

DIARY DATES DECEMBER 2014 & JANUARY 2015

Saturday 13
Coffee Morning

Name That Tune
Home-made Soup/Bread £2.50

Monday 15
Melton Indoor Roll-up 11.20am

Wednesday 12
Art Group 10.30am
Quiz and Social 2.00pm

Monday 22
Melton Indoor Roll-up 11.20am

Thursday & Friday
CHRISTMAS DAY & BOXING DAY

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE

JANUARY 2015

Friday 2

NEW YEAR PARTY
50s & 60s Night - live music with
'Timeless'. Tickets £6.00

Monday 5
Melton Indoor Roll-up 11.20am
Wednesday 7
Art Group 10.30am
Quiz and Social afternoon 2.00pm

Saturday 10
Coffee Morning 10.30am

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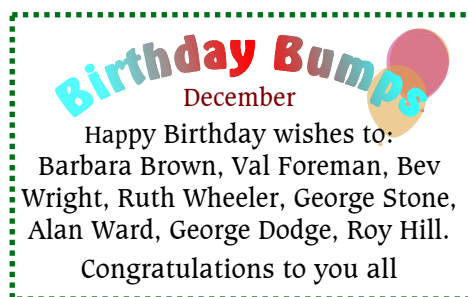
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above.

Please see Noticeboard for latest updates.

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NEW YEAR PARTY
Friday 2nd
January 2015
50s & 60s Night
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Birthday Bumps
December
Happy Birthday wishes to:
Barbara Brown, Val Foreman, Bev
Wright, Ruth Wheeler, George Stone,
Alan Ward, George Dodge, Roy Hill.
Congratulations to you all



49 CLUB UPDATE
Most recent winners are:
Bev Wright (40); Margaret Abbott (31);
Hazel Rayns (17);
Sheila Aindow (08).
Congratulations to them all!



NEXT NEWSLETTER
Last copy date for the next
Newsletter is:
Monday 5th January 2015
email: alancollins338@gmail.com

the SYSTON GREEN

Official Newsletter of the Syston Bowling Club No.103 December 2014

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENTS



May I begin by saying how extremely proud I am to be your president for the coming year. I will certainly do my utmost to fulfil my duties and keep up the standard of my predecessors. I wish everyone a happy and successful year both in county and club competitions but above all make each game an enjoyable one.

I shall look forward to a joint 'President's Day' with Ken Renshaw, the President of the men's section.

We hope to have your help and support at any fund raising events arranged over the next few months, any monies raised to go into the Bowls Club towards future improvements.

As this message will go into the December issue, may I take this opportunity to give everyone my best wishes for Christmas and a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

Sheila Aindow



May I, take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year, but above all a Very Healthy one.

I hope you are enjoying either the rest from

bowling or that you are doing well if you are playing indoors.

I am looking forward to being your President and hope that I can justify the position.

I have a very big act to follow in Past President Rod, who I thought did a grand job.

My aim will be to help in any way I can, both for the club and to you as members. I would like to make us not only a friendly club but also a more competitive one.

I have looked into the Leicester league, being played on a Wednesday evening.

The furthest fixture in this division would be Kirby Muxloe and Brookfield/General Electric.

We have a strong group of bowlers, and I think that the competitive edge will greatly help to improve us.

Carry on wintering well and let's all look forward to a good year of bowling.

Ken Renshaw

The Chairman & Directors of the Club join in with the Presidents of the Men's & Ladies Section to wish all Club Members and other supporters of the Club

"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year"

SITUATIONS VACANT

GREEN RANGER



Following the resignation of Roger Bentley, on health grounds, the Board of Directors is seeking to appoint a Green Ranger, male or female, to take up duties as soon as possible.

The Green Ranger reports directly to the Board of Directors of the Club and acts as the direct link between the Club and the contractor appointed by the Board to look after the green. Ideally, as well as supervising the work of the contractor and providing regular reports to the Board on maintenance issues, the post-holder will agree to serve on the Board as a Director, playing a full part in the overall management and development of the Club. The Board meets on a regular monthly basis throughout the year.

On a day-to-day basis, especially during the playing season, with the active support and assistance of Members, the Green Ranger monitors the condition of the grass verges around the green and is responsible for ensuring that the green is kept properly watered (making full use of the automatic sprinkler system) and free from worm casts. On a weekly basis throughout the year, the post-holder arranges for the Council recycling bins to be positioned outside the St Peters Street gates and returning them to the rear of the clubhouse after emptying by the Council.

Other duties include liaison with Town Council groundstaff to arrange for the cutting of perimeter hedges and access to water supply; signalling on the clubhouse board the direction of play and stringing colour to be used on a weekly basis; posting of appropriate notices to warn players of any likely hazard caused by recent application of chemicals to the green and organising working parties of Members to carry out those maintenance tasks which

fall outside of the remit of the approved contractor.

The setting out of rinks in readiness for fixtured games remains the responsibility of respective Captains and is not part of the Green Ranger's duties and responsibilities.

This is a vitally important role in the running of the Club and requires a serious commitment in terms of time and effort. However, the Green Ranger can be assured of strong support from the membership in carrying out any physical work involved in developing and maintaining the quality of our green.

Any Member interested in volunteering for the job should contact either Club Chairman Colin Grimes or Administrative Director Val Foreman.

Christine Dodge



GARDEN CLUB

Members of the Garden Group travelled to Melton Mowbray to see the annual Christmas Tree Festival held in St Mary's Church. This was absolutely spectacular and well worth an annual visit. The town was busy with school choirs singing Christmas carols and a market as well as all the shops to see. At lunchtime we all made our way to Wetherspoons for a welcome sit down and a meal.

The next event will be to the Toby Inn for our Christmas meal.



TRAD JAZZ AT SBC 2014

Club Members and friends who braved turning out on a wet and wintry November evening were rewarded with another superb session of jazz provided by Matt Palmer and his band.

It was Matt's third or fourth return visit to the club and once again we were treated to a truly memorable performance, this time by a five piece band. It was the first time visit to Syston for the members of the rhythm section (Richard Smith on guitar, Keith Chaplin on drums and Tony Bagot on bass) whilst the front line provided a fine variety of different instruments with Matt on clarinet, soprano, alto and tenor sax and Pete Brown widening his repertoire on trumpet, valve trombone and baritone horn. This was indeed a splendid evening of non-stop entertainment with tunes and songs to suit everyone. Maybe again next year?

The ladies served up a most enjoyable Ploughman's during the interval, well done.



*We wish all
our customers
a Very Merry
Christmas and
a Happy New
Year*

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SATURDAY 17th JANUARY 2015

WIN, LOSE OR DRAW

JACKET POTATOES WITH FILLINGS £3.50

See Noticeboard for further details

SATURDAY CAPTAIN'S REPORT

FOR 2014 SEASON

Our season for 2014 has gone by so very quickly once again, but not



without its problems with the weather. Because of this we had

seven cancellations which didn't help with the match score totals, but these are higher than last season with a +68 (2013 -15).

I would like to thank you all for your support, for entering your names on the availability sheets and ticking off. Also for your good play and your comradeship both on and off the green, this all adds up to make this a wonderful club to belong to, keep up the good work.

It has been a pleasure to be your Saturday Captain for a number of years, but it is time to hand over the reins to someone else.

Fortunately, for everyone, Tom Jordan has seen fit to take over this rewarding position from me.

I ask you all to give Tom your support through the coming seasons.

MEN'S AGM

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

President Rod Heggs welcomed all the members to the 83rd AGM of Syston Bowling Club, which took place on Monday 1 December 2015 at 7.00pm.

His first duty was to ask all members to be upstanding to remember in memoriam Alan Stafford, Tom Morris, Ron Morris and Colin Martin, who had passed away during the past year.



Apologies for absence was then recorded.

Reports from the Management Group officers followed and the Outgoing President gave his address and a vote of thanks for the

retiring officers was given by Roy Hill. Roy then asked all members to give a standing ovation to all the Officers for such a wonderful job they had done over the past year.

Rob Wilbourn then presented Colin Grimes with his Certificate of Life Membership of Syston Bowling Club.

All Officers positions were then declared vacant followed by the election of Officers for 2015.

The Incoming President Ken Renshaw (pictured above with Rod Heggs) then gave his address to the members.

This was followed by an Open Forum so that members could raise any questions of interest.

Close of business.

Due to the lack of space in this issue the Club Coach article will hopefully appear in our next issue .
My apologies to Des - Ed.



MANAGEMENT GROUP 2015

President:
Ken Renshaw
Vice-President:
Colin Wilkinson

Secretary:
Rob Wilbourn

Assistant Secretary:
Colin Grimes

Treasurer:
Brian Arnold

Captain:
Tom Jordan

Vice Captains:
Ken Renshaw &
Don Creasey

Mid-week Captain
Noel Evatt

Green & Royals Triples Captain:
George Stone

Competitions Secretary:
Gary Kilbourne

Match Fixture Secretary:
George Dodge

Loughborough & District Triples
League White Plums Captain:

Colin Wilkinson

Melton Triples League Captain:
Dave Hudson

Catering Manager:
Pete Murray

Welfare Officer:
John Lamble

NEW CLOSE SEASON SOCIAL MEMBER POLICY

We have received a number of enquiries from non-members, some of whom are registered Members of other Clubs, interested in regular attendance at our programme of close-season social activities - such as the Art Group, the Gardening Group and weekly Wednesday socials.

Having considered the situation, the Board has decided to introduce a special "Close Season Social Member" grade with an associated subscription of £10.

Individuals admitted under these provisions will not officially belong to either of the Club Sections and, of course, will not be entitled to attend and vote at General Meetings. Their participation will be limited to "open" social functions from the period 1st October to 1st April each year.

This new policy in no way affects the occasional attendance at close season social functions of family and friends of existing Members. They will continue to be welcomed without payment of any additional charge over and above that set for the event in question.

In formulating this policy the Board was anxious to ensure that our current "open door" policy should be sustained, in the hope that participation might stimulate interest in joining the Club at some future date. At the same time, it was felt unfair that any non-member attending on a regular basis should be seen to have an advantage over existing Members

who have paid a full annual membership subscription appropriate to their grade of membership.

Anyone who wishes to take advantage of this new membership facility should be put in touch with Finance Director, Rolf Meyer, who will handle the simple administration and collect the £10 fee involved.

CHANGING ROOM USAGE

Members are reminded that the new changing and toilet facilities are intended to be used by all Members. Men will have priority use for their fixtured games. Ladies will have similar priority for their fixtures. Home team and visitors are expected to change together.

In the case of Mixed men's fixture games, the ladies involved should use their "old" changing room. If any men are involved in Ladies' fixtures, they should use the "old" Men's changing room leaving the new facilities free for home team and visitors alike.

Members involved in County matches, competitions, roll-ups, coaching sessions etc are welcome to use the new facilities provided that such use does not conflict with any fixtured games scheduled for the same date.

In such an event the "old" facilities should continue to be used.

Any potential clash of interests not covered by these arrangements should be reported, as early as possible, to the respective Presidents who will consult together and determine an appropriate and acceptable allocation policy for the occasion.

Lockers

The Board has decided that the 20 available lockers will be offered to all

Club Members at an annual rental fee of £10. Should demand exceed supply, allocation will be made by ballot.

Members may, of course, share lockers if they so choose.

Each locker has an electronic keypad lock. Members will be able to select their own 4 digit code to ensure security but a Master Key will be kept in the Club to cover any emergency that might arise.

A formal notice inviting applications to hire the lockers will be made early in the New Year. Please watch out for details in the Newsletter and on the noticeboard.



It is our intention to re-furbish the "old" Men's changing rooms early in the New Year.

To help in this task, and to avoid embarrassment and/or damage, all Members are strongly advised to remove all personal items of kit and equipment from the room as soon as possible.

All Members are reminded that any kit left in the new changing room at any time will be removed, without notice, into the store at the rear of the clubhouse.

The Board will accept no responsibility for any consequent loss or damage.

Noticeboards

Arrangements are in hand for the installation of a noticeboard for the Ladies' Section in the new changing rooms. As with the Men, all availability and selection sheets and competition draw details will be posted on the new board instead of in the "old" ladies' changing room.

LADIES COMMITTEE

The following Ladies have been elected to serve on the committee for 2014/2015:

President	Sheila Aindow
Senior Vice President	Janet Lowe
Junior Vice President	Anita Lowder
Hon Secretary	Val Foreman
Hon Treasurer	Sheila Aindow
Captain	Sheila Parker
Vice Captain	Janice Wilbourn
Friday League Captain	Margaret Abbott
Competition Secretary	Margaret Abbott
Fixture Secretary	Kate Williams
Tea Hostess	Janet Lowe
L.L.C.B.A. Delegate	Doreen Payne
Committee	Chris Biddles, Barbara Brown, Hazel Rayns, Kate Toon

FRIDAY 30th JANUARY

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