

## DIARY DATES 2014 NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

Saturday 6  
Coffee Morning  
New Who Wants to be a Millionaire  
Pizza/Quiche & Salad £3.50

Monday 10  
Melton Indoor Roll-up 11.20am

Wednesday 12  
Art Group 10.30am

Monday 17  
Melton Indoor Roll-up 11.20am

Wednesday 19  
Art Group 10.30am

Quiz and Social afternoon 2.00pm

Friday 21  
Live Jazz Night  
Faith Supper Tickets £10

Monday 24  
Melton Indoor Roll-up 11.20am

Wednesday 26  
Quiz and Social afternoon 2.00pm

Saturday 29  
Are You Mad!  
Shepherds Pie £4

### DECEMBER

Monday 1  
Melton Indoor Roll-up 11.20am

Wednesday 3  
Art Group 10.30am

Quiz and Social afternoon 2.00pm

Wednesday 10  
Ladies Christmas Party

Saturday 13  
Coffee Morning

Name That Tune  
Home-made Soup/Bread £2.50



**LIVE  
JAZZ  
NIGHT**  
FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER  
Faith Supper - Tickets £10

### Birthday Bumps

November

Happy Birthday wishes to:

Muriel Gibson (100);

Tom Jordan; Dick Crouch;

Congratulations to you all

### 49 CLUB UPDATE

Most recent winners are:

Margaret Trigg (18); Barbara

Brown (42); Alan Ward (3);

Gary Jones (14).

Congratulations to them all!

### NEXT NEWSLETTER

Last copy date for the next  
Newsletter is:

Monday 8th December 2014

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## the SYSTON GREEN

Official Newsletter of the Syston Bowling Club

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## Congratulations Muriel, on your 100th Birthday

Muriel with her daughter-in-law, Maureen, looking at her extra large birthday card from the Bowling Club, which was signed by all the members present.

November 5th is always a special day but this year for one of our Life Members it was extra special as on November 5th Muriel Gibson celebrated her 100th birthday.

The clubhouse was full when Muriel arrived with members of her family to be guest of honour at the surprise party which had been arranged.

The club house had been decorated with balloons, streamers and a montage showing photographs at various functions Muriel had attended during her years as a member of the club.

Muriel's family had a cake decorated as a bowling green complete with a bowler on top and tables were laden with a beautiful array of 'goodies' which had been brought by members of the ladies committee.

Many gifts were brought along for Muriel and amongst the cards was one from Her Majesty the Queen which had arrived at her home by special delivery.

Amongst those attending were Muriel's family including grandchildren, and the Immediate Past President of LLBA Aileen Rowden.

Mrs Marjorie Clowes, a Life Member of the Club and the longest serving member paid tribute to Muriel's many years as a member of the club, Muriel joined in 1975/76 and during her playing years had been a member of the committee and also the Competition Secretary.

Although no longer a playing member Muriel still attends some social events including the lunches held during the 'close' season when she always takes a keen interest in the club and the members.

Congratulations Muriel, and thank you for all your support through the years.  
*Doreen Payne*

My thanks to Doreen, Janice and Jenny for their contribution to this article marking this great occasion. Ed

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## SITUATION VACANT

Nominations are invited from Members of Syston Bowling Club for the post of **CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF DIRECTORS** with effect from Monday 16th March 2015.

Nominees (male or female) should, ideally, have some previous experience of Club committee work at either Section or Board level.

The successful candidate must possess and be committed to a strategy for the practical short- and long-term development of the Club allied to strong communication skills to ensure that Members are kept fully informed of Board activities and that effective representations of any concerns expressed by Members are made to the appropriate external agencies.

The Chairman acts as the figurehead and focal point for the Club within the local community through a programme of appropriate and relevant Press Releases, representative attendance at civic functions, establishing links with other community groups and, where appropriate, with local businesses.

The Chairman has no more authority or power than any other Member of the Club and is at all times subject to the wishes of the membership as expressed through representative Directors serving on the Board. However, in appropriate circumstances, the Chairman may take executive decisions on pressing matters which arise between meetings of the Board in order to ensure the continued smooth operation of the Club on a day-to-day basis. Any such decisions must be subsequently reported to the Board for retrospective approval.

The Chairman's main task is to chair all meetings of the Board in a manner and style which ensures effective coverage of

the agreed Agenda, allowing all Directors full opportunity to express their views thereby achieving democratic decisions on all matters in accordance with the known or perceived wishes of the majority of Members. The Chairman supervises and actively supports the participation of all Directors in the day-to-day management of the Club by setting priorities and maximising their effectiveness by delegation of specific duties and responsibilities matching their individual skills and talents. Together with the Finance Director, the Chairman ensures the setting of and subsequent adherence to an annual operational budget for the Club in accordance with approved business plans.

At General Meetings of the Club - the Chairman should adopt a manner and style which ensures effective coverage of the Agenda allowing all Members full opportunity to express their views thereby achieving democratic decisions on all matters.

At the Annual General Meeting, on behalf of the Board, the Chairman presents an annual report, summarising the activities of the Board over the previous year, enabling Members to comment and to provide effective guidance to the Board in their management of the Club during the following year.

In addition to vision and strong communication skills, a good Chairman should possess the patience of Job, broad shoulders, a thick skin, an even temperament, the ability to absorb, assess and respond to criticism, strong diplomatic and arbitration skills, a sense of humour, an open mind, energy and enthusiasm, determination and, above all, a clear commitment to and focus on the continuing development of the Club and the interests of its membership.

Nomination Forms are available from the Administrative Director, Val Foreman.

## GEORGE STONE AT POTTERS

As many of our members are aware that Melton IBC have an annual trip to Potters and this year George Stone's rink got as far as the quarter finals only to lose out on an extra end. There's always next year George!

This photo was presented to them by the England International, Greg Harlow.



*Jennings*



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**WEDNESDAY 10th DECEMBER**

★ **LADIES** ★

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**SEE NOTICE BOARD FOR DETAILS**

**LADY  
CAPTAIN'S  
REPORT**

It has certainly been a very challenging season.

In spite of all the illnesses that a lot of ladies have suffered, I think it has been a successful one.

We had 17 wins and 14 losses, 1607 points for and 1565 against, so resulting in plus 42 points.

We have enjoyed some beautiful weather this season and I would like to thank all the ladies for pulling together and helping me to be able to put teams together to enable us to be able to play all our fixtures.

I would like to wish all the ladies a healthier 2015.

*Captain Sheila*

**COLIN MARTIN**

It is with regret that we have to announce the death of Colin Martin recently.

Colin, a painter and decorator by trade, was a member of our club for many years, he worked hard for the club over the years, decorating the club house and other jobs that kept the building in good repair.

Our sincere sympathy goes out to his family and friends for their sad loss.



**COUNT 'RODDERS'  
DRACULA**

The clubhouse was transformed into the Black Forest for our Theme Night -Halloween, thanks to Kate Toone and her many helpers.

If you have a spider phobia or you don't like skeletons this wasn't the place for you.

When you start to put together something like this you realise just what talents there are within the club.

I would like to thank all those members who took the time and trouble to dress up and make it a night to remember.

The supper was superb but that was only to be expected as it was prepared by Hazel and Ken Renshaw with a lot of help as usual from our lovely lady members.

With record takings behind the bar you can see Pete and Dave were kept busy and thanks to a lovely young vocalist Kerry, the dance floor soon got busy.

**MEN'S PRESIDENT &  
HALLOWEEN NIGHT**



Our pictures show (left): Sheila Aindow as the Wizard and (right): Dave Hudson as Bones with his assistant Pete Murray.

Apart from celebrating President's year in office for which I've been very proud, it was also a celebration of my 70th Birthday and I would like to take this opportunity to thank folks for the many cards and best wishes I received and also for the voucher which I look forward to spend on some new magic woods.



Christine Dodge **THE GARDEN CLUB**



The latest visit of the Garden Group was to Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre and Country Park.

We were very lucky with the weather which was just right for walking the battlefield trail (1.25 miles).

There are plenty of things to see and do including the award winning exhibition, the gift shop and the Tithe barn that has a selection of food and drinks.

Some of the group then went on to Woodlands Gardens Centre. Everyone agreed it had been a very enjoyable day.

The next visit will be to Melton Mowbray on Friday, 5th December to see the Christmas Tree festival at the church.

As parking may prove difficult, it may be easier to take the bus to Melton as most people did last year. There are plenty of places for lunch but Wetherspoons has always proved popular in the past, so anyone interested could meet there at about 1.00 pm.



Some members of the Garden Group taking stock!

### Social Director's Report

The sound system at the club has had a first stage upgrade to balance the sound at both ends of the room.

(Thanks go to Ken Renshaw, Barbara Brown, Roger Bentley and Jan Holmes for their donation of equipment to make this possible. Thanks also to George Dodge for fixing the speakers and wiring and to Dave Hudson and Pete Murray for their help.)

A computer (thanks to Colin Grimes) a printer and WIFI are now installed for any members use.

For many members the social side of the club is just as important as the bowling when deciding to join.

This club aims to offer a good choice of facilities to interest anyone. We have a most enjoyable gardening group with outings, a quiz and social afternoon, an indoor roll-up session, a library, an Art group and a variety of evening entertainment to suit different tastes all very reasonably priced. Family and friends are welcome at any of these events.

As your social director I hope all members can find something to interest them and take advantage of our excellent club facilities.

If not then please contact me on 2605787 as any new ideas are most welcome

*Pauline Wright*

**SATURDAY 29 NOVEMBER**

**ARE YOU MAD?**

**Shepherds Pie £4.00**

# CLUB COMPETITION WINNERS



Colin Wilkinson receives his Men's Club Champion (4-wood Singles) Trophy from Ladies' President, Janice Wilbourn.

In an extraordinary performance, 20 years since he first won a trophy at the Club, Colin was also the winner of the Men's 2-wood Singles title and was Skip of the winning Triples team which included Dave Hudson and Pete Murray.



Pictured with STN Editor, Fiona Henry, are Marilyn Wood and Roger Eshelby, 2014 Winners of the "Syston Town News" Trophy at the Syston Bowling Club Men's Presentation Evening held on 11th October.



Pardeep Narwal presents the 2014 "Champion of Champions" Trophy to Marilyn Wood.

This is the first year of a five year sponsorship deal between Pardeep Narwal Financial Management and Syston Bowling Club, honouring the winner of a special match between the Men's and Ladies' Singles Champions of the previous year.

### LADIES COMPETITIONS RESULTS

Maidens	Lin Horobin
Runner - up	Sheila Aindow
2 Wood Singles	Lin Horobin
Runner - up	Janice Wilbourn
2 Wood Pairs	Jenny Dewick & Bev Wright
Runners - up	Sheila Parker & Marilyn Wood
4 Wood Singles	Marilyn Wood
Runner - up	Josie Hubbard