

The aims of the organisation

To offer the hand of friendship on a one to one basis.

To link families, friends and professionals.

To assist people with facial disfigurement to share their experiences, struggles and hopes.

To help them build the courage to face life again.

To provide continuing education to medical, nursing and allied health professionals concerning the lifelong needs of people with facial disfigurement.

To educate the public to value the person behind every face.

If you wish to, you can make a donation payable to:
Let's Face It, 72 Victoria Avenue
Westgate-on-Sea, Kent CT8 8BH:

If you need a friend, we are here. Just pick up the telephone or drop us a line and we will support you for as long as you need us.



Christine Piff is the Founder of Let's Face It; she suffered a facial cancer in 1977 resulting in the loss of half her face, including her left eye.

Christine founded the Network in 1984 having experienced the loneliness and despair that living with a 'changed' face brings.

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Linking people with facial disfigurement, their families, friends and professionals with resources for recovery

Every year thousands of people confront facial disfigurement

Common causes include road accidents, burns, cancer and birth defects.

Regardless of why a face is disfigured the pain and distress caused to the person concerned and the disturbing affect it can have on their families are incalculable.

Let's Face It International Support Network

is an international mutual help organisation dealing with facial disfigurement. It is dedicated to helping those who are facially disfigured, their loved ones, the professionals who care for them, and the communities in which they live, to understand and solve the problems of living with this disability.

Our aim is to offer one to one support and counselling.

Let's Face It

produces a regularly published newsletter which is sent to all members of the network.

It contains news from the regions, reports of meetings, anecdotes and items from individual members, recipes and tips as well as updates on current medical approaches and advances and advice from doctors and technicians.

Subscription price on request.

We have many meetings and local contact points all over the country. New groups are forming all the time.

Please contact Christine Piff or Julia Wallace for details of meeting times, locations and name of your local contact.

We support many people and their problems, including:

Cancer, Burns, Accidents, Tumours, Acoustic Neuroma, Bells Palsy, Brain Tumours, Acne, Facial Palsy, Port Wine Stains, Facial Scarring, Cleft Palate, Goldenhayer Syndrome, Treacher Collins, Aperts Syndrome, Haemangioma, Craniofacial Blastoma and Children born with Congenital Facial Abnormalities.

Facial disfigurement is something none of us can prepare for or understand until it happens to us or to someone we love.

We know the difficulties of looking 'different' in a society that values physical beauty, but it is hard to comprehend the depths of the feelings of isolation and rejection that come hand-in-hand with facial disfigurement.

Patients, family and friends can be paralysed by a hopeless longing for a face that isn't there; many are unable to resume an active life until they accept reality.

For many individuals who have felt alone in the world, our support network represent the first opportunity to meet others who know how they feel.

By caring, sharing, and supporting, our network members can make a difference in each other's lives.

Junior Let's Face It

Links parents and facially disfigured children, to enable them to share similar experiences, offering friendship and support.

Also linking to other helpful organisations and support groups.

Request our Junior Let's Face It leaflet.