

## Abbess Wulf(w)ynn (circa 1016)

Next to nothing is known of Abbess Wulfwynn, other than she existed circa 1016.

Like her successor, Abbess Ælfgifu, the evidence can be found in *Liber Vitae: Register and Martyrology of New Minster and Hyde Abbey, Winchester*, edited by Walter De Gray Birch, FSA, of the British Museum (1892). On pages 62 – 63 the following entry for the Romsey Nunnery (HRUMENSIS) is listed:



Wulfwynn, created by Cupernham Infant School

### NOMINA SORORUM HRUMENSIS CœNOBII.

i.	Ʒulfynn abbatissa illius sancti coenobii .	
ii.	Ælfgifu abbatissa .	xxix. Hildeburh .
iii.	Ælflæd .	xxx. Osparu .
iiii.	Ælfgifu .	xxxi. Ælfgyð .
v.	Ʒulflæd .	xxxii. Ʒulfþryð .
vi.	Ælfgifu .	xxxiii. Ælfleof .
vii.	Ælfhild .	xxxiiii. Eadgyð .
viii.	Ælflæd .	xxxv. Ælfgifu .
ix.	Eadgyð .	xxxvi. Æðelhild .
x.	Ælflæd .	xxxvii. Ʒulfþryð .
xi.	Æþelflæd .	xxxviii. Ʒulfspryð .
xii.	Byrhflæd .	xxxix. Æþelgyfu .
xiii.	Ælflæd .	xl. Ʒilspyð .
xiiii.	Eadgyfu .	xli. Ælflæd .
xv.	Ælfgifu .	xlii. Leofsydu .
xvi.	Eadgyfu .	xliii. Ælfgyð .
xvii.	Byrhtgyfu .	xliiii. Ælfgifu .
xviii.	Æþelgyfu .	xliv. Eadgyþ .
xix.	Ælfgifu .	xlvi. Þyngifu .
xx.	Ælfhild .	xlvii. Ʒulfrun .
xxi.	Æþelpyn .	xlviii. Godgyfu .
xxii.	Ælfgifu .	xliv. Æþelgyfu .
xxiii.	Ælflæd .	l. Ʒulflæd .
xxiiii.	Ase .	li. Byrhflæd .
xxv.	Eadgyfu .	lii. Ælfrun .
xxvi.	Ʒulflæd .	liii. Ælfþryð .
xxvii.	Ʒulfrun .	liiii. Eadgyfu .
xxviii.	Eadgyð .	

This list was inserted when the Register was drawn up, between 1016 and 1025, and the first on the list, 'Ʒulfynn abbatissa', is clearly Abbess Wulfwynn. The Ʒ symbol is a letter of the Old English alphabet and is used to represent the sound /w/.

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