

morgenmuffel #14

JANUARY 2006 - 60P



cartoons+more

Busy

Housing Co-op!

apples to
make cider
with

rich neigh-
bours

bindweed

Mr Nice Dog is
gardening!
But it's a lost
cause.

lost TV remote control

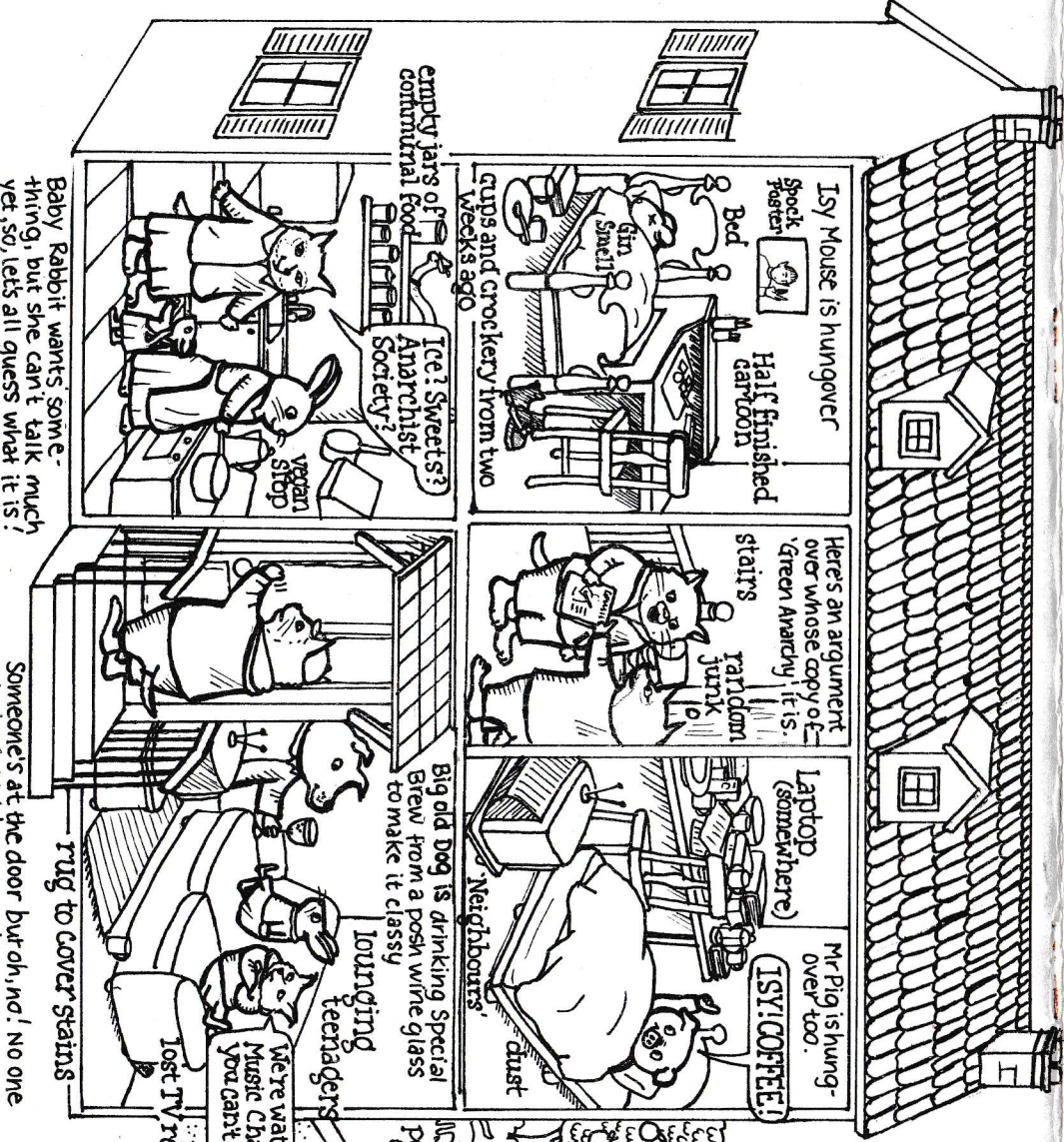
We're watching the
Music Channel's No.
you can't change it.

loungeing
teenagers

Big old Dog is drinking Special
Brew from a posh wine glass
to make it classy

Someone's at the door but oh, no! No one

i love richard
scarry



HI, WELCOME TO MORGENMUFFEL No. 14!

SO, YOU MAY HAVE ALREADY READ THE 'SPECIAL PREVIEW' OF THE G8 COMIC... WELL, TOUGH, HERE IT IS AGAIN (YAWN)

AND IT'S BEEN A BUSY YEAR. OUR SOCIAL CENTRE STILL EXISTS (WWW.COWLEYCLUB.ORG.UK) AND OUR MOBILE KITCHEN HAS SURVIVED.. WE'VE PUBLISHED 'THE ANARCHIST TEAPOT GUIDE TO FEEDING THE MASSES', WITH TIPS + RECIPES. GET IT FROM ME FOR £1 + STAMP IF YOU'RE INTERESTED.

I'M TEACHING MORE SELF DEFENCE WHICH IS DEAD SATISFYING. WE'RE PUTTING TOGETHER A ZINE ON WOMEN'S SELF DEFENCE, SO GET IN TOUCH FOR THAT, TOO. I STILL HAVE A SMALL DISTRO, THO I'M MAINLY STOCKING THE ZINE BOX IN THE COWLEY BOOKSHOP THAN TRYING TO PROMOTE MAILORDER. I JUST CAN'T BE ARSED WITH ALL THAT POSTAGE.

BEST READS THIS YEAR - ASSATA SHAKUR'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY, 'PERSEPOLIS' BY M. SATRAPI

PLAYLIST - HANK WILLIAMS · RAMONES · HAY · SEED DIXIE · COR JOBA · GEOFF BERNER · TARKAN

PET HATES - WET BUM FROM BIKE SEAT, ILL-FITTING GLASSES, MOBILE RINGTONES, BRA-STRAPS FALLING DOWN, THE LAW OF VALUE LOVE + RAGE, *Isy* -

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* GLOSSARY !!! *

especially for all you foreign readers!

- * coppers - police also filth, pigs...
- * chickens - all birds I can't remember the specific name of
- * GORDON RAMSEY - TV CHEF KNOWN FOR INTIMIDATION + SWEARING
- * the met - London COPS, evil
- * moonie - y'know, when you show your arse to strangers
- * on the blob - 'on the rag', 'the curse' - 9's bleeding
- * NICK - to steal, also to arrest
- * HOODIE - a HOODED TOP, DUH
- * SPECIAL BREW - VERY STRONG BEER. YOU NEED TO BE PRETTY DEDICATED TO LIKE IT
- * fag/cig - CIGARETTE
- * MS DOYLE - IRISH HOUSEKEEPER IN BRILLIANT TV SHOW 'FATHER TED' KNOWN TO URGE THE FATHER TO HAVE A CUPPA TEA ... GO ON...
- * pants - UNDERWEAR, NOT AMERICAN TROUSERS!
- * 'TOP GEAR' - SAD LAD'S CAR OBSESSED TV PROGRAMME
- * OI - expression to GET ATTENTION, OR EXCLAMATION, USUALLY LOUD. ALSO MEANS CUCUMBER IN KOREAN.

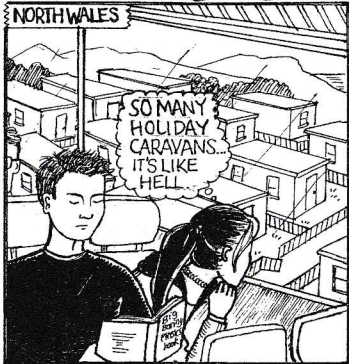


(FROM A PHOTO AT THE EF! GATHERING 2004...)

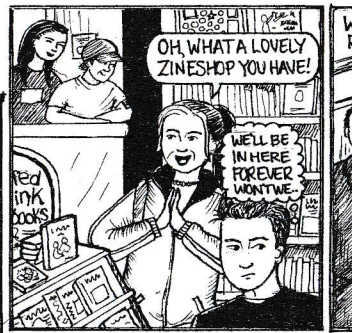
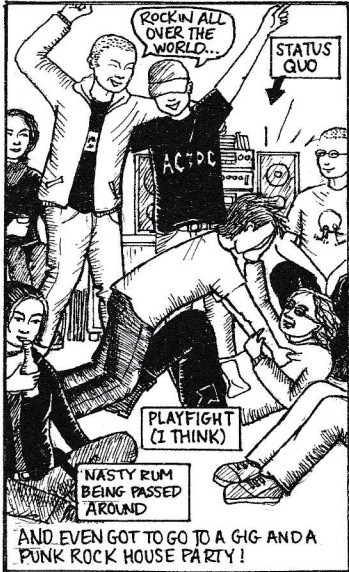
I HAVE THIS TOP THAT I REALLY LIKE. EXCEPT THAT IT'S MESSAGE GETS DISTORTED WHEN WORN UNDER A JACKET OR HOODIE...



We were going on holiday! hurra!



WE WENT TO SEE MATE'S, BOTH IN DUBLIN + WEST CORK, AND ALSO TO SEE THE CITY & THE COUNTRY... GET SOME CULTURE & SOME NATURE... ⇨



WE SLEPT ON A BEACH ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE PENINSULA, THEN WALKED ALONG IT FOR HOURS. IT WAS GORGEOUS.

WE DID A VERY STUPID THING... WE TRIED TO WALK THROUGH A BAY...



WE CAMPED UP AT 'BRANDON POINT' AND SAW DOLPHINS



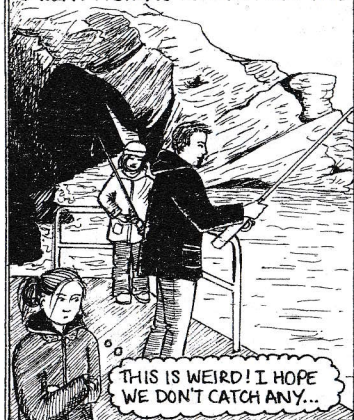
WE HAD VERY SUCCESSFUL HITCHING FROM DINGLE TO BANTRY! A LIFT RIGHT FROM BRANDON POINT... 5 MINUTES LATER...



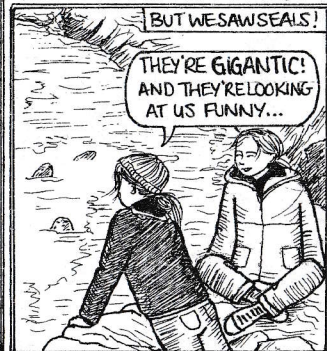
BANTRY/MIZEN HEAD } WE STAYED WITH A FRIEND WHO LIVES ON HER PARTNER'S FAMILY'S LAND IN A REMOTE PART OF THE SOUTHWEST...



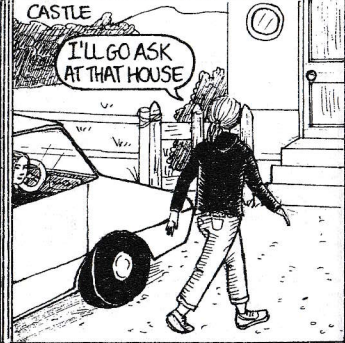
I WENT FISHING FOR THE FIRST TIME



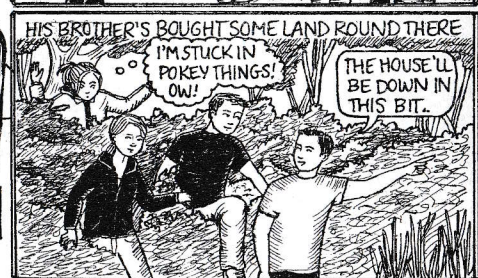
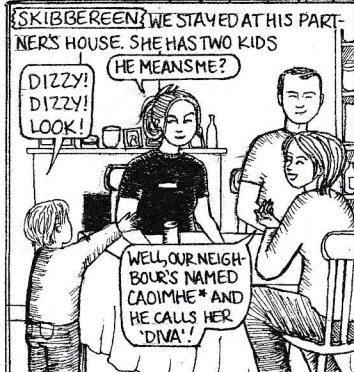
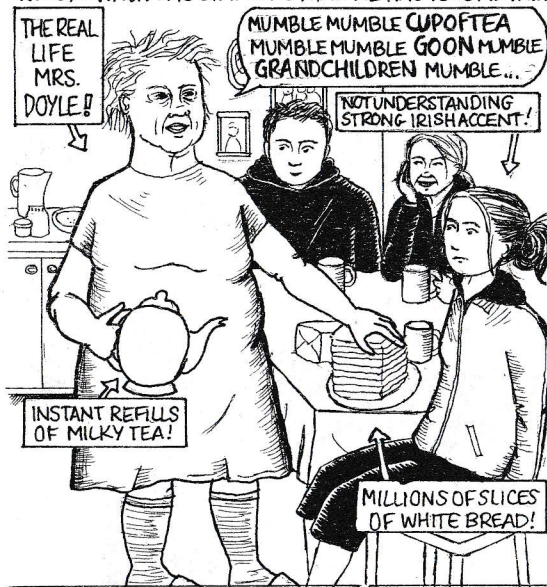
I WENT ALONG COS I WAS CURIOUS, AND THEN HAD A BIG MORAL DEBATE IN MY HEAD - WAS THIS SUBSISTENCE, OR PLAIN MURDER? I KINDA THINK IT'S BOTH... BUT, I DON'T WANT TO KILL FISHES, OR EAT THEM - IT HELPED ME MAKE UP MY MIND!



BUT WE SAW SEALS!

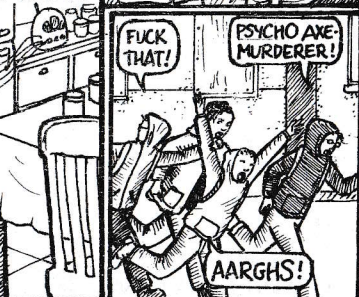
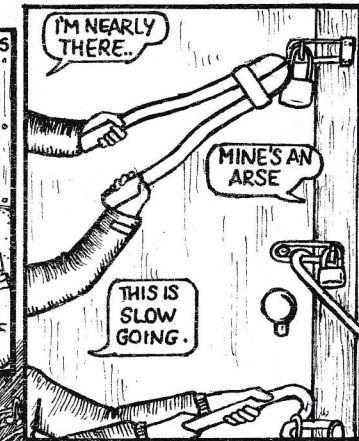


WELL, IT WASN'T AS SIMPLE AS THAT. WE HAD TO COME IN...

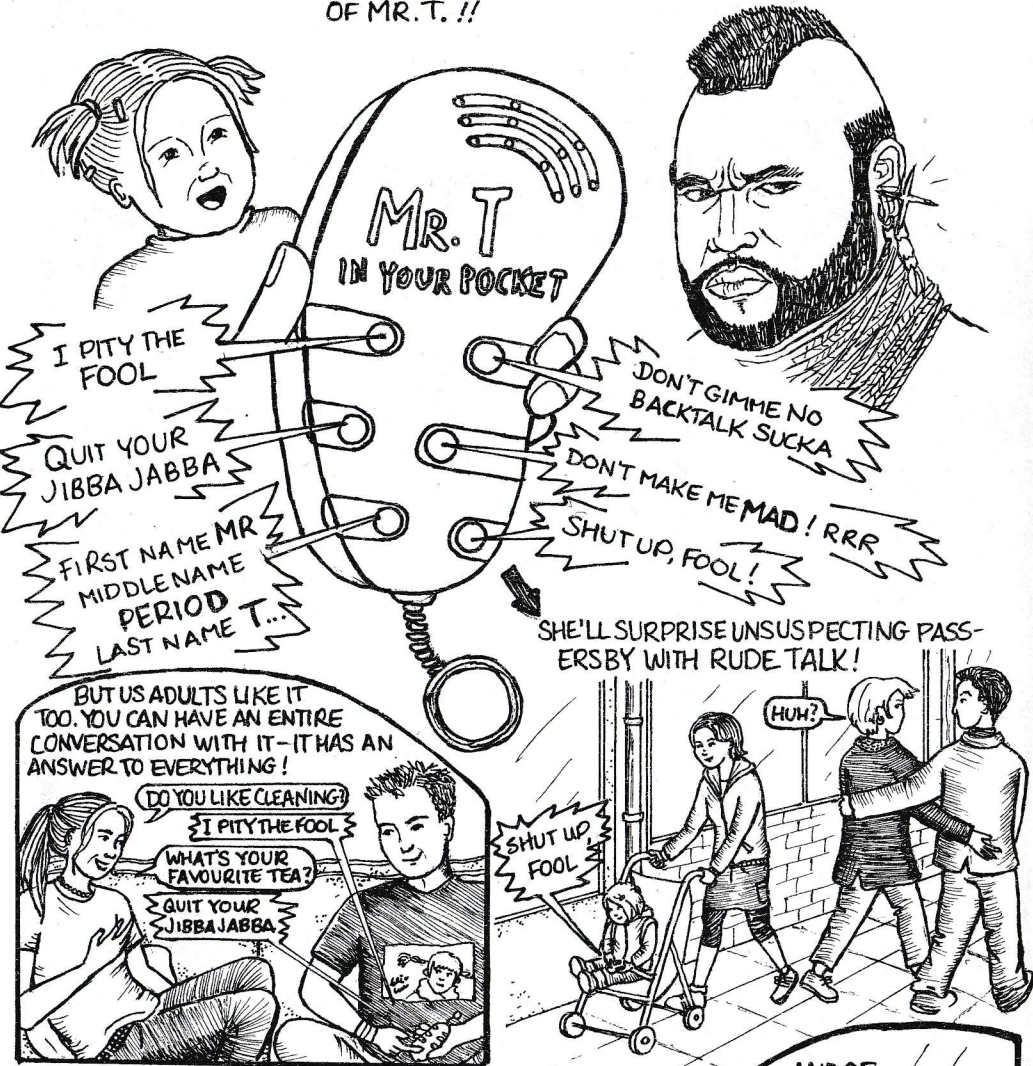


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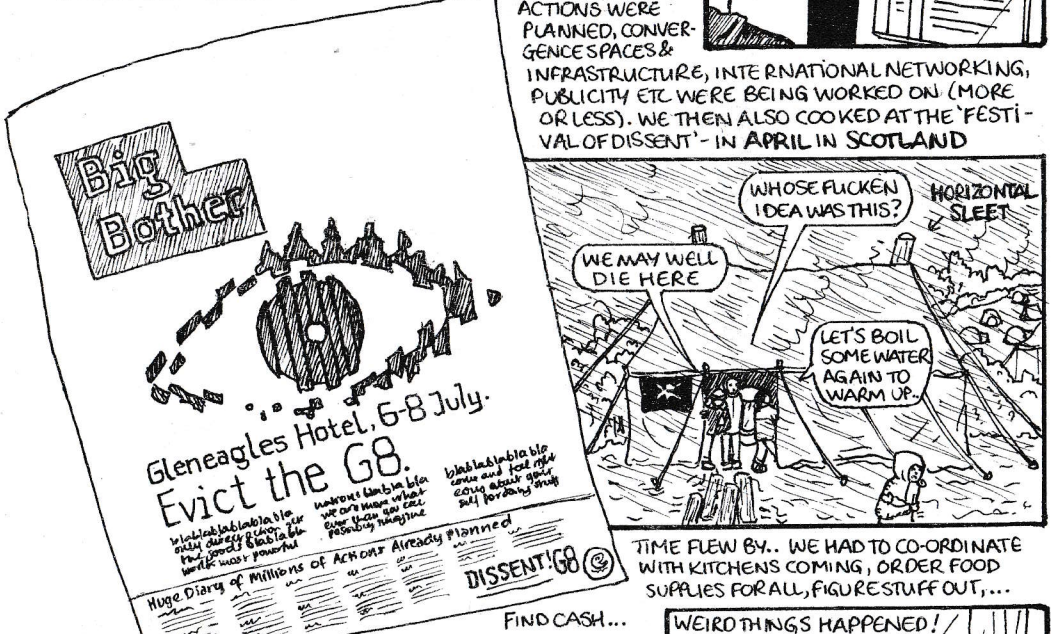
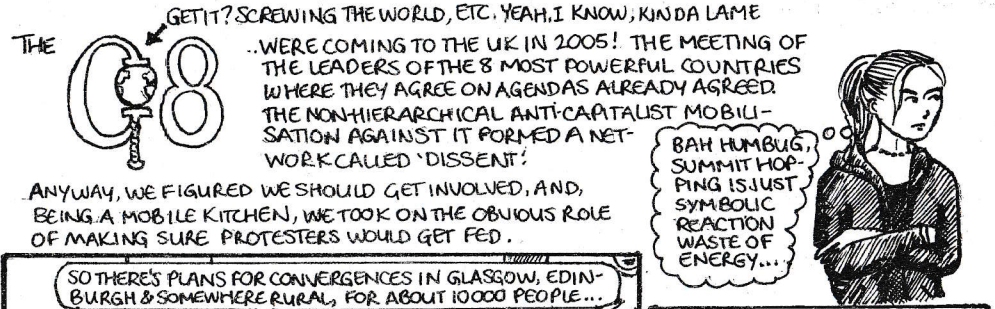
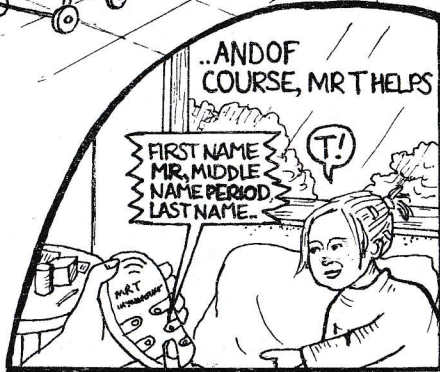
IN DUBLIN, SOME MATES LEFT US AFTER THE PUB TO GO SQUAT A NEW PLACE...



THE BABY WHO LIVES IN OUR HOUSE HAS THE COOLEST TOY, EVER. YOU PRESS BUTTONS, AND HEAR THE VOICE OF MR. T. !!

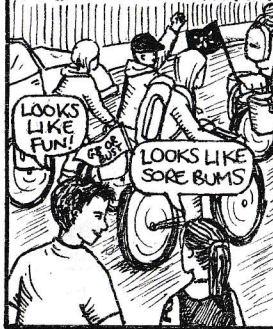


SO, THE BABY'S LEARNING TO SPEAK...



MID-JUNE

THE CYCLE CARAVAN LEFT BRIGHTON FOR SCOTLAND!

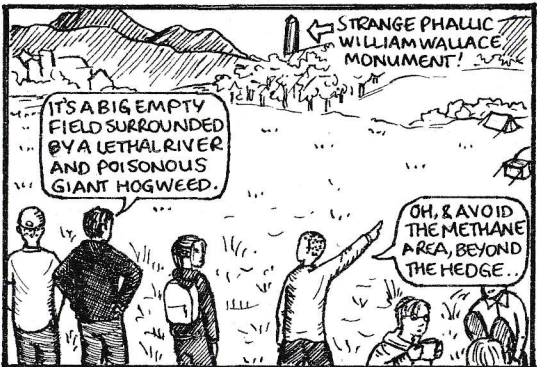


AND WE PACKED OUR VAN...

I HAVE WARM CLOTHES, WATER-PROOFS, & A BLACK HOODY. I'M PREPARED FOR ANYTHING!



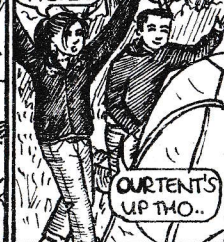
TUESDAY 28/6, EVE - WE ARRIVED AT THE 'RURAL' SITE, WHICH HAD ONLY BEEN PROVIDED BY THE COUNCIL A FEW DAYS BEFORE. OTHER POTENTIAL, BETTER SITES ALL FELL THROUGH DESPITE BEST EFFORTS



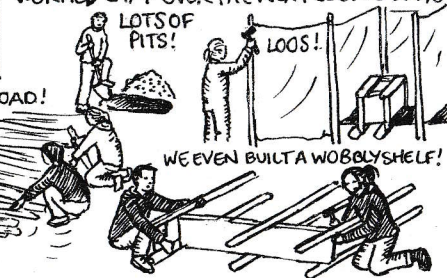
SO, WE'LL HAVE FOOD ARRIVING TOMORROW, WE NEED A MARQUEE TO PUT IT IN.



FUCK! THERE'LL BE PEOPLE ARRIVING SOON & THERE'S NOWT HERE!



THE COUPLE HUNDRED PEOPLE ON SITE WORKED 24/7 OVER THE NEXT COUPLE DAYS



THURSDAY 30/6 - THERE'D BEEN A KITCHEN COOKING BUT THEY NEEDED TO MOVE, SO WE WERE CALLED ON



AARGHS! IT'S THE SCOTTISH RAIN OF DEATH!



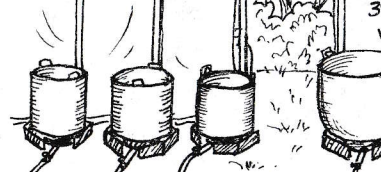
THE SITE WASN'T REALLY RURAL BUT ON THE EDGE OF STIRLING, NEXT TO A BIG INDUSTRIAL SHOPPING ESTATE



FRIDAY 1/7



AND WE SET UP OUR COMBINED TEAPOT/RAMPEN PLAN UBERKITCHEN!



SOME TEAPOT COOKS HELPED GET OTHER KITCHENS GOING.



WE HAD TIME TO JOIN THE DEMO



WE MOVED OVER 4 TONNES OF FOOD WITH OUR DUTCH FRIENDS



THERE WERE OVER 14 DIFFERENT KITCHENS TO CATER FOR ALL THE NEIGHBOURHOODS, COOKING FOR MOSTLY 50-300 PEOPLE EACH, & WITH VARYING DEGREES OF EXPERIENCE. WE HAD A FIRST MEETING



SATURDAY 2/7 - WAS THE DAY OF THE BIG 'MAKE POVERTY HISTORY' MARCH IN EDINBURGH. WE SPLIT OUR KITCHEN TO GO HELP CAFE CLANDESTINO COOKING THERE



DISSENT HAD A SPACE IN THE COUNCIL PROVIDED & POLICED - CAMPSITE



THE BLACK BLOC ATTEMPT GOT PENNED IN BY COPS, PREDICTABLY



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NO ONE ELSE WAS BACK YET, BUT WE GOT SOME CHOPPING HELP FROM LOCAL KIDS

DO YOU HAVE A GIRLFRIEND?

EEEK!

SO, WE SERVED LOTSA FOOD, THEN LEFT AGAIN.

SOUNDS LIKE OTHER PEOPLE ARE GOING TO STIRLING IN A COUPLE DAYS

FUCK! WELL, THE CHILI....

MMH THIS IS NICE...WHAT IS IT?

TRYING FROM 11AM TO 8 PM NONSTOP

WOW THIS IS GREAT STUFF-WHAT IS IT?

SUNDAY 3/7 - ALTOGETHER THREE DIFFERENT ANTI-G8 CONFERENCES WERE HAPPENING IN EDINBURGH. MEANWHILE BACK ON THE STIRLING SITE...

THERE'S LESS PEOPLE HERE THAN WE THOUGHT - WE HAVE TOO MUCH FOOD!

MAY NEED TO CANCEL ORDERS SHIT.

AND CHECK OUT HOW MUCH CHILI WE HAVE LEFT.

...GOTTURNT INTO SOUP FOR LUNCH....

INTO 1800 BURGERS FOR DINNER...

AND INTO A CHUTNEY!

MONDAY 4/7 WAS THE DAY OF ANTI-NUKE BLOCKADES AT FASLANE, AND OF THE ANTI-WORK CARNAVAL IN EDINBURGH. I WANTED TO GO, BUT...

OKAY, DON'T PANIC, BUT FOOD HYGIENE INSPECTORS ARE COMING ON SITE AT 2!

REALLY SORRY WE HAVE TO CANCEL THE POTATOES.. WE STILL HAVE WHAT?

THE 'PEOPLE & PLANET' KIDS ARRIVED. THEY HAD THEIR OWN 'ENCLOSURE' AND WE HAD TO FEED THEM COS THEY DIDN'T HAVE THEIR OWN KITCHEN

I SPENT HOURS DOING THIS...

50-80-£1. HAVE WE GOT ANY MORE CHANGE BAGS?

33-34-35 - ALL COPPERS ARE BASTARDS!

PLEASE MAKE A QUEUE!

YOUR DINNER! HERE! HELLO?

TUESDAY, 5/7 - SUDDENLY MORE AND MORE PEOPLE WERE COMING... AND HUDDLED IN LIL' CONSPIRATIVE GROUPS ALL OVER THE SITE...

2PM: MODEL CHEF WASHING HANDS!

BIA BIA BIA

ALL CLEARED UP!

LATE EVENING: THERE'S LOTS OF HUNGRY PEOPLE COMING BACK NOW!

OK-NEWCASTLE STILL HAVE DINNER, LEEDS + HIGHLANDS IN 1/2 HOUR

WONDER HOW ALL THIS'LL GO...

NO IDEA

AND LEFT IN LIL' CONSPIRATIVE GROUPS TO CAMP OUT ELSEWHERE...

WELL, WE PASSED INSPECTION-PHEW! MEANWHILE, THE MET WENT MAD IN EDINBURGH, AND LOCALS JOINED IN THE CARNIVAL. THERE WERE LOADS OF ARRESTS.

OUR KITCHEN GOT FUCKEN BUSY

SANDWICH MAKING - ACTION PROVISIONS!

TONS OF CHOPPING!

TONS OF FOOD!

MEANWHILE, WE WENT TO BANK SOME MONEY

PHEW! HEAVY!

THAT'S ALL CHANGE?

YES, BUT IT'S ALL BAGGED!

THERE WERE 2 'PUBLIC' ACTIONS PLANNED - A BLOCKADE ON THE A9, AND ONE ON THE M9 - DUBBED THE 'SUICIDE BLOCK', AIMED AT TYING UP POLICE RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THE SMALLER ACTIONS

WELL, CAN SOME OF US GO?

IF WE HAVE ENOUGH COOKS-WHO'S STAYING?

TUESDAY NIGHT: SANDWICH MAKING WENT MANIC, HELICOPTERS WERE OVERHEAD ALL THE TIME, WE STAYED UP MAKING MORE & MORE COFFEE, AND SOUP, AND A FRIEND WENT CRAZY FROM THE STRESS AT THE GATE

I HAVEN'T SLEPT 48 HOURS

GOOD IDEA - THAT'LL CONFUSE THE POLICE HEAT DETECTORS

I'M GONNA GO GET THE TAURUS INSIDE NOW

WOT? SIT DOWN. HAVE A POT NOODLE. YOU NEED IT.

THE SUMMIT WAS STARTING ON WEDNESDAY AND THE IDEA WAS TO BLOCKADE ALL THE DELEGATES+SUPPORT STAFF WHO WEREN'T BEING FLOWN IN, IN THE FORM OF BIGGER+SMALLER ACTIONS, MOSTLY UNCOORDINATED, EARLY IN THE MORNING+ALL OVER THE AREA.

THERE WERE ABOUT 10000 COPS IN THE AREA. THE 'SUICIDE BLOCK' FORMED AT THE GATE AT 3 AM...

IT'S DARK, IT'S JUST STARTED RAINING, AND WILL WE EVEN GET PAST THE GATE?

DOES ANYONE ELSE FEEL DOOMED?

OVER 500 (-800?) LEFT IN THREE LARGE BLOCKS.

OKAY, LET'S GET THE GATE SHUT

WAIT! HAS ANYONE GOT A MAP?

HM, WE'RE NOT DOOMED YET.

LOOK, WE'RE IN TOWN... WHERE ARE THE COPS?

STILL NOT DOOMED. YET.

THE COPS WERE FOUND - AND DEFEATED!

OH, ARE WE DOOMED NOW? OR NOT?

YAY! BARRICADES!

SOMEHOW WE ENDED UP ON THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

OH, THE BANKS GOT BROKEN.

THERE GOES BURGER KING.

A BIT LATER:

OH! COPS WITH VANS ON BOTH SIDES.

I THINK THERE'S ONLY 100 OF US LEFT HERE - WE'RE DOOMED!

HEY, WE CAN ALL GET OUT THRU HERE C'MON!

WE ENDED UP WITH A MOTLEY GROUP OF PEOPLE ON SOME RAILWAY TRACKS

IS ZIS ZE WAY TO GLENEAGLE?

WE GO TO GLENEAGLE, OUI?

NO! ITS ABOUT A DAY'S WALK OVER THOSE HILLS

DON'T LOOK LIKE THE OTHERS ARE COMING!

FOUND A FEW OTHERS & MADE OUR WAY TO THE MOTORWAY

BARRICADE MATERIAL

MY SOCKS ARE WET.

HEY, I CAN SEE IT! THATS THE MOTORWAY ISN'T IT??

YEAH FUCKEN MILES AWAY..

THEY DONT SEEM TO WANT TO FOLLOW US INTO THE FIELDS..

MASS MOONIE! C'MON!

I'M ON THE BLOG AND I'M NOT GONNA DO THIS

AFTER A WHILE, OUR RANDOM GROUP STARTED TO ANNOY US

LET'S HAVE A MEETING TO DECIDE NOT TO DO!

THAT'S THE 3RD MEETING! AH FUCK THIS..

OK

YEAH

WHEN WE GOT BACK, THERE WAS HUGE EXCITEMENT

YOU'VE BEEN THERE 4 HOURS ON THE... OH I GOT IT.. A824

HUH?

WE GOT 'CHANGED' AND STARTED WALKING BACK

IT'S ONLY 10 AM AND I'M FUCKED

3 MEETINGS IN ONE MORNING.. TSK..

JUST GOT ANOTHER CALL - 50+ PEOPLE ON THE A9 NEAR BLACKFORD.

ANY NEWS FROM THE ACTIONS AT KINKELL BRIDGE?

EVERYTHING WAS SHUT DOWN ALL MORNING! FROM 5 PEOPLE LOCKING ON TO HUGE MOBS PLAYING CAT&MOUSE, FROM KIDS TO CLOWNS TO BLACK BLOC...

Perth

Cliff

5 HOUR BRIDGE BLOCKADE

ANOTHER BRIDGE BLOCKADE

BLOCKADE ON TO A1

MORE BLOCKADES

PEOPLE LOCKED ON

G8

4 HOUR BRIDGE BLOCKADE

MOVING BIKES, AND KIDS BLOCKADES

A9 BLOCKADES

MOTORWAY BLOCKADES

Ochil Hills

Stirling

CAR CRASH ON FORTH BRIDGE IN EDINBURGH + BLOCKADES IN GLASGOW

HOODIE HAIR

HEY, YOU'RE ALIVE! WHERE'D YOU GO?

GET THROUGH? LIKE THIS!

ALL THE KITCHENS COOKED NON STOP. MORE SOUP COMING UP!

WAIT! IT NEEDS MORE... OREGANO

AND PEOPLE CAME BACK FROM THE ACTIONS, ATE, THEN WENT OFF AGAIN TO THE 'G8 ALTERNATIVES' MARCH ONTO GLENEAGLES. IN ALL THE MORNING CHAOS, THE MARCH GOT BANNED, UNDER LOTS OF PROTEST. EVENTUALLY IT WAS ALLOWED. 5-6000 PEOPLE GOT THERE. (THE PICS ARE FROM PHOTOS + WHAT PEOPLE TOLD ME - I WASN'T THERE!)

MEANWHILE, KIDS BROKE THROUGH THE POLICE BLOCK AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CAMP

LITTLE BUGGERS... RETREAT!

O!

THEN THEY WENT UP THE A9 IN A DOUBLE DECKER BUS. VERY SLOWLY...

AND RUBBLE WAS STILL BEING CLEARED OFF THE MOTORWAY..

>GRUMBLE<

BACK AT THE SITE, ALL THE STORIES GOT TOLD...

THE DUTCH BUS

OH, WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO... LOCH NESS!

OH YOU'RE ON THE WRONG ROAD HERE. LEMME SEE..

OVER 200 PEOPLE WERE NICKED BY 11 AM

THE BIKERIDE PEOPLE GOT RIGHT THRU TO THE MEDIA SUMMIT

UH-WHERE ARE WE?

WELL, TO DAY WAS KNACKERING

YOU GUYS WHO HAD ALL THE FUN ARE SO GONNA COOK TO MORR OW!

DO WE NEED TO SOAK ANY BEANS?

SHIT

THE ENTIRE CANADIAN DELEGATION NEVER GOT THERE!

MMM MINE TOO. LOCALS COME FOR DINNER

THURSDAY 7/7 - THE COPS BLOCKED OFF THE SITE... AND WOULDN'T LET ANYONE IN OR OUT WITHOUT MAJOR HASSLE



THE COPS WOULDN'T EVEN LET THE LOO-EMPTYING TRUCK ON TO THE SITE...



EVENTUALLY, THE COUNCIL FORCED THEM TO LET IT THRU



NO YOU'RE NOT COMING THRU
THERE'S A VEG DELIVERY BACK THERE AND WE NEED THAT VEG TO FEED PEOPLE YOU'RE GOING TO LET ME THROUGH NOW!



NEWS STARTED TO COME THROUGH OF THE BOMBINGS IN LONDON.
FUCK I'M GONNA PHONE MY SISTER
DOES THIS MEAN THE MET ARE GONNA GO HOME?
OOPS - THAT'S THE 6TH ILL PERSON I'VE SEEN
WE NEED TO TAKE MORE ANTI-ILLNESS PRECAUTIONS IN THE KITCHEN



OF COURSE IT WAS A FALSE ALARM - THE FIRST OF MANY...

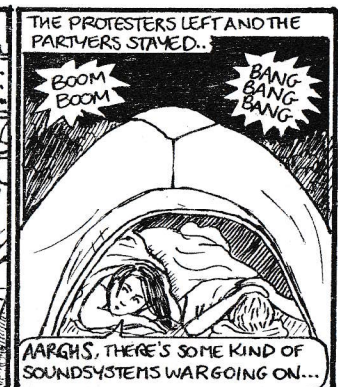
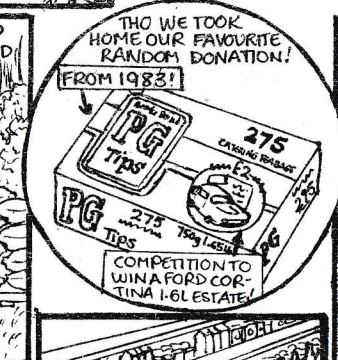
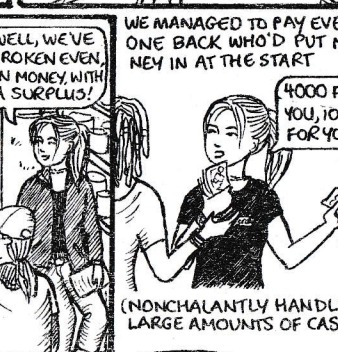
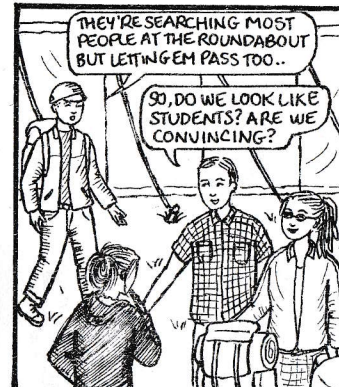


VEG DELIVERY GUY JUST CALLED, HE'S STUCK BEHIND COPS, I'M GONNA GET HIM
WELL THEN I WAS STUCK ON THE ROUNDABOUT WITH MY VEGETABLES, A BUNCH OF COPS, JOURNALISTS & A COUPLE OTHER STUCK PEOPLE
HEY... HOW'D ISY DO THAT THEN?
EVENTUALLY THEY LET 3 OTHER - FEMALE ONLY! - COOKS THRU TO HELP ME CARRY THE VEG IN
THIS IS 10KG OF CABBAGE YOU KNOW
HUH



IT ALL STARTED FEELING MORE OMINOUS - LONDON BOMBINGS, CHOPPERS OVERHEAD, REALLY PISSED OFF COPS SURROUNDING US, ILLNESS (FROM LOOS! NOT FOOD! OK?),
ALARM! WE'RE BEING ATTACKED!!
EH-WHAT?
GUESS WE SHOULD GO LOOK.
WHERE'S MY BOOTS...

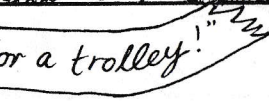
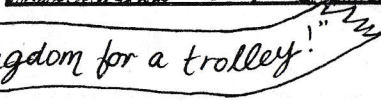
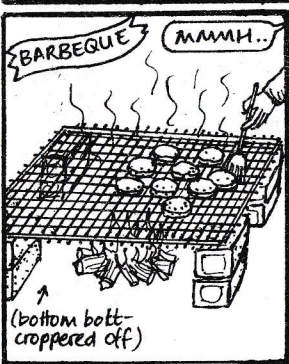
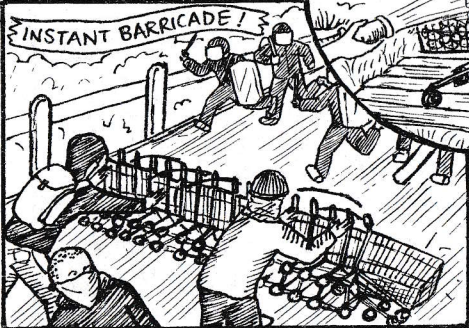
...AS WELL AS BIKE DEMOS, SMALLER ANTI CLIMATE CHANGE AND ANTI WAR ACTIONS, AND ON FRIDAY, A STREET PARTY AGAINST THE PROPOSED M74 MOTORWAY IN GLASGOW.
BUT WE DIDN'T EXACTLY HAVE THE UPPER HAND ANYMORE, AND PEOPLE WERE LEAVING AS SOON AS THEY COULD.



nearly as useful as gaffa tape... the SHOPPING TROLLEY!

DURING THE 60s, RESOURCEFUL PRO-TESTORS DISPLAYED THE MANY USES OF THE HUMBLE SHOPPING TROLLEY...

TRANSPORT FOR KITCHENS
CAREFUL IT'S BUMPY HERE
CAN'T SEE ANYTHING ANYWAY

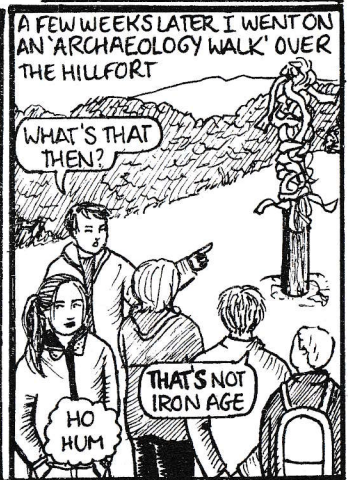
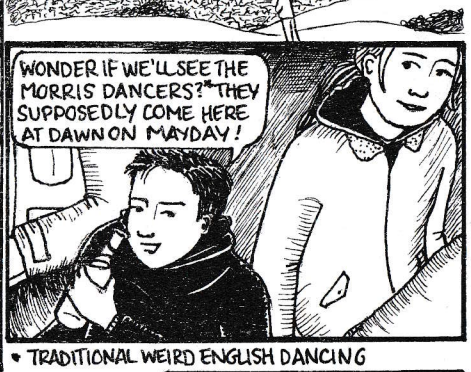


"A kingdom for a trolley!"

Greeting the May

HOLLINGBURY HILLFORT IS ONE OF MY FAVOURITE PLACES IN BRIGHTON. YOU'VE GOT A GREAT VIEW FROM UP THERE, AND IT'S ALL OLD...

ANYWAY, A BUNCH OF PEOPLE HAD A FIRE THERE THE NIGHT BEFORE MAYDAY.



Brustkrebs

(GERMAN FOR BREAST CANCER)

I'M THE ONLY CHILD OF A GERMAN FATHER AND KOREAN MOTHER WHO LIVE IN GERMANY. MY DAD'S BEEN OUT OF WORK SINCE I WAS LITTLE DUE TO ILLNESS, AND MY MUM IS A RETIRED CAREWORKER. I VISIT WHEN I CAN AND WE'RE PRETTY CLOSE.

SO ME & MY FRIEND WENT OVER



MY PARENTS CALLED IN OCTOBER



MY MUM'S BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER CELLS IN HER BREAST! THEY'RE NOT AGGRESSIVE YET, BUT SHE NEEDS AN OPERATION...

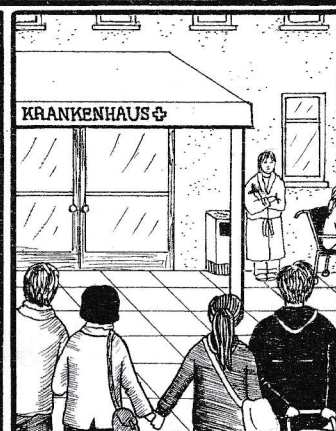


1P FLIGHTS! THERE'S SOMETHING VERY WRONG WITH THAT



I'VE WRITTEN EVERYTHING YOUR DAD CAN EAT DOWN HERE. AND DON'T FORGET TO WIPE THE WINDOWS... YOU KNOW, I'VE NEVER HAD AN OPERATION BEFORE?

MY CHATTY MUM!



SO WE CHECKED MY MUM INTO HER ROOM AT THE LOCAL HOSPITAL

CUTE PINK PJAMAS W/ POLKA DOTS!

I BOUGHT THESE FOR THE HOSPITAL.. THAT'S WHAT YOU WEAR HERE, YES?



AND THE NEXT DAY SHE GOT WHEELED AWAY TO HAVE A LUMP IN HER BREAST CUT OUT.

DON'T WORRY, YOU TWO...

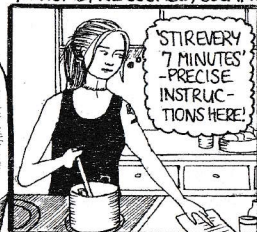


SHE WOKE UP AND WAS FINE!

...AND I HAD ALL THESE DREAMS!

AREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE MORE TIRED AFTER ANAESTHETIC?

AT HOME, WE COOKED, CLEANED & PROVIDED MY DAD COMPANY



STIREVERY 7 MINUTES - PRECISE INSTRUCTIONS HERE!



OH, WILL YOU GET THE SHIMA?

KOREAN CARD GAME



WE VISITED MY MUM EVERY DAY

YES, AND GET MY LOWER BACK TOO, OH I SWEAT SO MUCH SINCE MENOPAUSE.

HER BREAST IS ALL LUMPY!

NOW THAT JUST SEEMED RIDICULOUS. WE WENT HOME AFTER PROMISING WE'D BE BACK WHEN NEEDED.



SO, WHY DO THEY TAKE BREASTS OFF TO PREVENT CANCER, AND NOT ROUTINELY CUT OFF BOLLOCKS AGAINST PROSTATE CANCER? ... WHERE'S THE PROSTATE ANYWAY? FUCK! I DON'T KNOW SHIT!

MY MUM HAD BOTH HER BREASTS REMOVED 10 YEARS AGO

MY MUM HAD THE SAME - PRECANCEROUS

MY NAN HAD CHEMOTHERAPY FOR BREAST CANCER.



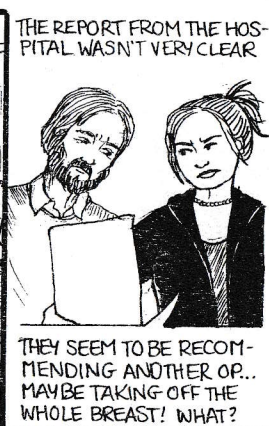
...AND THEY WERE GOING TO OPERATE ON THE 13TH! I REFUSED - SO UNLUCKY! NOW IT'S ON THE 14TH, BUT WE GO THERE TOMORROW...



5 DAYS AFTER OP- MUM COULD LEAVE!

IT'S NICE TO BE HOME!

AND LOOK, WE CLEANED ALL THE FLOORS LAST NIGHT!



THE REPORT FROM THE HOSPITAL WASN'T VERY CLEAR

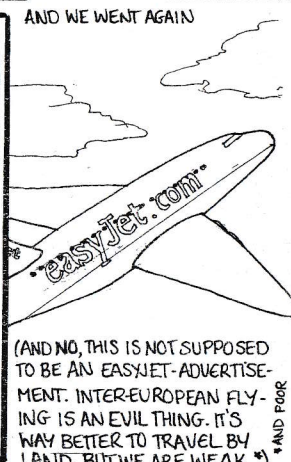
THEY SEEM TO BE RECOMMENDING ANOTHER OP... MAYBE TAKING OFF THE WHOLE BREAST! WHAT?

AND WE WENT AGAIN



SO THEY WANT TO DO JUST A SMALL CUT, TO GET A BIT MORE OUT TO BE ON THE SAFE SIDE.

WHEN? HOW? WELL OF COURSE WE'LL COME!



(AND NO, THIS IS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE AN EASYJET-ADVERTISEMENT. INTER-EUROPEAN FLYING IS AN EVIL THING. IT'S WAY BETTER TO TRAVEL BY LAND. BUT WE ARE WEAK...)



WE MET KOREANS AT THE HOSPITAL

한국 음식 좋아하세요? 왜냐하면 저 정말 먹어요. 그럼 불고기 먹읍시다! 네! ...

LOOK, THEY'RE ALREADY LIKE BEST FRIENDS!



THEY MANAGED TO GET A ROOM TOGETHER

SHE LOOKS SO NICE!



I HOPE SHE'S ALRIGHT...

THIS TIME, I WANTED TO KNOW MORE, SO I DID SOME RESEARCH.



CANCER IS WHEN CELLS REPRODUCE IN A DETERIORATING MANNER, AND AGGRESSIVELY SPREAD, IMPAIRING A BODY'S HEALTHY FUNCTIONING. BREAST CANCER IS LIFE THREATENING WHEN 'METASTASES' OCCUR, I.E. IT SPREADS TO OTHER VITAL FUNCTIONS OF THE BODY. IT'S BECOMING MORE + MORE COMMON IN WOMEN, AND ONCE YOU'VE BEEN TREATED FOR IT RECURRENCES ARE STILL ALWAYS POSSIBLE. WOMEN ARE MORE ENCOURAGED TO GO FOR SCREENINGS AND DETECT CANCER EARLY. THIS HAS LED TO A HUGE RISE IN PRECANCEROUS ACCUMULATIONS BEING FOUND AND GETTING TREATED, AS IN MY MUM.

THESE ARE NON AGGRESSIVE BUILD UPS OF CANCER CELLS THAT MAY TURN AGGRESSIVE SOME DAY. DOCTORS OF COURSE WILL ENCOURAGE TREATMENT, COURSES OF MEDICINES AND THERAPIES; THAT'S THEIR LIVELIHOOD AFTER ALL. BUT ALL CONVENTIONAL TREATMENTS HAVE SIDE EFFECTS AND POSSIBLE COMPLICATIONS. EVEN MAMMOGRAMS - THE USUAL DETECTION SCREENING - WHICH IS A SERIES OF X-RAYS, COULD DO HARM - RADIATION IS A CANCER RISK FACTOR, TOO. NONE OF THIS REALLY FILLS ME WITH TRUST. IT SEEMS THE DAYS ARE GONE WHERE BREAST CANCER WASN'T SPOKEN ABOUT AND DOCTORS REMOVED BREASTS LEFT RIGHT AND CENTRE.

NOW THERE'S TONS OF PATIENT INFORMATION + SUPPORT LITERATURE, CAMPAIGNS + GROUPS. BUT IN THE END, A WOMAN STILL ONLY CAN FOLLOW THE OPTIONS GIVEN HER BY THE 'EXPERTS' AND IS BASICALLY AT THE MERCY OF THE MEDICAL INDUSTRY. OKAY I DON'T THINK, IN ANY WAY, THAT YOU CAN OR SHOULD CURE CANCER WITH SOME TEA TREE OIL, OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. BUT A WOMAN'S OWN, SELF DETERMINED APPROACH TO BREAST CANCER IS, DESPITE INFO OVERLOAD, STILL VERY RESTRICTED. THE MAIN THING THAT STRIKES ME AS MISSING FROM THE PAMPHLETS (MOST OF WHICH ARE PRODUCED BY PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES) AND THE PINK COLOURED SUPPORT WEBSITES IS ANY CHALLENGE TO WHY WE GET CANCER. IT'S WELL ESTABLISHED THAT IN THE MODERN WORLD, WE'RE SURROUNDED BY CARCINOGENIC SUBSTANCES. FROM THE ORGANOCHLORINES IN OUR FOODS TO PETROCHEMICALS IN EVERYTHING ELSE BOMBARDED WITH AND THE SUPPORT GET THRU IT - DON'T THAT HAPPENS."



MY MUM GOT THRU THE SURGERY WELL WHEN WE GOT HOME I PRESENTED HER WITH MY FINDINGS

AND CUT OUT THE ARTIFICIAL SWEETENERS. EAT LOTS OF SEAWEED...



SHE'S GOT TOUGH SKIN, SHE'LL HANDLE RADIATION FINE...

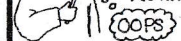
I HOPE IT'LL ALL BE OK...

I NEVER SUNBURN! DON'T YOU WORRY!



Conventional breast cancer treatments:

SURGERY - CUTTING OUT THE CANCEROUS CELLS - OF COURSE IT CAN GO FINE BUT ALSO NOT...



LYMPH NODE REMOVAL

- IN SURGERY. OFTEN DONE IF ANY SPREAD OF CANCER IS SUSPECTED TO AID THE DIAGNOSIS. CAN LEAD TO SWELLING OF THE ARM, SOMETIMES PERMANENT

RADIATION - TO MAKE ANY CELLS THAT WEREN'T REMOVED BY SURGERY DESTROY THEMSELVES. RASHES AND SUNBURN LIKE EFFECTS ARE COMMON, IT CAN ALSO EFFECT THE IMMUNE SYSTEM



HORMONE THERAPY - IF THE CANCER CELLS ARE ESTROGEN-RECEPTIVE THIS'LL BE GIVEN, OFTEN OVER YEARS. MANY EFFECTS POORLY UNDERSTOOD.

CHEMOTHERAPY - IF CANCER IS SPREAD THRU BODY. MEDICINES ATTACK ALL MULTIPLYING CELLS, HEALTHY OR ILL, HENCE LOTS OF SIDE EFFECTS

useful resources:

- DR SUSAN LOVE'S 'BREAST CANCER BOOK' WWW.SUSANLOVE.MD.ORG
- WWW.OURBODIESOURSELVES.ORG GENERAL FEMINIST Q'S HEALTH
- SUSAN WEEB 'BREAST CANCER? BREAST HEALTH!' VERY HIPPISSH BUT SOUND ADVICE ON NUTRITION + MORE
- WWW.HEALINGWELL.COM/LIBRARY/BREASTCANCER - LOTS A LINKS
- WWW.BREASTCANCERCARE.ORG.UK
- NHS INFO PARTNER
- WWW.BREASTCANCER.ORG - BIG US. INFO SITE
- ALL THE ABOVE HAVE BREAST SELF EXAM TIPS - GET SELF EXAMINING!

peculiar decorations



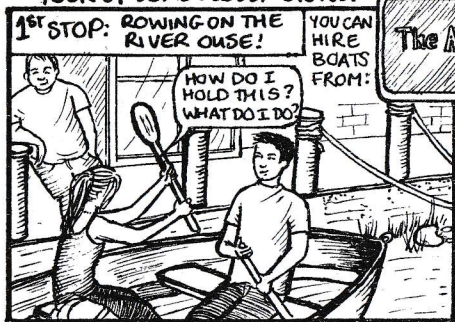
THIS HAS BEEN A RANDOM 'DECORATIONS' SPOT SINCE THE COWLEY CLUB, OUR SOCIAL CENTRE, OPENED. I THINK IT ALL STARTED WITH A TOY DINOSAUR LEFT ON TOP THERE, WHICH SOON GOT TURNED INTO...

OTHER TOYS THAT HAVE APPEARED ON THE COUNTER INCLUDE...



BROWN ROAD SIGNS!!!

THEY DENOTE SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS, FROM LEGOLAND TO THE BLUEBELL RAILWAY TO A TOY MUSEUM.. I'M OBSESSED WITH THEM! I WANT TO VISIT EVERY SINGLE ONE! FOR MY BIRTHDAY THIS YEAR, MY FRIEND TOOK ME ON A TOUR OF SOME SUSSEX SIGNS!



1ST STOP: ROWING ON THE RIVER OUSE!

YOU CAN HIRE BOATS FROM:

The Anchor

A HELICOPTER!

WE SAW GIANT DRAGONFLIES



AND DAMSELFLIES

HURRY UP & GET IT ON, YOU ONLY LIVE ONE DAY!

OF COURSE WE HAD A PINT, THEN WENT ON TO...



MMM SUSSEX ALE...

Mitchelham Priory

A PRIORY FROM 1229, THEN IN PRIVATE OWNERSHIP, THERE'S A WATERMILL, A FORGE, GARDENS... AND A BIG OLD BUILDING FILLED WITH RANDOM DISPLAYS...



THE LAWN'S SO ENGLISH!



THERE'S ART OVER HERE

THIS HAS A WW2 MEMORABILIA EXHIBITION



OOH! LOOK AT THE TINY BOOKS! AND THE CUTLERY!

KNEW SHE'D LIKE THIS.



... OH AND TONS OF OLD PEOPLE

IT'S NICE HERE, ISN'T IT?

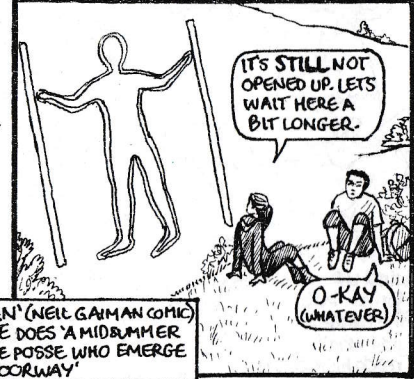
MMH, REMINDS ME OF 1947 WHEN I WERE OFF...

WE HAD A PICNIC BY THE MOAT AND THEN DROVE ON TO THE...

Long Man

OF WILMINGTON! IT'S CARVED INTO THE CHALK AND ITS ORIGINS ARE A MYSTERY! OOH!

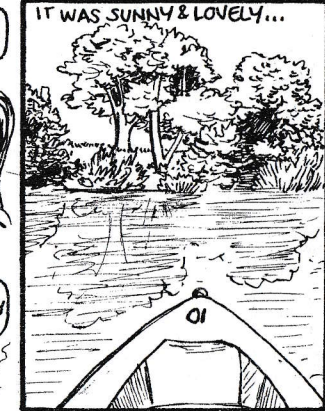
THERE'S A GREAT 'SANDMAN' (NEIL GAIMAN COMIC STORY WHERE SHAKESPEARE DOES 'A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM' TO A FAERIE POSSE WHO EMERGE THROUGH THE LONG MAN 'DOORWAY')



IT'S STILL NOT OPENED UP. LETS WAIT HERE A BIT LONGER.

O-KAY (WHATEVER)

Obscure Museum
Random Thing to Look at



IT WAS SUNNY & LOVELY...



THEN WE WALKED BACK TO THE VAN THROUGH A FIELD OF COWS!

DON'T LINGER, THEY'LL NOTICE US!

WE GOT A COFFEE IN THE VILLAGE & THEN:

Ashdown Forest



SHIT! IT'S A GIANT SNAKE! I'LL SLOWLY.. BACK.. OFF...

OF COURSE, WE HAD TO STOP AT...



PUNK FUCKEN ROCK!



YOU AREN'T COMING IN?

IT'S COLD! CRAZY MAN.



WE WENT TO A LOVELY CAMPSITE IN THE ASHDOWN FOREST

OK LETS GO GET WOOD FOR A FIRE I'LL LOOK YOU IN-NER ON IT!

OOH HOW MANLY

I HAVE FROZEN VEGGIEBURGERS

SOO NICE! 14,000 ACRES OF HEATH AND WOODS. LOTS OF IT STILL HELD IN COMMON!



WE GOT LOST... BUT IT WAS PRETTY

WHERE'S THE EXIT FROM THIS BOG?!

I'M SINKING! HELP!

THEN WE STOPPED AT:

Barnsgate Manor Vineyard

WHERE THERE WERE LLAMAS FOR SOME REASON. WE BOUGHT WINE

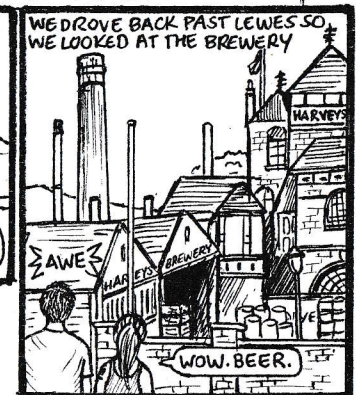


A MINIBUS UNLOADED INTO IT SHORTLY AFTER WE GOT THERE

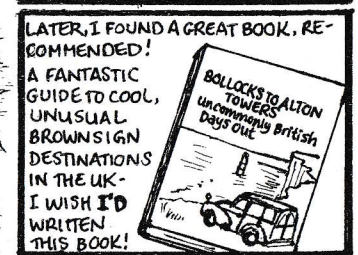
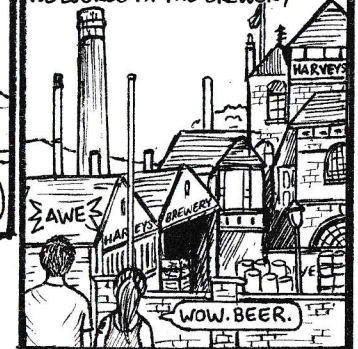
"The Church on the Hill" Eastbourne

EH, BACK IN 1923 WHEN...

THEN WE SPENT THE REST OF THE DAY AT SALTDEAN BEACH!



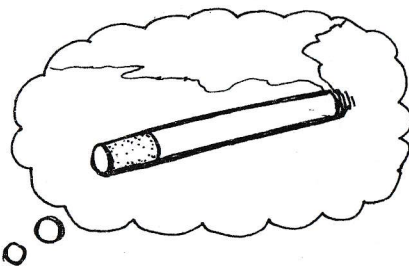
WE DROVE BACK PAST LEWES SO WE LOOKED AT THE BREWERY



LATER, I FOUND A GREAT BOOK, RECOMMENDED!

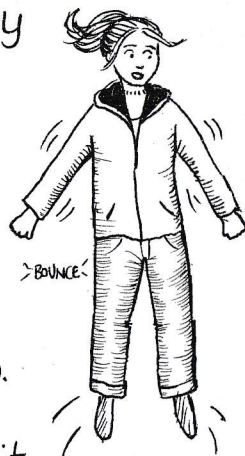
A FANTASTIC GUIDE TO COOL, UNUSUAL BROWNSIGN DESTINATIONS IN THE UK- I WISH I'D WRITTEN THIS BOOK!





i've not smoked a
cigarette for 6 days
now! after being a
smoker for 16 or so
years my resolve to NOT
be one is fairly
strong...

i entirely stopped from one day to the
next; no gum or patches. i was totally
manic for a day and a half, then i've
just felt ill. headaches, nausea, fever
and cramps, and that lovely cough you



get has just started too.
Withdrawal is tough
but i also certainly don't
want to go through this again!

i **REALLY** wanted a cigarette today...

i'm finding it hard to concentrate
(and just trailed off there too...)

maybe sometime soon i'll feel way
healthy & fit and not just ill and i'll
prove to myself that non-smoking is better...

