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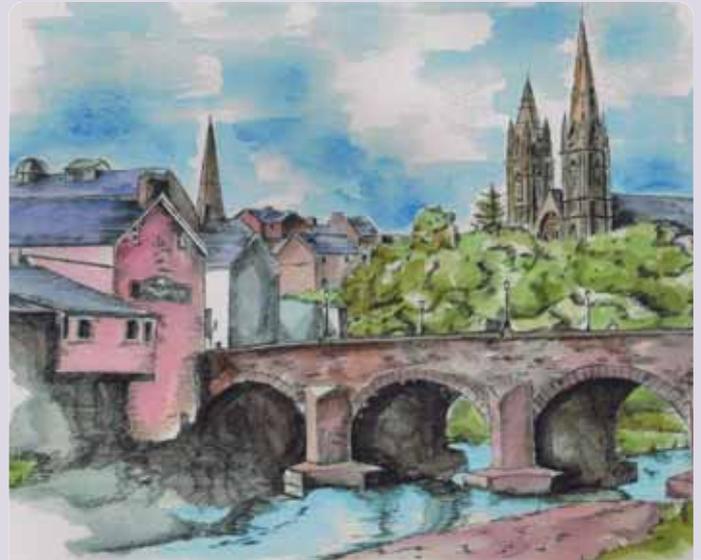


Tracey Pickin
National President 2021-
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Regional Lunch**
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National President 2021/22
Tracey Pickin
Invites you to join her for the

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Champagne Reception
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**Crisis is delighted to announce
partnership with Tangent Clubs**

As an independent charity, our work is only possible because of our wonderful supporters. This is why Crisis is delighted to announce a partnership with Tangent Clubs. Tangent is celebrating its 50th Anniversary with a new president in post, Tracey Pickin, who has selected Crisis to be her chosen charity.

Tangent have an exciting line-up of fundraising events, including a 24 hour Bakeathon, a charity lunch on 17 July, and a ball on 29 January 2022. As well as raising crucial funds, the events will raise awareness of the issues that force some women into homelessness.

“We are incredibly grateful for the support from Tracey Pickin and the National Association of Tangent Clubs.

Their support will help us deliver the vital services needed to help people end their homelessness. By bringing people together across the country, it also sends a message to anyone without a home that they are not forgotten. Thank you to each and every one of the Tangent Club members for supporting Crisis. Your support will help us end homelessness once and for all” - Richard Lee, Director of Fundraising

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Welcome

....to my first edition of Tangent News.

A big thank you to my Tangent friends for encouraging me to take on this role. So exciting and such a big learning curve with the New Website.

Please allow me to apologise for not getting this copy out to you sooner. I will be very happy to share your new stories, events, achievements and celebrations, with pictures too in the next issue. (11th September - closing date for next copy)

I hope to have so much more to share in the next magazine as we all come safely out of lockdown. Meeting with one another after over a year apart will be such an emotional time. We are so lucky to be part of an organisation which is built on its root's of 'continued friendship' and service.

We empower women through friendship.

Which reminds me that the National Exec. really wanted to thank you all who supported the Tangent Team Exec working together 2020-2021 throughout lockdown and managed to raise **£4,050** for the chosen charity of the last year **The British Red Cross**.

Yours in Continued Friendship

Pauline x

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I am delighted to be able to support both Tracey and National Association of Tangent Clubs, with sponsorship for both the 50th Anniversary Lunch and Tracey’s Charity Ball.

I am confident that this support will help raise funds for Crisis, in turn helping those who are homeless, into employment and their own accommodation.

I know Tracey personally and have seen her over many years, help raise monies for many worth-while causes. She is an exemplary ambassador for Tangent. She has talked to us about her ideas to protect the Association’s future and, look beyond the next 12 months, with a framework that will take you through the next decade.

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Very best wishes

Matthew Bell BA (Hons) FPFs
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Prosperity Wealth



Hello Ladies

It's a real pleasure to be writing my first magazine article as your President – thank you.

We missed another year's conference but did hold our first online AGM which didn't go as smoothly as we had hoped but did allow us to get through the Association's business – thank you for your patience and thank you to my own Tangent ABOTS and my hardworking PLC for making the day special for me.

We said a fond farewell to Jill Harris and Kate Jones who left the National Executive. Both have worked hard for the Association for many years - thank you ladies. We also welcomed two new members to the team - Sue Eyre as Secretary and Pauline Ormerod as Editor and Website Co-ordinator. We saw Heather Parry become our new Vice-President and I'm delighted that Sue Hill (IPP), Shirley Chard (Treasurer), Emma-Jane Wright (Marketing and Membership) and Doreen Lovett (Admin) remain as part of the Executive. Together we will do our very best for Tangent. Thank you for your commitment. I am so looking forward to working with these ladies.

One more set of people to thank before I move on - I want to thank my sponsors. It is never easy to get sponsorship and as Tangent does not have a high profile (yet) it is challenging but in order to keep prices of events, (particularly fundraisers) down and still provide splendid events, sponsorship is important and I have been fortunate to achieve support for my Charitable Events and the 50th Anniversary Lunch from 3 generous companies - Prosperity Wealth, SEGRO and L&Q Estates. If you get the opportunity to support them please do! My theme for the year is Celebrating the past. Shaping the future. It's something I would like every Club and Member to do. We have so much to celebrate, so many good times to remember – do share your best memory of Tangent. What were you doing? Who were you with? Do you have a precious photo? It would be lovely to share some of those memories over the year and particularly at our 50th Anniversary Lunch. Please email your memory to president@tangent-clubs.org.

Tracey – President x

SEGRO

SEGRO is proud to be able to support the President of The National Association of Tangent Clubs and Tangent's fundraising efforts for Crisis. The work Crisis are doing to end homelessness for good is crucial to ensuring that there is a home for all in the future. SEGRO is pleased to be able to play a small part in helping them achieve this.

We wish Tracey and Tangent every success in the coming year.

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Tracey's memory

Mine's an odd memory to celebrate and I don't have a photograph but do remember, amongst the concern and fear, a great deal of laughter and friendship and that's what I would like to celebrate.

Our ferry on the way to Jersey conference caught fire. Everyone was safe and we limped back to port, meeting again the following day for a second attempt at the journey. It took us over 3 days from leaving home in the Midlands to arriving in Jersey halfway through the Presidents' Banquet! Tangent (and 41 Club) friends made those 3 days such happy days. What's your happy memory?

I am also keen that we plan for our future and ensure that Tangent is here for future generations to enjoy. Please be generous in your thinking, whilst some of the things we plan or change might not benefit you or your Club please support it so that others can create the memories you may already have to look back on. I hope you like the new web-site (we have worked very hard on it) and this, along with the decisions you made at the AGM, are already steps towards shaping our future. If you have thoughts or ideas about our future please let me know, again at president@tangent-clubs.org

It's a real privilege to be able to choose a charity and ask you all to support it so I have chosen carefully and would be grateful if you would support Crisis in any way you can, - volunteering, fundraising or just raising awareness. Crisis is not just about Christmas, they do marvellous work, throughout the UK, and all year round.

Homelessness is not just about those sleeping rough. It is about those who, often through no fault of their own, do end up on the streets but the largest numbers of homeless people are people like you and me, families or young people who perhaps have lost their job or had a relationship breakdown or have a long term chronic illness or whose finances have got out of control for a variety of reasons.

As a womens' organisation I would be keen for us to help Crisis address the fact that 42% of the officially counted homeless are women. That figure includes those who are rough sleeping, women living in sheds, sofa surfing, hostels and unsuitable temporary accommodation.

Crisis helps people 'get back on track' by helping them into accommodation through education, training and addressing their health and wellbeing needs, all of which in turn helps them into employment. Crisis Skylight Centres provide education in English as a second language, computer skills, they provide practical training in plastering, carpentry, painting and decorating, retail skills, catering. Employment is the real key to permanent accommodation.



Together
we will end
homelessness

I know some clubs don't do big fundraising events but perhaps just empty the coppers/silver from your purses when you are together and send that off to me or have a raffle amongst yourselves. Buy a badge £3, buy a bottle of Champagne. I'm selling bottles of (Renard Barnier which retails for £25/6) for £20 and £6 of that will go to Crisis or perhaps book your ticket to come to my ball on 29th January 2022 or sponsor the 24 hour Bakeathon on 11/12 June but please do something.

As I had to wait 2 years to become President – I'm being a bit greedy and asking you to do something else – Tangent Acts of Kindness. What can your Club do to improve something or make someone feel better? What small act of kindness will make a difference? Don't forget to let me know. There will be prizes!!

So that's a lot of requests from me – Tangent memories? Ideas for the future? Raising funds for Crisis? Tangent Acts of Kindness? well 'might as well be hung for a sheep as a lamb' so my final request (for this edition anyway) is please invite me along to your meeting/celebration - you can always cancel!

Looking forward to seeing you when we are all out and about and, in the meantime

Take care!

Tracey x



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Claire's story

By sharing stories we can change attitudes and build a movement for permanent, positive change. Stand against homelessness and help us end it for good. Claire



"I was married for 18 years but it turned into a very abusive relationship. It was more psychological than anything else. He tried to control every part of my life. It's hard to explain what it was like. My son is only one and a half but my husband wasn't a bad father and when I left I had nowhere to go so I left him at home while I tried to find my own accommodation.

I went to the council and they put me in a hostel but it was controlled by another woman who was always drunk. She would bang on the doors and scream all the time. I was always afraid. I could never sleep. It was horrible. After two weeks I went to the council to ask for somewhere else but they said there was nothing available and if I didn't go back I would be intentionally homeless. I was too scared. I didn't want to be around those people. It was making everything worse not better. My mental health was really struggling and I was beginning to turn to drink myself but unless you're about to jump off a cliff the doctors don't really want to know. They just don't have time to listen to your story.

Now I just bid on council flats while trying to make enough money during the day to get a room in a backpackers' hostel. They're about £12 per night. It's sometimes in a shared room but it's much safer and it's usually with ok people. Otherwise I sleep on the street. When you bid they give you three choices; one in a good area, one in a bad area and one in a hi-rise. You're never going to get the good ones, it's impossible. Even the bad ones take months. But I go every day and hopefully I'll get something.

I still see my son every day. I go to StreetWork – a homeless charity here in Edinburgh – to clean up every morning. Then I pick him up from home and take him to his baby group just to spend time with him. My husband knows my situation. I've got nothing to hide. He just thinks I'm being stupid so I try to avoid talking about it.

I don't know what will happen, I'm just trying to keep going. My mum died last week. We had a difficult relationship but I'm trying to make enough money to get to her funeral. Occasionally you'll get an angel who will come past and help you out but most people just look through you. It still upsets me. I don't want to live like this."



Tangent and Crisis in Partnership

The pandemic has shown more than ever just how important a secure home is for us all. Thanks to the vital work of councils across the country, emergency accommodation was provided for over 37,000 people without a home to shelter from the virus.



Heather Parry

Vice-President

This is extremely exciting my first article as Vice President!!!

Firstly, I hope you are all continuing to stay safe and well.

A big thank you to all those who sent messages of support for the National Executive following the technical difficulties we had at the AGM it was so nice to feel the friendship reaching out from your messages. It is a great honour to be accepted by you as your VP and I am itching to start planning for the next chapter in my and life and that of NATC.



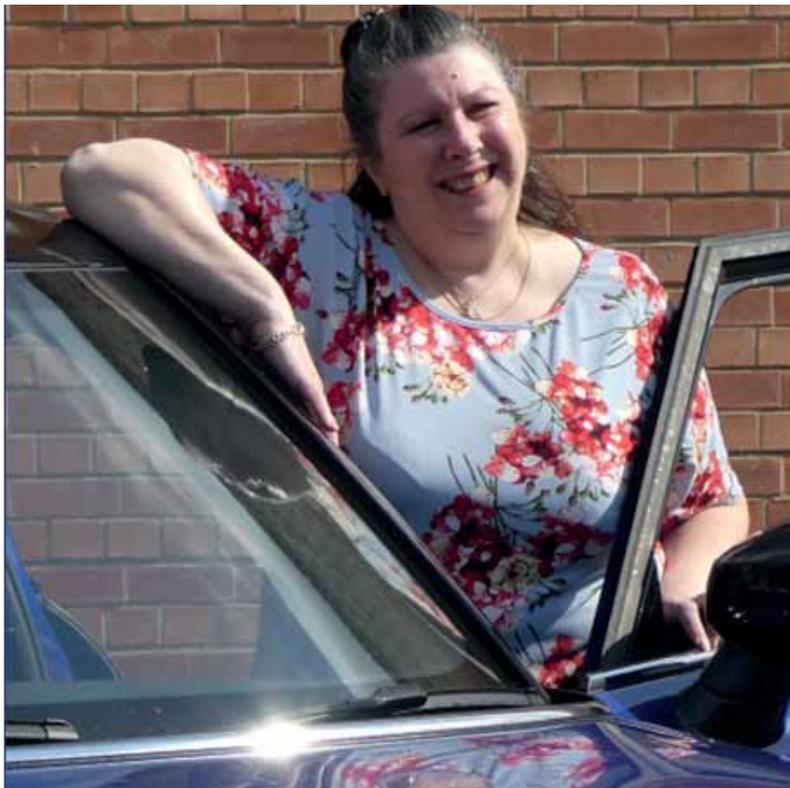
As Vice I am responsible for looking after the Regional Lunches, ordering the Marcasite brooches for past/present Tangent Chairmen, Marcasite jewellery: - earrings, necklace, charms, also the crystal pins. All these order forms can be found on our new website.

If you have a special anniversary next year let me know, I would love to share the celebrations with you, you can view my Diary and complete a booking form online via the website.

Supporting the rest of the National Exec and especially our new National President Tracey as we “Celebrate the Past and Shape the Future” will have its challenges as we emerge from lockdowns, and restrictions, but I am confident we are all up to the task and a great year lies ahead of us.

So, I sign off this short article by raising a glass to all our members and give a toast to our fabulous Association I look forward to seeing you all when it is safe to do so.

YICF Heather



Doreen Lovett

Executive Administrator

Hi Ladies

I have been a very busy person working continuously throughout lockdowns and during the past Covid year.

Sat on my own using zoom at my desk dealing with house sales and my elderly clientele. Looking forward, I hope to have more time to spend on the Tangent Directory and coordinating the information on paper with that on the new website. Two completely different systems that need merging correctly that will benefit us all in the future. Please bear with us as we make the necessary forward looking updates to our Central Directory. Your support is essential to its completion so please try and access the website to register what needs to be done. I so look forward to meeting up again in real life rather than on zoom and spending time on what I enjoy.

Sending virtual hugs, Doreen



Shirley Chard

National Treasurer

I am sure we are all looking forward to being able to meet up again. I am really pleased to have had both my vaccine shots.

It has been a long year! The back end of this year is looking very busy which means we should all be able to get back to some normality.

As you will have heard, there is no capitation to be collected this year, so no payment until 2022. It was so good to see this passed at the AGM, so we could give you something back, following such a difficult year, so I look forward to receiving your £7.50 per member next year for the calendar year of 2022. The payment is due between January 1st and June 30th 2022, which will enable capitation to be collected at next year's AGM if you wish.

It was great that the new website was launched on the same day as our AGM. It has a really fresh, modern look and feel and plenty of information in the new members only area. It will make it so much easier for you to update your club details, list your members and if you wish, get your own copies of our mailings.

I sincerely hope you will take a look and register as a member. Your email address will act as your user ID. Take care.

Best wishes, Shirley Chard.



Sue Eyre

National Secretary

Hello Ladies

Thank you for your vote of confidence in electing me as your National Secretary.

I am really looking forward to keeping Clubs up to date through our mailings, which continue to be delivered via Mailchimp and are available on the website. You may notice some of our branding coming through in the mailings and I encourage you to look at the guidelines produced by Emma, which are also on the website.

Thank you to everyone that supported the National Executive during the virtual AGM. You'll find more details of the results of the AGM and your 2021-22 National Executive within this edition of Tangent News. A summary was also emailed to your Club Contact, which I hope you have received. We do have a high rate of Club mailings being read, around 70%, so would encourage all Club Contacts to continue checking their mailboxes and forward the mailings to their members. If you believe your Club Contact details are incorrect, please update them via the website or contact admin@tangent-clubs.org

It's been a very busy first few weeks following the AGM, especially learning about the New Website and Central Directory. Remember to return your Club's Directory details by 30th June 2021 which you can submit online and update at any time during the Tangent year.

I'm also kept busy in my role as secretary for the 50th Anniversary Lunch Committee. Remember to mail Tangent50th@gmail.com with any of your memories and photographs of significant events in your Club's history and from regional, national and possibly even International events. It certainly will be a day of 'Celebrating the Past'.

It won't be long before we can meet up again and celebrate our friendships at lunches and social events, though there will still be Zoom events for you join. I am really looking forward to supporting Tracey during her year as President and supporting Crisis.

Yours in continued friendship,

Sue Eyre



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Membership Matters



Hello Ladies, gosh, where do I start? I have so much to share with you in this magazine edition!

It is lovely to see our Clubs beginning to emerge again after the lockdowns we have all been subjected to. I appreciate some of you will be more cautious than others, and that's ok. Some of you may have seen on our social media pages that I have been posting likening our Clubs to butterflies emerging, and that's just how I view you all. Butterflies don't all emerge simultaneously; they take their first flight at all times over the coming season, just like you will do as Clubs.

This coming year as your Marketing and Membership Officer, I have lots to share with you. Firstly I do hope as members you have been and had a walk through our New Website. For those of you that haven't yet, please do; we are immensely proud of it. The new site offers you as members and your Clubs lots of exciting and new information. What's On? Where you find out when the next luncheon or event is happening. Our affinity deals, a place to do a little retail therapy, whether it's a future holiday you may be thinking about or need a new hat for an event. Your Club might be looking to recruit new ladies; there's a how-to guide and helpful tips and ideas on how to run your Club, all your club mailing, every-thing you need to know about your new executive, new President Tracey, her vision for Tangent and her charity, Crisis.

Zoom/ online meetings and gatherings I know will still play a big part in everything we do. I think it's a good thing, it means I can offer you as Clubs and members to be part of a meeting I hadn't even thought possible. Over the coming months, I will be holding zoom nights for Club members to find out more. This could be what's available to Clubs in promotional items if you want to have a recruitment night for new members or introduce yourselves to your local Ladies Circle, tips, and ideas on holding that meeting or event. How Social Media can help your Club, keep your members informed and let your fellow members across the country know what you are doing. Running your Club! I hear some of you say, "our Club runs perfectly fine, thank you!" Does it, though? Do you get bogged down in minuting every event? Do you have to have all the officers?

Would you like to get more involved with your community and fundraising? Event/ programme ideas and planning your pro-programme year ahead? Would you like to try new ideas but not sure what other members may feel about your idea, that you fancy 'Axe Throwing'! The dates of all the evening will be in your Mailing from Sue Eyre, your new National Secretary. Pauline, your new Editor, will put details on the Website and of course, you can contact me anytime. I'm happy to join a Club night and chat to you all about any of the things mentioned above or all of them?

You will see the Membership Matters newsletter dropping into your Club contacts email inbox in June, August, October, November & February, so make sure your Club contact/ secretary mails this out to you. This will also cover some of the topics above as well.

We have recently launched a new Club, E-Club is an online Club for women who don't have a Tangent Club near to them, prefer to meet online as it suits their lifestyle, or would like to find out a bit more about the organisation before committing to a Club, or are thinking of starting a new Club. The E-Club held its inaugural meeting on Thursday 20th May attended by 12 ladies; there are, as I write this, another six ladies interested in joining. This Club will be the same as any other Club; they will have all their meetings online and join us at National events and invites in person should they wish. Having the E-Club means all of the UK Round Table family organisations now have an online club. We all see lots of fun ahead between the RT Family E-Clubs.

I look forward to seeing many of you over the next Tangent year as we get to attend in-person events and remember to share any idea and pictures of the fun you are having with me.



Yours in continued friendship

Emma





Immediate Past President Sue

Fellow Tangent Members, Friends

It is wonderful to see the start of the new Tangent year and to have finally handed over officially to Tracey as your new President.



For all of us across the country and indeed the world the past twelve months have been very difficult, and for many who have lost family and friends to this dreadful pandemic even worse. However, in the UK at least we can see some hope on the horizon as we all receive our vaccinations and the numbers start to look more hopeful.

To everyone who joined us for our first on-line AGM “Thank you”. You made history that day! It did not run smoothly in every respect, but the resourcefulness of our members came to the rescue and we completed all the business. Thank you so much to everyone who sent messages of support, it meant a lot to me and

We are all very proud of the history of Tangent, and celebrate our anniversaries and Charters with enormous pride, and we all look to the future and plan for wonderful things to come. At the start of my Presidential year (it feels so long ago now!) I asked a small team of the Exec to look at our record keeping and to come up with a more efficient and secure way of storing Club data. This project expanded and we decided to bite the bullet and incorporate a new website so that members could have a portal to edit their own details safely and securely. This wonderful project finally came to fruition with the launch on the day of our AGM. I am so grateful to my Exec team who made my vision into reality, and I would urge you all to go to www.tangent-clubs.org and set yourself up as a member by clicking the button on the top right corner. A small step towards a better future!

I have a number of interests outside Tangent, one in particular is gardening. There are many similarities – I review what went well last year and what was not so successful, I plan all through the winter for what I want to change (Yes I keep taking up more and more of the lawns to make bigger and better flower beds and features much to the consternation of my husband). My big project this spring and summer is to make a shade garden in an area under some trees where the grass would not grow but the moss did! I love sowing seeds and putting together hanging baskets and containers and then nurturing and watering them through the summer. Even when October comes and I put everything away and the vegetables and fruit have been gathered I am looking forward to the next gardening year. And so we do with Tangent, we plan events, we enjoy them, often dressed to the nines in dresses and hats, (looking not unlike a flower bed with all the bright colours) and afterwards we review how they went and look forward to next year and the latest crop of fun and friendship. Both with the garden and Tangent the annual cycle brings structure and allows us to enjoy every moment of our involvement.

I am proud to be part of the Tangent Exec for the next year and wish Tracey a wonderful blooming year as our President!
Sue Hill



One of Sue Hill's roles is to represent GB&I at our Tangent Club International AGM Meeting. She has posted the outcome of that meeting to your Club contact. Please read.

Jill Harris was elected Secretary to the International Exec and we will follow her progress and wish her many Congratulations.

Tangent Acts of Kindness

At the Tangent AGM it was announced that Lichfield Tangle had been awarded the **Star Award**. The award recognises a Tangent's fundraising efforts and celebrates the way they have gone about fundraising and shared this in the magazine and / or social media rather than an actual amount.

Congratulations and well done to Lichfield Tangle;

- emptied their charity pot
- made NHS uniform washbags
- filled 20p pieces in smartie tubes
- held a Race night
- delivered Round Table leaflets advertising Santa's upcoming visits



An act of kindness, one of many.

Hope everyone is keeping well in these strange, difficult, emotional and often worrying times. As the vaccination roll out continues, we can all look forward to a brighter future. In these times we realise the importance of looking out for one another, a telephone call, hearing a friendly voice, can make a difference. I retired from the NHS 2 years ago. Initially this was to give me the opportunity to travel with Andrew in his year as National President of 41 Club. A year full of friendship, and leaving us with some special memories. I received a phone call from the surgery where I used to work, asking if I would be willing to return as a volunteer in the local vaccination centre, this would involve some COVID on line training in the first instance. Following on from this I put my scrubs back on, and have been helping with giving the vaccinations, observing, and taking Blood pressure at the Health Innovation Centre at Lancaster University. The vaccination programme is a mammoth undertaking. Thousands of volunteers in whatever capacity are helping in many ways to reach our goal of a more normal way of life. Everyone is so grateful and happy to be receiving the vaccination. I feel honoured that I am able to contribute in some small way, being a small cog in a very large wheel.

Mildred Mackereth Lancaster & Dragons Tangent Clubs.



Welshampton Community Service Award 2020

Congratulations to Glo Wright on being awarded the Welshampton Community Service Award 2020. So well deserved for her loyalty, commitment and dedication as a Foundation Governor to Welshampton School, for help and support to the Village Hall and her devotion to Welshampton Church, having been church warden for 22 years, and will we ever forget the wonderful soups and scones she made for the annual Plant Sale?

Because of Covid 19 restrictions, only a small occasion could take place at Welshampton Church. Andrew Haydon made the presentation accompanied by Headmaster Andrew Hudson and church treasurer Guy Wellsbury. It was a beautiful sunny day and with the surprise arrival of her daughters, Penny from Ellesmere and Lisa who had travelled up from Berkshire, made a good day a perfect day for Glo.

We all give Glo a big 'Thank You' for all the time, support and love she has given to Welshampton over the years.



National President Peter Good



One year as a “digital” President, but one good thing to come out of the pandemic has helped us to move 41 Club forward, which we needed to do. Having watched our membership go down by thousands over the past few years, change had to happen. With over 20 thousand ex Tablers out there that didn’t join 41 Club, we have had to make our clubs more attractive for them to choose to join.

The days of the old dinner clubs are not appealing enough for the younger more active Tablers to join in this day and age. They were fine for members 25 years ago and those who still enjoy this type of club are fine to carry on like that, but unfortunately they will not attract new members.

Life has changed so much over the past 20 years and even more so in the last year.

I am on zoom every day sometimes 3 meetings a night and now next week I start with a few face to face meetings which I am really looking forward to. Of course I can still join another club’s zoom meeting in the car on the way if I am not driving! So, when I get a past President saying “you have had it easy this year”, I think “what?! Oh yea it’s been so easy?!” After work I gulp my meal down every night to get onto zoom on time, shut myself in a room alone with just a screen . There are no functions to go to or International AGMs to enjoy; that would be the easy way to be a President.

41 Clubs biggest asset this year has been Connects. We really have connected with the members and I get regular emails saying “never been interested in National before this year, now I want to be part of it.”

We have had over twenty new clubs form and seven more starting up in July. Four clubs that disaffiliated a few years ago have come back to join us which is really encouraging.

Our special interest groups are getting bigger all the time and proving to be really popular, these and connects will continue after the pandemic to give our members more to take part in than in past years. The Connects gives clubs the opportunity to have top named speakers that they wouldn’t be able to afford as individual clubs. All are recorded so that they can use them at their meetings any time. They are also available for Tangent to use should they wish.

We managed to raise over £22,000 for my charity Dementia UK, which in these circumstances is fantastic. Thanks to all the ladies that joined in the walk.

In October we have the “Big Weekend” this will be a fantastic weekend with first class entertainment and a few surprises added in. There will be a bottle of my Gin in every room instead of the usual carry bag of rubbish.

I would like to wish Tracey and her new Exec all the best for the forth coming year, and hope that we are able to work together more than we have in the past year.

It will be fantastic to see you there for a great reunion of 41 Club and Tangent after these different times . Peter Good

President Peter is really excited about The 41 Club Big Weekend in October being put together by his PLC in compliance with all the Covid guidelines!



BOOKING AT 41club75.org

JOIN US FOR A FABULOUS
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Fifty Glorious Years of Fun and Friendship



Anniversary Lunch Saturday 18th September 2021

Hello Ladies,

A member who booked into the NATC 50th Anniversary Lunch and is unable to attend has donated her ticket. This ticket will be gifted to a Tangent member nominated by you. We would like you to nominate a Tangent member who may have been an unsung heroine during the past year, maybe has had a particularly challenging time, or just deserves to receive this very generous donation! Please contact Tangent50th@gmail.com for a nomination form. We look forward to receiving your nominations.

Yours in continued friendship,

The 50th Anniversary Lunch Committee

Hebden Bridge celebrated their 50th Charter Night



Hebden Bridge and District Tangent 204 donned 'glad rags' and enjoyed a virtual, progressive dinner. Lots of laughs, fun and friendship.

Thanks to Julie Finney for the photos



Ringwood & District Tangent Community Litter pick

Ringwood & District Tangent Community Litter pick in April

Joined with local 41ers and Tablers including Beavers, Cubs and school groups to tidy our streets. First outdoor meeting helping our local community. Nothing quite like getting back together again.



Making the most of the coast

Following the success of the 41 Club Facebook walking group we have added a new National walking weekend to our Fellowship events calendar

And for me there was no better place to kickstart the event in my home county of Pembrokeshire where we will be walking parts of the Pembrokeshire coast path. The Pembrokeshire Coast National Park is the only UK National Park designed for its coastal landscape and is one of the ecologically richest and most diverse parts of Wales.

The walking weekend will be held on 24-26 September with our base being located in the village of Lamphey just outside Pembroke where we will be taking over the Lamphey Hall hotel and some rooms in the nearby Lamphey Court hotel. Some excellent walks are arranged over the 2 days, with varying distances on the Saturday ranging from a couple of miles for those who want to amble or 12.5 miles for the more adventurous.

The price for the weekend which includes B&B plus 3 course evening meals on the Fri and Sat eve is £300 per couple. Single supplements apply. We are currently designing the booking site but in the meantime if anyone has any queries please do not hesitate to contact me @ fellowship@41Club.org



BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE LC GB&I 85th CHARTER EVENT

Date: **Saturday 26th February 2022** Time: **6:30pm**

Venue: **Scarborough Spa, South Bay, YO11 2HD**

Price: **£55pp**

Bookings are only open to Circle, Agora, and Tangent members and their female guests.

LC GB&I 85th Charter Event Team

Event team email - lcgb85@gmail.com

Keep up to date via the Facebook event page <https://fb.me/e/YT5Bc7ui>



In need of some inspiration? A Ladies Circle story

Chronic pain is a challenge to live with. Not simply because it's painful, but because it isn't always visible, it can require constant explanation.

I started to experience pain and stiffness in my shoulders in my 20's. I visited the GP and had some physio, it helped a bit, then it didn't help at all.

After I had my first child, I started to really struggle with painful feet and then what I thought was carpal tunnel in my wrists. It all eased up when I was pregnant with my second, but came back worse after my youngest was born. When my feet started to deform, I sought out some medical help.

After a lot of investigations and a biopsy of my foot I was eventually diagnosed with the autoimmune condition Rheumatoid Arthritis.

I'm on a pretty good medication regime now, which is slowing down the damage, so I feel pretty lucky but I'm still living every day in pain. I often can't hold my toothbrush in the morning, it takes a while for the stiffness to ease every day and then walking is painful on my damaged feet. My hands hurt and I drop things, I can't stand still for long or my back hurts and stiffens up too. It makes running around after two little boys a challenge!

But to everyone outside of my house, I'm a happy smiling Mum of two. I have a busy social life, I am a student, I keep busy volunteering with several organisations and of course I have a great time being an active member of my Circle.

I would love for my friends, colleagues and loved ones to understand better what my experience of chronic pain is like. So, I was thrilled when I read about Versus Arthritis #ThePainfulTruth campaign.

Versus Arthritis have identified that only 6 minutes of the most watched TV in the UK in 2019 depicted experiences of chronic pain. When they were shown, they were often dismissed or misrepresented.

What we watch on screen helps to shape our perception of the world around us, it can give us insight into things that are normally hidden and challenge misconceptions we hold. When this is done in the right way, it can have a really positive impact. So, Versus Arthritis have worked hard to put together guidelines for the TV and Film industry on how to depict chronic pain. As part of this effort, they've made a call for people to share their experiences under the hashtag #ThePainfulTruth to inspire the TV and Film Industry to represent our experiences realistically.

I'm really excited for the day that my Arthritis is not just dismissed as the aches and pains of old age (I'm only 39!), the day that my friends and family understand what it takes to get up and move every day and perhaps even more importantly that I can still be seen as an effective contributor despite my illness.

For me, this campaign is all about helping other people know better what life looks like for me, so they can understand me better, and perhaps I won't need my brave face quite as often. I'm thrilled and beyond grateful for the support shown by my Ladies Circle Family, and the wider support of the 5 clubs to help share my story and encourage you all to have a look at the campaign at www.versusarthritis.org or by searching for the hashtag #ThePainfulTruth.



Ladies Circler prepared to tell her story.
First heard on Face Book.

Jenni Wierchowicz, Ladies Circler



Celebrating the past, shaping the future

Plans were being made, diaries being filled in... and then along came COVID to spoil the party.... but in reality we didn't let it. We in Lichfield Ladies Tangles are made of stronger stuff.

We may not have had our usual collaboration events with Debenhams [for the past few years our main source of fundraising] but that didn't mean we couldn't manage some fundraising /community support and shout about it at the same time.



Chairman Sharon gave us all a smartie tube to fill with 20p pieces (after we'd eaten the smarties!!) We turned a few of our meetings into fundraising opportunities - and two race nights and a murder mystery night raised funds for The Pathway Project and Macmillan.

Two of our members lost a relative during the year and we decided that instead of sending them flowers, we would make a donation to their chosen Charities and Alzheimer's were the beneficiaries of that.

A few of us dusted off our sewing machines and helped Ladies Circle produce NHS scrubs bags.

One of our members is a volunteer for the Charity, SHOUT and witnessed a big increase in people con-tacting them for help and support.

Another member helped our delivering food parcels.

Two members joined in the '500 miles and 500 More' walk being organised by 41 Club in aid of Dementia UK. -AND one of those was also volunteering for Guide Dogs by raising a puppy.

There was no possibility of Santa visiting all the children this year- but he was in Lichfield ...twice and we helped out both times. Early in the year he was out on his sleigh [dressed in shorts !!!] collecting for the food bank and then we helped deliver leaflets to ensure everyone knew that he would be driving around the streets in December and encouraged online donations.



As well as that fundraising and community support, we never missed a Tangles meeting (even though most were virtual). We made Christmas wreaths, had a zoom cookery lesson as well as the usual quizzes etc. Then when we were allowed - we had group-of-six picnics in our gardens and managed to meet for walks.

Chairman Sharon also started off a weekly challenge for us all. This was on What's App...and varied from the best way to cover our roots [while hairdressers were closed in the first lockdown], with everything from pan lids to pants - to photos of nature, taken whilst taking our daily exercise. We had to find ways to re-cycle our toilet roll inners !

Lichfield
Ladies
Tangles

Would like to invite you to...save the date

**Tangent Midlands
Regional Lunch**

19th February 2022

The National Memorial Arboretum, Staffordshire

Tell us about it

We 'd love to know what membership means to you.Your feed back is invaluable in helping us deliver more about what you love. Drop us a line and send us your picture at editor@tangent-clubs.org

'Tangent' provides the opportunity for women everywhere to be part of an organisation which is built on its roots of 'continued friendship' & service. We empower women through friendship.

The National Association of Tangent Clubs is one of the largest women's organisations in the UK, with around 500 clubs and 10,000 members. Tangent members usually meet once a month, though this varies from club to club. Tangent offers a varied programme of events and activities which are unique to each individual club, but all include a mixture of fellowship, friendship, fun and fundraising. As part of the Round Table family our membership is made up of past members of Ladies Circle and those who were looking to be part of an organisation such as ours.



CONGRATULATIONS

Rayleigh & District Tangent 135 AGM Handover.



Heather planning the future, promoting Tangent Clubs **Heather is Vice-President 2021**

Liat President 2021—2022 TCI In Israel Joining Hands, Joining hearts



Amersham Tangent 68 Zoom AGM meeting



41 Club and Tangent cruise announced for 2022

With the uncertainty surrounding cruises this year and time not on our side with the August embarkation date looming, after much deliberation and following discussions with the Fred Olsen team I had no alternative but to cancel this years 41 Club and Tangent group cruise to Iceland.

However, not wanting to disappoint those who were looking forward to exploring the

natural wonders of Iceland it was a relatively easy choice to opt for a similar cruise next year and we have chosen the 11night cruise exploring Iceland departing on 1st August 2022 from Southampton on Fred Olsen's flagship the Bolette.

We have secured an exclusive group price for 41 club and tangent members and further details of the cruise can be found in the

accompanying flyer. Should anyone have any specific queries on the cruise please do not hesitate to contact me @ fellowship@41club.org

Steve James National Fellowship Officer



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The wonders and wildlife of a land bursting with natural treasures awaits on this Icelandic adventure. A visit to Reykjavik provides a chance to discover the fabled Golden Circle and witness the beauty of the Gullfoss 'Golden Waterfall' and the sheer natural power of gushing Geyser hot springs. Enjoy time ashore amongst the volcanic landscapes of the remote Heimaey Islands too; and revel in the scenery of the Westfjords, best experienced on a kayaking tour from Ísafjörður.

Exploration of the rugged north coast is for encounters with native fauna; look out for sea birds nesting on the cliffs and peaks of Eyjafjörður's mountainous islands and, from Akureyri, go in search of humpback and minke whales, dolphins and porpoises by boat – an unforgettable experience. You could also head to the dramatic Godafoss, to see and hear the crashing white waters of the 'Waterfall of the Gods', or perhaps Lake Mývatn, where large colonies of birds live and thrive in a haven of tranquillity.



41 Club & Tangent Group Fares per person, from

Interior	£1,709
Ocean View	£1,979
Terrace Cabin	£3,059
Suite	£3,869
Single	£2,699



Date	Destination
Mon 01 Aug	Southampton, England
Tue 02 Aug	Day at Sea
Wed 03 Aug	Belfast, Northern Ireland
Thur 04 Aug	Day at Sea
Fri 05 Aug	Heimaey, Vestmannaeyjar, Iceland
Sat Aug 06	Reykjavik, Iceland
Sun Aug 07	Ísafjörður, Iceland
Sun Aug 07	Crossing the Icelandic Arctic Circle
Mon Aug 08	Akureyri, Iceland
Mon Aug 08	Cruising Eyjafjörður, Iceland
Mon Aug 08	Cruising by Hrísey, Iceland
Tue Aug 09	Day at Sea
Wed Aug 10	Kirkwall, Orkney Islands, Scotland
Thu Aug 11	Day at Sea
Fri Aug 12	Southampton, England

For more information or to book please call Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines Friendly Reservations Team on 01473 742 424 quoting 'GRP0210' and cruise code 'T2217'

Fares are per person, based on twin occupancy of the lead-in twin cabin, subject to availability. Offers may be amended or withdrawn at any time without prior notice, are subject to availability & cannot be applied retrospectively. All bookings are subject to Fred. Olsen's standard terms & conditions, available on our website & on request. Some ports may be at anchor, intermediate days are at sea. FOCL reserve the right to amend itineraries for operational reasons. *The free group drinks party on board includes house wines, sherry, soft drinks & cold canapés, subject to minimum numbers. To be hosted by the group leader. ^£75pp On-board spend is only applicable to guests 1 and 2 within a cabin and is non transferrable and no refunds will be given for non-use of part or all, of the credit amount shown. Not combinable with any other deal, including Affinity members discount. E&OE. Travel with confidence

more dates for your diary



Your Tangent Executive hope that you are staying safe during these challenging times with Covid-19.

We appreciate that the Covid 19 rules can appear complicated, and that they differ across the British Isles but we encourage all Clubs to check the relevant guidance on who, how and where people can get together. If you are unsure, here is a link to the guidelines for England where you will also be able to find links to Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland <https://www.gov.uk/government/>

The National Association of Tangent Clubs' 50th Anniversary Lunch celebrating

Fifty Glorious Years of Fun and Friendship

Saturday 18th September 2021

National Conference Centre, Coventry Road, Bickenhill, Solihull, West Midlands, B92 0EJ

Welcome drink reception from 11:00
Seating at 12:30
Ticket price £55

Steve Pateman will be sharing highlights of his story from the factory floor, to BBC programme "The Kinky Boot Factory", to the film and musical "Kinky Boots"!

tangent50th@gmail.com www.facebook.com/Tangent50th



Northern Regional Lunch Durham - 9th October 2021

It's hard to believe that after a number of years of planning and date changes that we are only 5 months away from the 2021 Northern Regional Lunch! We have been meeting regularly, via Zoom, to keep chipping away at our to-do list and are delighted to see over 60 ladies already booked into the luncheon. We caught up with our speaker, David Harper - BBC TV / Radio Broadcaster, who gave us this message to pass onto our ladies

As well as being known through his TV presence, David is also an accomplished speaker, but don't just take our word for it!

So please email us at 2021durhamnrl@gmail.com for more details about booking or like our Facebook page @2021durhamnrl where there is a wealth of information.

Yours in continued friendship,
Hartlepool Tangent Lunch Committee

**Antiques and Antics ...
Destination Durham**

POST CARD

Hi there!

On our travels around Durham Ceremonial County. Found a great venue for the Northern Regional Lunch on Saturday 9th October 2021! It's the Radisson Blu Hotel, Frankland Lane, Durham, DH1 5TA. See you for drinks from 11:00 and then lunch at 12:30. You'll never guess who's coming to speak - David Harper, BBC TV Antiques Expert!

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Hartlepool Tangent

P.S. remember to send in your booking form and payment (£38 per person).

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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.

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