## Unlicensed Taxi in Silloth

An anonymous complaint about a 'dirty and smelly' taxi has led to the successful prosecution of two men in relation to the operation of an unlicensed taxi.

At a hearing on 5th September West Allerdale Magistrates heard how, on 24th April and following a complaint made to the Council regarding Select Cabs of Silloth, a Council officer visited Silloth and observed a Select Cabs vehicle, registered as a licensed hackney carriage but not showing the correct signage.

As the Council officer was looking at the vehicle, he was approached by Robert Tinnion who gave his address as Pica Cottages, Pica, the driver of the vehicle, who asked if he needed a taxi. Investigations revealed that Mr Tinnion was not licensed to drive a hackney carriage and subsequent enquiries revealed that the vehicle was not insured for Mr Tinnion to drive it for business use.

The following day, 25th April, the Council officer returned to Silloth and again witnessed Mr Tinnion in the driving seat of the same vehicle. Stanley Glover of Pica Cottages, Pica, proprietor of Select Cabs and the licensed hackney carriage admitted knowing that Mr Tinnion had driven the vehicle whilst unlicensed as a hackney carriage driver and uninsured. Mr Tinnion was charged with driving a hackney carriage whilst unlicensed and for driving a hackney carriage without insurance. Both matters were proved in

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his absence. The case was adjourned to 3rd October with a view to disqualification.

Mr Glover pleaded guilty to the charges of aiding and abetting Robert Tinnion to drive a hackney carriage when not a licensed driver and to permit or cause Mr Tinnion to drive the hackney carriage without insurance on 24th April. Mr Glover was fined £200 and given six penalty points. Mr Glover also pleaded guilty to the charges of aiding and abetting Robert Tinnion to drive a hackney carriage when not a licensed driver and to permit or cause Mr Tinnion to drive the hackney carriage without insurance on 25th April. Mr Glover received no separate penalty but was given a further six penalty points and was ordered to pay costs of £75. The Magistrates accepted that disqualification would cause Mr Glover exceptional hardship and ordered that he should not be disqualified from driving.

### You're Never Too Old

Report by: Robert Williamson

A former pupil who attended Silloth Secondary School between 1968 and 1973 recently graduated from **St Martins** College, Lancaster, at the respectably mature age of 49 years.

Jean A Addison (nee Williamson) who is married to Martin R Addison, who also attended Silloth Secondary, was presented with her BSc in Nursing Studies and Specialist Practitioner in Adult Surgical Nursing award at Lancaster University on 18th July 2006.

Jeannie, as she is commonly called commenced her nursing

career immediately after leaving school. She became a nursing Infirmary, Carlisle, where she is currently a

cadet at the Cumberland Senior Sister in Surgical Pre-operative assessment.

King Bee by Paul Blackburn

Holme St. Cuthbert School

aged 9 from

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are also providing for poor children.

We are now taking orders for Christmas cakes, so please contact Sarah: 016973 32089 or Edith: 016973 31607 or Sue: 016973 32341.



# Pretty Bee by Jade Varley aged 6 from Tarnside Caravan Park



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#### INFLUENZA VACCINATION (FLU)

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Come To Our Drop In Clinics At The Surgery Friday 20th Oct 9am To 12pm Friday 3rd Nov 9am To 12pm

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#### SURGERY CLOSURE Please note that the Surgery will be closed between 1-5pm on:

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#### DR. DARREN HYMERS

Dr. Hymers is due to join our practice at the beginning of October and is looking forward to serving our community and becoming part of the team. I am sure you are with us in wishing him all the very best in his new job and also that he enjoys being here for many years to come.

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#### **Collection of Prescriptions**

Please allow 24 hours before collecting your repeat prescription from the Surgery Allow 48 hours if collecting from the Chemist

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We are now offering telephone consultations with the GP of your choice. If you want general advice or have a query regarding your health nd feel that a trip to the surgery isn't necessary then the receptionist would be only too happy to book a time for you. Please note however that due to the pressure of work we may not be able to ring you back at a specific time.

#### **Cancelling Appointments**

Unfortunately we are still encountering a large number of patients who are not cancelling their appointments when they are no longer required. Therefore we are losing what amounts to over half a day of appointments per week.

Please could we ask that any appointment that is not required is cancelled.

#### Please note:

- ▶ Please cancel any appointment that is no longer required
  - ► Please ring after 10am regarding results
- ► All samples need to be handed into the surgery before 11:30am as these are collected by the hospital at 12 noon.
- ▶ Open Surgery runs from 3.30pm to 4:30pm This is for consultations that can be treated quickly and not for long-term conditions.
  - Please try to ring before 10am if you require a Home Visit.