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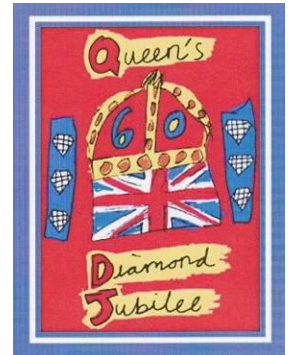
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Diamond Jubilee and Arts Festival A Special Month for Alnmouth

June promises to be a memorable month for Alnmouth.

There are celebrations and free events to mark the Diamond Jubilee on Monday, the 4th, and the 8th Annual Arts Festival takes place on Saturday and Sunday, the 23rd & 24th.

The Diamond Jubilee celebrations kick-off at 2pm with a "Party in the Park" which includes Children's fancy dress, painting, egg & spoon races and more. The ladies have a Jubilee hat competition and there is a Tug of War competition for the men. The ladies of the WI are providing tea from 2.30-4.30pm. In the evening bring your own food for a barbeque and enjoy drinks from the bar with live entertainment from 8pm until "late".



Thanks to art and design work by Helen Holden, George Ternent and Judi Hill, Alnmouth now has its very own special commemorative Jubilee mug. They are made of fine bone china and have the official Jubilee motif printed on the reverse side. The Parish Council and the Burgage Holders will present one to every young person of school age and below in the parish as a souvenir of the event, but the remainder will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis at the very reasonable price of £6 each.

They are sure to become a coveted collectors' item, so order yours early from: Bill Bourne, The Heugh, Bridge End, Alnmouth. Strictly cash with order, £6 per mug, and cheques should be made out to "Alnmouth Parish Council".

Roger Clark Retires



After 12 years as Clerk to Alnmouth Parish Council, Roger has decided to hang up his quill pen and ledger. He started in the role very shortly after coming to live in Alnmouth when he retired from the day job and has served through the reigns of at least three Council Chairs, developing an understanding and experience which will be greatly missed and hard to replace. His quirky sense of humour and knowledge of "who does what and how" in NCC and the former Alnmouth District Council certainly helped novices to the game like the current PC Chair find their feet.

Alnmouth's Councillors are sure the whole village will want to join them in thanking Roger for his service to the Council and give him every good wish for a speedy return to full health.

The Council will be seeking to replace Roger as soon as possible and anyone interested in the post of Parish Clerk should contact the Chair for further details.

Robbery in the Alnmouth Country Store

Sneak thieves stole cash from the Alnmouth Country Store on Sunday, 20 May, while staff were busy serving customers. A couple of other incidents involving men behaving suspiciously in the village were also reported that week and Northumbria Police say there have been other crimes recently suggesting a team is targeting retail businesses which do not have video camera surveillance. Residents are advised to be extra vigilant about security and to report anything suspicious to the police.

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 (Haley Hackett 833711)
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)

Alnmouth's Secrets Revealed



A large number of visitors and local people took advantage of Sunday's glorious weather to enjoy exploring twenty of Alnmouth's secret gardens. The event, organised by Shian Hartshorn (pictured in her secret garden), with the generous support and hard work and skill of the gardens' owners, raised funds to restore the village War Memorial. We'll tell you next month exactly how much .

Library Van - New Timetable

Villagers may not be aware that the times the Library Van comes to Alnmouth have been changed. The Van now comes on alternate Fridays from 10.40-11.40am and can be found outside the Hindmarsh Hall. It will be there on Friday, 8 and 22 June and so on. Remember you can order books and borrow videos, audio tapes and CDs for free.

1000 Holes in one day!

Richie Campbell and 9 other golfers are aiming to complete 1000 holes in a single day - and it's all being done to raise awareness and funds for Diamond-Blackfan anaemia. Richie's seven month old daughter, Evie, suffers from this extremely rare condition which means that she has to undergo blood transfusions every five weeks. The golfers are teeing off at 4 am (yes 4am!) and would welcome your support throughout the day. Evie's mum, Rebecca Hole, is holding a **Coffee Morning** on the same day in the **Golf Club** starting at **10am**.

Please come along and give Evie your support.

Vacancy- Parish Council

Following the resignation of Judi Hill which was reported in Issue 28, there is now a vacancy on the Parish Council. Anyone who is interested in serving on the Council is asked to contact Bill Bourne (830530) for further information.

Wanted Newspaper Boys and Girls! (No upper age limit)

More than 300 Newsletters are delivered around the village each month by 3 people. They would welcome more volunteers who could regularly deliver down their own or adjacent streets. If you can spare half an hour every month to pop a couple of dozen or so through letter boxes please contact the Newsletter or Bill Bourne (830530).

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

St John's Church

Flower Festival, Diamond Jubilee Weekend.

Jubilee Celebrations

Monday, 4 June from 2pm Peases Park.

Alnmouth Local History Group Meeting

Thurs, 7 June at 2pm

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 11 Jun at 7pm.
Summer Lunches with Gertrude Jones.

Autumn Club

Tues, 12 June - Summer Outing

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 12 June at 7pm in the Hope & Anchor.

Alnmouth Arts Festival

Sat-Sun, 23 and 24 June from 10am until 5pm.
Village Preview Evening, Friday, 22 June from 6-8pm.

Western Front Association

Mon, 25 June at 7.30 for 8pm in Alnmouth Ex-Servicemen's Club. "Butte de Warlencourt, Nov 1916" with Peter Hart, Imperial War Museum

Coffee Morning and Marathon Golf Challenge - AVGC

Sat, 7 July 10am and 4am. This page for more details.

Fun Quiz in aid of Alexa's Dog Rescue

Fri, 13 July at 8pm. Teams of up to 6 people, tickets £5. BYO wine, glasses and snacks. (Carolyn 830261)

Promote your event here - it's free!

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