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Sky Sports restricts price increase to 5% for clubs



Sky has announced that it will be increasing its subscription costs to clubs from August 1 but has guaranteed that no club will see an increase of more than 5%.

The company has committed to helping clubs by using the lowest Rateable Value (RV) from either 2010 or 2017.

It means that the price of many clubs' subscriptions will drop while those which are facing an increase will be restricted to 5% or less.

"We know licensed premises are facing cost uncertainties and we want to help them manage that as well as ensure their return on investment," said David Rey, Managing Director of Sky Business.

"The Government's changes in RVs from 2010 to 2017 were no small part of this and we want to put customers first so that they can depend on their investment in Sky.

"As we invest more and sports rights costs to Sky rise too, we must also review our pricing like all businesses do. But we absorb what we can. This year, no club's bill will rise by more than 5%, and many bills will go down as we commit to using the lower of the two RVs when calculating bill for the next 12 months."

Sky Sports will be showing 126 live Premier League games during the 2017/18 season as well as 127 live games from the Football League, in addition to live rugby,

Formula 1, golf and cricket, including the upcoming four-Test series between England and South Africa.

The new Premier League season kicks off on the weekend of August 12/13 and will see reigning champions Chelsea beginning their title defence with a home tie against Burnley.

Runners-up Tottenham, meanwhile, start their campaign with an away trip to St James' Park to take on newly promoted Newcastle United.

The Premier League season is set to finish on May 13, 2018 - a week earlier than last season - with the World Cup finals in Russia starting on June 14, 2018.

The Football League season gets underway on Friday, August 4, as Sunderland host Derby County at the Stadium of Light, live on Sky.

In total, Sky will be showing three fixtures from the Championship on the opening weekend with Aston Villa v Hull City and Bolton Wanderers v Leeds United also being broadcast.

Rey added: "Clubs can look forward to kicking off the new football season with some fantastic matches to entertain their members. Over the course of the 2017/18 season our customers can look forward to showing 126 exclusively live Premier League matches, 127 Sky Bet EFL games, SPFL Premiership action and much more."

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Club of the Month: Bradwell WMC

Bradwell & District Working Men's Club in Staffordshire is our 'Club of the Month' for July.

Among the club's recent achievements was the completion of a £40,000 refurbishment of its upstairs Function Room to add to the club's already impressive facilities.

The club has also started a new football team which has generated huge interest in the local community and helped the club to boost its membership, as well as making more young people aware of the club and what it has to offer.

Bradwell WMC continues to offer a full array of activities and live entertainment for its members. For the full article, see page 10.

EDITOR'S LETTER

Welcome to the July edition of *Club Journal*.

As you'll see from the supplement which accompanies this issue, the Dransfields CIU Greyhound Racenight is taking place on Tuesday, September 19 at Sheffield's Owlerton Stadium.

This is a fun annual event so put it in your diary as we'd love to see as many clubs as possible coming along.

This month's 'Club of the Month' is Bradwell & District Working Men's Club in Staffordshire.

As you'll see from the profile on page 10, this is a club which is really trying very hard to attract members of all ages by offering a full programme of events and activities which have a wide appeal as well as investing significantly in upgrading their facilities.

In the past 12 months they've started up a football team which has really given the club a boost in terms of community involvement and membership interest.

Elsewhere in the issue, we hear from Burnley & Pendle Branch Secretary Michael

Woodvine about his life in clubs. You can read the interview on page 14.

It's obvious from looking through the pages of *Club Journal* each month that our clubs have so much to be proud of with good work being done in the community each and every day by CIU members.

Nowhere is this more apparent than in the sphere of charity with Union clubs raising huge amounts of money for all sorts of good causes.

Whether it's a simple collection box on the bar or a major fundraising event with hundreds of people in attendance, charity remains central to the fundamental ethos of all Union clubs.

Please let us know about any charity initiatives your club may be involved in and we'll publicise them in upcoming issues of the *Journal*.

We are also always delighted to feature major individual milestones within our pages and there are two such celebrations in the current issue which are worth a particular mention.



Firstly, on page 5, you'll see that South East Metropolitan Branch President Trevor Baker was presented with his Certificate and Gold Bar to mark 41 years of service on the Branch Committee.

Then, on page 6, we feature Heolgerrig & District Social & Culture Club Secretary Harry Dorricott who was recently honoured for his 50 years of service to the club.

Congratulations to these two great servants of clubland and indeed to all those who feature in our 'Awards' section this month.

Stephen Goulding, Editor

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Mary Potts of Annitsford Pioneer SC receives her LSA



Mary Potts of the Annitsford Pioneer Social Club received her Long Service Award on April 12. Pictured, left to right: Dave Richardson (Northumberland Branch Secretary), Mary Potts (Club Secretary, Annitsford Pioneer Social Club) and Ken James (No.6 Division Executive)

Club belly dancing event raises cash for defibrillator



Bridley Moor & Batchley Social Club now has a defibrillator thanks to a belly dancing event

A belly dancing event has enabled Bridley Moor & Batchley Social Club in the West Midlands to install a defibrillator.

The event – known as a 'hafla' - raised £1,112 for the Charlotte and Craig Saving Hearts Foundation which provides the life-saving equipment for communities across the UK.

Emma Wheate-Price, a dancer, teacher and performer, organised the event alongside friends, Maggie and Rob Underwood – who set up the charity in 2010 – to help the local cause.

Emma said: "I suggested I would like to raise money to put a defibrillator in Bridley Moor & Batchley Social Club, as this is where we hold the hafla.

"I teach a weekly dance class here and there are many other groups who also use this hall so I felt it was an important piece of equipment to have on the premises because it really can save lives."

Maggie told the 160 guests how the loss of their own children had made her and her husband want to save the lives of others.

OBITUARIES

James Dean

It is with much sadness that New Studio Working Men's Club, Bromley, Kent, announces the passing of Mr James Dean at the age of 96.

Jimmy was a valued member of the club for over 50 years and served on the Committee in various roles for over 40 years.

The Committee would like to thank Jim for his service to the club.

Our thoughts go out to his family.



Archie Sugden

It is with regret that Belvedere Social Club, Kent, announces the passing of former Trustee Mr Arthur William Hemlett Sugden ('Archie') on May 28 at the age of 100.

Archie served on the Committee for 62 years, having joined the club in 1941 and remained a member until his death.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Sheerness East WMC holds its fourth annual charity football tournament

Sheerness East Working Men's Club in Kent staged a charity fundraising event at the end of May.

The Jim Gray Memorial Day featured football and darts tournaments, followed by live music and an evening disco.

Now in its fourth year, the event is in memory of Jim, a former Sheerness East football coach who died in 2014 from cancer, aged 52.

The proceeds were donated to AMMF, a charity raising awareness of cholangiocarcinoma, a rare and aggressive form of bile duct cancer.

Three previous Sheerness East fundraisers have collected nearly £20,000 for the fund.

Organiser John Munday said: "Jim was my best friend and this day is a way of keeping his memory alive and making lots of money for a charity doing so much good work."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Winning numbers for the 2017 CIU Grand Draw

The CIU Grand Draw took place on June 7 at Head Office.

The winning ticket numbers are as follows:

- 1st prize - 23163**
- 2nd prize - 21154**
- 3rd prize - 28150**
- 4th prize - 27400**

All clubs have been notified.

Winner of last month's competition announced

The winner of last month's competition is John Pugh of Cardiff West End Social Club.

He wins a DVD set of the complete series of BBC series *The Nanny*.

Scissett WMC duo complete skydive for charity



Mollie Fountain and Matthew Lawton completed a skydive for the Sick Children's Trust in June

Two members of Scissett Working Men's Club in Huddersfield have completed a three-mile high skydive to raise money for The Sick Children's Trust.

Matthew Lawton, 42, whose five-year-old son passed away 14 years ago, and Mollie Fountain, 73, whose granddaughter was rushed to hospital with a tumour on her

brain, completed the giant leap after both their families were helped by the charity in their times of need.

The charity provides 'home from home' accommodation for the families of seriously ill children as well as emotional and practical support. For more information, visit: www.sickchildrenstrust.org

CLUB NOTICES

Clubs admitted into membership of the Union
Edlington Ex-Services Social Club (Doncaster Branch)

Clubs admitted into membership of the Union (probationary membership)
Standish Labour Club (Doncaster Branch)

Clubs applying for membership of the Union
Oadby Royal British Legion (Manchester Branch)

Club closed
Cardiff Ex-Servicemen's Club (South Wales Branch)

Club withdrawn
Urmston Men's Club (Manchester Branch)

Expulsions
Dean Byrne, Hammersmith Club, London (South East Met Branch)
David Pollard, Central Club (Bradford Road), Batley, West Yorkshire (Heavy Woollen Branch)
Mrs Joyce Watts, Guidepost Working Men's Social Club, (Northumberland Branch)
Mrs Wendy Wilkinson, Blackheath Newbridge Social Club, London (Kent Branch)

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South East Met Branch President Trevor is honoured



Pictured, left to right: Former CIU General Secretary Kevin Smyth and South East Metropolitan Branch President Trevor Baker

South East Metropolitan Branch President Trevor Baker was presented with his Certificate and Gold Bar on the occasion of his 41 years of service on the Branch Committee.

Trevor attended the event with his wife Barbara and there were a number of VIPs who came along to celebrate the milestone, including former CIU General Secretary

Kevin Smyth – who made the formal presentation to Trevor – and former South East Metropolitan Branch Secretary Bernard Guess.

Also in attendance at the event were several members of the South East Metropolitan Branch Committee, including Vice-President Andy Way and the Branch Secretary.



Pictured, left to right: Dave Deluce, Dave Legge, Sue Graham (Branch Secretary), Andy Way (Branch Vice-President), Mrs Barbara Baker, Trevor Baker (Branch President), Bernard Guess, Peter Clark, Kevin Smyth, Chris O'Neill and Robin Docherty



FOR SERVICE

10-Year Branch Executive Award

John Heggs, Leicestershire

Robert Elton, Leicestershire

50-Year Club Service Award

Thomas Wilsdon, Chapeltown Working Men's Club, South Yorkshire

John Bellamy, Barnby Dun Social, Doncaster

Raymond Scholes, Barnby Dun Social Club, Doncaster

Distinguished Service Award

John Yeardley, Chapeltown Working Men's Club, South Yorkshire

Thomas Forester, Intake Social Club, Doncaster

Long Service

Robert Goodman, Wyken Working Men's Club, Warwickshire

Ronnie Neary, West Moor & District Social Club, Northumberland

Sidney Thackray, Seghill Comrades Club, Northumberland

Thomas Priestley, Sunnyside Social Club, Durham

Certificate of Merit

Nigel Rowlands, Mountain Ash Hibernian Band Club, South Wales

Leslie Hedley, Seghill Comrades Club, Northumberland

Anthony Smith, Usworth & Washington Gardeners Club, Durham

Shaun Whitaker, Intake Social Club, Doncaster

Allen Jarrold, Intake Social Club, Doncaster

Jon Powell, Dunstable United Services Club, North West Metropolitan

Dartford WMC stages Oakham Ales tap takeover



Pictured, left to right: Nigel Wattam (Marketing Manager, Oakham Ales), Nick Byram (Manager, Dartford WMC), Ed Sharman (Assistant Brewer, Oakham Ales) and Jonathan Shaw (Area Sales Manager, Oakham Ales)

Members of Dartford Working Men's Club in Kent enjoyed a 'Tap Takeover' by brewer Oakham Ales on June 7.

Available on the night were 12 cask ales, four ciders and three craft beers, all produced by Peterborough-based Oakham Ales.

There were over 100 members in attendance at the event, who, as well as sampling the drinks on offer, also took part in a 'Question and Answer' session with

three representatives of Oakham.

Nick Byram, Manager of Dartford WMC, said: "It was a very enjoyable and informative evening and the feedback from those who attended has been great."

Dartford WMC has built up a national reputation for its cask ale offering over the past decade and was one of the finalists in the 'Club of the Year' Award run by the Campaign For Real Ale (CAMRA) and *Club Mirror* earlier this year.

Harry Dorricott marks 50 years of service to club

There were celebrations at Heolgerrig & District Social & Culture Club (Heolgerrig Social Club), Merthyr Tydfil, South Wales, last month as Mr Henry (Harry) Dorricott was honoured for his 50 years of service to the club.

Harry, the Club Secretary, was presented with his Distinguished Service Award and medal at a ceremony at the club conducted by South Wales Branch Secretary Henry Shanahan CMD.

During the celebration, Harry was also presented with a watch by his club in recognition of his faithful service over the last half century.

Heolgerrig Social Club is certainly thriving under Harry's leadership with a full programme of entertainment and activities taking place throughout the week, including live music, darts and live rugby and football on the big screen.



Pictured, left to right: Henry Shanahan CMD (South Wales Branch Secretary) and Harry Dorricott of Heolgerrig & District Social & Culture Club

NEWS IN BRIEF

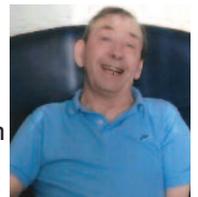
Poynton WMC hosts fascinating talk by Falklands War hero Martin Withers
On May 2, Poynton Workmen's Club in Stockport hosted a lecture by Falklands War veteran Martin Withers DFC.

The former RAF pilot told the tale of his part in the daring bombing raid in 1982 which saw he and his crew fly 8,000 miles across the Atlantic, refuel in mid-air and then, under heavy enemy fire, drop bombs on a strategically important runway which had been occupied by Argentine forces.

This raid meant that the Argentinians could not launch any airstrikes of their own from the Falkland Islands and saw Martin Withers awarded with the Distinguished Flying Cross.

OBITUARIES

Andrew Donaldson



It is with great sadness that Trimdon Colliery & Deaf Hill Working Men's Club announces the death of Mr Andrew Donaldson (affectionately known as 'Andra' by everyone), at the age of 72.

He died in May after fighting Huntingdon's Disease for many years.

He joined the Club Committee in 1982 and served as Chairman from April 1991 until his retirement in October 2008, a total of 26 years.

Andra will be sadly missed and even up until the end, he retained his dry, mischievous sense of humour.

Shane Meadows



Trimdon Colliery & Deaf Hill Working Men's Club regrets to announce the death of Mr Shane Meadows at the age of 49.

Shane served on the Club Committee from October 1997 until his sudden death in May, a period of nearly 20 years.

He will be sadly missed by all his friends at the club.



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THIRSK	Friday 28 July	£10	Go Racing in Yorkshire Summer Festival
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HAYDOCK PARK	Saturday 12 August	£12.50	Betfred Rose of Lancaster Stakes Ladies Day
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 West Midlands Branch

BRADWELL WORKING MEN'S CLUB

Bradwell & District Working Men's Club in Staffordshire has forged ever stronger links with its local community with the result that it has enjoyed a big surge in membership numbers in recent months

With a turnover approaching £500,000 and club membership at 1,100 and growing, Bradwell Working Men's Club in Staffordshire is working really hard to maintain its considerable momentum and build on its strong community roots.

"We want to ensure that there's plenty going on at the club all through the week," says Club Secretary Ben Simpson, who at 26, must be one of the youngest secretaries in the CIU.

"It's not about trying to get young people in through the doors at the expense of existing members, it's about offering as much variety as possible that will encourage all sorts of different people to join."

A key part of Bradwell's masterplan is making sure that the club premises themselves are modern and accommodating and a recent upstairs refurbishment has created a brand-new Function Room (to add to the existing Bar, Lounge, downstairs Function Room and Games Room) that is already in demand for private parties.

"It cost around £40,000 to carry out the refurbishment but we're looking at that as a

long-term investment as we're aiming to have private parties and functions in there every weekend going forward," says Ben. "It was a wasted space before but now that the work has been completed it's given the club another revenue stream. You also get more new people coming into the club for parties who then want to join."

"In the past three months, we've had an additional 100 members join the club so it just shows that there's a real forward momentum here," says Ben.

"We've recently started a football team and that has brought around 20 new people into the club as they come in after the game on a Sunday and then on a Wednesday night after training.

"They're all now full members of the club so they'll also pop in on other nights throughout the week to socialise or have a game of pool so it has been of real benefit to the club overall.

"We've also done some fundraising nights for the team and that proved really popular, with the players' friends and family."

It's not just football though that is helping to make the club more engaged with the

local community as there are plenty of other activities taking place to draw in other people.

"We run Zumba classes once a week and that has really taken off," says Ben. "It brings in a different crowd, people who have probably never set foot in the club before but then realise what a welcoming place it is and become members themselves. We also have a weekly accordion club, short mat bowls, dominoes and cribbage so the more that's going on, the better."

Live entertainment is another mainstay of the club on Saturday and Sunday nights, while the club will also be hosting its inaugural beer festival next year.

Ben himself illustrates the family ethos of the club, having been a frequent visitor since he was a child. "My Nan is the current Treasurer of the club and my Grandad is a past President so you could say it's in my blood," he says.

"I think I bring a different perspective to the Committee as clubs need to bring in new blood. If we can encourage younger people to experience what the club has to offer then that can only be great news for the future."

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Elmfield Social Club In Hebburn Testimonial

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Graham Tinemouth - Elmfield Social Club - 0191 420 6220

Tinsill and Cookridge Club In Leeds Testimonial

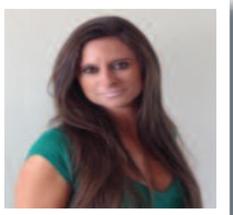
Barry states, "With the fantastic advice given to us from Smart Energy we will now continue to make saving's each Month without it having to cost our Club anything which is a huge help to us. Our cellar cooler now only has to operate for 6 month's per year as the cold air from outside does the rest for our club now which has **saved us £3,712** over 18 month's."

Barry Edwards Tinsill and Cookridge Club - Office 0113 2673335 (Morning's Only)

Sunniside Social Club In Newcastle Upon Tyne Testimonial

Ian states ' We are now **saving £290 per month** since the installation of Smart Energy's Free Air Cellar System and we have been very pleased all round. It makes sense to cool your cellar using the free air from outside to save on the running cost of your cooler as every Club has one and the majority of them are over 5 years old and on 24/7. I was that impressed I am starting to refer many local Club's nearby to look at the system in my own Club so they can see just what a no-brainer the system really is. A quick payback on investment costing our Club very little to do and we are already over **£5,000 better off in 18 MONTH'S'**

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Revised and updated Contracts and Handbook are now available

The CIU Contracts and Handbook have been updated and reprinted for 2017.

They are available to buy from your local Branch. The documents available are:

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

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

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

National Executive Committee Dates for 2017

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

- July – 5th/6th
- August – 2nd/3rd
- September – 6th/7th
- October – 4th/5th
- November – 1st/2nd
- December – 6th/7th

Service Award Reminder

Remember to allow sufficient time when applying for Service Award certificates as they will take around six to eight weeks to be approved at Branch and NEC level, engraved and then signed.

SPOTLIGHT ON... MICHAEL WOODVINE CMD

We talk to Burnley & Pendle Branch Secretary Michael Woodvine CMD to get an insight into his life in clubs which began at the age of 18 at Nelson Carters' & Motormen's WMC

How did you first become involved with clubs and the CIU?

I have been a member of a CIU Club continually since I was 18, all of them in the Burnley & Pendle Branch. I first became involved with the CIU when I was Club Secretary at the "Fast and Slow" in Nelson and was approached by CIU Branch Executives, including the then Branch Secretary, Ronnie Caple, to see if I was prepared to take on the role of Burnley & Pendle Branch Secretary in 2011. Glad I did. I've loved every minute of it!

How are clubs faring in your Branch?

"Getting by" would probably be the best answer. Some are taking advantage of their "geographical" locations in an around the town centres, others are conveniently located to attract other functions, (births, deaths and marriages). And the rest are fighting their way through some difficult economic times especially since the demographic has changed considerably since the clubs' formations.

What three things would you ask the Prime Minister for on behalf of clubs?

1. That the Government took the time to understand the "Social Club" structure, be it CIU, Political or Sports, and the benefits we provide to the communities they serve and support, instead of "lumping" us together with pubs and night clubs and treating us all as one when it comes to legislation.

2. Due to the Community-orientated nature of Social WM clubs I would like to see the Government, National and Local, make loans and grants available to clubs to enable them to maintain and improve their premises and amenities, in the hope of attracting more members with the addition of new facilities.

3. I would like to see a substantial reduction in the rate of VAT applied to clubs. I am sure the impact on club finances of a large quarterly bill for VAT is an ever present worry. I know it is to the club I presently serve as Secretary!

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

Cheap supermarket "booze" is leading to a "stay at home" culture and putting a completely anti-social slant on areas of the community that used to rely on our clubs for socializing and entertainment.



Also, the younger generation seem to be "club shy"! However, a majority of clubs are now facilitating the youth of today by having free Wi-Fi access in their clubs and adjusting their drinks menu to accommodate "modern" trends.

What aspirations do you have for clubs over the next 12 months?

Better communication with, and support for, the Branch Office. Give us a chance to help before it's too late. We have the skills, knowledge, experience and backup to support them if they only contact us in a timely fashion!

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

Watch! We are tougher than we look. We have a good support structure and a National Executive that are constantly petitioning the Government and suppliers on our behalf and negotiating beneficial deals. We will constantly change to survive and hopefully prosper.

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

Club officials are beginning to realise that they have to live in the 21st Century and they are coming to grips with the technology and the systems that they need to understand and use in a current business environment. The CIU have a strong ethos in education and are continually working to support their clubs by offering up to date and pertinent educational courses and qualifications. Clubs need to grasp these opportunities.

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

Mr Geoff Blakeley CMD – Geoff is a Club Secretary, the Manchester Branch Secretary

Timeline for the Election of National Executive 2017

Tuesday, September 5

Head Office to issue Letter and Nomination Form

Thursday, October 5

Deadline for forms to be received at Head Office

Tuesday, November 7

Head Office to issue Ballot Papers to all clubs

Tuesday, December 5

Deadline for Ballot Papers to be received at Head Office

Friday, December 8

Ballot Count at Head Office

Friday, December 8

Notification to Candidates and NEC

Friday, December 8

Official Release to Branch Secretaries, *Club Journal* and Head Office

and the NEC Member for Burnley & Pendle, Manchester and Cumbria. I met him when I became Burnley & Pendle Branch Secretary and he has been a good friend and inspiration to me ever since.

He keeps me informed and up to date with what is going on nationally, is always there when I need advice and encouragement and is an all-round “Good Guy”.

He has done lots of good work in the area of education, helping to form the new Modular Club Management qualifications and has toured the country with his informative presentations and talks on the auto-enrolment pension schemes.

Q: What clubs do you belong to?

A: My wife Mary and I have been members of Nelson Carters’ & Motormen’s WMC for over 28 years and I have been Secretary for eight years (2006–2012 and 2015 to the present day). We are also both members of Nelson Old Brass Band Club and Burnley Miners WMSC. Historically we have been members of, Burnley Lane Central WMC, Burnley Works Sports Club, New Hall Street WMC, Daneshouse Unionist Club and Brierfield Liberal Club.

Q: Who has been the biggest influence in your club life?

A: By far the biggest influence in my club life, (as in my life), is my wife Mary and my family. Mary has stood with me, and been a good, sound, commonsense advisor throughout my career as Club and Branch Secretary. We visit clubs together and mutually enjoy the many social advantages “Club Life” can offer. And it rubbed off. My daughter Joanne works for our club and my granddaughter works behind the bar. (Three generations all helping the club survive and prosper!)

Last chance for entry to the ‘Traditional Club of the Year’

There’s still time for your club to enter the ‘CIU Traditional Club of the Year’ category at the 2017 Club Mirror Awards (deadline: July 21, 2017).

The annual Awards are now in their 26th year and recognise the commitment of clubs, committees and individuals who ensure a healthy future for their clubs.

There are several categories in the Awards covering the full spectrum of clubland, including the CIU-sponsored ‘Traditional Club of the Year’ category.

Last year’s worthy joint winners of the Award were Pitts Hill Victory Club in Stoke-on-Trent and Old Hendon Ex-Servicemen’s Club in London,

The Awards Judging Panel recognised that these two Union clubs are positively thriving thanks to their forward-looking committees, active memberships and excellent ties with their local communities.

“Winning the Award was a great testament to all the members who have helped to turn things around at the club,” said Pitts Hill Victory Club Committee



Member Dan Capewell.

“Attending the Awards and going up on stage to receive the trophy was a fantastic experience.”

If you would like to follow in the illustrious footsteps of the 2016 winners and believe that your club deserves national recognition as a beacon of best practice in the sector, then get your entry in as soon as possible.

The Awards will take place in November at Doncaster Racecourse with all shortlisted clubs receiving two free tickets to the gala event.

If you would like your club put forward for the 2017 Club Mirror Awards, please contact justin@clubjournal.co.uk

Date set for Dransfields CIU Greyhound Racenight

Owlerton Stadium in Sheffield will be hosting the annual Dransfields CIU Greyhound Racenight on Tuesday, September 19.

This annual event is a great opportunity to witness some top-class dog racing on one of the country’s best tracks while enjoying a good night out with club colleagues and some of the Union’s key suppliers.

On the night there will be a total of 14

races with the first one going off at 6.38pm and the last at 10.30pm.

We’ll be publishing further details of the night and how to get tickets in future issues of *Club Journal*.

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MEMBERS' CORNER

Informative articles which affect our life
by Dione Mobley

I was recently asked if I would locate some holiday information about a town in South Wales called Brecon. This turned out to be an interesting search as I discovered the region known as the Brecon Beacons.

The Brecon Beacons National Park is the ideal destination for the outdoors experience with masses of paths and trails for ramblers, mountaineers, cyclists and excellent coarse fishing and much more for anyone who is looking for an adventure holiday experience in the mountain regions.

Pen-y-fan, at 886 metres above sea level, is the highest peak in the National Park, offering wonderful views and mountain paths for walkers to explore and enjoy.

The second highest mountain is Corn Du and when it was excavated in 1991, archaeologists discovered a burial chamber

dating back centuries to the Bronze Age. A bronze brooch and a spearhead were found inside and can be seen in the Brecknock Museum which is housed in an early Victorian courthouse.

It is considered to be one of the best museums in Wales along with the Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh where they have an amazing display of over 3,000 medals, including 18 Victoria Crosses. The Brecon Beacons is still used to train military personal and reservists.

Along with those looking to enjoy outdoor activities during the summer months the town also welcomes many jazz musicians from all over the world in early August for the Brecon Jazz Festival.

A canal was built between 1797 and 1812 to link Brecon with Newport. During the 1990s the canal in Brecon was redeveloped. On the waterfront at the end of the Monmouthshire and the Brecon Canal is the home for the first ever solar-powered theatre - Theatr Brycheiniog - which saves money by using the electricity it generates and receives a guaranteed payment through the feed-in tariff scheme.

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ACROSS

- Scandinavian root veg? (5)
- Battery element is "Spilt acid, Mum!" (7)
- Russian writer seen in rug event. (8)
- Cyan - keeping in N American. (6)
- Dash of lean cuisine. (4)
- Fruit shied away from Derbyshire dish. (5)
- Fear is knowing when to be in penit. (4)
- Laurence, being kind of blue... (8)
- It's rude to me, to be overmodest! (6)
- Two-cat director? (3-3)
- Dissolute, loose men are single, dejected. (8)
- Powder - something of a vital commodity. (4)
- Demote the section with choral piece. (5)

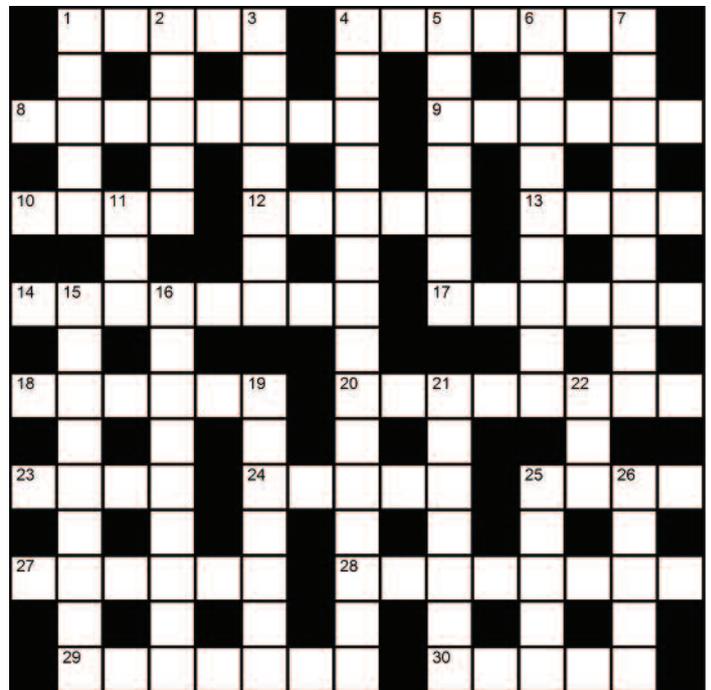
- No more than a lion lying inside. (4)
- Comic Ron ends up with one in a million! (6)
- Grannies can make an income! (8)
- Mosaic designed in hospital in leather. (7)
- The rest of the lyin' so-and-so's, allegedly! (3-2)

- Realm most likely to generate a storm. (9)
- Melody heard in the stairwell. (3)
- "Come again...?" - extraordinarily self-centred type. (9)
- Curtain-raiser Ern's not part of, can be an allergic reaction. (9)
- Met me on roundabout - as a reminder. (7)
- Tarantula at a loss to appear normal. (7)
- Have some of the Crown Jewels... (3)
- Oil a branch - for peace. (5)
- Start with your PC - under timber? (3,2)

DOWN

- Racing shell said to be heady. (5)
- Incite with one horse racing about. (3,2)
- Condensable disc removed and re-formatted to make fine. (7)
- Client-server got caught out by accompanying documents. (8,7)
- Tearless when looked after towel. (3-4)
- Amusing or whatever? He's so uneducated! (9)

Send your entry to Crossword, Club Journal, 59/60 Thames St, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 1TX
Deadline July 25.



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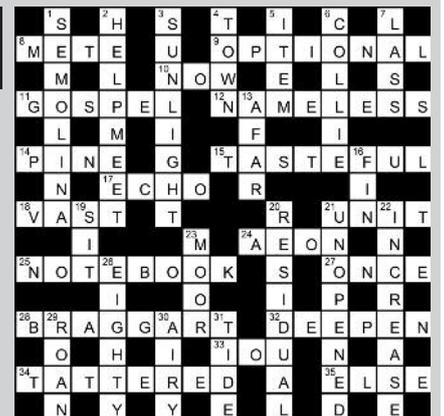
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Thursday July 6, 11am – Sky Sports HD

Cricket - England v South Africa, 1st Test

Following the conclusion of the ICC Champions Trophy, England embark on a four-Test series against South Africa, beginning at the home of cricket, Lord's. South Africa are currently second in the official ICC Test rankings, two places above England, and will pose a major threat against the home side.

Sunday July 16, 2pm – BBC1

Tennis - Wimbledon: Men's Final

The prestigious annual tournament reaches its climax with the Men's Final on Centre Court. Last year saw Andy Murray win his third major and second Wimbledon title after beating Milos Raonic of Canada 6-4, 7-6, 7-6. Murray's form in recent months has been excellent and he should once again be in the running for a third title.

SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS

Club Journal looks ahead to some of the key sporting fixtures taking place in July, including the start of the Test series between England and South Africa and the climax of the Wimbledon Championships

Thursday July 6

11am

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - 1st Test: England v South Africa, Day 1

Friday July 7

11am

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - 1st Test: England v South Africa, Day 2

Friday July 7

7pm

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - NatWest T20 Blast: Essex Eagles v Surrey

Saturday July 8

8.30am

Sky Sports 1 HD

Rugby Union: New Zealand v British & Irish Lions, 3rd Test

Saturday July 8

11am

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - 1st Test: England v South Africa, Day 3

The Open Championship, Thursday,
July 20, 7am, Sky Sports HD



Saturday July 8

7pm

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - NatWest T20 Blast: Birmingham Bears v Notts Outlaws

Saturday July 8

7.30pm

BT Sport

Boxing: Richard Baranyi v Anthony Yarde

Sunday July 9

1pm

Sky Sports F1 HD

F1: Austrian Grand Prix

Sunday July 9

11am

Sky Sports HD

Cricket - 1st Test: England v South Africa, Day 4

Monday July 10

11am

Sky Sports HD

Cricket - 1st Test: England v South Africa, Day 5

Tuesday July 11

6.30pm

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - NatWest T20 Blast: Northants Steelbacks v Yorkshire Vikings



Sunday July 16, 1pm – Sky Sports F1 HD

F1: British Grand Prix

The iconic Silverstone circuit hosts the British leg of the Formula 1 season. Lewis Hamilton began the 2016 race in pole position and converted that advantage to claim his third straight victory in the event. Hamilton will certainly be aiming to extend his winning sequence in front of his adoring home fans.

Tuesday July 11

6.30pm

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - NatWest T20 Blast:

Northants Steelbacks v

Yorkshire Vikings

Wednesday July 12

6.30pm

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - NatWest T20 Blast:

Sussex Sharks v Hampshire

Thursday July 13

2pm

BBC1

Wimbledon: Women's

Semi-Finals

Friday July 14

11am

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - 2nd Test: England v

South Africa, Day 1

Friday July 14

2pm

BBC1

Wimbledon: Men's Semi-

Finals

Saturday July 15

11am

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - 2nd Test: England v

South Africa, Day 2

Saturday July 15

2pm

BBC1

Wimbledon: Women's Final

Sunday July 16

11am

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - 2nd Test: England v

South Africa, Day 3

Sunday July 16

1pm

Sky Sports F1 HD

F1: British Grand Prix

Sunday July 16

2pm

BBC1

Wimbledon: Men's Final

Thursday July 20

7am

Sky Sports HD

Golf: The Open

Championship- Day 1

Friday July 21

7am

Sky Sports HD

Golf: The Open

Championship - Day 2

Thursday July 27

11am

Sky Sports 2 HD

Cricket - 3rd Test: England v

South Africa, Day 1

CIU Sport

ANGLING COMPETITION

The South Wales and Monmouthshire Angling competition was held on May 28.

The team winners were Barry West End 'D' with a weight of 1kg, 980g.

The team runner-ups were Barry West End 'A' with a weight of 560kg.

The individual winner was K Salih (Barry West End) with a weight of 1kg, 980g.

A total of 47 anglers turned up on the day with a total catch of 4kg, 900g.

Mr G Evans was the Union representative.

CIU TEAM SNOOKER

The CIU Team Snooker Final was held on Saturday, June 17 at the Wyken WM Club between Harehills Labour Club (Leeds Branch) and Twyn y Ffald WM Club (Monmouthshire Branch).

Harehills Labour Club (pictured) won 4-1.

The Union Representative was Ken Roberts CMD (pictured, far left).



CIU TEAM POOL

The CIU Team Pool Final was held on Saturday, June 17 at the Brierfield WM Club between Bannockburn Miners Club (Cumbria Branch) and Bargoed Labour Club (South Wales Branch).

Bargoed Labour Club (pictured, below) won 5-1.

The Union Representative was Michael Woodvine CMD.





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