

Ken Roberts is named as the new Union President



Ken Roberts CMD ACM has been appointed as Union President

The CIU has announced that Ken Roberts CMD ACM has been appointed Union President and Bob Russell CMD has taken over the position of Union Vice-President.

Both positions were co-opted in accordance with Rule 18(b) of the Union's Constitution.

Mr Roberts first became involved in club management in 1981 at Cwmaman Workmens Club in the South Wales Branch.

He took over as Club Secretary in 1983 and held the position for 37 years.

He also served as South Wales Branch Secretary for 15 years and was elected to the National Executive as the member for the South Wales and Monmouthshire electoral District in 2001.

Mr Roberts was instrumental in the creation of the CIU's Award in Club

Management (ACM) education qualification and is one of the lecturers on the regular day courses.

He became Union Vice-President in April 2021.

Mr Roberts said: "It is an honour to hold the position of President of this great organisation.

"I will offer my full commitment to the Union in these trying times and refuse to believe that the CIU's greatness is a thing of the past."

He added: "We are fortunate heirs to the legacy of our founders of this great movement.

"We must also continue to uphold the mission they set out all those years ago."

The new Vice-President, Bob Russell CMD, served as National Executive Committee member for the Wessex and Western Counties Branches and is the Wessex Branch Secretary.

Club of the Month: Stopsley WMC, Luton



August's 'Club of the Month' is Stopsley Working Mens Club in Luton, Bedfordshire.

Founded in 1946, this family-friendly club has remained at the heart of its local community ever since and offers a packed schedule of activities and events for members to enjoy throughout the year, including live music, discos, bingo and race nights.

The club's sports facilities are second-to-none with its four pool teams, two darts teams and two dominoes teams all taking part in local league competitions.

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Welcome to the August edition of *Club Journal*.

As you will see on the front page, Ken Roberts CMD ACM has been named as the new President of the Union while Bob Russell CMD has taken over the role of Union Vice-President.

I am sure all club men and women will join me in congratulating them both and wishing them well in their new positions.

In other CIU news, Sheffield's Owlerton Stadium will be hosting our greyhound racing event on Friday, September 13.

For the special discounted price of £20, Union members can enjoy a three-course meal in the glass-fronted Panorama Restaurant where you can watch the racing from the comfort of your seat.

To book a place, please call Owlerton direct on 0114 2343074 and quote 'CIU Night'.

The latest batch of candidates to pass the Union's Award in Club Management (ACM) have been announced – see page 21 for the full list of names.

If your club has a minimum of 10 candidates eager to complete the ACM, then the course will come to you and the three self-contained units will be delivered by Union lecturers over three Saturdays of your choice, at your club.

Welcome

For further information, contact Senior Head Office Administrator Cath Fitzpatrick at:

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This month's 'Club of the Month' is Stopsley WMC in Luton.

The club began life as a simple wooden hut in 1946 but is now a huge modern club with first-class facilities and an array of activities and entertainment for members to enjoy throughout the year.

For the full club profile, see pages 12-15.

Meanwhile, on page 17 we have details of the latest CIU National Prize Draw which takes place on August 31.

Please buy a ticket and support the work of your Union!

In our 'HQ' section on page 18, our General Secretary, Kenneth D Green CMD ACM, urges clubs to get in touch with their local MPs following the recent General Election and invite them down to the club to help them understand just how important our venues are to their communities.

I hope you enjoy the issue.

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Sheerness East WMC hosts the Sheppey Darts Classic



Pictured, left to right: Harry Lane (Pairs Winner), Sherilee Whitehead (Tournament Organiser) and Conan Whitehead (Pairs Winner)

Sheerness East Working Men's Club in Kent hosted the two-day Sheppey Darts Classic on the weekend of June 1/2.

Organised by Sherilee Whitehead, the first day saw the Pairs and Youth Competition while the Singles Competition took place on the second day.

The winning Pair was Conan Whitehead and Harry Lane who beat Ryan Hope and Pete Allen in the Final.

The Sheppey Darts Classic Singles champion was Darryl Pilgrim who beat David James Marney in the Final.

Next year's event will take place on May 31/June 1, 2025.



The winners of the Youth Pairs and Youth Singles section of the Sheppey Darts Classic

News in brief



Wombwell Working Men's Club to stage Kids Summer Jungle Party on Sunday, August 25

Wombwell WMC in South Yorkshire will be throwing open its doors to the members of the future when it hosts its Kids Summer Jungle Party on Sunday, August 25.

The afternoon event will be hosted by Flava Fun Parties and will see a disco, games, prizes and free drinks and crisps for the kids.

The party will be jungle themed with prizes for the best costumes on display.

Tickets, costing £3, are available from the club.



Charity fundraising concert at Swarcliffe WMC in memory of Leeds Rhinos hero Rob Burrow

Swarcliffe Working Men's Club in Leeds recently paid tribute to Rugby League legend Rob Burrow CBE who passed away from Motor Neurone Disease in June.

The Leeds Rhinos and Great Britain player won the hearts of the nation with his brave fight against the disease and a foundation has now been set up in his name by his family to help fund research into the condition by the Motor Neurone Disease Association (MNDA).

The event at Swarcliffe WMC took place on Friday, August 2 and featured live performances as well as raffles, including one for the prize of a gallon of beer, raising money for the MNDA.

News in brief



Walton WMC members set for Spice Girls tribute act and 90s disco in October

Walton Working Men's Club in Surrey have announced that Spice Of Your Life – a Spice Girls tribute act – will be performing at the club on Saturday, October 26.

Tickets are available direct from the club and cost £10 each.

Silverdale WMC honours two Committee stalwarts



Silverdale Working Men's Club in Newcastle-under-Lyme recently held a ceremony to present two stalwart Committee Members with their Long Service Awards for 25 years of service apiece. Pictured, left to right: Jack Haughey CMD ACM (NEC Member and West Midlands Branch Secretary), Jack Swinney (Club Secretary) and Melvin Huxley (Committee Member)

CLUB NOTICES

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Colebatch's Club (West Midlands Branch)

Club withdrawn

Ossett Central Club (Heavy Woollen Branch)

Club name changes

From: Upton United Services Club

To: Upton United Services Club Ltd (Wakefield Branch)

From: United Services Club & Institute Pocklington

To: United Services Club & Institute Pocklington Ltd (York City Branch)

From: Old Shildon Working Men's Club

To: Old Shildon Sports & Social Club Ltd (Durham Branch)

West Moor Social Club hosts 'Stars In Your Eyes' night



West Moor Social Club in Newcastle upon Tyne hosted a 'Stars In Your Eyes' fundraising night

West Moor Social Club teamed up with Radio Shields and Showbiz North East in May to host a 'Stars In Your Eyes' fundraising evening.

The night saw a number of talented singers taking to the stage to perform as their favourite artistes with a judging panel awarding a trophy to the winning act.

Showbiz North East is an organisation which support those suffering from health issues, learning disabilities and mental health problems, through the world of music.

Richmond Place Club donates to Therapy Centre



Hereford's Richmond Place Club has been raising money for the Oxygen and Wellness Therapy Centre in the town which helps people suffering from long-term neurological disorders

The Richmond Place Club in Hereford recently made a £910 donation to the Oxygen and Wellness Therapy Centre in the town.

The Centre supports those living with long-term health conditions, with a special focus on Multiple Sclerosis and other neurological disorders.

The money was raised from the club's Darts Open and donations collected at the regular country music night and from the Table Tennis League which takes place at the club.

A further donation of £1,800 was made to the Centre by the Hereford Invitation Skittles League, of which the Richmond Place Club is a participant.

Eastbourne WMC achieves beer 'gold standard'

Eastbourne Working Men's Club in Dorset has been granted the Beer Marque accreditation which signifies that the club has met stringent standards for the storage, temperature, appearance, aroma, and taste of draught beers (cask ales/bitters, lagers, ciders, and stouts).

An independent assessor conducts thorough inspections to ensure these standards are consistently met and the club can now display the Beer Marque plaque.

Meanwhile, Wendy and Lorraine from the club's Ladies Darts Team recently undertook a sponsored 12-hour darts marathon in order to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

The intrepid pair's efforts raised a magnificent £2,417 for the charity.



News in brief



Doncaster's Intake Social Club ready for Xmas special Bonkerzz Bingo event in December

The Intake Social Club in Doncaster will be hosting a Bonkerzz Bingo Afternoon in December.

The fun gets underway at 2pm on Sunday, December 22 and will see some great prizes up for grabs as well as plenty of comedy and music.

Tickets cost £20 and are available directly from the club.



Chandler's Ford Central Club announces a strong line-up of acts for the rest of 2024

Chandler's Ford Central Club in Eastleigh, Hampshire has announced a series of top entertainment evenings throughout the last four months of 2024 to keep their members entertained.

On Friday, September 27, the club will be hosting Britain's Got Talent semi-finalist Eva Iglesias who will be lending her powerful vocals to a number of classic hits.

Other highlights coming up at the club include: Bandwagon (Friday, September 27), Call Me Blondie (Saturday, October 5), Funk U Up (Friday, November 1), the Highwatts (Saturday, November 30), Simply Weller – a tribute to the Jam, the Style Council and the solo career of Paul Weller (Saturday, December 7), Unde Jack (Saturday, December 21) and Where's Johnny? (Saturday, December 28).

Meanwhile, the club's big New Year's Eve celebration on December 31 will be headlined by highly rated band Take Cover who will be performing hits from across the eras.

Big Powerhouse Wrestling comes to Sarisbury Green Social Club



Sarisbury Green Social Club in Southampton will be hosting a spectacular wrestling show on Saturday, August 17 as the stars of Big Powerhouse Wrestling come to the club

News in brief



Filton Social Club get set to welcome the Top of the Pops Band for September performance

Bristol's Filton & District Social Club has announced that the popular Top of the Pop Showband will be performing at the club on Saturday, September 28.

The three-piece band will be playing some of the most famous Motown and Soul hits from across the years as well as big hits from the '70s and '80s.

Among the artistes featured in the bands normal set are: The Four Tops, Tina Turner, The Mavericks, The Drifters, Queen, Bob Marley and The Bay City Rollers.

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Groove Armada sail into Walthamstow Trades Hall



Groove Armada – Andy Cato and Tom Findlay – performed at the Stow-Ho House charity night in July at Walthamstow Trades Hall, raising money for the Success Charity

Dance legends Groove Armada were the surprise guest DJs at a charity music night held at Walthamstow Trades Hall in July.

The duo, composed of Andy Cato and Tom Findlay, have a string of hits to their name, including ‘At the River’, ‘I See You Baby’ and ‘Superstylin’ and are accustomed to playing in front of audiences in their thousands.

For this intimate event, part of the Stow-Ho House series of charity nights, there was a crowd of just 250 lucky fans who had managed to get a ticket for the sold-out night.

Past Stow-Ho House nights have featured surprise performances by the likes of Fatboy Slim and Arctic Monkeys producer James Ford.

Starting as a platform for local talent, the event series has evolved into a string of high-profile events, held several times a year at Walthamstow Trades Hall with tickets incredibly hard to come by as they sell out minutes after going on sale.

Co-promoters Juliet Cromwell and Sam Potts, who use Stow-Ho House to raise money for Success Charity, said: “We are completely overwhelmed by the support and demand for these shows.

“The level of global renowned DJs who are keen to play, and take time out to get behind this charity event series is truly mind blowing. The Walthamstow community is buzzing right now. There will be more to come for Stow-Ho house. Watch this space.”

The night with Groove Armada raised thousands of pounds for Success Charity, dedicated to creating brighter futures for childhood brain tumour survivors and their families by providing access to improved rehabilitative care.

News in brief



Tribute act West Coast Eagles set for September date at Longbridge Social Club

Birmingham’s Longbridge Social Club will be hosting the West Coast Eagles on Saturday, September 7.

The five-piece band will be performing their tribute to American rock band the Eagles who had a string of hits in the 1970s, including ‘Hotel California’, ‘Desperado’ and ‘Take It Easy’.

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Cancer Research UK fundraising night to take place at Dartford Social Club in September

Dartford Social Club will be hosting a Music Night on Saturday, September 14 in order to raise funds for Cancer Research UK.

The event will see performances from the Odd Fellows with their mix of Funk, Soul, Pop and other genres and Lookin’ Back, who will be performing some big hits from the ‘50s, ‘60s and ‘70s, with a Soul DJ set rounding off the night.

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Stopsley Working Men's Club was founded in 1946 and was originally housed in a wooden hut



Stopsley Working Men's Club

Founded in 1946, Stopsley Working Men's Club in Luton has been at the heart of its local community ever since with a wide range of activities keeping its members entertained

Stopsley Working Men's Club in Luton, Bedfordshire was founded back in 1946 in a basic wooden hut but has expanded over the intervening years to become an impressive modern club with excellent all-round facilities.

The club consists of three large rooms, all with their own bar, including the main Members Lounge, complete with three pool tables and two dartboards.

But, of course, a club is more than bricks and mortar, and what also makes Stopsley WMC stand out as a venue is its friendly and family-orientated ethos which has ensured that a steady stream of new people



continue to discover a new home-from-home at the club.

“We really want to be a club which has something for everyone,” says Club Secretary Pauline Hailey. “The club is very much part of the local community and we aim to provide a safe, welcoming environment to people of all ages, from young families to seniors, and provide a place where everyone can get together and enjoy themselves.

“The members are the most important people at the club and the Committee Members and staff all work really hard together to ensure that the members can come in here, relax and have a good time.”

For a perfect illustration of this ethos, the club enjoyed a bumper period during the recent UEFA European Championship as members flocked to the club in huge numbers to witness England’s march to the Final.

“The Euros were great for us,” says Pauline. “We really made the most of the tournament and decorated the

club with St George’s flags and put all the fixture lists up on the wall and advertised them on our website and on Facebook.

“We also did a free barbecue a couple of hours before the kick-offs of the England games and that was really successful in encouraging members to come and watch the games here on our big screen.

“We didn’t do any drinks promotions to tie in with the Euros because our prices are extremely reasonable anyway and we did really good business throughout the tournament, even if England couldn’t quite lift the trophy.”

But, of course, the domestic football season is about to get underway and the club will be showing plenty of live football on Sky Sports and TNT Sports.

As you’d expect given its location, the club has a significant number of Luton Town fans amongst its members and Hatters games invariably draw a crowd to the club..

“We do really well out of showing

live sport and it was great to have Luton Town in the Premier League last season,” says Pauline. “Obviously, they’ve now been relegated to the Championship after a disappointing campaign in the top flight but we are still expecting plenty of fans to come in and watch their live fixtures.

“They have a big following around here but their ground only holds about 12,000 so that is a great opportunity for us as people who can’t get into the stadium may still want to watch the game with fellow fans. We make sure that we advertise the Luton Town fixtures to our members well in advance.

“But the live Premier League games will also be popular and we will also show other sport such as rugby, the Olympic Games and horse racing – we even showed the All-Ireland Hurling Final in July which brought in quite a few people.

“The beauty of our set-up is that we have a big screen down one end of the room and you can have a load of members enjoying the football there,



The club boasts impressive sporting facilities and runs four pool teams, two darts teams and two dominoes teams



The club has three large rooms each with their own bar

and then, on the other side of the room there are people with no interest in sport listening to music on the jukebox and chatting with their friends.”

Playing Sport is just as much a part of the club’s appeal as watching it, with the club boasting first-class facilities – including three pool tables and two dartboards – and a proud record in national and local competitions, as is obvious from the club’s packed trophy cabinet.

“We have four pool teams, two darts teams and two dominoes teams,” says Pauline. “We have actually invested in a third pool table quite recently as the sport is so popular among our members.

“And with a lot of clubs and pubs shutting down in and around our area, we’ve inherited some sports teams who have lost their original venue and are now members here.

“We’ve got two guys on our committee that play pool to a good level and they’re really passionate about the sport so we ensure that the

tables are always in excellent condition. We host the District League Finals here so that’s a testament to our facilities.

“Darts-wise, we host a lot of darts competition including the Men’s and Ladies’ Super League events. We have two permanent dartboards but also have the space in our club to put in mobile dartboards when required.

“And when there’s a finals night or presentation, we put entertainment and food on, perhaps sandwiches or a curry, and we offer that out to everyone in the club meaning that all the members are involved, not just the ones there for the sports event.

“It creates a great atmosphere, the members are happy and it brings new people in who will often want to become members after visiting us for the first time.”

The club has also teamed up with a local youth team, a move which has greatly strengthened membership numbers.

“The sponsorship deal with the youth section of Stopsley Sharks FC

has been really good,” says Pauline.

“Part of the deal is that at least one parent has to become a member of the club – the football club charges them a pound a month and that covers their membership at our club.

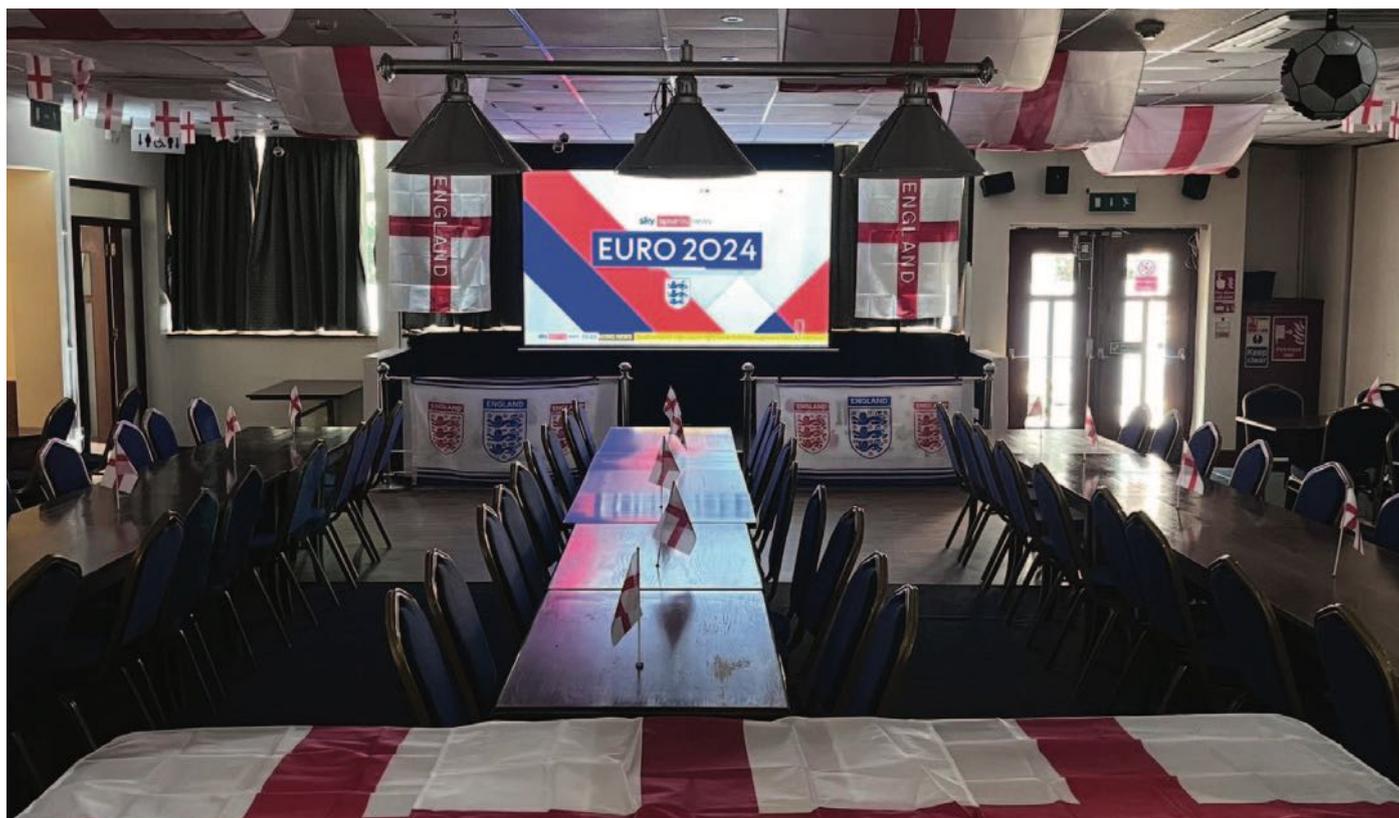
“We have gained around 600 members from the football and they can come in as a family.

“The football club can use our Hall for their presentations and also for fundraisers and, of course, that gives us the added benefit of increased takings over the bar.

“We are also the home base of the Stopsley Striders which is a running/walking club for all abilities and they hold a meeting here every month.”

Another key attraction for members is the club’s wide range of drinks at each of the three bars.

“We have a really good selection of draught beers, including Heineken, Coors, Cruzcampo and Moretti and we have a great relationship with our brewery so often get support from them when we have a charity



The club pulled out all the stops for the recent UEFA European Championship and live Premier League and Championship football is popular throughout the year

fundraiser or a special club event,” says Pauline.

“We try and keep our prices down and we’re certainly excellent value when compared to other venues in our area.

“We’re a members club so we really listen to our members and act on their suggestions. We will always give things a try. If it works, we keep it and if it doesn’t, we try something else!

“The club is very involved in the community and we have all sorts of groups meeting here, as well as private functions, including Diwali celebrations.

“We have a Club Licence and a Personal Licence to enable us to host more private functions,” explains Pauline. “The income we receive from private events is important as this is a big building that needs an awful lot of maintenance.”

Meanwhile, on July 4 this year the club welcomed many hundreds of new people through its door as it became an official polling station for the Luton North Constituency.

“That helps to raise the profile of the club as people could have moved into the area and perhaps won’t know we are here, despite the fact we have a large sign outside the club,” says Pauline.

“Since the General Election, there has been a notable influx of new people enquiring about membership having come here for the first time in order to vote and seeing that it’s a nice club with plenty going on.”

Live entertainment remains very popular at the club with Entertainment Secretary Liam Leaning bringing some top acts to the club on a regular basis.

“Liam is very good at getting a really good mix of performers over the year, including solo singers and bands

playing music of different genres and eras,” says Pauline.

“We also have race nights a couple of times a year and organise big parties around the major celebratory days such as New Year’s Eve where we really pull out all the stops and make the room look fantastic.

“We also had a great St Patrick’s Day party in March which attracted over 150 people,” says Pauline.

“Liam has an Irish background and he organised for a local Irish dancing school to come and give a display and it was a fantastic night with lots of members really getting into the spirit of things and dressing up.

“We’re really happy with how the club is going at the moment and we want to continue listening to our members and giving them a fantastic experience whenever they are here!”



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The CIU National Prize Draw gives Union members the opportunity to win significant cash prizes or prizes each month with tickets available to buy online via their computers or smartphones.

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A: Yes. Please go online to ciu.praxisplay.online and sign up to create an online account and play the CIU Raffle.

Q: How will I receive my winnings?

A: The Winners receive an email and text confirming their win, along with payment into the client's CIU draw app account. The user can then withdraw the funds via the app account to another bank account.

Q: I have a technical issue with the App. Who do I contact?

A: In-app users can create a support ticket or call the CIU Head Office on 0207 226 0221 for help with any problems they encounter.

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News in brief

Updated CIU Contracts and Club Secretary's Handbook are available to buy from branches

- Club Staff Accommodation Contract
- Contract of Employment – Bar Manager
- Club Staff Handbook
- Contract of Employment – Bar/Cleaning Staff
- Contract of Employment – Club Steward
- Club Secretary's Handbook
- Zero Hours Contract

They are each priced as follows - £5 per Handbook; £3 per contract.

Due to increased production and postage costs the price list will be reviewed over the coming months.

National Executive Committee dates

The dates for the NEC meetings at Head Office in 2024 are: September 4&5, October 16&17 and December 4&5.

Please note that selected meetings will be held via Zoom in in order to save on travel costs and there are no scheduled NEC meetings in August and November.

CIU Conference 2025 dates

The dates for the 2025 Conference Weekend are as follows:

Thursday, April 24 – NEC Meeting

Friday, April 25 – 33rd CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition (Norbreck Castle Hotel)

Saturday, April 26 – The 161st Annual Meeting

Clubs urged to contact their local MP and help strengthen Union's voice at Parliament

Union General Secretary
Kenneth D Green CMD ACM



Following the recent General Election, CIU clubs are being urged to contact their local MP and invite them down to the club to demonstrate how important Union venues are to their local communities.

Union General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM said: “The start of a new Parliament is a great opportunity for clubs to forge closer links with their local MP and help give our clubs a greater voice in shaping future legislation.

“As part of our leading role in the Committee of Registered Clubs Associations (CORCA) and the All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for Non-Profit Making Members’ Clubs, the CIU has lobbied on behalf of the Club Movement at the highest levels of Government for many years and achieved many notable successes.

“Clubs can help this process greatly by getting in touch with their local MP and inviting them to your club to see first-hand just what our venues offer to their local communities.

“This will help your club to raise its profile locally and help MPs to understand the unique nature of our clubs and why they deserve the support of politicians.

“They will see how our clubs provide safe, friendly environments for people to get together; raise money for charity; provide meeting places for local groups and societies; give support and fellowship to elderly and vulnerable people and provide employment for local people.”

Book up now for a great night out at the Dogs

Dransfields CIU Greyhounds Racenight will take place on Friday, September 13 at Sheffield's Owlerton Stadium with Union members able to enjoy a three-course meal in the Grandstand for just £20



The Dransfield CIU Greyhounds Racenight will be on Friday, September 13 at Owlerton Stadium in Sheffield

Sheffield's iconic Owlerton Stadium will be hosting the Dransfields CIU Racenight on Friday, September 13.

This great event is a fantastic opportunity to witness some top-class dog racing on one of the best tracks in the country and to have a good night out with some club colleagues.

For the special discounted price of £20, Union members can enjoy a three-course meal in the glass-fronted Panorama Restaurant where you can watch the racing from the comfort of your seat.

As in previous editions of this annual event, a total of 14 races will take place throughout the evening, making for a fast-paced night of action.

Union General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM and other members of the NEC will be attending the event, along with representatives of many of the Union's Preferred Suppliers, including Racenight title sponsors Dransfields.

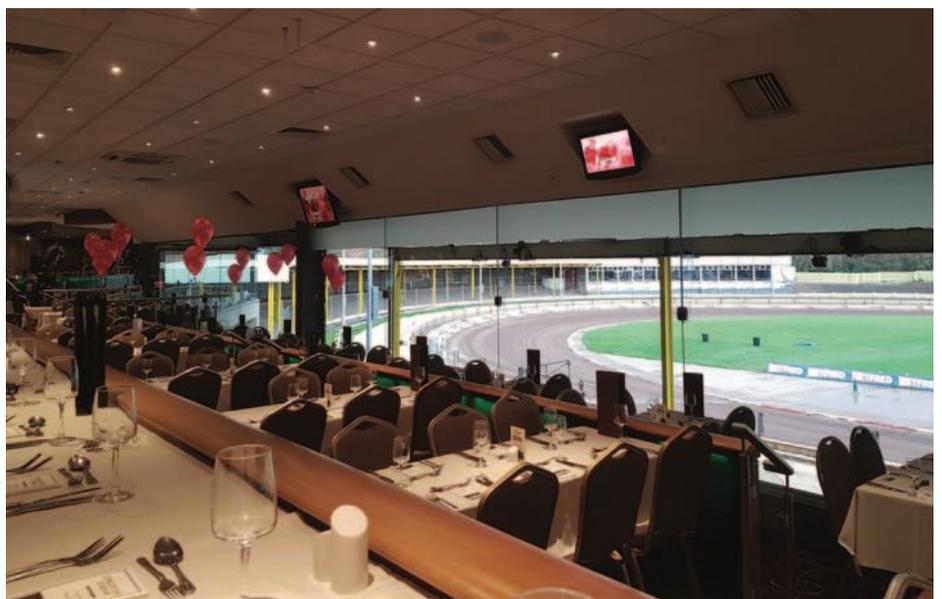
Even if members of your club can't make it to Sheffield on the night, you can still get involved by taking part in

the CIU Greyhound Sweepstake by picking the winning dog in the Dransfields CIU sponsored race – a letter will be sent to your club from Head Office.

Owlerton Stadium itself is very easy to travel to, being just five minutes away from Sheffield's City Centre.

To book dinner in the restaurant for the CIU-discounted price of £20 per person, please call the venue direct on 0114 2343074 and quote 'CIU Night'.

This offer is on a 'first-come, first-served' basis so be sure to book as soon as possible so that you do not miss out on a great night.



CIU members can enjoy a three-course meal in the Grandstand restaurant for £20

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Latest batch of candidates earn the ACM

Following the three Award in Club Management (ACM) day courses held in Northampton in recent months, the latest batch of candidates have achieved the qualification covering the key topics of club administration

Seven candidates recently completed all three units of the Award in Club Management (ACM) following the day courses held at the South East Midlands Branch Office at St James WMC in Northampton in May, June and July.

Specifically designed for CIU clubs, the ACM gives club officials – and potential club officials – a thorough grounding in the key aspects of running a club.

The qualification consists of three self-contained units, each taking one day of classroom-based study to complete and costing £30 per unit and the units do not need to be taken in order.

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 – or will 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 the rules and regulations surrounding gaming machines in clubs.

If you have a minimum of 10 participants from your club or a combination from clubs in your surrounding area, the ACM course will come to you

Please contact Cath Fitzpatrick at the CIU Head Office on 020 7226 0221 or email:

Catherine.Fitzpatrick@wmcui.org to discuss hosting a future course.



The Award in Club Management covers the essential skills required to run a members' club

The Award in Club Management (ACM) The following have all passed the Award in Club Management

Angela Hudson ACM (SE Midlands Branch Secretary) – St. James WMC

John Hudson ACM – St. James WMC

Millie Michell ACM – Hanslope WM Club

Jonathon Humphries ACM – Moulton Club

Terry Smith ACM – Moulton Club

Rachel Griffiths ACM – Coppenhall WMC

Glen Jones ACM – Wootton WMC

A golden opportunity for clubs

Golden ale could offer clubs the perfect opportunity to grow sales and profits this summer



One in four pints of cask ale sold is golden ale so is your club missing a gold opportunity to cash in?

The summer is a golden period in more ways than one, with opportunities aplenty for venues as warmer weather and glorious sunshine gets members in the right mood to enjoy a few beers with friends and family down at their club or sitting in a beer garden for a lovely, relaxing afternoon or evening.

While sales of many products spike when the mercury rises, cask golden ale shines particularly brightly when the sun makes an appearance.

One in four pints of cask ale sold is golden ale, and that figure is rising – so are you perhaps missing a golden opportunity to cash in?

CGA OPMS data from last year shows clearly that golden ale

significantly grows its share of the total cask market in the summer months.

That in itself is a golden opportunity but we also know that golden ale drinkers visit more frequently and spend more money when they do.

CGA Brandtrack data from 2022 found that 54% of golden ale fans visit venues at least weekly (compared to 46% of general drinkers) and that they spent £121 per month compared to £108 for the average drinker.

As if that wasn't enough, golden ale drinkers also tend to be younger and more affluent and the same CGA data shows that golden ale is more appealing to female consumers.

Combine all of that and you have the perfect drink to appeal to a wider audience and drive fresh footfall among a group that will visit more often and spend more while they are with you.

Golden Trio

The key to targeting this lucrative audience is offering a selection of golden ales to keep cask fans happy.

Fortunately, Greene King and Belhaven have the perfect portfolio of golden cask ales to help you do just that.

First up is Old Golden Hen, a beer that is essentially celestial sunshine in a glass, crafted using a rare and very special Galaxy hop from Tasmania to

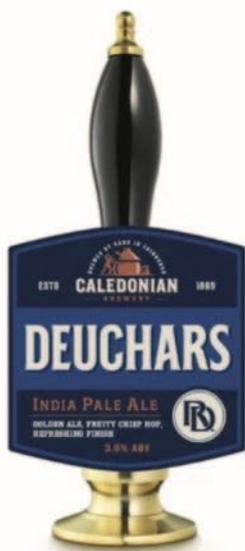


Watch Room Golden Ale will be available in September and October

deliver subtle tropical fruit notes and a deliciously smooth finish.

There are grapefruit and mango notes on the nose and malty sweetness and a hint of tropical fruit on the palate.

The finish is clean and refreshing and the result is a flavour-packed beer



Deuchars IPA is another popular golden ale

that goes well with fish and light salad dishes and is sublime on its own too.

Not only that, our research shows that Old Golden Hen consistently tests significantly better than other beers in blind tests among customers who enjoy golden ales.

Then we have Deuchars, a Golden IPA that has a remarkable heritage and has won over 40 industry awards.

Solid gold in colour, it's a strongly aromatic beer with hints of fresh citrus.

It features light malt, fresh floral flavours and zesty, citric hop and is ideal for a day in a beer garden or to help enhance spicy dishes, curries, cheese, meat and shellfish.

Both beers are available in 9G firkins and 4.5G pins.

Also worth considering is Yardbird, technically a pale ale, but delivering all of those lovely tropical fruit, mango and floral notes that characterise a golden ale.

It has good body balanced by a dry, bitter, lingering finish that just works on a warm sunny day.

Get Fresh

Alongside Greene King and Belhaven's permanent range of golden ales, the Fresh Cask Releases programme for 2024 also adds some further options.

As the year progresses, Watch Room Golden Ale will be available in September and October.

Inspired by Greene King's very own brewery fire brigade – yes, Greene King once had its own fire brigade! – Watch Room is a juicy, tropical golden ale bursting with fruit flavours and is well worth watching out for.

This limited-edition beer is available in 4.5G Pins.

Go For Gold

It's the perfect time to back golden cask ales so why not have a fresh look and see if you can drive more sales and bring more people into cask ale with our top-quality golden ales?

Remember, cask ale accounts for nearly half of all ale serves, according to CGA data, and it's unique to the on-trade – meaning that ale enthusiasts will be seeking out your club for a great selection of cask.

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Club Awards 2024 – Time to shine!



Several CIU clubs, including 'King of Clubs' Walthamstow Trades Hall, were honoured at the 2023 Club Awards



Left to right: Walthamstow Trades Hall & Institute President Claire O'Shea, Vice-President Tony Barnes and Secretary Michelle Fisher



Hereford Richmond Place Bar Manager Alison Walker and Club Secretary Les Walker

Congratulations to all this year's CIU clubs who have been busy entering the Club Awards. Missed the deadline? Then Fast Track your club entry by emailing the club's contact details to sean@alchemymedia.co.uk – Good luck!

Could your club be joining the 2024 Club Awards Hall of Fame? Last year proved an astoundingly successful year for CIU clubs. Let's make 2024 even better!

Congratulations once again to our current entrants and to the spectacular CIU clubs who were welcomed on stage to celebrate success in 2023.



← Full details on the Club Awards can be found at www.clubawards.co.uk or by using this QR code. Want a sense of the event? Take a look at last year's event on Facebook, using this QR code. →



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If this advertisement is of interest to you, and you would like to apply for this role, please send a covering letter and CV to: cluboffice@walmleyclub.org.uk

Please visit www.clubjournal.co.uk/news for a further, generic description of the vacancy we are looking to fill.

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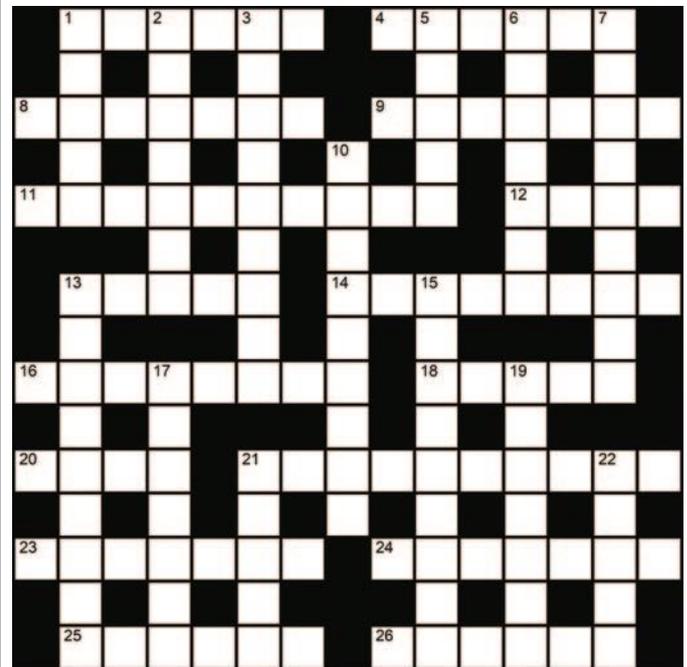
- 1 Cordial sort of marrow? (6)
- 4 Ways to behave with your itches scratched (6)
- 8 Deformed lipoprotein torn out of engine tubing (7)
- 9 The energy spent dressing in nice kit? (7)
- 11 Trying firs out with shallow cooking (4,6)
- 12 That wink you have, it's somewhat dark! (4)
- 13 Obviated ill-informed men when leaving (3,2)
- 14 Toxic evergreen that leader has no sort of place in (8)
- 16 Irritable approach to itching? (8)
- 18 Pompous gait is just a prop (5)
- 20 Abundantly alcoholic? (4)
- 21 Flyers for States reps? (4,6)

- 23 Greater slope is more expensive (7)
- 24 Estimate to be jug? That's dead weird! (7)
- 25 Deists must try somehow to abstain (6)
- 26 So, is my difficulty with a pupil shutting up too much? (6)

- 7 Cites skits as offensive and most awkward (9)
- 10 Frequency adds weight to the bike (9)
- 13 Retire to chew the cud when enrolled (9)
- 15 Plans are applied to a steady religious festival (6,3)
- 17 Seeds to unlock the grate? (3,4)
- 19 Add sugar to the mix of stews? (7)
- 21 Consecrate bighead when smaller (5)
- 22 Spotted gesticulating round the borders (5)

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- 1 Worktime that's in your best interests (5)
- 2 Rude imp could have sportingly arbitrated (7)
- 3 Scorpio, if upset, will become sleep inducing (9)
- 5 Object to being a chant with a lisp! (5)
- 6 Peninsula to be in airborne situation (7)



Name _____
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Send your entry to Club Journal Crossword, Link Spaces, Botanica Ditton Park, Riding Court Road, Slough, SL3 9LL. **Deadline August 25.**

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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

Graham Hogg of Seaton Carew Social Club

Liz Hempstead of Monks Park Northampton

Alice Paylor of Bishopthorpe Social Club

IJ Nichols of Alverthorpe WMC

James Turner of Blucher & District WM





Sunday, August 18, 4.30pm – Sky Sports Premier League

Premier League: Chelsea v Manchester City

Stamford Bridge is the venue for what could be an epic opening weekend clash between Chelsea and reigning champions Manchester City. Chelsea begin a new era under new Manager Enzo Maresca, formerly in charge at Leicester City. This match presents the Italian with a precious early opportunity to assess his side's merits.



Wednesday, August 21, 1pm – ITV

Horse Racing: Ebor Festival, York

Centred around the Ebor Handicap, this four-day meeting has its origins in the early 1700s when York Racecourse was the second UK track to formulate a structured race program. Today, the Ebor Festival is a highly fashionable occasion, with top-quality races across the festival, including the Yorkshire Oaks and the Gimcrack Stakes, as well as the fabled feature race.



Thursday, August 29, 11am – Sky Sports Cricket

Cricket: England v Sri Lanka, 2nd Test

Lord's provides the magnificent backdrop for the 2nd Test between England and Sri Lanka. With Jimmy Anderson and Stuart Broad both now retired, there are new faces in the squad ready to step up to elite level including Surrey's Gus Atkinson, who made a stunning Test debut against West Indies in July, taking seven wickets in the first innings and five in the second.

SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS

The 2024/25 Premier League gets underway on August 16 with a total of six live matches across the opening weekend. There's also action from the Football League, Super League and the Olympic Games in Paris

Thursday, August 8, 8pm

Sky Sports

Super League: St Helens v Salford

Friday, August 9, 11am

BBC/Discovery+

2024 Olympics: Athletics

Friday, August 9, 2.30pm

Sky Sports

Cricket: The Hundred - London Spirit v Manchester Originals

Friday, August 9, 8pm

Sky Sports

Super League: Huddersfield v Catalans Dragons

Friday, August 9, 8pm

Sky Sports

Super League: Hull KR v Castleford Tigers

Friday, August 9, 8pm

Sky Sports Football

Championship Football: Blackburn Rovers v Derby County

Friday, August 9, 8pm

Sky Sports

Championship Football: Preston North End v Sheffield United

Saturday, August 10, 8am

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2024 Olympics: including Athletics, Golf, Football & Table Tennis

Saturday, August 10, 12.30pm

Sky Sports Football

Championship Football: Cardiff City v Sunderland

Saturday, August 10, 12.30pm

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Championship Football: Hull City v Bristol City

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Championship Football: Leeds United v Portsmouth

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Championship Football: Middlesbrough v Swansea City

Saturday, August 10, 12.30pm

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Championship Football: Stoke City v Coventry City

Saturday, August 10, 3pm

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Super League: Leeds Rhinos v Wigan Warriors

Saturday, August 10, 5.30pm

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League One Football: Birmingham City v Reading

Sunday, August 11, 3pm

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Super League: Leigh v Hull

Sunday, August 11, 4pm

Sky Sports

Championship Football: Sheffield Wednesday v Plymouth

Monday, August 12, 3pm

Sky Sports

Cricket: The Hundred - Birmingham Phoenix v Trent Rockets

Monday, August 12, 8pm

Sky Sports

Championship Football: Luton v Burnley

Tuesday, August 13, 7.45pm

Sky Sports

Football: League Cup - Burton Albion v Blackpool

Olympic Games: Coverage
through to August 11,
BBC/Discovery+



Friday, August 16, 8pm

Sky Sports Premier League

Premier League: Manchester United v Fulham

Saturday, August 17, 12.30pm

TNT Sports

Premier League: Ipswich Town v Liverpool

Friday, August 17, 2.30pm

Sky Sports

Hull FC v London Broncos

Saturday, August 17, 5.30pm

Sky Sports Premier League

Premier League: West Ham v Aston Villa

Sunday, August 18, 2pm

Sky Sports Premier League

Premier League: Brentford v Crystal Palace

Sunday, August 18, 4.30pm

Sky Sports Premier League

Premier League: Chelsea v Manchester City

Monday, August 19, 8pm

Sky Sports Premier League

Premier League: Leicester City v Tottenham

Wednesday, August 21, 11am

Sky Sports Cricket

Test Cricket: England v Sri Lanka - 1st Test, Day 1

Wednesday, August 21, 1pm

ITV

Horse Racing: Ebor Festival, York - Day 1

Thursday, August 22, 1pm

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Horse Racing: Ebor Festival, York - Day 2

Friday, August 23, 1pm

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Horse Racing: Ebor Festival, York - Day 3

Saturday, August 24, 1pm

ITV

Horse Racing: Ebor Festival, York - Day 4

Sunday, August 25, 1pm

Sky Sports F1

Formula 1: Dutch Grand Prix

Sunday, August 25, 3pm

Sky Sports

Super League: London v Leigh

Sunday, August 25, 3pm

Sky Sports

Wigan Warriors v Hull

Thursday, August 29, 11am

Sky Sports Cricket

Test Cricket: England v Sri Lanka - 2nd Test, Day 1

Friday, August 30, 8pm

Sky Sports

Super League: Hull KR v Salford

Friday, August 30, 8pm

Sky Sports

Super League: Leigh v Warrington

Sunday, September 1, 1pm

Sky Sports F1

F1: Italian Grand Prix



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