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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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Alnmouth's 14th Arts Festival



We can't believe it's that time of year again. The 14th Alnmouth Arts Festival takes place on 16 and 17 June with 72 artists and groups exhibiting, many of them new, in 20 venues including several brand new locations. All villagers are cordially invited to the Preview Evening which will take place on Friday, 15 June from 6-8pm and the

Festival will then be open from 10am until 5pm, Saturday and Sunday. There are lots of activities again this year, including an extensive children's programme and live music in Peases Park. We have two dedicated busking spots for all those budding performers out there. Come along during festival opening times and show off your musical skills. Let's hope the sun shines like last year and we can look forward to welcoming a record number of visitors to the Festival.

The Arts Festival Committee

Arriva is at it again!



On Sunday, 6 May, Arriva changed the X18 timetable reducing the number of buses coming into the centre of Alnmouth from every hour to every two hours with none in the evenings or on Sundays. They did not place new printed time-tables at the bus stops until several days afterwards. This meant that people were waiting at the stop by the Schooner Hotel for a bus that was never going to come. According to the Northumberland Gazette, Arriva's punctuality data shows that buses are often delayed in Alnmouth due to traffic congestion. In the evenings? Surely not, and wasn't the new one way system going to solve all that? Now drivers have to execute a tricky manoeuvre around the War Memorial. First there were fewer buses to the railway station, now there are fewer in the centre of the village – what next? *Ed.*

Changes at the Parish Council

Three Councillors have recently stepped down and the Parish Council would like to thank Harvey Roberts, Sarah Murphy and Jill Bourne for their hard work. The previous Chair, Neil Gale has relinquished that role and Shaun Whyte has been appointed in his place.

There are now three vacancies on the Council and details are on the website at: www.alnmouthparishcouncil.org.uk and the noticeboard. Should there be no calls for an election, the Parish Council will seek to co-opt to fill the vacancies and will ask applicants to contact the Parish Clerk.

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 Methodist Church Services

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

Alnmouth Women's Institute

Meets on the 1st Monday
(Janis Crook 603430)

Alnmouth Autumn Club

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday
(Caroline Martin 830798)

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)

Chapel Art Group

Every Thurs morning in the Old Methodist Chapel

Rock Solid Alnmouth

Weekly during term-time. Tuesdays, 6-7pm (tuck shop 7-7.15pm) in Old Methodist Chapel.

River Aln Boat Club

(George Ternent 830444)

Alnmouth Football Club

www.alnmouthfc.com

Alnmouth Community Rowing Association

(Richard Wilson - 01665 577811)

Alnmouth Burgage Holders

www.burgageholders.co.uk

To hire the Hindmarsh Hall contact Bill Bourne (830530)

Vera Returns to Alnmouth



You tell him, Vera!

It is nearly five years since Vera (Brenda Blethyn) and her TV crew spent several weeks in Alnmouth filming "On Harbour Street".

She returned, this time just for the day, filming for series nine which will consist of four feature length episodes all set in the North East. It is understood they will be broadcast next year.

Strawberry Tea at the Friary

Sunday, 24 June from 2 - 4.30pm
£5, in aid of the HH refurbishment fund

Hindmarsh Hall AGM

Tuesday, 26 June at 7pm
Will include update on the appeal and new developments with the refurbishment project.
Everyone welcome.

Monies Raised.....

The recent Ceilidh in aid of Skaramangus, a refugee camp on the outskirts of Athens, raised £800.

The Christmas Lights Quiz, won by Nick Mattlock's team, "Huffin & Puffin" after a tense tie-break, raised £420.

The "Lazy Sunday Afternoon" in aid of Women's Cancer Research raised £3,327.

Many thanks to everyone involved.

Cragside Rangers Need You!

The Cragside Rangers are looking for volunteers who meet every Wednesday to help look after the 40 miles of footpaths, four lakes, six miles of historic drives and more. For more details contact Leigh on 01669 622026 or email: leigh.philp@nationaltrust.org.uk

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 4 June at 7pm.
"Cross Roads to Cairo"
With Marjorie Mountain

Alnmouth Autumn Club

Tues, 12 June.
Annual Outing.

County Councillor Surgery

Tues, 12 June from 6.15pm to 7.15pm

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 12 June at 7pm
in AVGC. Signage".

Alnmouth Arts Festival

Fri, Sat, 16 and 17 June
See front page

Strawberry Tea at the Friary

Sun 24 June.
See this page.

Western Front Association

In The Serviceman on Mon, 25 June at 7.30pm. "The Battle of Arras" with Alistair Fraser.

Hindmarsh Hall AGM

Tues, 26 June at 7pm.
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Dates for your Diaries

Volcano Night

Sat, 11 August

Promote your event here. Email alnmouthnews@yahoo.com