

Coronavirus crisis shuts clubs and forces AGM postponement



The Coronavirus crisis has caused unprecedented disruption to normal life across the UK as clubs – along with cafes, pubs, restaurants and many other outlets – were all ordered to close by the Government on Friday, March 20 as part of a countrywide ‘social distancing’ strategy.

Prime Minister Boris Johnson said the situation would be reviewed on a monthly basis.

The Government also announced a raft of assistance packages for businesses affected by the Coronavirus, including a measure to pay 80 per cent of wages for employees who are not able to work, up to a limit of £2,500 a month.

Other measures include holidays on Business Rates for 2020/21 and tax payments, plus Business Interruption Loans, cash grants and a delay to VAT payments.

Before that announcement, the

Union’s 2020 Annual Meeting and Beer & Trades Exhibition, scheduled to take place in Blackpool in April, had already been postponed.

A statement from the Union’s Officers and National Executive, issued on Monday, March 16, said: “It has been decided to postpone Blackpool 2020.

“We will be looking at the logistics of re-arranging later in the year.

“This decision has not been taken lightly but in the current climate it is felt it is the correct course of action.”

Further communications on the ongoing situation – including the possible rescheduling of the Annual Meeting and trade show – will be published in upcoming issues of *Club Journal* and on the Union’s website: www.wmciu.org.uk.

• **For further information on the support available to club, see pages 8-9.**

General Secretary: ‘CIU clubs ready to do their duty’

During a period of major uncertainty for clubs and society in general, the Union’s General Secretary, Kenneth D Green CMD ACM, has urged CIU members to continue to support their local communities in looking after the more vulnerable members of society.

In a column in this issue of *Club Journal*, Mr Green said: “In good times and bad, CIU clubs have been at the forefront of their local communities, bringing people together, raising money for charity, providing meeting places for groups and societies, giving support to the elderly and doing what is needed during times of crisis.

“The CIU and its members are ready, willing and able to do their duty when required.

“Let us hope that the Government recognises the importance of our clubs and gives us the required support going forward.”

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Due to Coronavirus, Head Office is closed but staff will be working from home and can be contacted by the usual email address info@wmciu.org through the CIU website.



Welcome to the April issue of *Club Journal* as the world finds itself in crisis due to the Coronavirus.

Just a few short weeks ago we were looking forward to gathering together in Blackpool for the Union's Annual Meeting and Beer & Trades Exhibition but a new unwelcome reality has now emerged that forced the postponement of these events and will challenge all of us for many months to come in so many aspects of our daily lives.

As you'd expect, the CIU will be ready to support clubs as we move through this troubling period together and emerge on the other side.

On pages 8 and 9 we have the latest information regarding Government help for clubs and we will of course continue to monitor closely any new developments and communicate them to our members via the website (www.wmciu.org.uk), through the post and in subsequent issues of *Club Journal*.

On page 13, our General Secretary, Kenneth D Green CMD ACM, looks at the role of the CIU and its clubs during previous national crises – namely the two World Wars – and shows that we as an organisation have much to offer in such circumstances.

Our clubs are truly at the hearts of their local communities and we would love to hear the many ways that our

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members are working to protect the most vulnerable members of our society during this period.

On pages 10-11, we profile all the companies who would have been exhibiting at the trade show if it had gone ahead.

Of course, we will be aiming to reschedule both the show and Annual Meeting as soon as the situation allows.

Meanwhile, on a happier note, we profile Everton & Lymore Social Club in Hampshire which is our 'Club of the Month' for April.

Founded in 1920, this fantastic club, which is situated on the edge of the New Forest, is hoping to celebrate its centenary this summer.

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Enjoy the issue and my best wishes to you and your loved ones during these challenging times.

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Free 'Home and dry' POS available to clubs

Alcohol education charity Drinkaware is launching a new campaign against drink-driving, called Home and dry.

The campaign will support clubs to encourage members in their venues to stay alcohol-free when driving.

Drinkaware is providing Home and dry point-of-sale (POS) materials free of charge to clubs who wish to use them.

The materials include T-shirts for staff members, posters, beer mats and bar runners, which all feature an eye-catching road sign design.

Clubs can also download a suite of digital assets to communicate the Home and dry campaign across social media.

The campaign is designed to support venues to provide a safe and enjoyable environment by encouraging drivers to go alcohol-free and get home safe.

Home and dry POS and digital assets can be downloaded or ordered free of charge from the Drinkaware online store.

For more information on the new campaign and to order POS, visit: www.drinkaware.co.uk/homeanddry



News in brief

Rubery Social Club event raises over £1,000 for two armed forces charities

Rubery Social Club held a charity entertainments showcase on February 28 to raise money for two armed forces charities.

The show featured a variety of local acts, including Bethany, Tammy Moore, Izzye, Olivia Payne, Scott Cartwright and Ella Jackson.

As well as the live music there was also a bar, hot and cold food, a tombola and a raffle.

The fundraising total for the night topped £1,000 and was donated to Troop Aid and SSAFA.

New Racing League unveiled as teams compete for £1.8m prize fund

UK Racing has announced the launch of a new flat horse racing initiative – the Racing League.

The team-based League format aims to bring “increased levels of innovation, fan engagement and accessibility to British horse racing” and is, of course, subject to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic.

Teams consisting of two to four trainers working together, three jockeys, stable staff and a squad of 30 horses, will battle it out for an unprecedented £1.8m in prize money, as well as an overall prize to the team that wins the Racing League.

Held over six consecutive evening race meetings in July and August 2020, the Racing League will be contested at four of the UK’s leading racecourses – Doncaster, Lingfield, Newcastle and Royal Windsor.

Racing in bespoke team colours, the Racing League’s 12 teams will compete across 36 handicap races (rated 0-90), each worth £50,000.

The Racing League’s inaugural meeting is set to be held on Thursday, July 16, 2020.

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50-Year Branch Distinguished Service Award

Peter Davies, West Midlands Branch

40-Year Distinguished Service Award

Geoffrey Smith, Armthorpe Coronation Club (Doncaster Branch)

Long Service Award

Robert Badham, Armthorpe Coronation Club (Doncaster Branch)

Stephen Hardy, Armthorpe Coronation Club (Doncaster Branch)

Michael Hill, Armthorpe Coronation Club (Doncaster Branch)

Paul Hughes, Armthorpe Coronation Club (Doncaster Branch)

Alan Jones, Armthorpe Coronation Club (Doncaster Branch)

Robert Hainsworth, Armthorpe Coronation Club (Doncaster Branch)

Michael Thorpe, Ouston & District Social Club (Durham Branch)

Barbara Peters, Ellesmere Road Recreation Club (Manchester Branch)

John Brooks, Newcastle Labour Club (Northumberland Branch)

John Wealands, Newcastle Labour Club (Northumberland Branch)

Lillian Wilkes, Newcastle Labour Club (Northumberland Branch)

Certificate of Merit

Alan Booth, Armthorpe Coronation Club (Doncaster Branch)

Carolyn Jones, Chilton Community & Sports & Social Club (Durham Branch)

Albert Errington, Dubmire WMC (Durham Branch)

George Adams, Blyth Sports & Social Club (Northumberland Branch)

COM presentation at Grangemoor WMC



A presentation was held in February at Grangemoor WMC to present 10-Year Certificate of Merit Awards to three of the club's key personnel. Pictured, left to right: Rob Stretton (Club Chairman and recipient of 10-Year COM), Jack Haughey CMD ACM (West Midlands Branch Secretary and NEC Member), Kenneth D Green CMD ACM (Union General Secretary), Darren Ennis (Club Treasurer and recipient of 10-Year COM) and Mandi Edwards (Club Secretary and recipient of 10-Year COM)

The Union's General Secretary, Kenneth D Green CMD AMC, recently presented three stalwarts of Grangemoor WMC in Burntwood with their 10-Year Certificate of Merit Awards at a ceremony held at the club in February. The recipients were Club Chairman Rob Stretton, Club Treasurer Darren Ennis and Club Secretary Mandi Edwards.

Milestone for Wakefield Branch's Bernard Carr



The Union's General Secretary, Kenneth D Green CMD ACM, recently attended the AGM of the Wakefield Branch at Crofton WMC and while there presented a Long Service Award to the Branch Vice-President Bernard Carr. Pictured, left to right: Bernard Carr (Wakefield Branch Vice-President), Kenneth D Green CMD ACM (Union General Secretary) and Colin Gillatt (Wakefield Branch President)

European Championship postponed until 2021

This summer's European Championship has been postponed by one year until 2021 because of the Coronavirus pandemic.

The tournament had been due to take place from June 12-July 12 this summer but will now run from June 11 to July 11 next year.

The postponement of this much-anticipated event will possibly enable the European leagues that have been suspended, including England's Premier League to be completed.

By moving the European Championship, UEFA now has a clash with the Women's European Championship, which is due to be held in England in 2021, beginning on 7 July.

In delaying Euro 2020, UEFA said it wanted to avoid "placing any unnecessary pressure on national public services" of its 12 host countries, as well as helping allow domestic competitions to be finished.

The FA has endorsed the postponement with Chief Executive Mark Bullingham saying: "Everyone's priority is to finish this season. That's one of the main reasons for delaying the Euros, to allow a window that, if the virus gets under control, there will be a window to potentially finish the season. At the moment, we don't know what's going to happen. We're planning every eventuality, so that we can react."



OBITUARY

PAUL KELLY

It is with regret that Little Harrowden WMC announces that Paul Kelly died on February 14, 2020, after a short illness.



Paul was introduced to his local working man's club (The Belmont in Chesham) by his father on his 18th birthday. It was there that he bought a pint of lager for a young lady who only drank halves but was to become his wife for 40 years.

He played darts and pool for the club teams and went along to many presentation evenings to collect his trophies.

Whenever he was on holiday around the country he would pop into a CIU club for a pint.

In the 1990s, Little Harrowden WMC became his local club and Fridays were not complete without a game of bingo and some tickets for the meat raffle.

As he was a keen gardener (keeping the whole neighbourhood stocked with homegrown tomatoes) his family requested no flowers at his funeral – fruit and vegetables instead which were donated to The Daylight Centre, a local charity.

Acomb WMC panto raises £3,000 for charities



Pictured: Members of the Blue Light Theatre Company celebrate raising £3,000 for local charities

A pantomime performed over successive days in January at Acomb Working Men's Club in York by members of the Blue Light Theatre Company raised £3,000 for two charities.

The theatre company, which includes a number of amateur actors who work for the Yorkshire Ambulance Service, put on several performances of *Oh, What a Circus* earlier this year.

The total raised by ticket sales was donated equally to two local charities – York Against Cancer and the Motor Neurone Disease Association, York.

Julie Russell, General Manager of York Against Cancer, said: "It's really heartwarming to be supported by such a dedicated and talented bunch of fundraisers."



FOR SERVICE

Certificate of Merit (continued)

John Moffat, Blyth Sports & Social Club (Northumberland Branch)

Ivan Thompson, Blyth Sports & Social Club (Northumberland Branch)

John Whiteman, Blyth Sports & Social Club (Northumberland Branch)

Scott Young, Blyth Sports & Social Club (Northumberland Branch)

News in brief

BT Sport and Sky Sports announce suspension of subscription fees

BT Sport and Sky Sports have stopped billing their commercial customers due to the coronavirus pandemic that has caused the cancellation of the vast majority of live sporting fixtures.

Sky Sports suspended its fees on March 14 and will not resume it "until a live sport schedule returns" while, on the same day, BT Sport said that it will "suspend billing for pubs and clubs customers for a two-week period.

"This is a goodwill gesture that we are putting in place while we monitor the situation.

"We will keep customers updated as the situation develops."

Simon Raggett, Managing Director of Sky Business, said: "We understand that these are challenging times for many of our Sky Business venues, who rely on showing live sport in a social environment to attract customers and revenue.

"Supporting these businesses and doing what we can to help them in uncertain times is very important to us. We would like to reassure our Sky Business venues that we will not be charging them for their service until a live sport schedule returns."

Obituary: Malcolm McChrystal

Malcolm McChrystal, the former Branch Secretary of Doncaster and NEC Member, has passed away.

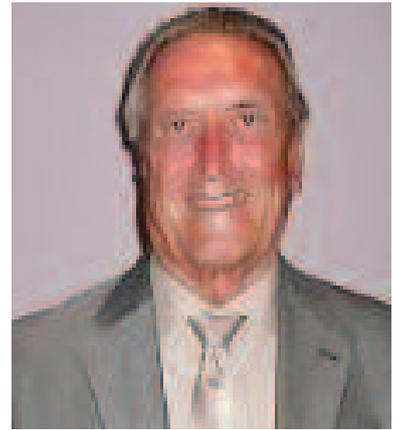
Malcolm served on the Committee of Doncaster Trades & Labour Club for 36 years and was Secretary of the club for 23 years, during which time he was instrumental in securing the club's move to the Frenchgate Centre in 2008.

This move was the culmination of seven years of hard work on behalf of the club's Committee which had been served with a Compulsory Purchase Order in 2001.

Malcolm led the negotiations with the Council and developers which eventually saw the club receiving £2.25m and the chance to build a brand-new, four-storey, purpose-built club within the new shopping centre.

Malcolm stood down as Club Secretary in September 2009, having already relinquished the post of Branch Secretary in 2005.

The Right Honourable Dame Rosie Winterton, DBE, the Member of Parliament for Doncaster Central, paid tribute to Malcolm, saying: "Malcolm was an extremely kind and generous man who was dedicated to the CIU movement. He was liked by everyone who knew him and will be greatly missed by all his friends and family."



CLUB NOTICES

Clubs admitted into membership of the Union

Upton United Services Club (Wakefield Branch)

Clubs applying for membership of the Union

Southwold & Reydon Constitutional Club (North East Metropolitan Branch)

Clubs closed

Millbridge Working Men's Club (Heavy Woollen Branch)

Park & Dare Ex-Servicemen's Club (South Wales Branch)

Unsworth South Social Working Men's Club (Manchester Branch)

Clubs expelled

Rogerstone & Bassaleg Social Club (Monmouthshire Branch)

Pontlottyn Empire Club (South Wales Branch)

COM presentation held at 'The Fast and Slow'



Pictured, left to right: Michael Woodvine CMD (Nelson Carters' & Motormen's Club President and COM recipient), David Tatham (Club President) and Michael Smith (Club Committee Member and COM recipient)

Nelson Carters' & Motormen's Club (known as 'The Fast and Slow'), held a ceremony in February to honour Club Secretary Michael Woodvine CMD and Committee Member and legendary doorman Michael Smith who both received their 10-Year Certificate of Merit awards for services to the club.

The presentation was made by Club President David Tatham at the club AGM where it was announced that the club had enjoyed another very successful year, making a profit of over £22,000. Part of the profits will be utilised by the club's Management Committee to refurbish the club.



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Government announces Coronavirus business support measures

CIU Head Office has understandably been inundated with enquiries concerning Coronavirus and the legal situation for clubs contemplating its effects, including mandatory closure. This notice is to be read in conjunction with the Coronavirus (Covid-19) guidance. Both may be subject to further changes in accordance with Government advice which should always be referred to at the time of enquiry. For the latest communications from Head Office please visit the Union's official website - www.wmciu.org.uk

Following the announcement of the mandatory closure of all clubs, along with many other businesses, the Government has introduced a number of measures to help the businesses affected.

HELP FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

The Chancellor announced on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 a raft of new business support packages to ensure that businesses within the Retail Leisure sector (including specifically pubs and clubs) will be supported throughout the forthcoming three-month period.

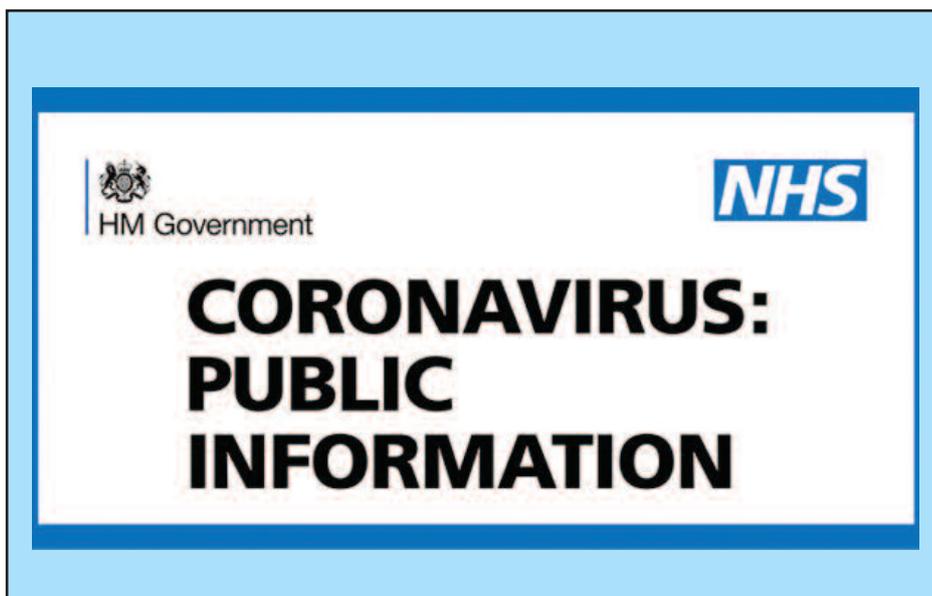
This includes specific reference to retail premises with a rateable value of less than £51,000 which are eligible for an immediate rates holiday of 12 months and a cash grant/loan of £10,000 available at 'attractive rates', to help to support small businesses and to get through this period with minimal disruption.

BEFORE taking any action in response to the Coronavirus crisis the CIU urges ALL CLUBS contemplating closure to firstly contact their LOCAL AUTHORITY to access advice about these newly formed benefits.

CORONAVIRUS JOB RETENTION SCHEME

Under the Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme, all UK employers with a PAYE scheme will be able to access support to continue paying part of their employees' salary for those that would otherwise have been laid off during this crisis.

This applies to employees who have been asked to stop working, but who are being kept on the pay roll, otherwise described as 'furloughed workers'.



HMRC will reimburse 80% of their wages, up to £2,500 per month. This is to safeguard workers from being made redundant.

The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme will cover the cost of wages backdated to March 1 and is initially open for three months, but will be extended if necessary.

In order to access the scheme, clubs will have to:

1. Designate affected employees as 'furloughed workers,' and notify your employees of this change – changing the status of employees remains subject to existing employment law and, depending on the employment contract, may be subject to negotiation.
2. Once the new online portal is live, submit information to HMRC about the employees that have been furloughed and their earnings (HMRC will set out further details on the information required)

HMRC are working urgently to set up a system for reimbursement and expect the grants to be paid by the end of April.

If your business needs short term cash flow support, you may be eligible for a Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan.

CORONAVIRUS BUSINESS INTERRUPTION LOAN SCHEME

This scheme will help businesses affected by coronavirus to access bank lending and overdrafts if they need to. For loans up to £5 million, the Government is providing a guarantee of 80% for each loan.

This will give lenders the confidence to continue to provide finance to businesses. The Government will not charge businesses or banks for this guarantee.

The eligibility criteria are: Any UK-based businesses with a turnover of less than £45 million per annum; the business meets the other British

Business Bank eligibility criteria.

Clubs need to talk to their bank or finance provider as soon as possible and discuss their business plan with them.

This will help your club's finance provider to act quickly once the scheme has launched.

If your club has an existing loan with monthly repayments you may want to ask for a repayment holiday to help with cash flow.

To find the full rules of the Scheme and list of accredited lenders, go to the British Business Bank website.

All the major banks will offer the scheme once it has launched. There are 40 accredited providers in all.

The scheme commenced on March 23.

BUSINESS RATES HOLIDAY FOR RETAIL, HOSPITALITY AND LEISURE

Businesses in the retail, hospitality and leisure sectors in England will not have to pay business rates for the 2020-21 tax year. Businesses that received the retail discount in the 2019-20 tax year will be rebilled by their local authority as soon as possible.

CASH GRANTS

As part of the retail, hospitality and leisure sector, clubs will receive a cash

grant of up to £25,000 per property if their rateable value is between £15,000 and £51,000.

Clubs with a rateable value of under £15,000 will receive a grant of £10,000.

STATUTORY SICK PAY REBATE

The Government is allowing clubs to reclaim Statutory Sick Pay (SSP) paid for staff sickness absence due to Coronavirus.

This refund will cover up to two weeks' SSP per eligible employee who has been off work because of Coronavirus.

The Government says it will work with employers over the coming months to set up the repayment mechanism for employers as soon as possible. Existing systems are not designed to facilitate employer refunds for SSP.

VAT DEFERRAL

All VAT-registered UK businesses are eligible to defer Valued Added Tax (VAT) payments for 3 months.

This is an automatic offer with no applications required.

Taxpayers will be given until the end of the 2020-21 tax year to pay any liabilities that have accumulated during the deferral period. VAT refunds and reclaims will be paid by the government as normal.

TAX - TIME TO PAY SERVICE

Clubs in financial distress, and with outstanding tax liabilities, may be eligible to receive support with their tax affairs through HMRC's Time To Pay service.

These arrangements are agreed on a case-by-case basis and are tailored to individual circumstances and liabilities.

If you've missed, or are worried about missing, your next tax payment due to Coronavirus, contact HMRC.

You can also call the HMRC helpline for advice on 0800 0159 559.

For the latest information on the support available to businesses from the Government, visit:

www.businesssupport.gov.uk/coronavirus-business-support/

UNION RULES

With the club closed can the AGM be postponed and does the old Committee remain?

Under the Friendly Societies Act 1974 an 'inactive club' arguably has no obligation to hold Annual General Meetings. Otherwise, the AGM can be adjourned which is what happened with the Union's own AGM in Blackpool. Either way, until or unless replaced in the normal manner, the current Committee remains as constituted.

Covid-19: Official guidance on social distancing and for vulnerable people

We are advising those who are at increased risk of severe illness from coronavirus (COVID-19) to be particularly stringent in following social distancing measures.

This group includes those who are:

- aged 70 or older (regardless of medical conditions)
- under 70 with an underlying health condition listed below (ie anyone instructed to get a flu jab as an adult each year on medical grounds):
- chronic (long-term) respiratory diseases, such as asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), emphysema or bronchitis
- chronic heart disease, such as heart failure
- chronic kidney disease
- chronic liver disease, such as hepatitis
- chronic neurological conditions, such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease, multiple sclerosis (MS), a learning disability or cerebral palsy
- diabetes

- problems with your spleen – for example, sickle cell disease or if you have had your spleen removed
- a weakened immune system as the result of conditions such as HIV and AIDS, or medicines such as steroid tablets or chemotherapy
- being seriously overweight (a body mass index (BMI) of 40 or above)
- those who are pregnant

Note: there are some clinical conditions which put people at even higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19. If you are in this category, next week the NHS in England will directly contact you with advice the more stringent measures you should take in order to keep yourself and others safe.

For now, you should rigorously follow the social distancing advice in full, outlined at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-social-distancing-and-for-vulnerable-people>

Blackpool Trade Show postponed

The Union's Officers and National Executive had to make the very difficult decision to postpone the 29th CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition, due to take place on Friday April 3, but hope to reschedule this popular event

The 2020 CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition was due to be the biggest and best ever.

“We are all extremely disappointed, but are following government and WHO guidelines on how to best protect our members. ‘Safety first’ is very much the order of the day, as I know all CIU clubs are finding,” said Event Organiser, Stephen Goulding. “As soon as we receive more positive news we will re-schedule the event.”

The re-scheduled show will provide a unique opportunity for club delegates and key club suppliers to interact, sharing knowledge, exploring new products and services aimed at members' clubs, all in an informal setting.

Having plenty of fun is also important to the trade show and activities planned for the re-scheduled show include complimentary drinks from Heineken UK, AB-Inbev and Matthew Clark.



Delegates enjoy themselves at the 2019 edition of the Beer & Trades Exhibition. The 2020 event has been postponed due to the Coronavirus but organisers will be attempting to reschedule it

Meanwhile, preferred gaming machine supplier Dransfields will be showcasing their latest gaming and entertainment machines as well as running bingo sessions and competitions which will enable delegates to win some fantastic prizes, including soft toys and widescreen televisions.

The exhibitors are already queuing up to demonstrate their key products and services for the club sector at the show, so keep your eyes out for the new date. In the meantime, all exhibitors are ready and waiting to work with you and help you to keep your club as safe and healthy as possible in these difficult times.



Dransfields have been a major exhibitor at the trade show for many years



The trade show gives delegates the opportunity to talk to suppliers about their club's specific needs in a number of key areas

THE 2020 EXHIBITORS



Dransfields hopes to showcase their products at the rescheduled show



Enjoying the range of Heineken products was to be a central feature of the trade show



Aon is a long term preferred supplier



The Beer & Trades Exhibition is a great place to network and socialise with delegates from other clubs



It is hoped that the Beer & Trades Exhibition will be rescheduled for later in the year once the Coronavirus fears have receded

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News in brief

Contracts and Handbook still available from Branch Offices

The CIU Contracts and Handbook have been updated and reprinted and 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.

To buy any of these documents please contact your local Branch Office.

National Executive Committee dates for 2020

The dates for the 2020 meetings of the NEC are as follows (all subject to change):

May - 6/7; June - 3/4; July - 1/2; August - 5/6; September - 2/3; October - 7/8; November - 4/5; December - 2/3

New National Living Wage and National Minimum Wage Hourly Rates from April 1

The following National Living Wage and Minimum Wage Hourly Rates came into force on April 1, 2020:

- £8.72 for workers aged 25 and over (the National Living Wage)
- £8.20 for 21-24 year olds
- £6.45 for 18-20 year olds
- £4.55 for 16-17 year olds
- £4.15 for apprentices aged under 19 or in the first year of their apprenticeship.

Obituary: Derek Whitmore

Head Office is saddened to announce the passing of Derek Whitmore.

Derek joined Head Office in 2014 and was a much respected member of staff.

He was also part of the Head Office team at the Blackpool conference each year and many club members will have met Derek on the CIU stand.

Away from the office, Derek was a family man, keen Spurs supporter and a drummer who liked to meet up with friends over a pint.

He leaves a loving wife and family and will be missed by all who knew him.



Heineken UK launches Strongbow Rosé

Heineken UK, the Preferred Supplier of Beer and Cider to the Union, has unveiled the latest version of its bestselling cider in the form of Strongbow Rosé.

Made with blush red apples, this new cider, along with the rest of the Strongbow range, has no artificial colours, flavours or sweeteners and will be launched in time for the warmer weather when the cider category is traditionally given a major boost in terms of trade.

“We’re really excited about the latest edition to our range of refreshing ciders. Not only is Strongbow Rosé the most successful recipe we’ve ever tested, we’ve also got exciting launch plans this Summer to make sure as many people as possible get to try it,” says Rachel Holms, Brand Director for Strongbow.



CIU clubs ready to play their part in national efforts

The Union's General Secretary, **Kenneth D Green CMD AMC**, declares that our clubs are ready, willing and able to play a full part in helping the country get back on its feet during an unprecedented national crisis

Amid the doom and gloom dominating our newspapers and TV screens in recent weeks, there have also been heartwarming stories of communities pulling together to help the more vulnerable people amongst them.

For those of us in the extended CIU family this has not come as a surprise given that it is the very reason why our great organisation was founded in 1862.

In good times and bad, CIU clubs have been at the forefront of their local communities, bringing people together, raising money for charity, providing meeting places and fellowship for groups and societies, giving support to the elderly and generally doing what is needed during times of crisis.

For example, at the outbreak of the First World War, some 90,000 CIU club members joined the army in the very first year of the conflict.

Meanwhile, in World War Two, the CIU was at the forefront of aiding the national efforts, allowing the entry of military personnel to its clubs without membership, loaning the Government £10,000 from central funds, equipping two mobile canteens for use by troops and even turning one of our convalescent homes into an emergency hospital for air raid victims.

Of course, we are in a different sort of national effort at the moment but the CIU and its members are still ready, willing and able to do their duty when required.

I have no doubt that our clubs will continue to do what they have always done and provide help and support for those in need during this time of crisis.

Let us hope that the Government recognises the importance of our clubs to our communities and gives us the support we need to get us through this current crisis.

We will continue to press the Government for further



Union General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD AMC

support for our clubs but please refer to your local branch if you have any queries and we will do our absolute utmost to get answers during this fast-changing situation.

We have published the latest information (as of March 19) on pages 8-9 on the support which is available to clubs from the Government and the latest updates to this advice will be communicated through the Union's website (www.wmciu.org.uk), via the post and in upcoming issues of *Club Journal*.

Finally, I hope you, your families, friends and colleagues are all as well as can be as we pull together and look forward to the end of this worrying time for everyone.

Where to get the latest information on Coronavirus

News is obviously moving very fast at the moment so make sure you keep informed on the latest Coronavirus developments through the official Government websites:

- www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance
- www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-employers-and-businesses-about-covid-19/guidance-for-employers-and-businesses-on-covid-19

We would welcome your comments on the crisis, so do please send your emails through to: justin@clubjournal.co.uk.



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Build a solid foundation with the Award in Club Management

Education has been an integral part of the Union since it was formed in 1862 and the courses it offers have evolved over the past 150-plus years. The current qualification offered to members is the Award in Club Management (ACM) which aim to give a thorough grounding in the key aspects of running a club

The CIU has been involved in the education of its members from its inception in 1862 with the courses offered evolving over the years.

For many years, studying for the Club Management Diploma (CMD) was a key qualification for club men and women until it was replaced in 2018 by a new, more accessible course, the Award in Club Management (ACM).

This three-part course has been developed by the Union to give club officials all the information they require to run a successful private members' club in the modern era.

The qualification consists of three self-contained units, each taking one day of classroom-based study to complete.

Unit 1 of the course covers Law & Regulations, Licensing, Unit 2 covers Law and Regulations (Part 2) and Unit 3 covers Management, Finance and Administration.

Once a candidate has completed the course and been examined in all three units through a multiple choice examination, they receive the ACM.

The course is aimed at people who are going to be sitting on club committees and occupying positions of authority within clubs.

It has been developed to ensure that candidates gain a thorough understanding of licensing laws and regulations relating to members' clubs, as well as a whole host of other laws and regulations that govern the running of a club, including entertainment, the various copyright permissions required and the rules and regulations surrounding gaming machines in clubs.

The lectures are carried out by highly experienced lecturers who lead the day sessions, including the General Secretary, Kenneth D Green CMD ACM, who has several decades of experience running clubs as well as helping clubs in his role as Secretary



General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM is one of the highly experienced lecturers who conduct the day session for the Award in Club Management (ACM)

of the South Yorkshire Branch. "It's extremely important that, as an organisation, the CIU passes on the huge body of knowledge that we have at our disposal to those officials who have the responsibility of running their clubs," he says.

"Getting that knowledge out there is probably more important now than ever before given the difficult trading conditions which many clubs have experienced in recent years.

"The aim of the ACM course is simple: to give club officials the day-to-day practical knowledge they require to run their clubs.

"By completing all three units, you should have a really good grasp of all the key elements of 'hands-on' club management and will be able to take that essential knowledge back to your club for the benefit of your members.

"As for the sessions themselves, the lecturers are not trying to make the students feel like they're back in the classroom, rather we try to open up a bit of a two-way discussion about each of the 'learning outcomes' that we

cover throughout the units and make it an enjoyable but very positive experience.

"The course is particularly beneficial to those moving into official positions at their club for the first time but even seasoned club officials would find the ACM extremely useful.

"And you receive a workbook for each unit, which covers every topic in the course, to take back to your club as a very useful reference point."

Another of the course lecturers is Ken Roberts CMD ACM, a member of the NEC and Vice-President of South Wales Branch.

"The ACM day courses are a great opportunity to dip into the pool of shared knowledge that the CIU enjoys as an organisation," he says.

"Opportunities to network with officials from other clubs are a bit more limited now than they were a few decades back when most areas had a number of members' clubs very close to each other who would share their experiences and learn from each other."



Pictured: Ken Roberts CMD ACM and General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM lecture at the ACM Unit 1 day session held at Canton Liberal Club, Cardiff in December of last year

Unit 1

Law & Regulations

Includes:

- Laws and regulations under which social clubs run by volunteers operate
- Main official bodies and categories involved in the licensing process
- The licensing objectives

Unit 2

Law & Regulations (Part 2)

Includes:

- Resolving club disputes
- Procedures for conducting meetings
- Suspensions and expulsions
- Betting, gaming and lotteries

Unit 3

Management, Finance & Administration

Includes:

- Financial control
- Club banking
- Brewery loans and discounts
- Stock taking

Testimonials

“The ACM is an excellent course and I would thoroughly recommend it to anyone who is involved in running a members’ club”

– Tricia Banachowicz ACM, Secretary, Leigh Park Trade Union Working Men’s Club, Havant

“I really couldn't fault how the course is organised and the lecturers are excellent at addressing the practicalities of running a club”

– John Sims ACM, Chairman and President of Bournville Social Club, Birmingham



Everton & Lymore Social Club

Founded in 1920, Everton & Lymore Social Club is situated in the New Forest in Hampshire and is aiming to celebrate its centenary by hosting a number of big events in the summer

Situated in the village of Everton at the southern edge of the New Forest National Park near the Solent coast in Hampshire, Everton & Lymore Social Club has been a key part of the local community for exactly 100 years.

It currently has around 500 members and is open seven days a week – from 12.30-4.30pm on weekdays with all-day opening at the weekend.

“We’re not a massive club but we’re very proud of our facilities and what we offer our members,” says Club Secretary John May.

“The club is very comfortable and modern and the Committee is very committed to making sure we spend a bit of money where it’s most needed each year.”

The club actually began life as a meeting place for local women and was an altogether more humble establishment back then. “In its first incarnation, the club was pretty much a shed used by a Ladies’ Club,” explains John.

“Then the men got involved and in around 1930 a local landowner bought a building from Beaulieu Aerodrome in

which to house the club.”

Scroll forward to the 21st century and the club is unrecognisable from those early days and is now housed in a handsome, redbrick building with fantastic facilities, including two full-sized snooker tables, a pool table, a Function Room, an outside Terrace and a Main Bar and Sports Bar.

Lagers Carling and Carlsberg are big sellers at the bar – both competitively

priced at £3 a pint – while Greene King XX Mild and IPA are also popular options.

Cask ale is also available with regular beers from the local Ringwood Brewery available as well as guest ales.

“The village is mainly populated by older folk but it’s a very popular holiday spot around here in the summer with the port of Lymington just down the road,” says John.



“We do offer temporary memberships to holidaymakers who are staying in one of the caravan parks around here but many of them become full members with the result that we have several members who live hundreds of miles away.”

While the club is busy throughout the year, it is the summer when things really hit top gear with the club one of the key venues for the annual Everton Festival which takes place each June.

“The Festival has been going for around seven years now and the club has become a focal point with music acts playing at the club every day of the week-long event and the club running a beer tent on the Recreation Ground,” says John.

“The intention is to make it even busier this year and build in our centenary celebrations around the festival, although we may have to delay that depending on the situation with the coronavirus.

“Live entertainment is very important to the club and we have had some great acts performing here throughout the year, not just at Festival time.

“Like a lot of clubs, we try and mix up the styles and eras of the music to ensure that there’s a wide appeal.”

“We’re not a massive club but we’re very proud of our facilities and what we can offer our members, including regular live entertainment”

Other key events in the club calendar include Pumpkin Day – an annual village vegetable show which sees prizes handed out for the biggest pumpkins and sunflowers – an annual coach trip to Royal Ascot and the traditional day trip for local pensioners during the summer.

Charity events run throughout the year at the club with fundraisers for the Everton Community Association which distributes money to a variety of good causes.

The club also runs a monthly cinema night with around 30-40 members turning up to enjoy an array of popular films. Among recent offerings have been *Rocket Man*, *Bohemian Rhapsody* and *Judy*.

“We generally run Film Evening on the last Friday of the month in the Function Room,” says John.

“We hire the equipment and film from a local supplier and he always makes sure that we have a choice of really good titles.”

Live sport is also available at the club with football and rugby of particular interest to members. “We have Sky Sports and a large projector screen for big matches,” says John. “We actually have two Sky boxes so that we can show clashing fixtures at the same time. Live



Live entertainment is a regular feature at the club

CLUB OF THE MONTH

sport is not something which packs out the club but we have a dedicated bunch of regulars who come in to watch the games every weekend.

“We refurbished our Sports Bar a couple of years back which totally transformed the space, giving it a more contemporary feel following a period when it was looking quite tired and worn out.

“We invested £18,000 in the project but believe that it is money well spent. Updating the club decor is important and most recently we put in a new wooden floor in the Function Room, replacing an old carpet. It’s much easier to keep clean and looks very nice.”

The club continues to offer many activities that are popular among traditional CIU clubs.

“We have a Meat Raffle with products from a great local butcher on a Saturday, bingo sessions a couple of times a week and run teams in snooker, pool, darts, dominoes and cribbage who compete in the local leagues and do very well,” says John.

“Our two snooker tables are very well maintained with the result that we have a very good local reputation for our snooker facilities and that helps to attract members.

“Private functions are a valuable



The club runs the beer tent at the annual Everton Festival

source of income for the club and we’re happy with the number of people from the village who have chosen to host parties here.

“That is something which is bringing in valuable income to the club and it is also making people more aware of the club.

“We’ve put up noticeboards outside the front entrance which let everyone know what’s on in the club and that visitors are welcome and that

definitely helps to get potential new members through the doors.”

CONTACT DETAILS

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Contact Secretary on (01255) 674153

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48 Carnarvon Road, Clacton On Sea, Essex, CO15 6QA 01255 424633

We are situated next to Clacton Railway Station and within walking distance of Clacton Seafront and the award winning Pier, Cash bingo is played on Monday, Wednesday & Friday's with games starting at 1pm. We have live entertainment every Saturday night, we also have a large screen show casing BT Sport, so pop in for a drink and a friendly welcome.

We welcome coach parties so if you want to come and pay us a visit please ring the Club Secretary on: 01255 424633

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439 Dunsbury Way, Havant PO9 5BD

The largest club on the South Coast Situated 2 miles from A3(M) and A27 and within 20 minutes' drive of Goodwood and Fontwell Races. Visiting clubs welcome. Live bands on Saturday nights and food, darts, snooker and pool available all week.

Please contact the Secretary on

(023) 92472624

email: workingmens.ins@btconnect.com

website: www.workingmensclubleighpark.co.uk.

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85 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight PO31 7AJ.

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Entertainment Friday and Saturday evenings.

Tel: (01983) 716482

email: cowescssc@onwight.net

HEREFORD & WORCESTERSHIRE

Hereford Welsh Social Club

1 Hinton Road, Hereford, HR2 6BL.

Tel: (01432) 269038/265874

Email: herefordwelshsocialclub@hotmail.co.uk

A friendly welcome is extended to all Associate Members. Live Entertainment every Saturday evening. Hot and cold food available. Coaches welcome (please contact Secretary prior to your visit).

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www.herefordwelshsocialclub.co.uk

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Contact Secretary,

Les Walker on (01432) 356 529.

email: richmondclubsecretary@btconnect.com

KENT

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Royal Oak Road, Bexleyheath. DA6 7HG Telephone (0208) 303 2163

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SUNDRIDGE PARK WMC

134 BURNT ASH LANE, BROMLEY.

Tel: (020) 8464 3638 (Office); (020) 8460 6348 (Club)

Located close to A21 and A20. A warm welcome is extended to all visitors. Two bars serving a wide range of drinks. TV in bar and the lounge. Purpose-built snooker room with four tables. Live entertainment Saturday and Sunday evenings. Coach parties by prior arrangement with the office.

LEEDS & WEST YORKSHIRE

Belle Isle WMC

Belle Isle Road, Leeds LS14 3PE.

Warm and friendly club with large car park, good value beer and large concert room. Live bands Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Coaches welcome.

Contact Secretary on (0113) 2718 768.

SWARCLIFFE WORKING MEN'S CLUB

Swarcliffe Avenue, Leeds LS14 5DE

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Planning a day at the races?

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Contact: Glen Doyle (Secretary) - (0113) 2959100

LEICESTER & EAST MIDLANDS

Nottingham Oddfellows Club

89 Humberstone GATE, Leicester.

TELEPHONE: (0116) 262 0181

262 5404 (Evenings) – CIU Affiliated

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

SKEGNESS EX-SERVICE CLUB

2 Grand Parade, Skegness, PE25 2UN.

Telephone: (01754) 762113

Located on the seafront near the clocktower, 2-3 mins from town centre. Lounge bar, pool/children's room, 1st floor patio area. Reasonably priced beers/lagers and house doubles. Selection of chilled baps. Live entertainment every Saturday (Sundays main season). Sky and BT Sport shown. Open 11.30- 11.30 most days. Pre-booked coaches welcome – come to a completely refurbished 21st century club.

LONDON

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Northolt Road, South Harrow HA2 0DW.

Extends a warm welcome to all Associate members and guests. Situated 10 minutes from the A40 and 20 minutes from Wembley Stadium. Coach parties welcome with prior notification to Bruce or Elaine on 0208 422 1222. For entertainment details check our website. www.harrow-club.co.uk

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Pump Lane, Hayes, Middlesex UB3 3NB.
Telephone: (020) 8573 1721
e-mail: bobdaybell@aol.com

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Email: wmmc1@hotmail.co.uk
Tel: 020 8459 5846

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3 Stuarts Crescent, Wood Green London N22 5NJ
Tel: 0208 8889917
Email: woodgreensocialclub@tiscali.co.uk

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NORTHAMPTONSHIRE & CAMBRIDGESHIRE

St James Working Mens Club

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Facilities include bar with television with BT Sport, lounge, snooker room and large function room, free of hire charge for parties and weddings.

5 mins from M1 Junction 15A.

Email stjameswmc2@gmail.com

ELY BEET SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

Lynn Road, Ely, Cambridgeshire, CB6 1DD

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Email: beetsecretary@gmail.com

Tel: 01353 662029

SHEFFIELD & SOUTH YORKSHIRE

ARMTHORPE CORONATION CLUB

Tranmoor Lane, Armthorpe, Doncaster DN3 3BS.

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Telephone: (0114) 239 7151

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High Street, Barnby Dun, Doncaster DN3 1DS

A warm and friendly welcome awaits you. The club is just off the High Street and so close for the football and racing. There is a busy entertainment programme, the chance to hire/use the function room as well as reasonable prices.

Please call Steve Fearon
01302 882936
to book your visit in.

CARCROFT CLUB

Chestnut Avenue Carcroft, Doncaster DN6 8AG

Extends a warm welcome to all CIU affiliated members. Coach Parties welcomed by prior arrangement. 1 mile from A1 and close to M1, M18 and M62.

Top class entertainment every weekend. Handy for Doncaster Races and trips returning from North or South coastal routes. Big screen TVs and live football

All enquiries to
Jim Hutchinson, Secretary on
(01302) 725497;

email: secretary@carcroftclub.com
website: www.carcroftclub.com

HAWTHORN RECREATIONAL & SOCIAL CLUB

Goodison Boulevard, Cantley, Doncaster.

Tel: (01302) 535 995

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Craithie Road, Doncaster DN2 5EG.

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MARKHAM MAIN OFFICIALS SOCIAL CLUB LTD

Markham Main Officials Social Club Ltd
The Old Colliery Yard, Off Harris Road
Armthorpe, Doncaster DN3 2BP

Handy for the racecourse, and Doncaster Rovers. Also the Doncaster Knights (limited parking) approx. 60 spaces. Sky TV in two rooms, and entertainment most weekends.

Contact Club Secretary

Pete Cresswell

Tel 01302 831609

M. 07762507227

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Coaches parties by appointment please:

Contact:

The Steward, Mark on 077516244002
The Secretary, Daniel on 07961102328
Or visit our website at pittshillvictory.co.uk

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32 West Bar Street, Banbury, Oxon OX16 9RR.

Tel: (01295) 254 168.

A warm welcome is extended to all Associates. Coach parties welcome with 14 days prior notice to Secretary Joan Conley.

Live entertainment on Saturday night. Food available. Please contact Secretary with your booking.

WALES

CARDIFF WEST END SOCIAL CLUB

COWBRIDGE ROAD WEST, ELY, CARDIFF CF5 5BY.
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Live entertainment every Saturday night with Bingo/Raffle/Tote/Disco FULL SKY SPORTS/RACING UK. Hot and cold food available. COACH PARTIES MOST WELCOME. Telephone: (029) 2059 4004

Bettws Social Club

Lambourne Way, Bettws, Newport, Gwent.

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

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

MORRISTON WMC

11 Slate Street, Swansea SA6 8AA.

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

Rogerstone and Bassaleg Social Club

1 Tregwilym Road, Rogerstone, Newport NP10 9DW.

A warm friendly welcome assured to all CIU affiliates and guests, less than 10 minutes from junction 27 of the M4. Coach parties welcome by prior appointment, live entertainment every Saturday evening.

Telephone: (01633) 893 508.

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Secretary: (024) 7630 1222 or 7630 3278.
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Bar, games room and luxury lounge facilities.
Large car park. Hot and cold snacks available.
10 minutes from City Centre.
No Children Allowed.

Coach parties apply to Secretary.

HEN LANE SOCIAL CLUB

Beacon Road, Holbrooks, Coventry CV6 4DS.
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Prior notice required for coach parties and catering (menu sent on request).
Please contact the Secretary.

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

WEST MIDLANDS & BIRMINGHAM

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10 CHESTER ROAD, CASTLE BROMWICH, BIRMINGHAM B36 9DD

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Live entertainment every Saturday and Sunday evening. Ballroom Dancing Tuesdays.
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Coaches by arrangement.

Contact the Secretary:
(0121) 747 5256 / 747 2943

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118 School Road, Yardley Wood, Birmingham B14 4JR.
Club Tel: (0121) 474 2026
Sec: (0121) 474 3725

Visit our brand new website:
www.yardleywoodsclub.com

Two large TV screens, 6 snooker tables, bingo and weekly entertainment, bowling green.
Function rooms available for hire and catering.
Large car park at rear of the club.
Associate members welcome.

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(Opposite The James Cook University Hospital)
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Tel: (0191) 386 1487

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Gregory Road, Grindon, Sunderland SR4 9RX

Tel 0191 5342898

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Contact Dave 07735237011

King Street Social Club

Phoenix House, 27 King Street, North Shields NE30 1BZ.

Telephone: (0191) 2900473

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Telephone (0191) 2900474

NORTHALLERTON & DISTRICT WMC

Elder Road, Northallerton, DL6 1NH.

Tel: (01609) 772390

Email: Northallertonwmc@hotmail.co.uk

Situated in the picturesque county town in North Yorkshire, with easy access to A19 and the A1, we extend a warm welcome to CIU associates.

Only 15mins from Catterick, Ripon and Thirsk racecourses. Racing and football channels showing on four TVs. Live entertainment and bingo Saturdays and Sundays.

North Biddick Social Club

Bonemill Lane, Fatfield, Washington NE38 8AN

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Coaches welcome by prior arrangement with Secretary Michael Normile on

(0191) 416 0148

Why not visit our website at www.northbiddickclub.co.uk

VICTORIA SAILORS & WMC

3 Cliff Street, Bridlington YO15 2NU
Tel: 01262 605093

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2 snooker tables, pool, darts, cards and dominoes.

Fully functional kitchen open 7 days a week.

Bingo 5 nights a week and live entertainment every Friday and Saturday. All Coach parties welcome with prior arrangements.

Contact Derek or Jacky for more information.

CATTERICK SOCIAL CLUB

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TEL 01748 811564

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Live entertainment, large screen TVs, pool table, and all usual club facilities. CIU members, affiliates and guests assured of a warm welcome.

120 seat function room available free to club members for private parties, etc

East End WMC Darlington

6 Neasham Road, Darlington DL1 4AD

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Coach trips welcome with prior notice.

Contact office on 01325 380726 or bar 01325 464652.

MEMBERS' CORNER

Informative articles which affect our life

Mental health charity Mind has drawn up a checklist for those groups of people who have been advised to self-isolate because of the Coronavirus (Covid-19).

Checklist – Are you ready to stay at home?

Food: do you have a way to get food delivered?

Cleaning: are your cleaning supplies stocked up?

Money: can you budget for any higher bills or expenses? Will you save money from lower transport costs that you could spend elsewhere?

Work: can you work from home or not? If not, what are your rights to payment or benefits?

Medication: do you have enough medication, or a way to get more?

Health: can you reorganise any planned therapy or treatments?

Commitments: can someone else help you care for any dependents, walk your dog, or take care of any other commitments?

Connectivity: have you checked the contact details of the people you see regularly, like their phone numbers or email addresses?

Routine: can you create a routine or timetable for yourself? And if you live with other people, should you create a household schedule? Do you need to agree how the household will run with everyone at home all day?

Exercise: is there any physical activity you can do inside your home, such as going up and down the stairs, using bean tins as weights, or exercises you can do in your chair?

Nature: have you thought how you could access nature? Can you get some seeds and planting equipment, houseplants or living herbs?

Entertainment: have you thought about things to do, books to read or TV shows to watch?

Relax: have you got materials so you can do something creative, such as paper and colouring pencils?

• For more information, visit: www.mind.org.uk

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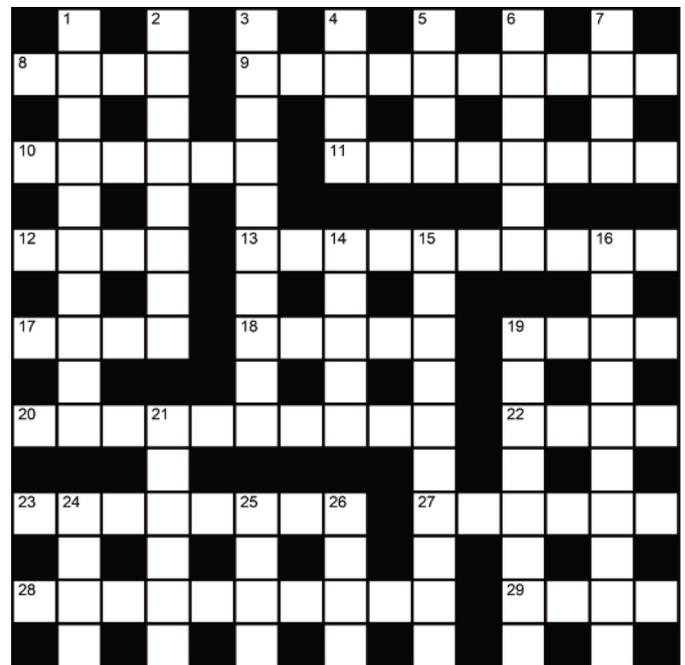
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ACROSS

- 8 Shoo characters out of London district. (4)
- 9 Lad, full of unwarranted conceit could be Eastern. (10)
- 10 Stop the flow arbitrarily, not from collar but to cuff. (3,3)
- 11 Tie clip, about to be made into sunny path. (8)
- 12 Abominable one drawn with dye tincture. (4)
- 13 Bar line set out for old Soviet part of European city. (4,6)
- 17 Draw with either sweet chutney or tomato ketchup. (4)
- 18 At a loss with therapy that's somehow overactive. (5)
- 19 Remove from bland officialdom. (4)
- 20 'Soft' thousand paid for concert instrument? (5,5)
- 22 Sounds on/off in soapy froth. (4)
- 23 Log, cut in with carving and walloping. (8)
- 27 Soapy sort of ivory tower? (6)
- 28 Retired haymaker coming from the family. (10)
- 29 Place of vision and sound. (4)
- 5 False god is just lazy sounding! (4)
- 6 Marksman ripens in a strange way. (6)
- 7 Thre wise ones in an imaging process. (4)
- 14 A recipe for pies producing old photo, in colour. (5)
- 15 Borrow, as by arrangement with hawkers. (6-4)
- 16 I'd definitely be ashamed of unfaithfulness. (10)
- 19 Free from wrong idea, on basis due for change. (8)
- 21 Sickness to be cured by way of a sauna. (6)
- 24 Spring vegetable, this one? (4)
- 25 Bit of Garibaldi biscuit to lure out the wader. (4)
- 26 Kit that could be all the rage. (4)

DOWN

- 1 Let-outs are not good for indifferent folk. (5-5)
- 2 Peculiar month with oil in it for the stone. (8)
- 3 Chop and see off weedy stuff from the café. (6,4)
- 4 Cruelly cane, just for having spotty stuff! (4)



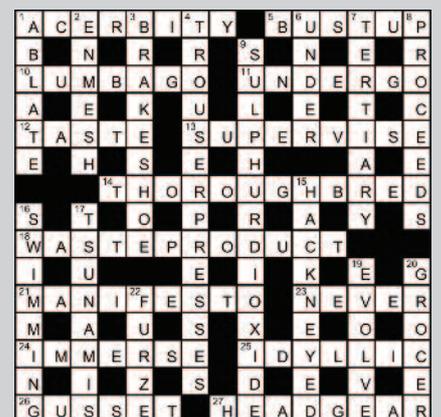
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Send your entry to Club Journal Crossword, Alchemy Contract Publishing, 59/60 Thames St, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 1TX. **Deadline April 25.**

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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- Brian Smith of Osset WMC
- James Neary of Plumstead Common WMC
- Brian Whalley of Carlisle Ex-Servicemen
- G. Windebank of Woolley Bridge WMC
- Terry Wilkin of Westfield Social Club



WHAT CAN THE CIU DO FOR YOUR CLUB?

Here's an in-depth look at the many services and benefits offered by the CIU to its affiliated clubs, including legal advice, the chance to learn about club law and finance through the Union's Education Programme and the opportunity to take part in sports competitions at both National and Branch level

Advice and Help for Clubs

Affiliated clubs can take advantage of the resources of the CIU through their local Branch Secretary and from Head Office with assistance offered in legal proceedings where matters of club principles are involved. The Union produces a series of contracts and handbooks which take in the current legislative requirements, including the Club Secretary Handbook which is regularly updated to include the most recent changes to employment law. The Union also runs an Arbitration Training programme.

Club Journal

Club Journal is the Union's official monthly magazine and is a must-read for CIU members. Each month the magazine features news from around the branches, club profiles, opinion columns from leading Union figures, business-building advice from the experts, sporting news and results, plus details of the CIU Racing Club discounts available to members. Each affiliated club receives one free copy of the monthly magazine while an annual subscription of 12 issues costs £7.50.

Education

The new Award in Club Management (ACM) is a qualification which comprises three self-contained units each taking one day of Regulation and Licensing study to complete. Unit 1 covers Law & Regulation, Licensing, Unit 2 covers Other Law and Regulations and Unit 3 covers Management, Finance and Administration. The course is open to all CIU members but is specifically aimed at people who are going to be sitting on club committees and occupying positions of authority within clubs for the first time.

PRS for Music Tariff

The CIU has negotiated a special discount for its clubs with the PRS for Music which collects and distributes licence fees for the use of music on behalf of songwriters, composers and performers. The licence covers music played through radios, CDs, streaming on the internet, music on TVs and also live music performances. The tariff for Members' Clubs is printed annually and placed in *Club Journal*. It can also be downloaded from the CIU website: www.wmciu.org.uk

Charity

CIU clubs are at the forefront of raising funds for an array of national and local charities with members getting involved in a range of activities – from charity darts marathons and sponsored bike rides to special fundraising concerts and entertainment nights. As well as countless local charities, many national charities benefit from CIU events that are held throughout the year at our clubs, including the Alzheimers Society, the British Heart Foundation and Macmillan Cancer Support.

Lobbying on Behalf of Clubs

Union officials have been at the forefront of helping shape legislation across a number of areas of crucial importance to clubs through the CIU's involvement with the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Non-Profit Making Private Members' Clubs. This group, which meets quarterly at Westminster, gives the Union direct access to both Members of Parliament and Peers from across the political spectrum. The CIU also plays a leading role in the Committee of Registered Clubs' Association (CORCA).





Rules

The CIU Rules Department deal with all matters relating to rules on behalf of clubs, the Union and the Branches. The preparation of all rule changes for the approval of the club members, the registration with the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and the printing through the Union's printer, are all dealt with at Head Office. Head Office also deals with clubs' affiliation to the Union. The Union has produced a Generic Rules Book especially to help clubs which are currently unaffiliated to the CIU.

Events - CIU National Charity Raceday

Dransfields CIU National Charity Raceday is an annual event, held at Wetherby Racecourse in November. This is one of the highlights of the CIU calendar and the 2019 event saw 1,000 Union members enjoying a fantastic day out as they raised over £1,700 for the CIU's Education Programme. The CIU marquee is situated next to the Winners Enclosure, with discounted beer and hearty food on offer. The CIU also runs an annual Greyhound Racing night each September in Sheffield.

Events - CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition

Taking place during Conference Weekend each April, the CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition provides a great opportunity for club delegates to attend a free trade show which is specifically targeted at the needs of CIU clubs. The show provides a great day out for club men and women, as the many exhibitors – including several of the CIU's Preferred Suppliers such as Aon, Dransfields and Heineken UK – show attendees how they can help increase profits and save money on running costs at their clubs.

Sport & Games

The Union is one of the biggest organisers of sporting competitions in the country with trophies being competed for at both a National and Branch level. The following Indoor Championships are held annually within the CIU: Team Darts, Team Pool, Team Snooker, Individual Snooker, Individual Darts, Individual Pool, Dominoes 5s and 3s, Dominoes Straights and Cribbage Pairs. Many nationally ranked snooker and darts players first honed their skills at their local CIU club.

The CIU Racing Club

The CIU Racing Club continues to go from strength to strength with more clubs taking advantage of special discounted tickets for club outings to a variety of racecourses across the country. Each month, *Club Journal* publishes an updated list of fixtures for race meetings throughout the year for which CIU members can obtain their discounted tickets, as well as giving details of exciting 'one-off' offers and packages, including racedays at some of the country's top racing venues, including Chepstow and Haydock Park.

CIU Official Website

The CIU's official website (www.wmciu.org.uk) provides a wealth of information regarding the activities going on throughout the Union, as well as contact details for Head Office and Branch personnel. It also has a 'Breaking News' section, designated pages for each Branch as well as links to the Union's Preferred Suppliers and entry forms for the various sports and games competitions run by the CIU. It also has a database of all the clubs currently affiliated to the CIU.



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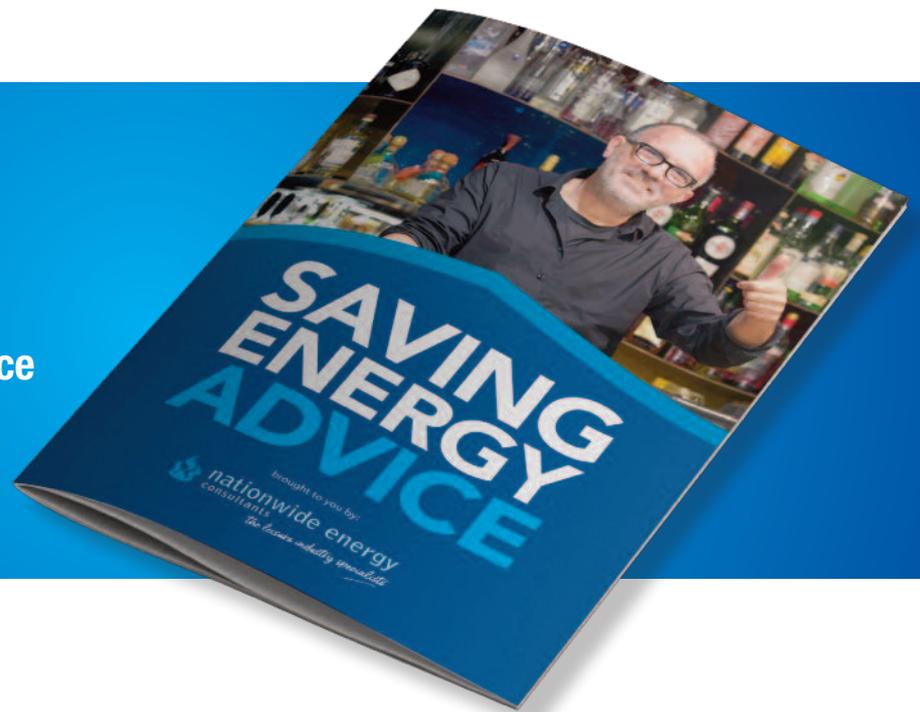
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