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## President signals renewed efforts to recruit more clubs to the Union

Union President George Dawson CMD used his address at the 153rd Annual Meeting on April 9 to signal a renewed effort on the part of the CIU leadership to actively recruit new clubs to the Union.

Mr Dawson stated his belief that the CIU should be targeting the estimated 6,000 unregistered clubs which exist in the UK with a view to bringing them under the auspices of the Union.

He said: "The number of clubs lost to the Union is the smallest number for a considerable number of years – in fact, returning to pre-Smoking Ban levels. The Union now needs to start recruiting instead of contracting.

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Mr Dawson also suggested that the Union would be looking into the issue of providing financial assistance for member clubs which are struggling.

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Union President  
George Dawson  
CMD

In his address, General Secretary Ken Green CMD highlighted the importance of the Union's education programme and gave details of a new course which is expected to be rolled out to members later this year.

He said: "Along with one of our partner breweries, Carlsberg, and CPL Training, a new education programme is very close.

"We have produced manuals covering legislation and management procedures, and hope later this year to roll out an accounts package to enable us to provide a successor to the same-day programme.

"The NEC believe education is an extremely vital component of the services we provide as a Union.

"We are still receiving claims for arbitration from club members who feel they have not been dealt with in a fair manner.

"It is imperative that Club Committees follow their Rule Book to the letter, or they run the risk of having a decision overturned at arbitration and bad members being allowed back into the club."

• For the full report of the 2016 Annual Meeting see pages 8-15

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## Newbottle WMC win CIU Quiz title

Newbottle WMC, Tyne and Wear, have been crowned Dransfields CIU National Quiz Champions for 2016 after winning the final held at the Norbreck Castle Hotel in Blackpool on Conference Weekend.

The winning quartet – Tony Gold, Clive Dunning, Mick Frith and Tony Walmsley – won the £500 top prize, beating last year's champions, Gosforth Empire Social Club from Newcastle upon Tyne, by a single point in a highly competitive encounter.

Taking third place was a team from the Clarence Club in Newport, South Wales, while the Ashford Road Club, Swindon, finished in fourth place.

• See page 5 for the final scores and more photos from the day

# EDITOR'S LETTER

Welcome to the May edition of *Club Journal* as we look back on another successful weekend in Blackpool which saw club members from all over the country assembling together under one roof for the Beer & Trades Exhibition and Annual Meeting, held respectively on the Friday and Saturday of Conference Weekend at the Norbreck Castle Hotel.

Once again there was a fantastic turnout for the Beer & Trades Exhibition and I hope that if you were one of the many delegates who came along that you enjoyed all that the show had to offer.

The CIU and *Club Journal* stands were certainly extremely busy throughout the show and it was great that our team got to meet so many members and talk to them about the services that Head Office provides.

We have a report on the show on pages 16-17 which will hopefully give those who missed it a flavour of the event and also serve as a reminder to put a date in your diary for the 2017 edition which takes place on Friday April 7 of next year.

Of course, it was the Annual Meeting, held on the Saturday morning, which was the key event of Conference Weekend as the assembled delegates debated two Motions and heard speeches from the Worshipful The Mayor of Blackpool, Lord Mackenzie of Framwellgate and addresses from both the President and the General Secretary.

You can read the official minutes of the Meeting on pages 8-15 or, if you'd rather listen to the transcript, you can download an audio file of the entire Meeting from the Union's website: [www.wmciu.org](http://www.wmciu.org)

On the website, you will also be able to read a full, unedited transcript of the Annual Meeting plus view a picture gallery of images from the entire weekend taken by the Union's official Conference photographer.

Also, another date for your diary – next year's Annual Conference takes place on Saturday April 8, 2017.

Bringing the curtain down on Conference Weekend was the Dransfields CIU National Quiz Final as the Union's top quiz brains engaged in a closely fought battle for this



prestigious title on Saturday afternoon after the Annual Meeting.

Congratulations to the winners – Newbottle WMC – who clinched the title and the top cash prize of £500 with a mightily impressive performance.

Many thanks to all those who got involved with the Quiz this year and our particular gratitude must go to headline sponsors Dransfields for their support.

I hope you enjoy the issue.

Stephen Goulding, Editor

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## GEOFF SMITH RECEIVES HIS C.O.M.



Pictured, left to right: NEC Member Dave Gravel CMD, Jean and Geoff Smith of Intake Social Club

Geoff Smith has completed 10 years on the Management Committee of Intake Social Club despite failing health making this very difficult for him recently.

He has been Sub/Committee/Chairman throughout and as such has arranged all the Life Members outings and parties as well as all the children's outings and parties, plus a pantomime at Christmas.

Geoff received a 10-year Certificate of

Merit from NEC Member Dave Gravel CMD which has been framed and will be displayed with all the others in the club.

The club also presented him with a laminated copy of the Certificate plus a Samuel Smith's Tankard engraved to recognise his achievements. The club also presented Geoff's wife Jean with a bouquet of flowers as a thank you for all her support and help over the years.

## RHINOS PAY A VISIT TO GARFORTH WMC



Leeds Rhinos players Robbie Burrows and Mark Lilley recently dropped in on Garforth WMC

Garforth Working Men's Club, West Yorkshire Branch, received a visit from two local sporting heroes in March – Leeds Rhinos captain Robbie Burrows and team-mate Mark Lilley – who took part in a special event to the launch of the club as an official Supporter Branch of the Super League side.

There was a chance for club members to

have their photos taken with Robbie and Mark as well as with the trophies currently held by the Rhinos – the Challenge Cup, Super League Championship and World Club Championship.

To round off a fantastic night at Garforth WMC, the two players took part in a Q&A session, answering questions from the huge crowd who attended the event.

### CLUB NOTICES

#### Expulsions

Mr J Finnigan, High Howdon Social Club

Mr RL Micheson, Netherton Workmen's Social Club Ltd.

#### Expelled Clubs

Wednesbury RBL Club (West Midlands Branch)

Bickley & Widmore WM Club & Institute (Kent Branch)

#### Clubs Applying for Membership of the Union

Upper Stratton Workman's Reform Club 2014 Ltd. (Western Counties Branch)

Ogmore Vale Constitutional Club (South Wales Branch)

## Competition



*Club Journal* is giving you the chance to win *Taxi: The Complete Series* courtesy of Mediumrare Entertainment.

Worth £69.99, this DVD boxset features every single episode of the classic 1970s/80s US sitcom starring Danny DeVito, Judd Hirsch and Christopher Lloyd about a bunch of bizarre characters working for a New York taxi firm.

This is the first time that all five seasons of the Emmy and Golden Globe Award-winning TV classic have been released.

To be in with a chance of winning this great prize, answer the following question:

**Who played taxi controller Louie de Palma in *Taxi*?**

- a) Danny Baker
- b) Danny DeVito
- c) Danny Dyer

Send your answer, name, club and address to: [justin@clubjournal.co.uk](mailto:justin@clubjournal.co.uk) with the subject line 'Taxi competition' or you can post your entry to: Taxi competition, *Club Journal*, ACP, 59/60 Thames Street, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 1TX.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**Foster's signs deal as Official Lager of England Cricket**

Foster's is the Official Lager of England Cricket having signed a two-year deal with the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB).

The major new sponsorship deal will be supported by a nationwide campaign appealing to cricket fans across the country throughout the summer. The two-year deal includes all international T20 matches, ODIs and International Test Matches.

David Forde, MD of Foster's owners Heineken, said: "We're thrilled to team up with England Cricket. The game has one of the widest fan bases of any sport and Foster's is one of the best-selling lagers in the country - it's a winning combination for our customers, consumers and us."

**Carlsberg UK launches 2016 Tapster's Cask Ale Brochure**

Carlsberg UK has launched the 2016 edition of its award-winning Tapster's Cask Ale Brochure with a fresh new look and an extended portfolio that now includes almost 250 ales.

Now available to Carlsberg UK's on-trade customers, the brochure has been redesigned with a stylish new-look to reflect the fact cask ale is enjoying a renaissance in the UK.

As part of the new design, the range has been segmented, making it easier to navigate, allowing clubs to identify the right range for their customers. It includes a foreword from beer expert Pete Brown and also highlights key facts designed to help maximise the benefit of cask ales in their outlet.

In addition, an enhanced selection of beers from craft cask brewers has been introduced, increasing the total number of cask ales permanently available by 31 to 87. As well as the Craft Selection and the better-known Tried and Trusted brands, a Local Heroes section promotes a variety of regional beers.

**BENTLEY ROAD CLUB WIN CIU NATIONAL DOMINOES STRAIGHT PAIRS TITLE**

York City Branch President Alan Preston (centre) with the CIU National Dominoes Straight Pair Championship runners-up John Morgan and Dave Madden (left) of 102 Social Club and title winners Dave Cartwright and Brian Taylor of Bentley Road Club (right)

The semi-finals and final of the CIU National Dominoes Straight Pairs Championship, supported by John Smith's, were held at St Lawrence (York) WMC and attracted travelling Branch support from Derbyshire, Durham and Warwickshire with fabulous evening entertainment provided by the host club.

The day commenced with York City CIU Branch President Alan Preston welcoming players and guests and having photographs take with all the players involved.

All matches were played in accordance with CIU National Rules over 21 hands.

The first semi-final between John Morgan and Dave Madden of 102 Social Club, Derbyshire Branch and Derrick Smith and Stan Bell of Crowtrees WM Club, Durham Branch, was a true classic with the first six hands being shared before John and Dave went into the lead with an 8-5 advantage by the end of the 13th hand.

Derrick and Stan fought back to level the match at 9-9 in the 18th hand and the next two legs were also shared to make it 10-10.

The deciding leg was an absolute cracker and at the end both teams were level on the count, resulting in a replayed 21st hand that the Derbyshire pair managed to clinch victory in by 11-10. Absolutely brilliant dominoes from both pairs. Marker and Match Referee was Frank Healy.

The second semi-final was between Phil

Whitfield and Ken Westgarth of Crowtrees WC Club, Durham Branch and Dave Cartwright and Brian Taylor of Bentley Road Club, Warwickshire Branch.

Again, it was a very close match in the early stages with the first four hands being shared before the Warwickshire pair gained an advantage of 10-5 in their favour by the end of the 15th hand. Phil and Ken staged a valiant effort to win the 16th and 17th hands before the Bentley Road Club pair sealed victory in the 18th hand to make the winning score 11-7. Marker and Match Referee was Alan Preston.

The Final, between 102 Social Club and Bentley Road Club, proved to be another great match. Dave Cartwright and Brian Taylor raced into a 5-2 lead by the end of the 7th hand and that had turned into a 10-4 lead at the end of the 14th hand. It looked like it was going to be a bit of a canter, however John and Dave had other ideas and played some superb match dominoes to win the next four hands and make it 10-8 before the Bentley Road Club pair regained their form to win 11-8. Marker and Match Referee was Davy Wharton.

The trophies were presented by York City Branch Secretary Frank Healy and this part of the day culminated with a vote of thanks being offered by all present to the Bar Staff, Committee and members of St Lawrence (York) Club.

## Newbottle WMC win the 2016 Dransfields CIU National Quiz Title

Newbottle WMC are the 2016 Dransfields CIU National Quiz Champions after clinching the title at an entertaining final in Blackpool.

The winning team were presented with a cheque for £500 while the second and third-placed team respectively won cash prizes of £200 and £100.

As you'd expect with renowned Quiz Master Dave Bill of Redtooth at the helm, the competition was of an extremely high standard throughout the several gruelling rounds.

In the end, there was just three points separating the top three teams with Newbottle WMC achieving 68 points, just ahead of 2015 Champions Gosforth Empire Social Club on 67 points and Clarence A on 65 points.

While the finalists battled it out through the final with their eye on the prestigious title, a number of teams – some featuring members of the National Executive Council and the *Club Journal* team – also took part just for fun.

With free refreshments laid on for the players courtesy of CIU Preferred Supplier Carlsberg and a buffet supplied at the halfway stage by *Club Journal* publisher ACP, the Dransfields CIU National Quiz Final was a fitting climax to Conference Weekend.

### Dransfields CIU National Quiz Final Results:

1st: Newbottle WMC - 68

2nd: Gosforth Empire SC - 67

3rd: Clarence A - 65

4th: Ashford Road Club - 62



Union President George Dawson CMD (left), the four members of the title-winning Newbottle WMC team – Clive Dunning, Mick Frith, Tony Walmsley and Tony Gold – and Dransfields Managing Director Chris Haley (right)



Quiz Master Dave Bill of Redtooth



The Ashted Village Club team in action



The Ashford Road Club team



Runners-up Gosforth Empire Social Club



## FOR SERVICE

### Branch Executive 31 year Award

**John Wood CMD**, Wessex

### Centenary Award

**Brighton Trades & Labour Club**, South East Met

### Distinguished Service

**Kenneth Green**, Darfield Road WM Club, South Yorkshire

### Long Service

**Neil Hollinshead**, Pittshill Victory Club, West Midlands

**Deidre Cope**, Rowley & Blackheath Labour Club, West Midlands

**Ian Fothergill**, Arundel Exservicemens Club, South Yorkshire

**Neil Morgan**, Heolgerrig & Dist Rec/Soc & Cult, South Wales

**Ian Lyall**, Ashington R.A.O.B Club, Northumberland

**John Arkle**, Stormont Main WM Club, Durham

**Hughie Walker**, Stormont Main WM Club, Durham

**John Modral**, Pelaw & District SC, Durham

**Jose Hair**, Hylton Castle WM Social Club, Durham

### Certificate of Merit

**Martin Maher**, Belvedere Social Club, Leeds

**Derek Ross**, Hylton Castle WM Social Club, Durham

**James Cain**, Hylton Castle WM Social Club, Durham

**Michael Black**, Hylton Castle WM Social Club, Durham

**Derrick Wall**, Hylton Castle WM Social Club, Durham

**Joe Boardman**, Hylton Castle WM Social Club, Durham

**Mandy Crockford**, Crofton (Hants) Club, Wessex

**Philip Beach**, Audley WM Club, Manchester

**Anthony Matthews**, Ashington R.A.O.B Club, Northumberland

**Allan Wills**, Heolgerrig & Dist Rec/Soc & Cult, South Wales

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# THE 153RD ANNUAL MEETING

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The 153rd Annual Meeting of the Union, held in the Ballroom of the Norbreck Castle Hotel, Blackpool, began with **GEORGE DAWSON CMD, THE PRESIDENT** of the Union asking the assembled delegates to observe a two-minute silence in remembrance of those club members who had passed away in the previous 12 months.

**THE PRESIDENT** then asked delegates to agree the minutes of the 2015 Council Meeting as per the May 2015 edition of *Club Journal*. This was followed by a Civic Welcome from **THE WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR OF BLACKPOOL, COUNCILLOR PETER CALLOW**.

The National Executive Member for South Wales and Monmouthshire District, **KEN ROBERTS CMD**, Chairman of the Standing Orders Committee, introduced the other members of the Committee: the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Geoff Whewell, from the West Midlands Branch; Sid Hicks from the Northumberland Branch; Bob Russell CMD from the Wessex Branch; Dennis Wheadon of the Northumberland Branch; Mick Bott from the South East Midlands Branch; Glen Evans from the South Wales Branch and Bert Hurt from the South Yorkshire Branch.

## THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

“Good morning delegates, and welcome to the 153rd Conference. I would like to thank you for returning me as your President for my fourth term.

“I get the feeling that things have improved regarding the number of clubs in dire straits trouble. The number of clubs lost to the Union is the smallest number for a considerable number of years – in fact, returning to pre-smoking ban levels.

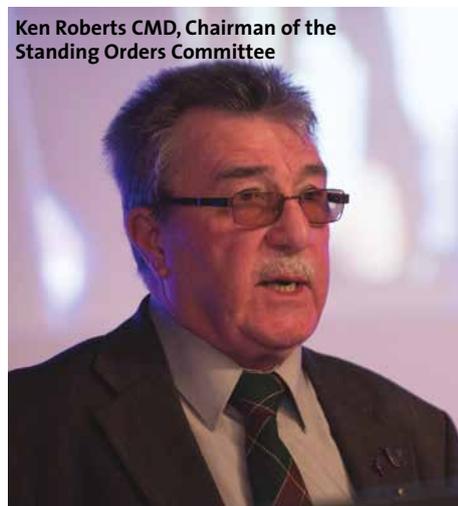
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“We need to do more. We’ve also introduced a model Rule Book for unregistered clubs – of which there are an estimated 6,000 in England and Wales. This has been a barrier in the past for some potential clubs as they do not wish to be registered. We also need to sell ourselves that we can offer help and assistance to clubs, as we do now to our member clubs.

“I would just like to take this opportunity, at this moment, to acknowledge that some members would like to see financial help for clubs. This has been discussed and we have asked the West Midlands Branch to investigate the legal aspects of this.

“I would personally like for us to do something similar to the Association of Conservative Clubs, instead of our money lining the pockets of the City. This complete change in Union policy needs to be fully investigated. If the NEC just throw money



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into ‘no hope’ cases, we would be, quite rightly, criticised for not managing the assets of the Union prudently.

“I turn now to the apathy that we have in the whole of society, not least within the club movement. We had an Election for President of the Union, in which only 30 per cent of the clubs took part. It was also a similar picture in the NEC Elections, and a couple of years ago we had an Election for the General Secretary and participation was lower than 30 per cent.

“This is no criticism of those individuals who stood for office, as that is a very brave thing to do, but it is a criticism of the clubs for not participating. Obviously, I’m talking to the converted who are here today.

“This apathy extends to branches. We have unfortunately seen in recent years the loss of Branch Secretaries through illness

and death, the most recent being Martin Smith from the Leeds Branch, whose funeral is next week.

“The problem being the branch falls into turmoil, and there is a lack of successors, because a lot of the branches do not have a full Executive, and clubs are not turning up to Council meetings. This apathy, unfortunately, extends to our clubs. How many of us know of a long standing Secretary of a club dying and, because of apathy of the members, either nobody is prepared to take over or, worse, a totally inappropriate individual takes over and, in both cases, the club then closes? We need to get people involved and I do not have the answer for this, because I have the same problem in my own club.

“As I have said, this is not restricted to us alone. It is throughout society. Maybe we do need a radical change to our politics and representatives. Maybe we need a change in the way we are governed to feel that our voice is heard and, if this change comes, maybe it’ll reinvigorate our society, and people once again will feel part of society and get involved. But enough of politics.

“My final point – actually, it isn’t my final point, because I’ve got one more point after this – is to ask you to support the NEC to recruit clubs to the Union so they can enjoy the benefits of being part of an umbrella organisation.

“Help us to recruit new clubs and bring back into the fold those who have left. The NEC feel that the start of this recruitment will be for the delegates today to vote in

favour of the name change. I think it will help us in many ways with widening our appeal, including representation to the law makers in outside society.

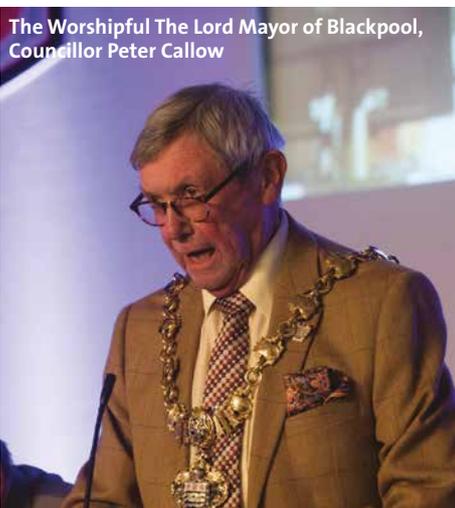
“The other item I’d like to add is this. Yesterday {at the Trade Show}, I had one of the delegates come to me – this is the advantage of being a smoker, when I was stood outside having a smoke – with some very distressing news regarding the Gambling Commission and those clubs that pay the bingo tax.

“Some clubs have received totally inappropriate letters from the Gambling Commission regarding your bingo and new schedules and new restrictions on you. It doesn’t apply to clubs, it never has applied to clubs, so if you receive a similar letter, let your Branch Secretary and the Union know straightaway so we can respond to them, instead of you worrying about it.”

**THE PRESIDENT** then introduced this year’s keynote speaker, **LORD MACKENZIE OF FRAMWELLGATE OBE**, who spoke about the importance of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Non-Profit Making Members’ Clubs as a way for the CIU to engage with policy makers in Westminster; his belief that the Government should reduce the burden of regulation on clubs; and the problem of supermarkets selling cheap alcohol.

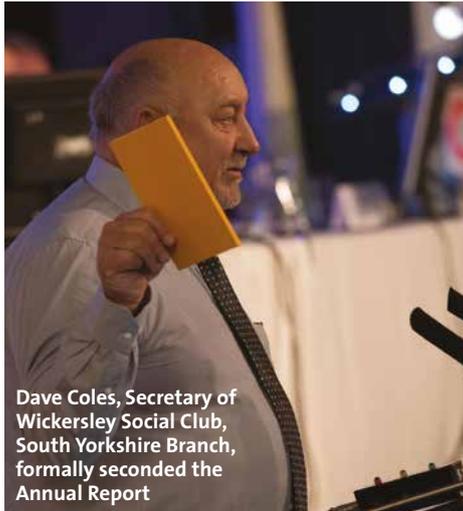
**THE PRESIDENT** then asked the delegates to consider the Annual Report. **HENRY SHANAHAN**, Branch Secretary of the South Wales Branch, in proposing the acceptance of the report, said: “Unfortunately, there has never been a greater need for support to clubs from Branch and national level than ever before. There is a wealth of information contained

The Worshipful The Lord Mayor of Blackpool, Councillor Peter Callow



Lord Mackenzie of Framwellgate





Dave Coles, Secretary of Wickersley Social Club, South Yorkshire Branch, formally seconded the Annual Report

in this little book, and I urge committeemen, especially Club Secretaries, to take the time to check it out. I therefore have no compunction in asking delegates to accept this truly professional report, and congratulate the team and all those who participated in its production.

“May I also take this opportunity to thank all Head Office staff for the patience and courtesy of which I have benefitted in my short period of office to date.”

**DAVE COLES**, Secretary of Wickersley Social Club, South Yorkshire Branch, formally seconded the Annual Report and said: “I would suggest in all sincerity that you take the time out to read this, because it’s probably the best publication that the Head Office produced throughout the year. There’s a mine of information in it. It’s very helpful and, therefore, I would recommend it to you and formally second the Annual Report.” The Annual Report was accepted on a show of hands.

In presenting the Union’s Annual Financial Statement, Union Accountant **STEVE CONNELL** said: “Thank you, Mr President, delegates and guests. It gives me great pleasure to present to you the Financial Report on behalf of your National Executive.

“This year’s results, as can be seen from the Financial Statements contained in your Annual Report, show that the Union made total recognised losses of £160,279 compared to gains for 2014 of £240,186.

“To compare these figures, it must be noted that the gains achieved in 2014 were after the inclusion of two major one-off items of income, namely the profit of £295,112 on the sale of our Saltburn Convalescent Centre, and the sale of an investment held at our Durham Branch of

£108,991. Purely as an exercise for comparison, if you were to extract these two items from the figures, losses would have been made in 2014 of £163,917, almost identical to the losses made this year.

“It is quite apparent that, once again, the Union has had to use its reserves to cover these losses. If we look at the revenue account result in a little more detail, and combine the information contained especially in notes 3 and 5 of the Financial Statements, it can be seen that, overall, our gross profit declined from £1,951,463 in 2014 to £1,860,938 in 2015, due mainly, as you would expect, from our decline in membership and sales of affiliation cards and fees.

“Within note 3, you will see the annual fee income fell from £574,966 in 2014 to £529,492.00 this year, representing a decline of 7.9 per cent. Also, the sale of pass cards went down from £652,984 last year to £598,341, a fall of 8.4%. As these items of income alone represent over 50 per cent of the Union’s turnover, it must in itself raise serious alarm bells for the future.

“However, it is not all bad news. It is pleasing to see that our total operating expenditure fell from £2,355,791 in 2014 to £2,314,956 this year, without making any reductions to the services that we provide. Therefore, even after the expected decline in income streams, operating losses, although continuing to be extremely high worsened this year by only £49,690 to £454,018.

“As in 2014, income earned, together with the net gains made from the sale of our investments, achieved very positive results. In fact, the gains made from the Central Fund held at Head Office doubled from £106,311 to £211,471.

“This, coupled with rental income, had the effect of overturning the operating losses to achieve a profit for the year after taxation of £96,721 compared to a profit last year of £419,186. Again, for comparison purposes, if we extract the one-off items of income received in 2014, the results for last year would have been a profit of only £15,083. Looking at the results in this light, I think you would agree that, under the circumstances, a reasonable result was achieved.

“Being conscious of the financial demands on our clubs today, your National Executive agreed this year not to propose any significant increases to the fees levied at either club or to club members. However, it would be very remiss not to suggest that this

would need to be considered next year. Over the last two to three years, the Union lost three of its branches.

“Whilst it is pleasing to report there have been no further closures this year, it should be noted that several of our smaller branches are having to rely too heavily on historical reserves to survive, and this, even after the extra funding that has been allocated to branches in the last couple of years.

“Although we do not print the full revenue accounts and balance sheets of the individual branches anymore, you can see from the consolidated revenue account that, collectively, the branches made losses this year of £112,499.

“Without any anticipated increases to revenue for the next financial year, these negative results would inevitably worsen. It would seem sensible to me that those branches should start to examine, if they have not already begun, to consider the feasibility of merging together to form larger branches.

“I believe, as the number of clubs that are affiliated to these smaller branches decline, the question as to closure or merger will need to be addressed. Surely, merging branches would be a better alternative to further closures, which would have the inevitable effect of losing further clubs.

“Quite a large section of my report to you last year was devoted to the work undertaken at branch level. Although I have no intention of repeating that report, I would emphasise its importance and the need for its protection. I suppose – and this has already been said before – that, as many of you here today are either Branch Executive members, or are connected one way or another with the work undertaken at your branch, that I too am reporting to the converted.

“This is so often the case within our Union today. Getting the message across to those who don’t attend conference or, worse still, don’t attend branch council meetings, has always been, and unfortunately probably will continue to be one of the Union’s biggest, and some would say almost impossible hurdles to overcome.

“I reported last year that the Union still benefits from a healthy balance sheet, and I’m pleased to report that although there has been no growth this year, due in the main by the pension scheme actuarial loss, it is still considered to be in a good state, with total net assets showing as £6,496,563

compared to £6,659,017 in 2014. Your National Executive has continued to examine the possible benefits to our clubs and the Union as a whole from its partnerships with other organisations or national account companies.

“As many of you know, we now work with two main breweries, as opposed to just one, and it is hoped that this will offer a fairer choice to clubs in the future. As previously reported, our relationship with the providers of *Club Journal* and event management, etc, has always already proved a great success, as those delegates who took the opportunity both last year and this, to attend the Beer and Trade Show held yesterday would, I am sure, have got a good flavour for themselves.

“The hard work undertaken over the last couple of years to revise our educational services may have taken longer than originally predicted, but is nearing its conclusion, and it’s certainly hoped that these efforts will provide a much more comprehensive method of training to ensure that our clubs are managed efficiently, and I know that our General Secretary will be speaking more about this later.

“The Financial Statements that are presented to you today will also be getting quite a major facelift next year. The presentation of these accounts, which are governed by UK accounting standards, will

Union Accountant Steve Connell presented the Annual Financial Statement



see changes made after the introduction of Financial Reporting Standard 102.

“Although this came into force on 1 January 2015, it will affect the Union’s Financial Statements for the year ending 30 September 2016. I certainly don’t intend to give you chapter and verse on this rather complex standard, but I must point out one of the changes that will have a considerable effect.

“Up until now, we have always shown the

value of our investments at their original costs and, therefore, only shown their market value as a note to the accounts. This means that a revenue account is only affected when individual investments are sold at either a profit or a loss. In future, investments will need to be shown at their market value, with the full change in value from the previous year reflected in the revenue account, either as a positive or a negative figure.

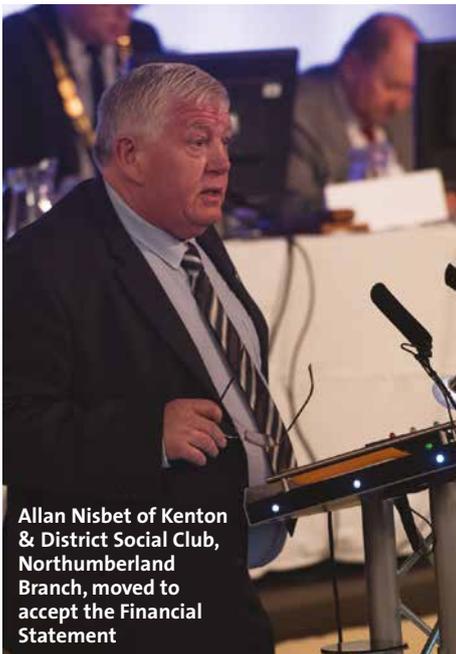


The official attendance for the 2016 Annual Meeting was 445

“I am reporting this specifically today, because when we present the Financial Statements for the year ending 30 September 2016, these statements that you are considering today for 2015 will need to be restated for comparison purposes. As for market of investments held, both at Head Office and branches at 30 September 2015, was approximately £1,000,000 more than their original cost, the necessary restatement will be significant. Of course, as the value of investments can go down as well as up, we will have to wait and see what the effect will be to our accounts for 2016.

“Regarding our investments, and for your information, I can report that your National Executive recently decided to use the services of two firms of fund managers as opposed to only one. This will enable us to better monitor their performance in managing the funds. In conclusion, Mr President, I would like to take this opportunity of thanking our auditors, BH Accountancy Limited, and Brian Howarth sitting to my right, for their expert advice and help give to us this year. Finally, I wish you every success in the future management of your clubs. Thank you, Mr President.”

**ALLAN NISBET** of Kenton & District Social Club, Northumberland Branch, moved to accept the Financial Statement. He said: “Morning, Mr President, delegates, Lord Mackenzie. Mr President, I read the Financial Report, all these losses, just going through them, where the salaries for one thing is £386,000. You’ve got Executive Committee expenses – £183,000;



Allan Nisbet of Kenton & District Social Club, Northumberland Branch, moved to accept the Financial Statement



Union General Secretary Ken D Green CMD highlighted the importance of the CIU’s Education Programme in his Address

professional fees £137,000. We’ve got the Annual Report {costing} £54,000. We’re losing money left, right and centre in the CIU.

“It’s got to stop, or the CIU will not last very long. We’ve only got £6.5 million left and we’re losing it every year. My proposal would be to move from London up to Doncaster or York somewhere where it would be cheaper; cheaper solicitors, auditors, cheaper rent. Current occupancy costs down in London are £187,000 for a year. That is a lot of money. A waste of money left, right and centre. If we don’t do something about it, ladies and gentlemen, your CIU, we can’t afford to run anymore.

“They are asking about why they’re losing clubs. As the President said, we had 4,000 in 1970. This year, we’ve only got approximately 1,500. Why are they leaving the CIU? It’s not because they’re all closing. They’re leaving the CIU because they’re getting nothing from the CIU. It’s always give, give, give but very little do we get back.

“A few years back we, as a club, needed help to buy off the brewery loan. We had to get a loan of £220,000. We paid that off in four years. The club’s thriving now because we’re moving with the times, seeing what

the young people want in life and in the clubs.

“Why couldn’t I get a loan from the CIU? I know they’re not a bank or anything, but it’s our money. I was only going to borrow off our money and pay it back, rather than pay it all in expenses back to the banks.

“If we don’t get a grip, ladies and gentlemen, your CIU won’t be here very long. We must stop it, we must have a look at these expenses. Why is it costing so much to be down in London with all these expenses? It’s your money, not mine, it’s everyone’s in the country who belongs to the CIU. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen.”

**DAN CAPEWELL** CMD, Secretary of Baddeley Green WMC, Stoke on Trent, West Midlands Branch, formally seconded the motion and the Annual Financial Statement was accepted.

**GENERAL SECRETARY KEN D GREEN** CMD proposed Motion 1 which was to change the name of the organisation from Working Men’s Club & Institute Union Limited to the Club & Institute Union Limited.

He said: “You’ve just passed the minutes of last year’s meeting and what I had to say, I said last year. I have no intention of



Stephen Foster of Easington Colliery Club, Durham Branch, spoke in favour of Motion 1

repeating myself. Less than 40 per cent of our clubs have got 'Working Men's' in the title and the biggest percentage of areas that use 'Working Men's' in club titles is South Yorkshire, where I'm from and West Yorkshire, where the President is from.

"I cannot understand any complaints when all the branches – or most of the branches – use the CIU logo. When we go into Parliament, we need to speak to parliamentarians regularly and CIU rolls off the tongue. I'd like to move that delegates vote in favour of changing the name to CIU Limited."

The Motion was seconded by **JOHN TOBIN**, Union Vice-President. He said: "I've been here {Blackpool} since Wednesday and CIU has been mentioned all the time. Using the title of the Working Men's Club in this day and age, when we have ladies in our organisation, is not correct and I feel that it deters some of the 6,000 unregistered clubs out there from joining our organisation.

"We had this discussion last year and no doubt we'll have a battle today but we're now in the year 2016 and it's time that we changed since we're known all over the country as the CIU. So, please, ladies and gentlemen, let's go for it, change it, and let's increase our membership of this Union."

Opposing the Motion, **STAN SUMMERS**, Vice-President of Durham Branch and President of Darlington WMC, said: "I've heard Ken say that, last year he got up and he didn't want to repeat what he said last year. I'm going to do the same. I said what I had to say last year, and I'm not going to repeat it. I've just listened to what John {Tobin} said this morning.

"He said everybody's talking about the CIU. The Mayor of Blackpool stood here about half an hour ago. What did he say? Working Men's Clubs. He mentioned it about five times, the Mayor, how proud he was to be a member of a Working Men's Club.

"I speak today, not as a personal point of view, I speak on behalf of my club and clubs in the Durham area, who came to me and gave me support, and told me they fully support what I have to say. They believe we should keep what we had and what we've had. The Working Men's Club is a treasure to people in Durham. When you look at the Durham Miners' Gala which takes place every year, what do they have behind the banners?

"This is what it's all about. Remembering



Stan Summers, Vice-President, Durham Branch, spoke against Motion 1

the working man. We shouldn't forget the working man for all he's done for us over the years. He's brought us all together, he's united us all. We shouldn't forget that. So, ladies and gentlemen, I'm asking you to support me and oppose the motion."

Supporting the Motion, **STEPHEN FOSTER** of Easington Colliery Club, Durham Branch, said: "Mr President, Mr Chairman and delegates. When I was a young man, I was as proud as punch to be a member of my club, like my father, like my brother. In those days, to fill the club, all you had to do was open the doors. I'm sure you all remember those good times.

"Well, times change, the law changes. society and culture changes. We all know clubs are in decline. We've had to deal with the smoking ban and other legislation, jobsworths from the Council, and relentless competition from the supermarkets whose responsibilities end at the checkout. For the previous two years, I served on the NEC and, in that capacity, it was my privilege to visit the House of Commons for meetings on clubs. I'm sure you'll agree, Mr Chairman, it is indeed a privilege to go there. In the group, there's a Baroness, a Lord and MPs from all parties who we lobby for better companies for clubs.

"In that company, you have to be seen to be politically correct to achieve any sort of concessions. Having Working Men in our name implies that we don't embrace equality. It's all about their perception of our clubs. I've been a member of our club for 40-odd years now. I've been separated for 15, I've served on the Durham Branch as Executive and, as I've mentioned, the National Executive.

"I understand the sentiments and the passions of people who want to keep the name. Stan is a colleague of mine in the Durham Branch. I understand all of that, but changing the name, it isn't going to change our heritage or history. It's certainly not going to change my memories that I have in my head.

"That's not going to change. Sometimes, delegates, you have to compromise your principles for the sake of progress. So, when the NEC goes into bat on our behalf, don't tie one hand behind their backs. I support the Motion."

Opposing the Motion, **DAVID COLES**, Secretary of Wickersley Working Men's Club, South Yorkshire Branch, said: "I'm proud of our history. I'm proud that it's

Delegates voted on two Motions during the 2016 Annual Meeting



called a Working Men's Club. It's no detriment to women. Them arguments are long gone, and nobody takes offence surely with a title like that. John Tobin said that at the dinner he was at last night – very lucky you are, Mr Tobin, we weren't there – that it was CIU, CIU, CIU. Well, I can tell you John, that them three taxis that we got in last night taking us to clubs, they said: 'Are you lads down here for the Grand National?' We said: 'No, we're here for conference'. What conference? CIU! What's CIU? Working Men's Clubs. Oh, we know what Working Men's Clubs are.

"They ain't got a clue what CIU were, but they knew what Working Men's Clubs were. Say no more. Keep your history and be proud of it. Vote against it."

Supporting the Motion, **ALAN PRESTON**, President of York City Branch and a Committee Member of Fulford Club, said:

"Fellow delegates, I would express my concerns about Motion 1, and to agree in some ways with the gentleman that's just been before me.

"Yes, these people in the taxis, like you say last night, it was the Working Men's Club, but I bet these people haven't been in a Working Men's Club for years.

"It has been a few years since ladies were allowed to become full members of the CIU which, to my opinion, is a good thing. But don't you think it's about time we recognise the achievements made by these women in our clubs? Most of the clubs these days are kept alight by our lady members, with the work that they do in their clubs. With Parliament having more lady MPs, it is hard

to get policies through. When we state Working Men's Club, it's like we're stigmatised.

"In my opinion, if we remove the title Working Men's Club we would be on equal footing with the lady MPs and, therefore, get more motions passed.

"So, delegates, you can't change the history – which I don't want to – but you certainly can change our future. So, I ask you all to forward this motion."

Opposing the Motion, **STAN NICHOLSON**, Secretary of the Cochran Street Social Club, No.9 Division, Northumberland Branch, said:

"This is the third time we've discussed this. I think it was two years ago at the Winter Gardens that we heard, I believe the lady's name was Brenda, she addressed this Conference, which I thought was one of the best addresses at Conference I've heard for a long time – for a long, long time.

"When we went back, I discussed this with the {club} Committee and they said: 'What do you think's going to happen Stan?' Well, I don't know. Possibly, possibly, our Executive will put it on the agenda again for next year.

"And, lo and behold, our Executive put it on the agenda for last year. And, lo and behold, what happened? Now, Mr President, Executive, we have told you once no. We've told you twice no. For the third time, leave our heritage alone! I vote against the Motion."

Supporting the Motion, **PAT O'BRIEN**, President of Cricklewood Trades Hall Club, North West Metropolitan Branch, said: "It seems like only yesterday – it was probably

20-odd years ago – that I first came into a club in this country, and a strange woman came up and tapped me on the shoulder, asking me would I get her a drink at the counter. I was absolutely shocked that women couldn't be served.

"Then, when I joined the club that I've just recently become President of, the fact that a lady couldn't become a full member – what absolute nonsense in this day and age. It's been said by one of the speakers against {the Motion} that the equality thing is not an issue and we've moved on from then.

"Well, why do you still have this title Working Men's Club and it just refers to one gender? We're living in the 21st Century. Changing this name is going to recognise them {women}.

"It's going to recognise the fantastic contributions that women have made to our clubs. Clubs are struggling. A lot of them would have been dead a long, long time ago if it wasn't for the contribution that our women are actually making, so please support this Motion."

**THE GENERAL SECRETARY, KEN D GREEN CMD**, responded: "Ladies and gentlemen, I've listened to the arguments for and against. Whether you know or not, I'm still the South Yorkshire Branch Secretary and I go into clubs on regular basis that are struggling, or failing one way or another.

"This Motion doesn't take anything away from anybody. It doesn't affect our heritage. Our heritage is there, it will always be there. I've got Working Men's Club in my own club's title.

"That's not going to change if we change

to CIU. We're not going to change the name of the club. I'm going into clubs {who say} we've always done it this way. We've always been like this. In fact, I was in a club a month ago, I don't know if they've got any delegates here now, I'll mention no names, but they're still running the club as though there were running it in 1975 when fivers went into the till quicker than beer came out of the pump.

"Now we have to fight for all of those fivers. All I'm saying is CIU is the title of a national Union. A national Union. We're not split into North, South, East and West. All these gentlemen on the stage come from all over the country, you all come from all over the country. North, South, East, West.

"And it's true, when we go into Parliament, there are quite a number of ladies in Parliament, they think we're still walking about with whippets and flat caps. Please support the Motion. Give us the tools and we'll do the job."

***The Motion failed to achieve the required two-thirds majority (206 For, 187 Against).***

**JOHN BATCHELOR**, Derbyshire Branch Secretary and National Executive Member for Derbyshire and Leicestershire, proposed Motion 2 – reference to the minimum annual fee to be increased from £75 to £100 per club.

He said: "On behalf of the National Executive, we propose that Rule 10, line 4 deletes £75 and insert £100 to bring it into line with the charge of 50p per member, which was increased five years ago."

Seconding the Motion was  **GEOFF BLAKELEY CMD**, Manchester Branch Secretary and National Executive Representative for Manchester, Burnley & Pendle and Cumbria.

***The Motion failed (187 For, 190 Against).***

**KEN D GREEN CMD, THE GENERAL SECRETARY'S ADDRESS**

"Good morning, ladies and gentlemen and fellow delegates. I hope you all enjoyed the Trade Fair yesterday and I'd like to thank all involved in the organisation of the event which, in my opinion, is a very important part of the weekend proceedings culminating in this, our Annual General Meeting.

"For the second year, the Dransfields CIU National Quiz Final will be held after the close of this meeting and I hope many of you will stay and support the event, and that's to be held in the Boston Suite of this

building. The NEC are elected by yourselves to represent your various areas of the country, and they are all there to advise clubs and are available throughout the year to pass on their knowledge of club land.

"I am in my second year as General Secretary and I have attempted to accept all invitations {from clubs} received whenever possible, and it is still my intention to be able to visit all our Branches, be it to Branch Executive meetings, Branch Council meetings, or even on special club presentations, whenever I can.

"Those of you who know me, know I am no shrinking violet. I would never duck sensitive issues, and well-meaning visits will be counter balanced with visits where a genuine grievance needs to be acted upon.

"The NEC formed a small working group a while ago, consisting of myself, the Vice-President John Tobin, Geoff Blakeley from Manchester, Ken Roberts from South Wales and Stephen Foster from Durham to look into our education programme.

"The work is ongoing and, along with one of our partner breweries, Carlsberg, and CPL Training, a new education programme is very close.

"In fact, we held a pilot course at CPL's Head Office in Birkenhead recently, and the feedback we've received has been very positive. We have produced manuals covering legislation and management procedures, and hope later this year to roll out an accounts package to enable us to provide a successor to the same-day programme.

"This leads me on to the main reasons the NEC believe education is an extremely vital component of the services we provide as a Union. We are still receiving claims for arbitration from Club members who feel they have not been dealt with in a fair manner. It is imperative that Club

Committees follow their rulebook to the letter, or they run the risk of having a decision overturned at arbitration and bad members being allowed back into the club.

"In the worst case scenario, Club Committees will blame the arbitrators and, therefore, the Union, when they themselves have failed to carry out the initial disciplinary in accordance with their rules.

"I cannot stress enough the need for rules to be followed and the arbitration service we provide for. Without this service, clubs could find themselves fighting to the law courts, with the inevitable costs associated with such actions being enough to close a club.

"We provide knowledgeable people to lecture on suspensions and expulsions procedures, which should be organised by your individual branches.

"Finally, if there are still clubs out there who think they have to do nothing about auto enrolment pensions, please make sure you have an appropriate scheme in place, or it will not be the lack of management skills or the lack of trade that closes your club, it will be the Government department who levies fines, with no appeal from those fines for non-compliance.

"These fines can be unlimited, but think of £100 a day, and they're not appealable. Get a scheme. Everybody's got to have a scheme.

"Thank you for listening. Let's keep all our clubs in prime condition to enable us to carry on with our quest for another 150 years."

**THE PRESIDENT** announced that the next Annual Meeting will be held on April 8, 2017 and declared the 2016 Annual Meeting closed.

***The total number of delegates at the Annual Meeting was 445 with eight guests.***



**The official Tellers counted up the votes during the Annual Meeting**

# 25TH BEER & TRADES EXHIBITION

The 25th CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition at the Norbreck Castle Hotel in Blackpool on Friday April 8 was a fantastic day of club-related business activity which saw hundreds of delegates in attendance

The 25th CIU Beer & Trades Exhibition, held at Blackpool's Norbreck Castle Hotel on April 8, proved to be another fantastic Union occasion with hundreds of club members from all over the country enjoying a busy day of club-related business activity.

Delegates had the priceless opportunity to tap into a vast reservoir of knowledge courtesy of the representatives from many of the country's top suppliers of products and services to clubs who were exhibiting.

Whether it was trying out the latest drinks from the Union's Preferred Suppliers Carlsberg UK and Heineken UK, gaining an insight into cutting edge gaming technology with Dransfields, discovering on the BT Stand how showing live sport can help to boost business, finding out how to cut your club's energy expenditure with Smart Energy, assessing your club's insurance needs with Aon – plus having the opportunity to chat with a host of other club suppliers – there was a wealth of information available throughout the show.

Delegates also took part in some fun games - including regular bingo sessions run by Dransfields.

Union Vice-President John Tobin said: "The CIU should be very proud of itself for putting on a show of such breadth and quality. I'm delighted that so many club members from all over the UK came along and supported the show and I'm also very grateful to all our exhibitors.

"Planning for next year's event – on Friday, April 7, 2017 – is already underway so I'd urge all club men and women to make a note of the date now!"



Union Vice-President John Tobin (left) with Heineken UK National Account Manager Graeme Mitchell



John Tobin (centre) with Dransfields Operations Director Alan Jackson (left) and Managing Director Chris Haley



Delegates had the chance to 'play their cards right' and win prizes on the Dransfields stand



The Head Office team had a busy afternoon on the CIU stand



Left to right: Andy Kitchener of Aon and John Tobin



Delegates took part in bingo sessions throughout the Trade Show, courtesy of Dransfields, with some great prizes for the winners



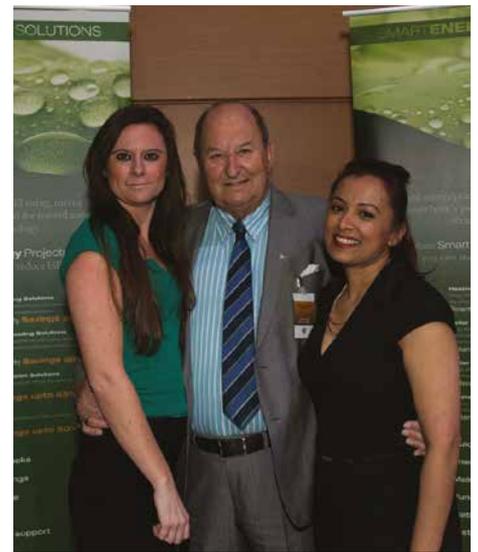
A delegate tries out his footballing skills on the BT Sport stand



John Tobin (centre) with Graeme (left) and Josh Miller (right) of Ace Furniture



Union Vice-President John Tobin (left) with Carlsberg Sales Director Simon Buxton



John Tobin (centre) with Amy Alvarez (left) and Baly Sheil of Smart Energy Projects



John Tobin (right) and former England and Nottingham Forest player Trevor Francis on the BT Sport stand

**EXHIBITORS**

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| AON           | Co-op Bank                |
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**MEMBERS' CORNER**

Informative articles which affect our life  
by Dione Mobley

One of the things I always love about this time of year is the start of the local 'car boot sales'. This is always a great way to make extra money from the stuff you no longer want or need and it is a great way to clear out clutter which can turn out to be another person's treasure.

It is definitely worth setting your alarm clock for an early start on the weekend, because according to the experts some of the best bargains always go first or at the end of the day when the sellers want to get rid of their wares rather than having to pack them up and take them back home.

You can always find information on-line about what trends are turning into today's high-value, collectable bits and pieces. There are plenty of bargains to be found all over the country where people sometimes will not realise the true value of what they are selling.

Often sellers will put the most

obvious items or things they like on a table or stand and the rest gets lost on the floor. Here you may find hidden treasure in old gold or brass items. Smaller treasures can sometimes be found hidden in cardboard boxes jumbled in with a mixture of things people just genuinely want to throw out.

According to the experts, when it comes to ceramics look out for well known names like Poole, Denby and Hornsea. Remember those 1960s coffee sets? They have all become very collectable along with West German lava pottery and bubble glass. Furniture and pottery from the 1970s and 1980s are also making their way back in style and becoming very collectable.

If you see something you really like and you feel the seller may be asking too much, make them an offer because sellers are often open to negotiations over price. Anything goes at a boot sale. If you have an idea what you are looking for, you can certainly find cut-price bargains if you look carefully.

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- 1 All sorcerers to be taken for ridest! (6-8)
- 8 As important as a fairground attraction? (3,5)
- 9 Hi - from Heinrich! Will improve generally... (6)
- 10 Jeer from insect grows into bageyman. (7)
- 13 Compassionate type... (4)
- 14 Encores taken to any number of film sites. (2-6)
- 16 No loopholes in this old warship! (8)
- 17 At which state the drillers can rest. (4)
- 19 Loam did need forking over for the spinster. (3,4)

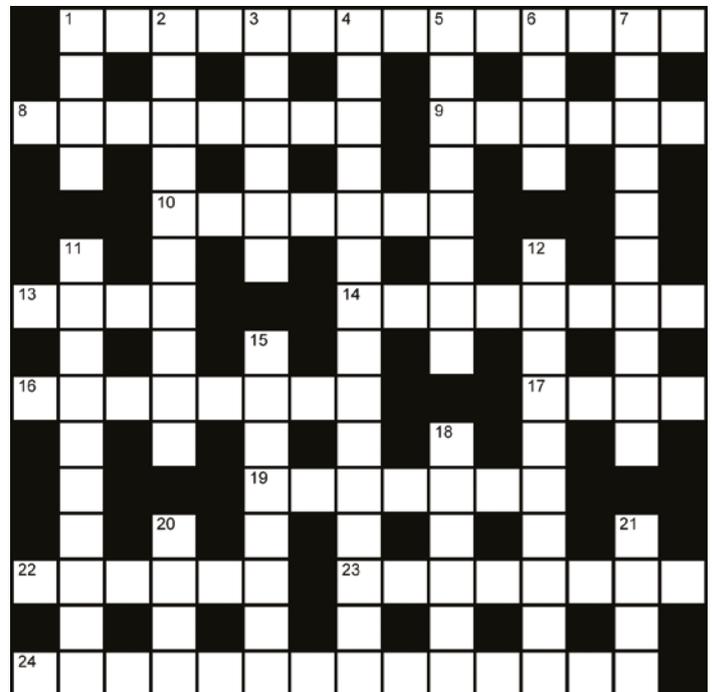
- 22 Decor, on a budget, gives you a halo. (6)
- 23 Pipe they fashion out of air plant. (8)
- 24 Idolised the revolting, horrid peep-show. (4-10)

- 7 Pay back with small change to finish with? (10)
- 11 Tiny mobile has a sound pickup. (10)
- 12 "Give Fred his pin codes," pals state. (10)
- 15 Adore old designs of dreamland. (8)
- 18 American elk made to wait around circle ratio. (6)
- 20 Double act - a dead index. (4)
- 21 Boss - good for the sole? (4)

**DOWN**

- 1 One who lies up the track. (4)
- 2 Citizen type in bid to win gala-tricky! (3-7)
- 3 Come out of a virtual join? (6-11)
- 4 Lizard's heartless quality? (4-11)
- 5 Sick home said to be a pub. (3-5)
- 6 Rant about high water. (4)

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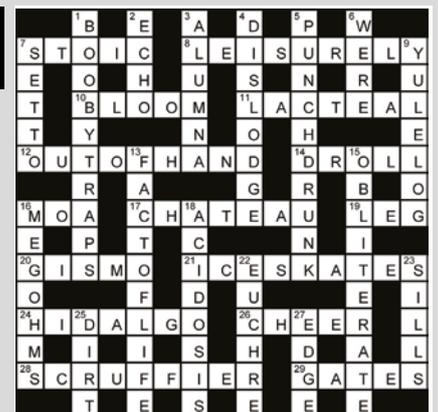


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**CROSSWORD SOLUTION**

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

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- Muriel McArdle of Trades Hall SC Worthington





Saturday May 7, 5.30pm – Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Barclays Premier League: Leicester City v Everton**  
 Leicester City will want to keep the fairytale unfolding right until the very end of the season as they continue to astonish all the pundits with their potent mix of team spirit, tactical excellence and individual skill. Can the Foxes make history this month?



Saturday May 21, 4.45pm – BT Sport  
**The FA Cup Final**

Few occasions occupy such a key position in British sporting culture and this season's showpiece domestic event should be no exception. Many big names have bitten the dust on the way to Wembley, not least 2015 winners Arsenal, who crashed out in the quarter-finals.

# SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS

*Club Journal* looks ahead to some of the key sporting fixtures coming up in May, including action from the Barclays Premier League, UEFA Champions League, Super League and Premier League Darts

Wednesday May 4  
 7.45pm  
 BT Sport

**UEFA Champions League:  
 Semi-Final, 2nd Leg – Real  
 Madrid v Manchester City**

Thursday May 5  
 7pm  
 Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Premier League Darts**

Saturday May 7  
 12.30pm  
 Channel 4  
**Horse Racing: Ascot,  
 Lingfield and Haydock Park**

Saturday May 7  
 5.30pm  
 Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Barclays Premier League:  
 Leicester City v Everton**

Sunday May 8  
 1.30pm  
 Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Barclays Premier League:  
 Tottenham Hotspur v  
 Southampton**

Sunday May 8  
 4pm

Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Barclays Premier League:  
 Manchester City v Arsenal**

Tuesday May 10  
 7.45pm  
 Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Barclays Premier League:  
 West Ham v Manchester  
 United**

Wednesday May 11  
 12.30pm  
 Channel 4  
**Horse Racing: York**

Wednesday May 11  
 8pm  
 Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Barclays Premier League:  
 Liverpool v Chelsea**

Thursday May 12  
 7pm  
 Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Premier League Darts**

Thursday May 12  
 8pm  
 Sky Sports 3 HD  
**Super League:  
 Leeds Rhinos v Castleford  
 Tigers**

**UEFA Champions  
 League Final: BT  
 Sport, Saturday,  
 May 28**



Friday May 13  
 8pm  
 Sky Sports 3 HD  
**Super League:  
 Wigan Warriors v Hull FC**

Saturday May 14  
 5.45pm  
 BT Sport  
**Rugby Union: European  
 Champions Cup Final**

Saturday May 14  
 6pm  
 Sky Sports 3 HD

**Super League:  
 Catalans Dragons v  
 Huddersfield Giants**

Sunday May 15  
 1pm  
 Sky Sports F1 HD  
**F1: Spanish Grand Prix**

Sunday May 15  
 3pm  
 Sky Sports 3 HD  
**Super League:  
 Wakefield Wildcats v  
 Warrington Wolves**



Saturday May 28, 7.45pm – BT Sport  
**UEFA Champions League Final**

One of the world's most majestic sporting cathedrals, the San Siro in Milan, is the fitting venue for this epic European event. This is the fourth European Cup/Champions League Final hosted at the stadium following previous finals in 1965, 1970 and 2001.

Wednesday May 18  
 7.45pm  
 BT Sport  
**UEFA Europa League: Final**

Thursday May 19  
 11am  
 Sky Sports 2 HD  
**Test Cricket: England v Sri Lanka**

Thursday May 19  
 7pm  
 Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Premier League Darts**

Friday May 20  
 7.15pm  
 Sky Sports 2 HD  
**English Domestic Natwest T20 Blast: Essex v Surrey**

Saturday May 21  
 12.30pm  
 Channel 4  
**Horse Racing: Haydock Park**

Saturday May 21  
 4.45pm  
 Sky Sports 3 HD  
**Super League: Warrington Wolves v Castleford Tigers**

Saturday May 21  
 5.30pm  
 BT Sport  
**Football: FA Cup Final**

Saturday May 21  
 TBC  
 Sky Sports  
**Football: William Hill Scottish FA Cup Final**

Saturday May 21  
 7pm  
 Sky Sports 3 HD  
**Super League: Leeds Rhinos v Wigan Warriors**

Saturday May 21  
 8pm  
 Sky Sports 5 HD  
**Greyhound Racing: William Hill Greyhound Derby - Round 3**

Sunday May 22  
 3.15pm  
 Sky Sports 1 HD  
**Super League: St Helens v Huddersfield Giants**

Saturday May 28  
 5pm  
 Sky Sports  
**Sky Bet Championship Play-Off Final**

Saturday May 28  
 7.45pm  
 BT Sport  
**UEFA Champions League: Final**

# CIU Sport/Games

## CIU National Team Snooker Championship

The CIU National Team Snooker Championship semi-final, supported by John Smith's, was held on Saturday March 26 at Fulfordgate Club, York City Branch.

It was an exciting day with some superb snooker played to an extremely high standard. Club President Paul Stewart welcomed the Buffs Social Cub (Durham Branch) and Selly Oak Ex Servicemen's Club (West Midlands Branch), Match Referee Steve Starkie, Marker John Rhodes and supporters from Durham who attended the match (apologies had been received at the Branch from the Selly Oak supporters who were unable to make the journey).

Alan Preston, Branch President of York City Branch, and Frank Healy, Branch Secretary, were also present.

The match was played on a best-of-seven frames basis and there was never more than one frame between the teams, with every frame being required to separate two really great teams.

Of the seven frames, five had breaks of 50 or above, with the Selly Oak captain, Jamie Brown, having to respond to a deficit of 38 with a highest break and clearance to blue of 79 to tie the match at 3-3 and force the deciding frame.

The final frame proved to be another excellent, but much more tactical one, before Michael Rhodes, of Buffs Social, gained an advantage and although Jamie Brown played some marvellous snooker, he missed a vital brown and Michael took full advantage to clinch the frame and match for the Buffs Social players. In the other semi-final, held at Dan y Graig Labour Club, Bargoed Labour Club beat Merthyr Labour Club 4-3.

The CIU Team Snooker Final will be held on Saturday May 28 at Doncaster Trades & Labour Club, between Buffs Social Club (Durham Branch) and Bargoed Labour Club (South Wales Branch).

## CIU National Team Pool Championship

The CIU National Team Pool Championship semi-final was held on April 2 at Swindon High Street Club between Broadwater WM Club (South East Met Branch) and Bargoed Labour Club (South Wales Branch). Bargoed Labour Club won 5-3.

The other semi-final was held at Belle Vue (Crook) Club between Pellon Social Club (West Yorkshire Branch) and Bannockburn Miners Club (Cumbria Branch). Bannockburn Miners Club won 5-2.

## CIU National Team Darts Championship

The CIU National Team Darts Championship semi-final was held on March 12 at the Wroughton Club between Broadwater WMC and Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club. Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club won 4-3.

The Final will be held on May 14 at Bloomfield Club & Institute in Blackpool and will see Merthyr Tydfil Labour Club (South Wales Branch) taking on Bannockburn Miners Club (Cumbria Branch).

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