Mayors Report

Report by: Graham Wilkinson

The Council does not hold a monthly meeting in August due to members being away on holiday. However, this does not mean things come to a halt. Our Town Clerk "Wendy" continues her duties dealing with the mail and phone calls, relaying urgent matters to Councillors, etc., when needed.

In the past month William Stephenson from The Crofts took up employment with the Council as a Trainee/ Apprentice Groundsman to work alongside Ken and Joe.

On a personal note I had the pleasure of welcoming the riders taking part in the Hadrian Cycle Run when they started out on their run to Carlisle, on the 19th July.

On the 6th August

a Civil Service was held in Christ Church attended by the following dignitaries from the area. The Mayor and Consort of Copeland, the Mayor and Consort of Workington, the Mayor and Mayoress of Wigton and the Deputy Mayor of Maryport. Apologies were received from the Mayor of Allerdale and the Mayor of Aspatria. After a lovely service the guests enjoyed refreshments with the congregation.

Later the same day we attended the Food & Drink Festival arranged by S.T.A.G. in the Solway Coast Discovery Centre, which was well attended by both visitors and locals, see separate report in the Solway Buzz.

We now look forward to the Carnival & The Red Arrows, hoping for lovely weather on the day.

Ayrshire Judging at Plasket Lands



For the first time in 20 years the Cumberland **Ayrshire Breeders** Club held an evening meeting on the 31st July at Plasket Lands, Holme St Cuthberts, where the well known Ayrshire herd is farmed by the Armstrong family (formerly Strickland).

After a long dry spell a showery evening did not put a dampener on the events. A good attendance of members from near and far ensured plenty of competition for senior and junior competitors. The Master judge was Mr John Trafford who gave a descriptive reason of the order he placed the Cows and Heifers. Also congratulating Joe & Kathleen Armstrong who celebrated their Golden Wedding on the 27th July. After the Judging the results were

announced by Mr Frank Mattinson. A Barbecue was prepared by Chef Richard Teasdale of Bothel which was thoroughly enjoyed by

To round off the evening an Ayrshire Heifer calf (Nannette 48) which would be kept on the farm for a while, wearing a label 'I Want to Support the Abbey Fund' and was born on the Golden Wedding day was offered for sale by Auction in Aid of the Abbey Fund. The Auctioneer being Mr J Trafford, after spirited bidding the sum of £250 was raised by top bidder Mr John Whiteford of Brampton.

In attendance was Rev David Tembey who gratefully received the donation for the **Restoration Fund** and also thanked the

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donators for their prize money. He also said how much he and Lynne had enjoyed partaking in the event.

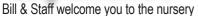
A vote of thanks was given to the Armstrong family by Adam Fawcett from Blencarn. Senior Results

1st Robert Murray 2nd Frank Mattinson 3rd John Whiteford **Juniors** 1st John Longworth 2nd Mike Armstrong 3rd Amy Armstrong 4th James Williams 5th Laura Armstrong.

The potato competition

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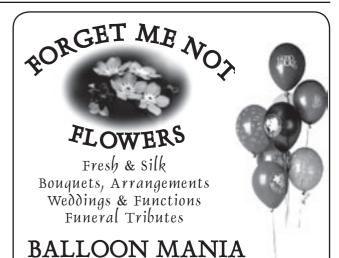
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