

Club Journal

January 2013

The magazine for all CIU members

75p

THE GOVERNMENT ARE STARTING TO LISTEN



150 Years without a drink!

The Union's oldest member has celebrated its 150th birthday with a special dinner. Walthamstow WMC in North London was founded by the teetotal Henry Solly on November 22, 1862 – five months after he founded the Union itself at a meeting chaired by the Lord Chancellor. Although other clubs are older none have been in the Union as long.

The club, which featured prominently in our special June issue, has only 39 members,

most of whom are pictured above, and is also unique in being a temperance club. "We have a clubroom consisting of two snooker tables, open every day except Christmas Day," says Club Secretary Tony Huddle. "There are no staff, all our members hold keys to the premises and we let ourselves in and sign in and sign out the books when we come in to use the tables." You can read about some of the Union's other unusual clubs on Pages 2 and 3.

INSIDE...

FSA GET TOUGH

The Financial Services Authority are warning clubs that they face prosecution – See Page 6.

FIVE GO AND WIN

Five CIU clubs were among the winners at the recent Club Awards – Full story and pictures Page 9.

FOOTBALL WARNING

The Premier League have again warned clubs about showing unauthorised matches on Saturday afternoons – See Page 18

Register NOW

The online deadline for registering for the new Machine Games Duty (MGD) has been extended until January 11, following representations from the Union and other members of the industry. If you haven't done so you need to register NOW – or you risk not being able to use your machines when MGD replaces AMLD on February 1. Failure to register with Revenue & Customs (HMRC) could lead to a penalty of up to 100 per cent of the tax due. You can find a registration form on the HMRC website.

The Union's fight for clubs continues in 2013 with signs that the Government are starting to listen to us.

The Home Office has launched a 10-week consultation on a suggested minimum price for alcohol of 45p a unit – and has extended the online deadline for registration for Machine Games Duty.

The Union has long campaigned for minimum pricing as a step in the fight against the irresponsible and unsupervised selling of dirt cheap alcohol by the supermarkets. Original indications were that a minimum price of 40p per unit of alcohol would be set but the new proposals are for 45p a unit – still short of the 50p minimum introduced in Scotland.

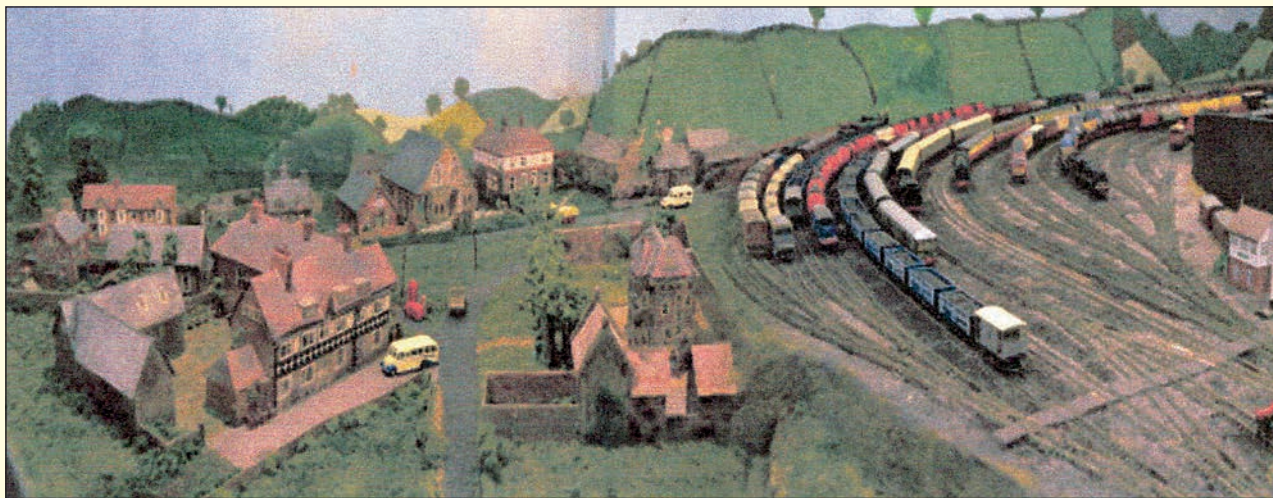
"We welcome this move which we have campaigned in favour of for a long time," said Union President George Dawson. "It's a step in the right direction though it seems strange to have a different price north of the border.

"The Government, however, continues to discourage responsible and supervised drinking in both clubs and pubs by continuing with the discredited beer escalator. This is something that badly needs to be scrapped."

Club members have also taken the opportunity to tell their MPs what they think of the escalator, which automatically raises the price of England's national drink at a rate of 2 per cent above inflation. On December 12 they joined a rally of Parliament organised by CAMRA where MPs said the beer escalator had led to pubs and clubs closing and overall probably cost more than it raised.

Since the Labour Government introduced the escalator in 2008 tax on beer has increased by 40 per cent and more than 5,800 pubs and clubs have closed their doors.

Among the speakers was Andrew Griffiths, the chairman of the All-Parliamentary Beer Group, who pointed out that Britons drink 13 per cent of Europe's beer but pay 40 per cent of its taxes.



Part of the impressive model railway at Woodford Halse Club

Model operation is on track

Woodford Halse Social Club is housed in a stunning mock Tudor building known as The Gorse built in 1898 as a hunting lodge for the Grafton hunt.

The village of Woodford occupied a strategic spot in the rail network and had four marshalling yards and several lines but now the only railway is a magnificent model train set in the club.

The lodge became the Hinton Gorse Hotel and with the coming of the Great Central Railway in 1900 the gentry would hire complete trains to take their horses, dogs, servants and grooms to stay. As well as having stabling for the horses and kennels for the dogs, and its own well in the cellar, the hotel had sumptuous rooms for the rich and extensive gardens and trees.

The hotel was used to billet troops in both world wars and in 1955 it was bought by the British Railways Staff Association. The villages of Woodford, Hinton and West Farndon were halfway from Marylebone to Manchester and by this time had grown into the large village of Woodford Halse, which would have become a new town had the Beeching cuts not meant the complete closure of the railway in 1966.

Somehow the club survived and its members, many of them railwaymen, bought it in 1970 to set up Woodford Halse Social Club, which kept a link to the age of steam by selling beer from the nearby Hook Norton brewery, which is still powered by a steam engine.

FAIRPORT

The main bar and lounge areas were modernised and refurbished in 2002 and it now has over 1,000 members who are spread as far away as Brighton! In 2009 many of them packed the concert room as folk rockers Fairport Convention held a warm-up gig in the club before their annual Cropredy Festival.

The Great Central Railway Enthusiasts Association was founded by member Derek King in 1976 after a trip to the York Railway Museum and the Committee allowed them to clean out, repair and decorate disused rooms at the top of the building. They started the model railway with a model of Woodford station and have gone on to take over a whole room upstairs.

"We have a bit of fun (and the odd beer)," says member John Rose. "A lot of things have to be made by hand and we have never had a large budget, so we photograph and measure things, pick people's brains, and look at old prints and photos.

"One of our members, now in his 80s, drove steam engines at Woodford Halse, another drives trains at Loughborough's Great Central Steam Railway, two more are firemen on that railway, others are artists, published authors and photographers. We seem to have acquired a small museum and become custodians of the

Following our article about clubs in listed buildings this month's issue features two of the more unusual clubs in the Union, Woodford Halse Club in Northamptonshire and (opposite) Midgehole WMC in West Yorkshire, known as the Blue Pig.



The club is housed in a striking mock Tudor building, originally built as a hunting lodge. Below: folk stars Fairport Convention rock the concert room.



past, creating a history of people's lives, woven round the railway in this place that no one had ever heard of.

"We welcome visitors but if you wish to visit the club let the Secretary Mandy Brown know you're coming. We'll put a bit more coal on the firebox and do our best to give you a warm welcome."

A watering hole to dye for

The Blue Pig, or Midgehole WMC to give it its proper name, looks more like a scout hut than a club and is tucked away in a valley near Hebden Bridge in West Yorkshire.

It has no paid staff and is run solely by a team of 20 volunteers, which means it opens on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sunday lunchtimes as well as every evening.

It's thought that the club started some time in the 19th century as a drinking den for the local dye workers – possibly because their wives were strict Methodists. No one's quite sure why it's known as the Blue Pig: one theory is that a pig from a nearby farm went through the dyeing process at one of the nearby mills and came out blue!

Whether that's true or not, the club now has a collection of blue pigs as well as commemorative plates marking the centenary of its joining the CIU in 1907.

IDYLLIC

Along with its idyllic riverside setting on Hebden Water next to the National Trust's Hardcastle Crag, the Blue Pig's other attraction is its beer. The club always stocks two beers from Madonna's favourite brewery Timothy Taylor, Chinook from another Keighley brewery Goose Eye as well as regular guest ales, and they hold an annual beer festival in August.

Membership of the club is restricted to 400, however, and there is a healthy waiting list. "We have people queuing up to join if anyone doesn't renew their membership in March," says Committee member Paul Rigg. "We've been asked to join the Good Beer Guide but we don't need to tell more people about the club – though we've made an exception for *Club Journal* and we do welcome affiliated members!"



Members enjoy a beer festival outside the club. Right: former secretary Roger Nuttall behind the bar on Hallowe'en.



The current club building (left) with the old building as it looked in 2000. (picture: Sheerness Times Guardian)

Historic frontage to be restored

A stunning club frontage is set to be restored to its former glory, thanks to a council initiative.

Sheerness Victoria Club on the Isle of Sheppey in Kent sold their landmark building to a developer in 2000 and moved to new premises next door. But the plan to create apartments never developed and the building is now an eyesore, which has attracted thieves and vandals.

Now a new developer has bought the site and with the help of an interest-free loan from Kent County Council's No Use Empty scheme it is hoped to create nine apartments and restore the frontage.

"We're very pleased," said a club spokesman. "The old club is a real eyesore and it's created a lot of problems for us over the last 12 years."

Kent's National Executive member Roger Oake said:

"This is one of the best looking club buildings in the Branch. It's great news that it will be restored, especially for the club itself who have had a lot to put up with."

Roger was one of the members of the Kent Branch Executive who were pictured together at a recent meeting. Pictured (left to right) are: Colin Lewing (Vice-President); Dave Eastwood (Branch Secretary); Mick McGowan (Leisure); Ron Mills (Honourable-Vice President); Nobby Clark, (Honourable Vice-President); Roger Tingley (President); Tom Jones (Finance); Peter Sands (Leisure Secretary); Ron Giles (Finance Secretary); Hugh Rozario (Leisure); Roger Oake (NEC Member and Finance) and Bill Sibley (Finance).



Club honours Ethel at 92

A Welsh club has held a special presentation for a 92-year-old member, who has been fundraising longer than the club has existed. Rogerstone & Bassaleg SC near Newport honoured 30 years of fundraising by Ethel Morgan, who formed the Ladies' Volunteer Committee when the club was still the Alcan Social Club. She had originally worked for Alcan, who built the club in the 40s entirely out of aluminium to demonstrate the qualities of the metal they produced.

The company later provided playing fields and made it into a club for its workers before it became the Rogerstone & Bassaleg Club and joined the Union in 1982. Ethel and her fellow Committee members raised money with regular raffles in order to organise children's parties, trips to Weston-super-Mare (where thirsty Welshmen could get a drink on a Sunday) and social evenings, and even bought

Proud and honoured

items for the club. Ethel's late husband Ken was also a long-serving member of the club's Committee.

Club Chairman Paul Ryall created a special certificate to mark Ethel's service, which was presented to her along with shopping vouchers, a bouquet and a bottle of whisky – her favourite drink and her secret to keeping so active. He said: "Ethel is a very special lady, she is the only one of the original members still on the Committee and has been on the club since before I was born so when we heard this anniversary was coming up we were determined to do something special."

Pictured (left to right) are: Paul Ryall, Ladies Committee Treasurer Sue Cotterall, Club Vice-Chairman Noel Bassett, Ethel and fellow Committee members Margaret Morgan, Iris Davies and Lovain Jones.



Three 10-year service awards were handed over at two separate presentations at Stanley Central Club in County Durham. National Executive member Colin Armstrong was a guest when Committee member Darren Talbot received his Certificate of Merit and his partner Sharon Stephens was presented with a bouquet from the club. They are flanked by Chairman Malcolm Jefferson (left) and Secretary Dennis Long, while behind them (left to right) are: Club Treasurer David Errington, Durham Branch Executive member Derek Lumley and Colin Armstrong. Earlier Branch Secretary Keith Reay presented John Halliday and John Bridge with their Certificates of Merit. Pictured (left to right) are: Keith Reay, Malcolm Jefferson, David Errington, John Halliday, John Bridge, Dennis Long and Derek Lumley.



HAYES WORKING MEN'S CLUB

LATE NIGHT CABARET

Saturday 26th January

JACKSON LIVE

(MICHAEL JACKSON TRIBUTE)

TODAY'S TEARDROPS

(GENE PITNEY AND ROY ORBISON TRIBUTE)

+ SUPPORT

Saturday 23rd February

BADNESS

(MADNESS TRIBUTE)

NICOLA MARIE

+ SUPPORT

PUMP LANE, HAYES, MIDDLESEX UB3 3NB
SHOW £10 PER TICKET (OVER 18 ONLY)
Bar open until 1.00 am – Doors open 7.00 pm

Coach parties welcome by prior
arrangement – please contact Secretary
for information and tickets on:
020-8573-1721

SUPPLIER SUPPORT COMES OUT TOPS



TOPS: Club 'stalwart' and Committee member Gary O'Neil (left) was presented with a prize by Martin 'Wolfie' Adams



WELCOME: (L-R): Heineken Regional Manager Chris Lloyd, Martin 'Wolfie' Adams, Master Caller Richard Ashdown and Club Secretary Matt Jones

More than 80 darts enthusiasts and players turned out at Kenfig Hill Labour Club near Bridgend to watch and challenge three-time BDO World Champion and three-time World Masters champion Martin 'Wolfie' Adams.

Organised by John Smith's and the club's Heineken Regional Manager Chris Lloyd, the event saw Martin toying the oche with all-comers.

According to Club Secretary Matt Jones, the evening was a huge success and raised awareness of one of the newest brands on their bar since the club started trading with Heineken earlier this year.

"Martin is held in great esteem by our darts players so getting the chance to challenge him, have a chat and be photographed was a rare and memorable opportunity for them and we've had some very positive feedback.

"It's good to see that Heineken do as they say they will and promote their brands in a way that involves our members. This is something our previous suppliers failed to do to any great extent.

"Our thanks to Chris and his team for organising such a professionally-run event which was thoroughly enjoyed by all!" We look forward to running more promotional events of this kind in the future.

Chris Lloyd, Regional Manager for Heineken in the UK, says: "John Smith's has had a long relationship with darts and players past and present like Bobby George and Martin who are great ambassadors both for the game and John Smith's the brand.

"We do our best to bring business-building activities such as this to our customers' clubs so as to encourage more frequent use and increased footfall which benefit the club both in terms of sales and driving membership growth.

"I look forward to working



closely with Matt and the Committee to support the club and build their business through promotions such as this."

Karen Crowley, Senior Brand Manager for John Smith's says: "John Smith's seeks to support clubland with activities such as darts nights as well as other branded activities because these end up in many club members' diaries. Darts is the perfect opportunity to increase footfall. It conveys the 'No Nonsense' message - synonymous with John Smith's - at the same time as giving its drinkers a valid reason to visit their clubs on a more regular basis through teams and league participation."

● If you would like to find out more about the benefits your club could enjoy by trading with **HEINEKEN** in the UK or to arrange a meeting, please contact **PETER USHER**, Buying Group Director on 07831 840330 or email peter.usher@heineken.co.uk



Club Steward Gary Thomas (far right) with some of his staff and Martin Adams



Committed to your club Ring Peter Usher on 07831 840330

Managing sickness

Failing to follow a fair and proper procedure when dismissing staff for absence can lead to costly disability discrimination and unfair dismissal claims, for which the average tribunal awards last year were £27,235 and £32,115 respectively. Such claims are increasingly likely as sacked employees struggle to secure alternative employment in the current job market.

Dismissal is a last resort when dealing with genuine illness. If you comply with all four of the following stages you are unlikely to fall foul of the law:

Stage one: Meeting with the employee

The Secretary or another nominated official should conduct regular return-to-work meetings. They should meet any staff with high levels of absence to discuss the cause of the absences, any medical advice the employee has received, the likelihood of future absences, and possible job changes that would reduce the absences. Clubs should discuss possible return-to-work dates for long-term absences, and plans to assist employees when they do return.

Stage two: Medical input

There may be an underlying cause for regular absences. Clubs need medical input to understand what an employee is capable of doing, to find out if there are any adjustments that could be made to the employee's role to reduce absence levels, and to get a view on whether the employee is disabled under the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (DDA). Any medical input should be discussed with the employee as part of the consultation process.

Stage three: Reasonable adjustments

Clubs have a legal duty to consider any "reasonable adjustments" to enable employees classed as disabled under the DDA to continue to perform their roles. Dismissing an employee not classed as disabled is also more likely to be fair if the club has considered possible adjustments and alternatives. (Whether or not an adjustment is reasonable will depend on: the practicability, cost and likely effectiveness of it; the club's financial resources, and its nature and size; and the extent to which the employee, and possibly other staff members, are willing to co-operate with changes.)

Stage four: Dismissal decision

When considering dismissal Committees should have a full, up-to-date picture of the employee's medical condition and have considered alternatives to dismissal. They should also consider length of service, performance, whether there is likely to be a change in attendance, whether suitable alternative work is available, and the effect of the employee's absences on the club.

The **co-operative** bank
good with money

We're right on cue when it comes to cash

Our **Business Current Account – Cash Tariff** offers competitive rates plus the convenience of paying in cash at the Post Office®.

To find out more
0800 0282 282
 Lines open 8.30am to 5pm
 Mon to Fri ref: 39502
co-operativebank.co.uk/business



The Co-operative Bank is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority (No. 121885), subscribes to the Lending Code and the Financial Ombudsman Service and is licensed by the Office of Fair Trading (No. 006110). The Co-operative Bank p.l.c., P.O. Box 101, 1 Ballon Street, Manchester M60 4EP. Registered in England and Wales No. 990937. Calls may be monitored or recorded for security and training purposes. For BT customers, calls to 0800 numbers are free. Call charges from other providers may vary and you may wish to check this with your service provider.

FSA threatens to prosecute

All clubs are strongly advised to file their Annual Return and Accounts in a timely manner with the mutuals registration team at the FSA.

The FSA as registrar of mutual societies has the power to prosecute, or cancel the registration of clubs who fail to submit their annual returns and accounts in a timely manner. If the FSA prosecutes your club, the case will be heard in court and will typically result in the club receiving a sizeable fine. This will generate unfavourable publicity for the club and its committee members; further the FSA publicises the successful prosecutions on their public facing web pages. http://www.fsa.gov.uk/pages/doing/small_firms/msr/prosecution.shtml

The FSA are cancelling the registration of hundreds of mutual societies who are in persistent breach of the requirement to file their Annual Return and Accounts in a timely manner. Again, these are publicised on the FSA's public facing web pages.

http://www.fsa.gov.uk/pages/doing/small_firms/msr/cancellations.shtml

There are several implications for deregistered clubs. The club will lose its limited liability status, potentially exposing its officers and members to personal financial risk; so creditors can pursue (individual) members for the debts of the deregistered club. Additionally if the club is an industrial & provident society it will also lose its corporate status. Without this it will not be able to hold property in its own name and would need to appoint trustees. You may require legal advice to both establish a new club and gain title to property. Such a process could prove to be hugely expensive.

To ensure your club is not prosecuted or deregistered the secretary or treasurer must ensure that each year:

1. The club's annual accounts are produced in a timely manner and audited if necessary &
2. The annual return and accounts are filed with the FSA within seven months of the club's financial year end (or sooner if specified by the clubs rules).

While the measures adopted by the FSA may appear severe, the CIU is in full agreement with the FSA on this matter. Namely, it is wholly inappropriate for a club to fail to properly account each year to its membership as to how all monies obtained through subscriptions have been used and provide that information to the FSA. Further where a club has not filed its accounting records with the FSA, it may prove difficult to change bank mandates or obtain loans from financial institutions.

You can download a copy of the annual return form and the information note on completing it for your club from the following web page:

http://www.fsa.gov.uk/doing/small_firms/msr/returns

Please use the following link (to the mutual society public register) to check that your club's details are correctly recorded with the FSA. These details include but are not limited to the club's registered office address.

<https://mutuals.fsa.gov.uk/Search.aspx>

If you have questions on any of the above, you can email the mutuals registration team at: mutual.societies@fsa.gov.uk

Act immediately and find good evidence

Clubs should be prepared to act immediately on suspicions of fraud.

Whether investigations are conducted in-house or by a third party, it is important that the club has a basic understanding of the investigation process and what you can and cannot do.

Many officers and committees have encountered a fraud in their club or have heard stories about fraud in other clubs. Clubs being cash businesses are prone to thefts and the question is what the committee should do when the steward fails to bank £3,000 or the Treasurer fails to bank three months of sundry income.

A range of investigation options are available to clubs:

- in-house investigation
- external investigation by professional advisers/consultants
- police investigation (potentially leading to criminal prosecution).

In the past the first reaction of a committee was to phone the police to start a criminal investigation, More often than not, however, the police take no action because either the investigation is sidelined by a more important crime, there is insufficient evidence or there are just "too many people with their finger in the pie" to bring a successful criminal action.

So a committee has to think carefully which course of action they take. Their responsibility is to "protect the club's assets" and the best course of action is usually to take steps to recover the stolen money and to ensure no further losses occur.

The Fraud Advisory Panel have issued guidance on this subject and they point out that if the police are called you can no longer expect them to do all the work, they do not have the experience or the resources and it will be necessary for the club to provide them with the documented evidence.

ROBERT THOMAS from accountants R H Jeffs & Rowe begins a new series looking at fraud in clubs and what Committees should do about it.

The committee should also consider that criminal action may not be the best course. Law enforcement agencies focus on gaining a criminal conviction not gaining financial redress for the club. Civil action is becoming more common, it is easier to

satisfy the civil burden of proof than the criminal burden of proof, making civil recovery preferable in some cases. Taking civil action does not prevent a separate criminal charge being brought. If there is financial loss the club's auditors should be asked to provide a written report quantifying the loss. The evidence provided by the auditor will stand up much better in court being prepared by an independent person to a professional standard.

Evidence from witnesses should be documented. If the resources are available to the club the statements should ideally be prepared by a solicitor or other person with a background in taking statements. The club may have a member who is a former police officer with experience in taking witness statements for presentation to the courts.

Once the evidence is gathered the perpetrator should be interviewed and presented with the evidence in the hope they have the funds and are willing to repay the club immediately. Failing repayment of the monies owed civil action, perhaps in the small claims court, should be started.

DON'T DO THIS

- allow too many people to know about the allegations before they are investigated.
- make defamatory statements to members at the AGM. To protect the club from a counter claim it may not be possible to tell the members all the facts.
- allow individual officers and staff to confront the suspected fraudsters as this could not only lead to physical danger but also to the destruction of evidence.

DO DO THIS

- consider the immediate actions that need to be taken to preserve evidence and prevent further losses occurring.
- use experienced experts to gather high quality evidence and witness statements.
- evaluate all the costs of civil action both from the club's professional advisors and the court.
- consider the ability of the perpetrator to repay the missing funds.
- follow legislation, specifically employment law if the perpetrator is an employee.
- manage the flow of information about the investigation on a "need to know basis", but be ready to react to internal rumour and/or external enquiry.
- Consider the use of "parallel sanctions" and associated criminal or disciplinary proceedings for employees.

R. H. JEFFS & ROWE

Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors

27/28 Gelliwastad Road,
PONTYPRIDD CF37 2BW

Tel: 01443 402116 ~ Website: www.jeffsrowe.co.uk

We provide a complete service for social clubs that includes:-

- Audit and Assurance services
- Preparation of Accounts
- Advice on manual and computerised accounting systems
- Support for QuickBooks and Quicken users
- Taxation planning
- Full payroll bureau and VAT services
- General advice given

Registered to carry out audit work and regulated for a range of investment activities by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.



Club Journal
Official Journal
of the CIU

253-254 Upper Street,
LONDON N1 1RY.

Telephone: 020 7226 0221
Fax: 020 7354 1847
Email: info@wmciu.org
Website: www.wmciu.org.uk

Personal subscriptions:
£7.50 per year

Editor:
Ken Roberts

Editorial Office:
Powdene Publicity, Unit 17,
St Peter's Wharf,
NEWCASTLE NE6 1TZ.
Telephone: 0191 265 0040
Fax: 0191 275 2609

News: Chris Brewis
Email: cj@powdene.com
Advertising: Mike Lyon
Email: info@powdene.com
Tel: 0191 488 7142

If the correct procedures are followed by the club the chance of success is greatly improved. A key element is the importance of obtaining good quality evidence.

Next month we will look at ways of preventing fraud.

Further information:

www.fraudadvisorypanel.co.uk or
www.actionfraud.co.uk

How to save beer and cash

More Committees have embraced the CellarBright line cleaning system and gained big savings for their clubs. And this month offers a chance of even more savings because the company is offering CIU clubs a 20 per cent discount during January. The CellarBright system was developed in 2009 and has proved not only to be simpler and more cost effective than traditional line cleaning methods but, more importantly, to deliver a better pint. It's proved particularly popular with stewards. Jeff and Julie Golightly (pictured) have been using the system at Glendale WMC near Sunderland for about two years. They said: "At first we were unsure about this technology, however once we started using it and gained confidence it was fantastic. It makes our jobs easier and there is no need to start early or stay late to clean lines. "We had a routine maintenance call recently where I had to revert to the 'old' system for one line clean.....never again, you don't realise how awkward it is until you stop using the system. It is saving our club at least 75 per cent." Lynne Hunter from Hartlepool WMC said: "I think the CellarBright system is a very good system and it's easy to use as it's all connected with a click of a button. Before we



used the system it was hard work and very messy to clean the beer lines. "Once the system was installed, cleaning beer lines was much easier and more hygienic. We have used the system for two and a half years and it has saved us £24,000." Marilyn and Ronnie, Steward and Stewardess at Shotton WMC, Co. Durham said: "We have had the CellarBright system for 18 months. Both of us were dubious about this kit; however, not only has it made our jobs easier, especially after a recent cellar refit it is saving the club thousands of pounds.

"Basically it paid for itself in five months, everything now is a bonus that can be re-invested in the club." CellarBright Managing Director Hance McGhie says: "We are delighted with the responses we have received from stewards and bar managers within the CIU network. We do get some resistance but this proves that if Committees are determined to help the club save money, the club will be a success and will be around for years to come. "A recent installation at The Groby Club near Leicester highlights this. I spoke to them about 18 months ago and after various committee changes, they decided to install the CellarBright unit. "This was the last part in the re-development plan of the club. They have turned it into a family-friendly environment, welcoming both young and older members to join, and have a great selection of beers and food, free wifi, a great website and games facilities. "The CellarBright system will help them achieve savings to keep re-investing in the club." • If you would like to know more about CellarBright and what it can do for your club ring 0800 699 0268 or call Hance direct on 07740367029. In addition, if you order in January you will receive a 20% discount



for clean beer & clear profit!

Do you need to reduce your costs?
Can you really afford to continue pouring beer down the drain?

STOP, READ, CALL FREE

Have you heard of CellarBright?
Have you seen our ad every month in the Club Journal?

Have you nearly picked the phone up to call us?
Are you still wasting thousands on beer wastage each month?

If the answer is one of the above then you seriously need to call us. We have been a National Accounts Company with the CIU for 18 months now and have worked with many social clubs, pubs, hotels and a brewery.

There has never been a time like now, to cut costs in your club, you probably have made many and overlooked the beer wastage due to line cleaning. There will be various reasons for this, mainly the investment costs, well, think again, we have many flexible options to make it affordable, so, call now for a FREE no obligation survey.

Telephone: 0800 699 0268
Email: sales@cellarbright.co.uk
www.cellarbright.co.uk

IF ONLY YOUR WINTER HEATING BILLS WERE AS MUCH FUN AS THIS!



Envtec Services can save your club thousands of pounds on your heating and lighting bills

CLUBS THAT ARE ALREADY SAVING THOUSANDS:

Wadsley Bridge WMC & Institute Saving £18,000

Cannock Social WMC Saving £8,000

Queens Social Club Saving £6,540

Oscott Social Club Saving £6,000

Call **01455 821177** to arrange your **FREE** Energy Survey





Pictured (left to right) are: Nick Mills from Racing UK, Crawcrook Social Club Committee members Michael Thompson, John Pope, Yvonne Hopkinson, John Robinson and Tommy Steel, and Chris Hollins.



Bilton WMC Entertainment Secretary Mike Dinsdale receives the award from Chris Hollins and Sharon Webster of sponsors Heineken.

Pictures courtesy of Club Mirror

Congratulations to our Famous Five

Five CIU clubs have picked up prizes at the recent Club Awards in Manchester.

The Awards, organised by Club Mirror, were presented by Chris Hollins of TV's Watchdog to: Bilton WMC, Harrogate (Most Improved Club); Crawcrook Social Club, Gateshead (Racing Club); Leam Lane WMC, Gateshead (Membership Club); Wolstanton Social Club, Stoke (Darts Club); and Bloxwich Memorial WMC, Walsall (Joint winner, Traditional Club).

As we reported last month **Bilton WMC** turned itself around after Secretary John Wrightson called an Extraordinary Meeting and listening to ideas from its members. The judges commented: "The club has changed direction and mindsets to move into new areas of revenue ultimately turning a large deficit into profit.

"The club has a committed secretary and a motivated Committee and staff, who have worked tirelessly to build new revenue streams as well as working with suppliers to the benefit of the club."

Last year **Wolstanton Social Club** were named as the Most Improved Club and this year they have made that a double top by winning the category for best Darts Club. The club has 11 darts teams and as this issue went to press club member Adrian "Jackpot" Lewis was defending his PDC World Darts title. The judges said the club's record as a darts venue was now becoming "legendary."

The club was on the brink of closure in 2009 when Secretary Shaun Jackson and Assistant Secretary Duncan Cooper took over, installed a large screen TV and changed the club's emphasis to sport.

Crawcrook Social Club, who won the award for Best Racing Club, a category sponsored by Racing UK, are members of the CIU Racing Club and have their own Punters Club. In addition to screening racing by Racing UK they take enthusiasts to meetings across the country and have recently raised £2,000 for a children's charity and Help for Heroes. The punters club would like to thank the Committee, members and all the people that have supported them and made it possible for them to win this award.

Leam Lane WMC, winner of the category for Membership Club, was described by the judges as "a worthy winner, with a steady flow of new members ensuring the continued healthy future of the club." Club Secretary Joan Askew said the club were surprised and delighted with the award. She praised the Committee, who had kept things going in difficult trading conditions with good management and by catering to all types of people.

The judges said they were looking for a club which could show that it had increased membership significantly and was continuously striving to provide members with a safe and appealing place in which to socialise.

Bloxwich Memorial Club was joint winner of the category for



World darts champion Adrian Lewis from the award-winning Wolstanton Social Club has been defending his PDC title. (Picture: Lawrence Lustig/PDC)



Jason Timmins, Duncan Cooper, President Philip Bethel and Lynda Salt from Wolstanton Social are pictured with Martin Green (left) from sponsors Redtooth and Chris Hollins.

Picture courtesy of Club Mirror

Traditional Club, sponsored by the beer quality organisation Cask Marque. The club is a strong family club which Secretary Alan Dudson describes as being like the Rover's Return in Coronation Street with regulars who sit in their usual seats on their regular days at their regular times. Steward and Stewardess Rob and Karen Walker were also picked out as an important part of the club's success.

Neither Bloxwich Memorial or Leam Lane had representatives at the awards, which were held at the Manchester Palace Hotel. They both hope to arrange presentation evenings with the sponsors, Heineken and Cask Marque.

A RURAL GEM WITH A C

They have a clear vision at this club – and so they should – as it must have one of the best views in the whole country. Members can enjoy a drink and a smoke in the club's back garden with a view across the Eden valley to the hills of the North Pennines and on a clear day they can see the Nine Standards, a line of ancient cairns on the skyline that is a favourite for those doing Wainwright's Coast to Coast walk.

The club's own view of how to succeed is no less clear, they have consistently encouraged younger people into the club, sponsoring Kirkby Stephen Football Club and holding discos for teenagers and pre-teens. "If we hadn't got the young people in this club wouldn't exist," says Club Secretary Ronnie Holmes. The club invested in its own disco unit in 1990 and this has proved worth its weight in gold. "It's been great," says President Pat McGuirk. "At one time the club would hold three separate discos on a night: one for children between 7pm and 9pm, a teenagers' disco from 9pm to 11pm, followed by a disco for adults from 11pm to 1am. It was a long shift,

**Club Journal's
Featured Club of the Month:
Kirkby Stephen Sports
& Social Club**

mind."

The club has also invested in a state-of-the art £3,000 jukebox, which has already paid for itself. New songs are downloaded almost instantly from the Internet and it has proved so popular that there are often more young people in the lounge dancing round the pool table than there are in the concert room upstairs. "If a record is released at midnight, by 10 past we'll have it on the jukebox," says Pat.

Kirkby Stephen is a small town but in a strategic spot. As well as being roughly halfway along the Coast to Coast walk it still has a railway station on the scenic Settle to Carlisle line and is also a convenient stopping point for those travelling from the North East to Blackpool and back.

Ronnie has the rare distinction of having served more years on the Committee than the club has been in existence. In 2010 he received his 50-year Certificate although the club itself won't celebrate its 50th anniversary till next year. In what is possibly a unique double he has another 50-year service award, this time from the Football Association, which cites among his achievements starting Kirkby Stephen Junior and Girls FC in 1970.

The football teams use the social club for post-match sandwiches and most players stay to watch the 5.30pm Premiership matches on ESPN. In the 80s it changed its name for the second time to Kirkby Stephen Sports & Social Club and this is the name that features on the club's shirts.

The club was originally going to be a railwaymen's club when its first Committee meetings took place in 1958 as at that time the town had two stations. England's highest railway ran from Kirkby Stephen East Station across Stainmore to Darlington and from nearby Appleby you could catch trains to

HEINEKEN
are pleased to supply
**KIRBY STEPHEN
SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB**

FOSTER'S JOHN SMITH'S STRONGBOW 1664

For orders and enquiries call
FIRSTPOINT 0845 878 7074



Members enjoy a drink below the club's impressive collection of service awards. Below: Bar staff Carol Hallam, Katie Bennett, Kaye Brunskill and Julie Dean are pictured with Steward and Stewardess Peter and Marlene Halstead.

Make your club a winner

Morrison WMC in Swansea are benefiting from the success of Premiership Swansea City.

The club, which is 15 minutes from the Liberty Stadium, has been advertising in our Club Outings section for the last two seasons and has been rewarded with visits from well behaved football fans from all over the country. Some fans of West Bromwich Albion are pictured in a good mood before their 3-1 defeat by the Swans.

If your club is on the way to a football ground or a racecourse, advertise in our Club Outings for as little as £20 a month by contacting Chris Brewis on (0191) 265 0040 or cj@powdene.com



CLEAR VIEW



both Kirkby Stephen West and Kirkby Stephen East. The records of when the club opened as Kirkby Stephen Working Men's Club are a little unclear so the club will celebrate its 50th anniversary next year, though it's now thought it opened in November 1962. After steady growth in what are now seen as the good times of the 60s, expansion took place in the 1970s when the club bought the building next door, Orchard House, which had previously been a girls' boarding school. The building was across an alley way and a crane was brought in to put girders across the gap and create a large concert room spanning both buildings. The room can hold 168 for live entertainment, or 198 for discos, which are the club's preferred option. Downstairs the club has its lounge and a small snug, which is regularly occupied by a group of ladies playing bingo. It doesn't have a bar but this is not a problem as the club's

Kirkby Stephen Sports & Social Club in Melgates, Kirkby Stephen LA17 4QN is part of the Cumbria Branch

Beers: Heineken
Tel: (01768) 372332

Stewardess Marlene Halstead knows what they all like and at half time appears with a tray of drinks. Marlene and her husband Pete have been at the club 10 years are the latest in a line of excellent long-serving stewards, whose part in the club's success the Committee are happy to acknowledge. The Federation Brewery recommended the club's founding Steward Dick Price, who had been working in a big club and wanted to be somewhere smaller. "He was brilliant," says Ronnie. "We weren't experienced and he more or less set up the club and got it going for us." Dick and his wife Elsie stayed for 10 years, and since then the club has also had Pearl and Mick Bibby, who worked for 20 years. Ronnie also describes the current bar staff as "outstanding." With the nearest large town, Penrith, being more than 25 miles away the club does have something of a captive audience. Nevertheless to have 620 members – a third of them women – from a population of only 1,800 is an impressive achievement, and the club really is at the heart of the community. As Ronnie puts it: "This is a rural community and everybody knows everybody, but if anybody does step out of line Marlene sorts them out."



Left: the Nine Standards can be seen from the club's beer garden on a clear day. Above: The Committee (left to right): Paul Stout, Sue Stout, Carol Hallam (who also works behind the bar) Emma Awde, David Marston, Ronnie Holmes, Pat McGuirk, Steven Walton and Ian Lancaster.

The state-of-the-art jukebox, which is positioned next to the club dart board, has led to some lively nights in the concert room, though old time dancing is also still very popular.



The club's name is carried on the shirts of Kirkby Stephen FC, who are pictured with (from right): Club Vice-chairman Paul Stout, Chairman Pat McGuirk, Secretary Ronnie Holmes and Treasurer Steven Walton.

Club hosts a book launch

The Langham Social Club in North London was the venue for a very special book launch. Club historian Ruth Cherrington, who compiled our 150th anniversary supplement last year, chose the club for the launch of her book: "Not Just Beer and Bingo: a Social History of Working Men's Clubs." National President George Dawson and Head Office manager Stephen Goulding attended the event along with several members of the National Executive. Former General Secretary Kevin Smyth and his

wife Yvonne also made the journey down from Northampton along with South East Midlands Branch President Barry Slasberg. "The book has been out a few months now," said Ruth. "But the launch was a celebration of its publication and a tribute to clubs across the country." Ruth thanked everyone who had helped her during her journey researching and writing the book, beginning with her late parents, who first took her into their local club in Coventry as a very small child. She also thanked the CIU, NEC and staff and

Langham Club President Bob Mead for all their help. Signed copies of Ruth's book can be obtained by writing to Ruth Cherrington c/o The CIU, Club Union House, 253/254 Upper Street, London N1 1RY. Enclose a cheque for £14.50 (cost of book plus postage and packaging) made payable to R.L.Cherrington and mark the envelope "BOOK OFFER". You can also buy the book by finding the Club Historians website on Google, or from publishers Authorhouse or Amazon.

Avoid half measures.

Insurance for CIU clubs
Our new specialist insurance for CIU clubs includes a number of updated risk assessment tools. These are designed to help you reduce the risk of a claim, and avoid yearly premium increases.

To make the most of these tools, our experienced Client Managers are on hand to ensure you get the policy that best suits your needs.

Speak to one of our Client Managers today
0845 287 2539
licensedtrades.aon.co.uk

Your Club, Your Insurance

Opening hours Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm. Maximum call charge from a BT landline is 3p per minute. Calls from other networks may vary. Calls may be recorded. CIU Insurance Services is a part of Aon Limited. Aon Limited is authorized and regulated by the Financial Services Authority. Calls may be monitored or recorded. Aon Limited Registered Office, 8 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4PL. Registered No. FP6879.11.2011



Pictures: Paul Glinkowski

Ruth Cherrington is pictured with (left to right): National Executive members Bob Russell, George Dawson (President), Ken Green, Geoff Whewell and Gordon Winn, Stephen Goulding, Barry Slasberg and Kevin Smyth. Below: Ruth signs a copy for Union President George Dawson.



CREATIVE DESIGN · CLUB REFURBISHMENT · COMPETITIVE COSTING

Thames CONTRACTS PLEASE CALL 020 83680045 / info@thamescontracts.com Thames CONTRACTS
Thames Contracts Ltd 707 High Road, London N12 0BT

CIU113



Working Men's Club and Institute Union Limited

253-254 UPPER STREET, ISLINGTON LONDON N1 1RY
TEL: 0207 226 0221 FAX: 0207 354 1847



Club Management Diploma examinations

The exams are about instilling confidence and helping students highlight their strengths in areas of Club Law and Accountancy.

Exam Dates
Club Law - 4th May
Club Accountancy - 18th May

Obtain first place in either section and you will be presented with your Diploma at the Union's Annual Conference in Blackpool.



Cost:

Law Section	£10 refundable deposit
Accountancy Section	£10 refundable deposit
Both Sections	£20 refundable deposit

Further information and examination forms available from Cath Fitzpatrick in the Leisure Department or visit our website

www.wmciu.org.uk

EMAIL: cfitzpatrick@wmciu.org

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS 4th FEBRUARY 2013

WORKING MEN'S CLUB & INSTITUTE UNION LIMITED
253 - 254 Upper Street, London N1 1RY

CMD EXAMINATION

CLUB LAW & ADMINISTRATION 4th MAY 2013

CLUB ACCOUNTANCY 18th MAY 2013

(PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS)

NAME IN FULL: MR/MISS/MRS

.....

CLUB:

BRANCH:

HOME ADDRESS:

.....

..... DAY TEL. NO.

EMAIL:

SUBJECT

CLUB LAW AND ADMINISTRATION YES/NO

CLUB ACCOUNTANCY YES/NO

HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY SAT THE EXAMINATION FOR THE DIPLOMA? YES/NO IF YES

A) IN WHAT YEAR?..... B) WHAT WAS THE RESULT?.....

Please complete and return by 4th of February 2013, in an envelope marked 'CMD EXAM' enclosing the appropriate examination deposit.

Make more money with a Dransfields B3A Machine!



Exclusive to private members clubs

Did you know that a category B3A machine is exempt from all taxes?

- NO VAT TO PAY
- NO LICENCE DUTY
- GUARANTEED NO-RISK TRIAL!
- £500 TOP PRIZE
Compete with the bookmakers' machines!
- PROVEN EARNING RECORD
B3A machines are earning tax-free profits for clubs all around the UK.

GUARANTEED RAPID RESPONSE SERVICE FROM LOCAL DEPOTS - WHEREVER YOU ARE!



Call us now on
0845 094 1495



Dransfields
LOCAL SERVICE, NATIONAL STRENGTH
www.dransfields.com

Recommended supplier to the Club & Institute Union, Association of Conservative Clubs, National Union of Labour & Socialist Clubs, National Association of Railway Clubs.

CLUB OUTINGS . . . CLUB OUTINGS

BLACKPOOL & LANCASHIRE

BLACKPOOL No. 1 WORKING MEN'S CLUB & INSTITUTE

9-17 Bloomfield Road, Blackpool FY1 6DH. Tel: (01253) 343 508
 Extends a warm welcome to all CIU associates and bona-fide guests.
 ★ FREE ENTERTAINMENT ★
 7 nights throughout the summer season (weekends winter).
 Change of artists nightly.
 Coach parties welcome.

CONTACT THE SECRETARY IN WRITING

BLACKPOOL ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CLUB

33-38 King Street, Blackpool FY1 3EJ.
 Enjoy your visit with us at the club.
 Good all-round entertainment.
 Bookings for coach parties accepted.
 Room available for hire.
 Sec: Mr K Teasdale or Treasurer Mrs R Thomas
 Club: (01253) 626 308; Office: (01253) 290 322
www.blackpoolrbl.co.uk
 email: blackpoolbritishlegion@gmail.com

BLACKPOOL LMS SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

Back Ribble Road, Blackpool FY1 4AB
 Tel: (01253) 625040
 A warm welcome to all CIU members and bona fide guests. Free entertainment, bingo, super-5, raffle and Find the Joker.
 Coach parties welcome. Room available to hire.
 Children over the age of 3 are allowed in the club.

You've been to the rest - now visit the best!

Voted the best club in the North West on TV's "The One Show".

BLOOMFIELD CLUB & INSTITUTE

128 Bloomfield Road, Blackpool FY1 6JW
 Free entertainment seven nights a week along with your favourite games
 • Bingo • Tote • Supa5.
 The club is on one level with disabled toilet facilities. Coach parties and football fans welcome.

Contact Secretary on (01253) 344583

Brunswick WMC Bethesda Road, Blackpool.

Telephone: (01253) 627 508
 Coach parties welcome, also parking available.
 Entertainment 7 nights, comedians at weekends throughout the summer season. 2 large TV screens, cold food available. All branded doubles on offer. Smoking area at rear in beer garden.
 Wheelchair friendly. No beer increases for visitors.
 Contact Billy Hill, Club Secretary.

GOING TO THE RACES? Why not try BURNLEY MINERS WMSOC As seen on TV

2 minutes from the Town Centre and Turf Moor.
 Entertainment Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
 Coach parties by appointment.
 Breakfast and/or evening meal.
 Tel: Bar (01282) 422 791 or Office (01282) 835 429

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

KNOTT END WORKING MEN'S CLUB

Offers a great welcome to CIU members and parties. Why not try
 • a visit to the seaside • a ferry ride to Fleetwood
 • a bowling green competition
 or just our good food and entertainment.
 SALISBURY AVENUE, KNOTT END-ON-SEA, LANCs.
 Office telephone (01253) 810362
 Tel: Secretary Mrs Karen Bradford for dates and details (01253) 812 226

ROSEGROVE UNITY Working Men's Club

Holme Lodge, Rosendale Road, Burnley, Lancs, BB11 5DL.
 Situated 2 minutes from Junction 9 on M65.
 Large car parking space available.
 Entertainment Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
 Bookings must give 14 days' notice.
 contact Secretary on 01282 431 363 or e-mail rosegrove20@gmail.com

BRIGHTON & SUSSEX

Eastbourne & District Trade Union Club & Institute Ltd.

Clapham House, 48 Seaside, Eastbourne, East Sussex BN22 7OL.
 A warm welcome is guaranteed to all CIU associates and guests. A good selection of reasonably priced beers and spirits available. Temporary membership can be arranged at the door for all holiday makers. Large groups or coach parties are welcome with prior arrangements. Situated 5 minutes walk from the beach. Please contact secretary on (01323) 727703.

EASTBOURNE WORKING MEN'S CLUB

102/104 Fife Road, Eastbourne BN22 8ET.
 Tel: (01323) 723322
 Email: eastbournemwc@googlegmail.com
www.eastbourneworkingmensclub.co.uk
 Visit the one and only workers' club in our lovely South Coast town. We have live music, raffles, bingo, darts, snooker and pool.
 See our website for coming events.
 A warm welcome to CIU members all year round.

Littlehampton Trades & Labour Club

Wick Street, Wick, Littlehampton BN17 7JH. Telephone (01903) 714 054
 A warm welcome awaits all visitors. Facilities include darts, crib and Sky TV. Catering for private parties can be arranged (14 days' notice please). Live entertainment every Saturday.
 Coach parties welcome with prior notice, please contact the Secretary.

ESSEX & EAST ANGLIA

HUNSTANTON (NORFOLK) UNITED SERVICES SOCIAL CLUB

A warm welcome to all visitors. Large enclosed garden and car park with sea views. Three snooker tables, also pool table and darts. Bingo Mondays and Thursdays and one game Saturday evening. Live weekend entertainment. Catering arranged on request. Disabled friendly. Close to Sandringham Royal Estate, Coaches welcome midweek.
 Contact Club Steward on (01485) 533360.

Naval & Military Club (Southend-on-Sea) 20 Royal Terrace, Southend SS1 1DU.

Tel: (01702) 347169
 A warm and friendly welcome awaits you. Large rear garden and roof terrace with fantastic views overlooking the seafront and estuary. Live entertainment Saturday nights and Wednesday afternoons. Hot and Cold Food available every day of the week. Local Real Ale Club of the Year. Coach parties welcome but must contact the Steward, Kevin Arkin prior to the visit.

Walton-on-Naze RBL Club

Vicarage Lane (off High Street). (01255) 674 153
 Visiting the seaside? A warm welcome and friendly atmosphere - two minutes from beach front.
 Live entertainment at weekends - sing-a-long Thursday afternoons - large screen TVs - pool - darts. Good range of drinks and bar snacks available. New membership available - CIU and RBL affiliated.
 Coach parties welcome! Contact Secretary

HAMPSHIRE & ISLE OF WIGHT

Lindford & District Working Men's Club

Liphook Road, Lindford, Bordon, Hampshire GU35 0PN. Telephone: (01420) 472 228
 A warm welcome is extended to all Associate Members. Only stipulation is children under five years old must leave the club by 9pm. Just off the A325 road between Farnham and Petersfield. So why not call in on your way to and from the south coast. Please give the Secretary 14 days' notice of party visits.

Newport (I.W.) Social Club

13-14 Lower St James Street, Newport, Isle of Wight PO30 5HB. Tel: (01983) 527 291
 Situated in the centre of town, with a warm friendly atmosphere where you can bring family and friends. Open all day, function room, snooker room, darts, pool and jukebox. Kitchen now open 7 days a week for hot and cold food. Coach parties always welcome by prior arrangement.

COWES COMBINED SERVICES & SOCIAL CLUB

85 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight PO31 7AJ.
 A warm and friendly welcome is extended to all visitors. Situated on the sea front with panoramic sea views from the stage dining area, the club has one of the best views in the country. Ideal for parties and outings. Freshly prepared meals available 7 days a week. Disabled facilities. Coach parties very welcome, please notify Secretary or bar manager in advance. Entertainment Friday and Saturday evenings.
 Tel: (01983) 292921 email: rblcowes@onwight.net

HEREFORD & WORCESTERSHIRE

Hereford Welsh Social Club

1 Hinton Road, Hereford, HR2 6BL.
 Tel: (01432) 269038/285974.

Email: herefordwelshclub@hotmail.co.uk

A friendly welcome is extended to all Associate Members. Live Entertainment every Saturday evening.

Hot and cold food available. Coaches welcome (please contact Secretary prior to your visit).

Please visit our website: www.herefordwelshsocialclub.co.uk
 "Hereford's most popular social club"

(HEREFORD) RICHMOND PLACE CLUB

69/71 EDGAR STREET, HEREFORD HR4 9JP
 A warm and friendly welcome to all associates, whether you are visiting for the races, football or just passing through. Live entertainment every Saturday.
 Sunday-Country & Western/Swing and Jive. Restaurant with hot and cold food available/Sunday lunches (Book in advance) Disabled facilities, Real Ales.
 Coach parties very welcome.
 Contact Secretary, Les Walker on (01432) 356 529.

KENT

BEXLEYHEATH WMC

Royal Oak Road, Bexleyheath. DA6 7HG
 Telephone (0208) 303 2163
 Friendly atmosphere, comfortable surroundings and an excellent range of beers to quench your thirst. Everything you require on your visit to Bluewater and Lakeside shopping centres.
 Refreshments available.
 (Please give advance notice).

SOUTHBOROUGH MEN'S CLUB

Forge Road, Southborough, Tunbridge Wells TN4 0EX.
 Tel: (01892) 529 304; Office: (01892) 523 832
 A warm and friendly welcome is extended to all Associate members and guests. Ideal for parties and outings from the coast, we have frequent live entertainment on Saturdays, bingo on Wednesdays and Sundays. Sky TV, snooker and pool. Club open all day Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Coach parties and catering by arrangement.

SUNDRIDGE PARK WMC

134 BURNT ASH LANE, BROMLEY.
 Tel: (020) 8464 3638 (Office); (020) 8460 6348 (Club)
 Located close to A21 and A20. A warm welcome is extended to all visitors. Two bars serving a wide range of drinks. TV in bar and the lounge. Purpose-built snooker room with four tables. Live entertainment Saturday and Sunday evenings. Coach parties by prior arrangement with the office.

Wainscott Institute (WMC)

4 Wainscott Road, Wainscott, Rochester, Kent ME2 4LB.
 Tel: (01634) 717 464
 A warm welcome is extended to all CIU associates. Live music & bingo on a Saturday night. A range of facilities including snooker, pool & darts. We welcome coach parties by prior arrangement with the steward. Buffet refreshments can be arranged. We are close to all the motorways via the Medway towns.
 CHILDREN ARE WELCOME.

LEEDS & WEST YORKSHIRE

Visiting Blackpool or Yorkshire Coast? Haydock Park or York Races?

Then call at: Elland Working Men's Club Roseberry Street, Elland, West Yorkshire HX5 0HT
 For your breakfast on the outward journey. And for an evening's splendid entertainment on your way home. We are only 2 miles from Junction 24, M62 on the A629. A warm welcome extended to all Associate Members. Live entertainment on Saturday and Sunday evenings. Dancing on Thursdays to our resident organist. Fully modernised Concert Room and Lounge. Excellent Games Room. Floodlit Bowling Green. Large Car Park. Coach Parties welcome - please let us have 14 days' notice in writing to the Secretary Steve Graydon. Tel: Club (01422) 373 023. www.ellandwmc.web.com
 Telephone pre-bookings to be confirmed in writing to the Secretary.

Belle Isle WMC

Belle Isle Road, Leeds LS10 3PE.
 Warm and friendly club with large car park, good value beer and large concert room. Live bands Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Coaches welcome.
 Contact Secretary on (0113) 2718 768.

SWARCLIFFE WORKING MEN'S CLUB

Swarcliffe Avenue, Leeds LS14 5DE
 A warm and friendly welcome always assured in the comfortable surroundings of our recently refurbished club. Live entertainment every Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening. Relax in the quiet of the lounge or try a game of snooker on one of our three superb tables.
 Big screen Sky Sports TV.
 Planning a day at the races?
 York, Wetherby, Ripon.
 We are 2 minutes from the A64 and 5 minutes from the M1. Breakfast and evening meals for large parties available by appointment.
 Contact: Glen Doyle (Secretary)
 (0113) 2959100

LEICESTER & EAST MIDLANDS

Nottingham Oddfellows Club

89 Humberstone Gate, Leicester.
 TELEPHONE: (0116) 262 0181
 262 5404 (Evenings) - CIU Affiliated

- ★ City Centre Club
 - ★ Coach park right outside premises
 - ★ 2 minutes from centre of Leicester
- Coach parties and parties always welcome. Food supplied hot or cold - 7 days' notice or please phone prior to visit. Children welcome. Dances Monday, Tuesday and Friday.
 Entertainment available.
 Phone or write to Secretary Eric Johnson

CLUB OUTINGS . . . CLUB OUTINGS

NEW PARKS SOCIAL CLUB & INSTITUTE LIMITED

Battersbee Road, Leicester LE3 9LD
All coach parties welcome, with 14 days' notice to the secretary. Fully air conditioned large concert room. Hot and Cold Food available. Sky TV shown on big screen in the games room. Children allowed Friday and Saturday nights. If you have any questions please contact the secretary on Telephone (0116) 2333 305 or Fax (0116) 2333 303.

SAFFRON LANE ESTATE WMC

429 SAFFRON LANE, LEICESTER, LE2 6UF
Welcomes all CIU members to our friendly club here in Leicester. Only 5 minutes from the M1 junction 21 and close to the racecourse and the football, rugby and cricket stadiums.
Clean, comfortable and fully air-conditioned. Please visit our website where you will find details of all our facilities and activities.
www.saffronianewmc.co.uk

SKEGNESS EX-SERVICE CLUB

2 Grand Parade, Skegness, PE25 2UN.
Telephone: (01754) 762113
Located on the seafrost near the clocktower, 2-3 mins from town centre. Lounge bar, pool/children's room, 1st floor patio area. Reasonably priced beers/lagers and house doubles. Selection of chilled baps. Live entertainment every Saturday (Sundays main season). Open 11.30-11.30 most days. Pre-booked coaches welcome - come to a completely refurbished 21st century club.

LONDON

CRICKLEWOOD TRADES HALL CLUB

134 CRICKLEWOOD LANE LONDON NW2 2DP
TEL:(020) 8452 8614
A WARM WELCOME TO ALL AFFILIATED MEMBERS. COACH PARTIES WELCOME BY PRIOR ARRANGEMENT. 5 MINUTES FROM WEMBLEY STADIUM AND 2 MINUTES FROM BRENT CROSS SHOPPING CENTRE. LIVE BANDS AND BINGO ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY NIGHTS. CONCERT HALL AVAILABLE FOR HIRE.

DONE OUR BIT EX-SERVICEMEN'S CLUB

128A MAYGROVE ROAD, LONDON NW6.
OFFICE: (020) 7624 3701; CLUB: (020) 7624 3603
Coach Parties welcome by appointment with the Secretary. Entertainment Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Food by arrangement. 15 minutes from Wembley Stadium. 10 minutes from West End. No children under 16 on Saturday.

THE HAMMERSMITH CLUB

Rutland Grove, London W6 9DH
10 mins' walk from Fulham FC and less than 25 mins by local transport to Chelsea and QPR. A warm and friendly welcome to away fans looking for good hospitality and a relaxing drink. Also 20 mins to Westfield, Europe's largest shopping centre and 30 mins to West End theatres. Contact us on (020) 8748 5760 or visit www.hammersmithclub.net

HARROW ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Northolt Road, South Harrow HA2 0DW.
Extends a warm welcome to all Associate members and guests. Situated 10 minutes from the A40 and 20 minutes from Wembley Stadium. We have live bands every Saturday and Sunday night. Catering on request. Coach parties welcome with prior notification to Kath or Roy Roberts. Telephone: (020) 8422 1222.

Hayes WMC

Pump Lane, Hayes, Middlesex UB3 3NB.
Telephone: (020) 8573 1721
e-mail: 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 for our full entertainment programme. Coaches welcome by prior arrangement with the secretary.

ISLEWORTH CLUB

Goodenough House, 109 St John's Road, Isleworth, Middlesex TW7 6PN. Telephone: (020) 8560 2569
We are good enough - are you?
5 minutes from Twickenham Rugby and only 15 minutes from Kempton and Sandown. Call in on your way and give us a try. Pick your winners from our varied selection of popular beers which are available in either our large Concert Room or Lounge. Close to the M4 and M3. Please give prior notice for parties. Coach parties are welcome.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION TWICKENHAM

95 Popes Grove, Twickenham TW1 4JT
Coming to Twickenham then why not visit the RBL Twickenham?
For opening times and food offerings visit our website. All are welcome at our friendly popular club. For coaches and large groups please telephone or email in advance.
Tel: (020) 8892 6728 Email: rbltwickenham@hotmail.co.uk www.rbltwickenham.com/ll.com

WATFORD EX-SERVICES CLUB

12/14 St Albans Road, Watford, Herts WD17 1BN
Near junction 5 or 6 M1. Short walk from Metropolitan Line or Watford Junction, 25-30 mins from Wembley. Music every Saturday night and food served from 12pm to 8pm 7 days a week. Live football on big screen, pool table, dartboards, quiz night every Friday. Coach parties welcome by prior arrangement. Contact Alf Jobson Secretary www.watfordexservices.co.uk - (01923) 236687

Wealdstone Social Club

Railway Approach, Harrow, HA3 5BX.
Tel: (020) 8427 3334
www.wealdstonesocialclub.t83.net
email: secretarywsc@btconnect.com
For 15 min connection to WEMBLEY STADIUM. Coach parties welcome. Free parking evenings/weekends. Please arrange with Secretary for bookings. Function Hall available for private parties.

MANCHESTER & CHESHIRE

Sale Excelsior WMC

2 Symons Road, Sale M33 7FJ
Friendly club handy for Old Trafford and Etihad Stadiums. Sky Television Live entertainments at weekends
Mini-coaches welcome
Snacks can be arranged
0161 973 4920

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE & CAMBRIDGESHIRE

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

SHEFFIELD & SOUTH YORKSHIRE

ARMTHORPE CORONATION CLUB

Tranmoor Lane, Armthorpe, Doncaster DN3 3BS.
Handy for racecourse and Doncaster Rovers. Close to M18. Big screen TV, entertainment every weekend.
Ring Club Secretary Alan Jones on (01302) 831 393

Arundel Ex-Servicemen's Club

City Road, Sheffield
A friendly Club close to Town Centre Facilities include a 500 seat Concert Room, two other lounges and a Games Room. Great Cabaret every night except Tuesday and Wednesday. Coach parties please contact Mr B. Simmonite. Children allowed up to 10 years Catering for Buffet if required.
Telephone: (0114) 239 7151

CARCROFT VILLAGE WMC

Chestnut Avenue Carcroft, Doncaster DN6 BAG
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 Sky TV and premier football. All enquiries to John Oldroyd, Secretary on (01302) 725 497. www.carcroftvillagewmc.org.uk

Hawthorn Recreational & Social Club

Goodison Boulevard, Cantley, Doncaster. Tel: (01302) 535 995
Easily accessible for the Racecourse. Big screen Sky TV. Artistes on Saturdays.

INTAKE SOCIAL CLUB

Craithie Road, Doncaster DN2 5EG.
We are the closest club (5 minutes' walk) to Doncaster Racecourse. (See Page 19 for offers). Bar snacks available. Tremendous value-for-money bar prices.
Contact Secretary Tom Forester in advance on: (01302) 320 036 or email intakesocialclub@yahoo.co.uk

SURREY

EGHAM UNITED SERVICES CLUB

111 Spring Rise, Egham, Surrey TW20 9PE.
"North Surrey CAMRA Club of the Year 2008 & 2009"
"Finalist for CAMRA Club of the Year 2009"
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
Tel: (01784) 435120 or (07738) 714572
(Real Ale Festivals and Party Bars also arranged)

DAY OUT RACING ESHER W.M.C.

142 Esher High Street, Esher, Surrey.
Telephone: (01372) 467 758
Sandown Race Course within walking distance. Kempton Park and Epsom also nearby.
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

THE ASHTON CLUB

24A SHEEP STREET, BICESTER, OXON
A friendly welcome is extended to all. Snooker, pool, darts, darts, bingo, Sky TV, functions etc. Coach parties welcome, 40 mins from Newbury, Towcester racecourses, 5 mins from Bicester village shopping centre, and 5 mins from J9 M40.
Open all day. For more information please call the manager on (01869) 252160

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

COWBRIDGE ROAD WEST, ELY, CARDIFF CF5 5BY.
A very friendly welcome to CIU Associates and their families from CARDIFF'S PREMIER SOCIAL CLUB.
10 minutes from M4.
15 minutes to city centre. Millennium Stadium, Cardiff International Arena, St. David's Hall/Centre, Cardiff Bay.
Live entertainment every Saturday Night with Bingo/Raffle/Tote/Disco
FULL SKY SPORTS/RACING UK
Hot and cold food available.
COACH PARTIES MOST WELCOME.
Telephone: (029) 2059 4004

Bettws Social Club

Lambourne Way, Bettws, Newport, Gwent.
A warm friendly welcome assured to all CIU affiliated members and guests.
Less than 10 minutes from junction 26 of the M4. Coach parties welcome by prior appointment. Live entertainment every Saturday evening. Catering can be provided by arrangement. Tel: (01633) 858 780.

Going to Premiership Swansea City or racing at Ffos Las? Visit MORRISTON WMC

11 Slate Street, Swansea SA6 8AA.
A friendly club which makes visitors welcome. Liberty Stadium 15 minutes, Ffos Las 45 minutes, Ospreys 15 minutes. 10 minutes from M4 Junction 45. Coach parties welcome with advance notice.
Ring (01792) 771580

Rogerstone and Bassaleg Social Club

1 Tregwilym Road, Rogerstone, Newport NP10 9DW.
A warm friendly welcome assured to all CIU affiliates and guests, less than 10 minutes from junction 27 of the M4. Coach parties welcome by prior appointment, live entertainment every Saturday evening.
Telephone: (01633) 893 508.

WARWICKSHIRE & COVENTRY

BEDWORTH EX-SERVICEMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB & INSTITUTE

Rye Piece, Bedworth, Nr. Nuneaton, Warwickshire. Tel: (024) 7631 3236
Extends a warm welcome to all associates. Restaurant facilities Monday to Saturday - Bar snacks also available. 6 minutes from junction 3 of M6. Approx. 5 miles to Coventry City. Saturday/Sunday night entertainment, live music, bingo, bar and lounge. Contact Secretary for bookings.

Willenhall Social Club

Robin Hood Road, Coventry CV3 3BB. Secretary: (024) 7630 1222 or 7630 3278.
Welcome to all Associate Members. Entertainment every Saturday and Sunday night in concert room (seats 600). Bar, games room and luxury lounge facilities. Large car park. Hot and cold snacks available. 10 minutes from City Centre. No Children Allowed. Coach parties apply to Secretary.

HEN LANE SOCIAL CLUB

Beacon Road, Holbrooks, Coventry CV6 4DS.
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.

CLUB OUTINGS . . . CLUB OUTINGS

UNICORN SOCIAL CLUB

Holbrook Lane, Coventry CV6 4DE. (5 mins from M6 J3)
Just 15 minutes' walk from the Ricoh Arena, home of Coventry City Football Club. Excellent function room and facilities including games room and bar with large screen satellite TV. Modern air-conditioned facility with live music every Saturday evening and hot and cold food available. Prior notice required for coach parties, including official supporters' clubs. Please contact the Secretary at: unicorncoventry@yahoo.com or by telephone on (024)76 684741

WEST COUNTRY

Poole Labour Club

22 Wimborne Road, Poole, Dorset
Tel: (01202) 674 059 / 686 256
Offers the 3 S's to all affiliated members, Sea, Sand and Speedway! Centre of Poole, 20 minutes from Bournemouth, 2 minutes from Poole Stadium for Speedway and Greyhound Racing. Good beer, warm welcome, open all day. Entertainment on Saturday nights, Tuesday Tea Dances, Darts, Skittles, Snooker, Pool and Dominoes games can be arranged. Certain restrictions apply to children. Contact Secretary for details.

WESTON-SUPER-MARE WMC

Orchard Street, Weston-super-Mare.
Telephone: (01934) 418 202

A warm welcome is extended to Associates and their families in Weston's premier club. Situated in the town centre and close to the sea front.

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

MITCHELL STREET, WEYMOUTH,
(Harbour End Of Town)

Less than 5 minutes from the beach!
We welcome all CIU affiliated members. Music Friday & Saturday evenings, with Bingo fliers on these nights. Plus the usual club activities. Restaurant now open.
Tel: (01305) 786 392 or (01305) 787254
www.weymouthworkies.co.uk

Passing through the Cotswolds?
Then why not visit

Wotton Hall Club Ltd.

138 Barnwood Road, Gloucester
- We welcome all Associate Members -
Bar, Lounge, Ballroom and Games Room. Dancing every Saturday. Restaurant facilities and basket meals available. 14 days' notice required.
Telephone: Secretary (01452) 610 025
9.00 am - 1.00 pm Monday - Friday

WEST MIDLANDS & BIRMINGHAM

Alvechurch SPORTS & SOCIAL Club

The Square, Alvechurch,
Near Birmingham B48 7LD.
A friendly welcome to all Associate Members. Weekend entertainment and comfortable surroundings, also food available. Close to M42 and M5 in a picturesque part of the countryside. Contact: A. Morrison, Secretary on (0121) 445 2121. Large parties please notify 14 days in advance.

REMEMBRANCE CLUB LTD.

10 CHESTER ROAD, CASTLE BROMWICH,
BIRMINGHAM B36 9DD
Extends a warm welcome to all Associate Members. Live entertainment every Saturday and Sunday evening. Line Dancing Mondays. Ballroom Dancing Tuesdays. Large comfortable lounge. Games Room. Ample parking. Close to M6/M42
(nr. Spaghetti Junction). Coaches by arrangement. Contact the Secretary. (0121) 747 5256 / 747 2943

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:
http://www.yardleywoodsocialclub.com/
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.

YORKS (N & E) & NORTH EAST

BLAKELAW & DISTRICT SOCIAL CLUB

6 Cragston Way, Newcastle NE5 3SW.
Friendly club on northern edge of Newcastle. Handy for A1, Racecourse and St James' Park. Coach parties welcome. Food can also be arranged.
Contact Secretary Alan Campbell on (07986) 706354 or blakelawsc@googlemail.com

BEECHWOOD, EASTERSIDE & DISTRICT SOCIAL CLUB

Broadwell Road, Easterside,
Middlesbrough TS4 3PP.
(Opposite The James Cook University Hospital)
Live music every night with bingo, totes and raffles. Large bar with 4 snooker and 2 pool tables, 2 dart boards and all Sky sports channels. Two smoking areas with heated Beach Huts. Coach parties welcome with prior notice to The Secretary. Tel: (01642) 318789. Check the website it's all on there,
www.beadsclub.co.uk

CENTRAL WMC

7 Beaumont Street, Darlington
Tel: (01325) 464054
Situating near town centre, five minutes from A1(M). Associate members and coach parties are welcome as are football and racing followers. Please give prior notice.
Live entertainment and catering by private arrangement. Room available for birthdays, engagement parties, wakes and weddings.

King Street Social Club

Phoenix House, 27 King Street,
North Shields NE30 1BZ.
Telephone: (0191) 2900473.
Situating on the main road from North Shields to the coast. Main bingo sessions are Tuesday and Friday evenings and Sunday morning. Top class live entertainment every weekend supported by resident band "Soul Machine".
Coach parties welcome with prior notification to the Secretary David Farrell. Telephone (0191) 2900474.

Middlesbrough RAOB Club (The Buffs)

51 Wilton Street, Southfield Road, Town Centre
A19-A66 2 minutes. Redcar races, 10 minutes. Middlesbrough FC 5 minutes. Games Room, TV Lounge and Lounge. Live entertainment Saturday and Sunday. Disco Wednesday and Friday. 50/50 Dancing Tuesday and Thursday. A warm welcome to all affiliated members including coach parties with prior notice to the Secretary. Telephone: (01642) 860 511.

New York Club & Institute Limited

22-26 Blossom Street, York YO24 1AJ.
Tel: (01904) 612 244 newyorkclub@btconnect.com
Secretary: Frank A. Healy BA HND CMD
300 yards from station on way to racecourse. Warm and friendly welcome to all Associate Members and guests. A great place to call into before or after your visit to York. Beer garden and 42" screen with Sky TV. Parties and buffet-style catering by prior arrangement.

Northallerton & District WMC

Elder Road, Northallerton, DL6 1NH.
Tel: (01609) 772390
Email: Northallertonwmc@hotmail.co.uk
Situating in the picturesque county town of North Yorkshire, with easy access to A19 and the A1, we extend a warm welcome to CIU associates. Only 15 mins from Catterick, Ripon and Thirsk racecourses. Racing and football channels showing on four TVs. Live entertainment and bingo Saturdays and Sundays.

North Biddick Social Club

Bonemill Lane, Fatfield, Washington NE38 8AN.
Excellent riverside location. Five minutes from A1(M) with excellent car/coach parking facilities. Games room with 2 snooker tables and 2 pool tables. Restaurant facilities and buffets catered for. Why not call on your way to see football games or cricket games in the area? Coaches welcome by prior arrangement with Secretary Michael Normile on
(0191) 416 0148
Why not visit our website at
www.northbiddickclub.co.uk

OSBORNE WMC

Osborne Road, Chester-le-Street,
County Durham DH3 3DS.
200 yards from the station and short walk to the Riverside Cricket Ground. Evening car and coach parking facilities. Live entertainment every Saturday night. A great place to call in after your day at the races. Bingo Mondays and Fridays.
Just give us a ring on (0191) 388 8679.

POPPLETON ROAD WMC

132 Poppleton Road, York YO26 4UP
(01904) 793398
A warm friendly welcome assured to all CIU affiliates and guests. Wide selection of beers available, ideal for the races and close to the city centre. Bingo and raffle Fridays. Live entertainment and bingo, Saturdays and Sundays.

SPITAL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Jubilee Centre, Highcliffe, Spittal,
Berwick-upon-Tweed TD15 2JL.
A warm welcome to all. Five minutes from the A1, 30 minutes from Kelso Races, cabaret every Saturday evening. A spectacular evening once every month. Bingo Friday, Sunday and Monday nights. Coach parties welcome.
Ring Treasurer Carol Lynn in advance on (01289) 305 597.

City of York Tramways Employees'

- Club and Institute -
1 Mill Street (off Piccadilly), York YO1 1PY.
5 minutes from town centre
Entertainments Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Prize games. Concert room (seating 275), Games Room, Bar and live Sky Sports TV. Visiting Associates are welcome. Parties by arrangement.
Telephone: (01904) 623 953.



FOR SERVICE



Centenary Award

Annitsford Pioneer Club,
Northumberland

Distinguished Service Award

John Bellamy, Barnby Dun Social Club, **Doncaster**
Kenneth Charles Hunt, South Wigston WMC, **Leicestershire**
Brian Albert Vann, South Wigston WMC, **Leicestershire**

Long Service Award

Dave Jordan, Monson Road WMC, **South East Met**
John Bellamy, Barnby Dun Social Club, **Doncaster**
Thomas Elliott, New Hesledon SC, **Durham**
Thomas Lambert, Jarrow Ex-Service Club, **Durham**
David Halliday, Netherpton SC, **Northumberland**

Certificate of Merit

Trevor Wright, Hill Park Memorial WMC, **Wessex**
Michael William Davis, New Parks SC, **Leicestershire**
Malcolm John Williams, Haslington Cosey SC, **North Staffs**
Elenor Fisher, Haslington Cosey SC, **North Staffs**
Ellen Brooks, Newcastle Labour Club, **Northumberland**
Ronald Duffy, Cramlington SC, **Northumberland**
Kevin Bowman, Guide Post SC, **Northumberland**
Dennis Stanfield, Bournbrook & Selly Oak Club, **West Midland**
Tony Bartram, Bournbrook & Selly Oak Club, **West Midland**
Stephen Cottam, Mill Hill WMC, **Manchester**
Frederick Jee, Aveley Village SC Ltd, **North East Met**

John Cobb, Aveley Village SC Ltd, **North East Met**
Benjamin Maney, Aveley Village SC, **North East Met**
David Feltham, Aveley Village SC, **North East Met**
Jeffrey Bourke, Carcroft Village Club, **Doncaster**
David Hassall, South Wigston WMC, **Leicestershire**
Dave Edgar Walter Morris, South Wigston WMC, **Leicestershire**
John Alexander, South Wigston WMC, **Leicestershire**
Frederick Toone, South Wigston WMC, **Leicestershire**
Alan Williams, Cobridge Coronation Club, **North Staffs**
Leslie Hedley, Newcastle Labour Club, **Northumberland**
David Fallon, Monk Bretton WMC, **South Yorkshire**

To advertise contact
CHRIS BREWIS
on (0191) 265 0040 or email: cj@powdene.com

You've got to be joking!

Congratulations to the five winners of our "Comedians" joke competition. Each wins a DVD of The Original Comedians Live 40th Anniversary Show from FremantleMedia Home Entertainment, signed by Roy Walker.

The DVD features Roy and three other stand-up comics from the 70s hit show – Stan Boardman, Duggie Brown and Mick Miller – as well as interviews and clips of Frank Carson, Jim Bowen and Bernard Manning among others.

The winners were:

"I bought new double glazing for the whole house a few months ago and it's almost paid for itself... the kids can't hear the ice cream van any more."

John Hope, Longbridge Social Club, Birmingham

"I phoned the local ramblers club today, but the bloke who answered just went on, and on, and on..."

Brian Brierley, Common Road WMC, Batley, West Yorks.

It's Christmas Eve and snow is falling. Good King Wenceslas is sitting by the fire and he says to his page: "Go out and get me a pizza, I'm starving. "

The page replies: "How would you like it, sire?"

The King gets up, looks out the window and says: "Deep pan crisp and even "

George Henderson, Sunnyside Social Club, Gateshead

A policeman stops a motorist after seeing him driving several times round a roundabout and asks what he's doing. "I'm going for a spin." he says.

John Vaughan, Hen Lane Club, Coventry.

Our first prize winner George Huntley Mid Rhondda Central Club, also receives a goodie bag, which includes an LP of the original show:

A man goes to the doctor's and the doctor says to him: "Sorry, Mr Williams, but I have to inform you that you have a disease called yellow 24 because it turns your blood yellow and you only have 24 hours to live."

He goes home and tells his wife he'd like to spend his last evening at the club. When the bingo comes on he wins the first house for £50, the second house for £60, and so on until the main prize of the evening, the national jackpot for £250,000.

The chairman invites him on the stage and says "I've never met anyone so lucky in my life."

"Lucky," he screams, "I'll have you know that I've got yellow 24."

"Oh my God," says the Chairman. "You've won the raffle as well."

CLUB NOTICES

Expulsions

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

Mr Ken Smith, Cwmfelinfach WMC, Monmouthshire Branch
Mrs Amanda Jones, Cwmfelinfach WMC, Monmouthshire Branch

Suspensions Expiring on Dates Mentioned

Mr D Chapman (No. 58) Blackhill & District Comrades, Co. Durham (13th April 2013)

Clubs Closed

Seaton Town Social Club (Western Counties Branch)

Club Admitted into Membership of the Union

The Royston Club
12 College Road, St. Albans, Herts. AL1 5ND (North West Met Branch)

Clubs Applying for Membership of the Union

Jarrow Neon Social Club
Nairn Street, Jarrow, Tyne and Wear NE32 4HX (Durham Branch)
Harlequin Bowling Club
Park Grove, Trecynon, Aberdare Rhondda-Cynon-Taff CF44 8EL (South Wales Branch)

Club Withdrawn

Darwen Catholic Club (Manchester Branch)

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

ALTHOUGH the CIU has taken care to ensure that all advertisements are placed in good faith it accepts no liability for any advertisements in Club Journal. To place an advertisement in Club Journal contact Mike Lyon on (0191) 488 7142 or write to Club Journal, Unit 17, St Peter's Wharf, Newcastle NE6 1TZ. Fax: (0191) 275 2609. email: info@powdene.com



FRED BUTLIN CLUB ENTERTAINMENT AGENCY SAVES CIU MEMBERS MONEY.

SAVE MONEY ON ENTERTAINMENT WITH FRED
CHEAPER PRICES - BEST SINGERS
BANDS - COMEDIANS - FREE QUOTES

*FREE OFFER YOUR OWN SOCIAL CLUB PHONE APP FOR YOUR MEMBERS PHONES*FREE. EVERY CIU CLUB IN UK COVERED FOR ENTERTAINMENT AND CROWD PULLING IDEAS

EMAIL FRED@FREDBUTLIN.COM • WEB SITE WWW.FREDBUTLIN.COM
SEE US ON YOUTUBE • OFFICE TEL 01543 898342 • FRED MOBILE 07961 048696

Style Seating

Uk Manufactured Furniture

- Fluted aluminium frame
- Moulded seat foam
- Light weight
- 10 different fabric choices
- 5 different frame colours
- No visible fixings
- FREE DELIVERY**
- UK manufactured
- 5 year structural warranty
- Tested to BS EN 15373:2007 (test Level 3 - Severe Use)

From £38.95

From £19.95

Call for FREE 40 page brochure
tel: 01945 580099 www.styleseating.co.uk

Trent Pottery & Furniture

NEW BROCHURE OUT NOW

BQ/2 Available in gold, black or silver frame in any fabric C shown below. From £14.30

BQ/7 Gold frame in any fabric C shown below. From £23.30

BQ/1 Available in gold, black or silver frame in any fabric C shown below. From £13.50

BQ/5 Gold or silver frame in any fabric C shown below. From £23.30

150C 151C 152C 153C 154C

Email: sales@pubfurnitureuk.co.uk Web: www.trentpottery.co.uk
Tel: 0116 2864911 Fax: 0116 2869030

Busy private members' club requires
STEWARD/STEWARDESS
with partner to assist. Accommodation provided.
Please send CV with references to:
The Secretary, Leigh Park & District TUWMC,
439 Dunsbury Way, Havant, Hants PO9 5BD
E: workingmens.ins@btconnect.com W: workingmensclubleighpark.co.uk

PRIZE CROSSWORD

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

ACROSS

- 9 Somehow I'm a vast throwback. (7)
- 10 Plato mis-match produces reduction theory. (7)
- 11 Ooze - but out of sight? (7)
- 12 Let harm result in glider current. (7)
- 13 Joining - in a carpet form? (9)
- 15 Tough - allegedly like James Keir. (5)
- 16 With regard to vivaciousness, oddly losing only ounces. (3-1-3)
- 19 Arbitrate in multi-media, temporary surroundings. (7)
- 20 No elm disease for this fruit! (5)

- 21 Grave flaw - breakdown of jingoistic type. (4-5)
- 25 Oldsters have dart thrown back into disk operating system. (7)
- 26 Dodo quality coming from eggs alleged to have reeked. (7)
- 28 Raffle, at bloom's demise. (7)
- 29 Colleague is a mere cop, unfortunately. (7)

DOWN

- 1 Lashes in a frenzy of 'trouble'. (6)
- 2 Cavalryman playing the clarinet without it. (6)
- 3 Dirty mark? Bound to be a rumour. (4)
- 4 Hinder? - I'm having deep trouble. (6)
- 5 Piece of reality - round 'navel' of oddjobber. (8)
- 6 A fresh-wood structure to augur. (10)
- 7 Aim tiara to be taken as a tippie. (3,5)

- 8 Paid worker - being used? (8)
- 14 Roving limo turning into domestic area. (6-4)
- 16 Confirm live data by mistake. (8)
- 17 Former awesome timepiece is dismantled. (8)
- 18 Coaxing talk - that won't shift hard grime! (4-4)
- 22 Garden city lacking dirt is cultivated as a means. (6)
- 23 Wooden skin, overseen, but not so carefully. (6)
- 24 Comeback used at lab. table? (6)
- 27 Custom-built, but a bit grave. (4)

Send your entry to Crossword, Powdene Publicity, Unit 17, St Peter's Wharf, Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 1TZ, to reach us by January 31st.



League issues new warning

The Premier League are warning clubs that they face legal action if they show live matches on Saturday afternoons.

In a new warning to pubs and clubs the League say: "The League was successful in its European Court of Justice and High Court claim for copyright infringement against foreign satellite supplier QC Leisure and a number of pubs which purchased and used cards from QC Leisure.

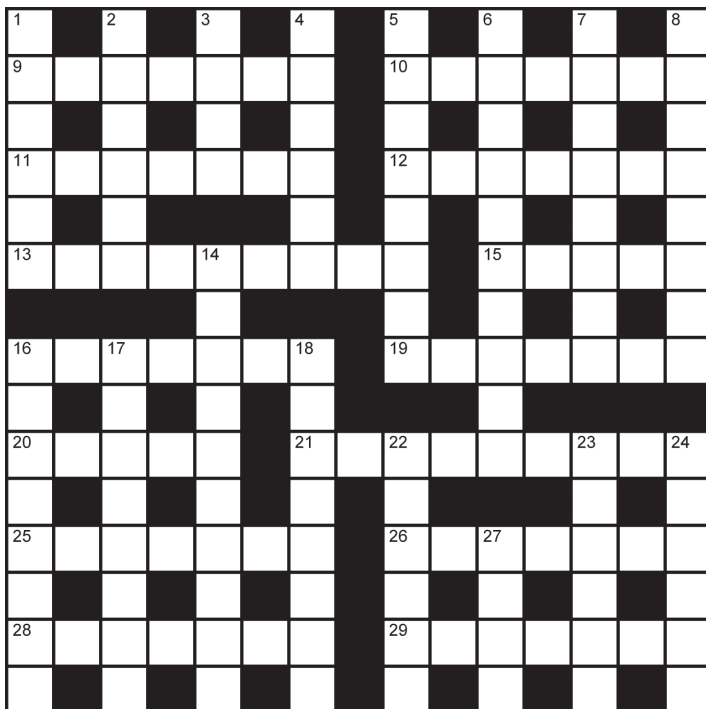
"This means that using an unauthorised foreign satellite card in a club or other commercial premises in the UK makes you liable to infringe the Premier League's copyright.

"Sky and ESPN are the only authorised broadcasters of Premier League matches in the UK. It is therefore not advisable to purchase any decoder card from a supplier other than Sky or ESPN and we recommend that you take independent legal advice prior to doing so.

"Club Committees should be aware that legal action will be taken against those who use unauthorised systems and cards to show live Premier League matches in a club or other commercial premises.

"If you know a business that is showing Premier League matches via a foreign satellite system or if someone tries to sell you a foreign satellite system you can report this directly to Media Protection Services Ltd on 0845 290 3434."

Portsmouth pub landlady Karen Murphy won a case in February against the Premier League when the High Court found that it was not illegal for her to use a Greek decoder. The Premier League feel it's more significant, however, that another British judge ruled QC Leisure had breached the League's copyright in certain areas, such as the use of its logos and anthem.



Name.....

Address

Club.....

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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

- Mrs K J Bradley of Remembrance Club, Birmingham;
- Stuart McIvor of King St Social, North Shields;
- Roger Woodward of Cowley Workers, Oxford;
- Roy Stoddart of Hartlepool WMC; and
- David Hemmett of Beckenham WMC, Kent.



Jack's the pool lad



Jack Whelan is pictured receiving his trophy from Manchester National Executive member Geoff Blakely

Our new individual pool champion is Jack Whelan from Alvaston & Crewton Men's Social Club in Derby. The combined semi-final and final were held at Bloomfield Club in Blackpool and in the final he beat P Nolan from Bannockburn Miners Club near Stirling 5-0. The other semi-finalists were: W Ashman from Broadwater WMC, Surrey and K Rainbow from Grove & Moorside Club, Durham.

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

NEWBURY:.....	Saturday, 9th February	£16 (normally £20)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 16th February	£11 (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)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 30th March.....	£11 (normally £20)
NEWBURY:.....	Saturday, 20th April.....	£12 (normally £16)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 27th April (eve).....	£11 (normally £20)
LEICESTER:.....	Saturday, 27th April	£9 (normally £16)
RIPON:.....	Saturday, 27th April	£12 (normally £15)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 11th May	£11 (normally £20)
NEWBURY:.....	Saturday, 18th May	£16 (normally £20)
LEICESTER:.....	Monday, 20th May (eve)	£7 (normally £12)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 25th May	£12 (normally £22)
CARLISLE:.....	Bank Holiday Monday, 27th May..	£10 (normally £15)
LEICESTER:.....	Bank Holiday, Monday, 27th May ...	£9 (normally £16)
HAYDOCK:	Friday, 7th June (eve)	£11 (normally £20)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 8th June	£11 (normally £20)
HAYDOCK:	Thursday, 13th June (eve)	£7.50 (normally £13)
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)
HAYDOCK:	Friday, 5th July (eve).....	£11 (normally £20)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 6th July	£12 (normally £22)
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)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 10th August.....	£12 (normally £22)
RIPON:.....	Saturday, 17th August	£12 (normally £15)
LEICESTER:.....	Tuesday, 20th August (eve)	£7 (normally £12)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 7th September	£12 (normally £22)
NEWBURY:.....	Saturday, 21st September	£16 (normally £20)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 28th September	£11 (normally £20)
RIPON:.....	Saturday, 28th September.....	£12 (normally £15)
NEWBURY:.....	Saturday, 26th October	£12 (normally £16)
CARLISLE:.....	Sunday 3rd November	£10 (normally £15)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 23rd November	£12 (normally £22)
CARLISLE:.....	Sunday 1st December.....	£10 (normally £15)
LEICESTER:.....	Sunday, 1st December.....	£9 (normally £16)
HAYDOCK:	Saturday, 21st December	£11 (normally £20)
LEICESTER:.....	Friday, 27th December	£9 (normally £16)
NEWBURY:.....	Saturday, 28th December	£12 (normally £16)
HAYDOCK:	Monday, 30th December.....	£7.50 (normally £13)

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: _____

Please return to: Jean Garrett, Club Journal, UNIT 17, ST PETER'S WHARF, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE6 1TZ.

BUY YOUR OWN COPY. . . and pay less

Here's your chance to have your own personal copy of Club Journal for less than you'd pay for it at the club.

Fill in this form to obtain a year's supply of Club Journal for £7.50. This means that not only will we send you your copy post-free to your home if you wish, but two of the 12 editions will be yours for FREE.

Please send me a year's supply of Club Journal. I enclose a cheque for £7.50 made payable to the Club & Institute Union.

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Please send your order to Club Journal, Unit 17, St Peter's Wharf, Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 1TZ.

Dominoes title goes north again



Peek's
the year for great Themes!

- Pub & Bar Dec Packs
- Party Packs • Fancy Dress
- Banners • Novelties...

...and **50000** MUCH more!

order anytime online!

www.peek's.co.uk

Reid Street, Christchurch, Dorset BH23 2BT
tel: 01202 489489

Like f



The new champions are pictured with Railwaymen's Club Secretary Danny O'Connor (left) and National Executive member John Harris (right), who represented the Union. Below: Danny O'Connor and John Harris with the runners-up.



Our straight dominoes pairs champions are from County Durham but for once they are not the all-conquering team of Colin Stainsby and Steve Smith. Instead W Hodgson and D Illingworth from Ferryhill WMC came out on top, defeating J Hancock & M Dunford from Poole Labour Hall Club in Dorset in the final at Leicester Railwaymen's Club.

The combined semi-finals and finals were played at the club on December 1. The other two semi-finalists were: J. Morgan & D. Maddan from 102 Social Club in Derby; and D Smith & A Fetch from Newfoundpool Non-Political Club in Leicester.

Colin Stainsby and Steve Smith from the Northgate Club in Darlington have won our straight dominoes title eight times and, appropriately enough, the 5s and 3s title eight times as well.

COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN

FULL INTERIOR REFURBISHMENT



Call: 01372 453915

BARS CARPETS FURNITURE





www.easeco.co.uk

40 Bookham Industrial Estate,
Church Road, Bookham, Surrey KT23 3EU

contact@easeco.co.uk