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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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(Mon – Thurs
10am until noon)

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The last date for items to be considered for the December issue is Thursday, 23 Nov.

Over 400 Entries in Photography Competition

The competition organised by the Alnmouth Burgage Holders and the Alnmouth Post Office for four age groups aged from 6 and under to 16 attracted more than 400 photographs from 40 entrants. The subject matter was Alnmouth Common and the judges were your editor and Judi Hill. Judging was not easy as the standard of entries was so high. The winning photographs can be seen at www.alnmouth.info.

At least one image from every entrant is featured in the Alnmouth Calendar for 2018.



Designed by Nick Mattlock, copies are now on sale at the Alnmouth Post Office for £7.50 (there is a special price of £5 for the entrants). Our picture above shows (l to r), Nick Mattlock, young photographers; Olivia Hands, Caitlin Youll, Mikaela Benn- Shallow, Georgie Youll, and Robin Winder, the Burgage Holders' Moorgrieve, and Rosie. Half the profits are being donated to the Burgage Holders to be used to sponsor children's activities in the village. For more information about the Burgage Holders, go to their website: www.alnmouthonline.uk



Beer Festival Raises £8,546

The recent Red Lion Beer Festival raised an amazing £8,546 for HospiceCare North Northumberland, bringing the total for that charity over the past 3 years to more than £19,000. Thanks go to all the sponsors, to the breweries who had beer on sale, who each donated a barrel, and of course all those who came and took part!

Hair Today - None Tomorrow?

The Sun Inn's head chef, Tom Dodd, and sous-chef, Matt McDonogh, are going to have their heads shaved at the end of the month to raise money for Cancer Research. Pictured are Tom and Matt with bar manager, Tom Deck. We'll show you their new look and tell you how much they made in a future issue.



Volunteers Required

Many of the memorial benches in the village require maintenance and painting. If you would like to help with this essential work, please contact the Parish Clerk, who is compiling a list of volunteers. Help may also be required in other areas such as tidying the War Memorial, Planters and Dr Joy's Garden etc. Work will carried out in November.

The New Traffic System

The Traffic Experiment closing date is 14 November, and anyone wishing to lodge their views on the scheme needs to do so through the NCC at: HighwaysProgramme@northumberland.gov.uk

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

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

Exercise, Movement & Dance for 50+ Wednesdays 9.30-10.30am in HH.

(Margaret - 712818)

Alnmouth Community Rowing Association (Richard Wilson -

01665 577811)

To hire the Hindmarsh Hall contact Bill Bourne (830530)

WI Winter Warmer and Nearly New Sale



The ladies of Alnmouth WI served over 60 lunches at their recent Winter Warmer and Nearly New Sale, many to members of other WIs in the area. The proceeds are going to support Alnmouth WI's centenary celebrations in March next year.

Bonfire Night!

Sunday, 5 Nov at 5pm on Alnmouth Common

Fireworks and Soup Sponsored by Alnmouth Parish Council and the Burgage Holders of Alnmouth Common In aid of the Hindmarsh Hall Refurbishment Fund

River Aln Boat Club Coffee Morning Sat, 11 Nov, 10am-noon in the Hindmarsh Hall

Donations of cakes and raffle prizes gratefully received. In aid of Amble Lifeboat

Service of Remembrance

Sunday, 12 Nov at 9.45am in St John's Church Followed by the service at the War Memorial at 11am

Anyone planning to attend only the 11am service is welcome to join the congregation for coffee at 10.30am

4th Annual Christmas Craft Fair

Sat, 18 Nov from 10am-4pm In the Hindmarsh Hall and Old Chapel

Homemade Soups, scones and cakes for sale.
An amazing array of gifts, including artwork, glass, wood, paper, textiles, jewellery, photography and more!
Free admission – Proceeds to the HH Refurbishment Fund

Thank you.....

The Make-up, Prosecco and Canapé night held at The Serviceman was a very enjoyable evening that also made over £400 for the Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch. Our thanks must go to everyone who supported us, the Committee for allowing us to use their lounge and the staff at the club for their help. *Janet Thomas*

The recent Macmillan Coffee Morning, held on a very wet Friday morning was attended by 103 hardy souls and raised an amazing £1267.18

Thomas Mackenley

In Loving Memory Of
Thomas Mackenley
27 Sept 1966 - 27 July 2017
Valued Member of Staff,
Friend & Colleague.

This is the plaque on the bench which was unveiled in memory of Thomas outside the Hope & Anchor on 27 September – what would have been his 51st birthday.

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

Bonfire Night

Sun, 5 Nov at 5pm. See this page.

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 6 Nov at 7.30pm. "Fool's Gold"

Barn Dances

Tuesdays, 7 & 21 Nov at 7.30pm

River Aln Boat Club Coffee Morning

Sat, 11 Nov from 10am until noon. In aid of Amble Lifeboat. See this page.

Remembrance Sunday

Sun, 12 Nov. See this page.

Autumn Club

Tues, 14 Nov at 2.30pm. "The Darlington and Stockton Railway"

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 14 Nov at 7pm in AVGC. "Trees"

Aln Valley Railway Meeting

In the Old Waiting Room, Alnwick Station. Thurs, 16 Nov at 7.30pm. "Development in fares and ticketing on Britain's Railways" with Alex Nelson.

Christmas Craft Fair

Sat, 18 Nov from 10am – 4pm. See this page.

Dates for your diaries

Christmas Lights Switch-On

Sat, 2 Dec at 5pm.

White Gardenias Concert

Fri, 8 Dec at 7.30pm. Tickets, £10, on sale from mid-November at the Post Office.