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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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10am until noon)

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All Set for the 13th Arts Festival

The 13th Alnmouth Arts Festival takes place on 17 and 18 June with 72 artists and groups exhibiting, including 18 new artists, in 22 venues. As usual the Preview Evening will take place on Friday 16 June from 6 – 8 pm and the Festival is open from 10am until 5pm, Saturday and Sunday. There are lots of exiting new activities including

an extensive children's programme and live music in Peases Park as well as busking around the village. Any local budding musicians/performers out there are more than welcome to busk too!

Once again, we would like as many residents as possible to hang old picture or photo frames, decorated in any way you like, outside their house or business. Please get involved in the 'Frame Up' for maximum publicity! And don't forget to buy your copy of the Festival guide – out soon!

The Alnmouth Arts Festival Committee



Bourne Free!



After 8 years in office as Chair of Alnmouth Parish Council, Bill Bourne has decided to step down. Our loss is Hindmarsh Hall Committee's gain and we wish Bill well in his new role. Bill's invaluable combination of wisdom, knowledge, tact and common sense is evident to all who know him and he will be much missed by the Council. In recognition of Bill's long and conscientious service, his fellow Councillors arranged a card and gift token.

Our photo shows these being presented to Bill by the Council's two longest serving Councillors, David Denton and George Ternent.

New Parish Councillors

At the recent Parish Council meeting, two new Councillors were appointed, they are Bill Gilroy (top left) and Shaun Whyte (bottom left). Bill, a retired engineer who worked in the off-shore oil industry has lived in the village for over 30 years. Shaun, who is also retired worked in the financial sector, and has lived here for two years. He has family connections in the area and has been coming to Alnmouth for 30 years. We welcome them both to the Council and thank them for agreeing to serve as Councillors.

A new Chair and Vice-Chair will be appointed at the June meeting.

Two other Councillors (as well as Bill Bourne) stepped down. They are Nick Mattlock and Mac McHugh – we thank them for their work on the Council over the years.

The Parish Council has a vacancy of one seat. Anyone interested in joining should send their application to the Parish Clerk by post or email. Contact details are available on the Parish website, www.alnmouthparishcouncil.org.uk



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)

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)

Push the Boat Out – And they did!



The River Aln's Boat Club 'Push the Boat Out' weekend was a great success with over 90 people aged between 4 and 72 making around 100 boat trips between them. Half had never been on the water before. The Club has had around a dozen new applications for membership, both social and boating, from women, family groups and young people. A post-event survey carried out on line revealed that everyone who responded would recommend Push the Boat Out to a family member or friend. And voluntary contributions of £55 were received for the RNLI.

Alnmouth & Alwick Croquet Club Open Day

Friday, 2 June from 10am until 4pm

Alnmouth & Lesbury Cricket Ground

Come and try a new sport – all you need are flat soled shoes or trainers. If you can't make the day come along any Tuesday or Friday afternoon and you will be made most welcome.

“Music for a Summer Evening”

Sat, 17 June at 7pm in St John's Church

Eleftherios Koumasidis of Aegina

With Guest Artists Josie McDonough and Alison Rudd.

Admission by Donation – Interval Refreshments

Debt Advice Services at Citizens Advice

Free, confidential, independent advice on money worries is available at all offices of Citizens Advice Northumberland. Help can come in many shapes and forms; trained staff can give face-to-face or telephone advice.

Call 03444 111 444, Mon to Fri, 10am – 4pm

And finally

The recent Coffee Morning raised £166 for the Senior Citizens' Xmas Lunch Fund. Thanks to the Methodist Chapel, those who gave Tombola items and all who helped and came.

The 2017 Alnmouth Easter Bunny Trail raised £69 for Hipsburn Primary School. All prizes were donated by Puffins Stores Alnmouth Post Office

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

Alnmouth & Alwick Croquet Club Open Day

Friday, 2 June from 10am until 4pm at the Alnmouth & Lesbury Cricket Ground. See this page.

Alnmouth WI

Monday, 5 June at 7pm.

“Poisons in Your Garden” with Rob Wilson from Alwick Gardens.

Alnmouth Autumn Club Outing

Thurs, 8 June, coach leaves HH at 9.30am. Reserved places only.

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 13 June at 7pm in the AVGC. Arts Festival Preparation.

Arts Festival

Sat & Sun, 17 & 18 June

Music for a Summer Evening

Sat, 17 June at 7pm in St John's Church. See this page.

Hindmarsh Hall AGM

Tues, 20 June at 7pm.

St John the Baptist Church

Annual Gift Day, Sat, 24 June from 10am until 4pm.

Dates for your Diaries

Raft Race

Sun, 6 Aug

Volcano Night

Sat, 26 Aug

St John's Church Annual Fete

Mon, 28 August
Note: this year will see a vegetable and produce stall – more details next month.

Note: the closing date for items to be considered for the June Issue is Thurs, 22 June.