

# Club Journal

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The magazine for all CIU members

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## DON'T RISK LOSING THE USE OF YOUR MACHINES

Clubs are being warned that they must register their fruit machines with the tax authorities by the end of this month or risk not being able to use them.

Machine Games Duty (MGD) replaces Amusement Machine Licence Duty on 1st February 2013. Clubs with gaming or skill machines liable to MGD must register with the tax authorities by December 31.

An explanatory Registration Notice from Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs (HMRC) has been distributed to all Union clubs from Head Office. By law a club operating liable machines at 31st December 2012 and continuing to do so at 1st February 2013 must apply for registration by 31st December 2012.

Refer to the Registration Notice to see how to register online or by post on form MGD1. The online system is preferable and provides greater certainty. Do not delay, register now and avoid the risk.

Chris Haley, Managing Director of the Union's recommended supplier Dransfields, is recommending Club Secretaries to register now before the Christmas rush. Dransfields give clubs a Nudge – Pages 8,9



### Make a date

The Union's new 2013 diaries are now on sale at Branches across the country.

There are two different diaries, a desk diary and the smaller pocket diary. Both are filled with useful information on club management and a host of other matters.



Members of Farsley WMC who judged the best turned out horse contest congratulate the winning stable girl.

### A raceday record

The Union's National Charity Raceday at Wetherby has broken a new record in this its 20th year.

A total of 1,584 CIU Racing Club members – including an amazing 237 from Farsley WMC in Leeds – attended this year's Raceday on November 17, meaning that Racecourse Chief Executive Jonjo Sanderson was able to hand over a cheque for £3,168 for Saltburn House, the Union's Holiday and Convalescent Centre on the north Yorkshire coast.

The Union is also grateful to our recommended gaming machine suppliers Dransfields, who sponsored a race, and to John Smith's, who provided 50p-off beer tokens to Racing Club members. **Wetherby round-up – Page 13**

### Beer rally

Club members are being urged to join the Save your Pint campaign's rally of Parliament on December 12.

The campaign forced a debate in the House of Commons after more than 100,000 signed the online petition on the beer escalator. Now beer drinkers will have the chance to put their views directly to their MP. **Letters – Page 7**

### INSIDE...

Some of the original comics from the 70s TV show "The Comedians" have recorded a new DVD – and you can win a copy for Christmas by sending us your best joke. **Full story – Page 12**

A CIU club in North Yorkshire has won the award for the most-improved club at this year's Club Awards in Manchester. **Full story – Page 4**

Club Secretary Tom Ward has captained his club snooker team to an unlikely cup win at the age of 90. **Full story – Page 20**

# Proud and Honoured



Scottish Branch Executive member Jim Caughey is pictured receiving his Gold Medal and Diploma for 21 years' service to the Branch. Pictured (back row, left to right) are: Branch Executive members Tom Williams, Drew Barnes and Vice-President Ian Mackay. Front row: Branch Secretary Jim Kennedy, Jim Caughey and President Eddie O'Connor.



Roger Oake, the National Executive member for Kent, visited Dartford Social Club and presented a Long Service Award to Entertainments Officer Brian Mitchell (left), and a Distinguished Service Award to Club President Jim Gold.



Wallsend Coronation Club Assistant Secretary John Toman received his Long Service Award on the same night that the club celebrated its centenary. Pictured (back row, left to right) are Northumberland Branch Executive member Rob Yeats, Club Secretary Norman Seaman, Vice-chairman Bob Knowles and Chairman Alan Mackinnon. Front row: National Executive member Sid Hicks, Branch Secretary Dave Richardson, John Toman and Branch President Alan Hardy.

## HAYES WORKING MEN'S CLUB LATE NIGHT CABARET

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Two presentations of Certificates of Merit were made at Rugeley Progressive Club in Staffordshire. Trustee Jim McKenry (top) and Committee member Pat Marshall are pictured receiving their awards from Club President Geoff Brown watched by Secretary Glynis Payne.

On a different evening Committee member John Mountford received his 10-year award.



# Skydiving MP drops in on The Workers' centenary

Local MP Stephen Lloyd unveiled a special plaque to mark the centenary of Eastbourne Working Men's Club. The club, known as the Workers, celebrated the milestone with a special open day which culminated with Mr Lloyd receiving life membership of the club and unveiling the centenary plaque. The MP talked about how he raised £1,500 with a parachute jump in October and how he was impressed with the club's own fundraising despite the difficult times.



Stephen Lloyd MP unveils the club's centenary plaque  
Below: A jet ski features on the club's float during this summer's Eastbourne Carnival.



Last year the club raised more than £3,000 for Children with Cancer and this year it has already raised £2,000 for the Pevensey cancer ward at the local hospital. A special centenary picture by the club's resident artist Beryl Gausden, which also celebrated the Olympics, was raffled on the evening and raised £230.

Visitors from Knaphill WMC in Surrey, Blackheath Newbridge WMC in Kent and Lancing RBL in West Sussex joined the centenary celebrations and the club, which advertises in our Club Outings section, has just welcomed a second Kent party, from Sidcup WMC. Another of Beryl's paintings, a harbour scene, raised £100 for Macmillan Nurses in a raffle before winner Barry Parks donated it to Sidcup.



Beryl (pictured) took up watercolour painting from scratch in 2005 six months after a tour guide in India told her she should be an artist. She now teaches a weekly class at the club and hopes to put some of her paintings on display this month.

Other regular activities include a monthly quiz – with a trophy for the top team at the end of



the year, and as well as having a football team in the East Sussex Football League the club also has sections covering darts and golf and a jet ski section. The jet ski section, which as far as we know, is the only one in the Union, had a recent setback when their hut was burned down by vandals but they hope to have it restored before next summer.



## 75 years of the builders' hut

A club started in a builders' hut celebrates its 75th anniversary this month with a party weekend for its 2,000 members. Cheam Social Club in Surrey will stage three days of entertainment from December 21, including a children's Christmas party and a performance on the piano from its longest serving member. The club premises began life in the 1920s as a builders' hut on what is now the Park Farm estate. When the estate was finished the hut, which by now had become a substantial building, was leased to the people of Cheam as a social club and it's never looked back.

### GUEST ALES

In 1993 the members purchased the freehold of the building. They also own a three-bedroom house next door to the club which is used as a residence for the Steward. The Committee upgraded the facilities in 1988 to include a games room, large dance hall and a kitchen. In 2007 a second facelift with the help of brewers Carlsberg UK created a new 21st century club (left) with leather chairs, small round tables, pastel colours and a dining area for 45 people. As well as inexpensive beers and spirits members choose a guest real ale each month. The membership now stands at 2,264 of which 381 are life members including the club's longest serving member Ray Mansell. Ray, who has been a member since 1948, still comes in every evening for a couple of pints, and will be playing the piano for members on December 23.



# Members' ideas turn club around

A club in Harrogate has been named as the most-improved club in the country – after its Committee asked the members what would make them come to the club more often.

Bilton WMC won the most improved section at the recent Club Awards in Manchester and Entertainment Secretary Mike Dinsdale received the award from sports presenter Chris Hollins.

"This has taken a lot of hard work," said Club Secretary John Wrightson. "But we are very proud to have turned the club round." The club was struggling and in danger of closing when the Committee decided action was required. Members were given a questionnaire and asked what would make them visit the club more often – something suggested in a recent issue of *Club Journal*. "We got a few ideas from that," said John "But what really made a difference was when I called an extraordinary general meeting. I think people thought we were about to close because 400 people attended the meeting.

"I told them we would end up closing unless we either put a pound on a pint or everybody made an effort and visited the club just once a week."

## New NEC member



Durham Branch Executive member David Walton has been co-opted on to the NEC to fill the vacancy left by Brian Young. David (left) is Vice-President of Hamsterley & District Social Club where he has been a member for 32 years. He has been on the Committee in total for 14 years. Aged 50, David is married with twin teenage daughters. He assists his wife in their catering business, plays darts and dominoes, and has recently taken up dance lessons.



The club now runs a selection of community-based activities including judo and self-defence courses, dance classes (in salsa and bachatango (a combination of the Argentinian tango and the bachata from the Dominican Republic) and children's discos. It was also due to host the Harrogate Tweet Up late last month where Twitter users have the chance to meet their followers. The result is that a £5,000 loss has been turned into a £17,000 surplus and the Committee now plan to host live music events featuring both local bands and established acts as well as a Foster's comedy evening. The club (pictured above) has also been helped by its location next to a busy set of traffic lights on Skipton Road, one of the town's busiest roads, and has erected a large movable sign board, which is regularly updated with news of upcoming events. A full round-up of the presentations at the Club Awards will feature in next month's issue.

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# CLUB'S LEADING BY EXAMPLE



**CHEERS:** (L-R): Secretary Brian Tunaley, Heineken Regional Manager Daniel Wood and Assistant Secretary Howard Sharpe

With more than 850 members of all ages, Thornhill Briggs WMC in Brighouse is a thriving club with a waiting list to join.

Its Secretary and former President Brian Tunaley puts the club's popularity and success down to a dedicated Committee, wide variety of regular activities and promotions coupled with support from their chosen supplier, Heineken.

"In order to keep members of all ages entertained and using the club on a regular basis, we

ensure there is something for everyone happening nearly every day of the week.

"We have live music and comedians weekly, bingo four times a week, poker three times a week and our younger members play in one of our nine snooker teams while the more mature compete at dominoes and cards in the Brighouse Games league.

"Our concert room holds 100 people and this is regularly let out for members' private parties and other functions including family discos. We also have large screen TVs for those



**TO THE FUTURE:** The Committee and members are proud of their club and have high hopes for the future working in partnership with Heineken

interested in sporting events.

"Our Heineken Regional Manager Daniel Wood ensures we are offered promotions such as Race Nights, new product tastings and he also sponsors a number of our bank holiday and summer events like barbecues. In addition, Daniel and the company backed our players in the run-up to the finals of a national poker championship which we held earlier this year.

Assistant Secretary Howard Sharpe also works closely with Daniel.

"We have regular meetings where we discuss everything from changes in legislation to new products, levels of service to sales figures and forecasts.

"The support we receive is second to none and Daniel is always at the end of the phone if we need any advice or help.

"Heineken is one of the CIU's preferred suppliers and,



like our branch - West Yorkshire - I would have no hesitation in recommending the company to others for its professionalism, expertise and commitment to the welfare of the club sector as a whole."

Daniel Wood, Regional Manager says: "Thornhill Briggs is a very well-run club which always has members wanting to be on the Committee.

"It caters very well for all its members and, as a result, has increased sales and membership over the past year.

"This club is an example to others on how to be pro-active, adapt and succeed in the current climate and I am delighted to work with the Committee and watch their business grow."

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## LESS CAN BE MORE

Many clubs have managed to show that less can be more by cutting back on entertainment but improving its quality.

It can be a risky strategy but committees need to question whether their regular entertainment brings members through the doors. Several clubs have decided to reduce their regular entertainment from once or twice a week to once a month but with the much better high quality entertainment for which members seem to clamour.

Rather than organising an evening when only a few people are present and the club lose money on the entertainment, why not take the members into your confidence, tell them what you plan to do and see how the reaction would be? A higher class of entertainment, perhaps once a month, would ensure a full concert room and also result in a saving for the club.

Some clubs also find if they charge for the entertainment to help pay for its costs members appreciate the better quality and take more interest in the act. Instead of talking all the way through – which doesn't help the atmosphere – they are more likely to enjoy the whole evening.

*Club Journal* has highlighted two recent examples of clubs which have taken this approach. Briton Ferry WMC book the occasional well-known act and charge as much as £8 for people to see them. The Poplar Club at Accrington take a different tack with less well-known turns. The act can play for free, or for a nominal amount but keep the door money, and the club keep the bar takings.

## Part-timers and Bank Holidays

How much holiday, including Bank Holidays, are part-time workers entitled to?

Part-time workers have the basic right not to be treated less favourably than a comparable full-time worker. This means that a part-time worker is entitled to the same paid holidays, on a pro rata basis, as a full-time worker.

Bank Holidays are not additional to the statutory paid leave under the Working Time Regulations. There is no statutory right to Bank holidays.

There are basically four possible approaches to resolving this:

- Let the part-time workers take all eight Bank Holidays regardless of the days of the week they work. If they don't work on days that the Bank Holidays fall, they get given credit, often in the same week, so a "Tuesday-to-Friday" four-day-worker would have the Tuesday of a Bank Holiday week off instead of the Monday. This may provoke complaints from full-time staff.
- Don't give them any at all. There is no statutory right to Bank Holidays. However, as well as being inherently unfair there would be a very high risk of a claim under the Regulations, or a claim of indirect sex discrimination on the basis that the requirement to work full-time is a condition which is more difficult for the majority of women to comply with than men if they are

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The Business Medic

given to full-time workers.

- Provide paid leave on Bank Holidays when the holiday falls on their normal working day, but not if it does not. This is a big advantage for those who work on Mondays and a disadvantage for those who do not.
- Pro rata the Bank Holiday leave across the year. For example, a part-time worker who works three out of five days should therefore be entitled to receive three fifths of the Bank Holiday entitlement – 4.8 days, which would normally be rounded up to five. This is the approach previously recommended by the Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform. The Government now believes that the increases in holiday entitlement will make it easier for employers to calculate time off for Bank Holidays for part-time staff.

This article deals only with part-time workers who receive the basic statutory holiday entitlement under the Working Time Regulations.

- Bank Holidays are historically a rather strange concept as they can be specified by Royal proclamation as well as legislation in the usual way. This year, for instance there was an extra Bank Holiday for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Officially a Bank Holiday is a day when banks are entitled to close. The terms Bank Holiday and public holiday are often used interchangeably but Christmas Day and Good Friday are public holidays, not Bank Holidays. This is because they had been holidays for so long under common law that they weren't included when the original Bank Holiday Act was drawn up in 1871.

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# Follow up our beer victory with MPs



The Mayor of Barnsley, Coun. Dorothy Higginbottom was among visitors to the proposed miners' memorial garden

## Remember the miners

There are many reasons to remember warmly the people whose lives were at the heart of the coal mining industry. Our visitors to the National Coal Mining Museum for England have asked if we can find a way to commemorate those lives. A memorial garden, a place for quiet contemplation and reflection, will allow all who visit us to share the memories of what coal mining has meant over many generations.

We would like local and mining communities to work with us to create, use and further develop the garden. The garden will commemorate all those who were part of the industry, including those who died while mining and through mining-related diseases. We were delighted to read in *Club Journal* the work done by the Edward VII Club to help the Allerton Bywater Memorial near Castleford. Many people have their roots in coal mining. Whether your family worked in the mines, you live in an historic mining area, or you know of coal mining's important place in British history, we are looking for your support.

Initial designs and concepts will be released soon. We would like to hear what you think about them. If you would like to be involved with the development of the Memorial Garden or to make a contribution to the appeal, please contact the Development Office on 01924 848533, email [development.officer@ncm.org.uk](mailto:development.officer@ncm.org.uk) or make a donation online at [www.ncm.org.uk](http://www.ncm.org.uk) - we are grateful for all donations, large or small.

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Club and pub-goers everywhere have secured a major victory in recent weeks: an online petition calling on the Government to scrap the beer duty escalator has collected more than 104,000 signatures.

The beer duty escalator is used by the Government to increase the tax on beer by 2% above inflation every single year. It is forcing clubs and pubs to increase their prices and so people are choosing to buy cut-price alcohol from the supermarket to drink at home instead. Since it was introduced in 2008, over 5,800 pubs have rung last orders and shut their doors for ever. CAMRA's latest figures show that now weekly pub closures are up from 12 a week to 18 a week.

After the petition hit the magical 100,000 signatures, MPs debated this vital issue in Parliament on 1st November. Not a single MP spoke out in support of the escalator in the debate and the motion for a review of the social and economic impact of the escalator was passed unanimously by MPs. The impact on clubs was a key concern from MPs and were mentioned no fewer than 20 times.

A full review of the excise duty system is long overdue and the timing is critical to get the Government to act in time for the 2013 Budget. We're not asking for much; not for an end to war or for action to stop climate change - just for beer duty not to increase by more than inflation.



Now it's time to keep the pressure on and make sure MPs and the



Government follow through with real action to support our pubs and clubs. The Save Your Pint Campaign and CAMRA have organised a mass lobby of Parliament on Wednesday 12th December. We call upon everyone involved in clubs, not just Committees, but ordinary members and bar staff to come and join us on the day and make their voices heard by lobbying their local MP.

If you want to come along and tell your MP what you think about the escalator go to [www.saveyourpintlobby.org.uk](http://www.saveyourpintlobby.org.uk) to register. As well as meeting your MP there'll be a chance to link up with others in your area including CAMRA members and publicans. There will be a rally with speakers after the lobby and of course you'll be able to enjoy a well-earned pint on us.

Cheers!

The Save your Pint Campaign

## Use positive discrimination

Dear Editor,

During the beer escalator debate, the Treasury Minister Sajid Javid said the industry was on the decline for many other reasons anyway. In effect he was saying the Government were happy to help it on its way by putting the boot in as well - but surely it is the task of Government to preserve industry.

The debate revealed that a 60% hike in duty has led to only a 10% rise in revenue. The truth is that they could increase revenue by acknowledging that our clubs and pubs are not the same as supermarkets and discriminating in their favour. A further truth is that the more people that can

be encouraged to drink in safe, regulated and comfortable surroundings the fewer will be liable to binge drink and be subject to mental and physical illness through isolation.

At our AGM in Blackpool motions were passed by huge majorities stating what is required to help our clubs survive and, hopefully, be revived. If adopted jobs will be preserved; the club and pub industry will be preserved; the entertainment industry will be preserved; and the evils of over-indulgence will be more effectively tackled. The last Government ignored the recommendations of the Select Committee's review of the Licensing Act. This Government seems to be ignoring the totally valid arguments about the escalator. I suggest to the Prime Minister that he creates a new ministry entitled "The Ministry of Common Sense" to have an input into the work of all ministries? It may sound flippant but it is deadly serious.

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Dransfields, the Union's recommended supplier of gaming and amusement machines to clubs, has launched an improved website that includes a guide to the new Machine Games Duty.

Every club received a copy of the Dransfields guide to the new tax with last month's issue of Club Journal as well as a copy of the Registration Notice from the Revenue & Customs. It is imperative that clubs register with HMRC by December 31 or they will be seriously out of pocket as they will not be able to use their machines.

Managing Director Chris Haley told us: "Our calculations indicate that the majority of clubs will be better off under the new system but it's vital that they register by the end of the month. With Christmas upon us this can easily be forgotten about so clubs should register as soon as possible."

Dransfields website ([www.Dransfields.com](http://www.Dransfields.com)) also includes details of how to register along with a form that customers of Dransfields can send back to the firm as machine suppliers have a legal obligation to check registration details.

### One armed bandit

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# gives clubs a nudge

expanded to become one of the largest machine suppliers in the North of England.

"When the current Managing Director Chris Haley joined the company in 1996, Dransfields set out on a modernisation and expansion programme with the aim of becoming the number one national supplier of gaming machines to clubs," says Robert Dransfield.

"We now have experienced teams of service engineers operating from local depots strategically located across the UK on call 7 days a week, 364 days a year, providing a rapid response service; the priority we place on service clearly marks us out from our competitors and minimises costly machine downtime."

The nudge feature, which is still an integral part of most modern gaming machines was developed and patented by Dransfields and demonstrates their long-established pedigree within the industry. Trevor Carter, the son of Harry Dransfield's engineering partner Albert Carter, was watching an early machine being played; the reels displayed two jackpot bars with the third jackpot bar just above the winning position on the third reel and the player said: "If only we had some way of moving the third bar down onto the winline." This was the spark that led to the development of the "nudge" and was incorporated in the very popular "Club Nudger".

At that time, the feature would allow only one nudge on one reel to advance downwards to enhance the chances of a winning combination. Later, game enhancement was increased dramatically by allowing multiple nudges on all reels and two machines, "Feature Win" and "Reel Chance", were developed by Jim Trueman of Dransfields using the new multi-nudge technology. The machines were an instant success with time penalties on nudging greatly increasing the excitement of the machines.



Managing Director Chris Haley and (right) Chairman Robert Dransfield.

## NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

The feature was further enhanced with the advent of electronic technology, allowing reels to be nudged up as well as down. Around 70 machines were developed by Dransfields between 1973 and 1994 and following this the nudge feature was adopted by most other manufacturers. It still remains one of the most popular features of the modern gaming machine.



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Buttershaw Lane is a residential part of Bradford with a good smattering of pubs but they don't provide competition for this club – not when they sell beer at £1.35 a pint. It's a bit of a change from 1984 when Graham Dawson took over as Club President with the club owing £80,000. "I vowed to sell the cheapest beer in Bradford and I've achieved that ambition," he says. "I'm a tight Yorkshireman and I don't like like paying more for anything than I have to."

He's not the only one: Graham recalls that when the club first put a bar into the concert room they charged a penny extra. "That bar never sold anything. People would buy their beer at the bar in the lounge and carry it through to the concert room rather than pay the extra penny." Hard work through the 80s paid off the club's debts meaning they were able to regain their deeds from Bass in 1995 and were then free to strike deals with other breweries. Since then the club have proved themselves skilled negotiators and continue to deal with a range of breweries to keep competition keen. They were able to keep prices the same for nine years and it's no coincidence there is a waiting list of people keen to join the club's 900 members.

"There's no such thing as an interest-free brewery loan because you then have to take their beer," says Graham, who is currently taking a back seat as Assistant Secretary to Secretary Chris Daly. "We don't owe anybody anything so we can negotiate great prices." The club turns over £10,000 a week, which



Committee members pictured (left to right) Graham Clavin, Graham Dawson, Martin Sn Peter Gurney and Paul Larvin. Below: one of the club in its various stages made by re Hinchcliffe, whose father Joe was a founde windows at the front of the club have since conservatory added.



considering their prices is a lot of be Worthington's at £1.35, John Smith's real ales from Black Sheep, as well as a regular guest ale, at the same

price. Carling lager sells at £1.60 and even a double gin or vodka comes out at £1.80. It's not all about beer as the club also has two snooker tables and has a games night on a Monday night with darts, dominoes, 5s and 3s, whist and snooker, bingo through the week and live acts



The club's busy lounge bar.

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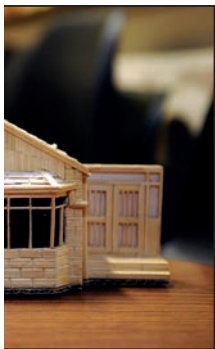
(right): Gordon Harrison, in Smith, Derek Wilson, one of a series of models by retired fireman Jim under member. The since been enlarged and a

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A smoking shelter and picnic tables are the latest addition to the club's frontage. Below: books can be swapped in return for a donation to the Armed Forces Support Group charity. Bottom: bar staff pictured (left to right) are Audrey Church, Martin Charlesworth, Joanne Charlesworth, Lesley Charlesworth, Stacey Kerr and Denise Jarline.



on a Sunday. It began life in 1916 in three terrace houses, which are now shops, which belonged to a property developer called Brearcliffe, a founder member whose name lives on at nearby Brearcliffe Drive, and whose son Frank was a prominent member of the Committee. The club then moved across Buttershaw Lane in 1922 to two Nissen huts at its current site. They were built on top of a brick base and gave the club its nickname of the Rubbing Board. In the days before health and safety children were able to play underneath the club and would occasionally find pennies down there.

The Rubbing Board remained in place until 1964 when the current premises were built. At first there was just one bar but in 1974 the club was extended, with new toilets and the new bar added in the concert room. Now one bar goes right through.

In 1981 the club added a conservatory next to its front door to create a foyer and its double doors are particularly well suited for those needing disabled access. A bookcase in the foyer allows members to operate a book swapping club with £1 donated to the Armed Forces Support Group charity when one is taken out.

The club has also recently presented a cheque for £600 to Help for Heroes and helped out a Trustee's grandson. It's a shining example of how a club can thrive in the current climate with a bit of determination.



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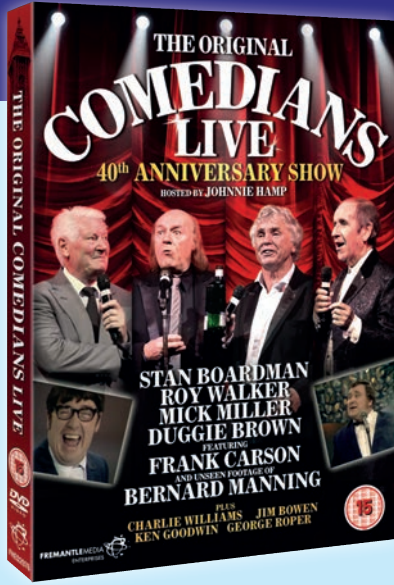
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Club Journal readers have the chance to win a new DVD that recalls the TV show that put social clubs on the map.

Four of the great names from the 70s hit "The Comedians" – Stan Boardman, Duggie Brown, Mick Miller and Roy Walker – were reunited on stage in Blackpool this year and now a DVD of their performance has been released in time to battle it out with the youngsters in the Christmas charts.

The DVD has been produced by Stan Boardman's son Paul who says: "Comedy has come full circle. The new alternative comedy is just telling a joke."

The show was compered by former "Comedians" producer Johnnie Hamp, and he also introduces interviews with Frank Carson, Jim Bowen and Bernard Manning as well as clips from the original show of Charlie Williams, Ken Goodwin and George Roper and many others. Hamp visited the clubs of the North West looking for talent for the TV show which was filmed before a live audience in Manchester and first appeared in 1971.

Each comic performed a 20-minute set, and their best jokes were knitted together to produce a half-hour programme. "All the comedians were unknown at the time and it was all about fast-moving gags. It was a different type of humour from the approach of today."

*Johnnie Hamp (right) is reunited with (left to right): Roy Walker, Mick Miller, Stan Boardman and Duggie Brown.*



The Original Comedians Live 40th Anniversary Show lasts two hours and is available for £9.99 from Amazon, Asda and Morrisons. We have five copies of the DVD, courtesy of FremantleMedia Home Entertainment, signed by Roy Walker to give away in time for Christmas to the readers with the five best jokes. The best joke will also win a goodie bag that includes an LP of the original show among other items.

Send your joke to Joke Competition, Club Journal, Unit 17, St Peter's Wharf, Newcastle NE6 1TZ by December 13, or email [cj@powdene.com](mailto:cj@powdene.com). Don't forget to include your name and address and which club you are a member of and – as we plan to print the winning jokes – keep them clean!



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As well as Terry Watson and his younger brother Tony, among those on the picture are National Executive members Colin Armstrong and David Walton, lecturers Bill Robinson and Ian Silcott, and organiser Cath Fitzpatrick from Head Office.

# THE RECORD BREAKERS



This year's National Charity Raceday set new records as Wetherby was bathed in autumn sunshine for the third successive year.

A record 1,584 CIU Racing Club members took advantage of the cracking offer from the racecourse. As well as their own marquee CIU members were given five 50p-off vouchers, a pie-and-pea lunch, a free racecard and a £2 discounted Tote betting voucher.

The course and their caterers CGC Services both gave £1 from each booking to Saltburn House, the Union's Holiday and Convalescent Centre on the beautiful north Yorkshire coast, meaning racecourse Chief Executive Jonjo Sanderson was able to hand over a cheque for £3,168 to Union President George Dawson and Vice-President John Tobin.

The Union's recommended gaming machine suppliers Dransfields again sponsored a race, the Dransfields CIU Charity Raceday Handicap Hurdle; Chris Haley and Diane Hammond from Dransfields were on hand to choose the best turned out horse in the race, King Mak, and to present the £50 cash prize to stable girl Natasha Hayes. The Union is also grateful to John Smith's, part of our sole recommended supplier of beer and cider, Heineken UK, who provided the 50p-off vouchers. But, of course, it is the club members who make the day, none less than Farsley WMC in Leeds, who brought 237 members, a new record and a fantastic achievement by organiser Michael Backhouse.

*Clockwise from top left: Jonjo Sanderson presents the Saltburn House cheque to John Tobin and George Dawson; Chris Haley (right) and Alan Jackson from Dransfields present the winners' memento to Mr and Mrs J M Jagger, owners of Sun Cloud; club members enjoy the facilities of the CIU marquee; and Chris Haley and Diane Hammond congratulate stable girl Natasha Hayes.*

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Harold Edward Kennett, Sturdee Social & Bowling Club, Kent  
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Stephen Paul Dewick, Groby Ex-service Mens SC, Leicestershire  
Eric Heap, Nantwich Rd. SC, North Staffs  
Brian Porter, Haslington Cosey SC, North Staffs  
Alan Jones, Haslington Cosey SC, North Staffs

### Certificate of Merit

Graham John Bunker, Cricklewood Trades Hall Club, North West Met  
Robert Harry Symons, Knaphill Workmens Club, South East Met  
Pauline Florence Gilder, Sturdee Social & Bowling Club, Kent  
Paul Sydney Saywell, Sturdee Social & Bowling Club, Kent

### Long Service Award

Brian Walker, Moss Bay Workingmens Club, Cumbria  
Geoffrey Atkinson, Coxhoe WMC, Durham  
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## CLUB NOTICES

### Expulsions

Not now members of the following clubs. These should not be admitted as Union associates.

Mr David Marriott (M143), Kingsley Park WMC, Northampton  
Mr Trevor Jordan Buntingford & District Club, Hertfordshire

### Suspensions Expiring on Dates Mentioned

Mr Jason Cave, Rubery Social, Birmingham (August 19th 2013)  
Mr Gary Coyle, Rubery Social, Birmingham (August 19th 2013)

### Clubs Withdrawn

Saltwell Social Club (Durham Branch)

### Club Admitted into Membership of the Union

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(South East Met. Branch)

### Clubs Closed

Wellingborough British Rail Sports & Social Club (South East Mids. Branch)  
Brasenose Social Club (Kent Branch)



## OBITUARIES

### Les Bayles

Tributes have been paid to Les Bayles, the long serving Secretary of Darlington East End WMC, who died last month at the age of 79. Les had been a Committee member before serving as secretary for 22 years and had recently received the Long Service Award. Often seen up on stage exercising his vocal talents, he was a well known and popular character involved in a great many aspects of club life and will be remembered for such antics as dressing up for the Easter Bonnet Parade and for his fundraising efforts on behalf of St Teresa's Hospice. He also played a vital role in helping set up and organise the club's ladies section in 1987 and worked tirelessly in support of the club and all its members.

Les worked as an ambulance driver in Darlington from the late 60s until his retirement in 1992. His medical career began as a member of the Royal Army Medical Corps serving in the Korean War from 1951-53.

Greatly missed by all his friends and colleagues at the club, Les leaves behind many good memories and will be fondly remembered. Condolences also go to his widow Lyn, sons Jim and Andrew and all their family.



Les received his Long Service Award at the same time as Committee members Alan Dobson and Fred Wood received Certificates of Merit. Les is pictured holding one of the Certificates of Merit with (left to right) Durham Branch Secretary Keith Reay, Alan Dobson, Fred Wood, Branch President Mick McGlasham and Branch Executive member Stan Summers.

### Jeff Fitzsimons

Bexleyheath WMC in Kent regret to announce the sudden death of their Secretary Jeff Fitzsimons

Jeff was secretary for 12 years and his death at 62 has left the club with some big shoes to fill. He will be missed by all at the club and condolences go to his family at this sad time.



## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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

Mrs Maureen Allison of Newton Aycliffe WMC, Durham;  
John Tully of Rushden WMC, Northants;  
Graham Jones of Milnrow WMC, Lancs;  
Mr F Green of Walthamstow WMC, North London;  
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# Jim defeats two Unique champions to take title

The combined semi-finals and finals of two more of this year's national games competitions took place after this issue of *Club Journal* went to press.

The Individual Pool was held on November 24 at Bloomfield Club in Blackpool while the Dominoes Straight Pairs took place on December 1 at Leicester Railwaymen's Club. Full reports will appear in our January issue.



South Yorkshire Branch Secretary Ken Green is pictured with (left to right): Dave Prins, Jim Walker, Gordon Dobey and Tim Jones.

Jim Walker from Enderby Social Club near Leicester had to beat two former champions from the same club to become our new National Darts Champion. First he beat Gordon Dobey from Northumberland's White House Unique Social Club in the semi-final before a thrilling best-of-seven final against clubmate Dave Prins went to an eighth leg. The semi-finals and final were all held at Darfield Road WMC near Barnsley on November 10. The first semi-final pitted the skills of Tim Jones from the Aberavon & Port Talbot Liberal Club against former champion Prins. Prins won the first three games with Jones pulling two games back before Prins clinched victory with a 144 check-out.

The second semi between Walker and Dobey was equally enthralling. Although Walker won 4-0 the game was far from being one-sided, with both players getting to a check-out score in every game and Dobey having three 180s to Walker's one. The final started with an equal darts draw in the first leg. Walker won legs two, four, and five to go 3-1 up but Prins won six and seven to take the contest into an eighth leg, which was won by Walker. Both players scored one 180 each with Dave Prins having one 150, two 140s and nine scores of 100 or more. Jim Walker achieved six 140s and nine scores of 100 or above.

• The Unique Club belied its name by producing yet another darts champion when Steve Wanless, defeated Arthur Dobey from Netherton Social Club in the Branch final at Bedlington Station WMC.



Blyth Sports & Social Club 'A' are the new Northumberland Branch Pool Champions. In the final at Dinnington Village Social Club they beat runners-up King Street Social 'A' from North Shields 4-2. Pictured (left to right) are: Branch Secretary Dave Richardson, National Executive member Sid Hicks, players Kevin McGarry, Alan Parker and Paul Riley, and Branch President Alan Hardy.

## PRIZE CROSSWORD

Every month we give five £10 prizes to a lucky five correct entrants.

### ACROSS

- 1 Copycat - in a bird cage? (6)
- 5 Tidy up sty/tip for office sort. (6)
- 9 Per capita, it's upfront (5)
- 10 Gives norm as it were, to rule badly. (9)
- 12 Coloured before knitting is out - and out! (4-2-3-4)
- 14 Deists must try somehow to abstain. (6)
- 17 Detour is made for non-member. (8)
- 18 Tot up - right in this case. (3)
- 19 Bread row stirred up trouble in clothes store. (8)
- 20 Cricket official said to ponder before fire. (6)
- 25 Not your average soloist. (13)

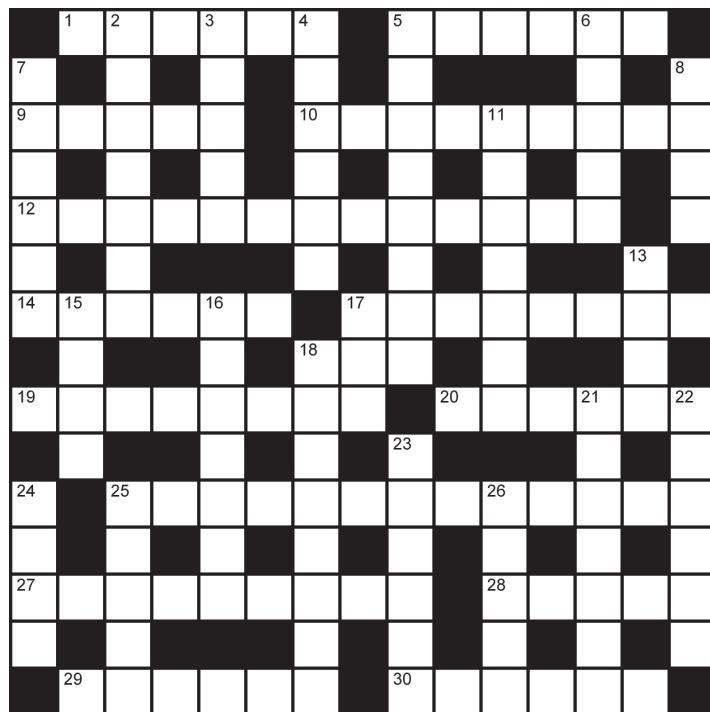
- 27 Polar furs wrapped around underground yield. (9)
- 28 Dobson ain't a pushover! (5)
- 29 Accounts book - shelf to the right. (6)
- 30 Grate, which takes a load of taxis to the French. (6)

### DOWN

- 2 Sell Eva up the creek to get qualifications. (1-6)
- 3 Spoke lines to radicalise (but not to scale). (5)
- 4 Love apple has cat on zero. (6)
- 5 Tiny sensory organ has dates, but not in order. (5,3)
- 6 Southern damn' place is home to a mollusc! (5)
- 7 Frank and able, and acted finally. (6)
- 8 Don't open - inside it's placed atop. (4)
- 11 Oops! Sum miscalculated by pouch owner. (7)
- 13 Swerve, by way of talking. (4)

- 15 Written test in hexametric building. (4)
- 16 Pedestrian often seen with gym kit. (7)
- 17 Poem's a bit moderate... (3)
- 18 ...but better than falling out over a bap. (5,3)
- 21 Beginning to be a bit of an acronym. (7)
- 22 Prevent rapport from being a catchword. (6)
- 23 Roared about one who admires. (6)
- 24 Clip the end of your sleeve. (4)
- 25 Harden, because of disastrous ruin over sweetheart. (5)
- 26 Repeatedly, it's an increase. (5)

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# 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 at the foot of this page. To obtain the discount we send all the forms to the racecourse together as one block booking and they will send you the tickets at your club a few days before the meeting. Tickets are sent to the club as otherwise anyone could buy them. 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.

To register your club as a member of the CIU Racing Club ring **Jean Garrett** on (0191) 2650040. As well as receiving regular updates and the full list of offers you will receive a free copy of Club Journal. Remember that even if a meeting is not listed here you can obtain a party discount direct from the course. Satellite racing channel RACING UK is offering all CIU clubs a 30 per cent discount. For further information ring 0870 351 8834. **A selection of offers are printed here. The full list has been sent to registered Racing Club members and can also be found on the CIU website.** (All offers Tattersalls unless stated otherwise)

## Race Discounts

LEICESTER:..... Friday, 28th December .....	£9 (normally £16)
KELSO:..... Saturday, 29th December .....	£9 (normally £13)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 29th December .....	£16 (normally £20)
HAYDOCK:..... Sunday, 30th December .....	£11 (normally £20)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 9th February .....	£16 (normally £20)
KELSO:..... Saturday, 2nd March.....	£9 (normally £13)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 2nd March.....	£12 (normally £16)
CARLISLE:..... Sunday 17th March.....	£10 (normally £15)
KELSO:..... Saturday, 23rd March .....	£9 (normally £13)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 23rd March .....	£12 (normally £16)
CARLISLE:..... Saturday 30th March.....	£10 (normally £15)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 20th April.....	£12 (normally £16)
LEICESTER:..... Saturday, 27th April .....	£9 (normally £16)
RIPON:..... Saturday, 27th April .....	£12 (normally £15)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 18th May .....	£16 (normally £20)
LEICESTER:..... Monday, 20th May (eve) .....	£7 (normally £12)
CARLISLE:..... Bank Holiday Monday, 27th May..	£10 (normally £15)
LEICESTER:..... Bank Holiday, Monday, 27th May ..	£9 (normally £16)
LEICESTER:..... Thursday, 20th June (eve) .....	£7 (normally £12)
NEWBURY:..... Tuesday, 25th June (eve) .....	£12 (normally £16)
LEICESTER:..... Thursday, 27th June (eve) .....	£7 (normally £12)
NEWBURY:..... Thursday, 4th July (eve) .....	£12 (normally £16)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 20th July.....	£16 (normally £20)
RIPON:..... Saturday, 20th July.....	£12 (normally £15)
LEICESTER:..... Wednesday, 24th July (eve) .....	£7 (normally £12)
CARLISLE:..... Sunday 28th July .....	£10 (normally £15)
LEICESTER:..... Wednesday, 31st July (eve) .....	£7 (normally £12)
NEWBURY:..... Sunday, 4th August .....	£12 (normally £16)
RIPON:..... Saturday, 17th August .....	£12 (normally £15)
LEICESTER:..... Tuesday, 20th August (eve) .....	£7 (normally £12)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 21st September .....	£16 (normally £20)
RIPON:..... Saturday, 28th September.....	£12 (normally £15)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 26th October .....	£12 (normally £16)
CARLISLE:..... Sunday 3rd November .....	£10 (normally £15)
CARLISLE:..... Sunday 1st December.....	£10 (normally £15)
LEICESTER:..... Sunday, 1st December .....	£9 (normally £16)
LEICESTER:..... Friday, 27th December .....	£9 (normally £16)
NEWBURY:..... Saturday, 28th December .....	£12 (normally £16)

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## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime telephone No: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

Membership of the CIU Racing Club is open to all CIU clubs and is completely FREE. To join fill in the Registration Form below and send it to Jean Garrett at Club Journal.

### REGISTRATION FORM

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

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

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

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

Daytime Telephone No: \_\_\_\_\_

We organise: Occasional \_\_\_\_\_

Regular \_\_\_\_\_ race outings.

Average number of members taking part: \_\_\_\_\_

Most members prefer: Flat \_\_\_\_\_ National Hunt \_\_\_\_\_

The furthest we would travel to a race meeting is: 50 miles \_\_\_\_\_

100 miles \_\_\_\_\_ Further than 100 miles \_\_\_\_\_

Courses of most interest to us: \_\_\_\_\_

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The overall games winner Dennis St John is pictured holding the Wilfred Sharp Shield along with runner-up Peter Turner, winner of the Percy Ansell Cup, and Club Secretary Brian Hickmott.

## Trombone time at presentation night

All the winners of the 19 winter games, seven memorial competitions and 10 open competitions organised by Kent's oldest club were there to collect their trophies at its 76th annual games presentation – trombone time as cricket commentator Brian Johnston would have described it.

As well as club drinks vouchers the Maidstone WMC's champions were also presented with the perpetual shields and cups that are kept on permanent display in the club's trophy cabinets (below). Guest of honour for the night, which was sponsored this year by Heineken UK, Molson Coors and Hills Prospect, was Bill Williams, the Chief Executive of Maidstone United Football Club. The football club have just returned to playing home games in Maidstone after nearly 25 years of ground shares with other teams in Kent, a major boost for clubs in the town.

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The club, which was founded in 1870 and joined the Union five years later, is one of many that now have their own website and Facebook page.



Brian Hickmott is pictured with Bill Williams after being presented with his Long Service Award for 25 years' service.

# Tom leads his giant killers to 'gold' at 90



The Olympic-style presentation party for the giant-killing Hunwick Club B team. Back row (left to right) Alfie Edwards, Vickers Bell, Charlie Donaghy, Paul Maddison and Alan Rose. Front row: Harold Lomax, Barry Fleming, Tom Ward and Johnny Lee.

Durham club legend Tom Ward has capped his amazing career at the age of 90 by helping his club's third division snooker team win their CIU league knock-out – a giant-killing feat marked by an Olympic-themed presentation.

Tom, who has been Club Secretary at Hunwick WMC for more than 50 years and is credited with saving the club in 1994, has been a billiards and snooker champion even longer. He played in the club's treble-winning billiard team, who were English national champions in 1950 and Branch champions six years running; in the early 70s he was asked to fill in for someone on the snooker team and has kept his place ever since.

## VUVUZELA BLOWER

The presentation to the giant-killers was the finale of the Langley Moor & District CIU Summer Snooker League presentation evening at the club. The presentation party was led by vuvuzela blower Alan Rose with Union Jack-suited Alfie Edwards carrying the velvet cushion on which the "gold" medals were laid, followed by League Secretary Charlie Donaghy in his Olympic tracksuit with the Torch he carried in the summer. After the medals were presented Dennis Dodd sang the National Anthem.

Other presentations were made to: League Division One, Wingate; Division Two, Wheatley Hill; Division Three, Sacriston: Team Knock-Out: (winners Hunwick B) runners-up Spennymoor; Team Plate: Hunwick A, runners-up Fishburn B.

Singles: Paul Batey, Ferryhill; runner-up Adrian Jones, also Ferryhill. Jack Jobson Memorial Singles: Adrian Jones, runner-up Warren Kennick, Meadowfield; Ronnie Bateman Memorial Singles: Adrian Jones, runner-up Scott Mallaburn, Sherburn Village. Pairs: Stuart Neill and Alan Keeney, Newton Aycliffe; runners-up Dale Wilson and Paul Atkinson, Hunwick; Harry Little Memorial Handicap: Alan Smith and Glen Morton, Bearpark; runners-up Wayne Oliver and Ian Carter, Fishburn.

Section One highest break: Thomas Cairns, New Durham and Wayne Oliver, Fishburn A (shared); Section two: Michael Rhodes, Ferryhill A; Section Three: Steven Webb, Hunwick A.