

## Silloth Docks Smash Record



**The Port of Silloth has set a new record for tonnage handled in a single shipment, with the arrival from Holland of m.v. Arklow River.**

The Irish-registered vessel delivered over 4,150 tonnes of agribulks to Silloth's New Dock on behalf of port customers, Carrs Fertilisers Ltd. The load was discharged by the port's resident stevedores, DA Harrison, in under 18 hours, certainly a job well done.

The shipment is the

first in the port's history to exceed 4,000 tonnes, but is merely the latest in an ongoing trend of increased shipment volumes to pass through Silloth, with new records being set five times in as many years. 2007 saw the port handling over 100,000 tonnes of agribulks, eclipsing all previous records.

Paul Jervis, ABP Port Manager, North-West Ports, commented: "This shipment highlights Silloth's ability to deliver large quantities of bulk

materials to serve the agricultural community, both in Cumbria and further afield. A vessel of this size is relatively large for the port, but certainly not exceptional, and was managed comfortably with careful planning from Silloth's operational staff."

Agribulk products have been imported through Silloth ever since the docks were built in 1859, with products originating in Europe, the Baltic States and North Africa.

## Coining It In for the Kids' Hospice



L-R: Carol Carr, Daniel Whitmore, Louise Hinde and fundraising coordinator, Toddy Winter

Staff at the Spar shop in Silloth hand over a cheque for £500 to mascot Joe Jigsaw for Eden House Children's Hospice, which is part of Eden Valley Hospice in Carlisle. The money was raised in the Spar's collection tins on the counter, initiated by Toddy Winter.

## Causewayhead WI

At the March meeting of Causewayhead W.I., President, Pat Bell welcomed members and asked the Secretary, Jean Vorley to read the minutes of the previous meeting. These were accepted as a true record and signed. The date of the birthday meal was confirmed as the 7th May and would take place at The Gin Case.

Members were

informed that the two darts teams unfortunately did not make it through to the finals, but certainly didn't disgrace themselves. Both teams won 2 games and the A team only lost on their play-off match against Kirkbride W.I.

After the general business was concluded the President welcomed Barbara Ruddick who gave a demonstration of her jewellery making techniques. Barbara started by painting jewellery but now concentrates on assembling her gem stones. A large selection of pieces were on display and she proceeded to go through the months of the year showing the gems which represented each month and also their alternative stones, i.e. Garnets are the main gem stone for January, and the alternative stone being rose quartz. Barbara also

had a piece of rock which contained garnets that had been found at Shap.

The whole demonstration proved to be a fascinating experience and afterwards members were able to purchase pieces of the jewellery on display.

A vote of thanks was given by Diane Shaw on behalf of all members.

The social half hour consisted of two quizzes, one being 'Put A Name to the Face' and the other 'The Worlds Easiest Quiz' - which was not what it seemed. The whole half hour proved to be great fun.

The winners of the competitions on the night were:

Humorous Mug:

J. Day and J. Graham

Flower: J. Wilkinson

and R. Brooks

Raffle:

J. Davies and J. Vorley

Grocery Parcels: J. Vorley

and J. Wilkinson.

## Cumbria Cancer Support Group

Cumbria Cancer Support Group are there for people who have been affected by any type of cancer and are coping with its effects and for their family, carers and friends.

They meet on the third Thursday of every month at 7pm in the

Education Centre, the Cumberland Infirmary, Infirmary Street, Carlisle. (Next to the Ambulance Station).

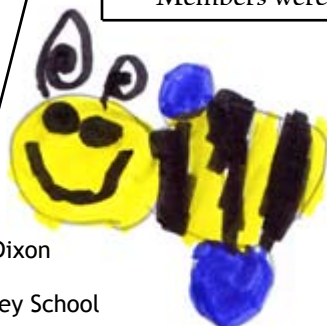
In a relaxed atmosphere, they have speakers and social events, giving one another support and friendship.

ALL WELCOME.

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