

# 41 Club

THE NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the 100th edition of your monthly 41 Club Newsletter.

In the early days we had to restrict the size of the newsletter to less than one megabyte, otherwise it took some members a long time to download but with the major advances in communications we can now include far more, especially photographs. So if you have interesting photos of your club's activities then why not send them for publication.

## The Great 41 Club Scam!

Have you heard about the great 41 Club scam? Believe it or not the national organisation has requested that every member supply their current name, address, telephone number and e-mail address and, quite naturally, thousands of members have failed to supply this!

Why could they possibly want to know these intimate details? After all we are we not a fellowship organisation! Well for two reasons:

- 1) In May 2018 the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) came into force and the club began to implement the legal requirement in March with statements in the Newsletter, Magazine and Website. Subsequently every club has been requested to supply consent forms from each member to receive marketing in club publications and GDPR insists that the data is **correct**.
- 2) Many clubs have not updated their entries on the Club Administration System (CAS) for months or even years and it is full of incorrect addresses, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses. Also members that have left or died, but often omitting new members.

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The newsletter depends upon you, the members, for its content, so please forward your items to share with the other members to [comms@41club.org](mailto:comms@41club.org)

The copy date for the October newsletter is the 23rd September.

Items for the website should be sent to [webmaster@41club.org](mailto:webmaster@41club.org)

**Muscular  
Dystrophy UK**  
Fighting muscle-wasting conditions



### *The Great 41Club Scam continued.*

Consequently many members do not receive the benefits and communications they are entitled to. In addition the club wastes money sending magazines to incorrect addresses, nonsense addresses such as 'TBC' and deceased members (which can be upsetting). Marchesi House then spend time trying to track down correct addresses at the memberships' expense.

There is no evil intent in this request and members of the National Council have given up a great deal of their own time and energy in an attempt to obey the law and to collect up-to-date information on our membership. We can assure you that the details will not be passed on to others.

Above all there has been no need for the abuse that officers have received from some members.

Please help us to help you!

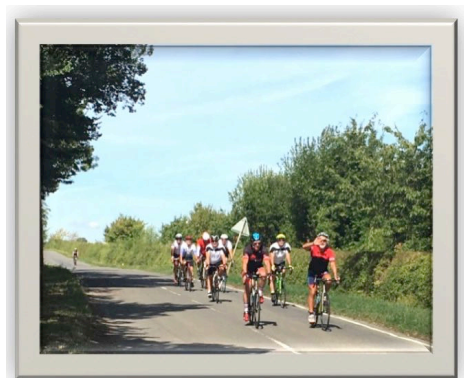
## **Farnham 41 Club Celebrates 70 Years**

To mark the momentous occasion of Farnham 41 Club's 70th birthday, the club has planned a black-tie dinner in the Garden Dining Room at the Bush Hotel, central Farnham, on Thursday 8th November, 7.30pm for 8pm start. The cost will be £35/head with a 3-course meal( menu choices available), coffee/tea. We would like to encourage/invite ex-Farnham 41 Club and Farnham Round Table 90 members who have moved away/lost touch with old friends to come to this event.

We would be most grateful if you could reply by Sunday 16th September if you want to attend as we do have a limit on numbers; please send an email to either [keith\\_harrison650@yahoo.com](mailto:keith_harrison650@yahoo.com) or [graham@noakes.plus.com](mailto:graham@noakes.plus.com)

## **Inaugural 41 Club Cycling Weekend**

Over the weekend of 10-12 August, Northampton 41 Club hosted 41ers and their bikes from across the land. These were men that enjoyed the feel of a finely-honed saddle between their legs and skimpy lycra on their backs They had calf muscles like steel and enjoyed sitting astride carbon fibre that in some cases cost a fortune. We never found out why.



Full report will appear in the Autumn Magazine

# 2018 41 Club and Tangent Cruise

## Fjords, Mountains & Glaciers

### 8th - 17th August 2018

Twelve couples boarded MS Black Watch for the second 41 Club and Tangent Cruise. For a change the sailing was from Liverpool and the destinations were in Norway and the Shetland Islands. Whilst many had cruised to Norway before but most of the destinations were new to us.

The first port of call was Hellesylt where a spectacular waterfall crashes into the fjord right in the centre of the town. In the evening we cruised Geirangerfjord, past the Seven Sisters Waterfall (although only four of them were at home due to the exceptionally dry summer) and were entertained by a microlight aircraft flying in formation with a gaggle of geese.

Sunday was spent at Olden with its nearby glaciers and Monday was a trip on the world famous Flam Railway. The final day in Norway was spent in Bergen where there were three other cruise ships in that day including the Queen Elizabeth. Unusually for Bergen it was a very hot day with no sign of the usual rain.

The final call was in the Shetlands, again a first time for many of us. The oil industry is not as obvious as I expected and Lerwick is an amazing town.

A full report on the cruise will be appearing in the Autumn Magazine, but in the meantime here are a few photographs taken on the cruise.



Departing Liverpool with the Three Graces on the waterfront



Black Watch moored at her berth in Hellesylt



Formation Fly-past!



Enjoying a chat and a drink at the Club's cocktail party

Now for the goog news ..... whilst on the cruise we selected our cruise for 2019 and this is going to be something completely different ..... see the next page for details.



# Announcing the 41 Club & Tangent Cruise for 2019

## 7 Days Cruising the Danube from Nuremberg to Budapest

### 22nd to 29th August 2019 onboard the Brabant

Port: Nuremberg, Germany      Departs: 22nd Aug 2019      Duration: 7 nights  
 Ship: Brabant      Returns 29th Aug 2019      Cruise Code: R1921



Day	Destination
Day 1	Nuremberg, Germany
Day 2	Regensburg, Germany
Day 3	Passau, Germany Cruising Schlägener Schlinge, Germany Linz, Austria
Day 4	Emmersdorf & Melk, Austria Cruising the Wachau Valley, Austria Dürnstein, Austria
Day 5	Nussdorf (Vienna), Austria
Day 6	Nussdorf (Vienna), Austria Bratislava, Slovakia
Day 7	Cruising into Budapest, Hungary Budapest, Hungary
Day 8	Budapest, Hungary

For 2019 we have selected a gentle cruise along the Danube on the Fred. Olsen ship Brabant. It is a fly-cruise and will be visiting four countries, Germany, Austria, Slovakia and Hungary.

You may opt to arrange your own flights if you wish to extend the holiday at either end.

By quoting the code GRP0210 you will receive:

- A 10% discount on the cruise
- Free gratuities
- A free club cocktail reception

There are only 79 cabins on the Brabant and they are filling up quickly (we already have 10 couples booked in on the cruise), so you are advised to book ASAP to avoid disappointment.

The cruise number is R1921 and it departs from Nuremberg on the 22nd August ending on the 29th in Budapest.

**Remember to quote the special booking code GRP0210.**

**41 Club Sales**  
 CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP

**WWW.41CLUBSALES.CO.UK**

Tel: 0121 766 8830 or 8831      Email: paul@41clubsales.co.uk

41 CLUB SALES OFFICIAL MERCHANDISE, PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTS AND CLOTHING

## Muscular Dystrophy UK – get involved or spread the word!

Could you take on our [Bake a Difference](#) challenge, or do you know someone who just loves baking and could help raise some dough? Or sign up for our new Virtual Active Event, [Move a Million Miles for Muscles](#) and [#MoveYourWay](#) to make a real difference to those living with muscle-wasting conditions.

### Ready, set, bake!



Everyone loves tea, cake and a good natter, right? Well, did you know you can do this and [‘Bake a Difference’](#) to the lives of more than 70,000 people at the same time? We’re calling on all wannabe Mary Berrys to get their bake on this October, showing off your best recipes, holding bake sales and quite literally ‘raising’ awareness and funds and help transform the lives of those living with muscle-wasting conditions.

[Bake a Difference](#) started over four years ago when Oliver and Tricia De Laszlo decided to raise money in a fun and inclusive way. Their son Sammy, who has Duchenne muscular dystrophy, loves to bake. Children like Sammy face an uncertain future as their muscles slowly stop working properly. Every cake you bake and every pound you raise will help us bring forward the day when we beat muscular dystrophy.

To help with your baking ‘kneads’, we’ll send you your very own new and exciting fundraising pack, with everything you need to kick-start your bake sale and make your baking experience a piece of cake. It’s **FREE** to register, so get your aprons ready and be prepared to bake up a storm! [Sign up to Bake a Difference today](#) to join Sammy and hundreds of others UK-wide between 8 and 14 October 2018.



### Fancy taking on a new and unique challenge?

Join people across the UK to [#MoveYourWay](#) and help us [Move a Million Miles for Muscles](#). You’ll make a real difference to the lives of those living with muscle-wasting conditions.

You set your own challenge – choose how many miles you want to move and get moving in your own time, in your own way and at your own pace! Every adventure and every challenge, no matter how big or small, will count. You can even get your friends, family and local community involved and do it as a team.

When you’ve signed up, you’ll have your own fundraising page created for you. There’s no minimum fundraising amount, but every mile you move, and every pound you raise, will help us bring forward the day when we beat muscular dystrophy. So please raise as much as you possibly can! [Sign up and Move a Million Miles for Muscles](#) – it’s fully accessible and open to everyone across the UK.

**When you register for either event, please tell us that you’re part of the 41 Club!**

# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of 41 CLUBS

## - Involvement with Blyth Tall Ship voyage around GB

Last month we introduced you to the project and here are the details on how you or somebody you know can apply to be part of the adventure!

Details for Applicants to apply:-

### *Is this your time to test yourself?*

**Williams Expedition Crew Selection Process, Requirements and Sailing Programme. Two exciting voyages the First is a Round Great Britain and the Second a Voyage of Exploration to Antarctica.**

Crew applications are now open for the Williams Expedition on our 100-year-old Tall Ship.

You must be over 18 by the time you would come on board for one of the ten 6-day selection voyages around Great Britain in early 2019 and the Antarctic voyage later in the year.

You must be prepared to be filmed as part of a documentary on both voyages.

The Williams Expedition, run by the charity Blyth Tall Ship to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the discovery of Antarctica, aims to recreate the experience of the original voyage, by Captain Williams Smith on the Brig Williams (both from Blyth) during which he discovered Antarctica in 1819.

A similar voyage was undertaken by a Russian vessel in 1820 and they intend celebrating their voyage in 2020. *Let's beat them to it.*

If you want to test yourself, why not join the selection process. (See bottom of page)

You will then be invited to an active selection day in Blyth (you will get to see the ship and try out team and sailing tasks) and from there, if you make the grade, you will be asked to make a pledge of £750 towards the work of our charity Blyth Tall Ship. If you need advice and support in raising the necessary sponsorship funds, our team of supporters can advise you on how to write to your local councillor or organise fund-raising events for this inspiring voyage.

You will then be given a place on the Round Great Britain selection and training voyage in early 2019 after which you will find out if you have a place on the final Expedition which will involve your commitment to participating in legs of up to 10 weeks.

If you are successful in being selected for the Antarctic voyage we will ask you to help us raise a further £2,750 each for Blyth Tall Ship.

This voyage will test our crew to the limit and prove that the heart, courage and enterprise that made the original discovery is alive and well in the UK.

As a trainee crew member, you need have no experience of sailing. There will be experienced leaders to show you the ropes in the Round Great Britain voyage. It will be a challenging selection and training process that will help you identify if you have the strength of character and determination to do what few can.

*Imagine it's 2am, you have fallen into your bunk dog-tired after seeing through 3 hours on a heaving deck, constantly moving in the pouring rain, 1000 miles from the nearest land.*

*Then the shout comes down for all hands-on deck to lower the main sail. You drag yourself in to your waterproofs and boots to stagger on to the deck, clip on to the safety line as a huge wave tries to wash you off your feet and join your crew-mates to lower the sail. Your reward? Knowing you can do it. Having a hot drink below*

*decks afterwards with others who can. Having the confidence to take on anything life has to throw*





*at you afterwards. Changing your life forever.*

**What we will be looking for:**

- The spark of enthusiasm and excitement to test yourself.
- An interest in going to sea.
- A happy team player, always willing to help out when the going gets tough.
- Able and determined to keep going if you get seasick.
- The potential to be self-disciplined, looking after your kit and getting out of bed for your watch whatever the hour or weather.
- Be ready to eat what is available as conditions can dictate the menu onboard.
- Be prepared to be separated from friends and family (with no internet for days and weeks at a time), and experience the wildest places on the planet.



We are an equal opportunities charity and thus race, religion, sex or disability will not be a factor in the selection process. We regret, however, that the safety and physical limitations of an international expedition on a 100-year-old ship create some unavoidable practical restrictions. Thus, we are unable to take those who have the need for immediate access to emergency medical facilities for an illness or condition or accommodate wheel chairs onboard our historic vessel.

There are opportunities to sail Tall Ships for wheel chair users via the Jubilee Sailing Trust <http://jst.org.uk> .

The limitations of storage and resupply in international ports will further restrict expedition food provision which will make it difficult to support some allergies or food requirements.

We will be trying and testing out the food on the Round Great Britain venture that we intend using on the Antarctica venture to see if it suitable.

**If this sounds like your future, please send to us at :-**

[recruitment.blyhtallship@gmail.com](mailto:recruitment.blyhtallship@gmail.com)

Name, Date of Birth, Phone/Contact Number, e-mail Address

PLUS - in no more than 500 words explaining why you want to apply.

**If you have any further questions that can't wait until the recruitment day please email our recruitment team on :-**

[recruitment.blyhtallship@gmail.com](mailto:recruitment.blyhtallship@gmail.com)

Blyth Tall Ship is a charity (Charity Number: 1138239)



## As I get older I realise:

1. I talk to myself, because sometimes I need expert advice.
2. Sometimes I roll my eyes out-loud.
3. I don't need anger management, I need people to stop pissing me off.
4. My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance of idiots that needs work.
5. The biggest lie I tell myself is, "I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."
6. When I was a child I thought nap time was punishment. Now it's like a mini-holiday.
7. The day the world runs out of wine is just too terrible to think about.
8. Even duct tape can't fix stupid, but it can muffle the sound.
9. Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for 10 minutes, come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller.
10. "Getting Lucky" means walking into a room and remembering why I'm there.



Ever wondered what past National Presidents do?

Dave & Pauline Campbell treated Barry & Rachel Durman to a few days on their narrowboat. I think they all enjoyed it!

## Same Venue, New Name

For those already booked into the Red Rose Dinner and for anybody contemplating attending please note that the name of the venue has changed from the Hilton Hotel to the Grand Hotel, Blackpool. This is the same venue but the ownership of the hotel has changed hands.

The guest speaker is Past RTBI National President Gerard O'Herlihy, whose Irish humour is legendary.

For details [CLICK HERE](#)







Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines



# Bringing the world closer

The 41 Club have teamed up with award-winning Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines to give you a very tempting 10% membership discount\* on your first sailing with them – and that's on top of any current offers. Existing Fred. Olsen customers can save 5%, in addition to their 5% Loyalty Club discount.



To book using your discount code **41club10** call the 41 Club booking Hotline on **0800 0355 108** or visit [www.fredolsencruises.com/41club](http://www.fredolsencruises.com/41club)

\*All bookings are subject to Fred. Olsen's (FOCL) standard terms & conditions, available on our website & on request. All prices quoted under the 41 Club members discount offer are exclusive to qualifying members & their travelling companions only, members must quote their discount code at time of booking. Membership discounts cannot be applied retrospectively. Bookings must be made via the booking hotline number 0800 0355 108. Proof of membership will be required at the time of booking. Offers cannot be extended to any unrelated third party, are subject to availability & may be withdrawn or amended at any time without prior notice. From time to time FOCL may run special offers which cannot be combined with this discount, including selected group travel deals. All guests booked under this scheme are requested to refrain from disclosing the fare paid whilst on board. Offer is for first-time cruisers with Fred. Olsen only. Fred. Olsen Oceans members are entitled to a 5% 41 Club discount subject to the same terms & conditions, to be applied after the standard Oceans discount, where applicable. In this instance, Oceans Terms & Conditions apply. This offer expires on the 31st December 2018. E&OE.



## Dates For Your Diary

7th-10th September	National Caravan & Camping Rally, Hardwick Parks, Standlake
7th-10th September	Walking Festival, The Millennium Way
20th September	National Golf Competition, Rodway Hills Golf Club, Highnam
3rd October	The BIG Table & Circle Night, Ellesmere Port
12th-14th October	International Half Year Meeting, Marrakech
19th October	White Rose Dinner & Halifax 41 Club 70th Charter Night
20th October	Beaconsfield 41 Club 50th Charter, Beaconsfield Golf Club
26th-28th October	Half Yearly National Council Meeting, Hull
1st-4th November	26th Iberian Cluster Meeting, Puerto Banus
8th November	Farnham 41 Club Celebrates 70 years
9th November	Beeston Charter
11th November	Remembrance Sunday, The National Arboretum
13th November	LOTS 800th Meeting
16th November	Linlithgow 41 Club 50th Charter
20th November	Isle of Man 40th Charter
23rd November	Red Rose Dinner, Grand Hotel, Blackpool

## Featured Member Benefit



A range of cycles and equipment for the cyclists amongst us.

This member's benefit from Cycle Surgery is simple to get.

**It will give you a 15% discount.**

Get a voucher by emailing [region15@41club.org](mailto:region15@41club.org). In the email please state your name and 41 Club name. This will be checked on the members' database, you will then be sent the voucher. You will also need to mention the company you plan to use the voucher with so you receive the correct voucher.

The voucher can then be used at any of the group's stores or the discount code on the voucher can be used if you are shopping online

This voucher/code is for personal use only.

To view the Cycle Surgery website [click here](#)

For a full list of Member Benefits click here <http://41club.org/pages/platinum-privileges>

