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Roos Parish Council

Annual General Meeting Elections

The existing Officers and representatives on other bodies were re-elected :

Chairman : Councillor E.G.Winter,

Vice-Chairman : Councillor J.D.Quarmby,

Treasurer : Councillor M.Cheeseman,

Governors of Roos School : Councillor J.R.Clark,

Roos Charity : Councillors A.G.Bowden, M.Cheeseman, K.G.Grant, and J.D.Quarmby,

Snaith Charity : Councillors K.G.Grant and J.D.Quarmby,

Roos Memorial Institute : Councillor J.C.Priest,

Playing Field Committee : Councillor A.G.Bowden,

Humberside Association of Town & Parish Councils (Holderness District Committee) : Councillors L.Helliwell and J.C.Priest,

Treasurer's Report

With the Parish Councils' Association subscription still to pay, there had been a balance of £777.55 on 31st March. It was assumed that the parish precept for 1989 - 90 (£750) would be received in June. The Accounts were approved. It was agreed that a consolidated version should be posted on the Parish Notice Board.

Monthly Meeting : May

Councillor G.E.Winter chaired the meeting. All councillors were present.

Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Matters arising :

Parking near the School. A letter from Mr Forster, County Surveyor, Eastern District, was felt to have evaded the problem of parked cars. The Clerk was asked to write again in stronger terms, drawing attention to the fact that the need for off-road parking had been stressed in the Village Plan and had been discussed already at a

public meeting with an officer of the Highways Department present.

Roos Beck. Councillor Quarmby said that the Water Authority were to look at the matter of the water level.

Correspondence

Entertainment Licence. On behalf of the Playing Field Committee Mr A.R.Grant had applied for a licence for a Barn Dance at Elms Farm on 16th June.

British Gas. The company wished to discuss terms for the use of the site on Pilmar Lane for a pressure reduction unit. It was agreed (a) to obtain a valuation of the site; (b) to establish (in advance of a meeting with British Gas) an appropriate level of rent; (c) to seek legal confirmation of the Parish Council's right to let part of an area covenanted as an amenity site. If necessary a special meeting would be called to consider the outcome of these enquiries.

Community Council of Humberside. There was to be a meeting at Hornsea on 25 May about a local Council for Voluntary Service and the encouragement of voluntary groups.

Roos Playing Field. The Chairman of the

In the Roos Memorial Institute. Parish Council Meeting

Monday 12th June : 7.30 p.m.

Annual Parish Meeting

Monday 19th June : 7.30 p.m.

Residents are cordially invited - and especially to the Parish Meeting, at which they are able to ask questions and raise topics in public.

Items for the Agenda to be submitted by 15th June to the Parish Clerk : Mr Cyril Woodhouse, 1 Pinfold Cottages,

Playing Field Committee, Mr Stewart Wilson, had written seeking Parish Council help. The estimated cost of erecting the pavilion (with changing rooms and other facilities) would be £47,000. In addition to funds already raised, it was hoped that the Borough Council and the County Council would give financial help. Councillor Bowden explained that, if 50% of the cost were guaranteed from local sources, the Sports Council would meet the rest. Councillors felt that the Playing Field request would have been easier to meet if it had been made before the annual precept. However, it was agreed to make an immediate grant of £250 and if necessary review the situation at a later date.

Conservation Areas and Listed Buildings. The Borough Council had sent the current details. There were no significant changes within the parish.

Audit of Parish Accounts : 26th June 1989.

Boundary Commission. The Humberside Association of Parish and Town Councils had sent a memorandum opposing the abolition of Humberside as a county council.

Planning

Pilmar Lane Development. The Clerk had written to the Director of Development about the nature of any assistance that might be given if the Parish Council agreed to accept responsibility for maintaining the amenity area. For the Director, Mr Colin Hogg advised that the query should be addressed to the Borough's Chief Executive.

South Park. It was confirmed that the total number of dwellings to be built on the remaining land at South Park was eleven.

Previous applications

The following had now been approved.

Plot 3, South of Dove Lane (Mr & Mrs Sowerby), The Parish Council queried the implication of one of the conditions - that access should be "adequately lit".

Bungalow at Dent's Garth (Keyingham Construction);

Conservatory at Rustlings, Chestnut Garth (Mr W. Aitchison);

Dwelling at Northern Garth, Tunstall (Mr B. Evison).

Consent for the following had been refused because it would be backland development : Dormer bungalow, rear of The Bungalow, Lamb Lane (Mr T. Peart).

New Applications

Rectory Road, South of Dove Lane : Plot 1 (Mr & Mrs K. Shilcock, Walkington), Supported,

8 Elm Garth (Mr K. Thorogood), Dormer windows, Supported - if no objections from neighbours.

Bungalow on Tower Road, Hilston (Mr & Mrs F. Sanderson, Halsham), Councillor Clark withdrew before this item. To avoid creating an unacceptable precedent, the Parish Council opposed the application - unless there was agricultural justification.

Any Other Business

Mr Richard Croft. Other members supported Councillor Cook's suggestion that a letter should be sent to Mr Croft expressing appreciation of his long service as county councillor for Mid-Holderness.

County Council Election. Councillor Grant referred to the late arrival of some polling cards. Other members quoted similar cases. Some cards arrived only on polling day itself. It was agreed to send a comment to the Deputy Returning Officer.

Annual Parish Meeting : 19th June.

Billy Graham Rally

Earls Court, London, 26th June - 1st July

Special large-screen satellite relay at the

Methodist Central Hall

Prospect Street, Hull, each evening at 7.45 p.m.

FREE COACHES will leave Roos Main Street at 6.10 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 26th, 28th & 30th June. Travel in the coach will ensure a seat in Central Hall.

For further information ring Marjorie Godfrey (670871) or Dennis and Christine Houlton (670596).

Resident Attacked by Plane

On the evening of 18th May a revered local newsagent was the object of a wanton and unprovoked attack by a model aircraft.

Enjoying the peace of the evening in his back garden - and minding his own business as usual - Mr Harry Hinch was suddenly dive-bombed. Only spritely evasive action prevented personal injury. The frustrated aircraft, under full power, buried itself eight inches into the ground.

Somewhat shaken, Mr Hinch was later visited by the plane's owner, who explained, with apologies and acute embarrassment, that he had lost radio control. He recovered the remains of his unguided missile and left - helped on his way, no doubt, by choice words of advice from the erstwhile target.

Roos Playing Field

The Committee are feeling frustrated. Their urgent aim is to start work on the pavilion as soon as possible but their funds are inadequate to complete the work and the grants hoped for have not yet been secured. To mix the metaphors, the grant machinery is clogged in a vicious circle of log jams.

It is hoped to obtain a 50% grant from the Sports Council - who will not normally award a grant for any project already started. Yet they are currently out of funds and will remain so until at least the end of the year. The County Council have been asked to help but seem unwilling to decide until they know what backing the Sports Council will give. You go first!

Holderness Borough will probably assist, though a decision there needs ratification by the full Council - and the question will be: "How much support have your Parish Council given?" Until this month the answer was "Nothing yet" - and the amount agreed by the Parish Council will not go far towards the total needed.

Stewart Wilson, Playing Field Chairman, says that the Sports Council have admitted the difficulty caused by the combination of their rules and their empty coffers. They have now waived the requirement that grant applications must be submitted before any work has started. So some work can be done without ruining hopes of a grant.

A Committee Meeting on 7th June is likely to confirm the decision to press ahead at once, using funds already in hand. Work literally on groundwork - water, sewage, foundations - will start this month and go on as long as the cash lasts. The more volunteer labourers there are, the longer that will be. Meanwhile, the Committee hope that the Barn Dance below will prove as popular (and profitable) as previous ones.

Roos Playing Field Committee

Barn Dance

with

Vince Green's Vipers + Disco

Elms Farm, Roos, 8.00 p.m. - 1.00 a.m.

Friday 16th June

Admission (on entry or ticket in advance) ; £2.50.

Bar and Barbecue Supper available.

Roos School P.T.A

Summer Fair

Saturday 24th June

2.00 - 4.00 at the School.

See the Fire Brigade - Meet the Police

Pupils' Country Dancing - Children's Competitions

Pet Show - Tombola - Raffle - Teas & Refreshments

and many other stalls.

ALL WELCOME

Women's Institute

In the absence of the President, the May meeting was chaired by Mrs I. Helliwell, who also read Mrs Hornby's interesting report of the Spring Council. Resolutions to be debated at the A.G.M. in London were circulated for comment and discussion.

For those who visited Hollym WI in April, the warmth of their welcome and the superb entertainment of the three talented guest artistes had provided a night to remember.

The speaker for May was to have been Rev. T.C. Willis - on "Ghosts and Hauntings". Unforeseen circumstances prevented him from coming. (Had he been spirited away?). Mrs V. Cooke was fortunately able to fill in at very short notice, displaying yet another talent. She had been invited to come later in the year to present her dried- and pressed-flower arrangements. Instead, she brought her book, "Posies in Patchwork", from which she read stories of her childhood, early working days, and life as a mother and farmer's wife. All were vividly expressed and produced laughter and stirred the memories of her audience.

At the June meeting, Mr B. Wymark will show slides of special housing for the blind. Members are asked to bring small perfumed posies that can be taken to these homes to bring fragrance to the residents' lives.

Hostesses for the evening were Mrs Joyce Grant and Mrs Jennifer Grant. Mrs Joyce Grant also won the monthly competition with a very attractive beach bag. The vote of thanks was given by Mrs C. Farrington.

C.F.

Christian Aid

The house-to-house collection raised £100. Grateful thanks to all who contributed.

M.G.

A History of Roos (7)

The previous article - Part 6 - based on Mr Wilbraham's "History" appeared in the April issue. As before, the version below is a loose summary of the original and does not reproduce it word for word.

Roos under the Tudor Kings and Queens 1485 - 1603

Great changes in the religious life of Roos people began in the reign of Henry VIII. Instead of the Pope, the King became Head of the Church in England. A copy of the Scriptures in English was ordered to be placed in every Parish Church in England and the people now heard the Bible read in their own tongue. Copies of this Bible are not now in existence, no doubt destroyed when Queen Mary restored the old religion and the Vulgate, the Latin Bible, once more came into use. With the accession of Queen Elizabeth in 1558 the country once more became Protestant and has been so ever since.

Rectors and Patrons

Until this time the Priory of Kirkham had continued to nominate Rectors. When Henry VIII dissolved the monasteries, appointments reverted to the lord of the manor.

A little is known about some of the Rectors of this period. Richard Bryndholm, Rector from 1472, resigned in 1483 to become Treasurer and a Canon of York Minster. John Morwyn, Canon of Kirkham, instituted in 1506, had 100s (i.e. 100 shillings) and a silver candlestick willed to him. John Manners, Rector from 1528 to 1563, lived through most of the changes of the Reformation. In his later years he was an ill man and absent from a Visitation in 1559; a Curate, W. Gowle, took his services. He died in 1564 and was buried in the chancel of his church. He was the last Rector to be appointed by Kirkham Priory.

The Changes Take Hold

At first the Break with Rome did not materially affect the folk under the parson's care. Henry VIII still adhered to the Doctrine of the Church in England. There was no change in the services. The parson continued saying masses, used time-honoured ceremonial and observed the many saints' days. Life had not altered yet, in spite of news leaking through of the monasteries being closed at Meaux, Swine, Nunkeeling and elsewhere outside Holderness.

But changes began. If Church dignitaries were not Reformation-minded they were dismissed. By the end of the short reign of Henry's son, Edward VI, masses had been banned and a Book of Common Prayer had been introduced for Protestant England. Common folk must have been upset at losing forms of worship that had coloured their whole lives from birth to death.

Parson Manners had become Rector four years before

the Break with Rome. It would be interesting to know what he thought of these changes. Perhaps, like other parsons, he was not entirely in sympathy. In 1553 came news of the death of Edward VI and the activities of the Reformers came to a full stop. Queen Mary reintroduced the old religion - and still Parson Manners was Rector.

Stocktaking

A year earlier, on August 20th 1552, Commissioners had interviewed John Besabell, curate; the churchwardens Nicholas Richardson and John Jarrett; and Edward Kirbie and Nicholas Rame, parishioners. They found that Roos Church still possessed:

- one challes of silver
- one vestment of blew
- one sewitt of blake fustian
- one old vestment of red silk
- two copes of says (a kind of serge)
- three towells (for wiping altar vessels)
- one pair of orgains (i.e. an organ)
- one pix (tablet with a figure of the Crucified Saviour for to people to kiss at the end of Mass)
- one rachett
- one surplis
- three belles to stepill
- one crosse with a clothe

At the Accession of Queen Mary, Parson Manners dusted off his Missal and once more brought out the ceremonial items and cherished vestments.

However, Mary's reign was short. On her death in 1558, Elizabeth I restored the Church of England and Parson Manners served the Protestant faith yet again for five further years before he died.

Church Registers

Another innovation of Henry VIII was his decree that from Michaelmas Day 1538 each parish church should keep a register of baptisms, marriages and burials. Only 812 church registers survive from this date - and there is none for Roos. Perhaps, like others, Parson Manners resisted change and kept no records, though no doubt many were lost through fire or damp.

Manners was followed as Rector by Nicholas Cooke in 1563 and James Gibson (alias Dickson) in 1571. Both were nominated by the lord of the manor at the time; respectively Henry and Edward, 2nd and 3rd Earls of Rutland. When Parson Gibson died in 1588 he was buried in the Choir of Roos Church. It was when Gibson became Rector that registers were first kept. Early entries read as follows:

Elizabeth Dockeray, wife of Henry Dockeray, was buried the eleventh day of June 1572.
John Grymestone, sonne of Marmaduke Grymestone, was baptized the xix day of July 1572.
Thomas Cottome and Jelyane Rose were maryed the xth day of August 1572.

Plague

George Holden was instituted as Rector in 1558. Because the lord of the manor, Lady Elizabeth Ros, was a minor, he was nominated by the Crown - Queen Elizabeth I. He died after a rectorate of twenty-one years.

Holden had an unhappy introduction to Roos as a plague was raging when he arrived. For the five years up to 1558 the average annual death rate was twelve but in that year the number rose alarmingly. The register records his comment: "in Sickness Time". Eight died in the month of March, thirty in April, and ten in May. In a few households the entire family was struck down with a pestilence that did not abate till the end of the year.

Registers of other coastal villages tell the same story. It has been suggested that a shipwrecked galleon from the Spanish Armada may have been the cause - that the crew were suffering from a fever brought about by weeks at sea without wholesome food. However that may be, the fact remains that our village was visited by a scourge that contemporary medicine could not cure.

The Elizabethan Poor Law Act

There appears to have been an increase in poverty in Elizabethan times. Possible causes were the effects of the 1st Agrarian Revolution, the closing of the Monasteries and the end of the Guilds. The Church had traditionally made itself responsible for relief of the poor. There was an injunction that there should be a "por box" placed in the Church, but these voluntary methods could not meet the situation.

Each parish was now made responsible for its own poor. Overseers were elected annually to assess property, to levy and collect rates, and use the proceeds to alleviate the wants of the poor in their own parish. No names of the early Overseers have been preserved, though an Overseer's account book, 1706-1785, is referred to in a manuscript book once owned by Rev. John Simpson. In the Roos Archives there do survive the Overseer's account book and vestry minutes from 1797 to the next Poor Law Act of 1834.

Church Registers

Henry VIII had required church registers to be kept. A further Order was enacted requiring every parish to transcribe entries from the old paper books in a parchment book, each page to be authenticated by the signature of the Minister and Churchwardens. The Roos registers had been in use for thirty years before such signatures were seen: George Holden, Minister; John Kitchen, Christopher Kerbie, Churchwardens. Later, the registers were initialled after the last entry of each year - 31st March.

Because the first volume of the Roos registers was being spoilt by damp, Canon Machell had a small number of copies printed. The register is divided

into sections:

Up to page 48	Mixed entry	1571 - 1611
Pages 49 - 68	Baptisms	1611 - 1679
Pages 79 - 93	Weddings	1612 - 1678
Pages 93 to end	Burials	1611 - 1679

The later register below has also been copied but in typescript:

Baptisms 1692- 1784; Burials 1695 - 1783;
Marriages '11 - 84 (1711 - 1784?)

Churchyard Find

In 1904 the sexton found an Elizabethan relic in the churchyard, a silver coin dated 1572. It was inscribed:

Eliz, D.G. Ang. Fra. et Hi, Regina

and on the reverse side:

The Royal Coat of Arms and motto - "Posui Deo,
Adjuterem Meum" (I have set God as my helper).

Clergy

The Domesday Book testifies that Roos had a church and a priest in the time of William the Conqueror - and probably for many years or even centuries before. According to Mr Wilbraham, the earliest priest whose name is recorded was Walter de Kirkham. His list from the early 13th century onwards is reproduced on the next page.

The list may be useful for future reference. As his history comes closer to the present and more facts are known, Mr Wilbraham increasingly relates the life of the church and its incumbents to the life of the village generally. And at a time when we are looking for the coming of a new Rector, it is impressive - and probably will be to him! - to note the long line of those who have served in this parish before him.

Coming Events

June

- 7 Roos WI, Memorial Institute, 7.15. Mr B. Wymark (Hull & E.R. Institute for the Blind).
- 12 Parish Council, Memorial Institute, 7.30.
- 14 St Andrew's University Madrigal Group, St Augustine's Church, Hedon, 7.30.
- 16 Barn Dance & Barbecue, Elms Farm, 8.00 - 1.00.
- 19 Parish Meeting, Memorial Institute, 7.30.
- 25 Methodist Family Service, Memorial Institute, 10.30
- 26, 28, 30. Central Hall, Hull, Satellite relays from Billy Graham's London campaign meetings. Free coaches to Hull from Roos Main St at 6.10, Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

Rooster Deadline

Monday 26th June

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

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

Rectors and Patrons of Roos Church

<u>Date of Institution</u>	<u>Incumbents</u>	<u>Patrons</u>
H. II	Dms. Walter de Kirkham	Prior of Kirkham
3 Nones April 1223	Dms. Roger de Heddon	The same.
4 Cal. May 1245	Mag. Adam de Cornubia	The same.
8 Edward I. 1280	Roger de Heslerton	The same.
7 Cal. August 1292	Mag. William de Pothe	The same.
1295	Adam de Hertford	"In commendam"
August 1301	Mag. Robert de Corebrigg	Prior and Con. de Kirkham.
1347	Mag. Nicholas de Watre	The same.
1349	Mag. William de Watre	The same.
2nd February 1350	John Collyer	The same.
1393/4	Dms. John Wylton alias de Newburgh	The same.
16th June 1399	Doms. John Bygott	The same.
Ult. July 1417	Dms John de Otteley	The same.
28th November 1442	Dms. Wilson Wyvell	The same.
7th December 1465	Bartholomew Radclyff	The same.
5th April 1466	Mag. Adam Morland, Rural Dean	The same.
3rd March 1472	Dms. Richard Bryndholm, Cap.	The same.
20th July 1485	Dms John Cromwell, Cap.	Archbishop "in commendam".
20th May 1486	Dms. Robert Thirstane, Cap.	Prior and Con. de Kirkham.
1506	Bro. John Morwyn, Canon of Kirkham	Prior and Con. de Kirkham.
2nd June 1509	Mag. Robert Carleton	Assigns of Prior and Con. de Kirkham.
1526 (?)	Robert Tomson	The same.
	Dms John Johnson, al. Milner, Pbr.	The same.
20th February 1528	Mag. John Manners, Clerk. Ob. 1564	The same.
19th August 1563	Nicholas Cooke	Henry, Earl of Rutland.
14th March 1571	James Dickson, alias Gibson	Elizabeth I, Regina. / Ros.
10th October 1588	George Holden	The same, by minority of Lady Elizabeth /
18th February 1609	Marmaduke Broke, M.A.	Thomas Cecil, Lord Burleigh.
13th April 1616	Hugh Denner	The same.
8th October 1620	Hugh Denner, Iterum	James, Rex.
16th April 1627	William Grey, M.A.	William, Earl of Exeter.
(1646)	Anthony Stevenson	
Ult. January 1662	John Shore, Clerk	Elizabeth, Countess of Exeter.
4th February 1692	Charles Bevan, B.A.	John, Earl of Exeter.
21st August 1694	John Bower	The same.
28th September 1726	Edward Robinson, M.A.	Mark Kirby
27th October 1735	Mark Sykes, D.D.	Mark Kirby, jun.
29th October 1783	John Simpson	Sir Christopher Sykes
11th October 1819	Christopher Sykes, B.A.	Sir Mark Sykes
January 1841	Charles Hotham, M.A.	Sir Tatton Sykes.
22nd September 1866	Richard Beverley Machell, M.A.	The same.
17th July 1891	Edward Milsom, M.A.	The same.
29th October 1921	Cyril Lawrence Outram, M.A.	Edward, Caroline, and Cecil Milsom.
17th August 1926	Harold Salisbury Glover, M.A.	The same. / Faith.
8th February 1934	Ernest B. Whalley, A.K.C.	The Society for the Maintenance of the /
1946	Graham Christie, B.A.	The same.
1961	John Featherstone, L.Th.	The same.
1966	James Woodhouse, B.A.	The same.
	Eric Richards	
	Joseph Thomas Davies (Father Aquinas)	

This list is Mr Wilbraham's, supplemented, from 1946 onwards, by data from a Church Guide probably printed in the sixties. The list has the note: "Revised and corrected for this booklet by Rev. N.A.H. Lawrence, Rector of Walkington, to whom thanks are due."

Mr Wilbraham's list is fuller than that in the Guide, which gives, for example, the year of institution but not the date of the month. There are also one or two conflicts of fact. In such instances Mr Wilbraham's version has been followed, not the "corrected" one.