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# Cumbria in Bloom Presents Silloth with Lots of Awards



Back Row L-R: Wendy Jameson, Chris Graham, John Cook, Vivian Russell, Ann Winter Front Row L-R: Pat Bell, Ann Harrison, Jean Carr

# 2016 Events

22nd October Silloth Bonfire Tony Markley, Mayor of Silloth said "This is a fantastic achievement for the town of Silloth. Special thanks go to Bill Jefferson, who chaired the Silloth in Bloom team and to everyone involved over the last few years. Silloth is absolutely blooming and has gained the recognition it deserves."

A dedicated Silloth in Bloom website was set up – https://sillothinbloom.wordpress.com/- to provide on-line information

about 'Silloth in Bloom and the campaign to establish Silloth as a Cumbria and Britain in Bloom winner.' The Silloth in Bloom Facebook Page can be viewed at:- https://www.facebook.com/sillothinbloom/

The Cumbria in Bloom awards are a tremendous achievement for the whole town and reflects all the hard work and preparation put in by everyone concerned, over many months. The ethos of Cumbria in Bloom is the

participation of people working together to help retain, develop and improve the environment of their own communities. This is something Silloth has very much taken on board and needs a huge pat on the back for what it's achieved.

It is vital we try to maintain the high standards we've achieved, so if you have a few hours to spare and would be interested in lending a hand, then please get in touch.

# BHF Charity Golf



Ray Lowry the starter on the first tee giving players instructions

In 2010 through the

provided ten defibrillators

for Silloth 1st Responders.

raised we have been able to

make the final payment to

Carlisle hospital. This is a

the Cardiac Echo Appeal for

portable scanner that can be

taken to the patient's hospital

All other money raised

is spent on research and the

prevention of heart disease

- more money is spent in

Heart Foundation than is

by the Club Captain Mr

Mrs Sandra Moore.

After the competition the

Gents Prizes were presented

Phillip Alison and the Ladies

An appreciative speech

Prizes by the Lady Captain

was given by Mr Stephen

Laydon retired fundraiser

for the Cumbria Area and

Ex Mayor of Carlisle. This

was followed by the newly

appointed Fundraising

Barbara Dunn, who has

for over ten years and

Cardiac Echo machine.

worked for the foundation

explained the benefit of the

Manager for the area

Cumbria by the British

raised in Cumbria.

bed in the event of a heart

British Heart Foundation we

This year from the money

On Wednesday 17th August the Seniors Mixed 4B.B.B Stableford Golf Competition was held at the club on a beautiful sunny day attracting one hundred and seventy four players.

Grateful thanks must go to the Management Committee of the Club for giving the charity the courtesy of the course to hold the competition. Praise must go to Brain Story and his green-keeping staff for the excellent condition of the course which was commented upon by many visitors.

The event attracted players from Cumbrian Clubs and others as far away as Saunton in Devon, Blairgowrie, Rosemount, Lytham St Annes, Formby, Walmersley, Hexham, Bellingham, Minto, Lauder, Dalbeattie and Tavira in Portugal.

The Silloth Branch has been holding this event since the year 2000.

Organised by Davina Sim and Pauline Graham assisted on the day by wonderful helpers Margaret English, Evelyn Baxter, Dot English, Gwen Bosward, Anne Proudlock and Barbara Donald raising over £44,000 to date.

In 2000 we purchased the first defibrillator for the Doctors surgery.

In 2007 when the Cumberland News launched the Big Echo Appeal for £200,000 of which we provided a substantial donation.

# **WINTERS** POST OFFICE Personal Banking Cash Withdrawals Yankee Candles Greetings Cards

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# **Arthritis Support**

Report by: Gladys Temple

Chairman Margaret Armstrong welcomed everyone to the September meeting of the Arthritis Support Group held in the West Street Bowling Club. Apologies were received from Catherine Cheetham, Edna Marper, June Fearon, Eleanor Hodgson and Joan Gilbertson while new visitor Dot O'Neil was made welcome.

Norman Godfrey is always welcome with his wonderful slides and we were treated to views of the north western tip of the Highlands of Scotland. Norman introduced the area then played the music 'Sailing by' and poetry to accompany the beautiful

slides. This was a show we had never seen before though it had been shown to another group and we thoroughly enjoyed it. Margaret thanked Norman for a really enjoyable afternoon.

Pauline Mole served the refreshments before the business was discussed.

WANTED: a new organizer is need to arrange the programme for next year. You do not need to suffer from Arthritis to be a member of the Supporters Club so, if you are interested in arranging speakers please come to the next meeting to be held in the Bowling Club at 1:30pm on 7th October 2016 where you would be most welcome.

# Causewayhead WI Film Quiz Answers

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- A fistful of dollars Cat on a Hot Tin Roof
- 3 The Birds
- **Towering Inferno**
- Singing in The Rain
- Star Wars

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- Jamaica Inn The Sting
- Toy Story
- 10 Guys & Dolls North by Northwest
- 11 12 **Jaws**
- 13 Gladiator
- Mean Streets 14
- 15 42nd Street
- 16 **Blazing Saddles**
- 17 Chariots of Fire
- Wal-E 18
- The 39 Steps
- 20 The Dam Busters 21 Shakespeare in Love
- 22 Blade Runner
- 23 School of Rock
- Dances with Wolves 24
- 25 The Lady & The Tramp
- 40 The Piano 41 **Edward Scissorhands**

26 The Lion King

Raging Bull

American Pie

The Graduate

Happy Feet

Shane

Taxi Driver

The Queen

All About Eve

Breakfast at Tiffany's

7 Brides for 7 Brothers

The Last Picture Show

A Clockwork Orange

Fiddler on the Roof

- 42 The Eagle has Landed 43 Top Hat
- American Graffiti
- 45 Batman
- 46 Ghost
- 47 The Black Dahlia
- 48 Gone with the Wind
- 49 Gaslight 50 **Bad Santa**

The winners drawn from a total of 15 correct answers were:-

Eva Callaghan, 7 Lester Rd, ME 4 5NP 1st Prize £15 2nd Prize £10 Gillian Brizland, 4 Golf Terrace, Silloth 3rd Prize £5 Sue Graham, Raye-sur-Authie, France

Thank you all for your support. Congratulations to the winners

# Care Home Olympics



The first ever Care Home Olympics were held on Silloth Green on the 28th August. Teams representing all the Care Homes in Silloth entered and the victorious team from the Good Companions were delighted with their win.

Pigy Party

John Mason

from

Silloth

Primary

School

# Apology

St Andrews Church is sorry for the cancellation of our 'once a month club' and some other events we had advertised. Unfortunately due to ill health we had to cancel them.

Thank you, Penny Stimson, Church secretary.









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# Coach Trip to Keswick

Report by: Jennifer Bailey

On 1st September there was a coach trip to Keswick organised by Sheila Nicol of the Pennine View Pensioners Association.

The coach was full with people eagerly anticipating a lovely afternoon exploring the delights of the town. Lots of walking around - charity shops to explore for bargains - all much more expensive than Silloth though.

Enda and I stopped at Bryson's and I had a cuppa, then postcards had to be written, yes even for half a day - I love postcards - then another shop and the market were investigated. There were so many shops having

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end of season sales, that the choice for anyone interested in outdoor pursuits was vast. I managed to pick up a stickstool at a very reasonable price and a T-shirt for the man in my life! So I was quite happy. We couldn't resist the aroma of fish 'n chips as we were on our return journey to the coach, so we gave in to our cravings and had a delicious meal in The

Kingfisher cafe. The weather just managed to behave itself, with just a few spits and spots of rain, nothing

to put a damper on things though and if it wasn't for the rain, we wouldn't have all the green would we?

We arrived back at the coach park and boarded our waiting coach. A good day had been had by all and the journey through some very beautiful scenery was taken at a steady pace giving plenty of time to drink it all in, thanks to Caldew Coaches.

# Silloth First Responders Need You!



Silloth First Responders are currently looking for new volunteers to join their dedicated team. Responding to around 300 999 calls on behalf of the North West Ambulance Service per year.

Community first responders are volunteers who give care and save lives of people in their community. We attend a variety of health problems including, heart attacks, strokes, diabetics and cardiac arrests to name a few.

The satisfaction of becoming a responder is not just based on saving someone's life, although this is a very special moment should it ever arise. When someone calls an ambulance they are unwell, possibly frightened or unsure what is happening

and vulnerable. Even when dealing with a patient who is not seriously ill, you have the opportunity to calm and reassure them. Talking to them and supporting them

while they await an ambulance is a part of the responder role that is often forgotten or overlooked but it can often be the most rewarding aspect of being a Community First Responder.

Can you drive and have no more than six points and want to learn some new skills? Spare a few hours a week or month? Pass a DBS

This role could be for you! If you would like to know any further information please contact Peter Gilmour on 07825 235146 or Nicola Szandurski on 07827 925743, keep an eye out in the buzz for the date of our open evening.

# Ship Runs Aground



Report by: Sue Kent Silloth RNLI

The cargo vessel carrying molasses unexpectedly ran aground on the Southside of Silloth docks around 10am on the 13th September, 2016.

The tanker called Zapadnyy started out from Workington early that morning but it's flat bottom became stuck just outside Silloth Harbour.

It had to wait all day for high water around 10pm that night to start to free herself off the bank.

After a lot of manoeuvring and assistance from Silloth RNLI Lifeboat with ropes and the Port personnel, the ships crew managed to free the vessel and it docked safely that night delivering it's cargo.



# Running for Macmillan

Report by: Jennifer Bailey

On 2nd October, President of Silloth Bowling Club, David Spence is planning an attempt at The Cumbrian Run in Carlisle.

His reasons for making this attempt in support of Macmillan Cancer Trust are, in his own words: "I didn't choose this charity, it chose me. Earlier this year, a young niece of mine was diagnosed with terminal cancer at the age of 44 years. Her name is Catherine Adams Greenway. Catherine was married on May 21st this year and I was honoured to give her away. I have seen at first hand the hard work and dedication shown by the nurses who

look after Catherine, seven days a week and have decided to give Macmillan something back for the work which I know, is a great comfort to Catherine?

David went on to say that every penny he is able to raise through his efforts will help this charity to carry on with all their passionate and dedicated work in helping more people deal with this horrible illness.

David (59) who works at The Solway Village Holiday Park and is married to Margaret, has two sons, the elder, Gavin, living in Glasgow, started fitness training eight months ago, when his younger son Calum (16) decided to apply to join the RAF and needed

to raise his fitness levels and lose weight in order to accomplish his ambition. The pair then joined the gym at Stanwix Park for a while and also cycled and ran in and around Silloth, both achieving remarkable results. He has the full support of all his family and, after managing to reduce his weight by 4½ stones during his training, says that after the half marathon attempt, he is determined to continue with his exercise regime as he feels much healthier and more invigorated.

Watch this space for results of the run and, of course, all donations will be very gratefully received, you can contact David on 016973

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# Supporting Knoxwood



Report by: Jennifer Bailey

A day of fundraising in Carlisle by kind permission of Sainsbury's, who not only allowed Knoxwood Wildlife Rescue Trust to have stalls in the entrance hall, but also donated prizes for the Tombola.

Isobel was selling
"Hogwash" soaps and beauty
preparations - all free from
animal testing of course and
Emma was outside the doors
dressed up in a fox suit with a

very fetching foxy face, giving folk the opportunity to put a donation in the bucket.

Enda Keaveney ran the Tombola stall for the day and a long day it was. Isobel started at 8:30am and they all stayed until 5:30pm. It was all part of the hard work done by the Scott family plus volunteers and friends, to raise desperately needed funds to house, protect and heal our wildlife which sometimes needs our help to

survive

The Knoxwood Wildlife Rescue Trust operates their sanctuary between Thursby and Wigton and accepts any kind of wildlife which has fallen on hard times through illness or injury. Animals are sent to Knoxwood from all over the country due to the expert care and attention they are guaranteed to receive from George and Isobel Scott, their family and team at Knoxwood.

# Alison Welton Partner, Kerrie Allison Business Development Manager and Hannah Cundall Marketing Senior with the GNAAS team at the Langwathby base Following a hugely Alison Welton, Partner Allen and are excited to worl

**David Allen Chooses Charity** 

Following a hugely successful first year of operating a Charity of the Year initiative where more than £23,000 was raised for two local hospices, the staff at David Allen have voted The Great North Air Ambulance Service (GNAAS) as their new charity Partner from September 2016.

GNAAS operates three helicopters, 365 days a year, across Cumbria, the North-East and North Yorkshire with the crew responding to around 1,000 call outs each year. On board each aircraft are specialist trauma doctors and paramedics, who bring accident and emergency expertise to the scene.

GNAAS is charitably funded and therefore they ensure they make the best possible use of the money available to them by acting primarily for life-threatening or potentially life-threatening incidents.

at the firm said: "As a wellknown, reputable employer across Cumbria, David Allen recognises the importance of giving something back to the communities in which we live and work. GNAAS are saving lives across our County and given the rural location of our Cumbrian economy we couldn't think of a better charity to support! We are delighted to be working with GNAAS over the next year and have lots of events and activities planned to boost our fundraising."

Grahame Pickering MBE, Chief Executive from GNAAS: "We are honoured to have been chosen by David Allen and are excited to work with the team over the year ahead. Last year, we attended 462 incidents from our base at Langwathby, near Penrith. This simply would not have been possible without the support of the local community and businesses such as David Allen. The money raised will allow us to be there for patients in their time of need and we would like to thank everyone at the firm for thinking of us."

To learn more about the David Allen Charity of the Year initiative or to apply to be next year's chosen charity visit www.david-allen.co.uk/about-us/community or call 01228 711888.

## **Major Search Operation**



Report by: Sue Kent, RNLI

A 999 call to the Coastguard of a sighting of a person in the water opposite Long House, Skinburness sparked a major search and rescue operation on Thursday 15th September.

Nothing was found after an extensive search between Allonby Bay and Grune Point.

Silloth RNLI lifeboat,

two RNLI Lifeboats from Workington, Coastguard units from Maryport and Burgh by Sands, two boats from Maryport Rescue and a Sikorsky S92 Coastguard helicopter from Prestwick took part. A shore search on foot was also conducted by Silloth lifeboat crew and Coastguard teams. Thanks to everyone involved a marvellous team effort.

#### THE CHARITY SHOP

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# Charity Night Finale!

Over the last 20 years Mick Satterthwaite has organised various charity nights, raising in the excess of £25,000 for charity. This has only been possible with the support of local people within the town of Silloth and the surrounding areas.

Mick has decided he is going to arrange one last charity night finale, and then going to bow out. So this time Mick has managed to book two live bands and a disco.

This event will be held on Saturday 19th November, at Stanwix Holiday Park, Silloth with an 8pm start.

The bands Mick has been able to get for this charity night are the very popular Ruby's Runawayz from Carlisle and also The Wanderer's from Newcastle. There will be a good variation of music from 50`s / 60`s / 70`s and Rockabilly. There will also be a disco with the popular Andy Johnstone.

Ticket prices are £6 in advance or £7 on the door. These will be available from Stanwix Holiday Park, Winters Newsagents and from Mick.

Mick has decided this time, rather than the money raised going to just one charity, he is going to split it up into various charities within Silloth and the surrounding areas.

If you are a charity, group

or organisation who would like to be considered for a share of this money, please send Mick an email telling him about your group or organisation and what you would use the money for.

Mick would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who has supported and helped over the years, all those businesses and people that have donated raffle prizes. Also Jimmy Slater and Rue & the Rockets, also the DI's who have helped make these charity nights a success. Mick would also like to thank the management at Stanwix Park also to Peter at the Solway Buzz for all their help and advertising.

If anyone would like to donate a raffle prize or would like further information please contact myself Mick Satterthwaite on Tel 016973 32682 / 07740 771622 or email: Micks1465@gmail.com



# St Andrews Cream Tea



Report by: Jennifer Bailey

On 27th August there was the opportunity for anyone interested in scrummy food, to partake of a delicious cream tea organised by Kirstine Proud and her merry band of helpers.

There were no end of takers for this treat and a very friendly hubbub of chatter ensued as folk munched their way through fruit or plain scones, with jam and lashings of cream,

endless pots of tea and with sandwiches and cakes to buy and take home if you so desired (I did).

The cream tea itself was to be had for the sum of £3 and there were raffle tickets to buy with a wide range of prizes for the lucky winners (I didn't). There were lots of folk in the hall for the first event of a very full Carnival weekend and also included were two lovely and very well behaved dogs, Bearded Collie Ruari who belonged

to the vicar and his wife, so he was very well behaved, and an extremely cute little Westie called Daisy, who waited patiently for any titbits which may come her

The Raffle was called by Ruari's Dad - the Rev. Harkison - and all the prizes happily received by those lucky winners.

A very good start to Carnival weekend and a lovely social occasion to meet and chat with friends.

# Saturday 19th November 2016 Saturday 19th November 2016 Stanwik Park / 8nm Stanwik Park / 8nm Stanwik Park / 8nm Stanwik Park / 8nm Fork reception, Winter newspers & Mick Soffnerwalte. Charity Night Finale! Stanwik Park, Silloth, 8pm - late. Ruby's Runawayz, The Wanderer's & 50s, 60s, 70s & Rockabilly Disco! All money raised will be donated to local charities, groups & organisations.

# New Silloth-Maryport Bus Timetable

Reays Coaches bus timetable for the Silloth / Maryport number 60 service has been reduced to just three buses each way.

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Maryport, Curzon St 09:50 13:50 17:50 14:00 Allonby 10:00 18:00 Mawbray 10:05 14:05 18:05 **Beckfoot** 14:08 18:08 10:08 Blitterlees 10:12 14:12 18:12 Silloth, Criffel Street 14:18 10:18 Skinburness 10:25 14:25 Changes to Service 38 at Silloth and continues on to Skinburness & Wigton Skinburness 10:26 14:26 Silloth, Criffel Street 07:31 10:31 14:31 Silloth, Eden Street 07:33 10:33 14:33 **Blitterlees** 07:37 10:37 14:37 07:39 14:39 Beckfoot 10:39 Mawbray 07:42 10:42 14:42 Allonby 07:46 10:46 14:46 Maryport, Rail Station 07:57 10:57 14:57 07:59 14:59 Maryport, Curzon St 10:59



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Report & Photos by: Lesley Hope & **Audrey Maddison** 

# Silloth Community Craft Show



trophies were:

Lacey Jayne Hope & Lola Hoodless Tracey Wood

Audrey Maddison

Molly Lomas

Tony Reid

Tracey Wood The winners of the Cross Stitch class trophies sponsored by Silloth on Solway Charity Shop were Wendy Mathers

Childrens:

Baking: Handicrafts:

Floral:

1st

2nd

3rd

Garden Produce:

the show a success.

first time.

Overall Points in show:

Mary Hoskins

Hazel Robinson

Thank you to all who entered, visited or helped in any way making

It was lovely to welcome people

who were entering the show for the

Feedback from the show is









other people's handiwork especially in the handicrafts section, even encouraging some to take up a new



hobby, so look out for next year's schedule in the Solway Buzz or our Facebook page and come along to share your skills.

Class Title	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3rd
Children's handwriting	Lola Hoodless	Amber Hagan	Ella Bosward
Junk Model	Lacey Jayne Hope		
4 Dropped Scones	Tracey wood	Hazel Robinson	
4 Fruit Scones	Tracey wood	Hazel Robinson	Natalie Wood
4 Shortbread	Hazel Robinson	Wendy Mathers	Tracey Wood
4 Pieces Traybake - uncooked	Natalie Wood	Tracey Wood	Beatrice Henderson
4 Pieces Traybake cooked	Tracey Wood	Wendy Mathers	Natalie Wood
4 Pieces of Gingerbread	Hazel Robinson	Tracey Wood	Wendy Mathers
A Victoria Sponge	Hazel Robinson	Natalie wood	Beatrice Henderson
Home made loaf – trad method	Natalie Wood	Tracey wood	
Home made loaf - machine	Tracey Wood	Natalie Wood	J Bailey
Marmalade	Jimmy Maddison	Hazel Robinson	Tracey Wood
Blackcurrant jam	Molly Lomas	Hazel Robonson	Tracey Wood
Present for newly married couple	Rebecca Farrell	Tracey Wood	D Bailey
Patchwork cot cover	Jennifer Savelio	Molly Lomas	
Home made wreath	Tracey Wood	Jean Wilson	Margaret Spence
Cross Stitch Picture	Wendy Mathers	Mary Hoskins	Hazel Robinson
Article of Beadwork	Molly Lomas	Jean Wilson	
Article made from a kit	Jennifer Savelio	Tracey Wood	Enda Keaveney
Decopatch or decoupage item	Molly Lomas		***
Watercolour Painting	J Bailey	Hazel Robinson	David Catton
Photograph with caption	Jimmy Maddison	Ken Warwick	Lesley Hope
Single Rose	Hazel Robinson	Beatrice Henderson	Jimmy Maddison
6 Sweet Peas	Audrey Maddison	Jimmy Maddison	Andrew Maddison
Foliage Houseplant	Audrey Maddison	Molly Lomas	Jimmy Maddison
Flowering Houseplant	Molly Lomas	Tracey Wood	Jimmy Maddison
Flower Arrangement in an	Tracey wood	Molly Lomas	Hazel Robinson
unusual container			
3 White Potatoes	Tracey Wood	Jimmy Maddison	lirving
3 Coloured Potatoes	Tony Reid	Jimmy Maddison	Tracey wood
3 Carrots	Tony Reid	K Proud	Jimmy Maddison
3 Beetroots	Jimmy Maddison	Tracey Wood	Tony Reid
3 Onions	Jimmy Maddison	Tony Reid	Tracey Wood
3 Leeks	Jimmy Maddison	Tony Reid	
5 Cherry Tomatoes	Tony Reid	Jimmy Maddison	Hazel Robinson
5 Tomatoes	Jimmy Maddison	Tony Reid	-
Cucumber	Tony Reid	Tracey Wood	Jimmy Maddison
6 Runner Beans	Tony Reid	Jimmy Maddison	Tracey Wood
5 Shallots	Jimmy Maddison	Tony Reid	-
5 Diff Vegetables in a box	Tony Reid	Sophie Stalker	Jimmy Maddison
An unusual looking vegetable	Tracey Wood	Hazel Robinson	Tony Reid
3 Hen Eggs	Theresa Warwick	Tracey Wood	Tom Stalker

Silloth Community Craft Show 2016 winners

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# Silloth Music & Beer Festival 2016



































# Silloth Carnival 29th August 2016

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Around the world in just a few shops, as carnival day approached the shops started to get in the spirit by decorating their windows. From New York to Japan the windows had it all, as usual great creativity was put in to the windows, from a collection of small dolls in different

countries national dress to hand made canvases and pillows. On Friday 26th August our mystery

judge went round and it was a hard decision to make but there could only be one winner: Little Gems with their New York theme.

Emporium with their Jamaican theme and Knoxwood Charity Shop for their world theme. In third place was SOSCS with their

A big thank you to everyone who took part, our mystery judge and also Deputy Mayor John Cook for presenting the prizes.

Outgoing Queen Ruby handed the mace over to Queen for 2016 Keira Brown who is supported by Ladies in Waiting Liberty Hagan and Freya Hagan Report by: Mandy Kerr fundraising events as without all of

The Carnival Committee would like to thank everyone who attended the Carnival this year. We had the weather on our side and feel the day was a great success. We hope you all enjoyed the entertainment that was on all around the Green, there has been great feedback about Mr Buble and the Horses of the Knight.

Thank you to all the floats, dancers and people in fancy dress who were part of the parade - you all looked absolutely amazing, thank you to our Queen, Keira and her attendants and thank you to our retiring Queen, Ruby.

Thank you to everyone who bought and sold our programmes (kindly printed by Stanwix Holiday Park) and to everyone who bought

and sold our raffle tickets.

10th Shrek – Julie Osborn

We would like to take this

opportunity to send a special thanks

to Marisa Maietta for helping with

the road closure, and a huge thank

raffle prizes, cash donations, food

you to everyone who donated

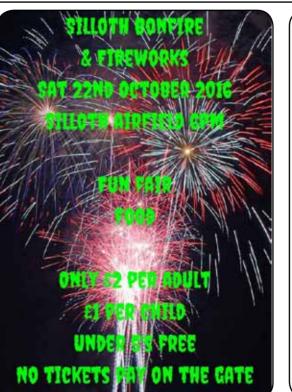
this the Carnival would not go ahead. The winners of the raffle are: 1st £150 – April Walsh We are already in the planning stages for next year and have decided 2nd Weekend tickets to Beer Festival x 2 – Peggie Richardson that next year's theme will be "THE 3rd £50 – Mr & Mrs Brennan CIRCUS". 4th £20 - Argos Voucher - Fiona

We will be holding our AGM on Tuesday 1st November, 7:30pm at 5th Whiskey – Mr Maher the Space. All are welcome to attend 6th Vodka – Dianne Shaw and join the committee – if you 7th Olaf – Michelle Forrester do not wish to join the committee 8th Red Wine – Tiffany Housby we would be extremely grateful for 9th Nerf Gun – Mrs Hall volunteers on the day.

Watch out for future fundraising

events coming soon..... Also, two of our Committee Members Adam Marcinkowski and Michelle Hodgson are tying the knot this month, we would like to wish this special couple good luck on their







Mothers Union Day Trip to Garrion Bridges Garden & Antique Centre & Silver Birch Garden Centre On Saturday 15th October 2016

Wigton, St Mary's Church at 8.30am (Times are approximate)

> Names and £10 deposit please to Brenda Sim 016973 61224 or





Report by: Margaret English

Fund-raisers joined the RNLI crew in a real Fun Day of Peter Pan and pirates. The Peter Pan boat was filled with children and ably driven by Andrew Stanley in his jeep.

Derek Fleet a long-time supporter of the RNLI at Silloth came up from Manchester to lend a hand. Buckets were everywhere and £658 was collected.

A fantastic sum, thanks to everyone who helped make the day such a success and great fun. The support is really appreciated by us

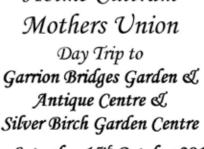
Congratulations to Mandy Kerr and her committee on the success of this years carnival.

It was very pleasing to have the return of the Cumberland & Westmorland wrestling to Silloth. I understand this was due the efforts

of Committee member Kelly Hillier along with Ashley and Wendy Harrison and their friends Paul and Gillian Gibson. A large crowd watched some

very skilled wrestling. Good result hope it continues in





Leaving - Silloth, Community Centre at 8.00am Abbeytown, Harrison's Store at 8.15am,

Anita Norman 016973 61113



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Please let us know of any changes within this section

#### Doors Open Lunch

'Our Doors Open' meets in St Andrews Church every Tuesday from noon to 1pm for a light lunch with good fellowship for a donation only.

#### First Responders

Silloth Community First Responders train on the first and third Tuesday of every month in Silloth Community Centre at 7pm.

#### NatWest Mobile

The NatWest mobile van will be outside Silloth Community Centre on Mondays from 1pm to 2:15pm and Fridays from 9:45am to 11:30am.

#### Blencogo Art Group

Every Monday from 1:30-4:30pm in Blencogo Village Hall where members help each other. Refreshments provided, regular outings, tel 016973 61158 or

#### Bridge Group

Meet on Wednesday evenings from 7 till 9pm, at the Golf Club to play Duplicate. Information from mike.md@btinternet.com.

#### Slimming World

Saturday Slimming World group in Silloth Primary School at 9am then the second group at 11am Tuesday Slimming World group at Silloth Primary School at 7pm Tel Denise on 07799 708465.

#### Christ Church

For Christ Church baptisms and other church related business please contact: Rev Bryan Rothwell The Vicarage, Wigton Road Tel: 016973 31413

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Abbeytown mobile library will stop outside the Wheatsheaf Inn at 1pm for an hour every Monday

#### **Production Team**

Proprietor: Peter McRobert Barn Cottage Skinburness, CA7 4RA Tel: 016973 32180 Email: office@solwaybuzz.co.uk

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#### Copy date for the Dec issue is: 1st Nov 2016

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

#### Football Training Silloth Football Club

Silloth Sports Hall Juniors (Mini Gulls 4-7 years) Sundays at 10:30 to 11:30am

Open to boys and girls. Membership forms available from all coaches.

#### Men's Team

Tuesdays 7pm to 8pm Netherhall 3G Pitch Cost £1 Thursdays 7pm to 8pm Silloth School Sportshall Cost £1 October to end of March Colin Baty: 016973 34223

#### Abbeytown Girls **Abbeytown Sports Field**

Wednesdays 4-5pm

#### Crafting Group

Interested in crafting? come along to Silloth Crafting Group on Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3:30pm at St Andrews Church Hall.

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For coaching information call David Wise on 07742 547767

#### Kickboxing Club

The Kickboxing Club is held in Christ Church Hall every Thursday night from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. All welcome. www.solwaykickboxing. webeden.co.uk

#### Ladies Fellowship

Silloth Evangelical Free Church, Eden Street Ladies Fellowship is on alternate Thursdays at 1:45pm. Warm fellowship. refreshments, and good speakers. All welcome

#### **Breast-feeding Group**

Mondays 10am to 11:30am Wigton Bowling Club, West Road, Wigton

Have a cup of tea and meet other breast-feeding mums. Support and advice is available from trained Breast-feeding Peer Supporters and from Health Visitors or Midwives. For more information call Wigton

Health Visitors: 016973 66608

#### **Arthritis Support**

Wigton Area Arthritis Support Group meet on 1st Friday each month at West Street Bowling Club, Wigton @ 1:30pm, details from Gladys 016973 43964

#### Martial Arts

Silloth Dragons Mixed Martial Arts Club train in Christ Church Hall on Thursdays under 12's 6:45pm to 7:30pm 12's & over 7:30pm to 8:30pm NEW MEMBERS WELCOME For further details contact Stephen on 07811 761033

# Dates for the Diary

#### September cont'd

Free Legal Advice in St Andrews Hall, Solway Street, 10am to 4pm from Butterworths, see advert

Macmillan Coffee Morning in St Andrews Church Hall from 10:30am to 12:30pm, all welcome to come and enjoy

#### October

Coffee Morning in the Recreation Hall at 10am to noon with Silloth & District

3rd Silloth Town Council meeting in Silloth Community Hall at 7pm

Solway Tea Dances in Westnewton Village Hall from 1:45 to 3:45pm, 07765 961822, all welcome

Wigton Theatre presents It All Started in Vegas by Owen Lightburn

Parkinson's Solway Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel at 11:15am, speaker Susan Allison on Golden Oldies, Lunch at 12:15pm, Tel 016973

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Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

Cumbrian Dialect Competition in the Golf Hotel at 2pm, entry free, see advert Tel: 016973 31246

12th Causewayhead WI meeting in Community Hall at 7:15pm

Fish & Chip Supper in aid of RNLI in Corner Cafe @ 7pm, entry £6 inc table quiz

15th Mothers Union Day Trip - see advert

Solway Tea Dances in Westnewton Village Hall from 1:45 to 3:45pm, 07765 961822, all welcome

U3A meeting at All Hallows Community Centre in Fletchertown. Tel Ó16973 49943

#### Silloth Bonfire

Strawberry Cream Tea in St Andrews Church Hall from 2pm to 4pm

Free Legal Advice in St Andrews Hall, Solway Street, 10am to 4pm from Butterworths, see advert

#### Indoor Bowling

Mondays from 10th October until the end of March from 7pm to 9:30pm in Abbeytown Village Hall

#### **Tourist Information** & Library

#### **Opening Times**

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Local Links desk closes at 4pm

#### November

Silloth Carnival AGM in the Space at 7:30pm

6th Wedding Fayre in Holme cultram Abbey from 10am to 4pm, T: 016973 61015

Morgan & West Magic Show in Culterham Hall at 7:30pm, Tickets £8 adult, £4 child, £18 family, see advert Tel: 016973 31925 to book

Free Legal Advice in St Andrews Hall, Solway Street, 10am to 4pm from Butterworths, see advert

Bazaar/Santas Grotto in St Andrews Church Hall from 10pm to 12 noon

Prize Evening at 30th Solway Community School, 7pm

#### December

Children's Crafts, Christmas cards in St Andrews Church Hall from 2pm to 5pm in St Andrews Church Hall

Silloth Town Council meeting in Silloth Community Hall at 7pm

5th Wigton Theatre presents Aladdin by Pat Conlan

Wigton Theatre 6th presents Aladdin by Pat Conlan

U3A meeting at All Hallows Community Centre in Fletchertown. Tel 016973

Parkinson's Solway 7th Group meeting in Wheyrigg Hall Hotel at 11:15am, speaker Cantrix, Christmas Lunch at 12noon followed by entertainment, Tel 016973

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8th Causewayhead WI meeting in Community Hall at 2pm (AGM)

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> Do you have an event in the area bounded by Abbeytown, Mawbray, Silloth, Skinburness, if so please let us know.

# Wigton Cancer Support

Open to anyone who has/is living with cancer or anyone caring for someone with cancer. Feel free to drop in for a chat and refreshments any time between 2pm and 5pm on the second Wednesday of each month, at Wigton Bowling Club. For further information please

contact: Gill Edmondson Tel: 016973 71696

#### RNLI Shop

Monday

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by volunteers and may not be open at the advertised times - we do apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

#### December cont'd

Crunch Service at Skinburness Road Car Park from 8am to 9:45am

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British Heart Foundation, registered charity in England and Wales (22597i) and in Scotland (SC009426).

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#### Sewing Circle

Have you cloths you don't wear don't like or don't fit properly? Come along to Silloth Sewing Circle on a Thursday afternoon from 1pm to 3pm at St Andrews Church Hall opposite the Co-op. We will teach you to alter and make cloths and furnishings for the family.

Just £2 and you get tea/coffee and biscuits

#### Silloth Tots/Toddlers

Silloth Tots & Toddlers meet in the Children's Centre, Silloth and is open to all children aged from 0 to 4 accompanied by a parent/carer

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Silloth Evangelical Free Church, Eden Street Wednesday Bunch. at 5pm every Wednesday, (except in school holidays) Fun, bible stories, quizzes, craft, games for 5-11s

Wednesday Bunch

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Opening hours are 9am to 3pm on a Tuesday and Thursday, when a member of staff would hope to be present.

and must be arranged and pre booked. Contact numbers:

# A Buzz Eye View of Skinburness



# **Your Letters**

Dear Buzz,

I would like to say a heart felt thank you to the couple who helped me on Thursday 18th August on Criffel Street, Silloth where I had a very bad fall. Thankfully there was no serious damage done only very bad bruising and a great deal of pain which eventually went. Once again thank you very much for your kindness and I wish with all my heart I could tell you personally.

Kate Compton

Dear Buzz,

PEAT-CUTTING ON THE SOLWAY MOSSES Does anyone remember how and when peat was cut on the Mosses such as Bowness Common, Kirkbride Moss etc? I know peat was still being cut by hand (for fuel but mainly for commercial use) on Kirkbride Moss in the 1950s, then machines took over. What was the name of the original Dutch company that owned Kirkbride Moss? I'd be really glad to hear from anyone who has memories or even

PLEASE REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR CONTACT INFO. practical experience of working on the peat. My phone number is 016973

21967, or you can email me at enquiries@annlingard.com And I've already written something about the Solway Mosses on my Solway Shore Stories website, http://www. solwayshorestories.co.uk/ shore-stories/the-solwaymosses/, in case you're

> Many thanks Ann Lingard

Dear Buzz,

interested!

Through your pages, I would like to thank everyone for their kindness and many cards of condolence at the sad passing of my dear Jack recently. Especially the doctors, district nurses and Pam from the Silloth Practice. They gave Jack the care and dignity he deserved in his last few days. To Joan and Hughie for their respect and help at a very difficult time. To Margaret for the lovely service and to my family, friends and neighbours for their support, I couldn't have coped without any of you.

> Love and thank you Jenny Sheene

Dear Buzz,

DO YOU HAVE A POEM OR LETTER FOR THE BUZZ?

WE WELCOME ALL SUBMISSIONS.

Sue Hayman, our MP held a surgery in the Community Hall, Silloth on 3rd September.

More than twenty people attended and actively discussed problems with the local Bus Service, the Condition of our roads and heavy transport, Wigton Hospital and the Health Service, West Beach, Tourism and other topics. I was somewhat appalled that not one Silloth Councillor attended. No-one from the County Council or even Parish Councils in the surrounding areas were there. Since then I have been informed that some were on holiday but given that the event was organised some time ago and advertised in the Buzz last month I would have thought a little bit of consideration be shown to our MP. We desperately need help from who-ever is appointed and who is in power. I see a negative attitude as one of the reasons we are still living in the backwoods. It's hardly surprising that there is apathy from townsfolk when the very people that are appointed to serve your needs cannot be bothered to turn out for a discussion like this. One of the Silloth Councillors left work early and managed to get in to see Sue

Let's start to work together, sing off the same hymn sheet and put Silloth on Solway on the map.

Hayman before she left. Well

Bill James, Bank Mill

# **Poems**

Beneath our favourite tree by Andrew Bennie

My heart it begins to ache As I sit here beneath our favourite tree I dream of the times that you sat here with me I remember when we laughed we sang and we talked But most of all when we held hands and walked

I used to steal a kiss or two it was wonderful Just to touch your lips was unforgetful I miss you and want you back in my life I never got the chance to ask you to be my wife I often wonder how it would have been You in your white dress For the whole of the world to have seen.

I remember the first time I saw you dance I could do nothing but stand and stare You had me in a unforgettable trance My legs grew weak my heart it missed a beat I knew I had to take a chance I moved forward and asked you to dance

When you said yes and the music started to play slow I held you in my arms I didn't want to let you go Oh what a night I walked you home I asked if I could see you again You answered yes of course when

We were so happy for a few years Then that terrible day came My world fell apart I cried a river of tears They said that you only had a short time to live I knew then to you everything I would give

Then came that dreaded time you had to go You held my hand you told me you loved me so I told you that I didn't want you to leave For I loved you with every breath so stay, please

As you close your eyes and slipped away As long as I live I will never forget that day But I still come and sit below our tree I talk to you for my dearest darling You are the most special thing That ever happened to me

I love you and always will

The Lifeboat Volunteer by Mrs. Jennifer Bailey

I'm being chucked in at the deep end, The deep end being the sea. They say they'll come back with their big orange boat And pluck me from peril you see!

I'm being chucked in at the deep end To show folk on shore what they do. The bit where they throw me into the drink's Not really the part which is true!

I'm being chucked in at the deep end They've told me they WILL haul me out, But if they don't, I've a long way to swim And I'll look like a whale with a spout.



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This month the winner is Keira **Brown from** Silloth Primary School with a bee drawing called "Snapchat Bee".

Well done!



**Opening Times** 

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Library &

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facebook.com/silloth-carnival Any other suggestions of sites useful for our visitors, please send them to the Buzz at: office@solwaybuzz.co.uk

You don't have to be at school here to send a bee to us. If you are here on holiday we would love to receive your bee drawing. Pick up a form from Silloth Tourist Information and return it there or send it to the Buzz, our address on page 10.





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# On the Water Front

Report by: Captain Slog

August 2016 Shipping

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10th Sea Ruby from Antwerp with Fertilizer then to Belfast

14th Verity from Londonderry with F.B.A. then to Dublin 15th Rimini from

Amsterdam with Fertilizer then to Raynes Jetty 30th Baltic Sailor from Klaipeda/Ayr with Fertilizer then to Belfast (Part Cargo With Ayr)

#### Irish Cattle Imports at Silloth

Shipping services between

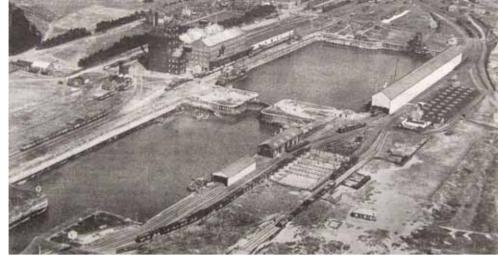
the upper Solway ports of Port Carlisle and Annan, to the Irish ports of Dublin and Belfast, were first established in 1838. The ships on this service routinely carried passenger and freight. When the newly built port at Silloth opened for business in 1859, these services moved there, where the enclosed dock and associated transport facilities were of a higher standard. Consequently, a certain amount of livestock also started arriving at Silloth from Ireland, especially from Dublin. Young Irish 'stock' cattle were much in demand in the UK, for breeding purposes to improve the quality of British herds. Quantities of young 'store' cattle also arrived, for fattening before going to market. These animals were carried below decks, packed tightly in specially built pens where they were encouraged to remain standing during the sometimes unsteady passage across the Irish Sea. An animal that lay down was likely to get crushed. At Silloth Dock, a basic lairage facility, (accommodation or resting place for animals, especially at docks or markets), was constructed on the south side of the dock, consisting then of open cattle

pens.
The sea journey for these animals could be a risky business. In 1871, the 'Countess of Eglinton,' bound from Dublin to Silloth, was wrecked at Langness Point on the Isle of Man. The passengers on board were rescued, but there was a considerable loss of the livestock, which could not be brought to safety.

When the 'Yarrow' was introduced on the Silloth – Dublin Service in 1893, she was purpose built to carry livestock below decks.

The lairage facilities at Silloth were much improved in 1913, with extensive covered pens being built to shelter these valuable animals, as they rested following their voyage from Ireland and before being sold to markets around Scotland and the north of England.

Silloth 1929, the lairage



Silloth 1929, the lairage and cattle pens to the right of both docks

and cattle pens are to the right of both docks.

The business of regularly importing Irish cattle grew and thrived right up until WWII, when in 1943, the 'Yarrow' was taken off the Irish Sea route and started trading between Ireland and Spain. After WWII, the slump of the cattle trade through Silloth meant that the lairage facilities gradually fell into disrepair.

It was not until 1967, that the 'Tynedale Auction Mart Ltd, based at Hexham, saw the potential for restarting the cattle importing business through Silloth Docks. Following discussions with the port owners 'British Transport Docks Board, a lease was granted to build a modern cattle lairage on the south side of the New Dock, almost in the same position as the original lairage buildings. On 28th May 1968, Wigton Rural District Council approved the construction of a lairage building, offices, a loading dock and a separate hay shed. An old and partially collapsed wooden transit shed that stretched the length of the dock was demolished to make room for the new lairage, which would cost approximately £50,000 and could hold up to 600 head of cattle, in 36 pens. The pre-fabricated structure was quickly assembled and then officially opened on 26th July 1968, by The Rt Hon. T.F. Peart, MP and Leader of the House of Commons, accompanied by local MP William Whitelaw. Mr Wallace Bisset was appointed as the Lairage Foreman, whilst the Silloth Dock Master, Captain Nicholl, was appointed as the first Lairage Superintendent. On the Opening Day, the m.v. 'Johanna Buittelaar' was alongside the cattle berth to enable guests to view a modern 'cattle-boat'. No cattle were present at this grand

Once the new lairage facility was fully up and running, is was ambitiously anticipated that it would soon be to accepting up to 3,000 head of cattle per week, with two ships arriving each day. The first of such shipments was a vessel called the 'Eemsmund', arriving with 300 animals from the Irish port of Greenore. All

opening event!



Irish cattle arriving at Silloth

went well at the lairage for a while, but by the middle of 1969, cattle shipments were becoming intermittent and the lairage was being called a 'white elephant' by some. The arrival of cattle dried up altogether until March 1970, when a deal were struck with Irish exporter M.J. Towie & Co and shipments restarted, reaching 10,000 head in 1970.

New record levels were reached in 1971, when 7,000 were received in the first 3 months, with 30-40 thousand expected for the whole year. Silloth became the main distribution centre for Irish cattle in the north of the UK. By 1972 the import figure was expected to reach 60,000 head, involving two or three shipments each week of around 600 head per ship. Plans were in hand to expand the lairage, but the National Dock Strike in August, lasting 3-4 weeks, brought all imports to a halt temporarily. Expansion plans were put on hold.

In 1974, with large numbers of Irish cattle entering the country again and depressing the market for British farmers, there were threats by northern farmers to picket the port of Silloth, in an effort to reduce or stop these cattle imports. A deal must have been struck, as by 1977 the imports were back to original levels, with many of the cargoes now coming from the Irish port of Greenore.

With continuing good prospects on cattle imports, Tynedale Auction Marts decided to expand the Silloth lairage facility in 1978, by building an extension capable of holding an extra 200 animals. In 1980 they also purchased their own cattle ship, the 'Tynedale One'.

Also in 1980, an inclined section was cut into the quay wall to facilitate easier discharge of the animals during neap-tide periods.

Unfortunately, this also turned out to be the year of a national slump in trade. Cattle import numbers were halved and it was around the time when Franz Buitelaair (Boston) took over the cattle import business. Despite a setback in 1984 when the lairage hay-store was burnt down, confidence remained high. However, this event must have been a harbinger of doom, unrealised at the time. By 1985, imports of Irish cattle had almost ceased altogether, with the rapid decline blamed on recent changes in EEC agricultural policies. The lairage buildings were kept in good order, in the forlorn hope that the business would recover. But this was not to be; and in August 1989, the familiar cattle carrier 'Tynedale One' was sold to new owners in Vigo, Portugal. Once again, the lairage facility slowly fell into disrepair, used just occasionally for storage of other port imports or exports. And so ends the story of a lucrative import business for the port of Silloth, which had lasted for many years and provided employment for many local people. There was a brief reprieve

for the lairage facility in the mid 1990's when a number of South American alpacas, valued for their wool, arrived and found a temporary home there. The buildings and pens were spruced up to receive these delightful animals, which had been flown into Manchester airport and brought to Silloth for quarantine purposes, before being sold to breeders all over the country. Several of the females were pregnant, giving birth to their single offspring, known as a cria, whilst being cared for at Silloth Docks by Mr Wallace Bisset, the man who had managed this particular lairage at Silloth since it was first built in 1968.

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# Silloth is a Cumbria in Bloom Winner

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The Cumbria in Bloom Awards took place at the North Lakes Hotel in Penrith on Thursday 8 September 2016. A strong contingent from Silloth attended the Awards ceremony and were delighted with some brilliant results.

Silloth-on-Solway has won the Cumbria in Bloom Coastal Resort Trophy for the third year running and achieved a Gold Award. In addition, Silloth won the Friends of the Lake District Trophy for the Best Sustainable Development Town, the Allerdale Trophy for "Best in Borough" and the Rickerby Ltd Trophy, as Best Overall Town and Urban Community.

The Discovery Centre garden which is looked after by the Causewayhead WI ladies was runner up in the Special Category for the Continental Landscapes Trophy. Silloth Golf Club was runner up for the Cumbria Tourism Rose Bowl awarded to Self-catering Establishments & Visitor Attractions.

In addition, the
Community Garden and the
Heritage Rose & Bee Garden
were individual winners of the
Royal Horticultural Society
'It's Your Neighbourhood'
Awards, each gaining a
Level 5 'Outstanding' result.
The Heritage Rose and Bee
Garden was also winner of the
Royal Horticultural Society
'It's Your Neighbourhood'
National Certificate of
Distinction.

Vivian Russell was recognised for her 'Outstanding contribution to Cumbria in Bloom' with a 'joint' Community Champion Award, which acknowledges



all the hours she has spent working on the Heritage Rose and Bee Garden, planting of the flower beds and planters on Criffel Street and supporting the various Silloth in Bloom projects this year.

Bill Jefferson, Chairman of Silloth in Bloom Community Group, Chair of Silloth Parks Committee and Allerdale Executive Portfolio Holder for Tourism attended today's Cumbria in Bloom awards ceremony. He said after the event: "I am delighted that Silloth has been recognised with such a cluster of important awards. It reflects the new level which Silloth has reached over the past four years and is a credit to all members of our community, especially the volunteers and the town team. My thanks to them all."

In recent years, Silloth has won several Cumbria in Bloom Awards but being told that Silloth had been nominated as a finalist in the UK wide RHS 'Britain in Bloom' Campaign has encouraged even more businesses, volunteers and local groups to get involved and the 'Silloth in Bloom' team was formed. The clear aim was to continue supporting existing volunteer projects and take innovative new ideas forward prior to judging day









# Tide Tables

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# Vote for Our Grace

When Grace's mum Emma Bennett first saw the Junior Miss Cumbria competition advertised she immediately thought of her daughter Grace, not because she is beautiful, but because she is very shy and has little confidence around people outside of her friends and family.

When Emma said to Grace from Abbeytown about entering she was nervous, but the idea of doing something she has a real interest in made her change her mind.

Grace got the call last week to say she had made the final which will be held at Harraby Community Theatre on 12th November (the day after her 14th birthday), but first she has to meet everyone at an activity day on the 2nd October to get more of an insight into what to expect, but most importantly meet new friends and enjoy the day. This will be a massive thing for Grace to do on her own and she is already really nervous about it.

We don't have the voting information yet, and she will have her own Facebook page for the final which will be advertised via social media

all the details.

Grace will be doing

couple of months for Variety

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Silloth Tennis Club coaching is now on Thursday evenings from 5:30pm to 6:30pm at the Skinburness Road Courts until October half term then indoors for the winter in the Sports Hall.

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north west, and all I ask is for some support from the local community to help Grace with this fantastic achievement.



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# Solid Start for Silloth AFC



Silloth AFC after the game against Windscale Reserves in Egremont where Silloth won 7-1 in the Conway Cup

Report by: Colin Baty

Silloth AFC open age team has already started their Season in the Premier Division of the Cumberland County League.

Before then they had four friendly fixtures.

First one being at home against Northbank Carlisle of the Northern Alliance League and Silloth managed a 2-2 draw with goals from Reece Blake and Brian Hayhurst, Man of the Match Stuart Johnson. Then came Unison Athletic and Silloth won 3-1 with goals from Reece Blake, Carl Lightfoot and Spencer Irving, Man of the Match, Ken Lau. Then an away game against Borough of Workington which we lost 4-2, goals from Andrew Trestrianu and Adam Carr, Man of the match, Oliver Carr. And finally a wake up call against Pirelli of Carlisle and a 7-2 defeat, goals from Andy Hardman and Stuart Johnson, man of the match Shaun Clark.

So plenty of questions still not answered from those games, but they went into the first game of the League away to Wigton Harriers

on 13th August and after being 2-0 down fought back to draw 2-2 with both goals from Andrew Trestrianu, Man of the Match Stuart Johnson. So a good start to the season which will be a tough one against very good teams. Next on 20th August, a rained off game at Whitehaven Miners was switched to the ever reliable pitch at Silloth and the Seagulls won 4-0 with goals from Lewis Mulla and three from Adam Carr, Man of the match was Calvin Rowell.

Over bank holiday weekend Silloth played away to Aspatria on 27th August, and in an extremely tight game lost 1-0 over a debatable goal that most thought was offside, Man of the match being 'keeper Luke Stockdale. And finally in August Silloth played on Wednesday night 31st at the Bastion against Carlisle City Reserves in a highly pulsating game somehow losing 1-0 on a night when Silloth created chance after chance but just couldn't find the back of the net, Man of the match Carl

So, after the first month

of games, Silloth have four points from four games, a solid start with positives everywhere, the only thing at the moment is finishing some of their chances, they especially need to score in the first half to give themselves more confidence throughout the remainder of the game. Silloth player of the month for August is Captain, Stuart Johnson.

Silloth have played two games in September. First up they played Borough of Workington in the Conway Cup and after a sometimes lethargic performance won 4-1 with goals coming from Adam Carr 2, Shaun Clark 1 and Jamie Dixon 1. Man of the Match Adam Carr. On the 20th September under the floodlights at Egremont, Silloth beat Windscale Reserves again in the Conway Cup, 7-1 with goals coming from: Lewis Mulla 2 and Man of the Match, Adam Carr 1, Andy Hardman 1, Reece Blake 1, Nico Watt 1 and an own goal.

They now go into the Quarter Finals of the Conway Cup.

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# Come and Join Abbeytown Archers

Report by: Frank Reid

Established in March 2015, the club is going from strength to strength.

With Archery taking place in the summer months on the Recreational field in Abbeytown every Monday, the popularity of the sport has spread. We now have members from: Longtown, Carlisle, Silloth, Aspatria, Wigton and surrounding areas. As well as having all the equipment needed for you, we also have a very warm and friendly atmosphere in the club.

On any fine Monday evening you will find up to forty people on the shooting line, with every type of bow being represented. From state of the art Compound bows to Longbows, Horsebows and of course the Recurve bow.

With the advent of the darker nights now, the club is moving indoors as of the 12th September, and we can be found in Holm Cultram Abbey C of E School in Abbeytown. Still on Monday evenings, with juniors shooting from 6pm to 7:15pm and adults from 7:15pm to 8:45pm. Session fees remain unchanged since our beginning, with Adults at £3 and Juniors (under 18) £1. We believe in making

the sport accessible and affordable to everyone, and all are welcome.

In July we held our first annual summer competition for members, and medals and trophies were won in various categories, this was followed by a buffet evening and awards ceremony.

Abbeytown Carnival day saw members of the club on the Recreational field offering a 'Have-a-Go' with rubber





Frank with Reece special reward for effort & improvement

tipped arrows and trying to burst balloons. Not as easy as it looks, but great fun for young and old alike. Our thanks to those who took part, and for their donations to the Carnival fund.

With the demise of Rosley Archery club, we inherited some extra equipment thanks to their generosity, and so we are proud to announce a second venue is to be made available for members of Abbeytown Archers. This will be in Kirkbampton Village Hall, with the first



Frank with Kaz, John and Louise

shoot being organised for Wednesday 14th September, 7:45–9:15pm. This is for Adults and competent (accompanied) juniors who must be members of Abbeytown Archers, and who have their own Bows, etc. Thereafter every Wednesday throughout the year at the same times.

Anyone interested in

learning this great sport is encouraged to contact us either: via our Facebook page – Abbeytown Archers, or telephone the Secretary on 079 679 62621.

Alternatively, just turn up on a Monday and introduce yourself. We look forward to our next year and hope to see many new faces.



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