

## Mothers Union 40th Birthday Party

Despite the devastating fire Holm Cultram Abbey branch of the Mothers Union celebrated their 40th Birthday with a party.

Unable to use the Abbey the venue was moved to Abbeytown Assembly Rooms but otherwise everything went ahead as planned. There were three members invited from every M.U. branch in Solway Deanery, as well as all the members from the link branch at St. James, Whitehaven. Diocesan President, Elizabeth Walton, was also present.

Branch Leader, Maureen Gibson welcomed everyone. Rev. David Tembey talked of how uplifted he and Lynne were by the cards, letters and messages of love and support they had received from all over the diocese and beyond. Lynne and Elizabeth lead the prayers of re-dedication. Freda Garner a founder member talked of the history of the branch and gave several examples of how the M.U. play an important role in the life of the church. Donald Foster played the piano for the hymns. As there are only two founder members still living in the village Elizabeth presented cards to Freda Garner and Elsie Foster to remind them of the occasion. Elizabeth Walton then



L-R: Freda Garner, Elizabeth Walton, Elsie Foster

thanked Holm Cultram for inviting everyone to share their celebrations and reminded all of the World Wide Fellowship of the M.U. with 3.5 million members throughout the world. There is always someone somewhere praying for all the other members. Holm Cultram members then served a lovely

buffet enjoyed by everyone, a beautiful birthday cake, made and decorated by Susan Turnbull (daughter of Branch Secretary Noeline Foster) was cut by the two founder members and distributed with wine to toast the health and future prosperity of Holm Cultram Abbey Mothers Union.

## Florists Special 'Occasion'



Silloth florists 'Occasion' has recently celebrated its eighth anniversary of trading in the town.

The business was started by local sisters Gillian Johnstone and Janet Ferguson at 13 Station Road in 1998. In 2004 Silloth couple Eileen and John Slack moved the business two doors up the street to 9 Station Road. Eileen

## Pensioners Annual Strawberry Tea



Mrs Monkhouse, Mrs Mccutcheon and Mrs Reeves

Report by:  
Derek & Diana Shaw

On Saturday 1st July the Silloth & District Pensioners held their Annual Strawberry Tea in St. Andrews Hall. What a pleasant afternoon it was and nice to see everyone enjoying their strawberries and cream.

said "Silloth did not have its own florists when Janet and Gillian opened Occasions, there was nowhere to buy bouquets, wedding flowers, funeral wreaths, flower baskets or arrangements. The shop has proved to be a successful asset to the town thanks to the patronage and loyalty of local people. A small business depends on

Various Committee Members brought fresh flowers for the table from their gardens, making the tables very attractive. The Cake Stall was well stocked and did brisk trade, the Bric a Brac and book stall had lots of customers. The Raffle had 12 lucky winners and the event raised £248 for

funds.

Thanks to the Committee and the ladies who gave up their Saturday Afternoon to help make the Afternoon a success.

The Anniversary Coffee Morning will take place in the Recreation Hall on Saturday 2nd September at 10am

local support in order to survive and we are extremely grateful for this continuing support from the people of Silloth".

Of course as well as fresh flowers Occasions stocks a large range of silk flowers and trees (they are so life like it is difficult to tell the fresh from the silk!). A hire service is in operation

for the silk trees for weddings and other "Occasions", the trees can be decorated in the customer's choice of colours or theme.

Occasions also offer an ordering service for fresh flowers, two or three days notice is all that is required for delivery into the shop on a Monday or a Wednesday.

## Fletcher's Fun Fair



### Variety of Rides for all ages

The Fun Fair will be at the Christmas Lights switching-on ceremony in Silloth on Friday 26th November

The Switch-On is at 6pm

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