

## The Club & Institute Union celebrates 160 years as Clubland's leading organisation

The CIU reaches a major milestone in its illustrious history as it celebrates its 160th anniversary on June 14.

That auspicious date in 1862 saw the formation of The Working Men's Club & Institute Union in a meeting held at the Law Amendment Society's office in Waterloo Place and chaired by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Brougham.

The inaugural joint secretaries of the new organisation were two clergymen – the Reverend J H Rylance and the Reverend Henry Solly – with the latter becoming the first General Secretary of the Union just a few months later.

Solly is undoubtedly the Union's key historical figure as the driving force behind the formation of the CIU as an apolitical and democratic institution.

George Smith, President of the Union, said: "It's a real privilege to be President of the CIU as we reach this impressive milestone.

"For 160 years, the Union has been a force for good across UK society with our clubs providing fellowship, entertainment and education for their members, providing meeting places for local community groups as well as raising millions for charities and good causes.

"We've faced some major challenges during our history, not least in the past couple of years with the COVID pandemic casting a long shadow over clublife, but our clubs remain a vital part of the fabric of modern life for many people.

"Of course, the Union and its clubs have undergone many changes since the early days of the club movement and no doubt we will continue to adapt.



"This anniversary is the perfect time to pay tribute to the hard work of officials all over the country who continue to put in many hours of their own time to help their clubs prosper and build on the achievements of our predecessors in the CIU."

The Union's General Secretary, Kenneth D Green CMD ACM, said:

"The CIU was founded by vicars and members of the aristocracy but since those early days has become one of the most successful and democratic working class organisations in the world.

"The Union has endured through good times and bad thanks to our collective strength as a democratic movement which can speak to those at the highest levels of government through our involvement with the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Non-Profit Making Members Clubs to represent the interests of our clubs and their members.

"And, just as in the days of my earliest predecessor as General Secretary, the Reverend Henry Solly, education remains at the core of the CIU's objectives with the Union's Award in Club Management (ACM) helping to give club men and women the key skills and knowledge to run their clubs successfully.

"We also provide a host of other services to help clubs prosper, including an arbitration service which enables clubs to fulfill their obligations required under their Rule Book at a minimal cost.

"Above all, as has been the case since 1862, the Union is here to give support, including financial and legal advice to clubs and their officials.

"I would urge any club needing help to seek out at the earliest opportunity the expert advice available at both branch level and from the NEC and to tap into the collective knowledge that has been built up over the past 160 years of the CIU."

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Welcome to the June issue of *Club Journal* as the Union reaches another illustrious milestone, marking 160 years since our organisation was founded at a meeting in Waterloo Place, London in 1862.

We look back on the very earliest days of the CIU in our article on pages 10-12, including the role of the Reverend Henry Solly, a member of the Unitarian Church, in its formation.

Solly, who was the first General Secretary of the Union, originally intended that CIU clubs would be part of the Temperance movement that was so prevalent at the time.

He was subsequently persuaded to allow clubs to serve beer, a move which helped the rapid growth of Union clubs during the 19th Century and beyond.

Ever since, beer and many other alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks have been served seven days a week in our clubs but it's clear that many of Solly's ideals which formed the basis of the CIU during the Victorian era – fellowship, education and charity, to name but three – still reign supreme in 2022.

As our President and General Secretary state in this month's front page article, CIU members everywhere should be proud to be part of an organisation which has exerted such a positive influence on society since its

# Welcome

foundation and continues to do so in the modern era.

Meanwhile, our 'Club of the Month' for June is Cronkeyshaw Social Club in Rochdale which celebrated its centenary last month with three days of special events.

The club underwent a major refurbishment during lockdown with the result that it was able to hit the ground running when it reopened to its members.

Live entertainment, snooker and bingo are just some of the activities which go to make the club such a bustling venue.

For the full article, see pages 14-17.

Elsewhere in the issue we have details of how your club can feature in this year's Festival of Clubs which takes place in November and will involve a number of leading CIU clubs and officials – see page 19.

Please do continue to send in your photos and stories to us as they are always gratefully received.

I hope you enjoy the issue.

**Stephen Goulding**

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## Milestone for Morpeth Comrades Social Club



Morpeth Comrades Social Club celebrated 100 years in the CIU on Wednesday, May 4. Pictured, left to right: Ralph Davidson (Treasurer), Colin More (Club Steward), Tom McNally (Club Committee Member), Bryan Purvis (Club Committee Member), Colin More (Club Committee Member), Dave Richardson (Northumberland Branch Secretary), Dennis Wheadon (Club Chairman), Tony Stephenson (Club Secretary), Alan Hardy (Northumberland Branch President) and John Bamford (Club Committee Member)

### CLUB NOTICES

#### Clubs admitted

Great Haywood Sports and Social Club  
(West Midlands Branch)

Padiham Working Men's Club (Manchester  
Branch)

#### Clubs withdrawn

Lysaght Village Hall and Club (Western  
Counties Branch)

York Railway Institute (York City Branch)

#### Clubs closed

Hatcham Social Club (South East  
Metropolitan Branch)

St Budeaux WM Sports & Social Club Ltd  
(Western Counties Branch)

## Chilton Community SSC stages charity night in aid of Ukraine Red Cross

Chilton Community Sports & Social Club in County Durham hosted a fundraising night on Thursday, April 21 in aid of those affected by the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

The evening of music and comedy was extremely well supported by club members who gave generously to raise a total of £1,205 which was donated to the Red Cross (Ukraine).

The club wishes to thank all the artistes – Jenna Highfield, Brenda Collins (local comedienne) and Adam Reader (Michael Jackson Tribute) – who gave their performances free of charge.

It has certainly been a busy time for the club in terms of raising money for good causes.

On Saturday, May 14, Jordan Wilson, a Committee Member at the club, completed the gruelling Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge in the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

The challenge takes on the peaks of Pen-y-Ghent, Wharfedale and Ingleborough, usually in this order, and must be completed by the participants in under 12 hours.

The route is 24 miles, and includes an ascent of 5,200 feet.

Jordan undertook this gruelling challenge in aid of Dementia UK.



Chilton Community Sports & Social Club recently staged a music and comedy fundraiser in aid of the Ukraine Red Cross

**OBITUARY**

**Len King**

North East Metropolitan Branch is sad to announce that Len King has passed away at the age of 94.



He served the Branch for more than 50 years, taking on several positions. In 1994, he was elected to Vice-President, a position he held until he retired in 2015.

His main passion was organising games across the Branch and when the reluctance of teams to travel to other clubs to play fixtures became an issue, he suggested that the indoor games should be played on one day, starting early and finishing with a winner and then the next time the games were played it would be held in the winners' club.

It proved to be a good move and was instrumental in revitalising games across the Branch.

Len was also a member of the Bardswell Social Club in Brentwood, again holding several positions on the Committee.

He will be sorely missed by his family and all who knew him.

**News in brief**

**Frimley Green WMC to host Charity Race Night in aid of Woking and Sam Beare Hospice**

Frimley Green Working Men's Club in Surrey is staging a Charity Race Night on Saturday, July 19.

The event will raise funds for Woking and Sam Beare Hospice and Wellbeing Care which is celebrating 25 years of providing care to the local community.

The charity delivers palliative and end-of-life care to people who have advanced life-limiting illnesses in North West Surrey.

There will be a number of great prizes to be won for the successful 'owners' and 'jockeys' in each race as well as cash prizes for winning bets.

The £15 ticket for the event includes an evening meal.

For more information, visit:

[www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk)

**Wallsend Labour Club salutes three stalwarts**



A presentation was held at Wallsend Labour Club on May 5 to honour three stalwart Committee Members – Ken Sayers, David McKenzie and Peter Taylor – who between them have given 90 years of service to the club. Pictured, left to right: Ann (Ken Sayers partner), Ken Sayers ( Club Committee Member and Long Service Award recipient), David McKenzie (Club Chairman and Long Service Award recipient), Ann McKenzie (David's wife), Mary Taylor (Peter's wife), Peter Taylor (Club Secretary and Distinguished Service Award recipient), Alan Hardy (Northumberland Branch President) and Dave Richardson (Northumberland Branch Secretary)

**New Eltham Social Club installs defibrillator**

New Eltham Social Club in London has installed a defibrillator near to the front entrance of the club.

The club purchased the piece of lifesaving equipment from the London Hearts charity, with the money predominantly raised by the members during charity quizzes.

The defibrillator cost around £1,500 in total, with almost £1,000 contributed by the social club members via their fantastic fundraising efforts.

The Committee is now hosting public training days on how to use the defibrillator.

Committee Member Sharon McCabe said: "When we arranged the teaching sessions it was wonderful to invite members of the community here to increase awareness and reduce the fear of using the defibrillator.

"I'm from a nursing background and the defibrillator tells you exactly what to do on it."



Committee Member Gordon Hill and President Paul Carrol with the club's new defibrillator

## Distinguished Service Award for John Hughes



Union President and Durham Branch Secretary George Smith visited Consett Working Men's Club in April to present the Distinguished Service Award to John Hughes who has given 50 years of service to the club. Pictured, left to right: Brian Uren (Divisional Officer), John Hughes (Recipient of Distinguished Service Award) and George Smith (Union President and Durham Branch Secretary)

## Higham Ferrers WMC provides local charity boost

Higham Ferrers Working Men's Club in Northamptonshire continues to forge ahead since reopening after the pandemic.

Club President Gus Crawford says: "Since COVID we have elected an almost entirely new Committee and the club is going from strength to strength.

"We have increased membership from 350 to 660 and we have hosted a regular monthly charity evening for one of our local charities which has been a great success.

"In addition, we have hosted two of our own charity evenings, one in aid of the British Heart Foundation, which raised £2,080, and one for the Cynthia Spencer Hospice which raised £1,080.

"We are making the community and charities close to our members hearts our focus and this is helping enormously in the revival of the club."

On the Bank Holiday Friday on June 3, the club staged a special Platinum Jubilee Celebration from 2pm which included a Kid's Disco from 5pm to 7pm, a live performance from local vocalist Cecil, a raffle, a barbecue and a Jubilee Disco for all from 7pm.



## News in brief



### Grangemoor Working Men's Club installs new defibrillator for use of the local community

Grangemoor Working Men's Club in Burntwood, Staffordshire has installed a new Community Defibrillator at the club.

Club Treasurer Darren Ennis said: "It's absolutely amazing what a community can achieve and massive thanks need to go to everyone who organised this and the people who supported it.

"Another asset to Burntwood, this equipment is there to save lives."

The club has long been a pioneer in this area, having first installed a defibrillator outside the club back in 2015 and has also run training courses at the club instructing people how to use this potentially life-saving equipment.



### Fladbury Social Club goes yellow and blue to raise money for the people of Ukraine

Fladbury Social Club in Pershore, Worcestershire held a special Charity Night event in aid of Ukraine in March.

The club was decked out in the Ukrainian national colours of blue and yellow for a week (see picture above) while the fundraising night featured a raffle featuring a range of donated prizes as well as the quiz itself.

Members were also encouraged to sport Ukrainian colours on the night.

The evening raised a grand total of £1,000 which was donated to the Disaster Emergencies Committee (DEC).

In addition to the funds raised, the club also donated five percent of its bar takings over four days to the DEC.

CLUB NOTICES

**Expulsion**

Derrick Jones - West Worthing Social Club (South East Metropolitan Branch) – Life Ban

**Club name change**

**From:** Leeds Jubilee Social Club  
**To:** Jubilee Social Club Ltd

News in brief



**Channel 4 wins rights to show live England football matches until 2024**

Channel 4 has secured the rights to show England matches for the next two years.

UEFA Nations League games, qualifiers for Euro 2024 and friendlies will shown by the channel, which has taken over as broadcast partner from ITV and Sky.

Kicking off the deal will be June's Nations League fixtures, with home and away encounters against Hungary and matches against Italy and Germany. European qualification begins next spring, with the draw for qualifying groups taking place in October. Channel 4 is scheduled to show 20 England matches in the period to 2024.

With the World Cup live on BBC and ITV in November and December, Channel 4's deal means that all of the men's national team fixtures will be live on free-to-air TV until 2024.

This adds to Channel 4's current sports portfolio which also includes Super League. The broadcaster struck a two-year deal to televise 10 games per season, with the round-one clash between Leeds Rhinos and Warrington Wolves back in February attracting the highest-ever live audience for a Super League game (755,000).

**England football fixtures in June on Channel 4**

- Saturday, June 4:** Hungary v England, 5pm
- Tuesday, June 7:** Germany v England, 7.45pm
- Saturday, June 11:** England v Italy, 7.45pm
- Tuesday, June 14:** England v Hungary, 7.45pm

**Kingston Workmen's Club stages beer festival**

Kingston Workmen's Club & Institute in Surrey staged the annual Campaign For Real Ale (CAMRA) Kingston-Upon-Thames Beer Festival in May.

There was a huge turnout for the three-day event, which took place May 19-21 as attendees had the opportunity to sample over 70 different cask ales served as well as 11 ciders and perries.

The festival took place inside and outside the club with two outdoor areas enabling drinkers to enjoy the excellent weather.

There was also hot and cold food available as well as live music.

It was the 21st edition of the festival and throughout the three days, there were a number of fundraising activities benefiting Prostate Cancer UK.

The event also showcased some memorabilia from the famous ABC Motorbike company which was based in Kingston, including some vintage bikes.



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### Sky Sports to show every game live during The Hundred cricket competition this summer

Sky Sports will show every game of The Hundred live this summer, starting with the opening match on Wednesday August 3 between defending men's champions Southern Brave and Welsh Fire at The Ageas Bowl.

The women's competition begins a week later on Thursday, August 11 following the conclusion of the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham where women's cricket is making its debut.

Reigning champions Oval Invincibles will face Northern Superchargers in the opening women's game in The Hundred, which will be the first men's and women's double-header of the 2022 competition.

Invincibles v Superchargers will take the evening slot at The Kia Oval, after their respective men's sides meet earlier in the afternoon in South London.

From then on, every matchday will see men's and women's fixtures on the same day, with every game available to watch live on Sky Sports.

The Hundred Finals Day will take place at Lord's on Saturday, September 3.

Sanjay Patel, Managing Director for The Hundred, said: "The Hundred helped grow the game last year. With more than 500,000 tickets sold and issued and 16 million watching on TV – with half of them being new to cricket – we saw a new audience enjoying the game for the first time.

"We can't wait to build on that this year, bringing world-class cricket and an incredible family day out to fans across England and Wales."

### The Hundred fixtures (all Sky Sports)

**Wednesday, August 3:** Southern Brave v Welsh Fire (7pm)

**Thursday, August 4:** Oval Invincibles v London Spirit (6.30pm)

**Friday, August 5:** Manchester Originals v Northern Superchargers (6.30pm)

**Saturday, August 6:** Trent Rockets v Birmingham Phoenix (2.30pm)

**Sunday, August 7:** Welsh Fire v Oval Invincibles (2pm)

**Monday, August 8:** London Spirit v Manchester Originals (6.30pm)

## West Green WMC honours Committee stalwarts



A number of key Committee Members at West Green WMC in Monk Bretton, Barnsley were presented with award certificates by the Union's General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM at a ceremony held in May. Pictured, back row, left to right: Tom Smith (Former Club Secretary and Certificate of Merit recipient), John White (Club Vice-President and Certificate of Merit recipient), Kenneth D Green CMD ACM (Union General Secretary), Roy Rushton (Club Secretary and Distinguished Service Award recipient); Front row, left to right: Jean Cook (Club Treasurer and Certificate of Merit recipient), Sandra Martin (Club President and Certificate of Merit recipient), Eileen Thornton (Club Committee Member and Certificate of Merit recipient), Steve Simms (Club Committee Member and Distinguished Service Award recipient). Greg Martin (Club Committee Member and Certificate of Merit recipient) was unable to attend the presentation.

This group of people is credited with saving the club from closure 12 years ago when it ran into difficulties.

## Keir Starmer visits Horbury WMC in Wakefield



Sir Keir Starmer, the Leader of the Opposition, visited Horbury Members Club in Wakefield ahead of the local elections last month to talk to constituents



# FOR SERVICE

## Distinguished Service Award – 40 Years

**Roger Burns** - Cheam Social Club (South East Metropolitan)

**Michael Cirino** - Coombe Social Club (Warwickshire)

## Long Service Award – 20 Years

**Ronald Wonders** - Wallsend Social Club (Northumberland Branch)

**David Adams** - Coombe Social Club (Warwickshire)

## Certificate of Merit – 10 Years

**Thomas Smith** - West Green WMC (South Yorkshire)

**Sandra Martin** - West Green WMC (South Yorkshire)

**Eileen Thornton** - West Green WMC (South Yorkshire)

**John White** - West Green WMC (South Yorkshire)

**Alan Matthews** - Hetton Victory Club (Durham)

**Ann Gosling** - Wallsend Labour Club (Northumberland)

**Dan Gosling** - Wallsend Labour Club (Northumberland)

**Denis McMillan** - Wallsend Labour Club (Northumberland)

**Melvin Rolls** - Newsham & District Club (Northumberland)

## Branch Award – 21 Years

**David Gravel CMD** (Doncaster Branch)

**Alan Baker** (Doncaster Branch)

## Service Awards Application

Please remember to allow sufficient time when applying for your Service Award Certificates.

Applications are approved initially by your local Branch Office then approved at the monthly NEC meeting in London (see page 18 for dates of upcoming NEC meetings).

All certificates take around six to eight weeks to be approved, engraved and signed.



# 160 glorious years of the Club & Institute Union



The Working Men's Club & Institute Union was formed at a meeting on June 14, 1862 at Waterloo Place, London. *Club Journal* looks back at the early days of the Union under its founding father, the Reverend Henry Solly



CIU clubs have been a force for good in their local communities since 1862

Having been founded in 1862, thus predating the FA Cup, the British Red Cross and the Coca-Cola Company, the Working Men's Club & Institute Union (CIU) has been a force for good in local communities since the reign of Queen Victoria.

In his official history of the Union, *Clubmen*, published in 1987, George Tremlett wrote:

"It was the clubs and institutes that gave working men somewhere to meet and relax once their day's work was done; somewhere to develop hobbies and skills, from gardening to snooker, from darts to the breeding of racing pigeons; a place where they could perhaps, by taking part in the management of their clubs, make a real contribution to the communities in which they lived."

And, save for the reference to 'men' – of course, women are now an

intrinsic and much-valued part of life at CIU clubs – Tremlett's description of the role of the Union's clubs stands as true as ever in 2022 with an array of activities taking place in our clubs, up and down the land, seven days a week.

For the majority of club members, one of the key attractions of heading to a CIU club is the chance to enjoy a drink or two with like-minded people, something which is a far cry from the original vision of the CIU's founding father, the famously teetotal Reverend Henry Solly.

A Unitarian minister, Solly was the driving force behind the formation of the Union as a way of establishing an attractive alternative to pubs as the venues of choice for the urban working class during their leisure time.

For Solly, consuming alcohol, even

in moderation, was not something to be encouraged.

In 1861, he and the Reverend David Thomas of Brixton set about trying to raise the sum of £3 million – the equivalent of about £380 million in purchasing power in today's money – to establish a society that would build a national chain of working men's clubs.

The venture was envisioned as a private venture but was later switched to a more philanthropic footing when the appeal for funds proved largely unsuccessful.

Thus it was, that on June 14, 1862, with the Lord Chancellor, Lord Brougham, chairing proceedings, that the Working Men's Club and Institute Union was formed at the Law Amendment Society's Rooms in Waterloo Place, London.

Speaking at the meeting were John

## 2007: The Union grants equal rights to women members

A dispute at Wakefield City Working Men's Club in 1978 led to a national campaign for equal membership rights for women at the CIU.

Sheila Capstick had been a regular snooker player at the club before an official introduced a ban on women playing snooker.

"A bloke came in and said he was going to have women stopped from playing snooker," she recalled later. "The next thing, a sign went up banning women from playing. I complained to the Committee but nothing happened."

Feeling aggrieved, Sheila started up a petition to overturn the ban and even organised a picket line outside the club.

The campaign, "A Woman's Right to Cues," escalated, and broadened into a demand for equal rights for women in all working men's clubs, and for full membership rights within the CIU.

This wider campaign was named ERICCA – Equal Rights in Clubs Campaign for Action – which began to lobby members outside the CIU's Annual Meeting in Blackpool, where delegates from progressive clubs proposed resolutions supporting equal rights in clubs.

Eventually, after all this activity, a resolution granting women equal members' rights in the CIU was passed at the AGM in April 2007, although women had been allowed to become full members of CIU club for a decade before that decision.

It meant that women members could now use Pass Cards in their own right and visit any of the CIU's affiliated clubs.

Just four years later, in 2011, Carol Goddard became the first female member of the Union's NEC before stepping down from the role in December 2021.



Carol Goddard became the first female member of the NEC in 2011

## Club Journal



The CIU first launched its own publication in 1864, entitled *The Working Men's Club and Institute Magazine*.

Costing threepence per issue, this forerunner of the current *Club Journal* was discontinued in October 1865.

Some 10 years later, the CIU Council voted to re-launch their own publication and on May 15th, 1875, *The Workmen's Club Journal and Official Gazette of the Workingmen's Club and Institute Union* was published for the first time.

Publication was suspended in 1878 but in 1883 came the *Club and Institute Journal* under the Editorship of Council Member Mark Judge.

Then, in July 1894, came the first issue of *Club Journal* with the Secretary of the Union acting as Editor.

The new publication was instrumental in raising money for the Union's Convalescent Homes Fund with a halfpenny for every issue of the magazine sold going to the Fund.

Bainbridge, an upholsterer by trade and Mr Bebbington, a costermonger who had become Secretary of the Westminster Working Men's Club.

A Council was elected at the meeting and the Reverend Solly and the Reverend J H Rylance were appointed as joint Honorary Secretaries of the new organisation.

Later that year, Solly became the Union's first General Secretary with a salary of £200 a year and established the Union's first offices at 150 The Strand.

Interestingly enough, one of Solly's first actions was to install a bed in a back room so that he could catch up on sleep when working late hours at his desk.

He also wrote a manifesto outlining the Union's aims which had some pretty forthright opinions on "intoxicating drinks":

He wrote: "This Union is formed for the purpose of helping working men to establish Clubs or Institutes where they can meet for conversation, business and mental improvement, with the means of recreation and refreshment, free from intoxicating drinks; these clubs,

at the same time, constituting societies for mutual helpfulness in various ways.

"It will be the aim of the Council of the Union to assist in extending or improving existing Associations which have in view objects of a kindred nature with the above as well as to promote the establishment of Clubs or Institutes where no such Associations may now be found.

"In order to consolidate and strengthen the action and mutual fellowship of the various Associations, Clubs or Institutes, the Council will invite them to become Registered Members of the Union.

"(In reference to the use of intoxicating drinks on the premises, the Council are strongly of the opinion that their introduction would be dangerous to the interests of these societies and earnestly recommend their exclusion. They make this recommendation simply on prudential grounds, the reasonableness of which, it is believed the Working Classes will be the first to acknowledge.)

"The Council also recommend that at least half of the managing

## Lobbying the Government on behalf of clubs

In the mid-1980s, the CIU, under the leadership of President Derek Dormer OBE, took the lead in establishing the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Non-Profit Making Members' Clubs alongside several other club associations.

The first meeting was held in 1983, attended by 50 MPs and two members of the House of Lords and has continued at regular intervals ever since in a forum which allows CIU officials to address parliamentarians directly on the legislation affecting the operation of members' clubs.

The Union is also a founder member of the Committee of Registered Clubs Associations (CORCA) which aims to find common ground between various members' club associations and represent those views to the Government and other national bodies involved with clubs.



CIU officials have been regular visitors to the Houses of Parliament since 1983

body should be bona fide Working Men.”

At the end of the first year, Solly reported that the Union had been instrumental in forming 13 clubs; that 13 others had joined the Union: that 10 were in the process of formation under the Union's guidance, and that another 17 had received advice or assistance from the Council.

Despite Solly's clear bias against the sale of alcohol in Union clubs, the organisation had got off to a flying start.

Just three years later, in 1865, a Special Meeting of the Council was called on the temperance issue and it was agreed that there would no longer be any restriction on the sale of beer in member clubs, a decision that enabled clubs to flourish economically.

It was a decision which Solly accepted reluctantly and in his subsequent memoirs, *These Eighty Years*, Solly cited the example of a newly formed club in Leicester which had taken the decision to sell beer on the premises.

He wrote: “What was specially interesting to discover was the extent to which men, when they had got a club of their own, and felt responsible for its good name, were jealous of its credit and honour, and carefully guarded against any excess on their own part or that of their fellow members.”

The self-policing nature and the near-total absence of anti-social behaviour due to the over-indulgence of members of Union clubs is something which remains as true in

2022 as it was in 1865.

As in the early days of the Union, the role of CIU clubs in promoting responsible drinking, civilised behaviour and community spirit is very much in evidence in modern-day Britain.

## Key dates

**1862** CIU established by Reverend Henry Solly in London

**1893** CIU opens new office in Clerkenwell Road, London

**1894** Former CIU President Lord Rosebery becomes Prime Minister

**1894** First convalescent home opens at Pegwell Bay, Kent

**1934** Club Management Diploma (CMD) introduced

**1962** 100th anniversary celebrated with opening of brand-new Head Office in London

**1977** Queen Elizabeth II becomes the first reigning monarch to step inside a CIU club when she visits Coventry WMC with Prince Phillip

**2007** Annual General Meeting in Blackpool votes to allow women to buy Pass Cards

**2011** Carol Goddard becomes first woman elected to NEC

**2018** Award in Club Management introduced

**2022** CIU celebrates 160th anniversary

Of course, as the peerless Club Historian Dr Ruth Charrington points out, the history of the CIU shows a deep-rooted concern for the welfare of others amongst members.

She wrote: “The CIU has always had a caring side to its work, offering practical help for those who fall on hard times, not only among its members but also in the wider community.

“Even those in far-off countries feel the benefit of club members' generosity and fund-raising activities. Clubs have always provided much more than recreational pursuits, entertainment and places to socialise in, though these are all very important.

“When the CIU was first established, there was no Welfare State — that didn't appear until 1945. If you got ill or needed hospital treatment, there was no sick pay and very little help on offer. Men who had accidents — as many did since there was no Health and Safety at Work legislation — had to do the best they could or lose their jobs.

“The CIU, however, wanted to do something positive and practical for club members who suffered sickness or injury. With scant state provision, it set out to promote mutual self-help and benevolent causes.

“Long before the NHS came along, club convalescent homes were opened so that those who had been unfortunate enough to experience sickness had somewhere to recuperate.”

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Cronkeyshaw Social Club prides itself on being a welcoming venue

# Cronkeyshaw Social Club

Members of Cronkeyshaw Social Club in Rochdale recently marked its centenary with a three-day celebration which included live entertainment, karaoke and a series of prize raffles

Renowned as one of the world's great cotton producers in the Victorian era and the birthplace of the co-operative movement, Rochdale in Greater Manchester has traditionally been an area of great strength for CIU clubs as generations of mill workers headed to their local club to relax after a hard shift.

The cotton industry may have declined in the area in recent years but many local clubs continue to flourish.

Indeed, last month saw the town's Cronkeyshaw Social Club celebrating its centenary, having opened its doors for the first time in the summer of 1922.

To mark this auspicious occasion, the club held a special three-day celebration with a karaoke night on Friday, May 13 followed up with live entertainment across the weekend with two artistes performing on both



The club has benefited from a recent refurbishment

the Saturday and Sunday nights.

Committee Member David Lord says: “It was a great weekend and there was a really feeling of pride amongst the Committee and members that we’re still doing well as a club 100 years since our foundation.

“The club has been an important part of the local community for all those years and continues to be a home-from-home for our members.

“We had a great turnout for all three days, starting with a Friday night karaoke that everyone really enjoyed.

“The weekend carried on with some really top quality live entertainment with four singers performing across the weekend – two on the Saturday night and two on the Sunday night – and it was a great occasion for the club.

“There were also a number of special raffles staged over the Centenary Weekend – five draws each night over three nights – with cash prizes as well as a number of donated

prizes, including bottles of wine and spirits and a mobile phone.

“We also held bingo sessions on the Saturday and Sunday where we upped the prize money for the winners.”

It may be celebrating its century but the club is certainly very much a 21st century venue having undergone a refurbishment during lockdown.

“Like many clubs, we decided to use the time when our doors were closed during lockdown to get some work done in the club,” explains David.

“We had the funds to carry out the work that was needed and it made sense to do it when the building was empty.

“We had new upholstery on the bench seating, new tables and chairs, new lighting, new carpets and had the décor updated throughout, including the Bar.

“Having completed the work it was just a matter of waiting before we could reopen, welcome the members back in and show them the

refurbishment.

“Everyone loves the new look and I think it really helped us to relaunch ourselves after lockdown in terms of encouraging people to come back to the club after such a long time away.

“We’ve also done very well in attracting brand-new members who perhaps had never been in before.”

The club has certainly hit the ground running and reports that trade is holding up extremely well.

“Like all clubs, we do really well at weekends when members come in to enjoy the live entertainment and catch up with their friends and family,” says David.

“We’re a very family-orientated club and lots of families come in throughout the week with children very welcome in the club before 6pm.

“We’re always extremely busy on Saturdays but Sundays have become almost as busy and we’ve actually seen an increase in numbers on Sundays compared to pre-pandemic levels.



Snooker is a popular activity at Cronkeyshaw Social Club

## CLUB OF THE MONTH

“One reason for that is that some venues in the area have cut back on live entertainment due to budgetary concerns so people are flocking to us as they know they’ll be able to enjoy a good singer, duo or band on a weekend.

“Sadly, we’ve also seen a number of local clubs fall by the wayside in recent years so we’ve picked up members from them.

“Obviously there are plenty of other incentives to encourage people to stop by on weekends, including regular raffles, members’ draws and bingo sessions.

“Bingo took a while to pick up after we reopened following lockdown but now it’s very, very popular again.

“We also hold an annual ‘Audition Night’ in tandem with the Creeme Entertainment Agency who supply our live acts and we actually have one coming up on June 16.

“It’s a chance for artistes to show what they can do in a club environment in front of a big audience and get themselves represented by Creeme.

“We have around nine acts performing over the night and it goes down really well with our members so that’s something we’re looking forward to this month, especially as

Cronkeyshaw Social Club  
was founded in 1922



we haven’t been able to hold it for a couple of years due to the pandemic.”

Live sport is another key incentive for members to head to the club.

“We have three screens dotted around the club – including a large screen behind the stage - and have BT Sport and Sky Sports subscriptions as our members are very keen on watching live sport, especially the football,” says David.

“Sometimes there will be three different events being shown at the same time as we try and keep everyone happy.

“With the World Cup coming up at the end of the year we’d expect to be packed for all the England games during the tournament.

“Traditional sports are also very popular and we currently run two snooker teams, one that takes part in



Weekend trade has been particularly brisk in recent months

league fixtures on Monday and another which plays its fixtures on Thursdays.

“It’s great for the club to have those midweek games going on as it helps to keep the bar trade ticking over on the quieter days.”

The club has an upstairs Lounge which is available for private functions and that is another growth area for the club.

“Our Lounge is very popular for private parties with members getting the room hire for free and a small charge for non-members.

“We have plenty of forward bookings for parties and the like. It’s not every week but it’s a good additional source of income for the club through the extra bar takings.”

Charity events are also held regularly at the club and there are permanent collection tins on the Bar for a variety of good causes.

As with all well-run CIU clubs, it is the Committee which is at the heart of the club’s continuing success and David stresses the teamwork which goes into keeping the club moving forward.

“I know some clubs are struggling to fill Committee positions but we’re very lucky that we have plenty of very capable people who are willing to take up roles on our Committee,” says David.

“Currently our Committee is nine-strong - Club Secretary Florence Burgess, President Angela Hoyle, Vice-President Roy Hoyle, Treasurer Michael Sully, Michael Hardacre, Gary Crosswaite, Peter Reeve, along with myself and my wife Mavis – and we’re all very happy to get stuck into the various roles.”

As you’d expect, the club has a very competitively priced drinks offering with some local beers proving very popular.

“Thwaites Smooth goes down very well with our members, along with Crystal and Crystal Gold lagers from the Joseph Holt Brewery in Manchester,” says David.

“We had to introduce a slight price increase in May but our range is still great value when compared with other licensed premises around the area and we enjoy a reputation for serving quality beer.

“Our Steward, Philip Greenwood, has been with us for nearly a decade and our Assistant Steward, Edith Teale, has been with the club for 16 years, so we have a very experienced team who work very well with the Committee.

“It also helps that one of our Committee members, Peter Reeve, was actually the Club Steward for many years, so obviously offers some great insight into the running of the bar operation.

“We’re very happy with how well the club is doing at the moment with trade returning to pre-pandemic levels and the club looking so good after the refurbishment.”

As Cronkeyshaw Social Club embarks on its second century, it would appear that the future is looking very bright.

### CONTACT DETAILS

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The club's renovations were carried out by a group of volunteers over five months

# HQ



## News in brief

### The CIU Contracts and Handbook are currently being updated

The CIU Contracts and Handbook are currently being updated and will be available soon.

Look out for further information in future editions of *Club Journal*.



### HMRC produces MGD guide for clubs

HMRC has produced a Machine Games Duty (MGD) guide to distribute to every person in the country, who either has access to a gaming machine, supplies machines, Trade bodies linked to gaming machines, and premises with gaming machines.

This guide has now been completed and can be downloaded from: [gov.uk/machine-game-duty](http://gov.uk/machine-game-duty) or call 0300 200 3700 for more information.

### National Executive Committee dates for 2022

The remaining dates for the monthly NEC meetings at Head Office in 2022 are: June 8/9; July 6/7; August 3/4; September 7/8; October 5/6; November 2/3 and December 7/8.

### Annual Meeting 2023 dates confirmed

The dates for the 2023 Conference Weekend in Blackpool have been confirmed and are as follows:

*Thursday, April 13* – NEC Meeting (Blackpool)

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

*Saturday, April 15* – AGM (Blackpool)

## Beer Day Britain set for June 15

Club members are being urged to celebrate Beer Day Britain on Wednesday, June 15.

The day, which is supported by a number of organisations, including the Campaign For Real Ale (CAMRA), is an annual celebration of Britain's national drink and the focus of the day is the National Cheers to Beer toast at 7pm which aims to unite beer drinkers across the UK.

Beer expert Jane Peyton, who came up with the idea of an annual Beer Day Britain several years ago, said:

“After two years of being unable to celebrate Beer Day Britain in the way we normally do because of the pandemic, we can once again meet in person to celebrate national beer day.

“Beer tastes so much better when consumed with friends and even better in a bar with a great atmosphere.”



Beer Day Britain is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15

Beer Day Britain celebrates all types of beer and was founded on ideals dating back more than 800 years.

At the time of the sealing of the Magna Carta in 1215, beer was important enough to be mentioned in Article 35 of the charter and in modern times, seven out of every 10 drinks sold in on-trade venues are beer.

## Sid Hicks passes away

Northumberland Branch is sad to announce that Sid Hicks has passed away.

Sid served the Branch for many years and was also a member of the CIU's NEC before he stepped down from the role in July 2018.

He will be much missed by his family and friends.

We will run a full obituary in the next issue of *Club Journal*.



Former NEC Member Sid Hicks has passed away

# Why not get involved in the Festival of Clubs?

The Festival of Clubs celebrates the achievements of members' clubs across the UK and many of our fantastic Union clubs have led the way in a number of categories during recent years... why not join them?

This year's Festival of Clubs takes place on November 23-24, 2022.

Launched last November as the successor to the longstanding Club Awards, the Festival of Clubs is a series of events designed to celebrate Clubland in all its many guises and, as you'd expect, CIU clubs and officials will be very much to the fore at the event.

The CIU has its own category within the awards section of the event, the 'CIU Traditional Club of the Year' award which puts the spotlight on the outstanding work being done by Union clubs across the country.



CIU clubs were honoured at the inaugural Festival of Clubs event held in Doncaster last year

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# The CIU – 160 years of supporting clubs and members

Here's an in-depth look at the many services and benefits offered by the CIU to our affiliated clubs, including legal advice, the chance to learn about club law and finance through the Union's Education Programme and the opportunity to take part in national and regional competitions in a variety of sports and games

## Advice and Help for Clubs

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

## Education

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

## Club Journal

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

## Charity

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

## Lobbying on Behalf of Clubs

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

## Rules

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





**Events - CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition**

Staged during Conference Weekend in April, the CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition provides a fantastic opportunity for club delegates to attend a free trade show which is specifically targeted at the needs of CIU clubs. The show provides a great day out for club men and women, as the many exhibitors including several of the CIU's Preferred Suppliers showcase their services and products to attendees and demonstrate how they can help increase profits and save money on running costs at their clubs.

**The CIU Racing Club**

The newly relaunched CIU Racing Club enables clubs to take advantage of special discounted tickets for club outings to a variety of racecourses across the country. *Club Journal* publishes a list of fixtures for race meetings throughout the year for which CIU members can obtain their discounted tickets, as well as giving details of exciting 'one-off' offers and packages, including racedays at some of the country's top racing venues, including Chepstow, Doncaster and Haydock Park.

**Sport & Games**

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

**CIU Official Website**

The CIU's official website ([www.wmciu.org.uk](http://www.wmciu.org.uk)) provides a wealth of information regarding the activities going on throughout the Union, as well as contact details for Head Office and Branch personnel. It also has a 'Breaking News' section which will keep you abreast of the latest Government legislation concerning members' clubs, as well as links to the Union's various Preferred Suppliers. It also has a regularly updated database of all the clubs affiliated to the CIU.

**Events - CIU National Charity Raceday**

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

**PRS For Music Tariff**

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



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# ACM day courses set for return in second half of 2022

The Award in Club Management (ACM) day sessions will be making a return in 2022 and aim to 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 the second half of 2022, so look out for further information in upcoming issues of *Club Journal*.



Each unit of the ACM is completed in a one-day session held at a club



The lecturers on the course include General Secretary Kenneth D Green CMD ACM



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

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- Laws and regulations under which social clubs run by volunteers operate
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### Unit 3

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Includes:

- Financial control
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## Testimonial

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

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

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## BARNARD CASTLE WORKING MEN'S CLUB

Club Steward/ Stewardess with partner to assist is required for immediate start

An opportunity has arisen at Barnard Castle Working Men's Club in County Durham. We are seeking to appoint a new experienced and efficient Steward/Stewardess to continue to maintain the current operations of this club.

Responsibilities will include the smooth running of two bars, cellar management, stock control, ordering, line cleaning, cashing up, managing staff and other ad-hoc duties as required.

Full responsibilities of stock is necessary for which a bond may be required.

Applicants should be friendly, efficient and possess good social and communication skills and to work alongside the Officials and Committee. A good interactive relationship with club members is also expected.

Position is paid monthly with 28 days annual leave. Living accommodation of a 2 bed flat forms part of the contract and is non-negotiable.

All interested parties should send a copy of their CV and covering letter to the Club Secretary, Mr M Lodge or by email to [tjrogers@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tjrogers@hotmail.co.uk).

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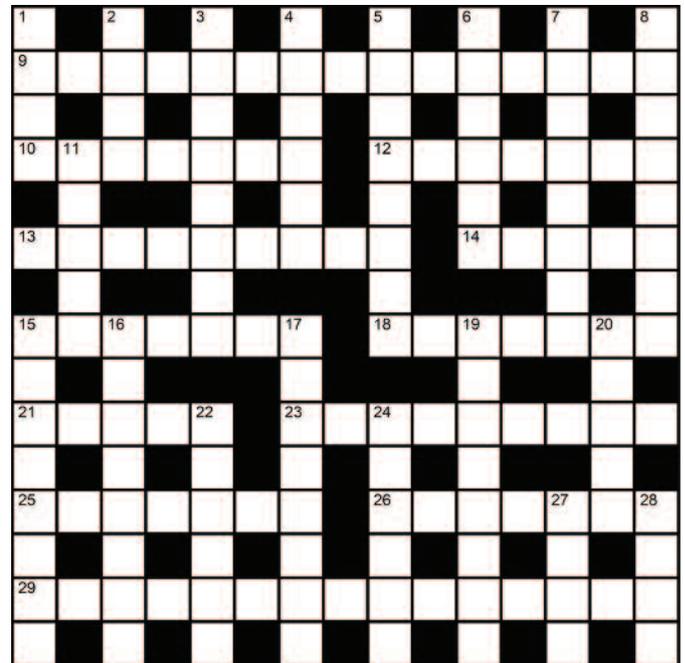
- 9 Medium, for this crossword, at least! (7,8)
- 10 Feature that's plain dotty! (7)
- 12 Punishment from nonsense a-plenty (7)
- 13 Do cruises make for a lecture? (9)
- 14 A girl who can produce a top goal (5)
- 15 Foodie can tug more out of these (7)
- 18 User all confused about where not to rest on? (7)
- 21 Scribbled memo should end with computer connector (5)
- 23 Mobster in trouble to fire partner (9)
- 25 Talking of dogs, how mad is this? (7)
- 26 Southern 'shark' is slim (7)
- 29 Camouflaged and hid the

grandness with dextrality (5-10)

#### DOWN

- 1 Meaty sort of complaint? (4)
- 2 No greeting to include a monster! (4)
- 3 Crooks I'm trying to reform in the 'poorly bay' (4-4)
- 4 "Had ore dug out," said when dismayed (2,4)
- 5 For the record, it was Donald first (8)
- 6 One to three G's all mixed up? A spirited one to drink! (6)
- 7 Ease the pain of the patella I broke (8)
- 8 Uses again in a devious, sly recce (2-6)
- 11 Thick-skinned one treated with iron in hospital (5)

- 15 Grouse, say, at mid-barge collision (4,4)
- 16 Too young to be clothed with a dungaree? (5-3)
- 17 Boot gang out with a sledge? (8)
- 19 Any duets may become shaky (8)
- 20 Surgical knife for the corporal? (5)
- 22 Molybdenite alloy, not to blend by half! (6)
- 24 Enid is troubled by this sort of information (6)
- 27 Mammal, returning from the reedbeds (4)
- 28 Remainder of the score? Pause for the answer (4)



Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Club \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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

- AB Brindle of David Street WMC
- Graham Hogg of Seaton Carew Social Club
- Rosemary Davies of Cwmcam WMC
- S Hichcliffe of Brighton St WMC
- Henry Dunn of Millview Social Club

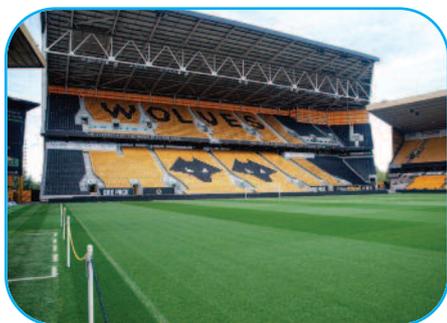




Friday, June 10, 10am – Sky Sports Cricket

**Test Cricket: England v New Zealand- 2nd Test**

New skipper Ben Stokes leads England in the second Test of the three-Test series at Trent Bridge in Nottingham. In 2021, with the sides having drawn the first Test, New Zealand won the second Test by eight wickets to win the series 1–0. It was the first time that New Zealand had won a Test series in England since 1999.



Saturday, June 11, 7.45pm – Channel 4

**Football – European Nations Cup: England v Italy**

The Three Lions meet the European champions behind closed doors at Molineux due to sanctions imposed by UEFA. This is, of course, a repeat of the Euro 2020 Final (actually played in 2021) which saw England lose on penalties after close-fought match. Italy have since failed to qualify for the 2022 World Cup.



Tuesday, June 14, 2pm – ITV

**Horse Racing: Royal Ascot**

One of the biggest horse racing events of the year gets underway in the Queen's backyard with five days of top flat racing in prospect. There will be seven races per day with the first day alone seeing three prestigious Group 1 contests – the Queen Anne Stakes, the King's Stand Stakes and the St James's Palace Stakes.

# SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS

There is plenty of top sporting action coming up in June, including Royal Ascot, the US Open, the start of Wimbledon 2022, plus some unmissable international football ties in the European Nations Cup

Sunday, June 5, 5pm

Sky Sports

**World Cup Qualifying Play-Off**

**Final: Wales v Scotland or Ukraine**

Tuesday, June 7, 7.45pm

Channel 4

**Football – European Nations Cup:**

**Germany v England**

Wednesday, June 8, 7.45pm

Premier Sports

**Football – European Nations Cup:**

**Wales v Netherlands**

Friday, June 10, 10am

Sky Sports Cricket

**Test Cricket: England v New**

**Zealand- 2nd Test**

Friday, June 10, 7.45pm

Sky Sports Man Event

**Super League: Catalans Dragons v**

**Hull FC**

Saturday, June 11, 10am

Sky Sports Cricket

**Test Cricket: England v New**

**Zealand- 2nd Test**

Saturday, June 11, 1pm

BT Sport

**Premiership Rugby Union: Semi-**

**Final 1**

Saturday, June 11, 4pm

BT Sport

**Premiership Rugby Union: Semi-**

**Final 2**

Saturday, June 11, 7.45pm

Channel 4

**Football – European Nations Cup:**

**England v Italy**

Sunday, June 12, 10am

Sky Sports Cricket

**Test Cricket: England v New**

**Zealand- 2nd Test**

Sunday, June 12, 12 noon

Sky Sports F1

**F1: Azerbaijan Grand Prix**

Monday, June 13, 10am

Sky Sports Cricket

**Test Cricket: England v New**

**Zealand- 2nd Test**

Tuesday, June 14, 10am

Sky Sports Cricket

**Test Cricket: England v New**

**Zealand - 2nd Test**

Tuesday, June 14, 2pm

ITV

**Horse Racing: Royal Ascot – Day 1**

Tuesday, June 14, 7.45pm

Channel 4

**Football – European Nations Cup:**

**England v Hungary**

Wednesday, June 15, 2pm

ITV

**Horse Racing: Royal Ascot – Day 2**

Thursday, June 16, 2pm

ITV

**Horse Racing: Royal Ascot – Day 3**

Thursday, June 16, 7pm

Sky Sports

**Golf: US Open**

Friday, June 17, 2pm

ITV

**Horse Racing: Royal Ascot – Day 4**

Friday, June 17, 7pm

Sky Sports

**Golf: US Open**

Saturday, June 18, 7pm

Sky Sports

**Golf: US Open**

Saturday, June 18, 2pm

ITV

**Horse Racing: Royal Ascot – Day 5**



Premiership Rugby  
Union Final –  
Saturday, June 18,  
3pm BT Sport

*Saturday, June 18, 3pm*  
*BT Sport*

**Premiership Rugby Union: Final**

*Sunday, June 19, 1pm*  
*BT Sport*

**MotoGP: German Grand Prix**

*Sunday, June 19, 6pm*  
*Sky Sports F1*

**F1: Canadian Grand Prix**

*Sunday, June 19, 7pm*  
*Sky Sports*

**Golf: US Open**

*Thursday, June 23, 10am*  
*Sky Sports Cricket*

**Test Cricket: England v New Zealand - 3rd Test**

*Thursday, June 23, 7.45pm*  
*Sky Sports Man Event*

**Super League: St Helens v Leeds Rhinos**

*Friday, June 24, 10am*  
*Sky Sports Cricket*

**Test Cricket: England v New Zealand - 3rd Test**

*Saturday, June 25, 10am*  
*Sky Sports Cricket*

**Test Cricket: England v New Zealand - 3rd Test**

*Sunday, June 26, 10am*  
*Sky Sports Cricket*

**Test Cricket: England v New Zealand - 3rd Test**

*Sunday, June 26, 1pm*  
*BT Sport*

**MotoGP: Netherlands Grand Prix**

*Monday, June 27, 10am*  
*Sky Sports Cricket*

**Test Cricket: England v New Zealand - 3rd Test**

*Monday, June 27, 12.30pm*  
*BBC*

**Tennis: Wimbledon Championships**

*Tuesday, June 28, 12.30pm*  
*BBC*

**Tennis: Wimbledon Championships**

*Wednesday, June 29, 12.30pm*  
*BBC*

**Tennis: Wimbledon Championships**

*Thursday, June 30, 12.30pm*  
*BBC*

**Tennis: Wimbledon Championships**

*Friday, July 1, 10.30am*  
*Sky Sports Cricket*

**Test Cricket: England v India - 1st Test**

*Saturday, July 2, 10.30am*  
*Sky Sports Cricket*

**Test Cricket: England v India - 1st Test**

*Sunday, July 3, 10.30am*  
*Sky Sports Cricket*

**Test Cricket: England v India - 1st Test**

*Sunday, July 3, 2pm*  
*Sky Sports F1*

**F1: British Grand Prix**



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