

Solway Mexico Link cont'd



Dignitaries & guests at the welcome ceremony

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A Ceilidh was held at the school on the Wednesday evening, this was a great success with everyone thoroughly enjoying the dancing, bagpipe playing and demonstration of sword dancing. The bar was provided by Shona of the RAFA Club.

A Karaoke was arranged by Mr Crawford for the Friday evening and Mayor Allison kindly gave a room at the Albion for the event along, with a wonderful supper. One highlight of the evening was the presenting of a beautifully decorated cake, made by Mrs Caulfield, especially for the occasion. Delicious!

The last day of the visit was another memorable day with a visit to Caerlaverock Castle, with lunch at the Hazeldene Hotel, and a tour of the Old Blacksmith Shop at Gretna Green. In keeping with tradition, three of our couples were married over the anvil and much to our amazement

and amusement were congratulated by visiting tourists!

As the fortnight has started, so it ended, in the Golf Hotel. A difficult parting, as our friends had over the two weeks truly become part of our lives. Auld Lang Syne was sung on the street corner and eventually after many hugs and tears we said goodbye.

Now a couple of weeks later, looking back on what was an incredible fortnight, the culmination of 18 months planning, it is still difficult to assess the impact the exchange visits have had on ourselves and our communities.

Certainly our lives will never be the same again, the friendships forged are still going strong with the chat lines red hot on most evenings! The changed outlook of all our young people involved, never again will they look at someone from another culture and assume they know what they are going to be like.

The Solway Mexico Link has only just begun.

Christ Church with St Pauls

Many of our activities have not been taking place over the summer holidays. They will be resuming when the school term starts.

Mums and Minis: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 1.30pm  
Youth clubs: Pebbles: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 4.15pm  
7-Ups: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 5.00pm  
Bulldogs: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 6.15pm  
Uppers: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 6.15pm  
Upper uppers: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm

All these will take place in Christ Church Hall. Contact person: David Pigeon

Monday evening Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm, in the Vicarage. This is open to members of all the churches and all are welcome to join us. At the first meeting we will be planning out our studies for the next session of meetings. Contact person: Alan Byrom

Chataround Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 7.00pm, venue as arranged. A group for ladies who meet to discuss issues that are important in life today, and how the Christian faith relates to them. Contact person: Barbara Todd

Champion Showjumper



Douglas Bowman presenting saddle Malcolm Mason

Malcolm Mason of Abbeytown and his horse Shady Canadian topped off a highly successful winter season of showjumping when they won a beautiful saddle at Greenlands Equestrian Centre near Carlisle.

The season should have been completed some weeks ago, but suspense was maintained for a little while longer when it had to be postponed. Class sponsor Dougie Bowman of Lowther Equestrian presented the saddle to Malcolm, who's perhaps better known locally as the main man in country band Lemon Grass.

Malcolm and Shady Canadian (who's known as Max at home) are now being sponsored by local feedmerchant Montgomerie Feeds.

Xmas Lights Sponsored Walk

There is to be a sponsored walk from Silloth to Maryport along the beach.

All money collected will go towards the costs of maintenance and electricity for Silloth Christmas Lights.

Departure from outside the Albion Inn on Saturday 13th September at 8am.

There will be a stop for light refreshments at Allonby.

ALL WELCOME. For further information phone Silloth 31687.



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