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by Aiden Todd from Silloth Primary School

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Golf Club Captain Donates £1,200 to First Responders



Report & Photo by: Jimmy Lettice

2023 Events on Silloth Green

Silloth Green Day
28th May

Silloth Pride
17th June

Silloth Vintage Rally
22nd & 23rd July

Soul on the Green
29th & 30th July

Silloth Carnival
27th & 28th August

Silloth Music Festival
7th to 10th September

The 2023 Silloth Golf Club Captain is the ever popular and ever committed Mr Johnny Martin, a talented golfer who is improving with age.

Money was raised from a raffle and charity auction, massive thanks go to all those who took part and the players and supporters who donated and bought items. They are delighted to support the fantastic lifesaving work Owen Martin and his colleagues do at Silloth's First Responders.

Johnny's chosen local group to

support have received a superb cheque for £1,200.

This year the **Silloth on Solway Golf Club Christmas Banty Trot** competition day was organised by Lennie Hodgins and Johnny Martin, the winners were Kenny Jefferson and Roy Ledingham with a superb 46 points making them worthy winners.

This was an all round great day.

Pictured is the check being presented to Owen Martin with Lennie Hodgins and Johnny Martin alongside.

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Dog Owners Help Keep Livestock Safe This Spring

Cumbria's Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), Peter McCall, is urging dog owners to keep their dogs on leads in our rural areas this Spring to help reduce sheep worrying.

Sheep worrying is when, on agricultural land, a dog either attacks sheep, chases them in such a way as to likely cause injury, suffering or abortion of pregnant ewes. Dog owners who are found by police allowing their dog to be off lead and worrying animals can face a fine up to £1000 and farmers are legally entitled to shoot dogs that are endangering their livestock.

Since the 1 January 2023, Cumbria Constabulary have received 12 reports of dogs worrying sheep where the dog

owner was present. Within these 12 reports, there were three incidents resulting in the injury of a sheep and 4 resulting in the death of a sheep.

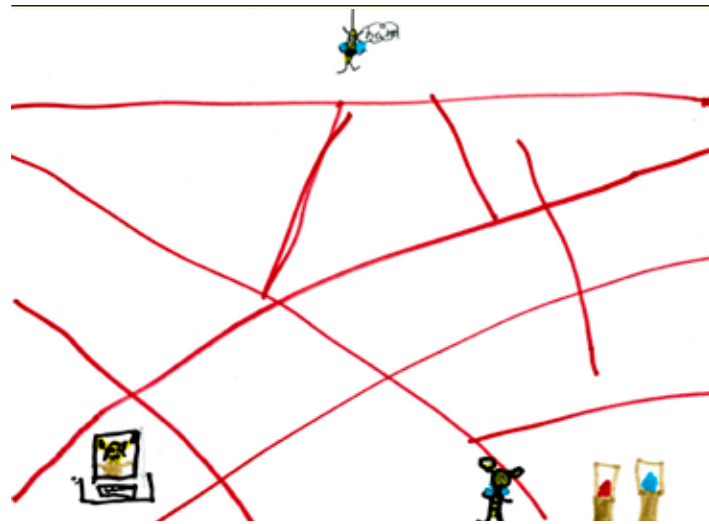
Speaking on the issue, PCC Peter McCall, said: "We are exceptionally lucky to live in a picturesque, rural county with plenty of walking trails that lead through the countryside. However, this privilege does come with responsibility. We have many farmers and agricultural businesses whose livelihoods depend on the health of their livestock. It is our duty as dog owners, and owners of dog walking businesses, to ensure that all dogs are kept on a lead when in a field with or near livestock, no matter how well trained these dogs are. We have

reached that time of year when many ewes are lambing, and these sheep and offspring are highly vulnerable. Please keep your dogs on a lead, and respect and enjoy your surroundings."

Chief Inspector Lee Skelton, Cumbria Constabulary's Rural Crime Lead, said: "Sheep and livestock worrying is a serious issue that can be very distressing for farmers and livestock owners, who depend on these animals for their income. It is in a dog's nature no matter how placid they may be to chase and if sheep are chased they become distressed and their instinct is to run, often resulting in horrific injury or death. Dog

owners must remember to keep their dogs under control and on a lead around farm animals and wildlife. We would advise all dog

owners and walkers to adhere to the Countryside Code which offers advice on walking dogs responsibly near livestock and wildlife."



Spy Bee and Cop Bee by James Ross from Silloth Primary School

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Guided Walks on the Solway Shore

They're back! Free low-tide guided walks on the shore at Dubmill Point, Allonby Bay, to look at the animals and seaweeds that live in and on the shore and rocks – including the very special honeycomb-worm reefs, for which Allonby Bay is a Marine Conservation Zone (and now a Highly Protected Marine Area).

As David Attenborough says, "No one will protect what they don't care about; and no one will care about what they have never experienced." So do join Ann Lingard to experience the wonders of our shores.

All details – dates, times, where to meet, what to wear etc are on the website for Ann's book about the Solway, The Fresh and

the Salt. The dates are also on page 14 'Dates for the Diary' column in this paper. The Story of the Solway: see <https://thefreshandthesalt.co.uk/shore-walks-events/>

Walks are about two hours long, dogs and children are most welcome, but booking is essential as places are limited: please use the contact form <https://thefreshandthesalt.co.uk/contact/> to book your place.

A short blog-post about 'Strange animals of the Solway shore' is on Ann's Solway Shore-walker blog <https://solwayshorewalker.co.uk/2022/01/24/strange-animals-of-the-solway-shore/> if you want to find out more about honeycomb worms.



Parachuting Trio of Bees
by Daisy Armstrong from Hulm Cultram Abbey School

Bobby is a Cumberland MYP

My name is Bobby Forbes, I am a Year Ten student from Solway Community School and I'm the next Member of Youth Parliament (MYP) for the Cumberland area, elected on the 22nd February 2023 by the young people of Cumbria, giving the generation of the future a voice.

You're probably asking what on earth is a MYP as most people don't know they exist. A MYP is a young person aged 11 to 18 years who is democratically elected by young people in their area. The job of a MYP is to voice the opinions of the young people in their area and start campaigns to impact positive change in their community, there are elected Members of Youth Parliament for the whole of the UK.

As well as myself there were also two Deputy Members who were elected; Evie Gasgarth from Wigton and Payton Richards from Carlisle, who I believe are going to be amazing to work alongside in the next year.

To run in the election all candidates had to write a manifesto voicing our views, things we would change and how we would change them. As well as submitting a manifesto we attended a hustings event where we had 60 seconds to share our views, qualities and opinions.

All young people who attend Cumbria's youth councils were able to vote in the election. After the voting had closed, all candidates were invited to a results event at Cumbria House in Carlisle on the 22nd February 2023, where the results were given by a returning officer and certificates presented to the elected member and the



elected deputy members.

As a MYP I am hoping to concentrate on two personal issues which I am very passionate about. I have been recently diagnosed dyslexic, I recognise there is more that can be done to support dyslexic students in KS1 and KS2, therefore, as part of one of my campaigns I am going to highlight the gaps in screening and diagnosing dyslexia in primary school aged children. This early screening is key, as students will be eligible for support that they really need in order to succeed throughout their educational journey and achieve what they are really capable of. This highlights to the problems that face SEND (special education needs) students and other students experiencing neurodiversity. In my campaign I am hoping to work with decision makers and with other dyslexic and neurodiverse students to see what issues they face in their everyday school life. I also want to remove the negative stigma surrounding dyslexia.

As well as this I will be highlighting changes needed in the curriculum taught in secondary schools to enable young people to learn skills for life, as well as other vocational subjects that will teach young people skills they will actually need and use in their adult life. For example, educate them on finances, how to write CV's and explore different careers and where they could take them as well

as learning practical skills such as cleaning, personal hygiene and how to work household appliances.

As well as running campaigns I will be attending events all around the UK. The main one will be in November when I will visit the House of Commons and I hope to speak in the chamber alongside all the other MYP's from different areas, to discuss and debate issues that affect young people and make sure they are not just heard by MP's and other decision makers, but we are listened to and can therefore influence decisions that will affect our future.

Although I want to work on my own issues, I want to hear the issues that young people face in Cumbria from different backgrounds, places and ages so I can represent them properly. If you would like to contact me to highlight an issue that affects you or other young people in your area then please contact me via the youth.voice@cumbria.gov.uk email with reference to Bobby Forbes Cumberland MYP, together let's make our mark and make our area a better place and better our education.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Participation Officers at Cumbria County Council for helping me through the election process and to my teachers at Solway Community School for always being extremely supportive of my campaigns as I start the ball rolling as a MYP.

Plants and Craft Fair

MAWBRAV VILLAGE HALL
Sunday 21st May 2023
10am - 4pm

Soaps, Textiles, Woodcrafts, Jewellery, Gifts, Produce, Linocuts, Watercolours, Cards, Chutneys cakes and Plants galore.

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RNLI Call-Out



Report by: Steven Henderson

Silloth RNLI Lifeboat was called out on the 23rd March to reports of a car floating in the sea with two elderly occupants inside near Port Carlisle.

The lifeboat made best speed to the area some 10 miles away, once in the area the vehicle was spotted and seen to be partly submerged. The lifeboat crew passed important information by radio to the other emergency services who were on the way to the area including a Coastguard helicopter, due to the ebbing tide the two occupants of the car were able to be extricated and taken

into the care of the Ambulance service. All units were then stood down to return to their respective stations, with the wind now gusting to near gale force the passage back to Silloth was an uncomfortable one and Helmsman Mark Ware had to use his skill and experience to negotiate the rough and confused seas and bring the lifeboat safely home, the lifeboat was then rehoused ready for service.

If you find yourself in an emergency situation or spot someone else in trouble, you should call 999 or 112 and ask for the coastguard.

Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning

Report by: Jean Day

The Coffee Morning on Saturday 1st April was very well attended and we had a lovely big raffle, thanks again to all the generous donations of Easter eggs, chocolates, biscuits and other lovely prizes.

Winners today were Carol Holywell, Margaret Gate, Janice Fell, Brenda Scott, June Morton, Jean Graham, Edna Allison, Eileen Reeves, Terry Lewis, Maureen Gray, Jill Chatt, Moira Fearon, Mary Bragg, Joan Wise and Jennifer Adams. The cake stall, as always, did brisk business, thank you to all the ladies of the committee who do the baking.

The summer bus trip to Windermere on 28th June is full. Names will be taken at the next Coffee Morning, which will be on Saturday 3rd June, for anyone who wants to go on the waiting list (if there are any cancellations). Please do not ring any committee member before that date (they won't be able to take your names).

Just a reminder there will not be a Coffee Morning in May because of the Coronation of King Charles.

Davina Recognised

On the 21st March Davina Sim of Silloth was invited to receive an award at the Roundthorn Country House Hotel Penrith, from Alan McVie High Sheriff of Cumbria followed by an excellent Afternoon Tea.

She was nominated for this regional award because of her achievements and commitments in raising £60,000 for the British Heart Foundation over 20 years.

Without the wonderful support within the county and surrounding areas and the generosity of members from Silloth on Solway and Carlisle Golf Clubs for hosting the Open Seniors Mixed Golf Competition on their courses this would not have been possible.

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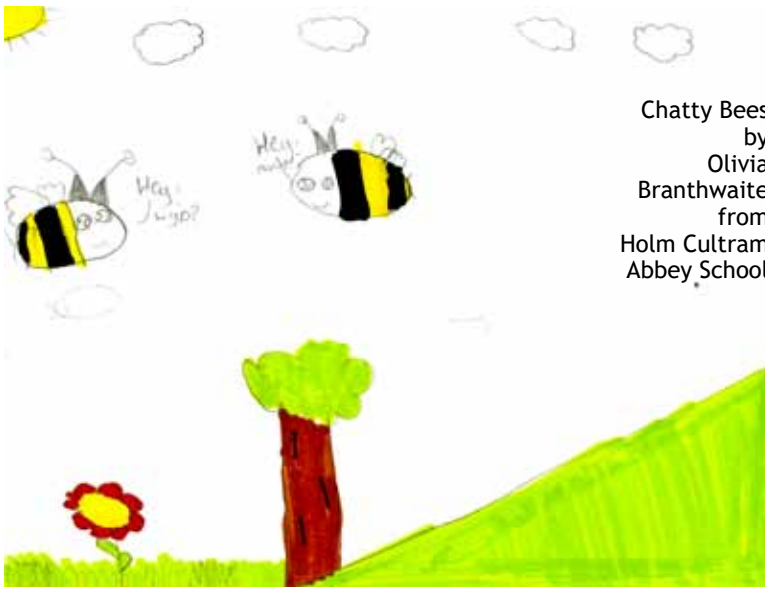
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Designer Bee
by Wanda Ochal
from Silloth Primary School

What is a Community Paper?

The Solway Buzz was launched in August 2001 as a community paper primarily for the benefit of the area within about six miles of Silloth-on-Solway.

The Buzz has no reporters, photographers or salespeople to sell the adverts. As it says at the top of every page, it is: local news - for you - by you - about you.

There are around 65 volunteers who help to ensure the paper gets to you each month. The adverts from businesses pay for the costs to ensure we can continue to pay for the printing costs (this is the main outlay).

As a community paper all community based organisations advertise free of charge, for instance the Music Festival advert below is free but the Stanwix Park advert is not.

There is no charge to submit articles, letters, bees, etc., these are the lifeblood of the paper.

Please keep sending in your interesting stories, don't worry about grammar or spelling, we sort that for you.

Ukes £500 for RNLI



Report by: Margaret English

On Saturday 25th March the UKES of Allonby came to St Andrew's church hall in Silloth.

The hall was full and the evening started with a supper of Pie and Peas. Once everyone had enjoyed their supper the Ukes got going.

Everyone was treated to a wonderful selection of mostly familiar songs to which the audience were happily joining in and singing along. The atmosphere was tremendous and

the enthusiasm of the players was fantastic, a huge thank you to them all for sharing their fun with everyone.

The raffle was enormous and thank you to all of those people who provided the prizes. At the half time break the raffle was drawn.

The evening raised £500 for the Silloth and District RNLI fund raising group. This is a wonderful result and all of our thanks go to everyone who joined us on the night and were so generous.

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Swanning Around the Solway



Report by: Jeanette O'Connell

Happy anniversary to the Silloth Swans! They have had four years of swanning around.

The group was founded by local Helen Mansell who was a professional dancer before turning to lecturing and teaching. She taught various dance styles in

universities, colleges, schools and in the community in and around Bedfordshire for over 30 years.

After moving to Silloth she started the Silloth Swans in June 2019 with an Adult Ballet class shortly followed by a Jazz/Contemporary class. Sessions continued through Lockdown

(when guidelines allowed) outside on the Green.

Classes are great to help improve your physicality for example posture and alignment, strength and flexibility, balance and control but more importantly it improves your well being, we have fun, express ourselves and it makes you feel good.

CO-OP Members Vote for Keith



Do you shop at your local CO-OP?

Are you a CO-OP member?

Yes - then you will be receiving a ballot pack by post or email in April for the election of the CO-OP National Members Council.

It's really important you vote.

I am your local candidate, my name is Keith Wylie. I am Cumbrian born and bred, living in Silloth. I will champion Cumbrian and NW issues.

A local voice on the council is essential to looking after the interests of our Cumbrian CO-OP shops, the investment in them and the interest of our CO-OP staff.

From 19th April the COOP are running elections for their national members council. Every one who

shops in their local coop shop and is a cooperative member will get a ballot paper from 19th April.

The election is regionally based, I will be the only candidate in our North West regional constituency living in Silloth. As far as I know the only Cumbrian candidate.

You can contact Keith on 07799 032995 or Email: wylie.foxes@gmail.com



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Friends of Silloth Green Seed Swap Day



and 'bought' plants and swapped seeds.

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To find out more about our activities and handy gardening tips go to the Friends of Silloth Green Facebook page.

Report & Photos by:
Caroline Turner

Hopefully the Seed Swap and Plant Sale we held on April 5th will be the first of a number throughout the Spring & Summer months.

The weather was not the best but it did not dampen the volunteers enthusiasm! Some even got stuck into a bit of hedge trimming!

A big thank you to those who turned out to support us, donated



Mr Potato Bee
by
Jenson Mattinson from Silloth Primary School

Battery & Charger Dangers

At a recent home Safe & Well visit in Carlisle, the occupant of a property informed Cumbria Fire and Rescue Service of the following near-miss incident caused by a lithium-ion battery:

The occupants had bought some replacement batteries for a cordless power drill from an online retailer. The batteries weren't produced by the same manufacturer as the drill and upon charging, a fire and a series of explosions occurred. There is nothing to suggest that there was

an issue with the drill or charger itself, it is believed to be an issue with the replacement batteries.

Fortunately, the owner of the property was in the house at the time the batteries were charging and managed to move it to the garden to prevent what could have been an extremely serious house fire.

Counterfeit electrical chargers can be deadly - many fail to meet UK safety regulations leading to fires and injury. What may seem

like a bargain isn't worth the risk when you consider that it could cost a family member's life

Please follow Cumbria Fire & Rescue Service's advice relating to lithium-ion batteries and their safe use:

Always use the charger that came with your phone, tablet, e-cigarette or mobile device. If you need to buy a replacement, always choose a branded, genuine product from a supplier you can trust. There are lots of fakes out there, and it can be difficult to spot the difference. Avoid storing, using or charging batteries at very high or low temperatures. Protect batteries against being damaged - that's crushed, punctured or immersed in water. Don't leave items continuously on charge after the charge cycle is complete - it's best not to leave your phone plugged in overnight for example. Never cover chargers or charging devices - that includes using your laptop power lead in bed. When you travel, avoid keeping all your items containing lithium-ion batteries together, especially on a plane. Check with your flight carrier for additional information or advice. Don't overload your sockets

£1,900 for MNDA



Report by: Lori Quayle

On Sunday the 2nd of April we held a fundraiser in Caldew Hall.

Two of my friends Ian Caulfield and Andrew Allison are taking on the Rob Burrows Leeds marathon on the 14th May this year to support the charity MNDA. They recently ran the Carlisle half marathon in where I watched them both cross the finish line.

Ian and I have both lost close family members to the disease. I had booked to do the marathon in Leeds myself but I wasn't able, so I asked my friend Andrew to take my place and he agreed.

Ian and Andy went to school together. So I wanted to help them increase the amount on their JustGiving pages, we agreed four weeks ago that we would have a cuppa, cake sale and raffle.

We were inundated with raffle prizes, it was so overwhelming. We had lots of helpers and the lads did a great job serving tea and coffee to everyone that queued to come in. It was a great event and full of proper community spirit.

Thanks to all involved we raised nearly £1,900 and we are still getting donations. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts from Sarah, Ian and Andrew.



Jim the Tyre Fixer Bee by Harry Thompson from Holme St Cuthbert School



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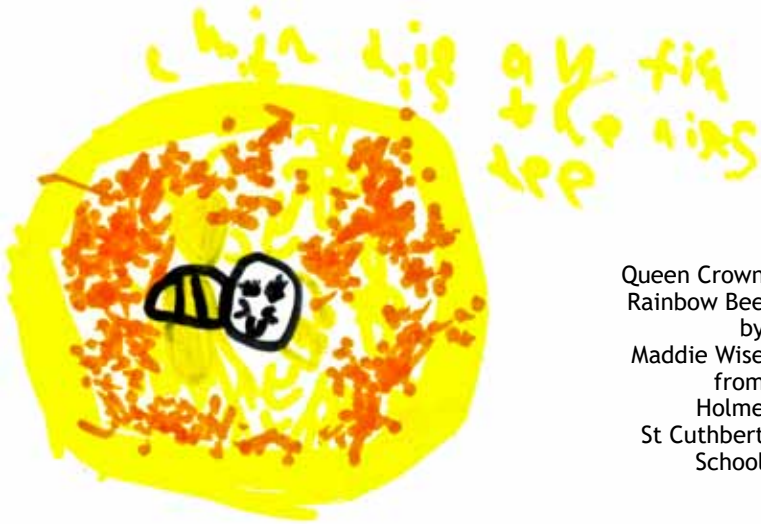


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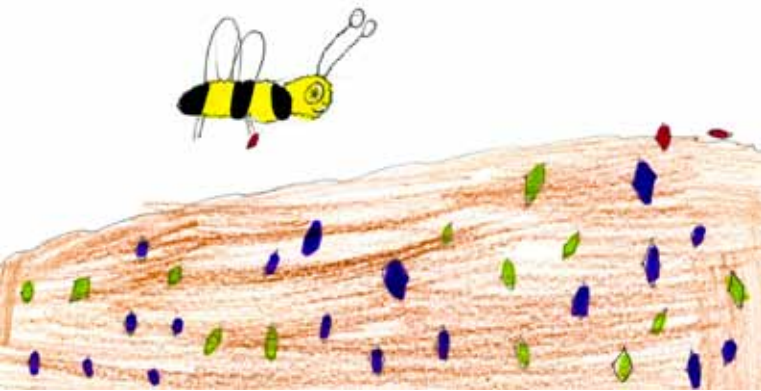
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Holme St Cuthbert's Church



Queen Crown Rainbow Bee
by Maddie Wise from Holme St Cuthbert School



Crystal Bee
by Amelia from Holme St Cuthbert School



Report by: B Bailey, Church Warden

With the help of much appreciated funds granted by Cumbria Community Foundation (Hellrigg Wind Farm), Sea Dyke Fund and Aspatria and District Community Charity Association, Holme St Cuthbert Church has undergone a complete facelift inside.

The church has not been painted inside for 10 years and was beginning to look a little worse for wear. It was decided by the committee that a re-paint would re-fresh and brighten up the church.

Brian Johnstone our local Painter and Decorator did a sterling job for us as he did previously 10 years ago.

Apart from the weekly 9:30am Sunday services the church is used for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and our local Primary School for various services and activities. The redecoration will help to enhance these special events.

Why not come along to one of our Sunday services to see just what we have been doing.



Silloth Green Dog Code

Silloth Green is enjoyed by dog walkers every day of the year and we ask that all dog walkers abide by the dog code, so that Silloth Green is a place for everyone to enjoy.

The purpose of this code is:

- To ensure considerate use between those undertaking dog walking activities on Silloth Green and other park users
- To protect the park and its wildlife
- To ensure access to and use of public open space is preserved for all visitors

Control your dog!

Always ensure your dog is within sight and returns to you when called. Any dog whose obedience cannot be guaranteed should be kept on a lead. When there is an event taking place and the Green is busy, keep your dog on the lead or use one of the quieter areas.

Know where you can go!

Dogs are not allowed in the Woodland Play Area, the Water Splash Pad, BMX Track or the fenced Children's Play Area next to the Splash Pad. We would prefer that your dog is kept on a lead around the Community Garden, Heritage Rose & Bee Garden & Putting Green.

Consider others!

Never let your pet approach cyclists, other people or dogs uninvited. Other park users may not be as fond of dogs and some people—especially small children—can find dogs intimidating.

Dogs die in hot cars!

Never leave your dog locked in your car especially during the summer months. Incidents will be reported to the Police.

Clean up!

Always bag and remove your dog's waste. Bags of dog waste can be placed in any of the litter bins provided. Please help us keep Silloth Green clean for everyone!



Candidates for the Silloth-on-Solway Parish Were Invited to Participate and Communicate Their Views

Persons Nominated		
1 Surname	2 Other Names	3 Home Address
BATY	COLIN IAN	13 Waver Street Silloth Wighton Cumbria CA7 4DF
COOK	JOHN	15 Caldew St Silloth CA7 4BY
DORAN	CAROL ANN ELISABETH	45 Waver Street Silloth-on-Solway Wighton CA7 4DG
EMMERSON	RONALD ANGUS	Maxwell House Blitterlees Silloth Cumbria CA7 4JR
IRVING	MELANIE	47 Caldew Street Silloth Cumbria CA7 4EL
JEFFERSON	BILL	3 Marine Terrace Criffel Street Silloth CA7 4BZ
MARKLEY	TONY	Verona Blitterlees Silloth Cumbria CA7 4JJ
MARTIN	OWEN PAUL	14 Mary St Silloth CA7 4EH
ORCHARD	KIARA CAITLIN	New Orchard Holme Causewayhead Silloth CA7 4JG
ORCHARD	MARK EDWIN	New Orchard Holme Causewayhead Silloth CA7 4JG
REYNOLDS	ANDREW	32 Waver Street Silloth CA7 4DG
SCOTT	JOE	14 Mary Street Silloth Cumbria CA7 4EH
SEARLE	CHARLES EDWARD	15 Greenrow Meadows Silloth Wighton Cumbria CA7 4HY
WINTER	LUCY SIAN	2 Prospect Place Silloth Wighton Cumbria CA7 4HQ

Colin Ian Baty

My name is Colin Baty, I am 53 years old, and I have lived in Silloth for most of my life. I currently work as the Workshop Administrator for Robinson Car and Commercial in Silloth. I believe passionately in improving, promoting, and inspiring people who live, work, and visit Silloth to make it the best place to be in Cumbria.

In the last few years, I was Treasurer for Friends of the Green, Silloth Tourist Action Group, Silloth Music and Beer festival and was Secretary and Manager of Silloth Football Club, raising over £50,000 for those organisations. Previously I worked as the Tourist Information Officer in Silloth and brought back into use the Cockpit Flight Simulator and Airfield Diorama, an attraction in the Discovery Centre

I am Secretary of Silloth-on-Solway Sport's Association and Project Managed the complete funding and installation of the Multi Use Games Area raising £130,000 to achieve this idea in just two years.

I have recently formed the Silloth on Solway Festivals organisation that allows groups to apply for events in Silloth using the correct procedural formula. Silloth has huge potential and I believe I have the skills to implement them as a Councillor.

John Cook

Incredible that it's been four years since our last town council elections. All your town councillors are coming out of the woodwork to ask for your vote again, including me.

Although it's been a strange time for us all, I do believe that the council has achieved some positive benefits through this tough time. We've managed to push forward with the town plan which is close to be finalised. We've managed to keep the rates precepts the same over the last few years

It's nice to see my dear late friend's (Peter Richardson's sculpture) THE BIG MAN is still popular bringing visitors to the area and spreading Silloth's fame around the world through social media.

I believe it's now time for Silloth and its community to blossom after the troubles of Covid. It's a team effort and it's up to you to decide who you want on the council team for the next four years.

Please use your vote and use it wisely.



Carol Ann Elisabeth Doran

For a little over two years I have been a Town Councillor and recently Deputy Mayor and Vice Chairman.

For me though I am most proud to be the founding member of the Accessibility Committee working with a great team. Producing the Changing Places Facility and disabled parking in two carparks. My plan would be to continue to work towards making Silloth a leading light for people with all manner of disabilities. Also to ensure that the residents are encouraged to take part in open dialogue with questions answered and ideas considered.

To promote the economic vitality of the Town through partnerships.

The warm spot and the Saturday drop in demonstrate my wish to encourage the social and community values which are within Silloth. Since 2019 I have been passionately committed to Friends of the Green advocating and implementing new ideas and projects to further enhance our beautiful green. I feel very lucky to live here in Silloth.

Ronald Angus Emmerson

I have been proud to serve on the Council in the town where I was born 66 years ago in Caldew Street Silloth, to my parents Ronnie and Jean Emmerson.

I have served on the Council since 2007 with many great councillors, past and present, who have brought Silloth to where it is today. It is very hard work, believe you and me but saying that, I hope to serve you again as a councillor of our fantastic town for many more years to come, should you vote me back in.

There are many good people who are also asking for your vote who will serve you just as well and I say good luck to you all but I hope I make the grade.

Melanie Irving

I have been on Silloth town council representing the community for the past four years, and I'm hoping to continue fighting for the local community.

I have lived in the town my whole life and have run my own business for the past twelve years, I believe we can keep making Silloth great by implementing fresh ideas and making it work for all ages.

I am heavily involved in Silloth Youth Club and we are currently trying to access funding for our new build which will be a great asset to the young people of Silloth. I am also involved with Silloth Rotary Club working with a great bunch of volunteers helping create something the whole community can enjoy.

Bill Jefferson

I was born in Abbeystown and educated at school there followed by NT Wighton and Oxford University. Most of my working life was spent in the British Overseas Service.

I have served on Silloth Town Council for 24 successive years and been involved in many of major projects during that time including Silloth Green Restoration Project, Pirate Project, Silloth in Bloom, Cycle Way, Community Garden, Bee Garden, Discovery Centre and many more. I established the Solway Coast AONB HQ in Silloth and chaired its joint advisory committee for the past 20 years. As Chair of Silloth Parks Committee I have overseen a succession of ten Green Flag awards, which have helped put Silloth firmly on the wider map linked to my work with Cumbria Tourism Executive and the Lake District National Park Authority which I chaired for many years. Gaining World Heritage Site status secured international attention for Cumbria as a whole.

My family has long ties to this area, particularly Silloth, Causewayhead and Abbeystown and I hope to continue serving our communities to the best of my ability in these trying times.

Tony Markley

I have lived and worked alongside my family in Silloth for more than 45 years. Having been a Silloth Town Councillor for a considerable length of time, I understand the importance of promoting and maintaining all local assets the town has.

I served on Cumbria and Allerdale councils until their demise at the end of March 2023 and now serve on The Cumberland Unitary Council.

I have worked tirelessly for my local community by identifying and addressing local issues to the best of my ability. I have managed to secure significant amounts of granted funds to assist local groups to operate for the local community.

I thoroughly enjoy working with and alongside the local community and wish to continue doing so as your local councillor please vote for me at the Silloth Town elections on May 4th 2023. Thank you.

Owen Paul Martin

I am standing for Silloth Town Council for another term, having recently rejoining the council following a short absence. I work in the pharmacy full time and spend a lot of my spare time volunteering in Silloth. My volunteer work includes, Team leader for Silloth First responders responding to 999 calls on behalf of NWS. I'm currently president of Silloth Rotary club, supporting event, activities and supporting charities. I'm also involved in Silloth Carnival & Silloth Music Festival.

I spend my time as a councillor championing what can be done to maintain Silloth's natural beauty and finding new ways to improve Silloth for the future and generations to come. I'm always happy to chat and see what the residents priorities for the council are.

Kiara Caitlin Orchard

My name is Kiara, I have experience in business and currently graduating in project management.

I'm positive, approachable and determined. Although I'm the youngest nominee, I am professional and will act as a voice for any Sillothian, bringing in fresh, innovative ideas and opinions which could be a great asset to the Town Council. I'd like to inspire the young people of our town.

I am motivated to keep our generation and our future generations in our town. I believe by voicing the concerns and ideas of those who will keep our town alive is crucial to help our town grow.

I'm not associated with any political parties. I am my own voice. I would like the opportunity to represent every one of the residents in Silloth that choose to call Silloth home.

Mark Edwin Orchard

I have been serving you as Mayor of Silloth for the last four years and been a member of the Town Council for many years more.

Having lived my whole life in Silloth I have very strong interest in Silloth. I live here and own my business at Silloth.

With my business I speak to customers everyday and have a great understanding of the needs of the residents of Silloth.

I'm approachable and will act upon matters arising.

Unlike many of the other candidates I am not associated with any political party or outside body, my opinions and decisions are my own and what I believe to be the best for Silloth.

Andrew Reynolds

Hi, my name is Andrew Reynolds, I am standing for Silloth Town Council on 4th May. I have lived in Silloth my whole life and play an active part in the community. I am involved in many different events in the town including, Silloth Beer Festival, Silloth Carnival and events run by Silloth Rotary Club. I hope you will vote for me on 4th May.

Joe Scott

I have worked in Silloth for the past ten years. In the past five years I have become involved with a number of

volunteer organisations in the town, including Silloth Rotary Club, Silloth Beer Festival, Silloth Carnival and I am chairman of Silloth Christmas Lights committee.

I am looking to join Silloth Town Council to help support the town further and champion local issues.

As one of your councillors I would do my utmost to help keep Silloth the great town it is for generations to come.

Charles Edward Searle

I have lived in Silloth with my family for the past 16 years. Last year I was elected to the town council for the first time. During my time as a councillor, I have served on the planning, parks, allotments, and Town Plan committees.

If you elect me again, then this is what you can expect from me. Firstly, I will make sure that I attend as many council and committee meetings as I can, as it is only by being actively engaged that I can fully represent your views.

I will continue to argue that the Town Council should not increase its rates, so you can hold onto your hard-earned cash. I will work to protect the town's assets from abuse, such as preventing fly-tipping on the allotments.

I will bring in new activities to the town, like the proposed new Park Run, which I have been actively involved in. I will ensure that the new Cumberland Council understands what Silloth's priorities are as set out in our forthcoming Town Plan.

Finally, I will continue to promote the town and its many great activities through my weekly show on Solway Radio at www.solwayradio.co.uk

Lucy Sian Winter

I am a local mother with two young children, having grown up and living in Silloth, I understand the importance of the local amenities Silloth residents require and will always try to help and assist when and where ever I can.

I work locally in Silloth for a local company as a coach driver.

I have served on Silloth Town Council and really enjoy being able to contribute in debates and represent the local community with a younger view on local issues.

Please vote for me on 4th May and I will continue to represent the local community as best I can.

How to vote
At your local voting station you will have to provide your name, address and a photo ID.
You will be given a ballot paper showing the fourteen councillors names. Follow the instructions on the notices in the polling booth and on the top of the ballot paper to vote. You can vote for up to 12 candidates.

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Thursday 25th May
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£2.00 per person

Prize for the winning team

Bring your own drinks, snacks and glasses.

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IN SILLOTH

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Entry £ 10.00 a ticket including finger buffet, tea and coffee. Please bring your own wine or beer.

Tickets from the RNLI shop at the Lifeboat Station or Margaret on 016973 31502 at 154 Skinburness Road Silloth.

PRIZE for BEST SIXTIES OUTFIT

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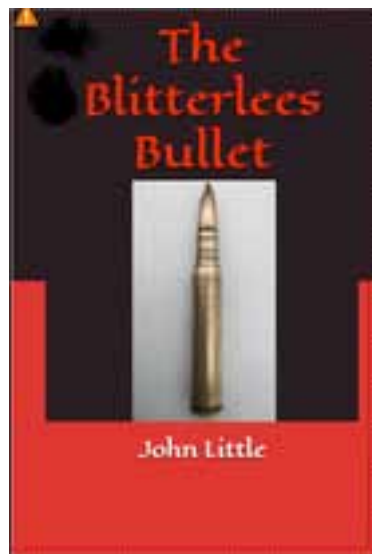
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An International Spy Drama Set in Silloth!

John Little the author said "As a Cumbrian, I have always been interested in the rich and varied history of my home area, but found that although there are quite a lot of specialised books by local historians, there is not so much of a body of historical fiction set in the region. There are a few notable exceptions of course, notably Redgauntlet at Skinburness, but I wanted to add to the catalogue of local fiction writing. I set about writing a series of books where my characters are based in such places as Workington, Whitehaven, Edderside, Dearham, Aspatria, Cockermouth and Penrith. For the most part they are fictionalised History, and most of the people in them really existed. I have published thirteen books so far.

My latest offering, a new departure for me, is *The Blitterlees Bullet*, which is proper historical fiction, because although many of the people in it are real, the main characters are not. It centres on the visit of The Shahzada, or crown prince of Afghanistan to Blitterlees in June 1895. Silloth turned out en fete to greet him, seen as an heroic figure, and a great ally of this country.

Being set locally, the book has to have local names, So John Twentyman and his son Syd, his friend Tommy Wise, and Mrs Violet Barwise are set quite a task



when two spies descend on Silloth. Their purpose is to assassinate the Shazada.

Obviously I cannot give too much away, but as ever, my purpose is to weave a story into the local scene by use of evidence, details in local history and accurate use of the local geography. One of my spies, for example, enjoys the facilities at Silloth sea baths, whilst another meets a legendary Silloth golfer. All has to meet the rule of the three Ps- is it Plausible, Probable or Possible?

The action spans from Afghanistan to India, then to Silloth and Blitterlees, and the background of the Second Afghan War is quite accurate.

The result is an adventure tale which I hope will be enjoyed by locals and people across the country alike. My own measure of whether something is working or not, is if I can see it in my head as a moving film; if I can't then I don't put it in. It's had some good reviews so far, both on Amazon and elsewhere.

Buzzing Letters and Poems

Attention All 70 Year Olds Reunion!

I am looking for people who sat GCE or CSE exams in 1969 at Silloth Secondary School or Wigton N T School from Silloth area.

In addition anyone who went on to sixth form at Wigton in September 1969 with a view to a reunion this summer sometime.

Please get in touch by the means below.
Mobile 07934 238 650
E mail
ianarmstrong777@aol.com

Ian Armstrong

Let All 70 yearolds
Get Together in
2023



Queen Bee
by
Heather St Quintin
from
Silloth
Primary School

Silloth in Nature by Sophia Lodhi

*Tiny daisies dance
On the fresh cushions
Of the greens,
Heralding the arrival
Of a bright dawn...*

*Salt-tinged air streams from an
Azure horizon...
Along which purple hills hover,
Amorphous through the mists of the
New day's ever-changing weather.*

*Tree branches sway
In the warm,
Familiar winds and gentle rains...
Welcoming the
Soft nourishment of summer.*

*Birds return to find
Their Cumbrian homes again,
Voicing their joy
In a song-sheet
Of celestial, fluted notes.*

*Grasses swish with hints
Of jade and emerald
In the dazzling
Daze
Of the noonday sun.*

*Blackberries begin to form in hedgerows,
The repetition of nature
Cleaving and moulding itself
Once more to feed
The complex, revolving circles of the seasons...*

*Fishing boats return in the evening
On the mirror-still waters
Of the Solway Firth:
Twinkling lights
Reflecting profoundly in its dark, liquid depths.*

*A crescent moon rests,
Suspended in the velvet of
A midnight Silloth sky,
As if weightless,
It's silvery perfection a delight.*



Bee Fact #13



Bees have been pollinating plants and producing honey for at least 150 million years!

Do you have a poem or letter for the Buzz?
We welcome all submissions,
THERE IS NO CHARGE.
Please remember to include
your contact 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 a £5 Gift Voucher from the Solway Buzz.

So, come on kids, get drawing, the Buzz is always looking for more imaginative bees and yours might be the next winner. Local children return your drawing to your school 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.

This month the winner is Aiden Todd from Silloth Primary School with a bee drawing called "Bee Sweet Bug".

Well done!



Non-Commercial Tourism Websites

solwaybuzz.co.uk
sillothgreen.co.uk
silloth-on-solway.co.uk
sillothgolfclub.co.uk
vintagerally.co.uk
sillothbeerfestival.co.uk
sillothmotorcyclemuseum.co.uk
silloth-on-solway-tc.gov.uk
visitcumbria.com/wc/silloth
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solwayplain.co.uk/silloth1.htm
facebook.com/sillothgreen
facebook.com/silloth-carnival
facebook.com/groups/121042258051545 (Silloth Today)

John Peel Theatre

Report by: Connie Jensen
Chair of Wigton Theatre Club
Something for everyone!

Following Cinders, our most successful panto ever, we are delighted to announce a great year of entertainment at the John Peel Theatre - from our highly popular Open Mics, through one of our famously innovative Shakespeare productions to a World Premiere comedy by the talented David Ross, and more! There is something for everyone!

Ticket prices held since last year

For our first February panto, The Pie Eyed Piper of Wigton, we reduced the cost for a family of four, from £32 to £28. We are a Community Theatre and we are committed to keeping our prices affordable, so we will stick to a standard adult price of £9 and a price of £5 for school children for suitable productions such as this year's Shakespeare play in November.

Be sure to also take advantage of our Early Bird Reductions for our Summer entertainment.

Music to sing along to, and a comic romp

For the Love of Musicals and The Scottish Play will keep you laughing. Whatever you do- don't mention the M Word! Our very own David Ross, fresh from his success with Cinders, brings you a slapstick witty version of Mac ... (hush- I daren't say it- I might die!)

Magic and Mayhem

Meddling fairies create havoc for our young lovers, while some well intentioned local workers put on an unintentionally hilarious play. Don't miss out on this opportunity to see one of Shakespeare's best loved plays, A Midsummer Night's Dream, in a whole new light. Shakespeare for the Shakespeare phobic!

Finally ... a first for Wigton

Internationally renowned folk virtuoso John Kirkpatrick in his Christmas show: Carolling and Crumpets. Tickets are already going, and we anticipate a sell out. Please don't leave it too late!

Easter Crafters Were Busy



The very talented crafters in Silloth have decorated the pillar box at Winters Post Office beautifully

Meet Your Community Beat Officer

PC Dawn Lowerson is the new local Community Beat Officer (CBO) who is covering the Silloth, Wigton and Aspatria areas.

Dawn would like to introduce herself and give you a bit of background into her career as an officer.

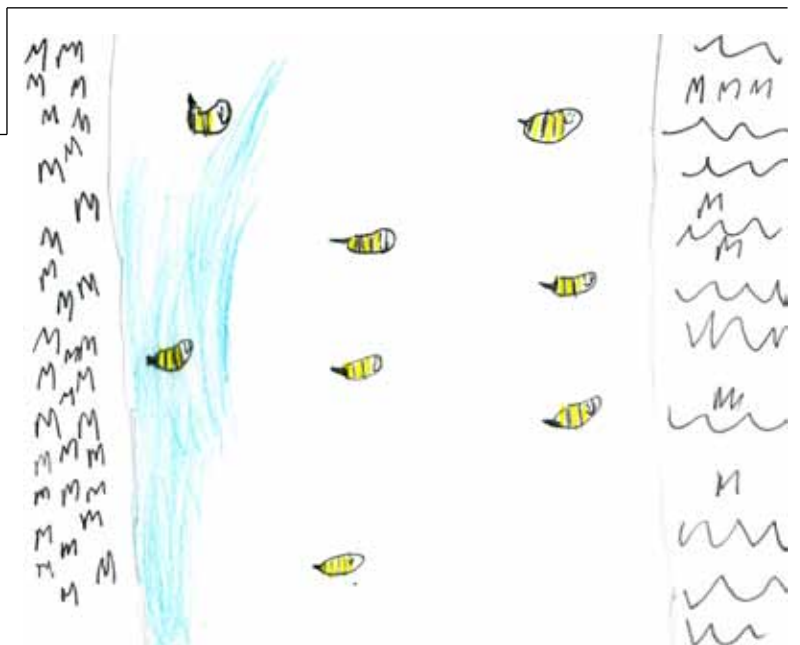
"I have four years' experience as a response officer and before that I was a PCSO for three years. I am looking forward to engaging and meeting with the local communities of Silloth, Wigton and Aspatria and working with the younger people."

Dawn has already been visiting local business in Silloth as part of her role engaging with staff as well as the local community.



Zombiee
by Kiki Whitehead
from Silloth Primary School

Tiny Bees
by Ruby Beverley
from Holm Cultram Abbey School



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OULTON TRACTOR RUN



On 13th August to raise funds for the Air Ambulance.

Starting from Oulton Village Hall at 8:30am to view the tractors, then Ride Out at 10:30am to The White Heather at Kirkbride Airfield.

For Info Tel Sean: 016973 42101



Copy Date



Copy date for the June issue is:
1st week May
If you have an event to promote or you have something to say, please note the next copy date.

Please let us know of any changes within this section

Coast Bus Timetable

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

Silloth RNLI Shop

Shop Opening Times
Saturday 11-4pm
Sunday 10-4pm
Monday 1-4pm
Tuesday 1-4pm
Wednesday Closed
Thursday 1-4pm
Friday 1-4pm
Our Shop is staffed by Volunteers and may not be open at the advertised time. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Christ Church

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

Civic Amenity Sites

Operated by Cumbria County Council. Tel: 01228 606060
Maryport Tip, tel 01900 66922 open daily 8am to 6pm
Wigton Tip, tel 016973 45617 open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday, 8am to 6pm

Silloth Tennis Club

For coaching information call David Wise on 07742 547767

Church Service

St Andrews Church services every third Sunday each month

Causewayhead WI

We meet on the 2nd Wednesday in each month at 2pm in Christ Church and visitors are welcome

Production Team

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Editorial Content
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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.

Silloth Library

Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10am to 4pm
Saturday 10am to 1pm
0303 333 1234
cumbria.gov.uk/libraries

Cash Machines

Are available on Solway Street at both the Spar and CO-OP supermarkets. Cash is also available at Winters Post Office

Crafts Group

Meet in St Andrews Church Hall from 1:30 to 3:30pm every Wednesday
You will be very welcome

Miramar Lodge

Miramar Lodge of Freemasons based in Station Road Silloth meetings every third Thursday of the month. You will be made welcome.

Abbeytown Choir

Meet in the Abbey:
Adult Choir Tuesdays 6-7pm
Children's Choir
Wednesdays 4:30-5:30pm
All welcome!

Please tell us when your group starts up again so we can let everyone know

Please note that articles, letters and virtually all content of the Solway Buzz are contributed by YOU, the local community. The Editor reserves the right to control what is included, however, no responsibility whatsoever for the content of the Solway Buzz can be accepted by the Editor, or the Publishers.

Dates for Your Diary

April

27th Monthly Quiz in Mawbray Village Hall at 7:30pm, see advert

May

6th King Charles III Coronation live on big screen in Mawbray Village Hall, 10am to 2pm, refreshments

6th Coffee Morning with Silloth & District Pensioners CANCELLED

8th Silloth Town Council meeting in Community Hall at 7pm

12th Soul Weekend at Stanwix Park

13th Film Club in Mawbray Village Hall showing Avatar 2 at 7pm, see advert

13th Soul Weekend at Stanwix Park

13th Happy Songs by Dalston Male Voice Choir in The Methodist Church Wigton at 7pm, see advert

14th Soul Weekend at Stanwix Park

17th Silloth Nursing Home League of Friends coffee morning in Christ Church Silloth, at 10am

20th Coffee Morning in Westnewton Village Hall 10-12 in aid of St Matthews Church, entry £3

20th Sixties Night with Live Music & Dancing in Christ Church at 7p, entry £10 see advert

May cont'd

20th Wigton Theatre Club presents 'For The Love of Musicals' Details & times on Ticket Source

21st Annual Spring Plant & Craft Fair in Mawbray Village Hall 10am to 4pm

21st Wigton Theatre Club presents 'For The Love of Musicals' Details & times on Ticket Source

23rd Blencogo and District Garden Club Plant sale/swap and Quiz in Blencogo Village Hall at 7:30pm, contact Linda on 07538 027936

25th Monthly Quiz in Mawbray Village Hall at 7:30pm, entry £2, see advert

27th Lowther Arms presents Swingthing 2 piece swing band from 3-5pm

28th Silloth Green Day on Silloth Green

June

3rd Coffee Morning with Silloth & District Pensioners in St Andrews Hall at 10am

4th Blencogo and District Garden Club visit to Windy Hall Windermere, contact Linda on 07538 027936

10th Lowther Arms presents Joni & the Solway Sound Machine from 3-5pm

14th Silloth Nursing Home League of Friends coffee morning in Christ Church Silloth, at 10am

17th Silloth Pride on Silloth Green

June cont'd

24th Summer Sale with Craft Stalls & Sale of second hand books and DVD's in Westnewton Village Hall from 10am to 4pm, Refreshments available, free admission

24th Lowther Arms presents All Saints' Community Rock Squad, supporting Diabetes UK from 3-5pm

24th The All Saints' Community Rock Squad are live at ChristChurch Silloth, 7:30pm

25th Summer Sale with Craft Stalls & Sale of second hand books and DVD's in Westnewton Village Hall from 10am to 4pm, Refreshments available, free admission

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

July

1st Coffee Morning with Silloth & District Pensioners in St Andrews Hall at 10am

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29th Soul on the Green free music event noon to 8pm with The Soul Collective

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27th Silloth Carnival on Silloth Green

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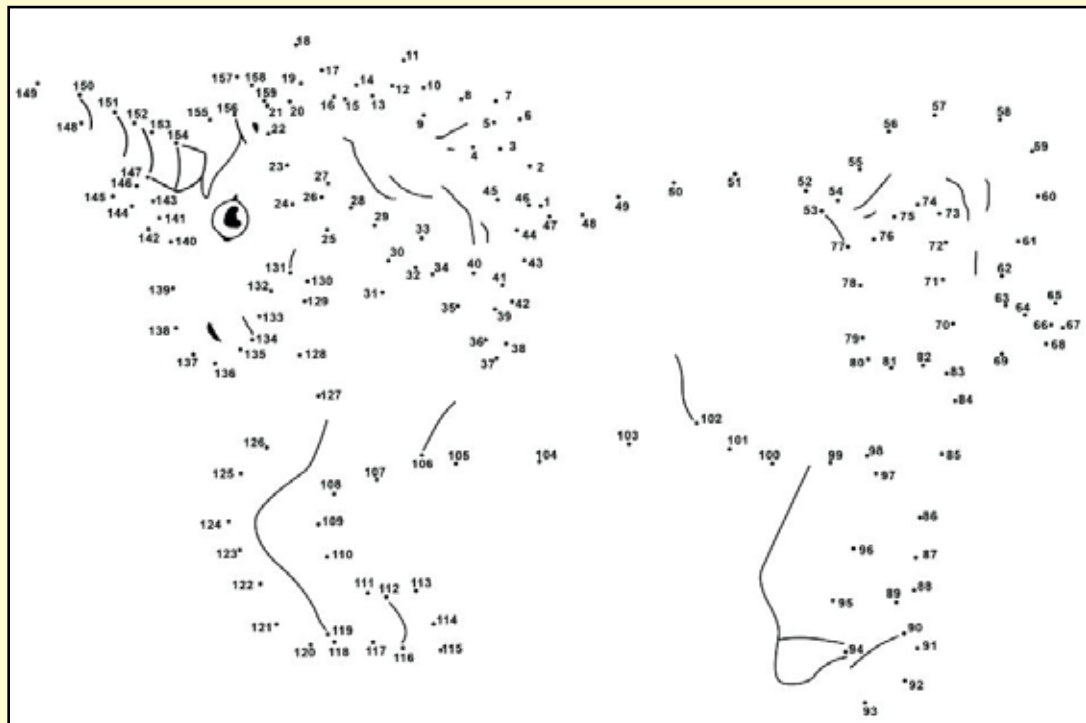
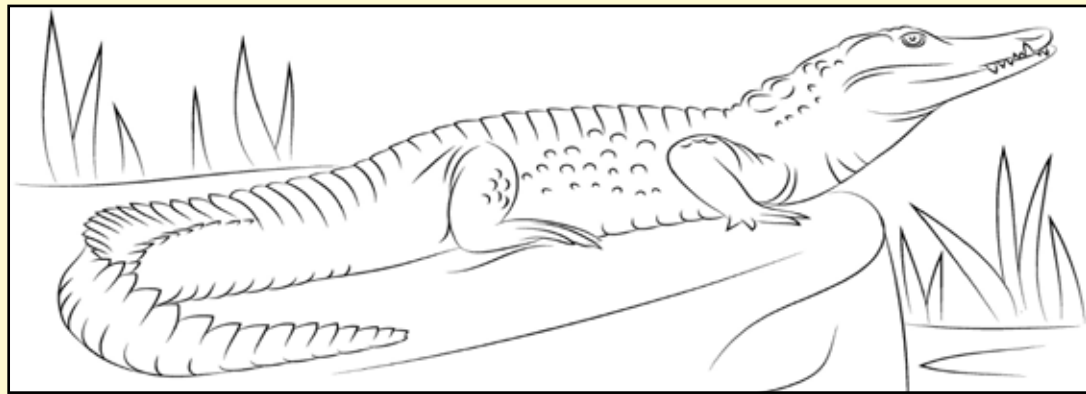
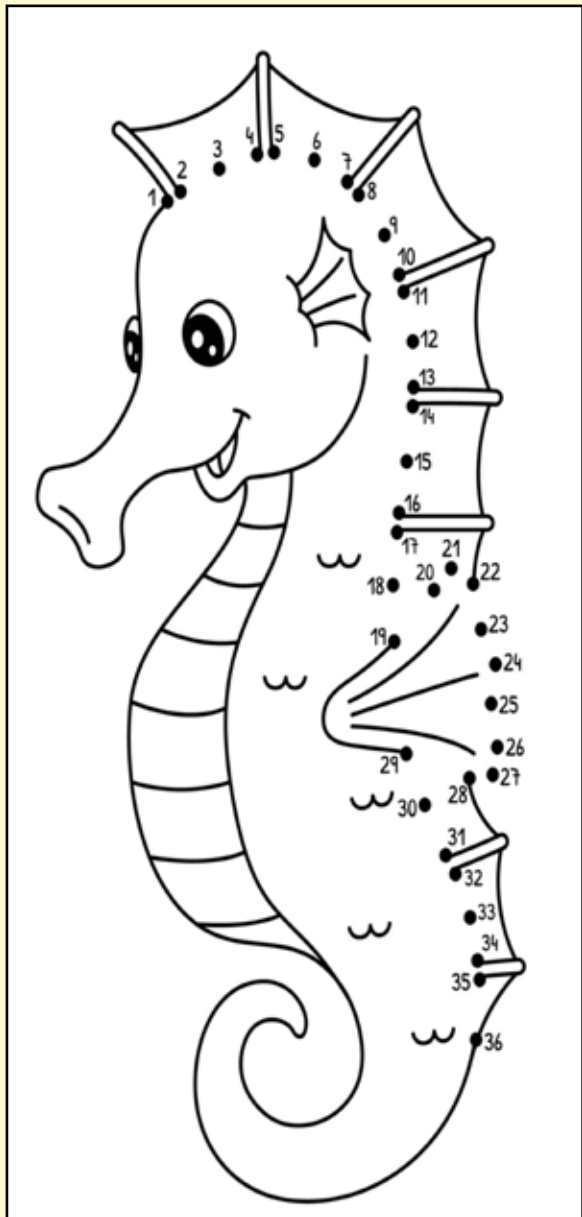
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Cumbria's Police and Crime Commissioner, Peter McCall, is encouraging parents to be more mindful about what their children do online.

As technology evolves, children spend more time online via tablets, phones and laptops for example, which gives online criminals more opportunity to exploit young people. Perpetrators may target children by encouraging them to share nude images of themselves, blackmail with threats to expose these images to their friends and family, with the purpose of gaining sexual favours in return.

Some tips to help keep your child safe online are: Place parental controls on devices for younger children to ensure they cannot access adult content or sites. Set limits around appropriate websites and time spent online. Have an open conversation with your children about what is and is not appropriate to share online e.g., address, school or images of any kind with those they don't know. Check any new app or website that your child asks for, to make sure it is appropriate.



More tips and advice can be found online at www.getsafeonline.org

Cumbria's Police and Crime Commissioner, Peter McCall, said: "The internet can be a wonderful tool, but it can also be dangerous to those who are vulnerable. As technology advances, our children

will spend more time online and, as parents, it is our responsibility to make sure they are safe as possible and know what they are up to. Just because our children are in our sight does not mean that they are safe from criminals. Online criminals can use fake profiles, the promise of material objects and 'romantic' gestures to lure young people offline and to meet in person. No one wants to see their children be abused, so it is essential that we use the tools and information available to help us protect our family.

By knowing what platforms our children are on and who they are talking to, we can monitor what they are up to. Putting child safety restrictions in place can also prevent our children from visiting potentially risky websites and apps.

The best way to protect our children is to speak to them about the potential dangers online, what is and is not appropriate to share online and warn them about people who may be out to hurt them. It is also important to make sure they feel comfortable and safe enough to raise their concerns to you when they or a friend is talking to someone online that may not be honourable. I fund the Cyber and Digital Crime Unit in Cumbria to focus on cyber-crime, help catch criminals and protect victims that have been targeted by online offenders. They do a fantastic job that can prove difficult, as online crime can take place anywhere in



the world. This is why prevention and education are key for online safety. I also commission Get Safe Online in Cumbria to provide information and training sessions to groups in Cumbria and urge anyone who is worried about their child's online safety, to visit www.getsafeonline.org to learn more about how you can protect your children as best you can. If you believe that your child or someone they know is involved in child sexual exploitation, either as a victim or a perpetrator, please report it to the police immediately on 101 or 999 in an emergency."

Detective Chief Inspector James Yallop, Cumbria Constabulary's Public Protection Unit, said: "We would encourage all parents and guardians to continue to talk to their children about online safety. Knowing what your child is viewing online or who they are engaging with is vital. There are criminals who will look to exploit young people and will aim to contact them via various means, this includes online chatrooms, gaming networks and other social media apps. Our officers and PCSOs continue to work with schools and youth clubs to engage with young people and bring to their attention the dangers which can lurk online. Regularly speaking to your child about their online activity, such as you would in asking them how their school day had gone, is a positive way of being aware of what they are doing online and may encourage them to raise any concerns with you directly. For more information on online safety, I'd encourage parents to visit our website where you can learn more about the devices children use and how you can help keep them safe."

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RIMINI Arrives at Silloth From Amsterdam

Report & Photos by:
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March saw a new visitor to Silloth Dock with the arrival of general cargo vessel RIMINI. The small privately owned freighter looked to be maintained in good order in its blue and red livery.

It was a blustery morning as RIMINI made her way up the Solway in preparation to enter port. Thankfully, for ship enthusiasts sheltering from the wind, brightness developed amongst the grey skies as the ship made final adjustments before approaching the dock entrance. Once the decision's been made

to proceed into the dock there's no going back. Navigating the narrow entrance requires skill and local knowledge from pilot and crew.

At 87 metre in length, RIMINI is typical of the size and design of ship calling at Silloth. The full load of fertiliser had been taken onboard in Amsterdam. Cargo is carried deep in the ship's hold where it is protected from the elements by watertight hatch covers. The Dutch owned ship is one of a small fleet operated by the relatively new shipbroking

company 'ERA Chartering.' The company flag could be seen flying from the bow mast as the ship approached, while the Union Jack was flying as a sign of courtesy from the foreign registered ship. The Dutch tricolour at the stern completed a full set of flags.

The ship had made good progress when sailing from Amsterdam, reaching Silloth in under three days. The crew would have little time for rest as the ship was quickly unloaded and made ready for departure to Belfast the following day.



March Shipping at the Port of Silloth

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

March

15th Furness Abbey from Barrow carrying out survey work and then on to Whitehaven.

22nd Rimini from Amsterdam with a cargo of Fertiliser then on to Belfast.

28th Mia Sophie-B from Hamburg with a cargo of Fertiliser then on to Belfast.

I am now back in office after a few weeks in hospital in Turkey, enjoying the warm and having some private surgery done on my eyes.

Now eye can see again, I can report that we had two commercial vessels in March, the Rimini and the Mia Sophie B (a repeat vessel) both carrying fertiliser for Origin and the local farming community.

These were both smaller cargoes than normal, just over 2,000 tonnes each but it's a help for us.

Our fishing fleet continues to use us as a base for operations and carry out maintenance on their vessels.

The Furness Abbey arrived to carry out some survey work for us, she is owned by ABP and has done some ploughing in the entrance to Marshall dock as well as before and after surveys of the seabed. I

am looking forward to seeing the results in paper format, although the view from the window is much nicer!

Our visiting vessel owners will be happy as we are now also renewing all the fendering in the port. We recycle truck tyres and hang them from chains, these tyres then get a further 10 to 20 years of life here at the dock on top of their 2-3 years on a truck.

Around the port we have had some contractors in carrying out repair works to dock walls, coping stones and now working on the Marshall dock entrance stonework to improve both the structural integrity of the port and also the aesthetics. We look forward to these works being completed in April.

Further works have been the replacement of the fencing at the edge of Marshall dock, across to Solway Logistics land, this removes some very old and tatty looking fence that was falling apart. In addition, the fencing from the Grain store to the weighbridge has been re-instated back to the road line where it used to be. The fence was moved around 10 years ago to allow the import of some wind farm parts for our local community near Dryholme Farm.

Spring has sprung and the lambs

are mostly up and running, ours are due this week, so fingers crossed that the weather will be kind to them and let them all get a good start.



Take a Look At Silloth Motorcycle Museum!

The Silloth Motorcycle Museum hosts a collection of race and road bikes and oddities, lots of memorabilia from early days to modern.

We have had great feedback from visitors from South Korea to Silloth and the rest of the world and United Kingdom.

The collection took over 40 years to assemble, the opportunity to open was created when my Mum, Margaret Snaith closed her pot and pan shop which she ran for 35 years.

The Racing bikes were ones Jim raced for 40 years in the UK, Isle of Man and Daytona USA.

Come in and chat to Jim Snaith or Colin Chatt (and he can) if you love motorcycles, you can drift away into your memories, even if you don't like bikes come and look at the shiny colours.

Hot and cold drinks are available to take away or sit and enjoy the surroundings.

The restoration room was my Mam's kitchen, there is usually something on the go. I first started building motorcycles in my Mam's kitchen when I was 11, so I have gone full circle.

We first started the museum not particularly about me but to pay homage to the racing circuit in Silloth. Which ran from July 1964 to 1982. We have most of the programs to look at, we still get riders from the day, some being racing legends. We also have trophies and photos from those races.

Everyone is welcome



Silloth Tide Tables

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This years Banty Trot champion is Mr Peter Cusack.

Peter proved to be a cut above the rest this season with the most consistent golf he has ever played. The competition was held over the whole winter season.

Over a reduced course of twelve holes the ever popular Banty Trot competition is becoming more popular and competitive every year. Runner up was Jimmy Reay who blew up on the last day and simply couldn't handle the pressure.

A massive thank you must go to Lenny Hodgins for running the competition and keeping the scores up to date, he can wear his gift of a Banty Trot shirt with pride.



Lenny Hodgins receiving his gift for running the competition



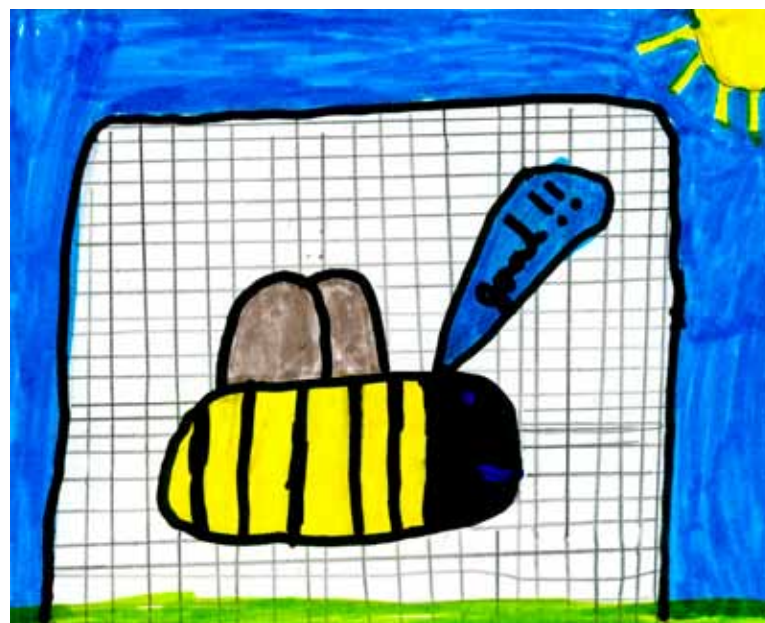
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