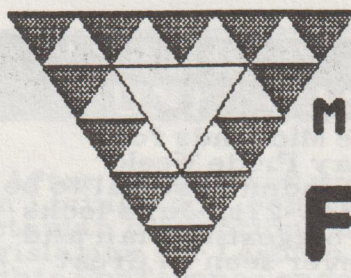




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BID TO FREE GAY YOUTH FAILS

A bid to free sixteen year old Craig Diver from care has failed. According to Craig's parents he was kept in care after his sixteenth birthday because he mixed with members of lesbian and gay liberation organisations.

Craig has been in the care of Strathclyde Council since 1985 in a high security school in Ayrshire, Scotland, where he was regularly taunted and beaten up for being gay by other young men in care.

Craig contacted members of the Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights (LLGR) and asked them to help him. They arranged for him to attempt to seek political asylum in Norway. Unlike the United Kingdom, Norway has an age of consent of sixteen for gays and heterosexuals. It is also a criminal offence there to incite hatred against lesbians and gay men. Even one of their gay papers is subsidised by the Norwegian government!

Unfortunately LLGR were unsuccessful. In an attempt to gain publicity for Craig's case, "Today" newspaper was given an exclusive interview. They published a front page story headed "Gay Plot to Spring Boy of 16". The rest of the article was spent doing a "Shock Horror" story describing LLGR as "extremists". "Today" then passed details of Craig's whereabouts to Strathclyde authorities, who arranged a raid on the flat in London where Craig was staying and took him back into care. It is believed that the authority will attempt to extend the care order on Craig until he is nineteen. Sandy Jamieson, assistant director of Social Services for Strathclyde said,

"We can not stress too highly how grateful we are to Today for its help". He also denied that Craig was in care because he is gay, saying "like any adolescent he is at a very confusing period in his life. We want to support him and help him to make up his own mind."

This case draws attention to the number of young gay people who escape from the care of local authorities. Very often young gay men in care run away and are then dependent on prostitution or criminal activities to obtain money to live, as it would be impossible for them to claim state benefits. Until local authorities seriously look at the situation, take positive action to ensure that gay people in their care are not discriminated against, and accept the right of young people to define their own sexuality, this will not be the last escape bid.

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PRIDE CARNIVAL

As usual there is little going on in the Midlands for Lesbian and Gay Pride Week. However, the London Festival to be held on Saturday 27th June looks like being the biggest lesbian and gay carnival ever seen in Great Britain.

Holly Johnson, Erasure, Sue Pollard, Julie Felix, Hazell Dean, Dave Dale, Sandie Shaw, Christopher Biggins, Skin to Skin, The Beverley Sisters and The Insinuendos will all be appearing at the Festival which is to be held in Jubilee Gardens on London's South Bank.

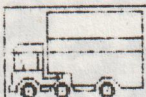
Over ten thousand people are expected to be there, the largest gathering of lesbians and gay men ever in this country. Groups from over Britain will be going. Many of the London clubs and organisations are making floats all adding to the general carnival atmosphere.

A coach is being organised from Birmingham which will be leaving at 10am and return from London leaving at midnight. Tickets are £6.50 (£5.50 Unwaged) and they will be on sale at Peacocks, the Nightingale and the Windmill in Birmingham from Friday 5th June.

If any other organisations or groups are arranging transport down please let Gay Switchboard West Midlands know, 021-622 6589 every evening 7pm till 10pm.

NEW WOMEN'S BAR

Peacocks will be providing an extension to the women's scene when from Friday 29th May the York Room (which is upstairs from Peacocks) will be operating as a Women Only Bar from 8pm to 11pm. If this proves popular then the nights could be extended to include Saturdays as well. Peacocks Womens Discos are proving to be popular and will also continue.



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W-TON UPDATE

The Wolverhampton scene has been through some changes since the closure of the Lord Raglan as a gay venue.

THE SILVER WEB in Whitmore Street has responded to the loss of the Raglan by opening from 8pm on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Admission is free before 10pm.

Drink prices are also cut until 10pm, with beer and lager at 60p per pint and spirits at 50p a tot. THE GREYHOUND in Bond Street has been packed with gays and lesbians since the Raglan's demise. It has become so crowded that the landlords, Murray and David, are considering enlarging the lounge to accomodate the crush of people.

WEEKEND IN WALES

Birmingham Gay Outdoor Club are holding a camping weekend in North Wales from Friday evening 12th June to Sunday 14th. A whole weekend of walks have been arranged, weather permitting, including a walk up Snowdon (Mount not Lord!). The campsite has a shop, cafe and a modern shower block. Lifts are available - share petrol costs. You will need to provide tent, walking gear, etc. For further details phone Gordon on 021-420 2694.

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ELECTION '87

It seems we only just got over the local elections and here we are with a parliamentary election on us. In the press there has been little or no mention of lesbian and gay rights, so here are the relevant sections from the party manifestos:

ALLIANCE. "We will establish a Human Rights Commission, which will . . . counter all discrimination on grounds of race, sex, creed, class, disability or sexual orientation. The Commission would be able to initiate action in the courts."

CONSERVATIVE. Nothing.

LABOUR. "We believe that positive steps are needed to help women and ethnic minorities get a fair deal, and to attain more democracy in the workplace. In addition, we will take steps to ensure that homosexuals are not discriminated against."

Obviously, other policies will affect gay people depending on their circumstances (i.e. student grants, housing policy, women's rights, etc), which there is not space here to go into.

However, it is disturbing to see the Tories using anti-gay prejudice in their electioneering. Two examples, Tory MP for Selly Oak in Birmingham, Anthony Beaumont-Dark, on TV recently referred to gay people as "homos"; a Tory election poster refers to one of Labour's influences in education as being a little red book called "Young Gay & Proud" (obviously they hope to gain the anti-gay vote).

Your vote counts, lesbian and gay rights are important.

DON'T VOTE FOR BIGOTS.

- Peter Kirby

MAKE YOUR MARK

Many gay people think voting's a real pain
When we've much to lose, but too often, too little to gain;
Yet if, because a whole package is not signed, sealed and delivered
We opt out, we are wimpishly lily-livered.

It is pointless to pursue total perfection,
So in order to avoid total dejection
Be positive, don't choose tactically the second best,
Be bold - choose the one who's better than the rest.

- Mosca

TWO FORWARD ONE BACK

After two days of workshops, Ken Livingstone, reports and sectarian disruption, the Legislation for Lesbian and Gay Rights Conference ended flatly with a bare statement calling for anti-discrimination legislation and the promise of "we'd better meet again".

Nearly 500 lesbians & gays attended the conference the Camden Centre in London, taking part in workshops ranging from "Street Offences" & "Education" to "Immigration" and "Custody and Parenting". It soon became clear to me after a ninety minute workshop on "Street Offences" which heard attacks on "bourgeois liberals", concern over "extra demands . . . turning off those who go to the clubs" and calls for "equal opportunities within the judicial system" that only an extension by some days might produce a coherent set of legislative demands. All that before an education workshop . . .

On reflection the weekend conference was mightily ambitious for the lesbian & gay movement which has at best marked time since the heady days of the early seventies.

The organisers made mistakes, aimed too high and ignored real needs, especially from people with disabilities, but, undoubtedly, they put in hours and hours of hard work to launch a much needed positive legislation campaign. Let's face it, we need a lift these days. July 4th has been suggested for a continuation meeting details to be announced.

Yes, a disappointing start but a concrete start all the same.

- Mike Ayres

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Forthcoming Attractions

Fri 12th June Cowboy/girl Night
Star cabaret - Ricky Duveaux
Prizes for best outfit

Sat 27th June Men Only Night
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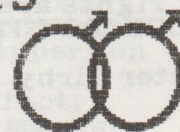
FUNKY DUNK'S POWERHOUSE PLAY
LIST

- 1 (--) Whitney Houston
"Wanna Dance With Somebody"
- 2 (11) Off/Prince Qwai
"Electric Salsa"
- 3 (1) Hemy
"Keep on Rocking"
- 4 (--) Angie Gold
"Third Finger - Left Hand"
- 5 (--) Fun Fun
"Balla Bolero"
- 6 (3) Jamie Dean
"Love Child"
- 7 (6) House Master Boyz
"House Nation"
- 8 (14) Modern Rocketry
"I Feel Love Coming"
- 9 (2) Ochi Brown
"Rock Your Baby"
- 10 (--) Damian Just/Davey
"I'm a Man"
- 11 (5) Lili and Susie
"Candy Love"
- 12 (18) Man to Man
"I Need a Man"
- 13 (--) Erasure
"Victim of Love"
- 14 (4) Lime
"Gold Digger"
- 15 (7) Paul Lekakis
"Boom Boom Boom"
- 16 (9) Madonna/Island Crew
"La Isla Bonita"
- 17 (16) Aleph
"Fire on the Moon"
- 18 (19) Michael Bowe
"Love and Devotion"
- 19 (--) Steve Allen
"Love is in the Air"
- 20 (8) Body Heat
"No, No Mr Boom Boom"

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FUNKY DUNK'S BIT

Well, the holiday season is well and truly upon us now and the "remakes" are coming thick and fast... the latest songs to be given the "HiNRG" treatment include Nancy Sinatra's "These Boots are Made for Walking" by Jessica Williams and Man to Man (the record is as awful as it sounds!); and Angie Gold's version of the Martha Reeves and the Vandella's classic "Third Finger, Left Hand". Dig out "Jimmy Mack" if your older sister bought it in 1966 - 'cos it's on the B-side. Angie's version isn't really any improvement on the original - despite 20 years to think about it - but at least it lasts longer than 2 minutes 37 seconds! (God - weren't seven-inchers short in them days). With the current mania for old songs, Angie's got a number one Hi-NRG hit... but not a long-awaited pop hit. By the time you read this, Ms. Gold will have appeared at "Peacocks" in Needless Alley. Let's hope the night was a success for Adrian and his hard-working team of clones.

Went to the Dome on Bank Holiday Monday - FAB NIGHT - D.J. Tony was on good form, but the ceiling didn't fall in this time - how boring - I think that last month the plasterboard must have fallen on the bar-staff's heads, because I've never known such ATROCIOUS bar service - 20 minutes or more to get a drink is disgusting. Why we gays put up with this is beyond me.

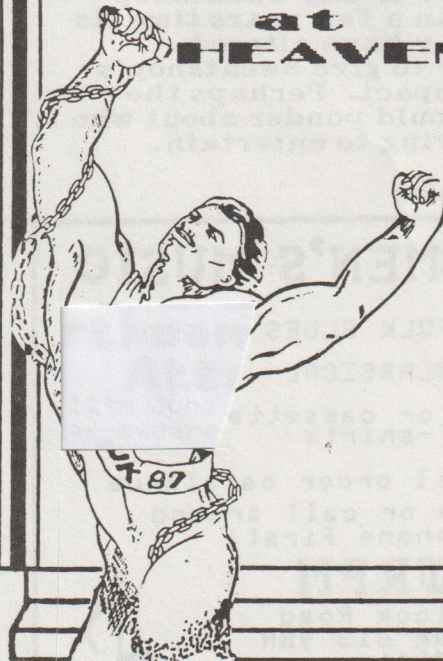
"Nightmare" Records have issued a new Seventh Avenue 12" - "Armed Robbery" - back to Hi-NRG at last, but Ian Levine's productions are so typically samey these days. You'll hear it in Heaven (every night!) but not in many other clubs - come on, Ian, give us some good productions for a change (Wanna buy a new synthesiser and drum machine?)

Whitney Houston for no. 1

- Funky Dunk

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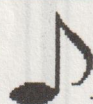
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- Paul Kaynes



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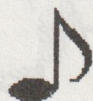
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'GALE INTERVIEW

The scene in Birmingham has gone through a lot of changes in the last two years, with the

Nightingale seeming to be the only venue apparently immune to this.

However, the latest gossip suggests that, even here, things are on the move so, not being one to listen to gossip (much!), I spoke to Gary Wilkes, Chairman of the 'Gale's General Committee.

Neil: How have the recent changes in the gay scene affected the club?

Gary: It seems to be fitting in quite well, really. There's the Powerhouse on Thursday and the Dome once a month on a Monday. Thursday has always been a quiet night for us and they seem to be attracting a largely different crowd anyway. The Dome on a Monday is a more "glitzy" venue and does attract more of our regulars, but its only once a month - we can live with that.

Neil: You haven't mentioned Pagoda Park on tuesdays, which has now ceased. I gather there was some friction between the club and the organisers of that venture.

Gary: Yes, the organisers were club members and one of them had been on the Members Committee and the other had stood for election as Treasurer. It was felt that because they hadn't achieved their aims they decided to run an alternative venue. I'm glad to say we quickly saw that venue off.

Neil: Don't you think that the Birmingham scene ought to be able to sustain a variety of venues?

Gary: Yes, if they can survive the competition. It appears that they couldn't.

Neil: Maybe because shortly after they opened, the Gale introduced cheap drinks and male strippers on a Tuesday?

Gary: I'm sure it had an effect, but we have to protect our market.

Neil: When the Dome first started, on a weekly basis, there was an arrangement between the 'Gale and Bolts. What happened?

Gary: When they decided to go monthly, the club felt that it would have to run a three-week Monday night programme and forget it for a week and lose continuity, so we withdrew.

Neil: But there's no animosity?

Gary: Not at all. I've been talking to Nicky Price about the Five Days of Brum Fun (August Bank Holiday). It's running from Thursday to Monday, so the Powerhouse, the Windmill, Peacocks, the Jester, the Gale will all be involved and the Dome will be the Finale Night.

To be continued next month.

- Neil Matthews

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CRUISIN' (shop) Theatre Approach off Smallbrook Queensway. Books, cards, condoms, etc for gay men.

THE JESTER (pub) Holloway Circus Mainly men.

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THE QUEEN VICTORIA (pub) John Bright St - Mixed.

THE WINDMILL (pub) Hurst Street Mixed. Lesbian & Gay.

THE ANCHOR (pub - WOMEN) Rea St, Digbeth - in back room. Not always exclusively women, Wednesday ONLY.

STATION PUB (pub - WOMEN) High St, Kings Heath. "Sheila's Bar" Tuesday ONLY NOT exclusively lesbian.

YORK ROOM (pub- WOMEN) At "Peacocks" Friday ONLY 8pm to 11pm.

BOLTS at the DOME (club) Horsefair. Fourth Monday of the month.

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WOMEN'S SOCIAL EVENING at above venue. Alternative Friday nights. See Diary.

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GAY OUTDOOR GROUP details phone Gordon 021-420 2694

GAY YOUTH GROUP (under 26) Every Saturday afternoon Phone Switchboard for details.

LESBIAN & GAY SOC at Aston Uni. Lesbians & gay men. Phone Students Union 021-359 6531.

LESBIAN & GAY SOC at Birmingham Uni. Lesbians & gay men. Phone Students Union 021-472 1841.

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP at Brum Uni. Meet every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Women's Room, S.U.

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH phone Ken Rogers 021-565 4378.

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WOMEN'S DISCO, at the White Swan, Swanswell St. Sundays 8pm.

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LESBIAN & GAY SOC at Warwick Uni. Lesbians & gay men. Phone Students Union 0203 523523.

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LESBIAN & GAY SOC at Keele University. Lesbians & gay men. Phone Students Union 0782 711411.

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YOUNG LESBIAN GROUP Phone Lesbian Line for details.

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STRATFORD UPON AVON

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WOLVERHAMPTON

THE GREYHOUND (pub) Bond St Lounge bar - Mixed.

SILVER WEB CLUB Whitmore St. GAY MEN & WOMEN Tue, Fri & Sat.

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WEST MIDLANDS AREA GAY GROUP For details phone Friend 021 622 7351.

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LESBIAN & GAY YOUTH MOVEMENT, BM GYM, London WC1N 3XX. Political & social organisation working for lesbian, gay & youth liberation.

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JUNE EVENTS

TUESDAY 2nd.
Stourbridge Area Gay Group meets
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Cradley Heath 8.30pm.

FRIDAY 5th.
Friend social upstairs function
room the Queen Victoria 8pm

MONDAY 8th to SATURDAY 13th
The Rocky Horror Show alive at
the Hippodrome.

THURSDAY 11th to WEDNESDAY 24th
Tenue de soiree (film) at The
Triangle see review.

FRIDAY 12th.
Women's socials upstairs function
room the Queen Victoria.

FRIDAY 12th to SUNDAY 14th.
Gay Outdoor Club camping week end
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SATURDAY 13th.
Gloucester Gay Community DISCO at
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Course.

LESBIAN STRENGTH MARCH 3pm
Speakers Corner, London.

TUESDAY 16th.
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