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CIU members set for a warm welcome in Blackpool

The Norbreck Castle Hotel in Blackpool will host the Union's Annual Meeting in April



The Union's Conference Weekend will take place in Blackpool this month with the Annual Meeting scheduled for the morning of Saturday, April 8 at the Norbreck Castle Hotel and the 26th CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition is being held the day before at the same venue.

"Conference Weekend is without a doubt the most important date in the Union calendar," said Union President George Dawson CMD.

"This is the one time in the year when all our clubs can gather together in one place to debate the key issues facing our members and celebrate the fact that our clubs continue to have a really positive influence in the communities which they serve.

"I'm really looking forward to meeting Union members from all over the country and hope that as many of them as possible attend the Beer & Trades Exhibition on Friday afternoon and the Dransfields CIU National Quiz Final on Saturday afternoon straight after the AGM.

"We've had a fantastic turnout for the Exhibition since relaunching it two years ago and attendees can be certain that they will receive the best possible advice on boosting business in their club from a number of major suppliers."

Among the suppliers attending in 2017 are: Ace Furniture, Aon, Avensure, BOC, BT

Sport, CAMRA, Dransfields, Heineken, Red Tooth and Smart Energy.

The Trades Exhibition gives club members a chance to receive specialist business advice in an informal setting, as well as to enjoy free refreshments and fun activities, including several bingo sessions run by Preferred Supplier Dransfields, who will also be showcasing their latest gaming and entertainment machines.

Rounding off the weekend, immediately following the Annual Meeting, will be the Dransfields CIU National Quiz Final, where the winners and runners-up from each of the Regional Heats (completed in January and February) will compete for the prestigious trophy and £500 first prize.

CIU members are invited to come along and take part in the Quiz Final in the 'just for fun' category where they can win a number of 'spot' prizes.

BLACKPOOL 2017 SCHEDULE

Friday, April 7, 1pm

26th CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition

Saturday, April 8, 10am

Annual Meeting

Saturday, April 8, 1pm

Dransfields CIU National Quiz Final

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CIU branches attend Heineken racing event

Last month saw members of four local CIU branches attend an event at the John Smith's Stadium in Huddersfield – home of Huddersfield Town FC and Rugby League side Huddersfield Giants – organised by the Union's Preferred Supplier of Beer and Cider, Heineken UK.

As well as enjoying the latest Heineken products at the bar, guests were treated to live televised racing from the Cheltenham Festival and were able to place bets with an on-site bookmaker.

Attendees also took part in a live 'Q&A' session with former Huddersfield Giants Rugby League star Eorl Crabtree, nephew of legendary wrestler Shirley 'Big Daddy' Crabtree.

EDITOR'S LETTER

Welcome to the April issue of *Club Journal* as our members gather in Blackpool for Conference Weekend 2017, the highlight of the Union calendar.

On Saturday, April 8, the 154th Annual Meeting will take place at the Norbreck Castle Hotel and we look forward to the usual high standard of debate by the assembled delegates as well as speeches by The Worshipful The Mayor of Blackpool, Councillor Kath Rowson and *Daily Mirror* Political Correspondent Paul Routledge.

The 26th Beer & Trades Exhibition will be staged on the afternoon of Friday, April 7 – also at the Norbreck Castle Hotel – and will give visitors the chance to talk to club suppliers about ways of boosting their club finances as well as being able to network with members of other clubs.

You can also sample the latest drinks offerings from Preferred Supplier Heineken UK and discover all the latest services and products from a myriad of other suppliers which could be driving trade over the next 12 months and beyond.

In addition, the Trade Show will have plenty of fun activities which the Trades Exhibition delegates can take part in.

Dransfields will be showcasing their latest gaming and entertainment machines and will also be running regular bingo sessions and other games throughout the afternoon with some fantastic prizes for the winners.

Naturally, the CIU stand will take pride of place at the show so please do make sure you come along to find out about the Union's services and products which are designed to make the lives of all club officials somewhat easier as they go about the day-to-day business of running their clubs.

On Saturday, following the conclusion of the Annual Meeting, the Dransfields CIU National Quiz Final will be held in the Boston Suite of the Norbreck Castle Hotel where some of the country's finest quiz brains will be competing for the prestigious national title.

Even if your club is not participating in the Final please do come along and enjoy the event – you can form a team on the day and



play along for fun and there will be free beer and a buffet available, plus some 'spot' prizes.

And, of course, while they are in town, delegates will no doubt take the time to visit one of the many CIU affiliated clubs in Blackpool where they are assured of a warm welcome by the home members.

Enjoy the issue and I hope you have a fun and productive time in Blackpool.

Stephen Goulding, Editor

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Wyken WMC raises over £15,000 for Myton Hospice



Members of Wyken WMC in Coventry have raised over £15,000 for Myton Hospice and recently presented the latest cheque for £1,015 to the charity. Pictured, left to right: Ken Green (Vice-President of Wyken WMC), Claire McDowell of Myton Hospice and Mavis Langford (Club Member and Fundraiser, Wyken WMC)

Hetten Victory Club presents cheque to Macmillan



Hetten Victory Club recently presented a cheque for £4,500 to the Macmillan Cancer Fund. The fundraising activities included an all-night darts, dominoes and pool marathon, while one member, Meg Wardle, had her head shaved for charity, raising a mammoth £1,500. Pictured, left to right: Steve Hodgson, Hillary Walker, John Greenhow, June Gale, Ian Wilson, Lynda Marriot, Lynda Heath, Heather Wardle, Meg Wardle, Holly Forsyth and Bethany Meadows

The Richmond Place Club hosts darts event on April 30

The Richmond Place Club in Hereford will stage its latest Charity Open Darts Singles Competition on Sunday, April 30.

This highly anticipated event will benefit the Herefordshire Prostate Cancer Testing Fund and costs £8 to enter.

There will be a £500 prize for the winner of the competition, while the runner-up will receive £200.

Club Secretary Les Walker said: "We're looking forward to a fantastic day of high-quality darts and there are sure to be some well-known names among the entrants.

"The club is very grateful to Dransfields for supporting this great charity event and here's hoping we raise a huge total for this amazing cause."

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Foster's undergoes brand update with new font and glassware for on-trade



Heineken has unveiled a new look for Foster's which aims to highlight the lager's "refreshing flavour and showcase the brand's Australian heritage."

Rolling out to customers in the on-trade from April, the brand's new look has been updated to appeal more to today's beer drinkers. The brand's lettering has been made more prominent on packaging and glassware and a modern silver font with blue accents for on-trade customers has also been unveiled.

Ifeoma Dozie, mainstream beers director at Heineken, said: "The beer category has changed significantly in recent years but the fact is Foster's remains one of the top-selling beer brands in the country, much loved for its refreshing taste and Australian personality."

Foster's will continue its partnership with the English Cricket Board (ECB) following its successful, inaugural sponsorship in 2016, which generated high positive awareness for the brand.

Fuller's supports Seafarers UK charity
For the 12th consecutive year, brewer Fuller's is launching initiatives to help raise funds for Seafarers UK which celebrates its 100th anniversary this year.

Money is donated from each pint of Seafarers Ale sold (3.6% ABV) and outlets are encouraged to hold fund-raising events during Seafarers Awareness Week, June 24-30.

• www.fullers.co.uk/beer/explore-our-beers/seafarers

NEWS IN BRIEF

Heineken launches Bulmers Orchard Pioneers cider brand

Heineken, the Preferred Supplier of Beer and Cider to the Union, is expanding its cider offering to include two new artisanal apple ciders under the Bulmers brand, Bulmers Orchard Pioneers – a collaboration with two apple growers in Herefordshire.

Artisanal apple cider is deemed to be one of the key category drivers over the next four years, and Bulmers Orchard Pioneers has been crafted to help drive this growth by bridging the gap between mainstream apple cider and more premium, artisanal apple cider from a trusted brand.

Bulmers has partnered up with two apple growing experts and cider makers from Herefordshire, Kier Rogers and Sarah Hawkins to launch two variants:

Sarah's Red Apple Cider: a medium bodied sparkling apple cider, with the subtle bittersweet taste of true Herefordshire apples.

Kier's Cloudy Apple Cider: a medium bodied sparkling apple cider, with the flavour of fresh apple juice and subtle caramel sweetness.

Emma Sherwood-Smith, Cider Director at Heineken, said: "Bulmers is a brand with a rich cider making heritage and provenance.

"The relationship with growers has always been at the heart of our cider business, from the late 19th century when the company encouraged locals to grow apple trees on their land, to the present day."

• www.heineken.co.uk

Brian Swainston is honoured at Burnley Wood CC



At their recent Annual General Meeting, Burnley Wood Conservative Club in the Burnley & Pendle Branch, honoured one of their long serving Committee men Brian Swainston, who received his 10-year Service Certificate. Pictured, left to right: Alan Broxton (Club President), Allan Harwood (Branch Executive), Brian Swainston (Club Committee Member) and Janet Swainston (Club Vice-President)

West Midlands Branch Election Results

Branch Secretary (appointed)

Jack Haughey

Branch President

Geoff Whewell

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Alex Royle

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CLUB NOTICES

Expulsion

Mr Billy White - Sundridge Park Club WMC & Institute
(Expulsion: January 17, 2017)

Clubs Expelled (Proprietary)

Pontllanfraith WM Social Club (Monmouthshire)
Saffron Lane Estate Club (Leicestershire)

'Royle' visit as Tomlinson heads to Coxlodge Social Club



Ricky Tomlinson, *The Royle Family* and *Brookside* star, will be appearing at Coxlodge Social Club in Gosforth on Saturday, April 27

Actor and comedian Ricky Tomlinson will be appearing at Coxlodge Social Club in Gosforth on Saturday, April 27.

Liverpool-born Ricky, best known for his role as Jim in BBC comedy *The Royle Family* and as the star of *Mike Bassett England Manager*, will be on stage to answer questions about his life and stellar career.

"I have heard so many great things about the Coxlodge Club, regarding the way it has become such a vibrant venue and very popular in Newcastle," Ricky told the *Northern Echo*.

"I love my visits to this area. Those clubs that are doing it right are staying afloat and surviving – putting shows on that people

want to leave the telly for and get down to support their local."

Ricky added: "Scousers and Geordies are very similar so we always get along well together and we know what it's like to share the good and not so good times!

"Laughter gives everybody a great lift and is a great tonic so that is what will be on order when I get to Newcastle in April."

Tickets for what is sure to be an extremely popular event are available to members and non-members at £15 apiece.

For more information about the event, contact Club Secretary John Coppinger on 07946 622538 or visit the club website: www.coxlodgeclub.com

New Hesledon Social Club salute father and son stalwarts



George Smith, Durham Branch Secretary, presented New Hesledon Social Club stalwarts, father and son, John and David Treweeke with their awards for a combined total of 65 years service to the club movement. Pictured, left to right: George Smith, John Treweeke (Club President), John Hughes (Club Secretary), David Treweeke (Club Vice-President) and Ian Wilson (No.5 Division Secretary)



FOR SERVICE

50-Year Club Service Award

Dave Brawn, Earls Barton United Working Men's Club, South East Midlands

Certificate of Merit

Anthony Cawood, Bramley Band WM Club & Institute, Leeds

Long Service Award

David Miller, Torrisholme Jubilee Social WM Club, Cumbria

Bernard Brockbank, Torrisholme Jubilee Social WM Club, Cumbria

Donald Blackmore, Torrisholme Jubilee Social WM Club, Cumbria

Clarice Goodman, Earls Barton United WM Club, South East Midlands

Distinguished Service Award

Peter Pearce, Main Line Social Club (Leeds), Leeds

Brian Hamilton, Prudhoe & District United Service Club, Northumberland

NEWS IN BRIEF

Reminder to send FCA returns within seven months of financial year end



Clubs are reminded that the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) no longer sends Annual Return forms to societies and clubs.

The FCA has also ceased to issue reminders.

Forms can be downloaded from the FCA website at:

<http://www.FCA.org.uk/firms/mutual-societies-forms>

For further information please contact the CIU Head Office Manager at: sgoulding@wmciu.org

The Real Thing set for concert at Leigh Park WMC

Leigh Park Working Men's Club in Havant, Hampshire, is set to host a concert by top British soul band The Real Thing.

Formed in 1970 in Liverpool, the band was one of the most successful soul acts in Britain during their heyday with their song 'You To Me Are Everything' reaching No.1 in the UK charts in 1976 as well as making an impact internationally.

Now they will bring their inimitable brand of soul music to Leigh Park WMC on Friday, April 21.

Tickets cost £12.50 to club members and their guests (18 years and above).



Soul band The Real Thing play at Leigh Park WMC on April 21

For more information on this fantastic concert, visit the club's website: www.workingmensclubleighpark.co.uk or call the Club Secretary/Steward on 0239 2472624.

Reminder to clubs over Subscription Card rules

Clubs are being reminded that Subscription Cards must have the name and address of the issuing club clearly marked on them in order to ensure doormen can implement the rules of the union when Associate Members are visiting clubs other than their own.

The Associate Card supplied by the Union clearly states: "An Associate before being admitted to the Club must produce their Subscription Card (showing that their current subscription to their club has been paid).

Several instances across various branches

have been reported of Associate Members visiting other clubs but being unable to produce a subscription card stating exactly what club they belonged to.

It appears that some clubs are simply issuing a Subscription Card which shows that a payment has been made by the holder but not which club they are actually a member of.

Ensuring that all members have the correct credentials will help avoid ill-feeling and embarrassment when Associate Members visit other CIU clubs, as they are perfectly entitled to under Union rules.

Heineken launches new 7% ABV Desperados Dos

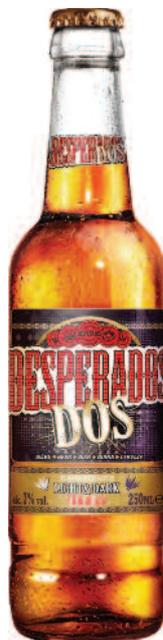
Desperados Dos, a light and dark tequila flavoured beer, is being launched in March by Heineken UK.

With a higher ABV at 7% and smaller serve size in 250ml bottles, Desperados Dos has reduced carbonation, making it smoother to drink. With a multi-million pound investment into the brand this year, Desperados Dos will be highly visible to target consumers with a nationwide campaign including out-of-home, digital and point of sale.

David Lette, Premium Brand Director at Heineken, said: "Desperados Dos will drive more consumers into the beer category. Drinking habits among the Desperados target audience are evolving, with many now looking for more sophisticated options as they make the transition from early evening into the night.

"As these 'shift' occasions become increasingly important to young adults, so does the need for our customers in the On-Trade to develop an offering that is relevant to these consumers."

"Its 7% ABV places it alongside spirit mixers and its serve size helps consumers to see it differently from beer, instead seeing it as a drink that they can enjoy as they shift into the night occasion. We're excited to launch Desperados Dos and we're confident it can help our On-Trade customers to drive custom from the lucrative young adult target."



NEWS IN BRIEF

BT Sport secures rights for live UEFA Champions League games until 2021



BT Sport will remain the exclusive UK home of all UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League football for another four years.

BT has secured the rights for both competitions until the end of the 2020/21 season that for the first time brings together exclusivity across all live games, highlights and in-match clips.

From 2018/19, fans will also be able to enjoy UEFA Champions League 'double header' nights, as live matches will kick off at both 6pm and 8pm during the Group stages.

Bruce Cuthbert, director of commercial customers at BT Sport, said: "We are delighted to have renewed these rights. The UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League are two of the best competitions in the world and we know that clubs value being able to show top flight, live, midweek football.

"The UEFA Champions League is due to get even stronger and we are delighted that from 2018 clubs will be able to show bumper nights of action with two live matches on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for the first time.

"We're really excited by the format changes from 2018/19 as it gives us the opportunity to keep on building as a product.

"The feedback we've received from clubs about our European midweek games has been really exceptional and the new double header games will make that increment even better.

"The new kick-off times means that we will avoid the clashes where clubs have previously had to choose between two brilliant matches and will be great for clubs."



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THIRSK	Saturday 20 May	£10	Irish Day
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HAYDOCK PARK	Thursday 15 June	£9	1750 Day
THIRSK	Tuesday 20 June	£10	Afternoon Racing
THIRSK	Wednesday 5 July	£10	Wimbledon Wednesday
HAYDOCK PARK	Thursday 6 July	£9	Glass Times Raceday
HAYDOCK PARK	Saturday 8 July	£12.50	TENSational - Old Newton Cup
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HAYDOCK PARK	Thursday 10 August	£9	Family Picnic Day

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Main picture: Harborne Village Social Club in Birmingham. Inset: The club is selling special enamel badges to mark its 50th anniversary in the same building

HARBORNE VILLAGE SOCIAL CLUB

Harborne Village Social Club, Birmingham, has effected an incredible turnaround from its lowest point four years ago and is now positively flourishing as a friendly, family-oriented hub of the community

Just four years ago, Harborne Village Social Club, Birmingham, found itself on the brink of closure due to declining membership and lack of use. With big losses and just 300 members on its books, for a time it looked as though the club's sizeable premises – a handsome old cinema building – would be handed over to developers and the club lost to the community.

But from those dark days of uncertainty, the club has effected an inspirational turnaround and is now positively thriving with increased membership and its varied sports and entertainment programme bringing people through its doors seven days a week.

“When I took over as Secretary four years ago, we were showing a loss of around £30,000,” says Club Secretary Neil Morrish. “Last year, we made a surplus of £30,000 so that shows how things have improved.

“I run my own businesses so have brought that professional insight into managing the club finances. Instead of being run as a hobby, the club is now run as a professional business.

“As well as providing a positive financial picture through proper management, we've also managed to reverse the decline in membership, replacing deceased and lapsed

members with new people. And previously a lot of people paid their subs and then you would only see them once or twice a year.

“Now we're working much harder to get them through the doors more often and spending money over the bar. When I took over there was zero in the way of entertainment put on by the club.

“Now we've brought back the community spirit by putting things on and weekends see the Function Room either booked for a private party or a club event, such as a concert, taking place.

“We've steered away from the typical 'pub singer' type act and instead have booked tribute acts so members know exactly what sort of music is going to be playing. We've had acts doing the Beatles, Elvis, Madness and the most popular one is a lad called Gary Pease who does a Rod Stewart act.

“We charge £5 a ticket for concerts featuring these sort of acts but we've proven that members would rather see a decent act and pay a reasonable price for a great night's entertainment than pay nothing for a low-quality act.”

“We pride ourselves on being a friendly, family club and have a mixed membership from people in their nineties down to young people who have just turned 18 and decided to join,” says Neil.

“We've also picked up members from a couple of local clubs – neither of them CIU-affiliated – which sadly closed recently. Word of mouth has got around about what the club has to offer with the result that we recently had to open our membership books again as there were 50 people on the waiting list to join.

“The Committee has worked really hard to get us to this strong position with everyone pulling their weight to continue the success story.”

In June, the club will be celebrating 50 years occupancy of its current premises and as the building is an old cinema, it will be holding a showing of the last film ever shown at the Harborne Picture House before it shut down and a full range of other special activities over a two-week period.

“We have some great events lined up to celebrate, including a kids party and a singalong session for our older members. We're also going to offer members discounted drinks throughout the celebratory period to mark this fantastic milestone.”

With the club now on a solid financial footing thanks to the hard work of the Committee, you can be assured that there will be plenty more milestones for Harborne Village Social Club to celebrate.

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Q *Our club wants to make sure we don't get left behind technology-wise so do you have any tips on getting our online presence up and running?*

In the second of two articles, Steve Bridger of Galatai Ltd, which runs the CIU official website, www.wmciu.org, responds:

When it comes to putting up information on your website, it's important to remember that many people make decisions on the spur of the moment for their evening's entertainment.

Clubs should use the tools available to promote themselves and their facilities, never forgetting that the younger generation are the future customers, so, if the ambience and some of the entertainment is targeted towards them from an early age, making the experience exciting and interesting, you have the next generation lined up to keep your club in existence.

The tools are out there to help clubs and a lot of them are free – use them wisely though and be careful of uninvited third-part advertising creeping in.

Ask local businesses to sponsor your website as once it is set up the costs are

minimal. Costs can be as low as £1 per week – where else can they advertise continually for this sort of money?

Once your website has been set up do not expect it to be No.1 on Google search engines as it can take over six months even to get noticed!

Be careful of the email scams where companies state that they will get your site to No.1 as they cost a lot of money with no guarantees.

SEO (Search Engine Optimisation) can be carried out easily by yourselves. Using Google analytics on your site can help get you noticed, as can targeted keywords.

Get the word out about your site on social media. If no-one knows you have a site no-one will visit it.

As mentioned in my previous article, a free website does not necessarily mean free!

Some companies offer a free service but then intrusive external advertising creeps in over time – nothing is for free, especially in the hosting world.

There are packages out there that let you design your site on the fly – look around before purchasing as there are some good ones and as usual there are some unreliable companies.

Watch out for the cheap special offers – they are an offer for 12 months and then the price often doubles.

To help you get your website up and running, here is a quick guide and checklist (amongst many others) for setting up your site:

- Is the site name easy to remember? (and under 32 characters)
- Are your keywords up to date?
- Are you using Google Analytics?
- Have you competent people regularly updating the site(s) / Facebook / Twitter etc.?
- Have you a good hosting package?
- Is the site mobile friendly?
- Who is your target audience? Do you know your target audience?
- Have you set up an email campaign (with unsubscribe area)?
- Is your site being reviewed or changed / redesigned every two years, keeping up with changes?

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Secretary, Steve Simpson from Starbeck Working Men's Club in Harrogate North York was wasting hundreds of pounds each week with his weekly line cleaning.

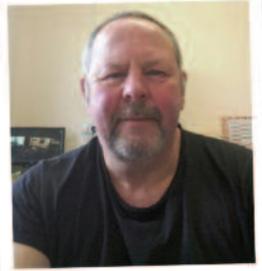
Steve called us at Smart Energy Projects to arrange a visit to see how we could help him reduce his wastage. After having a look through his Stock Audit Report we explained to Steve about our Smart Energy Beermiser System which will not only take them to a 3-weekly line clean but save the Club hundreds of pounds each month on their beer wastage and also precious time when not having to clean their lines as often as they were doing.

Steve being a proactive Secretary for his Club was always looking to save the club money and states, " I didn't hesitate about having the Beermiser System installed on 7 of my busy lines as I have known and used Smart Energy for the past three years now. They have helped to reduce costs within our cellar by up-grading our older system and also service our system for us. I would fully recommend their advice as our club is **now saving a huge £350 per month** on our beer wastage and it's one of the best things in which we have installed as we now only clean our lines every 3 weeks, sometimes pushing this out to every 4 week's now. The control is still left with ourselves and our beer hasn't been compromised in the slightest so our Club Committee have been very happy with the results all round."



**Secretary Steve Simpson
Of Starbeck WMC Now
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The latest Club to install Smart Energy's biggest seller being the Free Air Cellar System is Thurnscoe Ex Servicemen's Club in Rotherham. Dave Ogley, Treasurer of the Club has been very proactive with his Committee and turned the Club round from being in debt by always looking at ways to save the Club money. After Dave requested a Free Energy Management Survey on his cellar because his cooler was still running 24/7 on the Club's electric it was obvious to Dave and his Committee that using the cold air from outside to cool their beer for 6 month's of the year was a much smarter way than having their system running all the time. The Free Air Cellar system we installed in a morning and now the Club will benefit hugely by also using our pay as you save scheme and 12 month's interest free package to enable them to fund the installation.



**Dave Ogley Treasurer
of Thurnscoe Ex
Servicemens our latest
club install is now cooling
his beer using the air
from outside to further
knock money off the
Club's electric bill's.**

Bill Sharpe, Secretary of Combes Social Club in Warwick took on Smart Energy's advice to look at replacing all their old Air-Conditioning Units in their concert room area as the Club's electric bills for heating were exceeding £1,000 every month. If you are still heating your club with units that are over 7 years old these could be running on the r22 gases which if leak can no longer be serviced now due to the new legislation concerning refrigeration equipment but they are very expensive to run when left on to heat your room areas.

Bill stated "After receiving a Free Energy Management Report from Smart Energy they were quick to advise our club that there was a far more energy efficient way to heat our concert room with low watt panel radiant heating, after speaking with a few other local Club's nearby to us who were using this technology instead of a gas boiler or air-conditioning we were convinced it was the way to go in order to move with the times and begin to save like many others were already doing. Our heaters have been in nearly a year now and we are delighted with them **saving us around £335 every month**. Any Club's looking for an alternative system that is cheap to run and provides an even level of comfort throughout I would certainly recommend getting a survey done like we did as it's the best thing our Club did."



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NEWS IN BRIEF

Contracts and Handbook still available from Branch Offices

The CIU Contracts and Handbook are currently being updated/ revised to comply with all the latest Government legislation and reprinted for 2017.

They are available to buy from your local Branch.

The documents available are:

- Club Staff Handbook
- Club Steward Contract
- Bar Manager Contract
- Bar/Cleaning Staff Contract
- Bar/Cleaning Staff Terms and Conditions of Employment
- Bar/Cleaning Temporary Staff Terms and Conditions of Employment
- Club Staff Accommodation Contract

The club documents are priced as follows:

£5 for each Handbook; £2.50 for each Contract (except the Club Staff Accommodation Contract which is priced at £1.30 as a special limited edition) and £1.50 for each Terms and Conditions document.

These documents – available from your branch – take in all the current legislative requirements and have been produced to a high, professional standard.

National Executive Committee Dates for 2017

The remaining dates for the meetings of the National Executive Committee in 2017 are as follows:

April (Blackpool) – 5th/6th/7th/8th
 May – 3rd/4th
 June – 7th/8th
 July – 5th/6th
 August – 2nd/3rd
 September – 6th/7th
 October – 4th/5th
 November – 1st/2nd
 December – 6th/7th

SPOTLIGHT ON... GLEN DOYLE

We talk to Leeds Branch Secretary Glen Doyle, also Secretary of Swarcliffe WMC, to get his views on the current club scene and how the clubs in his area are doing business-wise

Q: How did you become involved with clubs and the CIU?

I first got involved with the Swarcliffe WMC to help out on the Committee 12 years ago. Just after I joined the Committee, the Secretary left and I was asked to take on the mantle which I've now held for 12 years. As for the CIU, I was asked by current members of the Leeds Executive to put my name forward when Branch Secretary Martin Smith sadly passed away and I was given the chance to continue his legacy.

Q: How are clubs in your Branch generally faring?

It's been difficult for a lot of clubs and quite a number have disappeared or have left the Union due to financial constraints. My own club is faring quite well and I am working on keeping clubs in and bringing clubs back into the Union.

If the Prime Minister offered you three wishes on behalf of clubs, what would they be?

Firstly, to stop supermarkets and other outlets selling alcohol at ridiculously low prices.

Secondly, to let clubs manage their own rules with regards to smoking. The smoking ban has killed off a lot of clubs and local authority enforcement of smoking areas is harsh to say the least.

Finally, to allow grants to be given to clubs for refurbishment. Many clubs out there cannot afford to keep themselves up to date with new legislation and need assistance.

Are there any particular areas of modern life which you see as having a knock-on effect to clubs?

Again, you have to look at retail outlets selling cheap ale, the smoking ban and some people's view of clubs as an 'old man' institution. We are lucky here at Swarcliffe as we have as many younger members as we do the older generation.

What do you say to the doom-mongers out there?

To the doom mongers I say 'modernise' your club. Clubs used to be a place for people to meet and Committees running them didn't really have to work too hard to keep them in business. Nowadays people have to realise



clubs are a business and have to be run as such. They need to be open to new ideas and not stuck in the old mentality.

What are the most positive signs you've seen in the club sector in the past three years?

It's difficult to say what is positive. We need to keep driving younger people into clubs to keep them open. This is happening in my club and a lot of other clubs are looking at allowing children into clubs. I grew up in clubland and we need more of that to keep us open.

If you could award an OCE (Order of the Club Empire), who would it be to and why?

An OCE is an interesting concept - it would have to go to all the club secretaries who work tirelessly to keep clubs open.

What clubs do you belong to?

I am a member of Swarcliffe WMC.

What is your favourite club?

A highly biased answer but my favourite club is Swarcliffe WMC. We have cheap beer, artists on every weekend, live sport on TV and very friendly people – what more could you want?

Who has been the biggest influence in your club life?

My three biggest influences have been the older members of my own club Committee, two of whom are sadly no longer with us.

Colin Foster, an ex-Trustee and President, is sadly missed as is Ronnie Wager, an ex-Trustee and good friend.

The third is Mr Les Penny, a clubman through and through, who does not hold back on voicing his opinions and is still doing it to this day even though he no longer graces the Committee with his presence.

AGENDA FOR 2017 CIU ANNUAL MEETING

SESSION COMMENCES 10am

1. Minutes of the Council Meeting held April 9, 2016
2. Civic Welcome by The Worshipful the Mayor of Blackpool, Councillor Kath Rowson
3. Standing Orders Committee
4. President's Address by George Dawson CMD
5. Keynote address – Guest Speaker, Paul Routledge
6. To consider the Annual Report 2016
7. To consider the Union's Financial Statement for the year ended September 30, 2016
8. Scrutineers Election
9. Notice of Motion to the Constitution, (proposed by Doncaster and District Branch):
10. General Secretary's Address by Kenneth D Green CMD



“We propose that the CIU life card be made transferable between member clubs following the closure of another club.”

CIU officials attend APPG meeting at the House of Commons

The latest meeting of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Non-Profit Making Members' Clubs took place at the House of Commons on Tuesday, March 21.

Officials from the CIU, including President George Dawson CMD, Vice-President John Tobin and Head Office Manager Stephen Goulding, met with MPs and members of the House of Lords, alongside representatives of other Members' Club organisations in order to discuss legislation affecting clubs.

First on the agenda was the recent Budget Announcement by the Government which stated that pubs with rateable value of less than £100,000 would be receiving a £1,000 discount on the rates they pay.

Mr Dawson asked for clarification from the Treasury whether this would also apply to clubs and it was agreed that the APPG would draft a letter to this effect.

An update was also provided by Mr Dawson on the HMRC's 'Making Tax Digital' campaign. The CIU is seeking an exemption for its clubs from the requirements to maintain digital tax records and its official response has been noted by the Government which is yet to make a decision on the matter.

Also up for discussion was the matter of CIU clubs holding a Bingo Operating Licence (BOL) being told by the Gambling Commission that they need to put Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) arrangements in place.

Mr Dawson explained the CIU position that these clubs should be exempt from any requirement to engage a registered ADR service which would be disproportionately expensive and unlikely to be utilised given that in 2009 the Union agreed a form of 'toolkit' for its BOL clubs to ensure that they would meet the Commission's



Pictured, back row, left to right: Sean Ferris (*Club Journal* Publisher), CIU Head Office Manager and *Club Journal* Editor Stephen Goulding, Eddie Charnley (Chairman, Association of British Clubs), David Clelland (CIU Parliamentary Consultant), John Rooney (Royal Naval Association Clubs) and George Dawson CMD (CIU President)

compliance requirements under the law and prescribed codes of practices. It was agreed that a letter would be sent to a Treasury Minister to seek clarification of the issue.

An update was provided on the Linneweber 1 and Linneweber 2 claims/appeals regarding the VAT treatment of income generated from gaming machines.

It was confirmed that there would be a further test case on Linneweber 1 in the near future which could have a bearing on the continuing Linneweber 2 case and any further developments would be reported back to the group in due course.

The next APPG meeting was set for Tuesday, June 13.

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MEMBERS' CORNER

Informative articles which affect our life
by Dione Mobley

A fascinating new exhibition exploring the story about humanoid Robots in the 20th century has recently opened at the Science Museum in London.

It may surprise many to know the idea of robots dates all the way back to the Ancient Greeks. In myths, Hephaestus, the god of fire, created robots to assist in his workshop.

Over 60 years ago the author Isaac Asimov wrote the book *I, Robot* and his imagined world is fast becoming a reality.

In our present day meet "Pepper"... only four feet tall and built in Japan. It is currently sold and marketed by Robots of London for the steadily growing robotic market in this country.

This small and versatile, programmable humanoid robot has already become well established in many areas. Installed in several

care homes in the UK it is seen to be working really well with the elderly.

The robot Pepper can be used in different ways and is viewed as more of a companion to those who may be isolated or would only have a television for company. The robot is programmed to carry out a variety of tasks - they can send dictated emails, read the news, offer advice about a menu or remind someone to take their medication.

In a very different setting the robot is working in other places including an estate agents office in London. It can tackle many jobs including helping to meet-and-greet delegates at conferences or to instantly search its database to provide up-to-the-minute information for clients.

The Royal Navy has added what is known as a 'Drone Boat' to their fleet last year. The unmanned craft can hit speeds of 60 mph and is intended for use on reconnaissance missions.

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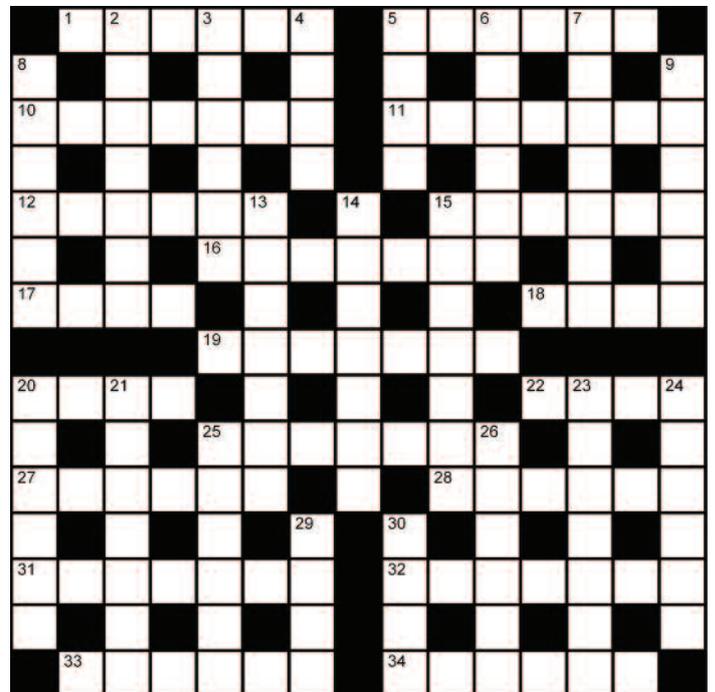
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ACROSS

- Loud music not left as a scare. (6)
- Ammo is fired into shrub. (6)
- If this were dropped, would it break all records? (7)
- A goat, 'but' somehow it's a vessel. (3-4)
- On the dole is somehow a bit thin for pasta. (6)
- Covert set up as a straight line. (6)
- Bit of derring-do to use unfairly. (7)
- Piano is often included... (4)
- Needlework ends in joint. (4)
- Mouth as a surety betrayed. (7)
- Badly annoy middlemen for indefinite person. (6)
- Agreeable creeper? (3,3)

DOWN

- Cut that's bent? (4-3)
- turkey talk to go around the globe in second class. (6)
- Bible passage you could send on a mobile? (4)
- Committing to coming out of...a glove! (4)
- Meant to get round force of attractive one. (6)
- Hornets buzzing round to reduce in length. (7)
- Spirits said to be bottled distillates? (6)
- Averts disaster, yet it's cause to be hungry. (6)
- Former trousers said to cover a wide area. (7)
- Twisted Laburnums BR has to take out for graduate. (7)
- Win in Nelson's ship. (7)
- Frontal way to meet problems? (4-2)
- Farm stack - to catch Richard's attention? (7)
- Seems an odd way to be altogether... (2,5)
- Broke my nose on amounts of cash. (6)
- Create a scene which serves to enclose. (6)
- Annual happy ending - before time! (6)
- 'Snake-speak' which is self-centred. (4)
- Went through water towards the bottom left over the morning. (4)



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Congratulations to the five winners of our £10 Prize Crossword for March.

- Rosemary Diane Davies of Owmcam WMC
- Alan Hogan of Stormont Main WMC
- Mrs Linda Anderson of West Green WMC
- W Nixon of Senhouse St Workingmens
- Brian Clare of Dan-y Graig Labour Club





Saturday April 8, 1pm – ITV1

Horse Racing: The Grand National

Live coverage of the Randox Health Grand National Meeting from Aintree, including the big feature race at 5.15pm. Last year saw another thrilling race as unheralded 33/1 shot Rule The World romped home beating The Last Samuri and Vics Canvas into second and third place respectively.



Sunday April 16, 4pm – Sky Sports 1 HD

Barclays Premier League: Manchester United v Chelsea

If all goes to plan for Chelsea manager Antonio Conte, his men could be picking up the Barclays Premier League trophy at Old Trafford. Of course, there are several obstacles to overcome, not least Jose Mourinho's Manchester United side, who will be intent on holding the Blues at bay in this encounter.

SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS

Club Journal looks ahead to some of the key sporting fixtures taking place in April, including Manchester United v Chelsea and Tottenham Hotspur v Arsenal as the Premier League season nears its conclusion

Friday April 7

7.45pm

BT Sport 1 HD

Aviva Premiership Rugby:

Sale Sharks v Worcester Warriors

Saturday April 8

12.30pm

Sky Sports 1 HD

Barclays Premier League:

Tottenham Hotspur v Watford

Saturday April 8

5.30pm

BT Sport 1 HD

Barclays Premier League:

Bournemouth v Chelsea

Saturday April 8

1pm

ITV1

Horse Racing: The Randox

Health Grand National Meeting

Saturday April 8

8pm

Sky Sports 1 HD

Golf: The Masters

Southampton v Manchester City, Saturday, April 15, 4pm, BT Sport 1



Sunday April 9

1.30pm

Sky Sports 1 HD

Barclays Premier League: Sunderland v Manchester United

Sunday April 9

12.30pm

Sky Sports 2 HD

Scottish Premier Football: Aberdeen v Rangers

Monday April 10

8pm

Sky Sports 1 HD

Barclays Premier League: Crystal Palace v Arsenal

Wednesday April 12

7.45pm

BT Sport 2 HD

UEFA Champions League - Quarter-Final: Atletico Madrid v Leicester City

April 13

7pm

Sky Sports 1 HD

Premier League Darts: .Liverpool

Thursday April 13

8pm

Sky Sports 2 HD

Super League: Widnes Vikings v Warrington Wolves



**Thursday April 20, 7pm – Sky Sports 1 HD
Premier League Darts**

The world's best players continue to battle for the Premier League title. This event comes from the SSE Arena in Belfast and there is sure to be a tremendous atmosphere generated by the capacity crowd. This is Phil Taylor's final season in a competition he has won a staggering six times – can he sign off with a seventh title?

Friday April 14
12 noon
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Super League: Castleford
Tigers v Wakefield Trinity**

Friday April 14
2.15pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Super League: Wigan
Warriors v St Helens**

Saturday April 15
12.30pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Tottenham Hotspur v
Bournemouth**

Saturday April 15
4pm
BT Sport 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Southampton v Manchester
City**

Sunday April 16
1.30pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
West Bromwich Albion v
Liverpool**

Sunday April 16
4pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Manchester United v
Chelsea**

Monday April 17
2.30pm
Sky Sports 2 HD
**Super League: Wakefield
Trinity v Wigan Warriors**

Monday April 17
5pm
Sky Sports 2 HD
**Super League: Catalans
Dragons v Salford Red Devils**

Monday April 17
8pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Middlesbrough v Arsenal**

Tuesday April 18
7.45pm
BT Sport 2 HD
**UEFA Champions League -
Quarter-Final: Leicester City
v Atletico Madrid**

Wednesday April 19
7.45pm
BT Sport
**UEFA Champions League -
Quarter-Final: Barcelona v
Juventus**

Thursday April 20
7pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Premier League Darts:
Belfast**

CIU Sport

CIU TEAM POOL COMPETITION

The first Team Pool semi-final was held on March 4 at the Swindon High Street Club between Knaphill WM Club and Bargoed Labour Club.

Bargoed Labour Club won 5-3. Pete Carr was the Union Representative.

The second Team Pool semi-final was held on March 11 at the Carlisle Ex-Servicemens Club between Pellon Social Club and Bannockburn Miners Club.

Bannockburn Miners Club won 5-1. Ken Brown was the Union Representative.

The Team Pool Final will be held in June.

Friday April 21
8pm
Sky Sports 2 HD
**Super League: Widnes
Vikings v St Helens**

Saturday April 22
1pm
ITV1
**Horse Racing: Scottish
Grand National Meeting at
Ayr/Al Shaqab Lockinge Day
at Newbury**

Saturday April 22
3pm
Sky Sports 2 HD
**Super League: Widnes
Vikings v St Helens**

Sunday April 23
2.15pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Burnley v Manchester
United**

Sunday April 23
4.30pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Liverpool v Crystal Palace**

Tuesday April 25
7pm
Sky Sports 5 HD
**Greyhound Racing: Bresmed
Northern Spirit**

Thursday April 27
2pm
Sky Sports 2 HD
**Cricket - One-Day Cup:
Northamptonshire
Steelbacks v Warwickshire**

Thursday April 27
7pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Premier League Darts:
Birmingham**

Thursday April 27
8pm
Sky Sports 3 HD
**Super League: Leeds Rhinos
v Huddersfield Giants**

Friday April 28
11pm
Sky Sports 2 HD
**Cricket - One-Day Cup:
Somerset v Surrey**

Friday April 28
8pm
Sky Sports 2 HD
**Super League: Hull FC v
Warrington Wolves**

Saturday April 29
5.30pm
BT Sport 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Crystal Palace v Burnley**

Sunday April 30
12 noon
BT Sport 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Manchester United v
Swansea City**

Sunday April 30
4.30pm
Sky Sports 1 HD
**Barclays Premier League:
Tottenham Hotspur v
Arsenal**

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