

Conference Edition

41 Club

THE NEWSLETTER

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Presidential Handover



Pictured is Dave Campbell presenting the Presidential Jewel to the new President 2018-2019, Phill Ellis. Phill is a member of Bangor Co. Down 41 Club and his official



Please help Phill to raise funds for research into Duchenne muscular dystrophy, which affects about 100 boys in the UK each year.

The newsletter depends upon you, the members, for its content, so please forward your items to share with the other members to comms@41club.org

The copy date for the May newsletter is the 30th April.

Items for the website should be sent to webmaster@41club.org

New Life Honorary Member

An era came to an end at Belfast when Honorary Solicitor Paul Cammiss stepped down after 15 years in office. With his previous career at national level, including National President in 2002-2003, it brings to an end a long and distinguished period of service to the club. To Paul's surprise he was awarded the ultimate accolade when he was presented with Life Honorary Membership. He is seen here addressing the AGM after the presentation.



A message from Paul

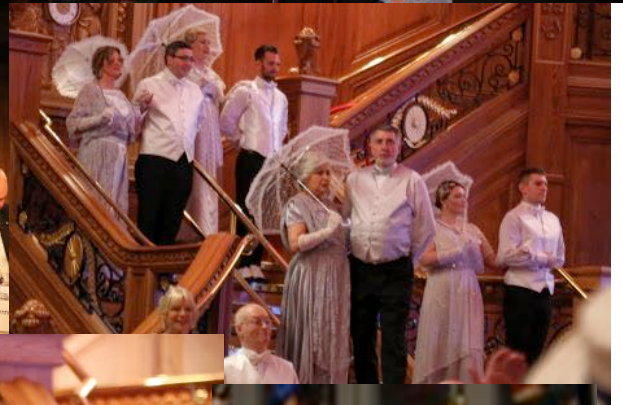
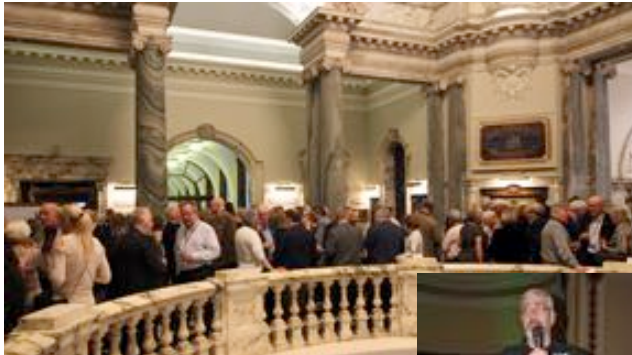
Can I please ask you to allow me to use the medium of the monthly newsletter to express my sincere thanks to the National Council for the great Honour they chose to bestow on me at the AGM by making me a Life Honorary Member. It has been a pleasure to serve the Association in various roles for 25 years since first being elected as a Regional Councillor (as we were then called) in 1992 for East Anglia.

I hope to continue to be around at National Conferences in a totally back bench role for some years to come.

Yours in Continued Friendship

Paul Cammiss

Memories of Belfast 2018



Headlines from the National AGM

ELECTIONS

Two posts were contested. The winners were:

National Membership Officer - Nick Morcumb (Whitchurch 41 Club)

Candidate for 41 International Vice President - Barry Durman (Shirley Late Knights}

RESOLUTIONS

The two resolutions regarding length of service for national office were passed without debate.

Special Award



A special award was made to Pauline Ormerod for her invaluable work for three of the last six conferences. Pauline has always worked above and beyond all expectations and her design work has been much appreciated. She is a member of Darwin and Dragons Tangent clubs.

Induction of Newest Member



President Dave inducts Steve Grew, National President of RTBI 2017-18 into 41 Club.



IMPORTANT NEWS REGARDING ACCOMMODATION AT TORQUAY 2019

The HQ Hotel, the Toorak, is already fully booked, but we have secured additional rooms at the Carlton Hotel, which is also owned by THL and is on the same campus. It is a short 2 minute walk from the Toorak, all under cover.

The price is the same at £144 pp for the 3 night package for a twin or double on a B&B basis.

Rooms can be booked by telephone 01803-400500 (+44-1803-400500 from overseas), quoting **booking ID 32305**. Note that you can't book via their website, as that is for public bookings. If you try, you will see that there are no rooms available.

You will be asked to pay a 10% deposit when booking, with the balance due 28 days prior to arrival.

There are numerous other hotels to suit all budgets within easy walking distance of RICC. These can be accessed via the portal

http://www.conferenceenglishriviera.com/booking.php?stage=hotels&event_id=418.

The rates have been negotiated by RICC for us, but of course if you can get it cheaper then go for it.

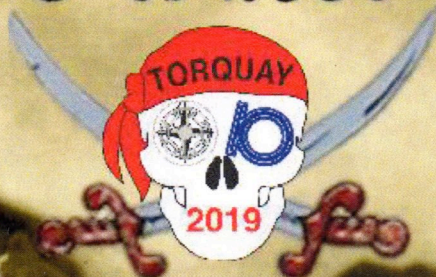
One thing to be aware of is that there will be **no transport provided by the Conference**. There are hundreds of rooms within easy walking distance of the RICC. If you really want to stay at e.g. The Imperial, then you will need to arrange your own transport.

41 Club & Tangent National Conference Torquay 2019



Captain Phill and Captain Jill
invite you to join them
in Torquay for

Pirates of the Riviera



National Conference Torquay 2019

www.41club-tangent-2019.co.uk

Early bird 2 night package if booked by the 30th June 2018 - £150

1st July onwards - £160

Early bird 3 night package if booked by 30th June 2018 - £185

1st July onwards - £195

A deposit of £50 per person will be required at the time of booking with the remaining balance payable by 31st January 2019

Full terms and conditions on the website

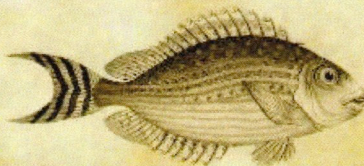
Bookings made from February 2019 will be payable in full

Payment only by bank transfer, no cards & no Paypal.

Thursday 4th April 2019

Registration in the Toorak Hotel

Dine at the Captains Table



Friday 5th April 2019

Golf tournament at Torquay Golf Club

Local Excursions

Captains Evening Banquet & Ball

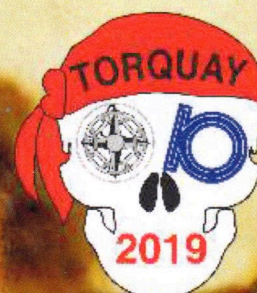


Saturday 6th April 2019

41 Club AGM at the Riviera Centre

Tangent AGM at the Riviera Centre

Final Night Fancy Dress Party



And The Winner Is

Results for the various competitions and awards announced during the Conference and AGM:

Malcolm Lockey Award for community service - Ponteland 41 Club for taking over the annual wheelbarrow race.

Conference Golf Tournament:

Individual award: Robert Gordon of Banbridge & District 41 Club

Team award: Banbridge & District 41 Club

International Awards:

Jim Parkes Trophy for outward travel: David Illingworth (Bridge of Weir & Kilmalcolm)

Tom Hodges & Victor Mitchitsch Trophy for inward travel: Bruce McKay from South Africa

Conference awards:

Kiwi Klub Trophy for best attendance at conference: Market Harborough 41 Club

Iain Kelso Award for the best contribution to the AGM: Geoff Morgan (Brentwood)

Terry Cooper Shield for performance by a National Councillor: Nick Morcumb (Region 11)

Press Awards:

David Hewitt Trophy for the best club website: Calpe 41 Club

David Smith Trophy for the best club newsletter: Northampton Nene 41 Club

National Photographic Competition:

1st Colin Wright (Farnborough Kent) "Crocus Eater"

2nd Gary Foster (Darlington Bond Gate) "West Witton, Wensleydale"

3rd David Brown (Taunton) "Bridge from 'Here' to 'There', Norway"

Final night fancy dress awards:

Glasgow Quaich for couples or small groups: Elland

Jersey Trophy for large groups: East & West Ham Tangent

Congratulations to all the winners and many thanks to all those that entered the various competitions. If you know anybody or club suitable for next year's awards please contact your national councillor with a nomination.

Round Table Reminisces by Bob Oxley

Part Three

I now wore two hats.



Area Councillor for my Table, and Sales Officer for Area 25, Thames Valley. As ASO, I was expected to attend all Area functions, visit all the 20 plus Tables in the Area at least once during the year, and maximise regalia sales to generate income for the Area. Income was generated from the difference between the sales value and the discounted cost Area obtained on purchases from National.

At my first Area meeting, I made up a pack of badges, cuff-links, ties, and assorted clothing, gave one pack to each Table at a discounted 'sale or return at the next meeting' cost, and offered the same deal on any further purchases up to and including the next Area meeting. No Table present objected, and I made those Tables not represented my first target clubs for a visit. Each pack cost around 25 pounds, (after discount). Three clubs actually bought more at the end of the meeting.

On most visits I was accompanied by members of my own Table, many of whom had never visited another club before. Our greater involvement may have been because we were becoming a more cosmopolitan club, but we really made our mark one Area Sports Day when we introduced 'Marrow Dangling', a game of human skittles. Six players sit on stools in a circle, with plastic buckets on their heads. Eyeholes are cut out of the buckets. In the centre of the circle is a tall pole from which a 'marrow', (a stuffed sausage shaped bag about 2'6" in length), is suspended on a swivel.

Players from the opposing team take it in turns to throw the marrow for one complete revolution without touching the seated players, then score points for every seated player that is hit on a second revolution. Any seated player that 'flinches' is regarded as being hit, and extra points are awarded if a seated player has his bucket knocked off or is knocked off his stool. The thrower must loudly declare 'widdershin' (clockwise), or 'anti-widdershin' (anti-clockwise), and shout 'get stuffed' as he releases the marrow. You couldn't make it up could you? It became so popular that a league was formed, and inter-Table matches were played at a local pub on Sunday mornings throughout the summer. A great spectacle for the other pub visitors, many of whom came every week just to watch.



As our children grew older, my wife started to get more involved with Ladies Circle. She became Circle chairman the year after my year in the Table chair and she also became more active in Area. I later became Area Chairman. Most of the Tables in my area invited us both to their Ladies Night and some other functions, which we were able to enjoy together. Then in a repeat coincidence, she was elected Circle Area Chairman, so immediately after the excitement and experience of my year, I was unceremoniously relegated again into the 'two steps behind' club.

With hindsight, these were the boom years of Table. I chartered two new Tables in my area, Burnham Beeches and Thatcham. At Burnham I was presented with a scantily clad mannequin, and at the second, the guest of the inaugural chairman offered me a job. I spent the whole of my year visiting other clubs trying to recover my mannequin, travelling throughout the Southern Counties, South Wales and the Thames Valley, only to have her abducted by another club on the night. Great fellowship though!

As Table still had the 40 year age rule, retirement loomed large. The doors to our original 41 Club had not been reopened by the 'born and bred' ex-Tablers, but the second club was flourishing as more Table leavers joined. Out of the blue, I received an unprecedented invitation. I'll tell you about this and the job offer in my next instalment.

.....to be continued.....

PS for a full demonstration of Marrow Dangling (and Rhubarb Thrashing) on Blue Peter [Click here](https://www.facebook.com/BBCArchive/videos/512769842429384/)
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New Member Benefit For The Travel Enthusiast

Northern Belle Luxury Train Offer

Exclusive discounted rates for 41 Club Members

10% discount on all trips plus a free bottle of Laurent Perrier Champagne per booking

Northern Belle also offers a great group discount for 12 passengers and more. This is a great venue for special occasions and club meetings or the club Christmas party!

THE TRAIN

Evoking the opulence of 1930s rail travel, this luxurious yet intimate train traverses the glorious countryside en-route to some of Britain's top destinations.

Travel in one of seven beautifully detailed carriages, each bearing the name of a great British castle or stately home.

The superb onboard cuisine is just as exquisite, created using locally sourced ingredients and paired with fine wines and champagnes.

Departing from regional stations throughout the UK, the wide variety of luxury train journeys include visits to magnificent castles, vibrant cities and major event.

Visit the website www.northernbelle.co.uk to see full details of the excursions offered by The Northern Belle, these include

LUXURY DAY TRIPS

Day trips from £305 per person

UNIQUE DINING EXPERIENCES

Fine dining Lunches from £250 per person

Classic Afternoon Tea from £205 per person

A DAY AT THE RACES 2018

Prices start at £495 including Race Tickets



How to redeem and Conditions:

- To book please call the Northern Belle reservation office on 0845 805 0809 quoting **code KT10** to receive this offer, alternatively book online at www.northernbelle.co.uk
- 41 Club members must be in attendance and have a form of ID
- Subject to availability
- Offer can be withdrawn at any time
- Offer and discounts not to be discussed with fellow passengers on board



41 Club Cruise to the Fjords, Mountains & Glaciers

This year the club cruise will be different in that it sails from Liverpool, the spiritual home of the Cunard Line. We will be sailing on Fred. Olsen's Black Watch on a nine day cruise to the Norwegian Fjords and the Shetland Islands. Departing 8th August the itinerary is:



Members joining the cruise get a 10% discount and £50 per person on-board spend, plus other group benefits. For more details click on the link below

<http://41club.org/files/2017-12-51/Club-Cruise-Flyer-20181514028906.pdf>

Remember that if you cannot join us on the club cruise you can still get a discount on Fred. Olsen cruises by using the details below.

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines

Bringing the world closer

The 41 Club have teamed up with award-winning Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines to give you a very tempting 10% membership discount* on your first sailing with them – and that's on top of any current offers. Existing Fred. Olsen customers can save 5%, in addition to their 5% Loyalty Club discount.

To book using your discount code **41club10** call the 41 Club booking Hotline on **0800 0355 108** or visit **www.fredolsencruises.com/41club**

*All bookings are subject to Fred. Olsen's (FOCL) standard terms & conditions, available on our website & on request. All prices quoted under the 41 Club members discount offer are exclusive to qualifying members & their travelling companions only, members must quote their discount code at time of booking. Membership discounts cannot be applied retrospectively. Bookings must be made via the booking hotline number 0800 0355 108. Proof of membership will be required at the time of booking. Offers cannot be extended to any unrelated third party, are subject to availability & may be withdrawn or amended at any time without prior notice. From time to time FOCL may run special offers which cannot be combined with this discount, including selected group travel deals. All guests booked under this scheme are requested to refrain from disclosing the fare paid whilst on board. Offer is for first-time cruisers with Fred. Olsen only. Fred. Olsen Oceans members are entitled to a 5% 41 Club discount subject to the same terms & conditions, to be applied after the standard Oceans discount, where applicable. In this instance, Oceans Terms & Conditions apply. This offer expires on the 31st December 2018. E&OE.

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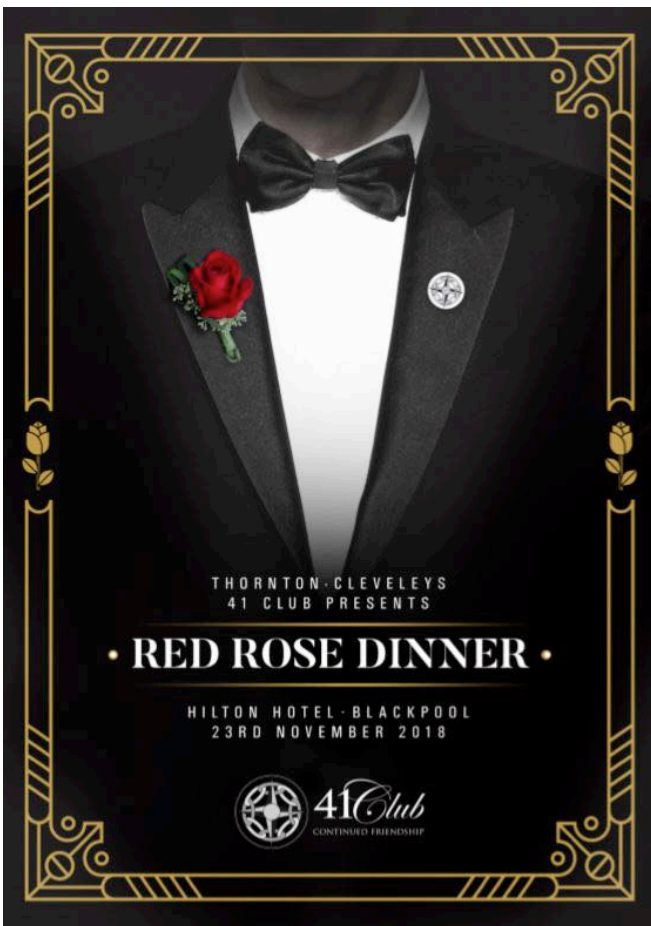
Poynton 41 Club celebrating their success at the Boars Head, Poynton Easter Quiz. The A team came first out of 17 entrants with a score of 69.5 out of a possible 100
The A team was : Alick, Chairman Robin, Karl, Trev and VC Adam.
The B team came 8th with a score of 58, but there were only 4 of them!!
Lawrence Bamber
Poynton 41 Club

Our favourite event of the year, apart from the Xmas float, is the annual wander around parts of Cheshire. A vigorous stroll through some of Cheshire's finest countryside followed by a well deserved pint and some food on a long summer evening.

Great exercise, great scenery, great fellowship and great beer!

Martin Davies

Crewe & Nantwich 41 Club



Larbert and Falkirk 41 Club

Saturday 19th May

Beancross Hotel
Falkirk

Ticket £25

Including three course dinner
and
entertainment

Contact Kevin Stewart at
region2@41club.org for details
and advise on accommodation

Well Worth a Club Visit!

I am an ex Tabler and a member of Kings Norton 41 Club. The club recently had an evening meeting at the Norton Collection in Bromsgrove. Everyone had a very enjoyable evening, stepping back in time to explore a bygone era.

The collection is the life long hard work of Dennis Norton who has donated this wonderful collection and the building in trust to the people of Bromsgrove. I was that impressed with my visit that I have since donated a lot of vintage items that my family and I have accumulated, which I feel are far better off being seen than either sold off or collecting dust in a cupboard where no one gets the benefit of seeing them on display.

My 41 Club and I would like to recommend that this is a great place for all the clubs under our umbrella, ladies and gentlemen, to visit if they are wishing to have an enjoyable time reminiscing about a bygone era.

Mike Hopley, Kings Norton 41 Club

**Norton Collection Museum Trust
Bromsgrove**

OPENING TIMES:
Friday Saturday and Sunday
10.00am - 4.00pm

Evening Visits please call
01527 919531

www.nortoncollectionmuseumtrust.org.uk

*We are also looking for more
volunteers to help us run the
museum - just ask*

26 Birmingham Road,
Bromsgrove,
Worcestershire,
B61 0DD
Telephone:
01527 870616

**The Norton Collection
Museum in Bromsgrove**

The Midlands finest collection of guild work

A private visit to the Museum for a group can be arranged on any day or evening if you contact **Dennis Norton on 01527 919531**

The fee is £6.00 which includes viewing all the exhibits, light refreshments and a talk by Dennis Norton.

Whitchurch 41 Club 50th Charter - 9th March 2018

Whitchurch held a very successful charter dinner at the Old Jack Restaurant. President Dave Campbell was the guest of honour and there was a good attendance by other local clubs. An excellent four course dinner rounded off with a glass of port was excellent value. There was even a souvenir glass and a comic magician to keep us entertained. Well done Whitchurch and we look forward to helping you celebrate your 60th in 2028.



Five New Affiliations

At the National Council meeting in Belfast five new clubs were approved for affiliation, they are:

Colchester - Region 18 (Essex and North East London)

Kings Lynn Vancouver - Region 17 (East Anglia)

Ynys Cybi / Holy Island - Region 12 (North Wales and The Wirral)

Holbrook Over 41 Club - Region 24 (SW London, Surrey and Sussex)

The Marches - Region 21 (Mid West)

A warm welcome to all of our new members and we hope to see you soon at a 41 Club event.

Dates For Your Diary

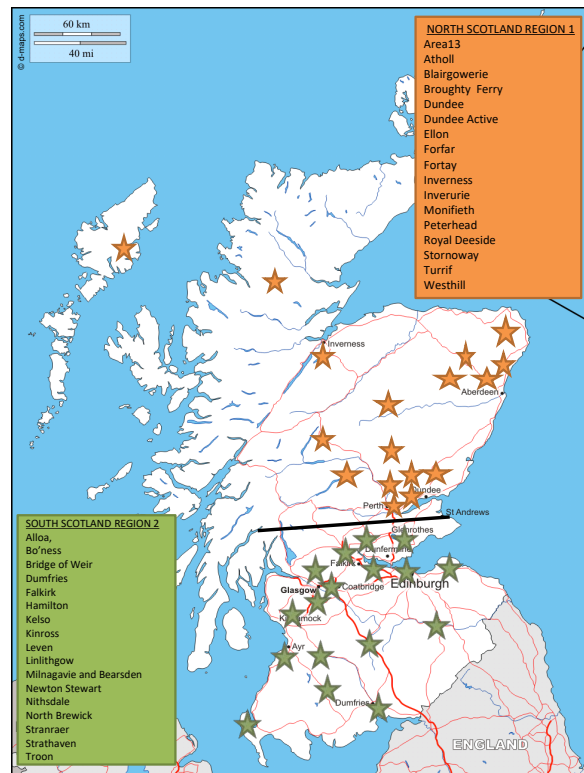
4th-6th May	RTBI & NALC Conference and AGMs, Chester Racecourse
19th May	Larbert & Falkirk Barn Dance, Beancross Hotel, Falkirk
8th-10th June	41 Club Classic Rally, Tongwynlais, Cardiff
30th June	National Council Meeting, Park Hotel by Radisson, Aberdeen
10th July	Region 15 Golf Day, Olton Golf Club, Olton, Solihull
17th July	Region 21 Golf Day, Wrag Barn Golf Club, Highworth, Swindon
18th July	Eastern Region Charity Golf Day, Braintree Golf Club, Essex
19th July	Region 11 Golf Day, Alsager Golf Club, Alsager

National Club News

Reorganisation of the Scottish Regions

For some time it has been recognised that the existing structure for the Scottish Regions was becoming unworkable. The East / West split meant that both councillors covered an area the length of Scotland and in addition the distribution between the regions had become very unbalanced. It was therefore agreed at the April Council meeting that the regions would be reorganised into a North / South split, thus reducing the distance travelled by each councillor and also restoring an equal balance.

The map on the right shows the proposed split and the clubs in each new region. This may not be the final distribution but we will be informing affected clubs of the final changes ASAP.



Next National Council Meeting

The next National Council meeting will be held on Saturday, 1st July 2018 starting at 11.00 a.m. at the Park Inn by Radisson, 1 Justice Mill Lane, Aberdeen, Scotland. AB11 6EQ. Any declared member of the Association is entitled to attend as an observer. Please notify the National Secretary if you plan to attend.

The advertisement for 41 Club Sales features a variety of promotional products and clothing. Items include jackets, polo shirts, scarves, hats, mugs, and trophies. The background is a repeating pattern of the 41 Club logo. The text '41 Club Sales' is prominently displayed in a stylized font, with 'CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP' underneath. The website 'WWW.41CLUBSALES.CO.UK' is written in large letters at the bottom. Contact information includes 'Tel: 0121 766 8830 or 8831' and 'Email: paul@41clubsales.co.uk'. A logo for 'PS GRAPHICS 41 CLUB SALES' is in the bottom right corner.

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Featured Member Benefit

Hashtag Travel Group



Up to 10% Discount & Voucher

Hashtag Golf Travel is a relatively new company offering golfing holidays across the UK, Europe and Worldwide. The Hashtag Travel Group was founded to provide a straightforward, one-stop shop for luxury tailor-made holidays.

As a travel company, we are fully financially bonded and the team have extensive knowledge and experience in the industry and provide expertise service. Our websites are: www.hashtaggolftavel.com and www.hashtagtravelgroup.com.

We offer holidays in more than 20 countries. Our speciality is golfing holidays; however, we also offer non-golfing holidays worldwide.

The Company Directors are all Round Table or 41 Club members.

Exclusive Members Benefits:

1.Holiday Discount

As an exclusive 41 Club Members Benefit we will offer a discount on our holidays of 'up to 10%'.

2.Prize draws

Every two months we offer a 'Giveaway Prize Draw' on our website and our Social Media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn).

If a 41 Club member enters our prize draw through the 'Contact Us' page on our website; Link:

<https://hashtaggolftavel.com/contact-us/> and types '41 Club' in the 'Subject' box then we will email them a £25 gift voucher which can be redeemed against their next holiday.

They can also enter just by sending an email to golf@hashtagtravelgroup.com titled '41 Club'. Again, we will email each entry a £25 voucher by return. Note: The prize draw is not exclusive to 41 Club members, they can enter again on our Facebook page if they want. The £25 voucher is exclusive to members of 41 Club (& Round Table).

For a full list of Member Benefits click here <http://41club.org/pages/platinum-privileges>

Pun time

1. The fattest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.
2. I thought I saw an eye-doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.
3. She was only a whisky-maker, but he loved her still.
4. A rubber-band pistol was confiscated from an algebra class, because it was a weapon of math disruption.
5. No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.
6. A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was prosecuted for littering.
7. Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
8. A hole has been found in the nudist-camp wall. The police are looking into it.
9. Atheism is a non-prophet organisation.
10. Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other: 'You stay here; I'll go on a head.'
11. There was a person who sent ten puns to friends, with the hope that at least one of the puns would make them laugh. No pun in ten did.
12. A backward poet writes inverse.