

the SYSTON GREEN



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Resignation

I regret to have to inform you that we have received the resignation, with immediate effect, of Kate Williams as Club Chairman leaving the Board with the problem of finding a replacement. Under present pandemic restrictions, it will not be possible to hold a "live" meeting of the Board until the end of April/beginning of May. Until that time, subject to the approval of the Board, Pete Murray, has kindly agreed to act as joint Chairman/President. All matters normally dealt with by the Chairman should therefore be referred to Pete until further notice. (email: murrayp2@sky.com tel: 2608 679)

If you would like to volunteer or to nominate another Member to serve as Chairman, please contact Val Foreman (email: vfpolo@aol.com tel: 2609 635)

I will be very happy to answer any questions arising from this bulletin
Best wishes for an enjoyable Season.
Colin Grimes
Development Director



Ann Gale

Ann Gale has asked me to let everyone know that she has left the area and gone to live nearer her daughter in Solihull
She will miss you all and wanted to pass on best wishes to everyone.
I know that you will want to extend every good health and happiness to her for the future

Sue Renshaw



CALLING ALL "YOUNGER" BOWLERS!

An exciting new venture is about to be launched in Leicestershire to encourage, support and provide tailored coaching for our younger bowlers. A Development Pathway will be established to feed players into Amy Rose and White Rose Teams as well as Ladies' and Men's County sides. Alongside this will be an Academy for all U18 players where skills can be improved and knowledge and experience in all aspects of the game will be addressed. It will be a great opportunity for meeting up with other young players from across the County to practise and progress in the company of others of their own age. We would like to hear from any youth players in the county who wish to join us on this new and exciting journey.

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- ▶ Sessions will typically comprise of the following.
- ▶ Skills coaching in various types of shots and skills.
- ▶ Shot selection and Game management.
- ▶ Team building exercises.
- ▶ Mindset exercises.
- ▶ Etiquette awareness training.
- ▶ Laws of the game.
- ▶ Decision making and communication skills.

A team of trained coaches will run these sessions on a Saturday morning and Tuesday evening. We will be asking clubs around the county if they would be interested in hosting one of the sessions.

If anyone would like to offer their facilities

Volunteer to help in the sessions.

Would like to join the sessions.

Please contact Gary Kilbourne on 07789797208





Catherine Voyce
Town Manager

This item was received from Catherine

I am getting in touch with local Parish contacts to share information regarding our Warm Homes Fund scheme within Public Health at Leicestershire County Council.

www.leicestershire.gov.uk/warm-homes-fund

Our Warm Homes service is keen to promote the scheme delivered in partnership with E.ON and Age UK Leicester, Shire & Rutland which supports lower income households to receive fully funded connections to gas and first time central heating installation to support affordable warmth. The project aims to deliver 500 installations primarily to private sector owner-occupiers and tenants and runs until Spring 2022.

As we head into warmer weather and progress cautiously through the roadmap in easing of lockdown restrictions, the summer months when many will have their main heating turned off will be an appropriate time for many to consider this offer when it causes minimal disruption.

- General newsletter piece
- Leaflets & posters (digital copies attached, we also hold physical copies of these should a small quantity be useful)
- Draft social media posts

A follow-up press release was released in January regarding the opportunity following initial launch in June of 2020:

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/news/chance-for-residents-to-see-advice-on-warm-homes>

Naturally this offer may not be relevant to every parish, particularly in some rural areas where it has typically not been viable to extend the gas network into the area.

The nongasmap tool was developed to support projects in identification of areas containing properties within a viable distance of gas (typically within 23 metres for individual household applications and 50m where a community scheme might connect larger numbers of properties on a street or estate). This may help in determining if this is a relevant opportunity rural Parishes wish to promote locally:

<http://nongasmap.org.uk/>

In addition to welcoming applications from across the county, the Warm Homes Fund also aims to target support to areas of higher deprivation. Over the coming months our service will be looking to send out targeted communications to private sector households within the following LSOAs identified as being within the 25% most deprived Index of Multiple Deprivation measure. Households within these areas will also be able to qualify for support based on a household savings threshold in addition to the low income criteria published online.

LSOA Code	LSOA Name	Ward
E01025699	Charnwood 002A	Loughborough Bell Foundry
E01025932	North West Leicestershire 009A	Greenhill Centre

E01025725	Charnwood 003F	Loughborough Warwick Way
E01025934	North West Leicestershire 009C	Greenhill North East
E01025856	Hinckley and Bosworth 012C	Hinckley Westfield Junior School
E01025700	Charnwood 002B	Loughborough Canal South
E01025701	Charnwood 002C	Loughborough Central Station
E01025997	Oadby and Wigston 005C	Wigston Rolleston Road
E01025987	Oadby and Wigston 006C	South Wigston Blaby Road & Saffron Road
E01025992	Oadby and Wigston 005A	Guthlaxton College & Wigston Police
E01025844	Hinckley and Bosworth 006F	Earl Shilton East
E01025705	Charnwood 002F	Loughborough Midland Station
E01025829	Hinckley and Bosworth 013C	Burbage North West
E01025715	Charnwood 009B	Loughborough Shelthorpe North

Our Warm Homes team has also been working to develop a project utilising funding from the Department for Business Energy and Industrial strategy (BEIS) known as Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery which will provide a range of energy efficiency measures appropriate for a variety of housing types and settings where Warm homes Fund may not be an option or relevant. I hope to share further information about this soon.

Many thanks

Kind regards
Alex

Alex Clark
Warm Homes Officer



Hello Everybody

Hope you are you all keeping well and have managed to stay relatively sane through the long and tough winter months. Fortunately, the start of season and hopefully sunny outdoor days just around the corner.

I want to make a couple of points before we start the season

I have been asked due to the limited availability of rink time to take to bookings for roll ups etc. I think its probably fair, at a maximum of one week on advance, so every one gets an equal chance.

You may remember last year we had the disinfectant and I am assuming it will be at least the same to start in the same way. I will try to be at the club, as often as possible. When I am I will change the disinfectant, however if I can't the first person to play each day can change it.

I will pin a piece of paper

to the notice board. (The same as last year.) This way everyone will know it's fresh and fit for purpose. Wishing you all a long and happy season.

Roger Stone

Green Keeper Tel: 07846 649 137



There are many benefits to artificial grass including lower maintenance and not worrying about watering, fertiliser, weeds, diseases, and insects. It does have risks of wear from high traffic and weather if not properly cared for.

To keep artificial turf looking great and increase longevity we've gathered some best practices for taking care of the grass.

1. For mild stains promptly clean with a mixture of water and household detergent. For tougher stains you can use a 3% solution of ammonia in water. Rinse the cleaner out thoroughly with cool water.
2. For items that may get stuck to the material like tree sap or gum, use dry ice or aerosol refrigerant to freeze then scrape off.
3. For pet waste allow solids to dry before removing them. For liquid waste rinse with cool water.
4. Monthly if not weekly maintenance includes clearing debris, rinsing, and cross brushing against the grain.

Gardening Tips for Spring

This week we've gathered all our pro tips for giving your garden its best start to spring.

- **Prune Perennials** – clip dead leaves and grasses from daylilies, Hosta's, ornamental grasses, cornflowers, sedum
- **Compost** – Remove last season's dead annuals and add these to your compost pile
- **Refresh Mulch** – remove any winter protection items like burlap wraps, rose cones and windscreens, remove dead leaves and debris and add new mulch around plants
- **Spring Lawn Raking** – raking can help remove dead leaves and grass as well as loosen matted grass clumps – pro tip: avoid raking when the ground is wet otherwise you risk pulling up new growth from the soft soil
- **Prune Spring-Blooming Trees and Shrubs Accordingly to type**
- **Pull out the Weeds** – remove weeds before they get unruly and cover soil with a thick layer of mulch to prevent more from growing
- **Fertilise Evergreens** – if soil is healthy and rich evergreens only require fertilisation every other year
- **Edge Garden Beds** – removing invading grass by edging your beds creates a clean polished look and prevents grass from crawling into your bed and overgrowing planting

Thanks to Jeff Randall and his team for the gardening tips

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Message from the Editor

Thanks to everyone for their contributions to this edition.

Please continue to provide me with regular updates of club activities, by email, as a Word document.

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Please let me have any items for the next Newsletter by 19th April 2021

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**HAPPY APRIL
BIRTHDAY to...**



Sheila Aindow
Colin Wilkinson
Dave Lander
Pete Murray
Margaret Trigg

SATURDAY 17th APRIL.

I will put a list on the Notice Board again in the club house for members to play on Saturday, Maximum of 24 priority to those who work.

It is HRH the Duke of Edinburgh's Funeral, and until I have spoken to our members a decision cannot be made concerning an appropriate time to start

We could start at 11.00 am, or at 2.00pm with a 1-minute silence at 3.00pm.

Please keep an eye on the Notice Board decision will be made on Monday.

MONDAY 12th APRIL.

Wednesday 21st April

Roger will open green at 2.00 pm for general roll ups remember max 24.

ENJOY

***Derek Renshaw
CLUB Captain***

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