



## THE MILLENNIUM WALK

Just back from completing the 100 Millennium Way, which I walked with Hugh Milward our National Sales Officer to raise the profiles of our Association and the OYT - my Presidential Charity.

Without doubt, Hugh and I experienced 41 Club at its very best. The help, friendship, hospitality, encouragement, generosity and banter, not only made the walk possible [certainly for me as I managed to get a huge and very painful blister on the first day of the walk and would have packed up had it not been for everyone around me] but also made the walk a lot of fun! 41 Club is alive and well - of that there is no doubt.

Someone said to me - 'it's just like old times...we are actually doing something!' The term 'still Table-ing' fits us very well indeed!

My deepest thanks to everyone who made this walk possible. From Chris and Ralph who managed the entire project to those who welcomed us into their homes and gave us a bed for the night, to the many clubs who entertained us in the evening and to those who took a day off to walk with us - even from as far away as Hornchurch - you have given Hugh and myself an experience to remember for the rest of our lives.

And a special thanks to Pershore 41 Club who arranged the spectacular welcome at the end of the journey with Champagne, the MP and Mayor of the town as well as a young lady who kindly bathed my feet [bless her] and lunch and brass bands! Your kindness reduced me to tears.

If your club would like to sponsor me for the walk - £1 for every mile - it will be gratefully received and will go a long way toward the £80,000 I hope we can raise together this year for OYT. Thanks again to so many people for a truly memorable 2 weeks. Yours in Continued Friendship,

**Malcolm**

### THE BIG ISSUU

In our attempt to make access to both the Links magazine and the monthly newsletter more readily available to members with internet access, all past issues of the newsletter and the last 4 magazines are now available on ISSUU.COM. This is a free service that enables us to publish them in an easy to view book style presentation. Use this link to view all of our currently available publications:

<http://issuu.com/grindleybrook/docs>

For those with those with slow connections or out-of-date versions of the Acrobat viewer this may be a preferable method of reading the journals and it also allows you to print any single pages that you may require. We do appreciate that those with very low resolution screens may have some problems panning around the screen, but for many it should prove to be a very easy to use solution, without having to download the whole file.

You will need to click on the 'Fullscreen' button in the top left hand corner of the screen to be able to read it and you can zoom in on any part of the page.

Viewing on ISSUU also gives links to other documents you may find interesting (many Round Tables and Rotaries publish there as well) and it also means that other organisations will gain access to our publications. Consequently ex-Tablers who have never joined 41 Club may have sight of our club activities and we may get new members this way.

Please have a look and see how you find this method. As always we will be interested in your views. Please note that this is not a replacement for the existing method of distribution, but an additional service to our members. The address again is <http://issuu.com/grindleybrook/docs>



President Malcolm being presented with his certificate for completing the walk by the MP for West Worcestershire, Harriet Baldwin and the Mayor of Pershore, Chris Parsons.



### WELCOME TO THE SILLY SEASON

As every editor knows, July and August are always the silly season for news. This has proven no exception for News@41Club.Org, for after many months of trying to pack items into the newsletter there have been very few contributions for this issue. Also due to personal holidays the press date was very early this month and I have decided to hand over the editorial spot to a recently appointed 41 Club chairman (who has asked to remain anonymous).

He has passed on his recent experiences and his feelings with regard to the futures of both Round Table and 41 Club.

Normal service will hopefully return next month, but perhaps you would like to consider submitting a guest editorial for the September issue. We will respect a request for anonymity if required.

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEWS@41CLUB.ORG

Please send contributions to [news@41club.org](mailto:news@41club.org)  
The copy date for the September issue is Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

Editor: Ray Hill  
National Councillor Region 11

# GUEST EDITORIAL



## ACTIVE OR NOT SO ACTIVE? EXPERIENCES OF A NEW 41 CLUB CHAIRMAN.

Let me say first of all that I am a new boy! Relatively new to both Table and 41. Like the new boy on the block, I have a lot to learn!

So, in preparing for my year as Chairman of 41 Club I decided that my learning curve should start with making a point of speaking to many of our members on a one to one basis, to learn more about the history and more particularly how they "saw" 41 Club. What is it they enjoy about it? What did they dislike about it? What, if any were their aspirations for the Club? What is their 41 Club all about? I also invited the new Chairman of our feeder Table to meet with me, as we were in the "same boat". Albeit, for the incoming Round Table Chairman this is not his first go in the Chair, due to the small number of members in his Club. Where have you heard that before I wonder? What I learnt from these meetings has been extremely well articulated in the National Newsletter over the past few months by many 41 Club Chairman around the country and by National! Some members of 41 do see the Club as just supporting Table when they can, and 41 Club helping them to continue friendships by meeting their pals at our monthly meetings. They certainly do not see the Club getting involved in community activities and/or fund raising. This is "what they did in Table" (albeit some 20 years ago!). They've "done their stint" "now its down to others.... in Table" They clearly view it as the responsibility of the Table to do community projects, fund raising etc. It seems that once out of Table and into 41 the Table ethos, aims, objects etc dim from the memory in some cases! I have also learnt they have in the past basically vetoed any change that has been put forward by previous Chairmen. They have effectively blocked 41 Club from getting involved in community and fund raising in the name of 41 Club. And as a result of this who is it that loses out? Surely it is the community; the charities and of course..... in the long term..... 41 Club. Encouragingly, yes it is not all doom and gloom(!) I have found there are members who not only appreciate the problems that have apparently festered for years, but they actually want to do something about it. They want to do more than just have a meal and a get together once a month. Yes, we have an annual social programme, just as long as it does not include community or fund raising projects, but they were well aware of the need to change the situation. Interestingly, most if not all, of those I spoke with in 41 are well aware of the problems; a lack of numbers in table; the lack of Ex-Tablers who do not join 41 Club and of course current members of our Club who are far from happy with simply maintaining the status quo. These issues apparently have been around year after year... probably each new Chairman has taken his seat with aspirations similar to mine. They will no doubt have questioned what 41 Club is all about!

The issues have seemingly not been properly debated as when the subject has been raised it has been "shouted down" by what may be a minority. As a result the Club has meandered on as it did before, risking the fate that has seen other 41 Clubs fold. Meeting the Chair elect of our feeder Table was excellent! The Table are aware of the problems and are also concerned at the number of Tablers who leave them who do not join 41. "41 is viewed, as has been included in the Newsletter, as an old man's dinner Club". The Table Chair knows my view on all of this and what I'm trying to do

about it: But of course as much as Table need the help of 41 Club, we need their help in promoting 41 Club to those leaving their Tables. Yes, like others around the country, we also have Table "cling ons". Presidents and Honoraries that passed Table age years ago but did not see 41 Club as being attractive so do all they can to stay with their Table. We in 41 have to do what we can to change this. Yes, I see 41 supporting and promoting the Table whenever we can. It is, of course, in all our best interests to have thriving RTs that attract more members, and we in 41 can help, but we also need an active and attractive 41 Club that ex-Tablers will want to experience, rather than just walk away.

That means offering some or all of the activities they did in Table; to provide them with the opportunity to continue what they enjoyed about Table, but from within 41 Club. I am trying to get the Club to address these issues, I would like to ensure the Club has flexibility in what it does. To allow those that want to do more to get on with it, while those that don't; don't. If that means "Active" or semi active, so be it.

I'm pleased to see that this attempt to change the aims and objects of our Club happens to coincide with the National initiatives, so the approach being promoted Nationally is "music to my ears". In my view the more National can promote active 41 Clubs through the Newsletter and, more particularly, by visiting Clubs to address them on all of this, the better it will be both for 41 and Table...the music in my ears will become deafening!!

## BRAINTEASER



There are three switches downstairs. Each corresponds to one of the three light bulbs in the attic. You can turn the switches on and off and leave them in any position.

How would you identify which switch corresponds to which light bulb, if you are only allowed one trip upstairs?

The answer is on the back page.



We now have an entry on Wikipedia, the world's largest on-line encyclopedia. The entry will gradually be developed over the next few months and can be found here:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/41\\_Club](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/41_Club)

## SOME THOUGHTS FOR AUGUST

When I'm not in my right mind, my left mind gets pretty crowded.

Everyone has a photographic memory. Some just don't have film.

You know the speed of light, so what's the speed of dark?

I poured Spot remover on my dog. Now he's gone.

The evening news is where they begin with 'Good Evening', and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.

# CLUB NEWS

CLUB WEBSITE OF THE MONTH  
ST. ALBANS 41 CLUB



<http://stalbans41club.co.uk>

## 41 CLUB FORUM

<http://41forum.notlong.com>

WHY NOT GIVE IT A TRY

### EASTERN REGION CHARITY GOLF DAY

70 players from 16 Clubs in regions 16, 17, 18 and 19 took part in the 8<sup>th</sup> ERCGD at Channels Golf, Chelmsford.

The watered fairways allowed for good scoring despite rain during the first two hours of play. £1000.00 was raised for the winning teams nominated charities.

The prizes were presented by President Malcolm Lockey at the dinner held in The Barn at Channels Golf Club.

Charity Team competition:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Colneside Retreads A (National Assoc Chrons & Colitis)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gt Dunmow (St Clare Hospice)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Hemel Hempstead (Anthony Nolan Bone Marrow Trust)

Regional Qualifier for National Competition:



- Region 17: Colneside Retreads A
  - Region 18: Gt Dunmow
  - Region 19: Hemel Hempstead
- Individual event:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mike Mays Colneside Retreads
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Williams Edgware
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Gordon Rodgers Colneside Retreads

The event in 2011 will again be held at Channels Golf Club Chelmsford on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2011.



### INTRODUCING YOUR NEW NATIONAL COUNCILLOR



REGION 14 – TERRY WELLS  
Occupation, Accountant  
Wife, Joy, retired physio  
Two daughters, Sue and Nicola (both 40 something)  
Three grandchildren, Hayley (18), Jack(15), Joe(11)  
Past Chair Cannock RT  
Ditto Cannock 41  
Hobbies, photography, supporting Wolverhampton speedway, with grandson Jack

### IMAGES FROM THE MILLENNIUM WALK

A true leader of men, clearing the track and showing them the way.



But not always!

And why do so many of the photographs feature public houses in the background?  
Oh yes, this is 41 Club!



FISHING TICKLE FOR SALE

Have you heard of the angling shop that put the above sign in their shop window? Every day several passers-by called in the shop to point out the error, and of course they all bought something whilst they were in there. A great marketing ploy! I wonder if the members of Meran 41 Club are using the same technique with their poster for the 30<sup>th</sup> Chestnut Festival?



**Club 41 Meran invite you**

# Chestnut Festival

**PROGRAM:**  
**Thursday, 04. November 2010 (Pre program)**  
 Registration starts at 17.00 o'clock in the Hotel Marlingerhof  
 At 20 o'clock, "Italian evening" with Italian Kitchen + wines to celebrate the 30. Chestnut festival. Euro 35.-  
**Friday, 05. November 2010**  
 Registration starts at 12.00 o'clock in the Hotel Marlingerhof  
 At 20 o'clock, "Get together in the Hotel". Euro 25.-  
**Sunday, 06. November 2010**  
 We make a hike in the areas of Castle Rametz with a kind of meal of snack at midday. Then return walk to the castle with following visit of the wine museum and cellar with a welcome drink included.  
 After this we will celebrate the Chestnut Festival. Euro 90.-  
**Sunday, 07. November 2010**  
 For those interested we organize a trip by bus to Verona (Start: 10.00 o'clock) where the local 41 club organize the "Olive festival" by a olive oil producer. There is the possibility to buy different olive oil products directly from the producer. Lunch at the olive oil producers place. Back drive at 16.00 o'clock with arrival to Meran at 18.00 o'clock around. Cost: Euro 28.- + Bus transfer charge

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 Mail: info@hotel-marlinghof.it, www.hotel-marlinghof.it (Distance to Castle Rametz: 9 km)  
 Double room: Euro 45/Person/Night/Break, Single room: Euro 35/Person/Night/Break  
 Hotel Riedinger, 39012 Meran, SchernstraÙe 45, +39-0473-233 273, Mail: info@riedingerhof.com, www.riedingerhof.com (Distance to Castle Rametz: 180m)  
 Double room: Single room: Euro 42/Person/Night/Break  
 Hotel Vesperhof, 39012 Meran, SchernstraÙe 47, +39-0473-232 492, Mail: info@hotel-vesperhof.it, www.hotel-vesperhof.it (Distance to Castle Rametz: 200m)  
 Double room: Single room: Euro 42/Person/Night/Break  
 Gams Koller, 39019 Dorf Tried, Hauptstraße 41, +39-0473-923 348, Mail: info@gams-koller.com, www.gams-koller.com (Distance to Castle Rametz: 3 km, 6.5 km to the hotel Marlingerhof)  
 Double room: Single room: Euro 25/Person/Night/Break

Please book your Hotel directly. Code name: Club 41 Meran



Calling all Leicestershire Ex-Round Tablers and 41 Club Members

Leicester De Montfort 41 Club cordially invite you to the first ever

**Leicestershire Cluster Meeting**

**Where:**  
**Leicestershire Golf Club**  
 Evington Lane,  
 Leicester, LE5 6DJ [map](#)

**When:**  
**Wednesday**  
**29 September 2010**  
 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm

**Guest Speakers:**  
**Malcolm Lockey** - National President 41 Club  
**John Spence OBE, FCIBS, FIFS, FRSA**  
 (Actually Canon Dr. John Spence OBE, DL, but who wants all that?!)  
 In 2006 John was awarded Round Table, GB & Ireland, Founders Award for lifetime contribution. This is a rare opportunity to hear one of the best speakers ever to grace a Round Table or 41 Club dinner!

**Programme:**  
 First and Foremost - Fun and Fellowship. Meet old friends and catch up on times past.  
 Listen and challenge what Malcolm Lockey has to say about the future of 41 Club.  
 Be inspired by John Spence's views on the future of Table.

**Menu**  
 Homemade Chicken Liver Pile  
 Served with Marbled Toast & Homemade Rolls  
 Roast Leg of Lamb with a Red Wine Jus  
 Red Cornish Turkey & Herb Sticks  
 Selection of Veggie Pies  
 Fruit Crumble & Clafoutis for Cheese & Secoly  
 Coffee

**Ticket Price**  
**£20.00**  
 Few places  
 Please make cheques payable to Leicester De Montfort 41 Club  
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**Dress**  
**Lounge Suit**

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RTBI MAY APPRECIATE YOUR HELP

RTBI has purchased hundreds of thousands of cards to distribute to potential Tablers' homes. They have been passed on to the Areas and Tables most in need of new members, but these are the very Tables with low membership and so few members to deliver them. Why not contact your local Tables and see if you can help, and if your Table is thriving then consider helping others not so fortunate. After all a good evening walk with a pub at the end cannot be all bad.

NEWSLETTER CHANGES

Thanks for the changes to the emailed newsletter - as one who suggested some of the changes on behalf of our members here in Dorset where broadband is still a distant dream for some and speeds for others are slow, it really has made a difference.

I note your comments in the edition about the difficulties of pleasing everyone - sadly it will always be a compromise as I know only too well as the editor and distributor of a national weekly ebulletin - but the one thing I have learnt is that keeping it simple does help attract and retain readers.

This edition is easier to read and, I guess, download although I personally don't have the speed problem living very close to the telephone exchange.

Thanks again.

The hard work really is appreciated.

**Trevor Bevins, Secretary, Dorchester 41 Club**



POSTBOX

Send your letters to  
[news@41club.org](mailto:news@41club.org)

WEARING THE BADGE

My wife and I have just returned from a 13 day cruise on which there were 3 formal dinners and 7 informal dinners where jackets were encouraged. Of the 900 passengers most of whom seemed to be well into the 41 club age range, I could find no one else wearing a 41 Club badge. It is difficult to believe that there were no past Tablers aboard!! Do we no longer wear the badge with pride?

**David Tomlin, Ware and District 41 Club**

I have to agree with David as I went on a cruise last year, 3,600 passengers and I was the only one wearing a 41 Club badge. There must have been many more members on board, so why no badges? **Editor**

## 41 CLUB SALES

### NEW NAME BAR ENGRAVING COLOUR

Due to popular demand and responding to member's feedback, 41 Club Sales is now able to supply "Blue" engraving on Name Bars. Up until the time that the Sales Web Page Order Form is changed, please ring 01702 478425 to place your order.

The standard engraving colours are still available.

[WWW.41CLUBSALES.COM](http://WWW.41CLUBSALES.COM)

### JEWEL ORDER BACK LOG NOW CLEARED

I am pleased to report that all outstanding 41 Club Sales Jewels and Name bars orders have now been processed and shipped. So if anyone is still waiting then perhaps they would get in direct touch with Paul Finch on [paul.finch@spares4appliances.co.uk](mailto:paul.finch@spares4appliances.co.uk) citing the order ID number and date placed as Paul will be pleased to respond.

41 Club Sales informs me that they are now holding a large stock of blanks on all types of jewels, so going forward (unless they get a large batch at once) – they should be able to turn any new orders around within 7-10 days.

My apologies to all members for the problems earlier this year – the process has been completely reengineered and vastly improved.

**Hugh Milward, National Sales & Marketing Officer**

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### SUMMERTIME SPECIAL OFFER

A 41 Club golfing umbrella and a baseball cap for just £12.99 (List price £19.99) plus carriage and handling.

An offer too good to miss, but it is only available until the end of August, so place your order now by ringing 01702 478425, quoting Summertime Special

### 41 CLUB PROMOTION BANNERS

Two 41 Club promotion Banners are now available to be used by Clubs and Regions at dinners and events. Each Banner, measuring 2.00m x 60cm, displays the 41 Club logo, with space to temporarily attach other details as required.

The Banners were used to great effect at the end of the National President's Millennium Walk.

The Banners are freely available on loan via the National Sales & Marketing Officer, the only cost being post and packaging.

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## National Sporting Weekend 2010

### The Lancaster Bomber

St Martins Campus, University of Cumbria in Lancaster

3 - 5 September 2010

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Hi Guys. It would be great to see even more 41 Club Members at the Tabling Event of the Year. There is still time to book, but hurry because you will want to be in the main campus and in the thick of it.

### BRAINTEASER ANSWER

Turn on switch 1 and 2. After a few minutes turn off switch 2 and go upstairs to the attic where the lights are.  
The bulb that is on is switch 1.  
The bulb that is still hot is switch 2.  
The cold bulb is switch 3.  
Mind you do not burn your hand though!

AND FINALLY ..... THE END OF AN EPIC 100 MILES.....



The full story will appear in the Autumn edition of the Links magazine. Blisters and all.

