



# THE ROOSTER

## Roos Village Newsletter

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*This is the first issue of 'The Rooster' since May. Some of the material is no longer 'news' but has been included so as to preserve the continuity of the newsletter as a record of local affairs.*

## Local Government Matters

### Local Elections in May

On 7th May polling took place for both Roos Parish Council and Holderness Borough Council.

For the Parish Council there were eleven candidates for nine places. All candidates received good support, though on this occasion Mr. Barrie Broom and Mr. Ray Beal were unsuccessful. Votes were cast as follows:

Beal, John Raymond	122	Grant, Kenneth G	239
Bowden, Alan G.	160	Helliwell, Leslie	209
Broom, Ian Barrie	133	Priest, James C.	158
Cheeseman, Michael	223	Quarmby, John D.	195
Clark, John Robert	179	Winter, George Edward	307
Cook, Thomas Kennington	197		

For Holderness Borough, Mr. G.E. Winter was elected for a further term by a very substantial majority. The votes cast were:

Helliwell, Leslie	165	Winter, George Edward	445
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### Parish Council A.G.M.

The new Parish Council met on 11th May for the Annual General Meeting. Councillor Helliwell had sent apologies for his unavoidable absence.

The retiring Chairman, Councillor K.G. Grant, declined to stand again and Councillor G.E. Winter was elected as the new Chairman, there being no other nominations.

Councillor Winter welcomed Councillor Bowden as a new member and paid tribute to Councillor Grant who had served the parish as Council Chairman for thirteen years.

After approval of the Minutes of the 1986 A.G.M., other elections took place. Councillor Quarmby was elected Vice-Chairman and Councillor Cheeseman re-elected as Treasurer. Parish representatives on other local bodies were elected as follows:

The Governors of Roos School : Councillor Clark.  
Snaith Charity : Councillors Grant and Quarmby.  
Roos Charity : Councillors Cheeseman, Grant and Bowden.  
Memorial Institute Committee : Councillor Priest.  
Playing Field Committee : Councillor Bowden.  
Humberside Association of Town & Parish Councils : Councillors Cheeseman & Priest.

### Parish Council : Meeting of 11th May

The May meeting followed immediately after the A.G.M.

#### Minutes

The Minutes of the April meeting were approved. There were two matters arising from the Minutes.

**Roads and Footpaths.** Councillor Grant reported that he had met the Area Surveyor to discuss the potholes in Hodgson Lane and at Thirtlebridge. Work had been done in Hodgson Lane within a matter of days. The Surveyor had had a meeting with the owner of the land adjoining Low Road, Tunstall, with a view to having the dyke potted. He also confirmed that the survey of roads in Roos had been completed and that repairs would be carried out as soon as funds were available.

**Roos Beck.** The Parish Clerk had been in touch with the Borough Council engineer and had been recommended to contact the Yorkshire Water Authority about the possibility of having the Beck potted.

#### Correspondence

Notice had been received that the parish accounts would be needed on 22nd June for the Annual Audit.

A letter from Radio Humberside stated that their current series of (village quizzes had aroused such interest that a further series was planned and the Parish Council would be informed of it in good time.

#### Planning

**Site adjacent to East View, South End.** The Council felt that the site plan

submitted in connection with an outline application was too small for them to take a decision. They requested more details so as to be clear about the position of the proposed building in relation to adjacent properties.

**Caer Urfa, Lamb Lane.** Amended details of vehicular access to the site in part of the garden of Caer Urfa were approved.

It was reported that the Borough Council had approved the following applications already discussed by the Parish Council : the veranda for Honeysuckle Cottage; the pitched roof for the garage at Woodlands; development of the site at Owl Tree Cottage.

#### Accounts

Members authorised the annual subscription (£74.35) to the Humberside Association of Town and Parish Councils.

### Parish Council : Meeting of 8th June

Councillor G.E. Winter took the chair. Also present were Councillors Bowden, Cheeseman, Clark, Helliwell, Priest and Quarmby. Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Cook and Grant.

#### Minutes and Matters Arising

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th May were approved.

**Roos Beck.** In answer to a question from Councillor Quarmby, it was explained that potting of the Beck was being carried out in conjunction with the building of the new bungalow down Lamb Lane. Other sections might be potted later but there were no current plans for such work.

#### Correspondence

##### The Hull Community Health Council.

The Annual Report of the Council (whose area includes Holderness) had been received and was available for consultation.

##### Paths for People.

A leaflet with the above title had been received from the Ramblers' Association. It included a letter from the President, comedian Mike Harding, and was addressed to local councillors. It provided a checklist for action by local councils (reproduced later in this issue) and spelt out their powers over rights of way.

The Chairman commented that Roos was well served for rights of way. Councillor Helliwell disagreed. The Village Appraisal had demonstrated a definite demand for more walks through the surrounding countryside. Footpaths and rights of way indicated on Ordnance Survey maps were often no longer viable. It was agreed to ask for a copy of the definitive local map from the Holderness Borough Council.

#### Planning

**Site adjacent to East View, South End, Roos.** An application to erect a dwelling on the site had been discussed at earlier meetings. A more detailed site plan had now been supplied. The Director of Development (had also supplied a photographic mock-up showing adjacent buildings with the proposed building inserted. Councillors still had reservations about the development. They felt that the shared drive would cause problems and that the site would be too narrow to permit a dwelling to be erected as far forward as the building line required. They also felt that to insert a narrow building between the adjacent properties would do nothing to enhance the character of this part of the village. However, they could see no objection on technical grounds. It was therefore agreed that the Clerk should write to the Director of Development to this effect but that he should stress the misgivings that had been expressed.

**Culver, Hilston Road.** Councillors approved an application by Mr J.M. Kemp for permission to build an extension for a kitchen.

**Three plots to the north of Elm Garth.** A layout for Plots 2 and 3 was approved. A revised plan for Plot 1 (dwelling already under construction) provided for a shared drive. All three layouts were supported.

**Roos Playing Field.** The Parish Council agreed to a request from the Playing Field Committee to apply on their behalf for permission to erect a pavilion, for which plans were supplied.

The Treasurer was authorised to incur the costs of the planning application on behalf of the Playing Field Committee.

The proceeds of the parish rate precept (£750) had now been banked.

#### Any Other Business

**Footpath Obstruction.** A resident had pointed out that the road sign on the east side of Main Street on the approach to Pilmar Lane restricted the footpath. The sign was supported by two posts that effectively narrowed the path. It was impossible for a twin buggy (i.e. for two young children seated side by side) to pass between the posts and the buggy had to be pushed on the road at this point. It was agreed to ask the Highways Authority to set the posts farther apart.

**Scrap Cars.** A resident had complained about a stack of scrapped vehicles that obstructed the view. It was decided to seek the advice of the Environmental Health Department.

**Beautiful Roos?** Mr Helliwell referred to three environmental matters that had been raised with him. One concerned the dumping of conifer cuttings on a grass verge, a matter mentioned at a Parish Council meeting. The householder responsible wanted his critic to know that he was as anxious as anyone to enhance the appearance of the village. In fact, however, the verge in question was seldom cut and the materials he had put there (in an emergency) were no permanent eyesore since they would quickly rot down.

Another resident wanted the Parish Council to take serious steps to encourage entry for the 'Beautiful Village' Competition - though proper preparation would take some years to be really effective. A third resident wanted to invite local volunteers to join him in tackling the problem of litter.

Councillor Helliwell suggested that there was a good deal of concern (to preserve and enhance the village environment and that the Parish Council should respond to it.

It was noted that verges were cut about three times a year. Councillor Quarmby said that this year the verges on main roads had been cut early and some had already had a second cut. It was agreed that the Clerk should seek more details of the 'Beautiful Village' Competition and that both the competition and environmental matters generally would be suitable topics for the annual Parish Meeting. (See below).

**Parish Meeting.** It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting should be held on Monday 6th July and that the Agenda should include the 'Beautiful Village' Competition and the offer by one resident to initiate an anti-litter campaign.

#### Public Session

**Litter Bins.** Mrs Joan Bowden asked for a progress report on litter bins. She was told that commercially-produced bins were thought to be too expensive and that the Council had been exploring the possibility of using sections of concrete pipes. These would need to be fixed securely in the ground.

**Post Boxes.** The box outside the Post Office in Pilmar Lane was thought to be too small. The Clerk had written to the Head Postmaster in Hull requesting a larger box and pointing out that the collection box at North End was in poor condition.

**The Chestnuts.** Mrs Bowden asked whether anything could be done to improve the unsightly state of the proposed building site and of Dove Lane alongside. She was especially concerned about the removal of trees and the damage that had been done to the boundary hedge. Councillor Winter sympathised with the questioner but pointed out that the requirement on the owner to make good the damage by replanting and landscaping could be enforced only after the development was completed. Councillor Cheeseman said that - even in the short term - something should be done to tidy up the site; the path along Dove Lane was sometimes impassable. Councillor Quarmby agreed: the footpath could be reinstated immediately; much of the trouble was caused by (water seeping through from the point where there had been a pond on the site).

**Path to North End.** Mrs Margaret Payne once again raised the matter of (the poor state of the footpath from Main Street to North End, which was 'a disgrace'. It was explained that the Highways Authority was hampered by lack of funds. Mr John Waldron commented that ratepayers were, 'paying more and more for less and less.'

### Parish Meeting

Monday 6th July at 7.30 p.m.

Roos Memorial Institute

This will be an open meeting. All residents are invited to attend and to take part. They will have the opportunity to bring matters to the attention of the Parish Council and to ask questions. Topics for the Agenda should, if possible, be passed in advance to the Parish Clerk: Mr Cyril Woodhouse, 1 Pinfold Cottages.

### Parish Council Meeting

Monday 13th July at 7.30 p.m.

Roos Memorial Institute. Members of the public welcome.

The material below is extracted from the Ramblers' Association leaflet discussed by the Parish Council on 8th June. The leaflet was produced with grant aid from the Countryside Commission, which was keen to encourage local councils to take a more positive role in local conservation and recreation activities.

#### Your Action List

##### 1. Form a Rights of Way Committee

Form a Rights of Way Committee and co-opt keen local path users to gain the benefit of their knowledge and experience.

##### 2. Make regular inspections

Carry out regular inspections (at least twice a year) of all the rights of way in; the parish or community, noting any matters which need attention, and following these up as appropriate.

##### 3. Get basic maintenance work done

Carry out basic maintenance work, e.g. clearance of overgrowth, on behalf of the highway authority.

##### 4. Try to resolve problems

Try to resolve problems such as ploughing and obstruction with the person responsible.

##### 5. See that the county council takes action

If this approach is not successful, report the matter to the county council and see that the council takes action.

##### 6. Check stiles and gates

Check that all stiles and gates are easy for members of the public to use, and carry out repairs or improvements as necessary.

##### 7. See that all paths are signposted

Ensure that all rights of way are signposted and waymarked where they meet metalled roads, and carry out maintenance of signposts as necessary.

##### 8. See that rights of way are waymarked too

Ensure that all rights of way are waymarked along their length, by carrying out the work itself (i.e. the Parish Council) or by assisting voluntary organisations willing to waymark, e.g. by identifying and contacting land-owners on their behalf.

##### 9. Erect rights of way maps

Erect a map showing the local rights of way in one or more places within the parish or community.

##### 10. Publish a guidebook

Publish a guidebook to local walks.

##### 11. Organise walks for the public

This both encourages the public to use the paths and provides an opportunity for the council to show to the public the work it has done on their behalf.

#### Roos Rugby Club

##### Annual General Meeting

The Club's second A.G.M. was held on Sunday 2nd June in the Roos Arms. Assessing the Club's fortunes and prospects for the future, the Chairman, Mr Ken Windass, praised the players, the supporters and the Committee for all their hard work during the season. He welcomed new coach Paul Smith and wished him every success. The Club had won nine matches, drawn two and lost seventeen, an improvement on the previous year.

Committee members were re-elected en bloc: Ken Windass (Chairman), Trevor Bailey, Barry Kelly (Vice-Chairman), Olly Grassby, Dudley Hulme, Ron Symes, Richard Tyson, Trevor Uscroft, and David Winter. There then followed an open discussion of matters affecting the Club.

##### Presentation Night

On 12th June, during an enjoyable evening at The Mermaid Club, B(Tunstall, awards were presented to players who had made significant contributions to the Club's successes.

Player of the year: Andy Dent. Runner-up: Glen Palframan.  
Players' Player of the Year: Andy Dent. Runner-up: Steve Rooks.  
Club Man of the Year: Steve Karsera. Runner-up: Tony Rustill.  
Most Improved Player of the Year: John Dearing.

In addition, for her loyal support on match days, Clare Lockwood was awarded a special 'thank-you' gift from the players.



Club members on Presentation Night: Centre : Vice-Chairman Barry Kelly congratulates Clare Lockwood, attended by her brother, Andrew.

#### Roos - An Outsider's View

I thought that other villagers (particularly those who have always (lived here) might be interested in how a newcomer - an 'outsider' - sees the village and its life.

I love the openness and freshness of the Holderness landscape and I appreciate the fact that Roos is now my home, my corner of that landscape. Having moved here from virtually the centre of Hull (though born and brought up in a small West Riding village), I noticed immediately the cleanness, the peace, the beauty and the slower pace of life in the village. Roos village may not be a prizewinner like Bishop Burton or Walkington, but the patchwork fields, the trees, the Church and its surroundings have a pleasing tranquillity all their own.

Although I do not feel totally a part of the community - as an outsider, and one who works away during the day, it is always difficult to do so - I have found the people of Roos friendly and welcoming. When the snow came this winter, it was for me just a time of excitement - I had never been snowed in before and it meant no work for either myself or my husband. I know now that it meant more work for those people who battled through the drifts to make sure the villagers had fuel for fires, milk and other necessities.

I expect that living in Roos can seem a deadening experience for some of the young people - and perhaps some of the older ones too - who crave a more dynamic existence! For me, however, I love my corner of rural England and I hope my relationship with Roos continues for many years.

Daphne Philp.

#### GRAND SUMMER FETE

Roos C.E. Primary School

Saturday 18th July : 2.00 - 4.00 p.m.

Admission Free. All welcome.

Decorated pram/bicycle competition - Pet competition.  
Shows by the Police and the Fire Brigade.

Many other attractions including:  
Tombola, Stalls, Pony Rides, Teas, Pop, and Crisps.

Proceeds to Roos School P.T.A. Funds.

#### Roos W.I.

At the June meeting the speaker was Mrs. I. Robinson of the Red Cross Society. Her enthusiasm for the work of the Society was obvious as she gave an outline of 'how it all began' and the variety of duties now undertaken both nationally and internationally by the Red Cross. The organisation is completely voluntary and is both non-political and non-religious - in other words, it helps everyone in need, regardless of race, religion and politics.

During May, Roos W.I. members took part in the Group Rally at Burstock where items made by members were on display. The entertainment for the evening was given by a folk group. During June there will have been an evening outing and a full-day outing.

The W.I. offers a variety of interests and activities. Anyone interested in learning more about Roos W.I. should telephone the Secretary (70871) or contact any member - or just come along to one of our meetings, which are held on the first Wednesday of each month.

M.G.

#### Coming Events

##### July

- 1 Roos W.I. Memorial Institute. 7.15. Speaker, Mrs. Duggleby, V.C.O.
- 5 Methodist Family Service. Memorial Institute. 10.30.
- 6 Parish Meeting - Open to all. Memorial Institute. 7.30.
- 13 Parish Council Meeting. Memorial Institute. 7.30.
- 18 Summer Fete. Roos School P.T.A. 2.00 to 4.00.

##### August

- 2 Methodist Family Service. Memorial Institute. 10.30.
- 5 Roos W.I. Memorial Institute. 7.15. Speaker, Mrs I. Benson : The Life of a Nanny.
- 31 Playing Field Committee : Fun Day.

#### Roos Memorial Institute A.G.M.

At the Annual Meeting of the Roos Institute Committee held on 24th June, Mrs. Christine Mitchell (Chairlady) read her interesting and varied report of all the fund-raising activities and hard work that had taken place during the last year, to enable work to start on the alterations to the Institute. As Mrs. Mitchell has now increased her personal commitments, she felt she must resign as Chairperson and wished the new Committee every success.

A working Committee was proposed and accepted: Mrs. K. Billany (Chairlady), Mr. Philip Maltas (Vice-Chairman), Mrs. J. Jackson (Treasurer), Mrs. M. Payne (Secretary), Mrs. B. Quinn, Mrs. P. Cheeseman, Mrs. S. Keatings, Mrs. M. Godfrey, Mrs. S. Langley, Mr. M. Jackson, Mr. M. Cowell, Mr. J. Priest. Mrs. B. Quinn proposed a vote of thanks for all the very hard work Mrs. Mitchell had done during her terms of office.

We hope that once the alterations have taken place we shall be looking for all your support and ideas for further money-raising as new furnishings etc. will be required.

Pat and Margaret would like to thank very much indeed ALL who helped in any way at the May Fair. The total sum being raised was around £300.

Margaret Payne (Secretary)

#### Renovation Appeal

The target sum of £4,200 has been reached but the figure does include £550 of interest-free loans, which must be repaid quickly. For this, further funds are still needed - as well as for new furnishings: curtains, tables, and chairs.

£100 has been loaned by the Roos Tournament Whist Club and further benefactors have loaned the remainder. Private donations have totalled £250. We are most grateful for this help.

The Spring Fling made a net profit of £311.29.

We should like to thank everyone who has helped in any way with all the fund-raising efforts.

Jean Jackson (Treasurer)

#### Roos Guides

Roos Guides would like to thank everyone who helped in any way with their Summer Fayre, which raised the sum of £244.83.

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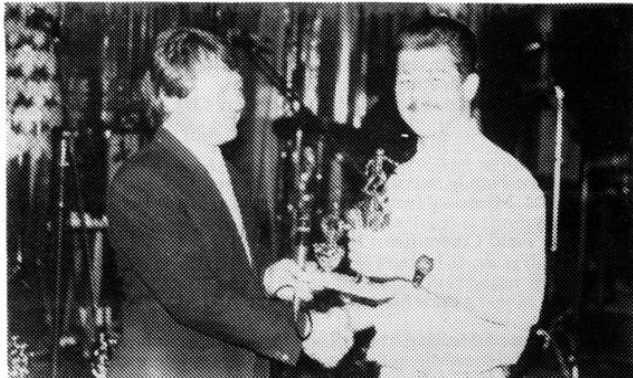


#### Roos Football Club

Roos F.C. held their annual presentation evening at The Mermaid, Tunstall, on Friday 22nd May and a very well-attended and enjoyable evening it was too. The music was provided by the excellent local band Spiney Norman, whose drummer is Nick Derbyshire, a principal member of the football club.

Trophies were awarded as follows.

Roos 'A'



Leading goalscorer : Nick Derbyshire (22 goals) being congratulated by team manager Ron Derbyshire



Players' Player of the Season: Mark Battye and Andy Bailey.

Roos 'B'

Leading goalscorer: Dave Iley. Player of the Year: Graham Smith. Clubman of the Year: Paul Kitchen.



Clubman of the Year: Stuart Blenkin and Pete Dearing.



Graham Smith receives his trophy from team secretary Mike Green.

#### Rooster Deadline

Items for the August newsletter should be submitted no later than

Monday 20th July

to Leslie Helliwell, Lamb Lane, Roos. (Phone : 70291)

Once again our thanks go to the Roos A.R.L.F.C. members who helped make the evening a financial success, especially Les Pearson who sold all the raffle tickets, and his wife Janice, as well as Carol Uscroft who manned the door for us.

We have once more had a very successful season and hope to continue in this vein in all our ensuing seasons. Pre-season training will commence in early July.

The next report will be in October. See you then.

R.Derbyshire.