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# The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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## All Set for 11<sup>th</sup> Arts Festival

The 11<sup>th</sup> Alnmouth Arts Festival takes place on Saturday and Sunday, 20 and 21 June featuring over 60 exhibitors in more than 20 venues around the village. The venues are open from 10am until 5pm on both days and there will also be the traditional "Preview Evening" on Friday, 19 June from 5-7pm.

## Foxton Road Attracts New Residents!



The new residents in question are a colony of Sand Martins who have moved into the embankment adjacent to the Boys Club. The birds are protected by law from the minute they start tunnelling. Following advice from an ecology expert protective measures have been introduced until the youngsters have literally "flown the nest", but this will not delay the overall build programme.

## Village Benefits from Secret Gardens Day

The wooden planters around the village are showing signs of old age and the money raised by Shian Hartshorn's highly successful Secret Gardens Day last June is being used to replace them. The first two have been installed at the War Memorial and new wooden ones are being made for the Pant by the Wynd.

Our picture shows Shian putting the finishing touches to the first of many.



## New Parish Councillor Appointed

At the recent Parish Council AGM, Ed Williams (left) was co-opted as a new councillor. Ed and his wife, Judith have lived on Northumberland Street for 17 years and have 3 daughters who all live in the area. Since recently retiring from his post in the Medical School at Newcastle University he has been able to spend more time in the village. He will be a very welcome new addition to the team.



## Organisations and Activities

### **Alnmouth Parish Council**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

### **St John the Baptist Church**

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

### **Alnmouth Methodist Church Services**

Every 4th Sunday at 10.30am  
Every 2nd Wed at 7pm.

### **Alnmouth Women's Institute**

Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday  
(Janis Crook 603430)

### **Alnmouth Autumn Club**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
(Alistair Sinton 830784)

### **Alnmouth Camera Group**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
(Terry Collinson 830228)

### **Alnmouth Local History Group**

(Adrian Osler 830112)

### **Alnmouth Village Golf Club**

Full and Social Membership available.  
(Clubhouse 830370)

### **Yoga and Yoga Bugs**

(Claire Lang 581434)

### **Chapel Art Group**

Every Thurs morning in the Old Methodist Chapel

### **Alnmouth Youthie (Rock Solid Alnmouth)**

Weekly during term-time.  
Tuesdays, 4.45-6.15pm in Old Methodist Chapel.

### **River Aln Boat Club**

(George Ternent 830444)

### **Alnmouth Football Club**

[www.alnmouthfc.com](http://www.alnmouthfc.com)

### **Exercise, Movement & Dance for 50+**

Wednesdays 9.30-10.30am in HH.  
(Emma Dunn 572771)

To hire the Hindmarsh Hall contact Jean Cullen (830501)

## Playground Fence Replaced



Part of the fence by the Children's Playground, which was damaged by the storms in December 2013, was repaired last Spring. The remainder has now been replaced by the Parish Council to match. New picnic tables are also on order, and a new item of play equipment is being chosen.

## Cabaret Night Raises £804



A packed Hindmarsh Hall enjoyed an excellent night's entertainment of the kind that only Alnmouth can provide at the recent "Cabaret" evening, and the audience was also treated to an excellent hot supper. The princely sum of £804 was raised for Hall funds.

Many thanks to all concerned.

## "Songs for Summer" - Concert

**St John's Church – Sunday, 21 June at 7pm**

A welcome return from Greece of Eleftherios Koumasidis, accompanied by Alison Rudd and Josie McDonough.  
Admission by donation. Interval Refreshments

## Homeless Fund Now Exceeds £3,500!

In previous Newsletters we have reported on events organised by Robin Winder and his family to raise money for the Salvation Army and its homeless projects. Robin and daughter Airah took part in the recent London Marathon, and despite Airah suffering a stress fracture after 19 miles, both finished the course.

Robin said, "The sum raised so far will either have fed around 3,000 for one day or accommodated up to 350 homeless people for one night in our region." He added, "Airah and I would like to thank everyone in our generous community for all the support they offered us."

## What's On

(In HH unless stated)

### **Alnmouth WI**

Mon, 1 June at 7pm.  
"Paper Making" with Dr Chris Harrison.

### **Alnmouth & Alnwick Croquet Club**

Open day on Tues, 2 June, 10am-5pm.  
At the Cricket Club.

### **Autumn Club**

Tues, 9 June at 9am.  
Annual outing – to Abbotsford.

### **Alnmouth Camera Group**

Tues, 9 June at 7pm in AVGC. The AAF.

### **Alnmouth Arts Festival**

Sat-Sun, 20 & 21 June.  
See front page.

### **"Songs for Summer"**

A Concert in St Johns.  
Sun, 21 June at 7pm.  
See this page.

### **Western Front Association**

Mon, 22 June at 7.15 for 7.30pm in the Ex-Serviceman's Club.  
"Crisis in Command" with Prof John Derry.

## Dates for your Diary

### **Volcano Night**

Sat, 18 July at 4pm.  
(More details in July issue).

### **Raft Race**

Sat, 1 August.

### **History Group Coffee Morning**

Sat, 8 August.

### **Barn Dances**

Resume on 6 Oct.

## Promote your event here!

Simply email:  
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Note: closing date for items for the July issue is  
**Wed, 24 June**