

DECEMBER

MON 1 WIL/BAD/LL/MGM/NTU
TUE 2 WIL/LINE DANCE/SPARTA UN
WED 3 LL/BASE 51/MATRIX TALKBACK/P.LACE/GVO
THU 4 SPARTA/WIL/BAD/WRAG
FRI 5 WAG
SAT 6 WIL/BAD/ **QUILT**
SUN 7 MCC/WOW/**QUILT**

MON 8 LL/WIL LOUGH WOMEN'S BAR
TUE 9 WIL/L.DANCE/SPARTA **WOMEN'S ROOM**
WED 10 LL/BASE 51/GVO
THU 11 WIL/BAD/WRAG/SPARTA
FRI 12 WAG/**LIP SERVICE**
SAT 13 WIL/BAD
SUN 14 MCC

MON 15 LL/WIL
TUE 16 WIL/L.DANCE/SPARTA
WED 17 LL/BASE 51/GVO WOMEN'S MUSIC NIGHT
THU 18 WIL/BAD/WRAG/SPARTA
FRI 19 WAG/**FLUFF BALL**
SAT 20 WIL/BAD/**CELLOS**
SUN 21 MCC NOTTM HYKING DYKES

MON 22 LL/WIL LOUGH WOMEN'S BAR
TUE 23 WIL/LINE DANCE
WED 24 LL/BASE 51/LCCG/GVO
THU 25 **XMAS DAY!**
FRI 26 WAG
SAT 27 WIL/BAD
SUN 28 MCC **LES BREAKFAST**

MON 29 LL/WIL/**FLUFF BAG**
TUE 30 WIL/LINE DANCE/SPARTA
WED 31 LL/BASE 51/**CELLOS**

JANUARY

THU 1 **NEW YEAR'S DAY!**
FRI 2 WAG
SAT 3 WIL/BAD
SUN 4 MCC

MON 5 LL/WIL/GAYLINE/NTU
TUE 6 WIL/L.DANCE/UN/SPARTA
WED 7 LL/BASE 51/MATRIX/GVO TALKBACK
THU 8 WIL/BAD/WRAG/SPARTA
FRI 9 WAG/**CELLOS BAR**
SAT 10 WIL/BAD
SUN 11 MCC/**AMBLERS**

MON 12 LL/LBRO WOMEN'S BAR WIL/GAYLINE/NTU
TUE 13 WIL/L.DANCE/UN/SPARTA
WED 14 LL/BASE 51/GVO
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SAT 17 WIL/BAD/**CELLOS**
SUN 18 MCC NOTTM HYKING DYKES

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TUE 20 WIL/L.DANCE/UN/SPARTA
WED 21 LL/BASE 51/GVO WOMEN'S MUSIC NIGHT
THU 22 WIL/BAD/WRAG/SPARTA
FRI 23 WAG/**CELLOS BAR**
SAT 24 WIL/BAD **CLAIRE MOONEY**
SUN 25 MCC **LES BREAKFAST**

MON 26 LL/LBRO WOMEN'S BAR WIL/GAYLINE/NTU
TUE 27 WIL/L.DANCE/UN/SPARTA
WED 28 LL/BASE 51/LCCG/GVO
THU 29 WIL/BAD/WRAG/SPARTA
FRI 30 WAG/**CELLOS BAR**
SAT 31 WIL/BAD

FEBRUARY

SUN 1 MCC
MON 2 LL/WIL/GAYLINE/NTU
TUE 3 WIL/L.DANCE/UN/SPARTA
WED 4 LL/BASE 51/MATRIX TALKBACK/GVO
THU 5 WIL/BAD/WRAG/SPARTA
FRI 6 WAG/**CELLOS BAR**
SAT 7 WIL/BAD/**CELLOS/GVO**
SUN 8 MCC/**AMBLERS**

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WED 11 LL/BASE 51/GVO
THU 12 WIL/BAD/WRAG/SPARTA **L'OUT! COPY DATE**
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PLEASE CHECK ALL DATES OVER THE HOLIDAY PERIOD

BAD Badminton
GVO Green Velvet Outlaws
LC Lesbian Centre
LCCG Lesbian Centre Coordinating Group
LL Lesbian Line
LPSG Lesbian Parents Support Group
MCC Metropolitan Community Church
NTU Nottingham Trent University
SPARTA Women's Football
UN University Of Nottingham
WAG Women Are Gorgeous
WIL Women's Information Library
WRAG Welfare Rights Advice Group
WOW Women Out Walking
For further info see inside and Listings.

ADVERTISING

Advertise your business/service with LOOKOUT! Over 500 copies distributed in and around Nottinghamshire. Rates from £2 - £15 depending on income and advert size. Phone 0115 985 6981 for more details.

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

Lesbian Line - LL
0115 941 0652

Lesbian & Gay Switchboard - Switch
0115 941 1454

PLEASE NOTE: Unless specified as lesbian only these various groups, services and events may apply to all women or to lesbians, gays and bisexuals.

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EDITORIAL...

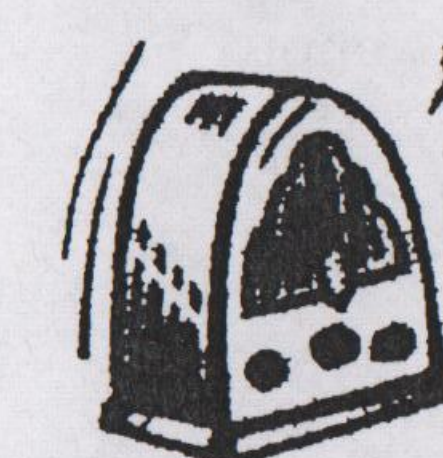
The Lesbian Quiz Night was thoroughly enjoyed by those who took part. Two teams won jointly and shared tickets to Broadway and meals at The Alley Café. However, due to the poor turnout little money was raised, so we still need your donations if you wish LOOKOUT! to continue. Please send money or stamps to LOOKOUT!, c/o Lesbian Centre, Nottingham Women's Centre, 30 Chaucer St, Nottingham, NG1 5LP. Please make cheques payable to "Nottingham Lesbian Community Centre". Thankyou to those of you who have donated already. If you would like your group or activity to be included, or would like to be added to the mailing list, please write to us. LOOKOUT! is also available on tape. Write to us or ring LL for a copy.

NEXT COPY DATE THURS 12 FEB

CELLO'S BAR

From 9 Jan, every Fri, 8-2am, upstairs bar at The Meadow Club, Meadow Lane, Nottingham. Opening night special with Keri Wilson, draught beer £1 all night, selected bottles £1.50.

CELLO'S - Regular women's club night at The Meadow Club, Meadow Lane, Nottm. See diary page for details. NOW EVERY THREE WEEKS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



FLUFFY STUFF...

FLUFF BALL Fri 19 Dec at Nottm Women's Centre, 9.30 til late. Music by Sophie (Hidden Talents). See flyers for admission prices.

FLUFF BAG Xmas Party Night, Mon 29 Dec, 9.30 till late at Skyy Club, Alfreton Rd, Nottingham. See flyers for admission prices. (This event will be predominantly lesbian, but is not exclusive).

HIDDEN TALENTS CABARET AND DISCO Women only, Skyy Club, Alfreton Rd. First act at 9.30, £2/£3.50. If you want to perform ring LL.



LIP SERVICE - Comedy duo Maggie Fox and Sue Ryding present "Withering Looks", a comic insight into the lives and works of three Bronte sisters at the Bonington Theatre, Arnold Leisure Centre, High St, Arnold, on 12 Dec. Ring 0115 956 0733 for tickets and info.

WORLD AIDS DAY - Celebrate at MGM on 1 Dec, with live cabaret from The Shirley Bassey Experience. £3 with flyer.

THE WOMEN'S ROOM

Women only café nights on **Tuesday 9 December** and **Tuesday 10 February** 5.30 - 11pm.

Please note no January event as café will be closed for refurbishment. Veggie/Vegan food, delicious non-alcoholic drinks. Non-smoking in café, smoking area available. (Up alley between Oasis and Feedback on Long Row West, Nottingham city centre, opposite Odeon Cinema and Library).

THE LESBIAN BREAKFAST

On the last Sunday of each month, **28 Dec, 25 Jan, and 22 Feb**, 11 - 2pm. £1.50/£2/£2.50
Lesbian Centre, NWC, 30 Chaucer St, Nottingham. Food, drink, papers, music. Children welcome.

NEW YEARS EVE @ CELLO'S

31st Dec (strangely enough!), 8-2am, The Meadow Club. No live performance. See Cello's flyer for admission prices.

MANCHESTER'S HIGHLY ACCLAIMED

★ ★ ★ **CLAIRE MOONEY** ★ ★ ★
Eddi Reader/Fairground Attraction style vocals - takes a break from her national tour to perform at

NOTTINGHAM WOMEN'S CENTRE

★ **Sat 24 Jan, 8.30 till late £2/4/6** ★
supper available at £2, served from 8.30
★ **Raffle and Bar** ★

"A voice that steals away the coldest heart" NME
"Sharp wit and a formidable social commentator"
All proceeds to Nottingham Lesbian Centre

INFORMATION FOR LESBIANS IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

WALKING GROUPS

NOTTINGHAM HYKING DYKES Walks usually in Derbyshire, 3rd Sun of the month. Bring lunch. 6-10 miles with teashop on the way. Next walks: **Sun 21 Dec** E Bridgford to Kneeton (GR691432) 10.30am at Church **Sun 18 Jan** Out Woods, nr L'boro at 10.30am to Woodhouse Eaves **Sun 15 Feb** Rosliston, nr Swadlingcote, 10.30am, 7 miles. Contact LL/Switch for info.

WOW (Women Out Walking)
Formerly Leicester Hiking Dykes. Open to all women. **Sun 7 Dec**, Castleton, 3 or 10 miles, meet at Leic LGB Centre, 9.15am. Contact Sian 01455 844307 for more info.

SHEFFIELD HIKING DYKES
A walking group for lesbians and women questioning their sexuality. For details contact Deena 0114 268 6409 or Pauline 01623 550209. All walks start at 10.30 unless stated. Next walks **Sun 7 Dec** Cordwell Valley from Totley 8/9 miles, meet at Cross Sides Pub (GR798306), **Sun 21 Dec** from Totley, same meeting details as 7 Dec, 6 miles, **Sun 28 Dec** Baslow, Yeld Wood, Robin Hood, Dobb Edge, Chatsworth Woods, Calton Lees, Chatsworth Park, 7.5 miles, meet at Baslow car park (GR257721), **Sun 11 Jan** Hathersage, 8/9 miles with some climbing. Meet at Outside the outdoor clothing shop in the centre of Hathersage (GR231815), **Sun 25 Jan**, Youlgreave, Elton, Robin Hoods Stride, 6 miles, moderate going. Meet at car park at west end of Youlgreave (GR205641).

DERBY/NOTTINGHAM AMBLERS - NEW GROUP!
For those preferring shorter walks with longer stops! Walks of 3-6 miles with pubs, tea shops and picnics! Every second Sunday of the month from Jan 1998. Phone LL for further details.

TRAINING • TRAINING

NOTTINGHAM WOMEN'S CENTRE COURSES - From Jan 98, "Asian Women's Lives and Experiences". For more info contact Pauline Dorey, TED Project, Women's Centre - 0115 924 0041. Creche available.

WOMEN & MUSIC - Bandwagon Studios, Mansfield offer a range of women only popular music courses covering guitar, bass, keyboards, drums, vocals, recording, music technology, lighting and performance at just £1 per session. No experience necessary, ring Heather Wilson on 01623 422 962 for more details.

MOTOR VEHICLE AND CAR MAINTENANCE FOR WOMEN - Courses leading to NVQ qualifications at the Sheffield College. Contact Roz Wollen on 0114 260 2177.

ACETS - Afro Caribbean Education & Training Services offer new opportunities, new challenges and a new future. Contact Claudette on 953 7471 for more information.

SOCIAL/SUPPORT GROUPS

MATRIX Feminist bi women and lesbians exploring BDSM, meet 1st Wed of the month at The Foresters Inn, corner of Huntingdon St and St Mark's St, at 8pm. Access - 2 small steps into pub, 1 small step to ground floor toilet. Discussion and social nights coming up. **3 Dec** - Talking about talking about sex, **7 Jan** - Design your own small ad, **4 Feb** - The £10 dungeon. New women always welcome.

SELF HELP FOR SELF HARM - A new welcoming and non-judgmental group providing mutual support for women who self harm. Information from Angela on 948 4111 or Caroline on 969 1212.

MENOPAUSE SUPPORT GROUP phone LL for details.

KENRIC - National lesbian social group. Nottm events, phone Jill 0115 9299103 for info.

LESBIANS WITH M.E. - A national support network has been set up (via a newsletter), for lesbians with M.E. If you are interested in finding out more, phone Karon - 01933 383 182

SINGING AND DANCING!

WOMEN'S MUSIC NIGHT
Sweet (and sometimes strange!) sounds emanate from Nottm Women's Centre every 3rd Wed of the month, from 8pm. Previous contributors include singers, guitarists, drummers, recorder, whistle and sax players. New women are always welcome to play, have a jam, or just listen in a relaxed, informal atmosphere. Wheelchair access. For more details phone 985 6981.

RHYTHM OF LIFE - Lincs Women's Aid are running a series of free music workshops in Feb 98. They will include playing and creating music, singing, songwriting and instrument making. Have fun, try something new and create a piece to be performed on International Women's Day. For more info phone 01522 576 761

SPORTS • SPORTS • SPORTS

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

LESBIAN CLIMBING GROUP - Complete beginners and experienced climbers welcome. Day trips, weekends camping/climbing and evening trips to indoor climbing walls. For info call Ali on 0115 977 0516.

WOMEN'S FOOTBALL Sparta Nottingham WFC are looking for new members of all ages and abilities. Training every Thu 6.45 - 8.30pm on the Astroturf at the Forest Recreation Ground. Unwaged £1, waged £2, first week FREE! **NEW SESSION** on Tues, 6-7pm, just turn up and play, £1 per person. Phone Ali on 0115 978 2954 for more info.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

TALKBACK DISCUSSION GROUP - Talkback is a discussion group for female born lesbians. It will be a mixture of informal talks, readings and discussion. The next dates are **3 DEC** lesbian weddings and commitment ceremonies. **7 JAN** speaker on lesbian history. **4 FEB** share your favourite passages from lesbian literature.

TRANSGENDER ACCESS CONSULTATION PROCESS

Following consultation meetings with lesbians born women, women born women and transgendered women, a decision on whether to admit transgendered women to the Women's Centre will be announced by the General Committee in March 1998.

STONEWALL are running a postcard campaign to achieve equality for lesbians, bisexuals and gay men by the year 2000. For your postcard to send to Tony Blair check out the Stonewall box in the Lesbian Centre or phone Stonewall on 0171 336 8860 for more info.

CAN YOU HELP? Are you a lesbian couple deciding to become parents, or do you have a child already? We are a group of documentary students exploring alternative families for a new project. Please contact Sara or Elaine on 01482 494118.



THE NAMES QUILT (Well, part of it!) will be at Base 51, 51 Glasshouse St, Nottingham on **Sat 6 Dec** and **Sun 7 Dec** in celebration of World Aids Day. Everyone welcome, suggested donation £2, under 12s free. Refreshments. There will be a room set aside for quiet contemplation and there will be someone to talk to.

LESBIAN PARENTING GROUP is closed to new members until April 1998. A date for an open meeting will be announced - watch this space.

GREEN VELVET OUTLAWS - Women's Rapper Sword Dancers. Practice Weds, 7.45pm, Robin Hood, Sherwood. New members welcome. Day Workshop, with leader, **Sat 7 Feb**, 10.30 - 3.30. Local (Sherwood) venue, cost to be confirmed. For more info or bookings phone Linda 960 8913 or Marie 910 9153



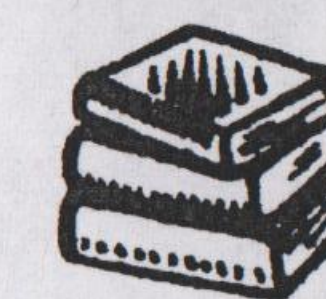
PINK LACE 1998 - Planning/discussion meeting at The Health Shop, Broad St, 3 Dec, 7.30pm, everyone welcome.

OUTSIDE OF NOTTINGHAM

LEICESTER LESBIAN, GAY AND BISEXUAL CENTRE - 15 Wellington St, with QBar on the ground floor, ramped entrance, accessible toilets and a lift to all floors. The café/bar will be open Wed 5-11pm, Thurs & Sat 11am-11pm, Sun 12-3pm. Both Wed 12-2pm and Fri 5-11pm will be women only. **Fri 18 Dec** Xmas Party - Food, drink, games (& possibly Santa's sister!) **Fri 28 Dec** Video eve, upstairs, 7pm - "When Night Is Falling". Befriendings - Women new to Leicester or wanting an intro to the centre phone 0116 255 0667 Mon-Fri, 7.30-10pm to arrange.

SHEFFIELD WOMEN'S CULTURAL CLUB
Fri 5 Dec "Big Ruby" (Women's band) 9pm, £1/2. **Fri 12 Dec** Disco, 9 - late, FREE! **Sat 13 Dec** "Honey Hole" (Band), 9pm, £1/2. **Sun 14 Dec** Xmas Feast, Tickets in adv, £5/8. **Sat 20 Dec** Quiz Night £20 prize, 8.30pm, £1, social after. **Sat 27 Dec** Capricorn Disco, 9pm - late, FREE! **Wed 31 Dec** New Year's Eve Party, Disco and final fling closing down event, 9pm onwards, FREE! Grinders Hill, Off Paternoster Row, Sheffield, S1 2BX, tel: 0114 272 1866. Please support these events to ensure no debts left at closure of centre on 1. 1. 98.

BOOKS AND THINGS



WOMEN'S INFORMATION LIBRARY (WIL) - A large selection of lesbian books available for borrowing.

Open Mon 6.30-8pm, Tues 5.30-7.30pm, Thu 2-4pm and Sat 12-2pm.

PARENTS' FRIEND, support group for parents of lesbians and gay men, have just published a new edition of their "Guide for Parents". For your copy, send a cheque for £3.50, payable to, "Parents' Friend", to Parents' Friend, c/o V A Leeds, Stringer House, 34 Lupton St, Hunslet, Leeds, LS10 2QW.

SEARCHING FOR JOAN - Lesbian books by mail order. Fiction, relationships, parenting, therapy, coming out, humour, bisexuality, erotica, sex roles, abuse, etc. For catalogues please send 2 x 1st class stamps to SFJ (10), 12 Berkeley Rd, Darlington, DL1 5ED.

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