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The Alnmouth Village Newsletter

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VILLAGE ACCESS – SOME REASSURANCE?

Melting snow revealed that the cracks in the road and pavement next to the Wellfield development were yet wider and longer. The Parish Council has continued to press for action and information from NCC and our local County Councillor. A result of a kind, at least; Dick Phillips, Network Manager at NCC, phoned to say that one of his engineers had visually inspected the embankment and was sure that it was not in danger of immediate collapse. The Parish Council does not altogether share his



confidence, but it's their job to know these things. Now that the snow has gone, NCC will install monitoring equipment to determine exactly what

problems there are with the embankment. This will be followed by remedial work.

BUS SERVICES



During the snow the bus service sometimes turned round at the Wellfield or Hipsburn roundabouts, thus missing out the village. The problem was that no information was given about these emergency arrangements and some travellers were left waiting outside the Post Office. Arriva explained that it was left to the discretion of the individual driver and some drivers were more adventurous than others. The Parish Council is asking the bus company for a better information system in future, perhaps by getting a message to the Post Office

GREEN WASTE BINS

Many Alnmouth residents have very small gardens or yards and cannot justify the expense of a green waste bin (which are actually brown) or find room for a compost bin. Ever keen to reduce the amount of waste going to landfill via the standard bins, the Parish Council has considered getting a green waste bin for communal use. Where to locate it would be a significant problem, but if you feel you would use such a facility please let the Parish Council know.

FEEDBACK WANTED

This is the 3rd issue of the Newsletter and the Parish Council would very much appreciate your views on it. Is it useful? How can it be improved?

Please pass your comments to the Editor.

Alnmouth Organisations and Activities

Alnmouth Parish Council

Meets on the 2nd Monday of each month in the Hindmarsh Hall.

St John the Baptist Church

Services 09.15, first three Sundays of the month. (Peter Annett 830086)

Alnmouth Women's Institute

Meets on the 1st Monday of each month in the Hindmarsh Hall. (Jean Cullen 830501)

Alnmouth Autumn Club

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Hindmarsh Hall. (Alistair Sinton 830784 or Audrey McKane 830809)

Alnmouth Camera Group

Next meeting Tuesday, 9th Feb at 19.00 in the Hope & Anchor. (Barbara Aitchison 830107) See exhibition in H&A.

Alnmouth Local History Group

(Fred Bettess 830638)

Brownies

Meets Tuesdays in the Hindmarsh Hall. (Sue Jackson 830142)

Yoga and Yoga Bugs

(Claire Lang 581434)

Chapel Art Group

Meets weekly in the Old Methodist Chapel on Thursday mornings.

To hire the Hindmarsh Hall contact Jean Cullen (830501)

POTHOLES – POTHOLES!



The state of the Village's roads was already causing comment before the snow and the potholes seem to have been breeding and growing underneath them. The Parish Council is reporting the situation to the NCC and already some repairs have been made. (photo, bottom right)

Upstairs.....



in the Hindmarsh Hall tickets for "Alnmouth All At Sea" were selling like hot cakes! Meanwhile:

Downstairs.....

The Christmas Lights Coffee Morning raised the magnificent sum of £340!

Alnmouth Arts Festival - Reminder

Planning the 6th Alnmouth Arts Festival is well under way. If you or your business would like to be involved please come along to a meeting in the Hindmarsh Hall on:

Tuesday, 2nd February, 2010 at 19.00.

Don't Miss!

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 1st Feb at 19.00.
A talk from Alison Arrowsmith on "Life Coaching".
New members/guests welcome.

Barn Dances

Tuesdays, 2nd and 16th Feb at 19.30 in the Hindmarsh Hall.
Entry £2 to include refreshments.

Alnmouth & Lesbury Cricket Club

Jumble Sale, Wed, 17th Feb at 12.00, Lesbury Village Hall.
Items to donate; (Wallace 830774, Andrew 830927 or Bill 830746)

Aln Valley Railway Society

"A Bass Brewery Works Railway Outing in the early 1900s".
Thurs, 18th Feb at 19.15 for 19.30 in the Waiting Room, Alnwick Station.
(Roger Jermy 606168)

Musical Evening at the Golf Club

Sat, 20th Feb at 20.00.
Singer, Chantelle Marie.
Tickets £6 (to include supper) at the door or from 833189 or the Clubhouse (830730)

Alnmouth All At Sea.

Thurs, Fri and Sat, 25th 26th and 27th Feb. Hindmarsh Hall at 19.30.

On going to press very few tickets remaining!

Australian Wine-tasting Evening

Friday, 19th March at 19.30 in the Hindm **Sold Out**

Have your event promoted here!

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