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# The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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## Alnmouth Parish Councillors

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Parish Clerk  
Hazel Eccleston  
(830042)  
(Wed - Friday  
10am until noon)

## War Memorial Damaged

In the June issue we reported how Arriva had changed the X18 timetable and dramatically reduced the number of buses coming into the village and that drivers now had to execute a tricky manoeuvre to turn at the war memorial roundabout. Now the inevitable has happened and a bus has damaged the railings and masonry.



You will have noticed that the pavement at the bus stop outside the Schooner Hotel has been raised by the NCC to make it easier, particularly for people with disabilities, to get off and on the bus. What a shame that the number of buses coming into the village has been reduced meaning that many people will not benefit from it.

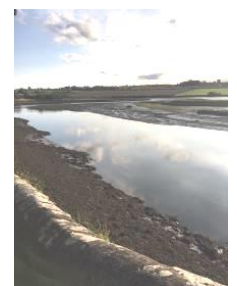
The Newsletter contacted the Arriva press office asking if they had any comment about the roundabout incident and whether they would reconsider their decision to have fewer buses coming into the village.

We also contacted the NCC press office to see if they had any comment about creating a raised pavement that would only serve a minority of the X18 buses. At the time of writing, neither organisation had responded.

You may have seen from the notice on the Parish Council noticeboard that the PC have arranged a meeting with senior personnel from Arriva to discuss the X18 and X20 services. We will bring you news of any developments in the November issue.

## Winners of 2018 Burgage Holders 'Young Photographer' Competition

The winners of the 2018 'Young Photographer' competition were Cicely Kewell (age 2-6), Evelyn Kewell (age 7-10), Olivia Hands (age 11-13) and Maisy Childe (age 14-16). Their photos are shown below. The judges were Susan Hall of the Burgage Holders and Clive Wilson of the Alnmouth Camera Group. The competition was coordinated by the Alnmouth Post Office and owner Nick Mattlock commented, "The children have learnt a lot from last year. Although we had fewer entries the overall standard was very good indeed."



The pictures will be used to produce a 2020 Calendar that will go on sale by Easter 2019.

## 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 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 1<sup>st</sup> Monday  
(Janis Crook 603430)

### **Alnmouth Autumn Club**

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
(Caroline Martin 830798)

### **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)

### **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](http://www.alnmouthfc.com)

### **Alnmouth Community Rowing Association**

(Dave Foote 07809563973)

### **Alnmouth Burgage Holders**

[www.burgageholders.co.uk](http://www.burgageholders.co.uk)

To hire the Hindmarsh Hall contact  
Bill Bourne (830530)

## St John the Baptist Church & The Old Chapel Joint Anglican-Methodist Service of Celebration Wednesday, 10 October at 7pm

When the Chapel on Shepherds Hill was sold in 2013 the Methodists in Alnmouth no longer had a building appropriate for Baptism, Wedding and Funeral Services. The congregation of St John the Baptist Church in Alnmouth indicated willingness to collaborate and work with their Methodist colleagues.

Last year following further consultations with the Methodist District and the Bishop of Newcastle an agreement has been made in which the two congregations can share buildings when necessary for Funerals, Baptisms and, within some legal restrictions, Weddings.

The service on 10 October will not only be an important time to mark the formal agreement but to celebrate the long and growing partnership between the Methodist and Anglican church as Christians together in Alnmouth.

We do hope that many will come along and join us in St John's for the Service and refreshments in the Old Chapel afterwards.

**Revd Ian MacKarill**  
(Vicar)

**Revd Lynda Coulthard**  
(Superintendent Methodist Minister)

### **"My beloved Viola. Rest the weary traveller"**

This is the inscription on an old bench in the graveyard at Foxton, which the Church would like to replace. However before doing so it would like to find out who placed it there. If you know anything about the bench, please contact John Galbraith (830004) or the Vicar (830281).

## Red Lion Beer Festival

Friday - Sunday, 5 - 7 October

Live Music, BBQ, Beer, Cider, Prosecco and Gin Bar  
Entry fee (paid only once), £12 to include glass, tasting notes, 3 beer tokens and wrist band.

Overs 21s only

'Raising money for HospiceCare North Northumberland'

### **Northumberland Astronomy Night**

Saturday, 13 October at Foxton Golf Club from 8-10pm  
Tickets are £14.50 for adults and £7.25 for children and can be booked at:

<http://lundgrentours.com/booking/northumberland-astronomy-night-scale-of-the-universe-2>

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

A very big thank you to everyone who so generously supported this event. Without the support of the village and beyond it would not be nearly so successful. It was an excellent day and raised £2,670 to help with the upkeep of the Church.

## Situation (Still) Vacant

The next issue in November will be the last one to be edited by Terry and the Parish Council is keen that the Newsletter continues. If you would like to learn more about what it involves, contact Terry at; [alnmouthnews@yahoo.com](mailto:alnmouthnews@yahoo.com)

## What's On

### **Alnmouth WI**

Mon, 1 Oct at 7pm.  
"Hearing Dogs for Deaf People" with Sylvia Fancy and hearing dog, Sookie.

### **Barn Dances**

Tuesdays, 2 & 16 Oct at 7.30pm

### **Red Lion Beer Festival**

Fri – Sun, 5-7 Oct.  
See this page

### **Alnmouth Autumn Club**

Tues, 9 Oct at 2.30pm.

### **Alnmouth Camera Group**

Tues, 9 Oct at 7pm in AVGC. "Parallel Lines"

### **Joint Anglican-Methodist Service**

Wed, 10 Oct at 7pm.  
See this page.

### **Northumberland Astronomy Night**

Sat, 13 Oct.  
See this page.

### **Western Front Association**

Mon, 22 Oct at 7.15 for 7.30pm in The Serviceman. "The Americans at the Argonne" with Peter Hart.

### **Bonfire Night**

Monday, 5 Nov.  
(To be confirmed)

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The last date for items to be considered for the Nov issue is  
**Mon, 22 Oct**

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