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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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10am until noon)

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published by the
Alnmouth Parish
Council and edited
by Terry Collinson.

Note: the closing
date for items to be
considered for the
May Issue is Friday,
21 April.

Alnmouth's First Food Fest



Sunday, 9 April will see the village's first Food Fest. Following in the footsteps of the hugely popular and successful Arts Festival, Volcano Night, Raft Race, Bonfire Night, Christmas Lights, New Year's Day Swim and Charity Beer Festival, the Food Fest has to date attracted more than 20 traders to the Hindmarsh Hall and other venues.

There will be puddings, pizzas, pies, cheeses, sausages, spices, jams, cakes, ice-creams and various drinks for people to taste and to buy. There will also be street-food catering for a variety of tastes.

Youngsters from Hipsburn School are taking part in a decorated Easter Egg competition which will be exhibited in the Hindmarsh Hall and judged at 4pm.

There is no entry charge and all proceeds will go the Hall Repair Fund and if successful the Food Fest may become an annual event.

Parish Council & County Council Elections

County Council elections will be held on Thursday, 4 May 2017 and will include elections to our Parish Council if there are more than 10 nominations. This year all the existing Parish Councillors have to re-apply if they wish to continue serving on the Council. If you are interested in serving the village as a Parish Councillor please contact the Parish Clerk who will advise on obtaining nomination forms and other aspects of the process. The nomination period will close on 4 April.

Are you Registered?

To be able to vote, you must be on the electoral roll and registering is easy. If you are not clear whether you are on the register call 01670 624811 or email: elections@northumberland.gov.uk The closing date is 13 April.

The Burgage Holders of Alnmouth Common

Residents Car Park Passes now available at the Post Office

Charging will commence at the Beach Car Park from 1 April. To get your free pass now, take a recent utility bill as proof of residence to the Post Office.

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
(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

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)
Dinghy Racing; 9 April
@2.30pm; 23 April @
1.15pm.

Alnmouth Football Club

www.alnmouthfc.com

Join the Dancing Girls!

Wednesdays 9.30-
10.30am in HH.
(Margaret - 712818)

Alnmouth Community Rowing Association

(Richard Wilson -
01665 577811)

To hire the Hindmarsh

Hall contact Jean
Cullen (830501)

A Big Beach Clean-Up



On Sunday, 19 March, Alnmouth Area Friends of the Earth in partnership with the National Trust did a beach clean at Alnmouth South. The session took 3 hours and they collected 12 bags of rubble, plastic cotton buds, an old tyre, an old raft, items of clothing and of course several piles of dog poo. After their efforts they managed to enjoy a picnic in the dunes! (Photograph courtesy Cathy Crowther)

Captains' Days at the Village Golf Club

On Good Friday, 14 April, the new men's Captain,
Geoff Stancliffe will tee-off at 2pm

On Saturday, 15 April, the new ladies' Captain,
Edna Yeadon, will tee-off at 12.30pm.

Raising Money.....

The AVGC Ladies Section coffee morning raised £712;
the Lesbury Cricket Club Jumble Sale, £530;
the Dog Walkers' Dinner in the Sun Inn, £433 for Alexa's
Animal Rescue;
and the Christmas Light Quiz, £330.

Council Tax, 2017/18

Residents receiving their Council Tax Bills for the coming year will have noticed that whereas the overall payment has increased, there has been a slight reduction in the amount for Alnmouth Parish Council. Your Parish Council asked for the same precept as last year, but as there has been an increase in the number of properties this year, the amount payable per household has reduced.

Contacting the Newsletter

Orange are discontinuing their email service at the end of May, which means that alnmouthnews@fsmail.net will no longer operate.

Can you please use alnmouthnews@yahoo.com to contact the Newsletter in future.

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

Alnmouth WI

Monday, 3 April at 7pm.
Annual Meeting

Barn Dances

Tuesdays, 4 & 18 April
at 7.30pm.

River Aln Boat Club

Sat 8 April from 10am
until noon, Spring Clear-
Up and Charity Boat
Jumble Auction at the
Boat Park.

1st Alnmouth Food Fest

Sun, 9 April from 10am
until 5pm
See front page.

Alnmouth Autumn Club

Tues, 11 April at
2.30pm. "The Dixon
Brothers of Rothbury"
with Hugh Dixon.

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 11 April at 7pm in
the AVGC. "Chairs"

Aln Valley Railway

Thurs, 20 April at 7.15
for 7.30pm in Alnmouth
Station. "An Evening
with Pat Murphy"

River Aln Boat Club

Mon 24 April at 7.30pm
for 8pm in the AVGC.
"Sailors' Hints and Tips".

Western Front Association

Mon, 24 April, 7.15 for
7.30pm in RAFA Club,
Alnmouth. "Hopping the
Bags - 33AIF Messines"
with Alistair Fraser.

Dates for your Diaries

Arts Festival
17 & 18 June

Volcano Night
Sat 26 Aug