

## Silloth Open Door Group



Report by: Sarah Hansford

Silloth Open Door Group is a voluntary group organising a free lunch and activities every Tuesday at 12-1pm at St Andrew's Hall (Opposite Co-op).

This event is open to all age groups in Silloth. Our aim is to bring the community together and to build new community spirit. Silloth Open Door Group provides you an excellent atmosphere, a place to relax, chit chat, meet others, etc.

On December 19th we are organising a free Christmas lunch from 12-1:30pm, at St Andrew's Hall. Everyone is welcome. Santa is coming to Silloth, come and find him on 19th December! Please let me know if you are coming to the Christmas lunch so that we can plan the catering. Vegetarian or Gluten Free alternatives will be available by prior arrangement. Please

## Silloth Musical Society

Is there anyone out there that is interested in starting up the Silloth Musical Society again?

There was 'Once Upon A Time' a great following and many a Magical performance. If the answer is Yes! Then I would love to hear from you. Call me, Andrea Davies: 016973 31861.

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## Dangerous Antics



One thing is for sure, excitement overrules common sense OK! But this is an act of sheer folly.

The steps on Silloth promenade are, in most parts, covered with algae or weed and dangerous. How this youngster didn't slip or find himself dragged into the sea by an extra large wave is a miracle.

There are council signs along the front telling people it is a dangerous place to bathe but nothing is mentioned about standing on the steps in a howling gale! Nowadays we are surrounded by warning signs - do we really read them? Survival in life is mainly down to a matter of common sense and in this particular youngster's case a huge slice of good fortune. "I am an old man and have known a great many troubles - but most of them never happened" (Mark Twain).

I'm sure it doesn't need spelling out what the result would have been and the impact on family and friends.

There is also the financial cost too:

Air Ambulance £250 per hour.

Ambulance £115 per hour.

A&E ward £420 per day.

Water is equally as dangerous as fire and needs to be treated with respect. It is a natural force that is powerful and unpredictable.

contact Sarah on 016973 32089 by 15th December.

If you would like to donate anything please telephone. Silloth Open Door Group will be closed over Christmas and New Year. We re-open again on 16th January (12noon - 1pm).

"Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year."



## Abbeytown Autumn Fair

Report by: Gladys Temple

The new Head of Holme Cultram Abbey School, Mrs Lynda McDonald, opened the Annual Autumn Fair in aid of The Assembly Rooms.

She welcomed everyone and encouraged those present to spend their money in a good cause. Elizabeth Dixon presented Mrs McDonald with a lovely buttonhole and a gift voucher. Refreshments were served and everyone had a good look around. Mrs McDonald then began the large draw, first out was Mrs Horsley, followed by D Murphy, J Sim, Paul Holliday, Colin Satterthwaite, Brenda Sim, Pam Blaylock, Angela Middleton, Ann Murphy, Mary Mattinson, Joanne Satterthwaite, Pam

Blaylock, Jessie Ostle, Andrew Wilson and Tracey Armstrong.

Robert Lightfoot guessed the weight of the cake, the number of sweets in the jar by Colin Lightfoot and the Bottle of Champagne was won by Audrey Harrison while Cherine Spark won the all day breakfast. The Animal Treasure Hunt was 1st Margaret Ackerley followed by Jennifer Barwise and Sam Trievyne. Jennifer Barwise, Hilary Bowness, Jessica Swan, Vicky Lightfoot, Christopher Holliday, Naomi Foster and Mrs. Coulson won the small draw in the room.

Fiona Holliday, Chair of the Committee thanked everyone for coming and helping to support the Assembly Rooms.

## Abbeytown Christmas Disco

Abbeytown Carnival Committee will be holding a Children's Christmas Disco on Tuesday 19th December in the Village Hall, from 6:30pm - 8pm, where the Royalty for the 2007 Carnival will be selected. The entrance fee is £1.50 per child and all children must be supervised.

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