



41 Club
THE NEWSLETTER



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Birmingham Conference 2016 GO WILD in the West Midlands

Birmingham Conference is just at the end of the pass and we look forward to seeing as many of you partners as possible coming to Go Wild in the West Midlands in April.



Our events will take place in the Historic Council House as well as the newly built Edgbaston Cricket Ground Banqueting Suite.

You have the chance to go back in time with our walking tours to the Back to Back Houses or the Jewellery Quarter Museum. We also have an open top bus

tour around Birmingham seeing many of the historic, cultural and recently developed buildings. Not forgetting the chance to visit the restaurants and bars surrounding the canals of Birmingham.



The 41 Club AGM will be in the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra practice room as seen recently on Question Time.



If arriving by train you will see the refurbished New Street Station and the Grand Central Shopping Mall including John Lewis. This is only a short walk from the Conference hotel so easy to visit along with the Bullring for some retail therapy.

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tastes and make Birmingham Conference one to remember. For those of you already booked, you should have received an email asking for the balance of your payment which is due by 12 February. If you are still looking to mosey on down, our allocated rooms are nearly all booked so please visit the website (www.41clubconference.co.uk) soon to make your reservation.

Editor Ray Hill
National Communications Officer
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23rd February 2016

LAST CHANCE TO ENTER !

A reminder that entries for the National Photographic Competition will close on Monday the 29th February 2016. Now in its fifth year, the competition is open to all members of 41 Club and has traditionally been judged at the National Conference and AGM, but this year, for the first time, all entries will be displayed on the Internet and all members are invited to vote for their favourites. In early March you will receive an invitation with a link to the gallery and voting mechanism so please view the entries and help select the winner for 2016.

For those interested in entering the competition the rules are:

1. Each photograph must be the work of the person entering it and entries are limited to four per member.
2. Entry is only available to members who can be verified on the CAS database.
3. Entries to be submitted electronically to comms@41club.org.
4. All entries must include the name and club of the photographer and a title.
5. Photographs must not have been entered into any other competition.
6. The closing date for entries is Monday 29th February 2016.
7. The photographer grants permission for the Association to use the photographs for charitable fund-raising activities.

Please note that the photographs must be high resolution (usually at least 1 Mb) in order that they can be displayed in A4 format.

All entries should be sent to comms@41club.org.

Has your club undertaken any Community Service work in the last year?

The Malcolm Lockey Community Service trophy, first presented by Past President Malcolm Lockey in 2011, is given to a club who, in the opinion of the Immediate Past President, has undertaken the best community service event or programme during the year. The current holders are Shirley Late Knights. We are looking for nominations for this prestigious trophy and would love to hear what your club has been doing. We know there are many clubs out there who continue to organise things for the benefit of their local communities independently of their Round Table, even if they still have one, so tell us about your exploits. If you have photographs of what you have done please send them in with your nomination.

Please send nominations by e-mail to pastpresident@41club.org and secretary@41club.org. The award will be presented at the AGM in Birmingham on 16 April and entries must be received by 9th April 2016.

Jim Smith
Immediate Past President

30 YEARS AT THE LAMB

30th Anniversary Lunch.

Date: Wednesday 9/3/16

Time: 12:30 hrs onwards

Venue: Basement Bar (Old Tom's Bar), The Lamb, Leadenhall Market, London

Lunch: Mezzanine Floor, The Lamb (tbc)

Contact David Leon - david.leon@btinternet.com

DYDD GWYL DEWI HAPUS!

REGION 12 41 CLUB ST DAVID'S DAY DINNER.

PLEASE JOIN RHYL & DISTRICT 41 CLUB FOR A NIGHT OF CELEBRATION ON

FRIDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2016

AT THE FAENOL FAWR HOTEL, 7PM FOR 7.30PM.

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TERRY'S TRAVELS

Wow! January was a busy month. It was straight back in after New Year with a visit to local Club Bath where I was delighted to induct a new member into the Club. Followed the next night by a trip to Kenilworth and Leamington Spa's games evening. Teamed up with National Councillor Tom Atkins we discovered we were only really any good at the table football but we had a great evening anyway!

Next it was off with Lin to Ireland to see National Councillor's Liaison Officer Phillip Ellis to attend the region 3 Rally in Belfast. Phillip took us to see the venue for the 2018 Belfast National Conference, The Titanic Centre, which is spectacular and a will make it a Conference not to be missed. I also met the new Region 3 National Councillor Stewart Thompson, welcome to the team Stewart.

Back on Sunday afternoon and then out to Cheltenham 41 Club's 60th Charter on Monday followed by my own Club Isis Area for a games evening on the Tuesday. Lin and I were off again on Friday flying to Edinburgh for Linlithgow 41 Club Burns night. We were royally looked after by the guys in Scotland with a short town tour on the Friday afternoon to see where Mary Queen of Scots was born and visit a couple of pubs as well, of course. Back on Saturday to Birmingham for a Burns Night attended by some of the Birmingham Conference Committee and then chairing the Round Table Family Day Meeting at Marchesi House on the Sunday. Another great meeting with real progress and agreed shared goals for the future.

A very interesting visit for me on Tuesday 19th with Oxford 41 Club to the Williams F1 factory at Grove in Oxfordshire.



Whilst mentioning Oxford I would like to thank them and Chairman, Trevor Halls, for inducting me into the Club as a member at their AGM last November. Oxford 41 Club is the follow-on Club from my Table, Oxford 144, and the guys wanted to induct me during my Presidential year which was a wonderful experience and made my year even more special. Wednesday found me back in Birmingham for Mosley's Burns night followed by a quick trip North with VP Barry Durman to attend Glossop's Burn's night on the Thursday, complete with a lady piper. Back to Birmingham for the 41 Club Board Meeting on the Saturday then joining up with Lin to drive to Norwich for the Wensum and Yare Forecast Meeting on the Monday. A mention here for Martin Sexton who started this wonderful event 15 years ago and

has done brilliant job to establish it as a major event in the 41 Club year. I was delighted to be there for his last one as he handed over the reins this year.

Whilst in Norwich I met with National Councillor Des Fulcher who is doing great things preserving and enhancing a facility at Cinema City in the Norwich city centre where Round Table were formed in 1927. Des is working with the current owners to create a Function Room that will be called the Marchesi Room and have a permanent record of Round Table always on display, well done Des.



A quick trip back on Tuesday before we were off again to finalise the hotel for the 2016 Classic Rally we're hosting in Somerset on August 5-7th just outside Yeovil. You'll find an advert for the event in this Newsletter and Entry Forms will be published next month. However, if you can't wait drop Lin an email to lin@cooperbradbury.co.uk and Lin will send you the details. The Rally Hotel is between Yeovil and the village of West Coker with ample parking and 27 rooms available with a mixture of Deluxe Double/twin, Standard Double/twin and Single. We've been able to keep the prices the same as last year but with a small saving on the Saturday night meal cost if you're not staying in the Rally Hotel. Rates include Bed, Breakfast and Evening meal for two sharing for those staying and there are other hotels and Guest Houses available locally if you want to pick your own accommodation.

The week was far from over for me as I visited Gordano Valley 41 Club on the Wednesday night, Abingdon 41 Club with Past President Martin Green on Thursday night and my own Club, Clevedon, for their Chairman's Night on the Friday which was a short walk from my house which meant no driving!

Before I finish can I thank all of my drivers during January, including Lin. The members who have home hosted me and more often than not Lin as well during the month. Finally, a big "Thank You" to the Clubs who have given me donations for my Charity, The Stroke Association, I'm very grateful guys and I appreciate every donation I receive.

Well it's February 1st today and I'm off again on my travels on Wednesday so I had better get on with the packing and looking for a few more new jokes, see you somewhere at an event soon.

Yours in Continued Friendship,

Terry,
National President 2015 -2016.

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WENSUM & YARE 41 CLUB GETS MICHELIN STAR TREATMENT

Another successful Forecast Night was held at Wensum Valley Hotel, on Monday, organised for the 15th year by Wensum & Yare 41 Club.

The guest of honour was Galton Blackiston, the owner and chef patron of Morston Hall, who gave the 130 guests an entertaining account of how he gained his Michelin star, along with other anecdotes from his rise to fame.

The evening is an opportunity for the guests and members from many other 41 Clubs to try and forecast the outcome of sporting, business, political and local events in 2016 and find out how accurate they were in the previous year. The highest score wins a trophy and this year's Forecaster of the Year is Damian Humphrey, who was presented with his trophy by 41 Club National President, Terry Cooper.

Funds raised by the event, expected to be in excess of £1200, will go to Galton Blackiston's charity of choice, the East Anglian Children's Hospice.

Over the last 15 years Wensum & Yare 41 Club have raised over £11,000 for a variety of charities. This has mainly been due to the huge amount of work and commitment by the event organiser, Martin Sexton, who is finally standing down this year. A presentation of an engraved crystal ball was made to Martin, by Peter Griffin, the chairman of Wensum & Yare 41 Club, in recognition and appreciation of his contribution.

The event was also attended by the National President of 41 Club, Terry Cooper, who addressed the meeting with news that his National Appeal had raised over £20,000 for the Stroke Association.



Damian Humphrey, winner of the 2016 Forecaster of the Year trophy; Galton Blackiston, owner of Morston Hall; Terry Cooper, National President of 41 Club; Martin Sexton, retiring organiser of the event; Peter Griffin, Chairman of Wensum & Yare 41 Club



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5-7TH AUGUST 2016 **41 CLUB CLASSIC** **RALLY.**

Based Nr YEOVIL in SOMERSET

By popular demand the 2016 41 Club Classic Rally will be held in Somerset. Highlight of the weekend, other than the great roads and scenery, will be lunch and a conducted tour of the Haynes Motor Museum on the Saturday afternoon. Arrive on Friday night for an informal dinner, Saturday morning assemble in the car park at the hotel before driving to Haynes around the Somerset lanes. Gala Dinner with a quiz on the Saturday night. Sunday morning a visit to a local attraction followed by lunch.

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**Haynes Motor
Museum Tour**

**Great routes
around the
Somerset lanes**

**Saturday night
Gala Dinner and
Quiz**

**Sunday morning
drive to a local
attraction**

**Finish with a great
lunch in a Country
Pub**

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emailed Entry Form
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welcome)

ABINGDON 41 VISIT THE BMW MINI PLANT

Members of Abingdon & District 41 Club visited the BMW Mini Plant in Oxford for a tour of the manufacturing facility.



The first part of the visit was to the Body Shop where they saw the multi-million-pound investment that BMW have made in robotic technology to assemble the body shells of the three Minis that are made – the 2 door, 4 door and the Clubman.



The body shop is totally computerised with each panel being welded together by robots. This ensures complete accuracy due to the lack of human intervention.

Members then went to the Assembly Line to see how each vehicle is assembled after it has come out of the Body and Paint Shop. Each car, as it moves along the line, is different due to the huge number of options available, and the need for different specifications across the world. The computerised sequencing system ensures that all the parts arrive to each section of the line to ensure it is made exactly to the customer's specification. Parts arrive on a 'just in time' basis from all over the world.



The 'line' is ergonomically designed to ensure operatives do not have to strain or bend when fitting parts to the vehicles.

The plant produces a new Mini every sixty seconds and operates 5 days a week – 22 hours a day.

Martin Green
National President 2013-2014

A NIGHT AT THE ETIHAD

Poynton 41 Club visited the Etihad Stadium to see Manchester City beat Everton (eventually) in the Capitol One (aka Carling; aka League Cup semi final! The score was 3 - 1. Wembley here we come!!

Lawrence Bamber



MOSELEY 41 CLUB BURNS NIGHT 20TH JANUARY 2016

Under the chairmanship of Ken Scivyer, Moseley 41 Club held their first regional Burns Night at their home venue of Kings Heath Cricket and Sports Club. The event was attended by 95 guests with great support from Shirley Late Knights, Kings Norton, Wythall and City of Birmingham 41 Clubs. Round Table was represented by City of Birmingham 50 and Moseley 316. As well as an excellent turnout of 25 members from Moseley 41 Club and a number of invited guests from other organisations and clubs.



It would be remiss not to mention that we were blessed with the presence of our National President Terry Cooper and National Vice President Barry Durman.

As a club, Moseley 41 had held a Burns Evening for a number of years and it came as a shock to Moseley members that our regular piper Martin Hewins had sadly passed away at the beginning of the year.

Our host Peter Hunt started the evening with a few words in remembrance followed by a whisky toast to Martin.

There would be many more whisky toasts to follow!

The haggis was piped in by piper Mike Hope, followed by bar staff Kerri who was the Poosie Nancy for the evening carrying the Haggis on a silver salver, followed by the chef Peter Hunt with knife and steel and Peter Perkins bringing up the rear with a full bottle of scotch. The haggis was addressed by Fred Richie in true traditional style.

Later the haggis skin atop a dirk was paraded by Kerri followed by Peter Perkins with an empty bottle of scotch.

Peter then lamented the skin in a black country dialogue that raised many a laugh. Following the roll call of clubs present, Paul Ankcorn, a founder member of Wythall RT and chairman of Okehampton 41 Club had been omitted and he found it only right that he should say a few words to put the record straight.



A raffle was held during the evening, tickets being sold by Helen Hunt, Gail Ventress and Christine Foley that with their persuasive ways raised £465 for 41 Club charities.



Entertainment rounded off the evening by the Mad Jocks and Englishmen a suitable finish to what was a right guid blether wi' the help o' a dram or two and drouthy cronies.

Mike Foley
Moseley 41 Club

AND GLOSSOP'S BURNS NIGHT



FUTURE EVENTS

LYTHAM ST ANNES 41 CLUB

1941 - 2016



ANNIVERSARY DINNER 11th MARCH 2016

Fylde Rugby Club - 7.30 for 8.00 - Formal Dress

Join our National President, the Mayor of St Annes and comedian Terry Cotta to help us celebrate this special anniversary. The ticket cost of £35 includes a four course dinner, unforgettable entertainment and this commemorative lapel badge.

Tickets will be limited so book early by emailing Dave Curran at

headroomgate@gmail.com



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41 Club Region 23 [Wessex]



GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY 22nd JULY 2016

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Entry Fee £40 per player
Handicap Max. 24 [but you can enter if higher]
Teams 3 per team from same 41 Club please
Tee Times 9.30am onwards [locals first]

For an entry form please contact **Gerry Gallop at 30 Elms Avenue Lilliput Poole Dorset BH14 8EF** or by email to leogmg@ntlworld.com by no later than **Friday 24th June 2016** with cheques for £40 per person in favour of: **"Bournemouth North 41 Club"**



Chairman Steve Bolter & Members of Wareham 41 Club invite you to the 45th Anniversary of

"DORSET KNOBS"

Friday 4th March 2016

The Vitality Stadium, Kings Park, Bournemouth. BH7 7AF



Home of Bournemouth Athletic Football Club,
6.30 pm for 7.45pm.

For a football themed Dorset Knobs dinner including the traditional Dorset Knobs, Blue Vinny cheese and Port
In the presence of The National President of the Association of Ex-Round Tablers' Clubs.

Compered and entertained by Scott Charlton

The Famous Wareham 41 Club Wheelbarrow of Wine raffle and the dinner will support the National President's Appeal for Stroke Association and members are asked to bring a bottle of wine plus a £5 note to enter the raffle.

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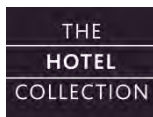
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