

Website News Archive : 2023

03-Jan-2023: The History section of this website has been substantially revised to make relevant articles easier to find. A new and up-to-date list of Alne Parish Councillors from 1913 to 2022 has also been compiled and is available on the [History page](#).

03-Jan-2023: Yellow Lines on the Village Hall corner. We have been advised that Civil Enforcement Officers will be monitoring this area so we would suggest that everyone takes care to keep to the rules and refrains from parking on the lines.

10-Jan-2023: The photo on the right below shows some of the Tholthorpe Scouts responsible for planting 30 trees in the APLA woodland before Christmas as part of the Queen's Green Canopy project which formed part of her Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Taking part were 24 Scouts from all four sections (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers).

16-Jan-2023: The River Kyle depth gauge is showing 1.88 metres above normal this afternoon. This is higher than the 1.78 recorded on 24-Feb-2022 which was the previous highest since the gauge was installed in Dec-2021.

24-Jan-2023: The proposed road closures for Alne Street Fayre on Sunday 11-June are the same as usual and are shown on the map on the Parish Council notice board in the centre of the village. If you have any comments, please contact Suzi Rix, Alne Street Fayre, on 07767-848317 or alnestreetfayre@btinternet.com by Saturday 11-February. Thank you.

29-Jan-2023: [Click here](#) to read the February Parish newsletter (in full colour!)

04-Feb-2023: The poster alongside, dated April 1939, is advertising an LNER excursion. Little did they know what was around the corner!

05-Feb-2023: Footpaths: The good news is that the public footpath from the Avenue road bridge, eastwards along the south bank of the river is now open again as far as the site of the washed-away bridge. Although not yet fully-opened as a through route, this does provide an additional short route for walking while we continue to wait for the replacement bridge. Our thanks to the

THE ALNE VILLAGE HALL QUIZ NIGHT



SATURDAY 4th February 7.00PM
THE ALL NEW QUIZ NIGHT
COME AND PIT YOUR WITS AGAINST
YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS
BAR AND REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
£3 ENTRY ON THE DOOR,
CHILDREN FREE



L.N.E.R

No. R.794

HALF-DAY EXCURSION

ALNE COXWOLD

Ampleforth Gilling Nunnington
Helmsley Nawton Kirbymoorside and
PICKERING

EASTER MONDAY

	3rd RETURN													
	Alne		Coxwold		Ampleforth		Gilling		Nunnington		Kirbymoorside		Pickering	
	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm	am	pm
LEEDS (City) dep	11 25	3 2	12 15	3 8	12 45	3 8	12 56	3 8	1 10	4 2	1 17	4 2	1 31	4 2
YORK ...	12 15	1 4	1 17	2 1	1 4	2 1	1 7	2 8	1 10	2 2	1 17	2 2	1 31	2 2
ALNE ..	12 30	—	—	1 4	—	1 4	—	1 7	—	2 1	—	2 8	—	3 2
COXWOLD ..	12 45	—	—	—	—	—	—	1 1	—	1 4	—	1 7	—	2 1
Arrival times	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm	pm

RETURN DEPARTURE TIMES

Pickering dep 7 20 pm	Gilling dep 8 0 pm	RETURN ARRIVAL TIMES
Kirbymoorside .. 7 30 pm	Ampleforth .. 8 5 pm	York arr 8 50 pm
Nawton .. 7 40 pm	Coxwold .. 8 15 pm	Leeds (City) .. 9 37 pm
Helmsley .. 7 45 pm	Alne .. 8 30 pm	
Nunnington .. 7 50 pm		

FOR HIKERS AND RAMBLERS—Passengers may travel to one station and return from another provided tickets are taken to the more distant station.
TICKETS CAN BE OBTAINED IN ADVANCE
Tickets, bills and all particulars can be obtained at the Stations, or from the usual Agencies.
Leeds tickets can also be obtained at Hornforth, Huddersley and Cross Gates Stations.

GET YOUR HOLIDAY HANDBOOK 6d
from L.N.E.R. Stations, Offices and Agencies
THE HERALD OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON

For further information apply to the District Passenger Managers at Leeds, Tel. 20615 and York, Tel. 2001 (Ext. 396).
Monthly Return Tickets are available by these trains
CONVOYS OR ISSUE
Day, Half-day and Evening tickets are issued subject to the conditions applicable to tickets of these descriptions as shown in the Company's time table.
Children under three years of age, Free; three years and under fourteen, Half-price.
For LOGGAGE ALLOWANCES see our time table.
LEEDS April 1939 206-Peter & Son Ltd Leeds-1000

landowner for clearing the path and assisting in its re-opening.

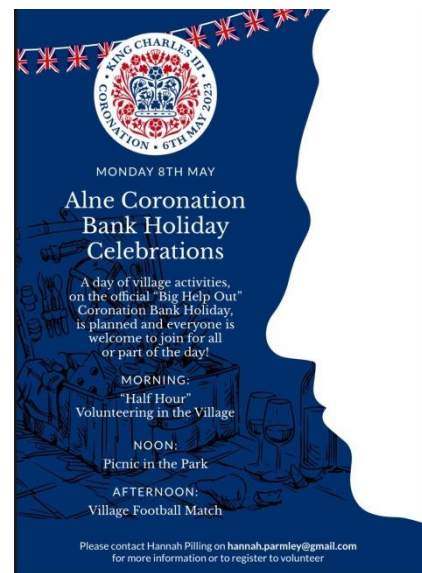
The bad news is that NYCC have closed the footpath to the east of the railway line. This is as a result of an inspection after a complaint received from a member of the public. The Alne pathkeeper group have been working on this route and had agreed with NYCC that the bridge be replaced in spring with a longer term project of a short diversion. Contact Colin Fletcher if you want to join the Alne Footpath Group and be involved in footpath and Public Right of Way improvements around the village. .

On the subject of the washed-away bridge, Alne Parish Council continues in close consultation with NYCC who have the responsibility of replacing it. The work of installing the bridge is being re-tendered in May and the latest information, direct from the NYCC Chief Executive himself, can be read by clicking here.

- 14-Feb-2023: Aldwark Bridge. Advance notice of a lengthy closure for major repair works from 17-April to 30-October 2023.
- 01-Mar-2023: Alne Tennis Club Junior Coaching at Easter. Any queries to Hannah Pilling on hannah.parmley@gmail.com
- 14-Mar-2023: You are reminded that coffee and snacks are available in St Mary's Church, Alne, on the first Tuesday of each month. A sort of pop-up Costa! See the poster alongside.
- 16-Mar-2023: Alne Open Gardens are looking for additional attractions such as musicians, games, crafts etc to add to the event on Sunday 25-June. Click here for details.
- 21-Mar-2023: Volunteers needed for Street Fayre Tombola on 11th. June. If anyone would like to help on the Tombola for just one hour during the afternoon, we would be very grateful! As this is one of the busiest attractions in the Fayre, we always need plenty of volunteers to run it. If you feel you can help out then please contact cmccrae100@yahoo.co.uk
- 27-Mar-2023: Read the April Parish Newsletter (in full colour) by clicking here.
- 14-Apr-2023: The footpath to the NE of Alne (across the railway line) has reopened with the installation of a temporary bridge. See 2nd paragraph in the item for 05-February below.

- 14-Apr-2023: Coronation Volunteering Day. See the poster alongside. Begin promptly at 10:00am at the Village Hall for the traditional Spring litterpick throughout the village. Then take part in all the other volunteering and family activities. Contact Hannah on hannah.parmley@gmail.com to register your interest to help.

- 17-Apr-2023: Post Box Collection Times. The collection times from the post box at the old Post Office have changed. If you want to guarantee catching the post on a weekday, you must post by 09:00. And the guaranteed deadline is 07:00 on a Saturday. Another example of Hutber's Law: "Improvement means deterioration"!



20-Apr-2023: The Alne Village Telephone Box Book Exchange is now open again. This project was initiated by Lottie Laycock in 2012 as part of her "Duke of Alne" project. The 2023 refurbishment has been carried out by two enthusiastic and committed volunteers to whom we owe great thanks. Funding has been provided by Alne Parish Council.



02-May-2023: Click on the Calendar page to see what events are happening in Alne on Coronation Monday.

03-May-2023: Alne Children! Click here for the Royal Crown Competition. Judging is on Coronation Monday, 08-May.

21-May-2023: Read the May Parish Newsletter (in full colour) by clicking here.

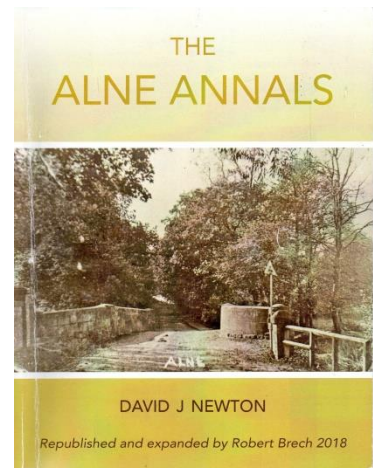
30-May-2023: Read the June Parish Newsletter (in full colour) by clicking here.

05-Jul-2023: Latest figures show that this website is getting an average of 70 hits per day, that is 25,000 a year.

05-Jul-2023: Read the July/August Parish newsletter (in full colour) by clicking here.

05-July-2023: A new edition of Alne Annals is planned in 2024.

Alne Annals is not a definitive history of Alne but is a collection of tales from many authors and many publications from many sources. It thus forms a fascinating insight into the village and parish of Alne over the years. First created by David Newton in 2002, it was updated in 2018 by Robert Brech with the addition of much new material. The 2018 edition sold out some while ago, however, and the 2024 edition will again include as much new information as we can gather.



Do you have interesting historical stories that should be included in this new edition? Do you have old postcards, photos or newspaper cuttings that haven't yet seen the light of day? Do you want to write something up for the new edition? If so, please contact Robert with all information, before the deadline of 30-September-2023, at 838265, 07724-185661 or brech28@btinternet.com

Also, if you would like to be put on the waiting list to ensure you don't miss out on getting a copy of the new 2024 edition in due course, please contact Robert as above.

25-Aug-2023 Alne Footpath Group

Good news for the village is that the missing bridge crossing the River Kyle and a key part of the Public Right of Way footpath to Tollerton will be replaced shortly. North Yorkshire Council have appointed contractors and they are expected to be on site in September to install the bridge - finally, after over 3 years. The bridge will re-open the footpath links to Tollerton with its local amenities and also re-enable circular walks from Alne and Tollerton alike. Big thanks to all who have

helped get to this point where reinstatement of our local Public Rights of Way is almost a reality.

If you would like more information and/or to get involved, please contact Parish Councillor Colin Fletcher at colin.j.fletcher@gmail.com

25-Aug-2023 Please support these two events, both taking place in Alne on Sunday 03-September. Details are also shown on the Calendar page in larger type (!)

26-Aug-2023: Alne Recreation Ground – Ideas for Improvement.

It is 23 years since the recreation ground was formally opened and since then it has been used and enjoyed by generations of Alne families. After so many years it must be accepted that the area as a whole is in need of 'refreshment'. As a consequence, Alne Parish Leisure Association (APLA) are undertaking a review of the area with the purpose of seeing what improvements might be made, what activities might be added (or removed) and how the quality of the area might be enhanced.

As part of this review, APLA is keen to get the views of residents and users about what they see as priorities for improvements and how the ground might continue to reflect their needs. Comments about what works and what is successful would also be welcome.

As a reminder the area currently supports the following facilities:

3 Tennis Courts; A children's playground; A Multi-use Games Area; A small skateboard park; A BMX trail (in disrepair); An orchard area; A large grassed area that is used for football & other ball games. And of course, it is a significant part of the Annual Alne Street Fayre.

If you would like to comment, criticise or suggest improvements please e-mail or just drop a note to:

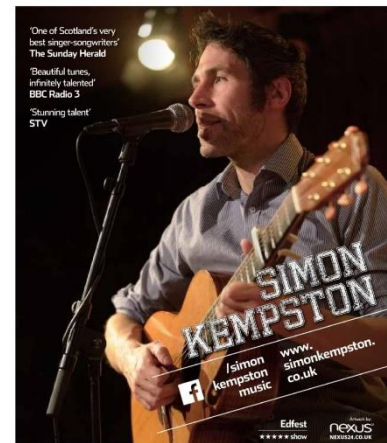
Ian McCrae. e-mail: mccrae500@yahoo.co.uk Address: Spring Cottage, Main Street. Contributions by 12th September please.

26-Aug-2023: Click here to read the September Parish newsletter (in full colour!)

22-Sep-2023: See the Alne Annals item above for 05-July. We are still looking for new historical information. Or do you have a postcard collection which Robert could look at and see if there are new views and/or insights which could be used in the new 2024 edition. If so, please contact Robert on 07724-185661 or brech28@btinternet.com

04-Oct-2023: See the poster below for the Alne WI Jumble Sale

Alne Music Club Concert Sunday 3rd September at 7.30pm



Tickets £12 <https://buytickets.at/alnemusicclub/951081>

To reserve seats for cash in advance locally 01347 838 114

Or £14 On The Door. Doors open 7pm with bar available.

David Lepper Promoter d.lepper27@btinternet.com

ALNE CRICKET CLUB

COMPETING FOR THE PETER PINK TROPHY

PAST XI

v

PRESENT XI

SUNDAY, 3RD SEPTEMBER 2023

FROM 1.00PM

BBQ - BAR - CAKES

FUNDRAISING RAFFLE £1.00 per ticket

Prizes can be donated on or prior to the day.
If you would like tickets but cannot attend then email pat@apla.com to arrange for online purchase of tickets up to 2nd September 2023 (Prizes to be collected)

Please support this fun event by attending and enjoying yourselves

**Alne WI
Jumble Sale**

**14th October 2023
Alne Village Hall
12 to 3 pm
Admission 50pence**

Donations of Jumble will be very welcome.
Please drop jumble off at the village hall at 6pm on Friday 13th October and between 10am and 11am on Saturday 14th October

04-Oct-2023 Click here to see the October Parish Newsletter (in full colour!)

21-Oct-2023: The footings are in for the new footbridge across the River Kyle. See the photo below.

21-Oct-2023: Whiteley's Home Farm café remains open daily (except Tuesdays) until 31-October,

WREATH-MAKING WORKSHOP
HOSTED BY RENOWNED FLORIST
SUSIE HART

All profits going towards
Bridlington Children's Centre

Join us at the Village Hall
Friday 1st December
at 7pm

Tickets £60, materials and festive fizz included - email
hannah.parmley@gmail.com

**WHITELEY'S
HOME FARM**

**VILLAGE
CAFE & SHOP**

We would like to thank all of our lovely cafe customers for their support during our first year. We remain open every day, apart from Tuesday, until 31st October.

Our Winter opening days, between 1st November and 21st March, will once again be Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 9am-3.30pm.

For enquiries and information, please see:
Whiteley's Home Farm Cafe | whiteleys_at_homefarm_alne

Or contact us on:
01347838722 | enquiries@homefarmalne.co.uk

From 01-November, the cafe is open on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 9:00am to 3:30pm. See the poster..

23-Oct-2023: North Yorkshire Council advise that they hope Aldwark Bridge will re-open by the end of December.

26-Oct-2023: With effect from Monday 06-November, all the Reliance Sunday bus services and the Friday late night bus back from York are being terminated,



30-Oct-2023: Click here to see the November Parish newsletter (in full colour!)

30-Oct-2023: Alne Recreation Ground – Update

Thank you to all those who responded to the consultation in the summer about possible improvements to the Recreation Ground. This is an update on developments since then. At their meeting in October the APLA Trustees agreed a report on immediate and future development for the Ground. They allocated an initial spend of around £16,000 to try to get some immediate work done for improvements. The biggest priority is the Play Area which will get a new 'Bee Springer' for toddlers as well as new seats for the seesaw. The ZIP Wire is to have a total makeover and the ship will get a new woodchip cushion fall surface to replace the existing grass and very muddy floor. The Carousel will get a new safety pad around its perimeter. The Musical Chime, which sadly passed away in the summer, will be replaced and the sand pit will be made bigger so that 3 or 4 children can play together. The Trim Trail will get new tyres as their treads are well below the legal limit! We are hoping to get some volunteers to help to put preservative on the wooden equipment. Some of the most urgent work is scheduled to start w/b 13th November.

In other news, we are getting a Tree Surgeon to start the process of tidying up the Orchard Area and may be looking for volunteers soon to help with the less specialised jobs! The existing rabbit fences will be repaired so hopefully fewer holes in the field.

Alne Parish Council have agreed a grant of £8,500 to support the remedial work and County Councillor Nigel Knapton has agreed to put in a further £1,000 from his NYC locality budget to help with the work on the Orchard. Many thanks to both.


The Trustees also agreed priorities for more major projects and detail about these will soon be publicised. If anyone would like more information, or wants to join a volunteer list, or just wants to sound off, then contact Ian McCrae at mccrae500@yahoo.co.uk



05-Nov-2023: The antepenultimate Alne Sunday bus is pictured on the right. The 15:45 out of York approaches Alne at 16:10 en route to Easingwold. After today, Sunday buses in Alne will only be a distant memory. See the item for 26-October.

05-Nov-2023: Please be aware of the Home Library and Information Service, run by Easingwold Community Library. Books, DVDs and audio items can be delivered to your door. See the poster on the right.

If you find it difficult to get to the Library, why not try our...



Home Library and Information Service

Our team of friendly volunteers will deliver library items right to your door fortnightly.

Books
Audio books

Movies on DVD
Large print books

Contact the Library for a home visit to talk about your reading, listening and watching preferences.

Telephone: 01609 534584
Email: ecf.generalenquiries@gmail.com
www.easingwoldcommunitylibrary.com

18-Nov-2023: I have come across the report of the court case following the serious accident at Alne Cross on Good Friday this year. To read it, click here. [Thanks to Youlton Parish]



Easingwold Community Library
Market Square YO61 3AN
Registered charity No 110109
In Partnership with 

23-Nov-2023: Click here to read the December/January Parish Newsletter (in full colour!).

23-Nov-2023: The end of January is the last chance to add your historical information to the 2024 edition of Alne Annals. See the item for 05-July below. Do you have a postcard or photo collection which Robert could look at and see if there are new views and/or insights which could be used. Or interesting histories of your grandparents or house in Alne? If so, please contact Robert on 07724-185661 or brech28@btinternet.com



ALNE VILLAGE HALL 2023 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS & MINI MARKET

COME AND CELEBRATE THE START OF THE FESTIVE SEASON WITH THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS "BIG SWITCH ON" AT 6.00PM

INDOOR CHRISTMAS MARKET STALLS FROM ALNE BUSINESSES

CHRISTMAS CAROLS • HOT CHOCOLATE • MINCE PIES • MULLED WINE

9TH DECEMBER FROM 5-7PM

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE - WIN A HOST OF GREAT PRIZES

ALL MONY DONATED BY ALNE VILLAGE BUSINESSES

10-Dec-2023 Alne Recreation Ground – Update

APLA is delighted to announce confirmation of two grants to assist with our planned refurbishment programme at the Recreation Ground. The first is for the sum of £20,000 from the National Lottery Community Fund towards the cost of a "Net Spider" which is planned to be the next new item on the Alne playground. This means that the project can definitely go ahead as we have sufficient APLA funds to make up the difference. The Playground Group will be choosing a preferred design in January and we hope to commence work in the Spring. Our thanks to National Lottery for putting their faith in us. The second is for the sum of £10,000 from the Friends of St Monica's Hospital (FOSMH) towards the Perimeter Track/Outdoor Gym programme. Work is ongoing to finalise a design and to secure further funding from other agencies to make this programme viable. We are extremely grateful to FOSMH for this very generous contribution.



We are keen to involve as many people as possible in the refurbishment programme so if you wish to participate in any capacity please get in touch with Ian McCrae at mccrae500@yahoo.co.uk

APLA is also very pleased to welcome Bessie Bee to the Recreation Ground Play Area. See photo above. She is a replacement for the broken springer that sadly died some while ago. We hope that she will soon become a firm favourite for the very young members of the Alne family. We have also managed to make the Zip Wire safe with a new wire and a non-slip surface on the ramp so that is now open. The Carousel is surrounded by a new safety mat and the Pirate Ship has bright new climbers. All ready to use as soon as the rain stops! Enjoy!

18-Dec-2023: Latest information is that both Aldwark Bridge and the Alne footbridge over the Kyle will re-open by the end of January.



Alne Singers
Christmas Concert

14th December - 7.30 pm
Alne Village Hall

Raffle
Christmas Carols
Festive refreshments

A festive graphic featuring a decorated Christmas tree with red and gold ornaments, a gold star on top, and several wrapped gifts in red, white, and green paper at the base.

FREE Entry
Retiring collection for York homeless charity HOPING

A solid red horizontal bar containing white text.