

MINUTES

of the 30th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held on **SATURDAY 20th MAY 2006** at the **IT CENTER, DORTMUND, GERMANY**

- 1. The Meeting was opened at 13h25 by International President John Hudson who welcomed all delegates. A period of silence was observed in memory of those members who had passed away during the last few months.
- 2. Past International Presidents Beat Berger (*Switzerland*), Sam Sampath (*India*), Michael Dalbo Pedersen (*Denmark*) and Alain de la Bretesche (*France*) were recognised and welcomed.
- 3. Delegates were present from all 19 Member Associations apart from Israel. Apologies for absence and best wishes for the meeting had been received from Tero Lindell (*Finland*), Sameer Nayyar (*India*), Jugnu Uberoi (*India*), Derek Johns (*New Zealand*), Marinos Kritikos (*Cyprus*) and Alan Reynolds (*Algarve*).
- 4. The President announced that, since no written vote on any matter was expected during the meeting, no tellers would be appointed.
- 5. The Secretary was in receipt of much correspondence which he hoped that he had dealt with efficiently. Correspondence recently received and pertinent to the AGM was a letter from Bernard Rey (*France*) giving the reaction of the Council of 41 Club France to the proposed amendments to the Rules, a letter from Giovanni Pozzati (*Italy*) reflecting on the eligibility in the Rules of the Members of the International Board, a letter from Great Britain offering to host the Vice-Presidency in 2008/09 and a letter from Finland offering to host the Vice-Presidency in 2009/10.
- 6. The Minutes of the 23rd Half-Yearly Meeting held at the Mediterranean Beach Hotel, Limassol, Cyprus on Saturday 8th October, which had previously been circulated, were approved, and signed by John Hudson as a true record. There were no matters arising.
- 7. Reports were received from the International President, the International Vice-President and the Immediate Past International President. John Hudson had been particularly impressed by the friendship received at the Annual General Meetings and other meetings which he had attended, mentioning the facility at the Ex-Table Denmark AGM for the Danish language to be translated into other languages of those attending, and the energy demonstrated by a number of Associations to develop their 41 Clubs and to foster the contact with Round Table.
- 8. The International Secretary reported that he had now received confirmation from Round Tables Britain and Ireland that they were happy that Marchesi House in Birmingham should be the Registered Address of 41 INTERNATIONAL. A name board for display at the entrance of Marchesi House is being requisitioned. Regular emails had been sent to the IROs and the Presidents of all Associations, which contained Minutes, proposed amended Rules, the International Calendar and Agendas.
- 9. The Secretary distributed to the delegates a Newsletter dated May 2006, which is attached to these Minutes. The Board had discussed *Courier* and had approached Bob Parton (*Germany*) to take on the task of International Editor. The Board was pleased to announce the appointment of Bob Parton as Editor of 41 INTERNATIONAL with immediate effect.



- 10. The Secretary paid tribute to John Hudson's year of office. John had never failed to represent International Tabling through 41 Club to the highest possible standards. All delegates joined in appreciation of John's presidency.
- 11. The Secretary thanked the organisers of this International AGM weekend and 41 Club Dortmund. Many emails and telephone calls had been exchanged leading up to the Conference, and the Secretary mentioned especially Dr Stephan Greimers, Juergen Ernst, Bob Parton and last but by no means least, and putting in a welcome appearance at the AGM when her name was mentioned, Karin Kreuzer (OTD Secretariat).
- 12. The Secretary reported that he had received from Her Majesty The Queen (allegedly) a letter thanking everyone for their best wishes on the occasion of her 80th Birthday and congratulating all Members of 41 INTERNATIONAL on another year of friendship and fellowship in 41 Club. Her Majesty's letter mentioned that the United Kingdom had had some difficulty with Germany, where she understood we were meeting, in the past but had also had problems with other countries which are members of 41 INTERNATIONAL. In spite of being invaded, defeated on the sports field, and being undermined in international trade, still the security of Her Kingdom is sound.
- 13. The Treasurer presented draft accounts for the year to 20th May 2006, which showed a provisional surplus of Euros 61. The financial statement gave the actual result for 2004/05, the Budget for 2005/06 (break-even) and the Budget for 2006/07. This financial statement is attached to the Minutes.
- 14. The Treasurer showed the effect of the fees proposed for 2007/08 in a schedule based on the number of Clubs declared by the Associations for 2005/06. No adjustment could be made to the fees levels for 2006/07 because, under the Rules as they currently exist, all Associations must have a period of at least twelve months to consider any amendment. The Budget for 2006/07 (approved in Cyprus in October 2005) shows an expected deficit of Euros 3000. The schedule of proposed fees chargeable for 2007/08 is attached to these Minutes.
- 15. Jean-Marie De Backer (*Belgium*) confirmed his willingness to continue to act as the Auditor of the accounts. Jean-Marie De Backer was duly re-appointed and will be requested to complete the audit of the final accounts to 20th May 2006 in time for the Half-Yearly Meeting in October 2006.
- 16. Ken Boden (*Great Britain*) offered on behalf of The Association of Ex-Tablers' Clubs to host the Vice-Presidency in 2008/09. The candidate is John Bellwood, the current International Secretary/ Treasurer. There were no other offers to host for 2008/09 and the offer of Great Britain was therefore accepted.
- 17. Reijo Jakovuori (*Finland*) announced that OT Suomi Finland would be offering to host the Vice-Presidency for 2009/10 at the Annual General Meeting in Austria in May 2007.
- 18. The amended Rules proposed by the Board and received by the Secretary before 1st
 February 2006 they had already been available at the Half-Yearly Meeting in October and circulated to all Associations in December were now formally tabled. Discussion concerning the proposed amended Rules had taken place at the Workshop immediately prior to this meeting and the Rules are now to be considered by the various Associations. They will be discussed again at the HYM in October 2006. The formal vote on the Rules will be an item on the agenda of the AGM in Austria in May 2007.



- 19. Michael Dalbo Pedersen (*Denmark*) gave a report on development and extension of 41 INTERNATIONAL. The report included a request to Member Associations to receive information of new charters, of contacts for countries where 41 INTERNATIONAL has no obvious presence and to update the information already available. There are indications that 41 Club Sweden might in due course be returning as a Member, 41 Club France are assisting with the chartering of 41 Club Madagascar and links are being established with 41 Club in Australia, where there is currently one club Perth.
- 20. Great Britain invited everybody to the next meeting, which is the Half-Yearly Meeting in Southend-on-Sea from 13th to 15th October 2006, Dieter Straka summarised the arrangements for the AGM in Graz, Austria from 17th to 20th May 2007, Denmark extended an invitation to their AGM in Slagelse from 13th to 15th April 2007 and Zambia gave some detail about their country in preparation for the Half-Yearly Meeting from 24th to 26th August 2007.
- 21. The President introduced the incoming Board. Alain de la Bretesche retires and was thanked for his three years of service. The new Vice-President is Dieter Straka (*Austria*). John Bellwood continues as Secretary/Treasurer.
- 22. The President handed over the Chairmanship of the Meeting to Uwe Kerstan. The formal induction of Uwe as International President for 2006/07 will take place at the Gala Dinner later.
- 23. The Secretary requested that all delegates sign the attendance register and again thanked them for their attendance.
- 24. There being no further business, Uwe Kerstan closed the meeting at 15h25.

JOHN BELLWOOD Secretary and Treasurer July 2006

ACCOUNTS AND BUDGET 2006/2007

	ACTUAL 2004/05 €	BUDGET 2005/06 €	PROPOSED BUDGET 2006/07 €
FEES CHARGED	21382	21500	21500
COURIER, DIRECTORY, POSTAGE	4017		
CREDITS AND WRITE OFFS – PROVISION	(1561)		(1000)
	23838	21500	20500
TRAVEL	10410	16000	17500
REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION	2757	2000	2500
MEETING EXPENSES	317	500	500
COURIER	3306	1000	1000
STATIONERY AND TELEPHONE	750	500	500
DIRECTORY	500	500	500
BANNERS AND GIFTS	418	500	500
BANK CHARGES AND SUNDRY	302	500	500
INTEREST	(186)		
WAVE OF DEVASTATION	1000		
	19574	21500	23500
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	€4264 ====	- =====	€(3000) =====



		2005 /	2005 / 2006 2007/200		Proposed 08	
€ Euros	2004/05 Courier	BASIC FEE	CLUB FEES 100 @ E10.00 100@ E 7.00 rest @ E 3.50	No. of Clubs	BASIC FEE	CLUB FEES 100 @ E12.50 100@E 10.00 rest @ E1.00
Austria	250.00	660.00	280.00	28	700.00	350.00
Belgium	187.50	660.00	670.00	67	700.00	837.50
Cyprus	25.00	660.00	50.00	5	700.00	62.50
Denmark	275.00	660.00	500.00	50	700.00	625.00
Finland	300.00	660.00	680.00	68	700.00	850.00
France	875.00	660.00	1,966.00	276	700.00	2,326.00
Germany	750.00	660.00	1,703.50	201	700.00	2,251.00
Great Britain	400.00	660.00	2,340.00	893	700.00	2,943.00
India	75.00	660.00	700.00	70	700.00	875.00
Indian Ocean	50.00	330.00	40.00	4	350.00	50.00
Israel	50.00	330.00	40.00	4	350.00	50.00
Italy	250.00	660.00	230.00	23	700.00	287.50
Netherlands	150.00	660.00	290.00	29	700.00	362.50
New Zealand	25.00	660.00	170.00	17	700.00	212.50
Norway	100.00	660.00	250.00	25	700.00	312.50
Romania	50.00	330.00	70.00	7	350.00	87.50
South Africa	25.00	660.00	280.00	28	700.00	350.00
Switzerland	125.00	660.00	240.00	24	700.00	300.00
Zambia	25.00	660.00	40.00	4	700.00	50.00
Others	40.00					
TOTALS	€ 4,027.50	€ 11,550.00	€ 10,539.50	1,823	€ 12,250.00	€ 13,182.50