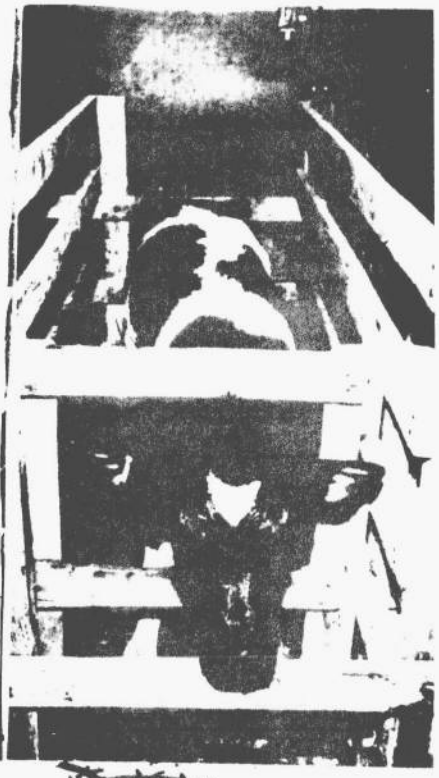
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INTRODUCTION - THE LONG ROAD

A look back at the Animal Liberation Movement over the past few years in comparison to what it has become today will show you that we now have an effective force of thousands working towards a common aim. No longer treated as fringe lunatics but as a serious force. Recent action at I.C.I. and BIBRA/MRC will show what we are fighting against. We are not up against a handful of whitecoated scientists who spend all day behind closed doors then go home at five O' clock. The target we are up against is big business, whose profits rely on continued animal abuse, massive industries such as I.C.I. who are on 24 hour alert, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year, in case of a raid. It is high time that the major movements joined forces to direct the mass of strength at those enormous industries which do so much towards vivisection etc, about which few people have factual knowledge. By careful research into public libraries we can gain sufficient information to hit them, and the best place to hit them is where it hurts, in their pockets.

N.A.L.L. OFFICE



The N.A.L.L. office has now been open for almost 3 months, the 'opening hours' being from 10.0 a.m. to 5.0 p.m., Monday to Saturday. The function of the office is essentially the day to day administration of the N.A.L.L. and members are strongly advised to keep in close contact with the office for future events, information, gossip etc. The office also has posters, badges, t-shirts, sweatshirts, magazines and Beauty Without Cruelty make-up on sale; we also have a variety of leaflets, large posters and display placards which are available for the use of local groups' information stalls. We do, however, need the continued support of N.A.L.L. members in the running of the office as it is operated on a purely voluntary basis. Anyone interested, please contact the office on 061-236-0544.

DIARY

SAT 26th FEB	Seal Rally
THUR 3rd MARCH	National hit on Waterloo cup Medical Practicioners Debate
MON 7th MARCH	Small Fur Demo to mark the return of placards from the Police
WED 9th MARCH	Bolton Council Ban Bloodsports on Council Land
SAT 12th MARCH	Joint hit on Badsworth Hunt
SAT 19th MARCH	Violence from Cheshire Beagles - but this is nothing new
MON 21st MARCH	First N.A.L.L. meeting at County Hall
SAT 26th MARCH	Holcombe Hunt, the last meet finished sooner than they intended
WED 30th MARCH	Demo against Finigans of Wilmslow
SAT 23rd APRIL	I.C.I
SUN 24th APRIL	World Day For Laboratory Animals
WED 4th MAY	Meeting County Hall
SAT 7th MAY	Mink Hunt Sab followed by a surprise visit to Toxicol
MON 9th MAY	Animals Film well attended at the University
FRI 13th MAY	Visit of Jean Pink to NALL office
SAT 14th MAY	Macclesfield Factory Farm demo
SAT 21st MAY	Sheffield Demo

FUR DEMO'S

'THE RETURN OF THE PLACARDS'

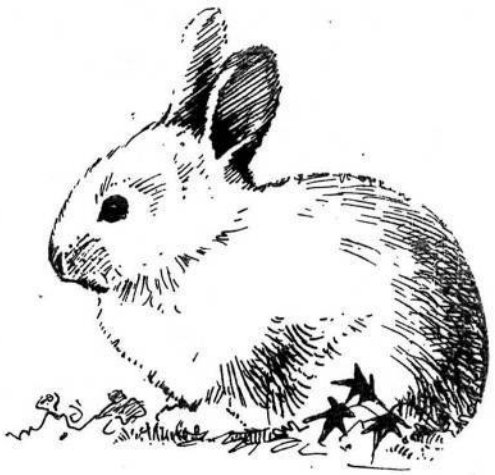
On the 7th of March about 15 N.A.L.L. members arrived at Bootle Street Police station in order to reclaim the placards which had been confisticated after the Kendal's Fur Demo last November. In order to celebrate the return of our long lost placards a token demonstration occured outside the King Street fur shops took place where anti-fur trade leaflets were handed out as we marched up and down King Street. The police, however, appeared fairly quickly and asked us to leave claiming that we were 'upsetting' every fur shop in Manchester !

FINNEGAN'S FUR DEMO

On the 30th of March the Macclesfield branch arranged a demo at Finnegan's department store in Wilmslow to coincide with a fashion show being held at the Rex Theatre a few doors away. The show included 'celebrities' such as Miss World and Stuart Hall and was to have contained a fur section, however, the organizers decided to withdraw this due to the demonstration outside the theatre.

About 60 demonstrators turned up and a fur coat was burned while the usual anti-fur trade slogans were chanted and leaflets were given out to the people standing in the queue waiting to go into the show. The press coverage was excellent with the 'Daily Mail','Express, 'Manchester Evening News,'Macclesfield Express' and'Wilmslow World' giving reports together with an interview on Piccadilly Radio

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OPERATION

I.C.I. OCCUPIED

I.C.I., Central Toxicology Laboratories (Government funded) Macclesfield is one of Britain's largest research establishments and has in the past 5 years been ignored totally by the Anti-Vivisection movement. A major breakthrough for our case against animal experiments was the liberating of 2 smoking beagles in 1978 from the laboratories at I.C.I. Public sympathy was evoked and all smoking experiments on dogs were immediately banned.

The time has now come for us to launch an unrelenting attack on I.C.I. where some of the most horrendous experiments are being carried out AT THIS VERY MOMENT!

ICI Central Toxicology Laboratory

It was decided by the Macclesfield branch of the N.A.L.L. that our attack should be launched on Saturday 23rd April (WORLD WEEKEND). A march was organised and with only one week's notice the response was amazing. Nearly one hundred supporters met at Macclesfield train station, people from Sheffield, Liverpool, Manchesterplus 40 locals, some dressed as vivisectors, started under heavy clouds, to walk through the centre of Macclesfield. The likes of this demo had never been seen by the public in Macclesfield and everything stopped as we marched, leafletting through the town centre screaming our message to everyone. With our own police escort we headed into the countryside. 5 miles and 3 hours later we were outside the gates of I.C.I. Our effigy of a vivisector was burned and several smoke bombs hurled into the grounds of I.C.I. The guards were incredibly lax and the urge to jump the walls was not overcome. At first only about 20 people

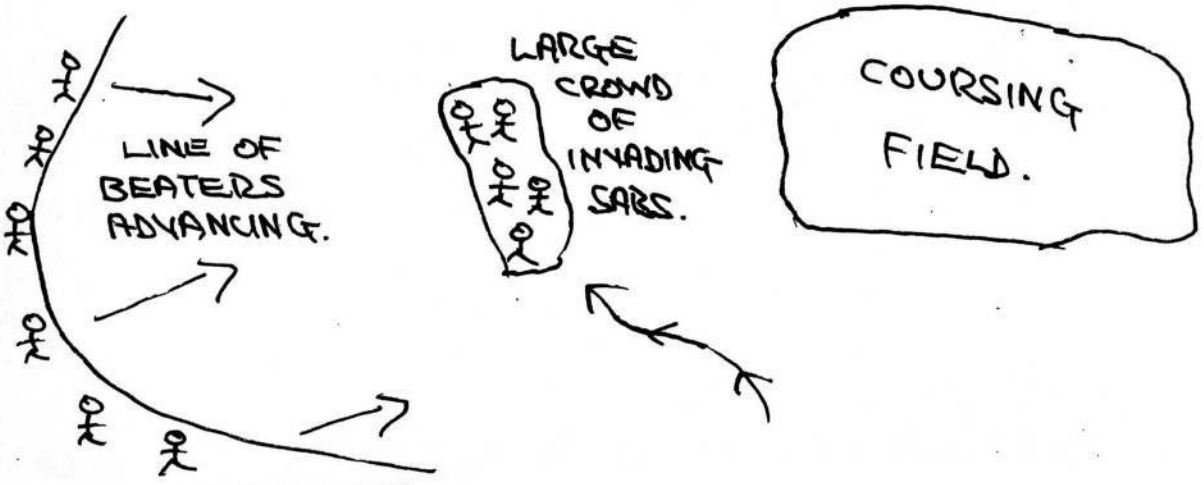
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went over the wall, to our great surprise neither the police nor the security did anything at all, so practically every demonstrator leapt over the wall. Buildings were scaled and rooftop occupations started and would not be stopped by the promise of a researcher coming to talk to us. I.C.I. and special branch started their cameras rolling, so everybody on that demo is now on a video owned by I.C.I. (not available from your local main stockist) Photographs were also taken by demonstrators themselves of animals (10,000 beagles in holding areas, horses, sheep, chickens and rats) and of I.C.I. buildings and layout. After 1½ hours of marching and running riot inside the complex with absolutely no police harassment (except one building where a policeman with a dog guarded the door, this we later found out to be the Central Toxicology Laboratoryitself) we were politely asked would we mind very much leaving the site. We peacefully left. WE WILL RETURN!!



INCREASED "ANTI" ACTIVITY MARKS END OF HUNTING SEASON – HARE-COURSING EVENT PARALYSED BY ACTIVISTS

As reported in all the national papers, about 400 animal activists launched a surprise assault on the Waterloo Cup hare-coursing event. The advertised protest march was cancelled in favour of a mass invasion of the fields from which coursing 'beaters' planned to drive hares towards the coursing area. This action stopped virtually all coursing on that day - although the coursing organisers had actually started the day before, to get ahead. The N.A.L.L./University group sent 40 sabs that day. This tactic of occupying the fields to be beaten is now considered to be the most effective way of sabotaging hare-coursing. See diagram !



Some weeks later, in a disgraceful display of hooliganism, supporters of the Royal Rock and Cheshire Beagles attacked saboteurs from Manchester, Liverpool, Bangor and huddersfield - though only when their victims were temporarily separated from the main sab. group. One Liverpool activist received a triple-fracture of the jaw; others were kicked in the head and mouth. The well-known hypocritical bore Terence Harvey joint master of the Royal Rock Beagles, usually noted for his speeches upholding the rule of law, had nothing to say to the victims of violence on this occasion. Readers may recall that he was quoted in the 'Daily Post' last January as saying "the saboteurs seem to think they are above the law". For this action, the Royal Rock and Cheshire Beagles are N.A.L.L.'s number one target for next season.

In contrast, a hit on the Badsworth Foxhunts last meet passed off without violence - possibly because there were over sixty sabs present. Similarly, the Holcombe Harriers last meet was not quite so enjoyable for bloodsports fanatics due to certain elements - about thirty or so, all with sprays and horns.

HUNT SABOTEURS ASSOC. TACTICS MEETING - BIRMINGHAM, 30TH APRIL/1 MAY

Five sabs from N.A.L.L. and the University group attended this excellent meeting, where well-known veterans of the H.S.A. proposed a wide range of new tactics for sabotaging bloodsports. Particularly useful were sessions on hare-hunting, and also on pre-beating (of fox-coverts near hunt-meets) and the laying of false trails.

The new H.S.A. Tactics Booklet will be out soon. N.A.L.L. will provide copies for all those wishing to come out next season (and for other interested parties, except B.F.S.S. spies) - READ IT, AND BE PREPARED

JEAN PINK VISITS N.A.L.L. OFFICE

On Friday 13th May, Jean Pink, Founder and National organiser of Animal Aid visited the N.A.L.L. office. On arrival in Piccadilly rail station awaiting her were 2 Nallers and by chance, or more likely fate, Manchester's infamous vivisectionist, Dr. Kuldwkowski of the optics department, U.M.I.S.T - (this was the animal torturer we sold 17 cats to over the phone and'arrested' in Stockport whilst he was out shopping). Dr. K was very annoyed and embarrassed when we introduced him to Mrs Pink but since he has so much to hide he could hardly summon a copper and have us arrested.

Relations between the N.A.L.L. and Animal Aid over the last few years have involved some misunderstanding which we think we have resolved after a few hours of very productive talks with Jean Pink. We have always recognized that Animal Aid has done an enormous amount to get the anti-vivisection movement on the streets of this country and let the public know by marches and mass leafletting what we are struggling for. We have always believed that each individual and organization has a role to play in the struggle for animal liberation.

After talking to Jean Pink we found that N.A.L.L. and Animal Aid have very similar approaches to methods of organization and that much of our work overlapped. However, it was agreed that whereas the N.A.L.L. is committed to militant direct action, this is not possible for Animal Aid. Does this mean that we do not accept the work of Animal Aid ? Certainly not, we know that it is disatrous in the long term to force people into militant action - only with a responsible approach to people's capabilities and readiness for direct action will we succeed in maintaining the growing numbers who join the Animal Liberation movement and be effective organizations. The N.A.L.L. operates in a responsible, above board and sincere way towards not only its own members but to its fellow organizations. So we think it is important that when Animal Aid organise a march we do nothing to undermine the plans of the organisers. In fact the N.A.L.L. has never forced a situation on a march, merely responded to the demands of a large number of marchers for militant action with some degree of approval from the organisers (see Porton Down Invasion 1982)

Finally both Animal Aid and N.A.L.L. agreed that regional and local action should become more important than national demos and rallies. This regional action should involve co-operation between different independant

groups and that there should be no attempts by one group to control another for its own interests. Jean Pink's visit to the N.A.L.L. office proved conclusively that there should be more open and formal discussions between all the groups fighting for the same mutual goal of Animal Liberation. We would like in conclusion to thank her for making the effort to come and talk to us.



DEVON EGGS DEMO



OPERATION

On Saturday 14th May, 35 members and supporters of the N.A.L.L. met at Adlington rail station for a demonstration against Devon Eggs Battery Hen Farm. The intention was to occupy the site with a small support demonstration outside the farm.

In the opening minutes of the demonstration two cars collided across the road from the plant as the drivers watched the demonstration. As we entered the plant a decision was taken to try and rescue a few of the 10,000 birds as a token gesture and for publicity reasons. As a result of this, however, 4 people were arrested including a vicar ! The 4 were charged with Breach of the Peace, Obstruction and two with the theft of the birds.

After about two hours the demonstration ended, but not before a few assaults on our members by a farmer and the police. The police presence was unbelievably strong with about 7 panda cars and the usual 'meat waggon'. One of the people arrested also spent 11 hours in the cells during which time no food or drink was even offered, while another was beaten up in the cells !

There was, however, good press coverage(the front page of the Manchester Evening News) and also an interview with Radio Piccadilly.

A defence fund has been set up for the 4 arrested and donations should be sent to:

39 Steeple Street, Macclesfield, Cheshire

or to the N.A.L.L. office.

World Day for Laboratory Animals 24th April

THE MARCH TO BIBRA/MRC

Organised by the B.U.A.V. approx 7,000 demonstrators from various parts of the country took part in a 10 mile march from Clapham Common to B.I.B.R.A. laboratories(British Industrial Biological Research Association) in Carshalton, Surrey. All along the route police showed a very heavy presence and intimidating tactics in the form of slowing up the march to the effect that we progressed at a pace of approx. 2 miles an hour. Consequently, arriving in the late afternoon and very footsore, it being a very warm day the demonstraters zeal for the occasion had considerably dwindled.

We arrived at the site to face even stronger and harsher police presence with a helicopter looming overhead alternating between the march and the labs,which vivisect animals for clients in cosmetic, tobacco and drug companies,made an ominous sight. Three rows of 3 foot high iron barriers had been erected, with one completely blocking off one side of the road. In between the metal fences stood a line of police waiting in the grounds of both the Medical Research Centre and B.I.B.R.A laboratories which stand alongside one another. Police on horseback with battons and a compound erected in the site for potential arrestees impressed upon us just how far the state was going this time to protect the torturing scientific community. In all,on the day, police numbers totalled up to 2,000.

Consequently when the inevitable release of anger came in the form of a desperate charge on the barriers by a small minority of demonstrators, 28 of them were savagely attacked and hauled into police vans. Smoke bombs



were thrown in the resulting melee. Newspaper reports the following day depicted police brutality - a girl with blood streaming down her face pointing an accusing finger at the "upholders" of "law" and "order" - or as we see it the guardians of cruelty and profit.

4 Nallers were arrested on Breach of the Peace and Obstruction charges to appear separately in the next few months. The day showed that national marches now afford no real opportunity for effective militant action due to the new build-up in police resistance to animal liberationists.

It may be of interest to note that the Director of B.I.B.R.A., Dr. D.M. Conning worked until 1978 at I.C.I., Alderley Edge and left just before the exposure of the smoking beagles. He subsequently took scientific refuge in B.I.B.R.A. and the N.A.L.L. traces with interest such transfers from one ATC to another.

We have set up a Carshalton 4 Defence Fund and any donations should be sent c/o the N.A.L.L. office. [2 OF THE 4 REFUSED LEGAL AID]

PICCADILLY MARATHON

On the 29th of May Mr R.H.B. Griffiths of Stoke-on-Trent will be running 26 miles around Manchester in the Radio Piccadilly Marathon with all money raised going to the N.A.L.L. We would like as many people as possibleto sponsor him, as the N.A.L.L. can certainly put the money to good use. Any vocal support on the day would also be welcome.

Please contact the N.A.L.L. office with any sponsor money/donations.

Sea Shepherd Conservation Ltd.

ORKNEY SEALS 1983

Since 1962 the Scottish office has issued licences for the killing of seals in the Orkneys and Western Islands, with 2,000 Atlantic Grey seals being shot using .22 rifles each year. Their pelts supply the international fur trade while their carcuses are dumped in the sea, the flesh being washed onto adjacent islands as rotting flesh. Seals and fish have coexisted without interference for thousands of years, however factory fishing takes 50-80% of the available fish stock while the ecology of the seas is further affected by the dumping of industrial and radioactive waste, sewrage and oil spillage

The marine mammal protection group "Sea Shepherd" has co-ordinated direct action in an attempt to stop the slaughter for the last 3 years and are now in a position to stop the cull once and for all by the use of large scale actions involving the greatest number of people. The N.A.L.L. intends to support the campaign and our contribution will be to provide a group of campaigners for the first 2 weeks in November. This will cost in excess of £150 per person to be equipped and transported to the Orkneys and we would like a group of 50. The islands and waters of Orkney are inhospitable and

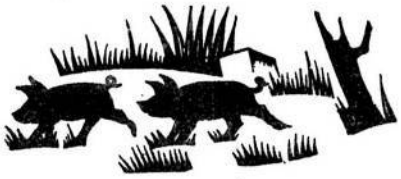
THE GREY SEAL
—NO COMPROMISE—

we will require wet suits, force ten tents, 4 seasons sleeping bags, space blankets, life jackets and additional survival equipment. We cannot afford to buy this equipment and so are looking for hire, loan or even gifts if anyone knows of sources of equipment they should investigate now and let us know. We also need local groups to organise fund raising, jumble sales, coffee mornings and pub collections etc. (official collecting cards will be available from the N.A.L.L. office) The plan this year is to land campaigners onto the seal colonies in sufficient numbers to outmanouvre both the sealers and the police who protect their right to shoot seals. Local animal rights groups throughout Britain are being asked to mobilise support and there are about 6 locations where the colonies can be protected by Save the Seal camps, these camps will be rotated so that no group of people spends more than 4/5 days on the islands but the islands will be continuously

protected. It is possible that there will be one or more women's camps, this will depend on how many women would prefer to campaign in this way.

A campaign account has been set up and cheques/P.O.'s can be addressed to "Orkney Seal Campaign", c/o N.A.L.L. office, 8-10 Great Ancoats St, Manchester 4.

If anyone is interested in any further information on the Orkneys campaign, please contact the N.A.L.L. office.



ANIMAL LIBERATION



THE ELECTION GAME

If I support Animal Liberation who should I vote for? Since none of the parties stand for anything like Animal Liberation then the answer would be - 'Don't Bother !' However, because of the widespread concern and anger about factory farming, vivisection, hunts and the fur trade, political parties have been forced to put animal rights in their manifestos to grab potential votes.

THE LABOUR PARTY - says it will ban hunting with hounds and probably will, but at the same time will subsidise angling clubs. On factory farming the shadow minister of agriculture, Mr Norman Buchan wrote to the N.A.L.L. stating that 'A future Labour Government will ban battery farming and similar inhumane farming methods' (Sep 14th 1982) It is easy enough to issue a statement like this but a complete ban on factory farming is one issue the National Farmers Union would be up in arms about. Do we really think that the Labour Party has treated the subject seriously enough to introduce strong legislation - write to your local candidate and ask him/her. On vivisection some M.P.'s and Ministers support our struggle but as it stands the Labour Party has no plans to introduce laws to effectively reduce or halt the suffering 5 million animals in U.K. labs every year.

THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY - Has absolutely no plans on hunting or shooting bans. On factory farming they did absolutely nothing in the last 4 years to reduce the misery of millions of hens, turkeys, veal calves, pigs, rabbits etc. They claim that they have to abide by E.E.C. regulations and so cannot increase even the floor space of battery chickens. On vivisection they

have just introduced a white paper which claims to tighten up the licence system and update the 1876 Act. What we have seen of this white paper is that it will not significantly improve the conditions of vivisected animals. On the contrary it explicitly condones the barbaric LD 50 test which even the scientists think is inaccurate and unnecessary. On the seal slaughter ask your tory candidate what he is doing about the annual Orkney seal murder.

Remember the Police Bill which the tories intend to introduce in the next Parliament will make life for Nallers even more difficult than it is today.

S.D.P/LIB - (probably a wasted vote) Intend to set up an Animal Rights Council The Liberals have always been more pro-animals than the S.D.P. However, a vote for them might not result in a unified policy of S.D.P. /Liberals on Animal Rights.

Finally all Nallers should go to political meetings and put questions on Animal Liberation. Remember the majority of the population the electorate are opposed to factory farming. 80% against hunting with hounds and similar numbers against LD 50. Please contact your local candidate and let him/her know your views.

N.A.L.L. SUBSCRIPTIONS

The membership of the N.A.L.L. in Manchester alone is now over 200, we do, however, need everyone who receives newsletters or supports N.A.L.L. actively to join us as members.. The fee is only £2.00 per annum or £1.00 for the unemployed and school age. This money contributes towards the printing and sending out of this newsletter. Subscriptions should be sent to:

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PENINE ANIMAL LIBERATION LEAGUE

Much of the activities over the past few weeks have centred on the anti-vivisection demo's at Carshalton in April and the Sheffield and Liverpoo demo's in May.

Every weekend members have been out in Halifax, and the surrounding districts leafleting, petitioning etc. to stir the members of the public on vivisection and have had articles in the local press to cover local events. Leading up to the election campaign we have sent out questionnaires to all prospective candidates in the area to assent their views on animal abuse and we intend to publish the results in the local press, leaflet on the answers and generally make ourselves known at the local party meetings.

Fund raising activities have included several stalls, a sponsered walk and sponsered spin (of wool !) in the window of a local health shop.

Finally Junior Pal have been active, forming a local branch of Pet Watch and monitoring local adverts involving pets and have organised a painting competition through the local paper, open to all of school age, and a prize will be given for the best poster designs in the subjects of pets and pet stealing. Our Halifax members have formed themselves into Halifax Animal Liberation and by the next newsletter we hope to have a Burnley group operating under their own steam.

OLDHAM STALL

For the last six weeks David Withers, a record dealer has very kindly given the use of half of his stall at Oldham market to the N.A.L.L. On the stall T-shirts and badges are sold and a high number of leaflets are distributed each week with the response from the public being excellent. If you are in the Oldham area on Wednesdays go along for a chat.

FUTURE EVENTS

SAT 28th MAY	Liverpool Demo — MOVE OFF 12 NOON WILLIAM BRAIN ST. nr. LIME ST, RAIL STATION.
SUN 29th MAY	Manchester Marathon
SAT 4th JUNE	Stall Longsight shopping Precinct 10 Am.
	Free Showing of Animals Film at the Tameside theatre Ashton-under-Lyne 2 Pm. — Be there.
MON 6th JUNE	Meeting County Hall, Piccadilly, Manchester, 7.30p.m.
JUNE 11th-18th	Battery Egg Week
Sat 18th June	March in Wakefield to Goldenlay
THUR 23rd JUNE	Anti-fur demo, Savoy hotel, London 6.30 Pm.
SAT 9th JULY	Vigil outside Toxicol labs, Ledbury
SAT 23rd JULY	N.A.V.S march, Kent

SUN JUNE 5th ANIMALS FILM SHOWING AT BULLS HEAD MACCLESFIELD 7PM.



FRIDAY 1st JULY - NALL DISCO, SHAKESPEARE HOTEL, FOUNTAIN ST, MANCHESTER - 7.30pm - 1pm. TICKETS 50P FROM NALL OFFICE OR T.A.L.L.

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