

Mayor's Report

Report by:
Graham Wilkinson

The October meeting of Silloth Town Council was attended by 10 members with one member of the public in attendance, please note our meetings are open to the public. However you are only allowed to speak on written application prior to the meeting, this does not apply at the annual town meeting.

The police reported on events over the past month, which included theft from building sites within the town, damage to vehicles, vandalism at the school and youths riding around town on mini motorcycles.

Robert Porter of Derwent & Solway Housing Association gave a report into the proposed development on Fell View to the rear of Skiddaw Close. The Environment Agency have requested further investigation re the flood plain, the proposal is to construct eleven three bed houses to be shared ownership with ten two bed bungalows, five of which are to be shared ownership and five to be rented.

Various matters of correspondence were discussed including, a query as to why Silloth had not received a flag for clean waters, this is to be passed to United Utilities for a reply. A letter from the acting Chief Constable noted our concern re the state of the Police Station and stated a decision had to be made shortly on its fate. A further letter stated the force were looking to base a local policing team within the Fire Station.

Further information had been received regarding the width restriction in Wigton and proposal to expand the area of roads to be covered by the order which has implications on Silloth with regard to trade and holiday traffic.

Following the visit in March by HMS Biter, the Council have now received a letter from the Royal Navy seeking our views on the forming of an affiliation with the ship.

Various planning applications were discussed, it was noted the development plan for the old West Silloth Motors site had been withdrawn.

A request is to be made for the police to monitor the speed of traffic in West Silloth following complaints. Allerdale Borough Council have been requested to review the missing street name plates around the town.

The November meeting saw nine members of the council in attendance with no public attendance.

P.C. Andy Robertson and Lieutenant F.D. Hirons Royal Navy Commanding Officer of the "HMS Biter" were welcomed.

P.C. Andy Robertson gave a full run down of incidents over the past month with updates on last months incidents. He also stated matters were being dealt with to set up the police post at the Fire Station and that he would be in the town as much as possible when the post is up and running. Also noted was his concern re the old Police Station, he stated he was pushing for an early outcome on the situation. He was thanked for his attendance.

Lieutenant F.D. Hirons thanked the council for accepting the offer of application between HMS Biter and Silloth, they had enjoyed their visit this year and to this end they have planned to return on the 31st March - 2nd April 2006, and the ships company are to attend the Remembrance Day Service at Christ Church.

Planning applications dealt with were noted and discussed by both Allerdale and Town Councillors, the major concern being the serious threat to the Maryport road at Dubmill Point as no repairs have yet been carried out to the damaged sea wall following January's storms. Even though it is now several months since it was promised the work would be completed before the winter.

The Council agreed to make a donation to the North West Air Ambulance.



Mawbray Festivities

Mawbray village hall offer a superb range of top quality family entertainment this festive season.

On Sunday 27th November 10am to 4pm a Christmas Craft Fayre offers a huge range of Christmas gifts by local artists and craft people plus TV celebrity Annette Gibbons will be signing copies of her new book. Not to forget the excellent tea room selling lots of home baked goodies.

On Thursday 8th December Jack Drum Arts present The Tale of Robin Hood commencing 7pm, a pantomime which guarantees fun for all the family. Tickets £4 and £2. Tel. Steve: 01900 881499.

The Festival of Trees 2005 features over 200 trees decorated by local groups and business's and

begins with the grand switch-on, on Friday 9th December at 7pm. The hall will be open on 10th and 11th for viewing and refreshments between 1pm and 4pm.

Get into the festive spirit on Thursday 15th December at 7:30pm and sing along with and listen to the excellent Flimby Saxhorn Silver Band who will perform their annual carol concert. Tickets £3.50 and £2 including a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. Tel. Steve: 01900 881499. This is a real treat for all the family.

Why not join us at our New Years Eve Family Celebration on Saturday 31st December 8pm-1am disco, bar and shared supper. Tickets £4 and £2.

Tel. Karen: 01900 881353 or Steve: 01900 881499.

RNLI

RNLI Silent Auction Prize Winners

The Silloth & District Fundraising Branch of the RNLI recently held a Silent Auction in St Andrews Hall in Silloth. This event raised £160.05.

During the evening the Branch's Annual Grand Draw also took place and the winning tickets drawn:-
S Benson 4533 M&S Gift Voucher
F Mills 4056 Bottle of Malt Whisky
Joy 4414 Bottle of Champagne
J Bainbridge 3596 Clock/Radio
Archie 3965 Cafetiere Set
G Calvert 0176 Bottle of Wine
B Patton 1085 Panda Bear
M Haycock 3287 Box of Chocolates
Mick 3885 Bottle of Bucks Fizz
J Tudor 0639 Wine & Choc Hamper
Yvonne 0202 Silk Flowers
Szandurski 3227 Candle Set
Dominic 3809 Tin of Biscuits

All winners have been notified and prizes distributed.

Many thanks to all those who supported the event and to the many people of Silloth, Wigton, Aspatria and beyond who sold and/or bought raffle tickets for the Annual Grand Draw, which this year raised the fantastic sum of £720. A special thank you is also extended to those of you who so generously donated the prizes for the draw.

Little Wing by Lorna de Mello aged 6 from Holme St. Cuthbert School

Six-a-Sides Latest Results

Report by:
Geoff Bland

This photo shows the two teams before playing in the final of 1954.



These games were played on the Green opposite the Queens Hotel and teams entered from all over the country.

They were played during the Glasgow or Edinburgh annual holidays on summer evenings and always attracted big crowds of soccer loving visitors, who had mostly travelled by train.

The winners were Easy Six.

The team on the left is M.U.6, Back L-R: P.C. Eric Thompson, Les Bosward, Geoff Bland. Front L-R: Robin Sim, David Black, Jock Fyfe, mascot Tex the dog.

Team at right is Easy Six, Back L-R: Ray Baxter, Jim Baxter, Joe Robinson. Front L-R: Dalvin Rothery, Malcolm Fisher, Joe Gibson, mascot Jim Baxter junior



Princess Bee by Sophie Connolly aged 5 from Holme St. Cuthbert School

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