

# CLAIM WHAT'S YOURS STONEHENGE 1986

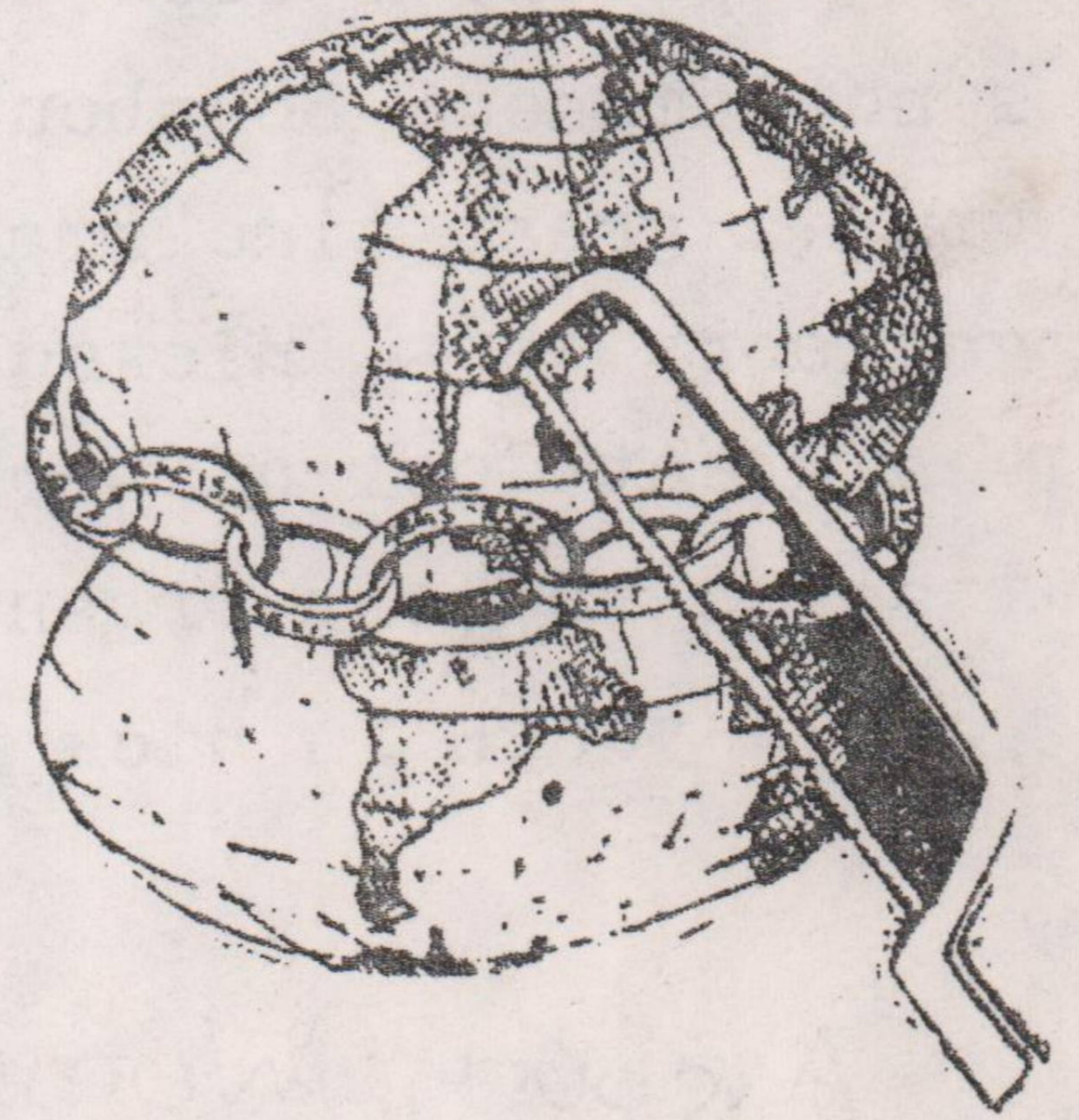
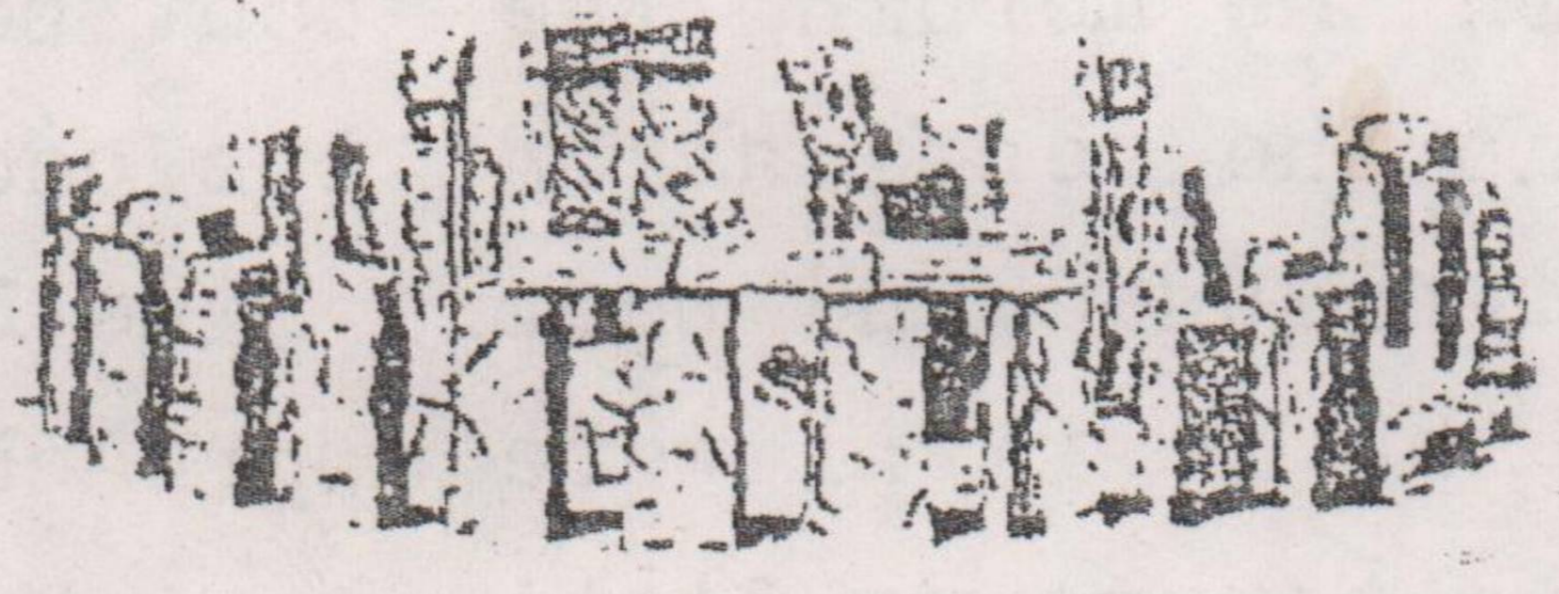


NOT JUST A BUNCH OF DRUG CRAZED HIPPIES.

Most people don't know what the stonehenge festival is about. The media portray it as a bunch of "drug crazed hippies, drop out hippies" scrounging off the welfare state, too lazy to get jobs. This is crap! Don't believe it! If you've never heard of it, it's a big festival held every summer at stonehenge in Wiltshire, it's based on the ancient druidic festival and was recently smashed up by the police.

The aims and ideas of the festival are many. One of the main aims is to revive the idea of celebrating the solstice, holding a ritual which has been performed for thousands of years by our descendants. The festival has no leaders or bosses, if the festival is to run smoothly then it requires the active participation of everyone who cares. Every individual needs to do something to help the festival work. Everyone has some capability which they can contribute, it may be something minor (but important) such as picking up litter, providing first aid, creche, free food. The responsibility is everyone's, as is Stonehenge, as is the whole world. If we can make it work at Stonehenge then we can make it work worldwide, a world without governments, police, authority and greed is possible. When your parents, boss, teacher, cop, mp, councillor tells you otherwise - don't believe them, they're lying! The Stonehenge free festival represents a chance to prove that we can do it. We can then take these ideas back to where we live and spread it, show people there is an alternative to the rubbish we get everyday. By pulling together we can defeat the morons who claim to run the planet in our name, living off our backs for their own greed - COME TO STONEHENGE - have a good time - make it work! SUBVERT!

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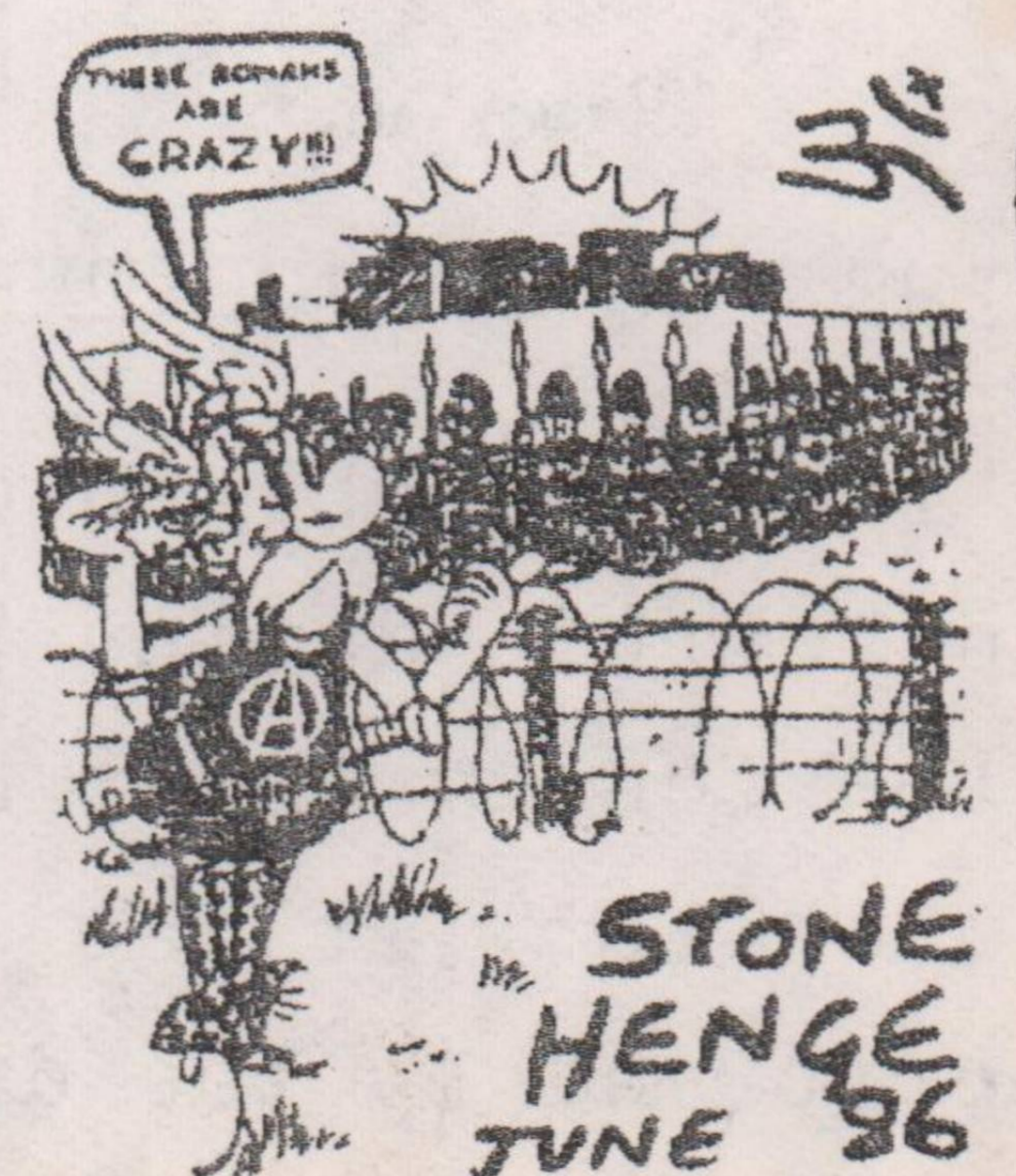
## THE HISTORY OF THE STONEHENGE FREE FESTIVAL.

It's probably one of the most **ancient** festivals in the world. <sup>Excavations</sup> ~~Excavate~~ and carbon dating put Stonehenge at 5,000 years old. The festival was held on and around the summer solstice (thought to be June 21st). It was the highlight of people's year. There would be a ritual performed by the druids, horse racing across the plain, music, dancing, trading discussion and fun! It was an important time of the year too, the druid

ritual being very important for the fertility of the land, where the druids could work with their energies found at Stonehenge to use them for their benefit. It's thought that the festival continued in this way for about the next 3,000 years, until its use declined as was the world in general. From here on Stonehenge was relatively quiet with very few people watching the solstice sunrise. Then towards nightfall on the very last day of the nineteenth century two of the stones in the circle suddenly collapsed. It was the lowest moment in the history of Stonehenge, but as seems to be way of life, things don't end, they carry on and the collapse of the stones marked the beginning of a new cycle. In response to public demand the fallen stones were re-erected as if in response to that, the temple began to re-charge itself. The druids began to reappear and perform seasonal ceremonies from here on the crowds at Stonehenge grew. The druids would perform their ceremony every summer solstice attracting interested parties and many local people. In the early 70's the ancient solstice festival was spontaneously resurrected.

One year Phil Russel, alias Wally Hope went to see the solstice sunrise. He saw the importance of it and his enthusiasm grew, he managed to get radio Caroline to advertise the event every night two weeks before the solstice and spread a lot of publicity around London. His effort resulted in a few hundred people coming. The festival attracted a lot of publicity, Phil Russel was in the papers nearly every day explaining why they were there and getting his ideas across to a very wide audience throughout the land, making him virtually a household name. The authorities were suddenly faced with something they didn't understand and so would not tolerate. The "Wallies" were evicted from Stonehenge after nine weeks and then retreated to Windsor to hold the Windsor people's free festival, virtually in the queen's garden. Her majesty was not amused! So about 5am in the morning the "boot boys in blue" waded in having a great time smashing up the festival and its occupants. Many of the organisers were nicked and imprisoned, and people like UBI Dwyer who had put a great deal of work into the festival were approached by the home office and asked to help organise an alternative festival at Watchfield. He told them he'd been in nick and was then banned from this country.

Avebury Womens Festival 1986 - Will be bigger and better this year. Plans for a womens convoy this summer. How's about a women only space this summer at Stonehenge?



In 1974 Phil Russel was nicked for 2 tabs of acid. He was denied all prisoner's rights, was refused access to a solicitor, denied any way of making contact with friends and kept in on remand. One morning he appeared on parade wearing his pyjamas, since the prison uniform he said gave him a rash. He was sent to see the doctor who diagnosed him as schizaphrenic!!! What sort of a doctor is this—methinks its one who's doing a dirty job for someone. He was prescribed largactil in massive doses, largactil is not allowed in prisons. Largactil is a heavy, sedative drug often used to quieten down 'noisy' or 'dangerous' patients. This reduced poor Phil to a near zombie state, so that when he appeared in court, with no way of defending himself and not quite knowing what was going on, he was sent to a mental hospital. The headlines in the papers said he was mad and thereby discredited all the ideas he had got over to the people. In the 'loony bin' he was given large doses of modecate, which had terrible side effects as he would spit out pills given to counteract any side effects.

Meanwhile Stonehenge 2 went ahead in summer 1975, it was well attended and very successful. Shortly after the festival had finished, Philby now a quivering wreck was released. The mental asylum had done its job of reducing an energetic dissident to a mess, unable to co-ordinate himself and manage his own life, let alone organise a festival. But he still had an ace left to play, he was due in a year's time to inherit a large amount of money from his father. With this he hoped to buy a farm in the stonehenge area to make a commune, which could have provided a permanent place for the festival.

He was staying with some friends in Essex who were doctors taking care of him. They left him alone one night and returned to find him dead, he had choked to death on vomit from an overdose of pills, around him were signs of a struggle. It is thought that MI5 may have been watching the house and sent their thugs in to kill him, doubtless the authorities knew that Phil would inherit the money.

Many people refuse to believe things like this happen here, in Argentina or Chile maybe, but not here. Well it did happen! Jim Callaghan who was home office minister probably authorised his murder. Well Jimmy me' lad hope you are reading, we know what you are—MURDERER!

Another co-ordinator Jeff Moonlight was found murdered in Epping forest, one hand tied to a tree, in the other hand a joint. The murderer had tried to make it look like an LSD overdose!!! (You can't overdose on acid, you flip). Scotland yard murder squad worked hand in hand with the drug squad over the murder, then after four days dropped it, which coincided with the press losing interest.

Lenny Wally who would have been another co-ordinator for 1975 was framed up for pot and given 9 years. Michael Fagan broke into Buckingham palace to take the message to the top, found his way into the queen's bedroom and found

He too was put in a loony bin! The authorities hoped by prosecuting some of the main activists to smash the festival. But the festival has no leaders and in 1976 the poly<sup>tantric</sup>technic circle took over from the wallies. Our friends have not really died—the festival lives on!

Around 1976 the squatting communities in Camden was being evicted. 2,000 squats with about 10,000 people in a small area of Camden. They had a flourishing time for a while, but this was now ending. Many people now took to the road, in 1976 the first convoy, about 30 vehicles in a line, left the polytantric building. The urban squatters became a travelling community now spread all over the country, since then they have grown. Stonehenge 1985 saw a mile long convoy, that's about 500 vehicles! At present the convoy is being harrassed everywhere they are, but their determination and fighting spirit grows.



From here on the festival grew, more bands, more groups performing rituals. As the travelling community grew a convoy of travellers would leave the site to visit festivals all over the land. In 1984 over 30,000 people were at Stonehenge over the Solstice Period, the biggest ever recorded festival at Stonehenge. If all those 30,000 come this year then the Stonehenge Free Festival will happen now and forever.

FROM STONEHENGE TO SOWETO  
THE OPPRESSED ARISE...



WHERE TO NOW.

In October 1985 English heritage who own the land that Stonehenge is on, invited groups involved with stonehenge to come and talk with them. Their proposals for Stonehenge 1986 were a pile of shit. They said they would issue a limited number of tickets (about 3,000) for a one day solstice ritual. It's pathetic. It's an insult to those murdered, and beaten up last June. They got the idea that this suggestion was absurd and dropped it. They agreed to help find a site in the area where the festival could go ahead unhindered. They approached the Ministry of Defence, where a decision was taken 'at the highest level', and said NO! Local farmers were approached and all said, firmly no! English heritage said another site could not be found and will not permit a festival and are now taking legal steps to stop a festival from taking place. This is a 'head in the sand' type attitude, they seem to think that we will all give in!!! No fucking way!

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It looks as if an alternative site cannot be found, we now have to think out a strategy as to how we can take a site in the area (or maybe if possible the usual site).

We need a massive publicity campaign for "Stonehenge 1986", this will help to let more people know what's going on and maybe raise 'public attention' to put pressure on the government to give us a site for the festival. So now is the time for stickers, leaflets, posters, magazines (feel free to reproduce this one). Do your own publicity if you can.

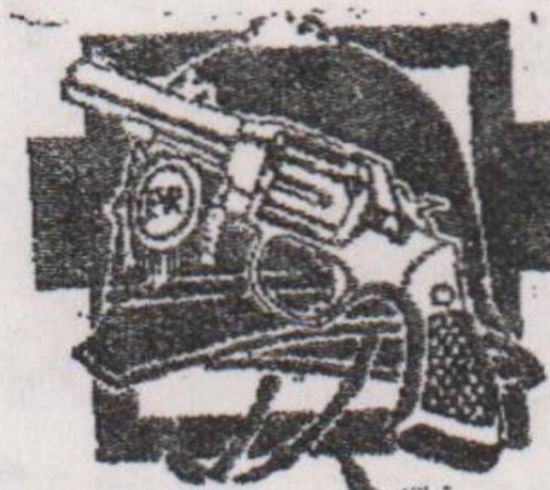
Money is needed to pay for publicity, mail-outs etc. We aim to raise £10,000 for the festival this year. If everyone involved does something we could do it—hold gigs, parties, jumble sales, collections (at gigs or parties), rob a bank, etc.

If you are able try and arrange facilities for the festival such as—creche, water, food, rubbish collection, bottle banks, toilets.

Come to the monthly co-ordination meetings in London. Contact—Polytantric circle c/o Torriano house, Torriano avenue, London, N W 5.

We call for solidarity with other groups in the struggle for a free world. The peace movement, striking workers, animal liberation, ecologists etc. We'd also appreciate the support of many 'earth mysteries' groups who have in the past slagged off the festival. Surely it's better to make it work?

#### LEGAL HASSLES



The legal situation over Stonehenge is a funny one. In 1918 Mr Cecil Chubb sold the monument to the department of works 'for the benefit of the nation'. A year ago he had bought it at an auction, attached to his deed of gift were three main conditions:—

- (i) That the public shall have free access to the premises and payment of no more than a shilling per head.
- (ii) That the premises shall as far as possible be maintained in their present condition.
- (iii) That no building other than a pay box... shall be erected on the premises within 400 yards of the milestone.

(Source: Stonehenge, it's druids, custodians, festival and future)

In 1978 the public were excluded from the stones by a tall security fence, they also erected a bookshop, toilets, car park and tunnel to the stones. All of this is an infringement of the Deed of gift held by Mr Chubb.

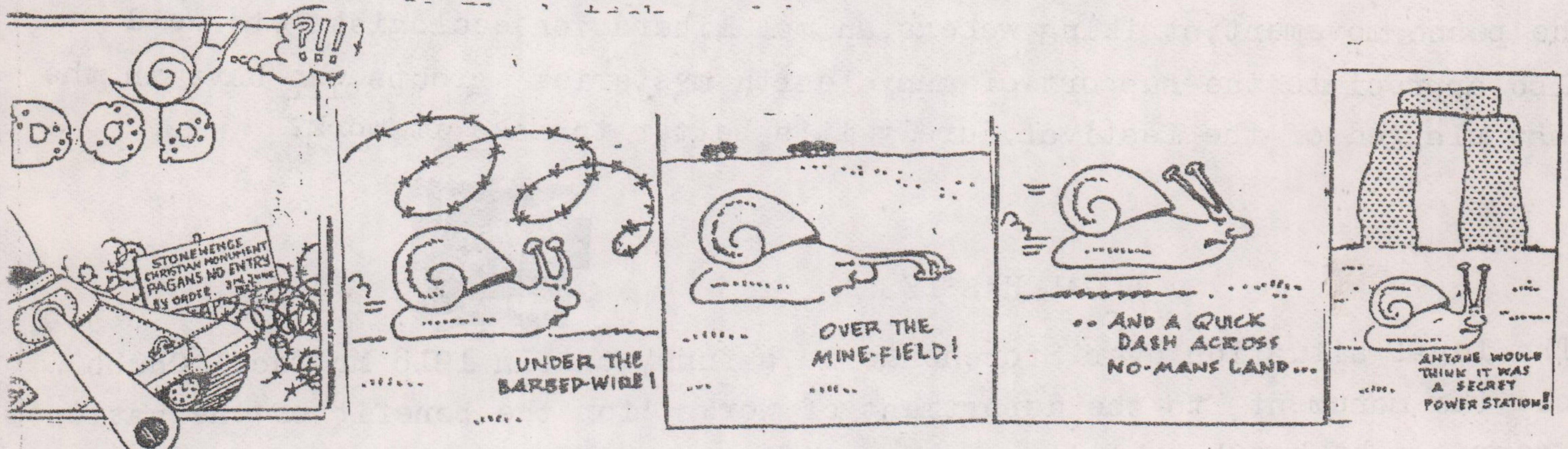
In 1984 more legal proceedings were undertaken by the National trust, they tried to get a blanket injunction for the whole of the Salisbury plain to stop the festival going ahead. A member of the polytantric circle single handedly defeated them in court and so the 1984 festival, the biggest ever seen in our time went ahead.

In 1985 they took out court injunctions against 84 named people who they considered 'activists'. The police were asked to enforce them, no doubt they

were pretty blood thirsty after the miners strike. They denied all public access to the stones for a large part of the summer. Up went razor wire, public rights of way were blocked and trenches dug in the land of great archeological value. Everyone was barred from the area, the people's place of pilgrimage was now an asset of the tourist industry.

On June the 1st, as seen on tv all over the world, the cops beat up and nicked hundreds of people. 3 people took them to court but were defeated. At first serious charges of unlawful assembly were put up, but later dropped. Most charges have been changed to obstruction and other minor offences, many of these are for drivers only and charges against passengers have been dropped. Helen whose blue ambulance was smashed by the cops is suing the police after winning a defence appeal. Hopefully more people will suit the cops, make them pay for a change.

The Stonehenge 1986 campaign needs help in the legal area, we wish to take the scum to the EEC court of human rights on the grounds that we were denied our 'religious freedom'. We also need to know what effect the new public order bill would have on any attempt to hold a festival.



### IT'S NOT JUST A PILE OF OLD STONES

To many people Stonehenge may seem to be a tumble-down circle of stones, where they are told that 'primitive' people worshiped their gods. Yet for some reason it still attracts our interest. Some people come to the festival and say there's something about the place, they don't know what, but it draws them back.

Stand and look at the monument and the most striking thing is the stones themselves. It seems so odd that anyone would want to build a circle of stones and why in a circle? Yet there is more here than just stones. Many people have sensed or felt something at Stonehenge which they cannot see or describe, some people can feel the stones moving or tingling. Throughout the stones a force or energy is running, it cannot be seen, but it can be 'sensed' and sometimes felt, this 'energy' is more commonly known as "leylines". These lines take an almost dead straight course, flowing above and below ground, all over the surface of the planet and out into the universe. The flow of the energy is like a 'pulse' in the planet, the level of the energy rises and falls as it flows. These leylines are an important part of our environment,

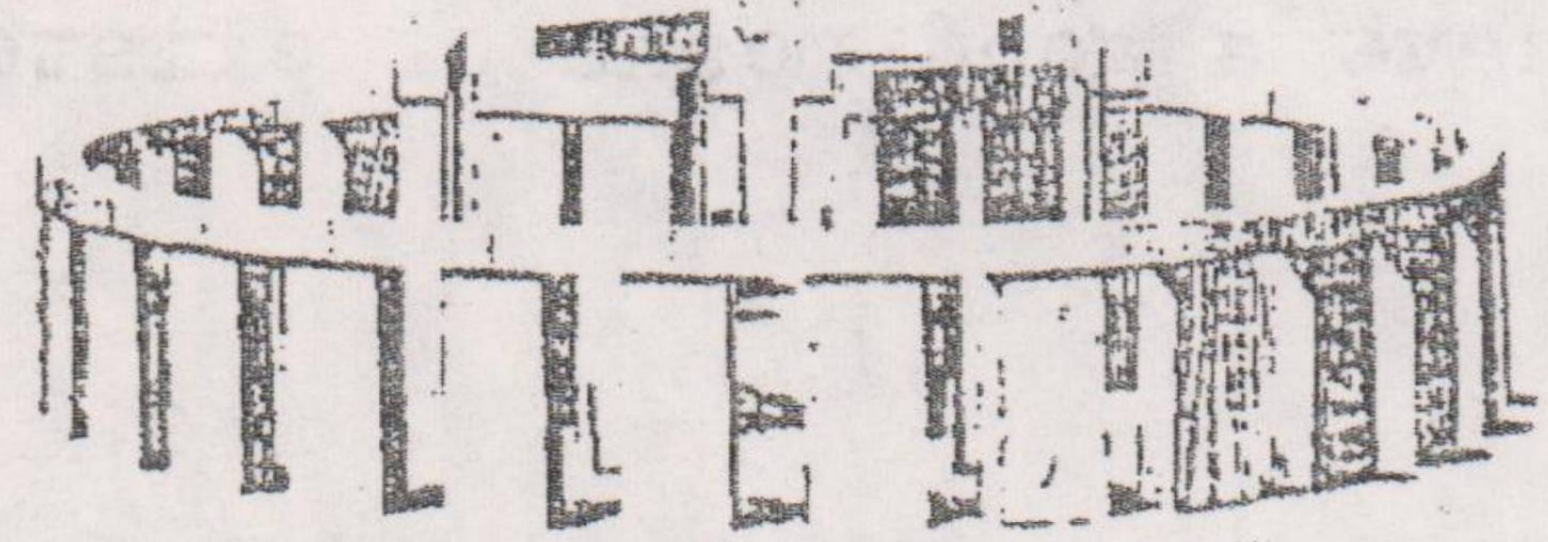
vibes in an area, can feel pain or happiness. (By performing a ritual at Stonehenge the planet can pick up the good vibe and so we are putting something good into our environment.)

Aincent people all over the world were able to sense and understand the energy they found. They placed solitary standing stones at "junctions of energy", and stone-circles where the energy was flowing in this way.

Placing stones on 'ley-centres' will aid the energy flow, it's very similar to the aincent chinese of actupunture where needles are inserted on invisible energy channels on the human body. This is how many people see the earth as a giant body, the ley lines from its nerves, the green grass and desert scrub is its skin, the huge rainforsets are like its lungs. This body is obviously very different from a human body, but is very similar too, it works by keeping all its cycles and seasons in balance just as in a human body, they all put together to enable it to function healthily.

Shortly after the attracious scenes on June 1st what had looked as if it would be a good summer suddenly became very wet. Cloud cover was constant, week after week a narrow, straight band of cloud 1,000 miles in length endlessly streaming up from mid-Atlantic and specifically at the British Isles. The clouds spiralled and vortexed around. Sometimes the spiral was almost perfect. The variations in weather behaviour bear all the hallmarks of a great body undergoing fever. (Source:-Ley Hunter no 99)

That aincent people long ago realised all this does seem quite startling, they are always said to be primitive and we nowadays are civilised. It's really the other way round, they lived quite freely without the slavery that government brings, they were free to devolp and discover themselves and surroundings



AN AINCENT WAY OF LIFE

When i remember the history i was taught at school the first few thousand years were summarised pretty quickly. We started by living in caves, hunting animals with bits of flint and building Stonehenge where we prayed to our 'primitive' gods. From here on different kings took control of the situation and made things better! Christianity came in, said "god rules ok?" and the shagging looking savages squatting around the fire became 'civilized'. I believed them, never questioned they might be lying. Now i find there's a whole realm of history they deliberately didn't tell us, long before the birth of a hippy who got nailed to a tree (you know Jesus Christ!).

The aincent way of life was far different from ours. They lived in the open air with the seasons, the cycles and constellatians. They farmed the land, they would clear a patch of forest and farm it, then after 3 years they'd move on, leave the land to rest, and work their way back to it later. There was no rent to pay, no landlord to be hassled by, just good old common sense. To Follow

They ran their lives differently. They were tribal, living in villages, each village had a chief who was an administrator, a person would receive this position because they were well respected. The chief would have much work to do and was always answerable to the village so this couldn't become too much of a powermonger, though there was probably friction at times. Each village had a druid, they were a 'holy person', very knowledgeable and very well respected. They kept in touch with other druids in other villages by lighting fires upon beacons, they would have conferences to discuss things. They were a closed sect, to join you had to undergo a twenty year apprenticeship, failure during apprenticeship was regarded as a great personal failure, which served to keep any idiots out. Everything was mesmerised, nothing was written down, so knowledge never got into the wrong hands and kept them incorrupt. The Stonehenge summer solstice would be their biggest gathering.

Women were regarded more highly in those days, they were seen as the bearers of fertility and were more respected and had more say in the running of things than they do now. The stone circle of Avebury is thought to be a woman's circle, run by women priests.

A similar way of life was all over the world, the Red Indians lived very much the same way, the Incas in South America have often been called 'early communists', stone circles have been found all over the world eg the great stone at Mecca, burial mounds have been found in Russia, similar to those in Wiltshire. So world peace which we are always told is impossible because of human nature, probably once existed here on planet earth.

If we took the awareness of the ancient people and mixed it with some of our 'liberating' technology, we could have a good means of existence.



#### SO WHAT WENT WRONG?

Who knows? Someone somewhere got greedy, they weren't content to be part of a community, they wanted to control it, to be at the top. The chief may have started to become less accountable and more powerful and roped people in with promises of wealth and luxury, like a cancer their power spread bringing chaos and disorder.

Nowadays we the common people are caught between the struggle of different powermongers, all of whom want to be the one top person.

Everyone is a potential powermonger, they are also a potential lover, friend, creator, helper, we need to control our greed to stop this situation getting any worse.

Empires based upon power grew in the middle east, with people like Alexander the great (should be Alexander the great big tosser), these rose and fall as different powermongers came and went. England (or Albion as it was then called) was one of the last places to fall, the Roman invasion drove the druids, witches etc underground, and from here on they declined.



Only very recently have we seen the re-emergence of druids, covens of witches. After years of darkness a new consciousness seems to be emerging, interest in ancient ideas and new ones is growing at a very quick rate. The authorities quake in fear as we seem to be approaching a new dawn. The new age? Maybe....

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N.W.5.



POLLUTION=PLANETARY CANCER.

Our ancestors loved this planet, they understood how it worked. They saw how its cycles worked in harmony with each other and how everything was in balance, they tried to live their lives in harmony and balance with the environment, realising that they were part of it.

Nowadays the human race is acting like cancer, we each do our own thing at the expense of the whole, totally out of harmony. The result is that the great body on which we depend is being torn apart.

The rain forests which are so vital to the ecosystem are being destroyed. A conservative estimate by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Association says that 7.5 million hectares are being annually destroyed or 30 acres a minute! This makes one species of animal extinct per day and means the loss of many valuable medicinal plants. To destroy the rain forests is absurd, it will cause great climatic disruption which could cause the overall temperature to increase by 3°C, this would partially melt <sup>the ice caps</sup> causing sea levels to rise 5-7 metres. So cities like London, Glasgow, New York, Shanghai would have to be relocated (Source:-friends of the earth supporters news paper 1985).

McDonalds clear forests for ranching to supply their junk food, once the land's exhausted they leave it barren. Volkswagen (an Amazonian ranch), Unilever (timber from Nigeria, S.E Asia and Pacific Islands) Inchape (Singapore, Hong Knong) they are among other companies involved too. These morons have to be stopped, they see no further than their profit margins. Don't buy tropical hardwood timber, take direct action, spread the word.

Cars and factories pump poisonous gases into the air, these cause acid rain which is polluting our waters and killing our trees. Chemicals in household items such as toilet roll, bleach, washing up liquid, soap are all bad for the water. There are now alternatives, but unfortunately they're expensive.

The people who profit from ecological destruction are the real lunatics of this world, not people like Phil Russel who wanted to restore harmony. We need to take the initiative where we can in our own lifestyle and disrupt the big business-NOW?!

## INTERNAL PROBLEMS.

The National Trust said that after Stonehenge 1984 it cost £20,000 to clear up the mess left a... an area of great archeological importance. This is hypocrisy! Look at the damage the army do on Salisbury Plain!

But if we are to hold a festival we should look after the place and leave no litter. Drugs seem to have become of too much importance, in 1984 heroin was driven off the site, it would be good to get rid of cocaine and speed too. Many 'dealers' came to the festival just to make a killing, people sell t-shirts at rip off prices, hot dogs, hard alcohol, junk food - this is capitalism and consumerism. If that's what you want, go to Butlins this summer, we don't want it at Stonehenge. Anti-social people must shape up or leave the festival, we need to restore the love and harmony to the festival and get rid of the macho, get rich quick type.

Good Books on this subject.

Stonehenge; Its Druids, Custodians, Festival and Future) - John Michell

(excellent) £2 - Radical Traditionalist Paper No6.

2 Blenheim Crescent,  
London, W11

The druids and Stonehenge - L.v. Grimsell. 50p.

J. Stevens Cox.  
The Toucan Press,  
Mount Durand St.  
Peter PORT,  
Guernsey.

or Gothic image,  
7 Glastonbury High Street,  
Glastonbury,  
Somerset. (ask for one of  
their mailing lists)

Needles of Stone - Tom Graves, published by Granada.



Turnstone Press Ltd.  
Wellingborough,  
Northamptonshire.

Stonehenge Education Programme - MEDS c/o 181 Bracknock rd,  
London, N19.

The Ley Hunter (published seasonally) P.O. Box 13,  
Welshpool,  
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The Polytantric Circle have some interesting publications.

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