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What generous people you are.....!

That was a headline we carried in the Dec issues in both 2010 and 2011 when we reported how much had been raised in the village for various causes. In **2010** it was **£11,847**, and in **2011** it was a magnificent **£17,450**. Well, what about 2012?

During the year the Newsletter has recorded more than 25 events ranging from coffee mornings to mountain climbing, golf challenges and more..... far too many to list again..... and the sum raised?

more than £30,000!

(And this against a back-drop of a recently published national report that said charitable donations in the UK were down 20% this year)

Sheep Tales and Spinning Yarns

Visitors to the recent exhibition were treated to a wealth of information about sheep and shepherding in North Northumberland.

One of the exhibitors was Jane Jackson from Rock, who recently won the competition to find the poster image for next year's Arts Festival. Jane is pictured holding the poster which will be used to advertise the festival.



The Senior Citizens Lunch

This ever-popular event will be held on Sunday, 13 January 2013 for all residents who have reached 65 years of age. Invitations will be distributed in December, giving details about applying for tickets.

A team of hardworking and enthusiastic residents have been very busy all year raising funds which, together with a generous donation from the Burgage Holders, means that the Lunch and wine will be completely free for all our Senior Citizens. If you want to come, return the application, make a note of the date and give a big thank-you to all those who raised the money and are organising the event.



Bonfire Night

The recent bonfire night raised a splendid £160 for Hipsburn School.

Our picture shows Guy Fawkes being escorted to the fire!

Many thanks to everyone who took part.

The recent **River Aln Boat Club Coffee Morning** in aid of **the Amble Lifeboat** raised **£172**, with the boat club adding a further **£128** to bring the grand total to **£300** - many thanks yet again to everyone concerned.

Organisations and Activities

Alnmouth Parish Council

Meets on the 2nd Monday in HH.

St John the Baptist Church

Services 9.15am. (Fourth Sunday at 10am.)
(Isabel Chalmers 830362)

Alnmouth Women's Institute

Meets on the 1st Monday (Haley Hackett 833711)
www.alnmouthwi.co.uk

Alnmouth Autumn Club

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday (Alistair Sinton 830784 or Audrey McKane 830809)

Alnmouth Camera Group

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday (Terry Collinson 830228)

Alnmouth Local History Group

(Fred Bettess 830638)

Alnmouth Village Golf Club

Full and Social Membership available. (Clubhouse 830370)

Brownies

Meets Tuesdays in HH. (Sue Jackson 830142)

Yoga and Yoga Bugs

(Claire Lang 581434)

Chapel Art Group

Every Thurs morning in the Old Methodist Chapel

Alnmouth Youth Club

Meets Fridays from 5 - 7pm 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)

"Those Were The Days"



The WI's November members evening took Archives as its theme, this being the WI Archives Year. As part of the programme, members were asked to dress up in the styles of the 20s through to the 70s. The Federation's archivist, Jackie Wylie, selected the team representing the 1940s (above) as the winners.



On your Bike!

Word has just reached us that Maryanne Freer (pictured) cycled the 199 miles from London to Paris over 3 days back in early Sept. In doing so she raised £1099.52 for St Oswald's with £600 coming from people in Alnmouth.

We hope you've recovered, Maryanne!

Don't Miss - on Saturday, 1 December

St John the Baptist Church Coffee Morning

From 10am until noon in Hindmarsh Hall

Christmas Lights Switch-On

At 4.30 pm outside the Hindmarsh Hall

The Hindmarsh Hall Players "Almost Anything Goes"

That's the title of the revue for 2013 which will take place from Thurs, 28 Feb to Sat, 2 March.

Tickets, £8, will be on sale on Sats, 26 Jan and 2 Feb from 10am until 1pm - so no need to start queuing just yet!

(The 2012 revue, "Down Memory Lane", raised **£2,000** for HH funds)

Next Month.....

We'll be telling you more about the work of the Parish Council and what being a Councillor involves. The Parish Council is keen that candidates wishing to become Councillors put themselves forward so the people of Alnmouth can have a real choice in the May elections.

What's On

(In HH unless stated)

St John the Baptist Church Christmas Coffee Morning

Sat, 1 Dec from 10am - noon.

Christmas Lights Switch-On

Sat, 1 Dec at 4.30pm outside the Hindmarsh Hall.

Alnmouth Village Golf Club

Sat, 1 Dec at 7pm. Prize Bingo in aid of the Junior Golf.

Alnmouth WI

Mon, 3 Dec at 7pm. Christmas Party.

Alnmouth Autumn Club Christmas Dinner

Tues, 11 Dec at 6.30 for 7pm at Nether Grange.

Alnmouth Camera Group

Tues, 11 Dec at 7pm in the Hope & Anchor. "Black and White"

Alnmouth Methodist Church

Carol Service in Old Chapel, Wed 12 Dec at 7pm.

Aln Valley Railway

Thurs, 13 Dec at 7 for 7.30pm at Alnwick Station, "The Members Entertain".

Barn Dances

Tues, 18 Dec and New Year's Eve.

Alnmouth Village Golf Club

Sat, 22 Dec at 7.30pm. Pete Lincoln - All Welcome.

Western Front Association

No formal meeting in December.

Looking Ahead

Senior Citizens Lunch

Sunday, 13 January.

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