

National Council Report For the meeting on Saturday 27 June 2020 By Videoconference

NATIONAL PRESIDENT - PETER GOOD

I haven't been sitting around waiting for lockdown to finish. In this new digital world, it is so easy to keep in contact with people and run meetings.

Although we didn't have the electronic vote as planned, it is still something I believe we should have in place ready for any circumstances that could happen in the future. The system can be used for surveys and other things, not just for voting.

I have put a committee in place to look at our rules and bring them up to date for the same reason, so that electronic voting can take place and we can move forward. This will bring us in line with Round Table, who have had all their elections done very successfully using this system. Some people say that we don't need all the post filled in these times, I disagree. We should have had the vote so that the new board members were in place for our forward planning for the association to move forward.

International have registered as a none profit making charity, they had to do this in order to move the bank account from the UK to Luxemburg, my plc have had the same problem trying to open a bank account because the banks need a registered charity number. In the past we have used Round Tables, I feel we should register ourselves has there are benefits we can get from this when booking venues for events, if we are a charity we are eligible for discounts and also we may be eligible to avoid VAT, which at 20% is a large amount.

I am working very hard every night of the week and at weekends on virtual meetings with clubs around the UK, and have taken part in two International meetings. We have had three excellent speaker nights that are recorded for clubs to use for club meetings. I have opened these nights to the Four Club Family. I have found that a lot of the clubs I am on line with are having more meetings and keeping in touch with each other on a more regular basis.

The digital world is here to stay and is a useful tool for us to use in between face to face meetings. This will allow people away from home to take part in meetings.

I think the council members should be doing more online with clubs in their regions, as the feedback I have had from them is very negative but the ones that are out there on virtual are the opposite, very positive, and clubs are finding all sorts of things they can do. Keeping in touch during these times is very important. My club meet every week now because we have a few members who live alone due to split ups or losing partners, these guys find it a life line.

I am pleased that we are building a good relationship with Round Table, and Table is definitely on the way up again. They had 12 candidates for their membership officer's post, and the President's Ball sold out in less than 30 hours.

President Matt Eaton and myself have done a joint virtual meeting on one of my Thursday night sessions. We are planning to do a joint community service project within our year, and a joint board meeting.



I have collected the car from Past President Andrew, so it's now with one of my club members to do the sign writing on it or wrap, whatever it's called these days, and I will be ready to do visits as soon as we get the all clear. One of the first clubs I must visit is Feltham and Hounslow 41 Club who very kindly donated £3000.00 to my charity Dementia UK, which in lockdown is just fantastic I can't thank them enough.

The two most important assets to get us through these different times have been the digital world which is a godsend, and the 41 Club Gin to help us chill.

Stay safe everyone. See you all soon.

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NATIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT - VACANT

Vacant

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IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT - ANDREW MACKERETH

In this difficult period since the AGM was cancelled, I have attended a few Zoom meetings including the AGM of Aylsham and District Round Table who are from Norfolk, the memorial of Cormac Clancy, Dragons, my local Club and the 41 Club Board.

Tom Atkins asked me to help in getting the Board and Council pages on the website up to date. I am half way through this project and I will be in touch again soon for those who have not replied.

I have been asked to help in a review of the rules to make them more relevant for the future.

One of the roles of the Past President other than making the tea at Board meeting is to act as mentor to Board and Council. If any members of Board and Council need to talk about any problem whether 41 Club or personal please ring me anytime.

Keep Smiling

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NATIONAL SECRETARY – BERNARD ELWEN

After the last National Council meeting, which was held on the day we were supposed to have been in Cardiff at the AGM, we agreed that there would be a handover of the non-contested posts (President, Secretary and Treasurer) and that the elections for the contested posts (Vice President and NCLO) would be carried out electronically, subject to all the candidates agreeing to this. Not all the candidates did, which means the elections will be at the AGM in Aviemore.

As this year 2020-21 has been so badly impacted by the coronavirus situation, it was also agreed at the last National Council meeting that all members of National Council would have an additional year added to their period of office. This means that the National Councillors who



were due to finish their three-year period at the AGM 2020 will now be extended to 2021, if they are prepared to do this extra year. Similarly, those National Councillors who took up their positions in April 2020 will be able to complete their term in April 2024.

I have been asked to head up a small working party to review our rules and standing orders, to ensure they are fit for purpose and take 41 Club forward. This is particularly pertinent in dealing with the situation we now find ourselves in with not being able to hold a physical AGM. The working group is comprised of myself, Andrew Mackereth (Immediate Past President), David Smith (Honorary Solicitor), Roger Spensley (National Councillor Region 5) and John Kilshaw (National Councillor Region 8). There are several other things we are looking at, so we will be reporting back to National Council in due course, with a view to putting forward resolutions for the AGM in Aviemore.

Speaking of resolutions, all those tabled in the order paper for 2020 will be carried over to Aviemore 2021 (apart from Resolution 1, which has been withdrawn by the sponsors) No doubt there will be other motions submitted as the year rolls on.

I have submitted our application for our tickets for the Cenotaph Parade, although there is no certainty it will actually go ahead. We'll wait and see.

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NATIONAL TREASURER - KEVIN LOVETT

At the time of writing, less than two months in to the role and nearly 10 weeks of lock down, where the old norm has yet to become a new norm, my first Treasurer's Report will be split into three parts. What we do know, what remains the same and what we don't know.

I attach a summary of the accounts to 31 May 2020 showing the income to-date and current expenditure levels. Currently we have received 75% of anticipated Capitation from approximately 70% of Clubs. A quick analysis against last year's figures (where we have received capitation) indicates a nett fall in membership of approximately 300.

What will remain roughly the same is the administration expenses (Marchesi House), the cost of the magazine, the IT expenditure and insurance (already paid for the year) these being among the larger values.

So, what we don't know:
When we can meet again
What impact the pandemic will have on our organization
Future costs of Conferences

Clearly if we are unable to meet again this year there will be savings but this could have a huge impact on the organization and could cost more in the long run, with potential club closures and disaffiliations. The vast majority of our members are over the age of 60, hopefully the new norm will allow us to continue as before with little or no affect. You will note in the accounts that there is no cost against this year's conference, whilst Cardiff 2020 has been moved to 2022 there has been a cost for this year and this will appear later in the year, with a possible contingency for Aviemore 2021 as well.



We have a budget in place for 2021 which was approved by National Council but not yet approved at an AGM. A decision will need to be taken as to whether we continue with that budget or seek to amend it to reflect the change in circumstances. Capitation will stay at £14.50 however we need to offer even more value to our membership than before, just as Peter is doing right now with having speakers available to be accessed on-line, on the 41 Club U-tube channel.

Kevin Lovett

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NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND ROUND TABLE LIAISON OFFICER - GLEN LYON

Strange times indeed we have some of our clubs 'in hibernation' and others meeting every week on Zoom with more members attending than would be at a traditional 41 Club meeting.

Our membership team had our first virtual meet up on the 8th (hence why my report was emailed over at 23:50 hrs on the 8th!)

We have broken down the groups into 3 sub-groups each tasked with a particular area of the membership remit:

A - National Councillor Liaison Officer Tom Atkins will head up the team consisting

Region 2 – Kevin Stewart

Region 22 – Mark Hinchcliffe

Region 23 - Richard Dyson

Region 25 – Phil Douce

They will work with all the National Councillors to support them in all Membership matters, be that Affiliation of new clubs,

Re-affiliation of old clubs and in ensuring we get the opportunity to discuss with clubs considering disaffiliation before they vote on it.

B – Region 14 Jim Conway will head up the team consisting

Region 8 – John Kilshaw

Region 9 – Peter Walker

Region 12 – Rory Tompsett

Region 16 – Paul Simmons

This team of relatively recent Table retirees and OBE's will look at ways we can improve our links with and communications between 41 Club and RTBI, they will also work with RTBI's new Membership & Extension Officer Andrew Thorne to find ways we can assist them in opening / reopening new tables.

C – Membership & Round Table Liaison Officer Glen Lyon will head up the team comprising

Region 5 – Roger Spensley

Region 15 – Neal Lowe

Region 21 – Kevin Chard



This team will investigate opportunities to work with other 'service clubs' to promote the 'dual membership' of 41 Club and Masons, Rotary, Lions, R.A.O.B. and R.B.L. for Ex-Tablers.

The team will also investigate good practice of joint events / activities with the aforementioned clubs and promote these precepts and examples of positive opportunities for our recruitment of former Round Tablers. In the same vein investigations on appropriate Special Interest Groups to encourage other 'wavering' potential members.

An initial 'round the table' chat with the members of the committee brought several issues for further discussion including:

Lack of communication with many clubs some who have stopped functioning until the Covid 19 issue is resolved or some of the dining type clubs are physically unable to function, some have tried 'virtual' meetings to varying degrees of success.

The over-riding consensus was that we need to provide technical assistance to the clubs struggling to communicate via Zoom or other video conferencing again to offer some value for money for their subscriptions and to access the growing library of speaker recordings filed for clubs to use.

One thing we may have to look at is covering the premium of Zoom pro for each of our National Councillors, as they are not claiming travelling expenses the current situation.

Mark House joined us to give a very brief overview of the current project which we are launching imminently where we will send a questionnaire to each of the aged out Round Tablers from the past 5 years to give us an insight into why they have or have not joined 41 club and allow us some empirical evidence on which to base our future recruitment drives and in the meantime we may even pick up a few new members form the project.

Good News we have 3 new clubs which we would like to bring to National Council in June, they are:

Stonehaven Region 1

Alyn & Deeside XRT Region

Papers all in and ready to be presented

A little further away is the potential new club:

Brighton Regents.

The breakout rooms worked well and allowed the new groups to meet up and arrange their next meeting and then come back together as the full membership committee on 29th June at 20:00 hrs.

The question of reducing capitation was raised and the reply was we should in the first instance provide a quality and value for money programme of events and technical support to the clubs



and members which will be seen as good value by the members who will be happy to pay their £14.50 per year.

We have a letter signed by National President Peter being sent out to the 2400+ members of the association who have indicated they either don't have an email address or they have requested contact preference to be by post. The same letter will then be emailed to every member and a follow up email sent to club chairman, secretary and club contact to request information on the level of activity during the pandemic and asking if there is anything they need National to help them with in these strange times.

Glen Lyon

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NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS AND I.T. OFFICER - DONAL MULLANE

The Summer magazine is about to go to press as I write this. There is only one advert in it – the remainder is features and member benefits. That is a sign of how much has changed and how we are all responding to the change.

Deadline for articles for the Winter Magazine is 1st October 2020.

Website

See Mark's comprehensive report on the website.

Mark is looking at an alternative method of viewing the Magazine and Newsletters on the website which will enable us to more accurately track readership interest.

Overall, we are looking at launching a new Website as part of the CAS2 deliverables.

Regional Facebook Groups

Every Region now has its own Regional Facebook Group. Regional Councillors should be Moderators of their group – if you aren't, please advise and we shall seek to rectify this.

41 Club YouTube Channel

41 Club now has its own YouTube channel which we are populating with the 41 Connects Speaker Videos as and when they become available.

CAS2 Project

We regret this is running behind schedule but the results seen to date are impressive. The CAS2 Committee is having weekly Zoom calls with the Developer to drive the project on. By the time of the National Council Meeting we hope that the key deliverables of a working email system and club log-ins have been achieved; and that we have made a start on the new website.

We intend to deliver an electronic voting platform for future need, notwithstanding that the current elections have been deferred to Aviemore.

Member Support



- We would like to be able to offer support to our members by promoting their businesses.
 We recognise that this would not be appropriate in the Magazine or newsletters but we believe it would be a good use of our website.
- The intention is to offer the service to members in return for an annual donation to the National President's charity.
- Those who are able to offer a benefit to members using them shall receive additional recognition.
- Likewise, any who make a further donation to the National President's charity based upon business from our members will receive still further recognition.
- The service will be open to all current members to advertise their business.
- There will be a gateway to access the advertisements which will include a disclaimer that
 the adverts are there to assist our members and should not be taken as an endorsement
 of the businesses concerned by 41 Club.
- There will be *de minimus* vetting of adverts but they will need to be legal and will need to be registered with appropriate regulatory bodies e.g. someone won't be able to advertise heating services without appropriate qualifications.
- The aim is to assist our members with businesses AND our members looking for a service AND the National President's charity.

Donal Mullane

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NATIONAL COUNCILLORS' LIAISON OFFICER - TOM ATKINS

After serving 3 years as a councillor and 3 years as National Council Liaison Officer on "The Board", I was ready and expecting to hand over the baton to new blood at the AGM in Cardiff, which sadly due to circumstances beyond our control did not happen.

I now find myself extended until Aviemore 2021.

So a change of mindset was needed rapidly .I have reacted with renewed vigour enthusiasm for the role , trying to make sure our new councillors settle in to the role with new thinking , without club visits ,doing virtual meetings, and I am using everything in my power to fill the vacant positions in the regions where councillors have retired or moved on to other positions.

With lockdown and shielding, it is difficult for us all so after a period of being quite ill with what could have been COVID (pending an antibody test) and a couch potato, I spoke to my fitness guru Neal Lowe and decide to walk my way back to fitness. This led to a vast improvement in my mental health (as I am working from home and shielding) and have started to lose weight, helped by a change of diet.

I would like to thank everyone who has given me support and enquired about Karen's health. She is getting there, but staying in isolation all the time doesn't help. Let's hope the weather changes throughout June.

I also set up the now famous "I can walk 500 miles and I can walk 500 more", for the Presidents' charity which President Peter very quickly joined. This was followed by cajoling a few councillors to take part and now with very little pressure from others has spread far and wide, with the latest 41er to join from the Isle of Man.



I have a renewed determination to help Round Table in any way I can to grow and survive, and look at ways with the Membership Officer to re-introduce past Tablers who have not joined 41 club, to join our fellowship groups. After all we are just older Tablers at heart.

Members should look at their families and introduce their sons and grandsons to a Round Table near to them, and daughters to Ladies Circle or Tangent.

We have a fantastic group of National Councillors who are knowledgeable about Round Table and 41 club, so with their help our organisation has a long future.

Vacant regions:

I have a few contacts in Region 1, which I am working with to fill this as soon as possible.

I have Phill Ellis helping to sort Ireland out by using his local contacts.

There is interest from a 41er in Region 7 who I am working on.

I have a nomination form in for Region 11, and the Region has been notified. Steve Tasker who has been well recommended by Rory and Nick Morcumb

Bernard is trying to find me someone for Region 19, so with a good wind and a bit of good luck we may have most of these vacancies filled by the end of the year.

We have welcomed Kevin Chard into the role for Region 21, and he is now up and running, after we spent last Saturday morning on a training session.

All the other newer councillors have been through training and have taken to the role like ducks to water.

I am pleased that the newer councillors have fitted in very well, and we had a good turnout at our councillors' social night in (to be repeated)

Councillors Reports have highlighted how vulnerable we all are.

Some have done quite a lot with social media and contacting their clubs, and others have not done as much due to business commitments or personal issues with the onset of COVID.

Family and business have to come first, so I am already working with these guys to see how I can help improve communications with their clubs, with the time that they have available.

The overall analysis is that we really need to make sure we communicate with the membership on a regular basis, and in different ways, as some clubs including my own have not had an AGM this year and do not see themselves meeting until 2021.

There is a mixture of skills within the clubs, as some have taken to virtual meetings and others just have a telephone chat with their mates.

I will be working with the councillors over the next 3 months to try to improve contact with the clubs in their Regions and try to educate the club contacts / chairman in the ways of the modern world.

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICER - ANDY VENTRESS

Well, what a great year I had planned and was looking forward to being able to visit many national AGMs and continue to establish and make new friends as well as renew old friendships.

Then came CORONAVIRUS and suddenly trips to Portugal, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Italy (both the Italian AGM and International AGM) and Austria have been cancelled or postponed.

Also, later in the year the South African AGM and the International HYM in Romania have been postponed to 2021.

Unfortunately, all YAP tours for 2020 have been postponed and therefore the first YAP tour of GB&I will take place in 2021.

So other than trying to get refunds for flights etc. what have I done.? I have attended board meetings and National Council on Zoom. Also, I have been on Zoom for many of the national events, gin tasting, VE Day celebrations and a talk by Mark Wood, the explorer.

On the International side Gail & I attended the 40th charter of RT Malta No2, we all dressed up in black tie and had a pizza and drinks to help RT Malta No2 celebrate, via Zoom of course. Martyn Hartl from Italy has set up and has started to hold a regular Zoom meeting for present and past IROs on a Friday evening. I have been on 7 of these meetings at present and enjoyed the company of 25 - 30 41ers each time. It is great to hear directly from others around the world what is happening and how they are coping with the virus as well as being able to exchange information about events coming up later this year or in 2021.

I have also distributed, through the various channels, news about 41 International and the arrangements for Verona (International AGM) and Brasov (International HYM).

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NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OFFICER - STEVE JAMES

It is a surreal time as I write my report. With COVID 19 having a drastic effect on the entire world and the UK looking to return to some form of normality whatever that "new norm" may be, the last couple of months has been spent liaising with organisers of the National events debating whether they can proceed or no. My emphasis throughout discussions has been the safety of our members particularly given our age demographics. In summary we have made the right decision in postponing all National events for this year with the exception of the National golf finals which is currently under discussion My report is structured as per my areas of responsibility as follows:

Aviemore 2021

Arrangements for 2021 are well underway and are going according to plan although we are having early discussions regarding the possible impact of COVID 19 and planning any social distancing requirements that may still be in force. The AGM and conference will be held over the weekend of 16th -18th April. At the time of writing this report 166 delegates have booked in to the welcome party, 263 for the President's banquet and 260 for the final night party.

Cardiff 2022



All refunds from this year have now been completed after an extremely challenging time due to failings in the conference booking email system and the time it took to process refunds manually. I have liaised with every venue in respect of finalising conference dates and can confirm that conference will occur from Thurs 31st Mar to Sun 3rd Apr. Regular Zoom meetings has occurred with the 3 conference officers, namely Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and a first committee meeting is being arranged for July.

Jersey 2023

Due to Jersey being put back by 1 year and all hotels and venues closed we have not been able to confirm a revised conference date. A committee meeting is scheduled for 21st July and following discussions with the conference chair and seeing the Jersey exit plan it is highly unlikely that this will occur.

Liverpool 2024

I undertook a preliminary site visit in March although due to COVID 19 the conference team has not met.

International AGM and Conference 2023

International made the decision several weeks ago to "bounce" all International AGM's by 1 year so we will now host in 2023. Accordingly, I have contacted prospective venues regarding dates for 2023.

Conference Booking System

NC will recall my concerns over the legacy conference booking system that we have and it was our intention to possibly ask Carl Smally to develop something after CAS 2 had been implemented but due to the delays in CAS 2 I feel that time is ticking on and we need to have a solution for Cardiff 2022 sooner rather than later. I also wish for the system to be used for all National events bookings because presently we have an electronic system for conference and 4 different paper-based systems for the other events. We could also contemplate offering the major charter dinner organisers e.g. White and Red Rose dinners the use of the system subject to satisfactory governance arrangements in place.

I have held discussions with the IT and Comms Officer and also the Honorary Webmaster regarding possible solutions. Mark developed the 75th booking system and following some tweaks this may be a suitable proposition for 41 Club. I have therefore asked Mark to undertake a presentation of the system to our June NC meeting.

Members Benefits

One of the areas that I wanted to develop and introduce this year was a directory of members benefits and useful information that all 41 Club members could use which could be found in "one place". With a realignment of committees Wynn Parry and Peter Milburn were given the task and I am indebted to them both for developing a first draft in a matter of 2 weeks. Wynn and Peter will present the draft handbook in our June meeting, which we will circulate for comment. I will be seeking NC views on whether we send out a hard copy to each member (approx. cost of printing and distribution £6,684 equalling 56p per member or whether we send it electronically in a pdf format).

National Council Report

Classic rally



The new date for the rally in Kent for next year is 18-20th June with the base for the weekend being the 'Inn on the Lake', Shorne.

Bike Rally

The new date for the rally is 9-11th July at the Dragonfly hotel Kings Lynn.

Caravan and Camping Rally

A new date has not been decided upon yet but the venue will remain as Hardwicke Parks Oxfordshire

NSSW

As NC are aware, we have received 4 bids to host next year's event. All attendees of last year's event have bene emailed asking to select their top 2 preferences based on the summary of each bid. I will be able to announce the preferred venue in our meeting on 27th.

National Golfing event

I am liaising with Peter McBride over the event and whether this can proceed given the easing of restrictions relating to playing golf, although we may have to review the playing format. The event is fully subscribed and the planned is Sunday 3rd to Monday 4th October 2020 at Marriot Forest of Arden hotel and Country Club.

National Council meetings

The October meeting will occur on Saturday 3rd October and presently I am unable to confirm whether this will occur virtually or in person.

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REGION 1 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – CARETAKER- KEVIN STEWART

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REGION 2 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – KEVIN STEWART

All clubs within both regions have been emailed with an update of what happened at the last council meeting and any changes thereafter.

Club chairmen were contacted regarding AGM dates and meetings going forward,

AGMs attended via Zoom:

- North Berwick
- Linlithgow
- Troon



Larbert & Falkirk

Meetings attended via Zoom;

- Larbert and Falkirk Quiz night
- Linlithgow Catchup
- NC Catchup night
- Membership committee

A very good *Meet the President* meeting was held over Zoom with 36 members on the call from all over Scotland, which represented a 1/3 of the clubs.

Quiz night arranged for later in June for all clubs in Region 1 and 2

The golf day due to be held in August has been cancelled for obvious reasons and has now been rescheduled for August 2021

I will continue to promote Aviemore Conference 2021

I am working on a bid for NSSW 2022 at Crieff Hydro

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REGION 3 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – VACANT

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REGION 4 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – PETER MILBURN

With the ongoing unprecedented situation that we have all being living through in the last few months the opportunity to visit any of our Clubs in person has been out of the question even meeting members of my own club has been more by accident than design.

However as with all things we have adapted to the change in circumstances and personally have done my best to try and maintain some interaction with the Clubs within Region 4.

I have attempted to contact all clubs in the region by phone initially to pass on information as it transpired regarding our new officers and the situation of those positions not yet voted on.

In addition, information was forwarded regarding the possibility of using the GoogleMeets facility for free online club meetings and more recently to promote the Region 4 Facebook page (26 members at time of writing).



I have produced a newsletter which I have forwarded to all club contacts highlighting the recent events and those upcoming, and have indicated that I hope to do this quarterly as in other regions and also issue more frequent bulletins or news items on the Facebook page.

I have indicated that we will be having an online social evening at the beginning of July, and have asked for suggestions and possible hosts for a similar event in August and September.

The newsletter also asked for items for future National Magazine since as a region we rarely contribute and so I've asked for items that show areas where our clubs are going that bit extra to help their communities in these difficult times

So far my own Club hasn't really got the online idea off the ground but several current members including myself have taken the opportunity to reach out to past members or lapsed members who were our peers and invite them for an 'online beer and a catch up', this may result in their returning to the club when this situation is over with.

Personally, I have also been involved in trying to create a 41 Club Handbook in conjunction with Wynn Parry and Steve James, which we hope will come to fruition soon and may include some additional member benefits if the current leads develop positively.

Peter Milburn

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REGION 5 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – ROGER SPENSLEY

Clubs Contacted:

All twice via mailing list both to introduce myself and send around National President's message.

Ribble & Lune - attended two meetings via Zoom.

Lytham – attended Zoom speaker meeting

Rawtenstall – attended Zoom meeting

Old Parts - via e-mail. Attended one meeting and standing invite to return,

Clitheroe - encouraged them to start Zoom meetings and attended the first one

Blackburn Greys – via e-mail and promise of an invite when they start meeting.

Kirkham and Rural Fylde - via e-mail response received but I haven't manged to attend a meeting yet.

Still fielding many, many e-mails on CAS 1 / 2 and clubs' inability to log on. This needs to be sorted asap.

Not done any newsletters yet due to lack of material.

Facebook page up and running, invited all to join and many have but it requires content.

Working on setting up cluster meetings.



Perceived problems: I am covering two old RTBI Areas – 34 and 21. I know and am known in area 34 so this won't be a problem but I do not know am not known in Area 21 and need to break into this area.

Roger Spensley region5@41club.org

REGION 6 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – WYNN PARRY

I have contacted most clubs in the Region via telephone and managed to have conversations with representatives from these clubs to determine how they are enduring the terrible pandemic we are all going through.

Most clubs are not meeting officially, very few are using virtual meetings Zoom etc, etc.... This is primarily due to the age demographic of the membership in Region 6. I have been assured that they will recommence meetings once they can do so.

I have attended several of my own club, Shipley's meetings, one of which was attended by our National President, who inducted a new member into our club. I have attended a couple of virtual meetings with Horsforth 41 Club and I am scheduled to virtually meet with Bramhope 41 Club soon.

I will be contacting all the clubs again via the telephone before the of June, to check how they are coping and to try and find a way to virtually join them for a meeting.

I will be producing my quarterly newsletter at the end of June.

A new region 6 Facebook group has been created, currently with about 60 members and I have created a Facebook group for Shipley 41 Club, with about 10 members.

I have advertised all of the National Presidents Thursday Night Zoom meetings throughout the Region and have attended most of them myself.

During the last 3 months, I have not been idle. I have been working behind the scenes on the following:

- CAS2 Testing
- Production of the members Handbook with Steve James & Peter Milburn, which is hoped to be shown to the Board and Council at the June meeting
- I have produced the May National newsletter
- I have produced the June quarterly National magazine with Don Mullane
- I am currently producing the June National newsletter
- I have been trying to determine if Captain (Colonel) Sir Tom Moore was in fact a Keighley Round Tabler, unfortunately with limited success. I managed to track down a 90-year-old former 41er, but he could not remember meeting Tom

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REGION 7 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – VACANT

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REGION 8 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – JOHN KILSHAW

I have set up a Region 8 Facebook page and post updated from the President along with speaker events which are on Zoom and any 41 Club events that are going to run within the Region

Two emails to all the clubs in region, one in April and one in May

Throughout June I have been ringing the clubs to confirm contact details

So far, the clubs I have had communication from are

- Bootle and Crosby
- Chorley Rural
- Formby
- Isle of Man
- IOM Prospect
- Leigh
- Leyland
- Rainford
- Warrington
- Widnes
- Woolton

I have attended 2 AGMs, both via Zoom, I have offered help to all the clubs when it comes to setting up virtual meetings however most have either set themselves up or are not bothering to meet until lockdown is over

We have had a quiz that was attended by the President and 5 clubs were represented, the follow up quiz in June was attended by 4 clubs within region

The Facebook group Follicley Challenged Chefs has 16 members of Region 8 from 8 clubs

I intend to run a cluster meeting in September / October if we are out of lockdown

Currently I am helping with the rule book review and I am on the membership committee



Although we cannot physically visit clubs, I am enjoying the role and speaking to the clubs, that have communicated with me

John Kilshaw region8@41club.org

REGION 9 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR - PETER WALKER

41 Club is very quiet in Lincolnshire at the moment. I have been in touch with all the clubs via email and some by telephone. Nobody is holding any meetings online and despite offering to set up Zoom meetings, I am finding that when people are working long hours to keep companies afloat and holding business meetings online, the last thing they want to do is to join another online meeting in the evening. Quite honestly, I know how that feels on the basis my work involves me attending at least 3 or 4 online meetings every day.

I have updated some of the contact details for members where emails were bouncing back and await responses from a couple of clubs to ensure CAS is as up to date as it can be. Some of the clubs don't help themselves with one club informing me that the reason one members emails were bouncing back is that he had passed away – over a year ago!

Members in my region have taken part in enough guizzes to last them a lifetime and most appear to have put 41 Club on hold until the rules surrounding meeting face to face are relaxed.

Despite my computer denying me access for long periods, I have now managed to join Facebook and the 41 Club group for our region. As a complete Facebook novice, I now need to get my head around how it works and hopefully use it to keep in touch with other members. However, on the basis of the lack of any activity, there is very little regional news to share either on FB or via a newsletter.

Peter Walker

region9@41club.org

REGION 10 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – JOHN MANLEY

News E-mails

5th April – about plans to replace Cardiff AGM or not with virtual. Encouraged clubs to do virtual meetings

8th April – Updated the region on Google hangout

10th May – Push on Region 10 FB page, Update on CAS2 telling clubs to contact Don if they didn't have a log in. Pushing the national Presidents Facebook updates.

Various updates on the 500 miles plus 500 more challenge – emails and Facebook

Events

Cancelled two Region 10 real world meetings due to C-19. Tour of JLR new show room in Derby and charity golf day

Postponed Area 14 past area chairman dinner to hopefully later in the year

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Meetings

16th April Worksop meeting cancelled

23rd April Trial Zoom meeting with Derby Merlin 41 Club which worked

1st May National Councillors night in

7th May Region 10 Zoom meeting – 6 clubs joined

14th May Loughborough 3G AGM

26th May Leicester St Martins 41 weekly catchup

9th June Zoom region 10 meeting – Quiz

John Manley region10@41club.org

REGION 11 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR - VACANT

Vacant

region11@41club.org

REGION 12 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – RORY TOMPSETT

25th May 2020 - Emailed to All Members in Region 12 with a brief introduction of who I am and my Round Table and 41 Club Career to date – requested an update on Clubs/ members activities - offered to join, help and support any Club Virtual Meetings.

The Region 12 Facebook page has been regularly updated – I will be using this more and emailing all members to like the page so as to be used to update more visually. This will also allow National Events to be easily broadcast such as the amazing Speakers recently on Zoom.

Alyn & Deeside XRT

Created a Facebook page

https://www.Facebook.com/Alyn-Deeside-XRT-41-Club-Past-Round-Tablers-Club-110524430646157

Application for the Charter of a New Club for the Deeside Area - aimed at the younger Table Retiree that is keen to stay very active and not just join a Dinner Club – aimed at Complimenting the existing Deeside 41 Club and the 2 Clubs to share some members.

<u>Anglesey</u>

Anglesey 41 Club.

We have had a shut down but our AGM should have been the third Wednesday in April which obviously was unable to physically proceed. The outgoing chair Jon Mendoza contacted



members to get their agreement to the "virtual" hand over to the new club officials with the intention to officially have the AGM when we can all get together again.

Consequently, our new Chairman Is Hugh Japheth

Vice Chairman Tom Woodward (Last year 's Secretary), I also act

as link co-ordinator.

Secretary Huw Roberts

Treasurer Jon Mendoza

We have not yet trialled a Zoom Meeting, quite a few of us are getting on and not very comfortable with computer technology. But some of us will trial a Zoom to see how it goes. We cannot publish our Programme until COVid restrictions in Wales are relaxed by Welsh Government so we are in a state of limbo at present.

I trust this is sufficient at the moment.

Yours in Friendship

Tom Woodward

Birkenhead

For your reference, contacts are as follows:

Bryan Fisher: President Mobile: 07764 692672 home: 0151 653 0614

Paul Hastie: Treasurer Mobile: 07971 248911 home: 0151 342 5162

David Mabuti: Secretary Mobile: 07484 648392 home: 0151 336 3528

We have not had an AGM yet, so for the moment, the three of us are continuing in our posts for the foreseeable future, anyway!!

We look forward to having contact with you in the future and once all this awful Corona pandemic is cleared and we are able to mix once again, we look forward to welcoming you to a Birkenhead 41 Club meeting.

David Mabbutt

Secretary: Birkenhead 41 Club

Caernarfon

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Deeside & District

Attended several Zoom Meetings 8th & 22nd April - both very well attended – 23 Attendees

Virtual AGM 6th May 2020 – Wayne Brown handed Chairmanship over to Paul Hewins

Regular Monthly Virtual Meetings Planned and very good grasp of Zoom App.

 3^{rd} June 2020 – Virtual Meeting - I was out walking for #500plus500more4Aviemore – Whilst in attendance – Chairman Paul Hewins invited everyone to update what they had been up to



- mostly staying in seemed to be the order of the day! Great to see 89 yr Old Ennis Hall back in the Club after a 9-year hiatus.

Denbigh & District

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Dragons (Cheshire)

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Dwyfor (Pwllheli)

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Heswall XRT

Attended Heswall XRT AGM – John Lea handing over to Chairman Steve Tasker – very well attended evening

Attended Speaker Night 21st April – Blood Bikes Speaker Night – an interesting evening as I attended on Zoom whilst out walking for #500Miles+500More4Aviemore Charity Walk! Well attended Zoom meeting- 18 Attendees

Beer Tasting Night planned for June 2020.

Holyhead & District

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Hoylake & West Kirby 41 Club

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact - No Reply

Llandrindod

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Llangollen

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Neston & District

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Newtown & District

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Oswestry & District

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Rhyl & District

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact



Lawrence Bamber replied - Rhyl have temporarily shut down, but Sec AG keeps members up to date with emails, and has also provided a couple of webinars from previous speakers! They don't have Facebook so are not up to date with some of the National Virtual Speaker Nights.

Wallasey

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact - No Reply

Welshpool

Hi Rory,

I am not looking at my emails as much as I should due to the weather. Too nice to be sat on a computer. (and uncomfortable).

However, I am just getting back to you to advise you that I am still the secretary for Welshpool 41 Club and their contact with the rest of the world.

I have not yet updated the CAS but our Chair has changed and is now Hugh Williams.

I have a note to amend our records and will do so shortly.

In friendship,

Dave.

Wrexham

11th March 2020 - Attended a Club Night with Past Area 36 Chairman and Current members of Area 36 Executive to look at restarting Wrexham Round Table – great Night with Chairman Albert Ellison and 12 No 41 Club Members all very enthused with the prospect of Wrexham RT restarting and keen to help.

Ynys Cybi - Holy Island

Emailed Chairman/ Secretary and Club Contact for update and contact – No Reply

Rory Tompsett region12@41club.org

REGION 13 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – JOHN BELL

I hope everyone is well during this time. As I am self-employed my business is currently not running and I have been working as a Temporary Porter in a local Cancer Hospital which has limited my time.

I am pleased to see many Region 13 members joining the Region13 Facebook page, staying in touch and sharing stories and fun posts. I plan to contact clubs in my region over the next few weeks and join them in online activities they have planned.

I joined in with the 75th VE Day Celebrations online organised by Marcus Jones and had a virtual catch up with Cambrian 41 club with quiz and virtual escape rooms organised by members.



REGION 14 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – JIM CONWAY

Due to COVID, no club visits have been conducted. The following activity has been conducted online.

<u>Date</u>	Region / Club	Event / Visit	Members Attending	A-O-B / News
03/04/20	National Council	Quiz Night	30	-
04/04/20	National Council	Meeting	30	-
09/04/20	Meet Peter Good	Meeting	35	-
13/04/20	Birmingham Jewellery Quarter RT	AGM	12	-
16/04/20	Chester Club	Meeting	12	-
17/04/20	OBE	AGM	18	-
30/04/20	Meet Peter Good	Meeting	35	-
01/05/20	National Council	Meeting	30	-
07/05/20	41 Club Remembers	Meeting	40	Meeting Host
08/05/20	OBE	Meeting	12	-
12/05/20	LOTS	Meeting	20	-
13/05/20	Round Table	Meeting	30	-
15/05/20	Patpong VRT	Meeting	12	-

Jim Conway region14@41club.org

REGION 15 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – NEAL LOWE

	No virtual visits since March
May 2020	Founder member of Walk 500 miles and walk 500 more
April 2020	Attended Northampton 41 club virtual AGM
May 2020	Hosted a virtual meeting of my own club Nuneaton
May 2020	Joined National Councillors Social Evening on Teams



REGION 16 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – PAUL SIMMONS

Having been confirmed onto the National Council to represent Region 16, unfortunately not at our AGM but under lockdown, it has been a challenging start to my tenure.

After an initial notification sent out by Tom to all members of clubs within the region, I followed it up with a personal message introducing myself, asking if clubs were still meeting virtually, passing on current information from National and asking for initial thoughts and feedback for the region and national.

After these initial notifications there has been a mixed response from the clubs. 7 of the clubs within the region did not respond. From those that did respond 1 (Ely) had already held their AGM and decided they were going to become unaffiliated. Having chatted with them the reasons given concerned the age demographic of its members, no RT in Ely to recruit from and a lack of support from National. Whilst, I am able to do little to change the first two elements of their concerns I can the third. It is here that I feel is my biggest challenge, especially under lockdown, to build the profile and support to the region, something that I can agree has been lacking for Region 16 over recent years.

Of the other clubs that responded only one is currently holding virtual meetings, Stamford XT. They held their only meeting, during this period, on 7 May 20 which I was able to join. They gave me the opportunity to talk about my thoughts for the Region and they want to support National by attending the event at Nottingham in October, if it still goes ahead.

The others (Bedford, Peterborough, St. Neot's, Stamford St.Martin's) are delaying AGM's, if they have not already occurred, and not meeting currently.

Having received no response from a number of clubs, I sent targeted emails to those particular clubs which has brought about a response from Cambridge. They are not meeting currently, have delayed their AGM but did send through me a newsletter of what they had been up to recently. Whilst, Stamford did not get back to me I did receive an email from a family friend to their only contact with National saying that he had passed away in 2018. This has been addressed, with Don Mullane, and the individual has been removed from the list. I have also tried to open up channels with another member of to find out if they still wish to remain in communication and affiliated, seeing they haven't paid their subs for the last couple of years.

The remaining 5 I am planning to continue to communicate with, through different means, to find out how they are getting on and find out why there has been a lack of response. I will update in the next report.

Overall, this has been a frustrating time for me taking over a Region with no handover and under current government restrictions. I will continue to engage with those that have responded and look to open channels to those that have not.

Known members who have passed away during the period.

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John Scotney – Stamford 41 Club (October 2018)

Paul Bullock – Peterborough 41 Club (April 2020)



REGION 17 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – KELLY CLARKE

I will be the first to put my hand up and say I have not had much contact with clubs I have sat in on a few virtual meetings and partook in a chefs challenge but I am afraid my priorities have been reading government advice and implementing things to keep my business safe and trading through the whole pandemic as the only person at work I am afraid 41 club has had to take a back seat.

I have tried to get my region interested in the video call but keep hearing the same thing I am talking to my family and it is all a bit much, however on a good point I think it is now getting close to 10 members I have persuaded to join the 41 club members forum on Facebook which as I have explained to them there is a lot of information and banter.

Kelly Clarke region17@41club.org

REGION 18 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – MARK HOUSE

For this period, I have been mainly assisting clubs in helping them meet. I have sent clubs emails and newsletters with news and ideas on meetings. I had offered to run a region-wide quiz, but this got a zero response from my mails.

I have set up and attended online meetings with Leigh-on-Sea and Southend 41 Clubs – these have included guizzes and beer tasting.

I have also added content to the Facebook Group for Region 18, as well as advertising the National Events that have been put on.

I have sought news items and also shared news from across different groups in the region.

Mark House region18@41club.org

REGION 19 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR - VACANT

Vacant region19@41club.org

REGION 20 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – DAVID CHARD

National Council Report



The past few months from the lockdown have been very difficult for me personally, primarily through business, as I am sure is the case with many others. As a result, I have not been as active in 41 Club as I would have wished.

However, I have tried to keep in touch with as many clubs as possible. I have issued 2 regional updates listing primarily cancelled events by also updating on national decisions and requests such as the offer from the board members, plus my own offer to attend any clubs virtual AGM's – that sadly resulted in spectacular failure – not receiving one reply – I can understand why they may not have wanted my involvement – but not the National Board!

Moving to other virtual meetings and events.

I attended the 4th April on-line National Council meeting, plus the1st May NC social.

My own club Reading Valley Veterans has held its regular monthly meetings including AGM when all positions changed15/3,14/4, 13/5 and next meeting 20/6. There have also been online social events 8/4, 22/4, 27/5.

I was invited to and attended ISIS meeting on the 14th April and then attended their AGM on 12th May and have been invited to their next meeting 10th June.

I have received no other invites and although I am aware of no problems, I do believe clubs are coping in their own way.

David Chard

region20@41club.org

REGION 21 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – KEVIN CHARD

Thornbury Round Table and Thornbury 41 Club held a very successful joint charter dinner at Berkeley Castle at the start of February, raising £5,000 for the Nelson Trust, which helps people to overcome addiction and trauma.

Cirencester Round Table and Cirencester 41 Club held a successful dinner at the Agricultural College at the end of February, attended by the Round Table President and the 41 Club President and other dignitaries. The £500 raised on the night went to Prostate Awareness.

The Severn Vale Dinner was again held on the first Thursday of March with the 41 Club President in attendance. A small surplus built up from the last three years dinners has been split between three charities – one in Malvern, one in Stroud and one in the Forest of Dean.

The Regional Golf completion due to take place on Tuesday 14 July has had to be cancelled due to Covid-19. Ian Brodie/Cricklade & Highworth 41 Club has however kindly booked next year's tournament on Tuesday 13th July 2021.

The Regional Skittles tournament is all set to go ahead when we have the green light to meet again. All Clubs have the draw and the rules.

The Region 21 Quiz, where Downend 41 Club will be the quizmasters, has been postponed. This will be re-arranged when we are clear to meet again.



REGION 22 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – MARK HINCHLIFFE

Report awaited

Mark Hinchliffe region22@41club.org

REGION 23 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – RICHARD DYSON

No doubt in common with most of the Association, the advent of Coronavirus has had a dramatic effect on the style of the Clubs' activities over this period.

In February, soon after the pandemic began to take hold, the initial reaction around much of the patch seemed to be a "let's wait and see" attitude, many members not believing that the problem would be with us for long, more a temporary blip that we could ride out. There didn't seem to be a great appetite of needing to change our routines.

As things started to change, and the virus took hold, many 41ers accelerated their realisation that we were not going to be able to remain as planned, and began exploring what that changes might be.

The biggest effect without doubt is the dramatic reliance on Zoom that has suddenly become everybody's best friend, embracing many of those who didn't previously really use technology to it now being a huge means of communication around the patch.

Most clubs have either adopted Zoom, or are planning to. Zoom meetings have sprung up all over, meetings are being held regularly, with other "virtual entertainment" including quiz nights, film nights, speaker meetings, walks, Facebook groups etc.

Members who have not been seen for ages have been dipped their foot in the water, joined in and like what they find.

The future is looking bright

Emails sent to Region 23 Club Chairmen, Secretaries, Club Contacts

- Information requested on planned Zoom meetings and AGMs
- Ringwood & District responded saying planned a Zoom AGM to which National President Peter attended
- Many clubs which earlier indicated that they planned to restrict communication to email are now considering other means of meeting
- Detail circulated about Regional golf competition and annual quiz night

Communication circulated:

• The 'Join the National President' event on 7 May



- The National VE Day celebrations on May
- Region 23 Golf competition postponement from July to 2 Sept
- Regional quiz date postponed for the time being

Emails to all individual Region 23 Club members reminding them of:

- The National Speaker event with Sally Kettle 29 May National Gin Cocktail evening 12 June
- Look out for a regular programme of National activities
- Change in plan for Conference voting

Joined Club Zoom meetings:

- Ringwood & District Club evening 21 April
- Ringwood & District VE Celebrations 8 May
- Ringwood & District Club AGM 19 May Peter Good in attendance
- Shaftesbury & Gillingham Club Quiz Night on 28 May
- Christchurch Club Speaker Meeting on 2 June
- Showtime Club meeting 4 June

Attended National Zoom meetings:

- Virtual Council meeting 4 April
- 41 Club Councillors meeting 1 May

Other:

- Region 23 Facebook page, beginning to raise interest
- Recently complimented by two clubs for improved channels of communication!

Future:

Seeking invitations to join other Club activities

Richard Dyson

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REGION 24 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR - PETER McBRIDE

Date	Region /	Event / Visit	Members	A-O-B /
	Club		Attending	News
5/2/20	Crowborough	Club meeting @ Boar's Head Inn, Crowborough. They have a number of 'honorary members' who were not ex-Tablers and were supportive of 'managed open membership' to sustain 41 Clubs.	18	
19/2/20	Wallington & Carshalton (own Club)	Club meeting @ Windsor Castle, Carshalton	17	



9/3/20	Walton & Weybridge	Club meeting (lunchtime) @ Hersham Golf Club. Low formality, no grace or jewels	14	
18/3/20	Wallington & Carshalton (own Club)	Club meeting @ Windsor Castle, Carshalton	18	
8/4/20	Kingston AGM	(Virtual meeting) Formal AGM business meeting.	23	
19/4/20	Caterham AGM	(Virtual meeting) Formal AGM meeting. Interestingly, everyone decided that in these virtual and challenging times, all officers would stay in their roles for another year.	25	
20/5/20	Wallington & Carshalton (own club)	(Virtual AGM) Formal AGM business meeting	22	
28/5/20	Holbrook Over 41	(Virtual meeting) 'Top Fives' – everyone nominated their top five Singles and shared why they were important to them.	14	
1/6/20	Camberley	(Virtual meeting) A 'Grand Debate' with two teams that proposed for and against the motion "Hadrian's Wall should be rebuilt". Scorecards were issued prior to the meeting along with St George and St Andrews flags, which were displayed at the end of the debate. I'm pleased to say that the motion was defeated!	24	

Regional Events

Date	Event	Members Attending
13/3/2	Region 24 Annual Dinner – @ Reigate Manor Hotel, Reigate.	64
0	National President Andrew Mackereth attended, along with Guest Speaker John Spence OBE. The Dinner was held the week prior to lockdown happening, so just got it in before meetings were banned.	
	As the Covid-19 virus concerns were increasing across the Country, over 20 members cancelled within the final week but we still ended up with a decent attendance. A cheque for £500 was presented to Andrew for his charity RNLI.	

National Events

Date	Event	Members
		Attending



3/4/20	(Virtual) National Council meeting – 'test' Zoom meeting	32
1/5/20	(Virtual) National Councillors 'Night In'	28
	IT & Comms Committee – attended weekly CAS2 progress meetings	

National Councillor Diary - Planned for the next three months

Date	Event	Members Attending
27/6/20	(Virtual) National Council meeting	32

I have sent out requests to around 20 Clubs requesting to attend their virtual Club meeting s and am awaiting responses.

Additional Notes/Comments:

Region 24 Newsletter '24 Ours' - April 2020 edition

The April edition was posted on my Region 24 webpage and the link posted to all Region 24 members. Click on the above link to access the Newsletter.

Region 24 Facebook Group

I established this on 8th April and have 33 members to date. I've mass-emailed all Club Contacts and Chairmen asking them to share within their own Club membership. Not everyone is on or even likes Facebook and it has been challenging getting 'traction' and Club contributions initially but I'm persevering! Click on the above link to access the group.

2020 National Golf Finals

The 2020 National Golf Finals are still scheduled for Sunday 4th and Monday 5th October 2020 at the Marriott Forest of Arden Hotel & Country Club, Birmingham. All 32 tee slots have been filled and I've requested 8 additional tee times to accommodate previous interest.

I will obviously keep an eye on things as time progresses...

Peter McBride

region24@41club.org

REGION 25 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – PHILIP DOUCE

Very little by the way of invitations to club Zoom meetings within the region.

Attended City of Rochester AGM in March, and participated with Invicta 41's AGM via Zoom in April.

All planned local 41 & RT events on the calendar have been cancelled or postponed.



I was due to be attending the 41 Club International AGM in Verona this weekend, which has also been postponed.

Philip Douce

region25@41club.org

HONORARY ARCHIVIST – HUGH MILWARD

Not much to report this period. I have been unable to visit Marchesi House to archive any material.

The summer edition of the magazine will contain a larger than normal obituary section, albeit not all down to coronavirus.

Hugh Milward

archivist@41club.org

HONORARY SOLICITOR - DAVID SMITH

The current emergency measures have made it obvious that the Association's Constitution does not adequately provide a solution where, for example, it is not possible to hold any formal meeting, Annual or otherwise. Whilst the Council has been able to informally congregate electronically no definitive decisions can be reached exemplified by the inability to hold elections for two Board positions. It seems clear that our Rules and Standing Orders will need to be changed to cover any repetition of present circumstances.

I have been pleased to advise the Board when asked to do so regarding procedures in the light of Lockdown measures where they impact on the Association's business. My personal view is that where possible we should take advantage of all IT opportunities where they benefit the Association provided that no member is prejudiced by any of them.

David Smith

solicitor@41club.org

HONORARY WEBMASTER- MARK HOUSE

It has been a whirlwind first couple of months with learning about how the website works and making updates to it. I'd like to thank both Ray Hill who has been extremely generous with his time to show me how it all works, and also to Don, who has also offered great support and guidance around some topics I am getting up to speed with.

In the main, my time has been spent:

- Making updates to different board and council member profiles
- Adding News and Events to the site and home page, including links to newsletters etc
- Supporting members, clubs and councillors with their pages

HOME PAGE RESTRUCTURE



I have taken the liberty of reorganising the home page sections so that they follow an order. I am hopeful that this cleans up the experience for visitors, and the homepage now follows the order of:

TOP SECTION- Latest News - Top Left and Right of the Page

SECOND SECTION - The latest newsletters and magazines

THIRD SECTION - The latest Events

FOURTH SECTION - All about 41 club and information about national meetings and activities

If anyone has any views about these reorganisation or other ideas on how to structure the page, they would be much appreciated.

41 CLUB CONNECTS NATIONAL EVENTS

As well as spending time on the site, I have been supporting Don, Steve and the PLC and their teams through building content and offering general support for the various online events. These have all been fantastic to date and have been a pleasure to be able to join and offer help to.

MEMBERS BENEFITS / FRED. OLSEN

Working with Mike Foley, we have re-worked the main benefit page for FRED. OLSEN, and also created a new page that shares the latest news that they share so that all of this is in one, easily accessible place. This work has only just been completed, and we will track any feedback we get.

The members area now has a direct link from the home page (in SECTION 4), and the members benefits page has also been reorganised a little to try and make it simpler to find benefits.

I can see from past reports that news was in short supply for the site - I have been lucky that in lockdown that people have been moving more online, but I will always welcome any news or pretty much any other content to the site so that we can keep informing and inspiring members around the UK and beyond.

WEBSITE STATISTICS

Please refer to Appendix B below to see the website statistics for the period 1st March to 31st May

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Appendix A: Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020

The Association of Ex-Round Tablers' Clubs

as at Income & Expenditure Account 31/05/20

		2020		2019
	Budget	Outturn	Budget	Outturn
INCOME				
Capitation	204,450	153,974	217,500	206,087
Bank interest	400	120	1,000	1,178
Less Corporation Tax				-224
Sales profit	2,000	800	2,000	3,770
Other Income	3,000	1,000	3,000	5,260
	209,850	155,894	223,500	216,071
EXPENSES				
Administration - Marchesi House	28,800	13,000	29,000	29,016
Printing & stationery	900	361	1,000	938
IT systems	16,000	5,000	17,000	15,414
Cost of annual general meeting	5,000	600	5,000	4,895
Presidential expenses - home	16,000	3,670	17,000	18,732
Presidential expenses -	10,000	0,070	17,000	10,702
international	4,000		4,000	2,469
President's car	5,000	1,447	5,000	2,315
Vice-President exp - home	1,200	300	1,000	1,099
International Officer's expenses	7,000	3,000	7,000	7,015
41 International subscription	9,000	,	9,500	8,744
Ceremonials	1,500		•	2,517
Fellowship Officer's expenses	3,200	500	2,500	2,040
Cost of conference	5,000		5,000	4,663
Membership database	12,800	10,000		
Magazine printing	36,000	13,031	37,000	38,163
Council meetings	31,000	6,000	31,000	31,845
Board & other meetings	4,400	1,000	4,000	5,056
Club visits by councillors	8,000	1,000	8,000	6,185
Insurance	10,000	10,438	10,000	10,141
Gifts, awards & jewels	2,000		2,000	1,474
Accountancy fees	1,100	100	1,000	1,156
Sundries	1,200		1,000	957
Obsolete stock written down				
Depreciation	1,200	500	12,000	215



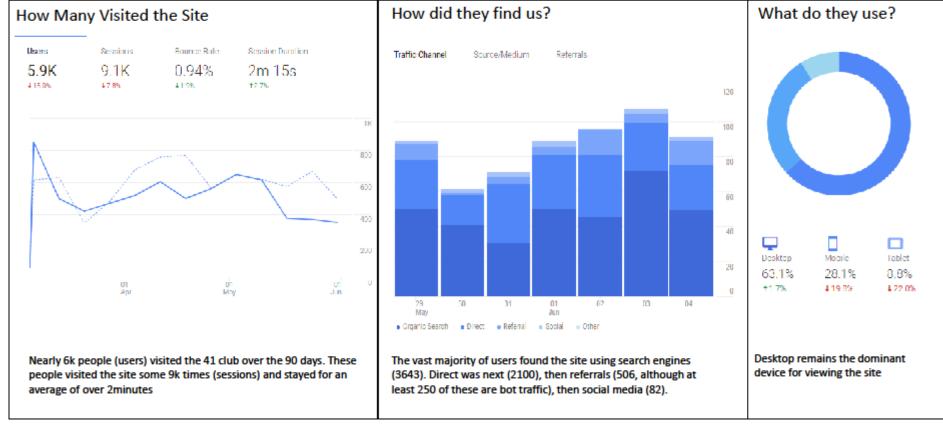
Membership promotion NCLO training & development Millennium Way	5,000 3,000	600	5,000 4,000	5,202 1,871
CSLO projects Archives	2,000 900	150	4,000 1,500	1,445 923
	221,200	70,697	223,500	204,490
General fund surplus/(deficit)	-11,350	85,197		11,581



Appendix B



WEBSITE STATS OVERVIEW 1ST MARCH 2020 - 31 MAY 2020





National Council Report