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OUT RIGHT

Gay Freesheet for the East Midlands



PRIDE IN THE PARK



PHOTO: Richard Mc.Cance

More Pride photos in this issue

LINCOLN GROUP BATTLES ON

A Lincoln Club owner has sacked its manager for booking a lesbian and gay disco. Following a long search by the Lincoln Lesbian and Gay Group the then manager of The New Robey Club John Smith agreed to the twice-monthly



disco. When the club owners found out they sacked him. It is believed

he is going to Industrial Tribunal for wrongful dismissal.

"Said organisers Jason Poole and Ian Borrill "It was pure homophobia, but we will beat them in the end." They transferred the event to the Swiss Cottage pub where they are already holding successful Tuesday pub nights. Meanwhile the twice monthly discos will continue at Swiss Cottage, Newland, Lincoln. The next disco takes place on Monday, 10th August from 9pm.

REACH OUT AND TOUCH

A procession with flowers from Speaker's Corner, Hyde Park to Trafalgar Square takes place on Sunday 23rd August. Initiated by the Brent HIV Centre and supported by a wide range of HIV and AIDS organisations, the procession begins with celebrity speakers at 2pm and ends with flower laying at Trafalgar Square at 4.30pm. Walkers are asked to carry flowers in remembrance, support and unity.

WIN YOURSELF SOME CASH!



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POPE COMES OUT



"MY SECRET LIFE AS A NIT NURSE"

The Papacy has issued a document claiming that gays and lesbians suffer from an "objective disorder". The document was produced by the Vatican's doctrinal watchdog for use by the Catholic Church in America where it is under siege from the so-called 'liberation theology' and was not intended for publication. "Sexual orientation does not constitute a quality comparable to race, ethnic background etc in respect to non-discrimination" claims the document. It goes on to say that discrimination against gays and lesbians is justified in adoption and fostering, military training, and the training of "teachers or athletic coaches". The document was condemned by the Lesbian and Gay Christian Movement and the Gay and Lesbian Humanist Association.

BECKET BLUNDER



Margaret Becket, Labour's new Deputy Leader has been condemned by the Labour Campaign for Lesbian and Gay rights for her comments on fostering, which imply that some groups of people, including lesbians and gays, are not suitable for consideration as foster parents. Her comments were contained in a letter to LCLGR which had been embargoed for publication until after votes had been cast in the deputy leadership contest. Margaret Beckett is MP for Derby South.

LIFE IS *not* THE SAME IF YOU'RE GAY.

The laws surrounding pensions make it difficult for unmarried couples to plan for retirement. When you are gay, it is not only the law that makes it difficult, it is the misconceptions surrounding intestacy and trusts. In other words, if you think you may ever want a partner to benefit from your pension plan in the event of your death you cannot leave it to chance.

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OUTlook

Arnie Gibbons is an out-gay Liberal Democrat Councillor for Knighton Ward in Leicester. "I was first elected at a bye-election in 1989 and was re-elected in 1991."

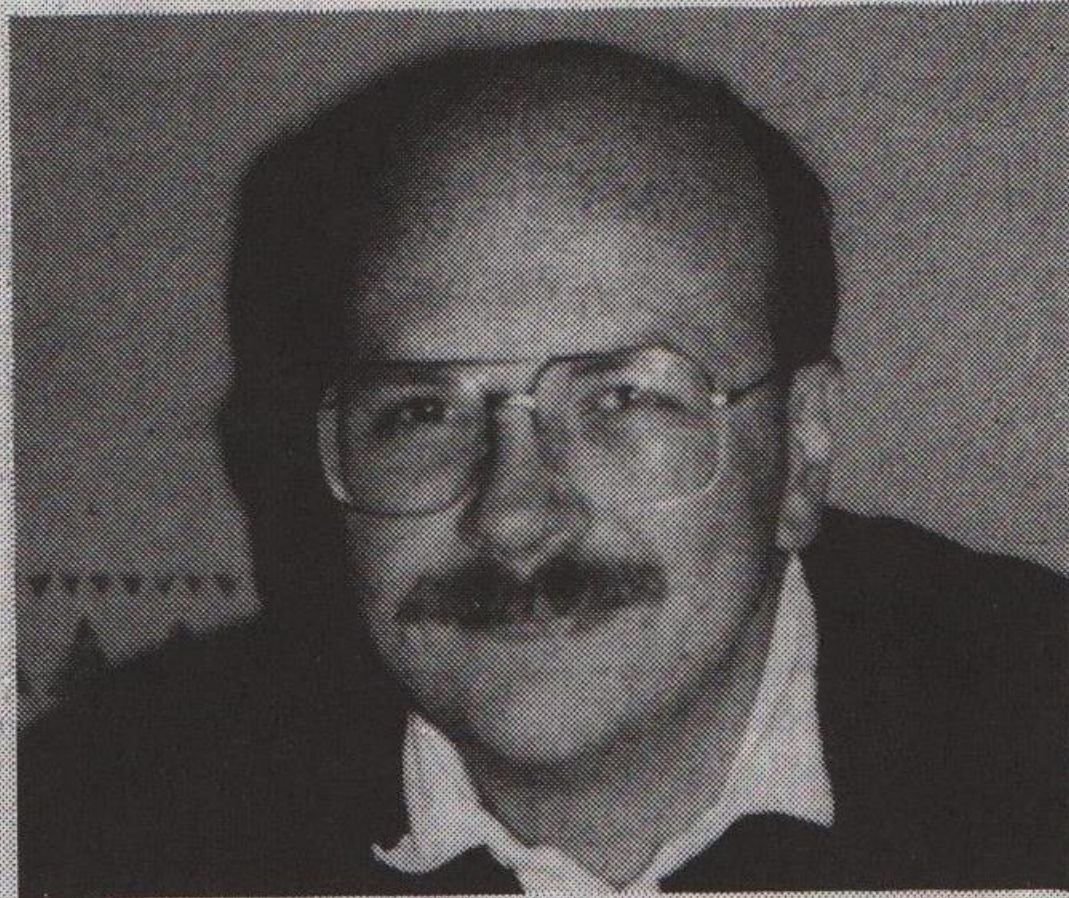


PHOTO: Richard Mc.Cance

"Young people particularly need positive images. An issue came up that was too good to miss. The Council were discussing the provision of Condom vending machines and so I decided it was time to make my maiden speech as I was disgusted by some of the comments of my opponents. I couldn't sit by and listen to their homophobic diatribe."

Arnie's definition of 'success' is not so much moving up the professional ladder as doing what he enjoys most and that is representing his constituents. Why not enjoy life doing the things you want to. We only get one chance," he added.

WHAT'S UP DOC!

by Dr. Shaw

Dear Doctor. My ex-boy friend was an alcoholic and I am constantly haunted by the horror, violence and destructive nature of that relationship. I have recently met another guy and things are becoming serious and I do want to give it a chance. But whilst on the outside, I'm cheerful and confident, inside I feel insecure and unhappy about myself and my past. I'm terrified he'll reject me if I talk about all this.

Listen I hate secrets. They can ruin people's lives, reduce life to a misery, stop people living, growing, laughing and loving. Banish these secrets and take away the fear of the past. Tell it as it really was and how you feel. Instead of love you witnessed drunkenness and violence. You feel you have a guilty secret but if you face up to it and acknowledge this, the past loses its power to hurt you and affect your life. You love him, you have a future go for it.

Dear Doctor. I have recently split from my girlfriend. Initially things were very happy. However she insisted that before things became physical that it would be better if I shaved off my pubic hair! I was very reluctant to do this, but in love and under pressure, I finally agreed. Now things are over. I feel so stupid and embarrassed. I've also discovered that I am one of a succession of partners over the past few years who she has coerced into genital shaving to satisfy her pubescent fixation. Her antics are common knowledge and a standing joke in the pub I go to. I really regret the whole thing. What can I do?

Don't worry. We all get caught up with someone or something we regret at least once. You've obviously managed to talk to at least some of your friends about the whole unsavoury fiasco. Be honest about it all, make your voice and feelings known. Then put it behind you and don't get trapped again. I must say that a short back and sides in the pubic area isn't my idea of a good time. Spare a thought for the next poor sod, not to mention those who came and went before you. If anything the laughs on her and her goings on. PS. I must ask, is she shaved? You could always club together and buy her a merkin for Xmas for the cold and chilly days!

Editor: *If you have a question for Dr Shaw, write to him c/o OUTRIGHT, PO Box 4, West PDO, Nottingham, NG7 2DJ. NB. A merkin is a genital wig.*

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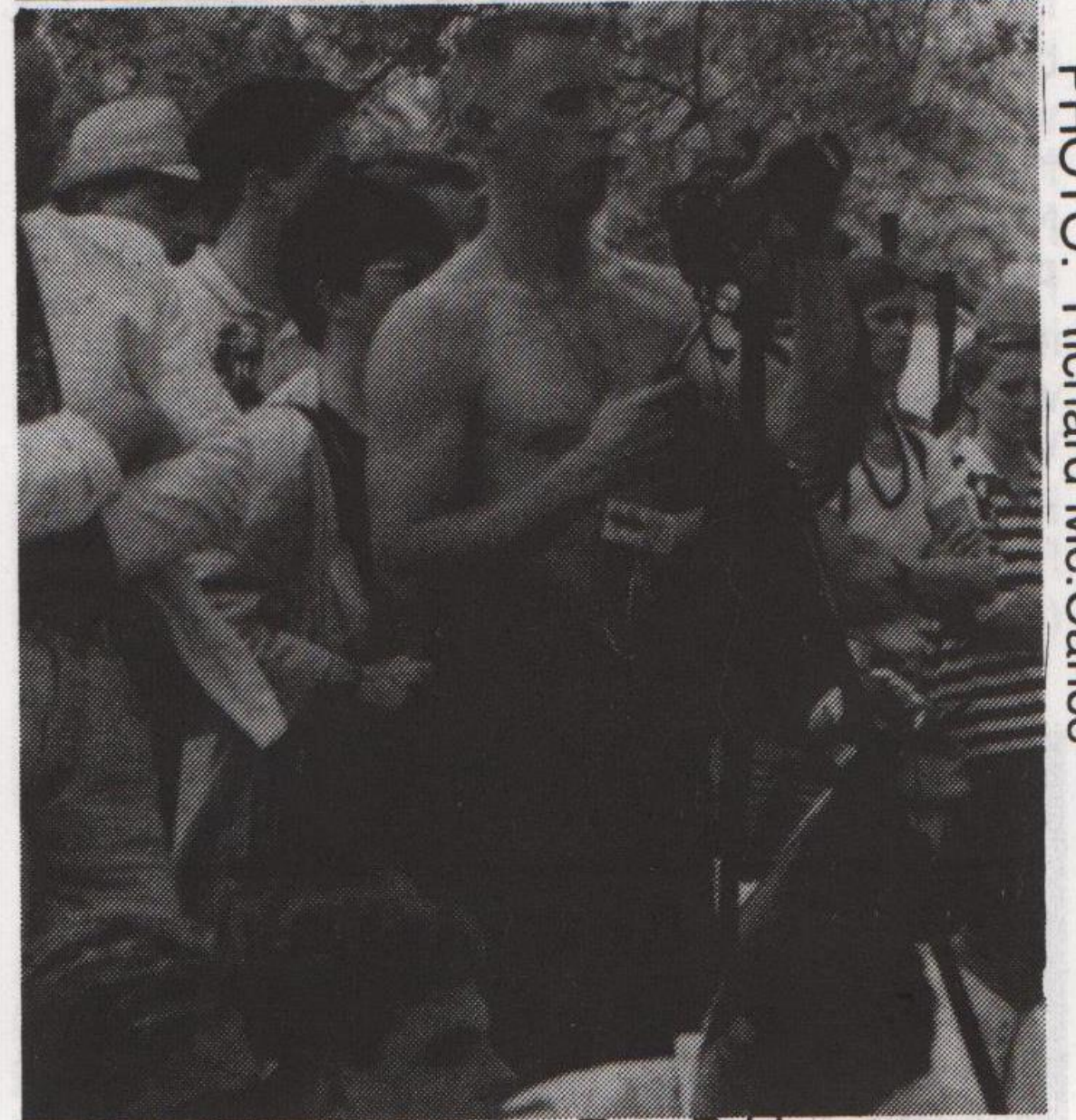


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RECORD ROUNDUP

by Simon Smalley



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Ayup! You'd best fetch out yer gladies and stuff 'em into a convenient orifice 'cos the long out of circulation recordings by Manchester's finest (after Buzzcocks and Elsie Tanner) the Smiths are about to hit the streets in a flash of sheer dazzling top ten-ness. Fourteen of their despair-ridden classics are gathered together on the first instalment of a two part greatest hits album with the incredibly inventive title of "Best Of The Smiths Volume One".

So, still on the subject of the bequiffed, lantern-jawed prince of ambiguity and doomed never to marry, Morrissey is back on Lonely Street, not yet at Heart-break Hotel, but out and about with follow up to the disappointing "Kill Uncle" album. "Your Arsenal" sees the Mo back on form again with a good mixture of jingle jangles, sub-AC/D riffs and plaintive moaning a-plenty.

As mentioned in the last edition, day trips to retro city (one way tickets and no returns) are the big thing at the moment and almost to verify this we're advised to "Blame It On The Boogie" with an album of mid-70's disco treats to take you into a strobe and poppers ecstasy. A line-up including Gloria Gaynor, Odyssey, Trammps, A Taste of Honey and Gonzales is devised to turn anyone into a whirling dervish of disco delight. The best feature of the C.D. is that the gay politically correct can programme it to skip the track by that dire homophobic has-been Donna Summer.

As soon as the school holidays begin, and good old Mr. Sunshine peeks through the little fluffy clouds, out come the "Summer" compilations in a relentless torrent. So, bearing in mind that to most record companies the brief appearance of the sun equals Reggae, we're honoured with not one but three Reggae compilations.

"Celebration" raids the archives of the prolific Trojan label with goodies by Rupee Edwards, Dave and Ansell Collins, Bob and Marcia and Ken Boothe.

The track listing of "Dancing On Sunshine" is a predictable as its title - a few interesting cuts but with the inclusion of Jimmy Somerville and Boy George - well, now that's not what I'd call Reggae, dear!

Last up in this unholy trinity is "One Love" (gawd, they must spend hours thinking up these titles), which yet again has the painfully obvious, but also a couple o' gems in there to rescue it - Susan Cadogan's "Hurts So Good"; Dennis Brown's "Money In My Pocket" and Cool Ruler Gregory Isaacs' Silky smooth "Night Nurse". And that, as they say in Germany is yer lot!. Ta-ra!.

WATCH OUT!

There's a certain cruising ground not too far from Mansfield, popular with car owners that's getting a bit of flak lately. Two white men in their early 30's, one with a tattoo on left side of neck, the other a skinhead with a rotweiler dog are harrasing gay men. It is believed that one of the men has already been in prison for violence. One wonders what the police are doing about this latest incident which they must know about, as they regularly patrol the area. So be warned. Do not approach these men, but it might be worth taking their pictures from the safety of your car for future reference!

More reports come in of gay men being beaten up in Carlton Road cottages by King Edward Park, Nottingham. This seems to be popular with queerbashers. Yes, its another white gang of queerbashers. So be careful.

ROYAL KNEES UP

Following a visit by the Princess of Wales to Leicestershire AIDS Support Services last year, two HIV workers were invited by HRH to a Royal Garden Party in July. Linda Grant and Warren Weisner said they had been "delighted to have the opportunity to promote HIV awareness nationally at such an influential level."

Meanwhile, LASS is sponsoring the Child Handling class and donating the Best in Show trophy at Paws for Thought, a dog show in aid of the Infectious Diseases Unit at Groby Road Hospital on Sunday 22nd August. In the novelty classes there are also prizes for the dog with the waggiest tale, the dog most like its owner and the one the judge would most like to take home. The judge is Dennis McCarthy MBE of BBC Radio Nottingham fame.

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Controversial, erotic, occasionally surreal farce from enfant terrible Almodovar (High Heels) featuring Banderas as a recently released convict who kidnaps an ex-porn star on the pretext of getting to know her better! **6th August, Cinema 1. 6.00/8.30pm.**

PEPI, LUCI, BOM...

A fascinating chance to see Almodovar's debut film, now available for the first time in Britain. A typical sexploitation parody about the wild adventures of three wacky women friends. Arguably Almodovar's most outrageous film. **12th-16th August, 6.15/8.45pm, Cinema 2.**

THE MAMBO KINGS

An exuberant, colourful, sexy musical, set in 1950's New York, which follows the mixed fortunes of two exiled Cuban brothers who form a band during the Mambo dance craze. Starring Antonia Banderas in his first English language role, 'The Mambo Kings' is a great fun film about a relatively unknown American sub-culture.

31st August-3rd September, 6.15-8.45pm, Cinema 2.

COMING SOON...

WITHOUT YOU I'M NOTHING... Sandra Bernhard, who recently found fame as 'is she or isn't she Madonna's girlfriend', here demonstrates what a star she really is. A film of Bernhard's recent American one woman show, a crazy repertoire of sarcasm, striptease and song, she goes through a series of transformations from gentle to jew, from gay to black, and backwards and forwards in time from a 70's gay bar to the 80's Sotheby's auction of Andy Warhol memorabilia. **11th-14th September, 6pm/8.15 + 3.30 Saturday and 8.15 only on Sunday, Cinema 1.**

SUNSET BOULEVARD, 28th-29th September, 6.15/8.45pm, Cinema 2.

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Banderas & Bernhard

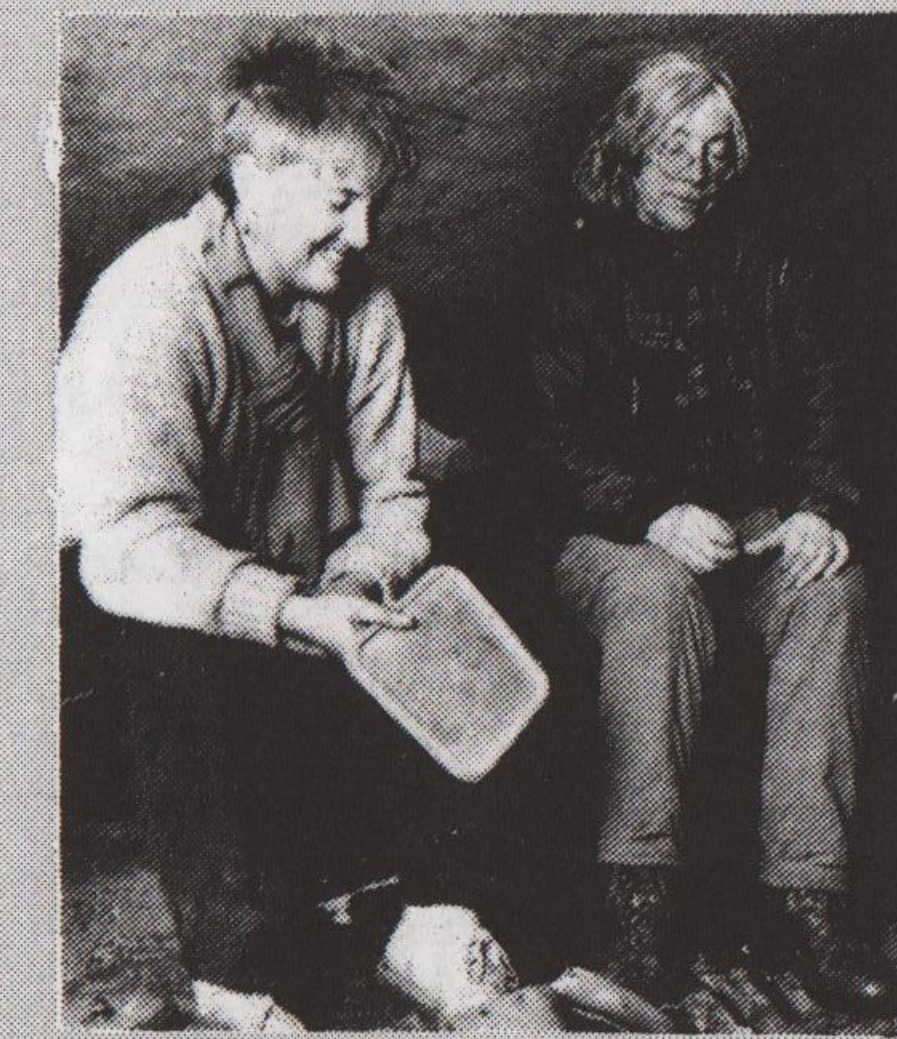


What's the connection between Spanish leading man Antonio Banderas, now making a name for himself with **The Mambo Kings**, and wacky performance artist/actress Sandra Bernhard now showcased in her film **Without You I'm Nothing...?** The answer is Madonna! and to see how, catch **In Bed With Madonna** at Broadway. (The Mambo Kings shows at Broadway, Nottingham and Metro, Derby.)

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OUTlook

"I've been involved in Greenham Common for ten years. I saw the nuclear silos being built and I was there to see them off last year". Chris Drake's involvement with the Peace Movement has been interwoven with lesbian/gay politics and the politics around AIDS. She's lost count of the times she's gone away to get arrested and in between stretches in prison she has made time to get herself to college.



When the American base at Greenham closed, suddenly there was space in her life. "I'm sure there will be other times, but at the moment I'm enjoying travelling. Doing some of the things I've never been able to afford to do as a single parent family. But now they are adult I can indulge myself a bit". Olive picking for three months in Greece, living with local families, and looking for work in Portugal has taken up most of this year so far. "Right now Canada and Ireland are next on the list. A woman I've been involved with for the last two years had to go back to Canada so I'm hoping to visit her soon. I'm lucky to have my health and energy so I'm going to make the most of it!"

ANGIE'S SOLO GIG

Angie O'Rourke takes centre stage at the Womens Centre on the 7th August. She was previously in a women's band in Birmingham before coming to Nottingham.



Angie plays acoustic guitar in the styles of Michelle Shocked, Tracey Chapman and Melissa Etheridge plus her own original work. This is her first solo gig, so wish her luck and get along to hear her on Friday 7th August, 8pm, PLUS bar. Tickets £1.50/£1.00 from Womens Centre, Chaucer Street on the night.

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METRO CINEMA

THELMA AND LOUISE
Female buddy picture about two friends who become outlaws accidentally and decide they like the freedom their notoriety brings. Dream performances from the two leads, make this the most pleasurable American movie released for some time. **11th-13th August, 8pm.**

THE DEVILS
An account of the apparent demoniacal possession of the 17th-century nuns of Loudun, climaxing in the burning of their priest as a sorcerer. technically proficient, camp idiosyncratic and howling bad-taste, full of worm-eaten skulls, masturbating nuns, plus a sacrilegious dream of Jesus. **15th-16th August, 6pm.**

THE MAMBO KINGS
This exuberant, colourful, sexy musical, set in 1950's New York follows the mixed fortunes of two exiled Cuban brothers who form a band during the Mambo dance craze. Antonia Banderas' first English language role. **7th August 8pm, 8th-9th August 9pm.**

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OUT BURST!

Dear Editor,

I've got several ideas for extending social contact within our community and wonder what other readers think about them.

First is the formation of mini social groups in your own village/town or neighbourhood. The second idea concerns putting people in touch with one another who might share common hobbies and interests, work in similar jobs, or originate from the same part of the country. The third, concerns exploring the possibility of setting up a network of volunteers to befriend older members of our community who may be housebound, or just plain lonely. What do you think?

Yours sincerely, Gregg Taylor, Sherwood, Nottingham. Editor: replies c/o OUTRIGHT please.

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RAMBLES & CYCLES

A short evening walk from Colston Bassett church at 7.30pm on 5th August is the first of several summer events planned by the East Midlands Ramblers and Cyclists group. A weekend camp with rambles and cycle rides takes place from the 14th to 16th August in Derbyshire, and a walk in the Derbyshire countryside at 10.30am on 27th September, meeting at Hartington village centre. Membership of the Gay Outdoor Club is not necessary to take part, though the group is part of the national organisation. "Just come along and enjoy the pleasures of the countryside with a cheerful and friendly group", says Nick, who has more information on (0533) 811138.

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Lets Talk About Sex

The next planning meeting for lesbians wanting to set up an open day in October are welcome to the planning meeting on Monday 24th August at 8pm at the Nottingham Womens Centre.

Leicester Bi-Sexual group

Leicester Bi-Sexual Group meets 2nd Wednesday of every month, 7.30pm onwards at 45, King Street, Leicester. Contact Trev (0533) 550667.

Nottingham Health

A conference for all voluntary and statutory workers, and people with an interest, in HIV and AIDS takes place 9th October. Organised by the Nottingham Health Authority, the conference is free and places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Lunch and refreshments provided. Closing date 14th August. More info from HIV and AIDS Team, NHA, Forest House, Berkeley Ave, Nottingham, NG3 5AF.

Lesbian Workers Support

A support group for lesbian workers meets in Leicester on the 1st Thursday of every month at 12.30pm at 45, King Street.

Womens Disco

The next disco at the Nottingham Womens Centre is on Saturday 5th September.

Switchboard Training

Nottingham Lesbian and Gay Switchboard are looking for new volunteers, especially women and people of colour, to join their team of operators. Training sessions begin in October. Contact Switchboard for more info. See Helpline panel or write c/o 33, Mansfield Rd, Nottingham, NG1 3FF.

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KETTERING/ANYWHERE, nice looking, caring guy, 40s, considering going straight owing to constant let downs. Is there a genuine slim guy, 20s, out there to change my mind? Experience unimportant. ALAWP. Box 367.

LEICESTER, guy 22, blond, average looks, seeks honest, mature acting guy 25+ for friendship and poss 1-1 relationship. Please send photo if poss. Box 368.

NOTT'M, Asian guy, 19, tached, good looking, seeking that special guy 20-30. Could it be you? Why not write and see. Include photo and phone no if poss. Box 369.

LEICESTER, male 42 seeks friends, any colour, for friendship and perhaps relationship. Can accommodate. Box 370.

EAST MIDLANDS, guy 36, fit and healthy, good body and looks, seeks reliable guys, pref non-scene for fun, poss 1-1. Interests walking, swimming, massage. Box 371.

NOTTINGHAM, guy 24, caring, broad minded, passive type, seeks loving, hairy man 24-30 for friendship and hopefully relationship. Varied interests. Genuine replies please. Photo appreciated, returned with mine. ALA. Box 372.

OVERWEIGHT, pierced/tattooed slave aged 39 just discovered gay tendencies, seeks a genuine master to serve, rubber, leather and PVC. Frank dominant letter brings same day reply. Box 373.

MALE, 32, good looking (so they tell me), blue eyes, tached, hairy, caring, faithful, smoker, seeks special 1-1 with Asian guy 25-38. ALA with photo returnable. Box 374.

LEICESTER, 40 year old, honest, kind and considerate, seeking 21-45, non-scene, any nationality for fun and perhaps relationship. Photo ensures replies. Travel no problem. Box 375.

DERBY/ANYWHERE, early 30s, stocky looking for big bears or chunky chubbies, hairy or smooth, up to 60. No lifelong commitment, just mutual fun. Photo appreciated, not essential. Interested? ALA. Box 376.

CORBY, Northants, 34, 5'10", seeks hairy guys, any area up to 25 miles. Photo appreciated. Non-smoker preferred. Can travel. Box 377.

LEICS/ANYWHERE, shy 28, slim, mixed nationality, fastidiously clean, mainly non-scene, seeks friendship/relationship with honest, considerate 25-35, pref non-smoker. Photo/phone appreciated. Box 378.

NOTT'M, 23, male, into weight

training and rave. Straight acting, into having a good time, seeks anyone under 28 for laughs. Send photo. Can travel. Box 379.

NOTT'M/EAST MIDLANDS, are you lonely? I am gay, male, youthful 50s, slim, caring, genuine. Seeking friend/s 25-50 with interests in theatre, days out etc. Colour no barrier. Photo/phone appreciated. ALA. Box 380.

RUTLAND, 6'2", large (but not fat) frame, black hair, brown eyes, 27, fun loving, intelligent, after 1-1 with someone 21-31, friendship any age. ALA. Must have excellent sense of humour though. Box 381.

NOTT'M/ANYWHERE, genuine, non-scene, loving 43, not bad looks, seeks that special guy for 1-1 loving relationship 21-40. Must be honest, sincere, with good sense of humour. ALA. Photo helps. Box 382.

NOTTS, 27, fair, slim, sense of humour, caring and genuine, seeks similar guy for friendship, hopefully 1-1. Non/occasional scene. ALA Photo please, returned with reply. Box 383.

BURTON ON TRENT, two attractive white guys, young 38/43, slim, seek coloured or white guy for safe fun, aged 25-45, slim build. We can accommodate. ALAWP. Box 384.

HINCKLEY/LEICS, mid 30s with much love and affection, eager to share it with right guy. Me 5'7", short cropped hair and come-to-bed-eyes! You 21-30, genuine, straight acting. ALAWP. Box 385.

GRANTHAM/LEICS, gay 40, seeks gay/bi, 25/50, for fun times, outings. Discreet, can travel, coloured/well educated welcome, phone/write with photo. ALA. Box 390.

NOTT'M, first time advertiser, 36, straight acting, affectionate, told attractive, varied interests, zany sense of humour with a serious side, seeks friends and 1-1 with similar, 30-50. Looks unimportant. ALAWP. Box 391.

EAST MIDLANDS, creative, loyal, honest, slim, passionate, passive boy next door seeks similar honest, horny male, wishing long, loving, relationship, aged 23-30, slim-med build. ALAWP. Box 392.

VEGGIE, varied interests, easy going but radical outlook. Well educated, mid 40s, enjoys the scene, cinema and quiet moments. Dislikes smoking, wants to meet guys with positive caring outlook. ALA Box 393.

EUROBOX No 27, Andrew of Leicester, according to the magazine you're a mechanic. Admirer late 20s would like you to inspect his bodywork!! Please contact Nick. Box 394.

NORTHANTS, gay professional male, semi-retired, seeks friends for visits, social occasions, outings etc. Looks, age unimportant. Accom available. Box 396.

CHESTERFIELD, tall dark guy, 32, straight acting, good sense of humour, genuine, seeks guys similar, not camp, poss tached. No time wasters. Can travel and accom. ALA. Box 397.

ANYWHERE, are you 20s, slim and nice looking, seeking the love and affection of a good looking guy, 40s? Then get writing. Experience unimportant, but photo please. ALA. Box 398.

CHESTERFIELD, guy 24, 5'10", told attractive, seeks fun loving lads 21-25 for hot fun and friendship. Can accommodate. No time wasters please. ALAWP. Box 399

DERBY/NOTT'M, guy late 40s seeks fun/friendship with under 40s. Music, cinema, theatre, pubs, walking. Can travel. Free some afternoons/evenings. No strings. ALAWP. Box 400.

NOTTS, 26, medium build, easy going musician, not very scene, into keeping fit, good music, going out and laughs, seeks genuine, non-camp friends and pos 1-1. Photo if pos. Box 401.

NORTHANTS, retired gent 50s, non-smoker with artistic and literary interests seeks similar for social occasions and friendship. ALA. Box 402.

GUY, 24, good looking, sporty, swimmer's physique, straight acting/looking, likes people and parties, seeks

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guy 20-35, not camp, for fun or 1-1. Can travel. Photo if pos. ALA. Box 403.

YOUNG MAN, 42, honest, kind and considerate, loves eating out, theatre, seeking 30-45, perhaps relationship. Photo please. Box 404.

LINCOLN, new to area, would like to meet guys 30-45 for fun and friendship, pos 1-1. I'm 32, average looking, easy going, down to earth. ALA. Box 405.

MIDLANDS/ANYWHERE, 31, non-scene, attractive, slim, clean shaven, sincere, passive guy seeks genuine professional Asian/Middle Eastern 30+, hirsute, honest, loving for cuddles and friendship/relationship. Box 406.

LEICESTER, male 38, straight acting and in appearance, honest, reliable, hairy, lonely, seeks younger person for fun and friendship, pos more. Can travel or accommodate. Photo if pos. Box 407.

BURTON/ANYWHERE, attractive gay guy, brown hair, blue eyes, boyish 30 yrs, seeks younger 21+ with dark hair, brown eyes for friendship, pos 1-1. Weekends away paid for, travel/accom. ALAWP. Box 408.

LEICS/MIDLANDS, gay male 31, 5'11", seeks guy under 33, easy going, non-camp, into music, pubs, conversation, sense of humour. Photo if pos. Box 409.

EAST MIDLANDS, 28, tached, hairy, pierced guy looking for master. Will lick your boots and call you sir. All letters answered. Box 410.

LEICS/EAST MIDLANDS, quiet, sensitive, romantic, 29, occasional scene, into eating out, swimming and quiet nights in, seeks friends, pos relationship with slim-medium build 25-30. Can travel. Box 411.

EAST MIDLANDS, 29, 6'1", medium build, inexperienced, sensitive and romantic with rough edges (enjoys wrestling), seeks similar non-camp guy 26-36. Photo if pos. ALA. Box 412.

EAST MIDLANDS, 32, 5'10", dark hair/eyes, chunky, fun loving, genuine, reliable, occasional scene. Interests music, cinema, outdoors, seeks friendship/relationship with honest, caring, genuine guy, age immaterial. ALAWP. Box 413.

NOTT'M, 24, dark, articulate, tall, dark and handsome male, outgoing, caring and genuine, non-scene, seeks 21-30 for fun, friendship, laughs and who knows what may ensue. ALA with recent photo. Box 414.

NOTT'M/LEICS?DERBY, sports minded guy interested in badminton/squash/tennis/table tennis, wants to meet others, pos form group. ALA. Box 416.

COMMUNITY RADIO enthusiast seeks similar friends with view to forming group in East Midlands. SAE brings newsletter of ideas and proposals. Box 417.

NOTT'M, gay guy, young 27, non-smoker, straight acting, slim, attractive, seeks bike/car mechanics for friendship/socialising. Genuine guys only. No time wasters! Photo, phone for quick reply. Box 418.

DERBY AREA, happy, young looking older guy into massage and safe activity seeks similar for homely 1-1. Box 420

NOTTS/DERBY, 32, white, good looking, blue eyes, quiet, non-scene, seeks Asian guy 21-38ish for friendship, relationship. Likes walking, videos, bhangra. Photo appreciated. Please write. Box 421.

NOTT'M, 34, male, 6'4", tall, medium build, good looking, non-scene, seeks genuine guys into briefs, jocks, shorts, videos. Also guy to help me get into weight training. ALA. Box 422.

DERBY/NOTTS, 29, stocky, hairy, tached, wants similar tached, bearded guys for mutual, non-committed fun, age 28-50. ALA. Photo welcome, not essential. Balding, overweight guys also welcomed. Box 423.

GENUINE, Nott'm, passive guy, late 50s, looks younger. Seeks top guy or guys for discreet dominant friendship, hopefully leading to genuine relationship. Box 424.

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WOMENS PERSONAL
NOTT'M LESBIAN, 25 years, seeks 19-30 for good fun, nights out. Loves black hair. Genuine girls need only to apply, so get pen on paper for serious friendship. Box 229.

FEMALE, 22, dark hair, brown eyes, fun loving, seeks lady for passionate nights, love and laughter. If you're still reading this, you're the woman of my dreams, so write now. Box 230.

I AM LOOKING for a woman who can love me as much as I can love! Beauty not important, sense of humour a must! Lets go crazy together! Distance no object. Box 231.

28 YEAR OLD lesbian seeks that special lesbian lover for lasting 1-1 relationship. Any nationality but Irish or Scottish woman most welcome, age 35+. Photo if poss. Box 232.

DESPERATELY seeking nympho aged between 18-30. Must be sleazy, fun, good looking. I'm 21, average height, weight, ugly. For Beauty and the Beast 1-1. Photo ensures reply. Box 233.

MANSFIELD AREA, attractive feminine female, 19, non-scene, fun loving, humoured, romantic Aries, own place, seeks other feminine females for friendship/relationship. Photo appreciated. Box 234.

WARM, loving and open woman, 27, enjoys dancing, meditation, walking, new experiences, wants to meet women for friendship, fun and love... whatever flows! Notts/Derbys area. Box 235.

LESBIAN, young looking, young minded 43, attractive, slim, romantic, sense of humour. Books, the arts, cosy evenings, music, non-smoker, seeks similar for loving relationship, age not important. ALA. Box 236.

GAY FEMALE, mother, 30 years young, seeks 1-1, enjoys music, animals and life. Must be caring, quiet, like children. I'm lonely. I need someone special. Leics area if pos. Box 237.

NOTT'M/ANYWHERE, female, 28, mixed nationality, seeks special lesbian lover to share the good things in life, 25+, photo if pos. Box 238.

IF you're single, 20-30, like children and having a good time, you sound like my perfect woman. Let's meet and fall in love! Pref Lincs area or nearby. ALA. Box 239.

THIRTIES, fit and good looking. I'm busy but bored and like casual encounters with women - anyone interested? Box 240.

TWENTY NINE year old female looking for similar for friendship in view to a possible relationship, Notts area. Box 241.

NORTH NOTTS, feminine lady 30,

loves socialising, music, cooking and animals, seeks feminine lady for friendship/relationship. Photo appreciated but not essential. Please write soon. ALA. Box 242.

Hi! Am I your girl! I need a fun person and a 1-1 relationship-but you must be honest and know love. Looking for someone 20-30. Make my day! Write, photo please. Box 243.

TALL, attractive, caring female, early 30s, non-smoker, seeks someone special for sincere friendship and romance, Leics area pref. Photo please. Box 244.

MIXED PERSONAL
BRITISH gay man in mid 30s seeks Australian gay girl with view to mutual beneficial arrangement. All serious replies please with phone no if poss. Box 386.
Bi-sexual TV, 30, very convincing, size 12, fashionable not tacky, seeks female confidant/mate for love, laughs, cinema, theatre, pubs, clubs, shopping, wardrobe sharing and good times. Box 387.

NOTT'M, young couple m/f, into s&m seek another couple or individual, sex/colour not imp, with similar interests. Must be inventive, clean and most importantly, fun. Please send ideas and photos. Box 388.

NOTT'M, bi guy, rough, very hairy, working class, into denim, seeks convincing TV or TS for raunchy times at my place. C'mon let me treat you like a real woman! Box 389.

NOTTS/DERBY, attractive 21 year old seeks male (or female) friends. Must be straight acting, non-camp. I love music, food and Italian cars. Pos 1-1. Photo helps. Steve. Box 395.

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NOTTINGHAM, working person to share house with lesbian, own large room, all mod cons, £155 per month all inclusive. Tel 899293 leave message for Tracey.

NOTTINGHAM, Forest Fields, room to let. Share rest of house. £30 per week. Preferably a working lesbian. Deposit £100. Available mid July. Unfurnished. Box 533.

LINCOLN, accommodation wanted, male, early 20s, local govt. officer, non-smoker, seeks room or flat. Box 534.

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NINA LONGDEN

An appreciation

Nina Longden came to Nottingham from Crewe over twelve years ago and for most of that time she worked relentlessly for Nottingham Women's Aid and later Lesbian Line. Poverty and deprivation were not new to her.

For most people single-parenting three children in the mean Eighties would be challenge enough, but Nina was driven by a desire, through her own experience, to see women discharging the dirt, and rising above abuse, and begin to plough their own furrows, often for the first time, taking control of their own lives.

With her children into adulthood and streetwise in the University of Life, Nina went on to complete a Sociology degree at Nottingham University. Despite the death of her mother during her studies, which were interrupted for some time, she went back to finish the task.

Her friends came from many quarters. To say she was popular was an understatement. Her unmistakable presence, ambling through Nottingham often provoked a "Hey up, Nina!" from someone she knew whose home was a cardboard box but to whom that person was a unique individual in Nina's eyes.

(Continued in column 3)

OUT BURST!

Gay Skinhead Group,
PO Box 128,
Derby, DE1 9PX.

Dear Outright

Would you kindly publish this disclaimer by the Gay Skinhead Group with regards to the 'Skin Complex' programme being shown in the current tv series of 'OUT'.

The programme makers, Maya Vision, led me and the group in general to believe that they were intending to produce a programme on gay skinheads, but instead they produced a programme largely on the racist minority within the skinhead movement.

Had the Gay Skinhead Group known in advance of the inclusion of Ian Stuart and the fascist Blood and Honour group, or the footage that is shown with regards the pathetic Sieg Heiling boneheads, we would most certainly not have taken part in this programme.

Once again the media has overlooked the majority in the skinhead scene and focused on the minority, something which sadly seems to be the norm.

If anyone would like to know more about real skinheads then simply write to me and it will be my pleasure to help out.

Thank you for taking the time to read this far!

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NINA LONGDEN (contd. from col. 1)

She had only recently moved from Nottingham to Fiskerton to live with her partner Carol, and, for the first time, she was really finding contentment in her personal life which was beginning to work out for her.

When someone dies with little warning, there is often no time to prepare to say goodbye, and for many of her friends this was the case. Her funeral was as empowering as it was sad and a testament to the solidarity that is part of the Women's Movement. A lesbian Minister from the Metropolitan Community Church led the gathering of nearly one hundred women, and several men from all over Britain. And when it was over the women carried Nina aloft through the village to the cemetery, where young and old alike, with spades and their bare hands, completed her passage.

Her contribution to the Women's Movement and Nottingham Women's Aid, in particular, is incalculable. She will be conspicuous by her absence but will live on in the folk memory of many women and men who won't forget the space she occupied in their lives, the woman with the heart as big as a volcano. (R.Mc. with thanks to Betty, Chris, Jenny, Jo, Paula and Val).



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