



# THE ROOSTER

## Roos Village Newsletter

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### Parish Council

Councillor G.E. Winter chaired the meeting of 12th March. All members were present except Councillor Cook, who had sent his apologies.

#### Minutes

The February Minutes were approved. Three matters arose from the Minutes.

Bus Shelter. The Parish Clerk had details of various designs. The cost of a three-bay shelter (approximately £1,200) was thought to be high. The Clerk was asked to explore two other options: having a shelter built; acquiring a second-hand shelter that was no longer being used.

Speed Limit. The Director of Technical Services acknowledged receipt of the traffic survey by Roos residents. He said that it would be useful in evaluating the results of his vehicle speed survey in Roos. His Department also hoped to improve signing and carriageway markings on the bend in Main Street. He assumed that this work would be carried out in conjunction with reconstruction work on the B1242.

#### Planning

Planning consents by the Borough Council

Plot 1, east of The Chestnuts, Rectory Road (J.S. Blyth & Partner). Consent for amended plans with various conditions, including: protection of four trees on land at The Chestnuts; landscaping and vehicular access to be completed before occupation of the proposed dwelling; screening of the north-western boundary.

South of Pinfold Lane (V.W. & A.C. Maltas). Outline approval for replacement of a grain store with two dwellings.

Plot 8, "Rosse Green" (Mr R. Llanwarne). Bungalow and double garage. The Parish Council noted the "Rosse Green" address and agreed once again to stress to the Borough Council and the Small Estates Office at

County Hall that the road should be called South Park, of which it was a continuation.

Objection to a previous application.

Rose Cottage, Pinfold Lane, Roos. The owner (Mr J. Smales) opposed the application to erect two semi-detached dwellings next to his property. He had given his reasons in a letter to the Borough Council, with copies both to the Water Authority and Roos Parish Council. Sewage was already a health risk; effluent from the neighbouring farm was leaking as far as his own gate. The proposed development would exacerbate the problem. He was also concerned that the development would lead to parking on a narrow and dangerous road. The Parish Council shared Mr Smales's concern and appreciated the action he had taken.

#### Outstanding application

Roston Road, Tunstall. (Mr & Mrs F.A. Grassby). Detached dwelling, septic tank, two calf units. The Parish Council had discussed the application in February but a decision was deferred pending an enquiry about planning policy. The advice given was unhelpful: it stated the minimum distance needed between an intensive livestock unit and a residential settlement (Tunstall) whereas the Parish Council was anxious to prevent the opposite effect - the spread of buildings (including a dwelling) into open country. Though sympathetic to a legitimate wish to expand an existing business, members agreed to record their concern that the application might be a precedent for further incursions into the countryside.

#### New applications

Post Office, Pilmar Lane (Mr & Mrs D. Young). Porch on east side. Supported.

Land adjacent to Rose Cottage, Pinfold Lane (Mr R.M. Denis). Revised plan: for a single dwelling. Supported.

Plot 5. "Rosse Green" (Mr & Mrs P. Anfield). Bungalow, garage, and temporary caravan. Supported.

### Accounts

Payment of £17.00 was approved for hire of the Memorial Institute for three meetings.

### Any Other Business

Association of Parish & Town Councils (Holderness Branch). Councillors Helliwell and Priest reported on a meeting at which Mr R. Taylor, Director of Development, had spoken on "Affordable Housing in Rural Areas". (See the separate item later.) The Parish Council once again discussed this matter but came to no agreed conclusions.

### Parish Council Meeting

Monday 9th April : 7.30 p.m.

in the Memorial Institute.

Members of the public cordially invited to attend.

### Affordable Housing

At the meeting of the Parish and Town Councils Association referred to above, the Holderness Director of Development, Mr R. Taylor, said that in recent years the cost of buying a house had been pushed up by a combination of greed and high mortgage rates. Council house sales - 1,000 in Holderness in the 1980s - had reduced the stock of rented housing and worsened the problem of young people hoping to set up a home. In spite of housing development in Hull, migration to the villages continued.

Households were decreasing. In fact, demand was growing for single-occupancy housing. However, there was little profit in small units : builders in rural areas preferred to build larger and more expensive units beyond the reach of first-time buyers.

Mr Taylor commented on the government's scheme to free land outside normal planning limits in order to provide cheaper homes for first-time buyers. He argued that if there was a need, it must be perceived and assessed locally. In most villages, if a need was established, it would be small - perhaps for five houses, certainly no more than ten. It was important not to do a deal with developers : it would wrong to provide new land for expensive houses on condition that a few cheaper houses were included.

In Walkington, a survey appeared to reveal a need for 35 "cheap" houses but the number would have been suspect if put to the test - and half of the residents who responded opposed any cheap-housing scheme.

If a need ~~were~~ established in a particular village, a housing trust could ensure that the buyers of the cheaper houses did not sell them at a vast profit. A house bought initially at x% of its market value would have to be sold at no more than x% of its valuation at the time of resale.

In order to preserve the rural environment, Mr Taylor wanted to retain planning policy and control. He did not favour breaching control to provide cheaper housing. It was better to encourage a mix of house types, both within communities and within major developments. For first-time buyers, the best solution would be government support for housing associations in rural areas - and a return to council-house building.

### Services in Holy Week

Palm Sunday (8th April). All Saints', Roos. 10.00 a.m. Eucharist. It is hoped that a few pupils from the school will take a small part.

Maundy Thursday (12th April).  
St Margaret's, Hilston. 7.30 p.m.  
Special Eucharist and The Watch.

Good Friday (13th April). All Saints', Roos. 2.00 p.m. Informal Service : "An Hour Before the Cross".

Easter Sunday (15th April). All Saints', Roos. 10.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist.

### Roos W. I.

A group of young Mums attended the March meeting when Mrs J. Guest, a dietician with the Family Practitioner Committee, showed how a correct diet can not only reduce obesity but even alleviate some allergies and behavioural problems. Mrs Adelaide Hoodless, founder of the W.I. movement in 1897, feared that her ignorance of child care had led to the death of one of her babies. She would have been delighted by the advance in the education of women.

On 21st February there was a surprise start to the lovely Birthday Dinner at the Northfield. Mrs K. Nelson presented each member with a gorgeous corsage. The happy vein continued with a splendid meal and dancing to the music of Frank Thompson.

On 28th February Roos came third overall in the Spring Bulb Show at Hedon but our Institute entry - Mrs Nelson's clever interpretation of "In Celebration of 75 glorious years" - retained the Cup.

Mrs C.Houlton's bran loaf won the March competition. The competition subject for April will be a decorated hard-boiled egg. Chocolate eggs for distribution to Linnaeus House children will be gratefully received.

At April's meeting, Mr Ernie Teal, a keen amateur ornithologist, will speak on "Birds in My Life" (not on the Walkington Hayride, as previously advertised). The date of the meeting - April 4th; the time - 7.15 p.m.; as usual, we look forward to your company.

C.F.

### Spring

A tiny flower, a scented rose, a stately tree;  
A spreading bush, a new spring lamb;  
A blade of grass, a humble weed;  
A joyful bird and little bee,  
The tender breeze and glorious sun,  
The gentle rain and fertile soil;  
The awakening light and secret dusk,

This lovely earth we call the world -  
So full of strife and hate;  
So many tears, so much to fear;  
The piteous haste, the monstrous waste.

Oh, man!  
With eyes and ears and senses free,  
You hear but do not listen,  
You look but do not see,

Veritas P.

### The Rooster

I am pleased to acknowledge generous contributions to the newsletter from :

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This is the second issue of the newsletter to be printed in Hull. The cost compares very favourably with that of our previous method of reproduction.

One of the drawbacks is that the printer's premises are off Hawthorne Avenue (between Hessle Road and Anlaby Road). Two return journeys are needed - to deliver the material and later to collect the printed copies. I should be grateful to hear from anyone who could provide a courier service, perhaps someone who works nearby.

In response to my previous appeal I have been offered assistance with photo-copying and typing but have had no offers to take on the actual editing of "The Rooster" in the event of my departure. The basic needs are : a few days' work each month; some expertise (or confidence) in writing and editing; a typewriter or word-processor.

L.H.

### Coming Events

#### April

- 1 All Saints', Roos, Sung Eucharist, 10.00.
- Football, Roos 'A' v National Tigers, Away.
- 4 Roos WI, Memorial Institute, 7.15, Mr Ernie Teal :  
The Birds in My Life.
- 8 Palm Sunday, All Saints', Roos, 10.00, Sung Eucharist.
- Football, Roos 'A' v Gardeners', Away.
- 12 Maundy Thursday, St Margaret's, Hilston, 7.30.  
Special Eucharist and The Watch.
- 13 Good Friday, All Saints', Roos, 2.00.  
Informal Service : "An Hour Before the Cross".
- 15 Easter Day, All Saints', Roos, 10.00, Sung Eucharist.
- 21 Horticultural Society Spring Show, Mem.Inst, 2.00.
- 22 All Saints', Roos, Sung Eucharist, 10.00.
- 29 All Saints', Roos, Sung Eucharist, 10.00.  
Methodist Family Service, Memorial Institute, 10.30.

#### May

- 2 Roos WI, Memorial Institute, 7.15, Mrs Winifred Ogram :  
AGM Resolutions.

#### July

- 14 Horticultural Society 48th Annual Summer Show.

### In Praise of Olive

Olive our warden looks after us all.  
She's always ready for every call.  
She brings the medicines for those in need  
And does our shopping with cheerful speed.

If we need her help we can use the phone  
With never a fear that she'll grumble or moan.  
She's always there, by day and night,  
And if things go wrong she puts them right.

"Hello," she says. "How are things with you?"  
Though she's a lot to do and a family too.  
She's not always well and it must be hard  
To hear others' troubles strung out by the yard.

She's ambassador, mother who hears all our woes,  
And a real good pal with whom anything goes.  
We trust her with secrets that she'd never tell;  
She's as firm as a rock and sound as a bell.

A real saint upon earth is this lady fair.  
Let each and every one send up a prayer :  
"Lord, look after our Warden with gentle care  
And make all her burdens easier to bear."

Didi.



## Football : Roos 'A'

### Roos A 3; Deborah B 2

Roos returned to action after a three-week lay-off with this difficult fixture, away to a Deborah side that had just hit top spot of the league.

From the kick-off Roos scored their earliest-ever recorded goal. In a back pass to his keeper, the Deborah centre back failed to spot Dave Hampton steaming in behind him. Dave's pace beat the keeper and he prodded a short pass to Charlie Butler who shot into an empty net.

The goal stung Deborah and galvanised Roos into constant action. However, as Deborah's defence caved in under incessant pressure, the Roos attackers squandered chance after clear-cut chance and could have qualified for charitable status.

As often happens, because Roos could not find the net, Deborah picked themselves up to equalise. Andy Storey hit an attempted clearance straight at a delighted Deborah forward who promptly returned the ball into the Roos penalty area where it was swiftly slipped in by an alert centre forward. For almost the first time Deborah had ventured into the Roos half but they capitalised on it well to level at 1 - 1.

To show that it could be done, Roos went back in front almost at once. After another sweeping move involving several players, the admirable Geoff Newton had only the keeper to beat. He placed his shot so coolly into the bottom corner of the net that it seemed incredible that anyone could ever miss.

Having weathered the early storm, Deborah came back strongly in the second half. Play was more even in this period, though Sean Royce carried on the first-half pattern by missing a simple first-minute chance.

Deborah deservedly equalised midway through the half. A Chris Hodgson back-pass forced keeper Pete Dearing to bring down a forward left clear by this error. The resultant penalty was easily converted.

Play was now end-to-end, both sides having chances. Then Roos took the lead again. A brilliant run and cross from the right by Dave Hampton produced a super header from Geoff Newton into the top corner. This proved to be the winning goal. Narrowly surviving two further near chances, Roos took both points from a game that should have been over by half time.

### Roos A 1; Oliver Williams 0

As a spectacle, this game was spoilt by a gale-force wind blowing down the pitch. It was difficult to walk, never mind run and control a football. In the other half players had to be faster than Linford Christie to catch a ball running away at 100 m.p.h. Neither side could cope with the conditions and Roos finally won the lottery with a goal direct from a corner kick by Darren Staff.

### Roos A 2; Deborah B 3

For this hastily-rearranged return fixture Deborah had a much stronger side, including at least two regular players in the N.E. Counties League.

They were determined to avenge their previous defeat and posed immediate problems for the Roos defence, taking the lead from a penalty when Geoff Newton was judged to have handled the ball inside the box. This was a harsh decision. Bobbling on the difficult surface, the ball hit Geoff's hand and was not deliberately handled. Despite vigorous Roos protests to the referee, the penalty was given and easily converted.

This early reverse unsettled Roos and Deborah soon increased their lead when appallingly slack defence allowed a visiting forward acres of space and time to place a shot well wide of Jon Dearing in goal.

Roos picked up their game with excellent grafting football. Superb approach play from Sean Royce and Dave Hampton led to a slick goal from Andy Storey. On top now, Roos attacked continually but could not find that final punch to score again.

Then disaster struck. The Roos defence and goalkeeper allowed a harmless-looking free kick from the left touchline to bounce in the six-yard box without attempting to clear it. The whole defence looked aghast as it bounced slowly off the post into the path of a Deborah forward, who was left with a simple tap into an empty net. A dreadful goal to concede.

Once again Roos were two goals behind, a margin of their own making. Finding inner reserves of strength, however, they pulled back to 3 - 2. Dave Cowell, in the clear after an excellent through ball, raced into the penalty box only to be unfairly brought down by a despairing rear tackle. On a bone-hard pitch, it was an uncomfortable experience, as Dave will testify. The penalty awarded was put away superbly by Andy Storey, in commanding form throughout the game.

After this all-action first half, the second was a damp squib. Both defences were dominant, allowing the forwards no chances. Dave Hampton came closest with a right-foot floater from the edge of the box which unfortunately curled the wrong side of the post.

So ended Roos's magnificent run of eleven matches without defeat (8 wins and 3 draws). Roos had surged to third in the division but with only two teams to be promoted the defeat is a real setback.

### Roos A 0; St Peter's 0

Against opponents who themselves had promotion pretensions and, before last week's defeat, had been the last league team to defeat Roos, way back in early November, this promised to be a classic confrontation. The promise was not fulfilled, however. A strong wind - the scourge of this season -

and a bone-hard pitch (almost as wide as ours is long) proved too much for both sides. With woefully weak finishing, neither looked capable of scoring.

Two glaring defensive errors by Roos gave St Peter's excellent early scoring chances which they squandered by dreadful shots. At the other end, Roos could not convert sometimes excellent approach play into goals, a weakness that will ultimately cost promotion.

The second period was no better. On a massive pitch, neither side posed real problems for the other's defenders, although the referee did his best for St Peter's with some "puzzling" decisions.

Only in the game's dying moments did Roos produce some fire. Andy Storey, the only player to emerge with credit, pulled out an excellent foot-of-the-post save from the St Peter's keeper and later, after a corner kick, fired a cracking shot that hit the post.

Another point dropped virtually ensures that Roos will not play in the Premier League next season. New Inn and National Tigers both took maximum points from their last two games and seem certain to be promoted. The fixture against National Tigers will decide - 1st April at William Gee School. The week after, against Gardeners' on the University ground, Roos play their last game of the season.

R.D.

## A History of Roos - 11

### Beware - Invaders!

*This item continues the summary of the late Mr G.W. Wilbraham's History. As before, a good deal has been omitted and some sections have been simplified and reworded. On this occasion, I have in places broken up some rather weighty quotations with linking comments of my own, printed in italics.*

L.H.

### Beating of the Bounds

Periodically, ancient parish boundaries were confirmed by a "perambulation" in a ceremony called "the beating of the bounds". On Ascension Day - Holy Thursday - the parson, church officials, and other parishioners, followed by the boys of the village carrying peeled willow wands, used to go in procession around the parish boundaries. The boys struck the boundaries with their wands - and sometimes were themselves whipped at important points to "make them remember."

Perambulations had to be paid for and were therefore recorded in the Churchwardens' Accounts. Mr Wilbraham quotes the cost in various years, including the expensive year 1701 when there was a resort to legal arbitration.

### Arbitration

The preamble to the Arbitration Award of 1701 explains the problem :

...great variance, Strife and Debate hath heretofore been had betwene the inhabitants of Rosse in Holderness ... of, for and concerning the Settling the Bounders and Limitts of certaine lands and grounds Lying and being within the Lordship Township Territory & precincts of Grinston in Holderness aforesaid in ye County aforesaid Betweene the aforesaid Parishes of Rosse and Garton...

Residents in the disputed areas had agreed in advance

to accept the decision of the arbitrators :

... for ye approfing & ending whereof Thomas Birkwood, John Ganton, William Mercer, Thomas Dixon, Joceline Webster & Robert Allman as well on ye behalfe of themselves their and every of their heirs, Executors & Administrators and Every of them as on the behalves and with ye Consents, Assents & Agreemts of all & every the respective parishioners & Inhabitants Liveing & being within ye said parrishes of Rosse & Garton aforesaid have submitted ymselves Either to the Other by their several Writeings Obligatory .... to stand obey abide observe fulfill & keep the arbitrimnt award order Judgem't finall end & Determinacon...

The arbitrators, John Thorpe and Joseph Storr, had done their homework :

NOW KNOW YEE THAT We ye said arbitrators have taken upon us ye Busynesse charge of ye same award and wil to sett ye parishioners att peace and Concord by making a finall End & Determinacon concerning the premises in Controversy & having taken good advice & deliberation & viewed the ground and heard ye testimony & witsnesse of diverse antient men & neighbours dwelling nigh ye said ground as touching ye Bounders of ye same DOE make publish declare & give upp this our award ...

Eventually, they declared what their researches had established as a fair share for Roos :

One close of meadow or pasture ground commonly called and known by ye name of Bracken Hill and one close of meadow or pasture ground commonly called or known by ye name of the East middle field & all those closes of meadow or pasture ground commonly called or knowne by ye name of the Great Cow Close & ye little Cow Close and ye ground all along ye West side of ye sever to a certaine place called ye Beckhole & soe from ye said Beckhole all along the sea cliffe to a certain headland being and lying in a certain field called and knowne by ye name of Beackon Field & so from thence Southwards to ye Cow Close aforesaid.

On the other hand the arbitrators decided :

... as to all the Closes and lands fields and premisses westward of the grounds aforesaid & lying and being within the aforesaid Lordshipp Towneshipp Territorys and precincts of Grimston aforesaid wee doe award arbitrate and order to be within ye parish of Garton aforesd...

Mr Wilbraham notes that there could have been no real doubt that Bracken Hill was part of Roos parish. He quotes Churchwardens' accounts to show that taxes had regularly been collected from this area.

### Garton at it again

A hundred years later, the Rector of Roos, John Simpson, felt the need to revive the practice of beating the bounds since the devious Gartonites were up to their old tricks. On 3rd May 1807 the Rector

showed his exasperation by publishing this notice :

"As PERAMBULATION has been much neglected in this parish for years past, by reason whereof encroachments have been and are still attempted to be made by the inhabitants of Garton to the great diminution of the rights of the parish of Roos; and as frequent and regular holding of perambulations, according to the Injunctions of the late Queen Elizabeth, would in great measure prevent the Limits of Parishes being called in question, Notice is hereby given to the Churchwardens and sidesmen of this parish that they do meet on Thursday next, which will be Ascension Day, in Hilston Churchyard and from thence, at the Hour of Ten in the Forenoon, proceed to perambulate and walk about the circuits, as accustomed, of all the lands and grounds of Thomas Grimston, Esq., within the limits of the parish of Roos and from thence to proceed to the Township of Owtswick and in like manner to walk the limits between the parts of the said township belonging respectively to Garton and Roos parishes."

## The French Wars

During the 18th century there had been a series of wars with France. The century closed with the wars against Revolutionary France and Napoleon. Some Englishmen sympathised with the French Revolution; others condemned it. There was an undercurrent of discontent in England but firm government action kept a check on those who would have followed the French example.

The mood of the authorities is reflected in another document from the Rector, John Simpson. "Published in the time of Divine Service at Roos and Hilston" - on Christmas Day 1792 - it advertises :

a General Meeting of the Lord Lieutenant, the Duke of Leeds, and of the inhabitants of this Riding and the general inhabitants of the town of Kingston upon Hull, to be held on Saturday next at Beverley, in order that each and every good subject, along with that respectable body of men, may have an opportunity of giving a public testimony of their sincere and firm attachment and zeal for the support of our happy constitution and fidelity to the best of Kings.

The Rector goes on :

I think it my duty to inform you thereof in this public manner, as many of you who do not see the Newspapers may not be acquainted therewith. And as every good man must wish for the preservation of his country, his religion and the laws, without which neither life nor liberty, peace nor property nor personal security can be enjoyed, or in any wise insured, their loyal wishes, on this occasion, will not only have the best effect when thus openly avowed, but will also bring honour and confidence, credit and esteem upon themselves, by thus expressing their abhorrence of the wicked principles of all unlawful and seditious meetings and by endeavouring to detect and bring to justice every disturber of the public tranquillity. God save the King and all the faithful subjects of these united kingdoms.

*The Rector made his patriotic appeal at the end of 1792, two months before the war started, in February 1793. He was evidently not so much concerned about a potential enemy as with the threat of public disorder and sedition.*

Apart from a brief interlude after the Peace of Amiens in 1802, the conflict did not end until the defeat of Napoleon at Waterloo in 1815.

### Cash for the War Effort

By 1797 the war had cost England millions of money. In spite of the great hardships on account of dear food, many villages opened subscription lists for the public services and our village took a share.

*(Was the Rector of Roos once again a leading light?)*

March 7th 1798. At a meeting of the parishioners in the Vestry room of the parish church of Roos on Wednesday the 7th day of March 1798, assembled for the purpose of considering the necessity of promoting voluntary contributions for the public service, it was resolved that this instrument be presented for the reception of such contributions and signature for voluntary contributions, in support of the common welfare of these kingdoms; and we, whose names are subscribed, agree to contribute the several sums annexed to our respective signatures, as a voluntary aid in support of the government.

Resolved also, that the Minister and churchwardens do receive such sums as the parishioners shall think proper to contribute. And, that their loyal and well-timed contributions may remain upon record through the present and future generations, it is resolved that the names of all persons who shall contribute any even the smallest sum be put in a list, together with the sum subscribed, and into the church register, as a lasting memorial of their loyalty, and the just esteem in which they held not only their own, but also their country's welfare.



## Threat of Invasion

By the end of 1797 England was Napoleon's only enemy and invasion became likely. Camps of Militia were set up along our coasts, as the Parish registers testify.

On 30th June 1798, William Lees, aged 21, late of Mirfield, mason, of the 5th West York Supplementary Militia at Tunstall Camp, was drowned while bathing in the sea. On 10th September 1798, William Torr, private in the Nottingham Militia, was married to Ann Toon at Kilnsea. On October 29th 1806, Minna, daughter of John Suffolk, a private in the Warwickshire Militia, was baptised at Outhorne.

## Pressed Men and Proxies

In 1804, when invasion seemed imminent, parishes had to provide men to serve in the Militia. Failure to do so attracted fines to support general recruitment.

*The accounting procedures were quite complex. In the example below, an unnamed Roos man found a substitute to take his place in the East York Militia. The substitute, Jesse Burrell, was from the West Riding. Accordingly, the East Riding Treasurer had to pay the West Riding Treasurer the going weekly rate and recover the sum from Overseers of the Poor in Roos.*

### East Riding of the County of York

The account of the Treasurer of the said Riding, of money paid to the Treasurer of the West Riding, on account of the family of Jesse Burrell, serving in the East York Militia as a hired substitute for ----- of the township of Roos which militia is now embodied and in actual service. From the 10th day of October 1809 to the 3rd day of January following, being twelve weeks, at 2/- per week £1: 4s.

I do certify that the above account was allowed by me, one of His Majesties (sic) Justices of the Peace for the said Riding, this last day of May 1810.

Charles Constable.

To the Overseers of the Poor of Roos, I, the said Justice, do hereby order and require you forthwith to reimburse and pay out of your Poor's Rate, unto the Chief Constable of your division, for the use of the said Treasurer, the above sum £1: 4s so advanced and paid by him as aforesaid. Given under my hand and seal this first day of May 1810.

Charles Constable.

*The complications increased if the substitute had a wife and child.*

Borough of HEDON in the East Riding of Yorkshire to the Overseers of the Poor for the Township of Roos.

WHEREAS proof upon oath has been made before me by Francis Therp, Overseer of the Poor of the Parish of Hedon in the said Riding, that he hath paid to Sarah Bishop, wife of John Bishop, a Militiaman serving in the East York Militia for Richard Escreet of your township and to Robert Bishop, infant son of the said Sarah Bishop now deceased, the sum of four pounds and thirteen

shillings, that is to say the sum of four pounds and four shillings to the said Sarah Bishop for 56 weeks at one shilling and sixpence per week up to the ninth of May 1810, and nine shillings to the said Robert Bishop for six weeks at one shilling and sixpence per week up to the 2nd of September 1809 pursuant to order made for that purpose.

You are hereby required on sight hereof to pay to the said Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Hedon the sum of four pounds and thirteen shillings and you will charge the same in your accounts in like manner as other expenses incurred by the Militia are charged.

Given under my hand and seal this 12th day of May in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ten.  
Henry Hansley.

*Overseers of the Poor had not only to raise the money stipulated; they were required to raise it in proportion to the obligations of their constituent townships - Roos included Tunstall and Hilston. It must have been a bureaucratic headache.*

### East Riding of the County of York and Town and County of Kingston upon Hull

We, two of His Majesty's Deputy-Lieutenants for the East Riding of the County of York, and Town and County of the town of Kingston upon Hull, and acting for and within the sub-division of Middle Holderness, do hereby authorise and require you to pay out of a rate to be made after the manner of the Poor Rate, excepting out of the same all persons who have served by themselves or substitutes, or are now serving in the militia, to RICHARD WALLIS of your township, within such sub-division, the sum of Twenty-four Pounds, he having been allotted into the Militia of the said Riding, Town and County; also having made oath that he is not possessed of an estate in Land, Goods, or Money, of the clear value of Four Hundred Pounds; and also having provided a Substitute who hath been Sworn and Enrolled in the said Militia, pursuant to the Act of Parliament in that case made. Given under our hands this 16th day of November 1811.

J. Lundy. Chas. Constable.

The above sum must be raised by the Townships respectively, according to the number of men liable to serve in each when the ballot took place.

Roos 32. Tunstall 6. Hilston 5.  
Roos Camp. A field on the Tunstall Road (39 acres) still bears the name Camp Close, presumably the site of a camp in those days.

## Rooster Deadline

Monday 23rd April

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

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