



TCI News Letter no 4 2017-2018



Dear Tangents!

Even if it is a bit late, Happy New Year to you all!

Another memorable year is behind us, and a new to come! I am not a person who makes a lot of promises or resolutions on New Year's eve, but I do have some wishes for the coming year. I wish that the Tangent organisation will continue the positive trend we are in, that we will continue to grow and that we continue the side-by-side activities and events in the RT family as we have done the past years. My first side-by-side event in 2018 will be together with Tangent Club Suomi Finland and Old Tablers Suomi Finland at their joint AGMs in March. It is my first visit to Finland, I am so looking forward to that!

A very special meeting, I will say. Following our rules, Tangent Cyprus was the last founder member supposed to take the vice president/president position before free elections start up. In January, Tangent Cyprus informed the TCI Board that despite their deepest efforts they would not be able to present a candidate. As Tangent Finland is the only full member country not a founder member, we decided to turn to them, and we simply asked; are you willing to step in and take this position? They said yes! This meeting in March they will elect the candidate who will be our next vice president. I wouldn't miss that meeting! Thank you, sporty and fantastic Tangents of Finland!

On 20th January, I participated on the 50th anniversary of Ladies Circle 10, Norway, a club in my district. It is important to have a close dialog with the Circlers. Two main reasons; to remind them that we exist, that we gladly embrace new members, but more important, to keep up the discussion about what Tangent can do to support Ladies Circle.

In the last News Letter I encouraged us Tangents to do our outmost to recruit to Ladies Circle. I will continue "nagging" on this. It has been the theme in our local club in several meetings, we have taken action, please read Hilde's article in this number. Right now, my local Ladies Circle club have seven potential new Circlers (and also potential future Tangents). It is so easy, JUST DO IT! I was so lucky to visit the January meeting bringing with me two of the potential new-comers, and it was lovely to experience that the Ladies Circle spirit is still going strong.



A busy period is ahead of us, the national AGMs are "lining up" and I plan to attend as many as possible. I am really looking forward to meeting you all again.

Gerd-Inger
TCI President 2017-2018

Tangent Club Cyprus



Dear ladies,

Tangent Club Cyprus are still active and eager to continue our aims and objects which are mainly continuation of the friendship we started during circling times.

Up to now activities

- My first presence as a president was at the AGM of 41club and Ladies Circle Cyprus held on June 10th in the beautiful and historic city of Paphos which happens to be one of the European Capital cities as from this year.

- On June 28th I have attended a joint meeting with all presidents and vice presidents of 41 club, Round Table, Ladies Circle and Tangent Club Cyprus. The purpose of this meeting was to set some course of actions in order to bring all clubs of Cyprus closer as well as their members.

Common targets of the clubs are:

- Joint excursion
- Arrange a getting together weekend
- Organize common events to bring all members together
- Organize joint AGMs
- On September 16th I attended Round Table Cyprus AGM and addressed the meeting.
- On September 22nd I was invited to attend Round Table 1 house party. It was a very pleasant evening and I met with very good friends.
- On October 18th we met with the National Boards of LC, RT and 41 Club Cyprus and attempted to organize common events, serving the side-by-side MOU. We agreed to hold joint AGM on June 16th 2018 in Limassol.
- We also participated at the Movember event organized by RTC.
- It was a lovely afternoon on December 2nd, when we participated at the LC charity event, full of friendship and joy of offering service.
- The same evening we attended a nice get-together dinner organized by 41-club.

Tangent club meeting

Our club consists of 45 members. We meet once a month sometimes at a tavern or members' house. Apart from having fun, we discuss future venues we plan to have. Sometimes we invite speakers who enlighten us on subjects such as diet, cosmetics, image making.

On December 12th we had a Christmas get-together at my house. We enjoyed dinner and had lots of fun.



It's a custom to share a pie, the vasilopitta which has a coin. Whoever finds the coin, is the lucky person of the year.



On behalf of all Tangent club ladies of Cyprus I wish you all the best for the year.
See you in Austria soon.

Anna Adamidou
President Tangent club

Tangent Sweden



Tangent Sweden was chartered in 1996. We have 165 members and 16 clubs. As we do not have that many clubs yet, not all Tangent ladies are members in a local Tangent Club. If you do not have a club nearby you can still have individual membership in Tangent Sweden. To become a Swedish Tangent you have to be a past Ladies Circler.

We are doing a lot to raise funds for charity. This year we will have risen about EUR 10.000. We do not have a service

project of our own so we usually split the funds between LC Sweden's national service project and Tangent International's service project.

The Swedish Tangents like to travel. Last year we visited Great Britain, Finland, Denmark, Cyprus, Norway and Italy on Tangent AGMs and HYMs. This year some of us are already planning to go to Ireland, Austria, Finland, Denmark and Morocco and maybe some other countries.



Tangent Sweden and Ladies Circle Sweden have a close co-operation and in 2016 we signed a memorandum of understanding where we promise to support each other.

We also have close cooperation with the rest of the Swedish Round Table family. We all have our AGM together and Tangent and Old Tablers have their HYM together. We have started to investigate if we should have a memorandum of understanding with the four organisations.

And just in case you wondered - our colour is purple!
Love from Tangen Sweden



The history of Tangent Club International

As Tangent Club International this year has received two applications for Full membership, India and Israel, and one application for Associate membership, Holland, it felt appropriate to repeat the TCI history. It is good reading and probably both new and existing members will smile, and even nod their heads remembering what a wonderful journey we have behind us.

The first WELCOME of TCI





IT IS ALREADY 5 year ago – that we said:

Welcome to the first Tangent Club International (TCI) Newsletter.


NOW LET US REPEAT our history – with a copy from the first TCI Newsletter:


“Founder members of Tangent Club International

An invitation were sent to the following National Tangent Associations in order to invite all to become founder members of Tangent Club International: Cyprus, Denmark, Great Britain, Germany, India, Hong Kong, Norway and Sweden.

The result of the invitation  Founder members are to be Tangent Denmark, Tangent Norway and Tangent Sweden and subject to the approval of the Tangent Great Britain NAGM in April 2014 Tangent Great Britain. We do hope that more National Tangent Associations will join TCI – and hope to be able to welcome Tangent India as the first Full Member Country of TCI shortly after the charter of TCI 

Tangent Club International under charter

On the 26th of October 2013 a “Baby” was born – the Inaugural Meeting of Tangent Club International (TCI) took place at 12.00 PM at Örenas Castle, Sweden in the most beautiful sunny and warm weather – and likewise the sun and warm feelings of friendship were present at the meeting 

The motto and logo of TCI were presented, the declaration and rules were signed – the Tangent Club International Candle of Friendship was lit for the first time for Ladies Circle International by Immediate Past LCI President Gitte Høyer, for Club 41 International by Immediate Past National President KK and for Tangent Club International by Past National President Great Britain Gill Preston - and the four National IRO's from Denmark, Great Britain, Norway and Sweden started their work toward the charter of TCI – that will take place in Korsør, Denmark on the 3rd of May 2014 



The Facebook group and homepage of TCI were launched – and do please join us at Facebook – and have a look at www.tangentclubinternational.org Let us know if you need more information – than we provide for the moment – and we shall do our best to update the page

We need:

- Money to grow the Association – please order the TCI pin at you IRO, and she will bring it to you after the Charter in May 2013
- Illustrator to draw the LOGO, that we can use it on paper, e-mail etc.
- Members, please join us – contact you National IRO
- Members and Club News for the next TCI Newsletter – please send a small article and photo to your National IRO

We offer:

- International Friendship for Life
- International and National Half Year Meetings in all member countries
- International and National AGM's in all member countries
- The continuation of the friendship that was founded in Ladies Circle
- A place to belong to – to be happy, and to be with friends that were coached on the same ground as you

We continue to grow as Tangent and will extend in the near future in Finland and in Zambia Become a part of the future and take part in our International and National events

NOW LET US CONTINUE WITH THE REPORT FROM THE TCI CHARTER:

“Historical Event

The charter of Tangent Club International (TCI) took place on the 3rd May 2014 during 41 International Conference in Korsør, Denmark. A mark in history – finally TCI was ready to take off into the future.



Motto

Let Friendship Continue

Aims and objectives

To promote and strengthen international friendships established through Ladies Circle International.


To promote, encourage and support new international friendships between Tangent Clubs worldwide.

To assist LCI wherever and whenever called upon.

To work side-by-side with 41 International and Round Table International.

To be non-political and non-sectarian.



All Tangent Countries have been invited to become founder members of TCI . Founder members of TCI are the Tangents of Cyprus, Denmark, Great Britain, Norway and Sweden approx. 15.000 Tangent Members in total. We do hope that more National Tangent Associations will join TCI in the future.

The International Board is the International Relation Officer (IRO) of the National Tangent's countries National Board, one of the IRO are President/ Chairman for two consecutive years in a agreed rotation being: Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Cyprus and England. Denmark holds the position for the year 2013-2015.



TCI Board 2014-2015:

- President/Chairman Susanne Nørager, IRO Tangent Denmark
- Secretary Gerd-Inger Kaasen, IRO Tangent Norway
- Treasurer Karen Durie, IPP Tangent Great Britain
- Board member Lotta Fritz, IRO Tangent Sweden (not present at the picture)
- Elena Charalambidou, Tangent Cyprus

The International Councilors are the Immediate Past Presidents of the TCI member countries.

Extension

We work to be able to welcome:

- Tangent Finland under formation are working for a charter date on the 11th April 2015 with the support of LC and 41 Finland
- Tangent Belgium as the first associate Member Country at the first TCI AGM in Cyprus on the 25th April 2015
- Tangent India to become the first Full Member of TCI in 2015 or 2016

Working together side by side

Even though our Birthday is not long ago we are blessed and happy already to be working together with LCI and working side by side with RTI and 41 International.



It is tradition for all founder member countries to hold their National AGM together with 41 Club (Ex-Table, Old Table) and even in Sweden it is custom for all members of the Round Table family (LC, RT, Tangent and Ex-Table) each year to hold the National AGM together.

It is tradition for most tangent Countries to support the national Charity project of the national Ladies Circle and we cannot be more proud than the moments – you can use our collections to help your projects.



We were proud, happy and pleased to be able to welcome LCI President Cindy Kempeneers, RTI Vice President Jason Thomsen and 41 International President Carsten Flink for the TCI Charter.”

**LETS GO FURTHER BACK IN THE HISTORY –
LEARN OF THE STORY, HOW IT ALL STARTED
FIRST PUBLISHED IN THE TCI DIRECTORY
2015-2016 WRITTEN BY PAST PRESIDENT
TANGENT GREAT BRITAIN JAN DOWLING
AND JILL PRESTON:**

The first Tangent Club

The first Tangent Club (the Club for past members Ladies Circle) was founded on the 15th February by past Circlers of Ladies Circle Great Britain and Ireland, the logo - a Tangent (straight line) that just touches the Circle at one point, without cutting across the Circle.



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History of Tangent Club International – published for the first time in the TCI Directory 2014-2015

The relationship between Tangents GB and Denmark goes back to the early 1980s when Tangent GB was the godmother of Tangent Denmark. This culminated in the chartering of Tangent Denmark in October 1982 by the then President of Tangent GB, Ros Raper. This close association continued over the years and as travel became easier and cheaper it was possible to visit each other for special events. By 2008 there was indeed a growing interest in exploring the possibility of forming Tangent International to continue friendships made through Ladies Circle International. The first real step on this journey was taken by Board members of Tangents GB and Denmark following the Danish AGM in 2010 when they got together to write the Memorandum of Understand (MoU) which set down guidelines and a code of practise to encourage international links between all Tangent countries. This was formalised and signed by representatives from both countries at the AGM of Tangent GB in April 2011, hoping that it would not be long before more Tangent National Associations added their signatures, continuing the development of international links. Sweden added their signature in April 2012 at the Danish AGM and soon there was talk of Tangent Norway hoping to form a National Board so that they may sign up too.

A letter was received from Ladies Circle International suggesting that it would make communication with past circlers easier if there was just one point of contact. In a move towards achieving this, the MoU signatures agreed to nominate an International Tangent contact. The post would be held for two years,

changing on 31 March, by the International Relations Officer (IRO). The initial post holder would be Tangent GB, then Tangent Denmark followed by Tangent Sweden.

In October 2012 representatives from all four countries joined in the 30th Charter celebrations of Tangent Denmark and afterwards were able to meet together for the first time officially. This gave everyone the opportunity to share information about their association and to discuss plans for the future. Tangent Norway were very keen to charter as a National Association and hoped that this could be done in conjunction with the AGM of Ladies Circle Norway the following May, combined with the signing of the MoU too. It was agreed that the next opportunity for everyone to meet up again would be at the AGM of Tangent Denmark in April 2013.

Plans really started to come together at this meeting. The chartering of Tangent Norway was set for Friday 31 May to be followed immediately by their signing of the MoU. With four countries now on board, Tangent Club International was becoming a reality, which led to the consideration of rules and constitution. A brief meeting was also held with the President and Vice President elect of 41 Club International to advise them of our progress and to discuss the possibility of shared events in the future.

Fortunately, all four MoU countries were present at the chartering of Tangent Norway so it was possible to meet and move plans further forward once again, aspiring to hold the inaugural meeting of Tangent Club International (TCI) in conjunction with the 41 Club International half yearly meeting scheduled for 25 -27 October in Sweden. At this meeting the rules and constitution were agreed and all four countries signed their acceptance. The date for the Chartering of TCI was set for Saturday 3 May in *Korsør*, Denmark as part of the 41 Club International, Tangent and Ex Table Denmark AGMs.

Between the Inaugural and Charter meetings Tangent Cyprus decided that they also wished to join TCI so the charter documents were signed by five countries, which was a landmark occasion of great historic importance and the result of a lot of hard work and commitment over the years from Board members of the founding countries.



The Charter of TCI took place as planned place on the 3rd May 2014, the Charter Chairman was Gill Preston, Past National President Tangent Great Britain and the Minutes Secretary was Jan Dowling, Past National President Tangent Great Britain.

At the first TCI AGM held in Limassol, Cyprus 25th April 2015 Tangent Club Suomi Finland was approved and welcomed as the first Full Member Country in TCI after the TCI Charter and at the same event Tangent Clubs Belgium, Tangent Club Lithuania and Tangent Club Ukraine were approved and welcomed as the first associate members of TCI."


FROM THEN ON:

The growth of TCI continues 

A the TCI AGM 2016 in Landshut, Germany the following application for associate membership were adopted by the TCI Council:

-  Tangent Clubs Zambia
-  Tangent Club Israel

A the TCI AGM 2017 in Blackpool, England the following applications for associate membership were adopted by the TCI Council:

-  Tangent Sri Lanka

Application for full membership have been handed to the TCI Board by Tangent India and Tangent Club Israel during the TCI HYM 2017 in Rimini, Italy – both to be presented at the TCI AGM 2018 in Pörtschach am Wörthersee, Austria for approval by the TCI Council.

A TRUE ADVENTURE:

A true adventure are happening as we live our daily life as members of our own individual National Association each governed and run by individual National Boards and Rules – in respect of the diversity in each National Association being member of Tangent Club International.

I do hope that you enjoyed this walk through of our history – be the story behind the INAUGURATION and CHARTER of TCI or the bright future that lay in front of us – for all to investigate, discover and celebrate.

In honour of all the work done by members within LCI, RTI, 41 International and TCI – that made our dream come true, yours in continuous friendship – extending my hand in Friendship

Susanne Nørager

TCI President 2014-2016



Charter of LC Singapore



I met Nadia Van Dam the President of Ladies Circle Singapore in Sri Lanka and was impressed by how enthusiastic she was about starting Ladies Circle in Singapore, Round Table has been in Singapore for some years and her husband Alexis had recently chartered the number 3 club.

So with a miserable winter approaching I decided to brighten my days with some sun, colour and friendship. I left England and my coat on a cold winter evening and arrived some 13 hours later into a bright sunny afternoon, luckily the sun glasses were handy as the taxi sped from the airport. The local ladies had provided great sightseeing ideas and put all the visitors in touch via a WhatsApp group so I never felt alone. In the 2 days I had before the charter celebrations started I walked (& walked) saw the town by bus, boat &

trishaw, admired the view from the top of the Marina Bay Sands hotel and the revolving restaurant, experienced China town, little India and the Arab quarter as well as gardens the manmade Gardens by the bay.

After a Friday evening welcome party Saturday started with a walking tour, then a Personal Branding Workshop by Jainee Gandhi, a quick change brought us back together for wine tasting before the ceremony started. Many Countries were represented, Singapore's god mother, The Netherlands and their god mother Belgium, Finland, Sweden, Hongkong, Sri Lanka, RT Malaysia (in formation), RT Phillipines, and of course me representing both Tangent GB&I and Tangent International. We heard from motivational speaker Mynoo Maryel and celebrated with cupcakes and fizz before gathering by the pool for dinner & drinks.

In the next 2 days I found time to visit a local handicraft sale, the infamous Orchard Road shopping opportunities as well as peaceful visits to the Botanical gardens and a Chinese temple before collapsing by the pool with a well deserved drink.

Unfortunately the snow back home resulted in a cancelled flight and after many hours online and on the phone trying to rearrange I finally arriving home 24 hours late wishing that the airlines had a coat check in service as mine was still hanging on the banister.

Paula Farnfield
VP Tangent Club International

Charter of 41 Brazil

How the Round Table Family extends itself out to all of us

This is the Round Table family at its very best. I never thought I would be sitting on a plane on my way to Rio without Vaughan. What a long way I have come since September 2014. I may be travelling on my own but I am never alone. There are 5 other members of our RT family on board the plane; 2 which I have not yet met but I know by the end of this trip will be old friends. 4 hours into the journey and I had given details of Round Table both Nationally and Internationally to 3 people on the plane and I have a telephone number of a lawyer working in Rio, who has just been back to the UK for a interview and who was telling me all about Rio and other areas in Brazil. I had also moved to sit next to two British Airways Gold club holders who were being treated like Royalty and whenever they were brought a bottle of Champagne, they said where is the one for our friend. You would have been very proud of me, I kept up with them bottle for bottle. It was a very quick 12 hours.



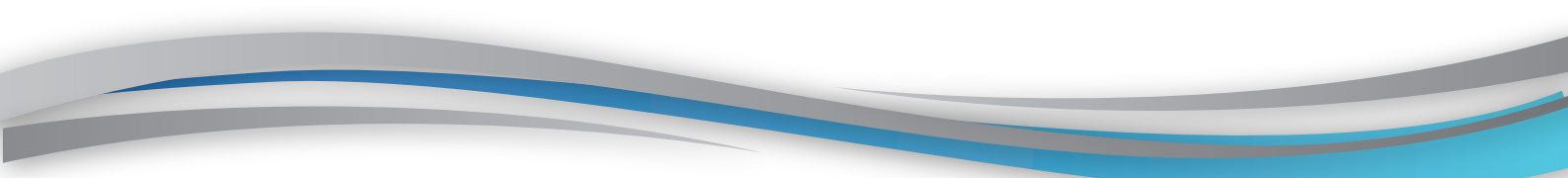
Who would have thought I would be privileged enough to be invited to go with 41 club members on a trip of a lifetime to Brazil. Thank you 41 club Germany for inviting me to attend. Christoph Weimann, a former 41 Club International Officer, mentioned to me some time ago that he was looking to charter a 41 Club in Brazil and would be organising a trip to go with it and would I be interested and I thought that was the end of it but no, I was very kindly invited to attend.

Rio de Janeiro was fantastic! Great weather so some of us - well the Germans and myself - went for a swim in Copacabana beach. It wasn't the

warmest but wow what a view up to Christ the Redeemer. You had to do it.

We had a great day with weather to match when we went up to Christ the Redeemer and Sugar Loaf Mountain and well, when we heard you could take a helicopter round both sites, over half the group jumped at it so that's what we did the next morning and it was amazing.

That afternoon we took a trip to the inner city rain forest which I never knew existed and which was very interesting. We finished our trip with a visit to a samba school which was an experience. We all wondered what was happening for the first hour when the warm





act was on but then the samba dancing started and the orchestra and my can they dance and play and they are only practicing for the carnival!!

Next day, new town. Salvador Bahia, an African American region being the old capital and we had a very interesting city tour and evening show of local dancing, completely different to the samba, including African fighting dancing .

An early start the next day to catch a samba boat to go out to 2 islands for swimming and lunch. A restful day, swimming in the sea. But not known to sit around I had heard there was a church with great views on the island and off I went on my own, I was the

only one from GB and I met only 3 others in our group on my walk and that was when I was walking back down to the beach. Off I went 128 steps up to the local church and it was well worth it. There were stunning views over the bay.

Next day, next flights - first to Rio and then a transfer to Foz do Iguacu, where we had the smallest transfer time ever. Off the plane, walk to next gate and immediately board that's the way to do it!!

2 of us made the decision to go to a recommended restaurant for dinner and a show and this was a very wise decision. The restaurant held over 1000 dinners and all could see the stage. The show is in the Guinness book of records for the most number of Latin countries dances in one show and it was excellent. We were entertained with a dance of the tango on the table in front of us and dancers from 8 Latin American countries performed for 2 hours. The dinner itself was the buffet of all buffets with everything you could think off and you just walked up to various stations and asked for what ever beef cut you wanted. It's difficult to ask for rare fillet Mignon when you don't know Portuguese but when they got the hang of it, boy was it good. I didn't make the desert table.

The next day was a trip to the nuclear power plant which was very very interesting and then over to Iguacu falls, one of the new wonders of the world and in my view one of the most awe inspiring places I have been to.

I have never seen so many waterfalls all together. Some of the foolhardy ones and you can guess that included me decided to go on a boat trip through a waterfall, yes straight through. I went and bought a cover for my camera and went for it. Not some thing you do every day but an experience well worth doing.



I was lucky enough to sit in the front of the boat with Christoph and everyone kept shouting at me to keep taking pictures, difficult when you feel as if you are going through a hailstorm and can't see a thing but I persevered and managed to get some quite decent photos.

Next morning we had the chance to go to the bird park or staying later in bed, well you know me and off I went with my cases on my own as everyone else went for the extra sleep. It was very interesting and gave me a chance to watch 4 types of humming birds hover collecting nectar. Sorry photos not that brilliant as it's virtually impossible to get them humming. The park had a large butterfly section as well and I only just got back to the cafe as the guide arrived to take me to the others to go to the airport and on to San Paulo for the charter of the first 41 club in Brazil.

I had never realised just how big San Paulo was looking down from from the airplane it went on and on and on.



The 41 club members took us round a small section of the city the next morning and we went into a fantastic church and monastery and saw the major sites or as much as we could see in a day .

Back to the hotel and quick turn around for the evening held at a members house. Engelbert Friedsam - Past President of 41 International - explained to the club their responsibilities as a member of 41 club and chartered the club. After the 41 club members present welcomed them. I was spoke last after a former Agora and Tangent Germany president Antje Meyn. I welcomed them into the 4 club family on behalf of both TCI and Tangent GB and ended with the following words:

May you grow in number and wisdom in 41 and help Round Table and hopefully in time I can return to see the birth of a new Round Table, Ladies Circle or Tangent club in your country.

We had 2 TCI countries represented on this trip Tangent GB with 4 Tangent members and Tangent Sri Lanka with 1 member. They were keen to learn about the other clubs and need to start working on reforming Round Table in Brazil and then help start the ladies clubs.

What an experience and all because Vaughan joined Round Table in the early 80's - who would have thought it.

Please remember a lot of visits are open to all members of all clubs, Nationally and Internationally. There is a wide world out there and in the last few years I have travelled to Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Italy, India, New Zealand, Portugal, Spain and Sweden with trips planned to Austria, Morocco, Norway and Sri Lanka, all of these within the 4 Club family, so come on - who is up for it!?

Jill Harris
Vice President Tangent GB

Visit to Bangalore

What to do when having a long stop over?



Last December I visited some Swedish friends who are running a restaurant in Kovalam outside Trivandrum in Kerala in south India. My plan was to start my trip to India in Kerala and then go further up to Goa before going back home to Sweden.

When I booked my flights going from Trivandrum to Goa I had two options. One was to have a short, a bit too short (40minutes) stopover in Bangalore. The other option was to have a seven hours long stopover in Bangalore. I was not too keen on having to spend seven hours at an airport all by myself.

Then I came to think of that I visited Tangent India's AGM in Bangalore last year and got to know some Indian Tangents. Maybe I could spend my hours with some Tangent friends instead of alone at the airport? I contacted my host from last year, Sandhya Jaiprakash and we set up a meeting. When I arrived in Bangalore Sandhya, Anasuya and Sukanya, all members of Tangent Bangalore was waiting for me at the airport. It was so nice to see them again. We had lunch at a Country Club and discussed the differences and similarities between Tangent Sweden and Tangent India. How to promote that ladies continue to Tangent after leaving Ladies Circle etc. I also had short but nice sightseeing in Bangalore on the way back to the airport.

So, instead of spending hours alone at an airport, I spent some really nice time with new and old Tangent friends.



'Let friendship continue'
Åsa Egnell, TS6 Stockholm Norr

LCI MTM Luxembourg



I am not a morning person and realising that I was at the wrong terminal at Heathrow airport was a bit of a shock, to be fair I hadn't looked at the details on the booking or boarding card as almost always British Airways fly from Terminal 5, but not to Luxembourg; Luxembourg was Terminal 3 ! So, whilst the GB&I Circlers were having a leisurely breakfast I was rushing to the inter terminal drain, nervously fidgeting waiting for the train to leave, standing by the door ready for the train stopping, dashing to departures and checking in with just 2 minutes to spare. No breakfast for me before the flight and the less said about the M&S porridge in flight the better.

A bus ride & a short walk later & we were at the conference hotel to leave the cases before a walk into town, sadly it was very damp and foggy so not conducive to picture taking, there was nothing else for it a leisurely lunch called before a taxi (for the lazy ones of us) or a cross country, up hill & down dale trek for those feeling fitter. With time to relax at the hotel I caught up with Tangent GB&I VP Jill before getting out the unions jack wear for the welcome party in a small night club. Saturday morning was again foggy, luckily the expected 35 minute walk turned into a 5 minute free ride on the newly opened tram service, and just 2 minutes ignoring the lure of the shopping centre to reach the meeting venue.



The meeting opened as usual with the candle of friendship, introductions and greetings from guests – yes that was me - before breaking into discussion groups on various subjects. Suggestions & possible actions are listed below (none of these are decisions)



Charity March and Number Exchange

A world map is to be created, populated by clubs in each country – volunteers from each country to help with this.

Side by Side

Suggestions were made to update Aims & Object to cover 'Round Table Family'

Joint board meeting suggested – within countries & at international level

Suggestion to investigate joint conference RTI/LCI

Involving RT in charity projects (for countries where RT don't do charity work)

Regions/Extension/Growth

RT to help is supporting new Circles

Checklists to be produced for god mother / god daughter countries

Marketing Communications

- Request for LCI logo to be included on all own country media
- Calendar of events / country

Future members – how to get younger generation involved

- India involve daughters as Twinklers
- Denmark setting up Networks for 18-25-year-old ladies
- Possible football camp over summer

LC Malta raised the subject of when you left LCI – there seemed to be some confusion between own country rules and International rules & the Board will look at clarifying this.

LC Spain will charter on 7th April in Fuengirola

LC Denmark celebrate 50 years in May

LC India celebrate their 50th AGM in September



The final dinner took place in the Melia hotel, where almost everyone was staying, so no coats required, best high heeled shoes and dancing till late.

Ladies Circle Luxembourg you made it happen

Paula Farnfield
VP Tangent Club International

Help Ladies Circle recruit new members

Tangent – a continuance of Ladies Circle and a success story of collaboration.

My name is Hilde Aasebø and I am Vice President of Tangent Norway. I am also a member of Tangent Club Sandvika which was started by x-ladies from Ladies Circle 33 Sandvika – a 40-year-old club in Norway. Most of its members has retired over the last few years and suddenly only 3 members remained.



With our close connection to LC Sandvika, Tangent Sandvika decided to make it our mission to help save the club by help recruiting potential members - in addition to this being one of our own President's mission close to heart this year.

So how could Tangents help? By default, we may not be in close contact with Ladies at the age of 18 to 40, but if you look again, you may be 😊

As some of you might know, I had a baby in August (probably only Tangent in the world doing the baby thing ;)) and therefore I am exposed to various gatherings with young moms. In my maternity group, we are 8 moms and two of them was new to our area with limited local network, so they were interested right away. In addition, I took my baby to a singing group and there were two more young mommies with limited network for the same reason, and they too were interested. Now we had four!



BUT, you don't have to be a new mommy to find potential Ladies. Both Hanne and Gerd-Inger in our Tangent Club investigated their own network and found two more – one at work and one in her own family. Now we had six!



In addition, we put an “add” in Tangent Norway's Facebook group and the LCN Vice President contacted me with a Lady newly moving to our region and looking for a Circle. I got her contact details and then we had seven!



We invited all, together with existing members, to an information meeting at my house - and everyone was interested in continuing and participate in the next meeting.



In addition to Tangent Sandvika's efforts to help, the neighbor club LC Asker invited the 3 members and their potential ladies to join their own meetings for the next half year – so that the new Ladies immediately was part of a club with existing Ladies and could observe and participate in well-established Circle meetings from the get-go. A truly 6-hearted inspired invitation! <3

Ladies Circle 33 Sandvika is saved – a success story of collaboration! <3



Side-by-Side for charity



Being a rather small organisation, the board members of Tangent Norway asked ourselves; what can we do to contribute to the national and international charity projects run by Ladies Circle?

We looked (as Norwegians very often do) to Sweden, why re-invent the wheel? What we found was that Tangent Sweden use every possible occasion to get their members to chase for Champagne bottles, and pay a lot for it. A successful event they have in Sweden is the Champagne Calendar Club. In short terms; you buy a membership in the club and every day from December 1st to the 24th a lucky member receives a bottle of Champagne. The surplus goes to charity.

We decided to try this in Norway, but also that we needed a partner. And who else to turn to but the 41'ers? We emailed the President of 41 Norway, and the answer came immediately, we are in!

We wrote presentations of the charity projects, "Happy Hearts" and "Min dag i dag", both Tangents and 41'ers spread the word about the project, and the Champagne Christmas Calendar Club was launched on Facebook in the middle of November. What a success! Tangent and 41'ers bought memberships, the FB site was shared and friends bought memberships. We talked about it at work, and colleagues bought memberships, it really took off. Some days were quiet, but then the 41'ers sent out reminders, a very dedicated Tangent spent hours calling friends and family, and we were on track again. In total, we sold 148 memberships before November 30th.

At noon every day the lucky member was announced on FB, and based on comments and likes, we know that many of the members checked FB hoping to see their name come up.

The surplus from this project was NOK 20 000, approximately € 2 000, that will be divided between the national and international LC service projects.

Cooperating with the 41'ers was a lot of fun, and this really confirmed that "Together we are stronger"!

The "technicalities" (random drawing, automatic emails and announcing the lucky member) was taken care of by our Swedish friends, Anna and Christian. I am sure they will share the "recipe" if anyone would like to do the same.

On behalf of Tangent and 41 Norway,
Gerd-Inger and Berit
Lasse and Nils



Tangent Sandvika welcomes you to the National AGM for Tangent Norway and 41 Club Norway in Bærum, **8-10 June 2018.**

Radisson Blu Park Hotel, Oslo. Address; Fornebuveien 80, 1366 Lysaker



Welcome to the idyll by the seaside!



- Single or double room at the hotel
- Breakfast Saturday and Sunday
- Dinner and party Friday evening
- Lunch Saturday
- AGM Tangents and 41 on Saturday
- Activity Saturday
- Banquet Saturday evening



The hotel is located 2.6 km from Lysaker Station, only 5 minutes by taxi. The airport train runs directly from Gardemoen airport to Lysaker station.

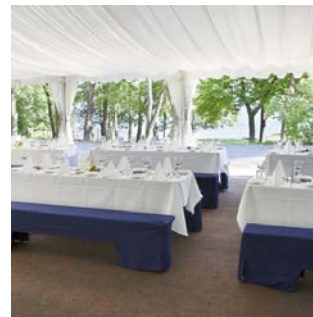
The hotel is located in a beautiful setting by the Oslo Fjord, only a few minutes from Oslo City Center. It has many facilities and great atmosphere. It fits perfectly as a venue for Tangent Norway and 41 Club Norway's national meeting.

The hotel has 251 rooms, 103 of them refurbished in 2014. They offer restaurant, bar, private terrace with bar and outdoor seating, beach, large park and good parkingspace.

The rooms have view over the park, telephone, flat screen, hairdryer and free wireless internet.

More information will follow – hold the date!

Welcome!



Tangent Sweden together with Lades Circle, Round Table and Old Tablers Sweden cordially invites you to our AGM. More information and registration at www.rm2018.se

Live Long Time

LES2 & RT90 BORLÄNGE

RIKSMÖTESFESTIVALEN 2018

WELCOME TO BORLÄNGE!

The AGM will be held in Borlänge on May 17-20th 2018 by Ladies Circle 52 and Round Table 90.

[#rm2018borlänge](https://twitter.com/rm2018borlänge)

[#livelongtime](https://twitter.com/livelongtime)

TCI AGM

27-29 April 2018

Pörtschach am Wörthersee, Austria

<http://club41.agm2018.at>

Registration is open

Please join us!



Agenda

Friday 27.04.2018

- 14:00 - 18:00h Welcome and registration at the Parkhotel in Pörtschach/Wörthersee
Golf tournament "Jacques Lemans Golfclub St.Veit"
- 18:00h Transport to the evening event (with Bus)
- 18:45h Welcome drink and typical Carinthian Dinner at "Weingut Taggenbrunn"
(Dresscode: your own traditional costume)
- 23:00h Onwards: busses leave to Pörtschach

Saturday 28.04.2018

- 09:30h Tangent Club International AGM - venue to be decided
- 09:30h Culture program for non delegates
- 13:00 Joint lunch at "Burg Hochosterwitz"
- 15:00h Onwards: busses leave to Pörtschach
- 18:00h Banner exchange
- 19:00h Pre drink and Gala Dinner at Parkhotel

Sunday 29.04.2018

- 11:30h Farewell brunch on the panoramic terrace of Park Hotel in Pörtschach

For information about pretours, accommodations and connections - please visit the website.



TCI calendar

Year	Month	Date	Event	Country	Place	Link or contact email
2018	March	16-18	Tangent Finland AGM	Finland	Tampere	www.otsfagm.fi
2018	April	12-15	Tangent GB&I AGM	Great Britain	Belfast	www.41club-tangent-belfast.co.uk
2018	April	27-29	TCI AGM	Austria	Pörtschach am Wörthersee	http://club41.agm2018.at
2018	May	4-6	Tangent Denmark AGM	Denmark	Odense	www.lm18.dk
2018	May	17-20	Tangent Sweden AGM	Sweden	Borlänge	www.rm2018.se
2018	June	8-10	Tangent Norway AGM	Norway	Sandvika, Oslo	www.lm2018.org
2018	August-September	29-2	LCI conference	Norway	Haugesund	http://www.lci2018.no
2018	October	12-14	TCI HYM	Morocco	Marrakech	http://www.41clubmorocco.org/

There's always TCI activity going on all around the world. The TCI Board would like to strongly recommend to you think at least twice before you join any of these activities. Record shows that travelling within the Round Table family is strongly addictive. Actually - one trip and you're stuck. But if you're fully aware of the hazard of being caught in never-ending friendship, fun and crazy events, you're more than welcome to join the rest of us addicts. If you have any questions, contact your national IRO - but beware! She will probably try to persuade you to give in to temptation!

