



**National Council Meeting
Saturday 24th June 2017
King Charles Hotel, Brompton Road
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NATIONAL PRESIDENT – Dave Campbell

President's Report – June 2017

It's now 8 weeks since National Conference and I've hit the ground running! On my way back home from Blackpool I visited Norwich 41 Club where I was made very welcome. Later that week I was proud to go to South Africa to represent GB & I at the 41 Club International Conference. With my International background, it was a wonderful opportunity to rekindle friendships with many 41'ers from around the world and to meet representatives from new member countries. A quick visit to Calpe 41 Club Charter followed where I enjoyed the fellowship and sunshine!

I visited Northfleet 41 Club which is in my region and was pleased to be accompanied by Phil Douce. My next trip was a great day out with Invicta 41 Club when they arranged their 'Jolly Boys Outing' to Brooklands Museum, the home of Motorsport, Aviation and Concorde. With only boys allowed, I was accompanied by my six-year-old grandson who loved the occasion. (A clever way to get the youngsters interested in RT!)

The next day, I had the pleasure of attending Barry's thank you lunch arranged for his drivers and helpers. A relaxed and friendly afternoon in the garden of Rex and Rosemary Smith, again, an opportunity to meet 41 Club members from the Midlands area.

VP Phil visited me towards the end of May and we were able to discuss detailed plans for the year ahead and share ideas.

My next trip was to Northallerton in Yorkshire where again I was made to feel welcome and enjoy the fellowship and friendship.

Pauline & I attended the Classic Car weekend which was superbly organised by Ray Hill and Ian Burnett. One member, Graham Renshaw-Smith, from Sheffield Riverdale 41 Club kindly chauffeured us around in his 1963 Open top Rolls Royce Silver Cloud III Mulliner - we felt like royalty!

This year I want to encourage the development of new clubs that will appeal to the generation of Tablers who are reaching the retirement age of Round Table, particularly where no club currently exists or where current clubs may have a less active programme. I was delighted to Charter Danum 41 Club just prior to the AGM and inducted 13 new members who had recently left Round Table.





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My charity this year is The Prince's Trust and I would be grateful for your support for this worthwhile cause that works with youngsters who may be disadvantaged in so many ways. I have a Just Giving page (<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Dave-Campbell-41clubpresident>) that is linked to the Prince's Trust site where you can find out more about the many projects that the Trust is involved with. In the last year 60,000 young people received support. However, I would also like to 'tap' into the wealth of experiences that 41 Club members have. Could you offer a few hours a month as a mentor to support young People? The Trust supports mentors to do this. Please contact me if you would be willing to do this (president@41club.org)

Dave Campbell
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VICE PRESIDENT – Philip Ellis
Progress on your key objectives.

Current objectives set by myself are as follows:

*Communate with National Board members.
Meeting with President Dave
Belfast 2018 committee meetings.*

Progress on action points from the previous meetings (both Board and Council).

Communate with National Board members

I have been in contact with President Dave, and all the other members of the board on various details of the operations of 41 club since the AGM in April. Tom and I have been and when necessary Sean to help with elections and identifying issues within some regions. Tom has a good handle on the situation now and the regions will have some great announcements in Gillingham thanks to the work of Tom and Sean. Dave and I work hard at our recent 1 and ¾ day putting together the Agenda's for the upcoming Board and Council meetings.

During the last couple of months, I have worked closely with Godwin, Ray and Dave to see how we could come up with a short-term solution to the general media of 41 club. The current situation and issues have been identified, and all parties have agreed to an interim solution. This is that Ray Hill will take on the responsibilities of sub-editor of the magazine and newsletters as and when Godwin is under pressure. We hope that this will ease the pressure and get the main PR Avenue of 41 club back to its normal high stander.

I also spoke with Peter to take some promotional material out to South Africa to distribute to as many internationals as possible, I also thank Lawrence Bamber for doing the same.

But mostly I have been dealing with Belfast 2018 National Conference and thanks to Andrew for all his help and guidance, but my phone bill is getting out of hand. Putting aside the issues that we had with the booking systems and generally getting information out there, Belfast has been outstanding so far. As I announced at the hand over in the Imperial hotel in





Blackpool on the Sunday morning we had over the weekend give or take a few 180 booked in already. Over the next few weeks thanks to Colin and Judi Steen working with Godwin to get the booking system to suit they got everything on the system and verified with each attendee. But during this time people were still booking in online. By week 3 we had over sold the Thursday trip to Bushmills/Giants Causeway by 300%. So we opened up the Thursday to help the situation it's close to being booked out now. I was advised that normally up to 40 go on the trip we have 200 over the two days. The pre-tour is the Tuesday and Wednesday, Tuesdays we expected 12-20, we have 45 going and the Wednesday trip to Londonderry Walls is close to 90 booked in.

So all the trips are sorted and we cannot do anymore for them. Now at week seven the Thursday night welcome party is fully booked and as of today (05/06/2017) the Friday night Presidents Ball is fully booked at 520. I have come up with a possibly solution to help others who may want to go to this event, so watch this space. Saturday night's Titanic has now 500 booked in and the bookings are still coming in. The hotel rooms are plenty but the Europa the main conference hotel is close to full. It's also strange that all the expensive rooms were the first to book out.

So, I can report that Belfast has been booked out at seven weeks, but I and Andrew are looking into putting something together to expand the Friday night and open up the Saturday night to 600+.

Your activity during the period

My own calendar is filling up rapidly and my activity will be greater during the year.

03/05/17 Meeting with Visit Belfast and J&K coach hire in Belfast.

08/05/17 Belfast 2018 Blackpool debrief at the Europa hotel. This was a very useful meeting and required a detailed session. It dealt with issues in hand and also tried to foresee problems in the near future.

23-25/05/17 Travelled to Presidents Dave's house to spend time setting up the agenda for the Board & Council meetings.

26/05/17 I also saw it only right that the first club I visited when I got home was Bangor 41 in County Down. A great night with my own club and being brought back down to earth was the right medicine.

31/05/17 Banbridge 41 AGM, a great night with good friends and gaining support for the conference in Belfast. Banbridge is a very active club of over 20 members.

16/06/17 Bangor41 AGM, the election of officers will be interesting.

I have put a start to rewriting the National Councillors Handbook but it will be at the October meeting before it is completed.

Any recommendation requiring cost should be costed so we can review it and where appropriate approve it before taking it to Council.



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Not at this present time.

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IMMEDIATE PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT – Barry Durman

“41 CLUB STILL DOES COMMUNITY SERVICE AND FUNDRAISING”

I have said thank you to everyone for their support last year so let's move on. Although some clubs do little fundraising or community service, our survey back in 2014 showed that a big majority do. This is often in support their Round Table, where they provide labour for carolling, beer festivals and local carnivals, but also on their own initiative. Clubs donate money to charities supported by speakers, many to the National President's Charity (The Princes Trust this year) and many other local charities supported by their members. Some clubs make fantastic efforts, such as York Ebor and the group from Larbert and Falkirk who have just cycled Ireland, 384 miles north to south.

One of our 4 stated purposes is to “encourage active involvement in the community”. We recently approved a Community Service Policy and have asked the Immediate Past President to pick up this responsibility on the Board (as well as making the tea). There are four main strands to our Policy:

1 Supporting each year's National Presidential Charity. It is really appreciated when clubs make donations and I raised over £28,500 for Shelter last year and most of that came from our clubs. If the National President makes the effort to come a long way and make a speech to members then, where money is being raised for charity, it is nice when at least a proportion comes to his charity.

2 We have our fantastic 41 Club garden at the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire. If you have not yet been to this venue, you really must. It is truly inspirational and celebrates all those who have fought and died in all sorts of conflicts down the years. There are several hundred memorials, including our lovely garden, with its 41 trees. All this has been managed by Lichfield 41 Club, who actually were there at the start. It is an ideal place for a club day out with friends and family. We have a Round Table Family service there on Remembrance Day. 41 Club has a small budget to help with maintenance.

3 Next is the Millennium Way – click to read all about it www.millenniumway.org – also on twitter and Facebook. This was designed, in the year 2000, by Solihull 41 Club as a community facility to help us live healthy lifestyles and has expanded from a 100 mile trail to be a fabulous series of 44 circular walks attached to the main trail. The website shows local hostleries and a few places for accommodation. Walks are from 3 to 10 miles long. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter @millennium way we have a budget to help support this and are currently getting 3000+ hits on the website each month.

4 Club events are important to show that “41 Club still does stuff” so I have asked on the website for those clubs that do some community service or fundraising to let me know or better still write a small article for the newsletter or magazine.





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If anyone on National Council comes across an opportunity for us to get involved in a community service initiative, please let me know. I have no proposals that will lead to spending any extra budget. I have a couple of club visits left over from last year, but otherwise I have just been to South Africa for the International AGM and to the Classic Car Weekend.

Barry Durman
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NATIONAL SECRETARY – Sean McCormick

Talk about having to hit the ground running!, these are a small snapshot of the items I have been involved in since taking over from the hard working Manny. Obviously, my start had to be enabled by meeting up with my predecessor, Manny, who very kindly invited myself, David Leach & Mark Fairchild (+ partners) to his house for a BBQ & get-together to go through all that we were passing on and inheriting. My thanks to him for organising this & leaving everything in a good order to take over.

Office 365 – I had an absolute nightmare in accessing the Secretary email account. I only have an iPhone and a work supplied laptop that wouldn't allow access to the account as my work software considers Office 365 'an insecure database' and therefore blocked me from using it. We have found a work round to cover things for the moment & may end up having to purchase a 41 Club laptop that can be passed on from Secretary to Secretary. I had to use my work email, or CAS (where possible), for the first few weeks and always offered an apology to those who expected an 'official' emailed response. Particularly during the lengthy process of the Region 25 National Councillor election campaign. This will obviously be something we will have to think about for the future in case my successor has issues, hence my including a note of this now so that this is recorded for all to see.

Marchesi House – I visited HQ on the 24th May and met with David Barley (RTBI CEO), Beverley and Annie. Although I spent a few hours there it really was too little time to cover all that we needed to go through and I will arrange a further visit soon. Among the items we covered;

- a) This report - it comes down to our staff to produce this document, with an oversee from myself. My impression is that they are more than capable of getting this done & this report proves it (thank you Bev & Annie). However, we really do need to be consistent in the way we send in reports. Please, please, as my email requesting reports states, use the font Arial 11, you don't need the 'box' format, if anything when cut & pasted into a larger documents it can unjustify all that has gone before. It really is a pain and just complicates what should be a reasonably simple task.
- b) Marchesi House KPI's (Key Performance Indicators) - Our contract with RTBI was renewed by Manny and covers us for the next 3 years, this was an important negotiation and we should offer our thanks to Manny for a job well done. There are KPI's that sit on the back of this and they need updating. Just for instance, there is a requirement for Marchesi House ("MH") staff to maintain, print & distribute member directories. I don't know about you, but in my years in 41 Club





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I've never received a formal directory posted to my home – definitely a thing of the past.

Future Conference Torquay 2018 – Having been checked over by Honorary Solicitor Paul Cammiss, I have signed and returned the Licence Agreement with the Riviera International Conference Centre Torquay. We are now committed to holding the event, changes or (dare I say it) cancellation will not come without financial penalty.

National Councillors –

- a) Region 25 (South East England) - I am sure you will have taken note of the email I sent regarding the election that took place in the Region. I am pleased to announce that by narrow margin the post was won by Phil Douce, who will take over from John Alford at the June Meeting. Our thanks must go to John for his time, dedication and attitude. He works hard for the Association (the Transmanche meeting, etc) and does us credit.
- b) Region 2 (Scotland East) – We have received a nomination for Kevin Booth Stewart from the Livingston 41 Club.
- c) Region 19 (London Chilterns) – We have received a nomination for Bernard Elwen from the Dunstable 41 Club.
- d) Region 24 (SW London, Surrey & Sussex) – We have received a nomination for Peter McBride from the Wallington & Carshalton 41 Club.

I am hoping that (subject to no objections being received from any of the National Council – of which to date there have been none) that all three above will be confirmed by yourselves at our June meeting.

- e) Region 18 (Essex & North East London) – Although I have received interest, I have yet to receive a nomination form.
- f) Region 1 (Scotland West) – We have received a nomination from a 41er who has provided an address on his nomination form from outside the Region, although he does belong to a club in the Region. NCLO Tom will run you through this with his report
- g) Region 17 (East of England) – As stated in his email to the National Board of 9th May 2017, current Councillor Des Fulcher has stated his intention is to no longer continue past June and requests a well-earned break. However, his departure & dialogue in both email and National Council meetings brings us a very interesting debating point. He has long said that the current Region (including, what was previously, Region 16) is unmanageable in its' current state and suggests that we split it back to the previous Regions. To endorse this point he has suggested that there has been interest from two individuals who may take on the Councillor roles if this were to happen. My thoughts (& if National Council were to endorse it) would be to do as Des suggests & revert back to Regions 16 and 17. This can be discussed in the meeting.

AGM Blackpool Minutes – Hopefully most of you will have noted the precis of the AGM resolutions, Officer Elections, etc that Ray Hill kindly posted on the website. The minutes will take somewhat longer as I have received a memory stick from Martin Green with over 6.5 hours of video to transcribe. I am very grateful to the offer of help from Dave's wife Pauline in the transcribing of the minutes, it is a long process so please bear with us. Hopefully, if we get a full complement of National Councillors, I should soon have a helper on the Secretarial Committee to help out on these quite onerous tasks.





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National Directory on CAS – As kindly pointed out by email cc'd to all by National Councillor Des Fulcher, the National Directory was still in the process of being updated 3 weeks post AGM. There were a couple of reasons for this, firstly, there was a slight mis-communication as it was a task (as mentioned above) listed in the MH KPI's (so I thought they would do it), but I have now got the first draft amended. Secondly, at the time Des emailed, we had still not had the RTBI, Ladies' Circle, 41 International and Tangent International AGM's. Contact details for all these Boards are contained within our National Directory stored on CAS. Finally, last but not least, I was waiting on the Councillor elections/candidates as these are also contained within our directory. You should now be able to see the directory in at least a reasonable up to date order in CAS – I recommend you use it, it does contain a lot of useful information.

Policies, Procedures and Rules Review – Firstly, the Policies review, following the Council meeting in Blackpool (and also deferred from the Rednal Council meeting), National Council agreed the setting up of a Special Purposes Committee of myself, John Alford (National Councillor Region 25), Steve James (National Councillor Region 13) and Cormac Clancy (Region 3). Although regrettably Steve was not able to make it as he was with the Fellowship Committee meeting in Torquay, the rest of us met in Dublin on the 14th June. We have reviewed, made changes where necessary and are happy to recommend the following to National Council:-

- a) Our Code of Practice
- b) Website Acceptable Use Policy
- c) Health & Safety Policy Statement
- d) Confidentiality Policy
- e) Data Protection Policy
- f) Website Privacy Policy
- g) Association Email Policy

I will run these though at our meeting in June & hopefully we can get these approved (as required annually).

Secondly, the rules review, which as you can imagine is a huge task. We have two parts to this, to check against all National AGM's for the last 10 years that all approved Resolutions concerning our rules have been taken into account, have been recorded historically, and are available to view on our National Website. Then, as tasked in the April National Council Meeting, we have to review those rules and either re-write or get approved a new version that will cut out the inconsistencies that we have with regards terms of office of National Councillors (as highlighted by Region 17 Councillor, Des Fulcher) as well as modernising for video's, emails, and other such developing media of communication. This is ongoing and we will report back to Council on our progress.

Correspondence Received – I know this was briefly mentioned in emails during Barry Durmans' year for the meeting in Okehampton. I have now received a reminder. We have received an email from Mark Newby of the Old Bored Executives 41 Club requiring our clarification of the rules relating to membership. We currently have only one membership rule which is that "Full members" means members or ex-members of Round Table who have reached the age of forty years. The Old Bored Executives ("OBEs") have a club member who is undergoing a transgender journey and would ask for 41 Club to set guidance/policy as to how to deal with the issue should an individual (or individuals) change their name or gender.





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I will read the received email at our meeting so that we can decide how to address this & respond to Mark accordingly.

Sean McCormick
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NATIONAL TREASURER – David Leach

June-17:

I am delighted to have become National Treasurer to our association.

This being my first report, is inevitably going to be a little light on detail, however I will start by saying a big “thank you” to Mark Fairchild who has been helping me settle into the new role.

Anyone who has had the pleasure of changing a mandate at their bank will sympathise with the fact that it is taking a fair while to transfer all the details with both our banks. Just before the end of May, I finally managed to get full access to our operational current account at Barclays which has certainly helped in the managing of payments due.

I have made contact with Beverley at Marchesi House who helps to keep the books and records – with a bit of input from myself. This is working well and for the next meeting I will be better placed to provide draft results for the first half of the year (to June 2017).

Capitation – of the £225,069 capitation due for 2017, £153,656 has been paid. Any help from National Councillors, to jolly along those clubs in their region that have yet to pay (details in CAS), would be gratefully received.

Cash balances as at the end of May-17 – at Barclays we have £134,552.07. I don't yet have access to Bank of Scotland but the last reported balance was £60,317.59 – this is held in a fixed term deposit which matures in July.

David Leach
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FELLOWSHIP OFFICER: Andrew Mackereth

FELLOWSHIP REPORT

Since Blackpool Conference I have been out and about on Fellowship Business visiting Belfast, Torquay and Ilkley for the Classic Car Dinner.

Blackpool Conference 2017. The event was a great success and thanks must go to Kevin Lovett and his team who worked very hard. With a sell out on the Thursday evening and a near full house for the Presidential Banquet it shows that Conference is growing from strength to strength. A financial report is expected by September which I am sure will show a profit.





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Belfast Conference 2018. As I write this Belfast is almost fully booked with only tickets still available for the Saturday Fancy Dress Party. Chairman Phil is looking at some alternatives to encourage more members to attend the 41 and Tangent AGM's. The response to Belfast 2018 has been unbelievable to sell out most of the functions in a little over a month without really having to advertise is unknown.

Torquay 2019. I will be attending a meeting of the Conference Committee a week before the National Council meeting. The committee has now been formed under Chairman Mark Fairchild. I have asked Steve James to act as my representative on the Committee reporting to me.

Conference 2020. Expressions of interest have been invited and at the moment we have one interested party. A site visit will be arranged for September to check on the viability of the venues.

Joint Conference with Tangent. As we talk I am exploring with Tangent how we can include Tangent more in the arrangements for future Conferences. I will report when I have any further information.

Classic Car Rally. It was again a great success with 39 cars taking part. Thanks must go Ray Hill and Ian Burnett for organizing this year's event. Next year's event will be held between 8th and 10th June 2018 at Coryton, Nr. Cardiff.

National Caravan Rally. We now have over 20 caravans booked with room for another 13 caravans. This is the first Caravan Rally for a number of years and will be held between 1st and 3rd of September. Please contact Martin Green for more information.

National Golf Competition. Bookings are now open for the event which will be held on Thursday 21st of September at Brickhampton, Nr. Gloucester. Details are available on the front page of the website or from myself.

2nd National Sports & Social Weekend. The dates are 9th to the 11th of February 2018 at Oakhampton. Bookings should open soon. Details from Steve James.

1st 41 Club Cruise. Details from Ray Hill. Fred Olsen have given a 3 night cruise to auction on behalf of President Dave's charity. Details are on the website.

Member Benefits. We should be able to launch the new member benefit of Heritage Car Insurance in the next month or so. I have asked Andy Ventress to act as coordinator of member benefits for 41 Club. Please don't forget our partners such as Hyundai, Fred Olsen Cruises, Just Travel Insurance, Belmond Trains, Wider Wallet and Utility Warehouse.

Future National Council Meetings. The dates and venues of the June and October 2018 meetings should be available soon.

Andrew MacKereth
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NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP & ROUND TABLE LIAISON OFFICER – Duncan Kennedy

1. **Marchesi Club:**

We need to discuss a marketing strategy for this and some form of application form. Round Table are trialling an E Club which appears to be having some success. We can perhaps discuss this in more detail at the meeting. RT would like us to publicise its existence to all our members. Maybe we can do this provided they publicise ours to all their members!

2. **Complimentary membership for Tablers between 40 – 45:**

I have received a few queries regarding this and I hope with more publicity at Table level we will have a bigger take up. My thanks to Tom Atkins who ran a stall at the RT AGM (I was unable to be there) promoting 41 Club and had a few enquiries.

3. **Charging Honorary Members:**

I have not received any queries from the Clubs but I would imagine that they are just not putting them on the system.

4. **Retiring Tablers:**

About 12 months ago I examined the data from March 2015 and March 2016. This was by no means an easy feat as I had to search each individual name on CAS to see if they are members. I have now repeated the process and the figures are shown below. Furthermore I do not have the data for previous years as we did not have the list of retirees from Table.

Anyway, to date the figures are as follows:

2015 - September 2016 - 329 retiring Tablers of which 65 are showing on CAS as Members. This is a 19.75% conversion rate.
June 2017 – 82 now showing on CAS giving a conversion rate of 24.9%.

2016 - September 2016 - 324 retiring Tablers of which 51 are now showing on CAS As members. This is a 15.7% conversion rate.
June 2017 – 63 now showing on CAS giving a conversion rate of 19.4%

I have previously circulated the data for 2017 and by the time this report goes out I hope to have sent everyone the lists for the last 3 years showing those who still haven't joined.

2017: June 2017 - 75 Retiring Tablers.

The list for 2017 has been resent to Councillors.

5. **Round Table Data Project**

This is moving on. We have now had 3 ring around sessions (many thanks to Nick Morcumb, John Lamb, Mark Gilda, Steve James, Glen Lyon and Manny Martins for their continued assistance) and have made around 1,000 calls. As a result the following has been achieved - so far we have identified the possibility of 18 new Clubs (say around 6 members per Club) and 44 guys who either wish to join or who are members but their details are not on CAS. In theory this could mean 152 extra members on CAS.

Unfortunately, I had to cancel the June session but I intend to have further sessions in September, October, November, January 2018, February 2018 and March 2018. It is stating the obvious to say that the more people who attend these sessions the quicker we get



through the lists. We have just under 3,000 to go through so the more the merrier. Dates are as follows

16/17 September

7/8 October

25/26 November

27/28 January 2018

23/24 February 2018

Please check your diaries and let me know if you can make any of these.

6. Round Table Family

At the last family meeting it was agreed that I should endeavour to put together a committee to discuss the possibility of a "Round Table Family Month" when Clubs would be encouraged to put on activities to raise the profiles of all four Associations. It was fully accepted that this does take place in certain areas but they do appear to be in the significant minority.

I have now had a response from all four Associations and this will be progressed at the next Family Meeting in July.

7. Tables without a 41 Club

This is an ongoing project and I am sure over time will produce results. Indeed it has already produced some results.

Club	Region	Club	Region	Club	Region
Elgin	1	Alnwick	4	Colwyn Bay and District	12
Forres	1	East Lancashire	5	Llanelli	13
Nairn	1			West Bromwich	14
Buckie	1	Macclesfield	7	Mildenhall	17
Thurso	1	New Mills Marple & District	7	Fareham	23
Mid-Argyll	1	Bourne and District	9		
Dunfermline	2	Congleton	11	Epsom Old Salts	24
Glenrothes	2	Stone	11	Burgess Hill Active	24
Montrose and District	2	Abergele	12		

It would be useful if Councillors advised me of any others that there may be.

8. Membership Enquiries:

I continue to receive a number of enquiries from past Tablers directly from the web site. These are responded to and the details passed on to the local Club and the National Councillor and have brought a number of new members into the Association.



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9. Individual Membership

This is something that is still on the agenda but we need to have the infrastructure in place to be able to move this forward.

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NATION COUNCILLOR'S LIAISON OFFICER: Tom Atkins

National Councillor Liaison Officer Report June 2017

I would like to thank the membership, for appointing me to the position of NCLLO, and welcome the support of my fellow board members. I could not attend the AGM, as I was on a 136 numbers club meeting with Round Tablers and 41ers from Europe and South Africa celebrating Pretoria 136's 50th Charter.

I believe it is important to keep the links with Round Table as they are our future members and to carry on with International visits and relationships, as these give us ideas, fellowship, fun and hopefully we learn how they deal with community service issues.

Over a 10 day visit it's not been all fun, as we were brought down to earth when visiting a project supported on a daily basis by all Pretoria RT and 41 Clubs. We went to what they call Angel Hospital, (a hospice) where married couple and 5 staff look after 25/30 severely disabled children and young adults, on a 24/7 basis, with no government funding, so rely on donations and charities helping them. At the Charter Gala dinner I helped to raise thousands of pounds (£2300) to go towards the project by auctioning some of my logo'd T shirts and polo shirts from RT and 41 clubs around the world.

As I write this report I am flying out to visit Berkel en Rodenrijs 136 Round Table as a 41 Club representative together with 4 young Tablers, to celebrate their 40th Charter. Members of Nuneaton RT were present at their original charter in Holland and were responsible for setting up the "twinning" and Euro/International meeting that has continued every year since then.

The Key objectives of the NCLLO are:

1. Lead and represent the National Councillors in the day to day operations of the Association at Regional and Club level supporting the Association Objectives, and assisting in maintaining good communication.
2. Manage the day to day activities and objectives of the National Councillors.
3. Motivate the National Councillors to provide a supportive culture to the Clubs.
4. Ensure the welfare of the National Councillors.
5. Represent the National Councillors on the National Board.

After the handover from my predecessor, I have been working with the new National Secretary, to make sure the regions without a National Councillor or have a retiring councillor, have the best chance to have representation, by identifying 41ers or retiring





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Tablers to move into the Councillor position. This is a challenge as we don't seem to have people queuing up to take up the positions.

One objective is to encourage councillors and board members to use their contacts in order to identify suitable candidates, if this is not possible I will seek to elect a caretaker in a region to make sure it is covered until a suitable candidate is found / comes forward.

I believe we have a great group of councillors, who should not need too much "management" but may need assistance with IT and help with Club visits, so I will encourage them to share ideas that work with each other. We as a board also need to make sure the Councillors wellbeing is looked after too and we can only do that by communication.

I hope the VP will assist in continuing the great work of expanding and developing membership in Ireland.

I will use our contacts to develop membership and fellowship in Scotland by appointing Councillors who will keep in contact with and help develop clubs in the 2 Regions with a large Geographical area, covering 43 clubs and some 720 members. I have already appointed a Caretaker for region 1, and we have a suitable candidate for Region 2.

Now that I have settled into the role, I will be assessing the needs of each Councillor to see what tools or training they need to fulfil the role.

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NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS & IT OFFICER – Godwin Stewart

Council report – June 2017, Gillingham

Since the National AGM in Blackpool in April this year, the role of the National Communications Officer encompasses not only the Association's communications but also the IT infrastructure used for those communications, as suggested by the new name for the role: National Communications and IT Officer. This requires some manpower and therefore a large committee that will be put in place during the course of this Council weekend.

Responsibilities include:

Website

The website continues to be maintained ably by the Honorary Webmaster, Ray Hill, who despite his unsuccessful bid to become National Secretary has agreed to continue in this role. A number of issues relating to the job of maintaining the website and making key information available to the membership and to the general public were pinpointed at the end of last year, passed over to the organisation who developed the website and dealt with. New issues are coming to light and will in turn be handed over to the website developers in order to facilitate updating of their own pages by Council members and Clubs that have taken up the offer of a "microsite" under the umbrella of the National website. Take-up of microsites does, however, remain slow. There are only two additional such microsites that have been set up during the course of the year 2016-2017.





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Club Administration System (CAS)

Despite its age, CAS continues to serve the Association well, although it is now lacking features that allow us to deliver efficiently on complimentary capitations for Round Table members under the age of 45. We do have work-arounds in place that still allow this but it does mean some extra work.

The only real Achilles heel of CAS is the accuracy of the information that it contains. This information is provided by Clubs, or should be. The main difficulty is impressing upon Clubs the importance of maintaining accurate club membership information in CAS in order to make things easier not just for Council but for themselves as well. This will always be a problem, regardless of the database implementation being used.

The lack of a bridge between CAS and the website is beginning to become a problem, as we knew it would. As time goes on, membership lists and meeting information is becoming more and more out of sync. This problem will have to be addressed before the next AGM in order to keep to a minimum the headaches that will be involved in bringing the website back up to speed. To this end, we have explored multiple possibilities, namely asking the developers of the website to quote, using the system recently developed by Round Table, asking the developer of the current CAS to quote and I have also put in an offer to rewrite CAS myself.

Another avenue that we are exploring is asking a different external company to look at the problem. The website developers, although it makes technical sense for them to do this, do not make financial sense. Round Table went ahead and developed a system with no input from us. Both the current CAS developer and a different external company want a detailed specification of requirements to work to. Our Honorary Webmaster, Ray Hill, has extensive experience in working with databases and I have in-depth knowledge of how the current CAS works and what we need in order to continue delivering on the Strategic Plan. We are therefore going to spend a day before the Council meeting working together on this requirements specification.

Newsletter and Magazine

Production of these publications did slip at the beginning of this year. Circumstances beyond my control meant that I had to give 41 Club lower priority temporarily and as a result of this there was no Spring magazine and no Newsletter in April or May. I am now “firing on all cylinders” once again.

As of writing, the June newsletter has been sent out and the July magazine is nearly ready to go to press.

Supply of stories to report on remains low. With the exception of a few regular contributors, clubs tend to remain quiet about their events, considering that other clubs will have as much interest in their news as they do in that of other clubs: little to none. This does make it difficult to demonstrate the vibrancy and diversity of an Association such as ours and therefore makes it equally difficult for Clubs to see it and fully appreciate membership.

Press Awards

As ever, this year's Photographic Competition attracted some excellent entries. There were 71 entries from throughout GB&I this year.





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For the past 3 years, the National Photographic Competition has been held online. This enables us to know the winner before the AGM and therefore to announce the winner at that event. For the first time this year, we will also be able to have the charity calendars printed in time for the June Council meeting. This will enable us to start selling them much earlier than in previous years, when they were distributed to Council members at the October meeting, by which time it was too late to start selling them.

Curiously, unlike the Photographic Competition, the David Smith and David Hewitt Awards for best Club Newsletter and Club Website respectively suffer from the very same lack of interest in what is happening beyond each Club's horizon as the newsletter and the Magazine. Despite this, however, the few Clubs that entered these competitions supplied material of interest, often heavily laced with humour that made enjoyable reading. I just wish that we could entice more than the half dozen or so Clubs out of nearly 800 who enter regularly to do so.

Office 365

We are operating at the full capacity of our licenses. As things are, I leave the outgoing IPP a grace period to recover any data he might wish to keep after the AGM, meaning that the Office 365 license assigned to him remains in use. This will have to change in the event that Region 17 is once again split into Regions 16 and 17 because the National Councillor for Region 16 will need that account.

More generally, the gamut of services provided by Office 365 is under-used by 41 Club. The ability to create and edit Office documents online and the calendar sync function are standard and will always be available regardless of the brand of service used, so while very few people actually take advantage of them, there is little point in seeking a more cost-effective solution that does not provide them. SharePoint is a service that is hardly used at all, partly because of the extremely convoluted directory hierarchy that was put in place when the service was first activated. This needs to be simplified and could save us the trouble of sourcing an alternative solution if using SharePoint was made more accessible.

The only real problems encountered with Office 365 are problems of a nature that will also occur with other services, such as users forgetting their passwords or the inevitable panic that ensues when it is time to hand over the account to a successor in the Council role to which the account is assigned.

This said, the web interface to Office 365 is slow and cumbersome, both for general usage and for the administration of the system.

Training in the use of all of these resources is still sorely needed. Previous sessions that have been held in Marchesi House twice a year have been successful and I would like to continue them. The benefit to Council members and to the Association is tangible. Until now, these were organised by the National Councillors' Liaison Officer. With Tom coming into the role only in April, it is understandable that he has had to take time to settle in and has therefore been unable to organise this. This being said, it could also be argued that training in IT resources comes under the remit of the Comms & IT Officer because it should be open not only to Councillors but also to Board members. Furthermore, the CAS aspect of things and usage of the website should also be open to Club officers.

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICER: Peter Good

The 41st International meeting of 41 International Club was held in Sun City from the 5th until the 7th May.

The meeting was opened at 8 30 prompt by Engelbert who welcomed the guests and many past International Presidents who were in attendance. Aims and objects were read. The secretary Mika did a roll call of 22 countries in attendance which included the USA, one of our newer clubs.

We paid homage to those members that had passed away during the past 12 months including a foundation member and 2nd President Daniel Ponchon, and of course the much respected John Hudson.

John Anderson, the conference convenor welcomed us all.

National President of South Africa, Andre de Villars greeted us, and showed his gratitude that so many countries had come to the event.

Round Table International sent their Vice President Yann Tavernier to speak. He showed his appreciation of what 41 club is doing to help Round Table. He said " Lets" all do our own part in promoting more inter- table contact. We will all be benefactors of it.

Italy did a presentation for their appeal for aid for the earthquakes of 24/08/16 and 30/10/16, and also for the latest four quakes on 18/01/17.

Engelbert made a donation of the money he raised from his badge sales during the year, which was over 7000 euros.

They are looking for around 150 thousand, of which Italy themselves have already 75 thousand.

Greetings also came from LCI Agora and Tangent.

Minutes of the HYM meeting in Bangalore were confirmed and adopted. President Engelbert talked about the success of the workshops held at the HYM, and it is clear we should hold more workshops in Rimini in the October HYM.

Past President Makarios spoke about the extension work which has made dramatic moves forward in the last three years, new associations in the pipe line are, USA, Brazil, Hungary, Nepal, Kuwait, Uganda, and Botswana. He thanked Germany for their offer of help to finance the start-up in Nepal and Botswana.

The Secretary gave his report, as did the treasurer, both confirming that the club stands well. We have a surplus of 47k at present. The Editor appealed for contributions to the monthly communique we had a report and slides from our Webmaster.





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Our very own John Bellwood took the floor to do his usual talk about the Royal household, we then took a vote on who was going to be Vice President for 2019 -2020. There were applications from India and Italy.

A secret vote was called and the country with most votes was Italy. It is 10 years since they last did it so maybe it was the right result.

The HYM in 2019 will be held in Malta.

We have received applications for affiliation from Portugal, Hungary, New York USA, and Brazil.

The Italians gave a presentation on the HYM to be held in Rimini 27th to 29th October 2017, they also announced that the International Vice President will be Luca Colombo.

The next AGM will be held in Austria in Pörschach on the 27-29th April 2018.

Our new International President is Bruce McKay who gave a short emotional speech, First Lady is his lovely wife Tania who worked very hard to make sure we were all looked after in South Africa.

Ulrich Suppan from Austria is the new Vice President.

We had 20 people from the UK in attendance. A great time was had by all on pretours and post tours, safaris etc.

Including our National President and I going on the Zip Wire 2km long reaching speeds of over 70 ml an hour.

It was fantastic. I think we have to do a Sky dive next Dave.

It was as always great to meet old friends and make a lot of new ones.

I am attending the AGM in Norway this weekend and Poland next weekend, will report on them at council meeting the following weekend.

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REGION 5 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR - GRAHAM F SLOAN North West
Clubs Visited National Councillor

Date	Club	Event/visit	Members attending	A-O-B / News
02/02/2017	Ribble & Lune	Red Rose 2017	10	
07/02/2017	Clitheroe	Speaker	32	
08/02/2017	Lytham St Annes	Speaker	28	
10/02/2017	NSW Oakhampton			
14/02/2017	Darwen	Dinner	14	
15/02/2017	Blackpool	Cancelled		
16/02/2017	Rosendale	Cancelled		
21/02/2017	Thornton Cleveleys	Cancelled		
11/04/2017	Kirkham & Rural Fylde	AGM	35	With Nat Comms & IT Officer
12/04/2017	Lytham St Annes	AGM	32	
18/04/2017	Thornton Cleveleys	AGM	16	Discussed Poulton Progress's disaffiliation
20/04/2017	Blackpool Conference			
10/05/2017	Lytham St Annes	Speaker	28	
25/05/2017	Blackburn Greys	Bowls	14	
06/06/2017	Clitheroe	Speaker	25	



14/06/2017	Lytham St Annes			
19/06/2017	Accrington			
20/06/2017	Preston South Ribble			
21/02/2017	Thornton Cleveleys			

Clubs Visited deputy/Assistant

Date	Club	Event/visit	Members attending	A-O-B / News
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Regional Events Attended:

Date	Region / Club	Event	Members attending
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National Councillor and Deputy/ Assistant Diary - for the next three months

Visits	regional		National		International
	Date	Club/Event	Date	Event	
	June	Accrington			
		Preston South Ribble			
		Thornton Cleveleys			
		Gillingham/ Council Weekend			
	July	Dragons		BBQ	
		"The Lakes 41 Clubs"			
	August	"The Lakes 41 Clubs"			
		Blackburn Greys		BBQ	

The Gaps in activities are due to health problems which still continue, to disrupt normal service.



The CAS, of which I am an Admin, also keeps me busy!

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REGION 6 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – IAN BURNETT Yorkshire

My activities since my last report, have mainly been centred around the Classic Car Rally, liaising with Ray Hill.

Also, I have asked all clubs in Region 6, to invite me to one of their meetings. So far I have three bookings, one local (Sheep Shearing; so they tell me) and the others are on the east coast. I have still to meet up with my Chartered clubs, in the region of four!.

I have had the pleasure of cementing relations with new members in the two local clubs. I have also to meet up with my son's boss, a 41er in the Lytham club. Drinks all round!.

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REGION 7 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – KEVIN LOVETT Greater Manchester

Date: 07 June 2017

Clubs Visited Personally

Date	Club	Event/Visit	Members attending	AOB
04/05/17	Roch Valley	Speaker Meeting	16	

Forthcoming regional events
Membership initiatives
Program for next three months

	Regional	National	International
Visits			
Regional events			
Newsletters			
Magazine Copy			



Notes: - other relevant information.

Hope you all enjoyed Blackpool Roxx. Back to Regional matters. I'm just starting to fill dates into my diary and hopefully will have a full schedule planned for the rest of the year very shortly. Presently in Hong Kong.

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REGION 8 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – PAUL SWINDELL Lancs and Manx

Clubs Visited – National Councillor (NC)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Region / Club</u>	<u>Event / Visit</u>	<u>Members Attending</u>	<u>A-O-B / News</u>
11 th April	8 / Warrington Ex-Tablers (own Club)	50 th Charter – Planning meeting	Four 41ers Two Tablers	Planning for 50 th Charter on 1 st Dec. 2017.
25 th April	8 / Warrington 74 Round Table	Braidbar Boats visit	8 Tablers 4 41ers	None
28 th April	8 / Warrington Ex-Tablers (own Club)	AGM / meal	18 members and 2 Tablers attending.	A lively event – more support between 41 & Table agreed.
18 th May	8 / Warrington Ex-Tablers (own Club)	Normal meeting - Tour of Hermes Distribution Centre (1 st meeting of new Chairman's year)	16 members.	None
6 th June	8 / Chorley Rural	Normal meeting night - Croquet / Meal	10 Members	See Visit Report No 7

Clubs Visited – Deputy/Assistant (DA)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Region / Club</u>	<u>Event / Visit</u>	<u>Members Attending</u>	<u>A-O-B / News</u>
N/A	N/A	N/A	NOTE:-	No assistant recruited yet

Regional Events Attended:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Region / Club</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Members attending</u>
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20-23 rd April	National	AGM / National Conference – Blackpool. Absolutely brilliant!!!	Lots!
19 th – 21 st May	Old Tablers Germany (OTD)	AGM / National Conference – held in Cologne 74 Hanau club attended in- force (14) to celebrate the end of Peter Weiss President’s year! Fantastic weekend of F&F!	Myself and my wife Kirsten (Tangent), plus three 41ers from Redditch 41 Club... and lots of German Old Tablers and International guests!
25 th – 28 th May	This year held in Wotton-Under- Edge (No 974).	Round Table, 74 Numbered Clubs, European Annual Meeting (EAM). Just superb.....in its 43 rd year.....and still going strong!	40 Tablers and 20 41ers - from the 74 Clubs around Europe

Newsletter & Magazine

Regional/Club articles for Newsletters including adverts for events.	Next Newsletter (No 2) to be published in June (was to be May!), then from then onwards quarterly.....
Provide regional/club articles for NATIONAL including adverts for events.	As above – supplied to National Communication Officer, for National Newsletter/Web-site. Notice of Warrington’s 50 th Charter – 1 st December 2017 provided.

National Councillor and Deputy / Assistant Diary – Planned for the next three months

<u>Planned</u>	<u>Regional</u>		<u>National</u>		<u>International</u>
<u>Visits:</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Club / Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Event</u>
-	13 th June	Warrington - Cricket Vs Table (No 74)			22 nd – 25 th June - Warrington / Hanau Annual Beer Tour – This year the Yorkshire Dales...!
CV	15 th June	8 / Southport Hesketh / Normal meet - Bowling			
CV	19 th June	8 / Leyland / Normal meet – BBQ.			
CV	21 st June	8/ Rainford or Widnes/ Normal meet (TBA)			
CV	27 th June	Round Table Area 8 – PIGGY!			



<u>Planned Visits:</u>	<u>Regional</u>	<u>National</u>	<u>International</u>
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Club / Event</u>	<u>Date</u> <u>Event</u> <u>Event</u>
-	30 th June to 2 nd July	Warrington Round Table No 74 – Dads 'n' Kids Weekend.	
CV	TBA	8 / BC&D / Normal meet (TBA)	
CV	TBA	8 / Formby / Normal meet (TBA)	
CV	TBA	8 / HW&D / Normal meet (TBA)	
CV	TBA	8 / Childwall / Normal meet (TBA)	

Also see separate visit reports:

~~'Leigh' Burns Night, 19/01/17 (issued with previous reports)~~
~~'IOM' and 'IOM Progress' meetings, 26 & 27/02/17 (issued with previous reports)~~
~~Region 8 / Area 8 Rally, 29/02/17 (issued with previous reports)~~
~~Huyton – Speaker Meeting, 28/02/17 (issued with previous reports)~~
~~'Liverpool No 1' – Athenaeum Club, 3/03/17 (issued with previous reports)~~
Woolton – Charter 10/03 and AGM 05/04/17 – to be issued.
Chorley Rural, 06/06/17 – to be issued.

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REGION 9 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – DENNIS BAMBRIDGE Lincolnshire

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REGION 10 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – JOHN LAMB East Midlands

Date: 06.06.2017
 Risk Grading Report Date:
 Clubs Visited Personally:
 22.05.2017. Swadlincote
 05.06.2017. Derby Derwent
 No Deputy Appointed

Details of any Membership Initiatives:



I am assisting

Any other comments:

I am now engaged in a programme of one Club visit per week and will be visiting the following:

- 13.06. Belper
- 19.06. Mansfield
- 23.06. National Council Gillingham
- 28.06. Leicester De Montfort
- 03.07 Ashby de la Zouch
- 17.07. Chesterfield

My visit to Swadlincote was very pleasant and they had a speaker on the history of Rolls Royce. It was also good to meet again with Graham Clamp, now around 90 yrs., who is a previous Region 10 National Councillor.

I was the main speaker at the Derby Derwent meeting, the meeting was conducted in a typical 'Table' manner.

I was left in no doubt they have non ex-tablers as members and will continue to induct them.
Any other comments:

After a shaky start, I am now embarking on an organised program of one Club visit per week and am booked now well into July.

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REGION 11 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – NICK MORCUMBE Cheshire and NW Midlands

Date: 7-Jun-17

Clubs Visited Personally

Date	Club	Event/Visit	Members attending	AOB
6-Apr-17	Newport (Salop) Ex	AGM	15	



	Tablers			
7-Apr-17	Frodsham	Handover Event in Helsby & Chester	15	
11-Apr-17	Middlewich	Casino Training for Round Table	5	Support to RT
13-Apr-17	Whitchurch	Table AGM	15	Support to RT
18-Apr-17	Ellesmere Port	AGM	20	
26-Apr-17	Alsager	AGM	50	
27-Apr-17	Area 22	AGM	40	Support to RT
4-May-17	Area 22	Secret Bunker	30	Support to RT
6-May-17	National	National RT AGM Stratford	2	
8-May-17	Tarporley	Handover & Planning meeting	15	Suggest events to include membership opportunities
14-May-17	National	Membership Phone Calls from Marchesi House	n/a	Membership Phone Calls
18-May-17	Area 36	Chester Beer Festival to support RT	5	Support to RT
23-May-17	Runcorn	AGM	30	
25-May-17	Holmes Chapel	Meal	20	
28-May-17	Area 22	Taboganning	30	Support to RT
1-Jun-17	Whitchurch	Membership meeting	2	Support to RT
4-Jun-17	Whitchurch	Flower selling	N/A	Support to Tangent

Forthcoming regional events

Jul'17- Golf

Sep'17 – Crown Green Bowling

Mar'18 – Dinner

Membership initiatives

Help to support existing tables who are low in numbers – Northwich, Cheadle, and Whitchurch

Help to support new Round Tables – Ellesmere Port, Newport, and Wrexham

Speak to 41 clubs about approaching likeminded people to become members

Speak to ex-tablers not yet in 41 Club about creating an addition night each month for their 41 club so more active events can be held.

Improve visibility of RT & 41 Club on Facebook

Program for next three months

	Regional	National	International
Visits	Crewe & Nantwich, Eccleshall, Cheadle, Whitchurch, Tarporley, Lymm,		



Regional events	Golf		
Newsletters			

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REGION 12 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – RALPH SMALL North Wales and the Wirral

Facebook:

One of the 1st task that I set was the creation of a Facebook page for the region, Area 36 RTBI, have for some time used an area Facebook page to promote cross table interaction with events and communication between Table Chairman. Given the age group that is leaving table they are The “Social Media “Generation and use Facebook as a day to day method of communication.

The Facebook page has 40 likes and the same number of followers , Godwin Stewart has been set as an editor for the page so he monitor this page and advise myself on improvements as national IT Officer.

Mold & District 41 Club:

Haven been in contact with the chairman of Mold & District 41 Club it is with regret that they have taken upon them to dis-affiliate from 41 club national – this is due to Mold 339 there feed club been disbanded some 10 years ago with an average membership age of 77 and there chairman at 79, there meeting have gone down to just 6 members and as there is little chance of new incoming members – will not be renewing their national membership this year. They will continue along as time and numbers allow to meet informally.

I will and if there membership are willing and when the time is right collected the chairman’s chain of office and return this to Marchesi house for safe keeping until a 41 can return to Mold.

Heswall 41 Club & XRT

I enjoy and excellent evening with boys of Heswall 41 & XRT at Burton Mere Wetlands on the 22nd May which was trip round the RSPB wet lands, on the Wirral this event was organized by Heswall 41 Club & XRT Chairman Mark Sargent and there were 8 members present, Area 36 RTBI Chairman Richie Minshull & myself.

Heswall 41 Club have a membership of 15 affiliated members, with Heswall XRT having a membership of about 20 members but slowly they are coming across to 41 Club thank to the great work of Mark Sargent & Simon Rushworth

Deeside & District 41 Club:

My own club Deeside & District 41 Club ran a River Cruise on 7th June, The cruise took us down as far as Alford Iron bridge and back with fish and chip supper for just £20, Deeside



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Chairman Mark Roberts himself only just out of table a few years ago is working hard with his programmes officer Robert Dixon on events that will appeal to both new and old members of 41 club.

Area 36 Round Table:

I'm working closely with my RTBI Counterpart Dereck Collie who is the region 7 rep and who's region covers the same as my own, in addition I'm in weekly contact with Area 36 RTBI Chairman Richie Minshull whom again I'm working closely with in visiting both 41 clubs and tables with the Region 12, the main purpose of this is to strength ties between Tables and 41 clubs in the region to increases membership for clubs

Ralph Small - Deeside & District 41 Club
Region 12 Councillor, The Association of Ex-Round Tablers' Club's
Date: 11th June 2017

Ralph Small
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REGION 13 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – STEVE JAMES South Wales

Clubs Visited Personally

Unfortunately due to work commitments – launching a new NHS out of hour's service within west Wales coupled with the children's exams no club visits have been made since the National AGM.

Increased visits have been planned for the next 2 months in order to compensate for the above.

Report from Deputy
Unfortunately there is no deputy in the region despite my best efforts to find someone who is willing to support me.

Forthcoming regional events
None yet planned

Membership initiatives
Good progress is being made with re-starting Newport Round Table.
All "graduating" Tablers have been contacted following receipt of the list from the National membership Officer.

Program for next three months

	Regional	National	International
Visits	10 planned	National Council in Jun	N/A





Regional events		Planning for NSSW 2017 has commenced. I am also supporting the National Fellowship officer in arranging National conference 2019. Preparation of bid (visits of venues etc) for National conference 2020	N/A
Newsletters	N/A	Articles written for NSSW	N/A
Magazine Copy	N/A	Articles written for NSSW	N/A

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REGION 14 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – CLIVE THOMPSON West Midlands

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REGION 15 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – ANDY VENTRESS Heart of England

Please also remember to update the Risk Register on CAS after each visit.

Date: 05/06/2017

Risk Grading Report Date:

Clubs Visited Personally:

Heart of England – A games night at KHCC as well as a viewing of the Europa League final attended by 19 members. Many of these not on CAS for the club as their has recently been an initiative to re-establish the meetings after the Birmingham National Conference, helpers at the conference have all been asked if they wish to join the club. CAS is to be updated with new members.

Clubs Visited by Deputies: None

Details of any Membership Initiatives: I have started to ring around members from RT that have not joined 41Club using the Region 15 list from the Membership Secretary.

Any other comments:



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I have had a meeting with the Region Golf Day Coordinator, Andy Wilkinson from Shirley Late Knights and also sent an email to all members in the Region about the Golf Day. At present feedback is good.

I have had a meeting with Mel Williams, Heart of England about the Regional Dinner in February. At present we have booked the Motorcycle Museum, same venue as last year. Others are asking round to find an appropriate speaker for the night.

I have met with Neal Lowe, Deputy Regional Councillor to make sure that we have the same information to pass onto clubs when we visit.

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REGION 17 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – DES FULCHER East Anglia

Des provided the following email that he sent to all Region 17 41'ers. He asked that this be made his last report:-

“I write ahead of the forthcoming 41 Club National Council meeting 24.6.17 to advise you that a proposal is being made to reinstate the former Region 16 (mostly Cambridgeshire), and at the same time make Region 17 (Norfolk & Suffolk) more manageable. A short while before my successful election in 2014 certain past members of main board merged the two regions, not a good idea or decision in my opinion but I somehow managed one of the largest areas in the UK, relying upon some very helpful fellow members as Deputy National Councillors.

Providing sense prevails at the forthcoming National Council meeting the area changes should result in elections being announced in both Region 17 and Region 16, this ties in nicely as my tenure ends this month, and I've decided not to stand for the extra year to have a break after almost eight years voluntary service to 41 Club National Council.

During my tenure as Region 17 National Councillor I have worked closely with key personnel at Cinema City to develop the Marchesi Room and Display Cabinet amongst many other challenges, this project leaves a superb legacy for all four parts of the Round Table Family organisation. In addition discussions are ongoing with the Museum of Norwich to consider having a small facility for storing selected items of memorabilia which could then be properly recorded and archived.

The final part of this project sees a very small number of the remaining Special Numbered Limited Edition Prints (total 50, with only 27 left at this time of writing) of Louis Marchesi being made available, raising funds on an equal 50/50 split basis between Round Table Children's Wish and Norfolk Community Foundation. More information and purchases can be





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made via either of the links below – **Please be encouraged to act swiftly if interested, there will never be any more printed!**

<http://www.41clubsales.co.uk/shop.php?sec=prod&prod=607>

<http://www.roundtablesales.co.uk/shop.php?sec=prod&prod=483>

This maybe the last email I send out through the Central Administration System (CAS), however until the regional split has been agreed and elections or appointments completed I will continue as caretaker for urgent matters or club visits.

Many thanks to everyone who has helped and supported me during my tenure initially as Deputy National Councillor, then as National Councillor – there's too many clubs and individuals to mention, here's raising a glass to one and all – Cheers!"

Des Fulcher
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REGION 18 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – Caretaker (Sean McCormick)

Date: 9th June 2017
Risk Grading Report Date:
Clubs Visited Personally:
None (other than own, Saffron Walden)
Clubs Visited by Deputies:

No Deputy

Details of any Membership Initiatives:

Eastern Regional Golf Day – Wednesday 19th July at Braintree Golf Club, Kings Lane, Stisted, Braintree Essex CM77 8DD. Teams of 4, 18 hole Stapleford along with nearest the pin, etc. Including dinner is £49:50, or for non-golfers dinner only at £20. All proceeds to Presidents Charity.

Southend-on-Sea Club Cluster – Monday 5th Feb 2018 at Saxon Hall, Aviation Way, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS2 6UN.

This is the largest event organised within the Region, usually 120+ guests, National President speaking, comedy speaker + others. Further details to follow.

Any other comments:





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REGION 20 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR- DEREK KNOWLDEN. Thames Valley

Derek Knowlden
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REGION 21 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR - GLEN LYON MID-WEST

Date: 09/06/17
Clubs Visited Personally

Date	Club	Event/Visit	Members attending	AOB
26/4	Norton Radstock	AGM		Recruited 'southern' Deputy Kevin Chard
25-28/5	Chatellerault	International twinning	8Uk+Partners & 16 French	
6/6	Evesham	Tournament v's Table	12 + 15 tablers	
7/6	Bath	visit	18	First time someone has visited in memory (note 1) signing up for Golf, Quiz, Skittles and possibly NSSW

Forthcoming regional events

Golf Day 18th July – Highworth, Swindon.

I am investigating hosting an 'Avonvale' dinner similar to John Bellwood's very successful Severnvale dinner which attracts the clubs predominantly from table Region 23 as it is a long way to come for a meal from south of Bristol possibly in the autumn venue to be confirmed
Region 1 Quiz – October

Membership initiatives

Participating in Duncan's ring round of Past Tablers – this is quite addictive.



When visiting clubs I will make notes of details of former Table colleagues of the members I am chatting to and endeavour to get the clubs members to reconnect with former mates who have 'drifted off'

Note 1 – from the good response I received from Bath Club It is blindingly obvious we need to get out there and physically meet and due to geography the use of Deputies is going to be the best way forward and this really needs to be a formalised process so the visited clubs feel they are being valued.

Program for next three months

	Regional	National	International
Visits	5		
Regional events	2		
Newsletters			
Magazine Copy			

Notes: - other relevant information.

I have been advised by Hereford that at their AGM they voted to disaffiliate, I am endeavouring to arrange a visit July / August to meet with them and see if there is any way this can be avoided.

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REGION 22 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – MARK HINCHLIFFE West of England

Mark Hinchliffe
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REGION 23 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – STEVE BOLTER Wessex

Date: 7/6/17

Risk Grading Report Date:

Clubs Visited Personally:

Since Blackpool I have not been able to visit any clubs due to being not well and told by my GP not to drive. However I am now fit again and will be out and about from next week.

I have now appointed assistant to help with the region.

Clubs Visited by Deputies:

Details of any Membership Initiatives:

Any other comments:

The Region Golf day will take place on the 21st July 2017



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REGION 24 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – PETER McBRIDE Surrey and Sussex

Having only taken over the Region 24 National Councillor role in recent days, I'm clambering up the learning curve as quick as possible whilst ensuring I don't slip and plummet into the abyss below...

Having been given the secret Nuclear CAS and Admin passwords and codes, I've updated my Profile and written to all 43 Clubs in the Region to introduce myself, request their diaries, ask them to ensure their details on CAS are up to date and offer my services to them. I have already booked myself in for Godalming's Golf Challenge in August and Oxted's Burns Night in January.

I've spoken to both of my predecessor's Deputies and am pleased to report that one of them - Paul Rawlinson (Worthing) has agreed to continue in the role. I will see how the next few weeks go before deciding whether to appoint another Deputy.

I will spend the coming weeks getting up to speed with the role, meeting my peers and trying to understand all things National including how we benefit and generally add value to Clubs... Oh, plus of course getting out and around the Region.

Yours in WD40...

Peter McBride
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REGION 25 NATIONAL COUNCILLOR – JOHN S ALFORD

National Council Meeting June 2017

Have been finalizing the National Council Meeting details and arranging other events for the wives of members for the Friday and Saturday.

Club Visits

Due to election within the Region I decided only to visit Northfleet 41 Club which the President Dave Campbell was attending and to visit the Presidents own club Westerham.

41 Club Classic Car Rally





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We attended the annual 41 Club Classic Car Rally at Ilkley in Yorkshire with our Westfield Sports Car. We had stayed at the same hotel a few years ago with Medway Ramblers and therefore knew the town. So impressed was one of the members with our Westfield sports car that he went out the following week to buy one.

Special Committee into Rules and Policies

The Committee have arranged a meeting in Dublin to go through the Rules and Policies. We shall report back at the National Council meeting.

John S Alford
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HONORARY WEBMASTER – RAY HILL

Council Report for Honorary Webmaster

My apologies for not being at the council meeting in Gillingham but after attending 32 consecutive meetings this one has clashed with a holiday booked some time ago.

I have continued maintaining the national website to the best of my ability and have kept it relatively up-to-date.

I have compared our site with the others in the 4 Club Family plus several other fellowship organisations. My conclusions are that we give access to far more information than any other and it has far more up-to-date information than most. My feeling is that we give far too much information in many areas, especially concerning the finances and governance of the club. When the new website was created it attempted to duplicate everything in the old website plus some new features, some of which have not worked. It also means that maintaining every page has become a virtually impossible task for the group of volunteers that are tasked with updating it.

I have identified numerous problems and errors on the site, which I have fixed if possible but there are many items that need resolving.

The lack of a bridge between the website and CAS is becoming more and more annoying as clubs spot that changes they have made on CAS are not reflected on the website.

The way the site was built gives ownership of pages to named persons, not the role, therefore many of you cannot update the pages you are responsible for.

I could go on and I will produce a report of all the concerns I have. I would like to have it ready for Gillingham, but it is more likely that I will present it at the meeting in Norwich. In the meantime, can I ask for your help?

Please check your personal pages and let me have any changes, corrections or additions. Please add the events in your Region to the events diary, but not just the dates and event but a description as well.

Please send me items to feature on the front page of the website. There is a limit to how many photos of the President people want to see (sorry Dave) and you know my view of





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rows on men in DJs or sat at the table with too many empty glasses. Social and fundraising events with activities are always preferable and help enhance our reputation with the outside world.

Have a good council meeting and remember that I can always be contacted with any ideas that you have.

Ray Hill

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HONORARY ARCHIVIST – HUGH MILWARD

Not much to report over the last few months other than Obituaries continue to come in for processing and a number of Clubs who are holding Anniversary Charters wish me to dig out some interesting information from their earlier years which is a pleasure to do.

Usually our old magazines are the best place to look and research.

I am endeavouring to collect memorabilia from all the latest activity in 41 Club, namely Conference, Classic Car Rally and the future Cruise and Caravan Rally for the Archives.

If and Council member has anything of interest in any of the above please let me know.

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HONORARY SOLICITOR – PAUL CAMMISS

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