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CITY LIGHTS

THE PASSION OF REMEMBRANCE
Dir. Maureen Blackwood, Isaac Julien/GB 1986/80
mins/15 Thur 21 8.00 Fri 22 2.00/8.00

One of the most important films to emerge from a Black British film workshop, but with more than a black address making it one of the most important independent films for years. Ranging widely over questions of black oppression, of women's oppression, of gay oppression, PASSION OF REMEMBRANCE documents a fragmented history of the Baptiste household from the fifties to the eighties. A history in which emotions and events, memories and struggles suggest a totality and diversity of experience of oppression — a British experience. Mixing documentary, naturalism, and a visual poetic, PASSION OF REMEMBRANCE is that rare thing in cinema, a film for the head and for the heart, and one that breaks totally new ground.

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CITY LIGHTS is a brand new cinema organisation resulting from the amalgamation of the New Cinema in the Midland Group in Hockley and the Nottingham Film Theatre at the Co-operative Educational Centre on Broad Street. City Lights will continue to use the same buildings with the Film Theatre becoming Cinema 1 and the New Cinema becoming Cinema Two, 24 Carlton Street.

CITY LIGHTS

Cinema 1, Broad Street, Hockley, Nottingham. Telephone 583184.
Cinema 2, 24, Carlton Street, Hockley, Nottingham. Telephone 582636.
Box Office, Telephone Nottingham 586100.

Time	CINEMA 1	Date	CINEMA 2	Time
		APRIL		
7.30	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	Wed 1	LATINO (15)	8.00
7.30	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	Thur 2	LATINO (15)	8.00
7.30	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	Fri 3	LATINO (15)	2.00/8.00
5.00/8.00	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	Sat 4	LATINO (15)	6.00/8.00
5.00	BABY IT'S YOU (15)	Sun 5		
8.00	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)			
		Tues 7	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	8.00
		Wed 8	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	8.00
		Thur 9	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	8.00
7.30	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	Fri 10	UNDER FIRE (15)	2.00/7.00
5.00/8.00	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)	Sat 11	UNDER FIRE (15)	7.00
4.00	SOLARIS (PG)	Sun 12		
8.00	ROUND MIDNIGHT (15)			
		Tues 14	JAZZ IN EXILE (Uncert)	8.00
2.00	FROG DREAMING (PG)	Wed 15	A SUMMER AT GRANDPA'S (PG)	8.00
7.30	THE AVIATOR'S WIFE (PG)			
7.30	EXPLORERS (U)	Thur 16	A SUMMER AT GRANDPA'S (PG)	8.00
7.30	EXPLORERS (U)	Fri 17	A SUMMER AT GRANDPA'S (PG)	2.00/8.00
5.00/8.00	EXPLORERS (U)	Sat 18	A SUMMER AT GRANDPA'S (PG)	6.00/8.00
5.00	EXPLORERS (U)	Sun 19		
8.00	EXPLORERS (U)			
		Tues 21	MIRROR (U)	8.00
2.00	ASTERIX THE GAUL (U)	Wed 22	RUMBLEFISH (18)	8.00
7.30	INSPECTEUR LAVARDIN (15)	Thur 23	RUMBLEFISH (18)	8.00
5.00/8.00	INSPECTEUR LAVARDIN (15)	Fri 24	RUMBLEFISH (18)	2.00/8.00
5.00	INSPECTEUR LAVARDIN (15)	Sat 25	RUMBLEFISH (18)	5.00/8.00
8.00	INSPECTEUR LAVARDIN (15)	Sun 26		
		Tues 28	STALKER (15)	7.00
7.30	AFTER HOURS (15)	Wed 29	STALKER (15)	7.00
7.30	AFTER HOURS (15)	Thur 30	ALCHEMISTS OF THE SURREAL 1	7.00
		MAY		
7.30	THAT WAS THEN, THIS IS NOW (15)	Fri 1	RATE IT X (18)	2.00/8.00
5.00/8.00	THAT WAS THEN, THIS IS NOW (15)	Sat 2	RATE IT X (18)	6.00/8.00
5.00	PAULINE AT THE BEACH (15)	Sun 3		
8.00	THAT WAS THEN, THIS IS NOW (15)			
		Tues 5	A PORTUGUESE GOODBYE (18)	8.00
		Wed 6	A PORTUGUESE GOODBYE (18)	8.00
		Thur 7	ALCHEMISTS OF THE SURREAL 2	7.00
7.30	THE SACRIFICE (15)	Fri 8	DUST (18)	2.00/8.00
5.00/8.00	THE SACRIFICE (15)	Sat 9	DUST (18)	8.00
5.00	THE SPLIT (15)	Sun 10	THE SPLIT (15)	8.00
8.00	THE SACRIFICE (15)			
		Tues 12	SHE'S GOTTA HAVE IT (18)	6.00/8.00
7.30	TWICE IN A LIFETIME (15)	Wed 13	SHE'S GOTTA HAVE IT (18)	6.00/8.00
7.30	TWICE IN A LIFETIME (15)	Thur 14	SHE'S GOTTA HAVE IT (18)	6.00/8.00
7.30	SHE'S GOTTA HAVE IT (18)	Fri 15	THERISE (PG)	2.00/8.00
5.00/8.00	SHE'S GOTTA HAVE IT (18)	Sat 16	THERISE (PG)	6.00/8.00
5.00	FULL MOON IN PARIS (15)	Sun 17		
8.00	SHE'S GOTTA HAVE IT (18)			
		Tues 19	ALCHEMISTS OF THE SURREAL 3	7.00
		Wed 20	THE OUTSIDERS (PG)	8.00
7.30	THE GREEN RAY (PG)	Thur 21	PASSION OF REMEMBRANCE (15)	8.00
5.00/8.00	THE GREEN RAY (PG)	Fri 22	PASSION OF REMEMBRANCE (15)	2.00/8.00
5.00	HEAD OVER HEELS (15)	Sat 23	MALCOLM BRADBURY & ROB KNIGHTS	2.00
8.00	THE GREEN RAY (PG)	Sun 24	PASSION OF REMEMBRANCE (15)	6.00/8.00
		Tues 26	BLACK WOMEN AND INVISIBILITY (Uncert)	8.00
7.30	AN AMERICAN WEREWOLF IN LONDON (18)	Wed 27	COMING UP ROSES (PG)	8.00
7.30	AN AMERICAN WEREWOLF IN LONDON (18)	Thur 28	COMING UP ROSES (PG)	8.00
7.30	ALMOST YOU (15)	Fri 29	COMING UP ROSES (PG)	2.00/8.00
5.00/8.00	ALMOST YOU (15)	Sat 30	COMING UP ROSES (PG)	6.00/8.00
5.00	NOSTALGIA (15)	Sun 31		
8.00	ALMOST YOU (15)			

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NOTTINGHAM LESBIAN/GAY YOUTH ORGANIZATION, (up to age 26), info. NLGYO, Box 11, c/o 118 Mansfield Road, Nottingham, (s.a.e.).
QUEST for gay Catholics, meets fortnightly, 419137, write c/o Flat 4, 19a Pelham Crescent, The Park, Nottingham.
GAY CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT, Meets 2nd Friday in month, MEN: Mark 394624, WOMEN: Sheila/Chris, Loughborough 236871.
NOTTINGHAM GAY SOCIAL GROUP, Meets every Thursday, Tel: David 216447, or write c/o 31a Mansfield Road, Nottingham.
NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY GAY SOC, c/o Students Union, Portland Building, Nottingham University, Nottingham.
GAY OUTDOORS GROUP (EAST MIDLANDS), Rambling Group, 3rd Sunday of month, Tel John (Leicester) 26617.
TV/IS CAMELION GROUP, Wollaton Grange Community Centre, Tremayne Rd, Bilborough, tel: 228595 (Jane).

— HELPLINES —

NOTTINGHAM GAY SWITCHBOARD, your helpline to the gay/lesbian communities, Mon-Thur, 7-10pm, tel 411454.
LESBIAN LINE, Confidential help/advice for lesbians, Mon & Wed, 7.30-9pm, 410652, c/o Womens Centre, Shakespeare Street, Nottm.
NOTTINGHAM FRIEND, Tuesdays, 7-10pm, counselling & befriending for lesbians & gay men, bisexuals, TV/IS's 478732/c/o 31a Mansfield Road, Nottingham.
QUEST PHONELINE, for gay Catholics, Weds: 7.30-10.30pm, 419137.
AIDS HELPLINE, worried about AIDS? call up Mons & Tues. 7-10pm, Nottingham 585526. Accurate info. can help reduce anxiety.
VD TREATMENT, General Hospital, Postern St. (Nr. Mount St. Car Park), Parth House, (Men) Armitage House (Women) daytime 476161.

PROJECT ON BEREAVEMENT. "I'm a social science student, working on a project on bereavement, especially where the loss must be hidden, and someone must act 'normally' Can you help? All information treated as confidential. Contact: Jerry Comey, 52 Lockwood House, Kennington Oval London SE11 STA.



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West P.D.Q., Nottingham, NG7 2DL.



The pop-duo Erasure, currently riding high in the charts headline a gig at Rock City on Monday 13th April & tickets at £5 (Adv.) are selling fast. The duo feature in the March issue of Gay Times and Nottingham Lesbian & Gay Youth Group will have a stall in the foyer of Rock City on the 13th. For further info. on the youth group write to NLGYO, Box 11, 118 Mansfield Rd, Nottingham or turn up to the Sunday weekly meetings, 2-5pm, Queens Walk Community Centre, Meadows.

BEN MOVES ON

After nearly two years with the City Council's Equal Opportunities Unit, Ben Benson has left for a job with Bloomsbury Health Authority in Central London. Ben said he would be sorry to leave Nottingham for several reasons - (his links go back to childhood holidays spent with his grandmother in the Meadows). "I shall be sad to leave my co-worker Jo Fraser and I shall miss the Council House clock which is like an old, reliable friend." Said Chair of the Gay Men's Sub Committee, Cllr. Richard McCance: "We all wish Ben well for the future, he has carried out a difficult and demanding job as well as anyone could have done". Ben's departure means that his job share post is vacant. GAY NOTTINGHAM will carry an article by Ben Benson in the next issue when Ben takes a look at the last two years as a worker for Gay Rights.

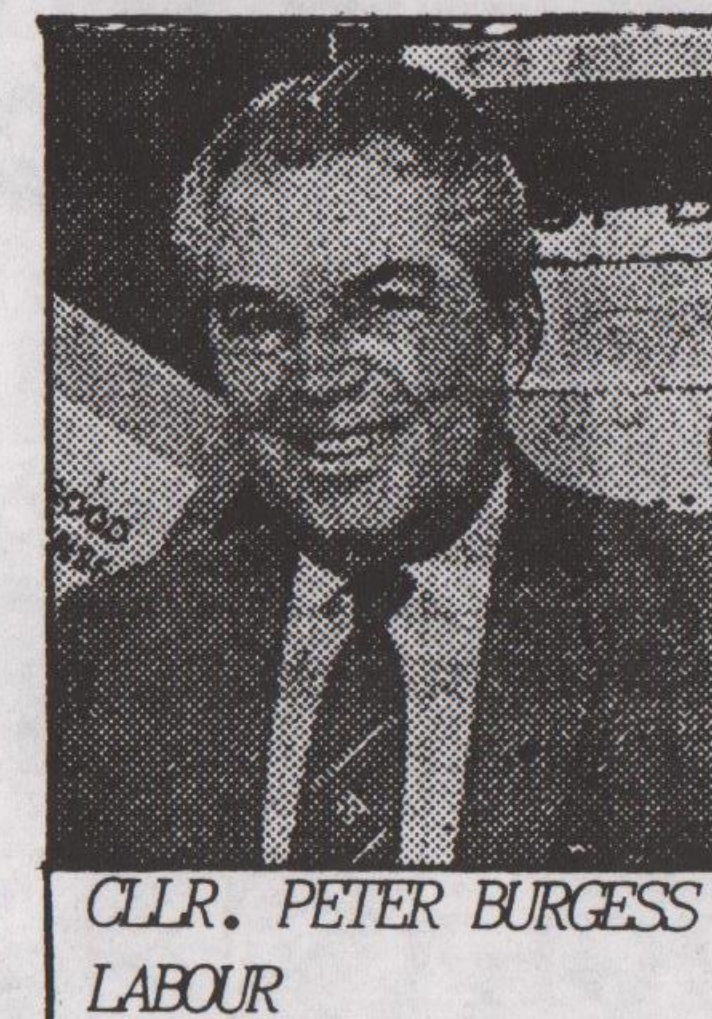


BEN BENSON

TORIES SLAM GAYS

Tories on Nottingham City Council blocked a move by the Labour group to increase staff in the Council's Equal Opportunities Unit, when they out-voted Labour by one vote, due to a Labour member voting with the Tories. This means that planned staff increases including a full-time gay & lesbian rights worker will be axed, unless Labour is re-elected in the May elections. Tory leader Bill Bradbury (r) pledged that if the Tories are elected in May, they will cut out the Equal Opportunities Unit. That means the lesbian and gay rights posts will go, along with workers on race and women's rights. (At present the gay rights post is job-shared between Jo Fraser & Ben Benson, but with Ben's departure, that post is vacant).

And at a meeting of the Gay Men's Sub Committee, Coun. Peter Burgess (l) Chair of the Equal Opportunities Committee warned that the Tories success in overturning Labour's 1987/88 budget, will hit the Equal Opportunities Unit the hardest. He urged gay men to go all-out and work for the Labour Party for the local council elections on May 7th. "Unless gay men back Labour and we are returned with a good majority, all the good work put in by the equal opportunities Unit will be wasted", he added.

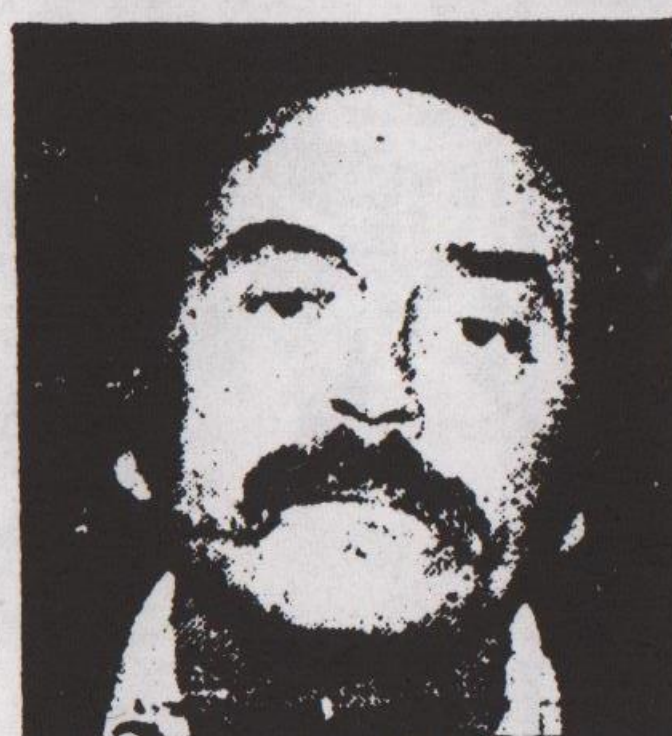


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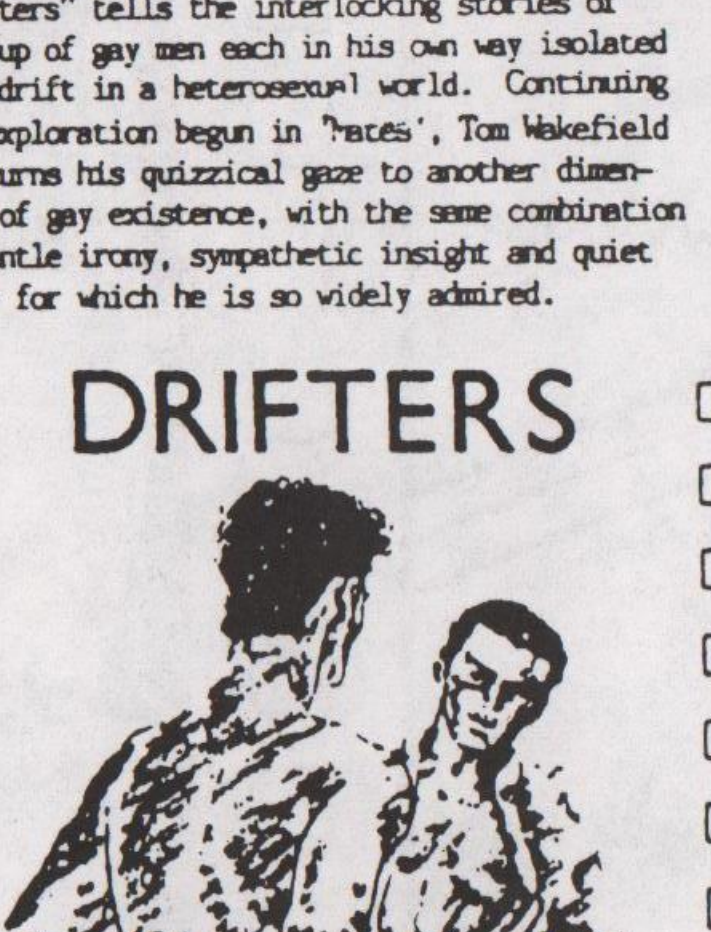
Tom Wakefield
A former headteacher & miner's son, Tom Wakefield turned to full-time writing about ten years ago. An early success was 'Forties Child', the story of his childhood in Northern England. Tom lives in North London.



MATES

Cyril & Len meet up doing National Service in the early 1950's. Their life together reflects the changes and continuities in the position of gay men over the next three decades. Comic and sad, tender and fierce by turns, this is a story of survival, sensitively told by a much-loved novelist.

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A member of Nottingham Lesbian & Gay Co-op is planning a sponsored walk from Leicester to Nottingham to raise funds for the co-op gay centre fund. Michael Brown plans to complete the walk in 12 hours and is hoping to get a lot of people to sponsor him. The walk is on Sunday 21st June, and sponsor forms can be obtained, together with co-op info, from Nottingham Lesbian & Gay Co-op, Box 11, 118 Mansfield Road, Nottingham. The Co-op funds now stand at around the £2,500 mark.

MICHAEL BROWN

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SHARON ATKIN

The Labour Campaign for Lesbian & Gay Rights (East Midlands) has donated £50 to Parliamentary candidate, Sharon Atkin's campaign fund. Ms. Atkin is standing for Labour in Nottingham East and has spoken out in support of Lesbian & Gay Rights on a number of occasions, despite pressure on her and other candidates, to drop this from her campaign. Sharon was a keynote speaker on the County Council demonstration on 25th October, protesting at the exclusion of lesbians & gays from the County Council's programme.

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MONA LISA Wed 8-Sat 11 April
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Starring: Bob Hoskins, Cathy Tyson, Michael Caine, Robbie Coltrane GB 1985 104 mins
Back by popular demand, Jordan's award-winning underworld fantasy stars Bob Hoskins as George, the ingenious ex-con assigned to drive exquisite tart Tyson from one wealthy client to the next and becoming besotted with her on the way. Director: Neil Jordan

TOP HAT Sun 12-April 6.00
Starring: Fred Astaire, Ginger Rogers
Director: Mark Sandrich USA 1935 100 mins
Ginger and Fred whirl through lavish sets in London and Venice dancing cheek to cheek to classics by Irving Berlin.

CLOCKWISE Starring: John Cleese
Wed 15 9.15 & Thur 16 April 7.00
"Clockwise" is a parody movie, part English sitcom, but mostly, of course, an hilarious vehicle for sustained comic acting from Cleese, whose characterisation takes Fawlty and all those old Python bureaucrats to a single, exasperatingly funny conclusion. With fine support from a long list of eminent British farceurs. Great Britain 1987 97 mins
"Some people will be left helpless with laughter. Some will be left so helpless they can't even laugh." Ann Lloyd, Films and Filming.

WHEN THE WIND BLOWS
Wed 15-Sun 19 April
Wed 7.00, Thurs 9.15, Fri 6.30/9.00
Sat 7.00/9.00, Sun 8.30 GB 1986 84 mins

AFTER HOURS Fri 17 April 11.00
Starring: Griffin Dunne, Rosanna Arquette
Director: Martin Scorsese USA 1985 97 mins
Yuppie word processor Griffin Dunne loses his money and his mind in pursuit of lovely but loopy Rosanna Arquette. A frighteningly plausible urban nightmare.

SILKWOOD Sun 19 April 6.00
Starring: Meryl Streep, Cher USA 1983 131 mins
On November 13th, 1974, Karen Silkwood, a 28 year old lab technician at an Oklahoma plutonium plant, was killed in a mysterious car accident. She was on her way to a meeting with a New York Times reporter to reveal the health hazards she had witnessed and the alleged instances of wrong doing by the factory owners. Director: Mike Nichols

SHE'S GOTTA HAVE IT
Tues 28 April - Sun 3 May
Tues - Sat 8.00 Sun 8.15 Director: Spike Lee
Starring: Tracy Camilla Johns, Tommy Redmond Hicks, John Canale Terrell, Spike Lee USA 1986 85 mins

**THE ROCKY HORROR
PICTURE SHOW** Fri 1 May 11.00
Starring: Tim Curry, Susan Sarandon, Richard O'Brien, Meat Loaf Director: Jim Sharman GB 1975 101 mins
Get out your confetti and water pistols, its Time Warp time.

THE COLOR PURPLE Sun 3 May 5.00
Starring: Whoopi Goldberg, Rae Dawn Chong
Director: Steven Spielberg USA 1985 154 mins
Steven Spielberg's controversial adaptation of Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel tells the story of "pore, female, ugly and black" Celie's triumphant pursuit of happiness and self-respect.

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Duchy of Cornwall. In fairness, the Duke (The Prince of Wales) doesn't put this money into his own pocket but gives it to a charitable fund. (The Gay Bereavement Project asked for money from this fund to run a 'Write a Will' Campaign but were refused firmly but courteously).

Wills are best written by solicitors and, if you haven't got one, ring Nottingham Gay Switchboard who will give you the name of a helpful one. Don't be afraid to ring in advance and ask how much they would charge to write a simple will. People on Supplementary Benefit can use a 'green form', which pays the fee at no cost to them.

It is probably best to name your lover as your executor (that is the person named in a will to carry out the provisions of the will), as s/he will have the final say about your funeral. Important, as parents have been known to keep lovers away from funerals.

The Project have prepared printed will forms for lesbians and gay men who want to leave everything to their lovers and name them as executor. You can get copies of the form by sending a stamped addressed envelope to 'Wills', Unitarian Rooms, Hoop Lane, London NW11 ORL.

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Will You? Wont You?

Even people who stop smoking, give up junk food, practice safe sex, never drink and drive can still die young. Death is a fact of life but few of us want to talk about it - And some readers will have stopped reading this as soon as they found that I was breaking the taboo by writing on the subject.

We may not be able to live for ever but at least we can see that those we love and leave behind will not suffer more than they need. We can write our wills.

Without a valid will a lover cannot inherit. All will go to blood relatives and, if there are none, to the Duchy of Cornwall.

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'WE WERE CONNED'

Red Stripe condoms marketed to gay men as the strongest condom for protection against Aids, are no stronger than other sheaths on sale in the UK. And a spokesperson for the Terrence Higgins Trust says the Trust is "very angry that Red Stripe has been marketed in this way".

Nine brands of condom including the French Prophyltex 'Red Stripe' were tested by the British Standards Institute laboratories for BBC1's 'Watchdog' programme and the results show that Red Stripe is indeed no stronger and that it did not meet the official British Standard since packets carried no expiry date to show when the rubber might start to perish. But the company who sell the French-made condoms, Frederick Trading, say that new packs will start to carry a date from mid-March.

David Rampton, appearing on 'Watchdog' and a spokesperson for the Terrence Higgins Trust sharply criticised the claims that the condom was endorsed by Aids organisations like Body Positive and the Terrence Higgins Trust, which never endorsed specific products. But Patrick Moylett, head of the company marketing Red Stripe said that "When we said Red Stripe was the strongest condom what we meant was that it was the strongest condom in the Prophyltex range". It was not true, he said, that he had set out to mislead people into thinking that his product was any stronger than other brands. Another brand, Jiffi, which has been advertised extensively in the gay press did not test well either. In testing it was shown to tear easily. So what out you've been warned! Just because you wear a condom it doesn't mean it's that safe.

A campaign has been launched to make the next Parliament end legal discrimination against lesbian and gay people. Legal discrimination goes far beyond the gay male age of consent. It affects lesbians just as much as - or even more than - gays. Did you know that:

- *the law considers all lesbian and gay sexuality to be against 'public policy and 'public morality'.
- *lesbian and gay people can legally be sacked merely for their sexuality * courts often prevent lesbians and gay men and their children from living with each other * it is illegal for people of the same sex to show affection for each other in public. WITH A GENERAL ELECTION COMING UP, WE THINK IT'S TIME TO CAMPAIGN FOR A CHANGE IN THE LAW!