

# The Green Collective

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Green Field, New Hampshire CND Festival 1986 Photo: Tash (Ala. edge)



# GREEN GATHERING Nineteen Eighty Seven

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Glastonbury,  
Somerset.

Lambert's Hill Farm near Shepton Mallett (site of the '83 Gathering) from August 13th-19th. We hope to carry forward the excellent energy generated on the Green Field at this year's CND Festival, and to make it our own event, for all the Movement. After all, the comment we heard most often at Pilton this year was "this is great - but why do we have to be right next to (pointing at Babylon-style mega-festival over the hedge) that ?"

Well, we don't. We can do it ourselves. But it will mean everyone contributing, in their own particular ways. Details of meetings etc are on the next page. I'll just finish with this:

WELCOME TO MAILING No 15; and as you can see, we're still going through some changes. This Mailing is a bit of an economy issue: since Easter we have been attempting to give ourselves a 'professional' look and to cater particularly for the new Green Network; but all we've managed to do is to blow all our funds on photocopying, whilst the Network out there hasn't responded with hundreds of subscriptions and bulk orders.

So now we're financially on our uppers, and putting out the Mailing on the duplicator once again: but hopefully we've achieved a worthwhile compromise between the out-to-lunch and on-the-road editions which we produced last year, and the relatively smart-but-expensive stuff we've done through most of '86.

But we are broke. The Collective itself is filled with new energy at the prospect of a Green Gathering next year, and everything's busy and exciting. If your subscription's due and you can see your way to filling in the form on the opposite page and sending us a fiver, that would help - to produce the next Mailing, and to start things moving for the Gathering. If you can send an extra donation, that would be better still.

The Gathering itself is provisionally booked for

The day after we'd chosen the date, someone came along with a copy of the Hopi propheies and read us this -

"In 1987, 144,000 enlightened souls will sit down in gathering together circles saying 'Here it is Brothers and Sisters, openly, totally - Come and receive it'. A lot of these are going to be so-called common people, and not the teachers you see up there now.

"On August 17 1987, the various winged serpent wheels will begin to turn, and when they do the Rainbow Lights will be seen in dreams all over the world, and those Rainbow Light dreams will help awaken the rest of humanity".

More news next Mailing,

Bruce

P.S. Lucy and Steve have been away, on holiday and/or schemes to liberate the world. This issue was put together by Bruce and Sioux

Peace and love to you all. See you at the Gathering ...  
Sioux



Green Field, Glastonbury CND Festival 1986

Photo: Tash (Alan Lodge)

GREEN COLLECTIVE MEETING: BOURNEMOUTH, AUGUST 2-3

The Collective meeting held at the Crystal Studios in Bournemouth was not well attended, and in some ways found the Green Collective at its lowest ebb. The Green Field had been a success, but Kim was not there to give us his report; subscriptions have been dropping; energy generally was low, and we hadn't staged our own Green Gathering since 1983.

Nevertheless the spirit of the Collective was there - and we decided (at last, perhaps) to put on a Gathering, next summer. We want to do this well after midsummer and during the school holidays: late July or August. (Later we had some astrological advice that the aspects would be more favourable after August 10th; and as we go to press it looks like we have a site near Glastonbury, for August 13th-19th).

From the meeting, people put themselves forward to do site management (Pixie and Bruce), publicity, Site Information (Lucy), pre-event admin (Sue), Kids area (Richie); in addition Roger will probably take on the job of Treasurer once again. We still need people to take on the Site Kitchen, Gate & Traffic control, welfare, site communications, Entertainments, Alternative Tech, healing, workshops, women's area, and stalls. We will also need to do some fund raising to get things going.

Anyone who can help in any of these areas, or who would like to get involved but who's not sure what specific job they'd like to do, is welcome to the next meeting:

NEXT MEETING OF THE GLASTONBURY GREEN GATHERING COLLECTIVE -  
LOCKYER'S FARM, COMPTON DUNDON, STREET, SOMERSET: SEPTEMBER 27-28

We shall be meeting at Daid Taylor's new home, over the last weekend of September. There is plenty of space, though renovations are in progress and it may be in a serious state of disrepair as yet. There's room for camping or parking up a truck over the weekend, as well as (some sort of) sleeping bag space indoors. The main business will be on Sunday, after a Travellers' Skool meeting on the Saturday afternoon; but you're welcome for the whole weekend.

Compton Dundon is on the Somerton road out of Street, below Street Hill. At the junction in the middle of the village turn right (coming from Street); then take the first left (past Dundon Beacon on the left, church on the right), as far as a right turn which turns into a farm track. Lockyer's Farm is on the track.

If you'd like more information, contact PO Box 23, Glastonbury; or ring (0458) 32452 (evenings). If you get lost on the way, ring Compton Dundon 73041.

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## GREEN GATHERING ADVICE PACK

The new revised edition of the Green Gathering Advice Pack is shortly to be in publication. In addition to the original sections it will include one on women's space at Gatherings (see Mailing no.6), travellers (see mailing no.13), and one on putting on a one-day Green event, which is printed below.

There are still a few copies of the original Advice Pack available, for £4 each (£2.50 to subscribers) from: Anne Waterhouse, 55 Stuart Close, Emmer Green, Reading, Berks).

## HOW TO PUT ON AN ENTIRE ONE DAY FESTIVAL WITH £21.50 AND MAKE A PROFIT OF £90

- Lucy Lepchani

There was a need on the Isle-of-Thamet for the isolated 'green' groups to make contact, make money, reach new supporters. There was a need for many people to become aware of their community, their world, themselves. There was a need for a festival.

The first thing that Claire and I did was try and convince our friends that meant about the state of their/the world that they could do something about it. Sometimes this was frustrating and sometimes this was spiritually uplifting. Also - establishing ourselves as an 'organization' so that we could have a bank account to keep finances together.

### Funding

We were a bunch of very penniless persons. Who would give us money? We checked out various grants we know of, and it seemed that nobody would give us any money; then came the idea, what if we do it backed by a charity, and give them the profit? Somebody happened to mention it was U.N.Youth Year, we were young people, perhaps they would give us money. We asked them; their chairperson was an elderly anarchist, delighted at our environmental/charitable/youth-orientated anarchistic energies, and said he would love to give us money, but the local U.N. group had very little money, all that they raise is given straight away to U.N.I.C.E.F. for 2 water projects in the Sudan. We felt for this charity ... he was pleased to give us £20 to get us started, in return for any profits for U.N.I.C.E.F. Somebody also gave us £1.50.

We spent most of this money straight away on printing letters of invitation to local charities environmental groups, youth clubs, student unions child and youth special care, skill centres, the probation office, asking for their participation and/or support, 1) financially (donation) 2) providing a stall for the event for a small fee 3) providing some other participation.

### Ways We Asked People To Participate

1. Coming to our meetings to help make decisions and introducing ideas.
2. Providing us with a specific skill or piece of equipment.
3. Helping as site crew on the day.
4. Providing a stall, exhibition, workshop, or performance.
5. Helping to pre-arrange the practical things for the day.
6. Talking about it ... publicity in general ... colouring in/displaying posters.
7. Joining in and having fun.

Getting Exactly What We Wanted Without Paying  
(or having to deal with our Conservative Council we also had to pay for the festival advice pack!)

1. A Site I believe that sites for any kind of gathering should be somewhere that is accessible to people in wheelchairs, with pushchairs, or with little or no money. This includes also for toilet facilities. Hiring toilet facilities that are suitable is unnecessary cost. Councils cannot/do not barter, give freely, or respond to flattery - have done with them. This means finding a place that has suitable toilet facilities and is not council owned. This leaves;
  1. private land
  2. hospitals/church ground, etc.
  3. common land (?)
  4. an unlicensed festival, which our council would have stamped all over at first notice of
  5. any other place (?)

Common land is dodgy, we were unclear of by-laws that may have existed from 1066 A.D. or only apply on alternative Sundays, etc. Hospitals seemed a bit wierd.

Wouldn't it be great if we were invited onto somebody's land ... this means convincing people, this means REFERENCES. I happen

to have recently met a very human councillor during Greenham support stuff. He gave me a reference (a respectable local figure). I sent very neat copies of all our bumf so far, including my reference from him and from our U.N. friend (on U.N. notepaper) to our local m.p.s, asking for support with our 'THANET YOUTH AWARENESS FESTIVAL' by means of a reference from him. We got it. Hee ... Hee ...!

So. Off to the local Abbot, hoping for the beautiful Abbey grounds. He said we could have them but there were unsuitable toilet and parking facilities. He was genuinely supportive, particularly because of our pacifist<sup>3</sup>environmental<sup>3</sup>youth stance and told us of other landowners he knew that may be supportive. One was the headmaster of the local Catholic secondary school; which, because it is aided financially by the Catholic church, counts as private property, the Church holding more decision-making power than the County Council. It sounded right. We went to see the headmaster, who supported us, trusted us and the facilities were right, (if a little small) We had the sight for free.

2. Festival licence We found the G.G. Advice Pack interesting on this point. When reading the relevant Act (Misc. Prov. 1982) it seemed that there were very vague and loose terms used. This is dodgy, so we made sure we would cover ourselves adequately, but avoid falling into a category which caused us to need a licence. This is too tricky to explain, but when you have finished reading this, read the Act, and all will be clear. We avoided the Act because we were;

1. on private land
2. mainly an outdoor event
3. largely educational and charitable
4. covered ourselves with insurance, about £10 with Prudential, the fire service, the police (get

somebody straight or charming to do this - all we did was tell a p.c. politely of the event, he wrote it in a book, I smiled charmingly and talked about the weather, he said they just like to know what's going on largely because of traffic and parking. I avoided the word Festival and used the word Fayre. He didn't even ask for any literature. Also having St. Johns on site on duty on the day, for first aid care.

5. Decide we would take responsibility for noise levels personally if we had to. Local laws about noise were intricate and variable, our council mole told us. Just keep it down and all would be well...

3. Place for Meetings Our local community centre gave us a room free of charge on Tuesday evenings.

4. Printing (ways of getting it done for NO COST;

1. Supportive student union who do it for nothing
2. Friends who work in offices and can sneakily run off the odd 50 or so copies.
3. Offering to advertise a photo-copy shop on a programme/poster for the day.
4. Very sneakily.

5. p.a., stage, video equipment etc. Local bands for this event, organised themselves, thank goodness. They got hold of a p.a. We eventually got a lot of stage boxes after trying drama clubs, colleges, schools youth clubs. The youth club also had a badge making machine and a kiln for an enamelling workshop.

6. Site crew Friends and strangers were interested. Local youth on probation were pleased at the opportunity to get involved with something they felt for.

7. stallholders Charities, campaigns, residential care centres; see print of programmes for vague details

8. transport Very dodgy. Ours fell through at the last minute, as did our two backups. It was predicted astrologically, so we were relatively prepared. There were costs involved here more so than with any other aspect.

9. Publicity We relied on getting it for nothing and our posters were not enough. Advertising in the local paper was expensive, but we did. I would suggest you also try;

1. getting an interview on local radio/telly about your event.
2. street theatre publicity a week/few days before before hand.
3. Anything.

10. Equipment You may not believe it until you try, but we got everything for nothing. We asked shopowners print firms, youth clubs - anyone for; scraps of paper, materials, cardboard tubes (try haberdashers), paint, scissors, glue, baby lotion (for face painting) a video camera and blank film, badge machine, telly and video player, videos re eco/politico events, chairs traffic cones, tables, bunting, tarpaulins, string etc. etc., and got the lot. We also were given donations of gifts e.g. bottle of wine, plant pots for our fund-raising stall in return for advertising. See print of our programme to see how we dealt with this. Baby lotion for face painting was provided free by Johnson and Johnson, paint from the local adult ed. centre.

Other Tasks We Had To Do;

Keep minutes at meetings. Work out who was doing what, when, who with. Only do things we wanted to. Be patient with other peoples untogetherness/over-enthusiasm/negativity. Make sure our caterers were

brilliant (and they were - also a central focus).

Decide what to do about: dogs, dog-shit, skinheads, their aggro, police harrassment, rain. We decided no dogs, and turned a blind eye to the ones that got in. We decided to make people feel so welcome and involved and part of it that they had no reason to be aggressive; this meant something for everyone as part of the attractions... from an inflatable for kids (we got it in return for a free stall pitch for a local carnival club) to 'street theatre' to local bands.

We decided that police could not enter unless invited or took off their uniforms, paid the entry fee and behaved themselves. We could do nothing about rain - except enjoy it.

We also had to be flexible. Organisation is necessary, but creative spontaneity is beautiful and we wanted space for it. Also, people want to change things to feel more comfortable. Also, nobody's perfect, and here-and-now events have to be dealt with calmly and positively.

Creche was organised by local community services or their play-bus.

Cleaning up We had more transport problems  
We recycled as much waste as we could  
We left the place spotless.

What it was like: Brilliant. A unique experience for us to see an event of its kind in our area; the only complaints were from two skinheads - "no meat or alcohol on sale". It thunderstormed, and then the sun came out. Stage space was being used by a variety of people, from young children to rock bands, respectfully and co-operatively. Musicians just turned up and played. Painted faces, street theatre, arts and crafts, jumble, game stalls, a tofu palace, music and art workshops, for no charge, for everyone. The 25p gate fee covered all this and much more. All charity stalls made a profit, all stallholders broke even or made a profit - except for one bloke who said he didn't care, he hadn't had such a good day in ages. The leftover bits of tat have been sold recently in a jumble for the Skool Bus fund.

The atmosphere was alive but laid back. The boundaries between organisers/crew/punters were thin; we all worked we all played and we all made new friends. It took about 8 months from start to finish; and we also made a profit for UNICEF, and promoted the themes for UN International Youth Year:

PEACE, PARTICIPATION, and DEVELOPMENT.

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(If you have anything to add based on your own experience putting on similar event, please let us know).  
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GREEN COLLECTIVE LAND FUND

The recent Collective meeting followed on from a series of discussions about the Land Fund. The fund was originally set up to buy a Green Gathering site of our own, and this is still felt to be the main priority. Ideally, we would like to be in a position to buy the site on which we were already holding a Gathering, so that the necessary funds could be raised as part of the money taken on the gate.

Such a site would have several other uses during the rest of the year; though these would vary according to the specific site involved.

It is too early to say how feasible this scheme would be; though those of us in the Gtstonbury area are keeping our ears to the ground in the hope that the right site comes available.

The Land Fund now contains over £450. Any contributions can be sent direct to: Chris Walford, 44 Upper Cheltenham Place, Bristol BS6 5HR.

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THE CONTINUUM TRUST

We have recently heard from Terry Murphy of the Cotinum Trust, which has a project in Wales where land and assets are being freed and made available for co-operative use. They are interested in co-operating with the Land Fund, and we shall be keeping in touch with them.

The Trust at present has 3 acres of land at Stone Hall Mill, Welsh Hook, Wolfscastle, Dyfed. Anyone interested in finding out more about them directly can contact them there.

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# THE TRAVELLERS' SKOOL

RICHIE COTTERILL

OVERVIEW and PROGRESS REPORT ...28/8/86.

## "Convoy Neutralised"

With the summer of 86 nearly over and the events surrounding the 'Hippy Convoy' so well documented by the media, I find myself wondering if the government/police strategy weren't a success, in their terms; with over 150 vehicles impounded after the evictions from Stoney Cross and Hanging Langford, eviction proceedings speeded up and the free festivals almost completely prevented, effectively stopping even the quasi-traditional gathering of 'New Age Gypsies' from taking place. Communications have effectively broken down and, it seems, only the campaigns for Human Rights and for Freedom remain to attempt to remedy what has almost become (temporarily) a ghost phenomenon.

Where are the New Travellers? Like Greenham women, they are everywhere. Some are parked up quietly in small groups; many who lost their homes have returned to the cities from which most of them 'escaped'; some have taken to horse and cart, others have left the country. Many more are parked up in the sanctuary of friends and family, and there are many more would-be travellers who spent last winter getting their trucks together in order to get on the road this year, only to find the road effectively blocked to them.

The vision of the freedom to travel, seeking new ways of living and working, meeting at festivals and fairs over the summer, travelling in cosen groups, is still with us. Indeed it is a dream and reality older than the roads themselves, and one which the traditional travellers have struggled to maintain for centuries.

The implications of this situation are enormous, even if only for this project to establish a Skool Bus; where are the people and group situations for whom such a provision would be appropriate? I don't know, do you? I'm sure that this time of set-back will quickly pass, and perhaps next summer we will witness the emergence of a rejuvenated 'New Age Gypsy', positively changed and capable of challenging the fascist mentality which currently opp-

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## Info

1. Labour Campaign for Travellers' Rights - c/o Martin Hudson, 1 Westmeade Close, Cheshunt, Waltham Cross, Herts EN7 6JP.
2. NOCL's 'Stonehenge' report, £1.95 (plus 40p p&p) from 21 Tabard Street, London SE1 4LA.
3. British Romani Union - General Secretary: O.Tom Odley, Church Farm, Church Road, Offham, West Malling Kent ME19 5NZ.
4. N.A.T.T. - Secretary: Carole Balcombe, 41 Carsick Hill Road, Sheffield S10 3LW.
5. 'The Peace Convoy, a future? ... or no future?' A special report by Nick Mann and Ann Morgan. 70p including postage from - The Elms, West Pennard, Glastonbury, Somerset.

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resses them. Perhaps the situation would be much better with a change of government; though it doesn't seem to matter which party gets in, it's still the government ... the same power trips ... and as an issue of basic human rights it crosses all party divisions. The New Travellers' basically anarchic philosophy (pro-self-responsibility and co-operative co-existence) can be reflected within any negotiations with 'Authorities'.

The Labour Party is setting up a Campaign for Travellers' Rights, and will be holding a fringe meeting at their annual Blackpool conference in October. What about all the other parties? (See 'Info', note 1 above).

The National Council for Civil Liberties (NCCL, in conjunction with Festival Welfare Services and other concerned groups) is setting up a group to deal with emergency situations relating to the Travellers, and they have put out a report on the events of 85/86 relating to the Stonehenge convoys. (Note 2)

The British Romani Union is being established as an association to attempt to preserve, nay obtain, basic human rights for ALL travellers.

I have been invited to speak at the next meeting of the National Association of Teachers of Travellers, October 11th, about the New Travellers and the Skool Bus project which they are considering supporting as a body.

I am following up all of these initiatives, and feel quite able to be an un-representative at their meeting. I will keep people informed of any relevant development in these areas.

## What Skool Bus?

We had a small meeting in Bristol in early August and spent most of our time discussing the apparent dilemma over the appropriateness of the project to the New Travellers - who might feel that it was something of an imposition, by do-gooders, onto a scene where some families were already getting their own 'otherwise' kind

of education-life-style together, organically, where the kids learn informally what is necessary and what makes sense as part of their lives. We wish only to further this natural process, to extend its range of possibilities by providing an independent and mobile resource; independent in that it is not someone's home but is available as a communal space for the children on the road, stocked with equipment and energy. We wish not only to extend the range of activities available to Traveller children but also, as young teachers, we wish to learn with them how we can encourage their natural interests and talents to grow to develop the formal skills (like reading and writing) without being authoritarian or patronising. Our aim is to extend their potentials in order that, as they grow, they may have more choices available to them for a future of change. Perhaps they will wish to go for further education, or to study on their own. For many groups and families on the road, on the dole, under extreme pressures, looking for their own independence, direction and fulfilment, life does not allow parents the time, space or resources to develop these potentials.

Our project is aimed at the groups and particularly the children who are likely to benefit most from this space, those who are already getting it together hap-

pily, in terms of education will get their own scenes together; our concern is not to take over but to create possibilities in situations of deprivation, potential under pressure.

#### Charitable Status

This is a fairly complicated legal process which is more than part way towards completion. At this stage the Trustees are fairly nominal and the different roles such as secretary and treasurer will become far clearer after the Trust Deed has been checked and hopefully accepted by the Charities Commission and the Inland Revenue when we will hold an Inaugural General Meeting where the documents accepted by the Trustees, signed and witnessed. The process of getting this done, including a parchment copy of the deeds will be dealt with by the N.C.V.O. for about £45. The Trustees (at least 10 and no more than 23) will have the responsibility for employment and financial considerations toward the fulfilment of the Charitable Objects of 'The Travellers' Skool', which may read ...

"To advance the education and training of children especially those whose parents or guardians are of a nomadic habit of life and to provide them with facilities for recreation and leisure-time occupation in the interests of social welfare and with the object of developing their mental, physical and spiritual capacities that they may grow to full maturity both as individuals and as responsible members of society and that their conditions of life may be improved".

We will have to do regular reports and meetings with formal structures and minutes kept and circulated. Proper accounts will need to be kept and professionally audited by an accountant. We will also need to decide what to DO ...

#### Fund-Raising

The skool bus account currently has a little over £320 in it and we will be attempting to raise further funds by applying to other Trusts for grants as well as encouraging friends and concerned groups to arrange benefit gigs. We also intend to do an advertising campaign in various magazines for funds and support, possibly to invite people to become 'friends' of the skool thro-

ugh a sort of subscription for which they could perhaps receive a regular newsletter of this and other related Traveller affairs. It won't be long before we will be in a position to buy, tax and insure a vehicle with which we can put this project on the road. We will then need more funds to keep it moving, equipped and administered. We will also be seeking funds to further research the scale and range of the provision we should develop

#### The Education Authorities

There is a growing need for more concrete info about the number, location and relative abilities of the children of New Traveller groups with which to furnish not only our provision but also to offer to the D.E.S. and Local Authority Education Depts. who have shown an encouraging interest in the New Travellers (and this project) for whom they are a very unknown quantity. Towards this we have been offered the possibility of creating our own Radio programme with the help of Radio Action, Bristol's Community radio service who can provide all the materials and expertise that we need in order to do it ourselves. We could interview Traveller families about their educational experiences and interests as well as asking how they would like to see the skool bus working with a view to making a second programme with the kids as a project for the skool when it is established (before and after).

In Devo the L.E.A. are considering ways in which they may be able to help this project either by seeking funds from the D.E.S. 'No Area Pool' or, if they see it as an Alternative Education scheme, through the production of some teaching packs to be left with Traveller parents for them to Do-It-Themselves. Our feeling is that the project (a bus) will be trying to connect with Travellers to look at the feasibility of the venture in order to be able to develop it into an appropriate facility. For many children the situation is one where they have no choice about going to school or not; deprivation in the eyes of the authorities. It is NOT an ALTERNATIVE, because the nature of their life-style does not have options for their education. This project would attempt to provide something where, in many cases, there is virtually nothing.

The H.M.I. responsible for Gypsy Education also wishes to find out more, when he comes to visit me in late September he would like also to visit some 'New Age Travellers'. But where are they and where will they be then? Any help with information and reports of Traveller sites would be very useful and I would also be glad to receive any press cuttings, particularly on local situations concerning Travellers.

The next Meeting: will be held on Saturday Sept 27th at 3pm, at Lockyer's Farm, Compton Dundon (off the Street-Somerton road) - details as for Green Collective Meeting

YOU CAN'T KILL THE SPIRIT .... ALL IS FLOW

CYCLES ...

The Stonehenge monument and her surrounding vibe HAS changed.  
 The festival and observances didn't happen there last year.  
 Remember what did happen in June 1985.  
 Why did such events take place and who is to blame ?  
 Authorities cannot take away our freedom unless we give it to them.  
 THEY can act as agents of our KARMA, causing us pain and frustration.  
 TAKE BACK THE STONES ? No battle will ever win.  
 Do we cling to Stonehenge as a symbol or can we listen to her needs ?  
 The Solstice is observed and celebrated all over the world.  
 There are many other powerful sacred sites in Britain.  
 Perhaps it is time to decentralise.  
 As things change, all conflicts will be resolved in time, all is flow.  
 But what do we do NOW ?  
 Perhaps if we can't walk to the Stones in peace and circle her with peace, She will speak to us and indicate the way to proceed, to our inner ear.  
 We should not FORCE our entry to the Stones.  
 There is resistance ..... it would be RAPE.  
 Now is the time for healing.  
 The Stones are an all-embracing image of the Universe.  
 They reflect the state of the world, and as such are capable of reconciling all the demands which are made of her.  
 We may suffer under fascism for our disrespect of the temple.  
 We may endure earth quakes, plague and holocaust, before we enter her again.  
 No one wants to destroy the world .... do they ?  
 Maybe we ARE ready and capable of manifesting a peaceful event;  
 But, are THEY ready to receive such a phenomenon and allow it ?  
 We need to be impeccable ..... see yourself for what you really are.  
 It may take 10 or 10,000 years. It has already taken 4,000 or more.  
 Like generations before us, we shall pass over her like the wind.  
 The Stones record their living history ... We have TIME.

Richie Cotterill, 15/5/86

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RADIATION REMEDY

Combine 4 drops each of:

Willow, Walnut, Star of Bethlehem, and Crabapple (Bach flower remedies) in a 10ml dropper bottle (obtainable from chemist) filled with spring water almost to the top. Add a teaspoonful of Brandy to preserve.

Give it a shake. Pray.

Take 2 drops, 2-3 times a day; also eat kelp, sunflower seeds and sea salt (iodine) and Be positive.

(Passed through from the Spirit of the Golden Flame).

Remember  
 That you are at an  
 exceptional hour in  
 a unique epoch,  
 that you have this great  
 happiness,  
 this valuable privilege  
 of being present  
 at the birth  
 of a new world.

THE MOTHER, Auroville, India.

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MEN'S ISSUES: LETTER

The 'Men's Issues' section in Mailing 15 drew a lot of positive response (mostly from women, as it happens) and generated some discussion. But we received only one lengthy reply in writing, which is perhaps more typical of the mixed feelings raised for men; this is printed below.

SEXISM: PLAYING BOTH ENDS AGAINST THE MIDDLE

We have seen, especially in the last 20 years, an increasing awareness of how sexual difference is artificially and unfairly used to create limitations on people's lives. Much emphasis is placed upon the women's side of this, and 'men' are imagined to be the tyrants who are to blame.

True, the suffragette movement won the Votes for Women campaign only as recently as this century; also true: working class men had obtained the freedom to vote not long before.

During the second world war my father was handed a white feather by a woman on a street corner. She was handing white feathers to any man in civilian clothes as a goad, by implication of cowardice, to join up and fight at the front. For thousands of years men have fought, killed and died, because women said "Go on, do it". Sex has functioned as carrot and stick to condition the men to be pawns of political power games. Always the hell of war is supposedly "for life" and "with god on our side".

If the stereotyped image of male domination is believed, it steers consciousness away from the actual issues of domination and subjection.

The image is partially true, but the whole of the picture has the nature of subjection of the masses by the petty authorities: King, Queen, Religion, State, Prime Minister etc. The true view of sexism, I firmly believe, is sexism as a 'divide and conquer' tactic used by the power-monopolisers of whichever variety.

Political and religious power groups continue to manipulate in the present day the dialectics of spirituality and materialism, of female and male, of rich and poor, of 'us' and 'them', using the apparent opposites or invented dichotomies. The images change and wear different colours, but communists, capitalists, nazis or monarchists juggle them for the power they can accumulate.

It may be Father God or Mother Mary which grabs our feelings and forces us to act as a pawn in the game; it may be King or Queen, patriarchy or matriarchy, mysterious pull of veiled strength, or brilliant flash of colours.

Law and order or the dream of liberty may be used to handle the minds of the masses and to shape them as tools of the leaders: Queen Victoria, Golda Meyer, Benito Mussolini, Margaret Thatcher, Ronald Reagan, Che Guevara, or whoever is currently giving the orders to kill. The individual women and men of planet Earth have all been fooled, time and time again; and have even been fooled into blaming each other, time and time again.

In truth, men and women domineer each others' lives, and are driven to it by those with ulterior motives. These power-hungry men and women believe all to be fair, not only in love but in war also, and they make fools of us all, unless we think for ourselves and see the true picture develop. War is hell, class war is hell, power belongs to all the different people of the world - not to one side, one sex, or one 'class'.

Peter D. Smith, Glastonbury.

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SUNFLOWER is a particularly valuable plant as, in addition to its diuretic medicinal use, its seeds are a source of oils in the polyunsaturate range. There are two basic varieties, the black sunflower seed and the white sunflower seed (although the latter sometimes has black longitudinal stripes). The seeds have a pleasant nutty flavour and a high nutritional value, and it is for this reason that the majority of health food stores stock and sell considerable quantities.

Sunflowers are a valuable mineral source and this is why the seeds are very popular, both as a sprouting plant and for eating whole and spreading on salads. Some care has to be taken when sprouting sunflower seeds as the sprouting time is longer - generally 5 to 9 days - and the sprouts must be eaten when they grow to 1/2 inch (6mm) at the most, as they develop a strong bitter flavour beyond this point. Sunflower sprouts are mainly used in salads, but can be added to soups. You need the unhulled seed for successful sprouting.

(From: 'Successful Sprouting' by Frank Wilson).

VITAMIN F (unsaturated fatty acids) - source: vegetable oil, butter, sunflower seeds.

The body cannot manufacture the essential unsaturated fatty acids: linolenic and arachidonic, and they must be obtained from foods.

Unsaturated fatty acids usually come in form of liquid vegetable oils, while saturated fatty acids are usually found in solid animal fats. The unsaturated fatty acids function in the body by co-operating with vitamin D in making calcium available to the tissues, assisting in the assimilation of phosphorus, and stimulating the conversion of carotene into vitamin A. Fatty acids are related to the normal functioning of the reproductive system.

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Hydrogenated oils are created by saturating the oil with hydrogen atoms at very high temperatures and bleaching the mixture to make it white. The thus processed oil is much more difficult to metabolise for the body.

DESTROYED BY: X-ray treatment and radiation destroys the essential fatty acids within the body, although destruction can be prevented if large doses of vitamin E are taken. Vitamin F is easily destroyed when exposed to AIR and may become RANCID.

SOME RICH FOODS ARE: Safflower oil 87g per 100g; Sunflower seeds 83g; sesame seeds 80g; wheat germ 77g; olive oil 76g; Avocado 69g. Daily requirement is 90g.

DIGESTION - ABSORPTION - METABOLISM: THE STOMACH, SMALL INTESTINE and PANCREAS normally produce liberal amounts of fat splitting enzymes, necessary for the conversion of fats into fatty acids and glycerols (broken down fatty acids). These are absorbed through the walls of the intestinal tract and are then transported through the portal vein to the LIVER, where they are usually metabolised as a source of energy. These changes must take place before the nutrients enter the blood stream without causing food allergies.

The digested fat is taken from the GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT as fatty acids and glycerol. These then enter fat collecting ducts, which finally carry the fat to the lymphatic system, which is primarily concerned with collecting body fluids and returning them to the general circulatory system. Absorption of fat is DECREASED if there is an increased movement in the gastrointestinal tract and when there is an absence of bile to break down the fat.

The fatty acids are STORED in the ADIPOSE TISSUES.

DEFICIENCY SYMPTOMS: A deficiency of vitamin F may be responsible for BRITTLE and LUSTERLESS HAIR, NAIL PROBLEMS, DANDRUFF and ALLERGIC CONDITIONS.

DIARRHEA, VARICOSE VEINS, UNDERWEIGHT and GALL STONES may be symptoms of F-deficiency. SKIN DISORDERS such as ECZEMA, AKNE and DRY SKIN have been linked with F-deficiency. Also ailments like diseases of the HEART, CIRCULATORY SYSTEM and KIDNEYS associated with faulty fat metabolism.

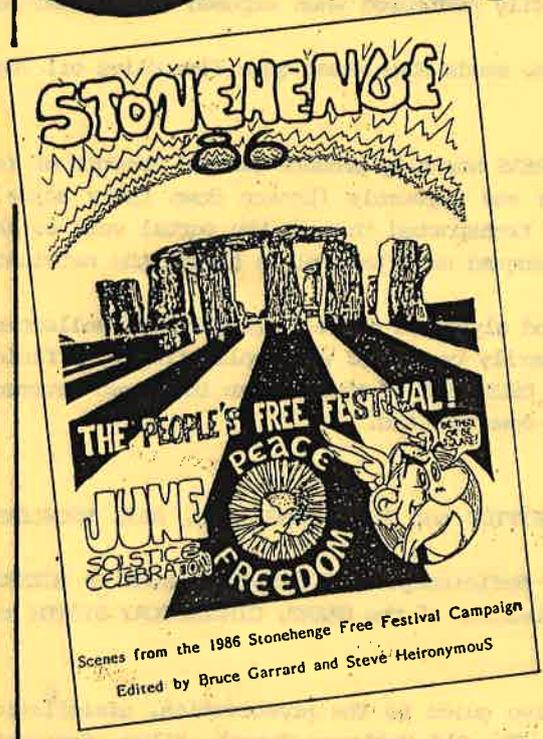
(From 'GREATER VITALITY from the foods you choose to eat' - a comprehensive guide to the preservation, assimilation and storage of vitamins and minerals; produced by FREE FLOW FELLOWSHIPS, The Old Holloway Chapel, Aller, Somerset.

SUNFLOWERS are also very good for making compost: cut them down when they're four feet high and add to the compost heap.



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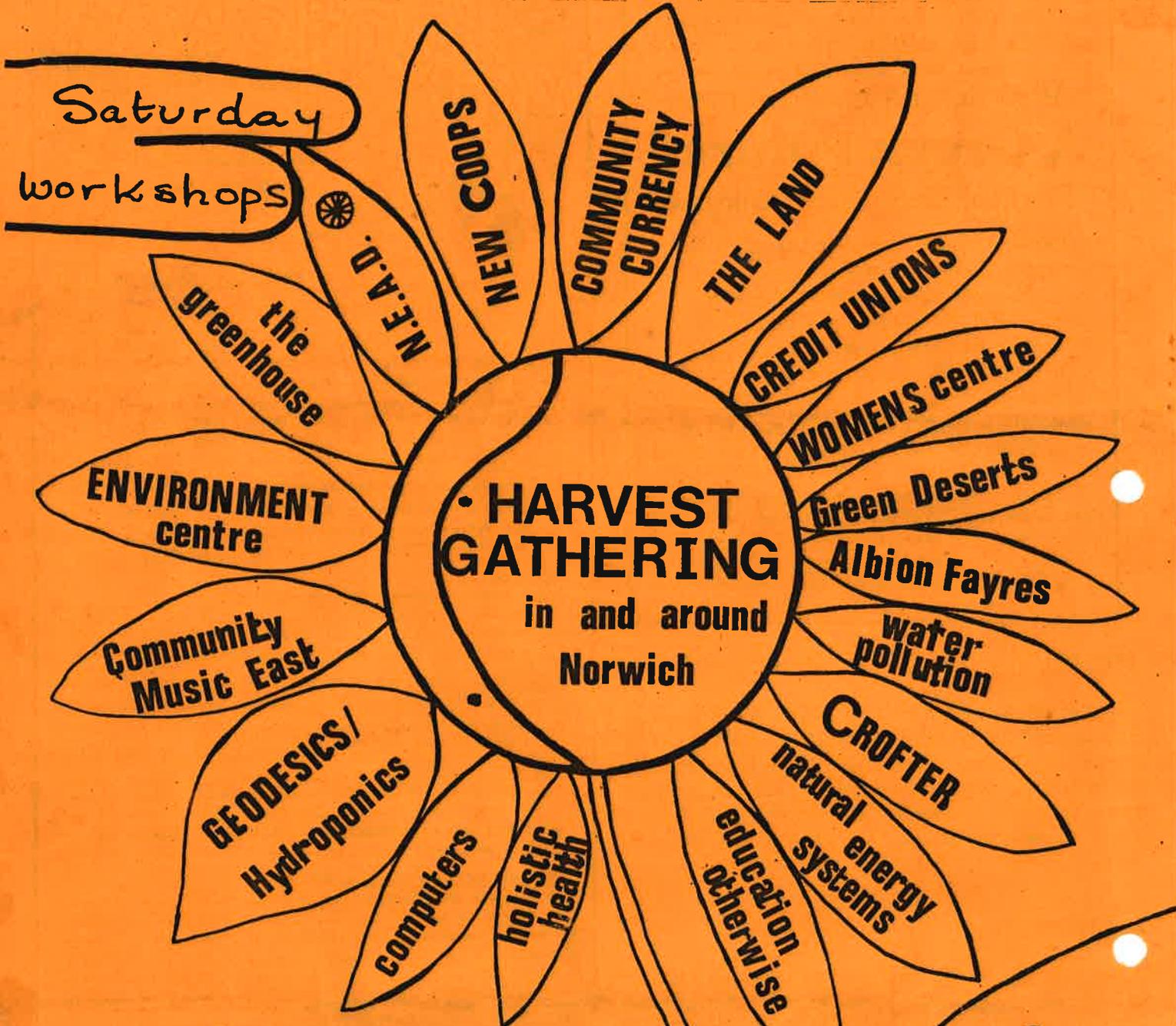
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