

DECEMBER

SUN 1 **WORLD AIDS DAY - SPEAKING LOVES NAME**
SHEFF HIKING DYKES

MON 2 GAYLINE
LL / WIL / NTU
WORLD AIDS DAY SPECTACULAR (MGM)

TUE 3 WIL / UN
HIDDEN TALENTS

WED 4 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51

THU 5 WIL
WIL / WAG
QUEER XMAS BALL

FRI 6 WIL / BAD
NWC 25TH BIRTHDAY LEIC WOMEN'S DISCO

SUN 8 MCC
SODS XMAS BASH
LEIC HIKING DYKES
CAFE QUENCH

MON 9 LL / WIL
LOUGH WOMEN'S BAR XMAS PARTY

TUE 10 WIL
THE WOMEN'S ROOM

WED 11 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51 / HESHIMA

THU 12 WIL / IWD PLANNING MEETING

FRI 13 WIL / WAG

SAT 14 WIL / BAD

SUN 15 MCC / CAFE QUENCH
NOTTM HYKING DYKES
SHEFF HIKING DYKES

MON 16 LL / WIL

TUE 17 WIL

WED 18 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51
WOMEN'S MUSIC NIGHT

THU 19 WIL

FRI 20 WIL / WAG / CELLOS

SAT 21 WIL / BAD

SUN 22 MCC / CAFE QUENCH
SHEFF HIKING DYKES

MON 23 LL / WIL

TUE 24 WIL

WED 25 **XMAS DAY AT LC**
Please check all details over the holiday period

THU 26

FRI 27 WIL / WAG

SAT 28 WIL / BAD

SUN 29 MCC / CAFE QUENCH
SHEFF HIKING DYKES
LESBIAN BREAKFAST

MON 30 LL / WIL

TUE 31 WIL / **CELLO'S PARTY**

JANUARY

WED 1 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51

THU 2 WIL / UN

FRI 3 WIL / WAG

SAT 4 WIL / BAD
NOTTM HYKING DYKES

SUN 5 MCC / CAFE QUENCH
LEIC HIKING DYKES

MON 6 LL / GAYLINE / WIL / NTU

TUE 7 WIL / UN

WED 8 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51 / HESHIMA
TALKBACK

THU 9 WIL

FRI 10 WIL / WAG

SAT 11 WIL / BAD

SUN 12 MCC / CAFE QUENCH

MON 13 LL / GAYLINE / WIL / NTU
LOUGH WOMEN'S BAR
WIL / UN
THE WOMEN'S ROOM

WED 15 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51
WOMEN'S MUSIC NIGHT

THU 16 WIL

FRI 17 WIL / WAG

SAT 18 WIL / BAD

SUN 19 MCC / CAFE QUENCH
NOTTM HYKING DYKES

MON 20 LL / GAYLINE / WIL / NTU
LESFEST PLANNING MEETING

TUE 21 WIL / UN
FUN & GAMES

WED 22 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51 / LCCG

THU 23 WIL / FRUITOPIA

FRI 24 WIL / WAG

SAT 25 WIL / BAD

SUN 26 MCC / CAFE QUENCH
LESBIAN BREAKFAST

MON 27 LL / GAYLINE / WIL / NTU

TUE 28 WIL / UN

WED 29 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51

THU 30 WIL

FRI 31 WIL / WAG

KEY

WIL Women's Information Library
WAG Women Are Gorgeous
LCCG Lesbian Centre
Coordinating Group
NTU Nottingham Trent University
UN University OF Nottingham
MCC Metropolitan Community Church
BAD Badminton
LL Lesbian Line
LC Lesbian Centre

FEBRUARY

SAT 1 WIL / BAD
THE WOMEN'S CEILIDH
MCC / CAFE QUENCH
LEIC HIKING DYKES

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TUE 4 WIL / UN

WED 5 LL / MCC / DROP-IN
BASE 51

THU 6 WIL

FRI 7 WIL / WAG

SAT 8 WIL / BAD

SUN 9 MCC / CAFE QUENCH

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WIL / UN
NOTTM LGB FORUM

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FRI 28 WIL / WAG

LOOKOUT FOR...

CAFÉ QUENCH
Nottingham's New Gay Café Bar,
open Sundays 11am - 11pm, at
Jallans, Byard Lane, Nottingham.

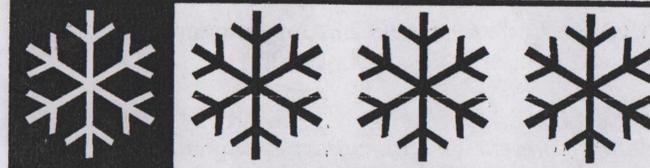
FRUITOPIA
Gay, lesbian and bisexual club at
Sub Club, Byron House, Nottm
Trent Uni, Shakespeare St. 4th
Thurs every month. Next dates,
23 Jan and 27 Feb, 8.00 -
2.00am. £2 NUS, £3 others

LOOKOUT!

ISSUE TWO

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1996/97



WINTER WARMER ISSUE

STOP PRESS... STOP PRESS...

LESBIAN FESTIVAL!

The Lesbian Centre is proposing to have 'LESFEST DAY' at Nottm Women's Centre in October 1997. This will be a day for ourselves, to exchange information, join in workshops, be entertained, eat and drink, socialise, and have fun. Your thoughts and ideas are what is needed at this stage to ensure that the daytime and evening activities are varied and interesting. Meet up for an informal first planning meeting Mon 20 Jan 1997 at 8pm to discuss ideas or write in via LC pigeon hole.

THE WOMEN'S CEILIDH

Saturday 1 February 1997 8 - 11.30
YMCA, Shakespeare Street, Nottingham
0115 956 7600

Featuring the eminently danceable
sounds of...

TOKEN WOMEN

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN REFRESHMENTS

Wheelchair accessible
£6.00, £4.00, £2.50

Here it is, the second issue, full of information and listings for lesbians in Nottinghamshire - a window into a women's winter wonderland. From Ceilidhs to Carpentry, Health to Hyking, it's all here...we hope!

WORLD AIDS DAY 1996

SPEAKING LOVE'S NAME - An informal candlelight gathering of remembrance, care and concern on Sun 1 Dec, 4pm, at The Friends Meeting House, Queens Rd Leicester. For more info ring Margaret Morris on 0116 273 3377.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 1997

90th year celebration on Fri 7 Mar at Nottingham Women's Centre. The planning group next meets on Thu 12 Dec, 10.30 - 12.30. Anyone is welcome to come along and help organise the day's activities and evening events. For info ring 0115 941 1475 and ask for a planning group member.

CHRISTMAS DAY 1996

If you don't 'do' Christmas, but want to just 'chill out' with others, come to the Lesbian Centre from 4pm onwards for company, music and candlelight. Bring food and drink to share. Hot drinks available. Contact LL for more information.

THANKYOU

The Lesbian Parenting Group (no longer meeting) has generously donated their outstanding funds to the Lesbian Centre to be used for the benefit of lesbian parents and their children. LCCG have agreed to buy items to make the room more lesbian parent and child friendly and to use the remainder for LOOKOUT!

LESBIAN PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP

Tues 14 Jan, 7 - 9pm @ Lesbian Centre. If you are interested in joining this new group contact LL or Switch for more info. Children welcome. Childcare may be available at future events.

INFORMATION FOR LESBIANS IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

LESBIAN INTEREST GROUPS

NOTTINGHAM HIKING DYKES Walks usually in Derbyshire 3rd Sun of the month. Bring lunch. 6-10 miles with teasop on the way. Next walks: Sun 15 Dec, a walk in the Vale of Belvoir, Sat 4 Jan, (with Leicester Hiking Dykes) a riverside/pub walk with no hills from Thurmaston, Sun 19 Jan, a walk to Alderwasley and Shining Cliff Woods. Contact LL/Switch for details.

LEICESTER HIKING DYKES Open to all women. Next walks: Sun 8 Dec Cotswolds, Sun 5 Jan Market Bosworth, Sun 2 Feb Chamwood Forest, Sun 2 Mar Peak District. Contact LL/ Switch for details.

SHEFFIELD HIKING DYKES A walking group for lesbians and women questioning their sexuality. Next walks: Sun 1 Dec from Wotton, Sun 15 Dec Strines Derwent Edge, Sun 22 Dec Baslow, Sun 29 Dec Redmires Reservoir. Contact Deena 0114 268 6409 or Pauline 01623 550209

TALKBACK DISCUSSION GROUP An informal, friendly group that meets every 2nd Wed of the month at 8pm at the Lesbian Centre to talk about issues of interest to lesbians. Dec discussion cancelled. Jan - "lively discussion around a surprise topic" Phone LL for Jan details.

WOMEN'S MUSIC NIGHT Women's Centre every 3rd Wed of the month. Come sing, play, jam, or just listen. All standards/styles. Lesbians and women questioning their sexuality welcome. Contact LL/Switch for details.

LESBIAN CENTRE CO-ORDINATING GROUP (LCCG) Meets 7.30pm 4th Wed of the month to discuss Centre biz, ideas, plans. All welcome. Write to LC or contact LL for further info.

BADMINTON All standards welcome to 'knock about' and/or play proper games every Sat, costs (£3.15 max) and court time shared between all those playing. Ring LL/Switch for details of times and venues.

WOMEN'S SPORTS NIGHT Hyson Green Community Centre has cancelled this due to lack of support. If you want it to be reinstated get in contact with others via the Women's/Lesbian Centre pigeon holes.

LESBIAN SOCIAL/SUPPORT GROUPS

MCC - Church for lesbians, gays and bisexuals. Meetings and coffee @ Queens Walk Community Centre, The Meadows, every Sun 11.30 - 12.30 and Drop In every Wed 11.00 - 3.00. Contact Pam Haynes, Lay Leader on 01623 748942

WAG (WOMEN ARE GORGEOUS) - Games night with darts, table tennis, pool and tiddly winks... with prizes! Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. Fri 28 Feb from 8.30pm at the LC.

LESBIAN CENTRE DROP-IN - Meets every Wed 11 - 3pm. Enjoy a chat, a game of pool, darts, refreshments. Young children welcome, creche available. Currently no wheelchair access. Induction loop available. Volunteers to help run the Drop-In are always welcome. Call LL/Switch for info.

SELF INSEMINATION GROUP - Currently not meeting. Are there any women interested in getting it going again? Contact LL/Switch for details.

NOTTINGHAM LGB FORUM - Next meeting Tue 11 Feb, 7.30pm at CVS, 33 Mansfield Rd, Nottingham. Individuals and representatives from community groups welcome to share information and access help and publicity. There are also groups working with the County Council on community safety, education and the youth service. Details from Tim or Simon at the GAI project, 0115 947 6868

PASTELS - Telephone support for partners and spouses of lesbian, gay or bisexual people. Contact LL/Switch for details.

NOTTINGHAM BLACK LESBIAN GROUP - Lesbians who choose to define themselves as Black and who share a common experience of racism based on skin colour, and whose heritage may include African, African-Caribbean, South East Asian and Asian. Set up in 1989 for mutual support and making links with each other, the group has played an active part in the Lesbian Centre and as part of The Women's Centre General Committee. Now we need more enthusiastic Black lesbians who are willing to put energy into the group. The group has its own space within the Women's Centre that is for Black Lesbians only. If you are interested in attending the group, or would like more information, a member of the group can be contacted through Lesbian Line.

DYKE SERVICES

WOMAN TO WOMAN - A new nationwide introduction service aimed at 'gay professional women', aged 25 and over who prefer not to socialise on the scene and who are looking for new friends or maybe someone special. For details ring Jan Richards on 0115 922 8022

LESBIAN CENTRE - on the first floor at the Women's Centre is newly decorated and available for any lesbian to book free for any event. To book write to Steph, c/o The Lesbian Centre, Women's Centre, 30 Chaucer Street. Sorry, no wheelchair access - stairs only. It may be of interest to Lesbians using the Centre during weekdays that there is a catering unit, Creative Catering, selling sandwiches, drinks and confectionery in Chaucer Court Workshops behind Women's Centre until 2pm.

Please note, unless specified as lesbian only these various groups, services and events may apply to all women or to lesbian gay & bisexuals.

LESBEWELL - National health promotion group for lesbians. Produces bi-monthly newsletter - "Dykenosis". Contact Lesbewell, PO Box 4048, Moseley, Birmingham, B13 8DP. Subscriptions £6 (£3 low waged)

WOMEN'S INFORMATION LIBRARY (WIL) - A large selection of lesbian books available for borrowing. Open Mon 12 - 2pm, Tues 12 - 2pm, Thurs 11 - 3pm, Fri eve on request at WAG, and Sat 11 - 2pm.

For confidentiality some private numbers have been transferred to the following lines. Ring:

Lesbian Line (LL)
0115 941 0652

Lesbian & Gay Switchboard (Switch)
0115 941 1454

TRAINING

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE WOMEN'S TRAINING SCHEME (NWTS) - Victoria Workshop, 1 Cairns St. Women only Basics Courses running throughout Jan, Feb and March. Courses available in Painting and decorating, Carpentry/Joinery, Driving with confidence (especially for women with full licences who have little experience of driving), Electronics/home electricals, Computing and Plumbing. Courses are 1 day a week for 5 weeks. Free childcare and travel costs. Throughout Feb and March one of the courses will be targeted for women users of the mental health services. Phone 9586236 for more information.

NOTTINGHAM WOMEN'S CENTRE COURSES - Various courses starting in January 1997 including Self defence, RSA Computer Literacy and Information Technology, Art, Basic Counselling Skills and How to Start up a Business. Contact Pauline Dorey at the Women's Centre for more details.

STARTING YOUR OWN BUSINESS? - 3 workspace units available to rent at Nottm Women's Centre. TED Project provides help and advice with business plans, training, grants & accounts. Free creche. Ring Pauline Dorey on 0115 924 0041 for more info.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/ADVERTS

END OF SUMMER DANCE - Scheduled to take place on Sat 28th Sep, 1996, unfortunately did not happen. The Women's Centre would like to make it clear that this event was organised and cancelled by an individual who rented the room, and that the Women's Centre played no part in its organisation or subsequent cancellation.

OLDER LESBIANS IN NEWARK - Older lesbian living in Newark wishes to meet/socialise with others of similar age (60ish). Please get in touch through Lesbian Centre pigeon hole.

WOMEN'S FOLK BAND - seeks singer interested in Scots folk music. Ring Morag on 0115 985 6981.

'FUN AND GAMES' - An evening of non-traditional, non-competitive games. Tue 21 Jan, 8pm in social space at Nottm Women's Centre.

* Let us know if you want to be added to the mailing list, want a copy of Issue 1, wish to make a donation towards LOOKOUT!'S costs, want to help produce it, or have any feedback. Deadline for next issue: 14 February. Address to write to: LOOKOUT!, The Lesbian Centre, Nottm Women's Centre, 30 Chaucer Street, Nottm, NG1 5LP

OUT AND ABOUT

THE LESBIAN BREAKFAST
Last Sunday of each month
11 - 2pm £1.50/£2/£2.50
Lesbian Centre, NWC, 30 Chaucer St, Nottingham
Food, drink, papers, music
Children welcome
NEXT BREAKFAST: SUNDAY 29TH DECEMBER

CELLO'S NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY at The Sub Bar, Byron House, Shakespeare Street (Nottingham Trent University), 31.96, 9pm to 2am. Advance Tickets £7, on the door £10. Tickets from Mushroom, Café Quench, Cello's club nights.

WORLD AIDS DAY 96 SPECTACULAR Presented by the GAI Project & Peter Sleaze Sister Martine at MGM, Nottingham on Mon 2 Dec, 9.30pm.

THE QUEER XMAS BALL A mixed lesbian and gay dinner-dance and disco. Fri 6 Dec, Grand Hotel, Granby St, Leicester. Ticket only, £21 from Jo or Jen on 0116 270 9835.

THE WOMEN'S ROOM
Women only café night at the Alley Café
Tuesday 10th December 1996
Tuesday 14th January 1997
Veggie/Vegan food, delicious non-alcoholic drinks
Non-smoking in café, smoking area available
(up alley between Oasis and Feedback on Long Row West, Nottingham city centre, opposite Odeon Cinema and Library)

WOMEN'S DISCO Sat 7 Dec at 'The Centre', 45 King Street, Leicester. 8 till Late. Food and some booze provided - bring a bottle to 'top up'! Admission £2 waged, £1 unwaged. Proceeds to Leicester Hiking Dykes

SODS
SEXY OLD DYKES
CHRISTMAS BASH
1pm, Sunday 8th December
'The Centre', 45 King Street, Leicester
Telephone 0116 2547412 for more info

NOTTINGHAM WOMEN'S CENTRE'S
25TH BIRTHDAY
at NWC, 30 Chaucer Street
Saturday 7th December 10.00 - 4.00
Craft Fair, Tarot readings, Displays, Computer, Mosaic and Silkscreen workshops, Speakers, Exhibitions
EVENING DISCO AND CABARET
8.00 onwards
for more information phone 0115 941 1475

HIDDEN TALENTS CABARET & DISCO Women only, Skyy Club, Alfreton Rd, Tue 3 Dec, 1st act 9.30pm, £2 / £3.50
If you want to perform ring LL.

BROADWAY
Mon 16 - Tue 17 Dec:
'JEFFREY'
Fri 27 Dec - Thu 9 Jan (excl 31 & 1):
'I SHOT ANDY WARHOL'