

Sat 1	BAD/Lip Service	Dec	Tues 1	Jan 2002	Fri 1	Feb 2002
Sun 2			Wed 2		Sat 2	BAD
Mon 3			Thurs 3	BAD	Sun 3	
Tues 4	Women's Cafe		Fri 4		Mon 4	
Wed 5	MCC		Sat 5	BAD	Tues 5	
Thurs 6	BAD		Sun 6		Wed 6	
Fri 7			Mon 7		Thurs 7	BAD/ Lookout! copy date
Sat 8	BAD		Tues 8		Fri 8	WAG
Sun 9			Wed 9		Sat 9	BAD
Mon 10			Thurs 10	BAD	Sun 10	
Tues 11	A-MAZE-ING		Fri 11	WAG	Mon 11	
Wed 12	Womenwith Hill		Sat 12	BAD	Tues 12	
Thurs 13	BAD		Sun 13		Wed 13	
Fri 14			Mon 14		Thurs 14	BAD
Sat 15	BAD/WAG PARTY		Tues 15		Fri 15	
Sun 16	Hyking Dykes/MCC		Wed 16		Sat 16	BAD
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**Out House cont**

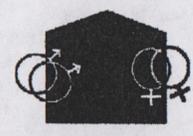
Currently the Out House is working for our communities by being an active part of the Notts Police LGBT consultative group (New members welcome) which set up the Homophobic Incident Reporting Line 0800 858522, the relaunched Notts LGB Forum (see separate item) and the steering group of the new LGB young peoples group "Out Burst" (meets Fridays - details from GAI project on 947 5414) Angela Mason, Director of Stonewall, was the guest speaker at our recent, successful AGM. She spoke passionately about their current work and the three issues we should all try to move forward.

The basic right not to be discriminated against would enable us to take our part in society as equal citizens. A European Union Bill outlawing discrimination in the work place on (among other things) the grounds of sexual orientation will make our government have legislation in place by the end of 2003. Secondly, signs from the government suggest that the repeal of Section 28 may come next year or in 2003. The big issue at the moment is Partnership rights.

Rather than go down the road of a sort of gay marriage, which would involve a possible battle with church and other groups, the approach is to allow partnerships to be registered and have laws that give rights - inheritance, pensions, next of kin etc.

A Ten Minute Rule Bill was successful in the Commons a couple of weeks ago; this gives the right to present a full Bill to Parliament. However, as this would be unlikely to succeed due to lack of Parliamentary time, the approach will be to put pressure on the government to introduce a Bill in the next couple of years (write to your MP in support of this issue).

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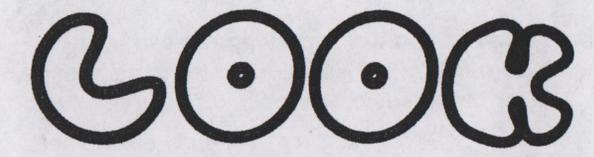


**NU Lesbian & Gay Line (Term time)**  
 0115 9514999 8.00 - 10.00pm  
 Police Homophobic Crime Helpline  
 0115 967 6161

BAD Badminton  
 LC Lesbian Centre  
 LCCG Lesbian Centre Coordinating Group  
 LL Lesbian Line  
 MCC Metropolitan Community Church  
 For further info ring  
 Lesbian Line 0115 9410652

**LOOKOUT!**  
 Available on tape. Ring 0115 847 1544

For confidentiality some private numbers have been transferred to the following lines  
**Lesbian Line - LL - 0115 941 0652**  
**Lesbian & Gay Switchboard - Switch - 0115 934 8485**  
 PLEASE NOTE: Unless specified as lesbian only these groups, services and events may apply to all women or to lesbians, gays and bisexuals.



**Lesbian Line really really really urgently NEEDS volunteers.**  
 No experience needed, as fully training is provided ..... it's only a 4 hour time commitment per month and the community really benefits from the service. Telephone: (0115) 9410652 Mon & Wed 7-9pm.



**Gai's the word**  
 The GAI Project has just produced a new up-to-date version of the Gai Guide to Nottingham. This is a guide to LGBT services, community groups and venues in Nottingham and includes a handy map of the LGB scene. Copies available free from the Women's Centre,  
  
 The Health Shop or by contacting the GAI Project directly (0115) 9476868

**The Womens Cafe**  
 Women's Christmas Quiz: at the Real Art Café (Heathcote St.) 4th December, 7.30pm onwards. Bargain 50p admission towards fun, females & crackers!

**Volunteers to help with LOOKOUT!**  
 Telephone, lesbian line (0115) 9410652 (leave message if ansaphone on), or e-mail: nottslesbiancentre@nottsworld.com  
 Please help us or loose Lookout for good  
 nottslesbiancentre@nottsworld.com

**Womenwith Hill**  
**Women's Peace Camp[aign], December 12th Women's Gathering:**  
 Menwith Hill US Base  
 'Stop Star Wars: Stop War Spying: Stop Afghanistan War'  
 P.O. Box 105, Harrogate. HG3 2FE  
 Tel: 01943 468593 email: flossiemintballs@aol.com



Check **LOOKOUT!** online for regular updates...  
<http://lookout.netfirms.com>

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 How time flies blah blah blah etc....

**LipService**  
 Oscar Wilde's  
**The Importance of Being Ernest!**  
 is being performed by Lipservice - lesbian comedy duo - at the York Theatre Royal 27th Nov-1st December.  
 For more information (including box office numbers) contact [www.lip-service.net](http://www.lip-service.net) or e-mail [info@lip-service.net](mailto:info@lip-service.net)

**A-Maze-ing!**  
 The Maze (North Sherwood St.) is holding a performance competition 11th December, 7.30 onwards.  
 If you want to perform, just sign up. Serious, humorous, loving, angry, sad, passionate - the mike is open.  
 For more information: (0115) 9157231 or (01623) 647229.

**WAG** (aka Woman Are Gorgeous) - There will be no WAG meeting on the 14th December. Christmas party 15th December - all lesbians and women questioning their sexuality welcome.  
 Bring drink and food. Music, chat, dancing, 8pm till late.  
**Next dates January 11th and 8th February.**

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## FOR SALE

### Furniture

- Dining table, round, mahogany effect, one metre diameter, seats up to five, very good condition, £45.
- Pine fitted bedroom units, triple wardrobe with hanging space and shelves and over bed unit with cupboards, single wardrobe and drawer. £30 each.
- Desk with two drawers, 2 ft by 3 ft, very good condition £20.

### Computer Equipment

- Computer dictation programmes, Dragon Point And Speak £20, L & H Voice Express Advanced £35.
- Computer anti-glare screen, fits up to 17 inch monitor, £20.

### Kitchen Equipment

- Toaster £5.
- Phillips Cucina hand blender, pastel blue and cream, detachable dishwasher safe blade unit, brand new, never used, £10.
- Electric Filter coffee maker, washable filter, makes up to 10 cups, £5.

more info...Tel: 0115 847 1544 or e-mail: morag@ntlworld.com

## Sheffield Hiking Dykes

It's a walking group for lesbians and women questioning their heterosexuality.



Contact Louise 0114 2671706, Deena 0114 268 6409 or Pauline 01623 550209. Full walk list available at [www.hikingdykes.co.uk](http://www.hikingdykes.co.uk)

Wed Dec 19th. Meet at car park near Walkley Tilt on Rivelin Valley Rd on B6101. Loxley Valley walk approx. 5 miles

Wed Jan 23rd. Meet at Linacre Reservoirs car park (GR 836 728) Walk round the reservoirs.

## Need a Boost?!

'Tips on How to Boost your Self Esteem & Assertiveness' from 7th January 2002 - 28th January (Mondays 7-9pm). Women only. Fees £45, at Nottingham Counselling Centre,

32 Heathcoat Street, Nottingham. Rosjke Hasseldine, course facilitator, can be contacted on (0115) 9814535 e-mail: [rosjke.hasseldine@ntlworld.com](mailto:rosjke.hasseldine@ntlworld.com). 4 Mulberry Close, West Bridgford. NG2 7SS

## Welcome to the Metropolitan Community Church

of Nottingham, part of a Christian Denomination with special outreach for anyone who feels excluded by established religious groups, especially members of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities. Services every Sunday, 11.30am at Queens Walk Community Centre, Houseman Gardens, The Meadows, Nottingham.

### Christmas services

5th December - Leicester LGB Centre  
16 December - The Central pub, Nottingham 6:00pm  
23rd December - St Andrew's Church, Goldsmith Street, Nottingham, 2pm

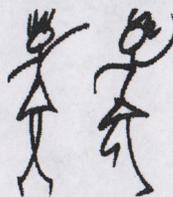
For more details call Des Nee on 0115 877 2732 or Margaret Gregory on 01332 872 143  
All calls treated in confidence



## Lookout for love!



There's an exciting new development within LookOut's pages: PERSONAL ADS. If you're a lesbian or bisexual woman looking for lurve,



or just more friends or pen pals then send your ads to us at LookOut. You've got a maximum for 40 whole words to sell yourself and (potentially) find your dream woman.



Mature eccentric, non-smoker and avid reader, happy with both silence and her own company, looking for new friends with whom to share garlic, red wine, good food and good music, gardens, birds and Buffy...**Box No. 1**

30's musician, enjoys music, current affairs, gardening, cooking, reading and other quiet pursuits, seeking new friends of similar age for relaxing times and conversation. **Box No. 2**

Warm, intelligent, sensual, passionate, honest, n/s, 34. Varied interests: walking, the outdoors, dance, music, art, travel, good food & friends, theatre, reading, meditation and yoga etc. Seeks woman to share richness of life. **Box No. 3**

## To reply to an advert.

Write your letter and place it in a stamped, sealed envelope with the box number written on the front. Place this in another stamped envelope and post to: Lookout! Personals replies, Nottingham Lesbian Community Centre, 30 Chaucer Street, Nottingham, N G 1 5 LP. Nobody will read your reply and it will be forwarded directly to the advertiser. Include your return address



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## Body Hair

We might shave it or grow it, love it or hate it. I'm interested in it. And I NEED YOU! My name is Merran Toerien, and I'm doing Ph.D. research on women's experiences of their body hair. I'm looking for women from all walks of life to take part in CONFIDENTIAL group discussions or one-to-one interviews about their own thoughts/ feelings/ beliefs/ experiences to do with body hair.

The discussions/interviews will be relaxed and open-ended. No special knowledge is needed. Time, date, location and choice of co-participants are all negotiable, and your input will be kept entirely ANONYMOUS. Refreshments will be provided.

If you would be able to help me by taking part in a group, please contact me by email, telephone or post. My email address is: [m.g.toerien@lboro.ac.uk](mailto:m.g.toerien@lboro.ac.uk) My phone number is 0870 012 6501 (this is NOT a mobile; answerphone attached - I'll call you back). My address is: Postgraduate Research Student, Dept Social Sciences, Loughborough University, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 3TU.  
**Thank you very much!**

## Azuka Befriending Scheme

Azuka: Befriending Scheme. If you're aged 16-25 and from an African, Asian or Caribbean background are homeless or having trouble living independently and are in need of support from someone who understands your situation...**LOOK NO FURTHER.**  
For further information: Paulette Francique, Azuka Befriending Scheme, 135 Lower Parliament St., NG1 1EE.



## Very Crafty!

Workshop run by a carpenter & joiner, provides an opportunity to learn new skills, and in the process make things for your home & garden, for your friends & family.



Tuesdays (Woodwork for experienced wood-workers), Wednesday (women only). Unit 1, Nottingham All Saints Centre, All Saints Church, Raleigh Street. For more info contact: Irene (0115) 9112522, or 07989 350279

## Lesbian Domestic Violence Project

Lesbian Domestic Violence Project  
Kerry Townley is researching domestic violence in lesbian relationships and is looking for women to complete her confidential questionnaire.  
Contact her: on (01509) 211 810, 0795 1032781,  
e-mail: [katown@yahoo.com](mailto:katown@yahoo.com)  
[k.a.townley2-00@student.lboro.ac.uk](mailto:k.a.townley2-00@student.lboro.ac.uk)

Sign of the Times The 'Lesbian Centre' sign is no more at The Women's Centre. It is, however, being replaced by a number, as are all the other rooms in the centre and a board will indicate who's using which room.



## FREE COURSES!

FREE CHILDCARE (NURSERY ON-SITE)  
FREE TRAVEL EXPENSES  
CITY CENTRE LOCATION

For women who are not currently working - aged between 16 and 59 - and who are living in Nottingham

## COURSES STARTING SOON INCLUDE...

Gardening and conservation  
Two and-a-half days per week, at an allotment in the fresh air.  
Mosaic making - Learn how to Mosaic those mirrors etc

...and lots more to choose from  
Phone 9150115 To receive your free information & application form

## NOTTINGHAM WOMEN'S TRAINING SCHEME

Victoria Workshops, 1 Cairn Street, Nottingham NG1

## URGENT

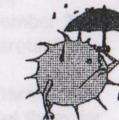
We desperately need volunteers to help with the running of the Lesbian Centre.

Meetings are held monthly and we need your input, ideas, comments and suggestions for what you would like to see at the Lesbian Centre. The more people we have, the more fun things we can create for lesbians to enjoy! Please contact us if you are interested - there is no compulsion to carry out any particular tasks unless you want to and you do not have to attend every meeting. Call Morag on 0115 847 1544 or write to or e-mail us.

[nottslesbiancentre@ntlworld.com](mailto:nottslesbiancentre@ntlworld.com)

## Now the Winter nights...

are drawing in and there's nothing much on the TV why not get involved in the.....wait for it ... COURSES FOR WOMEN at Nottingham Women's Centre. There's a wide variety of stimulating activities for those long dark evenings, including: yoga; Chinese art; interpreting skills and women into management. 2002.



## Training, Employment & Development Project Courses For Women

Gardening & Conservation : Mosaic Making  
Deaf Awareness : How to Start up a Business  
Making The Most Of Yourself  
Jan 2002  
ABC certificate in basic Counselling Skills  
Assertiveness- Stand Up For Yourself | Moving On  
Chinese Art | First Aid certificate 5  
Have A Go At Being Creative | Computing From Scratch  
Basic and Intermediate Computing: City & Guilds 730 Stage 1 :  
Sign Language BSL Stage 1 | How to Start up a Business  
Making The Most Of Yourself | Food Hygiene certificate  
Basic and Intermediate Computing: stage 1 RSA CLAIT and IBT2

Over 50? FREE Careers Advice + Guidance Sessions  
FREE Business Start Up Advice Sessions - ring to book a time

Crèche: we provide free crèche/ childcare for all day and evening courses. (2-5 years for week daytime course, any age for others). Childcare costs for 0-2yrs for some areas of the city  
Access: need to book: loop system, large print, sign language interpreter (all courses), wheelchair access and adapted toilets

## Some of these courses are FREE

Costs, more info + to book a place  
Pauline Dorey / Sue Atkinson 9240 041  
Training, Employment & Development Project, Nottingham Women's Centre, 30 Chaucer Street, Nottingham, NG1 5LP

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your contributions by these  
dates.



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## Would anyone like to help with this...

I am writing to you about research that I am undertaking into the  
experiences of lesbians and gay men aged over 50, and to  
request your assistance in contacting individuals or groups who  
may be interested in talking about their views and experiences.

The research I am undertaking is funded by the Economic and  
Social Research Council, and will be the first of its kind in Britain.

In brief, the aim of the research is identify a range of issues of  
importance for lesbians and gay men aged over 50 - be it personal  
issues like relationships, everyday issues like work, or policy issues  
like pensions.

For the moment my aim is to design a study that will be meaningful  
and relevant to lesbians and gay men themselves - and that will  
genuinely reflect their interests and concerns. To do this I would  
really appreciate the opportunity to organise a meeting of small  
groups (between 3-6) of lesbians and gay men aged over 50 to ask  
them what issues they think are important. This could take the form  
of an informal conversation or a more formal focus group.

I wondered, therefore, if you would be in a position to assist me in  
making contact with anyone - or any group - who might be interested  
in talking to me. I have enclosed copies of this letter so that you may  
pass it on to anyone you know who might be interested.

Further information on 0115 848 5588 or email  
Debbie.Thompson@ntu.ac.uk

Thanks for taking the time to consider this request

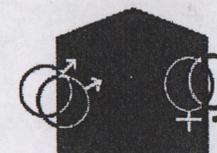


LOOKOUT!

It's your shout

## The Out House

will be Nottingham's first  
Community Centre for the  
Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual  
communities, providing a range  
of facilities and projects aiming  
to meet our needs. It will aim  
to be a welcoming, safe and inclusive space, and will  
be particularly appropriate for those of us who are not  
part of the scene. When completed it will have a café  
bar, information area, one large and three smaller meeting  
rooms, a lounge/library, lift, kitchens, toilets etc, and will  
be a focus for action in our communities. **The Out  
House needs your support in our push to get the  
centre completed.**



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## NOTTINGHAM HIKING DYKES

Fresh air and fun!

Are you a dyke who is keen on rambling or would you  
just like to get out in the fresh air and meet some  
like-minded women? We are a friendly group who  
meets every month, usually on the third Sunday.  
We normally walk 6-8 miles in Derbyshire,  
Leicestershire or Nottinghamshire and always end  
with a tea shop or pub!



Walks for the next few months are:

**Sunday 16th December** meet at the garden centre entrance at  
Staunton Harold - (Ferrers Centre) - off A42 near Ashby de la  
Zouch GR376210

**Sunday 20th January** - Outwoods, Beacon Hill or Bradgate Park  
followed by a tea party. Exact details not yet available.

**Sunday 17th February** - meet the Heage Tavern, Ripley Road,  
Heage off the A610.



All a prompt 10.30am departure. For more info contact: Mo  
Murray, or [www.nottinghamhd.homestead.com](http://www.nottinghamhd.homestead.com) Further  
information and up to date details of our walks are available on  
our website [www.nottinghamhd.homestead.com](http://www.nottinghamhd.homestead.com) or via our e-mail  
list (send your details to [hyking@celiac.clara.co.uk](mailto:hyking@celiac.clara.co.uk)). You can also  
contact the Nottingham Lesbian Line (0115 9410652) or send 4 x  
SAE's to Mo Nottingham HD, c/o Nottingham Women's Centre,  
Chaucer Street, Nottingham, (mark clearly Please Forward)

## Eternity New Years Eve Party

@The Rope Walk Nightclub, Derby Road, Notts.

7pm - 2am (last entry for non-ticket holders 11.30pm)

Advance tickets available at the Eternity night, November 24th @  
Rotunda Cafe Bar, Standard Hill, Nottingham (just around the  
corner from Nottingham Castle)

**Special Price Tickets @Eternity:** £6 members of Eternity

£8 non-members. Purchase 5 tickets or more and get them for  
£5 each.

**Booking tickets** by post, credit card or in person: £7 members, £9  
non-members, £5 per person is booking for 5 or more.

**Tickets can also be purchased** by post sending a cheque  
(payable to M Gribby) to Flat 1, 13 Lenton Avenue, Nottingham  
NG7 1DX (include a stamped addressed envelope). Or call our  
credit card hotline on 0115 9413548 (7 days a week 2pm - 10pm)  
and purchase your tickets using visa, switch, solo or mastercard  
with no extra charge for using the service.

You can also purchase tickets from Park Video @ 159 Derby  
Road, Notts (between 2pm and 10pm 7 days a week).

Tickets on sale until Dec 25th.

## Out House cont

So far we have managed to buy a building in the Hockley area and  
have done a small amount of refurbishment. Now we are working  
hard to raise quite a large amount of money to complete the pro-  
ject. This will not be easy, but we are confident that we will man-  
age this sometime in the next 18 months.

You can join the Out House for £1 and, at the moment, membership  
will last until the Centre is opened. For this you get a vote at our  
AGM, the chance to stand for the committee (!) and a copy of our  
regular newsletter which has news about what is currently happen-  
ing in the Out House Project and in the wider LGB communities.

**Membership forms are available from the Out House office on  
0115 911 0545 or Email [Outhousemark@AOL.com](mailto:Outhousemark@AOL.com). We would  
also welcome ideas on where we might get funding and offers  
of volunteer help.**

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