

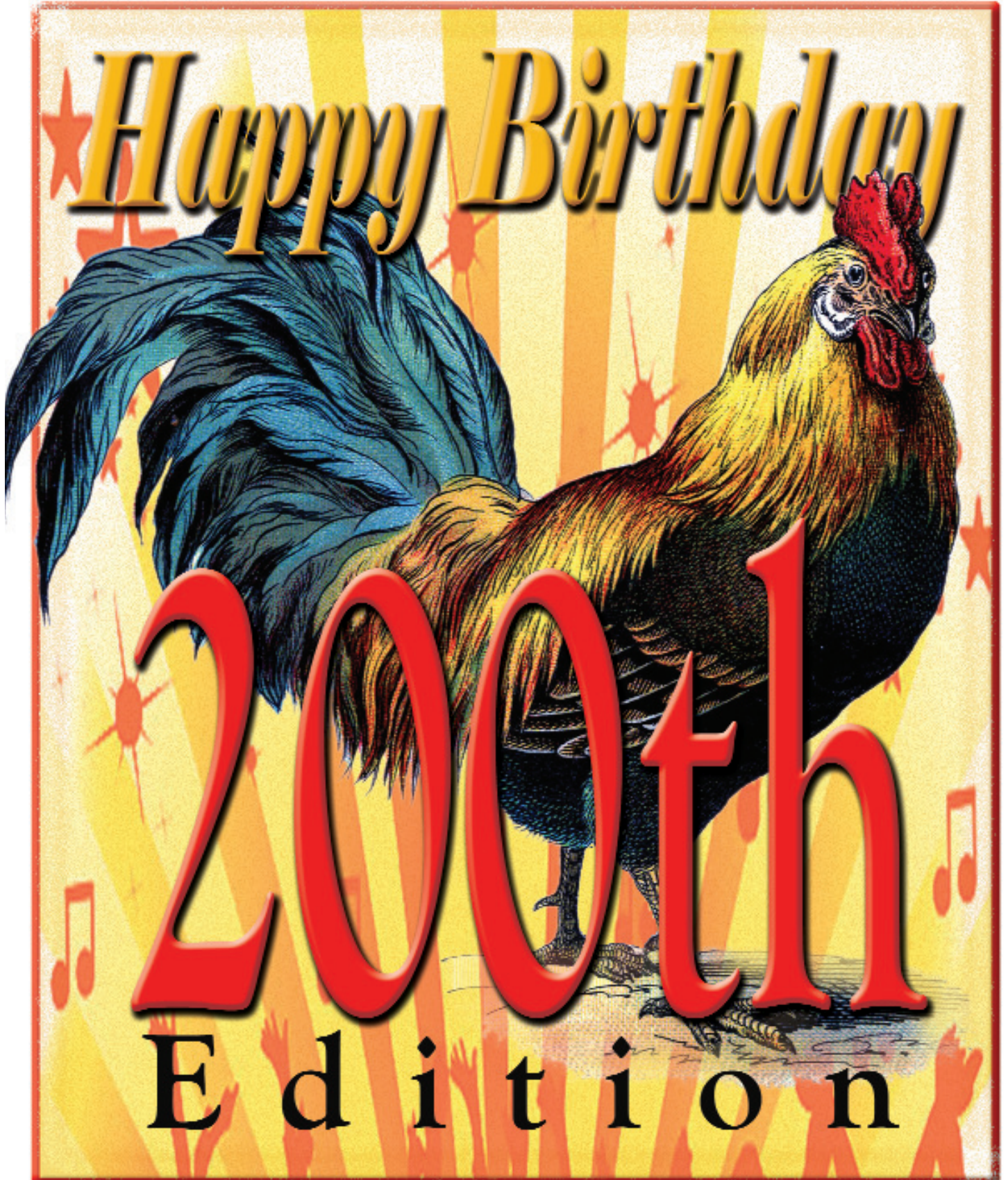


Rooster

The Roos Parish Newsletter

March 2012

Number 200





A message from *Leslie Helliwell*

"It gives me great personal satisfaction to welcome this 200th issue of The Rooster."

I little thought when I concocted the first newsletter in September 1985 (on a portable typewriter with copies made on a Roneo duplicator) that it would survive for so long.

Congratulations to the current Committee. May they go on from strength to strength. And, as the years roll by, may new recruits pick up the baton to serve in an endless relay.

Long live The Rooster ... to the 300th issue and beyond".

Leslie Helliwell



A facsimile of the first Rooster in 1985

Lavender anniversaries

For this 200th edition, and with anniversaries in mind I have selected recipes from Baroness Thatcher's 10th anniversary weekend at Chequers. The lamb dish was a regular feature on menus during the 1980's around the time when the Rooster was launched. Bulgar wheat can replace the usual breadcrumbs for a lighter and different textured stuffing. At this time of year rhubarb is starting to arrive in the shops and was again very popular with all our guests. This 1980's cheesecake is a little different in that it uses cottage cheese, and the brown sugar gives it a wonderful deep taste. It is particularly lovely served with some fresh strawberries dusted with a little black pepper.



Roast Leg of Lamb with a Caper Lemon & Garlic Stuffing

1 boned leg of lamb
Salt and Pepper
50gm Bulgar wheat
125ml vegetable stock
1 x 30gm can of Anchovies in Olive Oil,
finely chopped



2 crushed cloves of

garlic
1 lemon - rind and juice
1 tablespoon of chopped capers
1 teaspoon chopped parsley

1. Cook the Bulgar wheat in vegetable stock until soft.
2. Add the other ingredients including the olive oil from the anchovies.
3. Stuff the lamb with the mixture and tie up carefully.
3. Season the lamb and cook on a bed of rosemary until slightly pink, about 20 minutes per pound in weight of the joint.
4. Allow to rest for at least 20 minutes and serve with a selection of roasted vegetables and roast gravy.

Rhubarb Cheesecake

250gm digestive biscuits
100gm butter
220gm rhubarb cut into small pieces
115gm soft brown sugar
Juice and grated rind of 1 lemon

3 Leaves of gelatine (soaked in cold water)

250gm cottage cheese

350ml whipping cream

This will make enough for an 8inch cake tin.

1. Crush the biscuits and mix with the melted butter and press into the base of the cake tin (you can vary the taste



by using some ginger biscuits or even by a little diced stem ginger to the mix).

2. Melt the sugar carefully in a thick bottomed pan and add the rhubarb. Cook carefully until the mix is completely soft and the excess liquid has boiled away.
3. Add the soaked gelatine and the lemon rind and juice.
4. Liquidise with the cottage cheese and when cooled fold in the lightly whipped cream, place onto the biscuit base and chill prior to serving.
5. Serve with a compote of finely diced rhubarb drizzled over the top.



Time to start getting the bunting ready

Planning arrangements for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations, to be held on June 2nd, are speeding up. The meeting held in the Memorial Institute on 6th March confirmed that many of the essential formal and legal requirements necessary for the Village Street Party were nearing completion.

Arrangements for the Evening Dance at the Playing Field and the WI Senior Citizens party in the Memorial Institute are also well underway. Soon a 'Flyer' giving more information will be posted through letter boxes.

Volunteers with offers of help are always welcome.

So come along to the next planning meeting to be held on

**Thursday 19th
April at 7.30pm in
the Black Horse.**



The RES Roos Parish

Pre-Construction Fund.

The first Annual Review was held on Monday 19th February at Roos Playing Field Pavilion. Cllr. Jackie Cracknell (Chair) received apologies from Cllr. Richard Stead and Cllr. Keith Tyson. Also present were ERYC Ward Councillor Arthur Hodgson, three representatives of RES and three members of the public.

It was reported that the following grants were awarded from the £5000 available:

- Roos and District Horticultural Society £1000 to replace the roof of the Summer Show marquee;
- Roos Cricket Club £1000 to purchase a roller;
- All Saints Bell Ringers £1000 to purchase new bell ropes;
- Roos Memorial Institute £875 for loft insulation;
- Eastfield Estate and Pilmar Lane Residents Association £699 to purchase a new cooker.

£426 is carried forward making a total of £5426 available for bids during the coming year. Applications Invited: Projects costing up to £1000 will be considered. Previous applicants may re-apply but not for the same project. See below for full details of how to make an application.

It was agreed to seek clarification of the funding arrangements under Section 106 of the Planning Permission Approval.

RES technical representatives confirmed that:

- road building work had now commenced, working hours normally Monday to Friday 8.00am and 6.00pm;
- archaeology and water quality monitoring experts were now on site;
- whilst much of the work was being undertaken by approved contractors, local labour would be employed where appropriate;
- local businesses were benefiting from increased passing trade;
- the alterations made to the alignment of the roads to permit passage of long vehicles would be reinstated upon completion of the project.

In response to questions it was confirmed that the anemometer masts were for gathering performance data and that Conditions imposed as part of the Planning Approval are monitored by ERYC. It was agreed that RES would provide an update every two weeks and provide a Schedule of Works.

RES Community Fund Applications

Deadline for submission of Applications

2nd April 2012

Award Panel Meeting.

17th April 2012

**For further information please contact. Karen Wood, Rural Communities Officer, East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Room JS129, County Hall, Cross Street, Beverley, HU17 9BA Telephone: 01482 391706
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**Roos & South
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Our local community choir is going from strength to strength. Several new people have joined us since Christmas and we now have in excess of 30 members.

The Co-operative Society generously gave us a grant of £480 with which to purchase some new music. Sally Roper, our choir leader has chosen a wide ranging repertoire - there is something for everyone.

We have space for a few more singers if anyone else would like to join us. It is not necessary to be able to read music and we do not hold auditions.

Rehearsals are held on Thursdays from 7 - 9pm in the Roos Memorial Institute.

Contact Helen Audley (01964 670895) or Sally Roper 01482 890723 for further details

Piano Wanted

We are hoping to purchase a good quality, reasonably modern piano for the Roos Memorial Institute. If anyone knows of one which might be suitable we would be grateful if they could get in touch.



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Saturday 7th April 10.00am - 1.00pm, starting from
Roos Memorial Institute.

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Easter Egg Hunt

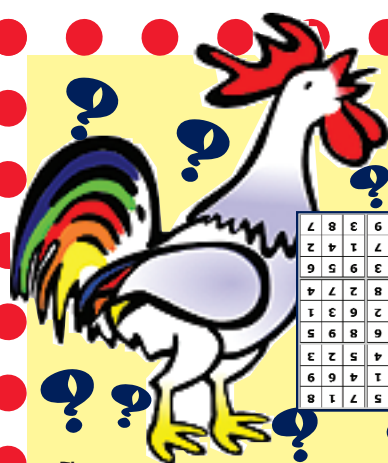
Come along and join us for a morning of hunting! Follow the clues to find the fantastic Easter eggs hidden throughout the village. The eggs have been especially decorated by the children of ROOS CE Primary School.

Entry is £2.00* each entrant will receive a mini chocolate treat. If you complete the hunt you will be entered into the prize draw with a chance to win a special Easter Surprise!

If you are not the hunting type please come along and support the event as there will be refreshments and stalls in the Institute throughout the morning. So come and treat yourself to an Easter bun!

We look forward to seeing you there.

**All proceeds directly benefit the children of Roos Primary School.*



PUZZLE CORNER

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Answers for this puzzle are above, don't cheat!

DOT TO DOT PUZZLE

Join the dots then colour



Windpower in Roos? *What's New!*



In common with several neighbouring villages, e.g. Burton Pidsea and Garton, in the 1800's Roos had its own working mill and this 'handsome chap' was the last post mill on the site at Westfield (immediately opposite Pinfold Lane, previously known as Mill Lane)

The post mill superseded earlier mills on the same site which appear to have had a catalogue of disasters over the years when one mill was burnt down and an accident in an earlier mill occurred when its miller's arm was severely injured as he was checking the cogs of one of the wheels. This poor man was called Joseph Ellerby and the year was 1809. A small entry in The Times on Thursday, 23rd November 1809 read as follows: 'Last Saturday, 18th November 1809, as

Joseph Ellerby was checking the cogs of one of the wheels of a windmill in Roos, in Yorkshire, he was caught by another and dreadfully mangled. An arm was broken in two places above and below the elbow, which was also shattered very much'. Mr Ellerby remained at the mill until his retirement in 1835.

Production was carried on under the watchful eyes of Thomas Rowntree and later, William Bottrell, who was tenant miller from 1846. Because the old post mill had only one pair of stones and outdated plain sails, it was unable to compete with the modern tower mills running three pair of stones and having patent spring or roller sails so Mr G K Boyd built a new five storey tower mill half way down Westfield. It was complete and ready for work by 1852 and then the old mill became redundant and the new mill put into full production. The mill was a fine looking building with ground and four upper floors, topped with a Lincolnshire cap and finial. It worked two pairs of French burr stones to produce flour and one pair of grey stones to grind chimpings, (which was a rough ground oatmeal). By 1874 the mill had auxiliary steam drive, new engine house and a pair of Oat rollers. Mr Boyd owned the mill until his death in 1900.



When the Mill was demolished (about 1914) explosives were used to fell the tower but it is reported that Dr Woodhouse of Roos, had the cap carefully removed beforehand to be used as a summer house in his garden at Eastfield and part of the playground wall of the old school was constructed using bricks from the demolished tower. The land at Westfield, now called Millfield, has been in the ownership of the Burn Family since 1923 and Jean Keatings (the daughter of Charlie and Doris Burn) still lives at 'Millfield Bungalow'. The Rooster is grateful to her for supplying some of the above information.

Owners and Tenants:

		From	To
GK Boyd	Owner	1852	1900
Tate & Stamford	Tenants	1852	1855
Samuel Woodhouse	Tenant	1858	1872
David Andrew	Tenant	1878	
Henry Grantham Fewster	Tenant	1892	1900
Henry Grantham Fewster	Owner	1900	1913

Joyous News

Roos Bells Report



Some of the Roos and District Bell Ringers reading the letter from the Archbishop.

L to R: Susan Fenner, Helen Audley, Keith Fenner, Diane Lavender, Sue McWilliams, Peter Cook.

It is understood that the Archbishop of York, The Most Reverend & Right Honourable Dr. John Sentamu, will conduct the Service of Dedication for the bells for All Saints Church, Roos on Sunday 23rd September at 2.00pm. It will be followed by a traditional afternoon tea in Roos Memorial Institute.

This historic event is the outcome of a letter sent by Churchwarden, John McWilliams to the Archbishop of York, telling of the achievements of the Roos and District Bell Ringers and their Bell Appeal. In reply Dr Sentamu wrote "It is clear from your letter how much hard work has gone into the

fundraising for this bell, and I would be delighted to visit All Saints to help celebrate this achievement and dedicate the bell."

As Helen Audley says "this news is a tremendous honour for the parish".

Post script. The Rooster has learned that John McWilliams is currently showing a piece of stained glass art work in the Open Exhibition at the Ferens Art Gallery. The exhibition runs until 15th April 2012.



The recently cast Roos Treble Bell suspended in the factory of J Taylor (Loughborough).

57th Spring Show

Roos & District Horticultural Society

Preparations are well underway for the Roos and District Horticultural Society's 57th Spring Show to be held on Saturday April 14th in the Memorial Institute, Roos. Show Schedules are now available from Mrs J. Grant Tel: 01964 67057 and from the local shops.



This year the Schedule and an Application form may be downloaded from the Roos website - roosparish.info

There are Classes for Spring flowers, plants and bulbs, floral art, fruit and vegetables, eggs and photography, as well as the usual children's Classes which include flower arranging, making a model from junk, paintings, cookery and a photograph of a village scene.

The Show opens at 2.00pm followed at 3.00pm by the presentation of the Cups and Rosettes by Cheryl Pipes of the Withernsea Gazette.

We hope you will come and support the only Spring Show in the area.



The Storrs of Hilston

Sometimes local landmarks become so familiar an aspect of our landscape that we take very little notice of them.

One such landmark is Admiral Storr's Tower. Interest was aroused by the memorial tablets installed on the walls of Hilston Church and an overgrown grave in the churchyard. This triggered further web based research. The trail has led from Poulson's History of Holderness onto Westminster Abbey and Government Admiralty records.

A story began to emerge not least because of some youthful recollections of reading many of the heroic stories of C.S. Forester about Horatio Hornblower!

Please remember that this is an account for a parish newsletter. It does not pretend to be serious academic research and should not be treated as such. So whilst we have made every effort to be as accurate as possible in our use of readily available information readers may wish to check for themselves by looking at the website links provided.

Admiral Storr's Tower Listed Building Grade II

It stands on a slight rise, in the middle of a field just to the north of Hilston. The Conservation Area of Hilston has been stretched in a curious way to incorporate it.

If accounts from documents are to be believed, it has served as both a hospital for troops stationed on the cliff top near Sand le Mere and as a watchtower looking out to sea.

One might think that this was during WW 2, but no - it was around 250 years

earlier during the Seven Years War between 1756 and 1763. It was 'business as usual' in Europe with various nations jostling for position and supremacy. At one point the French were believed to be



Over the doorway are the arms of Mr Storr carved on a stone-party pe fess, 3 storks proper-with the date of its erection



sailing north to join forces with the Dutch Fleet and it was thought that an invasion along the low lying cliffs of Holderness was a real possibility, just as it was in WW2.

It was during the uneasy years immediately before the war that Joseph Storr built the tower in 1750. It was over a hundred years later in 1852, 30 years after his death, that it was named after his son, Rear Admiral John Storr, now of course popularly known as Admiral Storr's Tower! The 3 storey brick tower is 50ft high and octagonal in shape. It is built in Flemish bond style with some stone dressing. There is a stone carved coat of arms with a date located above the doorway. It now lies largely derelict with only the birds wheeling around for company. The floors, if not fully collapsed are unsafe and the original window openings have been bricked up. It presents a sad sight.

However, there may be some hope. The land on which the tower now stands is in the ownership of E.On UK who are understood to be conducting an appraisal of its structural condition in order to determine what remedial action should be taken.

The Storr Family

The STORR Families were well known throughout Yorkshire. However, a branch of the family - the Storrs of Hilston are described in Poulson's History of Holderness. Many members of the family were buried and are remembered by memorial stones in Hilston Church, including an elder brother Joseph, who was a vicar of Easington. Justice of the Peace, Joseph Storr Esq., who built the tower was buried in April 1753.

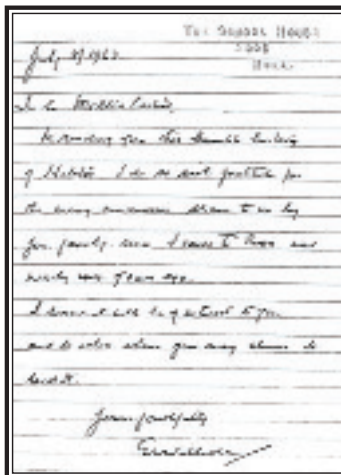
By all accounts they were a wealthy family. In his will, he left his house in Bedford Square, London to his wife, together with his manors and lands in Fitling, Burton Pidsea, Garton, Hilston and Humbleton, Patrington, Outhorne, Oustwick and Tunstall. He also left documents which describe the succession of various properties of the estate from 1614 from one family to the next. There was a Storrs Hall in 1720, later demolished in 1820. A grooms cottage enlarged after the demolition is believed to be



the present Mount Farm and Hilston Cottage may also originate from the Storr family. In more recent times it was transferred to William Grant (Paull) Ltd in 1980 and now it is believed to be in the ownership of E.On UK.

Mr & Mrs Westmorland of Mount Farm have kindly provided further information. They are custodians of two charming pencil and monochrome sketches dating from around 1860. They depict female descendants of Admiral Storr seated at the window of the kitchen cum living room.

They also have in their possession a photocopy of a short hand written letter from Wilbraham. The letter is to accompany a photocopy of his "History of Hilston" written about the same time as his "History of Roos", extracts of which have been published in earlier Roosters.



A transcription of the above mentioned letter, see left:

THE SCHOOL HOUSE
ROOS
HULL

July 8/1963

To The Maltas Ladies

Im sending you this humble history of Hilston I do so with gratitude for the many kindnesses shown to me by your family, since I came to Roos now nearly 44 years ago.

I know it will be of interest to you and others whom you may choose to lend it.

Yours faithfully,
G. W. Wilbraham

For further details. <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/report.aspx?compid=16128>

'Middle division: Hilston', A History of the County of York East Riding: Volume 7: Holderness Wapentake, Middle and North Divisions (2002), pp. 50-55.

The story is to be continued next month....

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On the beach



This rig, presently beached at Tunstall has been visible far out at sea for some time.

It is reasonable to assume that it is currently working on the Westernmost Rough Offshore Windfarm soon to be built just 8kms off the Holderness Coast. Fugor Seacore is a specialist overwater marine drilling contractor, whose work involves the installation of foundations for offshore wind turbines, meteorological masts and similar projects.

link to the Company involved is: <http://www.seacore.com/>

The Rooster Association AGM

Preliminary discussion

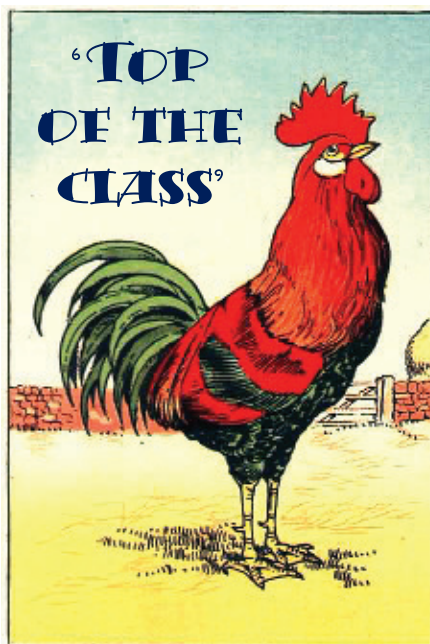
The Rooster Association Committee was very gratified when twenty members gathered in the Black Horse, on 28th February 2012 for the AGM. The Chairman, Willis Ainley, welcomed members and described arrangements for the evening. This would provide for informal discussions to give opportunity for an exchange of ideas and for suggestions to be made to improve The Rooster. This would be followed by the AGM proper. Members were invited to take refreshments if required.

By way of introduction, the Chairman described developments since the Extraordinary meeting of March 2011 when it had been proposed that publication of The Rooster cease and the affairs of the Association be wound up. It had been a steep learning curve for everybody but helped enormously by the expertise of a professional graphic designer. Particular attention was drawn to the visually stimulating colour version produced for the website - roosparish.info.

This version is being distributed to an increasing number of members who wish to receive it in this form. It was noted that the next issue would be the 200th! It had been going since 1985.

Members present were fulsome in their appreciation of the professionally high quality of the current publication, not least Leslie Helliwell, its founding editor.

It was suggested that the return of the Children's Page would be welcomed and for it to become a regular feature once more. However, regret was expressed that the Minutes of Parish Council Meeting were not published until they had been formally approved by the Council. By the time protocol allowed them to be published they were over a month late!



Thanks were expressed to Steve Pearson (Secretary) who was standing down due to a change in work commitments.

The AGM

Minutes of the Extra-ordinary meeting of 15th March 2011.

These were accepted as a true record

Matters Arising

Constitution - A change and clarification of the section concerning 'Dissolution' was discussed.

It was agreed that the final sentence of the paragraph should be changed to:

"In the event of the dissolution of the Association the Committee shall transfer any remaining funds into a sub-account of Roos Parish Council. The fund is to be

retained by the Parish Council, until such time as a new legally constituted Rooster Association is established with the aim of producing a parish newsletter. If after a period of five years no new Association has been established then Roos Parish Council may allocate funds at its discretion".

Treasurers Report

The Treasurer said that the cash balance for the coming year was £2260.68, slightly higher than in 2011. However, it was noted that the March and September issue of The Rooster had not been published and that some costs incurred in its production had not been claimed. In response to a question the item Extraordinary Payments was identified as being donations made by The Black Horse Harvest Auction and Roos Bingo.

The Advertising Officer expressed thanks to the 'volunteer deliverers' of the Rooster.

Election of Officers

As there were no new nominations the Chair, (Willis Ainley), Vice Chair, (Sheila Tyson), and Treasurer (Ken Cross) were re-elected.

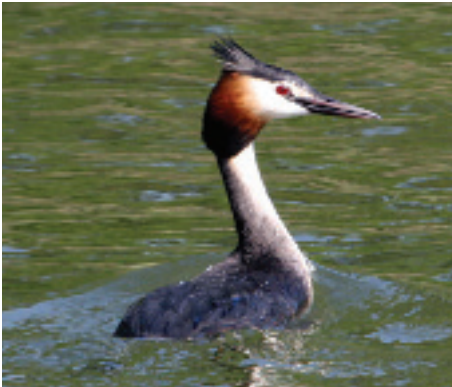
The Secretary, (Steve Pearson) was not standing for re-election due to work commitments.

Subsequently, Helen Lawson was proposed as Secretary by Keith Tyson and Seconded by Cherie Blenkin, and duly elected.

Further members were elected to serve as follows, Jo Ainley, Cherie Blenkin, Liz Earle, Christine Midgley, Emma Walker and Ricky Walker.

In conclusion the former Chairman Alec Dodson expressed his appreciation and congratulated the committee on a highly successful year.

Birding with Flowers



Great Crested Grebe

March should be a good time to witness one of the most elaborate courtship displays of any British bird - that of the Great Crested Grebe. It culminates in the extraordinary moment when both birds emerge with waterweed in their bills & appear to offer it to each other, as they walk on water! Great Crested Grebes require large ponds on which to breed, so you may have to travel to Kelsey Gardens in Burstwick, or North Cave Wetlands if you wish to witness this courtship dance for yourself. There are now thought to be about 9,400 pairs of these beautiful, elegant birds in the UK, so it is shocking to learn that they were almost wiped out in Victorian times, when their fine, downy feathers were prized for elaborate, fashionable hats. Appalled by this slaughter, a group of women were

eventually successful in stopping this trade; and their organizational skills led to the formation of what is now known as the RSPB!

The Red Kite was once a common scavenger on the streets of London, but persecution of many birds of prey meant that by the early twentieth-century it was reduced to a few pairs in Wales. In 1999 a successful reintroduction programme



Red Kite

began on the Harewood estate in West Yorkshire, and now Kites can be a fairly common sight in parts of East Yorkshire. The Red Kite is a magnificent bird of prey - easily identified by its rusty-red forked tail and long, slender wings. In March it performs aerobatic courtship flights, which it accomplishes by a mere flick of a wing, or a slight movement of its tail! Those monitoring Red Kites locally are expecting them to move away from their traditional nesting sites on the Wolds, and are asking for any reports of pairs or those seen carrying nesting material in new areas. Please send any such information to www.yorkshireredkites.net Kites feed almost exclusively on carrion, and local kites have even been observed catching emerging craneflies, and so are not a serious threat to gamebirds.

This month some returning Spring migrants should be spotted for the first time. Chiffchaffs can be heard singing in mature trees, and Wheatears with their distinctive white rumps may be found for a few days perched on rocks, or can turn up in Paddocks before they head to higher ground where they will breed. Another early bird to return is the Sand Martin. They generally arrive back before their close relatives the Swallow, and the much later House Martin. Sand Martins are the smallest members of the Swallow family, and will first gather over water where they will fatten up on insects after



Sand Martin

the long migration from Africa. Soon they will return to the crumbling sandy cliffs of the Holderness coastline. They excavate a short tunnel of between 40 and 100 cm where they may rear 2 broods of youngsters over the length of a good summer. Individual tunnels may be found along the East Yorkshire coast, but the biggest local colony of nearly 50 birds can be seen at Barmston, south of Bridlington.

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March 18	9.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Mattins
	11.00	Roos	Holy Communion
	15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion
March 25	9.30	Roos	Holy Communion
	15.00	Garton	Evensong
April 1 Palm Sunday all services with distribution of palms.			
	8.30	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Holy communion
	10.30	Roos	Morning Worship
April 2 Monday in Holy Week			
	10.00	Roos	Holy Communion
April 3 Tuesday in Holy Week			
	10.00	Roos	Holy Communion
April 4 Wednesday in Holy Week			
	19.30	Tunstall	Holy Communion
April 5 Maundy Thursday			
	19.30	Roos	Holy Communion
<i>The Last Supper followed by optional Gethsemane Watch until midnight; come and go as you please.</i>			
April 6 Good Friday			
	9.00	Tunstall	Mattins
	19.30	Roos	Liturgy of the Day
<i>A special service for Good Friday</i>			
April 7 Easter Eve			
	20.30	Roos	
<i>Easter Vigil ceremonies and First Communion of Easter (total length about 75 minutes)</i>			
April 8 Easter Day			
	8.30	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Holy Communion
	15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion
April 15	9.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion
	9.30	Garton	Mattins
	11.00	Roos	Holy Communion
	15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion

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Rooster DeadLine..

The Deadline for the April issue is Friday 13th April. So be very very careful!

Save your eggs for the right day



When my father was relatively young he had a bakery and he told the tale about starting to bake Hot Cross Buns on Maundy Thursday, and crossing through the night so that there would be enough for Good Friday, the only day on which they were for sale. Now, we can have them all year long. Just as we can have Easter eggs in February, and Christmas carols in November. I think this means we're missing out. How can anything be special if we can always have it? How can anything make us suddenly think when it's there all the time?

With the services we have in Roos this year, we will practically be re-enacting what happened during that first Holy Week, with the first Last Supper, the bleakness of the Crucifixion, the emptiness of Holy Saturday, and the restoration of life on Easter Eve, as during that most holy night death is vanquished and Jesus is resurrected. I am sure it becomes more real, more personal if we take part in it all, and not just the 'nice' bits. Easter Day is special, different, unique. Let's try and restore some of that specialness. Save your eggs for the right day!

Rev'd Canon Stephen Cope

theWI INSPIRING WOMEN

It was 'full house' for the March meeting when the President, Dot Walker, welcomed members and 10 guests. The meeting opened with a glass of wine and a toast to Sylvia Turner on her birthday. Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated and confirmed as a true record. Several matters arising were discussed and it was noted that the 'Golf Taster' session planned had been postponed until a later date. A questionnaire had been prepared and given to all members to complete with their suggestions as to how the W.I. can move forward in the future. Members were urged to return the completed form by the end of March. The Federation Chair's message was read out and it was noted that the Spring Meeting would be held on 21st April.

An appeal to members to assist with the Jubilee Luncheon was made. This will be held on Saturday 2nd June. Other forthcoming items were 'on the board' or printed out for all members to note.

Dot introduced our speaker for the evening, Katrina Gardner, who, as a victim of the drug Thalidomide given to pregnant ladies in the late 1950's and early 1960's, has a disability which in no way prevents her enjoying an extremely full life. She is a very busy Mum to 4 children, all of whom have their own special interests which involve her time and support. She is soon to be a grandmother and looking forward to the event! She is a member of the Mouth and Foot Organisation who paint pictures which are sold for the charity and her own particular talent as an artist shows her determination to achieve her full potential. Members were enthralled to watch her skill in painting a picture using her feet.

The competition for a favourite picture was won by 1. Pat Brown, 2. Joy Moate, 3. Sandra Kettle and Flower of the Month won by Ann Caulfield.



The speaker next month is a dancer and former TV 'Topper Girl' and the competition will be an Easter Bonnet.

South Holderness Medical Practice

Gillian Black and Julie Withey have recently been appointed managers at the Practice. Gillian is the Practice Manager and Julie the Business Manager.

As Practice Manager, Gillian's role is to maintain the smooth day to day running of the Practice and as she has previously worked for a time at St Nicholas Surgery, Withernsea, she is familiar with the area. Julie's role of Business Manager is new to the Practice but her background of senior management in Lloyds TSB Bank will be of great assistance in helping the surgery move forward and develop in the changing environment and ensure that patients' care remains the priority in the locality. Her responsibilities are for both finance and dispensing and she works very closely with the Practice Manager.

Roos Football Report

Roos FC are still just about in touch with the leaders at the top of County League Division Three table but to have any realistic chance of winning the league, they would probably need to win the last seven league games (with 6 of them away matches). February was another mixed bag as far as results go, but they signed off with an emphatic 5-0 home success against Eastington Village, who had beaten Roos 5-3 in the cup earlier in the campaign. Absences and injuries may well hold the key to Roos' eventual finishing position this season, but they will be going all out to win all of their remaining games!

The club are also hosting a joint fund-raising venture with the Roos Playing Field Association on Saturday 17th March in the Black Horse, with an 8 p.m. start. Enjoy St Patrick's Day by joining us for an evening of exciting Greyhound Racing where you can relax, have a bet and help the local community raise much needed funds to keep the Roos playing fields

Snow and ice

Although Spring is well under way, Winter may yet have a sting in its tail!

In the event of the arrival of a late snowy and icy spell, all is not lost. The Parish Council has purchased a salt/grit spreader with finance provided by the ERYC. The spreader is for use on pavements and other public areas across the parish. If there are any areas that you consider require treatment, please contact a Parish Councillor.

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March 2012

Sat 17th Black Horse 8 p.m. Greyhound Racing Evening
(Football Club and Playing Fields Association)

April 2012

Wed 4th W.I. 7.30 p.m. Memorial Institute

Tue 10th Bingo 7.30 p.m. Memorial Institute

Sat 14th 57th Spring Show, Roos & District Horticultural Society, Memorial Institute.

Mon 16th Parish Council 7.15 p.m. Memorial Institute

Thur 19th Jubilee Celebration-Planning Meeting. 7.30pm in the Black Horse.

Parish Council Minutes are published in full on Parish Notice Boards and on the parish website - roosparish.info

The following are edited extracts from the February 2012 Meeting.

Eight Council Members were in attendance. No members of the public were present.

Present: Cllrs. D Winter (Chairman), W Ainley, J Cracknell, D Craggs, A Dodson, B Smales, K Tyson and J Ward.

Apologies: Cllr. A. Coupe,

1. Tunstall Coastal Defence Scheme*

The Chairman welcomed interested parties to the meeting. It was reported that the ERYC Cabinet would be meeting on 28th February to consider proposals to contribute additional funding to that already committed by the Environment Agency. This would enable a substantial coastal defence scheme to proceed.

Mr A McLachlan of ERYC confirmed that preparatory work on the two stage process of undertaking a quality assessment and cost evaluation was underway with a selected number of contractors. The outcome of the Cabinet decision on funding was awaited in order to move the proposed scheme forward.

It was agreed to hold the next progress meeting on the 16th April at 7.15pm, a week later than usual due to Bank Holiday Monday falling on the 9th April.

2. Consideration of Councillor's declaration of interests.

There were no changes declared.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2012

These were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the minutes

4. Flooding and land drainage issues

It was reported that the beck north of Hodgson Lane had now been inspected and that the water was flowing freely.

5. Tedder Hill Windfarm

The Chairman gave a report of the

proceedings of the meeting with Infinis held on 19th January. It was stated that the route for delivery of the turbines and associated equipment had not yet been determined. Cllr Ward said that he would contact Gregor Bryce (Infinis) to explore the possibility of co-operation on improving the broadband facility in the village bearing in mind that BT may need to be approached at the same time.

6. RES Community Fund - Heads of Terms

It was reported that the draft heads of terms had now been 'signed off' with RES Ltd. It was understood that ERYC would now need to approve the contents of the documentation with particular regard to the administration of the fund and other related issues. It was agreed to contact ERYC in the matter.

7. Severe weather grant assistance

Cllr Smales provided details of the salt/grit spreader purchased on behalf of the Council. It was agreed that an appropriate notice be displayed in the notice boards advising the public of its purchase and who to contact in the event that they are needed. It was also agreed to purchase 5 shovels and 10 buckets for use during future severe weather conditions.

8. Highway issue

It was reported that ERYC would remedy the problems of surface water accumulation at three locations on Rectory Road by the installation of French drains.

9. Proposed upgrading of former footpath to Burton Pidsea

The Clerk reported on a response from ERYC which stated that contact had been made with the Internal Drainage Board with regard to the previous bridge over the drain, and its possible replacement. A consultation paper would be sent to the Council for comment on the proposed reinstatement of the footpath.

Correspondence

10. CPRE planning seminar

An invitation was received from CPRE to attend a planning seminar in North Ferriby on the 16th March commencing at 10.00am. The Clerk confirmed that he would establish how many members could attend. It was agreed that

Cllrs Cracknell and Tyson would attend.

11. ERYC parish news

The latest edition of the above was circulated.

Planning

12. Applications

Erection of three dwellings on land south of Halfway Cottage Main Street Roos

Cllr Smales declared an interest in the application as he was related to the applicant and took no part in the discussion or voted in the matter.

It was agreed to object to the proposal as the proposed dwellings were outside the development limits of the village.

13. Decision

Erection of general purpose agricultural building at land south of Owstwick Hall Aldbrough Road Roos

It was reported that ERYC had approved the above application.

14. Refresher Parish Plan

Cllr Ainley reported that the Parish Plan Committee was steadily progressing work with assistance from HWRCC.

15. HM Queen's Diamond Jubilee

Cllr Ward gave a detailed report on progress made at the meeting of interested organisations held on 31st January to celebrate the event. The next progress meeting would be held on the 6th March.

It was agreed to obtain a quote for the supply of circa 200 commemorative mugs for distribution to children in the parish to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee.

- Avondale Landscapes- work on parish paths - £95.00
- Memorial Institute - use of hall - £60.00
- D Winter - reimbursement of fees paid to Easily for website domain - £59.99
- B Smales - acquisition of a salt/grit spreader - £954.00

Any other business

16. Website

Cllr. Ainley reported that new material

Parish**matters** *Continued*

was being added to the website which was likely be useful to those accessing the site.

17. Roos School

It was agreed that the head of the school be congratulated for the recent academic achievements attained by pupils at the school.

18. Sand le Mere holiday complex

It was agreed to refer the height of some of the recent development structures to ERYC for attention to ensure that they complied with the appropriate planning permission.

Next meeting

The next meeting to be held on Monday 16th April 2012 commencing at 7.15pm in the Memorial Institute Roos.

*Editorial Note.

The Holderness Gazette of 8th March reported that "....the Tunstall Flood Defence scheme will benefit to the tune of between £100K and £190K from the scheme with an additional £265,000 from the Environment Agency; £15,000 of which will come from the Yorkshire Regional Flood and Coastal Committee levy fund". Work is likely to begin in 2013.



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It is also the first anniversary of the 'new look' Rooster and to celebrate we have reproduced the front cover of each issue published so far.

It is quite hard to believe that The Rooster was founded as the parish newsletter way back in 1985 by Leslie Helliwell. He was editor for most of the past 27 years and we are delighted that he has sent us a message of congratulations.

Casually browsing on-line through the previous 200 issues brings memories of events and the personalities involved flooding back, as it was only yesterday.

Some of them make for interesting reading and we hope to publish a series of 'Flashbacks' in future editions!

