

## September

Fri-Sun 11-13 Silver Moon Free Festival, Cumbria.  
 Fri-Sat 11-12 Inhetmah Anti-Columbus Celebrations, Bristol. Info : Bristol Rainforest Group, 68 Chesterfield Road, St. Andrews Bristol  
 Sat 12 Full Moon (Harvest Moon) 2.17 GMT.  
 Sat 12 Twyford Down Networking Conference & Full Moon Gathering. Conference venue TBC. Ffi Raga Woods, Dandelion Networks, 37 Arnold Rd. Eastleigh, Hants SO5 5AR. 0703 611561  
 Sat 12 Introduction to Reflexology. 10am - 4.45pm at the Wellbeing Centre. £20/10concs.  
 Sun 13 Reflexology Workshop. 10am - 5pm. Ffi 608855 or 255568.  
 Thurs 17 NCA (Nottingham Community Arts, 39 Gregory Boulevard 787463) Arts Taster Course - Photography. 10-2.  
 Thurs 17 Introduction to Massage and Aromatherapy. The Wellbeing Centre. 7-9.30 pm. £9.50  
 Fri-Sun 18-20 Village Idiots Gathering, Sussex.  
 Sat 19 Paper Making at NCA. 10.30-4.00. £10/5.  
 Sat-Sun 19-27 Juggling and Circus Skills Convention. Ffi 0749 77404 or 0831 146025.  
 Tues 22 Autumn Equinox 18.43 GMT.  
 Tues 22 Anniversary of Mary Esty. Hanged as a witch in Salem USA.  
 Thurs 24 NCA Arts Taster Course - Batik. 10-2.  
 Fri-Mon 25-28 Robin's Greenwood Gay Autumn Camp. Shropshire. Tree planting and other activities. £5 Ffi George Firsoff  
 Sat-Sun 26-27 Ecological Design Assoc AGM. Ivinghowe Y.H. Tring, Bedfordshire. Seminars / workshops / music / food £28 (conc £14) Ffi Simon 071 790 8548  
 Mon-Sun 28-4 National Vegetarian Week. Ffi The Vegetarian Society 061 928 0793.  
 Tues 29 Glastonbury Tor Sunset Gathering.  
 Wed 30 Aromatherapy - Free lecture at Wellbeing Centre 7.45-9pm. Phone to book.

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Full Moon (Hunters Moon) 18.03 GMT.  
 Anti-Columbus Day. 500 Years of Resistance. Demonstrations everywhere.  
 World Anti-McDonalds Day, pickets of all branches.  
 Anarchist Bookfair, Conway Hall, Red Lion Square, London 10am-6pm  
 NCA Arts Taster Course - Photography. 10-2.  
 David Icke - Guest lecture at Nottm Poly. 8pm. £3adv.  
 Better Read Than Dead - Radical Bookselling and Publishing by Ross Bradshaw of Mushroom Bookshop. Uni Adult Education Centre, 14-22 Shakespeare Street. 7.30pm Free, Nottm 516516  
 Celebration Rally 25 years of safe, legal abortion. Camden Centre, London  
 Anti-car action. British International Motor Show, Birmingham. Info 071 738 6721  
 NCA Arts Taster Course - Batik. 10-2.  
 Gong at Nottm Poly.  
 Samhain.  
 Womens Cartoon Workshop at NCA. 10.30-4.00. £10/5.  
 Campaign for Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights Demo. Hyde Park to Trafalgar Square. 12 noon

## November

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National anti Boots demo - Nottingham. Assemble 12 noon Forest recreation ground.  
 Red Rambles - High Peak Junction car park 1.30pm. 3 mile walk via canal and woods.  
 Full Moon 9.20 GMT.  
 Parliamentary lobby to save the rainforests and their peoples. 2.30 - 6pm Ffi Forests Lobby, 48 Bethel Street, Norwich, Norfolk. NR2 1NR. 0603 631007

## December

Wed-Thu 9-10 Total Lunar Eclipse 22.00-1.30  
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## Slaughter at Dawn

Cubhunting is the secret side of fox-hunting it is carried out all over the country as early as six in the morning and well away from the eyes of the public. Cubhunting will have begun locally in the last few weeks. A typical hunt will kill off about a quarter of its hounds at the end of the season (Those getting too old or difficult to control), it's been heard that they feed them to the rest of the pack. The new "puppy" hounds will need to be trained to hunt and to kill as a pack prior to the new season in November - this is the purpose of cubhunting.

In a typical cubhunt, riders and foot followers of the hunt are placed around the edge of a wood or "covert" where the litters of young foxes are known to live - their purpose is to form a human fence, thus trapping the unsuspecting cubs inside. The huntsman then puts his hounds into the covert, where encouraged by his voice, they proceed to scent out the quarry - the terrified foxcubs. The environment in which they have spent the last four or five months growing up, is suddenly transformed into a death trap.

With all the earths and underground escape routes blocked by terrier men, the invasion of hounds forces the foxcubs to flee in terror. The only possible escape routes out of the wood are denied by the shouts and lashing whips of the hunt's human perimeter fence. The frightened cubs are

trapped inside the wood, until weak with exhaustion they become easy prey for the inexperienced hounds.

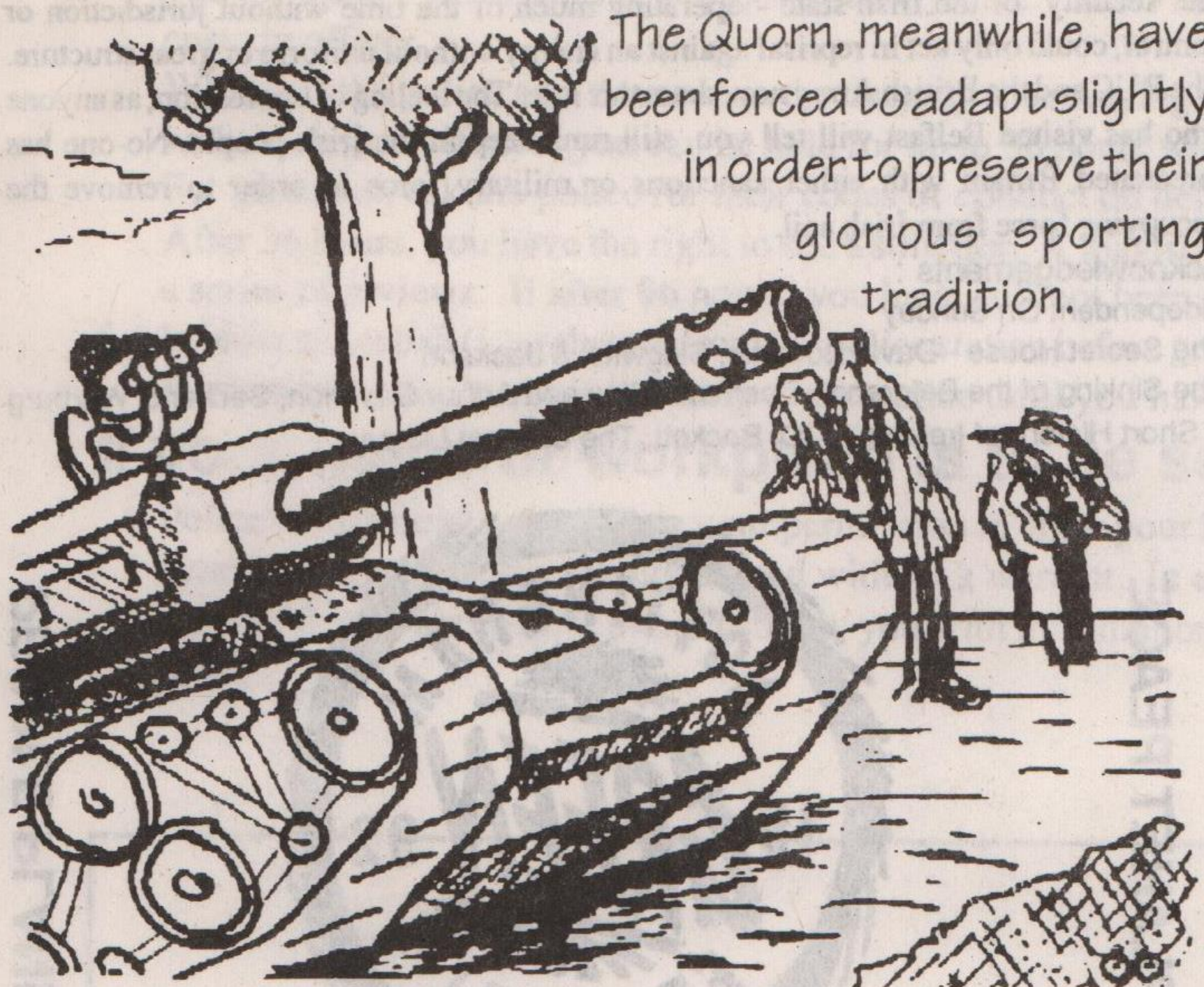
When the inevitable kill is about to take place, the older hounds are frequently held back, to give the puppies a chance to take part. These inexperienced hounds lack the enthusiasm of their elders, shy and hesitant, they are forced to approach the concerned cub which must now fight for its life. All too frequently the cub is mauled for some time before death finally releases it from its ordeal. None of the "sporting" chance here, just carnage.

With the law in this country backing such activities these defenceless creatures have no chance - except for one - Legal Non Violent Direct Action by Hunt Saboteurs. Local sabs are out now around Nottingham saving lives. Using horn and voice calls, the same as the huntsman sabs can call hounds out of the covert, allowing the cubs to escape as the hunt struggle to regain control of the confused pack. The inexperience of the new hounds make sabbing easier. Sabbing during cubbing is essential, as it prevents the early build up of the necessary rapport between hound and huntsman. Sabbing during cubhunting makes the hunt less effective and easier to sab for the rest of the year.

Get involved.

Nottingham H.S.A. on 590357 (24h).

Sabbing saves lives.



## Phonefin Arrest

On Friday 12th June, Martin Bailey was arrested and locked up for 10 days under section 14 of the Public Order Act for allegedly inciting people to attend an illegal gathering. It is the first time that anyone has been arrested and charged under this law. His court hearing has been fixed for 13th October at Andover magistrates. If he is found guilty, it will have far reaching implications for everyone residing in this country. This law was specifically added to the statute books - keeping the miners' strike in mind.

## Editorial

## You Are Nott Fin

Welcome to Nott Fin 5. As you can probably see we are getting better at putting the thing together - this is due to someone with a bit of computer/printing know-how joining the Fin-folk. Hope you like the new format - it's cheaper to print, quicker to produce and more environmentally friendly having no staples.

For those of you who haven't seen a FIN before, Free Information Networks grew out of the Traveller/Free Festival scene and developed into more city/community based papers providing information for like minded individuals. During the late '80's there were FINs across the country, but now our numbers are dwindling, although Nott FIN has grown beyond all our early expectations. At the same time alternative subcultures have been attacked by the police, courts and media, and by new laws aimed at making life increasingly difficult for those looking for an alternative way of life. We have set up Nott FIN to provide information for Nottingham's subcultures. We aim to let people know what's been going on locally and nationally, covering those areas which the mainstream media ignores or lies about, and encouraging people to get involved. Nott FIN is not just about communication, it's about action.

You are Nott FIN, we are just facilitators. We need you to send information, write articles, get involved. If you feel we have missed something then it's your fault for not telling us. You can just write to us and tell us what you think - we get more mail from around the country than we do from Notts. We want to know if we're doing it right.

We also need money - the FIN in your hand cost 10p to produce so even small donations are a great help. We should be having several benefit gigs before Christmas with some excellent bands planned (see Next FIN Oct/Nov) so come along.

Communication is what the FINs are all about, so don't throw this away. Give it to someone else, photocopy it etc. FIN is anti-copyright. If you want to be on our mailing list send us some stamps or a donation and we'll send you FINs hot off the press.

## Treetops Travellers

Travellers staying on the 'Treetops' site on Old Colwick Road have finally been granted planning permission to make their site official, despite predictable opposition from Tory councillors. The decision doesn't yet give them the right to stay but they can now apply for a license from the council's environmental health officers. Tory councillor Mich Curtis opposed their application on the grounds that it would cost too much to upgrade the site and provide mains services but a spokesperson for the travellers described this as a "thinly disguised ruse" to get rid of them.

The application could yet be thwarted by new legislation planned by the government. George Young, the housing minister, has revealed proposals to repeal parts of the 1968 Caravan Sites Act on the grounds that it doesn't work (interesting precedent this, perhaps they should apply this way of thinking to the drugs laws). Main proposals include:

1. Removing local authorities obligations to provide sites for travellers. They wouldn't have to close existing sites but if they did they would have to rehouse the occupants.
2. Making it a criminal offence to park caravans on any land without permission.
3. Powers for local authorities to tow away illegally parked vans if they get a warrant from magistrates.
4. Powers to prevent offenders returning to sites within two years.
5. Powers to confiscate vehicles and caravans as a last resort.

These new laws will effectively outlaw travelling as a way of life because local authorities will lose their grants to set up traveller sites and therefore won't bother. As it will be a criminal offence to just park up on the nearest piece of land the only possibility for travellers will be to find a site, apply for planning permission (which they probably won't get due to protests from "concerned" local residents) and pay for all the work that needs doing themselves. The delays and cost make this an impossible dream and because of this the new laws have been described as the government's own version of "ethnic cleansing" and as a "Nicolae Ceausescu reaction" by travellers spokespeople.

## Stop Press:

While the government is introducing new laws there's still plenty of controversy over the old ones. Under the present legislation, if a local authority can show it has provided enough sites for travellers, they can apply for their area to be "designated". This makes it an offence for travellers to park on any land other than official sites. This law is presently being challenged in the European Court of Justice because it discriminates against gypsies and other travellers. How the new laws will affect this case remains to be seen.



PLEASE REMAIN CALM. EVERYTHING IS UNDER CONTROL. PLEASE

"At that time, no-one was taking prisoners. The battles themselves ... were a *matanza* (mass killing). We never thought there was any question of taking prisoners either by them or us. During such a battle there is no room for prisoners" thus speaks Horacio Benitez a 20-year old Argentine conscript who was shot in the head while fighting against both 3 and 2 Para in the final battle on Mount Longdon and Wireless Ridge, during the Falkland Islands conflict.

On 16th August the *Independent On Sunday* reported that the MoD was to investigate claims by a former lance-corporal with 3 Para, Vincent Bramley, in his book describing his experiences during the Falklands Conflict that members of his unit were responsible for contraventions of the Geneva Convention namely

that a number of prisoners were killed both during the nightmare heat of battle and in the cool light of post battle clear ups.

He describes how two other Paras, referred to here as X and Y, took three prisoners during a firefight. Y later told Mr. Bramley what happened: "[An NCO] came ... up to us. We explained the situation. He looked at the prisoners. One spoke perfect English, with an American accent. We were really surprised ... We questioned them for some minutes. All spoke perfect English, praising our soldiering. The [NCO] fucked off and came back after ten minutes or so. He took X aside while I guarded the prisoners. X came back to me and said 'Get them over this ridge quickly'. We pushed them the 15 metres, out of view, then suddenly X let rip, shooting them all dead. I helped make sure they were completely dead."

*Mr. Bramley writes that X told him that orders to shoot the prisoners had come from above, because they were suspected to be American mercenaries - a fact that could have embarrassed President Reagan's staunchly pro-British line during the war.*

On 2nd May 1982 the warship General Belgrano had been sailing away from the 200 mile British exclusion zone around the Falkland Islands for eleven hours. Mrs. Thatcher, the then British Prime Minister, gave final approval for the General Belgrano to be attacked. At 16.01 HMS Conqueror sank the General Belgrano with 368 Argentine naval personnel losing their lives in this horrific episode. Within two days, as a direct reprisal for this act, the Argentine Naval force attacked HMS Sheffield with exocet missiles; 21 British naval personnel died. Until these two incidents a negotiated settlement was within completion. As yet there is no possibility of a war crimes trial for the now Baroness Thatcher.

When the final Argentinean surrender was finally accepted Major General Jeremy Moore telexed London with the message 'The Falkland Islands are once more under the government desired by their inhabitants. God save the Queen'. This would imply that the only significance of the Falklands is that a few ex-patriot Brits do a bit of farming on some cold and windswept moors who in 1982 suddenly found themselves under armed occupation and needed rescuing. The truth is not quite the romantic story most would have us believe. Back in the days before plastic explosives the only way to manufacture high explosives was from naturally occurring substances. The active ingredient is soda. The primary source of soda in the natural world is kelp seaweed. One of the most bountiful sources of kelp was to be found in the Falkland Islands and this is a contributory factor as to why in the early 1770s Britain saw fit to threaten Spain with war unless the Falklands could continue to be exploited by British industry and military. British military presence on the islands left in 1774. Argentine independence from Spain in 1816 brought no power to the Argentine republic's claims to Falklands Sovereignty. The rationale was that possession of the Falklands would strengthen British sea power and provide a base for whaling and the suppression of piracy. The opening of the Panama Canal reduced the geo-political importance of the Falkland Islands. The British descendent population (1,813 in 1980) relied on wool production for income. £2m worth of wool was exported to the UK each year but not for the Falklanders benefit. 42% of the land and 66% of the wool crop is owned by the Falklands Islands Company (now a wholly owned subsidiary of Coalite). Only one sixtieth of the profit from the wool was invested back into the Falklands. The average wage of a Falklands farm worker in the early 1980s was £60 compared to £100 in the UK. The motives for the latest Falklands conflict was simply power and greed.

The official reason for the escalation of the Gulf situation into full blown military conflict was that Saddam Hussein had occupied Kuwait in contradiction to international law. Due to the amount of money invested in Iraqi military force by Western governments the mere threats of military action were considered insufficient by Baghdad as they considered themselves as suitably armed to defend their position and as a consequence hands were forced all round. Justification of the war by the Allied Forces was both the illegal occupation of Kuwait and the atrocities being acted on the Kuwaitis and other foreign nationals within Kuwait.

Military force is once again threatened against Iraq due to the violence acted on the Kurds and any form of insurrection on the part of Iraqi nationals against the Hussein Military Junta and the way UN officials cannot accurately assess the military power of the Iraqi army (I would of thought that just asking British Aerospace, Thorn EMI etc. would have been quicker and easier!).



In the mid 1100s Henry II was asked by the papacy to take Ireland due to the unfavourable impression of the Irish church given to them by St Malachy. In 1171 Henry became overlord to the Irish kings and was recognised by Rome as 'Lord of Ireland'. This was only the beginning of the English conquest of Ireland. English law was not imposed in Ireland until the visit of King John in 1210 but this was only applied to the Norman settlers, the native Irish being, in the main, considered as *betaghs* (serfs or villeins).

The Scottish invasion of Ulster in 1315 and the subsequent crowning of Edward Bruce as King of Ireland (a title he was to hold until October 1318 when he was overthrown and killed) broke the power of the English ruling influence. 1366 saw the beginning

of true oppression of the Irish way of life. A sort of Anglo-Norman / Irish apartheid became statute.

Rather than direct rule from England, Henry VIII appointed the Earl of Kildare as his representative. In 1534 Henry wanted to strengthen the English position. He called Kildare to England to remove him from office. Kildare left his son, Lord Offlay, in charge. Lord Offlay, as a consequence of English intervention and the mistaken belief that Henry had executed Kildare, renounced his loyalty to the House of Tudor after 400 years of English involvement in Irish affairs resulting in complete disempowerment of the Irish people. He chose the path of violent resistance rather than submit to English rule. In face of this defiance, Henry had no option but to take effective military action, and from this the slow intermittent and costly process of a systematic conquest gradually developed.

The 1580s saw the English Government, under the leadership of Elizabeth I, view Roman Catholicism as synonymous with treason. It was this conviction that prepared the way for a systematic politico-religious persecution well into the following century. The twentieth century still sees the oppression of the Catholic majority within. Violent insurrection in 1916 united many of the Irish people behind the Republican cause. Sinn Fein (meaning 'we ourselves', formed in 1905) abandoned it's objection to the use of force. In 1918 Sinn Fein won 73 of 105 seats in a general election of all Ireland. This led to a new state of Northern Ireland in 1921 with Eire becoming self governing. Without recognised frontiers with respect to armed struggle the Irish Republican Army could only act as a guerrilla force. The 'Black and Tans', a police force responsible for the 'security' of the Irish state - operating much of the time without jurisdiction or control, could only act in reprisal against an enemy without uniform or great structure. The RUC and the British Army now share this role. The feeling of oppression, as anyone who has visited Belfast will tell you, still runs deep in the Irish people. No-one has threatened Britain with either sanctions or military force in order to remove the occupying force from Irish soil.

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*Independent On Sunday*

*The Secret House - David Bodanis, Sidgwick & Jackson*

*The Sinking of the Belgrano - Desmond Rice and Arthur Gavshon, Secker & Warburg*

*A Short History of Ireland - J. C. Beckett, The Cresset Library*

PEOPLE PLANET PEACE



Sunday September 13th  
Free 12-5

Victoria Embankment

food - music - stalls - exhibitions - bike park -  
free bike safety checks - children's events - circus skills

Bands :

12pm

Seamus O'Blivion's Megadeth Morris Men

1pm

The Waiting List

2pm

Marcel Marceau

3.15pm

El Nagueae

4.15pm

Paul Baker's Blues Band

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PEOPLE PLANET PEACE



# Boots Demo

Ten years ago, the ALF staged their first raid on Boots laboratories, rescuing twelve beagles and exposing the company as one of Britain's major vivisectionists. Two years ago another seven beagles were rescued. Since then, a surge of interest has occurred with many animal-rights groups holding regular pickets and actions against the high street vivisectionists.

Boots has desperately tried to clean up its public image whilst simultaneously using the courts to attack those who dare to speak the truth. Their latest claim is that their cosmetics are "cruelty-free". Whilst the final products may not be tested on animals many of the ingredients have "medicinal" uses and their toxicity to humans is routinely assessed using animals. It is then a simple matter to mix up some cosmetics and claim that they weren't tested on animals.

Remember, Boots are one of the largest pharmacists in the U.K. and kill many animals a year testing their "medicines".

## The Demo

To highlight Boots vivisection activities a national demonstration has been called for. This is to be held in Nottingham, their headquarters and home to one of their two known vivisection labs. There will be a march, rally and cruelty-free fair with speakers, stalls, videos and refreshments.

## What you can do

1. Attend the march with as many people as possible.
2. Get leaflets to distribute in your area. (£9/1000 from NARC)
3. Involve your local animal rights group in its own campaign against Boots.

Further information on the march, and on Boots in general, can be obtained from the addresses below.

**Nottingham Animal Rights Confederation**

180 Mansfield Road, Nottingham. NG1 3HU 0602 585 666

**London Boots Action Group**

c/o ALARA, 58 Seven Sisters Road, London. N7 6AA

**Animal Liberation Investigation Unit**

P.O. Box 155, Manchester. M60 1FT 061 953 4039

## Torpedo Town

Police overkill in Hampshire may well have prevented a festival of Castlemorton size gathering at Bramshott Common in early August but the determination of people to hold a festie resulted in two smaller sites being used. Nott FIN went to both festies, one at Otterbourne, near Winchester, and the other a few miles away on the outskirts Romsey.

Despite the attempts of the police to stop entry to both festivals, the sheer number of travellers vehicles which were stopped at roadblocks brought the A31 to a standstill, and entry to the Otterbourne site had to be granted. At Romsey police spoke of being in utter confusion and riot

police were on the streets on both Friday and Saturday nights. We at Nott FIN were told that police DID use CS gas to disperse travellers in Romsey on the Friday. (We heard they used CS 'knock out' sprays to immobilize people.) This was something not reported by the established media scum, who portrayed a picture of travellers as rampaging scruffy dole scroungers, intent on arson, vandalism and intimidation of locals.

There were a good few thousand people at both festies, and two stupid people who did their best to sabotage a peaceful event by setting fire to a council incinerator plant (on the Otterbourne site). Travellers

handed one of the culprits to the police, the other got a kicking. Neither of them were travellers, it was travellers who helped the fire service in putting out the blaze, and it was travellers who tidied up the sites after they were handed eviction orders by police in riot gear.

Hampshire police said there wouldn't be a festival in Hampshire. They were right - there were two.

## Winter Drawers On

**Woodburners  
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## Millennium

Hulme in Manchester was the setting for the 'end of millennium' community arts festival which ended with an all night rave on Saturday 29th August. With the last of the squatters and travellers now moving off, the council are ready to move in and 'demolish Hulme'. The council had granted money towards the all night party, which included an exploding volcano, smoking dragons, firecrackers, all night music, sound systems from Nottingham's DIY, light shows and other entertainments.

It didn't get packed in the crescent, but enough people turned out in the rain to enjoy the night's fun. Police stayed away till the morning, when they attempted to make two arrests, which merely appeared to be a crude attempt to provoke the party goers. A few bottles were thrown at police vehicles which forced the police to retreat for awhile. Many people left the crescent soon after realizing that the heavy handed Manchester police would be back in force. It wasn't long before a police helicopter buzzed around overhead and scores of police began surrounding the crescent. At this time that we from Nott FIN left, but we later heard reports that the police went in with dogs and that arrests were made. If anyone out there can tell us more please write to us at the usual address, we'll report it in the next FIN.



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## Conviction

Imagine being arrested for something you haven't done, and after spending months in jail on remand and going through the trauma of the trial and being sent down, starting a prison term with no one there to help you. The National Association of Probation Officers estimates that there are currently 500 people wrongfully imprisoned, other estimates go as high as 700. While in cases like the Birmingham six and Guildford four, family and friends have come together to form a campaign and eventually get them freed, not everyone has this kind of support. Sometimes even a prisoners' solicitor will show little interest in the case and not keep the prisoner properly informed. A group called "Conviction" exists for such people. Conviction provide active support for the prisoner, largely by giving them a link to the outside world in such a difficult time, but also by publicising cases, encouraging other organizations to take on cases, and helping the appeal process where they can. However, Conviction is just a small group with limited resources, who can only help so many prisoners at once, so we have decided to get a group going in Nottingham and need your help. Initially the work will involve gathering together the essential data on a case, and then summarising it. This summary can then be used in publicising the case and encouraging other relevant organizations to take an interest. The people at

Conviction can sometimes give direct practical help at an appeal, e.g. by contacting a particular solicitor/forensic expert etc. Throughout the process close contact is kept with the prisoner, which is often the most important thing: your support can keep someone going at a time when s/he may be confused, lonely or suffering at the hands of the prison system. It can be reassuring just for someone to take an interest in their case and believe in their innocence.

If you would be able to help us in this practical support for framed prisoners, please write to Nott FIN and we'll get in touch with further details. If anyone can visit people in prison, that would be especially helpful.

If you don't want to get involved, you can still help by subscribing to Conviction's news letter, which carries information on framed prisoners, and gives addresses to write to them. Although it may seem strange writing to someone you don't know, any letter will be appreciated, and it is important for prisoners to know that people have heard of their cases and believe in their innocence.

Contact :  
**CONVICTION, PO Box 522,  
Sheffield, S1 3FF; a subscription  
is just £2.**

## The People's Land Group

Why is land so special? Isn't it just another commodity to be traded and consumed? This is certainly the accepted view in our "advanced" civilisation but land is the surface of our planet, the skin of our mother Earth which sustains all life - your life depends on it! How can we pretend to own it or trade it? How can we exploit it without dire consequences?

The so called "primitive" peoples of the world would find our attitude to land rather childish, if it wasn't so terribly dangerous and destructive. For these people revere and respect the earth - they don't rip her apart for uranium mines or deforest vast tracts for hamburger meat. What can we do? Most of us couldn't begin to live like tribal Indians, even if our circumstances allowed us. This is where the People's Land Group comes in. We believe that we have a responsibility for the good stewardship of the Earth, and that the "ownership attitude" is a barrier to good stewardship. (This applies just as much to state ownership as to private enterprise). We believe in bringing about change by peaceful means - anything else would be futile and self-defeating. So we must start with the present system of land-holding, and look for ways of transforming it into something a bit less insane.

Our first step has been to set up a democratic land stewardship trust. Now we are appealing for gifts of land, and for money to "buy" land, on which to practice our ideals of good stewardship. We are also looking for new members. Everyone who joins the People's Land Group is asked to give 2% of their income to the trust fund, this entitles you to become a trustee. So anyone who is prepared to take responsibility for our land will have the right to do so. The rules of the trust have been very carefully thought out. We cannot become a vast remote organisation because whenever we grow past a certain size, we have to split into two smaller land trusts. The aim is to have lots of land groups each with its own particular area or special interest. They will all be bound by the rules they inherit - the important ones can't be changed - but otherwise independent, i.e. no head office or central bureaucracy.

We aim to gradually transfer land from ownership to stewardship, but we can only do it with your help. You could join us and share the responsibility for this process. You could donate money or land, either now or by way of a legacy. Given your support land groups can flourish, grow and divide, grow more and divide more, until there is one in each region, each county, and perhaps every town and village. It's really up to you.

If you would like more information or to become a member of the PLG, please write enclosing an S.A.E. to:

**People's Land Group  
58 Clarence Street  
Burnley  
Lancs.**

## Write to animal rights prisoners.

**Vivian Smith:** TT2743, HM Prison, Parkhurst Rd, Holloway, London. Vivian was sentenced to six years at Maidstone Crown Court on 30th of June for attempted arson.  
**Ronnie Lee:** VO2682, LB2 Clyde, HMP Channings Wood, Denbury, Newton Abbot, Devon, TQ12 6DW. Ronnie is serving ten years on conspiracy and incitement charges. He is due to be released in November.

**Michael Shanahan:** HD2664, HMP Stockton, Stockton Hall Road, Stretton, Nr Oakham, Leics LE15 7RD.

**Barry Horne:** HD2665, HMP Millers Park, Dodington Rd, Wellingborough, Northants NN8 2NH. Michael and Barry are both serving three years for possession of incendiaries.

**Mark Power:** HP0606, HM Prison, Winson Green Rd, Birmingham B18 4AS. Mark was sentenced to four years on various charges of criminal damage and arson.

**Alistair Mullan:** A8028, A Wing, H6, HMP Maze, Lisburn, Co. Antrim, BT27 5RF

**Dave Nelson:** A8030, H6, HMP Maze, Lisburn, Co. Antrim, BT27 5RF

**Graeme Campbell:** A8029, HMYOC, Hydebank Wood, Hospital Road, Belfast, BT8 8NA.

**Dave Blenkinsop:** DV1530, HM Prison, Hornby Road, Walton, Liverpool, L9 3DF

**Martin Eggleton:** DV1518, HM Prison, Hornby Road, Walton, Liverpool, L9 3DF

**John Curtin:** DX0978, HM Prison, Hornby Road, Walton, Liverpool, L9 3DF

**Alistair Howson:** DV1514, HM Prison, Hornby Road, Walton, Liverpool, L9 3DF

**Neil Croucher:** DV1515, HM Prison, Hornby Road, Walton, Liverpool, L9 3DF

**Graham Wood:** DX0976, HM Prison, Hornby Road, Walton, Liverpool, L9 3DF

**Keith Mann c/o PO Box 155, Manchester, M60 1FT.** Keith is currently being moved around from one police station to another and so any letters should be sent to the above address.

## Rock and Reggae

On page 14 of the last FIN we printed information for people at the Rock & Reggae, particularly asking people to be nice to the security (because they weren't a firm of heavies, but people like us employed to make sure everything ran smoothly), not to make any litter, and to respect the fact that noise couldn't be "excessive" or go on too late (e.g. no illicit all night parties on site). There was also a warning to travellers about the paranoid hassle they could expect off the police. We know that some people didn't like this article, they felt like we were telling people what to do and we were being patronising. This is not the case - the Rock and Reggae asked us to pass on information to people, which we did. That's what we're here for - any local group or individual organising something which might appeal to our readers can and should get in touch so that we can publicise it. The article was asking people to behave themselves (something you might not expect from us) but bear in mind that the authorities could hold the Rock and Reggae committee responsible for any "trouble" (e.g. all night music) - the committee are volunteers who worked fucking hard to get the festival together against all the efforts of the city council to sabotage it, and we didn't want to see them shat on in return. Also, despite all the pre-festival gossip that there was no way there was going to be a festival next year (often spread by people who had nothing to do with the festie) because there was no "trouble" this year there should be one next year - why not get involved?



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# Health Food Boycotts

This list is based on information supplied by Mid-Somerset Earth First! It is aimed at people who choose to buy health foods for ethical reasons. Many so-called "right-on" products turn out to be produced and/or supplied by dodgy bastards. The list is set out company by company. Because of the nature of these things there may be some mistakes - if you feel that a company should not be on this list write and tell us and we will correct the mistake. Equally any further information would be appreciated.

Food Type	Brand Names	Some Alternatives
<b>Allied Lyons - A large multinational involved in food and brewing. They carry out animal testing and in 1989 gave £110,000 to the Tory party.</b>		
Molasses	Applefords	Meridian
Rice Cakes	Applefords	Kallo, Healthy Choice
Mincemeat	Applefords	Meridian
Low-calorie sugar	Diet-Ade	Why use sugar?
Low-calorie drinks	Diet-Ade	Whole Earth, Meridian
<b>Archer-Daniels-Midland - An American company with a poor environmental record who own a subsidiary that subscribes to BIBRA (a large government funded animal testing laboratory). Unfortunately they own a large chunk of the UK health food market.</b>		
Various	Granose.	
Frozen Foods	Vegetable Feasts.	Savoury Kitchen, Country Cooks.
Rice	Country Wild, Quinoa, Wild rice	loose rice.
Grains	Quinoa.	loose grains.
Mustard	Mountain Spring.	
Meal packs	Be-Well, Whole Meal, Hera, Direct Foods.	Pasta Pots, Triangle, Prewetts.
Meat alternatives	Protoveg, Sosmix, Vegebanger, Vegeburger.	Diet Burger, Veggies(Nottingham)
Soya Milk	So Good, Granose.	Provamel, Unisoy.
Dairy Products	So Good, Genice Foods.	Unisoy, Longley Farm
Soups	Hera, Direct Foods.	Triangle

**Billingtons - A company involved with the meat industry.**

Sugar	Billingtons	Ethos
<b>Booker - Own the world's largest chicken breeding business, for factory farming, and are involved with meat production. Recently sold Holland and Barrett to Lloyds Chemists, who have an OK ethical record, and sold off their vitamin interests.</b>		
Wholesaler	Brewhurst Health Food Supplies	
Various	Healthrite	
Tea	Healthrite, Jacksons of Picadilly	Luaka, Clipper, Kukicha
Carob drink	Creamy Carob	Kalibu
Flour	Allinson	Doves Farm, Marriages, Jordans.
Dairy Products	Loseley	Unisoy, Longley Farm, Schwalbchen.
Cereals	Zwicky	Jordans, Kallo, Whole Earth, Doves Farm.
Meal Packs	Fantastic Foods	Pasta Pots, Triangle
Diet Aids	Healthcrafts	
Energy Drinks	Ultra-Fuel	
Toiletries	Mill Creek, Healthrite	Creightons, Tiki

**Borthwicks - A company involved with the meat industry.**

Vegetable Suet Ashland.

**BSN - The worlds third largest food company, owning two companies irresponsibly marketing baby milk to the developing world. This is made up with dirty water, and is a common cause of death, whereas breast feeding is safe.**

Mineral Water Evian Vimiero, Strathmore.

**Grand Metropolitan - One of the UK's largest multinationals, involved with tobacco, alcohol, chemicals and the dairy industry amongst others. It has interests in South Africa, and owns Wimpy and Burger King.**

Drinks Aqua Libra, Dexters, Whole Earth, Purdey's Elixir Vitae. Meridian, Aspell.

**Hanson - A large and very acquisitive multinational; involved in the tobacco industry, subscribes to BIBRA (animal testing), and gave £102 000 to the Tory party in 1987.**

Sea Salt Hofels Lanes, Maldon, Tidman's. Vitamin/Herbal Tablets Hofels, Seven Seas. Quest, Earthlore, FSC, Weleda.

Tissue Salts New Era.

**Hillsdown Holdings - One of the UK's main factory farming companies, involved with broiler production and owns Daylay Eggs. Europe's largest animal slaughterer.**

Teas Melroses, Ridgeways. Luaka, Clipper, Kukicha. Herbal Teas Country House, Heath and Heather, London Herb and Spice, Secret Garden. Pompadour, Celestial Seasonings.

Vegetable Drink Natural Break. Vecon, Natex. Herbs and Spices Heath and Heather. loose herbs.

Food Type	Brand Names	Some Alternatives
<b>JLI - A company involved with the meat industry.</b>		
Canned Tomato Juice	Jaffa Sky.	
<b>Mitsubishi - Every year they import 500,000 cubic metres of tropical timber into Japan. They are also involved with the nuclear power and armaments industries.</b>		
Cooking Oil	International Collection	Meridian, Community, NOW, Pura.
<b>Philip Morris - A large American food company that has interests in the meat industry, carries out animal testing and owns Marlboro cigarettes. It has recently funded Senator Jesse Helms, who is blocking AIDS research in the US.</b>		
Coffee	Cafe Hag.	Lanes (dandelion coffee), Symingtons.
<b>Nestle - Nestle are being boycotted worldwide for their irresponsible marketing of baby milk to the developing world, causing hundreds of thousands of infant deaths annually. They carry out animal testing and have been criticised for their treatment of workers in Brazil.</b>		
Coffee Alternatives	Caro	Lanes(dandelion coffee), Symingtons
Pate	Tartex, Vessen	
Chilli Sauce	Maggi	Urd, Chalice Foods, Cauldron Foods, Suma Lotus

**(For a complete list of Nestle products to boycott, contact BMAC, 6 Regent Terrace, Cambridge CB2 1AA.)**

**Rank Hovis McDougall - One of the UK's largest multinationals. They subscribe to BIBRA (animal testing) and in 1989 gave £30,000 to the Tory party.**

Pasta Santari, Record. Euvita, DeBole's. Drinks Orangina. Whole earth, Meridian, Aspell

**Ridpath Brothers - Involved with the meat industry and lard production.**

Coffee Alternatives Barleycup Lanes (dandelion coffee), Syningtons. Snacks Sesame snaps Jordan, Holly Mill, Whole Earth

**Roche - A large Swiss pharmaceutical company that markets inappropriate drugs in the developing world, manufactures tranquillisers and subscribes to BIBRA (animal testing)**

Vitamin/herbal tablets Redoxon Quest, Earthlore, FSC, Weleda.

**Uniliver - One of the worlds largest food companies, criticised for animal testing, its environmental record and poor wages and conditions in the developing world. It has interests in South Africa.**

Margarine Tomor Meridian, Suma, Vitaquell

**United Biscuits -They own Ross and Youngs (meat & fish), and in 1989 gave £106,000 to the Tory party.**

Meal packs. Linda McCartney. Pasta Pots, Prewetts, Triangle. Oatcakes Mairns Now, Paterson, Vessen.

**Verenigde Bedrijven Nutricia NV - A Dutch company owning Cow and Gate, involved in the irresponsible marketing of baby milk to the developing world.**

Cereals Nutricia Jordans, Kallo, Whole Earth, Doves farm.

**Wardell Roberts - An Irish company involved with the meat industry.**

Gravy mix Healthilife Just Naturally Vitamins Healthilife Quest, Earthlore, FSC, Weleda.

**Wittington Investments - A large company specializing in food that gave £100,000 to the Tory Party in 1990. It has a subsidiary that subscribes to BIBRA (animal testing)**

Bran Allinson Prewetts Wheatgerm Allinson Froment Yeast Allinson Luaka, Clipper, Kukicha Tea Twinings



# The Local A.L.F. reports 1991

In case you think the bastards have been having it all their own way, here is the news of the local A.L.F. activities for the last year.

However we must stress that the Nott Fin does not get involved in nor advocates illegal activities, our society will remain inside the law no matter how morally bankrupt that law is.

## Nottinghamshire

A car belonging to a hunt supporter that had repeatedly had its tyres slashed, was later paint stripped. Numerous butchers windows in the city in the city and surrounding districts were catapulted, one large butchers in Forest Field repeatedly had its windows smashed and catapulted. In June shops displaying circus posters were sent warning notes cut from newspapers.

Freeston's Wholesale Meat Company at Meadow Lane had several lorries attacked with paint stripper, etching fluid and their tyres slashed. A storage building and contents was also torched, causing thousands of pounds worth of damage. A couple of weeks later adverts were placed in local papers selling expensive goods cheaply and carrying Freeston's daytime phone number, countless bargain hunters no doubt kept staff busy and extended Mr. Freeston's annoyance. Two battery hens were rescued from a newly built farm. Four lorries at Masons Bros meat wholesalers were destroyed when incendiary devices went off in their cabs causing half a million pounds worth of damage to the vehicles at Pork Farms at Basford. Two undriven J-registration vans and a car went up causing extensive damage to the building they were parked in, activists drilled through a fire door to gain access to the building without disturbing alarms. A week later

**We have order forms for A.L.F. SG merchandise if you want them. Send as SAE to Box FIN, c/o the Rainbow Centre, Mansfield Road, Notts.**

## Fascism in Notts.

On Saturday Aug. 22nd, the nazi British National Party had called a "public rally" at Flintham, between Nottingham and Newark. At very short notice, the Anti-Nazi League and Nottingham Anti-Fascist Action managed to mobilise over 250 counter demonstrators who arrived at Flintham in the pouring rain. As a direct result, the BNP cancelled their rally and refused to show their face. Further info. and how to get involved:

N.A.F.A. P.O. BOX 179, Nottingham NG1 3AQ.  
A.N.L. P.O. BOX 209, Derby, DE1 9QX.

In the Nottingham Evening Post on Sept. 3rd, it was reported that Neo-Nazi groups are planning to stage a big British concert in support of the racist violence on the continent. The concert expected to attract up to 2000 supporters will be headlined by Ilkeston band Skrewdriver. They don't say where the concert will be but watch this space or contact N.A.F.A. at the above address.

There have been numerous reports of Nazis gathering at the Nine Ladies stone circle near Matlock Bath in Derbyshire. On the 20th June, 30-40 Nazis complete with swastikas turned up to hold some sort of weird ceremony. Those present were too freaked or stoned to do anything for fear of violence. This is a horrific incident, so beware.- Source: Monolith News, Issue 10.

McDonalds stores in Clumber Street and Exchange Walk were told bombs had been planted - in light of recent events the calls had to be taken seriously!

## Leicestershire

During the night of 11 - 12th August ALF activists in Leicester raided Stoughton Farm Park and rescued eight male goats that were being reared for slaughter. All are now being spoilt in caring homes. "We always lend a sympathetic ear to animal rights campaigners and are surprised we have been singled out in this way".

## Derbyshire

In June the "E" registered van that belonged to Simon Everett, bloodsport photographer and participant, was torched and destroyed. Two weeks later a horse box belonging to hunt supporter Paul Hudson was torched in Curzon Rd, Long Eaton. Butchers shops in Bakewell and Matlock were attacked with catapults and ball bearings later in June. In July ALF activists visited Riber wildlife park at Matlock and released from cages dozens of native birds and animals including foxes, owls, wildcats, others and rabbits. Rabbits were also rescued as they were bred for "food" purposes only. Damage was caused to cages and slogans were written on zoo buildings. Zoo spokesperson Fern Millard echoed an animal abusers favourite "the animals are happy in their enclosures if they weren't happy they wouldn't breed". Some of the animals only enjoyed limited freedom before they were recaptured by zoo staff probably a little concerned about the financial loss. The ALF have vowed "to return and ensure the remaining animals get their freedom alongside those now running wild and free."

# Basic Housing Rights

This is intended to be basic guide to some of the common problems encountered by people living in rented housing. As it is very basic you should always try and get advice if you are in doubt. You can get advice from Shelter (38, Heathcote St, Notts), CAB (24-30 Castle Gate, Notts) or even the council's own housing benefit centre which apparently isn't biased and is much better than you would expect. (Upper Parliament St, Notts).

## Types of Tenancy

Assuming that you moved into a private rented house after Jan 15 1989 and your landlord does not live with you, you are likely to be either an assured tenant or an assured shorthold tenant. These tenancies are both very similar in many respects i.e. you have the right to have repairs carried out by your landlord, the right to quiet enjoyment of your property, the obligation to look after the property and to pay the rent. The difference between them is that assured tenants have the right to stay in the home for the rest of their lives, if they want to, as long as they keep to their tenancy agreement. On the other hand, assured shorthold tenants have their tenancy for a fixed period of time. After this period, the landlord can evict the tenant even if they have kept to their tenancy agreement. The landlord must give you written notice that you an assured shorthold tenant at the start of the tenancy. If he doesn't you are assumed to be an assured tenant. With both these tenancies, the landlord must take you to court to evict you, for any reason. If he doesn't get a court order and tries to throw you out, it is an illegal eviction.

If you share your house with your landlord, you are what is known as an excluded tenant, and your landlord does not have to get a court order to evict you. You therefore have very few rights in this situation.

## Housing Benefit

Most people already know that they can claim housing benefit to help with their rent. If your on income support you should get all your rent paid. If you are on a low wage you should still get some help. Students get no housing benefit, except in very few circumstances.

If you have applied for housing benefit, you will also know that it takes bloody ages to come through. It has been known for them to take 3 or 4 months to get your first cheque out, which of course can get you into serious arrears with your rent. You can get round this by going to the City Treasury and asking for an interim payment. They are legally obliged to pay you an interim payment 14 days after they have received all the relevant information from you, (e.g. completed H.B. forms, proof of rent etc.). The payment should be enough to prevent hardship, so you should ask for enough to pay off your arrears. Be warned that Nottingham City Treasury hates giving out interim payments, and they often try and wriggle out of it. If you have given in all your forms and stuff 14 days ago or more, just keep arguing with them, and demand to see someone higher up. If they still refuse, get it in writing and seek advice (address above).

## Deposits

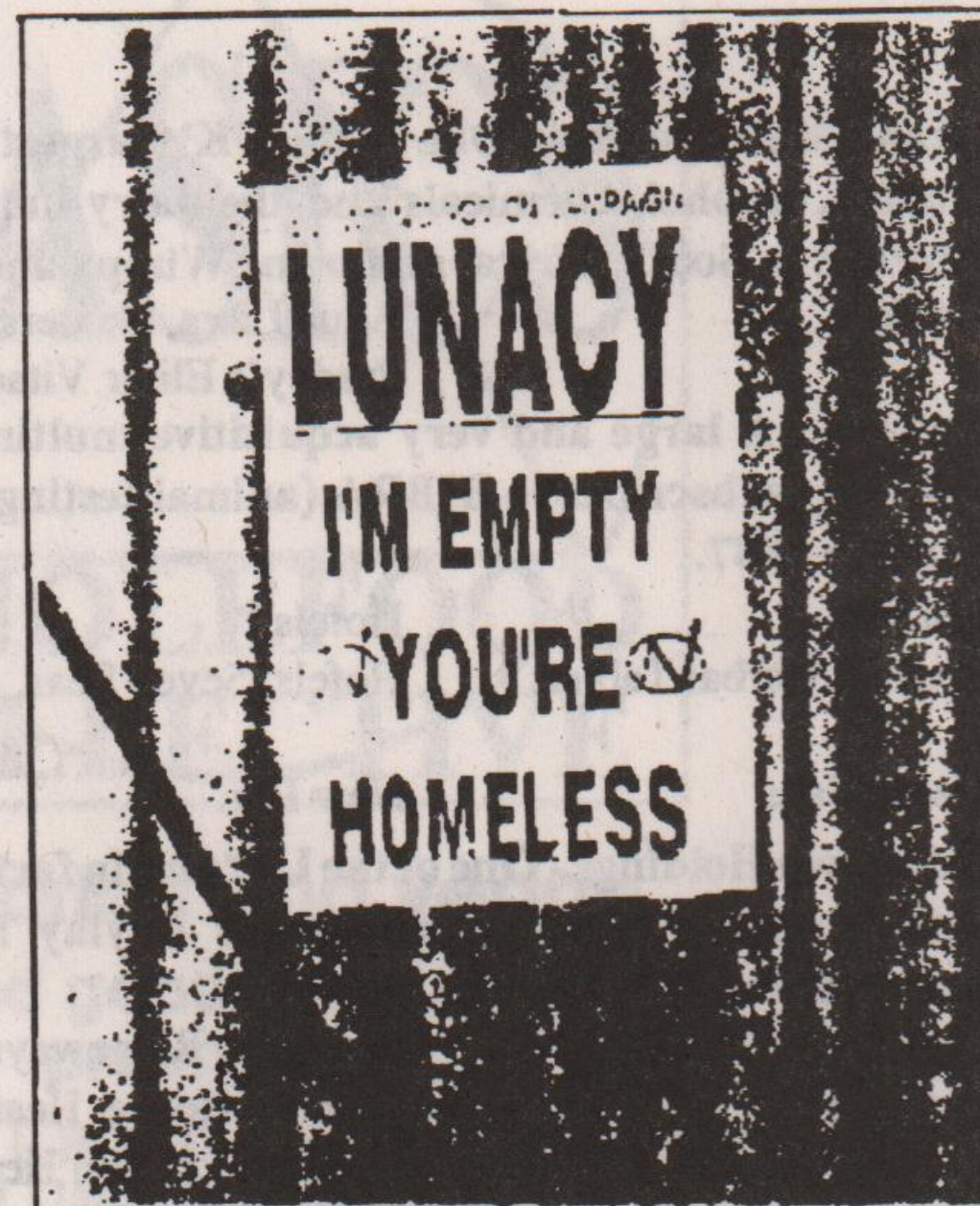
Sometimes landlords try to keep your deposits when you leave your house, when they are not legally entitled to do so. If this has happened to you, you should get advice on how to get it back. Your contract may have specific terms stating situations where the landlord can keep part or all of the deposit, e.g. for rent arrears and damages etc.. These will probably be legally binding. If there is no mention of this in your contract, landlords will probably keep deposits to cover damages etc. anyway. Technically, you could sue them to get it back, but the landlord will probably make a counter-claim for the damages. In cases like this, it would probably be easier to let him keep the deposit. (Just don't pay the last week/months rent. Ed.)

## Harassment and Illegal Eviction

When you are a tenant you have the legal right to 'quiet enjoyment' of your home. If the landlord breaches this right, e.g. behaves violently or cuts off services etc., he may be guilty of harassment. If this is happening you should get advice from the agencies previously mentioned, or possibly a solicitor.

Harassment is a criminal offence with large fines and you will probably be able to sue for compensation as well.

Illegal eviction is when the landlord forces you to leave your home without following the correct legal procedure i.e. not getting a court order, or if he forces you to leave your home because conditions have become intolerable. For example, they may physically throw you out, change the locks when you are out or perhaps cut of water or electricity, thus forcing you to leave. Again illegal eviction is a criminal offence and you will probably be able to sue for compensation.



Homelessness affects everyone



# Rights On Arrest Advice

In practice you have few enforceable rights against the police; even evidence illegally obtained by them can be used against you in court.

## Remember:

1. Don't get drawn into conversations with the police. Apparently innocent remarks can be used against you. You do not have to say or write anything, or sign any statement. You have the right to refuse to answer all police questions. Most people are better off remaining silent when being questioned. If the police suspect you have committed any offence, you can be arrested if you refuse to give your name and address, or if they aren't satisfied with the address you have given.
2. If in doubt, do and say nothing until you have contacted your solicitor, Release, or the Duty Solicitor.
3. If anything you ask for is refused, ask why and remember the reason given.
4. As soon as possible make full notes of what has happened and give them to your solicitor. These can be used as evidence in court. If you have been injured go and see a doctor as soon as possible, giving a full explanation of your injuries.

## On the street - if you are stopped:

1. Check police identity; ask to see their warrant card, and remember the details. If they are uniformed, remember their numbers.
2. If you are stopped and searched in the street, ask why. The police can stop you in any public place if they suspect that you are in possession of 'prohibited articles' such as offensive weapons, or stolen goods.

On the street, the police can only search outer clothing such as coats, gloves etc. If they suspect that you are in possession of illegal drugs, they can take you to a police station for a more thorough search without formally arresting you. They should show evidence of identity before searching you, and must keep a record of the search.

## If you are taken to a police station:

1. The custody Officer should give you a notice setting out your rights.
  - a. You have the right to have someone informed of your arrest.
  - b. You have the right to consult your lawyer or a Duty Solicitor. Advice under the Duty Solicitor scheme is free.
  - c. You have the right to consult the PACE (police and criminal evidence act) codes of practice.Access to legal help and informing someone of your arrest can be delayed if you are suspected of a 'serious offence'.  
**Most important of all, you have the right to remain silent.**
2. Ask if you have been arrested, and if so, why. Ask to see the custody officer as soon as you arrive at the police station. Make sure that the starting time of your detention is correctly recorded at the top of the police custody record, together with a record about whether you need a solicitor or relative informed. Make sure you know why you are being held. The nature of the charges determines your entitlement to rights in the police station.
3. Ask the custody officer to phone your solicitor, the Duty Solicitor, or Release. Insist that a friend or relative is informed of your arrest. You have the right to have someone informed without delay unless you are being detained in connection with a 'serious arrestable offence' (PACE Act section 56). If this is the case, police can delay access to solicitors and relatives in specific circumstances. If they do refuse access, ask why. Insist the reason is recorded on your custody sheet. Even if the police are confident that there are grounds for refusing access to a solicitor, they have to allow access before 36 hours has expired.
4. Ask to be charged or released. Unless you are suspected of a 'serious offence', you must be released or charged with 24 hours of detention, and you have the right to consult a solicitor at any time. Make sure that your request to see a solicitor and the time of the request is recorded by the custody officer.  
Whatever the police say, **never** sign the custody sheet saying you don't want to see a solicitor. Insist on seeing one. If you are held in connection with a 'serious offence' you can be held for up to 36 hours without access to a solicitor, without being charged, if certain conditions are satisfied. For guidance, ask the police for their codes of conduct on detention. You have the right to see them.  
After 36 hours, you have the right to see a solicitor. A magistrate may order your continued detention in the police station for up to 96 hours, with a series of reviews. If after 96 hours, you have still not been charged, you have the right to be released.

5. In order to get bail (i.e. released from the police station before going to court) you will probably have to satisfy the police that you have a fixed address.  
**Remember** - don't admit anything to the police until you have talked to a solicitor. You have the right to remain silent.

## If your home or workplace is to be searched:

Police do not need a warrant or your permission to enter your home in order to arrest someone, but in theory they should name the person sought. Searches can sometimes be conducted without a warrant. In all cases you should ask the reason for the search. You are entitled to see a copy of the search warrant. Police should supply you with information about their powers to search premises. A record of the search must be kept by the police.

"The first dream that I remember is of myself holding the hand of an older man looking out over a beautiful and peaceful valley - suddenly a fox broke cover followed by hounds and strong horses ridden by red-coated huntsmen. The man pointed into the valley and said "That my son is where you're heading". I soon found that out, I am the fox."

Wally Hope 1974 - Organiser of first the Stonehenge festival: sectioned, drugged and reduced to a puke covered corpse by H.M. Government Health dept.

'First they came for the Jews and I did not speak out - because I was not a Jew. Then they came for the communists and I did not speak out - because I was not a communist. Then they came for the trade unionists and I did not speak out - because I was not a trade unionist. Then they came for me - and there was no one left to speak out for me.'

Pastor Niemoeller, victim of the Nazis

Well they're coming for the travellers are you going to speak out, we are.

It is not those who inflict the most but those that can suffer the most who will conquer.