

Letters

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Dear Buzz,

I would like to complement Brian Irwin and friends of the Denton Model Group for the excellent slide presentation on Silloth and the Silloth railway held in the Heritage Centre. The meeting was well attended by all ages. Mr Huggan made the evening most interesting with his knowledge of the area and his large variety of slides. The reason for the presentation was that it is 40 years since the railway line to Carlisle closed due to the Beeching axe. This meant that for the younger people this was a first class history lesson and for the rest of us a reminder of how things used to be. Thanks also to Val Irwin for preparing the hall and the tea and biscuits.

Lawrence Marshall

Dear Buzz,

With reference to your article from John Jackson Brown from Somerset in the October/November issue of the Solway Buzz, I'm afraid he is wrong about the two girls on the Humber car. It was not the Carnival Queen, but the Silloth Beach Girl and her deputy, I was the Beach Girl and my name was then Audrey Steele, now Lomas and my deputy was June Ross, now Wise. We both still live in Silloth. I think the Humber Car may have belonged to the local photographer in Silloth by the name of Downie, he had a shop in Wampool Street, Silloth, where the cut price shop is now.

Audrey Lomas

Dear Buzz,

Clare and Barrie would like to thank everyone who gave them gifts and cards on the birth of their son Keenan in April 2004, they were very much appreciated. Also a special thank you to grandma and granda for their love and support.

Clare Faulder and Barrie Musgrave (now at Maryport)



Lisa Bee
by Lorna de Mello
aged 5 from
Holme St. Cuthbert School

Dear Buzz,

Thank you to the Buzz and Silloth Regeneration Partnership for the donation of the laptop computer. The main purpose for the computer is to use as a database of all contact info, etc, of members of Silloth Rugga Club. I would just like to say a big thank-you to all the people who donated towards the laptop, the monies raised from donations will be spent on computer programmes and games. A big big thank you to the following Spar of silloth The Flower Festival Joe and Betty Campbell Mr J McNeil Silloth Rugby Club The Rotary Club Cumberland Building Society Mary Hillhouse Thomson Roddick and Laurie

The Rugga Club



Football Player Bee
by Scott Garrett
aged 9
from Silloth Primary School

Dear Buzz,

I would like to thank the various people and companies that sponsored myself for running the Great North Run. I completed the run in a slower time than last year but hope to make amends in the Cumbrian Run. I raised over £320 for The Great North Air Ambulance and would like to thank the following companies and people: Cavaghan & Gray Carlisle, Yates Brewery, Carr's Flour Mill, Cumberland Building Society, The Spar Shop Silloth, Silloth Rugby Club and patrons, The Cumberland Inn Silloth, my mam and dad, Willy Townsley and all the night shift workers in Eastern Way 1 & 3 Carlisle. Many Thanks,

David Bell

Dear Buzz,

First of all, I like trees but not the state they are in the town "they are a disgrace" sheer neglect over the years. Why can they not be lopped (the long branched) as used to happen. The height they are now is "ridiculous" plus street lamps in places blocked by the leaves with roots of some trees lifting the tarmacadam not to mention the abundance of leaves lying around. The town now has only one road sweeper, to me it is very unfair on him, surely others must feel as I do. Hopefully something can be done in the near future, as the streets have become a disgrace these last few weeks.

Olga Wood

Dear Buzz,

Two weeks ago a family in the Crofts had their house torched in the early hours of the morning. The family got out of the house in the nick of time as they were awake by the smell of smoke, everything they had was lost by either the fire itself or by smoke damage. We would like to thank all our neighbours and friends who have helped us over the last few weeks in our time of need. We much appreciate all the gifts and household items that have been donated to us since that terrible morning. All the neighbours and friends could not have done anymore for us as they bent over backwards to help. We would also like to thank the Fire Service & Police for their help. Thanks everybody for just being there.

Sandra & James Satterthwaite & family

Dear Buzz,

Silloth Community Craft Show would like to thank everyone who entered their Towns and Cities Quiz. The lucky winner was Mrs Sylvia Robertson. We hope she enjoyed spending her M&S voucher.

Audrey Maddison

Dear Buzz,

In a recent edition of The Buzz you featured a letter and photograph relating to a carnival many years ago. I very much doubt the carnival queen would be allowed to parade around the streets in an open topped car dressed in a bathing costume. This is more likely to be a photo of the Bathing Beauty at that time. Next year is the 30th anniversary of the Round Table re-establishing sports day in Silloth which later progressed to the Carnival that we all know today. To mark this occasion we would like to collect as much information as possible relating to early carnivals, e.g. after the war. We do have some names and dates but would appreciate more information and/or photos that anyone may have hidden away. Silloth Carnival is one of the main events of the town each year and is organised by just a few people, extra help of any kind would be very much appreciated. The cost increases each year and this years' cost almost £5,000 with a small profit of approximately £50 being made to set us off for next year. As next year is such a special one, let's celebrate the past 30 years in style.

Audrey Maddison

Police Report

Report by:
Inspector Dave Barr

Crime prevention

There is a continuing theme to the type of crime being committed in the rural areas. Thieves are continuing to target sheds, outbuildings and farms. They are particularly after quad bikes, tools and gardening equipment.

Now that the winter is upon us, if gardening equipment can be stored securely and out of sight, it could prevent an unpleasant discovery in the spring. There has also been a rise in the number of thefts of diesel. (Most recently from a local school). Thieves are taking quantities up to 500 litres at a time.

Anyone seeing any suspicious activity: such as vans or lorries, or hear the sound of pumping or electrical motors in locations where diesel is kept, is asked to contact the Police immediately, regardless of time. (Many incidents happen under the cover of darkness).

If you suspect a crime is in progress dial 999.

There have been a number of sad deaths on the roads in our area in the past few weeks. All of these are being fully investigated and the findings will be made public at inquests and if the circumstances dictate, at court proceedings.

One fact is clear, and marks us out from other areas of the force, is that the majority of incidents involve people who are "local" to this part of the County. That suggests that people may be lulled into a false sense of security and belief that they "know the roads".

Dear Buzz,

Can your readers help?

I am interested in Silloth's Shipping, past and present, and am keen to find any photographs of ships in the port which have been taken over the years, particularly any by Silloth photographer J J Martin which were turned into postcards. If anyone can help I would be very grateful.

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Now that we have darker nights, leaves on the road and the prospect of ice and frost, the message has to be to keep up levels of vigilance, to always drive being aware of prevailing conditions,

and within the speed limits.

Finally. Christmas is just around the corner and so is the Police drink driving campaign. At Wigton

nick, Santa has come early, and we have just increased our stock of breath test devices, so we have one in every vehicle out on patrol....

On behalf of all the police officers and support staff in the North Allerdale / Solway Buzz area, we wish you a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.



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