

**THEATRE**

**EVERYMAN THEATRE**, Hope Street (709 4776)  
 Until May 24, Breeze-Block Park by Willie Russell. A new play from the Everyman's resident playwright. A comedy of bad manners set in today's Liverpool.  
 May 29-June 14, Under New Management by C.G. Bond. A new play, specially commissioned by the Everyman about events at the 'Fisher-Bendix' factory in Kirkby.  
 Closed for Summer.

**UNITY THEATRE** at the Everyman.  
 June 26-28, Leonce and Lena by Georg Buechner. A summer-evenings fairy tale for adults and children.

**PLAYHOUSE** (709 8363)  
 Summer break, followed by:  
 July 1-12, The Swineherd and the Princess. A children's matinee.  
 From June 24, The Gentle Hook by Francis Durrbridge.  
 July 15-26, French Without Tears by Terrence Rattigan.  
 July 29-August 9, The Mixed Forest by Ian Taylor.  
 August 12-30, The Hollow by Agatha Christie.

**NEPTUNE THEATRE** (709 7844)  
 May 13-16, Polka Childrens Theatre. A professional production of two pieces written and directed by Richard Gill. Panda and the Mandarin (10am) an adventure for children of 5 to 9. The Feast of Lanterns (2pm) a Chinese carnival for everyone over 8.  
 May 19-24, Maghull Amateur Operatic Society in The New Moon by Sigmund Romberg.  
 June 4-7, Neptune Theatre Company in Mother Courage by Bertolt Brecht.

**FOLK JAZZ**

**REGULAR EVENTS:**

**MONDAYS**  
 Spinners Club, Gregson's Well, Brunswick Rd., L6 (263 1034)  
 Irish Centre, Mt. Pleasant. First Mon. of every month, Comhalts Ceoltoiri Eireann.  
 St. George's Social Centre, Maghull. Old Rope.  
 Cross Keys, Bixteth Street, 8pm.  
 Jacqui & Bridie Folk Song Club.  
 Star & Garter, St. John's Precinct, 9pm C&W, The Toledos.  
 Banyan Tree, Adelphi Hotel  
 Modern Jazz every Monday.

**TUESDAYS**  
 Star & Garter, C&W, Free and Easy. Coffee House, opp. Abbey Cinema, Wavertree. Blue Magnolia Jazz Band.  
 Adrian House Folk Club, KSC Club, Sandringham Drive, Aigburth (727 4582).

Banyan Tree, Adelphi Hotel, Mal Murphy's New Orleans Revival Band.  
 The Gazebo, Duke Street, L1.  
 Live poetry & folk platform. Third tuesday every month. enq. Jim Blackburne, 2 Kintore Drive, Warr'ton.

**WEDNESDAYS**  
 Old Fort, Prescott Street (by dental hospital).  
 Liberal Club, Smithdown Rd. Folk. The Sportsman, St. John's Precinct. (709 3757) Merseyside Jazz Band.

**THURSDAYS**  
 Star and Garter, St. John's Precinct. Blue Magnolia Jazz Band.  
 Liverpool Polytechnic, Vaults Folk Club, Commerce Bar, off Tithebarn St. Spareribs Folk Club, Le Metro Club, 17 Sweeting Street (236 0263)  
 Ferry Folk Club, Great Eastern Hotel, New Ferry Rd., New Ferry (645 3282).

**FRIDAYS**  
 Atlantic House, Hardman St. L1 (709 2743) Folk.  
 Banqueting Suite, 2 Mount Pleasant, L3 (next to Wimpy Bar) Folk Club, every Friday, 8pm

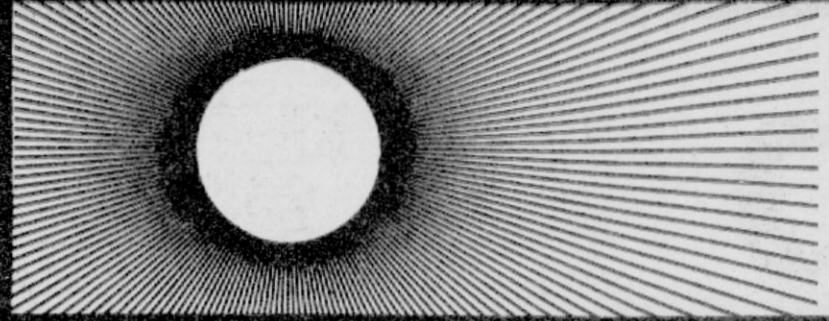
**SATURDAYS**  
 Garret Club, Mitre Hotel, Dale St., L2 Folk & Blues - John Pearson and Festival.  
 Victoria Hotel, Waterloo Road, (Dock Road) Oily Jones, 8.30pm

**SUNDAYS**  
 2 plus 1 Folk Centre, Centre Hotel, Lord Nelson Street, L3 (709 7050)  
 Hainaut Folk Club, Mons Hotel, Breeze Hill, Bootle (922 5487)  
 Blundell Arms Hotel, Southport Road, Birkdale, 8pm, Bothy (Folk)  
 New Court Bar, Sir Thomas Street, L2 8pm, resident jazz band.

To keep this list up to date, please write and inform us of your folk and jazz events.

**POP, ROCK etc.**

**STADIUM** (236 6316)  
 May 17, The Neutrons/Curlie/Socrates  
 May 24, Nutz/Snafu/Shanghai  
 May 31, Stack Ridge/Zebra  
 June 7, Be Bop de Luxe/Hussler/Skyfall  
 June 14, Sassafras/Wally/Supercharge  
 June 21, The Jess Roden Band/Jack the Lad/Silk  
 June 28, Ronnie Lane's Slim Chance/UPP



**INFORMER**

**Turn the Chief Constable into Father Christmas....**

**THE LAW** isn't the best weapon to use against the authorities. They made it, after all.

But here's a bit of legal mischief put our way by a friendly lawyer.

Maybe tenants' groups or enterprising individuals can put it to good use.

It looks like a way of getting compensation for damage in your area without doing anybody any harm. Because the compensation is paid by... the police.

The law that changes the Chief Constable into Father Christmas is the Riot (Damages) Act of 1886.

At that time the government were worried about the police not doing their job properly. (Nowadays other people are worried.)

What the Act says is this: If somebody's house or property is damaged or stolen in a riot "compensation... shall be paid out



of the police rate of such district to any person who has sustained loss."

A "riot" means at least three people acting together, using force and frightening people. Sounds nasty.

But think about it. A few un-

identified kids doing what comes naturally on rotten housing estates... a bit of damage... swear blind you were terrified... and the Chief Con coughs up.

As always, there's a slight catch. The 1886 Act says claims must be made to the police, who will investigate and "fix such compensation as appears to them just."

But don't worry. The Act also says you can take them to court if you're not satisfied what they say is "just".

The Act has apparently been used in cases of damage outside football grounds. But there are wider possibilities.

There are many places in Liverpool where houses have been damaged - usually because they're not fit to live in.

But while you have to live there you might as well try and make the authorities pay for it.

**WOMEN'S LIBERATION**

MERSEYSIDE WOMEN'S CENTRE, 49 Seel Street, Liverpool 1. (709 4141)

All meetings listed below are held at the Centre. For further information on any of them, please ring 709 4141.

Regular meetings:  
 Saturdays 10am-4pm for free pregnancy testing, information on contraception and abortion, information on women's rights, coffee and people to talk to.

Wednesdays 2pm-4pm, Get-together for women with young kids who can't normally get out at evenings. Kids welcome.

Tuesdays 8pm, Lesbian Collective meeting.

Sundays 7.30pm (Not at the Centre but at Stanley House, Upper Parliament St.) Women's Self-defence course.

Special events:  
 May 14, 8pm. Women's Abortion and Contraception Campaign meeting to plan further action against White's amendment bill.

May 19. Meeting about proposed women's arts festival to be held around Christmas time. Anyone interested welcome.  
 June 21. National Day of Action on abortion. Demonstration in London. Coaches available. Ring Centre.

MERSEYSIDE C.P. Key issues for Socialists today: A five-session weekly course of lecture/discussions with a team of speakers from the CP's north-west district. All at 7.45 p.m. Leo McGree Centre, 39 Shaw Street, Liverpool 6. Registration fee 50p payable at door. All welcome.  
 Mon June 9: The State in Advanced Capitalist Societies.  
 Mon June 16: Economic Militancy and Revolutionary Politics.  
 Mon June 23: Ultra-leftism.  
 Mon June 30: Women's Liberation and the Struggle for Socialism.  
 Mon July 7: Class Structure, Class Alliance and the British Revolution.

TWO ADULTS and four children seek others to set up shared home. Contact Dave or Sue, 26 Rufford Road, L'pool 6.

MERSEYSIDE PEOPLES YELLOW PAGES is now available. Lists political and community groups/workshops/help & information places etc. Free. Call at or send S.A.E. to News From Nowhere, 48 Manchester Street, Liverpool 1.

GRANBY RESOURCES 1a Beaconsfield Street, Liverpool 8. Facilities offered: Silk Screen printing, darkroom, duplicating and typing. Open Mon-Fri 10am to 3pm. Wed. evenings 6-8pm. These are community resources available to any individual or organisation. Charges are made only for materials. Enquiries ring 728 7262.

STRUGGLE, monthly agitational paper, and Marxist-Leninist Quarterly, theoretical journal of the Communist Federation of Britain (M-L). Copies available from 54 Alderfield Drive, L 24.

THE WORKER, fortnightly paper of the CPBML. From October Books, 99 Mount Pleasant, Liverpool.

SOLIDARITY, journal of the London Solidarity group. From News From Nowhere, 48 Manchester St. L1.

CHECK! Rights centre is at 73 Canning Street, Liverpool 8. Tel: 708 9665.

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR CIVIL LIBERTIES. Membership and enquiries to Mary Marshall, 12 Devonshire Rd. Liverpool 8. (728 7849). Regular meetings to discuss projects, third Tuesday of each month, 7.30pm, 73 Canning St. Liverpool 8. All Welcome. Legal advice every Thursday 7-9pm. 73 Canning St.

SECOND-HAND socialist books and Left Book Club editions for sale. List available for s.a.e. from 4b Ivanhoe Rd., Liverpool 17. Also, out of print books bought. Phone 051-727 5285.

FRIEND MERSEYSIDE (708 9552) Telephone advisory and befriending service for homosexuals. 7-10pm every evening.

S.H.A.R.P. The Single Homeless Accommodation Project is at the old Rembrandt Club, 12-16 Slater Street, L1. If you have problems related to accommodation call, or phone 708 0222.

ANARCHISM LANCASTRUM. For anarchists in the North West. When you're weary of leaders, governments, committees, parties... AL, 16 Kingsmill Avenue, Whalley, Lancs. 8p.

OPEN MIND is the well-known (a bit anyway) warehouse/workshops run collectively by skilled and unskilled people trying to make a living for themselves under their own control. We are now a hard core of 14 people and with only furniture, electronics, screen printing and dressmaking in production the overheads are unmanageable. We've now mended the roof and have eight bays available. We desperately need skilled people who feel they can work in a cooperative set-up.

OPEN EAR, the not so well-known info service also needs two more pretty full-time workers particularly for publications work and general fund raising. Apart from this the warehouse has other facilities. We've got space for groups/bands to practice, and a dark room. We also run the Open Gob food coop - new members always welcome. And we put on free festivals with a traditional flavour (when they're not arranged for the wettest day in 8 months like Mayday was) Contact Open Mind, 39-41 Manesty's Lane, Liverpool 1. 709 0264.

NORTH WEST CLAP FEDERATION CLAP is a scheme that raises money for projects and ideas that are too peculiar and/or imaginative to get money from normal sources. All the projects listed are non-profit making and pay workers no more than social security rates, if anything at all. You contribute by selecting the project(s) you like most and sending money or materials direct. There is no central body involved.

Claptrap 1 is now out and lists 24 such groups from the N.W. It also has articles on Open Mind and the Scotland Road Peoples Centre. We hope it will develop into more of a communications publication than a mere catalogue. We desperately need donors so all you well-off people who pay lip service to the need for social change take note (!). Projects who want to apply should get in touch by May 23rd. Further details and Claptrap 1 (free) contact Open Ear 39-41 Manesty's Lane, Liverpool 1 051-709 0264/708 7174.

Notices and Small Ads. for this page should be sent to: 'Informer', News From Nowhere, 48 Manchester Street, L'Pool 1. 227 2514

**FILMS**

OPEN EYE FILM SOCIETY  
 The Banqueting Suite, 2 Mount Pleasant (next door to Wimpy Bar) Showings every Thursday (8pm) and Friday (11pm). Late night bar. Membership £1, admission 40p.  
 May 15/16, End of the Road, Avakian's brilliant comedy.  
 May 22/23, Themroc, Faraldo's notorious, anarchistic comedy.  
 May 29/30, The Double Headed Eagle, Becker's 1973 documentary on Hitler.  
 June 5/6, Lonesome Cowboys, Warhol's skit on the Western.  
 June 12/13, Vladimir and Rosa, A rarely seen Godard/Gorin film.  
 June 19/20, Chelsea Girls, Warhol's best known film. Also Bob Godfrey's The Rise and Fall of Emily Sprod.  
 June 26/27, The Other Side of Underneath, Jane Arden's horrifying film about a girl's madness.  
 July 3/4, Black Holiday, Marco Leto's highly acclaimed film about political life in Italy in the 1930s.  
 July 10/11, Janice, A recent, important and already neglected Strick film.  
 With Moon 69 by Scott Bartlett.  
 July 17/18, To be announced.  
 July 24/25, Law and Order, A Wiseman film on the Kansas City Police.  
 July 31/August 1, Adult Fun, James Scott's political/fantasy film. With Off On.

**INVESTIGATORS' HANDBOOK**

A guide for tenants, workers and action groups on how to investigate companies, organisations and individuals. Details hundreds of sources of information and explains where to find it. How to use it. Only 30p (inc. postage) from Community Action, PO Box 665, London SW1 8DZ.

SPEKE TRADE UNION DEFENCE COMMITTEE started recently to unite factories and the community to fight the threat of redundancies, lay-offs and short-time working.

Any shop stewards, trade union branch and factory delegates welcome to attend, especially if they work on the Speke/Garston Industrial Estate. The next meeting is on June 15, 11 a.m. at the Dove and Olive Hotel, Hale Road, Speke.

KIRKBY AND DISTRICT TRADE UNION DEFENCE COMMITTEE has the same aims as the Speke committee... to fight redundancies etc in an area where unemployment is already 20%. Delegates please attend next full meeting on June 8, 11.30 a.m. at the Kirkby Labour Club.

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH (Merseyside) meet every Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the McAusland Lounge of Liverpool University Students' Union. Contact 5 Percy Street, Liverpool 8 (709 0358) for more details.

RADIO CAROLINE INTERNATIONAL on 259 metres Medium Wave, would like you to support them by going along to their Roadshow dance nights: Every Monday at the Dove & Olive, Speke and Park Hotel, Netherton. Tuesdays and Fridays at the Fleece Hotel, St. Helens and each Saturday at the Parkgate Hotel, Parkgate, Wirral.

NORTH WEST LABOUR HISTORY GROUP c/o 79 Errol Street, L17. 'Trades Councils 1880-1900' to be held in Manchester in the autumn. Ring 727 3422 for details.

MERSEYSIDE INTERNATIONAL SOCIALISTS public meeting on the Common Market. Speaker, Duncan Hallas. 22nd May, AUEW Hall, Mt. Pleasant, 7.30pm

ARUNDEL ANTI-COMMON MARKET GROUP public meeting: Say No to the Common Market. Dr. Cyril Taylor (Labour councillor) and Phil Leeson (Communist Party economist) on Tuesday May 20th at 8pm, Friends Meeting House, Arundel Avenue (Smithdown Rd. end) Liverpool 17.

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS YEAR RALLY hear Judith Hunt (national womens organiser TASS/AUEW), Dr. Sheila Abdullah (national abortion campaign) and other speakers. Exhibition. Street theatre. Saturday June 28th at 2pm. Royal Institute, Colquitt Street, Liverpool 1. Creche available. Organised by Merseyside Communist Party Women's Group.

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS YEAR NATIONAL DEMONSTRATION called by the TUC for Sunday May 25th. Coaches from Liverpool leave Royal Court 7.30 am. (£2 approx.) Send to Christina Griffiths, 257 Windlehall Dr. St. Helens. Creche available. For further details phone 734 0194.

KEEP FRANK & RICK OUT OF NICK Two Liverpool people are charged with 14 others with conspiracy in connection with leafletting soldiers. Help needed with leaflets, street theatre, video etc. Contact 48 Manchester St. (Box 1934)

FOOD FOR ALL, whole food store. Retail and bulk natural foods. Open 10.30-5.30 Aunt Twacky's Bazaar, 18 Matthew Street, Liverpool 2.

BIG FLAME, Merseyside revolutionary socialist newspaper. Articles of local, national and international interest. 66 Logan Towers, Liverpool 5 or any good bookshop.

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