

# TCI 2018-2019



Tangent Club International

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## *TCI President Paula Farnfield*

Hello Ladies, I hope that you have had a great start to 2019. Your Board have been busy finalising the AGM Agenda, which hopefully you have now seen.

Nina, Dawn and I have been taking some time out to visit LCI at the mid term meetings in France, Lithuania and Romania. I have been joining TC India for their mid term meeting in Salem, so the summer clothes are back out of the wardrobe and I have had a digital detox by being away from email for a couple of weeks.

*Make Every Moment Count*

*Paula*



## The TCI board



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## TANGENT CLUB IN FINLAND

### – A SUCCESS STORY FROM THE START

Tangent Club Suomi Finland was founded in November 2014 and chartered directly as a full member country to the TCI in April 2015. Why not as a full member immediately, we thought, once we get involved, better do it properly and so, that we can also have an effect and saying in the development of the TCI. Since then, it's been an unrivalled success story. The number of members has grown in a steady flow and clubs have been founded and chartered equally.



*TC-111 Saarijärvi, chartered by TCSF Area Lead Terhi Rontu (on the right)*

#### SUPER-MONTH FOR CHARTERS

January 2019, was a super-month for club charters! Four clubs were chartered in four different locations in Finland. There is always a board member present, doing the official chartering. It is primarily always the President, but as there is only one Susanna this year, she was not able to be in two places at the same time. On January 11<sup>th</sup>, TC-444 Kouvola and TC-111 Saarijärvi were chartered. Many of the clubs take the same number, as from which LC-club their members originate from, but they are also allowed to come up with their own numbers (which has to be between 200 and 998). Kouvola, for example, has two Ladies' Circle clubs, LC-40 and LC-94, hence, for the Tangent club number, they wanted to combine the fours and then just add one more 4 to make the number acceptable. Saarijärvi took directly the same number as their Ladies' Circle club has, LC-111 Saarijärvi.



*TC-444 Kouvola, chartered by TCSF President Susanna Jänkälä (on the right)*



## Number of MEMBERS since April 2014



From the chartering in 2014 the number of members has increased by almost 600%

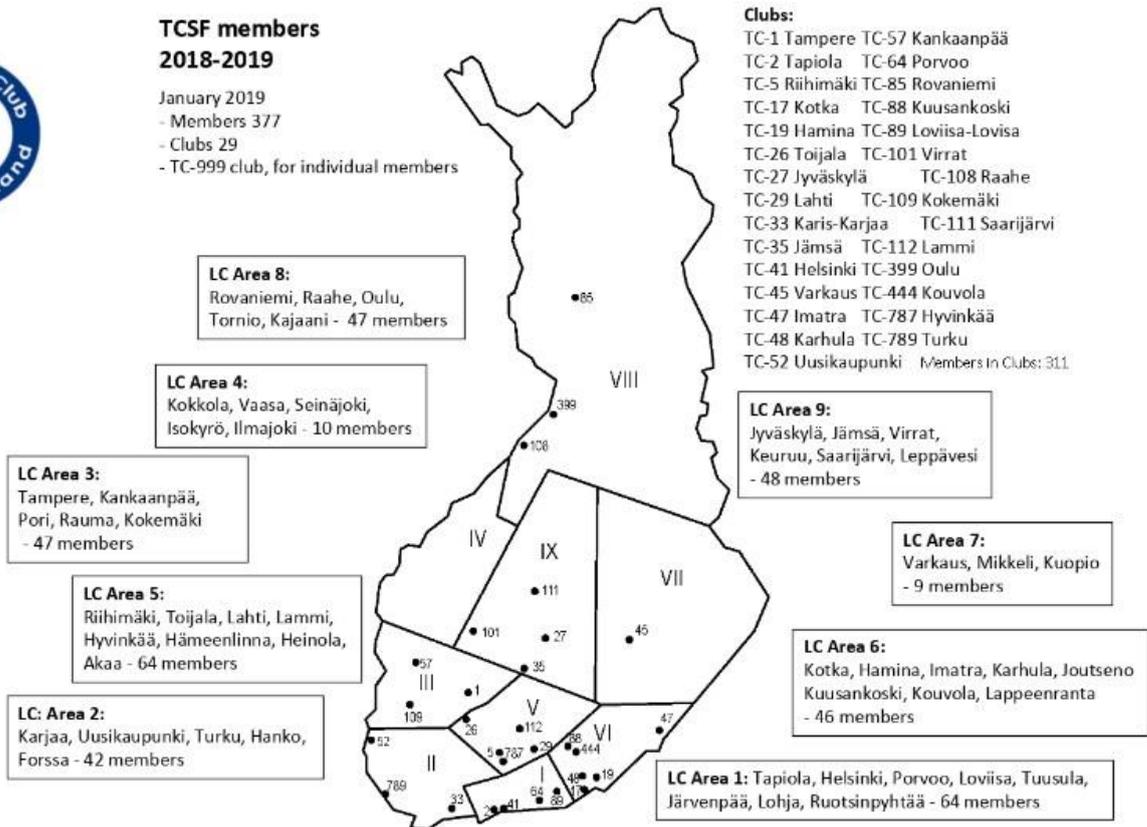


### TCSF members 2018-2019

January 2019  
 - Members 377  
 - Clubs 29  
 - TC-999 club, for individual members

### Clubs:

TC-1 Tampere TC-57 Kankaanpää  
 TC-2 Tapiola TC-64 Porvoo  
 TC-5 Riihimäki TC-85 Rovaniemi  
 TC-17 Kotka TC-88 Kuusankoski  
 TC-19 Hamina TC-89 Loviisa-Lovisa  
 TC-26 Toijala TC-101 Virrat  
 TC-27 Jyväskylä TC-108 Raahе  
 TC-29 Lahti TC-109 Kokemäki  
 TC-33 Karis-Karjaa TC-111 Saarijärvi  
 TC-35 Jämsä TC-112 Lammi  
 TC-41 Helsinki TC-399 Oulu  
 TC-45 Varkaus TC-444 Kouvola  
 TC-47 Imatra TC-787 Hyvinkää  
 TC-48 Karhula TC-789 Turku  
 TC-52 Uusikaupunki Members in Clubs: 311



## MEMBER EVENT IN TURKU

Earlier the same day as the Turku club was chartered, TCSF together with the Turku ladies, arranged a members' event for all Tangents. As Turku is a very history-rich city, they also have an

interesting history on many powerful at their time -women. We saw and heard stories of these women all over the city; so interesting and encouraging!

These events for the Tangent members are one incentive for the past ladies' circle members to join Tangent as they are partially funded from the membership fee income. The more you attend, the more you gain back from the membership fee (which has been 50 euros/member since the founding of TCSF)!

**On January 19<sup>th</sup>, on the south-western coast of Finland, TC-789 Turku was chartered. They, too, came up with their own number for the club and it originated from the age of their home city, Turku: When TC-789 was founded, the city of Turku was 789 years old. What a fun story!**



*TC-789 Turku, chartered by President Susanna Jänkälä (fourth from the right)*

## **LAST BUT NOT LEAST**

And finally, on January 27<sup>th</sup>, in the middle-Finland, TC-27 Jyväskylä was chartered. Their number is based on the LC-27 Jyväskylä club.



*TC-27 Jyväskylä, chartered by President Susanna Jänkälä (fourth from the right)*

More charters are already now scheduled, and more members are joining Tangent. How do we do it? By being present in all Ladies' Circle events, by telling about Tangent actively off-line and online. Simply by being seen and heard everywhere in the Round Table Family events, by being fun and relaxed, easy to approach and eager to approach. By being "Same same but different", as our President Susanna's motto this year says!

**TCSF IRO and TCI Vice President  
Nina Leppäkangas**





**Four months into my Presidential year already! Time flies but every moment has been filled with unforgettable experiences. Creating memories that will stay a lifetime.**

My theme for the year is “Celebrate Friendship”...with four quarterly themes..Health and wellness, Community service, Learning and education and Art Music and Culture.

Tangent clubs pan India implemented the health and wellness theme in unique ways, morning walks, healthy meals, health checkups for self and others, conducted medical camps, blood donation and much more.

Now we are into the Community service quarter and already clubs are preparing to do so many interesting projects. The common theme activities have bonded clubs across the country.

My Club visits have taken me to several places. Every meeting has been a priceless experience. My home city Bangalore’s three clubs had a joint meeting hosted by my dear friend, Past President, Ladies Circle International Ashwini Surendar. Felt so loved and cherished.

Hubli clubs gave me a “Head of State reception”, beyond royalty. Vellore club gave me a cake with my logo as icing! It was a picnic at an orchid farm in Hyderabad .

Mumbai Tangent club #1 meeting had the distinguished presence of two Past Presidents, President, VP, two City Chairpersons .

Mumbai Tangent Club #15 invited me to be the Chief Guest at the Republic Day Celebrations in a school they support. Very proud and fulfilling moment of National pride.

My home Ladies Circle 19 in Bangalore celebrated its 800 th meeting last week , and as a Charter member, it was an honour to meet the Ladies Circle India President Namrata Shenoy. Circle 19 has given the movement Two LC India Presidents, one LC International President and two Tangent India Presidents!!

Tangent India is excitedly getting geared up to receive TCI President Paula for our MTM at Salem. This is going to be yet another unique experience for Tangent India .We have made a valiant effort to “Make every moment count” as we Celebrate Friendship!!

**Sukanya Lakshmi Narayan, President,  
Tangent India 2018-19**

# CELEBRATE FRIENDSHIP, Tangent India Is on a BINGO Spree



A simple theme and a simple idea is all that takes, for Tangent India to celebrate friendship. A petit frame packed with a large intent to get Tangent India to work and have fun together, today has all of India together reveling the most important 4 L's to celebrate friendship....Life, Laughter, Love and Lasting memories. As she wore the jewel to lead Tangent India for the year 2018-19, President Sukanya reminded all present that WOMEN need WOMEN FRIENDS! Bringing the country closer, she launched the BINGO Card, 25 activities across 4 quarters, November: Health and Wellness ... February: Service to the community ... May: Learning and education ... August: Art, Music and culture ... DO, DO IT TOGETHER!

The BINGO card, creating a friendly competition and involving all to do activities. All a club had to do was do an activity and strike off on the card. Getting as many straight lines leading to a full black out!

Tangent India saw a spate of activities amongst clubs, from city clubs coming together, to learning dancing to taking a morning walk to chanting/ yoga, conducting breast cancer awareness camps to attending a stand up comedy show, the clubs did it so much.

A Bingo Year of celebrating friendship! And the quest to be together in continued friendship continues..... Let the pictures speak for themselves!



TANGENT BINGO				
Teach the underprivileged	Work with L C India	Get jogging Morning walk or jog	Learn dancing	Learn a Creative skill
Chant, Life Lessons	Celebrate Festivals	Invite a speaker	Meditate, a day in silence	Grow Trees
Education	Learn an ART	Travel	Health check-ups	
Watch a play, movie	Eat healthy breakfast	Vaccination	Book reading	Drama or a stand up
Donate Blood	Yoga	Raise FUNDS	Visit museum or	

Travelling with T

## Travelling with President – Paula Farnfield

*A Voyage anywhere, wherever it maybe  
Is actually a voyage deep inside oneself.....*

*She came  
She saw  
She conquered*

*But, unlike the British of the yesteryears who came and conquered India, Paula came to India and conquered everybody's hearts with her affectionate smile and "No Fuss" attitude.*

We all met Paula on the 15th of Feb at appx. 12 midnight when she entered Vandana's house in Salem looking so tired and washed out. She had caught a bad bug on her trip to Delhi/Shimla and was feeling so unwell that she had to miss her flight.

But, this lady was made of Steel – (that's what Salem is famous for) and next morning to everybody's surprise she was up and ready in time for the Tangent India MTM. She came dressed in an orange ghaghra (skirt) a TCI T-shirt and there the ladies helped her to wear a sari.

The washed out Paula of last night had disappeared and in her place was a vivacious, exuberant Tangent International President who addressed the ladies, took part in all the games and danced and had loads of fun. After the MTM a few of us – Sukanya - TI President, Bijal - TI VP, Jayshree -TI Secretary, Ranjana - TI webconvenor, Nirmala - TI Editor and Swati from Hubli drove up into the picturesque hill station of Yercaud famous for it's coffee estates.

The first night we all sat on the balcony outside our rooms, clinked glasses, ate, sang, chatted and got acquainted with one another as we admired the beautiful lights amidst the valley in the distance and the luminous stars in the sky above

Next morning Jayshree, Ranjana, me and Mohan - the owner of the estate and a 41er from Salem went on a trek on MSP Coffee Estate. The sight from Heaven's ledge was spectacular and the trek through the coffee estate was a sheer thrill. We sat on stone elephants, posed in hollow trees, walked on the edge of the precipice and from there admired the beauty of the valley beneath us. There was no noise around except for the chirping of the birds and our excited chatter.



Next morning we drove to Pondicherry famous for its French quarters, tree lined streets, mustard colored colonial villas and Auroville. In the evening we walked on the seaside promenade and watched the sun set as the waves danced and dashed against the black rocks. The place was pure magic - the silence, the sunset, the orange sky, the white colonial buildings in the background - you could sit for hours here and not get tired. But we had to go for a Tangent club meeting so off we went to Mala's place where Selvi demonstrated some yoga asanas.



Next day during our visit to Auroville, we visited swaram- an innovative musical instruments showroom and a workshop where underprivileged women make Artifacts from newspapers and papier-mâché. We were then treated to a sumptuous lunch made in Auroville's solar kitchen. The food was so tasty and so pure and yet so simple. In the evening we had a meeting with the 41ers of club No 30 and Tangent 26 ladies. The meeting went off without a hiccup thanks to the excellent planning of 41er – Mr Subramaniam and ended with all of us singing happy birthday to Sukanya - our TI President and with her cutting a delicious chocolate cake.



3 members of T26 accompanied Paula and me to the Matrimandir at Auroville the next morning. It was an absolutely surreal / ethereal experience. Felt like we were walking into one of Howard Roarke's (fountainhead) futuristic creations or into a space craft. The globe from outside coloured gold was impressive but the walk up the ramp inside the globe into the meditation chamber where there was a HUGE glass globe was an experience in itself. A huge banyan tree in the gardens outside is said to be the soul of Auroville whose 30 odd branches have sprouted roots – a sight to behold. In the centre of the amphitheatre is an urn which contains the soil of 172 countries.



After our visit to the Matrimandir, Paula and me drove to Chennai Airport and boarded a flight to Mumbai. Next morning Paula took another flight back home to London .

I learnt a lot from Paula in these 5 nights I spent with her. She is absolutely unassuming, easygoing, is a great photographer, has a great British sense of humour and is totally dedicated to LC and Tangent.

**Bijal Kalbag**  
**Vice President'**  
**Tangent India**





Do you want to do a fantastic journey? Go to Israel!

*Me and my husband Tomas made a two week trip in Israel now in January. Geographically a small country but with a big range of culture, exiting environments and a rich history.*



We landed in Tel Aviv and took the bus directly to Jerusalem. A holy and wonderful city. The memory of taking a stroll in the small alleys, drink a pomegranate-smootie and smell the spices will stay in my mind for a long time. Naturally we also walked along Via Dolorosa and made a visit at the wailing wall.



Before we arrived I had some contact with the chairman of Tangent Israel - Sigal Geffen Rafaely who helped me with all the contacts.

The plan was to meet Dana Tal Sasson in Jerusalem. We decided to meet at a hotel I (thought) I knew. The time went - but no Dana. Eventually I realized that I waited at the wrong hotel. A bit stressed I asked the hotelreception of the way to the other hotel. And they helped me in the best way and let me go with the long white limousin to the right place. Stately entrance!



Me and Dana went to a recently opened aquarium and walked around there for and hour or two. We exchanged experiences and noted that the Tangent-life here and there are like in many ways. But one thing that made me impressed was their big social engagement.



Next days program was a tour out in the desert to visit the Masada-mountain and take a swim in the Dead sea. Masada is a high rock with a tragic ancient history with a mass suicide and the Dead sea is not only the most salt lake in the world, it is also the lowest place on earth - 430 meter under the sea.

From Jerusalem we went to the southpoint of Israel - Eilat at the Red sea. Sandy beaches, magnificent coral reef and warm waves ( not so salt).



After one week in the sun we returned to Tel Aviv where I had decide a meeting with three Tangents. I got picked up at me hotel with a car and we went to a cosy greek taverna in the old city Jaffa. Imagine how much we have to talk about, though we have never met before. Like meeting old friends for the first time!



The Tangent-ladies in Israel work hard to make a difference for the ones who need it most. They cook for the homeless and war-veterans. Everyone in the clubs on a rolling schedule every week! They also raises money in different projects. Charity in its right sense! Time flies away when four tangents exchange

experiences, and to soon it was time to take goodbye to my Israel-sisters.



Are you planning a trip abroad? Why don't take the chance to extend your visit in a foreign country and meet your Tangent-sisters who live there? Maybe it will give you just as much positive feelings and good memories that I come home with? There is a whole world full of Lady Circlers and Tangents out there!



**Big hugs from Annika Lerman**





**Tangent Israel anthem song**

Some of our most talented members from Tangent Israel met in a recording studio in order to record the Tangent national anthem song which we will distribute on international Tangent day and on a good deeds day.



**Formation day**

The State of Israel celebrates 70 years and we celebrated formation day in Kibbutz Harduf in the north. Dressed proudly with Colorful Tangent shirts divided into groups, fed calves and chickens, collected hay in wheelbarrow We sat down together in the "quiet" room, we sang with great pride the anthem of Tangent Israel and we ate delicious lunch It was a wonderful day



*All the Tangent members will receive a birthday greetings in their mailbox at home like in the old day*



On 23.12.18 a second board meeting was held in Haifa



**International women's day**

We are preparing for international women's day on 12.3.19 an Israeli party with ladies circle Israel at the Kabbalah center in Tel Aviv



2019

March

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

Inbar is a national vice president and I am going to fundraising events and meetings of all the tangent in Israel .There is a WhatsApp group of all the national board, chairman and vice chairman there is full cooperation and the assistants are working with great love. **LOTS OF LOVE**



**SIGAL RAFAELY - PRESIDENT  
TANGENT CLUB ISRAEL  
And all the national board  
2018-2019**



# Important dates 2019

Date	Country	Event	Website
25.-25. January	Pornichet, France	LCI MTM	<a href="http://mtm2019france.blogspot.com/">http://mtm2019france.blogspot.com/</a>
8.-10. February	Bucharest, Romania	LCI MTM	<a href="http://mtm2019.ro/">http://mtm2019.ro/</a>
15.-17. February	Diani, Kenya	LCI MTM	<a href="http://www.mtm2019.co.ke/">http://www.mtm2019.co.ke/</a>
15.-17. February	Kleipeda, Lithuania	LCI MTM	<a href="http://mtm2019.com/">http://mtm2019.com/</a>
16. February	Salem, India	HYM	
23. March	Finland	AGM	<a href="http://www.41international.net/event/agm-41-finland-2019-in-helsinki/">http://www.41international.net/event/agm-41-finland-2019-in-helsinki/</a>
4.-7. April	Torquay, GB & I	AGM	<a href="http://www.41international.net/2018/04/agm-gbi-41club-tangent-national-conference-2019/">http://www.41international.net/2018/04/agm-gbi-41club-tangent-national-conference-2019/</a>
26.-28. April	Brussels, Belgium	AGM	<a href="http://www.41international.net/agm41belgium/">http://www.41international.net/agm41belgium/</a>
4. May	Roskilde, Denmark	AGM	<a href="https://www.lm19.dk/">https://www.lm19.dk/</a>
25. May	Norway	AGM	<a href="http://www.LM2019.no">www.LM2019.no</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Sweden	AGM	<a href="http://www.rm2019lkpg.se/">http://www.rm2019lkpg.se/</a>
30. May	Israel	AGM	
30 August	Rotterdam, The Netherland	LCI AGM	<a href="http://www.lci2019.org/">http://www.lci2019.org/</a>
31. Oct.-3. Nov.	Malta	TCI HYM	<a href="http://www.41international.net/hym41malta/">http://www.41international.net/hym41malta/</a>
22.-24. Nov.	Sweden/Södre Berget, Sundsvall	HYM	

## Invitations– save the dates!

LCI President 2019-20, Alex Bennett would like to invite you to a ball in aid of the LCI Service Project

### TANGENT GB&I



In aid of  
Ladies Circle International  
Service Project 2019 -2021

**Gin-gle bell ball**

16th November 2019  
Castle Hotel, Windsor  
(20 miles from London)  
£55 early bird until 1st July

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

For more information, please contact  
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Fifty Glorious Years of Fun and Friendship

Tangent 50th Anniversary Lunch



Save the date!

12 September 2020

Birmingham National  
Conference Centre

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