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SeaBritain 2005

An Illustrated Exhibition on the History of the Port of Silloth To be held at the Golf Hotel, Silloth, Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st July, from 10am to 4pm

As part of the nationwide SEABRITAIN 2005 maritime event, there is to be an illustrated exhibition of the history of Silloth Docks, presented by Captain Chris Puxley, the Harbour Master at the port. It was the late Norman Hammond, a keen local environmentalist, with an interest in all Solway maritime activities, who first raised the idea of holding such an event.

Situated amid remote coastal sand dunes and at the end of a new branch railway line from Carlisle, Silloth Dock, or the "Marshall Dock" as it was named, was constructed in 1859. It was initially built as a trading facility for the industries in Carlisle, before the national railway network had



been fully established in this region. A one thousand feet long pier extended into the Solway from the dock entrance, providing a berth for shipping at all states of

RNLI Long Service Awards



L-R: Tom Stalker, Eddie Studholme, Jim Blake and Mayor Graham Wilkinson

Silloth Lifeboat Station Saturday 2nd July 2005. Presentation of "Long Service Awards" to two members of the Lifeboat Station.

The awards were presented to the station's tractor driver, Tom Stalker, who joined the team on 1st January 1985 and to station's lifeboat mechanic, Jim Blake, who joined on 1st August 1983. Both having completed more than 20 years service at Silloth Lifeboat Station, they received a "Long Service" badge together with a "Letter of Thanks" signed by the Chief Executive of the RNLI, Andrew Freeman. The awards were presented to Tom and Jim by the Mayor of Silloth, Graham Wilkinson. The presentation took place at Silloth boathouse and was followed by a buffet and refreshments.

the tide. The town of Silloth gradually became established and grew on the back of this bold commercial enterprise. Port Carlisle and the eleven-mile canal link to the city, which had been built 36 years earlier, was proving non-viable as shipping increased in size and busy trading routes were established.

Silloth Dock also had its problems through the years, none more so than when the dock entrance collapsed in 1879. Rising again from that set-back, the "New Dock" was built and completed in 1885. Carrs Flour Mill was built alongside this dock in 1887. Many people will know of the "Yarrow", later renamed "Assaroe", that traded across the Irish Sea, as well as the other small passenger-cargo ships that shuttled between Silloth and Liverpool such as the "Kittiwake" and the "Albatross". Silloth was a busy port throughout both World Wars, exporting a vast tonnage of coal to Ireland and providing a home for air-sea rescue craft that served the RAF airfields in the region. Cattle imports provided work for numerous people, right up to the mid 1980's. The Port of

Silloth has constantly had to adapt to trade requirements, and it is because of that ability that it remains busy and profitable today. Imports of wheat, fertilisers, wood-pulp and molasses provide the main trades today and the "Marshall Dock " still provides a sheltered haven for a small fleet of shrimp boats.

This forthcoming exhibition is based around a very extensive photographic archive, many photographs of which have been loaned from local private collections.

Also at this exhibition there will be a collection of Solway charts, port plans, trading routes to and from Silloth, dock and tug-boat logbooks, maritime artefacts, general and detailed documentation, etc., along with contributions from Associated British Ports, Carrs Milling Industries, Silloth Lifeboat Station, the Coastguard Agency, the Solway Firth Partnership, local ship enthusiasts, fishermen and amateur historians. There will also be an RNLI souvenir stall and refreshments will be available throughout the day from the hotel facilities.

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Our sincere thanks go to all who attended, making it a very memorable and special occasion.



A small entrance fee will be administered by Silloth Rotary Club and this plus any donations will be passed on to Cumbrian charities and worthy causes.

Capt. Chris Puxley, Harbour Master & Port Superintendent. Tel: 016973-31358 Fax: 016973-32709 E: silloth@abports.co.uk

Abbeytown WI

President Audrey Harrison welcomed Averil Dawson and Mana Pookang from Whitehaven Beacon Museum to talk about 'A woman's Place is in the home' at the June meeting.

They had brought lots of items from the museum and showed a beautiful wedding dress from the 1840's which had been mainly hand stitched and covered in lovely hand-crafted lace down the front and sides. There was a very tiny christening bonnet and we were reminded that many babies died young so were christened soon after birth, the christening gown was also very small. In Victorian Britain the working class women had a very hard life with little chance of being educated and so were very dependant on their husbands. Many of the artifacts shown were from homes in Whitehaven but were recognised by many members from their grandma's home. The 'Gentry Ladies' were not expected to work but really had no rights and were dictated to by their husbands and fathers, so we realised how well off we were now and how we should appreciate the freedom we have to vote and speak out for

our rights. Mana was also from the Tourist Information Office and gave out leaflets about the Maritime Festival in Whitehaven.

They were thanked by Margaret Brown. **Refreshments** were served by Margery Blacklock and Elsie Donald. Audrey then thanked Joyce Wilson for the lovely flower arrangement on the Presidents table. Freda Garner read the record of the May meeting and several of the many events in the County News were commented on. Gladys Temple gave a report on her visit to the Royal Albert Hall for the AGM of the NFWI. Last minute details for the elderly peoples tea were worked out and several invitations given out.

As the talk by the Beacon ladies had been so fascinating and so many questions asked the social time was cut so Mrs Dargies group gave out presents to everyone. The winner of the String of Beads competition was 1st Audrey Harrison, 2nd Margaret Mynes, while Margaret Ackerley was 1st with her poppy and Audrey Harrison 2nd with her lupin. Raffle winners were 1st Audrey Harrison, 2nd Margaret Todd, 3rd Margaret Brown, 4th Mary Briggs.

Visitors to Silloth



Turnstones on the steps in front of the Lifeboat Station

These small birds were brought to my attention first by Eric Stanwix who said that he had never seen them before in Silloth. I then received a letter and photograph from Mr N.M. Graham of Thursby also asking about these attractive birds, He had been advised they might have been ringed plovers, which would have been a rare sighting.

They are in fact Turnstones, they follow the waters edge as the tide goes in and out, turning over stones and tide-line debris in search of sand hoppers.

They are quite common in the UK but not previously so in Silloth. Most birds over-winter here and leave around April, so these visitors may have decided Silloth was too good to leave and become permanent and attractive visitors.

Dance Superstars



Back L-R: Stephanie Farish, Lucy Harrison, Aimee Gray, Hannah Story, Dawn Graham. Centre L-R: Sarah Barwise, Sophie Harrison, Dionne Blake, Rachel Wright, Emily Harrison. Front R-L: Rebecca Markley, Rachel Harrison, Sophie Markley, Erin Tilley, Lauren Roper

Report by: K. Markley and Y. Tilley

Pictured are the girls from Silloth and Abbeytown who took great pleasure in performing in the Wendy Allen School of Dance show in Nelson

the end of June. Children aged from just 3 years upwards from this area took part in a terrific performance. Their dance classes are every Wednesday night during term time

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October

Silloth Pensioners 1st Coffee Morning @ 10am in the Recreation Hall

2nd Harvest Weekend in Christ Church -Harvest Service @ 10am

6th North Allerdale Partnership meeting @ 7:30pm The Roval Oak, Wigton

15th Allerdale Crunch service at Silloth Green

November

Silloth Pensioners 5th Christmas Afternoon Tea @ 2pm in St Andrews Hall

Country & Western 11th Festival @ Stanwix Park

12th Country & Western Festival @ Stanwix Park

Country & Western 13th Festival @ Stanwix Park

17th Autumn Sale at Christ Church, Silloth

18th Pop & Rock Tributes @ Stanwix Park

Allerdale Crunch 19th service at Silloth Green

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26th Silloth Pensioners Christmas Party with tea served 4:30pm in Stanwix Park

26th Silloth Football Club Annual Fund-raiser

30th Solway Coast Neighbourhood Forum meets in Silloth Community Centre Tel: 01900 325013 Pat Ackred

December

9th Men's Choir Christmas Concert in Christ Church, Silloth

10th Allerdale Crunch service at Silloth Green

10th Wigton Choral Society - Christmas Concert in St.. Marys Church, Wigton @ 7:30pm

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Masthead Bee Winner

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Upkeep of Trees in Silloth

Report by: Graham Wilkinson Mayor of Silloth

Following the annual town meeting where the state of the trees within the town was aired at great length by those present and which was reported upon in the Cumberland News by Mrs Wood, let me put everyone in the picture.

The trees within the footways around the town are the responsibility of **Cumbria County** Council and are maintained by Capita on their behalf.

The engineer in charge has made it known to the Town Council that he wishes to carry out some remedial work to the trees following complaints received. This may require the removal of some of the older trees which are now starting to cause damage to both the footways and carriageways at several

locations.

His plan is to meet with the Town Council in the near future to discuss the proposals on site. He does however state that there is no set budget amount set aside for such work to be carried out on an annual plan and that any funding for the work will have to be bid for against other urgent needs around the County.

When further information is available we would hope to publish the information as soon as possible. The work however will not be carried out until autumn or early winter.

With regards to those trees which are within the green and are the responsibility of the town council, the plan is to obtain replacement trees for those that have been lost over the past years to storm damage. This work will not be carried out until autumn or early winter.

This picture of the Silloth Mens Team was taken around 1987, not quite 20 years ago. Do you remember them and have they changed much now?



by Paul Campbell aged 10 from Silloth Primary School

Heart Start UK Free Life-Saving Course

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Abbeytown Senior Citizens

The Assembly Rooms were the venue to welcome nearly sixty of the Senior Citizens from the Parish of Holme Cultram for their Afternoon Tea.

Each year for nearly fifty years the local WI have provided an afternoon tea or a coach trip for the elderly people. Unfortunately this year was the last one but was very much enjoyed by all who attended. Vice President Elsie Donald welcomed everyone to have a good afternoon. A marvellous buffet was set out and everyone helped themselves to sandwiches, sausage rolls, scones and a large variety of cakes. After everyone had been fed there was a free draw with the lucky winners being Jackie Litt, Freda Garner, Mavis Graham, Amy Williamson, Iris Webb, Ellen Todhunter, Margaret Brown and

Ernie Gatenby. The combined male voice choir of Christ Church, Silloth and St. Pauls, Causewayhead then began their entertainment with their signature tune 'The Sound of Music'. The choirmaster Bill Hall played the piano which had been especially tuned for the occasion and the choir sang lots of very familiar songs. There was a chance for the audience to join in with songs from World War II just before the break. Autumn Leaves began the second half followed by Bells of St. Mary and O Lord My God and a variety of **Rogers and Hamerstein** songs. The audience then joined in the community singing before the choir ended with 'At the end of the day'. The choir was thanked for a lovely afternoon by Gladys Temple.

Annual Blackpool Trip

The annual Blackpool trip will be held on Sunday 18th September, leaving Silloth at 8:30am and returning at 10pm. There are plenty seats available and everyone is welcome for a grand day out, so book your seats as soon as possible. Contact Olga M Wood on tel. 016973 31013 or call at 1 Petteril Terrace, Silloth, (seat prices are not available at present). There will also be pick up points for Abbeytown and Wigton.

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Tanya Andrews aged 11 from

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the annual sports day.

A change to the

programme of the last few years saw us start off with the sports in the glebe field, which was

well supported through the age categories. While we were enjoying ourselves Mr & Mrs Brian Melville were sweating it out in the Church Hall, judging the Decorated Wellie

After the sports and tea (provided by

finished the winners of the Decorated Wellies

prizes and the Grand Raffle was held. The

like to thank everyone

you next year.

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the committee) was

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Left: Some people just have the knack, and some don't

Top: Lots of goodies to round the day off

Above: Is this the fastest they have moved since last year?

Left: The Committee Back Row L-R: Tracey Connely, Jackie Strick, Joe Armstrong, Wilson Wise, Barbara Wise, Carol Taylor Front Row L-R: Helen Bragg, Sharon Pearson, Michelle Irving, Julie Fisher, Jennifer Allen

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Mighty Muscle Bee by Dionne Jay Blake aged 9 from Silloth Primary School

Arthritis Support Group

Unfortunately our Speaker was unable to attend but the AGM went ahead with 17 members present. Edna Marper welcomed everyone. The officers were appointed Edna as Chairman, Gladys Temple as Vice Chairman, Peggy Bray as Secretary/Treasurer and **Committee Members** Joan Gilbertson, **Christine Smithson** and Anne Graham who was also in charge of the tea rota. Jack Bray explained the insurance cover. Mary Thompson and Francis Green then served tea while Gladys passed round a quiz on Scottish place names. Mary Thompson and Francis Green were the lucky winners of the Quiz and Jack Bray won the raffle. The next meeting is the trip to Hetland Gardens and Sweetheart Abbey on 5th August then we return to Loveday House on 2nd September for T'ai Chi.



Romanian Children's Choir

Report by: Eileen Chambers

On Thursday, 18th August, a group of Romanian children are to visit Silloth.

The choir was discovered by a group of Salvation Army workers from Carlisle who visited Bucharest last year to help refurbish the kindergarten of the school for the blind and partially sighted children. The choir at this school made such an impression on the Salvation Army team that they decided to bring them over to the UK and Carlisle in particular.

On hearing of this visit, friends at Trinity Methodist Church Silloth invited them to visit the town for a day. So, on August 18th they are to visit the West Beach in the morning,

Lunches

From 21st July, the summer coffee mornings held in Trinity Methodist Church on Thursdays are being replaced by Summer Light Lunches. For just £1.50 sandwiches of various kinds, a cake and a 'cuppa' will be available in the school room at the Church from 11:45am to 1pm on Thursdays. There will still be a cake and bric a brac stall, so why not give it a try and enjoy a chat over lunch?

enjoy a fish and chip lunch before visiting the lifeboat station in the afternoon, followed by tea provided by the friends at the Methodist Church.

An added bonus is that in the evening they are to give a concert in the Methodist Church. As the children range in age from 10 to 21 there will be a junior and senior choir with some solo items. As well as singing songs from their native land there will be better known items such as a selection from the musical 'Oliver'

The choir will have already performed in Carlisle Cathedral, Kendal Parish Church and Penrith Methodist Church during their stay so do come and add your support for them in Silloth. The money that they raise through these concerts is to be given to the Jigsaw Appeal for the childrens' hospice in Carlisle, young people helping other young people.

The concert will begin at 7pm, so please come to hear an excellent choir from abroad and support the Jigsaw Appeal for local children.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Application for a variation to a Club Premises Certificate

Licensing Act 2003 Name: Sheona Nicoll Has applied to Allerdale Borough Council for a variation to the club premises certificate for: **Good Companions** (Cumbria) Ltd. Congratulations to all our team for gaining Investors In People

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Any person wishing to make relevant representations on this application may do so in writing by no later than 14th August 2005 to:

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licensing@allerdale.gov.uk.

A full copy of this application may be viewed at the above office between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday.

The activity programme is excellent, help is always at hand, should you require it – I wouldn't have been here for 6 years if I didn't like it. *Mrs Lizzie Simpson – Resident* PICTURED BOTTOM LEFT We aim to help all our residents to realise personal aspirations and abilities in all aspects of their lives. *Trynie Story – Care Co-ordinator* PICTURED LEFT IN CENTRAL GROUP



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Silloth Vintage Rally, Craft, Music & Funfair

Report by: Silloth Vintage Rally Committee Photos by: Bill & Winifred Allan

Thousands of visitors flocked to Silloth on Saturday and Sunday to spend an enjoyable weekend at the Silloth Vintage Rally and Music Festival. From the Friday night the Pubs in the town were offering Top Class Entertainment over the weekend.

Visitors came from all over Northern England and Southern Scotland to see the many Vintage and Classical Vehicles and Machinery on Display, the comments made



All the way from Lands End

were very favourable. Every year this event is gaining strength and we are trying to



All the High Heid Yins Together, I Think, Maybe

introduce more events on the Green for the added interest of visitors. A new event this year was the Tug of War Championship the winning Team being the Cumberland Inn West Silloth. The Teams all fought hard to win the Trophy and created a very friendly Competition which we hope to sustain. The Children's football was a very big attraction with 13 Teams from schools around the area. This was won by a Silloth team the event was watched and enjoyed by hundreds of supporters.

This year the music on Saturday was provided by Wyndham Band, Egremont, this is a school band led by Sue Ellis which gave a very professional performance enjoyed by visitors and pupils alike so much so the players have asked to return next year. On Sunday the popular

Dennis Westmorland as usual gave us his time to entertain with his accordion and singing.

Out thanks go out to so many who have helped to stage this event. The Regeneration Groups and Foundation fund who gave Grants. Silloth on Solway Charity Shop who helped fund the band. Silloth Council for permission to use the Green and aiding us in our efforts. The Business People of Silloth who

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Brendan by Brendan Sutcliffe from Holme St. Cuthbert School



These young ones know how to fix anything nowadays

have contributed to our programme thus furnishing us with essential funds. Also the American Civil War **Re-enactment** Society who in their wonderful costumes were an attractive addition to the event.

The new Mayor and Mayoress, Mr Graham Wilkinson and his wife Marjorie kindly presented the Trophy to S Spark for the Cumberland Inn, and Bouquets to J Gillon (Retiring Secretary) A Davenport (Chairman's wife), J Graham (Treasurers wife). Lastly our Compere Mr Lawrence Marshall

without whose

knowledge and

expertise we

would be at a

loss.



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This looks like an early version of the Hummer



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The Mayor of Silloth, Mr Graham Wilkinson greeted the artists and friends who had assembled in The Golf Hotel for coffee. The Mayor thanked both Artists and also the Shopkeepers who had made available window space, for without such co-operation the event could not have taken place.

Visitors to Silloth have already spoken of their pleasure in "a walk about" of the town while enjoying the sea breezes, and the well known hospitality of the hotels, cafes and pubs. Special thanks must go to The Golf Hotel for the use of their lounge and to the staff serving coffee.

Report by: Susan Walsh

This was Silloth's sixth rally with a record entry of cars and bikes, the quality of the entries was extremely high.

Saturday kicked off with the now traditional kids soccer, a huge crowd witnessed a feast of football, the eventual winners being Silloth under 10's.

On a warm and pleasant day the donkeys stalls and tents reported brisk trade.

Friday and Saturday evening was the turn of the bands to







entertain the crowds in the pubs, clubs and hotels, everywhere was extremely busy with several pubs reporting they nearly ran dry. All the bands were of a high standard but undoubted stars of the weekend were Middlesbrough band 'Little Stevie and The Business' who had the Huntsman Inn rocking. The music trail continues to grow already for next year the Social Club have asked to be included.

Sunday saw record crowds descend onto the green with a fine entry of vintage vehicles, the weather was good and

everybody enjoyed a great day in a brilliant setting.

Please come to the AGM on the 25th September at 7pm in The Albion Inn, or telephone Deb on 016973 32188. To help this event continue to grow we need more help. Finally I would like to thank the sponsors, Silloth Town Council, Silloth Regeneration, Cumbria Foundation, Rayner Fletcher and S.T.A.G.



On show at the Vintage Rally for the first time, Collin Donald exhibited the M.F. 230 tractor owned by Robin Dixon from Pelutho. The Massey was bought second-hand from Kendal in 1991 and was used by Robin as his scraper tractor till the foot and mouth outbreak in 2001, when Robin lost all his stock.

When tractors which are used for scraping slurry 7 days a week, their bodywork and moving parts are soon affected by corrosion. In 2004 Robin decided to refurbish it back to its original condition. After Robin stripped it down, David, son of Terry Connors (from Blackdyke) resprayed it to its original colours. Robin then reassembled it renewing what was required. The tractor was much admired on its first Rally.

Robin & Collin with locals Mr & Mrs Williamson, Tom Lee, etc.



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Dr R M Jones



Solway Mexico Fundraising



Dear Buzz,

Letters

What has happened to Sillothian pride?

From a town which used to achieve awards and was the envy of other west coast towns, it really has seen a very marked decline. Whitehaven, Workington and Maryport, all with innovative planning and building have vastly improved their image. This I am afraid cannot be said

of Silloth. Visitors coming in from the west have to pass a series of run down derelict properties i.e., Longcakes corner, Nichol's shop and Blakes garage. I don't know who owns them now, but those are the names I remember them by. Even visitors coming over on foot from Stanwix Holiday camp are not spared! From a railway station which used to get the prettiest and cleanest prizes, the only thing it gets now is disgust. I am a Sillothian born and bred who always spoke with pride of my birthplace. I now find myself ashamed when I come home (as I still think of Silloth) which I do at least once a year. I really do wonder what visitors must think of our once proud town. I do realise not everything is down to the council but a lot of it is.

Cleaning of the West Beach by Wigton Scouts! Surely this is a sad indictment on the Silloth community. There are many other issues which could be addressed, but suffice to say a compulsory clean up of the worst areas would be a start. Let us get pride back into

what is still a lovely wee town.

> Mary M McKay (nee: Bosward)

Wheelchair

Regrettably, owing to Red Tape and a lack of affordable insurance, the wheelchair that has been loaned out to holidaymakers in the past is no longer available.

Thanks are due to all those who helped

Dear Buzz,

Congratulations to Silloths' Eric Davenport and his committee, for organising a very enjoyable and interesting Vintage Rally Show. Having been just one of many thousands of visitors to Silloths' awesome show of numerous vintage rally "means of transport" bicycles, motor bikes, motor cars, tractors and lorries. I wonder if any of the Cumberland Newspaper readers or Cumbrian "transport historians" can enlighten me? Just how many different manufacturers were there? Both pre and post war, of the bicycles, motor bikes, motor cars, lorries and tractors, all made in Britain. And what would have been the annual production? To name just some of the many on show, Raleigh, 3-wheelers, sit up and beg, shop delivery, errand boys bikes, racing bicycles, a 1966 registered BSA police motor bike with genuine logged 21,000 miles on the clock, Matchless, Triumphs, Sunbeams, Rootes Group, Morris, Ford, Bedford and Massey Ferguson.

I am sure many other interested readers no doubt will have memories of their first bicycle, or motor bike, car, lorry or a new farm tractor or whatever. Just like many of the visitors did when, with their many different accents and nationalities they swapped memories, using cameras and camcorders, of the vintage "means of transport" in days gone by. Finally thank you and good luck to the organisers, to Silloth Council, traders and residents, for an enjoyable day. But you just had to be there to see what memories are made of.

John Thorburn

Dear Buzz,

Would it be possible for the Solway Buzz readers to help? I help the Greyhound Trust find homes for retired greyhounds. The work is purely voluntary and unpaid, they are currently looking to find about forty good homes for retired greyhounds. Anyone who can help can contact me on 016973 31595. They make lovely pets. Re-homing one or two would be a great help.

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Even a broken leg couldn't stop Ryan Pearson from fund raising! Three students from Solway Community Technology College have been raising funds for the schools Solway Mexico Link.

Ashley Daymond and Hayley Forster walked from Abbeytown to Silloth pushing Ryan all the way in his wheelchair. Of course they wanted to dress up and have some fun along the way! They were accompanied by Ryan's parents and a family friend who did a great job of keeping them safe on the road to Silloth.

The trio managed to raise a wonderful total of £360 for the Solway Mexico Link.

Ashley and Ryan are amongst a group of students who will travel to Mexico next March to take part in the student exchange between Solway Community Technology College and their partner school, Manuel Heyser Jimenez, in Mexico City.

with this facility and especially thanks to Lawrence Marshall for his invaluable support and advice.

Colin Briggs



Veterans Day at Whitehaven



Buzz Deliverer Required

Thank you to every Buzz deliverer for all your support, past and present. The Buzz would not be here without your help. Many deliverers have been doing it since the first issue and your support is very much appreciated.

Graham Walton has kindly delivered the Buzz in Blitterlees since the start, however, due to other commitments he cannot be available in the future.

Can you help? If you live in

Blitterlees, why not combine a pleasant walk with delivering the Buzz to your neighbours. We are looking for one or two people to help out, we only deliver the paper nine times a year, so why not combine a stroll and chat with your neighbours with helping the Buzz.

Please telephone Kath on: 016973 32272.

Annual Trip

Silloth and District OAP's left a wet Silloth behind when they set off on their annual trip.

Report by: Sheona Nichol

It was my great honour to take a few of Silloth veterans to the Veterans Day at Whitehaven for the parade to mark the V.E. & V.J. days.

I would like to say a big thank you to all the veterans of Silloth.

The parade itself was very moving and a real thrill to take part in. I would also like to thank The Rotary Club of Silloth for their help in the Tea Dance that was held for the veterans, the whole

day at Whitehaven was



so special. To all those brave people we now call veterans "you are wonderful".



Apology from the Editor

Every edition of the Buzz has errors, I excuse myself because, although

the Buzz is still basically a hobby. Issue 36 was a humdinger - it had so many serious mistakes, I can only apologise profusely and promise to try harder in future.

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This year's destination was Skipton in Yorkshire. They stopped at Killington Lake for coffee before continuing the journey arriving at Skipton just as the sun broke through the clouds. At the end of the day everyone returned to the coach tired from shopping and sightseeing to take the scenic route home stopping at Scotch Corner before the final ride home taking in the wonderful views along the way.

A good day was held by all.

I do try to get it right,

Occasions **Florists**

Occasions Florists in Station Road, Silloth have changed their opening hours, they are 9:30am to 4:30pm on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Tuesday and Saturday they are open from 9:30am to 1pm. Deliveries can still be

made at other times by arrangement.



Love Bee by Shelley Perkins aged 7 from Stanhope Barrington School



On the Waterfront

them on the grain trade mainly from Australia to Europe. During the second world war the allies seized three of these ships because of Finland's support of Germany. The four masted barque PAMIR was in New Zealand and traded in the Pacific until the end of the war and the New Zealand Government operated the PAMIR as a cadet ship for a few years before selling her back to the Germans who operated her as a training ship on the original South American Trade until 1957 when she went down with a great loss of young lives.

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LEGAL NOTICE Application for a variation to a **Premises Certificate**

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Silloth Community Development Centre (based within Silloth Primary School) has been open and successfully running since 1999. The centre was originally set up to provide the local community with an opportunity to re-enter education. The CDC provides a place where the people of Silloth and the surrounding area, can come to learn and develop new and existing skills. We aim to reach out to all members of the community irrespective of age, gender, race or religion, by providing a range of activities, which are driven by local needs. These activities will be friendly, easily accessible, unthreatening yet challenging.

Success Stories

A number of our previous learners have either secured employment or progressed in employment status through completing courses within our centre. We wish them all the best.

In March 2005, the centre appointed two new members of staff; they were Andrea Davies - Manager, and Donna Little - Administrator. Since their appointment, they have successfully acquired funding to subsidise and run a number of courses. In the past, the majority of the courses ran were IT based. As the centre wishes to meet the needs of the local community, we feel that we need to move with the times and offer a wider range of courses. Therefore we propose to diversify into the following subjects, which some of our local residents have expressed an interest in:

Water Colours Painting TBA

Indian Head Massage	10 hours course over 5 weeks
Cake Decorating	TBA
Reflexology	10 hours course over 5 weeks
Aromatherapy	TBA
Sage Accountancy	TBA
Hospitality Course (We	elcome Host) 1 Day
Salsa Dancing	3 hour Taster followed by
classes TBA	

These Courses would commence from next term (September), through the winter months and possibly into the spring, within the school. They would be in the evening or perhaps on a Saturday, with the exception of Sage Accountancy. Some of the Courses may be short i.e. (1 day), some may continue over a number of weeks.

We would ask that if anyone is interested in any of the above courses, to contact us as we need to have a idea of the numbers and preference of times and days, before we can plan a timetable and give out any more information.

Miss Jean Briggs



Jean Briggs being presented with a Bouquet by Amy Armstrong & Stacey Strick

In Holme St. Cuthberts Church Hall, during the Church Summer Fayre, a surprise presentation to Jean Briggs on retiring after serving 20 years on the Longcake Charity Committee. Jean is from Abbeytown and taught at Brough by Sands, Waverbridge, Aspatria, Newton Arlosh, Silloth, and Blencogo before retiring from school

Please contact:

teaching in 1983.

Centre: 016973 33011 (there will be a skeleton timetable in place during the holidays, a recorded message can be left if desired).

Or contact us at home on the following numbers: Andrea: 016973 31861 or Donna: 016973 31848

We cannot plan any of the courses if we do not have any feedback from you. You are the reason why we are here. Help us to help you. Also if you have any suggestions as to other courses you would like to see at the centre, we would value your opinion.



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Roving Mayor

Mayor of Allerdale, Councillor Derek Thompson has expressed his wish to be a roving Mayor and find out more about the people.

Councillor Thompson would like to visit as many Allerdale businesses as possible, large or small, as a way of getting to know more about the people of the borough and to say thank you very much for providing employment and prosperity to the area.

Councillor Thompson said: "During this Mayoral year, I would like to find the unsung heroes of Allerdale. There are a lot of people who do a lot of good but never receive recognition.

"I hope that by visiting the many different organizations, businesses and people in the borough, I can raise the profile of Allerdale as a great place to live and work.

To arrange a visit, please contact Michala Jones at Allerdale Borough Council on (01900) 326518.

Allonby

THE FORMER READING ROOMS, ALLONBY

A long-term empty and dilapidated building in Allonby is one step closer to improvement.

After many years trying to persuade the owner to progress work at the derelict Reading Rooms in Allonby, Allerdale Borough Council today entered the site under a warrant of entry, along with surveyors, scaffolders and fencing contractors.

Scaffolding will be erected to enable the remaining structure to be assessed for condition and, if feasible, to design a new roof for the building.

Eddie Dawson, Senior Technician at Allerdale Borough Council, said: "The owner has sadly not progressed their commitments made to the Council to put right the problems with the former Reading Rooms. We will undertake essential works to stabilise and assess the condition of the building."

A Great Day Out



Ross, Jonathon & Grant with the boat

Three Members of the towns Rugga Youth Club have just had a brilliant day out at Cumbria's latest nature reserve with loads to see and do on a day that didn't last long enough.

The reserve is in a village not too far away at Isel near Cockermouth. The Linskeldfield Tarn Nature Reserve is owned by former Silloth couple Robbie and Pauline Young and is open all year round free of charge. The boys spent time in the bird watching hide watching all types of ducks, swallows and some rather large buzzards (although we looked hard the was no sign of the swans, red squirrels and otters, maybe Ross and Jonathon were a bit noisy).

After a few minutes trying to count over 16 thousand free range hens we moved onto the ostriches, then the parrots and pigeons, finally ending up with a welcome cup of coffee and a quiet five minutes with two rare tortoise from Europe.

The reserve is surrounded by some of the most breathtaking scenery, and the Lake District mountains looked fantastic. We all had a great day out and you can find information on the nature reserve at: www.linskeldfieldtarn.co.uk.

Abbeytown Flower Club

Report by: Gladys Temple

Abbeytown Flower Club meeting held on 16th June.

Mr Tate welcomed 25 members to Garth House to look around his beautiful gardens. He has taken eight years to build the gardens to his own designs and the results were really wonderful to walk around.

We began on the terrace and looked down on the sunken garden. Approximately 400 tonnes of soil were removed to make this space for herbaceous borders, lawns and a large fountain. An arch with a marble tiled floor leads through to a further area of lawn set aside as a playing area for his grandchildren. The path through the trees contained rhododendrons and a lot of other beautiful flowering shrubs. The Japanese Garden was a wonder to be hold with ponds, waterfalls, bridges and hundreds of plants. The Acer trees gave the colour and the greenery

of the ferns and very large Hostas provided a beautiful contrast. A large Japanese gate lead through into a knot garden with herbs planted between the boxwood designs. The swimming pool had



tropical plants alongside and the Mediterranean garden was sheltered behind the pool house.

Mr Tate told us he had planted 800 trees but the very large mature trees along the border had been there since the house was built.

Everyone enjoyed the walk and Ruth Pinguey thanked him on our behalf. We then moved on to have a meal at the Golden Fleece followed by a short business meeting.



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STAN'S

Silloth Tennis Club

Kerry & Sophie Win Club Orange Doubles Title As Adam & Patrick Take The Boy's Prizes



When you are five match points down in a final, it is very difficult to believe that it is your names that will be etched on that trophy for eternity. However, if you are Kerry-Ann McGill and Sophie Harrison then

you obviously have that belief, as they reeled off an unbelievable seven straight points to become Silloth Tennis Club's Mini Tennis Orange doubles champions for 2005.

The girls on the other side of the net, namely Lisa Bervoets and Aimee Gray were helpless as a wonderful start turned into a nightmare of epic proportions as the Kerry and

Sophie express belatedly rolled into town, picked up its cargo and sped off into the distance. It was an excellent end to a tight tournament with a points count-back taking place as three pairings were tied as they vied for a final place. To be fair to Kerry and Sophie they were deserved winners, as they were unbeaten throughout the competition.

The boys didn't let anybody down either as newcomers such as Lee and Lewis Allen and Luke Brannan got their first taste of competitive action. It proved to be a very interesting event as more experienced



players guided the rookies through their matches with aplomb in a show of maturity and understanding. After two fantastic semi finals it was Kieron Carr and Joel Baker and Patrick Brough and Adam Story who came through to meet in another titanic struggle with Patrick and Adam coming out on top to crown another fantastic day.

Robbie & Aimee Take Mini Tennis Orange **Club Championships For 2005**

The 3rd Mini **Tennis Orange club** championships took place on Saturday 4th June and it was the collective might of Robbie Harrison and Aimee Gray that waltzed off with the

respective singles titles. Held for the

first time as two separate events the competition was strong with players aged from 7 to 10 competing for the coveted titles. With new performers such as Matthew Middleton, Reece Blake, Jared Cole, Joel Baker and Kirsty Girdler making their Orange debuts with style and without fear

it was the relatively old hands such as Nadyne Cole, Hannah Story, Ross Johnstone and of course Robbie and Aimee who dominated proceedings

to produce a fine display of skilful tennis. There

were many performances to take note of in both events, none more so than Gareth Davenport who outlasted the Federer like skills of Ross Johnstone en route the final and Dionne Blake who made it through to the relatively uncharted semi final waters.

With Robbie outlasting the excellent Patrick Brough 13-12 in the match of the day semi final he finally took his first club crown 10-7 against future champ Gareth in the final.



Having just returned from his two week stint at the Bolletieri training camp in Florida it seems like the sunshine and expert tuition has done



him the world of good. Dionne's performances provided the highlights of the girls event and her semi final showing shows that there are now a number of girls hot on the tails of the usual top four players, but it was Aimee Gray who finally took the title to record her first victory at this level as she fought off a determined Hannah Story fight back to clinch out a 10-8 win. With Joel Baker (year 2) and Emily Wise (year 3) taking the plate titles the future looks to be in safe hands as our fantastic players go from strength to strength.



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Cumbria Youth Games

Allerdale's youngsters proved they were the best at the annual Cumbria Youth Games.

The team came home from the Games, which were held in Barrow on Saturday 2 July, with the Lonsdale Trophy after winning five of the 14 different events and seeing off the competition from the county's five other districts. Around 800 Allerdale youngsters

aged between eight and sixteen took part in the annual festival, competing in events including hockey, netball, rugby union, boccia and orienteering. The Allerdale team also won the trophy last year. Over the coming year the Lonsdale Cup will be visiting all the schools that took part.

Rebecca Jackson, Sport Development Officer for Allerdale Borough Council, said:

"The Cumbria Youth Games is the largest multi-sport participation event for young people in Cumbria. It was fantastic that Allerdale retained the Lonsdale Cup and proves that there is a huge amount of sporting talent and enthusiasm amongst our young people. Hopefully events like the Youth Games will encourage children to join local clubs and continue their participation in sport".

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Tribute to David Pigeon

The recent and very sad passing of our

Silloth Tennis Club.

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all called "Mr. P."

It was almost

another perfect

day for Silloth

Tennis Club's

mini Tennis

players at the

county mini

Tennis finals

held at Kendal

Tennis club on

Sunday the 26th

chairman David Pigeon has created a massive void in the lives of members and associates of

On behalf of everyone involved we would like

to take this chance to offer his family our deepest

sympathies at this very sad time. We would also

like to offer our thanks as well for being able to

share in the life of a truly remarkable man, who has provided the inspiration, motivation, know-

how and warmth to countless Tennis players

over the years. In today's harsh world it would

be very hard to find a more selfless, caring and genuine person, who, alongside his wife Kathleen was prepared to devote hour after hour of their

So, as only one of the many clubs and

prepares for life without him we would like to

The Committee of Silloth Tennis Club.

think that the continued success and, above all, enjoyment of Tennis in Silloth will provide a

lasting tribute to the life and work of the man we

County Mini Tennis Finals

Super Sophie Adds Mini Tennis Orange

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associations that David was involved with

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June, as Sophie Harrison became County Champion and Oliver Neilly was pipped at the

With five boys and five girls having qualified from the regional events held in early June there was a strong feeling that success was on the horizon. It came in the form of some very solid performances from Sophie as she played six high quality matches,



of his game right now as he went about the tournament with gusto beating Ross Johnstone in the quarter finals and squeezing through his semi final 10-9 to set up a meeting with Ulverston's James Kirkpatrick, who, held out to leave Oliver an unfortunate 10-7



Nice To See You



"Nice to see you to see you nice"

Silloth golfer Stephen Frazer jnr was amazed when he turned up for a game of golf whilst in the Algarve, to be met on the first tee by the one and only Sir Bruce Forsyth.

Bruce was guest of honour for a charity match at the golf course where Stephen and his pals were playing. Stephen said "what a great thrill and surprise, I couldn't believe my eyes, I was a bit nervous there was no need to be. Bruce come straight over to me and introduced himself, all that was going through my head was - should I say it? I did, 'nice to see you to see you nice', Bruce just laughed. We shook hands and he wished me good luck with my golf 'good game, good game'.

A true gentleman, it's not every day you meet a world famous star who can repair washing machines".

New Rugby Coach

Silloth Rugby Club have started training in preparation for the coming season under new coach Colin (killer) Rhodes.

Training nights are Monday and Wednesday starting at 6:30pm. This season promises to be a belter, if we



continue where we left off we should do ok. Retention of our current players and the inclusion of fresh faces and ideas are our main aims for this season. A lot of effort will be put into making training and playing fun. Silloth is a great place to play rugby 'local rugby for local lads'.

New players are always welcome other helpers are welcome too, there is always loads to do at our Rugby Club and the more members we have the better.

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outlasting Aimee Gray in the semi final en route to a final clash against South Lakes' Charlotte Wheardon who

really had to pull out all the stops in her semi final against Hannah Story. The final was a

different thing altogether though, as Sophie kept her best to last, reeling off winner after winner as she coasted to a 10-3 victory.

The boys' event showed that Oliver Neilly is really at the top

loser. With Ross taking the consolation draw title and Nadyne Cole doing likewise by defeating Emily Wise in her respective final it was another successful day out for Silloth's young 'uns as they showed that they are now becoming a force to be reckoned with on the county stage.



Soccer Fun Day Sunday August 28th (Bank Holiday) Mens 5–a–side tournaments Kids 5-a-side tournament Starting at 10:30am Teams can be entered on the day Further information from Malcolm Wise 32532 or Stephen Hart 31517