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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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Arriva and the X18!

Representatives from Alnmouth Parish Council and our NCC Councillors recently had a meeting with Arriva's Commercial Manager to discuss the gradual erosion of the bus service, the problems associated with the buses turning at the War Memorial, the distance many residents now have to walk to the bus stop, the lack of adequate notification of changes and the absence of the station link. Unfortunately we learnt that the Winter timetable to be introduced on 4 November will remove any buses travelling around the village and all will turn at the War Memorial. This issue will be escalated within County Hall and this additional removal of service, which is an experiment, will be monitored carefully and reviewed in the New Year. Your local and County Councillors will continue to put pressure on Arriva to reverse this decline and improve the service to encourage people to use public transport. An important consideration for a village that cannot accommodate more cars. Shaun Whyte The notes of the meeting are on the Newsletter website: www.alnmouth.info They are worth a read!

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday, 11 November marks the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1 and several events are taking place to mark the occasion. They include:

- The service at the War Memorial at 11am.
- The lighting of the beacon by the Parish Council at 7pm.
- The ladies of Alnmouth WI will have a poppy display at the roundabout.
- The Burgage Holders, in collaboration with the Local History Group, are placing plaques around Alnmouth Common to commemorate the 21 men named on the War Memorial. Details at www.burgageholders.co.uk

The Newsletter - the Future

Following Terry's retirement we are delighted to announce that the Newsletter will continue. Simon Walford and Beccy Aitchartnell who have both recently moved into the village have agreed to be joint editors for future issues. A new email address will be created to receive items for publication, but in the meantime please continue to send material to alnmouthnews@yahoo.com which will be monitored by Terry who will forward it on. There will be more details in the next issue.

Shaun Whyte

Thank You!

The past nine years have been a bit of hard work, but a lot of fun. However the Newsletters couldn't have been produced without a lot of help from a lot of people. Thank you to everyone for sending the items for publication, to the newspaper boys and girls who have braved the elements to post a copy through your letter-boxes, to 'jt' for suggesting, creating and maintaining its dedicated website. and thank you for all the kind messages you have sent since I decided to hang up my quill! And of course thank you to the Parish Council, whose idea it was to have a Newsletter in the first place, and pay for it. Please support Simon and Beccy in the way you have supported me. *Terry*

Organisations and Activities

Alnmouth Parish Council

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday

St John the Baptist Church

Services 9.15am. (Fourth Sunday at 10.30am.) (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 GroupEvery Thurs morning in

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 (Dave Foote 07809563973)

Alnmouth Burgage Holders

www.burgageholders.co. uk

To hire the Hindmarsh Hall contact Bill Bourne (830530)

The Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to everyone who baked, prepared jams, harvested produce, ran the stalls and raffle, served coffees and teas, manned the doors and the mike and gave so generously. Thank you to all who attended, there were 133.

It was a fantastic community effort which raised over £1,500 for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Lillian and Janet

River Aln Boat Club

The River Aln Boat Club decided to cruise further afield than usual this year to visit Edinburgh. Seven boats took part and all came back safely, if a little bruised and tired. For a full report go to: www.riveralnboatclub.org/news-and-events

Alnmouth Community Rowing

The build of the new skiff is well under way and everyone is welcome to come and see what is going on. We are usually active on Sunday and Monday afternoons, Wednesday evenings and Thursday mornings. If any readers are interested in getting involved in the build or sponsoring any part of the new boat then please contact me directly via dsfoote@hotmail.com Dave Foote

Hindmarsh Hall Website

The Hindmarsh Hall Trustees have been working with Jo Holden to create a new website to provide information on the hall and what is happening there. It can be found at:

www.hindmarshhall.com

The Hindmarsh Hall Committee presents "An evening with John Grundy"

The historic buildings of Northumberland and Alnmouth. Fri, 9 November at 7pm in the Hindmarsh Hall Tickets £10, to include wine & cheese, from the Aln Gift Shop

Christmas Craft & Food Fair

Sun, 18 Nov from 10am-4pm in the HH and the Old Chapel Homemade soups, scones and cakes. Free Admission. Proceeds to Hindmarsh Hall

St John's Church Christmas Coffee Morning

Sat, 1 Dec from 10am until noon Grand Raffle, Tombola, Cake Stall and much more Admission by donation

Chrismas Lights Switch-On

Sat, 1 Dec at 5pm Followed by a visit from Santa Claus!

And finally the Hulaballoo, organised by the Burgage Holders, which was so successful this year, will be held again in 2019 with the title, "Hullabatwo". The date will be announced in due course. More info at:

www.burgageholders.co.uk

What's On

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 5 Nov at 7pm. "Rothley House Garden" with Isobel Shaw

Bonfire Night and Fireworks Display Mon, 5 Nov at 6pm

Barn Dances

Tuesdays, 6 & 20 Nov at 7.30pm

An evening with John Grundy.

Fri, 9 Nov at 7pm. See this page.

Remembrance Sunday, 11 Nov

Service at the War Memorial at 11am. Beacon lit at 7pm

Alnmouth Autumn Club

Tues, 13 Nov at 2.30pm.
"Hearing Dogs for Deaf People" with Sylvia Fancy and hearing dog. Sookie.

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 13 Nov at 7pm in AVGC. "Fungi & Moss"

Christmas Craft & Food Fair

Sun, 18 Nov from 10am – 4pm. See this page

Western Front Association

Mon, 26 Nov at 7.15 for 7.30pm in The Serviceman.
"Remembering Service & Sacrifice" with Branch Members

St John's Christmas Coffee Morning

Sat, 1 Dec from 10am – noon. See this page

Christmas Lights Switch-On

Sat, 1 Dec at 5pm

White Gardenias Christmas Gig

Sat, 8 Dec at 7.30pm. Tickets, £10, on sale at the Post office in mid-November