Kirkandrews- on- Eden WI June and July meetings.

On a lovely summer June evening members and guests went on their summer outing to Home Cultram Abbey. Following a lovely meal with delicious desserts we were given a guided tour of the Abbey. Founded by Cistercian monks from Melrose Abbey in 1150 the Abbey prospered until 1538 when the monastic community was dissolved and the Abbey became the parish church. On the 9th June 2006 the church was catastrophically damaged by arson. We admired the repairs which had been done and had access to the re-opened balcony and could look down into the church. We also had time to look round the exhibition. Margaret Parkinson thanked the ladies who had prepared and served our meal and Kathleen Bowron thanked our guide.

President Margaret McKenna welcomed members, two trustees and guests from Lazonby, Cumdivock, Raughtonhead and Drumburgh and Glasson WI’s to our Summer Social event. Following a supper of cold meat, quiches and salads and a choice of puddings we enjoyed a display of flower arrangements by Eve. These varied and colourful displays were traditional and contemporary and accompanied by Eve’s amusing chatter and anecdotes. Eve was thanked by Margaret and we were very grateful that Harold and Alan washed the dishes. A true or false quiz prepared by Jean ended the evening.

The competition for a single rose was won by Kathleen Bowron with Alice Graham second. The guest winners were first Joyce Stanton (Cumdivock) and second Veronica Priest (Lazonby). Several prizes were won in the drawing.

The next meeting is on Friday 11th August in Beaumont Parish Hall. All welcome.