New Rotary President Installed

It is that time of year when we change our leadership and the Rotary Club of Sillothon-Solway is pleased to welcome John Bowe as its president for 2008-2009.

John took over from Charlie Harrison on 2nd July and his fellow members wish him well.

The members were delighted to see, for the third out of four years, the much coveted Rotary Winter Sports League Trophy (Northern District) returned to its rightful place in the Golf Hotel. The Club's sports team was on the best of form for an away match that took place at the Waverley Hotel against the Rotary Club of Maryport. This Cup Final was a particularly poignant occasion for Sports Officer Chris Puxley who now steps down after several difficult and somewhat trying years of coaxing and cajoling his charges



to get the very best from them. The final score on the evening was 16-8 and the dear old boys from Maryport took their defeat graciously and in good spirit, letting the away team virtually demolish the splendid supper they had laid on before they even got near it!

The Club's irrepressible cycling addict and Past President Chris Puxley has done it again. During the long winter nights he spent hours studying maps, charts and cushtie bed & breakfast establishments to see how to get from coast to coast using a route he has not used previously. This time he chose to wend his wobbly wheels from Walney Island to the Wear. Far

more important than actually (allegedly) enjoying the experience, is the fact that his efforts raised nearly £900 for the Rotary International "Eradicate Polio" Campaign. Well done Chris!

Coming up on the 19th July is the Rotary Club of Silloth-on-Solway Annual Open Golf Tournament details of which may be obtained from any Rotarian or Silloth Golf Club. Last, but most definitely not least, on the 26th July during the weekend of the Kite Festival the club is proud to present the stunning TV & radio award winning recording artists "The Swing Commanders" in a marquee on the green. This really is a night not to be missed and tickets $(\pounds 5)$ may be obtained from the Golf Hotel or any Rotarian.





Holme St. Cuthbert School Litter Pickers



Holme St Cuthbert Primary School pupils accompanied by teachers and parents joined Allerdale Borough Council's Litter bug character and the Solway Coast AONB Ranger, Graeme Proud, on a recent litter picking event, which took place on the beach at Mawbray. The children were

given a talk about the amount of damage

that can be done to the environment by discarded litter, and also made aware of the dangers to the local wildlife population before setting off in their groups to collect as much as they could in a two hour period. At the end of the litter session children had collected twelve bags of various litter items, including large plastic drums and a car bumper

bar.

Graeme Proud explained that it is highly important that young children are taught a few basic principles about litter awareness at an early age, this simple lesson should stay with them throughout their school years and will make them more aware of how important their local environment is and why it is protected.

Mayors Report by Graham Wilkinson

Graham announced he had attended several events i.e. Cockermouth Civic Service, Silloth Vintage Rally, Pensioners Strawberry Tea and the Convalescent Home AGM.

The police report this month included several thefts around the town, four persons have been arrested, a further arrest was made following damage to a car, three people have been arrested following assaults. The police have also been gathering information regarding problems on the Green.

The Skinburness Residents Association are seeking permission for two entrance to the Solway Holiday Village together with the one at the entrance to Moricambe Park, the Town Council strongly object to this happening. Notification was received to changes in bus services both to Carlisle and Maryport. Several planning applications were noted and discussed where a decision was required. Reports were received re the Primary School play at Stanwix along with several other schools. Regeneration, further update was given regarding the Lottery Bid, which is nearing completion.

Concerns have been

other than when events are being held, this is in contravention of the byelaws of the Green, action may need to be taken if the problem continues. Allotment holders have reported several occasions when travellers have been found within the area removing articles and filling barrels of water, some form of barrier is to be investigated.

A request was received from the Solway Woodcarvers Group for continued use of the Community Centre, this was agreed, all present praised the amount of charity work undertaken and the funds raised for local groups.



notice boards, an enquiry is to be made with the planning department. Correspondence dealt with this month included two requests for the placing of memorial seats, further details to be obtained regarding style and position. A further complaint was received regarding the public toilets this has been passed to Allerdale Borough Council. Information was received via Allerdale of BT's proposal to remove the phone box at the

raised in regard to vehicles parking on the Green

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