

James Terry

Court Circular

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There is an important reminder on the last page of this issue, about our Christmas Bazaar on 20 November. Important because this is our main fund-raising event for the season: on its success depends the strength of our efforts to give the Residents the best possible Christmas.

Important too because in the August edition, I typed the wrong telephone number for Norah Hunter, causing much confusion to would-be helpers. My apologies; the correct version is included this time.

The Friends have bought a new hoist to assist staff in lifting Residents who are unable to raise themselves, perhaps after a fall, an inevitable occurrence even amongst our sprightly folk. This is the second hoist bought recently, the other enabling a more comfortable bath-time for Residents and less strain on the staff.

This Autumn has been noteworthy for special birthday parties, all of which were celebrated with particular style. Two 90ths, Mrs Ord and Mr Allo fell on successive days in September; both have asked that their thanks be given to all who made the occasion special, to both Staff (especially Sandra's birthday cakes) and Friends.

Most noteworthy, though, must be our first Centenarian, Louise Rogers. September 22nd was the special day, with delivery of the Queen's telegram; a visit, with flowers, from Croydon's Deputy Mayor Cllr Averil Slipper (who took time not only to meet Mrs Rogers but also talked with many other Residents, saw over the Home and recorded her delight at all she saw); Sandra's cake and most importantly Louise's daughter and two grandchildren who travelled all the way from the USA to mark the occasion.

Louise Rogers writes: "To all the Friends of James Terry Court, thank you very much for your gift and good wishes on my birthday. I had a wonderful day and thoroughly enjoyed it and feel very proud to be your first 100-year-old. The care and friendship shown to us in this Home helps such a lot, I am very happy to be here. Thank you also for the many treats you plan for us. I am sure we all enjoy them."

Are you a member of the 100-plus Club? No, not your age (do we have any centenarians amongst the Friends?), rather the fund-raising club run by Arthur Wadham. It has to be one of the most effective individual ways of producing money for James Terry Court. Not only effective, but almost a pleasure to join, since there are prizes to be won every week. To date they have given £5,571 to JTC, a magnificent effort being added to all the time, so if you would like to help in this way, call Arthur on 081-648 5216.

John Hunter reports that invitations to Lodges and Chapters are now coming in for Residents, following an earlier dearth, but do keep them rolling. Contact John through Matron at JTC, to ensure an equitable distribution.

Norah Hunter needs more help with the ever-popular Bingo sessions. You do not have to be an experienced "caller", though that would help. Bodies are wanted to assist some Residents in marking their cards, checking them and the like. The time is 6.30 until 7.45 p.m. on Tuesday evenings, so if you would like to help, call Norah on 081-680 9852.

Melvyn Danciger reports that there are 667 members of The Friends of James Terry Court, of whom 534 are Life Members. We list 196 Lodge Representatives, nearly all in Surrey. However there is some doubt about records of membership and representatives: is our list accurate? There is a tear-off form on the next page; please use it together with the Freepost envelope, to help us update our computerised lists. Do be sure to return them; it is ridiculous that we should pay the Post Office 19p to deliver to addresses that are not right, or to people no longer wishing to be Friends or Lodge Representatives.

Together with this Court Circular is a copy of a Short History of James Terry Court which your Editor had the pleasure of preparing, with the co-operation of James Terry Court, John and Norah Hunter and the Croydon Reference Library. It was a fascinating exercise, but I am sure there is much more that could have been included. Please let me know if vital facts have been left out; there is bound to be a later edition in the future.

Please note that there is a Fax number for JTC at the head of this Circular. The other number shown is one for the office at JTC.

BIRTHDAYS

The following Residents have their birthdays in the coming months. Friends are invited to send them a card, especially if a birthday coincides with your own:

DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY
8th: Mrs F M Barker	17th: Mrs L I Walker	1st: Mrs N Mee
12th: Mrs J W Bell	18th: Mrs E Hutchings	16th: Mrs I N Pym
25th: Mr E N Brown		
31st: Mrs G Goodby		

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

10 - 12.00 a.m. 20 November 1993

JAMES TERRY COURT
51 Warham Road
South Croydon

STALLS, RAFFLES, COFFEE, TEA
Meet our Residents and Staff

Plenty of parking for cars

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We need volunteers on the day, to run stalls, sell raffle tickets and help with setting up and taking down. We need stock to sell: bric-a-brac, bottles, home-made cakes, buns, garden produce. Prizes for raffles are welcome.

Contact Norah Hunter on 081-680 9852

Please tear off and return, using the enclosed FREEPOST envelope.

It is some considerable time since we have been able to update our mailing list, and we are concerned that all our Friends are receiving their copies of the Court Circular. Over the years many of our Friends have moved house, or had their postcode changed and in some cases we have not been notified. The result of this is that it is both wasteful in postage and a disappointment to some of our Friends who are missing out on receiving news about all our activities. We would therefore like to confirm our records and ask you to return the completed form below:

Mr/Mrs/Ms _____
First Names _____ Surname _____
Address: _____

_____ Post Code: _____

Lodge No: _____ (if applicable)

Would you like to be a JTC Lodge Rep? Yes / No

Would you like to join the JTC Friends Committee? Yes / No