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Another Viking Invasion?

No, just competitors in the Annual Raft Race

Bank Holiday Saturday saw another excellent turnout of spectators and competitors in the annual raft race with six junior teams and fourteen senior teams taking part. A great day was had by all with the Zulus winning the junior race and the Vikings (right) winning the seniors. More pictures can be found on the Newsletter website: www.alnmouth.info



But Spectators Encountered an Obstacle Course!



Many of the spectators who followed the raft race from start to finish along Lovers Walk failed to get to the finishing line in time. They encountered lengthy queues at the two stiles at the "bypass" which was put in place to get round the path blocked by masonry during last December's tidal surge. You can learn more about this situation at the Parish Council Open Meeting (below).

Annual Parish Council Open Meeting

September 23rd at 7pm in the Hindmarsh Hall is your opportunity to raise with your Parish Council any concerns you have about the village. We have invited a representative of NCC to update us on the Lovers Walk/Harbour Wall situation. Also present will be John Turnbull of Four Housing and Philippa Storey of Northumberland Homefinder who want to talk about the 7 new affordable homes on Foxtan Road which are expected to be completed by November.

New Team for the Arts Festival

There was a very enthusiastic response to last month's appeal for more help to organise the Alnmouth Arts Festival. The residents are obviously committed to the continuation of this unique event and have shown their support. The new team has already started to plan for next year under the able leadership of Parish Councillor Jill Brown.

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)

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)

Alnmouth Erupts - Again



Twenty-nine teams took part in the latest Volcano Night which raised £290 to be shared between the RNLi and the Alnmouth Community Rowing Boat.

Julie Celebrates 10 years in Business



On 23 August, 2004, Julie Roper moved into what is now The Aln Gift Shop. In that time the shop has taken on a coastal theme and she says, "We get a lot of repeat business from visitors and also from local people which means we can stay open all year round." Here's to the next ten years, Julie!

St John's Church Fete

It wasn't the calmest or warmest Bank Holiday Monday, but the annual Church Fete at St John's again drew another large crowd. We'll tell you how much was raised in a future issue.



Tea and Scones Fundraiser

The recent "Tea and Scones" fundraiser for the Senior Citizens Lunch, due to be held on the riverside at Jill and Bill Bourne's home was relocated to the Hindmarsh Hall due to heavy rain. Incredibly over £300 was raised. We would like to thank everyone for their support especially the Alnmouth Local History Group who allowed their interesting and detailed exhibition to be displayed for a further day. Many thanks to Jill and Bill who not only worked hard on their garden but also helped prepare the Hall. Thanks also to people who gave the super raffle prizes.

The Senior Citizens Xmas Lunch Committee.

And last but not least the recent quiz in aid of Alexa's Dog Rescue raised £486. Many thanks to all who took part.

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

Alnmouth WI

Monday, 1 Sept at 7pm.
"Flowers from the Garden" with Sandra Dickinson.

Alnmouth Local History Group Meeting

Thursday, 4 Sept at 2pm.

Autumn Club

Tuesday, 9 Sept at 2.30pm.
"Thrills in the Dark" with Derek Greenacre.

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 9 Sept at 7pm in the AVGC. "Alphabet"

Aln Valley Railway

Thurs, 18 Sept at 7.15 for 7.30pm in Alnwick Station. "NE Photos from the Malcolm Dunnett Collection" with David Dunn.

Western Front Assoc.

Monday, 22 Sept at 7.15 for 7.30pm in Ex-Servicemen's Club. Walking the Front" with Andrew Charlton.

Annual Parish Council Open Meeting

Tuesday, 23 Sept at 7.30pm.

Barn Dances Resume!

Tuesdays, 7 and 21 October at 7.30pm.

White Gardenias

Saturday, 22 November. More details to follow.

Christmas Lights Switch-On

Sat, 29 November

Promote your event here!

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