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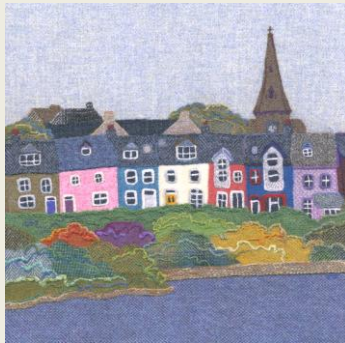
War Memorial - Progress

Good news - we are now eligible to apply for a grant to help with the restoration of our War Memorial, but unfortunately the applications will not be processed until next March, so the project will be a bit delayed. More good news is that the ugly clutter of signs on the Memorial roundabout will be relocated by NCC Highways, but not at their expense. The AONB Partnership have long held up these signs as an example of bad practice and have agreed to help finance their removal as part of their restoration,



sharing the £1360.80 cost with the Parish Council. The War Memorial actually includes the whole roundabout, not just the monument itself, and objections have been made to the railings being used to display advertising banners. The PC accepts that using the railings for banners is inappropriate, so is in discussion with the Friary to find an alternative position. An uncluttered roundabout will happen soon, but we will have to wait a little longer for the monument itself to be refurbished.

Arts Festival Poster Competition Winner Announced



The judges had another difficult task in selecting the winning image to be used for the 2013 Arts Festival publicity material. After much deliberation their decision was unanimous and the picture of Lovaine Terrace produced in textiles by Jane Jackson from Rock Village was finally chosen. Congratulations, Jane, and many thanks to all those who submitted some excellent entries. *Exhibitor Application Forms for artists wishing to take part in the 2013 Festival will be posted on the website in early November. Go to: www.alnmouthartsfestival.com*

Council Elections - May 2013

Alnmouth has a well-justified reputation for being an active and lively community, and needs and deserves an active and lively Parish Council. Being a Parish Councillor involves more than coming to a meeting once a month and we need representatives who want to help their community in a real hands-on way so, over the next few months, the Newsletter will give more details of the work of the Parish Council and what being a Councillor involves. Any by-election costs the PC hundreds of pounds, which is why the preferred option is to co-opt councillors in between main elections, but the elections next May will be paid for by NCC, so the aim will be to encourage as wide a range of candidates as possible to come forward giving you a real choice.

Puglia comes to Alnmouth

Jo and Oliver Driscoll may live in Alnmouth, but they produce delicious organic olive oil on their farm in Italy. They are selling their oil at £30 for a 5 litre can, with all profits going to Hipsburn First School and Lesbury Preschool. Anyone interested should contact them at info@vallecoppa.com or Cat in the Post Office.

Mobile Library - Alnmouth Dates and Times

Fridays, 9 and 23 Nov from 10.40 to 11.40am outside 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 (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

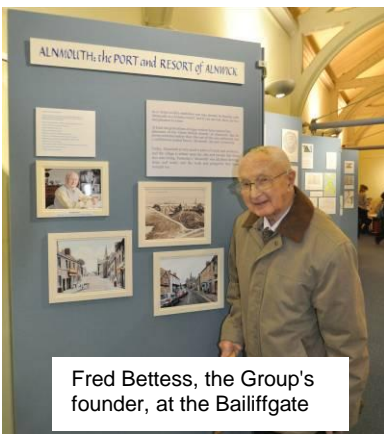
www.alnmouthfc.com

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 - The Port & Resort of Alnmouth"



Fred Bettess, the Group's founder, at the Bailiffgate

The Local History Group's recent exhibition at the Bailiffgate Museum proved to be very popular during its recent four week run.

Some of the exhibits will be on display at the **Group's Coffee Morning in the Hindmarsh Hall on Sat, 3 Nov from 10am until noon.**

Service of Remembrance

St John the Baptist Church

Sun, 11 Nov at 9.15am

The annual service will be led by Revd. Ian MacKarill who will also take the service at the War Memorial at 11am. Anyone planning to attend only the 11am service is invited for coffee and biscuits in the Church at 10.15am.

Lest We Forget

Bonfire Night

Mon, 5 Nov

Soup and Hot Dogs on sale from 5.30pm.
Bonfire lit at 6pm.
Proceeds to Hipsburn School

River Aln Boat Club Coffee Morning

Sat, 10 Nov from 10am until noon in HH.

Proceeds to Amble Lifeboat

"Sheep Tales and Spinning Yarns"

Sat, 24 Nov from 10am to 4pm in HH - Free Entry

See this much acclaimed exhibition about the history of sheep and shepherding in North Northumberland.

Watch demonstrations by weavers, spinners, knitters, felters, dyers, rug makers and more.....with lots of items for sale! A chance for some Christmas Shopping

Macmillan Coffee Morning

The recent Macmillan Coffee Morning was attended by 153 people, raising £1,426. This brings the total sum since the first event in 1996 to nearly £13,500.

Many congratulations and thanks to everyone concerned.

And there's more

Our story about the Macmillan Coffee Morning is only one of the recent events which have raised considerable sums for various bodies. We are delighted to report the following:

- August's Raft Race organised by the Sun Inn raised **£1,025** for the Amble Lifeboat.
- The Red Lion's Beer Festival raised **£4,780**, to be shared equally between Help for Heroes and Diamond Blackfan Anaemia.
- The Coffee Morning at the Ex-Servicemen's Club raised **£245.50** for the Royal British Legion.

Again, many thanks to all those individuals and businesses who contributed to their success.

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

Alnmouth Local History Group

Coffee Morning, Sat, 3 Nov from 10am until noon.

Bonfire Night

Mon, 5 Nov from 5.30pm.
Bonfire lit at 6pm.

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 5 Nov at 7pm.
Members Night.

River Aln Boat Club Coffee Morning

in aid of Amble Lifeboat.
Sat, 10 Nov, 10am - noon.

Service of Remembrance

St John the Baptist Church, Sun, 11 Nov at 9.15am, then at War Memorial at 11am

Barn Dances

Tues, 13 and 27 Nov at 7.30pm.

Alnmouth Autumn Club AGM

Tues, 13 Nov at **2pm**, followed by: "Molly's Monks", a history of the friary with Roy Todd.

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 13 Nov at 7pm in the Hope & Anchor. "Black & White Photography".

Aln Valley Railway

Thurs, 15 Nov at 7 for 7.30pm at Alnmouth Station, "Chapel-en-le Frith, Soham and three George Crosses" with John Irving.

"Sheep Tales and Spinning Yarns"

exhibition, demos and craft sales, Sat, 24 Nov from 10am - 4pm.

Western Front Association

Mon, 26 Nov at **7.15 for 7.30pm** in Alnmouth Ex-Servicemen's Club. "Pointers to the Great War", with Derek Gladding.

St John the Baptist Church Christmas Coffee Morning

Sat, 1 Dec from 10am - noon.

Christmas Lights Switch-On

Sat, 1 Dec at 4.30pm outside the Hindmarsh Hall.