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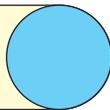
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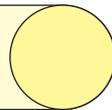


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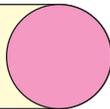
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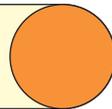
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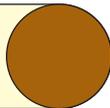
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'Let friendship continue'

# President's Report

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## WELCOME TO THE NEW TANGENT YEAR!

Welcome to the new Tangent year! First of all, my thanks go to all of you who have sent me cards and letters of greetings and support. It is wonderful, and more than a little humbling to know so many people care. A special thanks also to those of you who have already given donations to my chosen charity, Macmillan Cancer Support. As well as being close to my heart, Macmillan touches so many lives.

It was so good to see many of you in Bristol for the Conference. The bond between Tangent and 41 Club seems to strengthen with every event. Peter Watts, Jane Fornear and the Bristol Conference Team did a splendid job. Our AGM was one of the best supported events of the Conference. Unfortunately it turned into quite a marathon, with some challenging issues. I can assure you, we, as an Executive office, will be addressing these in future planning. However, I was delighted that Independent Membership was accepted. I see this as one avenue forward for some of our members. I hope you will invite the IT girls to some of your events, as being part of a club is at the heart of our organisation. It was good to have the support of so many grass root members, and you can't get more 'grass roots' than Farnham Tangent. Thank you girls!

My theme this year is the triple mantra Contact Contact Contact. Contact your Circle if you have one, and any Ex Circlers - they are out there somewhere. Contact other Tangent Clubs for a friendship evening. Contact your Executive - we are always here to talk and help you; we really are here for you.

Already I find myself caught up in a magical whirlwind, travelling around the country to anniversary and friendship events. With the prospect of so many more occasions in the coming months, I really do look forward to meeting so many more of you.



*With Continued Friendship*

*Jamie*

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## Imm Past President

**I have had a super year as National President and it was made even more special by the birth of my second granddaughter, Hannah, on the 28 March. She is wonderful and will no doubt take up a lot of my spare time.**

My year was extremely busy from day one, but I have to say it was most enjoyable and a great privilege to be your President. I would like to thank you all as members for the support you gave me with a special thanks to my Executive. Also of course, thanks to all of you who hosted me during the year and to your partners who baby-sat Roger when he came with me.

As one of my many jobs as 'past it', I am Editor of the magazine and I hope you like the new layout and production. If you have any articles, announcements, fun pictures or anything you want published, please contact me, preferably by email, and I will do my best to include it. The last date for copy in the next issue is 25 September 2006.

Finally, I am sorry the AGM overran the time schedule. I hope the complexities of this year's meeting will not put off anyone from coming to Newcastle.

*Yours in Friendship,*  
**JUDY HOLDAWAY**



# That's what friends are for

**STILL SMILING! STILL TALKING ON THE PHONE! STILL ON CLOUD NINE!**

I'm now back home in the Isle of Man from a super conference in Bristol, I'm surrounded by flowers and cards and I feel like I've won the lottery! I'm just sorry that Margaret and Jenny had to be disappointed.



Thank you to my Tangent friends, old and new, for all your encouragement and good wishes. I said in Bristol, my Tangent Values are based on:

**F** is for Fun, which is how I like my Tangent!  
**R** is for Relationships; new ones I hope to make and the existing ones I cherish.  
**I** is for our Inspiring membership and sharing their Ideas.  
**E** is for Executive, an exciting place to be!  
**N** is for New challenges, New places and New faces I have yet to meet.  
**D** is for the Driving Force, which my husband claims I do very well 'from the back seat'.  
**S** is for the Spirit of Tangent, which we should nurture and share with each other.  
*I look forward to meeting you and sharing my Tangent Values with you!*

I'm ready to receive your Regalia Orders, the IOM post is very efficient. It's usually one day from UK and the same price postage. Please send your orders carefully and early.

If you are thinking about a visit to the Isle of Man do contact me. I might be able to help with your arrangements and we can get to know each other over a 'cup of tea', or why not join us at a Tangent Meeting? [Third Thursday - not August]

*Yours in Continuing Friendship,*

**JOAN CRABTREE**



## The Tangent Team



# Secretary's Notepad

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**I've just returned home from a superb conference in Bristol where I gave my second year's report as your National Secretary.**

Tangent's own special day started with a superb Luncheon attended by 350 members - followed by our NAGM; efficiently hosted by National President, Judy. There were 110 voting delegates and well over 350 members present; the most I have seen in the last few years. It was rather a long meeting with lots of business, so apologies to those of you who had to leave before all the fun was over!

I would like to say thank you to Judy for such a 'fun' year, warmest wishes to Hilary - who has completed her term of office and a big welcome to Joan and Gill who are joining the Executive this year. Finally, good luck to Janis in her special year as our National President.

I have received the majority of Directory returns already, but if yours is not amongst them, please send it asap. Compiling the Directory is a major task and timing is extremely important. The new 2006-2007 Directory together with the minutes of the NAGM will be mailed to the Clubs at the end of July.

We have a full programme of Regional Lunches in the coming year, with the first, the Welsh Luncheon on 20 May - hosted by the National Executive. See our Diary Dates for full details. Do try to attend at least one of the Luncheons, they are such good fun with the chance to meet up with old friends and even make new ones.

I intend to make the most of my final year with National President, Janis and the rest of the team as this time next year I will be a PNO, destined to sit on the front row at all future NAGMs. It will come around 'oh so quickly' but I sincerely hope that I will have the ability to recognise that my time is over. I was merely 'caretaking' the Association and that I will give my support and help, if required, to the girls that follow me, knowing that they will be doing their very best for the Association. But that's a while away yet, so it's on with the business of luncheons, meetings, minutes, mailings and members!

Well, that's all from me for now, so until next time. . .

*Yours in Continued Friendship,*

**BJ**

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## A VERY ADAPTABLE TREASURER

**The Bristol AGM 2006 is over and I move into my final year as your National Treasurer. My personal thanks go to the ladies from the various local clubs for their efforts to make the conference weekend, the Tangent Day Luncheon and AGM the successes that they were. The last year was a ball, absolutely fabulous and if I could repeat it again I would; however life moves on.**

The capitation fee for affiliated clubs remains unchanged at £2.50 per member and insurance at £4.00 or £6.00 per club, depending on membership. Your capitation renewal form will be included with this magazine. 'IT' membership fees have been set at £12.50. 'IT' members are those who cannot belong to an affiliated club for whatever reason but still wish to belong to the National Association. If you wish to become an 'IT' member please contact the National Secretary, 'BJ' Brown.

Value Added Tax was one area that reared its head during 2005, as those of you who were at the AGM will know. Watch this space for updates! Corporation Tax is also back on the agenda following changes made in the Budget in March 2006. I am sure most of you have switched off at this point but I do hope that there is one of you out there who will be able to take these matters in their stride and stand for office in Newcastle 2007. If you are interested then please do call me.

*Yours in Continued Friendship,*

**BARBARA**



## BJ's Apprentice

Thank you for your good wishes and support during the Tangent AGM at Bristol. When my name was eventually read out I immediately thought of Terrie Hewitt who also stood for the post. There will inevitably be disappointment, but how well it shows strength and belief in the organisation when positions are contested - long may that continue. Congratulations also to Joan Crabtree, our new Vice President. I am looking forward to working closely with Joan - her personality and enthusiasm is infectious, but, of course, we both have a lot to learn this year. Also, may I add my congratulations to Bristol Tangent and 41 Club for a great weekend.

On a personal note, my son spent four years at Bristol University, and I was very impressed with the growth and rejuvenation in the city. I look forward to Tangent Day in Newcastle in April 2007 where I shall take over the reins from our present National Secretary, BJ. I hope I can continue the high standards of organisation and friendship she has achieved.

One of my tasks this year is to help with the Directories. Please ensure you have completed and returned your forms so your contact details can be included. Think of all those local friendship evenings you will miss if the details are not correct.

I look forward to telling you all what I have been up to in our next issue of Tangent News. I have been National Secretary Elect for four days, so I am really writing as 'the new girl on the block'. Thank you once again, especially to my own club, Southend on Sea, for your love and support. I promise to do my best - dyb,byb!

**GILL YOUNG** - National Secretary Elect



## Regalia Paraphernalia

The NAGM finished two days ago and I am off on a 'past' Ladies Circle Area Chairman reunion weekend to Spain tomorrow and then it will be our Welsh Luncheon ten days after I return. So I thought I would give you a brief update on last year and the next few months before I pack the sun tan lotion!

Last year's Luncheons were all fantastic and I am looking forward to meeting many more of you as I travel around with the shop this year. I now know how to get a pint into a half pint car boot and to chat up the airport checking-in staff to allow me through with the extra baggage. I shall put it all to good use this year.

Buying and selling has proved to be just as much fun as I had hoped and I trust you are enjoying all the new items. More will follow as I have had a lot of feedback for items you would be interested in. Keep checking the Tangent website for the discontinued, special offers and of course, the new stock.

On the Regalia front I have been asked for a VICE CHAIRMAN'S Club badge. There is a minimum order quantity so please let me know if your club would be interested and I will investigate further.

Those of you who attended the NAGM would have noticed the new shop and luncheon banners. I hope you approved and these will travel with me to the luncheons. The new logo that was on the banner will be available on the website for you to download. This, along with the amended shop stock list, should be ready during the next few weeks.

In the last magazine I mentioned the 'Tangent Notelet' competition and in this mailing you will find a few entry forms. Please let me know if you or your club requires a further supply. These notelets will prove to be very popular within our Association as I am continually being asked for them so please be sure to 'drown' me with your entries. This is a first for the Association so watch out W.I. we will be designing a calendar next year.

I have to say a big thank you to the entire Executive for their friendship and commitment last year. Well done Judy, it was an amazing year.

Janis, your TEAM TANGENT are behind you and raring to go – enjoy.

**JAN TURNER**

*National Sales and Regalia Officer.*



'Let friendship continue'

# 40th AGM Lunch and AGM Report

Jane Fornear and her committee worked extremely hard to ensure we all had a wonderful day to remember; from arriving for coffee in the ballroom to entering the grand dining room complete with all the beautiful table arrangements in the shape of Hot Air Balloons. We only had a short time to have lunch before the room had to be re-arranged for the AGM and I am very pleased to report that everything went to plan. We were in fact a few minutes early. I was delighted to present my charity cheque to Barbara Naylor - a Camberley Tangent member and a Make A Wish Representative. I was extremely pleased with the total amount of money raised and would like to thank all the Tangents who gave so generously to my chosen charity.

After accepting the cheque, Barbara gave a short account of how the charity works and gave a delightful toast to the National Association. In reply to Barbara's toast I read the minutes of the very first meeting held in 1965 when it was agreed to form an Association and not a National Association - which was formed about five years later.

The hotel worked wonders in re-arranging the room to seat over 360 ladies, theatre style, for our 40th AGM. The proceedings started with Rhian, Ladies' Circle President and myself, lighting the candles of Friendship. Jane Fornear and Peter Watts welcomed everyone to the conference and Jane introduced her committee. Then I greeted all the past National Officers and welcomed Julta Foyoe and Brigitta



Sahm from Germany who gave greetings from their Association and made a Presentation to the National Executive.

Minutes of the 39th AGM were read and approved, and we moved on to the Executives' reports. These prompted a lot of discussion from some of the Past National Officers. Barbara our National Treasure reported that we had a VAT problem, which is on-going, and we will let you know when we have resolved the issue. Capitation fees will stay the same for this year and so will the out-of-pocket expenses for the National President.

We had three candidates standing for the office of Vice President and I am pleased to report that Joan Crabtree from the Isle of Man won the election after giving her reasons why she was standing for the office of Vice President. Two candidates stood for the office of Secretary Elect and, after giving us their qualifications for the job, Gill Young was duly elected. Our very grateful thanks go to the unsuccessful candidates for giving their time and efforts in standing.

Di Hollis gave a tribute to Rod and Anne Markley for all the work they had carried out on our behalf. This year's Executive had come to the decision to part company with them; a gift was presented for Di to pass on.

Ian Mackenzie, the new 41 Club President, called in and presented the Association with a beautiful case in which to keep the chain of Office and to mark the celebration our 40 years of AGMs.

We had no resolutions from the membership but we had four from the National Executive:

1. Independent Membership
2. Overseas members can vote on financial matters
3. That a current member of the National Executive should not be a voting delegate at the AGM
4. That a Liaison Office be elected to help with Lunches.





Resolutions 1 and 2 were approved; resolutions 3 and 4 were lost after a most heated discussion from the Past National Officers.

Rhian Fear brought greetings from Ladies Circle asking Tangent members to give some time for the 'Race for Life' which Ladies Circle have helped for many years.

Rhian gave us an update on all Ladies' Circles activities. Bath Tangent asked Rhian about the proposed age rule review, on the Ladies Circle AGM agenda. The Tangent was concerned about increasing the leaving age to 48. Rhian promised to pass on Tangents' concerns at the meeting. Penny Gibbins gave a Circle Way and a Tangent Way vote of thanks.

I said my thanks and passed the chain of Office over to Janis, wishing her all good luck, when Farnham Tangent and 41 Club came in singing and wearing Rugby Shirts. Janis is a great Rugby Fan. To finish off the very late afternoon, the Riff Raff (Husbands of Exec) came running in, in shorts and making so much noise to present us all with flowers.

*Yours in Continued Friendship,*  
**JUDY - Imm Past President**

# National President's Diary

## 2006/07

3 May	Ely & District 25th Charter Night
5-7 May	German Ladies' Circle & Tangent Conference Germering, Germany
12-14 May	NALC Conference Killarney, Ireland
17 May	Farnham Tangent
20 May	Welsh Regional Luncheon. Hosted by The National Executive Alice Springs Golf Club Usk
25 May	Kirkham & Rural Fylde 24. 25th Charter Anniversary Dinner
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2 June	Eddisbury 580 25th Charter
5 June	Seisdon 387
7 June	Tettenhall
10 June	Northern Regional Luncheon. Hosted by Brampton & Longtown Border 555 The Sheperd's Inn, Carlisle
15 June	Rotherham 43rd Birthday Meeting
16 June	Joint Presidents' Charity Ball. University Arms Hotel, Cambridge
17/18 June	Joint National Executive Weekend. Cambridge
21 June	Farnham Tangent
24 June	Ladies' Circle. Midland & Welsh Luncheon
29 June	WOW Charity Luncheon. Farnham Tangent
30 June	Joint Liaison Group Meeting. Marchesi House
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5 July	Towcester & District 679. Friendship Meeting
9 July	Farnham 41 Club Chairman's Lunch
10 July	New Milton 120. Dinner Meeting
13 July	Southend on Sea. Friendship evening
19 July	Farnham Tangent
26 July	Goldalming 779. Friendship Evening
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13 Aug	Bletchley 111 luncheon
16 Aug	Farnham Tangent
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11 Sept	Bognor Regis & Chichester 394
13 Sept	Axe Valley Friendship Evening
16 Sept	NALC 70th Anniversary Luncheon. Royal Armouries Hall Leeds
20 Sept	Farnham Tangent
21 Sept	Northallerton & Thirsk 107. Charter Luncheon
30 Sept	South West Luncheon. Hosted by Bath 804. University of Bath
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4 October	Towcester & District 679. 21st Charter Evening
7 October	Scottish Regional Luncheon. Hosted by Bishopbriggs & Kirkintilloch Westerwood Hotel, Cumbernauld
13-15 October	International Weekend. Southend on Sea
18 October	Farnham Tangent
19 October	Chelmsford 670. Friendship Dinner





1 November

Downend Bristol 177 Open Evening

7 November

Shepperton Dinner Meeting

11 November

South East Regional Luncheon. Hosted by Bromley 801

Royal College of Physicians, London

12 November

Service of Remembrance. The Cenotaph, London

15 November

Farnham Tangent

16 November

Retford 202 Friendship Evening

18 November

Bishop's Stortford 269. 35th Anniversary Dinner

21 November

Uxbridge 265. Dinner Meeting

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12 December

Farnham 41 Club Dinner

13 December

Oxford Tangent

18 December

Constable 622

20 December

Farnham Tangent

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17 January

Farnham Tangent

27/28 January

Executive Planning Weekend

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7 February

Derby 22. 47th Birthday Meeting

13 February

Haverhill 409. Friendship Evening

21 February

Farnham Tangent

24 February

Midland Regional Luncheon. Hosted by Hinckley 52. Hinkley Golf Club

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3 March

Irish Regional Luncheon. Hosted by Omagh 581

7 March

Dunstable & District 378

21 March

Farnham Tangent

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14-16 April

National Conference. Newcastle on Tyne

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# INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

## It's official



★ Perhaps you have, or are relocating to a new area at home or abroad and there is no Tangent nearby for you to join?

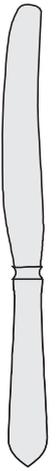
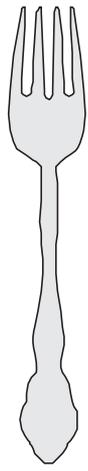
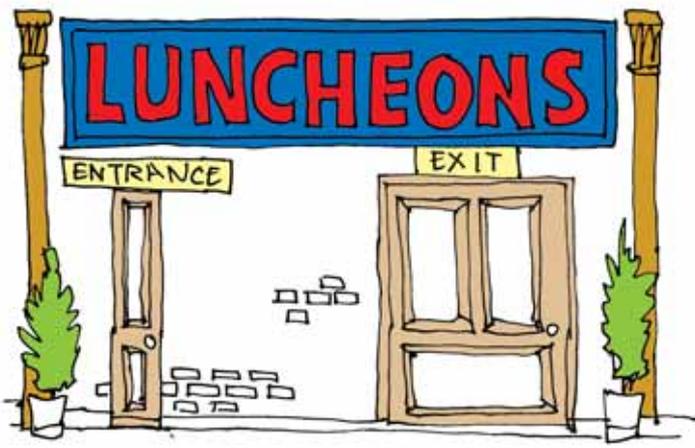
★ Perhaps your Tangent has disaffiliated, but you would like to continue your membership?

★ Perhaps you are infirm or a less-able member who wishes to keep in touch with the association but cannot attend a local club?

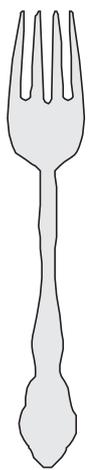
Well, now is your chance to become an IT girl. Please contact National Secretary B.J. for more information.

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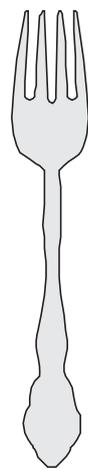
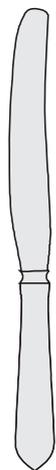
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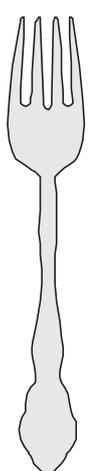
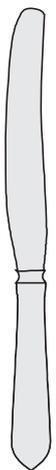
**NORTHERN LUNCHEON**  
Saturday, 10 June 2006  
Hosted by Brampton, Longtown & Border 555  
Venue:  
The Shepherd's Inn, Carlisle



**SOUTH WEST LUNCHEON**  
Saturday, 30 September 2006  
Hosted by Bath 804  
Venue:  
Bath University



**SCOTTISH LUNCHEON**  
Saturday, 7 October 2006  
Hosted by Bishopbriggs & Kirkintilloch 511  
Venue:  
Westerwood Hotel, Cumbernauld



**SOUTH EAST LUNCHEON**  
Saturday, 11 November 2006  
Hosted by Bromley 801  
Venue: Royal College of Physicians, London



**OBITUARIES**  
We are sad to have been advised of the following deaths:-  
Val Wild Aldridge 586  
Gwyneth Bowden Bexley 25  
Edna Bates Cross Hills and District 838  
Enid Strange Bridlington 73  
Kay Croyden Ipswich 180  
Dorothy Ford Stroud and District 637  
Margaret Parker Stroud and District 637  
Jennifer Jones Tamworth 153  
Tangent is grateful for all that they have done for the Association during their lifetime and our thoughts are with their families at this difficult time. Tributes to the above ladies, in full, can found on the Tangent website.  
[www.tangent-clubs.org](http://www.tangent-clubs.org)

**FOUND CHAIRMAN'S MARCASITE BROOCH**  
M CRAIG 95-96  
contact National Secretary.

**URGENT**  
HOST CLUBS REQUIRED FOR WELSH REGIONAL LUNCHEONS YEAR 2009 ONWARDS  
Please contact National Secretary Brenda (BJ) Brown for further details.

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## The Wellbeing of Women

Farnham Tangent is holding a fund raising lunch in aid of Wellbeing of Women on Thursday 29 June from 12 – 3.00pm. There will be a two course buffet lunch at a cost of £16.50, with wine and soft drinks available. Minimal Designs - selling handbags, pashminas, gloves and scarves will be available for retail therapy too. **The lunch is being hosted in a marquee in the garden of Springwood, Middle Avenue, Farnham, Surrey GU9 8JL by National Tangent President, Janis Attwell on behalf of Lorraine Hurley (immediate Past Chairman of Farnham Tangent) who was diagnosed with Ovarian Cancer in November 2005.**

Lorraine became involved with the charity, Wellbeing of Women, by seeing a poster in the hospital while being an inpatient for surgery last December. She contacted the charity and was invited to submit a case history, which was accepted for publicity use. She then participated in a photoshoot and lunch to raise awareness of Ovarian Cancer - 'the silent killer' for the fourth annual Ovarian Cancer Awareness month in March. As a result of that, Lorraine also attended two radio interviews during March.

Having come to the end of her chemotherapy and now feeling really well, Lorraine is keen to promote awareness of Ovarian Cancer symptoms. It is a hard-to-detect cancer until it is in an advanced stage. Women need to know what to look for, as the best chance of survival is early detection. The lunch speaker will be Liz Campbell, the director for Wellbeing of Women - so please join National President Janis and Farnham Tangent to make this a really special and effective lunch for the charity.

**For tickets please contact Lorraine Hurley on 01252 793847.**



# Diary Dates FORTHCOMING LUNCHEONS



**2006**

## NORTHERN LUNCHEON

Saturday, 10 June 2006

Hosted by Brampton, Longtown & Border 555

*Venue: The Shepherd's Inn, Carlisle*

## NALC 70th ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

Saturday, 16 September 2006

*Venue: Royal Armouries Hall, Leeds*

## SOUTH WEST LUNCHEON

Saturday, 30 September 2006

Hosted by Bath 804

*Venue: Bath University*

## SCOTTISH LUNCHEON

Saturday, 7 October 2006

Hosted by Bishopbriggs & Kirkintilloch 511

*Venue: Westerwood Hotel, Cumbernauld*

## SOUTH EAST LUNCHEON

Saturday, 11 November 2006

Hosted by Bromley 801

*Venue: Royal College of Physicians, London*

**2007**

## MIDLAND LUNCHEON

Saturday, 24 February 2007

Hosted by Hinckley 52

*Venue: Hinckley Golf Club*

## IRISH LUNCHEON

Saturday, 3 March 2007

Hosted by Omagh 581

*Venue: tbc*

## TANGENT LUNCHEON AND NAGM

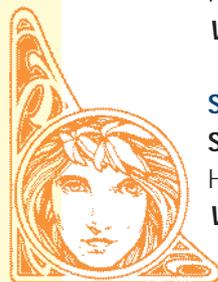
14 April 2007 at the Assembly Rooms,  
Newcastle upon Tyne

*Hosted by Regional Committee*

## WELSH LUNCHEON

19 May 2007 Cardiff Bay

*Hosted by Cardiff 304*



41 Club and Tangent National Presidents'

# THE GRAND CHARITY BALL

AT THE  
UNIVERSITY ARMS HOTEL  
CAMBRIDGE

FRIDAY 16 JUNE 2006

7 for 7:15pm • Carriages: Half past midnight  
Dress Code: Formal  
Superb 5 course meal (vegetarian option available)  
Dancing to live music provided by  
"Wide Eyed and Legless"

**£35 per ticket**

Accommodation packages available at discounted rate.

To book or further details contact:

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Past Circler's and Tangent Members

The National Association of Ladies' Circles  
Great Britain & Ireland

Invite you to the

# 70th Anniversary Luncheon

Saturday, 16 September 2006

at

The Royal Armouries  
Leeds



Champagne Reception,  
Commencing at 11:30am

To book or further details contact:

Beverley Dance, Luncheon Treasurer, Field House Farm Barn,  
Whitty Lane, Burnley Road, Halifax HX6 2TF

## Sheffield No4 50th Birthday Celebration

In March 2006, we were very happy to celebrate 50 Happy Tangent Years in the company of National President, Judy - with past members, friends from local Tangent Clubs and personal guests. Among our current membership we are proud to have three founder members, all in their nineties, still attending on a regular basis! On the night the Minutes of the first meeting were read - along with the List of Presidents who have had the pleasure of leading our Club through 50 years, since that initial meeting in March 1956.

Our Chain of Office now comes to meetings in a Presentation Box because few of us have bosoms big enough to bear the weight of 50 Name Bars! After an excellent meal and lots of reminiscing, National President, Judy, entertained us with some tales from her very busy and exciting year. A splendid raffle enabled us to present Judy with a donation for her charity 'Make a Wish Foundation'.

At the end of the meeting, the flowers from the tables were presented to all our octogenarians and nonogenarians! The photograph is of the Tangent Committee taken with Judy. The poem was my Toast to Tangent on the night.

**LIZ SHAND**

Treasurer



### SUDBURY TANGENT *Anyone for walkies!*

This is a small section of the 24 strong walking group set up by long-time friends who met through the Round Table and Ladies' Circle. Using long distance footpath routes, we have walked the boundary of Suffolk, all 245 miles, and the photo depicts the finish of the epic journey near Newmarket. It may have taken ten years but much fun has been had. Where we go from here, who knows.



## Friendship Evening

16 January 2006

Milton Keynes held a friendship evening and joint 18th birthday party, attended by neighbouring clubs on the 16 January - in the lovely home of one of their members - Linda Cooper. They were able to seat 40 people on three very large tables where the members of Milton Keynes Tangent acted as waitresses. The meal was designed by the Chairman Jennie Burke and cooked by her and the members of the club. Unfortunately at the last minute, Jennie was unable to attend so the meeting was chaired by their Vice Chairman Elizabeth Howell.

There were two guests of Honour; Judy our National President and Doreen Firth - who entertained everyone delightfully with her impressions and history of Joyce Grenfell. Much wine was drunk (no surprise there!) and nearly all the food went (again-no surprise). Some room was even saved to sample the exquisite birthday cake made and decorated by ex-national President, Di Hollis' daughter.

A lovely evening was had by everyone, even by John Cooper who did the lion's share of the washing up. Champion !!





## The Magnificent Twelve

At their February meeting, under the guidance of Chairman Chris Sims, members tried their hand at making a masterpiece. They bought a large poster, cut it into 12 pieces and 12 ladies very bravely attempted to copy the square allocated to them. The picture shows Vice Chairman Anne Rose and Chris McGowan holding up both original and copy - eat your heart out Rolf Harris. A fun evening for everyone present.

**PAULINE CARTER**, Secretary

## Pearls of Billericay . . .



We couldn't let this Pearl Anniversary pass without a celebration so 'a committee' was formed and away we went with the organisation!

We were honoured to have as our guest the 'Nat Pres' Judy and her husband - their last club visit of the year before the AGM at Bristol. We do hope they enjoyed their visit to us.

Along with our partners, we also had some 'celebrities' of our own in attendance. A Former Tangent National President and 41 Club's National International Officer - both Billericay members born and bred. Perhaps more importantly 12 of our original founder members were also able to join us, some having travelled quite a distance.

We had a great evening - perfect venue, excellent meal and (of course) no shortage of conversation! What do we find to talk about after so many years of friendship?

Our entertainer - one Will Hooper - had us all laughing with his satirical songs on many subjects ranging from visits to the supermarket and dentist to current political controversies!

As with other Tangent clubs, we are suffering from the demise of new membership - so we hope most of us will still be around for the 50th celebrations when we can do it all over again!



# SPACE HOPPERS

Past - Present - Future Presidents, bouncing for Ladies' Circle Presidents' Charity - Cystic Fibrosis, at the South East Area Luncheon in the Royal Lancaster Hotel, March 2006



# Flying Ladies

Jenny McBriar Chairman of Newtonards Tangent on a short flight with the National Exec. at the Irish Lunch, March 2006



“Camberley Chorus,  
are you ready to sing?”



'Let friendship continue'

Please send in your contributions and photos for the 48th issue by 25 September 2006

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