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HYM Focus

Gentlemen,

The 41 INTERNATIONAL Board has felt that it is time to move forward-rapidly.

The collective wisdom of the members of the International board has concluded that the Half Yearly Meetings could be used to gather the opinion and suggestions of the member countries and reserve the reporting of activities to the Annual General Meetings. The Half Yearly Meetings should be changed from **reporting to discussing** meeting.

With this in mind, a **WORKSHOP** session is being planned for the next HYM to be held in Blenheim, New Zealand.

The focus for the next HYM was decided to be **"How to improve 41 INTERNATIONAL and what does your country expect from it."**

Please discuss the above subject and share your country's thoughts and suggestions. If we can have a constructive and meaningful discussion, it will be time well spent.

Looking forward to a beginning of a progressive interaction in October. Your voice, your support will ensure that we head towards the right direction.

Yours sincerely,

Sid

Secretary, 41 INTERNATIONAL



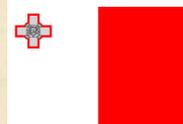
FORTHCOMING EVENTS



October 2014
Germany
HYM 10-12 October 2014
Ingolstadt



Switzerland
AGM 17-19 October 2014
Basel



Malta
AGM October 24-26 2014
Malta



New Zealand - HYM 2014
31st October-2nd November
HYM 41 International - 2014
October 31- November 02
Blenheim (New Zealand)



Belgium
AGM 3-5 October 2014
Tienen



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41 INTERNATIONAL YAPPING- 2014

I returned home one hour ago and I'm still full of all the impressions of the last four weeks. It was truly amazing. The members of the 41ers clubs and the round tables we met were very hospitable and kind. I was impressed by how they managed their businesses. I've been allowed to experience the lifestyle of 11 different host families and see so many beautiful sides of India. The program was always very full, which made it possible to do more than I would have expected to be possible in one month. We started the tour in Chennai, then we went to Pondicherry, Vellore, Bangalore, Mysore, Ooty, Coimbatore, Thrissur, Kollam, Alleppey, Vizhag and we ended in Hyderabad. The first 24 days we travelled with a van and from Vizhag we took a night train to Hyderabad. The things we've done and seen are extremely diverse. We visited many temples, churches and mosques; we went to many factories, such as a cashew nut factory, a soap factory, a rubber mat factory and others. We sat on an elephant and got to see many more in parks. We had snakes around our necks, went bungee jumping and laser tagging and visited hospitals and universities. We got to go on boat tours in Allepey and Vizhag, both in lakes and the sea, which was so beautiful and so much fun. I was very impressed by a place nearby the lake in Vizhag where a woman took care of disabled children, such an inspiring undertaking. I also got to see many other honourable projects the 41 clubs support, building schools and a place where disabled women could work, producing particles for cars. My last host mother was principle at a school for orphans. In Pondicherry we were shown the impact of the French colonizers, which was really different from the rest of India, which was of course mainly colonized by the British. On top of that we were also taken to spiritual places such as Auroville and Buddhist temples. In the evenings we got to meet many people and we had many parties, such a good time.

There are still many things I haven't even mentioned, but I think it's clear that I really had an amazing time and I feel very grateful that you gave me this opportunity. I've become very close with the other members of the group and I know we're going to stay in touch. We already planned to go and visit each other's places.

Thanks a lot for these wonderful weeks,

Isabel-YAP 2014



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Festival of the month –OCTOBER

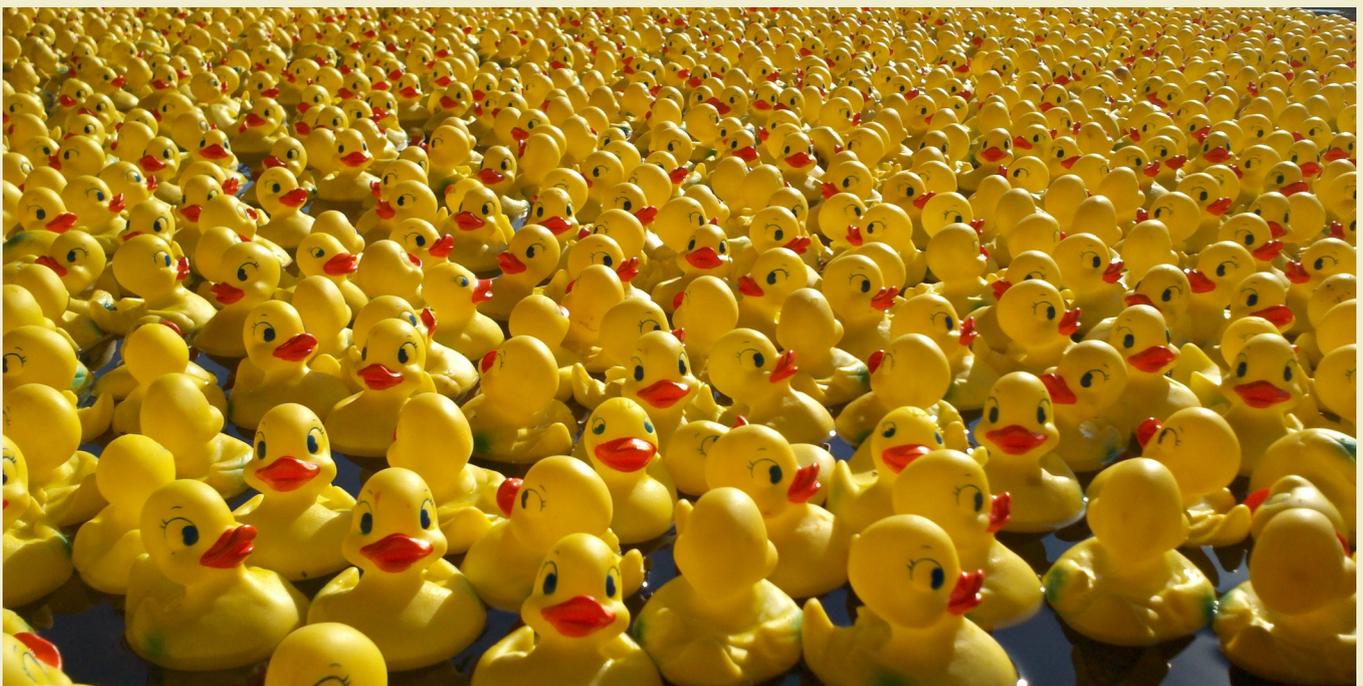
Germany's annual rubber duck race

Alleenbrücke, Tübingen, Baden-Württemberg

It's not exactly the Running of the Bulls. Indeed, the ducks involved in this bridge-to-bridge race aren't even alive: they're the yellow, rubber species whose usual habitat is the bathtub. Nonetheless, Tübingen's annual contest is spectacular, if inexplicable. In a random, Germanic version of the 'Poohsticks' game enjoyed by Piglet et al in *Winnie-the-Pooh*, a truck dumps some 7000 duckies into the Neckar River from Alleenbrücke. The sunflower-coloured shower is accompanied by cheers from crowds lining the river banks. Many of the spectators are clutching a ticket with a number



corresponding to one of the speeding water demons. The first synthetic contender past the finishing line at Neckarbrücke wins its patron a €1000 holiday voucher, with plenty of other prizes for runners-up.

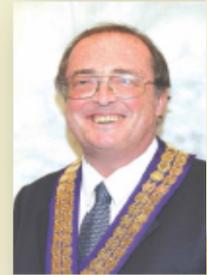


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Note from Archivist

I had hoped during my time as Archivist to do the following:

1. Obtain up-to-date directories from ALL countries, electronic where possible, or hard copies. If we keep these yearly it will enable the Organisation to provide valuable information to all members travelling throughout the world to meet other 41 Club international members.
2. Obtain banners and pin badges of all Association members to keep in the Archives.
3. Update with Jill's help the history of the Organisation which was prepared by Erik Miller during his lifetime. To this end I will be contacting Member Association International Officers to provide missing information.



Archivist
Vaughan
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Note from Ray Hill

National Communications Officer GB&I

2014 is the 40th Anniversary of the founding of Anthony Nolan, a charity with which the Round Table family has a long history. To celebrate the occasion GB&I President Jim Smith has selected Anthony Nolan as the charity for his year.

Please help support a charity which is so close to our hearts.

Yours in Continued Friendship

Ray Hill

National Communications Officer GB&I



The Jewel of the Swiss

Michael Hüther, Zweibrücken had moved to Switzerland a few years ago and joined 41 Switzerland. In 2011 he was appointed secretary of the Swiss board; therefore he got the Secretary jewel. Soon after, probably beginning 2012, he moved back to Germany but failed to give back the Secretary jewel.

41 Switzerland tried very hard to get it back, but in vain, Michael informed that the chain had most probably disappeared in one of his many moving boxes.

The fight to get it back lasted more than 2 years.

Beginning of August Christoph Haenssler got an Email from Michael saying:

"I have found some boxes and looked through them; guess what I found, the Secretary jewels."

Christoph told him that he would be in Hanau at Engelbert's place the weekend of the 16th August.

Michael came by and handed over the Secretary's Collar.



Welcome to...
2014 HYM
41 INTERNATIONAL



"SQUARE LEGS"

In India Round Tablers on attaining the magic age of 40, leave the organisation due to age rule and then are called as "Square Legs" (till they join 41 Clubs) as they are meant to support the Round Tables. They are addressed as Square Leg Ajit and so on in all communications. Does this practice exist in any other Country?
 Can members provide feedback?



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