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Silloth Tigers Team of the Year



The talent and dedication of athletes, sports teams, volunteers and coaches were celebrated at the annual Allerdale Sports Awards.

The coveted Sports Person of the Year was awarded to William Bowe. Fourteen year old athlete Olivia Mason collected the Junior Sports Person Award.

Rising Star Awards were given to javelin thrower Rachel Gallagher, pentathlete Samantha Clark and downhill mountain biker Luke Birkett. Don Heaney was awarded Volunteer of the Year.

Coach of the Year went to qualified Karate instructor and Second Dan grade Lauren Crawford. A special mention went to Andy Rush in this category.

Joanna Tindall received the Young Sports Leader of the Year trophy and Ella

Cooper Holmes received the Performance Award for a person with a disability.

Silloth Rugby Club First Team were named Team of the Year for an outstanding 12 months. A special mention went to Allerdale Girls' Football Club under 14's.

A Special Award was given to Liz Jackson for her contribution to coaching at Wigton Squash Club. Barry Johnston also received a special mention for his dedication to the Tri-Lakeland Club.

Mark Fryer, Executive Member and deputy leader of the Council, said: "The awards are a fantastic opportunity to pay tribute to those who dedicate so much of their time to competing, coaching and volunteering in sport."

Jimmy Lettice said: "A

massive well done and special mention to Mark Orchard for putting this squad of players together and putting Silloth Tigers well and truly on the map."

Each winner received a trophy and each will go through to the Cumbria Sports Awards to be held on Friday 27th November at the Low Wood Bay Resort Hotel, Windermere.



Don't Miss Silloth Christmas Lights SWITCH-ON 28th Nov 4pm to 6:30pm

See Pictures of RMW2 at Stanwix Park on SolwayBuzz.co.uk

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Silloth Green is listed under the parks in the North of England. Click on the list of parks, find Silloth Green and then click on the 'Vote' button on the right hand side. Simply fill in your name and email address to register your vote. Then look out for an email from Fields in Trust and click the link contained within, to verify your vote.

Santa's Sleigh is on Sunday 20th December

Report by: Geoff Betsworth

Although we are aware that Christmas seems to come round earlier by the year, it is time to mention the annual visit that Santa Claus makes to the town.

This year, Silloth Rotary

Club has arranged for him visit Silloth on Sunday 20th December. He has agreed once again to call in at the town's care homes, starting at 2pm with the Convalescent Home and heading up to his usual starting point of Skinburness via the Good Companions, Little Acre and Chichester Hall.

He will then be setting off on the Silloth trail from Dickrod Lane at approximately 3:30pm. He will visit Moricambe Park (road end), Skinburness Drive and then, travelling down Skinburness Road, he will follow the traditional Carnival route through the town, ending up in West Silloth.

Santa will be handing out gifts to the little ones and his team of helpers, conspicuous in their new high-vis jackets, will be carrying the usual yellow Rotary collection buckets in which to drop any spare cash for Rotary charities.



Golden Wedding

Ivy and Roland said "We would like to thank our daughter Yvonne and son-in-law Craig for the wonderful surprise party organised to celebrate our 50th Wedding Anniversary on 30th October (what a surprise it was).

Also a very big thank you to Yvonne Cannon (our best friend) for the lovely cake she made. It was beautiful and to all our Family and Friends for making such a special effort for us both, for their lovely cards and gifts and for sharing our very special day.

Thanks also to Alison Henderson for the delicious buffet, and to Owen, Paula and staff at the Golf Hotel for all their hard work.

We truly had a wonderful night."



Roland & Ivy Donald wed on 30th October 1965

Christmas Sing-Song

St. Andrews church will be having an old fashioned Christmas sing song in their church hall on Saturday 12th December from 7pm until 9:30pm approx.

There will be lots of the old Christmas songs to sing, poems and Christmas type stories, followed by those well loved carols you know, all by candlelight.

After, there will be refreshments, tea/coffee and mince pies.

Tickets will be available in December from Silloth On Solway Charity Shop and Our Doors Open on a Tuesday, tickets are £4.00. Come along and start your Christmas with happiness and fun.

Longcake Charity

Does anyone know the whereabouts of the Longcake Charity School Honours Board?

This is a wooden board that used to hang in the old Colt Park School, Causewayhead, it named all the children who achieved a high standard of education who attended the school.

The honours board was last seen at the Discovery Centre in Silloth but since then its location is unknown.

If you have any information on this matter please contact Liz Gilroy 016973 61240.

Mothers Union

Report by: Gladys Temple

Brenda Sim Branch Leader welcomed everyone to the Abbey Coffee Shop and apologies were received from Margaret Hocking, Noeline Foster, Mary Mattinson, Margaret Thompson and Muriel Studholme.

Anita Norman led the prayers including our own members who are ill and also the overseas members. Pax Garabedian was then introduced to give us a wonderful slide show of he and his wives visit to Japan concentrating on the magnificent colours of the autumn leaves. He could not get over how clean the whole country was and went through various cities and the costumes of the Geisha

Girls.

Gladys thanked Pax for a wonderful show then Maureen Gibson and Eileen Todhunter served the refreshments. Joan Winter then read out the record of several meetings and a letter from Mary Mattinson unfortunately resigning after many years as a well loved member.

Birthday wishes were sung to Elsie Foster and Muriel Studholme to celebrate their 90th Birthdays.

The Advent Carol Service will be held at St. Michaels Workington during December. There will be a service for the retirement of Mary Banks the Deanery Leader who has been in charge for six years.

Dracula Comes to Mawbray

Be very afraid!

The Mawbray Entertainers are already in rehearsal for their annual production. This time it will be their interpretation of the world's favourite vampire, although in their take on the story Dracula meets other pantomime regulars Snow White and Cinderella – and he is afraid of his mother.

The dates for your diary are 17th to 20th February in Culterham Hall, and more details will be available nearer the time.

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Silloth Lights Switch-On

A Message from Silloth Christmas Lights Committee

The Light Switch on will be held on Saturday 28th November, on the Green from 4pm to 6:30pm.

The funfair will be there and also Eric Stanwix will be providing the entertainment.

We do have room for a few stalls so if anyone would like to attend please contact Mandy Kerr on 07841 762801. We are also offering local businesses the opportunity to advertise their business with banners around the entertainment arena. There is a small charge of £10 for this (you will need to provide the banner), alternatively if you would like to make a small donation please contact Alison Henderson at Silloth Café.

Santa will be in his grotto as usual in Silloth Café, Santa will be there from

3pm to 5:30pm, the cost of this will be £2 per child and includes a small gift.

We really hope to see you on the 28th!

This year we have decided not to do a Santa Dash; this decision hasn't been taken lightly and we as a committee feel it would be better to hold the event when the weather is better and make a real day/weekend of it. We are looking at holding it on a weekend in June/July, after we have walked the usual route dressed in Christmas attire we will head to the green where there will be entertainment on for all ages. If anybody has any ideas for this day we would be delighted to hear them.

There will be an AGM for the Silloth Christmas Lights Committee on Tuesday 19th January 2016, 7pm Silloth Café.



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St. Andrews News

Report by: Penny Stimson

St. Andrews Church would like to thank all the people who so kindly provided cakes and jam for our Macmillan Tea on Friday 26th October. We managed to raise £160 and give a big thank you to everyone who came, also to Kerstin who so kindly organised the event.

On Saturday 21st November, St. Andrews Church will be having a Christmas Bazaar and Santa in his Grotto. It will be from 10am to 2pm with cake stalls, games and lots of gift ideas also tea and coffee.

On Saturday 12th

December at St. Andrew Church Hall there will be an 'Old Fashioned Christmas Sing Song'. All the old Christmas songs and carols, there will be mince pies and tea/coffee. Come along and have a really good time all welcome, tickets will be on sale in November.

St Andrews Church Hall is available to rent for birthdays, Christmas parties and weddings as well as for organisations to meet. We have a excellent kitchen with all the tables and items needed. For more details please call Edith on 016973 31607.



Tour of Beetown by Joshua Williamson from Holme Cultram Abbey School



Autumn Bee by Lois from Holm St Cuthbert School

Soldiers in Silloth

Soldiers in Silloth will be closed for repair and re-decoration during December and January.

The museum will reopen at weekends from February and during the week for Easter School Holidays.

This may be the last chance for people to visit the World War 1 exhibition, which features memorabilia of Silloth people, as it will close unless schools make bookings for 2016.

There will be new displays in the new year so, even if you've been already, make a point of supporting Silloth's unique attraction.

The museum opened in 2012 and visitors from as far afield as the USA and Russia have travelled to Silloth especially to see the soldiers.

The first visitors' book has just had to be replaced. Comments in it include "I could live here!", "a real inspiration", "Nostalgia and learning at its best. A unique asset", "Wicked!!".

And a visiting General (!) pronounced it "Excellent".

Beetle Drive

Report by: Penny Stimson

St. Andrews Church held a Beetle Drive with tattie hash, trifle, cake, plus tea/coffee, on Saturday 10th October in their hall.

After being well fed, the fun began with rules, paper and dice. The noise was loud as the dice clanked and then fell onto the tables to shouts of oh! or yes! as a six had to be thrown to draw the Beetles body and start the game for each player. The winner was the one at the end who had the most points from all the games.

Everyone said they enjoyed themselves and we raised £251.60 for the Church.

A big thank you to all who came.

Grand Craft Items Raffle

Report by: Jennifer Bailey
Photo by: Peter Dowdell

The final event in the disposal of craft items belonging to the late Mrs Sue Hulbert was held in St. Andrew's Church Hall on 13th October with a Grand Raffle of a quilt started by Mrs Hulbert and completed by the Silloth Patchwork Heaven Group.

The event was well attended and refreshments were served, included in the price of entry, all proceeds to be divided between the Silloth Lifeboat and the Royal British Legion. The list of prize winners is:

The Quilt depicting a farm scene was won by Vicki Hope.

Knitted and Crocheted blankets were won by Maggie Dunn, Enda Keaveney, Joan Bowe and Ivy Mattinson.

A Christmas Cushion was won by Susan Clow.

Baby's Play Cube by Robina Bond.

Toiletries by Molly Lomas.

Christmas Tree Decoration by Olga Hetherington.

£86 was raised by the



A delighted Vicki Hope with quilt outside her tearoom

raffle and coffee afternoon and total profits from all sales of goods amounted to £700 which is to be distributed according to the wishes of Mr Ted Hulbert and mentioned above.

Mrs Brenda Dowdell of Silloth Patchwork Heaven,

thanks everyone who helped and supported the events in any way with the various sorting and collating of Mrs Hulbert's items and doing everything possible to make Mr Hulbert's wishes for his wife's crafting items successful.

Marilyn's Walk Raises £1,800



Saturday 19th September dawned a dry, bright and calm day, ideal for walking. An excellent turn out made for a special day.

Many walked on the beach to Allonby as the tide was out, others walked through very wet grass. From Allonby everyone used the

cycle track. The untarred section being very hard on the feet. On arrival everyone was made very welcome at Maryport Navy Club before returning to Silloth at 5:30pm.

Twenty people completed the walk including a twelve year

old boy called Angel. The final magnificent amount collected by sponsorship was £1,800. This is to be equally divided between Silloth First Responders and Cumbria Air Ambulance service.

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Silloth & District Chamber of Trade

A new group has been launched to help boost trade and promote local businesses in Silloth and its inaugural meeting was attended by nearly 25% of the businesses in the town.

Business owners and members of the community have joined forces to launch a Chamber of Trade. The objective is to use their experience and expertise to increase trading opportunities and pull more income and visitors into the town. Don Graham is temporary Chair of the group. He said "One of the obvious roles of a Chamber of Trade is to improve the overall profitability; that has to be a core objective. It is also about promoting loyalty to local businesses."

Initially the idea to form such a group came from the Silloth Tourism Action Group with a view to getting the businesses engaged in working more in partnership with other businesses to increase the local economy. Its main focus will be to give the businesses community

some representation, to give them a voice. There are a lot of changes going on and a recent Government initiative is the creation of coastal community teams. There is funding available for projects that could benefit a coastal town such as ours. However, as always, such funding is dependent on being able to demonstrate the involvement and support of all elements of the local community.

The Chamber of Trade wants to become a point of promotion for business in the town with its own website. One aim identified is to re-establish a manned tourist information centre. Those who attended the meeting resolved to encourage other businesses in the town and surrounding district to become involved in the group.

Meetings will take place on the third Thursday of each month in the Golf Hotel at 7pm.

Further information can be obtained from Don Graham on 016973 31698 or dgraham1@btinternet.com.

Charity Night Raises £960



Report by: Anne Blair

The sell-out charity night for Silloth Nursing Home on Saturday 10th October organised by Carl Phillips raised £960.

Silloth Nursing Home would like to thank most sincerely Carl Phillips, Nicola B, Eric Stanwix Secret Road Show and Just Jock for providing excellent entertainment for the charity event and for giving their time in aid of the charity.

The bowling club for the use of the venue, proceeds from the Spot the Ball and a special mention must go to

the hard working bar staff on the night.

Thank you to local businesses and individuals for the donations of raffle prizes, there was a wonderful selection including Cushions, Bottles, Chocolates and Sunday lunch for four at Jacks Surf Bar.

There was a wonderful feeling of community spirit, it was a fabulous night and very well supported.

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Motor Cross Bee by Oscar Hyde from Silloth Primary School

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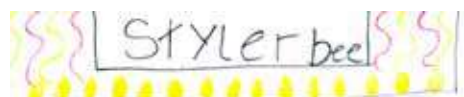
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Graeme Henderson and Shona Turney (nee Henderson) would like to give a huge thank-you to everyone who supported them for running the Great North Run in September.

They both completed the course, Graeme in a time

of 1 hour 58 minutes and Shona in 2 hours 32 minutes. Having completed the run the Northern Oesophageal and Stomach Cancer Unit at the RVI will now receive a cheque for £2,000.

Once again many thanks to all.

Hear the Harlequin Choir in Concert



The Harlequin Choir returns to Silloth again for their ever popular concert of Christmas songs and carols on Friday 4th December 2015.

The concert is in aid of the Silloth Fundraising Branch of the RNLI and will be held in Christ Church Hall, Solway Street, Silloth commencing at 7pm. This

year there are many new additions to the choir's repertoire. There will be a Christmas themed room raffle and RNLI Christmas cards and 2016 calendars will be on sale.

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Christmas Events in Allonby

Today the Christmas calendar of festive events for Allonby was published and news announced that the "Old Allonby" charity calendar is now available by mail order allowing it to be sent as a special Xmas present.

Santa made a special pre-Christmas visit to Allonby Primary School to announce forthcoming fundraising festive events, opportunities to buy Christmas presents, the "Old Allonby" calendar and when he will visit to meet local children:-

- Sunday 1st November, Book Fair, the Village Hall. An eclectic collection of books has already been put together for the sale and books can still be donated via Melanie Walker, tel. 01900 881216 and Roger Hart, tel: 01900 881219. Visitors will be able to peruse the books in a convivial atmosphere with coffee and cake on sale.
- Sunday 15th November - Christmas Fair, in the Village Hall, an array of stalls will offer crafts, home-made produce and all sorts of traditional amusements and competitions such as a bran tub.
- Saturday 21st November, Allonby's got Talent, from 7pm in the school hall, an evening of entertainment



Allonby Primary School pupils, L- R: Megan Donald, Santa, Millie Green and Jaxson Molyneux

including a performance by the Allonby Ukulele Group and entrants in the talent competition. To enter contact Pam Jones, tel: 01900 881263.

- Saturday 12th December, 6pm the village Christmas tree lights switch-on, the playground, followed by a procession to the Village Hall for carol singing, storytelling with mince pies and mulled wine when Santa will attend to meet children.

The calendar of events will be published in ABC, Allonby Beachcomber, the monthly village newsletter which is available in shops and establishments in

the area @ 30p and by subscription via rwagg@wagghome.demon.co.uk

The "Old Allonby" charity calendar, featuring 12 rarely seen old photographs of the village, is on sale in all outlets in the village as well as Maryport Maritime Museum and Maryport Roman Museum and will be on sale at all the festive events @ £5.00.

Over 250 copies have already been sold locally with all profit going towards the registered charity to restore the Allonby Village Hall. Janet Wilshaw, Chairman of the Allonby Village Hall Management

Committee, came up with the idea for the calendar and soon learnt that locals were purchasing it not just for themselves but to send to people who have fond memories of Allonby and can relate to its' heritage. With Christmas coming it is now available mail-order and can be posted as a gift. To order contact:

Janet Wilshaw, Eskrigg, The Square, Allonby, Workington, CA15 6QA.

Include payment of £6.30, cheques made payable to - Allonby Village Hall (£5.00 for the calendar, £1.30 post and packing) Advise if the calendar is to be forwarded, with recipient name and address, as an Xmas present and include words for a gift tag which will be completed and included.

For any queries contact: Janet Wilshaw tel: 01900 881447 e-mail: allonbyvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk

750 copies of the calendar have been designed and produced by Firpress of Workington which if sold out could raise over £2,000 towards the refurbishment of the interior of the village hall to ensure it continues to be the hub of the community offering up to date facilities for events and functions for future generations.

Arthritis Support

Report by: Gladys Temple

Margaret Armstrong welcomed ten members to the new venue of Wigton Bowling Club, West Road, Wigton where they were made most welcome.

Apologies were received from Gladys, Edna, Catherine and Pauline then Margaret welcomed Leo and Jean Holden who gave a lovely slide show of the East End of Wigton. Even though some members were not brought up in Wigton they found it really interesting to see what it used to be like and Margaret thanked Leo and Jean for a lovely show.

Lillian Gordon won the raffle. The next meeting to be held on 4th December at Wigton Bowling Club will be a 'bring and share' afternoon tea. Please also bring any poems, short stories etc to share

Visit Santas Grotto

Santa is coming to town

Santa will be in his grotto at St. Andrews Church Hall, Silloth, on Saturday 21st November, from 10am to 12pm. Entry per child is £2 which includes a present. Babies under one are free.



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Silloth Carnival Update

The Committee of Silloth Carnival would like to say a big heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported the event this year in particular to those that helped on the day; the volunteers, the judges and for all of you that came to watch – without you it would not have been possible.

We would also like to thank local businesses that supported the event financially – we hope we can encourage more of this next year. A special thank you to SPAR Silloth for not only supporting the Carnival through the purchasing of advertisements but for also running several different fund-raisers throughout the year – the profits of which were donated to the Carnival Committee.

As a new Committee we are incredibly proud of how events ran on the day, we have received lots of positive feedback and have gained valuable experience which will help us make Silloth Carnival 2016 even bigger and better.

Silloth Carnival 2016 - We have already begun planning fund-raisers to enable next year's event to take place. The first fundraiser to take place will be a family Christmas disco

which will be held in the Rugby club on Friday 11th December 2015, this is the disco where we will pick the 2016 Carnival Queen – so put this date in your diary now!

Finally we would just like to say thank you for all those who donated prizes to our raffle, and to everyone who bought a programme or raffle ticket in support of the event. The raffle prizes have now been given out and the winners were as follows:

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1st Silloth Scout Group



Report by: Angela Ellwood

September saw our first Annual General Meeting. We were successful in appointing our Executive Committee. Duly elected were Suzanne Stanley as Chair. Ruth Carter as Secretary and Emma Millican as Treasurer. We would like to thank these volunteers and wish them a successful and rewarding tenure of office. We would like to take

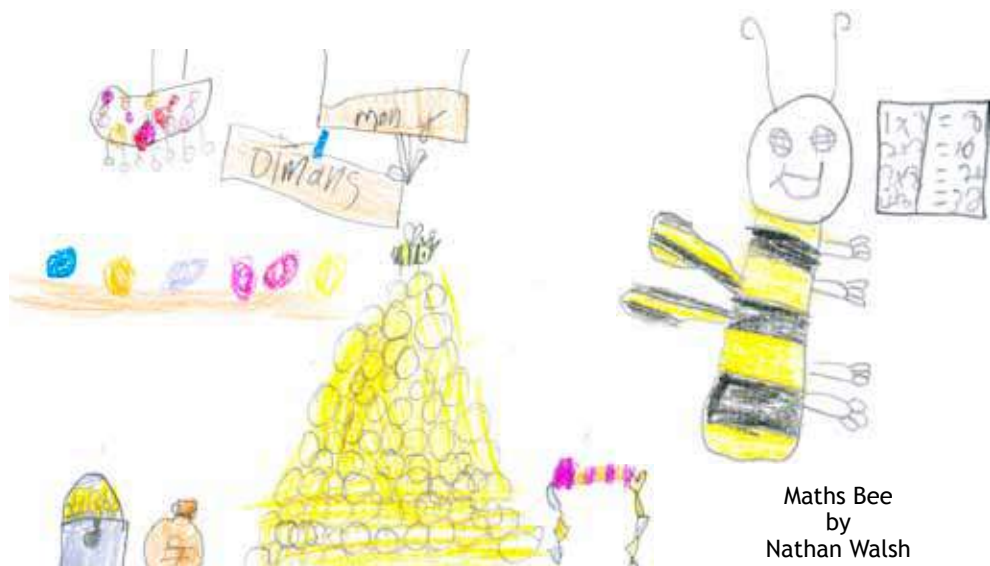
this opportunity to welcome eleven new members to our Scout Group. We held our investiture in October which also saw some Beavers move up to our Cubs Pack along with a Cub move up to our Scout Troop.

All the Sections have worked hard during the first half term with Badges completed being the Model Maker Badge and Disability Awareness Badge. In addition the Beavers have also

made strides towards their Creative Badge.

We've made plans to take part in the Cubs invasion of Blackpool to celebrate 100 years of Cubs, in February and we're also making steps towards confirming our camping dates – it's going to be another busy year ahead!

If you'd like to get involved, please let us know – we meet on a Tuesday evening from 5:30pm at St Andrews Hall, term time.



Rich Bee
by Isla from Holme St Cuthbert School

Maths Bee
by
Nathan Walsh
from
Silloth
Primary
School

Country Festival Raises £2,850

Stanwix Park Country & Western Music Festival was once again a great success with various raffles, competitions and auctions raising £2,853.49.

This will be presented to a charity at the next festival, 4th - 6th March 2016, which is almost sold out already!

A big thanks to everyone involved, see you in March at Stanwix Park for another fantastic weekend of music, shootouts and fun.



Mammy Bee
by
Ava-Grace Warwick
from
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Whattalife! What a Show!

Report by: Frank Devine

Sunday 18th October 2015 I'm sitting in Culterham Village Hall, Mawbray, and all the hands on the watches and clocks start whizzing backwards so fast they are just a blur!

Portraits of Queen Elizabeth II and Winston Churchill appear again in the lounge of the Golf Hotel, and the Skinburness Hotel is lit up and open as usual. To cap it all Kathleen Ferrier walks on stage, large as life and starts talking! I look down and I'm back in short trousers and a snake belt: 'Blow The Wind Southerly' is on the 'wireless' in my grandmother's kitchen and the great contralto voice is engraved on a young boy's memory forever.

Thank you Mawbray for staging a very special performance of 'Whattalife!' under the Arts Out West banner, in which the incredibly talented Lucy Stevens, actress and contralto, pays tribute to Kathleen Ferrier in her one woman play. The acting was superb and provided a wonderful insight into the

personality of the singer and her eventful, private and public life; a life that included her time in Silloth as 'Mrs Wilson', wife of Bert Wilson the one time local bank manager in Eden Street.

Lucy's fine contralto voice was beautiful accompanied by Elizabeth Marcus on piano. Together they worked their way through pieces by composers like Mahler, Handel, Purcell and Britten, with incidental songs thrown in for fun. They were all perfect.

These productions at Culterham Village Hall provide an opportunity to get right up close to the performance in a way that larger venues cannot. I was close enough to witness the final silent seconds of Lucy Stevens emotional portrayal of Kathleen Ferrier. Real



Lucy Stevens as Kathleen Ferrier

tears rolled down her cheeks - not a hint of hysteria - just pure talent, great dedication and unquestionable respect for a wonderful singer.

Thank you to the Committee of Culterham Hall for looking after us so well and bringing the great Kathleen Ferrier back to us on this special evening.

Chief Cashier opens Bubble



On November 6th Victoria Cleland, Chief Cashier, Bank of England officially opened Innovia Films' new Bubble 8, Clarity™C line at their UK Wigton site.

Victoria was given a tour of the new production facility accompanied by Mark Robertshaw, CEO – Innovia Group, Joe Piccione, MD – Innovia Films and Bernhard Imbach, MD – Innovia Security. During the visit she met some of the BOPP management team who were involved in the 18 month Bubble construction programme.

The new line is part of an overall investment

along with Cindy and the Bullets, also Superfly.

There will be other acts to be confirmed nearer the time.

Individual day and evening tickets will be available in the New Year.

Above: inspecting the Guardian film
Below: Victoria Cleland unveils the plaque with Innovia Group CEO, Mark Robertshaw



programme of over £40 million which includes the build of a completely new Innovia Security opacification plant on land adjacent to Innovia Films BOPP facility. This will enable Guardian® substrate to be produced at the same location as the manufacture of Clarity™C, the base film used to make Guardian®.

The Clarity™C line has increased security controls to ensure that only those with official clearance have access to the restricted areas.

After the tour, Victoria unveiled a commemorative plaque in the atrium of OPP 2, the building that houses the new line. The visit ended with speeches in the Lowther

R&D Centre where Mark enthused "We are truly delighted that our unique film manufactured here in Wigton will be used for the Bank of England's new £5 and £10 banknotes. The first banknote to be issued is the £5 note featuring Sir Winston Churchill in 2016."

Victoria commented "It is exciting today to visit the site where the polymer for our new £5 and £10 banknotes will be produced. The opening of the new Bubble is a key milestone in delivering our evolutionary polymer banknotes and ensuring that our banknotes remain fit for purpose and provide strong counterfeit resilience."

Get Your EarlyBird Tickets

EarlyBird tickets for the Silloth Music & Beer Festival weekend from 8th to 11th September 2016 are now on sale from Winters Newsagents. The EarlyBird tickets are only £35 for the

full weekend, the normal 2016 price is £50 so this is your chance to grab a bargain!

Stanwix Holiday Park and the Solway Holiday Village are also doing

package deals for camping and caravanning breaks.

Headliners for 2016 are top Scottish rockers, the Big Country, also appearing is a welcome return for Roy G Hemmings and his Motown and Philadelphia Show with their fifteen piece band!

In addition, Europe's premier Who tribute Who's Next are booked and also the Bryan Adams Experience,



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by Emily Hetherington from Silloth Primary School



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by Ellie Chester from Holme St Cuthbert School

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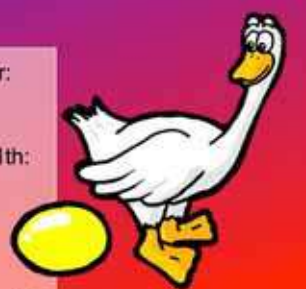
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Silloth Brownies at 50



Brownies has officially been running in Silloth for 50 years, we celebrated with a party on the 26th of September.

Our guests included; past leaders, parents and members of the community who came out to support us. The current Brownies enjoyed looking at the old photographs that were brought in and trying to spot people they knew.

Well done to the girls who were fantastic, they addressed and welcomed the guests, performed songs and dressed up - all to show how the unit has changed since 1965!

Thank you to everyone that helped us celebrate such an important date. A special thank you needs to go to the Silloth on Solway charity shop who continuously help us throughout the year for which we are extremely grateful.

Top: Current Brownie Guides and Leaders
Below: Lola Hoodless (left) Lilly Martin (right) looking at old photos
Bottom: Past and Current Leaders



Silloth's Railcar - The Wirksworth Connection

Story by: Neil Ferguson-Lee

Part 1 of 3

The Ecclesbourne Valley Railway, based at Wirksworth, Derbyshire has a reputation as being the home to a collection of diesel railcars that are used regularly to take leisure passengers from the main line junction at Duffield to the historic market town on the boundaries of the Peak District.

The railcars that run along the Ecclesbourne valley are virtually extinct from the main line, the only exceptions being one or two used for shuttle services between Princes Risborough and Aylesbury. However, two of the EVR's railcars, one in service and the other under restoration, are doubly historical, they are known as Derby Lightweights and were the pioneers of a type of train that, in modern form, is almost universal today.

Origins

Railcars had operated on Britain's railways since the early 1900s when the London & South Western and Great Western railways had introduced steam-powered railcars on various lightly-used lines. Nearly 100 were introduced by the GWR but in the face of competition from road transport, many were converted into railmotors.

At Nationalisation, steam locomotives predominated on non-electrified lines and by 1951, the Railway Executive produced a weighty report. The report dedicated a chapter to railcars and recommended that ...there should be an immediate investigation ... with the object of determining:-

(a) What fast rail-car workings could, with advantage, be introduced into the timetables additional to the existing steam services and on the lines suggested ...

(b) How a series of fast, attractive, comfortable and economical diesel rail - cars for main-line and cross-country services could be constructed in the quickest time possible.

This was the starting pistol for the development and introduction of diesel railcars and by 1954 the first was ready for trials.

The first scheme was in West Yorkshire and the results were encouraging. As a result, authorisation was given to develop a plan for dieselisation of several areas in the north of England and



one of these areas was West Cumbria.

The Silloth Connection

The introduction of diesel railcars to West Cumbria was both a vote of confidence in the future of the counties' railways (it was still Cumberland and Westmorland until 1974) and a bold attempt to improve the finances of a range of services running between Carlisle and the industrial centres of Maryport, Workington and Whitehaven. This network extended from the spectacular Cockermouth, Keswick & Penrith Railway through the heart of the

The Silloth Branch had opened in 1856 and development by the North British Railway led to Silloth being built on a grand scale as a resort town with an active dockyard that remains busy today. Grouping of the railways in 1923 led to the Silloth Branch being owned by the London & North Eastern Railway, an anomaly in an area dominated by the London Midland & Scottish Railway. At Nationalisation in 1948, the line was quickly absorbed into the London Midland Region.

Dieselisation came soon to the Silloth Branch, indeed the line was regarded as the



Cumbrian fells to the Maryport & Carlisle line crossing the plain of the Solway Firth. It was to the coast at Silloth that diesel services were extended in 1954.

To residents of Carlisle and industrial towns of the far North West, the railway to Silloth was known as The Holiday Line. Leaving the main line just north of Carlisle station, the railway initially took a winding course which followed the formation of the Carlisle Canal. However, beyond Drumburgh, it took a more direct route across the Solway Plain through Kirkbride and Abbeytown. Between these two points, the line had shared a path with the Caledonian Railway's route from Brayton, near Aspatria, to Annan, crossing the mile-long Solway Viaduct at Bowness which had closed in 1921 and was demolished in 1935.

first line to be dieselised. This is a slight exaggeration as steam featured regularly on the line until the very end and, indeed, the final train was indeed steam-hauled.

Lightly-engineered, the track would have benefitted from the light touch of a diesel railcar, while the frequency of the service (five return trips on weekdays, seven on summer Saturdays and just three on Sundays) allowed for a pretty sharp turnaround at Silloth. The finances of the Silloth Branch also received a turnaround. The Lightweight Trains Committee of the LMR reported a 10% increase in revenue for the first four weeks of railcar operation in December 1954 which led to an increase in service frequency and, the following year, an increase in the speed limit for railcars.

The experiment was a success and for the next decade, Silloth enjoyed a frequent diesel service to Carlisle.

Unfortunately, it was not to last.

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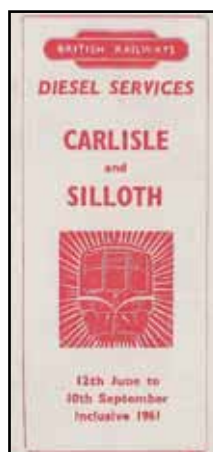


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Silloth Tots & Toddlers meet in
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Dates for the Diary

November

21st Silloth RUFC
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21st Christmas Bazaar
with Santa in Grotto, in St
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21st Allonby’s Got Talent
in the school hall, to enter
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22nd Christmas Craft Fair
in Culterham Hall, Mawbray
from 10am to 4pm

24th Christmas Sale at
Silloth Nursing Home

28th Christmas Party with
Silloth & District Pensioners,
in Stanwix Park, tea at 3:30pm
entertainment by Just Steve

28th Silloth Christmas
Lights Switch-On from 4pm to
6:30pm. Santas Grotto 3pm to
5:30pm in Corner Cafe

Indoor Bowling

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the end of March from
7pm to 9:30pm in
Abbeytown Village Hall

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December

1st Solway Tea Dance
in Westnewton Village Hall
1:45-3:45pm, Tel: 016973 51603

4th Harlequin Choir in
Christ Church hall at 7pm

5th Coffee Morning in
Christ Church Hall at 10am
Entrance £4 inc refreshments

5th Silloth RUFC
Silloth v St Benedicts

5th Mother Goose
Pantomime at John Peel
Theatre at 2pm and 7pm

7th Silloth Town Council
meet, 7pm in Community Hall

7th Mother Goose
Pantomime at John Peel
Theatre at 7pm

8th Mother Goose
Pantomime at John Peel
Theatre at 7pm

9th Mother Goose
Pantomime at John Peel
Theatre at 7pm

10th Mother Goose
Pantomime at John Peel
Theatre at 7pm

11th Male Voice Choir
Concert in Christ Church Hall
with pie & pea supper at 7pm
and a new programme

11th Mother Goose
Pantomime at John Peel
Theatre at 7pm

11th Family Christmas
Disco in Silloth Rugby Club
where the Carnival Queen for
2016 will be selected

12th Crunch Service in
Skinburness Road Car Park
from 8am to 9:45am

12th Causewayhead WI
meeting in Methodist School
Hall at 2pm for AGM

12th Silloth RUFC
Upper Eden v Silloth

12th Mother Goose
Pantomime at John Peel
Theatre at 2pm and 7pm

12th Allonby Christmas
Tree lights switch-on at 6pm

12th Old Fashioned
Christmas Sing-Song in St
Andrews Church Hall from 7pm
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15th Solway Tea Dance
in Westnewton Village Hall
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17th Chamber of Trade
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19th Silloth RUFC
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January 2016

9th Silloth RUFC
Whitehaven v Silloth

14th Causewayhead WI
meeting in Methodist School
Hall at 2pm for members
afternoon

16th Crunch Service in
Skinburness Road Car Park
from 8am to 9:45am

16th Silloth RUFC
Silloth v Hawcoat Park

19th AGM of Silloth
Christmas Lights Committee
in Silloth Cafe at 7pm, all
welcome

21st Chamber of Trade
meeting in Golf Hotel at 7pm
open to all

23rd Silloth RUFC
Silloth v Bolton

23rd Burns Night in St
Andrews Church Hall 7pm to
9:30pm

30th Silloth RUFC
St Benedicts v Silloth

February

6th Coffee Morning in the
Recreation Hall at 10am with
Silloth & District Pensioners

11th Causewayhead WI
meeting in Methodist School
Hall at 2pm

13th Crunch Service in
Skinburness Road Car Park
from 8am to 9:45am

13th Pancake Coffee
Morning in St Andrews Church
Hall from 10am to 12 noon

13th Silloth RUFC
Silloth v Upper Eden

17th Dracula Comes to
Mawbray in Culterham Hall

18th Chamber of Trade
meeting in Golf Hotel at 7pm
open to all

18th Dracula Comes to
Mawbray in Culterham Hall

19th Dracula Comes to
Mawbray in Culterham Hall

20th Silloth RUFC
Aspatia v Silloth

20th Dracula Comes to
Mawbray in Culterham Hall

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5th Coffee Morning in the
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5th Children’s Crafts
making Mothers Day cards from
2pm to 5pm

5th Silloth RUFC
De la Salle (Salford) v Silloth

10th Causewayhead WI
meeting in Methodist School
Hall at 2pm

12th Crunch Service in
Skinburness Road Car Park
from 8am to 9:45am

12th Italian Night in St
Andrews Church Hall from 7pm
to 9:30pm

17th Chamber of Trade
meeting in Golf Hotel at 7pm
open to all

19th Silloth RUFC
Silloth v Fleetwood

26th Children’s Crafts,
Easter Egg decorating in St
Andrews Church Hall from 2pm
to 5pm

April

2nd Coffee Morning in the
Recreation Hall at 10am with
Silloth & District Pensioners

2nd Silloth RUFC
Oldham v Silloth

9th Silloth RUFC
Silloth v Tyldesley

9th Bingo in St Andrews
Church Hall from 7pm to
9:30pm

16th Silloth RUFC
Aldwinians v Silloth

23rd Silloth RUFC
Silloth v Ashton-under-Lyne

23rd Children’s Crafts,
St Georges Day in St Andrews
Church Hall from 2pm to 5pm

May

7th Silloth RUFC
Presentation night

21st Beetle Drive in St
Andrews Church Hall from 7pm
to 9:30pm

June

10th SSW at Stanwix Park
book at www.sswevents.com

11th Silloth Vintage Rally

11th SSW at Stanwix Park
book at www.sswevents.com

12th Silloth Vintage Rally

12th SSW at Stanwix Park
book at www.sswevents.com

18th Children’s Crafts,
Fathers Day cards in St Andrews
Church Hall from 2pm to 5pm

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Letters

Dear Buzz,

I would like to say through the Buzz what a wonderful evening we had on 18th October at Mawbray Village Hall when the committee put on the Kathleen Ferrier "Whattalife" story, expertly portrayed by contralto Lucy Stevens from London.

The hall was packed to capacity to listen to Lucy Stevens go through the life of contralto Kathleen Ferrier in words and songs, all taken from the letters and diaries of the world famous singer. Her time living at Silloth was from 1936 to 1941 during which time her husband Albert Wilson was manager of the then District bank in Eden St. There is a plaque on the wall of the bank building confirming this. It was during this time of her life that she won the coveted Rose Bowl at the Carlisle Festival in 1937, that was the beginning her world wide fame.

Her marriage was not to last and following her divorce in 1947 she reverted to her maiden of Ferrier.

Following Lucy Stevens singing of one of Kathleen's most famous songs "Blow the Wind Southerly", the audience spontaneously broke into her ongoing programme with loud applause.

Thanks to the Mawbray Hall committee for putting on this show.

Lawrence Marshall

Dear Buzz,

Is this you?

Did you find a purse/wallet on Skinburness Road and return it to the family who lost it. If so can you ring 016973 32076.

Dear Buzz,

May I through your newspaper express my public thanks to Mr David Nicholson, Store Manager of Silloth Co-op. David Nicholson, and all his lovely staff, are supporting our community project called 'OUR DOORS OPEN' by donations of food, so we in turn can supply hot lunches every Tuesday from 12 to 1pm for all the good people of Silloth who wish to partake. We are pleased to say that this is proving a very popular venture, with increasing numbers of people turning up each week to enjoy the hospitality and warm friendship our community venture has to offer. We are deeply grateful to Mr David Nicholson, and his staff, for their kind help and involvement in this project. Thank you Silloth Co-op.

Rev. David Harkison
Minister St. Andrews Church

Dear Buzz,

Well, haven't we had a busy Summer? With all the events on the green and the excitement of the cycle race plus the "Most people to form a human bike" which none of the TV news programmes thought worthy of a mention!

The rose garden's blooming beautifully and the numbers of bees around the flowers and especially the lavender plants is very encouraging, Vivian Russell's really earned her crust for all her work there.

Why have there only been disabled pavement markings put on the dropped kerbs around the crossroads at Eden Street and not at all of them in the town?

May be a bit of a breather now, so we can all be revving up for

CHRISTMAS
ARRRRRGHH!

Jennifer



Buzzing Bee
by
Jack Weldon
from
Silloth Primary School

Poems

Halloween
by Penny Stimson

Onward we go into the night
Looking for ghosts to give us a fright,
Looking for goolies and horrible feens
Who howl and jitter and cover our screams.

We're looking for ghosts and horrible thing,
Some without heads, some will have wings,
Some rattle chains to frighten us all,
But we're going together and having a ball !!

The Boiler Battle
by Mrs Jennifer Bailey

I've been on my knees since the dawn chorus started,
I've lit it six times yet I've still be outsmarted,
Each Winter it happens, it's always the same
And still I've not mastered the art of this game.

I've swept out your chimney,
I've cleaned out your flu,
I've scraped out your innards,
What IS wrong with you?

Now wait - there's a flicker, well, only a spark,
The inside of you still looks terribly dark,
Aha! now I've got it, that looks like some smoke,
But no it's blown back and now I must choke!

This boiler's been practising all it's old tricks,
But I'll not be beaten, I'll fetch some more sticks.
I've burnt enough matches to use up a tree,
Still I won't let it get the better of me.

I woo it with coal, with wood and with papers,
I try it with matches, with sticks and with tapers,
I open it's doors and grow dizzy with blowing,
Then I close them again but it still isn't going.

The kitchen is freezing, my nose has turned blue,
My hair's full of coal dust, my fingernails too,
I've grazed both my hands, I've a cut on one thumb
And on top of that lot, my legs have gone numb.

I'll have one more try, but then it's the end
And back to it's makers this boiler I'll send.
I've stretched out my aches and I turn round to see,
Bright orange flames dancing, mocking at me.

I'm washed and I'm clean and outside it's snowing,
My dear little boiler is steadily glowing,
Feet up on a stool, a contented smile,
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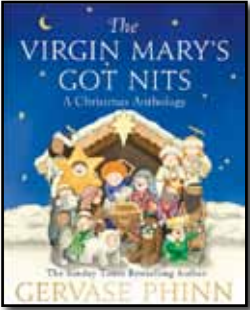


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by Judy Astley



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From butternut squash and chorizo soup, rabbit terrine

cooked in Chablis with grain mustard to Christmas pudding cupcakes.... Why not try something different? Don't forget to check out the party food and drink!

Mollie Makes Christmas



If you're hooked on crochet, hanker for handmade and would rather create your own unique Christmas than buy from a superstore, then this book is for you. It perfectly captures the loving handmade spirit of Mollie Makes.

With a variety of Christmas handicraft projects, ideas for gifts, cards and decorations, and tips for stress-free entertaining. Instructions for knitting,

crochet, sewing and paper craft projects are given, as well as ideas on how to turn your junk-shop finds into festive wonders.

Cafe West at West House win top business award

West House, a charity which provides training and work experience for adults with learning difficulties, won Social Enterprise of the year at CN Group's Business Awards.

The charity currently operates three cafes in the area, one of

which is housed within Workington Library. They also run a garden centre at Allerby, selling plants, homemade jams, pickles and chutneys. Grow West do local home deliveries of eggs and vegetables, and even offer a garden maintenance service!



Masthead Winner

Carlisle Embroidery are generously donating a Solway Buzz embroidered Polo Shirt to the winner. This is in addition to the usual Winners Certificate and £5 Gift Voucher. So, come on kids, get drawing, the Buzz is always looking for more imaginative bees and yours might be the next winner. Send them in to the address on page 10 and a quality Solway Buzz embroidered Polo Shirt from Carlisle Embroidery could be yours.

You don't have to be at school here to send a bee to us. If you are here on holiday we would love to receive your bee drawing. Pick up a form from Silloth Tourist Information and return it there or send it to us, our address on page 10.

This month the winner is Millie Harrison from Holm Cultram Abbey Primary School with a bee drawing called "Glamour Bee".

Well done!



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The Bee at Home by Bobby Forbes from Holme St Cuthbert

On the Water Front

Report by: Captain Slog
September 2015
5th. Eems Dart from Antwerp with a part cargo of fertilizer, then with remainder to Ayr.
8th. Britannica Hav from Hamburg with wheat, then in ballast to Kilroot.
October 2015.
14th. Zapadnyy from Amsterdam with molasses, then in ballast to Bremen.
23rd. Sea Lady from St Nazaire with wheat, then in ballast to Southampton.

Solway / Liverpool Shipping Services – Part 1

In the days before railway links reached the city of Carlisle, access to the sea which gave unlimited trade routes for Carlisle businesses was of vital importance. In 1823, this led to the opening of a canal from Carlisle, to the coast at a point called Fishers Cross. This location, which became known as Port Carlisle, was little more than an entrance lock for the canal and a short stretch of quay wall, sheltered by a rudimentary breakwater. The area outside the canal entrance remained tidal and any vessel at the so called ‘port’, would be stranded soon after each high water.

However, in 1825, a regular weekly shipping, or ‘packet’ service was established between Port Carlisle and Liverpool. (A ‘Packet’ or ‘Pacquet’, was a vessel that carried domestic mail, passengers and freight on a fixed short route between ports). The newly formed Carlisle & Liverpool Steam Navigation Company (C&LSNCo) began operating a small paddle-steamer called the ‘Solway’, which plied between Port Carlisle and Liverpool, calling off Annan, Maryport and Whitehaven en-route. (‘Calling off’ – presumably meaning that the steamer did not actually go into those ports, but stopped briefly, allowing passengers and freight to be transferred into or from a small local tender, a risky business even on a calm day!). Arrivals and departures at Port Carlisle were timed to coincide with high waters, to allow the steamers to navigate the upper Solway Firth access channel and secure briefly alongside the port quayside. Business was good for the C&LSNCo, such that in 1827 the ‘Solway’ was joined by the paddle steamer ‘Cumberland’, which enabled the company to operate a twice weekly service to Liverpool.

In 1834 and in competition with the C&LSNCo for the Liverpool trade, a second shipping company was formed, known as the Carlisle & Annan Steam Navigation Company (C&ASNCo). Their ship was the new paddle steamer ‘City of Carlisle’. In response to this emerging competition, the C&LSNCo introduced a new paddle steamer ‘Newcastle’, which was reportedly faster

than the ‘City of Carlisle’. In 1836, the C&ASNCo changed its name to the grander Carlisle, Annan & Liverpool Steam Navigation Company (CA&LSNCo), bringing into service their latest paddle steamer ‘Royal Victoria’. Competition for business on this lucrative route was fierce! In 1837, the C&LSNCo paddle steamers ‘Solway’ and ‘Cumberland’ were transferred to a new service, opened up between Port Carlisle and the Irish ports of



Shipping Agents press advertisements


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THE CARLISLE and LIVERPOOL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PAC-
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15, Monday, 4 Do
20, Saturday, 9 Evening

Dublin and Belfast, leaving their vessel ‘Newcastle’ to compete on the Liverpool service with the ‘City of Carlisle’ and ‘Royal Victoria’, both of the CA&LSNCo. To bring the size of all these afore mentioned ships into perspective, they were all in the region of 150’ in length (approximately 46 metres), which is slightly smaller than the ‘Ben Maye’ or ‘Ben Ellan’ – both very small coasting ships of more recent times that traded to Silloth! The paddle steamers offered, for those who could afford it, a small number of cabins with steward service. Others settled down on deck, sheltering where they could for the sea journey of 115 nautical miles, which in good weather took roughly twelve hours. Refreshments “of all kinds” were available to the passengers for a moderate charge. But commercially, all was not well. By the early 1850's, Port Carlisle was struggling to remain viable, due to a combination of siltation at the port and its approaches, plus competition with new railway links established and connecting Carlisle to the rest of the UK, including a line to the port of Maryport. Taking advantage of the popularity of this rail line, the cost of using the facilities at Maryport was raised, becoming excessive, so businessmen in Carlisle

began seeking a better port facility of their own, which resulted in the formation of a company that would soon built a railway to – and dock at, the coastal hamlet of Silloth, where Admiralty surveys had indicated the presence of constant and sufficiently deep water close to the shore with an easier access to the Irish Sea. The ship canal between Port Carlisle and the city closed in 1853 and by 1854, both main shipping companies, (C&LSNCo and the CA&LSNCo) had ceased their operations at Port Carlisle, despite the rail link that had been built along the course of the old canal. The two companies continued their business between Liverpool and the upper Solway, but now restricting their calls to Annan Waterfoot,

where a small tender carried passengers and freight destined for Carlisle and Cumberland, the short distance across the Solway Firth to the quay and railway link at Port Carlisle. In 1857, the newly completed pier and the soon to be completed dock at Silloth regenerated the Solway to Liverpool maritime services, details of which will feature in a future edition of ‘Waterfront’.


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Silloth Football Teams Roundup

Report by: Colin Baty

A round up of matches involving Silloth Albion Sunday Team who play in Division One of the Workington and District Sunday League which is very high standard involving eight teams.

Our first game was away to The Grapes of Workington and we had a baptism of fire losing 5-0. Won't dwell on that game any longer. Next up was at home to Ellenborough Social - last season's Division 2 Champions. As usual a fiercely competitive game ensued and Albion came out on top 3-1 with goals scored by Paul Glencross 2 and Calvin Rowell 1. Next up was at home to Yankees Bar and with a lot of changes resulted in a 5-7 defeat with goals by Kris Nicol 1 and Paul Glencross 4. Since then we haven't played anymore league games and are sixth in the league.

We also have played Hillcrest of Egremont in the County Cup in the morning - on Beer Festival weekend, so missing a few players again and we lost 4-0. If it means no more trips past Whitehaven on Sunday mornings then that's fine by me. And our last game of September was away to Bluebell of the Premier league in The Presidents Cup and after a dreadful start (a common theme) in which we were 6-0 down at half time. We won the second half 3-1, losing the game overall 7-3. All three goalscorer's getting their first goals, those being Richard Shaw, Ross Johnstone and Macauley Carr.

We have a lot of games to play and are still in two cups, I firmly believe we can stay in this very tough league. We just need a more settled team. A couple of awards to mention also, Sean Clark was named Player of the Month for August and Ross Johnstone for September. We are grateful for the match balls that were donated by our sponsors, Fairy dust Emporium, ENKEV Fibres, Robert Shaw Heating and Plumbing, Balmoral Inn and Silloth Corner Cafe, so thank you very much for your continuous support and donations.

A reminder to everyone that Training will continue throughout the Autumn and Winter. This will be on Tuesday's at Netherhall 3G, 7pm to 8pm. And Silloth Sports hall, Wednesday's 8pm to 9pm.

Also a mention to Silloth over 35 team who's season has now finished, they finished fourth in the Second Division and reached the Final of the Donaldson Cup where they played Grasslot drawing 4-4 and losing 4-3 on penalties.



Above: Silloth Albion Sunday Team - Below: Silloth Over 35's Team



A game which they dominated and should've won. No extra time was played due to darkness, otherwise it would've arguably resulted in victory.

First up in October was a League game against second placed Voodoo Bar of Workington. And in a tight hard fought game, Albion come out as 3-2 winners with goals coming from: Paul Glencross, Andrew Trestrianu and Adam Carr. Man of the Match was Stuart Johnson.

Next up was against unbeaten top of the table Senhouse Street of Workington. And in another even more incredible game Albion lost 4-5 after being 3-0 up. Learning curve experienced from everyone involved! Goalscorer's were Kris Nichol, Charlie Adam Carr, Andrew Trestrianu and Mark Glencross who was also Man of the Match.

And finally a League Cup game against Maryport Labour Club and Albion went through to the Quarter Finals with a 4-0 victory, at last a clean sheet! Goals coming from: Gareth Lewis and Ben Rowell (their first for Albion), Kris Nichol and Keiron Carr. Man of the Match was Kris Nichol.

Overall a good month with all the games being played at home. We need to get some games away from home and grow as a team even more - which are just round the corner. Player of the Month was a very, very close decision, but with his performances in training taken into account as well

as matches it goes to Oliver Carr.

Keep kicking them balls.

Report by: Mr C Gull

At the start of their 2015/16 campaign Silloth Seagulls looked to put behind them the disappointment of relegation last season and bounce back into the Cumberland County Premier League at the first time of asking. With a nice blend of youth and experience in his squad manager Liam Wilson is very optimistic about Silloth's chances of success and this has been borne out by an unbeaten start to their league campaign.

The season got underway with a tough away trip to Cleator Moor Celtic Reserves. The lads showed superb effort to battle back from one down with two great goals from Lewis Mulla and Stuart Johnson giving us a 2-1 win and all 3 points. Man of the match was veteran defender Gareth Lewis. Next up was a 9-1 thrashing of Whitehaven Miners Reserves at Eden Street. You can only beat what is in front of you but how you win is just as important and Silloth passed their opponents off the park. Flying winger Reece Blake bagged himself 4 goals with Mikey Hill 2, Kris Nichol 2 and David Bragg scoring the rest. Man of the match was Lewis 'the Bull' Mulla who ran the show from the middle of the park. Another home match followed against our perennial bogey team Borough but this time the Seagulls proved too strong

for the Workington side and ran out 6-0 winners. Lewis Mulla, Adam Carr and man of the match Reece Blake all helped themselves to a brace.

A 4-2 win at home against Hearts of Liddesdale probably sounds slightly more comfortable than it actually was. It was a tough battle for the lads in match that was more fight than football but they came out on top! Goalscorers were Reece Blake, Any Hardman, Kris Nichol and Mikey Hill who was also a very deserved man of the match. Next up was a tough match at arch rivals Mirehouse. Ryan Hanley put Silloth ahead but after conceding 2 goals it looked like our unbeaten run was over until midfield warhorse Robbie Carter turned his man on the edge of the box and calmly slotted home a 90th minute equaliser, nutmegging the keeper! It wasn't the greatest display of football from the Seagulls but the squad showed the determination to battle right to the final whistle and got their just reward. Man of the match was Robbie Carter.

Another tough away fixture was negotiated by Silloth with a 6-2 victory at Whitehaven Amateurs Reserves thanks in no small part to an excellent second half display where we scored four unanswered goals. Adam Carr, Kris Nichol and man of the match Kieran Little (the Rocket) got two goals apiece. The Seagulls last league fixture of September was a trip to Bransty Rangers and a superb 5-1 win left Silloth unbeaten and topping the Division One table with

Tide Tables

DECEMBER 2015										SILLOTH
Date		DEPTH ON NEW DOCK GAUGE								
		High Water				Low Water				
		Morning		Afternoon		Morning		Afternoon		
	Time	m	Time	m	Time	m	Time	m		
1	TU	02 55	6.4	15 13	6.5	09 46	-0.0	22 27	-0.0	
2	W	03 43	6.0	16 06	6.0	10 28	0.3	23 16	0.2	
3	TH	04 40	5.5	17 07	5.6	11 19	0.6			
4	F	05 45	5.2	18 16	5.4	00 14	0.5	12 22	0.8	
5	SA	06 57	5.1	19 24	5.4	01 18	0.5	13 33	0.8	
6	SU	08 03	5.3	20 25	5.6	02 20	0.4	14 36	0.6	
7	M	08 56	5.7	21 16	6.0	03 14	0.2	15 32	0.4	
8	TU	09 41	6.2	21 58	6.3	04 02	-0.0	16 19	0.1	
9	W	10 19	6.5	22 36	6.5	04 45	-0.3	17 02	-0.2	
10	TH	10 54	6.8	23 11	6.7	05 25	-0.4	17 44	-0.4	
11	F	11 29	7.1	23 47	7.0	06 05	-0.5	18 25	-0.5	
12	SA			12 03	7.3	06 45	-0.6	19 06	-0.7	
13	SU	00 21	7.0	12 39	7.3	07 24	-0.7	19 47	-0.7	
14	M	01 01	7.1	13 19	7.3	08 02	-0.6	20 28	-0.7	
15	TU	01 43	7.0	14 02	7.2	08 43	-0.5	21 09	-0.5	
16	W	02 27	6.7	14 49	7.0	09 24	-0.3	21 52	-0.4	
17	TH	03 17	6.5	15 42	6.7	10 08	-0.1	22 41	-0.3	
18	F	04 14	6.2	16 44	6.4	11 01	-0.0	23 38	-0.1	
19	SA	05 21	6.0	17 52	6.3			12 03	0.2	
20	SU	06 35	5.8	19 03	6.3	00 44	-0.0	13 14	0.2	
21	M	07 46	6.1	20 12	6.5	01 56	-0.1	14 26	-0.0	
22	TU	08 51	6.4	21 13	6.8	03 05	-0.3	15 38	-0.3	
23	W	09 47	6.8	22 08	7.1	04 09	-0.5	16 40	-0.5	
24	TH	10 36	7.2	22 58	7.3	05 07	-0.7	17 38	-0.8	
25	F	11 22	7.4	23 45	7.4	05 58	-0.8	18 30	-0.9	
26	SA			12 05	7.5	06 46	-0.8	19 18	-1.0	
27	SU	00 27	7.4	12 46	7.5	07 30	-0.8	20 02	-1.0	
28	M	01 10	7.2	13 28	7.4	08 10	-0.7	20 44	-0.8	
29	TU	01 51	7.0	14 06	7.1	08 47	-0.5	21 21	-0.5	
30	W	02 30	6.6	14 45	6.7	09 21	-0.2	21 56	-0.3	
31	TH	03 10	6.3	15 28	6.3	09 54	0.1	22 32	-0.0	

Tide Tables supplied by ABP Port of Silloth
Times shown in UTC. Add 1 hour for British Summer Time.



19 points from 7 games. The goals were scored by Kieran Little 2, Andrew Trestianu, Robbie Carter and Ryan Hanley with centre-half Dan Foster picking up the man of match honours.

Silloth also saw some early season cup action knocking Premier League side Windscale out of the Conway Cup 3-2 where we played some excellent football and showed great spirit to battle back from one down and 2-2 to claim the victory. Goalscorers were Andrew Trestianu, Dan Foster and man of the match Reece Blake. The Seagulls also progressed in the Benevolent Cup thanks to an impressive 6-2 home victory over Whitehaven Amateurs Reserves in which striker Adam Carr helped himself to 4 goals. Ryan Hanley and Kris Nichol added the other two with the centre-half 'enforcer' Stuart Johnson picking up the man of the match award. Passage to the third round of the County Cup was made easier thanks to a bye as Braithwaite were



Robbie Carter
Silloth Seagulls
Player of the Month

unable to field a side.

Winner of the inaugural player of the month award was Robbie Carter with the efforts of the experienced midfielder being the rock solid foundation on which Silloth's superb results have been built. It has been an amazing start to the season for Silloth due in no small part to the commitment and dedication shown by the entire squad of players. The Seagulls will now look to kick on in the coming months as they go on the hunt for silverware and their main target the Cumberland County League Division One title.

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Silloth Tigers Roundup

Report by: Joe Kirkup

Silloth get back to winning ways after a tough October month!

After six defeats in a row and losing to both Aspatria and Wigton in local derby matches it was a delight when the Tigers got back to winning ways after a comfortable win over Whitehaven.

The month started with an away fixture to Fleetwood who were currently sitting second in the league. The Tigers knew this was going to be a tough encounter on the sea front, travelling with a strong 15 and a bench the team took the field with confidence high. Silloth took the lead with a penalty kick slotted over from the half way line by debutant Ricky Holt, putting the scores to 3-0, unfortunately for Silloth they were the only points they scored and when the final whistle blew, the score was a devastating 69-3.

Next match took the Tigers back down the M6 to face an experienced De La Salle side with the grand final atmosphere in the air. Again Silloth couldn't seem to get going and with John Dollochin with a bulldog approach to chasing a ball down it saw him be the only scorer for Silloth, the score finished 36-7. Man of the match was given to a young Tommy Dixon who put in an outstanding performance at second row and hopefully many more performances like this will see him become a regular name on the team sheet.

Aspatria at home and with a hard week of training for the Tigers took them into kick off with expectations



and tensions high. Within 14 minutes we had Silloth down to 14 men with Joe Kirkup being shown the red card for a dispute between him and the Aspatria winger, with him being shown a yellow for his actions. The final score was 29-3 and Steven Stoddart kicked the penalty. The one man overlap for the Black Reds proved too much for the Tigers.

Away to Wigton and hoping to bring some pride back to Silloth with a strong squad. The game set off a tough encounter for both, but as the game progressed Silloth never seemed to be fighting for the win and the Wigton fly half was kicking penalty's from anywhere within the half. Mid-way through the second half Ricky Sutcliffe bust a number of tackles to score and Steven Stoddart added the extras. These been the only scores for Silloth on the day which sadly

was becoming all too familiar to the side. With Whitehaven in good form from their last couple of fixture's, yet still sitting below Silloth in the league, the Tigers knew it was a must win game on the Jim Brough park. A heartfelt team talk from director of rugby Mark Orchard in the changing rooms saw Silloth head the field ready for battle. Two yellow cards for the visitors saw Silloth use it to there advantage and Craig Foster and Jamie Baxter were both scorers from the first half and Silloth lead 14-0 at the break and Stoddart being successful with both conversions. Second half was under way and not long into the half captain Jonathen Burnyeat was next on the score sheet with Stoddart missing the conversion! John Dollochin and Luke Johnson also scoring for the Tigers saw the final score line finish at 38-14.

Abbeytown Girls Football



Abbeytown Girls under12 A and B teams with Captains Abigail Mossop and Cassie Donald

Report by: Haley Mossop

Abbeytown Junior Girls U12's football team's started their 2015/2016 league campaign with an opening game on their new home pitch.

The pitch was officially opened on 24th May this year and has predominantly been used by the boys teams but on this occasion, ponytails and pink football boots took centre stage. This year has seen the U12 girls section swell in numbers and be able to field two teams. Both teams were sporting brand new stripes, kindly sponsored and donated by Lisa Hodgson from The Stockman, Wigton and R.J Harrison Family Butchers from Wigton.

Despite the girls training together on a Wednesday night, they displayed tremendous competitive spirit and approached the game with determination, showing outstanding football skills. The game was watched by families and even local residents, who were impressed with the girls competitive spirit.

The opening goal was scored by Lucy Carr (A Team), followed by goals from Abbie Heaton and Carly Walsh. Before half time, Anna Todd scored for B Team. The final score was 8-1, Abbeytown A winners.



New players are welcome, training is at Abbeytown Sports ground on Wednesdays 6pm - 7pm.



Abbeytown Girls under14 team with their new strip sponsored by Steven Williamson Fencing. There are still two vacancies on the squad

Tennis Coaching

Silloth Tennis Club have moved their Tuesday coaching sessions indoors with new Coach Rob Jefferson. Rob is a local lad from the Abbeytown, (he came through the junior coaching programme) and also takes PE lessons at Silloth Primary School.

Due to various factors we have reduced our winter programme to one group for

ages 7 to 11 from 5:30pm to 6:30pm with a second group of Multi Sports from 6:30pm to 7:30pm, aimed at people of Secondary School age and older. This session is a mix of Sports, Cardio Tennis and fitness and only costs £1 per session. The earlier Tennis session costs £3 per week.

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Emily Goes to the USA



Emily with her new team mates in Wichita, Kansas

Silloth Tennis Club's Emily Wise has secured a Scholarship at Newman University in Wichita, Kansas.

After months of planning, waiting nervously for exam results, Skyping US coaches and finally signing on the dotted line she flew out to Kansas in August and has since been settling in with her team by training six days a week and taking part in competitive play in places such as Oklahoma City, Dallas and San Antonio whilst also studying for a degree.

With a team made up of girls from Holland, Venezuela, Ukraine and the US Emily will be playing Division 2 Collegiate Tennis throughout the states of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas for the next four years.



Tag-Rugby Tournament



The finalists: Silloth Primary School (South Africa) v Richmond Hill Primary School (Italy)

Report by: Andrew Brooks
Photo by: Jimmy Lettice

On Tuesday 13th October Silloth Rugby Club hosted the first ever (as far as I know) World Cup themed tag tournament. Andrew Brooks, Assistant Head teacher at Silloth Primary School, organised the free event to coincide with this year's Rugby World Cup.

Following the same format as the World Cup, twenty teams took part, each being given a country from the competition. Squads of ten children (boys and girls) meant that two hundred children took an active part in this rugby tournament.

The teams were put into four 'Pools' with each team playing four 'Pool' or group games. The top two teams from each Pool then went on to compete in the quarter-

finals.

The semi-finals saw Silloth Primary School (S. Africa) take on Fairfield Primary School (Tonga) and Richmond Hill Primary School (Italy) up against Beckstone Primary School (Wales). Both games were high tempo, high scoring, with a lot of fantastic skill on show. However, it was Silloth Primary and Richmond Hill who progressed to the Final of the tournament.

A very close first half with end to end rugby allowed for an enthralling second period, full of excitement and cheered on by the many that had stayed to watch. Eventually, Richmond Hill took control of the game and ran out deserved victors in this the first (and hopefully not

the last) RWC themed tag tournament.

It's fair to say that the whole day was a huge success. I would like to thank Trevor Richardson of the Cumbria RFU for his support and for training the referees; the Year 10 Sports Leaders from Solway Community Technology College for officiating all forty seven matches; Jimmy Lettice and Silloth Rugby Club for hosting the event and for providing food for both the children and adults along with medals for the finalists and a winner's trophy; Cumbria Community Foundation for funding the event and of course to all the children and members of staff for supporting the tournament, making it a great day for Cumbrian rugby.

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