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2nd March 2019

at

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Saturday, 18th May 2019

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Welcome to 2019 and the latest magazine.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this magazine – another 20 page bumper edition due to the amount of copy you have sent me.

I have been busy since the last edition getting to grips with the new role and I am especially pleased to share with you the latest Member benefits that we have negotiated for you - see the back page for a taster. We are looking to negotiate more so if you have any contacts please let me know. Also on the back page you will find details of Team App – an app for those of you to use on your smartphone when you are out and about, but don’t worry the website is still there for when you are on the computer.

On a personal level the last few months have seen me attend meetings or lunches in Birmingham, Hull, Southampton and of course Reading. I look forward to seeing you all too soon in Torquay.

Kate x
Since I last wrote I’ve only had one TCI visit, to the Half Year Meeting in Marrakech, Morocco. I’m sure that you have had a report on this from Melodie, there were 89 people present, including a few gentlemen, from 11 countries.

I’d really like to thank all the GB&I ladies that travelled to Morocco, especially the non-Tangent members, it must have been hard dragging yourselves away from the pool to come along to the meeting, Karen and Pauline for helping taking minutes and Kate for keeping me organised.

We are busy preparing for the AGM and putting in place the policies and guidelines to support the boards going forwards, so as it’s quiet on the visiting front right now I thought I would remind you of a bit of the history of TCI.

TCI is now almost 5 years old. We started with 5 full member countries (Cyprus, Denmark, GB&I, Norway and Sweden) and are now 8 full members (Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, GB&I, Indian, Israel, Norway and Sweden) and 6 associate members (Belgium, Lithuania, Sri Lanka, The Netherlands, Ukraine and Zambia). Our membership has declined a little from over 13,000 to around 12,000 now, this is mainly due to GB&I numbers falling quicker than all the other countries are growing.

TCI was set up with the Presidency rotating through the founder members, so I am the GB&I ‘in turn’ representative and each full member country has a representative on the Board, along with a Councillor who holds the vote for the country at the AGM.

Starting with the election of a Vice President this year and a fully elected Board from 2020, we move away from each country having a Board representative, the voting will remain, as now, with the Councillors.

I’m looking forward to travelling with LCI Vice President Alex Bennett to the LCI MTM in France later this month (January) and then out to India for their Half Year Meeting during February, before my final Country visit which is to our own AGM in Torquay. The TCI AGM is at the end of April in Brussels so I’m hoping my travel plans won’t be disrupted by Brexit. At the moment there are a dozen of you booked in too, I am looking forward to seeing you there.

YICF

Paula

Tangent Club International President 2018-19
Make Every Moment Count
Melodie’s Swan Song

After seven consecutive years on the National Executive this is my last official magazine contribution.

Little did I realise that sitting next to friend Sue Marlow at a Tangent lunch in Southampton in March 2012 would have such an impact on my future. Sue was National Vice-President, Jenny Bevan was Sales and Regalia Officer; and it was in chatting to them both that I learned that there were no candidates for the post of Secretary Elect. That post no longer exists, but then it overlapped for one year with the National Secretary’s third year for her to train up her successor. I was fortunate to be elected to work alongside National Secretary Terrie Hewitt and our Tangent Honorary Webmaster, David Hewitt.

Those were the days before the development of our own website and mass emailing; most of the communications with members and other clubs in the Round Table family were on paper and by landline phone. Capitation, Directory, Regional Lunch bookings, Sales and Regalia, and AGM forms needed to be included in the magazine mailings. The Secretary was responsible for the Minutes for all the Executive meetings, occasionally Minutes for the 4 Club family meetings, and overseeing the production of the previous AGM Minutes and the forthcoming AGM Agenda. Paperwork for new and closing clubs also included the maintenance of a card index. Keeping the paper records and spreadsheets updated was the most important task, not only for the compiling of the Directory but also working with the printers with the information needed for postings.

Responsibility for liaising with, and supporting, current and future Regional and AGM Lunch organizers was also part of the role then, as well as working closely with the National President and the Tangent Day Conference Chairman to prepare for the AGM planning weekend in January and the smooth running of the AGM.

Since 2015 some of the Secretary’s tasks have been shared with the new role of Executive Administrator, and the post is now for only two years. The website, Mail Chimp, Whats App groups, Facebook and a myriad of new communication tools have speeded up and improved our ability to share information; sometimes creating too high expectations of the small group of volunteers who make up the National Executive.

At the end of my time as Secretary, after seeing at first-hand the wonderful opportunities to actually visit and share experiences with members and clubs all over the country, I decided to come out of ‘the back office’ and stand for National Vice President in my home city of Birmingham.

The Blackpool Conference ‘beside the seaside’ was where my adventure began and the wonderful whirlwind of meeting many of you I had previously had contact with.

This year has taken me on to the wider stage of Tangent International, to take your views and votes to that forum which is continuing to grow and develop from its beginnings in 2014.

What a wonderful adventure it has been. I have had the opportunity and privilege to learn about your many years of fun, friendship and fund-raising; to visit previously unknown venues around the country and abroad and re-visit places loved from before; to make many new friends and catch up with friends from Ladies Circle days; to work alongside many dedicated members of the National Executive; to acquire new skills; and to share a huge amount of fun, laughter, support and affection along the way.

Thank you all! If there are still any vacancies at local or national level when the AGMs come round, do think about taking on a new challenge. You can be sure it will be a richly rewarding experience.

YICF Melodie x
The end of year accounts are now done and balanced (Hurrah!!). Now I can relax a bit and enjoy the final few months of my tenure until the AGM in Torquay.

When I came into post I said that I was a facts and figures person, so after two years of calculating and accounting I thought I would share some of the information that clubs do not normally get, and might be interesting for some people.

As of December 2018 we have 551 paid up clubs. The largest club is Harpenden 137 with 69 members, closely followed by Knowle and Dorridge 175 with 65 (way to go K & D – I was in Circle there, for a while!) and Kennilworth 659 with 64 members. There are 46 clubs with 10 members or less, but this still works out as an average membership per club of 19.

We have a total of 10,865 members with 332 having dual/multiple memberships, Janice O’Neill being a member of course!!

The amount donated for charitable causes in 2017-18 comes in at £147,489.39. Another amazing amount and I do hope that clubs that have raised money and had fun and friendship doing it have put in for the Star Award this year.

It must be noted that these figures are calculated from the information that I receive and some clubs do not send in all the information – dual capitation cross referencing takes a while, especially if clubs haven’t sent a members list.

I wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year (it is still January at time of writing) and continued fun and friendship in Tangent.

Ruth
Tangent National Treasurer
2017-19

Secretary Heather’s Update

I am writing this just before the Christmas Decorations come down and my life gets back to normal after the festivities.

When I last wrote a report in September I was looking forward to attending Jill’s Charity Lunch, which was a great day and it raised lots of money for her charity. I will let her tell you how much. The entertainment did live up to expectations and I even had a little dance. I have attended the joint meeting with 41 Club in October, a recommendation from this meeting will appear on the AGM agenda, so please look out for it. All Job descriptions for all roles on the Executive have been distributed, to help prospective candidates know what their responsibilities will include as well as the fun and friendship. These can all be found on the website, if you are thinking of standing in future years. In November I had the honour of attending the Remembrance Day Parade at the cenotaph in London, together with Ruth Lamb, Patricia Jeffries, Vron Leon and the 4 club family members. Unfortunately due to Jill’s illness she could not be with us and as Secretary I had the privilege of handing over the wreath on behalf of Tangent. This will be something that will live in my memory forever. I am now preparing the AGM agenda and collating the proposals received from Tangent clubs. I am also co-ordinating the nominations received for the executive posts open for election at the 2019 AGM.

Only 1 day left for any nominations and proposals to come in, so it is quite an exciting time.

Next week I will be meeting up with the executive from Tangent, 41 Club and the Conference Liaison team to plan the 2019 AGM in detail. This will hopefully avoid any potential problems occurring on the day. This will be the 1st Conference I am attending where I will be so fully immersed and focused, it definitely shines a different light on the event. I have a newfound respect for my predecessors!! If for any reason you cannot attend the Conference, please remember I can try to arrange proxy votes for your club, Email me at secretary@tangent-clubs.org if you want me to arrange this for you.

I am continuing to send communications to your Gmail email accounts and nominated email addresses, if you are ever in doubt, please remember communications are also loaded onto the Tangent website where all members can access these.

In February / March my diary takes me to the National President’s Ball, the Midlands Regional Lunch, and the Irish regional Lunch, never a dull moment. Hopefully I will meet a great number of you in Torquay.

Heather Parry
National Secretary
2018-2020
Vice President
End of Term Report

Name: Sue Hill

Classes: Northwich 426, Dragons 942

Attendance: Sue has maintained a good attendance at Regional Lunches and Exec meetings, achieving 100%. She is keen to attend other events when invited, and always enjoys the fellowship on offer.

Languages: Sue practiced and developed her French when visiting Morocco for the International Half-Year Meeting. She is eager to practice other languages during the coming year at International events.

Mathematics: Shop accounts have been submitted. Sue has looked after the Tangent shop throughout the year, taking it round to Regional Lunches. She has also taken responsibility for ordering marcasite brooches.

Geography: Sue has travelled round the country including Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, and has not got lost on too many occasions!

Humanities: Sue has looked after Membership during the year, assisting new clubs wanting to affiliate, and sadly dealing with a number of disaffiliations. She is keen to help any club that is experiencing problems and happy to answer any queries. She is keen to work with the other clubs of the four club family, and wishes to build the relationship with 41 Club.

Form teacher’s comment: Sue has been happy to step in to help as required to cover events when a senior member of the team was unable to attend. She has enjoyed working with all members of the Exec, and will be sad to say goodbye to Melodie, Jilly and Ruth. She is looking forward to welcoming a new Vice President, Treasurer and Executive Administrator. She is disappointed that there is no nomination for Membership and Marketing, but remains hopeful that a suitable candidate will stand from the floor at the AGM in Torquay.

Head teacher’s remarks: We expect great things next year with plans for a Ladies’ Lunch on 28th September 2019 and a joint Presidents’ Ball on 29th February 2020 to raise funds for her charity. Sue’s Geography will need to improve as she travels far and wide across the country visiting clubs and meeting members. She is looking forward to greeting many of you at conference in Torquay in April.
Candidates for National Vice President

Ruth Sage

Many of you will remember me from my time as National Sales & Regalia Officer which I really enjoyed, which also meant that I got to make lots of new friends. So, after a year off from the executive I have decided that it is the right time for me to stand as your National Vice President.

I am an active member of Southend No5 and Chelmsford No96 Tangent Club’s. In the last year I have been secretary for both clubs, a job that which I have really enjoyed doing. As most of you will remember I was married to Jon Sage who was a very active member of both Round Table and 41 Club until he sadly passed away just after the AGM in Harrogate, as a family we have always been involved locally in the 4 Club Family, my daughter and I were both out last Christmas with Leigh-on-Sea Round Table as Snowmen collecting.

I was a nurse for over 40 years but now work as a private carer. I live with my daughter, a cat called Misty and a 15 year old rescue Staffie called Money, who I love to walk with, as I really enjoy being outside.

Tracey Pickin

My name is Tracey Pickin, married to the lovely Alan for 41 years (I was a child bride!), we live in South Warwickshire. I was a member of 3 Circles and became the founding Chair of ABOTS cluster Tangent, am their current Chair, and a member of Leamington Spa.

I’ve always been active in Tangent and whilst I don’t have experience of Tangent at a National level I was part of Circle’s National Executive as Community Services Officer and worked for HMRC for 39 years often at a National level in roles tackling tax avoidance/evasion, change and strategy which sounds dull - it was anything but! I enjoyed it all and was even awarded an OBE along the way. Since retirement I’ve been appointed as a Magistrate and set up a fund-raising group for Acorns Childrens’ Hospices. I like a challenge!

I am now keen to be more involved in the future of the organisation that has given me so much, helping ensure that it will continue to be attractive to future generations of great women, to continue their friendships and make a difference.

It would be an honour and privilege to be Vice President of Tangent.

Candidate for TCI Secretary in 2020

Jill Harris

We started the National Association of Tangent Clubs nearly 50 years ago and it took us until less than 5 years ago to be part of an international organisation - Tangent Clubs International. It took the other Round Table family members far less time. I feel it is extremely important for us to be a major player in this relatively new Association and I would like to do this from within the board.

I am passionate about international and am currently both the 41 International Archivist and Tangent International Archivist but these are not board posts. I would like to work with the other members exploring the differences and similarities between us and them as relatively newer and smaller associations and exploring how we evolve and survive the changing world. I feel that being TCI Secretary is a position where I can do this to the fullest.
Candidate for National Treasurer

Shirley Chard

Above left, Dave and I are with our hosts during our annual visit with Forbach 41 Club who are twinned with Reading Valley.

I’m a member of Reading Valley Tangent and currently secretary, a role I have been doing for several years. I was in Reading Valley Ladies Circle before joining Tangent and spent some time on the Area 13 LC Exec as Area Sales and Area Treasurer. Since joining Tangent I have been chairman twice and PLC Treasurer for the National Presidential Liaison Committee 2016/17.

I am married to Dave, who is a Round Table Past Area Chairman and chaired a RT PLC. He is currently 41 Club National Councillor for Region 20. We have a son, Gary who married an American and lives in Michigan with her and our two grandchildren.

I will retire before this year’s AGM in Torquay giving me time to take on a National role. I like working with figures, having a degree in maths and technology. My career has been in project and programme management and most recently in teaching project management as a freelancer.

Hopefully I will meet up with you for fun and friendship at National Conference and Regional lunches.

Candidate for National Executive Administrator

Doreen Lovett

Hi Ladies, my name is Doreen Lovett and am very pleased to be your candidate for National Administrator.

I joined Circle in Hong Kong back in 1991 and on returning to England in 1992 I joined Cheadle & Gatley Ladies Circle and never looked back. I have done all posts in Circle, other than Treasurer. I have been Honorary President of both Cheadle & Gatley and Market Harborough circles. Tangent was a natural progression and immediately on joining I became secretary for a couple of years then Chair. I have been on the Llandudno and Blackpool conference committees and am currently part of the Cardiff conference committee. I am also the current Chair of Dragons Tangent which is a club that grew out of the Llandudno conference committee members.

I am married to Kevin and we have 5 grown up children between us. I have practiced as a solicitor in Cheadle Cheshire for over 21 years and have run my own practice in Cheadle, for the last 5½ years dealing with anything that does not involve me going to court.

I am very much looking forward to supporting the exec and members in every way I can.

Marketing and Membership Officer

No candidates came forward for this new role so nominations will be welcomed at our AGM. The job description is available on the website or please contact Heather at secretary@tangent-clubs.org for more information.

Tangent Conference and 41 Club Conference

Committee is looking forward to welcoming you all to Torquay 4th-6th April. If you haven’t booked in then what are you waiting for!! It is always a wonderful time to catch up with past and current friends!

Please book in to the AGM on the Conference booking website but more importantly for the AGM lunch. There is only a 45 minute lunch break and there is little alternative available.

Jenny Bevan
Conference Liaison Officer
Well what a year so far. Thank you all for allowing me the absolute privilege of being your National President for 2018-9, I have had an absolute ball.

I am now back on my feet again following my illness while away but have had to cut down on some of the distant visits and I do apologise if I have not been able to visit your club or have had to cancel a visit to you but I have had to do as my doctors have told me and as those that know me - slowing down is not an action I know and I have found it very hard to do as I don’t want to miss out on anything but my family is checking my every move and even though I have reduced my visits they would have liked me to cancel more.

Please coming up to your AGM think about our National Charity for this year it does bear our four club family name Round Table Children’s Wish and it was started by Tablers some 27 years ago. The children need our support and a wish can cost anything from a few hundred pounds upwards so every little bit helps. How about a change collection at your next meeting, open up your purses and put in the small change from 20p downwards or just coppers you are likely to collect a few pounds this way and if every club did this we would have enough for one more quite considerable wish.

Also if you know of a child with a life threatening illness that would like a wish then put them forward. I would love to be able to report at the AGM on our own referrals.

For all the club chairman out there, enjoy the last few months of your year and those coming into office have a superb year in the chair.

Thank you all for all of your posts on social media the number of times Tangent is mentioned is increasing but we need this to increase further. We should be seeing messages every day shouting about events that are due to happen and photos of those that have happened. We need the world to see, who we are, what fun we have and to get those that left circle coming back to join us as they realise what they are missing and for those clubs that are discretionary remember to publicise your meetings in your village or town, you won’t get members if they don’t know you exist.

Remember to wear your badge everywhere you go. I do and I talk about our Family of Clubs to different people every day. If 10,000 of us did that we would become as well known as bread and butter!! TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER, help all the four clubs to grow.

Don’t just think about it Do It.

Jill
The year started off with the finalising of the Belfast conference and AGM and, if I go by the reports and comments I have received, it all went well. The AGM I cannot tell you much about as it went by in a flash. Since then I have hopefully executed my duties as President in a fair and balanced way. I have always put 41 Club at the front of my duties and concerns this year. 

I am proud of all the officers I have and how they have performed. Everything has been within the principles that 41 Club has set for us all to achieve. Fellowship, Round Table, Community and International. In Fellowship as President, I have travelled near and far. Sitting in airports gave me time to reflect and think. But I have been given great support from many of you in home hosting me, driving me around and introducing me to all that is great in our Association. Fellowship is alive and going great in our Association.

Round Table and 41 Club are closer now than they have been in a long time and that has given great advantages for both clubs. This year past Round Tablers have set up seven new clubs and there are more to come. We have assisted Round Table to gain new members and set up new clubs. So our relationship thanks to you all is great and long may that continue. With regard to community involvement by 41 Club, there have been a few debates on this by some past national officers, well I can say to them, that the work between 41, Table, Circle, Tangent, local charities, other service clubs like ours and the community has never been better and it goes back to the ethos that it stays in our local community. I am so proud to be a part of this Association which can achieve so much good.

Internationally we have mended the relationships with International and have been included in more and more that International do. The numbers of British and Irish who travel to these events are growing. We joined the YAP program (Young Ambassador Program) that allows young relatives between 18-25 to travel under the guidance of 41 Club to other member countries. What can this bring back to us? The dividend is that not only do our young have a great cultural exchange but they can experience what Round Table and Circle are really like.

I have had a great year so far and look forward to the last few months, So I finish by saying a few things, Have a healthy and wealthy 2019 and I started by giving you all an Irish toast which was: There are tall ships, there are small ships, there are ships that sail the sea, but the best ships are the friendships that 41 Club has given to me.

Phill
**Maidstone Tangent**

Maidstone Tangent No 14 celebrated its 50th Charter in style on Saturday, 6th October in Bradbourne House in West Malling, Kent. Our Chairman, Sue Hay presented Jill with a cheque for her charity and is pictured here cutting our birthday cake with Jill. We had a wonderful time catching up with friends and looking through photographs and memorabilia from the last 50 years.

**Maidenhead Tangent**

In June Maidenhead Tangent celebrated our 50th Charter with a wonderful afternoon tea at Temple Golf Club. We had everything we could have wanted; delicious food, great weather, a lovely view and most importantly great company. As we were reminded, the friendships made in Circle and Tangent are enduring and it was so nice to have so many ladies, both past and present members with us, and ladies join us from neighbouring clubs. Proceeds of the raffle were donated to Thames Valley Hospice.

**Farnham Tangent**

On 17th October 100 members and friends of Farnham Tangent were joined by National President Jill for a 40th Anniversary celebratory lunch at the Frensham Ponds Country House Hotel, followed by an afternoon of fun and friendship. Members were entertained by a rolling slide show showing past fun and frolics, which raised much laughter and launched many a “Do You Remember That” conversation as camping holidays, international events, parties and trips flashed across the screen.

**Brentwood Tangent**

Brentwood Tangent No. 127 celebrated their 50th Charter with a dinner at The Ivy Hotel, in Ingatestone attended by our National President, Jill Harris. Nicole Carter, one of our members made the most wonderful cake and a presentation by our Brentwood 41 Club made our evening complete.
Emily Wilding Davison

Emily Wilding Davison (11 October 1872 – 8 June 1913) was a suffragette who fought for votes for women in Britain in the early twentieth century. A member of the Women’s Social and Political Union (WSPU) and a militant fighter for her cause, she was arrested on ten occasions, went on hunger strike seven times and was force fed on forty-nine occasions. The toll on her health was terrible and she would return to the family near Morpeth to recover. She died after being hit by King George V’s horse Anmer at the 1913 Derby when she walked onto the track during the race.

On Tuesday 11th September 2018 a new statue of Emily Wilding Davison was unveiled in Morpeth by the Duchess of Northumberland and the Northumberland County Council’s civic head Jeff Watson.

Oxted & District

Oxted and District have had a very interesting year this year, we decided to have one member organise one meeting throughout the year. We meet for 10 meetings, one AGM and one Christmas meeting which seems always to be at my house! So we needed 10 volunteers! We have had our eldest lady who is into her 80’s volunteering to book a dinner out and then we have been on walks and various things. We have a Reflexology meeting in January and a visit to the Police Motorway CCTV operation, a talk on Mindfulness and food sampling! At our Christmas meeting one of our members who used to be a nursery teacher took us through some games where I had to dress up as a reindeer – see photo!

Leeds Tangle

November and December saw Leeds Tangle catching up with our friends in Telford Tangle and having a bottomless prosecco lunch in Leeds. We got into the Christmas spirit by making our own wreaths. We all went into our gardens and other local areas with bin liners and secateurs and brought it all to Chairman Jo’s house. A few hours later and our wreaths were ready to hang.

Leeds Tangle have also enjoyed some #sidesybside time with our younger sisters in Rothwell Circle. We supported them at their annual community event, Santa in The Park, where Santa arrived in a fire engine to greet local children. Finally, just before Christmas we visited the refurbished Piece Hall with Rothwell Circle to sample gin!
One of Chelmsford County members son Nick Cheshire co-founded The Ark Centre in 2015. Both his children had been diagnosed with autism and like many other parents whose children had been diagnosed with autism, could not find any help for them.

In 2015 with the help of four behaviour therapists they opened the doors to The Ark Centre, named after their son Noah. The Ark provides therapies for Children between 2-5 years old with autism and/or social communication difficulties. The Centre is a registered non-for-profit charity (1163136) and is Ofsted Registered. www.thearkcentre.org

In the future they aim to raise as much money as possible to help the Ark Centre move to larger premises. The Centre has very limited outside play space, moving to larger premises with better outside play area will facilitate more children attending the Centre reducing the waiting list. In addition, Nick & Sarah would like to be able to host outreach training sessions for families whose children are on the waiting list. Our Tangent wished to support our member's son and so sponsored this bike ride with £250. We are also sponsoring another £250 for the planned 550km bike ride from Vietnam to Cambodia in February, which Nick is planning to take part in.

Horley Tangent have continued to work with local charity Stripey Stork through 2018. They have been involved in various projects such as “Bags4school’ and RunReigate and have been very busy for the last few months supporting Stripey Stork’s Christmas campaign. This years Santa Stork campaign saw them help collect, sort, organise and wrap gifts for 1517 children and 828 carers gifts.

In an amazing feat of organisation all the main presents plus stocking fillers are brought together on one day in December to be wrapped and then collected by the health professionals to be distributed to the families for Xmas.
Earlier this year we told you about Tidzisamale, a project to keep girls in Malawi in school, and how Nottingham City Tangent was involved. We were overwhelmed by offers of support and your generosity. Donations of sewing machines, fabric, scissors, pants - and everything else we could wish for - have been transported in car loads to land up with Joy, who has also driven to collect boxes and bag stuffed with goodies!

We wanted to tell you what’s been happening since we wrote the article...

First, the ladies we trained have opened sewing centres in 4 very poor villages, and trained 20 women in each. Collectively they have made and distributed over 2,000 pads to girls in the Thyolo area.

Secondly, a second workshop was run in July to show how to make things that can be sold or bartered to generate income and promote sustainability.

Our other priority now is to help the project to become sustainable, and to raise funds to build a dedicated workshop, shop and storage.

If you still have donations you would like to give us: email joyyates2you@gmail.com

Raised £2,535 for Dorothy House Hospice Care

Friday saw the culmination of the fund raising for Dorothy House with Dorothy’s Tea Party and the Grand Raffle Draw. Two thousand Raffle tickets had been sold and thirty Raffle Prizes been donated with a value of nearly £700. Dorothy House Shop opened their doors for the Tea Party which was opened by Andy Neal Shepton Mallet Town Crier. Alan Elkington from Dorothy House and all Shepton Mallet Tangent members were in attendance to serve coffee and tea with homemade cakes. Christine Harding, Chairman of Shepton Mallet Tangent, would like to thank the many businesses in Shepton Mallet who supported the project with prizes, raffle tickets, and posters. The people of the town have supported us in an amazing way and we would like to wish Dorothy House the best for the future with their compassion and care. We would also like to thank Val Shering, who lost her husband this year and had support from Dorothy House, for selling over 600 Raffle tickets to local people. Having embarked on this venture it appears that many people in the area have benefited from the Dorothy House Hospice Care and it is a service which is very much needed. Special thanks also have to go to Tetley GB Ltd and The Blakemore Foundation (Spar) for their generous donations.
**Downend Tangent**

Downend Tangent were delighted to celebrate Lilian Brown’s 90th Birthday recently. Lilian was Founder Chairman of Downend Circle who chartered in 1965. The National President attended the event held in the Royal Hotel, Bristol.

Lilian went on to be Area 5 Chairman 1969/70 and Extension Officer attending the International Conference in Denmark where she was delighted to meet the International President of India in Copenhagen. As a result Downend Circle instituted the Grant available for Area Chairs to be able to attend International.

Lilian was a Founder Member of Downend Tangent 177 Chartered in 1969 where she has held all the posts over the years and remains an active and enthusiastic member.

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**Lymington & District Tangent**

Lymington and District Tangent Club 336, enjoyed a Christmas Lunch at the Beach House Hotel, Milford-on-Sea. The Celebrations were tinged with sadness as two longstanding members Maureen Bradley and Brenda Stevens had died in December, however glasses were raised in their memory and of the Friendship and Fun we had shared during the many happy years we had all spent with them in Ladies Circle and Tangent.

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**Winchester Tangent**

Winchester Tangent joined Winchester and District Circle’s 70th Anniversary on 1st September 2018. They were invited to choose to represent one decade in the seven decades of Circle’s life. One group went for Coronation Year and the other a Typical Circle Celebration.
Following the death of our much loved Treasurer of 17 years, Carol Schofield, in 2017, the members of Thornton Cleveleys Tangent Club agreed to raise money with a raffle at each meeting to provide a memorial to Carol and Past Members. Sufficient funds were raised for a memorial bench to be installed at the Wyre Estuary Country Park in memory of all Past Members. The idea for the bench was proposed by Denise Haslam, our Chair Person at the time.

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Members of Haworth & District 362 greatly enjoyed an afternoon with a local florist. After watching a demonstration each member was able to have a go at making their own boutonnière. The afternoon was rounded off with tea and home-made cakes demonstrating that the florist is as skilful at cake making as she is at floristry.
Coastal Cluster Tangent 948 presents

A ‘Novel’ Lunch
Scottish Regional Lunch

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Saturday 7th September 2019
12pm at The Glen Pavilion, Pittencrief Park,
Dunfermline, KY12 8QH

£35

Raffle in support of
Perkinsson's UK Fife Branch

South West Regional Lunch
Hosted by Taunton 199 and Wellington 16
Saturday 5th October 2019
At
Somerset County Cricket Club
Coffee Reception from 11 a.m Sales’ stalls
Three course lunch
Guest Speaker

Further details available soon on Tangent website

In aid of Ladies Circle International
Service Project 2019 -2021

Jin-gle bell ball

16th November 2019
Castle Hotel, Windsor
(20 miles from London)

£55 early bird until 1st July

To book online go to
tiny.cc/Gin-gle

For more information, please contact
gin.glebellball19@gmail.com

Save the Date

Bournemouth Tangent No.1
Platinum 70th Birthday Lunch

Saturday 15th February 2020
at
Dudsbury Golf Club Hotel and Spa,
Bh22 8ST

Please join us!
Booking details to follow
Book of Remembrance

Muriel Haigh
Hebden Bridge 204

Anne Llewellyn
Northwich 426

Avril James
Milford Haven Tangent Club 704

Brenda Stevens
Lymington & District 336

Fiona Fraser
Westhull & District Tangent 832

Freda Wilkinson
Newbury Tangent 287

Gaynor Mullane
City of London Tangent 929

Gillian Boughey
Toddington Tangent 660

Jenny Pickup
Northwich 426

Laraine Cox
Aylesbury Tangent 481

Lois Crane
High Wycombe 170

Margaret Parry
Alcester 710

Mary Grigg
Redruth Tangent 695

Maureen Bradley
Lymington & District 336

Myra Cusick
Erdington 100

Norma Way
Ripley 158 (Former member of Derby 22)

Paddy Cottle
Thornbury Tangent 400

Sue Atkin
Erdington 100

Valerie Best
Lagan Valley 707

Wendy Proffit
Northwich 426

REGARDING OBITUARIES...

Did you know that we record the names of members who have recently died in the magazine, but you can also send a longer, written obituary for posting on the Tangent website? Your club can celebrate your member’s life, through your words and a photo if you wish. Please send anything you wish to be included to the Editor.

Email: editor@tangent-clubs.org for publication in Tangent News and inclusion on the website.
Introducing the new Team App for Tangent

Team App is free and we have used this to create a Tangent Clubs app that can be used on your smartphone or tablet device.

You need to download Team App to your phone/tablet, sign-up and then join your Tangent Club team.

Fellow these steps:
1. Download Team App from the Apple or Google Play app store.
2. Sign up to Team App. You will be sent an email to confirm your registration.
3. Log into the App and search for “Tangent Clubs”.
4. Choose your applicable access group(s).
5. If you don’t have a smartphone go to Tangentclub.teamapp.com to sign up and view this App online.

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