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Seabank Blaze – Two Charged

Seabank residents had a narrow escape in the early hours of Tuesday, 1 Feb, following a suspected arson attack on a vehicle parked by the flats. They were alerted by an explosion and awoke to see flames soaring past their windows. The flames were eventually extinguished and most residents were able to return to their homes. Two males from County Durham, aged 16 and 18, have been charged with a number of offences in connection with the incident.



Dog Poo on our New Pavements



We are all very pleased with our new pavements but there are already complaints about the amount of dog poo on them. Usually our visitors get the blame for this but it appears this is not the whole story. Reports have been received about residents who routinely walk their dog off the lead on our roads and are oblivious to what mess their pets are leaving behind them. It is an offence for any dog not to be under control on the street and an even more serious offence not to clean up after it. The Parish Council will now ask the Dog

Wardens to make random visits to the village and prosecute any offenders they can, so let us hope this nuisance and potential health risk stops.

We could always resort to a Name and Shame board if it doesn't!

Street Trading in Alnmouth

Last autumn NCC asked for views on their proposals for licensing street traders such as ice-cream vans. No details of the results of this ever came back to the Parish Council, but it appears that the new scheme, which will require traders to apply for permission to trade in specified locations, is due for approval by NCC in April. After a couple of months publicising the new arrangements a committee will start processing the applications. The proposal to designate individual streets where no trading would be allowed was rejected, but we are told local conditions and local opinion will be taken into account when considering an application. It is very clear that any change to the existing arrangements is most unlikely before the end of the summer.

Police Community Forum – Have your say!

Please come along to the next Police Community Forum and have your say on how Alnmouth is policed.

Monday, 7 March at 6.15 pm in the Hindmarsh Hall

Organisations and Activities

Alnmouth Parish Council

Meets on the 2nd Monday in HH.

St John the Baptist Church

Services 9.15am. (Fourth Sunday at 10am.)
(Isabel Chalmers 830362)

Alnmouth Women's Institute

Meets on the 1st Monday (Pam Muggleton 830315)
www.alnmouthwi.co.uk

Alnmouth Autumn Club

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday (Alistair Sinton 830784 or Audrey McKane 830809)

Alnmouth Camera Group

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday (Barbara Aitchison 830107)

Alnmouth Local History Group

(Fred Bettess 830638)

Alnmouth Village Golf Club

Full and Social Membership available. (Clubhouse 830370)

Brownies

Meets Tuesdays in HH. (Sue Jackson 830142)

Yoga and Yoga Bugs

(Claire Lang 581434)

Chapel Art Group

Every Thurs morning in the Old Methodist Chapel

Alnmouth Youth Club

Meets Fridays from 5 - 7pm in the Old Methodist Chapel. Ages 8 - 12.

River Aln Boat Club

(George Ternent 830444)

Alnmouth Football Club

www.alnmouthfc.com

NEW

Exercise, Movement & Dance for 50+

Wednesdays 9.30-10.30am in HH. (Emma Dunn 833780)

To hire the Hindmarsh Hall contact Jean Cullen (830501)

Senior Citizens out to Lunch



Over 60 of our over 65s enjoyed their annual Luncheon in the Hindmarsh Hall on 30 January. Very many thanks to all those who helped with either their hard work on the day or with the many generous donations towards the lunch and the raffle.

Hall of Fame



When the Newsletter went to print the performances of "Hall of Fame" had not yet taken place. But having seen the Dress Rehearsal, it was clear that the audiences were in for a treat! Ed.

What generous people you are.....

In the Dec 2010 issue we reported on the substantial amounts of money raised in the village during the year for a variety of causes - **£11,847**.

Well, you're at it again!

The Dog Walkers' Dinner in the Sun Inn raised £333, and the Coffee Morning at the Alnmouth Village Golf Club raised over £900. A very big Thank You to all concerned.

The total we've reported so far this year stands at **£1,516**.

Can you beat 2010?

Question Time!

A distinguished panel has been assembled to answer those questions you've always wanted to ask!

Where?

The Hindmarsh Hall.

When?

Friday, 18 March at 7.30pm

How Much?

£5 to include wine & canapés. Tickets at the Gift Shop, Grocers, Hairdressers and the Post Office.

The Questions? Should be submitted to Joan Davidson (830893) or Pam Muggleton (830315).

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(All events in HH unless otherwise stated.)

Barn Dance

Tuesdays, 1, 15 and 29 March 7.30pm.
Entry £2 to include refreshments.

White Gardenias

Sat, 5 March at 7.30 for 8pm.

Police Community Forum

Mon, 7 March at 6.15pm.

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 7 March at 7pm.
"Hats" with Mary Pinder.

Alnmouth Autumn Club

Tues, 8 March at 2.30pm.
"The Alnwick Freeman and the Duke" with C S Pettit.

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 8 March at 7pm in the Hope & Anchor. Theme, "Mechanical"

Local History Group Meeting

Thurs, 10 March at 2pm.

Christmas Lights Quiz Night

Fri, 11 March at 7pm.
Teams of 6 @£3 per person.

Palace of Varieties Night

"Good C **Sold Out** Music Hall. Sat, 12 March at 7.30pm in the Schooner Hotel.

Aln Valley Railway Soc

Thurs, 17 March at 7pm for 7.30pm, Alnwick Station.
"Mainly 60s" with Bob Payne.

Question Time

Fri, 18 March at 7.30pm. (see this page for details)

Complimentary Coffee Morning

Sat, 19 March from 10 til noon in the Schooner Hotel.

Bailiffgate Singers

Fri, 25 March at 7.30pm.
Tickets, £6 from Alnmouth Post Office.

Western Front Association

Mon, 28 March at 7.30 for 8pm in Alnmouth Ex-Servicemen's Club. "Sgt Taylor with the Fusiliers in France" with Arthur Meakin

Promote your event here - it's free!!