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SYSTON BOWLERS CELEBRATE PRESIDENT PETE'S YEAR IN OFFICE



This year's Men's President's Day at Syston Bowling Club, on Friday 27th May, saw a full turnout of Members from both Sections of the Club, reflecting the high regard in which this year's incumbent, Pete Murray is held.

The programme of events started with the traditional "Spider", involving every player simultaneously directing a single wood at a jack placed in the middle of the green. The player whose wood finishes closet to the jack (which, by this stage, is nowhere near the point at which it started) is declared the winner. On this occasion, the bottle of whisky prize was

won by Pat Lilley, one of the Club's newest Members!

A good-humoured match between mixed teams, representing the President and Vice-President respectively, resulted in a win for the President's team.

This was followed by a wonderful meal of Hunter's Chicken, hot potatoes and salad followed by ice cream, meringues and cheese & biscuits.

After the meal, President Pete thanked everyone involved for their hard work in organising the event and for turning out in such numbers. He said: "I can't thank Jenny Dewick and Kate Toon enough for preparing such an excellent meal, after spending most of the day in the kitchen. Thanks, also, to Dave Hudson for doing a great job behind the Bar, to Colin Grimes as Toastmaster and to all those Members who sent cards and goodwill messages."

Bouquets were presented to special guests Sheila Aindow (Ladies' President), Christine Dodge (wife of Club Chairman), Sharon Kilbourne (wife of Vice-President) and Marlene Murray (Pete's wife) who is, herself, a tireless fundraiser for the Club.

Responding on behalf of the Members and guests, Ladies' President Sheila Aindow thanked Pete for a wonderful evening, for his exemplary commitment to the Club and offered him best wishes for a successful year in the office of President.

The evening was capped by a wonderful entertainer, Kerry Jean, who, in two sets, sang an exceptionally wide range of songs presented with a keen sense of humour. Members were readily encouraged to join in the singing and to dance late into the night.

Summing up the event, Club Chairman, George Dodge, says: "President Pete Murray deserves a great vote of thanks not only for taking on the Presidency for a second time and organising such a wonderful event in the Club calendar, but for all his work over many years as a Director with special responsibility for running the Bar, for his ready willingness to help in all our social and sporting activities throughout the year, for assisting in Club coaching and recruitment and always being ready to volunteer his help in any job that needs doing. Thank you President Pete. You are an example to us all."

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