Silloth Tennis Club

Silloth Tennis Club were delighted to welcome Eva Stepanova and her son 10 year old Martin from the Czech Republic on Tuesday the 19th of June. Here as part of an exchange visit with Netherhall Sports College, Eva, as well as being a teacher is also a Tennis coach and has coached Martin into the top 100 under 12 players in their country and both were keen for Martin to play during their holiday.

The first part of their day was spent in Silloth Primary School, where they sampled lessons and lunch with the afternoon dedicated to a Tennis tournament alongside some of the local talent from the school. With umpires supplied from the Young Leaders programme at Solway School the afternoon was very enjoyable as Martin edged out Gareth Davenport in the final to round off his day perfectly.

After the event Martin was presented with a special "Welcome to Silloth" plaque as well



as his winner's medal. Our thanks go to Jonathan Dennison and staff from Silloth Primary as well as Pauline Middleham and the Young Leaders from Solway.





Young players from Silloth Tennis Club followed up last year's success at the Cumbria Youth Games by becoming champions for the second year running.

Consecutive 5-0 victories over Carlisle, host borough Eden and Copeland suggested an easy ride, but easy it wasn't with many matches being very tight and it was the sheer tenacity of Gareth Davenport, Kirsty Girdler, Adam Story, Georgia Wilson, Greg Ramsay and Vicky Stanwix expertly coached by the injured Emily Wise that saw them through. The event was greatly enhanced by

the presence of former



World Number One and Olympic Silver Medallist, wheelchair Tennis player Mark Eccleston, who after watching proceedings held an autograph and hitting session with our young players to round off the day nicely.

