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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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Wellfield Barriers Gone!

After nearly two years, although it seems longer, the unsightly barriers which have greeted visitors to the village and which have featured in several issues of the Newsletter have finally been removed. The footpath has also been repaired and resurfaced. It's good to have it back!



Arts Festival Poster Competition

Readers of the Northumberland Gazette will have noted that the Arts Festival Committee has teamed up with the newspaper to run a competition to find the poster image for the 2012 Arts Festival.

The competition is open to individuals aged 16 or over and to groups using any medium - multiple entries are welcome. For further details and an entry form, go to the website at:

www.alnmouthartsfestival.com

Note the closing date is 27 October

AVGC Volcano Night



The Winning Team

The recent volcano night was a great success with 25 teams taking part and more than £400 being raised for the Golf Club funds. Most teams followed the rules and used timber which was free from nails.

The lady members, with the assistance of a few of the men, did a fantastic job tidying up the beach the next morning.

Win the chance to switch on the Christmas Lights

This year a competition is being held to select who will switch on this year's Christmas Lights at 4.30pm on Saturday, 26 November

To enter the competition, you must be aged 12 years or younger, and say in 25 words or fewer why you would like to switch on the lights. Entries, which should include the name of the entrant and an adult contact name, address and telephone number, should be placed in the special competition box in the Alnmouth Post Office.

Note the closing date is 15 November

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 (Terry Collinson 830228)

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

Exercise, Movement & Dance for 50+

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

To hire the Hindmarsh Hall contact Jean Cullen (830501)

Annual Church Fete

The Church Fete took place on August Bank Holiday Monday with a large turnout of villagers and visitors. The fete was opened by Val McDermid, our own Alnmouth based celebrity. As part of the opening, Val presented Dorothea Sinton with a certificate in recognition



of her having sold in excess of 500 raffle tickets – a record even by Dorothea's standards! A new feature this year was to have the Alnmouth Playhouse Band who provided a party atmosphere for the whole event.

Helpers for stalls games and teas were kept busy all afternoon with more than 500 people passing through the gates. The Organising Committee would like to thank all those involved – Val for opening the event, those who contributed items for sale and for the raffle, the team who erected the marquee, those organisations who loaned and helped move furniture and all who helped on all the stalls and games, and finally to all who attended.

Over £3,000 was raised for Church Funds – a great result.

John Galbraith

History Group Coffee Morning

Sat, 22 Oct from 10am to noon in HH

Read what visitors to Alnmouth wrote when they sent their postcards home 100 years ago. What did the newspapers of the time say about who was staying in the village? What is the earliest known image of Alnmouth? Come along and find out, and there may be more.....!

Variety Shows in Hindmarsh Hall

Last month's meeting which was looking for people to help with future Variety Shows was poorly attended.

There will be a second opportunity for volunteers to make themselves known at a meeting in the HH on Friday, 7 Oct at 7.30pm.

They're your shows – if you want them to continue, they need your support.

Police Community Forum Meeting

September's meeting was brought up to date about recent crime in Alnmouth. There had been only one "crime of note" since 1 May when jewellery had been stolen from a house in the village.

A week long speed survey organised by the Parish Council on Shepherd's Hill revealed that while no vehicle had exceeded 50mph, a quarter of them had been travelling between 35 and 45mph.

The "Beach Respect" initiative which the police had instigated to stamp out anti-social behaviour on our beaches was said to be working with few incidents reported.

Alnmouth Post Office–Shop Opening Times

Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri from 8am - 1pm and 2pm - 5pm
Wed from 8am - 1pm. Sat and Sun from 8am - 3pm

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(In HH unless otherwise stated)

Alnmouth Village Golf Club

Sat, 1 Oct, Northumbrian Night, incl Avril Huntley
Sat, 8 Oct, Race Night
Sat, 15 Oct, "Old Alnmouth" Slide Show, Adrian Ions

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 3 Oct at 7pm.
"Poetry with a Paunch".

Barn Dances

Tuesdays, 4 and 18 Oct at 7.30pm.

Hindmarsh Hall

Variety Shows
2nd Meeting, Fri, 7 Oct at 7.30pm.

Beer Festival

7, 8 and 9 Oct at Red Lion.
In aid of Aniridia Research

Autumn Club

Tues, 11 Oct at 2.30pm.
"The Aln Valley Railway" with Roger Jermy.

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 11 Oct at 7pm in the Hope & Anchor. Theme "Woodland"

Aln Valley Railway Soc

Thurs, 20 Oct at 7pm for 7.30pm in Old Waiting Room, Alnmouth Station.
"SENTRUG" with Dennis Fancett

Alnmouth Local History Group

Coffee Morning, Sat 22 Oct from 10am - noon

Western Front Association

Mon, 24 Oct at 7.30 for 8pm in Alnmouth Ex-Servicemen's Club.
"Disaster at Hooge,"

Looking Ahead

Murder Mystery at the Hindmarsh Hall

Fri, 11 Oct 7.30pm

Christmas Lights Switch-On

Sat, 26 Nov at 4.30pm

White Gardenias

Fund raising event for the Church, Sat, 26 Nov at 7.30pm – more details next month