

# Club Journal

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## DELEGATES VOTE ON NEW CONSTITUTION

Delegates to this month's Annual Council Meeting in Blackpool will be voting on a new Constitution that changes the name of the Union and abolishes the role of the General Secretary.

The National Executive have proposed 10 notices of motion detailing the changes that will need to be made to the Constitution. Each motion specifies particular rules that are affected so the agenda needs to be read in conjunction with the new draft constitution.

"The Executive felt we needed to streamline the management of the Union," said National President George Dawson. "We have been able to operate successfully without a General Secretary now for a couple of years so we know this system does work."

Rule 1 of the new constitution changes the name of the Union from the Working Men's Club & Institute Limited to CIU Limited and is covered by the first motion on the agenda. It reflects the fact that in the 21st century clubs are no longer dominated by men in the same way as they were, and helps the Union to present itself as a modern organisation. It's estimated around 300 of our 1,800 clubs have a woman as Club Secretary and less than 10 remain as men-only clubs.

### TEN MOTIONS

The ten motions on the agenda refer to the rule changes that will need to take place. Motion 2 covers all the places where the role of the General Secretary is mentioned in the old constitution while following the sale of Saltburn House to Hayes Working Men's Club – see below – Motion 3 removes the phrase "facilitate the provision of convalescence" from the list of the Union's objectives as well as the requirement to spend money on convalescent facilities. Hayes WMC have indicated, however, that they will continue to offer convalescent facilities where rooms are available.

Other motions refer to the annual fee, which is now calculated at a rate per member rather than just on the size of a club's male membership; provision is made for a member of the Head Office staff to replace the General Secretary as Returning Officer at elections and the date when the Provisional Agenda for Blackpool is sent out changes from February 1 to February 15.

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## Union loses a champion



(Picture: Wolverhampton Express & Star)

Crowds watch as Lord Bilston's cortege passes.

The Union has lost one of its greatest champions following the death of Lord Bilston, formerly the MP Dennis Turner, at the age of 71.

Crowds lined the streets of Bilston in Wolverhampton to pay their respects to the former club secretary and steelworker, who was the Secretary of the Clubs' All-Party Parliamentary Group. Among those who paid tribute to Lord Bilston were former Labour Leader Neil Kinnock and fellow West Midlands MP Clare Short for whom he worked as a Parliamentary aide.

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## Club buys Saltburn

The Union's last Convalescent Centre, Saltburn House on the north Yorkshire coast, has been bought by one of our most successful clubs.

Hayes WMC will be running the building as an extension of their club in West London. As well as hotel-style accommodation with special rates for all CIU club members they are offering entertainment, meals and the usual facilities of a club and have already signed up more than 600 people in the town as members.

The club were so committed to the deal that they had spent £50,000 on alterations before contracts were exchanged last month.

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## Branch elects its first woman

Clare Sayer (above), who represents Farnborough (Kent) Social Club, has become the first woman to be elected to the Kent Branch Executive.

An Assistant Secretary at Dartford Working Men's Club for two years and a member there for 21 years, Clare joined the Farnborough club five years ago. Her father Peter Sands is the Branch Leisure Secretary and has been President of Dartford WMC for 19 years.

## PROUD AND HONOURED

### HAYES WORKING MEN'S CLUB LATE NIGHT CABARET

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## Family distinguished itself for 80 years

Distinguished Service Awards have been presented to two members of the same family at the club in South Wales known as the Baden Powell club.

The awards were earned by Ray Rees, who has retired after 35 years as Treasurer of Ynyshir WMC (pronounced iniseer but more often just called The Baden) in the Rhondda Valley, and his son-in-law Colin Rowe, who has also given 40 years' service to the management of the club and is now Club Chairman. Ray was unable to attend the annual club dinner when the awards were presented, however, so Club Secretary Julie Tyler presented one Distinguished Service Award to Colin and his wife Gaynor accepted the other award on behalf of her father.

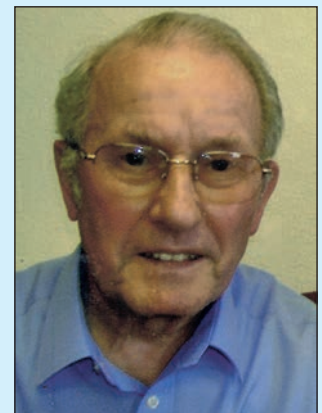
Ray, now 86, has been a loyal club member for 47 years. For more than 40 of those years he acted as MC for Saturday night dancing and also assumed this role for other functions whenever he was asked. He joined the Committee in 1973 and in 1978 he became Club Treasurer, holding the post until last year.

"Ray was always willing to help in any way possible and will be sadly missed as part of the management," said Julie. "But the Committee and members hope he will now relax and enjoy a quiet drink with family and friends whenever he is able to attend the club."

The story of why the club is known as the Baden is not known for certain. According to the late Roy Rees (no relation), who led the club's quiz team to fourth in the CIU National Quiz, the club originally opened in the early 1900s as a Conservative club but didn't last long. When it reopened as a working men's club it was suggested that Lord Baden Powell perform the opening and the name has stuck.



Julie Tyler presented Distinguished Service Awards to Colin Rowe and to his wife Gaynor, who accepted the award on behalf of her father Ray Rees (below.)



Alan Broxton, the President of Burnley Wood Conservative WMC in Lancashire, was presented with his 10-year Certificate of Merit and Badge at the club's recent AGM.

Pictured (left to right) with him are Club Secretary Anthony Hodgkinson, Branch Executive member Allan Harwood and Treasurer Adrian Porter.

### Club's 5-mile walk

A walking group has been formed by members of Baddeley Green WMC and its inaugural five-mile stroll took in some of the picturesque parts of North Staffordshire that surround the club.

# Tony's 50 years of charity work

Clubman Tony Trotter has received a special award from his Branch after raising thousands of pounds for a variety of charities. South East Midlands Branch President Barry Slasberg presented Tony, a member of Rushden Town Band Club, Higham Ferrers WMC and Higham Ferrers Town Band Club, with the Haddon Memorial Bowl for the club member who has contributed most to club life in the area.

Tony's citation reads:

"Tony Trotter has been granted the award for his diligent work in our clubs for 50 years where he has been responsible for raising tens of thousands of pounds for local, national and indeed CIU charities. "Examples of events run were rock and roll dances and one year he walked from home to Bedford and back – about 26 miles – to raise money for the CIU Chine appeal. Other recipients of monies raised have been sufferers from Down's Syndrome, Alzheimer's Disease, breast cancer and child cancer.

"Unwell local children have been given days at the seaside. Autistic children were given the experience of swimming with dolphins. Parents with sick children were given help with expenses to visit their children in Great Ormond Street, Kettering and Northampton hospitals. The Air Ambulance and Marie Curie Appeal were also supported. "That is not an exhaustive list.

"Tony is a person who has never sought publicity for himself over decades of hard work for others, a truly selfless individual who epitomises all that is good in our movement."

The silver Haddon Memorial Bowl was first presented 30 years ago to commemorate the memory of former Branch President Wally Haddon CMD and his family who worked tirelessly for clubs in Northamptonshire and Bedfordshire. Wally was on the Board of the Clubs Brewery in Leicester and also President of Rushden Windmill Club.



Tony is pictured with (left to right) his daughter Michelle and granddaughter Georgia, John Tobin, his wife Rose, Branch Vice-President Mick Bott, Branch Secretary Carol Goddard and Branch President Barry Slasberg. Mick, a former Secretary of Wootton WMC near Northampton has submitted this poem about Committee life ...

## \*\*\*\*ING BRILLIANT



Carlton & Smithies Ex-Servicemen's Club in Barnsley had a swear box for a month and a raffle and raised £440 for the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Mark Perry from the Air Ambulance is pictured receiving the cheque from President Malc Beaumont (left) and Vice-President Ray Allott, who came up with the idea when he was on the door.



Tony receives the bowl from Barry Slasberg.

### The Committee

Oh, give me your pity,  
I'm on the Committee  
which means from morn to night  
we attend and amend  
and contend and defend  
without a conclusion in sight.

We confirm and concur,  
we defend and demur  
and reverberate all our thoughts.  
We revise the Agenda  
with frequent addenda,  
and consider a load of reports.

We propose and compose,  
we suppose and oppose  
and points of Procedure are fun.  
But though various notions  
are brought up as Motions  
there is terribly little gets done.

We resolve and absolve  
but we never dissolve  
since it's out of the question for us  
What a shattering pity  
to end our Committee  
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## The £12m Club

A former Buffs club has gone on sale – for 12.5m!

Heath View (above) on the edge of Clapham Common in South London was built as a family home in the mid-19th Century but became home to the local Branch of the Royal Antedeluvian Order of Buffaloes during the 1960s when legend has it fashion designer Vivienne Westwood was a regular visitor.

It lay empty for seven years but has been meticulously refurbished and now has nine bedrooms, seven bathrooms, a gym and a cinema. You can take a virtual tour at: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/property/propertyvideo/10646652/From-Working-Mans-Club-to-12.5-million-luxury-house.html>

# Ethel goes extra mile

Last year we reported that Ethel Morgan had been honoured by her Monmouthshire club at the age of 92. This year she has been honoured by the whole of Newport. A member of Rogerstone and Bassaleg Social Club, Ethel was presented with a special award by the Mayor Coun. Cliff Suller at the city's Extra Mile awards, which are awarded to those who have made a difference to the lives of others. Ethel founded the Ladies' Volunteer Committee 30 years ago when the club was still the Alcan Social Club. She had originally worked for Alcan, who built the club in the 1940s entirely out of aluminium to demonstrate the qualities of the metal they produced.

Ethel and her fellow Committee members raised money with regular raffles to organise Christmas parties, social evenings and trips across the Bristol Channel to Weston-super-Mare. Club Chairman Paul Ryall said: "Ethel is a very special lady and it's great to see the city giving her the recognition she deserves."



Ethel is pictured with the Mayor and Elaine Owen from sponsors The Original Factory Shop.

## Comrades back in business

Work being carried out on the snooker tables at Wallsend Ex-Servicemen's Club, also known as The Comrades



A Tyneside club is back up and running after it was closed for more than a year following two suspected arson attacks. More than 20 firemen fought a fire in December 2012 at Wallsend Ex-servicemen's Club, which severely damaged 70 per cent of the ground floor. It followed an earlier incident in October when CCTV showed someone attempting to break a window and pour petrol through. Club Secretary Michael McNaughton said: "It's been a difficult time but we're pleased to be open again."

## BIG NIGHT FOR TEX



Stephen "Tex" Middleton is pictured after being presented with his Long Service Award marking 25 years' service to Leatherhead Social Club in Surrey.

With him (left to right) are South East Met Branch President Trevor Baker, Branch Secretary Sue Graham and Vice-President Andy Way. At 17 Stephen went to a works disco wearing a pair of jeans with tassels on the pockets and the DJ called him Tex after Tex Ritter. The name has stuck ever since.





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**TEAMWORK:** (L-R): Club Steward Telfert Smith, President and Chairman Nathan Freeman, HEINEKEN Regional Sales Manager Stuart Paling and Secretary Phil Roberts work in partnership to ensure the club enjoys continued success

Walmley Social Club in Sutton Coldfield started out in a wooden hut more than 100 years ago but now boasts one of the most modern clubs in the country.

With a membership of 700 which is continually growing, the club is bucking the trend according to President and Chairman Nathan Freeman.

"We have found that providing our members with

a wide range of social activities and functions throughout the week in the various different areas of the club maintains footfall and we are constantly trying to build on their success.

"We have everything from ballroom dance classes, line dancing and Zumba-style fitness sessions to The Sutton Coldfield Jazz Club, live entertainment and three large screen televisions for all the top sporting events.

"In addition, we have a dominoes and table tennis team playing in local leagues and we are most proud of our nine snooker tables with three teams in the West Midlands League.

"In fact, six-times World Champion Steve Davis once said that we have some of the best tables and club surroundings that he had ever seen, which is quite a compliment!

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**ON CUE:** The club's nine snooker tables and surroundings were described by six-times World Champion Steve Davis as the best he had ever seen



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## How Casual Worker Contracts differ from Zero Hour ones

Casual Worker Contracts are not the same as Zero Hour Contracts. For more information about Zero Hour Contracts, please refer to the article on that subject described in the January 2014 edition of the *Club Journal*.

The basic difference between Casual Worker Contracts and Zero Hour Contracts is that anyone operating under a Zero Hour Contract has employment status. This gives them employment rights as with other employed club staff. A Zero Hour Contract contains provisions which create an "on-call" arrangement between the club and its employee. It does not oblige the club to provide work for its employee, nor does it oblige the employee to accept the work offered.

Those working under a Casual Worker Contract are not employees but are described as "workers" within UK employment legislation. A Casual Worker Contract does not give rise to a relationship of employer and employee. There is no mutuality of obligation whatsoever between the parties. This means that the club is not obliged to offer work, nor is the worker obliged to accept any offer of work made by the club.

### Common Law Duties and Conduct

A "worker" will still owe the club the usual common law duties expected, which will include:

- Ensuring their conduct is not detrimental to the interests of the club.
- Ensuring services are carried out with reasonable care and skill to a standard reasonably expected by the club.
- Complying with the club's policies, procedures and practices
- Taking reasonable steps to ensure their own safety and the safety of others.
- Complying with all reasonable instructions and requests within the scope of the agreed services and duties.

### Annual Holidays

"Workers" are entitled to 5.6 weeks' paid holiday per year (subject to a maximum of 28 days), including any public/bank holiday entitlement. Entitlement is calculated on a pro rata basis. The club must make an additional payment equivalent of the hourly fee for each hour worked as payment for annual leave accrued. This additional payment must be separately detailed on the Pay Notification, for clarity.

### Sick Pay

"Workers" are entitled to Statutory Sick Pay (SSP) provided the worker meets the qualifying SSP conditions.

### Giving notice

There is no requirement on either the "worker" or the club to give notice to end the agreement.

Although there is no formal requirement to give notice of termination of the agreement, both the "worker" and the club should agree to inform the other if either decides not to provide work for the other.

If you are considering offering either Zero Hour Contracts or, Casual Worker Contracts to anyone, then please contact your Branch Secretary for more information.

### Members Corner

### Informative articles which affect our lives

by Dione Mobley

Hello Club Members

Surprising as it may sound, one in ten of our over-65s in the UK is malnourished. Recent reports have concluded hunger and malnutrition is becoming quite a common problem for many here in the United Kingdom, and it still remains an issue for many poorer developing countries overseas.

According to a study by the National Association of Care Catering there are close to 3 million people who are malnourished in the UK and 350,000 have used food banks in the past year. Sadly, at least one third of those who are not getting enough to eat are elderly people living alone including one in 10 of those aged over 65.

The data collected for this research shows 93 per cent of those affected by malnutrition were found to be suffering from not only economic pressures but the steady rise in the cost of living.

More than one third of councils in both England and Wales are subsidising food banks, but more needs to be done to stamp out hunger in the UK. In the meantime there are some ways we can all help to address hunger in our own local towns or rural communities.

If you have a few hours to spare maybe you can consider volunteering your time or putting together a fundraising event in your club, church or school to collect non-perishable, in-date food items to donate to the local food banks in your own area.

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### Turn down the volume, grandad

**A Catholic Club in Manchester, where the average age is over 70, has been warned for playing music too loud.**

**The club has been served with a statutory nuisance notice, which comes with a maximum fine of £20,000 because its regular three-piece band's repertoire of 60s hits are too loud for one of its neighbours, a new mother.**

**The complaint has come despite the club spending £25,000 on soundproofing. The local Tameside Council recently fitted a sound limiter, designed to cut music out when it exceeds a certain level but these devices can be ineffective if a window or doors are left open.**

**The club's Committee must comply with the legal notice issued under the Environmental Protection Act or face a hefty fine and a court appearance.**

# High flyers help high flyers

The team behind the King of Clubs have proved to be aces at fundraising by handing over a cheque for £10,000 to their local Air Ambulance.

Beechwood, Easterside & District Social Club in Middlesbrough raised the money with a year-long campaign of fundraising events including bungee jumps, a walk in the North York Moors, and a coast-to-coast cycle ride along the line of Hadrian's Wall. "We decided to adopt a charity and spend a year raising funds to really make a difference," said Club Secretary Mick Smith.

This year the club has teamed up with radio station Magic FM to raise money for Cash for Kids, which helps disabled

and disadvantaged children. Among the ventures is a Two Ferries bike ride, which involves cycling from Middlesbrough to Hull, taking the ferry to Rotterdam, cycling to Amsterdam, sailing from there to Newcastle and back to Middlesbrough.

The club was voted King of Clubs in the 2013 Club Awards, organised by Club Mirror. This year the Union is again sponsoring the award for the Traditional Club of the Year, which was won jointly by two CIU clubs Bloxwich Memorial Club in the West Midlands, and North Ormesby WMC in Middlesbrough.

Clubs have until June 16 to enter for the Traditional Club of the Year or one of the other categories by filling in the form below.



Picture: Northern Echo

Vice-President Kenny Gibson and President Nicky Fairless with the £10,000 cheque.

## AGENDA FOR ANNUAL MEETING

SESSION COMMENCES 10.00 a.m.

- Minutes of the Council Meeting held 6th April 2013.
- Civic Welcome by The Worshipful Mayor of Blackpool, Councillor Eddie Collett.
- Standing Orders Committee.
- President's Address.
- Presentation of Club Management Diploma to Caroline Cunningham 1st place Accountancy 2013.
- To consider the Annual Report 2013.
- To consider the Union's Financial Statement for the year ended 30th September 2013.
- To update the Union's Constitution by way of amendment

### NOTICE OF MOTIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Proposed by the National Executive 2014

- Motion 1** Reference to a name change from Working Men's Club and Institute Limited to CIU Limited. Rules: 1 2 3 5 6 7 8 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 28 29 30 32 34 35 36.
- Motion 2** Reference to the General Secretary to be replaced with the Executive. Rules:- 5 7 16 17 18 19 20 23 25 31 32 33.
- Motion 3** Reference to a Convalescent Home. Rules 2 and 29.
- Motion 4** Reference to Branches. Rule 8.
- Motion 5** Reference to Annual Fee. Rule 10.
- Motion 6** Reference to Associate Cards and Pass Cards. Rules 16 and 20.
- Motion 7** Reference to dispense with a further representation of the Executive. Rule 17.
- Motion 8** Reference to the Executive expenses. Rule 17.
- Motion 9** Reference to Returning Officer to replace the General Secretary. Rules 17-20.
- Motion 10** Reference to the date to be extended for the Provisional Agenda to be sent to the clubs. Rule 20.

## Three days in Blackpool

This year's annual conference at Blackpool will once again feature three days of events beginning on Thursday, April 3 with the opening heat of this year's CIU National Quiz at Stanley Road WMC (see Page 13) and culminating with the Annual Meeting at the Winter Gardens on Saturday, April 5. Year's final agenda is on this page.

From 1pm to 4.30 on the afternoon of Friday, April 4 Conference delegates will again be welcomed by our exhibitors at this year's CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition to be held in the Paradise Room at Blackpool Pleasure Beach. Everyone will be given three beer tokens from Heineken UK, the main supporters of this 23rd CIU exhibition and one for a pint of real ale from CAMRA. As last year products from Heineken will be spread around the room, with Bulmers cider on offer at the CIU Insurance Services stand while Dransfields will be offering John Smith's bitter.

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- Year founded: \_\_\_\_\_
- Club Turnover (if known / approximate) \_\_\_\_\_

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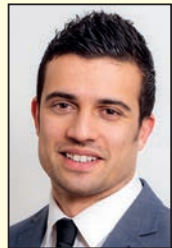
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By Dale Phillips  
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# President makes Smart move to cut energy bills



Union President George Dawson outside Arden Road Social Club where he is Club Secretary. As its sign says the club is also the home of The Doghouse live music venue.



Look carefully and you can see one of Smart Energy's low watt heating panels in the club's lounge.

National President George Dawson's club has become the latest to slash their heating bills with the help of National Account supplier Smart Energy.

The President asked Smart Energy to install their low watt heating panels at Arden Road WMC in Halifax, where he is Club Secretary, after reading in *Club Journal* how they had reduced clubs' winter fuel costs by up to 75 per cent – and he is delighted with the results.

"We Yorkshire folk love to save money so it made sense to ask Smart Energy to install their low watt heating panels into our club rooms. We can now heat them as and when we want them to be warm, the rooms heat in minutes, not hours, like they did with our old gas boiler and – most importantly – our members are warm at just a fraction of the cost, so everybody is happy."

As West Yorkshire Branch Secretary George has already recommended Smart Energy to all the clubs in the Branch but he thinks clubs all over the country should be following his lead.

"Saving money and going green should now be high on the agenda for all club Committees and Secretaries. Many clubs are struggling to survive and fuel bills are a large expenditure throughout the year."

Elsewhere Bell Green WMC in Coventry have just gone greener and have already saved £800 in eight weeks by installing Smart Energy's FREE Air cellar system.



President Alan Thewlis (pictured left) said: "We asked Smart Energy to have a look at our existing cellar cooler running costs as we were having to operate our system 24/7 in order to keep our beer at a constant temperature and it was costing us a lot of money on our electric over a yearly period.

"After hearing that the FREE Air cellar system could dramatically reduce our bills by 55% we jumped at the chance of having it installed and our club hasn't looked back since. We have been able to save £813.75 off

our electric bill in just eight weeks.

"I would strongly recommend this system to any clubs that are serious about reducing their bills or want to save money to re-invest back into their clubs. Not only does the system guarantee to work but it can be purchased without increasing the club's overheads and without changing your existing cellar cooler – it's a winner all round!"

Smart Energy Director Phil Towndrow said: "Every club needs to be aware of their overheads and with many clubs the energy bill is their second largest spend next to staff. So reducing their energy costs by 50 to 75% overall can be the difference in survival or not.

"Many CIU clubs are now reaping the savings as Committees realise that cooling their beer throughout the year no longer has to be a costly process – as these recent clubs have just found out: Leamington Liberal Club, Bilston & District Social, King St Progressive Club, Rushall Labour Club, Osborne WMC, Darlington East End Club, Ferryhill and Dist WMC, Walkley WMC & Institute

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You have to speculate to accumulate and that's what they've done at this club, which sits at the heart of its community on the edge of Doncaster.

The club recently spent £200,000 to make its concert room one of the smartest in the area and it's paid off with the club's Saturday night concerts being packed out and a waiting list for functions on Friday nights.

With several nearby pubs and clubs going under recently the club has emerged as the focal point in this former pit village.

"It's been very successful," said Club Secretary Alan "Taff" Jones. "On a Saturday night you can't get a seat in here after eight o'clock."

Back in 2007 the Committee anticipated the smoking ban by banning smoking in the concert room – though it was still allowed in the bar. They reasoned that this would mean the décor in the concert room would last longer and they could spend more money bringing it up to a high standard. It now looks magnificent with the piece de resistance being the mirror behind the bar, which includes a crown and the club's name etched into it – so much so that it's now also a popular venue for weddings. Says Treasurer Geoff Smith, who makes up the other half of the "Smith and Jones" management team: "Members pay £100 deposit to hire the room. Then if there's no damage we give them £50 back."

"We started the smoking ban in here. We must have been one of the first clubs to have a non-smoking concert room. We allowed people to smoke in the bar but not in the concert room and the room has seen the benefit."

The full ban meant the club had to cater for smokers outside but fortunately there is a beer garden at the front of the club. It proved particularly popular during last year's hot summer and also made it easier for families with children, which the club are always keen to encourage as younger members are always needed.

The club are pretty keen to hold on to their older members as well and members raised £1,500 for a defibrillator for a club. Twelve members of the Committee and staff have also been trained in how to use the machines, which give the heart an electric shock to restart it. One recently did just that at a club in Bolton saving the life of an 86-year-old



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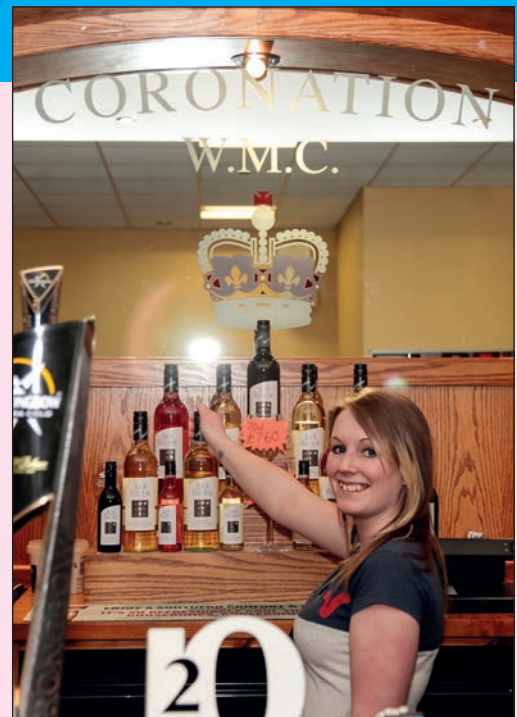
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# 'S CROWNING GLORY



Members of the Committee pictured in the concert room with Doncaster Branch Secretary Dave Gravel (centre) are: Geoff Smith (Treasurer); Steve Hardy (President); Alan Jones (Secretary); Derek Rowe; Brian Hayes; Alan Bull; Mick Hull and Robert Ainsworth.



Barmaid Chloe Varley in front of the concert room mirror. Below: members watch a race in the bar.



snooker player in the process. Charity efforts in the past have also raised money for Help for Heroes, Marie Curie, local cancer charity Firefly and the Air Ambulance.

Because success breeds success the club have been able to hold down their prices and a pint still only costs £2.20. One consequence has been that the club has benefited from the opening of the nearby Robin Hood Airport. Explains Alan: "People like a drink before they fly but the prices are quite high there so people check in at the airport then come here for a drink.

"We had one party whose flight was delayed by fog so they were well away by the time the flight took off."

For the same reason the club also gets a lot of people coming in before race meetings nearby and Doncaster Rovers home matches. Those that don't go can use the services of the bookmaker's who rent space from the club. "It's the perfect arrangement," says Alan.

"We can't lose."

Along with the Saturday evening concerts televised sport is a big draw, particularly on Sunday afternoons. With no Premier League teams in this part of Yorkshire there is a wide spread of teams supported with Manchester United v Liverpool probably being the busiest fixture. This is reflected in the various pictures and mirrors arranged around the bar though there is one section for Doncaster Rovers.

"It means there's always a lively atmosphere and plenty of banter," says Alan. "But we never have any trouble."

One framed newspaper cutting celebrates the early career of Sheffield Wednesday footballer Peter Swan, who was born in Armthorpe and made 19 successive appearances for England before being caught up in a betting scandal that probably cost him a place in the team that won the 1966 World Cup.

The club itself was founded in 1953, a year famous not just for the Stanley Matthews Cup Final but also for the Queen's Coronation year. Back then it was just a wooden shed in a farmer's field. But how far it's come.

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# A new era for Saltburn

Saltburn House, the Union's holiday and convalescent centre on the north Yorkshire coast has reopened after being bought by one of our most successful clubs, Hayes WMC in West London.

The move was sealed when Union President George Dawson and Vice-president John Tobin visited Saltburn and handed over the keys to Hayes Club President Jim Walker and Vice-President Ron Sturgess.

Saltburn House is now an extension of Hayes Club, which has spent £50,000 on alterations to the centre, creating a beer cellar and a bigger bar, which has now been opened up to non-residents and will be offering real ale as well as live entertainment at weekends.

Saltburn lost its last CIU club this year and more than 700 people in the town have already become new members of Hayes WMC.

"We've reopened it as a club so club members in the town can use it," said Club Secretary Bob Daybell. "Our Rules allow us to offer temporary membership to anyone who lives more than 25 miles from Hayes so anyone who is staying can become a temporary member." The club's commitment meant that they started work at Saltburn before Christmas even though contracts



Assistant manager Joanna Valentine behind the new bar.

weren't formally exchanged until last month. "We're also keen that we employ people who live in the town and that the people of Saltburn see it as part of their town." Former Manager Maxine Howes has returned as Manager as has award-winning gardener Ian Harrison and Hayes hope to make 17 staff

jobs permanent.

Hayes have reinstated Saltburn's old drawing room, and kept its games room and classroom facilities. It hopes that the Union's Education Schools will return and that its conference facilities will attract outside bodies. It will also be able to offer convalescence when rooms are available.

## Group Account

The club have been helped in their refurbishment work by Joe Beard, their accounts manager who even travelled up from London to help out. Because they have two outlets Heineken now class them as a group account.

Some aspects of the old-style Saltburn House remain. The new team organised Christmas and New Year parties, and for the first time will be organising a St George's Day party. "We're happy to try anything, it's just a question of seeing what works and what doesn't," said Bob.

Christmas dinner at £30 a head also proved popular in their new carvery, which is successfully running Sunday lunches. The carvery includes a children's menu and well behaved children will be welcome as, says Bob: "Every child is a CIU member of the future."

Hayes, who are regular advertisers in *Club Journal* and have been our featured Club of the Month, have spent £1.75m on their London premises creating what many including their local Branch Secretary John Tobin has described as the finest club in the Union.



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# Quiz deadline extended



## CIU NATIONAL QUIZ

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The deadline for entries for this year's CIU National Quiz has been extended to Monday, April 21. The quiz offers a fun night out with a variety of prizes to be won by players at all levels including the audience. This year, for the first time, each heat will have an extra £40 prize for the club that provides the highest-scoring newcomers to the quiz. This prize is available to any club that didn't enter a team last year - or whose team is made up completely of players who did not compete last year.

Gaming machine and quiz machine suppliers Dransfields are once again sponsoring the competition, which has a top prize of £160 in each of the regional finals and a £500 first prize in the national final. Cash prizes will be won by the top three teams while those outside the

top three can also win the Sport and TV & Film rounds - and there is also a prize given to the team finishing one off bottom place. Thanks to co-sponsors The Co-operative Bank there will also be bottles of spirits given to team members and the audience as spot prizes for the closest guesses to such questions as "how many days does it take a snail to travel a mile at top speed?" The top three scoring teams from each regional heat will qualify for the national final at Alvaston & Crewton Social Club in Derby on Sunday, August 31. As well as Blackpool heats already arranged are the Midlands regional final at Ansty Club & Institute near Coventry at 1pm on Sunday, April 27; the South Wales and West of England final at Bettws Social Club at 8pm on Monday, April 28; and the South East England final at Epsom Common WMC in Surrey on Tuesday, June 3. Other heats are to be arranged in Wakefield and Newcastle upon Tyne.

## Clubman Clive in Mastermind final

Teesside clubman Clive Dunning is in the running to win TV's hardest quiz.

Clive (right), a member of Stockton Malleable Club, has braved the famous black chair and reached the final of Mastermind after answering questions on Blackadder and John Lennon. The final is due to be broadcast on Good Friday, April 18, when the former lecturer's specialist round will be on the poet Philip Larkin.

"I entered Mastermind because I was made redundant last year so I had time on my hands and it gave me something to focus on. After the final I'm hoping to return to work as a private tutor." Clive plays in a regular quiz at the club and has captained them in the CIU National Quiz with mixed results, winning a prize in the 2012 national final but failing to qualify last year.

"We really enjoy the CIU Quiz and because it is more entertainment-based anyone can beat anyone, even Mastermind champions."

- Not a lot of people know that the format of Mastermind was devised by producer Bill Wright, a former RAF gunner, who used his experience of being interrogated as a prisoner of war in Germany during the Second World War.



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 14 days' notice in writing to the Secretary  
 Steve Graydon. Tel: Club (01422) 373 023.  
[www.ellandwmc.web.com](http://www.ellandwmc.web.com)  
 Telephone pre-bookings to be confirmed in writing to the Secretary.

### SWARCLIFFE WORKING MEN'S CLUB

Swarcliffe Avenue, Leeds LS14 5DE  
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 Contact: Glen Doyle (Secretary)  
**(0113) 2959100**

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### Nottingham Oddfellows Club

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 TELEPHONE: (0116) 262 0181  
 262 5404 (Evenings) - CIU Affiliated  
 ★ City Centre Club  
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# CLUB OUTINGS . . . CLUB OUTINGS

## THE HAMMERSMITH CLUB

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## Hayes WMC

Pump Lane, Hayes, Middlesex UB3 3NB.  
Telephone: (020) 8573 1721  
e-mail: [bobdaybell@aol.com](mailto:bobdaybell@aol.com)

Why not visit the flagship of clubs in the South? Ascot, Kempton Park & Sandown racecourses all nearby. Live bands every Friday and Saturday night. Late night cabaret last Saturday of every month, at least 3 acts, charge for entry, late bar. Catering available weekends, orders taken in advance to your requirements. Visit our website: [www.hayesworkingmensclub.com](http://www.hayesworkingmensclub.com) for our full entertainment programme. Coaches welcome by prior arrangement with the secretary.

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Snacks can be arranged  
**0161 973 4920**

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### St James Working Mens Club

Weedon Road, St James, Northampton.  
A warm welcome awaits all club members. Lounge, Games Room and large Concert Room. Parties welcome, catering if required by prior arrangement. 5 minutes M1, Junction 15A.  
Please contact Secretary Mrs P. Webster.  
Tel: (01604) 456 602 [www.stjameswmc.co.uk](http://www.stjameswmc.co.uk)

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### CARCROFT VILLAGE WMC

Chestnut Avenue Carcroft, Doncaster DN6 8AG  
Extends a warm welcome to all CIU affiliated members. Coach Parties welcomed by prior arrangement. 1 mile from A1 and close to M1, M18 and M62. Top class entertainment every weekend. Handy for Doncaster Races and trips returning from North or South coastal routes. Big screen TVs and live football. All enquiries to Jim Hutchinson, Secretary on (01302) 725497; email [secretary@carcroftvillagewmc.com](mailto:secretary@carcroftvillagewmc.com), website [www.carcroftvillagewmc.com](http://www.carcroftvillagewmc.com)

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## SURREY

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Located 5 minutes from J13 M25, handy for Windsor Castle and races, Kempton, Ascot, Epsom and Sandown. 5 mins from Egham Station on the Waterloo to Reading line. Three real ale and cider festivals a year. [www.eusc.co.uk](http://www.eusc.co.uk)  
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A warm welcome is extended to all associate members.

### Walton Working Men's Club

21A Church Street, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey KT12 2QP.  
Extends a warm welcome to Associate Members. Near M25/M3, Sandown and Kempton Racecourses, Hampton Court, Wentworth, Twickenham Rugby and Thorpe Park. Ideal fishing - River Thames. Dancing to live music Saturdays/Sundays. Coaches. In writing to the Secretary.  
**Telephone: (01932) 220 361.**

## THAMES VALLEY

### Banbury Trades & Labour Club

32 West Bar Street, Banbury, Oxon OX16 9RR.  
Tel: (01295) 215 7119 (H); (01295) 254 168 (Club).  
A warm welcome is extended to all Associates. Coach parties welcome with 14 days prior notice to Secretary Joan Conley. Live entertainment on Saturday night. Food available. Please contact Secretary with your booking.

## WALES

### CARDIFF WEST END SOCIAL CLUB

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Coach parties welcome with advance notice.  
Ring (01792) 771580

### Rogerstone and Bassaleg Social Club

1 Tregwilym Road, Rogerstone, Newport NP10 9DW.  
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**Telephone: (01633) 893 508.**

## WARWICKSHIRE & COVENTRY

### BEDWORTH EX-SERVICEMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB & INSTITUTE

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## Willenhall Social Club

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No Children Allowed.  
Coach parties apply to Secretary.

### HEN LANE SOCIAL CLUB

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5 minutes from M6 Junction 3, 10 minutes' walk from Ricoh Arena, minibus from club on match days. Excellent function room and facilities. Hot and cold snacks available at all times. Prior notice required for coach parties and catering (menu sent on request).  
Please contact the Secretary.  
Tel: (024) 7672 4830; Office: (024) 7672 4832.

## WEST COUNTRY

### THE ANZAC CLUB

Anzac Street, Dartmouth, Devon TQ6 9DJ (01803) 832661  
A warm and friendly welcome awaits all affiliated members and guests.  
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22 Wimborne Road, Poole, Dorset  
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Contact Secretary for details.

### WESTON-SUPER-MARE WMC

Orchard Street, Weston-super-Mare.  
**Telephone: (01934) 418 202**  
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Live entertainment every Saturday and Sunday evening, Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon  
Bingo (Friday, Saturday and Sunday). Buffets arranged.  
Large downstairs concert room seating 250. Coach parties welcome including a Saturday.  
Please contact the Secretary giving prior notice of visit. Open all day.

### WEYMOUTH WMC

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To advertise contact  
**Chris Brewis**  
on (0191) 265 0040  
or email: [cj@powdene.com](mailto:cj@powdene.com)

# CLUB OUTINGS

## Yardley Wood Social Club

118 School Road, Yardley Wood, Birmingham B14 4JR.  
Club Tel: (0121) 474 2026 Sec: (0121) 474 3725  
Visit our brand new website:  
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Two large TV screens, 6 snooker tables, bingo and weekly entertainment, bowling green. Function rooms available for hire and catering. Large car park at rear of the club. Associate members welcome.

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Food can also be arranged.  
Contact Secretary Alan Campbell on (07986) 706354 or [blakelawsc@googlemail.com](mailto:blakelawsc@googlemail.com)

### CENTRAL WMC

7 Beaumont Street, Darlington  
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Please give prior notice.  
Live entertainment and catering by private arrangement. Room available for birthdays, engagement parties, wakes and weddings.

### CHILTON & WINDLESTONE WMC

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10 Richard Street, Hetton-le-Hole DH5 9HN  
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### POPPLETON ROAD WMC

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## Branch Executive Awards

**31-year Award**  
Ken Tidbury, Northampton WMC, South East Midlands

## Centenary Award

Monks Road WMC, Doncaster  
Gawber Rd WMC, South Yorkshire  
Goldthorpe Reform WMC, South Yorkshire

## Club Awards

## Distinguished Service Award

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Frank Smith, Greenland Social Club, West Midlands  
Brian Stoddart, New Hirst & Dist Club, Northumberland  
Melvyn Porter, Doncaster Trades Union & Labour Club, Doncaster

## Certificate of Merit

James Cook, Bedworth Ex-Servicemen's Soc, Warwickshire  
Roy Mosey, Bedworth Ex-Servicemen's Soc, Warwickshire  
Walter Lavery, New Hirst & Dist Club, Northumberland  
Brian Warham, New Hirst & Dist Club, Northumberland  
Edward Whinfield, Shiremoor WMC, Northumberland  
May Forster, Shiremoor WMC, Northumberland  
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Alison Wright, Sibley & Dist Liberal Club, Leicestershire  
Darren Ellis, Stanley Empire WMC, Durham

# CLUB NOTICES

## Club Applying for Membership of the Union

Windle Labour Club  
Dentons Green Lane  
St. Helens  
WA10 2QE  
(Manchester Branch)

## Clubs Withdrawn

Holmeside Hall Labour Social Club (Durham Branch)  
Cowie Bowling Club (Scottish Branch)  
Wotton Hall Club (Western Counties Branch)  
Prestonpans RBL Social Club (Scottish Branch)

## Clubs Admitted into Membership of the Union (Probationary)

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Trebavah Road  
Constantine  
Falmouth  
Cornwall  
TR11 5AG  
(Western Counties Branch)  
Leisure Hour Working Men's Club  
6-12 Lomax Street  
Great Harwood  
Blackburn  
BB6 7DJ

## Expulsions

Mr Lee Wilson, York Burton Lane Club  
Mr Tony Parry, (P9) St James WMC, Northampton



George Stocker, the Treasurer of Maltravers Social Club in Littlehampton, is pictured with Club Secretary Anne Shippam and South East Met Branch Vice-President Andy Way after receiving his 40-year Distinguished Service Award. George became a member of the West Sussex club in April 1972 and joined the Committee six months later. He was Vice-president for two years from 1992 until taking up the position of Treasurer and says he has thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it.



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### ACROSS

- 1 Rather skinny tent for a brave man! (6)
- 5 He was great, on screen. (6)
- 10 A valuer who tells you you are laudable? (9)
- 11 Shutup, it's not far! (5)
- 12 Astringent sort of pencil. (7)
- 13 Get smaller - with a centre breeze led about. (7)
- 14 With safety first and foremost, this baby gear's tetchy! (5)
- 16 Number one foe - a curvy opponent? (4-5)
- 18 Masses, common to the Greeks. (3,6)
- 20 Excruciating pain.... about to become fear. (5)

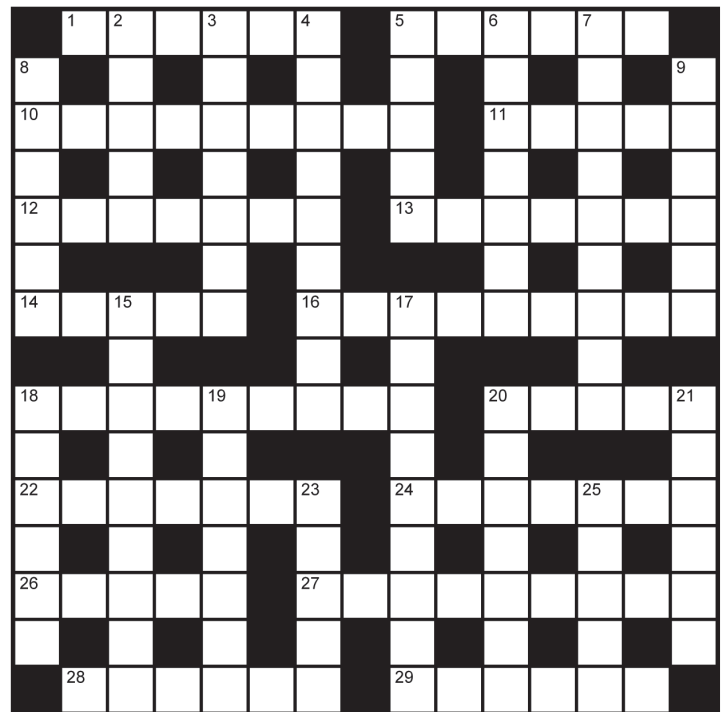
- 22 Last up, a sort of cooking tool.... (7)
- 24 Splendidly edited marmalade type. (4-3)
- 26 Middle of the road Liberal has covering reason. (5)
- 27 Move towards art, gave it mystery. (9)
- 28 Pearl maker in single storey building. (6)
- 29 Top right entrance can prove wrong. (6)

### DOWN

- 2 Suggest you trim plywood a bit. (5)
- 3 Rich Law they must repeal. (7)
- 4 Lush claim to being vaudeville. (5-4)
- 5 Mauled by bull as lights change. (5)
- 6 Keen to touch lattice structure. (7)
- 7 One of Blackfly's favourite '5-a-day'? (5,4)

- 8 Wine the nomads make. (6)
- 9 Saint leaves sedimentary concoction to cure. (6)
- 15 Firstly, it's my rail rip-off.... (9)
- 17 Fiance hit, unluckily for tribal leader. (9)
- 18 Malthus, sartorially dressed as an old horseman. (6)
- 19 Sort of clout - is it for the eye, doctor? (7)
- 20 Quiet finale waiting to be sorted. (7)
- 21 Run out of truculent sorts of meat slice. (6)
- 23 Borer said to bode... (5)
- 25 Trade - that floats? (5)

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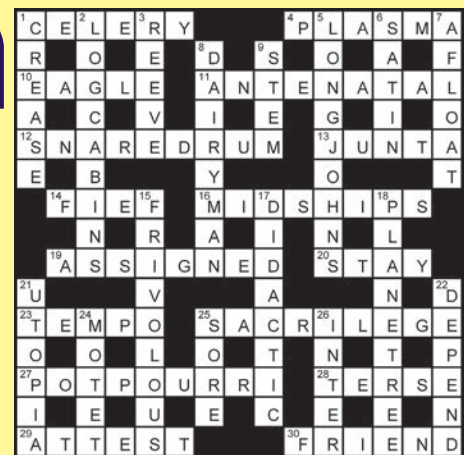
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## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

**Congratulations to the five winners of our £10 Prize Crossword for February:**

- Robert Maughan of Ferryhill WMC, Co. Durham;  
Derek McDonnell of Old Oscott WMC, Birmingham;  
Paul Gibbs of Sundridge Park WMC, Kent;  
Shirley Williams of Risca WMC, Newport; and  
George Woodhall of Barrow WMC, South Yorkshire



# OBITUARIES

## LORD BILSTON CLUBMAN AND PARLIAMENTARIAN

The Union is sad to hear of the death at 71 of a true friend, Lord Bilston, the Secretary of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Non-profit Making Clubs.

Hundreds of people packed the church and mourners lined the streets of Wolverhampton to pay tribute to Lord Bilston, who as Dennis Turner, was one of the city's MPs from 1987 to 2005 before joining the Lords. Lord Bilston was born in Bradley in the Bilston ward of Wolverhampton and lived there his entire life. He worked as a market trader and steelworker, and served as Secretary of a local club, Springvale Social Club. One of the youngest-ever councillors on Wolverhampton Council he also served on the West Midlands County Council before becoming MP for Wolverhampton South West in 1987.

While an MP he campaigned on issues of fair trade and education and famously introduced a Private Member's Bill seeking to make clear the correct amount of froth at the top of a pint of

beer. He joined the All-Party Group in 1988 and became Acting Treasurer in 1992, Vice-Chairman in 1993 then Joint Chairman in 2001 when he took over from Lawrence Cunliffe. In 2004 he became the Group's Secretary when Lord Brooks of Tremorfa retired after serving as Secretary for 21 years since its formation in 1983.

After retiring from the Commons in 2005 he took the title of Lord Bilston and continued to serve clubs with the All-Party Group. Union President George Dawson said: "He will be very greatly

missed. He was a good friend of the Union and his death is a sad loss to us all."

Lord Bilston served as Clare Short's parliamentary aide until she resigned her Cabinet post in protest over the Iraq war. At his funeral she said: "I knew him for 40 years and all the stories everyone has told of his incredible friendliness, they are all true. "Inside that were steely principles but he was such a loveable person and there aren't many like him."

Former Labour Leader Neil Kinnock described his Black Country accent as being like collapsing bricks and said: "His whole life was about helping people.

"He brought the very best mix of abilities that anyone would want from a democratic representative."

Lord Bilston married his wife Pat in 1976 and leaves a son, a daughter and a granddaughter.



Lord Bilston addressing the Parliamentary reception to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Union.



St Leonard's Church in Bilston was packed for Lord Bilston's funeral.

Picture Wolverhampton Express & Star

## Welsh in four finals

Our Team Pool Final will be between Bargoed Labour Club from South Wales and Upperby Men's Club in Carlisle.

Both semi-finals were held on March 1.

Bargoed beat the Hammersmith Club from West London 5-0 at Swindon High Street Club and Upperby beat Bannockburn Miners Club, Stirling, 5-2 at Blyth Sports & Social Club in Northumberland.

The Miners Club had earlier lost another semi-final when their darts team were pipped by 4-3 to Craghead Social Club from County Durham. The match was played on February 22 at Upperby Men's Club and means Craghead will meet Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club in the final.

Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club are also in our Team Snooker final after a narrow 4-3 win over Abertyswg WMC at Penygraig Labour & Progressive Club on March 8. The Union representative was Monmouthshire Branch Secretary Jim Harrison.

They will also have a player in our Individual Snooker final as team mates D Jones and R Richards meet at the club in a semi-final at the club on May 24. The other semi-final will be held on 17 May at Lofthouse Gate WMC, Wakefield between Gary Wilson from Wallsend RAOB Club on Tyneside and Daniel Ward from Sedgley Ex-servicemen's Club in the West Midlands.

**SPORTS SHORTS**



Acting Durham Branch Secretary George Smith presented the Jonathan Ward Darts trophy to Paul Clark, the captain of winners Easington Colliery Club after they beat defending champions Crawcrook Social Club in the final at North Biddick Social Club.

Pictured with them (left to right) are: team mates Dave Prins, Gerry Hall, Craig Anderson and Ian Adamson, and Durham Branch Executive member Brian Gardner.

The format was a team game up to 1001, followed by four best of five leg singles matches up to 501.

# Race Discounts

(All offers Tattersalls unless stated otherwise)

HAYDOCK: .....	Saturday 26th April.....	£11 (normally £20)
LEICESTER: .....	Saturday 26th April	£9 (normally £16)
RIPON:.....	Saturday 26th April.....	£12 (normally £16)
NEWCASTLE:.....	Tuesday 29th April (eve)	£13 including free drink (normally £19.90)
FFOS LAS:.....	Thursday 1st May (eve).....	£10 (normally £16)
GOODWOOD:.....	Saturday 3rd May.....	£19 (normally £24)
NEWMARKET:.....	QIPCO 2000 Guineas Day	Saturday 3rd May £17 (normally £23)
THIRSK:.....	Saturday 3rd May.....	£10 (normally £16)
UTTOXETER:.....	Saturday 3rd May.....	£10 (normally £20)
BATH:.....	Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May.....£10 (normally £19)
FFOS LAS:.....	Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May.....£10 (normally £16)
HAYDOCK: .....	Saturday, 10th May .....	£12 (normally £22)
THIRSK:.....	Saturday 10th May (eve).....	£10 (normally £14)
FFOS LAS:.....	Tuesday 13th May (eve) .....	£10 (normally £16)
YORK: .....	Dante Festival	Wednesday 14th May.....£14 (normally £18)
CHEPSTOW: .....	Wednesday 14th May (eve).....	£10 (normally £15)
NEWBURY:.....	Saturday 17th May .....	£16 (normally £20)
THIRSK:.....	Irish Day	Saturday 17th May .....
BEVERLEY:.....	Saturday 24th May .....	£11 (normally £13)
GOODWOOD:.....	Saturday 24th May .....	£19 (normally £24)
HAYDOCK: .....	Saturday 24th May .....	£12 (normally £22)
UTTOXETER:.....	Sunday 25th May .....	£10 (normally £20)
LEICESTER: .....	Bank Holiday	Monday 26th May..... £9 (normally £16)
REDCAR: .....	Zetland Gold Cup Bank Holiday	Monday 26th May.....£10 (normally £15)
HAYDOCK: .....	Friday 30th May (eve).....	£11 (normally £20)
HAYDOCK: .....	Saturday 31st May .....	£11 (normally £20)
YORK: .....	Saturday 31st May .....	£17 (normally £21)
FFOS LAS:.....	Thursday 5th June (eve) .....	£10 (normally £16)
BATH:.....	Real Ale Festival	Friday 6th June (eve).....£10 (normally £19)
NEWCASTLE:.....	Saturday 7th June (eve)	£13 including free drink (normally £20.90)
GOODWOOD:.....	Sunday 8th June.....	£13 (normally £18)
HAYDOCK: .....	Thursday 12th June (eve).....	£7.50 (normally £13)

# CIU RACING CLUB

THE CIU Racing Club uses the bulk buying power of our 2,000 clubs to obtain special discounts from racecourses. You can make a booking by filling in the form on this page along with a cheque made out to the appropriate racecourse.

To obtain the discount we send all the forms to the racecourse together as one block booking and they will post the tickets on the Monday of the week leading up to the meeting. If you have not received an acknowledgment letter or if tickets have not arrived after the post is delivered three days before the meeting ring **Jean Garrett on (0191) 2650040**. Tickets are sent to the club - otherwise anyone could buy them - and are usually not refundable.

We need to receive your booking **THREE WEEKS** before the meeting otherwise we cannot guarantee you will receive the discount because late bookings do not save the courses any work.

You do not need to register your club as a member of the CIU Racing Club to make a booking but can be registered when you book. Members of the Racing Club receive their own free copy of *Club Journal* addressed to the race trips organiser as well as regular updates and the full list of offers. Remember also that even if a meeting is not listed here you can usually obtain a party discount direct from the course.

## CIU Racing Club Booking Form

Number of tickets required (minimum 6) \_\_\_\_\_ Price per ticket £ \_\_\_\_\_

Racecourse \_\_\_\_\_ Date of meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque enclosed for £ \_\_\_\_\_

(Made payable to racecourse involved).

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Post code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please send this booking form plus cheque (made payable to the appropriate racecourse) at least three weeks prior to meeting to: Jean Garrett, Club Journal, Unit 17, St. Peter's Wharf, Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 1TZ.**

**NEWCASTLE RACING & EVENTS**

[www.newcastle-racecourse.co.uk](http://www.newcastle-racecourse.co.uk) | 0191 236 2020 | [info@newcastle-racecourse.co.uk](mailto:info@newcastle-racecourse.co.uk)

\*Terms & conditions apply. £14 for Grandstand & Paddock admission ticket when booked in advance online only, standard price £16. Price per person and includes VAT. For full terms and conditions, race times and details of the event please visit our website. Booking restrictions and fees may apply. Newcastle Racecourse encourages responsible gambling. [www.gambleaware.co.uk](http://www.gambleaware.co.uk) Please drink responsibly. [www.drinkaware.co.uk](http://www.drinkaware.co.uk)

## Racecourse honours Roy's long service



Roy receives his Long Service Award and sublimated copy from Dave Gravel. Below: Dave Gravel presents Wayne Seymour with his Certificate Of Merit and sublimated copy.



Racing fan Roy Lee's 25 years of service to his club have been marked in style with a special surprise at the course where he works.

The Intake Social Club arranged with Doncaster Racecourse Managing Director Mark Spincer to include a page on Roy in the racecard for the meeting on March 1. They also showed his picture on a giant screen at the course and presented him with a photograph of jockey William Buick on St Leger winner Arctic Cosmos signed "from William Buick to Roy" as well as the jockey's signed goggles.

Roy has been Games Secretary for 20 years and never ceases to amaze members with his racing knowledge that extends even as far as the colours worn by famous horses. He's nicknamed Bula after his favourite horse, which won its first 16 races including two Champion Hurdles in the 1970s, and was also the first horse on which he bet a whole ten shillings.

Earlier the club had arranged a surprise presentation for Roy and his brother-in-law Wayne Seymour on the Sunday morning after the club's AGM. Branch Secretary Dave Gravel and Branch Executive member Alan Jones visited the club and presented Roy with his Long Service Award and Wayne with his 10-year Certificate of Merit. They each received a gold sublimated copy of their certificate and engraved tankards from the club's brewery Samuel Smith's, while Wayne's wife, Chris, received a bouquet of flowers for supporting her husband.



Pictured (left to right) with Roy are his brother-in-law Club Treasurer Graham Robson, and Graham's brother and sister-in-law Wayne and Chris Seymour.

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**25 YEARS**

*Congratulations Roy*

Roy Lee has just reached a milestone by completing 25 years service on the Management Committee of Intake Social Club, known locally as 'The Friendly Family Club'.

Roy received a Long Service Award certificate along with a specially made gold copy and a number of gifts from the Brewery, Sam Smith's and Doncaster Racecourse, where he works. Many thanks from Intake Social Club, your support is invaluable.

A legend for his knowledge of horse racing, at times Roy astounds people when commenting "I know their colours, they were worn by so and so when he won the Arkle in 1983."

Thus over the years Roy's nickname has become 'Bula', after his favourite racehorse.

"Roy is the perfect committee man and games secretary. He puts a lot of thought into whatever he is doing and will only make a comment when he has thoroughly thought it out!"  
**TOM FORESTER**  
CLUB SECRETARY

"Roy is one of the most popular members of the Committee, mainly because of the friendly, laid back way he performs his duties."  
**GRAHAM ROBSON**  
CLUB TREASURER

[www.doncaster-racecourse.co.uk](http://www.doncaster-racecourse.co.uk)

## Cribbage's queen of clubs

Cribbage player Sara-Jane Norman is pictured with South East Midlands Branch President Barry Slasberg after leading a team of seven men to victory in the Branch's team knock-out contest.

The eight-strong team from Higham Ferrers WMC included former National President Derek Dormer OBE, who will be 88 next month and still enjoys playing pool, dominoes and cribbage at the club

most days. "It's unusual to have a woman captaining a team of men but Sara-Jane is a very good player and a very good organiser, who keeps us all right," he said.

Derek, who plans to attend his 65th Annual Conference this month, also represents the club at dominoes and has reached the National semi-finals of our straight dominoes pairs for the last two years.