

# *the* SYSTON GREEN

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## **Presidents Message Jenny Dewick**

President's Day 2018

Thank you to all of my friends who helped with the preparations for Presidents Day.

It wasn't possible to speak to everyone on the day and thank them personally, but I was overwhelmed with your generosity. The personal gifts and well wishes I received were greatly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who gave me Tombola prizes, which helped to swell the funds for our charity very nicely. I intend to invite Fundraisers from the Charity to attend the October coffee morning to receive our cheque, which will hopefully bring a little bit of happiness to a sick child.

Once again, I hoped you enjoyed the day.

**Regards Jenny**

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## **Reminder**

### **CARNIVAL CAKES APPEAL**

The Club will once again have a stand at the Syston Carnival on Saturday 1st September. By popular public demand, it is planned that we should, once more, offer cakes for sale, in addition to our usual range of bric à brac and crafts.

A general and early appeal to ALL Members – male and female – therefore, to “get cooking” and show off your talents to the rest of Syston. Deliveries may be made into the clubhouse at any time on the previous day. It would also be helpful if you could price your product in advance, so that the sale price at least equals the cost of the ingredients.

Val Foreman will be putting a list up on the notice board asking for items that can be sold on the stall and asking for help running it.

**Thanks Val Foreman**

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## **Thank you**

I would like to give Derek Renshaw and Geoff Ellis a very big THANK YOU for painting the Picnic Table and the Benches that surround the Green

It wasn't the easiest of starts for the both of you with the paint conundrum.

I am sure everyone will agree with me that they look really good

**Kate Toon**



## Green Keepers Report

I would like to thank all the bowlers and in some cases non bowlers for their positive response and actions in watering the green edges after each game played. Your efforts have quite simply saved the vast majority of those edges in danger of dying. Where the grass appears to have died new seed has been laid and hopefully will germinate in the coming weeks.

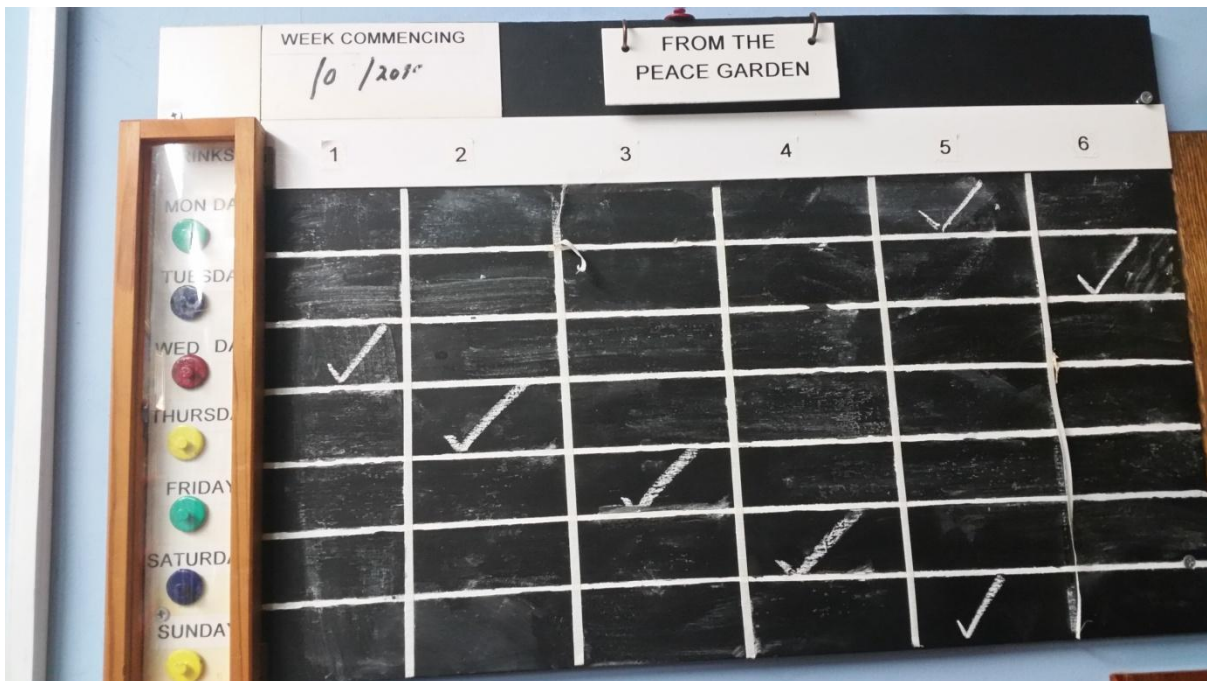
PLEASE CONTINUE TO WATER THE EDGES AFTER EVERY USE; YOUR SUPPORT IS INVALUABLE, APPRECIATED AND NECESSARY.

A further thank you is also warranted to all bowlers again for their positive response in adopting the new rink rotation system recently introduced, ie

1. Direction of play
2. Colour of the day
3. Daily Rink Number starting position.(indicated by a tick).

I hope by continuing to use this system it improves your bowling and enjoyment as much as it benefits the green.

**As per the example below**



Finally now the green and surrounds are looking nice I will shortly be presenting to the Board of Directors a "Wish list of improvements" and recommendations for the future upkeep of the green. Hopefully these will be fully considered and improve our jewel even further.

Thanks for all your support.

**Martin Warner**

## SUCCESS ON THE GREEN

At the Market Overton Gala held on Sunday 15th July, George Stone, Martin Warner, Ray and Marilyn Wood were runners-up, losing by only 3 after a count back on winning ends.

Colin Grimes, Sheila Aindow and Ray Dexter achieved a "Hot Shot" in the match against St Margaret's played on Saturday 21st July. Congratulations to them all.

## MARKET OVERTON SUMMER GALA



On a beautiful sunny 15th July Marilyn and Ray Wood together with George Stone and Martin Warner travelled to Market Overton for their Summer Gala.

Played on a lovely green they enjoyed a wonderful days bowling winning all 4 of their matches 16-3, 11-5, 8-6 and 8-4. For the second year running they were denied overall victory by a rink from the host club by only 3 pts.

Winning prize money of £15 each however slightly reduced the disappointment of finishing runners up. With a lovely meal at lunch, tea and biscuits throughout the day and a slice of cake to finish off made for a great days fun.

Planning on going back next year with a team name of Third Time Lucky the quartet hope to go one better.

Well done to everyone and congratulations

**Martin Warner**

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### **Garden Group News from Chris Dodge**

There are plenty of pleasant jobs to be tackled during the next few weeks, like planting and propagating, but these are tasks that you can be relaxed about as there is not the same sense of urgency as there is in spring.

If you want to take a late week away it will not affect your garden too much.

Late summer and early autumn is a good time for gardening, for although the bright flowers of summer may have passed their peak, the weather is still pleasant enough to enjoy work outdoors, and with most of your holidays probably behind you, you

can turn your attention to the garden with new enthusiasm, and plan for spring.

There are some bulbs in the shops now, but it makes sense to delay the main planting until the summer bedding has run its course, there will be months without much colour so do not cut it short prematurely. Concentrate on keeping the garden looking smart by keeping the lawn trimmed and beds and borders hoed.

There are some bulbs, however, that should be planted promptly.....

Plant bulbs now for mid winter colour, these of course are the prepared hyacinths (specially treated to flower very early) that start to appear in the shops about now. Plant them as soon as possible if you want flowers in mid-winter. If you are using ordinary pots any peat or loam compost will do but choose a

special bulb fibre if you are using a bowl without drainage holes... An odd number of bulbs look best - three or five.

Plant the bulbs with their noses just showing above the compost, then put them in a cool, dark place (ideally in a cool, shady spot in the garden). Cover with moist compost. Bring them indoors after about six weeks or when the shoots are about 2" high and keep in a cool position for about a week. Move to a warm, light position for flowering.

You can also bring on tulips such as "Christmas Marvel" for winter flowering. Prepare in the same way, and plant 14-15 weeks before you want them to flower.

### **Border check**

Borders can look untidy at this time and detract from the plants that are still blooming. Remove supports that have been used for plants that have now been cut back. Hoe to keep down weeds and improve appearances.

Take that opportunity to plant a few bulbs in any large gaps that are available, but don't forget to mark their positions in some way. These bulbs will provide pockets of interest next spring before most of the border perennials have grown large enough to compete for space.

Feed dahlias and chrysanthemums with a liquid fertilizer to give them a boost. Granular fertilizers applied to the soil in spring will be losing their effect, and these plants may have many more weeks of flowering to come.

Take the opportunity to check dahlias for aphids or earwig damage, the greenfly or black fly will be easily seen, holes in the leaves or petals are a signs that earwigs have been at work. Earwigs get their name from the myth that they crawl into sleeping peoples' ears and tunnel into the brain. They don't really do that. There are over 1000 different species world wide, they feed on leaves, flowers, fruit, mould and insects, they hide during the day and come out at night, they live in leaf litter mainly, so keep your borders tidy.

Fossils of earwigs have been found dating back millions of years.

An earwig found in a Baltic Amber sold recently for 300 dollars.

If your Michaelmas daisies have been showing signs of mildew (a white, powdery deposit on the leaves) continue to spray regularly with a fungicide, but do check the container for suitability and frequency of application.



## **WELFARE REPORT**

At the July coffee morning, Janet Lowe was once again remarkably cheerful and talked about setting a target of bowling next season in spite of the fact that she faces a further imminent stage of intensive and unpleasant treatment. Subsequently, Janet has been enduring a particularly torrid time and has suffered an unwelcome setback prior to a major procedure which one hopes will overcome her illness. Even so, it was great that Janet made the effort to attend President's day and we all wish her well.

Janice and I visited Chris Biddles with an indoor plant following her operation and discharge from hospital. Chris seemed quite well and chirpy with conversation and hopes to be back in action soon.

I recently received a letter from John Lester's wife regarding his speech difficulties.

John is anxious that everyone should know the reason for his speech problems.

It is not as a result of a stroke or due to heavy drinking. John has what is known as Primary Progressive Aphasia (PPA). This condition is extremely rare - there is no cure or medication for it and unfortunately it will get worse. John now carries a card which he can show to people to let them know he has a speech problem and the condition causing it so that they realise why he is struggling.

Both John and wife Von appreciate all the support Club Members have given John, which has enabled him to continue playing a sport he really enjoys.

I visited near neighbour John Woodward recently and am pleased to report that the leg he injured in a fall has healed and John is hopeful that he can bowl again fairly soon.

ROB (Wilbourn)

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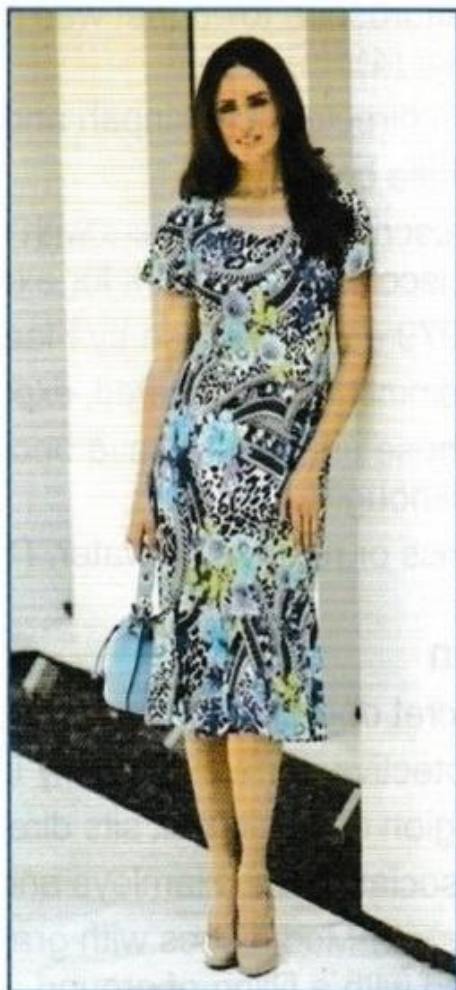


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**Happy Birthday**

Jean Ward, Jane Ellis, Janet Gamble, Norma Grimes, Beryl Gent, Josie Hubbard, Chris Biddles,  
Linda Brown, Dawn Varnam.

### BONUS BALL



Lucky Winners for July & August are: George Dodge (01) – Colin  
Grimes (58) – Derek Renshaw (52) – Mick Russell (10)  
Derek Renshaw (52)



***Congratulations to the winners!!!***

## Water Saving Ideas

It's surprisingly easy to forget how lucky we are to have free-flowing water at the turn of a tap, considering one in nine people on this planet still don't have access to clean water close to their home.

The average person in the UK gets through 150 litres of water a day, and while it might seem we have an abundance of the stuff (it certainly rains enough, right?), water doesn't just magically appear in our pipes – there's a lengthy, energy-consuming process involved in getting it there and ensuring it's clean.

The Environment Agency has warned that people need to use less water and companies must curb leaks to prevent future water shortages and damage to rivers and wildlife. With climate change and a growing population, they say much of England could see significant supply drops by the 2050s, particularly in the South East. So how can you reduce your water waste? Here are some ideas:

### **1. Fix dripping taps**

Not only is a dripping tap really annoying, but, according to the Energy Saving Trust, they account for around 5,500 litres of water waste a year. So don't leave leaky taps to drip on for ages – tighten them up yourself if you can or get a plumber in to fix them.

### **2. Don't leave the tap running when brushing your teeth**

Tend to leave the tap running while brushing your teeth? That's around six litres of water per minute just washing wantonly down the plughole. This is one of the simplest bad habits to break – just wet your brush, turn off the tap, then turn it back on quickly at the end to rinse. You'll quickly get used to it.

### **3. Use a washing-up bowl**

The same principle applies to doing the washing-up. Filling a bowl tends to use considerably less water than washing each item under a running tap. Plus, as ENGIE points out, washing up twice a day with a bowl, instead of leaving the hot tap running, could save around £25 a year on your gas bill and around £30 a year on your water bill (if you have a water meter).

### **4. Don't leave hot water running for ages to 'heat it up'**

You like a nice hot shower – who can blame you! But we really don't need to turn the water on a good five or 10 minutes before getting in (if it really does take this long for your water to heat up, isn't it time to get the boiler checked?). Nobody's saying you need to stop having baths, or you should be taking cold showers; just make sure the water you're running is being used, not mindlessly wasted.

### **5. Switch to a low-flow toilet flush**

Older toilets can use around 13.6 litres of water per flush, while more efficient modern ones, or ones with low-flow fixtures installed in the plumbing, can reduce this to an average six litres per flush – so it's worth ensuring your loo is operating on low-flow mode.

### **6. Gather rain water for gardening**

As many gardeners will know, hosepipe bans do happen, but a good solution for trimming water waste in the garden is by investing in a suitable means of collecting rain water. There are a number of solutions out there for this – tap up Google or ask at your local garden centre for advice.

### **7. Be mindful of dishwasher/washing machine use**

If you really must run a small load through the dishwasher/washing machine, use those eco and half-load settings (your energy bills will thank you too). Better still; try to get into the habit of being a bit more mindful of how frequently you're putting on a wash. For instance, you really don't need a fresh towel with every bath/shower (keep the room well ventilated and hang them up to air), and if you're in the habit of tossing things into the laundry basket on auto-pilot, consider whether each item could last another wear or two (common sense of course – this doesn't extend to underwear and sweaty vests!).

Did you know? Every day, every single person uses on average 150 LITRES of water

150 litres to wash, cook and clean

70% of all water is used to produce the food we eat

58 bath tubs of water are used to make the food we eat and the things we buy

Having a vegetarian diet could reduce the amount of water used by 36%

It takes 13 tons of water to make a smart phone

## RESULTS OF COMPETITONS as at 6<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2018

All semi- final matches must be played by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018

### 2 Wood Mens Singles

R Wilbourn v G Dodge  
K Renshaw v S Page

### 2 Wood Ladies Singles

P Wright v M Wood  
K Toon v B Wright

### 4 Wood Mens Singles Final

D Renshaw v K Renshaw

### 4 Wood Ladies Singles

M Abbott v J Warrington  
M wood v K Toon

### 4 wood Pairs – Anita Lowder

B Madelin/M Warner v A Savage/M Wood  
R Meyer/ D Renshaw v C Grimes /M Abbott

### 3 Wood Triples

B Arnold/A Savage/M Abbott v G Kennell/K Renshaw/ S Page  
M Page/E Loder/P Murray v P Wright/ C Wilkinson/D Hudson

### 2 Wood Pairs

G Kennell /M Page v J Dewick/E Loder  
V Foreman/ G Kilbourne v D Renshaw/ S Page

### 2 Woods Triples – Syston Town News

J Holmes/P Wright// S Parker v P Murray/R Hill/D Hudson  
T Johnson/ R Wilbourn/ M Abbott v A Savage/ G Kilbourne/ K Renshaw

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## **WYMESWOLD TRIPLES LEAGUE – WEDNESDAY EVENING**

*This is the League positions up to and including the 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018*

<b>TEAM</b>	<b>PLAYED</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
Syston	<b>14</b>	<b>73</b>
Kegworth	<b>12</b>	<b>67</b>
East Leake	<b>12</b>	<b>56</b>
Greenfields Kestrels	<b>12</b>	<b>51</b>
Quorn Foxes	<b>12</b>	<b>47</b>
Greenfield Finches	<b>13</b>	<b>47</b>
Wymeswold Rams	<b>11</b>	<b>39</b>
Quorn Webbers	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>
Wymeswold Wolves	<b>11</b>	<b>25</b>

The result for the game against Wymeswold Wolves on 1<sup>st</sup> August was a 7-1 victory, which could have been an 8-0 win. Unfortunately the captain (myself) tried to make one shot into 2, by trailing the jack; consequently, it gave them 2. So the game ended 15 shots each, giving them a point. Hey Ho that's bowls! This gives us 80 points, going into our last game on Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> August against 2<sup>nd</sup> place Kegworth. We will then have to wait for all the other teams to complete their fixtures.

I would like to thank all the players, who have supported this league

A big thank you to Jenny Dewick for providing cobs at the home fixtures. **Ken Renshaw Captain**

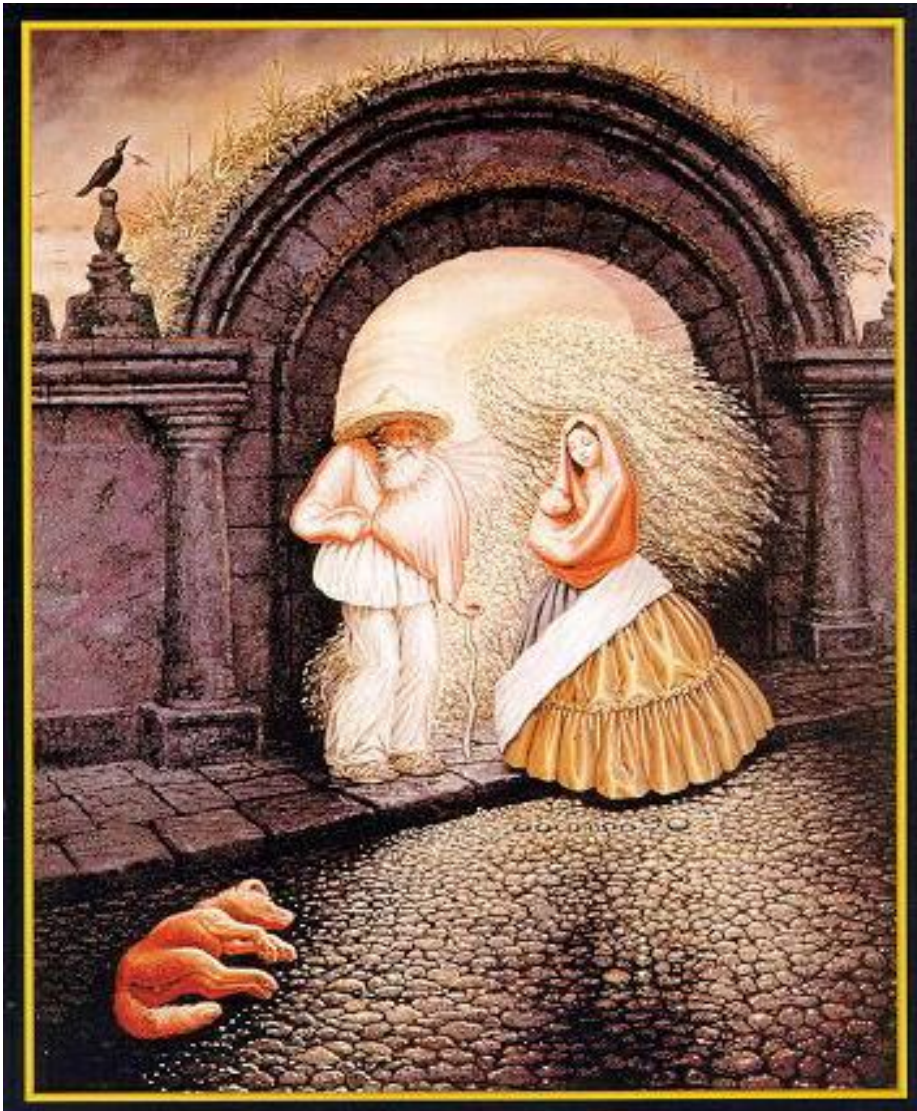


## Tyler Johnson

Tyler is today and tomorrow competing in the **Sutton Winson Trophy**, representing Syston Bowling Club, being played at Leamington Spa. The competition is for juniors from all counties in England.

The runners up go into play for the **Sutton Winson Plate**. Hopefully he can perform at his best and bring back one or the other.

I'm sure we all wish him the best of luck!!



A challenge for you  
How many faces can you  
find??

PLEASE NOTE  
THE NEXT  
COFFEE  
MORNING IS  
SATURDAY 8<sup>th</sup>  
September 2018

### Message from the Editor

Thanks to everyone for their contributions to this edition.

Please continue to provide me with regular updates of club activities.

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Please let me have items for the September edition by Friday 31st August 2018

Thanks Sue

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