



# California Social Club Ltd

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Hi everyone,

Well, here we go with my last newsletter as I am retiring from the position of Social Secretary from 31st December 2024. But enough about me! I would like to thank our members for the support you have shown on Saturday nights for our live entertainment; this has proved to be well attended events and hopefully will continue to be so. Just a little word of advice, we recommend you arrive early on a Saturday Night to assure you get a seat.

December's entertainment is looking very good, as you can see below!

*Pete Loweman*  
**Social Secretary**

*The staff and committee would like to thank Pete for all his hard work as Social Secretary and wish him all the best for his retirement. He will be missed! We hope to see you at the club enjoying yourself in the future Pete! From all the staff and committee—thank you and Merry Christmas!*

## Dates to Remember

**January**  
Sun 5th  
Fulham –v– Ipswich  
KO 2pm

Sun 19th  
Ipswich –V– Man City  
KO 4.30pm

**February**  
Sat 8th  
Valentines Party



**Bingo every Friday night in the Hall**  
Books on sale  
**7.30pm—8.15pm**  
**Eyes down at 8.30pm**  
Everyone's welcome!

6th Dec—Bingo starts early  
27th Dec—Sorry, no bingo

## ENTERTAINMENT

### December

Fri 6th	<b>*Lounge Closed* (eve) Ravens FC Xmas Party</b>	
Fri 6th	Xmas Draw (after bingo) Bingo will start early on this night, eyes down at 8pm ish.	
Sat 7th	Stepback Duo	Mixture
Sat 14th	Children's Xmas Party with Magic Olly & Party Games 2-5pm	
Sat 14th	Mr H	SKA
Sat 21st	Andy Ottley	Elvis
Mon 23rd	<b>*Club closed evening*</b>	
Xmas Eve	In-house Disco 7.00pm—10.30pm	
Fri 27th	Arsenal –v– Ipswich shown in club	KO 8pm
Sat 28th	<b>*Hall Closed*</b>	
NYE	Ches's Disco & Light Show 7pm—1am (Ticket event)	

### January

Sat 4th	Colourblind Hedgehogs	Rock
Sat 11th	Soul Bags <b>**New**</b>	Soul
Sat 18th	Rude & Reckless	Ska
Sat 25th	The Glamastics	70's



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## Christmas Bar Serving Times



December	Last Orders	Time at Bar	Club Closes
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> (Xmas Eve)	10.50pm	11.00pm	11.20pm
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> (Xmas day)	2.20pm	2.30pm	2.50pm
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> (Boxing day)	3.20pm	3.30pm	3.50pm
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.50pm	11.00pm	11.20pm
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	11.20pm	11.30pm	11.50pm <b>Hall Closed</b>
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	7.50pm	8.00pm	8.20pm
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	2.20pm	2.30pm	2.50pm
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> (New Year's Eve)	12.50pm	1.00am	1.20am



**These hours are subject to change and at the discretion of the bar staff**

### CALIFORNIA SOCIAL CLUB

## CHARITY POKER TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER

# £20 BUY-IN

## 20K STARTING STACK

ARRIVAL FROM 12:00 FOR 12:30 START  
1 REBUY DURING FIRST HOUR OF PLAY  
MEMBERS ONLY PLUS 1 GUEST  
MAX 50 PLAYERS  
FOOD VAN AND RAFFLE DURING BREAK  
REGISTRATION/PAYMENT CAN BE MADE BEHIND BAR  
OR DURING TUESDAYS GAME  
NO BUY-INS ON DAY  
NO SHOWS WILL HAVE BUY-IN DONATED TO CHARITY

Arsenal
 V
 Ipswich Town FC
 

Friday, 27th December  
KO 8.00pm  
Match will be shown in the club  
Sorry bingo is cancelled this evening

## Christmas has arrived at the Club!

Thanks once again to Tina Bignell for decorating the tree, it looks beautiful, as usual.

Midge, Del, Ann, Anne, Kate, Pete and Julie have been busy putting the Christmas decorations up. The club is looking very festive!

## CLOTHES BANK

If you should receive any of the items listed below for Christmas and have old ones that are no longer needed, please remember that we are happy to take them in the clothes bank. This raises much needed funds for the Club, as well as for an animal charity.

Clothes	Paired Shoes	Blankets	Handbags	Towels
Video games	Books	Bric-a-brac	Belts	CD's/DVD's

That's Entertainment @



## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE 2024



Raffle tickets are on sale for £1 per strip. Tickets on sale in the bar Monday – Thursday In the hall on Friday & Saturday nights

**Friday 6th December after Bingo**  
**Bingo starts earlier, at 7.45pm**

We have some great prizes for our draw, such as



Don't miss out!!

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**Saturday 14th December 2024**

**2PM TILL 5PM**  
**BUFFET + A VISIT FROM A SPECIAL PERSON AND A PRESENT**

## CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY WITH MAGIC OLLY



**Members Children: £5.00**

New Years Eve @ the Cali Club



TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE FOR MEMBERS ONLY UNTIL 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER

£6.00 per Member  
£3.00 per member's child  
Limited number of children's tickets are available  
**ONCE THEY'RE GONE THEY'RE GONE**

GUESTS TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER

£10.00 per Adult  
£5.00 per child  
**ONCE THEY'RE GONE THEY'RE GONE**

## CHES' DISCO AND LIGHTSHOW

TICKETS ON SALE FROM THE BAR SUN – THURS AND THE HALL FRI - SAT



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We are affiliated with the CIU (Clubs and Institute Union). We operate by their rules.

If you'd like to be a CIU member, you pay £5 for an affiliation card, which you keep—it is a one off payment. You then pay £4 each year for a year card. This is on top of your normal club renewal of £25 per year (From April 2025).

For this, you are entitled to go to any CIU affiliated club around the UK and enjoy the benefits offered to that club's members.

Lists of affiliated clubs can be found on the CIU web page. [www.wmciu.org.uk](http://www.wmciu.org.uk). We are listed under the North East Metropolitan section

We now have the 2025 year cards available at the bar. Please show your affiliation card in order to purchase one. The cost is £4.



**Disabled Toilet & Baby Changing**—It has taken over a year of planning and fundraising, but we are well on the way to having a new disabled toilet and baby changing facilities. Not only will this provide well needed facilities in the club, but it will also mean that the Bowls Club will have toilet facilities to use when the club is closed. Thanks to everyone who helped us to raise funds.

**Driveway**—After a year of looking less than it's best, the front of the club is now being tidied up. Thanks to Alleley's Haulage for organising this for us. **Parking in front of the club is for staff only.** However, we will have two disabled parking spaces in front of the bar windows. **These are for blue badge holders only (blue badge to be displayed)** and anyone parking there should park side on to the fence to leave plenty of room for emergency vehicles to pass if required. No cars to be double parked in front of the club. Apologies for the disruption caused whilst the work is being carried out.

-  California Bowls Club—please contact Mr. Stuart Walsh for information.
-  California A & B Dart Teams play Mondays and Tuesdays in the hall & lounge.
-  Snooker—call the bar to book the table!
-  Poker is played in the hall on Tuesday nights.

For more information on the above, please speak to the bar staff.



### The following food will be served in the car park

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>7th December</b>	<b>CraveNpizzas</b>	<b>Freshly made Pizzas</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8th December</b>	<b>The Italian Food Truck (2.30pm)</b>	<b>Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chips</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>14th December</b>	<b>Little Red Catering</b>	<b>Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chips</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>21st December</b>	<b>Curried Goat</b>	<b>Caribbean Food</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>24th December</b>	<b>The Italian Food Truck</b>	<b>Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chips</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>28th December</b>	<b>Hall Closed</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>31st December</b>	<b>No Food van—Members bring their own</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4th January</b>	<b>Little Red Catering</b>	<b>Burgers, Sausages, Chips</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11th January</b>	<b>The Italian Food Truck</b>	<b>Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chips</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>18th January</b>	<b>Little Red Catering</b>	<b>Burgers, Sausages, Chips</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>25th January</b>	<b>The Italian Food Truck</b>	<b>Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chips</b>

We are always on the look out for different types of food vans and have contacted (or have booked) just about every one in Suffolk (and a bit further afield) so we don't intentionally have burger vans every week, it just depends on who is available at that time.

## The Bowls Club had it's 63rd Annual Dinner & Prize Evening



Once again, this was a fantastic night and great fun was had by all.

Ian Page had everyone in hysterics with his Elvis tribute and the three course meal provided by JLS Catering was delicious. Singer, Emma Dotty, did a good job of getting people on the dance floor.



Well done to all the prize winners and thanks to all the Competition sponsors—and the Club Sponsor, Robert Brow from Camel Sand and Gravel.



## Ravens Football Club December Fixtures

Sunday 8th December against Holbrook Hornets at Kesgrave High School  
KO at 10.30am - League game

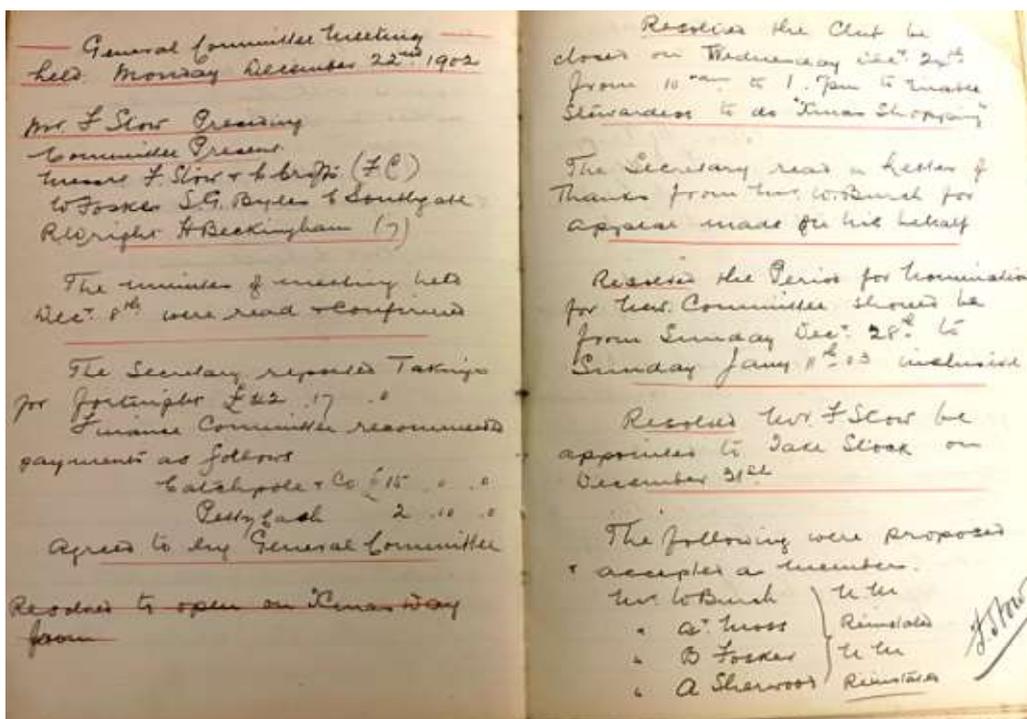
Sunday 15th December against Playford at Kesgrave High School  
KO at 10.30am - Junior Cup game

On behalf of Ravens FC, we would like to thank the committee, staff and members for their support throughout this year.

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all!

The lounge will be closed on the evening of Friday 6th December for the Ravens' Xmas Party

## A Little Nostalgia! Here is a copy of the Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held at the club on Monday, 22nd December 1902!





## Christmas Shopping Trip Lakeside Shopping Centre

On Sunday 1st December, 29 members and guests went to Lakeside Shopping Centre and had a fabulous time Christmas Shopping and having lunch.

Along with more traditional decorations, there was a rather unusual decoration hanging from the ceiling.

We have already had a lot of very positive feedback telling us that it was good value and well organised.

We hope to run this trip again next year and really appreciate those who support it.



### Polite Reminder

Nobody should go behind the bar (including the lounge and the hall bars) without first asking the permission of the bar staff please.

### Used Christmas Decorations Sale

The club has had a clearout of the Christmas Storage Room and we found that we have a lot more trees and decorations than we need (and a lack of storage space).

There are also some other items that are not Christmas related.

We are holding a table top sale (no set prices, just donations) in the lounge on Tuesday 17th December at 7pm. Come along and get yourself some decorations and stop for a drink too.

The staff and committee wish all our members a....



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