



The **Rooster**

FUTURE LOOKING DIM FOR OUT OF SCHOOL CLUB

More children are urgently needed to attend the out-of-school club in the Playing Field Pavilion if it is to remain open.

Over the last year numbers have dropped to an all-time low with average attendance now less than six at each after-school session. For the club to be able to continue numbers of children attending each session will have to more than double.

A recent donation of £100 from the Friends of Roos WI Bingo enabled us to replace the worn-out easy chairs in the hall and a grant of £6,150 from Surestart and Early Years at East Riding of Yorkshire Council has secured the club's continuity until the end of this school year. After that the club will not be able to meet its core costs of wages, rent and other overheads unless numbers increase significantly.

Despite a plea for parents and carers to attend the recent Annual General Meeting not one parent turned up.

This apathy is also apparent at fund-raising events which are very poorly supported

The Executive Officer and voluntary management committee have worked very hard over the last ten years to secure funding for the club but in the present economic climate it is impossible to secure grants to cover core costs such as wages and rent.

There will be a management meeting on 18th May when the committee will make a final decision on the continuity of this club, the outcome of which will be reported in the next issue of *The Rooster*.

Jackie Neill Executive Officer WROOSC

HONEYBEE UPDATE

Honeybees have been in the headlines a good deal recently and for good reason - a combination of problems has led to massive losses not only at home but abroad in the last few years. The main culprit is a tiny mite ***Varroa destructor*** that damages the bee pupa and transmits viruses. Due to a lack of Government research, all of our native honeybees have been lost, and as a result, the very valuable role played by domesticated honeybees is ever more important. The bees at Holly Dene survived the winter in reasonable form, with all but two of last year's queens making it through, and the dry start to the year has seen honey stores building up promisingly. Keeping the bees alive is almost a full-time activity, but as I find being covered in bees remarkably relaxing, life could be a lot worse.

Gerard Baker

Residents give thumbs down to Wind Farm proposals

A grim looking outlook! Councillor Jackie Cracknell and Cherie Blenkin, Chair S.H.O.W.T examine EnergieKontor's proposals for the Monkwith Wind Farm.



Members of the public were given the opportunity to view EnergieKontor's slimmed down Wind Farm plans at an exhibition held in the Memorial Institute, Roos, on the Wednesday 22nd April.

The plans now show 3 turbines 111 metres in height instead of the original seven that stood 125 metres from ground level to the tip of their blades.

Cherie commented that the referendum in the village said no to turbines because they will change the character of the Holderness landscape for ever.

ROOS PLAYGROUP

The Roos Playgroup have enjoyed planting sunflower seeds which are hoped will grow over six foot high.

We have learned that birds like blue tits feed on seeds and the children have coloured in pictures of these.

Also we have been visited by some chicks, Everyone recognised the ducklings.

Nasturtiums have also been planted and we hope to plant a few vegetables.

The above is held in the Memorial Institute on Thursdays 9.30am - 11.25am.

Mums, Dads or Guardians must be in attendance.

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Tunstall News

All Saints' Church:

Everyone will have the chance to hear the new pipe organ at the church when it opens its doors for a concert on Thursday, May 28th. The evening will commence at 7.30 pm and will feature the Thorngumbald Choir and guest organist Paul Derrett, a former director of music at Holy Trinity Church in Hull, who also installed the organ. The concert is being organised to raise funds towards its upkeep. A buffet supper at the Village Hall will follow the concert with tickets for the food and music costing £5. Anyone wishing to purchase tickets should call either 01964 670038 or 07747 614740.

Tunstall Village Hall:

Members of the Village Hall Group have been busy working in the community garden. Now that the grass has been cut, the borders weeded and shrubs pruned it looks lovely. This is very much a team effort and we thank everyone for their enthusiasm and support.

Last year we agreed to incorporate regular self-funded 'out and about' events to our calendar and because of its success we agreed at this year's AGM to continue with this format.

April saw the group travel to one of their favourite destinations - a visit to Thompsons Fish Restaurant in Brandesburton. We are always made to feel welcome and we took advantage of the 'specials' for a fish and chip lunch. To work off some of the calories, we then visited the Spring Garden Centre in Siggleshorne, which has recently been expanded to include a larger gift and leisure section. It was a very relaxing afternoon and everyone had such a good time that we hope to return later in the year.

Sea Embankment:

The Environmental Agency completed their site investigation in March.

They are currently awaiting results of the laboratory tests and the final report which are expected in May. This will give an indication of the feasibility of building a new embankment and whether local material can be used to build it. Feedback from contractors has been promising.

Planning permission will have to be obtained for the new bank. This means that construction would be unlikely to start before October at the earliest. As you can appreciate this is not the best time of the year to carry out such work so in the meantime, hopefully, temporary work to strengthen the existing defences can be carried out over the summer period, helping to provide protection during the coming winter. Construction of the new bank will then commence next spring subject to planning approval.

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***Cookery Corner* by Gerard Baker**

Eton – (or should that be Roos) Mess.

I wonder how many of the householders in Cherry Hill Park know that their homes are built on an old rhubarb orchard? I can only just remember Brigham Reed as an old man, but it was his parents that started sending apples and other fruits to the wholesale market in Hull via the village carrier, my great-grandfather Morris Metcalf. Rhubarb would be bundled into boxes and left in a shed at north end from where it would be transported into town. We scumped for apples as children in that magical woodland – overgrown with brambles and nettles – and scarcely noticed the undercrop and its pink stalks.

My grandfather, Harry Baker, was a contemporary of Brigham, and managed to keep two varieties of his rhubarb in the garden at Holly Dene, where I still treasure it. A long-lived crop. Eton Mess is a simple dessert that usually uses strawberries – but rhubarb seems right for this time of year, so why not make some Roos Mess and celebrate the history of our little village. (Where is Eton anyway?)

Serves 4.

Ingredients:

350g rhubarb cut into ½ inch lengths.

Juice of 1 orange

Sugar for sweetening the rhubarb

350mls double cream (the village shop sells Jersey cream at weekends)

4 meringues

Method:

Wash the rhubarb and place the lengths in a large saucepan. Add the orange juice and an equal amount of water. Place the pan over a high heat and bring to a boil stirring so that the rhubarb cooks quickly and the liquid evaporates so that you end up with a relatively dry puree. As soon as the rhubarb breaks down, remove it from the heat and sweeten to taste. Cool. Whip the cream to soft peaks and break into it the meringues. Spoon alternately into individual serving glasses with the rhubarb and serve within half an hour of making.

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Alec's Patch ... By Alec Dodson

Lawns

A few tips if you are re-seeding worn areas of the lawn as a result of winter, children or dogs. Use a fork and a rake to loosen the soil in the areas to make a tilth. Sow the grass seed, rake in and then sieve fine soil over the area. Water often to establish quickly.

Roses

Be on the lookout for Greenfly, these pests soon increase in warm weather. Spray at the first sign with a proprietary killer or soapy water.

Trees & Shrubs

Water newly planted specimens regularly. Evergreens in particular benefit from an overhead spray in the evening.

General

Move container plants and frost sensitive plants outdoors, also bedding plants to harden them off, but watch out for night-time frosts. If frost is forecast move back inside.

Guard against slugs when planting tender plants such as Delphiniums, Lupins etc.

Roos Women's Institute

Roos WI meeting held on Wednesday 6th May at 7.30pm in the Memorial Institute.

The President Mrs H Boynton welcomed members.

The newsletter was read out also correspondence and the board with opportunities of visits and workshops available to members and friends.

Members were encouraged to enter the classes at the Group Rally to be held on the 26th May at Bilton Village Hall.

Our quiz team will be representing us in the next round on the 12th May in Withernsea. Good Luck!

Our speaker for the evening was Mr Barry Cundill, who came to talk to us about the Secret Charles Dickens. Barry had done lots of research into Dickens's life and we learned much that we had no idea about. The V.O.T. was given by Mrs M Winter.

After refreshments were served the competitions were judged. "An Old Book" brought in lots of wonderful material of a bygone age and 1st prize went to Mrs H Armstrong.

The Flower of the month was a wonderful array of colours and varieties and 1st was Mrs B Travis. Thank you all.

After the raffle was drawn Mrs Boynton thanked everyone for attending.

The next meeting will be on 3rd June at 7.30pm.

New members are very welcome.

Heather Boynton

NEWS FROM ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

From: the Rev Pam Burdon.

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Dear Friends in Roos,

It was a great pleasure at the end of last school term to welcome the schoolchildren into church for their Easter service. It was a joyful occasion even though we hadn't quite reached Easter Day. We celebrated the Palm Sunday story with lots of waving of palm branches and shouts of 'Hosanna!' and each child received a palm cross. The children contributed songs and poems and prayers and the youngest children decorated a beautiful 'Easter tree', kindly given to the school and which we were pleased to keep in church over Easter.

Thanks to Mrs. Farey and all staff and parents for all your support. The link between All Saints' church and our Church of England primary school is a very important one.

With good wishes to you all.
Pam Burdon

FUTURE SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

MAY 2009 CALENDAR

17th	Sunday	10.00	Garton	Morning Prayer	Helen Wastling
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev Duncan Harris
		15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion	Rev Jim Campbell
24th	Sunday	09.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion	Rev Ronald Howard
		11.00	Roos	Family Service	Rev Pam Burdon (& Baptism)
		18.30	Garton	Evening Prayer	Rev Stephen Deas
31st	Sunday	11.00	Hilston	Holy Communion	Rev Pam Burdon

JUNE 2009 CALENDAR

7th	Sunday	10.00	Garton	Holy Communion	Rev Tom Gill
		11.00	Roos	Morning Prayer	Collin Reid
14th	Sunday	09.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion	Rev Tony Burdon
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev Pam Burdon
		18.30	Garton	Evening Prayer	Rev Tony Burdon
21st	Sunday	10.00	Garton	Morning Prayer	Helen Wastling
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev Duncan Harris
		15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion	Rev Tony Burdon
28th	Sunday	09.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion	Rev John Waud
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev John Waud
		18.30	Garton	Evening Prayer	Rev Stephen Deas

Methodist services

Roos Memorial Institute

MAY 2009 CALENDAR

17th (No Service)

24th Sunday 10.30 - 11.30

Rev J Brown

31st (No Service)

JUNE 2009 CALENDAR

7th Sunday 11.00 United Service in Roos parish church

14th Sunday 10.30 - 11.30

Mrs J Brown

21st (No Service)

28th Sunday 10.30 - 11.30

Mr T Butcher

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**The absolute deadline for items to be included
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Roos Parish Council Meeting 11th May 2009

All Council members were present.

The April minutes were approved. Extracts below.

The full minutes are posted in the parish notice boards.

Proposed allotments in Roos

Councillor Ward reported that the list of landowners in the parish he had been compiling for the Clerk to contact as to possible availability of land in their ownership for allotment purposes was now complete and that he would be e-mailing the details to the Clerk for appropriate action.

Safe routes to school programme

The Chairman reported that an update was awaited from Mr Lockwood on any progress in his discussions with the other joint developer Mr Hurd in relation to highway and footpath improvements in Greenacre Park.

Councillor Craggs reported that the school had not as yet formulated its safe routes to school programme which would hopefully incorporate a request for a 30mph slow down flashing sign on Main Street.

Highway matters

It was reported that the Chairman and Clerk had met with the Area Engineer of ERYC on the 24th March to highlight numerous highway issues. He had agreed to attend to them in the near future together with the provision of a new give-way sign at the Burton Pidsea/Owstwick Road junction and the installation of gullies at South Park and Cherry Hill Park.

Roos Parochial Church Council

A letter of thanks was received from the Treasurer of the PCC for the donation of £200.00 towards the maintenance of Roos churchyard for 2009.

Tunstall village green

The Chairman reported that Mr Smales and Mr Dry had agreed to maintain the village green on a voluntary basis and that the Clerk had written to ERYC to cancel the agreement with that authority for the maintenance of the area.

Hodgson Lane

It was agreed that an update on the proposed early improvements to the lane be requested of ERYC.

Flooding and related matters

Following the recent site meeting with ERYC a reply from Neil Agar was reported which stated that relevant riparian owners in Lamb Lane had been written to reminding them of their responsibilities. The ditch alongside The Old Rectory had not been attended to and a follow-up letter would now be issued. The root mass identified in Roos Beck under Becksie Manor would shortly be removed by Millers. The overgrown ditch by North End Cottages had now been cleared by Mr Grayson and Mr Agar had met Mr Grayson in relation to water shedding from his land into adjacent gardens. Mr Grayson intended to meet with

Mr Dovey to discuss the problem in the near future.

An e-mail received from Mr Smith of Cherry Hill Park referred to the improvement works in his garden following the June 2007 floods. He was concerned that reinstatement works promised following his agreement to allow works within his garden area had not been forthcoming. It was agreed that the issues be resolved as soon as possible.

The Chairman reported that he had been in contact with Steve Button of ERYC who had agreed that ERYC would fund the necessary works and that the work should be satisfactorily completed within the next two weeks.

Correspondence

Land at South End

An e-mail from Gary Hornsby of Salt Architects acting for Vidi Vici was reported arising from the recent planning approval for the site in which a site meeting was requested with the Council in connection with clients' proposals for the future development of the land in question and it was agreed that the request be agreed to on a non-committal basis and that the meeting be arranged in the near future.

Proposed Monkwith wind farm

Correspondence was received from EnergieKontor together with an accompanying community update and a survey card inviting views on the proposal. At the same time twelve letters were also received from parishioners expressing their concerns that the card basically steers participants towards particular conclusions by asking them which wind farm proposal in the parish they find most acceptable and that a none option should have been included to allow residents to indicate that they do not want any more such developments in the area. It was agreed that the survey card was unethical and that an objection be made to the developers as to its content and that copy letters be sent to ERYC and Graham Stuart MP in the matter.

Planning

Applications

Conversion of existing barn to form swimming pool and gymnasium with solar panels on roof at sides and two no. air source heat pumps to side at Mayfield Farm, Tower Road, Hilston for Mr Cox.

Following the recent site visit it had been agreed that no objections be made on the above proposal.

Erection of a dwelling in connection with vehicle repair workshop at Peart Auto Services, Quaker Road, Owstwick for Mr & Mrs C Peart.

It was reported that the application was a re-submission following refusal by ERYC to allow an earlier application in view of that authority's policy in relation to development in the open countryside and it was agreed to inform ERYC that the council wished to support local businesses in their efforts to remain in business whilst appreciating the planning policy in this particular locality.

Erection of two storey extension to rear following demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of rear detached garage at Field Cottage, Rectory Road, Roos for R Tyson.

It was agreed that no objections be made to the above proposal.

Erection of conservatory to rear following demolition of existing at 9 South Park, Roos for Mr & Mrs Armstrong.

It was agreed that no objections be made to the above proposal.

Any other business

Parish paths

Councillor Dodson reported that access to footpath no. 10 at Tunstall had been blocked off and it was agreed to refer the matter to the Countryside Access Officer of ERYC.

Eastfield estate

It was reported that, following the recent grass cutting by ERYC several residents had expressed concern at the poor workmanship of the gang who had carried out the work and it was agreed that the complaints be passed on to ERYC grounds maintenance for comment.

Public session

Comment was made on the Council's proposed meeting with Mr Hornsby in respect of Mr Lonsborough's land at South End in relation to access and ownership of the boundary hedges on the site.

**Next Parish Council Meeting Monday 8th June 2009
at 7.30 pm in Roos Memorial Institute.**

The Rooster Association - DONATIONS

Apologies to those who have made recent contributions. Due to holidays details will be published in June.

PLEASE NOTE:-Anyone still intending to contribute

Will you please leave all donations in the box at Roos Store in an envelope marked "Rooster" and **not at Ken Cross's house.**

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Local Events

FORS Walking Treasure Hunt

The FORS committee would like to say a big thank you to all who took part in our walking treasure hunt on Sunday 26th April.

The weather was kind to us and 33 teams turned up to tackle "The Quest" which was brilliantly compiled by Harold and Heather Jobling. We extend a special thank you to them for all their time and effort to prepare the hunt and also calculate the scores!

Eventually all the teams managed to return to the Black Horse for pie and peas or hot dogs and a much-needed sit-down. When all the scores were in, the winning team was found to be Sue Simmonds who won an adult picnic hamper and childrens' sweet hamper.

The whole event managed to raise over £300 for the children of Roos School and I think all who took part had fun and enjoyed the afternoon (even in the kitchens cooking 100 meat pies!)

FORS would like to remind everyone of the Summer Fun Day which will take place on Roos School playing field Saturday 13th June. Please come and support us. There will be lots of fun-filled events and don't forget its our School children that benefit.

Tracey Proby

Friends of Roos WI - Pig Bingo

Tuesday 9th June 2009 7.00pm for 7.30pm start

In the Memorial Institute, Roos

+ Raffle

All Welcome Proceeds to good causes.



ROOS ARMS RE-OPENED

Terry & Geraldine would like to welcome all customers both old and new.

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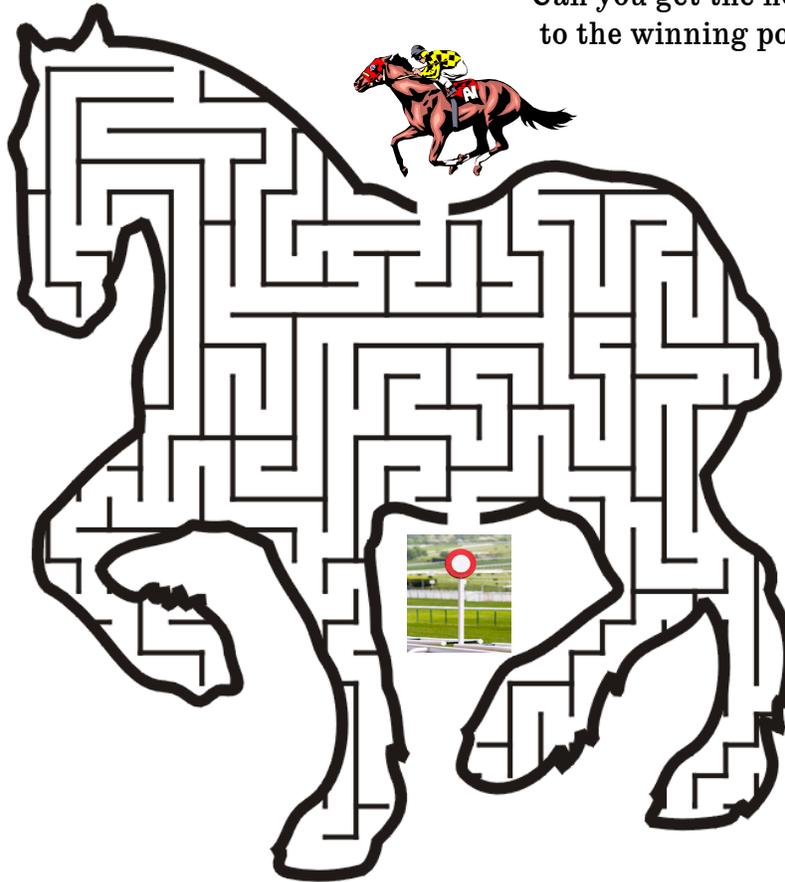
12noon - 2.30pm. Monday & Tuesday parties by arrangement only.



Puzzle Corner

FOR THE KIDS

Can you get the horse to the winning post?



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Solution to the April Puzzle

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