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Please pass on to all 41 club members in your club.

### **“Get One In”**

As part of an initiative to support the membership of Round Table or Circle we would like to collect the names of contacts of 41 Club members who are of Table/Circle age but not members. The intention is to pass these details to Table & Circle who will contact them direct to tell them about the Round Table family and invite them to a taster meeting. I know most of us have connections in different parts of the country so don't limit this to local people. It doesn't matter if there isn't a Table or Circle in your location what we want is names and warm contacts. If you do have a local Table or Circle all the better just introduce them in direct. If you do this please let me or your Regional Councillor know the names so we can track our success.

Round Table & Circle has changed a lot since most of us left and whilst we might be able to encourage them along it is far better for Table & Circle to tell them direct about the current organisations. We recognise the many reasons why people have not joined Table or Circle ranging from no local club, haven't got the time, we don't like what they do etc etc but in our view it should be a question of don't say No until you've heard what it's all about and then you can make a decision based on your own circumstances. Round Table has some excellent new membership initiatives and whilst overall numbers are still falling it is encouraging that the rate of induction of new members is on the increase. What is also encouraging is the number of new and revived Circles opening over the past 12 months.

We are of course mindful of Data Protection Legislation and to cover this it is important that we have their permission. If you want to help us to help Round Table please ask your close family members, work colleagues or other contacts of Table Age if they can complete the attached form. It would be really helpful if the forms could be collated at club level before sending on. Please send completed forms to include names, addresses and e-mail addresses back to me at the above address. Once I have collated the information I will liaise with my colleagues in Round Table and Circle and a direct contact will be made.

Our target market is of course the 18 – 45 year olds but specifically the 25-35 age bracket. Let's try and make this initiative work. Remember that one of our key purposes is to support Round Table and the Round Table family. I look forward to receiving lots of forms.

Yours in Continued Friendship

**Jim Smith**  
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