







For many National Boards of our member countries, the circle is almost rounded....another Agora year is nearly finished.

Hopefully you as board members can look back on a wonderful, inspirational and fun filled year, where you achieved the goals you set, and helped the new boards to make plans for the future.

TARGETS FOR THE FUTURE might be :

- ✓ Increase membership
- ✓ Charter new clubs
- ✓ Help new member countries towards their Charter
- ✓ Look at local needs and help where you can
- Do not forget ECPAT, (y)our international service project.

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The financial support will be derived from the sale of the pins of the international president and of course it would be great if our Agora member countries and their local clubs could make a donation to support this project too.

## Some ideas :

- > Sale of your national presidents' pir
- > Organize an afternoon tea, a party
- Organise an evening with an interesting speaker and invite friends and family.
- > Etc etc...

Let us know what you organised, and we will report on your projects in the next newsletter.



Proceeds for this wonderful and valuable project can be transferred to the International Agora account, and we will make a complete transfer to the ECPAT project at the end of this Agora year 2010-2012. (When you transfer a donation don't forget to add your club or country's name)

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The ECPAT power point shown during the ACI AGM in Tallinn can be found on the website under "International Service Project" – an idea for your National AGM's ?

Snif snif....the Agora girls forgot about me... snif...no reports from the countries this month...

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No worries... maybe for our next newsletter?



# Tales from the Jung Q

Dear ladies and friends,

Hello from Johannesburg!

Well another wonderful month for me.

My youngest daughter Lyndell turned 30 this past weekend and her partner Michael surprised her with a *marriage proposal* !!!

This photo are of the two of them last Sunday on her birthday, with my Dad, and it was also Mother's day in South Africa.

So lots to celebrate! And the RING!



I also went with the two of them yesterday to see the scan of the baby. Very special, all is well and it is 90% sure that the baby is a little girl. Someone for Amy to play with, when she comes to South Africa from Canada?

At the end of this month we will be celebrating our National Agora AGM along with Ladies Circle South Africa, which promise to be a fun filled weekend away!

To all of you having AGMs over the next few weeks enjoy them and the friendship.

**ENJOY** 

Love, *Nikkie* 

# AGM TC/41 in GB & Fancy Evening Report May 2011



The British Tangent Ladies and 41 Tablers have a very special way to celebrate their AGM: "Official Evening" on Friday and "Fancy Evening" on Saturday. It was rather funny: about 300 people in dresses of the near or far east in good mood were dancing to fantiastic music. They have a competition, too, who has the best costume? With three couples we took part in our pyjamas/kimonos dancing Lambada! We didn't win the first price but we got a lot of applause!

## VEERLE'S TALE

There are plenty of good reasons to go to the South of France : nice weather, beautiful nature, lovely food ... And when moreover a friend invites you , you do not hesitate : You just go!

So when Isabelle Séguinot, president of Agora Club Hyères in the South of France (and a good friend from Ladies'Circle days) sent out the invitation to a ralley "In the footsteps of Queen Victoria" in her hometown on the weekend 7 and 8 May , I decided to join them. And it turned out to be a super weekend!



With Isabelle and Martine Monzo





Climbing stairways in the old town

Agora Club Hyères



After a spectacular walk on the cliffs on Saturday, we started early on Sunday for a 5-hours walking ralley that took the participants around the beautiful town of Hyères, an absolutely lovely old town filled with history, beautiful architecture, spectacular views and romantic parks. We had to solve questions, find clues to pass checkpoints (where we had to perform some fun tests like juggling, pingpong etc), dig into the history to finally end up high above Hyères on the ruins of the old castle where a lovely picnic awaited us. The whole day was perfectly organized with a good balance of culture, fun and sport. Congratulations to the whole team of Agora Club Hyères!!

If you'd like to send some wishes to the AC Countries for their AGM's, here are the dates and the email addresses of the national presidents :

AGENDA NATIONAL AGM'S (AC Switzerland and AC Tanaent Germany already done)

- 28/05/2011 : AC South Africa
- 04/06/2011 : AC France
- 04/06/2011 : AC Zambia
- 11/06/2011 : AC Italy
- 11/06/2011 : AC USA
- 16/06/2011 : AC Israel
- 25/06/2011 : AC Belgium
- ? /06/2011 : AC Romania
- 27/08/2011 : AC Estonia

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- 02/10/2011 : AGORA CLUB INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE Cesena Italy



We wish you wonderful AGM's full of FUN and FRIENDSHIP! (and some work (2))

As I wrote on the First page of this newsletter May is all about new beginnings.

## **AND ALSO FOR AGORA CLUB!**

So think about the start of the new Agora year with the ACI conference in Cesena – Italy From 03/09/2011 – 02/10/2011 PLEASE USE THE REGISTRATION FORM - WHICH YOU CAN FIND ON OUR WEBSITE !



Dear friends, don't forget to send in your reports for the next newsletter by the 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2011

Thank you! *Veerle*, your ACI secretary xxx