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FANTASTIC SILLOTH Carnival Beer Festival





Unlicensed Taxi in Silloth

his absence. The case

was adjourned to 3rd

guilty to the charges

not a licensed driver

Mr Tinnion to drive

the hackney carriage

without insurance on

was fined £200 and

guilty to the charges

not a licensed driver

Mr Tinnion to drive

the hackney carriage

without insurance on

received no separate

penalty but was given

a further six penalty

points and was ordered

to pay costs of £75. The

would cause Mr Glover

ordered that he should

not be disqualified from

exceptional hardship and

Magistrates accepted

that disqualification

25th April. Mr Glover

and to permit or cause

of aiding and abetting

Robert Tinnion to drive

a hackney carriage when

24th April. Mr Glover

given six penalty points.

Mr Glover also pleaded

and to permit or cause

of aiding and abetting

Robert Tinnion to drive

a hackney carriage when

disqualification.

October with a view to

Mr Glover pleaded

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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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 cadet at the Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle, where she is currently a Senior Sister in Surgical Pre-operative assessment.

King Bee by Paul Blackburn aged 9 from Holme St. Cuthbert School

Home-Made Christmas Cakes

We are making Christmas cakes again with the proceeds going to charity. The cakes will be round or square and various sizes.

The money we raise from the cake sales will be donated to a children's charity. There are thousands of children without a home, or parents and some are dying daily. Please help the children.

By buying cakes from us, not only do you get a delicious cake for yourself, you

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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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.

You can now order your Prescriptions online or through our Voicemail system

Why not visit our Surgery Website on: www.northcumbriahealth.nhs.uk/silloth

Collection of Prescriptions

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

Telephone Consultations!

We are now offering telephone consultations with the GP of your choice. If you want general advice or have a query regarding your health and 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.

Police Buzz

Report by: Inspector Dave Barr, North Allerdale Local **Policing Team**

The Solway Coast has seen a period of intense activity recently. The Solfest festival at Tarns was a sell out and passed off with no significant incidents. This again is down to the exhaustive planning done by the committee and their volunteers. A stone sign with the Solfest symbol, which disappeared from the site, after a high profile appeal in the local media and on the internet, turned up at Workington Police Station. It will be back again next year.

Silloth carnival was a great success for the town. The park and ride scheme proved its worth. I have written personally to thank John Coward, who was the senior officer in charge of the Special Constables, who gave up their Bank Holiday, to police the event. They put in a long day, on both traffic control and foot patrol. Thanks also to Cumbria Fire Service, who allowed us to use the Fire Station for the day, as our operating base. There were no reported incidents of crime.

The Beer Festival also passed off successfully, with only two minor incidents of drunkenness on the Sunday, and in only one of the incidents had the person been in the marquee. A summer to be proud of, where people showed each other "respect".

Community Hospitals

Report by: Eveline Dugdale

The Joint League of Friends of North Cumbria Community Hospitals have had consultants prepare a report on the best way forward, we have distributed this to the Primary Care Trust, G.P.s and councillors. In return we have asked the P.C.T. if we can see the two consultation documents they've commissioned, but so far we've had no reply. We are still hopeful the P.C.T. will agree to work with all interested parties, but until we see some proposals we're in limbo. Government policy is to promote and improve community hospitals, they've put £750 million aside for this purpose.

A lot is being made of the £17 million deficit but that is only 4% of the total budget, surely this could be sorted without such drastic action.

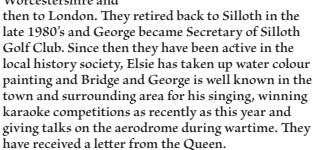
We feel very strongly that all our beds must remain where they are and be fully utilized. We're willing to discuss any other changes which would be beneficial.



by Rachel Thornton aged 7 from Stockton-on-Tees

Diamond Wedding

George and Elsie Doughty celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary on 19th September 2006. They met during the war when they both worked at Silloth aerodrome and were married in Christ Church, Silloth. George Doughty had moved to the area from Nottingham and Elsie Pattinson was the daughter of a Silloth builder. When the aerodrome closed George's job took them first to Pershore in Worcestershire and





Auction of Promises & **Deadline Auction**



L-R: Barbara Hirst, Brenda Sim, Jean Armstrong (organiser), Margaret Gibson, Audrey Harrison & Jean Cross

An Auction of Promises and Deadline Auction was held in aid of the Abbey Appeal, also included was a guess the weight of a fruit loaf made by Mrs Margaret Beaty of Newton field, this was won by Mrs Mary Mattinson of Annanlea at the weight of 7lb. 6oz.

The Auction was held at the White Heather on Friday September 8th, Andrew Wright was the

Deliveries

within

48 hours

auctioneer. This event was very well supported by both Parishioners and Friends from a wide area.

The sum of £9,400 was raised for the refurbishment of the Abbey, following the fire in June. This sum far exceeded expectations, and the PCC would like to express their sincere thanks to all who contributed in any way to this fantastically successful appeal.

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Tuesdays

Bingo - Bowling Club, Eden Street @ 7pm Whist Drive Recreation Hall, Eden Street Playing Field @ 2pm

Wednesdays

Coffee Morning -Silloth Nursing Home @ 10am Bingo - Silloth Social Club, Waver Street @ 7:30pm

Thursdays

Market -Criffel Street 10am to 4pm Whist Drive -

Recreation Hall, Eden Street Playing Field @ 7:30pm

Fridays

Bingo - R.A.F.A. Club @ 7:30pm

Saturdays

Bingo - Silloth Social Club, Waver Street @ 7:30pm Music & Dancing -R.A.F.A. Club, evening

Sundays

Market Criffel Street 10am to 4pm Market & Car Boot -Silloth Airfield 10am to 4pm RNLI - Exercise @ 10am Bingo - Bowling Club, Eden Street @ 7pm

Silloth Library

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Dates for the Diary

September

Patricia & Friends, a Concert in Trinity Methodist Church @ 7:30pm

Harvest Festival Service in Abbeytown Methodist Church @ 6:30pm

Coffee Evening & Sale of Produce in Abbeytown Methodist Church @ 7pm All Welcome

26th Solway Coast Neighbourhood Forum @ 7pm in Holme St. Cuthbert Parish

28th Bird Watching Walk from Silloth Tourist Information Centre @ 11am, or Skinburness Hotel @ 11:15am Tel: 016973 31944

Harvest Thanksgiving Service in Christ Church at 5pm Presentation for Tear Fund: Working against Poverty in Peru

30th Harvest Supper in Christ Church at 6pm Food with a South American flavour. Price: £3

30th One World fashion show in Christ Church at 7pm Clothes for all ages, modelled by all ages! Orders can be taken for clothes on show.

October

Solway Autograss Club meeting on Silloth Airfield starts at 11:30am, entry £4 www.Solway-Autograss.co.uk

Family Harvest Celebration at Christ Church Presentation of Gifts at 10am Contributions from the Chataround group, Youth Clubs and Tots and Toddlers

Distribution of Gifts in Christ Church at 10:30am

Silloth & District Pensioners Coffee Morning in Recreation Hall at 10am

Waver Wine Circle Call my Bluff blind wine tasting Blencogo Village Hall @ 7:30pm

Refuse Collection

For Crunch service dates and locations or to arrange collection of bulky items Tel: 01900 702800.

Silloth RNLI Shop

Silloth Lifeboat Station **Shop Opening Hours**

Sunday - 11am to 4pm Monday - 1pm to 4pm Tuesday - 1pm to 4pm Wednesday - 1pm to 4pm Thursday - CLOSED Friday - 1:30pm to 4:30pm Saturday - 11am to 4pm

Due to a shortage of volunteers, we may not always be able to open. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Copy date for the December issue

If your organisation has an event to promote or you have something to say, please note that the next copy date is:

7th November 2006

October cont'd

20th THE GILBERT AND SULLIVAN SINGERS Fresh from their successful visit to the Causewayhead WI, the singers will be performing at Christ Church at 7pm

21st Silloth Crunch

21st RNLI Supper Dance with the 'Fogey's' playing 50's & 60's music in the Golf Hotel @ 7:30pm, tickets £7.50 inc Pie & Pea Supper

November

Silloth & District Pensioners Christmas Afternoon Tea in St Andrews Hall at 2pm

GUY FAWKES COFFEE AND COMPETITION 10am - 12noon in Christ Church Hall, Morning Coffee plus Cake Stall, Bring and Buy books, 'MAKE-A-GUY' competition for young people under 14

Waver Wine Circle 8th Open Evening Blencogo Village Hall @ 7:30pm

Holme St Cuthbert History Group are hosting 'DOWN THE LINE TO SILLOTH' by well known local historian Mr John Huggon @ 7pm in Mawbray Village Hall, entry £2.50 includes refreshments Mr Huggon will be showing many wonderful slides of old photographs which chart the building of the Carlisle to Silloth line and the development of Silloth and the For further information contact

Karen Simpson 01900 8813535 Country & Western Weekend in Stanwix Park, web:

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November cont'd

17th **Outrageous Comedy** Weekend in Stanwix Park, web: Stanwix.com, tel 016973 32666

Mawbray Village Hall presents the Polyjesters @ 7:30pm. Adults £4, children £2.

18th Silloth Crunch

18th Annual Shopping Trip to Preston. Book: 016973 31013

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19th **Outrageous Comedy** Weekend in Stanwix Park, web: Stanwix.com, tel 016973 32666

25th Silloth & District Pensioners pre-Christmas Party in Stanwix Park Holiday Centre

CHILDREN'S CRAFT 25th AND FILM FUN, 9am - 12noon in Christ Church Hall, 'Make Something for Christmas' Crafts, plus Film: Micah's Christmas Treasure

26th Christmas Craft Fayre in Mawbray Village Hall Home-made Teas 10am to 4pm Tel: Karen: 01900 881353

December

Silloth Methodist - Pop-in Light Christmas Church

Men's Choir Christmas Concert in Christ Church, Silloth

9th Silloth Crunch

10th Silloth Methodist Church - Evening Carol Service

13th Waver Wine Circle Christmas Party Blencogo Village Hall @ 7:30pm

Carol Concert with Flimby Saxhorn Silver Band at 7:30pm in Mawbray Village Hall. Entry £4 includes glass of mulled wine and mince pie

Wigton Choral 16th Society - Christmas Concert in St. Mary's Church, Wigton @ 7:30pm, Details & bookings: 01228 710755

Celebrate the end of 2006 at Mawbray Village Hall New Years Eve Family celebration. Shared supper, bar and disco

Masthead Bee Winner

is Hannah Dubberley from

Silloth Primary with a bee

Well done Lloyd!

called "Witch Bee"

This month the winner

Bee a Masthead Winner

January

10th Waver Wine Circle Games Evening Blencogo Village Hall @ 7:30pm

February

Waver Wine Circle Cheese & Wine Evening Blencogo Village Hall @ 7:30pm

March

Waver Wine Circle White Wine (dry) Competition Blencogo Village Hall @ 7:30pm

April

Waver Wine Circle Annual General Meeting Blencogo Village Hall @ 7:30pm

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Vampire Bee by Joe Gilroy aged 6 from Holm Cultram Abbey School

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Entry is £1 per family and this includes refreshments

All Welcome Call in for a friendly chat

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Mawbray Village Hall

Holme St Cuthbert History Group have the pleasure in hosting a local history talk, 'DOWN THE LINE TO SILLOTH' by well known local historian Mr John Huggon. This is on Thursday 9th November at 7pm in Mawbray village hall, entrance £2.50 includes refreshments, pay on door. Mr Huggon will be showing many wonderful slides and old photos which chart the building of this railway line and the development of Silloth and the docks.

Canadian group the 'Polyjesters' bring their own version of folk, blue grass and good jazz on Friday 17th November at 7:30pm. Bring your own refreshments to this great family entertainment. Price £4, children £2.

The Christmas Market will be held on Sunday 26th November 10-4. Featuring an excellent range of gifts and quality local produce and festive foods. Teas and light refreshments available as usual.

Celebrate the Festive season and join us at a Carol Concert with Flimby Saxhorn Silver Band on Thursday 14th December at 7.30. £4 includes glass of mulled wine and mince pie.

Celebrate the end of 2006 at our New Years

Wigton Arthritis Group

Report by: Gladys Temple

Wigton Arthritis Support Group met at Loveday House on Friday 1st September.

Edna Marper Chairman welcomed everyone, especially Norma and Gladys who were both back after having successful knee replacements. Edna and Jack have both had cataracts removed and are feeling the benefit. Dorothy Watson has had to resign as treasurer due to health problems so Edna asked everyone to consider if they could take over.

Everyone had enjoyed the outing in August to Houghton Garden Centre. There is to be An Expert Patient Course held in Carlisle, five weekly meetings, beginning September 14th. Everyone with a chronic illness is welcome to enrol. Several of our members use the Gym at Water Street each Monday and the Hydro Pool opened again on September 19th.

Edna then introduced **Margaret Armstrong** and June Fearon who brought an assortment of Crystals. A tray of

Eve Family celebration. Shared supper, bar and disco. December 31st.

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around and everyone chose one then June and Margaret moved round explaining the healing properties of each one. Some calming to help relaxation, others invigorating, some help cramp others blood pressure, circulation, gout, cataracts, or depression. Several Members bought items that took their eye. Margaret and June were thanked by Gladys Temple for a very interesting and informative afternoon. Francis Green and Mary Thompson served refreshments helped by Anne Graham. June and Margaret gave five prizes for the raffle and these were won by Dorothy Watson, Francis Green, Fred Wilson, Mary Thompson and Lynda Reay.

various ones was passed

The New Year Party has been booked at the Joiners Arms, Newton Arlosh on 5th January 2007. The next meeting will be on 6th October when we hope to have a speaker on Fairtrade.

Shopping Trip

The annual shopping trip to Preston will be held on Saturday 18th November 2006.

Anyone interested please contact Olga Wood, 1 Petteril Terrace, Silloth or phone 31013. The pick-up locations are Silloth, Abbeytown and Wigton.

Coal Yard Re-opens

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Unfortunately for Mr Barlow, in February 2006 his business went into liquidation and the trading of all coal ceased.

In recent months, Wayne Ferguson (son of the late George F Ferguson) has salvaged the remains of the business and is now fully operational, and trading under the new name of W Ferguson Fuels.

Wayne would like to thank all customers, past and present for their kind support.

He can be contacted on the new telephone number 016973 61038.

Book Signing

"ROMAN SAGA IN SILLOTH"

Staffordshire author, Peter Breakwell, will be signing copies of his book 'Octavian's Chalice' at Bank Mill Nurseries in Beckfoot on Sunday the 22nd and Sunday 29th October between 12 and 1:30pm.

His novel continues where the BBC TV series "ROME" concluded with the death of Julius Caesar. It follows the clashes between Octavian and Marc Antony, as each pursue their ruthless quest for leadership of the Roman Empire... but it's the heroic deeds of a Greek slave that determine their destiny.

Reviews describe the book as "... a compelling and authentic portrayal of the ancient Romans in friendship, love and war...".

Signed paperback copies will be available at £5 each and Peter is making a 50% donation of the proceeds to Bank Mill's chosen charity.

Should any charities in the Silloth area wish to raise funds in this way, please contact Peter on 01900 881134.

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aged 9

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Mayors Report

Unfortunately due to illness I was unable to attend the September meetings of the Town Council, however I will include details with next months when I have read the minutes.

In recent weeks several members of the public have raised concerns with regards to pedestrians having fallen on the uneven pavements around the town. I personally have raised the matter with the Highways Department, who always say the same thing, we have no funds. When I ask about the number of reported falls their reply is there are no records. Can I please ask anyone who falls or knows of any incidents to report the time, date and location preferably in writing.

This can either be via the Town Council which will back up our requests for work to be carried out or write direct to Cumbria Highways, Anthorne House, Irish Street, Maryport. Your final option is the Highways hot line 24hrs on 0845 609 6609. Please do not suffer in silence, if the authority are not aware of the number of people falling they think everything is ok, hence no pressure to do any repairs. Please help yourself and us to get the repairs carried out.

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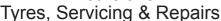
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Solfest 2006



This festival clearly embraces families and children as their own. With an area for babies to sleep and a children's play area that provides a climbing frame, trampoline, table football, stilts, plastic drums and walking puppets, that is to say: as much fun as a child can handle and a reason for the grown-ups to be jealous.

But we needn't worry there is an





abundance of distractions for us grown-ups to play with. The arts are embraced through story telling, enough workshops to shake a welly at and a diverse selection of music. From the perpetual providers of cheese, Disco Du Fromage, the dance tent rolling

out beats, the main would be enough but a stage. This is where we

out months in advance, my advice is to get yours in time to avoid the pain of disappointment in missing out on one of the year's most beautiful and fun festivals.

Abbeytown WI

Report by: Gladys Temple

President Audrey Harrison welcomed everyone and expressed sympathy to the family of Clarice Harrison who was a loyal Member of Abbeytown WI for many years.

Freda agreed to be delegate for the Autumn Council Meeting at Greenhill. Elinor Roper has been busy knitting Birundi Bears to be taken to Greenhill and the Coins for Friendship collection was taken.

Muriel Mattinson reminded our Darts Members they will be playing at Aspatria Bowling Club on 16th October at 7:30pm. A letter of thanks was read from Gladys Temple for the lovely flowers she received after her spell in hospital.

Members were reminded about the Group Meeting to be held at Aspatria Rugby Club on Wednesday 27th September where we will be providing the biscuits and the competitions are a Christmas Tree Decoration and three Shortcrust Mince Pies.

Margaret Moore gave the Treasurers Report and pointed out we need the money from the Sponsored Walk so if you cannot

walk yourself please sponsor someone else to do it. The Christmas Meal was discussed but no date decided. Next March will be our 80th Birthday so plans were put in place to make it a special occasion. Audrey then introduced Susan Forrester to talk about 'Butter Making'. Susan made it a delightful evening with showing how butter was made but also talking of her family's reasons for going into butter making and baking. She told jokes and read poetry then offered several items of her baking for sale to members giving 10% of her sales to the WI. Isobel Hurst thanked her for a very enjoyable talk, which had brought back memories for many members.

Noeline and Elsie Foster served refreshments including delicious scones and fresh butter provided by Susan Forrester. Muriel Mattinson's group organized card bingo for the social time. The competition winners were Cream Jug: 1st Elinor Roper 2nd Phyllis Dockeray, Flower: 1st Freda Garner 2nd Elinor Roper. The Drawing Winners were 1st Noeline Foster 2nd Margery Dargie. Next month we have visitors so extra food was requested and there will be a Gift Stall.



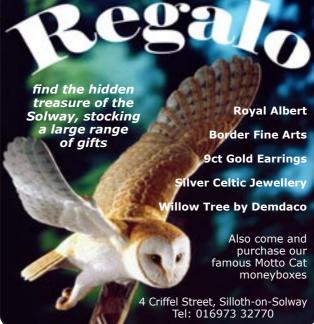
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disco to the Sunday afternoon Karaoke, this was a tremendously successful event and a wonderful advert for the town of Silloth.

Both the Drifters and the Animals said this was the best audience they had played in ages, everybody was involved and the marquee was bouncing. There will be hundreds of pictures going on to the web site: www.SolwayBuzz.co.uk where prints will be for sale. Both Friday and Saturday nights were sold-out, so next year the tickets are bound to go

involved, from the volunteer organisers to the perfect audience, roll on 2007.





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What a Fantastic Day

Silloth Carnival 2006

Report by: Lawrence Marshall Vice-Chairman

The long anticipated day arrived and thankfully the weather looked reasonably good, which is essential for the aircraft to entertain us all. Cones were placed by Cumbria Police and stalls and side-shows had arrived.

The programme of events got underway at 11am with the Cumberland and Westmorland Wrestling organised for us by Cyril and Doreen Bragg and their friends. This year an added attraction was eight French wrestlers from Brittany.

At the same time as the wrestling we had the children's sports, they had to be cancelled from the day before due to a downpour. It was good to have Margaret Palmer, who is the daughter of the late Bill Johnston, assisting with the organising of the sports. Bill sponsored the sports for many years and his presence is sadly missed.

The parade having assembled in Skinburness Road for judging started to wend its way through the town, led by Dearham Band. Heading the parade was our own Mayor Councillor Graham Wilkinson and Mayoress Mrs Wilkinson, Tony Cunningham MP and his wife and family and Allerdale Mayor Councillor Joe Mumberson and Mayoress Mrs Mumberson.

Returning to the green the crowning ceremony took place. Retiring Queen Stacey Frazer crowned Lesley Maddison the 2006 Queen. The Herald Luke Graham assisted by Matthew Oliver did an excellent job leading the various Queens and attendants round the



ring, an important part of any carnival.

We were now readying ourselves to receive the first of the aircraft, the Falcon parachute team. When they jumped they appeared to be halfway over the Solway Firth. The parachutists performed a spectacular descent to the green and landed spot on to the applause of the crowd.

We then had the helicopter of "Red 10" Ft. Lt. Andy Robins, the Red Arrows



commentator, landing on the green and remaining there until the end of the afternoon. Next on show was the RAF Spitfire of WWII fame which along with the Hurricane defended Britain in 1940 and led Prime Minister Winston Churchill to declare the famous words "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few". These aircraft and others flew in and out of 22MU Silloth during the war years. So the Spitfire brought

back very vivid memories to many of us.

The Sea King helicopter then performed an air-sea rescue demonstration with the Silloth lifeboat and crew, this demonstration is always very entertaining and popular.

Finally it was the turn of the world famous Red Arrows. The numerous spectacular displays were



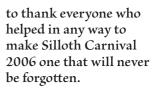




brilliant with a large crowd assembled on the promenade waving and gasping in disbelief. After completing his commentary "Red 10" returned to his helicopter leaving a very happy crowd behind.



And so ended a marvellous day and Carnival Committee chairman John Hope along with all the committee members were delighted and wish















My name is Clive Firth, I've been living in the Silloth area now for about 16 months. I dare say that most of you would have seen me trundling around the area on my three wheel motorcycle.

While motorcycling or rather Trike-ing, is one of my first loves, I am also keenly interested and involved in Woodcarving and Wood sculpture, I have been practising and teaching the craft a good number of years. With this in mind I wondered if there were other people in Silloth and the surrounding area that might be interested in starting a Woodcarving/Wood sculpture group?

All abilities, from complete beginners upwards are welcome, please 'phone me on: 016973 31995.

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Sandwich Pop-Ins



Report by: Elizabeth Lowther

During the Summer Months the Methodist Church School room in Silloth has been a hive of activity with the members serving sandwiches, cakes and tea or coffee every Thursday lunchtime.

This two hour event has enabled local people and visitors alike to get together for a snack and a chat. These have been happy occasions, enjoyed by all and thanks go to the loyal regulars who have supported these events.

From the proceeds

a donation of £50 was made to the Abbey Appeal and proceeds of £123 from the last Pop -In were sent to N.C.H.

Don't forget the "Taste of Christmas "Pop - In " with a Christmas Stall on 7th December.

All are welcome.





Heather and Olive Wood of 152 Skinburness Road Silloth would like to thank visitors and friends who came to see their annual display of watercolours and enjoy sitting in the deck chairs in the garden to watch "The Red Arrows" and have a poor man's Bucks Fizz with goodies!

The total taken for the carnival funds was £57.



Cumberland and Westmorland Wrestling Results

Under 12: Under 15: 11.5 stone:

1. Jack Brown, 2. Jack Johnston, 3. Robert Graham 1. Adam Ridley, 2. Craig Ridley, 3. Adam Herd Under 18: 1. Graham Benson, 2. Watchai Noimai, 3. Adam Ridley 1. Andrew Carlile, 2. Graham Benson, 3. Paul

13 stone: All weights:

Ladies class:

1. Andrew Carlile, 2. Tudy Le Meur, 3. David Barnes 1. Jean Marie Menesque, 2. Tudy Le Meur,

3. Donna Thompson

Carnival Results

Best Visiting Float:

1st Jake and Lucy, 2nd Clown Around Best small float under 7ft: 1st Dalston Flower Club, 2nd Wigton Winter Queen Best Visiting Queen: 1st Maryport Gypsy Queen, 2nd Dearham Snow Queen Most Humorous Float: 1st Dearham Dance Academy, 2nd Silloth Lifeboat Queen Best Float over 7ft: 1st Miss Winter, 2nd Red Arrows, 3rd Pirates Best Decorated Pedestrian Fancy Dress group of 10 or more: Deal or No Deal Best Decorated Pedestrian Fancy Dress group of 3 to 9: 1st Wizard of Oz, 2nd Pirates, 3rd Bingo Callers, h/c Cowgirls Best Decorated Pedestrian Fancy Dress 1 or 2 people under 11 years: 1st Cowboy Builders, 2nd Cinderella, 3rd Little Red Riding Hood Best Decorated Pram or Trolley 1st Little Star of India, 2nd Elvis 3 Best Decorated Bicycle: 1st Jim Thorburn Teddy Bears 2nd Stacey Fearon Endangered Animals Best Decorated and Presented Silloth Queen: Joint 1st Butterfly Queen and The Carnival Queen. Best Decorated and Presented: Visiting Queen Dearham Carnival Queen Best Overall Float: Joint 1st Maryport Gypsy

3rd Forget Me Not Flowers House Frontage: 3. Matthew Le Dow 1st B. Wishart, 1. Frederique Nouvel, 2. Tracy Hodgson, 2nd D Allison,

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Dearham Dance Academy

Shop Window Competition:

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Best Entertainment on Route:

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Silloth Community Craft Show

The Silloth **Community Craft Show** committee would like to thank Silloth Social Club, Stephen Tremble Joinery, Carrs Mills, Bank Mill Nurseries, Barry Hope Electrical, & Fun 2 Do, for their sponsorship. Thanks also go to Kay Ritchie, Bill Allen, The Solway Buzz, Silloth Tourist Info, The Judges, The Mayor of Silloth, all the visitors on the day and finally to everyone who entered.

This year we had 173 entries which is slightly down on previous years, but nevertheless in the words of our Mayor when he presented the trophies - it was a good show! The balloon arch with a floral display by Balloon Mania & Forget Me Not, received many positive comments, while the Wood Carving &

Community Craft **Show Winners**

Childrens Section Decorated plate 1st Harry Winter 2nd Natalie Wood My Teacher 1st Sheena Matear Collage Picture 1st Jack Winter 2nd Robbie Stewart 3rd Ellie Matear 2 Decorated Buns 1st Charlie Stewart 2nd Lucy Winter Novelty Pencil Sharpener 1st Amanda Ayres 2nd Lesley Maddison 3rd Jack Winter Snapshot 'My Pet 1st Natalie Wood 2nd Charlie Stewart 3rd Amanda Ayres

Baking 4 Plain Scones 1st Terry Mullett 2nd Tracey Wood 3rd Beatrice Henderson 4 Sq Gingerbread 1st Paula Stewart 2nd Jean Wilson 3rd Terry Mullett 4 Shortbread Rounds 1st Tracey wood 2nd Terry Mullett 3rd B Henderson 4 Butterfly Cakes 1st Tracey Wood 2nd B Henderson 3rd Audrey Maddison Victoria Sponge 1st T Mullett 2nd B Henderson 3rd Tracey Wood Rum Butter 1st Tracey Wood



Turning demonstrations by Clive Firth and Alex Gorman proved very popular with everyone.

To make next years show even bigger and

Marmalade

1st Tracey wood

2nd Jean Wilson

1st Paula Stewart

2nd Sandra Bradley

Bread - traditional

Picture in X Stitch

2nd Dorothy Maxwell

Article of Embroidery

3rd Dorothy Maxwell

Picture in Long Stitch

1st Mary Hoskins

3rd Jenni Lister

1st Jean Wilson

2nd Pam Taylor

1st Mary Hoskins

1st B Henderson

Bread - machine made

3rd M Mullett

3rd T Wood

2nd T Wood

3rd T Mullett

Handicrafts

better, we need your entries. There are still many talented people we know who produce beautiful pieces of work, but have yet to enter 2nd B Henderson

Watercolour Picture 1st Frank Reynolds 2nd Sandra Bradley 3rd Dianne Shaw Home Made Card 1st Barbara Wise 2nd P Stewart 3rd R Stewart Snapshot 'Life in the 1st J Lister 2nd J Maddison 3rd L Maddison

Snapshot 'Carnival Day 1st L Maddison 2nd L Marshall 3rd A Maddison Novelty Egg Cup 1st J Lister 2nd A Ayres

Floral Flowering Pot Plant

3rd P Stewart

the show. If that's you, please join in the fun and complete the entry form in next years Buzz.

Many Thanks, Lesley & Audrey.

1st T Stalker Foliage Pot Plant 1st T Stalker 2nd K Winter 3rd T Wood 8 Spikes of Sweet Peas 1st Sandra Bradley 2nd B Henderson 3rd J Maddison Vase of Garden **Flowers** 1st J Maddison 2nd B Wise 3rd T Wood

Garden Produce 3 carrotts 1st T Stalker 3 onion from setts 1st S Bradley 2nd L Maddison 3rd T Stalker 5 Shallotts 1st J Maddison 2nd T Stalker

3rd M Mullett 5 Tomatoes 1st T Stalker 2nd D Walton 3rd B Henderson 5 Cherry Tomatoes 1st T Stalker 2nd A Maddison 3rd L Maddison Runner Beans 1st S Bradley 2nd B Henderson 3rd T Stalker 3 White potatoes 1st T Stalker 2nd L Maddison 3rd J Maddison 3 Coloured potatoes 1st M Mullett 2nd T Stalker 3rd A Maddison A Cucumber 1st T Stalker 2nd J Maddison 3rd B Henderson

A Marrow 1st J Maddison 2nd T Stalker 3 Beetroot 1st T Stalker 2nd J Maddison 3rd B Henderson 3 Leeks 1st T Stalker 2nd J Maddison Collection of 5 year 1st T Stalker 2nd J Maddison 3rd M Mullett 3 Hen eggs 1st T Stalker 2nd J Maddison 3rd T Warwick 3 Bantam Eggs 1st T Warwick 2nd T Stalker

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The Cake Stall was as usual in the capable hands of Maureen Moore

Pensioners Coffee Morning

On 2nd September

the Pensioners held their

after the Summer Break,

in the Recreation Hall.

The tables looked

hydrangeas and foliage

in the centre (by Carol

Haines and Diana Shaw).

Piping hot milky coffee,

home made scones, drop

scones, jam and biscuits,

"all for 60p". Nice to see

some visitors popping in

for their morning coffee,

also some new faces from

the town, and our regular

The recreation Hall

supporters were out in

looked all spruced up

as six members of the

committee had worked

hard giving everything

an extra clean. We have

(bought with a donation

new tables and chairs

from S.O.S.C.S.).

force.

delightful with

arrangements of

first Coffee Morning

and Doreen Mathews. The bric-a-brac did excellent trade, the Committee collected bric-a-brac during the Summer. Doreen Carruthers and Nan Crook were certainly kept busy all morning making £43.

The Raffle had seven lucky winners, Dorothy Maxwell, Nan Crook, Jean Mattinson, Diana Shaw, Mary Murphy, Dorothy Holiday and Ursula Low.

We made £141.90 for funds.

Our next Coffee Morning will be Saturday 7th October at

If you have not been to one of our Coffee Mornings, "COME AND JOIN US".

> were won by 1st Mary Hoskins 2nd D Maxwell 3rd Jenni Lister

Childrens Trophy Joint Winners: Natalie Wood and Charlie Stewart

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Floral: T Stalker

Overall Points in Show: T Stalker

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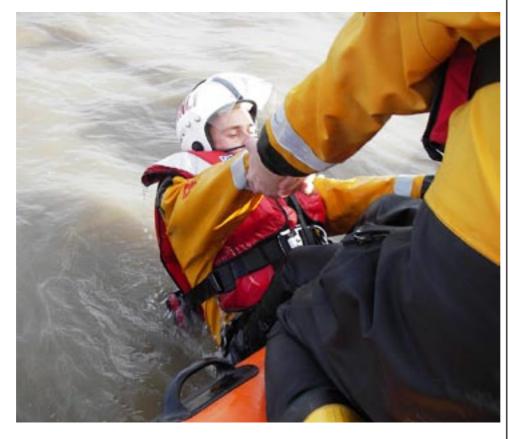
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On 19th September the Silloth lifeboat crew launched a campaign to raise £20,000 to cover the cost of their training for 2007-8.

Eddie Studholme, Silloth Lifeboat Operations Manager explains 'To keep the crew at the peak of their skills, training has to develop constantly and at the same time meet the needs of volunteer crew members, 90% of whom do not come from professional maritime backgrounds. Meanwhile, mandatory health and safety requirements, EU legislation, new technology and the continuing development of competence-based training have further contributed to a 72% increase in the training requirement.'

The crew and fundraisers are now actively raising funds and looking for offers of help.

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such as posters, sporting trophies etc. If you would like more information or help with a fundraising event please call Sandra on 016973 33006.

The crew are delighted that Annette Gibbons, food writer and presenter, has agreed to be the patron of the Appeal.

To help the volunteer crew of the Solway Firth by contributing to their appeal please send your donation made payable to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution to: Silloth Lifeboat Station Appeal PO Box 12 CARLISLE CA7 4WA

Churches Together

Report by: Timothy Barker

On carnival weekend people in Silloth may have seen a Bangladeshi tricycle rickshaw on the Green and Batman and Catwoman wandering the streets. Churches Together in Silloth had set up their marquee for their second annual "Music with Intent" weekend and the rickshaw was publicizing Christian Aid's work in the Third World while the super-heroes were part of a drama presentation on Sunday evening.

Saturday evening saw the concert to promote the Make Poverty History campaign. Local musicians included Frank Devine (ably accompanied by Luke on whistle), Lady B and 6 String Revolution plus Sirkus from Edinburgh and Sound of Soul from **Emmanuel Church** Whitehaven. Our prayers and good wishes go to Elaine Davison who couldn't be there owing to a serious throat condition,

The weather was

kinder this year – no gales to threaten the tent and the heavy showers seemed to happen while everyone was inside. The children's fun hour on Sunday was actually extended (happily) while the worst shower of the day lasted and no one was put off for Songs of Praise which attracted a full house of lusty singers.

Batman and Co appeared in the evening as part of a marvellous programme of drama, music, testimony and fun with the young musicians from Whitehaven. They began life as a class of drumming enthusiasts and turned into a band, a youth club and a community of lively, laughing disciples.

The marquee was open all Carnival Day with music, children's puppets, books and Fair Trade goods and a quiet area for people just to sit and bring their thoughts and concerns. The Red Arrows were a very effective backup to us, especially when they created that giant heart over the Solway!

Hair Zone

We love the new violet colours from Clynol, we thought CHANTELLE looked absolutely stunning on her wedding day with her new dark violet colour.

As did BEYONCE on her last visit to London, her dark violet law lights

Dinosaur Bee by Ben Goodman aged 6 from Silloth Primary School

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On the Waterfront

Report by: Tommy Legs

August was a quiet month with only four ships visiting the port.

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Cafe Closes

As many of you may have noticed Café 14/16 on Eden Street has closed after 2 ½ very happy years for the owners Jay and Morven Anson.

They stopped opening in the evening last autumn, after the birth of their little boy Robbie and eventually made the decision to put the café on the market to spend more time together as a family. Jay said "When you live and work on the premises you are on the job all the time. Making everything from scratch involved a lot of hours. We will miss our many regulars, many of whom are our friends now, but the most important thing for us is to be able to spend time with Robbie".

Jay is starting a part time master's degree in advanced environmental and energy studies and Morven has begun working in Cumbria Fire Service's Control Room.

The café is still on the market and the couple plan to stay in Silloth.

S.T.A.G.

Silloth Tourism Action Group held a meeting at the Golf Hotel on Monday 11th September to discuss the ongoing project of a new tourism website and leaflet for Silloth.

STAG is now looking for eight tourism businesses to help monitor the effectiveness of the planned campaign. In return, as well as receiving a free listing on the new web site, businesses will also be given an enhanced listing. The tourism business could be anything from an accommodation provider, caravan park, restaurant or visitor attraction with the only stipulation being it cannot be wholly retail.

For more information contact Morven Anson on 32541.

The next meeting of STAG will be held at The Golf Hotel on Monday 9th October and new members are always welcome.

Letters

Dear Buzz,

I love reading the Solway buzz whilst we are staying in our caravan on Hilton Park. But one thing I would love to see is competitions maybe with prizes or vouchers for local shops.

Vanessa Lowder

PS If anyone has any ideas and can supply them, the Buzz will be delighted to include competitions on a regular basis.

Dear Buzz,

As I left the Promenade after the Red Arrows Display on Monday afternoon, I was inundated with favourable comments along the lines of "that was the best Red Arrows Display I've ever seen", "Can we do it again next year?", and "What a fantastic way to spend a Bank Holiday!" My congratulations therefore go to the Silloth Carnival Committee. particularly to John Hope and Lawrence Marshall, for accepting the challenge of arranging the support so necessary for the event. I believe that they "took a lot of stick" and criticism from a number of people who doubted that it could be done; but they kept faith, absorbed the criticism and continued undaunted to produce a most memorable and successful event. No doubt there were a few problems; but if these are presented as helpful comments in a rational manner rather than blatant

the whole committee will be encouraged to take those comments on board and make future events equally successful.

The people of Silloth should be very proud of their achievements - in my experience there a few communities with such a good corporate spirit as I saw demonstrated this weekend.

Well done Silloth.

With thanks and sincerity,

Tony Parrini

A L PARRINI Regional Community Relations Officer (Cumbria and Tynedale)

Dear Buzz,

On behalf of the residents and visitors to our beloved town, I feel a great vote of thanks must be given to the small group of people who make up the Carnival Committee. Whom on being offered the chance of the Red Arrows decided to grab the opportunity and along with help from Tony Parrini, members of various Rotary Clubs, Inspector Barr Wigton and Army Cadets Force. It took a lot of hours of planning with regular meetings from January until the great day, which everyone must agree was beyond all dreams. Many visitors who had seen the Red Arrows in other shows stated ours was the best venue yet.

It was hard work finding the fundings, (shows like this do not come for free) much as some people tend to think. The use of the park and ride system was well appreciated by most residents of the town.

Thanks again to all concerned, here's to next year.

Graham Wilkinson

Dear Buzz,

We are a small town and most children here will have attended the primary school where the staff work very hard to provide a good education and a happy learning environment, therefore I find it very hard to understand the mindless vandalism that goes on around the school. On our first day back we were shocked to find the infants playhouse door broken off its hinges, the windows smashed, the small tables and chairs broken, garden tubs tipped over and the outdoor area totally trashed. Lesser acts of vandalism have being going on for a long time but this is by far the worst incident. All the equipment costs the school a lot of money and isn't always replaceable therefore the children are deprived of vital learning resources. We would ask is anyone

living around the school sees or hears anyone in the school grounds to report them to the police or to the school and make our school a safe and pleasant environment for our children to learn in.

Mary Hillhouse Nursery assistant Silloth Primary School Dear Buzz.

I would like to thank my many friends and customers from the Wigton market fruit stall, for their cards, flowers, gifts. Their visits meant a lot due to their concern regarding the injury to my knee (broken Kneecap) on 6th June. Many thanks also to Doctors Ross and Jones, nurse Christine and the care and help from Susan Davidson. Thank you all.

Olga M. Wood

Dear Buzz,

This letter is written in the hope it will go some way to clearing the air of any ill feeling generated by police action earlier this summer, regarding nuisance by children playing on the road

When driven to distraction earlier in the evening by certain youth and his friends, two of which were young women, who bombarded the windows and walls of my home with a football and tennis balls -- I called the police. It was not the first time. I can no longer argue with youths who stand and snigger at you when you protest and try to reason. This was more than 'once too often' and I reported the incident. Unfortunately, it was over half an hour later when the police arrived, but by then the usual teenage gang of useless nuisances had dispersed. I learned quite some days later that although the original culprits had made

a nuisance of themselves all over the estate, all the police had found was a group of small children playing in the road, so they had taken the opportunity to point out the dangers if this!

There are too many rotten minded youths in this small town, with too little to usefully occupy them. It is a great pity Magistrate Courts have been closed and local Bobbies have disappeared. I am sure those ladies (or lady) who wrote in defence of the 'rights of small children', realises how easy it can be to misunderstand actions well meant.

Shirley Sim

Dear Buzz,

I am writing again with regard to having the Sunday Market brought back to either the main street or the green.

Since I last write to you my condition has deteriorated rapidly and I now cannot walk at all without crutches. I now have a motorised scooter and this is a big help for going around the market etc.

There are a lot of people in the same condition I am in and on the other end of the scale there are young mothers with prams who find it difficult to travel on buses - if there were many! There are so many people asking me to contact you again that I thought I had better do just that. Your help in this matter will be appreciated.

C A Greaves

Dear Buzz,

I believe there has been a petition signed by many for the market to remain in the town. Could the Council (or Allerdale) let us know how many signatures were on this?

I have heard also that we in Silloth pay almost the highest rates in Allerdale - this is presumably because of our green. If this is the case why are we not allowed to use it? It seems most unfair that we pay for a facility which is not accessible to the local community, with the exception of "one-off" events like the Beer Festival etc.

As well as the difficulties faced by many in walking to the airfield, a local market would surely be of benefit to the local tradesmen.

Council comments would be appreciated.

Jean Smith



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The Garden in October

October is the month for autumn colour, the optimum week tending to be the very last week of the month in these parts. Autumn colour is governed by several factors including the physics of light and colour, plant pigments and climatic conditions.

As the days get shorter and temperatures get cooler in the autumn, the green pigment in the leaves, (chlorophyll) declines, allowing other pigments (carotenoids, anthocyanins and tannins) to show. Carotenoids account for the yellow and golden colours whereas anthocyanin pigments are responsible for the pink, red and purple leaves.

Warm, sunny days followed by cool nights with temperatures below 45°F (70°C), but not freezing, favour the formation of bright, red autumn colour. Freezing temperatures reduce the brilliance of autumn leaf colour by killing or severely injuring the leaves. The degree of colour can vary from tree to tree as well, since leaves exposed to the sun may turn red while others in the shade may be yellow. A cloudy



autumn with warmer nights will not produce good autumn colour.

Personally I prefer the idea that autumn colour is down to Jack Frost who supposedly brings reds and purples to the shrubs and trees by pinching the leaves with his icy fingers. The hues of yellow, gold, and brown are mixed on his paint palette and applied with quick broad strokes of his brush as he silently moves through the gardens......

Dahlias which have now come back into fashion provide much of the flower colour in the October garden. They will flower happily well into October but their leaves will turn black and wilt as soon as the first frost strikes. When this happens cut them to the ground and protect the tuber over winter.

October notes

Baskets and Containers

Clear all tubs, hanging baskets and window boxes of summer (ivies for example), spring flowering bulbs, polyanthus, primroses, pansies and heathers.

Borders



bedding plant. Before replanting with winter and spring interest plants, replace the compost - old compost can hold disease and viruses.

The key plants for containers over winter are evergreens A good clear up of the borders at this time of the year makes life easier next spring. Remove and compost summer bedding and cut the old foliage of perennials to the ground leaving good seedheads for the birds.

Plant next years spring bulbs (but not tulips until November) and spring flowers such as Foxgloves, Hardy Heathers, Wallflowers, Forget-me-nots, Sweet William, Polyanthus and spring bedding plants such as aubrietia, alyssum and winter pansies. It's also a good time to plant shrubs & trees.

Lawns Make t

Make the last cuts of the lawn longer, at an inch or so, to strengthen the grass through the cold months and give it some foliage to live on. Rake off fallen leaves regularly and keep them in a black bin liner until next summer when they can be added to the compost heap. Don't let them lie in wet heaps for long, or they will damage the grass underneath.

The damp atmosphere provides ideal conditions

to carry out all lawn work, creating new lawns or repairing, aerating and scarifying existing ones.

Pruning and Training

Finish clipping topiary and hedges.

Make sure the long stems of climbers are tied in before winter winds can tear them off. Reduce the shoots of roses and quick growing shrubs such as buddleja and lavertera by a third to prevent wind rock and check all shrubs and trees for damage and disease which should be pruned out.

Propagation

Take hardwood cuttings of buddleias, forsythia, fancy elders, currants and gooseberries, by simply sticking strong 12-inch cuttings two-thirds into the ground where you want them to grow.

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Poems

A SILLOTH SKY

by Barry Piercy

Here I sit on a beach near a place I now call home deserted and quiet on this beach all alone.

What I now see is nothing new sand, sea and sky my eyes are drawn up above to a solemn but familiar grey

I consider myself to be lucky as I leave the beach to my bed my eyes are drawn up once mor to a sunset sky made of red.

REVENGE

by Whiskers

A seagull's life is hard these days if you're tired of eating fish, Steak and kidney pie with chips, is something I would wish.

A human threw a bun one day when I was at the docks,

She wore a bright green summer dress and multi coloured socks.

The man said, don't feed that scruffy thing and threw my bun quite far. I just waited till he drove away then I bombed his shiny car.

Abbey Appeal Meal for 2 Grand Draw

Meal for 2 Grand Draw

After finding out about the fire at the Abbey Jim Brough approached the vicar to see if he could arrange a drawing, the prize being a dinner for two, donated by his former customers in the Hotel and Restaurant trade. The tickets sold covered a wide area which when people donated said was a worthy cause.

The winning tickets

which were drawn by the well known Lawrence Marshall, with a further draw in which the names of the Hotel or Restaurant (8 in all) had donated, the Prizes were then drawn by the Vicar Rev. David Tembey.



L-R: Rev David Tembey, Jim Brough and Lawrence Marshall

After the Draw Jim presented the Vicar with the cheque for £6,045 (Six thousand and Forty Five Pounds) which drew a huge applause and cheers from the audience. The Vicar thanked Jim.

This took place at the White Heather Hotel during the interval of the Auction being held for the Abbey on 8th Sept.

The winners: Fergus Jones to The Trout Hotel, Barry Elcoat to Casa Romano, B. Hardy to Cumbria Park Hotel. Pauline Shearer to Borrowdale Hotel, M. Markley to Armathwaite Hall, John Bowe to Wheyrigg Hall Hotel, Liz Elliot to Golf Hotel, Gary Winter to The New Inn Blencogo.

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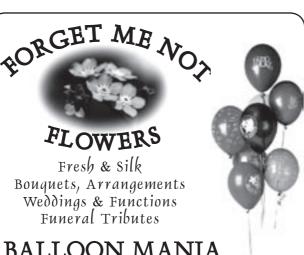
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Champion Girls with their Silverware



Megan & Bethany Wise with the trophies won in only one year

Report by: Lorna Winter

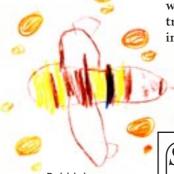
Bethany and Megan Wise deserve congratulation after completing their first competitive season in athletics. They are both members of Ellenborough Athletics Club in Maryport.

They have raced in many venues in Cumbria and as far afield as the North East and Blackpool. Between them they have won 41 trophies and medals this season.

Bethany was crowned County Champion in April and has since gone on to represent North Cumbria, where she has

again excelled in the sprint races.

Megan has done especially well in handicap racing and on one occasion beat her sister, which placed them 1st and 2nd in the 100m final, of this she is very proud.



Bubblebee by Charlie Garner aged 5 from Silloth Primary School

At the last Cumbrian League meeting bethany had the great honour to be named County under 13 girls athlete of the

year.

The girls owe a lot of their success to their parents Malcolm and Wendy, who help with training and transporting them week in and week out.

> Good luck for the next season girls.

Silloth Tennis Club

Georgia, Emily, Gareth & Greg Take Club Orange Doubles Honours



With new faces coming along all the time, the club doubles competitions are ideal places to match new players alongside familiar faces in what has now become a more light hearted side to the competitive side of the club. With the likes of Lucy Winter and Jack Wallace, who have not yet established themselves as long term competitors, producing some great Tennis and taking home silverware the competition was a

real success. Overall, the matches in both competitions were very tight, none more so than the



eventual girls winners Georgia Wilson and Emily Wise who won by a single point in 3 of their 4 matches and with newcomer Cameron Moore impressing along with partner Adam Story it was the experience of "old hands"



Gareth Davenport and Robbie Harrison helping partners Jack Wallace and Greg Ramsay respectively that brought about the final in which Greg and Gareth won

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