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# Welcome

## Welcome to the 101st edition of our magazine.

We are thrilled to introduce our new  
Executive team and to be able to launch  
this year's National Charity 'Breast  
Cancer Now'.

This edition will reflect on the vibrant  
energy of the Tangent National  
Conference 2024 held in Liverpool,  
where 270 incredible ladies gathered

for the AGM. We also celebrate the  
achievements of our Clubs, the AGM  
winners and the progress we make as an  
Association.

A heartfelt thank you to all contributors  
for their engaging articles in this edition,  
showcasing the remarkable work of our  
Clubs. We would not be able to produce  
our magazine without your input.

Here's to another edition filled  
with inspiration, community, and  
empowerment.

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## 2024 South East Regional Lunch

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# 'Adapting Our Recipe'

Welcome to the new Tangent year, 2024-25, and my theme, 'Adapting Our Recipe'.

As we gather around the kitchen table, our Association is not just mixing ingredients but crafting an unforgettable feast of friendship, support, and evolution. The National Conference weekend in Liverpool was a remarkable start, where I had the immense honour of becoming your National President. Your unwavering faith and supportive messages have fuelled my passion to lead us into a year of Adapting.

Imagine our Association as the M&S of clubs: "This is not just any Association... This is the National Association of Tangent Clubs."

## From BeRo to Modern Day: The Art of Adaptation

Remember the BeRo cookbook, with those handwritten notes and splattered pages. That nostalgia teaches us the essence of adaptation – revamping the old to create something new. If we can transition from imperial to metric, there's no limit to what we can achieve as an Association!

Adapting isn't just about changing measurements; it's about evolving as members. Ensure your Club info is updated on the members' website and encourage new memberships. Fresh faces bring fresh ideas; some might be eager to take on those crucial roles within our Clubs.

President -  
Emma-Jane Wright  
2024 - 2025



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## Stirring Up New Friendships

As we embark on this culinary adventure of Adaptation, let's embrace the surprises, happy accidents, and delightful twists of recruiting new members. Put on your pink aprons, turn up the music, and dance around our kitchen of friendship. Our programmes should cater to all tastes – from the adventurous to the comforting.

## Adapting our Clubs

All our members should consider the future of the National Association of Tangent Clubs. Does your Club have a future? Your National Marketing and Membership Officer, Liz Clingo, and All your National Executive will help you ensure it does. If you are unsure of how to recruit new members, ask. We have lots of ideas and ways to share with you.

## Why So Much Pink?

Pink isn't just my favourite colour; it's the colour of Breast Cancer Now, the largest breast cancer charity in the UK, which holds a deeply personal significance for me. Sadly, breast cancer affects countless lives. Every ten minutes, someone in the UK hears those life-changing words: "You have breast cancer." This year, Breast Cancer Now emphasises the importance of support. From friends and family to medical teams and the charity's own services, support is crucial. When I was diagnosed, the unwavering support from Breast Cancer Now was invaluable. Fundraising and support make this possible, and I urge all of you to contribute.

## Getting Involved

Here's how you and your Clubs can participate and support:  
**Joint Raffle:** I'm hosting a joint raffle with the new 41 Club National President, Wynn Parry. Fabulous prizes are up for grabs, and the raffle will be drawn at my Charity Ball at Coombe Abbey on February 15th, 2025. Tickets are £5 each.

**Great North Run:** Mark, the husband of our new National Vice President Josie, is running the Great North Run on September 8th, raising crucial funds for Breast Cancer Now. Josie joked that he'd need to run a marathon for her year!

**Fundraising Events:** Clubs can host fundraising events anytime. August is Afternoon Tea Month, and October is Think Pink Month, but you can hold an event at any time. Visit the Breast Cancer Now website to order a fundraising pack and explore ways to get involved.

## Raising Awareness

Throughout the year, I'll be talking about breast cancer a lot. Help me raise awareness and funds while having fun. Remember to show yourself some TLC: Touch, Look, Check—and that goes for the men in your lives, too. Also, remember that if you are over 50, you should get an invite for your Mammogram every 3 years. If you are over 70, they will stop inviting you for a Mammogram, but you are still entitled to one—it's just up to you to contact them!

**"Together, let's adapt our recipe for success, blend in compassion and serve up a year filled with friendship, laughter, and support."**

Here's to an incredible year ahead with the National Association of Tangent Clubs.

YICF

Emma<sup>x</sup>



Vice President -  
Josie Blackburn  
2024 - 2025

I am starting my first message to you all echoing the words of those who have gone before...



I am both excited and honoured to have the privilege of being National Vice President this year. I thank everyone for your support before the AGM and messages of congratulations since then. It has been a little overwhelming to be honest, but I am looking forward to working with the National Exec team this year and particularly supporting Emma in her year as President.

As your Vice President I have several responsibilities including working alongside all our Regional Lunch organisers for the coming year. I have begun to liaise with the teams and am excited to hear about their plans for the lunches. Each lunch is unique but always special, providing memories for us all to treasure. Make sure you keep an eye out for updated flyers, information and booking forms throughout the year and book early to avoid disappointment! Of course, we are always on the look for a Club (or Clubs) to host a lunch, if that sounds like something you can do, please get in touch.

I am also responsible for ordering the Marcasite brooches for past or present Tangent Chairmen and the Marcasite jewellery available to all, including earrings, necklace, charms, and the crystal pins and Association badges. We now carry a stock of these to the Regional lunches and other events and some National Exec members hold a stock also. Payment can now be made via card at events. Order forms are available on the website or at events and can be sent to me with a BACS payment being made.

Finally, it has been very rewarding over the last year to see how many Clubs have taken on the baton to raise the profile of Tangent in their local community. I seem to be following a new Tangent Facebook page daily at the moment. My diary is now live on the website and if any Club would like me to visit to support with a new Members evening or to join you for a Club night, I would be happy to do so. Don't forget to let me know if you have a special anniversary next year also.

I look forward to meeting lots of you over the next year; having fun, making memories, and of course enjoying the special friendships we have in Tangent.

YICF Josie





# Amazing support and friendship...



**Immediate Past President -  
Shirley Chard  
2024 - 2025**

**As my year as President has come to an end, I extend my thanks to all Clubs that have supported me and my charity, Myeloma UK.**

It has been amazing to see the support and feel the friendship. We truly have a great Association with fantastic people and I have met many of you during the year. It was especially good to meet up with other Clubs when visiting you. It is great that you meet up with other local Clubs to enjoy events together and not just at National events.

January started with Bath Tangle's 10th Charter on the where I was made very welcome by Bath Tangle, Bath Tangent and Norton Radstock Tangent Club. We held a National zoom coffee evening, where Exec members shared some of their takes on coffee, which did involve some alcohol too! A visit to our AGM venue in Liverpool finalise the plans and meet with the audio-visual team this was then followed by the Exec's AGM Planning weekend in Birmingham. I then visited Esher Tangent for a speaker

meeting, where I learnt a lot about school time during the war. In February I attended the Oldswinford's Tangent fundraising Fashion Show, then on to Lichfield Ladies Tangles Tangent for their fundraising. I attended Newbury's home dinner meeting and again had a lovely warm welcome and I was asked many questions, which were lovely to hear as it showed their interest in what happens nationally. I then attended Derby Tangent's for their 63rd Birthday lunch which was attended by other local Tangent Clubs. Next was a visit to Chelmsford County, where there are two Circles and two Tangents all from area taking part in their annual challenge which this year was hand bell ringing. It was lovely to take part. Next came our joint 41 Club and National Exec Meeting. We also had a chance to meet with our IT Support team. To end this week was my Presidential Charity Ball held at Wokefield Park where we raised over £6,200 for Myeloma UK.



I then returned to Derby for Derby Merlin's Tangent Charter Celebration again with the other local clubs in attendance.

It was lovely to stay with one of our past Reading Valley Members, Anne Madge. Thanks to Anne for her hospitality.

I had the opportunity to visit Keynsham Tangent for their Open

Evening, where they had ten other Clubs in attendance with the Knitting Lady as a Speaker. Thanks to Liz and Richard Evans for hosting me. Later in the month I was fortunate enough to attend the Bournemouth 1 Tangent for their 74th birthday lunch. We would like to thank Graham Durie for lending us his car due to the issues we had with a puncture in the car that we were intending to travel in. After Bournemouth I travelled down to Truro and I would like to mention that my home host went above and beyond as I arrived after midnight due to a delayed train. The following day was a superb 50th charter lunch and we had a lovely time despite the rain.

The Midlands Regional Lunch was 'Really not a Drag' which was hosted by Nuneaton Tangent and was a well-attended event and we enjoyed an amazing day. We were joined by Chris Bush, The Round Table President. After the Exec meeting, I joined the Shrewsbury Tangent Club for their enjoyable lunchtime meeting on the 26th of February. My last visit in February was to the London Gin Distillery with City of London Tangent and I was even invited to join their Club.



March invites came through thick and fast. I attended the Shirley Late Knights Ladies Night with an amusing skit during the evening and were home hosted. Following this was the 26th Charter Lunch for Woodhall Spa Tangent which was a lovely welcoming lunch.

I then travelled to Reigate and Redhill for their evening meeting followed by Hinckley's Open evening, Bracknell's lunch and then I joined my Exec and we attended a lunch with two members of Agora in London before hot footing it to Portsmouth for The Round Table President, Chris Bush's Ball that night.

We attended a mixed meeting in Fareham and collected a cheque for my Charity. It was then off to Chepstow for their enjoyable 40th Charter Lunch at St Pierre Golf Resort. Followed by Basingstoke Tangent Club 50th Charter Afternoon Tea with a twist, samosas were served instead of sandwiches amongst other things. Mumbles Tangent Club fundraising evening was a fantastic evening where I was home hosted superbly again by the Wookey family. Next was Maidstone Tangent Club for their Club lunch. It was lovely to join Wessex Link Tangent Club for their 25th

Charter Lunch where there was a lovely steel band that we danced to.

At the end of March Dave and I flew to America to visit our family for Easter, and it was a chance to meet with Detroit Tangent.

During my year we completed the work to ensure that the Association was incorporated. This ensures that we have limited the Associations liability by the Executive become the Limited Company by guarantee, offering all our members protection in the event of us becoming liable at any point. My thanks go to Emma-Jane (National Vice President), Carol (National Secretary) and Jocelyn (National Treasurer) for forming a working committee to get this done prior to our AGM.

The AGM had an excellent a most excellent turnout meaning that the hotel had to secure more than fifty chairs to ensure we had seating for those in attendance. I wish Emma and the rest of the Exec well with running the Association over the next year and I will do my utmost to assist.

To close my year I was able to attend the Round Table and Ladies Circle Conference to bring greetings from NATC to the AGMs of Lara Lachello President of Ladies Circle and Chris Bush of Round Table who I served with through my year. It was great to see the Round Table trying new ideas for holding conference. I enjoyed joining in with the fun including the fancy dress as a pirate. I however had to draw the line at the zip line on the pier however I was happy to be a spectator.

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has hosted, the members that have taken part during the year, for all the feedback received and those members who have supported the Association during the year, in the support for my Charity Myeloma.

**YICF** Shirley 





# The power of true friendship

Secretary - Carol Hamilton-King 2024 - 2025

I now have one year as your National Secretary under my belt – and I am looking forward to whatever the next year brings!

It has been very rewarding being in touch with so many individual members over the past year – on the phone, by email – the occasional letter – and in person. I never know what the next contact will bring!

Last year was exceptionally busy not only with the National Secretary work, but being part of the team that has delivered incorporated company status to NATC along with the benefits of limited liability that company status infers. I was also PLC Treasurer for last year's

President Shirley Chard – and Treasurer for my local Club of Market Drayton! Homelife has been hectic as well – we have sold our house in Shropshire and after living on our fabulous narrowboat for six months we are soon off to pastures new in Devon! Preparing for our National AGM in such a tight space was "interesting" to say the least!!

I am really looking forward to making new Tangent friends in Devon – and re-connecting with some familiar faces from the past! We are truly blessed to belong to such a powerful friendship organisation where I know I will have friends I have not yet met ready and waiting! I just hope our very lively cockapoo Ginny settles into our new home quickly – what a shame there isn't a canine Tangent!!



At this year's AGM I placed feedback forms on all tables – if you didn't get the chance to fill one in and would like to let me know what you liked, or weren't so keen on, about the meeting please just send me an email! I am in the process of collating the comments and will then review them with the rest of the executive before sharing the results with our Members.

Don't forget to contact me directly with any ideas you may have for ways we can improve – always open to suggestions!

YICF Carol 

## Treasurers Report

Treasurer - Linda Price 2024 - 2025

Let me introduce myself...

Two years ago, Jocelyn Miles said "you get so much back if you take the plunge and jump in" - so I took the plunge at the AGM in Liverpool and stood as National Treasurer from the floor.

The meeting was very well attended, it was a nerve-wrecking experience, including not knowing if anyone else would also be standing from the floor.

My known question, which I had up to three minutes to address, was to briefly outline the skills and experiences I feel I have to make me the best fit for this

role, which I did to all those members in attendance, and I must have said something right, as I was voted to hold the position. I am honoured to be here today. Thank you to those people who took the time to speak with me afterwards and comment about my "speech", this was very much appreciated.

I enjoyed Conference in the company of friends; the venue for Friday and Saturday evening events of St George's Hall was an amazing building; the food, service and entertainment were good too. I ensured I was "bright eyed and bushy tailed" for the initial National Executive meeting held on Sunday morning where a lot of information was shared, and I left with a new laptop to use in order to carry out the business of the Association. I then went away with friends on a previously booked holiday, returning home to Cornwall on the 1st of May.

My handover meeting was on the 8th of May and our Executive briefing meeting was over the weekend of 17th and 18th of May. I have taken lots of notes and hopefully I shall shortly be able to move forward, with IT support as necessary. Please bear with me as Jocelyn hands over the reins and I learn the ropes.

Many of you will also be new Treasurers in your Tangent Clubs so we can hopefully learn together. Please ensure your capitation returns are completed and capitations paid by 30th June 2024. I hope to meet many of you at the future Regional lunches.

YICF Linda 



Editor and Website Coordinator - Ruth Curry 2024 - 2025



# Keeping up to date

I'm now into my second year of Editor and Website Coordinator I am feeling a lot more confident about the role and feel that I am making a difference for our members.

## Update on the website

I have had a lot of enquiries both through the website and telephone calls regarding how to update the members details online and how to register as a member. If anyone is still struggling, please feel free to reach out to me on editor@tangent-clubs.org and I will be more than happy to either talk you through the process or send you a step by step guide. You can however find all this information on the website under the 'Resources' tab and then under 'Capitation and Directory'. However, I appreciate that it doesn't always go to plan and is not in some cases as easy as it sounds. We are here to help you navigate the online aspect of the website. Do remember that you do have to be a registered and validated member holding a post in your club to make any changes.

I have also had a couple of messages to let me know of instances on the webpage where information is either out of date or incorrect. Thank you so much as it is hard to capture everything at the change of a year and get all details updated. Things do get missed out, so all your feedback is gratefully received as it allows us to fix everything and make the site as up to date as possible.

Don't forget to have a look at the Affinity deals which you can find on the website under Charity and Partners and then Affinity deals and partners. You could be making some great savings through the year. Keep checking back as we are updating new deals as and when they come through.

Update on the Editor aspect of the role.

We have had some great articles come through this time round and I do thank you for these as it is difficult to pull together a magazine with no content. It is a great way for other clubs to see what has been going on and a chance to get some great ideas for things that they could be doing or including in their programmes so do keep the articles coming.

The 100th edition distribution was not what we had expected and did not go to plan. Unfortunately, a few Clubs either have not had their magazines yet, some Clubs have received too many magazines or magazines for different Clubs.

A full investigation has been carried out and the printers have identified that the issue was because of a failed merge of data. They have sincerely apologised for the mess that this has created and assure us that this will not happen in the future.

With that said if there are any club still waiting for their magazine please let me know and I can arrange to get your

back copies of the 100th edition and for those clubs that received too many copies or copies for other clubs my challenge to you is rather than letting these issues go to waste please share these with your local community and use these as a membership tool as you just never know this could bring in new members who we are desperately trying to recruit to ensure that this amazing Association is here in the years to come.

Further as it always happens as much as we try to get things right there were a couple of typographical errors. Apologies to Mumbles where it was noted that they were about to celebrate their 50th Charter and this should have read their 30th Charter. Sadly, it didn't end there for Mumbles as it appears I put in the incorrect flyer for their luncheon into the last magazine without the cost of the lunch included. This has however been updated on the website. The last error I have found was that Looe Tangent has an 'e' on the end of their name which was missed off in the main title, I do apologise for renaming you.

The deadline for the submission of articles for the next magazine will be the 11th of September 2024. If you want to contribute to the next issue, please could you send this via email to editor@tangent-clubs.org.

YICF

Ruth





# Make Tangent the very best it can be...

**Executive Administrator Heather Taylor-Felton 2024 - 2025**

As many of you will now already know, I'm quite new to Tangent as well as being completely new to the 2024-2026 National Executive.

The situation is extremely exciting for me, I still feel incredibly humbled to all of you lovely ladies who have supported me to get me where I am now! Thanks also go to the votes from the Voting Delegates at our AGM last month, in Liverpool.

Liverpool Conference was a fantastic event. The venue and food were absolutely exceptional. **Where else can you be in an AGM one minute, then dressed as a Cavewoman in the next?** It was great fun and I formed new friendships.

I've just returned from our National Executive Training weekend only a few days ago and I'm still digesting all the exciting ideas and discussions which took place. I really look forward to getting stuck in with the rest of the Executive over the next two years to help evolve Tangent and make Tangent the very best it can be.

The next Regional Lunch, which will be my first on the Executive, coincidentally is only 6 miles away from where I live in Preston. How convenient. This is, of course, the Northern Lunch at Shaw Hill Hotel and Spa on 22nd June 2024. I look forward to meeting even more members at this lunch and to re-engage with all the members I've already met so far. The lunch promises to be a fabulous event.



Over the next few months, I'm looking to 'hit the ground running' (so to speak) looking to develop further some of the administrative duties, I'm sure when I write again in a few months' time I'll have more to say.

So, thanks again for your amazing welcome and support and see you soon.

YICF *Heather*



# Hello ladies, wow I'm excited

**Marketing and Membership Liz Clingo 2024 - 2025**

As this is my first write up in the magazine it's a very special one for me!

As this is my first write up in the magazine it's a very special one for me! As I take over from the lovely Josie as your Marketing and Membership Officer, who has done a fantastic job putting her

heart and soul into the role. I promise that I will try and carry on the wonderful work she has done over the last two years.

I will be out there visiting clubs trying to make our name well recognised and remembered by people! I will carry on brandishing our logo everywhere.



I'm so excited about the next two years, I'm here to help you so please contact me. I can't wait to meet you and work with you to get your club out there.

YICF *Liz*



# Round Table Family News



It's an absolute pleasure to be bringing you greetings as the new National President of Ladies Circle.

Now, for those who haven't had the pleasure of meeting me yet, I'm Becky, enthusiastic member of Winchester Ladies Circle. Originally hailing from the sunny shores of Weston-super-Mare, I found my way into this awesome circle of friends when I relocated to a new area and joined Circle. Let me tell you, before I found Ladies Circle, I was like a caterpillar in a world full of social butterflies—confidence as rare as a unicorn sighting in a supermarket, and my social circle smaller than a phone booth (remember those relics?).



And speaking of transforming, let's talk charity – transforming the lives of others! This year, nationally, we are supporting Lupus UK, a cause near and dear to my heart since my sister's diagnosis last year. Lupus UK is the only national charity in the UK dedicated to supporting people affected by Lupus, a chronic autoimmune disease.

But thanks to Ladies Circle, I've undergone a metamorphosis that even caterpillars would envy! From a shy wallflower to a confident social butterfly, it's been quite the journey. And I'm not alone—Ladies Circle has been making a difference left and right, just like Round Table does for its members. From boosting careers to giving back to communities, we all love to **#TransformTogether**

Now, mark your calendars for my Presidential Ball on 28th September 2024, at The Science Centre in Winchester. It's going to be out of this world—literally! Picture yourself sipping drinks under the stars, enjoying a mind-blowing planetarium show, and indulging in a delicious dinner. It'll be a night to remember, and all for a great cause.

And let's not forget about our Round Table family! I'm super excited to work with Emma, Jo, Steve and Wynn to make magic happen this year. And speaking of magic, stay tuned for our adventure in Wales where we'll tackle the Velocity Zipwire—brace yourselves for some serious adrenaline!

YICF *Becky Baker*  
**National President Ladies Circle GB&I 2024-25**  
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**Wynn Parry...**

Hello Ladies, I am very pleased to be able to introduce myself as 41 Club's National President and pass on my congratulations to Emma, on becoming National President of Tangent.

I'm sure you're all going to have a fantastic year, even though I feel sorry for her as she will have to put up with me as the 41 Club National President.

I do know we're going to will work well together and become lifelong friends from our shared experience. We will work on our recipes for growth,



engagement and teamwork. Your Opinions Count, we are both ready to listen and discuss all of your ideas for the enhancement of both of our Associations. Every member, whoever you are, should feel able to speak out. We aim to guide our respective Associations forward with your help.

Emma & I have had several meetings with our counterparts in the Round Table family, we are continually sharing ideas, particularly over membership initiatives. We will be hosting the "Christmas Day with the President's zoom meeting", so those members on their own on Christmas day will have some company for a while or anyone else who just wants to join us to share a chat and a drink. I would like to share the names of My

Charities for this year, they are the Motor Neurone Disease Association and the My name's 5 Doddie Foundation. We are running a joint Raffle this year where proceeds will be split between both National President's Charities. It will be a great pleasure to join Emma at her Charity Lunch and support her world record attempt on the following day. I hope to see many of you there.

Here's to a successful year of fun and fellowship between all members of the Round Table Family working alongside Becky Baker and Steve Eccles our respective counterparts in Ladies Circle and Round Table.

YICF *Wynn Parry*  
**National President 41 Club 2024-2025**  
[president@41club.org](mailto:president@41club.org)







# National President embarks on Modelling Career, move over Kate Moss...

In July 2023, I applied along with over 400 men and women who were all living beyond a Breast Cancer diagnosis or with secondary breast cancer to be part of The Show for Breast Cancer Now in London 2024

Never did I think a 5'3, slightly rotund woman in her mid-fifties would be chosen to be one of 24 models! The road to becoming a model was full of fun and new friendships. We were taught to Walk like a model, photographed and filmed for headshots and movement films, interviewed and wrote biographies of our Breast Cancer stories, and all of this led us to the day of our modelling debut.

April 25th 2024, yes 5 days after becoming your new national President, what a way to start my year.

What can I say? The best models and now new friends I could have ever asked to share this experience with were brought together by the worst thing, yet there we all were on the catwalk strutting our stuff without a care in the world like it was just another day on the Catwalk in the Modelling world.

I'm still on cloud 9. I'm so glad I was given the opportunity to do it, so glad I pushed myself out of my comfort zone. I've met 23 amazing people, each with their own story to tell. I fangirled over celebrities, Loose Women Brenda Edwards and Vanessa Feltz, Denise Lewis, Got made to wear my Presidential Gong for a picture with Lisa Snowdon, who wanted to know all about Tangent

whilst we sat in Makeup and hair next to each other just chatting like girlfriends do. We were styled by the amazing Rebekah Roy, choreographed on the Runway by the top in the industry, sponsored and gifted by so many amazing companies and met so many people connected in different ways with Breast Cancer Now. You can watch the whole show on the Breast Cancer Now website; just click the link.

If you are someone or a Member of Tangent who is living beyond a Breast Cancer diagnosis, I encourage you to apply; age is not a barrier. The models were both Men and Women aged between 21 and 80. Applications open in July, and all the details can be found on the Breast Cancer Now website. It's an opportunity not to be missed to not only recognise you but also raise awareness of Breast Cancer Now.



# BREAST CANCER NOW

The research & support charity



Anna Hadjivassiliou  
Community Fundraiser

Breast Cancer Now

Thank you so much for having me at your AGM in April and making me feel so welcome!

It was so lovely to hear more about Tangent and meet you all, not to mention to see some of the amazing fancy dress costumes at the evening event. It was a great introduction to all things Tangent Club! I hope you all managed to catch Emma strutting her stuff as a model at The Show as well (the sequin dress was my favourite). What an amazing way to kick off her presidency!

It was evident at the AGM how passionate you all are in supporting and raising awareness of the causes that mean the most for you through your previous fundraising for Myeloma UK and we're so grateful that Emma has chosen Breast Cancer Now as her chosen charity.

It was so moving to hear about Emma's own experience of breast cancer, and I know that breast cancer will have touched some of you and your loved ones too. Breast cancer is the most common cancer in the UK, with 1 in 7 women developing breast cancer in their lifetime. That's why we are here to provide support through our helpline, health information and support services.

"We are also currently funding 80 research projects worth £27 million, to improve detection and prevention and detection of breast cancer, and improve the lives of those affected by it."

This work is only possible thanks to people like you. Emma has told me about the afternoon teas, head shaves and runs you've already started organising – thank you so much! I look forward to hearing more about what you're getting up to and supporting you with this over the next year.

I'm really excited about Emma's plans for the year and feel privileged to be attending as many of her events as possible. I look forward to getting to know you all better over the next year, and seeing some of you at the



fundraising lunch and World Record attempt on 15th and 16th of June in Leicester!

If secondary breast cancer affects you or the ones you love, our research could help buy more time. Find out about our research at [breastcancernow.org/if](https://breastcancernow.org/if)





2024 Conference took place in Liverpool between the 18th April and the 21st April 2024. It was a chance to rekindle friendships and meet new friends within the Round Table Family. The theme for the conference was 'You will never drink alone'.



### Annual Golf Day

was held on the morning of Friday the 19th of April where our Immediate Past President (then President) Shirley Chard attended to tee off the event at Ormskirk Golf Club.



# Our Mersey journey...



### The Welcome Party

was held on Thursday the 18th of April 2024. We departed from The Pier Head landing stage to join the 'Ferry across the Mersey'. Sadly the weather was against us however this did not dampen the spirits of those on board and in true Round Table Family style we partied the evening away to the live entertainment with the lights of Liverpool in the distance of the shore line. On our return some of the attendees returned to their hotels and the others took advantage of joining in with the nightlife of Liverpool.



### The Gala Dinner Black Tie Event

took place on the evening of Friday the 19th of April 2024 at the iconic St George's Hall where we heard the speeches from all President's of the Round Table Family, had an exceptional meal, celebrated the achievements during the prize giving and danced the night away to the live music.





## Annual General Meeting

was held on Saturday the 20th April 2024 at the Marriott Hotel. We had an exceptional turnout. Thank you to

all those members who attended what was an excellent and engaging meeting and a fabulous lunch. We received an update of the National Executive's work through the year, recognised the Clubs and Members who have contributed so much through the year. We finally

welcomed the new National Executive on board and thanked those members of the National Executive who were standing down. All the details can be found in the Highlights of the AGM report below.

## Highlights from the 58th National AGM, Liverpool 20th April 2024

The full minutes from the National AGM will be sent in due course, in the meantime for those members who did not attend, here is a precis of the main business of the day.

- First AGM as National Secretary, quite different from being a delegate!
- Best attended AGM for some years – extra chairs had to be found from somewhere!!
- Most important item – we are now incorporated as a company limited by guarantee. The National Association of Tangent Clubs Ltd 15628481 – with the eight National Executive members as both directors & Company members.
- Elections:
  - Vice President: - Josie Blackburn  
Proposed: Leicester LAFF 933 Seconded: Nuneaton 510
  - Executive Administrator: - Heather Taylor-Felton Proposed: Preston South Ribble 701 Seconded: Dragons 945
  - Treasurer: - (stood from the floor) Linda Price Proposed: Liskeard & Looe Tangent 737 Seconded: Coastal Cluster 948
  - Marketing & Membership: - (stood from the floor) Liz Clingo, Proposed Derby Merlin 876 Seconded: Ripely 158
  - Financial resolutions:
    - Budget approval – carried
    - Presidents out of pocket expenses increase to £1900 – carried
- Capitation held at £11 – carried
- Independent Members capitation rise to £15 – carried
- National Exec recommendations:
  - Both withdrawn
- President Shirley Chard has raised to date £36,417 to date for Myeloma UK.
- Our new National President, Emma-Jane Wright, announced her charity will be Breast Cancer Now – and launched her logo (below) and her motto 'Adapting our Recipe'. Get ready for a fun filled and very pink year!



## Fancy Dress Night

was held during the evening of Saturday the 20th April 2024 at the St George's Hall. We had an incredible variety of costumes and we were blown away with what was on show that night. Our worthy winners were the 'Octopus Under the Sea' entry. Again, we had a chance to party the night away with an excellent band and disco until kicking out time at 1 am.



## Handover and Farewell Meeting

was held at the Holiday Inn. The outgoing Conference team were recognised for all their hard work in providing an exceptional conference and the baton was passed on to the Conference Committee for 2025 with Morag Daley taking on the position of National Chair and being the very first lady to have held this post. It was a very proud moment for Tangent.



# ‘Transform Tradition and Empower change’



Twelve months ago, I stood for election to be the next National President of RTBI, partly out of a love of Table and the impact it has had on my life, and partly out of frustration.

Frustration that we had seen a steady membership decline, and despite many boards trying to sugar coat it whilst working hard to find solutions, the simple fact was that Round Table was slowly dying with more people leaving / aging out than joining.

I'd heard National Presidents in the past talk about Round Table being as relevant today as ever, and I truly believe that it is. My concern is to those that haven't heard of Round Table – does it look relevant?

Unlike the 1970's when Round Table was at it's peak in terms of membership, my belief is that there are so many different things competing for where young men spend their time, and we need to put RTBI in the shop window.

When I was lucky enough to be selected by members, I made a

commitment to spend my Vice President's year engaging with members to understand view and formulate a plan to combat the declining membership.

I made a commitment to develop a longer term plan for modernising our culture without losing our character, to make sure we look relevant and attract the next generation of Tablers. At the start of the year, I adopted the tagline 'Transform Tradition and Empower change', and made the commitment to members to work hard in my VP year to:

- Reflect on how Tables are 'Adopting, adapting and improving' and review whether Tables are genuinely following the aims and objects that all members signed up to.
- Start direct conversations with members on how they see the future of RTBI, through a combination of; talking to members; social media engagement; and working with the National Council.



- Undertake a comprehensive membership survey to understand the current views of Tablers on the opportunities and challenges that we face in growing our membership. One in which over 1,100 members gave their views.
- Review the value of capitation, and explore how we can make the most of the resources that we have at our disposal, including subletting part of Marchesi House to bring in income.
- Explore changes to the brand and brand values to ensure that we are positioned as a modern organisation. These were overwhelmingly supported, and gives RTBI a fresh new look.
- Bring all of these findings together and deliver a 3-year rolling plan for RTBI, which is simple to follow and sets a clear, longer-term strategy for RTBI and future success, and ultimately ensure that we are on the route to make impactful change to RTBI in terms of culture and approach, and ultimately growth.

There was a risk that changing the culture within RTBI would be like changing the direction of an oil tanker, but I was fortunate that there have been a number of highly motivated Tablers that were already starting a project of membership growth, delivering a blueprint for membership growth that aligned almost perfectly with what I wanted to deliver. This included six membership workshops across the country, with all Tables that attended now on a path to growth.

What this means is that I think we have both delivered some excellent foundations for modernisation, and already hit the ground running in terms of membership growth, with RTBI growing in membership for the first time in a generation, and my hope is that we can carry this momentum into my year as President.



So, plans for next year, to work with the incoming board and deliver more of the same. To deliver on the 3-year plan, and to support Tables at grass roots level, directly engaging and enabling them to thrive. I also want to ensure that we focus on better communication at all levels, whilst not forgetting the importance of diversity and inclusion, to make sure that Tables offer a welcoming and inclusive culture to future member.

Alongside supporting our clubs, I hope to form a fantastic relationship across the Round Table family, to share ideas on how the other clubs are supporting members.

I wish all Tangent members a fantastic year ahead, and I have no doubt under Emma's leadership, and support of her board it will be a very successful year ahead.

National President  
RBTI 2025/2025



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MODERNISE OUR IMAGE	SUPPORT AND INVEST IN CLUBS	INCREASE INTER-TABLING & BONDS
Appropriate Inductions Promote Wellbeing Regalia Guidance Stricter Protection for Minorities	Chair and Vice Weekends Localised Area Workshops Personalised New Member Pack Sync Workshops with Nat Events	Area Chair and Reps Weekends Relocation Process for Lost Members
Dispel Myths Modern Marketing Campaign National Modern Marketing Materials Local Modernise Branding Modernise Wording for Traditions Sideline the Drinking Culture Social Media Guidance Review Board Roles (Inc Under 26 Role) Unified External Image	Annual Chairman Pack Check-in Calls from HQ - Chair and Vice Check in Calls from HQ - New Members Clarifying the "Model Table" Comprehensive Data Reporting Database of Best Events and Practices Lost Member and Clubs Data Collection Online Learning Vault	Funding of Area and Rep Teams Improved Comms Network Across RTBI Partnering System for Growing Clubs Rebuild Area Teams Redraw Area Boundaries Review Reps and Area Structure Revival of NSW and Attendance Wider Exposure of Local Events Improved Subs System for Areas
Empower Younger Members Review of Joining Age Review of Roles for Over 40's Review of the Honorary Rules Stronger Links with Ladies Circle	Annual Content Process for Roles Hands on Support from HQ Improving Tech Invest in New Member Attendance Membership Benefits Regular Webinars for Roles	Asset Sharing Funding All Clubs to AGM Table Swagging Matching Twinned RTI Clubs Numbers Weekend



# CLUB NEWS

## CITY OF LONDON TANGENT

The February meeting of COLT was to the award-winning Whitley Neill Distillery.

15 intrepid ladies and 1 brave gentleman visited the first and only gin distillery in the City of London where we enjoyed 1 (or 2) large gins, before a private tasting experience, followed by a tour of the actual distillery with two copper pot stills called Clarissa and Jennifer, named after 'The Two Fat Ladies' from the BBC Food Show plus a newer and larger still called Elizabeth, launched after the Queen's 90th birthday. A great outing enjoyed by our National President Shirley who inducted 4 new members.



YICF

City of London  
Tangent Club Members



**A year filled with friendship, charity and fun with 910 East and West Ham Tangent**

**It has been a great year, spent with wonderful friends who have supported each other**

This year our more unusual activities have ranged from axe throwing and pom-pom making through to yoga on the beach!

We volunteered at the Haven House Children's Hospice Sparkle Walk and collected for Marie Curie in local shops, dressed very appropriately in huge, yellow hats. We also had a stall on a jumble trail to support our chosen local homeless charity, who do such good work. We have

## Dereham Tangent Jane Bizley Update

**"Tangent starts and finishes with friendship. Join Tangent to try something new, join Tangent to make new friends, join Tangent to help and support your local community, join Tangent and experience a special friendship wherever you go."**

Well, my time on the National Exec has now come to an end but what a two years it has been. We started in January with our 3-day AGM planning weekend, held at a very chilly Marchesi House. Following the business side of things, we enjoyed a couple of lovely evenings out where we ate, drank, chatted and laughed. In March we enjoyed a very entertaining Midlands

Regional Lunch, hosted by Nuneaton Tangent – great food, brilliant entertainment and another chance to catch up with friends and make new ones. The Liverpool Conference team excelled themselves and we all had a fantastic time, with the Friday night black-tie ball and the Saturday night fancy dress party being held in the beautiful St. George's Hall. My time on the Exec may have ended but I shall carry some good memories with me from those times – thank you everyone for your support & friendship.

As well as National events, I can report that Dereham Tangent has been very busy, having recently held their AGM, which saw the handover of Chairman from Yvonne Wilson to Viv Bebbington. Viv's first task was to induct 3 new members – hurrah!

A full programme lies ahead, with our June meeting being a visit to a local vineyard, followed at the end of the month by our 35th anniversary afternoon tea, when we shall be joined by National President Emma!

I look forward to catching up with many of you at Emma's lunch in June, if not at other events later in the year.

Lastly, I wish Emma and her 2024-25 Exec a fantastic year and look forward to meeting up with you all throughout the year. Enjoy your Tangent meetings, ladies, and whatever else the coming Tangent year holds!

YICF *Jane*



enjoyed delicious food cooked by our own fair hands and eaten out plenty too.

Finally, at the end of our Tangent year, we attended the National Conference in Liverpool in all our finery. For the fancy dress party we dressed up as "Jennie and the Pacemakers" to fit in with the Mersey Beat theme. What a great finish to our year!

We are now looking forward to a whole new year of fabulous friendship!





## Uganda bound...

### Fishguard and District Tangent Club 865

Fishguard and District Tangent Club have been pleased to have been able to help with donations such as raincoats, glasses, sweatshirts, art materials etc all of which are unaffordable for the local communities in Uganda. These were kindly taken to a school in Uganda by one of the long standing Tangent member's relatives on behalf of the Tangent Club.

The project supports over 100 students and of interest one of the school's previous students now runs his own school educating 50 pupils at no cost.



In the photos can be seen some of the donated raincoats being worn by the very happy young girls.

This has been truly uplifting.

Yours in continued friendship

*Suzie Milne*

Fishguard and District Tangent Club



## Seven Virgins and a Drag Queen!

### Leicester LAFF Tangent are going from strength to strength in membership terms...

...and the Midlands Regional Lunch was the perfect chance to introduce our new members to the wider Tangent family.

17 members attended the lunch, 7 of whom were luncheon virgins. We had previously had an evening where we shared fascinators and handbags, so our new members at least had an idea of what a Regional Lunch is all about!

Having explained and demonstrated Heads and Tails, we all settled down to enjoy an afternoon of fun and friendship. Our 7 "virgins" took to it like ducks to water. With wine glasses filled, they joined in the fun and thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon's entertainment.

The icing on the cake for us all was the fab-u-lous drag queen, Diva Chanel.

We laughed so much, we joined in the singing and dancing, and we came away very envious of her legs!

Congratulations to the Nuneaton Tangent luncheon team for organising and delivering another successful Midlands' event. We are really looking forward to next year's lunch in Derby and, who knows, maybe we will have some more "virgins" to introduce to the joys of Tangent.



## Forfar is Forty!

Forfar and District Tangent is now officially 40 years old, and we acknowledged this at our last meeting with a celebratory cake on Saturday 11th May we had an Afternoon Tea...Thank you

**Lesley Walker - Secretary**  
Forfar and District Tangent No 644



## Gillingham & Shaftesbury Tangent No 339 AGM Update

At the AGM of Gillingham & Shaftesbury Tangent Club No 339, our Chairman, Maddy Girling was absolutely delighted to present a cheque to the value of £500.00 to our member Trudie Stanley, who is also a Trustee of the John Foyle's Charity. The Charity aims are the "Prevention or Relief of

Poverty; Makes Grants to Individuals or organisations and assists other charities and voluntary bodies within Shaftesbury and the Parish of Cann.

the next twelve months, within which we will be celebrating our 50th Charter in October.

YICF

*Barbara*

Barbara C Matthews - Hon Secretary  
Gillingham & Shaftesbury Tangent No 339

Our out-going Chairman, Maddy Girling, handed over the Chain of Office last night to Gill Vizor, who will steer us through



## Esther's Escapades

On the 4th of June, Esther Hussey, a member of Gillingham and Shaftesbury Tangent Club No 339, and at 81 years "young", completed a Wing Walk in aid of Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance.

The challenge was a birthday "bucket list" gift from her grandchildren and the second challenge she has completed after the 100mph Welsh Zipwire last year. We are beyond proud of her - a truly inspirational lady!

Following Esther's fantastic flight news of Esther's wonderful achievement has spread, like a pebble thrown into a pond, with interviews on various radio shows: Chris Evans, Radio Somerset, This Is Alfred and has had great support from her family and friends. Having initially hoped to raise about £200.00 for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, Esther advised that the fund has now reached an amazing sum of £1,500.00, and she is so very grateful for all the kind donations.

It seems Esther's arms were somewhat sore the week after, following the Wing Walk, having held then aloft against the wind, however she remains jubilant and we, in Gillingham and Shaftesbury Tangent could not be more proud, as she is one of our Founding Members.

What an absolute star she is!



### A basket of Buddies!

#### Londonderry Tangent 730

The members together with Chairman Joan and knitted a basket full of buddies for the Myeloma UK.





# Fun, friendship and frolics

Leeds Tangle, along with their mascot Merton have had a busy few months.

Planning meetings, a bottomless prosecco brunch and some winnings at Bingo!

National Conference. We had fun, friendship, frolics and finding Merton Tangle. It was great to catch up with old friends and make new ones. We did not win the fancy dress - but had great fun trying!

At our AGM we reminisced about another amazing year in Tangent. Carol handed over to Sue and we are ready for a brilliant year- including organising the Northern Regional Lunch in 2025!

We had a great time at the Liverpool National Association of Tangent Clubs and 41 Club



# Riding for the Disabled

RINGWOOD TANGENT DONATE £750 TO LOCAL RIDING FOR THE DISABLED

On 22 February Gill Russell, Chairman of Ringwood & District Tangent, presented a cheque for £750 to the Green Cottage Riding for the Disabled Association!! Due to the generosity of the many local food and drink businesses that donated to the raffle held during the Tangent South-West Regional Lunch 2023 organised by Ringwood, they have been able to donate an astounding £1500 to 2 charities. £1500 has been shared between Ringwood's local Riding for the Disabled and the National President's charity Myeloma UK. Green Cottage Riding for the Disabled provide riding lessons for children with a variety of special needs and disabilities such as cerebral palsy, downs syndrome, autism, ADHD, and many other complex learning and development disorders. Debbie Turner, RDA Group Coach, said that the cheque will do so much to help Green Cottage RDA meet their running costs, which amount to approximately £8,000 every year.

Anne Dyson - on behalf of the SW Regional Lunch 2023 Organising Team Ringwood & District Tangent Club No 570

## Newent Tangent 329, 50th Anniversary of Affiliation

On one of the warmest and finest days of 2024, Newent Tangent members gathered in the beautiful setting of the Corse Lawn House Hotel, Gloucester, to celebrate our 50th Anniversary meeting.

The 8th of May was our chosen date, close to our affiliation date in May 1974.

Our Tangent was started by Pamela Pine, with a simple home meeting of four friends.... Past Circlers and 41 Club wives. That meeting became the foundation of our Club, which, as you can see continues today. Based upon these continuing friendships, we still hold regular monthly meetings.

This day, though, was special to us, and Pam, who is now 90 years old, was able to join us. It was a lovely Celebration, a tribute to a lady who had begun the

path of continuing friendship, which has allowed us to cement relationships over the years, and enjoy a wide variety of activities together.

YICF Gillian Clayton



## Curling and Walking the Plank!



### NORTHAMPTON NENE 519

For our February meeting we visited our neighbouring Tangent, Wellingborough, where a game of curling was organised. Teams were formed and the fun began to see who could end up with their stones on the coloured circle. We were allowed to use a stick to help the stone on its way if it was difficult to bend too far down! After several goes each, our two members, Margaret and Ann, were victorious and won the prize of an Easter Egg. Refreshments were served which gave us chance for a catch-up chat with everyone. A good fun evening.

Our last meeting in May should have been a Treasure Hunt round the village where one of our members lives, but the weather decided otherwise. Instead, a lovely meal in our host Sue's house started the evening. After that it was 'indoor games'. A virtual reality equipment made an appearance, and everyone had a turn. The subject chosen "took us to the top of a tall skyscraper to walk the plank." (who chose that, I wonder). One member said, "surprisingly scary, and hilarious to watch others having a go." Some sat down and another said, "No way could I walk that plank".

Again, an evening with a difference and the usual good fun that we always have.

YICF Pat Kaye



## Saddleworth Tangent 60th Anniversary

Saddleworth Tangent held their 60th Anniversary lunch at the White Hart on the 13th March 2024 which included six guests together with our president is Julie Roebuck. The Tangent Club comprises of 20 ladies.

Over the past 20 years Eve has been the official photographer and has produced an album at the end of each Tangent year for the President.



YICF Saddleworth Tangent Club



## Mumbles Tangent Club 852 raises funds for the MNDA and the My Name's Doddie Foundation

Friday the 15th. March, saw the realisation of our major fundraising project for our 2023 - 2024 Tangent Year.

A Dinner Dance was held in aid of the MNDA South West Wales Branch and of the My Name's Doddie Foundation.

Our guest speakers, addressing us on behalf of the MNDA and of the My Name's Doddie Foundation, shared insights into the work being carried out by both organisations, sharing their experiences and support.

The Club raised £1,810 from the proceeds of the evening, along with income

## Potters Bar Tangent

Potters Bar Tangent Club held a cheque handover evening where the results of our fundraising efforts were handed to our Chairman's charity. In the picture you can see Chairman Carole Beament handing cheques totally £1274 each to Laura and Dominic representing Foodbanks in Potters Bar and Brookmans Park, who she asked us to support this year. Enjoyable fundraising events included a summer BBQ lunch at her home and a quiz night.



YICF Barbara Middleton



generated by our online auction, which was then divided equally between both charities. We were delighted that Swansea Tangent Club donated £500 and Mumbles 41 Club £250 to these organisations, in addition to the funds already raised.

This cause is very close to our hearts, and we, the members of Mumbles Tangent, are delighted that we could contribute to the much-needed funds for supporting local people with MND, their families, carers, and vital research for motor neurone disease.





## Newbury Tangent Club 50th Charter

Newbury Tangent held a Coffee Morning in March for President Shirley's Charity and raised £243.31 which was forwarded to the Just Giving Page. We celebrated our 50th year with a dinner at the Red House, Marsh Bentham near Newbury on 9th April this year inviting some past members to join us.

We trawled through our old records, photos and booklets and found the original affiliation certificate of 1973 but also found out that our club had in fact been in existence since 1965!



YICF - Chris Letham, Secretary



## Lunch at Harwicke Hall Manor Hotel

In Celebration of the Retirement of Jo Thompson, founder Member of Hartlepool Ladies Circle in 1951 and founder Chair of Hartlepool Tangent Club in 1971.

Jo retired from Tangent last year, but we felt that we couldn't let her go without marking the occasion in some way.

The leafy, rural countryside of Lincolnshire in which Jo grew up in the 1930s and 40s, was a far cry from London where she went to study at the Royal School of Needlework. It was there Jo met her lovely husband Trevor. They married and moved to Hartlepool. It is fair to say that Jo was not overly enamoured



with her new hometown and was heard to say at one point 'I'm not staying here!' 70 years on, we can only presume that in the interim, things perked up a bit.

Trevor joined the local Round Table and Jo, Ladies' Circle. When it came for the first Circlers to retire, they decided that they didn't want to form an official Tangent Club but simply keep on meeting as friends, aptly named Co Tangent. However, by

1971 there was a feeling that there should be an official Tangent Club. A meeting was held in Jo's sitting room and Hartlepool Tangent 236 was formed. 50 plus years on, thank you Jo!

YICF *Elizabeth Hogg*  
Hartlepool Tangent Member



## In Remembrance

### May 2024

*Carolyn Buyers* –  
Bedford Tangent Club 263  
*Mary Churchill* –  
Clacton Tangent Club 558  
*Irene Millar* –  
Forfar and District Tangent Club 644

### April 2024

*Wendy Smith* –  
Spalding and District Tangent 657

### March 2024

*Heather Bolt* –  
Marlow Tangent Club 205  
*Kate Holloway* –  
Ascot Tangent Club 487

### February 2024

*Maggie Feist* –  
Gosport Tangent Club 174

### November 2023

*Patricia (Pat) Morey* –  
Ringwood Tangent Club



## 41 Club & Tangent

# Aviemore

## National Conference 2025

24-27th April

Officer (TCLO) for next year's conference, Aviemore 2025. I am a member of Turriff & District Tangent Club.

My responsibility is the Tangent AGM and the practicalities/needs that this all entails. This involves everything from the room layout to the Tangent Lunch. All this has to relayed between the organising committee, the venue and the National Executive keeping everyone informed.

As part of this, I require volunteers to steward on the day – whether helping with Registration, gathering in votes, counting votes and a myriad of jobs. If you think you can help, you can contact me at [tangentagm@scotland2025.co.uk](mailto:tangentagm@scotland2025.co.uk)

We are happy to answer any questions just ask...our email is [conference@scotland2025.co.uk](mailto:conference@scotland2025.co.uk). I look forward to seeing you all in Aviemore from 24-27th April 2025.

## From the chair

Hi my name is Morag Daley and it gives me the greatest pleasure as Chairman of the organising committee to invite you to the 2025 National Conference

which will take place at the Macdonald Highland Resort between 24th to 27th April 2025.

You may remember that back in 2020 the invitation was to Aviemore 2021. Unfortunately, Covid struck and put paid to our plans then but we're back!

There have been many changes since our original remit – the most importance being

that Tangent members now have joint ownership of Conference along with 41 Club members.

I am proud to be the first Tangent member (and woman) to chair a conference committee. My role reflects the goodwill intentions of both of the Associations to work together. Equally this is reflected in our organising committee which is made up with members of each club.

## Liaison Officer...

Hello Ladies, My name is Morag Badenoch and I am your Tangent Conference Liaison



modern music just in case Stripping the Willow is not your thing!

### Friday 25th April 2025

The 41 Club National Council meeting takes place today. Also available for your entertainment are the Golf Tournament and a number of organised tours.

In the evening the Osprey Function Room will host the "Touch of Tartan" Joint Presidents' Ball which will be one of the highlights of the weekend, with a Show Band and maybe a surprise or two.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in their Tartan. We can point you in the direction of kilt hire if you wish.

### Saturday 26th April 2025

The 41 Club AGM will take place in the Auditorium at the resort; the Tangent Club AGM will take place in the Peregrine Suite there.

The Tangent lunch will be available to those have booked it. The Final Night "Old Macdonald Had A..." party will take place in the Osprey Function room with Fancy Dress Parade and Prize giving.

### Sunday 27th April 2025

Departure day with final farewells.



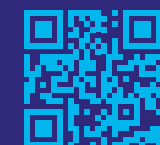
## CONFERENCE 2025 PROGRAMME AND DETAILS

### Thursday 24th April 2025

The Welcome Ceilidh with a 2-course dinner will take place in the Osprey Function Room within the Macdonald Aviemore Resort.

Ceilidh (/ˈkeɪli/) is the Scottish word for a social event with Scottish music and traditional dancing. You will be guided through the steps by our dance master and in no time, will be reeling and dashing. The band will also play more

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