

SEPTEMBER 2020

KEEP SAFE

CHANGES TO WHAT YOU CAN DO

England and Scotland have reduced the number of people allowed to meet socially to six, amid a rise in coronavirus cases. Wales is also cutting the numbers who can meet to six - but only indoors.

What are the new rules on socialising?

In England, the limit of six people from multiple households started on Monday 14th September.

It applies both indoors and outdoors, and to all ages. So, gatherings in private homes, venues like pubs and restaurants, and in outdoor spaces like parks are all affected.

In Scotland, from 14th September a **maximum of six people from two households** can meet. Unlike England, children under 12 will not be included. In Wales, **it will be illegal** for more than six people from an extended household to meet indoors. The rule will not apply to children aged 11 and under. In Wales up to 30 people from different homes can still meet outside.

Northern Ireland has yet to announce any changes. Pubs, restaurants, shops and other venues will remain open, **but people can only attend in groups of up to six.**

[Source: BBC News website]

Members in the Irish Republic, Isle of Man, Channel Islands & elsewhere, please check what guidance applies to your locales.

This is all subject to further change with little or no notice and to stricter local limits.

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REMEMBER, REMEMBER....

1. You can find an excellent guide to running a Zoom Meeting at <http://tinyurl.com/41clublionszoom>
2. You can find the national speaker videos on our YouTube Channel at <http://tinyurl.com/41clubyoutube>
3. You can find the latest UK govt advice on Covid-19 including what you can and cannot do at <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>
& the latest Irish govt advice at <https://www.gov.ie/en/campaigns/c36c85-covid-19-coronavirus>

**STAY SAFE
KEEP SANE
KEEP IN TOUCH
SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

During recent weeks I have actually met people face to face as well as zoom meetings!

I met up for Lunch in Nuneaton with Tom Atkins, Neal Lowe and Kevin Stewart (who was on his way home driving up from Poole).

We had a nice lunch and catch up. A light lunch and no alcohol all being super fit guys; doesn't seem to be working with Tom and myself!

Next, I met up with Derby Merlin 41 club for a walk. All of them with a dog, a bit like they used to be at NSW. It was great to catch up with these guys who had served their time in Table at the same time as myself, so we have had some fabulous times together over the years.

When we arrived back at the pub, we found another past member of their club, Rupert, who used to own a furniture shop in the middle of Nottingham. Usually after an area event they would end up in the shop posing in the shop windows in their dinner suits, and then sleeping on the beds in the bed department, typical Table!

He now lives in China and had come back just before lockdown. Now they will not let him return because of COVID restrictions. There are far more there than here, maybe because they know more about what it is.

Next Lesley and I had our first weekend away with 41, so at first we were a bit apprehensive. We went to Liverpool to meet Matt and Claire Eaton at Lu Ban, Mark House's restaurant. Mark recommended a place for us to stay which was superb and we felt totally safe there.



We met at Mark's restaurant on the Friday night which was a fantastic eating experience, Chinese food at it's very best. The restaurant has a great atmosphere and the barman really knows his stuff about drinks. I would recommend that anyone visiting Liverpool should pay it a visit.

We had a fabulous night of fellowship with Matt and Claire and Mark on our table and Kilsh and Rory with their wives on another table to keep socially distanced.

On the Saturday Lesley and I explored Liverpool and were both impressed with the improvements they have made there.

Late afternoon we drove down to Wales to meet up with Rory, Ralph, Wayne and their wives for a meal at a country hotel, another great night of fellowship.

On Sunday we drove to Rory's house for coffee and set off on a walk to clock up some more miles for Dementia UK. This was a walk with a difference, great fun, music blasting out Rory singing and the cows joining in, just hilarious.

We ended up at the Chairman of Deeside Round Table, Mark Sephton's, where Matt was doing his car park cook off. Deeside Table and Alyn, and Deeside XRT 41 club were attending. Also, Paul Agnew, Past National President presented Matt with his chain of office, Paul Thompson received his Vice chain, and

| | England | Scotland | Wales | Northern Ireland |
|----------------------------------|--|---|--|--------------------------------|
| How many people outdoors? | Six from multiple households from 14 Sep | Up to six aged 12+ from two households, from 14 Sep | Up to 30 outdoors | Up to 15 outdoors |
| At what distance? | 1m 'plus' | 2m apart (less in some premises) | 2m apart - age 11+ only (less in some premises) | 2m apart |
| Indoors | Six from multiple households from 14 Sep | Up to six aged 12+ from two households, from 14 Sep | Up to six people aged 12+ from an "extended household" from 14 Sep | Six people from two households |

BBC



Iain Richardson his IRO chain. So, as well as the curry cooked by Matt, which was delicious, it was a very eventful afternoon. Oh, and last but not least a new member was inducted into Table.

Fabulous afternoon of fellowship with Round Table and 41 club together.

On Sunday the 6th of September, Lesley and myself joined Southend 41 club for a walking treasure hunt around the town of Maldon, the weather was fantastic and the treasure hunt very well organised by David Wacogne. We joined up with Mark House and his family for a team effort, we did ok(ish) and had a great picnic afterwards, all socially distanced of course. I think Chairman Ian was trying to impress me when he filled the boot of the car with trophies they had won at National events. A great day had by all!!!

This was closely followed by a trip to visit Lichfield 41 club that had a get together with other halves in a beer garden at lunchtime with a fish and chip van on the Car Park. The BEST pint of Bass I have had in a long time pity I can't have drivers at the moment. Again, the weather was fabulous so we all sat in the garden socially distanced well away from Mac!! The Banter and fellowship always good with these guys!

I was just starting to really enjoy getting out and meeting members and again new announcements of restrictions so sadly car back in the yard. Stay safe everyone, see you all soon, face-to-face or by Zoom.

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Peter

CLUB SERVICE AWARD - IAN SILVER

Back on the 17th March when the Coronavirus Lockdown started to bite, a number of Ashby Round Table and 41 Club members discussed via our joint WhatsApp group, what we could do for the community at this time.

It was suggested by member Peter Good who happens to be our National President that perhaps we could offer to do essential shopping, collect prescriptions and other errands for those vulnerable people in the town who will have to shield during the pandemic.

An A5 leaflet was quickly put together and a supply was printed by one of our members with both logos on and three contact names. Ian Silver whose name was top of the contact list, offered to act as co-ordinator not expecting this pandemic to last more than a couple of months!

Over the next few days, the town of Ashby was leaflet dropped mainly at the small sheltered housing estates and bungalows by members of both Round Table and 41 Club. When I did my leaflet drop at a sheltered housing estate near my house a lady came out on the street and shouted a thank you for what we were doing.

The Vice President of my Rotary Club in the town heard what we were doing and asked if his Club could help and after referring to Ian, seven members of the Ashby Castle Rotary Club joined our happy band.

It was not long before the phone calls came in to the contacts on the leaflet which were then logged and via our WhatsApp group, messages such as "Shopping request for Prior Park, any takers?" were taken up by our members and details circulated. Once the task was done they reported back via WhatsApp that the job was completed.

As more and more phone calls were received, Ian put together some safety and practical guide lines for us to use, as the people we were doing the errands for were now asking if they could pay via Bank Transfer, what sort of errands we could do and telling us to keep the change etc. These guidelines went through five versions by the time the restrictions had eased. We made the decision that any donations from people who told us to keep the change would go the President's Charity, Dementia UK.

Our local North West District Council (NWLDC) heard what we were doing and asked Ian if he could act for all the voluntary groups that had offered to help in the Town. A Zoom meeting was held with the various voluntary groups and it appeared that our scheme was the one gaining acceptance in the community with the other voluntary groups focusing on befriending and local food banks. The local Rugby Club was doing roughly the same thing as us and it was decided that their volunteers would join our WhatsApp group. This has started a great friendship bond between 41 Club and the Rugby Club which we hope will continue long after this Pandemic is over.

We now called ourselves the Ashby "Community Response Unit" (CRU) which consisted of members from Ashby Round Table, Ashby 41 Club, Ashby Rugby Club and Ashby Castle Rotary.

As our name spread and shopping requests increased we made arrangements with Tesco to be admitted without the need to queue, provided we had an ID, so a letter was produced and ID cards made which were distributed to our volunteers along with a 41 Club lanyard. The collections for prescriptions resulted in three special time slots during the day at our main chemist with access to the back door so we once again did not have to queue.

In the five weeks of our CRU operation we had taken some 208 requests for help for about 96 residents but declined a grant from NWLC to help with our expenses as to do so would mean we would have to keep detailed records and put in place claim procedures which would tie us up in unnecessary bureaucracy. We wanted to keep it simple!

In mid-May Ian informed us that he had to take his wife Heather to hospital after her replacement hip had an infection and had to be drained as well as replacing her hip ball joint. Despite all this he continued to act as our CRU co-ordinator. As our 41 Club treasurer I took a bunch of flowers round to Heather when she came home from all of us at 41 Club. Despite looking after his wife, Ian continued to act as our co-ordinator which just goes to show his commitment to 41 Club.

We had a number of amusing incidents during this period of helping the community which included one chap who wanted a prescription collected but could not remember his address and gave the wrong road and had to ring me back. We had a lady that constantly gave us a very long list of shopping with specific requests for the type of chocolate her daughter could only eat: we think she may be taking us for a ride!

We had a lovely old chap who when giving his shopping list over the phone always quoted the exact amount of grams on the Tesco packet he wanted and always started his weekly list with "TV Choice magazine" please.

We had a lovely lady in a wheel chair who commented that she had not been out of her house since Boxing Day as the council had delayed in fitting a ramp over her front steps. One of our members had a spare steel sheet and welded up a ramp

which we delivered to her grateful thanks.

We also had a lady who requested a bottle of wine with her shopping request as it was her 97th Birthday so Ian delivered a card and flowers to wish her well.





Ian continued to collate all the requests received and sent to NWLDC weekly statistics on what we had done as well as circulating the NWLDC Newsletter to the other voluntary groups in Ashby.

As the lockdown restrictions eased and a number of members of our CRU were going back to work as well as the requests for our support trailing off, we decided to close our operation on the 24th July. A few weeks before this date we delivered a letter to all the people on our data base thanking them for the privilege to help them during this difficult time and if they still wanted some help to give us a ring. We then collated a list of these vulnerable people and rang them to ask if we could pass their names to the District Council for continued support.

Over the nineteen week period we handled 501 requests for help covering 140 individual people many of whom rang us weekly asking for help.

As we wound down our operation we received a number of individual letters from the people had helped thanking us and enclosing donations for our Charity. In total £125.00 was received excluding the "Keep the Change" donations.

It was proposed that Ian be awarded a Club Service Award by our Club, so a jewel was ordered from 41 Club Sales and a Citation Certificate was produced and framed.

The Citation reads as follows:

For significant and dedicated service to the local community, by taking an idea from member Peter Good to lead a Community Response Unit (CRU) of volunteers from Ashby Round Table, Ashby 41 Club, Ashby Rugby Club and The Rotary Club of Ashby Castle, to help vulnerable & shielded people requiring shopping and prescription delivery during the Coronavirus Pandemic and Lockdown of Summer 2020. In addition by reporting to and acting as a Co-ordinator for NWLDC in respect of all volunteer teams in the locality of Ashby-de-la-Zouch by disseminating relevant information from and to NWLDC and other sources.

The Award was presented to Ian at our first 41 Club meeting after the restrictions had been lifted where we walked to a micro brewery for an outside BBQ in the Derbyshire country side where our Chairman and the National President did the presentation to a totally unaware and shocked Ian.



Hugh Milward

41 Club Honorary Archivist

STEVE'S FIRST REGION 11 MEETINGS



41 Clubs all over the country are wondering when is the best time to start to meet up again in person, after taking on the role of Region 11 national councillor in July I sent an email out to all the 41 clubs in the region. I was invited down to Stafford 41 Club in August by Chris Barton the new chair, Chris asked if any other 41 Clubs were meeting at this time with all the issues around self-isolating and "keep your distance". I was able to pass on my experience as I am also Chairman of Heswall XRT41 Club and as chairman we have done the normal zoom meetings including our virtual AGM where I took over from chairman John Lea.

As Chairman of Heswall XRT 41 club I have put on Zoom beer tasting nights, in June we were able to get out on our bikes and with Heswall Round Table do our normal Beer and Bikes night with a slight difference of social distancing and wearing masks when not drinking or riding! Our next meeting was in August and was the yearly grudge match between 41 club and round table, the winners organise the next year's competition, as Heswall Round Table won last year's Clay Pigeon shoot by half a clay they decided that cricket was a great idea.



I hear you all say how do you win by half a clay well Round Table were keep score! So this year was no different with Alan Thompson from Heswall Round Table keeping score we lost but we did have our ringer, the angry badger region, 12 national councillor Rory Tompsett, who with his tactics behind the stumps trying to put off the batsman did help.

I had an awesome time with the guys from Stafford 41 Club, meeting them all for the first time, Chris telling me all about Canalside Farm, where the meeting took place what a beautiful location. Chris was able to officially receive the Chairman's chains from past chair Tony, great banter and food but I think we were missing the buns for the burgers.

I would love to get out and come and meet the 41ers of region 11 please keep me in mind for any zoom or face to face meetings please email me at region11@41club.org.

Steve Tasker

National Councillor Region 11

NATIONAL GOLF FINALS

“Organise the National Golf Finals? No problem – what could possibly go wrong?”

...Was my response back in May 2019 when asked by Steve James, National Fellowship Officer if I would organise the annual event – I had arranged various golf events previously, so I thought – why not?

I asked which 41 Clubs had qualified – assuming that there would be plenty of Regional Golf winners ready to take part in the National Golf Finals and it would be a simple matter of contacting these and agreeing a date in the ‘usual’ period of Sept/Oct 2019 for them to compete.

I should have known better.. I was told about the holders, Shirley late Knights – and that was about it..

So I sent a survey out to all Clubs to ask what they wanted from their National Golf Finals – and this provided a broad consensus of Clubs’ preferences, which surprised me as I tend not to trust surveys anyway – as according to a recent survey, replacing words with the names of musical instruments often goes undetected..

It soon became clear that:

- There were some Clubs who played golf more than others
- Some Clubs who were Regional winners and thought they had qualified for the Finals
- Other Clubs who played golf but were in Regions who didn’t have a Regional Golf Competition – but still wanted to play in any National Finals
- There were Regions who had wanted to have a Golf Competition but struggled to get clubs to compete
- Some Clubs wanted to play the National Golf Finals in 2019
- Most said they wouldn’t have time to organise a team in 2019
- Some Clubs didn’t want to travel very far for a one-day golf event
- Some Clubs couldn’t spell golf

SO! I had a few balls/opinions to juggle and come up with the best way forward that may not please all – but would at least please the majority.

To cut a (very) long story short, it was decided not to hold the Finals last year but instead take a long run up and plan for the Finals to be held this year, have a two day Final, at a great course, at a great price and giving Clubs plenty of time to submit a team... the result was :

The date: 4th & 5th Oct 2020

The venue: The Forest of Arden Marriott Hotel & Country Club

The format: Two rounds of golf, dinner and bed & breakfast

The price: £125 per player – an absolute bargain!

Some Clubs expressed interest and then dropped out, other Clubs promised to submit a team then forgot.. numbers went up and down like a yoyo (or as my local vicar says ‘like a whore’s draws’) but in the end we succeeded in getting over 48 golfers from 12 Clubs interested by the end of 2019 – great stuff! Deposits were paid and all I had to do was plan the format, send out reminders for the balances and look forward to the event.. what could possibly go wrong?

Er.. Covid-19 is what went wrong...

All other 41 Club National events were cancelled or postponed one by one... Lockdown arrived and

understandably, several Clubs withdrew from the National Golf finals with concerns.

In July I nervously contacted the hotel and the organisers ‘Golfbreaks’ expecting to hear the worst - so was as nervous as a long-tailed cat in a room full of rocking chairs – expecting to hear that the event had fallen foul of the virus... but no! The hotel and golf courses had been given the all clear, established social distancing and would be open for business!

So here I am with a month to go before the Finals and we now have 28 golfers representing ten 41 Clubs – all of us looking forward to a really enjoyable two days of quality fun, fellowship and fairways. Oh, and hopefully the golf will be quality as well, but if I’m honest that’s going to be of secondary importance after all the stress of recent months.

Subject to second waves, local lockdowns and Track & Trace, the 41 Club National Golf Finals will go ahead on 4th & 5th October 2020 with National President Peter Good and National Fellowship Officer Steve James awarding the prizes – and I can’t tell you how pleased I and the other 41 club golfers attending are about this.

A full report will appear after the event but meanwhile, just a ‘heads up’ (or rather the opposite) that if you’re passing near Meriden, Birmingham over the first weekend in October, you might want to key an eye out for wayward balls coming your way... FORE!

Peter McBride

National Councillor Region 24



MILLENNIUM WAY 5-DAY CHALLENGE FOR DEMENTIA UK

On Saturday 12th September Andy Ventress, National IRO, started to walk the 100 mile Millennium Way in 5 consecutive days. He is doing this as part of the **500 + 500 more** challenge in support of the Presidential Charity, Dementia UK. Watch out on Facebook for more information as he progresses over the 5 days. We hope to feature the full story in the next magazine. If you would like to sponsor him please go to Peter’s fund raising page. You can highlight who you are specifically supporting in the challenge by entering in the comments of the donation the “Andy 5 day challenge”.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=PeterGood&pageUrl=1>

ASK THE PRESIDENT

Recently, National President Peter and Marcus Jones, his PLC Chair, sat and reviewed the last six months whilst they planned the next twelve months – here is Marcus's account of this.

No doubt it was not what we had envisaged when Peter came into Office, we reacted very quickly to ensure the membership had something to hold onto when it was clear that covid19 would really impact the year.

A huge part of the adopt and adapt plan surrounded the online events that were a huge success and will continue in the next few months.

Please go to www.41clubconnects.co.uk to watch these.



Mark Wood - Intrepid Explorer



Sally Kettle - Atlantic Adventurer



During our conversation I asked Peter three key questions on behalf of the members:-

1. Are you concerned that Covid19 has impacted the association long term?

Peter – *There are several areas that have given me optimism during this period. The way we have all adapted to using online platforms, the innovation and ideas people have come up with to keep the fellowship going, the community work our members have continued during this time, like helping the NHS or even fellow Tablers like "Walk with Will". That 70% of clubs have paid their subs because they have seen the value of all the online events and the online meetings I have attended. Most of all the kindness we have all shown each other and the real optimism of our members. That we all want to get back to face to face events – following the social distancing rules of course.*

2. What's the biggest challenge you have had so far?

Peter – *There are two things in my "Presidents Daily Journal" that stick out, the reluctance to embrace online voting so we could continue with the real business side of things in the background, I believe this was a failure of those who blocked it to see what the members truly want, members are the life and oxygen of the association and we should never forget that, I believe it has damaged the associations credibility to adopt in challenging times and respond to changing times.*

The second item continues the same theme, some individuals who just want to write the year off, I simply will not allow that to happen. To make it super clear this road-block will never happen again. We owe it to members past and present to ensure we support each other and pass on an organisation to future members. We need to remember the Aims and Objects of Round Table which we all signed up too.

3. What have you enjoyed the most?

Peter – *I mentioned it earlier, our innovation and ideas, over the three months of lockdown we have moved the association forward five years in real time in usage of new platforms, we are all more educated on technology, whilst it should not replace the true DNA of our organisation it can support and add a new dimension. The attendance of club events online has grown week on week, members who had not attended meetings for years came back, clubs are meeting twice a month now and I am encouraging two meetings a month, one digital and one physical.*

Remember one of our online 41Club connects event had over 400 attendees, I don't call that shabby, do you? I think our comms team have been World Class in keeping the organisation updated.

Let's reset the future and how we look at connecting with each other. One other point on this, we have led the Associations around the world with our online activity. 41Club Connects is here to stay and it needs to be embraced by the whole council.

If you have a question for Peter or the Board then please do not hesitate to contact them.

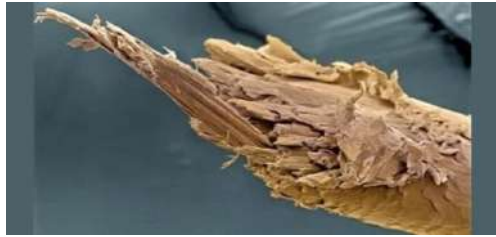
Marcus Jones

Peter's PLC Chairman

THIS MONTH'S TEASER

What are these things under a microscope?

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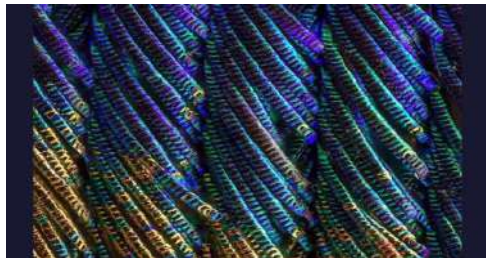
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- c) The tip of a toothpick.

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- a) A hand towel.
- b) Toilet paper.
- c) A bale of hay.

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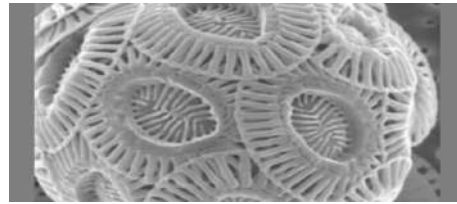
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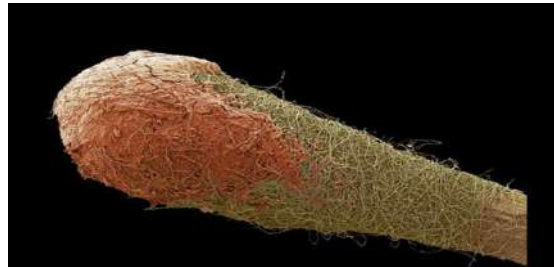
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- c) Eyelashes.

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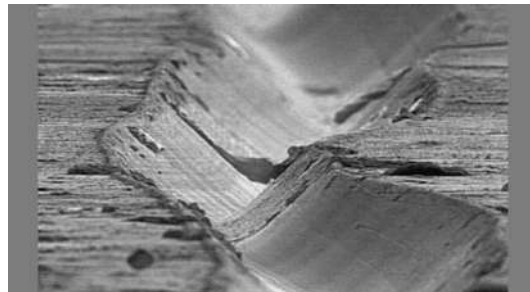
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- b) A grain of refined sugar
- c) A white blood cell.

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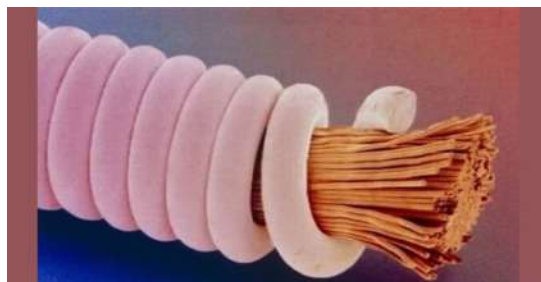
- a) A plucked strand of hair.
- b) A used cotton swab.
- c) A matchstick.

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- a) A crack in cement.
- b) A vinyl disc.
- c) A light scratch on human skin.

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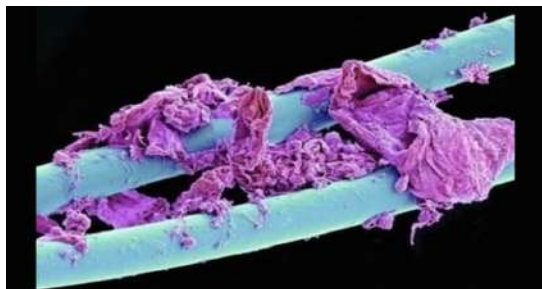
- a) The tip of a paintbrush.
- b) A guitar string.
- c) The inside of a phone charger.

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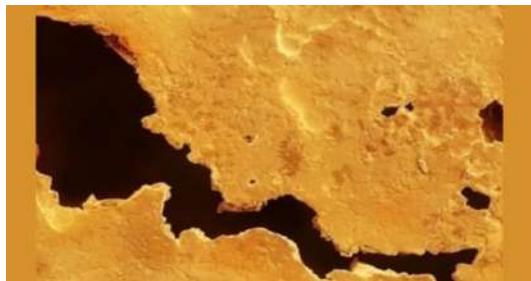
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- b) Chain mail armor.
- c) A bicycle tyre

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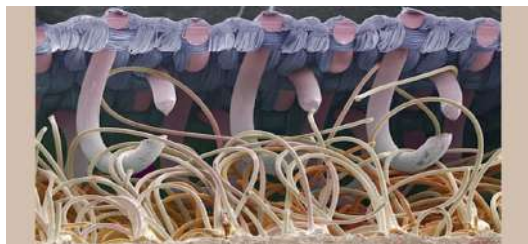
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- b) A strand of thread.
- c) Used dental floss.

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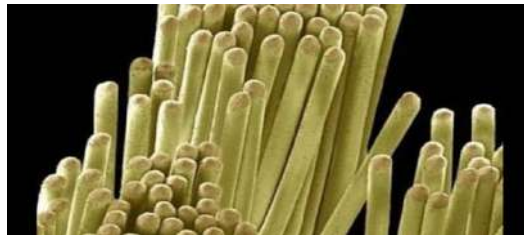
- a) Human skin.
- b) A fortune cookie.
- c) A piece of cardboard.

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- a) Velcro.
- b) A t-shirt.
- c) A strip of gauze.

13



- a) French fries.
- b) A sea anemone.
- c) Toothbrush bristles.

14



- a) The inside of a multivitamin.
- b) A box of craft supplies.
- c) Common dust.

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- a) The inside of an ear of corn.
- b) A banana being split.
- c) A twig being snapped in half

Clue: None of them have anything to do with Yorkshire

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LET'S SUPPORT 41 CLUB SALES

We all know that it has been tough for small shop owners during this lockdown period and even now as restrictions are easing, many people rightly are reluctant to go out, let alone queue to get into shops.

The media is all about supporting local traders during this difficult time so how about supporting our own local trader, namely 41 Club Sales. When was the last time you logged on to <http://www.41clubsales.co.uk/> to see the fantastic range that Paul can offer you? Just look at the following on offer:

- MEDALS/JEWELS/NAMEBARS
- PIN BADGES
- PIN BADGES (YOUR OWN DESIGN)
- CUFFLINKS
- CELEBRATING 75 YEARS
- MILLENNIUM WAY WALKS
- WINSCREEN/SURFACE STICKERS
- TIES/BOW TIES
- CAPS/HATS/ACCESSORIES
- POLO SHIRTS
- SHIRTS/RUGBY SHIRTS
- FLEECEES/BODY WARMERS
- COATS/JACKETS
- BAGS/HOLDALLS
- HI VIZ VESTS
- PEWTER RANGE
- PRINTED & ENGRAVED GLASSWARE

Don't forget that Paul can also design and produce one offs and personal items so please give him a ring on 0121 766 8830/0121 766 8831 or at paul@41clubsales.co.uk

To give you an example our National President Peter Good turned 70 last July and as a very good friend I was struggling to buy a present for the man who has everything! So I contacted Paul and asked for a Voucher to a certain amount that I could give to Peter. "No problem" said Paul and in just a couple of days a Voucher arrived which I put in a card for Peter's Birthday. He then contacted Paul and a lovely reversible Fleece was delivered to Peter in a few days. Just right for all those chilly Golf days that our President will be attending!

I know a number of Clubs are meeting up outdoors to comply with the restrictions at present, so with the evening becoming chillier, now is the time to contact Paul for some warmer 41 Club branded clothing!

Don't forget that Paul has been unable to attend and set up his stall at our major events that have unfortunately had to be cancelled at this time, so please support Paul during this difficult period. You all know the old saying "Use It or Lose It!"

Hugh Milward

Past National Sales Officer

(When we had such a position and no, I am not on commission, just a very satisfied customer!)

THE BEST LAID PLANS! (FORMERLY "GETTING BACK TO BUSINESS!")

This was going to be an article launching Gin Tasting Nights with the President, until the government changed what is and isn't permissible, but we decided to leave it in anyway to give you a heads up of what we have planned once circumstances change and this type of get-together is once again permitted!

During many of my recent conversations, I am trying to encourage clubs to look at what they can do to create an event for their members, of course it goes without saying following Covid19 Guidelines, locally, regionally & nationally.

I totally understand that these are different for everyone.

Clubs are having outside walks, cycle events or just a simple social.

I want to support you and our members in fellowship.

With that in mind, my plc and I are creating *the Gin Club Experience*, a free event for members.

What does this mean and how do I organise one?

You hold an outside event – following the strict guidelines on numbers.

Your club supplies the nibbles.

Let me know the date and time via my diary team so we can check availability.

My team will bring a selection of gins and herbs for a gin tasting experience, we will require a small pop up table, we also supply a selection of gins, mixers and plastic glasses so everyone is protected.

Don't worry about the nights drawing in, we can wrap up well and you may even have access to a pit fire or something similar?

We will supply Sanitizer for members to frequently wash hands. Along with social distance fun arrows so we monitor our distances to the rules.

To Book a fantastic Gin Night with the president please book via the website (<https://www.41club.org/site/presidentBooking?delivery=president>) and our very own diary guru Hugh Milward will come back to you.

Watch out for the new Gin Club experience for members which includes a 75th Limited Editions Glass.

Peter

National President

Obviously this will not be possible under current Covid-19 guidelines – but we will advise you when it is!



A QUIRKY QUARTET OF NATIONAL COUNCILLORS

Following on from the last few month's edition, here are a few more profiles of your National Councillors, more to follow next month.

Richard Dyson: Region 23 – Wessex and Channel Islands



41 Club(S): Ringwood and District, Showtime
 Previous Table(s): Beeston 573
 Family: Wife Anne, 1 Daughter (Claire), 2
 Sons (Simon & Rob) and 5 grandchildren
 Job/Occupation: Non-Executive Director of Care South, a group of 18 residential homes across the South, retired from 46 years in the NHS
Favourite
 Sports: Golf & Swimming
 Place/Holiday: Family chartered catamaran in BVI
 Food: Poached Salmon
 Drink: Ringwood Bitter
 Pastimes: Caravanning, caravanning and caravanning !!!
 Film: Top Gun
 Actor: Julia Roberts
 Book: World Atlas
 Music/Band: Rod Stewart
 Album: Enya "A Day Without Rain"
 Car/Bike: Jaguar F Pace & Mini Cooper S

Kelly Clarke: Region 17 – East Anglia



41 Club(s): North Walsham, Founders Area Past Chairman
 Previous Table(s): North Walsham & District 331
 Family: Married to Shirley (34 years) 2 Sons
 Christopher (a Tabler) and Daniel, 4 Grandchildren
 Job/Occupation: Owner of my own garage Repairs only no sales
Favourite
 Sports: Used to play football but now changed the shape of the ball and follow rugby union
 Place/Holiday: North Norfolk coast holiday and the Rockies in Canada
 Food: Steak and kidney pudding closely followed by Toad in the hole
 Drink: Real ale
 Pastimes: Motorbikes and sea fishing with a spot of vegetable gardening you can stick the flowers (Here, Here – Ed)
 Film: Top Gun
 Actor: Tom Hanks
 Book: Any of the 3 Guy Martin books
 Music/Band: No real favourite music artists but still enjoy the sounds of the seventies and early eighties.
 Album: Bat out of hell meatloaf
 Car/Bike: Cars are just a tin box to get you from A to B motorbike Suzuki gsx650f

Steve Tasker: Region 11 – Cheshire & North West Midlands



41 Club(S): Heswall XRT, Ellesmere Port
 Previous Table(s): Heswall 557
 Family: Wife Bridget, 3 Children: Tristan (17), Charlotte (14) and James (10)
 Job/Occupation: Head of IT – Thomas Higgins Solicitors
Favourite
 Sports: Isle Of Man TT
 Place/Holiday: Lleyn Peninsula, North Wales
 Food: Steak
 Drink: Guinness
 Pastimes: Clay Shooting and Motor Biking (not together)
 Film: Top Gun
 Actor: Robin Williams
 Book: Eight Lives Down
 Music/Band: Rolling Stones
 Album: Tattoo You
 Car/Bike: Landrover Series 1,2,2A & 3. Honda Valkyrie F6C, Triumph Bobber Black & Triumph Rocket 3R, Jaguar F-Type 5.0 V8

Neal Lowe: Region 15 – Heart of England



41 Club(S): Nuneaton
 Previous Table(s): Nuneaton
 Family: Married to Karen, two daughters Megan and Isabelle
 Job/Occupation: Managing Director of Insurance Brokers
Favourite
 Sports: Support Liverpool FC....current World Champions (COYB!!! – Ed)
 Place/Holiday: Anywhere in Spain
 Food: Fish and trying to cut out red meat at present
 Drink: Ginger Beer as teetotal for over 600 days
 Pastimes: Ultra Running and Trail Running
 Film: A Good Year
 Actor: Russell Crowe
 Book: Eat and Run
 Music/Band: Coldplay
 Album: A Head Full of Dreams
 Car/Bike: Tesla

THINGS UNDER A MICROSCOPE ANSWERS

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|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 b) a split end | 6 b) a used cotton swab | 11 b) a fortune cookie |
| 2 b) toilet paper | 7 b) a vinyl disc | 12 a) velcro |
| 3 b) a peacock feather | 8 b) a guitar string | 13 c) toothbrush bristles |
| 4 c) eyelashes | 9 a) shark skin | 14 c) common dust |
| 5 a) a piece of chalk | 10 c) used dental floss | 15 b) a banana being split |

AS A SERVICE TO OUR MEMBERS
WE ARE GOING TO START HOSTING ADVERTISEMENTS FOR
MEMBERS' BUSINESSES ON THE 41 CLUB WEBSITE.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT
FURTHER DETAILS FOR YOUR BUSINESS
THEN PLEASE EMAIL COMMS@41CLUB.ORG
AND ONE OF THE COMMS TEAM WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU.

STAYCATION SUGGESTIONS

Now that lockdown restrictions are easing and members are starting to book holidays in the UK, I would like to remind our everyone that if you are considering your staycation we have teamed up with the **Hilton Hotel Group** and also the **Best Western Hotel Group**. Both groups offer good discounts for our members and there are certainly some good deals around which I can vouch for having recently booked nights away with hotels belonging to both groups.

To access the offers please follow the instructions below:-

Log on to Hilton.com (www.hilton.com)
Put in your desired location and dates
Click on Advanced search – not Go
Add the special rate code
In the Corporate Account Box, type in 113011292
Press Go
This will bring up your options with Corporate Account over the price. Continue to book in as normal.
ID may be requested on arrival and proof of membership may be asked for which you can obtain by dropping me a line at Fellowship@41club.org.



Accommodation for 1 – 3 rooms

Best Western Reservations
Call – 0800 393 130
Email – booking.service@bestwestern.com
Online – www.bestwestern.co.uk
Quote or Input your client specific Best Western Company Specific ID **01745440**



Click “done” for each new booking when ID is entered, even if ID is already pre-populated

Accommodation for 4 – 5 rooms

Best Western Reservations / Call – 0800 393 130 / Email – booking.service@bestwestern.com
Quote your client specific Best Western Company Specific ID **01745440**

Meetings/Events & Accommodation for 6 rooms & over

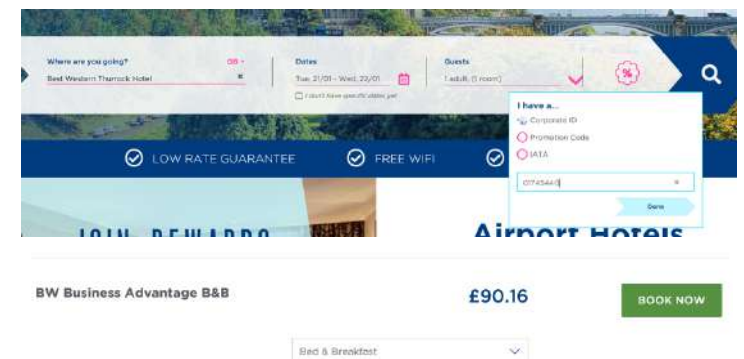
Best Western Venues – dedicated booking team
Email – venues@bestwestern.co.uk / Call – 0844 387 6410
Online – www.bestwestern.co.uk and follow the links for the meeting, business conference tab

Stay Safe.

Yours in Continued Friendship

Steve James

National Fellowship Officer



This article was first published in the August Newsletter but is reproduced here for members convenience as it should save you money if you are planning any breaks!

THE 41 INTERNATIONAL HALF YEAR MEETING SEPT 20, 2020 (BY ZOOM)

Greetings from the International Board.

We are having a zoom meet on September 20, 2020 for all the delegates of member countries, and floor members on the following topics;

Topic: HYM 2020

1. The election of VP elect should be one year prior to the post, and not as two years at present
2. Lets make a Tabler
3. 41ER World
4. Presentation of the RTI family Logo
5. The revised Budgets for the year 2019-21 and 2021-22

The Zoom invite details are as follows;

Zoom meeting Sept 20, 2020 09:30 AM CET (8.30 AM BST)

Topic: International HYM Meet

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82603377434?pwd=eWNKZ2xHYIRvdFV3MXQveFpiekx0UT09>

Meeting ID: 826 0337 7434

Passcode: HYM2020

Warm regards

Gopal Chopra

41 International Secretary 2019-22

The above International HYM is open to all members – do join in.

More details on the 5 topics can be found on the International website, www.41international.net

Andy Ventress

National IRO



BEWARE COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT A REPEAT WARNING



We have highlighted this issue in a previous magazine (April 2020) and in the last newsletter, but regrettably the message isn't getting through to all clubs. A small hi-tech industry of virtual clammers has sprung up which uses bots to trawl the internet to find images whose use requires a licence because they are copyrighted. We have had to put on-line issues of our magazine and some newsletters behind password walls to prevent clubs falling victim to these bots. They are costing clubs money so please ensure that any images/pictures you use are either copyright free or that you own the copyright to them. A suggested site to use to source copyright free images is www.pixabay.com

We know that where it occurs in 41 Club it is done in error, with no malicious or commercial intent, but it still amounts to a breach of copyright even if the image(s) concerned are taken down immediately on becoming aware there is an issue.

If you are misfortunate enough to receive demands from PicRights or any similar company, please advise us and we will give you guidance and will seek to assist you in resolving the issue.

Don Mullane

National Comms & I.T. Officer

AN UPDATE ON THE 41CLUB 75TH CELEBRATIONS

This year has become almost impossible to plan large events due to Covid-19.

The good news! We have secured a new date in **2021, July 9th /10th (save the date)**.

The venue will remain the same, The Orchard Hotel Conference Centre in the amazing grounds of Nottingham University Park.

The event theme will embrace the original celebration plans for the 75 Years of Continued Friendships, including friends of 41Club from all over the world. It will be a time to truly come together, a time to rekindle so much of what we have missed but not lost. A time to meet again.

Details of all daytime events will go live on September 25th, however you can book now for evening events via www.41club75.org

In summary

Daytime Events are planned such as a Gin Tasting, River Trent Cruise and sightseeing events around so many iconic areas of Nottingham, the home of Robin Hood and his merry men and women.

Evening Events will have vibrant themes.

July 9th 2021

A truly international fellowship feel in the guise of a Nations Night, foods from all over the world, vibrant music to suit all tastes and world class entertainment.

July 10th 2021

“We’ll Meet Again Ball” – Celebrating 75years of Friendship, we will oil those hinges, dance to a magnificent band, and share some truly inspirational stories.

The PLC team are determined to deliver a world class event, one that I truly believe we will all be ready for.

Over the next few weeks, I will share live video of our plans via the membership facebook group and via the newsletter to bring to life our plans.

Book in from September 25th 2020, for those previously booked all your details have been transferred over, so you have nothing to worry about.

It has been a difficult year for everyone, now is the time for optimism for the future.

Would you or your business like to join ours sponsorship for the event and have a unique coverage for your branding, please contact marcus142@live.co.uk

Yours in Kindness and Continued Fellowship

Marcus Jones

Peter’s PLC Chairman



DON'T FORGET OUR 75TH YEAR GIFTS VIA [HTTPS://41CLUB75.ORG/75TH-GIFTS/](https://41club75.org/75th-gifts/)

41 CLUBS VERY OWN GIN!

75TH YEAR PINS AND CUFFS (SEE NEXT PAGE FOR A SELECTION)

Our 75th Gifts

You can view and purchase any of our gifts

41 Club 75th Gold Pin



Celebrating 75 years GOLD finish pin badge.
Presented Boxed

Pin is 24 x 10mm clutch pin fixing

£5

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41 Club 75th Silver Pin



Celebrating 75 years SILVER finish pin badge.
Presented Boxed

Pin is 24 x 10mm clutch pin fixing

£5

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41 Club 75th Gold Cufflinks

41 Club 75th Gold Cufflinks



Celebrating 75 years GOLD finish Cufflink set.
Presented Boxed

Cufflink is 24 x 10

£15

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41 Club 75th Silver Cufflinks



Celebrating 75 years SILVER finish Cufflink set.
Presented Boxed

Cufflink is 24 x 10mm

£15

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41 Club 75th Gold Cufflinks & Pin Set



Celebrating 75 years GOLD finish Pin Badge & Cufflink set.
Both Boxed

41 Club 75th Silver Cufflinks & Pin Set



Celebrating 75 years SILVER finish Pin Badge & Cufflink set.
Both Boxed



AND FINALLY....

1. In the 1400s a law was set forth in England that a man was allowed to beat his wife with a stick no thicker than his thumb. Hence we have 'the rule of thumb.'
2. Many years ago, in Scotland, a new game was invented. It was ruled 'Gentlemen Only...Ladies Forbidden'... and thus the word GOLF entered into the English language.
3. Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history: Spades - King David, Hearts - Charlemagne, Clubs - Alexander the Great, Diamonds - Julius Caesar
4. In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the phrase..... 'goodnight, sleep tight.'
5. It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month, which we know today as the honeymoon.
6. In English pubs, ale was traditionally ordered by pints and quarts...So in old England, when customers got unruly, the bartender would yell at them 'Mind your pints and quarts, and settle down.' It's where we get the phrase 'mind your P's and Q's'
7. Many years ago, in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim or handle of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. 'Wet your whistle' is the phrase inspired by this practice.
8. In 1696, William III of England introduced a property tax that required those living in houses with more than six windows to pay a levy. In order to avoid the tax, house owners would brick up all windows except six. (The Window Tax lasted until 1851, and older houses with bricked-up windows are still a common sight in the U.K.) As the bricked-up windows prevented some rooms from receiving any sunlight, the tax was referred to as "daylight robbery"!
9. The Oxford Dictionary is preparing to remove the word 'gullible' from its next edition after a committee agreed that the term may cause offence to some people. In an effort to 'clean up' the Oxford Dictionary, the word 'gullible' will no longer be defined within its pages. The committee hopes this will cause the word to die out. 'Calling somebody "gullible" is deeply insulting and offensive and we don't want the dictionary to be a book of hate. After careful consideration we have decided to remove it entirely,' said Ken Simon, a professor of the English language. It's believed that other words deemed to be insulting or offensive will also go. 'But not "cock", "tits", "wank", or "f*ck". We've found those are the most searched for words and the dictionary would be a lot less funny without them,' said Simon. 'Gullible' has already been removed from several of the most popular online dictionaries, having been replaced by support forums for the victims of microaggressions.

KEEP SAFE EVERYONE.