

# Club Journal

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The magazine for all CIU members

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## WE'VE DONE FOR SMOKERS, NOW FOR THE DRINKERS

MPs' recent decision to attack drinkers is the latest in a long line that has decimated an honourable industry that has served the country and its people for centuries.

For those who support the smoking ban it was a logical step to go on to have a go at alcohol. Since then we have had the huge increase in duty that allowed supermarkets to sell beer much more cheaply than clubs which came on top of changes to gaming and even bingo.

Now we even have Tory MP, Tracey Couch, the Chair of the All-Party Parliamentary Group on alcohol abuse, proposing signs saying "alcohol kills" – ignoring the evidence that drinking moderately and socialising in a club is better for your health than not drinking at all.

Governments of all persuasions have damaged our clubs despite the fact we provide welfare, support the live arts, sports and games and contribute hugely to local, national and international charities. Not all the damage has been caused by the busybody health bigots; most of it has been well meaning but has had an equally disastrous effect.

For instance, in its drive to liberalise gambling the Government allowed betting shops from 2001 to introduce fixed odds betting terminals with higher stakes and higher prizes. Ten years later these machines are regarded as the cause of major gambling problems and the Government is trying to curtail their use. Fruit machines were the lifeblood of our non-profitmaking clubs but members who enjoyed a punt on these machines were enticed into bookmakers as no equivalent increases were given to our clubs – and thousands of pounds were lost in income to our clubs.

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At the same time the Government decided bingo was a priority and under-18s shouldn't be allowed to play. For generations families used to go to clubs together for a game once or twice a week for moderate prizes. With the small stakes it could hardly be called gambling but the Government decided it was so now under-18s can no longer play bingo with their parents and grandparents. The result was the parents just stopped coming to the clubs at all and once more the clubs took a massive hit.

There is no need to repeat the arguments about smoking as even those people who believe "passive smoking" exists and that Roy Castle knew better than his doctors cannot justify stopping adults from using a legal drug on their own in a separate room of a private building. The ban is popular, of course, but the majority who just say "it's got to be a good thing if it means people smoke less" must realise it leads logically to the next step – let's get people drinking less.

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### Walk on - for Bobby



(Picture: Barry Pells)

A club in Northumberland have now raised more than £11,000 with their annual charity walks along the Tyne in aid of the Sir Bobby Robson Foundation.

Ovington Social Club Committee member Ann Cowperthwaite is pictured (right) after handing over a cheque to Lady Robson, Sir Bobby's widow. **Full story – Page 3.**

### Wetherby raceday confirmed

The highlight of the CIU Racing Club calendar, the National Charity Raceday will once again be held at Wetherby Racecourse.

This year's raceday will be on Saturday, November 15 and the course and its caterers CGC Events will again be donating £1 each for each ticket to the Union's Education Fund.

Last year a record 1,597 members attended the big day – including an incredible 257 from Farsley WMC in Leeds.

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### Club back from brink - again

A London club is starting its third life after it came back from the brink of closure for the second time in 15 years.

Southfields Club in Wimbledon has sold half of its premises to a local nursery and re-invested the money.

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Entertainments team members John Jenkins and Malcolm Williams are seen presenting the cheque to nurses Donna Morris and Julia Neale. Their colleagues Judith Ashman, Charlotte Owen and Cath Hughes were also present.

## A gift from the Valleys

A club from the South Wales valleys has raised more than £2,000 for a local hospital, taking its fundraising to more than £8,000. For the last four years Cwmaman WMC, near Aberdare, has organised fund-raising at its regular Saturday entertainments nights, nominating a particular cause in turn until a specific target is reached.

Previous recipients have been the Velindre Cancer Hospital, Cystic Fibrosis, Leukaemia, Cerebral Palsy, Rainbow Trust and Communities First Response. This year the club raised £2,045.59 to purchase equipment for the sensory room in the children's ward of the Ysbyty Cwm Cynon Hospital at Mountain Ash.

Entertainment has always been important at Cwmaman, where rock band Stereophonics were members though their first concert there when they were known as Tragic Love Company had to be cancelled due to lack of interest.

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# Brian clocks up half a century

## PROUD AND HONOURED

Union President George Dawson visited Bedworth Ex-Servicemen's Club in Warwickshire and presented one of the Union's rare 50-year service awards to Club Secretary Brian Olnier.

He also presented a Long Service Award to Brian's son Dean, who is Assistant Secretary and Certificates of Merit to Committee members Jim Cook and Roy Mosey.

Brian has been Club Secretary for 47 years, making him one of the longest serving secretaries in the Union. He served on the National Executive for 12 years before retiring in 2011, and has been a member of the Warwickshire Branch Executive for 37 years.



Pictured (left to right) are: Jim Cook, Brian Olnier, George Dawson, Dean Olnier and Roy Mosey.

The Union President was back in Warwickshire when Grendon WMC near Atherstone celebrated their centenary.

The Committee reduced prices by 20p a pint for members all week and organised a weekend of celebrations.

On the Friday evening the centenary dinner was attended by local councillors and officials from the Warwickshire Branch as well as the National President.

Saturday saw a live local band, The Pinch, a disco and hog roast and on the Sunday afternoon there was a party for members' children, followed by free bingo on the night.



Durham Branch Secretary George Smith and Branch President Eric Campbell visited Catchgate RAOB near Stanley and presented a 40-year Distinguished Service Award to Club Chairman Jimmy Godard. Pictured (left to right) are: George Smith, Eric Campbell, Jimmy Godard, Club Secretary Ivan Cox, Vice-Chairman Andrew Hetherington and Branch Executive member John Corrigan.

# First 11 grand for Sir Bobby



Ann Cowperthwaite (right) presents the club's cheque to Lady Robson.

A Northumberland club's members have used their feet to back former England football manager Sir Bobby Robson's goal of defeating cancer. Ovington Social Club have raised more than £3,000 for the Sir Bobby Robson Foundation with their annual charity walk and have now taken the total they have raised for the charity to £11,500.

"When Sir Bobby set up the charity in 2008 we thought it was a good cause for us to support and we've been backing it ever since," said Committee member Ann Cowperthwaite. "Cancer is something that touches us all – even more so recently as we have lost a couple of members to the disease."

Between 30 and 50 members have taken part each year in the six-mile walk along the River Tyne to the Big Lamp Brewery and back, and this year they were joined by Sir Bobby's oncologist Professor Ruth Plummer, who inspired him to raise £500,000 for a cancer drug trials centre in Newcastle. Sir Bobby raised the £500,000 for the original centre in just seven weeks and went on to spend the last 18 months of his life raising more money to fund cancer projects that directly benefit patients across the North East and Cumbria.



Professor Ruth Plummer (front right in light blue) joins members at the start of this year's walk.

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# Club back from the brink - again

A South London club has come back from the brink for the second time by taking the radical step of selling half of its premises.

Southfields Club in Wimbledon was struggling with debts and membership was dwindling because there was no money for the upkeep of the premises. Club Secretary Elaine Reilly came up with the idea of selling half of the club to a nursery, which was already leasing the upstairs half of the club.

"We needed to do something because the club was starting to look very dismal and members were not coming in," said Elaine.

"We have been through some real hard times over the last two years. The building is about 130 years old and it needed a lot of repairs including a new roof."

After receiving more than £300,000 from the sale the club has been able to pay off its debts and re-invest the money on making the club more attractive. The building had to be closed for three weeks



Members celebrating at a party in the club. Below: The way we were, Elaine Reilly (centre) in 2000 with fellow Committee members (left to right) Jacqui Smith, Caroline Molesworth, Maureen Mooney (Chair), Margo Clark, Berenice West and Penny Smith (Treasurer).



for all the work to be carried out, which included a new bar, toilets, carpets and windows.

Since then membership has increased and after a very successful opening night the club has installed Sky and BT Sport and gone on from strength to strength.

Elaine has been Club Secretary since 2000 when the club made national news as it had an all-woman Committee, made up of members of a darts team who stood for election together and successfully stepped in and turned the club round when it was on the brink of going out of business.

Among the initiatives that brought in new business was a banner outside the club encouraging new members, an introductory £1-a-pint offer for pensioners and a daily happy hour. Elaine also offered complimentary food on lunchtimes with the free Sunday lunch snacks helping to more than double bar takings.

The club still has a strong female influence with five women and four men on its nine-strong Committee, and plans to make the most of its third life.



A film shot at a CIU club in Glasgow has had its UK premiere at the Edinburgh Festival.

As we reported last year God Help the Girl, directed by Stuart Murdoch, the frontman for Scottish band Belle and Sebastian was partly filmed at Fairfield WMC in Govan and includes some of the members in acting roles.

The first screening of the film, a musical about a student in Glasgow who writes songs to resolve her emotional problems, was at Robert Redford's Sundance Festival in Utah in January. Stars Emily Browning, Olly Alexander and Hannah Murray are pictured in a scene from the film.

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## Still crazy after all these years



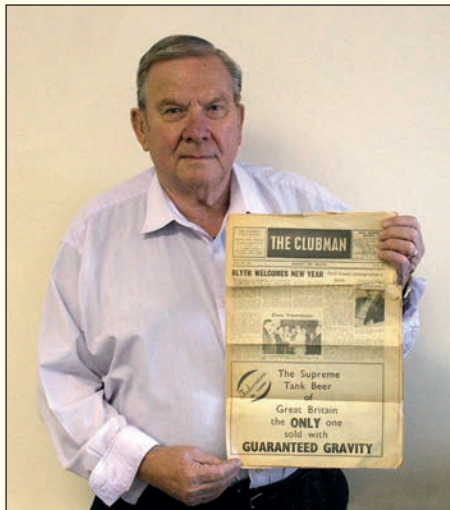
Members of one of the Union's oldest clubs have been celebrating its 125th anniversary. Irchester WMC in Northamptonshire held a week of celebrations beginning with a quiz night, then continuing with subsidised bingo, a games night and finishing with a concert on the Saturday night.

The club was founded in 1888 and moved from Townwell Lane to its current premises in the High Street, meaning it has occupied the same premises for three centuries.

Pictured are the current staff and committee members: Back Row: Anne Strong, Laura Todd, Suzanne Morton, Miranda Blades and Danielle Cox.

Front Row: Paul Ellson, James Lawless, Richard Light, Bob Dudley, Shaun Cox (President), Malcolm Lawless, Keith Barnes-Judd and Clifford Bates.

# Who remembers The Clubman?



National Executive member Sid Hicks with the January 1967 edition of the North East clubs magazine The Clubman

Can anyone remember a clubs newspaper that circulated in the North East in the 60s called "The Clubman"?

National Executive member Sid Hicks found a copy while doing some DIY work in his house and brought a copy into the nearby *Club Journal* offices.

Remarkably, for the times, the paper was edited by a woman, Peggy Longstaff, who in her editorial urges members to make it their resolution to see that their club orders

plenty of copies to help towards the costs of supplying reporters and photographers to cover clubs' activities. She also featured in the main front page story where she attended the New Year singsong at Blyth WMC and declared herself "happy to be invited to sing for the men of Blyth, for whom she has great admiration. Indeed, it was an honour, as never before has a lady been invited to sing at this traditional gathering." Another story on the front page mentions that Stanley in Co. Durham has 22 clubs.

While, as now, many of the stories concern long service awards and club dinners one report that caught the eye begins: "A 'Clubman' reporter had his education widened a further notch when he visited Bedlington Social Club for the annual presentation of trophies and cash to the winners in three Homing Pigeon Societies.

"Until his visit to Bedlington, pigeons meant things you feed in Eldon Square, made ghastly messes on buildings or were the chief ingredients in pigeon pie."

## GREENBANK HALFPENNY

Further down he reports on the entertainment from Jimmy Munro and party. "When the skirl of bagpipes sounded your reporter thought he was hearing things or had had one too many. As it happened he was wrong on both counts. The pipes were being played by Mr G Anderson, who soon had the floor full of enthusiastic Scottish dancers."

"There must be many club members still around who are mentioned in its pages," said Sid. "Among the clubs in here are Hebburn RAOB, Guidepost and Bedlington Social Club. And who can remember the Greenbank Halfpenny Club?"



(Picture: Newcastle Chronicle and Journal)

The Newcastle Chronicle has been running a recent series of nostalgic pictures from clubs and included this picture of Miss Clubland winner Paula Chicken being congratulated by former National Executive member Jack Amos MBE – known as Jack of Clubs when he was a reporter at the Chronicle and its sister paper The Sunday Sun.

At *Club Journal* we would love to know more about Gateshead and District 5s and 3s and cribbage Singles champion Jackson Gallacher details of whose wedding to his pretty new partner Susan Woolen of Seaton Delaval include:

"Mr T Flynn was the driver of the coach which took members of Felling Social Club to Whitley Bay where they were joined by members of Seaton Terrace WMC and East Cramlington WMC.

"Following the reception in the Hamilton Bay Hotel, Whitley Bay, the young couple left for a honeymoon in London and the many clubmen left for their various clubs where the festivities were continued.

"Mr and Mrs Gallacher assure us they will definitely not be entering for the Doubles championships next season as Jackson does intend retaining his Singles Championship."

So, while they weren't partners at dominoes can anyone tell us how they fared as partners in life?

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## Mediation can save a fortune



I often receive calls from clubs who have long-term unresolved staff issues.

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Instead the problems are allowed to fester leading sometimes to costly consequences when they have to be heard through the formal employment tribunal system.

Workplace Mediation is a confidential and informal way to resolve disagreements or disputes between people who work together. The action is assisted by a trained mediator who acts as a facilitator. The system works by encouraging the club management and staff to speak to each other and reach a mutually agreeable accord that will sort out their problems.

By Andrew Dane  
**The Business  
Medic**

The friction could be between two or more people. It gives them or the club management and staff a chance to talk about the situation, express their concerns to each other and come up with some practical ideas about how things could change for the better. It can cost around £500 but the saving in terms of management time can be much more than that.

### Mediation is:

**Voluntary:** Mediation will not function unless all parties agree to it. It is therefore crucial that the parties are not put under pressure to attend mediation or feel that it will have an adverse effect on them if they decide not to agree to mediation.

**A means for reaching agreement:** The parties will be asked to identify their issues and concerns. As a consequence, an agenda will be made to help all concerned jointly work towards an acceptable agreement. The mediator will encourage open communication and will assist the parties to come up with ideas that will improve the situation. The aim of mediation is to achieve a win/win conclusion, with the parties being accountable for making changes and agreeing a more positive way of working in the future.

**Confidential:** Mediation is operated on the basis of all parties acceding to confidentiality between the parties and the mediator. One of the exceptions to this would be if a party raised issues of serious misconduct. The content of mediation is not fed back to club management, staff or members, nor is it recorded in the employee's personal file.

**Quick:** The objective of mediation is to conclude matters at the earliest possible opportunity. Mediation can be arranged in a few days and can usually be completed in one or two days. Three quarters of cases are settled on the day, or shortly thereafter.

**Mediation can be a very effective method of resolving all types of disputes in your club such as:**

- Communication issues
- Personality clashes
- Unresolved or ongoing grievance/disciplinary issues
- Perceived discrimination, harassment or bullying
- Differences of working style
- Inappropriate use of power, status or position
- Ill health and long-term sick staff
- Problems with drugs or alcohol
- Capability issues

Through *Club Journal* I would like to invite your observations on mediation and how you think it may possibly help you in your club?

## Music banned at club

A North East club has been hit with a music ban after being caught playing copyrighted tracks without a licence.

The County Durham club, which is not in the Union, had a ban imposed at the High Court in London after an inspector from PPL (Phonographic Performance Ltd) found music playing on the premises when it did not have a PPL licence.

As well as the ban the club's two proprietors have been left with a legal costs bill of £1,833. They were also ordered not to play any more music at any other premises they run until they bring their music licence up to date.

The ban applies to all forms of mechanically recorded music such as records, tapes and CDs in PPL's repertoire.

Music licences can cost hundreds or even thousands of pounds, depending on the size of the venue and the audiences involved.

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"We like to think of Our Shout as a club's own personalised marketing agency."

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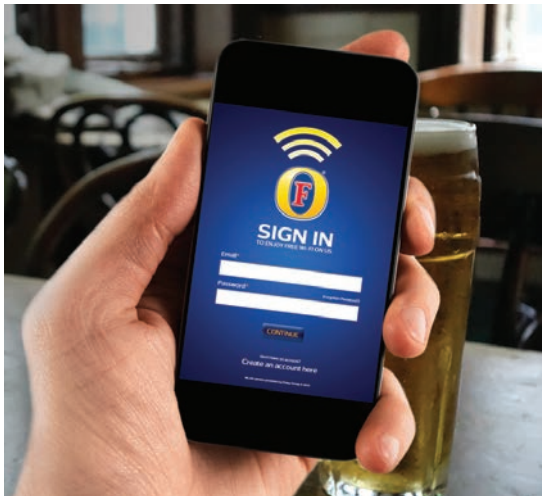
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## Henry has hard act to follow



Henry Shanahan



Ken Roberts

Henry Shanahan has taken over as our new South Wales Branch Secretary following the retirement of Ken Roberts after 15 years in the job.

Henry was Secretary of Mountain Ash Hibernian Band & Musical Institute from 1980 to 1990 following a spell as a Committee member and as Assistant Secretary. During the 80s he passed the CMD examination and was Secretary of Cardiff General & Municipal Workers Club, running both clubs simultaneously for a while. He was elected to the Branch Executive in 2007, after being co-opted the previous year.

"Many clubs have made use of Ken's extensive knowledge and experience over the years," he said. "I will be endeavouring to deliver the same service you've come to expect from the South Wales branch over the last 15 years."

Ken Roberts took over as Branch Secretary from Colin Hughes in 1999. He has been a member of the National Executive since 2002 and will continue to serve on the Executive; he has also been editor of *Club Journal* since 2011.

Ken has been Secretary of Cwmaman WMC since 1983 where as well as having to cancel a Stereophonics gig (see Page 2) he remembers Tom Jones coming third in a talent contest.

Despite his Welsh accent, he grew up in Jarrow and only moved to Wales when he was 15. He still gets back to the North East to watch his beloved Sunderland and also regularly causes confusion by supporting the England rugby and football teams.

\* Tonyrefail WMC Club Secretary Mal Buck has just become an Internet sensation after footage of the club falling silent as he sang the Welsh love song Myfanwy was posted on Facebook.

The video was taken by carpenter David Llewelyn Morgan and has drawn comments from around the world. "He was encouraged by the rest of us to sing it as we've heard him sing it before," said David. "There was a male voice choir visiting that night, which I'm sure you can hear supporting him towards the end. It was a great moment and I'm glad I filmed it."

The song was written by Joseph Parry in 1875 with lyrics by Richard Davies and was recently the subject of a programme on Radio 4. You can see the video at <http://www.walesonline.co.uk/news/local-news/watch-heart-warming-moment-welsh-workingmens-7642034>

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Sara Simpson pulls a pint of real ale.

Below: the residents' lounge has been turned into a smart bar.

# GO-AHEAD CLUB P

The Union's former Convalescent Home at Saltburn has a new 21st century look as the leading club in this gem on the north Yorkshire coast.

Hayes WMC in West London, probably the CIU's most successful club, bought the building earlier this year and, freed from some of the restrictions that applied when it belonged to the Union, have set about making it both busy and profitable.

The building is now officially part of Hayes Club and the new look starts with a reception desk in the new entrance way, which now resembles a club entrance. The main sitting room, which had a small bar off it, has been transformed into a spacious bar/lounge and a French door leads to an outdoor sitting area, which proved amazingly popular during the warm days of July.

"The seats were permanently occupied and as soon as someone stood up to go somebody else was in their seat," said Hayes Club Secretary Bob Daybell. "We've had tremendous support from the local people. I don't think we could have done what we have done without them."

As we reported at the time the club has offered membership to club members in the town, where the last Union club, Lune Street, closed last year. The bar has operated as a busy club bar, with a regular guest ale on hand pull alongside regular Heineken UK keg beers and lagers, and has proved popular with both guests and locals. Many of those staying at a caravan



Assistant Manager Joanna Valentine and Ron Sturgess outside Saltburn House.



park across the road have also taken membership to use the bar, which has Sport and free WiFi.

A small office near the entrance has been a busy cellar. "We didn't expect to sell in year," said Bob. "But we're on track to sell." "Like any club we can't just sit back and in, however, so we have karaoke and live music. As much as £3,000 taken over the bar on. Hayes demonstrated their commitment £50,000 on improving the building b

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One of the newly-refurbished bedrooms and the view down to the sea.



# POLISHES PEASE'S GEM



returned as Manager as has award-winning gardener Ian Harrison and the staffing for high season is up to 19 including six bar staff and four chefs.

While Saltburn's three wings are sapphire, ruby and emerald its high vaulted dining room is the real gem here. The club has been running a very successful carvery with Sunday lunches and children's menus particularly popular. It's now working at creating more of a restaurant atmosphere with tables for two rather than the previous refectory style. Bar meals are also offered next door in the bar.

The three wings are named after jewels because when Darlington industrialist and Quaker Henry Pease founded this delightful clifftop town in 1860, he had a vision that he could recreate Jerusalem. As its 12 foundation stones were named after each of the 12 apostles and were adorned with a jewel so the main streets in Saltburn are named after jewels.

In 1872 Saltburn House was constructed as a convalescent home for workers in his ironstone mines by Joseph Pease with white bricks from his own brickworks and in 1909 it was sold to the Union, which the Peases regarded as a similarly philanthropic organisation with its roots in the temperance movement. It wasn't until the mid-90s that even a small bar was constructed in the building.

The Union upgraded the building's 24 bedrooms at the turn of this century to make them all en suite and Hayes have embarked on a programme of modernisation and redecoration, starting with the emerald wing. Saltburn regularly hosted the Union's education schools

and our Club Law Weekend returns from October 17-19. What was the snooker room at the end of the building has now been turned into a conference room that can seat 80, creating another opportunity for the club.

"Last month it hosted a school for the Durham miners," said Bob. "We also think it would be good for children's parties or as a function room.

"The only drawback, of course, is that the sea views could prove a distraction to the students."

The schools have always had a reputation of mixing work with pleasure and when those first students return Saltburn House will be ready for them.



The jewel in the crown. The dining room at Saltburn with its vaulted ceiling was designed that way by Henry Pease to keep his convalescing workers' minds on spiritual matters.

and Hayes WMC Vice-President

ken advantage of temporary has both Sky Sports and BT

been turned into what is now sell more than 100 barrels this to sell about 350.

and expect people to come and live music. We've seen as on a busy Saturday night."

ment to Saltburn by spending ng before Christmas – even though contracts weren't

exchanged until March – and it meant they were able

to offer Christmas dinner at £30 a head in their new carvery. This year New Year

is already fully booked and Christmas is expected to be full as well. They will be

trying many of the packages pioneered by former Manager Tom Balls such as

the racing weekends and golf weeks and seeing how they go.

Maxine Howes has



Gardener Ian Harrison in front of Saltburn's vegetable patch.



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# Three more join select band

**EDUCATION**  
CATH FITZPATRICK

Three more people have gained the Club Management Diploma and joined the select band who can have the initials CMD after their name.

The Union's acclaimed long distance learning course has been running since 1934 and until comparatively recently fewer people had passed both the law and accountancy exams to gain the CMD than had won the Victoria Cross.

Top of the list joining that band is North Staffordshire Branch Executive member Peter Pulham, from Newcastle WMC, who came top in accountancy this year; he passed the law exam last year.

First place in law went to Lloyd Keating from Hemsworth West End Club near Wakefield, while runner-up Steven Marshall from Rubery SC near Birmingham and third-placed June Read from the Sportsman's Club in Winchester both passed accountancy as well to gain their CMD. The names of all those who passed one or more sections are listed (left).

The CMD course only costs £32 and is recommended to any club member whether they are an official or not. The course comes in six monthly instalments, beginning in October, which are posted to your home address. They need to be read in conjunction with the Union's two key publications "Club Book-keeping and Financial Control" and "Five Hundred Points in Club Law", which can be obtained from your Branch Office. Many Branches also have tutors who are there to give advice and encouragement to students.

To enrol fill in the form on this page. As we report on the previous pages the Union is returning to Saltburn House, now part of Hayes WMC, for its autumn law weekend. An application form can be obtained from me at Head Office.

## CLUB MANAGEMENT DIPLOMAS 2014

NAME	CLUB	BRANCH	HONOURS
June Read	Sportsman's Club (Winchester)	Wessex	3rd Place Law Accy 2013
Peter Pulham	Newcastle (Staffs) WMC	N. Staffs	1st Place Accy Law 2013
Steven Marshall	Rubery SC	W. Midlands	2nd Place Law 3rd Accy

## CLUB LAW 2014

NAME	CLUB	BRANCH	HONOURS
Lloyd Keating	Hemsworth West End Club	Wakefield	1st Place Law
Steven Marshall	Rubery SC	W. Midlands	*2nd Place Law
June Read	Sportsman's Club (Winchester)	Wessex	*3rd Place Law

## CLUB ACCOUNTANCY 2014

NAME	CLUB	BRANCH	HONOURS
Peter Pulham	Newcastle (Staffs) WMC	N. Staffs	*1st Place Accy
Sally Ann Turton	Bolton-upon Dearne Ex-servicemens & SC	S. Yorkshire	2nd Place Accy
Steven Marshall	Rubery SC	W. Midlands	3rd Place Accy

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# Three sides complete final line-up



## The Qualifiers

The National Final will be held at Alvaston & Crewton Social Club in Derby at 1pm on Sunday, September 7. The qualifiers are:

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



Northumberland Branch Secretary Dave Richardson presents the winners' cheque to Gosforth Empire captain Peter Robson watched by (left to right): Mike Foden, Barry Howbridge and Keith Marshall.

The line-up for this year's Dransfields/CIU National Quiz Final has now been completed after an exciting finish to the North East final at Lemington Social Club in Newcastle.

Coming into the final pair of rounds four teams were in contention. The National Reserve Club from Sunderland, who finished third in last year's national final, were edged out of the top three, however, despite being able to identify a mystery personality from this clue alone for five points. "I grew up in America and England as my father was a foreign correspondent. He covered the moon landings and at 11 I held hands with Neil Armstrong's Secretary as he stepped on the moon.



I have a first class degree in archaeology and anthropology from Girton College, Cambridge. In 2012 I succeeded Sheila

Hancock as Chancellor of Portsmouth University."

For two points teams were told she was the presenter of the News Quiz and for any teams or readers still in doubt for one point they were told she's the world's most famous Danish Lesbian.

The result meant that one team each from Tyneside, Wearside and Teesside – champions Gosforth Empire, runners-up Newbottle WMC and third-placed Stockton Malleable will be heading to Derby on September 7.

For the second year running Mick Frith from Newbottle WMC (above) had the closest answer to the raciest spot prize question – the price paid for Napoleon's penis in 1974 (2,000 dollars, around £1250) and he won a case of Foster's from co-sponsors Heineken.

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Telephone: (020) 8573 1721

e-mail: bobdaybell@aol.com

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Please contact Secretary Mrs P. Webster. Tel: (01604) 456 602 [www.stjameswmc.co.uk](http://www.stjameswmc.co.uk)

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### Hawthorn Recreational & Social Club

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Tel: (01302) 535 995

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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.

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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.

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

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Please contact the Secretary.

Tel: (024) 7672 4830; Office: (024) 7672 4832.

## WEST COUNTRY

### THE ANZAC CLUB

Anzac Street, Dartmouth, Devon TQ6 9DJ

(01803) 832661

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Contact Secretary Alan Campbell on

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## CLUB NOTICES

### Expulsions

Mrs B Dade, Penywaun Club & Institute, Mid Glamorgan  
Mr K F Dade, Penywaun Club & Institute, Mid Glamorgan  
Victor Shearman (No.453), United Services Club (Rainham), Kent  
Brian Moorcroft (No.755), United Services Club (Rainham), Kent  
Mr S Archer (1647) Weoley Castle WMC, Birmingham

### Suspensions Expiring on Dates Mentioned

Mr Terry Lynch (15 July 2015)  
Buffs Social Club, Stockton-on-Tees

## Members Corner

## Coffee Club Mornings

### Hello Club Members

### Informative articles which affect our lives

by Dione Mobley

If you normally meet friends for coffee in a café why not invite them to a Coffee morning instead.

Coffee Club meetings are becoming quite popular and even "trendy" for a variety of reasons and they create a good way to bring people together to socialise with friends and neighbours.

They can be open to everyone from the young to the elderly in your local community. They can be organised and hosted in your local club, home, mother toddler group or local church as frequently as you would like.

Just a few hours a day once a week, may be a very welcome treat for busy mums with toddlers to sit down and just take a break from their daily routine at home. Or for the elderly person, who may not have many relatives or visitors and would enjoy having a social outing to avoid feeling isolated in the community.

Coffee mornings can be a great way to raise funds and the host may like to consider having a stall or table selling homemade cakes and biscuits. Alternatively, a small shop may be interested in selling their goods and giving you a percentage of their takings.

Don't forget to tell all your friends and encourage people to invite or bring along guests when you have organised a coffee morning. This can be a good way to introduce new members into your local club or group.

Remember, you do not necessarily only have to serve coffee, as some people may prefer alternatives like tea or a soft drink.

Instead of spending money in a café you can raise funds if you ask the guests to donate what they would have spent elsewhere, if you have a club or favourite charity you would like to support.....



## To pun or not to pun - that is the question of the century (3,2)

This is the 100th crossword created for *Club Journal* by our compiler Professor Rebus. The Professor, who also compiles Pitcherwits for the *Daily Mail*, as well as other conventional crosswords, says he is privileged to follow in the footsteps of the late Frank Harrison from Brockley Social in South London, and still fondly remembers one of Frank's great clues: "Damn what you're doing (5,4)."

Married, with three children and three grandchildren, the Prof lives and works in his beloved, adoptive Derbyshire - which he calls "God's own county" - and loves walking in the local countryside as well as listening to, and playing, music, especially on the harmonica. He also likes riding, rowing, fell-walking and rock-climbing, and dreams of some day exploring the Lake District with a microlight.

After a working life in the steel industry (learning how to swear properly), and in education (where the swearing had to be silent!) he hopes he has successfully picked up Frank's baton and likes the thought that occasionally he can make folk smile at his wacky way of looking at things and maybe matching that clue of Frank's - which was for cross word.

• The Prof has also written his own headline - if you haven't worked it out, it's a clue for ton up.

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Tel: 0116 2864911 Fax: 0116 2869030

## PRIZE CROSSWORD

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

### ACROSS

- How afterthoughts include a (gentle) blow... (4)
- Stigma brought about by too much alcohol! (4)
- Blind padre is in difficulties. (5)
- Aerial gun shot to pieces with nervous pain. (9)
- Capacitance of a distant sales pitch? (5)
- Back street set out as a shelf support. (7)
- Somewhat reasonable to have a crime against the government! (7)
- Gone astray in the Orient. (4)
- Bird I shift inside. (6)
- Sales of beer... (3)
- Deceive, but not the old goat. (3)
- Could Alun be back in space cloud? (6)

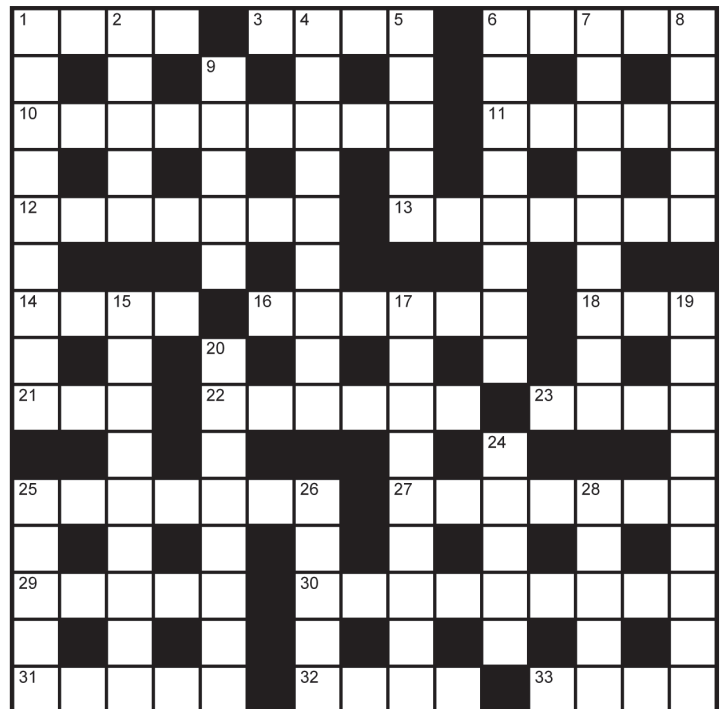
- Scorch the profit, say. (4)
- Submit to the topic. (7)
- Threatening, being loaded with hay? (7)
- Sing - in the merchant navy! (5)
- Elite, alas, could not be feeling restful. (3,2,4)
- Classed generally as habitat for marsh plant. (5)
- Reduced lesson is on/off. (4)
- It's Delft but left, not dextrous. (4)

### DOWN

- Bike, drawn to resemble shelter. (4-5)
- Man-goat takes over a set of animals. (5)
- Illuminating feature - of little weight? (5,4)
- Respond to damaged crate... (5)
- Fed fried rubbish - and disagreed! (8)
- It's all around the globe - but areas cope

- differently. (9)
- (From the side) "It's the finale, live!" (3-2)
- Got away with kidding you, although clumsy, firstly. (5)
- Furniture before your ear, man. (9)
- Is this the courage of green and fairway? (4-5)
- Joining - in carpet form? (9)
- Loosen steel nut and shake up. (8)
- Writing tablet to pan... (5)
- Garments that are legend-ary? (5)
- Whistler - he's out (sort of) to twiddle. (5)
- Thrower sort - supplied by 'paramour'. (5)

Send your entry to Crossword, Powdene Publicity, Unit 17, St Peter's Wharf, Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 1TZ, to reach us by September 30th.



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Address.....  
Club.....

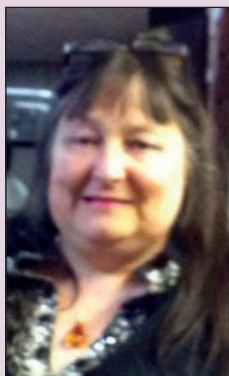
## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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

David Carlyon of Cynon Valley Band Club, South Wales;  
Donald Parnell of Underbank WMC, Holmfirth;  
Mrs S Gibbs of Swaythling WMC, Southampton;  
John Scott of Westborough Ratepayers, Heavy Woollen Branch; and  
John Anderson of Newcastle upon Tyne RA0B,



## Have a beer for Bev



A Northamptonshire village club has held a fundraising beer festival to honour the memory of their Stewardess, who has died at the age of 54.

Bev Peacock (pictured) had been Stewardess at Woodford WMC near Kettering for 16 years and had been a strong advocate of the club hosting a beer festival. After she died the Committee decided to ensure she got her wish and held the festival to raise money for the Finedon Ward and Kidney Centre at Northampton General Hospital. Club Secretary Wayne Judkins, who organised the festival, said: "Bev had been

here pretty much since the club started. She was our stewardess for 16 years - this was like her second home.

"Before she passed away we were talking about doing a beer festival, so we decided to carry it on and put her name on it. It's going to be our little tribute."

Almost 200 people attended the two-day event in late July and raised £230. Live music entertained the crowds on the Friday and there was also a range of outdoor fun and games on the following night. Next year the club hope to raise money for the local Air Ambulance and they plan each year to choose a different charity in honour of Bev.

The club has recently opened a new kitchen and function room thanks to a £9,500 Lottery grant. "It's looking great and it has helped us improve our facilities for the whole community," said Wayne.

"A couple of years ago we were really struggling to keep going and it was looking very bleak. A new Committee were elected and decided to get the kitchen and function room up to scratch to get in functions such as weddings. We were so happy to receive the grant and even more so now we can see the fruits of our hard work."



Kevin and Yvonne Smyth continue to be strong supporters of the CIU National Quiz, and this year represented Kingsley Park WMC in Northampton at this year's Midlands heat near Coventry where Yvonne won one of our spot prizes. They are pictured with Warwickshire Branch Secretary Graham Holt and Vince Timmons from sponsors Dransfields.

## Kevin's recovery continues

It's now four years since the Union's former General Secretary Kevin Smyth suffered a massive stroke brought on by a haemorrhage.

He continues his slow recovery aided by his wife Yvonne, a nurse who specialises in this area. Thanks in part to her efforts he can now walk about 400 yards unaided and, although his speech is restricted, he manages to make himself understood. He keeps a keen interest in Union business and current affairs and after watching the first two quarter-finals of the World Cup confidently predicted Germany would beat Brazil - though not by 7-1!

Kevin and Yvonne recently attended the funeral of former National Accounts supplier Derick Clifton. Derick, who with his late wife Monica, ran York-based bingo ticket suppliers DM Club Supplies, was 84 and was well know to many Branch officials and National Executive members.



## Champions at first shot

Rogerstone & Bassaleg Social Club entered a pool team in the Newport & District Pool League and they won their division at the first attempt.

The team is run by Steve Taylor, who is pictured (right) with (left to right): Jason Cullen, Will Shaw and Alwyn Williams. Other players that are not pictured are Terry Harris, Dan Jones and David Jacobson.

## Now for the drinkers

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We have had various initiatives designed to counter problem drinkers and the loud minority of mindless criminals intent on trouble. The beer duty escalator meant our clubs had to put up prices while supermarkets absorbed the costs and drastically widened the differential between on and off-trade prices causing people to drink at home in unsocial and uncontrolled surroundings.

And now we have Tracey Crouch, having the temerity to say that Britons have low understanding of the health problems alcohol contributes to such as cancer, heart disease, strokes and liver disease. The media is awash with dire warnings of the effect of over-indulgence and doctors' surgeries have posters plastered all over their walls and warnings on their in-house TVs.

There are dozens of things that can and do maim and kill and, as long as the risks are clearly understood by those who participate, and do not impinge on others' health or safety, it is not any Government's place to interfere. The Government would not dream of stopping rugby, football, driving cars or even sitting outside breathing in diesel fumes.

The continued demonisation of alcohol is going to close many more clubs and pubs than even the smoking ban. To try to reverse the damage already done Government needs to:

- discriminate positively in favour of on-trade businesses so that drinking out for the whole evening in a comfortable, controlled and safe environment becomes the norm. The Union is seeking a reduction to 5% on VAT charged for product sold and consumed on the premises. This would significantly reduce the cost of a pint which, when matched with all the facilities a social club offers, makes going out for the whole evening a lot more attractive.
- allow separate smoking rooms in clubs. Many clubs cannot afford the cost but perhaps the Government could give grants as they caused the problem in the first place?
- and, simplest of all, allow those under 18 to play bingo with a responsible adult.

There is a very serious problem of members of the older generation home alone and drinking themselves into a stupor. Research has shown that going out with like-minded people at least once a month is as good for your health as giving up smoking. We don't know how much the NHS spends on its mostly-futile programmes to try to stop people smoking. It would surely be better if a fraction of that money was spent helping charities like Age UK organise regular trips to our clubs.

This could be to play bingo, enjoy live entertainment, play cards, snooker or darts or any other games or simply meet others and have a chat and a drop of pop. In other words, treat us like adults and give thousands of people their lives back.

## Race Discounts

(All offers Tattersalls unless stated otherwise)

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)  
 CHEPSTOW: ..... Saturday 25th October .....£12 (normally £20)  
 NEWBURY:..... Saturday 25th October .....£14 (normally £18)  
 KELSO: ..... Saturday 8th November ..... £9 (normally £15)  
 FFOS LAS:..... Sunday 9th November .....£10 (normally £16)

**UTTOXETER:..... Marston's Beer Festival**  
 ..... Saturday 15th November.....£10 (normally £20)

WETHERBY:..... Saturday 15th November... £15 (normally £25.95)  
 HAYDOCK: ..... Saturday 22nd November .....£12 (normally £22)  
 LEICESTER: ..... Sunday 30th November..... £7 (normally £12)  
 CHEPSTOW: ..... Saturday 6th December .....£12 (normally £20)  
 KELSO: ..... Sunday 7th December .....£11 (normally £18)  
 HAYDOCK: ..... Saturday 20th December.....£11 (normally £20)  
 NEWCASTLE:..... Saturday 20th December  
 ..... £13 including free drink (normally £20.90)  
 LEICESTER: ..... Sunday 28th December..... £9 (normally £16)  
 NEWBURY:..... Monday 29th December .....£14 (normally £18)  
 HAYDOCK: ..... Tuesday 30th December..... £7.50 (normally £13)  
 UTTOXETER:..... Wednesday 31st December.....£10 (normally £18)

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

**For Wetherby make cheque payable to Wetherby Steeplechase Committee**

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.

# Charity day is at Wetherby again



Members of Farsley WMC with trainer Donald McCain, whose horse Supreme Asset won the Best Turned Out award.

The Union is returning to Wetherby for its National Charity Raceday after last year's day hit a new record.

A total of 1,597 CIU Racing Club members including an incredible 257 from Farsley WMC in Leeds attended what was the Union's 22nd charity raceday meaning Racecourse Chairman John Sanderson was able to hand over a cheque for nearly £3,200 to Union President George Dawson.

This year's raceday will take place on Saturday, November 15. The Yorkshire course have raised the price for the first time in three years. Combined Paddock admission entry for £15 per person will include:

- A bespoke Paddock admission badge for entry to the racecourse and use of the exclusive CIU Paddock Marquee (Normal Paddock Admission £16)
- An official race programme (worth £2.50)
- Pie and peas voucher (worth £4.95)
- Five 50p off a pint vouchers (worth £2.50)

This offers a saving to each racegoer of nearly £11. In addition the racecourse and their caterers CGC Events will donate £1 each from every ticket sale to the Union's Education Fund.

Wetherby Chief Executive Jonjo Sanderson said: "We are extremely delighted to welcome back all our friends from the CIU again this year. Wetherby takes great pride in hosting the CIU National Charity Raceday, which we have done since 2006, and the continued support from all the CIU clubs, both in our immediate area and beyond, has been truly outstanding, and we very much hope that all the members enjoy their day racing with us again this year."



## CIU RACING CLUB

THE CIU Racing Club uses the bulk buying power of our 1,600 clubs to obtain special discounts from racecourses. You can make a booking by filling in the form on this page along with a cheque made out to the appropriate racecourse.

To obtain the discount we send all the forms to the racecourse together as

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

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

## Comeback kid Gary pots the CIU title



Gary Wilson with the trophy and (below) celebrating with his supporters.

As reported last month Gary Wilson from Wallsend RAOB on Tyneside is our new National Snooker champion. He defeated South Wales Branch champion Rhydian Richards from Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club 4-0 in the final at Denton WMC in Manchester. Gary, who is 29, is a former winner of the UK under-18 title and after turning professional in 2003 he won the world under-21 championship in 2004. After a spell working as a taxi

driver, he is back on the professional circuit – so will not be able to defend his title – and last season reached the world's top 64 and made his first 147 in a professional tournament.

The game was played in a good atmosphere with a large friendly crowd watching. Rhydian Richards was unfortunate to run into Gary on top form as he played a blinder and also racked up the tournament's highest break of 130, beating Rhydian's previous best of 120.

Draws have been sent out for the first round of the 2014/15 Individual Snooker Championship as well as the Team Darts, Team Snooker and Team Pool. Results can as always be found on the Union's website: [www.wmciu.org.uk](http://www.wmciu.org.uk)



Manchester Branch Secretary Geoff Blakeley presents the runner-up's salver to Rhydian Richards.



The Tour de Club team in action.

## TOUR DE CLUB RAISES £1500

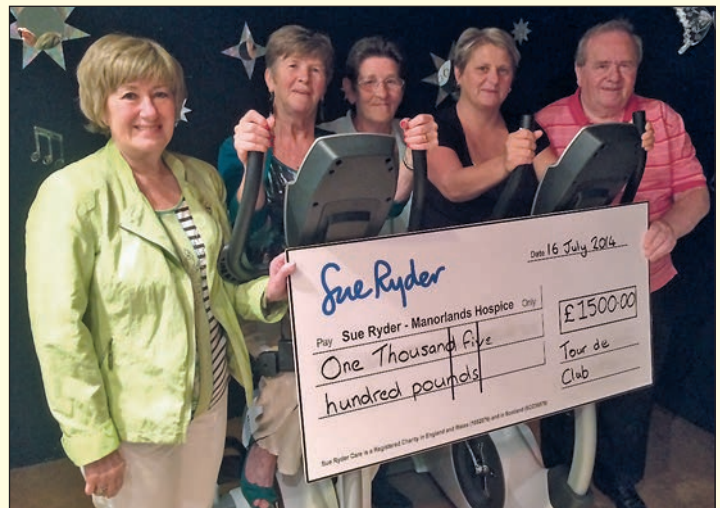
A group of Yorkshire Tour de France fans have helped raise more than £1,500 with a sponsored cycle ride – without leaving their club. The group – 11 Committee members at Cross Hills Social Club near Keighley plus relief steward Laura Clissold – didn't just watch the Tour as it came within a mile of the club. Instead they celebrated the Yorkshire Grand Depart by spending 30 minutes at a time pedalling on exercise bikes in fancy dress on the club's function room stage while the race was being shown on a big screen.

The Tour de Club, as it was called – the club even printed special T-shirts – saw each of the riders sponsored by the minute to raise money for Manorlands, the local Sue Ryder palliative care centre; a tombola and bike raffle were also held to bring in additional funds, which were presented recently to Manorlands fundraiser Andrew Wood.

Five of the team are in their 70s: Carol Booth, Terry Burden, Mollie Dixon, Barry Reay and Roy Tuley. "This was a great team effort by everyone involved at the club," said Club Secretary Anita Robertson, who organised the event.

"We are grateful to all those who sponsored our team and the local businesses who supported the raffle and other activities. Manorlands does a fantastic job and we were delighted to support it."

The Tour passed close to the club, which is halfway between Keighley and Skipton, on the second day when the cyclists travelled through Keighley on their way from York to Sheffield.



Pictured (left to right) with the cheque are: Mollie Dixon, Carol Booth, Terry Burden, Anita Robertson and Barry Reay.