41 CLUB NEW ZEALAND

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - 2011

It is with great pleasure I present to you my President's report for the 2011 Annual General Meeting.

The year has certainly passed by quickly no doubt helped by the fact I managed to get an acceptable offer on my business the same week I became President.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those members who have helped make my job easier. On top of the list is Derek Johns without whose input I am sure our club would struggle to exist. Derek spends many hours on 41 Club business and without his advice the job would have been much harder for me. Derek I would like this opportunity to personally thank you and acknowledge on behalf of all club members the input you put into the club.

I would also like to thank Chas Perry who did a wonderful job in chasing up subscriptions from our clubs and doing a great job with our financial accounts. Peter Butchart for keeping our website up to date it certainly is well worth visiting on the internet. Mike Cummins for the Secretary duties and no doubt his guidance for me at the AGM.

As I have highlighted in several letters during the year I am concerned about the future of 41 Club at a National level. No club has put up their hand to host any convention in the future. If we do not have clubs to run our conventions it will make running National a rather difficult task and will require a change to the way we do business.

I have arranged a meeting of previous National Presidents attending convention in Nelson to hopefully come up with some ideas before the AGM.

Derek has been busy organizing two tours this year. The first around the lower part of the South Island was very successful and was thoroughly enjoyed by both the overseas and kiwi participants. A big thanks to the clubs who helped out during the trip.

I am sure his current tour with our Apex40 guests will also be a wonderful trip.

I would like to take this opportunity to express our deepest thoughts to our members who suffered loss of family and property during the Christchurch earthquake in February.

Derek and I have set up a 41 Club Trust Account through the Blenheim Roundtable for earthquake donations. Mark Peters arranged this after consultation with Blenheim Roundtable and his firm will administer the fund for us. We had to put any donations received through a registered Charitable Trust which Blenheim Roundtable has. It is likely donations will be received from overseas clubs. Derek is looking for a suitable project which we can donate to.

I am sure you will enjoy your time in Nelson and I know the organizing committee has spent many hours putting it all together.

Finally I would like to welcome our international guests from England New Caledonia and Australia. it is great to have you share the weekend with us and I hope you go home with fond memories of your weekend with us.

I have enjoyed my year as President it has certainly passed very fast.

Yours in 41 Club

Alan Nimmo