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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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Parish Council up to Strength

At its September meeting your PC co-opted Jill Brown and Mac McHugh as new Councillors to fill the two vacancies. Both are well known in Alnmouth: Jill runs a cleaning business from her home in Hipsburn, while Mac, with his wife Jane, is the landlord of the Red Lion. Welcome to them both and many thanks to them for agreeing to serve the village as Councillors.

Note: the next Parish Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, 22 October and future meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of the month.

Alnmouth War Memorial

Restoration of the War Memorial is now well under way. The damaged stonework has been removed for replacements to be made, the paving is being re-laid and NCC have at last relocated the unsightly direction signs. It will all be completed in time for the November service of commemoration. As the Memorial includes the roundabout the PC has agreed with the Royal British Legion that banners advertising village events will no longer be attached to the railings, and with kind permission of the Friary these are now displayed above the wall behind the Memorial.



The Ascent of the Church Clock



Four stalwarts of the village joined Richard Bishopp in the church clock tower on 16 September to hear something of the history and working of the clock (it was built by Gillett and Bland in 1879 so it's almost as old as the church itself) and to learn about some of the maintenance and adjustments we can make to the clock ourselves without having to call in the specialists. This is one of the photos that John Taylor took during what was agreed was a fascinating visit.

Arts Festival - Poster Competition

The Alnmouth Arts Festival Committee has teamed up again with its media partner, the Northumberland Gazette, to find the poster image for the 2014 Festival.

Full details can be found on the website at www.alnmouthartsfestival.com and the closing date is 24 Oct.

The winner's name will be announced in the Gazette and on the website on 31 Oct.

Could it be you?

Organisations and Activities

Alnmouth Parish Council

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday

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

(Adrian Osler 830112)

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)

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Irrigation System Officially Switched On



Sir John Hall was the guest of honour and performed the official switching-on ceremony of the Village Golf Club's new irrigation system.

The system was funded by a £50,000 grant from the National Lottery through its Sport England's Inspired Facilities scheme.

Church Fete - A Great Success



It's coming your way, Vicar!

The annual church fete was a great success this year. Thanks go to the local businesses and individuals who donated prizes and items for the stalls and raffle. Thanks also go to the various organisations which provided the marquee, tables and chairs without which the fete could not take place. Finally, thanks go to those who worked so hard on the day to raise approx £2,500 which will be used for the upkeep of the church.

John Galbraith

Save A Life!

See a demonstration of the defibrillator bought in memory of Stephen Carey.

Mon 7 Oct at 7.30pm

Alnmouth Ex-Servicemen's Club

Alnmouth WI

Invite you to their Harvest Tea
Wednesday, 30 Oct
2.30 - 4.30pm
in the Hindmarsh Hall

"My Granny is a PIRATE"

Musical adaptation of Val McDermid's story for under 6's
Wednesday, 9 October at 4pm in the HH
Tickets £2 per child from the PO, accompanying adults go free.

The recent **Volcano Night** raised £327 which is being split between the Amble Lifeboat and the Alnmouth Bay Community Rowing Association.

And the **Hindmarsh Hall at the Friary** day raised £661. Many thanks to Brother Jason and the other Friars for giving access to their home and the house guided tours.

STOP PRESS! The "See Hear" programme featuring the Alnmouth Arts Festival and deaf artist Sarah O'Dowd will be shown on Wed, 2 October at 10.30am on BBC Two.

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

Barn Dances

Tuesdays, 1, 15 and 29 Oct at 7.30pm

Alnmouth Local History Group

Meeting, Thurs 3 Oct at 2pm

Red Lion Beer Festival

Fri - Sun, 4 - 6 Oct.

Save a Life

Defibrillator demo Mon, 7 Oct at 7.30pm in Ex-Servicemen's Club. See this page.

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 7 Oct at 7pm.
"A Burlesque Workshop" with Kristi Lennon

Autumn Club

Tues, 8 Oct at 2.30pm
"The Trevelyans" with Andy Griffin

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 8 Oct at 7pm in the Hope & Anchor.
"Humour"

"My Granny is a PIRATE"

Musical for Children
Wed, 9 Oct at 4pm.
See this page.

"Strings and Things" Concert

Sat, 12 Oct at 7.30pm.
Tickets, £8 from Post Office

Aln Valley Railway

Thurs, 17 Oct at 7.15pm at Barter Books.
"Integration - on and off the Rails" with John Wylde.

Christmas Lights Coffee Morning

Sat, 19 Oct from 10am - noon.

Western Front Association

Mon 28 Oct at 7.30pm in Ex-Servicemen's Club.
"I'm Big Bertha" with David Easton

Alnmouth WI Harvest Tea

Wed, 30 Oct from 2.30-4.30pm.
See this page.

Promote your event here