

NOGSOG NEWS

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SOCIAL PROGRAMME

- THURS. 6TH Trip to Goose Fair. Meet at CVS and depart from there between 8.00 and 8.15 pm.
- MON. 10TH The Foresters Pub, Huntingdon St. From 8pm. The group uses the Little Smoke room which you get to by going into the pub from the side entrance.
- THURS. 13TH Programme meeting at CVS at 8pm. to sort out what we are going to do next month. Any ideas are welcome.
- SAT. 15TH Minibus trip to Manchester (probably to 'High Society') We have hired a 15 seater bus and the cost will be about £5 + entrance to the club. You can get further details from Peter Dufton and Peter wants to have all the money collected by Oct.13th.
- TUES. 18TH Video and games evening at Part II Club (Canal St.) Entrance is free to group members (opens 8pm) and the film tonight will be 'Cruising'.
- MON. 24TH Meeting at the Foresters Pub on Huntingdon St. from 8pm.

NOVEMBER

- MON. 7TH Meeting at the Foresters Pub on Huntingdon St. from 8pm.
- FRI. 11TH Coffee evening at Peter's, 19, Glaramara Close, Castle View, The Meadows from 8pm.

Remember that the CVS is the Council for Voluntary Service premises at 31a, Mansfield Road. In addition to the meetings listed above, you are welcome to turn up to the CVS on any Thursday and on those Mondays between meetings at the Foresters. There are always some group members there from about 8pm and anyone is welcome to call in for a chat and some coffee.

The CVS is also used by Nottingham Gay Switchboard and if you need to contact them for any reason, then they can be reached by phoning 411454 between 7 and 10 pm on any Monday, Wednesday or Thursday.

I'm afraid that I will still have to keep apologising for not having access to my usual duplicating facilities, so all you've got is a single sheet once more.

OUT AND ABOUT

LEICESTER DAY OUT

On Saturday 20th August there was a days outing to Leicester by invitation of the Leicester Gay Group. Everyone met at mid-day in the car park at Newton Lindford at the entrance to Bradgate Park, which is about 4 miles from Leicester. We then went to the picnicing site, which was close to the summit of a hill overlooking the ruined mansion house of the Greys. After the picnic, Arthur (Leicester Gay Group boss) produced some toys for us to play with which included a frisby, various balls and cucumbers; the mind boggles.

Then, after seeing the sights - including the gate man and the ice cream man, we set out for Leicester. There, we were given a very informative historical guided tour by a City Guide, after which we stopped for light snacks and liquid refreshment at the Saracen's Head and later at the Dover Castle, before going on to Spots night club.

DERBY DAY OUT

On Saturday 24th September, there was an outing to Chatsworth and the Matlock illuminations at the invitation of the Derby gay group. Most people met in the car park outside Derby Railway Station at 12.30pm. From there we went convoy style to Black Rock (a local beauty spot) for a picnic. Afterwards, the convoy proceeded to Chatsworth, a fine English country mansion and home of the Dukes of Devonshire.

The house was begun by Bess of Hardwicke in 1552, but was largely rebuilt during the late 17th century and 18th century. The north wing was added in the early 19th century.

After a walk around the gardens and afternoon tea, we went on to Matlock Bath for a meal and as darkness descended, the illuminations were turned on. I quite like bright fairy lights and these were billed as being second only to those at Blackpool. We were later entertained by a Punch and Judy show, and escapologist act and a fireworks display.

EVENING TRIP TO BIRMINGHAM

The minibus outing to the Nightingale in Birmingham proved to be a very successful occasion, despite getting slightly lost on the way there and on the way back. I for one had never been to the Nightingale before and was quite impressed and another member who was even more impressed decided to stay on to sample another Birmingham delight. Not that I'm one to gossip, but..... Anyway, if you have any ideas of what you want to do during the following months, don't hesitate to contact Patrick or come along to the next programme meeting on Oct. 13th.

Peter Duke