

Joy to the World-Cup

Wow its almost Christmas yet again, and here we are with our bumper festive edition of our CII update. It's been a busy and exciting year for the council, as we've started to unleash the COVID shackles and meeting face to face with our awesome members has been brilliant, but maybe not so the hangovers

In terms of the Insurance and Financial Market, I think the term strange times is a fair summary, for someone who has been in the sector for 25 years I can honestly say I've never; know such a testing environment with inflation, covid recovery and of course the conflict in Ukraine which are having such a profound impact here in the UK. This I'm sure will see customer behavior changes and it's important that we use our platform as CII member to ensure we are considerate and representing of both our industry and customers alike.

For me personally it's been a testing time at work and home, with a lot of things having to be juggled and it has shown. The Council has been a safe haven for me, like minded individuals who I can call friends and reach out to for a chat, something which when signing up to the council I didn't think would be an option. It really brings home that our core council team feels like family, we celebrate together and of course, recognize when things don't go to plan by being here for each other.

In terms of this edition, I'm looking forward to looking back at what we achieved since our last update and what we can look forward to in 2023

So, before we hear from Jack, as always, any comments or feedback you would like to see in future editions would be awesome,

We hope you enjoy the read

James



Presidents Update

Time appears to be flying by and I can't quite believe I am already halfway through my tenure as president of the IIL, and at this point I feel it is prudent to reflect on the great work the Institute has done to date. We have hosted topical CPD events with many more in the pipeline for 2023. We have hosted 2 exam revision courses which were well attended and will be seeking to host more in the new year.

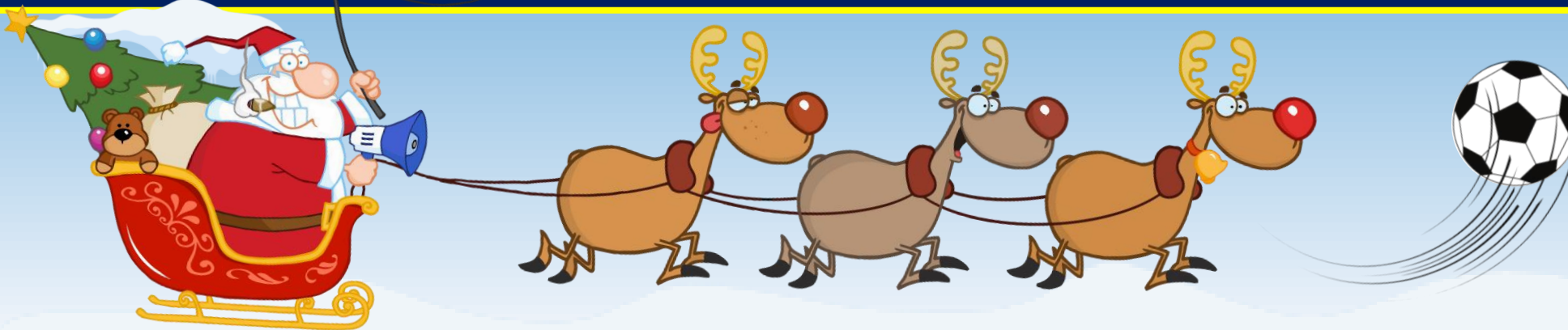
At the beginning of my year, I stated I wanted to continue the great work we already did as an Institute and seek to hold face to face socials/networking events and put on our careers event. I am pleased to say that we have achieved both of the above with a Sedgwick sponsored summer drinks event, numerous successful PFS events, and our upcoming Christmas quiz which will be held at the City Wine Bar on 01 December 2022. I am also very pleased we were able to put on our careers event which went ahead at the Crowne Plaza on 12/10/2022 and was a great success!

Going forwards I am hopeful we are able to host many more CPD events, revision courses and social/networking events in 2023.

I am extremely pleased with what we have achieved as an institute so far this year and look forward to continuing the great work into 2023 and beyond.

Finally, with this being our last publication of the year I'd like to extend my best wishes to all members and hope everyone has a merry Christmas and a New Year!

Kind regards



Exam Success

We have recently undertaken a review of our candidates and the successes that they have achieved, particularly at the varying major points for qualification success. From this point we have then awarded the awards that are within our remit for the levels for overall performance in the exams leading to that qualification, and we are delighted to confirm that the good news, and awards have been issued to the following members:

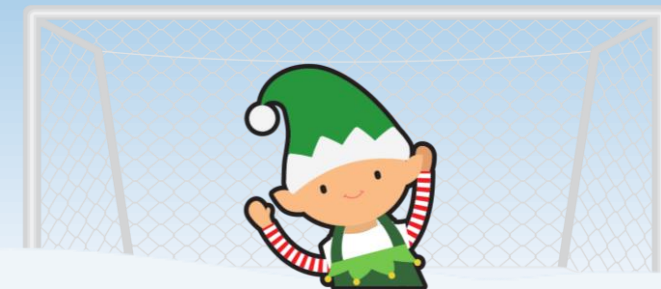
1. Kenneth Griffiths Award – proudly sponsored by Griffiths & Armour for most successful member in completing the Advanced Diploma in Insurance – Nicholas Dunning
2. Advanced Diploma in Financial Planning Award – Charlie Sas
3. Diploma CII Award – Ilona Sarkane
4. Diploma in Financial Planning Award – Thomas Hoban

A huge congratulations to all winners.

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We have also put on revision sessions where 20 members attended a virtual revision day hosted by our training partners in respect of the R01 and R02 exams. This was well received by candidates, and we are planning further sessions shortly to coincide with the upcoming exam periods.

For any exam related queries please contact education secretary Chris Legg



Education and Community Engagement

The Insurance Institute Liverpool (IIL) has been very active over the past few months, with James and Carly attending their second virtual visit to Liverpool John Moores University talking about careers in both Financial Planning and Insurance. We have also held the annual 'careers event' aimed at raising the profile of Insurance and Financial Planning to students in Year 12 and 13 and showing them how rewarding careers in the two professions can be. After a pause for 2 years, it was great to be back!

The full day event focused around the Discover Risk and Discover Fortunes board games, with the sessions being delivered by local Education Champions. The students were divided into small groups, working together with the support of a professional in the area to solve 'risk' and 'fortunes' problems, from assessing risk probabilities to how much of a pot to invest or save. The aim of the games being to beat other teams by getting as close to the correct answers as possible.

By playing both board games, students gain a greater understanding of what skills are needed to work in the sectors – from the analytical to team working to being able to effectively present your views to a group of peers. The focus is on developing their soft skills which are hugely important when entering the world of work.

Students also had the opportunity to hear from professionals working in both Insurance and Financial Planning, firstly from a graduate about her experience from school to university and then to obtaining Diploma qualifications. Students also heard from our very own Jack Steel, and this year's IIL president on his own journey from History degree to Chartered Major Loss Adjuster and the President of the Insurance Institute of Liverpool.

The day concluded with some 'speed networking', giving students the opportunity to speak to local professionals about their job roles, prospects and how they can get work experience and apprentice roles within the professions.

Having had to put the event on hold for the last two years due to Covid-19, it was Jack's focus for his Presidential year to run this successful event once again this year.

Jack said: A career in Insurance and Financial Planning can be extremely rewarding and actively engaging with students at an early stage is imperative to raise awareness and key to securing future talent within the respective professions. The careers day was an extremely enjoyable event and pupil engagement was impressive. I have no doubt all who attended will go on to have very successful careers and who knows, as a result of the careers event some may even consider a career in Insurance and Financial Planning!

The day could not have taken place without the support of a wide range of people. With thanks to the IIL Careers team and all speakers Kamilla Mouakit, Tracey Fisher, Helen Thomas as well as our volunteers from Pavis Chartered Financial Planners.

Support in and around the community



Andy's Mans Club

We're really happy to share that on the 07/12 we have the opportunity of listening to Andy's Mans Club ANDYSMANCLUB takes its name from Andrew Roberts, a man who sadly took his own life aged 23 in early 2016. Andy's family had no inkling that he was suffering or struggling to the extent that he would do this, and as a result looked deeper into male suicide and men's mental health. They soon discovered that male suicide is the biggest killer of men under 50,

A thought-provoking hour to spend and support what shouldn't be, a times taboo subject matter

<https://cms.localinstitutes.cii.co.uk/manchester/home/events/2022/miindful/andys-man-club-it-s-ok-to-talk>



Insurance Charity

In the midst of a cost of living crisis sometimes those most vulnerable can be forgotten The Insurance Charity is a recognised contributor and support of those individuals and there families who have fallen on hard times or been adversely impacted . They have been providing support for current and former insurance employees and their dependants since 1902. Last year over £612k to support insurance people in need across both insurance and financial planning. More details can be found below.

The charity for insurance industry employees - The Insurance Charities

Lets see if we can raise the profile of the charity and have sensitive conversations where required.



Look back and Upcoming events

It's been great to see a number of events be held throughout the year. Attendance has been great, and it's been lovely to see and be part of the CII social scene, we have all missed over the COVID period

From a recap perspective

We had our summer social at Aether on Thursday 28 July, sponsored by Sedgwick. We had a really good turn out and it was a great opportunity to have a face to face catch up post COVID. Huge thanks to everyone who attended, it really gave us all a lift and showed why we missed these types of event so much

In terms of what's upcoming, we have our Christmas Quiz on the 01/12/22, again it should be a great event with lots of laughs, smiles and fair degree of networking! Check out the link below.

<https://www.localinstitutes.cii.co.uk/liverpool/home/events/2022/iil-christmas-quiz/>

Looking Forward to 2023

We're really happy to share that the prestigious CII annual dinner will take place at the Crown Plaza for the second year running on Friday the 31/03/23. Now is the time to secure your diary and watch out for ticket information which will be shared in the new year

For any immediate questions or queries please reach out Dominic Murphy or Jack Steel.

So that is all for the latest CII review, lots of great updates we hope you enjoy the sharing of our successes and we look forward to building on 2022 and continue with this momentum.

