



Thank you for sending all the lovely Birthday cards and greetings. We are so pleased that you're enjoying the club. As promised three lucky members will be receiving our latest Christmas Limited edition in celebration of our first birthday which took place on 15th September 2006. Next year, we'll celebrate in style!

## THE OFFICIAL UK PUZZLE CLUB

### All-round perfection

Have you tried it! Can you meet the challenge! Could we get the population and the youngsters away from modern technology and working with their hands and minds!

Ravensburger are very proud to present a brand new concept in 3D puzzling, called puzzleball®, winner of the "Innovation Award" at the Nuremberg Toy Fair 2006, in the creativity category.

puzzleball® is very different from the well known cardboard jigsaws we all know and love, because it is a spherical shaped plastic puzzle that sits proud on a stand for all to admire.

What makes puzzleball® so unique is the fact that the puzzle is held together solely by the intricately-designed shape of the individual pieces, the edges of which are conically cut.

This self-supporting construction is so stable that once all the pieces are in place, it can withstand a game of catch. Yes... really! And this is without having to use any glue or conservator to hold the puzzle together.

The secret lies in the shape of the individual pieces. On close inspection, each piece is slightly curved and fits perfectly with the next piece. One by one the pieces come together to form a globe.

Probably the most popular feature about puzzleball® is that each piece is numbered on the back. This is particularly useful to ensure the correct piece is in the correct place, or just simply to help complete those extra difficult - but extra beautiful - images. Because the pieces fit together so well and the puzzle design only appears as a fine grid, completed puzzleballs® make really attractive ornaments for any home.

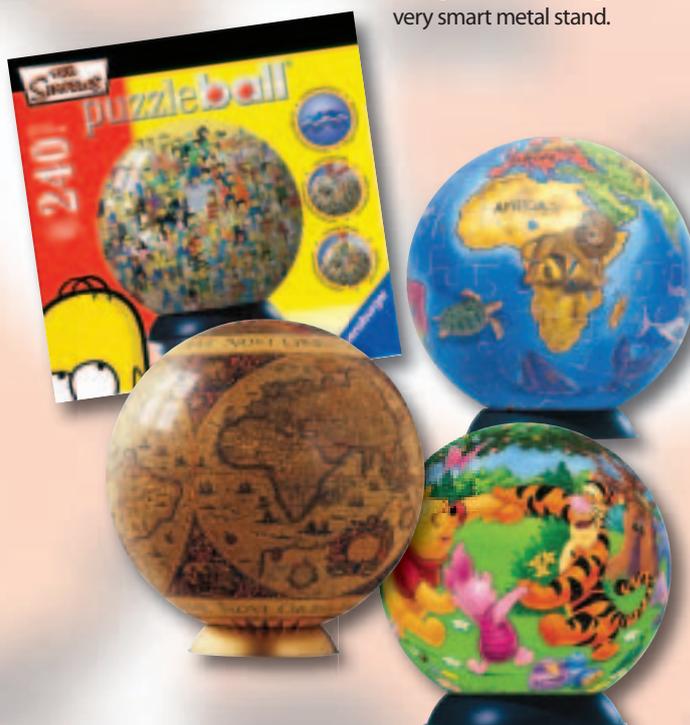
Assembling puzzleball® couldn't be easier. To help you get started, the first piece is packaged in a separate bag. For the 540 piece puzzleballs®, the first and last five pieces have already been assembled, and come packaged in a separate bag. All you need to do is find the next piece, either by using the picture discs included as a guide, or by finding the piece with the number next in line.

With flat puzzles, puzzlers tend to use the image on the box to complete the puzzle. puzzleball® has a brand new solution! Included in every box are three picture discs that allow you to view the puzzle from all perspectives. The picture discs themselves are a unique concept to puzzleball®.

To do this, simply lay the picture discs on a flat surface. Now click the top round disc onto the top edge of the rectangular disc and click the bottom round disc onto the bottom edge of the same rectangular disc. Then simply roll each round disc up and down the rectangular disc respectively, to view different angles of the puzzleball®.

puzzleball® is now available nationwide in many different designs, including cute little bears, princesses, penguins, world maps, photo montages and popular characters from TV or film. Sizes vary from 60 to 96, 240, 540 and even 960 pieces and are fun for all ages. Even children as young as six will enjoy completing puzzleball®, but why not get the whole family puzzling? Prices range from £10.99 - £19.99

Each puzzleball® comes complete with its own stand for you to display your completed puzzleball®, but two other display ideas are also available. Why not display your puzzleball® hanging from the ceiling or even rotating on a very smart metal stand.



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# NEWS & VIEWS

## Best of the Bunch!

As Autumn is upon us and the colder days of winter will eventually be here, I'd like to share my 'tip' with other puzzlers.

If you need just a few more minutes working on your puzzle and the housework is called and your husband will soon be home – spray a clean duster with polish-a good spray, and pop it behind a heated radiator. The air will be filled with the scent of polish and hard work- and you've managed to put in a few more pieces!!

**Mrs Raynor – Rhos-on-Sea.**

*Your secret is out. Enjoy your selection for best of the bunch! Does anyone else have a remedy for finding that extra time?*

I recently purchased a 1000pc Jigframe made by Gibson's and am delighted with its ease of use. The desired Jigsaw can be easily assembled on the board provided and slipped into place with the greatest ease. I have also purchased the jigsaw, which has been a real asset. Sections can be assembled and colours separated, and slipped into place. Congratulations on this range. I shall be adding more to my collection.

**Susann Scott – Bracknell.**

*We will pass your comments onto Gibson's. As far as we are concerned and we have trialled every item in the range, the Jigthings total range is the best we have come across and we are delighted with the many favourable comments we have received. If you are uncertain of what does what! Please let us know and we will include the information in our 'Jig' section.*

Dear Puzzle Club, please do you have a name, so much easier to write to a person?! Would it be possible to send me the new Jumbo/Falcon jigsaw – Three Wise men by Tom duBois as my prize (issue 9)? I love his paintings - so much care going into them The details on this one look fantastic under my enlarger glass.

**Mrs Jacqueline Howe – Sittingbourne.**

*Just to clarify things a little. Prize-winners can select a 1000pc jigsaw of their choice, from any of the ranges we carry and redemption can be within twelve months of your award. As for a name, just address any correspondence to Margaret or Jig.*

The great advantage of 500pc jigsaws is that they are small enough to make up on a board on one's lap!

**Mrs Venshou – Newhaven.**

*Thankfully our manufacturers have a wealth of 500pc jigsaws on offer including 2 x 500pc, 4 x 500pc and some super pictures too. But, 1000pc remains the favourite size. We have one very ambitious member tackling a 6000pc Clementoni at present and I do wonder sometimes, where one houses such large jigsaws. I'll let you know when it's complete!*

## JIG'S CORNER QUESTIONS & INFORMATION & MORE

*Hello fellow puzzlers. Jig here! Did you enjoy the joke? Didn't get many letters of praise so not so sure but did find you another! If you want to have anything especially jokes in my section do let me know.*

Two young blonde women are sitting at a bar in such an obviously celebratory mood that the bartender drifts over intending to offer them a drink on the house. When he gets close he hears one say to the other "Here's to 17 days!" Smiling, the bartender says, "Congratulations! What's so special about 17 days?" Eyes twinkling, one of the women explains, "Well, we've been spending our evenings working on a jigsaw puzzle! And it said 3-5 years on the box, but we finished it in only 17 days!"

I have recently paid my renewal and have become a Silver member. I had been thinking of Gold, but can't work out at which stage it would be appropriate?

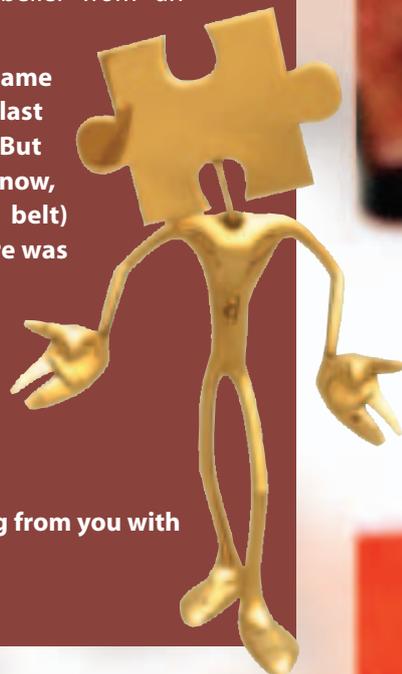
*I think EVERYONE should be a gold member, but as a rule of thumb Bronze to Gold is £50.00- two jigsaws free + postage, no more fees and after that 10% discount. My calculation (I'm good at this) you need to spend approx. £200 to receive the benefit of this and don't forget that includes everything you buy from the club. Silver to Gold is £25.00- one jigsaw free postage, + 10% on all purchases-around £100 or in jig terms 9-10 jigsaws and you've made the right move.*

Best of the bunch – disbelief from an anonymous donor

I came up with the same question when I read last month's newsletter. But Margaret (can call her that now, with a month under my belt) showed me the letter. There was no indication as to when in history this took place! I just assumed as you did that it was recently. Got egg on my face.....

Looking forward to hearing from you with all your questions?

Happy puzzling, Jig.





## MEET THE ARTIST

Roy Trower, commissioned by Ravensburger to produce their limited edition Christmas Jigsaws, has a truly engaging style. Great storytelling, superb detail and scenes to bring a smile to our faces. An accomplished graphic designer, his paintings are characterised by rich, deep and complex colours. Roy studied graphic design at The Norwich School of Art, graduating in 1984 with an honours Degree in illustration.



## WINNING WAYS

Our winner of 'Old Friends' 2 x 500 piece jigsaw signed by Kevin Walsh (issue 12) is Helen Hoyles from Ilfracombe. There were many choices including 'Old Friends' (There was a big clue there)... Helen wins with her answer Victory Lane by Falcon.

And our Birthday bonus goes to Tracy Upex from Bourne, Mrs D M Johnson from Prestatyn and Susan Pickering from Stanley.

**And our Winning Ways question for Issue 13:**

**Which of our members share our birthday? Our latest Limited edition Christmas puzzle is yours, simply by letting us know.**

## PREVIEWS

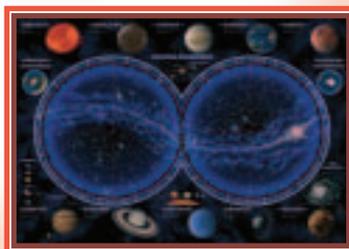
A small selection of brand new jigsaws from the 2007 collections available from the Puzzle Club now.



Disney Moonlight Celebrations



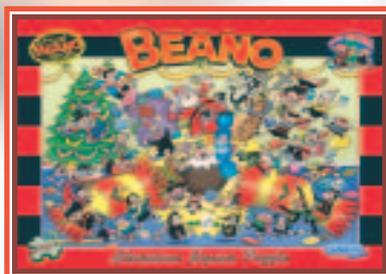
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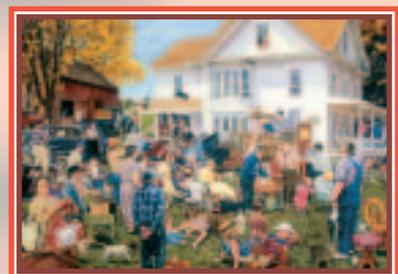
Celestial Map



Embarkation



Beano Christmas 2006



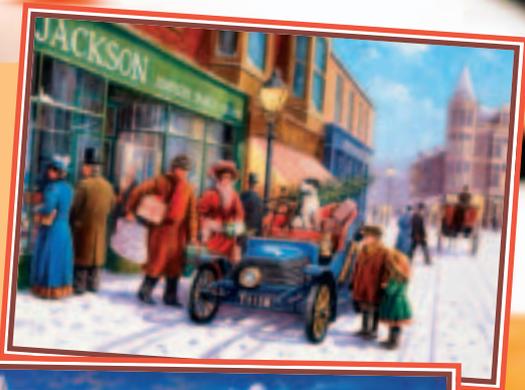
Farmhouse Auction

Second opportunity to purchase a superb laser cut wooden jigsaw. The Wentworth Wooden Jigsaw Co. Ltd have produced the enclosed leaflet for our members featuring their many Christmas jigsaws. These make delightful Christmas gifts and are made to order... so please allow 28 days for delivery.

# OFFICIAL PUZZLE CLUB SELECTED JIGSAWS

Our very first Limited edition Christmas puzzle by Kevin Walsh called Christmas Shopping -1000pcs and available at £9.99

*Christmas Shopping*

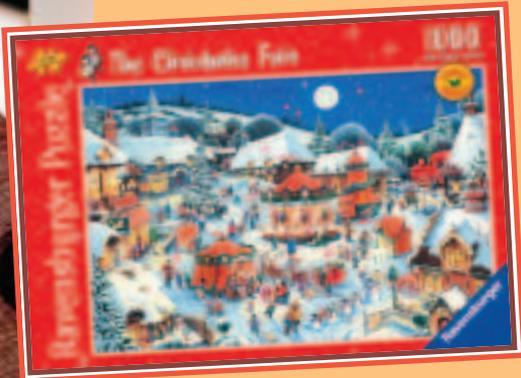


Ravensburger 2006 limited edition Christmas Fair by Roy Trower. 1000pcs and available at £9.99. Very collectable.

Gibson's limited edition 2006: Christmas Appeal by Kevin Walsh. 1000pcs and available at £12.99.

*Christmas Fair*

*Christmas Appeal*



To order Christmas Shopping and /or Christmas Fair/ and or Christmas Appeal or any of the other products available, complete the Order form below and send with your remittance payable to: (No payments taken or banked until despatch)

**The Official UK Puzzle Club, PO Box 3351, Wokingham, Berkshire, RG41 2WE**

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Christmas Shopping-Exclusive	£9.99		
Christmas Fair -LE 2006	£9.99		
Christmas Appeal-LE 2006	£12.99		
Embarkation-1000pc	£10.99		
Farmhouse Auction-1000pc	£10.99		
Disney Moonlight Celebration-1000pc	£9.99		
Christmas puzzleball® 6 designs (each) 60pc. Please specify	£4.99 each		
Beano Christmas 2006 (200pc)	£6.99		
Winter Landscape-500pc	£6.99		
Celestial Map-1500pc	£15.99		
Jigstore-1000pc	£39.99		
Jigstore-500pc	£29.99		
Jigstore-1500pc	£49.99		
Jigframe-500pc	£29.99		
Jigframe-1000pc	£39.99		
Jigsawsafe	£14.99		
(Check out next months issue for more accessories)			
<b>Postage and Packing</b>			£3.50
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