Hello Ladies, I can't believe we are in October already, where has the year gone? Here is some interesting Tangent news for you (click on the highlighted links):

- There are three positions on the National Executive becoming vacant in April 2018 Vice President, Secretary and Editor & Website co-ordinator. Please do consider applying for one of these positions, you really won't regret it. Attached here is the Nomination form for you to complete. If you have any questions on any of the positions, do ask one of the current or past Executive, it would be fantastic to have you on-board. If you are unable to go to the National Conference in Belfast in April 2018, we would be happy to receive a video presentation from you.
- If you or your club feel strongly about an issue and want it debated at the National AGM in Belfast in April 2018, you need to complete a <u>Proposition form</u> attached. Propositions received will go onto the printed Agenda which will be posted to you in February.
- As discussed at the Blackpool AGM in April, Tangent Club International will have open election for the post of TCI Vice-President from the 2019 AGM. Although the Tangent Club International rules relating to nominations will not be agreed until after our AGM in Belfast, April 2018, this is the only meeting that can approve nominations before the expected deadline date of November 2018.

Please find <u>Nomination form</u> attached which should be completed. Standing for election at our Belfast AGM in 2018 ensures that the process is fair and, if there is more than one candidate for this position from NATC, members have a chance to decide on who they want to go forward as the NATC representative.

ALL NOMINATION AND PROPOSITION FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO ME PLEASE BY FRIDAY 5^{TH} JANUARY 2018.

- All club contacts should now have received the yellow Tangent Directory and Rules and Constitution. Any amendments to club contacts or club details should be sent through to Jilly, our Executive Administrator: admin@tangent-clubs.org.
- Belfast Tangent and 41 Club Conference 2018: Next year's conference bookings
 are getting close to being sold out, but if you are quick you might still get in:
 https://41club-tangent-belfast.co.uk/.
 If you are attending and could spare a little

time, we would be grateful for your help. We need two Minute Secretaries to make notes at the AGM, and some ladies to help on the Sales Table on a rota during the three days – if you can help with either of these please do get in touch.

- Melodie's <u>Charity Ball</u> is being held on Saturday, 3rd March 2018 at the Gray Manor Hotel, Cholderton. Melodie's Charity for 2017/18 is the British Association for Music Therapy.
- Our Regional lunches really are fantastic events to get together with lots of your friends and members of clubs from near and far, plus an opportunity to meet the Executive. If you are interested in organising a Regional lunch please get in touch with Jilly, our Exec Administrator: admin@tangent-clubs.org who can offer guidance and advice.
- Do remember to order your regalia and/or Tangent branded items from the Tangent sales website: http://www.tangentshop.co.uk/. The Marcasite brooch and the Crystal Tangent pin, can be ordered through Ruth Sage, our National Sales & Regalia Officer: sales@tangent-clubs.org.
- Many thanks to everyone who submitted the Tangent survey. The National
 Executive are working on the results, looking at the changes you have asked for,
 and what it means for the future of our Association.
- Last but by no means least, we have a few clubs who have still to pay capitation for this year- make sure it isn't your club. Please send your Capitation form and monies through to Ruth, our Treasurer, as soon as possible: treasurer@tangentclubs.org.

That's it ladies - until next time!

Yours in continued friendship,
Glynis Sutton
Tangent National Secretary, 2016-18