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Silloth Rotary Club

Report by:
Geoff Betsworth

The Annual Rotary Golf Competition organized by Rotarian Joe Campbell was held on 17th July and proved a big draw to players from as far away as Edinburgh. Although the weather was none too bright the competitors the organizers did well and a substantial amount was raised for local charities.

On 5th August, Silloth Rotary Club held its annual "Senior Citizen's Coach Outing", which went to the historic south Cumbrian market town of Ulverston. Driving

club would also like to publicly thank him for his unstinting efforts every year in arranging these two events.

Many of your readers will have noticed that the Rotary Tree on the Green has now been enhanced by a wrought iron protective fence and a paved plinth in the shape of a "Rotary" cogged wheel. All being well, the tree and plinth will become firmly established over the next few months, in time to celebrate the 100 years of the "Rotary Club" in February 2005.

Silloth Rotary Club is continuing its appeal for donations of any



Jimmy Watson receiving a token of appreciation from Fausto Previtali

down the scenic route through the lakes, a comfort break was taken at Hayes Garden Centre before finally arriving at Ulverston on market day. Returning later up the motorway, the party were entertained with a dinner at the "White Heather" at Kirkbride. It may be of

unwanted mobile phones or pairs of spectacles, which can then be re-cycled for use in third world countries. If you can help with this appeal, please bring your items to the Golf Hotel, or pass them on to a known Rotary Club member. Many thanks for your assistance.



'Gang Leader' Joe Campbell hard at work

interest to your readers to know that this was in fact the 20th coach outing that has been organised by one of Silloth Rotary Club's founder members, Jimmy Watson. Jimmy also organises the Rotary Club "Pensioners Sing-Along" every year at the Social Club in Silloth. During supper at the White Heather President Fausto Previtali presented Jimmy with a token of appreciation from all at Silloth Rotary. The members of the

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The Buzz from the Police

Report by:
Inspector Dave Barr

In the past few months we have had a number of thefts of quad bikes from farms and motorbikes from garages.

We believe that the thieves are touring an area, identifying where these items are kept and then coming back, usually in the early hours of the morning.

To reduce these incidents we are asking that house holders do not keep their garage doors open longer than is necessary, as this is providing the thieves the opportunity to see what is stored there. Also, farmers should take as many steps as they can to secure their quad bikes. Keeping them in secured stone built buildings where possible, and not leaving them with keys in. Anyone seeing unusual activity around farms is asked to contact their local police on 01900 602422.

During the better weather and with the arrival of school holidays, we are receiving more reports of motorcycles and quads, particularly being driven on the beach around Allonby and Mawbray. Often this activity is both illegal and annoying

to others using the beaches.

Police are particularly interested in the registration numbers of vehicles which are seen to be loading and unloading these motorbikes and quads.. Our intention is to trace these people and follow up on their illegal activities. A plan is also being formulated for officers in plain clothes to visit the area and record on video illegal off-road driving activities, which will be evidence used to prosecute offenders.

Solfest 2004.

This is a Musical Festival, which will be held at Tarns over the weekend of the 3rd to 5th September. Police at Wigton have been a party to the planning of this event since the start of the year. We have given advice on issues such as a drugs policy. We have also visited the site with one of the organizers; Simon Kay, and given advice on security.

Police have agreed to assist with the safe passage of traffic on the road leading to the site. They will patrol the site twice a day together with the site Duty Manager, they will also assist the Stewards to deal with incidents of disorder when requested.

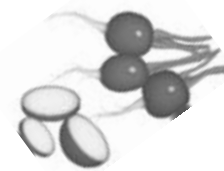
Silloth Health Matters

The Silloth Health Matters Support Group was set up to tackle some of the health issues in the Silloth area.

Since it was set up the support group has initiated and/or funded various health projects in the area including:

- A Veggie Box Scheme
- Baby Massage Training
- An Arthritis Awareness Workshop
- A Sexual Health Course for Teenagers
- A Bursary Scheme for Training in Childcare
- A Health Promotion Day

Meetings are held quarterly on the last Friday in the month and last for about an hour. If you would like your organisation to be involved please contact Margaret Snaith at her shop in Solway Street or Pat Ackred on 01900 325013.



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