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You Don't Have To Be A David Bailey!

Entry for the National Photographic Competition 2018 is now open to all members and you do not need to be a David Bailey to enter. Now in its sixth year we have had a wide variety of entries over the years. 41ers travel the world and have some amazing photos as memories but photos in your back garden can be just as interesting.

Every member can submit up to four photographs and the membership will be asked to vote on-line. A selection of the photographs will be used to produce the 2019 calendar in support of the National President's charity.

So if you have not doen so already get your cameras out and send us your best shots. Closing date for entries is 28th February. Send your photos to comms@41club.org

CLICK HERE for the full rules



Winner 2017
Jim O'Farrell, Aldershot



Second 2017 Stephen Batt, Rugby Webb Ellis

The newsletter depends upon you, the members, for its content, so please forward your items to share with the other members to region5@41club.org

The copy date for the March newsletter is Sunday 25th February.

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

CLUB SALES

To view the full range of regalia, gifts and clothing visit the 41 Club Sales site.



Round Table Reminisces by Bob Oxley

Part One

That was fantastic!

A work colleague of mine whom I met and became friends with at a company seminar, had invited my wife and I to Stockport for the weekend, and taken us to a Ladies Night organised by the Round Table of which he was a member. The whole evening had been a great success. Good food, funny speeches, excellent music and dancing, but with a serious side, as the Chairman presented a large cheque to a local charity organisation, the proceeds of fund raising undertaken by the club.

The following day we drove back to Hertfordshire, thinking how lucky he and his wife were to have such a club locally. The next month in my local, one of the regulars was trying to recruit a pub team to take part in an 'It's a Knockout' competition, organised by, would you believe, the local Round Table. Cash prizes were being offered to the winners, and overall, money was being raised to buy a scanner for our local hospital. There were also events for children including fancy dress, games and races.



We had a great day. We never stopped laughing, finished up knackered, some of us soaking wet, but still managed to come second. There was a pig roast and dancing in the evening, and later, the Table announced that they had raised several thousand pounds towards the scanner appeal. They also appealed for new members. I applied. I had to commit to attending regular fortnightly meetings, and was put on a committee, one of several that were responsible for organising the activities of the club.

My wife was invited by the chairman's wife to a coffee morning, and announced that evening that, although there wasn't an official Ladies Circle, she was joining a group of wives who met and supported the Table. As a salesman, I was away from home a lot and was concerned about my attendance. I was told that a visit to another Table would count, so I gained a real benefit by being able to visit many other Tables when staying away in their location. Definitely beats sitting alone in a hotel dining room, even though I had occasion to remove the shoe cleaning machine from my bed in Torquay and suffer ridicule in Scotland for adding a mixer to my scotch.



Our social life changed dramatically. Fortunately, in those days, it was still OK for fathers to carry out babysitting commitments in other people's homes, so if we weren't out ourselves, one or other of us was usually babysitting somewhere else. On one occasion, Table was having a Roman theme night. I was dressed as a roman soldier, with foil covered cardboard arm and leg armour, headdress, shield and mock armour attached to a white tennis skirt. I donned a raincoat and went to pick up the babysitter, a neighbour's daughter who was sleeping over. Her parents were having a dinner party at home. I wasn't allowed to leave with their daughter until I had shown them all my costume. Embarrassing or what?

I decided that I liked the Table ethos of associating with 'like minded men', 'fellowship' and 'community service'. It was fun, character building and extremely satisfying. I wanted to get more involved, which I'll tell you about in the next instalment.

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International News

41 Club International Presidency

41 Club GB&I will be bidding for the Presidency of 41 Club International 2020-21, the organisation grouping the National Associations of over 20 countries. The process for achieving this is quite complicated so here is a brief overview of the process.

This involves our Association putting itself forward for the position at the forthcoming 41 International AGM to take place in Austria in May 2018. Should 41 Club GB&I be successful, we have to present our candidate at the following International Half-Yearly Meeting to take place in Morocco.

The successful country's candidate will be Second Vice-President Elect and will become 41 International Vice-President Elect 2019-2020, Vice-President 2020-2021, then 41 International President 2021-2022. This will also require GB&I to host the 41 Club International AGM in the UK in 2021.

Nominations for the prospective role of international President were sought and we have three candidates The eventual winner will be selected by the AGM in Belfast in April.

We will keep you informed of the progress.

International AGM



Two weeks after our AGM the attention turns to Pörtschach in Austria for the 41 Club International AGM.

The current President, Bruce McKay from South Africa will be handing over to Dr Ulrich Suppan from Austria for the next twelve months.

41 GB&I will be bidding for the presidency at this meeting, so your support would be very welcome.

For details of the AGM and pre-tours

CLICK HERE

International HYM

If you are looking for somewhere warmer then the International Half Year Meeting is being held in Marrakesh over the weekend of 12th to 14th October.



Why not visit the AGM and extend it into a holiday in this very popular North African location.

CLICK HERE for details

Welcome To 41 Club Kenya

Dateline Saturday 27th January 2018

Location Kisumu, Kenya









International President's New Year's Message

Dear All 41'ers, Side by Side Family and Friends, So it is time to say farewell to the year 2017 and welcome the year 2018. This past year has been a year where I am sure we have all experienced both happiness and sadness alike as well as successes and failures, but you know what when we do not succeed it is not failure but rather a lesson on how to do it better next time. When we succeed it is great to share the delight with our friends and family.

Life is full of challenges and we all experience them at some time or another and that my friends is what makes our organisation the greatest because no matter how bad or good it gets we will always have the support and friendship amongst us. Our organisation has faced many challenges over the



years, but together we have resolved those challenges and we will continue to do so into the future.

We as an association are growing in leaps and bounds and I forecast that 2018 will bring us many successes, especially with such a great board to assist me as well as the help from each and every one of our members.

n closing my family and I would like to wish each and everyone of you an absolutely amazing 2018. May the best of 2017 be the worst of 2018 and may you experience the joy of happiness and success as all of you deserve.

Remember don't drink and drive...stay alive and see you all in the new year.

Bruce

Forthcoming National Events

Classic Rally 2018

We are often asked "What is a classic?" and "Does my car qualify?". The answer is simple, it does not matter how old your vehicle is but is it interesting to others. Every model of car will become a classic one day, yes even a Ford or Vauxhall. We have never had a Ford Anglia or Cortina, not a glimpse of a Vauxhall Nova or Vectra. All British Leyland cars are now classics and classics role off the production lines of Jaguar, Porsche, Morgan etc. every day of the week.

So if you like to share your vehicle with fellow petrol heads then you will be very welcome in Cardiff on the 8th-10th June.

For full details and a booking form **CLICK HERE**





41 Club and Tangent Cruise 2018

The 2018 cruise be departs from Liverpool on the 8th August for a 9-night cruise to the Norwegian Fjords and the Shetland Islands. You will receive a 10% discount on the published fare for your cabin and £50 per person onboard spend, In addition, we will have a club drinks reception and plenty of time to socialise with fellow members.

Early booking is recommended to take advantage of our special deal with Fred. Olsen Cruises.

CLICK HERE for the full itinerary and pricing.

We look forward to welcoming you aboard.

Calling All Cyclists

Northampton Nene 41 Club are organising a cycling weekend from the 10th to 12th August. They are offering home hosting for the early bookers and promise a great weekend of cycling around the Northamptonshire countryside and socialising. numbers are limited so book in early. Full details are on the next page.













CALLING 212019 SERIOUS CYCLISTS

17-19th August 2018

Join our cyclists enjoying their twin passions

- Cycling in Northamptonshire's Lovely countryside
- Socialising

Accommodation

- Home Hosting on a "first come" basis
- Overspill at nearby hotel

Cycling

- On Saturday am. pm. and Sunday am
- Saturday Ride 60-80 miles
- A shorter option will be available

Socialising & Cost - £37

- includes Friday Evening Food and Saturday BBQ
- Excludes Accommodation and Sunday Lunch

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

SEND YOUR CHEQUE SOON OR PAY BY BACS

SEND BOOKING
FORM TO
KEN BANFIELD
NORTHAMPTON 985 41
CLUB
20 SUNNINGDALE CLOSE
KINGSLEY
NORTHAMPTON

E mail

NN27LR

ken.banfield@virginmedia.com

Mobile

07740104242

It's Hillier Than you think

An opportunity for the regular cyclists to share a weekend of touring Northamptonshire and to socialise with fellow 41ers.

RETURN OF

THE 41 CLUB CARAVAN RALLY

Friday 7 September – Monday 10 September 2018 (3 nights)



Following the great success of last year's event, the 41 Club Caravan Rally is returning in September 2018 by popular demand to Hardwick Parks, Standlake near Oxford.

36 couples in caravans, motor-homes and tents enjoyed a fun weekend organised by Martin Green in 2017. You are now invited to join us for our return to Hardwick this year, when we are extending the weekend to 3 nights – checking in on Friday 7 September and departing on Monday 10 September 2018.

This beautiful, award-winning park provides us with our own field with large grass pitches by the side of a lake offering walks, swimming and water sports. Each pitch is serviced with hook-up.



The Park has fully airconditioned toilet and shower block facilities on the edge of



the camping field, so you don't have to stroll too far from your bed at the crack of dawn. There is a well-stocked on-site shop with fresh bakery, and a bar and small restaurant for socialising.



The Rally programme will start Friday evening with a welcome drink and opportunity to meet your fellow 'campers', and continue with food and entertainment on the Saturday night. Activities will be organised on Sunday encouraging Clubs to mingle and socialise with each other.

Like last year we will endeavour to pitch attendees close to their friends so that you can organise your own get-togethers during the weekend. During the day on Saturday you may want to enjoy the local area including Woodstock, Blenheim Palace, Burford, the Cotswolds and of course the 'Dreaming Spires' of Oxford. There are also some excellent pubs in the area.

The cost of this 3-night stay, including pitch fees and hook-up, is £99.50 per pitch.

Completed Booking Forms and payment must be received by Richard Dyson by Friday 27 July 2018.

Be There or Be Square!!

For more details please contact Richard Dyson on richarddyson46@gmail.com

For a booking form **CLICK HERE**

Full details of Hardwick Parks can be found on their website: http://www.hardwickparks.co.uk/

CLUB NEWS

Congratulations to Redditch 41 Club

Redditch 41 Club was reaffiliated only two years ago and has grown from six to fifteen members and are hopeful to induct further new members this year.

The photo shows their new chairman Stewart Edmunds (Centre) with Region15 councillor Andy Ventress and the one and only Barry Durman.



Northwich Burns Night - Great News

National President Dave was invited to attend Northwich's annual Burns Night at the end of January. Attendance was very good that evening but it was boosted by groups of Tablers from both Northwich and Middlewich Tables. The Tablers really joined ib with the spirit of the evening and we were very impressed to hear that Middlewich Table have successfully increased their membership over the last two years and now have 21 members with other prospects in the pipeline.

Not to be outdone, Northwich Table then invited President Dave to induct their newest member, which he duly performed.

It was really great to see so many Tablers enjoying a 41 Club evening and even better to hear that they are both successfully increasing their numbers. Thanks guys for making this an evening to remember.



Scottish Regional Golf 2018

This year the Scottish Regional Golf event moves the Ferntower Course at Crief Golf Club on Thursday 18th August.

Ideally teams of four should enter, but two plus is acceptable. The three best scores counting on a Stableford basis.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

To enter contact Nick Lawton on 01682 832080 or email nick.lawton@cali.co.uk





A real piece of history up for grabs









Following on from last year's first ever "Birdie Ball" the organising team have joined forces with Troon 41 Club to organise the 2018 fund raising event - "The Birdie 4 Ball" and we are now looking for golfers to get involved.

This is an open golf competition for teams of four and will be played on Friday 18[™] May over the home of both the 2017 Scottish Open and Ladies Scottish Open at Dundonald Links.

The day will commence with a celebrity briefing in the clubhouse over breakfast and coffee before the teams head out to compete for the "Birdie Trophy" in a Stableford format and on a shotgun start, while various opportunities to compete will happen on the course such as Beat The Pro, Short Game Tuition and Buy A Mulligan!

The prize giving will follow in the clubhouse and the team have been given a donation of a framed picture of Royal Troon's signature 8TH hole (The Postage Stamp) to auction, which has been autographed by the last 4 Open Champions over Royal Troon – Mark Calcavecchia, Justin Leonard, Todd Hamilton and Henrik Stenson. This will be an opportunity to invest in what is a one of a kind piece of sporting memorabilia and own a unique piece of sporting history.

The money raised will be split equally between Cancer Research UK and Ayrshire Cancer Support and both charities are delighted to be associated with this fantastic event.

Should you wish to enter a team or get involved in the event through the various sponsorship options please contact Donald Paterson chairman on DONALD@MAPGPI.COM



Keep an eye open for the Titanic Quiz that will be featured in the Spring Magazine

Arriving through your letterbox in mid March

Step In To Christmas

To conclude our first full year as a new 41 Club, Dundee City Active 41 Club celebrated in style by having our Christmas Lunch at the Malmaison Hotel in Dundee. We were treated to a fabulous three course meal with the odd lemonade or two to wash it all down. After lunch, explanations to the uninitiated on how to play bingo resulted in prizes being presented for those who could keep up with the bingo caller. I think more practice will be required before the next game!

It has been a great year for Dundee City Active 41 Club with a varied programme and 2018 is set to be another cracker, what better way to start it than in the company of Dundee Round Table at their International Burns Supper in January. I wonder if Bingo would work there!

lan Waddell, Treasurer. Dundee City Active 41 Club.



Blairgowrie 41 Club Bonspiel

Hello 41ers from the frozen north!

Blairgowrie members opted for a winter games night in addition to their summer one, (not counting the national golf outing which we usually win at Rosemount) and enjoyed a wee bonspiel at Forfar indoor rink. Group photo shows from left to right lain Mitchell, Mike Stevenson, Donald Grant, John Stewart, Rob Ridsdale, Robbie Robertson and Larry Scrimgeour just about to enter the restaurant for a well earned supper and tipple after a good two hours roaring and sweeping...If any club would like to join us next season, please contact Larry (biolar@hotmail.co.uk) and we would be delighted to share a rink or two...followed by a drink or two...Age is no barrier as our photo shows, Donald Grant being a charter member and still curling at 83, and winning!

Larry Scrimgeour, Sec





20th Charter celebrations as Costa del Sol looks forward to hosting the 2018 Iberian Cluster meeting.



Costa del Sol 41 & Tangent Clubs celebrated their 20th Charters with fine wine, dining, and dancing, at El Olivo's, in La Cala de Mijas.

The Clubs' Chairmen, Enid and Hartley Southerby-Smith were joined by Founder Chairmen, Julie and Richard Wood and National Presidents Melodie Brookes and Dave Campbell.



The evening started with a welcome from Chairman Hartley and despite no sign of the starter arriving, Past Chairman, Past RTBI National President, past his sell by date Gareth George was asked to give Grace. He opted for Round Table Grace partly to prompt a trip down memory lane but mainly because he knows no other. He offered a bottle of fine Romanian wine as a prize to the first Past Tabler to "spot the deliberate mistake" in his delivery. Yes, of course, it is not "improve in thought and word and deed" but ... "in word". The prize was won by Mr. Brookes to the delight of the Tangent National President Melodie, in anticipation of sharing it with the prize winner.



Fine speeches were delivered by the Founder Chairmen and National Presidents who presented Julie and Richard with Founder Chairman Jewels. This seemed to prompt a tear or two with Julie admitting to an emotional moment but Richard insisted on blaming the spicy pil-pil.



Enid and Hartley also responded, presenting gifts to Melodie and Dave and in doing so insisted that they should renew friendships next year at the Iberian Cluster in Puerto Banús for a weekend of fine wine (not Romanian), dining and dancing.... a weekend of great fun and exceptional value hosted by Costa Del Sol 41 and Tangent at the excellent 5 Star Guadalpín Hotel, Puerto Banús.

Bookin Suites

ENID & HARTLEY SOUTHERBY-SMITH 41 & Tangent Chairmen

Check out the website www.41club-costadelsol.com and book now to "HANG LOOSE IN BANÚS"

Bookings are coming in nicely but with Junior Suites proving to be so popular, we will soon reach our allocation of these superior rooms.





National Club News

The National President of 41 Clubs invites you and your guests to join him at:

The Lakeside Country Club

for a Las Vegas style Dinner Dance with a Casino

featuring



The Rat Pack and The Supreme Showgirls Saturday, 24th March 2018



Welcome to our new National Councillor

At the Okehampton National Council meeting a new Councillor was appointed for Region 4 North East. Peter Milburn is a member of Guisborough 41 Club in

North Yorkshire. He is now the representative for all of the clubs from Wensleydale in the south to Coquetdale in the north. Please make him welcome and invite him to visit your club in the very near future.



RTBI & LC Conference 2018 Chester 4th-6th May



Deeside 41 Club presents:

Region 12

St David's Day Dinner

Saturday 3rd March 2018

7pm for 7:30pm

Hawarden Institute, CH5 3NS

3-Course menu devised & cooked by

Danny Burke, Captain, Welsh Culinary Team

Wine included with Dinner

After-Dinner Speaker

£35 per ticket

Please contact Robert on 07957 674450 or email rjd.dixon@btinternet.com





Conference News

All of the social events at the Belfast Conference are full and there is a waiting list.

The Thursday night welcome party is being held in the City Hall, and is an Irish Night. Dress is smart casual. As it is in walking distance of the Conference hotel there will be no ransport provided unless it is raining.

The Presidents' Ball on the Friday night will be at the magnificent Culloden Hotel. Standing high on the slopes of the Holywood Hills, overlooking Belfast Lough, this is Northern Ireland's most prestigious hotel. Transport will be provided and dress is black tie.

The AGMs will be held on Saturday. The 41 Club event is being held at the Presbyterian Assembly Building Conference Centre, whilst the ladies will be holding theirs in the Conference Hotel, the Europa.



The final night party is being held in the Titanic Belfast, the award winning exhibition to the story of the Titanic, and 'Titanic' is the theme for the fancy dress. There will be no formal fancy dress competition this year, instead competitors will be invited to join a parade and the National Presidents will select the winners. Transport will be provided to and from the venue.

City Hall



Culloden Hotel



Titanic Belfast

Nominations for National Office 2018

By the closing date the following nominations had been received:

Vice President (President Elect): Andrew Mackereth (Lancaster & Dragons 41 Clubs)

National Membership Officer: Nick Morcumb (Whitchurch 41 Club)

Steve Bolter (Wareham & Somerton 41 Clubs)

National Fellowship Officer: Steve James (Pontypridd 41 Club)
International VP candidate: Barry Durman (Shirley Late Knights)

Lawrence Bamber (Rhyll & Poynton 41 Clubs)

Marcus Jones (Beeston & District 41 Club)

Featured Member Benefit



For a full list of Member benefits CLICK HERE

41 Club Guide to Computer Terminology

Cursor: term applied to computer users who get abusive to their machines.

Booting the Computer: applying a size 10 Doc Martens to the system box after it keeps telling you that there is not enough memory to run the application.

Incompatibility: any situation involving humans and computers.

Bits: the things scattered on the floor after you drop your computer down the stairs.

Hidden Files: any files you need in a hurry.

Copy Protected: any disk you really need to copy from. **Start Up Disk:** the one disk you always manage to lose.

Hardware: the part of the computer that makes a noise when you throw it out of the

window.

Spreadsheet: telling lies in columns.

Obsolete: the computer you bought three months ago. **Inadequate:** the computer you bought three weeks ago.

Ideal: the computer coming on the market in three days time.