



# 41 Club

THE NEWSLETTER



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## THE SILLY SEASON

A Definition:

'In the United Kingdom, Ireland, Israel, and in some other places, the silly season is the period lasting for a few summer months typified by the emergence of frivolous news stories in the media. The term was coined in an 1861 Saturday Review article, and was listed in the second edition of Brewer's Dictionary of Phrase and Fable (1894) and remains in use at the start of the 21st century. The fifteenth edition of Brewer's expands on the second, defining the silly season as "the part of the year when Parliament and the Law Courts are not sitting (about August and September)".'

How true this is! We really are in the silly season for club news. On the copy date at the end of July I had only two very small news items and a lot of empty space. Many clubs, like my own, take the opportunity to hold outdoor and less formal events during the summer months and we want to hear about these. Showing potential members that we do other things, not just eating and wearing gongs, will help recruit new faces.

In the last few days I received a request to remove a member from the distribution of the electronic

newsletter. Nothing unusual about that as I get a few most months but what did surprise me was that this was a request from the current chairman of a club and I noted that he also has opted not receive a copy of the club magazine. Therefore in this important year in his club career he has chosen to completely cut himself off from communications from fellow members of what is intrinsically a 'fellowship organisation'. I have actioned his request and I am therefore confident that he will not be reading this item, nor any of the other items that will be published during his year in the chair.

If you are eager to attract new members to your club then please use the communication facilities that are open to you. Advertise your events, let others know of your successes and above all learn from others what makes a successful 41 Club and how they are attracting new members. In this edition are examples of some of the outdoor activities undertaken by fellow 41ers.

Make sure that your club has a future and not just a past! Let us work together to ensure that there is no 'silly season' for the newsletter next year.

## CONFERENCE CALL

The Harrogate Conference is booking up really well with 416 delegates booked in by 31<sup>st</sup> July. There is a real danger that this conference will sell out as we have a maximum of 550 for the functions – so be warned!

Birmingham 2016 is in the planning stages, but we are looking for a venue for 2017. If you are thinking that you could organise a conference, now is the time to consider it as we are hoping to be in a position to decide in October, assuming there are bids to consider.

Just email [fellowship@41club.org](mailto:fellowship@41club.org) to express an interest.

Barry Durman – National Fellowship Officer



BE A MATCH, SAVE A LIFE

**Advance Notice!**

**The most important event in 41Club for 10 years.**

**Keep Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2015 clear in your diary!**

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*Copy Date for September Newsletter*  
*30th August 2014*

## EDITORIAL

I remember well the Round Table meeting in 1986 when we received a letter (yes this was pre internet and email days) asking if we would organise a clinic for blood samples to be taken for an organisation called Anthony Nolan. We gasped .... were we supposed to take blood samples? ... the explanation soon followed how RTBI had volunteered to find 100,000 new potential bone-marrow donors in just a six week period. (Doctors had in fact volunteered to actually take the blood.) Our clinic was a great success and was in fact over subscribed, so any Tablers who wanted to donate had to attend later donor sessions.

This event was to change the Anthony Nolan Register and charity forever. In Table's Diamond Jubilee year we raised £1,000,000 towards the the funding of a permanent laboratory at the Royal Free Hospital in Hampstead. Shirley Nolan spoke at a national AGM and thanked Round Table for all its help. This charity was taken to the heart by the organisation and

when the Anthony Nolan Laboratory was opened the Round Table logo was proudly displayed along side that of Anthony Nolan.

The Anthony Nolan charity is celebrating 40 years in 2014 and National President Jim has chosen it as his charity for the year. There will be lots of opportunities for you and your clubs to help. This help is just not financial as you can encourage your younger male relatives (between 18 and 40) to join the register by taking a simple spit test. (Blood samples are no longer necessary.)

Within the next few weeks our charity calendar for 2015 will be going on sale and you can help by purchasing one. All profits will be donated to Anthony Nolan, so please buy one and help a charity so close to our RTBI hearts.

**Ray Hill**  
**comms@41club.org**

## POYNTON 41 CLUB VS POYNTON ROUND TABLE

In June Poynton 41 Club challenged their Round Table to an evening's go karting. This just shows what an influx of new blood can do!!



The evening consisted of a one hour endurance race with four teams of four drivers.

And the 41 Club team Won!

No	Team Name	Lap	Time	Gap	Start	Order	Driver
1st	Team 4-11, 12, 13, 14	112	1:13:47.375				0:26:275 69
2nd	Team 1-10, 11, 12, 13	109	1:14:00.751	3.376	3.134		0:26:034 103
3rd	Team 2-11, 12, 13, 14	107	1:13:59.765	3.126	1.344		0:27:867 8
4th	Team 3-11, 12, 13, 14	105	1:14:07.281	3.906	1.774		0:26:542 58

Results as at: 17 June 2014 - 20:55:12



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## CROQUET TIME

Rhyl 41 Club and their Ladies had a great evening learning how to play croquet at Llanfairfechan on the sunny North Wales coast overlooking Anglesey and Puffin Island.

The local members acted as hosts, coaches and referees to ensure that fair play ensued.

After our close encounter we retreated to the Split Willow for a convivial evening.



## DEESIDE 41 CLUB GETS MORE NEW MEMBERS!

Following on from the rejuvenation of Poynton 41 Club ( my own Club) I am pleased to report that Deeside in Region 12 have now gone up to 26 members, having had two recent influxes from their local Round Table.

Indeed member Ian Butler recently commented that they would need two sittings for dinner at their local hostelry!!

**Keep up the good work!!**

**Lawrence Bamber,  
National Councillor Region 12**

## CAN YOU HELP?

As part of my role on the Fellowship Committee , I am compiling a list of guest speakers for Charter Nights / Regional Dinners etc.

Ideally we need the speaker's name, subject, any cost involved, location and contact details.

This info will then be shared with all contributors and Clubs.

Cheers & Hinges

**Lawrence Bamber  
National Councillor, Region 12**

## RHYL'S 50TH CHARTER ANNIVERSARY

Gentlemen, this is a preliminary notice that this prestigious event will take place on Friday, October 24th so that you can rearrange your schedules as necessary. The celebrations will be held at Rhuddlan Golf Club, gathering at 7.00 to be serenaded by the superlative sound of the Rhyl Silver Band.

Meal at 7.30 and I have an excellent speaker lined up in the form of Mike Lewis, a very funny guy (as he tells me ).Cost is to be computed but will not exceed 20 shekels. Full details will follow closer to and we look forward to welcoming you in both quality and quantity.

**Allan Jones  
Rhyl 41 Club**



# THE TOP 12 EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event	Venue	Organisers	Contact
12 September 2014	Region 10 Cluster	College Court, Leicester	Leicester de Montfort 41 Club	<a href="mailto:newmansathome@tiscali.co.uk">newmansathome@tiscali.co.uk</a>
14 September 2014	Region 3 Ireland Half Yearly Lunch	Armagh City Hotel, Armagh	Region 3	<a href="mailto:region3@41club.org">region3@41club.org</a>
17 October 2014	53rd White Rose Dinner	Met Hotel, Leeds	Bramhope 41 Club	Paul Berry Tel: 07736 561964
7 November 2014	Oxford College Dinner 2014	Somerville College, Oxford	Frank Venables	<a href="mailto:region20@41club.org">region20@41club.org</a>
21 November 2014	Red Rose Dinner	Lancaster Brewery, Lancaster	Lancaster 41 Club	<a href="mailto:redrosedinner@btinternet.com">redrosedinner@btinternet.com</a>
10 December 2014	The Lamb Christmas Meeting	The Lamb, London	Dave Leon	
12 January 2015	Martin Young Memorial Cluster	Southend		
26 January 2015	Norwich, Wensum & Yare Forecast Night	Wensum Valley Hotel, Taverham		
13 February 2015	Prince Bishop's Dinner	Hexham		
27 February 2015	St David's Day Dinner	Llangollen		
4 March 2015	Mid Wales Cluster	Lakeside Golf Club, Oswestry		
6 March 2015	Dorset Knobs	Bournemouth		



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## Region 3 Ireland Half Yearly Lunch



Armagh City Hotel,  
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County Armagh  
BT60 4FR Northern Ireland  
TEL: 0044 28 3751 8888  
E: [info@armaghcityhotel.com](mailto:info@armaghcityhotel.com)

14<sup>th</sup> Sept 2014

11:00-13:00

Lunch at 13:15

£20pp



### This year's lunch is hosted by Armagh 41 club

Region 3 Ireland Chairman Cormac Clancy, Dublin 41, requests that all 41 Clubs in Ireland come together to continue fellowship with friends gained in Round Table. An opportunity for members to voice their views of 41 as it is today and the chance to ask questions of invited guests and officers of Region 3. This year's guest speakers are Janice O'Neill, 2014-15 National President of Tangent Clubs of GB&Ire and for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in a row, the National President of 41 Clubs GB&Ire, Jim Smith. All 41ers are welcome to attend the lunch, but it is wise to book before Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> August 2014. To reserve your seat and book your lunch email: [region3@41club.org](mailto:region3@41club.org) or phone Phill on 07828021807. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

# PRESENTING THE NATIONAL COUNCILLORS 2014-2015

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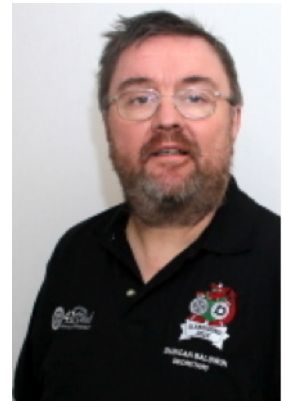


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Hobbies I have always been fascinated by languages. I am bilingual English/French having lived for 24 years in France. I also speak reasonable German and have a good grounding in Dutch/Flemish. I have learned a little Italian, Spanish, Russian and Japanese but nowhere near enough to hold a conversation! I used to translate semi-professionally, mainly for classical record labels based in Germany and Belgium. Interested in mobile phone technology. I played bass guitar for approximately 20 years, starting and maintaining two bands when I was at secondary school.



GIVE THEM A CALL



# TEA TIMES



April 2015

News from Party Tyne and Angels of the North

## Harrogate Conference warned to expect European invasion

### Tangent and 41 Club members advised to get their bookings in early

Source: Party Tyne and Angels of the North News Agency

Bookings for T' Mad Yorkshire 'T' Party in Harrogate are running at record levels, claim the organisers, Party Tyne and Angels of the North.

New figures from the Office of Party Statistics also showed that interest rates are rising among overseas 41 Club and Tangent members and there is likely to be an outbreak of badly pronounced attempts at Yorkshire accents emanating from t' other side o' t' Channel.

Delegates are advised to book early via the One-Stop booking system.

"The alternative is unthinkable," said a T' Party spokesperson "overseas visitors coming over here, drinking all our tea, dancing to our music, exchanging their banners with our Presidents and generally enjoying themselves."

"We suspect they have discovered our booking site on [www.41-tangent-conference2015.co.uk](http://www.41-tangent-conference2015.co.uk)



**Conference numbers set to reach an all-time high.** Party-goers jam the approaches to Harrogate - many claim nobody had told them they could book on-line at [www.41-tangent-conference2015.co.uk](http://www.41-tangent-conference2015.co.uk)

## Bettys afternoon tea will now be held behind closed doors

### Private room reserved for Tangent and 41 Club Tea Time

Friday afternoon will be an early highlight for many of the Harrogate delegates as Bettys world famous Tea Rooms plan to run the vacuum around their VIP room.

Exclusive five star treatment will make the visit an event to remember and should ensure a degree of safety from the gatecrash palms of an assortment of Hatters, Dornice and March Hares. Organisers claim this may be the only occasion when restraint will be encouraged .... unless Tea-timers have other plans.



Thursday's Welcome Party  
\*  
Still a Few Places Available For Early Bookers

Golf Tournament  
\*  
Walking Tour  
\*  
Bus Trip



### The Old Swan Hotel



563 yards - 5 minutes' walk from the Majestic

Surrounded by picturesque lawns and gardens, The Old Swan was once the famous retreat of Agatha Christie. It offers modern rooms with en suite facilities.

Originally an 18th-century coaching inn, it now features rooms with tea and coffee-making facilities, a TV and trouser press. Some also have a stand-alone baths and views over the garden.

Just a short walk from Harrogate town centre, the building is 5 minutes' walk from the famous Betty's Tearoom and 15 minutes from Harrogate Railway Station.

Free car parking.

### The Yorkshire Hotel



1,654 yards (0.94 miles) 10 minutes' walk or £5.00 taxi from the Majestic

The Yorkshire Hotel is situated in Harrogate, opposite Betty's Tea Rooms.

It is a 5-minute walk from Harrogate Train Station and the HEC. Leeds Bradford Airport is a 20-minute drive away.

Rooms at the Yorkshire Hotel feature en suite bathrooms, a TV and free Wi-Fi. They also include a radio, telephone and facilities for making tea and coffee.

With an elegant Victorian exterior, the Yorkshire Hotel provides modern amenities and fresh, contemporary interior décor.

Free car parking

### The Cedar Court Hotel



1,900 yards (1.08 miles) - 25 minutes' walk or £5.00 taxi from the Majestic

Overlooking the famous 200 acre Stuy parkland, the historic Grade II listed Cedar Court Hotel Harrogate dates back to 1671 and sits on the site of the town's first ever hotel.

Today it is one of Harrogate's finest four star hotels, combining the building's grand original features with a stylish modern twist.

Free Wi-Fi is now available for guests throughout the hotel.

Free car parking.

### The Cairn Hotel



475 yards - 4 minutes' walk from the Majestic.

This grand, Victorian hotel boasts private gardens, a gym, and classical décor. Its traditionally furnished rooms feature private bathrooms, while Harrogate's centre is 5 minutes' walk away.

Each room at The Cairn includes a TV, 24-hour room service and tea/coffee-making facilities.

Both The Royal Pump Room Museums and Betty's Tea Rooms are a 10-minute walk away. Harrogate Theatre and Harrogate Rail Station are both 15 minutes away on foot.

Free car parking.

One-stop bookings now on [www.41-tangent-conference2015.co.uk](http://www.41-tangent-conference2015.co.uk)



Supporting the Anthony Nolan Trust



# 41 Club

EX-ROUND TABLERS

## Region 10

### Annual Cluster



## Friday 12 September 2014

### 7.15 for 7.45 @ College Court

### Knighton Rd, Leicester LE2 3TQ

Hosted by: Leicester De Montfort 41 Club

Dress: Black Tie - Medals On

Exceptional Value Four Course Dinner.

Concert Brass Band - *Liquid Brass*

Phenomenally Funny Comedian

and a surprise entertainer



### Ticket Price

£35.00 cheque in advance

£37.50 cash on the night

### BOOK IN BY Email:

Mark Newman LDM 41 Club Treasurer at

[newmansathome@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:newmansathome@tiscali.co.uk)

Please state name club, payment method and any special dietary needs.

### Overnight Accommodation

£50.00 - Double room en-suite

£60.00 - Executive room en-suite

Both include full breakfast

Ring 0116 244 9669 to book your room

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