

# Club Journal

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## NEC BEGIN HUNT FOR A GENERAL SECRETARY

The National Executive have responded to the decision of this year's Conference and put in place a timetable for the election of the next General Secretary. Letters from Union President George Dawson were sent out to all clubs on June 13 inviting nominations for the post by July 18. Ballot papers will be sent out to clubs, which will have one vote each, on August 1 and will need to be returned by August 29.

The votes will be counted on Monday, September 1 to give a result before the National Executive meeting on September 3. The result will be released to the candidates and then to clubs after the meeting and the result will be published in full in the October issue of *Club Journal*.

The post will carry an honorarium, the same as is paid to the President. "It is specified in our constitution that the General Secretary will be an officer not an employee and will act under the direction and control of the National Executive," said Mr Dawson.

"We accept the decision of the Conference which voted to continue to have a General Secretary whose role is set out in Rule 18 of the Constitution."

### TIME LINE FOR ELECTION OF GENERAL SECRETARY

Issue Letter and Nomination Form	13 June 2014
Deadline for forms to be returned to Head Office	18 July 2014
Ballot Papers to be issued to all clubs	1 August 2014
Deadline for Ballot Papers to be returned to Head Office	29 August 2014
Ballot Count at Head Office	1 September 2014
National Executive Committee Meeting	3 September 2014
Notification to Candidates	3 September 2014
Official Release to Branch Secretaries, Clubs <i>Club Journal</i> etc.	3/4 September 2014



George Dawson

### MBE for club president Anita

A Club President who has personally raised £100,000 for charities and helped save her club has been honoured by the Queen.

Anita Savory, the President of Wolsingham Constitutional Club in County Durham, which at one point was only an hour away from extinction, has received the MBE for public service to the communities in Wolsingham and Weardale. Full story – Page 4.

### Club helps raise £30,000



A charity night at Sturdee Social Club in Gillingham has helped two women raise more than £30,000 for Cancer Research.

Joleen Swan and her friend Emma Flynn both completed the London Marathon in six hours and 20 minutes despite Joleen going through chemotherapy at the time. She has since completed her last bout of chemotherapy and put this defiant picture (right) and message on Twitter on June 18: "Last chemo 2day while having it I ran the London marathon. I did it and raised £30,000 for Cancer Research UK."

Joleen and Emma raised more than £15,000 on their Just Giving page along with other events such as the charity quiz at the club, which raised £3,000. Joleen's employer Mack Multiples then doubled her money.

Club President Colin Lewing said: "It's an amazing achievement and we're pleased to have been able to help such a great cause."



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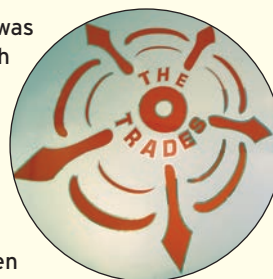
A pair of Kings - Len and Frank - with John Tobin (right)

Union Vice-President John Tobin attended a recent Council Meeting at the North East Metropolitan Branch, which included an open question-and-answer session on the current issues affecting clubs. Afterwards, Mr Tobin presented a 40-year Distinguished Service Award to Frank King from the Bardswell Social Club at Brentwood in Essex. They are pictured with Frank's brother, former Branch Vice-President Len King, who has served on the Branch Executive for more than 40 years and is known as the "Father of the Branch." Len is still active in Branch matters, keeping the rest of the Committee on the straight and narrow with his knowledge and experience.



Alan Baker (right) presents Melvyn Porter with his Long Service Award watched by Club President Gordon Reed.

Doncaster Branch President Alan Baker was able to walk downstairs from the Branch office to present a Long Service Award to Melvyn Porter to mark 25 years' service to The Trades Club. The club, which is next to Doncaster Railway Station, is arguably the Union's most sumptuous club - its foyer (pictured below) has been even been mistaken for a hotel.



It was built after the club negotiated more than £2m in compensation from the Council when it moved from its old premises at the town's bus station. Its four floors include the club premises and offices used by the Branch and by local MP Rosie Winterton.



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South Yorkshire Branch President Brian Simmonite presented Number 5 Panel Secretary and Branch Executive member Andy Devine with his ten-year Branch award at the Council Meeting held at Thurnscoe WMC.



# Charity goal is on the cards



Katie West from the fundraising team at the hospital visited the club and is pictured (left) receiving the cheque from (left to right) President Lyn Cooper, Stewardess Elaine Williams and doorman Margaret Shakespeare.

A West Midlands club has reached its goal by raising £1,200 for sick children by selling football cards.

Pelsall Social Club near Walsall sold up to 10 football cards a weekend at a profit of £100 each to raise the money for the Birmingham Children's Hospital. Since then it has raised another £500, which it still has to decide where to place.

West Midlands Branch Secretary and National Executive member Geoff Whewell also visited the club to present service awards and he and President Lyn Cooper are pictured with (left to right) Tom Yale and Gordon Basil Read with their 40-year Distinguished Service Awards; and Roy Stackhouse, Michal Horan and David Sheppard and their 25-year Long Service Awards.



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# Queen honours club champion



Anita Savory MBE hosting Weardale's Stars in Your Eyes competition, which last year raised £13,000.

Club President Anita Savory has been awarded an MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours for her services to communities in County Durham.

Anita, who has been an independent county councillor since 2008 was given the award in recognition of her charity work. She has raised £50,000 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society with a series of Stars in their Eyes nights as well as for MIND, a local hospice and many other causes. Last year she held a special ladies' evening at Wolsingham Constitutional Club for Wear Valley Women's Aid which operates a women's refuge in Bishop Auckland.

In July 2012 the Constitutional Club was within an hour of folding when officials from the Durham Branch with the papers

to wind up the club came to a special meeting but Anita persuaded members to come forward to commit themselves to work unpaid to keep the club open.

"My father Pat Gallagher was President here for 25 years and he worked so hard for this club. I said we would regret it for ever if the club closed down and thanks to the hard work of the Committee we've kept going.

"We've been prepared to try any kind of event to attract members. As well as a Ladies' Night, we've had country and western evenings and quizzes and recently we've had a children's primary school disco where the parents have come and been able to enjoy a few drinks.

"We now have 40 people on a Sunday night where we used to have about six. Every little counts so I'll be celebrating when we have 41." Weardale, the valley where the club is situated is a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the club also attracts campers and caravanners as well as locals.



The club have even had a children's bouncy castle in their concert room but are being forced to sell.



## We'll Not Fade Away

A Rolling Stones tribute band have performed The Last Time at a Leicestershire club but members are hoping it only "may be the last time I don't know."

Stoney Stanton Social Club have been forced to put their concert hall on the market to pay off debts but hope they can raise enough money to keep the club going.

"Over the years our concert room has hosted many tribute shows, charity events, children's play groups, darts tournaments, parties and much more," said Committee member Jim Bunting. "Stoney Stanton is a small village in Leicestershire and our facilities have been used by many within the area.

"The Concert room isn't sold yet, but not far off. We would love to be able to keep the concert room, but with mounting debts it doesn't look like we will be able to. If anyone reading this has any ideas that might help us save our concert room please contact me at gigslist@hotmail.co.uk."



Tribute band The Stones were engaged to perform a final concert on June 13 but the club is hanging in there and has already arranged a gig for July.

Ben Wattam (left), who impersonates Mick Jagger, said: "We love playing the hall here because it is always a great crowd. We chose the Last Time as our personal tribute because the words are so fitting, but let's hope it only may be the last time."

• A pensioners' club that met in a hotel in Montrose for 75 years has finished its last meeting with a slightly more sedate rendition of Sir Harry Lauder's "Keep Right on to the End of the Road."



Members enjoy cocktails at Wolsingham Constitutional Club's Ladies Night, which raised money for Wear Valley Women's Aid.

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## Couple earn their day off

A North East club has marked a couple's 20 years of service – by giving them an extra day off.

Steve and Shirley Hunter were taken on as Steward and Spouse to Assist at Kibblesworth WMC near Gateshead on May 25, 1994. The Committee recognised their achievement by presenting Shirley with a bouquet of flowers and giving them Sunday, May 25 off work so they could have lunch with their family.



The couple were originally hired by the club's former Chairman – and Union President – Terry Watson, who said: "Steve and Shirley have been great for the club. They make a great team as they work together well and they're both very hard working."

Their daughter Donna said: "I'm delighted that given the economic downturn, the historical attrition in bar work and the severe financial difficulties clubs have faced especially in most recent years that my parents' commitment to their work should be recognised.

"They are well known not just in their local community but in the wider CIU as Terry Watson was so highly regarded not just in his own role but for the performance of his own club."

Current Chairman Gordon Turnbull said it was what Terry would have wanted had he still been part of the Committee.



## 100 YEARS OF GRANGE

A day of celebrations has taken place at Grange-over-Sands on Morecambe Bay to mark the centenary of the Union's third Convalescent Home.

Local celebrity Cedric Robinson MBE, who has been the Queen's Guide to the Sands for 50 years, was invited by the Home's current owners Brancaster Care to unveil a plaque and to open the day's events on June 28, which included staff at the home dressing in First World War outfits, clog dancing and music from a brass band called The Old Contemptibles.

The Union bought the three-acre site for £1,430 in 1912 and originally estimated it would cost £12,000 but bad weather and the war meant it eventually cost £26,000.

The foundation stone was laid on Whit Monday in 1914 though the building was hampered by the outbreak of the First World War later that year and it did not open until 1916, when it was initially used for injured troops.

The Home followed Pegwell Bay in Kent and Saltburn in North Yorkshire to become the third opened during the 36 years the great B T Hall was General Secretary. The Union had a home at each corner of England and Wales when Langland Bay near Swansea opened in 1922.

Grange was sold by the Union in 1990 and bought by Brancaster Care nine years ago, who now run it as the Cartmel Grange home. Many of the marvellous original features

of the home have been restored including a cast concrete listed statue of a soldier – known locally as Albert and thought to be the oldest in the world – which was originally presented to the home by Normanton Central Liberal Club.



Albert was restored after an appeal locally, which included donations from Brancaster Care and by local MP Tim Farron, who carried out a sponsored six-mile run from the statue to Somme Avenue, Ravenstow and back.

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## Don't be fooled by this scam letter

We are grateful to Tuxford WMC and Doncaster Branch Secretary Dave Gravel for passing on a copy of a clever scam letter.

The letter looks official and is headed "Publication of companies and VAT Registration Numbers in the UK Corporate Portal 2014." It goes on to say that changes to the EU economic package oblige all companies to provide their VAT registration number and includes a form to return to update the database.

In the small print at the bottom of the form, however, is a line that says the club is agreeing to pay "797 GBP" and to take an advertisement for three years. It's very easy to miss it and not realise that GBP stands for Great British Pounds so you are signing up to pay out nearly £800.

HMRC says: "We are aware of a dubious letter being received by VAT-registered businesses. This is from a German company and claims that due to the EU Economic Package all companies must publish details of their VAT number. This is not true

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## The answer is 'yes'

Clubs issued with a Bingo Operating Licence (BOL) because they pay more than £2,000 a week in prizes have to make an annual return to the Gambling Commission.

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## Be wary of how you use CCTV

I have recently received a number of complaints from clubs who have caught staff on CCTV not ringing in sales and think they can simply dismiss them on the basis of the CCTV; they can but only if they follow the correct procedures.

Clubs can use CCTV images taken from cameras positioned on club property provided they demonstrate they have taken all steps possible to protect the personal information of anyone captured by the CCTV footage. To ensure you comply with the Data Protection Act (DPA) the CCTV Code of Practice and other relevant legislation follow and document the procedure set out below:

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1. Acknowledge that the club does have CCTV in place, with appropriate signage. State that the function of the CCTV is to prevent crime and protect public safety. Remind the staff that the use of CCTV in disciplinary proceedings is referred to in their employment contract and the employee handbook.
2. State that the CCTV allegedly caught an employee committing a disciplinary offence (which may also be deemed to be a criminal act) in the course of their employment. The CCTV footage may also show images of other staff not involved in the offence/crime.
3. State that the club wishes to use the CCTV images in connection with the disciplinary proceedings against the staff members. The CCTV footage may also be made available to the police.
4. State that the club recognises that the CCTV images contain personal information and therefore to comply with the DPA they cannot be disclosed or released. However, section 35(2) of the DPA exempts the CCTV images from the non-disclosure provisions of the DPA where they are used for the purposes of, or in connection with, legal proceedings.
5. State that in the opinion of the club the disciplinary proceedings constitute legal proceedings in the light of the alleged criminal activity, and therefore the proposed use of the images in connection with the disciplinary proceedings is exempt from the non-disclosure provisions of the DPA.
6. State that the staff member will be given a chance to view the CCTV images and to fully explain and/or challenge their content.
7. Where relevant, state that the club has investigated the possibility of obscuring the images of other staff members, and whether or not this was possible. The obscuring of the identity of persons not relevant to the alleged misconduct should be attempted before the CCTV footage is shown to the staff member.
8. State that circulation of the images will be restricted to those attending the disciplinary meeting and those attending are covered by confidentiality provisions. Clubs should ensure that they document the above process within their meeting notes before release of the CCTV images, otherwise they will breach the DPA.





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This exterior view of Ponders End WMC shows the original Prince of Wales pub with the club's long concert room attached to the right behind the car park.



Pictured enjoying a pint are (left to right): North East Metropolitan Branch Secretary and National Executive member John Baker, Branch Executive member John Tabor and George Wilson, now the club's longest serving member after 52 years.



The Committee. Forder, Dave Croa John Willmott (President).

Ponders End WMC is essentially a pub with a club concert room added to the back of it, so it's not surprising it has survived a tough spell by combining the best aspects of a club with those of a pub.

Enfield, the home of the Lee Enfield rifle, was once the industrial powerhouse of North London and workers used to physical labour could choose from around 20 clubs and a pub on each corner including 19 in South Street alone. The demise of heavy industry, the arrival of a Wetherspoons pub, and the influx of immigrants who don't drink alcohol, have all had a big effect and this club faced a crisis of its own at the height of the credit crunch six years ago when it needed to be refinanced with a loan from Carlsberg.

"We have had to be prepared to listen to members and to make a few changes," said Club Secretary Sean Belton. "One of the first things the Committee did was to launch a questionnaire to see what people would like done."

One of the results has been a more diverse range of entertainment – a recent hypnosis show discovered Sean had a talent for ballet dancing – and the club are finding that while Sunday night used to be their most successful evening for live entertainment, Saturdays are proving popular as well thanks to the efforts of Entertainment Secretary Rob Ginder. The club also does well by letting out its 150-seat concert room to members.

"There's always an impression that Committees can be stick-in-the-muds" said Club President John Willmott. "We are very much open to trying new ideas, we all pitch in by helping with the bingo and when I'm having a drink I'm just a member like anybody else."

The changes steadied the ship and as more clubs and pubs in the area have fallen by the wayside, Ponders End has benefited. Most recently the club has acquired some sports teams and as well as its crib team and two pool teams it now has five darts teams, two on Monday, two on Wednesdays and even one on a Friday night. Apart from keeping the club busy in midweek this also gives visiting teams the opportunity to see the club. "I've lost count of the number of people who've said to me that they've lived near here for years and this is the first time they've been in the club," said John. "I'm pleased to say that quite a few of them go on to join the club afterwards."

Other groups the club has attracted include a book club – whose members read the same book each fortnight and meet in the club to discuss it;



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a martial arts club as well as trad jazz fans who come to fortnightly performances by Bill Freeman's Happy Jazz Band. The Committee are particularly keen to attract a football team as that brings in younger people to ensure the future.

It's the way that Sean himself got involved. He originally came to the club to play pool, then when the pool players wanted a voice, joined the Committee. Now as well as being Club Secretary he's the Branch Games Secretary.

As a club the members pull together as a community to help the likes of local children, disabled Adam Goates-Sanders, and cerebral palsy sufferer Harry Christie. Because three-year-old Harry needed £45,000 for an operation in the United States, the club held a darts marathon with teams playing from 45,000 to 1. It has also helped Barnardo's, Leukaemia and Children's Cancer Care and has even bought bugles for the Boys' Brigade.

The club came into existence in 1911 when the Ponders End Liberal & Labour Club took over the Prince of Wales pub and the front of the club not only still looks like a traditional pub, the front bar has been arranged to be like a pub snug, and thanks to Steward Diane Drane has become widely known for its cask ale, winning five CAMRA awards in the last six years, and gaining the prized Cask Marque accreditation. While it's not unusual any more – except in the North East – for clubs to serve real ale Ponders End were ahead of the game here, thanks to Diane's late husband Michael, who sadly died 15 years ago at the age of 47.



Trustee Cliff Short was a fireman during World War Two.

"He had a total aversion to keg beer so he introduced us all to real ale and we've never looked back," she said. "Carlsberg provide us with a selection of guest ales through its Tapsters Choice programme and we have also regular suppliers like The Tring Brewery and Red Squirrel from Hertfordshire."

There would have been 20 pubs on South Street but the Two Brewers pub opposite the club was hit by a bomb during the Second World War with the loss of 20 lives. Trustee Cliff Short, now 86, a fireman at the time had the unenviable job of going into the rubble and has been one of the driving forces in recent moves to create a fitting memorial garden on the site.

Cliff also had the last word when interviewed by the local paper on the appeal of the club. "It's a real community that's here," he said. "You can leave your wallet on the bar and you know that when you get back from the toilet it's still be there."



The club successfully combines the best features of a club and a pub. Above: members enjoy the entertainment from Bill Freeman's Happy Jazz Band on a packed Thursday night, while (right) Steward Diane Drane pours a pint of the club's award-winning ale, carrying on the work of her late husband Michael (below).



The bar staff (left to right): Joan Osgood, Diane Drane, Brooke Taylor and Sam Drane.

**Ponders End WMC**  
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# Learn to love your computer

The Union has commissioned a subsidised basic computer course for club officials and members that should save you and your club money.

The aim of the course is for club officials to have a basic grounding in how to use a computer and save themselves time and money dealing with all the tasks they need to do, such as the club's books, the wages, and Real Time Information (RTI) for the tax authorities – many of which now must be done by computer.

The course has been organised by Burnley & Pendle Branch Secretary Michael Woodvine and National Executive member Geoff Blakeley in conjunction with Blackburn College. It is aimed at clubs in the North West but is available to anyone who can get to the Saturn Centre near Junction 6 of the M65 and has been designed for those who find computers daunting.

## EDUCATION

"The demands made by official bodies mean it's now very difficult to run a club without being able to operate a computer," said Michael. "The course is an effort to bring club officials up to speed with the ever increasing demands made on them by Government agencies, suppliers and service providers – such as the HMRC, FCA, licensing authorities, banks, insurance companies and breweries.

"I'm delighted that the Union have decided to help bridge that knowledge gap by commissioning this basic computer course, which is being offered at a subsidised rate of £35 to officials and members.

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The benefits of this computer course are many and regardless of what you want to do with the knowledge, you are likely to find it makes life easier and more interesting. Today, computers are used in more places and for more jobs than ever before, and their use is only expected to increase.

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Officials should find that after this one-day course they can apply what they have learnt almost immediately allowing them to perform their job faster and more efficiently, allowing them more time for other tasks.

They may also be able to perform some tasks from their home computer, saving the time and money involved in travel. The course is being offered at a rate of £35 per person as an introductory offer. It is scheduled for the autumn with dates to be confirmed. Further information can be obtained from Michael Woodvine or Geoff Blakeley, whose details are on this page.

**If you'd like to reserve a place please send your payment by cash or cheque to:**  
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# World records on the table



World records could again be on the table when two big vegetable shows are staged at clubs in Northumberland.

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Last year Northumberland winner Geoff Moscrop from North Broomhill broke the record for one single pot leek, as well as for two pot leeks using CIU rules. His single pot leek came in at 274.22 cubic inches, while his pair of leeks together measured 457.72 cubic inches.

Later in the month the John Smith's Extra Smooth World Leek & Onion Championship returns to Blyth Sports & Social Club.

The show takes place on the weekend of September 13 and 14 with viewing hours from after judging till 11pm on Saturday and from noon till 8pm on Sunday.

Interested exhibitors should contact organiser Dave Clough on 07903661347.

Geoff Moscrop (above) with his world record pair of leeks at last year's show. The glass trophy depicts a man holding two leeks. Left: John McMullen from Shankhouse Central, Northumberland, who won the leeks section at last year's World Championship and onion prize winner Peter Glazebrook from Nottinghamshire.



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 by Dione Mobley

Hello Club Members

Even in our funny old British climate of very unpredictable weather, gardening should always be fun and getting out in the fresh air at any age, is definitely good for all of us. So here are some handy gardening tips to get you started.

Sometimes there is really no need to go to the local nursery or garden centres and have the expense of buying all those little biodegradable pots to start your seedlings. You can simply make a start by saving all those empty cardboard paper towel rolls or toilet paper rolls from your kitchen and bathrooms.

Cut the paper towel rolls into four sections and the toilet rolls into two pieces. Place them on a tray touching so they do not topple over. Use a tablespoon to carefully fill them with soil and sow your seeds. Remember to gently sprinkle water as needed and store in a dry place until ready to use.

By the time you are ready to plant, the cardboard should be soft enough to just bury in the ground. Be sure when you plant, to completely cover the cardboard. Soft cardboard milk or juice cartons are also perfect for making seed starters. Just cut off the top and punch holes in the bottom of the container and fill with some potting mix. Sow the seeds according to the instructions on the packet.

Feeding your plants is important and banana peels, like the fruit, are very rich in potassium. This is an important nutrient for any garden. The next time you eat a banana, save that peel. You can dry the peels, by laying them on a flat tray outside in a greenhouse or shed if you have one. Once dried, grind up the peel and add in with your mulch, to help give your young plants and seedlings nutrition for a healthy start.

Save those discarded ice cream, ice lolly or popsicle sticks your children or grandchildren will have after they visit the ice cream van. You can then use them to write the name of your plants with a permanent marker and they can be turned into great labels for herb gardens or planters.

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## CLUB NOTICES

### Expulsions

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### ACROSS

- Wishes I'm about to make into capricious ideas. (8)
- State of Iowa after Frenchman's catty comment. (5)
- Shirt said to be for a meal. (3)
- How Tom can see for night driving. (4-3)
- Party leader - that is to say, tart! (3)
- Barometer state - is after a change. (3-4)
- It's a photo, OK? - but taken as a pan hanger. (7)
- Biro chips away at the diocese. (9)
- Weight, unfortunately, is on cue. (5)
- 0,2,3,4,5...not a soul about. (2-3)
- Supercharged support?

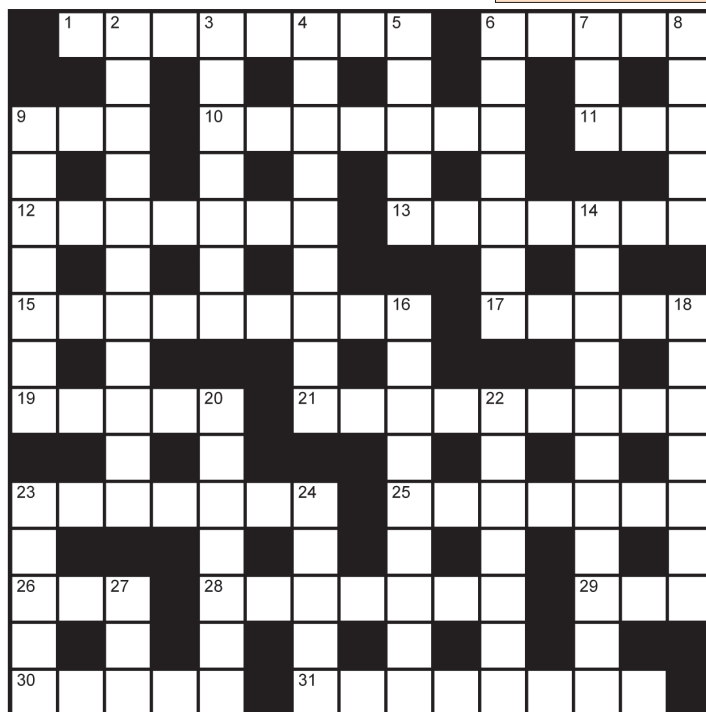
- That's plane to see! (5-4)
- Shown in advance, the viper we turned over. (7)
  - Moth running the empire. (7)
  - Electromagnetic unit starts the bird. (3)
  - Negate all changes to the way of adolescence. (7)
  - By Romans, in enviable position. (3)
  - Claim the nation. (5)
  - PSI that amour propre's sure to include! (8)

### DOWN

- Pump hospitals join to sound fire-fronts. (6-5)
- Holy city? Perhaps not, it's a building toy. (7)
- Painter pretends to include what to make sense of. (9)
- Pricey sort of climb? (5)
- Brilliant performer - at morse code! (7)
- Snake - like party leader. (3)

- Healthy Kay said to be a seasnail. (5)
- The sort of nuclear restriction most candidates would like to see? (4,3)
- He's behind his wheel. (5-6)
- Creole art designed mutually to agree. (9)
- Aim rope towards department stores. (7)
- Sleep it off and read the letter. (7)
- Crush the old person's newspapers. (7)
- Iron out the reporters (5)
- Give birth with assistance from the West. (5)
- States in Russia? No Sir! (3)

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



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## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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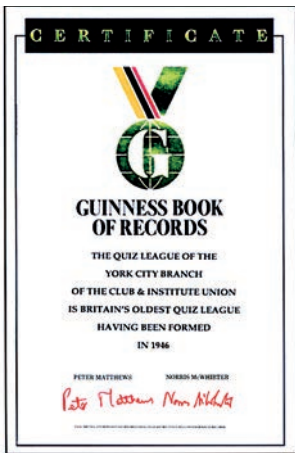




# Record-breaker for a record-breaker

Former President Ken Needham has been honoured by the York Branch for his efforts in keeping it in the Guinness Book of Records. As Branch Education Secretary until his retirement last year Ken was organiser of the York CIU Quiz League, which started in 1946 and is recognised by the Guinness Book of Records as the world's oldest quiz league. At this year's knockout final and presentation night at the Tramways Club he was presented with a framed certificate from the Guinness Book of Records, six bottles of his favourite red wine and a limited edition print of a painting of another record-breaker, Sir Nigel Gresley's locomotive Mallard.

Mallard, which broke the world speed record in 1938, has particular significance for Ken as he worked at Sir Nigel's former workshop in Doncaster before moving to York in the 1970s. A member of Holgate WMC and Burnholme Social he joining the Branch Executive in 1984, and became Branch President in 2005.



For many years Ken organised annual matches for the York league against a league in Goole and a team of professors from York University, and they were unbeaten until they accepted a challenge from the Sunderland Quiz League. The two leagues have now met 19 times with Sunderland winning a close encounter on Wearside this year to lead the series by 10 matches to nine.

The Branch fared better, however, in their annual bowls match against York Amateur Bowls Association. The Branch team led by President Terry Wheatley won 103-96 at York Railway Institute to make it four wins in a row. The final of this year's Dransfields CIU National Quiz at Alvaston & Crewton Social Club in Derby has been switched to Sunday, September 7. Six more teams have qualified following

The South Wales and West of England heat was held at Bettws Social Club

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



Ken Needham receives the Guinness Book of Records certificate and a picture of Mallard from the Quiz League's Paul Monroe. (picture: York Press)



South Wales champions John Davies, Barry Hines, George Sheldrick and David Clark.



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



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



# Race Discounts

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..... Saturday 2nd August

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..... Lennox Enclosure £15 (normally £19)

THIRSK:..... Saturday 2nd August.....£10 (normally £16)

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THIRSK:..... Monday 11th August (eve).....£10 (normally £14)

RIPON:..... Saturday 16th August.....£12 (normally £16)

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NEWCASTLE:..... Friday 22nd August (eve)

..... £13 including free drink (normally £19.90)

GOODWOOD:..... Saturday 23rd August .....£19 (normally £24)

REDCAR:..... Saturday 23rd August (eve) ....£10 (normally £15)

GOODWOOD:..... Sunday 24th August.....£19 (normally £24)

**CHEPSTOW: ..... Bank Holiday**

..... Monday 25th August .....£12 (normally £20)

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..... £13 including free drink (normally £19.90)

GHAYDOCK:..... Saturday 6th September .....£12 (normally £22)

THIRSK:..... Saturday 6th September .....£10 (normally £16)

BATH:..... Saturday 13th September.....£10 (normally £19)

BATH:..... Sunday 14th September .....£10 (normally £19)

**FFOS LAS:..... Real Ale Festival**

..... Sunday 14th September .....£10 (normally £16)

NEWBURY:..... Saturday 20th September .....£16 (normally £20)

**UTTOXETER:..... Sunday 21st September**

..... Family Fun Day .....£10 (normally £20)

HAYDOCK: ..... Saturday 27th September.....£11 (normally £20)

NEWMARKET:..... Saturday 27th September..... £17 (normally £23)

RIPON:..... Saturday 27th September.....£12 (normally £16)

REDCAR:..... Saturday 4th October.....£10 (normally £15)

KELSO: ..... Sunday 5th October ..... £9 (normally £15)

**UTTOXETER:..... Community Raceday**

..... Sunday 5th October .....£10 (normally £20)

CHEPSTOW: ..... Saturday 11th October .....£12 (normally £20)

YORK: ..... Saturday 11th October .....£14 (normally £18)

FFOS LAS:..... Sunday 12th October .....£10 (normally £16)

GOODWOOD:..... Sunday 12th October .....£19 (normally £24)

KELSO: ..... Saturday 18th October ..... £9 (normally £15)

BATH:..... Sunday 19th October .....£10 (normally £19)

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

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# Labour club find you win some and you lose some

Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club have kept the Union's Team Darts trophy in South Wales for a second year by defeating Craghead Social Club from Co. Durham 4-2 in the final at Newbold WMC in Chesterfield. Last year the title was won by Mid Rhondda WMC. The winning squad are pictured (below) with John Harris, the National Executive member for Leicestershire and Derbyshire, who represented the Union. The Labour Club were less successful in our Team Snooker final, losing 4-1 to the Buffs Social Club from Stockton-on-Tees. The match was held on 7 June at Leicester Railwaymen's Club. South Wales Branch champion Rhydian Richards will be representing

the Labour Club in the final of our Individual Snooker Championship when he takes on Gary Wilson from Wallsend RAOB Club on Tyneside. The semi-final results were: Semi-final held on 17 May at Lofthouse Gate WMC, Wakefield between G Wilson (Northumberland) and D Ward Sedgley Ex-service Club (West Midland). G Wilson won 4-0. Semi-final held on 24 May at Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club (South Wales) between D Jones and R Richards (both Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club). R Richards won 4-1. The final will be held on 19 July. Venue to be arranged.



John Harris congratulates the winning Buffs Social snooker team. Left to right: David Lilley, Anthony Parsons and Michael Rhodes.

## Branch is spot on

The North East Met Branch has again held its three domino competitions in three of the different counties it covers. The Singles competition took place in Cambridgeshire at Chatteris WMC in the Fens and, in another all-Chatteris final, last year's runner-up Michael Wayman defeated Peter Seal in the final. He is pictured (below) receiving the trophy from Branch Games Secretary Sean Belton and Branch Executive Member John Tabor. The Pairs competition took place in Middlesex at Ponders End WMC in Enfield and in the final, Mick Melody and Keith Parkinson from March United Services Club defeated John Tabor and Sam Huckle from the home club in a match that went to the last peg. The winning pair are pictured (right) with the trophy and with Branch Secretary John Baker and Sean Belton.

The Team Competition took place in Essex at Belle Vue Social Club in Colchester, and was won by the team from Chatteris WMC. They are also pictured with Sean Belton after receiving the trophy from Branch Vice-President Ray Davidson.

