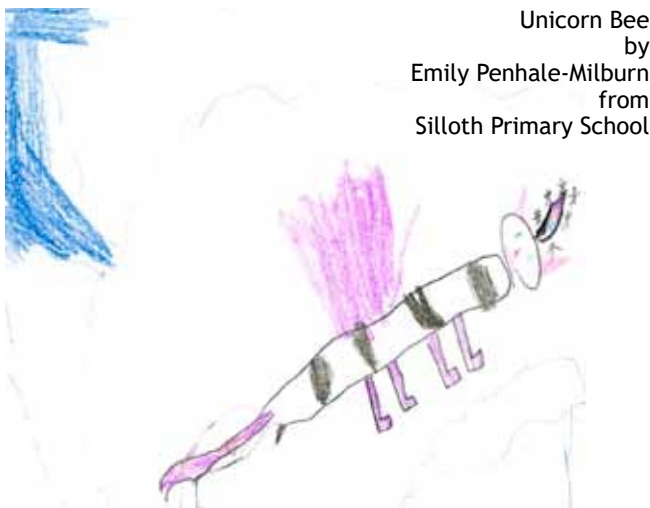
Nick Sharratt meeting Tim Stead and his son Thomas

Cumbrian author and illustrator Tim Stead said "I was absolutely thrilled and delighted when I was asked by Nick Sharratt and The Beacon Museum in Whitehaven to participate in Nick Sharratt's Pirates Pants and Wellyphants exhibition. Obviously he's best known for his collaboration work with Author Jacqueline Wilson and the infamous Tracy Beaker books, which even I remember at my age!"

Me and my son Thomas were lucky enough to meet Nick on the day of the opening of the exhibition and get a new book by Nick signed for Thomas. But then we were even luckier to be invited back at the end of the day by Nick himself to have a

personal one on one chat and be given some industry advice and wonderful support for my work, from a professional that is at the high end of his game.

I'm really looking forward to the workshops that begin at The Beacon in Whitehaven on Friday 6th April and also on the 13th April. Pre booking is essential as I know spaces are being filled fast. I will be showing young budding artists a few starter tricks and secrets, on how to professionally illustrate children's books like me and Nick Sharratt do! Also copies of my book Dinoshakes and Bellyaches will be on sale, I will be personally signing them when purchased on the day of the workshops.



Unicorn Bee by Emily Penhale-Milburn from Silloth Primary School

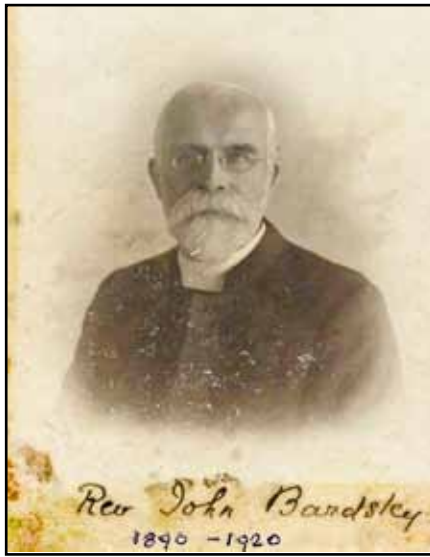
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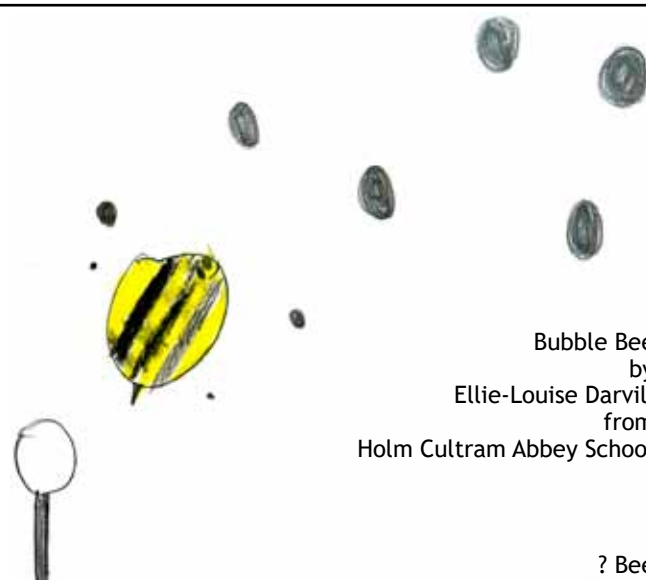
Does anyone have any photos of past Ministers, we have the names and the dates of all Ministers from 1849 onwards, we just need photographs.

We can copy and return

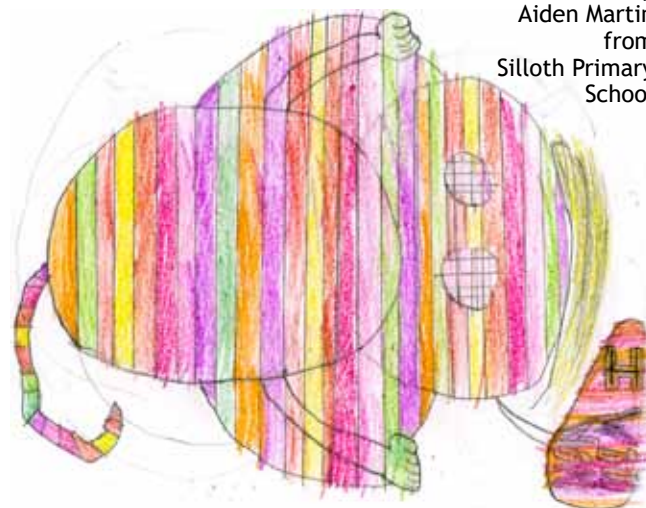


any originals to you.

Contact Brian Bailey on 01900 881737 or 7542 781234.



Bubble Bee by Ellie-Louise Darvill from Holm Cultram Abbey School



? Bee by Aiden Martin from Silloth Primary School

Cold Caller Warning

Cumbria Trading Standards are continuing to warn both the farming community and local residents to look out for doorstep callers after further reports have been received across the County.

Individuals are visiting farms and offering tarmac for sale stating that they have "left overs" after working on the local highway. Trading Standards advice is to always say 'NO' to any cold callers and we ask that you look out for elderly or vulnerable family, friends and neighbours.

Consumers should be extremely cautious when approached by any doorstep callers offering to sell goods or conduct work on their property. These types of callers often use persuasive or aggressive tactics to get people to agree to have work carried out and then charge



far more than was quoted for poor quality work or goods.

They often fail to provide a legally required cancellation notice which enables the householder to cancel the work within a statutory fourteen day cooling off period.

If you have been called in this way and require further advice, or want to report the matter, Trading Standards can be contacted via the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 03454 040506 or by visiting www.adviceguide.org.uk

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TPS Scam

Cumbria Trading Standards are warning local residents be aware of any unsolicited telephone callers asking for the banking details, following reports of residents being cold called by a company claiming to be from the Telephone Preference Service (TPS).

The service/device they are offering is unlikely to exist and it is simply an attempt to obtain credit card, sort code and bank account details or other financial information from consumers.

Cumbria Trading Standards and Cumbria Police advice is simple; don't give personal or financial information to any cold callers. Often these sellers prey on the most vulnerable. For all your goods and services it is better to deal with reputable traders

operating out of fixed premises who you know and trust.

Consumers can register their details with the Telephone Preference Service (TPS) to reduce the number of unsolicited sales and marketing calls. More details can be found at www.tpsonline.org.uk or contact the TPS registration line on 0345 070 0707.

If you have been called in this way and require further advice, or want to report the matter, Trading Standards can be contacted via the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 03454 04 05 06 or by visiting www.adviceguide.org.uk

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Once Upon a Time - on Concorde



Concorde is the most graceful and the fastest commercial passenger plane ever built

Concorde coming in to land with its nose in the down position

On Sunday 19th February 1984 Lawrence Marshall decided to go on a Supersonic Concorde pleasure flight. It was a very satisfying experience. These flights were offered to the public to bring in some much wanted finance. The cost was £330 (1984) for the two hour experience.

We assembled at Heathrow in the Concorde lounge which was decked out with plants of all description. Those of us on the flight were taken to the aircraft leaving relations and friends in the lounge. The seating capacity was 100 in rows of four with a central aisle. There was a crew of three: The Captain (whose signature we cannot be sure of). First Officer Brian Holland and Flight Engineer Bill Brown. At the front of the passenger area is a large digital display showing the speed of the aircraft. It showed the speed using the Mach system. Mach 1 is the speed of sound which is 670 mph.

After boarding we took off. The runway take off speed is 250 mph, similar to the top speed of a F1 car. Concorde is fitted with a nose cone which can be lowered to allow the crew to have a better view of



Lawrence Marshall travels a little slower today

the airfield for take off and landing. We crossed the South of England and then over the Bay of Biscay to go supersonic. We recorded

Mach 2.04 which is 1,350mph (if we take Silloth to Carlisle as 23 miles it would take 60 seconds at that speed). During the flight we were



Lawrence and friends flying from Silloth Airfield in 1958 to the IOM TT races

taken four at a time to the flight-deck where the crew of three were surrounded by a mass of instruments. We were also served with a glass of champagne by the rather smart stewardess. The plane flies at an altitude of 60,000 feet, which is 11 miles high. Modern airliners fly at 35,000 feet at a speed of up to 600mph. Compare the Concorde figures with a trip I took to the IOM TT races in 1958 on a De Havilland Rapide with a seating

capacity of eight and top speed of 160mph. This flight was from Silloth airfield.

During the Concorde flight the Captain announced that if we concentrated we would feel a slight bump as the plane went through the sound barrier.

On our return to Heathrow we went back to the Concorde lounge which was rather crowded. At first



I could not see Mary (my late wife), I finally located her examining an exotic plant with a gentleman who turned out to be the husband of the lady I was seated next to on the flight. Mary did not like flying at all.

We were issued with our certificates confirming the Supersonic flight. I believe supersonic flight will again be available in the future. This was one of the most rewarding days of my life.

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Please let us know of any changes within this section

Doors Open Lunch

'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.

Are these entries all up to date If not - please let us know

Christ Church

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

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

Abbeytown Library

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

Production Team

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Dates for the Diary

March

22nd Lent Lunch in Holm Cultram Abbey tearoom noon to 1pm, all welcome

24th Silloth Tigers v Furness

24th Cream Tea in St Andrews Hall, 2pm to 4pm

24th MOROCCO comes to Mawbray Village Hall, see advert, tickets 01900 881737

April

4th Parkinson's UK meeting at Wheyrigg Hall at 11am, lunch at 12:15pm, all welcome, speaker Joe Kewin on Making Stained Glass Tel: 016973 52527

7th Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning in Eden St Recreation Hall

7th Silloth Tigers away at Upper Eden

9th Silloth Town Council meeting in Community Hall 7pm

11th Police Drop In at Silloth Local Links 2pm-4pm

11th WI Meeting in Community Hall at 7:15pm

11th Waver Wine Circle AGM

14th Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

14th Art Exhibition, the work of Neil Hepburn, in Culterham Hall, Mawbray 10am to 4pm, see advert

14th Silloth Tigers v Millom

15th Art Exhibition, the work of Neil Hepburn, in Culterham Hall, Mawbray 10am to 4pm, see advert

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

18th Low-Tide shorewalk in Allonby Bay at 8am Tel: 016973 21967

21st Ladies Night in aid of Variety Children's Charity, 7pm in Mawbray Village Hall Tickets Debbie 07833 582893

21st Beetle Drive in St Andrews Hall with Pie & Peas, 7pm to 9:30pm

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Arthritis Support

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

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

May

2nd Parkinson's UK meeting at Wheyrigg Hall at 11am, lunch at 12:15pm, all welcome, speaker Rosalind Smith on Tai Chi Exercises Tel: 016973 52527

5th Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning in Eden St Recreation Hall

5th Ukuleles of Allonby at St Andrew's Church Hall at 7:30pm, tickets £6 inc Pie & Pea supper, bar available, tel 016973 31502

8th Holme Low Parish Council meeting in Silloth Community Hall @ 7:30pm

9th WI Meeting in Community Hall at 7:15pm

14th Silloth Town Council meeting in Community Hall 7pm

16th Police Drop In at Silloth Local Links 2pm-4pm

19th Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

19th Silloth Carnival Committee Coffee Morning 10am-Noon in St Andrews Hall

20th Plants, Produce & Craft Fair in Mawbray Village Hall 10am to 4pm

27th Silloth Green Day 11am to 4pm on Silloth Green

June

2nd Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning & Eve's Fashions in Eden St Recreation Hall

4th Silloth Town Council meeting in Community Hall 7pm

6th Parkinson's UK meeting at Wheyrigg Hall at 11am, lunch at 12:15pm, all welcome, speaker Steve Viney on Muical Extravaganza Tel: 016973 52527

8th Funky Town Festival at Stanwix Park

9th Silloth Vintage Rally

9th Quiz Night in St Andrews Hall with finger buffet

9th Funky Town Festival at Stanwix Park

9th Silloth Vintage Rally

10th Funky Town Festival at Stanwix Park

13th WI Meeting in Community Hall at 7:15pm

16th Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

Crafting Group

Interested in crafting? come along to Silloth Crafting Group on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:30pm at St Andrews 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.

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

June cont'd

16th Abbeytown Family Fun Day and Duck Race

17th Low-Tide shorewalk in Allonby Bay at 9am Tel: 016973 21967

20th Police Drop In at Silloth Local Links 2pm-4pm

22nd Ragnarock Rally V at Silloth Rugby Club

23rd Ragnarock Rally V at Silloth Rugby Club

24th Ragnarock Rally V at Silloth Rugby Club

July

2nd Silloth Town Council meeting in Community Hall 7pm

4th Parkinson's UK meeting at Wheyrigg Hall at 11am, lunch at 12:15pm, all welcome, for a chat Tel: 016973 52527

7th Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning in Eden St Recreation Hall

7th American Night in St Andrews Hall with Ukelele Band & Buffet, 7pm to 9:30pm

11th WI Meeting in Community Hall at 7:15pm

14th Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

25th Police Drop In at Silloth Local Links 2pm-4pm

August

1st Parkinson's UK meeting at Wheyrigg Hall at 11am, lunch at 12:15pm, all welcome, speaker Stephen White on Solway Steam Tel: 016973 52527

11th Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

12th Low-Tide shorewalk in Allonby Bay at 7:15am Tel: 016973 21967

14th Low-Tide shorewalk in Allonby Bay at 8:30am Tel: 016973 21967

August

14th Holme Low Parish Council meeting in Silloth Community Hall @ 7:30pm

24th Solfest

25th Cream Tea in St Andrews Hall, 2pm to 4pm

25th Solfest

26th Solfest

27th Silloth Carnival

29th Police Drop In at Silloth Local Links 2pm-4pm

September

1st Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning in Eden St Recreation Hall

2nd Silloth Community Craft Show

3rd Silloth Town Council meeting in Community Hall 7pm

5th Parkinson's UK

Have You Sent In Your Dates Yet?

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

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

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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

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

Buzzing Letters

Dear Buzz,

My partner and I are regular volunteers to help clean our local beaches, I understand John Gorrill the organizer has submitted details to you and we thought it might be of use to you to know why we volunteer. We retired recently and moved to Skinburness, we became involved because we believe we are privileged to live in such a lovely unspoilt place, which is only marred by the ugly rubbish, mainly plastic washed up on the Solway beaches. Sadly, as well as the usual rubbish such as plastic bottles, cans, plastic bags and almost anything else you think of including the kitchen fridge, an awful lot of it does seem to come from the fishing industry.

If we don't do something about this what are we leaving for future generations? While our efforts sometimes seem to be very insignificant when you see how much trash is dumped in our seas, at least in some small way we are part of the solution not the problem. It is good though now, to see the issue of plastic pollution being recognised around our world and It would be great to see more volunteers both young and old joining us to bash the trash!

Melanie and Ray Oldroyd
Skinburness

Melanie commented in the letter above that the fishing industry puts a lot of rubbish into the sea. On 1st February at Crosscanonby I took a photo of Melanie, her partner Ray and a mess of fishing debris collected during the two hour beach clean. This is the evidence to back up her comment.



John Gorrill, Fix the Firth

Dear Buzz,

To those still interested in the Cemetery Saga, I have been informed it is the intention of the council to demolish the building at the cemetery (a poor excuse in my opinion) to prevent maintenance costs, and re-install the water on site. This is all to take place before the end of March, they didn't say what year. The problem of moles has been sorted, true to their word. The installation of a mirror for a safe exit has been passed to the County Council so Lord only knows when we will see any action there, until then be careful.

C. Briggs

Dear Buzz,

I wish to object to the demolition of the building at Causewayhead cemetery. The council itself are to blame for the poor state of the building having spent nothing on it. Over the past 4 years that I know of there has been no running water and not a coat of paint, in fact it makes a mockery of Allerdale's slogan (making it a place to live work and visit) it certainly is not a great place to die! Is it the policy of Allerdale to allow buildings to become dilapidated then seek demolition orders on

them?
Toilet facilities and running water should be reinstated to make the place at least hygienic. To say the demolition would increase burial space well yes! about ten. The cemetery is nearly full it is obvious the cemetery needs expansion it does not take the brains of Britain to work out where this should take place. You are talking about the future, short term fixes generally finish up being more costly. Most Silloth and district people would like a place to be proud of and on a par with Maryport and Wigton.

Mr C Briggs

Dear Buzz,

In July 2018 the Church formerly know as Silloth Mission but which since 1975 has been known as Silloth Evangelical Free Church, will celebrate its 80th Anniversary. I am seeking anyone with information in terms of photos, posters, etc., who would be willing to let me borrow the same. There will be a service of Thanksgiving on Sunday 29th July at 10:45am and at 6:30pm, and on Saturday 28th July at 7pm there will be a time of informal get-together with an Epilogue at the close. All these events will be followed by refreshments. In 2008 we held our 70th anniversary which was a huge success so we are trusting for an even more successful 80th anniversary. If you have details or photos of your wedding held at our Church, these would be gratefully received also.

in anticipation
Averil E Hodgson

Steve
by
George
from
Holme St Cuthbert
School



Masthead Bee Winner

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This month the winner is Hannah Byers from Holme St Cuthbert Primary School with a bee drawing called "Rebecca Bee".

Well done!

Dear Buzz,

I'm writing this as chairman of SPAND (Solway Plain Against Nuclear Dump). As you will know the Government issued an 'invitation to express an interest' into having a Nuclear Disposal Facility in your area, at the end of January. This matter was discussed at Silloth Town Council meeting on Monday 5th March. The Council kindly allowed me to speak on the matter. I expressed the feeling that it was no surprise this matter had raised it's head again. The Government has to deal with this material and dumping it in a large hole in the ground seems to be their preferred way of doing it. However, as many on the Council would remember this matter had been exhaustively discussed and examined when this last raised it's head in 2012/13. And the Solway Plain was found to be totally unsuitable because the geology was unsound. Siting it here would be unsafe. The heat and contamination would eventually break through to the surface. I also drew Councils attention to the difference in the nature of the new proposals to the previous set. Previously an area could withdraw its involvement at any stage. Under the new proposals once an area has expressed an interest then, the relationship would be better described as a 'partnership'. Between the area and Government. Which needs both sides to agree for it to end. I asked Council to decide to not express any interest. Councillor Cook reminded the meeting that in the previous round the promises of employment and extra income for the region had been shown to be insubstantial and lacked credibility. The meeting decided unanimously to not express an interest in having the dump on the Solway Plain.

John Haywood
SPAND

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Poems

Address To The Laddies
(on Burns Night)
by Penny Stimson

To all you strong Scottish lads
who wear the famous kilt.
Showing big and hairy legs
it makes us women wilt.

But we are in sympathy with you,
we know just what it's like.
To have the wind blow up your dress
tugging with all it's might.

That's why they made red flannel draws
to keep us women warm.
Protecting us under our dress
From wind, snow and storm.

So ladies take a glass to toast
these hardy men of rock,
Who wear nothing under the kilt,
boy, do they enjoy a shock!

Mother
by Penny Stimson

How can I say thank you
for all that you have done.
For in this world there will be
no one like your mum.

Her smile can take away the hurt
and make the world seem right,
her laughter lifts your spirits
and puts all fear to flight.

A tender kiss and loving hug
gives such security.
You fall asleep contented
on a mothers knee.

No matter how old you become
her love will never change.
A look, a smile, a loving hug,
to her you never age.

Then one sad day
your mother will not be here,
and you will be the parent
to pass on her love and care.



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A grey winter's morning
saw the departure of general
cargo vessel FRI TIDE.

Visibility was poor with
occasional snow flurries,
not the best of conditions
for the ship photographer.
Nevertheless, passage through
the dock entrance and
acceleration into the Solway is
always an impressive sight.

The regular Silloth
molasses tanker
ZAPADNYY had arrived
earlier on the same tide
leaving just enough time for
the departure of FRI TIDE.
She was bound for Riga
having arrived the previous
day from the same Latvian

port with fertiliser. Her
arrival had been affected
by one of the endless series
of winter storms. She had
almost completed the
seven day sailing without
incident, but having reached
southwest Scotland needed
to seek shelter off the Isle
of Whithorn for 24 hours.
Conditions soon eased &
she was able to proceed to
the pilot pick-up point at
Workington.

This was the first visit
of the Norwegian owned
vessel to the port; she trades
regularly between the UK
and Eastern Europe. There
are sixteen other vessels in
the company's fleet all of
which include the 'FRI' prefix
in their name, presumably
an abbreviation of 'Friborg',
the ship agency arm of the
company.



Lazzzzzzzzzzz Bee
by Sadie Hope from Silloth Primary School

Jan/Feb Shipping at the Port of Silloth

Report by: Ian Macpherson,
Deputy Harbour Master &
Short Sea Pilot

January
4th Marie-B from
Antwerp with a cargo of
Fertiliser, departed on the 6th
to Drogheda.

6th Zapadnyy from
Bremen with a cargo of
Molasses departed on the 8th
to Bremen.

14th Sea Hunter from
Nantes with a cargo of Wheat
departed on the 17th to
Dublin.

29th Lady Ariane
from Ghent with a cargo of
Fertiliser departed on the
30th to Kilroot.

Various visits by TN
trawlers George Lou N,
Philomena, Olivia Jean and
Noordzee. TN new trawler
Ptarmigan now on dock

fitting out.
February
5th Torpo from La
Pallice with a cargo of Wheat
departed on the 6th to Sea
For Orders.

13th Fri Tide from Riga
with a cargo of Fertiliser
departed on the 14th to Riga.

14th Zapadnyy from
Bremen with a cargo of
Molasses departed on the
16th to Zeebrugge.

21st Lianne from Vierow
with a cargo of Wheat
departed on the 22nd to
Newport.

26th Swedica Hav from
Ghent with a cargo of Wheat
departed on the 26th to
Teignmouth.

Regular visits by TN
Trawlers Ptarmigan,
Noordzee, George Lou N and
Philomena over this month.

Silloth Tide Tables

APRIL 2018				SILLOTH			
				DEPTHS ON NEW DOCK GAUGE (1.8m ABOVE CD)			
				High Water		Low Water	
Date	Morning		Afternoon	Morning		Afternoon	
	Time	m		Time	m	Time	m
1 SU	00 01	7.5	12 17	7.7	07 03	-1.2	19 30
2 M	00 37	7.5	12 55	7.6	07 40	-1.2	20 06
3 TU	01 14	7.4	13 31	7.4	08 16	-1.2	20 40
4 W	01 48	7.2	14 06	7.0	08 49	-0.9	21 09
5 TH	02 23	6.8	14 41	6.5	09 19	-0.6	21 36
6 F	03 00	6.3	15 21	6.0	09 49	-0.2	22 06
7 SA	03 43	5.8	16 10	5.3	10 25	0.2	22 46
8 SU	04 38	5.2	17 16	4.8	11 16	0.5	23 46
9 M	05 53	4.8	18 45	4.5			12 32
10 TU	07 18	4.8	20 10	4.8	01 17	0.8	14 03
11 W	08 29	5.2	21 10	5.3	02 40	0.6	15 14
12 TH	09 22	5.8	21 54	5.9	03 42	0.3	16 09
13 F	10 03	6.3	22 29	6.3	04 31	-0.2	16 56
14 SA	10 40	6.8	23 03	6.8	05 15	-0.5	17 39
15 SU	11 15	7.2	23 36	7.1	05 57	-0.8	18 20
16 M	11 51	7.4			06 38	-1.0	19 00
17 TU	00 10	7.4	12 26	7.6	07 18	-1.2	19 38
18 W	00 46	7.4	13 06	7.6	07 56	-1.2	20 15
19 TH	01 27	7.4	13 48	7.4	08 36	-1.1	20 53
20 F	02 09	7.2	14 34	7.1	09 14	-0.9	21 30
21 SA	02 56	6.8	15 27	6.6	09 57	-0.6	22 14
22 SU	03 52	6.3	16 32	6.0	10 50	-0.3	23 11
23 M	05 05	5.9	17 52	5.6			12 01
24 TU	06 31	5.6	19 17	5.6	00 28	0.3	13 27
25 W	07 48	5.9	20 31	6.0	01 56	0.2	14 45
26 TH	08 56	6.3	21 30	6.4	03 12	-0.1	15 54
27 F	09 50	6.8	22 19	6.9	04 17	-0.5	16 52
28 SA	10 35	7.1	23 00	7.1	05 11	-0.7	17 41
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In recognition of the life-changing work foster carers do with local children, in its budget, Cumbria County Council agreed to double the fees it pays to carers.

The decision is intended to make becoming a foster carer a financially viable option for more people in Cumbria and brings Cumbria in line with the fees paid by neighbouring local authorities and independent fostering agencies.

The increased fees, when combined with the weekly allowance which foster carers receive for each child in their care, means that newly approved foster carers can expect to receive up to £282 a week for each child they care for, and experienced carers up to £479. (See Notes for Editors for full details)

The increase in fees will be implemented from 2 April 2018.

Cllr Anne Burns, Cabinet Member for Children's Services, said: "We know people don't become foster carers because of the money, but providing the right financial support is important. I hope that this decision demonstrates how much we value our existing carers and attracts new carers to come forward. We need more local carers so we can meet the needs of children in Cumbria, in their own communities. While there will always be a need to place children with independent fostering agencies, our aim is to ensure as many of our young people as possible are well-matched with Cumbria's own foster carers and can

benefit from the excellent support networks we provide. There is agreement within the council that this is the right thing to do - both for our foster carers and for the children in our care."

Penrith's Rob Mason and his wife Christine have been fostering a brother and sister (aged 9 and 13) since they were approved to foster 18 months ago.

Rob said: "Whilst as carers, we are not in it for the money, we do regard ourselves as professionals and this increase is recognition on the part of the council of the hugely important role that carers provide. Going forward, if the increased fees are a trigger for those who had previously considered looking after children to take that step then hopefully in the not too distant future we can expect more carers to qualify which can only be a good thing for children in Cumbria."

While in the short term the increase in fees will be an additional cost to the council of £1.3m a year, it is forecast that by 2022/23 there will be a reduction in costs of around £600,000 a year as a result of reduced reliance on placing children with independent fostering agencies or in residential care which tends to be higher cost. The savings assume an increase of 15 fostering households each year.

The fee increase is part of a package of measures intended to improve our ability to provide the right care for children in the county, which includes:

Investment in the Homestays scheme for children over 16, which gives them an option to transition from fostering or residential care into a supportive home environment where they can stay safe and learn the skills needed for future independent living.

Investment in a new targeted fostering scheme specifically to support carers to take on teenagers with complex needs. This will allow care to be provided closer to home and reduce costs associated with expensive residential care.

Overall, all changes taken together are forecast to reduce costs by £1.5m by 2022/23 while also improving the availability of appropriate care options in the county.

Cllr Anne Burns added: "I'm delighted we've been able to make these changes. They put us in the best possible position to meet the needs of the most vulnerable children in Cumbria and work with our carers to encourage more people to join Cumbria's biggest family."

To find out more about fostering with Cumbria County Council visit www.cumbria.gov.uk/fostering or call 0303 333 1216.

Phantom Debt Fraud

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The fraudsters are requesting payment, sometimes by bank transfer and if refused, they threaten to visit homes or workplaces in order to recover the supposed debt that is owed. In some cases, the victim is also threatened with arrest.

Protect Yourself

- Make vigorous checks if you ever get a cold call. Bailiffs for example, should always be able to provide you with a case number and warrant number, along with their name and the court they are calling from; make a note of all details provided to you.

- If you receive a visit from a bailiff, they must always identify themselves as a Court Bailiff at the earliest possible opportunity. Ask to

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- If you work for a business and receive a call or visit, be sure to speak with your manager or business owner first.
- Exercise caution believing someone is genuine because you've found something on the internet; fraudsters could easily create fake online profiles to make you believe them.
- Double check with the court, company or public body they claim to work

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- Do not feel rushed or intimidated to make a decision based on a phone call. Take five and listen to your instincts.

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by Hannah Stalker from Silloth Primary School



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Silloth Seagulls Struggling On

Report by: Mr C Gull

After finishing 2017 on a high with a superb victory at Netherhall the Seagulls were looking to carry on this momentum but the new year has not been kind to a side which has struggled all season. Unfortunately five defeats out of five has left Silloth out of all cup competitions and with their Premier League survival chances hanging by a thread.

First up was the visit of Carlisle City to the Eden Street Bastion. City had been the early season strugglers but a run of good form has seen them rise to the relative safety of mid-table. The less said about this 8-0 defeat the better! The only positive note for Silloth came from the man of the match performance from talented youngster Eddie Mullins.

A trip to unbeaten Aspatria was up next for the Seagulls and another heavy defeat was on the cards but as is always the case with a local derby the form book goes out of the window and this was a pulsating affair which would ultimately end in heartbreak for Silloth. The home side got the equaliser and in what has been Silloth's Achilles heal all season, once they concede one goal more quickly follow. So it was to be here as Aspatria soon added two more to their

tally to lead 3-1. Dan Foster was named man of the match with the skipper being a rock at the heart of the Seagulls' defence.

Silloth had hoped to be the main challengers to Workington Athletic's crown but after this 10-1 league defeat, it meant that their three meetings this season (two league, one cup) had all resulted in heavy defeats for the Seagulls. Skipper Dan Foster was Silloth's goalscorer and once again man of the match.

Next up was the final cup competition of the season and the visit of local rivals Wigton in the second round of the Whitehaven Cup. Wigton looked menacing on the counter-attack and this tactic paid off as they took a 1-0 lead. The tie was still firmly in the balance when early in the second half Wigton lost a man to a straight red card. However Silloth could not make the numerical advantage pay and as they threw more men forward in a desperate attempt to make the breakthrough they left



Calum Casson whips in a cross

themselves vulnerable at the back. Wigton were quick to pounce and scored twice more to seal the victory and passage into the quarter-final stage. Man of the match yet again was skipper Dan Foster who put on another textbook display at centre-half.

The two teams would clash again the following week for what would be the Seagulls penultimate league game of the season. Due to the poor winter weather Wigton had been playing their home fixtures on the 3G pitch at Harraby and the fast playing surface was a great fit for Silloth's passing football. Wigton stuck to their counter-attacking style from the previous week but the combination of Dan Foster and Dean Barton were

rock solid in the heart of the Silloth defence with keeper Luke Stockdale dealing confidently with any high balls coming his way. It was the Seagulls who were looking the most likely to opening the scoring with the pace of young wingers Spencer Irving and Eddie Mullins causing

their fullbacks all sort of problems. With that and the fluid combination play between Andy Hardman, Ellis Gardhouse and Kieran Little numerous chances were being created by Silloth but as has been the way this season they all went begging. When Wigton took the lead then it was against the run of play but there is little that can be done to stop a twenty yard free-kick curled into the top corner. Wigton's second goal was another matter entirely as the Seagulls failed to deal adequately with a corner in first half stoppage time and allowed an easy finish from point blank range. The narrative of the second period was the same as the first with the Seagulls

looking dangerous going forward without finding the back of the net. The game began to open up as time wore on with Silloth committing more men into attack thus affording Wigton the chance to hit them on the break. Custodian Luke Stockdale had to be at his very best to deny the Wigton centre forward with a superb save when he was clean through on goal. Still it was the Seagulls creating the majority of the chances and Kieran Little headed a much deserved goal in the 89th minute which raised the hopes that a point could still be rescued in injury time. It was not to be though and this was yet another fantastic performance in a local derby from which Silloth came away with nothing. Skipper Dan Foster was once again man of the match in what has been a standout season for the talented centre-half.

The Seagulls have one league fixture remaining against fellow strugglers Cockermouth. Both sides are level on points but



Skipper Dan Foster in complete control

with Cockermouth having four games in hand and a superior goal difference this a fixture Silloth have to take maximum points from. If they do so and other results go their way the Seagulls will extend their stay in the Cumberland County Premier League and every member of the Silloth squad is eager to produce the massive performance required to earn those vital three points.



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Abbeytown Girls Football



Abbeytown U14 Girls Team - Finalists in County Futsal Competition 2018
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Front row- Abbie Woodburn, Caitlin Harrison, Anna Todd, Abbie Heaton
Coaches - Paul Harrison, Andy Carr, John Ferguson

Report by: Haley Mossop

The Abbeytown Girls football team competed in a County Competition which started with a pool group competition last month at the Sands Centre, Carlisle. They achieved a win, a loss and a draw. This got them through to semi-finals

played at Workington Sports Centre.

Both semi finals were played between Abbeytown v Castletown and Workington v Allerdale. The girls cruised through their semi winning 3-2.

The final was between Abbeytown and Workington

Reds. The game was played with enthusiasm and relentless tackling by both side and remained even until the final minutes, when Workington put in two fast goals in a very busy goal box.

A disappointment but a great achievement for the local girls team.

Well Done Nat!



Local schoolboy Nathaniel Mossop, a member of the Newcastle Falcons Academy, was selected to represent Newcastle in their first game of the season against Scotland's U16 Academy on 11th March.

This is a great recognition for the Nelson Thomlinson schoolboy and Carlisle RFC player.

£626 Donation to School Netball Team

Pictured are Club Captain Malcolm Wise and Banty Trot Organiser Lenny Hodgins, handing over a cheque for £626 to the Solway Community Technology

College's Netball Teams. It was raised during the Banty Trot Christmas Golf day.

It will allow the teams to continue with their success after their recent National

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