





### CLITHEROE AND LEMVIG CELEBRATE 40 YEARS...



#### ...of international friendship

By 1976 Clitheroe Round Table 552 had been searching for an international twin table for about six years but had been thwarted because no Continental Table wanted to travel so far to the grim North-West of England. Meanwhile in Northern Jutland, Denmark, Lemvig Round Table 68 had also been unable to find a twin because other RTBI tables they had contacted were "busy".

Early in 1976 John Rushton (now a member of Aldridge 41 Club and joint member of Clitheroe 41 Club) but then Vice Chairman of Clitheroe Round Table and Round Table Area 34 International Officer received a request for a twinning from Lemvig. He acted quickly and an inaugural meeting of the two tables was arranged for the August bank holiday weekend of 1976.

Eight fresh-faced young tablers all under 40 and sporting a full head of hair and flares – namely John, Howard Spensley (Chairman), Terence Park (IRO), Richard Read, Brian Haig, Mike Watkins, Robert Berry and David Hepworth set out by car and ferry to meet up with the Danes.

When the eight arrived in Denmark they were met just outside the small fishing village of Lemvig on a lovely hot Summer's day by Jørn Holt (Chairman),

Tage Schmidt, Steen Neilsen and Fin Anderson among others. They were then taken to a reception in the Lemvig RT club room and then, suitably relaxed and refreshed, repaired to their hosts' homes. They then spent a great week visiting local businesses, beef and dairy farms and local points of interest by day and enjoying great home parties by night. They also attended Lemvig RT 68's regular business meeting which was held in English for their benefit.

In Chairman Howard's speech at this first meeting, he said he hoped to form a lasting link with Lemvig and prophesised "If we are to develop this link then we must involve our families." He then invited Lemvig Round Table back to Clitheroe to experience the same high level of hospitality the following year. At the end of the week, the eight young and impressionable Tablers then departed for the WOCO AGM which was being held in Hamburg.

Well, Howard's hopes were fulfilled because the visiting has continued ever since and on the August Bank Holiday weekend 2016, Clitheroe 41 Club and Clitheroe Round Table returned to Lemvig to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the initial week's visit. The passage of time had taken its toll on the original eight and only John Rushton, Howard Spensley

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### What's new?

So, what have you been doing lately? Do you have anything interesting planned? Maybe you think that it won't be of any interest to anyone outside of your club, but how will you know unless you say something about it? **Try it!** 

The team that I head is always eager to hear about your events and your projects, and publishing the information

here is a good way to garner support for them.

The copy date for the November 2016 edition of this newsletter is October 24th.

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### BRIDGE DOWN ON THE MILLENNIUM WAY!

Failure of a bridge on the MILLENNI-UM WAY prompted members of Alcester 41 club under the leadership of Super Warden Bill Baldwin, together with a friend from Knowle and Dorridge 41 club, to spring into action and, working in partnership with Worcestershire County Council's Amanda Hill and two other colleagues. to rapidly replace the failed bridge.

The two pictures show the situation as they approached and the final resplendent finished job.

Great work chaps – 41 Club volunteers make this MILLENNIUM WAY walk safe and a delight for public use.

Truly an illustration of community service in action.





The bridge is part of Walk 39 Inkberrow (East) full details at:

http://walking.41club.org/Shortink.htm

Location – 8 or 6 mile ramble, not far from Inkberrow – enjoy!





### MILLENNIUM WAY — LEAD TWEETER NEEDED!



### MILLENNIUM WAY

http://www.walking.41club.org



The 41 Club 100-mile long distance footpath in the centre of England plus 44 short circular walks and the easy access walk for the less mobile

Winner of the 41 Club National Community Service Award

The 41 Club National Project designed for community use, benefiting health and providing enjoyment is looking for a

#### LEAD TWEETER

We seek a proactive member to join our team to lead the campaign to raise awareness of the MILLENNIUM WAY Walks via social media with the emphasis on Twitter.

You will be:

Familiar with Twitter – Enthusiastic to tweet Interested in walking – Able to attract followers A good communicator

Contact MILLENNIUM WAY Chairman Chris Tayler:

christayler@blueyonder.co.uk

Home: 01564 20 777 Mobile: 07779 869932

### SHELTER NEED 41 CLUB VOLUNTEERS

If you have some spare time and would like to volunteer, here is your chance. Shelter has over 1400 volunteers up and down the country working across their shops and services. Volunteers play a crucial role in increasing the capacity of Shelter to help even more people to

Shelter

have a safe, secure and affordable place to call home.

In particular, Shelter need people who are able to join our growing numbers of regular volunteers. There are lots of roles to choose from, including:

- Resource Centre volunteer
- Shop assistant volunteer
- Mentor
- Event volunteering

Don't just take our word for it, here are some of their existing volunteers on why they enjoy volunteering for Shelter...

"The commitment shown by Shelter to preserve human dignity by providing help to those facing housing issues and homelessness is what inspired me to join the team." Lynn, London – Shop volunteer

"I have had so many advantages in life, and so I think it is really important to me that I do something to give back... I've really started to see and learn how many of the issues in society at the moment are interlinked and have a relation to having a home. It makes me feel so lucky to have a home, and want to work even harder so that there is a 'home for

everyone'."

Rachel, London - Business Development Volunteer

"I believe my volunteering at Shelter is meaningful and a good way to give back to society. It gives me a chance to help people in need."

Syed, Sheffield - Former Infor-

mation Resource Centre volunteer, Manchester

"The most rewarding part of volunteering at Shelter is the appreciation that I receive from both staff and service users for the work that I do."

Richard - Mentor Former Information Resource Centre volunteer, Birmingham

"It has given me experience of the world-an opportunity to look at what's going on outside my bubble. Seeing people in different circumstances has opened my eyes and made me more rounded as a person."

Rachel - Family Support Volunteer, Merseyside

TO FIND OUT MORE, or to consider joining Shelter's team of volunteers please visit:

www.shelter.org.uk/support\_us/volunteer

...or email volunteering@shelter.org.uk.

President Barry says he is sure every 41 Club member has home comforts, many of us have a bit of spare time. So he urges you to consider helping Shelter.

### NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC AND PRESS COMPETITIONS

The National Photographic Competition is kicking off!

As they were last year, entries will be published on line when voting opens, and the voting itself will also be on line so that as many of you as possible can cast your votes, not just those attending National Conference.

The winner shall be announced at the AGM in Blackpool and your favourite photos will appear in the charity calendar, profits from which will go to future National President Dave Campbell's charity.

Please send your entries to me at <a href="mailto:comms@41club.org">comms@41club.org</a>. Bear in mind that the photos, if winners, will be printed slightly larger than A4 and in landscape mode except for the front cover. Your entries therefore have to be of sufficient resolution. As a rule of thumb, a JPEG file that is at least 2.0 to 2.5 MB in size should do the trick but bigger is better in this case. If you'd rather send me a link to the picture in your DropBox, OneDrive, Google Drive or other then that's fine too.

The competition rules are the same as last year:

- Each photograph must be the work of the person entering it and entries are limited to four per member.
- Entry is only available to members who can be verified on the CAS database.
- Entries are to be submitted electronically to comms@41club.org
- All entries must include the name and club of the photographer and a title.
- Photographs must not have been entered into any other competition.
- The closing date for entries is Tuesday February 28th 2017.
- The photographer grants permission for 41 Club to use the photographs for charitable fund-raising activities.



Parallel to this we also have the **David Smith Trophy**, which is awarded to the club with the best newsletter. Leicester St. Martins 41 Club holds the title currently, so if you would like to have a go at taking it away from them, just add me to your distribution list! The aesthetic of your newsletter and the clarity of its presentation as well as the level of information that will be of interest not only to 41 Club members but also to individuals who are not (yet!) members are all important.

Finally, we also have the **David Hewitt Trophy**, which goes to the club with the best website. Any club member can nominate his club's website. Simply let me have its URL and the name of the member responsible for it.

I await your entries and nominations!

#### **Godwin Stewart**

National Communications Officer — comms@41club.org

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and Richard Read were able to make the 40th anniversary trip. However not only has the twinning survived but the family connections have too. Also attending this year as Chairman of Clitheroe 41 Club were Howard's son Roger Spensley and also two members of Clitheroe Round Table, who are third generation tablers. Richard Read's grandson Simon Read and Rich Bryan, both of whose fathers and

grandfathers are past Chairmen of Clitheroe RT 552. Also attending as a member of Lemvig RT 68 was Søren Schmidt who was only five months old at the time of the inaugural visit and so was pointedly reminded by everyone that he had just turned 40! His parents Tage and Inge were also hosting this weekend just as they had 40 years ago.

Itineraries varied slightly over the weekend between Table and the younger and older elements of 41 club. The visitors were divided up across several home parties that took place on the Friday night with surprisingly similar levels of libation and behaviour given that ages ranged from tablers in their early twenties to 41-ers in their early eighties! Incredibly, Saturday morning saw the whole party of over 100 tablers and 41-ers assembling by the sand dunes in Thyborøn to see the memorial to the 9,823 sailors who lost their lives during the Battle of Jutland in 1916, which had taken place just off the coast there. The memorial was newly constructed and each sunken vessel is remembered by a granite obelisk jutting out of the sandy soil of the shore like the stern of a boat disappearing into the waves in the same configuration as the wrecks that lie on the sea bed nearby. Eventually each lost soul will be represented by an individually sculpted white figure crowded around the obelisks representing their sunken ship. All enjoyed an excellent guided tour of the memorial describing what is still the largest fleet battle in naval history. Following a 'refreshment' break which comprised beer and dried fish, the party split up, some going to the Sea War Museum containing some relics from the battle, some to the newly built modern church, some for lunch at the fish restaurants of Thyborøn, and the tablers to the pub. Afterwards all then returned to their hosts' homes and rested, suited and booted and then travelled to Lemvig High School for the celebratory dinner. Unlike when the writer was at school, smoking and drinking was actually approved of on school premises but this was probably because it was out of school hours and the headmaster was a Tabler. Standards of dress and discipline were also similarly relaxed for the evening.



After singing the local song, which begins 'Blaestengarfriskover Limfjordens vande' (The wind goes over the fresh waters of the Lim Fjord), all dined on a sumptuous banquet of salmon with asparagus, shrimps and tuna mousse followed by roasted suckling pig with all kinds of accompaniments, and finally a dessert of ice cream with fruits and sauces, plus wine and beer in abundance.

Under the guidance of Master of Ceremonies, Jacob Møllgaard, speeches were given between courses. Jørn Holt and John Rushton as instigators of the twinning in 1976 opened proceedings closely followed by Howard Spensley who replied and presented a hand-carved plaque bearing the Lancashire Rose and commemorating 40 years of friendship, which will



hang in Lemvig RT's clubhouse. Chairman Neil Huddard from Clitheroe and Lemvig RT and Chairman Kristian Hansen also spoke, as did the two Ladies' Circle Chairmen, Jen Shervey from Clitheroe and Gitte Andersen from Lemvig. After an impromptu cabaret from the Tablers who were dressed as lego men it was nearly time for the musical entertainment.

However, a tradition has grown up between the two Tables in which the one that travels is given a magnificent but inconvenient gift from the other. The gift is always one that is specifically designed not to fit within the standard luggage allowance on aircraft and this year was a five foot high obelisk-shaped chiminea made out of die-cut 6mm mild steel and measuring three feet across at the base...

Once this was presented, Richard Read, as is now expected of him, initiated community singing of two songs of his own devising, "Oh You Wonderful Danes" and "Goodnight Ladies", conducted, as ever, by his now traditional wooden spoon. More accomplished musical entertainment was provided by two ex-patriot Irish Danes playing guitars and singing both Danish and Irish folk songs. Whilst some danced and others drank and socialised, Simon Read entertained with his magical sleight of hand. Even though he is an accountant, this only involved card tricks. Formalities concluded with a glass of Warre's Port and the singing of the Round Table tribute song 'In England many years ago, a man so young and bright, he made a club for men like us that are gathered here tonight.'

Some more experienced members left at a reasonable hour but many stayed for the late night snack of Danish Hot Dogs and more beer and dancing.

Sunday saw all assembling once again at three different Danes' houses for a farewell brunch at which it was obligatory to try the Danish national drink of Gammeldansk (don't be tempted, you won't thank me). Then the visitors departed in separate parties for their various flights. The Round Tablers met at the Lemvig Club House and were ferried to the airport from there. Due to difficulties getting ten tablers and one chiminea in two cars they arrived on the last minute at the airport. After much negotiation at the airport and splitting the obelisk down into three separate parcels which involved using all Billund airport's parcel tape and holding up the outside baggage queue for twenty minutes, it was accepted as baggage and the Tablers could board their plane home. Most departed safely on the Sunday with almost all of their belongings, some who had not overstayed their welcome straggled home later but all members and possessions have now made it home safely to Clitheroe after a splendid celebration and a wonderful weekend they'll always remember.

The details of what happened at WOCO in Hamburg in 1976 and any trip to the Rieperbahn remain, however, shrouded in mystery.

Roger Spensley — Chairman 2016-17 Clitheroe 41 Club



### ROUND TABLE NEW ZEALAND TOURS



#### Welcome to Middle Earth!

Warm greetings from your New Zealand Brothers in the South Pacific, the furthest outpost of Round Table. On the success of this year's Round Table New Zealand 'Nevill Bullock Tour', we invite you to sample the outstanding beauty, high octane activities and friendliness that our country offers.

Our Tour starts in Christchurch on the 26th Feb 2017, travels through McKenzie country past the icy blue glacial waters of Lake Pukaki to Mount Cook, our tallest mountain at 3,724 meters.

The group then moves on to Queenstown, the adventure tourism capital of New Zealand. Experience sky diving, cable cars, luge, jet boats, bungee jumping and paragliding in one cool little town.

Afterward the unspoiled Milford sound National Park awaits. During the tour we stop off at several Round Table clubs, with a chance to socialise over a beer and meet new friends. The

magical coastal pacific scenic railway winds up the mountainous coastline to Blenheim. Wine lovers rejoice as we reach the Marlborough region, famous for its never ending vine-yards and craft beer industry, Our tour concludes in the city of sails, Auckland. Fifteen days of accommodation, meals, travel and good company for the subsidised price of NZD\$1500 (approx. £825). This tour is open to any current Tabler, their partner or 41 Club/Tangent member. As a small national association we appreciate international visitors traveling to our beautiful island, thus keeping us up to date with world-wide Tabling and assisting with our growth. More information at www.roundtabletoursnz.com.

Yours in Table,

# Mark Smith RTNZ National Vice-President Christchurch RT 1.

### We want your news...

This newsletter and the magazine are only as good as you make them. Do you feel that there's not enough about a specific subject that is of interest to you? If so, there's an easy way to fix that. Send me something about that subject!

I can deal with most widely-used file formats so feel free to send in whatever you have. If I have a problem with it I'll get in touch.

If you're unsure what to let me have then just ask! I've never bitten anyone's head off. Yet... You can reach me by e-mail at

comms@41club.org or on my phone on 07477-654796.

If you let me have your copy by the 24th of the month I can get it into the following month's newsletter.

41 Club is also a printed magazine that is issued three times a year and distributed to nearly 16,000 members.

Time to get scribbling!

Godwin Stewart
National Communications Officer

### THE FINAL TOTAL FOR STROKE ASSOCIATION

Immediate Past National President Terry attended a presentation at the Stroke Association offices in Bristol to hand over a cheque for £30,068, which is the final total he collected for the charity last year as our President.

The Stroke Association was delighted with the amount and wishes to thank all of the 41 Clubs and individuals that supported Terry to achieve this figure.

A stroke affects 152,000 people in the UK every year and the amazing work done by the Stroke Association, both in education on the effects of stroke and in support given to Stroke survivors, means that many more people make a full recovery now than was the case in the past.

"The support I received from Amy Spencer and her team in the Bristol Stroke office was exceptional" said Terry, who added, "Working with The Stroke Association during my year as President has been a pleasure and I would also like to thank our members for their generosity in giving so much to such a worthwhile cause".

During his presidential year Terry, along with his wife Lin, trained as Stroke Ambassadors so they can continue to support The Stroke Association in the future.



### AN EVENING WITH ROBIN HOOD AND HIS MOTLEY MEN

#### ...or Forty-Oners get their Chips!



Scarborough 41 Club's September meeting took the form of a taste of Archery with Scarborough Archery based at Osgodby, with a good number of 41 club members taking the opportunity to squeeze into their Lincoln Green tights and mince around a field at Osgodby giving rise to shocked looks from the locals.

After endangering more than one life with excitable firing Simon Lockley took first place for maximum points achieved without killing any person or animal. Our esteemed Secretary who had

won the 2015 event left early in disgust to comfort himself with a plate of fish & chips.

Following the archery experience the 41 clubbers met at Walkers Fish Restaurant for a fish supper up to the excellent standard you can always expect at Walkers.

Following the meal, Avis Turner, director of Basics Plus, gave members an overview of the good works of the Basics Plus charity in enabling those with learning difficulties to gain supported experience of work and make the most of their potential.

Chairman Gordon reminded members present that Basics Plus was Scarborough 41 Club's chosen charity for 2016 and that the Club's November meeting would take the form of a fun Casino evening to take place at the



Crown Spa Hotel aiming to raise money for the charity. Members' attendance at the event would be covered by their monthly direct debit.

The business element of the evening took the form of the induction of Charles Hindle as a welcome new member of the Club.

#### **Stuart Baines**

Scarborough 41 Club Newsletter Editor and Reporter

### 41 CLUB NSSW



Bookings for 41 Club NSSW are going well. For those who haven't booked in yet, don't leave it too late because we only have a certain number of rooms, unless you fancy sharing a 4—man tent!!! <a href="https://www.hgonestop.co.uk/events/9">https://www.hgonestop.co.uk/events/9</a>

### THE GERMAN CONNECTION...



In April 1980, the Lancashire borough of South Ribble and Kreis Schleswig-Flensburg in the North of Germany began a collaboration aiming to further fellowship and mutual benefit between our two nations. The two parties took an oath (quoting from the South Ribble website):

- to strengthen friendships between our communities
- to use mutual endeavours to bring closer together our youthful generations by carrying through exchange programmes
- to establish by all means at our disposal an exchange between the inhabitants, associations, organisations and groups of people in our communities and
- to pursue all routes which will lead to a thriving relationship closely binding our people together.

Leyland RT 665 and Schleswig RT 113 took this oath to heart and since then have been engaging yearly in exchange trips, alternating between the Schleswig Tablers coming to Leyland and the Leyland gang travelling to Schleswig.



None of the Leyland Tablers who participated in the establishment of this twinning are now members of Round Table as they have all reached "chucking out" age, but the now 41 Club members have upheld the tradition and this year it was the Germans' turn to come to Leyland to enjoy a weekend organised with clinical professionalism by Leyland 41 Club's Shaun Thornley.

The German Tablers and OTD members (Old Tablers Deutschland, the German version of 41 Club), their partners and, for the first time this year, their children were greeted at Manchester airport on the Friday afternoon and brought to Leyland in the evening where they were given a buffet meal in a local pub where Leyland RT's Immediate Past Chairman, Richard Horrobin, happens to be a manager. Saturday's entertainment included a trip to Liverpool

to see the Beatles Museum and an excursion to Blackpool to see the illuminations. A farewell brunch was taken on Sunday morning in the same pub as Friday's buffet, followed by a leisurely stroll around Leyland's Worden Park, then our visitors were all taken back to the airport.

All of the Schleswig guys were home hosted by Leyland past Tablers, the atmosphere was great and the Leylanders can't wait until this time next year when they fly over to Schleswig!

Godwin Stewart (Immediate Past Chairman Levland 41 Club)



### Tabler Magazine





#### **REGION 15**

#### HEART OF ENGLAND INAUGURAL DINNER

Friday February 17th 2017

Birmingham Motorcycle Museum

Bar Opens at 6pm dinner from 7-7-30

Celebrating 10 Years of Region 15

(Round Table Area 35/45 41 Clubs)

Were you "Born to Be Wild"? Calling all you "Easy Riders" to join us in celebrating 10 years of Continued Fellowship

Speaker Dinner- Jacket & Tie- £40 MUSEUM OPEN FOR PRE DINNER VIEWING



Contact Greg Fanning- Shirley Late Knights – gregjof@yahoo.co.u

THE DRAGONS PRESENT

18th NOVEMBER 2016

### THE RED ROSE DINNER



An evening of fellowship and entertainment with National President Barry and Guest Speaker

#### **Gerard O'Herlihy**

We will also be paying tribute to the man who started it all – the late Peter Emmett

Book in now by emailing Godwin Stewart at chairman@dragons41.club

for more details and hotel accommodation see www.41club.org/events/518

Tickets £32 - 7.30 for 8.00 - Formal Dress



### Bishop's Stortford 41 Club

50<sup>th</sup> Charter Dinner & Dance Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2016

at

Bury Lodge Hotel, Bury Lodge Lane, Stansted, CM24 8OF

In the presence of

National President Barry Durman Guest Speaker John Spence CBE

> Disco by Dave "Disco" Green Black Tie

7 for 7-30 pm

Carriages at 12-30 am

Tickets £37-50 per person

Booking to Jim Smith, e-mail: bs41club50th@gmail.com

Click here to download a booking form









Tickets: £37.50
Active Round Tablers also welcome!

email: info@Horsforth41.co.uk www.Horsforth41.co.uk



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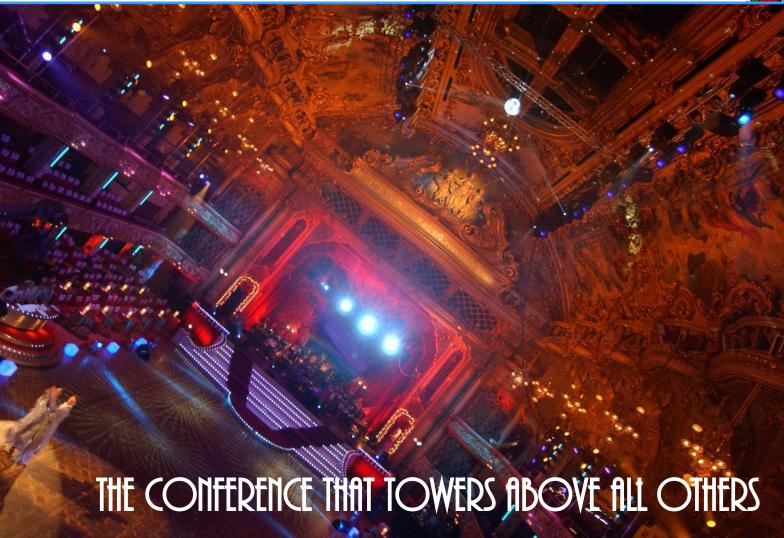
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# THE ASSOCIATION OF EX-ROUND TABLERS' CLUBS



### **Cluster Meeting**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 Saxon Hall, Aviation Way, Southend on Sea, Essex SS2 6UN

A warm welcome to all 41ers and Tablers

Meet friends old & new for a pre-dinner drink

Dinner with:

41 Club National President Barry Durman RTBI National President Mark House

After Dinner Speaker: Ian Irving (Essex-born Comedian)

Traditional roll-call of Clubs & Tables

Charitable raffle

Free Parking

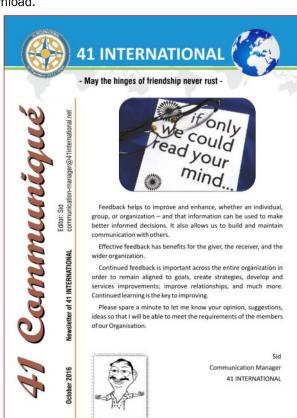
Dinner: 7.15 for 7.45pm Price £30 per head (excluding drinks)

Southend on Sea 41 Club

Click to download a booking form

### 41 International Communiqué

The October 2016 edition is now out! Click on the cover to download.





Sutton 41 are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> birthday, join us and the 41 Club National President, for a fascinating evening to include a superb dinner and after dinner speaker, Robin Horsfall

'Shot, stabbed, almost beaten to death, nearly blown to bits and all before he was 21 years old.'

Robin Horsfall shot and killed one of the terrorists when the SAS stormed the Iranian Embassy in 1980.

He served with the SAS during the Falklands war and on subsequent counter-terrorist operations. Like many SAS men he came from the Parachute Regiment, where he served two tours in Northern Ireland, fighting both the IRA and Loyalist terrorists.

From boy soldier to parachutist, SAS man, Dodi Fayed's bodyguard and international mercenary, Robin's career has taken him to the deserts of Oman, the jungles of South America and the African bush.

Now he is coming to Sutton's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday dinner party to talk about his life and exploits, this is one not to miss!

Date	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November - 7.00pm for 7.30pm	
Venue	Sutton Bowling Club Dorset Road Belmont, Sutton, Surrey, SM2 6JA	
Dinner Cost	£40 per person	
Dress	Lounge Suit	

Tickets are available from: Paul Whitehead E mail: pauldwhitehead@aol.com - Tel: 07760 145628



Do you have an event to shout about?

A Charter Night? A Regional event?

The monthly newsletter is the ideal way to let people know!

Plan for your flyer to occupy

1/4 page A4 and if in doubt
about how to proceed then
don't hesitate to ask the Editor.

You can reach me by e-mail at: comms@41club.org

### 41 Club in the Community

Things are starting to pick up again on the Community Services front after the Summer and I'm delighted to report progress on the formation of several of the new Round Tables we're assisting with.

Oswestry are having an exploratory meeting on October 12th and work is in hand to involve interested parties from Ellesmere Port in the Christmas float activities together with their 41 Club. Both Newport in Gwent and Newport in Shropshire have registered their intentions to restart a Round Table in their Regions and with the assistance of their Round Table Areas they are keen to get things moving.

I must mention here the good work by Shaftesbury and Gillingham 41 Club who raised £3,500 for their local Home-Start charity in Dorset. They did this by holding a Jazz Lunch followed by the Chairman's bike ride from John O'Groats to Land's End and a musical evening with a male voice choir. Well done guys, just what we need to inspire other 41 Clubs to do similar things for fellowship and charity!

Coming up next month is our Remembrance Service in the Round Table Family Garden at the National Memorial Arboretum, Croxall Road, Alrewas, Nr. Burton-on-Trent, Staffs, DE13 7AR on Sunday November 13th at 11:15am. If you've not attended this event before it's an exceptional day and an opportunity to remember members of our gallant armed forces in a peaceful location. Entry to the Arboretum is free on that day but a charitable donation is suggested upon leaving. You need to arrive

early as the main car park soon fills up and, if it's looking likely to be cold or wet, wrap up well as it's a big open space with little cover. However, having said all that, each time I've attended it's been bright sunshine and there's loads to see on a very special day that happens only once every year. You don't need to book, just turn up, however if you want more information give me a call on 07891 761599 and I'll be happy to help.

One of the new initiatives I've been working on this year is to find a National Community Service Project in which 41 Club can be involved in the future and I believe I've found one! Next year, between the middle of April and early July, the





Wreaths from all four Associations in the sunshine after the Ceremony

Teenage Cancer Trust is hoping to organise a sponsored walk from Glasgow to London visiting its units in between. Participants can walk the whole way, a section or just a day as long as they raise sponsorship by the mile. What the Trust needs is volunteers to organise the sections they cannot manage themselves. From our perspective this event would be ideal as an individual Club could manage the start of each section and a different Club could organise the finish of a section. So lots of Clubs are involved but no one Club has a huge amount of work to do. The next stage in this process is for me to propose this to our National Council at our meeting in October for its approval. Therefore I'm not going into any more detail for the moment until Council approves our involvement,

Finally, I would like to remind everyone about "The Millennium Way", which is already a 41 Club supported project and one you can take advantage of tomorrow. All you need to do is Google the "Millennium Way" to find the numerous beautiful walks available around the Birmingham Area and then go and walk one. Do it now before the winter weather comes and the nights start to draw in!

which I hope it will.

Well that's it from me for this month but please send me news on your own Club's Community Service activities so I can include you in my column next time.

Yours in Continued Friendship,

#### **Terry Cooper**

Immediate Past National President





## COME AND DINE IN THE DREAMING SPIRES OF OXFORD!



#### THE 2016 OXFORD COLLEGE DINNER

EXETER COLLEGE TURL STREET, OXFORD OX1 3DP

FRIDAY 11th NOVEMBER 2016 7:30 for 8:00pm



GUEST SPEAKER

PAUL MAYHEW-ARCHER Writer of The Vicar of Dibley

Writer of The Vicar of Dibley and many other TV & radio comedy programmes.







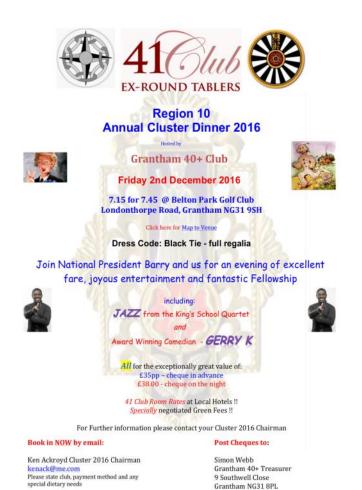
EXETER COLLEGE DINING HALL

TICKETS £45
CONTACT: ANDREW HOARE
aghoare@btinternet.com
07568 398453

3 COURSE MEAL GUEST SPEAKER NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S VISIT CHARITY 'HEADS AND TAILS'

ORGANISED BY ABINGDON & DISTRICT 41 CLUB







### LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS, MOSELEY STYLE...



Our club was affiliated on the 6th September 1961 and over many recent years has not been one to organise fund raising events for charitable causes. So an excellent opportunity arose when our club Chairman Ken Scivyer was approached by Roger Howels, a former member of Monkspath Rotary Club Solihull that closed some years ago, to revive and organise a Proms Night in Wrens Chapel at Wroxall Abbey Hotel and Estate. The Abbey was the former home of Christopher Wren and is only a few miles from Knowle and Warwick in the West Midlands. Roger indicated that in the past the event had raised many thousands of pounds for charity and he was confident that our club could make a success in organising it again as a charitable event.



So, at a subsequent meeting of Moseley 41 Club, Roger Howels was invited to attend and brief members and recommend that our club organise a Proms black tie event on the 16th September 2016. The club supported the recommendation and as a result invitations were sent out to all of our Clubs in Region 15 via Tom Atkins our National Councillor. Very quickly reservations were made by Atherstone, Coleshill, Shirley Late Nights and Wythall 41 Clubs and we invited Rotary clubs from Solihull and Edgbaston to support us.

93 members, partners, family and friends attended a three course dinner. Our National President Barry Durman and his charming wife Rachel were in attendance and Barry responded to the toast to our guests and spoke briefly (honest) about his cycling endeavours and his Presidential Charity 'Shelter'. During the course of the meal everyone participated in a Heads and Tails that was played out for a bottle of champagne sponsored by the hotel. Raffle tickets were sold for five prizes. Guests then made their way to Wrens Chapel, a short

walk across the car park lit up by night lights provided by the hotel. The hotel dressed the chapel in traditional flags and bunting and provided flags for us to wave. The orchestra provided song sheets for us to demonstrate how well we could sing.



The Leamington Sinfonia conducted by Thomas Payne played a medley of songs from World War 1 to get us warmed up followed by Jerusalem, the Dambusters March, Fantasia on British Sea Songs (Rule Britannia), Pomp and Circumstance etc. Followed by the walk back to the hotel for coffee and drinks from the cash bar. Everyone was then entertained for an hour by Natasha who sang a selection of songs getting many to dance, sing and swing to.

We wish to thank our sponsors Miller and Carter of Solihull, Jiggs Nail and Beauty, Solihull and not least Wroxall Abbey Hotel for their kind sponsorship and excellent service in providing discounted rooms with bed and breakfast, the cost of the orchestra, printing of the menus etc.



The event proved to be a great success and a sum in excess of £1,200 was raised, which we are able to share between two nominated charities 'Shelter' and the 'Invictus Foundation'. Thanks to Roger Howels It is our intention to organise another 'Prom' next year making it an annual fund raising event. Many guests have already indicated their support for next year so we must have got something right and I call that a result.

Mike Foley Moseley 41 Club

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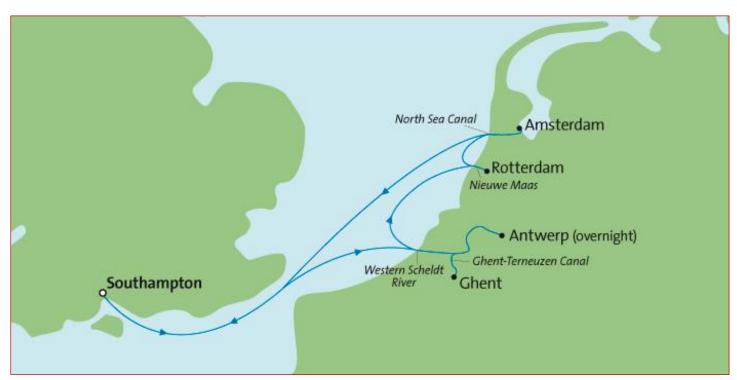
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