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There are 5 nominations for Allerdale and only 3 positions. There are 21 nominations for Silloth Town Council and only 12 positions. Get the details on pages 9, 10 and 11.

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Silloth Lifeboat Chaplain Retires



Report by: Julie Emary
Silloth Lifeboat Press Officer

John being presented with the certificate and plaque by two lifeboat helms, Steve Henderson and Mark Ware

The Reverend John Millard, who has been an active member of Silloth RNLI Lifeboat Station as Chaplain, retired at the end of 2018, after giving 16 years supporting Silloth Lifeboat crew.

On 23rd March Silloth lifeboat crew honoured his service, when

they got together for their annual Christmas evening at Silloth Golf Club.

John was presented with a certificate and a plaque, honouring his time at the station, along with a personal gift from the lifeboat crew.

John has enjoyed his time with

the lifeboat service and has been a great support to them but felt the time had come to retire. Everyone at the Lifeboat Station wishes him a long and active retirement.

The lifeboat crew welcomed John's successor, Pastor Margaret Gate into the Silloth lifeboat family.

Jelly Tots Raise £150 for Silloth RNLI



Report by: Julie Emary
Silloth Lifeboat Press Officer

RNLI Silloth was recently presented with a donation amounting to £150 from a Bingo Night organised by Jelly Tots Nursery in Silloth.

Neve Scott, aged 3, gave the bag of money to her Grandad and Uncle both of whom are crew members with Silloth Lifeboat.

Very many thanks to Jelly Tots Nursery for this generous and thoughtful donation!

St Patrick's Day £300

Report by: Penny Stimson

On Saturday 16th March, St Andrews Hall was decked out to enjoy an evening of food and dance. It was St Patrick's Day and Irish food was on the menu and lots of music with line dancing and fun had by everybody. It was

arranged again by Pauline who did a wonderful job and kindly donated over £300 to St Andrews Hall towards our windows.

A big thank you to Sandra who kindly made all the lovely trifles and also to all who attended and had a good night.

Make a Will and Your Solicitor will Benefit Eden Valley Hospice

This spring a host of local solicitors and financial advisors with offices in Carlisle and Wigton will be supporting a local charity's Make a Will Month campaign.

During April Eden Valley Hospice and Jigsaw, Cumbria's Children's Hospice, in conjunction with **Atkinson Ritson, Beatty & Co., Burnetts, Butterworths, David Allen and Scott Duff & Co.**, are offering the

local community the opportunity and time to talk about their Will and the future. In return for an affordable donation to the hospice people will receive a professionally written Will during the month.

Since 2011 Make a Will Month campaigns have helped to raise an incredible £39,270 in aid of the hospice. Approximately one in four patients at Eden Valley Hospice and Jigsaw are cared for as the result of a kind gift left to the hospice in a Will.

Karen Durden, Legacy Fundraising Manager, said, "Making a Will is easy to do and keeping it up to date is very important to ensure that your wishes are carried out and your loved ones are looked after. If you die without a Will your estate may not be distributed in the way you would have wished. Make a Will Month runs throughout April and we are extremely grateful to the

participating solicitors who are donating their time free of charge to Eden Valley Hospice and Jigsaw."

The money raised during Make a Will Month will help the local

charity to provide the care, support and activities to local adults and children with life limiting illnesses. This care and support is extended to all the patients' families, friends and carers.

Taking part in Make a Will Month is simple. All you have to do is select a solicitor, call and book an appointment, just make sure you mention Eden Valley Hospice and Jigsaw Make a Will Month. It is up to you how much you donate but as a guide we suggest £130 for a single basic Will, £200 for a pair of basic mirror Wills and £40 for a codicil.

To take part in Eden Valley Hospice and Jigsaw's Make a Will Month campaign people are not required to make a gift to the hospice in their Will, but the charity would of course be delighted if people chose to do so.

If you, your family or loved ones would like more information about Make a Will Month or if your solicitors would like to get involved in the campaign please contact Karen Durden on 01228 817607 or visit www.edenvalleyhospice.org



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Dog Walkers Fined

Two early-morning walkers from Maryport have been apprehended by Allerdale Borough Council officers for dog fouling incidents.

One fixed penalty notice was issued at 8:24am on Sunday on the green at Strand Street where a Jack Russell terrier was let out by its owner to foul the grass where local children play football.

The second incident came at 9:15am on Monday in nearby Woods Harbour. This man has been reported to the police after becoming aggressive with the female council officer who issued a fixed penalty notice.

Charles Holmes is Allerdale Borough Council's head of community services. He says: "The fact both these incidents were spotted by our officers early in the morning, and that one of them was

on a Sunday, shows how serious our teams take dog fouling. Failing to pick up after your dog in a public place is not only disgusting, it is illegal. To allow your pet to foul in green spaces where you



know children play is doubly offensive. How would you feel if it was you or your child which fell in that mess? I will also emphasise that we will never tolerate acts of aggression towards our staff. I would like to thank Cumbria Police and other Allerdale Borough Council officers for responding quickly and robustly to this upsetting incident. We will not hesitate to report people to the police if threats are made."

Grant for School Bike Rides

Charitable causes across West Cumbria are financially better off after recently receiving a share of more than £200,000.

Cumbria Community Foundation awarded the money to more than 30 charitable groups at its quarterly West Cumbria grants panel. Funding was also given to 25 young people towards academic study and foreign travel.

The money came from ten grant making funds, including those set up by local corporate businesses such as Shepley Engineers and United Utilities.

Cumbria Youth Alliance (CYA) based in Workington received £7,500 from the United Utilities Legacy Fund to run a mental health and emotional resilience project, called With the Future in Mind. Russell Maddams, CYA Emotional Resilience Senior Project Officer, said: "The project will train a network of young people in secondary schools and colleges across West Cumbria as peer leads around the emotional resilience agenda. Pupils will become Mental Health First Aid champions and support their fellow peers. The project aims to give young people the knowledge of where to go for help and what to look for if their friends are struggling with their mental health."

Time to Change West Cumbria, which runs homeless hostel, Calderwood House in Egremont, received £1,000 from the Shepley Group Fund towards allotment costs. Residents are involved in preparing the land and growing food to use at the hostel while offering a therapeutic space to interact with the local Egremont community.

Time to Change West Cumbria received a further £10,000 from the United Utilities Legacy Fund for its new project: WOW! Women out West, a brand-new women's centre based in Kells in Whitehaven.

Founder and Director, Rachel Holliday, said: "WOW! Women out West is an exciting initiative allowing women in need to access all the services they require to live a better life and look forward to a brighter future. We hope to be open by summer and would like to thank United Utilities for their



support for this essential centre."

Solway Community School Bike Club based in Silloth, received £1,323 from Hellrigg Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund for set up costs. The club aims to get students on their bikes and out into the countryside to improve fitness and wellbeing as well as helping with team building and leadership skills.

Andrew Callaway, a teacher at the school, said: "The money will be used to buy tools and spare parts to help the students learn how to maintain their bikes and ensure they are safe when we go out on rides. Training will also be given on how to safely lead group rides on the roads. The students are thrilled that we have been awarded this money and we can now make this dream into a reality."

Workington Transport Heritage Trust can now put two of its young volunteers through their Passenger Carrying Vehicle (PCV) driving course thanks to a £3,000 grant from Live the Dream Fund.

The Trust's Secretary, Alistair Grey, said: "We need to encourage our young members to be actively involved in the operation of our preserved bus fleet to secure the future of the Trust. Gaining two professional qualified bus drivers will allow us to expand our activities and improve services for our customers."

Haig Angling Club in Whitehaven received £5,000 from United Utilities Legacy Fund to redevelop the Mirehouse Ponds.

Dave Heald, Secretary, said: "The redevelopment will make exiting on Mirehouse Road safer and make the area easily accessible to all, by improving paths, car parks and controlling the growth of the self-seeding trees and reeds in and around the ponds."

Football facilities for girls in Workington will improve significantly thanks to £3,000 from the United Utilities Legacy Fund to build new changing rooms at Workington Reds Junior Diamonds Football Club.

The ladies youth section formed in 2015 and now has more than 100 players, fielding teams from u8 up to open age.

Paul MacKenzie, Under 14's Coach for Workington Reds Junior Diamonds Football Club said: "We are seeing both boys and girls playing their fixtures at the same time and both needing to use the changing facilities. As the players have increased, there is now a need to install female only changing facilities."

Annalee Holliday, Grants & Donor Services Officer at Cumbria Community Foundation, said: "There are many worthy organisations around the county that continue to provide help to the local communities. We are ever grateful to the generosity of our fund holders to enable us to support these vital services."

The closing date for the next West Cumbria grants panel is 25th May 2019. For more information, visit www.cumbriafoundation.org or call a member of the grants team on 01900 825760.



Birthday Bee by Evie Bosward from Silloth Primary School

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RNLI Mayday Campaign Launched

The latest figures show RNLI volunteers in the North West of England launched 364 times and aided 237 people in 2018. The volunteer crew at the 11 stations in Cumbria, Merseyside and Lancashire saved 18 lives during the 12-month period.

Now the RNLI is calling on the people of the North West to give it some welly and support RNLI lifeboat crews, as the charity's national annual fundraising campaign Mayday is launched.

Launching on Wednesday 1 May and running for the whole of the month, the RNLI's Mayday campaign is calling on people to 'do their bit, fund our kit' with the lifesaving charity hoping to raise £700,000 to fund the crucial kit volunteer crews rely on, like lifejackets, helmets and the RNLI's iconic yellow wellies.

The busiest station in the north west during 2018 was Blackpool with 109 launches. It was the volunteer crew at Fleetwood who aided most people during the year, with a total of 72 people aided. At Morecambe, the most lives were saved – with a total of five people still alive today thanks to the RNLI.

Andy Dodd, RNLI Coxswain at Hoylake Lifeboat Station says: 'RNLI volunteer crew drop everything to save those in trouble at sea when the pagers go off. Our lifeboat crew kit gives us confidence in all weathers and sea conditions and is vital to help make sure we return home safely to our families from every launch. The



RNLI's Mayday fundraiser is our own call for help and we're asking people to do their bit to fund our kit throughout May. There are all sorts of ways to raise money for Mayday. From wearing wellies to work or doing a sponsored welly walk, to holding a bake sale or doing a sponsored cycle ride. Anyone can register for a free fundraising pack by visiting [RNLI.org/mayday/](https://rnli.org/mayday/).

The Barrow RNLI branch will hold a race afternoon at South End Caravan Park, Walney Island on 4 May and there will be a Welly Walk on Grange-Over-Sands promenade on 12th May.

Fitness fanatics can also support our volunteer crew by signing up for the RNLI Three Shires Cycle Sportive on Sunday 2 June. The non-competitive cycling event starts and finishes at Sandbach Rugby Club on the outskirts of Sandbach town centre and has routes for all abilities, find out more here: www.rnli.org/3shires

Teachers and community groups are invited to 'go yellow' for Mayday – by either wearing

something yellow or lighting up an iconic building.

Gyms across the region are already keen to sign up to the Lift a Lifeboat challenge, where teams chose their favourite lifeboat and lift its equivalent weight during sponsored training sessions. More information and social media toolkit can be found here: <https://rnli.org/mayday/materials>

Corporates and community groups are invited to unleash their entrepreneurial spirit and sign up to the RNLI Mayday Challenge – taking £10 and working as teams to turn it into a greater sum of cash in support of Mayday. For more details or to take part please contact Sophie_wood@rnli.org.uk or phone 07557 191852

With 4,900 volunteer lifeboat crew members providing a 24-hour search and rescue service around the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland coasts, money raised through Mayday will help kit out RNLI crews so they're ready to face the harshest conditions at sea. It currently costs £2,161 to provide one all-weather lifeboat crew member with all the kit they need when responding to the call for help.

Anyone who wants to get involved should visit RNLI.org/mayday to register for a free Mayday pack. The pack provides a host of fundraising ideas.

The charity is also encouraging people to show support on their social media, joining the conversation using the hashtag #MaydayEveryDay, or by donating online or buying a yellow welly pin badge.

Feeling Lonely?



Age UK West Cumbria are currently running a project called Community Connections which offers support to people who are feeling lonely or isolated and would like some help to boost their confidence and get out and about

more. We can offer support with individual befriending, telephone befriending, a volunteer to accompany you to activities for a few sessions until you feel confident enough to go alone

Local Community Connections Project Worker, Lynda Potter, is actively trying to establish a befriending network in the North Allerdale area where volunteers, of any age, are prepared to give up a small amount of time each week to visit an older member of the community. People can chat, play games or reminisce. The difference this can make to the life of an isolated older person cannot be underestimated – it can change everything for them! Lynda is urging those who would like to receive befriending, as well as those who could become a befriender, to get in touch.

For more details and to get involved email: Lynda.potter@ageukwestcumbria.org.uk or call 08443 843 843



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provide to support carers. We are looking for volunteers who could do any of the following:

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Drivers help carers to attend vital health appointments or a support session/activity/event organised through West Cumbria Carers that otherwise would be



missed.

Counsellors provide this specialist form of therapy to those that need it as a result of their caring role.

Carer Supporters can regularly visit or contact someone who needs help in building confidence or becoming socially active again.

Carers Champions raise awareness of our services with carers and the general public. They help us to identify carers who may wish to receive our support.

Interested?

Further, more detailed,

information on our volunteer opportunities can be found on our website www.westcumbriacarers.co.uk/get-involved/ together with our online volunteer application pack. Alternatively, if you prefer to complete an application form in writing just call us and we can post an application pack to you. Or call into our offices.

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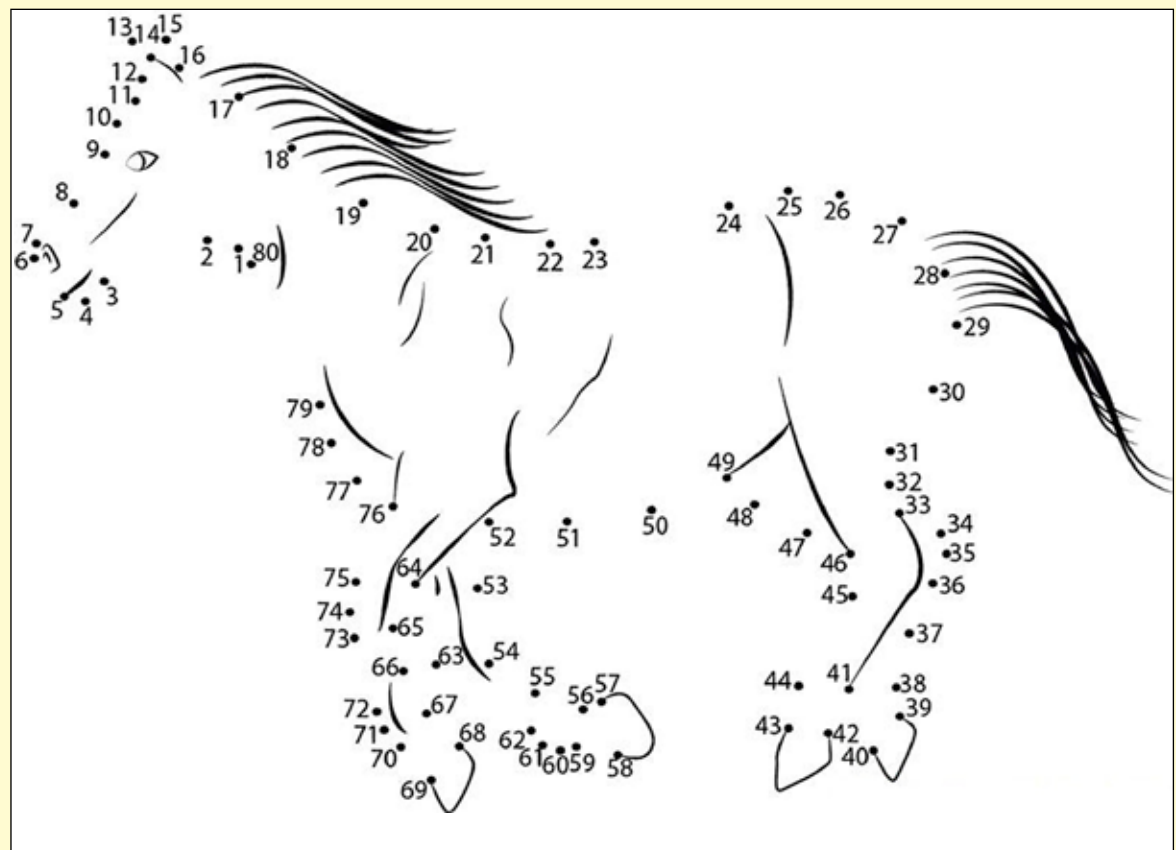
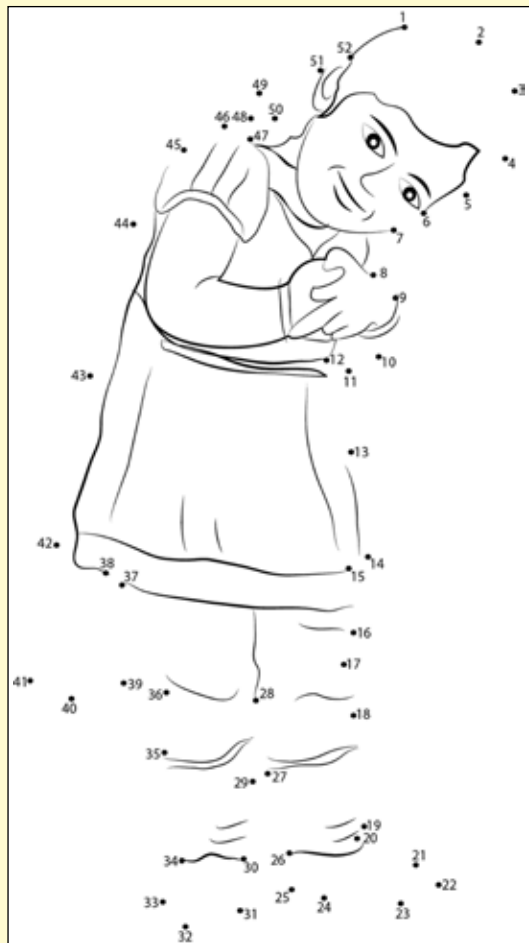


Love is in the Air Bee
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Robbie Tiffin
from

Holm Cultram Abbey School

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Not Just for the Kids

Two Bishops Visited Silloth



Report by: Lawrence Marshall

The Monday Luncheon Club were joined at their weekly Monday lunch by two Bishops, Bishop James of Carlisle and

Bishop Emma the new Bishop of Penrith, and two associates, Bishop Emma's husband who is also a vicar and Roger Batt of the Salvation Army.

They mixed very well with our regular diners.

They then moved on to the walking football players near the hard tennis courts.

Causewayhead WI

Report by: Jenny Stride

Our April Meeting was held at St Andrews Church Hall and we welcomed representatives

from Newton Arlosh, Bothel, Drumbrugh & Glasson and Kirkbride WI's and members of the Silloth Wednesday Craft Group, who had kindly given up their usual booking to us.

Our speaker Maureen Sharp gave us a demonstration on Mosaic Planter Wellies.

A friend asked Maureen if she would like to attend a mosaic course and she went along. Maureen found

it very interesting and took it up as a hobby. She made so many items she also sells them at craft shows.

She demonstrated how to take an old welly boot, cut it down slightly so not top heavy, stuff it tightly with compost and add a plant (her examples had rosemary and lavender as replacing annual plants could cause the mosaic to crack).

Using silicon glue and the mini tiles available from DIY shops, she had cut the tiles in half diagonally so as to fit round the curves. Starting at the base of the boot she made an attractive pattern up the

boot. With a band of beads round the base and the top. Once the glue has dried she mixes powder tile grout with water and colours

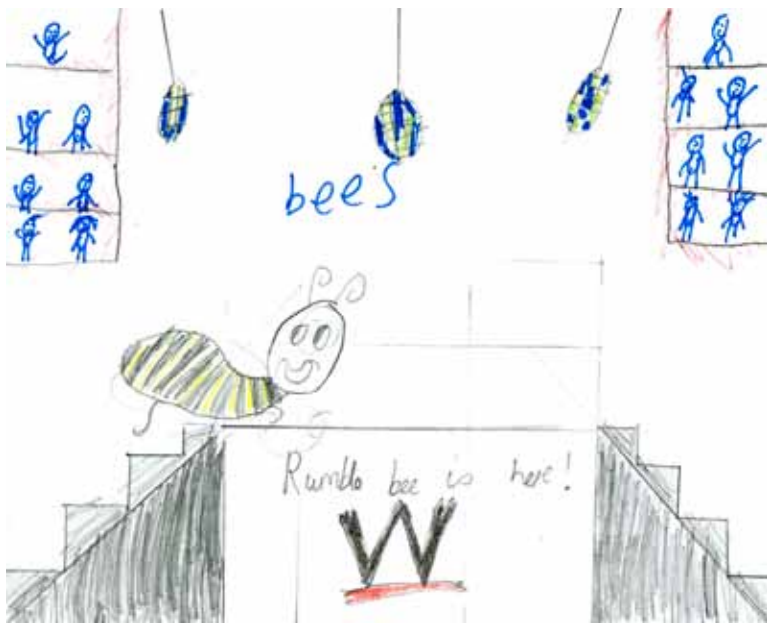
it to match tiles with acrylic paint and spreads over the tiles. Then cleans off the excess grout.

She showed us a few other items she had made, using a fish shaped chopping board she had used white and silver tiles to make a very unusual pot stand. By using different coloured tiles she had made some other very attractive pot stand and coasters.



Raffle winners:

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Drumbrugh & Glasson WI
Jean King,
Drumbrugh & Glasson WI
Joyce Norman, Kirkbride WI
Josephine Jefferson, Kirkbride WI
Jenny Stride, Causewayhead WI
Flower Competition Visitors:
Lillian Stuart,
Drumbrugh & Glasson WI,
Small planted pot Competition:
Maggie Caygill,
Newton Arlosh WI
Causewayhead Flower
Competition: Frances Jackson and
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Waver Wine Circle



Report by: Stuart Jones

Chairman Bill Henderson opened the meeting by welcoming eleven members to our 2019 AGM. There were five apologies.

He particularly mentioned those who had joined us during last year, the 25th Anniversary of the Circle. The year was a great success, the Anniversary celebration in September was enjoyed by members and invited guests, Janet and Graham Stukins organised some interesting outings and Stella attended to all our refreshment needs. Together with adventuring into differing alcoholic tastings.

Treasurer, Stella Graham, presented the balance sheet in detail and having answered any queries it was proposed that it be passed by Jan and seconded by Graham. The greatest expense was

for our Anniversary celebrations, but a healthy balance remains. Subscriptions for this year remain at £7.50 - those present paid up and looked happy!

As there was no rush to change officials, it was proposed by Janet that those in post be re-elected en-bloc, seconded by Ann.

Under AOB Janet suggested a non-alcoholic evening be included in our programme for 2019/20 and Mary suggested using alternative glasses, perhaps filled with the appropriate liquid. This year's meeting dates and events scheduled, together with draw prize rota will be issued shortly.

Tonight's draw prize was given by Bill and won by Graham. May's prize to be given by Greta.

Our next meeting will be on 8th May at the Blencogo Village Hall.

Stanwix Park supports the Army



The Garrison Commander was delighted to welcome Roland and Stephen Stanwix to the Garrison.

The Stanwix family run Stanwix Park Holiday Centre and have generously donated holidays to deserving service families within the Garrison. Premier Taxis at Catterick Garrison kindly donate the fuel to enable the soldiers to travel.

It was a packed day for Roland and Stephen, they presented ten more holiday vouchers to well deserving families and announced there would be an additional twelve available this year!

Once the presentation was complete, Roland and the Garrison Commander signed the Armed Forces Covenant; a pledge that together we acknowledge and understand that those who serve or who have served in the armed forces, and their families, should be treated with fairness and respect in the communities, economy and society they serve with.

Roland and Stephen then visited various Regiments within the Garrison to give them an insight into what soldiers do day to day. They had a fantastic day.



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Park the Phone when Driving



Cumbria's Police and Crime Commissioner Peter McCall Joins with Crimestoppers 'No Mobile When Mobile' campaign to highlight the Dangers of Using a Mobile Phone When Driving.

Drivers who use a hand-held or a hands-free mobile phone are often distracted and less aware of what's happening around them. They often take their eyes off the road, fail to see road signs, react slower and take longer to brake, thereby increasing their chance of having a crash, injuring or killing themselves and/or other people.

Research from Brake shows that although using a hand-held phone causes the greatest distraction, using a hands-free phone does not significantly reduce the risk. It still causes distraction because the driver is concentrating on two thinking tasks at the same time and often taking their eyes off the road to look at the screen. Further research by the Royal Automobile Club (RAC) comments that 47% of motorists aged between 25 and 34 admitted to making or receiving calls while driving, up seven percent from the previous year.

Peter McCall comment: "I have joined with Crimestoppers to highlight the dangers of using mobile phones when on the move, as we are all road users in some way or another and need to make

a personal commitment not to use our mobiles phones when on the road. We are asking people to report if they see drivers using their phones, to call the police on 101 or call the 100% anonymous Crimestoppers number on 0800 555 111.

"Mobile phones are an essential part of many people's lives and some drivers allow themselves to be distracted because they think they are in control and do not believe they are putting themselves at risk. The best way to avoid becoming distracted when driving is to switch off the phone and place it out of reach (eg in the glove compartment) removing any temptation to use it.

"Whether it is making a call, listening to voicemail messages or continually updating and checking out what is happening on social media, mobile phone use for many has become an addiction.

"Reading a text message is not a matter of life and death but taking your eyes off the road could well be. Using a phone when driving is irresponsible, puts your own life at risk and other people's. I would like to urge all drivers and passengers, young and old to have a conversation about the dangers of drivers being distracted and also pledge to leave the phone alone when in charge of a moving vehicle. I hope that our own sense of doing the right thing is enough

to prevent mobile use when driving but be assured, the police will continue to enforce this very robustly, just don't do it!"

Sergeant Callum Young, Mobile Support Group - Operational Support Unit comments:

"Using a mobile phone whilst driving can have catastrophic consequences and is a major contributing factor to road traffic collisions. These collisions can lead to devastating injuries which have a lifelong impact on their victims.

"Cumbria Police will deal robustly with anyone caught using their phone behind the wheel. If you are sending messages, making phone calls, changing songs or using social media on a mobile phone when you're driving, you will be prosecuted."

Nicolas Griggs, Operations Manager for North West Ambulance Service said: "We are supporting the 'No Mobile, While Mobile' campaign and calling for all drivers to think twice about the consequences and keep their phone away whilst driving.

"We see first-hand the devastating effects of using a mobile phone whilst driving. Not only are drivers risking a hefty fine and points on their licence but also risking their life and the lives of other road users.

Gary Murray, North West Regional Manager Crimestoppers said: "It is vitally important that the use of mobile phones whilst driving becomes socially unacceptable. It is easy to become distracted at the wheel by a phone ringing or a message coming in.

"We hope that this campaign will start a discussion within families about the dangers of phone usage and that parents and children agree to turn their phones off whilst at the wheel and for passengers to speak out if a driver in a car they are travelling in goes to use their phone. We all need to change our phone usage to help make our roads safer and to save lives."

Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning

Report by: Jean Day

Our April Coffee Morning was very well attended on a lovely sunny morning in Silloth.

As usual the cake stall did brisk trade and with some particularly special Easter themed prize donations, the winners were: Teresa Hutchinson, Margaret Macartney,

Joan Lamport, Pam Blaylock, Maureen Carr, Eddie Maybury, Jean Mounsey, Beatrice Henderson, Connie Anderson, Mary Bragg, Jean Graham and Linda Grierson. The next Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 4th May and we look forward to a full house again.



King of the Castle
by Ruby Beverley
from Holm Cultram Abbey School

Bee
by Sofia Savetio
from Holme St Cuthbert School



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Allerdale Borough Council Elections May 2nd Silloth & Solway Coast Ward, 5 Candidates for Just 3 Seats

There are five nominations for three positions on Allerdale Borough Council.

An invitation was put out through the Silloth Today facebook page to provide a few words from each prospective councillor for this item.

Not everyone has responded but now we know what some of them are standing for.

Make sure you vote on Thursday 2nd May, if you don't vote, don't complain about the outcome.

The full list is:

John Cook, Conservative
Bill Jefferson, Independent
Tony Markley, Conservative
Owen Paul Martin, Conservative
Sharon Watson, Green Party

John Cook

I can only ask the good people of Silloth and the Solway Coast

not to miss the chance to vote for who you would like to see on Allerdale Borough council.

I've enjoyed my four years as Allerdale councillor and would like the opportunity to represent my community again, with your backing.

My community comes first.

This election must be about you and not the councillors elected.

I trust this community to make the right decision whatever it might be.

Thank you.



William Jefferson

After 30 years in the British overseas service I came back home and joined Silloth Town Council and Allerdale Borough Council.



I was subsequently elected to key posts in Cumbria - Chair of the Lake District NPA, Chair of the Solway Coast AONB since 2002, Cumbria Tourism Executive Board and Cumbria Leaders Board. This network allowed me to promote our area on the national stage.

Major HLF projects (Silloth Green and Solway Wetlands) brought national recognition as did Britain in Bloom.

I work with the Destination Allerdale tourism team to promote our area and this can be accessed online and in our Discovery Centre.

Tony Markley

I have served as the local Holm ward Allerdale councillor for 16 years. Now with boundary changes I will be standing for the new Silloth and Solway Coast ward.

I have worked tirelessly for my local community and have the ability to work with everyone to achieve the best for this area. I have secured grant funding for many local projects in the Silloth and Solway Coast area.

I am a local lad with local values, extremely enthusiastic and passionate about this wonderful area. If re-elected on May 2nd, you can be reassured that I will continue to work and promote this great area we live in.



Owen Martin

For the past 4 years I have served as a councillor on Silloth Town Council.

For the past 10 years I have been involved in volunteer organisations within Silloth. Including Friends of Silloth Green, Silloth Carnival, Silloth Tourism Action Group and latterly Silloth Rotary Club.

I strive to do the best for the community and the people within it.

I'm hoping if I'm elected I will be able to support and represent the community within the ward. Develop strong relationships and make sure we ALL get a fair representation within Allerdale. Supporting a greener cleaner Allerdale and supporting tourism development in the area.



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Silloth Town Council Election - 21 Candidates for Just 12 Seats on 2nd May - Who Do You Want?

Solway Buzz Election Special

There are 21 nominations for twelve positions on Silloth Town Council.

This is unprecedented and a wonderful opportunity for the townspeople to get the councillors they want for Silloth.

Unfortunately, Allerdale Borough Council who handle the nomination process are not allowed to provide the Solway Buzz with contact information on those who applied, so an invitation was put out through the Silloth Today facebook page to provide a few words from each prospective councillor for this item.

Not everyone has responded but now we know what many of them are standing for.

Make sure you vote on Thursday 2nd May, if you don't vote, don't complain about the outcome.

The full list is:

Carmel Bell, John Cook, Carol Ann Elisabeth Doran, Ronald Angus Emmerson, Colin Fearon, James Edward Graham, Stuart Frank Graham, Karen Groucott, Peter John Groucott, Melanie Irving, Bill Jefferson, Tony Markley, Owen Paul Martin, Wendy Mathers, Jackie McCormick, Mark Edwin Orchard, Andrew Reynolds, Jim Snaith, Ian Ward, Graham Wilkinson, Rebecca Mary Williamson.

Carmel Bell

Who am I? What am I going to bring to the table? Why do I want to be a councillor? All interesting questions that in the spirit of democracy I am going to ignore.



Nine years ago we fell in love with Silloth. Bought the Kandy Shop and with the help of my two sons I have the pleasure of serving you seven days a week.

I do not sugar coat my feelings, I am a hard worker and passionate about my beliefs and willing to give my all. If you want to know more, my door is always closed because I'm cold, but my ears are not.

John Cook

I can only ask the good people of Silloth to take this opportunity to vote for who you would like see on the town council. It's been a very long time since you've had the opportunity.



Promises will blow away in the wind. Ideas will get lost in bureaucracy. This town needs a plan for the future. Silloth needs a council that listens and delivers. This election must be about you and not the councillors elected. I trust this community to make the right decision, whatever it might be. Thank you.

Carol Doran

Working with and for the Silloth Community to continue Silloth being a great place to live, work, visit and enjoy.



To engage wherever possible in open dialogue with residents to understand their needs, issues, aspirations and to promote these ideals for the future explaining how the council will address these with the resources available. To provide a high standard of cost effective service. Embracing progress and promoting the economic vitality of the town through partnerships also social and community values within Silloth.

Adhering to "The Seven Nolan Principles" for Public Service at all times. Adhering to "The Seven Nolan Principles" for Public Service at all times.

James Edward Graham

I seek election with the intention of bringing down the tax for people in Silloth.

The tax burden imposed by the town council means Silloth pays by far the highest Town Council tax in Allerdale, 135% more than Maryport and 200% more than Cockermouth.

The ground maintenance team costs are out of control, the grass used to be cut in one day.

The town council now employs three men five days a week, even in winter when there is very little work to do. Running costs are around £80,000 per year and since 2012 £180,000 of equipment has been purchased.

Karen Groucott

I am probably better known as Karen Gray. I arrived in Silloth at the age of 5 with my parents and two brothers.



I left to pursue a career in the Royal Air Force, and after ten years I returned with my husband and growing family. I now work at Silloth Primary school and have done for 15 years as Senior Teaching Assistant.

I am an active member in Silloth Rotary Club and Silloth Music & Beer Festival, enjoying being a volunteer serving the community.

I am running for Silloth Parish Council to work as part of a team, representing our parish residents and to help Silloth flourish.

Peter Groucott

I served for 11 years in the Royal Air Force where I met and married Karen Gray. We decided to raise our family in Silloth and have lived here happily for 20 years.



I would help the community by representing them and continuing the excellent work completed so far by past councillors.

I have been a member of the Music & Beer Festival Committee for several years, and enjoy volunteering during this event so that residents and visitors enjoy the festival, experiencing the warm Silloth welcome. I will get more positively involved in making sure Silloth continues to provide the best for its residents and visitors.

Stuart Frank Graham

I am a born and bred Sillothian and have been a Town Councillor for over six years helping get the best for Silloth. My proudest moment as a councillor is helping the youngsters gain their BMX track.



I am a Husband, Father and Grandfather and have strong links in Silloth as both a past playing member of the Golf Club and Rugby Club and one of the Founders of Silloth First Responder's, I am a Professional Fire Fighter and have covered Silloth Fire Station for for the last 25 years.

I stand for the good of Silloth and the people who Live, Work & Visit the Town. I have lived in the town my whole life. I run a small local business as a mobile hairdresser, and I'm already involved in a local charity organisation, which I thoroughly enjoy. Having raised my family I want to commit myself to be more involved with local decision making, in order to sustain and promote Silloth as a thriving community. I am willing to listen to your comments and suggestions and give these a voice with other councillors at a council function. Thanks for reading.

Melanie Irving

Hi, my name is Melanie, and I have lived in the town my whole life.

I run a small local business as a mobile hairdresser, and I'm already involved in a local charity organisation, which I thoroughly enjoy.

Over the years, Silloth and the Town Council has worked together and achieved many great attributes. With your continued support I would like to continue being part of the Town Council, assisting to maintain stability and improvements, with a common sense approach, for the good of all the community and the Town. Please Vote for Tony Markley.

Bill Jefferson

It's good to see people wishing to join the Town Council and we need some new faces around the Council table.



The important thing is for those elected to work as a team in the best interests of our community. Silloth has made sustained progress for years and enjoys a reputation for securing funding and delivering ambitious projects whilst protecting and enhancing our assets.

We enjoy the support of our community and the volunteers who make individual contributions in and across the various segments of our society. We are the envy of many and, if re-elected, I want that to continue.

Tony Markley

I have lived in Silloth for over forty years, operated successful business and served as a Silloth Town councillor for many years, latterly been privileged to be the Town Mayor. The welfare of Silloth and its community is extremely important to me.



I volunteered for 30 years as Secretary & Treasurer at a Tenant's Hall working alongside Birmingham City Council, set up and chaired a Resident's Association and a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

If elected, I would try to ensure that residents are able to speak at meetings when the matter arises and that their opinions are listened to before decisions are made. I would also like to see more resources utilised outside the town centre to enhance the whole area.

Owen Martin

For the past four years I have served as a councillor on Silloth Town Council, I was encouraged to go on to the council by my friends who knew my passion for the community.



For the past ten years I have been involved in volunteer organisations. Including Friends of Silloth Green, Silloth Carnival, Silloth Tourism Action Group and Silloth Rotary Club.

Supporting Silloth and areas has become a part of my day to day life, I strive to do the best for the community and the people within it.

I'm hoping if I'm elected I will be able to support and represent the community.

Wendy Mathers

Birmingham born and bred, I moved to Silloth 4½ years ago having worked in the construction industry, latterly as a Health & Safety Administrator.

I volunteered for 30 years as Secretary & Treasurer at a Tenant's Hall working alongside Birmingham City Council, set up and chaired a Resident's Association and a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

If elected, I would try to ensure that residents are able to speak at meetings when the matter arises and that their opinions are listened to before decisions are made. I would also like to see more resources utilised outside the town centre to enhance the whole area.

Jackie McCormick

Hi my name is Jackie McCormick and I have lived in Silloth since I was four years old. I have brought up both my children here and started my business here 7½ years ago.



I volunteer in different areas of the community including, carnival, youth club and providing a lunch on Christmas Day for those in need. I did not appreciate Silloth when I was younger, but appreciate Silloth more as I have got older and would love the chance to be on Silloth council to help make a difference.

I love supporting the town in any way possible and think this is a great opportunity to continue giving back to Silloth.

I'm passionate and willing to give 110% to support the town, helping to move forward without losing the towns charms.

Mark Orchard

I'm a married father of four. My children all attend the local schools, Nelson, Solway and Silloth Primary.



My passion outside of work and family is Local rugby. I've served on the town council for the last six years.

I'm a proud & passionate 'Sillothian' who always wants the best for our town, I take a no nonsense practical approach. I'd like to see a flourishing prosperous town not just for tourists but also things that benefit the most important people, you the residents of our unique town who make Silloth home.

I look forward to receiving your votes.

Andrew Reynolds

I have lived in Silloth all my life and been involved in events for a number of years. I love supporting the town in any way possible and think this is a great opportunity to continue giving back to Silloth.



I'm passionate and willing to give 110% to support the town, helping to move forward without losing the towns charms.

Ian Ward

Hi, I am your local candidate for the Silloth town council election in May.

I live and work and run my own company in Silloth, helping with several large developments in Silloth I aim to help steer this town in the right direction on improving facilities and maintaining a high standard of care for local people in the community.



With a strong voice I can fight tooth and nail for Silloth making it a better place in the future.

I look forward to receiving your votes.

Graham Wilkinson

I was elected onto Silloth Town Council in May 2003, one of twelve councillors from an application of fifteen.



Then I was elected Mayor in May 2005 a post which I held until 2010 whereby I represented the town of Silloth at functions throughout the county of Cumbria with other civic dignitaries.

For the past two years I have been Deputy Mayor to Councillor Markley.

I am also Chair of the Allotment Committee along with the Playing Field Committee, plus I represent Silloth Town Council on the Longcake Educational Trust Board.

I hereby ask for your vote on 2nd May 2019.

Rebecca Mary Williamson

I moved to Silloth two years ago and have been overwhelmed by what a great town this is.

I wish to bring a new perspective to the Council and feel being new to Silloth I would achieve this.

Being involved in Rotary and Clerk to Governors at the primary school, I am passionate about providing for the future youth of the town having two children who I wish to ensure feel the same way I do for Silloth.

I may not be the most vocal person, but will work diligently for the main purpose of the Council.

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Buzzing Letters

Dear Buzz,

The family of Elizabeth (Betty) Johnston would like to thank everyone for their cards and kind expressions of sympathy received during their recent sad bereavement.
A special thank you to Mrs Margaret Gate for her kind words and moving Service and to everyone for their generous donations to Cancer Research. Grateful thanks to W Scott and Sons for the funeral arrangements and to the Golf Hotel, Silloth for a wonderful funeral tea.

David and Elaine Johnston

Dear Buzz,

On Wednesday 3rd April I had a health scare and following a visit to our Doctor was referred to Carlisle Hospital.
By Friday noon 5th April, after having procedures at the Endoscopy and X-ray Departments I left Carlisle completely satisfied with all aspects of my visit.
I wish to thank, most sincerely, all the staff involved for their prompt, caring and efficient attention.

Stuart Jones

Dear Buzz,

May I say a big thank you to my daughter Marion, son Peter and wife Lorna for being with me when I was rushed into hospital on 13th March. I would also like to thank the staff at Silloth Convalescent Home who looked after me for a week.
Thanks to all family and friends for birthday cards and gifts and get well wishes, again thank you all.
I'm pleased to say I am recovering slowly.

Isabel Gilmour

Dear Buzz,

Dock Silo's Removed

A Correction to the caption attached to the photo on page 11 of the April edition of the wonderful 'Buzz'.
The final export of cement from the silo's was on the evening tide of the 29th July 2002 on board the 'Ben Maye' of Ramsey to either the Isle of Man or Ireland.
The loss of the trade came about by the closure of the Blue Circle cement plant at Eastgate near Stanhope.

Graham Wilkinson

Dear Buzz,

Steve, Peter, Joanne and the family of the late Dorothy Rowell wish to convey their sincere thanks to everyone for the many cards, flowers and kind messages of sympathy following their recent sad loss.
Thanks to those who gave donations to the Stroke Association.
Also thank you to Margaret Gate for her special words in the service and Hughie and Joan Scott for the arrangements.

Joanne Scott

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Any other suggestions of sites useful for our visitors, please send them to the Buzz at: office@solwaybuzz.co.uk

Bee-utiful Poems

Time Left by Penny Stimson

Please don't leave me darling
we still have so much to do.
Our bucket list is still small
and we've so much to get through.

I don't want to be on my own
doing this by myself.
We dreamed of doing it together
hoarding memories of wondrous wealth.

I know what it is I want to do
and what I want to see.
But darling there is nothing
I want to do, if you were not with me.

I love being by the seaside
and watching Oyster Catchers search
for food among the rock pools
or Gulls on boats that perch.

But this cannot compare
with what there is still to do
to put up wonderful memories
that can be stored of you.

The children have grown
and now left with partners new.
It's time to enjoy ourselves
in everything we do.

So hold my hand tightly
and let us enjoy what time is left,
these memories we now make together
will always be the best.

Residents And Carers
by Joan Bennett

Maggie Malone, is a lovely old dear.
She gets so confused, finds it difficult to hear.
Her dear husband Joe, is exactly the same.
When something goes wrong, no one knows who to blame.

They live in a nursing home, need special care.
They're both loved so well, by the staff that work there.
Old Major Pickstaff, is so stiff and so stern.
He thinks that he, has got nothing to learn.

The staff take good care of Residents and Carers.
him, they're very kind. It's a pity that he, isn't of a like mind.
He grumbles and moans, gets on Fanny Cooks nerves.
But she soon shuts him up, with a few chosen words.

Fred Brown was a grocer, he had a small shop.
He constantly talks, not knowing when to stop.
Phyllis Pratt shouts at him, now look what you've done.
I've dropped all the stitches, off the needle they've come.
You can't blame me he said, for I'm nowhere near.
Perhaps not, but your yapping is bending my ear.

Gracie Nugent is nice, but she sings all day long.
It wouldn't be so bad, but she sings the same song.
Soon there's a rattle, the tea trolley comes.
Suzie the new girl's, all fingers and thumbs.

Can you give me an hand, of the Major she did ask.
Shame on you girl he said, it's an easy task.
It's just that I'm not sure, who drinks coffee or tea.
Don't worry about them he said, just look after me.

Gracie Nugent sang, at the top of her voice.
Give them all tea dear, don't give them a choice.
Most of the other residents, enjoyed a doze.
They rallied, when food was put under their nose.

The head carer decided, they should have some fun.
What about Bingo, that suits everyone.
We'll find some nice prizes, we'll all have a laugh.
It's only for residents, not for the staff

She gave all the residents, a card and a pen.
And told them she'd start after she'd counted to ten.
The carer called numbers, not daring to stop.
The room was so quiet, you could hear a pin drop.

She called all ninety numbers, and no one called house.
The residents were all, as quiet as a mouse.
Embarrassed was she, out of the room she did creep.
All of the residents had fallen asleep.

Sometimes when were older, we just want to rest.
It's difficult for carers to know what is best.
Perhaps bingo wasn't the best form of fun.
But these carers take excellent care of everyone.



Do you have a poem
or letter for the buzz?
We welcome all
submissions, there is
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information.

Masthead Bee Winner

Carlisle Embroidery are generously donating a Solway Buzz embroidered Kids Rucksack 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 14 (large stamp) and a quality Solway Buzz embroidered Rucksack from Carlisle Embroidery could be yours.

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

If you are here on holiday we would love to have your bee drawing. Pick up a form from Silloth Tourist Information and return it there or send it to us, our address is on page 14.

This month the winner is Findley Rabia from Holm Cultram Abbey School with a bee drawing called "Boxer Bee!".
Well done!



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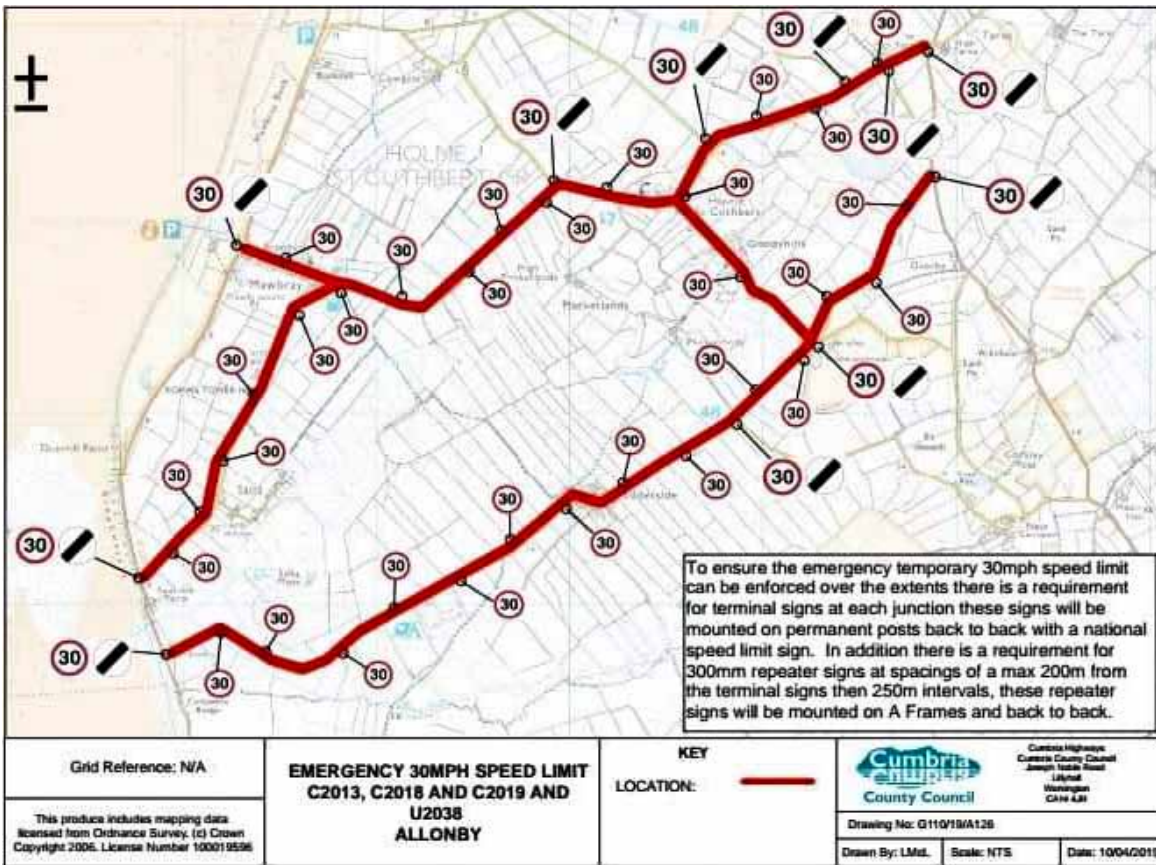
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Road Routes around Dubmill Point



With thanks to: Andy Ridge

New road restrictions around Dubmill Point.

Roads marked in red are 3.5t

weight limit AND temporary 30 mph speed limit. Vehicles over 3.5t can only use roads to access fields and properties adjacent to

the roads marked in red, NOT to cut through. Also note silaging will soon be starting, so a lot of large farm traffic will be on these roads.

New Windows



Report by: Penny Stimson

Exciting things are happening to St Andrews Hall. With the wonderful support of all our dear friends from Our Doors Open, Strawberry Teas, Marvellous fun evenings, and the outstanding grants of :- £4,809.12 from Silloth Co-op along with £2,000 from Enken Uk Ltd, we have been able to have all our windows in our hall replaced with brand spanking new upvc double glazed units.

Our sincere and deepest thanks to all for helping to make this happen.

We are working hard to ensure this hall becomes an outstanding community asset for our Town. So if we have not enjoyed your company at any of our events we will be delighted to welcome you in the future.

We have a saying at St Andrews "There are no strangers here, only friends you have not met," so come along and meet all those new friends you have not met yet!

All events are displayed on our notice board alongside the entrance doors to St Andrews Hall, so please make a point of looking out for them.

We hold our community lunches every Tuesday from noon to 1pm (donations only) and this gives you the opportunity to have a good "craic" a laugh, and thoroughly enjoy yourselves here - we all look forward to welcoming you at our get togethers during this year.

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Copy date for the June issue is:
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If your organisation has an event to promote or you have something to say, please note the next copy date.

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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

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Dates for the Diary

April

29th Silloth Annual Town Meeting in the Community Hall at 7pm, all welcome

May

1st Silloth Art Group Meeting Golf Hotel 10am - 1pm

2nd Elections Today

3rd Allonby Village Hall Chess Club 2pm-4pm, £2 per session, Tel Roger 01900 881782

3rd Wigton Theatre Club Open Mic Night, 016973 42521

4th **Crunch collection at Skinburness Road car park 8am to 9:45am**

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

5th Allonby Village Hall Table Top Sale 10am-2pm, bric-a-brac, refreshments, 30p

8th Causewayhead WI meeting at 2pm in Silloth Community Hall, members afternoon

8th Waver Wine Circle in Blencogo Village Hall @ 7pm

13th Silloth Town Council meeting in Community Hall 7pm

17th Allonby Village Hall, An Evening with Alan Cleaver, tea & cake, tickets £5, Tel Janet 01900 881447

19th Craft & Plant Fair, Culterham Hall, Mawbray

Silloth Art Group

Meet on first Wednesday each month from 10am to 1pm, at the Golf Hotel. Call in for a chat & coffee, maybe give it a try.

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20th Allonby Village Hall Photography Club, new members welcome, 2:30-4:30pm, entry £2, Tel Keith 016973 22442

20th Allonby Village Hall Book Club @ 7pm, new members welcome, entry £2, Tel Janet 01900881447

20th Allonby Village Hall Table Top Sale 10am-2pm, bric-a-brac, refreshments, 30p

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23rd Wigton Theatre Club Evolution & Other Planning Disasters, 016973 42521

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25th Old Fashioned Jumble Sale & Yummy Tea in St Andrews Hall 2-4pm

26th **Silloth Green Day on the Green at 4pm**

26th Allonby Village Hall, Table Top Sale 10am-2pm, bric-a-brac, refreshments, 30p

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1st Coffee Morning and Eve's Fashions at Silloth & District Pensioners in the Recreation Hall

1st Allonby Village Hall An Evening with Herdus (folk music) bring your own drink, tickets £10 from Allonby Tea Rooms or Tel: Janet 01900 881447

5th Silloth Art Group Meeting Golf Hotel 10am - 1pm

8th Clean Up West Beach at 11am-1pm meet at car park

8th **Vintage Rally on Silloth Green all day**

9th **Vintage Rally on Silloth Green all day**

12th Causewayhead WI meeting at 2pm in Silloth Community Hall, talk on South American Wildlife

15th **Crunch collection at Skinburness Road car park 8am to 9:45am**

21st Ragnarock VI Bikers Rally starts 11am at Silloth Rugby Club

22nd Ragnarock VI Bikers Rally starts 11am at Silloth Rugby Club

23rd Ragnarock VI Bikers Rally starts 11am at Silloth Rugby Club

29th **Silloth Pride at noon**

July

3rd Silloth Art Group Meeting Golf Hotel 10am - 1pm

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

6th American Night with Ukulele Band in St Andrews Hall 7pm - 9:30pm, £7

9th Holme Low Parish Council meeting in Silloth Community Hall @ 7:30pm

10th Causewayhead WI meeting at 2pm in Silloth Community Hall, talk on Gemstones & Jewellery

12th Christ Church & St Pauls Men's Choir Summer Concert

13th **Crunch collection at Skinburness Road car park 8am to 9:45am**

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. Contact Penny on 016973 32255.

August

2nd Soul Night in Silloth Rugby Club at 7pm, £3

3rd Soul on Saturday 11am to 8pm in aid of Friends of the Green

7th The Solway Plains Artists Meeting Golf Hotel 10am to 1pm

10th **Crunch collection at Skinburness Road car park 8am to 9:45am**

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

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

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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

Reays Winners of 'Holiday Programme of the Year'

The UK's best coach tour operators, destinations, visitor attractions, hotels, and tourism industry suppliers, were honoured on Wednesday 20th March at the 2019 British Coach Tourism Awards.

The prestigious awards ceremony, which took place at the National Motorcycle Museum in Birmingham following the first day of the British Tourism & Travel Show, brought together hundreds of industry professionals to recognise and celebrate excellence and innovation across the multi-billion-pound coach tourism sector.

Reays Coaches, a Cumbrian family run business were announced as winners of the 'Holiday Programme of the Year' category. This award is open to all UK based operators that operate a programme of coach holidays. The judges were looking for a programme that demonstrates innovation and creativity, in a brochure that is easy to navigate with clear price points and an easy-to-understand summary of what the tour and price includes. With so many brochures now meeting this criteria, the judges recognised and awarded Reays for offering something that stands out from the



crowd.

The annual awards – the only national awards scheme that specifically focuses on coach tourism – were organised by Diversified Communications UK. This year's celebrity presenter was TV personality Carol Vorderman MBE.

David Maguire, chair of judges and event director of British Coach Tourism Awards says: "Huge congratulations goes to all our winners in this year's British Coach Tourism Awards. With real emotion among our highly deserving winners and a fantastic atmosphere of celebration, I believe

it was one of our best awards yet.

Once again, the quality of the entries reflected the quality and importance of the amazing coach tourism sector and the inspiring professionals working in it. The awards are a great way to reward them for their hard work and dedication to the UK tourism sector, so it's an honour to be a part of that. Well done to everyone who took home an award, and a huge thanks to our judges, our partners, and everyone in the industry who supports the event," says Maguire.

The award followed Reays winning 'Best Cumbrian Family Business' in the 'Transport,

Haulage and Logistics' category of the Cumbria Family Business Awards earlier in March where a star-studded ceremony hosted by The Hairy Bikers in Windermere saw a celebration of the fantastic contribution family businesses make to the wonderful county of Cumbria.

Head of Sales and Marketing at Reays Coaches, Kerrie Allison said:

"To be recognised and celebrated as the 'Best Cumbrian Family Business' and then be subsequently recognised at a national level for our coach holiday programme is an amazing achievement and I'm incredibly proud and thankful to all our team who have contributed to this success and to the judges of both awards ceremonies, it really is an honour."



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March was a Bumper Month at Silloth Dock

Ship enthusiasts were pleased to see plenty of action at Silloth Dock with a variety of ships bringing cargoes for local industries. The only downside was that the majority of ships were familiar ones making return visits. Naturally, new ships have greater appeal to photographers especially when good shots have been taken on previous occasions.

The first return visitor was WILSON BLYTH with bales of wood pulp from Vlissingen in the Netherlands. This cargo was destined for the manufacture of food packaging film at Wigton. The ship's arrival coincided with a cycle of neap tides which delayed her entry to port and a wait at anchor off Workington was required. Entry was further delayed as Storm Freya approached shortly afterwards. Finally, the weather improved and the short sailing to Silloth was completed. It was a day much like that in March three years ago when she was previously seen. Wilson ships are maintained to a high standard and make good subjects to photograph. Unloading was soon completed and she was ready to depart on the next tide.

Later in the month HEKLA arrived from Ayr with a shared cargo of fertiliser brought from Belgium. The ship arrived at Silloth on an evening tide after a leisurely sailing from the south west of Scotland. She had been photographed at the quayside during her previous visit two years ago. The vessel belongs to the large fleet operated by 'Royal Wagenborg' of the Netherlands. It's assumed she's named after one of Iceland's most active volcanoes.

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



Hekla's fiery appearance made it the subject of many ancient legends, such as being the doorway to the underworld.

One of the new visitors, JASON, arrived with a delivery of fertiliser from further afield, Sagunto on the Mediterranean coast of Spain. The ship had made good time during the eight day sailing arriving at Silloth ahead

of schedule. Fair weather greeted her in the Solway with only a light covering of cloud on Criffel. She looked in good order as she made her approach with the name of her German operator 'Wessels' splashed along the hull. Timing continued to work in the ship's favour and she was soon unloaded and on her way across the Irish Sea to Warrenpoint.

March Shipping at the Port of Silloth

Report by: Capt Tim Riley,
Harbour Master, Short Sea Pilot

March

4th Wilson Blyth with a cargo of Wood Pulp from Vlissingen then on to Dundalk.

9th Fri Tide with a cargo of Fertiliser from Riga then on to Sharpness.

12th Eastern Virage with a cargo of Wheat from Les Sables then on to Fraserburgh.

17th Hekla with a cargo of fertiliser from Ayr then on to Belfast.

21st Jason with a cargo of Fertiliser from Sagunto then on to Warren Point.

25th Zapadnyy with a cargo of Molasses from Avonmouth then on to Montoir.

29th Ayress with a cargo of Logs from Campbeltown then on to Campbeltown.

March has been a good month where ABP Silloth has bucked the trend around the country and has taken approximately 50% over target cargo for the month, and if this progresses through the year with farming and wheat, we should have a really good year, fingers crossed.

All these ships came and went with little fuss this month, not too

bad weather and some excellent manoeuvring by our new Trainee Pilot and soon to be assistant Harbour Master "Ash".

Ash now has three more ships to bring in before he can sit his exam and two to take out. Of the inbound ships, he needs to complete two further inbound trips under the cover of darkness, which may prove to take longer than hoped for as the summer sun reaches later into the evenings now.

So, this month saw the return of both Wood Pulp and Logs to Silloth, not sure whether these will be repeat cargoes yet, but we are hoping that they will continue to bring a small amount of growth to the port and beef up the overall offering that we have here.

All our vessels leave here empty at the moment, so if you know anyone who is looking to have something BIG or a lot of small things taken out of Silloth, let us know, we are here as a facility to be used by all for the transport of bulky items in a more environmentally friendly manner.

Let's keep the trucks off the main roads and send it all by Sea.

Here's to a Happy Easter One and All.



97% of Primary Children Get First Choice of School

Cumbria County Council's School Admissions team can confirm 96.8% of children starting primary school in September 2019 have been awarded their first choice. Almost 99% were offered a place at their first, second or third choice.

Starting school – September 2019: Out of 4,586 applicants resident in Cumbria who applied by the closing date, 4,439 were offered a place at their first preference school.

96.8% of parents/carers were offered a place at their first preference school, with 98.9% of parents/carers securing an offer at their first, second or third preference (providing second/third preference were given).

Transfer to junior or primary school - September 2019: Out of 953 applicants resident in Cumbria who applied for a Year 3 place in September 2019 by the closing date, 99.4% were offered their first preference school.

All applicants (100%) who

followed the recommended process of providing more than one preference were allocated one of their chosen schools.

Cllr Sue Sanderson, Cabinet Member for Schools and Learning, said: "It's great news that the vast majority of pupils have secured a place at their first choice school. Cumbria is a fantastic place to grow up and an important part of that is ensuring children can attend the schools their parents and carers want them to go to. While most will be very pleased with the result of their applications, where places have been refused, applicants have the right of appeal to an independent admission appeal panel."

Details of how to submit an appeal have been included with notification letters. If any applicants have changed their mind since requesting a school place they are advised to contact the school admissions team either via email at school.admissions@cumbria.gov.uk or on 01228 221582.

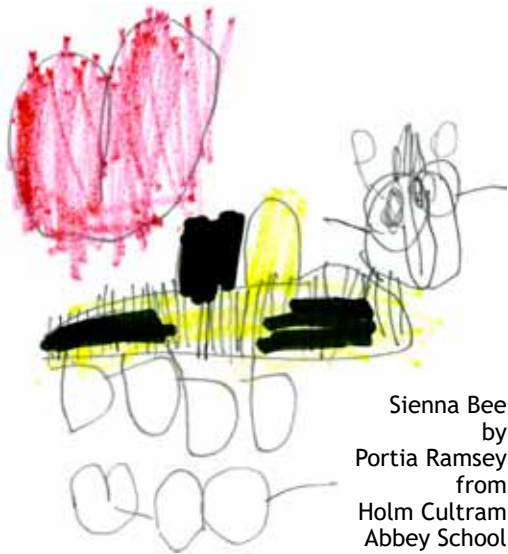
Silloth u7 Kids are Winners



The new Silloth u7's team with former Scotland and Premier League Winning Blackburn Rovers Captain Colin Hendry after the R&T

Football Tours tournament during the Lake District Challenge Cup which took place from 12th to 15th April.

This is the first time they've played and they gained more points than any Silloth team have ever achieved in this competition which has teams from all over England, Scotland and Wales.



Sienna Bee by Portia Ramsey from Holm Cultram Abbey School

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Silloth Tide Tables

MAY 2019 SILLOTH

Date	DEPTHS ON NEW DOCK GAUGE (1.8m ABOVE CD)							
	High Water				Low Water			
	Morning		Afternoon		Morning		Afternoon	
Time	m	Time	m	Time	m	Time	m	
1 W	09 34	5.9	22 04	5.9	04 01	0.0	16 25	-0.3
2 TH	10 13	6.3	22 38	6.3	04 44	-0.2	17 06	-0.6
3 F	10 48	6.6	23 09	6.5	05 23	-0.5	17 44	-0.8
4 SA	11 21	6.9	23 40	6.9	06 02	-0.8	18 21	-1.0
5 SU	11 54	7.0			06 40	-1.0	18 58	-1.0
6 M	00 12	7.0	12 28	7.1	07 18	-1.0	19 35	-1.0
7 TU	00 46	7.0	13 07	7.0	07 55	-1.0	20 10	-1.0
8 W	01 25	7.0	13 47	6.9	08 33	-0.9	20 47	-0.8
9 TH	02 05	6.8	14 33	6.5	09 12	-0.7	21 25	-0.5
10 F	02 51	6.4	15 26	6.2	09 55	-0.5	22 10	-0.2
11 SA	03 49	6.0	16 32	5.8	10 50	-0.3	23 08	0.0
12 SU	05 03	5.6	17 49	5.5			12 00	-0.2
13 M	06 24	5.6	19 10	5.6	00 24	0.1	13 20	-0.2
14 TU	07 38	5.9	20 20	6.0	01 45	0.0	14 34	-0.5
15 W	08 43	6.3	21 19	6.4	02 58	-0.2	15 42	-0.8
16 TH	09 37	6.8	22 08	6.9	04 02	-0.6	16 40	-1.0
17 F	10 25	7.1	22 52	7.1	04 59	-0.9	17 32	-1.2
18 SA	11 09	7.3	23 32	7.3	05 49	-1.1	18 18	-1.3
19 SU	11 51	7.3			06 35	-1.2	18 59	-1.2
20 M	00 11	7.3	12 31	7.2	07 16	-1.2	19 38	-1.1
21 TU	00 49	7.2	13 12	6.9	07 56	-1.1	20 14	-0.9
22 W	01 28	7.0	13 51	6.5	08 35	-0.9	20 49	-0.6
23 TH	02 06	6.6	14 31	6.1	09 11	-0.6	21 21	-0.2
24 F	02 47	6.2	15 14	5.6	09 46	-0.2	21 55	0.1
25 SA	03 34	5.8	16 06	5.2	10 26	0.0	22 38	0.4
26 SU	04 31	5.3	17 08	4.8	11 18	0.3	23 37	0.6
27 M	05 39	5.1	18 23	4.7			12 24	0.3
28 TU	06 50	5.0	19 33	4.8	00 51	0.7	13 35	0.3
29 W	07 52	5.2	20 32	5.2	02 04	0.5	14 37	0.1
30 TH	08 46	5.6	21 18	5.6	03 04	0.3	15 33	-0.2
31 F	09 30	6.0	21 57	6.1	03 56	-0.1	16 21	-0.5

Multi Use Games Area Opens Sat 27th April 2019



Report & Photos by: Colin Baty

Silloth on Solway Sport's Association have provisionally set Saturday April 27th for the official opening of the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) at approximately 4pm. We have got food and music in Silloth Rugby Union Club and hope to have Football, Netball and face painting on the day.

Silloth on Solway Sport's Association's Multi Use Games Area started work on Monday 18th February. With excavation being done by Ian Ward Plant Hire. This involved removal of soil and the laying of terram and stone, finished with porous tarmac supplied by Tolson's along with pin kerbs.

This took twelve days, next the fence, football goals and basketball hoops were installed by AMV Playground Solutions which was finished on 26th March.

The 3G Astro turf pitch was being laid during week commencing 15th April along with the re-positioning of the Floodlights to go on each corner of the area. This should be complete by the time you read this article.

We will be having an opening day on Saturday 27th April at 4pm, with food and refreshments in the Rugby Club followed by music from Sneaky Finch. We are very much looking forward to the completion and further information on hiring etc will be made available to everyone in due course.

Editor's Note:

Congratulations must go to Colin Baty who has worked for years to find the funding and build support in the community for this fantastic project. Many others have been involved but without the effort from Colin and his constant will to see this through, it would have failed.

