

the SYSTON GREEN

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The Presidents Message

Not long now before we start the new season. I am very positive that we will do very well this year as we have done well in the indoor leagues. I have seen a great improvement in all the new players.

The Green opens 4th April hope to see you all there. Good luck in the new season and hope you continue to use the club and its facilities during the year.

Derek Renshaw

BUSINESS AND PERSONAL BANKING SERVICES TO RETURN TO SYSTON

In a major initiative, funded by all the main Banks and run by Post Office staff, a Banking Hub is to be set up in Syston towards the end of the year. A full range of traditional banking counter services will be available to individuals and businesses alike. These will be augmented by meeting rooms to be staffed, in turn, by individual Banks, to enable face-to-face meetings, by appointment, to discuss individual needs. A survey conducted by the main Banks into the feasibility of a cashless society concluded that the UK was not yet ready for such a change, with certain sectors of society struggling deal with such a situation. In response, the Banks undertook to pool resources to fund a series of five Hubs to be rolled out across the country, re-instating the whole range of banking services which have become unavailable since the closure of many branches. Pilot Hubs in Scotland and Essex are already operating. Syston has been selected as an ideal site for the next in the series.

In preparation for the launch, local businesses, community groups and voluntary organisations are to invited, over the next few weeks, to take part in an on-line survey to enable the project management, Cash Action Group (CAB), to ensure that the business model to be offered through the Syston Hub can be tailor-made to meet the specific needs of our local community. The links to this survey will be widely published in due course and as many people as possible are urged to participate.

CAB are currently actively exploring potential premises to accommodate the Hub.

Great news for Syston!

COLIN GRIMES

Please see below relevant numbers in relation to safeguarding for Children and Adults.

If you are concerned for the safety of an adult, please call: 0116 305 0004

If you are concerned for the safety of a child, please call Children's Duty First Response: 0116 305 0005

Phone 999 if a crime is being committed or if someone is in immediate danger.

Catherine Voyce

Town Manager

GARDENING TIPS

General garden jobs

- Spring clean the garden – fork over the soil in borders, weed and apply a mulch
- Remove weeds, but don't put them in the compost bin
- Clear moss and algae from paths, patios and driveways with a pressure washer or patio path
- Fix or replace fences damaged from the devastating February storms, find out more with our step-by-step guide: [How to put up a fence panel](#)

Lawns

- If the ground is dry enough you can do your first lawn cut of the year. Mow the grass on a high-cut setting to keep the lawn looking tidy but don't attempt to do this if the ground is frozen or soft underfoot
- If the weather is mild, you can feed the lawn after its first cut
- If you're thinking about a new lawn mower, take a look at our [lawn mower buying guide](#) to help you choose the best one
- Redefine lawn edges along borders and paths using a [lawn edging iron](#) or [edging shears](#)
- Lay new turf before the weather turns warm and dry

Vegetables and fruit

If you have already done your winter digging, you should only need to make final preparations to get the soil ready for sowing. Hoe off any weeds, take out any stones or bits of old roots and rubbish, sprinkle a light coating of general-purpose organic fertiliser over the area, and rake the surface down, leaving a seedbed the texture of cake crumbs.

Now you are ready to plant, but don't be tempted to fill up the vegetable garden all at once. There are only a few things you can sow or plant this soon and if the weather is still chilly you will need to cover early crops with some horticultural fleece for protection.

- You can start planting broad beans, parsnips, spinach, turnips, radishes and early varieties of carrots outside
- Courgettes, chillies and tomatoes can be sown undercover in a greenhouse

- Early peas, summer cauliflower and lettuce can be sown outside under horticultural fleece
- Start sowing tender herbs indoors
- Water any pot grown fruit such as plums, peaches or olives, remember to protect blossom from frost
- Feed your blueberry plants with ericaceous fertiliser and mulch with a thick layer of pine needles
- Cut Autumn fruiting raspberries down to just above ground level
- Plant rhubarb, fruit trees and bushes and strawberry plants

With Spring just around the corner, here are a few gardening tips

1. Perform basic maintenance tasks
2. Fix up fences, gates and trellis
3. Clean bird feeders
4. Order summer-flowering bulbs and seeds
5. Find and remove garden pests
6. Install water butts and start collecting rainwater
7. Plant summer-blooming bulbs

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WYMSWOLD TRIPLE LEAGUE

The outdoor season is fast approaching and the entry has been paid. This year sees a full programme starting on Wednesday 20th April through to the 17th August. These are mixed gender matches and strictly adhere to. Our first match is to rivals Thurmaston. The fixture list is on the Notice Board and selections sheets will soon be on notice board. Looking forward to a successful and enjoyable season

KEN RENSHAW
TEAM CAPTAIN

SOCIAL EVENTS

**SATURDAY 12th MARCH - 700pm CALL MY BLUFF – Cost £3
– Faith Supper**

Please bring a raffle prize

**SATURDAY 26th March -RACE NIGHT 700 pm -Cost £8.00
Food Lasagne and Salad Garlic Bread or Chilli and Rice**

MIDWEEK LUNCHES

**Thursday 10th March 12.30pm for 1.00pm please see
Maureen.**

COFFEE MORNINGS

Always Second Saturday of the month:

**Tuesday Morning Melton Indoor Bowls- 11 15am start all
welcome Dave Lander**

PLEASE PUT A NOTE IN YOUR DIARIES FOR PRESIDENT’S DAY

19th JUNE 2022





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HELP IS AT HAND

Volunteer Centre to showcase community service groups

Syston and District Volunteer Centre has issued more than a hundred invitations to take part in an exhibition, to be held on Central Park, Syston, on Saturday 9th July, running from 10.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.. Under the heading "**Help is at Hand!**", the exhibition will showcase those organisations, based in Syston and neighbouring communities, which offer social, cultural, sporting, educational, financial and/or emotional support to people of all ages, thereby easing problems and enhancing the quality of life.

Chairman of Trustees, Paul Lomas, says: "*The Centre is happy to share a significant donation we received, derived from the sale of calendars featuring the Syston Knitting Banksy displays at the local Post Office and War Memorial, by subsidising this important initiative. It is our intention to demonstrate that no matter what problems and difficulties members of our communities might be facing, they are not alone. Syston can offer a local solution.*"

Event organiser and Trustee Secretary/PRO, Colin Grimes, adds: "*Organisations taking part will enjoy an exceptional, low cost opportunity to promote their services, recruit more members, attract volunteer support and raise funds - all with the minimum of organisational effort on their part. A marquee will be in place to house the majority of exhibiting organisations, with additional adjoining spaces to cater for those who wish to supply and furnish their own (covered) displays. We are currently seeking to attract a high-profile personality to officially open the event and it is hoped to mount a simultaneous programme of supporting activities in the Park, to attract more visitors.*"

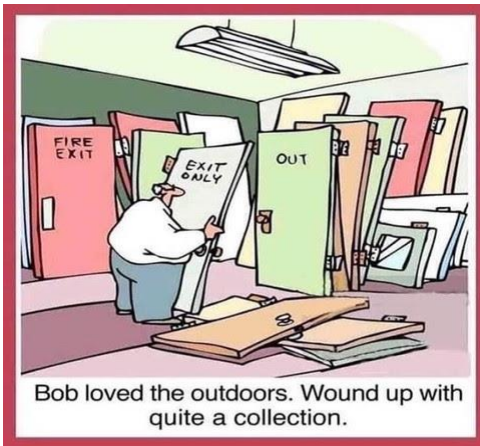
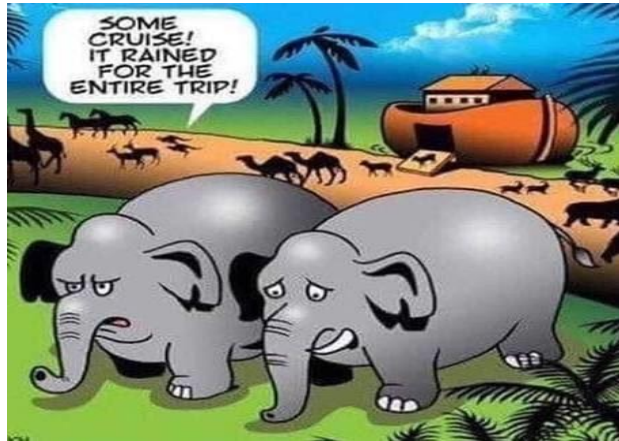
Based on our experience, gained in 2018, when we first piloted the concept, we expect that support for this event will again be high. Any organisation wishing to be involved but which has not received an invitation, should contact me for full details and a registration form (email: sadvc@btinternet.com)."

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Notes to editor: Further information on this Release and/or .jpg file of photograph, Queen's Award or Volunteer Centre logos, please contact Colin Grimes, Trustee Secretary/PRO (Tel: 0116 2608412: email sadvc@btinternet.com). Full details of the full range of services provided by the Centre can be obtained from SADVC Centre Manager, Tel: **0116 2607 888** email: info@syston-vc.org

Funnies

THANKS To John Lamble



FIFTY NINE CLUB WINNERS

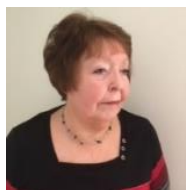
Doreen Payne,
Stan Page
Ray Wood
Derek Burdon

Thanks Val Forman

**HAPPY MARCH
BIRTHDAY to...**



Myles Clare
David Ingram
Ivan Jordan
Edna Loder
Maureen Page
Steve Rudkin
Ray Wood



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ANY ITEMS for the
newsletter no later
the than 28th MARCH
Thank you SUE**

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