THE FRIENDS OF JAMES TERRY COURT

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SUMMER FETE

Steer your way to James Terry Court this summer and you could be driving off in a new **RENAULT CLIO.**

That's right, you could win yourself a brand new car, courtesy of the Friends of James Terry Court.

FOR ILLUSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY

To qualify for this terrific prize all you have to do is buy a ticket to our Summer Fete, being held in the beautiful gardens of James Terry Court on **Sunday 8th June 2003.**

Those of you who have been to the Summer Fete before will know that it is packed with stalls selling a variety of items, as well as raffles, tombolas, games and of course a bouncy castle for the children. There will be a licensed bar selling cool refreshing drinks, tea, coffee and cakes will also be available in the dining room.

It all kicks off at 2pm, with The Grand Opening, but unless you buy a ticket you won't get a chance to win the star prize.

So come on, it only costs £1, and the odds of winning are much better than the National Lottery, so it really could be you, driving off in a **BRAND NEW CAR.**

Good Luck. !

BY ROYAL APPOINTMENT

Wednesday March 26th, and I was picking up John Hunter, President of the Friends and his wife Norah Hunter, Friends Committee member, at 8.30am to take them to Buckingham Palace. It was Norah's big day as she was to receive an MBE from Her Majesty The Queen for services to the Voluntary Sector, and she looked resplendent in her outfit, complete with hat, on a day that she would regard as possibly the culmination of a lifetime given to charitable causes.

Let me give you an insight into that charity work. Norah has helped to run the Croydon Darby & Joan club for more years than she cares to remember, and her award is in recognition for that work. With husband John, she was a founder member of the Friends of James Terry Court, with John being the Chairman for 17 years, and Norah still on the committee today. She appears absolutely tireless in the amount of work that she gets through, and is most certainly not backward in coming forward. Her experience and opinions are much respected both by myself, and the rest of the committee. Unfortunately, any award I could give Norah would never match what she would receive from the Queen.

Anyway, back to the big day. Once we had arrived and were inside the Palace, Norah was led away, John, his sister and I were seated in the magnificent ballroom. Her Majesty, dressed in a pale blue dress, arrived on the stroke of 11am and duly passed out the awards, including the MBE to Norah. Outside in the grounds we managed to see one of the official photographers, and Norah included me in one of the photos, for which I was most grateful.

On leaving the Palace we drove to the New Cavendish Club for a splendid lunch with Norah's friends to celebrate not only her award but also her Diamond wedding anniversary. After lunch it was back home for a rest and then more celebrations.

I only need now to once more offer my congratulations and say a big thank you to Norah for a wonderful day, in what has been a month that she will never forget.

Peter Kendall, Chairman, Friends Committee.

BURNS DAY

by John Banks

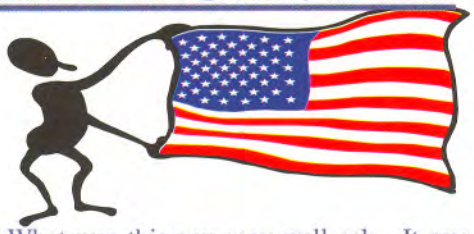
Following the success of last year the hunt went on for a piper to pipe in the Haggis. Tamesa Lodge found W. Bro. George Reid who was superb. He not only played in the Dining Room, but also went to the care wing and played along the corridors to those residents not able to join in the festivities. He then, having disentangled himself from the bagpipes, visited every resident in the care wing for a short chat.

On his return to the dining room, he played some more, particularly to the ladies, kneeling to them and playing at the same time – not easy in full Highland Dress! For his finale, in his own words, 'this is for all you non-jocks' he played 'Daisy-Daisy, give me your answer do' on the bagpipes. Superb! Come back again next year please.

The Traditional meal was served and after lunch we had a singalong and then 'Scottish Bingo' – no prizes ! Only joking really. With St Andrew's flag bunting around the room and the tables decorated accordingly we think we did old Robbie proud.

AMERICAN DAY

by John Banks



What was this you may well ask. It was an idea for another one of our theme days that we try and hold once a month. Our catering colleagues came up with a menu of Chicken Maryland with Corn Fritters followed by a pudding which you would normally only dream about – Chocolate Brownie with Vanilla Ice Cream on top and smothered with warm chocolate sauce. The phrase 'a moment on the lips, a lifetime on the hips' came to mind and was instantly dismissed! It was absolutely delicious.

For the entertainment theme we thought of many ideas, until someone suggested 'Las Vegas'. Well a casino environment at the very least. Roulette was suggested. I never thought it would be so much fun! The residents entered into the spirit of the event with gusto. We were only playing for points and started off cautiously, but once the confidence was gained and once they knew they were against the banker (me) they were out to break the Bank with a form of enthusiasm I had not encountered until that afternoon ! Mrs Garwood was the final winner and I'm off to read the rules again!

PENNY FOR THE GUY !

Well not quite, but we did have a few sparklers !. The Residents, having decided that they did not want a Hallowe'en party instead requested a Firework Party, 'like wot we 'ad in our own back yard in the good old days'.

So on the 9th November we arranged a firework display in the garden of the home with residents watching from every available window in all of the lounges and the dining room. Relatives and friends were invited and a supper of Tomato soup, Jacket potatoes and mulled wine was served. It was a dry night and not too cold fortunately as some of the residents, not wanting to miss a thing, decided to sit outside and were provided with blankets to keep warm.

An artificial bonfire was set up, complete with a guy made by some of the residents (I wondered where my coat went !) and was lit electrically, by a 60 watt bulb. This signaled the commencement of the pyrotechnics consisting of mainly Roman Candles, Fountains and Catherine Wheels which were placed strategically in three different parts of the garden and lit in tandem so as to give a continuous display.

WEB SITE LAUNCHED

The Friends Committee is pleased to announce that we will soon be launching the Friends of James Terry Court Web Site.

The web site will carry information about recent and forthcoming events taking place at the Home, as well as details on how to become a member of the Friends or an Individual or Lodge Patron. There will also be an interesting piece about the history of James Terry Court.

The address to visit the Web Site is
www.foitc.org

If you have any suggestions on how we can improve the web site please contact W. Bro. Paul Crockett on 020 8249 3148.

A.G.M.

The Friends Committee will be holding their AGM on Monday 23rd June 2002 at 8pm. The meeting will be held at James Terry Court. All Friends of JTC are welcome to attend. If you wish to nominate someone to join the committee, please complete the enclosed form and return it to G.A. Page, Norton, Fir Tree Grove, Carshalton Beeches, Surrey, SM5 4NG.

SPECIAL NOTICE

With the Summer Fete fast approaching, Betty Gazeley would be very pleased to receive any bric-a-brac to sell on the Friends Stall. If you have any then please call Betty on 020 8660 6067. Thankyou.

BETTY GAZELEY'S
RESIDENTS ENTERTAINMENT

Once again I have been fortunate in being able to provide a varied and exciting array of entertainment for the Residents enjoyment. Back to October and on the 14th of that month we were delighted by the return of an old favourite of ours, Tony's Tune Factory.

Then in November we welcomed a trio of new acts to the home. On the 15th a duo by the name of Smooth Velvet and made up of a singer and a pianist came in and gave a terrific show, we look forward to seeing them again soon. Then on the 19th we were lucky enough to have another new artist, a singer by the name of Glen Hayes. The month was rounded off on the 29th by Jenny Maynard, who performed songs and impressions to the delight of the audience.

December and aside from the usual Christmas Entertainment and events (see below) we were visited on the 13th by Sandra Winter who performed a very seasonal Christmas programme. Smooth Velvet made a welcome return on the 19th and then on the 20th of December the residents enjoyed a Pantomime – Cinderella – especially the audience participation.

The New Year came along and with it on the 3rd of January a singer by the name of Anna Golden. The residents were further entertained that month by another singer, Jeff Wayne, who performed on the 20th.

In February we were delighted to see a return to the home by one of our Patrons, The Croydon Stagers, who put on a terrific show, as they always do. March brought to us another new act, Barry Daniels. Barry performed songs, told some jokes as well as doing a few impressions.

In addition to all of this John Banks holds his ever popular monthly sing-a-long, with bingo also being held every Tuesday Night.

Naturally I would like to thank all of the acts and artists who have given their time to come to James Terry Court and entertain the residents. It really does make a difference and is truly appreciated by all of us.

A FEW THANKYOUS

It goes without saying that the work the Friends do could not be done without the support of many individuals, Lodges and organisations, who not only give their time but also their money.
The Friends committee thought that we should say a big thankyou to everyone who has made a donation in one form or another, including the following, Pen and Brush Lodge No 2909 who have donated nearly £3000, Three Pillars Lodge No 7892, who are just short of £4000 and over 270 other Lodges, Chapters and other orders as well as non Masonic groups. This is in addition to all those individuals who have made donations and whom are Patrons or members of the Friends Association. There are simply too many to mention here, but each penny that is donated is put directly to improve the lives of the residents and is fully appreciated by them.
If you would like more information about how you can become a member or Patron, or how your Lodge can become a Patron, then please contact the Friends Committee at James Terry Court.

CHRISTMAS REVIEW

Once again Christmas was a busy time at James Terry Court, with the staff and the Friends Committee working hard to entertain the residents.
We kicked of with the Christmas Fayre at the beginning of December. There were all the usual festive stalls as well a visit by Santa who gave out gifts in his grotto. The whole day was a great success and raised just over £2000.
Next there was the annual Christmas Lunch at the Croydon Masonic Halls. Our thanks go the staff at the Masonic Halls for all their help. Back at the home, the residents were treated to an evening of Carol Singing. On Christmas morning, Santa Claus made a return visit and gave out presents to all of the residents.
So once again, everyone at James Terry Court had a jolly good festive season and a peaceful New Year.

HOG ROAST 2003

Announcing the 4th annual Hog Roast on

Saturday 21st June 2003

In the tranquil setting of the
James Terry Court Garden.

Come and enjoy some fantastic food, have a drink and relax with your friends, whilst listening to some live music.

Tickets are priced at only £11

The price includes hot, spit roasted Pork, served with steaming hot potatoes, salad and of course apple sauce, followed by a fabulous array of desserts.

For your refreshment there will be a licensed bar at club prices.

If you would like to come along, please contact **Betty Gazeley on 020 8660 6067 or John Banks on 020 8641 5492** and they will be pleased to send you some tickets.

Don't forget to buy your tickets for the Summer Fete – you could win a new car!

JOHN YOULDON'S 100 PLUS CLUB

NOVEMBER			
£24	No 111	Eric Harding	Lodge No 7776
£12	No 64	Raymond C Horton	Lodge No 3809
£6	No 127	Phyllis Hansell	JTC Resident
£6	No 120	F.R. Williams	Lodge No 1892
DECEMBER – SUPER DRAW			
£48	No 61	Jacqueline Everard	Lodge No 5091
£48	No 109	J.V. Simpson	Lodge No 7730
£24	No 28	Patrick L Maloy	Lodge No 8783
£24	No 75	Eric Wilmot	Lodge No 5766
£24	No 64	Raymond C Horton	Lodge No 3809
£24	No 123	Mrs E Lamb	Lodge No 6571
£24	No 83	Roy Masterman	Lodge No 8783
£24	No 18	Yvonne Johnson	Lodge No 8783
£12	No 7	F.W. Burgess	Lodge No 3968
£12	No 106	E. J. H. Robinson	Lodge No 2769
£12	No 36	K.E. Nash	Lodge No 5578
£12	No 74	Dr C. S. E. Gifford	Lodge No 162
£12	No 71	R. H. Cannon	Lodge No 5541
£12	No 21	D. G. Rogers	Lodge No 5838
£6	No 155	Mrs I. White	Lodge No 5689
£6	No 2	John Youldon	Lodge No 5055
£6	No 8	F.W. Burgess	Lodge No 3968
£6	No 48	Mrs Hilda Wadham	Lodge No 720
£6	No 168	I. Wybrow	Lodge No 5005
£6	No 130	Marg Langford	JTC Resident
JANUARY			
£24	No 64	Raymond C. Horton	Lodge No 3809
£12	No 126	Margaret Bunker	Lodge No 6571
£6	No 84	G. Alexander	Lodge No 6571
£6	No 71	R.H. Cannon	Lodge No 5541
FEBRUARY			
£24	No 162	Alan E.B. Mills	Lodge No 4133
£12	No 93	Mrs Gill May	JTC Resident
£6	No 7	F.W. Burgess	Lodge No 3968
£6	No 114	J.V. Hodges	Lodge No 7150
MARCH			
£24	No 146	John Gregory	Lodge No 3938
£12	No 10	Roy Arnold	Lodge No 5100
£6	No 112	Robert Barter	Lodge No 8783
£6	No 47	Mrs Hilda Wadham	Lodge No 720
APRIL			
£24	No 108	Eric A. Wilmot	Lodge No 5766
£12	No 119	Mrs C. A. Williams	Lodge No 1892
£6	No 83	Roy Masterman	Lodge No 8783
£6	No 111	Eric Harding	Lodge No 7776

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 call John Youldon on 020-8688-0438.

DIARY

Welcome Lodge No 5055 1765 Initiation Ceremony in aid of JTC Thursday 15th May 2003

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Summer Fete Sunday 8th June 2003

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The Friends Committee AGM Monday 23rd June 2003

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Hog Roast Saturday 21st June 2003

RESIDENTS' BIRTHDAYS

10th May	Mrs P.D. King
10th May	Mr R Evans
10th May	Miss J A Wheeler
14th May	Miss I M Gibbins
9th June	Mrs M Cassidy
9th June	Mrs C Sweet
10th June	Mrs Langford
12th June	Mr G Norman
2nd July	Mr K.J. Jones
5th July	Mrs M Rodda
15th July	Miss O L Kendall
18th July	Miss P Hansell
24th July	Mr Greenwood
31st July	Mrs A Parker
1st August	Mrs S P Clothier
7th August	Mrs P Collins
23rd August	Mrs I Perry
10th Sept	Mr A Allo
10th Sept	Mrs J King
11th Sept	Mrs M H Wilson
21st Sept	Mrs J Sly
22nd Sept	Mrs L W Bishop
28th Sept	Mrs G P Davis
6th October	Mrs E Blackburn
8th October	Mr F Simpson
15th October	Mr G Pettman
30th October	Mrs Florey

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

NOTICE BOARD

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

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

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.

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

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