



LESBURY PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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Lesbury Remembers the Great War on 26th September 2015

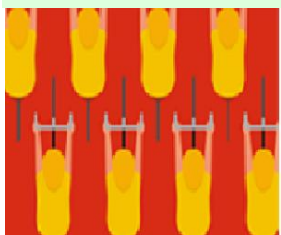


Residents of Lesbury Parish and surrounding villages are invited to take part in a special day of events centred on the Village Hall called "Lesbury Remembers 1914-1918". It is timed to coincide with the centenary of the action which resulted in the award of Piper Daniel Laidlaw's Victoria Cross. Plans feature a procession along the main street led by a pipe band, unveiling of a specially commissioned plaque and commemorative Paving Stone at the Village Hall, a stage presentation by children from Hipsburn School and an evening showing of the acclaimed WW1 period film directed by Steven Spielberg. Morning activities will include early twentieth century yard games for the children, informative fun

workshops conducted by members of Bailiffgate Museum, a demonstration of a camp kitchen by period uniformed soldiers and smoothie- making using pedal power. It is a free day for the whole community and the organisers hope that it will be of interest and value to people of all ages. A marquee erected on the tennis court behind the hall will be used to serve cakes and refreshments provided by the WI and the Bridge Group with the cooperation of the Bowls Club, St Mary's Church and Alnmouth Parish Council (for the marquee).

Central to the event is a display of artefacts and memorabilia relating to the times to be mounted in the Village Hall on Friday for viewing from Saturday morning onwards. It is hoped that families and individuals who have links with the building when it was the school will be prepared to contribute items as well as those who have connections with the First World War. In the weeks leading up to the event we would like to be able to interview people who have memories and stories that they are willing to share. Please contact members of the Hall Committee by telephoning Peter Hollins on 01665 830330 or Charles Jones on 01665 830527 or by emailing info@lesburyvillagehall.co.uk for more information or to offer help. Please check the Village Hall website www.lesburyvillagehall.co.uk for more details including the full schedule for the day. (Peter Hollins)

Road Closure- On Saturday 26th September the B1339 through Lesbury will be closed for 45minutes to allow the "Lesbury Remembers 1914-1918" parade to take place. Emergency vehicles only will be able to use the road between the A1068 (Alnwick Road) roundabout and the junction with the Longhoughton Road between the times of 1.45 to 2.30pm. The organising committee apologises for any inconvenience and thanks residents for their patience and understanding during this once-in-a-life-time event.



Tour of Britain Cycle Race - It's getting closer! In fact on 9th September the race will start at Cornhill and pass through Alnwick, finishing that day's stage in Blyth. Part of the route will pass through our Parish along the A1068 and it would be great to have a good turnout to see and cheer the cyclists on their way. Timing is not exact but the race is expected to be in our area between 1.30 pm and 3.00pm - please check with the NCC website - Tour of Britain for more precise times as the event draws closer. Please be aware that

there will be major road closures during the event, especially the A1068 and side roads leading up to it. Hopefully Lesbury Parish can give the riders a great welcome and send off.



Vandalism or stupidity? - It is hard to imagine in our relatively quiet village that someone could be so stupid as to spray weed killer over another person's front lawn but yes it has happened (and shown in the photo.) The police have been involved and although we will not give details in this newsletter of where it happened if anyone has any information about such an occurrence, please let the police know.

Dementia Friendly Lesbury- At our July meeting the PC agreed to form a small sub-group comprising Parish Councillors and residents with an interest in or experience of dementia. Carol Southam and Douglas Hunter have agreed to help the group lead the Parish towards attaining "Dementia Friendly Community" status. They will advise what resources would be needed from the PC (e.g. room hire, production of action plan, etc.). The group will report back at the Parish Council meeting on the 22nd September.



X18 bus service to Alnmouth Station- the PC have been informed that, from 27th September 2015, the X18 service will no longer travel via Curly Lane and stop outside Alnmouth Station. Arriva have stated "this is because the nature of Curly Lane is difficult for buses to negotiate and has a negative impact on the reliability of the service." Instead, the service will run along the A1068 through Hipsburn and it is proposed to have 2 new bus stops to be located north of the roundabout so that passengers who require connections with rail services

will only have to walk a short distance! This will not only affect rail users but residents at the top of Curly Lane, South View and Bilton. If you wish to comment please visit the following web address

<http://trafficconsult.northumberland.gov.uk/> if you wish to respond to this consultation online (at the time of writing this scheme had not gone on line) or write to Mr R McKenzie, NCC, County Hall, Morpeth, Northumberland , NE61 2EF

Trying to sort out a problem? - The Citizens Advice service provides free, confidential information and advice on a wide range of subjects including debt, benefits, housing, and employment problems. You can get help in a number of ways:

- By telephoning Northumberland Adviceline on 03444 111 444 open Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm.
- By calling into one of our drop-in sessions at our Alnwick office
Lloyds Bank Chambers - Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 9am to 1pm
24 Bondgate Within
Alnwick
NE66 1TD



We have specialist debt and welfare benefits advisers to help you. Help is also available at www.citizensadvice.org.uk.

STOP PRESS - the Northumbria in Bloom results will be out on the 15th September!

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Parish Council meetings are usually held in Lesbury Village Hall on the 4th Tuesday of the month. All residents are welcome to attend.