

Number 97 June 2018 Newsletter



We don't just sit there!

Let's prove it!

Let's show the world that we actually do things!

The internet offers us the opportunity to tell the world that 41 Club is not just a dining club where old men talk about things that were better in their day. It provides the ability to communicate with 'like minded' people, to show others (especially current and ex-Tablers) that we do still participate in activities that may be of interest to them. We have therefore decided to create a range of Special Interest Groups (SIGs) on Facebook that are open to all members of the Four Club Family. You are invited to join them if they interest you or to point your friends to them if you know they are interested. Additionally we will welcome your ideas as to what other groups we can create (golf, walking, cycling, fishing are just a few possibilities).

So let's see some action. The groups / forums already set up are listed on the next page. The groups are closed so that you have to request membership and your views, photos etc. will only be shared with like minded members. You will need a Facebook account to join most of these groups. The Bikers Forum is open to all as it is not a closed group.

To find the current groups simply search for the names which all start with '41 Club ...'

If you would like to start other groups please send the details to webmaster@41club.org

We will need your name, your Facebook ID, the name of the group and brief details on its aims. We will then set the group up for you, making you the first member and allowing you to invite other Facebook members to join.

So who wants a football group? a rugby group? or even a cake decorating group? It is up to you. It costs nothing and will hopefully encourage other ex members to join 41 Club and Tangent. It may even get some members to start new activities!

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 July newsletter is the 23rd June.

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



Special Interest Groups As at 1st June 2018 All are on Facebook

41 Club Ship Mates

For all those interested in cruising. It will feature the official Club Cruise and is a place to discuss all cruises and cruise companies.



41 Club Photographers

A place to share photographs, tips and discuss locations, equipment and adventures.

41 Club Steam Railways

A place for all steam enthusiasts, be it standard gauge, narrow gauge or model railways.





41 Club Classic Rally

Inspired by the annual rally, now in its 5th year, this group is fo all members who are petrol heads.

41 Club Narrow Boat Owners Group

A space for all owners of narrow boats to chat about anything canal related.



PHILL ELLIS PHILL PRESIDENT 2018-2019

41 Club Bikers Forum

An open forum for all bikers in the Four Club Family. This does not require membership and is open to all.

Stand Up for Round Table

I attended the Round Table Conference at the beginning of May 2018 and the energy was fantastic as was the whole weekend.

Paul Bewley the Round Table National Membership Officer gave some key data as follows:

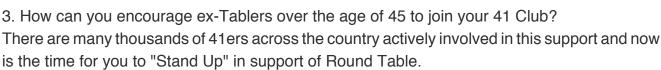
RTBI Membership Numbers 2017/18

- 3,762 Members
- Including 572 New Members
- Including 170 Under 26 Members
- 317 Lost to Retirement
- 48 Honorary Members
- 343 Tables (162 Tables with 10 or more members)
- 3 New Tables Chartered Dublin, Brighouse and Hoddesdon

As 41 Club it is our duty to help and support Round Table. We are still all Tablers at heart and I am sure like me you want them to be successful.

One of the Purposes and Objects of 41 Club is "to use our experience in support of the Round Table Family" and especially Round Table as these are our future members. Please ask yourselves these key questions:

- 1. How can you support your existing Round Table?
- 2. Can I help you to restart one if one does not already exist?



Talk to them and/or talk to me! What do they need? What can you do?

Nick Morcumb

National Membership Office 2018-21

email: membership@41club.org or phone my mobile 07913 179662

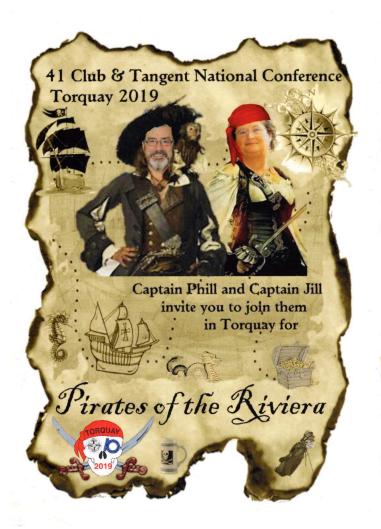
National Conferences 2019

Bookings are now open for the 41Club / Tangent Conference in Torbay and the Ladies Circle / RTBI Conference in Leicester in 2019. Note the latter Ladies Circle / RTBI yes Circle is, for the first time, organising the event. Their presentation at Chester was excellent and I encourage as many 41ers and Tangent members as possible to attend, even if it is only the AGMs. They really deserve our support.

As for our own Conference the hotels are filling up rapidly and the Early Bird discounts end on the last day of June, so get your bookings in ASAP to avoid disappointment.



Nick Morcumb and Ralph Small manned the 41 Club Membership stand at the RTBI AGM, Chester



National Conference Torquay 2019 www.41club-tangent-2019.co.uk

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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





YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

'THE ROYAL'

#PUTACROWNONIT

NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR LADIES CIRCLE & ROUND TABLE

3RD – 5TH MAY 2019 LEICESTER

BOOKINGS ARE OPEN AT: WWW.NATIONALCONFERENCE.CO.UK

Round Table Reminisces by Bob Oxley

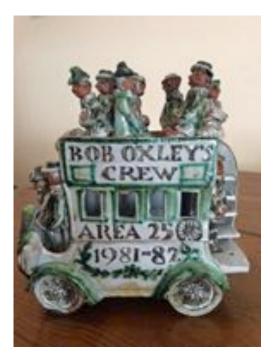
Part Five

"Can we bring the kids?"

Was I hearing right? Did one of the newer 41ers ask if he could bring his children to the 41 Club BBQ! Incredibly the answer was "Yes". By this time my children were already teenagers, and bringing them was about as welcome to us as a stripper on Ladies Night. This was a big dose of reality. Many of our newer members were just in the early years of marriage with babies and toddlers. Unnoticed, (at least by me), it seemed that in just over a decade, people were marrying and starting families much later, which was having a knock on effect on the composition of Table and 41 Club membership. Some Tables were already closing or merging, and as a consequence, the maximum age for membership was raised from 40 to 45.

I had accepted the Honorary Year Table had offered me. I then joined the second of our two 41 Clubs. Although I knew all the members of the original club, I discovered a natural resistance to joining them largely because they had closed their doors and daunted many of my Table colleagues' expectations of joining the Table's 'home' club. Ironically, later the original 41 Club started to suffer from falling membership, as the vast majority of the retiring Tablers joined their ex-Table colleagues in the second club.

Ten years after leaving, I was invited back as President of the Table. I was generously accepted by the members, many of whom had joined after I 'retired', but who nevertheless extended a warm welcome to my wife and myself. I became a Tabler again for two wonderful extra years. As time moved on, the two 41 Clubs moved closer together and I became a member of both. Now living in Spain, I have moved on also and am now a member of an offshore 41 Club, with a membership that has comprised ex-Tablers



from a number of European countries, the Far and Middle East and southern Africa, all united with the same spirit of fellowship and fun generated through Tables across the world.

I attended the 40th Anniversary of the first of my UK 41 Clubs, at which there were 30 ex-chairmen present. Recently I attended the 60th Anniversary of the second, attended by many of my peers, a fitting tribute to the fellowship experienced through the Round Table family during most of our adult lives.

I hope that these reminisces have triggered some wonderful memories of your own experiences as an ex-Tabler, and that you will feel empowered to promote and support the organisation for future generations. No matter what, "may the hinges of friendship never rust".

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Footnote: The author joined Sawbridgeworth Round Table in the late 60s, and transferred following a job relocation into High Wycombe Round Table in the early 70s.

He joined Wycombe Old Tablers 41 Club in 1983, and High Wycombe 41 Club in 1991.

He transferred to the Costa Blanca 41 Club in 2004 where he is still an active member.



Description of charity

At Muscular Dystrophy UK we fund scientific research to find treatments and ultimately a cure. Until that happens we will provide support to help people affected by all muscle wasting conditions to lead full and independent lives.

What is Duchenne muscular dystrophy?

Duchenne muscular dystrophy causes muscles to weaken and waste over time, leading to increasing and severe disability. The condition affects not only muscles used for movement, but also the heart and vital breathing muscles too, cutting lives short.

Why Phillip has chosen MDUK as his President's Charity

"I've chosen to support Muscular Dystrophy UK, because of the experiences of my grandson Enzo. Enzo was recently diagnosed with Duchenne muscular dystrophy aged just four, and I've experienced just how devastating the diagnosis is for the family. Hearing that Enzo has a life limiting condition was a complete shock and we had never even heard of Duchenne; it was so much to take in. I want to help to find effective treatments for this condition to help children like Enzo live full and happy lives. Muscular Dystrophy UK helped us through the process and are there to support families all across the UK."

Muscular Dystrophy UK exists to bring together individuals, families and professionals to fight against muscle-wasting conditions. Muscle-wasting conditions are rare but can have a massive impact on the individuals and families who live with them. Funds raised by the 41 Club will go directly to support the charity's Duchenne Research Breakthrough Fund.

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Julie Harvey Regional Development Manager – Northern Ireland

Throughout the year we will be introducing new initiatives to help raise funds for Phill's chosen charity, With the World Cup starting the middle of June why not organise a sweepstake to provide some interest, give one lucky person a nice prize whilst at the same time providing much needed funding for MDUK's research programme. On the next two pages are all the items you need to organise a sweepstake.

Why not organise a sweepstake at your club, at work or just with a group of friends?

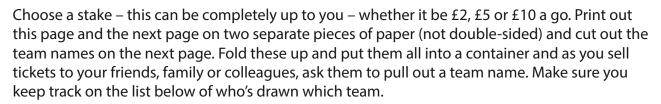
To donate go to Phill's Just Giving page click on this link: bit.ly/MDUK2018

Thank you for reading this and for all donations no matter how large or small.



World Cup 2018 sweepstake kit

14 June - 15 July 2018



Suggested prizes:

The prize could be a proportion of the pot, a bottle of something nice or a small box of chocolates. You could even try getting a prize donated. If you have more than one prize, think about having a runner-up too!

Thank you for choosing to fundraise for MDUK in this fun way! May the best team win.

Record who draws out which team below.

Argentina	Morocco
Australia	Nigeria
Belgium	Panama
Brazil	Peru
Colombia	Poland
Costa Rica	Portugal
Croatia	Russia
Denmark	Saudi Arabia
Egypt	Senegal
England	Serbia
France	South Korea
Germany	Spain
Iceland	Sweden
Iran	Switzerland
Japan	Tunisia
Mexico	Uruguay





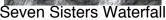
41 Club Cruise to the Fjords, Mountains & Glaciers

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 includes:

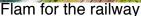




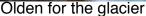














Geirangerfjord



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.



Words of wisdom from a potential Tabler (My 6 year old grandson)

This morning's conversation over breakfast:

Seb "You have to drive to Heaven"

Mum "Do you?"

Seb "Yes, or could you get a plane there?"

Mum "I don't really know lovely" Seb "Is Heaven in our country?"

Mum "I'm not sure really, I wouldn't worry

about it"

Seb "You do know, you've been there"

Mum " To Heaven????!!! No I haven't been"

Seb "You have! You have! You took me there

once"

Mum " No Darling, I have never been to

Heaven"

Seb "Yes you have!! (getting annoyed now) we

stayed in a cottage on a farm"

Mum "Oh, you mean Devon....."

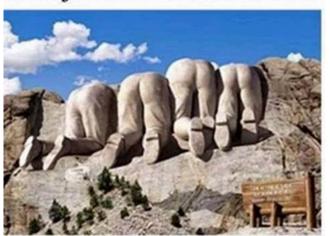
Day two:

Seb "Mummy, gliders don't need an engine"

Mum "Really darling"

Seb "Yes, they Fly on fur balls"

You know, there are some things that you just never think of like Mt. Rushmore from the Canadian side.



YOU DON'T STOP LAUGHING BECAUSE YOU GET OLD, YOU GET OLD BECAUSE YOU STOP LAUGHING

Dates For Your Diary

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

8th-17th August 41 Club & Tangent Cruise to Norwegian Fjords and Shetland

10th-12th August Cycling Weekend, Northampton Nene

16th August Scottish Regional Golf, Crieff Golf Club

7th-10th September National Caravan & Camping Rally, Hardwick Parks, Standlake

20th September National Golf Competition, Rodway Hills Golf Club, Highnam

12th-14th October International Half Year Meeting, Marrakech







How we in Tangent can help you

Are your Counterpart Tangent celebrating a 40th 50th or 60th Charter this year?

Are you not sure what to buy them as a gift from your club?

Help is at hand

We have designed a 40th 50th or 60th badge



http://www.tangentshop.co.uk/shop.php?sec=cat&cat=112



Featured Member Benefit



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

