

# The Association of Ex-Round Tablers' Clubs Great Britain and Ireland

A proud member of the Round Table Family







## Winchester 41 Club Raise £4,000 for local Motor Neurone Disease **Association in Southampton**



Club Chairman Winchester 41 Tom Dierckx recently presented a £4,000 for cheque to the Southampton branch of the Motor Disease Neurone Association (MNDA).

The presentation was particularly significant as Winchester 41 Club President Graeme Sewell (pictured holding the cheque) diagnosed with MND in October 2022.

Graeme has been a member of Winchester 41 Club for the last 23 years and has been Chairman (twice!), and still attends meetings whenever possible.

The funds were raised through a combination of events over the last 18 months including the annual Winchester Peddle, Paddle, Pace (a triathlon with a difference organised by the Winchester Round Table Family to support local charities and community groups), a Winchester 41 Club fund-raising Ceilidh, organised by the IPC Conor Gately, as well as working in partnership with Winchester Round Table at their annual Bonfire & Fireworks display.

MNDA focuses on improving access to care, research and campaigning for those people living with or affected by MND.

At a local level this means they sit alongside the NHS & the Hospice and the funds they receive are used to produce a monthly newsletter, provide advice on applying for disability benefits, grants for equipment to help with quality of life, plus regular meetings and days out.





On a practical level each person is assigned an Associate Visitor who is available to talk through all aspects of their condition and the support that may be available to them and their partner.

Winchester 41 Club Chairman Tom Dierckx commented "we are pleased to have had the opportunity to support MNDA at a local level and we hope our contribution will help in the good work that the MNDA carries out."

"Winchester 41 Club have adopted a small community role and would like to help make a difference within the local community whilst at the same time supporting our younger club, Winchester Round Table. This is also a reason why a large number of Winchester Round Table members are transitioning into Winchester 41 Club as charity is close to their hearts."

Fundraising in support of











## Welcome to the February Newslettter



Welcome to the June edition of the newsletter. We are halfway through the year yet still waiting for summer to fully arrive. However, it means the start of the events period, the international AGM was held in Marrakesh over the weekend of May 31st to 2nd June where Barry Durman passed on the International Presidency of 41 Club International. Congratulations on a very successful year.



Forthcoming events start with the National Classic Car Rally on June 21st, then the National Caravan and Camping Rally on 13th to 16th September. There are several other National Events including Membership Roadshows. Full details of all are available on the website.

Many clubs will be holding their own events and this year there are many important Charters ending in a zero making them special. So please send articles or reports on events for the newsletter, magazine and website – photographs too, for sharing the good times, please keep the copy coming.

Have a great, successful and enjoyable summer.

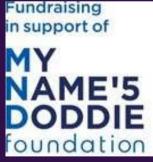


Dave Chard,
National Communications and IT Officer

# IN THIS NEWSLETTER

Various articles
PLUS the usual details of events by clubs and
Internationally, plus members welfare, plus members
benefits - too much to itemise individually, just read
and enjoy!





The Association of Ex-Round Tablers' Clubs
of Great Britain and Ireland
A member of the Round Table Family of Clubs
www.41club.org
ADMINISTRATION
41 Club, Marchesi House
4 Embassy Drive
Edgbaston Birmingham B15 1TP

Although 41 Club makes every effort to ensure accuracy, we can accept no responsibility for errors or omissions, or guarantee an advertising insertion, date, position or special promotion.

Please send all correspondence and items for publication to comms@41club.org



# Wynn Parry National President 202425



It's been a couple of months since I became your National President and it's been a busy time. I have been travelling up and down the country visiting clubs along the way.

As I announced at the AGM, a review of all aspects of our Association is currently being undertaken, meetings have been held, more are scheduled and we are on course to present the initial findings at the July National Council Meeting. In line with my strapline for the year of "Your Opinion Counts", we want you to tell us what you think about 41 Club, whether it be good or bad. Primarily we want to know what you'd like to change, why and what your solution is.

The Membership roadshows are starting at the end of June, the first one being in Leeds on the 29th June with 5 or 6 others schedule throughout the year around the country, I encourage all clubs to send a representative to one of these roadshows. The XRT initiative is gathering momentum and I've already been involved in the Chartering of 2 XRT new Clubs, L.O.T.S. XRT and Chester XRT with a total of 17 new members.

In the May I attended the Round Table AGM in Bournemouth, Wolverhampton's 60th Charter, Eastbourne's 75th Charter, Ringwood's 60th Charter and Calpe's Charter, I also visited Birmingham Jewellery Quarter and Huddersfield Pendragon, Deeside, Chester Grosvenor Knights and City of London. All really great events of fun and fellowship. I have received generous donations to my Charities and the responses to the "Your Opinion Counts" initiative has been reassuring. I have a busy schedule ahead of me, in June by time this newsletter is published I will have been to Marrakech, representing 41 Club GB&I at the 41 International AGM. In June there are 13 club visits in the diary along with the Classic Car Rally, the Past Presidents weekend and last but not least the Tangent President's Charity lunch and World Record attempt.

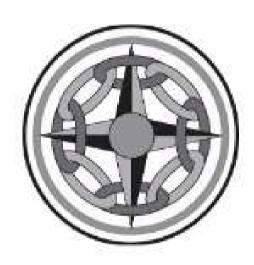
I am pleased to take this opportunity to welcome all of the new members to the Board & Council, thank them for their commitment to our Association and I look forward to working with them over the next few years.

## **Wynn Parry**



Fundraising in support of

# MY NAME'5 DODDIE foundation



and



motor neurone disease association

Wynn Parry, President of 41 Club, has chosen to support two MND charities during his year in post (April 2023-24). Find out more about each of the charities below, and by following the QR codes to their websites.

## My Name'5 Doddie Foundation

My Name's Doddie Foundation has a clear vision of a world free of motor neuron disease. The charity was established by Doddie Weir and the trustees in November 2017 following Doddie's diagnosis with MND. It was founded in response to his frustration at the lack of options given to MND patients – no effective treatment, no access to meaningful clinical trials and no hope. The aims of the Foundation are simple:

- To raise funds to aid research into the causes of MND and investigate potential cures.
- To make grants to individuals suffering from MND, to enable them to live as fulfilled a life as possible.

## Motor Neurone Disease Association

The MND Association improve care and support for people with MND and their families and carers. We fund research that leads to new understanding and treatments and brings us closer to a world free of MND. We campaign and raise awareness, so the needs of people affected by MND are recognised and addressed by wider society.





## **Jason Thompson**

## ROUND TABLE FAMILY

## National Vice President 2024-25



I am honoured and privileged to have been elected as your National Vice President at our recent National Conference in Liverpool. I would just like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Past Treasurer, Kevin Lovett, for stepping up and his dedication to the Association; I know he will continue to deliver for 41 Club in the future! I am very much looking forward to the year ahead working the National with Council President Wynn as 'Your Opinion Counts' and we are keen to consult with the membership to move our Association forward.

As Vice President, my role is to lead the Forward Planning committee, whose primary task is to help steer and shape the future of our Association for the benefit of us all. The National Council have agreed a full review of the Association and approved the Terms of Reference which I have coordinated writing. The review will comprise of two working streams, Service Delivery and Governance & Structure, both will cover the 7 pillars outlined in the 41 Club strategy and will overlap ensuring we have integrated and coherent outcomes

One of the main points I made in my speech at the National AGM was that there are so many accomplished members in our Association, and we can achieve so much more when we pool our ideas, skills and enthusiasm. Put simply, **we need to team up and get stuck in.** The involvement of our members is important, and the review includes fifteen members who have put themselves forward to support this pivotal piece of work, with set timelines for delivery. I look forward to working with them over these next 12 months. Maybe you would be interested in joining one of the seven committees that we have; (Membership, Fellowship, Finance and Admin for example) if so, please get in touch...**be part of the present to deliver the future!** 





Part of the review will draw on information gathered from the recent survey that I led on. We now know the demographic of our membership, have the facts to work with and can see the opportunities available to us. The results of the survey coupled with the outcomes from our review will support us in formulating 41 Club's future; developing a vision and aspiration for its growth!

I also made clear in my speech that membership matters most. We need to respond to the needs of our existing members whilst working to attract new ones.

In terms of **retaining members**, communication, both external and internal, is vital in keeping you informed, engaged, and interested and is crucial in bringing us together as a cohesive whole. I want to help you maximise your membership so that you know what is happening, what is available and what support there is on offer.

But we also need to work on **recruiting members** by reaching out and reintroducing those who never followed over from Table to 41 Club or asking a likeminded friend along to a meeting. And some of us may even want to consider a different structure, model or profile for a club as long as it meets the interests of members. Also, by raising our external profile, sharing our good news stories, shouting about how great we are at giving back and showing how **we are still doing more**, people will know more about the contribution we make to society and could be motivated to join.

## The more members, the more collaboration, the more resources, the more success!

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you want to discuss any of the above or are keen to be involved in the future direction of the Association. I look forward to meeting up with many of you in the near future and seeing first-hand the continued fellowship which is the fabric of our Association.

**YiCF** 

Jason Thomson - JT

vicepresident@41club.org



## National Membership Officer Peter McBride



#GETINVOLVED



BE A PART OF THE FUTURE

416 lub

PERTH
1/2 Feb 25

LEEDS
29/30 Jun 24

LEICESTER
19/20 Oct 24

BRISTOL
21/22 Sep 24

BRENTWOOD
8/9 Feb 25

MAIDSTONE
16/17 Nov 24

# **REGIONAL ROADSHOWS**

41 CLUB ARE RUNNING A SERIES OF MEMBERSHIP ROADSHOWS, AIMED AT HELPING YOUR CLUB TO PROMOTE THEMSELVES AND GAIN NEW MEMBERS. WITH SEVERAL DATES AND LOCATIONS AROUND THE COUNTRY PLEASE SELECT THE ONE THAT SUITS YOU BELOW.

THE ROADSHOWS WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE TOOLS REQUIRED TO GROW YOUR CLUB, FROM ONLINE PRESENCE AND HOW YOU PRESENT TO THE COMMUNITY, TO BUILDING AN ENGAGING PROGRAM AND ATTRACTING EX TABLERS AND INVITED MEMBERS. DELEGATES SHOULD COME WITH A POSITIVE ATTITUDE, EAGER TO BOOST THEIR CLUBS' MEMBERSHIP, BE READY FOR CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS, AND BE OPEN-MINDED AND PROACTIVE IN EXPLORING WAYS TO HELP THE ASSOCIATION GROW. DELEGATES WILL ALSO NEED TO BRING BACK THE TOOLS, TECHNIQUES, AND IDEAS FROM THE ROADSHOWS TO THEIR OWN CLUBS, INSPIRING REAL CHANGE...

ACCOMMODATION IS PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE FOR UP TO 2 MEMBERS OF EACH CLUB, BASED ON SHARING A ROOM. A SINGLE ROOM CAN BE REQUESTED BY PAYING THE £70 SINGLE SUPPLEMENT. UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL CLUB MEMBERS CAN ALSO ATTEND (SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY) FOR AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF £50 PER PERSON FOR A SHARED ROOM, OR £120 FOR A SINGLE ROOM.

EACH ROADSHOW STARTS AT 10AM ON THE SATURDAY AND WILL BE FINISHED BY 12PM ON THE SUNDAY, WITH LUNCH ON THE SATURDAY AND DINNER IN THE EVENING FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP AND FUN AT YOUR LEISURE.

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO NETWORK WITH FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS, SHARE INSIGHTS, AND LEARN VALUABLE TECHNIQUES TO EXPAND AND MAINTAIN OUR 41 CLUB FAMILY. TOGETHER, WE CAN CREATE A STRONGER AND MORE VIBRANT CLUB FOR TODAY AND THE FUTURE.



roadshows.41clubevents.co.uk







# Brentwood 41 Club

We warmly invite you to join us at our 60th Charter Night

## **Diamond Anniversary**

To help celebrate 60 years of fellowship, we are delighted that our speaker at this special meeting is none other than Mark Smith, best known as the military expert on the "Antiques Roadshow". An outstanding presenter and the leading authority on the Victoria Cross, the subject of his talk will be "Operation Deadstick", part of the story leading up to the 'D-Day' Landings.

- Ivy Hill Hotel Writtle Road, Margaretting, Chelmsford, Essex. CM4 0EH
- Thursday 1st August 2024 (6.30 for 7.00pm)
- Just £40 per head (What good value!!)
- Dress code Lounge suit and regalia
- · Bring as many guests as you can make up a table?

## Menu

(Please choose between the options)

Crumbled stilton, roasted cashews & poached pear salad, red wine reduction

Herb crusted rump of lamb, dauphinoise potatoes, chantenay carrots, fine beans, red current jus or a vegetarian option Flat field mushroom pithivier, stilton & spinach, creamy leek sauce

Lemon meringue pie with raspberry coulis

Fresh fruit salad

Tea, Coffee & Mints



Whether on your own, a pair or with a group, please convey the necessary details ASAP to Bob Gammon no later than Monday 22nd July.

(bob.gammon888@hotmail.co.uk) 01245 420485 or 07941 790326 (Guest names, menu choices, seating preferences and any special dietary requests)

Payment method:

Bank transfer to Brentwood & District 41 Club. 30 91 17 01437563

We're looking forward to celebrating with you the past 60 years (1964-2024)







# An Evening with motorneurone disease a Rugby Legend

Fundraising in support of

Join us at Headingley Stadium, Leeds for a 3 course meal with Jamie Jones-Buchanan MBE and Comedian Billy Wheadon

Wednesday 31st July

6:30pm for 7:30pm

**Dress Code: Smart** 

Cost: £60 per person

Book via: wynnparry.co.uk/events/Leeds

In support of MNDA and The My Name's Doddie Foundation

Accommodation is available at the Headingley Lodge Hotel reservations@headingleylodge.co.uk

booking code July1

Tel: 0113 2033893









## Two Diamonds Found in Market Harborough



It all started in 1964 in Ashby de la Zouche, a market town in Leicestershire when Tony Wren joined Round Table and the following week his wife Pat joined Ladies Circle. Back in the day, Pat could only join Ladies Circle if she was married to a Round Tabler – how times have changed thankfully.

After 6 years in Ashby de la Zouche Round Table and Ladies Circle, they arrived in Market Harborough in 1970 and immediately became a formidable driving force in the local Round Table Family.

Tony has been in the Chair of Market Harborough 41 Club twice but has been outdone by Pat who has not only been Chair of Market Harborough Tangent twice but also Chair of both Ashby de la Zouche and Market Harborough Ladies Circles.

Over the years they have been involved in everything going on in the Market Harborough Round Table Family - 60 years of twinning with Halle Round Table and 41 Club in Belgium; running a major fund raiser with Fanny and Jonnie Craddock; the Market Harborough Carnival and going to many Round Table and 41 Club conferences as you can see as Tony tries to hide his modesty at a Round Table National Conference.

And so, this year we come to the Diamond Jubilee of Tony and Pat being members of the Round Table Family - we think that makes them a unique couple but please let us know if you can match their achievement.



In recognition of his dedicated service to the Club, Chairman Astley Sharples presents Tony with an engraved tankard – unfortunately not filled.





# FUN QUIZ AND BARBECUE EVENING



# A fundraising event, with some fun and fellowship along the way.

An invitation to Round Table Family members, their families, friends and guests. You are all welcome to come along to a Quiz and Barbecue Evening, to raise funds for Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre Norfolk. This is a local charity, based in Norwich, which supports all those with MS and other neurological conditions in Norfolk. To discover more about the charity, find us <a href="here">here</a>. We will be pleased to welcome 41 Club National President Wynn Parry to the evening.

## Thursday 11th July 2024, at 7:00p.m.

Bawburgh Village Hall, Stocks Hill, Bawburgh, Norfolk, NR9 3LL

Cost - £25, to include a barbecue meal. Cash bar will be available.

Limited places, so book your tickets early via TicketSource, click

here





## 41 Club – Fun Quiz and Barbecue Evening on 11th July 2024

In support of Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre Norfolk

Fun Quiz and Barbecue Evening

Thursday 11th July 2024 from 7:00pm onwards

You are all welcome to come along to a Fun Quiz and Barbecue Evening, which will be a fellowship and fundraising event taking place on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July**, open to all members of 41 Club and the wider Round Table family.

The quizmaster will be none other than Bernard Elwen, the current 41 Club National Secretary. The evening will be in support of Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre Norfolk. This is a local charity, based in Norwich, which offers therapy, information and support to all those with MS and other neurological conditions in Norfolk. There will be several entertaining rounds, involving taste as well as general knowledge and trivia. You are welcome to enter a team from your club, or you may just want to come along and join a team when you get there.

Find out more about the charity by clicking here. What We Do (mstcn.org.uk)

We will be pleased to welcome 41 Club National President Wynn Parry to the evening.

Thursday 11th July 2024, at 7:00p.m. <u>Bawburgh</u> Village Hall, Stocks Hill, <u>Bawburgh</u>, Norfolk, NR9 3LL Cost - £25, to include a barbecue meal. Cash bar will be available.

Limited places, so book your tickets early via <u>TicketSource</u>, <a href="https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/">https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/</a> multiple-sclerosis-therapy-centre-norfolk







www.scotland2025.co.uk





## Essex Ex-Tablers converge in style at Region 18 Cluster Night



Monday, March 11th saw a gathering of seventy ex-Tablers meet at the Best Western Ivy Hill Hotel just outside Chelmsford. Twenty-three different 41 Clubs were represented and were roundly well fed, watered and 'entertained'.

The night had been themed as "An Evening of Old Friends and Old Jokes – and maybe some new ones, too." This objective was achieved beyond expectations. Chelmsford 41 Club hosted the evening and, boasting John Spence CBE DL, as its Chairman for the Year certainly had more than a head start in delivering on the theme. We welcomed, as the Guest Speaker, (and offensively as The Entertainment) the one, and only, Gerard O'Herlihy which was this pairs first joint event since the celebration of Round Tables' 80th Charter with HRH Prince Phillip in attendance. Both men were exceptional on the night and reminded many in the room that they were still probably the best after dinner Speakers in either Round Table or 41 Club, and they left the audience wanting more, for certain.

A myriad of Star Guests included the current and two past 41 Club National Presidents; four past RTBI National Presidents - of which two were also past International RTBI Presidents - and one is now, also, the National President elect for 41 Club. National Officers and Councillors also made the effort to attend the function – and they all added to a splendid evening of fun, fellowship and real belly laughs. Oh yes, there were some substantive, but all bought and paid for, bellies!!

Organiser and MC, David Campbell, steered the evening and enjoyed the support of some past Essex Legends with Grace from Bill Hollis, a Loyal Toast from John Barnes and a Vote of Thanks from Jim Conway. Steve James gave an update on National 41Club with his Presidential Year ending shortly, and Jason Thomson updated us of the newly elected Region 18 National Councillor.

An outstanding event was enjoyed by all in attendance and was a fantastic reminder that we can still replicate the great nights we loved in Round Table. Some guests wore their red and cream 'deck chair' jackets to celebrate 20 years since Essex hosted the National Conference in Southend-on-Sea! More would have – especially your Reporter, if only it still fitted him!





Gerard O'Herlihy was most generous in requesting a donation to Prostate Cancer in lieu of any gift or expenses, which enabled Chelmsford to provide President Steve with £300.00 for his Presidential Charity. Thanks to those that attended and especially to those who made the effort to travel a distance to be with us. We already have a date earmarked for next year – so keep an eye out for news to follow soon.



Of all the memories that the evening gave us, Gerard left us with a timely and heartfelt reminder – get a PSA Test undertaken by your GP for early detection and timely intervention for Prostate Cancer. My sincere thanks again to Gerard for his part in an outstanding night.

# Help Graham and the "House of Hope" The Round Table Family Appeal for the Ukraine

We are sure you already know that the Round Table Family has been providing much needed humanitarian aid to the people of the Ukraine since the war started, directed through the Round Table Family Foundation Germany (Stiftung Round Table Family Deutschland) and in particular their Convoys of Hope. Support from 41 Clubs and individual 41ers has been outstanding but as the war continues, help is needed even more. That's why the Round Table Family are at the forefront in supporting the House of Hope, a much-needed sanctuary in Moldova for Ukrainian refugees.

## IT WILL ONLY TAKE 10 MINUTES

We could tell you in detail about the House of Hope but instead of doing that, we just ask you to pause and take 10 minutes of your time to watch a couple of videos which will show you, far better than words, what the Round Table Family's support means to the House of Hope and Pastor Kirill – the driving force of the House Of Hope.





A short video presentation of progress at the House of Hope - well 10 mins





## WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?



You will remember that earlier in the year we told you Graham Hunter, the Chairman of London Old Tablers Society (LOTS) has "Taken the Pledge" for the whole of 2024 and a lot of people have already offered to donate £10 to the House of Hope for every stone in weight that he loses.

To date Graham has lost 2 stone but is still "Keeping the Pledge" until the final weigh in at the 2024 European Capitals Meeting (ECM) in Copenhagen on Saturday 28th September.

In Graham's own words "4 stone = 25 kg or 1 bag of plaster. A 25kg bag of plaster costs approximately £10.00 at most DIY stores, which will cover approximately 10m2 of a wall. £10.00 is how much we are asking for each stone of weight I lose before the ECM in September. If I achieve my target, each sponsor will have helped buy at least 4 bags of plaster.

So far, I have lost 2 stone, so each generous soul could buy 2 bags each. Help me and the House of Hope cover those walls".

So, join everybody who is already sponsoring Graham for as much as you want. Just email <u>ralph.preston99@gmail.com</u> how much you want to sponsor him for and once we have had the final weigh in on September 28th, we will let you know the cost of your sponsorship.

Once all the sponsorship money has been collected, we will make a donation on behalf of "Graham's Pledge" to the House of Hope.

Or, you can simply make a donation either as an individual or as a Club by transferring money to London Old Tablers' Society ["LOTS"] at 40-26-07 a/c # 01378384 with the reference "HOPE\_\_\_\_\_\_" followed by your surname or Club name.

LOTS will pay the monies over to Stiftung Round Table Family Deutschland and the money will be used directly by the Round Table Family to support House of Hope. (There are no hidden charges so every £ raised is donated to House of Hope).

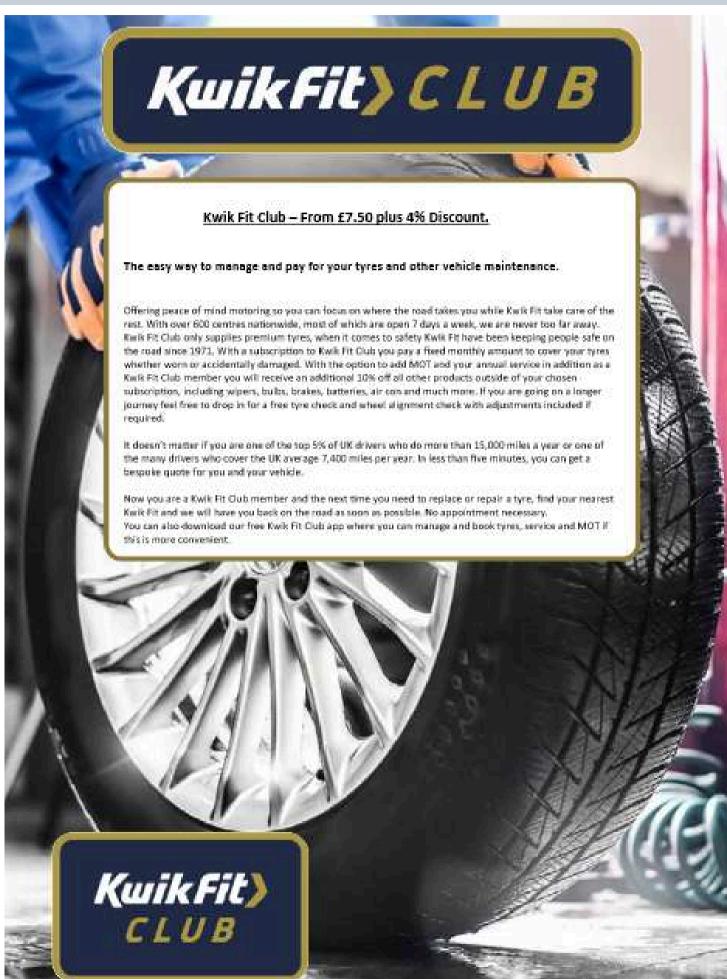
We will of course let you know the final result of Graham's weigh in!!!

## "HELP GRAHAM HELP THE HOUSE OF HOPE".

Bob Parton (Germany Old Tablers 46 Karlsruhe) and Ralph Preston (London Old Tablers Society)











## **Insurance Review**

## Accidents do happen - and so do claims!

During the past few months, we have reviewed our insurance programme to ensure that clubs and members are protected as well as possible. This includes increasing our Public Liability cover to £20m, particularly for national and large regional and charitable events, reflecting increases in payout awards and the 'No Blame' culture.

To assist clubs, we have published several documents providing information on our current arrangements and advice on running events - the main one being the **41 Club Insurance Guide 2024 /25**, which can be found on the website.

This provides a summary of the policies and automatic cover being provided for the majority of activities arranged by clubs. However, as with all insurance policies there are always exclusions and conditions in respect of specific activities and examples of these, where special arrangements are required are also included.

It recommended that clubs read the insurance guide as cover may need to be reviewed to meet the requirements of individual club, area and / regional events, especially if they are potentially hazardous or high-risk activities.

Should questions arise please email insurance@41club.co.uk in the first instance or contact our insurance brokers Bartlett's – contact details on page 4 of the guide.

Other documents available on the website:

**41club Event Organisers Manual** 

**41club Event Planning Tool** 

**Health and Safety** 

**41club TWIMC (To whom it may concern)** letter providing written evidence of our Public Liability cover often required by third parties where events are being held.











# WHITE ROSE DINNER 2024

Members of Beverley &
District 41 club,
invite you to
join them on
Friday 11th
41

October 2024

## Aviation in Yorkshire themed evening

Three course Yorkshire dinner - 7:00 for 7:30 pm, Friday 11th October.

Guest speaker - Martin Cliff, with 25,000+ flying hours in his logbook, recently retired British Airways Captain. With extensive experience of aviation's most iconic jet airliners, he has operated in the majority of the World's most challenging international airports. As an RAF fast-jet pilot, Martin specialised in the demanding Harrier ground attack regime and served operationally in RAF Germany, Iraq and the former Republic of Yugoslavia. Finally, a 3 year tour with The Red Arrows completes his unique flying CV that boasts, most importantly, the same number of landings as take offs!

Beverley Brass Band -The band has been entertaining the public of Beverley and the East Riding of Yorkshire for many years. The band is noted for playing a wide range of music including modern popular music, arrangements from the shows and film music, not forgetting a wide selection of traditional transcripts from well-known orchestral and brass band composers.

Dress Code - Black tie + medals

Ticket Price - £45

Venue - Cave Castle Hotel Church Hill South Cave HU15 2EU Special rates for overnight guests.

Golfing package available. (book direct with the hotel - 01430 422245

White Rose Dinner Bookings -

whiterosedinner2024@g

mail.com

Enquiries - Garry

Asbery: 07747 776 026 whiterosedinner2024@

gmail.com

or Paul Gibson : 07711

967709

# 41 CLUB OXFORD COLLEGE DINNER EXETER COLLEGE - OXFORD



## FRIDAY 25th OCTOBER 2024 7:30pm BLACK TIE AND JEWELS

**GUEST SPEAKERS: KING HENRY VIII** 

&

WYNN PARRY - 41 CLUB NATIONAL PRESIDENT TICKETS £80

FOR BOOKING FORM: https://shorturl.at/flrxF

FURTHER DETAILS FROM MARTIN GREEN martin@martingreen.biz
ORGANISED BY ISIS AREA 41 CLUB







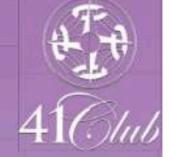


THE AWARD-WINNING TOUR SPECIALIST

# Experience the Extraordinary on a fully inclusive escorted group tour

The 41 Club are excited to announce that we have teamed up with the UK's leading touring specialist, Wendy Wu Tours. Offering extraordinary, fully inclusive escorted group tours to Japan, China, Southeast Asia, India, Sri Lanka, Africa, Central Asia, the Middle East, Europe and Latin America, your adventure with Wendy Wu Tours will be full of iconic highlights, hidden gems and authentic cultural experiences.

As a 41 Club member, you can enjoy an exclusive 5% discount on any tour featured in Wendy Wu's extensive collection. Visit wendywutours as uk to see their full range of tours



EXCLUSIVE MEMBER OFFER 5% Off ANY Wendy Wu tour\*



## Exclusive 5% off ANY Wendy Wu Tour for 41 Club members Here are just some of the most popular tours...

Tours include return flights, all hotels, all meals, expert guide, all transport in destination, all sightseeing & entrance fee



#### WONDERS OF CHINA

16-day fully inclusive tour From £4,290pp

China is a land of many wonders – ancient and modern, natural and manmade. This is a comprehensive journey through China's most iconic sights, from the magnificent Great Wall to the mightly Yangtze River.



#### JAPAN UNCOVERED

17-day fully inclusive tour From £7,590pp

This extensive Japan tour includes all the classic sights and key cultural activities. Featuring modern cities, historic sights and beautiful landscapes, this tour ensures you get the most out of your trip to this f



#### ANGKOR TO THE BAY

17-day fully inclusive tour From £4,490pp

Take a voyage of discovery from the breathtaking temples of Anglier in Cambodia, through to the spectacular natural grandeur of Halong Bay in Vietnam, experiencing all manner of delights along the way.

Use code 41CLUB5 to claim your 5\* discount at time of booking.

To book, call our Reservations Team on 0808 239 5017 or email Keith Norman at keith@wendywutours.co.uk

\*Prices are correct as of 8 March 2024. The discount code must be used at time of booking and cannot be added retrospectively. Membership will need to be ratified to ensure membership criteria is met. The discount is applicable to direct bookings only with Wendy Wu Tours. Please note, halidays booked more than 11 months in advance may be subject to supplements when airline farss are published. Wendy Wu Tours reserve the right to withdraw the discount at any time and without prior notice.



## National IRO Kevin Stewart



## **IRO Report**

## Finnish AGM IKalinnen

It was a very early morning departure to catch the first of the morning's flights as I set off for my first trip of 2024 to the Finnish AGM in Ikalinnen. I was flying to Amsterdam with a connecting flight to Helsinki where I would then be picked up by Andy, the Finnish IRO. At Schipol I met up with a Swiss 41er who was on the same flight as me to Helsinki. Having landed at Helsinki, we both received a text from KLM saying that our luggage had not come with us and would be sent on the next flight. Immediately I had visions of emergency clothes buying, but in all fairness, KLM had our luggage at the hotel the next day.

Andy the Finnish IRO picked us up at the Airport and following a bite to eat and a stop off at a local brewery we then drove for 3 hours to Ikalinnen. Arriving at the hotel, we then spotted familiar faces and spent the night catching up. Suffice to say, given the beer and food costs I was not going to be drinking much.

The international welcome was held on Friday lunchtime and by that time our numbers had swelled considerably, including Barry Durman 41 Club International President. The next event was a traditional Finnish smoke sauna which turned into a bit of a competition to see who could last the longest as the temperature rose. Needless to say, there were a variety of spirits consumed and although a couple of mad Finns rolled in the snow, there was no way I was going that far!

The evening's Friday night entertainment was country bumkin style, so lots of people dressed in farmer's outfits and dancing to a Country and Western band. Line dancing was the order of the night and even I surprised myself by actually doing a dance or two, given that I have two left feet!



On the Saturday morning, we were introduced to the AGM and then once wrapped up warmly, proceeded to have a morning of crazy Finnish snow sports. These included teams racing against each other, with teams of 4 being attached to very long skis. It wasn't long before there were a few pile-ups. The next

game was pushing a sledge around an obstacle course, followed by how quickly teams could aim and fire tennis balls into a bucket at a faraway distance. Although it was bitterly cold, the whole morning was a good laugh.





The gala dinner at night had reindeer on the menu. It was like having venison at home, followed by a few local delicacies. We danced the night away to traditional Finnish folk tunes along with a variety of modern songs as well-the Finns certainly know how to waltz.

In the morning it was time to say goodbye and back to the airport, but that journey was certainly an eye opener. There had been a fall of snow during the night and although the motorway was ploughed to a certain extent, there was still 2 lanes of traffic hammering along at 75mph on compacted snow. As Andy, the Finnish IRO commented, having winter tyres and being taught to drive on snow was nothing to the ordinary Finn.

I arrived home late Sunday evening and happy to report that this time my luggage did accompany me!



## **Belgium 50th Charter Celebrations**

The following Friday, it was another early start as I set of for the Belgium 41 Club 50th Charter Celebrations in Brussels, accompanied by my partner in crime Colin McKenzie, Region 1 National Councillor. This time there were no baggage delays as it was a direct flight. However, going with Ryanair was to an airport south of Brussels and that meant a further hour in a bus and a taxi to reach our hotel.





We then met up with a few 41ers for lunch and then headed to one of the famous bars in Brussels. With 200 beers on tap that would lead anyone astray!!! During the afternoon we met up with our hosts along with other internationals and more 41ers

from GB & I.



The weather on the Friday night wasn't great with heavy rain, but the venue where we had dinner certainly made up for it. We were taken to the Atomium, a sci-fi like futuristic structure built for the 1958 world expo. Exploring it was a cross between a light and music show and the corridors of the original star trek spaceship, The Enterprise.

The views from the very top were spectacular and not having a head for heights I didn't go near the viewing windows again after my first look down! We were then treated to an excellent meal with a few local delicacies tried as well-the Belgians certainly know how to do waffles!

On the Saturday we were taken on a guided tour of the important buildings in Brussels and the iconic tourist sites, which included a certain couple of mannequin statues. Brussels is an interesting mix of the old and the modern, from the old gothic squares and cathedral to the modern train stations and office blocks.

In the evening, we attended the HYM, which was conducted in 3 languages, French, German and English. What was interesting to note was that the Belgians were also conducting member surveys to determine the way forward for the organisation. The banner exchange then followed, with a very relaxed and informal buffet meal before the main entertainment of the night. This gave me and Colin, helped by dispensing considerable amounts of whisky, the chance to sell our AGM in Aviemore in 2025.

The evening was finished off by a well-known Belgian popstar from the 90s singing her hits, but the music was certainly not to any ears from GB & I and we decided enough was enough and went back to the hotel. However, waiting for our Uber ride back was interesting as Belgian Farmers that night were in protest mode with tractors blocking roads and a hefty police presence as well.

The next morning was an early start back home, which was a treat for me as most of my return flights so far have been late evenings.

ONLY CES 41 CLUB NATIONAL

# GOLF

**TOURNAMENT 2024** 

Staverton Park Hotel & Golf Club, Northamptonshire

**SUNDAY & MONDAY** 

**SEPT 29 & 30** 

Two rounds of golf Dinner, Bed & Breakfast Bacon rolls on Sunday arrival

£155 pp for twin rooms £195 pp single suppliment

Four-ball teams representing 41 Clubs invited

Entry open to full and honorary members of Affiliated 41 Clubs

Bookings to Peter McBride Membership@41club.org

## CHEADLE & GATLEY 41 CLUB INVITE YOU TO OUR

## **CHARTER CELEBRATIONS**



On 15th November 2024 we will be celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Charter and also the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our founding Table's Charter



Guest Speakers will include the 41 Club National President and "A Tribute to Winston Churchill"

Alma Lodge Hotel Stockport – 7.00pm Black Tie Tickets £45 - Go to www.cg41club.co.uk/charter





### **ALGARVE 41 CLUB**

## **Riding for the Disabled Barlavento**

Algarve 41 Club recently presented Riding for the Disabled Barlavento, Bensafrim, Lagos, https://www.riding4disabled.com/en/contact-rdb/ with a cheque for 500 Euros, the presentation was made by the current Chairman Michael Brown.



Algarve 41 Club Chairman, Michael Brown, presenting Riding for the Disabled with a cheque.

Riding for the disabled was started 15 years ago by Frank Bulmer, a past Chairman of Algarve 41 Club, and is totally dependent on donations from many different sources.

The organisation holds three sessions per week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and can accommodate multiple riders per session. Most riders require three helpers - horse leader and two side walkers, volunteers are very welcome and willing to offer their services will be given full training.

Each session is conducted by a fully qualified instructor.

The therapy on horses utilises the rhythmic, three-dimensional movement of a walking horse. A client appropriately positioned on the horse experiences and responds to significant sensory input. This positions them ideally to develop postural control, equilibrium reactions, balance, co-ordination and spatial orientation. There are also psychological, speech, language and cognitive benefits.

Horse riding is particularly beneficial for pupils who have profound and multiple learning difficulties as it provides a multi-sensory experience which is hard to replicate in any other environment.

41 Club members or Ex Round Tablers who are interested in finding out more about what we do should contact our club secretary i.e. Mike Trice: Email mike.trice46@gmail.com.

Mike Burton, Communications Officer, Algarve 41 Club

## **ULVERSTON 41 CLUB**

## 60th Charter Celebration Lunch

(Men Only)

Thursday 5th September 2024

12.30 for 1.00pm

2 Course lunch including tea, coffee & Birthday cake

£20.00 pp

Dress Code. Lounge suit or Smart Casual. (Medals to be worn)

Venue. Fairfield Hall (01229 821273)
Fairfield Lane, Barrow-in-Furness, LA13 9AH

Contact:- Geoff James 01229 585229/ 07968796692

Email:- geoffmjames@aol.com

Bacs payment preferred or Cheque made payable to :- P.G.Arscott

Bank details:-

Account name: Paul Anthony Barton Account No. 04959134 Sort Code. 09-01-26

Reference:- Your Club Name.

#### **MENU**

#### STARTER

Wild Mushroom Soup

Pate, Savoury Biscuits & Salad Garnish

#### MAIN

Traditional Roast Beef, Roast Potatoes, Vegetables, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy

Chicken Breast with White Wine & Mushroom Sauce, Dauphinoise Potatoes & Vegetables

Salad. (v)

Please let Geoff James know of any Allergies, Intolerances or Dietary Requirements







SAMARITANS

116123
 WWW.SAMARITANS.ORG



0300 772 9626 MENSSHEDS.ORG.UK

HTTPS://



0800 678 1602 WWW.AGEUK.ORG.UK

RG.UK/



0800 048 7462 ABILITYNET.ORG.UK



0800 9177 650 WWW.ALCOHOLICS-ANONYMOUS.ORG.UK

0800 58 58 58 WWW.THECALMZONE.NET



Care Cruse
Bereavement
Care

0808 808 1677 WWW.CRUSE.ORG.UK



116123 WWW.THESILVERLINE. ORG.UK

# BUDDIES 03301 07 07 40

HTTPS://41CLUBCONNECTS.CO.UK/41-CLUB-BUDDYLINE/

# So what is Wider Wallet?



**Wider Wallet** is an exciting discount site, providing **41 Club** members with free access to hundreds of savings on top brands, services, supermarkets, online stores, events and attractions.

## **Boost your spending power**

with discounts on supermarket shopping, high-street stores, DIY, motoring and family finance.

## Maximise your leisure time

with special offers on theme parks, travel, eating out, experience days and family outings.

## Improve your wellbeing

with relaxing spa breaks, gym discounts and great value health insurance.

## What's on offer?

Online discounts: Discounts are available on a wide range of websites. In some cases you will need to quote a discount code when you checkout, whilst in other cases you will be directed to a site which has already had a discount applied. Instructions are shown each time you access an offer.

Reloadable cards: Save money on everyday shopping by purchasing discounted cards for your favourite stores. The reloadable card(s) will be sent to you by post and you can then top them up with a credit or debit card, by phone or online. The discount applies every time you top up, so for every £10 you top up you'll receive more than £10 on your card.

**Discounted gift cards:** Save money on traditional gift cards or e-gift cards by buying them at a discount to face value. We recommend ordering several vouchers at once or combining your order with reloadable cards.

**Downloadable vouchers:** Some of our suppliers provide downloadable vouchers, which you can print. Downloadable vouchers are most often used for leisure activities, such as theme parks and days out.

Cashback: We've teamed up with TopCashback to provide you with access to some fantastic cashback offers. Simply register with TopCashback through Wider Wallet, then use the TopCashback website to shop online. Your cashback will be credited to your TopCashback account and you'll also receive an introductory bonus for registering through Wider Wallet.

Competitions: We love to give back to our users, so we work hard to source some great prizes. Lucky winners have received prizes including: fitness watches, smart speakers, holiday vouchers, tickets to top UK attractions, family passes to popular theme parks and cinema tickets.

Register free at:

## 41CLUB.WIDERWALLET.COM

Using access code:

WW9837N





Save on big brands. Save on travel. Save on days out. Any questions?

Please email **info@widerwallet.com** or call the Wider Wallet team on **0800 612 9015** between 8am to 6pm weekdays.