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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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All Set For 10th Arts Festival

The village is all set for another bumper Arts Festival weekend - the 10th one. There are more than 80 individuals and groups exhibiting their paintings, their crafts and more, with many demonstrating their skills. There are lots of free activities for children and there's music, a bar and a byo BBQ in Peases Park on Saturday evening.



There's some building going on



Rapid progress is being made with the 13 new houses being built by Sturton Grange Developments on the Foxton Road site. Seven of these will be 2-bedroom affordable homes for rent and Caryn Innes from Four Housing, the organisation which will own and manage them, told a village meeting on 13 May how applications for these houses should be made, which will be via Northumberland Homefinder.

The restored allotments are also being laid out by Sturton Grange Developments and should be available from the Spring of 2015. Anyone interested in a plot should contact Andrew Robson or Ruth Finney in the Northumberland Estates Office, Alnwick Castle.

and improvements



and some repairs



The Alnmouth Burgage Holders have re-laid and improved the footpath (above left) between the Golf Club and the beach car park which had been filled in with sand during last December's storms. And the fence alongside Pease's Park (right) which was also damaged last winter has been repaired, thanks to a very generous donation from the Burgage Holders. The Parish Council plans to replace the remaining section as soon as funds allow.

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
(Alistair Sinton 830784)

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 Tuesdays from 5 - 6.30pm 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)

Dancing for 22 Years!



After 22 years of running the hugely popular Barn Dances in the Hindmarsh Hall, Alistair Sinton is handing over the baton. At the last dance of the current season, Alistair and Dorothea were presented with a number of gifts including a bouquet of flowers by Andrew and Norma Willmott.

Flea Market Table Top Sale

The table top sale in aid of the Senior Citizen's Christmas Lunch raised a magnificent £313 and the Committee would like to thank all who attended, the Parish Council and the Hindmarsh Hall and the "two Davids!"

The Bunny Trail

The Children's Bunny Trial over the Easter Holidays raised £160 for Hipsburn First School. Thanks to everyone who hosted a bunny in their homes or businesses, and an extra big thank you to Nick and the staff at the Post Office for coordinating the trail.

The Aln Valley Railway - Help Wanted!

The Aln Valley Railway Trust is always on the lookout for volunteers who can help with the project of returning trains to the Alnwick-Alnmouth line.

They are looking for people who can give up a few hours, on an occasional basis, to help with, for example, light gardening duties, selling tickets & manning the shop, organising events or supervising car parking. They also want carpenters, electricians and stone-masons as well as "strong- persons". Prospective volunteers are invited to contact the AVR's Volunteer Coordinator, Peter Black on 077366 356324.

The Secret Gardens of Alnmouth

Sunday, 1 June from 10am - 4.30pm

Tickets, £4.50 from Post Office, Alnmouth Country Store and Aln Gift Shop. Can be purchased on day outside Alnmouth Church Children free.

Enquiries to Shian Hartshorn on 830 326

Puffin Stores and Post Office

As a result of renovation and refurbishment of the Puffin Stores, the Post Office will be closed from **Thursday, 5 June until Monday, 16 June.**

The Newsagents business will remain open during that time, thanks to the Church Wardens, who are allowing a marquee to be situated just inside the Church Yard. Newspapers will be available from **7am until mid-day.**

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

Alnmouth's Secret Gardens

Sun, 1 June, 10am - 4.30pm. See this page.

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 2 June at 7pm.
"Daft as a Brush" with Brian Burnie.

Autumn Club

Tues, 10 June at 2.30.
"What Northumberland Age UK can do for you"

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 10 June at 7pm in the AVGC. "Sky"

Alnmouth Arts Festival

Sat and Sun, 21 and 22 June.

Western Front Assoc.

Mon, 23 June at 7.15 for 7.30pm in Alnmouth Ex-Servicemen's Club.
"War is the father of all things" with John Mason Sneddon.

Alnmouth Fun Day.

Sat, 26 July. In aid of Stephen Carey Fund

Hindmarsh Hall at The Friary

- (by kind permission of the Brothers)
Sunday, 27 July from 2-4pm.

Local History Group Coffee Morning.

Sat, 9 August.

Annual Raft Race

Saturday, 23 August

Christmas Lights Switch-On

Sat, 29 November

Promote your event here!

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