

Dialect and Oral History: The East Midlands
AUDIO RECORD
Recording:

Reference TP03
Dialect Location Leicester
Date of interview 01/02/2008

Interviewee:

Gender Female
Date of birth / age 1936
Occupation Unknown

Summary/Transcript:

Extract taken from
26m58s – 28m11s

Indoors is September (...) to April but we now have some summer leagues anyway [unintelligible] I think they've always had it actually s/ leagues in the summer but when we first started the club closed from I think it was two o'clock (...) two o'clock till four o'clock I think it was in the afternoon but with having the outdoor green outside ours cos they don't belong to one another one's Melton Town and one's Melton Indoor Bowls and (...) they had to have the club open for them to use the facilities for the toilets and things like that so there was quite a few of us said well (...) if the club's open why don't we/ if people want to come just for a roll-up themselves it's a little bit of revenue coming in so they started to then open it all all the while you know and we now have competitions in the summer which you can play at any time now you know and you can go for a roll/ there's no leagues I don't think in the summer in an afternoon they're usually morning and evening I think because some people work so they have to come in the evenings you know but (...) it's open all the time all the year round yeah

Linguistic description:
Phonology

Feature	Example(s)	Comments
FOOT/STRUT → [ʊ]	summer – [sʊmə]	Consistent
BATH/TRAP → [æ]	afternoon – [æftənu:n]	Consistent
PRICE → [aɪ]	outside – [aʊʔsaid]	Frequent but not consistent (non-function words only)
happY-vowel	actually – [æʔtʃəli:]	Consistent
Monophthongisation: /ɔɪ/ → [ɔ:]	toilets – [tɔ:ləʔs]	Consistent for this word
/eɪ/ → [ɪ]	they/they've – [ðɪ] / [ðɪv]	Consistent for this word

	/aɪ/ → [a]	l – [a]	Consistent for this word
	<-er> → [ɐ]	September – [sɛptɛmbɐ]	Occurs once
	Reduction	but – [bət]	Consistent for this word
	L-vocalisation	April – [eɪprəʊ ^w] always – [ɔweɪz] till – [tɪʊ ^w] bowls – [bɔʊ ^w z]	Consistent - when // occurs in syllable final position, or before or after /w/
	Dark //	leagues ^(1st line) – [ti:gz]	Occurs in syllable initial position
	T-glottalisation	it – [ɪʔ] Melton ^(2nd occ.) - [meɪʔən] toilets – [tɔ:ləʔs]	Frequent but not consistent, word medially and finally
	K-glottalisation	actually – [æʔtʃə.li:]	Occurs twice
	Yod-dropping	revenue – [revənu:]	Occurs once
	<-ng> → [ŋ]	evenings – [i:vniŋz]	Occurs once

Lexis	Item	Meaning	Comments

Grammar	Feature	Example(s)	Comments
	Singular vs. Plural – 'to be'	“there <u>was</u> quite a few” “there’s <u>s</u> no leagues”	Occurs in past tense and present tense construction
	Zero relative pronoun	“there was quite a few of us \emptyset said”	Occurs when modifying a clause with existential ‘there’
	Non-standard time phrase	“all the while”	‘all the time’, Occurs once

Further comments: