

## President urges clubs to pay overdue Union annual fees

Union President George Smith has urged clubs to ensure that they are up to date on payment of their annual CIU membership fees which were due on November 1.

Mr Smith also underlined the importance of the sale of Pass Cards to members to the overall financial health of the Union and its ability to give support to clubs.

“Our clubs are living through some very challenging economic times,” he said.

“It’s clear that the rise in energy costs, combined with the continuing high levels of inflation, are major concerns for clubs, many of which are still recovering from the blow to trade caused by the pandemic.

“As we have been since 1862, the Union is here to help our member clubs, whatever regulatory, licensing, HR or financial problems they may be facing.

“Expert advice and business support are on hand from branch offices and Head Office whenever required, including help from our dedicated Rules Department.

“We also continue to give our clubs a collective voice at Governmental level as a key part of the Committee of Registered Clubs’ Association (CORCA) which lobbies politicians on regulatory areas which affect members’ clubs.

“Amongst the many other benefits that being a member of the CIU brings is the discounted CIU tariff rate for the PRS For Music licence and access to the Union’s Education Programme.



Union President George Smith

“But to continue to do our job in helping clubs across the land, we need our clubs to support the Union through paying their annual fees as well as selling Pass Cards to their members.

“These are our two main sources of income as an organisation and therefore the absolute lifeblood of the CIU.

“It is worth pointing out that 50 per cent of the annual fees collected from our clubs is returned to the branches to ensure that the local support is there for clubs when they need it.

“So, if you haven’t done so already, please pay your overdue fees as well as encouraging your members to buy Pass Cards.

“This will help ensure that the Union has a sustainable financial model and can continue to support our clubs which are absolutely vital to their members and local communities.”



## CIU clubs recognised at the 2022 Club Awards

CIU clubs were once again honoured for their hard work at the annual Club Mirror Awards held in Leicester on November 16.

The event saw clubs competing for trophies in a number of areas including the hotly contested CIU Club of the Year category.

This category saw three clubs named as winners: Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club in Kent, Lindley Liberal Club in Yorkshire and the Hereford Richmond Place Club in Herefordshire.

Representatives from all three clubs took to the stage to receive their certificates from the Union’s President, Vice-President and General Secretary.

- For a full report of the Awards and pictures, see pages 14-19

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# Welcome

Welcome to the December issue of *Club Journal* as clubs everywhere prepare for a busy festive season with Christmas coming hot on the heels of the World Cup which concludes on December 18.

As you'll see from the report on page 10, the Dransfields CIU Charity Raceday took place on Saturday, November 12 with over 800 Union members having a great day out at a sunny Wetherby Racecourse in the CIU Marquee next to the Winners' Enclosure.

Many thanks to Preferred Supplier Dransfields for their support of this event which raised over £1,600 for the Union's Education Programme.

Union clubs were also out in force for the Club Awards which were held in Leicester on November 16 and which aim to recognise excellence in all sorts of members' clubs.

As ever, our own CIU Club of the Year was keenly contested and this year saw three of our clubs – Hereford Richmond Place Club, Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club and Lindley Liberal Club – named as joint winners in this category and received their certificates on stage from our President, Vice-President and General Secretary.

Our clubs won gold in several other categories too. Lynda Callaghan and Paul Collier of Bellingham Ex-Servicemen's and Social Club won the

Bar Managers/Bar Stewards of the Year category; New Eltham Social Club was crowned Committee of the Year and Stansted Mountfitchet Social Club won Entertainment Club of the Year.

Congratulations to all those clubs who either won on the night or were nominated for these prestigious awards – you have all done the CIU proud.

See pages 14-19 for a report on the evening.

Switching to the subject of education, we will be announcing further ACM day sessions in 2023 in upcoming issues of *Club Journal* so keep an eye out if you'd like to earn this very worthwhile qualification which will give you all the basics on running your club efficiently and profitably.

Talking of administration, the updated and reprinted CIU Rules Book and Standing Orders booklet is now available from your branch and can also be downloaded from [www.wmciu.org.uk](http://www.wmciu.org.uk)

As *Club Journal* signs off for another year, I hope your clubs have a profitable Christmas and a busy New Year.



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## DSA for Peter Turner of Hoo Village Institute



In November, Hoo Village Institute in Kent presented Club President Peter Turner with his Distinguished Service Award following 40 years in various roles, including 20 as the club's President. Pictured, left to right: Linda Perfect (Club Secretary) and Peter Turner (Club President)

## News in brief



### Cullercoats Crescent Club hosts two-day celebration of 1970s supergroup Free

Cullercoats Crescent Club in Newcastle-upon-Tyne hosted the city's annual Free convention for the second time on November 18/19.

This extremely popular event celebrates the music of Free, the band who are perhaps best known for their hit All Right Now which reached No.2 in the charts in 1970s and then No.8 when it was re-released in 1991 after being used in a chewing gum commercial on TV.

The first day saw three bands playing music from Free's six studio albums, while the second saw live acoustic performances of the band's many hits.

The event was in aid of the Newcastle Hospital Trust charity.

## Pride for Chandlers Ford Central Club as trio perform at the highest level



Ryan Mears, John Mullane and Terry Azor of Chandlers Ford Central Club formed the England 'A' Billiards team which triumphed over the summer

On August 12, 2022 the England 'A' Billiards team triumphed over nine other home nation teams to win the Home Nations Billiards Championship 2022 in Leeds.

This included notable victories over Northern Ireland and the England 'B' team in the semis and final respectively.

Perhaps most remarkably the team comprised three players all of whom play both billiards and snooker in the same local team at Chandlers Ford Central Club, the CIU club which is situated near Eastleigh in Hampshire.

Ryan Mears, Terry Azor and captain John Mullane qualified on merit for the top three slots for England.

The Chandlers Ford Central teams, of which Terry Azor is captain and Mullane and Mears are key players, succeeded in winning both Snooker and Billiards Leagues in Southampton.

Individually, all three players succeeded in winning individual titles nationally and locally.

The club has four top-class snooker tables and Terry Azor has taken it upon himself to ensure that they are always in immaculate condition.

Terry comes into the club on most days when he is not competing in order to clean them and ensure that local players have first-class facilities.

## News in brief



### Alex raises £750 for the Teddy Foundation with raffle held at Newton Aycliffe WMC

Enterprising local teenager Alex (pictured, above) organised a raffle for the Teddy Foundation at Newton Aycliffe Working Mens Club on Sunday, October 30.

Through his hard work on the day and beforehand sourcing the prizes, Alex raised £584 which was then rounded up to £700 by the club.

Then a member donated a further £50 to make a grand total of £750.

The Teddy Foundation supports families who have experienced the heartbreaking loss of a baby.

Meanwhile, the previous day – October 29 – the club staged its annual Craft Fayre with a host of stalls from local businesses and artisans.

Included among the wares on offer were sweets, chocolates, bath bombs, fragrances, cakes, hair accessories and jewellery.

## Families enjoy spooky event at Harrowgate Club



The Harrowgate Club in Darlington hosts monthly family events, including two Halloween parties which took place on October 30

The Harrowgate Club in Darlington hosted two children’s Halloween parties on October 30 which saw over 500 people attending with the kids enjoying a fantastic disco.

Prizes were awarded for the best pumpkin carving, best family fancy dress and best children’s fancy dress.

The events were organised by Club Steward Iain Young with the friendly monsters and spooky decorations which festooned the club created by his wife Katie.

Meanwhile, in November, the club staged a Family Foam Party and in December there will be two Christmas Family parties (which have already sold out) and two performances of pantomime *The Adventures of Robin Hood*.

On New Year’s Eve, the club will host tribute act *Bon Jovi Forever* who will be playing all the New Jersey rock band’s biggest hits.

The headliners will be supported by rock covers band *The Kill*.

Other big live entertainment events in November and December include *The Boyz*, a singing trio who perform hits from the likes of *One Direction*, *Boyzone* and *Robbie Williams*, plus drag act *Tess Tickle* and the *Dragettes*.



Over 500 people attended the two Halloween parties held at the club which were organised by Iain and Katie Young



Kids enjoyed a special disco while there were fancy dress prizes across various categories

## Long Service Award for Coombe SC's David Adams



A ceremony was recently held at Coombe Social Club to mark the achievement of David Adams in completing 25 years of service. Pictured, left to right: Wayne Monks (Club Vice-President), David Adams (LSA recipient), Jill Adams (wife of David), Bill Sharpe (Warwickshire Branch Secretary) and Toni Harvey (Acting Club Secretary)

## Jean Cooksley presented with the MJB Shield

South East Midlands Branch presented the MJB Shield to Mrs Jean Cooksley of Wilby WMC.

The MJB Shield is an award which is a legacy from the late Mick Bott, the much-missed former President of the SE Midlands Branch.

It is presented to a Club Member or Official within the South East Midlands Division for outstanding service to his or her club and for going above and beyond the call of duty.



Pictured, left to right: Trevor Parker and MJB Shield recipient Mrs Jean Cooksley

## Leam Lane SC stages Remembrance Service



Leam Lane Social Club staged a Remembrance Service on Thursday, November 3 beside the poppy display outside the club with members of the public invited to pay their respect to the fallen

## News in brief

### Senhouse Street WMC memorial events raise over £1,700 for the Hospice at Home charity

A day of events at Senhouse Street Working Mens Club in Workington, Cumbria in memory of a singer raised more than £1,700 for the charity Hospice at Home.

The 'Black and Bling Night' was held at the club on Friday, October 21 in memory of local performer Keith Ray.

Organised by Janice Bond, Doreen Bulman and Janette Fearon, the evening raised over £1,000 for the charity.

The event was preceded by an afternoon tea which raised £700.

Janice Bond said: "It was a great night had by everyone that attended and we raised lots of money for Hospice at Home which is amazing.

"We also had a fantastic afternoon tea which also raised vital funds for the charity.

"Keith Ray started this event off with us 11 years ago and the three people who gave their time up to organise it did it for him."

## CLUB NOTICES

### Club name changes

**From:** Crofton and District Working Men's Club

**To:** Crofton & District Working Men's Club Ltd

**From:** Foulridge Social Club

**To:** Foulridge Social Club Ltd

**From:** Hawkhurst RBL Club

**To:** The Hawkhurst Club Ltd

**From:** North Heath Social Club

**To:** North Heath Social Club Ltd

**From:** Settle Social Club

**To:** Settle Social Club Ltd

**From:** Southborough Men's Club and Institute

**To:** Southborough Men's Club and Institute Ltd

## News in brief



### Hamsterley Social Club's 'Tractor Boys' bare (nearly) all for new risque charity calendar

A group of tractor enthusiasts from Hamsterley Social Club in County Durham will be stripping off and posing alongside their classic farm equipment for a charity calendar.

The Tractor Boys Calendar will have a series of risque but tasteful shots of the men, who range in age from mid-forties to late seventies.

Money raised from the sale of the calendar will be donated to dementia and prostate cancer charities.

The calendars can be bought directly from the club.

### Draw made for last 16 of the UEFA Champions League as Liverpool face Real Madrid

Liverpool will play holders Real Madrid in the last 16 of the Champions League in a repeat of last season's final.

Fourteen-time winners Real Madrid beat Liverpool 1-0 in last year's final in Paris.

Premier League champions Manchester City face German side RB Leipzig, while Tottenham play Italian giants AC Milan.

Chelsea also have German opposition in Borussia Dortmund.

The last-16 first legs will take place on February 14-15 and February 21-22, with the second legs on March 7-8 and 1 March 4-15.

The games will all be shown live on BT Sport.

### Key UEFA Champions League Last-16, 1st Leg Fixtures

**Tuesday, February 14, 8pm, BT Sport**  
AC Milan v Tottenham

**Wednesday, February 15, 8pm, BT Sport**  
Dortmund v Chelsea

**Tuesday, February 21, 8pm, BT Sport**  
Liverpool v Real Madrid

**Wednesday, February 22, 8pm, BT Sport**  
RP Leipzig v Manchester City

## Richmond Place Club set for darts tournament

The Richmond Place Club in Hereford is staging its latest charity darts event on Sunday, December 18.

The Charity Open Darts Singles Competition will have a first prize of £500 while the runner-up will receive £200.

There are further cash prizes for the losing semi-finalists, the highest 'out' and the lady player who progresses the furthest in the competition.

Entry costs £8 and registration is at 2pm with play beginning an hour later at 3pm.

The event will benefit Opengate SC, the charity which supports people with learning difficulties, and which has a strong community presence in Hereford and links with the Richmond Place Club.

For more information, contact the club on 01432 356529 or 07557 301958.

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## Sheerness East WMC stages charity darts event



Pat Scurfield and Harry Lane receive their winners' trophy from organiser Ross Elderfield (centre)

An Annual Charity Darts tournament took place on Saturday, October 1 at Sheerness East Working Men's Club in Kent in order to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital.

Over 25 pairs took part in the darts competition while there were a number of spectators watching the action on the five boards.

The event was organised by member Ross Elderfield. He started to raise money for Great Ormond Street nine years ago due to his 14-year-old daughter Ella needing a bone marrow transplant at the hospital with her elder brother Jack being the donor.

Ella had a rare blood disorder called Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia. She needed blood transfusions and platelet transfusions on two occasions to save her life.

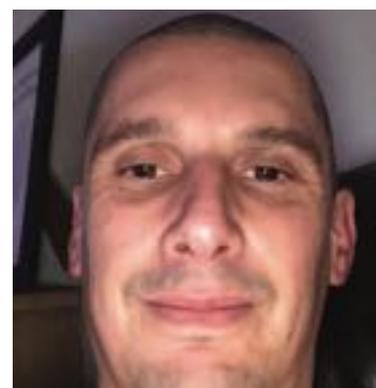
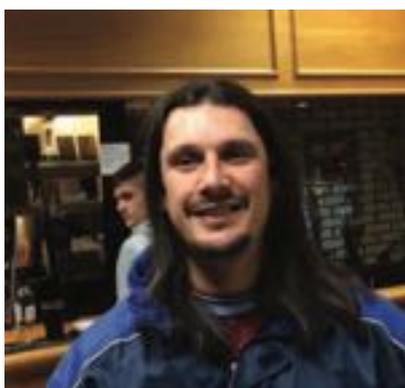
Ever since, Ross and his friends (including Club Manager Paula Smith who has undertaken a parachute jump, wing walk, and gyrocopter flight) have raised over £20,000.

The darts event raised over £1,000 with some high-quality games being played.

Pat Scurfield and Harry Lane were deserved winners in a hard-fought final against last year's winners Fred Burton and Ricky O'Brien.

Harry Lane also took the Barry Bodiam trophy for highest checkout with a score of 160 just beating a 156 checkout.

Ross has also taken part in two London marathons – one being an equivalent distance run around the Isle of Sheppey as the real one could not take place because of the COVID epidemic – as well as undergoing a sponsored head shave.



Charity fundraiser Ross Elderfield before, during and after his sponsored headshave in aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital

## News in brief



### Birmingham's Longbridge Social Club launches regular 'Salsa King' dancing nights

Longbridge Social Club in Birmingham has launched a spectacular new dance night - Salsa King - which will see the club's air-conditioned Concert Room become a major destination for fans of latin dancing.

The launch event took place on Friday, November 25 while a special Christmas part will take place on Friday, December 9.

The evening will see salsa classes for all abilities between 8pm-9pm Salsa Classes and then from 9pm to midnight there will be a 'Salsa Social' with a DJ playing Salsa and Bachata music.

For more information, email: [info@salsaking.co.uk](mailto:info@salsaking.co.uk)

### Save The Children's charity Christmas Jumper Day set for Thursday, December 8

Save the Children is once again urging clubs to get behind Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday, December 8.

The simple idea behind this annual event is for members to wear a Christmas jumper and then make a £2 donation to the charity.

For further information, downloadable posters and fundraising ideas, visit: [www.savethechildren.org.uk/](http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/)



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## Long Service Award

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Michael Read – Hirst Industrial Club

## Certificate of Merit

**Northumberland Branch**

George Dale – High Howdon Social Club

Joseph Maw – High Howdon Social Club

### Service Award Application Reminder

Please remember to allow sufficient time when applying for your Service Award Certificates as all applications are approved initially by your local Branch Office then approved at the monthly NEC meeting. All certificates take around six to eight weeks to be approved, engraved and signed.

## Easington Colliery Club granted permission for extended hours

The Easington Colliery Club in County Durham is celebrating after winning permission to open, serve alcohol and for the “provision of plays” between 8am and midnight, until 1am on New Year’s Eve, and to create an outside drinking area.

Club Secretary Stephen Foster CMD ACM, who also serves on the CIU’s NEC, told Durham County Council’s Licensing Sub-Committee: “We’re just trying to get some more footfall in the club. We’ve been there a long time and basically we’re the only place in town now that can hold any events. We’ve had the Bishop of Durham at functions there. We’ve had council events many times.

“We’ve been a big part of our members’ lives for 100 years at important times in their lives – christenings, funerals and weddings – and we’d really hate to see the club go.

“We’re fighting a hard battle to try and keep our doors open. Just that little bit of extra business makes a lot of difference.

“We do have applications for funerals and christenings. They’re getting earlier and earlier. We haven’t got a licence so we have to turn people away.

“Also we have quite a few bus trips that leave from the premises so instead of having them stand outside waiting for the bus they could come in and hopefully we’ll sell them some beer and add to our income.

“The club has quite a good record regarding discipline. We have a zero tolerance policy. We’re absolutely ruthless with anybody found with drugs on the premises.

“We do care about our neighbours. We try our best. We think our club is the safest place in County Durham to drink.

“I’ve been a member over 50 years and I think it’s a wonderful place, and not having the club in the community would be very detrimental to Easington Colliery.”

## A solemn day at Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club



Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club was extremely busy on Sunday, November 13

Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club in Kent was a key focal point for the town's Remembrance Day events on Sunday, November 13.

As well as club members, including a number of services veterans, a delegation of politicians were in attendance at the club on the day including local MP Sir Roger Gale, the Sheriff of Canterbury Louise Harvey-Quirke and councillors Ian Stockley, Janette Stockley and Rachel Carnac.

A parade left the club and headed to the Memorial Park for the formal Remembrance ceremony.

Afterwards, the club laid on an afternoon of entertainment with live music supplied by band Goldtrax and a bingo session.

## News in brief



### Sir Bobby Robson Foundation benefits from event at Wesholme Farm Social Club

Westholme Farm Social Club in Newcastle staged a charity evening with popular entertainer Geordie Ormston on October 8.

The event raised a magnificent £1,500 for the Bobby Robson Foundation, the charity set up in commemoration of the former England manager which funds cancer research and treatment.

The club's entertainment programme continues to go from strength to strength with a number of sell-out events taking place, including the Christmas pantomime on Sunday, December 11.

The club's New Year's Eve Disco is also expected to be a sell-out as is the New Year's Day party on January 1 featuring live music from the Sleeze Sisters.

On January 28 the club will be welcoming drag artists Amandah Hart plus vocalist Shelley Stevens.



Louise Harvey-Quirke, the Sheriff of Canterbury



Sir Roger Gale MP (centre) with two members of Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club



Former and current services personnel mingled at the club on Remembrance Sunday

## CIU club members enjoy a day in the sun at Wetherby Racecourse



Pictured: Wetherby Racecourse Sales & Marketing Manager Michelle Campbell presents a cheque for £1,672 to Union General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM (left) and Union Vice-President Ken Roberts CMD ACM (right) at the Dransfields CIU National Charity Raceday held on November 12

The 2022 Dransfields CIU Charity Raceday, held at Wetherby Racecourse on Saturday, November 12, was attended by club members from all over the country as the venue basked in some unseasonably sunny weather.

Union members had their own base in the dedicated CIU Marquee next to the Winners' Enclosure where they enjoyed 'Pie 'n' Peas' and refreshments.

With the racecourse and its caterers, CGC Events, donating £1 to the CIU Education Programme for every Union member attending, a total of £1,672 was raised.

Union General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM and Vice-President Ken Roberts CMD ACM accepted a cheque in the Winners Enclosure on behalf of the CIU from Michelle

Campbell, Sales & Marketing Manager of Wetherby Racecourse.

Also at Wetherby were NEC members Geoff Blakeley CMD ACM, Stephen Foster CMD ACM, Jack Haughey CMD ACM, Chris O'Neill CMD ACM and Bob Russell CMD.

Other guests included: Managing Director Chris Haley and Operations Director Trevor Roberts of event sponsor and CIU Preferred Supplier Dransfields.

Belle Ridene (Commercial Insurance Team Leader and Relationship Manager) and Kari Clarke (Central Region Commercial Manager) of Preferred Supplier Higos Insurance were also in attendance.

The winner of the Dransfields CIU Novices' Hurdle was 4-1 shot Moon Hunter.



The winner of the Dransfields CIU Charity Raceday Stakes was Moon Hunter

Union General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM said: "Many thanks to all the CIU club members who came along to the event and helped create such a great atmosphere.

"We also thank Dransfields for their continued support of this annual raceday at Wetherby."

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# The Award in Club Management (ACM)

The Award in Club Management (ACM) day sessions will be taking place in 2023 and will give club officials the basic knowledge required to run their clubs. *Club Journal* gives an overview of the three-stage ACM qualification which covers such key areas such as Club Law, Finance and Administration

Since the earliest days of the CIU, education has been an important part of what the Union can offer to its member clubs.

The Award in Club Management (ACM) course is specifically designed for CIU clubs and aims to give club officials a thorough grounding in the key aspects of running a modern and efficient club.

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 from within the CIU who lead the day sessions and can draw from their knowledge of the club scene to illustrate the key points and explore real-life scenarios and problems.

Head Office will be rearranging new dates for the ACM day courses at various clubs across the country for 2023, so look out for further information in upcoming issues of *Club Journal*.



Candidates are given a workbook for each unit which they can take back to their clubs with them to act as a reference

# COULD THE FOLLOWING CLUBS URGENTLY CONTACT US TO TAKE FORWARD THEIR BUSINESS RATES REFUND CLAIM

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Abertridw R.a.o.b. Social Club	Castle Ward Wmc & Inst. Ltd.	Forest Hall Club & Inst	Lemington Labour Club	Pencoed Social Club Ltd	Strood & Frindsbury W.m.c.
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Andover Central Club	Cliffe Mens Social Club	Grimethorpe W.m.club	Maidenhead Ivy Leaf Club	Ponders End W.m.social Club	The Tenterden Club And Institute
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Badshot Lea Working Men's Club	Comrades Club	Harehills Wm Club	Mill Hill W.m.club	Rainham (Kent) Social Club	Toddington Soc & Serv. Club
Ball Green W.m.club	Coombe Social W.m.club	Harrow R.b.l. Club	Minster Working Mens Club	Rainham Social Club	Tonyrefail Working Men's Club & Institute Ltd
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Barnsley East Dene W.m.club	Cotteridge Social Club	Haydon Wick W.m.club	Municipal And General Workers Club	Remembrance Club	Unioncorn Social Club
Barnstaple Social Club Ltd.	Cove Ivy Leaf Club	Hayes W.m.c.	Nantyllyon Rfc Ltd	Rhoose And District Social Club	Union Jack Club
Barry West End Club	Cramlington Wm Social Club & Institute Ltd.	Haywards Heath Social Club (Formerly Usc)	Netley Central S.& S.club	Rhydyfelin Non Political Club	United Serv & S.c (Hunstanton)
Bartley Green Social Club	Cricklewood Trades Hall Club	Heavitree Social Centre	Nettlebed Village Club	Rossington Labour & Soc Club	Usworth & Washington Gard Club
Beckenham Social Club	Crookes Social Club Ltd	Hednesford Ex-Service Mens Clb	New Delaval & Newsham W.m.c.	Royston W.m.club	Vange & Pitsea W.m.social Club
Beaford Russell Park W.m.club	Cwm Riverside Social Club	Hen Lane Social Club	New Eltham Social Club & Institute Ltd	Rubery Social Club	Walderslade W.m.c.
Beechdale Social Club	Cwmbran Working Mens Band Club	Hereford Welsh Social Club	New Haw Club	Rugeley Progressive Club	Walker Social Club (Scrogg Road Social Club)
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# Union clubs setting the gold standard



The 2022 Club Awards took place in Leicester on November 16 and provided a night of fine food, wine and top-class entertainment as members' clubs from all across the country – including many CIU clubs – were honoured for all the hard work they carry out for their members and local communities



All the winners from Club Mirror's 2022 Club Awards take to the stage at the Athena, Leicester for a final photograph

The 2022 Club Awards, held on November 16 in Leicester, showcased the best clubs in the land so it was no surprise that the CIU played a major role in proceedings with the excellence of several Union clubs recognised across a number of categories.

Before the evening Awards ceremony, the first stop of the day was the Concert Room of the CIU-affiliated Nottingham Oddfellows Club in Leicester where an afternoon of activities took place, all orchestrated by CIU Preferred Supplier Dransfields and their Spotlight entertainment system.

There was a quiz, including a music round, a raffle and live performances from local singer Sarah Simms and West End star Rebecca Gilliland.

Pukka Pies were also in attendance, providing a full range of hot pies and pastries for delegates.

Former BBC Sport broadcaster John Inverdale – the host for the evening Awards – acted as quizmaster and also took part in a Q&A session alongside

former Sports Minister and CIU Parliamentary Consultant Gerry Sutcliffe.

The afternoon was a great curtain-raiser to the main event of the day with the organisers paying tribute to the highly efficient staff and officials of the Oddfellows Club.

The new venue for the Club Awards was the art deco former cinema, the Athena, which provided a glamorous backdrop for the event.

The arriving guests were ushered into the drinks reception where representatives of clubs and organisations were able to mingle over a glass of wine or two.

Once seated at their tables, the guests were treated to the first piece of live entertainment of the evening with a spectacular opening number from the musical *The Greatest Showman* performed by a team of West End singers.

But the main part of the evening was, of course, the Awards and competition was fierce throughout,

not least in the prestigious CIU Club of the Year category, presented by President George Smith, Vice-President Ken Roberts CMD ACM and General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM.

This year saw three clubs jointly taking the accolade – Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club in Kent, Lindley Liberal Club in Yorkshire and the Hereford Richmond Place Club – a fantastic trio of clubs who can all be very proud of all they have achieved in the past year.

The Hereford Richmond Place Club is a community hub for all ages and interests with live entertainment a major part of the club's appeal with bands and solo singers covering a wide array of musical styles, as well as traditional games such as darts and skittles played regularly.

"We were delighted to go up on stage to receive our award from the CIU Officers," said Club Secretary Les Walker.

"It's a great event as you get to talk to people from clubs of all types and



West End star Rebecca Gilliland performed a song from *Wicked*

The pre-Awards afternoon event was held at the Nottingham Oddfellows Club in Leicester



Left to right: Dransfields Director of Operations Trevor Roberts and Managing Director Chris Haley with the Spotlight Entertainment System



Left to right: Former Minister of Sport Gerry Sutcliffe and BBC broadcaster and event host John Inverdale



Left to right: Groby Ex-Servicemen's Social Club Vice-President Tim Russell, Club member Mick Bedder and Secretary/NEC Member Nathan Clarke



David King, Managing Director of Pure Purchasing, serves pies to guests at the Oddfellows Club



Left to right: NEC Member Stephen Foster CMD ACM, Union Vice-President Ken Roberts CMD ACM, Union President George Smith, NEC Member Bill Stoker, Mrs Ann Stoker and Union General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM

sizes and hopefully learn and get tips from each other about what works.

“It was an excellent event all round, from the afternoon in the Oddfellows Club to the evening awards ceremony with some great live entertainment and dancing to round off the night.”

The victory was particularly sweet for Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club given that the club came within a whisker of shutting down two years ago.

“We had a brilliant night and were very proud to go up and get our award,” says Diane Morley, Assistant Secretary of Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club.

“When we got back home, we kept our win a secret for a couple of days and then made a big announcement on Saturday night when the club was busy.

“It’s even more special as the club came close to shutting its doors forever during the pandemic and was only saved when concerned members came along to a special meeting and

voted to replace the old Committee with one that worked its socks off to ensure the club has flourished again.

“It was great to see so many CIU clubs involved in the awards and we’re busy arranging to do a couple of reciprocal visits to clubs from other areas which we met at the event.

“We were also very happy to go up on stage and mark the club’s centenary by picking up our ‘100 Club’ certificate.”

Meanwhile, Lindley Liberal Club near Huddersfield, was another worthy winner in the category with the club, established in 1887, a vitally important part of its local community with an array of activities taking place throughout the week including live entertainment, quiz nights, bingo, bowling and snooker.

The club is also a major fundraiser for a variety of charities thanks to the tireless work of its Committee, not least Secretary Dawn Fawcett and Entertainment Secretary Marc Sleigh.

With the main CIU awards

presented to the winning clubs, the General Secretary took to the microphone to make a rousing speech extolling the importance of members clubs and urging them to ignore the doomsayers and continue to work hard to ensure that their venues continue to flourish.

The address was met with a resounding round of applause from the audience.

Among the other CIU winners on the night were Lynda Callaghan and Paul Collier of Bellingham Ex-Servicemens’s and Social Club in South East London who jointly won the Bar Steward of the Year category.

The club recently undertook a major refurbishment and is reaping the rewards with an increase in bar trade and new members, orchestrated by Paul and Lynda. The club is a hub for the local community with live entertainment taking place every weekend, and throughout the year the club also hosts major events for the Armed Services.



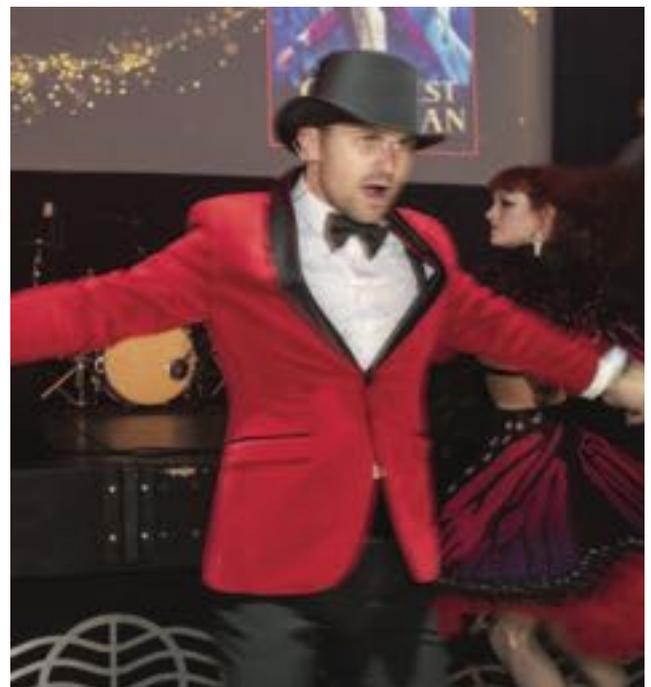
Left to right: Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club Assistant Secretary Diane Morley, Awards host John Inverdale and Herne Bay Ex-Servicemens Club Secretary Debbie Peck



Paul Collier and Lynda Callaghan of Bellingham Ex-Servicemen's and Social Club won the award for Steward/Bar Manager of the Year



Officials from Lindley Liberal Club pick up their winners certificates from the Union Vice-President Ken Roberts CMD ACM (far right)



Guests were treated to some top live entertainment with music from *The Greatest Showman*



New Eltham Social Club won the Committee of the Year category



Lesley and Alison Walker of Hereford Richmond Place Club pick up their certificate for CIU Club of the Year

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Stansted Mountfitchet Social Club was named joint Entertainment Club of the Year having recorded record profits from their relaunched live entertainment offering which has helped to fund the refurbishment of the club

The Committee of the Year award was won by New Eltham Social Club.

Celebrating its 130th year in 2022, the club's Committee continues to keep the club moving forward, not least in terms of the facilities, which have been thoroughly upgraded in recent years with the result that the club continues to attract new members.

The club puts on live entertainment every Friday, Saturday and Sunday (plus Bank Holidays) including bands, solo singers and tribute acts.

Stansted Mountfitchet Social Club

in Essex was crowned joint Entertainment Club of the Year, having reported record sales on entertainment evenings.

Indeed, the extra revenue has helped the club to undergo major refurbishments, including a remodelled Snooker Hall which was opened by green baize legend Jimmy White.

Club Chairman Alan Snook said: "We are a club that has gone from almost having to shut a few years ago due to poor management, to the 'in place' to go in our village."

NEC Member Nathan Clarke took to the stage to present certificates to the winners of the Young Ambassadors category which marks the achievements of young people at their clubs.

"It was a real privilege to present this category as it demonstrates just what a major contribution young people can make to their clubs and communities," said Nathan, who is the Club Secretary of Groby Ex-Servicemen's Social Club in Leicester and became a member of the NEC in 2021 at the age of 22, representing Leicestershire and Derbyshire.

"Attracting younger people to members' clubs and getting them to serve on Committees is vitally important for the future and is something to which we in the Union's NEC are very committed."

All in all, it was another stellar night for CIU clubs who continue to lead the way in demonstrating the importance of members' clubs to the local communities through the hard work of their Committees, members and staff.



The Club Awards finished with a live band and plenty of people hitting the dancefloor

# HQ

## News in brief

### Updated CIU Contracts and Club Secretary's Handbook now available from branches

Updated versions of the CIU contracts are now available to buy from your Branch.

- 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 for 2022

The dates for the monthly NEC meetings at Head Office throughout 2023 will be published in the next issue of *Club Journal*.

### Annual Meeting 2023 dates

The dates for the 2023 Conference Weekend in Blackpool are as follows:

Thursday, April 13 – NEC Meeting (Blackpool)

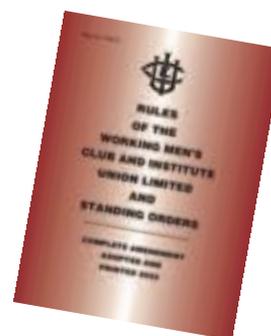
Friday, April 14 – 31st CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition (Blackpool)

Saturday, April 15 – AGM (Blackpool)

## Updated and reprinted CIU Rules and Standing Orders booklet now available

The Rules of the Working Men's Club and Institute Union Limited and Standing Orders has been updated and reprinted for 2022.

As well as being available to download on the Union's website, the printed booklets are available from your local branch.



## Chancellor resists calls to cut 20% VAT rate in his Autumn Statement to Parliament

Chancellor of the Exchequer Jeremy Hunt announced in his Autumn Statement on November 17 that the 20% VAT rate will be maintained until March 2026 despite calls from clubs and the wider hospitality sector for a reduction.

The 20% rate was reintroduced in April 2022 after a limited period of businesses paying 12.5% during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mr Hunt also announced that the National Living Wage will increase by 10% from April 2023, from £9.50 to £10.42 an hour for people aged 23 and over.

For people aged 18-20, it will rise from £6.83 to £7.49 an hour.

For those aged 21-22, the rate will go from £9.18 an hour to £10.18 an



hour, while the Apprentice rate which is currently £4.81 an hour will rise to £5.28 an hour.

There was no decisive statement made on the question of alcohol duty.

In October, Mr Hunt overturned the freeze announced by his predecessor Kwasi Kwarteng and did not address the issue in his Autumn Statement, leaving the way clear to a possible increase on duty rates in 2023.

# Countdown begins to Conference Weekend 2023

As 2023 hoves into view, preparations are already being made for the Union’s Annual Meeting which takes place on Saturday, April 15 and the Beer & Trades Show on Friday, April 14

It may seem a long way off but preparations are already well underway for next year’s Conference Weekend in Blackpool.

The centrepiece of the weekend’s activities will be the Annual Meeting which will take place in the Royal Suite of the Grand Hotel on the morning of Saturday, April 15.

Union President George Smith will chair the meeting which will see delegates consider the Annual Report and Financial Statement, as well as vote on a number of Motions put forward by the NEC.

The biggest social club trade show in the UK – the CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition - takes place on Friday, April 14.

Staged at the Norcalympia Suite at Blackpool’s Norbreck Castle Hotel, the event – the 31st edition of the show – brings a huge cross-section of club suppliers showcasing their products and services, as well as experts from a number of key areas who will be on hand to give advice to clubs on how to increase revenue and reduce their running costs.

As well as gaining sound business advice, there will be plenty of fun to be had.

To this end, there will be activities laid on by the exhibitors, including Preferred Supplier Dransfields who will be demonstrating their latest gaming and entertainment machines as well as running bingo sessions and a host of prize games, including speed pool.

Conference Weekend is the major event in the CIU calendar so make sure you make a note in your diary to attend and have your say on the future direction of the Union.



General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM at the 2022 Annual Meeting



Delegates from clubs across the country will be able to vote on a range of motions proposed by the NEC



Delegates enjoy a game of bingo at last year’s trade show



Union President George Smith is interviewed at the 2022 Beer & Trades Exhibition



ACE Furniture’s Graeme Miller (left) and Union Vice-President Ken Roberts CMD ACM

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Left to right: Belle Ridene, Higos Commercial Team Leader & Relationship Manager, Higos Commercial Insurance Broker George Tucker and NEC Member Stephen Foster CMD ACM at the CIU's Branch Secretaries Event which was held at Head Office in October

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The Higos team at the CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition in Blackpool in April 2022. The company will also be attending the 2023 Trade Show

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**– Kenneth D Green ACM CMD, CIU General Secretary**

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Whether you're on holiday, enjoying a trip to the races, attending a football match or organising a club coach trip, knowing where the local Union club is situated is always extremely handy and ensures that you won't have to take your chances in an anonymous pub.

That is why *Club Journal* is reintroducing our popular Club Outings section which gives CIU clubs the chance to let our readers know they have a friendly oasis to visit when on their travels in a different part of the country.

Club Outings took an enforced break during the COVID-19 pandemic when clubs were forced to shut their doors for long periods and travel was not an option for most people.

Now it is set to return so please fill in the form on the opposite page if you would like to advertise your club's facilities to the *Club Journal* readership and ensure that they



don't have to miss out on the club experience just because they're not able to attend their 'home' club.

As well as the printed version in the magazine, we'll also be launching an online version of Club Outings on the Union's official website to ensure that listed clubs can include the latest live entertainment and events taking place at their club.

## How to ensure your club is featured in Club Outings

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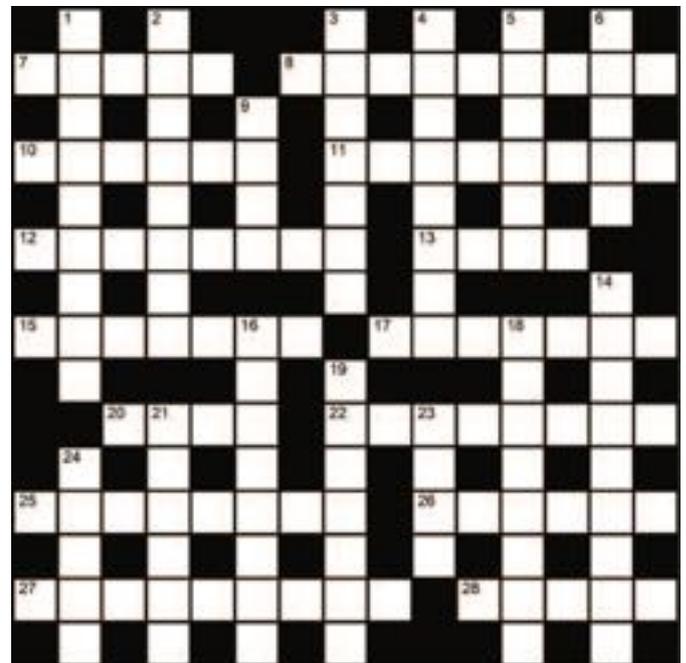
**ACROSS**

- 7 Where the eagle has landed? Sounds a bit weird! (5)
- 8 Dim feline that walked all over a dangerous area (9)
- 10 Monday? Could be an electricity supplier! (6)
- 11 Common haunt (8)
- 12 Throaty agriculturists not in crisis, perhaps? (8)
- 13 Mushy peas at the end of church? (4)
- 15 Tipsy chicken? It's a bit beyond science! (7)
- 17 Childhood disease that somersaulted out of Tudor ways (7)
- 20 First four disciples slipped one maybe? (4)
- 22 Kind of gain is in badge (8)

- 25 Met basal reform with censure (8)
- 26 Set about PhD, to discover profundities (6)
- 27 Backup fighter swimming in rivers set to burst their banks (9)
- 28 Take over unlawfully while in pursuit? It's not all bad! (5)

**DOWN**

- 1 Emu gets by, somehow, with, "Help yourself" (2,2,5)
- 2 Massive soldier, acting about (8)
- 3 Snag that could fit in a dark cloud (7)
- 4 Supply green tea in some shape or form (8)
- 5 Confusions with the food-processor? (3-3)
- 6 No ale? Too bad, you're on your own (5)
- 9 Rode out like an active one (4)
- 14 Hyper ripe product is at the outer edge (9)
- 16 It is not in vicinities, alas, where it is sharp (8)
- 18 Sings top version of waymarker (8)
- 19 Permit to sell alcohol in eerie silence (7)
- 21 Contained in a loaf? Said to be innate! (6)
- 23 Fusses about a tonic (4)
- 24 Gable repair for breakfast? (5)



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Thursday, December 15, 7pm – Sky Sports Arena

### **Darts World Championship**

The action gets underway at Alexandra Palace as the world's top players battle it out for the sport's biggest prize. Last year saw Peter Wright winning the title for the second time in his career after defeating Michael Smith 7–5 in the final and he is among the bookies' favourites to emerge victorious once again this time around.



Sunday, December 19, 7pm – BBC1/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: Final**

England fans will be daring to dream that their team can reach football's showpiece event at the Lusail Stadium in Qatar. England made it to the semi-final in 2018 before being knocked out by Croatia who went on to face France in the final. It was Les Bleus who were to lift the trophy after a hard-fought 4–2 victory.



Wednesday, December 28, 8pm – Amazon Prime Video

### **Premier League: Leeds United v Manchester City**

A bumper Christmas package of top Premier League fixtures on Amazon Prime Video comes to a close with Manchester City heading to Elland Road for this post-Christmas tie. This is a massive challenge for Leeds who have been rooted in the bottom half of the table during the season and they will be firm underdogs.

# SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS

The 2022 FIFA World Cup draws to a close in Qatar with the final taking place on December 18, plus there is domestic football action from the Premier League and the World Darts Championship gets underway

Friday, December 9, 6pm

BBC/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: Quarter-Final 1**

Friday, December 9, 10pm

BBC/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: Quarter-Final 2**

Saturday, December 10, 12 midday

Sky Sports Football

### **Championship Football: Blackburn Rovers v Preston North End**

Saturday, December 10, 6pm

BBC/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: Quarter-Final 3**

Saturday, December 10, 10pm

BBC/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: Quarter-Final 4**

Sunday, December 11, 1pm

Sky Sports Football

### **Championship Football: Queens Park Rangers v Burnley**

Monday, December 12, 8pm

Sky Sports Football

### **Championship Football: Sunderland v West Bromwich Albion**

Tuesday, December 13, 7pm

BBC/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: Semi-Final 1**

Wednesday, December 14, 7pm

BBC/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: Semi-Final 2**

Thursday, December 15, 7pm

Sky Sports Arena

### **World Darts Championship**

Friday, December 16, 12.30pm

Sky Sports Arena

### **World Darts Championship**

Friday, December 16, 8pm

Sky Sports Football

### **Championship Football: Birmingham City v Reading**

Saturday, December 17, 11am

Sky Sports Arena

### **World Darts Championship**

Saturday, December 17, 5.30pm

Sky Sports Football

### **Championship Football: Norwich City v Blackburn Rovers**

Saturday, December 17, 7pm

BBC/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: 3rd Place Play-Off**

Sunday, December 18, 11am

Sky Sports Arena

### **World Darts Championship**

Sunday, December 18, 12 midday

Sky Sports Football

### **Championship Football: Luton Town v Millwall**

Sunday, December 18, 7pm

BBC/ITV

### **World Cup 2022: Final**

Monday, December 19, 12.30pm

Sky Sports Arena

### **World Darts Championship**

Monday, December 19, 8pm

Sky Sports Football

### **Championship Football: Wigan Athletic v Sheffield United**

Tuesday, December 20, 7pm

Sky Sports Arena

### **World Darts Championship**

Wednesday, December 21, 12.30pm

Sky Sports Arena

### **World Darts Championship**

Horse Racing: Kempton Park  
– Monday, December 26,  
12.30pm, ITV



Thursday, December 22, 12.30pm  
Sky Sports Arena  
**World Darts Championship**

Friday, December 22, 12.30pm  
Sky Sports Arena  
**World Darts Championship**

Saturday, December 23, 11am  
Sky Sports Arena  
**World Darts Championship**

Monday, December 26, 12.30pm  
ITV  
**Horse Racing: King George VI  
Chase Day, Kempton Park**

Monday, December 26, 12.30pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Brentford v  
Tottenham Hotspur**

Monday, December 26, 12.30pm  
Sky Sports Football  
**Championship Football:  
Sunderland v Blackburn Rovers**

Monday, December 26, 3pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Crystal Palace v  
Fulham**

Monday, December 26, 3pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Everton v Wolves**

Monday, December 26, 3pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Leicester City v  
Newcastle United**

Monday, December 26, 3pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Southampton v  
Brighton & Hove Albion**

Monday, December 26, 5.15pm  
Sky Sports Football  
**Championship Football: Cardiff  
City v Queens Park Rangers**

Monday, December 26, 5.30pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Aston Villa v  
Liverpool**

Monday, December 26, 8pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Arsenal v West  
Ham United**

Monday, December 26, 7.45pm  
Sky Sports Football  
**Championship Football: Luton  
Town v Norwich City**

Tuesday, December 27, 5.15pm  
Sky Sports Football  
**Championship Football:  
Reading v Swansea City**

Tuesday, December 27, 8pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Manchester  
United v Nottingham Forest**

Tuesday, December 27, 8pm  
Sky Sports Football  
**Championship Football:  
Burnley v Birmingham City**

Wednesday, December 28, 8pm  
Amazon Prime Video  
**Premier League: Leeds United v  
Manchester City**

Sunday, January 1, 12 midday  
Sky Sports Football  
**Championship Football:  
Blackburn Rovers v Cardiff City**

Monday, January 2, 12 midday  
Sky Sports Football  
**Scottish Premiership: Rangers v  
Celtic**

Tuesday, January 3, 8pm  
Sky Sports Arena  
**World Darts Championship**



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