

THE
RASTRICK
CORONATION
CELEBRATIONS
OF
1902 & 1911



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JULY 2019

Dedicated to the memory of my great grand-father

JOHN WILLIAM BOTTOMLEY

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Secretary of the 1902 and 1911 Rastrick Coronation Committee's

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RASTRICK CORONATION COMMITTEE

MINUTE BOOK 1902

1. A joint meeting was held in New Road School on Friday evening, May 23rd when there was present delegates from New Road; Crowtrees and Rastrick Church Sunday and Day Schools.
2. The following resolutions were all unanimously carried
 1. That we celebrate the Coronation of King Edward the VII in the top part of Rastrick
 2. Mr. H. Travis Clay was elected President
 3. Mr. Em. Woffenden was elected Vice President
 4. Mr. W. G. Garthwaite was elected Treasurer
 5. Mr. J. W. Bottomley / Mr. W. Ramsden were elected secretaries
 6. That coffee and buns be provided for all those having their names on the books of the above Sunday or day Schools and that the provisions be served at the various Schools.
 7. That the Secretary and Vice President wait upon the Rastrick C&A.C. and ask them to allow us the use of the cricket field.
 8. That the arrangement made with the Rastrick Orchestra Band be confirmed at a price not exceeding £4.
 9. That we have a bonfire in connection with the celebration.
 10. That the committee have the power to add to their number.
 11. That Dr. Carter be added to the committee.
 12. That we have a United Sing in the cricket field & that the following four hymns be sung. Viz. "The Old Hundred; O God our help in ages past; Jesus shall reign where ere the sun & God Save the King"
 13. That Mr. Louis Woffenden be the conductor.
 14. That we advt. in the 3 local papers
 15. That the next meeting be held on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock in Rastrick Church School, May 28th.

Committee Meeting held May 28th 1902

Mr. H. Travis Clay presiding

Resolved.

1. That the minutes as read by the Secretary be confirmed.
2. The following were elected members of the committee from the Rastrick Cricket Club. Messrs. Ernest Robinson, Harry Redfearn, Harry Sykes, Albert Thorp, Percy Tyne, Johnny Booth & Fred Marshall.
3. That the cricket club be asked if they have any objection to having the bonfire on the top of Round Hill.
4. Dr. Carter promised to undertake the collecting of subscriptions in the Huddersfield Road district.
5. That a collection be made in the three Sunday Schools & the various mills & quarries in Rastrick.
6. Mr. J. Booth promised to see Mr. R. Ormerod & Mr. L. Woffenden promised to see Mr. Fredk. Sutcliffe for a subscription.
7. The following were elected as the Provision Committee. Messrs. Thos. Hinchliffe, Luke Gooder & Fred Pearson.
8. The following twelve gentlemen were elected to the Sports & Bonfire Committee;
9. Rastrick Church – Messrs. C. Carter, Jno. Bottomley & Arnold Thomas
10. Cricket Club – Fred Marshall, Harry Redfearn & Johnny Booth
11. Crowtrees – Hy. Booth, Frank Smith & Sam Sutcliffe
12. New Road – Em. Woffenden, Sam Bentley & H. L. Thornton
13. That Mr. Stanfield's School be asked to join in the celebration.
14. That the Rastrick Grammar School be asked to join in the Sports & Bonfire.
15. That the next meeting be held on Tuesday June 3rd in the Rastrick Church School at 8 o'clock

Committee Meeting held June 3rd 1902

Mr. Em. Woffenden presiding

Resolved.

1. That the minutes as read by the Secretary be confirmed.
2. Mr. Tyne promised to see to the collecting at Messrs. Bentley & Smith's Quarry.
3. Mr. Thos. Hinchliffe = Messrs. Marshall & Sons and Messrs. Marsden & Murgatroyd's Quarry and Mr. Fred Marsden = Messrs. Bentley & Kaye's Quarry.
4. That the Secretary procure six collecting boxes for quarries and mills.
5. The following were the numbers sent in by each school. Viz;

New Road	300
Crowtrees	220
Rastrick Church	600
Mr. Stansfield's	120
Rastrick Church Day School	44
New Road Board Day School	<u>16</u>
	1300

6. That the Provisions Committee be empowered to procure 2,000 x 8oz. buns.
7. Mr. Jno. Bottomley was appointed the convenor of the Sports & Bonfire Committee.
8. Messrs. Fountaine Shaw & C. Macfarlane were added to the above committee in place of Messrs. H. L. Thornton & Frank Smith.
9. That the sum of £15 be granted to the Sports & Bonfire Committee
10. That the day school teachers be asked to co-operate & assist in the celebration.
11. That the Secretary & Treasurer see to the printing of the hymns.
12. That the Secretary procure samples & prices of Coronation Mugs and Medals for next meeting and that he make enquiry as to the number of old people in Rastrick, 60 years of age and over.
13. That all the teachers & scholars assemble in their various schools at 1 o'clock & form into procession in the following order. Rastrick Church, Crowtrees, Mr. Stanfield's & New Road and march to the cricket field, sing the four hymns selected and immediately that is over, the sports be commenced & proceed with them till 4.30 o'clock then all return to the various schools for coffee & buns and if any events are to be competed for after the tea, to start the same as soon as possible.
14. That the next meeting be held on Friday at 8 o'clock at Rastrick Church School.

Committee Meeting held June 6th 1902

Mr. Em. Woffenden presiding

Resolved.

1. That the minutes as read by the Secretary be confirmed.
2. That the tender of the Co-op for 2,000 x 8oz. buns at 10/6d per 100 (nett) be accepted.
3. That the question of mugs & medals be adjourned to the next meeting.
4. That we decide to have an Old Folks Treat for Rastrick and that all men or women of 60 years of age and over, be invited.
5. That the treat be held on Saturday June 28th in Rastrick Church School.
6. That the Secretary write and ask for the use of same also to ask for the use of the Rastrick Grammar School for the old folks to meet in after tea.
7. The following gentlemen promised to distribute tickets in the various districts. Viz.
 - Mr. C. Carter – all Birds Royd
 - Mr. L. Gooder – all Thornhills Road
 - Mr. F. Shaw – all New Road & Croft Hollow
 - Mr. E. Woffenden – all Mount and Slade Lane and Dewsbury Road
 - Mr. Fred Marshall – Lillands Lane
 - Mr. Arnold Thomas – Tofts Grove to Lower Edge
 - Mr. Thos. Hinchliffe – Delph Hill & Crowtrees
 - Mr. Harry Sykes – Toothill bank
 - Mr. Fred Pearson – Ogden Lane & Rastrick Common
 - Mr. Jno. Bottomley – Little Woodhouse
8. That the next meeting be held on Tuesday at 8 o'clock in the Rastrick Church School.
9. That the bonfire be held on Friday June 27th

Committee Meeting held June 10th 1902

Mr. H. T Clay presiding

Resolved.

1. That the minutes as read by the Secretary be confirmed with the exception of the one relating to the Bonfire which was altered to Thursday and the same to be lit at 10 o'clock pm.
2. That the Secretary purchase 600 mugs as per sample at 2/11d per dozen and that they be given to all children up to 13 years of age.
3. The Secretary read a letter from Mr. A. T. Clay granting the use of the schools for the Old Folks Treat but asking that arrangements be made with the Sunday School authorities & Mr. Langham. Mr. Garthwaite promised to make the arrangements with the parties named.
4. Mr. Jonas Walker promised to distribute the tickets for the Old Folks Treat in the bridge End & Gooder Lane districts.
5. That 500 tickets be printed for the same.
6. That further tenders for the Old Folks Treat be obtained if possible from Mrs Sykes, Church Street; Mrs Dyson, Thornhill Arms and Mrs Turner, Brighthouse.
7. That the Secretary write and invite the local Ambulance Brigade to supply a squad of members to be on duty in the cricket field on the Friday 27th inst.
8. That the committee to arrange the entertainment for the Old Folk comprise the gentlemen who have promised to distribute the tickets viz. the Chairman, Treasurer & Secretaries.
9. The Secretary of the Sports & Bonfire Committee submitted the minutes and same were adopted.
10. That the next meeting be held on Friday night at 8 o'clock in the Rastrick Church School.

Committee Meeting held June 13th 1902

Mr. H. Travis Clay presiding

Resolved.

1. That the minutes as read by the Secretary be confirmed.
2. That the tender of Mr. A. Sykes for the Old Folks Tea be accepted at 1/- per head.
3. That the Secretary write or see the Inspector of Police and ask for the assistance of two or three men to be on duty on the Thursday night and also on the Friday afternoon and evening.
4. That the Treasurer announced that the subscriptions to date amounted to £99-15-0.
5. That a Brass Band be engaged to play in the cricket field on the night of the bonfire from 7 o'clock to 10 o'clock at a sum not exceeding £3.
6. That we advertise in the local paper next week all the particulars in full also that teas and refreshments will be provided on the ground by the Cricket Club committee.
7. That the necessary conveyances be got to bring the Old Folks up to tea and take them home again.
8. That the Sports Committee be granted permission to have their programme printed when ready.
9. That the next meeting be held on Wednesday the 18th at 8 o'clock in the Rastrick Church School.

Committee Meeting held June 18th 1902

Mr. H. Travis Clay presiding

Resolved.

1. That the minutes as read by the Secretary be confirmed.
2. That the letter from the Brighthouse & Rastrick Temperance Brass Band be not entertained.
3. That the Secretary write and ask for terms from Clifton Brass Band and also the Rastrick Orchestral Band.
4. The following gentlemen were appointed marshal's for the cricket field. Viz. Messrs. Wm. Shaw & Jno. Bottomley; Luke Gooder & Joah Holdsworth; Councillor Hy. Booth & Thos. Hinchliffe; R. S. Stansfield and Fred Berry.
5. That the arrangement of the platform be left with Messrs. L. Woffenden & Jno. Bottomley.
6. That Councillor Hy. Booth procure a suitable badge for the committee.
7. That the Arion Quartet party be engaged at the sum of 25/- also that Mr. Drake of Meltham be engaged as comic singer.
8. That the advert be left in the hands of the Secretary and Secretary of Sports Committee.
9. That the Secretaries ascertain the cost of printing up to date and the unspent balance of £7/10s be spent on the Sports Committee.
10. That the next meeting be held on Monday the 23rd at 8 o'clock in the Rastrick Church School.
11. That the regulation of the musical programme be left in the hands of the Sports Committee.

Committee Meeting held June 23rd 1902

Mr. H. Travis Clay presiding

Resolved.

1. That the minutes as read by the Secretary be confirmed.
2. That the Clifton Brass Band be engaged for the sum of £3-10-0.
3. That the Coronation Mugs be distributed at Rastrick Church and the New Road Day Schools on Wednesday the 25th inst. And that the Chairman distribute the same.
4. That the Rastrick Cricket Club committee be asked to allow us to use the field for bonfire on the Thursday night.
5. That the Sports Committee Minutes be adopted.
6. Dr. Carter reported that his daughter was unable to light the bonfire as had been arranged.
7. That the matter be left in the hands of the Bonfire Committee.
8. That the marshals be asked to meet in the cricket field on Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.
9. That the committee be asked to be in attendance at the Old Folks Tea.
10. That we vote the sum of £1 to be expended on decorations in the cricket field.
11. That the printing of the programme be left in the hands of Messrs. Sam Bentley & Johnny Booth.

Special Committee Meeting held on Thursday morning at 10am

Mr. H. Travis Clay presiding

22 members being present

Resolved.

1. That the children's treat be held on the Friday afternoon as arranged if suitable arrangements for the holiday can be made with the mill owners.
2. That the tea only be given to the Old Folks on the Saturday.
3. Failing the above, the whole affair to be carried out on the Saturday.
4. That Messrs. C. Carter, L. Woffenden and the Secretary be a deputation to wait upon Messrs. Thos. Helm & Sons and also Messrs. Jno. Smith & Sons, to lay the whole matter before them.
5. That we adjourn this meeting until 8 o'clock tonight.

Committee Meeting held June 25th 1902

Mr. H. Travis Clay presiding

Resolved.

1. The committee reported on the interviews with Messrs. Helm's and Smith's when it was unanimously carried that the children's treat and sport be all carried out on the Friday as previously arranged and that the Old Folks Tea be on the Saturday and in place of the entertainment which had been cancelled, the President invited the old folks to his grounds at Holly Bank and he also promised to provide pipes and tobacco for those who wished to smoke.
2. That an Emergency Committee be elected with power to act in case of any sudden news of a serious nature coming to light viz. the President, Treasurer and two Secretaries.
3. That the Secretary write to Messrs. Helm's and Smith's informing them of the foregoing resolution.
4. That we record on the minutes our deep sympathy with the King in his serious illness and a fervent hope that he may be restored to perfect health and strength.
5. That the Secretary write Messrs. Holme & King Ltd. & Mr. Barker and tender them our best thanks for their valuable contributions of wood for the bonfire.

Committee Meeting held June 29th 1902

Mr. H. Travis Clay presiding

The following resolutions were all passed unanimously. Viz.

1. That all children attending the Longroyde Board School who have not already received a Coronation Mug be presented with them there and that the Secretaries get the remaining names at the Sunday Schools and see to distributing them.
2. That the balance sheet be approved.
3. That the caretakers of the three Sunday Schools be paid 5/- each for the extra labour involved.
4. That the best thanks of the meeting be accorded to Mr. Garthwaite for his services.
5. That the Secretary be paid out of pocket expenses.
6. That the President, Secretaries and Treasurer be each presented with a silver Coronation Medal as a memento of the occasion and that Messrs.. E. Woffenden, C. Carter & Jno. Bottomley procure the same.
7. That the sum of £4 be given to the Huddersfield Infirmary and £4 to the Parish Nurse Fund and £2 to the St. John Ambulance and the balance to the Rastrick C & A. C. Pavillion Fund.
8. That the best thanks of the meeting be accorded to Mr. H. T. Clay for the services he has rendered as Chairman.