

The Palindrome

The Region 14 : 41 Club Quarterly Newsletter

Editorial

It has been a busy time and many thanks to those clubs who have invited me to come along to one of their meetings. I would still love to visit those clubs who have yet to reach out and you can contact me either by phoning me on 07708 949339 or alternatively e-mail me at region14@41club.org.

Once again, conference was a first class event and the team at Torquay put on a superb event. Andrew Mackereth has taken over as President from Phil Ellis. Next year, Cardiff host the event over the weekend Thursday 2nd April to Sunday 5th April. Before that, the National Sports & Social Weekend is taking place at the Potters Resort in Hopwood between Friday 7th and Sunday 9th February. Last year the inaugural event was probably the best 41 Club event I have attended, so book in quick to enjoy a great weekend of fellowship. In International news, Barry Durman has been elected International President elect and will take the up the position in 4 years time. Many congratulations to our Past President.

Of the 25 clubs in the region, only 5 have feeder clubs and if you think down the road, it will mean that 41 Clubs are going to disappear as the membership gets older and they do not replace itself with retiring Tablers. As 41ers, one of our objectives is to support Table, so if you have the names of relatives, friends or work mates who are of Table age, please pass them on to me and I would be more than happy to liaise with the Round Table membership team, who will put on a Discover Round Table event in an effort to open Tables, boost membership of existing Tables and thereby sustaining the future of 41 Club.

This is the third of the quarterly newsletters, to keep you all updated with what is going on around the country and if there is anything you want to promote in it to the rest of the region, just let me know.

Capitation

We have not heard anything from West Bromwich 41 Club nor Stourport-on-Severn & District 41 Club for a couple of years and despite not paying capitation, they still appear in the region list. I am going to move to have them disaffiliated, but before I do that, if anybody has any contact with any of the members, if they could let me know, I would be happy to talk to them, rather than see them disappointed.

Other than the 41 Club I know about, there is only one other who has not paid their capitation, so thank you to everyone else for being so prompt in your payments.

To avoid confusion about why the bill is sent out in January, when the AGM is not until April. It is because the 41 Club year runs from January 1st to December 31st, so that the accounts are ready for publication at the AGM.

Deputy Regional Councillor

I am still on the lookout for a Deputy Regional Councillor. If anyone is interested, please get in touch and I will be happy to talk you through the expectations and time demands.

Upcoming Events

Friday 18th October – White Rose Dinner – Castle Park Doncaster

This is a well-supported event and at just £35 you can enjoy a traditional Yorkshire dinner, a brass band, a comedian, a guest speaker, and rugby world cup themed events. To book in, contact Jeff Wray on 07966 593364

Friday 8th November – Red Rose Dinner – Clifton Arms Hotel, Lytham

Not to be outdone, Lancashire are holding their dinner. For £30 you can enjoy a three-course meal, the Freckleton Prize Brass Band and a number of guest speakers, including the former High Sheriff of Lancashire. All enquiries to Martin Williamson on 07519 606902 or mkwmendip@sky.com

Saturday 16th November - Oxford College Luncheon – St Hilda's College, Oxford

For £39, you can enjoy a 3 course lunch in the magical surrounds of an Oxford college. Booking details can be found here. <http://www.123formbuilder.com/form-3792095/oxford-college-lunch>

Saturday 16th November – LCI Gin-gle Bell Ball – Castle Hotel, Windsor

In an unprecedented double header, why not make full use of the coffee course in Oxford and head down to Windsor for Alex Bennett, our very own LCI President, hosting her ball in Windsor. The price is £55 and more information can be found at gin.glebellball19@gmail.com

Friday 7th to Sunday 9th February 2020 – National Social and Sporting Weekend – Potters Resort, Hopwood

A selection of sports include, rally karts, off road Segway's, darts, snooker, table tennis, badminton, ten pin bowling, laser shooting, curling, target bowls and golf. 2 nights full board package from £240. Full details can be obtained from Kelly Clarke region17@41club.org

Saturday 29th February 2020 – Joint National Presidents' Charity Ball – Crewe Hall Hotel

Tangent & 41 Club come together for a joint ball. £55 for a ticket with a brass band and a rock band for entertainment. Click here for the booking form. <https://www.41club.org/files/2019-04-17/RNLI-Ball-booking-form1556113984.pdf>

Yours in continued Friendship
Jim Conway