



**41 Club**  
THE NEWSLETTER



A MEMBER OF THE ROUND TABLE FAMILY  
OF CLUBS

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## COULD YOUR CLUB HELP SAVE LIVES?

Were you a member of Round Table when over a six week period Tablers from all over the country obtained 100,000 blood samples for The Anthony Nolan Bone Marrow Trust?

Were you a Tabler when a £1million pound was donated to The Anthony Nolan Bone Marrow Trust for a new laboratory?

Now your 41 Club could help continue that work and help to save lives.

Last year at universities all over the U.K. students have been actively involved helping the Anthony Nolan Bone Marrow Trust.

A small number of students at many universities belong to what is known as Marrow Groups and last year they obtained over 12,000 registered potential Marrow Donors for Anthony Nolan, and also raised over £160,000 for the Trust.

This year the Marrow groups continue that work and aim to do better, but they need your help.

Over the coming weeks through The Anthony Nolan Trust we will be making contact with 41 Clubs to ask if your club will help the university students. This help could just simply be help with administration at Donor Events, or supply some transport or just simply be a helping hand for a few hours.

Why us? Simply our connection with Anthony Nolan and also it gives us the opportunity to help some very inspiring students who have fun helping others. A few weeks ago both your National President Jim Smith and his charity co-ordinator Ian Mackenzie were at the Marrow Group A.G.M. at Leeds University and met over 250 enthusiastic students from all over the U.K. The work they do is valuable to Anthony Nolan and as the groups get bigger support from organisations such as 41 Club become important to help the work continue. It is possible that our support could inspire some students to consider Round Table.

If contact is made with your club please try and help. That help could save a life.

Thank you.

**Jim Smith 41 National President**

**Ian Mackenzie – Anthony Nolan 41 Co-ordinator**



BE A MATCH, SAVE A LIFE

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*20th November 2014*

# NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

Just a quick reminder about the upcoming fellowship events, details of which are on the website:

Region 20 Dinner in Oxford on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November – already 120 booked in.

Red Rose Dinner at the Lancaster Brewery on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November.

The Lamb Christmas Dinner in London on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Martin Young Dinner on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January in Southend.

The Harrogate Conference early-bird discount has just finished with 488 people already booked in – this is an all time record. Still about 70 places left. We are looking for hosts for the 2017 conference and volunteers to organise two Classic

Car weekends, one in the north-west and the other in the south east – they just need a small committee of 2/3 guys to step forward – one for accommodation, one for events and one to handle the cash.

Someone also mentioned a Caravan/camping/walking weekend – any interest?

One other thing we are doing is compiling a list of speakers and fellowship events to share around, so if you have an idea you have done in your club, let me know on [fellowship@41club.org](mailto:fellowship@41club.org) and like “41club fellowship” on Facebook to receive up to date news.

**Barry Durman**  
National Fellowship Officer

# CHARITY CALENDAR 2015



**Solve a Christmas present problem and help Anthony Nolan in one easy step!**

**The 41 Club 2015 calendar is a selection of member's entries from the Annual Photographic Competition**



CALENDAR 2015

*A selection of photographs from the 2015 National Photographic Competition*

All profits from the sale of this calendar will be donated to Anthony Nolan



www.41club.org

Calendars cost £5 plus £2 p&p. To order yours please send a cheque made payable to Ray Hill to The Huntsmans Lodge, Wimboldsley, CW10 0LL.



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## LONDON REMEMBERS



I know that many people across the country have been amazed by the Poppy display that is being put together at the Tower of London in memory of those who gave their lives in the First World War. From many comments I've seen on Facebook lots of members of our 4 Associations have either visited or have said they will be visiting.

We went one stage better. After receiving an alert from Ian Mackenzie I contacted the team who were organising the volunteers to help make up and put the poppies into the display and managed to get a team of 6 of us from 41 Club to spend a morning working at the Tower. I invited some people I have known who have given a lot of time both in the past in Round Table and in 41 Club to activity in their community to join me. What a fantastic experience we had. After an early Sunday morning coffee at Starbucks we joined around 140 others for our session at 9-00am on the 19<sup>th</sup> October. After a quick video explaining how the ceramic poppies had been made and another video from a Yeoman explaining how we would be putting them together we were given a T-shirt, a pair of gloves and a box of poppies and made our way to the Pet Cemetery at the side of Traitors Gate where our group would be working. We then spent around 3 hours making up the poppies with washers and spacers in the right place and then putting them into the ground. No more than 10cm apart we were told. I'm sure some people don't know the difference between cm's and inches! The banter amongst the volunteers was great and we all had plenty of opportunity for photo's. As you will see from the picture we even had a Yeoman round to chat.

After we'd finished our shift and managed to get our way back to the office through the massed crowds with boxes of unusable poppies we were given the opportunity to wander around the moat to see all the poppies at ground level and very close quarters. They look stunning from above but at ground level look even better. Of course this was a unique experience as no members of the general public are allowed to walk in the moat gardens at any time never mind whilst the display is on. Apart from the display it was amazing to see the crowds lining the walls and viewing the poppies. Right the way round it was at least 6 deep all the time. I'm sure they wondered how we had got the opportunity to be walking where we were. Whilst doing all this of course we were mindful of the reasons for the display and the 888,246 people who gave their lives for this country during that terrible war 100 years ago.

In true 41 Club fashion our morning was finished up with a trip to the local Wetherspoons for a couple of pints and



a bite to eat. Overall a fabulous day, a unique opportunity which yet again goes to show the things we can do by having been a member of Round Table and being a member of 41 Club. Thanks to my friends and colleagues who are shown above. From left to right John Alford (Medway), John Graham (LOT's), Yeoman, Terry Douglas (Chelmsford), yours truly, Ian Slocombe (Bishop's Stortford) and Ian Mackenzie (Haverhill).

*Jim Smith*

**National President**



## 53RD WHITE ROSE DINNER

120 members representing 40 clubs enjoyed a top evening of fun and fellowship at the Met Hotel in Leeds, hosted by Bramhope 41 Club.

Music was provided by a local steel band.



Roger McCormack was winner of the Old Git award and his prize for being the oldest member present was a nice bottle of wine and a money-box to save up for his old age. (Roger is 85 years old and a member of Batley 41 Club). He promptly asked for a corkscrew and the bottle was duly demolished.

Wombwell 41 Club just pipped Horthsforth to host the 2016 White

Rose Dinner.

Organiser Paul Berry of Bramhope 41 Club and President Jim Smith can be seen getting into the action at the singsong.

Your hosts for 2015 will be The White Knights 41 Club. The date will be Friday the 16th October 2015 and the venue will be the Cedar Court Hotel in Wakefield (by junction 39 of the M1).

See you there!

**Andy Waite,**  
National Councillor Region 6



## REGION 25 PETANQUE

The inaugural Region 25 Petanque (Boules) competition was held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> October at Star Meadow Social Club, Darland Avenue, Gillingham, Kent.

Six clubs attended Chatham, Northfleet, Weald of Kent, Westerham and Whitstable which was hosted by the Medway club.



There were 36 members from the clubs in teams of three and they played two matches each.

After the game the players enjoyed a two course meal and a few drinks, renewing old acquaintances and making new ones.

The winning team was Weald of Kent C who were presented with individual inscribed glass trophies. The

last team Medway C were encouraged to take up another sport and presented with three secondhand golf balls each.



There was a raffle with two bottles of red wine as the prize. The profit from the evening went to the Anthony Nolan Appeal.

**John Alford**  
National Councillor Region 25

## NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2015

Entries are now invited for the 2015 competition. Rules and conditions:

1. Each photograph must be the work of the person entering it and entries are limited to four per member.
2. Entry is only available to members who can be verified on the CAS database.
3. Entries to be submitted electronically to [comms@41club.org](mailto:comms@41club.org).
4. All entries must include the name and club of the photographer and a title.
5. Photographs must not have been entered into any other competition.
6. The closing date for entries is 31st March 2015.
7. The photographer grants permission for the Association to use the photographs for charitable fund-raising activities.

Full details will appear in the Winter edition of The Magazine



# TEA TIMES



**October  
News  
Flash**

Joint Conference April 2015  
News from Party Tyne and Angels of the North

## Extend your stay at the Majestic Hotel

**Special offer for conference delegates to book extra nights at our discounted rate!**

Have you considered extending your Harrogate visit to a whole week or more?

We have been asked by a number of delegates already booked into the Conference if we can provide them with extra nights either immediately before or immediately after the conference.

We have now negotiated a special deal, via our booking agency, for the **Special Discounted Conference Rates** to be extended to cover the three days before and the four days after the event - you can book as many or few as you wish.

The on-line booking system doesn't carry details at present but, if you would like to spend a few extra days enjoying Harrogate and the spectacular Yorkshire countryside, you can book with one telephone call now.

Simply ring Hospitality Guaranteed - quoting "Harrogate T Party" - and ask them to add the extra dates to your existing booking.

Call now to take advantage of this special offer on:

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**... or you can join us for Afternoon Tea at Betty's**

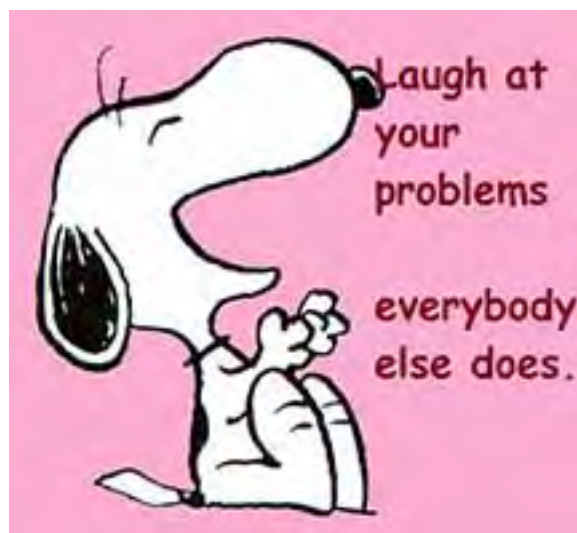
**Dress to Impress**

**Dance 'til ya drop**

One-stop bookings now on [www.41-tangent-conference2015.co.uk](http://www.41-tangent-conference2015.co.uk)

## YOU'VE GOT TO LAUGH

I LIKE RUMORS.  
I FIND OUT SO  
MUCH ABOUT  
ME THAT I  
DIDN'T EVEN  
KNOW.



## STOP PRESS

### Table 'Hanger On' Debate

For those of you who are users of LinkedIn there is a very interesting debate in two groups, both 41 Club and International Round Table, concerning 'hangers on', those overage ex-Tablers who will just not let go! They remain as 'honorary members' of Table until well into their 50s and in some cases even older. It makes interesting reading!

What are your views on this topic? Are they they saviours of Round Table or are they the reason why younger potential members decide not to join?

### The Magazine

The Winter edition of the club magazine will shortly be going to the printers and should be arriving through your letterbox before the end of November.

### National Press Awards 2015

Now is the time to start submitting your club's entries into the the National Press Awards. There are two competitions:

The David Smith Trophy for the best newsletter. To enter please send three editions that have been produced in the year 2014/15

The David Hewitt Trophy for the best web-site. Simply send a link to your website. Remember that we judge web-sites on both their interest to your members and to potential members.

Please send all entries to [comms@41club.org](mailto:comms@41club.org) before the 15th March 2015.

The results will be announced during the National AGM at Harrogate in April.