

# court circular

## The Friends of James Terry Court

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## SUMMER FETE 2006

On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June, the Friends of James Terry Court were once again delighted to host the Summer Fete in the magnificent gardens of the home. Fortunately we were lucky enough to be bathed in glorious sunshine throughout the whole afternoon. As the day went on more and more people made their way through the gates to enjoy an afternoon of fun and games, whilst enjoying some light refreshments and browsing amongst the many stalls selling many different items.

The Fete was officially opened by newly installed Provincial Grand Master of Surrey, R.W. Bro. Eric Stuart-Bamford, pictured opposite with W. Bro. Chris Caine, RMBI, W.Bro. Mike Yalden, Dep.GM., W. Bro. Peter Kendall, chair of the Friends Committee and Bro. Alan Gibbon, dressed in a Monks Habit and member of Archbishop Tenison Lodge No 5163. Bro. Gibbon has recently completed a sponsored walk, dressed as a monk, and the Friends were delighted to welcome him and receive from him a donation



in the amount of £1045. You can see a full report of Bro. Gibbon's walk on the Friends web site, [www.fojtc.org](http://www.fojtc.org).

Amongst the many attractions were Don Howie's putting game, Anne Campbell's beautiful flower stall, John and Julie Banks' games stall, Shirley Park Lodge's Wild West Frontier, the Friends Bric-a-brac run by Betty Gazeley as well as stalls run by the Surrey Masonic Widows' Association and many more.

Also present were firemen from the Croydon fire station. They ran a competition for one lucky person to sit in the cab of the fire engine and turn on the 'twos and blues'. The winner of the draw was 14 year old Dale, pictured here sitting in the hot seat. Our thanks go to the Croydon Fire Service for their support of the Fete.

As the afternoon drew to a close the annual Grand Prize draw was made. The winning ticket receiving a £500 first prize, with the second and third prize winners receiving £200 and £100 respectively. This year's first prize was won by Mr J. Grosse.

Of course the whole point of the Summer Fete, and in fact every function organised by the Friends, aside from having a fun time, is to

raise funds for the Home. At the time of going to press we were still waiting for the exact figure raised at this year's Fete, but it is sure to be in line with previous years and that means a figure in the region of £11,000.

Well done everyone who helped with setting up the Fete, those who ran stalls and those who attended and supported the event. We look forward to the next Summer Fete.





## DOUBLE CELEBRATION

What a happy occasion and one that is very rare at James Terry Court, but one that has happened twice since our last edition. Two couples have had the joy of celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Firstly on 26th July Malcolm and Pat Hamilton celebrated their 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Malcolm has been a resident at the Home for 18 months with his wife, Pat, a daily visitor. As a young man, Malcolm flew Lancasters during World War Two and was part of the Dam Busters Expedition. Pat also played an active part in the blitz by driving ambulances. Malcolm, who is a member of Croham Hurst Lodge, and Pat are pictured here (top right) on the day of their anniversary.



Following this, on the 18<sup>th</sup> October, Reg and Ena Evans also celebrated their 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. And this isn't the first special anniversary that Reg and Ena have celebrated in an RMBI Home. It was at Harewood Court in Eastbourne where they celebrated 50 years together, and then at Albert Edward, Prince of Wales Court, Porthcawl where they had there 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Reg, whose mother Lodge is Heath Park No 5058 (Essex) and is a member of The Good Neighbour Lodge, and Ena moved to James Terry Court in 2002. They are pictured (bottom right) with their son, Graham and daughter in law, Susan.



The staff, residents and Friends offer hearty congratulations to both couples on reaching this most special anniversary.

## RESIDENT'S ENTERTAINMENT

Since the winter/spring edition of the Court Circular, we have been pleased to welcome a host of entertainers to the Home. These include Harry Jackson, Jenny Maynard, Glen Hayes, Richard Green, Jeff Wayne, Anna Golden, Tricia Court, Marie Kelly, Victoria Yellop, Carol Wells and David Carter.



We were also delighted to once again have Victoria Yellop come and entertain us. Victoria is a great favourite with the residents and also at Duke of Kent Court, Chislehurst. Victoria is a very talented violinist and has played all over the UK. She played for us in September, having just returned from a summer season. On more that one occasion Victoria has been invited by HRH Prince Charles to play at St James's Palace. She was also invited to play at the Horse of the Year Show at Olympia for

the Queen's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration. This was a difficult assignment as she had to play for a dressage, as she laughingly told us, it had to be 100 per cent correct, as

otherwise it would have confused the horse!

Victoria comes from a theatrical family. Her father, Jeff Wayne, is always in demand with his Irish charm and comedy, and Jackie Simmonds her mother who is an ex Tiller Girl. Both Jeff and Jackie have also performed for the residents at James Terry Court.

In addition to having performers and entertainment provided in the home, the Friends Committee have also arranged for trips to the Theatre. Coming up soon will be a trip to the Fairfield Halls to see this year's Pantomime.

The committee once again thank Betty Gazeley, John Banks and Frank Lee for organising this entertainment for the residents, as well as the other committee members and the James Terry Court staff who assist them.



## CHANGES TO COURT CIRCULAR

Dear Friends, since taking over as the editor of the Court Circular, way back in 1999, I have continually striven to update the look and content of the publication. Of course much has changed and with the launch of the FOJTC web site earlier this year, news and reports are now available at the push of a button. Obviously the speed in which I can currently get information to you in the form of the Court Circular, is restricted by the fact that we only publish twice yearly. We would like to increase this number but find that we are restricted by the cost of producing the Court Circular in its current format.

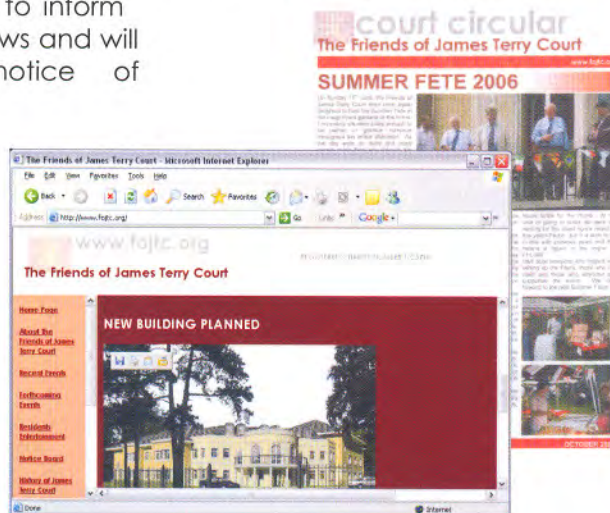
Therefore, we are intending to change the Court Circular to an A4 publication but will produce three, and sometimes four editions per year. This will give us more opportunity to inform you of updates and news and will give you better notice of forthcoming events.

The change to the Court Circular comes hand in hand with the new look web site which, over the past few weeks we have been extensively updated. The information that is included on the

Web Site is meant to compliment that found in the Court Circular, but will be more up to date as it can be changed as and when we need to. In addition to the latest news and information you can also download Application forms for the 100plus club, as well as forms to become a patron or member of the association of Friends.

Another benefit of the website is that you can email us with any information or news items that you think would be of interest to the Association of Friends. There are also links to all the main Masonic Web sites and information about the history of James Terry Court and the Friends.

We hope you will find that the new Court Circular will be more able to keep you informed particularly when backed up by the Friends Web Site. However, we would welcome any comments that you may have.



## COMMITTEE NEWS

The Friends Committee were very sad to see the departure of one member and one long time supporter recently.

Firstly the Friends Almoner and Vice Chairman of the Committee, W. Bro. Roger Thompson has decided to move on after 12 years on the Friends Committee. He joined the committee in 1994, and became the Vice Chair in 1997. Roger has always been an enthusiastic and committed member and was always happy to put on his Red Coat and carry out the Toast Master duties at the Friends Ladies Night.

Roger will certainly be missed by the residents and staff at James Terry Court and of course by the members of the committee.

Also departed is W. Bro. John Youldon. John has run the hugely successful 100plus club since 1997. The club has been a regular source of income for the Friends, raising over £1000 a year. John could always be found at the Summer Fete selling membership. Well done John, for all your hard work and good luck to his successor, W. Bro. Peter Watters, who has now taken over in John's stead.

The committee wish both Roger and John well and hope that they will pop in and visit the home from time to time.

## LODGE DONATION

Obviously no one likes to hear of a Lodge having to close and hand in its Warrant. The Friends were therefore very sad to hear that this was in fact the case for Ewell Lodge No 1851, a Lodge that was consecrated in 1879.

As long term supporters of the Friends, their contributions will be sadly missed. However, even as the Lodge was closing, the members' thoughts turned to James Terry Court, and thanks to a very generous donation of £4395, the Friends have been able to purchase 4 specialist beds for the nursing wing, ensuring the memory of Ewell Lodge No 1851 will continue for many years to come.

A big thanks to the members of Ewell Lodge 1879.

# CHRISTMAS FAYRE

## SATURDAY 25 NOV '06

## 2.30PM - 4.30PM

Admission £1 includes Coffee and a Mince Pie



## 100 PLUS CLUB

|     |     |        |                   |
|-----|-----|--------|-------------------|
| MAY | £24 | No 21  | D G Rogers        |
|     | £12 | No 129 | Dot Lee           |
|     | £6  | No 96  | Ian Johnson       |
|     | £6  | No 135 | Barry Northmore   |
| JUN | £24 | No 159 | David Ford        |
|     | £12 | No 73  | Ronald West       |
|     | £6  | No 7   | F W Burgess       |
|     | £6  | No 125 | Mrs V E McCann    |
| JUL | £24 | No 24  | John Banks        |
|     | £12 | No 80  | E Freemantle      |
|     | £6  | No 162 | Mrs P E Cannon    |
|     | £6  | No 48  | Mrs Hilda Wadham  |
| AUG | £24 | No 24  | John Banks        |
|     | £12 | No 81  | R. Freemantle     |
|     | £6  | No 116 | Margo Lomas       |
|     | £6  | No 130 | Margo Lomas       |
| SEP | £24 | No 152 | E. Stuart-Bamford |
|     | £12 | No 35  | Mrs Betty Gazeley |
|     | £6  | No 42  | Mrs Hompson       |
|     | £6  | No 124 | Mrs Cannon        |

**If you would like to join the 100 Club, then please contact W.Bro. Peter Watters at 47 Mansfield Road, South Croydon, CR2 6HP. Telephone number 020 8681 2741**

## RESIDENTS BIRTHDAYS

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Mrs Pauline Turner    | 04 November |
| Mrs Mary Eager        | 05 November |
| Mrs Elizabeth Farrow  | 14 November |
| Mrs Constance Brown   | 15 November |
| Mr Ernest McLean      | 19 November |
| Mrs Gladys Roberts    | 23 November |
| Mrs Joan Adams        | 24 November |
| Mrs Mary Jennings     | 03 December |
| Mr Norman Eustace     | 04 December |
| Mrs Kate Payne        | 22 December |
| Mrs Winifred Bailey   | 24 December |
| Mrs Dorothy Churchman | 31 December |
| Mr Malcolm Hamilton   | 31 January  |
| Mr Tom Green          | 16 February |
| Mrs Isabella Gilmore  | 21 February |
| Mrs Hilda Foulser     | 23 February |
| Mrs Giovannina Amato  | 23 February |
| Mrs Doris Eustace     | 23 March    |
| Mrs Ruby Ives         | 31 March    |
| Mrs Ena Evans         | 08 April    |
| Mr John Steele        | 16 April    |
| Mrs Elizabeth Harding | 16 April    |
| Mrs Olive Buckland    | 19 April    |
| Mr Ernest Simner      | 21 April    |
| Mr Bertrum Bradberry  | 24 April    |

**The Staff at James Terry Court and the Friends wish all of the above a very Happy Birthday.**

## FRIENDS NOTICE BOARD

The Friends Committee are keen to offer their services to Lodges who would be interested in receiving a talk about the work of the Friends and the RMBI. If you would like more information about receiving a Lodge talk, then please contact the Friends Secretary, W. Bro. Graham Page on 020 8647 5012 and the necessary arrangements can be made.

If you have received more than one copy of this Court Circular, please let the editor W. Bro. Paul Crockett know by contacting him on 020 8249 3148 and he will update the address list to ensure that your name and address only appear once. Many thanks for your help in this matter

**LODGE REPRESENTATIVES OPEN DAY**

The Friends Committee are pleased to announce that there will be an open day at the Home for all Lodge Representatives to attend. This will give those brethren a chance to have a look around the home and ask any questions about the works of the Home and the Friends. There will be a short presentation by the Friends Committee.

The open day will take place on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2007. More details will be sent to Lodge Representatives shortly.

**THE FRIENDS OF JAMES TERRY COURT**

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