



# CLUB NEWS

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## Review of 2021

### Looking forward to the New Year

AGM, EGM's Property & Media & Tech lunches, Gourmet Lunches, Trafalgar Day, Russian and Norwegian Dinners, Retired & Life Members lunches, Chairman's, and New Members dinners as well as the ever-popular wine tastings along with new events such as Jazz Appreciation, Whisky Tasting and Sporting Dinners have ensured that our members have had a wide variety of events to enjoy and entertain friends and guests this year. And it is hoped to add a few more events in 2022.

Only with the help of its members can the Club hope to run such a fantastic social events programme. Each event needs careful organising to ensure its success, whether its speciality ingredients for the menu or musicians for entertainment. Our management team of Michael Naylor and Luke Fletcher work with the organisers to ensure the events not only runs smoothly but all support that is required is available. In 2022, alongside the traditional business and social events, it is hoped to run Club will offer a Caribbean night, a couple of Sporting Dinners, a Stars in their Eyes event along with a Members Horse Race Meeting visit; to name just a few. If any Member though would like to help with any of these events or perhaps organise their own, the social event organisers would ask they contact the Club; any help is always very much appreciated.



## THE FESTIVE EVENTS

Many of us perhaps feared a repeat of 2020 early this year but we have finally reached December and the Club has a fantastic program of events to entertain Members and their guests.

The events kick off with the ever-popular carol service and this year the Club is holding three Christmas dining events. Members will be able to enjoy a fantastic Christmas dinner with friends and family on **Thursday 9th** or chose the luncheon on **Friday 17th** where the Cathedral Choir have kindly agreed to entertain the diner's post lunch. The final event of the festive period is the very popular Members only Christmas luncheon. Always an extremely popular event, it offers a chance for Members to catch up with old friends and of course make new acquaintances. And with 70+ new Members joining the Club in 2021 there are certain to be a good number of new faces in attendance.



# Property Lunch

The December property lunch, on **Tuesday 14th**, will feature fellow Member, Founder & CEO of DeTrafford Gary Jackson. Gary's address is entitled "Smart cities and future living" and will be the last address of the year in what has been a very entertaining and useful series in 2021. A broad range of topics have been covered and Gary certainly will finish it off in his own unique style, perhaps with a little hint of Christmas.

**It is certain to be a very popular event so Members are requested to book places for themselves and their guests asap. To do this please contact Luke on [info@stjc.org.uk](mailto:info@stjc.org.uk) advising him on any specific dietary requirements.**



## MANCHESTER'S FINEST PRIVATE DINING FACILITY



Very few, if any Manchester venues can offer their guests the superb facilities, service, and location that the St James's Club Membership enjoy. So, whether you are entertaining clients, colleagues, friends, family, or fellow Members the Club can bring groups together in a convivial and private environment that will certainly enhance you and your guests dining experience. The Club's staff has vast experience in the organisation of private events. GM Michael Naylor and Head Chef Steven Wright can help with the arrangements, whether you wish to offer your guests a buffet, set luncheon or dinner or a special and unique menu.

**It has been a tough year so why not indulge yourself and host a lunch/dinner in your Club for your business or family/friends; it is one of your privileges.**

## The Club Carol Services

Many Members would have had this event marked in their diaries for months. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic the Club was unable to hold a Service at St Ann's. The Club is very fortunate being the only organisation given permission to hold their own service. Many Members have already booked onto the event which takes place on **Tuesday 7th December**, and some have invited friends and family. Attendees are requested to arrive at the church between 6.30 and 6.45 for a 7pm start, the service is then followed by a supper at the Club. To help with catering Members are requested to book their places with Luke at [info@stjc.org.uk](mailto:info@stjc.org.uk). The cost is £30 which includes the supper and welcome drink.

## THE EGM NEXT STEPS

It is an exciting time for the Club and the Strategy Committee would like to thank the Members for their comments, questions and support during the initial phase of the project investigating the future of our Club. At the EGM on 17th November, two resolutions were voted on and unanimously passed, these instructed the Strategy committee to proceed to the next stage; the compiling of a feasibility study. It is planned that the strategy Committee will update the Membership on a regular basis on what has now been named, project Tricenti.

**The feasibility study with all its finding will be presented at an EGM to the Members on Wednesday 18th May.**

*Let the Club take the stress  
out of organising your  
**Christmas Party***

Organising a family or work Christmas party can not only be very difficult but also very stressful. So, why not allow the Club to assist you in your party planning. Not only it a beautiful, safe and secure venue, you know the high quality of its service and lunching/dining options. To assist you in your task, Michael our General manager and Head Chef Steven have designed a new range of Traditional Christmas and Buffet menus for Members and their guests to select from and enjoy. So, whether you wish to select from one of these fantastic options or perhaps create your own bespoke menu the Club's management can assist you with your specific requirements or budget.

**Although December can be very busy there are a few dates still available. If you wish to discuss potential dates, budgets and menus please contact Michael on [manager@stjc.org.uk](mailto:manager@stjc.org.uk).**



*Members  
Information*

**The Committee are delighted to have elected to Membership;**

Mr Joseph Michael Chen, Mr Robert Nugent,  
Mr Michael Grebe, Mr Andrew Simon Baker, Monika Sak  
and Associate Member Mrs Julie Marsland

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**SOCIAL EVENTS  
CALENDAR**

Lunching every day  
12.30-2pm

Evening & Private Dining  
Can be made by arrangement  
of the Manager

**DECEMBER**

**Retired Members Lunch**

Monday 6th  
12.30-1pm

**Christmas Carol  
Service & Supper**

Tuesday 7th  
6.30pm

**Members & Guest  
Christmas Dinner**

Thursday 9th  
6.30-7pm

**Property Lunch**

Tuesday 14th  
12.30-1pm

**Members & Guests  
Christmas Lunch  
(Cathedral Choir)**

Friday 17th  
12.30-1pm

**Retired Members Lunch**

Monday 20th  
12.30-1pm

**Associate Members Lunch**

Tuesday 21st  
12.30-1pm

**Members Only Christmas  
Lunch**

Wednesday 22nd  
12.30-1pm

**NYE Cocktail & Supper**

Friday 31st  
6.30pm



Don't forget to follow the Club on Twitter or join the WhatsApp Social Group!

