

Congratulations to Gosforth Empire, who won the final heat of this year's Dransfields/CIU National Quiz to book their place in the final at Alvaston & Crewton Social Club in Derby at 1pm on Sunday, September 7. A tight contest saw Newbottle WMC second with the Malleable Club from Stockton third. The National Reserve Club from Sunderland were pipped into fourth place despite identifying a mystery personality from this clue alone for five points:

I grew up in America and England as my father was a foreign correspondent. He covered the moon landings and at 11 I held hands with Neil Armstrong's Secretary as he stepped on the moon. I have a first class degree in archaeology and anthropology from Girton College, Cambridge. In 2012 I succeeded Sheila Hancock as Chancellor of Portsmouth University.

For one point we would have told you that she is Danish and a Lesbian, recently became the presenter of 15 to 1 and is, of course, Sandi Toksvig.

The line-up for the CIU National Quiz final is as follows:

- 1 Hampton Road Social Club, Blackpool
- 2 Ashtead Village Club, Leatherhead
- 3 Alvaston & Crewton SC, Derby
- 4 Maesglas Sports B, Newport
- 5 Malleable Club, Stockton-on-Tees
- 6 Sydney Street WMC A, Accrington
- 7 New Haw Club, Surrey
- 8 Unicorn Social Club, Coventry
- 9 Newbottle WMC, Sunderland
- 10 Reddish WMC, Stockport
- 11 Aberkenfig Social, Bridgend
- 12 Radford Social Club, Coventry
- 13 Gosforth Empire, Newcastle
- 14 Ashford Road, Swindon
- 15 Maesglas Sports A, Newport

The final of this year's Dransfields CIU National at Alvaston & Crewton Social Club in Derby has been switched to Sunday, September 7. Six more teams have qualified following heats in Surrey and South Wales.

The South Wales and West of England heat was held at Bettws Social Club near Newport and saw last year's national champions Maesglas Social Club from Newport beaten into second place by Aberkenfig Social Club from Bridgend. The Maesglas B team finished third to clinch the last place in the final. The South East heat at Epsom Common Club was won by Ashford Road Club from Swindon with two Surrey clubs New Haw and Ashtead Village Club second and third. One heat remains, the North East heat at Lemington Social Club in Newcastle on July 24.



The winning Sunderland quiz team (left to right): Dave Taylor (Ashbrooke Club); Eric Darke (Hastings Hill); Tucker Mooney (Newbottle WMC) and captain Martin O'Neill (Hastings Hill). Below: runners-up Richard Coyne, Paul Smith and Keith Birch from Tramways A and Peter Adams (second right) from Huntington WMC.





Cwmcarn WMC won £20 by finishing second last. Shirley Hillier, Sue Dymczynski, Tony Harris (and his guide dog Neil) and Rudi Dymczynski are pictured with (back row, left to right): Paul Davies from co-sponsors The Co-operative Bank, Kingsley Jones from sponsors Dransfields, Monmouthshire Branch Secretary Jim Harrison, Western Counties Branch Secretary Mark Brewer and Gareth Evans from Dransfields.