

Abbeytown Bowling Club

Report by: Gladys Temple

Abbeytown played host to Bothel Bowling Club for the first Match of the New Year.

Five games were played by each of four teams when the scores were fairly even but after a lovely supper provided by Abbeytown, members the home team began to show their home advantage and Abbeytown ended up winners 27 to 44.

The draw winners were Gladys Temple, Joyce Edwards, Malcolm Temple, Elsie Foster and Mary Mattinson from Abbeytown with Eileen Watson being the only winner from Bothel.

Abbeytown were thanked for a very friendly evening and invited to play at Bothel later in the season.

Thirteen members of Abbeytown Bowling Club made the journey to Ireby to play a

friendly match against the team there. The newly furbished hall was welcoming and comfortable but the mats very tricky for the visitors to play. Four teams played five ends then the Ireby Members provided a delicious supper.

The draw took place with the winners being Alan Litt (Abbeytown) Diane Cape (Ireby) Robert Lightfoot, Gladys Temple, Mary Mattinson and Robin Hurst all Abbeytown with Vera Petrie (Ireby) winning the last prize. Five more ends were played by each of the four teams with Ireby the winners by 37 to 28.

Malcolm Temple thanked the Ireby Members for a very pleasant evening and a delicious supper. We did not win the match but took away most of the draw prizes.

Do You Remember?

Solway Scouts Football Team



Back L-R: George Egdell, Geoff Bland, Rob Wise, Ron Wise, Rev E Mullins, Ray Wise, Laurence Blackburn
Front L-R: Jack Tinnion, Keith Baxter, Malcolm Fisher, Jim Cartner, Robin Sim

Report by: Geoff Bland

This is the Solway Scouts Football Team that played in the Carlisle Christian Welfare League during October 1947.

This game was on the Banks Ends ground

near the golf course behind Blitterlees. The three Wise boys were all cousins. Laurence Blackburn was a tough-tackling left back from Abbeytown who went on to be the Chief Constable of Cheshire.

Space Rockets & Romans

When you see the space shuttle sitting on the launch pad, you will notice the two big booster rockets attached to the sides of the main fuel tank.

These are the Solid Rocket Boosters, (SRB's). These are made at a factory in Utah. NASA would have liked them to be bigger than they are, however, as the SRB's would be shipped to Florida by train, they had to be able to fit through the tunnels on route. The standard railway gauge in the United States is, four feet eight and a half inches. The tunnels maximum width therefore is four feet ten inches. The SRB's cannot be any larger than four foot eight inches.

Four feet eight inches (4' 8") is the gauge used by the early pioneers of railway building in America because that was the gauge the early settlers had used in the UK.

In the UK they had

used four feet eight inches because the same people who made the tramways made the early railway carriages.

They used four feet eight inches because the old turnpike roads had deep wheel ruts in them from years of use in all weathers. Any other spacing would cause discomfort and broken axles.

The ancient Romans had originally built the roads to accommodate movement of troops and equipment.

Roman war chariots formed the initial ruts.

The war chariots had space between the shafts for two horses to pull the chariot. The width of the two horses dictated the spacing of the wheels on the axle.

This was formalised at four feet eight and one half inches.

So you see, one of the most advanced of modern vehicles owes a debt to the chariots of Ancient Rome.

Silloth Football Club

Come along to the Criffel Inn on Saturday March 10th for an evening of Horse Racing fun.

The races are being held in aid of Silloth Football Club funds, from 7pm to 9pm. This will be followed by Karaoke.

All are welcome

Mayors Report

At the January meeting of the Town Council the Chairman stated he had attended several meetings and events within the town. These included The 50 Year Memorial Service for the Silloth Firemen who lost their lives, the Carol Service at Christ Church and Greenrow Mission.

There was no report

from the police.

Correspondence included the following: a request from the Highways Department to arrange a meeting with regard to our complaints i.e. inconsiderate parking at road junctions and adjacent to the disabled crossing points. A request for a litter bin adjacent to the path across the Rugby field. A letter from Allerdale Borough Council

requesting a member of the Town Council to attend a site meeting on the Lido for the proposed development. A letter from Allonby Parish Council asking if we would consider tendering for the grass cutting contract within the village. It was agreed the Chairman along with Ken Wannop would arrange a meeting to discuss the details.

Councillor Markley

gave a report on the official opening of the new extension at the Primary School, a letter of thanks is to be sent for the great reception and work that went into the days festivities.

The report from the Regeneration Partnership outlined their position to date. A meeting was at this time taking place with Liz Carlisle the consultant putting the Heritage Lottery Bid together prior to meeting an officer from the Lottery to look round the Green.

Reports from both Allerdale Borough Council and Cumbria County Council both intend on the fight for and against a Unitary Authority.

Estimates were discussed for repairs to the sea front seats between the Lifeboat House and the docks entrance.

Several highways complaints are to be discussed with the area Engineer, these included damaged footways and the state of road markings and signs.

Situation Vacant SPORTS HALL ASSISTANT

£5.92 per hour

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The school is seeking to appoint a Sports Hall Assistant to assist with the administration, organisation and promotion of events and activities to be held in the centre.

To deal with enquiries and bookings for the centre from members of the community in line with the centres' procedures in a professional manner.

The post hours are open to negotiation but evening, weekend and school holiday work will be required.

Applications and further details are available from the Business Manager on 016973 31234

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Situation Vacant MIDDAY SUPERVISOR

£5.92 per hour + free school meal
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The school is seeking to appoint a midday supervisor with immediate effect.

Purpose of the job:

To supervise students during lunchtime in the school canteen.

To monitor the queuing system and ensure it operates effectively.

Applicants are required to work one hour per day (12:20 to 13:20)

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