

Ten things you didn't know about... Julian Webber



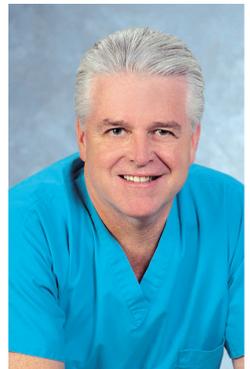
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is passionate about endo, and is an avid Spurs follower, but what else is there to know?

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1. He used to distribute leaflets for the Young Socialists in the 1970s.
2. While passionate about his work, he confesses he is lazy in everything else (when asked: 'At home, do you cook, do DIY, sort out the IT?' He replies: 'Don't go there!').
3. His childhood dentist inspired his career choice (but he also points out: 'I was too short to be a policeman or fireman!'). If he hadn't gone into the dental profession, he would have been an actor. As a schoolboy, he turned down a part in Lionel Bart's stage show *Oliver!* as one of Fagin's gang. He wrote and acted in several dental school revues.
4. No one quite knows how he failed his second year at Birmingham Dental School (having got distinction in his first year), but he did. (He worked all summer before successfully doing some retakes.)
5. He is approachable. 'I am always here for advice, always ready to see a patient, always ready to give an opinion,' he says.
6. Indian food is his favourite and he gets withdrawal symptoms if he goes for longer than a week without! (He lectures around the world but seldom leaves Britain for more than six days at a time.)
7. In sport, he is a Judo brown belt. He captained his school rugby team and trialed for scrum half at county level.
8. Among the things he would still like to do are walk to the North Pole and complete a degree in British history.
9. The endodontists he most respects and admires are Gary Carr, Cliff Ruddle and Pierre Machtou who, in their various ways, taught him to aspire to be the best at all times. The people around him he most admires are his wife Cara, for being his guiding force and for her sense of humour ('Living with me she needs one,' he says), his colleague Trevor Lamb for working so tirelessly and expertly in the practice and his practice manager Debra for being so organised and so loyal.
10. In descending order, he is most proud of his two children, his practice, including the people and equipment in it and the new nickel titanium file system Waveone of which he is co-inventor. **PD**



Julian is a fan of Cliff Ruddle

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