

**MINUTES**

National Board Officers

Jim Conway	National President	JC
Steve James	National Vice President	SJ
Bernard Elwen	National Secretary	BE
Kevin Lovett	National Treasurer	KL
Wynn Parry	NCLO + Region 6	WP
Don Mullane	National Communications and IT Officer	DM
Peter McBride	National Membership Officer	PM
Andy Ventress	International Relations Officer	AV
Kelly Clarke	National Fellowship Officer	KC
Peter Good	Immediate Past President	PG

National Councillors

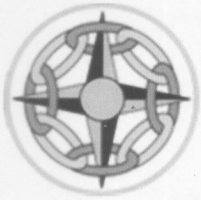
Colin McKenzie	Region 1	CM
Bill Freeman	Region 2	BF
Roger Spensley	Region 5	RS
John Kilshaw	Region 8	JK
Peter Walker	Region 9	PW
Steve Tasker	Region 11	ST
Rory Tompsett	Region 12	RT
John Bell	Region 13	JB
Andy Waring	Region 15	AW
Stuart Bizley	Region 17	SB
Jason Thomson	Region 18	JT
David Chard	Region 20	DC
Stuart George	Region 22	SG
Richard Dyson	Region 23	RD
Martin Manuel	Region 25	MM

National Honorary Officers

Sean McCormick	Honorary Archivist	SM
David Smith	Honorary Solicitor	DS

Apologies

Peter Milburn	Region 4
John Manley	Region 10
Richard Holland	Region 14
Paul Simmons	Region 16
Kevin Chard	Region 21



**41 Club**  
CONTINUED FRIENDSHIP

**National Council Meeting**  
**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 at 10:30am**

**Merton Hotel, Jersey**

Guests

David Liddiard

Jersey 41 Club

Tom Abbott

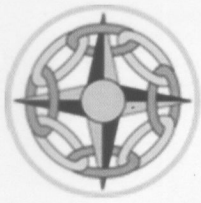
Harpenden and Royston 41 Clubs

Vicky Conway

Past President Ladies Circle

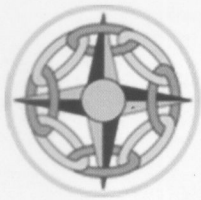
1. Welcome JC welcomed National Council members and guests to the meeting.
2. Purposes and Objects Aably recited by Bill Freeman.
3. Declaration of Business Interests KL had a financial interest in the caravan park being used for the 2023 Camping and Caravanning Rally.
4. Apologies for Absence As above
5. Minutes of Meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022 Agreed as an accurate record.
6. Matters Arising None that were not covered elsewhere on the agenda.
7. National Council Reports – Questions None
8. Membership PM put forward East Grinstead 41 Club for disaffiliation, which was noted by the meeting.  
PM outlined his strategy to engage with Round Tablers who would soon be leaving under their age rule. He would be organising a membership stand at RTBI conference in Blackpool on 20<sup>th</sup> May. Several other members of National Council offered to help with the stall.  
PM outlined his proposal to create Area XRT 41 Clubs for those ex-Tablers who had left Table, or were about to leave, but were reluctant to join their local 41 Club. PM thought it would help if Round Table areas and 41 Club regions were aligned so that connections within Round Table areas could be maintained.
9. Fellowship KC reported that the Liverpool Conference 2024 website was now live.  
NSSW Stranraer was running out of single rooms, so those who wanted one should book in straight away.  
The Camping and Caravan Rally was planned for 29<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October in Wadebridge, Devon. KC had asked Mark House, our Webmaster, to get the booking site up and running.  
Walking Weekend 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> July in Alcester. Bookings coming in well.  
Classic Car Rally 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> June in Gloucester – this was almost sold out.  
Motorcycle Rally 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> July in the Peak District – bookings were coming in.





An affinity deal involving little blue pills was mentioned – cue several jokes about KC rising to the challenge. Further information on the 41 Club website eagerly awaited.

10. Comms and IT DM gave an update of progress being made with the transition to 41er World. Mark House was now chair of the committee looking into this, and they had looked at three hosting companies. There were some queries about data being held outside the UK and the implications for GDPR. Advice would be sought from the Honorary Secretary.
11. National Councillors Liaison WP stated that Peter Milburn, David Chard and John Bell would be stepping down from regions 4, 20 and 13 respectively.  
Andy Watts would take over from Richard Holland in Region 14  
Matt Bladon would take over from John Bell in Region 13.  
David McCullough would take over in Region 3 (*update – has since resigned*)  
Tom Abbott would be caretaker for Region 19  
Peter Milburn would be caretaker for Region 4  
Kevin Chard would be caretaker for Region 21  
Keith Bedford had been voted in as caretaker for Region 9, to replace Peter Walker  
Shaun Redman would replace Wynn Parry in Region 6  
Mark Gray would replace John Manley in Region 10  
Andrew Hornby would replace David Chard in Region 20  
(*Update – Rod Hamilton-King is caretaker for Region 7*)
12. International Relationships Officer AV reported that the Young Ambassador Programme (YAP) Convenor would be an honorary position on National Council, as agreed at the last National Council meeting. A resolution was being put to the AGM the following day. The incumbent could claim expenses if requested to attend a National Council meeting but would not be expected to attend every meeting.  
The next YAP tour of the UK had 10 participants, with potentially 2 more. There were 2 from the UK on outgoing tours, with 1 to India and 1 to South Africa.  
PW added that, in the spirit of international relationships, he had recently met with a 41 Clubber from Dresden, Germany, in a pub near RAF Scampton where the dambuster raids took off from.
13. Treasurer KL stated that the 2024 budget and 2022 accounts had been circulated for approval at the AGM. He had made a further £5k to Ukraine. The money had come from clubs, pin badge sales and a collection in Cardiff. KL advised all present that they could claim £180 for the weekend allowance for the weekend in Jersey, which included airport parking. They could claim for economy flights plus hold luggage. They could also claim a maximum of £19 for the transfer from the airport to the Merton Hotel and return.



SG queried what could be claimed for the National Council meeting in Stranraer. KL replied that it would be acceptable to claim for an additional night if it was not possible to arrive on time for the National Council meeting. The standard allowance is £180, as are all other National Council meetings.

14. Vice President SJ briefly discussed the Forward Planning presentation, which would be presented to the AGM the following day.
15. Secretary BE had previously circulated the draft Memorandum of Understanding between 41 Club and Tangent, setting out the procedure for dealing with any disagreements between the two associations regarding annual conferences. RS thought that a timeframe should be included, and it was suggested that this be 14 days. This was agreed by National Council (*note-this has subsequently been agreed by Tangent*) With this timescale added, the document was agreed by National Council.  
BE gave an update on the situation with Marchesi House. It was noted that the building was still unstaffed, with one member of staff having resigned and the other working from home. Telephone messages were being received and dealt with by BE, who was also dealing with returned magazines. The situation would be reviewed with Round Table after their AGM.  
BE had received a message from a club, querying why 41 Club, as a secular organisation, did not have a secular grace. DM mentioned one of his clubs had a secular version of Grace which they used. DM would forward this to BE
16. Immediate Past President PG had nothing to report.
17. National President JC thanked everyone for the support they had given him throughout his year and presented everyone with a parting gift, to ensure the hinges of friendship never rusted. JC was also presented with a gift from National Council.
18. Any Other Business None
19. Master at Alms (or Arms) Colin McKenzie ensured that no misdemeanour went unpunished.
20. Next National Council Meeting Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 at 11:00am at the Holiday Inn, Cardiff City Centre.

Signed:

Dated: 1/7/23

**Steve James – National President 2023-24**