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September

Sun 1	MCC Green Festival
Mon 2	
Tues 3	Walking women mtg
Wed 4	Outhouse Guest speaker
Thurs 5	BAD Heart & Art
Fri 6	Outburst!
Sat 7	BAD
Sun 8	Digging Dykes MCC
Mon 9	
Tues 10	
Wed 11	
Thurs 12	BAD / Ripe WAG- Video & Pizza Nite Outburst!
Fri 13	
Sat 14	BAD
Sun 15	MCC Hyking Dykes
Mon 16	
Tues 17	
Wed 18	
Thurs 19	BAD
Fri 20	BHLC training Hidden Talents
Sat 21	BAD
Sun 22	MCC
Mon 23	
Tues 24	Women's Café Quiz
Wed 25	
Thurs 26	BAD
Fri 27	Outburst!
Sat 28	BAD
Sun 29	MCC
Mon 30	

October

Tues 1	
Wed 2	LGB Forum
Thurs 3	BAD
Fri 4	Outburst!
Sat 5	BAD
Sun 6	MCC
Mon 7	
Tues 8	Women's Café
Wed 9	
Thurs 10	BAD / Ripe
Fri 11	Outburst! WAG games nite
Sat 12	BAD
Sun 13	MCC
Mon 14	
Tues 15	
Wed 16	
Thurs 17	BAD
Fri 18	Outburst!
Sat 19	BAD
Sun 20	MCC
Mon 21	
Tues 22	
Wed 23	
Thurs 24	BAD
Fri 25	Outburst!
Sat 26	BAD
Sun 27	MCC Digging Dykes
Mon 28	
Tues 29	
Wed 30	
Thurs 31	BAD

NB. Unless specified as lesbian only, these groups, services and events may apply to all women or to lesbian, gays and bisexuals.

November

Fri 1	Outburst!
Sat 2	BAD
Sun 3	MCC
Mon 4	
Tues 5	
Wed 6	
Thurs 7	BAD
Fri 8	Outburst! WAG quiz
Sat 9	BAD
Sun 10	MCC
Mon 11	
Tues 12	Women's Café
Wed 13	
Thurs 14	BAD
Fri 15	Outburst!
Sat 16	BAD
Sun 17	MCC
Mon 18	
Tues 19	
Wed 20	
Thurs 21	BAD
Fri 22	Outburst!
Sat 23	BAD
Sun 24	MCC / Digging Dykes Social
Mon 25	
Tues 26	
Wed 27	
Thurs 28	BAD
Fri 29	Outburst!
Sat 30	BAD

KEY

BAD- Badminton
WAG- Women are Gorgeous
MCC- Metropolitan
Community Church

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0115 951 4999

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0115 934 8485

You can contact the Lesbian Centre at: Nottingham Lesbian Community Centre, The Women's Centre, 30 Chaucer St, Nottingham NG1 5LP.

Email us at:

nottslesbiancentre@ntlworld.com

If you would like to be kept up to date with events, information, job advertisements etc between issues you can send us your email address and we will send you updates. Your e-mail address will not be revealed to any one else and you will not be sent any spam.

ROOMS TO HIRE AT THE WOMEN'S CENTRE

The whole building is women only space and can be booked per session (Morning/afternoon/evening), 20% discount for block bookings of 5 or more sessions. Rates start from £7.50. Call the Women's Centre for more information.

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Out and About



Sing Along A Sound Of Music Dress up as your favourite character, watch the film and sing along to the songs! 20th September, Royal Concert Hall £12. Tel: 989 5555

Heart and Art

Music and pasta evening. All pasta dishes vegetarian. 5th September, 7pm onwards. Women only. Tel: 9506022

Hidden Talents Women's Cabaret Night.

Friday 20th September, 8.30pm to 1am, downstairs at the Old Vic, Fletcher gate. £3/£5. *Sat 21st*

BIVEG Vegetarian café/bar. Non-smoking The Poultry Arcade, Nottingham. Mobile vegetarian catering. Tel: 079779988801/2/3. www.biveg.co.uk

Women's quiz night Fun quiz and prizes. All women welcome. Usually second Tuesday of the month. Next date Tuesday 24th Sept, 7pm onwards at The Real Art Café, Heathcote Street, Nottingham. 50p entry.

Nottingham Green Festival. Victoria Embankment. 1st September.

Groups

Outburst! is a group for lesbian, gay and bisexual young people up to 21. Meet at the Health Shop every Friday 6pm-8pm. A space to meet other lesbian, gay and bisexual young

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people, fun events, trips out and guest speakers. Currently more than one third of those attending are young lesbians and bisexual women.

For further information contact the GAI Project, Tel: 0115 947 6868 or Email: gaiproject@nottinghamcity-pct.nhs.uk

Digging Dykes Lesbian gardening group.

A social group for lesbians interested in gardening. Next meetings: 8th September, 3pm, visit to Millennium Garden, Nottingham University; 27th October, 7.30pm, social meeting and dinner; 24th November, 3pm, social meeting. For more information phone Jane 01636 525198. All welcome.



Women's Badminton club on Thursdays and Saturdays. Victoria Leisure Centre. Ring Nottingham Lesbian Line for details 0115 9410652.

Women Are Gorgeous Do you want to meet new friends or extend your social life? Are you new to Nottingham or just coming out? WAG is a friendly social group for lesbians, which meets at 8pm on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Women's Centre, 30 Chaucer Street, Nottingham. Dates for your diary are: September 13th Video & Pizza Night, 11th October games night and planning the Christmas party, 8th November quiz night. For more information, Contact Lesbian Line on 0115 9410652. (Note: The Women's Centre Lesbian Space is situated on the second floor. There is no lift. The Women Centre is a no smoking building)

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Groups continued

Gay Connection – Support for Our Parents and Friends A new group has been launched in North Notts for the parents and friends of gay people. Its called Gay Connection and further details can be found at

www.gayconnection.fsnet.co.uk

Ripe Older women's group (40+). Next meetings, Thursday 12th September and 10th October at 8pm. Meet at Lord Roberts pub, Broad Street. Ring Lesbian Line for more details. 0115 9410652.

Something different this Christmas!

Be creative at La Poterie

Six nights full board, five days pottery tuition, beginners welcome.

Comfortable accommodation, log fires, all the trimmings.

Sat 21st Dec. to Friday 27th December 2002

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Details Sue or kate 0033 243 37 69 59

E-Mail La.Poterie@wanadoo.fr

COURSES at the WOMENS CENTRE

Film & video workshops in October in partnership with Nottingham Trent University

Trace your family using the internet taster as part of Black History month in October in partnership with University of Nottingham



Business start Up course

- ❖ Business Advice Sessions
- ❖ Careers Advice Sessions

Our Women's Lives & Experiences taster in October

-possible workshops for family learning weekend in October.

Noelle House

Supported housing for women only 16yrs+. Gives priority to black women, lesbians (single and couples) and women escaping domestic violence. Tel: 01159119420 for info.



Lookout for Love

New to Notts - mid-30's smoker would like to meet friends of any age for social company, conversation and a good laugh too. I am into the outdoors, walking, gardening, travel, cinema, theatre, nights out and women's issues. **Box 6**

Please make a donation to help with printing costs, cheques made payable to the NLC Centre.

Happy hunting for Ms Right! ♥

To reply to an advert...

Write your letter and place it in a stamped addressed envelope with the box number written on the front. Place this in another stamped envelope and post to: Lookout! Personals replies, Nottingham Lesbian Community Centre, Nottingham NG1 5LP. Nobody will read your reply and it will be forwarded directly to the advertiser.

Don't forget to enclose your reply address!

SAFETY FIRST

Meeting new friends requires caution. Please make sure that you have taken precautions to ensure your safety at all times.

Try to arrange meetings in public places, not your own home. It is often best to meet in a crowded place, e.g. a restaurant or a pub.

Don't give your address until you are absolutely sure that you want to continue the relationship.

Trust your instincts and don't meet again if you have any doubts. On your first meeting, it is best to make your own way to and from the venue. It is best not to accept an offer of transport. These points may seem over-cautious, but we believe you should be safe, rather than sorry. If the person you are meeting is genuine, they will understand.

BRITISH HILL WALKING LEADERS CERTIFICATE

OPEN TO ALL WOMEN

There will be an all-women BHLC course (British Hill Walking Leaders Certificate) available to any woman who'd like to get some good, recognised leader training. The BHLC is made up of 3 weekends 20-22 September, March/April 2003 and June/July 2003 and is based at Butterlip How youth hostel in Grasmere. The course covers map and compass work, micro navigation, pacing and timing, weather, first aid issues, night navigation, leadership issues: See more details on:

<http://www.bhlc.org.uk>

The cost is £128 for each weekend (it may go up by a few pounds next year) - which covers all the tuition, 2 nights YHA accommodation, 2 breakfasts and packed lunches, and one evening meal on the Saturday.

You'll have to book the Fri evening meal with the hostel as it's not included in the course.

If women are interested, can they please email WalkingWomen at queries@walkingwomen.com or phone us on 01926 313321.

Don't forget the planning meeting is soon (3rd September) so get those walks planned!

Announcements

Nottingham LGB Forum The next meeting of the Nottingham LGB Forum will be on Weds October 2nd at 7.30pm. Venue to be announced. Come and have your say on Policing, Work with the City Council, Partnership Registration, and find out what else is happening in Nottingham. More information and minutes/agendas from outhousechris@aol.com or phone 0115 911 0545

Out House After years of struggle, the Out House finally received funding from the Community Fund to buy and refurbish a building right in the heart of Nottingham's 'gay village', between @D2 and The Mill. The structural work has been completed but they still need to refurbish the interior (office, café/bar, meeting rooms, etc.) The present plan is for a phased opening. The ground floor, the café/bar and the office will be open first. They will then

concentrate on opening the spaces on the first floor, maybe by mobilising more volunteer support from within our communities. If you would like to help get in touch, Tel: 0115 9110545

Volunteer Project Funding Success The Out House has gained funding for a 3 year Volunteer Project. The project will get in touch with the various lesbian and gay groups around Nottingham which use volunteers in order to determine any gaps in the current provision and draw up a strategy for recruiting and supporting volunteers to serve unmet needs, including the needs of the younger (16-25) and older (40-70) age ranges, as they often "miss out" in our communities. They have also secured funding to get a website up and running, so it should be online sometime after the end of July. For further information on the work of the Out House, a copy of the latest newsletter or to join, Tel: 0115 911 0545 or Email:

outhousemark@aol.com

Peter Tatchell The Out House has a guest speaker, Peter Tatchell, who has pushed things forward in the LGB and human rights arena. Wednesday 4th of September, 7.30pm at NG1 (upstairs). Contact Out House for more details, Tel: 0115 911 0545 or

Email: outhousechris@aol.com.

The same night is also the Out House AGM. Forms to join Out House available from the office. It costs £1 and they value your support.

BT Community Connections has got 1,200 free Internet ready PCs to give away to community groups. Round Three - Winter / Spring 2003 Application Closing Date - 28.02.03. The following groups are invited to apply: Community Groups (including residents associations, community centres, community regeneration projects, church groups), Cultural Groups (including museums, local history groups, theatre groups), Disability Groups, Elderly Groups, Environmental Groups, Ethnic Groups, Sports Groups, Women's Groups, Medical support groups.

Details at:

<http://www.btcommunityconnections.com/wards.htm> Contact Angela Mulvehill, Information Officer for The National Youth Agency, Tel: 0116 285 3783 or Email: angelam@nya.org.uk

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45-49 Mansfield Road
Nottingham, NG1 3FH
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Walking DIARY

Hyking dykes Meet every month, usually the third Sunday. This is a walking group for female born lesbians only. Website address is

www.nottinghamhd.homestead.com. An update of information is available from Lesbian Line.

Sunday 18th August Oakamoor, Churnet Valley. (Directions: from Ashbourne follow A52 road to Leek. After 6 miles left onto B5417 to Oakamoor, over River Churnet and left into Oakamoor Picnic Site (SK053447). 11am start

Sunday 15th September Eyam opposite the museum (GR216767). 11am start.

Sunday 20th October Meet by the church at East Leake. Park alongside the churchyard in Station Road (GR552262). Its winter so 10.30am start.

Sunday 17th November Rendezvous at Oxtown Village Hall, near Calverton. (GR629515) 10.30am start.

MORE TRAINING

Nottingham Women's Centre Computer Courses for women. Including IT for Beginners and the Utterly Bewildered, Web Page Design and Internet and Email. Other courses including Creative Arts and Jewellery Making; Counselling, First Aid, South Asian Women's Lives and Experiences, Food Hygiene and Personal Safety. For more information:-
Tel: 0115 947 5212 or 0115 9240041.

Compass Outreach Drug Service provides confidential advice, support and one to one ongoing support for people with problematic drug use. A drug worker will be available for appointments and drop-in sessions in West Bridgford. Call Sue for more information. 0790080146.

Women's Centre Crèche
Opening Times- 9.30am-
12.00pm and 1.00pm-3.30pm.
Please let the crèche know which
days your child will be attending.



Decorating blues?




Then email Karen for all your decorating needs
pinkpaintbrush@clara.co.uk
Tel: 0115 9226137

BANNA HOUSING COOP



Lesbian Only Housing Coop has three, one bedroom flats for single occupancy. For further information and application form, send a SAE to BANNA HOUSING COOP, Nottingham Women's Centre, 30 Chaucer Street, Nottingham, NG1 5LP.

 We are also looking for volunteers (lesbian) to be on our steering group. Do you have a couple of hours a month to spare? Can you lend a hand with BANNA HOUSING COOP? For further details could you please contact BANNA HOUSING COOP by post c/o Nottingham Women's Centre.



METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Welcome to the Metropolitan Community Church of Nottingham, part of a Christian Denomination with special out reach for anyone who feels excluded by established religious groups, especially members of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered communities. Services every Sunday, 2pm at Queens Walk Community Centre, Houseman Gardens, The Meadows, Nottingham. For more details contact Des Nee on 0155 877 2732 or Margeret Gregory on 01332 872 143. All calls treated in confidence