



**41 Club**  
CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP

**THE ASSOCIATION OF EX-ROUND TABLERS' CLUBS**



**MINUTES OF THE 72<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2017 @ 09.00**

**LANCASTRIAN ROOM  
THE IMPERIAL HOTEL  
NORTH PROMENADE  
BLACKPOOL  
FY1 2HB**

**MINUTES OF THE 72 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
HELD ON SATURDAY 22 APRIL 2017  
AT THE LANCASTRIAN ROOM, THE IMPERIAL HOTEL, BLACKPOOL.**

**1) Welcome**

National President Barry Durman opened the meeting and welcomed all present to the 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the National Association of Ex-Round Tablers' Clubs. The President declared the Annual General Meeting to be in session at 9am and called upon the National Secretary to deal with the approval of the notice to convene the meeting.

Formal Notice

National Secretary stated that the notice convening the 72<sup>nd</sup> AGM of the Association was on Page 3 of the Agenda paper. It had been communicated to all constituent clubs in accordance with the national rules.

Housekeeping notices were given.

**Notice of the meeting was approved.**

**2) Purposes and Objects**

Dave Curran from Lytham St Anne's 41 Club read Purposes and Objects.

President Barry requested the following stand to be recognised:

- All National Councillors
- Honorary Webmaster Ray Hill (Northwich and Dragons)
- Honorary Archivist Hugh Millward (Ashby de la Zouch)
- Honorary Solicitor Paul Cammiss (Haverhill & District)

President Barry welcomed Past Presidents and asked for them to be recognised

- 1987 – 88 Frank Bull
- 1996 – 97 Geoff King
- 2001 – 02 John Bellwood
- 2002 – 03 Paul Cammiss
- 2008 – 09 Drew Cochran
- 2012 – 13 David Smith
- 2013 – 14 Martin Green
- 2014 – 15 Jim Smith
- 2015 – 16 Terry Cooper

In Memorium

President Barry reported that a number of 41 Club members had died during the year and asked the meeting to stand and remember them.

## Secretary's Announcements

National Secretary announced the procedural matters in respect of H&S and actions in the event of a fire alarm.

Guidance for speaking at the meeting was given. All speakers should address the meeting from one of the lecterns and give name, club and region prior to speaking. Stewards would be controlling the lecterns. There is a traffic light system in place. GREEN light – start speaking; AMBER – one minute remaining; RED – speaker will be cut off. Speakers are allowed 3 minutes unless given leave by the meeting to extend this period.

National Secretary advised that the meeting was being recorded to enable accurate minutes to be taken.

National Secretary advised that there was a portable T block system in place for the hard of hearing.

Meeting advised no lunch break would be taken and an anticipated finish to the meeting of 3.30 – 4pm

### **3) Apologies for Absence**

Alan Reynolds – Past National President 1994 to 1995  
Gordon MacNab – Past National President 2000 to 2001  
Iain Kelso – Past National President 2003 to 2004  
Ian MacKenzie – Past National President 2006 to 2007  
Keith Howard – Past National President 2007 to 2008  
Richard Matthews – Past National President 2009 to 2010  
Malcolm Lockey – Past National President 2010 to 2011  
Nick Lawton – National Councillor Region 1  
Mick Lawrence – Chairman, Hamble Valley Stick Club  
Paul Ankcorn – Okehampton 41 Club  
Brad Parkes – OBE's 41 Club

### **4) Tellers and Scrutineers**

Tellers and Scrutineers appointed in accordance with Standing Orders and voted for by the meeting:-

Graham Sloan  
David Curran  
Glen Oldroyd  
Richard Wood  
Phil Kay  
David Carne  
Roger Spensley  
Terry Porter  
Andrew Goodacre

### **5) Minutes**

Minutes of the 71<sup>st</sup> AGM held in Birmingham had been circulated in accordance with Rules and Standing Orders and agreement was requested that they should be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. The President requested if any amendments had been received. The



National Secretary reported that the Winner of the Ladies Golf Trophy had been amended as the minutes had recorded the wrong winner.

**Meeting approved the Minutes and they were signed by the President.**

#### **6) Matters arising from those Minutes**

There were no matters arising.

#### **7) National Presidents of Tangent and Ladies' Circle**

The President welcomed National President of Tangent Clubs, Paula Farnfield, and President of the National Association of Ladies' Circle, Alexandra Bennett, who both brought greetings to the meeting.

#### **8) Ian Kelso Award**

President Barry announced that there would be a presentation under Any Other Business of the Ian Kelso Award to the most outstanding speaker on the day. Past President Terry Cooper would be the judge.

#### **9) Quorate**

National Secretary announced that there being already over 60 clubs present & the required minimum number required being 40, we were quorate.

#### **10) Adoption of the National Council's Report for 2016**

Annual Report of the National Council is printed in the Agenda Paper. President invited any Officers who wished to update their report to do so.

National Membership Officer, Duncan Kennedy reported an update on the progress of the Prospects Database that had been received from Round Table.

Past President Terry Cooper updated meeting on the Teenage Cancer Trust, Top to Toe Walk that had been advertised. Regretfully, although 41 Club were fully prepared to support, The Teenage Cancer Trust experienced difficulties and had to cancel the walk, although they will be undertaking a much smaller scale walk later in the year but won't need the support of 41Club.

President Barry Durman has a waistcoat from Blackpool Conference with 150 pins on it which he invited members to bid for to support his charity, SHELTER. £26,700 raised for SHELTER and Barry thanked everyone.

**Meeting asked to accept the Annual Report. Carried.**

Annual Report opened for discussion. There were no requests for clarification on any reports and the meeting voted on the adopting of the report. **Unanimously carried.**

#### **11) International Guests**

President asked all International Visitors to stand and be recognised by the meeting. President Barry welcomed the International President of Round Table, Tomas Elong and President of 41 Club International, Englebert Friedsand who brought greetings from 41 Club International.



President Barry encouraged members to become involved internationally and stated that it had been some time since GB&I hosted the Presidency of 41 Club International and following agreement by Council, Barry presented the document signifying GB&I's interest to host it in 2020- 21 to the President of 41 Club International.

## **12) National Vice President reported on the progress of the Four Year Strategy Plan presented in 2016**

- 4 Club Family meetings are well established. They provide a forum for ideas to be exchanged and areas for mutual working to be discussed.
- Community Service Project was set up with Teenage Cancer Trust but they withdrew so project was unable to proceed.
- Communication systems are improved. Database has been updated and monthly newsletters are sent out. 41 Club has a heightened presence on social media and is used extensively by all 4 Clubs.
- Plan is discussed at quarterly meetings and updated accordingly.
- Proposal to consider open Membership has been dropped.
- Complimentary 41 Club membership is offered to all Round Tablers between ages of 40 and 45 when they retire from RT.
- Non ex-Round Tablers who are honorary members of clubs will be charged the subscription, but will not have voting rights. They can take advantage of member benefits.
- Under the direction of the Membership officer, teams have called ex Round Tablers to encourage them to join 41 Club. It is too early to report on the success of the initiative. In 2016 14.6% of retiring Round Tablers joined 41 Club. This year there are only 75 Round Tablers reaching retirement age.
- Membership database is being updated
- The new website is live.
- Ray Hill has been appointed Webmaster
- National Sporting Weekend has been introduced in 2017 and will continue in 2018.
- Club Administration System requested members to indicate whether they wished to receive a hard copy of the magazine. Members of more than one club were advised to only indicate once, to avoid multiple copies being sent. Magazine is available as a download.
- 2 National Councillor Training Days held at Marchesi House.
- Regional Councillors continue to liaise with clubs and distribute news updates.
- Memorandum of Understanding was signed by all 4 Family Clubs signifying intention to work cooperatively. 41 Clubs and Round Tables are working together and Cluster meetings are

increasingly taking place. 4 Clubs have proposed a Family day event and further discussions will take place.

- National events now include; Golf competitions, National Caravan Rally, Photographic Competition, Classic Car Rally and the Fellowship Cruise due to take place in August 2017.
- International twinning continues to be promoted and GB&I will be represented at the 41 International AGM

There have been a number of positive developments and progress in some areas, but the plan is at an early stage and work remains to be completed.

President urged all members to ensure they receive a magazine and asked those not in receipt of one to follow up with a member of the Board or their Club Contact.

### **13) President reported on the progress of the Governance Plan.**

- The current Governance is to remain in place; Board of 10 members. A proposal has been received to amend the name of the Communications Officer and that is debated later. There are 24 National Councillors and vacancies in some regions. Members were urged to consider this role if they wanted to become more involved.
- Regions under review. Region 17 may be split due to its size. Regions in Scotland are also under review to help management of them.
- Induction programme in place for new Councillors.
- There are 3 Honorary Members and Ray Hill was appointed as Honorary Webmaster.
- Board and Councillor posts now run for 3 years. After 3 years' the sitting Councillor may only continue if no-one stands against him.
- Admin contract has been renewed with Marchesi House following a review and consideration of alternatives.
- Membership database is under review to modernise it and re-write. One consideration is to link with the new RT database, or to update current software which may be in danger of becoming unsupported.

### **14) Election of Officers (where more than one candidate is standing for a post, all other candidates leave the room and remain outside the meeting prior to each candidate addressing the meeting)**

Rule 6:4

National Vice President as President Elect shall be declared National President prior to election of other Officers. President Barry welcomed Dave Campbell of Westerham and Riff Ruffs 41 Club as the 72<sup>nd</sup> National President for 2017 – 18.

### **Election of National Officers 2017 – 18**



### National Vice President

2 Nominations received:

**Phillip Ellis** of Bangor 41 Club (Region 3)

**Manny Martins** of Hamble Valley Stick 41 Club (Region 23) and Kingston-upon-Thames Ex-Tablers Club (Region 24)

Notice given that candidates may speak for a maximum of 5 minutes. Immediate Past President Terry Cooper to preside as secretary during the election. Candidates addressed the meeting in the following order:

Phill Ellis

Manny Martins

Voting process explained. Successful candidate requires simple majority.

### Post of National Secretary

4 Nominations received:

**Steve Bolter** (Wareham 41 Club)

**Ray Hill** (Northwich & District and Dragons 41 Clubs)

**Sean McCormick** (Saffron Walden 41 Club)

**Andy Waite** (Wakefield and White Knights 41 Clubs)

Candidates addressed the meeting for up to 3 minutes and spoke in the in the following order:

Ray Hill

Sean McCormick

Steve Bolter

Andy Waite

President Barry announced that 133 registered voters were recorded as present. If any vote is required then it is necessary to achieve a two thirds majority of the votes present. This was confirmed by the Honorary Solicitor.

Prior to voting taking place, the National Secretary explained the single transferrable voting system which would be used if no candidate achieved 50% of the votes cast.

### Post of National Treasurer

2 Nominations received:

**David Leach** (Kingston-Upon-Thames Ex-Tablers 41 Club)

**Colin Steen** (Gosforth 41 Club and Party Tyne 41 Club)

Candidates addressed the meeting for up to 3 minutes and spoke in the in the following order:

Colin Steen

David Leach

There being two candidates a simple majority vote is required.

### Post of National Councillors Liaison Officer



2 Nominations received:

**Tom Atkins** (Nuneaton Past Tablers Club)  
**Des Fulcher** (South Norfolk 41 Club)

**A Point of Order** was raised by John Alford (Region 25 Councillor). John stated he was representing clubs from Region 25.

He informed the meeting that about a month previously, Councillors were informed by email that one of the candidates for the post of National Councillors Liaison Officer was unable to attend the AGM due to a prior engagement and would submit a video to the AGM. Councillors did not know who the candidate was at the time of the email. John emailed to National Council and every member of Region 25.

John Alford presented his views about no consultation having been held on the subject and the actions he had taken regarding the issue.

President agreed that no consultation had taken place but explained that when the Board was asked whether a candidate could present by a video recording, he had consulted the Honorary Solicitor. Current rules do not explicitly allow a video recording by a candidate, but there is no rule against it either. The Honorary Solicitor was invited to comment.

**Honorary Solicitor, Paul Cammiss** (Haverhill 41 Club) had looked at the rules and agreed that whilst there was nothing in the standing orders for General meetings that says a video recording can be allowed, equally, and more importantly, there is nothing that says it must be dis-allowed. In the circumstances, the Honorary Solicitor's view was that as a candidate had approached the President to present a video, it would be inappropriate to prevent him from doing so.

If delegates disagree with the use of video, then voting delegates should cast their vote in favour of the other candidate. He stated that this was not a point of order, but what is fair for the Association and what is fair for the candidates. Voting delegates will decide and he indicated that the point of order is inappropriate and should be voted against.

President asked the meeting if anyone wished to speak. One person spoke briefly.

President asked the meeting to vote on allowing the video. Green cards to allow it and Red to disallow it. A simple majority is required.

Meeting voted in favour of allowing the video presentation. **Point of Order was not carried.**

Tom Atkins presented by video.

President stated that Tom was asked to not take advantage of the medium he used by using distracting special effects, to ensure that his presentation was fair.

Des Fulcher presented to the meeting.

President invited delegates to vote. A simple majority is required.

Election speeches were now announced completed



## 15) Presidential Interlude

National Secretary reported that there was an unscheduled item from “Budget Broadcasting” A short video was then shown entitled ‘Who would live in a tip like this?’ This was a light hearted video following the series, shared on Facebook during President Barry Durman’s JOGLE. It recalled events from Barry’s year, the visits, charters and fundraising he had been involved in. Colin Bowater was applauded by the meeting.

## 16) Resolutions

There are 10 Resolutions for consideration. All the Resolutions are potential Changes of Rules under Standing Rule 10:1. No amendment can be received unless 7 days prior notice is given.

The National Secretary reported that no amendments had been received within the notice period and the President confirmed that no amendments can now be accepted.

At the National Council meeting the day before it was recognised that some rules, regulations and standing orders have become outdated, over time. It had been agreed that a new committee under the new National Secretary would review and update the rules and standing orders to bring them up to date.

Resolutions that affect rules require a two thirds majority to be carried.  
Resolutions that do not refer to rules require a simple majority vote to be carried.

### **Resolution No.1**

Resolution 1 is proposed by National Council and hence requires no seconder.

The National Council Propose:

To amend Rule 6.1 plus appendices:

To change the title of National Communications Officer to that of National Communications and IT Officer.

**National Communications Officer Godwin Stewart** (Leyland, Dragons and Woolton 41 Clubs) addressed the meeting to present a rationale for the resolution.

Debate from members followed.

This resolution is a Rule Change and requires a two thirds majority. A vote was taken. The President requested a count as it was not clear from a show of voting cards.

### **Resolution No. 2**

#### **National Event Attendance Costs**

Proposed by: Harleston & District 41 Club

Seconded by: North Walsham 41 Club

### **Resolution No. 2**

The maximum ticket price for any event organised or delegated by the National Council should be no more than £55 per person. Organisers of events organised or delegated by the National Council should, once a loss of £1,000 or more is identified in any event, start to reduce, or eliminate any individual elemental cost, or cancel the event. In exceptional circumstances the National Council can increase the maximum ticket price if deemed necessary.

### **National Council oppose this Resolution.**

**Kevin Reynolds** (Harleston & District 41 Club and South Norfolk 41 Club) presented the rationale for the resolution.

Debate from members followed.

A vote was taken and the President declared that **Resolution Number 2 was defeated.**

President announced that **Resolution No.1 was carried.** Vote: 39 against and 104 in favour.

### **Resolution No. 3**

#### **Advanced Notice of Voting Requirements for National Council**

Proposed by: Bangor Co Down 41 Club

Seconded by: Dublin 41 Club

### **National Council support this Resolution.**

#### **Resolution**

If the National Board wish to make a proposal requiring voting by the National Councillors meeting as the National Council, then that full proposal needs to be circulated to all National Councillors at least 7 days prior to that meeting, preferably 14 days, so that National Councillors are given sufficient time to consider and appraise the proposal.

**Phill Ellis** (Bangor Co Down 41 Club) read the proposal and gave a rationale for the resolution. Vote taken. **Resolution 3 was carried.**

### **Resolution No. 4**

#### **Club Delegate expenses at the Association's AGM**

Proposed by: Maidstone 41 Club

Seconded by: Medway 41 Club

#### **Resolution**

That voting delegates attending the National AGM receive a bursary of £40.00 towards their expenses (excluding members of the National Council).

This can be achieved by a 50p addition to the capitation fee. I understand that this will raise £8,000.00. This would finance 200 voting delegates. At present there are only just over 100 voting delegates which is only about 10% of the membership.

### **National Council oppose this Resolution.**

**John Alford** (Maidstone 41 Club) (Region 25 Councillor) explained the rationale for the proposal.

Discussion then took place.

President announced this was not a rule change but would require a change to the Budget and Expenses Policy.

Vote taken: **Resolution 4 was lost**

### **Resolution No. 5**

#### **National Magazine Survey**

Proposed by: Party Tyne 41 Club

Seconded by: North Berwick and District 41 Club

#### **Resolution**

The Association TO UNDERTAKE A SURVEY OF MEMBERS to ascertain whether they wish to continue receiving a Club Magazine. The platform for the survey should be by using a FULL page in the first magazine after this AGM. There should be only one question – ‘do you want to continue receiving a 41 Club Magazine?, with a yes or no box to indicate their choice together with their Name, Club, date of birth and e-mail address.

Responses may be made by post or online via email.

There will be a four-week cut-off date for replies from the date of postage of the magazine.

#### **National Council oppose this Resolution.**

**Eric Peacock** (Party Tyne 41 Club) presented a rationale for the resolution.

Discussion about the resolution followed, including contribution from the National Communications Officer, Godwin Stewart.

Vote taken: **Resolution 5 was defeated.**

((The National President left the room and handed the chair of the meeting to the National Vice-President)).

### **Resolution No. 6**

Proposed by: Party Tyne 41 Club

Seconded by: North Berwick and District 41 Club

All Resolutions carried at AGM's must be included in the Associations Constitution & Rules without exception within 30 days of the AGM. Each Resolution should be identified by reference to the AGM where it was passed just prior to insertion. Resolutions, and changes to standing orders, passed in the last five years have to be included and identified in this way.

#### **National Council support this Resolution.**

**Eric Peacock** (Party Tyne 41 Club) presented the rationale for the resolution.

Discussion took place including a contribution from the National Secretary, Manny Martins.

Vote taken: **Resolution 6 was carried.**

### **Resolution No. 7**

Proposed by: Party Tyne 41 Club

Seconded by: North Berwick and District 41 Club

#### **Resolution**

The Association's Reserve Policy should be included in the Association's Constitution and Rules so that every Member has access to those details via the Web-site.

Any alterations to the Reserve Policy has to be approved at either an AGM or a Special General Meeting of the Association.

**National Council oppose this Resolution.**

**Eric Peacock** (Party Tyne 41 Club) spoke on the rationale for the proposal.

Discussion followed including contributions by the National Secretary, Manny Martins and President Barry Durman. It was explained that should the Reserve Policy be placed into the Association's Constitution and Rules, it would ensure that it is available to view, but would also mean that any future amendments to the Reserve Policy must be brought to an AGM.

Vote taken: **Resolution 7 was defeated.**

**Resolution No. 8**

**Removing Corporate Responsibility from all Members of National Council**

Proposed by: Kelso & District 41 Club

Seconded by: Party Tyne 41 Club

**Resolution**

Change of wording to the existing footnote to the standing orders headed CONFIDENTIALITY – Collective Responsibility.

Remove the words 'Collective Responsibility' from the heading and remove the last paragraph of the note that seeks to impose this as a policy of this Association.

**National Council support this Resolution.**

**David Tait** (Kelso & District 41 Club) spoke to the resolution.

President clarified that this would allow Members of Council to speak out, even when they do not agree with the decisions taken at subsequent meetings.

Vote taken: **Resolution 8 was carried.**

**Resolution No. 9**

Proposed by: North Berwick & District 41 Club

Seconded by: Party Tyne 41 Club

**Resolution**

Members of the Association who have served as National President and IPP are not permitted to stand for any further National Executive post.

**National Council oppose this Resolution.**

**Drew Cochran** (Party Tyne 41 Club & North Berwick 41 Club) (Past National President) presented the rationale for the proposal.

Debate followed from members present.

Vote taken: **Resolution 9 was lost.**

## **Resolution No. 10**

### **Simple Majority Voting at National Council Meetings**

Proposed by: Royston 41 Club

Seconded by: Party Tyne 41 Club

#### **Resolution**

At National Council Meetings when a vote is required on proposals and matters concerning an action to be taken by the Association, then at least half of those present and eligible to vote must vote in favour of the matter to provide an overall majority to allow it to go forward.

Members present should be discouraged from abstaining from voting.

The results of any Voting should be disclosed as follows: - those in favour, those against, those abstaining. These results to be recorded in the minutes.

#### **National Council oppose this Resolution.**

**Tom Abbott** (Royston 41 Club) presented the rationale for the proposal.

Discussion followed from a number of members. The meeting was informed that at the commencement of National Council Meetings a 'Declaration of Interests' was held that may result in a Councillor declaring that he would be unavailable to vote and would need to abstain.

Vote taken: **Resolution 10 was lost.**

#### **17) Malcolm Lockey Community Service Award**

The President called upon Immediate Past President, Terry Cooper to announce the winner of the award.

The Malcolm Lockey Community Service Award is presented annually to an individual or club by the Immediate Past President. This year 3 Finalists had been chosen.

- **Baldock & District 41 Club**
- **Shaftesbury & Gillingham 41 Club**
- **Alan Griffiths supported by his club Nuneaton 41 Club.**

Terry presented the Malcolm Lockey Community Service Award for 2017 to **Alan Griffiths** from Nuneaton 41 Club. Due to family circumstances, Alan was unable to attend, but a member of Nuneaton 41 Club collected the Award and a Certificate on Alan Griffith's behalf.

**Alan Griffiths** spent 15 years converting an old Salvation Army Building into a modern Community facility. Alan firstly raised £10,000 to convert the building to a usable space for local clubs, churches and societies. Often, they paid no fee or a small contribution to the running costs. Alan dreamt of raising enough money to knock down the old hut and build a better community building in its place. Alan then raised £100,000 to put together a case for large funders like the National Lottery Fund to get a grant for the new building. He pushed and lobbied for funding and to date has raised £2,000,000 and work has started on the new unit. Alan realised while the work was taking place, the users of the old building would have nowhere to meet so he closed his own company by retiring and allowed the building to be used as a temporary home for hall users

#### **18) Election Results**



The President announced the election results as follows:

National Secretary: Sean McCormick  
National Treasurer: David Leach  
National Councillor Liaison Officer: Tom Atkins  
National Vice-President (President Elect): Phillip Ellis

The President thanked all the candidates who had stood and worked hard to prepare their presentations.

### **19) Vaughan Harris Award**

The award is sponsored by Jill Harris, Vaughan's widow. It is bestowed on a 41 Club member or a Club that has assisted its Round Table. The award is chosen by Round Table. **National President of Round Table, Mark House** announced that the award was to be presented to an individual who has helped the establishment of 3 Round Tables in his Region. Mark announced that **Nick Morcumb** is the winner of the Vaughan Harris Award 2017.

Nick Morcumb announced that he was supporting in the setting up of a fourth Round Table. He said that it was a team effort, led by Round Table with the support of 41Club.

**Round Table National President Mark House** (President of Round Table 2016-17) brought greetings to the meeting. He reported on the fellowship within Round Table and thanked 41 Club for their continuing support.

President Barry thanked Mark for his words and said that it had been a good year; pursuing the Round Table Agenda and meeting up at events throughout the country. Barry presented his gift to Mark. Mark was a member of Southend Round Table 106, but has agreed to join 41 Club and will be a member of Southend-on-Sea. Barry then inducted Mark into 41 Club. Mark was welcomed into 41 Club. Banners and gifts were exchanged.

### **20) Presentation of Accounts for the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016** (pages 43-44 of the Agenda Paper)

The National Treasurer, Mark Fairchild moved that the report be received.

The meeting received the accounts.

#### **Mark Fairchild** (National Treasurer) (Exeter 41 Club)

He stated that as these would be his last accounts he would go into greater depth. He reported that the accounts show a surplus of £3,000 and the reserves stand at well over £120,000. He then asked for questions.

The President asked if the Association had made some money and the Treasurer said 'Yes'. The President asked if the Club were meant to make any money and a surplus? The Treasurer said 'Yes'.

The Treasurer reported that they have been examined and this is stated in the report.

No further questions were asked.

**The Accounts were unanimously approved by the meeting.**

## **21) Presentation of Budget for 2018** (pages 45 – 46 on the Agenda Paper)

**National Treasurer, Mark Fairchild** was invited to speak about the Budget. Mark invited questions on the Budget as printed in the Agenda Paper.

The President asked if the Budget is scheduled to make a surplus or deficit. The National Treasurer reported that it was scheduled to make a surplus.

Capitation is to remain at £14.50. National Councillors expenses will rise from £160 to £180. The budget will take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018.

No amendments were received.

**Andrew Hornby** (Brackley & District 41 Club, ISIS 41 Club and OBE 41 Club)

Asked if the budget took into account that as a member of 3 Clubs, he paid 3 Capitations.

**The National Treasurer** responded to say the budget was based on membership numbers supplied by the Membership Officer that shows a slight decline. He acknowledged that membership of 3 clubs required 3 subscriptions and that members of more than one club, should register all their club memberships on CAS (Club Administration System).

The Budget was proposed and voted on.

**The Budget for 2018 was carried.**

## **22) Appointment of Independent Examiners**

The National Treasurer proposed that Duncan & Topils be re-appointed as Independent Examiners for the year 2017.

The vote for the Independent Examiners Duncan & Topils was **carried**.

## **23) Presentation of Trophies and Appreciations**

National Fellowship Officer, Andrew Mackereth presented the Golf Trophies as follows:-

The National Cochran Golf Trophy was won by **Newport 41 Club** in September 2016 and had been presented to them at the National Golf Competition. Newport have now won the trophy for three successive years.

The National Conference Individual Golf Trophy Competition had taken place the previous day and was won by **Geoff Morgan** of Brentwood 41 Club who received the Trophy.

Kiwi Klub Trophy awarded to the most attending from the greatest distance. The trophy was won by **Reading Valley Veterans**.

International Relations Officer, Peter Good presented two trophies. He reported that the National Conference was being attended by delegates from 13 different countries.

Jim Parkes Trophy presented to **Warrington 41 Club** for their support of International Events. Paul Swindell accepted the trophy on their behalf.

Tom Hodges & Victor Michitsch Trophy was presented to **Sjoerd van Esch** from Holland.

National Communications & IT Officer, Godwin Stewart presented the Press/Newsletter (David Smith) Trophy to **Gordano Valley**.

Godwin announced the winners of the Photographic Competition:-

3<sup>rd</sup>) **Graham Wood** from Harpenden 41 Club with a photo entitled "Walking to Market in Madagascar".

2<sup>nd</sup>) **Stephen Batt** from Rugby Webb Ellis 41 Club with "Anna's Hummingbird".

1<sup>st</sup> and winner) **Jim O'Farrell** from Aldershot 41 Club with "Victoria Falls, Bridge between Zimbabwe and Zambia".

Godwin announced the winner of the Website (David Hewitt) Award being **Costa Blanca 41 Club**.

#### Retiring Regional Councillors

The NCLC commented on the work of the retiring Regional Councillors and the President presented them with their jewels.

Region 1 – Scotland West - **Nick Lawton**

Region 12 – North Wales and the Wirral - **Lawrence Bamber**

Region 19 – London Chilterns - **Tom Abbot**

Region 15 – Heart of England - **Tom Atkins**

Region 18 – Essex and North East London - **Sean McCormick**

#### Terry Cooper Shield

Terry Cooper presented the Shield to winner, Steve James, National Councillor Region 13 South Wales. This was highlighted over his exceptional work in getting over 100 41'ers organised for our NSSW

President Barry presented jewels to retiring members of the National Board.

Manny Martins retiring National Secretary

Mark Fairchild retiring National Treasurer

Phill Ellis retiring National Councillors Liaison Officer

Terry Cooper retiring Past President

President Barry Durman gave his farewell speech.

#### **24) Installation of National President 2017-2018**

President Barry Durman then presented the new National President, Dave Campbell, who is the 72<sup>nd</sup> President of the Association with the President's jewel.

There followed an interruption by members of Dave Campbell's clubs; Westerham 41 Club and Riff Raff 41 Club

The new President, Dave Campbell then presented jewels to members of the new Board who were present.

National Secretary – **Sean McCormick**

National Treasurer – **David Leach**

National Membership & Round Table Liaison Officer – **Duncan Kennedy**

National Fellowship Officer – **Andrew Mackereth**





National Communications & IT Officer – **Godwin Stewart**  
Association International Relations Officer – **Peter Good**

## **25) Installation of National Vice President 2017-2018**

President Dave Campbell announced that **Phill Ellis** had been elected as the new National Vice-President and would automatically become the President Elect for 2018-19. Dave then presented Phill with his chain of office.

## **26) Installation of new Regional Councillors**

The President congratulated the new Regional Councillors and presented their jewels.

Region 8 – Lancs & Manx – **Paul Swindell**

Region 12 – North Wales – **Ralph Small**

Region 15 – **Andy Ventress**

Region 21 – Mid West – **Glen Lyon**

Vacancies for Regional Councillors remain in

Region 1 – Scotland West

Region 2 – Scotland East

Region 18 – Essex and North East London

### President's Charity

President Dave announced his chosen Charity for the year as **The Prince's Trust** and Annette Cameron from the Charity addressed the meeting.

### National Vice-President of Round Table Steve Grew

Steve Grew brought greetings and addressed the meeting.

## **27) Iain Kelso Award**

The President invited Terry Cooper to present the Iain Kelso Award for the best contribution to the AGM. The award was presented to Gerard O'Herlihy

## **28) Destruction of Ballot Slips**

The President formally moved that all Ballot Papers be destroyed and this was carried.

## **29) Any Other Business**

President Dave asked if there was Any Other Relevant Business. No further business was raised.

**30) Time, Date and Place of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting**

President Dave then announced that the next AGM would be held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2018 in Belfast.

He then declared the 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting closed at 15:27.

Approval

Signed as a True and Accurate record:

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Dave Campbell  
National President  
2017 - 2018

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Date