

the SYSTON GREEN

Official Newsletter of the Syston Bowling Club

APRIL 2023

THE NEW SEASON BEGINS -ENJOY AND GOOD LUCK!

New web site is now "up and running". The same address - www.systonbowlingclub.org - gives you access.

Your comments and/or suggestions for further improvement would be greatly appreciated. COLIN GRIMES

Art Exhibition On 31st and 1st

The club was taken over by the Art Group to display their work and raise money for our club.

Considering the weather there was a steady flow of visitors, family members and friends. The atmosphere was very pleasant and it was nice to see everyone socialising and enjoying the food and drink available.

The event took £1131 which included £337 for the artists and less food costs £181 made £612.70 for club. Art group money £215 which was used as float and a donation for food of £100 means a total of £927.70 will go to club funds also any bar profits This would not be possible without the hard work of the Group, Members, Social Members and Bar Staff, so a big **THANK YOU** to everyone involved.

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Dates for your diary FRI 23RD JUNE- PRESIDENTS DAY

1PM START WITH MEAL ABOUT 5 PM

Editorial copy deadlines



All copy for the next edition should be sent to Pauline Wright (paulinewright15@outlook.com) by no later than the 28th Of each month

Please, please, please supply your match reports, scores, stories, recipes and anything else which you would to share.

SYSTON BOWLING CLUB

All communications should be addressed to The Chairman, Board of Directors Syston Bowling Club, Central Park, Syston, Leicester LE7 2HB

Chairs Report

The season is upon us our first friendly fixtures start on the 8th of April. Please put your names on the availability sheets to assist our Captain's in selecting the teams for both Friendly & league fixtures.

The Club website has been revamped & has a new look.

We have two open days planned at the club. The First one will be on the 22nd of April & the 2nd on the 29th of May . All are welcome to give bowls a try and the bar will be open . Please encourage family, friends & neighbours to attend . We will also need a number of volunteers to assist on the day.

The club have decided to run a fun competition on Sunday 7th of May in conjunction with the Town councils Kings Coronation Celebration in the park. The bar will be open more details nearer the time.

Our Bar director Ken has arranged a new range of beers from the Jolly Sailor Brewery to be sold in the club.

I will be having a replacement knee operation very shortly which means I will not be around the club for a few weeks. I will still be available on the phone.

Dave Anderton
Chairman of the board.



We all wish you well, Dave, with you knee operation

27 attended the end of the winter roll up session's dinner at Melton Indoor Bowling Club and enjoyed the carvery and sweet







THANK YOU TO DAVE LANDERS
FOR RUNNING
THE ROLL-UPS
AND
ORGANISING
THE MEAL



WHAT'S GOING ON?

A review of current issues being dealt with by the Board and Management Committee Competitions

The continued lack of a Competitions Secretary remains a particular matter of serious concern. In order to ensure the launch of this Season's schedule, a sub-committee of Board and Management Committee members will be formed to make the draws.

A vacancy also exists for a Safeguarding Officer.

In the meantime, a repeat urgent call for someone to "step up to the plate" to assume responsibility for the progress of the competitions is being made. Full guidance and support will be given. No previous experience is necessary. Simple commitment to the success of the Club and the well being of fellow members is all that is required.

If you would like further details, please contact Chairman, Dave Anderton or Club Secretary Jenny Dewick. Contact details will be found in this year's Fixture Lists handbook.

Annual membership subscriptions

The rules governing subscriptions, offering free first year's membership followed by a 50% reduction in the second year's membership, was changed this year. New Members, from now on, will be offered a 50% reduction in the first year, followed by the full fee in subsequent years.

However, the Board has decided that, in fairness, those who joined last year, under the previous rules, will still be entitled to the promised 50% reduction in the current (second) year.

Finances

While there is no current cause for serious concern, Club finances remain "tight" with strict control over expenditure necessary.

The situation has been eased by a generous donation from the estate of the late Mark Newman and the renewal of Patron status from those companies now identified on the back page of this Newsletter. If anyone has any suggestions for other local companies that might benefit from an association with the Club, please contact Club Development Director, Colin Grimes.

Consideration is being given to the submission of a grant application to Sport England to meet the cost of further upgrading of the green surrounds, to make them more spectator friendly and adaptable for social activities.

A new commercial dishwasher has had to be purchased to replace the old machine which has outlived its useful life and could not be further repaired.

Discussions between the Club, the Town Council and Water Plus continue, in an effort to reduce our water bills, by accessing a rebate for charges relating to water used to irrigate the green.

Members are reminded that payment for Club services and Bar purchases can now be made by Credit Card.

County recognition

The Board have been honoured to accept an invitation from the County to host the Under 25's Semi-Finals and Finals competitions on Sunday 25th June. Please make a note in your diary to come along to see the future of County sport in action.

Green maintenance

It has been agreed that the current contract for green maintenance should be extended for another year. Roger Stone has indicated that this will be his final year as Green Ranger. Anyone interested in the possibility of taking over at the AGM in October should contact Roger.

Fixture correction

Please note that the Loughborough Triples League Fixture for 10th July should show the Swords playing at Home and not Away, as shown in the current listing.

Advertising and promotion

In readiness for the first Club Open Day on Saturday 22nd April, new "teardrop" flag to encourage new membership enquiries has been delivered.

: THESE SHOW FLAG AS SEEN FROM EITHER SIDE

The following Press Release has been issued to all local media to promote the event:

"BOWLING'S EXCITING NEW FORMAT LAUNCHED

The "Bowling Bash" – an exciting new format for beginners and experienced players alike - is to be launched on the bowling green in Central Park in Syston on Saturday 22nd April starting at 2.00 p.m.

Cricket has its T20.

Bowling has now developed a similarly exciting short-form format to attract more players to what is quite wrongly identified as a game reserved for the older generation. The game is suited to all ages and genders.

Each game lasts no more than an hour. Participation is free of charge and no special equipment – other than footwear without heels - is required. The clubhouse Bar will be open for players and spectators.

A warm welcome is offered to all. Simply turn up and enjoy the challenge. Meet new friends. Learn a new skill"

Web site

Thanks to the generosity of (Councillor) Mark Cherry and his company, Green Stripe Media, working closely with Development Director, Colin Grimes, the Club web site has been fully revised and upgraded. The same address - www.systonbowlingclub.org - gives access. The former site, initiated almost 20 years ago (one of the first for a Bowling Club in Leicester) had begun to show its age and was in serious need of an upgrade. Green Stripe have generously carried out the design work and will continue to manage the site free of charge until further notice. We are grateful to Mark for his generous support for our Club.

We are equally grateful to Robert Harrison and staff at Association Enterprises Ltd for their hosting of the site, also free of charge, since its inception.

Coronation weekend

The clubhouse will be open to the public in support of the Coronation Picnic in the Park event being organised by the Town Council on Sunday 7th May. Bar Director Ken Renshaw is appealing for volunteers to help run the Bar during the event which could help to generate significant and much-needed needed income for the Club.

Civic Reception

The Club will once again be strongly represented at the Town Council Civic Reception to be held in the Community Centre on Friday 28th April. The Chairman of the Council, Councillor Tom Barkley, organises the annual event to celebrate and thank all organisations and individuals whose efforts help to improve the quality of life for members of the local community. The Club is honoured to be included in that list.

11. Newsletter archive

If you look on the web site - **ORGANISATION/NEWSLETTERS** - you will find copies of every Newsletter published since issue No 24 in 2008! Talk about nostalgia being a thing of the past! Well worth a visit!

12. Thanks – and Help!

Thank you to everyone who has helped to "Spring Clean" the clubhouse in preparation for the new Season.

All Members are urged to take steps to keep the premises clean and tidy – especially the changing rooms where, you are reminded, the storage of kit is not permitted except in lockers. (*A few remain available to rent*. Contact Val Foreman.) Anything left will be moved to the rear store and be disposed of if not claimed within a reasonable time.

Club Library

The Club library stock has been reviewed with some titles passed to local charity shops and others in poor condition sent for re-cycling. Books are presented in alphabetical order of author. It would be appreciated if this arrangement could be sustained by replacing books in the same place after examination and placing any new stock in the box

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50p to borrow or buy books or jigsaws continues to offer vale for money and the service raises a significant amount of money for the Club each year.

CG - April 2023

Free to a good home!



The two machines (*pictured*) are offered free to a good home. Buyer collects from 8 Quenby Crescent (Telephone Norma: 07582413517)

They are Gtech AirRam cleaner (with operating manual) and a cordless steam mop (with instruction manual and accessories – including 4 spare microfibre pads and measuring cup.)

Both machines have hardly been used but have been in storage for some time.

And on a lighter note

How the Internet Started (according to Biblical scholars)

In ancient Israel, it came to pass that a trader by the name of Abraham Com did take unto himself a healthy young wife by the name of Dorothy.

And Dot Com was a comely woman, large of breast, broad of shoulder and long of leg. Indeed, she was often called Amazon Dot Com.

And she said unto Abraham, her husband, "Why dost thou travel so far from town to town with thy goods when thou can trade without ever leaving thy tent?"

And Abraham did look at her as though she were several saddle bags short of a camel load, but simply said, "How, dear?"

And Dot replied, "I will place drums in all the towns and drums in between to send messages saying what you have for sale, and they will reply telling you who hath the best price. The sale can be made on the drums and delivery made by Uriah's Pony Stable (UPS)."

Abraham thought long and decided he would let Dot have her way with the drums.

And the drums rang out and were an immediate success. Abraham sold all the goods he had at the top price, without ever having to move from his tent.

To prevent neighbouring countries from overhearing what the drums were saying, Dot devised a system that only she and the drummers knew. It was known as Must Send Drum Over Sound (MSDOS), and she also developed a language to transmit ideas and pictures - Hebrew To The People (HTTP).

And the young men did take to Dot Com's trading as doth the greedy horsefly take to camel dung. They were called Nomadic Ecclesiastical Rich Dominican Sybarites, or NERDS.

And lo, the land was so feverish with joy at the new riches and the deafening sound of drums that no one noticed that the real riches were going to that enterprising drum dealer, Brother William of Gates, who bought off every drum maker in the land. Indeed he did insist on drums to be made that would work only with Brother Gates' drumheads and drumsticks.

And Dot did say, "Oh, Abraham, what we have started is being taken over by others."

And Abraham looked out over the Bay of Ezekiel, or eBay as it came to be known. He said, "We need a name that reflects what we are." And Dot replied, "Young Ambitious Hebrew Owner Operators." "YAHOO," said Abraham.

And because it was Dot's idea, they named it YAHOO Dot Com

Abraham's cousin, Joshua, being the young Gregarious Energetic Educated Kid (GEEK) that he was, . soon started using Dot's drums to locate things around the countryside. It soon became known as God's Own Official Guide to Locating Everything (GOOGLE).

That is how it all began. And that's the truth!



INTERESTING OR NOT?



DID YOU KNOW?

YOU CAN SURVIVE ENTIRELY ON A **DIET OF POTATOES AND BUTTER** WHICH PROVIDE ALL THE NECESSARY **NUTRIENTS THE HUMAN BODY NEED**



DID YOU KNOW?

ABOUT HALF OF YOUR BODY IS BACTERIA.



DID YOU KNOW?

THE NSF ESTIMATED THAT OUR BRAINS PRODUCE AS MANY AS 12,000 TO 50,000 THOUGHTS PER DAY DEPENDING ON HOW **DEEP A THINKER YOU ARE.**



DID YOU KNOW?

OCTOPUSES HAVE COPPER-BASED BLOOD NSTEAD OF IRON-BASED BLOOD, WHICH IS WHY THEIR BLOOD IS BLUE RATHER INSTEAD OF IRO THAN RED



IF THE HUMAN EYE WAS A DIGITAL **CAMERA, IT WOULD HAVE 576** MEGAPIXELS.



DID YOU KNOW?

HUMAN THIGH BONES ARE STRONGER THAN CONCRETE.



DID YOU KNOW?

Beer reduces the Risk of developing Kidney Stones by 40%.



DID YOU KNOW?

BANANA IS A HAPPY FRUIT. EATING JUST ONE CAN HELP YOU RELIEVE **IRRITABLE EMOTIONS, ANGER OR DEPRESSION.**



DID YOU KNOW?

IF HUMANS KILLED EACH OTHER AT THE SAME RATE THAT WE KILL ANIMALS, WE'D BE EXTINCT IN 17 DAYS.



DID YOU KNOW?

HUGS THAT LAST OVER 20 SECONDS RELEASES CHEMICALS IN YOUR BODY CALLED "OXYTOCIN" THAT MAKES YOU TRUST SOMEONE MORE.



DID YOU KNOW?

A TIGER'S TONGUE IS SO ROUGH, IT **CAN LICK THE PAINT OFF BUILDINGS** AND STRIP THE SKIN FROM THE BONES OF AN ANIMAL.



THERE IS A ROAD IN FRANCE THAT CAN ONLY BE USED TWICE A DAY, FOR A FEW HOURS.THEN IT DISAPPEARS UNDER 13 FEET OF WATER.

ART EXHIBITION CONTINUED:-











WELL DONE

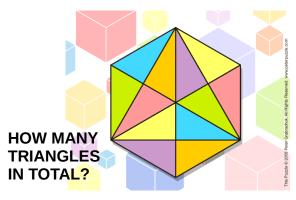
ART GROUP MEMBERS ALPHABETICALLY

TIENA ABLETT, :MARGARET BEAKEN, JACKIE CLARKE, JULIE FAVOR, MICHAEL FAVOR, RICK GIBSON, IVAN JORDAN, PAT LILLEY, MAUREEN PAGE, MICHAEL WARD, MARGARET WEST, JANICE WILBOURN, MARILYN WOOD, RAY WOOD, BEV WRIGHT. BAR STAFF:STAN PAGE, KEN RENSHAW, DEREK RENSHAW, ROGER STONE, OTHER EXHIBITORS:K WILLIAMS AND IN MEMORY OF G JORDAN, R LILLEY AND JEAN WARD.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO: JAN HOLMES, DOT BENTLEY, AUDREY FOX AND KATE WILLIAMS FOR THEIR VARIOUS CONTRIBUTIONS, TO KATE TOON AND DAVE HUDSON FOR MAKING THE CLEARING UP EASIER!!
THANK YOU TO EVERYONE AND ALL WHO ATTENDED,

PAULINE WRIGHT

PUZZLE PAGE



TWINNIES 15

- 1. Boat voyage
- 2. Boisterous assembly
- 3. Chew, noon meal
- 4. Carpet pull
- 5. Cliff oath
- 6. Close by
- 7. Broad playground toy
- 8. Brave flu
- 9. Cantaloupe criminal
- 10. Calm kid

TWINNIES 16

- 1. Massage, baby bear
- 2. Moody American
- 3. Money party
- 4. Linear 4+4
- 5. Lots of turf
- 6. Kitten quarrel
- 7. Lengthy tune
- 8. Liberated insect
- 9. Malicious pinto
- 10. Lunar melody

Currency WORDSEARCH

Find and circle all of the world currencies that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell a secret message - a John Paul Getty quotation.

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TWINNIES YOU ARE LOOKING FOR **TWO WORDS** WITH THE **SAME MEANING AS EACH PAIR** ABOVE BUT THEY RHYME WITH EACH **OTHER** E.G OVERWEIGHT **FELINE WOULD BE FAT CAT**

AFGHANI
ARIAYRY
BAHT
BALBOA
BIRR
BOLIVIANO
COLON
DALASI
DENAR
DINAR
DIRHAM
DOLLAR
DRAM
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GUARANI
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KORUNA
KRONA
KRONE
KROON
KUNA

KWACHA

KWANZA
KYAT
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NEW DONG
NEW KIP

NEW SHEKEL
NGULTRUM
OUGUIYA
PATACA
PESO
POUND
PULA
QUETZAL
RAND
REAL
RIAL
RINGGIT
RIYAL
RUBLE

RUFIYAA

RUPEE RUPIAH SHILLING SOM SUCRE SYLI TAKA TALA TENGE TOLAR VATU WON YEN

FUNNIES

A MOTHER AND FATHER TAKE THEIR 6-YEAR OLD SON TO A FAMILY NUDE BEACH... AS THE BOY WALKS ALONG THE SAND. HE NOTICES THAT MANY OF THE WOMEN HAVE BOOBS BIGGER THAN HIS MOTHER'S, SO HE GOES BACK TO ASK HER WHY. SHE TELLS HER SON. 'THE BIGGER THEY ARE. THE SILLIER THE LADY IS! THE BOY. PLEASED WITH THE ANSWER. GOES TO PLAY IN THE OCEAN BUT RETURNS TO TELL HIS MOTHER THAT MANY OF THE MEN HAVE LARGER THINGS THAN HIS DAD DOES. SHE REPLIES. 'THE BIGGER THEY ARE. THE DUMBER THE MAN IS AGAIN SATISFIED WITH HER ANSWER. THE BOY GOES BACK TO THE OCEAN TO PLAY SHORTLY THEREAFTER. THE BOY RETURNS AND PROMPTLY TELLS HIS MOTHER: 'DADDY IS TALKING TO THE SILLIEST LADY ON THE BEACH, AND THE LONGER HE TALKS. THE DUMBER HE GETS.

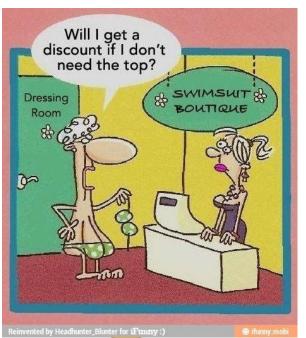
SOLAR POWER IS THE FUTURE BUT IT WON'T HAPPEN OVERNIGHT!!



I ran into my brother's vegetarian girlfriend.

She recognized me but I had never met herbivore, so it was a little

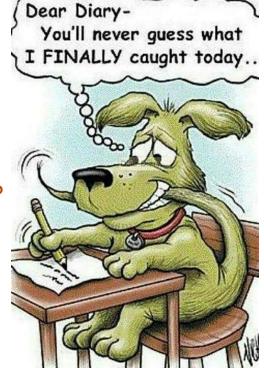
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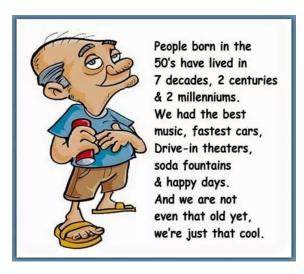


Where do bees sit?
On their beehinds.

What kind of bees make milk? Boo bees.







The Bathtub Test

During a visit to my doctor, I asked him, "How do you determine whether or not an older person should be put in an old age home?"

"Well," he said, "we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the person and ask them to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand," I said. "A normal person would use the bucket because it is bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

"No" he said "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?"

ARE YOU GOING TO PASS THIS ON ... OR DO YOU WANT THE BED NEXT TO MINE?

SOCIAL DISTANCING









I was at lunch with an old friend & pointed to two elderly ladies across the room and said "That will be us in 10 years." She said: "That's a mirror."

FRIDAY NIGHT Social and Games Night

The Table has been paid for and money to help with payment for the gas and electricity used . In addition I hope the Bar takings will also help the club. I am sure we enjoyed exercising our brains and our muscles.

The Social have now finished

How ever If any body would like to have a evening may be after the Saturday game, to play cards, or a few games.

There will be a notice on the Board for People to put there contact details down i.e. Email address or phone number.for any body that might be interested .

Thanks for all that attended and hope you have enjoyed it as much as I have.

Cheers Derek Renshaw.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!

Sheila Aindow

Tiena Ablett

Dave Lander

Pete Murray



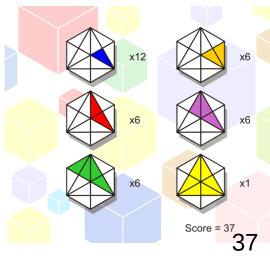


59 CLUB WINNERS

Ray Wood Tyler Johnson Jane Anderton Ray Wood

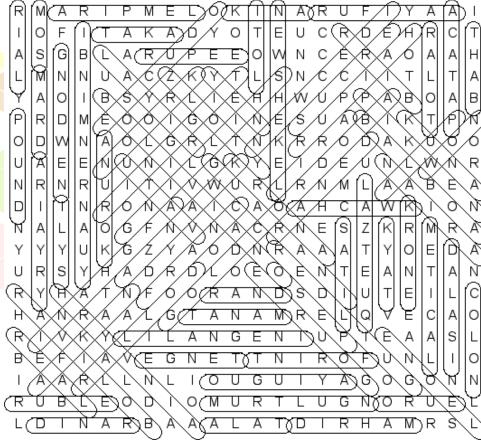
CURRENCY WORDSEARCH

Puzzle answers



TWINNIES15 1.SHIP TRIP 2.LOUD CROWD 3 MUNCH LUNCH 4 TUG RUG **5.LEDGE PLEDGE** 6.NEAR HERE 7. WIDE SLIDE 8. BOLD COLD 9. MELON FELON 10. MILD CHILD

TWINNIES 16 1.RUB CUB 2.CRANKY YANKEE 3. CASH BASH 4.STRAIGHT **EIGHT** 5.MASS GRASS 6.CAT SPAT 7.LONG SONG 8. FREE BEE MEAN BEAN 10. MOON TUNE



The hidden sentence is: IF YOU CAN COUNT YOUR MONEY, YOU DON'T HAVE A BILLION DOLLARS

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