



# Annual Dinner 2026

Wednesday 4th November

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*The Lubricant Industry's most prestigious networking event*



## A first class evening awaits you and your guests

The UKLA Annual Dinner is the highlight of the Lubricant Industry's networking calendar and this year will be held at Sheraton Grand Park Lane; there will be a gala dinner in the Ball Room and an evening of top quality networking, giving you the opportunity to make useful new contacts and renew old acquaintances.

Throughout the evening you will hear about how the United Kingdom Lubricants Association has worked with and for the industry during the year and the

opportunity to listen to our speaker, the renowned John Humphrys.

This is your opportunity to mingle with other like-minded industry executives, make new contacts and enjoy an evening of fine food and company. Bring your clients and prospects and enjoy this prestigious occasion.

We are delighted to announce that our President's Charity for this year is The Dream Factory and 5% of the ticket revenue will be going towards this excellent cause.

**John Humphrys** joined the BBC in 1966 as the district reporter for Liverpool and the Northwest, where he reported the dock strikes of that time. He then worked as a foreign correspondent and his reports included the resignation of Richard Nixon in 1973 on television by satellite from the United States and in 1977 when based in South Africa he covered the transformation of Rhodesia into Zimbabwe.

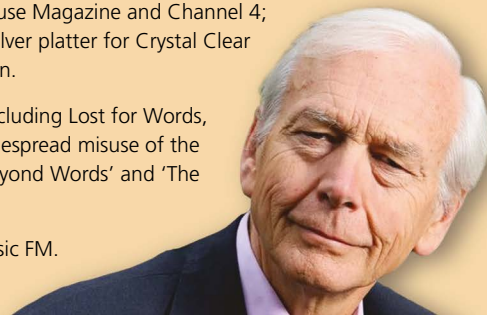
John Humphrys returned to London in 1980 to take up the post of BBC Diplomatic Correspondent. In 1981 he became the main presenter of the BBC's flagship Nine O'Clock News – a role he held until 1987. This appointment marked a significant change in the BBC's approach to news broadcasting; with the appointment of Humphrys and John Simpson, the presenters of the news became part of the process of producing the broadcast, rather than just reading a prepared script as with previous presenters.

John Humphrys has also presented the BBC's investigative journalism programme Panorama and BBC2 television quiz show Mastermind from 2003 to 2021, for a total of 735 episodes during 18 years.

He has won many industry awards, including being named Journalist of the Year in February 2000 at an awards ceremony organised by The House Magazine and Channel 4; the Gold Sony Radio Award in 2003; and a silver platter for Crystal Clear Broadcasting from the Plain English Campaign.

John Humphrys has written several books, including *Lost for Words*, in which he criticises what he sees as the widespread misuse of the English language, plus *'Devil's Advocate'*, *'Beyond Words'* and *'The Great Food Gamble'*.

He currently presents a regular show on Classic FM.



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The event of the year, not to be missed



## Booking form

Please return your completed booking form to:  
**events@ukla.org.uk**

Company:

Contact Name:

Contact Email:

Address to send  
tickets to:

| Name | Company | Dietary<br>Requirements* | Include on<br>the printed<br>and online<br>guest list | Email Address |
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\* Please indicate any food allergies or intolerances you may have, e.g. nut allergy, shellfish, gluten, etc.

Vegetarian meals are provided at no extra cost, but some special diet meals could increase the ticket price, please ask for a quotation.

I would like to share a table with:

Company/Guest Name:

## Fees

No. req'd

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| Members Standard single ticket | £319 (+VAT)   |
| Members Standard table of ten  | £3,190 (+VAT) |
| Non-Member single ticket       | £419 (+VAT)   |
| Non-Member table of ten        | £4,190 (+VAT) |



## Payment

I wish to pay by: Invoice

☐ Tick

Credit/Debit card

☐ Tick

5% of the ticket price goes  
directly to The Dream Factory.

My purchase order number is:

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and email to [events@ukla.org.uk](mailto:events@ukla.org.uk)

Written cancellations received by the UKLA Events team after 17:00 on 1st October 2026 cannot be refunded, although substitute delegates are welcome. Please note, late changes may not appear in the Dinner Programme. For full terms and conditions, please visit [www.ukla.org.uk](http://www.ukla.org.uk)

Bookings subject to terms and conditions <https://www.ukla.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/UKLA-Booking-Terms-and-Conditions.pdf>

Non-member bookings require payment in advance of the event; tickets will not be confirmed until payment is received.

# Annual Dinner 2026 Sponsorship Opportunities

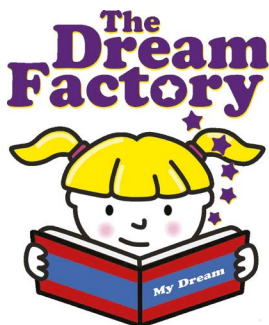
There is still time to secure sponsorship for this year's Annual Dinner. Bringing together 350 guests from across the UK, Europe, Asia and the USA, this prestigious event provides an outstanding opportunity to showcase your organisation, strengthen brand awareness, and enhance your profile within the global industry community.

A range of sponsorship packages remains available, offering valuable exposure before, during and after the event.

To discuss the available options and identify the package best suited to your organisation, please contact Megan Humphreys at [events@ukla.org.uk](mailto:events@ukla.org.uk) or call **01442 861081**.

## President's Charity 2026/7

The Dream Factory is a UK-based non-profit charity with no government funding that grants dreams for children and young adults with life-limiting or life-threatening conditions, and/or with severe disabilities bringing hope, creating memories.



Charity Number 1123662

Set up in 2008 in memory of her son Oliver, who died from leukaemia aged nine. Avril Mills BEM helped to grant a dream for a little boy who wanted to visit a football club. That day, Oliver said, "Mum, when I grow up I want to grant dreams just like you". Sadly, Oliver never got that chance, but the premise for The Dream Factory was founded.

We aim to do everything possible to grant a child's dream, which could be to meet their favourite celebrity, their favourite sporting hero, visit Disneyland for the day, or

own a laptop. No dream is too small. All our dreams are made possible with the invaluable help of our fabulous Dream Makers who are all volunteers.

Since 2008, we have granted over 744 dreams in his memory. Please help to keep Oliver's legacy alive.



For more information visit:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/uklapresidentscharity20257>