

Discounted Activities

Local disadvantaged kids are to get free access to leisure facilities in the area in a scheme from Allerdale Borough Council and its leisure partner Carlisle Leisure Limited working in partnership with Children's Services.

This new scheme provides free Leisure Access Cards to children who are being looked after, in care, or who have learning difficulties and also their carers and families. This will enable them to enjoy sport and leisure activities at the facilities operated by Carlisle Leisure at half the normal price. Leisure Access Cards are usually priced at £2.50* for a 12 month period (*50% of cost sponsored by Allerdale Borough Council, normal price £5) but thanks to additional sponsorship from Allerdale Borough Council the card will be provided free of charge to those who qualify.

Participants in the scheme will be able to access the leisure facilities which are owned by Allerdale Borough Council and operated, managed and developed by Carlisle Leisure Limited. These facilities

include Cockermouth Leisure Centre, Keswick Leisure Pool and Workington Leisure Centre and Pools.

In addition the cardholders will also be able to use all of the leisure facilities operated by Carlisle Leisure Limited. This currently includes The Pools, The Sands Centre, Sheepmount Stadium, Stony Holme Golf Course, Swifts Golf Course and Driving Range, Morton Pool and Fitness Centre and Trinity Leisure Centre.

Peter Haley, Leisure Partnership Officer for Allerdale says. "We are very pleased to offer this scheme through the Leisure Partnership with Carlisle Leisure Limited and our work with Children's Services. Improving services and opportunities for children and young people is a key issue for the Council, this scheme will provide many benefits."

Martin Horne, Business Development Manager for Carlisle Leisure Limited adds: "As part of our ongoing commitment to the residents of Allerdale we're delighted to be able to offer this scheme."

Monday Luncheon Club Christmas Lunch

A very enjoyable Christmas lunch was held at Silloth Golf Club on Monday 17 December for members and helpers of the Monday Luncheon Club. The food was excellent and a very good party spirit prevailed.

The club meets throughout the year for lunch at the Community Centre on Mondays. The Community bus driven by volunteer drivers, collects the diners. We are grateful to the town council for the use of the Community Centre.



Photo by: Bill Allan, Article by: Lawrence Marshall

Throughout the year the meals are supplied by the Primary School in term time and the Good Companions during holidays.

This Christmas the

diners were invited by the headmaster Mr Dennison and the kitchen manager Mrs Val Hutchison to join the children for a Christmas dinner. This was appreciated by

both the senior-citizens and the children. The organisers, Betty Walton and Lawrence Marshall, thank all the volunteer drivers and the ladies who serve the meals.

It's All About Rubbish

Report by: Patricia Froggatt

The first meeting of Causewayhead WI for 2008 took place on Wednesday 13th January with a talk about Recycling.

The President, Pat Bell introduced the speaker,

Mr Mark Studholme of Allerdale Borough Council, who gave a very informative and interesting insight into Recycling of Waste in the Borough.

Mr Studholme explained the changes that had taken place from

ash bins to the current system of recycling, which included paper, cardboard and garden waste. Since the introduction of the scheme there had been a significant reduction in the amount of refuse collected.

Recently trials had commenced in Keswick of a collection of plastic bottles, etc. in an attempt to supplement the current system, and this was proving to be a success. It was hoped to extend this gradually to other areas of the borough.

The paper and cardboard that was currently being recycled was sent to companies such as Kimberley Clark for producing goods that would be back on the shelves for consumers. Glass was sent to Scotland for recycling and re-using, and garden waste was being composted locally. Members were

interested to know where batteries and light bulbs containing Mercury could be recycled, and Mr Studholme gave a number of points with the facilities for this to be done.

Leaflets were handed round to members giving details of the Recycling of Waste and also anyone interested in purchasing Compost bins from the Council, were given a leaflet on information regarding this.

Margaret Durham gave a vote of thanks to Mr Studholme on behalf of the members. Supper was served by hostesses P Nixon, O Hetherington and F Jackson.

Competition winners on the night were:
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