

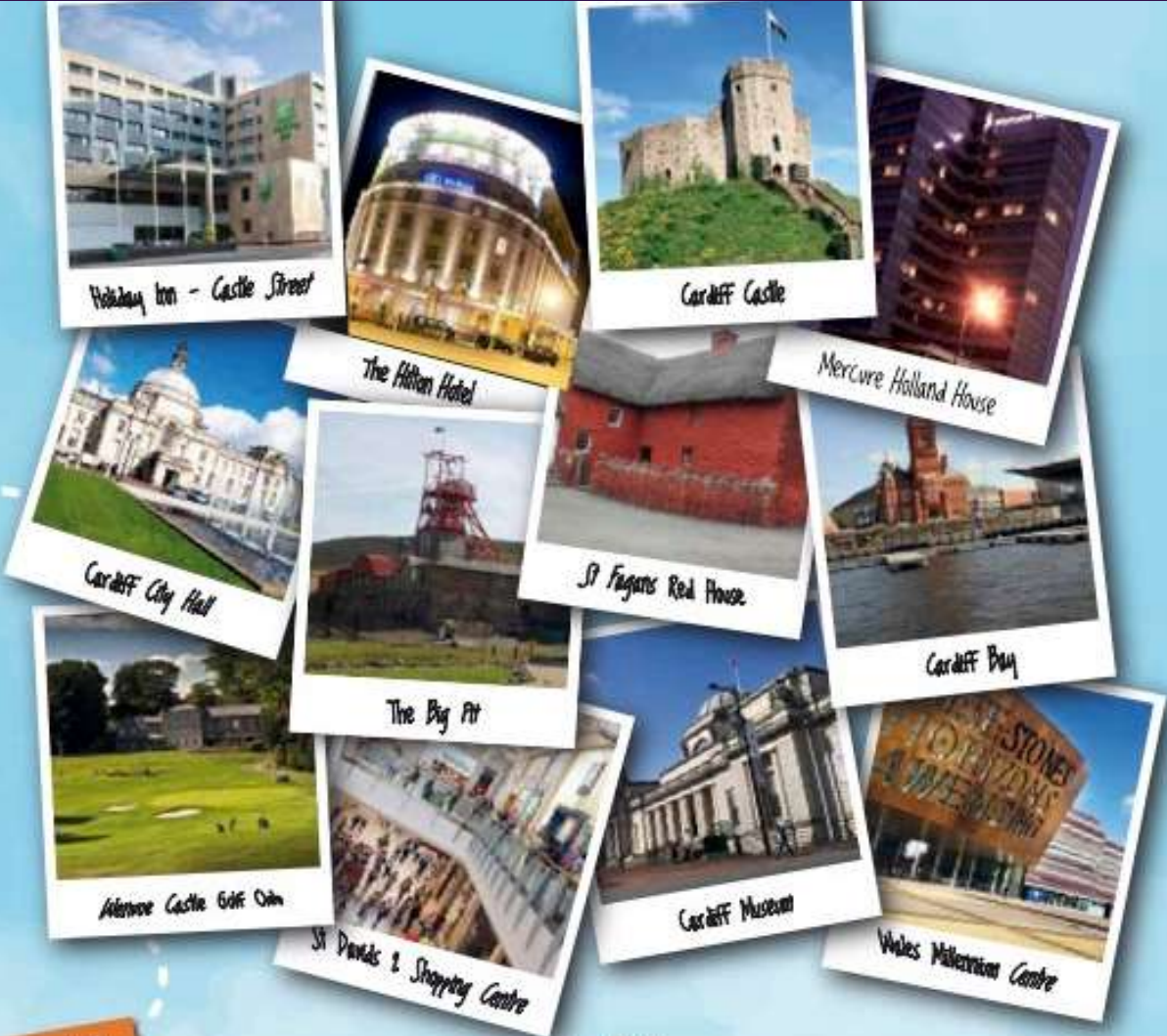
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The Association of Ex-Round Tablers' Clubs of Great Britain and Ireland



41 Club NEWSLETTER

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31st March -
3rd April
2022



CARDIFF 2022

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We really hope that you are all doing well and keeping safe. After a really horrendous 15 months we are sure that come 2022 you will be ready for face to face AGMs and a big 41 Club/Tangent party.

The 41 Club AGM will be held at Mercure Holland House, a 10 minute amble from the main hotel, plus transport is being provided.

The Tangent AGM is being held in the Hilton Hotel a five minute walk from the Holiday Inn, plus transport is being provided.

Other fun stuff includes:

- Thursday night Welcome Party at the Holiday Inn with surprises in store for everyone.
- Friday trips to the Big Pit (Go down a real mine), Cardiff Castle, and fixtures permitting, the Principality Stadium.
- Friday evening the Joint Presidents Banquet will take place in the iconic City Hall with more surprises in store.
- Saturday, the final night party will be back at Mercure Holland House, and a chance to show off your creativity.

All walkable distances, plus transport will be provided on the Friday and Saturday evenings, from the Holiday Inn only.

There will be a separate conference bar at Callaghans

(within the Holiday Inn) open all day till the early hours.

The conference hotel is the Holiday Inn. Other hotels are available via the Cardiff tourism link below.

Roald Dahl said, "We are the music makers, and we are the dreamers of dreams." As far as we are aware, Roald Dahl never attended a 41 Club and Tangent Conference, but he definitely understands what we are going to bring you in March/April 2022!

"Never do anything by halves if you want to get away with it. Be outrageous. Go the whole hog. Make sure everything you do is so completely crazy it's unbelievable."
Roald Dahl, Matilda.

Conference 2022 will feature spectacular venues for our magical events, fabulous fellowship and friendship and a lot of FUN.

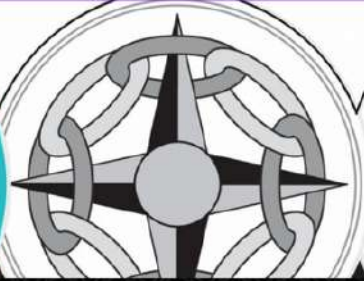
The Conference Committee are doing nothing by halves and are definitely going the whole hog, and we thank them for all their work, but it would be nothing without YOU, the members attending.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Cardiff! Remember, "Those who don't believe in magic will never find it" (Roald Dahl)" - Peter & Tracey.

THURSDAY - WELCOME PARTY

FRIDAY - GOLF, TRIPS & BANQUET

SATURDAY - AGM'S & PARTY NIGHT



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Open the November Video Newsletter
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for CAS

Welcome to the January Newsletter.

The thing which is on the minds of most Club Treasurer's this month is National Capitation, which is based upon the membership of each club as at 31st December in the preceding year (i.e. 31/12/2021now). To see what your capitation due is (still only £14.50 per member by the way) just go to CAS and look it up under the Payment Tab.

<https://cas.41club.org/treasurer/login/>

To log-on to CAS go to the web address above (if you don't want to type it you can click on the link on the home page (see image above) on www.41club.org)

When you open the above link it will ask for your registered email address - just enter this and it will email you a personalised secure link valid for 1-hour. Click on that link and it will take you to your club's entry on CAS. If you run out of time, just do it again. If you don't receive an email please check your spam folders and if its not there just contact me or your Regional Councillor for assistance.

Be sure to check out all the forthcoming National Events to see what value you get from your National Capitation; and the Wider Wallet Members Benefit and Select Car Leasing to see if you can profit from your membership!

This edition of the Newsletter has once again been put together by Wynn Parry so a huge thanks to him.

Keep safe.

Yours in Continued Friendship,

Don

**Don Mullane, National Communications and IT Officer
London Old Tablers' Society**

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THE PRESIDENTS REPORT

FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT PETER GOOD

Just a short message as most events in December cancelled due to Covid as the men seem to be a lot more nervous than the ladies in Tangent, who have had a lot more dinners etc than we have .

I did attend the get together at the Lamb Tavern in London, which had a record turn out. I took Lesley for first time and we both enjoyed seeing old friends again. My thanks to Dave Leon for organising the event.

I had a great night at the Cheadle and Gatley Christmas meeting. They made me very welcome and I soon felt part of the club. There was plenty of banter and fellowship, and the great thing about our wonderful association is that you can turn up at any club in the country and have instant friends.

Christmas this year was very special because we were able to spend it with all our family. We were hosted at our son and family's home, with our daughter and her son and Lesley's sister. Luckily he has a big enough house to allow us all to stay the night, so that I could have a few beers with him .

We celebrated New Year with friends from 41 club, Bruce Bennet and Jason Tompson and their wives. Unfortunately Marcus had to cancel as Jane went down with Covid.

We had a fantastic night at The Forge in Glenfield which is owned by a member of the 41 family .

Let's hope that we can have a better year in 2022. My diary is looking great for February and March with several new clubs to Charter, getting the growth of the association off to a great start.
Happy New Year to you all.

Peter

Peter Good, National President

**The Connects Team are currently putting together a
new calendar of virtual activities for 2022
- we will publicise it when we can.**

If you need help regarding Zoom - contact us

Calendar of National Events for 2022 - 23

Happy New year all, I hope you had an enjoyable Christmas. Subject to there being no Covid restrictions in force over 2022, we have a varied National programme events for our members to attend and enjoy the best fellowship there can be. The events are not run by the National team but local club members who spend an inordinate amount of time putting on a first-class event for you, our members, I am truly indebted to them. The full programme of events is as follows and if anyone is interested in finding out more about the event or how to book please do not hesitate to contact me at fellowship@41club.org

February

4th to 6th National Sporting and Social weekend, Okehampton

March/April

31st to 3rd April National Conference and AGM, Cardiff

July

1st to 3rd walking weekend Shipley

15th to 17th Motorcycle Rally, Kings Lynn

29th to 31st National Car Rally, Market Harborough

September

5th to 16th 41 Club Cruise to Iceland

23rd to 26th Caravan and Camping Rally, Ringwood

October

2nd to 3rd National Golf Finals, Staberton Park, Northamptonshire

March/April 2023

30th - 2nd April National Conference and AGM, Jersey

Yours in Continued Friendship



Steve James

National Fellowship Officer



VoRTEX

Virtual old Round Tablers EXchange

Our mission is to provide a virtual meeting place for those Ex-Tablers who by virtue of geography, health or other issues are unable to join a local 41 Club..

This club will allow individuals to be fully paid up members of the association of Ex-Tablers Clubs (41 Club) having its own website and social media platform with forums and articles, each member will have access the national printed magazines and electronic newsletters both nationally and internationally, member benefits including 3rd party insurance when attending 41 Club and Round Table Family events.

There will be many opportunities to participate in 'real world' events such as Charter Nights, Regional Dinners, Balls, NSSW and of course Conference.

Your individual participation can be as much or as little as you can / want it to be, from enjoying a cup of tea whilst reading your latest magazine to organising an international project and writing your own magazine article for others to read and be inspired by.

If you are an Ex-Tabler please email membership@41club.org for more details and an application form.

Application for Membership to VoRTEX:

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County:	Post Code:
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Work Tel:	Fax No:
Email:	

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This section to be completed by Club Chairman / Membership Officer:

Region / Councillor			
Meeting / Discussion	Y / N	Date:	/ /
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41 Club Membership		Date: From	/ / To / /
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41 CLUB
NATIONAL SPORTS & SOCIAL WEEKEND

Thursday 3rd - Sunday 6th February 2022

Sports, dinner, bed & breakfast

The Manor House Hotel, Fowley Cross, Okehampton, Devon

PACKAGES FROM £110 - £265

BOOKINGS AT NSSW.41CLUBEVENTS.CO.UK



41 Club Region 24

South West London, Surrey & Sussex

Annual Dinner

*Join us as we celebrate Continued Friendship
together once again*

Friday 4th March 2022

7:30pm at Reigate Manor Hotel, RH2 9PF

Cost £40

Dress Code: Black Tie & Jewels

In aid of the National President's Charity



Guest Speakers:

Peter Good, 41 Club National President
***Sir Winston Churchill** KG, OM, CH, TD, DL, FRS*

Payment by Bank Transfer to Wallington & Carshalton 41 Club, 20-47-34, a/c 50969303
Quote as a ref: R24 Surname & Club

**To book in please email Peter McBride at region24@41club.org
stating any special dietary requirements**

41 International AGM 2022

Bergen Norway

27 - 29 May 2022



JOIN THE FUN!!!

All the information and booking is available on www.agm2022.com

Registration closing date: 14th January 2022

Why not treat yourself/yourselfes to a Christmas Present
and book to go to the International AGM in Bergen.

You can book all the Conference, Pre-tour, Day Tours and Hotel on the website. If you wish to spread/reduce the cost then maybe book the Radison Blu or another nearby hotel on a booking site (eg. bookings.com etc) to allow you to pay later.

Yours in Continued Friendship

Andy Ventress

Andy Ventress
National IRO



National Walking Weekend 2022

1st - 3rd July 2022 : Oakwood Hall Hotel, Bingley

ShIPLEY 41 Club

Following the great success of this year's inaugural National Walking weekend held in Pembrokeshire that attracted more than 40 enthusiastic walkers. I am delighted to inform you that the 2022 National Walking weekend will be held in "God's own" Yorkshire. The event will take place on the weekend of the 1st to 3rd of July 2022.

Our base Hotel will be the historic Oakwood Hall Hotel in Bingley, where we have secured favourable rates for the weekend. If the demand is sufficient we will be able to use an overflow Hotel which is less than 200 yards from our base.

There are several walks available to us from a gentle 4 mile walk along the Leeds Liverpool canal, passing by famous Five Rise locks and proceeding to the village of Saltaire, a world heritage site, where walkers can spend some post walk time exploring the village and learning it's history along with enjoying some refreshments in the many establishments available.

For the slightly more enthusiastic, we have a gentle 8 mile walk along the canal from Apperley Bridge to Saltaire, via the village of Esholt, the village of Emmerdale in the TV series. We plan to meet up with the 4 mile walkers in Saltaire to enjoy lunch and/or other refreshments.

For the more ambitious walkers the afternoon walk will be a "yomp" over Baildon Moors to enjoy some fantastic scenery and to get your heart pumping, returning to the Hotel for Tea and scones in the late afternoon.

Similarly to the event in Pembrokeshire, for those arriving on Thursday evening, A trip to a local restaurant will be organised and on Friday we will have a 6 mile riverside loop walk from Grassington to Burnsall. Walkers may then spend time exploring Grassington or travel to the nearby town of Ilkley for a stroll around the shops. A short walk will be arranged on Sunday morning with a suitable venue to be found to enjoy lunch.

Accommodation can be arranged for those who wish to stay an extra night on the Thursday or Sunday.

Booking details for the weekend will be on the 41Club booking site very soon.

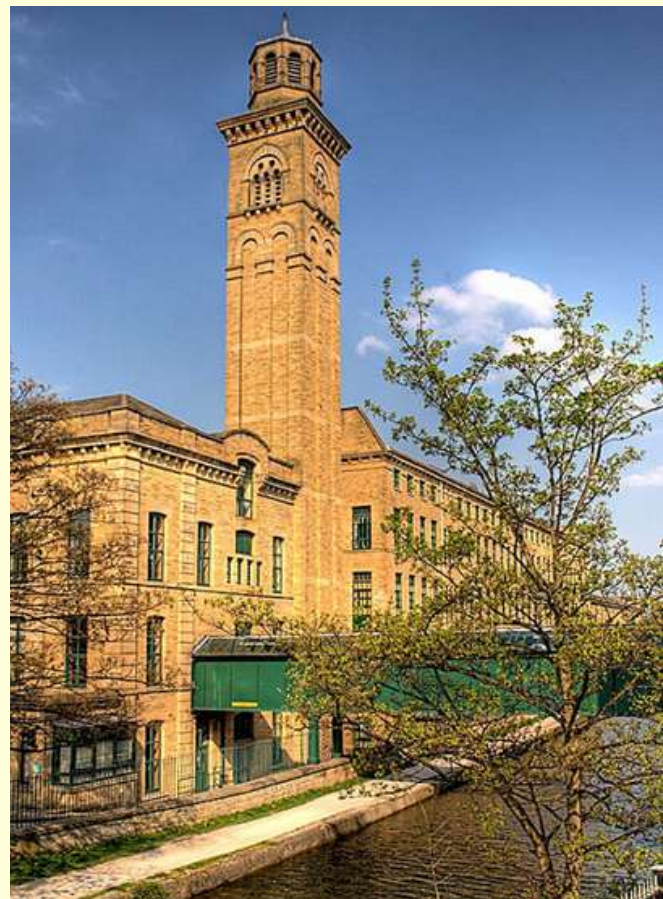
Any queries, please email me at region6@41club.org or look out for regular updates in future National Magazines, Newsletters and Facebook.

We look forward to welcoming you to Yorkshire.

Wynn Parry

Wynn Parry

Region 6 National Councillor





Market Harborough 41 Club National Car Rally 2022

The "Three Counties" Tour - Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire - Friday 29th to Sunday 31st July

Market Harborough 41 Club are delighted to invite you to the 2022 Classic Car Rally based in Market Harborough, a delightful market town in the south east of Leicestershire sharing boundaries with Rutland and Northamptonshire.

We will be based at the Three Swans Hotel, in the centre of Market Harborough - a former 16th Century coaching inn where King Charles I chose to visit back in 1645, the day before the famous battle of Naseby.

Friday 29th July

We all meet up at the hotel on Friday to prepare for our evening Welcome Party held at the hotel where you can recount motoring tales and enjoy a buffet meal.

Saturday 30th July

Meet your fellow rally guests at 10.00 am in the hotel car park and check out everybody's classic car.

We'll then have a run through the delightful countryside of the "Three Counties" before stopping off for lunch. After lunch, we will have another run back to Market Harborough.

There is a Rally Dinner at the Three Swans in the evening with a 3-course meal, entertainment and the presentation of various awards.

Sunday 31st July

We will assemble at the hotel after breakfast for a scenic run followed by an informal lunch. After lunch, entrants are free to leave for home or stay and enjoy the wonderful sights of the "Three Counties" countryside.

The National Car Rally Package and Costs

We have negotiated a National Car Rally Package with the Three Swans Hotel for 2 people at a cost of £293 in total which includes:

- A Classic Double Room for Friday and Saturday night with 2 people sharing including Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday
- Hot Buffet for 2 people on Friday night
- 3 course Rally Dinner for 2 people on Saturday night.

Other room types may be available, and the Three Swans are happy to discuss your requirements.

Car Registration and Cost

You can enter your car for the Rally and include a profile in the 2022 National Car Rally Brochure at a cost of £30. We are also producing a commemorative Rally Plate for £10 should you wish to buy a souvenir of the "Three Counties Tour."



How do I enter?

To book your accommodation and meals, see the Booking Form following and then follow the instructions, contacting the Three Swans Hotel direct. To register your car and purchase your Rally Plate, visit www.mh41club.org.uk and see the relevant form in the section for the National Car Rally.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact Market Harborough 41 Club via email at marketharborough41club@gmail.com

Yours in Continued Friendship
The 2022 National Car Rally Team



41 Club

National Car Rally

**Market Harborough 41 Club - The "Three Counties" Tour
Friday 29th to Sunday 31 July 2022**

Market Harborough 41 Club look forward to seeing you at the event hotel which is
The Three Swans Hotel, 21 Main Street, Market Harborough, LE16 7NJ (telephone 01858 466644).
See website for further details www.threeswans.co.uk

HOTEL AND MEALS BOOKING FORM

Name of person booking	
Address	
Postcode	
Mobile No.*	
Contact No. (if different to above)	
Email address	
Name(s) of other guest(s)	

* We will create a National Car Rally 2022 WhatsApp Group for communication and messaging.

NATIONAL CAR RALLY PACKAGE

The package, for 2 people, costs £293 in total and includes:

- A Classic Double Room for Friday and Saturday night with 2 people sharing including Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday
- Hot Buffet for 2 people on Friday night
- 3 course Rally Dinner for 2 people on Saturday night.

Other room types may be available – please contact the Three Swans direct to discuss your requirements.

When booking, please notify the hotel of any Dietary requirements.

Please book your National Car Rally Package, using this form, directly with the hotel via email to candeswans@innmail.co.uk quoting 41CLUB as your booking reference.

When you check in at the hotel on arrival, you will receive a Car Parking Permit to use during your stay.

Note that full payment is required at the time of booking. In the event that you need to cancel your booking there will be a full refund provided SIX WEEKS notice is given.

(It is recommended that you use Visa/MasterCard).

Geoff Capell
Chairman, Market Harborough National Car Rally 2022
Contact number 07594 561446



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41 Club & Tangent Club Cruise 2022

When the travel restrictions start easing and cruising comes “back to the fore” 41 Club and Tangent have put together an amazing club cruise circumnavigating Iceland with a stop to the Faroes on our homeward journey. The cruise departs on 5th September from Liverpool for 11 nights on the recently acquired Borealis. Borealis is spacious, stylish and comfortable and thanks to her ability to cruise at higher speeds than other ships means that she can include more stops, scenic discoveries and highlights into each itinerary.

The cruise includes an overnight stop in Reykjavik as well as visiting Akuyeyri and Seydisfjordur in Iceland and on our homeward journey will call in to Klaksvik and Torshavn in the Faroe Islands where we have made contact with a local 41 Club member who has offered to give us a guided tour.

As well as receiving the members discount on the cruise we have also arranged a 41 Club and Tangent members drinks reception. The cruise will be an unforgettable experience combined with the true 41 and Tangent fellowship that prevails when our members get together.

If you are interested in joining us on our cruise please see the flyer on the next page on how to secure your place. Following that are details of Fred Olsen's Black Friday Sale which might interest you too!



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— BOREALIS —

5th Sept 2022 | 11 nights | Sails from Liverpool | Cruise Code S2224

WITH 41 CLUB & TANGENT



Strokkur Geysir, Iceland

You're in for an unforgettable adventure, as you go in search of the wonders and wildlife of Iceland and the Faroe Islands. From Reykjavik, journey to witness the natural power of the Gullfoss Waterfall and gushing Geysir hot springs. From Akureyri go whale watching in the northern waters to look out for humpback and minke whales, dolphins and porpoises.

Savour the rugged scenes of Seyðisfjörður, and experience scenic cruising by the coastal Hornstrandir cliffs, jagged rock faces that are home to the Elf King and Queen, the dragon tail-like peaks of Drangaskord and Borgarfjordur Eystri. Time spent sailing in Faroese will be unforgettable too; behold the sight of the imposing Vestmanna and Gasadalur cliffs, and of dramatic isles and sea stacks. Ashore, in Klaksvik and Tórshavn, you can learn of the Faroe's historic links to the Vikings.



41 club & Tangent Group Fares per person, from

Interior	£1,709pp
Ocean View	£1,889pp
Superior Ocean View	£2,339pp
Terrace Room	£3,149pp
Suite	£3,959pp
Single Interior	£2,789
Single Ocean View	£3,059

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Date	Destination
Mon 5 Sep	Liverpool, England
Tue 6 Sep	Cruising
Wed 7 Sep	Cruising
Thu 8 Sep	Reykjavik, Iceland
Fri 9 Sep	Reykjavik, Iceland
Sat 10 Sep	Scenic Cruising
Sun 11 Sep	Akureyri, Iceland
Sun 11 Sep	Crossing the Icelandic Arctic Circle, Iceland
Mon 12 Sep	Seyðisfjörður, Iceland
Tue 13 Sep	Klaksvik, Faeroe Islands
Wed 14 Sep	Torshavn, Faeroe Islands
Thu 15 Sep	Cruising
Fri 16 Sep	Liverpool, England

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23rd - 26th September 2022

Supported by Ringwood 41 Club



National Camping & Caravan Rally 2022

The National Camping & Caravan Rally (open to Caravanners', Campers' and Motorhomers' !) has now become an eagerly awaited event in the Association's annual calendar, the 2021 rally this year attracting 28 units and 62 participants.

Organised in Witney by Martin and Maria Green, ably supported by Terry and Lin Cooper and Richard and Anne Dyson, all the effort and thought ensured that a superb weekend of fun, fellowship and banter was enjoyed by all. We were delighted that President Peter with Lesley and Fellowship Officer Steve with Karen were able to join us.

Buoyed by this success, work has already started to organise next year's 2022 rally, heading further south to the market town of Ringwood, on the edge of the New Forest National Park. We will be supported by a happy group of helpers (!!) from Ringwood 41 Club, Ian and Jenny, David and Jean and Will and Julie, what more could we offer you!

This stunning area of the UK has fabulous walks and cycle tracks to explore, and is close to a range of natural amenities (all within less than 1 hours drive) including

- Jurassic Coast
- Salisbury Cathedral
- Portsmouth Naval Dockyard and Mary Rose Museum
- Isle of Wight
- Corfe Castle and Swanage Steam Railway
- Southampton's Titanic Museum
- Red squirrels on Brownsea Island
- and so much more

You could even extend your holiday using Portsmouth's' Ferry Terminal less than an hour away and venture to France - Parlez Vous Francais messieurs-dames?

The fully serviced site where we have negotiated our rally is Shamba Holiday Park, near Ringwood. On site are restaurant facilities, a licenced bar, small shop and a superb 18metre indoor heated swimming pool, so bring your cossies!

An adjacent site has static caravans to hire for non-caravanners/ campers wishing to join us. Any queries, please email me region23@41club.org or look out for regular updates in future National Magazines, Newsletters and Facebook.

We look forward to welcoming you

Richard Dyson

Richard Dyson, Region 23 National Councillor





41 CLUB
NATIONAL GOLF WEEKEND
Sunday 2nd & Monday 3rd October 2022

36 GOLFERS

Two rounds of golf, dinner, bed & breakfast

Staverton Park Hotel & Golf Club, Northamptonshire

SINGLE £160 EACH | TWIN £125 EACH

See next page for details
Bookings Now Open
at <https://golf.41clubevents.co.uk>



41 Club National Golf Finals 2022

Staverton Park - 2nd- 3rd October 2022

The 2022 41 Club National Golf Finals take place at the Staverton Park Hotel & Golf Club, Northamptonshire on Sunday 2nd and Monday 3rd October 2022.

**Affiliated Clubs are invited to submit a Team of four players.
One team per 41 Club and all players must be 41 Club members.**

The cost is £125 per person for sharing a twin room and £160 for a single room.

Price includes two rounds of golf, 3 course dinner and bed & breakfast.

A Team Captain for each Club will be able to register and book in four players and either pay in full or pay a non-refundable deposit of £140 for four players, with the balance being payable on 28th June 2022.

**Player handicaps will need to be submitted nearer the date
and require official certification.**

The format of the event will be:

Sunday 2nd October

Bacon roll & coffee
18 hole National Finals - tee-off from 11:06am
3 course dinner & Finals prizegiving
Overnight stay

Monday 3rd October

Breakfast
Team Event – tee off from 09:30
Prizegiving

**Teams of four players can be booked in via the webpage
<https://golf.41clubevents.co.uk>**

Any queries should be directed to Peter McBride on pmcbride001@gmail.com

Our Vice is getting out and about

2021 was quite the year and December rounded it off in quite some style. Elland 41 Club Chairman Sid gave me a salutary lesson in looking after my speech by nicking it at their Christmas party. I have my suspicions that he was aided and abetted by Region 6 National Councillor Wynn Parry, but as I have no proof of this and he denied it with a butter wouldn't melt in his mouth expression, I will have to give him the benefit of the doubt in the absence of CCTV cameras.



The following weekend I attended Fiona Bull, the National Vice President of Ladies Circle's Christmas party, but this time as the plus one of my wife, who is her PLC Chair... There is no doubt as to whether our side by side is in question, as I would be in deep trouble at home if it was...



The following week it was great to attend the Smethwick 41 Club Christmas Party and then back to London for the incredible event known as the Lamb Xmas Party. If there is one event in the 41 Club Calendar that you must not miss, it is this. It is a magical gathering of the clans, firstly in Old Tom's Bar in Leadenhall Street, followed by a walk across to Loch Fyne for lunch. All Presidents are invited to address the room and a great time is had by all. It was my seventh Attendance and it is a running joke that I have to steal the pen of the irrepressible organiser Dave Leon who gets everyone to sign the attendance book. Every time when it disappears, he pounced like a hawk and goes through my pockets.

It was fabulous to enjoy my own PLC Xmas Party at Asha's in Birmingham organised by Richard Hudson Smith. You can never underestimate the support of a group of people, there to guide you through your Presidency and my undying thanks go out to them all. The party carried on till the early hours back at Moneypenny's. When the hangover cleared, it was up to Baildon in Yorkshire. Heather Parry the National Vice President of Tangent invited Vicky and I up to Yorkshire for dinner and it underlined how well we will work together the next Round Table Family Year...



A Connects meeting with Amy certainly got us in the Christmas spirit and not only did she have us sing carols, but we had a non strenuous workout as we had to do the movements that went along with them.

My final event of the year was to appear in the Tangent Christmas Pantomime. I was cast as the evil Baddie with a thirst for power that would have Peter Good shaking in his boots and wondering whether I was going to launch a pre-Cardiff coup. The cast was supported by Don Mullane who took on the role of Sarah the maid with far too much enthusiasm. Well they say, 'There's nothing like a dame.'

On Christmas Eve I jetted off to the Hard Rock Hotel in Cancun for two weeks of warmth with Vicky.

It just leaves for me to to wish you an amazing 2022

Jim

Jim Conway, National Vice-President



Shipleigh 41 Club Annual Christmas Dinner

Given all the problems of the year, it was a great delight to be able to go ahead with our Christmas Dinner. We had 42 people attending, 41 Clubbers, partners, and guests at the Northcliffe Golf Club in Shipleigh. We had a super night of fun and friendship.

YICF

Robert

Robert Smith
Shipleigh 41 Club



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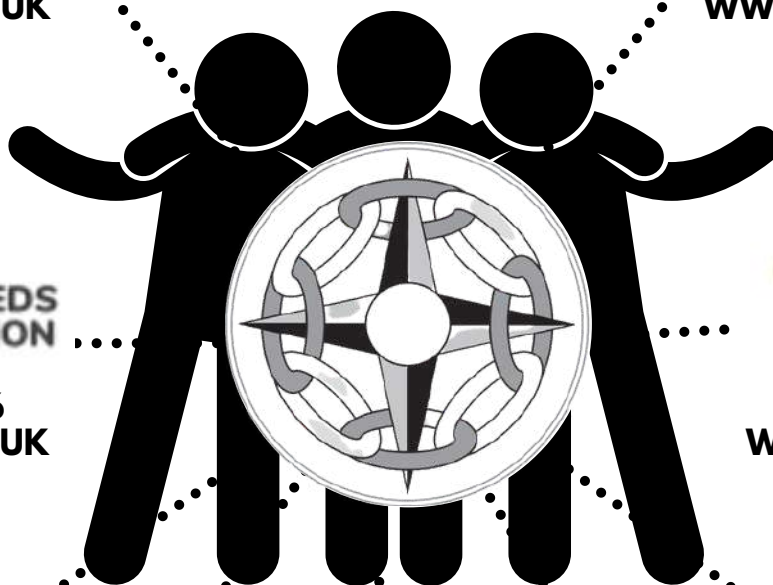


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National Conference Caption Competition



With 3 months to go before our AGM and conference in Cardiff, our conference chair Willy Wonka and his glamorous assistant Peach aka Duncan and Trudy Kennedy are so excited that they have started getting into the swing of things by getting into character most nights.

We therefore thought it would be a good idea to hold a competition for the best caption to the photos above.

The winning caption will receive a £25 voucher. Entries need to be submitted by St David's day on 1st March.

Please send your entries to fellowship@41club.org

Yours in Continued Friendship

Steve James

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National Fellowship Officer



An article from the Algarve Archives

This year we tried to be different - instead of just re-calling Club memories we thought it would be a better idea to CREATE a new memory ...

- like many Clubs our activities have been limited for too long, but we never forget the Community Service need that we all learned in RT SO from our Archive material, we revived our historic support for the Children's Orphanage here in Lagos on the Western Algarve

- 2 photos below say it all - some of the youngsters in one photo are now some of the older ones in the other ! - and the 'thank you' letter, (also below) makes it all so worthwhile - the proposal had support from all of our 35 active members, and gave us another worthwhile memory for our Archive - amazing how much benefit for others we can achieve with small organised effort - and how rewarding

- we just wanted to share this with other 41 ers ... Happy New Year !

Yours in Continued Friendship

Bob Montague & Geoff Harnett

Joint Archivists, Algarve 41 Club



Dear 41 Club,

Thank you so very much once again for your awesome generosity.

With your help and support we have managed to fund and organise another happy event for the youngsters who find themselves in the children's home in Lagos through no fault of their own.

We supplied a special 3 course lunch to the home: soup, followed by Wiener Schnitzel with sweet potato chips and salad. Dessert was a delicious, rich avocado chocolate mousse. They found the food strange, but appreciated trying something new. The schnitzels went down very well. The new restaurant "Munich" gave us a great deal and generous portions. When we returned to pick up the catering dishes, we could hear laughter and happiness as they were opening their presents and vouchers which you bought or funded.

You were so generous, that we now have extra funds for individual birthday gifts throughout 2022 and special treats. For example, tomorrow we are taking a small group to the cinema to see SpiderMan and on the 27th we are going again with another small group. We recently sponsored judo classes for Julia and Alexandre. We also pay the insurance so that those that want to, can go to the local sports centre for free.

These extras would not happen without your kind support. Thank you very much.

Merry Christmas,

Love from Neti and her fabulous elves xxxxxxx



WHISKY CORNER

KON'NICHIIWA!

Whilst most of you will be aware that Japan traditionally known for Saki, a rice wine, Japanese whisky is much older than people often realise, with the first malt distillery producing spirit as far back as 1923.

Where there once only one or two distilleries, Japanese whisky has expanded and been more creative within a new era of whisky making. Just look at the map of Japanese distilleries!

There were two 'founding fathers' of Japanese whiskies:

Shinjiro Torii - who established the Suntory brand and the first distillery Yamazaki in a suburb of Kyoto in 1923. Part of the distillery was built on the site of a former temple which shrine in which there are always two casks of maturing whisky placed there as an offerings to the gods!

Torii employed **Masataka Taketsuru** as a distillery executive, who had spent many years in Scotland studying and learning the art of distilling there, brought his skills back to Japan in the 20s and went on to found Yoichi on Hokkaido eleven years later.

The typical style and character of Japanese whisky includes honeysuckle, orange, acetone and toffee and I would strongly recommend members trying - the three whiskies below are ones that have been tasted within my Club's Whisky Club, the WACWAC and were all very much enjoyed!

Hatozaki Pure Malt

Non-aged-statement (NAS) ABV 46% - cost around £47

Named after the oldest stone lighthouse in Japan from a distillery that stands along the coast of the Seto inland sea.

A product of 100% malt whiskies which have been blended with 5 to 6-year-old single malts. The blend is then further aged in ex bourbon casks, ex sherry casks and Japanese Mizunara casks from the Hokkaido and Tohoku forests. It is only produced in small batches of less than 20 casks with no colouring or chill-filtering.

Colour - Pale straw

Nose - Dried fruit, sweet malt, a drizzle of honey, aromatic incense and sandalwood

Palate - Rich and complex with a good helping of malt, aromatic spices, dried fruit and toasted cereal notes, with a slightly creamy vanilla undertone

Finish - Delicately smoky and sweet honey on the finish, with lingering cigar box





Tokinoka Black Blended Whisky

It is NAS, is ABV 50% and costs around £48 for 50cl.

This whisky is from the White Oak distillery, located in Akashi near the town of Kobe.

This whisky is a mix of 50% malt whisky and 50% grain whisky that has been aged in three different types of cask – ex-bourbon, sherry and virgin oak casks

Colour – Deep Amber

Nose- Citrus fruits, dried apricots and floral honey

Palate - Creamy vanilla, exotic fruit and toasted oak with prickles of sweet spice

Finish - An elegant, medium length finish

Akashi Single Malt

Akashi Single Malt Whisky is 46% ABV and costs around £74 for a 50cl bottle

It's also from the White Oak distillery, which also produces Sake rice wine. The area's large annual swings in temperature results in faster maturation.

It is small family-run distillery – only 40k litres p.a.

This whisky uses Scottish lightly peated barley which is aged in two different types of casks – Ex-Bourbon 3 years, Ex-Sherry for 2 years

Colour: Pale Gold

Nose: Sherry, sweet, baked apple, slight prune

Palate: Cream, slight smoke, smooth, mellow, strong oak, vanilla, honey

Finish: Soft, smooth texture, port-like, very faint dark chocolate



Sayōnara!

Peter McBride

Peter McBride

Wallington & Carshalton 41 Club

Region 24 National Councillor & National Councillors Liaison Officer

We regret that the
Norwich Wensum & Yare 41 Club
Annual Forecasting Evening
scheduled for 17th January has been cancelled.

*A magnificent event, one would have thought this would have been
the most likely to have been anticipated!*

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