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REIGN ON !

JTC RESIDENTS CELEBRATE THE GOLDEN JUBILEE WHILST RAIN TRIES HARD TO STOP PLAY AT THE SUMMER FETE

Try as it did, the rain could not stop the fun at the annual Summer Fete, held in the beautiful gardens of James Terry Court on Sunday the 9th June 2002. As usual there were the same varied array of stalls and attractions, all of which were well supported by those who braved the weather. Everybody was in good spirits despite the weather. No-one was going to let a *'bit of rain'* spoil the day, showing the 'best of British' as only we brits can when it comes to the weather. As usual we had a very special guest to commence the proceeding. This year we were very honoured to welcome Lt.Col. D.A.M. Phipps, our Provincial Grand Master, to open the fete with the assistance of Peter Grey, Chief Executive of the R.M.B.I.

Those who came along enjoyed the opportunity to spend time browsing around the stalls that were selling items such as hanging baskets, fine art pictures, garden ornaments, bric a-brac, jams and

JTC resident buying a raffle ticket at the Friends Stall

Peter Kendall, Chair of Friends Committee, Peter Grey, CEO of the RMBI & the Prov. Grand Master, opening the fete..

Preserves and of course raffle tickets. There was also a tombola and an opportunity to join the 100 plus club. As the fete drew to a close our Provincial Grand Master drew the winning ticket of the prize draw, with a jackpot of £250 going to the lucky winner. But of course there really is only one winner and that is James Terry Court. Due to the generosity of all those who had helped out, attended, bought items and raffle tickets, the Friends were able to raise a staggering £10,000, all of which goes directly to the home. This in turn goes to the benefit of the residents. Our thanks go to you all and we look forward to seeing you again at next years Summer Fete.

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Earlier in the week on Monday 3rd June, James Terry Court Staff, along with the help of some of the committee members, decorated the garden with garlands and red and blue tables with white chairs, were formed into a large horseshoe shape for all the residents to enjoy a good old fashioned street party. A toast was proposed to Her Majesty the Queen and then the festivities commenced, with large sponges filled with water being thrown at a volunteer tied to a chair. It was surprising how quickly the residents joined in with such enthusiasm by picking a 'champion' to throw a sponge on their behalf. W. Bro. Tony Campbell could not contain himself any longer and for a small donation, used a bucket (filled with water of course!) instead of a sponge to complete this part of the proceedings. Patriotic songs were sung and then a general singalong followed – what the neighbours thought we do not know !

The afternoon continued with a few games of prize bingo and calls of 'ere are' rather than 'house. The afternoons proceedings were completed with a super tea with special cakes and other goodies. We think the Queen might have approved – God bless the Queen.

Enjoying the Golden Jubilee celebrations

HOG ROAST – SATURDAY 29TH JUNE 2002

Enjoying a Summer evening out.

Presenting a cheque to the RMBI

Bro. Peter Murray entertains all

The day arrived for the third annual Hog Roast to be held at James Terry Court and following the dreadful weather that we had experienced at the Summer Fete, all fingers were crossed that the sun would shine on us for this event. And shine it did.

This years evening was by far the most well attended since they began, with nearly 170 people enjoying a fantastic evening of food and music and fun. Included in that number were several of the residents who certainly enjoyed themselves mingling with the rest of the crowd and tucking into a wonderful hot meal that could only be described as a magnificent feast. Also amongst the crowd where members of the Provincial Executive as well as many from the Friends' Committee.

As always the evening kicked off with some tunes being played on the stereo. However as the evening progressed we were treated to a stunning performance of 'songs from the brat pack' by Bro. Peter Murray, a new member of the Tamesa Lodge. His performance was the highlight of the evening, and included all the great songs of Swing. In fact the audience were so impressed that they demanded not one but two encores. We look forward to seeing and hearing him at next years Hog Roast.

The Hog Roast also gave Paul Cousins from the RMBI, an opportunity to accept a cheque from the Friends of James Terry Court for the incredible amount of £10,000 which was raised at the Summer Fete and which goes directly to James Terry Court.

All in all it was a great night and we look forward to next year's with great anticipation.

BETTY GAZELEY'S RESIDENTS ENTERTAINMENT

Once again, despite suffering from some personal injuries (see opposite page), Betty Gazeley has continued to organise many wonderful events to keep the residents entertained.

In particular, on September 9th, the residents were fortunate in being entertained by the excellent CROYDON STAGERS. They sang a wonderful medley of cockney songs. This was followed by some individual acts and then finished off with a selection of patriotic numbers and with which the residents all joined in. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the whole concert and very much look forward to the 'Stagers' making a return visit i n January 03.

In addition to this there was the usual array of familiar faces visiting to entertain, including Tony's Tune Factory in May. In June, Katy (singer) and Elizabeth (pianist) Shorter gave a performance and later in June Sandra Winter entertai ned us by playing the Handbells. In July the Mandolin group gave a show with Tony's Tune Factory making a welcome return in August. We also enjoyed an Old Time Music Hall in August and then in September pianist, Elizabeth Shorter, returned to p erform some favourite numbers. On the 4th of October the residents enjoyed a concert from Betty Dodge, Singer.

In addition to this, committee member Frank Lee, with help from Derek Barr at the Fairfield Halls, has been able to arrange tickets for the Last Night at the Proms and Danny La Rue.

So all in all a busy few months.

RESIDENTS EYE UP LONDON

On the 1st October, JTC Residents went on a fabulous trip to the London Eye. Everyone who went had a wonderful day, particularly as the weather remained fair. The trip proved so popular that a second group went on the 8th October.

Thanks go to all those who helped out on the day including the staff at the London Eye.

BRIC – BRAC IS URGENTLY REQUIRED FOR THE XMAS FAYRE. PLEASE DELIVER IT DIRECT TO JAMES TERRY COURT, OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE IT COLLECTED PLEASE RING BETTY GAZELEY ON 020 8660 6067. PRIZES FOR THE TOMBOLA AND RAFFLE WOULD ALSO BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED – MANY THANKS

GET ON BOARD

If you are reading this Court Circular and you are not a 'friend' yet why not do so now? It is so easy to do and only costs £10 a year. Not only that, if you do it via a gift aid or promise to pay, we can earn that extra 23% making your membership worth £12.30.

By becoming a friend, you will receive your own copy of the Court Circular, which is sent out twice a year giving you advance notice of forthcoming events and general news about what's going on in the home, but more importantly you will be helping to improve the lives of the residents in James Terry Court.

In addition to this your money, along with that raised by the 100 plus club and the various functions held at the home, will enable us to purchase a new mini bus to replace the one currently used by the home.

If you are a life member, under the old scheme, why not consider taking up an annual membership, after all £10 a year is so very little to give, but can go such a long way.

If you would like more information, then pick up an application form directly from James Terry Court or from the Masonic Centres at Croydon, Sutton and Surbiton.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2002

** SANTA'S GROTTO **

** XMAS GOODS **

** BRIC-A-BRAC **

** LUCKY DIP **

** RAFFLE **
and lots lots

** CAKE STALL **
more to enjoy.

Doors open at 2.30pm.
Admission £1 and includes a Coffee and a mince pie.
We look forward to seeing you there.

AWARENESS WEEK

As this year's Hog Roast fell during the Freemasonry in the Community week we were also pleased to welcome representatives of Charities who were presented with cheques for money raised by Surrey Lodges.

The Surrey branch of Diabetes UK were pleased to receive a cheque for £2700 , whilst Lucy Deville from MERU, Medical Engineering Resource Unit), a Charity that specialises in helping children with special needs, accepted a cheque in the amount of £500.

The 21cc also received a cheque in the amount £250 to be passed on to The Children's Hospice, Tadworth.

And that's another fine mess you've got me in to !!!

Friends of James Terry Court Committee member Frank Lee taking a well earned rest after feeling a little bowled over at the Garden Party held to celebrate the Golden Jubilee in July !!

1765 INITIATION CEREMONY

To celebrate their 75th anniversary members of the Welcome Lodge No 5055 invite you to join them at the Masonic Halls in Surbiton for a truly memorable evening of Masonic history, rounded off with a superb six course festive board, complete with refreshments. Witness a wonderful display of the 1765 initiation ceremony with the knowledge that all of the proceeds from the charity box, the raffle and any surpluses will be going to the Friends of James Terry Court.

The date of this meeting is Thursday 15th May 2003. For tickets contact John Youldon on 020-8688-0438

BETTY IS STILL FALLING FOR DENNIS AFTER 50 YEARS !!

Yes, young Betty Gazeley, who organises all the internal entertainment in the Home, is still falling for Dennis after 50 years of marriage on 10th October. Unfortunately, falling is the operative word because Dennis tripped in the garden and Betty followed after. The result was that Betty fractured her collar bone and chipped a bone in her elbow resulting in some surgery.

However you cannot keep a good woman down. Although she is black and blue all over, her arm in a sling, she is, as the picture shows, smiling as ever. We wish her a very speedy recovery and both her and Dennis a very happy Golden Anniversary.

By John Banks, Betty's little helper !

COMMITTEE NEWS

On Monday 24th June 2002, the Friends Annual General Meeting was held at James Terry Court in the presence of the President W. Bro. John Hunter. During the meeting, the Chairman was pleased to announce that an application to become a committee member had been received from W. Bro. Barry Payne. His application was duly accepted and the Chairman welcomed Barry onto the committee. At the same time the Chairman was sorry to read out the resignation of W. Bro. Ron Everard from the committee, who is moving on to concentrate on other activities. Ron has been an invaluable member of the committee for nearly six years during which time he has been a pillar of strength. His knowledge and understanding of matters regarding licensing as well as the working and good practice of committee is second to none. More than anything though, Ron has been unceasing in his help and assistance at the various functions and events held by the friends both in and out of the home. The Chairman added that not only would both he and the committee miss a valued member, but also a good friend as well. Everyone wished him well adding that he would be sorely missed, *especially in the kitchens at James Terry Court !!*

Unfortunately, we have also lost the services of Joe Aquilina and his wife. Joe and Irene have been a tremendous help to the committee even though Joe was no longer a member of it. Between them they ran and organised most of our raffles and regularly helped out at the Bingo evenings. Again the Chairman and the whole committee wished them both well in their new life in Lincolnshire.

Ron Everard helping with dishes with other committee members after a recent function at the home.

JOHN YOULDON'S 100 PLUS

MAY

£24	No 176	Carol Nock	Lodge No 4948
£12	No 29	Kevin Lane	Lodge No 6571
£6	No 144	Ron Bone	Lodge No 5718

JUNE

£24	No 100	J.V. Hodges	Lodge No 7150
£12	No 137	Alan E.B. Mills	Lodge No 4133
£6	No 151	V. Carter	Lodge No 7097
£6	No 109	J.V. Simpson	Lodge No 7730

JULY

£24	No 71	R.H. Cannon	Lodge No 5541
£12	No 155	Mrs I White	Lodge No 5689
£6	No 163	T. Thorogood	Lodge No 6806
£6	No 6	V. E. Humphrey	Lodge No 5091

AUGUST

£24	No 139	Roger Barham	Lodge No 5396
£12	No 87	R.J. Scott	Lodge No 8783
£6	No 37	Mrs C.Burnham	Lodge No 1556
£6	No 133	Graham Page	Lodge No 3617

SEPTEMBER

£24	No 97	R. Sutton	Lodge No 4948
£12	No 53	B. Saunders	Lodge No 3938
£6	No 109	J.V. Simpson	Lodge No 7730
£6	No 95	C.J. Beauchamp	Lodge No 8814

OCTOBER

£24	No 128	Mary Bradfield	Lodge No 8141
£12	No 137	Alan E B Mills	Lodge No 4133
£6	No 80	E Freemantle	Lodge No 3037
£6	No 111	Eric Harding	Lodge No 7773

The 100 plus club is a wonderful way for you to help the Friends of James Terry Court. If you would like to join, please complete the form below and return to John Youldon at the address indicated. You can also pay on direct debit, for details, call John Youlden on 020-8688-0438.

GOOD LUCK

FRIENDS OF JAMES TERRY COURT

NEW 100 PLUS CLUB

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

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PHONE.....

LODGE.....

LODGE NUMBER .....

NO OF TICKETS .....
@ £12 each per year (12x£1)

Please make cheques payable to 'JTC 100 CLUB' and post to – JOHN YOULDON
70 BLENHEIM PARK ROAD, SOUTH CROYDON, SURREY, CR2 6BE

RESIDENTS' BIRTHDAYS

Vera Osman	01 Nov	Alice Townsend	04 Apr
Mary Eager	05 Nov	Edith Garwood	05 Apr
Joan Page	13 Nov	Edna Scott	05 Apr
William Insley	19 Nov	Winifred Arnold	08 Apr
		Ena Evans	08 Apr
Mary Jennings	03 Dec	Thomas Sheppard	09 Apr
Freda Hillier	15 Dec	Constance Robotham	14 Apr
Kate Payne	22 Dec	Mabel Cosstick	18 Apr
Mollie Polley	31 Dec	Olive Buckland	19 Apr
		Ernest Simner	21 Apr
Freda Lucy Harris	03 Jan	Emma Halden	29 Apr
Edward Young	03 Jan		
Clara Fairbrass	03 Feb		
Rose Clark	16 Feb		
Lewis Wood	02 Mar		
Rose Rolf	14 Mar		
Reginald James	15 Mar		

All of the members of the Friends Committee as well as the staff at James Terry Court wish all of these residents a very HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOTICE BOARD

The Home Manager would be very pleased to hear from anybody that is able to drive the Home's mini-bus. This will involve taking residents to various places on day trips & shopping excursions. If you are able to help, please contact Gill Khalighi on 020-8688-1745

If your Lodge would like more insight into the work that the Friends of James Terry Court, then please contact us and we will arrange a Lodge visit to come and talk to your members about how we work and how your Lodge could become more involved.

Betty Gazeley is always on the look out for musical groups or entertainers who could come into the home and perform for the resident's. If you are a member of such a group, or can offer some entertainment, then please contact Betty Gazeley on 020 8660 6067.

Finally and once again, the editor would like to thank Plus Five for printing this Court Circular. If you have any printing requirements then call Guy Walker on 020-8650-2255. Plus Five are based in Beckenham.