

OCTOBER 25



THE ST JAMES'S CLUB

CLUB NEWS

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We have held several successful events this year to celebrate our bicentennial, but this one will be special; this black-tie formal dinner is being held in the Club and kicks off with a champagne reception. Head Chef Rod has curated a beautiful five-course menu to tantalise the taste buds, and although the Club President and Chairman will be expected to speak at some point in the evening, your ears will be charmed by some fantastic live music.

It promises to be a night to remember. Sadly, places are strictly limited by capacity issues in the Bridgewater Suite, but we hope that both new and old members will enjoy this fantastic occasion as we reach the back end of our celebratory year. Attendees will enjoy all the finest attributes of Club life, fine wine, excellent food and service, camaraderie, cherished traditions and of course the chance to make new memories together in your home from home.

Here's to 200 years of excellence, legacy, and the unwavering spirit of our Club!

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AGM

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is approaching, bringing forth crucial discussions and decisions that require the participation of both new and long-standing Members. For those seasoned in our community, the AGM holds significant importance, serving as a pivotal moment to reflect on the Club's past year's performance and deliberate on future strategies.

During this event, Members have the unique opportunity to engage with the Club's direction, question the committee and officers, propose changes to the Club's rules, and partake in the election of a new committee for the upcoming year. It is highly encouraged that all available Members join this gathering to contribute their perspectives.

Following the AGM, a light supper will be provided, offering a casual setting for Members to further discuss the meeting's outcomes and share their viewpoints. The strength of our Club lies within its membership, and it is paramount that every Member has the platform to express their thoughts, making the AGM a valuable forum for such interactions.

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, October 22nd, for this significant event. Attendance is free, but RSVP with Lynn to secure your slot and indicate your interest in staying for the complimentary supper. Your presence and participation are integral to shaping the future of our Club.



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And the Club will certainly be this haven for lovers of Port. Fellow Member George Bergier, a seasoned professional with a rich background in the wine and spirits industry, orchestrated a memorable trip to Porto earlier this year for a group of Members. The excursion not only offered a delightful experience exploring Porto but also provided valuable insights into the world of Port, courtesy of local producers and George himself.

Beyond his impressive career trajectory marked by prestigious roles, George's expertise shines through years of dedicated service. With a notable 25-year tenure as the Chairman of the Guild of Sommeliers in Manchester, he currently serves as the Consul of L'Ordre des Coteaux de Champagne. Additionally, George's contributions have earned him a coveted spot in Harper's Wine's Top 50 list, recognising global trailblazers in the realm of beverage curation.

For aficionados of fine Port, this event on Thursday 23rd, curated by George, presents an unparalleled opportunity not to be overlooked. Join us for an exclusive experience that promises to elevate your appreciation for this distinguished drink.



Get ready for a spooky wine tasting event at the Club! On Thursday 30th, Tony, invites you to ditch the tricks and treats, keep the candy, and indulge in an evening of wine-filled delights. While dressing up in your spookiest attire is optional, it adds to the fun atmosphere. Members and their guests can join in the excitement of choosing the perfect wine potion.

Our Head Chef, Rod, has risen to the challenge once again, expertly pairing our selected wines with delectable small plates, all with a spooky twist for this month's theme. It promises to be an evening full of intrigue and enjoyment. Why not treat a friend or colleague to this unique experience of wine, culinary delights, and knowledge? It's an opportunity for an entertaining and enriching evening. Let's raise a glass to a night of mystery and flavour!

LET THE CLUB TAKE THE STRESS OUT OF ORGANISING YOUR CHRISTMAS PARTY

Struggling with organising a family or work Christmas party? Let the Club ease your burden by helping with your party planning needs. Our venue offers a beautiful, private, and secure setting, coupled with top-notch service and a variety of lunching/dining options. Michael, our General Manager, and Head Chef Rod have curated a new selection of Traditional Christmas and Buffet menus for Members and their guests to savour. Whether you opt for one of these delightful options or prefer a customised menu, our Club's management is here to cater to your specific requirements and budget.

We have taken quite a few private bookings, but we still have some available dates. If you're interested in exploring potential dates, discussing budgets, or selecting menus, feel free to reach out to Michael at manager@stjc.org.uk. Let us make your Christmas celebration a memorable and stress-free experience!

SOCIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

Lunching every day 12.30-2pm
Evening & Private Dining can be made by arrangement of the Manager.

OCTOBER

Tuesday 14th Property Lunch - 12.30 - 1pm

Friday 17th Trafalgar Day Luncheon - 12.30 - 1pm

Monday 20th Retired Members Lunch - 12.30 - 1pm

Wednesday 22nd Club AGM & Supper - 6.15pm

Thursday 23rd Port Tasting Evening - 7 - 7.30pm

Tuesday 28th Associate Members Luncheon - 12.30 - 1pm

Thursday 30th "Halloween" Wine Tasting Supper - 7 - 7.30pm

NOVEMBER

Monday 3rd Retired Members Lunch - 12.30 - 1pm

Friday 7th 200th Anniversary Black Tie Dinner - 7 - 7.30pm

Tuesday 11th Property Lunch - 12.30 - 1pm

Thursday 13th Whisky Tasting - 7 - 7.30pm

Monday 17th Retired Members Lunch - 12.30 - 1pm

Wednesday 19th Champagne Evening - 7 - 7.30pm

Tuesday 25th Associate Members Luncheon - 12.30 - 1pm

Friday 28th Christmas Wine Tasting Supper - 7 - 7.30pm

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