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Roos Parish Council

All councillors were present at the meeting of 14th November.

Arising from the Minutes

Dove Lane Development. Three councillors had met on site two Borough Council officers, Mr Guy and Mr Heningway, and left them in no doubt about the Parish Council's concern about Dove Lane and about the specific steps recommended. A subsequent letter from the Parish Clerk summarised the points. A letter from the Director of Development to the applicant had reiterated the planning conditions to be fulfilled.

Litter bin. Councillor Quarmby said that he had the installation in hand.

Plaque for Memorial Institute Clock. The brass plaque had been obtained and was now to be inscribed.

Correspondence

Parish Auditor. The Auditors had made general observations about the tax responsibilities of parish councils in paying staff. Though the Council thought the points were not relevant to Roos, Councillors did discuss the Clerk's remuneration (a council is empowered to pay up to 60.5% of a penny rate). It was suggested that the Clerk should claim legitimate expenses: for example, he should post notices of meetings instead of delivering them by hand in unpaid time and at his own expense.

Highways. A letter from the District Surveyor, Mr Holden, stressed that the roadworks planned would be postponed - not cancelled - pending the expected installation of a gas supply in Roos. Councillors asked the Clerk to reply, urging that some repairs were needed in the short term (for example to Rectory Road from Chestnut Garth northwards as far as the crossroads) and that there should be no need to delay tidying up the grassed area at the corner of Pilmar Lane (the "Village Green"). It was also considered unsatisfactory that long-overdue roadworks should be postponed because of the possibility of main-laying at some future date. The Clerk was asked to write to the Gas Board to enquire about their plans and a possible timetable for the work.

Humberside Diary. The Director of Development invited

parish councils and others to provide details of local events for inclusion in the printed Diary.

Public Entertainment Licence. On behalf of the Council, the Chairman had already supported the Memorial Institute Committee's application for renewal of their licence.

Rural Voice in Humberside. Notice had been received of a seminar at Bishop Burton on 2nd December on "Rural Housing in Humberside".

Humberside Association of Parish and Town Councils. The Annual Report had been received.

Dent's Garth. Mr Barry Nettleton of Dent's Garth had written to the Borough Council about the working practices of Keyingham Construction which were, he felt, contrary to the conditions of their planning consent. He had sent the Parish Council a copy of the letter and asked for their support. Mr Nettleton referred to: the nuisance caused by unsocial working hours; the damage to the road past the houses at Dent's Garth caused by heavy lorries using it; the storage of materials on the land alongside the portacabin in a way not envisaged when consent for the portacabin was granted. Individual councillors were sympathetic to Mr Nettleton's points but no specific action was taken.

Holderness Borough Council. The Annual Report had been received and was available for scrutiny on application to the Clerk.

Planning

Applications approved by the Borough Council

The Elms ; detached residence (Mrs M. Smith).

Elm Tree Farm ; extension (Mr K. Crouch).

New Applications supported by the Parish Council

Hilston Road, D.S. Field 47. (Mr & Mrs D. Barnett). Detached dwelling. Revised application after previous refusal.

South Park. (Hooson Design Group for W.D. Builders, Hull). Eleven detached dwellings to the east of the existing development. Outline consent already given.

1 Elm Garth. (Mr & Mrs J. Monkman). Garage extension with provision for pitched roof. (Supported provided

there was no objection from neighbours.)

Accounts

Payment of two accounts was approved ; cost of the plaque for the clock, £4.75; use of the Memorial Institute for four Council meetings, £20.00.

Since there was evidence that residents themselves supported "The Rooster", it was agreed to make the newsletter a grant of £12.00 for 1989.

Any Other Business

Elm Garth. Councillor Bowden drew attention to the poor road condition; manholes were standing proud of the surface. It was agreed to draw the matter to the Borough Surveyor's attention in due course.

PUBLIC SESSION

Referring to his letter about Dent's Garth, Mr B. Nettleton said that his objection was to extended use of the area since he himself had moved to Dent's Garth. It was important to hold to the planning conditions reinforced when consent was given to the siting of Keyingham Construction's portacabin.

Parish Council Meeting

Monday 12th December : 7.30 p.m.

in the Memorial Institute.

Members of the public cordially invited to attend.

The Rooster

By 1st December 113 households had made a donation to help meet the costs of the newsletter in 1989. Contributions since the last issue are gratefully acknowledged from :

Anon, Mr & Mrs G.P. Blyth, Mr & Mrs J. Boynton, Mr & Mrs H. Burn, Mr & Mrs M. Cowell, Mr & Mrs S. Dalby, Mr & Mrs A.H. Dodson, Mr S. Donaldson, Mrs C. Drury, Mrs H. Dry, Mrs M. Godfrey, Mr & Mrs K.G. Grant, Mr & Mrs F.A. Grassby, Mr & Mrs G.H. Green, Mrs V. Hoe, Dr W.J. Isherwood, Mrs J. Keatings, Mrs S. Kemp, Mrs S.D. Kettle, Mr & Mrs Kerr-Delworth, Miss M. & Mrs M. Maltas, Mr & Mrs I. Mitchell, Mr & Mrs A.R. Moore, Mr & Mrs P.G. Mullett, Dr & Mrs M.G. Pearson, Ms J. Pepper, Captain & Mrs J.C. Priest, Mrs V. Pepper, Mr D. Rowland, Dr & Mrs J.T. Terieski, Mr J. Waldron.

I prefer to list donors by name so that they know that their contributions have been received - it would be difficult to provide individual receipts. However, when people ask not to be named I enter "Anon" in the list, as above.

Delivery to All?

So far 89 persons have expressed an opinion. 63 (71%) said that all households should receive copies; 26 (29%) said that only donors should receive them. On this evidence, it seems justified to continue the practice of delivering copies to every household.

Bigger and Better?

The generosity of those who have made a donation so far is very much appreciated since it is already clear that "The Rooster" can continue for another year. If - as I hope - many more donations come in, then it should be possible to produce a much-improved version with at least six pages instead of four. Extra pages will permit better layout with more spaces to make the text easier on the eye. There will be room for more articles and for illustrations.



This photograph of Rectory Road was taken by Mr Ray Beal in the Spring of 1986. Its reproduction here is an experiment. Normally photographs do not photocopy well. Those in this issue have been "screened" to improve the quality - Is it good enough? If there are to be photographs in 1989, we shall certainly need the extra pages - and the donations to pay for them. If funds are available, photographs of local interest will be welcome for inclusion. Black-and-white prints give better results but coloured ones are possible. Most important ; the prints should be well-defined and not too dark.

L.H.

Rooster Deadline

Tuesday 27th December

Please provide items for the January issue by or before the above date to :

Leslie Helliwell, Canwick, Lamb Lane, Roos. (670291)

Donations

Further contributions invited. With your donation please supply details :
Name, address, phone, amount, and whether you think copies should go to ALL or only to DONORS.

De Ros for President

Prompted by the American presidential election, Mr Gordon Green, of Cherrytrees, Elm Garth, points out that George Washington, first U.S. President, was

descended from the Robert de Ros (d.1285) who figured in last month's historical article.

He writes : "Robert, 1st Baron de Ros, married Isabel, daughter and heiress of William D'Aubigny, Lord of Belvoir. Their son, William, became 2nd Baron, and one of his daughters, Agnes, married Lord Tybotet. Their great-grandson, John, married Joyce, daughter of Lord Cherleton of Powis. Their daughter, also Joyce, married Sir Edmund Sutton (also known as Dudley) and her granddaughter, Margaret, married into the Butler family. Her granddaughter, also Margaret, married Lawrence Washington of Sulgrave.

"This family (the Washingtons) emigrated to America and Margaret's grandson was John Washington of Virginia. His great-grandson was George Washington, first President of the U.S.A., born 1732, died 1799.

"I have missed out many steps but these various families were all descended from King John's line (Lancaster) and 9 of the 25 barons appointed to Runnymede to enforce the provisions of Magna Carta. Of this group, Robert de Ros was a senior member."

Rates for Advertisers

Four-column format.

Display : £1.00 / column inch.

Small ads : 5p per word.

A 1½ inch display advertisement like this, across two columns, would cost £3. 00.

Roos W. I.

None the Wiser

With some trepidation, the cast of thousands (well truthfully, seven - namely, Nora Hornby, Edna Conley, Pat Alexander, Margaret Payne, Irene Helliwell, Joan Bowden, and Connie Farrington) arrived at the Institute on 9th November ready to perform their play. Despite some fluffed lines, the performance did what it was hoped to do, i.e. (to judge by audience reaction and later comments) it provided a little fun and laughter. Proceeds are to be given to the Memorial Institute Fund.

Sale of Goods

Goods made by the blind and mentally handicapped were on sale on 10th November. Roos W.I. have supported this project for some forty years. Once again, sales were a record - £473. 00 - thanks to ticket-sellers Mr and Mrs T.Arksey, and to Mrs L.Foster, and Mrs D.Burn who, as ever, sold the raffle tickets; also to Jennifer Grant, Joyce Grant, Sandra Kettle, Kathleen Nelson and Irene Entwistle who assisted on the day and saw to refreshments, which raised £1.60

Ticket-sellers (who need not be WI members) are still needed. Would you like to help? If so, please contact me at 2 Elm Garth (Phone : 670469). Over the years we

have raised almost £5,000. With a little extra help we could reach that target in 1989.

Connie Farrington.

Edible Decorations

for cakes for all occasions.

Samples

made by Helen Dry on display at
Roach Cottage, Main Street, Roos (670505).

Roos Rugby Club

November

6 Roos 64; Brickmakers' 8

Tries : D.Bibby 2, P.Richardson 2, A.Beedham 2,
T.Bailey, M.Pepper, M.Bell 5.

Goals : S.Jumps 6.

Scrums : Roos 10, Brickmaker's 10.

Highest tackle-count : Mark Pepper, 24.

Man of the Match : Mark Bell.

13 Sully's 34; Roos 2 (2nd Round BOCM Cup)

Goals : S.Jumps 1.

Scrums : Roos 11, Sully's 23.

Highest tackle-count : Mark Pepper 20.

Man of the Match : Kenny Knaggs

20 Charleston 18; Roos 16

Tries : M.Walsh, P.Richardson, M.Bell.

Goals : D.Bibby 2.

Scrums : Charleston 19, Roos 11.

Highest t.-count : P.Richardson, M.Bell, K.Knaggs : 19

Man of the Match : Mark Bell.

27 Bridlington 8; Roos 8

Tries : T.Rustill, M.Walsh.

Scrums : Bridlington 15, Roos 8.

Highest tackle-count : Kenny Knaggs 17.

Man of the Match : Mark Pepper.

Roos Playgroup Christmas Party

Thursday 15th December

11.30 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Pre-school children welcome from age 2½.

Please contact by 7th December without fail :

Jean Monkaan (670864) Marjorie Moore (670429)

Caroline Blyth (670180) Liz Earle (670298)

PLEASE NOTE. In 1989 the Playgroup will hold two sessions a week, 9.30 - 11.30 a.m., from Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th January.

Remembrance Sunday

More people than usual gathered around the Memorial Plaques at the Institute to pay tribute to those who gave their lives in war. Mr Floyd Kirk conducted a short service before the observance of the two-

minute silence, the laying of the wreaths, and the lowering of the standards.

Afterwards, all were invited to partake of refreshments in the Institute. For those who had served in war, it was a time for reminiscence; for others, a time to ponder, perhaps, those poignant words :

When you go home, tell them of us and say,
"For your tomorrows we gave our today."

C.F.

Roos Football

After their previous week's cup exit against Premier League Viking/Malet, Roos were back in League action away to Telstar on Sunday 7th November.

The day started badly. Poor communication caused four Roos players to go to the wrong ground. After they eventually reached the right venue, the match started fifteen minutes late. Telstar scored an early goal after a bad Roos back-pass allowed the opposing centre forward a shot that sneaked under the body of diving Pete Dearing. After this, Roos never really played with much conviction and it was left to a superb individual goal from Dave Cowell to rescue a point. Final score : 1 - 1.

At home the following week to Settingdyke, Roos lost their first League match for two seasons. They created plenty of clear chances but only two were converted, while Settingdyke were allowed to score three times. Most of the damage was done by the Settingdyke centre forward John Widdowson, who plays regularly on Saturdays for Bridlington Trinity in the Northern Counties East League. A player of quality, he unfortunately chose to play his first Sunday game this season against Roos. Score : 2 - 3 (Royce 2).

Away to Griffin, Roos managed to get back to winning

ways, albeit with a rather unconvincing performance. Roos took the lead with an excellently-headed goal from Dave Cowell, teed up by Geoff Newton, but then relaxed and let Griffin equalise. Dave Hampton nipped in at the far post to give Roos the lead once more, again making the most of Geoff Newton's excellent cross-ball. Midway through the second half Roos increased their lead with another very well-created goal, masterfully converted by Gary Thompson, whose shot went in off the post. But then Roos once again displayed this season's disconcerting habit of "going to sleep" and letting the opposition back into the game when slack defence allowed Griffin a second goal. Final score : 3 - 2.

Roos defeated a fairly mediocre Station Athletic at home much more convincingly, 3 - 1. A momentary lapse of concentration in defence allowed Station a goal, though they never really threatened a Roos defence well marshalled by George Bilton and ably assisted by young Tony Hunt (the find of the season), Andy Bailey and Stu Blenkin. Scorers were Mike Clarkson, George Bilton, and Dave Cowell.

Division 3 is the most competitive league that Roos have played in. Currently, only 4 points separate Roos at the top from Telstar, third from the bottom, and every game is a hard-fought affair.

Leading scorers : Dave Cowell 8, Dave Hampton 7, Sean Royce 5, Mike Clarkson 5.

Ron Derbyshire.

Photograph : The team at Boothferry Park last season when they beat Beverley Borough to win the Piper Cup.
Back, L to R : Nick Derbyshire, Ritchie Richardson, Pete Dearing, Chris Hodgson, Stu Benkin, George Bilton, Andy Bailey, Geoff Newton, Ron Derbyshire.
Front : Dave Hampton, Gary Thompson, Sean Royce, Mike Clarkson, Dave Cowell, John Dearing, Rich Young.
Mascots : Andrew Fisher, Geoffrey Bilton.



A History of Roos : 5

Middle Ages

Agriculture and Land Ownership

Although the system of cultivation stayed the same, Anglo-Saxon freedom became serfdom under the Normans. The lord's tenants were called variously serfs, cottars, or villeins.

The village was still self-supporting. At a later stage, when money became common, it was in the lord's interest to let his serfs pay him a cash rent instead of work service so that he could hire labourers. Eventually the Court Roll, with its record of services, proved a help to the serfs. They could argue that so long as they had paid their dues - by labour or by rent - they had a title to their crofts and pieces of land in the commons : their own land. A copy of their entitlement made them "copyholders" of the manor. So custom hardens by degrees into law. This landowning system was not abolished until 1925.

The village was still divided as it had been before 1066, with the south end almost entirely the lord's demesne. The exceptions were a part of the Carrs in the south-east and a gravel pit in the south-west, both of which were common property.

A steward would occupy a house in the lord's demesne near where The Elms stands now. On this huge farm, which was divided into fields much as they are now, the peasants would do their "boon" work.

The rest of the parish was divided into large open fields. The extreme north of Roos, known as now by the name "Furze", was common pasture. The greater part of the land south of that and down to the lord's demesne was divided into two large arable fields, known as East Field and West Field. To the west of West Field lay West Carr, low-lying land liable to flooding. There is still a wood there - dead trees now - called by that name.

The peasants crofts ran down the centre of the village with four lanes going east and west into the commons. The crofts grew in number but eventually levelled at 67 - including the churchyard and the parson's croft. In time some crofts had no "cot" upon them.

Unpopularity of The Poll Tax

England and France were constantly at war and when the English army was abroad the Scots took advantage and crossed the border. Many demands were made for military service, hard on the common folk, and once a Poll Tax was levied to pay for the war - so much per head according to status, from dukes who had to pay £6 to commoners over 16 who had to pay a groat (worth 4d). The tax was very unpopular and there were widespread risings - one in Beverley. Lists of people who paid the tax show that John was the commonest name for men and Alice for women.

Fairs and Festivals

Old Withernsea was granted permission to hold a weekly market on Thursdays. Roos never had this distinction but like all manors it had its annual fair - on the first Wednesday in July. Towards the end of the 19th century fairs and other travelling attractions had almost ceased but the new parson, Rev.E.Milson, reintroduced the annual feast as a religious festival and "Dedication" as it came to be called has now established itself.

Marking Time

Clocks came into use in the 14th century but were very expensive, dear. Mass dials were often to be seen on the outside of churches and there are markings of one on the corner buttress of our church with traces of a date.

The Black Death

Roos was struck by the terrible plague known as the Black Death. Records from 1350 show that, like most places in England, the parish lost a third of its population. As a result, the condition of labourers worsened and church building stopped for several years, as at Patrington as well as Roos.

The Rector

Rev.J.T.Davies (Father Aquinas), Rector of Roos, will be leaving in the New Year. He is to take up an incumbency near Sudbury in Suffolk.

Coming Events

December

- 4 Football, Roos A v Viking/Malet B, Away.
Roos B v Beverley Borough B, Home.
- 7 Roos WI, Memorial Institute, 7.15. Mrs Zoe Gibson :
Festive Floral Arrangements.
- 11 Football, Roos A v NDLB FC, Home.
Roos B v Impact FC, Away.
- 15 Roos Playgroup Christmas Party, 11.30.
- 18 Football, Roos A v Haworth Rangers, Away.
Roos B v Ace of Clubs FC, Home.
- 31 Methodist Family Service, Memorial Institute, 10.30.

January

- 8 Football, Roos A v P.Wilson's FC, Home.
Roos B v Bush Tavern, Away.
- 9 Roos Parish Council, Memorial Institute, 7.30.
- 10 (and 12) Roos Playgroup, 9.30 a.m. New sessions start.

**The Season's Greetings
to all Rooster Readers
and every good wish for 1989**