

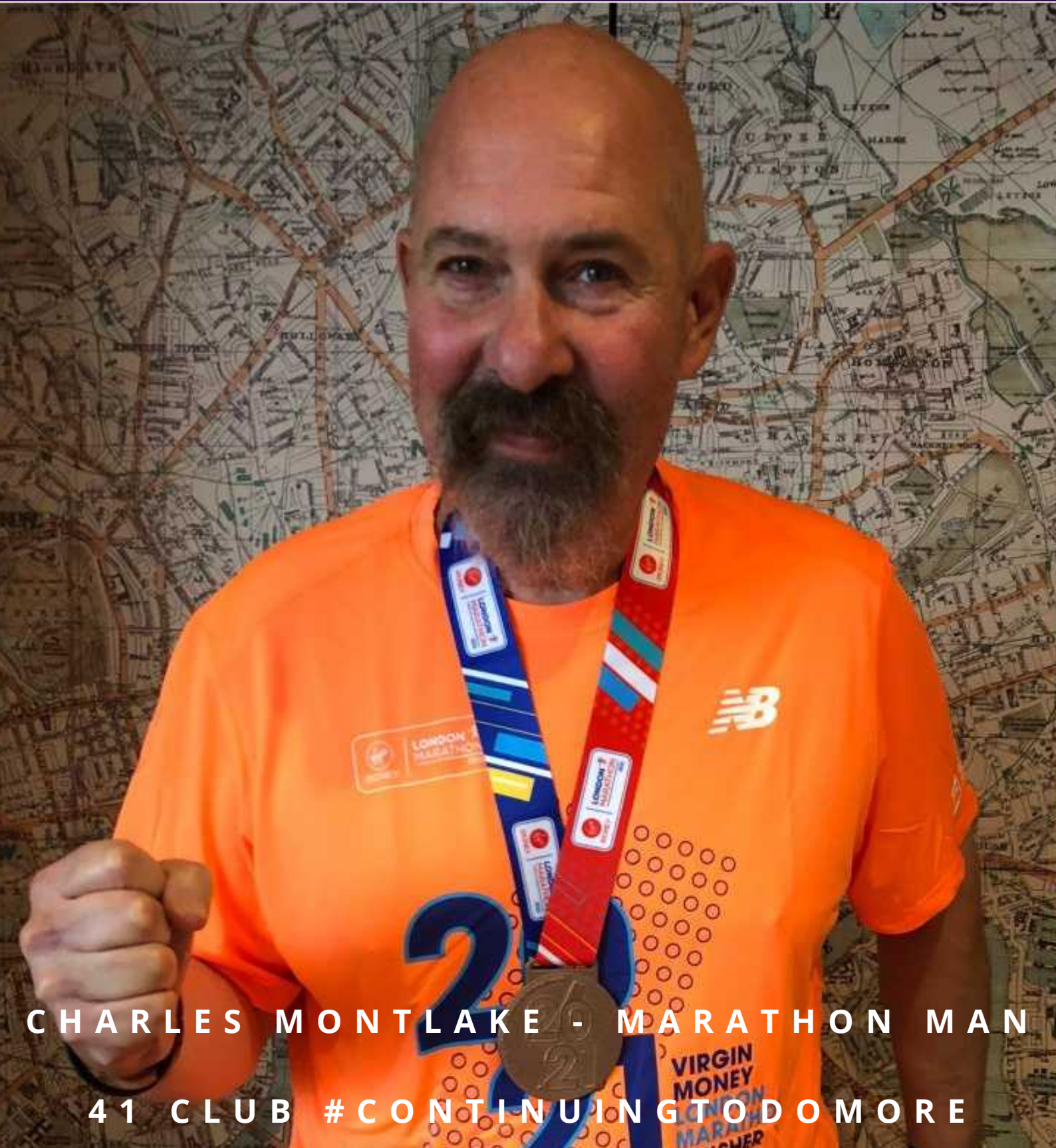
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## IN THIS NEWSLETTER

### Welcome to the October Newsletter.

A lot has happened already in October - there was The 41 Club Big Weekend, 1-3 October, in Nottingham, which you'll read reports on in this issue on the International Night, the SGM, the 75th Gala Dinner, the National Golf Finals - and the London Marathon. I'm going to highlight that last one first and on the cover because 41 Club member Charles Montlake completed the London Marathon despite having irrecoverable cancer, to raise money for Myeloma UK - and National vice-president Jim Conway and I were there to support him (with many others) on the final stage.

Congratulations to Marcus Jones and the other members of National President Peter Good's PLC who were responsible for organising The 41 Club Big Weekend - they promised a lot and delivered! There's a full report inside.

Plus reviews of the Walking Weekend; news of the 41 Club Garden in the National Memorial Arboretum; a member's review on Fred Olsen; details of the 2022 National Car Rally, and much more.....

Keep safe.

*Yours in Continued Friendship*

*Don*

Don Mullane  
Communications and IT Officer

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# THE PRESIDENTS REPORT

PRESIDENT

FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT PETER GOOD

Things have really got going at some pace now. Lesley and I attended the Camping and Caravan weekend in Oxfordshire. This was a lovely weekend meeting old friends and making new ones, and the weather was kind to us. The weekend was very well organised by Past President Martin Green and his helpers.

I attended Moseley 41 club lunchtime Charter which made a change as I am usually at work so it was different to have a proper lunch. There was good fellowship and an excellent meal.

I attended Tangent Clubs 50th Luncheon, another lunchtime event, which was very well attended.

Lesley and I went to the Ladies Circle Ball held in Lincoln. I looked in on their meeting in the afternoon and it was good to see that they have managed to increase their membership over the last year.

The Ball was held in the Assembly Rooms near the cathedral which is a lovely building at the top of a very steep hill. The theme was Harry Potter and a lot of work had been put into it. Taxis were essential to and from the venue for the Ladies in their long gowns and high heel shoes especially since they had not had the opportunity to wear them for such a long time!!

The next event was the 41 club Big Weekend to celebrate our 75th a year late, but it was definitely worth the wait. Everyone was ready to party and we had arranged one hell of a party. My thanks go out to my plc Chairman who worked very hard for the three weeks leading up to the event. We were in touch many times a day, and at the weekend it was like old Table days drinking till 3 30am, and up at 7am for breakfast meetings with Marcus. Also my thanks go



out to Lesley, Jane, Lynn , Hugh and Shan, who worked all day Friday and Saturday preparing the rooms etc. and Bosco for running the shop, and Bruce checking his tubes are clear by eating all the cream cakes , so glad that he could make it after being so ill. I think all who attended will agree it was a fabulous weekend and thanks to all of you who attended making it a special and exciting event. Hopefully we will have more chances to meet up and party soon.

The bands were brilliant and it was great to see so many Tablers there to show their support, and see for themselves that 41ers still know how to put on an event and have fun.

Last weekend I went to Hartlepool to attend their Round Table Beer Festival, which was very well organised, the lads worked really hard including National President Paul Thompson and his wife Nicola .

I had a great weekend with Paul, as we both were invited to attend and speak at the Tangent Northern Lunch in Durham. This was another well attended event and well organised, but we had to rush back to the beer festival to greet Tablers from Holland and around the UK, many of which I knew, so it was a fabulous night catching up.

I am going to Baildon on Friday night to re-affiliate 41 club there and induct 8 new members. On the Saturday night we are attending the Round Table Big Weekend Ball so we are looking forward to that.

41 Club has really got a great buzz at the moment and I am pleased to say so has Round Table. We are both growing again so the future is looking good.

Take care guys, stay safe.  
YICF,

*Peter*





# Walking The London Marathon

By Charles Montlake, PERT 41 Club, Region 18

I am immensely proud of this medal - first real medal I have ever deserved. Huge thank you to all my supporters and donators, without you I would never have got here - still time to give if you have not yet at <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/CharlesMontlake> My disease was first suspected by a nephrologist who had been on an Myeloma UK info day, it has literally made years of difference to me so please help me help them continue their good work

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/CharlesMontlake>

**“Please give generously and regularly and please share so that others can too.”**

*Charles*





# 1st - 3rd October - Nottingham

Having cleared up and completed what was an epic three days' worth of events. The PLC TEAM have been genuinely overwhelmed by your kind words, excitement, and support. It has been a truly difficult eighteen months for everyone, and the PLC team were determined to deliver something extraordinary for the members of 41 Club and The Round Table Family. In this article I wanted to personally thank all those that attended the event and supported our endeavours which include our sponsors.

Friday whilst the board and council had their meetings, the PLC team were busy setting up the amazing decorations for the International Themed Night. Colourful and warm would be the words shared by so many who attended the night. Pure Steel, kicked off our amazing weekend, what an awesome steel band, that gave you all such a warm welcome with an uplifting performance, for more information please go to [www.puresteelband.co.uk](http://www.puresteelband.co.uk) or contact Nicola via 07834 277334.

As attendees walked in, the music was vibrant and definitely had a beach party vibe, including the Bob Marley and Bond Music Mix which was superb! As part of the warm welcome Michael Dalton from Great Dunmow 41 Club poured some of his own Brewery welcome ale. Next "Guardino Electric" they truly entertained the crowd on the Friday night and joined in the Nations Night, they were truly electrifying! From pop to classical, every genre you can think of. Even Vivaldi!!!!

### DAY TWO

Saturday AM was the business side of things with 41Club SGM. Following that the plc has organised a special 41Club Gin Tasting session and a display of Jaguar Land Rover





Classic Cars. Saturday's spectacular was THE X FACTOR with the amazing "TOO DAMN HOT – JAM HOT" However, before they entered the arena, I wanted to share with the hard work of the PLC Team and how magnificent the room looked! We wanted to create a world class feel, setting a room decoration standard to another level. Something the represented 75 years of 41Club. The room was rocking, and you all danced! I have never seen a band get so involved with the audience and they are truly world class. Find more information on the band via Entertainment Nation or <https://www.facebook.com/jamhotbandworldwide/videos/4075880775866514> Finally, we had representation from The Round Table Family who warmly gave greetings and encouragement to each other. We also had a few special videos from our 41 Club Connects programme such as Commentator John Inverdale, former England Cricketer Geoff Miller, and The Amazing Paralympian George Peasegood. Also as part of the evening Kevin Chad and Annabel Williams gave an update on the Base Camp Everest Challenge for Dementia UK and a legacy project that supports ALL4NEPAL schools with the support of the YAP – Young Ambassador Programme, this was delivered by the amazing young lady and she definitely stole the show!

Thank you for the amazing support in the raffle and auction, Peter Good will announce his final total in Cardiff's AGM, all I can say is that you were all magnificent. All auction winners will have a separate communication for their prizes and payments.

There was also a special unique joint recognition for Past presidents of Round Table and 41 Club, along with this President Peter made a special presentation to Peter McBride, Aiden Coyne and Mark House for their special contributions during the last eighteen months, including the work of Buddies Line, 41 Club in Ireland and 41 Club Connects.

Finally, from me, I have always said our organisations are represented by Ordinary People Doing Extraordinary Things, and as I mentioned that Saturday night, I truly believe and have always said in any address to the members The Round Table Family: "The Round Table Family means different things to different people, for some it's community, for others it's charity, but for most and for the very reason we are members, it is the fun, fellowship and friendships for life!

I am committed to ensure that our association goes from strength to strength with the members in mind in everything we do, and I will stand for those values in everything I do on your behalf.

Finally, a sincere thanks goes to THE DREAM TEAM Bruce and Lynn Bennett, Hugh & Shan Millward, Bosco Townsend, Oliver Smith, Mark Oakland, Lesley Good, Mark House and of course Jane Smith (My Good Lady). This is the amazing team who supported the vision we set out to achieve eighteen months ago. I must also mention Andy & Gail Ventress who looked after all the international elements of the weekend. I know President Peter Good and Lesley have been overwhelmed by your support. So that is it, and now I bow out!

Thank you all for your continued friendship and fellowship.

*Marcus Jones*  
**PLC CHAIRMAN  
NATIONAL PAST PRESIDENT ROUND TABLE GB&I**



A hand in a dark suit jacket is pointing towards a glowing orange point on a white line graph. The graph consists of several white and blue dots connected by thin white lines, set against a dark blue background.

## The National Secretary's Report on the SGM by Bernard Elwen

As part of The Big Weekend in Nottingham, 41 Club National Council decided to hold a Special General Meeting on the morning of Saturday 2nd October. There had been no AGM in Cardiff 2020, with the Zoom AGM in April 2021 deciding the resolutions that had been held over from 2020. To avoid a big backlog at the Cardiff AGM in 2022, we decided that we would hold a Special General Meeting at the Big Weekend to get through some of the business.

After welcoming all to the meeting, President Peter Good asked the National Secretary Bernard Elwen to deal with the formalities of the meeting. Purposes and Objects were read by Bosco Townsend of Beeston 41 Club. He then welcomed the Past Presidents and asked the President of 41 Club International, Luca Colombo, to say a few words.

Three Association Awards were presented to those who had given exceptional service to our Association, these being:

Sean McCormick – citation read by Jim Conway

Tom Atkins – citation read by Wynn Parry

Nick Morcumb – citation read by Glen Lyon

Several past members of National Council were presented with their jewels, as follows:

Sean McCormick – National Secretary; Tom Atkins – National Councillors' Liaison Officer; Kevin Stewart – Region 2; Kevin Lovett – Region 7; Ralph Small – Region 12; Andy Ventress – Region 15; Kelly Clarke – Region 17; Mark House – Region 18; Bernard Elwen – Region 19; Glen Lyon – Region 21; Mark Hinchliffe – Region 22; and, Peter McBride – Region 24.

There were six resolutions on the order paper, the first four of which were brought by National Council and the last two submitted by London Old Tablers' Society, seconded by Wimbledon Womblers 41 Club and were recommended by National Council. These were as follows:

**Resolution 1** – Amend the rules to allow for the National Councillors' Liaison Officer to be selected by the National Councillors as their representative as opposed to being elected by the membership. **This was carried.**

**Resolution 2** – Clarification of the rules around honorary membership. **This was carried.**

**Resolution 3** – Amendment and clarification of the rules around where National Councillors could live in order to be eligible to represent their region. **This was carried.**

**Resolution 4** – Approval to investigate charitable status for the Association. **This was carried, after one amendment.**

**Resolution 5** – Amendment of the rules to allow those over 85 to receive free membership, in the same way as those between 40 and 45. There was an amendment received to widen the scope to those members who were infirm. The amendment was defeated. The original resolution was then voted upon. **After a recount it narrowly failed to secure the requisite margin of 66% +1 so was defeated.**

**Resolution 6** – to allow the surviving partners of deceased members to continue to receive 41 Club benefits as if their partner were still alive. **This required a simple majority and was carried.**

The National President then allowed members of the National Board to make short presentations and updates:-  
**Jim Conway – Vice President.** Looking forward to getting out and about and visiting as many clubs as he could over the next two years. Anyone who wanted to book him for an event should speak to his diary convenor, Roger Spensley.

**Bernard Elwen – National Secretary.** The Admin Committee are looking at online participation at future General Meetings and investigating ways of allowing voting.

**Kevin Lovett – National Treasurer.** Capitation coming in well from clubs as they are now meeting. Thanks to Club Treasurers. CAS2 will automatically update the 2022 capitation amount and prepare an invoice to be downloaded.

**Don Mullane – National Comms and IT Officer.** Clubs would be getting an e-mail about the next 41 Club Connects, which would be North York Moors Railway and Piglet. He apologised for the non-appearance of the latest 41 Club magazine.

**Andy Ventress – IRO.** Had done most of international travel via Zoom rather than Lufthansa and Easyjet. Thanked clubs for their responses to the international participation survey. He also mentioned a microsite being developed. He was booked to visit Belgium and Verona and hoped to go to Malta.

**Steve James – National Fellowship Officer.** Fellowship events are now in full swing. The Car Rally had taken place in Kent in July, followed few weeks later by the Camping and Caravanning Rally The walking weekend in Pembrokeshire had been very successful, even though a few people had found the route more challenging than they expected. Several events next year had been planned. The Car Rally would be hosted by Market Harborough 41 Club in July. National Sports and Social Weekend would be in Okehampton in early February. The motorcycling weekend would be happening in July. The 41 Club Cruise would be going to Iceland in September. Arrangements for Cardiff 2022 were all going to plan. There would be information on three new member benefits in the forthcoming magazine.

**Glen Lyon – National Membership Officer.** His committee are looking at setting up a tripartite agreement with rotary and the Masons to try to capture those ex-Tablers who had joined these organisations and not 41 Club.

**Peter McBride – National Councillors' Liaison Officer.** Pleased with the enthusiasm from National Councillors and pleased to represent them on the Board. He also mentioned the 41 Club Buddies and Buddyline initiative, as well as the Whisky Appreciation Group.

**Andrew Mackereth – Immediate Past President.** Made a surprise presentation to Dave Campbell, Past President, on behalf of Haverhill 41 Club. It was explained by a member from Haverhill that this was a penis protector – whether it is big enough for Dave Campbell is something that only he can answer.

Peter Walker (National Councillor for Region 9) presented the National President with a cheque for Dementia UK from the cycling challenge. The National President thanked him and replied that his charity was now up to £30k.

The National President thanked all those who had put the meeting together and all those who had made the Big Weekend such a success.

The next meeting will be the AGM on Saturday 2nd April 2022 in Cardiff.

**National Secretary**

*Bernard Elwen*



# Congratulations to St Neots 41 Club for Winning the National Golf Finals

Congratulations to St Neots 41 Club for becoming the 2021 National Golf Final Champions - and to Richard Thomas for being the Individual winner!

35 golfers enjoyed the National Golf Finals over two days at the Marriott Breadsall Priory Golf Course, Derby last week. Great fellowship, fun and banter was evident - felt like a Round Table event! Great to have Peter Good 41 Club National President 2020/2022 , National Fellowship Officer Steve James and International President Luca Colombo join us for the prizegiving dinner!

*Peter McBride*



Richard ("Welsh Tom") Thomas being presented with his award as the individual winner by Peter Good



# On Yer Bike Challenge Successfully Concludes



Saturday 2nd October at The Big Weekend saw the official end of the On Yer Bike challenge with me having the greatest of pleasure in presenting President Peter Good with a cheque for £5686.10 (the amount has since risen to £5912 as donations were received after the cheque was written).

You will recall that the challenge was to 'virtually' cycle from Aviemore to Nottingham, which was planned by the most direct route (which as we all will see on a map is via Cardiff!!). On day 1, I prepared by watching the first stage of the Giro d'Italia on TV. It may have been a relatively short time trial at 8.6 km but to see Filippo Ganna complete it in less than 9 minutes at an average speed of 36.5 mph was just staggering. Hardly something I aspire to and I can always use the excuse that he has a 38 year age advantage over me!

Not to be disheartened, we all set off. Participants logged their local mileage on a weekly basis and it was plotted on a master map to show where they were along the 706 mile route. We encountered several difficulties on the way, with technology letting us down in that people weren't getting updates, but the main one was that several people incurred injuries, which shouldn't be of any great surprise – we are 41ers after all!

Fellow National Councillor (Region 15) Neal Lowe joined us cyclists but took part on foot as training for the London Marathon. Just for Neal, we called his challenge In Yer Trainers.

Despite some challenging weather conditions at times when we looked more like we had been swimming than cycling, a great time was had by all and Steve 'Lordy' Lord was so enthused, he decided that when he had finished the first 706 miles, he would do it again in reverse. Not only that, he raised a fantastic sum of money towards our total, then joined a cycling club and started entering races. Some people just can't get enough of a good thing. We had another rider, Simon Clough, tackling the steepest A road in Britain - OK, he did it going downhill but that is more scary and more of a mental challenge than the uphill journey - when your brakes are getting red hot and the chances of crashing are hugely magnified (even the professional riders crash going down mountains). If you want to check it out, take a road bike with skinny wheels and run it across damp ground, then check how much of the tyre is wet – that is what is in contact with the road - it's not much!

This challenge followed on from the 500 mile and 500 more walking challenge with both being in aid of Dementia UK. If you've not been affected by having a loved one battling against it, take it from me, it's not pleasant. You find yourself losing someone a little bit at a time and robs you of the person and personality you knew and loved. Peter's Virgin Money page is still open and I urge to give whatever you can to this very worthwhile charity. To find it, go to:- <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/PeterGood>

Many thanks to all the participants in the cycling and to everybody who donated, it is more appreciated than I can say.

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*Peter Walker*

National Councillor Region 9, Lincolnshire



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# Greetings from "Little England beyond Wales"

## 41 CLUB WALKING WEEKEND

24 - 26 SEPTEMBER 2021

STEVE JAMES, NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OFFICER

During the weekend of 24-26 Sep, 43 intrepid 41 Club and Tangent members descended on the tiny village of Lamphey in South Pembrokeshire to attend the inaugural 41 club walking weekend. Pembrokeshire was chosen because of its beautiful scenery and the fact that I am a native of the county I wanted to showcase what the area had to offer.

Several people decided to make it a longer break so a Thursday evening stroll around Tenby was arranged and after watching the sunset we went for a meal in a local hostelry. On Friday morning we drove to St David's the UK's smallest city and after visiting the cathedral we did a short walk across the coast path from Caerfai bay to Porthclais returning to St Davids. Whilst the group decided to have refreshments in a local pub, I had to get back to Lamphey to meet the walkers who were arriving for the main weekend.

A number of people had already arrived early that afternoon to explore the area and as is usual in 41 club events a number were already sitting in the sunshine having a drink outside the hotel greeting old and making new friends. The main hotel for the weekend was the Lamphey Hall hotel with a number of guests also staying in the Lamphey court hotel (me included) and walking up each evening for dinner. The conversation and fellowship at the evening meal was second to none and the chef had prepared excellent meals for everyone.

Saturday was the main day for walking and I had carefully chosen 3 routes along the coastal path of varying distances (4, 8 and 12 miles) where walkers could decide to stop and return to the hotel via bus. Everyone was up early in order to catch one of the few trains – 7 to be exact that run to Tenby on a Saturday. As readers can gather Pembrokeshire is not commuter belt country and on the line the train has to slow down at every crossing because there are no barriers or signals to warn cars of an oncoming train.

As we arrived in Tenby we headed to the South Beach for the obligatory group photo before everyone departed across the mile of sand up on to the headland. Each walker was given a comprehensive illustrated instruction leaflet which I have to thank Karen, my wife and Andy Ventress, our IRO for acting as glamorous assistants by pointing out the directions to take as highlighted in the guide photo's.

**Stage 1 to Lydstep was a 4 mile walk**, the first mile across the South beach before ascending on the headland for a relatively flat walk with stunning views across to Caldey island and some fascinating rock structures. Halfway along the coast path we came across remnants of First World War trenches that were built to teach troops how to build trenches and more importantly how to survive in them. On arriving at Lydstep those that had opted to walk 4 miles either took the bus back to Tenby to spend the afternoon in the town whilst others returned to the hotel.

**Stage 2 Lydstep to Manorbier** took the walkers up from the caravan park to the headland where we were confronted by a steep decent down a valley via 126 steps before proceeding up the headland via a meandering path on the other side. The path took us past Skrinkle Haven then we had to walk around the MOD firing range at Manorbier before heading back on to the coast path for the last 2 miles. As the path winds around the coastline, it's an exhilarating walk with outstanding views of the secluded but wide expanse of Presipe Beach and the backdrop of huge, steep and dramatically ridged cliffs.

As we approached Manorbier we were greeted by the magnificent sight of Manorbier castle which was founded in the late 11th century by the Anglo-Norman de Barry family. At Manorbier, walkers enjoyed lunch either in the tearooms or local pub. Throughout this stage myself and Andy Ventress remained back markers to assist those who were slower in pace so by the time we arrived at Manorbier the others were ready to leave either to catch the bus back to the hotel or the hardy group wanting to navigate the most rugged and picturesque part of the walk. The group started together but after the first mile and several ascents/descents we were soon strung out. The views across the bays were stunning and halfway along the stage we came across the secluded Swanlake bay which can only be reached by foot. There were a few people swimming in the sea and I soon felt like jumping in to cool off but realised that I would have to walk the remaining 2 miles sodden which would not have been pleasant and the option to skinny dip would not have been a pleasant sight so the hotel pool it was.

There were some tired legs and several blisters at the conclusion of the walk but some of us decided to walk the further 1.5 miles back to the hotel.

Saturday's dinner and several pints were a real welcome and it was great to listen to the tales of the walkers.

On Sunday we drove to Bosherton which is famous for its extensive Lilly Ponds, although they were not in bloom they were quite an impressive spectacle. The walking options were either a short 1.5 mile around the lily ponds or a 5 mile walk through the lily ponds, across Broadhaven south beach, up the headland and to St Govans chapel. Karen acted as backmarker for the day which meant I was able to lead the group. Everyone enjoyed the lily ponds and walking on the soft sand and up over to the headland caused the group to string out, until we regrouped for a rest in the beach car park situated on top of the cliffs.

The walk was relatively flat with a marvellous views of the sea, however everyone was warned that we would be walking on part of the Castlemartin tank firing range and that they should stay within the white markers to avoid stepping on an unexploded shell. That sobered a few people up especially as some people commented that they had heard the thud of the shells when they were doing night manouveres on Friday night.

The final stop of the walk was St Govans chapel which is built in the side of the cliffs. Legend has it that the number of steps going down are different to the number of steps when you walk back up but sadly no one decided to test that out. We walked back to the village tea rooms for refreshments and we said our goodbyes. I would like to thank everyone for supporting me by attending this event and from reading Northampton nene 341 Club fatter magazine it was great to see the comments of Ken Banfield who wrote about the weekend by saying "So there you have it another brilliant event to add to every 41er or Tangent member's calendar and or bucket list, the National Walking Weekend just must be done even if you don't do any walking"

Plans are already in place for the next 2 years walking weekends and further details will follow in due course.

If you do like walking then you could also try getting some practice on the 44 circular walks that comprise The Millennium Way Walks which is a 41 Club inspired project. See here for more detail. Millennium Way 100 Mile Walk (41club.org)

A version of this report, complete with photos, will be in the next magazine too!

YICF



**National Fellowship Officer**



**Gordon McNab, Past National President**

# An Update on The 41 Club Garden at the National Memorial Arboretum

The National Memorial Arboretum is situated on 150 acres of land near Lichfield in Staffordshire, within The National Forest. The area is slowly developing to become a majestic world of trees and a living memorial – a place of peace, reflection and enjoyment of nature. It is being planted with species native to Britain as well as exotic varieties from every continent. Its inspiration came from the late Group Captain Lord Cheshire V.C. who felt that something should be done to forever remember our debt to those who gave their lives to defend our freedom. In addition, the National Memorial Arboretum (NMA) is there to remember the significant contribution of any individual or organisation during our time. Several years ago the management of The Arboretum was taken over by the British Legion although it continues to be run as a separate body.

The Arboretum was officially opened in 2001 by the Duchess of Kent and now hosts an impressive Visitor Centre, Function Suite, Restaurant and Chapel. Members of the Royal Family and high-ranking military personnel, current and retired, regularly attend functions and dedications. Visitor numbers are now in excess of 300,000 per annum. Recently The Arboretum, together with the National Forest Company announced plans to create a 25-acre woodland on adjacent land as a living memorial in memory of all the lives lost due to the pandemic. A 980-year lease has been granted by quarry operator Tarmac.

Now I would like to give you an insight into how the 41 Club Garden at the NMA came almost 20 years ago. During my last few months as National President, Lichfield 41 Club made an approach requesting The Association's support for their appeal for funds to help create a 41Club Garden of Remembrance at the NMA. The National Council of the day was glad to add their support and a letter was sent by Lichfield 41 to all Clubs in the Association appealing for contributions. As a result, nearly £5,000 was raised, with donations from over 200 Clubs throughout Great Britain and Ireland and some from overseas.

In September 2001, a plot was reserved, and plans were made for an Auction of Promises to be held at the Arboretum in June 2002 when a further £6,000 was raised on the night followed by a contribution of £1500 from RTBI.

In the years that followed Lichfield 41 Club undertook the maintenance of the Garden but as the Arboretum grew in stature and following the operation being taken over by the British Legion this became more difficult and nowadays only authorised contractors are permitted on site. Approximately 10 years ago the Garden was refurbished, and the Tangent Sundial added and a few years after that the cost of ongoing maintenance was taken over by The Association with our National President Peter involved over the past few years.

I am sorry to say that this summer the garden looked very run down and neglected. This cannot be acceptable so we, Lichfield 41, have been in discussion with the NMA in an attempt to resolve the issue. Remedial work is well underway with the cost of £1,768 INC VAT agreed with National. We now must consider the cost of ongoing maintenance on an annual basis or the purchase of an annuity in perpetuity. It is interesting to note that all new memorial gardens require an endowment in place as a condition of purchase. Presently maintenance at the 41 Club Garden is by crisis with emphasis on Remembrance Sunday and no



consideration given to the state of the Garden throughout the rest of the year.

The Arboretum have quoted a figure of £1,276 plus VAT (£1531) for annual maintenance, or £27,375 for an endowment which will provide funds for perpetual maintenance, but before they "accept" such an agreement they would require to make good the paving around the Tangent Sun Dial at a cost of £576 + VAT (£691) and possibly a further sum to make good other areas, such as the signage, rondels and possibly the edging to the circular path surrounding the garden following which ongoing remedial work can be accommodated withing the perpetual agreement. Any agreement would be for maintenance and not replacement of trees or memorials.

An ongoing contract will include the following:-

- Hand wash / steam clean where necessary, of memorial stone and integrated objects (minimum twice per annum)
- Thermatec ® PAVED area (minimum twice per annum)
- Chemical: herbicide, pesticide or fungicide application (minimum twice per annum)
- Hand mowing and collect around memorial footprint and other integrated objects during growing season
- Machine mowing during growing season
- Trim Conifers (minimum three times per annum)
- Re-wax bronze (annually)
- Thermatec ® and oil application of 5 wooden benches (annually)

I believe that the Association must commit to one or other of the options on the table from the NMA.

We at Lichfield 41 Club have asked National Council to give serious consideration to following the endowment option. The annual plan, even if costs remain constant, which will not be the case, will exceed the cost of purchasing the endowment within 18 years. I know that an outflow of more than £27,000 would be quite a hit on our reserve but what I remember about our balance sheet at the end of 2020 I believe we are in a healthy position. In the past!! About 25 years ago when I had the privilege of being your National Treasurer, The Association was taken to task at an AGM as our reserves were considered excessive and that resulted in £45,000 being donated to Charity in various forms over a couple of years.

I believe that the purchase of an endowment is the route to follow and don't forget that this is a Round Table Family Garden so I suggest that Tangent, RTBI and Circle are approached for a contribution. There could be another alternative. Lichfield 41, or at least some of the members of Lichfield 41, are happy to join with a representation from National Council to lead another National Appeal for Funds. The sum required is a tall ask for an appeal so I suggest that a percentage of the sum required, say 50%, could be underwritten by The Association and other Family members to ensure that the Garden is maintained in perpetuity for generations to come.

The National Memorial Arboretum continues to grow in prominence, and it is pleasing that The Association has been involved since the beginning. We ask that our National Council support what is proposed to ensure that the 41 Club Garden continues to be a place to be proud of going forward into the future.

YICF,



**Gordon McNab**  
**Lichfield 41 Club, Past National President**



# Market Harborough 41 Club

## National Car Rally 2022

### The "Three Counties" Tour

- Leicestershire, Rutland & Northamptonshire -  
Friday 29th to Sunday 31st July 2022

Market Harborough 41 Club are delighted to invite you to the 2022 National Car Rally based in Market Harborough, a delightful market town in the south east of Leicestershire sharing boundaries with Rutland and Northamptonshire.

We will be based at the **Three Swans Hotel**, in the centre of Market Harborough - a former 16th Century coaching inn where King Charles I chose to visit back in 1645, the day before the famous battle of Naseby.

#### Friday 29th July

We all meet up at the hotel on Friday to prepare for our evening Welcome Party held at the hotel where you can recount motoring tales and enjoy a buffet meal.

#### Saturday 30th July

Meet your fellow rally guests at 10.00. am in the hotel car park and check out everybody's classic car. We'll then have a run through the delightful countryside of the "Three Counties" before stopping off for lunch. After lunch, we will have another run back to Market Harborough.

There is a Rally Dinner at the Three Swans in the evening with a 3-course meal, entertainment and the presentation of various awards.

#### Sunday 31st July

We will assemble at the hotel after breakfast for a scenic run followed by an informal lunch. After lunch, entrants are free to leave for home or stay and enjoy the wonderful sights of the "Three Counties" countryside.

#### The National Car Rally Package and Costs

We have negotiated a National Car Rally Package with the Three Swans Hotel for 2 people at a cost of £293 in total which includes:

- A Classic Double Room for Friday and Saturday night with 2 people sharing including Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday
- Hot Buffet for 2 people on Friday night
- 3 course Rally Dinner for 2 people on Saturday night.

Other room types may be available, and the Three Swans are happy to discuss your requirements.

#### Car Registration and Cost

You can enter your car for the Rally and include a profile in the 2022 National Car Rally Brochure at a cost of £30. We are also producing an commemorative Rally Plate for £10 should you wish to buy a souvenir of the "Three Counties Tour."

#### How do I enter?

To book your accommodation and meals, click here for the Booking Form and then follow the instructions, contacting the Three Swans Hotel direct.

To register your car and purchase your Rally Plate, click here and again follow the instructions before contacting Market Harborough 41 Club.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact Market Harborough 41 Club via email at [marketharborough41club@gmail.com](mailto:marketharborough41club@gmail.com) or visit our Club website at [mh41club.org.uk](http://mh41club.org.uk)

**Yours in Continued Friendship**  
**The 2022 National Car Rally Team**



**41 Club**  
CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP

## Market Harborough 41 Club - The "Three Counties" Tour

### 41 Club National Car Rally Friday 29<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 31 July 2022

Market Harborough 41 Club look forward to seeing you at the event hotel which is The Three Swans Hotel, 21 Main Street, Market Harborough, LE16 7NJ (telephone 01858 466644). See website for further details [www.threeswans.co.uk](http://www.threeswans.co.uk)

#### HOTEL AND MEALS BOOKING FORM

Name of Person Booking	
Address	
Postcode	
Mobile Telephone Number *	
Contact Telephone Number (if different to Mobile Number)	
Email address	
Name(s) of Other Guest(s)	

\* We will create a National Car Rally 2022 WhatsApp Group for communication and messaging.

#### CLASSIC CAR RALLY PACKAGE

The package, for 2 people, costs £293 in total and includes:

- A Classic Double Room for Friday and Saturday night with 2 people sharing including Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday
- Hot Buffet for 2 people on Friday night
- 3 course Rally Dinner for 2 people on Saturday night.

Other room types may be available – please contact the Three Swans direct to discuss your requirements.

**When booking, please notify the hotel of any Dietary requirements.**

Please book your National Car Rally Package, using this form, directly with the hotel via email to [candeswans@innmail.co.uk](mailto:candeswans@innmail.co.uk) quoting **41CLUB** as your booking reference.

When you check in at the hotel on arrival, you will receive a Car Parking Permit to use during your stay.

**Note that full payment is required at the time of booking. In the event that you need to cancel your booking there will be a full refund provided SIX WEEKS notice is given.** (It is recommended that you use Visa/MasterCard).

Geoff Capell  
Chairman, Market Harborough National Car Rally 2022  
Contact number 07594 561446



**41 Club**  
CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP

**Market Harborough 41 Club - The "Three Counties" Tour**

**41 Club National Car Rally 2022**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022**

**Car Registration and Rally Plate Purchase**

Full Name(s) Driver .....

Full Name(s) Co-Driver .....

Home Address .....

.....

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Post Code ..... Mobile Telephone Number .....

Email .....

Vehicle Year/Make/Model .....

Vehicle Registration number .....

Please email this form; a photograph of your vehicle and any kind words about you and your vehicle for inclusion in the Event Brochure by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 to [marketharborough41club@gmail.com](mailto:marketharborough41club@gmail.com)

We are also producing a commemorative Rally Plate for you to keep at a cost of £10.

If you want to purchase a Rally Plate please tick the box.

**Event Payment Details**

The vehicle entrance fee is £30 and the cost of the Rally Plate is £10. Your payment of either £30 or £40 should be paid to the Market Harborough 41 Club account by bank transfer

Bank: HSBC  
Account Name: Market Harborough 41 Club  
Sort Code: 40-32-04  
Account Number: 81044125

Reference:      (Your name)NCR2022

May the "Hinges of Friendship Never Rust" by using WD 40

Geoff Capell  
Chairman Market Harborough National Car Rally

Contact number 07594 561446

31st March -  
3rd April  
2022



CARDIFF 2022

# a peach of a conference

We really hope that you are all doing well and keeping safe. After a really horrendous 15 months we are sure that come 2022 you will be ready for face to face AGMs and a big 41 Club/Tangent party.

The 41 Club AGM will be held at the Sophia Gardens (formerly SWALEC) Stadium, a 15 minute amble from the main hotel, plus transport is being provided. The Tangent AGM is being held in the Hilton Hotel a five minute walk from the Holiday Inn, plus transport is being provided.

Other fun stuff includes:

- Thursday night Welcome Party at the Holiday Inn with surprises in store for everyone.
- Friday trips to the Big Pit (go down a real mine), Cardiff Castle, and fixtures permitting, the Principality Stadium.
- Friday evening the Joint Presidents Banquet will take place in the iconic City Hall with more surprises in store.
- Saturday the final night party will be back at the Sophia Gardens Stadium and chance to show off your creativity.

All walkable distances, plus transport will be provided on the Friday and Saturday evenings.

There will be a separate conference bar at Callaghans

(within the Holiday Inn) open all day till the early hours.

The conference hotel is the Holiday Inn. Other hotels are available via the Cardiff tourism link below.

Roald Dahl said, "We are the music makers, and we are the dreamers of dreams." As far as we are aware, Roald Dahl never attended a 41 Club and Tangent Conference, but he definitely understands what we are going to bring you in March/April 2022!

"Never do anything by halves if you want to get away with it. Be outrageous. Go the whole hog. Make sure everything you do is so completely crazy it's unbelievable."  
Roald Dahl, Matilda.

Conference 2022 will feature spectacular venues for our magical events, fabulous fellowship and friendship and a lot of FUN.

The Conference Committee are doing nothing by halves and are definitely going the whole hog, and we thank them for all their work, but it would be nothing without YOU, the members attending.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Cardiff! Remember, "Those who don't believe in magic will never find it" (Roald Dahl) - Peter & Tracey.

THURSDAY - WELCOME PARTY  
FRIDAY - GOLF, TRIPS & BANQUET  
SATURDAY - AGM'S & PARTY NIGHT



Holiday Inn - Castle Street



The Hilton Hotel



Cardiff Castle



Swalec Stadium



Cardiff City Hall



The Big Pit



St Fagans Red House



Cardiff Bay



Wenvoe Castle Golf Club



St Davids 2 Shopping Centre



Cardiff Museum



Wales Millennium Centre



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41 Club and Tangent  
Facebook pages

BOOK YOUR ROOM AT THE  
**HOLIDAY INN**  
email: [louise.webb@hicardiffcitycentre.co.uk](mailto:louise.webb@hicardiffcitycentre.co.uk)

CARDIFF TOURISM HOTEL BOOKINGS





# TANGENT TCI UPDATE

Hello Gentlemen, I hope that life and 41 Club are treating you well. I am finally out and about and really enjoying meeting Tangent Members and of course a few 41ers along the way. Friends who don't know our organisations are always amazed that you can arrive at the home of someone you don't know, be warmly welcomed and hosted royally, leaving as new friends – it's a great way to meet 41 Club Members too – thank you.

It's been a momentous few weeks for our Association for a couple of reasons. We held a Special General Meeting to discuss our future in Tangent Club International (TCI) because back in 2018 TCI introduced a rule requiring that candidates for nomination to the TCI Board 'shall be active members of their Full Member Association and have been members of Ladies Circle or wife or female partner of a current or past member of Round Table.' Tangent GB&I voted against this as we welcome ladies who have no connection with the Round Table Family.

We have since worked to have this rule amended so that our valued members with no Ladies Circle or Round Table connection can stand for office on the TCI Board, unfortunately despite various attempts we have been unsuccessful. The National Executive reported back to the Members at the meeting on 6 September and the result of the vote was to give notice to TCI at the Half Yearly meeting in October that with effect from 30 March 2022 Tangent GB&I would leave TCI.

There was a great deal of discussion which made it clear that members would miss the friendship and opportunities provided by TCI but could not accept the continued inequality that the rule created for our Association and therefore voted to leave. I am sure however that Tangent Members will find ways to continue international friendships.

The second momentous occasion was the celebration of our 50th Anniversary. We did this with a lunch for over 320 ladies at The National Conference Centre near Birmingham. It was a splendid day with ladies taking the opportunity to dust off pre-lockdown finery and catch up with friends over a glass or two of Champagne and a lovely lunch. We were joined by Round Table President Paul Thompson, your own President Peter Good and Ladies Circle Vice-President Fiona Bull and Immediate Past President Lindsay Pickard and our speaker was Mr Kinky Boots – Steve Pateman who entertained us brilliantly. We were able to look back at a selection from 50 years of photographs and remind ourselves of absent friends. There was a great deal of laughter and over £2000 raised for Crisis my chosen Charity for the year. It was a very special afternoon and confirmed that Tangent is still fabulous at Fifty!

Looking forward to seeing more of you on my travels and celebrating at my Charity Ball in Stratford on Avon on 29 January 2022 – do contact Jayne to book in on [tpevents2122@gmail.com](mailto:tpevents2122@gmail.com)

Yours in Continued Friendship

*Tracy*

National President



# It's time to cruise again!

David Tomlin, Ware & District 41 Club

On the 16th August my wife and I boarded Bolette the new flagship of the Fred Olsen fleet on her maiden voyage of three nights and two days from Dover to the Isles of Scilly and the Channel Islands. A wonderful experience for us marking the relaxations to the Covid restrictions we have all experienced over the past 18 months.

On arrival at the quayside we were asked to wear our face masks and await the result of a Covid lateral flow test. After a short wait for the result we were speedily checked through the boarding procedure and we in our chosen cabin within an hour.

What a delight awaited us. Everything was brand spanking new from furnishings and decoration to poolside sun beds

We were required to wear masks while outside of our cabin and in all public areas of the ship and to maintain social distancing. The relaxation to this rule was when in an outside space and whilst eating or drinking in one of the numerous venues. We felt completely safe.

An excellent menu was on offer each day in the various restaurants and we were pleasantly surprised by the price and variety of wines and spirits available.

Available to us each day were exercise, viewing the shoreline scenery, relaxing by the pool, and listening to lectures and many other activities. Our day would draw to a close with a leisurely G & T in the Crows Nest whilst listening to a musical group and viewing the sunset. Then on to a delicious dinner served in the Bloomsbury restaurant by a friendly and attentive waiting staff.

We had the added excitement of a formal dinner and I was delighted that my tux still fitted!!  
The evening events in Neptune Theatre lounge were both spectacular and entertaining

I was pleased that someone called to me to remove my face mask as this photo was being taken!!!

One disappointment was that despite wearing the 41 Club shirt and lapel badge no one came up to introduce themselves. I shall keep trying.

Yours in "continued friendship".

*David Tomlin*

**Ware and District 41 Club**







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41 Club members can save 10% off of any 2021 sailings. Combinable with any current offers, including Fred. Olsen Oceans discount. But hurry this offer ends 31st October 2021.



For more information or to book please call 0800 0355 108  
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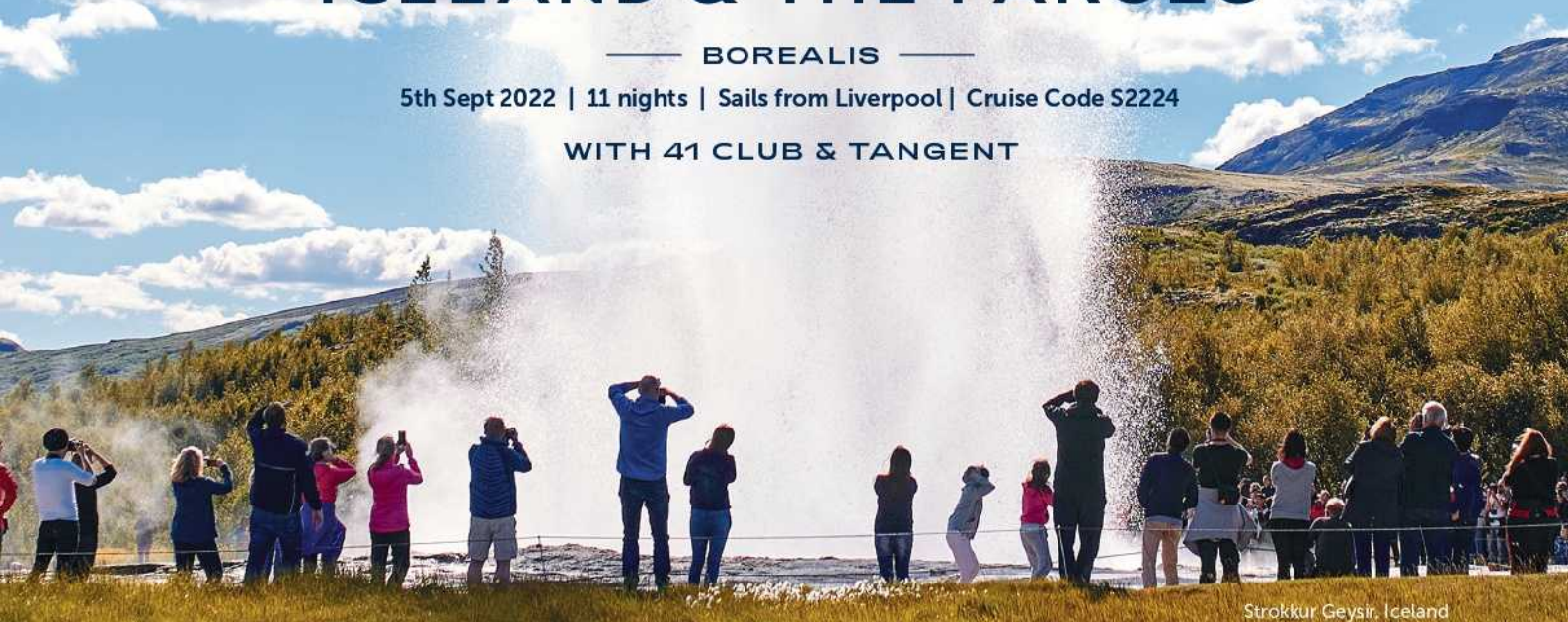
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WITH 41 CLUB & TANGENT



Strokkur Geysir, Iceland

You're in for an unforgettable adventure, as you go in search of the wonders and wildlife of Iceland and the Faroe Islands. From Reykjavik, journey to witness the natural power of the Gullfoss Waterfall and gushing Geysir hot springs. From Akureyri go whale watching in the northern waters to look out for humpback and minke whales, dolphins and porpoises.

Savour the rugged scenes of Seyðisfjörður, and experience scenic cruising by the coastal Hornstrandir cliffs, jagged rock faces that are home to the Elf King and Queen, the dragon tail-like peaks of Drangaskord and Borgarfjordur Eystri. Time spent sailing in Faroese will be unforgettable too; behold the sight of the imposing Vestmanna and Gasadalur cliffs, and of dramatic isles and sea stacks. Ashore, in Klaksvik and Tórshavn, you can learn of the Faroe's historic links to the Vikings.



## 41 club & Tangent Group Fares per person, from

Interior	£1,709pp
Ocean View	£1,889pp
Superior Ocean View	£2,339pp
Terrace Room	£3,149pp
Suite	£3,959pp
Single Interior	£2,789
Single Ocean View	£3,059



Date	Destination
Mon 5 Sep	Liverpool, England
Tue 6 Sep	Cruising
Wed 7 Sep	Cruising
Thu 8 Sep	Reykjavik, Iceland
Fri 9 Sep	Reykjavik, Iceland
Sat 10 Sep	Scenic Cruising
Sun 11 Sep	Akureyri, Iceland
Sun 11 Sep	Crossing the Icelandic Arctic Circle, Iceland
Mon 12 Sep	Seyoisfjorour, Iceland
Tue 13 Sep	Klaksvik, Faeroe Islands
Wed 14 Sep	Torshavn, Faeroe Islands
Thu 15 Sep	Cruising
Fri 16 Sep	Liverpool, England

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# 41 Club and Tangent Cruise

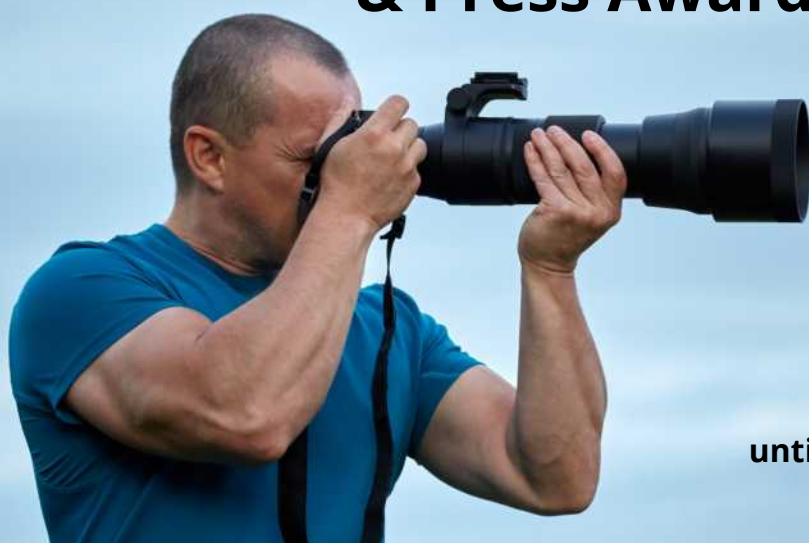
As the travel restrictions start easing and cruising comes “back to the fore” 41 Club and Tangent have put together an amazing club cruise circumnavigating Iceland with a stop to the Faroes on our homeward journey. The cruise departs on 5th September from Liverpool for 11 nights on the recently acquired Borealis. Borealis is spacious, stylish and comfortable and thanks to her ability to cruise at higher speeds than other ships means that she can include more stops, scenic discoveries and highlights into each itinerary.

The cruise includes an overnight stop in Reykjavik as well as visiting Akuyeyri and Seydisfjordur in Iceland and on our homeward journey will call in to Klaksvik and Torshavn in the Faroe Islands where we have made contact with a local 41 Club member who has offered to give us a guided tour.

As well as receiving the members discount on the cruise we have also arranged a 41 Club and Tangent members drinks reception. The cruise will be an unforgettable experience combined with the true 41 and Tangent fellowship that prevails when our members get together.

If you are interested in joining us on our cruise please see the flyer opposite on how to secure your place.

## The National Photographic Competition & Press Awards



Entries are now open  
until the end of this calendar year

**Entries are invited for:-**

- **The National Photographic Competition**
- **The Best Club Website**
- **The Best Club Newsletter**

**Prizes will be presented at Cardiff Conference 2022. Good luck.**

Submit entries to [comms@41Club.org](mailto:comms@41Club.org) with Comp as the first word in your email heading



# 41 CLUB SUPPORTS MENTAL HEALTH

## ***ARE WE REALLY "EVER MINDFUL OF THOSE LESS FORTUNATE?"***

Within our own 41 Clubs Association we are all aware of the benefits that our friendships and fellowship between each other provides us with..... Or are we?

We often commence each meetings with our the Association Grace "Lord, As as we enjoy this food and fellowship, may we be ever mindful of those less fortunate". I confess that at times I just recite these words without fully thinking about what they reallymean.

Am I really mindful of my 41 Club friends and how they dealing with things? Am I worried about asking in case they I might embarrass them or is it easier to just not ask? After all, they haven't mentioned anything so things should be OK, shouldn't it?

Events such as World Mental Health Day on Sunday 10th October 2021 are an opportunity for us all to take stock and consider how we support each other.

### **What can my 41 Club do?**

**As part of our support for addressing Men's Mental Health issues, we are asking all Clubs in October and November to raise awareness of the help available to members from other members, in their own clubs and without.** At a national level we have in the National 41 club Club Newsletters, the 41 Club Magazine, 41 Club Connects on-line events, Special Interest Groups on Facebook, and the 41 Club Facebook Members Group and Facebook Regional Groupss and via the 41 Club website under 41 Connects / Member Resources or via this link:help pages at <https://41clubconnects.co.uk/41-club-buddyline/> and of course the Buddyline itself open from 10am to 10pm 7-days a week on **03301 07 07 40** BUT the best help for members is going to come from their own clubs, therefore now is a good time for each of you to consider:

- Has one of your members not attended your Club meeting for a while; or may not have been in touch; or does someone seem a little quieter than usual or just not themselves?
- Has anyone thought of speaking with them - just to have a chat to check they are OK?
- Could your Club organise an informal 'rota' to contact those 'infrequent' members?
- Has your Club sadly lost a member – has someone kept in touch with their partner?
- Some Clubs have a 'Welfare Officer' to carry out the above – could your Club benefit from having such a role?
- Are all your members aware of the 41 Club 'Buddyline'?

### **All of us need to talk to someone occasionally...**

Most of the time we're OK and deal with whatever 'stuff' life throws at us but sometimes it's good to talk. Most of the time it will be with our family or close friends but every now and then, the very people who are closest to us aren't always the ones we can easily open- up to – and being men of a certain age and background, we don't always find it easy to ask for support.

### **Buddyline**

That is where the 41 Club 'Buddies' come in and why the 'Buddyline' number exists - it's a confidential befriending service manned by 41 Club volunteers that any 41 Club member can phone for a chat about anything they want to. More information can be found on <https://41clubconnects.co.uk/41-club-buddyline/> Please support the Association's support for World Mental Health Day in your next Club meetings and beyond - at the end of the day, we are all buddies to each other and what better way could there be to ensure we are all living up to our Association's Toast – "To Continued Friendship".

## Share your story

What does your 41 Club do to support its members? How has your 41 Club helped you? How might other Clubs learn from your experience? We're looking to raise awareness across the Association – please share your story by emailing [welfare@41club.org](mailto:welfare@41club.org) and these will be anonymised as required, summarised and shared with Clubs to maybe encourage others to adopt similar approaches.

Yours in Continued Friendship,

*Peter*

## National President

{This feature was previously emailed to all members as part of World Mental Health Day - it is reproduced here in case anyone missed it.}



Dear Friends,

It is good to come back to near normalcy and get down to business. I have herewith provided the link to the October issue of 41 Communique newsletter of 41 INTERNATIONAL. There is a little surprise for you. I have created a "video newsletter" instead of the "text " version. I thought it would be more engaging and interesting to see events in action than merely read about them. Please click on either of the links below to view the "First Video Newsletter" of 41 INTERNATIONAL. I would also request you to share your opinion as to whether we can produce video newsletters in the remaining months of this term or go back to text newsletters.

The Link for the homepage:

<http://www.41international.net/2021/10/41-international-video-newsletter/>

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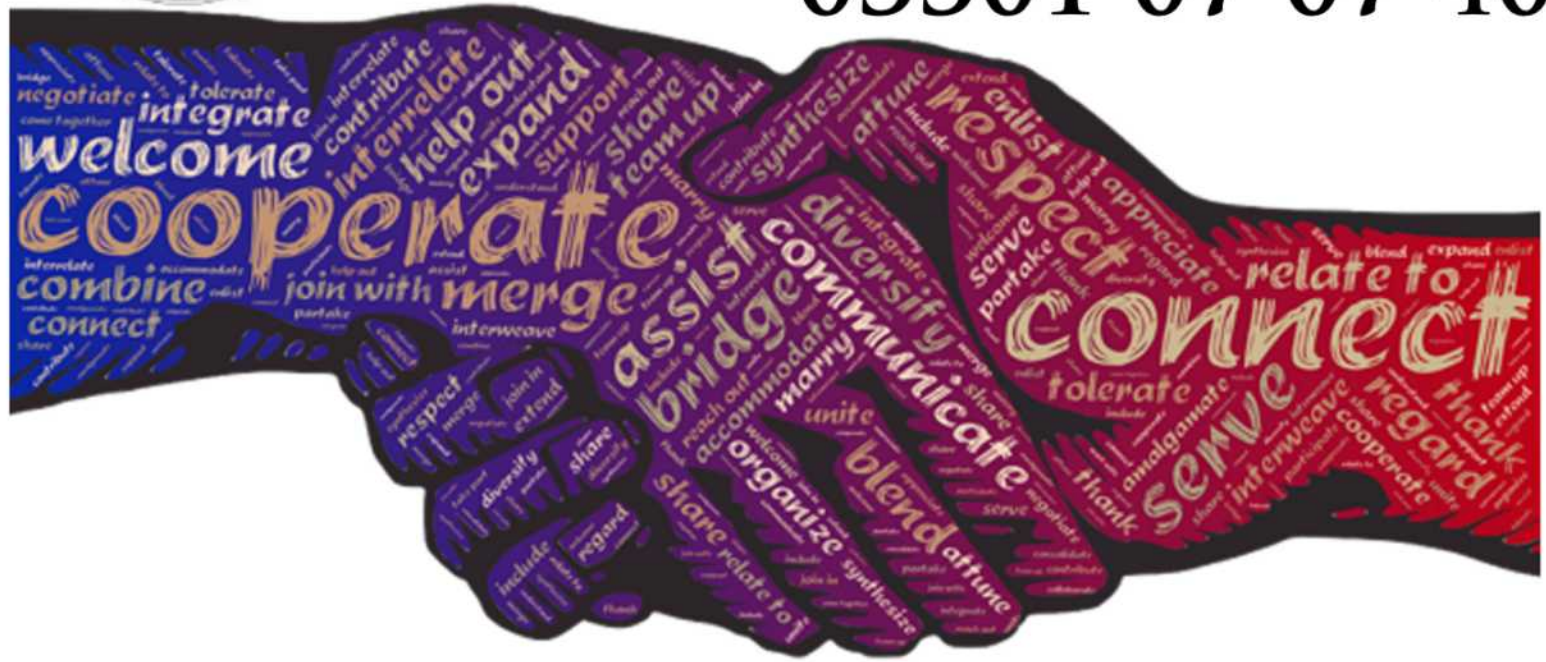
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Dr.Sid Siddharthan



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## PRESIDENTIAL CHARITY FUNDRAISER

KEVIN STEWART, NAT CLLR REGION 2, SCOTLAND - SOUTH

Kevin is embarking on a fundraising initiative for the National President's charity by seeking to cover an entire jacket in 41 club / RT pins in time for The 41 Club Big Weekend, in October, where it will be auctioned off.

The jacket being used is a former NSW 2010 Lancaster organizing committee jacket, so it in itself makes the auction worthwhile.

If you have any spare pins lying about and wish to help out raising money for the Presidents charity then please send any pins you have to the following address:

Kevin Stewart  
Region 2 Rep  
Marchesi House  
4 Embassy Drive  
Birmingham B15 1TP





## Everest Trek in Aid of Dementia UK

Since the beginning of the year a 10 man team mostly made up of 41ers from all over the UK have been training hard for a 40 mile each way charity trek to Everest Base camp. Training started in January this year and has included challenging treks in Snowdonia, the Peak District, the lake District and Brecon Beacons.

The team felt prepared and were ready to leave for Nepal on the 16th October 2021. However Covid-19 had other ideas! Nepal is currently under lockdown as a new wave of the delta variant continues to surge. The country is also on the UK red list with the government advising against travel so it wasn't a surprise when The Everest Team led by Marcus Jones and explorer Mark Wood recently announced that the trek would have to be postponed until October 2022.

Whilst the team are all disappointed not to be heading out to the Himalayas this year the decision means that the team will have more time to train and be even more prepared. The trek is challenging taking the team through difficult terrain but it is the altitude of Base camp at 5300 meters which is the main concern as this can cause very serious issues with altitude sickness.

Not disheartened the team are now aiming to trek to the summit of the Everest of the UK, Ben Nevis, on the 16th October 2021 to mark the original date they would have left the U.K for Nepal so everyone is looking forward to that.

A number of events are being planned to support the 41 club Presidents charity Dementia U.K. and The Frank Bruno Mental health Foundation so look out for further details in the year ahead.

Each member of the team have their own fund raising pages and will be asking for support. They are also helping Round Table Nepal with a special school project following the terrible earthquake by sponsoring the education of a child for a year at a cost of £150. The team are also taking much needed second hand laptops to Nepal.

Therefore If any 41 club or individual would like to make a donation to the teams fund raising efforts, support a child's education or have an old working laptop they would like to donate please email ex Round Table IRO Studley for further details of how you can help at [studley.rt@virginmedia.com](mailto:studley.rt@virginmedia.com)

**[www.Doingextraordinarythings.com](http://www.Doingextraordinarythings.com)** explains more about the umbrella project and details of the Everest challenge, what they are trying to do for the charities they are supporting and the why they are doing it.

To find out more information about our expedition leader and renowned Explorer Mark Wood, please visit his Web page **<http://www.markwoodexplorer.com>**



## Baildon 41 Club, Region 6 Yorkshire - by Wynn Parry

Like many of my fellow National Councillors, I am now trying to re-engage with 41 Clubs in my Region. I have contacted many clubs enquiring as to their general health and wellbeing along with their meeting status post the lifting of lockdown rules. Some Clubs seem to be reluctant to start physically meeting again, this is understandable. I hope to be able to visit these clubs as and when they feel it is appropriate for themselves to start meeting and to invite a visitor.

The Clubs that are meeting, are very enthusiastic and seem to be wanting to make up for lost time. So far, I have visited 10 Clubs for a variety of events, mainly of a sporting nature, with Bowls and petanque being the most popular of choices. Last month I visited Rotherham 41 Club, who held their first physical meeting for over 18 months, the Club have been regularly over zoom during the intervening period. I have a number of other dates in my diary for the remainder of the calendar year and I am looking forward to getting out and about again meeting with old and new friends.

I am pleased to say after a few years of absence Baildon 41 Club has reformed and re-affiliated to the National Association. Baildon have been meeting regularly since May and we look forwards to meeting our National President, Peter Good, on Friday 15th October at our first Charter Dinner. Peter will re-induct both the club and some members into the Association as we as induct Graham Iles as our new Chairman. Hopefully we will receive the customary bottle of whisky for us to enjoy on the evening. The photographs below, show Baildon at a local bowling Club with our hosts, who tried to coach us in the art and there is an action shot of on of the guys bowling with me paying particular attention to the bias he was using on his bowl (haha). The third photo is from a joint event with Haworth 41 Club and Haworth Tangent, who keeping the sporting theme going, who also held a bowling evening followed by a supper at a local restaurant.

It is great to see our Association starting to return to normal after this terrible pandemic we have all endured and I look forward to hearing your stories in articles in future newsletters and magazines.

Yours in Continued Friendship

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# JIM CONWAY

OUR ONLY VICE....

NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

I hope this edition of the Newsletter finds you fit and well and getting back into the swing of 41 Club. Rather than do a write up on the big weekend, which I am sure will be better covered by others, I thought I would include some pictures to give you an insight into the life of a VP.

Thursday I saw No Time to Die, kindly arranged by Peter Good and his PLC. It was a great event which got the weekend off to a great start.

Friday consisted of a Board Meeting, a joint board meeting with Tangent and a Council Meeting, followed by a Nations Night Fancy Dress Party. Being 61% Irish and 39% Scottish I decided to dress with an Irish theme and therefore complimented those in their Union Jack Suits, so we represented GB & I. As you can see, the President's wife Lesley Good was only too delighted to be accosted by a Leprechaun.



Saturday saw us take to the stage for the SGM, followed by a gin tasting of 41 Club Gin and a meeting with International President Luca. In the evening, we enjoyed a black tie party which was for many overdue. It was great to meet up with Heather Parry (Tangent VP) and Fiona Bull (Circle VP) who are already great friends and with whom I am so looking forward to be working with over the next couple of years. We had to send this picture to Matt Fallon the Table VP, as unfortunately, he had to miss the party. Talk about rubbing it in.

Sunday and it was a drive down to Greenwich to do the London Marathon. Well part of the Marathon. My good friend Charles Montlake has an incurable cancer, so along with my wife and Don Mullane, we walked the last 7 miles with him. Having run 10 marathons myself, I know you have to be a little bit mad to attempt one, but to do it with Myeloma, requires a certain amount of determination that most of us cannot begin to understand.



Monday and a drive back to Stourbridge to catch up with my local 41 Club, Smethwick for lunch. It is fair to say the rest of the day was spent relaxing, because Tuesday is catch up on correspondence and the Connects Prep before Wednesday's Connects event.

YiCF,  
*Jim Conway*



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to book in and to order your sample pack for the event.



National President 2021/22  
Tracey Pickin  
Invites you to join  
her for the

# PRESIDENT'S CHARITY BALL

SATURDAY 29TH JANUARY 2022

STRATFORD MANOR HOTEL



*41 Club*  
CONNECTS

Wednesday 20th October

Ruth Curry

**Being driven out of Africa by Mugabe**



*41 Club*  
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Wednesday 3rd November  
**41 CLUB GARDENING SPECIAL**

Featuring Peter Good and Rory Tompsett  
at the Tatton Garden Show



# Town Hall Meeting

**Wednesday 24th November**

**Meet the 41 Club National Board  
A chance to question the Board outside an AGM**

**VIEW EVENTS AGAIN**



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# NORWICH WENSUM & YARE 41 CLUB

41 Club

Norwich Wensum & Yare Chair invites you to their

## ANNUAL FORECAST EVENING

at

Wensum Valley Hotel, Beech Avenue  
Norwich, NR8 6HP

on

Monday 17th January 2022 - 7.00 for 7.30 pm

Guest Speaker - Dr Chris Bushby  
Chief Executive, Big C



National President - Peter Good

The evening will consist of a three course meal,  
results of 2020 Forecast Evening and speeches  
(the winner takes the coveted crystal ball trophy for the year)

Tickets available from : Stuart Smith 01603 713282  
( email : [stuartsmith41club@btinternet.com](mailto:stuartsmith41club@btinternet.com) )

Cost £ TBC - Dress code— Jacket and Tie

