



Welcome to our first newsletter of 2007. We're looking forward to introducing many more manufacturers this year and keeping you updated on new and exciting ranges, which will be available through The Official Puzzle Club. If there's something you would like to see in our range do let us know and we'll do our best to find / introduce it / them!

THE OFFICIAL UK PUZZLE CLUB

Introducing Trefl a well known Polish Company

Trefl Group have been producing jigsaw puzzle, educational games and playing cards for over 20 years and are the biggest Polish producer of these products. Each year they sell over 5 million in Poland, south-east Europe, Canada and United States. Their extensive range of puzzles is also popular in Germany, United Kingdom, Turkey and many other countries.

Trefl puzzles are produced in the north of Poland in the port town of Gdynia, with the head office in the idyllic seaside resort of Sopot, which is famous for having the longest wooden pier in Europe.

Trefl is a licensee of the major entertainment and toy companies such as The Walt Disney Company, Warner Bros, Mattel and others. In 2006 they also obtained the Ferrari license and at the beginning of 2007 will be releasing a series of exclusive Ferrari Puzzles.

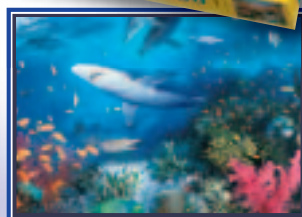
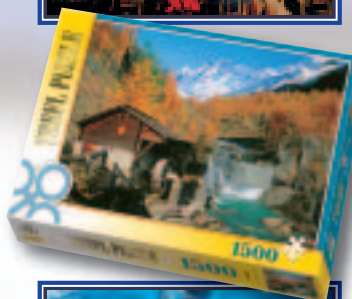
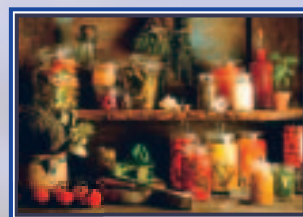
The product range contains far more than just standard puzzles – Visual Echo™ is a unique technology that gives a full illusion of depth in the picture. Created with up to 12 layered images, each picture bursts with fantastic 3D figures of children's favourite characters such as Barbie, Winnie the Pooh and many others. Their latest novelties are Magic Puzzles that display 3 different pictures depending on the way you look at it. So far there have been 60 designs of these 3D puzzles released.

Standard puzzles have been their trademark for over 20 years. Today there are over 500 designs in many categories – starting with 2 piece Baby Puzzles to 3000 piece Art masters collection. Landscapes, cars, favourite fairy-tales, pets, famous buildings, Museum, Cartography, Navigation, Cuisine, Botanic, College, Nature, Orient & fantasy art.

A Quote from Trefl: "We consider our mission as combining fun with education. Our board games have it all – interesting characters based on Disney, Mattel, and Warner Bros. Some of the children's favourites can be found like Mickey Mouse and friends, Tom and Jerry, Scooby Doo and Winnie the Pooh who also appeals to the larger children. Plus many more licences as well as our own ideas, interesting tasks for young players that helps to improve their educational skills."

Although there are a large variety of products high quality is a key factor for all of them.










The company that arose on the passion to creating games and providing fun is now one of the biggest companies in the Europe with a distribution all over the world.



Trefl will be introducing over 40 new puzzles at the Nuremberg Toy Fair in February 2007 and a further range will be ready for release in the autumn. All of the quality we have come to expect from our manufactures.

We will be sending out their leaflet as soon as it becomes available and hope to be able to offer an extensive range to our members, however, please be aware that not all licensed product will be available in the UK. We'll keep you posted with updates and previews as we begin introducing this range. For the moment, just a few available to purchase!

READ ABOUT

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NEWS & VIEWS

Best of the Bunch!

I thought you might like to see this 6000piece puzzle called 'Nautilus' which I have completed. I believe it is quite rare, as mine is the only one of its kind I have seen, which I picked it up on E Bay. It took me about three months to complete, causing chaos within the household. It is made by Jeux Nathan. I have another really nice 4000 piece puzzle by them, but don't know much about them or any others in their range-do you have any other information? My next challenge is Ravensburger's 18,000 piece masterpiece depicting four antique maps...which I got for my 15th birthday. Because of my age I have to juggle my puzzling hobby with loads of homework, but have no intention of stopping, since I have been puzzling almost from the moment I was born! I think the puzzle club is great because it gives me a chance to find out about new puzzles and read other peoples puzzling experiences. My friends know nothing about puzzling and think my hobby is rather absurd. I hope to be a member for many years to come.

Alicia Audsley - Sheringham.

and congratulate you on your patience and perseverance. Unfortunately, the picture you sent can't be printed. We've also tried to research the company for you, but cannot find anything other than Jeux Nathan are based in Paris and have produced 'The View' by Breugel de Velours 6000pc and 'The thousand and One nights by illustrator Gabor Szittya-3000pc... and seem to be quite a unique manufacturer with only one piece possible in each position. As our 'Best of the Bunch' winner we would normally ask you to select a 1000pc jigsaw of your choice, but feel this wouldn't stretch you...so we'd like you have the choice of ANY sized jigsaw from our extensive range. There will be new catalogues out during 2007 or you can choose from the current catalogues. Whatever you decide, VERY WELL DONE.

I have just returned from a wonderful holiday in Australia. While staying with a relative I noticed a puzzle barely started and was told that it was very difficult. Being a true Englishman I immediately rose to the challenge and completed it. The puzzle was satisfyingly difficult-1000pc, round and made up of beetles in various patterns. In the same series are other creatures and I would like to be able to get them here and would recommend them to club members who like their puzzles to be a challenge. How about it? Can the club find this range and add it to their already comprehensive range.

John Underwood - Billingshurst.

We looked up Royce B McClure and were impressed! We've contacted his marketing arm and hope to hear from them with regard to an existing manufacturer, who can supply the club. The alternative is for us to produce just one or two as exclusives!! but this could make them expensive. Hope to have some news soon.

Have you thought of doing a season of puzzles? I like to buy Christmas jigsaws in Nov/Dec, snowy scenes in Jan/Feb, Spring flowers and baby animals and plant scenes March to June and

Holiday destinations, scenic and sun scenes in Summer. By September with holidays over I turn to comical jigsaws and museum art, and then start all over again.

Mary Green - Somerset.

We try to offer as comprehensive a list as possible- with so many varied tastes this can sometimes be quite difficult but so far, we've had a great response to our selections. However if we're failing in anyway do let us know.

JIG'S CORNER QUESTIONS & INFORMATION & MORE

Jig again! And we've been set lots of tasks for the New Year. New limited editions to be selected - new manufacturers to visit- -selections to be made. Well that will keep me out of mischief. We need your input... so any ideas just send them to me Jig. By phone -email -fax or letter. I could really do with the help, being the new kid on the block!

Just to let you know, Mr Benison completed his 6000pc jigsaw well in time for Christmas on 1st December 2006. That's well within the expected time frame and the boss says well done.

One or two of our Gold new members are getting confused! When we send your members pack, we send a price list especially for you with the 10% ALREADY DEDUCTED. Just a few have deducted a further 10%.....If in doubt please ring.

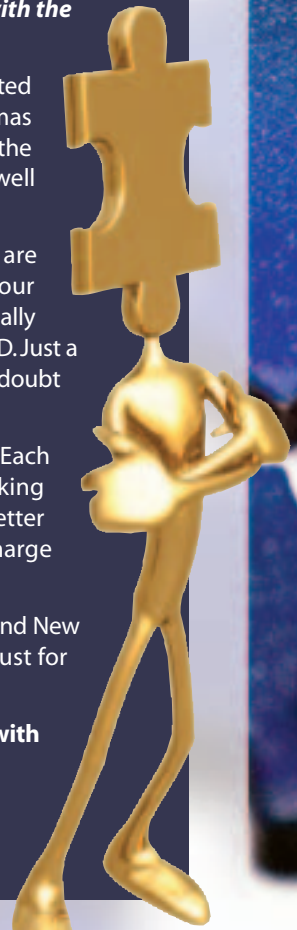
Also, save your money for more jigsaws. Each order incurs £3.50 postage and packing whether you're ordering from the newsletter or separate sheet. So just ONE postal charge for each delivery!

And finally- Thanks for all the Christmas and New Year greetings. Specially the ones sent just for me.

Looking forward to hearing from you with all your questions?

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Very happy, challenging puzzling, Jig.



WINNING WAYS

Since we have to get this issue to the printer sooner than usual, we're leaving the competition winner for Issue 15. We will print this in our February newsletter.

And our Winning Ways question for Issue 16.

We hear lots of stories about how many puzzles you have -so our winner for issue 16 will be the member who has the MOST jigsaws.

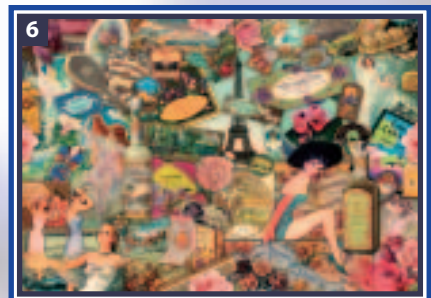
MEET THE ARTIST

Much of Michael Herring's life has been spent in the countryside, amongst farming communities. He was born in Watford, long before anyone even thought of building the M1 motorway. His parents' home backed onto open fields where football and cricket were played in-between the cowpats. He climbed trees in the woods, explored the banks of the Grand Union Canal and fished and swam in the nearby river Coln.

As soon as Michael's talent as an artist developed, it was always going to be the working countryside that he most enjoyed painting. His grandparents lived on a mixed farm, so cows, chickens, tractors and old farm buildings are vivid memories of his childhood. In 1985 Michael took the opportunity to turn professional. His paintings have been published both here and abroad, as limited edition prints, ornamental plates, table mats and jigsaw puzzles.



PREVIEWS



- 1 G504 Stampede - 1000pc
- 2 G497 Starry Nights - 1000pc
- 3 G506 The Evacuees - 1000pc
- 4 G508 Sunshine Coach - 1000pc
- 5 G488 Country Life - 1000pc
- 6 G503 Paris Beauties - 1000pc
- 7 G500 Christmas Shopping - 1000pc
- 8 G505 Vintage Christmas - 1000pc

SPECIAL OFFER

2000pc Puzzleroll with 1000pc Jigsaw free at £24.99 (postage included) - normal retail £29.99. Please allow up to 14 days for delivery as these will be sent separately.

AVAILABLE TO END JANUARY 2007



Tower Bridge
1000pc (Free with Puzzleroll)

OFFICIAL PUZZLE CLUB SELECTED JIGSAWS

A beautiful image from Gibsons featuring peaceful Newquay-from the ever popular artist Terry Harrison -New for 2007-1000pc available at £10.99.

G487 Newquay



A nostalgic village life Jigsaw called Passing Through from Gibsons 2007 collection from Artist Mike Herring- 1000pc available at £10.99.

Perfect Housewives-one of a series of 'fun' images by Eureka Lake from Gibsons 2007 range- 1000pc available at £10.99.

G4876 Passing Through

G502 Perfect Housewives



To order Newquay and /or Passing Through and /or Perfect Housewives or any of the other products featured complete the Order form below and send with your remittance payable to: **The Official UK Puzzle Club, PO Box 3351, Wokingham, Berkshire, RG41 2WE.** If you prefer not to cut up your newsletter, simply put your request in writing or telephone our order line.

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	Price	Quantity	Value
Newquay	£10.99		
Passing Through	£10.99		
Perfect Housewives	£10.99		
Stampede	£10.99		
Starry Night	£10.99		
The Evacuees	£10.99		
Sunshine Coach	£10.99		
Country Life	£10.99		
Paris Beauties	£10.99		
Christmas Shopping	£10.99		
Vintage Christmas	£10.99		
Trefl 2000pc Italian Riviera	£14.99		
Trefl 1000pc Venice	£9.99		
Trefl 1000pc Fruit Jars	£9.99		
Trefl 736 pc Coral Reef Circular	£8.99		
Trefl 1500pc Water Mill	£12.99		
2000pc Puzzleroll with free puzzle	£24.99		Sent direct
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