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New Editor for Witham Word

The Witham Word will have a new Editor from the next issue.

I should like to thank everyone who has helped make this village magazine a continued success and hope that you will give the new Editor, Dave, the support and help he will need over the coming year.

In order to make his job a little easier can I ask that all copy for the Witham Word be typed and sent electronically before the deadline of each issue, unless you have contacted Dave and cleared your submission with him first.
Many thanks.

New contact details are at the bottom of this page.

Church Flowers

As you probably already know, on Monday April 24th the collection jar for St John the Baptist Church flower fund was stolen from South Witham Village Store. The culprit was recorded on CCTV and the police are investigating the theft.

The jar contained a substantial amount of money very kindly donated by customers over the past few months. A very big thank you to everyone for the concern shown about this crime and special thanks for the generous donations given to the fund since the theft. A new collection tin is now in the shop. Many thanks to Gordon, his staff and everyone for your support.

If anyone would like flowers placed in the Church for a special occasion, or to help with the flower arranging, please contact Rev Graham or Patsi on 07880677538. During the same week in April the village Church was broken into, several windows were broken but apparently nothing was stolen.

Anyone with information about either of these crimes should contact Lincolnshire police on 101 quoting incident numbers 1700017281/193.

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South Witham Village Hall Management Committee future dates

Summer Gala and Music Festival—1st July (details on back page)

Family Day—Saturday 27th August

Live Music—Ska Night -Saturday 23rd September

Winter wonderland Dance— 2nd December

Christmas Lunch—Over 60's—8th December

Two new adverts inside this issue

The Editor reserves the right to edit, shorten or otherwise change as necessary any submission for publication. All submissions must include a name and address, though these can be omitted upon request. Any submission after the deadline may not be included.

No group or individual should assume that space will be reserved for them past the submission deadline unless discussed on a monthly basis with the Editor.

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Gardening tips

Within the copse the pheasant cries,
And high above, wood pigeon flies;
While on a post a cuckoo calls,
As in mid-June May-blossom falls.

This is a lovely verse from a poem that I can remember from way back when, to my shame I cannot remember who wrote it but I give due credit to the author of course. It always reminds me of the infamous rhyme; Ne'er cast a clout till may be out. This beautiful little reminder to us to not swap our winter clothing until the May blossom is fully out which is June not May. It is particularly instructive if one is thinking of putting hanging baskets out or planting containers with delicate bedding plants. One good late frost and whoops-a-daisy it is back to the garden centre we go to further top up the centre profits. Another ambiguous use of the month of May is in the rhyme 'Here we go gathering nuts in May' Well there are no nuts to gather in England in May so it is generally thought that the rhyme refers to gathering 'knots' (of May blos-

som) which are in bloom in May.
Bearing in mind how dry and cold the year has been so far it will be a 'red letter' day when the Sun does finally bless us with an appearance. Oh dear there is another one, where could that phrase have come from then? Well guess what, it was first observed in the early printed bibles of the 16th century when holy days were printed in red. What a great language we have, eh wot?
QUICK TIP it is still not too late to sow seeds of Calendulas (pot marigold) or Nasturtiums straight into the ground. The bright yellow colours not only enliven the garden but attract insects into the garden whose larvae consume masses of nasty aphids. Also consider herbs such as sage and thyme which not only smell nice but whose high strength nectar is loved by butterflies' etc again huge consumers of aphids. WARNING always plant mint in a container or large plastic pot sunk into the ground or you'll have a bed of mint and nothing else.

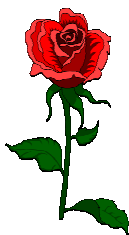
JOBS FOR THE MONTH

SPECIAL TIP

If you are growing runner beans also plant a few sweet peas in the same area. It will look brighter, smell sweet and increase the chances of a better crop due to increased pollination.
Apply a long lasting weed killer by spray or watering can to gravel paths and drives.
As the sun gets stronger ponds may become green so remove any green algae from ponds by twisting it around a cane or a rake then add it to the compost heap
June is the month to hard prune the early flowering clematis that have flowered BE BRAVEIF NOT CALL ME!
Strawberry plants should be pegged down to encourage layering also spread straw around the stems to keep the developing fruit clear of the soil and therefore clean.
Hanging baskets and bedding plants should be safe from frosts now so put them outside
Remember to go on slug patrol every night when the lovely chaps are out for their evening meal.
Hard prune lilac, Kerria, flowering currents...be brave.
Lightly prune wisterias.
If you have a spare Charabanc consider converting it into a greenhouse.
You are probably mowing every week now; the blades of the mower may be

lowered if you wish.
Newly repaired or laid lawns need to be copiously watered to avoid the turves drying out.
Plant marrows, cucumbers, runner beans, French beans outside.
Feed and weed lawns with either liquid or granular lawn feed you will be amazed at the improvement.
Dig out individual lawn weeds by hand.
Pick sweet peas every other day to keep them flowering and smelling sweet.
You can now mow off the daffodils in the lawn.
Lift and divide spring bulbs and replant the new stock elsewhere in the garden to increase the display for next year.
Be on the lookout for greenfly, black fly etc. treat early rather than waiting until the little blighters appear in packs or swarms.
As the temperature rises be sure to ventilate the greenhouse to avoid scorching of the plants within.
Pond plants would benefit from a pond plant fertilizer and top up of the pond when necessary.
Check shrubs and especially climbers to see if they need training upwards onto the trellis.

REMEMBER, a day without a smile is like a day without sunshine!
And a day without sunshine is, like.....night!!!!
Happy Gardening, David Penny



South Witham Garden Club

At the beginning of March meeting members congratulated Jill and Peter on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Peter and Jill thanked the club for the flowers which they received for this special occasion.

At this meeting Patsi distributed dwarf Sunflower Seeds to be grown for our plant competition which will be judged at the Summer Party in August. Penny Vincent was the speaker at the March meeting, when she demonstrated how to create an 'Easter Tree' which included fresh flowers in water in a flower tube and hanging from the dried branch of a contorted Hazel. Also included in the demonstration were some Hares which according to German custom hide the Easter Eggs for the children. Penny donated the decorated tree as a raffle prize

which was won by our visitor Jenny Pacey. April 25th was the club's annual 'Garden forum'. Questions were invited and answered by club members. A general discussion about gardening followed, which became a very enjoyable evening. The meeting on 30th May will bring forth a plant sale (anyone wishing to donate any surplus plants to the club would be gratefully received) Photograph competition and also a quiz aptly compiled by our very own Margaret Spiers. Bees in the Garden is the title for our June meeting by Mr Richard Davies. The month of July has been left free to enable members to arrange garden visits etc. If you would like to try us out and come along to any of the meetings. Please do so, you will be made very welcome. For information about any of our gatherings please feel free to contact Patsi on 07880677538 or Jennie on 01572 767648



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South Witham Club Details

South Witham Archaeological Group (SWAG)

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Peter Ball - 01572 767758

South Witham Garden Club (SWGK)

Meetings held last Tuesday of the month - new members welcome
Patsi: 07880 677538

South Witham Ladies Welcome Club (SWLWC)

Meetings held 2nd Tuesday of the month
Jenny Pacey - 01572 767783
Jennie Keech - 01572 767648

South Witham Vegans & Vegetarians (SWV&V)

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Contact: Jane Chalmers, 01572 768264

South Witham Ladies Welcome Club

This winter has been extremely dry and not very cold, so a little spring rain will be welcome for our gardens.

The winter pansies in our Water Lane garden finally gave us some spring colour! Begonia corms, purchased some weeks back (complements of the Bufs) are being grown on by Jenny P and should be ready for planting out in June to give a good summer show.

Our meeting on 11th April was attended by 13 ladies. The speaker was Nick Ireland who now lives in the South Witham. He was born in 1939 in Switzerland to a Swiss father and Irish mother, moving to the USA via Lisbon and returning to Liverpool, then to boarding school in Swiss Cottage, London. He joined the RAF in the late 1950's where he had a very varied career, flying all sorts of aircraft, including Canberra bomber survey planes, Provosts from Cranwell, Gnats in Valley and Phantoms at Coningsby and was aide-de-camp to the Commandant at Cranwell before leaving the RAF in 1997. Spent 10 years flying Jaguars in the Oman Air Force then spending another 10 years with the Civil Service, finally retiring in 2006. He now does voluntary work with the Rutland Water Osprey project, amongst other varied pastimes. A very full and interesting life.

On Tuesday 16th May, 12 members went out for dinner to Greatham Golf Club, where the Club restaurant overlooks the beautiful landscape of the Golf Course. We had the choice of an extensive and varied menu with everyone enjoying their meal and the excellent service. Avenue we would certainly visit again.

At our June meeting we will welcome Mr John Manterfield giving us a talk entitled 'Professions in Georgian Lincolnshire'

There is no meeting in July.

Our Annual Outing is on Monday 24th July when we will join an A.C. Williams coach trip to Bakewell in Derbyshire. Full details of times etc. will be given at our June meeting.

Membership is still £14 pa. Visitors are always welcome for just £2 per night

Meetings are held in the Village hall on the 2nd Tuesday each month, except for outings in May and July and last for about 2 hours commencing at 7.30pm. Guests, male and female are always very welcome.

For further information please contact:-
Jennie Keech 01572 767648 or Jenny Pacey 01572 767783

Beeps and Flashes

Why cant we have knobs that turn that take no time at all? Instead of buttons that have to be pressed dr-dr-dr-dr taking twice as much time and effort! Why do they think its progress. I have a pathetic iron—it cost £80 new but my daughter brought it in the sale a great bargain at £27 or so we thought , huh!
 Every step is accompanied by beeps and flashes... Why ? If its so clever, that if you don't actually iron for more than 30 seconds or in the case of my iron—when you have been ironing for 4-5 mins beep beep 'pause' poor thing it has less stamina than I have at a fairly advance age! It really winds me up and although it irons quite well when it does, I come away from it intensely irritated. Scientist seem to think ordinary people have no common sense or ability to think for ourselves.
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Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on the 2nd May 2017 at 7.30pm

As Clare Fowler has stood down from the PC / Chairman of the PC, the clerk started the meeting until the Chairman was elected, see minute ref. 17-067.

Present 17-064 Cllr C Ashton, Cllr F Parish, Cllr A White, Cllr Hodgkin, Cllr M Kinning, Cllr A Smith, Cllr C v Strauben- zee, Cllr S Lansdowne, Cllr J Oldfield, Cllr K Jolley, LCCllr/ SKDCllr R Adams, SKDCllr A Webster, Mrs H Sandon (parish clerk), 3 residents.

Apologies for Absence 17-065 none

Receive Declaration of Interests 17-066 Cllrs Smith and White both declared an interest in Planning Matters 17-074 a) ii) Mr & Mrs T Folwell, 27a Water Lane, demolition of existing single storey building and erection of a new dwelling and garage.

Election of Chairman/ Vice Chairman 17-067 After discussion by Cllrs, Cllr Jolley agreed to stand for Chairman. Cllr Jolley was proposed and with all in favour, was voted in as Chairman and duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Cllr Ashton was proposed and with all in favour, was voted in as Vice Chairman.

Councillor Vacancy 17-068 A vacancy exists on the Parish Council following the resignation of Clare Fowler. Clerk to display the statutory notices around the village / website advertising the vacancy. To put on the June agenda to invite residents to apply for vacancy to be filled by co option, should a by- election not be called within 14 working days.

Public Forum 17-069 Two residents came along to discuss their planning application, see agenda item, *Planning Matters, 17-074 a) ii) below*.

Report from LCCllr Bob Adams 17-070 LCCllr Adams explained that the new working arrangements at LCC mean that LCCllrs have now lost direct phone access to LCC staff, they too have to go through the new online reporting system like the general Public.

SWPC outstanding matters with LCC;

i) Church Lane broken barriers/perishing roadside into the Dyke - LCC (Mr Bonner) to update this week.

ii) Great Close flooding issue, still awaiting LCC response.

iii) Road Safety – Highway issues/ signage, information sought by Cllr Parish still not received.

SKDCllr Andrea Webster requested that all of these matters are forwarded to her to take up with Nick Boles on SWPC's behalf.

Notes of the Annual Parish Meeting and the April monthly meeting, both held on the 4th Apr 2017 17-071

The notes of both meetings were approved by the Council and signed by the Chair in acceptance as minutes.

Financial Matters 17-072

Monthly Accounts SWPC total bank balance £16281.21, BMM £18130.20, Play project £272.67.

Payments; chqs issued 1) Helen Sandon (parish clerk pay/ expenses £504.59), 2) Janine Costello (Apr litter picking-summer hours) £210.00, 3) Ainscough Alarms (door sensor fix 23/11/16) £132.00, 4) Jim Oldfield (reimbursement for cemetery car park lock) £ 9.47, 5) Chris Cunningham (bus shelter clean 18/3/17) £20.00, 6) Tracy Stafford (cemetery grass cutting Mar/Apr, 3 cuts at £60) £180.00, 7) Shelter Maintenance Ltd (bus shelter replacement Per-spez) £234.00. Clerk advised of new 2 yr contract from 1st Sept 2017 for VH gas, sourced through " Make it Cheaper", again with CNG Ltd, 4.02 p/kwh hr, nil standing chg. VHMC invoiced for 1/2 Yr rent (Apr) £300.00.

Open Spaces Society annual subscription reminder received £45, Cllrs decided not to continue with this subscription.

EOY Account Return 2016/17

Grant Thornton agreed to extension to deadline return date to 12th June 2017. Accounts to go to Gordon this week for Internal Audit to be completed, PC to sign off at meeting on the 6th June 2017.

Clerk's and Councillors' reports on ; 17-073

Annual litter Pick- Sunday 23rd April, Cllr Parish Cllr Parish advised that this was a great success with 27 people turning up to help. Cllr Hodgkin was thanked for providing the refreshments.

Road Safety Issues, Cllrs Parish

See also report from LCCllr Bob Adams 17-055 iii) above. 30 mile signs partially obscured on Mill Lane / High St, Cllrs White and Oldfield offered to prune. Response from Marc Jones, Lincs Police and Crime Commissioner to SWPC letter re. speeding/ traffic issues – to be a Road Safety Summit in Lincs later in the year to discuss road safety issues in region, to take on board our comments and to publicise the Summit in due course. Cllr Parish to arrange a meeting of the subcommittee in the coming week.

Holiday Activities, Cllr Parish Activities held in the Easter holidays. Cllr Parish has a variety of sports equipment in her garage, which needs to be in VH but currently insufficient storage. Cllrs Parish and Hodgkin to look at changing rooms for possible siting of a storage box / built in cupboard.

VH recreational field, Cllr Parish Cllr Parish explained that the children want somewhere to play football, but are stopped from using large goals on VH rec, as footballs then hit residents' fencing (rear of Water Lane) as no football nets. Also with the resident complaints on Wimberley Way green of damage/ nuisance of kids playing football, they need a designated area to play. Matt O 'Dell may be able to help with free labour if for instance a target wall is built for goal practise. Other ideas 5 a side area, or general all weather pitch. Cllr Ashton offered to speak with Helen Anderson who led the Play Project Committee to install the skate park/play area, for advice re. fundraising / grants. To put on June agenda.

Great Close flooding issue, clerk Covered in report from LCCllr Bob Adams 17-070

Church Lane safety barriers, clerk Covered in report from LCCllr Bob Adams 17-070

Allotments, Cllr van Straubensee

Monies / agreements being returned by allotment holders, clerk to chase remaining tenants. Vacant plots have been re let, with one plot remaining for hire. Enquiries to Cllr van Straubensee or the clerk.

Cllr Oldfield advised that the village Sunflower completion is underway, with a lot of interest, seeds had also been delivered to the Primary School.

Solar street lighting options (High Street to Church St & Wellfield Close to Templars Way), Cllr Jolley

Cllr Jolley advised that the solar lighting would cost £200 approx. then £60-£70 to install, PC agreed to this request. Cllr White to speak with Mr Geeson to seek his approval as rear of his property before go ahead.

Monthly play area inspection, Cllr Oldfield Cllr Oldfield reported that the skate park bin is completely broken, clerk to order a new one, Cllr Oldfield to concrete into place.

Planning Matters 17-074

New planning applications received by SKDC for Parish Council comment

i) **PL/0038/17 South Witham Quarry, Mill Lane - Development: Proposed Western extension to South Witham Quarry, the completion of operations in the existing quarry together with the relinquishment of the permitted area to the North of Mill Lane granted under the historic interim development order**

SWPC Planning Committee had met and formulated its response which was submitted to LCC by the 18/4/17 deadline set. Response summary - SWPC considers the application fair, as Breedon had taken into consideration residents' objections and had withdrawn the proposed Eastern extension. New application to fully comply with previous applications re. working hrs, dust and noise. Also the gesture of the company signing a Section 106 legal agreement relinquishing permitted areas to the North of Mill Lane under historic Interim Development consents be

a binding guarantee for the village that this land is not used for any future quarrying activities by any party. Public Right of Way remains in place and application does not include any removal, remodelling or reshaping. (Full response on file with the clerk, or can be viewed on the LCC website).

ii) **Mr & Mrs T Folwell, 27a Water Lane, demolition of existing single storey building and erection of a new dwelling and garage** No objections from SWPC.

New planning applications received by SKDC for Parish Council comment after publication of the agenda i) Mr & Mrs Taylor, 17 Church Street, trees in Conservation Area- Section 211 Notice, tree pruning - no objections from SWPC.

SKDC planning permissions granted/refused

i) S16/2399 Mr James Eldrin, erection of 5 houses on land off Hillview Rd – permission refused by SKDC.

Cllr Representative for Rural Police Panel Meeting 17-075 Cllrs Jolley and Ashton agreed to go to the next Police panel meeting at Carlbj Village Hall, 6.30pm on Tuesday 23rd May 2017.

Correspondence 17-076

Centrebus reply re. bus engine running when idling outside village shop, stating that buses should not have engines running for more than a couple of minutes. If occurs again, to further report to Operations Manager to take up with driver.

LCC grass cutting 2017- funding for amenity cuts withdrawn as at 24/2/17, these areas to be done as part of safety cuts, 2 cuts a yr.

LCC letter re. new ways of working/ reporting faults/ engaging with Parish Councils.

LCC Notice of Poll for election of a County Councillor for Colsterworth Rural Election Division - displayed by clerk on village notice boards. LALC Emergency Planning Group conference 8/6/17 info.

Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan submission of site locations document under Reg 22.

SKDC new Local Plan consultation events, notice that these have been postponed until after the General Election.

Any other business 17-077

Bus shelter on North Witham Rd damaged on 24/4/17.

Clerk arranged repair with Shelter Maintenance Ltd, glass panel has now been replaced with GRP (glass reinforced plastic- wired), cost £195 plus vat. Cllr Oldfield was thanked for clearing the glass from the site.

Following attendance / discussion with South Witham Academy at the Annual Parish Meeting last month, the PC is disappointed that the school has opted to go with Rutland and not Lincolnshire school holidays. This news has come to the PC unofficially, as the clerk has not been notified of this decision. Clerk to let the School know that the PC is very disappointed with its decision, as it has disregarded the majority view of the parents. Clerk to also remind the school that staff and parents are welcome to park at the VH and use the rear pathway to school, to ease congestion.

The PC was glad to see that the school raised the Community Flag on St George's Day.

SKDC had confirmed that it had cleared the fly tipping on road from Moor Lane to Sewstern, (reported 21/2/17), Cllr van Straubensee advised it is still there, clerk to check and further contact SKDC.

Cllr Hodgkin to speak with Mr Medcalf to see if VH drive-way lights can be angled down, as still causing a nuisance to residents nearby.

Cllr Ashton reported that dogs in the Twyford Meadows area are causing a nuisance with barking, they are let out into their garden early morning and continue to bark for 2-3 hrs. He is establish which property is causing this problem.

Appointment of third member 17-078 Cllr Kinning

Date of next meeting 17-079 Tues 6th June 2017 at 7.30pm Meeting closed at 9.15pm

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Morning Prayer is said every Wednesday at Castle Bytham at 10am. Whilst the church roof is being repaired we are holding it in various places, please call me for details. Many thanks Rev Graham

Church Services for the Group June 2017

	4th June Pentecost	11th June Trinity	18th June Trinity 1	25th June Trinity 2
Little Bytham St. Medards & St Gildards	9.00a.m. Holy Communion		6.00pm Evensong	
Castle Bytham St. James		9.00a.m. Holy Communion	10.30am Group Holy Communion	11.00am Morning Praise
Careby St. Stephens				
Creeton St. Peter				9.00a.m. Holy Communion
North Witham St Marys		11.00am Family Communion		
South Witham St. John the Baptist	11.00a.m. Holy Communion			11.00a.m. Morning Praise
Readings	Acts 2:1-21 John 20:19-23	2 Cor 13:11-13 Matt 28:16-20	Romans 5:1-8 Matt 9:35-10:8	Romans 6:1-11 Matt 10:24-39

Christian Aid

Thank you so much for turning out for our 'Afternoon Teas' in Church.

We had a good steady flow of people and raised £152 for Christian Aid

Church Services for the Group July 2017

	2nd July Trinity 3	9th July Trinity 4	16th July Trinity 5	23rd July Trinity 6	30th July Trinity 7
Little Bytham St. Medards & St Gildards	9.00a.m. Holy Communion		11a.m Sunday School 6.00pm Evensong		
Castle Bytham St. James		9.00a.m. Holy Communion		11.00am Family Service	
Careby St. Stephens			9.00a.m. Holy Communion		
Creeton St. Peter	6.00pm Compline			9.00a.m. Holy Communion	
North Witham St Marys		11.00am Family Communion			10.30am Group Holy Communion
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Readings	Rom. 6:12-23 Matt 10:40-42	Rom. 7:15-25a Matt 11:16-19 & 25-30	Romans 8:1-11 Matt 13:1-9 & 18-23	Rom. 8:12-25 Matt 13:24-30 & 36-43	Rom. 8:26-39 Matt 13:31-33 & 44-52

Summer Sunshine!

I think summer has finally arrived! There is warm sunshine streaming through my windows, the spring flowers are dying away and the summer leaves and buds are beginning to show themselves! I have endeavoured to guide you through the churches year in my rambling, and we begin this month with the celebration of Pentecost on the 4th June. Pentecost is the day we celebrate the Holy Spirit coming upon the disciples, and the Sunday after we think of God the Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

It is sometimes difficult to understand the three are all one, how can they all be God? The simplest way to understand this is that water comes in three ways, as the liquid we drink, as ice in its frozen state and as steam when it is hot. In a similar way God is manifested in three ways, God the Father, God the Son who became man and ministered on earth in three short years, and God the Holy Spirit who is the one that empowers us as disciples as we try to live out our time on earth.

Now is the time we can relax after the busy time of first Christmas, then into Lent and of course Easter, and then Pentecost. And so we enter the holiday season, when people are looking for some recuperation, relaxation and enjoying the summer sunshine! We all need some time for ourselves, away from the business of life. Faith is not something we can pick up and put down as we like, but a continuous process that should be intertwined with our every

day living, at work, and at home in our leisure time. I often say to wedding couples in the marriage service that they should make time for each other, family and friends as well as God in their lives. The same goes for all of us, we need to make time for those we love, our communities and God. All of these are important strands that should be woven together in a balanced way, making sure that none are neglected and all have an equal amount of time. I know that is harder than it sounds, but for one to take over and the others to be neglected makes for an unbalanced life and therefore something(s) suffer. That is an indicator for things to go wrong, and one group or another feels pushed out and unwanted. We all like to feel wanted and loved, and so our life has to be all inclusive for all these things that are important to our existence!

I hope that you all have the opportunity over the coming weeks to make time for relaxation, to make time for friends and family with maybe a barbeque and a beer, and of course able to make time for God in your lives!

With God's blessing for a relaxing summer!
 Rev. Graham

More success for South Witham Kurlers



Persons in photo from left: Ilona Franz, Ken Reader, Maureen Reader, Shirley Fisher, Peter Hempsall, Margaret Wilkinson

South Witham Kurlers attended the World Championships at Widnes on 29th and 30th April. They competed against other Kurlers from Germany and the UK. The club was very successful with Maureen and Ken Reader coming second in the World Pairs Championship against twenty-four other competing teams, and two other teams from South Witham also qualifying for the cup competition.

In the Singles competition, held on the Sunday, our most successful player was Ilona Franz getting through to the quarter finals with four others also qualifying for the cup competition.

The club appreciates the continued sponsorship from The Angel Inn.

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